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Deputy O'Rourke, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

PQ 21383/25 To ask the Minister for Health the current audiology waiting lists for both adults and children in each CHO area, by age and length of time waiting; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

- Darren O'Rourke

Dear Deputy O'Rourke,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (21383/25) which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The HSE is committed to delivering efficient high-quality services to all eligible service users. In 2024, there were 56,256 patients seen by HSE Audiology services. Each Health Region is focused on improving access to care in order to reduce waiting times for patients in the context of resources available.

Please find the attached appendix, which contains, in tabular form, details of the HSE Primary Care Audiology waiting list for each health region as of March 2025 which is the latest data available at this time.

Appendix 1 – Primary Care Audiology Waiting List March 2025

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Seán McArt General Manager Primary Care Access & Integration

Audiology - No of Patients waiting for treatment - March 2025																					
RHA	0 - 4 Yrs 11 Months					5 - 17 Yrs 11 Months					18 - 64 Yrs 11 Months					65 Yrs+					
	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks -≤26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks -≤26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks -≤26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	0 - ≤ 12 weeks	>12 weeks -≤26 weeks	>26 weeks but ≤ 39 weeks	>39 weeks but ≤ 52	> 52 weeks	TOTAL
HSE Dublin & Midlands	162	130	142	117	421	338	260	226	407	1,890	199	144	133	110	281	356	329	280	262	636	6,823
HSE Dublin & North East	207	188	122	137	500	316	248	247	332	1,208	146	117	105	90	162	366	323	315	225	266	5,620
HSE Dublin & South East	214	180	140	95	158	263	158	75	135	408	119	103	71	27	77	357	250	172	109	159	3,270
HSE Mid-West	83	43	35	31	42	92	66	57	60	117	59	59	63	67	267	209	164	114	138	725	2,491
HSE South West	195	178	172	142	205	234	156	207	178	204	126	104	78	81	264	357	212	212	198	788	4,291
HSE West & North West	90	78	47	46	75	122	154	95	155	339	80	72	57	80	60	253	211	213	188	203	2,618
National Total	951	797	658	568	1,401	1,365	1,042	907	1,267	4,166	729	599	507	455	1,111	1,898	1,489	1,306	1,120	2,777	25,113

Note: March 2025 data not returned for Galway, Roscommon and Mayo