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

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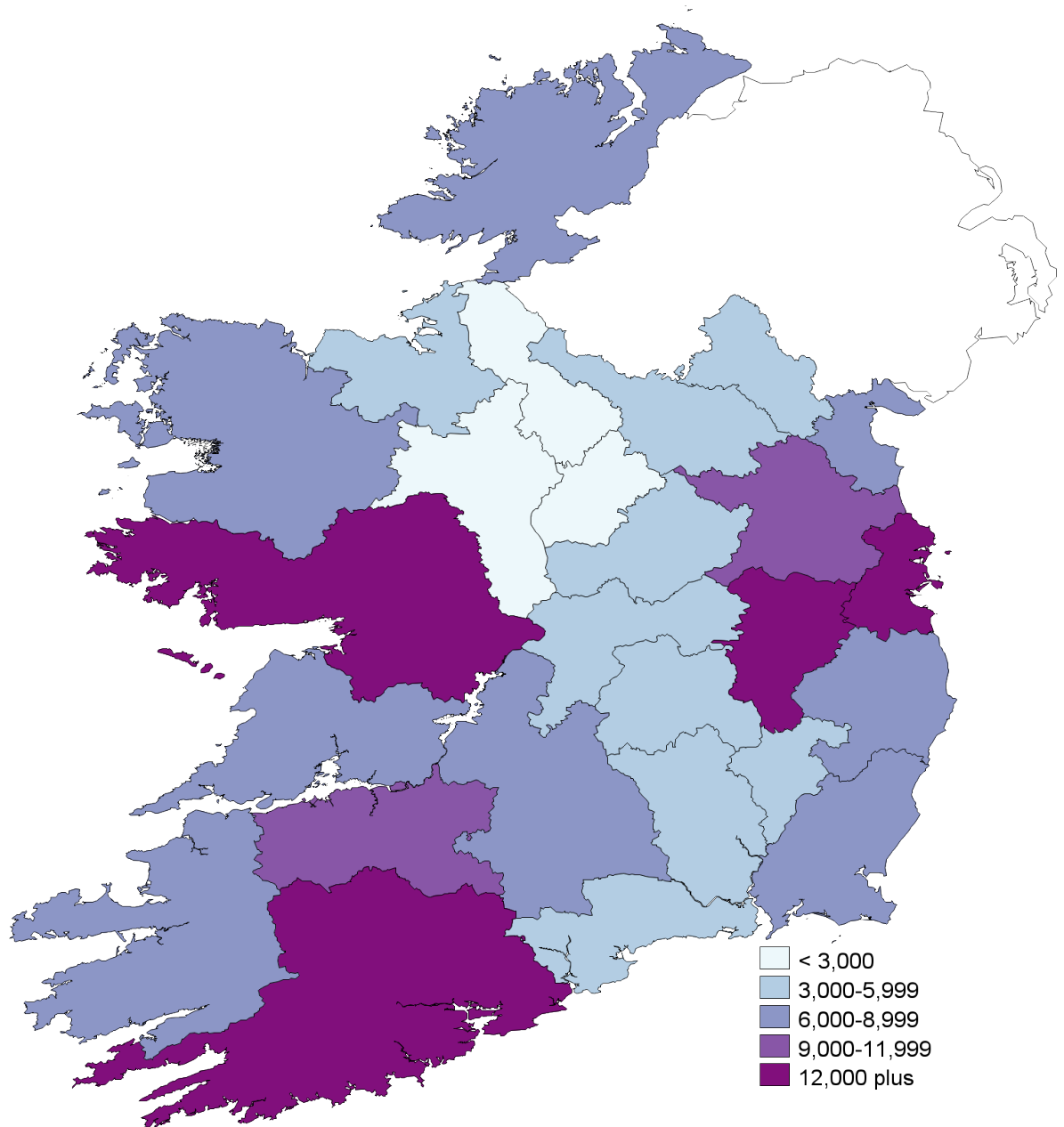
Analysis of Pandemic Unemployment Payments

There are 262,500 people in receipt a Pandemic Unemployment Payment of which 122,700 are female and 139,800 are male.

