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**Update on Payments Awarded for Covid-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment And
Enhanced Illness Benefit - Statistics**

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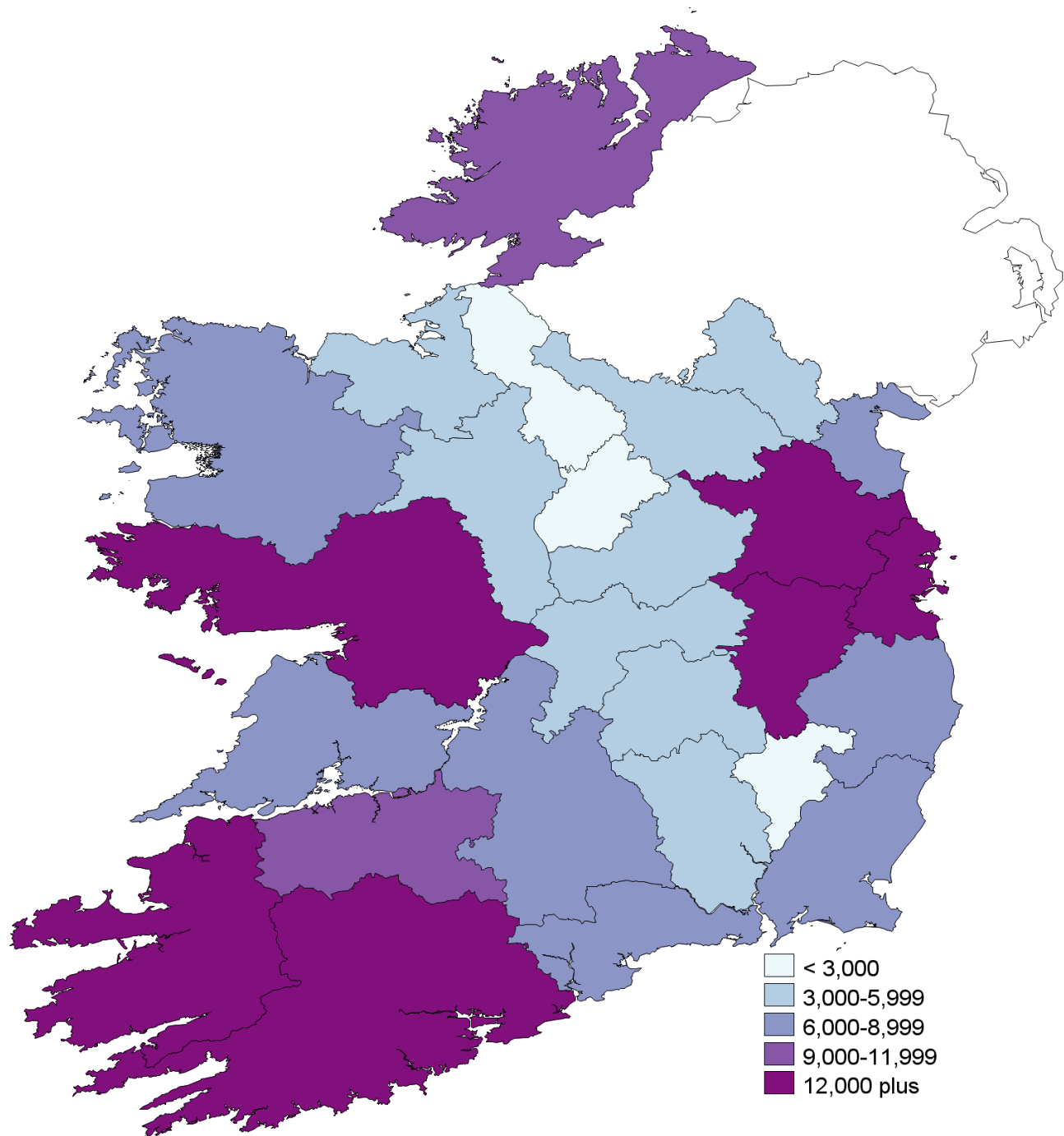
Analysis of Pandemic Unemployment Payments

There are 309,515 people in receipt a Pandemic Unemployment Payment of which 143,725 are female and 165,790 are male.

