



28 January 2021

Deputy Colm Burke, T.D.
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Burke,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question(s), which was submitted to this Department for response.

PQ: 3367/21

To ask the Minister for Health the number of residents in public nursing homes by county from 2011 to 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Details of the number of residents supported under the Nursing Homes Support Scheme in public nursing homes by county are provided below.

County	Number of HSE Supported Clients in Public Nursing Homes as at December of Each Year								
	Dec 2012	Dec 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015	Dec 2016	Dec 2017	Dec 2018	Dec 2019	Dec 2020
Carlow	58	58	53	47	52	47	46	43	39
Cavan	89	85	83	79	77	93	92	84	78
Clare	130	130	129	137	133	126	141	139	132
Cork	631	750	755	777	743	746	746	761	677
Donegal	163	163	161	158	162	154	160	158	139
Dublin	1,207	1,210	1,177	1,162	1,136	1,076	1,075	1,074	994
Galway	211	194	195	200	206	215	219	218	225
Kerry	226	231	236	242	234	227	221	230	205
Kildare	135	137	132	133	126	120	130	121	106
Kilkenny	75	73	62	62	57	65	54	60	56
Laois	134	127	107	99	100	96	104	103	86
Leitrim	112	112	115	116	119	118	113	118	113
Limerick	137	130	132	130	127	129	124	122	111

Longford	60	67	64	59	66	63	63	59	61
Louth	165	148	139	121	123	127	128	128	118
Mayo	218	207	203	195	192	182	193	202	177
Meath	91	92	89	93	93	93	91	92	92
Monaghan	111	87	66	66	64	61	61	61	66
Offaly	123	122	117	119	119	119	121	120	119
Roscommon	145	144	137	134	124	126	125	121	114
Sligo	97	93	97	96	97	95	93	89	84
Tipperary	159	162	164	165	156	147	157	152	152
Waterford	163	162	162	162	146	146	155	151	148
Westmeath	76	83	76	82	43	60	64	74	66
Wexford	155	152	154	151	149	156	152	137	142
Wicklow	129	133	133	131	123	126	129	130	128
Grand Total	5,000	5,052	4,938	4,916	4,767	4,713	4,757	4,747	4,428

The Fair Deal Finance Unit commenced payments on a named client basis to public nursing homes in 2012. Information is not available in this format for 2011.

I hope this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,



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