

Freedom of Information Statistics for year end 2025

During the period of this report the Department received 339 requests with 16 resulting in a request for Internal Review (IR).

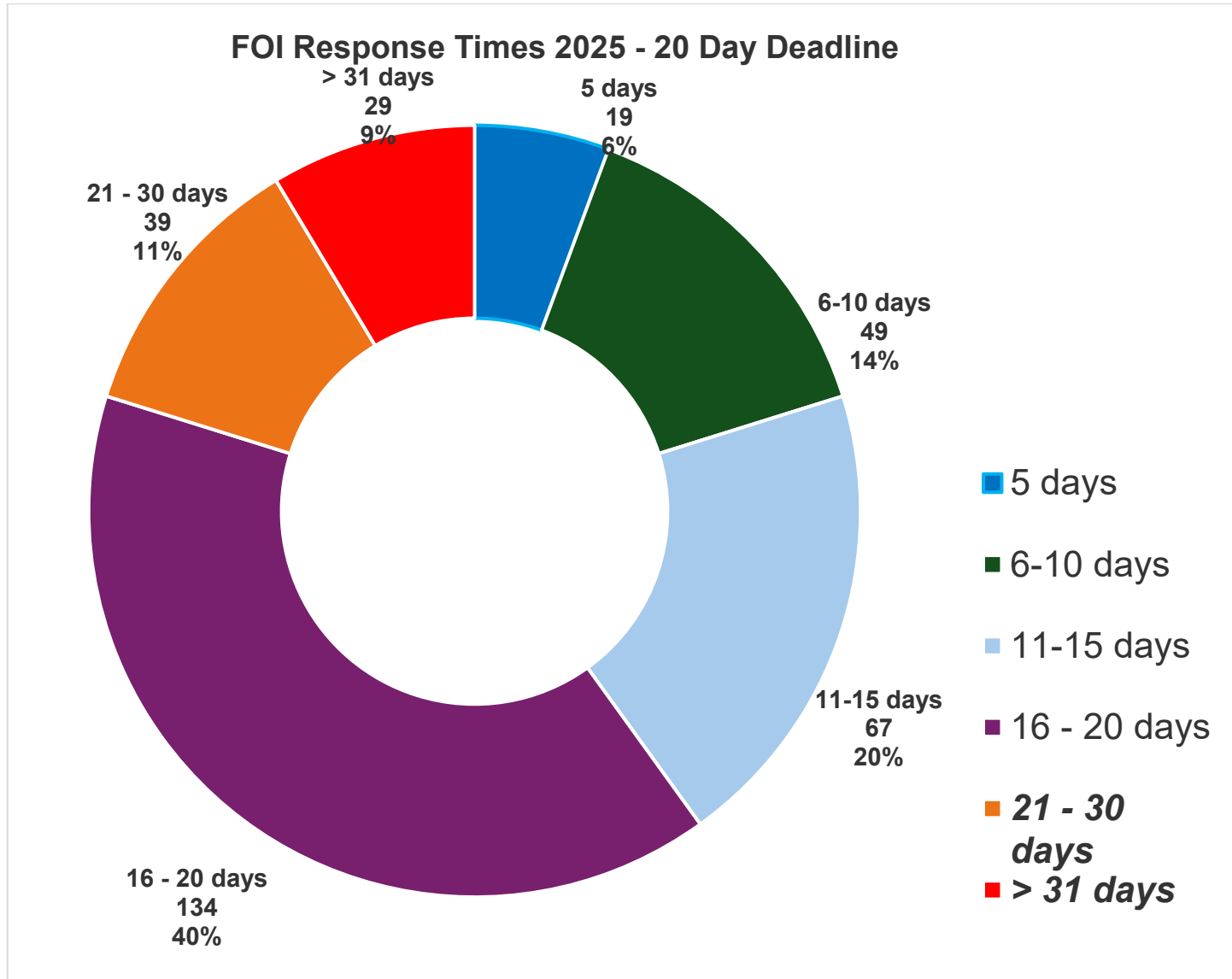
A further 198 requests were received and answered by IMB staff in consultation with Department business areas or referred to other various organisations.

The graphs below cover activity between 1 January 2025 until 31 March 2026.

