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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the current staffing levels of the child and adolescent mental health services, the adult mental health services and the old age psychiatry services, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Bernard J. Durkan

## Dear Deputy Durkan

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the 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 information is not available in the manner requested, i.e. per sub-specialty. I can provide information for the totality of Mental Health Services for March 2024 and this is summarised by Staff Category in the table below. WTE data for December, 2019, 2022 and 2023 is also included. The Employment Report is published monthly on the HSE website and a link to the March report is attached.

Mental Health Employment Report	Dec-19	Dec-22	Dec-23	Mar-24
Total	9,968	10,454	10,838	10,940
Medical Dental	888	1,013	1,069	1,071
Nursing Midwifery	4,778	4,924	4,965	5,091
Health Social Care Professionals	1,364	1,518	1,586	1,574
Management Admin	1,014	1,068	1,223	1,217
General Support	712	685	655	652
Patient Client Care	1,212	1,246	1,340	1,335

Source: HSE Employment report March 2024



https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/mental-health-employment-report-mar-20241.pdf

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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