



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Date/ Dyddiad: 4 February 2021

Dear,

ATISN 14745

Thank you for your request which I received on 11 January 2021. You asked for:

1. For each of the last 3 financial years (2019 -2020: 2018 – 2019 and 2017 – 2018) how much has the Welsh Government paid out to Welsh Farmers for positive TB results in stock.
2. Could you please break the figures down into Local authority areas for each of the last 3 financial years (2019 -2020: 2018 – 2019 and 2017 – 2018) for the Welsh Government TB payments.
3. What is the pay scale for the last 3 years for Welsh Government employed vets.

Our response

The information you requested is enclosed.

In regards to points 1 and 2 of your request, the table below sets out both the total TB compensation paid to Welsh Farmers, and provides a breakdown by Local Authority area.

Table 2: Bovine TB payments (£) by local authority, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20

Local Authority	2017-18 (a)	2018-19 (a)	2019-20 (a)
Blaenau Gwent	0	0	0
Bridgend	6,000	1,000	4,000
Caerphilly	24,000	53,000	0
Carmarthenshire	3,660,000	5,255,000	5,663,000
Ceredigion	1,495,000	1,890,000	1,537,000
Cardiff	0	0	2,000
Swansea	93,000	249,000	158,000

Conwy	62,000	71,000	39,000
Denbighshire	111,000	60,000	151,000
Flintshire	15,000	18,000	23,000
Gwynedd	32,000	64,000	73,000
Isle of Anglesey	25,000	37,000	11,000
Merthyr Tydfil	2,000	0	0
Monmouthshire	1,502,000	1,249,000	978,000
Neath Port Talbot	7,000	17,000	5,000
Newport	38,000	20,000	27,000
Pembrokeshire	5,146,000	4,946,000	5,820,000
Powys	2,110,000	2,186,000	2,024,000
Rhondda Cynon Taf	0	0	4,000
Torfaen	0	0	0
The Vale of Glamorgan	5,000	1,000	112,000
Wrexham	858,000	983,000	1,280,000
Other (b)	659,000	539,000	261,000
Total	15,847,000	17,640,000	18,170,000

- (a) Figures have been rounded to the nearest thousand. Therefore, the total sum of local authorities may not equal the total outlined in the table.
- (b) The other category include farm holdings which are based on the border of Wales and England and have land registered in both Wales and England. This category also includes some payments which cannot be allocated to a local authority area due to data quality issues.

In regards to point 3 of your request, Welsh Government employs veterinary advisers who provide advice in relation to the TB Eradication Programme. The relevant pay scales relating to the timeframe you have requested for these veterinary advisers is set out below.

Table 1: Welsh Government Executive Band (G7) pay scales, 2017 to 2020

Executive Band 2 (G7)				
Scale Point	1 April 2017	Apr-2018	1 April 2019	1 April 2020
1	£48,650	£48,650	£49,625	£50,870
2	£51,400	£51,400	£52,430	£53,740
3	£54,150	£54,150	£55,235	£56,620
4	£58,185	£58,185	£59,350	£60,830

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Yours sincerely