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## PQ 58990/22

To ask the Minister for Health the number of times that ambulance drivers have reported being assaulted while on active duty in the State in each of the past ten years and to date in 2022. - Peadar Tóibín

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

The National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for response.

The NAS currently employs approximately 2,000 staff of which about 1,900 work as Advanced Paramedics, Paramedic Supervisors, Paramedics, Community Paramedics, Emergency Call Takers, Emergency Dispatchers, Aeromedical Dispatchers, Critical Care Nurses, Clinical Hub Nurses, Doctors and Intermediate Care Operatives.

We do not hold data on incidents from the requested timeframe. However, the number of incidents reported from 2020 to date is 334.

I trust that this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

William Merriman Director of Operations National Ambulance Service