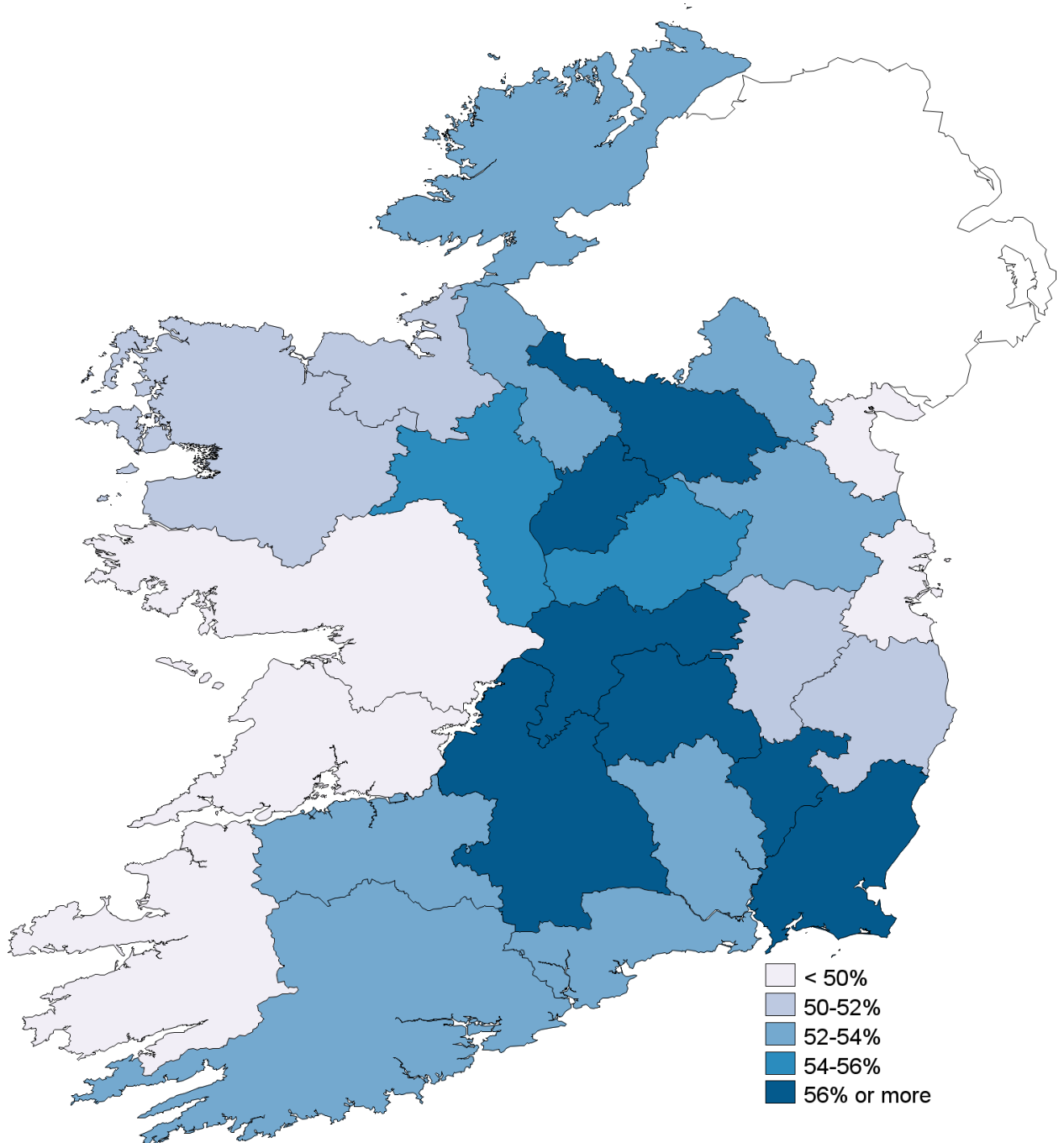
County Breakdown

County	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 1st June	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 25th May	Number of people in receipt of a Pandemic Unemployment Payment at its peak in week commencing 4th May 2020
Carlow	2,898	3,194	7,114
Cavan	4,278	4,643	9,941
Clare	7,533	8,170	14,869
Cork	29,447	32,317	62,460
Donegal	10,796	11,567	22,594
Dublin	104,909	111,566	174,163
Galway	16,984	18,290	33,132
Kerry	12,331	13,328	22,217
Kildare	13,170	14,325	26,720
Kilkenny	5,526	6,052	11,491
Laois	4,292	4,756	9,700
Leitrim	1,881	2,025	4,044
Limerick	10,597	11,554	21,964
Longford	1,953	2,127	4,403
Louth	8,567	9,275	16,983
Mayo	8,179	8,904	16,381
Meath	12,829	13,837	26,614
Monaghan	3,990	4,128	8,284
Offaly	3,962	4,287	9,067
Roscommon	3,470	3,751	7,577
Sligo	3,799	4,102	7,725
Tipperary	7,648	8,446	18,515
Waterford	6,583	7,201	13,662
Westmeath	5,199	5,664	11,353
Wexford	8,748	9,636	20,441
Wicklow	8,967	9,728	18,502
County not included	979	1,120	2,184
Total	309,515	333,993	602,100

Total pandemic unemployment payments by county



% decrease in number of recipients of PUP payments since peak, by county



Pandemic Unemployment Payment Sector breakdowns

The sector with the highest number of people in receipt of the Pandemic Unemployment Payment is Accommodation and Food Service Activities (90,126) followed by Wholesale and Retail Trade (46,434) and Administrative and support service activities (29,250).

