



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive

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Deputy Martin Browne
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
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PQ 56137 *To ask the Minister for Health the number of ICU beds available in the Midwest and South-East for each of the years 2016 to 2020 and to date in 2021 in tabular form.*

Dear Deputy Browne,

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

The attached report shows the Critical Care Bed Capacity Census which measures capacity as at the end of September each year.

The HSE's critical care bed target was to deliver an additional 66 critical care beds by 31 December 2021 bringing the total to 321 beds. There are currently 42 of these 66 beds open, which is a total of 297 critical care beds now open. An additional 24 critical care beds have yet to be opened to achieve the target of 321.

I trust that this answers your question.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Angela Fitzgerald'.

Angela Fitzgerald
Deputy National Director
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Number of ICU/HDU Beds

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
University Hospital Limerick	16	16	17	18	22	
Clonmel Hospital	4	4	4	4	4	
Waterford University Hospital	9	9	9	9	10	
Kilkenny Hospital	4	4	4	4	4	
Wexford Hospital	5	5	5	5	5	