

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request Reference FoI/24/164**

**Food Poisoning Hospital Admissions**

**Information Requested:**

I'm writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request data for the last five years on the number of hospital admissions in your health board area for:

- Salmonella
- E coli
- Campylobacter

Please can I also have data on the number of cases where people were initially admitted to hospital as a result of salmonella, e coli or campylobacter, compared to the number of people who developed one of those conditions whilst in hospital?

Please can I have a breakdown by year of the cases for each of the different types of food poisoning?

**Response Details:**

Please see the below table for the number of hospital admissions that were clinically coded with a diagnosis of food poisoning, specifically, Salmonella, Campylobacter, and E. Coli, between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2023.

Please note that coded clinical data is compiled for the purpose of identifying the main condition treated or investigated during the relevant episode of care and does not aim to identify which condition necessitated admission. However, where the clinical record includes a statement to confirm that a condition is hospital-acquired, this will have been reflected in the coding.

A patient with more than one type of food poisoning from the above list would be counted under each type.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Salmonella	2	0	0	1	3
Salmonella Hospital Acquired	0	0	0	0	0
Campylobacter	89	75	73	63	69
Campylobacter - Hospital Acquired	0	0	0	0	0
E Coli	7	6	10	4	12
E Coli - Hospital Acquired	0	0	0	0	0

Please note that the figures have updated slightly due to coding.