Number of Freedom of Information requests allocated to and handled by each Directorate:

Requests / Responses by Directorate	FOI
CDIO Group	4
Office of the Chief Medical Officer	3
Disability and Older People	9
Elective Care & Cancer Policy	3
Emergency Resilience & Protecting Health	6
Family & Children's Policy	8
Finance	6
Healthcare Inquiries Oversight	8
Health Estates	6
Information & Analysis	60
Press Office - Communications (Information Office)	6
Infrastructure & Investment	7
Information Management Branch	33
Mental Health	4
Nursing, Midwifery & AHP	4
Chief Social Work Officer/Office of Social Services Director	0
Pharmaceutical	8
Population Health	9
Primary Care	7
Private Office	25
Public Inquiries and Public Safety	0
Quality, Safety & Improvement	7
Secondary Care	5
Strategic Planning & Performance Group	87
Social Care Reform	2
Regional Health Services Transformation	2
Trust Sponsorship, Public Appointments & DoH Development	9
Workforce Policy	11
Total Number of Requests	339

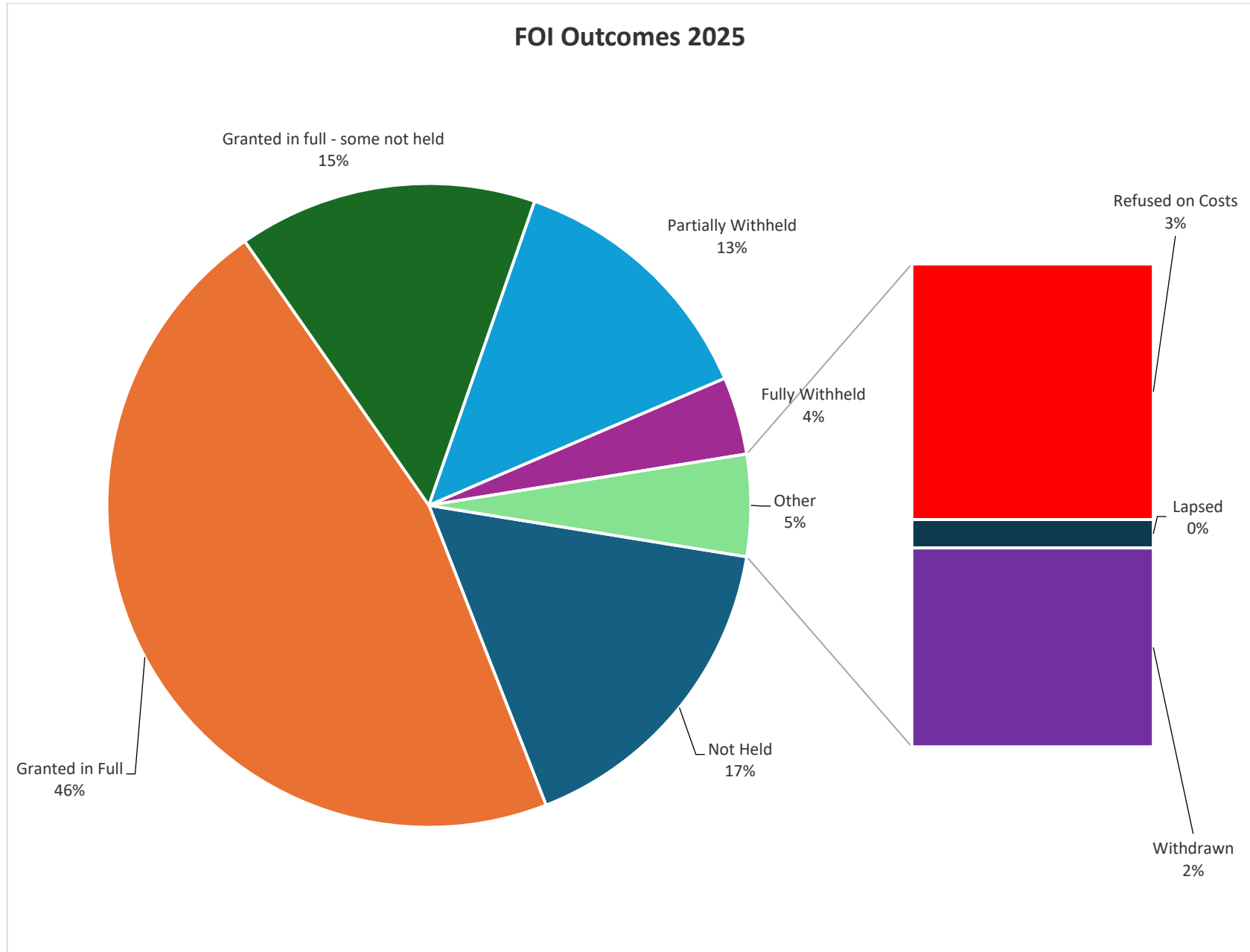
FoI response times for Year 2025 – 20-day deadline*



*Note: This chart is representative of 338 completed FOI requests. 1 FOI request is currently active and is not illustrated within this chart.

The figure of 20% for responses issued outside the legislative time frame of 20 working has been raised as unacceptable by Senior Management.

Analysis of the number and type of decisions on the release of material recorded:



Breakdown of the sources of requests:

