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# Notes

Data relating to Recipients and Beneficiaries, unless otherwise stated, refer to the numbers on the 31st December each year. See introduction for further details.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

- Not Applicable
- n.a. Not Available

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### **Foreword from the Minister**

I welcome the publication of the 32nd edition of the Statistical Information on Social Welfare Services. This 2014 edition of the Annual Statistical Report provides comprehensive information on all programmes administered by the Department of Social Protection.

We must remember that each and every one of these statistics represents a real person or family, making it all the more imperative that we realise that the efficient delivery of services is not just about numbers and performance targets but about supporting all our citizens in these challenging times.

The main features of the Department's activities in 2014 were:

- Total Social Welfare expenditure was €19,831 million (compared to €20,287 million in 2013), representing 32.4% of gross current government expenditure and 10.7% of GDP;
- Over 1.4 million people were in receipt of a weekly Social Welfare payment,
   which was paid in respect of over 2.2 million beneficiaries;
- Expenditure on Pensions increased by 2.2% to €6,595 million. Payments were made to just under 563,000 people in this area.
- There was almost €4,932 million spent on Working Age Income Supports, a decrease of 10.4% on the previous year. Within this, expenditure on Jobseeker's supports decreased by 8.9% to almost €3,345 million. This Government in accordance with its commitments maintained primary welfare rates in Budget 2014;
- Spending on Working Age Employment Supports increased by 4.3% to over
   €1,035 million, as a result of higher take up of labour market programmes
   and the introduction of new schemes such as Job Initiative and Gateway;

- Expenditure on Carer's Allowance increased by 0.8% to just over €559 million while that on Carer's Benefit increased by 5.4% to just under €24 million. The numbers in receipt of a Carer's payment increased from 58,734 to 61,149 an increase of 4.1%;
- 615,335 families received a monthly Child Benefit payment, which was paid in respect of 1,177,589 children;
- Family Income Supplement was paid to 50,306 families an increase of 13.9% over 2013 and benefitted 111,583 children. Expenditure on Family Income Supplement increased by 13.8% to almost €298 million;
- The number of pending claims (i.e. backlogs) declined by 0.7% in 2014, with particularly strong reductions in the Jobseeker's Allowance and Oneparent Family Payment processing areas (-20.4% and -42.3% respectively).

This report illustrates and charts the progress being made in developing services, in tandem with wider Government aims and objectives that have at their core the delivery of opportunities to people of all ages.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to the staff throughout the Department, for their continued efforts in implementing the Government's programme of social welfare protection, support and reform during this challenging period.

Ba mhaith liomsa mo bhuíochas a ghabháil le foireann na Roinne a chabhraíonn le muintir na tíre gach aon lá.

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Tánaiste and Minister for Social Protection



## Réamhrá an Aire

Cuirim fáilte roimh fhoilsiú an 32ú heagrán d'Eolas Staitistiúil ar Sheirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh. Soláthraíonn eagrán 2014 den Tuarascáil Staitistiúil Bhliantúil seo faisnéis chuimsitheach ar gach clár a riarann an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí.

Ní mór dúinn a chuimhneamh go léiríonn gach uile cheann de na staitisticí seo fíordhuine nó fíortheaghlach, agus tá sé níos ríthábhachtaí, dá bharr, go dtuigimid go mbaineann níos mó ná uimhreacha agus spriocanna feidhmíochta le soláthar seirbhísí – baineann tacú lenár saoránaigh go léir i gcaitheamh na dtráthanna dúshlánacha seo.

Ba iad príomhghnéithe ghníomhaíochtaí na Roinne in 2014:

- Ba é an caiteachas iomlán ar Leas Sóisialach €19,831 milliún (i gcomparáid le €20,287 milliún in 2013), a léiríonn 32.4% den ollchaiteachas reatha rialtais agus 10.7% den olltáirgeacht intíre (GDP);
- Bhí íocaíocht sheachtainiúil Leasa Shóisialaigh á fáil ag os cionn 1.4 milliún duine, agus íocadh seo maidir le breis agus 2.2 milliún tairbhí;
- Tháinig méadú 2.2% ar an gcaiteachas ar phinsin aníos go dtí €6,595 milliún. Rinneadh íocaíochtaí maidir le beagán faoi bhun 563,000 duine sa limistéar seo.
- Caitheadh nach mór €4,932 milliún ar Thacaíochtaí Ioncaim Aois Oibre, ar laghdú 10.4% é seo ar an mbliain roimhe sin. Laistigh de seo, tháinig laghdú 8.9% ar an gcaiteachas ar thacaíochtaí Cuardaitheora Poist anuas go dtí nach mór €3,345 milliún. Rinne an Rialtas seo, i gcomhréir lena ghealltanais, na bunrátaí leasa a choimeád i mBuiséad 2014;
- Tháinig méadú 4.3% ar an gcaitheamh ar Thacaíochtaí Fostaíochta Aois
   Oibre aníos go dtí os cionn €1,035 milliún, mar gheall gur ghlac níos mó
   daoine le cláir an mhargaidh shaothair agus gur tugadh scéimeanna nua
   isteach, ar nós Tionscnamh Jabanna agus Gateway;

- Tháinig méadú 0.8% go dtí beagán de bhreis ar €559 milliún ar an gcaiteachas ar Liúntas Cúramóra agus tháinig méadú 5.4% go dtí beagán faoi bhun €24 milliún ar Shochar Cúramóra. Tháinig méadú ar na daoine a raibh íocaíocht Chúramóra á fáil acu aníos ó 58,734 go dtí 61,149, ar méadú 4.1% é seo;
- Fuair 615,335 teaghlach íocaíocht mhíosúil Sochar Linbh, a íocadh maidir le 1,177,589 leanbh;
- Íocadh Forlíonadh Ioncaim Teaghlaigh le 50,306 teaghlach, ar méadú 13.9% é seo i gcomparáid leis an mbliain 2013 agus chuaigh sí chun sochair 111,583 leanbh. Tháinig méadú 13.8% go dtí nach mór €298 milliún ar chaiteachas ar Fhorlíonadh Ioncaim Teaghlaigh;
- Tháinig laghdú 0.7% in 2014 ar an líon éileamh a bhí ar feitheamh
   (i.e. riaráistí), agus tháinig laghduithe an-tréana ar na limistéir phróiseála
   Liúntas Cuardaitheora Poist agus Íocaíocht Teaghlaigh Aontuismitheora
   (-20.4% agus -42.3%, faoi seach).

Déanann an tuarascáil seo an dul chun cinn a léiriú agus a rianú atá á dhéanamh i seirbhísí a fhorbairt, ar aon dul le haidhmeanna agus cuspóirí níos fairsinge an Rialtais a bhfuil soláthar deiseanna ag a gcroílár do dhaoine de gach aois.

Ar deireadh, ba mhian liom mo bhuíochas a chur in iúl don fhoireann ar fud na Roinne, as ucht a n-iarrachtaí leantacha chun clár um chosaint leasa shóisialaigh, tacaíochta agus athchóirithe an Rialtais a chur i bhfeidhm i rith na tréimhse dúshlánaí seo.

Ba mhaith liomsa mo bhuíochas a ghabháil le foireann na Roinne a chabhraíonn le muintir na tíre gach aon lá.

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### Introduction

#### General

This is the thirty-second issue of the annual "Statistical Information on Social Welfare Services" prepared by the Department of Social Protection. It sets out comprehensive data relating to services provided by the Department.

The statistics set out in this report relate to 2014 and earlier years. In the case of data relating to recipients and beneficiaries, the figures, unless otherwise stated, refer to the 31st December each year. Several tables, which provide a breakdown of recipients or beneficiaries by some characteristic such as number of dependants or age, are refered to as "estimated". This means that the proportionate breakdown, which is considered to be a reliable estimate, was established at a date other than, but close to, 31st December.

Expenditure figures for 2014 are provisional pending certification by the Comptroller and Auditor General.

#### **Source of Data**

The source for the statistics presented, unless otherwise stated, is the Department of Social Protection.

#### **Time Series and Changes to Existing Payments**

Time Series data are given, where available. However, the introduction of new payments and changes to existing payments can affect comparability over time. Relevant tables are footnoted where appropriate.

#### **Breakdown by Section**

Section J

The report is divided into nine sections as follows:

Section A	Summary and Financial
Section B	Pensions
Section C	Working Age Income Supports
Section D	Working Age Employment Supports
Section E	Illness, Disability and Caring
Section F	Children
Section G	Supplementary Payments
Section H	Live Register

Claims Activity

Appendix 2 (page 169) lists the payments covered by each category.

**Section A** provides details of expenditure, recipients of weekly Social Welfare Payments, insured persons and rates of payment.

**Section B** provides details of expenditure and recipients of payments to Older and Retired People.

**Section C** provides details of expenditure and recipients of Working Age Income Groups.

**Section D** provides details of employment supports including Back to Work Allowance, Back to Work Enterprise Allowance, Back to Education Allowance.

**Section E** provides details of expenditure and recipients of Illness Benefit, Invalidity Pension, Disability Allowance, Blind Pension, Carer's Allowance and Occupational Injury Benefits.

**Section F** provides details of expenditure and recipients of child related payments including Child Benefit, Guardian's Payment and Back to School Footwear and Clothing Allowance.

**Section G** provides details of expenditure and recipients of Rent Supplement, Mortgage Supplement and Local Authority Mortgage Supplements and other miscellaneous payments.

Section H provides details of the Live Register.

**Section J** provides details of Claims Activity.

### Summary

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The Department of Social Protection also publishes an Annual Report which provides details of all major developments during the year in question. The Report is a progress report to the Minister and the Government on the implementation of the Department's Strategy Statement. In addition, the "Guide to Social Welfare Services" provides comprehensive information on all social welfare services and is available directly from any office of the Department and on the Internet.

### Réamhrá

#### Ginearálta

Seo an tríocha a tríú heagrán de "Eolas Staitistiúil ar Sheirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh" a d'ullmhaigh an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí. Leagtar amach ann sonraí cuimsitheacha maidir le seirbhísí a sholáthraíonn an Roinn.

Baineann na staitisticí a leagtar amach sa tuarascáil seo le 2014 agus le blianta níos luaithe. I gcás sonraí a bhaineann le faighteoirí agus le tairbhithe, tagraíonn na figiúirí, mura luaitear a mhalairt, don 31 Nollaig i ngach bliain. Tagraítear do roinnt táblaí, ina soláthraítear miondealú d'fhaighteoirí nó tairbhithe trí shaintréithe ar leith éigin, ar nós líon na gcleithiúnaithe nó aoise, amhail bheith "measta". Ciallaíonn seo gur deimhníodh an miondealú comhréireach, a meastar atá ina mheastachán iontaofa, ag dáta eile, ach ag dáta i ngar don 31 Nollaig.

Tá na figiúirí caiteachais don bhliain 2014 sealadach ar feitheamh deimhniú ag an Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste.

### Foinse na Sonraí

Is í an fhoinse do na staitisticí a chuirtear i láthair, mura luaitear a mhalairt, an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí.

### Amshraith agus Athruithe ar Íocaíochtaí Reatha

Tugtar sonraí faoi Amshraith, sa chás go bhfuil siad ar fáil. Féadfaidh íocaíochtaí agus athruithe nua a thabhairt isteach ar íocaíochtaí reatha tionchar a imirt ar inchomparáideacht i gcaitheamh ama. Cuirtear fonótaí leis na táblaí ábhartha sa chás gur cuí.

#### Miondealú de réir Míre

Tá an tuarascáil seo roinnte ina naoi mír, mar seo a leanas:

Mir A	Achoimre agus Cúrsaí Airgeadais
Mír B	Pinsin
Mír C	Tacaíochtaí Ioncaim Aois Oibre
Mír D	Tacaíochtaí Fostaíochta Aois Oibre
Mír E	Breoiteacht, Míchumas agus Cúram
Mír F	Leanaí
Mír G	Íocaíochtaí Forlíontacha
Mír H	An Beochlár
Mír J	Gníomhaíocht Éileamh

Liostaítear in Aguisín 2 (leathanach 169) na híocaíochtaí a chuimsíonn gach catagóir.

Soláthraítear i **Mír A** sonraí faoi chaiteachas, faighteoirí Íocaíochtaí seachtainiúla Leasa Shóisialaigh, árachaithe agus rátaí íocaíochta.

Soláthraítear i **Mír B** sonraí faoi chaiteachas agus faighteoirí íocaíochtaí le Daoine Breacaosta agus ar Scor.

Soláthraítear i **Mír C** sonraí faoi chaiteachas agus faighteoirí Grúpaí Ioncaim Aois Oibre.

Soláthraítear i **Mír D** sonraí faoi thacaíochtaí fostaíochta, lena n-áirítear Liúntas um Fhilleadh ar Obair, Liúntas Fiontraíochta um Fhilleadh ar Obair, Liúntas um Fhilleadh ar Oideachas.

Soláthraítear i **Mír E** sonraí faoi chaiteachas agus faighteoirí Sochar Breoiteachta, Pinsean Easláinte, Liúntas Míchumais, Pinsean na nDall, Liúntas Cúramóra agus Sochair Díobhálacha Ceirde.

Soláthraítear i **Mír F** sonraí faoi chaiteachas agus faighteoirí íocaíochtaí a bhaineann le leanaí, lena n-áirítear Sochar Linbh, Íocaíocht Chaomhnóra, Liúntas Coisbhirt agus Éadaí um Fhilleadh ar Scoil.

Soláthraítear i **Mír G** sonraí faoi chaiteachas agus faighteoirí Forlíonadh Cíosa, Forlíonadh Morgáiste agus Forlíontaí Morgáiste Údaráis Áitiúil agus íocaíochtaí ilghnéitheacha eile.

Soláthraítear i Mír H sonraí faoin mBeochlár.

Soláthraítear i **Mír J** sonraí faoi Ghníomhaíocht Éileamh.

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Foilsíonn an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, chomh maith, ina soláthraítear sonraí faoi gach forbairt mhór i rith na bliana atá faoi chaibidil.

Tuarascáil ar dhul chun cinn atá sa Tuarascáil leis an Aire agus leis an Rialtas ar Ráiteas Straitéise na Roinne a chur i bhfeidhm. Anuas air sin, soláthraítear in "Treoir maidir le Seirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh" faisnéis chuimsitheach ar gach seirbhís leasa shóisialaigh atá ar fáil atá tá sí ar fáil go díreach ó aon oifig den Roinn agus ar an idirlíon.

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# **SECTION A**SUMMARY AND FINANCIAL

# **Section A: Summary and Financial**

### **Expenditure**

Total Social Welfare expenditure in 2014 was €19,831 million, a decrease of 2.2% over 2013. Expenditure in 2014 represented 32.4% of Gross Current Government expenditure and was equivalent to 12.5% of GNP (Table A2). The main areas of expenditure by programme group were Pensions 33.3%, Working Age Income Supports 24.9%, Working Age Employment Supports 5.2%, Illness, Disability and Caring 17.3%, Children 11.5%, Supplementary Payments 4.7% and Administration of the Social Welfare system accounted for 3.1% of total expenditure (Graph A1).

Total Social Welfare expenditure was financed by the Exchequer 57.5% and the Social Insurance Fund 42.5%. The Social Insurance Fund was financed by Pay-Related Social Insurance contributions from employers 73.0%, employees 21.6%, the self-employed 5.2%. See Tables A6 and A7.

### **Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments**

There were 1,440,876 people were in receipt of a weekly Social Welfare Payment at the end of 2014. As these payments included increases in respect of 194,190 Qualified Adults and 473,013 children, along with Family Income Supplement payments made in respect of 111,583 children, there were over 2,219,600 beneficiaries in all.

### Notes: Scheme Changes and Comparability of Year-on-Year Data

- (a) Community and Employment Services were transferred to the Department from January 2011 and comparison of 2011 and 2010 expenditure should take account of the increased expenditure in relation to these supports (€468 million).
- (b) In 2006 age related pensions were replaced by State Pensions, with significant administrative alterations to several weekly payment types which had up to that point provided for people aged over 65. These alterations, implemented in stages following the introduction of the State Pensions, have resulted in substantial migrations of recipients between scheme types, with accompanying changes in expenditure and recipients on these schemes. The most significant transfers of recipients were those involving State Pension (Contributory), formerly known as Old Age Pension (Contributory), and State Pension (Transition), formerly known as Retirement Pension.

Recipients of Widow/er's Pension, Deserted Wife's Allowance, Blind Pension, One Parent Family Payment and Prisoner's Wife's Allowance have since 2006 transferred to State Pension (Non-Contributory) upon reaching 66 years of age, resulting in some decreases in recipients and expenditure on such schemes and concomitant increases in recipients and expenditure on State Pension (Non-Contributory). Recipients of Invalidity Pension aged 66 years or over are now automatically transferred to State Pension (Contributory) on reaching that age threshold.

One effect of these changes is the erosion of data comparability between 2006 and 2007 in relation to recipients and expenditure on the schemes altered in 2006 and 2007. For instance, expenditure on State Pension (Contributory) rose by 74.3% between 2006 and 2007, while that on State Pension (Transition) fell by 90.8% over the same period, due to the major shifts in numbers of recipients of these weekly payment types.

(d) From September 2007 a person may receive half rate carer's allowance while in receipt of another social welfare payment. This may result in double counting.

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Table A1: Expenditure on Social Welfare by Programme, 2005 to 2014

Programme	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(1)	Change
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	2014 over 2013
Administration	458,911	517,252	563,065	579,815	592,640	579,592	630,340	622,520	613,953	617,515	0.6%
Pensions	3,862,819	4,280,922	4,983,212	5,507,635	5,853,742	5,898,644	6,092,188	6,283,415	6,450,892	6,595,467	2.2%
Working Age Income Supports	2,817,411	3,111,776	3,491,547	4,393,296	6,291,700	6,669,207	6,182,498	5,994,457	5,503,907	4,931,715	-10.4%
Working Age Employment Supports	106,613	115,552	145,024	160,531	193,888	300,162	862,395	954,025	992,430	1,035,376	4.3%
Illness, Disability and Carers	2,084,423	2,426,122	2,847,680	3,293,106	3,527,490	3,557,052	3,443,120	3,346,364	3,404,962	3,436,236	0.9%
Children	2,012,420	2,218,817	2,459,614	2,733,912	2,788,049	2,534,856	2,429,813	2,393,283	2,269,105	2,281,687	0.6%
Supplementary Payments	827,072	916,000	1,028,341	1,140,292	1,288,531	1,310,948	1,329,736	1,182,109	1,052,021	933,456	-11.3%
Total Expenditure	12,169,669	13,586,441	15,518,483	17,808,587	20,536,040	20,850,461	20,970,090	20,776,173	20,287,270	19,831,452	-2.2%
Expenditure on Social Welfare as a Perce	ntage of Curr	ent Governm	ent Expendit	ure, GNP and	GDP, 2005 t	o 2014					
Index of Expenditure	100	112	128	146	169	171	172	171	167	163	
Consumer Price Index <sup>(2)</sup>	100	104.0	109.0	113.5	108.4	107.4	110.1	112.0	112.3	111.9	
Percentage of Gross Current Government	24.7%	22.4%	26.0%	27.3%	30.4%	31.4%	31.4%	30.6%	30.0%	29.3%	
Expenditure <sup>(3)</sup>	24.770	22.470	20.0%	27.5%	30.4%	31.4%	31.4%	30.0%	30.0%	29.5%	
Percentage of Gross National Product <sup>(4)</sup>	8.4%	8.5%	9.2%	11.1%	14.7%	15.1%	15.1%	14.7%	13.8%	12.5%	
Percentage of Gross Domestic Product <sup>(4)</sup>	7.2%	7.4%	7.9%	9.5%	12.2%	12.6%	12.3%	12.0%	11.6%	10.7%	

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional

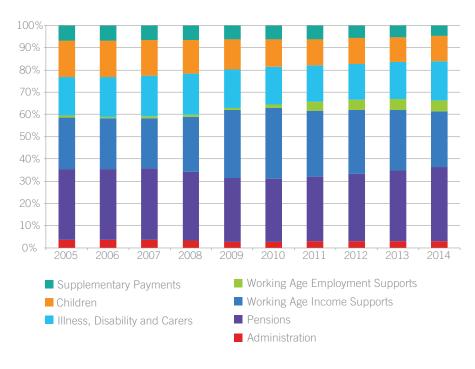
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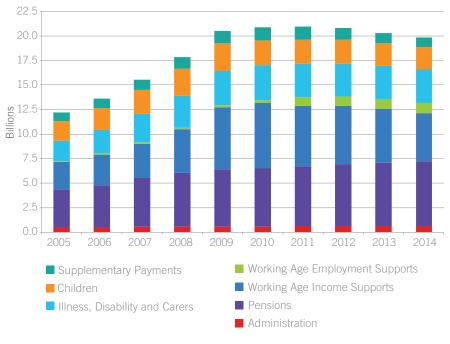
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Graph A1: Expenditure on Social Welfare by Programme, 2005 to 2014 (as a percentage of total expenditure)

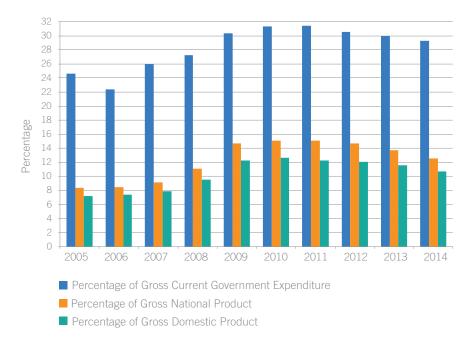


Graph A2: Expenditure by Social Welfare programme 2005 to 2014



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Graph A3: Expenditure on Social Welfare as a Percentage of Current Government Expenditure, GNP and GDP, 2005 to 2014



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Table A2: Expenditure on Social Welfare by Payment Type 2005 to 2014

Scheme	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€€00	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%
Adiministration - Assistance Schemes	256,331	295,568	320,354	322,035	311,212	298,815	349,353	345,868	341,433	347,014	1.6%
Administration - Insurance Schemes	202,580	221,684	242,711	257,780	281,428	280,777	280,987	276,652	272,520	270,501	-0.7%
<b>Total Adminstration</b>	458,911	517,252	563,065	579,815	592,640	579,592	630,340	622,520	613,953	617,515	0.6%
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	631,299	727,782	920,167	972,765	1,000,546	977,293	971,769	963,211	952,457	954,368	0.2%
State Pension (Contributory)	1,152,849	1,580,896	2,754,749	3,117,855	3,367,733	3,451,503	3,622,746	3,802,795	3,983,264	4,185,233	5.1%
State Pension (Transition)	1,060,052	857,627	79,070	92,089	104,976	108,194	132,395	146,629	137,270	73,768	-46.3%
Widow's, Widower's/Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	998,524	1,094,884	1,204,979	1,299,039	1,353,391	1,335,584	1,337,865	1,343,198	1,349,840	1,369,759	1.5%
Widow's, Widower's/Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension (Death Benefit)	6,523	7,047	7,574	8,036	8,207	7,778	7,977	7,827	7,775	8,068	3.8%
Bereavement Grants	13,572	12,686	16,673	17,851	18,889	18,292	19,436	19,755	20,286	4,271	-78.9%
<b>Total Pensions</b>	3,862,819	4,280,922	4,983,212	5,507,635	5,853,742	5,898,644	6,092,188	6,283,415	6,450,892	6,595,467	2.2%
Jobseeker's Allowance	667,483	768,560	875,092	1,158,851	2,004,556	2,809,381	2,974,987	3,054,741	3,108,974	2,924,261	-5.9%
One Parent Family Payment	751,102	834,262	962,425	1,067,158	1,121,344	1,110,328	1,088,897	1,057,753	977,960	867,863	-11.3%
Widow's, Widower's/Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Non-Contributory)	126,944	103,688	19,921	21,181	21,275	19,252	18,173	17,670	16,735	16,479	-1.5%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	11,468	10,547	6,897	6,624	6,038	5,020	4,211	3,546	2,876	2,504	-12.9%
Prisoners Wife's Allowance	14	13	16	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance Payments	162,368	134,974	150,420	184,477	233,532	199,951	168,848	176,491	104,539	81,863	-21.7%
Direct Provision Allowance	0	4,215	4,784	4,963	7,339	6,619	5,545	3,800	3,776	3,629	-3.9%
Farm Assist	67,284	71,085	78,686	84,881	93,297	110,931	113,724	108,170	99,178	93,639	-5.6%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	102,879	113,063	124,490	117,666	96,606	77,850	59,942	46,091	34,555	24,334	-29.6%
Other Working Age Income Supports (2)	69,905	74,671	83,663	96,540	90,029	83,856	75,360	64,667	46,424	40,287	-13.2%
Jobseeker's Benefit	418,085	455,073	544,931	928,844	1,733,816	1,285,438	926,900	736,881	560,460	420,398	-25.0%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	90,620	94,621	100,710	104,618	100,130	93,387	85,828	83,565	80,400	79,105	-1.6%
Maternity Benefit	132,412	180,801	257,896	315,878	331,289	323,938	309,141	303,527	292,597	269,930	-7.7%
Adoptive Benefit	709	818	1,333	1,644	1,247	891	1,075	465	309	169	-45.3%
Health and Safety Benefit	293	353	503	576	619	588	643	526	578	536	-7.3%
Redundancy and Insolvency	150,348	170,012	188,178	202,264	350,398	490,304	326,184	317,578	141,118	77,982	-44.7%
Treatment Benefits <sup>(2)</sup>	65,497	95,020	91,602	97,124	100,179	51,473	23,040	18,986	33,428	28,736	-14.0%
<b>Total Working Age Income Supports</b>	2,817,411	3,107,561	3,486,763	4,388,333	6,284,361	6,669,207	6,182,498	5,994,457	5,503,907	4,931,715	-10.4%

# Table A2: Expenditure on Social Welfare by Payment Type 2005 to 2014 (Continued)

Scheme	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€€00	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%
Community Employment Programme	0	0	0	0	0	0	349,396	330,399	341,250	359,474	5.3%
Rural Social Schemes	0	0	0	0	0	13,872	46,835	45,242	44,203	43,763	-1.0%
TÚS - Community Work Placement	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,761	67,055	92,060	116,054	26.1%
Job Initiative	0	0	0	0	0	8,198	29,678	25,794	24,924	23,364	-6.3%
Community Services Programme	0	0	0	0	0	0	45,452	45,390	44,853	43,028	-4.1%
Back to Work Allowance	53,563	56,497	71,072	73,169	76,434	87,960	114,582	127,203	119,505	118,833	-0.6%
National Internship Scheme - Jobbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,914	54,739	67,688	76,030	12.3%
Back to Education Allowance	46,695	52,070	64,142	77,136	107,316	179,851	201,519	199,567	186,879	162,465	-13.1%
Partial Capacity Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,107	7,377	9,972	35.2%
Other Employment Support <sup>(2)</sup>	6,355	6,985	9,810	10,226	10,138	10,281	55,258	56,529	63,691	82,393	29.4%
Total Working Age Employment Supports	106,613	115,552	145,024	160,531	193,888	300,162	862,395	954,025	992,430	1,035,376	4.3%
Disability Allowance	630,728	738,431	901,131	1,052,660	1,142,769	1,109,505	1,089,178	1,087,513	1,140,916	1,238,470	8.6%
Blind Pension	16,661	16,964	15,031	16,319	16,277	16,032	15,624	15,747	14,823	14,429	-2.7%
Carer's Allowance	223,059	284,584	361,257	450,260	502,469	501,789	507,193	509,671	554,801	559,456	0.8%
Domiciliary Care Allowance	0	0	0	0	31,017	95,710	99,924	102,237	104,272	110,675	6.1%
Respite Care Grant	34,302	50,458	73,376	98,204	99,200	128,097	130,392	136,353	119,945	118,506	-1.2%
Illness Benefit	540,245	627,642	755,077	852,305	919,783	942,571	875,549	773,959	648,938	625,975	-3.5%
Injury Benefit	14,231	16,123	17,194	19,250	18,143	17,884	16,507	15,860	14,592	16,537	13.3%
Invalidity Pension	548,285	602,414	618,133	685,717	681,642	639,994	606,502	604,024	707,769	651,666	-7.9%
Disablement Benefit	67,026	72,526	79,283	84,443	85,677	78,822	77,460	76,147	76,118	76,622	0.7%
Medical Care	298	292	298	282	309	360	317	355	345	248	-28.1%
Carer's Benefit	9,588	16,688	26,900	33,666	30,204	26,288	24,474	24,498	22,443	23,652	5.4%
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	2,084,423	2,426,122	2,847,680	3,293,106	3,527,490	3,557,052	3,443,120	3,346,364	3,404,962	3,436,236	0.9%
Child Benefit	1,899,936	2,056,295	2,232,974	2,453,957	2,495,304	2,213,429	2,076,338	2,046,955	1,899,922	1,902,603	0.1%
Family Income Supplement	72,152	107,137	140,020	170,309	167,133	185,998	204,543	223,608	261,758	297,941	13.8%
Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance	16,713	24,892	40,176	49,632	67,188	77,401	90,903	65,679	47,976	42,452	-11.5%
School Meals	8,434	13,622	28,202	32,422	34,848	34,939	34,975	35,005	36,775	16,572	-54.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	4,096	4,832	4,366	7,147	6,024	4,697	5,134	4,987	5,124	5,196	1.4%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Non-Contributory)	269	282	454	529	425	475	276	313	252	276	9.5%
Guradian's Payments (Contributory)	7,516	8,815	9,560	14,373	11,510	11,462	11,416	10,768	10,967	10,989	0.2%

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Scheme	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€€00	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Contributory)	3,304	2,942	3,862	5,543	5,617	6,455	6,228	5,968	6,331	5,658	-10.6%
Total Children	2,012,420	2,218,817	2,459,614	2,733,912	2,788,049	2,534,856	2,429,813	2,393,283	2,269,105	2,281,687	0.6%
Rent Supplement	368,705	388,339	391,466	440,548	510,751	516,538	502,747	422,536	372,909	338,347	-9.3%
Mortgage Interest Supplements	6,339	7,873	12,197	27,675	60,885	65,615	67,849	55,082	35,063	20,897	-40.4%
Household Benefits <sup>(2)</sup>	245,709	256,137	313,111	340,252	359,107	367,800	369,575	368,685	290,470	231,756	-20.2%
Free Travel	55,333	58,042	64,125	68,428	73,489	74,094	75,597	75,518	75,477	75,487	0.0%
Fuel Allowance <sup>(2)</sup>	82,386	130,250	158,289	170,008	199,609	228,766	265,838	211,394	228,141	217,735	-4.6%
Grant to the Citizen's Information Board(3)	20,917	24,362	27,860	29,468	28,005	44,986	45,114	45,743	46,387	45,000	-3.0%
Office of the Pensions Ombudsman	0	0	0	35,981	0	0	906	977	974	935	-4.0%
Grant to Family Support Agency	22,869	26,506	35,339	0	34,660	9,909	0	0	0	0	N/a
Direct Provision Allowance	0	4,215	4,784	4,963	7,339	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Combat Poverty Agency	4,236	3,689	4,008	4,114	1,564	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Money Advice and Budgeting Service <sup>(3)</sup>	13,593	13,575	14,578	16,217	17,041	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Miscellaneous Services funded by Vote 37 <sup>(2)</sup>	6,985	7,227	7,368	7,601	3,420	3,240	2,110	2,174	2,600	3,299	26.9%
<b>Total Supplementary Payments</b>	827,072	920,215	1,033,125	1,145,255	1,295,870	1,310,948	1,329,736	1,182,109	1,052,021	933,456	-11.3%
Grand Total	12,169,669	13,586,441	15,518,483	17,808,587	20,536,040	20,850,461	20,970,090	20,776,173	20,287,270	19,831,452	-2.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional

<sup>(2)</sup> See Additional Expenditure Details in Table A3 for 2013 and 2014

<sup>(3)</sup> Money Advice and Budgeting Service was merged with the Citizen's Information Board from 2010

Table A3: Additional Expenditure Details 2013 and 2014

Scheme	2013 €000	2014 <sup>(1)</sup> €000	Change 2014 over
	C000	C000	2013
Other Working Age Income Supports			
Exceptional and Urgent Needs	35,674	30,090	-15.7%
Other Supplements [Including Heating and Light]	9,526	8,125	-14.7%
Humanitarian Aid	1,224	2,072	69.3%
Total	46,424	40,287	-13.2%
Treatment Benefits			
Dental	19,553	16,042	-18.0%
Optical	8,489	6,613	-22.1%
Medical and Surgical	5,386	6,081	12.9%
TOTAL	33,428	28,736	-14.0%
Other Employment Supports			
Assistance towards training for BTW participants	3,264	3,338	2.3%
Part-time Job Incentive Scheme	1,978	2,281	15.3%
Wage Subsidy Scheme	11,042	12,912	16.9%
EmployAbility Service	8,713	8,434	-3.2%
Disability Activation Project	2,427	3,003	23.7%
Disability Support Awareness	405	341	-15.8%
Local Employment Service	19,371	18,283	-5.6%
Local Employment Service Jobs Clubs	5,490	5,493	0.1%
Activation and Family Support Programme (AFSP)	3,175	1,391	-56.2%
Special payments to long term Unemployed and Lone Parents	16	10	-37.5%
Special Initiatives for Travellers programme	291	312	7.2%
Drugs Task Force	1,631	1,737	6.5%
EURES Job Mobility Funded Training Initiatives	319	368	15.4%
Technical Employment Support Grants (funded from National Training Fund)	4,274	5,031	17.7%
Gateway	255	7,576	2871.0%
JobsPlus	1,040	11,883	1042.6%
TOTAL	63,691	82,393	29.4%
Household Benefits - Social Assistance			

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Scheme	2013	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Change 2014 over
	€000	€000	2014 over
Electricity Allowance	65,389	61,119	-6.5%
Gas Allowance	4,554	6,213	36.4%
Telephone Allowance	21,184	1,156	-94.5%
Free Television Licence	22,003	19,994	-9.1%
SUB-TOTAL	113,130	88,482	-21.8%
Household Benefits - Social Insurance			
Electricity Allowance	99,608	93,434	-6.2%
Gas Allowance	11,019	15,602	41.6%
Telephone Allowance	31,043	1,783	-94.3%
Free Television Licence	35,670	32,455	-9.0%
SUB-TOTAL	177,340	143,274	-19.2%
HOUSEHOLD BENEFITS GRAND TOTAL	290,470	231,756	-20.2%
Fuel Allowance			
Fuel Allowance - Social Assistance	155,599	147,873	-5.0%
Fuel Allowance - Social Insurance	72,542	69,862	-3.7%
TOTAL	228,141	217,735	-4.6%
Miscellaneous Services funded by Vote 37			
Rent Allowance (de-control of rents legislation)	654	530	-19.0%
National Pensions Awareness Campaign	23	-	-100.0%
Grants - Information & Welfare Rights	634	686	8.2%
Recoupment of superannuation expenses to The Pensions Board	221	175	-20.8%
Ex gratia payments - Magdalene Laundries and other Institutions	0	1,833	100.0%
Social Inclusion Initiatives	1,068	75	-93.0%
TOTAL	2,600	3,299	26.9%
Grand Total	664,754	604,206	-9.1%

