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The following information was requested on 21 October and clarified on 24 October 2025:

[On the 21 October, you requested]

Can you please tell me the current annual insurance premium paid by the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust for inclusion in the CNST scheme? If this is divided into departments I would like to know the amount of the premium for maternity and neonatal care.

I would also be grateful if you could tell me how many birth-related compensation cases are outstanding for birth/maternal injuries at the OUH? We have been told 71 claims involving birth injuries were lodged between 2020 - 2025 and 32 of these have been settled. How many have been dismissed and how many are awaiting agreed settlement?

[We replied on the 23 October with]

Thank you for your email, I would like to clarify what information we will be able to provide.

For the CNST scheme, contributions are made by member trusts and this information is publicly available at http://resolution.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Member-and-Health-Authority-Statistics-2024_25-CC-CHECKED.xlsx. Please refer to the Tab called – ‘Contributions 24-25 Trusts’.

In terms of the second part of your request, we are unsure where this figure has come from: “We have been told 71 claims involving birth injuries were lodged between 2020 - 2025 and 32 of these have been settled.”

Please can you advise where this information was obtained?

We are able to provide you with the Number of Obstetrics Claims received for the named Trust. This information is also publicly available here [Member-and-Health-Authority-Statistics-2024_25-CC-CHECKED.xlsx](http://resolution.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Member-and-Health-Authority-Statistics-2024_25-CC-CHECKED.xlsx) – see the tab called ‘Claims received 24-25 Obstetrics’. There is also a separate tab called ‘Payments made 24-25 Obstetrics’.

We report in complete financial years so we could provide you with the total for the named Trust, the total number of Obstetrics and Neonatology claims received between the financial years 2020/21 – 2024/25.

We can also provide you with the number of Obstetrics and Neonatology claims closed between the financial years 2020/21 – 2024/25 with a damages payment for the named Trust.

We can also provide you with the number of Obstetrics and Neonatology claims closed between the financial years 2020/21 – 2024/25 with a Nil damages payment for the named Trust.

Please let us know if you are interested in this information.

Please refer to our publication: [Guidance-note-Understanding-NHS-Resolution-data-updated](#) and a set of codes against which claims are logged: [CNST-Codes.xlsx \(live.com\)](#) (see the three tabs in the spreadsheet).

Your request will be put on hold until we hear from you.

[You replied on the 24 October with]

Thank you so much for your speedy response. I do appreciate that.

I am sorry but I am afraid I am unable to 'read' the data that I wanted. Are you able to provide that for me please?

Is there access to the five years before 2020? We are trying to find out how many claims are outstanding for the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust maternity and neonatal section. And also how many were dismissed so are not outstanding.

I apologise for my lack of tech ability and hope you can help me.

Our Response

Please find attached the requested information.

NB: We have recently changed the way we report on our FOIs to align better with our published documents. Streamlining our reporting on FOIs with our annual published reports may mean a variation in snapshot dates. This means this data may not align with previous similar requests and it may not be possible for you to compare this information with a previous request. For further information, please refer to [Guidance-note-Understanding-NHS-Resolution-data-updated](#)

For this request we have used our Supplementary Annual Statistics (SAS) dataset to ensure the data represent the most up to date information. For further information about our SAS dataset please see [Annual statistics \(including Factsheet 5\) - NHS Resolution](#). Therefore, our response to this request may not align with other publications on our website.

Claims notified/received in any given year will often relate to incidents that have occurred many years prior. Due to the nature of clinical negligence claims and the level of investigation needed to bring them to a resolution, claims received and notified in a specific year may take years to settle and close. **They are not guaranteed to be settled and closed in the same year.** As such, there will be a time gap between incident and claim closure.

The data shows variation in numbers of cases received, closed per year and costs attributed to those claims. This is a reflection of the nature of individual claims received

and resolved by NHS Resolution, which can vary significantly. As such, these fluctuations cannot be interpreted as trends.

Please find attached the following tables:

Table 1: Number of CNST Claims and Incidents received between financial years '2015/16' and '2024/25' where the NHS Trust is 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' and the Specialty is 'Obstetrics' or 'Neonatology'.

Table 2: Number and Cost of CNST Claims Closed (or settled with a periodical payment order) between financial years '2015/16' and '2024/25' with a damages payment, where the NHS Trust is 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' and the Specialty is 'Obstetrics' or 'Neonatology'. The data includes the damages and legal costs paid up until the end of 31/03/2025.

Table 3: Number and Cost of CNST Claims Closed between financial years '2015/16' and '2024/25' with NIL damages paid where the NHS Trust is 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' and the Specialty is 'Obstetrics' or 'Neonatology'.

There were no claims during the financial year 2018/19 that met the above criteria.

Table 4: Number of Open CNST Claims as at the end of financial year '2024/25' where the NHS Trust is 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' and the Specialty is 'Obstetrics' or 'Neonatology'.

Open claims are not yet concluded and may or may not result in an award for damages. (Please note: this relates to open claims, and not incidents)

Table 5: Value of CNST Maternity Contributions for 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' between financial years '2017/18' and '2024/25'.

Please note that contributions made are categorised as CNST maternity contributions and not broken down into Obstetrics and Neonatology Specialties. We are only able to provide the data from 2017/18 as contributions made before then were not broken down by categories.

