



07th November 2022

Deputy Paul Kehoe
 Dáil Éireann,
 Leinster House,
 Kildare Street,
 Dublin 2.

PQ 53309/22 - "To ask the Minister for Health the number of qualified educational psychologists currently working within primary care services; the number of qualified educational psychologists currently working within CAMHS services; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Kehoe,

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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