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Table A4: Social Assistance Expenditure by Scheme, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(1)	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	631,299	727,782	920,167	972,765	1,000,546	977,293	971,769	963,211	952,457	954,368	0.2%
Jobseeker's Allowance	667,483	768,560	875,092	1,158,851	2,004,556	2,809,381	2,974,987	3,054,741	3,108,974	2,924,261	-5.9%
One-Parent Family Payment	751,102	834,262	962,425	1,067,158	1,121,344	1,110,328	1,088,897	1,057,753	977,960	867,863	-11.3%
Widow's, Widower's/Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Non- Contributory)	126,944	103,688	19,921	21,181	21,275	19,252	18,173	17,670	16,735	16,479	-1.5%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	11,468	10,547	6,897	6,624	6,038	5,020	4,211	3,546	2,876	2,504	-12.9%
Prisoner's Wife's Allowance	14	13	16	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	162,368	134,974	150,420	184,477	233,532	199,951	168,848	176,491	104,539	81,863	-21.7%
Direct Provision Allowance	0	4,215	4,784	4,963	7,339	6,619	5,545	3,800	3,776	3,629	-3.9%
Farm Assist	67,284	71,085	78,686	84,881	93,297	110,931	113,724	108,170	99,178	93,639	-5.6%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	102,879	113,063	124,490	117,666	96,606	77,850	59,942	46,091	34,555	24,334	-29.6%
Exceptional and Urgent Needs	56,513	61,138	69,828	82,254	75,210	69,420	62,593	52,705	35,674	30,090	-15.7%
Other Supplements [Including Heating and Light]	13,392	13,533	13,835	14,286	14,214	13,391	12,766	11,248	9,526	8,125	-14.7%
Humanitarian Aid	0	0	0	0	605	1,045	1	714	1,224	2,072	69.3%
Community Employment	0	0	0	0	0	0	349,396	330,399	341,250	359,474	5.3%
Rural Social Schemes	0	0	0	0	0	13,872	46,835	45,242	44,203	43,763	-1.0%
Tús	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,761	67,055	92,060	116,054	26.1%
Job Initiative	0	0	0	0	0	8,198	29,678	25,794	24,924	23,364	-6.3%
Community Services Programme	0	0	0	0	0	0	45,452	45,390	44,853	43,028	-4.1%
Back to Work Allowance	53,563	56,497	71,072	73,169	76,434	87,960	114,582	127,203	119,505	118,833	-0.6%
Jobbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,914	54,739	67,688	76,030	12.3%
Back to Education Allowance	46,695	52,070	64,142	77,136	107,316	179,851	201,519	199,567	186,879	162,465	-13.1%
Other Employment Supports	106,613	115,552	145,024	160,531	193,888	300,162	55,258	56,529	63,691	82,393	29.4%
Disability Allowance	630,728	738,431	901,131	1,052,660	1,142,769	1,109,505	1,089,178	1,087,513	1,140,916	1,238,470	8.6%
Blind Pension	16,661	16,964	15,031	16,319	16,277	16,032	15,624	15,747	14,823	14,429	-2.7%
Carer's Allowance	223,059	284,584	361,257	450,260	502,469	501,789	507,193	509,671	554,801	559,456	0.8%
Domicilliary Care Allowance	0	0	0	0	31,017	95,710	99,924	102,237	104,272	110,675	6.1%
Respite Care Grant	34,302	50,458	73,376	98,204	99,200	128,097	130,392	136,353	119,945	118,506	-1.2%
Child Benefit	1,899,936	2,056,295	2,232,974	2,453,957	2,495,304	2,213,429	2,076,338	2,046,955	1,899,922	1,902,603	0.1%
Family Income Supplement	72,152	107,137	140,020	170,309	167,133	185,998	204,543	223,608	261,758	297,941	13.8%

Table A4: Social Assistance Expenditure by Scheme, 2005 to 2014 (Continued)

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%
Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance	16,713	24,892	40,176	49,632	67,188	77,401	90,903	65,679	47,976	42,452	-11.5%
School Meals	8,434	13,622	28,202	32,422	34,848	34,939	34,975	35,005	36,775	16,572	-54.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non- Contributory)	4,096	4,832	4,366	7,147	6,024	4,697	5,134	4,987	5,124	5,196	1.4%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Non-Contributory)	269	282	454	529	425	475	276	313	252	276	9.5%
Rent Allowances	855	839	792	732	725	804	701	663	654	530	-19.0%
Household Benefits	96,799	98,478	124,738	139,901	150,149	157,084	144,654	143,732	113,130	88,482	-21.8%
Fuel Allowance	49,244	81,319	96,888	115,779	129,528	150,630	179,184	144,692	155,599	147,873	-5.0%
Free Travel	55,333	58,042	64,125	68,428	73,489	74,094	75,597	75,518	75,477	75,487	0.0%
Grant to Citizen's Information Board	20,917	24,362	27,860	29,468	28,005	44,986	45,114	45,743	46,387	45,000	-3.0%
Office of the Pension's Ombudsman	0	0	0	35,981	0	0	906	977	974	935	-4.0%
Grant to Family Support Agency	22,869	26,506	35,339	0	34,660	9,909	0	0	0	0	N/a
Direct Provision Allowance	0	4,215	4,784	4,963	7,339	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Combat Poverty Agency	4,236	3,689	4,008	4,114	1,564	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Money Advice and Budgeting Service	13,593	13,575	14,578	16,217	17,041	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Rent Supplement	368,705	388,339	391,466	440,548	510,751	516,538	502,747	422,536	372,909	338,347	-9.3%
Mortgage Interest Supplement	6,339	7,873	12,197	27,675	60,885	65,615	67,849	55,082	35,063	20,897	-40.4%
Administration	256,331	295,568	320,354	322,035	311,212	298,815	349,353	345,868	341,433	347,014	1.6%
Supplementary Payments	6,130	6,388	6,576	6,869	2,695	2,436	1,409	1,511	1,946	2,769	42.3%
TOTAL SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	6,605,318	7,369,454	8,402,707	9,565,135	10,935,564	11,679,507	11,965,845	11,912,448	11,662,663	11,408,541	-2.2%
Annual Percentage Variance	9.74%	11.57%	14.02%	13.83%	14.33%	6.80%	2.45%	-0.45%	-2.10%	-2.18%	
Percentage of Total Departmental Spend	54.28%	54.24%	54.15%	53.71%	53.25%	56.02%	57.06%	57.34%	57.49%	57.53%	

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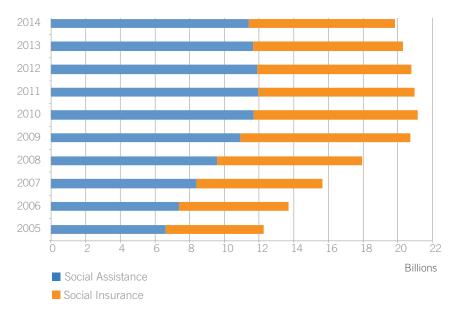
Table A5: Social Insurance Expenditure by Scheme, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(1)	Change
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	2014 over 2013
State Pension (Contributory)	1,152,849	1,580,896	2,754,749	3,117,855	3,367,733	3,451,503	3,622,746	3,802,795	3,983,264	4,185,233	5.1%
State Pension (Transition)	1,060,052	857,627	79,070	92,089	104,976	108,194	132,395	146,629	137,270	73,768	-46.3%
Widows', Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	998,524	1,094,884	1,204,979	1,299,039	1,353,391	1,335,584	1,337,865	1,343,198	1,349,840	1,369,759	1.5%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension (Death Benefit)	6,523	7,047	7,574	8,036	8,207	7,778	7,977	7,827	7,775	8,068	3.8%
Bereavement Grant	13,572	12,686	16,673	17,851	18,889	18,292	19,436	19,755	20,286	4,271	-78.9%
Jobseeker's Benefit	418,085	455,073	544,931	928,844	1,733,816	1,285,438	926,900	736,881	560,460	420,398	-25.0%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	90,620	94,621	100,710	104,618	100,130	93,387	85,828	83,565	80,400	79,105	-1.6%
Maternity Benefit	132,412	180,801	257,896	315,878	331,289	323,938	309,141	303,527	292,597	269,930	-7.7%
Adoptive Benefit	709	818	1,333	1,644	1,247	891	1,075	465	309	169	-45.3%
Health and Safety Benefit	293	353	503	576	619	588	643	526	578	536	-7.3%
Redundancy and Insolvency	150,348	170,012	188,178	202,264	350,398	490,304	326,184	317,578	141,118	77,982	-44.7%
Treatment Benefit	65,497	95,020	91,602	97,124	100,179	51,473	23,040	18,986	33,428	28,736	-14.0%
Illness Benefit	540,245	627,642	755,077	852,305	919,783	942,571	875,549	773,959	648,938	625,975	-3.5%
Injury Benefit	14,231	16,123	17,194	19,250	18,143	17,884	16,507	15,860	14,592	16,537	13.3%
Invalidity Pension	548,285	602,414	618,133	685,717	681,642	639,994	606,502	604,024	707,769	651,666	-7.9%
Partial Capacity Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,107	7,377	9,972	35.2%
Disablement Benefit	67,026	72,526	79,283	84,443	85,677	78,822	77,460	76,147	76,118	76,622	0.7%
Medical Care	298	292	298	282	309	360	317	355	345	248	-28.1%
Carer's Benefit	9,588	16,688	26,900	33,666	30,204	26,288	24,474	24,498	22,443	23,652	5.4%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	7,516	8,815	9,560	14,373	11,510	11,462	11,416	10,768	10,967	10,989	0.2%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Contributory)	3,304	2,942	3,862	5,543	5,617	6,455	6,228	5,968	6,331	5,658	-10.6%
Household Benefits	148,910	157,659	188,373	200,351	208,958	210,716	224,921	224,953	177,340	143,274	-19.2%
Fuel Allowance	33,142	48,931	61,401	54,229	70,081	78,136	86,654	66,702	72,542	69,862	-3.7%
Administration	202,580	221,684	242,711	257,780	281,428	280,777	280,987	276,652	272,520	270,501	-0.7%
TOTAL SOCIAL INSURANCE	5,664,609	6,325,554	7,250,990	8,393,757	9,784,226	9,460,835	9,004,245	8,863,725	8,624,607	8,422,911	-2.3%
Annual Percentage Variance	7.44%	11.67%	14.63%	15.76%	16.57%	-3.31%	-4.83%	-1.56%	-2.70%	-2.34%	
Percentage of Total Departmental Spend	46.55%	46.56%	46.72%	47.13%	47.64%	45.37%	42.94%	42.66%	42.51%	42.47%	

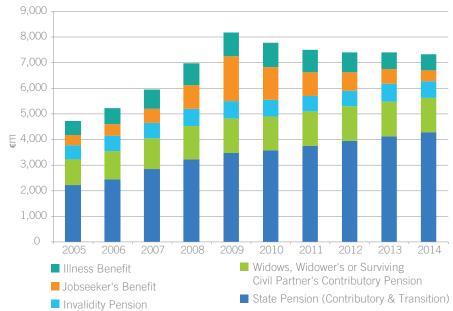
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# **Summary and Financial**

Graph A4: Total Social Assistance and Social Insurance Expenditure 2005 to 2014



Graph A5: Expenditure on Main Social Insurance Schemes, 2005 to 2014



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Graph A6: Expenditure on Main Weekly Social Assistance Schemes, 2005 to 2014

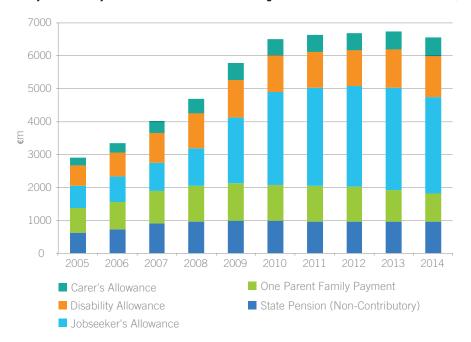


Table A6: Financing of Social Welfare Expenditure, 2005 and 2014

Sources of Finance	2005	2006	2007	2008(2)	2009(3)	2010(4)	<b>2011</b> <sup>(5)</sup>	2012(6)	2013	(7)	2014(1	.) (8)	Change
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%	€000	%	2014 over 2005
Social Insurance Fund	5,664,609	6,325,554	7,250,990	8,393,757	9,784,225	9,460,835	9,004,245	8,863,725	8,624,607	42.5%	8,422,911	42.5%	48.7%
State	6,505,060	7,260,888	8,267,493	9,414,830	10,751,815	11,389,626	11,965,845	11,912,448	11,662,663	57.5%	11,408,541	57.5%	75.4%
TOTAL	12,169,669	13,586,442	15,518,483	17,808,587	20,536,040	20,850,461	20,970,090	20,776,173	20,287,270	100.0%	19,831,452	100.0%	63.0%

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(2) A payment of €0.249 billion was made to the Social Insurance Fund under Section 9(9) of the Social Welfare Consolidation Act 2005 in 2008

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Graph A7: Financing of Social Welfare Expenditure, 2005 to 2014

Graph A8: Financing of the Social Insurance Fund 2014

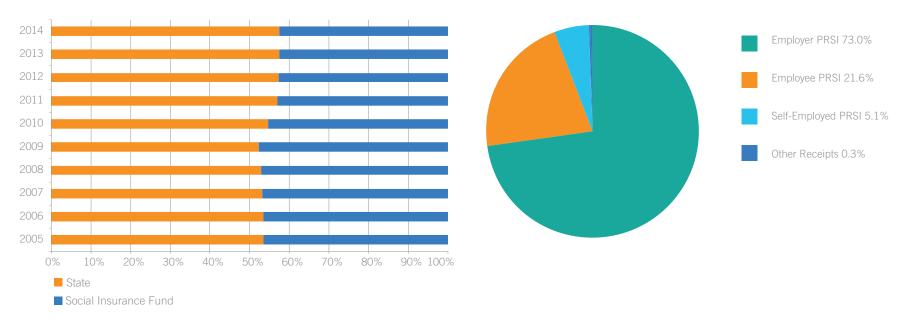


Table A7: Financing of the Social Insurance Fund, 2005 to 2014

Surplus/Deficit	494,409	648,857	583,157	-249,347	-2,486,624	-2,751,155	-1,460,362	-2,084,009	-1,	314,130		-541,798	-58.8%
Expenditure on Social Insurance Schemes	5,664,609	6,325,554	7,250,990	8,393,757	9,784,225	9,460,835	9,004,245	8,863,725	8,624,607	-	8,422,911	-	-2.3%
Total Income	6,159,018	6,974,411	7,834,147	8,144,410	7,297,601	6,709,680	7,543,883	6,779,716	7,310,477	100.0%	7,881,113	100.0%	7.8%
Other Receipts	126	105	88	19	19	50	1,147	6,683	7,711	0.1%	14,083	0.2%	82.6%
Investment Income	49,012	53,084	112,049	160,209	132,976	1,612	999	369	51	0.0%	56	0.0%	9.8%
Income from Health Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	115,257	-13,676	-5,061	-0.1%	7,324	0.1%	244.7%
Self-Employed PRSI	380,450	373,714	420,852	405,582	314,787	330,603	348,342	310,386	397,079	5.4%	406,266	5.2%	2.3%
Employee PRSI	1,196,858	1,380,234	1,539,147	1,633,708	1,559,416	1,377,140	1,617,352	1,479,983	1,579,545	21.6%	1,703,956	21.6%	7.9%
Employer PRSI	4,532,572	5,167,274	5,762,011	5,944,892	5,290,403	5,000,275	5,460,786	4,995,971	5,331,152	72.9%	5,749,428	73.0%	7.8%
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%	€000	%	2014 over 2013
Sources of Finance	ources of Finance 2005 2006		2007	2008(4)	2009(5)	2010(6)	2011(7)	2012(8)	2013	(9)	2014	(10)	Change

<sup>(1)</sup> The financial data for 2013 is as published in the Social Insurance Fund account as audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General. The financial data for 2014 is provisional and is subject to audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General. (2) Following the introduction of the Universal Social Charge on 1st January 2011, no further Health Contributions were due to the Health Service Executive. Health contributions received after this date but due in respect of 2010 and earlier years were retained by the Social Insurance Fund in accordance with Section 15 of the Social Welfare Act 2010. Claims for refunds of health contributions exceeded health contribution income in 2012 and 2013 and the amount shown for that year is the net effect of contributions received and refunds made in respect of previous years.

<sup>(3)</sup> The breakdown between employer, employee and self-employed contributions requires a detailed analysis of data collected by the Revenue Commissioners. The contributions are apportioned on the basis of the most recently available information and are of necessity provisional.

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Graph A9: Social Insurance Fund (SIF) Expenditure as a Percentage of SIF Income 2005 to 2014

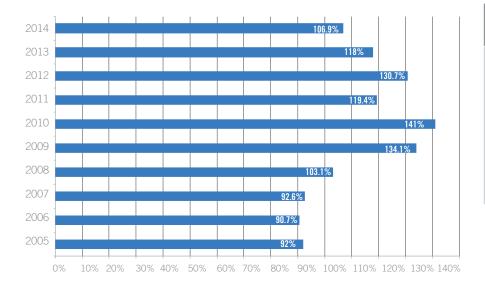


Table A8: Number of Recipients and Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments, 2005 to 2014

Year	Recipients <sup>(1)</sup>	Beneficiaries <sup>(1)</sup>	Population <sup>(2)</sup>	Recipients as a % of population	Beneficiaries as a % of population
2005	976,613	1,469,106	4,133,800	23.6%	35.5%
2006	1,003,517	1,506,824	4,232,900	23.7%	35.6%
2007	1,060,327	1,577,463	4,375,800	24.2%	36.0%
2008	1,208,883	1,799,875	4,485,100	27.0%	40.1%
2009	1,379,206	2,076,256	4,533,400	30.4%	45.8%
2010	1,430,833	2,179,428	4,554,800	31.4%	47.8%
2011	1,467,129	2,248,284	4,574,900	32.1%	49.1%
2012	1,469,214	2,267,499	4,585,400	32.0%	49.5%
2013	1,467,918	2,273,003	4,593,100	32.0%	49.5%
2014	1,440,876	2,219,662	4,609,100	31.3%	48.2%

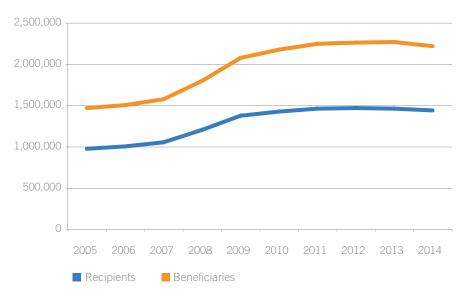
<sup>(1)</sup> There is an element of double counting due to recipients and beneficiaries being in receipt of concurrent payments under various payments such as Carer's, Domiciliary Care Allowance, Disablement Benefit etc.

(2) Sources: CSO

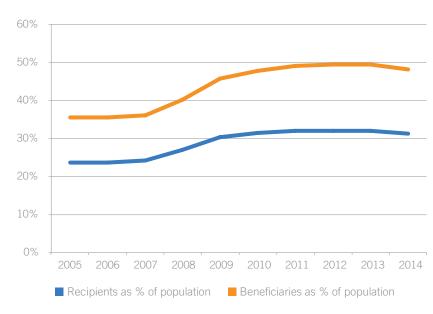
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Graph A10: Recipient and Beneficiary Numbers 2005 to 2014



Graph A11: Recipients and Beneficiaries as a % of Population 2005 to 2014



# Table A9: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment					Recip	ients					Change
,, , ,	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2014 over 2013
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	84,454	97,404	97,726	97,784	97,798	97,179	96,749	96,126	95,801	95,570	-0.2%
State Pension (Contributory)	124,611	139,724	237,599	250,117	265,102	280,419	296,995	312,314	329,531	346,420	5.1%
State Pension (Transition)	91,047	91,086	5,851	7,242	8,378	10,206	12,110	14,372	12,630	1,548	-87.7%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	109,017	110,146	111,460	112,237	113,108	114,579	115,762	116,751	117,417	118,670	1.1%
Death Benefit Pension	647	646	647	651	637	633	628	645	646	636	-1.5%
<b>Total Number of Recipients of Pensions</b>	409,776	439,006	453,283	468,031	485,023	503,016	522,244	540,208	556,025	562,844	1.2%
Jobseeker's Allowance	75,357	75,801	80,268	113,603	203,248	261,850	283,929	291,640	295,077	269,951	-8.5%
One-Parent Family Payment	80,366	83,081	85,084	87,840	90,484	92,326	90,307	86,941	78,246	69,884	-10.7%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	14,729	2,168	2,138	2,042	1,998	1,977	1,959	1,860	1,781	N/a	N/a
Deserted Wife's Allowance	1,382	766	693	617	550	487	409	336	274	N/a	N/a
Prisoner's Wife's Allowance	2	2	2	1	Scheme Closed						
Basic Supplementary Allowance <sup>(1)</sup>	28,066	25,331	27,379	35,546	42,775	37,413	34,597	32,358	23,127	18,187	-21.4%
Farm Assist	7,824	7,480	7,376	7,496	8,972	10,714	11,333	11,029	10,303	9,809	-4.8%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	11,058	11,149	10,624	8,872	7,468	6,021	4,820	3,670	2,664	1,887	-29.2%
Jobseeker's Benefit	52,754	50,542	59,167	121,763	160,122	123,457	96,044	78,459	55,068	46,335	-15.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	10,180	9,760	9,395	9,056	8,737	8,372	8,071	7,753	7,457	6,989	-6.3%
Maternity Benefit	10,791	14,898	20,948	23,421	23,294	23,456	23,947	22,850	22,812	22,708	-0.5%
Adoptive Benefit	32	59	55	68	64	53	45	14	15	13	-13.3%
Health and Safety Benefit	26	37	39	69	49	60	61	60	52	53	1.9%
Total Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports	292,567	281,074	303,168	410,394	547,761	566,186	555,522	536,970	496,876	445,816	-10.3%
Community Employment Programme <sup>(3)</sup>	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	22,589	22,445	22,575	23,249	3.0%
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(2)</sup>	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	2,537	2,591	2,537	2,576	1.5%
Tús <sup>(2)</sup>	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	2,077	4,530	6,999	7,877	12.5%
Job Iniative	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	1,031	N/a
Back to Work Allowance Employee	3,646	3,963	4,305	3,558	2,012	851	182	18	11	2	-81.8%
<b>Back to Work Enterprise Allowance</b>											
Self-Employed First Year	1,302	1,683	1,811	1,470	1,966	5,011	5,617	5,656	5,216	6,580	26.2%
Self-Employed Years 2 - 4	3,995	2,690	3,017	3,134	2,625	2,947	5,134	5,154	4,882	4,586	-6.1%
JobBridge	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	5,160	6,058	6,047	-0.2%
Back to Education Allowance	5,156	5,679	5,980	7,886	15,877	21,147	24,666	24,910	24,175	22,714	-6.0%

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Table A9: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2005 to 2014 (Continued)

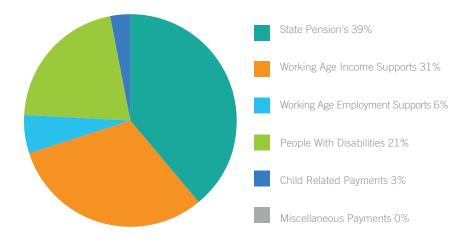
Type of Payment					Recip	ients					Change
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2014 over 2013
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	218	201	210	184	173	161	180	215	290	373	28.6%
Other Employment Supports	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	7,313	N/a
Partial Capacity Benefit	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	733	1,234	1,432	16.0%
Total Number of Recipients of Working Age on Employment Supports	14,317	14,216	15,323	16,232	22,653	30,117	62,982	71,412	73,977	83,780	13.3%
Disability Allowance	79,253	83,697	89,048	95,754	99,576	101,111	102,866	101,784	106,279	112,097	5.5%
Blind Pension	1,985	1,476	1,474	1,472	1,467	1,485	1,496	1,456	1,385	N/a	N/a
Carer's Allowance	24,970	27,474	33,067	43,569	48,223	50,577	51,666	52,209	57,136	59,380	3.9%
Illness Benefit	61,845	65,774	70,404	73,609	77,665	81,253	73,397	64,429	58,990	57,024	-3.3%
Interim Illness Benefit	355	338	440	525	318	374	327	363	380	327	-13.9%
Injury Benefit	908	924	900	846	726	835	776	671	822	906	10.2%
Invalidity Pension	58,352	51,954	53,956	53,725	52,922	50,766	49,792	50,053	53,196	54,223	1.9%
Disablement Benefit	12,475	12,646	12,874	13,192	13,520	13,721	13,993	14,202	14,226	12,293	-13.6%
Carer's Benefit	867	1,647	2,080	2,249	1,917	1,642	1,637	1,638	1,598	1,769	10.7%
Total People with Disabilities	241,010	245,930	264,243	284,941	296,334	301,764	295,950	286,805	294,012	298,019	1.4%
Family Income Supplement	17,448	21,800	22,823	27,798	25,963	28,223	28,876	32,307	44,159	50,306	13.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	444	441	442	437	420	429	441	433	435	N/a	N/a
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	781	800	818	833	860	919	955	938	947	N/a	N/a
Total Children	18,673	23,041	24,083	29,068	27,243	29,571	30,272	33,678	45,541	50,306	10.5%
Rent Allowance	270	250	227	217	192	179	159	141	119	111	-6.7%
Grand Total	976,613	1,003,517	1,060,327	1,208,883	1,379,206	1,430,833	1,467,129	1,469,214	1,466,550	1,440,876	-1.8%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Basic weekly payments only. See Section G for details of other Supplementary Payments.

<sup>(2)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

<sup>(3)</sup> Supervisors and Assistant Supervisors of Community Employment Programme are waged and are not in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment (see footnotes on Table D2 for number of Supervisors and Assistant Supervisors).

Graph A12: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2014



Graph A13: Weekly Recipients of Main Social Insurance Payments, 2005 to 2014



## Graph A14: Weekly Recipients of Main Weekly Social Assistance Payments, 2005 to 2014

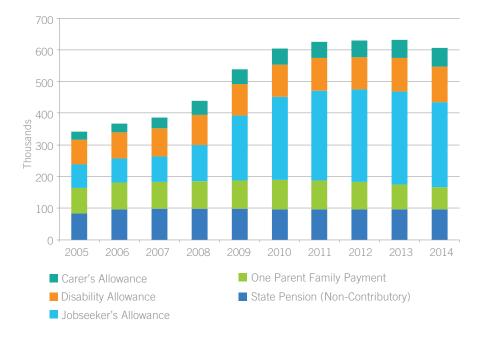


Table A10: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Assistance or Insurance, 2013 and 2014

Type of Payment	Recip	ients	Change 2014
	2013	2014	over 2013
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	95,801	95,570	-0.2%
Jobseeker's Allowance	295,077	269,951	-8.5%
One-Parent Family Payment	78,246	69,884	-10.7%
Widows, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,781	N/a	N/a
Deserted Wife's Allowance	274	N/a	N/a
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance <sup>(1)</sup>	23,127	18,187	-21.4%
Farm Assist	10,303	9,809	-4.8%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	2,664	1,887	-29.2%
Back to Education Allowance	24,175	22,714	-6.0%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	11	2	-81.8%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance			
Self - Employed First Year	5,216	6,580	26.2%
Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	4,882	4,586	-6.1%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	290	373	28.6%
Community Employment Programme	22,575	23,249	3.0%
Tús <sup>(2)</sup>	6,999	7,877	12.5%
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(2)</sup>	2,537	2,576	1.5%
Job Initiative	0	1,031	N/a
JobBridge	6,058	6,047	-0.2%
Other Employment Supports	0	7,313	N/a
Disability Allowance	106,279	112,097	5.5%
Blind Pension	1,385	N/a	N/a
Carer's Allowance	57,136	59,380	3.9%
Family Income Supplement	44,159	50,306	13.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	435	N/a	N/a
Rent Allowance	119	111	-6.7%
Total Social Assistance	789,529	769,530	-2.5%

Type of Payment	Recip	ients	Change 2014
	2013	2014	over 2013
State Pension (Contributory)	329,531	346,420	5.1%
State Pension (Transition)	12,630	1,548	-87.7%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	117,417	118,670	1.1%
Death Benefit Pension	646	636	-1.5%
Jobseeker's Benefit	55,068	46,335	-15.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	7,457	6,989	-6.3%
Maternity Benefit	22,812	22,708	-0.5%
Adoptive Benefit	15	13	-13.3%
Health and Safety Benefit	52	53	1.9%
Illness Benefit	58,990	57,024	-3.3%
Interim Illness Benefit	380	327	-13.9%
Injury Benefit	822	906	10.2%
Invalidity Pension	53,196	54,223	1.9%
Disablement Benefit	14,226	12,293	-13.6%
Carer's Benefit	1,598	1,769	10.7%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	947	N/a	N/a
Partial Capacity Benefit	1,234	1,432	16%
Total Social Insurance	677,021	671,346	-0.8%
Grand Total	1,466,550	1,440,876	-1.8%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and G for details of other Supplementary Payments.

<sup>(2)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

<sup>(3)</sup> The total figures include a small element of double counting as some people could be in receipt of more than one payment, the second of which might be, for example, Disablement Benefit, Rent Allowance, Family Income Supplement or half rate Carer's Allowance.

Table A11: Number of Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2005 to 2014

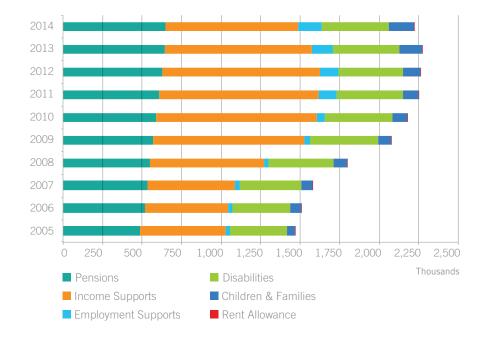
Type of Payment	Beneficiaries											
Type of Tayment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	88,194	101,050	101,469	101,577	101,349	100,676	100,299	99,725	99,448	99,313	-0.1%	
State Pension (Contributory)	156,007	173,949	299,663	314,295	331,273	348,144	366,340	382,949	400,630	417,653	4.2%	
State Pension (Transition)	118,706	118,009	7,752	9,511	10,704	12,850	15,013	17,388	14,924	1,735	-88.4%	
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	122,624	123,283	124,287	124,646	125,106	126,023	127,072	127,691	128,484	129,569	0.8%	
Death Benefit Pension	812	797	799	799	761	761	748	765	753	696	-7.6%	
<b>Total Pensions</b>	486,343	517,088	533,970	550,828	569,193	588,454	609,472	628,518	644,239	648,966	0.7%	
Jobseeker's Allowance	127,624	127,477	134,350	187,802	342,752	457,220	497,646	525,513	541,761	501,927	-7.4%	
One-Parent Family Payment	211,531	225,663	224,769	233,620	240,511	244,977	239,507	232,834	210,412	189,053	-10.2%	
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	14,729	2,168	2,138	2,042	1,998	1,977	1,959	1,860	1,781	N/a	N/a	
Deserted Wife's Allowance	1,382	766	693	617	550	487	409	336	274	N/a	N/a	
Prisoner's Wife's Allowance	2	2	2	1	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance <sup>(1)</sup>	54,245	44,889	48,188	63,251	77,566	69,430	64,783	60,040	41,655	31,197	-25.1%	
Farm Assist	18,442	17,039	16,514	16,787	20,660	25,369	26,909	26,327	23,704	22,164	-6.5%	
Pre-Retirement Allowance	15,895	15,743	14,861	12,177	10,094	8,032	6,372	4,801	3,412	2,393	-29.9%	
Jobseeker's Benefit	71,384	66,773	79,611	169,001	229,059	176,231	135,491	113,904	76,841	63,911	-16.8%	
Deserted Wife's Benefit	14,995	13,614	12,386	11,404	10,523	9,765	9,152	8,595	8,109	7,386	-8.9%	
Maternity Benefit	10,791	14,898	20,948	23,421	23,294	23,456	23,947	22,850	22,812	22,708	-0.5%	
Adoptive Benefit	32	59	55	68	64	53	45	14	15	13	-13.3%	
Health and Safety Benefit	31	37	40	71	58	64	69	72	66	68	3.0%	
Total Number of Beneficiaries of Working Age on Income Supports	541,083	529,128	554,555	720,262	957,129	1,017,061	1,006,289	997,146	930,842	840,820	-9.7%	
Community Employment Programme	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	42,438	41,383	45,102	45,669	1.3%	
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(2)</sup>	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	5,419	5,531	5,381	5,351	-0.6%	
Tús <sup>(2)</sup>	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	4,342	8,814	13,348	14,715	10.2%	
Job Initiative	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	1,031	N/a	
Back to Work Allowance Employee	7,733	7,336	9,086	7,185	3,921	1,673	332	39	17	6	-64.7%	
<b>Back to Work Enterprise Allowance</b>												
Self - Employed First Year	3,247	3,312	4,249	3,506	4,303	11,165	12,669	12,637	11,690	14,735	26.0%	
Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	9,246	5,064	6,928	7,232	6,106	6,713	11,642	11,376	10,809	10,119	-6.4%	
JobBridge	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	8,685	8,998	3.6%	
Back to Education Allowance	7,371	8,473	9,219	11,876	22,735	29,820	37,099	37,720	36,801	34,594	-6.0%	
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	218	201	210	184	173	161	180	215	290	373	28.6%	

Table A11: Number of Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2005 to 2014 (Continued)

