



Oifig an Stiúrthóir Cúnta Náisiúnta,
Foireann Míchumais Náisiúnta, An Chéad
Urlár - Oifigí 13, 14, 15, Áras Phlásóg na Rós,
Coimpléasc Gnó na hOllscoile, Páirc
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PQ: 40046/25

To ask the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality the number of residential places for people with a disability currently being provided as of 1 June 2025 or latest date available; and if she will provide a breakdown of same, by CHO area, in tabular form.

PQ: 40047/25

To ask the Minister for Children; Disability and Equality the number of new emergency places provided to people with a disability as of 1 July 2025, by local health office area, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Daly,

Thank you for your Parliamentary Questions referenced above, which have been forwarded to me for direct reply.

Residential services make up the largest part of the Disability funding disbursed by the HSE – almost 60% of the total budget – and approximately 90 service providers provide residential services to 8,777 individuals throughout the country.

A number of new Priority 1 residential places have been added to the residential base, which results in a capacity increase. However, it should also be noted that Residential Capacity will also reduce during the year as a result of the loss of places in congregated settings due to deaths, which cannot be re-utilised. This is in keeping with Government policy, which is to move away from institutionalised settings (i.e. Time to Move On from Congregate Settings) where the State is actively implementing a policy that will have a bed reduction impact. In addition, “in-year” capacity (bed) levels will also be impacted negatively as a result of regulatory requirements; that is, where an inspection outcome leads to capacity being reduced.

The HSE developed a Residential Capacity Database to capture the number of residential placements / contract capacity per the service arrangement between the nine CHO areas and the service provider agencies.

Please see Table 1 below which gives the details regarding the number of Residential and Priority 1 Emergency Places available at the end of June 2025. This is the most recent data available. In addition, data is now reported by Regional Healthcare Area.



Residential Services

Table 1 – Residential and Priority 1 Emergency Places end June, 2025

RHAs	Residential Places Available to end June 2025	Priority 1 Emergency Places Developed to end June 2025
HSE Dublin & Midlands	1,748	27
HSE Dublin & North East	2,016	21
HSE Dublin & South East	1,519	14
HSE Mid-West	843	12
HSE South West	1,172	9
HSE West & North West	1,479	15
Grand Total	8,770	98

Yours Sincerely,

Tom McGuirk,
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