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PQ60969/21

To ask the Minister for Health the median and mean length of the average and longest trip by a National Ambulance Service ambulance in 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021. - David Cullinane

PQ60972/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of callouts reached by the National Ambulance Service within 20 minutes and over 20 minutes, by dispatch standard; and the average median and mean and maximum for same. - David Cullinane

PQ60973/21

To ask the Minister for Health the average median and mean distance travelled in a single day by a National Ambulance Service ambulance in 2020 and to date in 2021. - David Cullinane

PQ60970/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulances in the National Ambulance Service fleet by outpost location. - David Cullinane

PQ60974/21

To ask the Minister for Health the largest number of times a National Ambulance Service ambulance was redirected in a single shift between seeing patients. - David Cullinane

PQ60975/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of National Ambulance Service shifts which went overtime by the number of hours of overtime in 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form and as a percentage of all shifts. - David Cullinane

PQ60976/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of National Ambulance Service ambulance trips over 100km, 150km and 200km in tabular form and as a percentage of all trips. - David Cullinane

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To ask the Minister for Health the number of National Ambulance Service ambulance trips over one, two and three hours in tabular form and as a percentage of all trips. - David Cullinane



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Dear Deputy Cullinane,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

By way of context, the data provided relates to NAS vehicles and includes all patient journeys including Emergency Ambulance, Intermediate Care and Critical Care and Retrieval Services as we are not in a position to segregate patient journeys by type.

In relation to **PQ60972/21**, please note that 20 minutes is not a standard which is applicable to NAS.

In relation to the following questions:

PQ60974/21

“To ask the Minister for Health the largest number of times a National Ambulance Service ambulance was redirected in a single shift between seeing patients”

PQ60975/21

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of National Ambulance Service shifts which went overtime by the number of hours of overtime in 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form and as a percentage of all shifts”

This information is not collected as there is no operational reason or administrative capacity to do so.

In relation to **PQ60977/21**, please note that a trip is equal one job cycle time, i.e. the time from mobilisation of resource to incident scene to patient handover at hospital.

I hope the information provided is helpful.

Yours sincerely

Robert Morton
Director
National Ambulance Service



PQ60969/21

	Average and Longest distance travelled	
	Median	Mean
2019	17.78km	450.43km
2020	17.58km	338.8km
2021	21.03km	392.31km

PQ60972/21

	Mean	Median	Maximum
Echo ≤ 20min	00:10:36	00:10:07	00:20:00
Echo > 20min	00:33:17	00:28:34	01:57:04
Delta ≤ 20min	00:11:23	00:11:22	00:20:00
Delta > 20min	00:39:32	00:32:16	05:54:11

PQ60973/21

	Mean Distance Travelled in a 12 hour shift (per vehicle)	
	Median	Mean
2020	195.4km	180.3km
2021	219.4km	206.4km

PQ60970/21

Emergency Ambulances	North Leinster incl. NAS College	West	South
2021	101	104	84

PQ60976/21

	Number of Trips 2021	% of all trips 2021	Number of Trips 2020	% of all trips 2020	Number of Trips 2019	% of all trips 2019
>100k	12,076	1.5%	5,367	0.8%	4,736	0.8%
>150k	2,198	0.3%	853	0.1%	800	0.1%
>200k	1,193	0.1%	522	0.1%	541	0.1%

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>1h	% >1h	>2h	% > 2h	>3h	% >3h	Total
83009	79.44	38595	36.94	9631	9.22	104487