Type of Payment					Benefi	ciaries					Change
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2014 over 2013
Other Employment Supports	N/a	7,313	N/a								
Partial Capacity Benefit	N/a	1,849	2,105	13.8%							
Total Number of Beneficiaries of Working Age on Employment Supports	27,815	24,386	29,692	29,983	37,238	49,532	114,121	117,715	133,972	145,009	8.2%
Disability Allowance	104,319	109,756	117,797	127,422	132,913	134,788	137,469	137,051	144,728	154,212	6.6%
Blind Pension	2,476	1,949	1,975	1,930	1,945	2,184	2,028	1,987	1,875	N/a	N/a
Carer's Allowance	48,014	52,916	60,765	71,935	82,892	81,377	83,126	83,010	91,050	94,869	4.2%
Illness Benefit	102,476	104,203	106,959	110,764	114,418	118,401	106,528	93,905	85,324	80,725	-5.4%
Interim Illness Benefit	537	488	605	731	460	504	433	482	574	456	-20.6%
Injury Benefit	1,354	1,372	1,267	1,238	1,051	1,185	1,130	998	1,171	1,246	6.4%
Invalidity Pension	86,662	79,793	79,981	78,853	77,042	73,560	71,983	71,941	76,248	76,647	0.5%
Disablement Benefit	13,318	13,435	13,629	13,824	14,669	15,039	14,580	14,764	14,598	12,293	-15.8%
Carer's Benefit	1,810	3,553	4,429	4,801	4,155	3,631	3,634	3,472	2,610	2,419	-7.3%
<b>Total People with Disabilities</b>	360,966	367,465	387,407	411,498	429,545	430,669	420,911	407,610	418,178	422,867	1.1%
Family Income Supplement	51,404	65,661	70,352	85,817	81,679	90,463	94,157	105,545	142,509	161,889	13.6%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	444	1,019	442	437	420	986	1,032	1,016	1,011	N/a	N/a
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	781	1,827	818	833	860	2,084	2,143	2,116	2,133	N/a	N/a
Total Children & Families	52,629	68,507	71,612	87,087	82,959	93,533	97,332	108,677	145,653	161,889	11.1%
Rent Allowance	270	250	227	217	192	179	159	141	119	111	-6.7%
<b>Grand Total</b>	1,469,106	1,506,824	1,577,463	1,799,875	2,076,256	2,179,428	2,248,284	2,259,807	2,273,003	2,219,662	-2.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and G for details of other Supplementary Payments.(2) From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

## Graph A15: Number of Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2005 to 2014



#### Table A12: Number of Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Assistance or Insurance, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment					Benefi	ciaries					Change
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2014 over 2013
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	88,194	101,050	101,469	101,577	101,349	100,676	100,299	99,725	99,448	99,313	-0.1%
Jobseeker's Allowance	127,624	127,477	134,350	187,802	342,752	457,220	497,646	525,513	541,761	501,927	-7.4%
One-Parent Family Payment	211,531	225,663	224,769	233,620	240,511	244,977	239,507	232,834	210,412	189,053	-10.2%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	14,729	2,168	2,138	2,042	1,998	1,977	1,959	1,860	1,781	N/a	N/a
Deserted Wife's Allowance	1,382	766	693	617	550	487	409	336	274	N/a	N/a
Prisioner's Wife's Allowance	2	2	2	1	N/a						
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance (1)	54,245	44,889	48,188	63,251	77,566	69,430	64,783	60,040	41,655	31,197	-25.1%
Farm Assist	18,442	17,039	16,514	16,787	20,660	25,369	26,909	26,327	23,704	22,164	-6.5%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	15,895	15,743	14,861	12,177	10,094	8,032	6,372	4,801	3,412	2,393	-29.9%
Back to Education Allowance	7,371	8,473	9,219	11,876	22,735	29,820	37,099	37,720	36,801	34,594	-6.0%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	7,733	7,336	9,086	7,185	3,921	1,673	332	39	17	6	-64.7%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance											
Self-Employed First Year	3,247	3,312	4,249	3,506	4,303	11,165	12,669	12,637	11,690	14,735	26.0%
Self-Employed Years 2 - 4	9,246	5,064	6,928	7,232	6,106	6,713	11,642	11,376	10,809	10,119	-6.4%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	218	201	210	184	173	161	180	215	290	373	28.6%
Community Employment Programme	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	42,438	41,383	45,102	45,669	1.3%
Tús <sup>(2)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4,342	8,814	13,348	14,715	10.2%
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(2)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5,419	5,531	5,381	5,351	-0.6%
Job Initiative	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,031	N/A
JobBridge	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	8,685	8,998	3.6%
Other Employment Supports	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7,313	N/A
Blind Pension	2,476	1,949	1,975	1,930	1,945	2,184	2,028	1,987	1,875	N/a	N/a
Disability Allowance	104,319	109,756	117,797	127,422	132,913	134,788	137,469	137,051	144,728	154,212	6.6%
Carer's Allowance	48,014	52,916	60,765	71,935	82,892	81,377	83,126	83,010	91,050	94,869	4.2%
Family Income Supplement	51,404	65,661	70,352	85,817	81,679	90,463	94,157	105,545	142,509	161,889	13.6%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	444	1,019	442	437	420	986	1,032	1,016	1,011	N/a	N/a
Rent Allowance	270	250	227	217	192	179	159	141	119	111	-6.7%
<b>Total Social Assistance</b>	766,786	790,734	824,234	935,615	1,132,759	1,267,677	1,369,976	1,397,901	1,435,862	1,400,032	2.5%

Type of Payment					Benefi	ciaries					Change
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2014 over 2013
State Pension (Contributory)	156,007	173,949	299,663	314,295	331,273	348,144	366,340	382,949	400,630	417,653	4.2%
State Pension (Transition)	118,706	118,009	7,752	9,511	10,704	12,850	15,013	17,388	14,924	1,735	-88.4%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	122,624	123,283	124,287	124,646	125,106	126,023	127,072	127,691	128,484	129,569	0.8%
Death Benefit Pension	812	797	799	799	761	761	748	765	753	696	-7.6%
Jobseeker's Benefit	71,384	66,773	79,611	169,001	229,059	176,231	135,491	113,904	76,841	63,911	-16.8%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	14,995	13,614	12,386	11,404	10,523	9,765	9,152	8,595	8,109	7,386	-8.9%
Maternity Benefit	10,791	14,898	20,948	23,421	23,294	23,456	23,947	22,850	22,812	22,708	-0.5%
Adoptive Benefit	32	59	55	68	64	53	45	14	15	13	-13.3%
Health and Safety Benefit	31	37	40	71	58	64	69	72	66	68	3.0%
Illness Benefit	102,476	104,203	106,959	110,764	114,418	118,401	106,528	93,905	85,324	80,725	-5.4%
Interim Illness Benefit	537	488	605	731	460	504	433	482	574	456	-20.6%
Injury Benefit	1,354	1,372	1,267	1,238	1,051	1,185	1,130	998	1,171	1,246	6.4%
Invalidity Pension	86,662	79,793	79,981	78,853	77,042	73,560	71,983	71,941	76,248	76,647	0.5%
Disablement Benefit	13,318	13,435	13,629	13,824	14,669	15,039	14,580	14,764	14,598	12,293	-15.8%
Carer's Benefit	1,810	3,553	4,429	4,801	4,155	3,631	3,634	3,472	2,610	2,419	-7.3%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	781	1,827	818	833	860	2,084	2,143	2,116	2,133	N/a	N/a
Partial Capacity Benefit	N/A	1,849	2,105	13.8%							
<b>Total Social Insurance</b>	702,320	716,090	753,229	864,260	943,497	911,751	878,308	861,906	835,292	819,630	-1.9%
<b>Grand Total</b>	1,469,106	1,506,824	1,577,463	1,799,875	2,076,256	2,179,428	2,248,284	2,259,807	2,271,154	2,219,662	-2.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and G for details of other Supplementary Payments.

<sup>(2)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

#### Table A13: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Sex, Payment Type and Assistance or Insurance, 2013 and 2014

Type of Payment		Ma	ile			Fen	nale		Total
	2013	2014	Percentage of Total Scheme Recipients (2014)	Change 2014 over 2013	2013	2014	Percentage of Total Scheme Recipients (2014)	Change 2014 over 2013	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	35,803	35,898	37.6%	0.3%	59,998	59,672	62.4%	-0.5%	95,570
Jobseeker's Allowance	203,384	181,127	67.1%	-10.9%	91,693	88,824	32.9%	-3.1%	269,951
One-Parent Family Payment	1,463	1,018	1.5%	-30.4%	76,783	68,866	98.5%	-10.3%	69,884
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	286	N/a	N/a	N/a	1,495	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Deserted Wife's Allowance	0	0	N/a	N/a	274	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance (1)	13,039	10,299	56.6%	-21.0%	10,088	7,888	43.4%	-21.8%	18,187
Farm Assist	9,515	9,033	92.1%	-5.1%	788	776	7.9%	-1.5%	9,809
Pre-Retirement Allowance	2,047	1,445	76.6%	-29.4%	617	442	23.4%	-28.4%	1,887
Back to Education Allowance	14,904	13,760	60.6%	-7.7%	9,271	8,954	39.4%	-3.4%	22,714
Back to Work Allowance	9	2	100.0%	-77.8%	2	0	N/a	-100.0%	2
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	7,661	8,408	75.3%	9.8%	2,437	2,758	24.7%	13.2%	11,166
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	152	195	52.3%	28.3%	138	178	47.7%	29.0%	373
Community Employment Programme	13,254	12,880	55.4%	-2.8%	10,689	10,369	44.6%	-3.0%	23,249
Tús <sup>(2)</sup>	5,110	5,613	71.3%	9.8%	1,889	2,264	28.7%	-55.7%	7,877
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(2)</sup>	2,047	2,071	80.4%	1.2%	490	505	19.6%	3.1%	2,576
JobBridge	3,105	3,069	50.8%	-1.2%	2,953	2,978	49.2%	0.8%	6,047
Disability Allowance	62,584	65,737	58.6%	5.0%	43,695	46,360	41.4%	6.1%	112,097
Blind Pension	731	N/a	N/a	N/a	654	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Carer's Allowance	12,742	13,376	22.5%	5.0%	44,394	46,004	77.5%	3.6%	59,380
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	66	N/a	N/a	N/a	369	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Family Income Supplement	18,006	20,343	40.4%	13.0%	26,153	29,963	59.6%	14.6%	50,306
Rent Allowance	24	41	36.9%	70.8%	95	70	63.1%	-26.3%	111
Total Social Assistance <sup>(3)</sup>	405,932	384,315	50.5%	-5.3%	384,965	376,871	50.6%	-2.1%	761,186

Table A13: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Sex, Payment Type and Assistance or Insurance, 2013 and 2014 (Continued)

Type of Payment		Ma	ıle			Fen	ıale		Total
	2013	2014	Percentage of Total Scheme Recipients (2014)	Change 2014 over 2013	2013	2014	Percentage of Total Scheme Recipients (2014)	Change 2014 over 2013	
State Pension (Contributory)	213,370	222,807	64.3%	4.4%	116,161	123,613	35.7%	6.4%	346,420
State Pension (Transition)	7,661	935	60.4%	-87.8%	4,969	613	39.6%	-87.7%	1,548
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	16,579	17,004	14.3%	2.6%	100,838	101,666	85.7%	0.8%	118,670
Death Benefit Pension	7	7	1.1%	0.0%	639	629	98.9%	-1.6%	636
Jobseeker's Benefit	27,504	22,849	49.3%	-16.9%	27,564	23,486	50.7%	-14.8%	46,335
Deserted Wife's Benefit	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	7457	6989	100.0%	-6.3%	6,989
Maternity Benefit	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	22,812	22,708	100.0%	-0.5%	22,708
Adoptive Benefit	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	15	13	100.0%	-13.3%	13
Health and Safety Benefit	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	52	53	100.0%	1.9%	53
Illness Benefit	21,427	20,259	35.5%	-5.5%	37,563	36,765	64.5%	-2.1%	57,024
Injury Benefit	501	571	63.0%	14.0%	321	335	37.0%	4.4%	906
Interim Illness Benefit	242	199	60.9%	-17.8%	138	128	39.1%	-7.2%	327
Invalidity Pension	24,806	24,976	46.1%	0.7%	28,390	29,247	53.9%	3.0%	54,223
Disablement Benefit	11,096	9,822	79.9%	-11.5%	3,130	2,471	20.1%	-21.1%	12,293
Carer's Benefit	269	265	15.0%	-1.5%	1,329	1,504	85.0%	13.2%	1,769
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	163	N/a	N/a	N/a	784	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Partial Capacity Benefit	457	543	37.9%	18.8%	777	889	62.1%	14.4%	1,432
Total Social Insurance	324,082	320,237	47.7%	-1.2%	352,939	351,109	52.6%	-0.5%	671,346
Grand Total <sup>(3)</sup>	730,014	704,552	49.2%	-3.5%	737,904	727,980	51.5%	-1.3%	1,432,532

<sup>(1)</sup> Gender breakdown is estimated

<sup>(2)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

<sup>(3)</sup> A breakdown of the Job Initiative and Other Employment Support recipients on Tables A9 & A10 are not available.

#### Table A14: Number of Recipients, Qualified Adults and Qualified Children of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2014

Type of Payment	Recipients	Qualified	Qualified	Children	Other	Totals
		Adults	Full Rate	Half Rate (1)	Children	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	95,570	3,162	473	108	0	99,313
State Pension (Contributory)	346,420	68,850	1,327	1,056	0	417,653
State Pension (Transition)	1,548	173	10	4	0	1,735
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	118,670	0	10,899	0	0	129,569
Death Benefit Pension	636	0	60	0	0	696
Total Pensions	562,844	72,185	12,769	1,168	0	648,966
Jobseeker's Allowance	269,951	67,361	124,076	40,539	0	501,927
One-Parent Family Payment	69,884	0	119,169	0	0	189,053
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	N/a	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Deserted Wife's Allowance	N/a	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance (2)	18,187	3,191	9,819	0	0	31,197
Farm Assist	9,809	4,314	6,207	1,834	0	22,164
Pre-Retirement Allowance	1,887	446	48	12	0	2,393
Jobseeker's Benefit	46,335	4,714	6,614	6,248	0	63,911
Deserted Wife's Benefit	6,989	0	397	0	0	7,386
Maternity Benefit	22,708	0	0	0	0	22,708
Adoptive Benefit	13	0	0	0	0	13
Health and Safety Benefit	53	3	9	3	0	68
Total Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports	445,816	80,029	266,339	48,636	0	840,820
Community Employment Programme	23,249	6,685	8,787	6,948	0	45,669
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(3)</sup>	2,576	1,009	1,380	386	0	5,351
Tús <sup>(3)</sup>	7,877	2,056	3,141	1,641	0	14,715
Job initiative	1,031	0	0	0	0	1,031
Back to Work Allowance Employee	2	1	2	1	0	6
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	6.500	2 242	,	4 00 /		4 / 705
Self - Employed First Year	6,580	2,212	4,619	1,324	0	14,735
Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	4,586	1,511	2,999	1,023	0	10,119
JobBridge Debit Strategy and Aller Strategy and All	6,047	869	1,500	582	0	8,998
Back to Education Allowance	22,714	2,594	6,795	2,491	0	34,594
Part-Time Job Incentive scheme	373	0	0	0	0	373
Other Employment Supports	7,313	0	0	0	0	7,313
Partial Capacity Benefit	1,432	156	240	277	0	2,105
Total Recipients of Working Age on Employment Supports	83,780	17,093	29,463	14,673	0	145,009

Type of Payment	Recipients	Qualified	Qualified	Children	Other	Totals
		Adults	Full Rate	Half Rate (1)	Children	
Disability Allowance	112,097	11,614	21,829	8,672	0	154,212
Blind Pension	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Carer's Allowance	59,380	0	3,112	32,377	0	94,869
Illness Benefit	57,024	5,510	8,523	9,668	0	80,725
Interim Illness Benefit	327	37	68	24	0	456
Injury Benefit	906	101	158	81	0	1,246
Invalidity Pension	54,223	7,621	5,092	9,711	0	76,647
Disablement Benefit	12,293	0	0	0	0	12,293
Carer's Benefit	1,769	0	110	540	0	2,419
Total People with Disabilities	298,019	24,883	38,892	61,073	0	422,867
Family Income Supplement	50,306	0	0	0	111,583	161,889
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Children	50,306	0	0	0	111,583	161,889
Rent Allowance	111	0	0	0	0	111
Grand Total <sup>(4)</sup>	1,440,876	194,190	347,463	125,550	111,583	2,219,662

<sup>(1)</sup> Where each spouse is in receipt of a half rate increase in respect of a qualified child, some double counting of the number of qualified children may occur.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes Basic Weekly Payments only.

<sup>(3)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

<sup>(4)</sup> The total figures include a small element of double counting as some people could be in receipt of more than one payment, the second of which might be, for example, Disablement Benefit, Rent Allowance, Family Income Supplement or half rate Carer's Allowance

#### Table A15: Number of Persons in each Social Insurance Class, 2004 to 2013

Insurance	Insured for	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011		2012(1)			2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	
Class		Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total							
Α	All Benefits (3)	2,079,898	2,177,034	2,312,003	2,414,659	2,399,052	2,260,305	2,206,758	2,199,625	1,088,467	1,100,342	2,188,809	1,087,365	1,079,575	2,166,940
В	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pensions, Bereavement Grant, Guardian's Payment (Contributory), Carer's Benefit and limited Injuries Benefits.	31,490	30,320	29,285	28,687	27,920	27,068	24,767	23,578	12,144	11,111	23,255	11,125	10,661	21,786
С	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pensions, Bereavement Grant, Carer's Benefit and Guardian's Payment (Contributory).	944	1,021	950	890	831	749	664	615	495	43	538	448	44	492
D	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pensions, Guardian's Payment (Contributory), Bereavement Grant, Carer's Benefit and Occupational Injuries Benefits.	92,646	88,281	82,885	80,601	77,417	74,010	68,430	63,603	23,154	33,737	56,891	20,894	31,957	52,851
E	All benefits except Jobseeker's Benefit, Bereavement Grant and Occupational Injuries Benefits.	165	163	176	160	166	173	165	165	127	28	155	123	31	154
Н	All benefits on discharge. Treatment Benefit, Bereavement Grant, Carer's Benefit and Widow/er's (Contributory) Pension (in certain cases) during service	8,503	8,572	8,361	8,447	8,511	8,530	7,960	7,808	7,397	419	7,816	7,241	428	7,669
J <sup>(4)</sup>	Occupational Injuries Benefits.	27,084	25,559	24,314	30,092	33,308	32,125	40,146	46,240	24,754	21,663	46,417	23,024	21,299	44,323
K	No Social Insurance benefits. Class K consists of the Health Contribution.	37,302	36,158	39,655	39,075	39,817	36,363	32,891	2,462	1,299	746	2,045	3,061	1,397	4,458
М	Occupational Injuries Benefits in certain circumstances.	151,300	154,554	158,372	168,209	174,784	189,130	207,054	250,157	161,920	103,175	265,095	176,795	113,146	289,941
Р	Treatment Benefit and limited Jobseeker's and Illness Benefits.	8	14	14	14	13	21	21	17	16	0	16	9	0	9
S	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pensions, Guardian's Payment (Contributory), State Pension (Contributory), Bereavement Grant, Maternity Benefit and Adoptive Benefit.	320,996	356,640	356,548	361,769	369,319	372,279	373,669	340,671	276,224	57,395	333,619	272,986	63,691	336,677

Table A15: Number of Persons in each Social Insurance Class, 2004 to 2013 (Continued)

Insurance	Insured for	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011		2012(1)			2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	
Class		Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total							
Voluntary Contributors	High Rate + Low Rate: State Pension (Transition), State Pension (Contributory), Widow/er's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension, Guardian's Payment (Contributory) and Death Grant.	1,826	1,874	1,924	2,040	2,786	3,567	3,736	4,369	3,056	1,927	4,983	2,473	1,614	4,087
	TOTAL	2,752,162	2,880,190	3,014,487	3,134,643	3,133,924	3,004,320	2,966,261	2,939,310	1,599,053	1,330,586	2,929,639	1,605,544	1,323,843	2,929,387

<sup>(1)</sup> Revised figures

Note: The figures for 2013 represent the most recent out-turn of End - of - Year returns received from the Revenue Commissioners for both employees and self - employed contributors, for example, the Self - Employed figures represent the number of self - employed returns received in the Department at the time the extraction exercise was carried out. As the transfer of End of Year data is an ongoing process, these figures should not be viewed as an estimate of the final outturn of contributors for that year. Data for 2014 is not yet processed.

Table A16: Number of Insured Persons, 2004 to 2013

	Insured Population	Index
2004	2,752,162	100.0
2005	2,880,190	104.7
2006	3,014,487	109.5
2007	3,134,643	113.9
2008	3,133,924	113.9
2009	3,004,320	109.2
2010	2,928,936	106.4
2011	2,939,310	106.8
2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	2,929,639	106.4
2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	2,929,387	106.4

<sup>(1)</sup> Revised

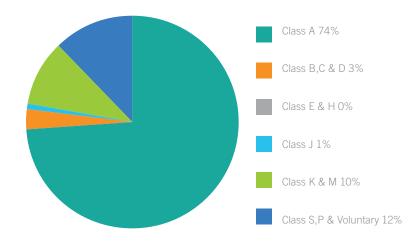
<sup>(2)</sup> Provisional figures

<sup>(3)</sup> This includes 350,670 and 337,976 people in 2011 and 2012 respectively in receipt of credited contributions.

<sup>(4)</sup> Class J includes FAS and other trainees.

<sup>(2)</sup> Provisional

Graph A16: Analysis of Insured Population, 2013



Graph A17: Number of Persons in each Social Insurance Class, 2004 to 2013

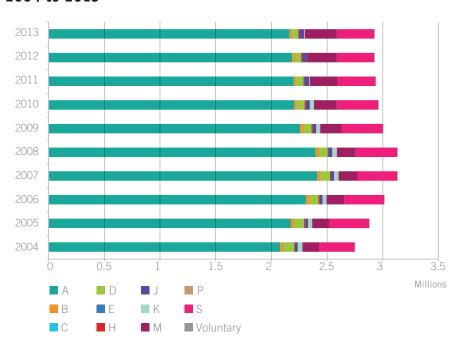


Table A17: Social Welfare Weekly Rates of Payment from January 2014

Type of Payment	Personal	Qualified D	ependent_
		Adult	Child
	€	€	€
SOCIAL INSURANCE:			
State Pension (Contributory / Transition) (1)	230.30	153.50	29.80
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's			
Contributory Pension / Deserted Wife's Benefit (2)	193.50	0.00	29.80
Death Benefit Pension	218.50	0.00	29.80
Jobseeker's Benefit	188.00	124.80	29.80
Maternity Benefit	230.00	0.00	0.00
Illness Benefit	188.00	124.80	29.80
Invalidity Pension	193.50	138.10	29.80
Disablement Benefit	219.00	0.00	0.00
Carer's Benefit	205.00	0.00	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	161.00	0.00	0.00
SOCIAL ASSISTANCE:			
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	219.00	144.70	29.80
Jobseeker's Allowance(3):			
Maximum personal rate age 26 years or over	188.00	124.80	29.80
Maximum personal rate age 25 years	144.00	124.80	0.00
Maximum rate aged 18 years to 24 years	100.00	100.00	0.00
One Parent Family Payment/Deserted Wife's Allowance	188.00	0.00	29.80
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non- Contributory Pension	188.00	0.00	29.80
Supplementary Welfare Allowance (3):			
Maximum personal rate age 26 years or over	186.00	124.80	29.80
Maximum personal rate age 25 years	144.00	124.80	0.00
Maximum personal rate under 25 years	100.00	100.00	0.00
Farm Assist	188.00	124.80	29.80
Pre-Retirement Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Community Employment Programme	208.00	124.80	29.80
Rural Social Scheme	208.00	124.80	29.80
Tús	208.00	124.80	29.80
Disability Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Carer's Allowance (4)	204.00	0.00	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	161.00	0.00	0.00

Type of Payment	Personal	Qualified Dependent		
		Adult	Child	
	€	€	€	
OTHER PAYMENTS:				
Living Alone Allowance	7.70	0.00	0.00	
Over 80 Allowance	10.00	0.00	0.00	
Island Allowance	12.70	0.00	0.00	
Child Benefit (monthly)	130.00	0.00	0.00	

<sup>(1)</sup> If Qualified Adult is 66 years or over a rate of €206.30 is payable.
(2) If Recipient is 66 or over a rate of €230.30 is payable.
(3) These rates apply on or after 15 January 2014 - see www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/sw19.aspx for further details.
(4) If Recipient is aged 66 or over a rate of €239.00 is payable.

#### Table A18: Social Welfare Weekly Rates of Payment from January 2015

Type of Payment	Personal	Qualified I	Dependent
		Adult	Child
	€	€	€
SOCIAL INSURANCE:			
State Pension (Contributory / Transition) <sup>(1)</sup>	230.30	153.50	29.80
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension / Deserted			
Wife's Benefit (2)	193.50	0.00	29.80
Death Benefit Pension	218.50	0.00	29.80
Jobseeker's Benefit	188.00	124.80	29.80
Maternity Benefit	230.00	0.00	0.00
Illness Benefit	188.00	124.80	29.80
Invalidity Pension	193.50	138.10	29.80
Disablement Benefit	219.00	0.00	0.00
Carer's Benefit	205.00	0.00	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	161.00	0.00	0.00
SOCIAL ASSISTANCE:			
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	219.00	144.70	29.80
Jobseeker's Allowance (3):			
Maximum personal rate age 26 years or over	188.00	124.80	29.80
Maximum personal rate age 25 years	144.00	124.80	0.00
Maximum rate aged 18 years to 24 years	100.00	100.00	0.00
One Parent Family Payment/Deserted Wife's Allowance	188.00	0.00	29.80
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non- Contributory Pension	188.00	0.00	29.80
Supplementary Welfare Allowance (3):			
Maximum personal rate age 26 years or over	186.00	124.80	29.80
Maximum personal rate age 25 years	144.00	124.80	0.00
Maximum personal rate under 25 years	100.00	100.00	0.00
Farm Assist	188.00	124.80	29.80
Pre-Retirement Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Community Employment Programme	208.00	124.80	29.80
Rural Social Scheme	208.00	124.80	29.80
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Type of Payment	Personal	Qualified I	Dependent
		Adult	Child
	€	€	€
Disability Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Carer's Allowance (4)	204.00	0.00	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	161.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER PAYMENTS:			
Living Alone Allowance	9.00	0.00	0.00
Over 80 Allowance	10.00	0.00	0.00
Island Allowance	12.70	0.00	0.00
Child Benefit (monthly)	135.00	0.00	0.00
(i) TO A US A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	133.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>(1)</sup> If Qualified Adult is 66 years or over a rate of €206.30 is payable.

<sup>(2)</sup> If Recipient is 66 or over a rate of €230.30 is payable.

<sup>(3)</sup> These rates apply on or after 15 January 2015 - see www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/sw19.aspx for further details.
(4) If Recipient is aged 66 or over a rate of €239.00 is payable.

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(1) Rebased from data published by the Central Statistics Office.

Note: Based on the rates of Jobseeker's Benefit, Jobseeker's Allowance and Illness Benefit.

Table A20: Index of Long-Term Rates (State Pensions) of Payment and Consumer Price Index, 2005 to 2014

Year	Single Person	Couple	Couple with 2 Children Including Child Benefit	Couple with 4 Children Including Child Benefit	Consumer Price Index <sup>(1)</sup>
2005	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2006	107.8	107.8	106.7	105.9	104.0
2007	116.7	116.7	115.9	114.8	109.0
2008	124.5	124.5	123.3	122.0	113.5
2009	128.4	128.4	127.2	125.8	108.4
2010	128.4	128.4	127.3	125.9	107.4
2011	128.4	128.4	126.1	124.1	110.1
2012	128.4	128.4	126.1	122.1	112.0
2013	128.4	128.4	125.0	120.0	112.3
2014	128.4	128.4	125.0	119.1	111.9

(1) Rebased from data published by the Central Statistics Office. Note: Based on the rates of State Pension (Contributory).

# **SECTION B** PENSIONS

#### **Section B: Pensions**

#### **Expenditure and Recipients**

Expenditure on pensions was just over €6,595 million in 2014. This represents an increase of 2.2% on 2013.

The overall number of payments in respect of pensions rose by 6,819 in 2014, an increase of 1.2% on 2013. The number of people in receipt of a contributory pension (State Pension (Contributory) and State Pension (Transition)) based on social insurance contributions rose by 5,807 while the number of people in receipt of the means tested State Pension (Non-Contributory) decreased by 231. The number of people in receipt of Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory) increased by 1,253 in 2014. The number of Death Benefit Pensions in payment decreased by 10 during 2014.

#### Notes: Scheme Changes and Comparability of Year-on-Year Data

In 2006 age related pensions were replaced by State Pensions, with significant administrative alterations to several weekly payment types which had up to that point provided for people aged over 65. These changes, implemented in stages following the introduction of the State Pensions, have resulted in substantial migrations of recipients between scheme types, with accompanying changes in expenditure on these schemes. The most significant transfers of recipients were those involving State Pension (Contributory), formerly known as Old Age Pension (Contributory), and State Pension (Transition), formerly known as Retirement Pension.

Recipients of Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil Partner's Pension, Deserted Wife's Allowance, Blind Pension, One Parent Family Payment and Prisoner's Wife's Allowance have since 2006 been transferred to State Pension (Non-Contributory) upon reaching 66 years of age, resulting in some decreases in recipients and expenditure on such schemes and concomitant increases in recipients and expenditure on State Pension (Non-Contributory). Further alterations have resulted in Qualified Adults of a State Pension (Non-Contributory) aged over 66 qualifying for a pension in their own right, with recipients of Invalidity Pension aged 66 years or over being automatically transferred to State Pension (Contributory) on reaching that age threshold.

A side-effect of these changes is the erosion of data comparability between 2006 and subsequent years in relation to recipients and expenditure on the affected schemes.

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Graph B1: Expenditure on Pensions by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

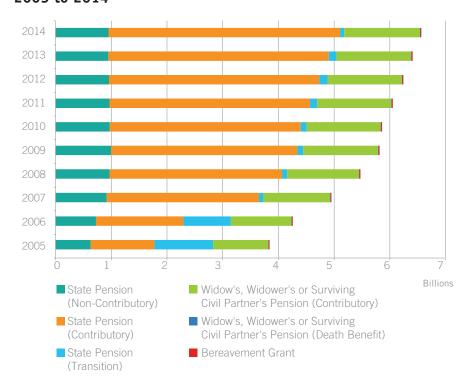


Table B1: Expenditure on Pensions by Payment Type,2005 to 2014

Payment Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(1)	Change
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	2014 over 2013
Social Assistance											
Jobseeker's Allowance	667,483	768,560	875,092	1,158,851	2,004,556	2,809,381	2,974,987	3,054,741	3,108,974	2,924,261	-5.9%
Social Insurance											
State Pension (Contributory)	1,152,849	1,580,896	2,754,749	3,117,855	3,367,733	3,451,503	3,622,746	3,802,795	3,983,264	4,185,233	5.1%
State Pension (Transition)(2)	1,060,052	857,627	79,070	92,089	104,976	108,194	132,395	146,629	137,270	73,768	-46.3%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	998,524	1,094,884	1,204,979	1,299,039	1,353,391	1,335,584	1,337,865	1,343,198	1,349,840	1,369,759	1.5%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Death Benefit)	6,523	7,047	7,574	8,036	8,207	7,778	7,977	7,827	7,775	8,068	3.8%
Bereavement Grant <sup>(2)</sup>	13,572	12,686	16,673	17,851	18,889	18,292	19,436	19,755	20,286	4,271	-78.9%
TOTAL	3,862,819	4,280,922	4,983,212	5,507,635	5,853,742	5,898,644	6,092,188	6,283,415	6,450,892	6,595,467	2.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional

<sup>(2)</sup> Both the State Pension Transition and Bereavement Grant schemes were closed to new applicants with effect from 1 January 2014

Table B2: Number of Recipients by Type of State Pension, 2005 to 2014

Year	State Pension (Non-Contributory) <sup>(1)</sup>	State Pension (Contributory) <sup>(1)</sup>	State Pension (Transition) <sup>(1)</sup>	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	Death Benefit	Total	Percentage Variance 2014 over 2013
2005	84,454	124,611	91,047	109,017	647	409,776	-
2006	97,404	139,724	91,086	110,146	646	439,006	7.1%
2007	97,726	237,599	5,851	111,460	647	453,283	3.3%
2008	97,784	250,117	7,242	112,237	651	468,031	3.3%
2009	97,798	265,102	8,378	113,108	637	485,023	3.6%
2010	97,179	280,419	10,206	114,579	633	503,016	3.7%
2011	96,749	296,995	12,110	115,762	628	522,244	3.8%
2012	96,126	312,314	14,372	116,751	645	540,208	3.4%
2013	95,801	329,531	12,630	117,417	646	556,025	2.9%
2014	95,570	346,420	1,548	118,670	636	562,844	1.2%

See note on scheme changes and comparability of data in the introduction to this section
 State Pension Transition was closed to new applicants with effect from 1 January 2014

Table B3: Number of Recipients of State Pensions by Beneficiaries, 2014

Type of Recipient	State Pension Non-Contributory	State Pension Contributory	State Pension (Transition)¹	Widow's, Widow- er's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	Death Benefit
Personal Rate only	91,995	275,762	1,368	112,041	576
with Qualified Adult under 66	3,162	16,471	78	0	0
With Qualified Adult over 66		52,379	95	0	0
With Qualified Children	413	1,808	7	6,629	60
Total Number of Recipients	95,570	346,420	1,548	118,670	636
Number of Recipients with Qualified Adult	3,162	68,850	173	0	0
Percentage of Recipients with a Qualified Adult	3.3%	19.9%	11.2%	0.0%	0.0%
1 full rate Qualified Child	239	785	4	3,610	38
2 full rate Qualified Children	65	165	0	2,050	17
3 full rate Qualified Children	22	40	0	749	4
4 full rate Qualified Children	4	17	0	172	0
5 full rate Qualified Children	2	0	0	37	1
6+ full rate Qualified Children	2	4	0	11	0
1 half rate Qualified Child	57	593	2	0	0
2 half rate Qualified Children	15	162	1	0	0
3 half rate Qualified Children	7	34	0	0	0
4 half rate Qualified Children	0	5	0	0	0
5 half rate Qualified Children	0	2	0	0	0
6+ half rate Qualified Children	0	1	0	0	0
Number of Recipients with Qualified Child Allowance	413	1,808	7	6,629	60
% of Recipients with Children	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%	5.6%	9.4%
Total Number of Children	581	2,383	8	10,899	89

<sup>(1)</sup> State Pension Transition was closed to new applicants with effect from 1 January 2014

Table B4: Number of Recipients of State Pensions by Age and Sex, 2014

Age Group	State Pension (Non-Contributory)		State Po (Contrib		State Pension (Transition)		Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension		Totals	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Under 20 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20 to 24 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 to 29 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	33	3	33
30 to 34 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	198	42	198
35 to 39 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	143	474	143	474
40 to 44 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	364	1,054	364	1,054
45 to 49 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	647	1,917	647	1,917
50 to 54 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,306	3,450	1,306	3,450
55 to 59 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,161	5,752	2,161	5,752
60 to 64 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,155	8,785	3,155	8,785
65 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	805	2,208	805	2,208
66 to 69 years	8,975	12,084	68,595	41,823	935	613	2,103	9,768	80,608	64,288
70 to 74 years	9,028	12,708	63,282	33,167	0	0	2,256	14,595	74,566	60,470
75 to 79 years	6,964	11,655	46,351	22,132	0	0	1,772	17,628	55,087	51,415
80 to 84 years	5,471	10,353	29,415	15,637	0	0	1,278	16,872	36,164	42,862
85 to 89 years	3,735	7,689	11,619	7,604	0	0	684	11,977	16,038	27,270
90 to 94 years	1,435	4,009	3,112	2,675	0	0	235	5,657	4,782	12,341
95 years and over	290	1,174	433	575	0	0	50	1,298	773	3,047
Total	35,898	59,672	222,807	123,613	935	613	17,004	101,666	276,644	285,564
OVERALL TOTAL	95,5	570	346,	420	1,5	48	118,	670	562,2	208

