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PQ 50882/19* *To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds and wards in all public and voluntary acute hospitals that were closed on 1st December 2019 or the latest date for which data for validated bed closures at hospital and ward level are available in tabular form.*

Dear Deputy Donnolly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Response:

Please find attached number of inpatient bed closures for week ending *1st December 2019* reported by Statutory and Voluntary Acute Hospitals. The data is not collected at ward level. Please note that this information relates to beds closed at a particular date in time and that the number of beds closed can fluctuate greatly over time due to, amongst other reasons, on-going refurbishment, maintenance work and infection control measures.

I trust this answers your question to your satisfaction.

Yours sincerely,

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Draft weekly number of inpatient bed & day bed closures per Reason by hospital

Week ending 1st December 2019

	Infection Control	Refurb/ Maintenance	Staff Shortages	Cost containment (Current year 2019)	Total Inpatient Beds
National Total	37	17	45	0	99
Children's Health Ireland	2	1	2	0	5
Dublin Midlands Hospital Group	10	6	23	0	39
Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
MRH Portlaoise	0	2	0	0	2
MRH Tullamore	0	0	12	0	12
Naas General Hospital	0	0	11	0	11
St James's Hospital	8	4	0	0	12
Tallaght University Hospital	2	0	0	0	2
Ireland East Hospital Group	5	0	8	0	13
Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital	5	0	1	0	6
MRH Mullingar	0	0	0	0	0
National Maternity Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Our Ladys Hospital Navan	0	0	0	0	0
Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital	0	0	7	0	7
St. Columcille's Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
St. Luke's General Hospital Kilkenny	0	0	0	0	0
St Michael's Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
St Vincents University Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Wexford General Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
RCSI Hospitals Group	0	0	2	0	2
Beaumont Hospital	0	0	2	0	2
Cavan General Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Connolly Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Rotunda Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Saolta University Health Care Group	7	6	1	0	14
Galway University Hospitals	1	0	1	0	2
Letterkenny University Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Mayo University Hospital	4	0	0	0	4
Portiuncula University Hospital	2	0	0	0	2
Roscommon University Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Sligo University Hospital	0	6	0	0	6
South/ South West Hospital Group	5	1	9	0	15
Bantry General Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Cork University Hospital	1	0	0	0	1
Lourdes Orthopaedic Hospital Kilcreene	0	0	0	0	0
Mallow General Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Mercy University Hosptial	0	0	0	0	0
South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	1	1	8	0	10
South Tipperary General Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
UH Kerry	3	0	1	0	4
UH Waterford	0	0	0	0	0
University of Limerick Hospital Group	8	3	0	0	11
Croom Orthopaedic Hospital	1	0	0	0	1
Ennis Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Nenagh Hospital					0
St John's Hospital Limerick	1	1	0	0	2
UH Limerick	6	1	0	0	7
UMH Limerick	0	1	0	0	1