

Mr Peadar Tóibín, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 7971/25* To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a list of all the most expensive machines that is, CT Scanners, MRI machines and so on, that are held in the HSE system; and the number of these that are currently not working; if a maintenance department tasked with keeping these costly machines working and serviced exists; and the steps that are being taken to ensure that machine malfunction do not impact on patient care. -Peadar Tóibín

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

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

Please find enclosed with this response a listing of CT Scanners and MRI machines currently located within the HSE.

With regards to what machines are working and are not working. At any moment in time different machines will present a problem and have down time as a result of a fault or the machine will need to have routine maintenance completed. Nevertheless, all of these machine are on maintenance contract with the equipment suppliers. The type of maintenance contract will be chosen by each hospital site.

When the machine does present a fault the equipment supplier will either repair the machine remotely or their engineer will come on site and repair the machine. Under the supplier's contract, the supplier is obliged to have machines working with an up time of 98% and in general, this results in machines being repaired within 24 to 48hrs of the fault occurring.

To minimise downtime the equipment supplier keeps a stock of spare parts in their Irish premises and also have a contract with an international courier to deliver parts from their European logistics office within 24hrs to the hospital site.

Yours sincerely

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Hospital Reporting Name	Modality	Quantity	HSE Contract	Non HSE Contract
Bantry General Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Beaumont Hospital	СТ	2	2	0
Cavan General Hospital	СТ	2	2	0
Children's Hospital Crumlin	СТ	1	1	0
Children's Hospital Temple St	СТ	1	1	0
Connolly Hospital Blanchardstown	СТ	1	1	0
Cork University Hospital	СТ	3	3	0
Ennis General Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Letterkenny University Hospital	СТ	2	2	0
Louth County Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Mallow General Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Mater Misericordiae University Hospttal	СТ	4	3	1
Mayo University Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Mercy University Hospital	СТ	2	2	0
Merlin Park University Hospital	СТ	1	0	1
Midlands Regional Hospital Mullingar	СТ	3	2	1
Midlands Regional Hospital Portlaoise	СТ	1	1	0
Midlands Regional Hospital Tullamore	СТ	2	2	0
Naas General Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Naas Primary Care	СТ	1	1	0
National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh	СТ	1	0	1
Nenagh General Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Drogheda	СТ	2	2	0
Portiuncula University Hospital	СТ	2	2	0
Roscommon University Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Sligo University Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
South Tipperary General Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
St Columcille's Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
St James's Hospital	СТ	3	3	0
St John's Hospital Limerick	СТ	1	1	0
St Joseph's Hospital, Raheny	СТ	1	1	0
St Lukes General Hospital	СТ	2	2	0
St Lukes Radiation Oncology	СТ	2	0	2
St Vincent's University Hospital	СТ	2	2	0
Tallaght University Hospital	СТ	3	3	0
University Hospital Galway	СТ	3	3	0
University Hospital Kerry	СТ	2	2	0
University Hospital Limerick	СТ	3	3	0
University Hospital Waterford	СТ	2	2	0
Wexford General Hospital	СТ	1	1	0
Total		68	62	6

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Hospital Reporting Name	Modality	Quantity	HSE Contract	Non HSE Contract
Beaumont Hospital	MRI	2	2	0
Cavan General	MRI	1	1	0
Children's Hospital Crumlin	MRI	1	1	1
Children's Hospital Crumlin	MRI	1	0	0
Children's Hospital Temple St	MRI	3	2	1
Connolly Hospital Blanchardstown	MRI	1	1	0
Cork University Hospital	MRI	2	0	2
Letterkenny University Hospital	MRI	1	1	0
Mallow Primary Care Centre	MRI	1	0	1
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital	MRI	2	2	0
Mayo University Hospital	MRI	1	1	0
Mercy University Hospital	MRI	1	0	1
Midlands Regional Hospital Mullingar	MRI	1	1	0
Midlands Regional Hospital Tullamore	MRI	1	1	1
Midlands Regional Hospital Tullamore	MRI	1	0	0
Naas General Hospital	MRI	1	1	0
National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh	MRI	2	2	0
National Maternity Hospital Holles St	MRI	1	0	1
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Drogheda	MRI	2	0	2
Sligo University Hospital	MRI	1	1	0
South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital	MRI	1	0	1
South Tipperary General Hospital	MRI	2	1	1
St James's Hospital	MRI	2	2	0
St Lukes General Hospital	MRI	1	1	0
St Lukes Radiation Oncology	MRI	2	0	2
St Vincent's University Hospital	MRI	2	2	0
Tallaght University Hospital	MRI	2	2	0
University Hospital Galway	MRI	1	1	0
University Hospital Kerry	MRI	1	0	1
University Hospital Limerick	MRI	1	1	0
University Hospital Waterford	MRI	1	1	0
Wexford General Hospital	MRI	1	0	1
Total		44	28	16

PQ 7971/25 Listing of MRI Scanners per location