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Table B5: N	umber of Recip	oients of Allov	vances by Pri	mary Paymen	t Type, 2005	to 2014			
Year	State Pension (Non-Contributory)	State Pension (Contributory)	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	Death Benefit	Year	State Pension (Non-Contributory)	State Pension (Contributory)	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	Death Benefit
	Livi	ing Alone Allowa	nce				Island Allowance		
2005	25,155	27,252	44,070	202	2005	244	54	57	0
2006	62,691	31,216	45,243	208	2006	242	59	59	0
2007	32,904	52,210	46,352	214	2007	244	130	58	0
2008	33,211	53,891	47,881	218	2008	253	126	60	0
2009	33,032	54,903	47,042	214	2009	250	126	53	0
2010	32,942	56,736	47,613	210	2010	252	128	51	0
2011	33,058	59,093	48,076	215	2011	257	134	51	0
2012	32,854	60,437	48,973	232	2012	254	144	50	0
2013	32,969	62,234	49,597	236	2013	253	148	54	1
2014	32,908	64,879	50,365	238	2014	240	160	50	1
	0	ver 80 Allowance	e						
2005	30,454	25,204	29,441	0					
2006	37,185	31,454	30,444	85					
2007	37,222	51,154	31,339	96					
2008	37,297	45,566	32,182	105					

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Graph B2: Number of Recipients of Allowances by Primary Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

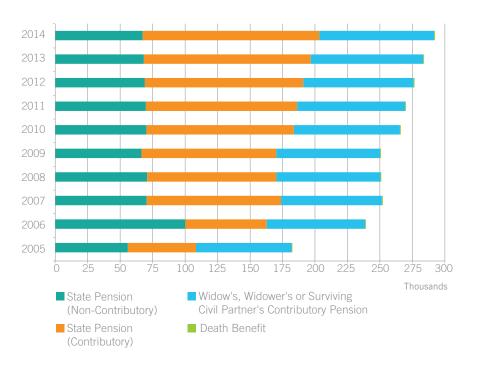
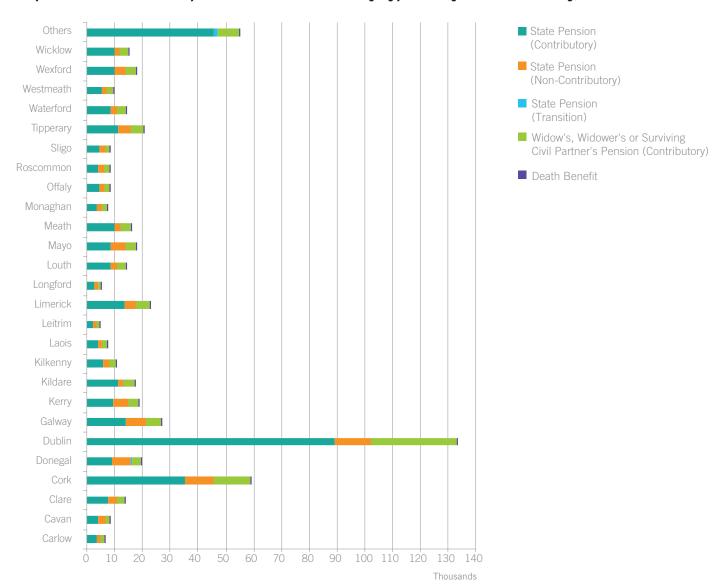


Table B6: Number of Recipients of State Pensions by Type of Payment and County, 2014

County	State Pension (Non-Contributory)	State Pension (Contributory)	State Pension (Transition)	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	Death Benefit
Carlow	1,213	3,711	1	1,435	11
Cavan	2,504	4,192	4	1,630	10
Clare	3,558	7,468	6	2,748	10
Cork	10,165	35,462	24	13,210	94
Donegal	6,907	9,145	13	3,471	21
Dublin	13,042	89,285	84	30,516	139
Galway	7,532	13,820	13	5,350	17
Kerry	5,147	9,651	15	3,715	22
Kildare	1,984	11,142	7	4,282	22
Kilkenny	2,085	5,961	7	2,162	16
Laois	1,608	3,900	1	1,627	4
Leitrim	1,279	2,193	5	992	7
Limerick	4,076	13,422	12	5,080	32
Longford	1,362	2,555	0	1,028	8
Louth	2,199	8,788	8	2,973	19
Mayo	5,824	8,375	8	3,410	12
Meath	2,495	9,845	6	3,643	22
Monaghan	1,945	3,655	1	1,449	11
Offaly	1,540	4,634	4	1,860	13
Roscommon	2,374	3,959	2	1,620	15
Sligo	1,954	4,643	7	1,751	7
Tipperary	4,508	11,257	9	4,489	49
Waterford	2,499	8,403	9	3,310	13
Westmeath	1,766	5,551	2	2,269	15
Wexford	3,932	9,985	10	3,722	19
Wicklow	2,049	9,747	6	3,196	16
<b>Others</b>	23	45,671	1,284	7,732	12
Total	95,570	346,420	1,548	118,670	636

Graph B3: Number of Recipients of State Pensions by Type of Payment and County, 2014



# **SECTION C** INCOME SUPPORTS

## Section C: Working Age Income Supports

#### **Expenditure and Recipients**

Expenditure on Working Age Income Supports decreased by €572.2 million or 10.4% overall in 2014 as a result of a 51,060 reduction in recipient numbers.

The payment type in this programme group with both the largest expenditure and number of recipients is Jobseeker's Allowance. At the end of 2014 there were 269,951 recipients. Expenditure in 2014 was nearly €2,925 million which represented an decrease of 5.9% over 2013.

The next largest payment type is the One-parent Family Payment with 69,884 recipients in 2014, down by 8,362 on 2013 or 10.7%

Jobseeker's Benefit dropped by 8,733 recipients from the 2013 figure of 55,068 and was 46,335 in 2014.

It should be noted that Deserted Wife's Benefit and Deserted Wife's Allowance schemes were closed to new entrants in January 1997, when the One-Parent Family Payment was introduced.

#### Notes: Scheme Changes and Comparability of Year-on-Year Data

Increases in the maximum duration and maximum payment of Maternity Benefit, in addition to the increases in the female population and the national birthrate, have resulted in a significant increase in expenditure on the scheme. In March 2006 the maximum duration of Maternity Benefit, Adoptive Benefit and Health and Safety Benefit claims was increased from 18 to 22 weeks, with a subsequent extension of Maternity Benefit in March 2007 to 26 weeks.

Table C1: Expenditure on Working Age Income Supports by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

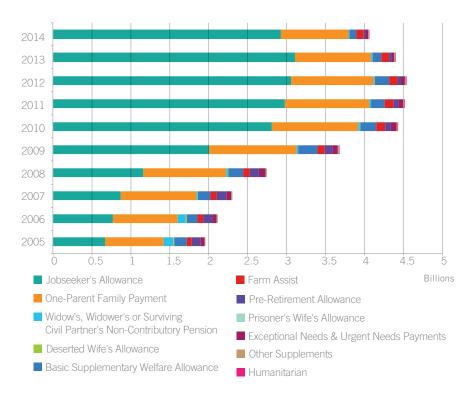
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%
Social Assistance											
Jobseeker's Allowance	667,483	768,560	875,092	1,158,851	2,004,556	2,809,381	2,974,987	3,054,741	3,108,974	2,924,261	-5.9%
One-Parent Family Payment	751,102	834,262	962,425	1,067,158	1,121,344	1,110,328	1,088,897	1,057,753	977,960	867,863	-11.3%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	126,944	103,688	19,921	21,181	21,275	19,252	18,173	17,670	16,735	16,479	-1.5%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	11,468	10,547	6,897	6,624	6,038	5,020	4,211	3,546	2,876	2,504	-12.9%
Prisoner's Wife's Allowance	14	13	16	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance Payments	162,368	134,974	150,420	184,477	233,532	199,951	168,848	176,491	104,539	81,863	-21.7%
Direct Provision Allowance	0	4,215	4,784	4,963	7,339	6,619	5,545	3,800	3,776	3,629	-3.9%
Farm Assist	67,284	71,085	78,686	84,881	93,297	110,931	113,724	108,170	99,178	93,639	-5.6%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	102,879	113,063	124,490	117,666	96,606	77,850	59,942	46,091	34,555	24,334	-29.6%
Exceptional Needs & Urgent Needs Payments	56,513	61,138	69,828	82,254	75,210	69,420	62,593	52,705	35,674	30,090	-15.7%
Other Supplements <sup>(2)</sup>	13,392	13,533	13,835	14,286	14,214	13,391	12,766	11,248	9,526	8,125	-14.7%
Humanitarian Aid	0	0	0	0	605	1,045	1	714	1,224	2,072	69.3%
Social Insurance											
Jobseeker's Benefit	418,085	455,073	544,931	928,844	1,733,816	1,285,438	926,900	736,881	560,460	420,398	-25.0%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	90,620	94,621	100,710	104,618	100,130	93,387	85,828	83,565	80,400	79,105	-1.6%
Maternity Benefit	132,412	180,801	257,896	315,878	331,289	323,938	309,141	303,527	292,597	269,930	-7.7%
Adoptive Benefit	709	818	1,333	1,644	1,247	891	1,075	465	309	169	-45.3%
Health & Safety Benefit	293	353	503	576	619	588	643	526	578	536	-7.3%
Redundancy & Insolvency Payments	150,347	170,012	188,178	202,264	350,398	490,304	326,184	317,578	141,118	77,982	-44.7%
Treatment Benefits	65,497	95,020	91,602	97,124	100,179	51,473	23,040	18,986	33,428	28,736	-14.0%
TOTAL	2,817,410	3,111,776	3,491,547	4,393,296	6,291,700	6,669,207	6,182,498	5,994,457	5,503,907	4,931,715	-10.4%

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes Heating, Diet and Travel

<sup>(3)</sup> The Redundancy and Employers Insolvency schemes were administered by the Department of Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation (DJEI) up to 30th September 2011. From October 2011, the administration of the schemes transferred to the Department of Social Protection.

Graph C1: Expenditure on Working Age Income Support Social Assistance Schemes, 2005 to 2014



Graph C2: Expenditure on Working Age Income Support Social Insurance Schemes, 2005 to 2014

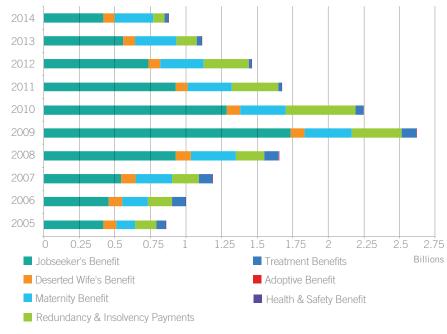


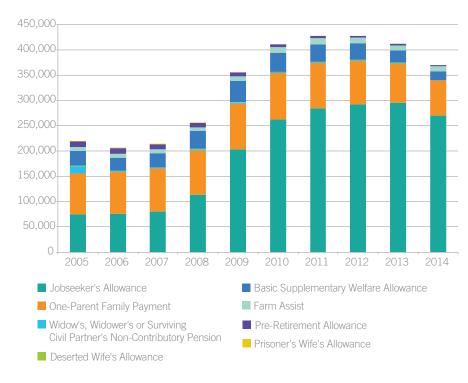
Table C2: Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012(1)	2013	2014 <sup>(2)</sup>	Percentage Variance 2014 over 2013
Social Assistance											
Jobseeker's Allowance	75,357	75,801	80,268	113,603	203,248	261,850	283,929	291,640	295,077	269,951	-8.5%
One-Parent Family Payment	80,366	83,081	85,084	87,840	90,484	92,326	90,307	86,941	78,246	69,884	-10.7%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	14,729	2,168	2,138	2,042	1,998	1,977	1,959	1,860	1,781	n/a	n/a
Deserted Wife's Allowance	1,382	766	693	617	550	487	409	336	274	n/a	n/a
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	28,066	25,330	27,379	35,546	42,775	37,499	34,597	32,358	23,127	18,187	-21.4%
Farm Assist	7,824	7,480	7,376	7,496	8,972	10,714	11,333	11,029	10,303	9,809	-4.8%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	11,058	11,149	10,624	8,872	7,468	6,021	4,820	3,670	2,664	1,887	-29.2%
Prisoner's Wife's Allowance	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Social Insurance											
Jobseeker's Benefit	52,754	50,542	59,167	121,763	160,122	123,457	96,044	78,459	55,068	46,335	-15.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	10,180	9,760	9,395	9,056	8,737	8,372	8,071	7,753	7,457	6,989	-6.3%
Maternity Benefit	10,791	14,898	20,948	23,421	23,294	23,456	23,947	22,850	22,812	22,708	-0.5%
Adoptive Benefit	32	59	55	68	64	53	45	14	15	13	-13.3%
Health & Safety Benefit	26	37	39	69	49	60	61	60	52	53	1.9%
Total	292,567	281,073	303,168	410,394	547,761	566,272	555,522	536,970	496,876	445,816	-10.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Minor revisions to previously published figures for JA, JB ,One Parent Family Payment, Farm Assist and Pre-Retirement Allowance for 2012 due to revised methodology.

<sup>(2)</sup> Recipients of other supplements which includes Heating Diet and Travel totalled 9,181 in 2014.

Graph C3: Recipients of Working Age on Income Support Payments (Assistance), 2005 to 2014



Graph C4: Recipients of Working Age on Income Support Payments (Insurance), 2005 to 2014

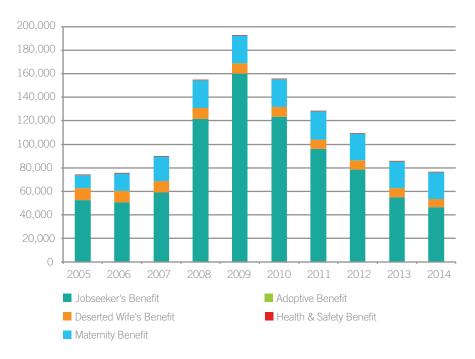


Table C3: Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Number of Dependents, 2014

Type of Recipient	Jobseeker's Allowance	Pre-Retirement Allowance	Jobseeker's Benefit
Personal Rate only	170,824	1,424	37,284
Number of Recipients with Qualified Adult Only	19,320	419	2,075
With Qualified Adult and Qualified Children	48,041	27	2,639
With Qualified Children only	31,766	17	4,337
Total Number of Recipients	269,951	1,887	46,335
Number of Recipients with Qualified Adult	67,361	446	4,714
Percentage of Recipients with a Qualified Adult	25.0%	23.6%	10.2%
1 full rate Qualified Child	23,007	22	1,560
2 full rate Qualified Children	20,865	8	1,242
3 full rate Qualified Children	10,263	2	565
4 full rate Qualified Children	4,150	1	172
5 full rate Qualified Children	1,400	0	26
6+ full rate Qualified Children	741	0	0
1 half rate Qualified Child	6,473	10	1,441
2 half rate Qualified Children	7,225	1	1,326
3 half rate Qualified Children	3,781	0	489
4 half rate Qualified Children	1,412	0	131
5 half rate Qualified Children	361	0	24
6+ half rate Qualified Children	129	0	0
Total Recipients with Children	79,807	44	6,976
% of Recipients with Children	29.6%	2.3%	15.1%
Total Number of Children	164,615	60	12,862

Table C4: Number of Recipients of Deserted Wife's Benefit in Receipt of Allowances 2005 to 2014

Year	Living Alone Allowance	Over 80 Allowance
2005	434	62
2006	475	756
2007	554	81
2008	607	96
2009	656	116
2010	683	118
2011	748	135
2012	798	158
2013	885	179
2014	957	186

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Table C5: Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Age and Sex, 2014

Age of Recipient (Years)	Jobsee Allow		One-Pare Payn	nt Family nent	Basic Supp Welfare A		Other Sup	plements	Farm <i>I</i>	Assist	Jobseekei	's Benefit	Maternity Benefit	Health & Safety Benefit / Adoptive Benefit	Tot	als	Grand Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Female	Female	Male	Female	
15	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
16	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	42
17	0	0	0	99	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99	99
18	2,089	1,397	0	220	131	143	6	12	0	0	0	2	5	0	2,226	1,779	4,005
19	3,114	2,130	0	494	166	112	16	12	1	0	3	3	18	0	3,300	2,769	6,069
20	3,263	2,335	0	802	180	155	12	20	8	1	24	20	65	0	3,487	3,398	6,885
21	3,374	2,248	3	1,214	194	167	11	32	9	0	84	80	98	1	3,675	3,840	7,515
22	3,780	2,397	4	1,665	208	172	18	36	14	1	194	207	158	1	4,218	4,637	8,855
23	4,393	2,706	10	2,126	222	191	11	45	13	0	344	337	226	0	4,993	5,631	10,624
24	4,749	2,817	7	2,378	199	154	24	41	17	0	387	418	276	2	5,383	6,086	11,469
25 to 29	25,744	14,035	60	14,252	1,286	905	142	286	142	9	2,438	2,795	3,458	14	29,812	35,754	65,566
30 to 34	25,222	12,122	134	15,130	1,423	973	230	381	299	12	3,487	3,901	9,323	24	30,795	41,866	72,661
35 to 39	22,403	10,050	198	12,741	1,365	1,025	352	392	579	54	3,484	3,575	7,463	12	28,381	35,312	63,693
40 to 44	21,457	9,343	228	10,068	1,290	910	385	296	921	85	2,874	2,722	1,548	4	27,155	24,976	52,131
45 to 49	18,824	8,476	194	5,375	1,077	917	363	329	1,315	132	2,562	2,312	66	6	24,335	17,613	41,948
50 to 54	16,460	7,736	115	1,944	965	876	422	358	1,584	152	2,259	2,240	4	2	21,805	13,312	35,117
55 to 59	13,278	6,086	53	294	790	653	417	395	1,746	154	1,920	1,971	0	0	18,204	9,553	27,757
60 to 64	11,192	4,360	10	17	583	399	438	433	1,955	147	1,690	1,648	0	0	15,868	7,004	22,872
65 years	1,762	581	1	0	78	45	104	99	419	28	1,092	1,247	0	0	3,456	2,000	5,456
66 to 69	23	5	1	0	125	71	291	343	11	1	7	8	0	0	458	428	886
70 to 74	0	0	0	0	9	10	315	395	0	0	0	0	0	0	324	405	729
75 to 79	0	0	0	0	4	6	294	518	0	0	0	0	0	0	298	524	822
80 and over	0	0	0	0	4	4	224	683	0	0	0	0	0	0	228	687	915
Total	181,127	88,824	1,018	68,866	10,299	7,888	4,075	5,106	9,033	776	22,849	23,486	22,708	66	228,401	217,720	446,121

Table C6: Number of Recipients of One-Parent Family Payment by Status of Parent, Age and Sex, 2014

Age Group	Divor	ced	Unmarried Separated		Widowed or Civil Pa		Tot	al
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
15 years	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5
16 years	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	42
17 years	0	0	0	99	0	0	0	99
18 years	0	0	0	220	0	0	0	220
19 years	0	1	0	491	0	2	0	494
20 years	0	1	0	799	0	2	0	802
21 years	0	1	3	1,213	0	1	3	1,215
22 years	0	1	4	1,663	0	2	4	1,666
23 years	0	1	10	2,123	0	2	10	2,126
24 years	0	2	7	2,374	1	43	8	2,419
25 to 29 years	1	22	58	14,187	2	184	61	14,393
30 to 34 years	1	42	131	14,904	3	414	135	15,360
35 to 39 years	11	77	184	12,250	7	750	202	13,077
40 to 44 years	13	111	208	9,207	15	711	236	10,029
45 to 49 years	17	76	162	4,588	7	324	186	4,988
50 to 54 years	11	75	97	1,545	9	63	117	1,683
55 to 59 years	7	14	37	217	2	5	46	236
60 to 64 years	1	3	7	9	0	0	8	12
65 years	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Total	63	427	909	65,936	46	2,503	1,018	68,866
Overall Total		490		66,845		2,549		69,884

Number of Recipients of One-Parent Family Payment by Status of Parent and Number of Children, 2014

Type of Recipient	Divorced	Unmarried Parent, Separated Parent	Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner	Total <sup>(1)</sup>
With 1 child	1,130	35,492	165	36,787
With 2 children	997	20,441	170	21,608
With 3 children	378	7,538	90	8,006
With 4 children	180	2,291	37	2,508
With 5 children	50	618	18	686
With 6 or more children	25	231	10	266
<b>Total Recipients</b>	2,760	66,611	490	69,861

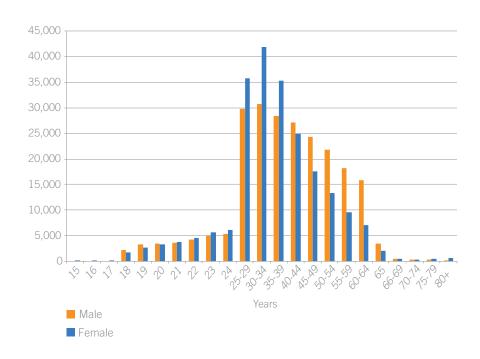
<sup>(1)</sup> There were 30 recipients of One-Parent Family Payment who were not in receipt of a qualfied child increase at December 2014. This is usually because their qualified child is now claiming a One-Parent Family Payment in their own right.

Table C7: Number of Recipients of Pre-Retirement Allowance by Age and Sex, 2014

Age	Male	Female	Total
60	0	0	0
61	0	0	0
62	146	42	188
63	332	104	436
64	413	134	547
65	554	162	716
Total	1,445	442	1,887

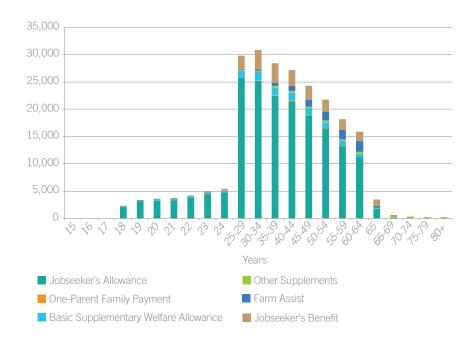
Note: Pre-Retirement Allowance was abolished for new claimants with effect from 4th July 2007

Graph C5: Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Age and Sex, 2014(Excluding Pre-retirement Allowance)

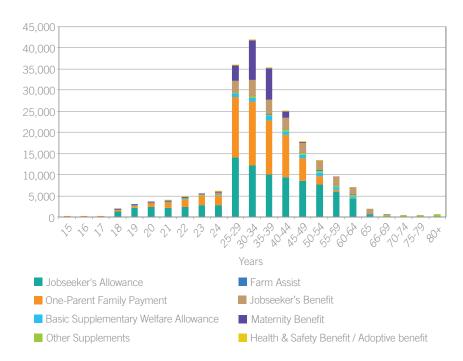


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Graph C6: Male Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Age and Scheme, 2014



Graph C7: Female Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Age and Scheme, 2014



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Table C8: Number of Recipients of Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance by Category, 2005 to 2014

Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance Payments	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Interim Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance Paym	ents									
Pending State Pension	146	174	157	171	217	201	208	199	199	195
Pending Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension	77	76	79	96	72	85	80	65	57	89
Total Pensions	223	250	236	267	289	286	288	264	256	284
Pending Jobseeker's Allowance	5,171	4,606	5,559	11,041	18,016	12,935	10,154	7,805	3,463	1,929
Pending Jobseeker's Allowance Appeal	571	577	595	882	1,263	1,558	976	668	327	176
Pending One- Parent Family Payment	3,321	2,786	2,814	3,036	3,461	3,291	2,750	2,291	1,518	733
Pending Jobseeker's Benefit	776	808	1,218	2,822	1,792	1,062	704	482	165	81
Pending Jobseeker's Benefit Appeal	38	28	26	33	35	33	17	15	10	4
Total Income Supports	9,877	8,805	10,212	17,814	24,567	18,879	14,601	11,261	5,483	2,923
Pending Disability Allowance	3,308	3,521	3,750	3,687	4,352	5,401	6,455	6,978	5,856	4,375
Pending Carer's Allowance	186	240	282	288	281	361	504	633	355	363
Pending Illness Benefit	1,536	1,674	850	1,573	1,703	1,731	1,630	1,377	1,089	906
Pending Illness Benefit Appeal	50	60	56	87	188	198	203	157	103	51
Pending Injury Benefit	50	51	74	95	57	42	30	50	33	48
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	5,130	5,546	5,012	5,730	6,581	7,733	8,822	9,195	7,436	5,743
Pending Other Social Welfare Payments	587	443	507	457	410	393	1,640	2,323	1,094	786
Sub-Total	15,817	15,044	15,967	24,268	31,847	27,291	25,351	23,043	14,269	9,736
Other Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance Paymen	ts									
Sick No Benefit	2,742	2,764	3,813	3,558	3,426	3,247	3,318	3,887	3,745	3,687
Other Increment to Scale	263	278	339	399	507	521	523	523	411	390
Other <sup>(1)</sup>	9,244	7,244	7,260	7,321	6,984	6,440	5,405	4,905	4,702	4,374
Sub-Total	12,249	10,286	11,412	11,278	10,917	10,208	9,246	9,315	8,858	8,451
Total	28,066	25,330	27,379	35,546	42,764	37,499	34,597	32,358	23,127	18,187

<sup>(1)</sup> This category includes payments to persons who do not qualify for other Social Welfare payments and whose means are below the appropriate Supplementary Welfare Allowance rates.

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Graph C8: Graph C8: Number of Recipients of Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance by Category, 2005 to 2014

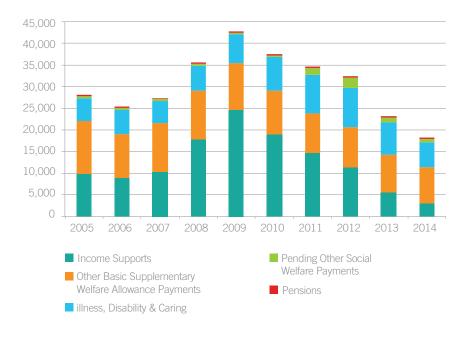


Table C9: Expenditure on Exceptional Needs Payments and Urgent Needs Payments, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	
Housing											
New Accommodation Kit	7,209	8,853	12,513	13,595	12,559	10,192	8,796	7,903	6,562	6,221	-5.2%
Household Appliances	5,886	6,740	6,647	7,375	6,460	5,580	5,387	4,951	3,475	3,237	-6.8%
Rent Deposit	5,861	4,805	4,549	7,218	6,598	4,500	3,768	2,671	2,108	1,461	-30.7%
Furniture	2,574	2,721	3,049	3,791	3,187	2,559	2,401	1,880	1,416	1,346	-4.9%
Floor Covering	1,854	1,934	1,974	2,454	2,065	1,887	1,753	1,385	983	906	-7.8%
Bedding	1,725	1,602	1,667	1,957	1,622	1,422	1,314	1,029	251	637	153.8%
Repair/Maintenance	1,113	1,283	1,451	1,331	1,321	1,389	1,341	1,018	792	689	-13.0%
Total Housing	26,223	27,938	31,849	37,720	33,812	27,529	24,761	20,837	15,587	14,497	-7.0%
Clothing											
Adult Clothing	6,794	7,117	7,603	8,113	7,438	7,132	6,883	6,078	2,936	2,270	-22.7%
Child Clothing	2,534	3,012	4,710	6,290	4,534	7,364	4,003	1,893	197	156	-20.8%
<b>Total Clothing</b>	9,328	10,128	12,313	14,403	11,971	14,496	10,887	7,971	3,133	2,426	-22.6%
Funeral											
Funeral Expenses	2,633	3,387	3,747	4,178	4,646	4,787	5,116	4,836	4,147	4,436	7.0%
Burial Expenses	385	419	456	572	558	562	370	332	251	153	-39.0%
Total Funeral	3,018	3,805	4,203	4,750	5,204	5,349	5,486	5,168	4,398	4,589	4.3%
Child Related											
Pram/Buggy	1,185	1,135	1,179	1,277	1,218	1,143	1,012	867	489	359	-26.6%
Cot	885	867	915	1,010	1,032	1,025	986	843	491	392	-20.2%
Total Child Related	2,070	2,002	2,094	2,286	2,250	2,168	1,997	1,710	980	751	-23.4%
Bills											
Rent/Mortgage Interest Arrears	3,898	4,047	4,486	5,885	6,163	5,091	5,103	4,980	3,710	2,010	-45.8%
Household	1,353	1,633	2,016	2,353	3,063	2,921	2,568	2,140	1,228	512	-58.3%
Total Bills	5,251	5,680	6,502	8,238	9,226	8,012	7,671	7,120	4,938	2,522	-48.9%
Illness											
Confinement Costs	823	871	988	1,110	1,103	966	818	701	378	283	-25.1%
Hospital Requirements	351	338	343	364	355	376	374	371	216	181	-16.2%
Total Illness	1,175	1,209	1,331	1,474	1,459	1,342	1,192	1,072	594	464	-21.9%

Table C9: Expenditure on Exceptional Needs Payments and Urgent Needs Payments, 2005 to 2014 (Continued)

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	
General											
Travel Costs	2,296	2,332	2,452	2,805	2,598	4,243	2,196	1,867	1,255	1,073	-14.5%
Insufficient Means	1,550	1,882	1,989	2,637	2,402	2,298	2,595	2,357	1,756	1,276	-27.3%
Heating	863	1,121	1,050	1,497	1,210	2,491	1,301	1,141	789	613	-22.3%
Lost/Stolen Money	135	154	160	203	183	1,474	145	127	82	78	-4.9%
Household Budget	98	97	82	113	110	168	144	176	96	75	-21.9%
Other	4,365	4,639	5,545	5,887	4,436	151	3,665	2,969	1,949	1,662	-14.7%
Total General	9,308	10,224	11,278	13,142	10,939	10,825	10,045	8,637	5,927	4,777	-19.4%
Urgent Needs Payments	140	152	259	241	350	188	190	189	104	65	-37.5%
<b>Grand Total</b>	56,513	61,138	69,828	82,254	75,210	69,909	62,228	52,704	35,661	30,091	-15.6%

It should be noted that some of the totals are not equal to the sum of the parts. This is due to rounding.

Graph C9: Expenditure on Exceptional Needs Payments and Urgent Needs Payments, 2005 to 2014

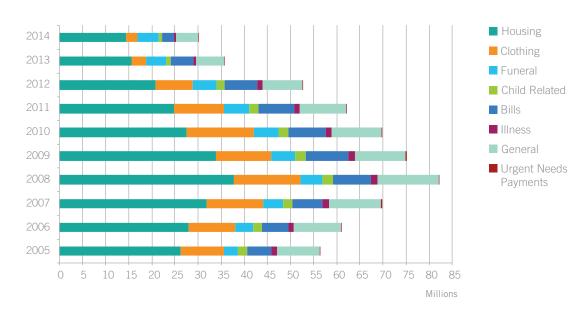


Table C10: Recipients of Exceptional Needs Payments and Urgent Needs Payments, 2013 and 2014

Type of Payment	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013
Housing			
New Accommodation Kit	5,963	5,683	-4.7%
Household Appliances	10,550	9,528	-9.7%
Rent Deposit	4,363	2,999	-31.3%
Furniture	3,386	3,153	-6.9%
Floor Covering	2,074	1,946	-6.2%
Bedding	4,702	3,902	-17.0%
Repair/Maintenance	3,464	2,731	-21.2%
Total Housing	34,502	29,942	-13.2%
Clothing			
Adult Clothing	26,954	21,601	-19.9%
Child Clothing	2,013	1,633	-18.9%
<b>Total Clothing</b>	28,967	23,234	-19.8%
Funeral			
Funeral Expenses	3,046	2,864	-6.0%
Burial Expenses	153	89	-41.8%
Total Funeral	3,199	2,953	-7.7%
Child Related			
Pram/Buggy	3,622	2,815	-22.3%
Cot	3,449	2,780	-19.4%
Total Child Related	7,071	5,595	-20.9%
Bills			
Rent/Mortgage Interest Arrears	5,429	3,005	-44.6%
Household	5,909	2,473	-58.1%
Total Bills	11,338	5,478	-51.7%
Illness			
Confinement Costs	3,227	2,513	-22.1%
Hospital Requirements	2,294	1,838	-19.9%
Total Illness	5,521	4,351	-21.2%

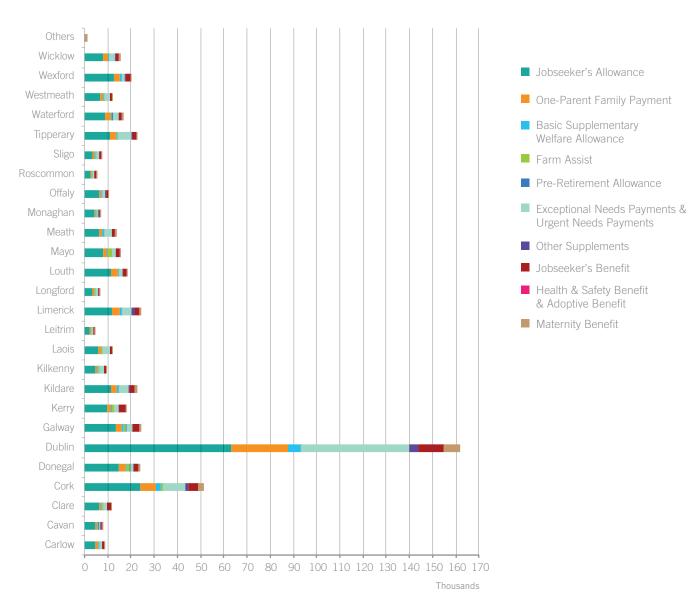
Type of Payment	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013
General			
ravel Costs	16,529	14,613	-11.6%
nsufficient Means	12,123	8,149	-32.8%
leating	3,087	2,417	-21.7%
ost/Stolen Money	943	803	-14.8%
lousehold Budget	409	352	-13.9%
Other Other	8,941	9,024	0.9%
otal General	42,032	35,358	-15.9%
Irgent Needs Payments	360	228	-36.7%
Grand Total	132,990	107,139	-19.4%

Table C11: Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Payment Type and County, 2014

County	Jobseeker's Allowance	One-Parent Family Payment	Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	Farm Assist	Pre-Retirement Allowance	Exceptional Needs Payments and Urgent Needs Payments	Other Supplements <sup>(1)</sup>	Jobseeker's Benefit	Health & Safety Benefit / Adoptive Benefit	Maternity Benefit
Carlow	4,827	1,055	272	76	33	1,249	102	649	1	289
Cavan	4,814	819	180	326	29	786	107	584	1	363
Clare	6,183	1,175	272	521	29	1,596	154	1,331	1	497
Cork	23,926	6,670	2,278	788	252	9,693	988	4,371	10	2,662
Donegal	14,993	2,614	400	1,458	175	1,549	118	1,984	0	562
Dublin	63,160	24,540	5,295	32	317	46,651	3,609	11,226	15	6,881
Galway	13,394	2,592	907	1,000	77	2,658	192	2,660	5	1,200
Kerry	9,638	1,899	430	721	76	2,047	156	2,563	2	590
Kildare	11,219	2,713	725	37	7	4,361	264	2,141	3	1,168
Kilkenny	4,826	835	390	120	31	2,132	113	764	0	452
Laois	5,874	1,159	379	116	33	3,396	181	815	0	351
Leitrim	2,251	315	103	377	21	815	13	486	1	133
Limerick	11,760	3,257	888	216	10	4,339	1,159	1,817	4	846
Longford	3,565	728	156	205	96	1,099	88	492	3	148
Louth	11,558	2,723	546	82	21	1,503	147	1,499	1	587
Mayo	8,229	1,495	401	1,614	85	1,603	100	1,575	3	6
Meath	6,289	1,311	820	81	84	3,125	121	1,071	1	1,016
Monaghan	4,146	722	272	446	24	495	68	568	0	307
Offaly	6,199	1,147	214	97	26	1,269	206	971	1	344
Roscommon	2,520	397	222	356	28	843	76	527	2	252
Sligo	3,555	742	340	283	17	1,494	36	683	1	275
Tipperary	10,912	2,501	680	336	26	5,760	527	1,774	2	267
Waterford	8,897	2,360	614	78	108	2,584	147	1,379	5	533
Westmeath	6,643	1,385	330	153	70	2,239	143	976	0	409
Wexford	12,541	2,703	646	223	16	1,309	196	2,046	2	643
Wicklow	8,032	2,027	427	67	138	2,544	170	1,383	0	709
Others	0	0	0	0	58	0	0	0	0	1,218
Total	269,951	69,884	18,187	9,809	1,887	107,139	9,181	46,335	64	22,708

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Diet, Other, Travel, etc.

