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Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received by the Department on 28 April 2023 which you sought the information in bold below.

For each of the last five years, preferably financial, not calendar years, please outline the number of bird culls carried out across NI due to confirmed or suspected cases of avian influenza.

For each culling, please outline:

- a) the rough location of the cull e.g. nearest local village.**
- b) month and year in which the cull took place**
- c) the type of birds killed e.g. chickens, turkeys, ducks etc**
- d) the number of birds killed**
- e) the amount of compensation provided**

I can confirm the Department has completed its search and can confirm it holds the information requested which is attached at Annex A.

If you require any clarification, believe that any part of your request has been overlooked, misunderstood or misinterpreted, please contact me in the first instance to see if it is a matter that can be resolved.

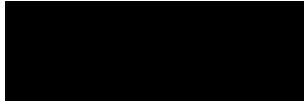
If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled or the decision to release/withhold information, you have the right to request a formal review by the Department. If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk or by post at The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Data Protection & Information

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Management Branch, Floor 2, Jubilee House, 111 Ballykelly Road, Ballykelly, Limavady BT49 9HP, within two months from the date of this letter.

If after such an internal review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE, SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review of the Department's decision.

Yours sincerely,



Veterinary Services Animal Health Group

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Financial Year	Location	Infected premise (IP) number	Month / Year	Bird Types	Number of susceptible birds	Number of birds killed	Compensation paid for birds
April 18-March 19	No cases of notifiable avian influenza in NI poultry flocks. -						
April 19-March 20	No cases of notifiable avian influenza in NI poultry flocks. 15 cases of non-notifiable Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H6N1.						
April 20-March 21	Co. Antrim	IP1 and dangerous contacts	Jan 2021	Layers	32347	32150	£30,926
				Pullet rearing	48370	48370	£100,137
	Co. Antrim	IP2	Jan 2021	Layers	33104	30986	£82770
April 21-March 22	Co. Tyrone	IP1A	Dec 2021	Ducks	22100	22100	£554,121
	Co. Antrim	IP2A	Dec 2021	Mixed breeds: geese, hens, ducks	32	27	£450
	Co. Armagh	IP3A	Dec 2021	Layers	13400	11000	£62,757
	Co. Tyrone	IP4A	Dec 2021	Ducks	22540	21340	£77,550
	Co. Tyrone	IP5A	Dec 2021	Broiler breeder	27250	9520	£47,788.50
	Co. Fermanagh	IP6A	Feb 2022	Mixed breeds: geese hens, ducks	29	27	£615
April 22-March 23	1 case of HPAI in Co. Down—no culling.	IP1B	Oct 2022	Captive birds	-	-	-