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Deputy McAuliffe,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

PQ 35855/25 To ask the Minister for Health the national average wait times for audiology appointments; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

- Paul McAuliffe

Dear Deputy McAuliffe,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (35855/25) 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 Primary Care 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.

The HSE national waiting list data is collated on a monthly basis. Due to the current data systems this does not provide average waiting times for Audiology services. I have, however, attached the below appendix, which contains, in tabular form, details of the HSE Primary Care Audiology waiting list for each region as of May 2025 which is the latest data available at this time.

Appendix 1 – Primary Care Audiology Waiting List May 2025

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Seán McArt

General Manager
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Audiology - No of Patients waiting for treatment - May 2025																					
RHA	0 - 4 Yrs 11 Months					5 - 17 Yrs 11 Months					18 - 64 Yrs 11 Months					65 Yrs+					TOTAL
	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	
HSE Dublin & Midlands	185	128	133	134	486	288	332	214	259	2,047	160	153	146	98	303	335	313	300	256	706	6,976
HSE Dublin & North East	198	187	170	119	593	321	253	225	268	1,377	129	121	112	77	156	393	287	324	222	279	5,811
HSE Dublin & South East	282	165	111	109	142	243	217	111	86	454	135	88	73	46	56	337	249	190	107	176	3,377
HSE Mid-West	79	44	43	20	61	103	70	36	54	141	72	50	55	50	276	230	154	130	144	703	2,515
HSE South West	262	152	170	128	142	268	180	90	113	168	131	105	74	65	224	367	226	191	187	692	3,935
HSE West & North West	210	159	127	84	139	292	253	198	216	554	187	135	132	108	402	619	417	474	303	799	5,808
National Total	1,216	835	754	594	1,563	1,515	1,305	874	996	4,741	814	652	592	444	1,417	2,281	1,646	1,609	1,219	3,355	28,422