# Graph C10: Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Scheme and County, 2014



# WORKING AGE EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS

# Section D: Working Age Employment Supports

#### **Expenditure and Recipients**

Expenditure on Working Age Employment Supports increased by 4.3% overall in 2014.

The payment type in this programme group with the highest number of recipients is Community Employment. At the end of 2014 there were 24,645 recipients. Expenditure in 2014 was nearly €360 million which represented an increase of 5.3% over 2013.

The number of recipients of Back to Work Allowance Employee decreased by 9 while the number in receipt of Back to Work Enterprise Allowance decreased by 1,068 during 2014.

The Rural Social Scheme, Tús and JobBridge had 2,576 and 7,877 and 6,047 participants, respectively.

#### Notes: Scheme Changes and Comparability of Year-on-Year Data

- (a) Employment Supports were transferred to the Department in January 2011 and comparison of 2011 and 2010 expenditure should take account of the increased expenditure in relation to these supports (€468 million).
- (b) Expenditure and recipients for the Rural Social Scheme and the Community Services Programme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.
- (c) Tús and JobBridge commenced during June, 2011.

Table D1: Expenditure on Employment Supports by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Change 2014 over 2013
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	%
Community Employment Programme <sup>(2)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	349,396	330,399	341,250	359,474	5.3%
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(3)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	13,872	46,835	45,242	44,203	43,763	-1.0%
Tús <sup>(4)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,761	67,055	92,060	116,054	26.1%
Job Initiative	0	0	0	0	0	0	29,932	25,794	24,924	23,364	-6.3%
Community Services Programme <sup>(3)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	8,198	45,452	45,390	44,853	43,028	-4.1%
Back to Work Allowance	53,563	56,497	71,072	73,169	76,434	87,960	114,582	127,203	119,505	118,833	-0.6%
JobBridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,914	54,739	67,688	76,030	12.3%
Back to Education Allowance	46,695	52,070	64,142	77,136	107,316	179,851	201,519	199,567	186,879	162,465	-13.1%
Part-time Job Incentive Scheme	1,295	1,277	1,320	1,324	1,445	1,157	1,032	1,370	1,978	2,281	15.3%
Local Employment Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	18,310	17,854	19,371	18,283	-5.6%
Wage Subsidy Scheme	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,695	10,566	11,042	12,912	16.9%
EmployAbility Service	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,483	8,104	8,713	8,434	-3.2%
Partial Capacity Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,107	7,377	9,972	35.2%
Gateway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	255	7,576	2871.0%
JobsPlus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,040	11,883	1042.6%
Others (5)	5,060	5,708	8,490	8,902	8,693	9,124	17,498	18,635	21,292	21,024	-1.3%
TOTAL	106,613	115,552	145,024	160,531	193,888	300,162	863,409	954,025	992,430	1,035,376	4.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional

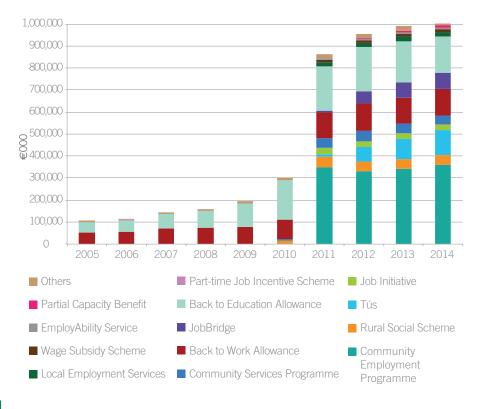
<sup>(2)</sup> Responsibility for the expenditure in relation to Community Employment and Other Employment Programmes transferred to the Department of Social Protection from January 2011 and information prior to 2011 is not available for inclusion in this report.

<sup>(3)</sup> Rural Social Schemes and Community Services Programme transferred to Department of Social Protection in September, 2010.

<sup>(4)</sup> Tús Community Work Placement Programme commenced early 2011.

<sup>(5)</sup> Includes Activation and Family Programme, Technical Assistance and Training Grants, Second Chance Education opportunities scheme, Payments to the long term unemployed (out of pocket expenses). Credit Union loan guarantee for Back to Work Participants. See Table A4 for full list of supports.

Graph D1: Expenditure on Employment Supports by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014



Graph D2: Number of Recipients of Employment Supports by Scheme Type, 2005 to 2014

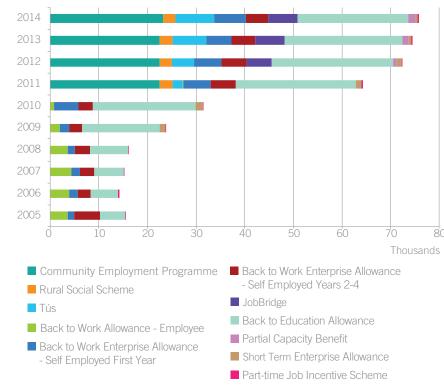


Table D2: Number of Recipients of Employment Supports by Scheme Type, 2005 and 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	2014 <sup>(3)</sup>	Percentage Variance 2014 over 2013
Community Employment Programme	0	0	0	0	0	0	22,589	22,445	22,575	23,249	3.0%
Rural Social Scheme <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,537	2,591	2,537	2,576	1.5%
Tús <sup>(1)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,077	4,530	6,999	7,877	12.5%
Job Initiative	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,031	0.0%
Back to Work Allowance - Employee	3,646	3,963	4,305	3,558	2,012	851	182	18	11	2	-81.8%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance - Self Employed First Year	1,302	1,683	1,811	1,470	1,966	5,011	5,617	5,656	5,216	6,580	26.2%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance - Self Employed Years 2 - 4	5,297	2,690	3,017	3,134	2,625	2,947	5,134	5,154	4,882	4,586	-6.1%
JobBridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,160	6,058	6,047	-0.2%
Back to Education Allowance	5,156	5,679	5,982	7,886	15,877	21,147	24,666	24,910	24,175	22,714	-6.0%
Partial Capacity Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	733	1,234	1,432	16.0%
Other Employment Supports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,313	0.0%
Short-Term Enterprise Allowance	0	0	0	0	1,152	1,364	1,285	1,052	559	458	-18.1%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	218	201	210	184	173	161	180	215	290	373	28.6%
Total	15,619	14,216	15,325	16,232	23,805	31,481	64,267	72,464	74,536	84,238	13.0%

<sup>(1)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

<sup>(2)</sup> in 2013 there were 1,364 Supervisors and Assistant Supervisors of Community Employment Programmes who are waged and therefore not in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. (3) in 2014 there were 1,396 Supervisors and Assistant Supervisors of Community Employment Programmes who are waged and therefore not in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment.

Table D3: Number of Recipients of Employment Support Payments by Scheme, Age and Sex 2014

Age of Participants (Years)	Comm Employ Progra	ment		Social me <sup>(1)</sup>	Tús	S <sup>(1)</sup>	Back to Enter Allow	prise		to Work wance	Back Educa Allow	tion	Сара	tial acity iefit	JobB	ridge	Enter	Term prise ance	Wo Placer Progra Gradi	ment Imme	Woi Placen Progra Ope	ment mme
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16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	20	24	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	22	21	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	50	40	0	0	29	21	0	0	0	0	146	124	0	0	35	61	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	64	46	0	0	91	60	0	0	0	0	374	300	0	0	43	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	60	42	0	0	139	83	0	0	0	0	648	473	0	0	84	111	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	63	47	1	1	141	85	0	0	0	0	699	559	0	0	92	129	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	43	59	2	1	149	75	0	0	0	0	781	525	0	0	152	192	1	0	0	0	1	0
24	48	49	2	2	154	88	176	79	0	0	885	551	0	0	188	182	2	1	0	0	4	0
25 to 29	677	1,003	10	2	617	295	1,153	424	0	0	3,815	2,252	5	10	761	724	16	14	1	0	3	4
30 to 34	902	1,115	33	7	681	277	1,841	621	1	. 0	2,345	1,267	26	51	545	457	61	44	1	0	4	2
35 to 39	1,331	1,296	70	22	709	290	1,631	527	0	0	1,556	1,007	47	103	373	334	55	36	0	0	1	1
40 to 44	1,578	1,261	140	48	745	244	1,352	413	C	0	1,072	747	85	124	301	224	46	30	1	0	2	1
45 to 49	1,663	1,233	265	71	704	265	1,002	319	1	. 0	707	518	73	180	211	202	39	27	0	0	4	4
50 to 54	1,846	1,161	411	116	690	230	669	219	C	0	404	367	89	157	144	154	37	9	0	0	3	3
55 to 59	2,617	1,593	512	135	536	197	404	114	0	0	210	188	105	143	87	88	18	4	0	0	0	2
60 to 64	2,057	917	535	89	222	53	162	39	0	0	88	52	96	110	44	24	12	4	0	1	1	1
65	254	87	90	11	5	0	18	3	0	0	8	3	17	10	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
66 to 69	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	13,276	9,973	2,071	505	5,613	2,264	8,408	2,758	2	0	13,760	8,954	543	889	3,069	2,978	288	170	3	1	23	18
Scheme Total	23,2			576	•	377	11,			2	22,7	14	1,4	¥32	6,0	)47	4!	58	4		41	

<sup>(1)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

Table D4: Number of Recipients of Employment Supports by Dependents 2014

Type of Recipient	Community Employment Programme <sup>(1)</sup>	Rural Social Scheme <sup>(2)</sup>	Tús <sup>(2)</sup>	Partial Capacity Benefit	Back to Work Allowance Self-employed	Back to Education Allowance
Supervisors and Assistant Supervisors	1,396	134	406	N/a	N/a	N/a
Personal Rate only	12,248	1,359	5,072	1,063		17,373
Number of Recipients with Qualified Adult Only	3,062	427	575	82	6,525	620
With Qualified Adult and Qualified Children	3,623	595	1,510	74		1,974
With Qualified Children only	4,316	195	720	213	4,641	2,747
Total Number of Recipients	23,249	2,576	7,877	1,432	11,166	22,714
Number of Recipients with Qualified Adult	6,685	1,022	2,085	156	3,791	2,594
Percentage of Recipients with a Qualified Adult	28.8%	39.7%	26.5%	10.9%	34.0%	11.4%
1 full rate Qualified Child	1,772	190	508	49	1,121	1,574
2 full rate Qualified Children	1,410	184	565	46	1,395	1,080
3 full rate Qualified Children	791	143	290	19	691	577
4 full rate Qualified Children	297	70	109	9	208	224
5 full rate Qualified Children	85	15	29	0	70	61
6+ full rate Qualified Children	33	8	9	1	20	20
1 half rate Qualified Child	1,267	44	187	85	0	394
2 half rate Qualified Children	1,412	84	312	52	360	423
3 half rate Qualified Children	681	25	99	21	458	255
4 half rate Qualified Children	151	21	80	4	227	88
5 half rate Qualified Children	32	5	6	0	72	18
6+ half rate Qualified Children	8	0	36	1	19	7
Total Recipients with Children	7,939	789	2,230	287	4,641	4,721
% of Recipients with Children	34.1%	30.6%	28.3%	20.0%	41.6%	20.8%
Total Number of Children	15,735	1,766	4,782	517	9,965	9,389

<sup>(1)</sup> Supervisors and Assistant Supervisors of Community Employment Programme are waged and are not in receipt of Dependents Increases.

<sup>(2)</sup> From 2014 all participants on the scheme are included, a small number of whom may be unpaid.

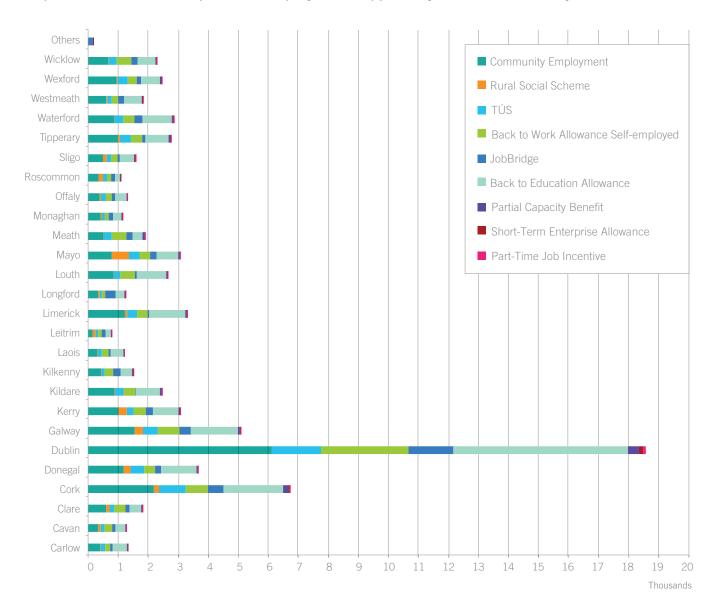
<sup>(3)</sup> A Qualified Child increase is payable at half rate where a spouse living with the recipient is not a Qualified Adult. Each spouse may receive half the Qualified Child increase where both spouses are in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. This can result in an element of double-counting.

Table D5: Number of Recipients of Employment Supports by Scheme and County, 2014

	Community Employment Programme	Rural Social Scheme	Tús	Back To Work Allowance Self-employed	Back to Work Allowance Employee	JobBridge	Back to Education Allowance	Partial Capacity Benefit	Short-Term Enterprise Allowance	Part-Time Job Incentive <sup>(1)</sup>	Totals
Carlow	401	18	149	168	0	78	475	27	7	0	1,323
Cavan	339	82	122	259	0	108	329	22	6	10	1,277
Clare	600	115	157	372	0	134	389	30	14	4	1,815
Cork	2,190	171	888	740	0	517	1,985	181	36	36	6,744
Donegal	1,185	224	458	363	0	203	1,175	42	6	16	3,672
Dublin	6,117	0	1,637	2,912	1	1,492	5,812	365	144	83	18,563
Galway	1,549	277	496	721	0	378	1,568	63	25	25	5,102
Kerry	1,017	274	222	406	0	240	848	35	22	14	3,078
Kildare	886	24	272	394	0	14	800	63	1	14	2,468
Kilkenny	429	17	106	283	1	252	371	35	14	6	1,514
Laois	308	20	129	226	0	69	426	14	7	6	1,205
Leitrim	154	100	86	112	0	128	179	16	2	4	781
Limerick	1,226	77	332	348	0	54	1,197	57	2	27	3,320
Longford	332	52	74	111	0	344	296	21	15	2	1,247
Louth	857	11	204	489	0	62	977	44	2	10	2,656
Mayo	791	571	350	355	0	212	721	47	13	26	3,086
Meath	517	14	256	489	0	205	332	71	8	4	1,896
Monaghan	421	42	98	126	0	148	274	19	15	1	1,144
Offaly	385	43	166	193	0	117	378	16	4	3	1,305
Roscommon	349	146	136	137	0	132	159	22	3	0	1,084
Sligo	497	125	144	216	0	76	471	24	29	3	1,585
Tipperary	994	66	366	376	0	104	774	65	12	20	2,777
Waterford	875	12	287	369	0	266	976	40	27	22	2,874
Westmeath	605	37	145	216	0	200	583	19	21	9	1,835
Wexford	953	39	330	298	0	144	627	54	7	14	2,466
Wicklow	668	19	267	487	0	207	592	36	7	14	2,297
0ther	0	0	0	0	0	163	0	4	9	0	176
Total	24,645	2,576	7,877	11,166	2	6,047	22,714	1,432	458	373	77,290

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on the number of recipients/participants at each Social Welfare Local Office

Graph D3: Number of Recipients of Employment Supports by Scheme and County, 2014



# SECTION E ILLNESS, DISABILITY AND CARING

# Section E: Illness, Disability and Caring

#### **Expenditure and Recipients**

Expenditure on Illness Benefit decreased by 3.5% and expenditure on Invalidity Pension decreased by 7.9%. Expenditure on Disability Allowance increased by 8.6%, there are now 111,552 recipients of the scheme.

Expenditure on Carer's Allowance increased by over €4.6 million in 2014, an increase of 0.8%. There are now 59,133 recipients of the Scheme, an increase of 2,244 year on year.

Graph E2 and Table E2 show details of the numbers of Carer's Allowance recipients from 2005 to 2014.

Carer's Benefit is a payment made to insured persons who leave the workforce to care for a person(s) who require full time care and attention. The number of recipients increased by 171 to 1,769 in 2014.

There were 25,751 recipients of a half-rate Carer's Allowance at the end of 2014 which represents an increase of 811 over 2013.

#### **Notes: Scheme Changes**

Recipients of Blind Pension have since 2006 been transferred to State Pension (Non Contributory) upon reaching 66 years of age, resulting in decreases in recipients and expenditure on the scheme. Recipients of Invalidity Pension have been transferred to State Pension (Contributory) upon reaching 66 years of age, this change also was introduced in 2006.

A side-effect of these changes is the erosion of data comparability between 2006 and subsequent years in relation to recipients and expenditure on the affected schemes.

From September 2007 a person may receive half-rate Carer's Allowance while in receipt of another Social Welfare Payment. This may result in some double counting.

Responsibility for Domiciliary Care Allowance was transferred to the Department of Social Protection in April, 2009.

Table E1: Expenditure on Illness, Disability and Carer's by Payment Type 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(1)	Change
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	2014 over 2013
SOCIAL ASSISTANCE											
Disability Allowance	630,728	738,431	901,131	1,052,660	1,142,769	1,109,505	1,089,178	1,087,513	1,140,916	1,238,470	8.6%
Blind Pension <sup>(2)</sup>	16,661	16,964	15,031	16,319	16,277	16,032	15,624	15,747	14,823	14,429	-2.7%
Carer's Allowance	223,059	284,584	361,257	450,260	502,469	501,789	507,193	509,671	554,801	559,456	0.8%
Domiciliary Care Allowance <sup>(3)</sup>	0	0	0	0	31,017	95,710	99,924	102,237	104,272	110,675	6.1%
Respite Care Grant <sup>(4)</sup>	34,302	50,458	73,376	98,204	99,200	128,097	130,392	136,353	119,945	118,506	-1.2%
SOCIAL INSURANCE											
Illness Benefit	540,245	627,642	755,077	852,305	919,783	942,571	875,549	773,959	648,938	625,975	-3.5%
Injury Benefit	14,231	16,123	17,194	19,250	18,143	17,884	16,507	15,860	14,592	16,537	13.3%
Invalidity Pension <sup>(2)</sup>	548,285	602,414	618,133	685,717	681,642	639,994	606,502	604,024	707,769	651,666	-7.9%
Disablement Benefit	67,026	72,526	79,283	84,443	85,677	78,822	77,460	76,147	76,118	76,622	0.7%
Medical Care	298	292	298	282	309	360	317	355	345	248	-28.1%
Carer's Benefit	9,588	16,688	26,900	33,666	30,204	26,288	24,474	24,498	22,443	23,652	5.4%
TOTAL	2,084,423	2,426,122	2,847,680	3,293,106	3,527,490	3,557,052	3,443,120	3,346,364	3,404,962	3,436,236	0.9%

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional (2) See note on scheme changes in the introduction to this section. (3) Responsibility for Domiciliary Care Allowance was transferred from the Health Service Executive to the Department of Social Protection in 2009.

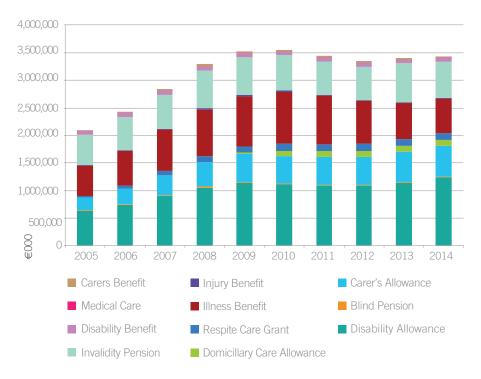
Table E2: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

Type of Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Percentage Variance 2014 over 2013
Disability Allowance	79,253	83,697	89,048	95,754	99,576	101,111	102,866	101,784	106,279	112,097	5.5%
Blind Pension <sup>(1)</sup>	1,985	1,476	1,474	1,472	1,467	1,485	1,496	1,456	1,385	N/a	N/a
Carer's Allowance	24,970	27,474	33,067	43,569	48,223	50,577	51,666	52,209	57,136	59,380	3.9%
Illness Benefit	61,845	65,774	70,404	73,609	77,665	81,253	73,397	64,429	58,990	57,024	-3.3%
Interim Illness Benefit <sup>(4)</sup>	355	338	440	525	318	374	327	363	380	327	-13.9%
Injury Benefit	908	924	900	846	726	835	776	671	822	906	10.2%
Invalidity Pension <sup>(1)</sup>	58,352	51,954	53,956	53,725	52,922	50,766	48,792	50,053	53,196	54,223	1.9%
Disablement Benefit (2) (3)	12,475	12,646	12,874	13,192	13,520	13,721	13,993	14,202	14,226	12,293	-13.6%
Carer's Benefit	867	1,647	2,080	2,249	1,917	1,642	1,637	1,638	1,598	1,769	10.7%
TOTAL	241,010	245,930	264,243	284,941	296,334	301,764	294,950	286,805	294,012	298,019	1.4%

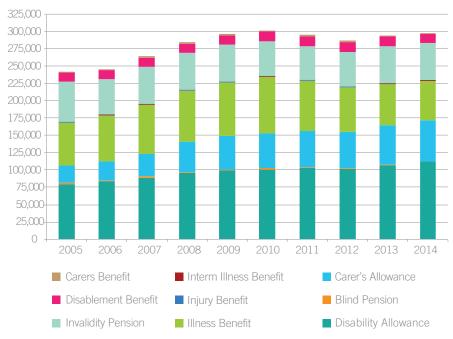
<sup>(1)</sup> See note on scheme changes in the introduction to this section. (2) Disablement Benefit is paid where a person suffers loss of physical or mental faculty as a result of an accident at work or contracting an occupational disease. It differs fundamentally from other Social Welfare income support payments in that it is a compensatory payment, rather than an income maintenance payment. Accordingly Disablement Benefit can be paid in addition to other Social Welfare Payments such as Illness Benefit and Invalidity Pension and can also be paid where a person continues to work. (3) Incapacity Supplement is paid as an increase to Disablement Benefit where a person is permanently incapable of work and does not qualify for any other Social Welfare Payment. 890 and 859 persons were in receipt of an Incapacity Supplement Payment at the end of 2013 and 2014 respectively. (4) Interim Illness Benefit is payable to Injury Benefit claim is being decided.

<sup>(4)</sup> Respite Care Grant was reported on separately for the first time in June 2005. Prior to that it was included in its parent scheme.

Graph E1: Expenditure on Illness, Disability and Carer's by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014



Graph E2: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments, 2005 to 2014



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Table E3: Number of Recipients of Allowances by Primary Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

Year	Disability Allowance	Invalidity Pension	Blind Pension
Living Alone Allowar	ice		
2005	14,819	10,079	411
2006	16,943	8,403	269
2007	18,831	8,995	269
2008	21,068	9,259	266
2009	22,334	9,279	272
2010	22,989	9,130	267
2011	23,491	9,064	263
2012	23,210	9,019	266
2013	24,006	9,348	248
2014	24,978	9,369	n/a
Island Allowance			
2005	93	18	8
2006	94	13	5
2007	99	14	5
2008	97	17	5
2009	98	18	5
2010	91	18	5
2011	90	16	5
2012	78	15	5
2013	77	12	5
2014	75	13	n/a

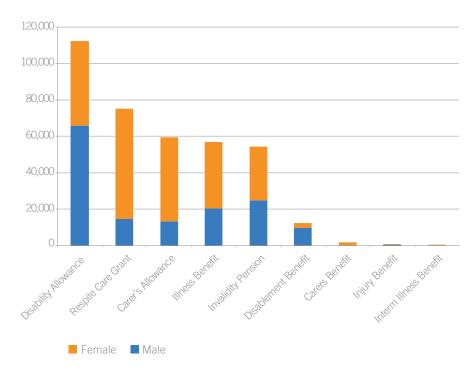
Table E4: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Age and Sex, 2014

Age (Years)	Disal Allow			er's vance	Respit Gra	e Care ant	Illness	Benefit	Injury	Benefit		Illness efit	Inval Pens		Disable Ben		Carer's	Benefit
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
16	673	352	0	0	0	0	7	9	5	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	828	453	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	848	475	3	2	3	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	883	546	9	22	9	22	1	2	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	851	528	12	32	12	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	875	623	19	53	20	68	25	16	7	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
22	958	627	38	102	37	118	46	66	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	1,016	697	41	107	37	139	82	124	7	5	5	2	0	1	2	0	0	1
24	1,010	649	29	160	27	189	92	144	8	6	2	1	1	0	6	2	0	2
25 to 29	4,762	3,445	261	1,539	260	1,983	729	1,597	51	44	15	13	32	45	90	36	3	45
30 to 34	5,633	4,117	440	3,231	475	4,795	1,418	3,470	96	44	38	27	212	368	238	79	18	203
35 to 39	6,140	4,391	842	4,813	930	7,566	1,817	4,155	85	29	33	25	590	998	458	148	43	315
40 to 44	7,030	4,834	1,364	6,507	1,541	10,096	2,143	4,756	93	38	49	12	1,134	1,835	729	252	48	316
45 to 49	7,561	5,405	1,815	6,446	1,975	9,101	2,250	4,894	62	45	22	11	1,798	2,843	922	326	48	192
50 to 54	7,944	5,795	1,906	5,703	2,012	6,968	2,727	5,266	58	48	18	11	3,279	4,970	1,216	347	40	204
55 to 59	8,237	6,046	1,760	4,711	1,834	5,241	3,325	5,307	47	49	9	15	5,709	6,964	1,417	370	43	139
60 to 64	8,801	6,166	1,513	4,095	1,590	4,504	4,553	5,837	33	16	7	9	9,627	9,086	1,147	288	18	76
65	1,677	1,204	256	805	277	894	1,043	1,122	4	2	1	1	2,594	2,137	275	68	1	3
66 to 69	10	7	1,038	2,881	1,133	3,231	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,376	287	3	7
70 to 74	0	0	930	2,488	1,052	2,885	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	940	145	0	1
75 to 79	0	0	680	1,493	811	1,803	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	576	71	0	0
80 to 84	0	0	305	639	399	795	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	295	35	0	0
85 to 89	0	0	100	150	135	207	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	101	12	0	0
90 to 94	0	0	13	22	19	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	4	0	0
95 and over	0	0	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	0
Total	65,737	46,360	13,376	46,004	14,591	60,671	20,259	36,765	571	335	199	128	24,976	29,247	9,822	2,471	265	1,504
<b>Grand Total</b>	112	,097	59,	380	75,	262	57,	024	90	06	3	27	54,2	223	12,2	293	1,7	69

The number of Respite Care Grant recipients reported is the total number in payment and include those who are not in receipt of any other Carer's payment.

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Graph E3: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Scheme and Sex, 2014



Graph E4: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Age, 2014

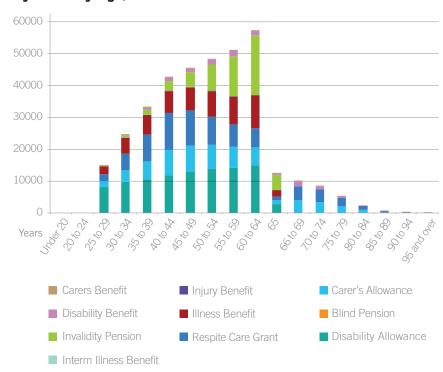


Table E5: Number of Recipients of Carer's Allowance Half-Rate Payment,2013 and 2014

Type of Payment	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013
State Pension Non-Contributory	2,327	2,303	-1.0%
State Pension Non-Contributory Qualified Adult	318	350	10.1%
State Pension (Transition/ Contributory)	3,809	3,918	2.9%
State Pension (Transition/Contributory) Qualified Adult	1,819	1,811	-0.4%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	1,313	1,357	3.4%
Jobseeker's Allowance Qualified Adult	1,849	2,003	8.3%
One Parent Family Payment	4,490	4,462	-0.6%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	101	94	-6.9%
Farm Assist	130	142	9.2%
Farm Assist Qualified Adult	135	124	-8.1%
Pre - Retirement Allowance	68	61	-10.3%
Pre-Retirement Allowance Qualified Adult	25	22	-12.0%
Jobseeker's Benefit Qualified Adult	360	304	-15.6%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	297	287	-3.4%
Maternity Benefit	38	45	18.4%
Adoptive Benefit	1	0	-100.0%
Back to Work Qualified Adult	56	42	-25.0%
Back to Work Self Employed	1	0	-100.0%
Back to Work Self Employed Qualified Adult	11	11	0.0%
Disability Allowance	1,321	1,445	9.4%
Disability Allowance Qualified Adult	1,657	1,882	13.6%
Disablement Pension	2	7	250.0%
Blind Pension	18	14	-22.2%
Qualified Adult Blind Pension	34	37	8.8%
Illness Benefit	1,003	1,030	2.7%
Illness Benefit Qualified Adult	365	421	15.3%
Injury Benefit	10	13	30.0%
Injury Benefit Qualified Adult	14	14	0.0%
Invalidity Pension	1,141	1,196	4.8%
Invalidity Pension Qualified Adult	1,353	1,426	5.4%
Incapacity Benefit	2	3	50.0%
Incapacity Benefit Qualified Adult	9	8	-11.1%
Others	863	919	6.5%
Total	24,940	25,751	3.3%
Number of Recipients of Full and Half Rate Carers by Rate and age group (under 66 and 66			
Age	Full Rate	Half Rate	Total
Under 66	31,949	16,687	48,636
66 years and over	1,608	9,064	10,672
Totals	33,557	25,751	59,308

Table E6: Number of Recipients of Disablement Benefit by Degree of Disablement and Sex, 2014

Degree of Disablement (1)	Male	Female	Total
Under 20%	1,603	523	2,126
20%	2,241	782	3,023
30%	2,761	672	3,433
40%	1,556	282	1,838
50%	705	102	807
60%	425	54	479
70%	205	21	226
80%	166	22	188
90%	41	5	46
100%	119	8	127
Total	9,822	2,471	12,293

<sup>(1)</sup>The rate of Disablement Benefit depends on the degree of disablement, which is medically assessed. For assessments of up to 10% disablement benefit will be paid as a single Gratuity. If the assessment is between 10% and 19% and is for life, the claimant has a choice between a pension and a Gratuity. From 20% upwards a pension is payable. In addition 40 Gratuities were paid, up until July 2014.

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Table E7: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Dependents, 2014

Type of Recipient	Disability Allowance	Carer's Allowance	Illness Benefit	Injury Benefit	Interim Illness Benefit	Invalidity Pension	Disablement Benefit	Carer's Benefit
Personal Rate only	91,309	43,527	44,426	736	273	39,928	12,293	1,467
Number of Recipients with Qualified Adult Only	5,453	0	2,775	37	6	5,683	0	0
With Qualified Adult and Qualified Children	6,161	0	2,735	64	31	1,938	0	0
With Qualified Children only	9,174	15,853	7,088	69	17	6,674	N/a	302
Total Number of Recipients	112,097	59,380	57,024	906	327	54,223	12,293	1,769
Number of Recipients with Qualified Adult	11,614	0	5,510	101	37	7,621	0	0
Percentage of Recipients with a Qualified Adult	10.4%	0.0%	9.7%	11.1%	11.3%	14.1%	0.0%	0.0%
1 full rate Qualified Child	5,116	890	2,047	34	11	1,602	N/a	29
2 full rate Qualified Children	3,145	469	1,463	35	16	857	N/a	18
3 full rate Qualified Children	1,588	196	726	10	7	346	N/a	15
4 full rate Qualified Children	718	87	227	6	1	121	N/a	0
5 full rate Qualified Children	294	35	67	0	0	36	N/a	0
6+ full rate Qualified Children	197	26	19	0	0	12	N/a	0
1 half rate Qualified Child	1,784	3,967	2,285	25	6	2,783	N/a	66
2 half rate Qualified Children	1,358	5,018	1,942	17	4	1,899	N/a	83
3 half rate Qualified Children	655	3,208	777	2	2	753	N/a	64
4 half rate Qualified Children	297	1,359	205	4	1	162	N/a	21
5 half rate Qualified Children	127	401	50	0	0	31	N/a	4
6+ half rate Qualified Children	56	197	15	0	0	10	N/a	2
Total Recipients with Children	15,335	15,853	9,823	133	48	8,612	N/a	302
% of Recipients with Children	13.7%	26.7%	17.2%	14.7%	14.7%	15.9%	N/a	17.1%
Total Number of Children	30,501	35,489	18,191	239	92	14,803	N/a	650

Allowance by Age, 2010 to 2014

Table E9: Number of Child Beneficiaries of Domiciliary Care

Table E8: Number of Families Receiving Domiciliary Care
Allowance by Number of Children, 2010 to 2014

Number of Eligible Children in Family	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
1	21,774	22,434	23,020	23,794	25,420
2	1,513	1,532	1,548	1,584	1,706
3	131	124	124	127	131
4	9	11	7	5	11
5	1	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Families	23,428	24,101	24,699	25,510	27,268
Total Number of Children in respect of whom Benefit is paid	25,234	25,914	26,516	27,363	29,269

Responsibility for Domiciliary Care Allowance was transferred from the Health Service Executive to the Department of Social Protection in 2009.

