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Roisin Shortall,  
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Leinster House,  
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Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Shortall,

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

**PQ 59642/22**

**To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on a waiting list for home care packages; the number experiencing delayed discharge from hospital due to a delay in accessing homecare; and the waiting lists for homecare packages by CHO and LHO in tabular form.**

The Home Support Service is funded by Government to deliver a volume of service each year as approved in the HSE National Service Plan. It is a non-statutory service and access to the current service is based on assessment of the person's needs by the HSE and having regard to the available resources and the competing demands for the services from those people with assessed needs.

Please see Appendix 1 below for a breakdown of the Home Support Waiting List as at end of October 2022 by CHO and LHO. Additionally, the latest available Delayed Transfer of Care Report (DTCR) of 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 shows that of the 660 people delayed in the acute system, 123 were categorised as Type A, Destination Home, 76 of those are waiting for a carer to be assigned.

Yours sincerely,

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**Kathleen Jordan**  
Head of Service – Home Support  
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## Appendix 1: Home Support Waiting List October 2022 by CHO/ LHO.

CHO	LHO	WAITING LIST					
		Funding			Carers		
		Total	New	Additional	Total	New	Additional
CHO 1	Cavan Monaghan	-	-	-	335	65	270
CHO 1	Donegal	-	-	-	205	125	80
CHO 1	Sligo Leitrim	-	-	-	76	28	48
<b>CHO 1</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>616</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>398</b>
CHO 2	Galway	-	-	-	195	68	127
CHO 2	Mayo	-	-	-	287	135	152
CHO 2	Roscommon	-	-	-	103	5	98
<b>CHO 2</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>585</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>377</b>
CHO 3	Clare	-	-	-	292	133	159
CHO 3	Limerick	-	-	-	197	110	87
CHO 3	North Tipperary East Limerick	-	-	-	91	29	62
<b>CHO 3</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>580</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>308</b>
CHO 4	Kerry	-	-	-	362	212	150
CHO 4	North Cork	-	-	-	109	69	40
CHO 4	North Lee	-	-	-	114	78	36
CHO 4	South Lee	-	-	-	649	380	269
CHO 4	West Cork	-	-	-	124	61	63
<b>CHO 4</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>1,358</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>558</b>
CHO 5	Carlow Kilkenny	-	-	-	115	25	90
CHO 5	South Tipperary	-	-	-	104	32	72
CHO 5	Waterford	-	-	-	181	61	120
CHO 5	Wexford	-	-	-	561	229	332
<b>CHO 5</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>961</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>614</b>
CHO 6	Dublin South East	-	-	-	69	18	51
CHO 6	Dun Laoghaire	-	-	-	129	40	89
CHO 6	Wicklow	-	-	-	154	80	74
<b>CHO 6</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>352</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>214</b>
CHO 7	Dublin South City	-	-	-	154	140	14
CHO 7	Dublin South West	-	-	-	229	229	-
CHO 7	Dublin West	-	-	-	234	205	29
CHO 7	Kildare West Wicklow	-	-	-	226	226	-
<b>CHO 7</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>843</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>43</b>
CHO 8	Laois Offaly	-	-	-	288	288	-
CHO 8	Longford Westmeath	-	-	-	48	24	24
CHO 8	Louth	-	-	-	193	63	130
CHO 8	Meath	-	-	-	194	103	91
<b>CHO 8</b>	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>723</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>245</b>
CHO 9	Dublin North	7	4	3	84	53	31
CHO 9	Dublin North Central	-	-	-	6	6	-
CHO 9	Dublin North West	-	-	-	17	5	12
<b>CHO 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>National Total</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6,125</b>	<b>3,325</b>	<b>2,800</b>