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Deputy Paul Lawless TD,

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Dear Deputy Lawless,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the following Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to this Department for response.

PQ 46857/24

To ask the Minister for Health the number of public nursing home beds in each county, for each of the past ten years.

Bed data was historically collated as aligned to CHO/LHO structures which normally followed county boundaries. All bed data is now collated as aligned to the new Health Region structures.

Publicly managed nursing homes are undergoing major structural transformation under the Capital Investment Programme to bring all facilities up to SI293 standards. This has resulted in fluctuations in bed capacity.

Total Bed Stock (Long and Short Stay Beds) in publicly managed and Section 38 Residential Care Facilities for each LHO as per National Older Persons Bed Register Report 2018 to 2024 (please see footnote below).

LHO	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Carlow / Kilkenny	190	195	195	195	158	153	153
Cavan / Monaghan	197	197	197	197	199	196	196
Clare	224	224	194	193	180	180	178
Donegal	394	381	381	356	332	328	351
Dublin North	150	150	150	150	149	147	147
Dublin North Central	105	99	99	63	62	47	47
Dublin North West	501	466	448	448	474	452	436
Dublin South City	499	480	474	462	413	318	327
Dublin South East / Wicklow	408	408	408	408	372	366	362
Dublin South West	55	55	55	55	48	48	47
Dun Laoghaire	50	50	46	46	46	34	34
Galway	328	334	322	337	308	308	310
Kerry	331	314	344	375	348	348	348
Kildare West Wicklow	315	320	320	319	267	272	266
Laois / Offaly	264	264	264	253	231	227	227
Limerick	196	191	183	248	200	200	269
Longford / Westmeath	160	156	156	148	149	148	148
Louth	167	167	141	146	130	128	137
Mayo	383	379	379	379	349	351	351
Meath	94	94	94	92	94	94	94
North Cork	133	133	159	159	148	148	134
North Lee	158	159	182	159	138	138	138

Roscommon	154	152	164	164	119	119	119
Sligo / Leitrim	316	313	272	272	273	263	251
South lee	473	465	467	487	394	399	471
South Tipperary	173	146	146	146	127	127	127
Tipperary / East Limerick	114	114	114	54	112	112	112
Waterford	218	221	221	221	210	225	225
West Cork	256	261	261	230	206	206	216
Wexford	211	211	211	215	195	195	195
Wicklow	92	92	92	110	110	110	110
Grand Total	**7309**	**7191**	**7139**	**7087**	**6541**	**6387**	**6526**

Please note that prior to 2018 bed data was collated using a summary ledger format.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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