



Ref: PQ 52970/25

23rd October 2025

Deputy Marie Sherlock
Dáil Eireann
Dublin 2

Dear Deputy Sherlock

I refer to your parliamentary question below.

PQ 52970/25 – To ask the Minister for Health the number waiting on trolleys in emergency departments and wards in all CHI operated hospitals, by month from January 2025 to September 2025 and by ages 0-1, 2-3, 4-8, 9-12, 13-16; in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Children's Health Ireland (CHI) Response:

Please see information you require from Children's Health Ireland (CHI) below.

The number waiting on trolleys in Emergency Departments at CHI*		
Month	9 hour trolley breach	24 hour trolley breach
January	134	8
February	190	9
March	159	20
April	95	8
May	52	0
June	57	0
July	55	35
August	20	6
September	59	25

*The above figures are recorded on the National TrolleyGAR report for CHI. These breaches are recorded three times per day at 08.00, 14.00 and 20.00. the above figures are the number of breaches, not the number of patients. Please note that the same patient could be counted more than once if they are in the emergency department at the above mentioned times.

CHI does not keep records of individual patients waiting on trolleys, and we are unfortunately unable to identify the number of patients and age groups.

CHI can advise that patients are not placed on trolleys in wards and the above data is only reflective of the Emergency Departments at CHI.

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