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Deputy Neasa Hourigan,  
Dáil Éireann  
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**PQ 18771/21: To ask the Minister for Health the value to each hospital in the State of the car parking charges system in tabular form in each of the years 2018 and 2019; and if he will also provide whether the system is under the hospitals control or run by a private operator**

Dear Deputy Hourigan,

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

Hospitals introduced car parking charges over the past decade to cover such services' costs without impacting the hospitals' budget for patient services. As demand for car parking at hospitals increases, so too does the associated cost of providing these services, such as the initial capital cost of purchasing or renting parking areas, the cost of developing extra parking spaces, the need to provide and upgrade security systems, provide staffing and general maintenance of the car parks.

The majority of acute hospitals around the country charge for parking at this stage, with nine acute hospitals providing free parking. The HSE does not have a single contract to provide parking services at all hospitals, instead each hospital has its own arrangements, which reflect their particular circumstances. Data collected as part of the Hospital Car Parking Review in 2018 showed that sixteen hospitals use a third party provider to manage their car parks although the car parks may still be owned by the Hospital. Some hospitals may have a third party to service parking meters, entry & exit barriers and security.

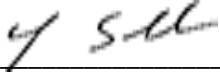
As you will be aware, there are three different types of hospital provision in Ireland:

- Health Service Executive (HSE) Statutory hospitals, owned and funded by the HSE.
- Voluntary public hospitals, most of whose income comes from State funds.
- Private hospitals

Income data is centrally available for HSE Statutory Hospitals only – accordingly the attached table provides the income generated from car parking in 2018 and 2019 for HSE Statutory Hospitals.

I trust the above information is of assistance to you, however, should you require any further details please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yvonne Goff', written over a horizontal line.

**Yvonne Goff**  
**National Director**  
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		<b>Car Park Situation *</b>	<b>Operated by *</b>	<b>Income Generated in 2018</b>	<b>Income Generated in 2019</b>
	<b>IRELAND EAST HOSPITAL GROUP</b>				
1.	Cappagh National Orthopaedic Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	-	-
2.	Mater Misericordiae University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	-	-
3.	Midland Regional Hospital Mullingar	Fee Paying	Hospital	€374,292	€410,115
4.	National Maternity Hospital	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	€0	€0
5.	Our Lady's Hospital - Navan	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€123,183	€128,119
6.	Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	-	-
7.	St. Columcille's Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€147,190	€154,214
8.	St. Luke's Hospital Kilkenny	Fee Paying	Hospital	€440,302	€450,247
9.	St. Michael's Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	-	-
10.	St. Vincent's University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	-	-
11.	Wexford General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	585,138	€583,304
	<b>DUBLIN MIDLANDS HOSPITAL GROUP</b>				
12.	Coombe Women and Infants University Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	-	-
13.	Midland Regional Hospital - Portlaoise	Fee Paying	Hospital	€302,529	€314,832
14.	Midland Regional Hospital - Tullamore	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€418,986	€510,629
15.	Naas General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€129,233	€122,585
16.	St. James's Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	-	-
17.	St. Luke's Radiation Oncology Network	Free	N/A	€0	€0
18.	Tallaght Hospital – Adults & Children	Fee Paying	Private Provider	-	-

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	<b>RSCI HOSPITALS GROUP</b>				
19.	Beaumont Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	-	-
20.	Cavan General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€228,300	€220,049
21.	Connolly Hospital - Blanchardstown	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€587,801	€597,782
22.	Louth County Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€82,724	€80,137
23.	Monaghan General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€44,763	€39,244
24.	Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Drogheda	Fee Paying	Hospital	€458,613	€401,923
25.	Rotunda Hospital	Fee Paying (limited)	Hospital	-	-
	<b>SOUTH/SOUTH WEST HOSPITAL GROUP</b>				
26.	Bantry General Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0
27.	Cork University Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€2,574,979	€2,595,070
28.	Mallow General Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0
29.	Mercy University Hospital Cork	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	-	-
30.	South Infirmary/Victoria University Hospital Cork	Fee Paying	Hospital	-	-
31.	South Tipperary General Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€306,408	€325,490
32.	University Hospital Kerry	Fee Paying	Hospital	€690,365	€715,820
33.	University Hospital Waterford	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,152,498	€1,204,044
	<b>UL HOSPITALS GROUP</b>				
34.	Croom Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0
35.	Ennis Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0
36.	Nenagh Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0

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37.	St John's Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0
38.	University Hospital, Limerick	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,106,169	€1,132,786
39.	University Maternity Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0
	<b>SAOLTA UNIVERSITY HEALTH CARE GROUP</b>				
40.	Galway University Hospitals	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€1,389,725	€1,451,195
41.	Letterkenny University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€90,083	€55,506
42.	Mayo University Hospital	Fee Paying	Hospital	€304,712	€280,424
43.	Portiuncula University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€99,715	€115,037
44.	Roscommon University Hospital	Free	N/A	€0	€0
45.	Sligo University Hospital	Fee Paying	Private Provider	€88,253	€138,443
	<b>CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GROUP</b>				
46.	Children's University Hospital Temple Street	Staff Car Park only	Hospital	-	-
47.	Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin	Fee Paying	Private Provider	-	-
	National Children's Hospital at Tallaght Hospital (included with Adults)			<b>€11,725,961</b>	<b>€12,026,995</b>

\* As per Hospital Car Parking Review Report 2018