



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

Ein Cyf/ Our ref ATISN 14547

14 December 2020

Dear,

### **ATISN 14547 – Covid Stats**

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 16 November. You asked for –

- 1. Current Covid cases by region*
- 2. Current death total by region (not after 28 days)*
- 3. Current Covid cured/discharged from hospital and/or home by region*
- 4. How many post mortem examinations have been conducted to confirm cause of death?*

On Q1 this information is available at the Public Health Wales link attached below and is updated daily, this data is accessible by local authority –

<https://public.tableau.com/profile/public.health.wales.health.protection#!/vizhome/RapidCOVID-19virology-Public/Headlinesummary>

On Q2 Public Health Wales collect and publish daily rapid surveillance data on deaths where COVID-19 is a contributory factor of the death and the individual must have had a positive laboratory test –

<https://public.tableau.com/profile/public.health.wales.health.protection#!/vizhome/RapidCOVID-19virology-Public/Headlinesummary>

On Q3 the number of hospital COVID-19 discharges is not currently published. Welsh Government are provided a daily number of COVID-19 related discharges from NHS Wales Informatics Services but there are data quality issues with this resulting from differences in the ways hospitals record admissions, transfers etc. This should therefore not be considered a reliable estimate of the number of discharges from hospitals in Wales for COVID-19. Taking into consideration these data quality issues, the latest data shows that between 23 March and 10 December, there were 14,758 discharges from hospital related to COVID-19.

On Q4, Welsh Government do not hold this information. The Office for National Statistics (ONS) collect mortality data for England and Wales based on information collected on the death certificate. The ONS publish the number of reported deaths by method of certification and registration (including the number of post mortems) for England and Wales in their [user guide](#), but this is currently unavailable for the pandemic period. For more information on quality of mortality data during the coronavirus pandemic see the following report from the [ONS](#). For more information please contact [health.data@ons.gov.uk](mailto:health.data@ons.gov.uk).

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,  
Welsh Government,  
Cathays Park,  
Cardiff,  
CF10 3NQ

or Email: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales)

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,  
Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane,  
Wilmslow,  
Cheshire,  
SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,