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**PQ 5196/25: To ask the Minister for Health the total number of dentists employed directly by the HSE in each of the years since 2019, by CHO and LHO, in tabular form.**

Dear Deputy Rice,

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

The number of publicly employed dentists for each year 2019 -2024 is detailed in the attached Excel SpreadSheet.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but if you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

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**Anne O'Neill  
Assistant National Director, Oral Health**

Grade by Staff Category by Hospital/CHO	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Dental Surgeon, Senior	5	5	6	4	4	4
Dental Surgeon, General	18	17	16	16	12	16
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative		1	2	1	4	3
Dental Surgeon, Principal	5	5	6	6	6	6
<b>CHO 1</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	4	3	4	4	4	4
Dental Surgeon, General	14	14	15	15	15	15
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	1	2	2	2	2	2
Dental Surgeon, Principal	2	2	2	2	2	2
<b>CHO 2</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	5	6	6	5	5	5
Dental Surgeon, General	15	14	13	15	14	13
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	3	3	3	3	3	3
Dental Surgeon, Principal	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>CHO 3</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	8	7	9	7	6	6
Dental Surgeon, General	30	28	26	28	32	31
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	1	1	2	6	6	4
Dental Surgeon, Principal	4	4	4	4	3	3
<b>CHO 4</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	6	6	6	5	4	4
Dental Surgeon, General	19	20	20	21	19	20
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	2	3	1	2	4	4
Dental Surgeon, Principal	3	3	3	3	3	2
<b>CHO 5</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	3	3	3	3	3	3
Dental Surgeon, General	11	10	11	9	8	9
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	3	3	3	3	3	3
Dental Surgeon, Principal	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>CHO 6</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	4	3	3	3	4	5
Dental Surgeon, General	23	25	22	21	20	17
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	5	5	5	5	5	5
Dental Surgeon, Principal	2	2	2	2	2	2
Dental Surgeon, Clinical Grade I						
<b>CHO 7</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	5	5	4	4	4	4
Dental Surgeon, General	16	18	16	16	14	14
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	4	3	4	3	4	3
Dental Surgeon, Principal	4	4	2	4	4	4
<b>CHO 8</b>						
Dental Surgeon, Senior	3	3	4	3	4	6
Dental Surgeon, General	20	20	19	21	21	18
Dental Surgeon, Senior Administrative	2	3	3	3	3	2
Dental Surgeon, Principal	3	3	3	3	2	2
<b>CHO 9</b>						