



# FOI Request

## Total Mersey Tunnels Income

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## Request

Please can you provide the total amount of revenue that both the Birkenhead and Wallasey Tunnels have received in revenue since they were built and opened via tolls collected by all vehicles travelled through them. [NB. Request clarified with requester as only data from 2003 still held]

Could you also provide the total construction cost of the tunnels.

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## Response

Thank you for your recent request made under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please find below the total combined income from the Mersey Tunnels since 2003.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Toll Income £'000</b>
2003/04	33,176
2004/05	33,535
2005/06	33,974
2006/07	34,295
2007/08	34,446
2008/09	37,010
2009/10	36,171
2010/11	35,907
2011/12	37,238
2012/13	37,374
2013/14	39,875
2014/15	43,337
2015/16	44,220
2016/17	42,369
2017/18	42,355
2018/19	41,912
2019/20	39,700
2020/21	26,288
<b>Total 01/04/2003 to 31/03/2021</b>	<b>673,183</b>

In terms of the construction costs of the tunnels, we no longer hold exact figures for the initial build and both tunnels have required considerable maintenance and renovations over their lifetimes. It has been reported that the original cost of the Queensway Tunnel in 1934 was £8m and the cost of the Kingsway Tunnel in 1971 was £21.5m (excluding land).

We do hold the current value of both tunnels as assets should you wish to receive this.

I trust that this information is of interest to you.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review, which should be addressed to:

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