Summary of request

The Authority was asked for the number of single women who underwent IVF treatment on the NHS in the last five years.

HFEA response

The requested data is presently being withheld under section 22 FOIA (future publication). It is intended that the data will be published on in the second half of this year.

It is considered that the early disclosure of the data you have requested is likely to result in patients and the general public accessing information that may be misleading. In light of this, the public interest in the disclosure of the information is outweighed by the public interest in ensuring that patients and the general public have access to information that is accurate and has been verified by clinics. It is therefore considered reasonable to withhold the data under section 22 at this point.