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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 this 29th edition of the Statistical Information on Social Welfare Services. This 2011 edition of the Annual Statistical Report provides comprehensive statistical information on all programmes administered by the Department of Social Protection.

Behind each and every one of these statistics is a real person or family, making it all the more important for us to see that delivering services is not just about numbers but about affecting the daily lives and wellbeing of all our citizens particularly in these challenging times.

The main features of the Department's activities in 2011 were:

- Total Social Welfare expenditure was €20,968 million, representing 39.7% of gross current government expenditure and 13.4% of GDP
- Over 1.4 million people were in receipt of a weekly Social Welfare payment, which was paid in respect of 2.2 million beneficiaries;
- There was almost €6.2 billion spent on Working Age Income Supports, a decrease of almost 7.3% on the previous year. Within this, expenditure on Jobseeker's supports decreased by 4.7% to €3.9 billion, a decrease largely due to the rates of payment introduced by the last Government in their 2011 budget. This Government has committed to maintaining primary welfare rates in Budget 2012;
- Spending on Working Age Employment Supports rose by 186% to almost €860 million, though most (circa. 90%) of this increase was as a result of schemes previously administered by FÁS now within the remit of the Department of Social Protection. However, it also includes an increased spend on labour market programmes like JobBridge;
- Expenditure on Pensions increased by 3.3% to almost €6.1 billion. Payments were made to over 522,000 people in this area. Schemes moved from elsewhere on the report to this area are Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension and Death Benefit Pension;
- 597,333 families received a monthly Child Benefit payment, which was paid in respect of 1,136,065 children. Expenditure on Child Benefit decreased by 6.2% to just under €2.1 billion, largely due to changes introduced by the last Government in their 2011 budget;
- Family Income Supplement was paid to 28,876 families and benefitted over 65,000 children. Expenditure on Family Income Supplement increased by 10% to almost €205 million;
- Expenditure on Carer's Allowance increased by 1.1% while that on Carer's Benefit decreased by 6.9%, largely due to a rate change by the last Government in their 2011 Budget. The numbers in receipt of a Carer's payment increased from 52,219 to 53,303 an increase of 2.1%;

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 a challenging year.

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

Joan Burton T.D. Minister for Social Protection



Réamhrá an Aire

Fearaim fáilte roimh fhoilsiú an 29ú eagrán seo den Eolas Staitistiúil ar Sheirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh. Soláthraíonn eagrán 2011 den Tuarascáil Staitistiúil Bhliantúil eolas cuimsitheach staitistiúil ar gach clár a riarann an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí.

Taobh thiar de gach ceann de na staitisticí seo tá fiordhuine nó fíortheaghlach, ionas gur tábhachtaí dúinn ná riamh féachaint chuige go ndíríonn ár seirbhísí ní amháin ar líonta daoine ach ar dhifriocht iarbhí a dhéanamh do shaol laethúil agus d'fholláine ár saoránach go háirithe sna hamanna dúshlánacha seo.

Ba iad seo a leanas príomhghnéithe ghníomhaíochtaí mo Roinne sa bhliain 2011:

- Ba é €20,968 milliún caiteachas iomlán na Roinne Coimirce Sóisialaí, arbh ionann é agus 37.9% de chaiteachas reatha comhlán an Rialtais agus 13.4% den OTN.
- Bhí geall le 1.4 milliún duine ag fáil íocaíocht sheachtainiúil Leasa Shóisialaigh, a íocadh ar son 2.2 milliún tairbhí;
- Caitheadh €6.2 milliún nó geall leis ar Thacaíochtaí Ioncaim Aois Oibre rud ab ionann agus 7.3% de laghdú ar an mbliaín roimhe. Laistigh den fhigiúr sin, laghdaigh an caiteachas ar thacaíochtaí Cuardaitheora Poist de 4.7% go €3.9 billiún, laghdú a d'fhéadfaí a chur i leith na rátaí íocaíochta a thug an Rialtas deiridh isteach i mBuiséad 2011. Gheall an Roinn i mBuiséad 2012 rátaí príomhúla leasa a choimeád.
- Mhéadaigh an caiteachas ar Thacaíochtaí Fostaíochta Aois Oibre de 186% go €860 milliún nó geall leis, cé gur tharla formhór (timpeall 90%) den mhéadú seo nuair a tháinig scéimeanna a bhí á riar ag FÁS roimhe seo faoi shainordú na Roinne Coimirce Sóisialaí. Ach cuimsíonn sé caiteachas níos airde, leis, ar chláir mhargaidh saothair ar nós JobBridge.
- Méadaigh caiteachas ar Phinsin de 3.3% go €6.1 billiún nó geall leis. Rinneadh íocaíochtaí le 522,000 duine nó geall leis sa réimse sin. I measc na scéimeanna a aistríodh ó áiteanna eile ar an tuarascáil seo go dtí an chuid seo tá Pinsean Baintrí, Baintrí Fir agus Páirtnéara Sibhialta Mharthanaigh.
- Fuair 597,333 teaghlach íocaíocht Sochar Linbh, a íocadh ar son 1,136,065 leanbh. Laghdaigh caiteachas ar Shochar Linbh de 6.2% go díreach faoi €2.1 billiún, de thoradh athruithe a thug an Rialtas deireanach isteach ina mBuiséad 2011.
- Íocadh Forlíonadh Ioncaim Teaghlaigh le 28,876 teaghlach, a thairbhí 65,000 leanbh nó geall leis. Méadaigh caiteachas ar an Fhorlíonadh Ioncam Teaghlaigh de 10% go €205 milliún nó geall leis.
- Méadaigh an caiteachas ar Liúntas Cúramóra de 1.1% ach thit an caiteachas ar Shochar Cúramóra de 6.9% de thoradh athrú ráta a thug an Rialtas deireanach isteach ina mBuiséad 2011. Méadaigh líon na ndaoine a fhaigheann íocaíocht Cúramóra de 2.1%, ó 52,219 go 53,303.

Léiríonn an tuarascáil seo an dul chun cinn atá á dhéanamh chun seirbhísí a fheabhsú agus a fhorbairt, i gcomhar le haidhmeanna agus cuspóirí ginearálta an Rialtais a fhéachann le caighdeán beatha agus deiseanna níos fearr a sholáthar do dhaoine ag gach aois.

Mar fhocal scoir, is mór agam iarrachtaí leanúnacha fhoireann na Roinne seo chun clár an Rialtais um chosaint, tacaíochtaí agus athchóiriú leasa shóisialaigh a chur i ngníomh i mbliaín dhúshlánach.

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

An tAire Joan Burton, T.D. Aire Coimirce Sóisialaí

Introduction

General

This is the twenty ninth 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 2011 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 referred 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 2011 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 affect the comparability of different years’ figures in some instances. Relevant tables are footnoted where appropriate.

Breakdown by Section

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 Carers
Section F	Children
Section G	Supplementary Welfare Payments
Section H	Live Register
Section J	Claims Activity

Appendix 2 (page 121) 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 é an naoú eagrán is fiche den “Eolas Staitistiúil ar Sheirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh” arna ullmhú ag an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí. Leagtar amach ann sonraí a bhaineann le seirbhísí arna soláthar ag an Roinn.

Baineann na staitisticí atá leagtha amach sa tuarascáil seo leis an mbliain 2011 agus le blianta roimpi. I gcás sonraí a bhaineann le faighteoírí agus tairbhíthe, tagraíonn na figiúirí, muna ndeirtear a mhalairt, leis an 31 Nollaig i ngach bliain. Tagraítear do roinnt táblaí, a sholáthraíonn miondealú ar fhaighteoírí nó ar thairbhíthe ar bhonn tréithe éigin ar nós líon na gcleithiúnach nó aois, mar táblaí “measta”. Ciallaíonn sin gur socraíodh an miondealú comhréireach, a mheastar a bheith ina mheastachán iontaoifa, ag dáta seachas an 31ú Nollaig, ach gar dó.

Tá na figiúirí caiteachais don bhliain 2011 sealadach ar feitheamh ar dheimhniú ón Ard-Reachtaire Cuntas agus Ciste.

Foinse Sonraí

Is í an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialta foinse na staitisticí a chuirtear i láthair, ach sa chás go ndeirtear a mhalairt.

Amsraitheanna agus Athruithe ar Íocaíochtaí a bhí ann cheana

Tugtar sonraí Amsraitheanna, ach iad a bheith ar fáil. Ach tá tionchar ag íocaíochtaí nua agus ag athruithe ar íocaíochtaí a bhí ann cheana ar inchomparáideacht fhigiúirí bhlianta difriúla i gcásanna áirithe. Tá fo-nótaí ag gabháil leis na táblaí cuí áit is cuí.

Miondealú de réir Ranna

Tá an tuarascáil roinnte ina naoi roinn mar seo a leanas:

Roinn A	Achoimre agus Airgeadas
Roinn B	Pinsin
Roinn C	Tacaíochtaí Ioncaim Aois Oibre
Roinn D	Tacaíochtaí Fostaíochta Aois Oibre
Roinn E	Breuiteacht, Míchumas agus Cúram
Roinn F	Leanáí
Roinn G	Íocaíochtaí Leasa Forlíontacha
Roinn H	An Beochlár
Roinn J	Gníomhaíocht Éileamh

Liostaítear in Aguisín 2 (lch 121) na híocaíochtaí atá i gceist i ngach catagóir.

- I **Roinn A** gheofar sonraí caiteachais, sonraí fhaighteoírí íocaíochtaí Leasa Shóisialaigh, sonraí daoine faoi árachas agus sonraí rátaí íocaíochta
- I **Roinn B** gheofar sonraí caiteachais agus sonraí fhaighteoírí íocaíochtaí le Seanóirí agus le Daoine ar Scor
- I **Roinn C** gheofar sonraí caiteachais agus sonraí fhaighteoírí sna Grúpaí Ioncaim Aois Oibre
- I **Roinn D** gheofar sonraí tacaíochtaí fostaíocht lena n-áirítear an Liúntas um Fhilleadh ar an Obair, an Liúntas Fiontraíochta um Fhilleadh ar an Obair, an Liúntas um Fhilleadh ar an Oideachas
- I **Roinn E** gheofar sonraí caiteachais agus sonraí fhaighteoírí an tSochaí Bhreiteachta, an Phinsin Easláine, an Liúntais Mhíchumais, Phinsean na nDall, an Liúntais Chúramóra agus Shochair Dhíobhála Ceirde
- I **Roinn F** gheofar sonraí caiteachais agus sonraí fhaighteoírí íocaíochtaí a bhaineann le leanaí lena n-áirítear Sochar Linbh, Íocaíocht Chaomhnóra agus an Liúntas um Éadaí agus Coisbhirt don Scoilbhliain Nua
- I **Roinn G** gheofar sonraí caiteachais agus sonraí fhaighteoírí an Fhorlíonta Chíosa, an Fhorlíonta Mhorgáiste agus an Fhorlíonta Mhorgáiste Údaráis Áitiúil agus íocaíochtaí ilghnéitheacha eile.
- I **Roinn H** gheofar sonraí an Bheochláir
- I **Roinn J** gheofar sonraí Ghníomhaíocht Éilimh

Achoimre

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Foilsíonn an Roinn Coimirce Sóisialaí tuarascáil bhliantúil, leis, ina bhfaighfear sonraí gach mórfhorbairte sa bhliain i dtrácht. Tuarascáil dhul chun cinn atá sa Tuarascáil don Aire agus don Rialtas ar chur i bhfeidhm Ráiteas Straitéise na Roinne. Lena chois sin, soláthraíonn an 'Treoir do Sheirbhísí Leasa Shóisialaigh' eolas cuimsitheach ar gach seirbhís leasa shóisialaigh agus gheofar é díreach ó oifig ar bith de chuid na Roinne agus ar an Idirlíon.

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SECTION A
SUMMARY AND FINANCIAL

Section A: Summary and Financial

Expenditure

Total Social Welfare expenditure in 2011 was €20,968 million, an increase of 0.6% over 2010, though FÁS Community and Employment Services account for €425 million of 2011 expenditure. Expenditure in 2011 represented 39.7% of Gross Current Government expenditure and was equivalent to 16.9 % of GNP (Table A2). The main areas of expenditure by programme group were Pensions (29.1%), Working Age Income Supports (29.5%), Working Age Employment Supports (4.1%), Illness, Disability and Carers (16.4%), Children (11.6%), Supplementary Payments (6.3%) and Administration of the social welfare system accounted for 3.0% of total expenditure (Graph A1).

Total Social Welfare expenditure was financed by the Exchequer (64%) and the Social Insurance Fund (36%). The Social Insurance Fund was financed by Pay-Related Social Insurance contributions from employers (72.4%), employees (23%), the self-employed (4.6%). See Tables A6 and A7.

Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments

Over 1,467,100 people were in receipt of a weekly social welfare payment at the end of 2011. As these payments included increases in respect of over 197,700 Qualified Adults and over 516,300 children, along with Family Income Supplement and Guardian's payments made in respect of over 67,000 children, there were over 2,248,200 beneficiaries in all

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

- (a) FÁS 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 (€425 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.

- (c) Increases in the maximum duration and maximum payment of Maternity Benefit 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.
- (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.

Graph A1: Expenditure on Social Welfare by Programme, 2008 to 2011

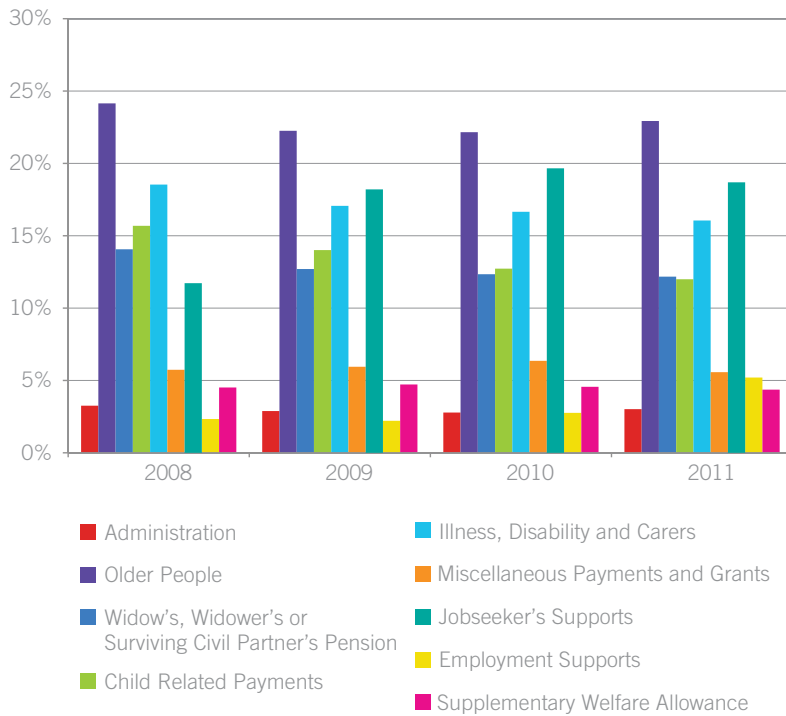


Table A1: Expenditure on Social Welfare by Programme, 2010 to 2011

Programme	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2011
	€000	€000	
Pensions	5,898,644	6,092,014	3.3%
Working Age Income Supports	6,669,207	6,183,364	-7.3%
Working Age Employment Supports ⁽²⁾	300,162	859,897	186.5%
Illness, Disability and Carers	3,557,052	3,443,224	-3.2%
Children	2,534,856	2,429,905	-4.1%
Supplementary Payments	1,310,948	1,329,606	1.4%
Administration	579,592	629,831	8.7%
Total Expenditure	20,850,461	20,967,841	0.6%

(1) Provisional

(2) Includes additional FÁS Community and Employment Services Expenditure of €425 million for 2011.

Table A2: Expenditure on Social Welfare as a Percentage of Current Government Expenditure, GNP and GDP, 2002 to 2011

Year	Total Social Welfare Expenditure ⁽¹⁾ (€m)	Index of Expenditure	Consumer Price Index ⁽²⁾	Social Welfare Expenditure as a percentage of: ⁽³⁾		
				Gross Current Government Expenditure	Gross National Product	Gross Domestic Product
2002	9,517	100.0	100.0	28.8	8.9	7.3
2003	10,493	110.3	103.5	28.9	8.9	7.5
2004	11,291	118.6	105.7	28.9	8.9	7.6
2005	12,168	127.9	108.4	28.2	8.8	7.5
2006	13,586	142.8	112.7	28.6	8.8	7.7
2007	15,518	163.1	118.1	29.5	9.5	8.2
2008	17,809	187.1	123.0	31.1	11.5	9.9
2009	20,536	215.8	117.4	33.8	15.6	12.9
2010	20,850	219.1	116.4	38.4	16.3	13.4
2011	20,968	220.3	119.3	39.7	16.9	13.4

(1) Includes the full cost of Supplementary Welfare Allowance which is administered by the Health Service Executive up to October 1st 2011 and is now administered by the Department of Social Protection.

(2) Re-based from Consumer Price Index data published by the Central Statistics Office.

(3) Source: Central Statistics Office

Table A3: Expenditure on Social Welfare by Payment Type, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2011 over 2010
	€000	€000	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	977,293	971,566	-0.6%
State Pension (Contributory)	3,451,503	3,622,767	5.0%
State Pension (Transition)	108,194	132,396	22.4%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	1,335,584	1,337,868	0.2%
Death Benefit Pension	7,778	7,977	2.6%
Bereavement Grants	18,292	19,440	6.3%
Total Pensions	5,898,644	6,092,014	3.3%
Jobseeker's Allowance	2,809,381	2,974,987	5.9%
One Parent Family Payment	1,110,328	1,088,897	-1.9%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	19,252	18,173	-5.6%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	5,020	4,211	-16.1%
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽²⁾	206,570	174,349	-15.6%
Farm Assist	110,931	113,724	2.5%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	77,850	59,942	-23.0%
Jobseeker's Benefit	1,285,438	927,105	-27.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	93,387	85,828	-8.1%
Maternity Benefit	323,938	309,143	-4.6%
Adoptive Benefit	891	1,075	20.7%
Health and Safety Benefit	588	643	9.4%
Redundancy and Insolvency	490,304	326,892	-33.3%
Treatments Benefits ⁽³⁾	51,473	23,042	-55.2%
Exceptional Needs and Urgent Payments	69,420	62,228	-10.4%
Other Supplements	13,391	12,766	-4.7%
Humanitarian Aid	1,045	359	-65.6%
Total Working Age Income Supports	6,669,207	6,183,364	-7.3%
Community Employment	0	349,396	100.0%
Other Employment Programmes	0	48,180	100.0%
Integration Supports	0	27,158	100.0%
Employment Support Services ⁽³⁾	300,162	435,163	45.0%
Total Working Age Employment Supports⁽⁴⁾	300,162	859,897	186.5%
Disability Allowance	1,109,505	1,089,178	-1.8%
Blind Pension	16,032	15,625	-2.5%
Carer's Allowance	501,789	507,193	1.1%
Domiciliary Care Allowance	95,710	99,924	4.4%
Respite Care Grant	128,097	130,392	1.8%
Illness Benefit	942,571	875,641	-7.1%
Injury Benefit	17,884	16,508	-7.7%
Invalidity Pension	639,994	606,512	-5.2%
Disablement Benefit	78,822	77,460	-1.7%
Medical Care Scheme	360	317	-11.9%
Carer's Benefit	26,288	24,474	-6.9%
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	3,557,052	3,443,224	-3.2%
Child Benefit	2,213,429	2,076,338	-6.2%
Family Income Supplement	185,998	204,543	10.0%
Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance	77,401	90,909	17.5%
School Meals Scheme	34,939	34,975	0.1%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	4,697	5,134	9.3%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Non-Contributory)	475	276	-41.9%
Guardian's Payments (Contributory)	11,462	11,502	0.3%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Contributory)	6,455	6,228	-3.5%
Total Children	2,534,856	2,429,905	-4.1%
Household Benefits and Free Travel ⁽³⁾	670,660	711,011	6.0%
Rent Allowance	804	701	-12.8%
Supplementary Payments ⁽³⁾	639,484	617,894	-3.4%
Total Supplementary Payments	1,310,948	1,329,606	1.4%
Administration - Insurance Schemes	280,777	280,984	0.1%
Administration - Assistance Schemes	298,815	348,847	16.7%
Total Administration	579,592	629,831	8.7%
Grand Total	20,850,461	20,967,841	0.6%

(1) Provisional.

(2) Includes Direct Provision Allowance

(3) See Additional Expenditure Details in Table A4

(4) Includes additional FÁS Employment and Community Services Expenditure of €425 million for 2011.

Table A4: Additional Expenditure Details, 2010 and 2011

Additional Details	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change
	€000	€000	
Working Age Employment Supports			
Back to Work Allowance/Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	87,960	114,583	30.3%
Back to Education Allowance	179,851	201,519	12.0%
Part-time Job Incentive Scheme	1,157	1,032	-10.8%
Rural Social Schemes	13,872	46,835	237.6%
Community Services Programme	8,198	45,452	454.4%
Community Employment	-	349,396	100.0%
Other Employment Programmes	-	48,180	100.0%
Integration Supports	-	27,158	100.0%
Other	9,124	25,742	182.1%
Total	300,162	859,897	186.5%
Treatment Benefits			
Dental	34,215	10,450	-69.5%
Optical	9,989	4,593	-54.0%
Medical and Surgical	7,269	7,999	10.0%
Total	51,473	23,042	-55.2%
Household Benefits and Free Travel			
Social Insurance			
Fuel Allowance	78,136	86,654	10.9%
Electricity Allowance	95,533	108,215	13.3%
Gas Allowance	14,649	15,383	5.0%
Free Television Licence	34,962	35,129	0.5%
Telephone Allowance	65,572	66,194	0.9%
Total	288,852	311,575	7.9%
Household Benefits and Free Travel			
Social Assistance			
Fuel Allowance	150,630	179,185	19.0%
Free Travel	74,094	75,597	2.0%
Electricity Allowance	76,056	71,036	-6.6%
Gas Allowance	5,333	5,333	0.0%
Free Television Licence	22,688	22,518	-0.7%
Telephone Allowance	53,007	45,767	-13.7%
Total	381,808	399,436	4.6%
Supplementary Payments			
Rent Supplement	516,538	502,748	-2.7%
Mortgage Interest Supplements	65,615	67,849	3.4%
Grant to the Citizen's Information Board	44,986	45,114	0.3%
Grant to Family Support Agency	9,909	-	-100.0%
Other Grants/Payments	2,436	2,183	-10.4%
Total	639,484	617,894	-3.4%

(1) Provisional.

Table A5: Social Assistance and Social Insurance Expenditure by Scheme, 2010 and 2011

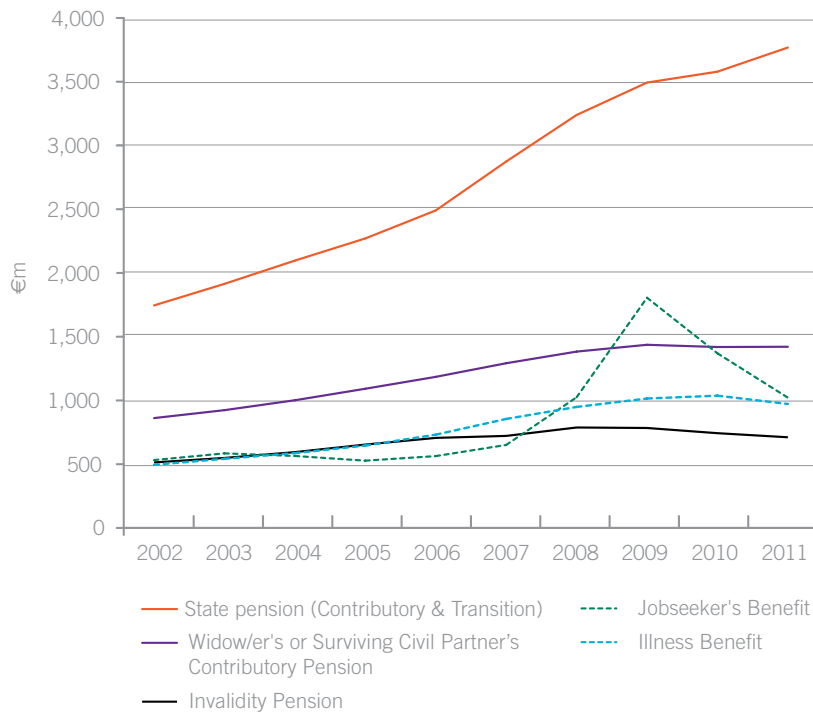
Type of Payment	Expenditure		Change 2011 over 2010
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One-Parent Family Payment	1,110,328	1,088,897	-1.9%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Non-Contributory)	19,252	18,173	-5.6%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	5,020	4,211	-16.1%
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	206,570	174,349	-15.6%
Farm Assist	110,931	113,724	2.5%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	77,850	59,942	-23.0%
Exceptional Needs & Urgent Payments	69,420	62,228	-10.4%
Other Supplements	13,391	12,766	-4.7%
Humanitarian Aid	1,045	359	-65.6%
Community Employment ⁽³⁾	0	349,396	100.0%
Other Employment Programmes ⁽³⁾	0	48,180	100.0%
Integration Supports ⁽³⁾	0	27,158	100.0%
Employment Support Services ⁽³⁾	300,162	435,163	45.0%
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School Meals	34,939	34,975	0.1%
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Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	4697	5,134	9.3%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Non-Contributory)	475	276	-41.9%
Rent Allowance	804	701	-12.8%
Household Benefits and Free Travel ⁽¹⁾	381,808	399,436	4.6%
Supplementary Payments	639,484	617,894	-3.4%
Administration	298,815	348,847	16.7%
Total Social Assistance	11,389,626	11,962,464	5.0%
State Pension (Contributory)	3,451,503	3,622,767	5.0%
State Pension (Transition)	108,194	132,396	22.4%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	1,335,584	1,337,868	0.2%
Death Benefit	7,778	7,977	2.6%
Bereavement Grant	18,292	19,440	6.3%
Jobseeker's Benefit	1,285,438	927,105	-27.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	93,387	85,828	-8.1%
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Invalidity Pension	639,994	606,512	-5.2%
Disablement Benefit	78,822	77,460	-1.7%
Medical Care	360	317	-11.9%
Carer's Benefit	26,288	24,474	-6.9%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	11,462	11,502	0.3%
Widowed Parent or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Contributory)	6,455	6,228	-3.5%
Household Benefits and Free Travel ⁽¹⁾	288,852	311,575	7.9%
Administration	280,777	280,984	0.1%
Total Social Insurance	9,460,835	9,005,377	-4.8%
Grand Total	20,850,461	20,967,841	0.6%

(1) See Additional Expenditure Details in Table A4.

(2) Provisional

(3) Includes additional FÁS Employment and Community Services Expenditure of €425 million for 2011.

