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## **Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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I am trying to establish the number of women living "flat" following surgery to remove both breasts (either at the same time or one at a time), who have not undergone reconstructive surgery for whatever reason.

Would it be possible for you to provide the number of women at your trust who have breast cancer surgery and have had bilateral mastectomies WITHOUT reconstruction?

The purpose for this FOI request is to justify developing something which will support these women in the future.

**We've extracted the following data, which is a count of living patients who attended DBTH, who have had both breasts surgically removed, and have had no follow up reconstructive surgery.**

**This produces the following results, an average of 12 patients per year (not including 2020)**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Patients</b>
<b>2015</b>	12
<b>2016</b>	12
<b>2017</b>	10
<b>2018</b>	13
<b>2019</b>	14
<b>2020 so far</b>	6
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>67</b>