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Deputy Gary Gannon  
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**Re: PQ32871:** To ask the Minister for Health the number of tests and cases of school going children since 27 September 2020 to the most recent data available by 0-4, 5-12 and 13-19 years of age in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Gannon,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

Table 1 below provides data on the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified to the Health Protection Surveillance Centre (HPSC) in children aged from birth to 19 years since 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020 up to midnight 10<sup>th</sup> November. It also provides a breakdown of these figures into the age groups 0-4 years, 5-12 years and 13-19 years. These figures are also presented as a percentage of the total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified to HPSC across all age groups during this period (n=31,271).

Data were extracted from HPSC's Computerised Infectious Disease Reporting System (CIDR) on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am. CIDR is a dynamic system and case details may be updated at any time. Therefore, the data described here may differ from previously reported data and data reported for the same time period in the future.

**Table 1** Number and percentage of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in children 0-19 years during the period 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020 to midnight 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020

	Total Number of Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 Notified by Age Group (27/9/2020-10/11/2020)	As Percentage of Total Cases Notified (n=31,271) (27/9/2020-10/11/2020)
0-4 Years	1100	3.5%
5-12 Years	2073	6.6%
13-19 Years	3859	12.3%
<b>Overall: 0-19 Years</b>	<b>7032</b>	<b>22.5%</b>

Of note as per 2016 Census, there are 1,309,368 children aged from 0-19 years, and therefore 7032 / 1,309,368 = 0.54% of all children 0-19 years were confirmed cases of COVID-19, between 27/9/2020 – 10/11/20.

If you require any further information or clarification please do contact us.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Cuddihy".

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