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Deputy Rice,
Dáil Éireann,
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PQ 42704/25 To ask the Minister for Health the average wait time for urgent referrals for dietetics services, by regional health area and integrated healthcare area, in tabular form

- Pádraig Rice

Dear Deputy Rice,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question (42704/25) 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 77,710 patients seen by HSE Primary Care Dietetics 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.

Please find the attached appendix, which contains, in tabular form, details of the HSE Primary Care Dietetics waiting list for each LHO area as of June 2025 which is the latest data available at this time. Nationally, average wait times for referrals to community dietetics services, regardless of urgency, are not recorded. Instead, waiting list data is collated using defined time intervals, ranging from 0–12 weeks to over 52 weeks.

Appendix 1 – HSE Primary Care Dietetics Waiting List June 2025

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

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Dietetics - No of Patients waiting for treatment - June 2025																						
RHA	Former LHO	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	Dublin South City	16	16	3	2	0	6	6	4	1	0	10	4	10	8	11	37	14	14	10	11	183
	Dublin South West	7	1	2	0	0	2	1	1	2	0	2	0	1	0	174	8	0	0	0	192	393
	Dublin West	49	15	9	3	2	22	10	7	8	4	61	1	13	8	63	89	9	13	16	46	448
	Kildare West Wicklow	91	29	14	3	6	36	17	20	9	15	4	2	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	256
	Laois Offaly	11	7	8	4	68	5	11	9	8	225	16	34	32	33	339	27	24	35	17	251	1,164
	Longford Westmeath	48	73	41	13	42	43	56	43	51	219	40	28	18	19	143	59	27	9	11	55	1,038
	HSE Dublin & Midlands	222	141	77	25	118	114	101	84	79	463	133	69	74	68	730	230	74	71	54	555	3,482
HSE Dublin & North East	Cavan Monaghan	30	28	27	19	17	16	16	18	10	39	35	36	32	12	190	103	70	45	24	109	876
	Dublin North	87	42	24	10	24	45	27	14	12	30	377	99	36	30	26	201	104	39	23	18	1,268
	Dublin North Central	57	44	13	2	2	28	20	2	0	3	111	56	9	8	5	97	63	26	22	7	575
	Dublin North West	61	25	20	17	9	37	13	11	12	18	52	22	19	15	10	67	20	14	10	9	461
	Louth	12	7	0	0	0	12	7	2	0	0	96	75	25	25	76	65	29	11	10	28	480
	Meath	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	122	42	22	18	61	176	45	9	6	17	523
	HSE Dublin & North East	248	147	84	48	52	139	84	48	34	90	793	330	143	108	368	709	331	144	95	188	4,183
HSE Dublin & South East	Carlow, Kilkenny	34	21	7	3	3	17	21	7	8	11	121	90	34	30	56	83	52	25	4	26	653
	Dublin South East	23	13	22	6	19	6	7	5	0	12	39	8	8	4	2	41	22	8	1	8	254
	Dun Laoghaire	7	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	57	5	2	1	1	42	9	0	3	1	134
	South Tipperary	37	31	14	15	71	19	17	8	12	93	75	60	45	38	139	78	82	37	35	74	980
	Waterford	30	38	27	28	26	17	23	25	25	46	96	73	74	46	38	76	57	23	21	29	818
	Wexford	13	18	15	7	53	16	9	15	8	65	112	115	72	51	243	86	89	25	18	59	1,089
	Wicklow	60	8	5	1	0	17	10	5	3	3	63	28	12	15	4	81	27	14	21	7	384
	HSE Dublin & South East	204	129	90	60	172	97	88	65	56	230	563	379	247	185	483	487	338	132	103	204	4,312
HSE Mid-West	Clare	23	16	10	0	1	31	30	14	1	0	102	86	29	16	17	98	66	18	8	7	573
	Limerick	24	23	7	8	9	29	31	23	21	61	198	202	43	45	67	188	116	40	24	24	1,183
	North Tipperary East Limerick	6	1	0	0	0	9	2	1	0	0	47	37	32	40	21	46	28	16	15	12	313
	HSE Mid-West	53	40	17	8	10	69	63	38	22	61	347	325	104	101	105	332	210	74	47	43	2,069
HSE South West	Kerry	32	32	15	13	65	33	22	20	20	198	76	60	49	51	302	96	42	23	27	163	1,339
	North Cork	32	23	9	14	15	20	22	7	11	18	77	62	45	38	54	67	25	12	14	24	589
	North Lee	83	42	24	27	28	35	28	22	33	52	130	86	46	80	150	91	44	14	16	52	1,083
	South Lee	47	10	1	0	0	46	5	2	0	0	170	12	0	0	0	107	15	1	0	0	416
	West Cork	12	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	53	5	0	0	0	52	7	0	0	0	148
	HSE South West	206	107	49	54	108	153	77	51	64	268	506	225	140	169	506	413	133	50	57	239	3,575
HSE West & North West	Donegal	14	0	0	0	0	77	10	1	0	0	270	80	35	24	30	188	63	26	20	39	877
	Galway	62	50	36	16	16	41	26	24	9	17	71	27	12	15	34	73	19	11	9	28	596
	Mayo	31	13	14	3	4	23	13	10	2	16	60	39	11	15	18	57	16	10	7	13	375
	Roscommon	4	8	6	3	6	10	6	5	8	22	21	30	17	34	77	15	11	8	6	34	331
	Sligo, Leitrim	30	19	10	8	4	34	15	28	15	23	236	123	43	35	83	189	115	35	30	73	1,148
	HSE West & North West	141	90	66	30	30	185	70	68	34	78	658	299	118	123	242	522	224	90	72	187	3,327
National Total		1,074	654	383	225	490	757	483	354	289	1,190	3,000	1,627	826	754	2,434	2,693	1,310	561	428	1,416	20,948