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Department of Social Protection

**Update on Payments Awarded for Covid-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit –
Statistics – 7th June 2022**

These statistics are provisional and are subject to revision.

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To date 511,274 people have been medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 related Illness Benefit payment, of whom 272,971 are female and 238,303 are male.

Some 2,092 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 07 th June 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 31 st May 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 24 th May 2022 |
|------------------|--|---|---|
| Carlow | 7,128 | 7,112 | 7,095 |
| Cavan | 9,816 | 9,793 | 9,786 |
| Clare | 12,249 | 12,196 | 12,143 |
| Cork | 54,761 | 54,576 | 54,379 |
| Donegal | 16,333 | 16,293 | 16,243 |
| Dublin | 133,455 | 133,084 | 132,747 |
| Galway | 31,773 | 31,670 | 31,565 |
| Kerry | 14,896 | 14,820 | 14,742 |
| Kildare | 23,415 | 23,352 | 23,294 |
| Kilkenny | 11,307 | 11,263 | 11,237 |
| Laois | 9,553 | 9,529 | 9,510 |
| Leitrim | 3,092 | 3,086 | 3,079 |
| Limerick | 20,200 | 20,120 | 20,054 |
| Longford | 4,691 | 4,677 | 4,670 |
| Louth | 14,846 | 14,804 | 14,765 |
| Mayo | 14,622 | 14,577 | 14,539 |
| Meath | 22,833 | 22,781 | 22,722 |
| Monaghan | 8,162 | 8,152 | 8,140 |
| Offaly | 8,608 | 8,585 | 8,552 |
| Roscommon | 6,710 | 6,690 | 6,673 |
| Sligo | 6,730 | 6,707 | 6,684 |
| Tipperary | 17,661 | 17,615 | 17,568 |
| Waterford | 15,189 | 15,140 | 15,093 |
| Westmeath | 9,895 | 9,863 | 9,843 |
| Wexford | 17,727 | 17,653 | 17,597 |
| Wicklow | 13,404 | 13,354 | 13,315 |
| County not known | 2,218 | 2,215 | 2,206 |
| Total | 511,274 | 509,707 | 508,241 |

Table 1 a – Analysis of Enhanced Illness Benefit for week 27/05/22 to 02/06/22

In the week from Friday, 27th May 2022 to Thursday, 02nd June 2022, some 3,862 people were medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 related Illness Benefit payment, of whom 2,492 are female and 1,370 are male.

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 in the week of 27th May to 2nd June 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit in the week of 20th May to 26th May 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit in the week of 13th May to 19th May 2022 |
|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Carlow | 47 | 36 | 65 |
| Cavan | 48 | 41 | 83 |
| Clare | 103 | 70 | 132 |
| Cork | 461 | 322 | 540 |
| Donegal | 140 | 83 | 149 |
| Dublin | 839 | 551 | 983 |
| Galway | 268 | 196 | 319 |
| Kerry | 158 | 112 | 177 |
| Kildare | 153 | 112 | 198 |
| Kilkenny | 104 | 76 | 128 |
| Laois | 72 | 57 | 88 |
| Leitrim | 36 | 24 | 26 |
| Limerick | 199 | 149 | 209 |
| Longford | 40 | 40 | 50 |
| Louth | 115 | 74 | 110 |
| Mayo | 121 | 91 | 171 |
| Meath | 125 | 112 | 195 |
| Monaghan | 48 | 37 | 44 |
| Offaly | 82 | 51 | 86 |
| Roscommon | 49 | 31 | 56 |
| Sligo | 65 | 37 | 89 |
| Tipperary | 127 | 98 | 160 |
| Waterford | 122 | 94 | 155 |
| Westmeath | 97 | 74 | 98 |
| Wexford | 138 | 105 | 159 |
| Wicklow | 90 | 66 | 110 |
| County not included | 15 | 11 | 11 |
| Total | 3,862 | 2,750 | 4,591 |

