

Freedom of Information Request

Request:

I am writing to request details of the NHS Pension Scheme in England and Wales.

For each of the following questions, please provide data separately for both the NHS Pension Scheme 1995 section and the NHS Pension Scheme 2008 section. For each of the 1995 section and the 2008 section, please provide data separately for both males and females:

1. The number of members in 5-year age bands (20-24, 25-29 etc).
2. Total pensionable pay in each age band.
3. For each of the last 5 years, the number of new entrants.
4. For each of the last 5 years, the total pensionable pay of new entrants.
5. For each of the last 5 years, the number of people retiring in 5-year age bands (50-54, 55-59 etc).

Status: Complete

Response Date: 13/05/2010

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that this Authority does not hold the information you have requested against your questions 2 and 4. This is the same whether you intend this question to refer to the overall total pensionable pay for the band or you intend this question to refer to group averages. As far as I am aware the information is not recorded anywhere else, as it is not used as part of any scheme valuation process.

The information that has been offered below against questions 1, 3, and 5 represents the nearest related information that we hold ie we cannot break this information down further. In the case of question 5 we can however say that only 2 people have retired so far from the 2008 scheme.

Bearing in mind that the new scheme only came into being from 1st April 2008 please also note that the numbers shown against '2008' in the first table represent scheme members who first joined the scheme on or after that date. The numbers shown under 'NHS' represent everyone else in the NHS Scheme as the data currently stands.

1. (The number of members in 5-year age bands)

Age Profile							
SCHEME	GENDER	Under20	20to24	25to29	30to34	35to39	40to44
2008	FEMALE	3711	21363	17398	12173	10941	10492
2008	MALE	1463	5677	6214	4746	3690	2675
	Total	5174	27040	23612	16919	14631	13167
NHS	FEMALE	1762	29959	86080	106404	128854	156451
NHS	MALE	720	7343	23378	34968	40983	43511
	Total	2482	37302	109458	141372	169837	199962

45to49	50to54	55to59	60to64	65to69	Total
8594	5780	3020	827	223	94522
2067	1573	1116	655	128	30004
10661	7353	4136	1482	351	124526
170605	144788	101240	36080	5317	967540
44388	38415	28674	15162	2152	279694
214993	183203	129914	51242	7469	1247234

3. (For each of the last 5 years, the number of new entrants)

New Joiners in the last 5 years					
GENDER	YE2005	YE2006	YE2007	YE2008	YE2009
FEMALE	113279	95556	65234	86358	95324
MALE	38242	33580	22986	28828	31059
Total	151521	129136	88220	115186	126383

5. (For each of the last 5 years, the number of people retiring)

RETIREEES	YE2005	YE2006	YE2007	YE2008	YE2009
FEMALE	16209	19637	27143	29419	26970
MALE	5176	6219	8846	9078	8176
Total	21385	25856	35989	38497	35146