

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2008

Question

Would the Minister advise members of the average cost of dispensing a prescription (excluding the cost of the medicines) to outpatients at the General Hospital?

Answer

The average cost of dispensing a prescription to outpatients at the General Hospital was £2.30 in the year 2007. This figure has been arrived at by dividing the total number of outpatient prescriptions (129,575) by the estimated employment costs of the relevant staff (£298,583).