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**RE Official information request CDHB 10785a** 

I refer to your email dated 25 January 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB, a followup request to earlier response CDHB 10785.

We would be grateful for the total number of CA-125 tests performed in your DHB in the 12 month period of 2018, 2019, 2021 (we previously requested 2020).
 Additionally, if this information is easily available, it would be helpful to understand, the total number of patients receiving the test in each period also.

Calendar Year	Test Volume	<b>Distinct Request Numbers</b>	Distinct Patients per Year
2018	3801	3801	2803
2019	4150	4150	3110
2020	4695	4695	3544
2021	6723	5036	3826

## Note:

You will see an additional column named 'Distinct Request Numbers'. This is the same as test
volume until 2021. Due to a change in testing methods during 2021 there was a period of
double testing for the same request to compare old versus new methods. Therefore test
volumes are inflated, the distinct request numbers column removes these additional tests.

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Canterbury DHB and West Coast DHB websites.

Yours sincerely

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