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The following information was requested on 12 May 2025 and clarified on 14 May 2025:

[On 12 May 2025 you requested]

I hope you are well. Before I submit a Freedom of Information request, I would like to check whether you hold the data I am requesting. Under section 16 of the FOIA, would you be able to advise and assist on whether I would be able to obtain the following information from NHS Resolution?

1. The number of lawsuits brought to NHS trusts related to maternal or birth negligence, from January to December over the last 6 years (2024, 2023, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019)?
- Could this information also be broken down by the individual trusts?

2. The amount spent each year to settle claims brought to trusts related to maternal or birth negligence, from January to December over the last 6 years (2024, 2023, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019)?
- Could this information also be broken down to the individual trusts?

3. The amount spent each year to pay out in damages for claims brought to trusts related to maternal or birth negligence, from January to December over the last 6 years (2024, 2023, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019)?
- Could this information also be broken down to the individual trusts?

4. The amount spent by NHS Resolution on legal costs for claims brought to trusts related to maternal or birth negligence, from January to December over the last 6 years (2024, 2023, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019)?

[On 13 May 2025 we sought clarification]

Thank you for your email. We are able to provide most of the requested information, we only need clarification regarding Q1.

In relation to question 1, please could you clarify if by "lawsuits", you are referring to claims received against NHS Trusts?

Please note, that we can provide the requested information in Financial years.

We look forward to hearing from you.

[On 13 May 2025 you replied]

Thank you very much! Yes, I am referring in question 1 to claims received against NHS trusts. Thank you for noting this ambiguity.

I should submit a formal FOI request tomorrow, thanks again for your help.

[On 14 May 2025 you requested]

I hope you are well. I am requesting information under the Freedom of Information 2000. Please could you provide the following:

1. The number of legal claims brought to NHS trusts related to maternal or birth negligence, from January to December over the last 6 years (2024, 2023, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019)?
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4. The amount spent by NHS Resolution on legal costs for claims brought to trusts related to maternal or birth negligence, from January to December over the last 6 years (2024, 2023, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019)?

Our Response

Please find attached the requested information. Please note we only hold information for England and not for the rest of the UK.

We are able to provide claims data in respect of complete financial years (from 1st April – 31 March). We have provided the information for the financial years 2018/19 – 2023/24 in relation to the specialty: **Obstetrics.**

The data for the financial year 2024/25 is currently unavailable and will be available on request from August 2025.

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 Understanding NHS Resolution data - NHS Resolution.

Due to the way in which data is extracted, it is also possible that the same claim may appear more than once in a dataset, across different year groups e.g. where the case has been closed (as unsuccessful), challenged, reopened and closed again at conclusion.

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.

The data shows an increase in the volume of cases notified. We launched the Early Notification (EN) scheme in 2017 to proactively support the National Maternity Safety Ambition to halve maternal and neonatal deaths and reduce significant harm. The EN scheme has accelerated the reporting of claims as it proactively investigates specific brain injuries at birth for the purposes of determining whether negligence has caused harm. We do this by requiring our CNST members to notify us of maternity incidents which meet a certain clinical definition. It is designed to speed up investigations into whether or not a baby is entitled to receive compensation by investigating early and to help ensure that steps are taken to learn from things that have gone wrong to improve maternity care closer to the incident. Alongside cases reported to us under the EN scheme since 2017, the number of non-EN scheme cerebral palsy/brain damage claims being notified is lower, as expected. Please see our Annual Report and Accounts [Fig 23, page 74] for further information.

Please note: Cover under the Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts (CNST) has also been available to independent sector providers (ISPs) of NHS care since 1st April 2013, but data relating to these ISPs has not been included in our response, as the request was for a breakdown by Trust. Please visit our website for information about our Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts - NHS Resolution.