Graph A2: Expenditure on Main Social Insurance Schemes, 2002 to 2011



Graph A3: Expenditure on Main Social Assistance Schemes, 2002 to 2011



Table A6: Financing of Social Welfare Expenditure, 2010 and 2011

	2010		2011 ⁽¹⁾	
	€000		€000	
Sources of Finance				
Social Insurance Fund	9,460,835	45.4%	9,005,377	42.9%
State	11,389,626	54.6%	11,962,464	57.1%
Total	20,850,461	100.0%	20,967,841	100.0%

(1) Provisional

A payment of €1.463 billion was made to the Social Insurance Fund under Section 9(9) of the Social Welfare Consolidation Act 2005

Graph A4: Financing of the Social Insurance Fund, 2012

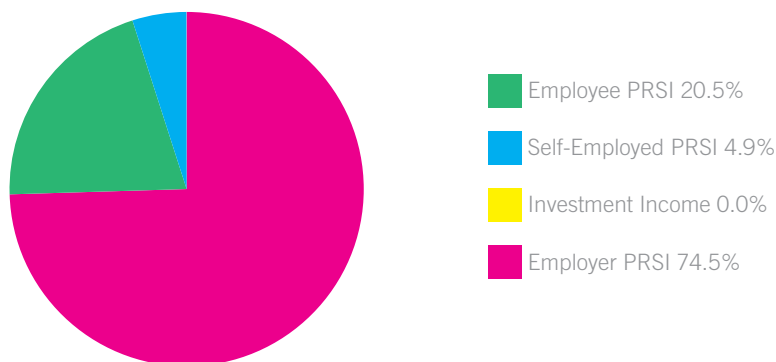


Table A7: Financing of the Social Insurance Fund, 2010 and 2011

	2010		2011	
	€000		€000	
Sources of Finance				
Employer PRSI	5,000,275	74.5%	5,459,838	72.4%
Employee PRSI	1,377,140	20.5%	1,732,342	23.0%
Self-Employed PRSI	330,603	4.9%	348,342	4.6%
Investment Income	1,612	0.0%	1,000	0.0%
Other Receipts	50	0.0%	1,147	0.0%
Total Income	6,709,680	100.0%	7,542,669	100.0%
Expenditure on Social Insurance Schemes	9,460,835		9,005,377	
Surplus	-2,751,155		-1,462,708	

Note: The breakdown between employer and employee 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.

A payment of €1.463 billion was made to the Social Insurance Fund under Section 9(9) of the Social Welfare Consolidation Act 2005 in 2011.

Table A8: Number of Recipients and Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments, 2002 to 2011

Year	Recipients	Beneficiaries
2002	938,971	1,496,714
2003	959,432	1,511,740
2004	957,732	1,463,921
2005	976,613	1,469,106
2006	1,003,517	1,506,824
2007	1,060,327	1,577,463
2008	1,208,883	1,799,875
2009	1,379,206	2,076,256
2010	1,430,833	2,179,428
2011	1,467,129	2,248,284

Graph A5: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme Area, 2011

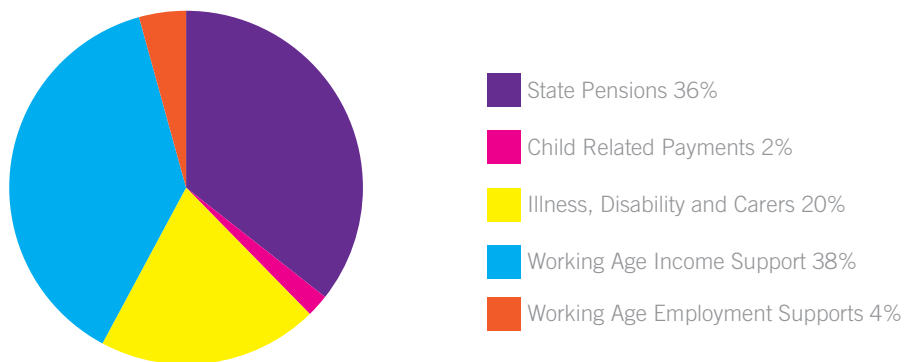


Table A9: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Historic Scheme Group, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	Recipients		Change 2011 over 2010
	2010	2011	
State Pension (Contributory)	280,419	296,995	5.9%
State Pension (Transition)	10,206	12,110	18.7%
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	97,179	96,749	-0.4%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	6,021	4,820	-19.9%
Total Older People	393,825	410,674	4.3%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	114,579	115,762	1.0%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,977	1,959	-0.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	8,372	8,071	-3.6%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	487	409	-16.0%
One-Parent Family Payment	92,326	90,307	-2.2%
Total Widows Widowers or Surviving Civil Partners and One-Parent Families	217,741	216,508	-0.6%
Maternity Benefit	23,456	23,947	2.1%
Health and Safety Benefit	60	61	1.7%
Adoptive Benefit	53	45	-15.1%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	919	955	3.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	429	441	2.8%
Total Child Related Payments	24,917	25,449	2.1%
Illness Benefit	81,253	73,397	-9.7%
Invalidity Pension	50,766	49,792	-1.9%
Injury Benefit	835	776	-7.1%
Interim Illness Benefit	374	327	-12.6%
Disablement Benefit	13,721	13,993	2.0%
Death Benefit Pension	633	628	-0.8%
Disability Allowance	101,111	102,866	1.7%
Carer's Benefit	1,642	1,637	-0.3%
Carer's Allowance	50,577	51,666	2.2%
Blind Pension	1,485	1,496	0.7%
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	302,397	296,578	-1.9%
Jobseeker's Benefit	123,457	96,044	-22.2%
Jobseeker's Allowance	261,850	283,929	8.4%
Total Jobseeker's Supports	385,307	379,973	-1.4%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	851	182	-78.6%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed First Year	5,011	5,617	12.1%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	2,947	5,134	74.2%
Back to Education Allowance	21,147	24,666	16.6%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	161	180	11.8%
Family Income Supplement	28,223	28,876	2.3%
Farm Assist	10,714	11,333	5.8%
Community Employment Scheme ⁽²⁾	0	22,589	100%
Tús - Community Work Placement Scheme ⁽³⁾	0	2,077	100%
Rural Social Scheme ⁽⁴⁾	0	2,537	100%
Total Employment Supports	69,054	103,191	49.4%
Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽¹⁾	37,413	34,597	-7.5%
Total Supplementary Welfare Allowance	37,413	34,597	-7.5%
Rent Allowance	179	159	-11.2%
Total Miscellaneous Payments	179	159	-11.2%
Grand Total	1,430,833	1,467,129	2.5%

(1) Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and H for details of other Supplementary Payments

(2) Funding Responsibility for FÁS Employment Programmes and associated Administration Costs transferred from Department of Education and Skills to Department of Social Protection from 1st January 2011.

(3) Tús commenced in early 2011.

(4) Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.

Table A10 : Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	Recipients		Change 2011 over 2010
	2010	2011	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	97,179	96,749	-0.4%
State Pension (Contributory)	280,419	296,995	5.9%
State Pension (Transition)	10,206	12,110	18.7%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	114,579	115,762	1.0%
Death Benefit Pension	633	628	-0.8%
Total Number of Recipients of Pensions	503,016	522,244	3.8%
Jobseeker's Allowance	261,850	283,929	8.4%
One-Parent Family Payment	92,326	90,307	-2.2%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,977	1,959	-0.9%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	487	409	-16.0%
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽¹⁾	37,413	34,597	-7.5%
Farm Assist	10,714	11,333	5.8%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	6,021	4,820	-19.9%
Jobseeker's Benefit	123,457	96,044	-22.2%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	8,372	8,071	-3.6%
Maternity Benefit	23,456	23,947	2.1%
Adoptive Benefit	53	45	-15.1%
Health and Safety Benefit	60	61	1.7%
Total Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports	566,186	555,522	-1.9%
Back to Education Allowance	21,147	24,666	16.6%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	851	182	-78.6%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance			
Self - Employed First Year	5,011	5,617	74.2%
Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	2,947	5,134	16.6%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	161	180	11.8%
Community Employment Programme ⁽²⁾	0	22,589	100%
Tús- Community Work Placement Scheme ⁽³⁾	0	2,077	100%
Rural Social Scheme ⁽⁴⁾	0	2,537	100%
Total Number of Recipients of Working Age on Employment Supports	30,117	62,982	109.1%
Disability Allowance	101,111	102,866	1.7%
Blind Pension	1,485	1,496	0.7%
Carer's Allowance	50,577	51,666	2.2%
Illness Benefit	81,253	73,397	-9.7%
Interim Illness Benefit	374	327	-12.6%
Injury Benefit	835	776	-7.1%
Invalidity Pension	50,766	49,792	-1.9%
Disablement Benefit	13,721	13,993	2.0%
Carer's Benefit	1,642	1,637	-0.3%
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	301,764	295,950	-1.9%
Family Income Supplement	28,223	28,876	2.3%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	919	955	3.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	429	441	2.8%
Total Children	29,571	30,272	2.4%
Rent Allowance	179	159	-11.2%
Grand Total	1,430,833	1,467,129	2.5%

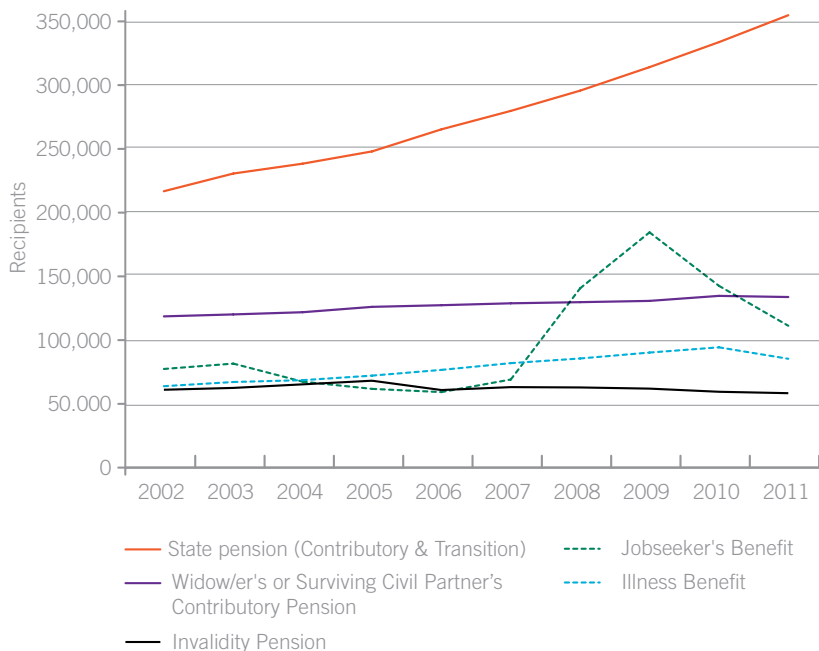
(1) Includes Basic weekly payments only. See Section F and H for details of other Supplementary Payments

(2) Funding Responsibility for FÁS Employment Programmes and associated Administration Costs transferred from Department of Education and Skills to Department of Social Protection from 1st January 2011.

(3) Tús commenced in early 2011.

(4) Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.

Graph A6: Recipients of Main Social Insurance Payments, 2002 to 2011



Graph A7: Recipients of Main Social Assistance Payments, 2002 to 2011

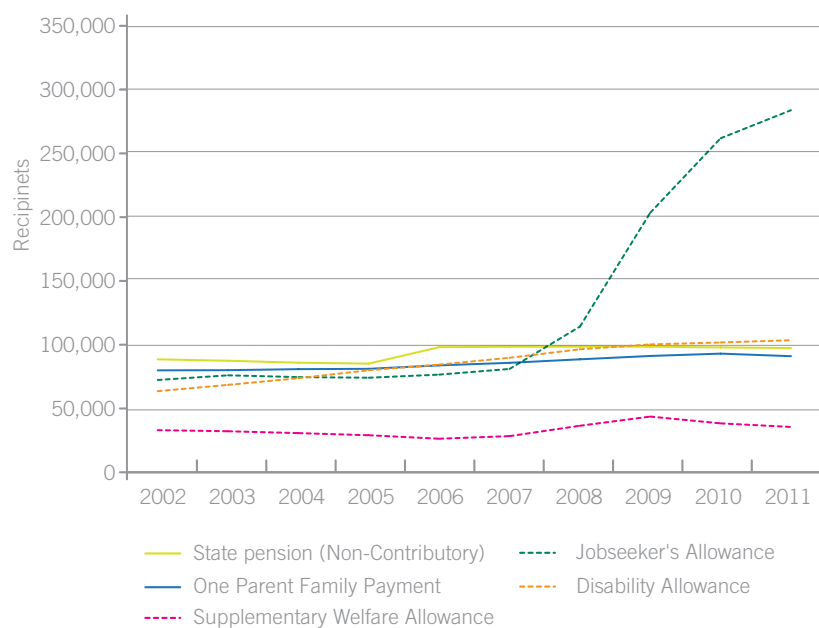


Table A11: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Assistance or Insurance, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	Recipients		Change 2011 over 2010
	2010	2011	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	97,179	96,749	-0.4%
Jobseeker's Allowance	261,850	283,929	8.4%
One-Parent Family Payment	92,326	90,307	-2.2%
Widows, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,977	1,959	-0.9%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	487	409	-16.0%
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	37,413	34,597	-7.5%
Farm Assist	10,714	11,333	5.8%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	6,021	4,820	-19.9%
Back to Education Allowance	21,147	24,666	16.6%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	851	182	-78.6%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed First Year	5,011	5,617	12.1%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	2,947	5,134	74.2%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	161	180	11.8%
Community Employment Programme ⁽²⁾	0	22,589	100.0%
Tús - Community Work Placement Scheme ⁽³⁾	0	2,077	100.0%
Rural Social Scheme ⁽⁴⁾	0	2,537	100.0%
Blind Pension	1,485	1,496	0.7%
Carer's Allowance	50,577	51,666	2.2%
Disability Allowance	101,111	102,866	1.7%
Family Income Supplement	28,223	28,876	2.3%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	429	441	2.8%
Rent Allowance	179	159	-11.2%
Total Social Assistance	720,088	772,589	7.3%
State Pension (Contributory)	280,419	296,995	5.9%
State Pension (Transition)	10,206	12,110	18.7%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	114,579	115,762	1.0%
Death Benefit Pension	633	628	-0.8%
Jobseeker's Benefit	123,457	96,044	-22.2%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	8,372	8,071	-3.6%
Maternity Benefit	23,456	23,947	2.1%
Adoptive Benefit	53	45	-15.1%
Health and Safety Benefit	60	61	1.7%
Illness Benefit	81,253	73,397	-9.7%
Injury Benefit	835	776	-7.1%
Invalidity Pension	50,766	49,792	-1.9%
Disablement Benefit	13,721	13,993	2.0%
Interim Illness Benefit	374	327	-12.6%
Carer's Benefit	1,642	1,637	-0.3%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	919	955	3.9%
Total Social Insurance	710,745	694,540	-2.3%
Grand Total	1,430,833	1,467,129	2.5%

(1) Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and H for details of other Supplementary Payments

(2) Funding Responsibility for FÁS Employment Programmes and associated Administration Costs transferred from Department of Education and Skills to Department of Social Protection from 1st January 2011.

(3) Tús commenced in early 2011.

(4) Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.

Table A12: Number of Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Historic Scheme Group, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	Beneficiaries		Change 2011 over 2010
	2010	2011	
State Pension (Contributory)	348,144	366,340	5.2%
State Pension (Transition)	12,850	15,013	16.8%
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	100,676	100,299	-0.4%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	8,032	6,372	-20.7%
Total Older People	469,702	488,024	3.9%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	126,023	127,072	0.8%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,977	1,959	-0.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	9,765	9,152	-6.3%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	487	409	-16.0%
One-Parent Family Payment	244,977	239,507	-2.2%
Total Widows, Widowers or Surviving Civil Partners and One-Parent Families	383,229	378,099	-1.3%
Maternity Benefit	23,456	23,947	2.1%
Health and Safety Benefit	64	69	7.8%
Adoptive Benefit	53	45	-15.1%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	2,084	2,143	2.8%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	986	1,032	4.7%
Total Child Related Payments	26,643	27,236	2.2%
Illness Benefit	118,401	106,528	-10.0%
Invalidity Pension	73,560	71,983	-2.1%
Injury Benefit	1,185	1,130	-4.6%
Interim Illness Benefit	504	433	-14.1%
Disablement Benefit	15,039	14,580	-3.1%
Death Benefit Pension	761	748	-1.7%
Disability Allowance	134,788	137,469	2.0%
Carer's Benefit	3,631	3,634	0.1%
Carer's Allowance	81,377	83,126	2.1%
Blind Pension	2,184	2,028	-7.1%
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	431,430	421,659	-2.3%
Jobseeker's Benefit	176,231	135,491	-23.1%
Jobseeker's Allowance	457,220	497,646	8.8%
Total Jobseeker's Supports	633,451	633,137	-0.0%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	1,673	332	-80.2%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed First Year	11,165	12,669	13.5%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	6,713	11,642	73.4%
Back to Education Allowance	29,820	37,099	24.4%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	161	180	11.8%
Family Income Supplement	90,463	94,157	4.1%
Farm Assist	25,369	26,909	6.1%
Community Employment Programme ⁽²⁾	0	42,438	100%
Tús - Community Work Placement Scheme ⁽³⁾	0	4,342	100%
Rural Social Scheme ⁽⁴⁾	0	5,419	100%
Total Employment Supports	165,364	235,187	42.2%
Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽¹⁾	69,430	64,783	-6.7%
Total Supplementary Welfare Allowance	69,430	64,783	-6.7%
Rent Allowance	179	159	-11.2%
Total Miscellaneous Payments	179	159	-11.2%
Grand Total	2,179,428	2,248,284	3.2%

(1) Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and H for details of other Supplementary Payments.

(2) Funding Responsibility for FÁS Employment Programmes and associated Administration Costs transferred from Department of Education and Skills to Department of Social Protection from 1st January 2011.

(3) Tús commenced in early 2011.

(4) Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.

Table A13: Number of Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	Beneficiaries		Change 2011 over 2010
	2010	2011	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	100,676	100,299	-0.4%
State Pension (Contributory)	348,144	366,340	5.2%
State Pension (Transition)	12,850	15,013	16.8%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	126,023	127,072	0.8%
Death Benefit Pension	761	748	-1.7%
Total Pensions	588,454	609,472	3.6%
Jobseeker's Allowance	457,220	497,646	8.8%
One-Parent Family Payment	244,977	239,507	-2.2%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,977	1,959	-0.9%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	487	409	-16.0%
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽¹⁾	69,430	64,783	-6.7%
Farm Assist	25,369	26,909	6.1%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	8,032	6,372	-20.7%
Jobseeker's Benefit	176,231	135,491	-23.1%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	9,765	9,152	-6.3%
Maternity Benefit	23,456	23,947	2.1%
Adoptive Benefit	53	45	-15.1%
Health and Safety Benefit	64	69	7.8%
Total Number of Beneficiaries of Working Age on Income Supports	1,017,061	1,006,289	-1.1%
Back to Education Allowance	29,820	37,099	24.4%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	1,673	332	-80.2%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance			
Self - Employed First Year	11,165	12,669	13.5%
Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	6,713	11,642	73.4%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	161	180	11.8%
Community Employment Programme ⁽²⁾	0	42,438	100%
Tús - Community Work Placement Scheme ⁽³⁾	0	4,342	100%
Rural Social Scheme ⁽⁴⁾	0	5,419	100%
Total Number of Beneficiaries of Working Age on Employment Supports	49,532	114,121	130.4%
Blind Pension	2,184	2,028	7.7%
Carer's Benefit	3,631	3,634	0.1%
Carer's Allowance	81,377	83,126	2.1%
Disability Allowance	134,788	137,469	2.0%
Disablement Benefit	15,039	14,580	-3.1%
Illness Benefit	118,401	106,528	-11.1%
Invalidity Pension	73,560	71,983	-2.1%
Injury Benefit	1,185	1,130	-4.6%
Interim Illness Benefit	504	433	-14.1%
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	430,669	420,911	-2.3%
Family Income Supplement	90,463	94,157	4.1%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	2,084	2,143	2.8%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	986	1,032	4.7%
Total Children & Families	93,533	97,332	4.1%
Rent Allowance	179	159	-11.2%
Grand Total	2,179,428	2,248,284	3.2%

(1) Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and H for details of other Supplementary Payments

(2) Funding Responsibility for FÁS Employment Programmes and associated Administration Costs transferred from Department of Education and Skills to Department of Social Protection from 1st January 2011.

(3) Tús commenced in early 2011.

(4) Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.

Table A14: Number of Beneficiaries of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Assistance or Insurance, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	Beneficiaries		Change 2011 over 2010
	2010	2011	
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	100,676	100,299	-0.4%
Jobseeker's Allowance	457,220	497,646	8.8%
One-Parent Family Payment	244,977	239,507	-2.2%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's			
Non-Contributory Pension	1,977	1,959	-0.9%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	487	409	-16.0%
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽¹⁾	69,430	64,783	-6.7%
Farm Assist	25,369	26,909	6.1%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	8,032	6,372	-20.7%
Back to Education Allowance	29,820	37,099	24.4%
Back to Work Allowance Employee	1,673	332	-80.2%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance			
Self - Employed First Year	11,165	12,669	13.5%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance			
Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	6,713	11,642	73.4%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	161	180	11.8%
Community Employment Programme ⁽²⁾	0	42,438	100.0%
Tús - Community Work Placement Scheme ⁽³⁾	0	4,342	100.0%
Rural Social Scheme ⁽⁴⁾	0	5,419	100.0%
Disability Allowance	134,788	137,469	2.0%
Blind Pension	2,184	2,028	-7.1%
Carer's Allowance	81,377	83,126	2.1%
Family Income Supplement	90,463	94,157	4.1%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	986	1,032	4.7%
Rent Allowance	179	159	-11.2%
Total Social Assistance	1,267,677	1,369,976	8.1%
State Pension (Contributory)	348,144	366,340	5.2%
State Pension (Transition)	12,850	15,013	16.8%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's			
Contributory Pension	126,023	127,072	0.8%
Death Benefit Pension	761	748	-1.7%
Jobseeker's Benefit	176,231	135,491	-23.1%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	9,765	9,152	-6.3%
Maternity Benefit	23,456	23,947	2.1%
Adoptive Benefit	53	45	-15.1%
Health and Safety Benefit	64	69	7.8%
Illness Benefit	118,401	106,528	-10.0%
Interim Illness Benefit	504	433	-14.1%
Injury Benefit	1,185	1,130	-4.6%
Invalidity Pension	73,560	71,983	-2.1%
Disablement Benefit	15,039	14,580	-3.1%
Carer's Benefit	3,631	3,634	0.1%
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	2,084	2,143	2.8%
Total Social Insurance	911,751	878,308	-3.7%
Grand Total	2,179,428	2,248,284	3.2%

(1) Includes Basic Weekly Payments only. See Section F and H for details of other Supplementary Payments.

(2) Funding Responsibility for FÁS Employment Programmes and associated Administration Costs transferred from Department of Education and Skills to Department of Social Protection from 1st January 2011.

(3) Tús commenced in early 2011.

(4) Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.

Table A15: Number of Recipients of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Sex, Payment Type and Assistance or Insurance, 2011

Type of Payment	2011				Total
	Male		Female		
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	35,839	37.0%	60,910	63.0%	96,749
Jobseeker's Allowance	203,947	71.8%	79,982	28.2%	283,929
One-Parent Family Payment	2,146	2.4%	88,161	97.6%	90,307
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,680	85.8%	279	14.2%	1,959
Deserted Wife's Allowance	0	0.0%	409	100.0%	409
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽¹⁾	20,551	59.4%	14,046	40.6%	34,597
Farm Assist	10,499	92.6%	834	7.4%	11,333
Pre-Retirement Allowance	3,675	76.2%	1,145	23.8%	4,820
Back to Education Allowance	14,390	58.3%	10,276	41.7%	24,666
Back to Work Allowance	68	37.4%	114	62.6%	182
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	8,421	78.3%	2,330	21.7%	10,751
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	82	45.6%	98	54.4%	180
Community Employment Programme	10,940	48.4%	11,649	51.6%	22,589
Tús - Community Placement Scheme	1,663	80.1%	414	19.9%	2,077
Rural Social Scheme	2,027	79.9%	510	20.1%	2,537
Disability Allowance	61,037	59.3%	41,829	40.7%	102,866
Blind Pension	788	52.7%	708	47.3%	1,496
Carer's Allowance	10,897	21.1%	40,769	78.9%	51,666
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	67	15.2%	374	84.8%	441
Family Income Supplement	12,064	41.8%	16,812	58.2%	28,876
Rent Allowance	48	30.2%	111	69.8%	159
Total Social Assistance	400,829	51.9%	371,760	48.1%	772,589
State Pension (Contributory)	194,433	65.5%	102,562	34.5%	296,995
State Pension (Transition)	7,765	64.1%	4,345	35.9%	12,110
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	15,905	13.7%	99,857	86.3%	115,762
Death Benefit Pension	6	1.0%	622	99.0%	628
Jobseeker's Benefit	51,135	53.2%	44,909	46.8%	96,044
Deserted Wife's Benefit	8,071	100.0%	0	0.0%	8,071
Maternity Benefit	0	0.0%	23,947	100.0%	23,947
Adoptive Benefit	0	0.0%	45	100.0%	45
Health and Safety Benefit	0	0.0%	61	100.0%	61
Illness Benefit	28,302	38.6%	45,095	61.4%	73,397
Injury Benefit	501	64.6%	275	35.4%	776
Interim Illness Benefit	192	58.7%	135	41.3%	327
Invalidity Pension	23,393	47.0%	26,399	53.0%	49,792
Disablement Benefit	10,989	78.5%	3,004	21.5%	13,993
Carer's Benefit	269	16.4%	1,368	83.6%	1,637
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	163	17.1%	792	82.9%	955
Total Social Insurance	341,124	49.1%	353,416	50.9%	694,540
Grand Total	741,953	50.6%	725,176	49.4%	1,467,129

(1) Gender breakdown is estimated

Table A16: Number of Recipients, Qualified Adults and Qualified Children of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Historic Scheme Group, 2011

Type of Payment	Recipients	Qualified Adults	Qualified Children		Other Children	Total
			Full Rate	Half Rate ⁽¹⁾		
State Pension (Contributory)	296,995	66,609	1,359	1,377	0	366,340
State Pension (Transition)	12,110	2,572	157	174	0	15,013
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	96,749	3,012	434	104	0	100,299
Pre-Retirement Allowance	4,820	1,233	245	74	0	6,372
Total Older People	410,674	73,426	2,195	1,729	0	488,024
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	115,762	0	11,310	0	0	127,072
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,959	0	0	0	0	1,959
Deserted Wife's Benefit	8,071	0	1,081	0	0	9,152
Deserted Wife's Allowance	409	0	0	0	0	409
One-Parent Family Payment	90,307	0	149,200	0	0	239,507
Total Widows, Widowers or Surviving Civil Partners and One-Parent Families	216,508	0	161,591	0	0	378,099
Maternity Benefit	23,947	0	0	0	0	23,947
Adoptive Benefit	45	0	0	0	0	45
Health and Safety Benefit	61	1	2	5	0	69
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	955	0	0	0	1,188	2,143
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	441	0	0	0	591	1,032
Total Child Related Payments	25,449	1	2	5	1,779	27,236
Illness Benefit	73,397	7,894	9,807	15,430	0	106,528
Invalidity Pension	49,792	7,728	4,474	9,989	0	71,983
Injury Benefit	776	95	137	122	0	1,130
Interim Illness Benefit	327	33	45	28	0	433
Disablement Benefit	13,993	161	140	286	0	14,580
Death Benefit Pension	628	0	120	0	0	748
Disability Allowance	102,866	8,737	18,137	7,729	0	137,469
Carer's Benefit	1,637	0	57	1,940	0	3,634
Carer's Allowance	51,666	0	2,541	28,919	0	83,126
Blind Pension	1,496	127	264	141	0	2,028
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	296,578	24,775	35,722	64,584	0	421,659
Jobseeker's Benefit	96,044	9,771	14,841	14,835	0	135,491
Jobseeker's Allowance	283,929	65,480	110,217	38,020	0	497,646
Total Jobseeker's Supports	379,973	75,251	125,058	52,855	0	633,137
Back to Work Allowance Employee	182	17	89	44	0	332
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed First Year	5,617	2,216	3,775	1,061	0	12,669
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	5,134	1,885	3,507	1,116	0	11,642
Back to Education Allowance	24,666	2,322	7,099	3,012	0	37,099
Part-Time Job Incentive scheme	180	0	0	0	0	180
Family Income Supplement	28,876	0	0	0	65,281	94,157
Farm Assist	11,333	5,213	8,129	2,234	0	26,909
Community Employment Programme ⁽⁴⁾	22,589	2,988	16,861	0	0	42,438
Tús - Community Work Placement Scheme	2,077	665	1,130	470	0	4,342
Rural Social Scheme	2,537	1,065	1,736	81	0	5,419
Total Employment Supports	103,191	16,371	42,326	8,018	65,281	235,187
Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽²⁾	34,597	7,906	22,280	0	0	64,783
Total Supplementary Welfare Allowance	34,597	7,906	22,280	0	0	64,783
Rent Allowance	159	0	0	0	0	159
Total Miscellaneous Payments	159	0	0	0	0	159
Grand Total⁽³⁾	1,467,129	197,730	389,174	127,191	67,060	2,248,284

(1) Where each Spouse/Civil Partner/Cohabitant 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.

(2) Includes basic weekly payments only.

(3) 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.

(4) A breakdown of Full Rate and Half Rate children is not available.

Table A17: Number of Recipients, Qualified Adults and Qualified Children of Weekly Social Welfare Payments by Programme, 2011

Type of Payment	Recipients	Qualified Adults	Qualified Children		Other Children	Total
			Full Rate	Half Rate ⁽¹⁾		
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	96,749	3,012	434	104	0	100,299
State Pension (Contributory)	296,995	66,609	1,359	1,377	0	366,340
State Pension (Transition)	12,110	2,572	157	174	0	15,013
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	115,762	0	11,310	0	0	127,072
Death Benefit Pension	628	0	120	0	0	748
Total Pensions	522,244	72,193	13,380	1,655	0	609,472
Jobseeker's Allowance	283,929	65,480	110,217	38,020	0	497,646
One-Parent Family Payment	90,307	0	149,200	0	0	239,507
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,959	0	0	0	0	1,959
Deserted Wife's Allowance	409	0	0	0	0	409
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽²⁾	34,597	7,906	22,280	0	0	64,783
Farm Assist	11,333	5,213	8,129	2,234	0	26,909
Pre-Retirement Allowance	4,820	1,233	245	74	0	6,372
Jobseeker's Benefit	96,044	9,771	14,841	14,835	0	135,491
Deserted Wife's Benefit	8,071	0	1,081	0	0	9,152
Maternity Benefit	23,947	0	0	0	0	23,947
Adoptive Benefit	45	0	0	0	0	45
Health and Safety Benefit	61	1	2	5	0	69
Total Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports	555,522	89,604	305,995	55,168	0	1,006,289
Back to Education Allowance	24,666	2,322	7,099	3,012	0	37,099
Back to Work Allowance Employee	182	17	89	44	0	332
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed First Year	5,617	2,216	3,775	1,061	0	12,669
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance Self - Employed Years 2 - 4	5,134	1,885	3,507	1,116	0	11,642
Part-Time Job Incentive scheme	180	0	0	0	0	180
Community Employment Programme ⁽⁴⁾	22,589	2,988	16,861	0	0	42,438
Tús - Community Work Placement Scheme	2,077	665	1,130	470	0	4,342
Rural Social Scheme	2,537	1,065	1,736	81	0	5,419
Total Recipients of Working Age on Employment Supports	62,982	11,158	34,197	5,784	0	114,121
Disability Allowance	102,866	8,737	18,137	7,729	0	137,469
Blind Pension	1,496	127	264	141	0	2,028
Carer's Allowance	51,666	0	2,541	28,919	0	83,126
Illness Benefit	73,397	7,894	9,807	15,430	0	106,528
Injury Benefit	776	95	137	122	0	1,130
Invalidity Pension	49,792	7,728	4,474	9,989	0	71,983
Disablement Benefit	13,993	161	140	286	0	14,580
Interim Illness Benefit	327	33	45	28	0	433
Carer's Benefit	1,637	0	57	1,940	0	3,634
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	295,950	24,775	35,602	64,584	0	420,911
Family Income Supplement	28,876	0	0	0	65,281	94,157
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	955	0	0	0	1,188	2,143
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	441	0	0	0	591	1,032
Total Children	30,272	0	0	0	67,060	97,332
Rent Allowance	159	0	0	0	0	159
Grand Total⁽³⁾	1,467,129	197,730	389,174	127,191	67,060	2,248,284

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

(2) Includes Basic Weekly Payments only.

(3) 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

(4) A breakdown of Children is not available - Full Rate -Half Rate.

Table A18: Number of Persons in each Social Insurance Class, 2009 and 2010

Insurance Class	Insured for	Number insured					
		2009 ⁽¹⁾			2010 ⁽²⁾		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
A	All Benefits ⁽³⁾	1,148,204	1,112,101	2,260,305	1,106,604	1,097,171	2,203,775
B	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pensions, Bereavement Grant Guardian's Payment (Contributory), Carer's Benefit and limited Injuries Benefits.	15,344	11,724	27,068	13,722	11,060	24,782
C	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pensions, Bereavement Grant, Carer's Benefit and Guardian's Payment (Contributory).	673	76	749	606	62	668
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.	31,561	42,449	74,010	28,277	39,784	68,061
E	All benefits except Jobseeker's Benefit, Bereavement Grant and Occupational Injuries Benefits.	142	31	173	136	29	165
H	All benefits on discharge. Treatment Benefit, Bereavement Grant, Carer's Benefit and Widow/er's (Contributory) Pension (in certain cases) during service Occupational Injuries Benefits.	8,104	426	8,530	7,543	415	7,958
J ⁽⁴⁾	Occupational Injuries Benefits.	15,991	16,134	32,125	22,517	16,838	39,355
K	No Social Insurance benefits. Class K consists of the Health Contribution.	25,938	10,425	36,363	24,129	9,149	33,278
M	Occupational Injuries Benefits in certain circumstances.	112,354	76,776	189,130	123,978	82,785	206,763
P	Treatment Benefit and limited Jobseeker's and Illness Benefits.	21	0	21	21	0	21
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.	282,450	89,829	372,279	254,862	85,756	340,618
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.	2,187	1,380	3,567	2,144	1,348	3,492
	Total	1,642,969	1,361,351	3,004,320	1,584,539	1,344,397	2,928,936

(1) Revised figures

(2) Provisional figures

(3) This includes 301,732 and 346,240 people in 2009 and 2010 respectively in receipt of credited contributions.

(4) Class J includes FÁS and other trainees.

Note: The figures for 2010 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 2011 is not yet processed.

Graph A8: Analysis of Insured Population, 2010

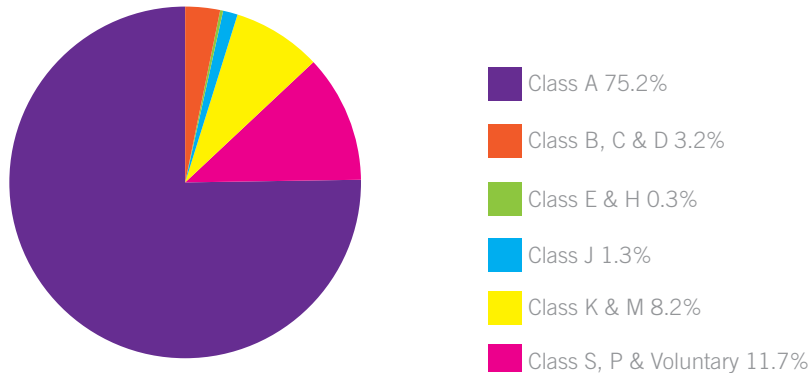


Table A19: Number of Insured Persons, 2001 to 2010

Year	Insured Population	Index
2001 ⁽¹⁾	2,410,265	100.0
2002	2,503,671	103.9
2003	2,662,148	110.5
2004	2,752,162	114.2
2005	2,880,190	119.5
2006	3,014,487	125.1
2007	3,134,643	130.1
2008	3,133,924	130.0
2009 ⁽²⁾	3,004,320	124.6
2010 ⁽³⁾	2,928,936	121.5

(1) Short Tax Year

(2) Revised

(3) Provisional

Table A20: Social Welfare Weekly Rates of Payment from January 2011

Type of Payment	Personal	Qualified	
		Adult	Child
	€	€	€
SOCIAL INSURANCE			
Long Term			
State Pension (Contributory / Transition) ⁽¹⁾	230.30	153.50	29.80
Invalidity Pension ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	193.50	138.10	29.80
Widow's, Widower's Or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension / Deserted Wife's Benefit ⁽⁴⁾	193.50	0	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	161.00	0	0
Death Benefit Pension	218.50	0	29.80
Disablement Benefit	219.00	0	0
Short Term			
Illness / Jobseeker's Benefit	188.00	124.80	29.80
Carer's Benefit	205.00	0	29.80
SOCIAL ASSISTANCE			
Long Term			
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	219.00	144.70	29.80
Widow's, Widower's Or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	188.00	0	29.80
Deserted Wife's Allowance	188.00	0	29.80
One-Parent Family Payment	188.00	0	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	161.00	0	0
Carer's Allowance ⁽⁵⁾	204.00	0	29.80
Jobseeker's Allowance (Long Term)	188.00	124.80	29.80
Pre-Retirement Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Disability Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Farm Assist	188.00	124.80	29.80
Short Term			
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	186.00	124.80	29.80
OTHER PAYMENTS			
Living Alone Allowance	7.70	0	0
Over 80 Allowance	10.00	0	0
Island Allowance	12.70	0	0
Child Benefit (Monthly) - 1 st & 2 nd Child	140.00	0	0
- 3 rd Child	167.00	0	0
- 4 th & Other Children	177.00	0	0

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

(2) If Invalidity Pensioner is age 65 a rate of €230.30 is payable.

(3) If Qualified Adult is age 66 or over a rate of €206.30 is payable.

(4) If Recipient is aged 66 or over a rate of €230.30 is payable.

(5) If Recipient is aged 66 or over a rate of €239.00 is payable.

Table A21: Social Welfare Weekly Rates of Payment from January 2012

Type of Payment	Personal €	Qualified	
		Adult €	Child €
SOCIAL INSURANCE			
Long Term			
State Pension (Contributory / Transition) ⁽¹⁾	230.30	153.50	29.80
Invalidity Pension ^{(2) (3)}	193.50	138.10	29.80
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension / Deserted			
Wife's Benefit ⁽⁴⁾	193.50	0	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	161.00	0	0.00
Death Benefit Pension	218.50	0	29.80
Disablement Benefit	219.00	0	0.00
Short Term			
Illness / Jobseeker's Benefit	188.00	124.80	29.80
Carer's Benefit	205.00	0	29.80
SOCIAL ASSISTANCE			
Long Term			
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	219.00	144.70	29.80
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	188.00	0	29.80
Deserted / Prisoner's Wife's Allowance	188.00	0	29.80
One-Parent Family Payment	188.00	0	29.80
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	161.00	0	0
Carer's Allowance ⁽⁵⁾	204.00	0	29.80
Jobseeker's Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Pre-Retirement Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Disability Allowance	188.00	124.80	29.80
Farm Assist	188.00	124.80	29.80
Rural Social Scheme	208.00	124.80	29.80
Short Term			
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	186.00	124.80	29.80
Tús	208.00	124.80	29.80
OTHER PAYMENTS			
Living Alone Allowance	7.70	0	0
Over 80 Allowance	10.00	0	0
Island Allowance	12.70	0	0
Child Benefit (monthly) - 1 st & 2 nd Child	140.00	0	0
- 3 rd Child	148.00	0	0
- 4 th & other Children	160.00	0	0

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

(2) If Invalidity Pensioner is age 65 a rate of €230.30 is payable.

(3) If qualified adult is age 66 or over a rate of €206.30 is payable.

(4) If Recipient is 66 or over a rate of €230.30 is payable.

(5) If Recipient is aged 66 or over a rate of €239.00 is payable.

Table A22: Index of Short-Term Rates of Payment and Consumer Price Index, 2002 to 2011

Year	Single Person	Couple	Couple with 2 children including Child Benefit	Couple with 4 children including Child Benefit	Consumer Price Index ⁽¹⁾
2002	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2003	105.1	117.2	119.5	121.2	103.5
2004	113.5	126.6	127.2	128.1	105.7
2005	125.3	139.7	138.4	138.2	108.4
2006	139.6	155.7	151.3	148.8	112.7
2007	156.4	174.5	170.6	167.8	118.1
2008	166.5	185.8	181.2	178.1	123.0
2009	172.0	191.9	187.2	183.7	117.4
2010	165.0	184.1	181.7	179.7	116.4
2011	158.3	176.6	173.8	171.8	119.3

(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 A23: Index of Long-Term Rates of Payment and Consumer Price Index, 2002 to 2011

Year	Single Person	Couple	Couple with 2 children including Child Benefit	Couple with 4 children including Child Benefit	Consumer Price Index ⁽¹⁾
2002	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2003	106.8	106.8	106.0	105.6	103.5
2004	113.6	113.6	111.8	110.8	105.7
2005	121.7	121.8	119.1	117.6	108.4
2006	131.2	131.3	127.1	124.5	112.7
2007	142.1	142.1	137.9	135.0	118.1
2008	151.6	151.6	146.8	143.5	123.0
2009	156.3	156.4	151.5	147.9	117.4
2010	156.3	156.4	151.5	148.0	116.4
2011	156.3	156.4	150.2	146.0	119.3

(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 over €6.092 million in 2011. This represents an increase of 3.3% on 2010.

The overall number of payments in respect of pensions rose by 19,228 in 2011, an increase of 3.8% on 2010. The number of people in receipt of a contributory pension (State Pension (Contributory) and State Pension (Transition)) based on social insurance contributions rose by 18,480 while the number of people in receipt of the means tested State Pension (Non-Contributory) decreased by 430. The number of people in receipt of Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Partner's Pension (Contributory) increased by 1,183 in 2011. The number of Death Benefit Pensions in payment decreased by 5 during 2011.

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.

Graph B1: Number of Recipients of State Pensions, 2002 to 2011**Table B1: Expenditure on Older People by Payment Type, 2010 and 2011**

Payment Type	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2011 over 2010
	€000	€000	%
Social Assistance			
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	977,293	971,566	-0.6%
Social Insurance			
State Pension (Contributory)	3,451,503	3,622,767	5.0%
State Pension (Transition)	108,194	132,396	22.4%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	1,335,584	1,337,868	0.2%
Death Benefit	7,778	7,977	2.6%
Bereavement Grant	18,292	19,440	6.3%
Total	5,898,644	6,092,014	3.3%

(1) Provisional

Table B2: Expenditure on Older People by Payment Type, 2002 to 2011

Year	State Pension (Non-Contributory) ⁽¹⁾	State Pension (Contributory) ⁽¹⁾	State Pension (Transition) ⁽¹⁾	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory) ⁽¹⁾	Death Benefit	Bereavement Grant	Total
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
2002	537,308	868,529	803,413	761,539	5,558	12,224	2,988,571
2003	565,006	946,902	898,981	826,135	5,813	12,288	3,255,125
2004	599,988	1,050,348	983,706	906,449	6,185	13,190	3,559,866
2005	631,299	1,152,849	1,060,052	998,524	6,523	13,572	3,862,819
2006	727,782	1,580,896	857,627	1,094,884	7,047	12,686	4,280,922
2007	920,167	2,754,749	79,070	1,204,979	7,574	16,673	4,983,212
2008	972,765	3,117,855	92,089	1,299,039	8,036	17,851	5,507,635
2009	1,000,546	3,367,733	104,976	1,353,391	8,207	18,889	5,853,742
2010	977,293	3,451,503	108,194	1,335,584	7,778	18,292	5,898,644
2011 ⁽²⁾	971,566	3,622,767	132,396	1,337,868	7,977	19,440	6,092,014

(1) See note on scheme changes and comparability of data in the introduction to this section

(2) Provisional.

Table B3: Number of Recipients by Type of State Pension, 2002 to 2011

Year	State Pension (Non-Contributory) ⁽¹⁾	State Pension (Contributory) ⁽¹⁾	State Pension (Transition) ⁽¹⁾	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	Death Benefit	Total
2002	87,823	105,295	83,055	102,494	668	379,335
2003	86,733	113,970	86,509	103,831	664	391,707
2004	85,172	118,383	88,870	105,338	652	398,415
2005	84,454	124,611	91,047	109,017	647	409,776
2006	97,404	139,724	91,086	110,146	646	439,006
2007	97,726	237,599	5,851	111,460	647	453,283
2008	97,784	250,117	7,242	112,237	651	468,031
2009	97,798	265,102	8,378	113,108	637	485,023
2010	97,179	280,419	10,206	114,579	633	503,016
2011	96,749	296,995	12,110	115,762	628	522,244

(1) See note on scheme changes and comparability of data in the introduction to this section

Table B4: Number of Recipients of State Pensions by Type of Pension and Number of Qualified Adults and Children, 2011

Dependency Status	State Pension (Non-Contributory)	State Pension (Contributory)	State Pension (Transition)	Widow's, Widower's, or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	Total
Personal Rate only	93,584	229,276	9,399	108,878	441,137
With Qualified Adult under 66	3,012	18,246	2,284	0	23,542
With Qualified Adult over 66	0	48,363	288	0	48,651
1 full rate Qualified Child	226	824	91	3,841	4,982
2 full rate Qualified Children	57	181	26	2,013	2,277
3 full rate Qualified Children	24	32	2	775	833
4 full rate Qualified Children	4	15	2	194	215
5 full rate Qualified Children	0	1	0	46	47
6+ full rate Qualified Children	1	2	0	15	18
1 half rate Qualified Child	49	791	102	0	942
2 half rate Qualified Children	15	195	24	0	234
3 half rate Qualified Children	7	49	8	0	64
4 half rate Qualified Children	1	8	0	0	9
5 half rate Qualified Children	0	2	0	0	2
6+ half rate Qualified Children	0	1	0	0	1
Recipients with Qualified Child allowances	384	2,101	255	6,884	9,624
Percentage of recipients with Qualified Child Allowances	0.40%	0.71%	2.11%	5.95%	1.85%
Total Number of Qualified Adults	3,012	66,609	2,572	0	72,193
Total Number of Children ⁽¹⁾	538	2,736	331	11,310	14,915

(1) 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 B5: Number of Recipients of State Pensions by Type of Pension, Age and Sex, 2011

Age Group	State Pension (Non-Contributory)		State Pension (Contributory)		State Pension (Transition)		Total	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Under 70 years	7,979	10,950	60,246	33,748	7,765	4,345	75,990	49,043
70 to 74 years	8,760	13,025	55,861	26,189	0	0	64,621	39,214
75 to 79 years	6,980	12,623	42,767	20,868	0	0	49,747	33,491
80 to 84 years	6,415	11,161	23,660	12,926	0	0	30,075	24,087
85 to 89 years	4,063	8,236	9,129	6,162	0	0	13,192	14,398
90 to 94 years	1,382	3,766	2,399	2,135	0	0	3,781	5,901
95 years and over	260	1,149	371	534	0	0	631	1,683
Total	35,839	60,910	194,433	102,562	7,765	4,345	238,037	167,817
Overall Total	96,749		296,995		12,110		405,854	

Table B6: Number of Recipients of Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Widows or Surviving Civil Partner	Widowers or Surviving Civil Partner	Total
Under 25 years	3	0	3
25 to 29 years	44	6	50
30 to 34 years	203	42	245
35 to 39 years	514	167	681
40 to 44 years	1,031	371	1,402
45 to 49 years	2,069	727	2,796
50 to 54 years	3,704	1,370	5,074
55 to 59 years	5,899	2,251	8,150
60 to 64 years	9,099	3,228	12,327
65 to 69 years	11,924	2,480	14,404
70 to 74 years	14,871	1,972	16,843
75 to 79 years	17,233	1,483	18,716
80 years and over	33,263	1,808	35,071
Total	99,857	15,905	115,762

Table B7: Number of Recipients of Death Benefit by Age and Sex, 2011.

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	0	0	0
25 to 29 years	0	1	1
30 to 34 years	0	3	3
35 to 39 years	1	8	9
40 to 44 years	0	17	17
45 to 49 years	0	22	22
50 to 54 years	1	44	45
55 to 59 years	0	60	60
60 to 64 years	1	89	90
65 to 69 years	0	89	89
70 to 74 years	1	87	88
75 to 79 years	1	85	86
80 years and over	4	114	118
Total	9	619	628

Table B8: Number of Recipients of Living Alone Allowance, Over 80 Allowance and Island Allowance by Pension Type, 2011

Pension Type	Living Alone Allowance	Over 80 Allowance	Island Allowance
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	33,058	36,432	257
State Pension (Contributory)	59,093	57,316	134
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	48,076	35,071	51
Death Benefit	215	118	0
Total	140,442	128,937	442

Table B9: Number of Recipients of State Pensions by Type of Payment and County, 2011

County	State Pension (Non-Contributory)	State Pension (Contributory)	State Pension (Transition)	Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension (Contributory)	Death Benefit Pension
Carlow	1,201	3,153	116	1,348	12
Cavan	2,661	3,439	132	1,583	10
Clare	3,713	5,939	333	2,631	10
Cork	10,509	29,714	1,248	12,976	93
Donegal	6,764	7,680	367	3,359	20
Dublin	12,252	78,065	3,493	30,089	137
Galway	7,692	11,183	530	5,031	13
Kerry	5,291	7,783	314	3,544	23
Kildare	1,902	8,692	494	4,027	23
Kilkenny	2,216	4,817	197	2,082	15
Laois	1,674	3,257	126	1,564	5
Leitrim	1,368	1,878	98	988	6
Limerick	4,277	11,256	487	5,039	33
Longford	1,397	2,073	92	991	7
Louth	2,104	7,535	298	2,919	20
Mayo	6,016	6,890	324	3,371	13
Meath	2,469	7,896	376	3,393	19
Monaghan	2,086	2,999	141	1,380	11
Offaly	1,626	3,860	164	1,810	13
Roscommon	2,514	3,268	153	1,546	15
Sligo	2,037	3,838	201	1,687	5
Tipperary	4,746	9,415	323	4,381	47
Waterford	2,511	7,066	372	3,063	14
Westmeath	1,866	4,642	187	2,224	14
Wexford	3,871	8,426	347	3,541	19
Wicklow	1,955	7,910	388	3,145	16
Others	31	44,321	809	8,050	15
Total	96,749	296,995	12,110	115,762	628

SECTION C
WORKING AGE INCOME SUPPORTS

Section C: Working Age Income Supports

Expenditure and Recipients

Expenditure on Working Age Income Supports decreased by 7.3% overall in 2011. Lower recipient numbers accounted for some of the decrease (11,712 or 0.2% lower, mainly due to the reduction in the number of recipients of Jobseeker's Benefit numbers), though the reduction in working age income support rates in 2011 combined with a marked reduction in Redundancy and Insolvency Payments (33.3% lower) accounts for the bulk of the reduced expenditure.

The payment type in this programme group with both the largest expenditure and number of recipients is Jobseeker's Allowance. At the end of 2011 there were 283,929 recipients. Expenditure in 2011 was nearly €2,975 million which represented an increase of 5.9% over 2010.

The number of recipients of Deserted Wife's Benefit and Deserted Wife's Allowance fell by 301 and 78 respectively during 2011, while recipients of Pre-Retirement Allowance fell by 1,201. It should be noted that these schemes are closed to new entrants.

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, 2010 and 2011

Payment Type	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2011 over 2010
	€000	€000	
Social Assistance			
Jobseeker's Allowance	2,809,381	2,974,987	5.9%
One-Parent Family Payment	1,110,328	1,088,897	-1.9%
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	19,252	18,173	-5.6%
Deserted Wife's Allowance	5,020	4,211	-16.1%
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	206,570	174,349	-15.6%
Farm Assist	110,931	113,724	2.5%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	77,850	59,942	-23.0%
Exceptional Needs & Urgent Needs Payments	69,420	62,228	-10.4%
Other Supplements ⁽²⁾	13,391	12,766	-4.7%
Humanitarian Aid	1,045	359	-65.6%
Social Insurance			
Jobseeker's Benefit	1,285,438	927,105	-27.9%
Deserted Wife's Benefit	93,387	85,828	-8.1%
Maternity Benefit	323,938	309,143	-4.6%
Adoptive Benefit	891	1,075	20.7%
Health & Safety Benefit	588	643	9.4%
Redundancy & Insolvency Payments	490,304	326,892	-33.3%
Treatment Benefits	51,473	23,042	-55.2%
Total	6,669,207	6,183,364	-7.3%

(1) Provisional

(2) Includes Heating, Diet and Travel

Table C2: Expenditure on Working Age Income Supports by Payment Type, 2002 to 2011

Payment Type	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
Jobseeker's Allowance	511,985	565,952	613,817	667,483	768,560	875,092	1,158,851	2,004,556	2,809,381	2,974,987
One-Parent Family Payment	613,035	660,586	694,835	751,102	834,262	962,425	1,067,158	1,121,344	1,110,328	1,088,897
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	116,493	116,834	122,300	126,944	103,688	19,921	21,181	21,275	19,252	18,173
Deserted Wife's Allowance	10,238	10,605	10,967	11,468	10,547	6,897	6,624	6,038	5,020	4,211
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	145,125	160,488	158,572	162,368	139,189	155,204	189,440	240,871	206,570	174,349
Farm Assist	58,571	62,806	66,343	67,284	71,085	78,686	84,881	93,297	110,931	113,724
Pre-Retirement Allowance	87,028	89,077	94,726	102,879	113,063	124,490	117,666	96,606	77,850	59,942
Prisoner's Wife's Allowance ⁽²⁾	12	13	15	14	13	16	7	6	0	0
Exceptional Needs & Urgent Needs Payments	55,431	55,431	51,319	56,513	61,138	69,828	82,254	75,210	69,420	62,228
Other Supplements ⁽³⁾	12,519	15,043	14,568	13,392	13,533	13,835	14,286	14,214	13,391	12,766
Humanitarian Aid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	605	1,045	359
Jobseeker's Benefit	423,487	477,129	455,586	418,085	455,073	544,931	928,844	1,733,816	1,285,438	927,105
Deserted Wife's Benefit	88,150	89,234	89,749	90,620	94,621	100,710	104,618	100,130	93,387	85,828
Maternity Benefit	99,129	107,336	121,571	132,412	180,801	257,896	315,878	331,289	323,938	309,143
Adoptive Benefit	578	532	609	709	818	1,333	1,644	1,247	891	1,075
Health & Safety Benefit	217	213	143	293	353	503	576	619	588	643
Redundancy and Insolvency	58,713	97,636	147,643	150,347	170,012	188,178	202,264	350,398	490,304	326,892
Treatment Benefits	60,796	63,348	70,454	65,497	95,020	91,602	97,124	100,179	51,473	23,042
Total	2,341,507	2,572,263	2,713,217	2,817,410	3,111,776	3,491,547	4,393,296	6,291,700	6,669,207	6,183,364

(1) Provisional

(2) See note on scheme changes and data comparability in the introduction to this section

(3) Includes Heating, Diet Travel etc.