A total of 704,500 people have received at least one payment since the scheme started.
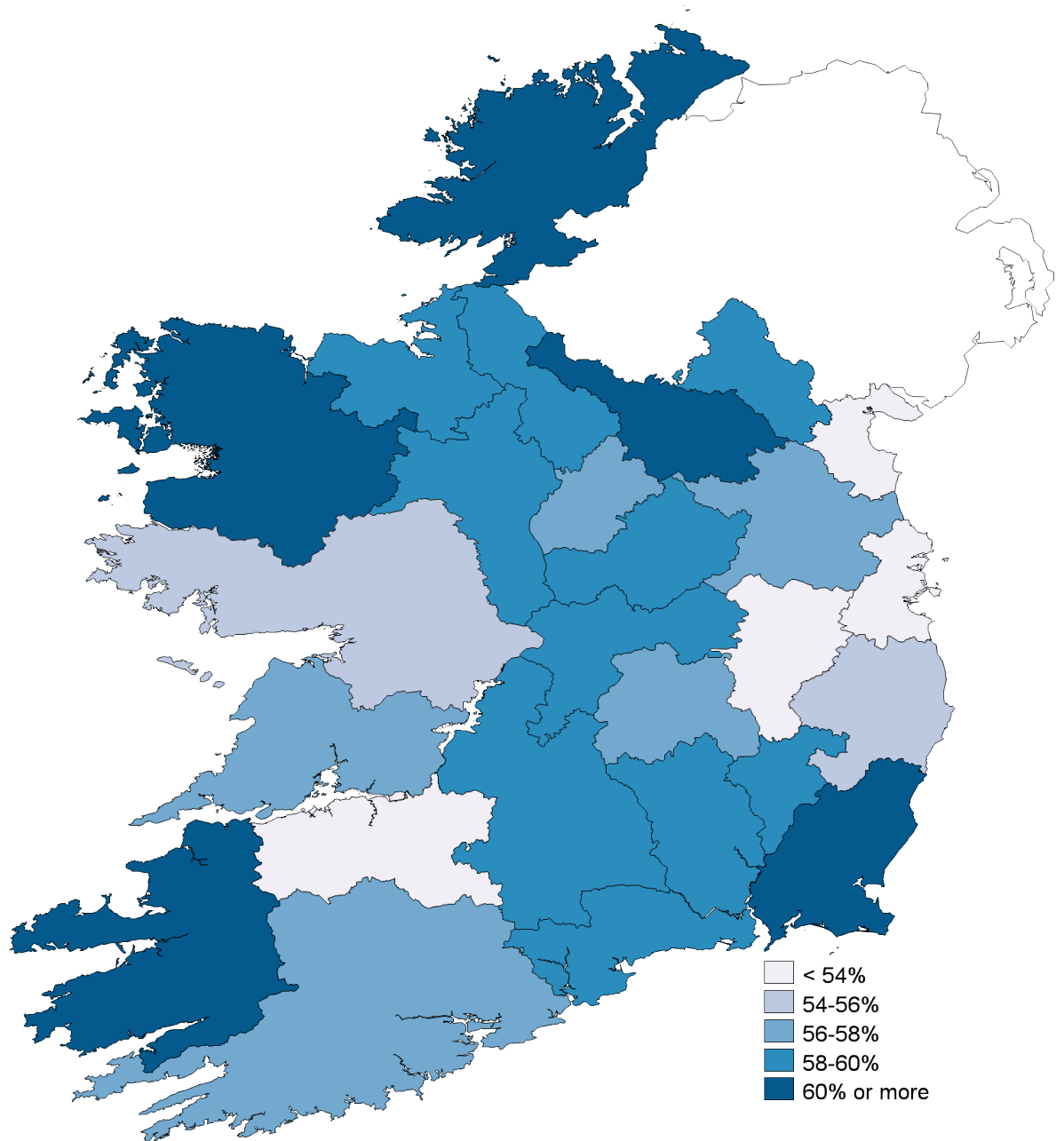
County Breakdown

County	Number of people in receipt of a Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 11th August	Number of people in receipt of a Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 4th August	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 5th May
Carlow	3,000	3,200	7,800
Cavan	3,600	3,800	9,700
Clare	5,800	6,000	14,600
Cork	25,000	26,300	61,900
Donegal	8,100	8,500	22,700
Dublin	91,500	95,100	174,200
Galway	13,900	14,600	32,300
Kerry	8,200	8,700	22,200
Kildare	11,900	12,300	26,100
Kilkenny	4,000	4,200	10,600
Laois	3,600	3,700	8,600
Leitrim	1,500	1,700	4,100
Limerick	10,100	10,600	22,300
Longford	1,900	1,900	4,500
Louth	8,000	8,300	17,300
Mayo	6,000	6,400	16,400
Meath	10,500	11,100	25,000
Monaghan	3,300	3,400	8,200
Offaly	3,500	3,600	8,900
Roscommon	2,800	2,900	7,100
Sligo	3,000	3,200	7,700
Tipperary	7,600	8,000	18,800
Waterford	5,600	5,800	14,100
Westmeath	4,700	4,900	11,700
Wexford	7,000	7,500	20,500
Wicklow	8,000	8,400	18,700
County not included	400	500	2,000
Total	**262,500**	**274,600**	**598,000**