Please note: **the tables broken down by Trusts should not be interpreted as a league table. Larger member organisations and those which provide more complex treatments may receive more claims than smaller organisations or those providing low risk care. Inevitably, different institutions face different levels of risk because of the variations in the nature and complexity of the procedures they perform. In some circumstances, volumes of reported cases may be impacted by multiple claims notified in relation to one cause of action.**

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PPOs

The information disclosed includes damages and costs paid up to the end of the settlement year (in Periodical payment order (PPO) cases) and up to the end of the closure year in non-PPO cases.

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. The information disclosed includes lump sum damages, costs and any PPO damages paid up to the end of the year of settlement. It does not include PPO damages, which have been committed to but due to be paid after the settlement year.

Low figures

We have not provided the information for low figures involved 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 FOI Act, 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.

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 several 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.

Please refer to Understanding NHS Resolution data guidance for further details on how our Claims database is categorised.

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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Notified	Y
scheme	CNST

Year of Notification	No. of Claims
2018/19	1,064
2019/20	1,006
2020/21	1,150
2021/22	1,237
2022/23	1,383
2023/24	1,384
Grand Total	**7,224**

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Table 2: Number of CNST Claims and/or Incidents received between financial years 2018/19 and 2023/24 where the Specialty is 'Obstetrics'. Broken down by Trust.

Notified	Y
scheme	CNST

Member Name	No. of Claims
Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust	196
Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust	183
Barts Health NHS Trust	166
Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust	149
The Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	130
Liverpool Women's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	120
University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust	119
Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust	118
University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust	116
Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust	115
Chelsea & Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	109
East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust	105
Barking, Havering and Redbridge University Hospitals NHS Trust	101
Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	100
Bolton NHS Foundation Trust	100
University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust	100
Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust	97
Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust	93
King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	92
University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust	91
Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust	89
Lewisham & Greenwich NHS Trust	87
Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust	87
Mid Yorkshire Teaching NHS Trust	87
East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust	84
East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust	77
Mersey and West Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust	76
Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	76
Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust	76
Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust	75
Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	75
North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust	74
Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust	73
Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	73
South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust	68
United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust	67
North Middlesex University Hospital NHS Trust	66
Somerset NHS Foundation Trust	63
Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust	63
West Hertfordshire Hospitals NHS Trust	62
South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	62
Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	61
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University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust	56
University Hospitals Coventry & Warwickshire NHS Trust	56
Sandwell & West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust	56
Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust	56
Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust	55
East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust	55

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Member Name	No. of Claims
Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	55
Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (The)	54
County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust	54
University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust	54
Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust	54
Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	53
Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	53
Croydon Health Services NHS Trust	52
Homerton Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	52
University Hospitals Bristol & Weston NHS Foundation Trust	51
Medway NHS Foundation Trust	51
Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust	51
Ashford & St Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	50
Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	49
Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust	48
Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	46
East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust	45
York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	45
Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	44
Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust	44
Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	44
Dartford and Gravesham NHS Trust	43
Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	43
Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	43
Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (The)	41
George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust	41
The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust	41
Warrington and Halton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	40
Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (The)	40
North Bristol NHS Trust	39
Kingston Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	37
Whittington Health NHS Trust	37
Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust	36
Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	36
Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	36
Northern Lincolnshire & Goole Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	35
Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust (The)	34
Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust	34
South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust	34
St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	32
Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust	31
Royal Surrey County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (The)	31
Kettering General Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	30
Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust	28
The Queen Elizabeth Hospital King's Lynn NHS Foundation Trust	27
Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	27
West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust	27
University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust	26
Airedale NHS Foundation Trust	26
Harrogate & District NHS Foundation Trust	26
Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	26
Stockport NHS Foundation Trust	25
James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	24
Tameside and Glossop Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust	24
Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	24
North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust	23
North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust	22