Table C3: Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Payment Type, 2002 to 2011

Type of Payment	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Jobseeker's Allowance	71,566	75,249	73,840	75,357	75,801	80,268	113,603	203,248	261,850	283,929
One-Parent Family Payment	79,195	79,296	80,103	80,366	83,081	85,084	87,840	90,484	92,326	90,307
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	16,318	15,783	15,284	14,729	2,168	2,138	2,042	1,998	1,977	1,959
Deserted Wife's Allowance	1,582	1,523	1,456	1,382	766	693	617	550	487	409
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	32,073	31,217	29,748	28,066	25,330	27,379	35,546	42,775	37,499	34,597
Farm Assist	8,514	8,707	8,350	7,824	7,480	7,376	7,496	8,972	10,714	11,333
Pre-Retirement Allowance	11,222	10,957	11,228	11,058	11,149	10,624	8,872	7,468	6,021	4,820
Prisoner's Wife's Allowance	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	0
Other Supplements ⁽¹⁾	19,599	22,598	19,844	18,990	18,495	17,744	17,043	15,763	15,206	14,244
Jobseeker's Benefit	66,416	70,090	57,699	52,754	50,542	59,167	121,763	160,122	123,457	96,044
Deserted Wife's Benefit	11,794	11,339	10,769	10,180	9,760	9,395	9,056	8,737	8,372	8,071
Maternity Benefit	9,603	10,594	10,356	10,791	14,898	20,948	23,421	23,294	23,456	23,947
Adoptive Benefit	53	33	26	32	59	55	68	64	53	45
Health & Safety Benefit	32	12	21	26	37	39	69	49	60	61
Total	327,969	337,400	318,726	311,557	299,568	320,912	427,437	563,524	581,478	569,766

(1) Includes: Diet, Other, Travel etc.

Table C4: Number of Recipients of Maternity Benefit, Health and Safety Benefit and Adoptive Benefit, 2010 and 2011

Payment	2010	2011	Change 2010 over 2009
Recipients at 31st December:			
Maternity Benefit	23,456	23,947	2.1%
Health and Safety Benefit	60	61	1.7%
Adoptive Benefit	53	45	-15.1%
Awards during the year:			
Maternity Benefit	48,806	48,827	0.0%

Table C5: Number of Recipients of Deserted Wife's Benefit and Deserted Wife's Allowance by Age, 2011

Age	Deserted Wife's Benefit	Deserted Wife's Allowance
Under 25 years	0	0
25 to 29 years	0	0
30 to 34 years	0	0
35 to 39 years	3	0
40 to 44 years	109	0
45 to 49 years	733	21
50 to 54 years	1,580	52
55 to 59 years	1,935	104
60 to 64 years	1,858	185
65 years and over	1,853	47
Total	8,071	409

Table C6: Number of Recipients of Deserted Wife's Benefit by Number of Qualified Children, 2011

Type of Recipient	Deserted Wife's Benefit
Without Qualified Children	7,256
With 1 child	609
With 2 children	161
With 3 children	36
With 4 children	5
With 5 children	3
With 6 or more children	1
Total Recipients	8,071
Total Recipients with Children	815
% of Recipients with Children	10.1%
Total Number of Children	1,081

Table C7: Number of Recipients of Deserted Wife's Benefit in Receipt of Living Alone Allowance, Over 80 Allowances and Island Allowance, 2011

Pension Type	Living Alone Allowance	Over 80 Allowance	Island Allowance
Deserted Wife's Benefit	748	135	0
Total	748	135	0

Table C8: Number of Recipients of Farm Assist by Age & Sex, 2011

Age of Recipient	Farm Assist		
	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	67	2	69
25 to 29 years	176	5	181
30 to 34 years	421	26	447
35 to 39 years	786	59	845
40 to 44 years	1,218	112	1,330
45 to 49 years	1,510	143	1,653
50 to 54 years	1,785	155	1,940
55 to 59 years	1,927	167	2,094
60 to 64 years	2,219	141	2,360
65+ years	390	24	414
Total	10,499	834	11,333

Table C9: Number of Recipients of Jobseeker's Benefit and Jobseeker's Allowance by Number of Dependants, 2011

Number of Recipients	Jobseeker's Benefit	Jobseeker's Allowance	Total
Personal Rate only	76,419	194,516	270,935
With Qualified Adult only	3,514	17,948	21,462
1 full rate Qualified Child	3,207	18,497	21,704
2 full rate Qualified Children	2,802	18,213	21,015
3 full rate Qualified Children	1,289	9,583	10,872
4 full rate Qualified Children	393	3,828	4,221
5 full rate Qualified Children	89	1,298	1,387
6+full rate Qualified Children	23	710	733
1 half rate Qualified Child	3,707	7,753	11,460
2 half rate Qualified Children	3,108	6,733	9,841
3 half rate Qualified Children	1,146	3,259	4,405
4 half rate Qualified Children	278	1,134	1,412
5 half rate Qualified Children	56	319	375
6+ half rate Qualified Children	13	138	151
Total Number of Recipients	96,044	283,929	379,973
Number of Recipients with a Qualified Adult	9,771	65,480	75,251
Percentage of Recipients with a Qualified Adult	10.2%	23.1%	19.8%
Number of Recipients with Qualified Children	16,111	71,465	87,576
Percentage of Recipients with Qualified Children	16.8%	25.2%	23.0%
Total Number of Children⁽¹⁾	29,676	148,237	177,913

(1) A Qualified Child Increase is payable at half rate where a spouse/civil partner/cohabitant, living with the recipient, is not a Qualified Adult. Each spouse/civil partner/cohabitant may receive half the Qualified Child Increase where both are in receipt of a social welfare payment. This can result in some double counting of the actual number of Qualified Children.

Graph C1: Recipients of Jobseeker's Benefit and Jobseeker's Allowance, 2002 to 2011

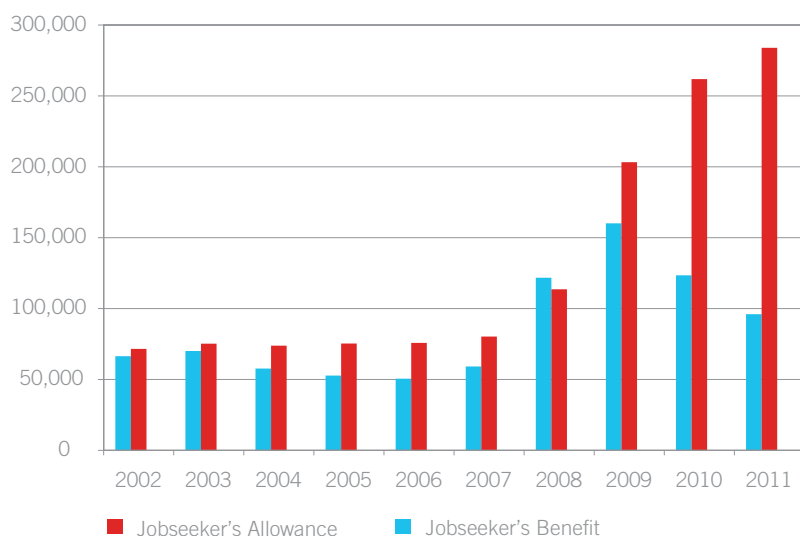


Table C10: Number of Recipients of One-Parent Family Payment by Status of Parent, Age and Sex, 2011

Age Group	Unmarried Parent, Separated Parent		Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner		Total	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Under 25 years	24	11,776	0	8	24	11,784
25 to 29 years	100	17,431	0	28	100	17,459
30 to 34 years	221	17,582	4	73	225	17,655
35 to 39 years	333	15,479	13	135	346	15,614
40 to 44 years	478	12,579	21	164	499	12,743
45 to 49 years	427	7,988	34	182	461	8,170
50 to 54 years	255	3,357	25	118	280	3,475
55 to 59 years	131	990	20	67	151	1,057
60 to 64 years	40	173	12	20	52	193
65 years and over	5	7	3	4	8	11
Total	2,014	87,362	132	799	2,146	88,161
Overall Total	89,376		931		90,307	

Graph C2: Recipients of One-Parent Family Payment, 2002 to 2011

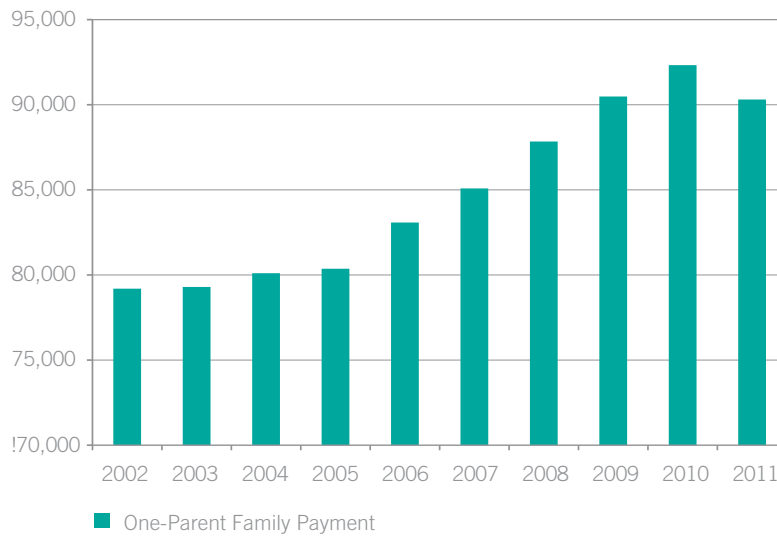


Table C11: Number of Recipients of One-Parent Family Payment by Status of Parent and Number of Children, 2011

Type of Recipient	Unmarried Parent, Separated Parent	Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner	Total ⁽¹⁾
With 1 child	50,160	448	50,608
With 2 children	25,599	243	25,842
With 3 children	9,416	147	9,563
With 4 children	2,962	50	3,012
With 5 children	827	24	851
With 6 or more children	287	14	301
Total Recipients	89,251	926	90,177

(1) Recipients of One-Parent Family Payment were not in receipt of a qualified child increase at December 2011. This is usually because their dependent child is now claiming a One-Parent Family Payment in their own right.

Table C12: Number of Recipients of Pre-Retirement Allowance by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Male	Female	Total
59	169	49	218
60	383	116	499
61	498	160	658
62	645	193	838
63	747	201	948
64	760	225	985
65	473	201	674
Total	3,675	1,145	4,820

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

Table C13: Number of Recipients of Pre-Retirement Allowance, Qualified Adults and Children, 2011

Dependency Status	Pre-Retirement Allowance
Personal Rate only	3,587
With Qualified Adult under 66	1,222
With Qualified Adult over 66	11
1 full rate Qualified Child	132
2 full rate Qualified Children	58
3 full rate Qualified Children	30
4 full rate Qualified Children	20
5 full rate Qualified Children	5
6+ full rate Qualified Children	0
1 half rate Qualified Child	30
2 half rate Qualified Children	22
3 half rate Qualified Children	6
4 half rate Qualified Children	4
5 half rate Qualified Children	5
6+ half rate Qualified Children	7
Recipients with Qualified Child allowances	319
Percentage of recipients with Qualified Child Allowances	6.62%
Total Number of Qualified Adults	1,233
Total Number of Children ⁽¹⁾	319

(1) 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 C14: Number of Recipients of Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Widows or Surviving Civil Partners	Widowers or Surviving Civil Partners	Total
Under 25 years	1	0	1
25 to 29 years	1	0	1
30 to 34 years	3	0	3
35 to 39 years	3	1	4
40 to 44 years	31	10	41
45 to 49 years	95	24	119
50 to 54 years	191	50	241
55 to 59 years	389	64	453
60 to 64 years	739	104	843
65 to 69 years	227	26	253
Total	1,680	279	1,959

Table C15: Number of Recipients of Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance and Other Supplements by Age and Sex, 2011

Age of Recipient	Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance			Other Supplements ⁽¹⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 20	895	830	1,725	41	54	95
20 - 24	2,347	2,038	4,385	143	308	451
25 - 29	2,753	2,203	4,956	224	469	693
30 - 34	2,985	1,971	4,956	405	600	1,005
35 - 39	2,739	1,864	4,603	507	551	1,058
40 - 44	2,401	1,379	3,780	554	505	1,059
45 - 49	1,991	1,210	3,201	549	508	1,057
50 - 54	1,615	1,025	2,640	551	494	1,045
55 - 59	1,399	844	2,243	590	538	1,128
60 - 64	1,184	538	1,722	770	739	1,509
65-69	212	111	323	647	721	1,368
70 plus	30	33	63	1,422	2,354	3,776
Total	20,551	14,046	34,597	6,403	7,841	14,244

(1) Includes Diet, Other, Travel, etc.

Table C16: Number of Recipients of Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance by Category, 2011

Interim Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance Payments	No of Payments
Pending Jobseeker's Allowance	10,154
Pending Jobseeker's Allowance Appeal	976
Pending Jobseeker's Benefit	704
Pending Jobseeker's Benefit Appeal	17
Pending Disability Allowance	6,455
Pending Illness Benefit	1,630
Pending Illness Benefit Appeal	203
Pending State Pension	208
Pending Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil Partner's Pension	80
Pending Carer's Allowance	504
Pending Occupational Injuries Benefit	30
Pending One- Parent Family Payment	2,750
Pending Other Social Welfare Payments	1,640
Sub-Total	25,351
Other Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance Payments	
Sick No Benefit	3,318
Other Increment to Scale	523
Other ⁽¹⁾	5,405
Sub-Total	9,246
Total	34,597

(1) 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.

Table C17: Expenditure on Exceptional Needs Payments, Other Exceptional Supplementary Welfare Allowance Payments and Urgent Needs Payments, 2011

Type of Payment	Expenditure €000	Total Expenditure €000
EXCEPTIONAL NEEDS PAYMENTS AND OTHER EXCEPTIONAL SWA PAYMENTS		
Housing		
New Accommodation Kit	8,796	
Household Appliances	5,387	
Rent Deposit	3,768	
Furniture	2,401	
Floor Covering	1,753	
Bedding	1,314	
Repair/maintenance	1,341	24,761
Clothing		
Adult Clothing	6,883	
Child Clothing	4,003	10,887
Funeral		
Funeral Expenses	5,116	
Burial Expenses	370	5,486
Child Related		
Pram/Buggy	1,012	
Cot	986	1,997
Bills		
Rent/Mortgage Interest Arrears	5,103	
Household	2,568	7,671
Illness		
Confinement Costs	818	
Hospital Requirements	374	1,192
General		
Other	3,665	
Travel Costs	2,196	
Insufficient Means	2,595	
Heating	1,301	
Lost/Stolen Money	145	
Household Budget	144	10,045
URGENT NEEDS PAYMENTS	190	190
Grand Total		62,228

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

Table C18: Number of Recipients of Working Age on Income Supports by Payment Type and County, 2011

County	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	Other Supplements ⁽¹⁾	Jobseeker's Benefit	Deserted Wife's Benefit	Maternity Benefit	Health & Safety Benefit
Carlow	4,779	1,837	22	7	526	95	79	170	1,343	97	280	2
Cavan	5,153	992	38	4	369	407	75	144	1,461	69	342	1
Clare	6,705	1,396	51	10	448	643	96	306	2,451	152	553	0
Cork	26,928	5,747	186	43	3,535	957	613	1,839	10,303	771	2,761	8
Donegal	15,407	3,056	170	20	1,045	1,491	424	139	4,059	163	635	0
Dublin	67,422	35,835	353	144	10,009	35	925	5,320	22,707	3,262	7,045	18
Galway	14,201	2,971	147	25	2,153	1,137	208	365	4,510	240	1,346	2
Kerry	10,367	2,840	123	11	723	819	189	310	4,919	187	608	3
Kildare	10,983	4,598	43	10	1,459	53	83	365	4,041	310	1,212	4
Kilkenny	5,092	935	28	10	531	154	84	167	1,588	118	491	0
Laois	5,748	1,087	35	1	557	177	68	232	1,789	72	405	0
Leitrim	2,349	503	19	3	136	377	30	28	756	29	153	0
Limerick	13,392	3,764	83	14	1,757	247	230	1,638	4,427	346	951	3
Longford	3,681	913	25	2	270	258	52	108	890	72	163	3
Louth	12,161	4,064	45	10	966	84	196	188	3,613	340	613	3
Mayo	8,675	1,025	134	10	1,129	1,869	212	267	2,666	121	596	4
Meath	6,770	1,403	46	20	2,024	82	86	166	2,768	262	1,126	0
Monaghan	4,546	854	39	5	289	545	71	101	1,309	71	307	2
Offaly	6,034	994	23	5	448	133	58	235	2,103	93	364	2
Roscommon	2,398	535	40	4	759	433	46	207	835	55	295	0
Sligo	3,521	1,349	36	4	596	315	54	42	1,172	112	328	0
Tipperary	11,078	2,862	83	9	1,018	402	252	787	3,882	213	817	2
Waterford	9,501	2,522	40	6	1,000	96	186	326	3,070	225	556	0
Westmeath	6,488	1,762	34	9	604	193	51	140	2,150	144	390	0
Wexford	12,578	3,112	72	9	1,410	255	320	357	4,405	251	685	2
Wicklow	7,972	3,351	43	14	836	76	132	297	2,827	296	745	1
Others	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	180	1
Total	283,929	90,307	1,959	409	34,597	11,333	4,820	14,244	96,044	8,071	23,947	61

(1) Includes Diet, Other, Travel, etc.

SECTION D
WORKING AGE EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS

Section D: Working Age Employment Supports

Expenditure and Recipients

Expenditure on Working Age Employment Supports increased by 186.5% overall in 2011; when additional expenditure on FÁS Employment Supports, which were transferred to the Department in January 2011, is discounted the increase in expenditure for the other schemes was 45%.

The payment type in this programme group with the highest number of recipients is Back to Education Allowance. At the end of 2011 there were 24,666 recipients. Expenditure in 2011 was nearly €202 million which represented an increase of 12% over 2010.

The number of recipients of Back to Work Allowance Employee decreased by 669 while the number in receipt of Back to Work Enterprise Allowance increased by 2,793 during 2011.

Over 27,000 people engaged in employment programmes during 2012, the Community Employment Programme formerly run by FÁS had the highest number of participants (22,589). The Rural Social Scheme and TÚS had 2,537 and 2,077 participants respectively.

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

- (a) *FÁS 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 (€425 million).*
- (b) *Expenditure and recipients for the Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in January, 2011.*
- (c) *Tús commenced in early 2011 and JobBridge commenced in June, 2011.*

Table D1: Expenditure on Employment Supports by Payment Type, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2011 over 2010
	€000	€000	
Back to Work Allowance/ Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	87,960	114,583	30.3%
Back to Education Allowance	179,851	201,519	12.0%
Part-time Job Incentive Scheme	1,157	1,032	-10.8%
Rural Social Schemes	13,872	46,835	237.6%
Community Services Programme	8,198	45,452	454.4%
Community Employment ⁽²⁾	0	349,396	100.0%
Other Employment Programmes ⁽²⁾	0	48,180	100.0%
Integration Supports ⁽²⁾	0	27,158	100.0%
Others ⁽³⁾	9,124	25,742	182.1%
Total	300,162	859,897	186.5%

(1) Provisional

(2) Responsibility for the expenditure in relation to FÁS Employment and Community Service Schemes transferred to the Department in January 2011 and information prior to 2011 is not available for inclusion in this report.

(3) 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.

Graph D1: Expenditure on Employment Supports, 2002 to 2011

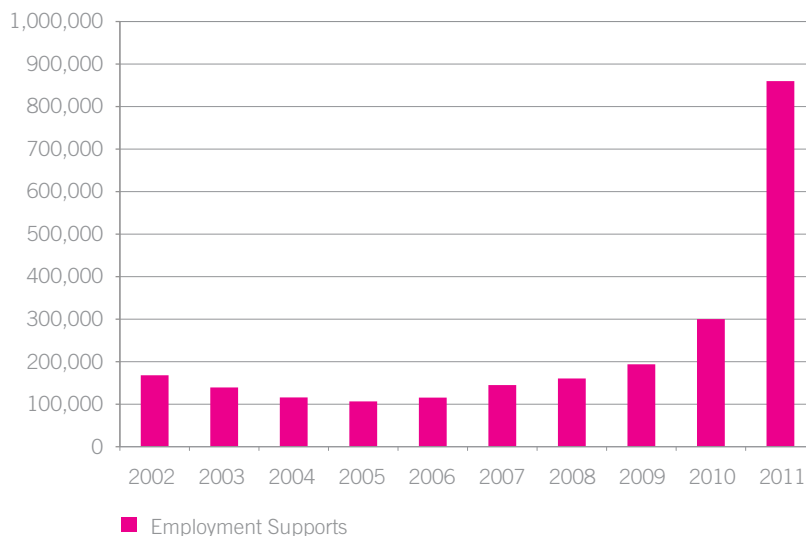


Table D2: Expenditure on Employment Supports by Payment Type, 2002 to 2011

Year	Back to Work Allowance/ Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	Back to Education Allowance	Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	Rural Social Schemes	Community Services Programme	Community Employment (2)	Other Employment Programmes (2)	Integration Supports (2)	Others	Total
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
2002	129,087	35,392	1,126	0	0	0	0	0	2,463	168,068
2003	97,396	38,276	1,056	0	0	0	0	0	2,679	139,407
2004	65,712	44,160	1,243	0	0	0	0	0	4,841	115,956
2005	53,563	46,695	1,295	0	0	0	0	0	5,060	106,613
2006	56,497	52,070	1,277	0	0	0	0	0	5,708	115,552
2007	71,072	64,142	1,320	0	0	0	0	0	8,490	145,024
2008	73,169	77,136	1,324	0	0	0	0	0	8,902	160,531
2009	76,434	107,316	1,445	0	0	0	0	0	8,693	193,888
2010	87,960	179,851	1,157	13,872	8,198	0	0	0	9,124	300,162
2011 ⁽¹⁾	114,583	201,519	1,032	46,835	45,452	349,396	48,180	27,158	25,742	859,897

(1) Provisional

(2) Responsibility for the expenditure in relation to FÁS Employment and Community Service Schemes transferred to the Department in January 2011 and information prior to 2011 is not available for inclusion in this report.

Table D3: Number of Recipients of Employment Supports by Payment Type, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	2010	2011	Change 2011 over 2010
Back to Work Allowance	851	182	-78.6%
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	7,958	10,751	35.1%
Back to Education Allowance	21,147	24,666	16.6%
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	161	180	11.8%
Community Employment Programme ⁽¹⁾	0	22,589	
Tús-Community Work Placement Scheme ⁽²⁾	0	2,077	
Rural Social Scheme ⁽³⁾	0	2,534	
Total	30,117	60,445	100.7%

(1) Responsibility for the expenditure in relation to FÁS Employment and Community Service Schemes transferred to the Department in January 2011 and information prior to 2011 is not available for inclusion in this report.

(2) Tús commenced in early 2011

(3) Rural Social Scheme transferred to the Department of Social Protection in September 2010.

Table D4: Number of Recipients of Back to Work Allowance by Employment Status and Sex, 2011

Employment Status	Males	Females	Total
Employees	68	114	182
Self-Employed	8,421	2,330	10,751
Total	8,489	2,444	10,933

Table D5: Number of Recipients of Back To Work Enterprise Allowance, Back to Work Allowance, Back to Education Allowance by Age and Sex, 2011

Age of Recipient	Back to Work Enterprise Allowance		Back to Work Allowance		Back to Education Allowance	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Under 25 years	232	92	2	1	3,695	2,990
25 to 29 years	1,398	407	6	8	4,045	2,472
30 to 34 years	1,807	570	13	17	2,651	1,617
35 to 39 years	1,597	437	9	22	1,584	1,074
40 to 44 years	1,338	366	14	19	1,033	831
45 to 49 years	962	240	9	12	659	626
50 to 54 years	598	124	5	15	389	420
55 to 59 years	339	75	8	12	234	177
60 to 64 years	141	19	0	8	100	68
65+ years	9	0	2	0	0	1
Total	8,421	2,330	68	114	14,390	10,276

Table D6: Number of People on the Live Register referred to FÁS Under the National Employment Action Plan (NEAP), 2002 to 2011

Year	Number referred to FÁS	FÁS		Total Number who Left the Live Register ⁽¹⁾
		Number Interviewed by FÁS	Number who left Live Register after FÁS Interview	
2002	32,427	20,695	13,180	19,811
2003	43,595	28,646	16,218	25,184
2004	52,328	35,136	20,199	30,133
2005	40,718	28,714	17,191	24,282
2006	37,959	25,186	14,702	22,280
2007	51,452	32,124	18,224	32,359
2008	60,260	40,933	19,844	33,919
2009	86,782	65,600	39,052	53,638
2010	87,011	65,633	39,502	55,193
2011	81,898	65,446	40,433	53,334

(1) With or without FÁS intervention.

Data is obtained from FÁS in respect of referrals processed in each year, and outcomes as viewed at the end of January of the following year.

