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Deputy Pádraig Rice, Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Dear Deputy Rice,

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

PQ: 8476/25

To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE home support hours delivered in each month of 2024, by CHO and LHO, in tabular form. -Pádraig Rice

PQ: 9917/25

To ask the Minister for Health to provide a percentage split of home care service provision in each of the years 2019 to 2024 by provider type (details supplied), in tabular form. -Pádraig Rice

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, having regard to the available resources and the competing demands for the service.

Demand for home support continues to increase due to population growth and the increasing dependency of the growing numbers of people aged ≥80years, within the over 65 years' cohort. The home support service is managed by the local Home Support Management Team within each Community Healthcare Organisation/Health Region to ensure that this key service is available at the required times, in a flexible way and at the appropriate standard to support clients' assessed needs.

As of 31st December 2024 YTD (latest available preliminary data), 23.76m Home Support hours were delivered nationally to 58,546 people, an increase of +7.4% in the number of hours delivered when compared to the same period last year. Please find data requested appended to this correspondence.

The HSE is currently transitioning to the new Regional Health Areas (RHAs) structure in line with Sláintecare. Pending finalisation of the structures and the associated data reporting pathways, Home Support data herein is provided at CHO level for the data requested.

Yours sincerely,

Kathleen Jordan Head of Service Services for Older People, Access and Integration Appendix 1: Home Support hours delivered in each month of 2024, by CHO

Home Support Activity - 2024 Total Hours Delivered													
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СНО	Description	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24
National Total		1,916,844	1,866,955	1,873,786	1,884,962	1,977,030	1,962,474	2,011,145	2,051,547	2,031,922	2,061,466	2,065,992	2,057,159
CHO1	Total Hours Delivered	224,449	214,754	224,591	225,275	233,327	231,255	243,680	246,449	235,618	243,598	236,553	238,343
CHO2	Total Hours Delivered	185,057	176,180	180,334	182,478	189,070	178,774	188,402	186,252	181,955	188,184	185,180	183,353
СНОЗ	Total Hours Delivered	154,530	146,539	149,322	151,396	158,900	153,490	163,628	162,173	159,559	165,066	158,031	155,648
CHO4	Total Hours Delivered	245,850	255,840	245,689	251,842	265,382	263,038	259,610	273,883	274,718	274,591	275,504	262,651
CHO5	Total Hours Delivered	165,729	163,880	168,313	165,320	168,077	163,819	173,194	175,891	173,776	176,253	174,666	172,705
CHO6	Total Hours Delivered	159,743	152,220	163,058	161,351	164,500	166,131	168,828	178,172	177,583	177,313	190,164	187,413
CHO7	Total Hours Delivered	227,450	232,291	219,008	234,994	241,770	253,206	243,441	261,707	265,766	271,481	277,214	277,231
CHO8	Total Hours Delivered	225,062	212,034	219,110	220,844	226,111	232,102	238,146	246,610	239,952	228,873	244,874	230,231
CHO9	Total Hours Delivered	328,974	313,218	304,361	291,462	329,892	320,658	332,216	320,411	322,994	336,107	323,806	349,585

Appendix 2: Percentage Split of Service Provision 2019 to 2024

	2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	
	% Direct	% Indirect										
National Total	36.1%	63.9%	37.2%	62.8%	38.7%	61.3%	36.7%	63.3%	41.6%	58.4%	44.0%	56.0%