Total pandemic unemployment payments by county

- < 3,000
- 3,000-5,999
- 6,000-8,999
- 9,000-11,999
- 12,000 plus

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

Legend:
- < 54%
- 54-56%
- 56-58%
- 58-60%
- 60% or more

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Sector breakdowns

The sector with the highest number of people in receipt of the Pandemic Unemployment Payment is Accommodation and Food Service Activities (55,100), followed by Wholesale and Retail Trade (37,200) and Administrative and Support Service activities (26,400). The largest weekly drop was in Accommodation and Food Service activities (4,100).

Sector Breakdown

Sector Breakdown Industrial Sector	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 11th August	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 4th August	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 5th May
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	3,800	3,900	8,600
Manufacturing	14,300	14,800	37,400
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	1,000	1,000	2,100
Construction	22,100	23,000	79,300
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	37,200	38,800	90,300
Transportation and storage	10,600	10,900	17,900
Accommodation and food service activities	55,100	59,200	128,500
Information and communication activities	7,600	7,800	11,800
Financial and insurance activities	6,600	6,800	12,500
Real Estate activities	3,900	4,100	8,100
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	12,900	13,300	24,800
Administrative and support service activities	26,400	27,200	45,800
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	6,200	6,400	14,400
Education	15,500	15,900	22,000
Human Health And Social Work activities	11,100	11,600	22,500
Arts, entertainment and recreation	6,900	7,400	14,200
Other Sectors	12,100	12,900	39,200
Unclassified or unknown	9,200	9,600	18,600
Total	**262,500**	**274,600**	**598,000**

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

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Age Profile

Age category	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 11th August	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 4th August
< 25	53,800	56,900
25-34	59,300	62,300
35-44	59,000	61,700
45-54	49,900	51,900
55+	40,500	41,800
Total	**262,500**	**274,600**

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Rates breakdown by gender

There are 71,200 people receiving €203 this week, while the remainder (191,300) are receiving a payment of €350.

Gender	Number of people in receipt of €350 on 11th August	Number of people in receipt of €203 on 11th August
Male	105,300	34,500
Female	86,000	36,700
Total	**191,300**	**71,200**

Pandemic Unemployment Payment Rates breakdown by age

Age category	Number of people in receipt of €350 on 11th August	Number of people in receipt of €203 on 11th August
< 25	35,900	17,900
25-34	47,500	11,800
35-44	44,400	14,600
45-54	36,000	13,900
55+	27,500	13,000
Total	**191,300**	**71,200**

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

Around 8,400 people who have closed their account for return to work since 1st August will receive a Pandemic Unemployment Payment tomorrow, 11th August. Of these, 4,300 are male and 4,100 are female.

County	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment from 11th August	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment from 4th August
Carlow	100	100
Cavan	200	100
Clare	200	200
Cork	800	1,000
Donegal	300	300
Dublin	2,300	2,200
Galway	500	500
Kerry	300	300
Kildare	400	400
Kilkenny	200	200
Laois	100	100
Leitrim	100	100
Limerick	300	300
Longford	100	100
Louth	300	200
Mayo	200	200
Meath	300	300
Monaghan	100	100
Offaly	100	100
Roscommon	100	100
Sligo	100	100
Tipperary	200	300
Waterford	200	200
Westmeath	200	200
Wexford	300	300
Wicklow	300	200
County not included	100	100
Total	**8,400**	**8,300**

Closed Pandemic Unemployment Payments - Sector Breakdown

The top three sectors from which employees closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment in the week ending 11th August are Accommodation and Food Service Activities (2,300); Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles (1,100), and Construction (700).

