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Deputy Fergus O'Dowd.
Leinster House
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PQ 1152/23: To ask the Minister for Health the total amount of monies provided by the HSE to dentists under the dental treatment services scheme contracts for services provided to medical card holders by county in each of the years 2018 to 2022 and to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

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.

Adult medical card holders have access to dental services under the Dental Treatment Services Scheme (DTSS) through care provided by private dentists that hold DTSS contracts with the HSE.

The total value of claims reimbursed (€) for each year end is detailed in Table 1. The attached Excel document details value of claims reimbursed by (Local Health Office) LHO, the data is not available by County as requested.

Table 1: DTSS Data 2018 – 2022 and to date in 2023

Year End	Value of claims reimbursed (€)
2018	€58,788,338
2019	€56,238,325
2020	€40,557,661
2021	€39,595,484
2022	€49,437,639
2023	€4,576,853

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,



Joseph Green
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