Table 2 – 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 (108,074) and Human Health and Social Work (64,505), followed by Manufacturing (62,386).

| Sector Breakdown | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 7th June 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 31st May 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 24th May 2022 |
|--|---|---|---|
| Industrial Sector | | | |
| Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying | 6,189 | 6,180 | 6,164 |
| Manufacturing | 62,386 | 62,140 | 61,893 |
| Electricity, gas, steam supply; Water supply; Sewerage, waste management | 3,085 | 3,083 | 3,074 |
| Construction | 33,662 | 33,567 | 33,445 |
| Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles | 108,074 | 108,100 | 108,158 |
| Transportation and storage | 19,691 | 19,601 | 19,513 |
| Accommodation and food service activities | 54,445 | 54,449 | 54,573 |
| Information and communication activities | 9,507 | 9,460 | 9,378 |
| Financial and insurance activities | 16,419 | 16,275 | 16,139 |
| Real Estate activities | 4,251 | 4,247 | 4,211 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical activities | 19,537 | 19,400 | 19,211 |
| Administrative and support service activities | 42,520 | 42,220 | 42,048 |
| Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security | 19,780 | 19,635 | 19,499 |
| Education | 17,701 | 17,639 | 17,511 |
| Human Health and Social Work activities | 64,505 | 64,314 | 64,126 |
| Arts, entertainment and recreation | 7,932 | 7,905 | 7,887 |
| Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons | 19,444 | 19,349 | 19,269 |
| Unclassified or unknown | 2,146 | 2,143 | 2,142 |
| Total | 511,274 | 509,707 | 508,241 |

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

Table 2 a Enhanced Illness Benefit - Sector Breakdown for week 27/05/22 to 02/06/22

The sectors with the highest number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of the Enhanced Illness Benefit payment in the week of 27th May 2022 to 2nd June 2022 are Wholesale and Retail Trade (827) and Human Health and Social Work activities (618), followed by Manufacturing (421).

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|--|--|--|--|
| Industrial Sector | | | |
| Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying | 35 | 24 | 43 |
| Manufacturing | 421 | 327 | 564 |
| Electricity, gas, steam supply; Water supply; Sewerage, waste management | 23 | 15 | 23 |
| Construction | 178 | 130 | 216 |
| Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles | 827 | 553 | 956 |
| Transportation and storage | 134 | 118 | 170 |
| Accommodation and food service activities | 398 | 274 | 447 |
| Information and communication activities | 61 | 41 | 71 |
| Financial and insurance activities | 139 | 99 | 145 |
| Real Estate activities | 33 | 23 | 37 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical activities | 139 | 67 | 129 |
| Administrative and support service activities | 326 | 253 | 404 |
| Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security | 122 | 96 | 171 |
| Education | 155 | 97 | 163 |
| Human Health and Social Work activities | 618 | 464 | 754 |
| Arts, entertainment and recreation | 54 | 30 | 62 |
| Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons | 181 | 123 | 212 |
| Unclassified or unknown | 18 | 16 | 24 |
| Total | 3,862 | 2,750 | 4,591 |

Table 3 – Enhanced Illness Benefit Age Profile

| Age category | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 07th June 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 31st May 2022 | Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 24th May 2022 |
|---------------------|--|---|---|
| < 25 | 109,297 | 109,118 | 108,990 |
| 25-34 | 128,972 | 128,611 | 128,292 |
| 35-44 | 131,542 | 131,093 | 130,686 |
| 45-54 | 90,017 | 89,670 | 89,337 |
| 55+ | 51,446 | 51,215 | 50,936 |
| Total | 511,274 | 509,707 | 508,241 |

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|---------------------|--|--|--|
| < 25 | 389 | 280 | 439 |
| 25-34 | 903 | 576 | 1001 |
| 35-44 | 1,168 | 836 | 1411 |
| 45-54 | 886 | 603 | 1057 |
| 55+ | 516 | 455 | 683 |
| Total | 3,862 | 2,750 | 4,591 |