



07th November 2022

Deputy Bríd Smith
 Dáil Eireann,
 Leinster House,
 Kildare Street,
 Dublin 2.

PQ 52899/22 - "To ask the Minister for Health the number of qualified educational psychologists currently work within primary care services; the number of qualified educational psychologists currently working within children and adolescent mental health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Smith,

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.

Please see below the most up to date information available for Educational Psychologists within Primary Care in the following table:

Staff Category /Group/ Grade	Grade (code)	WTE Sep 2022	No. Sep 2022
Primary Care		6	7

The HSE do not have any Educational Psychologists employed within CAMHS. Please see below the most up to date information available for Psychologists within Mental Health in the following table:

Mental Health

Sep 2022	WTE Dec 2019	WTE Dec 2020	WTE Aug 2022	WTE Sep 2022	WTE change since	WTE change since	WTE change since	WTE change since	% change since Dec 19	No. Sep 2022
Psychologists	394.	424.	430.	434.	+4.	+10.	+2.3%	+39.	+10.0%	510

All our employment data is available on the HSE Personnel Census website [here](#).

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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