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Department of Social Protection

**Update on Payments Awarded for Covid-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit –
Statistics – 12th July 2022**

These statistics are provisional and are subject to revision.

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Table 1 – Analysis of COVID-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit

To date 534,031 people have been medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 related Illness Benefit payment, of whom 286,012 are female and 248,019 are male.

Some 8,486 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 12th July 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 5th July 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 28th June
Carlow	7,417	7,316	7,266
Cavan	10,123	10,018	9,926
Clare	12,883	12,703	12,557
Cork	57,710	56,714	55,892
Donegal	16,958	16,774	16,606
Dublin	138,074	136,596	135,560
Galway	33,413	32,937	32,464
Kerry	16,001	15,700	15,386
Kildare	24,469	24,169	23,819
Kilkenny	1,1787	11,649	11,535
Laois	10,003	9,864	9,735
Leitrim	3,215	3,174	3,141
Limerick	21,246	20,961	20,688
Longford	4,889	4,818	4,763
Louth	15,405	15,256	15,094
Mayo	15,497	15,233	14,958
Meath	23,696	23,437	23,182
Monaghan	8,357	8,300	8,247
Offaly	9,052	8,953	8,804
Roscommon	7,009	6,909	6,819
Sligo	7,084	6,963	6,857
Tipperary	18,484	18,208	17,955
Waterford	15,861	15,657	15,484
Westmeath	10,268	10,137	10,062
Wexford	18,630	18,366	18,124
Wicklow	14,160	13,915	13,762
County not known	2,340	2,323	2,248
Total	534,031	527,050	520,934

Table 1 a – Analysis of Enhanced Illness Benefit for week 01/07/22 to 07/07/22

In the week from Friday, 1st July 2022 to Thursday, 7th July 2022, some 10,846 people were medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 related Illness Benefit payment, of whom 6,541 are female and 4,305 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 1st July to 7th July 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit in the week of 24th June to 30th June 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit in the week of 17th June to 23rd June 2022
Carlow	128	126	106
Cavan	173	129	118
Clare	330	249	213
Cork	1,377	1,034	744
Donegal	333	261	214
Dublin	2,193	1,845	1,310
Galway	860	649	456
Kerry	449	423	306
Kildare	499	354	270
Kilkenny	230	199	157
Laois	234	155	135
Leitrim	68	57	31
Limerick	484	384	295
Longford	102	80	57
Louth	280	262	186
Mayo	416	305	246
Meath	402	330	256
Monaghan	114	89	60
Offaly	207	229	113
Roscommon	125	98	77
Sligo	220	134	97
Tipperary	369	294	210
Waterford	316	295	223
Westmeath	205	150	122
Wexford	420	335	288
Wicklow	292	253	192
County not included	20	13	15
Total	10,846	8,732	6,497

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 (111,100) and Human Health and Social Work (67,599), followed by Manufacturing (65,650).

Sector Breakdown	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 12th July 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 5th July 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 28th June 2022
Industrial Sector			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	6,417	6,347	6,278
Manufacturing	65,650	64,726	63,857
Electricity, gas, steam supply; Water supply; Sewerage, waste management	3,312	3,267	3,212
Construction	34,913	34,526	34,113
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	111,100	109,885	108,889
Transportation and storage	20,760	20,465	20,202
Accommodation and food service activities	55,224	54,812	54,468
Information and communication activities	10,278	10,101	9,935
Financial and insurance activities	17,981	17,586	17,261
Real Estate activities	4,503	4,458	4,389
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	21,040	20,672	20,365
Administrative and support service activities	44,618	43,918	43,390
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	21,140	20,830	20,533
Education	18,545	18,306	18,060
Human Health and Social Work activities	67,599	66,665	65,889
Arts, entertainment and recreation	8,302	8,134	8,057
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	20,399	20,143	19,864
Unclassified or unknown	2,250	2,209	2,172
Total	534,031	527,050	520,934

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 01/07/22 to 07/07/22

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 1st July 2022 to 7th July 2022 are Wholesale and Retail Trade (2,422) and Human Health and Social Work activities (1,509), followed by Manufacturing (1,442).

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Industrial Sector			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	96	76	46
Manufacturing	1,442	1,177	833
Electricity, gas, steam supply; Water supply; Sewerage, waste management	68	45	33
Construction	562	423	277
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	2,422	1,865	1,436
Transportation and storage	426	361	251
Accommodation and food service activities	1,066	888	660
Information and communication activities	184	131	95
Financial and insurance activities	357	312	199
Real Estate activities	73	81	53
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	411	295	242
Administrative and support service activities	868	731	527
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	334	259	198
Education	360	318	269
Human Health and Social Work activities	1,509	1,232	944
Arts, entertainment and recreation	163	142	110
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	471	368	303
Unclassified or unknown	34	28	21
Total	10,846	8,732	6,497

Table 3 – Enhanced Illness Benefit Age Profile

Age category	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 12th July 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 5th July 2022	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 28th June 2022
< 25	109,325	108,363	110,461
25-34	134,150	132,692	131,012
35-44	137,832	136,043	134,078
45-54	96,094	94,492	92,290
55+	56,630	55,460	53,093
Total	534,031	527,050	520,934

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< 25	1,777	1,159	832
25-34	2,546	2,030	1,511
35-44	2,782	2,433	1,859
45-54	2,299	1,875	1,413
55+	1,442	1,235	882
Total	10,846	8,732	6,497