F-2013-00050 - Numbers of anonymous sperm donors' biological children

27 March 2013

Summary of request

The Authority was asked for the number of anonymous sperm donors known to be the biological father to more than 5 children through IVF and ICSI treatment.

HFEA response

In these numbers we have taken 'anonymous donors' to mean donors who were registered with the HFEA before 01/04/2005 and who haven't since re-registered as identifiable. This date was the point after which new donors who registered with the HFEA were automatically identifiable.

Where the numbers of babies born into 21+ and 11+ have been combined, this has been done so in order to protect the anonymity of those to whom the HFEA owes a duty of confidence. For the same reason low numbers in the table have been replaced with '<5'.

Please find the data requested in Table 1 below.

Table 1

Babies born Donors (DI cycles) Babies born Donors (IVF & ICSI cycles)

6	217	6	77
7	222	7	47
8	197	8	20
9	172	9	15
10	141	10	9
11	123	11+	<5
12	71	n/a	n/a
13	52	n/a	n/a
14	33	n/a	n/a
15	24	n/a	n/a
16	20	n/a	n/a
17	7	n/a	n/a
18	14	n/a	n/a
19	<5	n/a	n/a
20	8	n/a	n/a

21+ 7 n/a n/a