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Re. PQ 23634/21: To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who were diagnosed with cancer in the State in each of the past five years and to date in 2021.

Dear Deputy Tóibín

The National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) has been requested to reply directly to you in relation to the above PQ.

NCCP only has access to a very small subset of data related to specific tumours. However, the National Cancer Registry of Ireland (NCRI) has a statutory obligation to collate information in relation to cancer incidence, prevalence, stage at diagnosis, treatment, survival and mortality. This type of information will normally only be made available 2 to 3 years after the year of incidence, in keeping with international standards. The NCRI report for 2020 has incidence data for 1994-2018 and estimates for 2018-2020 and can be downloaded from the NCRI website at:

https://www.ncri.ie/sites/ncri/files/pubs/NCRI_Annual%20Report_2020_01122020.pdf

Yours sincerely



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