



07 June 2023

**Noel Grealish,
Dáil Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.**

Dear Deputy Grealish,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this Department for response.

PQ 24223/23

To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of the number of home support hours delivered nationally in 2022 and to date in 2023; the number of these delivered to new home support clients; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

PQ 24224/23

To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of the number of people to whom home support was delivered nationally in 2022 and to date in 2023; the number of these who were new home support clients; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

The Home Support Service is funded by Government to deliver a volume of service each year as approved in the HSE National Service Plan. It is a non-statutory service and access to the current service is based on assessment of the person's needs by the HSE and having regard to the available resources and the competing demands for the services.

In terms of the requested information referenced in PQ 24223/23, the number of Home Support hours delivered specifically to new Home Support clients is not collated nationally.

In 2022, 20,792,772 hours were delivered nationally across the 9 Community Healthcare Organisations to both new and existing clients. In 2022, 20,056 new clients commenced a home support service.

In 2023 YTD (April) 6,959,355 hours were delivered nationally, these hours were delivered to new and existing clients. In 2023 YTD April, 7,629 new clients commenced a home support service.

With reference to PQ 24224/23, Appendix 1 sets out the total number of clients in receipt of service (point in time) in 2022 and YTD April 2023. Appendix 1 also identifies the total number of new clients in 2022 and YTD April 2023.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen Jordan". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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Appendix 1 - Total number of clients to which Home Support hours were delivered to in 2022 and April YTD 2023 and the total number of New Clients in 2022 and YTD April 2023.

Home Support Activity - NATIONAL SUMMARY 2022	
Description	Total
New Clients	20,056
Total Number of Clients	56,162

Home Support Activity - NATIONAL SUMMARY April 2023 YTD	
Description	Total
New Clients	7,629
Total Number of Clients	56,865