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**Our reference: FOI DA6397a**

We are responding to your request for information received 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We are 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,

FOI Team

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:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
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Tel: 0303 123 1113  
Web: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
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**Request:**

**Question 1:** The number of individuals aged 18–24 each year since 2020 who were identified as not living in homeless supported accommodation. such as (but not limited to):

- Living with parents
- Living with friends
- Living alone
- Living with family

**Time period:** From 1 January 2020 to the most recent available data.

**a)** If available, a breakdown by year (2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 to date) of above question.

**Answer:** Please see table below.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Patients seen by the Trust aged 18-24 identified as not homeless</b>
2020	2046
2021	2344
2022	2563
2023	2894
2024	3028
2025	2938



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**Original Request FOI DA6397:** I am an undergraduate student conducting research for my major study project, researching access to NHS Mental Health Services for young people experiencing homelessness.

**Question 1:** Specifically, I am requesting anonymized data regarding service users who meet the following criteria:

- **Age range:** 18 to 24 years.
- **Accommodation status:** Those identified as **NOT** living in homeless supported accommodation, such as (but not limited to):
  - Living with parents
  - Living with friends
  - Living alone
  - Living with family
- **Time period:** From 1 January 2020 to the most recent available data.

I would be grateful if the information could include the following, presented in aggregate/anonymised form:

- The number of individuals aged 18–24 each year since 2020 who were identified as living in homeless supported accommodation (as defined above).
- If available, a breakdown by year (2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 to date).

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

*(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.*

The information requested is accessible here:

Question 1 and 2:

[https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2025-10/anon\\_response\\_-\\_foi\\_da6289.pdf](https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2025-10/anon_response_-_foi_da6289.pdf)



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