

28 October 2025

Births from 1st January – 31st July 2025

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would like to request the following data on a monthly basis for the period from 1st January 2025 – 31st July 2025

- 1. Total number of births**
- 2. Number of straightforward vaginal births**
- 3. Number of forceps births**
- 4. Number of vacuum births**
- 5. Number of elective caesareans**
- 6. Number of emergency caesareans**

MONTH	Total No. of Births	No. of Straightforward Vaginal Births	No. of Vaginal Breech Births	No. of Forcep Births	No. of Vacuum Births	No. of Elective Caesarean	No. of Emergency Caesarean
Jan-25	381	179	5	15	29	80	68
Feb-25	315	132	<5	9	26	82	61
Mar-25	355	159	<5	18	28	74	69
Apr-25	382	185	<5	11	28	80	70
May-25	376	181	0	16	22	68	86
Jun-25	370	175	<5	10	24	87	66
Jul-25	374	184	<5	13	25	84	62

7. Total Number of inductions (and the subsequent birth interventions/outcomes (a) to (e) below)

- a. Forceps**
- b. Vacuum**
- c. Elective caesarean**
- d. Emergency caesarean**
- e. Normal delivery**

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Total Number of Inductions (and subsequent birth Interventions/outcomes)							
Month	Total Number of Inductions	Forceps	Vacuum	Elective Caesarean	Emergency Caesarean	Normal Delivery	Breech Delivery
Jan-25	150	10	17	<5	31	90	<5
Feb-25	137	<5	17	6	37	73	0
Mar-25	161	9	15	<5	40	92	<5
Apr-25	176	9	21	<5	35	111	<5
May-25	175	9	15	<5	55	95	0
Jun-25	175	8	18	<5	40	105	<5

8. Number of episiotomies
9. Number of 3rd/4th degree tears
10. Number of water births
11. Number of home births
12. Number of Midwifery-Led Unit (MLU) births in the Active Birth Centre
13. Number of women under continuity of care
14. Number of successful Vaginal Births after Caesarean (VBAC)
15. Number of cases of Shoulder Dystocia (S)

MONTH	No. of Episiotomies	No. of 3rd/4th Degree Tears	No. of Water Births	No. of Home Births	No. of Births in ABC	No. of Women Under Continuity of Care	No. of VBAC	No. of Cases of Shoulder Dystocia
Jan-25	72	<5	10	<5	32	184	12	<5
Feb-25	57	7	6	0	25	184	10	0
Mar-25	55	0	7	0	18	190	13	<5
Apr-25	57	<5	6	<5	30	184	<5	0
May-25	55	5	13	<5	36	196	12	0
Jun-25	46	<5	11	0	31	203	10	<5
Jul-25	67	<5	7	0	24	208	11	<5

Where numbers are low we have indicated <5 (less than five) rather than give the exact figure. We feel that providing the exact figure has the potential to make people identifiable and so that information is exempt from release under Section 40(2) Personal Information relating to a third party, of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.