



9th June 2025

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PQ 29553/25

To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that have contacted the HSE drug and alcohol helpline in and to-date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy O'Hara,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to your above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position:

The number of people who have contacted the HSE Helpline during 2025 to the end of May is outlined in the table below:

HSE Drugs and Alcohol Helpline Jan 1st 2025 to 30th May 2025					
All Addiction Contacts(calls & emails)	All Alcohol	All Cocaine	All Cannabis	All Benzodiazepines	All Opioids
2245	1260	440	208	207	165

For the Deputy's interest, the most recent full report relates to calls to the Helpline during 2023 and is available at the following link <https://www.drugsandalcohol.ie/42967/>

Full report for 2024 will be available later this year.

I hope that this answers your query and if I can be of further assistance please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Prof Eamon Kennan
HSE Clinical Lead Addiction Services