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Member Name	No. of Claims
Wye Valley NHS Trust	21
Torbay & South Devon NHS Foundation Trust	20
Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	17
East Cheshire NHS Trust	15
Gateshead Health NHS Foundation Trust	15
Isle of Wight NHS Trust	14
Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board	6
East Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust	#
North West Ambulance NHS Trust	#
London Ambulance Service NHS Trust	#
NHS England	#
Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board	#
Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board	#
Derbyshire Community Health Services	#
Birmingham & Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust	#
Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust	#
Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust	#
Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust	#
Berkshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	#
Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Trust	#
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ClosedSettled	Y
scheme	CNST
Claim_Outcome	Damages Paid

Year of Closure (Settlement Year for PPOs)	No. of Claims	Damages Paid	NHS Legal Costs Paid	Claimant Legal Costs Paid	Total Paid
2018/19	703	562,362,549	23,748,569	74,039,221	660,150,339
2019/20	763	478,002,739	21,875,956	70,698,061	570,576,756
2020/21	668	495,553,229	21,706,463	67,704,550	584,964,242
2021/22	762	498,891,949	21,797,308	77,864,994	598,554,251
2022/23	680	568,084,917	24,016,115	81,923,254	674,024,286
2023/24	701	643,861,609	26,600,735	86,041,921	756,504,265
Grand Total	**4,277**	**3,246,756,992**	**139,745,145**	**458,272,002**	**3,844,774,139**

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Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust	124	71,399,507	3,776,575	12,001,576	87,177,658
Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust	123	105,389,533	4,071,443	12,940,779	122,401,755
Barts Health NHS Trust	99	103,680,338	3,487,916	12,681,156	119,849,410
University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust	78	82,637,203	3,480,094	12,317,823	98,435,121
Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust	72	60,842,848	1,978,679	6,496,154	69,317,681
Lewisham & Greenwich NHS Trust	70	70,737,566	2,776,868	10,058,582	83,573,016
The Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	68	45,221,093	1,843,562	6,636,103	53,700,758
University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust	67	41,917,331	2,792,884	5,706,345	50,416,560
East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust	66	35,590,450	1,656,221	8,007,036	45,253,707
Barking, Havering and Redbridge University Hospitals NHS Trust	63	64,815,488	2,688,718	8,094,428	75,598,634
Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust	62	33,383,067	1,399,084	4,448,909	39,231,060
Liverpool Women's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	61	47,554,206	2,397,684	7,486,652	57,438,542
Bolton NHS Foundation Trust	59	26,056,720	1,052,533	4,740,065	31,849,317
Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	59	56,365,126	1,960,556	6,054,422	64,380,103
King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	59	29,102,691	2,070,518	8,311,584	39,484,793
Mid Yorkshire Teaching NHS Trust	57	35,871,464	1,544,804	5,396,539	42,812,807
University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust	56	82,785,520	3,032,588	8,520,293	94,338,401
Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust	56	42,008,214	2,523,359	5,415,058	49,946,631
North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust	55	30,406,762	1,797,208	6,183,802	38,387,772
Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	54	21,991,437	1,227,160	4,118,051	27,336,649
Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust	52	46,806,626	1,933,383	6,400,896	55,140,904
Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust	50	23,453,198	1,340,508	3,796,946	28,590,652
Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust	48	42,925,882	1,934,308	5,909,925	50,770,114
Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust	48	70,534,197	2,290,258	7,241,055	80,065,511
East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust	47	14,608,570	748,015	3,539,505	18,896,091
Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust	47	51,226,361	1,870,467	6,040,432	59,137,260
University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust	46	25,682,140	1,070,243	4,542,357	31,294,740
United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust	46	6,179,346	882,046	2,487,815	9,549,207
Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	45	21,661,510	626,808	2,503,598	24,791,916
Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust	45	18,785,125	1,323,186	4,395,537	24,503,847
West Hertfordshire Hospitals NHS Trust	45	16,617,384	984,361	3,166,997	20,768,741
Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust	45	26,065,035	1,543,922	4,140,753	31,749,711
Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust	45	22,428,768	955,534	4,267,985	27,652,287
London North West University Healthcare NHS Trust	44	39,861,438	1,242,472	5,052,916	46,156,827
North Middlesex University Hospital NHS Trust	44	35,414,458	1,037,944	4,566,150	41,018,551
Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust (The)	43	12,776,046	508,651	2,741,039	16,025,736
South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust	42	22,851,592	1,463,797	4,620,968	28,936,357
Mersey and West Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust	42	32,332,772	1,251,787	3,498,794	37,083,352
Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust	41	59,784,115	1,650,407	5,860,057	67,294,579
Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	41	13,586,977	677,581	2,776,280	17,040,838
Somerset NHS Foundation Trust	41	45,274,033	1,637,941	5,286,930	52,198,903
County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust	40	22,219,407	1,167,563	3,044,344	26,431,314
East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust	38	29,649,740	1,280,152	3,548,909	34,478,801
Chelsea & Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	37	51,265,865	1,792,020	5,625,063	58,682,948
Croydon Health Services NHS Trust	37	30,552,578	1,106,326	5,022,420	36,681,324
University Hospitals Bristol & Weston NHS Foundation Trust	36	28,988,280	1,536,015	4,552,995	35,077,291
Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	35	31,854,844	993,188	3,470,730	36,318,762
Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	34	23,389,956	869,198	3,256,722	27,515,875
Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust	34	17,782,309	1,065,350	3,885,108	22,732,767
Northern Lincolnshire & Goole Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	34	7,317,801	672,113	1,839,081	9,828,995
Homerton Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	34	40,488,054	1,401,752	4,299,033	46,188,838
East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust	34	27,263,501	1,071,004	4,450,245	32,784,750
Ashford & St Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	34	29,593,691	1,037,414	4,974,172	35,605,277
Norfolk & Norwich University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	33	44,029,115	1,425,872	6,392,658	51,847,645
Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	33	40,941,227	1,410,858	3,360,500	45,712,585
University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust	33	12,436,538	762,721	2,064,852	15,264,111
University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	32	33,431,737	1,439,449	3,720,535	38,591,721
Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	32	17,171,257	791,504	3,047,968	21,010,728
University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust	31	16,175,527	792,169	1,969,000	18,936,695
University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust	31	10,526,052	951,405	2,483,004	13,960,461
University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust	31	18,248,405	781,158	2,993,174	22,022,737