Age	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
0	295	292	262	330	273
1	708	721	653	629	681
2	891	870	898	811	881
3	1,166	1,110	1,086	1,195	1,222
4	1,336	1,401	1,407	1,502	1,669
5	1,530	1,530	1,627	1,701	1,935
6	1,721	1,702	1,740	1,835	2,075
7	1,786	1,888	1,847	1,915	2,153
8	1,991	1,901	2,005	1,963	2,161
9	2,091	2,072	2,003	2,124	2,165
10	2,037	2,183	2,175	2,080	2,294
11	2,024	2,120	2,249	2,244	2,245
12	2,012	2,093	2,181	2,285	2,341
13	1,887	2,060	2,140	2,218	2,377
14	1,826	1,952	2,071	2,205	2,313
15	1,813	1,863	2,003	2,140	2,293
16	120	156	169	186	191
Total	25,234	25,914	26,516	27,363	29,269

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Graph E5: Number of Child Beneficiaries of Domiciliary Care Allowance by Age, 2010 to 2014

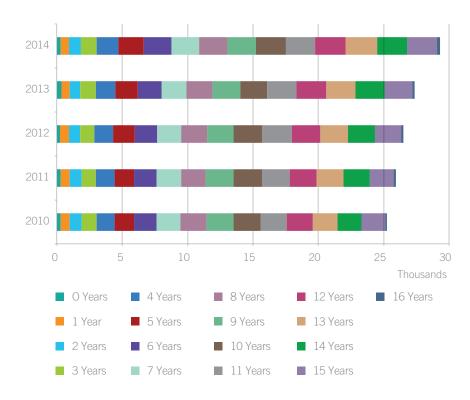
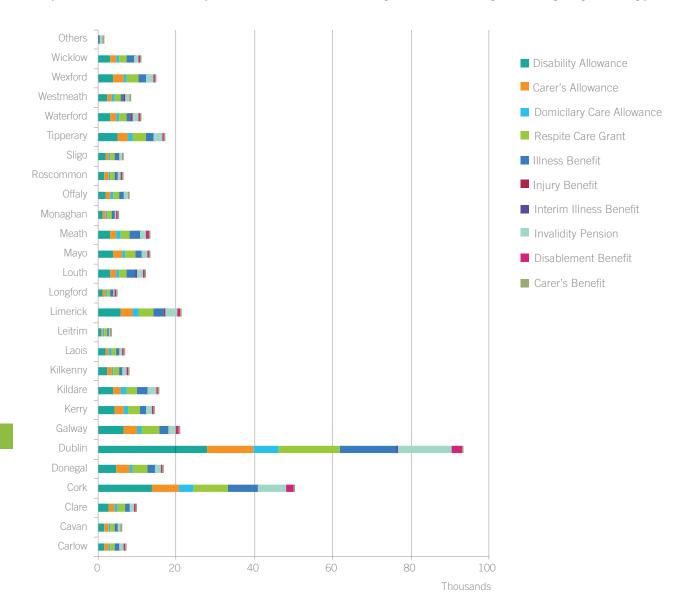


Table E10: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Payment Type and County, 2014

	Disability Allowance	Carer's Allowance	Domiciliary Care Allowance	Respite Care Grant	Illness Benefit	Injury Benefit	Interim Illness Benefit	Invalidity Pension	Disablement Benefit	Carer's Benefit
Carlow	1,747	997	452	1,200	1,138	19	3	946	210	28
Cavan	1,593	947	370	1,136	953	19	3	692	166	39
Clare	2,708	1,492	693	1,926	1,123	20	5	1,143	288	42
Cork	13,752	6,745	3,850	9,022	7,386	108	35	7,216	1,747	235
Donegal	4,796	3,217	892	3,659	1,856	29	11	1,542	335	64
Dublin	27,813	11,760	6,392	15,795	14,416	225	87	13,789	2,718	349
Galway	6,403	3,474	1,402	4,286	2,387	36	23	1,970	548	111
Kerry	4,241	2,414	997	2,971	1,622	42	6	1,524	331	76
Kildare	3,701	2,054	1,364	2,835	2,641	47	19	2,211	444	72
Kilkenny	2,146	1,179	513	1,481	951	20	9	951	252	40
Laois	1,871	987	482	1,245	858	13	4	858	176	38
Leitrim	791	555	170	646	473	5	1	458	99	20
Limerick	5,825	3,088	1,374	3,862	2,834	42	19	3,174	772	64
Longford	1,273	822	209	933	529	15	4	574	142	19
Louth	3,013	1,666	705	2,068	2,260	34	15	1,805	448	38
Mayo	3,674	2,425	678	2,831	1,518	18	5	1,392	313	52
Meath	2,906	1,744	1,118	2,401	2,534	31	17	1,624	503	69
Monaghan	1,304	822	287	975	780	15	4	538	156	28
Offaly	1,899	1,314	570	1,568	1,028	11	3	1,100	220	27
Roscommon	1,584	1,042	347	1,269	754	4	4	784	207	46
Sligo	1,858	1,009	326	1,210	890	13	5	824	174	48
Tipperary	5,040	2,799	991	3,386	1,863	50	10	2,134	568	72
Waterford	3,020	1,534	634	1,906	1,509	18	10	1,552	416	51
Westmeath	2,214	1,260	588	1,570	1,065	19	10	1,219	207	34
Wexford	3,946	2,483	1,002	3,001	1,726	27	7	1,988	384	54
Wicklow	2,970	1,551	856	2,073	1,597	19	7	1,399	298	46
Others	9	0	6	7	333	7	1	816	171	7
Total	112,097	59,380	27,268	75,262	57,024	906	327	54,223	12,293	1,769

Graph E6: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Payment Type and County, 2014



# SECTION F CHILDREN

### **Section F: Children**

#### **Expenditure and Recipients**

This section relates to payments made in respect of children such as Child Benefit, Guardian's Payments, Family Income Supplement and School related payments. For ease of reference, this section also gives details of increases in respect of qualified children which are payable with social welfare payments (See Table F11). It should be noted, however, that for the purpose of apportioning expenditure between programmes, the cost of qualified child increases is included with the main payment e.g. Qualified Child increases paid with State Pensions are included in the 'Pensions' programme.

Expenditure on payments in this programme group increased by 0.6% in 2014. The breakdown of Child Benefit by family size shows that 76.8% of recipient families in 2014 have either one or two children. The equivalent percentage for 2005 was 75.5%. See Table F2 and Graph F2. The number of families receiving Child Benefit increased by 3,969 to 615,335. The total number of children in respect of whom Child Benefit is paid increased by 9,007 to 1,177,589.

Expenditure on Child Benefit decreased by over €2.6 million in 2014, a decrease of 0.1% while Family Income Supplement expenditure increased by over €36.1 million, an increase of 13.8%. Expenditure on Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance decreased by over €5.5 million in 2014, a decrease of 11.5%.

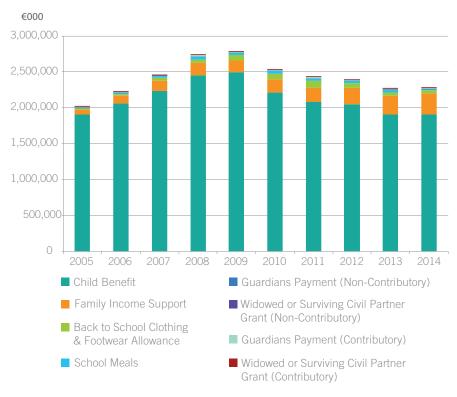
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Table F1: Expenditure on Child Related Payments by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014

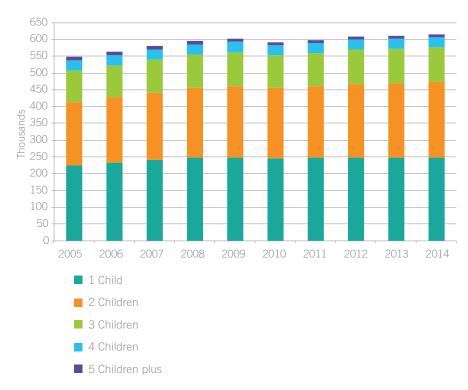
Payment Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(1)	Change
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	2014 over 2013
SOCIAL ASSISTANCE											
Child Benefit	1,899,936	2,056,295	2,232,974	2,453,957	2,495,304	2,213,429	2,076,338	2,046,955	1,899,922	1,902,603	0.1%
Family Income Supplement	72,152	107,137	140,020	170,309	167,133	185,998	204,543	223,608	261,758	297,941	13.8%
Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance	16,713	24,892	40,176	49,632	67,188	77,401	90,903	65,679	47,976	42,452	-11.5%
School Meals	8,434	13,622	28,202	32,422	34,848	34,939	34,975	35,005	36,775	16,572	-54.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non- Contributory)	4,096	4,832	4,366	7,147	6,024	4,697	5,134	4,987	5,124	5,196	1.4%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Non-Contributory)	269	282	454	529	425	475	276	313	252	276	9.5%
SOCIAL INSURANCE											
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	7,516	8,815	9,560	14,373	11,510	11,462	11,416	10,768	10,967	10,989	0.2%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Contributory)	3,304	2,942	3,862	5,543	5,617	6,455	6,228	5,968	6,331	5,658	-10.6%
TOTAL	2,012,420	2,218,817	2,459,614	2,733,912	2,788,049	2,534,856	2,429,813	2,393,283	2,269,105	2,281,687	0.6%

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional

Graph F1: Expenditure on Child Related Payments by Payment Type, 2005 to 2014



Graph F2: Number of Families Receiving Child Benefit by Number of Child Beneficiaries, 2005 to 2014



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Table F2: Number of Families Receiving Child Benefit by Number of Child Beneficiaries, 2005 to 2014

Number of Eligible Children in Family	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
1	224,686	232,974	241,138	247,345	248,541	246,937	247,606	248,908	247,706	247,238
2	188,536	194,250	200,949	207,816	211,167	208,308	212,366	218,638	221,854	225,260
3	93,516	94,960	96,956	99,550	101,454	97,396	98,643	101,797	102,780	104,056
4	30,258	30,329	30,385	31,069	31,508	29,480	29,501	30,177	29,934	29,816
5	7,417	7,266	7,234	7,368	7,341	6,752	6,726	6,701	6,649	6,582
6	2,130	2,094	2,022	2,017	1,988	1,767	1,716	1,751	1,690	1,638
7	630	649	615	617	609	495	486	482	484	466
8	242	230	207	213	221	204	179	169	160	178
9	79	61	68	74	64	58	75	70	74	60
10	34	38	26	29	27	27	29	24	20	25
11	6	5	8	8	8	6	4	13	9	10
12	4	3	4	2	2	1	1	2	4	3
13	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	2	3
Total	547,540	562,860	579,612	596,108	602,932	591,432	597,333	608,733	611,366	615,335
Total number of Children	1,060,740	1,083,980	1,110,715	1,141,938	1,156,917	1,124,003	1,136,065	1,162,070	1,168,582	1,177,589
Average number of Children in family	1.94	1.93	1.92	1.92	1.92	1.90	1.90	1.91	1.91	1.91

Table F3: Number of Child Beneficiaries of Child Benefit by Age, 2005 to 2014

Age	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
0 (1)	51,033	58,551	59,123	64,205	62,525	61,748	62,045	60,444	57,871	56,213
1	61,337	62,207	65,990	71,256	72,638	73,200	72,956	72,574	69,864	68,052
2	61,457	63,085	63,684	66,764	70,498	72,774	72,996	73,338	72,208	70,301
3	61,451	62,906	65,175	64,472	66,394	70,476	72,728	73,301	73,059	72,277
4	59,922	62,211	64,296	65,689	64,117	66,542	70,362	73,467	73,213	73,202
5	57,850	60,795	63,914	64,740	65,249	64,327	65,338	70,791	72,831	72,951
6	58,234	58,862	62,326	64,191	64,390	64,974	61,997	66,515	70,474	72,831
7	58,760	59,007	60,129	62,692	63,808	64,246	64,834	64,047	66,305	70,329
8	57,816	59,517	60,137	60,608	62,690	63,820	63,978	65,428	64,006	66,348
9	55,852	58,470	60,456	60,627	60,431	62,358	63,301	64,430	65,068	63,804
10	54,218	56,036	59,470	61,063	60,598	60,111	62,030	63,918	64,238	64,978
11	53,693	54,984	57,488	60,013	61,114	60,337	59,901	62,486	63,594	64,132
12	54,317	53,960	55,757	58,120	60,224	60,989	60,298	60,564	62,450	63,675
13	56,069	55,109	54,993	56,384	57,936	59,874	60,504	60,678	60,291	62,243
14	57,566	56,804	55,588	55,563	56,410	57,802	59,517	60,984	60,571	60,315
15	58,514	58,136	57,365	55,938	55,476	56,305	57,634	60,018	60,889	60,611
16	50,958	54,920	52,574	53,175	52,844	51,825	53,836	55,651	56,719	58,540
17	50,563	49,703	52,619	53,135	53,010	52,295	51,810	53,436	54,931	56,787
18	41,130	38,717	39,631	43,303	46,565	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1,060,740	1,083,980	1,110,715	1,141,938	1,156,917	1,124,003	1,136,065	1,162,070	1,168,582	1,177,589

<sup>(1)</sup> Underestimates the number eligible because of the time lag in applying for benefit.

Graph F3: Number of Children by Age, 2005 to 2014

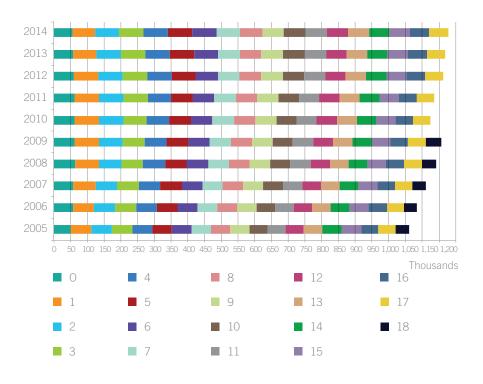


Table F4: Number of Recipients of Family Income Supplement, 2005 to 2014

Year	Number of Families	Percentage Variance	Number of Children	Percentage Variance	Average Number of Children in Family
2005	17,448	-	33,956	-	1.95
2006	21,800	24.9%	43,861	29.2%	2.01
2007	22,823	4.7%	47,529	8.4%	2.08
2008	27,798	21.8%	58,019	22.1%	2.09
2009	25,963	-6.6%	55,716	-4.0%	2.15
2010	28,223	8.7%	62,240	11.7%	2.21
2011	28,876	2.3%	65,281	4.9%	2.26
2012	32,307	11.9%	73,238	12.2%	2.27
2013	44,159	36.7%	98,350	34.3%	2.23
2014	50,306	13.9%	111,583	13.5%	2.22

Table F5: Number of Recipients of Family Income Supplement by Age & Sex, 2014

Age (Years)	Male	Female	Total
20	0	4	4
21	3	18	21
22	13	47	60
23	34	126	160
24	58	194	252
25 to 29	1,004	2,792	3,796
30 to 34	3,397	5,636	9,033
35 to 39	5,073	7,014	12,087
40 to 44	4,867	6,345	11,212
45 to 49	3,508	4,668	8,176
50 to 54	1,657	2,312	3,969
55 to 59	567	696	1,263
60 to 64	140	107	247
65	13	2	15
66 to 69	9	2	11
Total	20,343	29,963	50,306

Table F6: Number of Recipients of Family Income Supplement by Rate of Payment and Family Size, 2014

Weekly Rate Euro	Family Size (Number of Children)											
Euro	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+	Total			
20 - 25	1,485	1,237	560	139	16	2	0	0	3,439			
26 - 50	2,730	1,743	780	241	34	3	3	0	5,534			
51 - 75	3,748	2,260	1,061	313	33	7	0	0	7,422			
76 - 100	3,442	2,892	1,248	365	65	4	1	0	8,017			
101 - 125	1,760	3,075	1,312	419	66	13	0	0	6,645			
126 - 150	1,096	2,128	1,414	460	86	18	4	1	5,207			
Over 150	1,989	3,282	4,176	2,900	1,154	363	120	58	14,042			
Total	16,250	16,617	10,551	4,837	1,454	410	128	59	50,306			
Number of Children	16,250	33,234	31,653	19,348	7,270	2,460	896	472	111,583			

Table F7: Number of Recipients of Family Income Supplement by Age and Family Income Group, 2014

Age of			Fa	amily Income Group	(Euro per week - Ne	t)		
Recipient	100-199	200-299	300-399	400-499	500-599	600-699	700+	Total
20	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	4
21	0	3	15	3	0	0	0	21
22	0	10	35	13	2	0	0	60
23	3	15	86	54	2	0	0	160
24	4	29	129	87	3	0	0	252
25 to 29	64	320	1,580	1,554	259	16	3	3,796
30 to 34	168	623	2,864	3,704	1,327	295	52	9,033
35 to 39	317	897	3,006	4,504	2,305	827	231	12,087
40 to 44	348	949	2,595	3,653	2,252	1,037	378	11,212
45 to 49	316	880	1,876	2,458	1,595	713	337	8,175
50 to 54	191	550	1,003	1,103	693	284	145	3,969
55 to 59	88	245	347	337	153	69	24	1,263
60 to 64	10	55	72	69	34	5	2	247
65	1	6	4	8	5	3	0	27
Total	1,510	4,582	13,615	17,548	8,630	3,249	1,172	50,306

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Family Type	Family Income Group (Euro per week - Net)											
	100-199	200-299	300-399	400-499	500-599	600-699	700+	Total				
One-Parent Family	901	2,601	7,656	9,819	2,565	588	177	24,307				
Two-Parent Family	609	1,981	5,959	7,729	6,065	2,661	995	25,999				
Total	1,510	4,582	13,615	17,548	8,630	3,249	1,172	50,306				

Table F9: Number of Recipients of Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance by Primary Payment, 2011 to 2014

Payment Type	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013
State Pensions	523	328	382	264	-30.9%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	5	0	0	1	100%
Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil Partner's Pensions	1,287	1,182	1,994	1,592	-20.2%
One-Parent Family Payment	77,288	69,788	64,251	57,146	-11.1%
Invalidity Pension	2,737	2,580	2,650	2,575	-2.8%
Illness Benefit	7,031	6,837	5,327	4,446	-16.5%
Disability Allowance	8,957	7,997	8,472	8,447	-0.3%
Jobseeker's Allowance	49,107	53,069	58,432	56,051	-4.1%
Jobseeker's Benefit	13,451	10,888	5,424	2,746	-49.4%
Supplement Welfare Allowance	8,801	7,328	6,576	4,723	-28.2%
Employment Support Services <sup>(1)</sup>	6,302	4,810	5,174	5,383	4.0%
Department of Work and Pensions (UK)	12	16	3	1	-66.7%
Other	20,104	19,947	22,094	23,470	6.2%
Total	195,605	184,770	180,779	166,845	-7.7%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes Back to Work Allowance, Community Employment, Back to Education Allowance, VTOS and FAS

Graph F4: Number of Recipients of Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance by Primary Payment, 2011 to 2014

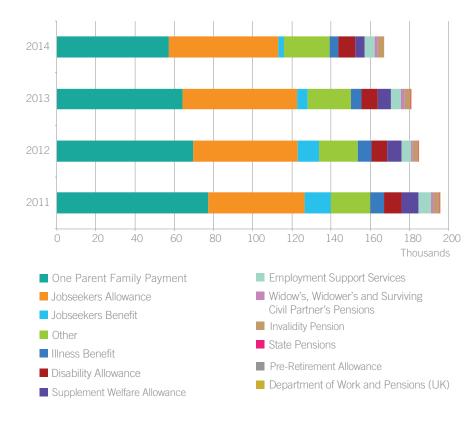


Table F10: Number of Recipients of Guardian's Payment, 2005 to 2014

Payment	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change 2014 over 2013
Guardian's Payment (Non- Contributory)	444	441	442	437	420	429	441	433	435	N/a	N/a
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	781	800	818	833	860	919	955	938	947	N/a	N/a
Total	1,225	1,241	1,260	1,270	1,280	1,348	1,396	1,371	1,382	N/a	N/a

Table F11: Number of Qualified Child Increases by Primary Payment Type, 2014

Payment	1 Qualifi	ed Child	2 Qua Chilo		3 Qua Chilo		4 Qua Chilo		5 Qua Chilo		6+ Qua Chilo		Total Fa with Cl	imilies hildren	Total Cl	nildren
	Full Rate	Half Rate	Full Rate	Half Rate	Full Rate	Half Rate	Full Rate	Half Rate	Full Rate	Half Rate	Full Rate	Half Rate	Full Rate	Half Rate	Full Rate	Half Rate
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	239	57	65	15	22	7	4	0	2	0	2	0	334	79	473	108
State Pension (Contributory)	785	593	165	162	40	34	17	5	0	2	4	1	1,011	797	1,327	1,056
State Pension (Transition)	4	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	10	4
Widow/er's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	3,610	0	2,050	0	749	0	172	0	37	0	11	0	6,629	0	10,899	0
Jobseeker's Allowance	23,007	6,473	20,865	7,225	10,263	3,781	4,150	1,412	1,400	361	741	129	60,426	19,381	124,076	40,539
One-Parent Family Payment (1)(2)	36,787	0	21,608	0	8,006	0	2,508	0	686	0	266	0	69,861	0	119,169	0
Farm Assist	815	234	802	263	628	167	285	87	100	31	41	11	2,671	793	6,207	1,834
Pre-Retirement Allowance	22	10	8	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	33	11	48	12
Jobseeker's Benefit	1,560	1,441	1,242	1,326	565	489	172	131	26	24	0	0	3,565	3,411	6,614	6,248
Health and Safety Benefit	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	9	3
Community Employment Programme	1,772	1,267	1,410	1,412	791	681	297	151	85	32	33	8	4,388	3,551	8,787	6,948
Rural Social Scheme	190	44	184	84	143	25	70	21	15	5	8	0	610	179	1,380	386
Tús	508	187	565	312	590	99	109	80	29	6	9	36	1,810	720	3,141	1,641
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	1,103	346	1,372	437	679	223	204	71	69	16	20	3	3,447	1,096	7,618	2,347
JobBridge	314	122	289	129	122	42	47	9	7	7	3	0	782	309	1,500	582
Back to Education Allowance	1,574	394	1,080	423	577	255	224	88	61	18	20	7	3,536	1,185	6,795	2,491
Partial Capacity Benefit	49	85	46	52	19	21	9	4	0	0	1	1	124	163	240	277
Disability Allowance	5,116	1,784	3,145	1,358	1,588	655	718	297	294	127	197	56	11,058	4,277	21,829	8,672
Carer's Allowance	890	3,967	469	5,018	196	3,208	87	1,359	35	401	26	197	1,703	14,150	3,112	32,377
Illness Benefit	2,047	2,285	1,463	1,942	726	777	227	205	67	50	19	15	4,549	5,274	8,523	9,668
Interim Illness Benefit	11	6	16	4	7	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	35	13	68	24
Injury Benefit	34	25	35	17	10	2	6	4	0	0	0	0	85	48	158	81
Invalidity Pension	1,602	2,783	857	1,899	346	753	121	162	36	31	12	10	2,974	5,638	5,092	9,711
Carer's Benefit	29	66	18	83	15	64	0	21	0	4	0	2	62	240	110	540
TOTAL	82,069	22,174	57,758	22,163	26,084	11,285	9,429	4,108	2,949	1,115	1,413	476	179,702	61,321	337,185	125,549

<sup>(1)</sup> There were 30 recipients of One-Parent Family Payment who were not in receipt of a qualified child increase at December 2014. This is usually because their qualified child is now claiming a One-Parent Family Payment in their own right.

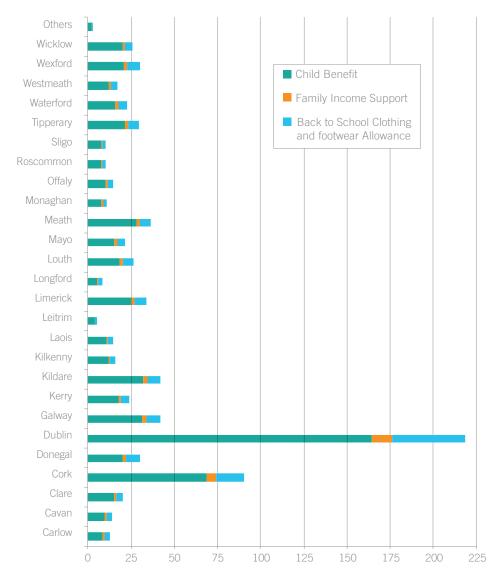
(2) A breakdown between full and half-rate children by family size is not available for One-Parent Family Payment

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes Direct Provision Allowance.

Table F12: Number of Recipients of Child Related Payments by County, 2014

County	Child	Benefit	Family Income	Back to School Clothing
	Recipients	Children	Supplement	and Footwear Allowance
Carlow	8,747	16,639	859	2,951
Cavan	10,034	20,308	1,153	3,078
Clare	15,189	29,955	1,181	3,729
Cork	68,969	132,541	5,354	16,102
Donegal	20,054	40,257	2,307	8,043
Dublin	164,219	300,549	11,917	42,342
Galway	31,585	62,416	2,357	8,011
Kerry	17,899	34,303	1,433	4,968
Kildare	32,133	62,113	2,205	7,550
Kilkenny	12,084	23,578	798	3,019
Laois	10,746	21,524	870	3,246
Leitrim	4,068	8,236	339	1,180
Limerick	25,046	47,569	2,095	7,095
Longford	5,517	11,081	666	2,039
Louth	18,552	35,381	1,872	6,003
Mayo	15,562	31,338	1,486	4,774
Meath	28,349	55,537	2,044	6,155
Monaghan	7,871	15,845	956	2,423
Offaly	10,413	20,395	935	3,360
Roscommon	7,591	15,296	665	2,179
Sligo	7,875	15,555	674	2,094
Tipperary	21,328	41,044	1,969	6,238
Waterford	16,084	30,382	1,641	4,950
Westmeath	12,285	23,793	1,094	3,572
Wexford	20,947	39,893	2,029	6,993
Wicklow	20,168	38,132	1,282	4,747
Others	2,020	3,929	125	4
Total	615,335	1,177,589	50,306	166,845

Graph F5: Number of Recipients of Child Related Payments by County, 2014



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# SECTION G SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS

## Section G: Supplementary Payments

This section relates to Supplementary Housing payments made under the Supplementary Welfare Allowance scheme as well as Secondary Benefits and Grants and includes:

- Rent supplements and Mortgage Interest supplements
- Household Benefits, Free Travel and Fuel Allowance
- Grants to Departmental Agencies

#### **Expenditure and Recipients**

Expenditure on Rent and Mortgage Supplements amounted to €359 million in 2014. This represents a decrease of 11.9% on 2013. Expenditure on Rent Supplements fell by over €34.5 million in 2014, a decrease of 9.3%. The number of recipients of Rent Supplement at the end of 2014 was 66,409 a decrease of 16.8% on 2013.

Expenditure on Mortgage Interest Supplements decreased by 40.4% to just under €21 million. The number of recipients at the end of 2014 decreased to 5,007 a decrease of 48.7%.

In 2014 expenditure on Household Benefits was just over €231 million a reduction of 20.2% over expenditure in 2013.

Free Travel expenditure in 2014 was just under €75.5 million a small increase of €10,000 compared to 2013.

Fuel Allowance expenditure decreased in 2014 to €217.7million, a decrease of 4.6% or €10.4 million.

Payment Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(1)	Change
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	2014 over 2013
Rent Supplement	368,705	388,339	391,466	440,548	510,751	516,538	502,747	422,536	372,909	338,347	-9.3%
Mortgage Interest Supplements	6,339	7,873	12,197	27,675	60,885	65,615	67,849	55,082	35,063	20,897	-40.4%
Household Benefits	245,709	256,137	313,111	340,252	359,107	367,800	369,575	368,685	290,470	231,756	-20.2%
Free Travel	55,333	58,042	64,125	68,428	73,489	74,094	75,597	75,518	75,477	75,487	0.0%
Fuel Allowance	82,386	130,250	158,289	170,008	199,609	228,766	265,838	211,394	228,141	217,735	-4.6%
Grant to the Citizen's Information Board	20,917	24,362	27,860	29,468	28,005	44,986	45,114	45,743	46,387	45,000	-3.0%
Office of the Pensions Ombudsman	0	0	0	35,981	0	0	906	977	974	935	-4.0%
Grant to Family Support Agency	22,869	26,506	35,339	0	34,660	9,909	0	0	0	0	N/a
Combat Poverty Agency	4,236	3,689	4,008	4,114	1,564	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Money Advice and Budgeting Service	13,593	13,575	14,578	16,217	17,041	0	0	0	0	0	N/a
Miscellaneous Services funded by Vote 37	6,985	7,227	7,368	7,601	3,420	3,240	2,110	2,174	2,600	3,299	26.9%
Total	827,072	916,000	1,028,341	1,140,292	1,288,531	1,310,948	1,329,736	1,182,109	1,052,021	933,456	-11.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Provisional.

Graph G1: Expenditure on Supplementary Payments by Scheme, 2005 to 2014



Table G2: Expenditure on Household Benefits 2005 to 2014

Year	Electricity Allowance	Television Licence Allowance	Telephone Allowance	Gas Allowance	Total
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
2005	103,919	46,224	89,143	6,424	245,710
2006	108,323	48,966	90,333	8,515	256,137
2007	147,225	51,672	98,855	15,359	313,111
2008	156,738	55,698	112,190	15,626	340,252
2009	165,515	55,712	120,180	17,700	359,107
2010	171,589	57,650	118,579	19,982	367,800
2011	179,251	57,647	111,961	20,716	369,575
2012	176,733	57,566	113,772	20,614	368,685
2013	164,997	57,673	52,227	15,573	290,470
2014(1)	154,553	52,449	2,939	21,815	231,756

(1) Provisional.

Table G3: Recipients of Rent Supplement, Mortgage Interest Supplement and Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement, 2005 to 2014

Year	Rent Supplement	Mortgage Interest Supplement*	Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement*
	Recipients	Recipients	Recipients
2005	60,176	2,741	479
2006	59,861	3,023	401
2007	59,726	3,712	399
2008	74,038	7,647	444
2009	93,030	14,716	385
2010	97,260	17,648	326
2011	96,803	18,703	285
2012	87,684	14,437	160
2013	79,788	9,768	-
2014	66,409	5,007	-

<sup>\*</sup> From 2013 Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement reported with Mortgage Interest Supplement

Table G4: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement and Mortgage Interest Supplement by Age and Sex, 2014

Age Group	Rent Sup	plement	Mortgage Inte	erest Supplement*		
	Male	Female	Male	Female		
18 Years	15	26	0	0		
19 Years	55	116	0	0		
20 Years	92	246	0	0		
21 Years	177	490	0	0		
22 Years	264	715	0	0		
23 Years	329	954	0	0		
24 Years	445	1,171	0	0		
25 to 29 years	3,369	6,745	18	15		
30 to 34 years	4,985	6,033	260	141		
35 to 39 years	5,519	4,945	606	304		
40 to 44 years	5,267	3,702	851	398		
45 to 49 years	4,155	2,533	720	338		
50 to 54 years	3,421	1,923	492	197		
55 to 59 years	2,406	1,157	274	122		
60 to 64 years	1,734	764	151	57		
65 years	237	85	8	12		
66 to 69 years	648	322	25	7		
70 to 74 years	404	252	6	3		
75 to 79 years	205	175	1	1		
80 to 84 years	103	115	0	0		
85 to 89 years	23	58	0	0		
90 to 94 years	6	18	0	0		
95 years and over	0	5	0	0		
Total	33,859	32,550	3,412	1,595		

<sup>\*</sup> Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement now reported with Mortgage Interest Supplement

### **Supplementary Payments**

Table G5: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement by Duration<sup>(1)</sup> and by Primary Payment, 2014

Payment Type <sup>(3)</sup>		Duration in Months <sup>(2)</sup>															
	0 to 3	3 to 6	6 to 9	9 to 12	12 to 18	18 to 24	24 to 30	30 to 36	36 to 48	48 to 60	60 to 72	72 plus	Short <18 I		Long ' >18 I		Total
													Total	%	Total	%	
State Pensions	46	58	57	60	141	110	105	91	193	149	111	400	362	0.5%	1,159	1.7%	1,521
Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil	10	19	20	22	50	24	/2	27	65	45	34	72	420	0.00	247	0.50/	//0
Partner's Pensions	19	19	20	22	52	31	43	27	65	45	54	12	132	0.2%	317	0.5%	449
Jobseeker's Allowance	1,597	2,480	2,214	2,095	3,780	2,877	2,492	1,999	3,138	2,136	1,555	1,335	12,166	18.3%	15,532	23.4%	27,698
One-Parent Family Payment	531	888	774	690	1,415	1,108	1,090	814	1,305	847	602	715	4,298	6.5%	6,481	9.8%	10,779
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	240	258	256	193	385	349	290	245	373	254	199	195	1,332	2.0%	1,905	2.9%	3,237
Pre-Retirement																	
Allowance	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	24	4	0.0%	25	0.0%	29
Jobseeker's Benefit	119	150	100	97	131	109	80	85	155	141	133	79	597	0.9%	782	1.2%	1,379
Employment Support																	
Services (4)	163	255	253	240	464	383	350	263	422	329	211	185	1,375	2.1%	2,143	3.2%	3,518
Disability Allowance	384	621	556	545	950	750	754	635	1,082	780	660	1,061	3,056	4.6%	5,722	8.6%	8,778
Illness Benefit	137	173	158	149	221	148	102	107	169	115	94	88	838	1.3%	823	1.2%	1,661
Invalidity Pension	52	50	55	49	101	90	74	72	125	83	76	156	307	0.5%	676	1.0%	983
Department of Work																	
and Pensions (UK)	5	13	12	4	11	8	14	3	14	17	7	33	45	0.1%	96	0.1%	141
Other	360	594	513	453	876	676	540	436	688	456	283	361	2,796	4.2%	3,440	5.2%	6,236
TOTAL	3,653	5,559	4,971	4,598	8,527	6,639	5,934	4,777	7,729	5,353	3,965	4,704	27,308	41.1%	39,101	58.9%	66,409

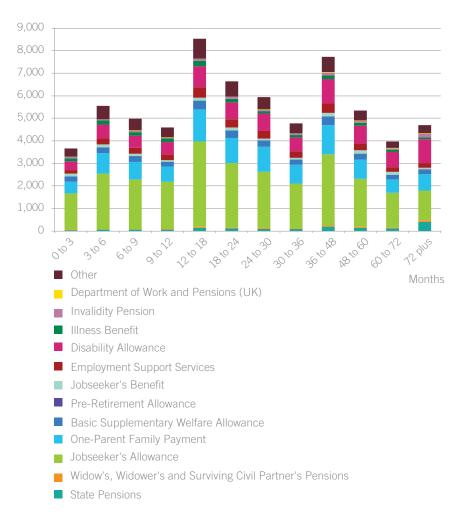
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<sup>(4)</sup> Includes Back to Work Allowance, Community Employment, Back to Education Allowance, VTOS and FAS.

