

# Local Property Tax (LPT) Statistics

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(Preliminary)

The statistics in this release are based on preliminary analysis of returns filed and other LPT related information. Work on refining the LPT Register is ongoing and consequently the data included are not final data and a certain amount of estimation has been required.

The statistics in this release focus on LPT 2020.

Updates will be published in due course at:

<https://www.revenue.ie/en/corporate/information-about-revenue/statistics/local-property-tax/index.aspx>. Statistics for earlier years are also available on the same page.

Any queries of a statistical nature in relation to LPT should be directed to [statistics@revenue.ie](mailto:statistics@revenue.ie).

## COVID-19

Due to the effects of the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic, Revenue has been monitoring the situation to ensure that property owners do not suffer undue hardship from having to meet their LPT liability for 2020 during this difficult time.

This included the extension from March to July of the collection date for those property owners paying by single annual deduction.

Revenue will engage with any property owners who may be so affected and is making every effort to assist those who are experiencing difficulties in making payment.

## 2020 LPT Receipts

LPT receipts of €344m have been transferred to the Local Government Fund in 2020 to date.

LPT receipts include Household Charge (HHC) arrears. Revenue assumed responsibility for the collection of arrears of HHC from 1 July 2013. Since then €73m of HHC has been collected (including €0.5m to date in 2020).

## 2020 LPT Compliance

The compliance rate for 2020 is currently at 92%.\*

Since January 2020, in excess of 39,400 compliance letters, for LPT liabilities for all years, have issued. The vast majority of property owners have fully complied with their LPT obligations.

Since January 2020, 9,610 tax clearance requests were refused on foot of LPT non-compliance, of which almost 97% were subsequently granted clearance following the agreement of mutually acceptable payment solutions. 4,363 Income Tax and Corporation Tax surcharges have been applied on foot of LPT non-compliance. Of the cases for which reviews were requested, over 70% of the surcharges have been removed or mitigated following payment of LPT liabilities.

Revenue has deducted LPT at source for 2020 on a mandatory basis for over 88,600 properties, most of which were subject to mandatory deduction in 2019. In addition, over 14,529 valuations have been increased arising from a combination of self-correction and Revenue challenges.

These numbers will fluctuate over time as property owners opt to regularise their LPT affairs.

\* The compliance rate is calculated on an expected Register number extrapolated from Central Statistics Office Census 2011 / 2016 information and data collected from the administration of LPT since 2013. Work is ongoing to validate the Register.

## Local Adjustment Factor 2020

Twenty-three Local Authorities availed of the opportunity to vary the rate of LPT for 2020 (compared to the standard LPT rate), covering nearly 1.4m properties (excluding Local Authority owned properties) and advised Revenue of their decision by 30 September 2019.

Revenue has made the necessary changes automatically for property owners.

The table below shows a range of LPT payment amounts for 2020 after the application of the Local Adjustment Factor for LPT 2020.

Where no Local Adjustment Factor changes have been made, the standard LPT rates apply: 0.18% on valuation bands up to €1m, 0.25% on the value over €1m.

Band	Property Value Range	Standard Rate (€)	+15% (€)	+10% (€)	+7.5% (€)	+5% (€)	+2.5% (€)	-10% (€)	-15% (€)
1	€0-100k	90	104	99	97	95	92	81	76
2	€100-150k	225	259	247	242	237	231	203	191
3	€150-200k	315	362	346	339	331	323	284	267
4	€200-250k	405	466	445	435	425	415	365	344
5	€250-300k	495	569	544	532	520	507	446	420
6	€300-350k	585	673	643	629	614	600	527	497
7	€350-400k	675	776	742	726	709	692	608	573
8	€400-450k	765	880	841	822	803	784	689	650
10	€500-550k	945	1,087	1,039	1,016	992	969	851	803
12	€600-650k	1,125	1,294	1,237	1,209	1,181	1,153	1,013	956
14	€700-750k	1,305	1,501	1,435	1,403	1,370	1,338	1,175	1,109
16	€800-850k	1,485	1,708	1,633	1,596	1,559	1,522	1,337	1,262
18	€900-950k	1,665	1,915	1,831	1,790	1,748	1,707	1,499	1,415
€1m	€1m+	1,800	2,070	1,980	1,935	1,890	1,845	1,620	1,530
€1.5m	€1m+	3,050	3,508	3,355	3,279	3,203	3,126	2,745	2,592
		<b>8 Councils</b>	<b>Clare Donegal Kilkenny Longford Limerick Leitrim Monaghan Offaly Roscommon Sligo</b>	<b>Wexford Kerry Laois Tipperary Wicklow</b>	<b>Kildare</b>	<b>Carlow Cork County</b>	<b>Waterford</b>	<b>Fingal</b>	<b>Dublin City DLR South Dublin</b>

## Local Authority Analysis – Collection and Compliance to Date for 2020

This analysis is preliminary, there is an element of estimation in particular with regard to the distribution of numbers and amounts by Local Authority.

