

31 January 2023

Miscarriage Statistics between January 2007 and December 2022

I am looking for data on the two following indicators for Belfast Trust between January 2007 and December 2022:

Number of miscarriages which resulted in in-patient treatment

Please find below summary table showing number of in-patients due to miscarriage from 01/01/17 to 30/09/22.

Year of Discharge	Hospital			
	BCH	MIH	RMH	RV
Y2007		125	12	454
Y2008		134	10	424
Y2009	<5	132	16	472
Y2010		131	10	409
Y2011		133	13	341
Y2012	11	13	243	108
Y2013	9	<5	340	
Y2014	11		307	
Y2015	6	<5	343	<5
Y2016	8		339	
Y2017	<5		366	
Y2018	<5		365	
Y2019	<5		348	
Y2020			167	<5
Y2021	<5		243	<5
Y2022			227	<5

Codes used:

BCH: Belfast City Hospital

MIH: Mater Infirmorum Hospital

RMH: Royal Maternity Hospital

RV: Royal Victoria Hospital

Please note: Use of < 5 (less than five): We are unable to provide an exact figure - exempt from release under section 40(2) of the FOI Act - as this could make patients personally identifiable. Disclosure would constitute a breach of the principles of the General Data Protection Regulations 2018.

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The information requested is not held by Belfast Trust. The Trust cannot identify patients who attended outpatients due to a miscarriage as there is no specific clinic that only these women would attend.

Primary discharge reason (maternity services) – miscarriage

The information requested is not held by Belfast Trust. There is an unknown number of women who experience miscarriage at home without contacting a healthcare professional, and also women who may attend their GP rather than Belfast Trust services.