Sector Breakdown

Sector Breakdown	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 25 th May	Number of people in receipt of a Pandemic Unemployment Payment at its peak in week commencing 4 th May 2020
Industrial Sector			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	4,204	4,396	8,704
Manufacturing	15,760	16,832	39,554
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	1,069	1,138	2,150
Construction	26,480	28,758	84,169
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	46,434	54,391	94,240
Transportation and storage	9,020	9,337	18,130
Accommodation and food service activities	90,126	93,687	131,230
Information and communication activities	6,652	6,870	11,304
Financial and insurance activities	6,181	6,628	11,455
Real Estate activities	4,617	4,930	7,865
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	12,045	12,472	24,199
Administrative and support service activities	29,250	30,603	44,986
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	4,682	4,998	10,354
Education	9,086	9,487	21,552
Human Health And Social Work activities	9,259	9,781	23,668
Arts, entertainment and recreation	10,309	10,814	14,211
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	16,031	20,031	39,090
Unclassified or unknown	8,310	8,840	15,239
Total	309,515	333,993	602,100

Note: The sector breakdowns are estimated from the NACE code of the last known employer.

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Rates breakdown by sector

Industrial Sector	Number of people in receipt of €350 on 1st June	Number of people in receipt of €300 on 1st June	Number of people in receipt of €250 on 1st June	Number of people in receipt of €203 on 1st June
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	1,849	763	712	880
Manufacturing	9,146	2,435	1,950	2,229
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	725	121	96	127
Construction	16,764	3,365	2,805	3,546
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	17,763	9,096	9,639	9,936
Transportation and storage	5,208	1,317	1,198	1,297
Accommodation and food service activities	36,618	18,780	18,188	16,540
Information and communication activities	3,502	908	987	1,255
Financial and insurance activities	3,100	842	929	1,310
Real Estate activities	2,000	814	837	966
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	6,582	1,843	1,597	2,023
Administrative and support service activities	15,034	4,867	4,351	4,998
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	1,923	656	807	1,296
Education	3,477	1,498	1,787	2,324
Human Health And Social Work activities	3,715	1,666	1,826	2,052
Arts, entertainment and recreation	3,919	1,728	2,031	2,631
Other Sectors	5,554	3,055	3,270	4,152
Unclassified or unknown	1,557	730	1,105	4,918
Total	138,436	54,484	54,115	62,480

Note: The sector breakdowns are estimated from the NACE code of the last known employer.

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Age Profile

Age category	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 25 th May
< 25	80,109	86,500
25-34	67,668	72,884
35-44	66,597	71,819
45-54	52,643	56,956
55+	42,498	45,834
Total	309,515	333,993

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Rates breakdown by gender

Gender	Number of people in receipt of €350 on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of €300 on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of €250 on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of €203 on 1 st June
Male	87,909	26,517	23,533	27,831
Female	50,527	27,967	30,582	34,649
Total	138,436	54,484	54,115	62,480

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Rates breakdown by age

Age category	Number of people in receipt of €350 on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of €300 on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of €250 on 1 st June	Number of people in receipt of €203 on 1 st June
< 25	18,597	18,010	21,780	21,722
25-34	36,742	12,773	9,125	9,028
35-44	36,715	9,886	8,785	11,211
45-54	27,069	7,619	7,586	10,369
55+	19,313	6,196	6,839	10,150
Total	138,436	54,484	54,115	62,480

Analysis of People who Closed their PUP Claim to Return to Work

Some 16,384 people who have closed their account for return to work reasons in the week up to June 1st of which 7,812 are male and 8,572 are female.

County	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 1 st June	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 25 th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 18 th May
Carlow	160	303	276
Cavan	254	428	417
Clare	409	664	655
Cork	1,865	3,002	2,987
Donegal	546	837	845
Dublin	4,831	6,710	6,578
Galway	892	1,358	1,408
Kerry	809	1,006	962
Kildare	792	1,195	1,352
Kilkenny	323	600	499
Laois	249	476	498
Leitrim	83	151	153
Limerick	672	1,034	1,058
Longford	110	177	204
Louth	378	754	740
Mayo	424	783	771
Meath	630	1,097	1,186
Monaghan	197	325	321
Offaly	222	390	439
Roscommon	177	326	336
Sligo	184	341	325
Tipperary	449	827	857
Waterford	354	659	637
Westmeath	281	518	525
Wexford	536	951	948
Wicklow	500	773	825
County not included	57	139	118
Total	16,384	25,824	25,920

Closed Pandemic Unemployment Payments - Sector Breakdown

The top three sectors from which employees closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment to return to work are Wholesale and Retail Trade (4,086), Accommodation and food service activities (3,483), and Other Sectors (2,205).

