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PQ: 3058/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of medical cards as of 3 December 2020; the number of general practitioner cards on the same date; and the number for each type of card issued on a discretionary basis on that date. -John Lahart.

Dear Deputy Lahart,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (Reference 3058/21), which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The following table is a breakdown of the figures requested as of 31st December, 2020.

No. of People Eligible for Medical Cards	1,584,790
No. of People Eligible for Doctor Visit Cards	529, 842
No. of Discretionary Medical Cards	169,458
No. of Discretionary Doctor Visit Cards	39,028

Yours sincerely,

Suzanne Doyle
Primary Care Eligibility & Reimbursement Service

The Health Service Executive operates the General Medical Services Scheme, which includes Medical Cards and GP Visit Cards, under the Health Act 1970, as amended. It has established a dedicated contact service for members of the Oireachtas specifically for queries relating to the status of Medical Cards and GP Visit Cards applications, which the Deputy / Senator may wish to use for an earlier response. Tel: 01-8647180 / email: Oireachtas.pcrs@hse.ie