

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 30th JUNE 2020**

**Question**

Will the Minister advise members of –

- (a) the current number of ventilators and continuous positive airway pressure (C.P.A.P) units available for use in the Island;
- (b) the current stock of personal protective equipment (P.P.E.) available to meet a potential new wave of Covid-19 (or another infectious virus); and
- (c) the current waiting time for new stocks of P.P.E. to be received by the Government of Jersey from the world market?

**Answer**

- a) The Government of Jersey has 36 invasive ventilators, 39 non-invasive ventilators and 40 Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (C.P.A.P.) units.
- b) The sufficiency of the current stock of PPE available to meet a potential new wave of Covid-19 would need to account for several factors relating to the extent of that new wave, such as incidence, prevalence, severity of disease, length of second wave and the purposes for which the PPE is used (treatment, testing, prevention and so on). Notwithstanding the extent of these currently unknown factors, the key items of the current stock of PPE are:

FFP3/FFP2 Masks (providing protection against aerosol generating procedures)	51,560
Surgical Masks (providing protection in more general less high-risk environments)	1,374,150
Gloves	2,069,960
Sterile Gowns	9,320
Non-Sterile Gowns	144,810
Plastic Aprons	1,445,000
Visors	333,145
Goggles	6,319
Hand Sanitiser	33,000 litres

*Stock at 23 June 2020*

This level of stock, managed through the Government of Jersey PPE Portal, is currently sufficient to be able to respond to risks associated with a potential new wave of COVID-19.

(c) the current waiting time for new stocks of P.P.E. to be received by the Government of Jersey from the world market?

Current waiting times for PPE Stock are under one week as this is sourced via the quality assured Global Pandemic Stock held by the UK Department of Health & Social Care (DHSC). This also gives us the ability to source emergency stock if required.