Table D7: Recipients of Short Term Enterprise Allowance, Work Placement Programme Graduate, Work Placement Programme Open and JobBridge Internship Programme by Age and Sex, 2011

Age of Recipients	Short Term Enterprise Allowance ⁽¹⁾			Work Placement Programme Graduate			Work Placement Programme Open			JobBridge Internship Programme ⁽²⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	16	10	26	59	69	128	8	16	24	408	407	815
25 to 29 years	95	60	155	60	63	123	22	13	35	512	413	925
30 to 34 years	227	91	318	47	29	76	9	8	17	298	217	515
35 to 39 years	178	69	247	35	16	51	3	1	4	176	112	288
40 to 44 years	157	43	200	27	11	38	1	1	2	126	66	192
45 to 49 years	129	36	165	13	7	20	2	0	2	81	58	139
50 to 54 years	76	15	91	9	3	12	1	0	1	35	35	70
55 to 59 years	59	9	68	4	2	6	1	1	2	20	22	42
60 to 64 years	13	2	15	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	4	6
65 years and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	950	335	1,285	255	200	455	47	40	87	1,658	1,335	2,993

(1) Short Term Enterprise Allowance scheme was introduced from 1st May 2009.

(2) JobBridge Internship Programme was introduced in June 2011

Table D8: Number of Recipients of Employment Supports by County, 2011

County	Back To Work Allowance Self-employed	Back to Work Allowance Employee	Back to Education Allowance	Short-Term Enterprise Allowance	Part-Time Job Incentive ⁽¹⁾
Carlow	219	3	503	23	0
Cavan	173	4	311	8	3
Clare	290	1	451	34	3
Cork	1,023	21	2,166	117	14
Donegal	395	9	1,366	20	2
Dublin	2,690	55	6,205	452	66
Galway	711	5	1,749	79	9
Kerry	450	6	923	34	6
Kildare	357	7	920	58	3
Kilkenny	243	6	447	15	2
Laois	165	1	337	21	1
Leitrim	109	2	179	8	2
Limerick	447	5	1,242	55	3
Longford	128	1	265	6	0
Louth	407	6	973	35	2
Mayo	297	9	842	22	21
Meath	381	5	317	27	1
Monaghan	104	5	380	9	2
Offaly	173	7	349	21	0
Roscommon	132	0	213	9	3
Sligo	168	5	529	22	0
Tipperary	344	4	503	41	12
Waterford	412	0	385	44	12
Westmeath	229	3	948	42	2
Wexford	300	7	594	36	10
Wicklow	404	5	815	47	1
Others	0	0	754	0	0
Total	10,751	182	24,666	1,285	180

(1) Based on the number of recipients at each Social Welfare Local Office

SECTION E
ILLNESS, DISABILITY AND CARERS

Section E: Illness, Disability and Carers

Expenditure and Recipients

Expenditure on Illness Benefit and Invalidity Pension decreased by 7.1% and 5.2% respectively. Expenditure on Disability Allowance decreased by 1.8%. There are now 102,866 recipients of the scheme.

Expenditure on Carer's Allowance increased by over €5.4 million in 2011, an increase of 1.1%. There are now 51,666 recipients of the Scheme, an increase of 1,089 year on year.

Graph E1 and Table E4 show details of the numbers of Carer's Allowance recipients from 2002 to 2011.

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 decreased by 5 to 1,637 in 2011.

There were 21,951 recipients of a half-rate Carer's Allowance at the end of 2011.

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.

Graph E1: Number of Recipients of Carer's Allowance by Sex, 2002 to 2011

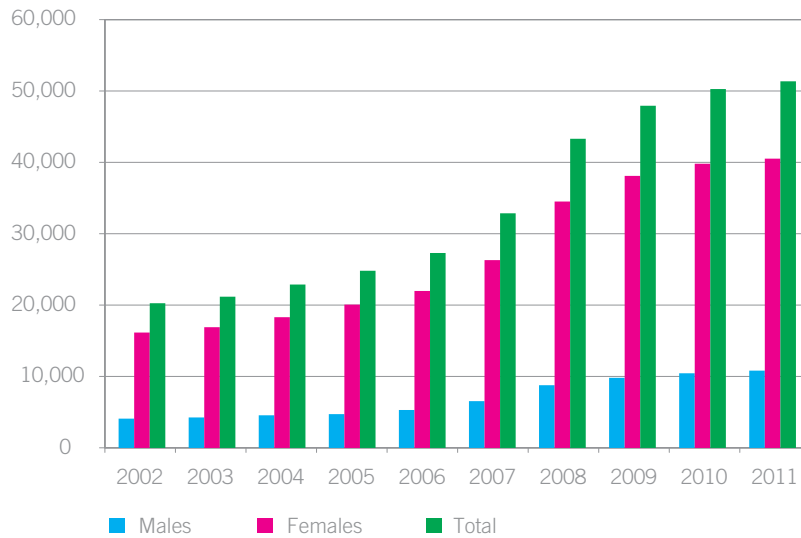


Table E1: Expenditure on Illness, Disability and Carers by Payment Type, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2010 over 2011
	€000	€000	
Social Assistance			
Disability Allowance	1,109,505	1,089,178	-1.8%
Blind Pension	16,032	15,625	-2.5%
Carer's Allowance	501,789	507,193	1.1%
Domiciliary Care Allowance	95,710	99,924	4.4%
Respite Care Grant	128,097	130,392	1.8%
Social Insurance			
Illness Benefit	942,571	875,641	-7.1%
Injury Benefit	17,884	16,508	-7.7%
Invalidity Pension	639,994	606,512	-5.2%
Disablement Benefit	78,822	77,460	-1.7%
Medical Care	360	317	-11.9%
Carer's Benefit	26,288	24,474	-6.9%
Total	3,557,052	3,443,224	-3.2%

(1) Provisional

Table E2: Expenditure on Illness, Disability and Carers by Payment Type, 2002 to 2011

Year	Disability Allowance	Blind Pension ⁽¹⁾	Carer's Allowance	Domiciliary Care Allowance ⁽⁵⁾	Respite Care Grant ⁽⁴⁾	Illness Benefit	Injury Benefit	Invalidity Pension ⁽¹⁾	Disability Benefit	Medical Care	Carer's Benefit ⁽²⁾	Total
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
2002	407,585	14,221	160,042		0	385,297	11,842	403,617	59,393	225	5,807	1,448,029
2003	463,608	14,816	183,273		0	433,455	11,883	440,263	60,810	251	6,943	1,615,302
2004	544,489	15,868	210,277		0	479,611	13,598	487,375	62,599	275	7,698	1,821,790
2005	630,728	16,661	223,059		34,302	540,245	14,231	548,285	67,026	298	9,588	2,084,423
2006	738,431	16,964	284,584		50,458	627,642	16,123	602,414	72,526	292	16,688	2,426,122
2007	901,131	15,031	361,257		73,376	755,077	17,194	618,133	79,283	298	26,900	2,847,680
2008	1,052,660	16,319	450,260		98,204	852,305	19,250	685,717	84,443	282	33,666	3,293,106
2009	1,142,769	16,277	502,469	31,017	99,200	919,783	18,143	681,642	85,677	309	30,204	3,527,490
2010	1,109,505	16,032	501,789	95,710	128,097	942,571	17,884	639,994	78,822	360	26,288	3,557,052
2011 ⁽³⁾	1,089,178	15,625	507,193	99,924	130,392	875,641	16,508	606,512	77,460	317	24,474	3,443,224

(1) See note on scheme changes in the introduction to this section

(2) Carer's Benefit was introduced in October 2000.

(3) Provisional

(4) Respite Care Grant was introduced in June 2005.

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

Table E3: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Payment Type, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	2010	2011	Change 2011 over 2010
Disability Allowance	101,111	102,866	1.7%
Blind Pension	1,485	1,496	0.7%
Carer's Allowance	50,577	51,666	2.2%
Illness Benefit	81,253	73,397	-9.7%
Injury Benefit	835	776	-7.1%
Interim Illness Benefit	374	327	-12.6%
Invalidity Pension	50,766	49,792	-1.9%
Disablement Benefit ^{(1) (2)(3)}	13,721	13,993	2.0%
Carer's Benefit	1,642	1,637	-0.3%
Total	301,764	295,950	-1.9%

(1) 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.

(2) 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. 889 persons were in receipt of an Incapacity Supplement payment at the end of 2011.

(3) Constant Attendance Allowance is paid as an increase to Disablement Pension where the degree of disablement is assessed at between 50% and 100% and the person has been certified as being in need of constant care and attention. 98 persons were in receipt of Constant Attendance Allowance at end of 2011.

Table E4: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments, 2002 to 2011

Year	Disability Allowance	Blind Pension ⁽¹⁾	Carer's Allowance	Illness Benefit	Injury Benefit	Interim Illness Benefit	Invalidity Pension ⁽¹⁾	Disablement Benefit ⁽²⁾	Carer's Benefit
2002	62,783	2,095	20,395	54,590	828	404	52,147	11,612	615
2003	67,720	2,061	21,316	57,464	821	295	53,414	11,898	639
2004	72,976	2,027	23,030	58,726	915	316	55,864	12,162	679
2005	79,253	1,985	24,970	61,845	908	355	58,352	12,475	867
2006	83,697	1,476	27,474	65,774	924	338	51,954	12,646	1,647
2007	89,048	1,474	33,067	70,404	900	440	53,956	12,874	2,080
2008	95,754	1,472	43,569	73,609	846	525	53,725	13,192	2,249
2009	99,576	1,467	48,223	77,665	726	318	52,922	13,520	1,917
2010	101,111	1,485	50,577	81,253	835	374	50,766	13,721	1,642
2011	102,866	1,496	51,666	73,397	776	327	49,792	13,993	1,637

(1) 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.

Table E5: Number of Recipients of Living Alone and Island Allowances by Payment Type, 2011

Payment Type	Living Alone Allowance	Island Allowance
Invalidity Pension	9,064	16
Blind Pension	263	5
Total	9,327	21

Table E6: Number of Recipients of Illness Benefit by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	425	659	1,084
25 to 29 Years	1,157	2,308	3,465
30 to 34 years	1,837	4,528	6,365
35 to 39 years	2,330	5,520	7,850
40 to 44 years	2,656	5,789	8,445
45 to 49 years	3,030	5,595	8,625
50 to 54 years	3,732	6,204	9,936
55 to 59 years	5,301	6,984	12,285
60 to 64 years	7,368	6,948	14,316
65 years and over	466	560	1,026
Total	28,302	45,095	73,397

Table E7: Number of Recipients of Invalidity Pension by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	1	3	4
25 to 29 years	21	44	65
30 to 34 years	158	247	405
35 to 39 years	451	707	1,158
40 to 44 years	857	1,563	2,420
45 to 49 years	1,711	3,000	4,711
50 to 54 years	3,185	4,631	7,816
55 to 59 years	5,527	6,174	11,701
60 to 65 years	11,482	10,030	21,512
Total	23,393	26,399	49,792

Table E8: Number of Recipients of Carer's Allowance, Carer's Benefit and Respite Care Grant by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Carer's Allowance			Carer's Benefit			Respite Care Grant ⁽¹⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	147	508	655	0	5	5	1	12	13
25 to 29 years	196	1,368	1,564	4	50	54	3	10	13
30 to 34 years	398	2,864	3,262	17	175	192	4	32	36
35 to 39 years	753	4,560	5,313	40	291	331	6	89	95
40 to 44 years	1,158	5,756	6,914	35	245	280	15	156	171
45 to 49 years	1,502	5,632	7,134	39	205	244	51	302	353
50 to 54 years	1,544	4,789	6,333	52	183	235	67	442	509
55 to 59 years	1,418	4,204	5,622	50	139	189	85	542	627
60 to 64 years	1,211	3,921	5,132	31	66	97	117	550	667
65 to 69 years	1,034	3,220	4,254	1	9	10	147	575	722
70 to 74 years	753	2,159	2,912	0	0	0	186	479	665
75 to 79 years	534	1,312	1,846	0	0	0	200	378	578
80 years and over	249	476	725	0	0	0	162	236	398
Total	10,897	40,769	51,666	269	1,368	1,637	1,044	3,803	4,847

(1) The number of recipients of Respite Care Grant reported are those who are not in receipt of any other Carer's payment (Carer's Allowance, Carer's Benefit and Domiciliary Care Allowance). There are approximately a further 65,000 Respite Care Grant recipients who qualify for payment automatically under the terms of the relevant scheme.

Table E9: Number of Recipients of Half Rate Carer's by Payment Type, 2011

Type of Payment	2011
State Pension Non-Contributory	1,960
Qualified Adult State Pension Non-Contributory	297
State Pension (Transition/ Contributory)	3,031
Qualified Adult State Pension (Transition/Contributory)	1,813
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	1,169
Jobseeker's Allowance Qualified Adult	1,318
One Parent Family Payment	4,289
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	80
Farm Assist	131
Qualified Adult Farm Assist	99
Pre - Retirement Allowance	106
Qualified Adult Pre-Retirement Allowance	29
Jobseeker's Benefit Qualified Adult	394
Deserted Wife's Benefit	309
Maternity Benefit	39
Adoptive Benefit	1
Health & Safety Benefit	3
Health & Safety Benefit Qualified Adult	3
Back to Work Qualified Adult	15
Back to Education	1
1/2 Rate Back to Work Self Employed	2
Disability Allowance	1,115
Qualified Adult Disability Allowance	1,422
Blind Pension	16
Qualified Adult Blind Pension	28
Illness Benefit	1,031
Qualified Adult Illness Benefit	327
Injury Benefit	17
Qualified Adult Injury Benefit	11
Invalidity Pension	1,155
Qualified Adult Invalidity Pension	1,146
Incapacity Benefit	0
Qualified Adult Incapacity Benefit	5
Others	589
Total	21,951

Table E10: Number of Recipients of Blind Pension by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	27	18	45
25 to 29 years	36	45	81
30 to 34 years	59	52	111
35 to 39 years	69	70	139
40 to 44 years	107	87	194
45 to 49 years	119	84	203
50 to 54 years	106	90	196
55 to 59 years	122	114	236
60 to 64 years	121	117	238
65 years	22	31	53
Total	788	708	1,496

Table E11: Number of Recipients of Disability Allowance by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	7,236	4,659	11,895
25 to 29 years	4,898	3,557	8,455
30 to 34 years	5,635	3,836	9,471
35 to 39 years	6,001	3,998	9,999
40 to 44 years	6,605	4,233	10,838
45 to 49 years	6,946	4,810	11,756
50 to 54 years	6,904	4,812	11,716
55 to 59 years	7,402	5,323	12,725
60+ years	9,410	6,601	16,011
Total	61,037	41,829	102,866

Table E12: Number of Recipients of Disablement Benefit and Incapacity Supplement by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Disablement Benefit			Incapacity Supplement ⁽¹⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	63	12	75	3	0	3
25 to 29 years	171	50	221	9	3	12
30 to 34 years	344	123	467	21	8	29
35 to 39 years	646	232	878	25	11	36
40 to 44 years	912	338	1,250	58	29	87
45 to 49 years	1,202	413	1,615	83	32	115
50 to 54 years	1,465	459	1,924	89	42	131
55 to 59 years	1,626	450	2,076	109	51	160
60 to 64 years	1,596	403	1,999	98	34	132
65 to 69 years	1,280	264	1,544	64	32	96
70 to 74 years	853	133	986	38	11	49
75 to 79 years	491	62	553	16	7	23
80 years and over	340	65	405	9	7	16
Total	10,989	3,004	13,993	622	267	889

(1) Incapacity Supplement is paid as a supplement to Disablement Pension.

Table E13: Number of Recipients of Injury Benefit and Interim Illness Benefit by Age and Sex, 2011

Age	Injury Benefit			Interim Illness Benefit ⁽¹⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 25 years	32	22	54	13	12	25
25 to 29 years	57	33	90	32	20	52
30 to 34 years	75	43	118	40	19	59
35 to 39 years	80	30	110	25	20	45
40 to 44 years	75	28	103	16	18	34
45 to 49 years	54	21	75	22	9	31
50 to 54 years	58	43	101	23	13	36
55 to 59 years	39	31	70	14	14	28
60 to 64 years	30	22	52	6	9	15
65 years	1	2	3	1	1	2
Total	501	275	776	192	135	327

(1) Interim Illness Benefit is payable to Injury Benefit claimants who satisfy the PRSI conditions for Illness Benefit while the Injury Benefit claim is being decided.

Table E14: Number of Recipients of Disablement Benefit by Degree of Disablement and by Sex, 2011⁽¹⁾

Type of Payment	Number of Recipients		
	Male	Female	Total
Disablement Benefit by Degree of Disablement ⁽²⁾:			
Under 20%	1,692	585	2,277
20%	2,402	894	3,296
30%	3,031	820	3,851
40%	1,730	389	2,119
50%	835	132	967
60%	526	83	609
70%	269	35	304
80%	211	37	248
90%	63	8	71
100%	230	21	251
Total	10,989	3,004	13,993

(1) Includes 889 Incapacity Supplement payments and 98 Constant Attendance Allowance payments. These payments are in addition to Disablement Benefit.

(2) The rate of Disablement Benefit depends on the degree of disablement, which is medically assessed. For assessments of up to 19% disablement, benefit will be paid as a single Gratuity, and from 20% upwards a pension is payable. In addition 1,059 Gratuities were paid.

Table E15: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Payment Type and Number of Dependants, 2011

Number of Recipients	Disability Allowance	Blind Pension	Carer's Allowance	Illness Benefit	Injury Benefit	Interim Illness Benefit	Incapacity Pension	Incapacity Supplement	Carer's Benefit	Total
Personal rate only	85,255	1,224	37,713	55,321	607	271	35,321	889	664	217,265
With Qualified Adult only	4,905	127	0	4,688	35	15	5,953	161	0	15,884
With 1 full rate Qualified Children	4,161	59	455	2,276	23	12	1,504	45	25	8,560
With 2 full rate Qualified Children	2,520	43	373	1,687	30	6	724	44	11	5,438
With 3 full rate Qualified Children	1,280	19	186	818	14	3	302	24	3	2,649
With 4 full rate Qualified Children	606	9	92	280	3	3	97	8	1	1,099
With 5 full rate Qualified Children	275	4	36	71	0	0	23	5	0	414
With 6+ full rate Qualified Children	194	1	30	34	0	0	18	14	0	291
With 1 half rate Qualified Children	1,569	34	3,604	3,333	29	8	2,936	78	266	11,857
With 2 half rate Qualified Children	1,135	20	4,631	3,154	20	8	1,985	90	356	11,399
With 3 half rate Qualified Children	595	15	2,748	1,298	8	0	713	78	221	5,676
With 4 half rate Qualified Children	249	3	1,241	328	6	1	157	40	65	2,090
With 5 half rate Qualified Children	128	2	367	85	1	0	47	0	11	641
With 6+ half rate Qualified Children	69	0	190	24	0	0	12	0	14	309
Total number of recipients	102,941	1,496	51,666	73,397	776	327	49,792	1,476	1,637	283,508
Recipients with Qualified Child increases	12,781	209	13,953	13,388	134	41	8,518	426	973	50,423
Percentage of recipients with Qualified Child increases	12.4%	14.0%	27.0%	18.2%	17.3%	12.5%	17.1%	28.9%	59.4%	17.8%
Total number of Qualified Adults	8,737	127	0	7,894	95	33	7,728	161	0	24,775
Total number of children ⁽¹⁾	25,866	405	31,460	25,237	259	73	14,463	426	1,997	100,186

(1) 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.

Table E16: Number of Families and Child Beneficiaries of Domiciliary Care Allowance, 2009 to 2011

Year	Families	Children
2009	24,046	26,000
2010	23,428	25,234
2011	24,101	25,914

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

Table E17: Number of Families Receiving Domiciliary Care Allowance by Number of Child Beneficiaries, 2010 and 2011

Number of Eligible Children in Family	2010	2011
1	21,774	22,434
2	1,513	1,532
3	131	124
4	9	11
5	1	0
Total	23,428	24,101
Total Number of Children in respect of whom Benefit is paid	25,234	25,914

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

Table E18: Number of Child Beneficiaries of Domiciliary Care Allowance by Age, 2010 and 2011.

Age	2010	2011
Under 1	295	292
1 under 2	708	721
2 under 3	891	870
3 under 4	1,166	1,110
4 under 5	1,336	1,401
5 under 6	1,530	1,530
6 under 7	1,721	1,702
7 under 8	1,786	1,888
8 under 9	1,991	1,901
9 under 10	2,091	2,072
10 under 11	2,037	2,183
11 under 12	2,024	2,120
12 under 13	2,012	2,093
13 under 14	1,887	2,060
14 under 15	1,826	1,952
15 under 16	1,813	1,863
16 under 17	120	156
Total	25,234	25,914

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

Table E19: Number of Recipients of Illness, Disability and Carer's Payments by Payment Type and County, 2011

County	Disability Allowance	Blind Pension	Carer's Allowance	Domiciliary Care Allowance	Respite Care Grant ⁽²⁾	Illness Benefit	Injury Benefit	Interim Illness Benefit	Incapacity Pension	Disability Benefit	Incapacity Supplement ⁽¹⁾	Carer's Benefit
Carlow	1,498	25	863	394	66	1,467	18	3	890	234	12	15
Cavan	1,364	16	826	323	69	1,172	12	8	593	195	12	26
Clare	2,469	24	1,351	638	198	1,517	21	5	1,023	311	23	41
Cork	12,625	129	5,944	3,488	586	9,384	83	30	6,632	1,983	112	197
Donegal	4,602	81	3,044	778	197	2,348	16	8	1,416	412	34	71
Dublin	25,721	401	9,689	5,431	1146	18,690	195	105	13,532	3,176	184	314
Galway	6,085	82	3,104	1,359	292	2,901	27	12	1,723	651	56	102
Kerry	4,018	54	2,224	962	211	1,923	20	11	1,360	368	25	92
Kildare	3,263	34	1,682	1,178	142	3,568	40	18	1,861	501	36	62
Kilkenny	1,927	41	1,037	492	83	1,238	11	4	830	276	13	35
Laois	1,635	29	813	393	96	1,099	19	6	712	195	18	30
Leitrim	733	17	489	181	33	637	5	4	398	110	8	16
Limerick	5,279	66	2,729	1,268	261	3,834	39	15	2,861	872	53	69
Longford	1,139	11	722	175	46	717	6	3	569	160	10	8
Louth	2,747	50	1,308	616	101	2,963	28	14	1,779	514	27	29
Mayo	3,548	63	2,304	627	171	2,011	31	14	1,206	372	36	78
Meath	2,449	44	1,425	942	139	3,190	32	14	1,409	553	33	78
Monaghan	1,245	15	735	239	51	1,054	8	4	522	173	11	25
Offaly	1,700	36	1,100	463	82	1,378	13	5	939	247	20	35
Roscommon	1,450	11	888	311	105	964	16	4	661	235	11	40
Sligo	1,778	49	915	324	78	1,054	7	3	705	199	19	41
Tipperary	4,681	61	2,546	906	241	2,351	37	12	1,930	629	45	48
Waterford	2,637	32	1,341	586	112	1,960	12	5	1,417	443	23	47
Westmeath	2,054	33	1,110	424	93	1,399	15	7	1,106	240	23	43
Wexford	3,537	58	2,165	845	148	2,277	42	6	1,772	419	23	58
Wicklow	2,682	34	1,312	751	99	2,011	21	6	1,277	341	14	36
Others	0	0	0	7	1	290	2	1	669	184	8	1
Total	102,866	1,496	51,666	24,101	4,847	73,397	776	327	49,792	13,993	889	1,637

⁽¹⁾ Incapacity Supplement is paid as a supplement to Disability Benefit

⁽²⁾ The number of recipients of Respite Care Grant reported are those who are not in receipt of any other Carer's payment (Carer's Allowance, Carer's Benefit and Domiciliary Care Allowance). There are approximately a further 65,000 Respite Care Grant recipients who qualify for payment automatically under the terms of the relevant scheme.

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 F15). 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 decreased by 4.1% in 2011. The breakdown of Child Benefit by family size shows that 77% of recipient families in 2011 have either one or two children. The equivalent percentage for 2002 was 74.9%. See Table F7 and Graph F1. The number of families receiving Child Benefit decreased by 5,901 to 597,333. The total number of children in respect of whom Child Benefit is paid increased by 12,062 to 1,136,065.

Expenditure on Child Benefit decreased by over €137 million in 2011, a decrease of 6.2% while Family Income Supplement expenditure increased by over €18.5 million, an increase of 10%. Expenditure on Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance rose by over €13.5 million in 2011, an increase of 17.5%.

