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**PQ 19835/24 : To ask the Minister for Health the total number of staff at assistant national director level in the HSE and various Section 38 organisations in the health service on 1 March 2020, 1 March 2021, 1 March 2022, 1 March 2023 and 1 March 2024. - Jim O'Callaghan**

**PQ 19836/24 To ask the Minister for Health the total number of staff at National Director level in the HSE on 1 March 2024 and at same month over the previous five years. -Jim O'Callaghan**

Dear Deputy,

I refer to your recent PQs – detailed above – which have been passed to the HSE for response.

Workforce reports are available through the Health Services Personnel Census (HSPC), which is the official employment count for the public health service. The latest available employment information is routinely published. Please see this link for March 2024 data. <https://www.hse.ie/eng/staff/resources/our-workforce/workforce-reporting/health-services-employment-report-mar-2024.pdf>

Please see the tables below which identify the numbers employed at National and Assistant National Director grade in the HSE and S38 agencies.

National Director	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>HSE</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Section 38</b>				<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
National Director	17	19	22	24	19

Assistant National Director	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>HSE</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>146</b>
Section 38	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>35</b>
Assistant National Director	151	160	161	183	181

I trust this clarifies and is of some assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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