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PQ 24044/19\*      *"To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that received mental health services under the treatment abroad scheme in each of the past five years."*

Dear Deputy Brown T.D.,


Thank you for your parliamentary question referenced above which has been forwarded to me for direct reply.

I refer to your previous parliamentary question PQ 35212/18 and sincerely regret I am not in a position to provide any further detail at this time. We are currently experiencing resourcing issues and therefore are prioritising patient applications over data collation. This is in no way to suggest the data you have requested is not important and as soon as resources are available to collate the information I will forward same. I ask you to bear with us for the moment. However, I am setting out the data for the years 2013 to 2017 which is available at this time.

Year	No of Patients
2017	31
2016	22
2015	8
2014	20
2013	0

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0872668759 or [catherinet.donohoe@hse.ie](mailto:catherinet.donohoe@hse.ie)

Yours sincerely,

  
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