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***PQ 20241/24 – To ask the Minister for Health whether the HSE provides data to the RSA on all road traffic injuries treated in emergency departments and minor injury clinics; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Patrick Costello***

Dear Deputy Costello,

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.

HIPE is a health information system, managed by the Healthcare Pricing Office (HPO) of HSE Finance and is designed to collect clinical and administrative data on discharges from, and deaths in, acute public hospitals in Ireland. HIPE discharges are clinically coded from charts in the hospitals, this includes translating medical terminology into alpha-numeric code and using the entire chart to extract the conditions and procedures to create an adequate picture of the patient's health care encounter.

HIPE colleagues have advised this data is not available as data is only collected on patients that are admitted to hospital.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours Sincerely,

**Nessa Lynch**  
**General Manager**  
**Acute Operations**