Graph G2: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement by Duration and by Primary Payment, 2014



Graph G3: Number of Recipients of Mortgage Interest Supplement by Duration and by Primary Payment, 2014

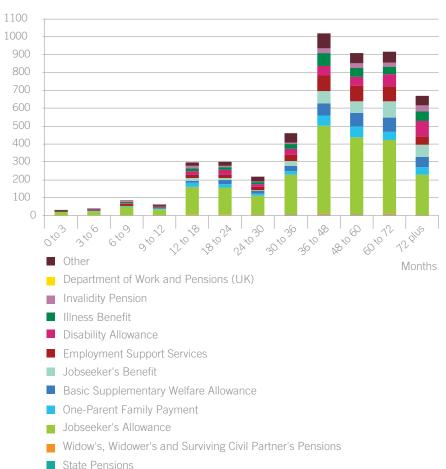


Table G6: Number of Recipients of Mortgage Interest Supplement\* by Duration(1) and by Primary Payment, 2014

Payment Type(3)								Dura	tion in Mon	ths <sup>(2)</sup>							
	0 to 3	3 to 6	6 to 9	9 to 12	12 to 18	18 to 24	24 to 30	30 to 36	36 to 48	48 to 60	60 to 72	72 plus	Short <18		Long ' >18		Total
													Total	%	Total	%	
State Pensions	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	3	3	3	4	2	1	0.0%	17	0.3%	18
Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil Partner's Pensions	1	0	0	1	4	6	1	5	11	4	8	3	6	0.1%	38	0.8%	44
Jobseeker's Allowance	19	24	50	35	157	150	107	219	487	430	411	222	285	5.7%	2,026	40.5%	2,311
One-Parent Family Payment	0	4	4	2	22	21	14	21	59	63	45	42	32	0.6%	265	5.3%	297
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	1	1	1	4	11	20	13	29	68	74	80	57	18	0.4%	341	6.8%	359
Jobseeker's Benefit	1	0	1	1	15	11	6	27	67	65	91	70	18	0.4%	337	6.7%	355
Employment Support Services (4)	4	2	10	3	20	22	19	36	90	88	84	47	39	0.8%	386	7.7%	425
Disability Allowance	2	3	3	4	18	25	12	32	53	50	66	84	30	0.6%	322	6.4%	352
Illness Benefit	3	1	7	3	15	14	13	28	72	47	42	56	29	0.6%	272	5.4%	301
Invalidity Pension	1	2	5	2	15	9	5	9	25	26	23	34	25	0.5%	131	2.6%	156
Department of Work	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1
and Pensions (UK)	- 0	0	- 0	0	1	0	0	U	0	U	0	0	1	0.076	U	0.070	1
Other	2	3	4	4	20	24	25	51	82	58	62	53	33	0.7%	355	7.1%	388
TOTAL	34	40	85	60	298	302	217	460	1,017	908	916	670	517	10.3%	4,490	89.7%	5,007

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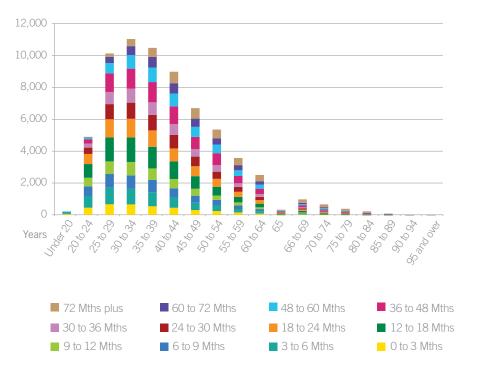
Payment Type								Dura	tion in Mor	iths <sup>(2)</sup>							
	0 to 3	3 to 6	6 to 9	9 to 12	12 to 18	18 to 24	24 to 30	30 to 36	36 to 48	48 to 60	60 to 72	72 plus	Short <18 I	-	Long ' >18 I		Total
													Total	%	Total	%	
Under 20	48	61	44	23	27	7	1	0	0	1	0	0	203	0.3%	9	0.0%	212
20 to 24 years	450	733	605	536	860	633	396	253	275	108	33	1	3,184	4.8%	1,699	2.6%	4,883
25 to 29 years	665	1,032	862	791	1,501	1,147	941	763	1,171	641	391	209	4,851	7.3%	5,263	7.9%	10,114
30 to 34 years	657	974	844	839	1,538	1,167	1,011	876	1,256	847	563	446	4,852	7.3%	6,166	9.3%	11,018
35 to 39 years	538	875	785	711	1,357	1,027	975	784	1,269	906	668	569	4,266	6.4%	6,198	9.3%	10,464
40 to 44 years	447	634	584	584	1,095	819	856	669	1,113	800	650	718	3,344	5.0%	5,625	8.5%	8,969
45 to 49 years	301	461	440	433	790	621	605	463	771	628	519	656	2,425	3.7%	4,263	6.4%	6,688
50 to 54 years	241	341	353	273	553	497	447	411	748	539	398	543	1,761	2.7%	3,583	5.4%	5,344
55 to 59 years	153	212	227	188	347	319	306	229	453	357	326	446	1,127	1.7%	2,436	3.7%	3,563
60 to 64 years	83	145	133	111	228	224	206	171	340	258	209	390	700	1.1%	1,798	2.7%	2,498
65 years	10	11	11	20	32	23	33	15	36	33	28	70	84	0.1%	238	0.4%	322
66 to 69 years	23	38	47	44	97	82	79	64	130	77	72	217	249	0.4%	721	1.1%	970
70 to 74 years	18	23	18	19	58	33	39	47	86	84	56	175	136	0.2%	520	0.8%	656
75 to 79 years	12	11	11	16	29	23	25	19	43	44	23	124	79	0.1%	301	0.5%	380
80 to 84 years	5	6	4	8	10	8	12	9	27	20	18	91	33	0.0%	185	0.3%	218
85 to 89 years	2	2	2	1	5	6	1	4	8	5	11	34	12	0.0%	69	0.1%	81
90 to 94 years	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	2	3	0	14	1	0.0%	23	0.0%	24
95 years and																	
over	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Total	3,653	5,559	4,971	4,598	8,527	6,639	5,934	4,777	7,729	5,353	3,965	4,704	27,308	41.1%	39,101	58.9%	66,40

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Graph G4: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement by Age and Duration, 2014



Graph G5: Number of Recipients of Mortgage Interest Supplement by Age and Duration, 2014

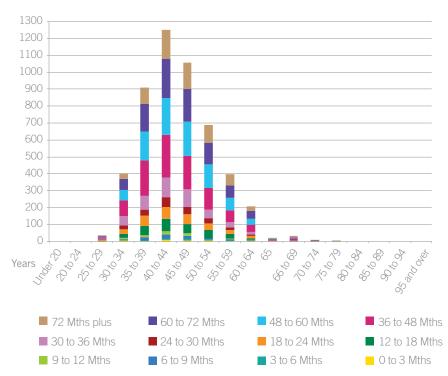


Table G8: Number of Recipients of Mortgage Interest Supplement<sup>(3)</sup> by Age and Duration<sup>(1)</sup>, 2014

Payment Type								Dura	tion in Mon	ths <sup>(2)</sup>							
	0 to 3   3 to 6		6 to 9	9 to 12	12 to 18	18 to 24	24 to 30	30 to 36	36 to 48	48 to 60	60 to 72	72 plus	Short <18 l		Long > 18		Total
													Total	%	Total	%	
25 to 29 years	0	1	0	0	2	8	3	3	7	7	1	1	3	0.1%	30	0.6%	33
30 to 34 years	5	3	7	8	24	25	25	51	96	61	65	31	47	0.9%	354	7.1%	401
35 to 39 years	2	5	19	13	52	64	33	82	208	171	163	98	91	1.8%	819	16.4%	910
40 to 44 years	9	10	24	16	74	72	58	114	253	216	233	170	133	2.7%	1,116	22.3%	1,249
45 to 49 years	7	11	17	13	57	58	41	104	199	199	195	157	105	2.1%	953	19.0%	1,058
50 to 54 years	7	5	6	1	50	38	30	53	128	137	128	106	69	1.4%	620	12.4%	689
55 to 59 years	1	5	8	5	26	22	16	32	68	76	73	64	45	0.9%	351	7.0%	396
60 to 64 years	2	0	4	3	8	15	10	16	43	35	43	29	17	0.3%	191	3.8%	208
65 years	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	4	1	6	4	3	0.1%	17	0.3%	20
66 to 69 years	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	3	10	3	7	5	3	0.1%	29	0.6%	32
70 to 74 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	4	0	0.0%	9	0.2%	9
75 to 79 years	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	2
Total	34	40	85	60	298	302	217	460	1,017	908	916	670	517	10.3%	4,490	89.7%	5,007

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Table G9: Short-Term and Long-Term Recipients of Rent Supplement by County, 2014

County	Short-Term Cases (Recipients)	Short-Term as % All Cases (County Total)	Long-Term Cases (Recipients)	Long-Term as % All Cases (County Total)	All Cases (Recipients)	County Total as % of National Total
Carlow	374	37.7%	618	62.3%	992	1.5%
Cavan	251	62.1%	153	37.9%	404	0.6%
Clare	494	38.2%	799	61.8%	1,293	1.9%
Cork	2,691	35.1%	4,965	64.9%	7,656	11.5%
Donegal	613	35.8%	1,097	64.2%	1,710	2.6%
Dublin	6,342	25.7%	18,288	74.3%	24,630	37.1%
Galway	1,056	31.9%	2,256	68.1%	3,312	5.0%
Kerry	651	41.1%	933	58.9%	1,584	2.4%
Kildare	907	26.3%	2,536	73.7%	3,443	5.2%
Kilkenny	344	35.9%	614	64.1%	958	1.4%
Laois	422	44.0%	538	56.0%	960	1.4%
Leitrim	145	45.9%	171	54.1%	316	0.5%
Limerick	880	38.8%	1,388	61.2%	2,268	3.4%
Longford	194	45.3%	234	54.7%	428	0.6%
Louth	685	34.6%	1,293	65.4%	1,978	3.0%
Mayo	491	34.2%	944	65.8%	1,435	2.2%
Meath	602	37.6%	999	62.4%	1,601	2.4%
Monaghan	139	42.5%	188	57.5%	327	0.5%
Offaly	361	36.6%	625	63.4%	986	1.5%
Roscommon	274	42.0%	379	58.0%	653	1.0%
Sligo	190	45.3%	229	54.7%	419	0.6%
Tipperary	861	46.6%	985	53.4%	1,846	2.8%
Waterford	628	45.7%	745	54.3%	1,373	2.1%
Westmeath	561	38.5%	898	61.5%	1,459	2.2%
Wexford	831	34.1%	1,604	65.9%	2,435	3.7%
Wicklow	558	28.7%	1,385	71.3%	1,943	2.9%
Total	21,545	32.4%	44,864	67.6%	66,409	100.0%

At December 2014 there were 66,409 households in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment. Of these, 44,864 had been in receipt of a payment for 18 months or longer and were the Target group for the Rental Accommodation Scheme. The above table is derived from an analysis of those persons in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment in June 2013 and in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment at every three monthly interval thereafter.

2014 Supplementary Welfare Allowance Recipients figures exclude suspended cases.

Table G10: Number of Recipients of Household Benefits, Free Travel and Fuel Allowance by Primary Payment, 2014

Type of Payment	Free Electricity Allowance	Free Television Licence <sup>(1)</sup>	Free Telephone Rental	Gas Allowance	Free Travel <sup>(2)</sup>	Fuel Allowance
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	52,937	56,237	8	942	1,761	53,831
State Pension (Contributory)	164,941	191,343	28	8,946	16,039	69,080
State Pension (Transition)	62	71	0	13	284	34
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	57,590	67,206	7	8,683	82,687	43,938
Jobseeker's Allowance, Pre-Retirement Allowance and Farm Assist	62	71	0	6	7	103,538
One Parent Family Payment	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	53,379
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	1,316
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	797
Deserted Wife's Allowance	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	205
Deserted Wife's Benefit	1,316	1,649	0	101	236	4,463
Back to Work Allowance	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	2,689
Disability Allowance	36,041	39,588	0	3,330	112,079	56,089
Blind Pension	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	530
Carer's Allowance	28,155	31,919	0	3,694	59,367	0
Invalidity Pension	17,230	19,403	0	2,135	53,396	16,516
Injury Benefit	281	337	0	46	409	339
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	9
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	12
Others	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	1,248
Total	358,615	407,824	43	27,896	326,265	408,013

<sup>(1)</sup> Refers to the number of Licences issued.(2) Refers to the number of persons in respect of whom travel passes have been issued.

Table G11: Number of Recipients of Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Method of Payment, 2014

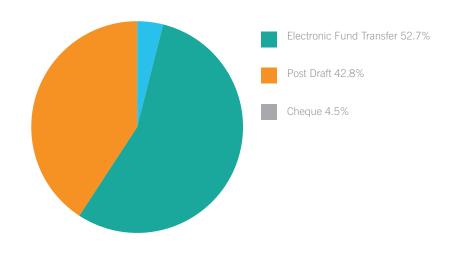
Type of Payment	Cheque	Electronic Fund Transfer	Post Draft/ EIT	Total
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	3	32,459	63,108	95,570
State Pension (Contributory)	276	221,578	124,566	346,420
State Pension (Transition)	19	1,465	64	1,548
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	346	59,063	59,261	118,670
Death Benefit	5	211	420	636
Total Pensions	649	314,776	247,419	562,844
Jobseeker's Allowance	50,325	9,554	210,072	269,951
One-Parent Family Payment	36	24,703	45,145	69,884
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Deserted Wife's Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	2,710	1,055	14,422	18,187
Farm Assist	40	4,947	4,822	9,809
Pre-Retirement Allowance	12	638	1,237	1,887
Jobseeker's Benefit	17,684	2,671	25,980	46,335
Deserted Wife's Benefit	0	2,080	4,909	6,989
Maternity Benefit	719	21,989	0	22,708
Adoptive Benefit	0	13	0	13
Health and Safety Benefit	0	53	0	53
Total Working Age Income Supports	71,526	67,703	306,587	445,816
Community Employment Programme	0	23,249	0	23,249
Rural Social Scheme	0	2,576	0	2,576
Tús	0	7,877	0	7,877
Job Initiative	0	1,031	0	1,031
Back to Work Allowance Employee	0	2	0	2
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	10	10,683	473	11,166
JobBridge	30	5,318	699	6,047
Back to Education Allowance	58	19,105	3,551	22,714
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	3	265	105	373
Other Employment Supports	0	7,313	0	7,313
Partial Capacity Benefit	2	1,430	0	1,432
Total Working Age Employment Supports	103	78,849	4,828	83,780

Table G11: Number of Recipients of Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Method of Payment 2014 (Continued)

Type of Payment	Cheque	Electronic Fund Transfer	Post Draft/ EIT	Total
Disability Allowance	7	52,942	59,148	112,097
Blind Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Carer's Allowance	10	28,967	30,403	59,380
Illness Benefit	5,738	51,154	132	57,024
Interim Illness Benefit	54	273	0	327
Injury Benefit	111	795	0	906
Invalidity Pension	93	35,122	19,008	54,223
Disablement Benefit	3,256	9,037	0	12,293
Carer's Benefit	0	1,587	182	1,769
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	9,269	179,877	108,873	298,019
Child Benefit	0	443,925	171,410	615,335
Family Income Supplement	5	49,860	441	50,306
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total Children	5	493,785	171,851	665,641
Rent Allowance	0	110	1	111
Total	81,552	1,135,100	839,559	2,056,211

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Graph G6: Recipients of Social Welfare Payments by Method of Payment, 2014



Graph G7: Personal Public Service Numbers Issued, 2005 to 2014

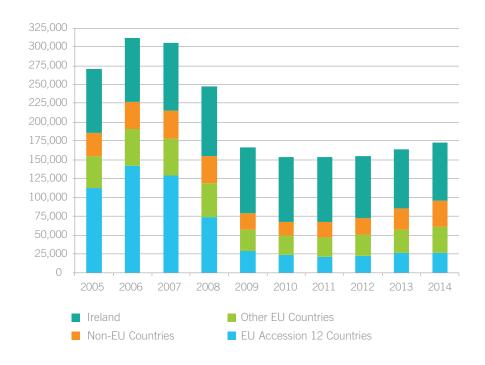


Table G12: Personal Public Service Numbers Issued by Country, 2005 to 2014

Country of origin/ declared Nationality	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change over 10 year period
EU Countries											
Austria	655	769	814	670	338	290	313	300	334	286	-56.3%
Belgium	415	506	523	466	288	278	336	281	326	370	-10.8%
Bulgaria <sup>(1)</sup>	98	267	1,008	772	277	295	281	469	879	883	801.0%
Cyprus <sup>(2)</sup>	23	33	43	19	26	21	21	20	53	124	439.1%
Czech Republic <sup>(2)</sup>	4,505	4,458	3,838	2,762	901	712	621	594	693	654	-85.5%
Denmark	314	286	338	349	209	324	306	319	266	222	-29.3%
Estonia <sup>(2)</sup>	2,011	1,407	648	572	428	207	155	259	231	237	-88.2%
Finland	469	508	473	372	153	188	181	203	223	189	-59.7%
France	4,973	6,880	7,673	7,066	3,109	2,877	2,668	2,915	3,175	3,739	-24.8%
Germany	3,839	4,605	4,534	3,823	2,090	2,090	2,160	2,142	2,162	2,406	-37.3%
Greece	169	207	167	168	100	124	168	269	275	332	96.4%
Hungary <sup>(2)</sup>	3,086	4,330	5,046	4,562	1,794	1,584	1,556	1,985	1,881	1,727	-44.0%
Ireland <sup>(3)</sup>	85,616	84,740	90,238	92,999	86,748	85,939	85,210	81,772	78,630	76,091	-11.1%
Italy	3,692	4,222	4,715	4,428	2,237	2,039	2,095	2,680	3,552	4,263	15.5%
Latvia <sup>(2)</sup>	9,328	7,954	4,674	3,727	3,916	3,134	2,195	1,759	1,568	1,312	-85.9%
Lithuania <sup>(2)</sup>	18,717	16,039	10,728	6,443	3,768	4,353	3,555	2,860	2,521	2,316	-87.6%
Luxembourg	21	18	10	19	15	11	7	3	21	24	14.3%
Malta <sup>(2)</sup>	124	143	161	132	69	57	51	46	32	50	-59.7%
Netherlands	970	1,104	1,051	904	647	649	710	654	823	882	-9.1%
Poland <sup>(2)</sup>	64,731	93,787	79,816	42,553	13,794	8,742	8,087	8,663	9,243	9,126	-85.9%
Portugal	791	935	1,517	2,125	1,125	786	706	1,128	1,577	1,946	146.0%
Romania <sup>(2)</sup>	813	3,336	14,525	6,762	2,624	3,002	3,841	5,283	7,709	9,076	1016.4%
Slovakia <sup>(2)</sup>	9,258	10,687	8,375	4,994	1,784	1,288	1,012	1,138	1,092	1,081	-88.3%
Slovenia <sup>(2)</sup>	76	101	63	87	40	37	42	47	56	72	-5.3%
Spain	4,670	4,433	4,691	4,618	2,595	2,388	2,604	3,929	5,000	5,195	11.2%
Sweden	1,102	1,103	932	757	481	629	582	499	480	473	-57.1%
United Kingdom	20,655	22,283	22,040	19,707	13,996	13,437	13,135	12,727	13,135	13,729	-33.5%
Total EU	241,121	275,141	268,641	211,856	143,552	135,481	132,598	132,944	135,937	136,805	-43.3%

Table G12: Personal Public Service Numbers Issued by Country, 2005 to 2014 (Continued)

Country of origin/	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change
declared Nationality											over 10
New Ell Countries											year period
Non-EU Countries	0.005	2.750	/ 005	F 620	0.7/4	. 057	, , , , , ,	5.570	6.070	7 770	0.40.604
Brazil	2,225	3,460	4,805	5,632	2,741	4,257	4,939	5,542	6,270	7,778	249.6%
United States of America	3,811	4,079	3,841	3,504	2,544	2,518	2,705	2,697	3,048	3,403	-10.7%
India	3,407	5,580	4,778	4,332	2,249	1,430	1,475	1,854	2,620	2,815	-17.4%
Venezuela	51	53	71	66	52	169	346	409	2,227	1,639	3113.7%
China	1,756	1,418	1,519	1,685	1,266	977	877	1,138	1,099	1,416	-19.4%
Republic of Korea	461	491	948	1,147	431	558	505	678	1,043	1,271	175.7%
Pakistan	1,024	1,425	1,439	911	868	478	807	741	891	1,618	
Canada	970	1,161	1,071	1,213	841	698	606	613	739	841	-13.3%
Australia	2,128	2,105	1,966	1,857	1,013	688	554	587	644	883	-58.5%
Nigeria	2,168	1,623	1,610	1,545	888	513	482	421	545	647	-70.2%
Mexico	119	158	169	189	160	290	316	384	545	774	
Croatia	189	176	170	123	60	51	60	86	486	2,091	1006.3%
Saudi Arabia	27	38	36	33	159	247	288	344	480	481	1681.5%
Malaysia	523	636	744	656	436	410	291	362	435	540	3.3%
Philippines	1,499	1,884	1,624	1,440	695	394	434	414	429	413	-72.4%
Japan	220	277	426	445	248	232	275	281	359	387	75.9%
South Africa	1,060	1,126	1,046	1,105	678	413	346	344	354	448	
Russia	473	464	398	358	258	233	267	258	329	357	-24.5%
Libya	50	51	27	26	30	21	40	58	276	254	
Ukraine	378	405	394	467	302	150	167	182	257	293	
New Zealand	923	1,010	886	819	413	238	194	200	212	275	
Switzerland	203	291	262	277	156	143	180	171	202	185	
Argentina	168	212	201	137	158	143	155	185	200	258	
Bangladesh	209	456	405	240	167	109	88	134	196	311	48.8%
Nepal	48	66	84	94	97	107	93	103	187	202	
Egypt	170	206	263	337	201	93	99	147	184	239	
Norway	231	196	218	240	196	187	195	122	168	191	-17.3%
Turkey	375	165	228	197	140	117	131	122	156	233	
Thailand	190	210	271	275	224	175	161	168	141	112	
Moldova	194	294	409	300	252	124	93	90	124	116	
Mauritius	473	1,938	1,989	1,431	887	156	46	45	40	65	
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	4,358	5,055	4,671	4,494	3,533	2,368	3,237	2,833	3,359	5,122	17.5%
Total Non-EU	30,081	36,709	36,969	35,575	22,343	18,687	20,452	21,713	28,245	35,658	18.5%
Total	271,202	311,850	305,610	247,431	165,895	154,168	153,050	154,657	164,182	172,463	-36.4%

<sup>(1)</sup> Joined the EU on 1 January 2007. (2) Joined the EU on 1 May 2004

<sup>(3)</sup> Also contains those classified as unknown.

<sup>(4)</sup> A more detailed breakdown of the number of PPSns issued in each year is available at http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/Personal-Public-Service-Number-Statistics-on-Numbers-Issued.aspx

Table G13: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement and Mortgage Interest Supplement Payments by County, 2014

County	Rent Supplement	Mortgage Interest Supplement*
Carlow	992	108
Cavan	404	95
Clare	1,293	72
Cork	7,656	411
Donegal	1,710	114
Dublin	24,630	1,319
Galway	3,312	146
Kerry	1,584	61
Kildare	3,443	402
Kilkenny	958	145
Laois	960	82
Leitrim	316	27
Limerick	2,268	187
Longford	428	25
Louth	1,978	132
Mayo	1,435	147
Meath	1,601	391
Monaghan	327	83
Offaly	986	81
Roscommon	653	80
Sligo	419	14
Tipperary	1,846	151
Waterford	1,373	132
Westmeath	1,459	59
Wexford	2,435	348
Wicklow	1,943	195
Total	66,409	5,007

<sup>\*</sup> Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement now reported with Mortgage Interest Supplement

Graph G8: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement and Mortgage Interest Supplement Payments by County, 2014

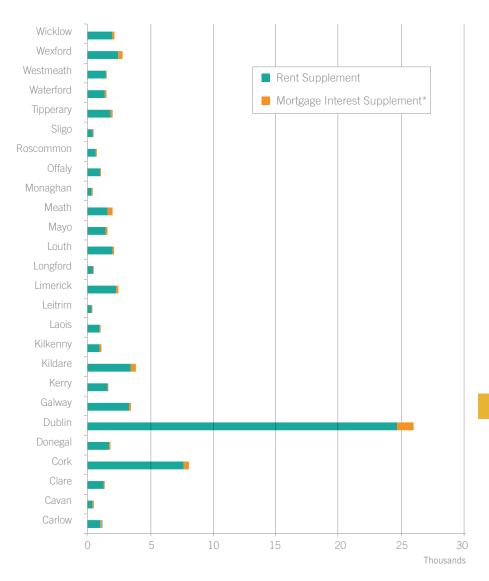


Table G14: Number of Recipients of Social Welfare Payments<sup>(1)(2)</sup> by scheme and broad nationality group, 2014

Type of Payment	Ireland	UK	EU 13	EU 15 to EU 28	Non-EU	Total
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	90,159	3,933	353	453	672	95,570
State Pension (Contributory)	338,348	5,893	970	251	958	346,420
State Pension (Transition)	1,367	106	28	14	33	1,548
Widow/er's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	114,940	2,150	330	655	595	118,670
Death Benefit (OIB Widows)	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Total Number of Recipients of Pensions	544,814	12,082	1,681	1,373	2,258	562,208
Jobseeker's Allowance	224,029	11,293	2,177	25,045	7,407	269,951
One Parent Family Payment	60,316	2,435	402	4,515	2,216	69,884
Widow/er's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Deserted Wife's Allowance	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	12,852	722	133	1,486	2,994	18,187
Farm Assist	9,552	200	42	0	15	9,809
Pre-Retirement Allowance	1,772	107	5	0	3	1,887
Jobseeker's Benefit	38,333	1,448	763	5,132	659	46,335
Deserted Wife's Benefit	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	6,989
Maternity Benefit	18,190	533	447	2,636	902	22,708
Adoptive Benefit	12	1	0	0	0	13
Health and Safety Benefit	20	0	3	29	1	53
Total Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports	365,076	16,739	3,972	38,843	14,197	445,816
Community Employment Programme	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	23,249
Rural Social Scheme	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	2,576
Tús	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	7,877
Job Initiative	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	1,031
Back To Work Allowance Employee	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	2
Back To Work Enterprise Allowance						
- Self Employed First Year	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	6,580
- Self Employed Years 2 - 4	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	4,586
JobBridge	5,116	200	88	503	140	6,047
Back To Education Allowance	19,051	817	260	1,354	1,232	22,714
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	332	9	3	23	6	373
Other Employment Supports	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	7,313
Partial Capacity Benefit	1,353	45	8	14	12	1,432
Total Number of Recipients of Working Age on Employment Supports	25,852	1,071	359	1,894	1,390	83,780

Table G14: Number of Recipients of Social Welfare Payments(1)(2) by scheme and broad nationality group, 2014 (Continued)

Type of Payment	Ireland	UK	EU 13	EU 15 to EU 28	Non-EU	Total
Disability Allowance	102,687	4,180	415	2,808	2,007	112,097
Blind Pension	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Carer's Allowance	54,239	2,660	183	1,113	1,185	59,380
Illness Benefit	51,060	1,570	365	3,392	637	57,024
Interim Illness Benefit	239	8	3	68	9	327
Injury Benefit	674	32	8	174	18	906
Invalidity Pension	52,249	1,155	150	514	155	54,223
Disablement Benefit	11730	260	33	205	65	12,293
Carer's Benefit	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	1,769
Domicilliary Care Allowance	23,340	1,294	231	1,105	1,298	27,268
Respite Care Grant	70,078	3,263	331	1,537	53	75,262
Total People with Disabilities	366,296	14,422	1,719	10,916	5,427	400,549
Child Benefit(Families)	492,152	24,309	8,402	59,450	31,022	615,335
Child Benefit (Children)	956,338	48,219	15,038	94,863	63,131	1,177,589
Family Income Supplement	34,858	1,929	537	10,154	2,828	50,306
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a
Total Child Related Payments	1,483,348	74,457	23,977	164,467	96,981	1,843,230
Rent Supplement	44,226	3,185	955	12,004	6,039	66,409
Mortgage Interest Supplement	4,600	254	20	72	61	5,007
Free Travel	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	812,892
Total Supplementary Payments	48,826	3,439	975	12,076	6,100	884,308
Grand Total	2,834,212	122,210	32,683	229,569	126,353	4,219,891

<sup>(1)</sup> It is not possible to segregate the nationalities of recipients/participants in respect of all schemes under the Department's remit.
(2) In some cases a person can be in receipt of more than one scheme type, for example Rent and Jobseekers Allowance.

# **SECTION H**LIVE REGISTER

## Section H: Live Register

The Live Register is a monthly statistical count compiled by the Central Statistics Office of certain categories of persons registered with the Department of Social Protection for Jobseeker's Benefit, Jobseeker's Allowance and credited Social Insurance contributions.

The Live Register comprises of the following classes of people under the age of 65 years:

- (i) all claimants of Jobseeker's Benefit excluding systematic short-time workers,
- (ii) applicants for Jobseeker's Allowance excluding smallholders and self-employed persons,
- (iii) other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.

This means that not all persons who are in receipt of Jobseeker's Benefit or Allowance are on the Live Register. Some persons who are included on the Live Register e.g. applicants for credited contributions, are not in receipt of a Jobseeker's Benefit or Allowance payment.

The jobseeker's recipients figure shown in Section A and Section C is not directly comparable with the Live Register figure, as this figure only includes those who were in receipt of a payment at the end of December.

#### Trends

The average Live Register decreased from 418,950 in 2013 to 383,779 in 2014, a decrease of 35,171 or 8.4%. Table H10 shows the numbers on the Live Register by County from 2005 to 2014 and the percentage increase in each county.