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Claim_Outcome	Damages Paid

Member Name	No. of Claims	Damages Paid	NHS Legal Costs Paid	Claimant Legal Costs Paid	Total Paid
South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	30	12,476,267	722,142	2,018,532	15,216,940
Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust	30	20,478,941	1,221,283	4,150,496	25,850,720
Sandwell & West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust	30	15,624,081	641,035	2,383,330	18,648,447
Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	29	23,169,539	952,141	3,254,134	27,375,814
Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	29	7,094,011	552,738	1,262,668	8,909,417
York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	29	16,720,198	1,103,854	3,524,400	21,348,452
Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust	29	26,459,867	1,321,569	3,166,744	30,948,180
Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	28	4,127,590	357,100	1,842,546	6,327,236
St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	28	46,990,789	2,218,209	6,840,233	56,049,230
Medway NHS Foundation Trust	28	30,269,406	942,873	2,784,692	33,996,970
Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	27	11,506,725	559,566	1,886,213	13,952,503
University Hospitals Coventry & Warwickshire NHS Trust	27	15,267,541	698,185	2,371,371	18,337,097
Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	27	30,268,294	1,271,534	3,750,150	35,289,978
Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust	27	18,449,980	494,876	2,709,062	21,653,917
Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust	27	12,262,659	1,003,946	2,595,100	15,861,705
Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	27	23,589,235	767,898	2,264,073	26,621,206
Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust	26	16,117,518	633,288	2,278,418	19,029,224
North Bristol NHS Trust	25	21,764,983	973,570	2,747,493	25,486,046
East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust	25	14,640,250	674,099	2,716,433	18,030,782
Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	25	13,453,340	587,887	2,842,871	16,884,098
Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	25	6,026,027	482,716	1,651,194	8,159,937
Stockport NHS Foundation Trust	25	27,663,215	1,058,293	3,355,858	32,077,366
Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	24	23,702,738	958,093	3,726,725	28,387,556
Dartford and Gravesham NHS Trust	24	26,113,299	742,365	2,695,753	29,551,418
Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust	24	17,629,792	457,733	1,825,756	19,913,282
Kettering General Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	23	19,957,189	823,398	2,465,347	23,245,933
Kingston Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	23	23,400,346	861,456	2,673,079	26,934,881
Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (The)	23	20,040,401	1,003,110	3,256,208	24,299,719
Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust	23	36,926,122	1,583,078	4,413,732	42,922,932
Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	23	27,656,646	790,517	2,648,828	31,095,991
Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	22	33,557,975	1,278,122	3,273,120	38,109,217
Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	21	11,833,002	417,618	1,516,554	13,767,174
Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (The)	19	20,710,877	762,569	1,983,575	23,457,021
Whittington Health NHS Trust	19	5,499,579	620,725	2,128,771	8,249,075
Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	19	25,430,075	757,444	2,865,300	29,052,819
South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust	18	4,226,152	703,900	1,008,876	5,938,928
North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust	17	7,244,728	386,416	1,391,862	9,023,005
Gateshead Health NHS Foundation Trust	17	19,489,045	740,169	1,689,625	21,918,839
Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust	17	7,341,920	486,923	2,082,110	9,910,954
Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust (The)	16	29,110,252	1,689,476	3,655,574	34,455,302
The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust	16	7,610,855	616,034	1,873,446	10,100,335
Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (The)	16	16,008,060	964,431	2,355,289	19,327,780
University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust	16	20,177,848	770,910	2,338,500	23,287,257
George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust	15	9,737,302	235,807	1,052,533	11,025,642
James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	15	18,642,980	483,549	1,619,640	20,746,169
The Queen Elizabeth Hospital King's Lynn NHS Foundation Trust	15	5,363,418	209,756	755,564	6,328,738
Warrington and Halton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	14	18,586,412	543,227	2,000,543	21,130,182
West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust	14	3,966,979	323,953	1,212,050	5,502,982
Tameside and Glossop Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust	14	11,812,050	584,938	1,263,760	13,660,748
Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	13	12,259,663	505,511	1,533,115	14,298,290
East Cheshire NHS Trust	13	19,677,643	646,012	2,938,375	23,262,030
Torbay & South Devon NHS Foundation Trust	13	10,657,179	494,685	1,430,279	12,582,143
North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust	13	3,857,104	190,941	517,760	4,565,805
Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust	12	4,898,166	160,128	727,450	5,785,744
Harrogate & District NHS Foundation Trust	12	1,269,642	119,601	513,324	1,902,567
Wye Valley NHS Trust	11	9,039,174	330,036	1,279,777	10,648,987
Royal Surrey County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (The)	11	13,178,793	489,304	1,532,250	15,200,347
Airedale NHS Foundation Trust	8	4,541,500	222,731	912,000	5,676,231
Isle of Wight NHS Trust	7	5,800,322	201,393	654,250	6,655,965
Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board	5	4,178,317	272,585	748,500	5,199,402
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Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust	#	#	#	#	#
Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board	#	#	#	#	#
Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board	#	#	#	#	#
Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust	#	#	#	#	#
North West Ambulance NHS Trust	#	#	#	#	#
South East Coast Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust	#	#	#	#	#
Grand Total	**4,277**	**3,246,756,992**	**139,745,145**	**458,272,002**	**3,844,774,139**