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I am responding to your request for information received 3 August 2021. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Keshia Harvey  
Information Governance Manager

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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**Request:**

Dear FOI Officer, I am writing to request the following information regarding the number of Covid-19 vaccine doses administered by centres run by your Trust, and the number of vaccine doses discarded or thrown away at these centres run by your trust. Please provide figures and information for the time period starting from when the UK vaccine-roll out began in December 2020 - Present.

**Question 1.** The total number of single Covid-19 vaccine doses administered by all health authorities within your trust each month, broken down by manufacturer, e.g. AstraZeneca, Pfizer and Moderna.

**Question 2.** The total number of single vaccine doses that have been wasted or discarded at vaccine hubs controlled by your trust each month, broken down by manufacturer, e.g. AstraZeneca, Pfizer and Moderna.

**Question 3.** Please state the reasons for this wastage or discarding, e.g. dropped or contaminated vials; human error in the preparation process; expired stock; leftover doses; and faulty syringes.

Answer: Please see table below:

Month	Total vaccines administered (doses)*	Waste (doses)	Comments
January 2021	3039	62 - Astra Zeneca	Wastages due to;
February 2021	5658	159 - Astra Zeneca	• vials dropped
March 2021	20, 660	111 - Astra Zeneca	• particles in vials,
April 2021	14,744	87 - Astra Zeneca	• leaking syringes
May 2021	22,564	159 (143 - Astra Zeneca; 16 Pfizer)	• end of day discarded dose left in vial
June 2021	34,302	519 (132- Astra Zeneca; 387 Pfizer)	
July 2021	18,491	342 (130 Astra Zeneca; 212 Pfizer)	

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—*

- (a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and*  
*(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to him.*

\*East London NHS Foundation does not hold the information of the amount of vaccines administered by manufacturer.