

<b>Reference:</b>	FOI.11174.23
<b>Subject:</b>	Pregnant women with diabetes
<b>Date of Request:</b>	3 March 2023

**Requested:**

Giving a breakdown of each year, please can you confirm how many pregnant women since 2015 have been assessed as having:

- (a) Gestational Diabetes
- (b) Type 1 Diabetes
- (c) Type 2 Diabetes

**Response:**

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide you with all of the information requested, as it is estimated that the cost of answering your request would exceed the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. The “appropriate limit” represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours (or 2½ working days) in determining whether the UHB holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

A central record of the information requested is not held for the 2015 calendar year, neither is there a central record for the diagnosis of Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (GDM) at Bronglais General Hospital (BGH) for the 2016 and 2017 calendar years. In order to provide you with all of the information the UHB would need to undertake a manual search of all maternity records, to identify the information that would fulfil your request, as this information is not recorded centrally.

The UHB is therefore applying an exemption under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), which provides an exemption from a public authority’s obligation to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit.

However, under Section 16 of the FoIA, we are required as a public authority, to provide advice and assistance so far as it is reasonable, to individuals who have made a request under the FoIA. Therefore, the UHB provides the accessible information it holds.

The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of pregnant women that were assessed as having Gestational Diabetes, Type 1 Diabetes and Type 2 Diabetes, for the 2016 to 2022 calendar years. Please note the 2016 and 2017 figures for GDM excludes those diagnosed at BGH as is explained in the section 12 above.

<b>Calendar year</b>	<b>Gestational diabetes mellitus</b>	<b>Type 1 diabetes mellitus</b>	<b>Type 2 diabetes mellitus</b>
2016	132	16	16
2017	170	20	8
2018	226	17	14
2019	247	14	17
2020	260	15	17
2021	287	15	17
2022	258	22	21