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To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulances and number of paramedic cars stationed in each of the LEAs in County Clare, from 2020 to 2025, in tabular form; her plans to increase the number of both; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Donna McGettigan

Dear Deputy McGettigan,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for response.

NAS operate a model of dynamic ambulance deployment. This framework aligns with international best practice, and enables the NAS to direct resources preferentially toward high-acuity cases demanding immediate emergency intervention. Dynamic deployment also allows the NAS to categorise non-serious or non-life-threatening calls, and to provide a resource appropriate to the patient's clinical need. This does mean that at particularly busy periods, lower acuity calls will be liable to experience a longer wait for an ambulance, and this has become more of a challenge in recent years with the continuous growth in activity volume.

There are 9 x Emergency Ambulance bases within the Mid West, with 2 x RRV's serving the region along with an Intermediate Care Service, Community Paramedic service, Pathfinder, Alternative Prehospital Pathway Car and a Nursing and Residential Triage Specialist Paramedic (NART).

In response to the above, please tables below which outline the figures requested, which is the funded cover in Co. Clare.

2020-2023 Day Shift

	Mon		Tues		Wed		Thurs		Fri		Sat		Sun	
	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV
Kilrush	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Ennistymon	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Scarriff	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Ennis	3	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	2	1	2	1





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Kilrush	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Ennistymon	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Scarriff	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Ennis	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1

2024-2025 Day Shift

	Mon		Tues		Wed		Thurs		Fri		Sat		Sun	
	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV
Kilrush	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Ennistymon	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Scarriff	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Ennis	4	1	3	1	3	1	4	1	3	1	2	1	2	1

2024-2025 Night Shift

	Mon		Tues		Wed		Thurs		Fri		Sat		Sun	
	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV	EA	RRV
Kilrush	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Ennistymon	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Scarriff	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Ennis	3	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	3	1	3	1	3	1

The Mid West operate an RRV/paramedic car service from Nenagh and Ennis through dedicated rosters, operating 7 days per week.

NAS continues to seek for New Service Developments to improve services across the Country through the HSE Service Plan on an annual basis. All new development posts are allocated to RHAs based on demand and performance figures at the time of allocation.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Niall Murray
 General Manager
 National Ambulance Service

