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Deputy Alan Kelly, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

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RE: PQ Ref 32307/23 Public Health (Sunbeds) Act 2014

Dear Deputy Kelly,

I refer to your Parliamentary Question below:

Question;

To ask the Minister for Health the number of inspections carried out on retailers that offer tanning and sun beds in 2022 and to date in 2023; the number and percentage of these retailers that were in breach of legislation, in tabular form; and the frequency with which these inspections are conducted.

Response;

	2022	Up to 30 June 2023
Total No of Inspections	419	207
Total non-compliant	176	108
% Non-Compliant	42%	52%

In accordance with the Public Health (Sunbeds) Act 2014, the HSE Environmental Health Service carries out a regular programme of inspections of premises that operate sunbeds. This programme also includes a rolling programme of test purchasing and mystery shopping inspections. Follow up action is taken where non - compliances are identified.

I trust this answers your query.

Yours sincerely,

RCEHO

Mr Shane Keane, Regional Chief Environmental Health Officer