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## **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Cattle Compensation Payments**

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on 5 September, about compensation payments for cattle. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your questions and the responses are below.

- 1. Can you please provide details of cattle compensation totals paid that you hold records for, or at the very least, the last ten years' worth?
- 2. Can this be split into the diseases which the payments are applicable for, namely, Bovine TB, BSE, Brucellosis, and Enzootic Bovine Leukosis?

Furthermore can this information be split by either county or region, or by whichever grouping you have available to you?

The data you have asked for is shown in the table below. Please note that Brucellosis and Enzootic Bovine Leukosis were both eradicated more than 10 years ago in England. Therefore recent compensation data are not available.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOIA, and in keeping with the government's Transparency Agenda, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. Therefore, the information released to you will now be published on <a href="www.gov.uk">www.gov.uk</a> together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. Please note that this will not include your personal data.





	Disease			
	Bovine TB <sup>#</sup>	BSE^	Brucellosis	Enzootic Bovine Leukosis
Year	£M	£M	£	£
1999	3.4	6.1	О	0
2000	5.7	2.6	О	0
2001	4.7	1.8	О	0
2002	21.7	2.9	О	0
2003	25.8	1.5	О	0
2004	23.7	0.7	О	0
2005	31.4	7.7*	О	0
2006	16.3	0.9	О	0
2007	13.6	0.3	О	0
2008	28.6	0.2	О	0
2009	30.6	0.1	О	0
2010	28.6	0.2	0	0
2011	30.2	0.03	О	0
2012	34.1	0.03	О	0
2013	31.4	0.03	0	0

N.b. The data are based on payments made in the calendar year.

\*Note the Bovine TB compensation figures apply to England only. County level data are not available.

<sup>^</sup>The BSE compensation figures shown in italics (1999 to 2010) cover England, Scotland and Wales. The data from 2011 onwards refers to England only. No county level data are available. +BSE Cohort Cull commenced in 2005; suspect cattle only culled prior to that date.

I attach Annex A, which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you.

I also attach Annex B giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact the address below.

Yours sincerely,

# **Defra FOIA and EIRs Team**

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### Annex A

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### Annex B

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, section 50 of the FOIA and regulation 18 of the EIRs gives you the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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