Graph F1: Number of Families Receiving Child Benefit by number of Child Beneficiaries, 2002 to 2011

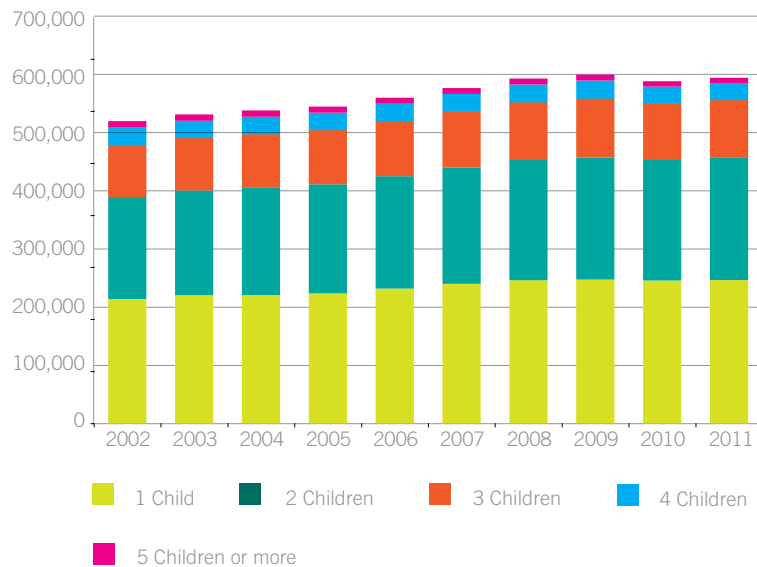


Table F1: Expenditure on Child Related Payments by Payment Type, 2010 and 2011

Payment Type	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2011 over 2010
	€000	€000	
Social Assistance			
Child Benefit	2,213,429	2,076,338	-6.2%
Family Income Supplement	185,998	204,543	10.0%
Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance	77,401	90,909	17.5%
School Meals	34,939	34,975	0.1%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	4,697	5,134	9.3%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Non-Contributory)	475	276	-41.9%
Social Insurance			
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	11,462	11,502	0.3%
Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant (Contributory)	6,455	6,228	-3.5%
Total	2,534,856	2,429,905	-4.1%

(1) Provisional

Table F2: Expenditure on Child Benefit, 2002 to 2011

Year	Expenditure
	€000
2002	1,462,793
2003	1,666,530
2004	1,765,117
2005	1,899,936
2006	2,056,925
2007	2,232,974
2008	2,453,957
2009	2,495,304
2010	2,213,429
2011 ⁽¹⁾	2,076,338

(1) Provisional

Table F3: Expenditure on Family Income Supplement, 2002 to 2011

Year	Family Income Supplement
	€000
2002	42,423
2003	45,360
2004	55,812
2005	72,152
2006	107,137
2007	140,020
2008	170,309
2009	167,133
2010	185,998
2011 ⁽¹⁾	204,543

(1) Provisional

Table F4: Expenditure on Guardian's Payment (Contributory) and Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory), 2002 to 2011

Year	Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)
	€000	€000
2002	11,694	4,494
2003	8,895	5,805
2004	9,659	6,223
2005	7,516	4,096
2006	8,815	4,832
2007	9,560	4,366
2008	14,373	7,147
2009	11,510	6,024
2010	11,462	4,697
2011 ⁽¹⁾	11,502	5,134

*(1) Provisional***Table F5: Number of Families and Child Beneficiaries of Child Benefit, 2002 to 2011**

Year	Families	Children
2002	522,441	1,019,551
2003	534,009	1,034,851
2004	540,911	1,051,005
2005	547,540	1,060,740
2006	562,860	1,083,980
2007	579,612	1,110,715
2008	596,108	1,141,938
2009	602,932	1,156,917
2010	591,432	1,124,003
2011	597,333	1,136,065

Table F6: Number of Child Beneficiaries of Child Benefit by Age, 2002 to 2011

Age (in years)	2002 ⁽²⁾	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Under 1 ⁽¹⁾	32,832	41,383	53,401	51,033	58,551	59,123	64,205	62,525	61,748	62,045
1 under 2	59,235	59,980	60,096	61,337	62,207	65,990	71,256	72,638	73,200	72,956
2 under 3	57,341	58,764	60,421	61,457	63,085	63,684	66,764	70,498	72,774	72,996
3 under 4	57,749	56,753	58,989	61,451	62,906	65,175	64,472	66,394	70,476	72,728
4 under 5	58,520	57,013	56,915	59,922	62,211	64,296	65,689	64,117	66,542	70,362
5 under 6	57,870	57,741	57,197	57,850	60,795	63,914	64,740	65,249	64,327	65,338
6 under 7	55,888	56,967	57,857	58,234	58,862	62,326	64,191	64,390	64,974	61,997
7 under 8	54,231	54,979	57,094	58,760	59,007	60,129	62,692	63,808	64,246	64,834
8 under 9	53,711	53,345	55,116	57,816	59,517	60,137	60,608	62,690	63,820	63,978
9 under 10	54,536	52,771	53,488	55,852	58,470	60,456	60,627	60,431	62,358	63,301
10 under 11	56,618	53,548	52,977	54,218	56,036	59,470	61,063	60,598	60,111	62,030
11 under 12	58,024	55,471	53,698	53,693	54,984	57,488	60,013	61,114	60,337	59,901
12 under 13	59,011	56,871	55,401	54,317	53,960	55,757	58,120	60,224	60,989	60,298
13 under 14	57,578	57,811	56,940	56,069	55,109	54,993	56,384	57,936	59,874	60,504
14 under 15	59,281	56,343	57,891	57,566	56,804	55,588	55,563	56,410	57,802	59,517
15 under 16	61,772	57,887	56,398	58,514	58,136	57,365	55,938	55,476	56,305	57,634
16 under 17	50,534	53,084	53,582	50,958	54,920	52,574	53,175	52,844	51,825	53,836
17 under 18	48,016	52,184	52,145	50,563	49,703	52,619	53,135	53,010	52,281	51,805
18 under 19	26,804	41,956	41,399	41,130	38,717	39,631	43,303	46,565	14	5
Total	1,019,551	1,034,851	1,051,005	1,060,740	1,083,980	1,110,715	1,141,938	1,156,917	1,124,003	1,136,065

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

(2) 2002 numbers understated because of processing delays which were rectified in the early months of 2003.

Table F7: Number of Families Receiving Child Benefit by Number of Child Beneficiaries, 2002 to 2011

Number of Eligible Children in Family	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
1	214,916	221,515	221,837	224,686	232,974	241,138	247,345	248,541	246,937	247,606
2	176,284	181,018	185,282	188,536	194,250	200,949	207,816	211,167	208,308	212,366
3	89,397	90,512	92,379	93,516	94,960	96,956	99,550	101,454	97,396	98,643
4	30,552	29,996	30,542	30,258	30,329	30,385	31,069	31,508	29,480	29,501
5	7,884	7,732	7,619	7,417	7,266	7,234	7,368	7,341	6,752	6,726
6	2,275	2,161	2,175	2,130	2,094	2,022	2,017	1,988	1,767	1,716
7	712	669	679	630	649	615	617	609	495	486
8	267	264	258	242	230	207	213	221	204	179
9	95	88	91	79	61	68	74	64	58	75
10	36	34	28	34	38	26	29	27	27	29
11	15	15	16	6	5	8	8	8	6	4
12	7	4	4	4	3	4	2	2	1	1
13	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	2	1	1
14	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	522,441	534,009	540,911	547,540	562,860	579,612	596,108	602,932	591,432	597,333
Total Number of Children in Respect of whom Benefit is paid	1,019,551	1,034,851	1,051,005	1,060,740	1,083,980	1,110,715	1,141,938	1,156,917	1,124,003	1,136,065

Table F8: Number of Families Receiving Family Income Supplement, 2002 to 2011

Year	Number of Families	Number of Child Beneficiaries
2002	12,043	26,531
2003	12,317	26,409
2004	14,727	29,991
2005	17,448	33,956
2006	21,800	43,861
2007	22,823	47,529
2008	27,798	58,019
2009	25,963	55,716
2010	28,223	62,240
2011	28,876	65,281

Table F9: Number of Recipients of Family Income Supplement by Age & Sex, 2011

Age	Males	Females	Total
Under 25 years	109	469	578
25 to 29 Years	954	2,344	3,298
30 to 34 years	2,327	3,550	5,877
35 to 39 years	2,905	3,878	6,783
40 to 44 years	2,792	3,330	6,122
45 to 49 years	1,828	2,115	3,943
50 to 54 years	807	880	1,687
55 to 59 years	251	226	477
60 to 64 years	86	20	106
65 years and over	5	0	5
Total	12,064	16,812	28,876

Table F10: Number of Families Receiving Family Income Supplement by Rate of Payment and Family Size, 2011

Weekly Rate	Family Size (Number of Children)								Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+	
20 - 25	1,309	693	286	55	9	0	0	0	2,352
26 - 50	2,173	1,053	369	133	15	0	0	0	3,743
51 - 75	2,792	1,470	626	179	18	1	0	0	5,086
76 - 100	1,324	2,002	734	221	38	4	1	0	4,324
101 - 125	682	1,840	839	240	38	9	1	0	3,649
126 - 150	320	954	970	275	45	7	1	0	2,572
Over 150	421	1,507	2,204	1,858	774	273	80	33	7,150
Total	9,021	9,519	6,028	2,961	937	294	83	33	28,876
Number of Children	9,021	19,038	18,084	11,844	4,685	1,764	581	264	65,281

Table F11: Number of Families Receiving Family Income Supplement by Age of Recipient and Family Income Group, 2011

Age of Recipient	Family Income Group (Euro per week - Net)							Total
	100-200	200-300	300-400	400-500	500-600	600-700	>700	
Under 25 years	16	44	198	298	22	0	0	578
25 to 29 years	37	224	1,042	1,660	281	50	4	3,298
30 to 34 years	58	337	1,471	2,743	995	201	72	5,877
35 to 39 years	89	360	1,391	2,789	1,482	512	160	6,783
40 to 44 years	103	371	1,175	2,355	1,339	574	205	6,122
45 to 49 years	82	240	767	1,574	814	326	140	3,943
50 to 54 years	45	145	394	679	302	87	35	1,687
55 to 59 years	13	64	112	199	73	9	7	477
60 to 64 years	3	11	33	34	18	6	1	106
65 years or more	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	5
Total	446	1,796	6,584	12,333	5,326	1,767	624	28,876

Table F12: Number of Families Receiving Family Income Supplement by Family Status and Income Group, 2011

Marital Status	Family Income Group (Euro per week - Net)							Total
	100-200	200-300	300-400	400-500	500-600	600-700	>700	
One- Parent Family	133	623	3,345	7,563	1,845	404	149	14,062
Two- Parent Family	313	1,173	3,239	4,770	3,481	1,363	475	14,814
Total	446	1,796	6,584	12,333	5,326	1,767	624	28,876

Table F13: Number of Recipients of Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance by Primary Payment, 2011

Payment Type	Recipients
State Pensions	523
Pre-Retirement Allowance	5
Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil Partner's Pensions	1,287
One-Parent Family Payment	77,288
Incapacity Pension	2,737
Illness Benefit	7,031
Disability Allowance	8,957
Long-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	32,987
Short-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	16,120
Jobseeker's Benefit	13,451
Supplement Welfare Allowance	8,801
Employment Support Services ⁽¹⁾	6,302
DSS (UK)	12
Other	20,104
Total	195,605

(1) Includes Back to Work Allowance, Community Employment, Back to Education Allowance, VTOS and FÁS

Table F14: Number of Recipients of Guardian's Payment, 2010 and 2011

Payment	2010	2011	Change 2011 over 2010
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	919	955	3.9%
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	429	441	2.8%
Total	1,348	1,396	3.6%

Table F15: Number of Qualified Child Increases by Payment Type, 2011

Payment	1 Qualified Child		2 Qualified Children		3 Qualified Children		4 Qualified Children		5 Qualified Children		6+ Qualified Children		Total Children		Total Families with Children	
	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)	226	49	57	15	24	7	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	434	104	72
State Pension (Contributory)	824	791	181	195	32	49	15	8	1	2	2	1	1,359	1,377	1,055	1,046
State Pension (Transition)	91	102	26	24	2	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	157	174	121	134
Widow/er's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	3,841	0	2,013	0	775	0	194	0	46	0	15	0	11,310	0	6,884	0
Death Benefit Pension	47	0	23	0	6	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	120	0	78	0
Jobseeker's Allowance	18,497	7,753	18,213	6,733	9,583	3,259	3,828	1,134	1,298	319	710	138	110,217	38,020	52,129	19,336
One-Parent Family Payment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	50,608	0	25,842	0	9,563	0	3,012	0	851	0	301	0	149,200	0	90,177	0
Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽³⁾	3,911	0	3,275	0	1,896	0	843	0	317	0	178	0	22,280	0	10,420	0
Farm Assist	970	288	1,007	326	804	209	404	96	142	35	62	16	8,129	2,234	3,389	970
Pre-Retirement Allowance	132	30	29	11	10	2	5	1	1	1	0	0	245	74	177	46
Jobseeker's Benefit	3,207	3,707	2,802	3,108	1,289	1,146	393	278	89	56	23	13	14,841	14,835	7,803	8,308
Deserted Wife's Benefit	609	0	161	0	36	0	5	0	3	0	1	0	1,081	0	815	0
Health and Safety Benefit	0	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	2	5
Back to Work Allowance	15	3	9	6	9	2	6	3	1	1	0	0	89	44	40	16
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	937	380	1,315	402	723	221	294	58	62	17	10	2	7,282	2,177	3,341	1,080
Back to Education Allowance	1,856	573	1,145	484	570	277	207	103	54	38	23	6	7,099	3,012	3,855	1,481
Disability Allowance	4,161	1,569	2,520	1,135	1,280	595	606	249	275	128	194	69	18,137	7,729	9,036	3,745
Blind Pension	59	34	43	20	19	15	9	3	4	2	1	0	264	141	135	74
Carer's Allowance	455	3,604	373	4,631	186	2,748	92	1,241	36	367	30	190	2,541	28,919	1,172	12,781
Illness Benefit	2,276	3,333	1,687	3,154	818	1,298	280	328	71	85	34	24	9,807	15,430	5,166	8,222
Interim Illness Benefit	12	8	6	8	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	45	28	24	17
Incapacity Pension	1,504	2,936	724	1,985	302	713	97	157	23	47	18	12	4,474	9,989	2,668	5,850
Injury Benefit	23	29	30	20	14	8	3	6	0	1	0	0	137	122	70	64
Disablement Pension	45	78	44	90	24	78	8	40	5	0	14	0	140	286	140	286
Carer's Benefit	25	266	11	356	3	221	1	65	0	11	0	14	57	1,940	40	933
Total	94,331	25,536	61,538	22,705	27,971	10,856	10,312	3,772	3,280	1,110	1,617	487	369,447	126,640	199,049	64,466

(1) Widowed persons were not claiming a child increase at December 2010. This is usually because their dependent child is now claiming a lone parents allowance in their own right and they are removed from their parent's claim.

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

(3) Includes Direct Provision Allowance.

Community Employment Scheme, Tús, Rural Social Scheme not included in this analysis.

Table F16: Number of Recipients of Guardian's Payments, Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance, Child Benefit and Family Income Supplement by County, 2011

County	Child Benefit Recipients	Child Benefit Children	Family Income Supplement	Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance	Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)
Carlow	8,335	15,795	502	3,437	6	5
Cavan	9,791	19,749	615	3,452	13	5
Clare	15,069	29,712	736	4,552	21	6
Cork	67,349	128,260	3,016	19,643	61	35
Donegal	20,387	40,594	1,372	9,885	19	9
Dublin	155,444	283,457	6,586	48,710	441	170
Galway	30,624	60,119	1,360	9,564	28	17
Kerry	17,922	34,186	873	6,007	31	16
Kildare	30,928	59,255	1,159	8,709	28	16
Kilkenny	11,743	22,636	455	3,525	15	8
Laois	10,344	20,439	529	3,505	7	7
Leitrim	4,030	8,141	190	1,374	7	4
Limerick	24,842	46,648	1,284	8,356	36	26
Longford	5,326	10,756	393	2,298	5	1
Louth	17,961	33,923	1,086	6,627	10	12
Mayo	15,668	31,340	910	6,049	14	9
Meath	27,091	52,367	1,027	7,109	33	10
Monaghan	7,797	15,441	556	2,724	7	1
Offaly	10,309	20,122	591	3,873	14	5
Roscommon	7,542	14,978	414	2,684	9	5
Sligo	7,831	15,231	438	2,428	18	6
Tipperary	21,281	40,748	1,247	7,231	22	20
Waterford	15,799	29,685	936	5,756	25	9
Westmeath	12,013	23,320	651	4,008	26	11
Wexford	20,636	39,099	1,214	8,276	33	19
Wicklow	19,638	36,851	665	5,823	20	9
Others	1,633	3,213	71	0	6	0
Total	597,333	1,136,065	28,876	195,605	955	441

**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 Support Agencies

Expenditure and Recipients

Expenditure on Rent and Mortgage Supplements amounted to €570.5 million in 2011. This represents a decrease of 2% on 2010. Expenditure on Rent Supplements fell by over €13.7 million in 2011, a decrease of 2.7%. The number of recipients of Rent Supplement at the end of 2011 was 96,803 a decrease of 0.5% on 2010.

Expenditure on Mortgage Interest Supplements increased by 3.4% to €67.8 million. The number of recipients at the end of 2011 increased to 18,988 an increase of 5.6%.

In 2011, expenditure on Household Benefits, Free Travel and Fuel Allowance increased by 6% to €711 million.

Table G1: Expenditure on Supplementary Payments, 2010 and 2011

Type of Payment	2010	2011 ⁽¹⁾	Change 2011 over 2010
	€000	€000	
Rent Supplement	516,538	502,748	-2.7%
Mortgage Interest Supplement	65,615	67,849	3.4%
Household Benefits, Free Travel and Fuel Allowance	670,660	711,011	6.0%
Rent Allowance	804	701	-12.8%
Grant to Citizen's Information Board	44,986	45,114	0.3%
Grant to Family Support Agency	9,909	0	-100.0%
Other Supplementary Payments	2,436	2,184	-10.3%
Total	1,310,948	1,329,607	1.4%

(1) Provisional.

Graph G1: Expenditure on Supplementary Welfare Payments, 2002 to 2011

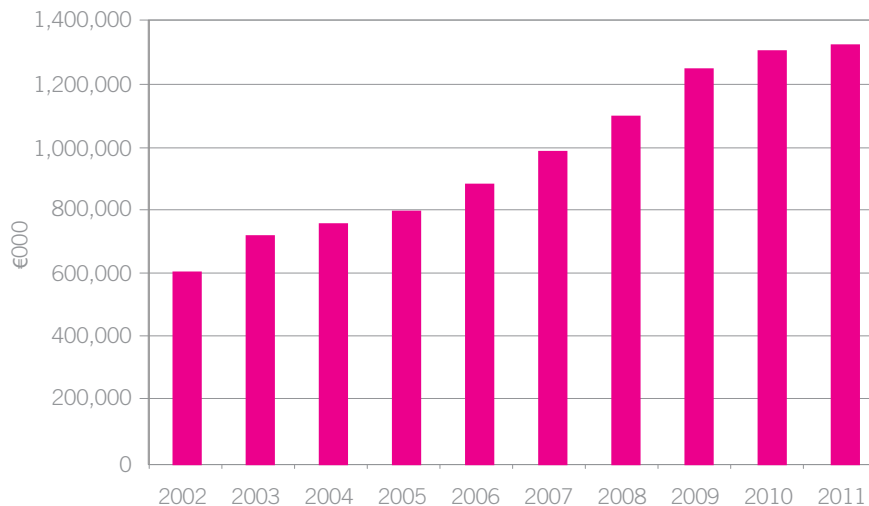


Table G2: Expenditure on Supplementary Payments, 2002 to 2011

Year	Expenditure
	€000
2002	611,986
2003	726,687
2004	764,442
2005	804,204
2006	889,494
2007	993,002
2008	1,104,311
2009	1,253,871
2010	1,310,948
2011 ⁽¹⁾	1,329,607

(1) Provisional.

Table G3: Total Expenditure on Household Benefits, Free Travel and Fuel Allowance, 2002 to 2011

Year	Electricity Allowance	Television Licence Allowance	Telephone Allowance	Gas Allowance	Free Travel	Fuel Allowance	Total
	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000	€000
2002	62,648	30,967	72,887	3,384	45,625	80,532	296,043
2003	75,402	43,801	83,258	5,025	49,820	83,208	340,514
2004	87,992	47,859	85,697	5,614	52,400	84,710	364,272
2005	103,919	46,224	89,143	6,424	55,333	82,386	383,429
2006	108,323	48,966	90,333	8,515	58,042	130,250	444,429
2007	147,225	51,672	98,855	15,359	64,125	158,289	535,525
2008	156,738	55,698	112,190	15,626	68,428	170,008	578,688
2009	165,515	55,712	120,180	17,700	73,489	199,609	632,205
2010	171,589	57,650	118,579	19,982	74,094	228,766	670,660
2011 ⁽¹⁾	179,251	57,647	111,961	20,716	75,597	265,839	711,011

(1) Provisional.

Table G4: Recipients and Expenditure on Rent Supplement, Mortgage Interest Supplement and Local Authority Mortgage Supplement, 2002 to 2011

Year	Rent Supplement		Mortgage Interest Supplement		Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement	
	Recipients	€000	Recipients	€000	Recipients	€000
2002	54,213	252,203	3,296	6,426	1,063	1,232
2003	59,976	331,471	3,161	6,725	772	938
2004	57,874	353,762	2,763	5,705	555	628
2005	60,176	368,705	2,741	5,834	479	505
2006	59,861	388,339	3,023	7,377	401	496
2007	59,726	391,466	3,712	11,624	399	574
2008	74,038	440,548	7,647	26,866	444	809
2009	93,030	510,751	14,716	60,885	385	544
2010	97,260	516,538	17,648	65,146	326	469
2011	96,803	502,748	18,703	67,386	285	463

Table G5: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement, Mortgage Interest Supplement and Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement by Age and Sex, 2011

Age Group	Rent Supplement			Mortgage Interest Supplement			Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 20	237	588	825	0	0	0	0	0	0
20 - 24	3,631	7,950	11,581	19	18	37	0	0	0
25 - 29	7,705	10,191	17,896	634	344	978	7	8	15
30 - 34	9,301	7,861	17,162	2,167	978	3,145	31	8	39
35 - 39	8,656	5,731	14,387	3,024	1,219	4,243	34	31	65
40 - 44	7,096	4,141	11,237	3,021	1,152	4,173	34	17	51
45 - 49	5,328	2,844	8,172	2,173	835	3,008	25	9	34
50 - 54	4,067	1,934	6,001	1,251	476	1,727	21	14	35
55 - 59	2,813	1,242	4,055	661	244	905	6	10	16
60 - 64	1,745	753	2,498	279	108	387	5	9	14
65 - 69	923	456	1,379	73	14	87	8	2	10
70 plus	871	739	1,610	5	8	13	3	3	6
Total	52,373	44,430	96,803	13,307	5,396	18,703	174	111	285

Table G6: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement, Mortgage Interest Supplement and Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement by Primary Payment, 2011

Payment Type	Rent Supplement	Mortgage Interest Supplement	Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement
Long-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	28,024	4,813	59
One-Parent Family Payment	15,606	896	23
Short-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	10,472	2,682	22
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	9,520	2,160	33
Disability Allowance	10,262	598	14
Jobseeker's Benefit	6,140	3,310	56
Other	6,227	1,142	21
Employment Support Services ⁽¹⁾	4,042	951	12
Illness Benefit	2,827	1,700	24
State Pensions	1,763	35	3
Invalidity Pension	1,098	321	10
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Pension	454	89	5
DSS (UK)	289	5	0
Pre-Retirement Allowance	79	1	3
Total	96,803	18,703	285

(1) Includes Back to Work Allowance, Community Employment, Back to Education Allowance, VTOS and FÁS

Table G7: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement, Mortgage Interest Supplement and Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement by Claim Duration, 2011⁽¹⁾

Months ⁽²⁾	Rent Supplement	Mortgage Interest Supplement	Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement
0 to 3	10,903	1,303	18
3 to 6	13,209	2,022	30
6 to 9	10,491	1,770	20
9 to 12	9,233	1,786	28
12 to 18	13,499	2,492	32
18 to 24	10,793	2,464	15
24 to 36	15,057	4,141	46
36 to 48	6,043	1,879	40
48 to 60	2,365	407	10
60 to 72	1,570	203	9
72 plus	3,640	236	37
Total	96,803	18,703	285

(1) This represents unbroken continuous claims only. Where recipients change address, the claim at the new address may be recorded as a new claim and the duration spent at the previous address may not be taken into account in these statistics.

(2) Claims with duration of precisely 3 months are recorded under the 3-6 months heading, claims with duration of precisely 6 months are recorded under the 6-9 months heading and so on.

Table G8: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement by Duration⁽¹⁾ and by Primary Payment, 2011

Duration in Months	0 to 3 ⁽²⁾	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	Total
Payment Type⁽³⁾													
State Pensions	101	130	133	129	201	144	125	127	172	105	61	335	1,763
Pre-Retirement Allowance	2	0	1	1	3	5	3	1	8	3	3	49	79
Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil Partner's Pensions	39	41	41	41	46	43	36	32	32	22	18	63	454
One-Parent Family Payment	1,537	1,929	1,685	1,388	2,158	1,740	1,417	1,154	1,156	459	355	628	15,606
Invalidity Pension	73	95	88	75	114	116	74	80	98	55	58	172	1,098
Illness Benefit	342	410	339	320	392	326	196	194	166	62	32	48	2,827
Disability Allowance	916	1,159	902	831	1,208	1,103	870	779	849	480	322	843	10,262
Long-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	3,434	4,296	3,385	2,937	4,325	3,136	2,161	1,764	1,259	459	299	569	28,024
Short-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	1,064	1,327	1,026	972	1,555	1,256	954	951	724	206	151	286	10,472
Jobseeker's Benefit	821	892	726	636	778	685	536	581	353	61	27	44	6,140
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	1,399	1,431	1,054	886	1,191	981	727	714	558	181	102	296	9,520
Employment Support Services ⁽⁴⁾	397	558	361	374	603	505	374	315	275	111	52	117	4,042
DSS (UK)	22	23	24	19	28	31	19	21	32	18	16	36	289
Other	756	918	726	624	897	722	450	402	361	143	74	154	6,227
Total	10,903	13,209	10,491	9,233	13,499	10,793	7,942	7,115	6,043	2,365	1,570	3,640	96,803

(1) This represents unbroken continuous claims only. Where recipients change address, the claim at the new address may be recorded as a new claim and the duration spent at the previous address may not be taken into account in these statistics

(2) Claims with duration of precisely 3 months are recorded under the 3-6 months heading, claims with duration of precisely 6 months are recorded under the 6-9 months heading and so on.

(3) The recipient may not necessarily have been in receipt of the same Primary Payment for the duration of the Rent Supplement claim

(4) Includes Back to Work Allowance, Community Employment, Back to Education Allowance, VTOS and FÁS

Table G9: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement by Age and Duration, ⁽¹⁾ 2011

Duration in Months	0 to 3 ⁽²⁾	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	Total
Age Group													
Under 20	279	246	160	74	57	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	825
20 - 24	1,936	2,268	1,755	1,365	1,692	1,107	616	474	282	59	23	4	11,581
25 - 29	2,295	2,818	2,263	1,846	2,725	1,976	1,354	1,168	847	271	171	162	17,896
30 - 34	2,014	2,373	1,833	1,702	2,530	2,086	1,514	1,287	950	328	222	323	17,162
35 - 39	1,474	1,913	1,404	1,290	2,017	1,626	1,358	1,228	989	365	229	494	14,387
40 - 44	1,015	1,308	1,068	1,031	1,551	1,301	1,049	941	909	319	244	501	11,237
45 - 49	762	877	721	751	1,081	984	711	678	678	328	185	416	8,172
50 - 54	536	615	529	494	780	718	553	544	489	221	142	380	6,001
55 - 59	276	389	356	323	501	472	338	373	361	158	112	396	4,055
60 - 64	165	208	210	174	260	267	228	205	241	113	108	319	2,498
65 - 69	83	100	100	78	161	135	111	103	122	91	52	243	1,379
70 plus	68	94	92	105	144	114	110	112	175	112	82	402	1,610
Total	10,903	13,209	10,491	9,233	13,499	10,793	7,942	7,115	6,043	2,365	1,570	3,640	96,803

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Table G10: Short-Term and Long-Term Recipients of Rent Supplement by Primary Payment, 2011

Payment Type	All Cases		Short-Term <18 Months		Long-Term >18 Months	
State Pensions	1,763	1.8%	536	1.2%	1,227	2.3%
Pre-Retirement Allowance	79	0.1%	7	0.0%	72	0.1%
Widow's, Widower's and Surviving Civil Partner's Pensions	454	0.5%	148	0.3%	306	0.6%
One-Parent Family Payment	15,606	16.1%	5,644	12.8%	9,962	18.8%
Invalidity Pension	1,098	1.1%	325	0.7%	773	1.5%
Illness Benefit	2,827	2.9%	1,600	3.6%	1,227	2.3%
Disability Allowance	10,262	10.6%	3,433	7.8%	6,829	12.9%
Long-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	28,024	28.9%	13,364	30.4%	14,660	27.7%
Short-Term Jobseeker's Allowance	10,472	10.8%	4,968	11.3%	5,504	10.4%
Jobseeker's Benefit	6,140	6.3%	3,780	8.6%	2,360	4.5%
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	9,520	9.8%	5,197	11.8%	4,323	8.2%
Employment Support Services ⁽¹⁾	4,042	4.2%	1,661	3.8%	2,381	4.5%
DSS (UK)	289	0.3%	104	0.2%	185	0.3%
Other	6,227	6.4%	3,169	7.2%	3,058	5.8%
Total	96,803	100.0%	43,936	100.0%	52,867	100.0%

(1) Includes Back to Work Allowance, Community Employment, Back to Education Allowance, VTOS and FÁS

At December 2011 there were 96,803 households in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment, of which 52,736 are the Target group for the Rental Accommodation Scheme that have been in receipt of a payment for 18 months or longer. This group of 52,736 is derived from an analysis of those in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment in June 2010 and in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment at every three monthly interval thereafter.

