

And Veterinary Service Animal Health Group
Information Communications Branch



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Dear 

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received by the Department on 20 June 2023 and your further clarification email of 5 July 2023 which you sought the information in bold below. The Department has completed its search and confirm that it holds the information requested.

- 1. The cost to the Department for Agriculture / tax payer of the haulage of TB positive animals from farm to abattoir during the year 2022**
 - £615,526
- 2. The cost of purchasing TB positive animals from Northern Ireland farmers in 2022**
 - £35,368,276
- 3. The cost to the Department for Agriculture / tax payer for having TB positive animals slaughtered and disposed of in 2022**
 - £780,706

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4. The cost to the Department for Agriculture / tax payer for having TB positive animals that were vet certified after slaughter to be put into the food chain in 2022

- NIL

5. The amount of money received by the Department for Agriculture from slaughter houses killing TB positive animals that went into the food chain in 2022

- £9,635,311

6. The average price paid per animal to the Department for Agriculture from slaughter houses killing TB positive animals that went into the food chain in 2022

- £724.08

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 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,



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