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Deputy David Cullinane, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Dublin 2

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Dear Deputy Cullinane,

## PQ46904.25

To ask the Minister for Health the number of times the National Ambulance Service issued a NASCAP Level 2, 3, and 4 notice, for each relevant day for the period 2022 to 2024, inclusive. -David Cullinane

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for response.

The NASCAP (National Ambulance Service Capacity Action Plan) provides a comprehensive framework of actions to NAS management to be considered in the event of increased demand on levels of service. The levels are used to determine which actions are required to protect core services at each level of pressure. They ensure proportionate and safe levels of service are provided within the resources available.

NASCAP is informed by actual and potential disruptions to service. It communicates to all relevant parties the level of pressure facing the organisation and the escalating actions to be considered to manage the response to that pressure. The considerations and actions contained within NASCAP are designed to protect staff, patients, and organisational capacity.

NASCAP is a 7 day look forward process.

It is possible to provide this information for 2024 only.

NASCAP LEVEL	NO OF TIMES DURING 2024
NASCAP Level 1	4
NASCAP Level 2	45
NASCAP Level 3	4
NASCAP Level 4	0
NASCAP Level 5	0





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I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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