Sector Breakdown

Industrial Sector	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment from 11th August	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment from 4th August
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	100	100
Manufacturing	500	400
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	0	0
Construction	700	700
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	1,100	1,100
Transportation and storage	300	200
Accommodation and food service activities	2,300	2,600
Information and communication activities	300	200
Financial and insurance activities	200	200
Real Estate activities	100	100
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	400	300
Administrative and support service activities	600	600
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	200	200
Education	300	300
Human Health And Social Work activities	400	300
Arts, entertainment and recreation	300	300
Other Sectors	400	500
Unclassified or unknown	200	200
Total	**8,400**	**8,300**

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

<u>Closed</u> Pandemic Unemployment Payments – Age Profile

Age category	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment from 11th August	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment from 4th August
< 25	1,900	2,100
25-34	2,100	1,900
35-44	1,800	1,900
45-54	1,500	1,400
55+	1,100	1,000
Total	**8,400**	**8,300**

Analysis of Pandemic Unemployment Payments Recipients who closed their claim since start of Phase 1 and who are currently receiving the Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme (TWSS)

Since the start of Phase 1 on 18th May, 90,600 people have closed their claims for the Pandemic Unemployment Payment for reasons of returning to work and are currently being subsidised by the Government's Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme (TWSS). Of this total 48,200 are female and 42,400 are male.

Sector Breakdown

The top three sectors from which people closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment who are currently receiving the Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme are Accommodation and Food Service Activities (33,300); Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles (17,100) and Construction (9,500).

Sector Breakdown Industrial Sector	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment payment for return to work reasons since 18th May and receiving the TWSS on 11th August
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	500
Manufacturing	6,200
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	100
Construction	9,500
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	17,100
Transportation and storage	1,200
Accommodation and food service activities	33,300
Information and communication activities	700
Financial and insurance activities	600
Real Estate activities	1,300
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	2,300
Administrative and support service activities	2,400
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	400
Education	1,100
Human Health And Social Work activities	2,600
Arts, entertainment and recreation	2,800
Other Sectors	8,400
Unclassified or unknown	100
Total	**90,600**

Age Profile of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment to return to work since 18th May and receiving TWSS

Age category	Number of people who closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment for return to work reasons since May 18th and who are in receipt of the Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme at 11th August
< 25	21,300
25-34	21,800
35-44	22,300
45-54	15,600
55+	9,600
Total	**90,600**

Analysis of COVID-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit

There are 54,100 people medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 related Illness Benefit payment, of whom 30,200 are female and 23,900 are male.

For 150 people the date of their first certificate was issued in August 2020, of which 14 have been certified for Covid-19.

The following Table shows the number of people medically certified for meeting the conditions for receipt of a Covid-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit payment, by start date entered on the medical certificate.

The number of people medically certified with having Coronavirus is given in brackets and is included in the weekly overall figure shown.

Certificate start date	August 11th
Before March 2020	200 (7)
March 2020	31,100 (990)
April 2020	14,500 (2,025)
May 2020	5,000 (764)
June 2020	1,500 (125)
July 2020	1,650 (107)
August 2020 (to date)	150(14)
Total	**54,100 (4,032)**

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

County	Number of people who are medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit on 11th August
Carlow	700
Cavan	1,400
Clare	1,000
Cork	6,200
Donegal	1,200
Dublin	15,600
Galway	3,300
Kerry	1,100
Kildare	2,700
Kilkenny	1,100
Laois	900
Leitrim	200
Limerick	1,900
Longford	500
Louth	1,600
Mayo	1,300
Meath	2,100
Monaghan	800
Offaly	900
Roscommon	900
Sligo	500
Tipperary	1,800
Waterford	1,600
Westmeath	1,000
Wexford	1,800
Wicklow	1,700
Other (NI & Foreign Address)	300
Total	**54,100**

Covid-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit - Sector Breakdown

The sector with the highest number of people medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 Illness Benefit payment is Human Health and Social Work (11,900), followed by Wholesale and Retail Trade (11,500) and Manufacturing (7,400).

Sector Breakdown Industrial Sector	Number of people who are medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit on 11th August
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	500
Manufacturing	7,400
Electricity, gas, steam supply; Water supply; Sewerage, waste management	300
Construction	2,100
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	11,500
Transportation and storage	2,100
Accommodation and food service activities	2,200
Information and communication activities	900
Financial and insurance activities	2,300
Real Estate activities	500
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	1,800
Administrative and support service activities	5,300
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	2,200
Education	900
Human Health And Social Work activities	11,900
Arts, entertainment and recreation	300
Other Sectors	1,500
Unclassified or unknown	400
Total	**54,100**

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

Enhanced Illness Benefit Age Profile

Age category	Number of people medically certified to receive Enhanced Illness Benefit on 11th August
< 25	6,200
25-34	13,100
35-44	15,300
45-54	11,500
55+	8,000
Total	**54,100**