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Dear

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – DIAGNOSTIC RADIOGRAPHERS**

I write in response to your request for information in relation to diagnostic radiographers.

Question:

1. How many diagnostic radiographers were employed by NHS Lothian in February 2025?

Answer:

	Headcount	WTE
Band 5	73	70.23
Band 6	188	154.48
Band 7	74	60.18
Band 8+	16	15.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>300.29</b>

Question:

2. How many diagnostic radiographers employed by NHS Lothian have been qualified for less than 1 year?

Answer:

This information is not centrally available. However, data on individuals who started in their role within one year has been provided in the table below (started between 1 March 2024 and 28 February 2025). Please note that this do not mean that they weren't qualified prior to starting in their employment.

	Headcount	WTE
Band 5	22	21.43
Band 6	7	6.50
Band 7	11	10.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>38.86</b>

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I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at [www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal). If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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