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PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about avian inflenza culling statistics, which APHA received on 09 March 2022. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

The information you requested and the response is detailed below:

"Can you please share the information on how many captive birds have been culled in the UK since October 2021 (including numbers for January, February and March 2022) as a result of premises testing positive for H5N1 avian influenza?"

Please find below numbers of captive birds culled in GB (England, Scotland, Wales) since October 2021) as a result of H5N1 avian influenza:

Month	Number Depopulated
October 2021	30
November 2021	137495
December 2021	712598
January 2022	91920
February 2022	29771
March 2022 (part)	29584
Total:	1,001,398

Please note that this data is for GB only not UK as we do not have the data for NI. The data for Northern Ireland can be requested from the authorities at the link below:

Home | Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (daera-ni.gov.uk)

APHA is an Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and also works on behalf of the Scottish Government, Welsh Government and Food Standards Agency to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.

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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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