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Deputy Imelda Munster
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PQ 38360/22: To ask the Minister for Health the number of dentists that have left the dental treatment service scheme in 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Munster,

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

Adult medical card holders have access to dental services under the Dental Treatment Services Scheme (DTSS) through care provided by private dentists that hold DTSS contracts with the HSE.

The data requested is detailed in the table below for the number of dentists that have exited the dental treatment service scheme due to resignations in 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022

Year (End Q4)	No. of DTSS Contract Holders exits due to resignations
2020	176 resignations
2021	93 resignations
To date 2022	42

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

Joseph Green
AND, National Oral Health Lead - Operations