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Deputy Róisín Shortall
Dáil Éireann
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

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Question:

"To ask the Minister for Health the number of doctors who undertook specialist training for general practice in each of the years from 2018 to 2024; the number who completed the training programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter". -Róisín Shortall

Dear Deputy Shortall,

Please see table below which shows the numbers of trainees undertaking GP training and the number who completed GP training between 2018-2024.

The number of GP training places has increased significantly over the last seven years with a 68% growth in the number of GP trainees in efforts to meet the targets set out in the 2015 GP workforce planning report <https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/leadership-education-development/met/plan/workforceplanning/>.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total GPs across all 4 years of training	705	772	801	1014	944	1059	1184
Total graduates*	128*	136	142	161	160	164	171

* General Practice training programme is four years therefore graduates from the programme are based on intakes to training 4 years prior

Yours sincerely,

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