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Re: PQ 41837/24
To ask the Minister for Health the number of incidents reported to the National Incident Management System, by each hospital nationwide, over the past decade, in tabular form.

Dear Deputy Toíbín

I refer to your parliamentary question above which has been referred to HSE Quality and Patient Safety Incident Management for response. I can provide incident data recorded on the National Incident Management System for statutory hospitals. Incident reporting generally is impacted by a number of factors. Incident reporting is not focused on nor optimized for statistical analysis but primarily aids as a system that helps incident management and learning from such events. Please be advised that records on NIMS may reflect different data points collected for the same incident and that there are data limitations and anomalies that include potential duplication of incidents, variance in reporting and limited data validation, etc. The data below was extracted on the 30th October for HSE statutory Hospitals - it does not include voluntary hospitals.

The following table displays the number of records extracted from NIMS with the following criteria: any incidents where location is a statutory hospital, date of occurrence is on or after 1st Jan 2014. Please note this data includes near misses, no harm incidents, property damage, motor incidents, dangerous occurrences, and harm incidents.

Year of occurrence	Number of records logged in NIMS by statutory hospitals
2014	33,836
2015	36,084
2016	37,836
2017	47,333
2018	54,173
2019	55,228
2020	56,934
2021	60,886
2022	67,696
2023	67,262
2024	52,702
Grand Total	569,970

 Yours sincerely

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