

FOI REF:	16994
RESPONSE SENT:	17/04/2026

Request

Q1) Please advise, based on your business rates database, how many tattoo-specific premises or tattoo studios were known to you for each financial year for the past 10 years.

Q2a) Please can you advise, based on your Environmental Health records, how many premises were registered with you in order to provide tattooing services or were tattoo studios, during each financial year for the past 10 years under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (LGMPA 1982).

Please note that tattooing is considered alongside acupuncture, electrolysis, semi-permanent skin colouring, and piercing to be referred to more broadly as a 'special treatment', which is regulated by the above Act.

Q2b) Please can you advise, based on your Environmental Health records regarding the above premises, how many individual practitioners were registered with you in order to provide tattooing services or were working within tattoo studios, during each financial year for the past 10 years under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (LGMPA 1982)?

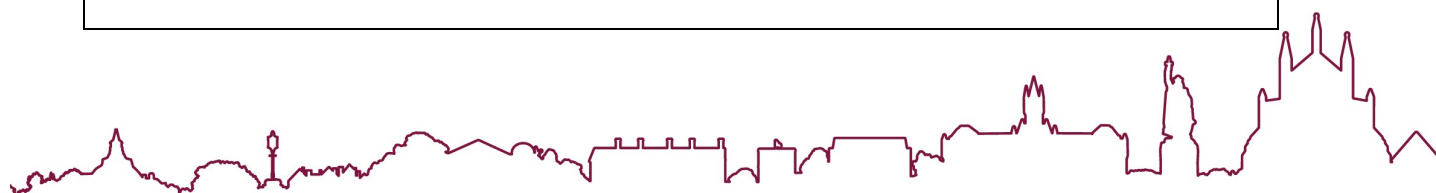
Response

Q1)

The information requested can be found on our website at [Non-Domestic Rates Datasets - Winchester City Council](https://www.winchester.gov.uk/business/business-rates/non-domestic-rates-datasets) (<https://www.winchester.gov.uk/business/business-rates/non-domestic-rates-datasets>) but is only available for 2025/26 until the present date.

The data can be filtered using the "VOA Analysis Code Description" column. However, it is important to be aware that this information may not always be accurate, as we are not always notified when a premises changes its business use. For example, a hairdresser may become a nail salon without a formal change being reported.

Q2a)



2016/17	1
2017/18	4
2018/19	1
2019/20	0
2020/21	0
2021/22	1
2022/23	2
2023/24	3
2024/25	2
2025/26	4

Above is the number of premises registered for each corresponding year

Q2b)

2016/17	3
2017/18	8
2018/19	5
2019/20	3
2020/21	3
2021/22	8
2022/23	6
2023/24	10
2024/25	7
2025/26	2

Above is the number of practitioners registered for each corresponding year

