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Subject

GIDS Referral Data by Birth Sex 2014-2018

Details of enquiry

Please provide the number of referrals to the Tavistock Gender Identity Development Service, broken down by birth sex, for each month from April 2014 to November 2018.

Response Sent

We have collated the data below as our response to you, which represents the number of referrals to the Tavistock Gender Identity Development Service, broken down by birth sex, for each year from April 2014 to November 2018.

We hold this historic data in a static form and we have no method of extrapolating these figures retrospectively to re-collate it differently by month, by assigned gender.

To manually extract and re-collate this data would require resources beyond the scope of the FOI Act 2000, requiring a visual interrogation of thousands files, which at an estimated 5 minutes per file would require weeks of a staff member's time to complete. I hope you will understand that the Trust does not have unlimited resources; therefore, the Trust is not obliged to provide the level of detail you have requested, which was by month, over the 4 year period, and it will therefore not be providing this level of detail.

We have presented below the number of referrals to the Tavistock Gender Identity Development Service, broken down by birth sex, for each month from April 2014 to November 2018

	Assigned Male at Birth	Assigned Female at Birth	Total
2014-2015	273	424	697
2015-2016	490	929	1419
2016-2017	616	1400	2016
2017-2018	714	1834	2548
April 2018 – 30 Nov 2018	488	1300	1788