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Deputy Peadar Tóibín Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2 21th May 2024

PQ 21708/24 - To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in the State waiting for hip replacement surgery at the end of each of the past ten years; the average waiting length in each of the past ten years; and if a county by county breakdown can be provided of this figure, in tabular form – Peadar Tóibín

Dear Deputy Tóibín

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.

## Response:

In relation to your request above, the HSE does not hold information centrally around this specific query. As such this query was referred to the NTPF who collect and collate national waiting list information.

Table 1. Below provides the number of patients waiting for hip replacement surgery over the past 10 years at year end.

The NTPF have advised that the current health system does not collect the data necessary to calculate average wait times. In particular, the time to treat patients who have already received their care is not collected. The NTPF collects data on patients currently on the waiting list and the average time that these patients have been waiting is provided here.

Further detail of the information provided in Table 1. is broken out by county/jurisdiction are in the attachment provided.

Table 1. Number of patients waiting for hip replacement surgery over the past 10 years

	0-6	6-12	12-18	18+	SmallVol	Grand
Year	Months	Months	Months	Months	ТВ	Total
23/12/2014	1030	471	67		141	1709
31/12/2015	1026	452	57		118	1653
30/12/2016	1201	528	140		141	2010
29/12/2017	1124	396	63	26	139	1748
20/12/2018	1168	216	17	7	128	1536
19/12/2019	1061	135	30	27	115	1368
23/12/2020	908	137	86	63	190	1384
23/12/2021	1061	163	50	78	149	1501
22/12/2022	1197	247	27	58	158	1687
28/12/2023	1228	251	28	17	160	1684

I trust that this answers your question.

Yours sincerely,

Trish King,

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