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Response Due: 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

**Please can you provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the period 1 January 2020 to 31 October 2025 (or for as much of this period as your records allow). Please note, I want total figures not an annual breakdown, please.**

- 1. Please tell me how many people were admitted to hospitals in your trust where a primary diagnosis of ICD-10 codes J45–J46 (asthma) was recorded.**  
1,285.

**For clarity, this includes:**

- **J45 – Asthma**
- **J45.0 – Predominantly allergic asthma**
- **J45.1 – Non-allergic asthma**
- **J45.8 – Mixed asthma**
- **J45.9 – Asthma, unspecified**
- **J46 – Status asthmaticus (severe, life-threatening asthma attack unresponsive to standard treatment)**

- 1a. If possible, please provide the Lower Layer Super Output Areas (LSOAs) of residence for these patients. If LSOA data are not held, please provide the postcode sectors instead.**

Please see the attached.

**1b. If possible, please indicate how many of these patients had ICD-10 code Z58.1 (Exposure to air pollution) recorded as a contributing factor.**  
0.

**1c. If possible, please indicate how many of these patients were children (under 18) and how many were adults.**  
17 and under = 317.  
18 and over = 968.

**2. Of the patients identified in question 1, please state how many subsequently died in hospital (I understand these deaths may not necessarily be related to asthma.)**  
0.

**2a. If possible, please indicate (separately from 1a) the LSOAs - or postcode sectors if LSOA data is not held - of residence for these patients.**  
N/A.

**2b. If possible, please indicate how many of these patients were children (under 18) and how many were adults.**  
N/A.

**3. Please provide an ethnicity breakdown of all patients identified in question 1.**

Any other Asian background = 21  
Any other Black Background = 3  
Any other ethnic group = 25  
Any other mixed background = 18  
Any other White Background = 20  
Black African = 4  
British (White) = 1156  
Chinese = 5  
Indian = 6  
Irish (White) = 1  
Pakistani = 3  
White and Asian = 1  
White and Black African = 2  
White and Black Caribbean = 6  
Not Known = 6  
Not Stated = 8

**4. Please provide an ethnicity breakdown of all patients identified in question 2.**  
N/A.

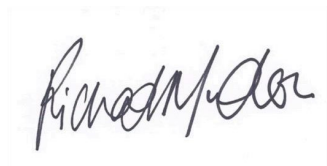
**To protect patient identities while still allowing meaningful analysis, please provide aggregated data for the total period (rather than annual breakdowns).**

**If any categories produce very small numbers, please group ethnicities into higher-level categories as follows (using NHS England Digital's national codes):**

- **White: A, B, C**
- **Mixed: D, E, F, G**
- **Asian or Asian British: H, J, K, L**
- **Black or Black British: M, N, P**
- **Other ethnic groups: R, S**
- **Not stated or not known: Z, 99**

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Mundon', is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Richard Mundon  
Deputy Chief Executive

**PLEASE NOTE:**

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
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