



Our Ref: ATIC2635

[REDACTED]
{By Email}

31 January 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about Movement Assistance Scheme for horses, which APHA received on 07 January 2022. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

The information you requested and the response is detailed below:

“We are requesting under the **Freedom of information Act** information on the current usage of the Movement Assistance Scheme for horses shipping from GB to Northern Ireland.

We are requesting a monthly breakdown since 1st January 2021 to December 2021 of total costs paid direct to OV vets under this scheme. (I appreciate there may be a lag for December)”

The information you have requested can be located in the table below:

The monthly breakdown since 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021 for horses assisted on the Movement Assistance Scheme for export from GB to Northern Ireland, and the amount of Government expenditure on this scheme.

Month	Total number of Certifications invoiced	Total certification fees on invoices
January 2021	3	£669.00
February 2021	11	£2780.80

March 2021	45	£15013.72
April 2021	48	£17677.37
May 2021	10	£2301.18
June 2021	36	£10271.01
July 2021	100	£34421.27
August 2021	127	£38929.14
September 2021	213	£62571.99
October 2021	291	£92442.17
November 2021	119	£28878.94
December 2021	179	£62635.79

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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Cheshire
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