



Oifig anStiúrthóir
An tSeirbhís Náisiúnta,

Foirgneamh Aibhneacha, Crosbhóthar
Thamhlachta, Tamhlacht,
Baile Átha Cliath D24 XNP2

Office of the Director
National Ambulance Service

Rivers Building, Tallaght Cross
Tallaght, Dublin, D24 XNP2

www.hse.ie
[@hselive](https://twitter.com/hselive)

t 01 4631624/6

Ref: RM/PQ23-4108

9 February 2023

Deputy Michael McNamara TD
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Dublin 2

PQ 4108/23

To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE ambulance dispatches that were recorded in County Clare during 2022; the number of occasions where ambulances arrived at scenes where the patient had already passed away; the hospitals which ambulances brought patients to; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Michael McNamara TD

Dear Deputy McNamara,

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.

We do not report on a per-county basis. Please see below for the regional data

In 2022, the total number of all 999 calls in the MidWest Region for which a NAS resource was dispatched was 30,935.

Where a patient has passed away, i.e. has been declared as deceased by a medical practitioner, NAS does not respond to such calls unless specifically requested by An Garda Síochana, e.g. where the deceased person is in a public place or in suspicious circumstances.

NAS does record the number of 999 calls received for which the patient is triaged as being in Cardiac Arrest (Clinical death in the first 4-6 minutes progressing to Biological death thereafter) at the time of the call. The number of these (PURPLE) calls in MidWest Region in 2022 for which a NAS resource was dispatched was 548.

In 2022, patients conveyed to hospital from County Clare following a 999 call are predominantly to University Hospital Limerick, University Maternity Hospital Limerick and Galway University Hospital.

Yours sincerely

Robert Morton
National Director





**Oifig anStiúrthóir
An tSeirbhís Náisiúnta,**

Foirgneamh Aibhneacha, Crosbhóthar
Thamhlachta, Tamhlacht,
Baile Átha Cliath D24 XNP2

**Office of the Director
National Ambulance Service**

Rivers Building, Tallaght Cross
Tallaght, Dublin, D24 XNP2

www.hse.ie
[@hselive](https://twitter.com/hselive)

t 01 4631624/6

National Ambulance Service