Sector Breakdown

	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 1 st June	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 25 th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 18 th May
Industrial Sector			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	149	221	231
Manufacturing	773	1,170	1,126
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	46	74	64
Construction	1,809	2,381	3,033
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	4,086	7,441	4,739
Transportation and storage	263	326	346
Accommodation and food service activities	3,483	3,113	2,396
Information and communication activities	188	279	238
Financial and insurance activities	226	441	320
Real Estate activities	187	283	264
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	474	638	579
Administrative and support service activities	1,032	1,352	1,318
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	179	305	320
Education	300	404	500
Human Health And Social Work activities	308	554	602
Arts, entertainment and recreation	399	465	368
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	2,205	5,855	8,930
Unclassified or unknown	277	522	546
Total	16,384	25,824	25,920

Note: The sector breakdowns are estimated from the NACE code of the last known employer.

Closed Pandemic Unemployment Payments – Age Profile

Age category	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 1st June	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 25th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 18th May
< 25	4,639	5,703	4,532
25-34	3,565	5,739	6,014
35-44	3,531	5,995	6,941
45-54	2,735	4,792	5,203
55+	1,914	3,595	3,230
Total	16,384	25,824	25,920

Analysis of COVID-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit

To date, 153,336 people have been medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 related Illness Benefit payment, of whom 82,152 are female and 71,184 are male.

Some 1,215 people are currently in receipt of an Enhanced Illness Benefit payment.

County Breakdown (based on the county recorded on the Illness Benefit certificate)

County	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 1 st June	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 25 th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 18 th May
Carlow	2,149	2,143	2,140
Cavan	3,670	3,656	3,650
Clare	3,077	3,073	3,061
Cork	15,938	15,889	15,829
Donegal	4,657	4,608	4,562
Dublin	42,990	42,786	42,558
Galway	8,893	8,856	8,823
Kerry	3,353	3,347	3,341
Kildare	6,815	6,782	6,736
Kilkenny	3,395	3,383	3,373
Laois	2,781	2,773	2,768
Leitrim	674	669	663
Limerick	5,843	5,808	5,790
Longford	1,279	1,276	1,274
Louth	4,653	4,639	4,636
Mayo	4,014	4,004	3,990
Meath	6,637	6,601	6,562
Monaghan	3,232	3,227	3,222
Offaly	2,552	2,531	2,512
Roscommon	1,970	1,959	1,950
Sligo	1,567	1,570	1,564
Tipperary	5,156	5,148	5,137
Waterford	5,067	5,058	5,056
Westmeath	2,458	2,445	2,426
Wexford	5,530	5,510	5,493
Wicklow	3,835	3,817	3,802
Other (NI & Foreign Address)	1,151	1,139	1,136
Total	153,336	152,697	152,054

Covid-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit - Sector Breakdown

The sectors with the highest number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 Illness Benefit payment to date are Wholesale and Retail Trade (33,526) and Human Health and Social Work (27,909), followed by Manufacturing (20,981).

Sector Breakdown	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 1 st June	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 25 th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 18 th May
Industrial Sector			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	1,998	1,986	1,976
Manufacturing	20,981	20,891	20,819
Electricity, gas, steam supply; Water supply; Sewerage, waste management	863	858	855
Construction	7,746	7,661	7,588
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	33,526	33,434	33,301
Transportation and storage	6,106	6,059	6,047
Accommodation and food service activities	8,733	8,685	8,649
Information and communication activities	2,717	2,696	2,668
Financial and insurance activities	5,696	5,677	5,652
Real Estate activities	1,195	1,185	1,178
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	5,521	5,483	5,464
Administrative and support service activities	13,213	13,193	13,147
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	5,965	5,947	5,909
Education	4,379	4,329	4,292
Human Health And Social Work activities	27,909	27,844	27,763
Arts, entertainment and recreation	1,276	1,267	1,262
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	4,590	4,582	4,566
Unclassified or unknown	922	920	918
Total	153,336	152,697	152,054

Note: The sector breakdowns are estimated from the NACE code of the last known employer.

Enhanced Illness Benefit Age Profile

Age category	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 1 st June	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 25 th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 18 th May
< 25	24,350	24,366	24,292
25-34	38,834	38,696	38,525
35-44	40,199	39,989	39,784
45-54	30,217	30,052	29,954
55+	19,736	19,594	19,499
Total	153,336	152,697	152,054