Month Jobseeker's Jobseeker's Credited **Total Live** Allowance Benefit Contributions Register January 399,630 302,943 61,194 35,493 February 301,716 60,708 35,645 398,069 March 298,631 56,993 35,608 391,232 April 295,762 56,872 35,925 388,559 52,785 35,713 May 300,266 388,764 June 308,076 54,724 36,013 398,813 July 308,651 59,413 36,451 404,515 August 306,853 55,294 36,178 398,325

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277,533

271,812

271,646

294,375

September

November

December

Average

October

Table H2: Average Number of Persons on the Live Register 2005 to 2014

Year	Jobseeker's Allowance	Jobseeker's Benefit	Credited Contributions	Average Live Register
2005	84,150	62,536	10,430	157,116
2006	85,950	61,729	9,719	157,398
2007	87,756	65,146	9,390	162,292
2008	113,643	103,004	10,423	227,069
2009	201,779	181,312	15,068	398,159
2010	274,666	142,976	24,047	441,689
2011	302,813	112,574	29,518	444,905
2012	310,033	93,236	32,984	436,254
2013	310,736	73,805	34,409	418,950
2014	294,375	53,841	35,563	383,779

Graph H1: Average Number of Persons on the Live Register 2005 to 2014

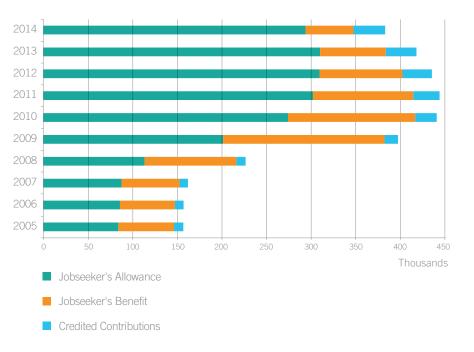


Table H3: Flows On and Off the Live Register by Month, 2014

Month	New	Outflow	Live Register	Net Change	
	Registrations				
January	41,984	37,765	399,630	4,219	
February	30,866	32,427	398,069	-1,561	
March	25,157	31,994	391,232	-6,837	
April	25,828	28,501	388,559	-2,673	
May	34,399	34,194	388,764	205	
June	32,875	22,826	398,813	10,049	
July	34,645	28,943	404,515	5,702	
August	32,060	38,250	398,325	-6,190	
September	28,217	56,492	370,050	-28,275	
October	35,239	46,659	358,630	-11,420	
November	30,525	36,508	352,647	-5,983	
December	23,969	20,504	356,112	3,465	
Total	375,764	415,063		-39,299	

Table H4: Number of Persons on the Live Register by Age and Sex, October, 2014

Age	Male		Ferr	iale	Total		
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
18 years	2,475	1.1%	1,803	1.3%	4,278	1.2%	
19 years	3,719	1.7%	2,653	1.9%	6,372	1.8%	
20 years	3,841	1.8%	2,810	2.0%	6,651	1.9%	
21 years	4,088	1.9%	3,001	2.1%	7,089	2.0%	
22 years	4,780	2.2%	3,289	2.3%	8,069	2.2%	
23 years	5,428	2.5%	3,755	2.7%	9,183	2.6%	
24 years	5,765	2.6%	3,789	2.7%	9,554	2.7%	
25 to 34 years	60,533	27.8%	37,285	26.5%	97,818	27.3%	
35 to 44 years	51,119	23.5%	30,980	22.0%	82,099	22.9%	
45 to 54 years	40,729	18.7%	26,154	18.6%	66,883	18.6%	
55 to 59 years	17,646	8.1%	12,602	8.9%	30,248	8.4%	
60 to 64 years	17,649	8.1%	12,737	9.0%	30,386	8.5%	
<b>Total Live Register</b>	217,772	100.0%	140,858	100.0%	358,630	100.0%	

Graph H2: Number of Persons on the Live Register by Age and Sex, 2014

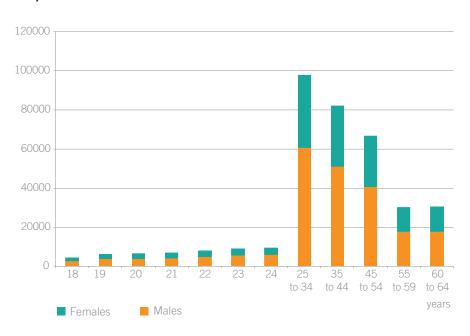


Table H5: Number of Persons on the Live Register in October 2014, Classified by Duration of Claim

Sex/Age			Duratio	on of Continuous Regis	tration		
	< 3 mths	3 - 6 mths	6 - 12 mths	1 - 2 yrs	2 - 3 yrs	> 3 yrs	Total
Male							
< 20 yrs	2,845	1,095	1,157	1,097	0	0	6,194
20 - 24 yrs	8,011	3,044	2,623	3,911	2,542	3,771	23,902
25 - 34 yrs	21,035	5,211	5,437	6,949	4,520	17,381	60,533
35 - 44 yrs	16,269	3,998	4,442	5,628	3,749	17,033	51,119
45 - 54 yrs	11,257	2,935	3,600	4,649	3,191	15,097	40,729
55 - 59 yrs	4,032	1,091	1,655	2,175	1,504	7,189	17,646
60 - 64 yrs	3,002	960	1,437	2,505	1,942	7,803	17,649
<b>Total Males</b>	66,451	18,334	20,351	26,914	17,448	68,274	217,772
Female							
< 20 yrs	2,025	967	733	731	0	0	4,456
20 - 24 yrs	7,040	2,082	1,536	2,542	1,511	1,933	16,644
25 - 34 yrs	16,844	3,981	3,571	4,174	2,487	6,228	37,285
35 - 44 yrs	11,759	3,480	3,253	4,183	2,404	5,901	30,980
45 - 54 yrs	9,767	2,581	2,469	3,644	1,906	5,787	26,154
55 - 59 yrs	3,906	953	1,079	1,969	1,252	3,443	12,602
60 - 64 yrs	2,622	853	1,101	2,203	1,620	4,338	12,737
<b>Total Females</b>	53,963	14,897	13,742	19,446	11,180	27,630	140,858
All Persons							
< 20 yrs	4,870	2,062	1,890	1,828	0	0	10,650
20 - 24 yrs	15,051	5,126	4,159	6,453	4,053	5,704	40,546
25 - 34 yrs	37,879	9,192	9,008	11,123	7,007	23,609	97,818
35 - 44 yrs	28,028	7,478	7,695	9,811	6,153	22,934	82,099
45 - 54 yrs	21,024	5,516	6,069	8,293	5,097	20,884	66,883
55 - 59 yrs	7,938	2,044	2,734	4,144	2,756	10,632	30,248
60 - 64 yrs	5,624	1,813	2,538	4,708	3,562	12,141	30,386
Total	120,414	33,231	34,093	46,360	28,628	95,904	358,630

Graph H3: Number of Persons on the Live Register in October 2014, by Sex and Duration

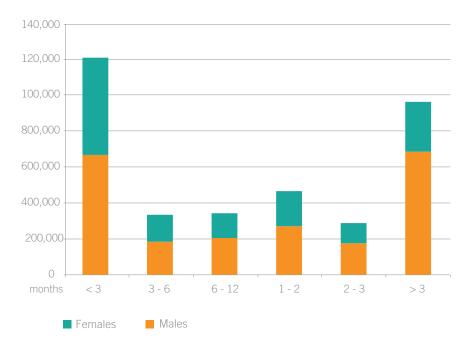


Table H6: Number of Persons on the Live Register in October by Sex and Duration 2005 to 2014

Year		Male			Female			
	< 1 yr	>= 1 yr	Total	< 1 yr	>= 1 yr	Total	Total	
2005	58,473	30,301	87,351	47,829	13,239	61,068	148,419	
2006	57,050	31,632	95,904	46,675	13,912	60,587	156,491	
2007	64,272	32,638	154,996	46,340	14,136	60,476	215,472	
2008	122,358	40,030	249,610	68,038	16,103	84,141	333,751	
2009	209,580	64,015	237,587	115,413	23,399	138,812	376,399	
2010	173,572	108,027	255,330	108,373	39,581	147,954	403,284	
2011	147,303	130,292	265,888	103,356	49,481	152,837	418,725	
2012	135,596	132,949	254,210	96,459	55,168	151,627	405,837	
2013	121,261	125,492	246,753	92,850	56,909	149,759	396,512	
2014	105,136	112,636	217,772	82,602	58,256	140,858	358,630	

## **Live Register**

Table H7: Selected Categories excluded from the Live Register in each Month during 2014

Month	Short-Time Workers	Self-Employed	Short-Term Enterprise Allowance Scheme	Work Placement Programme Graduate	Work Placement Programme Open	JobBridge Internship Scheme	Persons Aged 65 years	Jobseeker's Allowance Transitional Arrangement	Labour Market Education (Fulltime)
January	2,760	10,925	474	13	84	5,788	3,695	523	1,266
February	2,761	10,945	456	8	84	5,952	3,781	519	1,170
March	2,366	10,954	484	8	79	6,004	4,079	528	953
April	2,249	10,790	501	8	75	6,202	4,408	534	806
May	1,924	10,736	528	6	70	6,357	4,738	543	699
June	1,787	10,736	547	7	58	6,138	5,128	815	532
July	1,755	10,627	581	7	51	5,862	5,584	1,881	398
August	1,491	10,609	568	7	45	5,581	5,848	1,944	338
September	1,361	10,566	556	5	42	5,733	6,184	1,951	296
October	1,319	10,462	498	6	37	5,956	6,577	1,903	430
November	1,371	10,493	481	5	38	6,023	6,911	1,951	373
December	1,413	10,660	458	4	34	6,047	7,295	1,982	416
Average	1,880	10,709	511	7	58	5,970	5,352	1,256	640

Year	Short-Time Workers	Self-Employed	Persons Aged 65 years
2005	1,841	1,829	932
2006	1,259	1,839	971
2007	1,284	1,925	1,060
2008	2,962	2,547	1,283
2009	16,290	5,651	1,801
2010	15,116	8,855	2,234
2011	11,079	10,377	2,885
2012	7,208	10,934	3,306
2013	4,684	11,112	3,559
2014	1,880	10,709	5,352

Table H9: Average Live Register, Total Labour Force and Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rate, 2005 to 2014

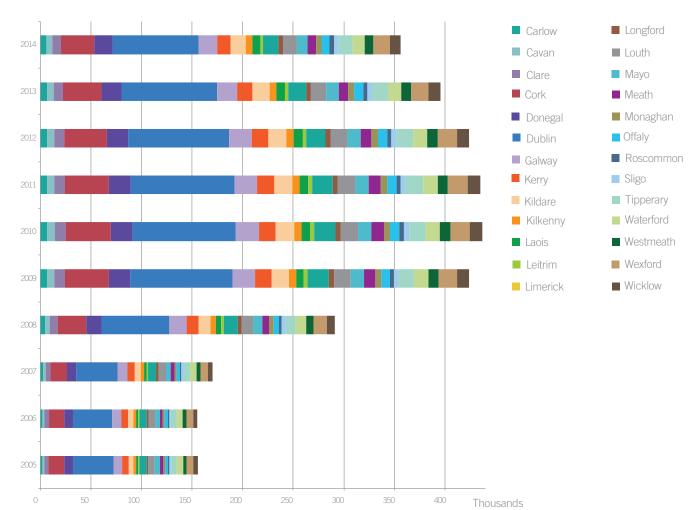
Year	Average Live Register	Total Labour Force <sup>(1)</sup>	Average Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rate % <sup>(1)</sup>
2005	157,116	2,052,850	4.5
2006	157,398	2,150,300	4.4
2007	162,292	2,248,175	4.5
2008	227,069	2,273,900	4.7
2009	398,159	2,228,975	6.4
2010	441,689	2,184,900	12.0
2011	444,905	2,165,825	13.9
2012	436,254	2,153,825	14.6
2013	418,950	2,163,350	14.7
2014	383,779	2,152,500	10.4

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: http://www.cso.ie/en/releasesandpublications/er/qnhs/quarterlynationalhouseholdsurveyquarter42014/

Table H10: Number on the Live Register by County at end December, 2005 to 2014

County	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Percentage Variance 2014 over 2013
Carlow	2,065	1,965	2,448	4,395	6,578	6,794	6,732	6,922	6,453	5,867	-9.1%
Cavan	2,211	2,287	2,628	5,073	7,189	7,498	7,227	6,994	6,629	5,844	-11.8%
Clare	3,945	4,073	4,696	7,503	10,404	10,619	10,368	9,965	9,285	8,427	-9.2%
Cork	15,533	15,208	16,696	28,064	43,637	44,651	43,651	41,687	38,049	33,407	-12.2%
Donegal	8,637	8,774	9,107	15,264	20,748	21,712	21,596	20,902	19,664	18,116	-7.9%
Dublin	39,933	38,505	40,832	67,505	101,172	101,962	102,269	100,324	94,395	84,707	-10.3%
Galway	8,645	9,046	9,755	16,479	22,722	23,099	22,585	22,081	20,174	18,134	-10.1%
Kerry	6,650	6,793	7,288	12,364	15,923	16,594	16,906	16,322	14,760	13,439	-8.9%
Kildare	4,662	5,187	6,061	11,533	17,229	18,015	17,683	18,018	17,208	15,385	-10.6%
Kilkenny	2,484	2,557	2,692	4,973	7,069	7,506	7,442	7,300	6,740	6,144	-8.8%
Laois	1,980	2,034	2,787	5,378	7,679	8,560	8,575	8,809	8,614	7,739	-10.2%
Leitrim	1,109	1,185	1,442	2,501	3,600	3,630	3,477	3,398	3,130	2,952	-5.7%
Limerick	7,106	7,314	8,236	14,030	21,375	20,970	20,339	19,228	17,539	15,358	-12.4%
Longford	1,800	1,941	2,378	3,840	5,157	5,254	5,121	5,072	4,727	4,293	-9.2%
Louth	6,480	6,536	6,892	11,457	16,614	17,418	17,526	16,806	15,376	14,105	-8.3%
Mayo	5,141	4,710	5,089	8,792	12,736	13,251	13,107	12,844	12,041	10,094	-16.2%
Meath	3,001	3,038	3,557	6,977	11,071	12,016	11,726	10,727	9,671	8,701	-10.0%
Monaghan	2,038	2,009	2,257	4,298	6,334	6,372	6,489	6,487	5,990	5,339	-10.9%
Offaly	2,771	2,768	3,282	5,617	8,191	9,162	9,330	9,208	8,697	7,935	-8.8%
Roscommon	1,190	1,285	1,512	2,694	3,820	4,002	3,980	4,068	3,882	4,348	12.0%
Sligo	1,938	1,859	2,136	3,530	4,992	5,404	5,239	5,108	4,942	4,599	-6.9%
Tipperary	5,623	5,315	5,756	10,261	15,087	16,711	16,850	16,468	15,579	14,135	-9.3%
Waterford	6,248	6,266	6,625	10,491	14,345	13,989	14,480	13,964	13,069	11,400	-12.8%
Westmeath	3,599	3,800	4,102	7,284	9,996	10,154	10,240	10,244	9,814	8,860	-9.7%
Wexford	6,615	6,710	7,511	12,978	18,156	19,278	19,366	18,705	17,310	16,197	-6.4%
Wicklow	4,429	4,224	4,611	8,082	11,771	12,458	12,480	12,082	11,673	10,587	-9.3%
Total	155,833	155,389	170,376	291,363	423,595	437,079	434,784	423,733	395,411	356,112	-9.9%

Graph H4: Number of Persons on the Live Register by County at end December, 2005 to 2014



For operational reasons, numbers by county are based on the geographical locations of Social Welfare offices rather than the recorded home addresses of individual claimants

# **SECTION J**CLAIMS ACTIVITY

## Section J: Claims Activity

This section relates to the Department's management and performance in relation to the claims received over the past 5 years.

In 2014 the total number of registered claims that were finalised (cleared) was 1,869,630 of which 1,569,045 or 83.9% were awarded. The remainder (300,585) were either disallowed by the Department's staff or withdrawn by the client.

At the end of 2014 there were 61,830 claims pending award (i.e. on hands), 0.7% lower than at the end of 2013, which represented 3.1% of the total received claims (1,985,615).

The Department has set measurable performance targets for the majority of the schemes under its remit.

Table J1: Claims Registered in Each Year 2010 To 2014

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	9,835	7,344	9,035	9,429	8,998
State Pension (Contributory)	32,940	36,281	35,198	39,215	40,212
State Pension (Transition)	20,184	22,719	22,430	19,270	3,885
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	7,534	7,549	7,451	7,574	7,390
Bereavement Grant - Sligo <sup>(1)</sup>	17,568	18,763	19,252	24,991	3,743
Bereavement Grant - Longford <sup>(1)</sup>	6,511	6,987	6,714	2,385	83
Total Pensions	94,572	99,643	100,080	102,864	64,311
Jobseeker's Allowance	263,942	239,667	225,262	227,722	209,444
One-Parent Family Payment	17,325	16,943	14,330	13,887	12,288
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension <sup>(3)</sup>	792	556	428	526	100
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	578,035	643,526	453,833	386,161	400,479
Jobseeker's Benefit	267,271	223,938	192,965	165,457	147,636
Maternity Benefit	50,078	50,430	47,875	46,692	46,819
Treatment Benefit <sup>(1)</sup>	229,928	473,123	453,236	492,127	503,691
<b>Total Working Age Income Supports</b>	1,407,371	1,648,183	1,387,929	1,332,572	1,320,457
Disability Allowance	21,409	24,264	25,887	20,538	21,071
Blind Pension <sup>(3)</sup>	219	208	198	181	46
Carer's Allowance	18,212	17,758	15,493	12,060	15,171
Domiciliary Care Allowance	5,529	5,191	4,079	4,464	5,743
Respite Care Grant (Once off)	6,420	6,574	5,854	5,188	1,900
Illness Benefit	289,962	296,730	286,534	288,052	226,274
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	15,157	14,177	13,641	13,838	13,404
Invalidity Pension	8,774	14,621	11,510	9,640	9,240
Disablement Pension	1,652	1,775	1,436	1,215	347
Carer's Benefit	2,080	2,060	1,788	1,804	2,074
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	369,414	383,358	366,420	356,980	295,270

## **Claims Activity**

Table J1: Claims Registered in Each Year 2010 To 2014 (Continued)

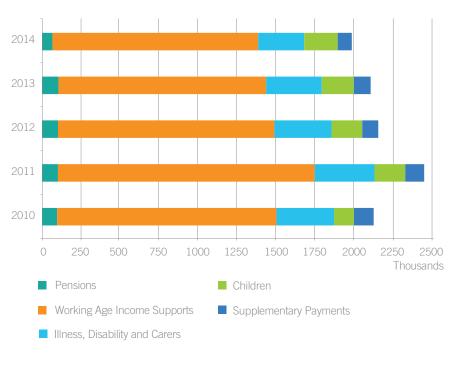
Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident	21,400	30,417	33,723	31,678	32,940
Abroad <sup>(2)</sup>					
Child Benefit - EU Regulation <sup>(2)</sup>	1,146	1,267	2,436	3,576	4,271
Child Benefit - Over 16 <sup>(2)</sup>	36,648	72,226	69,639	71,870	72,857
Child Benefit - Additional Child <sup>(2)</sup>	19,009	40,476	39,830	38,846	37,254
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	22,472	23,453	20,341	24,965	26,679
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	25,638	27,761	29,589	32,879	39,755
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)(3)	176	173	172	183	42
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)(3)	431	498	456	452	134
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant	1,224	1,178	1,130	1,185	1,044
Total Children	128,144	197,449	197,316	205,634	214,976
Household Benefits	107,353	101,812	82,480	89,463	69,527
Living Alone Allowance and Island Allowance	10,105	11,093	11,040	11,151	12,847
Free Travel	9,065	8,668	9,258	7,652	8,173
<b>Total Supplementary Payments</b>	126,523	121,573	102,778	108,266	90,547
Grand Total Claims Registered	2,126,024	2,450,206	2,154,523	2,106,316	1,985,561

<sup>(1)</sup> Bereavement Grant Scheme discontinued in January 2014

<sup>(2) 2010</sup> Child Benefit and Treatment Benefit statistics are lower than usual due to incomplete returns for the year
(3) These are not total figures for 2014 as these schemes migrated to a new payment system and statistics are not available for the latter part of the year.

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Graph J1: Claims Registered, 2010 to 2014



Graph J2: Claims Awarded, 2010 to 2014

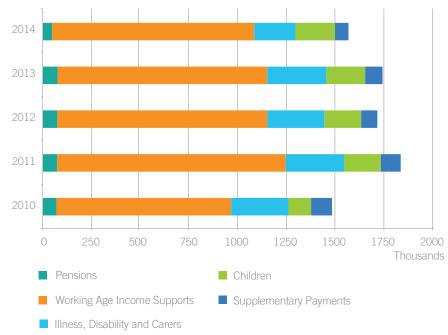


Table J2: Claims Awarded in Each Year 2010 To 2014

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	7,191	5,730	7,243	7,445	7,750
State Pension (Contributory)	23,194	25,964	25,586	28,129	27,591
State Pension (Transition)	11,243	12,775	12,599	10,598	1,623
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	5,872	5,870	5,783	5,709	5,615
Bereavement Grant - Sligo <sup>(1)</sup>	15,862	16,993	17,451	21,179	4,643
Bereavement Grant - Longford <sup>(1)</sup>	5,918	5,926	5,342	2,537	78
Total Pensions	69,280	73,258	74,004	75,597	47,300
Jobseeker's Allowance	191,144	174,491	167,623	180,009	166,048
One-Parent Family Payment	12,127	12,178	11,151	11,025	10,049
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension <sup>(3)</sup>	533	377	287	283	74
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	193,014	292,641	253,652	225,509	206,828
Jobseeker's Benefit	234,020	197,369	169,755	148,480	132,714
Maternity Benefit	48,806	48,827	45,415	45,491	44,555
Treatment Benefit <sup>(1)</sup>	217,854	447,908	430,778	465,583	477,658
Total Working Age Income Supports	897,498	1,173,791	1,078,661	1,076,380	1,037,926
Disability Allowance	8,306	9,246	10,400	12,497	13,876
Blind Pension <sup>(3)</sup>	117	106	96	77	29
Carer's Allowance	8,769	7,465	9,880	16,011	12,560
Domiciliary Care Allowance	3,103	2,686	1,586	1,877	3,104
Respite Care Grant (Once off)	5,486	4,965	4,575	4,218	299
Illness Benefit	249,166	259,008	245,319	245,456	162,187
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	12,289	11,616	10,927	11,428	9,768
Invalidity Pension	3,597	2,657	6,352	9,494	7,018
Disablement Pension	1,293	1,310	1,384	731	392
Carer's Benefit	1,965	1,941	2,021	1,917	2,264
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	294,091	301,000	292,540	303,706	211,497

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad <sup>(2)</sup>	22,382	34,735	34,576	31,151	31,765
Child Benefit - EU Regulation <sup>(2)</sup>	724	1,371	2,487	3,277	3,501
Child Benefit - Over 16 <sup>(2)</sup>	36,488	72,248	69,576	71,205	73,434
Child Benefit - Additional Child <sup>(2)</sup>	18,940	40,501	39,837	38,870	37,225
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	14,328	13,631	13,264	20,156	19,761
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	22,101	23,787	28,118	33,091	36,403
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)(3)	106	117	95	111	34
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)(3)	309	350	265	318	82
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant	995	1,091	1,036	1,108	951
Total Children	116,373	187,831	189,254	199,287	203,156
Household Benefits	90,990	83,889	65,844	72,578	50,999
Living Alone Allowance and Island Allowance	9,157	10,425	10,323	10,441	11,960
Free Travel	7,200	7,086	6,754	6,087	6,207
Total Supplementary Payments	107,347	101,400	82,921	89,106	69,166
Grand Total Claims Cleared	1,484,589	1,837,280	1,717,380	1,744,076	1,569,045

<sup>(1)</sup> Bereavement Grant Scheme discontinued in January 2014

<sup>(2) 2010</sup> Child Benefit and Treatment Benefit statistics are lower than usual due to incomplete returns for the year

<sup>(3)</sup> These are not total figures for 2014 as these schemes migrated to a new payment system and statistics are not available for the latter part of the year.

Table J3: Claims Cleared (i.e. Awarded, Disallowed or Withdrawn by Client) in Each Year 2010 to 2014

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	9,916	8,737	10,845	10,795	11,231
State Pension (Contributory)	38,655	38,676	38,359	41,797	41,387
State Pension (Transition)	24,308	24,236	24,663	21,703	5,065
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	7,703	7,622	7,478	7,447	7,361
Bereavement Grant - Sligo <sup>(1)</sup>	17,363	18,627	19,147	23,293	5,700
Bereavement Grant - Longford <sup>(1)</sup>	6,957	7,027	6,265	2,935	92
Total Pensions	104,902	104,925	106,757	107,970	70,836
Jobseeker's Allowance	273,386	245,855	230,398	238,230	214,961
One-Parent Family Payment	18,165	18,594	17,185	16,995	14,663
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension <sup>(4)</sup>	854	576	461	455	122
Supplementary Welfare Allowance (2)	240,766	349,789	299,959	264,819	238,641
Jobseeker's Benefit	287,397	242,318	205,423	179,003	155,876
Maternity Benefit	50,165	50,601	46,905	46,929	46,013
Treatment Benefit <sup>(3)</sup>	228,647	484,896	455,166	492,916	502,377
Total Working Age Income Supports	1,099,380	1,392,629	1,255,497	1,239,347	1,172,653
Disability Allowance	19,248	24,145	26,159	28,616	27,608
Blind Pension <sup>(4)</sup>	206	221	203	174	66
Carer's Allowance	16,629	13,886	18,483	28,421	21,248
Domiciliary Care Allowance	6,416	6,491	4,810	4,340	5,142
Respite Care Grant (Once off)	6,722	6,473	5,773	5,602	507
Illness Benefit	287,846	298,644	287,543	288,093	228,412
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	15,119	14,240	13,374	13,981	13,472
Invalidity Pension	7,614	12,829	17,775	18,792	13,561
Disablement Pension	1,545	1,785	1,720	1,323	975
Carer's Benefit	2,957	2,919	2,994	2,687	3,019
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	364,302	381,633	378,834	392,029	314,010

Table J3: Claims Cleared (i.e. Awarded, Disallowed or Withdrawn by Client) in Each Year 2010 to 2014 (Continued)

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad <sup>(3)</sup>	23,224	36,079	35,824	32,211	32,662
Child Benefit - EU Regulation <sup>(3)</sup>	1,064	1,890	3,081	3,790	4,058
Child Benefit - Over 16 <sup>(3)</sup>	36,488	72,248	69,576	71,205	73,434
Child Benefit - Additional Child <sup>(3)</sup>	18,940	40,501	39,837	38,870	37,225
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	21,753	20,573	20,994	30,238	26,986
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	24,616	25,746	30,767	35,878	39,552
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)(4)	163	189	161	185	59
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)(4)	444	504	436	478	149
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant	1,247	1,161	1,130	1,208	1,031
Total Children	127,939	198,891	201,806	214,063	215,156
Household Benefits	107,976	101,509	81,130	88,170	74,338
Living Alone Allowance and Island Allowance	10,957	12,605	12,229	12,115	13,810
Free Travel	10,701	11,191	9,941	8,483	8,827
Total Supplementary Payments	129,634	125,305	103,300	108,768	96,975
Grand Total Claims Cleared	1,826,157	2,203,383	2,046,194	2,062,177	1,869,630

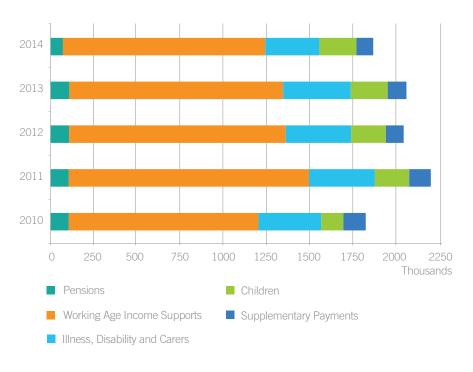
<sup>(1)</sup> Bereavement Grant Scheme discontinued in January 2014

<sup>(2)</sup> Approximately 100,000 Exceptional Needs Payments that are registered but automatically closed on the system are not reflected in these cleared figures.

<sup>(3) 2010</sup> Child Benefit and Treatment Benefit statistics are lower than usual due to incomplete returns for the year

<sup>(4)</sup> These are not total figures for 2014 as these schemes migrated to a new payment system and statistics are not available for the latter part of the year.

Graph J3: Claims Cleared, 2010 to 2014



Graph J4: Claims Pending 31 December of Each Year, 2010 to 2014

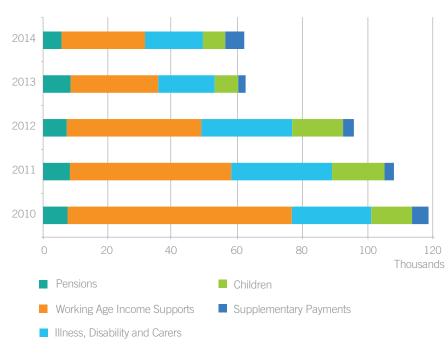


Table J4: Claims Pending 31 December of Each Year 2010 to 2014

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	1,507	1,869	1,432	1,780	1,552
State Pension (Contributory)	2,826	2,888	2,154	2,094	3,397
State Pension (Transition)	1,731	2,009	1,622	1,163	255
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	430	367	345	492	445
Bereavement Grant - Sligo <sup>(1)</sup>	806	954	1,105	2,845	N/a
Bereavement Grant - Longford <sup>(1)</sup>	175	141	601	57	N/a
Total Pensions	7,475	8,228	7,259	8,431	5,649
Jobseeker's Allowance	26,377	21,880	18,464	10,148	8,074
One-Parent Family Payment	5,250	4,249	3,536	2,515	1,452
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	134	110	69	84	N/a
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	5,670	6,371	4,701	3,762	3,905
Jobseeker's Benefit	11,659	9,065	7,723	4,613	4,257
Maternity Benefit	2,997	2,826	3,796	3,559	4,365
Treatment Benefit	16,872	5,099	3,079	2,290	3,604
Total Working Age Income Supports	68,959	49,600	41,368	26,971	25,657
Disability Allowance	6,880	6,999	7,775	5,022	6,058
Blind Pension	52	39	34	41	N/a
Carer's Allowance	3,769	7,765	8,553	2,719	4,461
Domiciliary Care Allowance	690	819	478	694	1,237
Respite Care Grant (Once off)	361	462	543	129	N/a
Illness Benefit	7,375	5,461	4,452	4,411	2,273
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	287	224	491	348	280
Invalidity Pension	2,701	6,814	3,662	2,013	2,034
Disablement Pension	1,972	1,962	1,699	1,617	990
Carer's Benefit	356	449	255	363	477
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	24,443	30,994	27,942	17,357	17,810

## **Claims Activity**

Table J4: Claims Pending 31 December of Each Year 2010 to 2014 (Continued)

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad <sup>(2)</sup>	1,260	654	2,276	1,743	2,021
Child Benefit - EU Regulation <sup>(2)</sup>	3,071	2,413	2,033	1,819	2,032
Child Benefit - Over 16 <sup>(2)</sup>	160	138	201	866	289
Child Benefit - Additional Child <sup>(2)</sup>	69	44	37	13	42
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	5,133	8,013	7,360	2,087	1,780
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	2,654	4,669	3,491	492	695
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	78	63	74	71	N/a
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	121	116	136	110	N/a
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant	0	28	37	14	16
Total Children	12,546	16,138	15,645	7,215	6,875
Household Benefits	4,582	2,566	2,949	1,855	5,197
Living Alone Allowance and Island Allowance	455	300	307	366	599
Free Travel	31	27	62	48	43
Total Supplementary Payments	5,068	2,893	3,318	2,269	5,839
Grand Total Claims Pending	118,491	107,853	95,532	62,243	61,830

<sup>(1)</sup> Bereavement Grant Scheme discontinued in January 2014(2) 2010 Child Benefit and Treatment Benefit statistics are lower than usual due to incomplete returns for the year

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
Pensions						
State Pension (Non-Contributory) <sup>(2)</sup>	9	10	12	16	13	
State Pension (Contributory)	7	5	6	5	5	
State Pension (Transition)	4	4	5	6	8	
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil						
Partner's Contributory Pension	3	2	2	2	2	
Bereavement Grant - Sligo <sup>(1)</sup>	1	1	1	2	8	
Bereavement Grant - Longford <sup>(1)</sup>	4	3	2	2	1	
Working Age Income Supports						
Jobseeker's Allowance	6	5	5	3	2	
One-Parent Family Payment	16	16	15	13	11	
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil						
Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	11	10	10	7	11	
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	1	1	1	1	1	
Jobseeker's Benefit	2	2	2	2	1	
Illness, Disability and Caring						
Disability Allowance <sup>(2)</sup>	14	17	19	28	12	
Carer's Allowance (2)	8	N/a	N/a	30	13	
Domiciliary Care Allowance	7	9	6	7	10	
Illness Benefit	1	1	1	1	1	
Invalidity Pension (2)	13	N/a	35	51	10	

Scheme	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Children					
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly					
Resident Abroad	N/a	3	3	3	2
Child Benefit - EU Regulation	N/a	51	38	28	26
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	10	17	16	7	4
Family Income Supplement - Claim					
Renewals	10	18	15	5	5
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant	2	1	1	2	1
Supplementary Payments					
Household Benefits	3	2	2	2	2
Free Travel	4	4	2	1	2

<sup>(1)</sup> Bereavement Grant Scheme discontinued in January 2014(2) Average times to award are published based on July/August to December in respect of these schemes

## **APPENDICES**

## **Appendix 1: Social Assistance And Social Insurance**

The Department of Social Protection provides a range of payments which can be classified as follows.

#### SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

Social Assistance schemes are financed entirely by the Exchequer. One of the basic requirements to qualify for payment under the Social Assistance schemes is that the claimant must satisfy a means test.

Social Assistance schemes comprise State Pension (Non-Contributory), Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension, Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory), Deserted Wife's Allowance, One-Parent Family Payment, Jobseeker's Allowance, Farm Assist, Pre-Retirement Allowance, Supplementary Welfare Allowance, Family Income Supplement, Disability Allowance, Carer's Allowance, Blind Pension, Rent Allowance, Household Benefits and Free Travel.

#### **SOCIAL INSURANCE**

Payments made under the Social Insurance system are funded, in part, by contributions from employers, employees and the self-employed. Any deficit in the fund is met by Exchequer subvention. Entitlement to Social Insurance benefits is conditional upon the claimants having a certain number of contributions paid or credited in a specific period of time. The contributions conditions vary according to the different Insurance schemes.

Social Insurance schemes comprise State Pension (Contributory), State Pension (Transition), Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension, Guardian's Payment (Contributory), Deserted Wife's Benefit, Invalidity Pension, Illness Benefit, Partial Capacity Benefit, Disablement Benefit, Carer's Benefit, Jobseeker's Benefit, Maternity Benefit, Health and Safety Benefit, Adoptive Benefit, Treatment Benefit, Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant, Bereavement Grants, Household Benefits and Free Travel.

#### **CHILD BENEFIT**

Child Benefit is funded entirely by the Exchequer; it is payable in respect of all children regardless of family means.

## **Appendix 2: Classification Of Social Welfare Schemes**

#### 1. Pensions

State Pension (Non-Contributory)

State Pension (Contributory)

State Pension (Transition)

Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension

Bereavement Grant

#### 2. Working Age Income Supports

Jobseeker's Allowance

One-Parent Family Payment

Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension

Deserted Wife's Allowance

Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance

Farm Assist

Pre-Retirement Allowance

Jobseeker's Benefit

Deserted Wife's Benefit

Maternity Benefit

Adoptive Benefit

Health and Safety Benefit

Heating and Diet Supplements

#### 3. Working Age Employment Supports

Back to Education Allowance

Back to Work Allowance

Back to Work Enterprise Allowance

Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme

Community Employment Programme

Short Term Enterprise Allowance

Work Placement Programme

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Rural Social Scheme

JobBridge

Partial Capacity Benefit

#### 4. Illness, Disability and Caring

Disability Allowance

Blind Pension

Carer's Allowance

Illness Benefit

Injury Benefit

**Invalidity Pension** 

Disablement Benefit

Carer's Benefit

Domiciliary Care Allowance

Medical Care

#### 5. Children

Back to School Clothing and Footwear Scheme Family Income Supplement Child Benefit Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) Guardian's Payment (Contributory) Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant

#### **6.** Supplementary Payments

Rent and Mortgage Interest Supplement Household Benefits and Free Travel Fuel Allowance

### **Appendix 3: Glossary**

**Recipient:** Person actually receiving a Social Welfare Payment.

**Qualified Adult:** Person in respect of whom a Qualified Adult Increase

is paid to the recipient.

**Qualified Child:** Child in respect of whom an Increase for a Qualified

Child is paid to the recipient. This allowance is payable at half the rate where a spouse/partner, living with the recipient, is not a Qualified Adult. Each spouse/partner may receive half the Increase for a Qualified Child where both are in receipt of a

Social Welfare Payment.

**Beneficiaries:** Total number of recipients, qualified adults and

qualified children.

**Claim/Claimant:** An application/applicant for a Social Welfare

Payment.

**Social Insurance Payments:** These comprise State Pension (Contributory),

State Pension (Transition), Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension, Guardian's Payment (Contributory), Deserted Wife's Benefit, Invalidity Pension, Illness Benefit, Partial Capacity Benefit, Carer's Benefit, Jobseeker's Benefit, Maternity Benefit, Health and Safety Benefit, Adoptive Benefit, Treatment Benefit, Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant, Bereavement Grants,

Household Benefits and Free Travel.

**Social Assistance Payments:** 

These comprise State Pension (Non-Contributory), Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension, Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory), Deserted Wife's Allowance, One-Parent Family Payment, Jobseeker's Allowance, Farm Assist, Pre-Retirement Allowance, Supplementary Welfare Allowance, Family Income Supplement, Disability Allowance, Carer's Allowance, Blind Pension, Rent Allowance, Household Benefits and Free Travel.

# **Appendix 4: Details of Scheme Changes**

The new State Pension (Non-Contributory) was introduced in September 2006 replacing the Old Age (Non-Contributory) Pension and, for recipients aged 66 and over, Blind Pension, Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension, One-Parent Family Payment, Deserted Wife's Allowance. Qualified Adults of a State Pension (Non-Contributory) aged over 66 also qualified for a pension in their own right.

Also effective from September 2006 recipients of Invalidity Pension aged 66 years or over were automatically transferred to State Pension (Contributory).

#### **Scheme Name Changes**

Effective from September 2006 scheme names were changed as follows:

#### **Previous Name of Scheme**

#### **New Name of Scheme**

Old Age (Contributory) Pension
Old Age (Non-Contributory) Pension
Retirement Pension
Unemployment Benefit
Unemployment Assistance
Unemployability Supplement
Disability Benefit
Orphan's (Contributory) Allowance
Orphan's (Non-Contributory) Allowance

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State Pension (Contributory)
State Pension (Non-Contributory)
State Pension (Transition)
Jobseeker's Benefit
Jobseeker's Allowance
Incapacity Supplement
Illness Benefit
Guardian's Payment (Contributory) (1)
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) (1)

(1) Scheme name changed effective from July 2006



