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1. Asylum and Immigration

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

- [Direct Provision System](#), Holly Cairns (Cork South West, Social Democrats)

Department of Justice and Equality

- [Immigration Support Services](#), Thomas Pringle (Donegal, Independent)
- [Asylum Seekers](#), Colm Burke (Cork North Central, Fine Gael)

2. Child Protection/ Children in Care/ Child and Youth Services

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

- [Child Protection](#), Carol Nolan (Laois-Offaly, Independent)
- [Child Protection](#), Peadar Tóibín (Meath West, Aontú)
- [Child Protection](#), Catherine Connolly (Galway West, Independent)
- [Youth Services](#), Francis Noel Duffy (Dublin South West, Green Party)

Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht

- [Child Protection](#), Mark Ward (Dublin Mid West, Sinn Féin)

Department of Education and Skills

- [Social Media](#), Richard O'Donoghue (Limerick County, Independent)

Department of Justice and Equality

- [Online Safety](#), Marian Harkin (Sligo-Leitrim, Independent)

Debates

Seanad debates, [Children in Care and Children Leaving Care: Statements](#)

3. Disability and Special Educational Needs

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Education and Skills

- [Special Educational Needs](#), Alan Farrell (Dublin Fingal, Fine Gael)
- [Special Educational Needs](#), Seán Canney (Galway East, Independent)
- [School Admissions](#), Réada Cronin (Kildare North, Sinn Féin)
- [Special Educational Needs](#), Holly Cairns (Cork South West, Social Democrats)
- [Special Educational Needs](#), Donnchadh Ó'Laoghaire (Cork South Central, Sinn Féin)

Debates

Dáil debate, [Special Educational Needs](#)

Dáil debate, [Disability Funding Report](#)

4. Early Childhood Education and Care

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

- [Early Childhood Care and Education](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)

Department of Health

- [Childcare Services](#), James O'Connor (Cork East, Fianna Fáil)

5. Education

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Education and Skills

- [Third Level Education](#), Mary Lou McDonald (Leader of the Opposition; Dublin Central, Sinn Féin)
- [School Staff](#), Marian Harkin (Sligo-Leitrim, Independent)
- [School Inspections](#), Gary Gannon (Dublin Central, Social Democrats)
- [Covid-19 Pandemic](#), Richard Boyd Barrett (Dún Laoghaire, People Before Profit Alliance)
- [Apprenticeship Programmes](#), Rose Conway-Walsh (Mayo, Sinn Féin)
- [Bullying in Educational Institutions](#), Niamh Smyth (Cavan-Monaghan, Fianna Fáil)
- [Bullying in Educational Institutions](#), Marian Harkin (Sligo-Leitrim, Independent)
- [School Funding](#), James O'Connor (Cork East, Fianna Fáil)
- [School Meals Programme](#), Neasa Hourigan (Dublin Central, Green Party)
- [Departmental Schemes](#), Catherine Connolly (Galway West, Independent)
- [Educational Disadvantage](#), John Lahart (Dublin South West, Fianna Fáil)
- [Education Welfare Service](#), Jennifer Murnane O'Connor (Carlow-Kilkenny, Fianna Fáil)
- [School Transport](#), Jackie Cahill (Tipperary, Fianna Fáil)
- [School Staff](#), Mick Barry (Cork North Central, Solidarity)
- [Departmental Policies](#), Colm Burke (Cork North Central, Fine Gael)

Debates

Oireachtas Joint Committee on Education and Skills, [Leaving Cert Reform: Discussion \(Resumed\)](#)

Dáil debate, [Education \(Health, Relationships and Sex Education\) Bill 2021: Second Stage](#)

Dáil debate, [Third Level Fees](#)

Dáil debate, [School Admissions](#)

Seanad debate, [Education Schemes](#)

6. Health and Mental Health

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Health

- [Departmental Strategies](#), Thomas Gould (Cork North Central, Sinn Féin)
- [National Children's Hospital](#), Imelda Munster (Louth, Sinn Féin)
- [Mental Health Services](#), John Lahart (Dublin South West, Fianna Fáil)
- [Departmental Funding](#), David Cullinane (Waterford, Sinn Féin)

Debates

Oireachtas Joint Committee on Health, [General Scheme of the Mental Health \(Amendment\) Bill 2021: Mental Health Commission](#)

Oireachtas Joint Committee on Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, [Experiences of Migrant Communities Engaging with the Healthcare System and State Bodies: Discussion](#)

Dáil debate, [Mental Health Services](#)

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Seanad debate, [Paediatric Scoliosis Services: Statements](#)

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7. Justice/ Human Rights/ Equality

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Justice and Equality

- [Drug Dealing](#), Ruairi Ó' Murchú (Louth, Sinn Féin)
- [Departmental Strategies](#), Christopher O'Sullivan (Cork South West, Fianna Fáil)
- [Domestic Violence](#), John Lahart (Dublin South West, Fianna Fáil)
- [Domestic Violence](#), Catherine Connolly (Galway West, Independent)

Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection

- [Family Law Cases](#), Catherine Murphy (Kildare North, Social Democrats)
- [Domestic Violence](#), Jennifer MacNeill (Dún Laoghaire, Fine Gael)

Debates

Oireachtas Joint Committee on Justice, Defence and Equality, [General Scheme of the Criminal Justice \(Hate Crime\) Bill 2021: Discussion](#)

Dáil debate, [Mother and Baby Institutions: Statements](#)

Dáil debate, [Sex Offenders \(Amendment\) Bill 2021: Second Stage](#)

8. Social Welfare/ Poverty/ Housing

Parliamentary Questions - Written Answers

Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection

- [Social Welfare Benefits](#), Neale Richmond (Dublin Rathdown, Fine Gael)
- [Social Welfare Benefits](#), Éamon Ó'Cuív (Galway West, Fianna Fáil)
- [Poverty Impact Assessment](#), Brian Leddin (Limerick City, Green Party)
- [Social Welfare Payments](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Food Poverty](#), Francis Noel Duffy (Dublin South West, Green Party)
- [Social Welfare Payments](#), Brendan Griffen (Kerry, Fine Gael)
- [Social Welfare Eligibility](#), Denis Naughten (Roscommon-Galway, Independent)
- [Child Poverty](#), Neasa Hourigan (Dublin Central, Green Party)

Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government

- [Emergency Accommodation](#), Cian O'Callaghan (Dublin Bay North, Social Democrats)
- [Homeless Persons Supports](#), Neasa Hourigan (Dublin Central, Green Party)
- [Traveller Accommodation](#), Joan Collins (Dublin South Central, Independents 4 Change)

Debates

Seanad debate, [Traveller Accommodation](#)

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