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**Category(ies): Clinical - Service Activity**

**Subject: Annual Births**

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| **Your request:** | **Our response:** |
| Can I ask for the annual births going back 10 years and births so far this year? | This information is published and widely available on the NHS Digital website, this falls under section 21 of the Act. The Trust is not required to provide information which is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available on the website provided below.  [NHS Maternity Statistics - NHS Digital](https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/nhs-maternity-statistics)  Section 21 (1) states - Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means. Section 21 is an absolute exemption which means there is no requirement to carry out a public interest test if the requested information is exempt.  The figures are available using the above link.  Navigate to the desired year, figures for individual NHS England Trusts can be found in the resources at the bottom of the page.  The resource will be labelled as either Provider level analysis or CSV Data.  Once the dataset is opened, expand and filter the relevant column to narrow it down to The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust for that year’s figure. |