

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – MALE NURSES

I write in response to your request for information in relation to male nurses employed by NHS Lothian.

Question:

1. Please provide the total number of male nurses employed by you in the past 5 years.
2. Please provide the total number of male nurses in each of these fields: Adult; Children's ; Mental Health; Learning Disability.

Answer:

This information is available online on the Turas website, at the following web link:
<https://turasdata.nes.nhs.scot/data-and-reports/official-workforce-statistics/all-official-statistics-publications/03-march-2026-workforce/nhs-scotland-workforce-dashboards/nhs-scotland-workforce/?pageid=15687>

Instructions:

1. Open the “Employment Over Time” report from the left-hand menu.
2. Under Board, select: East → NHS Lothian.
3. Under Job Family, choose: Nursing & Midwifery. Expand further to select sub job family, i.e. Adults, Paediatrics, Mental Health and Midwifery.
4. Under Band/Grade, select: Qualified (you can drill down further if needed).
5. WTE/Headcount: choose whichever measure you require.
6. Under Sex, select: Male.

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 <https://www.foi.scot/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 reviewer at the address at the top of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

FOI responses (subject to redaction of personal information) may appear on NHS Lothian's Freedom of Information website at: <https://org.nhslothian.scot/FOI>

Yours sincerely

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