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By email

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Re: expenditure on couriers and postal services for the last 3 years

Thank you for your email of 1 October 2013 in which you asked for details of the Health Protection Agency's (HPA) and Public Health England's (PHE) expenditure on same day couriers, overnight, international consignments and postal services over the last 3 years.

This has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act and in accordance with Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that Public Health England (PHE) does hold the information requested. We do not however record the information to the level you have specified in your request and I can only provide you with total expenditure figures as follows:

For the HPA in the financial years:

2011/12 - £970,964.08 2012/13 - £982,721.17

For PHE in the current financial year:

2013/14 - £779,774.98 (To date)

If you have any queries regarding the information that has been supplied to you, please refer them to me in the first instance. If you are dissatisfied with this response and would like to request an internal review, then please contact Mr George Stafford at the address above or by emailing <u>complaints@phe.gov.uk</u>.

Please note that you have the right to an independent review by the Information Commissioner's Office if a complaint cannot be resolved through the PHE complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner's Office can be contacted by writing to Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Coordinator