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**Re: Original PQ 15390/20; To ask the Minister for Health the ambulance coverage by county and main towns within each county in tabular form.**

**Refined PQ 15390/20 – 16/07/2020; To ask the Minister for Health the ambulance coverage for Kerry and Cork in tabular form and the response times for the Southern region.**

Dear Deputy Daly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (refined on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The National Ambulance Service (NAS) continuously evaluates its services aligned to available resources and activity levels. It is not a static service and as such deploys its resources in a dynamic manner and operates on an area and national basis as opposed to a local basis. The dynamic deployment of ambulance resources ensures that the nearest appropriate resource is mobilised to the location of the incident. If required, the NAS will utilise the dynamic dispatch of resources from surrounding stations to an incident.

In relation to the response times for the month of March this can be attributed to additional call demand on services in relation to clinical conditions including COVID-19.

Please find attached on the following page (2) the response from the National Ambulance Service. I trust this information is of assistance to and should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Senior Executive Officer.



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Ambulance Bases (July 2020) for the Counties of Cork & Kerry			
South	Resources	Paramedic Staffing	Intermediate Care Staffing
Bantry, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances/ 1 x Intermediate Care Vehicle/ 2 x Rapid Response (1 based at Dunmanway)	12	5
Castletownbere, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	9	N/A
Clonakilty, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	10	N/A
Fermoy, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Kanturk, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Macroom, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	10	N/A
Mallow, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	10	N/A
Millstreet, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Heli-Med, Rathcoole, Co. Cork.	Irish Community Rapid Response - 1 Helicopter	6	N/A
Skibbereen, Co. Cork	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Midleton/Youghal, Co. Cork	2 x Emergency Ambulance/ 1 x Raid Response Vehicle	17	N/A
Cork City	10 x Emergency Ambulances/ 6 x Intermediate Care Vehicles/ 13 x Raid Response Vehicles/ 2 x Incident Support Vehicles/ 1 x Critical Care Vehicle/ 2 x Motor Bikes	44	23
Caherciveen, Co. Kerry	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Dingle, Co. Kerry	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Listowel, Co. Kerry	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Kenmare, Co. Kerry	2 Emergency Ambulances	11	N/A
Killarney, Co. Kerry	2 Emergency Ambulances/ 1 x Intermediate Care Vehicle	11	4
Tralee, Co. Kerry	5 x Emergency Ambulances/ 4 x Raid Response Vehicles/ 3 x Intermediate Care Vehicles	20	6

NAS Division	ECHO Number at scene <19 minutes	ECHO % At Scene < 19 minutes	DELTA Number at scene <19 minutes	Delta % At Scene < 19 minutes	NAS Division	ECHO Number at scene <19 minutes	ECHO % At Scene < 19 minutes	DELTA Number at scene <19 minutes	DELTA % At Scene < 19 minutes
<b>South East</b>					<b>South West</b>				
Jan	32	64.00%	617	48.85%	Jan	43	75.44%	758	57.86%
Feb	39	78.00%	532	48.67%	Feb	53	85.48%	732	58.00%
March	24	64.86%	561	45.16%	March	32	71.11%	685	47.21%
April	21	60.00%	425	52.66%	April	49	79.03%	542	58.98%
May	16	51.61%	380	47.15%	May	50	76.92%	602	63.64%

South East: Carlow, Kilkenny, Tipperary (South Riding), Wexford and Waterford.

South West: Cork and Kerry.