

**Deputy Duncan Smith**  
**Houses of the Oireachtas**  
**Kildare St**  
**Dublin 2.**

1<sup>st</sup> July 2024

**Parliamentary Number:** 27184/24

**Parliamentary Question:** *'To ask the Minister for Health the number of births that occurred in the maternity unit of Portiuncula University Hospital in 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form'*

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Dear Deputy Smith

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above parliamentary question:

<b>Births at Portiuncula University Hospital</b>	<b>2023 (Jan-Dec)</b>	1384
	<b>2024 (Jan-May)</b>	531

I trust that this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely



**Mr. James Keane**  
**General Manager**