Note: The 52,867 Long Term cases includes Asylum Seekers that are not included in the Target group of 52,736 for transfer to the Rental Assistance Scheme.

Table G11: Short-Term and Long-Term Recipients of Rent Supplement by County, 2011

County	All Cases	Short-Term Cases	Short-Term as % All Cases	Long-Term Cases	Long-Term as % All Cases
	Recipients	Recipients		Recipients	
Carlow	1,440	677	47.0%	763	53.0%
Cavan	843	456	54.1%	387	45.9%
Clare	1,961	948	48.3%	1,013	51.7%
Cork	10,732	4,879	45.5%	5,853	54.5%
Donegal	2,977	1,209	40.6%	1,768	59.4%
Dublin	34,423	14,266	41.4%	20,157	58.6%
Galway	4,615	2,132	46.2%	2,483	53.8%
Kerry	2,278	1,128	49.5%	1,150	50.5%
Kildare	4,447	2,025	45.5%	2,422	54.5%
Kilkenny	1,619	900	55.6%	719	44.4%
Laois	1,178	652	55.3%	526	44.7%
Leitrim	440	232	52.7%	208	47.3%
Limerick	3,833	1,821	47.5%	2,012	52.5%
Longford	623	294	47.2%	329	52.8%
Louth	2,734	1,312	48.0%	1,422	52.0%
Mayo	2,928	1,174	40.1%	1,754	59.9%
Meath	2,723	1,432	52.6%	1,291	47.4%
Monaghan	488	276	56.6%	212	43.4%
Offaly	1,349	736	54.6%	613	45.4%
Roscommon	1,275	597	46.8%	678	53.2%
Sligo	698	352	50.4%	346	49.6%
Tipperary	2,609	1,405	53.9%	1,204	46.1%
Waterford	2,098	1,084	51.7%	1,014	48.3%
Westmeath	1,671	869	52.0%	802	48.0%
Wexford	4,102	1,825	44.5%	2,277	55.5%
Wicklow	2,719	1,255	46.2%	1,464	53.8%
Total	96,803	43,936	45.4%	52,867	54.6%

At December 2011 there were 96,803 households in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment, of which 52,736 are the Target group for the Rental Accommodation Scheme that have been in receipt of a payment for 18 months or longer. This group of 52,736 is derived from an analysis of those in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment in June 2010 and in receipt of a Rent Supplement payment at every three monthly interval thereafter.

Note: The 52,867 Long Term cases includes Asylum Seekers that are not included in the Target group of 52,736 for transfer to the Rental Assistance Scheme.

Table G12: Number of Recipients of Household Benefits by Type of Payment Received, 2011

Type of Payment	Free Electricity Allowance	Free Television Licence ⁽¹⁾	Free Telephone Rental	Gas Allowance	Free Travel ⁽²⁾
State Pension (Contributory)	140,928	162,900	157,583	20,718	248,924
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	54,733	58,025	55,450	2,430	96,482
State Pension (Transition)	358	389	377	25	1,363
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	57,649	66,599	65,128	8,381	78,026
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	222	234	232	13	273
Invalidity Pension	18,320	20,931	19,876	2,495	48,543
Deserted Wife's Allowance	22	0	21	0	31
Deserted Wife's Benefit	1,082	1,378	1,331	287	1,904
Occupational Injury Benefit	260	314	312	52	356
Blind Pension	545	593	565	41	1,397
Carer's Allowance	26,333	30,055	29,431	3,554	49,905
Disability Allowance	34,767	38,832	35,949	3,442	99,506
Others	21,479	24,369	23,228	3,071	99,702
Total	356,698	404,619	389,483	44,509	726,412

(1) Refers to the number of Licences issued.

(2) Refers to the number of persons in respect of whom travel passes have been issued.

Table G13: Number of Recipients of Social Welfare Payments by Payment Type and Method of Payment, 2011

Type of Payment	Cheque	Electronic Fund Transfer	Post Draft/ EIT	Total
State Pension(Non-Contributory)	30	27,252	69,467	96,749
State Pension(Contributory)	328	174,619	122,048	296,995
State Pension(Transition)	6	8,625	3,479	12,110
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	241	51,048	64,473	115,762
Death Benefit	6	181	441	628
Total Pensions	611	261,725	259,908	522,244
Jobseeker's Allowance	42,241	20,491	221,197	283,929
One-Parent Family Payment	26	40,191	50,090	90,307
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	0	676	1,283	1,959
Deserted Wife's Allowance	0	93	316	409
Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance	6,226	1,396	26,975	34,597
Farm Assist	69	5,417	5,847	11,333
Pre-Retirement Allowance	63	1,662	3,095	4,820
Jobseeker's Benefit	40,821	1,710	53,513	96,044
Deserted Wife's Benefit	0	2,219	5,852	8,071
Maternity Benefit	1,210	22,737	0	23,947
Adoptive Benefit	0	61	0	61
Health and Safety Benefit	0	45	0	45
Total Working Age Income Supports	90,656	96,698	368,168	555,522
Back to Work Allowance Employee	0	178	4	182
Back to Work Enterprise Allowance	10	10,489	252	10,751
Back to Education Allowance	42	21,276	3,348	24,666
Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme	2	0	178	180
Community Employment Programme	0	22,589	0	22,589
Tús-Community Work Placement Scheme	0	2,077	0	2,077
Rural Social Scheme	0	2,537	0	2,537
Total Working Age Employment Supports	54	59,146	3,782	62,982
Disability Allowance	1	44,122	58,743	102,866
Blind Pension	0	713	783	1,496
Carer's Allowance	0	22,456	29,210	51,666
Illness Benefit	7,656	65,527	214	73,397
Injury Benefit	192	584	0	776
Invalidity Pension	38	26,151	23,603	49,792
Disablement Benefit	3,748	10,245	0	13,993
Interim Illness Benefit	90	237	0	327
Carer's Benefit	0	1,424	213	1,637
Total Illness, Disability and Carers	11,725	171,459	112,766	295,950
Family Income Supplement	63	28,632	181	28,876
Guardian's Payment(Contributory)	3	466	486	955
Guardian's Payment(Non-Contributory)	0	191	250	441
Child Benefit (Families)	0	397,987	199,346	597,333
Total Children	66	427,276	200,263	627,605
Rent Allowance	159	0	0	159
Total	103,271	1,016,304	944,887	2,064,462

Graph G2: Recipients of Social Welfare Payments by Method of Payment, 2011

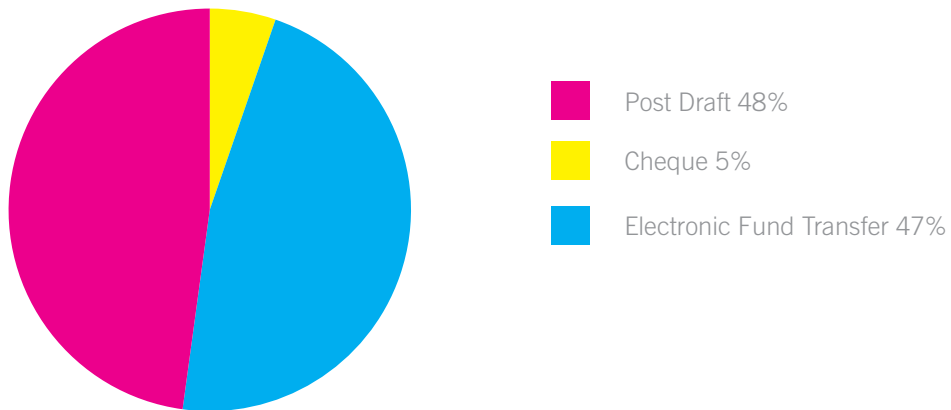


Table G14: Personal Public Service Numbers Issued by Country, 2002 to 2011

Country of origin/declared nationality	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Total
EU Countries											
Austria	545	519	851	655	769	814	670	338	290	313	5,764
Belgium	424	478	383	415	506	523	466	288	278	336	4,097
Bulgaria ⁽¹⁾	427	374	104	98	267	1,008	772	277	295	281	3,903
Cyprus ⁽²⁾	8	6	27	23	33	43	19	26	21	21	227
Czech Republic ⁽²⁾	1,144	831	3,298	4,505	4,458	3,838	2,762	901	712	621	23,070
Denmark	279	285	267	314	286	338	349	209	324	306	2,957
Estonia ⁽²⁾	463	546	1,788	2,011	1,407	648	572	428	207	155	8,225
Finland	441	384	346	469	508	473	372	153	188	181	3,515
France	3,772	4,333	4,683	4,973	6,880	7,673	7,066	3,109	2,877	2,668	48,034
Germany	2,547	2,877	3,147	3,839	4,605	4,534	3,823	2,090	2,090	2,160	31,712
Greece	117	116	158	169	207	167	168	100	124	168	1,494
Hungary ⁽²⁾	259	185	1,839	3,086	4,330	5,046	4,562	1,794	1,584	1,556	24,241
Ireland ⁽³⁾	127,067	109,064	95,386	85,616	84,740	90,238	92,999	86,748	85,939	85,210	943,007
Italy	2,507	2,763	2,927	3,692	4,222	4,715	4,428	2,237	2,039	2,095	31,625
Latvia ⁽²⁾	1,538	1,230	6,266	9,328	7,954	4,674	3,727	3,916	3,134	2,195	43,962
Lithuania ⁽²⁾	2,782	2,379	12,817	18,717	16,039	10,728	6,443	3,768	4,353	3,555	81,581
Luxembourg	45	36	12	21	18	10	19	15	11	7	194
Malta ⁽²⁾	209	191	205	124	143	161	132	69	57	51	1,342
Netherlands	776	757	924	970	1,104	1,051	904	647	649	710	8,492
Poland ⁽²⁾	2,649	3,828	27,295	64,731	93,787	79,816	42,553	13,794	8,742	8,087	345,282
Portugal	419	725	680	791	935	1,517	2,125	1,125	786	706	9,809
Romania ⁽²⁾	2,667	1,387	591	813	3,336	14,525	6,762	2,624	3,002	3,841	39,548
Slovakia ⁽²⁾	252	248	5,187	9,258	10,687	8,375	4,994	1,784	1,288	1,012	43,085
Slovenia ⁽²⁾	2	7	64	76	101	63	87	40	37	42	519
Spain	5,687	4,920	4,456	4,670	4,433	4,691	4,618	2,595	2,388	2,604	41,062
Sweden	949	1,017	943	1,102	1,103	932	757	481	629	582	8,495
United Kingdom	18,915	18,474	18,545	20,655	22,283	22,040	19,707	13,996	13,437	13,135	181,187
Total EU	176,890	157,960	193,189	241,121	275,141	268,641	211,856	143,552	135,481	132,598	1,936,429
Non-EU Countries											
United States of America	2,736	3,010	3,195	3,811	4,079	3,841	3,504	2,544	2,518	2,705	31,943
India	1,591	1,422	1,887	3,407	5,580	4,778	4,332	2,249	1,430	1,475	28,151
China	4,839	3,762	3,471	1,756	1,418	1,519	1,685	1,266	977	877	21,570
Brazil	759	725	864	2,225	3,460	4,805	5,632	2,741	4,257	4,939	30,407
Nigeria	5,417	3,795	1,973	2,168	1,623	1,610	1,545	888	513	482	20,014
Australia	2,656	2,421	1,713	2,128	2,105	1,966	1,857	1,013	688	554	17,101
Philippines	2,540	2,064	1,227	1,499	1,884	1,624	1,440	695	394	434	13,801
South Africa	2,195	1,869	1,013	1,060	1,126	1,046	1,105	678	413	346	10,851
Pakistan	1,091	1,350	1,114	1,024	1,425	1,439	911	868	478	807	10,507
Canada	733	754	866	970	1,161	1,071	1,213	841	698	606	8,913
New Zealand	1,408	1,016	896	923	1,010	886	819	413	238	194	7,803
Mauritius	46	125	158	473	1,938	1,989	1,431	887	156	46	7,249
Ukraine	1,421	1,282	489	378	405	394	467	302	150	167	5,455
Russia	1,167	658	559	473	464	398	358	258	233	267	4,835
Malaysia	341	349	301	523	636	744	656	436	410	291	4,687
Republic of Korea	134	148	272	461	491	948	1,147	431	558	505	5,095
Moldova	651	563	214	194	294	409	300	252	124	93	3,094
Bangladesh	486	655	347	209	456	405	240	167	109	88	3,162
Other	8,435	7,637	6,206	6,399	7,154	7,097	6,933	5,414	4,343	5,576	65,194
Total Non-EU	38,646	33,605	26,765	30,081	36,709	36,969	35,575	22,343	18,687	20,452	299,832
Total	215,536	191,565	219,954	271,202	311,850	305,610	247,431	165,895	154,168	153,050	2,236,261

(1) Joined the EU on 1 January 2007.

(2) Joined the EU on 1 May 2004

(3) Also contains those classified as other and unknown.

Graph G3: Personal Public Service Numbers Issued, 2002 to 2011

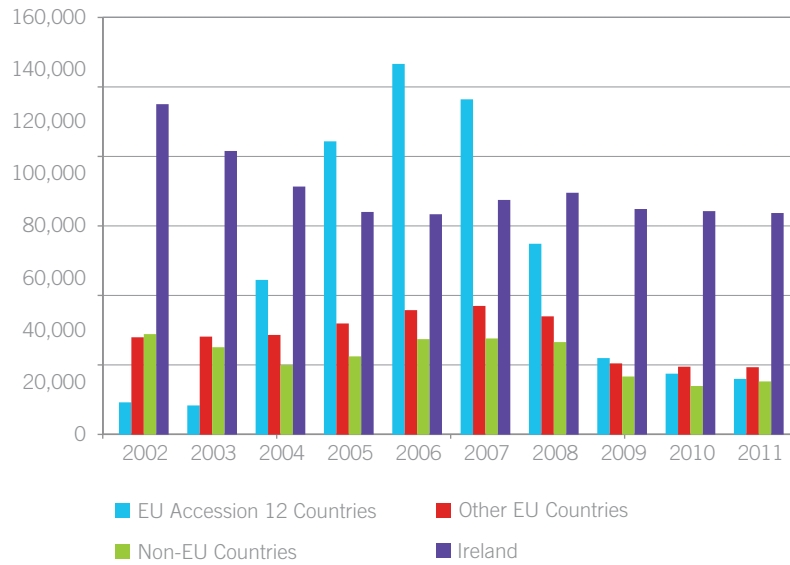


Table G15: Number of Recipients of Rent Supplement, Mortgage Interest Supplement and Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement by County, 2011

County	Rent Supplement	Mortgage Interest Supplement	Local Authority Mortgage Interest Supplement
Carlow	1,440	430	2
Cavan	843	519	0
Clare	1,961	321	2
Cork	10,732	1,710	16
Donegal	2,977	432	2
Dublin	34,423	4,518	147
Galway	4,615	662	19
Kerry	2,278	238	1
Kildare	4,447	1,406	11
Kilkenny	1,619	430	9
Laois	1,178	273	15
Leitrim	440	66	0
Limerick	3,833	673	3
Longford	623	111	1
Louth	2,734	475	0
Mayo	2,928	684	11
Meath	2,723	1,491	0
Monaghan	488	197	5
Offaly	1,349	304	0
Roscommon	1,275	341	1
Sligo	698	56	1
Tipperary	2,609	643	3
Waterford	2,098	513	12
Westmeath	1,671	232	0
Wexford	4,102	1,304	22
Wicklow	2,719	674	2
Total	96,803	18,703	285

**SECTION H:
LIVE REGISTER**

Section H: Live Register

The statistics in this section of the report relate to the Live Register.

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 tables C3, C9 and C18 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 increased by 3,216 during 2011, an increase of 0.7%. Table H10 shows the numbers on the Live Register by County from 2002 to 2011 and the percentage increase in each county.

Table H1: Number of Persons on the Live Register on the last Friday of each Month, 2011

Month	Jobseeker's Benefit	Jobseeker's Allowance	Credited Contributions	Total Live Register
January	125,696	289,583	27,398	442,677
February	124,592	291,733	27,974	444,299
March	120,067	292,876	28,250	441,193
April	117,488	293,203	28,880	439,571
May	112,107	299,633	29,207	440,947
June	114,458	313,694	29,796	457,948
July	118,990	320,701	30,593	470,284
August	115,709	323,097	30,907	469,713
September	100,885	306,557	29,999	437,441
October	99,013	301,333	30,086	430,432
November	99,214	299,891	30,462	429,567
December	102,663	301,453	30,668	434,784
Average	112,574	302,813	29,518	444,905

Table H2: Average Number of Persons on the Live Register, 2002 to 2011

Year	Jobseeker's Benefit	Jobseeker's Allowance	Credited Contributions	Average Live Register
2002	73,931	78,010	11,420	163,361
2003	79,232	81,355	11,828	172,415
2004	71,884	82,693	11,436	166,013
2005	62,536	84,150	10,430	157,116
2006	61,729	85,950	9,719	157,398
2007	65,146	87,756	9,390	162,292
2008	103,004	113,643	10,423	227,069
2009	181,312	201,779	15,068	398,159
2010	142,976	274,666	24,047	441,689
2011	112,574	302,813	29,518	444,905

Source: Central Statistics Office

Table H3: Flows On and Off the Live Register by Month, 2011

Month	New Registrations	Outflow	Live Register	Net Change
January	46,115	40,517	442,677	5,598
February	40,124	38,502	444,299	1,622
March	34,486	37,592	441,193	-3,106
April	41,996	43,618	439,571	-1,622
May	35,512	34,136	440,947	1,376
June	42,503	25,504	457,948	16,999
July	54,123	41,787	470,284	12,336
August	32,327	32,898	469,713	-571
September	44,490	76,762	437,441	-32,272
October	37,032	44,041	430,432	-7,009
November	38,157	39,022	429,567	-865
December	37,928	32,711	434,784	5,217
Total	484,793	487,090		-2,297

Table H4: Number of Persons on the Live Register by Age and Sex, October 2011

Age	Males		Females		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Under 20 years	8,403	3.0%	5,779	3.8%	14,182	3.3%
20 to 24 years	38,967	14.0%	24,560	16.1%	63,527	14.8%
25 to 34 years	86,697	31.2%	45,009	29.4%	131,706	30.6%
35 to 44 years	64,104	23.1%	31,893	20.9%	95,997	22.3%
45 to 54 years	45,897	16.5%	25,228	16.5%	71,125	16.5%
55 to 59 years	18,484	6.7%	11,198	7.3%	29,682	6.9%
60 to 64 years	15,043	5.4%	9,170	6.0%	24,213	5.6%
Total Live Register	277,595	100.0%	152,837	100.0%	430,432	100.0%

Source: Central Statistics Office

Graph H1: Number of Persons on the Live Register by Age and Sex, 2011

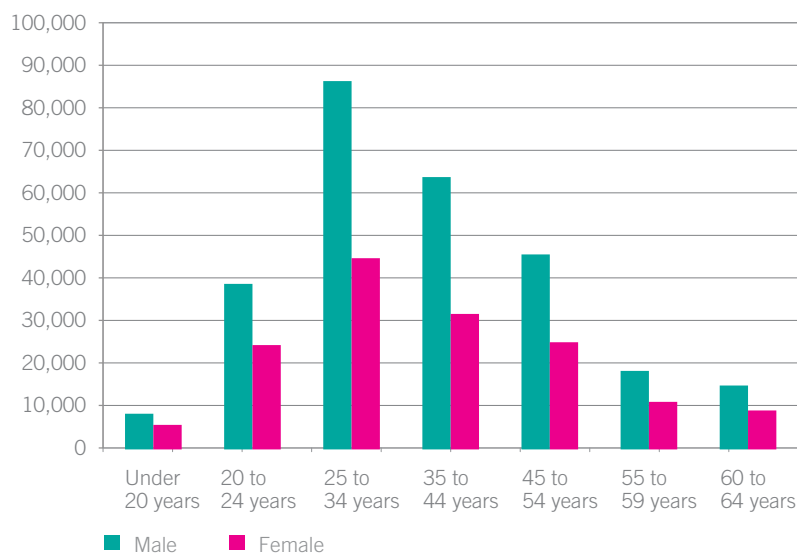


Table H5: Number of Persons on the Live Register in October 2011, Classified by Duration of Claim

Sex/Age	Duration of Continuous Registration						Total
	< 3 mths	3 - 6 mths	6 - 12 mths	1 - 2 yrs	2 - 3 yrs	> 3 yrs	
Males							
< 20 yrs	3,817	1,198	1,924	1,464	0	0	8,403
20 - 24 yrs	12,407	4,010	5,376	6,325	6,100	4,749	38,967
25 - 34 yrs	28,841	6,834	12,526	14,560	12,227	11,709	86,697
35 - 44 yrs	18,925	4,557	9,589	10,974	9,136	10,923	64,104
45 - 54 yrs	12,379	3,090	6,755	7,785	6,512	9,376	45,897
55 - 59 yrs	4,357	1,167	2,867	3,250	2,622	4,221	18,484
60 - 64 yrs	3,170	959	2,555	3,067	2,516	2,776	15,043
Total Males	83,896	21,815	41,592	47,425	39,113	43,754	277,595
Females							
< 20 yrs	2,714	969	1,247	849	0	0	5,779
20 - 24 yrs	10,961	2,713	2,761	3,072	2,772	2,281	24,560
25 - 34 yrs	21,452	4,379	6,840	5,494	3,627	3,217	45,009
35 - 44 yrs	12,928	3,167	5,532	4,536	2,950	2,780	31,893
45 - 54 yrs	10,451	2,041	3,853	3,416	2,390	3,077	25,228
55 - 59 yrs	3,948	782	1,749	1,764	1,149	1,806	11,198
60 - 64 yrs	2,573	644	1,652	1,629	1,244	1,428	9,170
Total Females	65,027	14,695	23,634	20,760	14,132	14,589	152,837
All Persons							
< 20 yrs	6,531	2,167	3,171	2,313	0	0	14,182
20 - 24 yrs	23,368	6,723	8,137	9,397	8,872	7,030	63,527
25 - 34 yrs	50,293	11,213	19,366	20,054	15,854	14,926	131,706
35 - 44 yrs	31,853	7,724	15,121	15,510	12,086	13,703	95,997
45 - 54 yrs	22,830	5,131	10,608	11,201	8,902	12,453	71,125
55 - 59 yrs	8,305	1,949	4,616	5,014	3,771	6,027	29,682
60 - 64 yrs	5,743	1,603	4,207	4,696	3,760	4,204	24,213
Total	148,923	36,510	65,226	68,185	53,245	58,343	430,432

Table H6: Number of Persons on the Live Register in October by Sex and Duration, 2002 to 2011

Year	Male			Female			Overall Total
	< 1 yr	>= 1 yr	Total	< 1 yr	>= 1 yr	Total	
2002	64,586	29,107	93,693	50,106	13,866	63,972	157,665
2003	64,449	31,489	95,938	53,354	15,283	68,637	164,575
2004	59,478	30,529	90,007	49,889	14,148	64,037	154,044
2005	58,473	30,301	88,774	47,829	13,239	61,068	149,842
2006	57,050	31,632	88,682	46,675	13,912	60,587	149,269
2007	64,272	32,638	96,910	46,340	14,136	60,476	157,386
2008	122,358	40,030	162,388	68,038	16,103	84,141	246,529
2009	209,580	64,015	273,595	115,413	23,399	138,812	412,407
2010	173,572	108,027	281,599	108,373	39,581	147,954	429,553
2011	147,303	130,292	277,595	103,356	49,481	152,837	430,432

Source: Central Statistics Office

Graph H2: Number of Persons on the Live Register in October 2011, by Sex and Duration

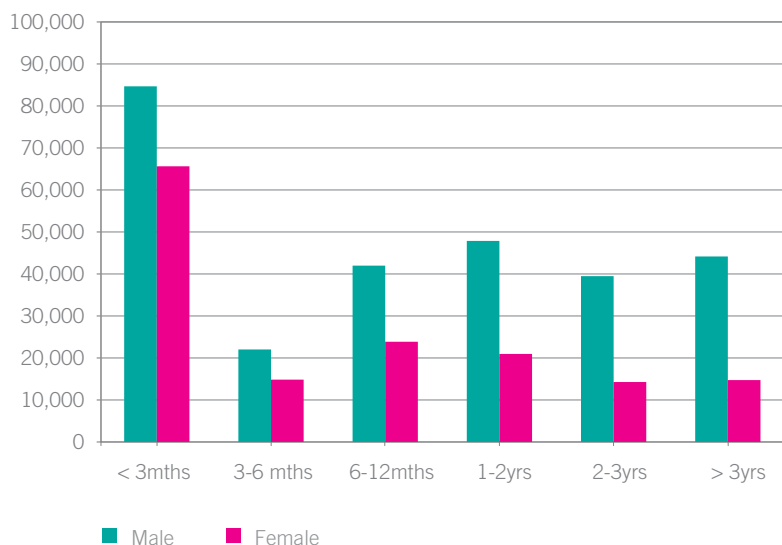


Table H7: Categories excluded from the Live Register: Number of Short-Time Workers, Self-Employed, Short-Term Enterprise Allowance, Work Placement Programme, JobBridge Internship Scheme and Persons aged 65, in each Month during 2011

Month	Short-Time Workers	Self-Employed	Short-Term Enterprise Allowance Scheme ⁽¹⁾	Work Placement Programme Graduate ⁽²⁾	Work Placement Programme Open ⁽²⁾	JobBridge Internship Scheme ⁽³⁾	Persons Aged 65 years
January	13,336	9,906	1,245	599	275	0	2,685
February	13,275	10,075	1,198	693	287	0	2,701
March	13,032	10,208	1,203	756	282	0	2,673
April	12,258	10,365	1,212	840	303	0	2,815
May	11,622	10,468	1,221	890	291	0	2,865
June	11,104	10,590	1,227	949	272	0	2,971
July	10,935	10,611	1,273	975	254	0	3,111
August	10,403	10,463	1,273	786	203	597	3,090
September	9,685	10,322	1,262	603	153	1,224	2,870
October	9,303	10,388	1,226	560	118	1,798	2,904
November	9,094	10,481	1,280	484	100	2,433	2,924
December	8,899	10,650	1,285	455	87	2,933	3,011
Average	11,079	10,377	1,242	716	219	1,797	2,885

(1) Short-Term Enterprise Allowance Scheme was introduced from the 1st May 2009.

