

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

ATISN 15778

15 December 2021

Dear

ATISN 15778 – Deaths from Omicron Variant

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 12 December. I have interpreted your request as follows:

• How many people have died from the Omicron variant in Wales to date (12-Dec-21)

Our Response

The Welsh Government does not hold this information.

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) collect and produce mortality statistics for England and Wales based on information from the death registration process. They publish <u>weekly</u> statistics on deaths involving Covid-19 (i.e. Covid-19 was mentioned on the death certificate as a contributory cause of death) and <u>monthly</u> statistics on deaths due to Covid-19 (i.e. where Covid-19 was identified as the underlying (main) cause on the death certificate). For further information on this data, please contact the ONS at <u>health.data@ons.gov.uk</u>

Next Steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:



Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,