PPOs – (Periodical Payment Order)

The information disclosed includes damages and legal costs paid up to 31/03/2025.

PPOs are an agreement between the parties, to pay an initial lump sum and regular future payments (PPO damages) related to the injured party's ongoing needs, usually care for life i.e., a percentage of the full value of the claim is paid at the point of settlement (lump sum damages) with the balance paid at regular intervals over subsequent years.

Low Numbers

Please note we have suppressed low figures as we believe that disclosure of information with this level of granularity is exempt under Section 40(2) by virtue of section 40(3A) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, where disclosure to a member of the public would contravene one or more of the data protection principles. The data protection principles are set out in Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulation. We take the view that it would not be fair or lawful (given the sensitive and confidential nature of the information held) to disclose such information, and any disclosure would therefore contravene the first data protection principle.

In some instances, the low numbers of claims (fewer than 5) in each category, the likelihood exists that individuals who are the subject of this information may be identified either from this information alone, or in combination with other available information. In addition to this, as this information is considered to be sensitive personal data (the data subjects' medical condition); NHS Resolution believes it has a greater responsibility to protect those individuals' identities, as disclosure could potentially cause damage and/or distress to those involved. Where we are in the territory of such small numbers in the attached, we have used a '#' symbol in the relevant field.

Further to our obligations to provide advice and assistance, you may find it helpful to review the work of the [Getting It Right First Time team](#) with whom NHS Resolution has been working with to undertake in-depth analysis of our claims data. They have produced a number of [reports](#) from analysing our claims data which has been shared following approval of the confidentiality advisory group to the use of confidential patient information for this purpose.

If you would like to know how data is categorised in our Claims database please see the following link: [Glossary](#)

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are not satisfied with the service that you have received in response to your information request, it is open to you to make a complaint and request a formal review of our decisions. If you choose to do this, you should write to [Joanne Appleby](#), Deputy Data Protection Officer for NHS Resolution, within 28 days of your receipt of this reply. Reviews of decisions made in relation to information requests are carried out by a person who was not involved in the original decision-making about the request.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a review of the decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner will not make a decision unless you have exhausted the local complaints procedure. The address of the Information Commissioner's Office is:

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NB: Number of claims fewer than 5 (and any associated values, within the same row) are masked with a "#" (in accordance with Data Protection guidelines). Accordingly, some total values may also be approximated to prevent masked values to be deduced through reverse calculation.

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Notified	Y
Scheme	CNST

Year of Notification	No. of Claims
2015/16	13
2016/17	15
2017/18	12
2018/19	11
2019/20	6
2020/21	13
2021/22	16
2022/23	19
2023/24	18
2024/25	15
Grand Total	138

Table 2: Number and Cost of CNST Claims Closed (or settled with a periodical payment order) between financial years '2015/16' and '2024/25' with a damages payment, where the NHS Trust is 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' and the Specialty is 'Obstetrics' or 'Neonatology'. The data includes the damages and legal costs paid up until the end of 31/03/2025.

Scheme	CNST
ClaimOutcome	Damages Paid
Closed/Settled	Y

Year of Closure (Or Settlement for PPOs)	No. of Claims	Damages Paid	NHS Legal Costs Paid	Claimant Costs Paid	Total Paid
2015/16	14	4,703,057	446,507	1,693,429	6,842,994
2016/17	9	4,131,411	189,131	988,720	5,309,261
2017/18	16	7,487,114	312,387	1,051,680	8,851,181
2018/19	#	#	#	#	#
2019/20	8	1,746,109	143,559	672,480	2,562,147
2020/21	6	5,146,892	270,637	675,500	6,093,029
2021/22	5	15,969,049	288,278	1,558,000	17,815,327
2022/23	6	8,664,448	136,943	716,900	9,518,292
2023/24	9	6,265,500	245,953	1,557,000	8,068,453
2024/25	13	9,524,915	481,126	1,422,188	11,428,229

Table 3: Number and Cost of CNST Claims Closed between financial years '2015/16' and '2024/25' with NIL damages paid where the NHS Trust is 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' and the Specialty is 'Obstetrics' or 'Neonatology'.

Scheme	CNST
ClaimOutcome	Nil Damages
Closed/Settled	Y

Year of Closure	No. of Claims	NHS Legal Costs Paid	Claimant Costs Paid	Total Paid
2015/16	#	#	#	#
2016/17	#	#	#	#
2017/18	#	#	#	#
2019/20	6	109,804	0	109,804
2020/21	#	#	#	#
2021/22	5	56,583	0	56,583
2022/23	#	#	#	#
2023/24	7	104,511	0	104,511
2024/25	9	59,483	0	59,483
Grand Total	41	411,226	0	411,226



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**Table 4: Number of Open CNST Claims as at the end of financial year
'2024/25' where the NHS Trust is 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS
Foundation Trust' and the Specialty is 'Obstetrics' or 'Neonatology'.**

Scheme	CNST
CurrentStatusFlag	Open

No. of Claims
70

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Table 5: Value of CNST Maternity Contributions for 'Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust' between financial years '2017/18' and '2024/25'.

Year	Contribution
2017/18	14,962,960
2018/19	12,721,225
2019/20	11,148,832
2020/21	12,796,212
2021/22	11,820,624
2022/23	11,303,747
2023/24	13,885,438
2024/25	14,356,864
Grand Total	102,995,902