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To ask the Minister for Health the estimated or actual number of automated external defibrillators in Ireland; the corresponding figure for the numbers which are public accessible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Denis Naughten

Dear Deputy Naughten,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) 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 Health for response.

The number of defibrillators in Ireland is not a data point that the National Ambulance Service would have access to, due to these devices being widely available to purchase privately. Nor do we have access to the number in total that are publically accessible.

The number of publicly available defibrillators that are entered on the National Ambulance Service database is 3,089.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

William Merriman **Director of Operations** National Ambulance Service

