



Cáilíocht Náisiúnta agus Sábháilteacht Othar

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Re: **PQ ref 38193/25**

To ask the Minister for Health the number of extreme and major incidents reported to the national quality and patient safety directorate in the first six months of each year 2023-2025, by location, in tabular form; and the percentage of category 1 incidents out of the total number of incidents reported.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

I refer to your parliamentary question above which has been referred to HSE National Quality and Patient Safety, Incident Management for response. I can provide incident data recorded on the National Incident Management System. Incident reporting generally is impacted by a number of factors and is not intended as a data collection point but primarily aids as a system that helps incident management and learning from such events. Please be advised that there are data limitations which include potential duplication of incidents, variance in reporting and data validation, etc. The data below was extracted on 11/08/2025. It includes only statutory services (including hospitals). The majority of incidents had no harm or low level harm reported. Please be advised that in some instances the reported event has been recorded as an 'allegation' and we cannot confirm at this time if the event occurred. The definition of Incidents in the HSE is described in the **Incident Management Framework 2020** (page 41), which can be accessed on our website [here](#)

All coverages	2023 (Jan-June)		2024(Jan-June)		2025 (Jan-June)	
Region	Category 1: Major/Extreme	% of Category 1	Category 1: Major/Extreme	% of Category 1	Category 1: Major/Extreme	% of Category 1
HSE Dublin and Midlands Region	39	0.43%	45	0.47%	37	0.39%
HSE Dublin and North East Region	55	0.66%	58	0.70%	35	0.43%
HSE Dublin and South East Region	77	0.72%	46	0.40%	47	0.39%
HSE Mid West Region	41	0.86%	34	0.69%	26	0.51%
HSE South West Region	77	1.15%	63	0.91%	52	0.80%
HSE West and North West Region	90	0.64%	73	0.53%	83	0.47%
Other HSE	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	≤5	0.53%

I trust this clarifies the matter but please do contact me if you require any further information.



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Yours sincerely

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