



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive

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PQ 37300/20: To ask the Minister for Health the number of admissions to accident and emergency departments as a result of accidents involving delivery vans, trucks, buses, cars, farm vehicles, bicycles, electric scooter, motorbikes; and if those admitted were drivers, passengers or pedestrians; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ó Snodaigh,

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.

The attached table was provided to me by the Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO) which is responsible for managing and reporting data from the Hospital In-Patient Enquiry (HIPE) System. The HIPE System is a health information system designed to collect medical and administrative data regarding discharges from, and deaths in, acute public hospitals.

Please note that HIPE does not collect Emergency Department or out-patient data. The figures attached therefore pertain only to patients who were admitted to hospital as a result of their injury. The figures do not include patients who were treated entirely in the ED as the HIPE system does not capture this information.

I am advised that the way that the classification is laid out it was necessary to provide separate tables for pedestrians and for occupants of selected vehicle categories involved in transport accidents. It was also necessary to follow the vehicle categorisation in the classification so that cases of interest would not be omitted.

Table 1 provides information on emergency discharges reported to HIPE with an additional diagnosis (external cause code) of V00-V09 *Pedestrian injured in transport accident*, for the year 2019 (includes both traffic and non-traffic accidents).

Table 2 provides information on emergency discharges reported to HIPE for selected categories of transport accidents, based on the mode of transport (vehicle category), by occupant type, for the year 2019 (includes both traffic and non-traffic accidents).

The second tab provides information on diagnosis codes and also provides some definitions.

Please note that there has been suppression of figures of 5 or less which is in line with HSE policy.

I trust this answer your question.

Yours sincerely,



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