Local Authority	Properties Returned *	Compliance Rate **	LPT Collected ***
	2020 (000s)	2020 (%)	2020 (€ million)
Carlow	22.0	92.5	3.4
Cavan	29.3	91.9	3.7
Clare	50.7	93.1	9.7
Cork City	81.7	91.0	17.2
Cork County	131.0	94.6	27.7
Donegal	69.6	87.7	10.7
Dublin City	221.6	90.2	58.4
DLR	81.0	94.0	36.7
Fingal	99.7	94.6	26.5
Galway City	31.0	93.4	7.1
Galway County	68.7	91.9	12.0
Kerry	66.1	91.5	13.5
Kildare	76.0	93.0	18.0
Kilkenny	35.3	92.1	7.0
Laois	29.2	92.0	4.3
Leitrim	15.4	89.3	2.1
Limerick City & Co.	75.8	91.7	14.7
Longford	16.3	90.3	2.0
Louth	47.9	89.7	7.6
Mayo	56.7	90.5	8.9
Meath	65.8	92.0	13.3
Monaghan	22.0	91.4	3.7
Offaly	27.4	90.5	4.6
Roscommon	26.9	92.4	3.9
Sligo	29.2	91.5	5.1
South Dublin	94.5	93.9	21.0
Tipperary	62.8	92.5	11.0
Waterford City & Co.	49.0	91.7	8.1
Westmeath	34.3	91.6	5.2
Wexford	61.8	92.5	11.1
Wicklow	51.0	93.3	15.3
	<b>1,829</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>394</b>

(Please note that rounding may affect figures displayed)

\*Includes rollover instructions (0.8m), new instructions (0.7m), Local Authority owned properties returned to date (0.14m) and properties where mandatory deduction at source (0.1m) has been applied.

\*\* The compliance rate is calculated on an expected Register number extrapolated from Central Statistics Office Census 2011 / 2016 information and data collected from the administration of LPT since 2013. Work is ongoing to validate the Register.

\*\*\* \*LPT collected for 2020 includes €66m in prepayments received in 2019 and €328m received in 2020. This includes amounts paid by Local Authorities in respect of properties they own and payments collected through mandatory deduction at source. Not included in the €394m is approximately €0.5m in Household Charge received during 2020. Local Government Fund receipts collected in 2020 also include €16m for LPT in previous years.

## Local Authority Analysis – Mandatory Deduction at Source for 2020

Mandatory deduction at source has been applied for approximately 89,000 properties for LPT 2020. The table below shows the distribution of these properties by Local Authority.

These figures fluctuate as property owners regularise their affairs.

Analysis is preliminary and there is an element of estimation in particular with regard to the distribution of numbers by Local Authority.

Local Authority	Mandatory Deduction At Source Properties LPT 2020 (%)
Carlow	1.4
Cavan	1.8
Clare	2.8
Cork City	4.1
Cork County	7.1
Donegal	3.5
Dublin City	9.6
DLR	2.5
Fingal	6.1
Galway City	1.5
Galway County	4.0
Kerry	2.8
Kildare	4.9
Kilkenny	2.2
Laois	2.3
Leitrim	0.9
Limerick City & Co.	4.4
Longford	0.9
Louth	3.5
Mayo	2.8
Meath	4.6
Monaghan	1.2
Offaly	1.8
Roscommon	1.5
Sligo	1.6
South Dublin	5.6
Tipperary	3.4
Waterford City & Co.	2.9
Westmeath	2.3
Wexford	3.3
Wicklow	2.5
	<b>100</b>

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## Payment Types for 2020

Payment Type	2020 LPT* (%)
Annual Debit Instruction**	18.7
Credit Card	6.3
Debit Card	17.1
Direct Debit	23.9
Single Debit Authority	0.7
Deduct at Source	15.4
Service Provider	12.6
Other Payment	5.4
	<b>100</b>

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\* Annual Debit Instruction (ADI) is an elective payment for one year or multiple years.

## Claims for Exemption or Deferral for 2020

Based on currently available information, there are around 49,000 claims for exemption from returned properties for 2020.

Exemption Type (Self-Assessment)	2020 LPT	
	Number (000s)	%
Charitable bodies (recreational activities)	0.2	0.5
Charitable bodies (special needs accommodation)	8.7	18
Certain properties purchased between 1/1/2013 and 31/12/2013	11	22.8
Properties fully chargeable to commercial rates	2.5	5.1
Properties vacated because of long term mental/physical infirmity	7.8	16.1
Mobile homes	0.3	0.6
Registered nursing homes	0.3	0.6
Significant pyrite damage	1.9	3.9
Residence of severely incapacitated individual	2.1	4.3
Unfinished housing estates	3.3	6.8
Trading stock of builder/developer (unsold at 1/5/2013 or sold in the period since 1/1/2013)*	10.3	21.4
	<b>48.5</b>	<b>100</b>

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\* Only includes properties where the liable person filed a return claiming the exemption. Where new and previously unused properties were purchased during the current valuation period (2013-2019) there is no obligation to file an LPT return as they are not liable to the tax until the next valuation period. Revenue does however capture data relating to new and previously unused properties on the LPT Register via Stamp Duty records and through various other information sources but they are not included here as they are considered not liable for 2013-2019.

Based on currently available information, there are around 47,000 claims for deferral in 2020. The majority are claimed through LPT returns but some deferrals (e.g., for Significant Financial Loss) need to be claimed on separate forms submitted to Revenue.

Claims for Deferral	LPT 2020	
	Number (000s)	%
Executor/Administrator of an Estate	0.5	1.1
Significant Financial Loss	0.2	0.5
Below Income Threshold	44.8	96.7
Insolvent Liable Person	0.8	1.7
	<b>47</b>	<b>100</b>

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\*2020 figures are preliminary estimates, based on 2019 rollover and new instructions received to date for 2020