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Deputy David Cullinane
Dáil Eireann
Dublin 2

RE: To ask the Minister for Health the occupancy rates of paediatric critical care beds averaged across each quarter for 2020 and to date in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Cullinane

See following response to your PQ regarding occupancy rates of paediatric critical care beds averaged across each quarter for 2020 and to date to 2021.

There are currently 32 Paediatric Critical Care beds in the ROI spread across 2 sites – 23 in CHI at Crumlin and 9 in CHI at Temple Street.

The overall occupancy rate for the last 5 years in CHI at Crumlin is 95% and CHI at Temple Street 89%.

Quarterly break down of occupancy figures for 2020 and Q1 to Q3 2021 based on an average of 29 beds open is as follows:

% Occupancy-2020 - 2021

	CHI At Temple Street PICU-9 beds		CHI @Crumlin PICU- 23 beds	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
Quarter 1 (January to March)	99%	79%	92%	89%
Quarter 2 (April to June)	76%	85%	77%	90%
Quarter 3 (July to September)	96%	95%	91%	98%
Quarter 4 - October – to date	69%	100%	90%	100%
Annual Occupancy	85%	89%	87%	95%

NATIONAL OFFICE CLINICAL AUDIT (NOCA) Paediatric Critical Care Annual Report (awaiting publication) the following recommendations are clearly made:



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