(2) Work Placement Programme Graduate and Open were introduced from the 1st August 2009.

(3) JobBridge Internship Scheme commenced on 29th June 2011.

Table H8: Categories Excluded from the Live Register: Average number of Short-Time Workers, Self-Employed and Persons aged 65, 2002 to 2011

Year	Short-Time Workers	Self-Employed	Persons Aged 65 years
2002	3,131	1,547	821
2003	2,410	1,759	946
2004	1,829	1,764	962
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

Table H9: Average Live Register, Total Labour Force and Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rate, 2002 to 2011

Year	Average Live Register	Total Labour Force ⁽¹⁾	Average Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rate %
2002	163,361	1,862,100	4.4%
2003	172,415	1,912,700	4.6%
2004	166,013	1,982,100	4.4%
2005	157,116	2,078,100	4.4%
2006	157,398	2,162,400	4.4%
2007	162,292	2,239,900	4.5%
2008	227,069	2,222,700	6.4%
2009	398,159	2,155,200	11.8%
2010	441,689	2,122,200	13.7%
2011	444,905	2,109,800	14.2%

Source: Central Statistics Office

(1) Figures from 2002 onward revised by Central Statistics Office

Table H10: Number on the Live Register by County, 2002 to 2011

County	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Change
Carlow	2,079	2,227	2,223	2,065	1,965	2,448	4,395	6,578	6,794	6,732	223.8%
Cavan	2,002	2,128	2,072	2,211	2,287	2,628	5,073	7,189	7,498	7,227	261.0%
Clare	4,058	4,219	3,851	3,945	4,073	4,696	7,503	10,404	10,619	10,368	155.5%
Cork	17,456	17,200	15,920	15,533	15,208	16,696	28,064	43,637	44,651	43,651	150.1%
Donegal	9,897	10,149	9,440	8,637	8,774	9,107	15,264	20,748	21,712	21,596	118.2%
Dublin	41,455	43,562	39,361	39,933	38,505	40,832	67,505	101,172	101,962	102,269	146.7%
Galway	9,403	9,348	8,797	8,645	9,046	9,755	16,479	22,722	23,099	22,585	140.2%
Kerry	6,704	7,086	6,732	6,650	6,793	7,288	12,364	15,923	16,594	16,906	152.2%
Kildare	4,362	4,752	4,350	4,662	5,187	6,061	11,533	17,229	18,015	17,683	305.4%
Kilkenny	2,467	2,716	2,489	2,484	2,557	2,692	4,973	7,069	7,506	7,442	201.7%
Laois	2,049	2,196	2,014	1,980	2,034	2,787	5,378	7,679	8,560	8,575	318.5%
Leitrim	1,247	1,231	1,028	1,109	1,185	1,442	2,501	3,600	3,630	3,477	178.8%
Limerick	8,281	8,123	7,245	7,106	7,314	8,236	14,030	21,375	20,970	20,339	145.6%
Longford	1,810	1,820	1,736	1,800	1,941	2,378	3,840	5,157	5,254	5,121	182.9%
Louth	7,559	7,508	6,743	6,480	6,536	6,892	11,457	16,614	17,418	17,526	131.9%
Mayo	6,342	6,106	5,420	5,141	4,710	5,089	8,792	12,736	13,251	13,107	106.7%
Meath	2,844	3,218	3,137	3,001	3,038	3,557	6,977	11,071	12,016	11,726	312.3%
Monaghan	2,521	2,486	2,335	2,038	2,009	2,257	4,298	6,334	6,372	6,489	157.4%
Offaly	2,640	2,840	2,563	2,771	2,768	3,282	5,617	8,191	9,162	9,330	253.4%
Roscommon	1,513	1,389	1,266	1,190	1,285	1,512	2,694	3,820	4,002	3,980	163.1%
Sligo	2,388	2,236	2,043	1,938	1,859	2,136	3,530	4,992	5,404	5,239	119.4%
Tipperary	6,286	6,548	5,902	5,623	5,315	5,756	10,261	15,087	16,711	16,850	168.1%
Waterford	6,074	6,098	7,164	6,248	6,266	6,625	10,491	14,345	13,989	14,480	138.4%
Westmeath	3,305	3,628	3,658	3,599	3,800	4,102	7,284	9,996	10,154	10,240	209.8%
Wexford	7,058	7,141	6,773	6,615	6,710	7,511	12,978	18,156	19,278	19,366	174.4%
Wicklow	4,342	4,649	4,554	4,429	4,224	4,611	8,082	11,771	12,458	12,480	187.4%
Total	166,142	170,604	158,816	155,833	155,389	170,376	291,363	423,595	437,079	434,784	161.7%

Source: Central Statistics Office

**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 2011 the total number of registered claims that were finalised (cleared) was 2,203,383 of which 1,837,280 or 83% were awarded. The remainder (366,103) were either disallowed by the Department's staff or withdrawn by the client.

At the end of 2011 there were 107,853 claims pending award (i.e backlogs), 9% lower than at the end of 2010, which represented 4.4% of the total received claims (2,450,206).

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

Table J1: Claims Registered in Each Year

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	12,219	10,980	10,802	9,835	7,344
State Pension (Contributory)	n/a	32,053	30,595	32,940	36,281
State Pension (Transition)	n/a	14,481	15,401	20,184	22,719
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	7,867	7,275	7,662	7,534	7,549
Bereavement Grant - Sligo	9,479	13,022	17,320	17,568	18,763
Bereavement Grant - Longford	6,552	6,484	6,873	6,511	6,987
Total Pensions	36,117	84,295	88,653	94,572	99,643
Jobseeker's Allowance	109,949	169,879	273,653	263,942	239,667
One-Parent Family Payment	17,856	18,545	18,769	17,325	16,943
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,022	949	748	792	556
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	578,035	643,526
Jobseeker's Benefit	174,354	294,880	365,094	267,271	223,938
Maternity Benefit	46,632	51,314	48,980	50,078	50,430
Treatment Benefit ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	949,220	1,014,214	1,058,107	229,928	473,123
Total Working Age Income Supports	1,299,033	1,549,781	1,765,351	1,407,371	1,648,183
Disability Allowance	19,989	21,358	20,794	21,409	24,264
Blind Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	219	208
Carer's Allowance	18,097	18,928	16,574	18,212	17,758
Domiciliary Care Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	5,529	5,191
Respite Care Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	6,420	6,574
Illness Benefit	305,733	308,859	309,031	289,962	296,730
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	n/a	n/a	14,739	15,157	14,177
Invalidity Pension	8,186	7,757	7,475	8,774	14,621
Disablement Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,652	1,775
Carer's Benefit	n/a	n/a	n/a	2,080	2,060
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	352,005	356,902	368,613	369,414	383,358
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	n/a	37,118	40,468	21,400	30,417
Child Benefit - EU Regulation ⁽¹⁾	n/a	6,962	4,773	1,146	1,267
Child Benefit - Over 16 ⁽¹⁾	n/a	99,108	87,543	36,648	72,226
Child Benefit - Additional Child ⁽¹⁾	n/a	42,689	36,210	19,009	40,476
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	n/a	15,428	22,190	22,472	23,453
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	n/a	27,593	24,369	25,638	27,761
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	176	173
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	431	498
Widowed Parents Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,224	1,178
Total Children	n/a	228,898	215,553	128,144	197,449
Household Benefits	n/a	62,684	85,890	107,353	101,812
Living Alone Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	10,105	11,093
Free Travel	n/a	57,988	55,292	9,065	8,668
Total Supplementary Payments	n/a	120,672	141,182	126,523	121,573
Grand Total Claims Registered	1,687,155	2,340,548	2,579,352	2,126,024	2,450,206

(1) 2010 Child Benefit and Treatment Benefit statistics are lower than usual due to incomplete returns for the year

(2) 2011 Treatment Benefit figures represent the changes in entitlements introduced in the 2011 Budget.

(3) Domestic Claims only, 2009.

Graph J1: Claims Registered in Each Year

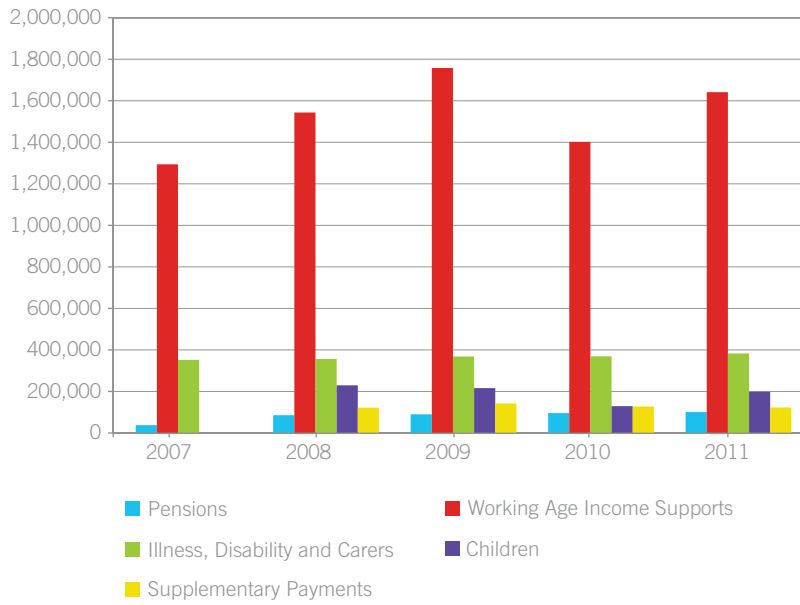


Table J2: Claims Awarded in Each Year

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	8,812	7,797	7,811	7,191	5,730
State Pension (Contributory)	n/a	12,201	21,478	23,194	25,964
State Pension (Transition)	n/a	10,059	10,467	11,243	12,775
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	6,716	6,145	6,110	5,872	5,870
Bereavement Grant - Sligo	7,545	12,791	15,431	15,862	16,993
Bereavement Grant - Longford	5,633	5,377	5,428	5,918	5,926
Total Pensions	28,706	54,370	66,725	69,280	73,258
Jobseeker's Allowance	77,193	99,522	176,912	191,144	174,491
One-Parent Family Payment	12,120	14,447	13,967	12,127	12,178
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	701	586	449	533	377
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	193,014	292,641
Jobseeker's Benefit	154,607	241,471	317,620	234,020	197,369
Maternity Benefit	n/a	48,410	48,367	48,806	48,827
Treatment Benefit ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	823,084	907,241	1,006,232	217,854	447,908
Total Working Age Income Supports	1,067,705	1,311,677	1,563,547	897,498	1,173,791
Disability Allowance	11,684	13,176	10,179	8,306	9,246
Blind Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	117	106
Carer's Allowance	9,109	15,457	10,730	8,769	7,465
Domiciliary Care Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	3,103	2,686
Respite Care Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	5,486	4,965
Illness Benefit	302,285	276,081	262,864	249,166	259,008
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	14,380	13,762	11,516	12,289	11,616
Invalidity Pension	5,909	5,431	4,580	3,597	2,657
Disablement Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,293	1,310
Carer's Benefit	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,965	1,941
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	343,367	323,907	299,869	294,091	301,000
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	n/a	36,350	44,244	22,382	34,735
Child Benefit - EU Regulation ⁽¹⁾	n/a	6,165	4,272	724	1,371
Child Benefit - Over 16 ⁽¹⁾	n/a	98,695	88,054	36,488	72,248
Child Benefit - Additional Child ⁽¹⁾	n/a	42,566	36,594	18,940	40,501
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	n/a	14,551	12,573	14,328	13,631
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	n/a	25,247	20,539	22,101	23,787
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	106	117
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	309	350
Widowed Parents Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	995	1,091
Total Children	n/a	223,574	206,276	116,373	187,831
Household Benefits	n/a	49,112	66,793	90,990	83,889
Living Alone Allowance	n/a	n/a	N/a	9,157	10,425
Free Travel	n/a	56,432	52,638	7,200	7,086
Total Supplementary Payments	n/a	105,544	119,431	107,347	101,400
Grand Total Claims Cleared	1,439,778	2,019,072	2,255,848	1,484,589	1,837,280

(1) 2010 Child Benefit and Treatment Benefit statistics are lower than usual due to incomplete returns for the year

(2) 2011 Treatment Benefit figures represent the changes in entitlements introduced in the 2011 Budget.

(3) Domestic Claims only, 2009.

Graph J2: Claims Awarded in Each Year

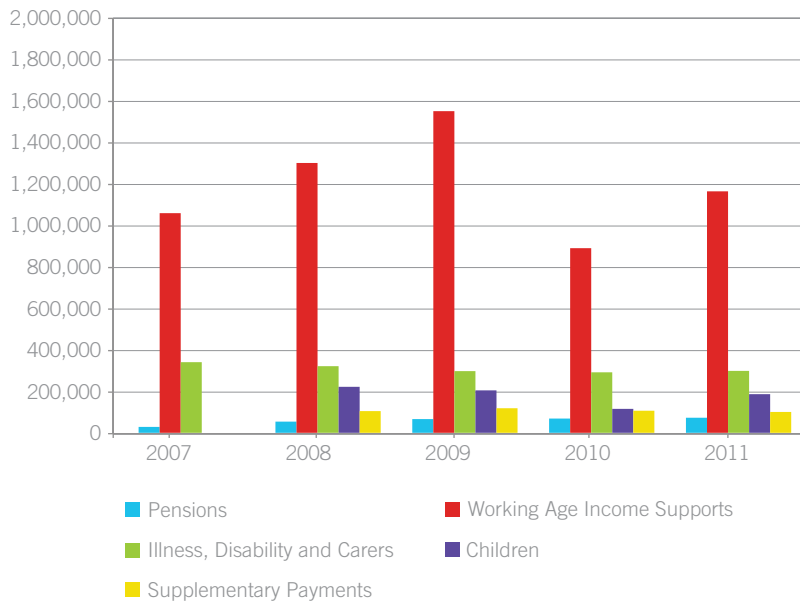


Table J3: Claims Cleared (i.e Awarded, Disallowed or Withdrawn by Client) in Each Year

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	11,875	10,991	10,950	9,916	8,737
State Pension (Contributory)	n/a	38,461	44,377	38,655	38,676
State Pension (Transition)	n/a	22,939	23,427	24,308	24,236
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	7,799	7,166	7,536	7,703	7,622
Bereavement Grant - Sligo	9,617	13,021	16,919	17,363	18,627
Bereavement Grant - Longford	6,666	6,402	6,376	6,957	7,027
Total Pensions	35,957	98,980	109,585	104,902	104,925
Jobseeker's Allowance	77,193	155,134	257,137	273,386	245,855
One-Parent Family Payment	12,120	19,928	19,711	18,165	18,594
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	1,059	964	791	854	576
Supplementary Welfare Allowance ⁽¹⁾	n/a	n/a	n/a	240,766	349,789
Jobseeker's Benefit	154,607	285,494	381,869	287,397	242,318
Maternity Benefit	44,425	54,859	50,395	50,165	50,601
Treatment Benefit ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	940,869	1,032,868	1,064,803	228,647	484,896
Total Working Age Income Supports	1,230,273	1,549,247	1,774,706	1,099,380	1,392,629
Disability Allowance	18,959	21,962	20,504	19,248	24,145
Blind Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	206	221
Carer's Allowance	13,918	21,682	17,957	16,629	13,886
Domiciliary Care Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	6,416	6,491
Respite Care Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	6,722	6,473
Illness Benefit	302,285	308,989	312,468	287,846	298,644
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	14,380	15,755	14,837	15,119	14,240
Invalidity Pension	7,960	7,596	7,513	7,614	12,829
Disablement Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,545	1,785
Carer's Benefit	n/a	n/a	n/a	2,957	2,919
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	357,502	375,984	373,279	364,302	381,633
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	n/a	36,914	47,459	23,224	36,079
Child Benefit - EU Regulation ⁽²⁾	n/a	7,129	5,582	1,064	1,890
Child Benefit - Over 16 ⁽²⁾	n/a	98,715	88,054	36,488	72,248
Child Benefit - Additional Child ⁽²⁾	n/a	42,576	36,594	18,940	40,501
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	n/a	20,661	20,034	21,753	20,573
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	n/a	28,582	23,903	24,616	25,746
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	163	189
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	n/a	n/a	n/a	444	504
Widowed Parents Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,247	1,161
Total Children	n/a	234,577	221,626	127,939	198,891
Household Benefits	n/a	64,107	80,172	107,976	101,509
Living Alone Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	10,957	12,605
Free Travel	n/a	58,542	55,946	10,701	11,191
Total Supplementary Payments	n/a	122,649	136,118	129,634	125,305
Grand Total Claims Cleared	1,623,732	2,381,437	2,615,314	1,826,157	2,203,383

(1) Approximately 300,000 Exceptional Needs Payments that are registered but automatically closed on the system are not reflected in these cleared figures.

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

(3) 2011 Treatment Benefit figures represent the changes in entitlements introduced in the 2011 Budget.

(4) Domestic Claims only, 2009.

Graph J3: Claims Cleared (i.e. Awarded, Disallowed or Withdrawn by Client) in Each Year

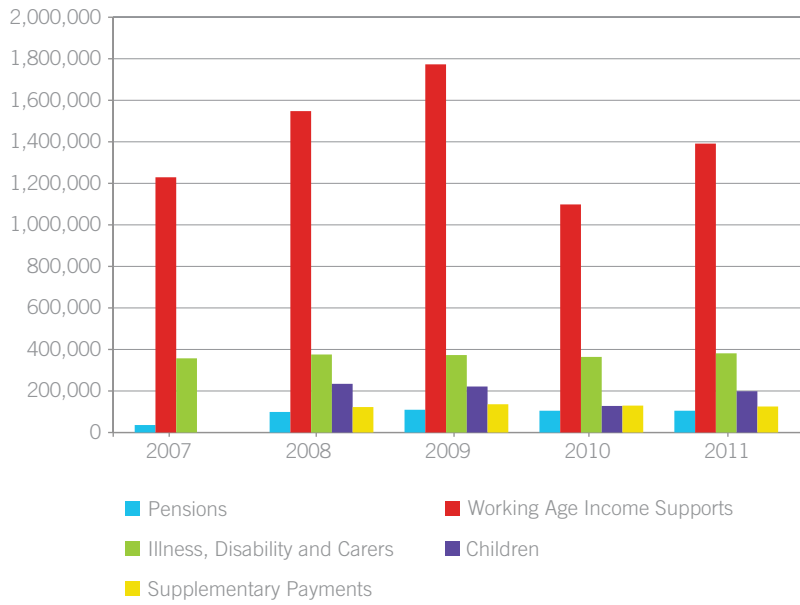


Table J4: Claims Pending 31st December in each Year, 2007 to 2011

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	n/a	1,415	1,639	1,507	1,869
State Pension (Contributory)	5,283	4,405	3,264	2,826	2,888
State Pension (Transition)	3,096	1,632	1,608	1,731	2,009
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	n/a	626	567	430	367
Bereavement Grant - Sligo	n/a	119	582	806	954
Bereavement Grant - Longford	339	439	634	175	141
Total Pensions	8,718	8,636	8,294	7,475	8,228
Jobseeker's Allowance	10,119	24,529	37,664	26,377	21,880
One-Parent Family Payment	4,737	5,267	5,562	5,250	4,249
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	n/a	149	197	134	110
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	5,670	6,371
Jobseeker's Benefit	10,752	21,071	13,919	11,659	9,065
Maternity Benefit	n/a	4,499	3,084	2,997	2,826
Treatment Benefit	31,380	12,726	20,002	16,872	5,099
Total Working Age Income Supports	56,988	68,241	80,428	68,959	49,600
Disability Allowance	5,729	4,619	4,770	6,880	6,999
Blind Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	52	39
Carer's Allowance	6,323	3,569	2,186	3,769	7,765
Domiciliary Care Allowance	n/a	n/a	556	690	819
Respite Care Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	361	462
Illness Benefit	n/a	8,696	5,259	7,375	5,461
Interim Illness Benefit/Occupational Injury	n/a	347	249	287	224
Invalidity Pension	1,418	1,578	1,541	2,701	6,814
Disablement Pension	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,972	1,962
Carer's Benefit	n/a	n/a	n/a	356	449
Total Illness, Disability and Caring	13,470	18,809	14,561	24,443	30,994
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad ⁽¹⁾	n/a	575	2,153	1,260	654
Child Benefit - EU Regulation	n/a	3,002	2,071	3,071	2,413
Child Benefit - Over 16	1,170	1,563	1,052	160	138
Child Benefit - Additional Child	515	628	244	69	44
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	5,585	778	4,414	5,133	8,013
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	4,593	1,722	1,632	2,654	4,669
Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory)	n/a	n/a	64	78	63
Guardian's Payment (Contributory)	n/a	n/a	134	121	116
Widowed Parents Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	28
Total Children	11,863	8,268	11,764	12,546	16,138
Household Benefits	n/a	2,233	5,967	4,582	2,566
Living Alone Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	455	300
Free Travel	n/a	66	153	31	27
Total Supplementary Payments	n/a	2,299	6,120	5,068	2,893
Grand Total Claims Pending	91,039	106,253	121,167	118,491	107,853

(1) Domestic Claims only, 2009.

Graph J4: Claims Pending 31st December in each Year, 2007 to 2011

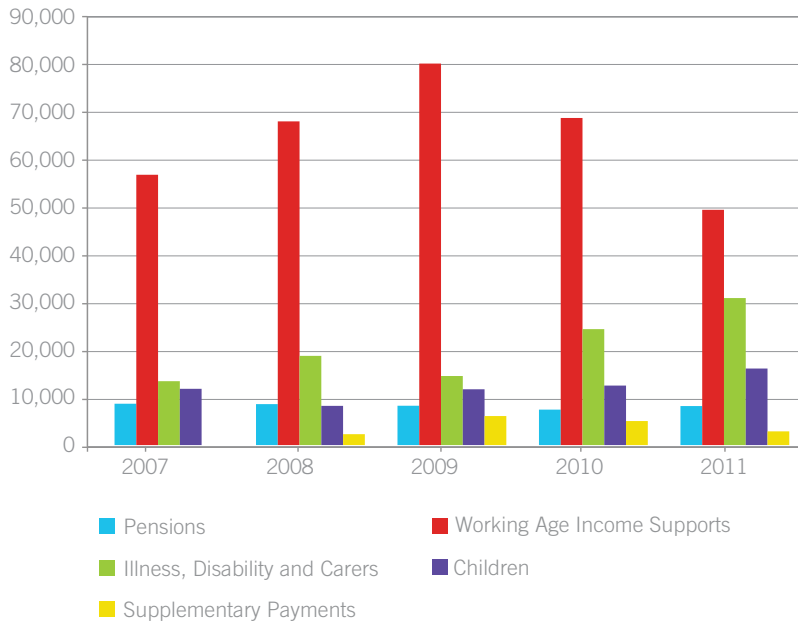


Table J5: Average Weeks to Award Received Claims

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Pensions					
State Pension (Non-Contributory)	8	9	8	9	10
State Pension (Contributory)	n/a	16	13	7	5
State Pension (Transition)	n/a	6	6	4	4
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension	5	4	2	3	2
Bereavement Grant - Sligo	3	1	1	1	1
Bereavement Grant - Longford	n/a	2	4	4	3
Working Age Income Supports					
Jobseeker's Allowance	3	5	6	6	5
One-Parent Family Payment	10	11	13	16	16
Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil Partner's Non-Contributory Pension	7	9	9	11	10
Supplementary Welfare Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	1
Jobseeker's Benefit	2	2	3	2	2
Illness, Disability and Caring					
Disability Allowance	16	15	15	14	17
Carer's Allowance	12	15	9	8	n/a
Domiciliary Care Allowance	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	9
Illness Benefit	1	1	1	1	1
Invalidity Pension	8	10	12	13	n/a
Children					
Child Benefit - Domestic & Formerly Resident Abroad	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3
Child Benefit - EU Regulation	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	51
Family Income Supplement - New Claims	n/a	13	8	10	17
Family Income Supplement - Claim Renewals	n/a	5	8	10	18
Widowed Parents Grant	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	1
Supplementary Payments					
Household Benefits	n/a	2	3	3	2
Free Travel	n/a	1	1	4	4

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 and 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, 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 and 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

Bereavement Grant
 Death Benefit
 State Pension (Contributory)
 State Pension (Transition)
 State Pension (Non-Contributory)
 Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil
 Partner's Contributory Pension

2. Working Age Income Supports

Adoptive Benefit
 Deserted Wife's Benefit
 Deserted Wife's Allowance
 Exceptional and Urgent Needs Payments
 Farm Assist
 Health and Safety Benefit
 Heating and Diet Supplements
 Jobseeker's Benefit
 Jobseeker's Allowance
 Maternity Benefit
 One Parent Family Payment
 Pre-Retirement Allowance
 Basic Supplementary Welfare Allowance
 Widow's, Widower's or Surviving Civil
 Partner's Non-Contributory Pension

3. Working Age Employment Supports

Back to Education Allowance
 Back to Work Allowance
 Back to Work Enterprise Allowance
 Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme
 Short Term Enterprise Allowance
 Work Placement Programme Graduate
 Work Placement Programme Open
 JobBridge Internship Scheme
 Community Employment Programme
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 Rural Social Scheme

4. Illness, Disability and Carers

Domiciliary Care Allowance
 Illness Benefit
 Invalidity Pension
 Disability Allowance
 Blind Pension
 Carer's Benefit
 Carer's Allowance
 Injury Benefit
 Disablement Benefit
 Medical Care

5. Children

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

6. Supplementary Payments

Rent and Mortgage Interest Supplement
 Household Benefits and Free Travel

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, Carer's Benefit, Jobseeker's Benefit, Maternity Benefit, Health and Safety Benefit, Adoptive Benefit, Treatment Benefit, Widowed or Surviving Civil Partner Grant, Bereavement Grants and 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 and 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	State Pension (Contributory)
Old Age (Non-Contributory) Pension	State Pension (Non-Contributory)
Retirement Pension	State Pension (Transition)
Unemployment Benefit	Jobseeker's Benefit
Unemployment Assistance	Jobseeker's Allowance
Unemployability Supplement	Incapacity Supplement
Disability Benefit	Illness Benefit
Orphan's (Contributory) Allowance	Guardian's Payment (Contributory) ⁽¹⁾
Orphan's (Non-Contributory) Allowance	Guardian's Payment (Non-Contributory) ⁽¹⁾

(1) Scheme name changed effective from July 2006

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