

Food Standards Agency: Information released under the Freedom of Information Act

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Request

**** Please disclose the number cases the Food Standards Agency has been alerted where food allergies have resulted in fatalities in the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018;***

**** Please provide a breakdown for each year showing the type of allergy linked to the fatality.***

Response

The Food Standards Agency has been alerted to 5 fatalities that have been linked to allergic reactions since 2016.

Please see the following breakdown:

- 2016 – None.
- 2017 – Two deaths linked to dairy and one to seafood.
- 2018 – One death linked to dairy and one to peanuts.