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Deputy Holly Cairns
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Re: PQ31735/22 To ask the Minister for Health the number of cases of Lyme disease which have been diagnosed in the country annually since 1 January 2015.

Dear Deputy Cairns

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Health to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

Data on number of cases of Lyme disease (neuroborreliosis) in Ireland is available on the HPSC website at <https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/vectorborne/lymedisease/>. There have been a total 83 cases of Lyme disease (neuroborreliosis) notified to HPSC since 2015. Please see the table below for a breakdown of cases by year.

Lyme disease (neuroborreliosis) in Ireland	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
The number of Lyme disease (neuroborreliosis) notifications	12	21	12	13	6	15	4

If you require any further information or clarification please do contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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