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Information requested:

What is the number of the amount of deaths in hospitals from 1990 to 2020. in Scotland

Response:

We give notice under section 17 of FOISA that we do not hold this information.

Advice and Guidance

The State Hospital is one of four high secure hospitals in the UK. Located in South Lanarkshire in central Scotland, it is a national service for Scotland and Northern Ireland and one part of the pathway of care that should be available for those with secure care needs. The principal aim is to rehabilitate patients, ensuring safe transfer to appropriate lower levels of security.

There are 140 high-secure beds (plus four beds for emergency use) for male patients requiring maximum secure care: 12 beds specifically for patients with an intellectual disability. A range of therapeutic, educational, diversional and recreational services including a Health Centre is provided.

Although The State Hospital shares the same values, aims and challenges as the rest of the NHS in Scotland, it is unique because it has the dual responsibility of caring for very ill, detained patients as well as protecting them, the public and staff from harm.

NHS National Services Scotland (NHS NSS) should hold the information you are looking for, their FOI email address is; nss.foi@nhs.scot

Alternatively, The National Records of Scotland might hold the information. They have a section on requesting information which can be found here: <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/about-us/requesting-information>