

COVID-19 Support Schemes

Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme (EWSS)

Preliminary Statistics

(as at 5 May 2022)

These statistics are provisional and will be revised

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The EWSS is an economy-wide enterprise support. The Scheme provides a subsidy to qualifying employers based on the numbers of eligible employees on the employer's payroll. EWSS replaced the Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme (TWSS) from 1 September 2020. The TWSS and the EWSS are operated by Revenue through the payroll system. EWSS payments are paid following the receipt of a payroll submission containing an EWSS claim and provide a significant positive cashflow boost for businesses.

There are **4,000** employers currently registered with Revenue for EWSS.

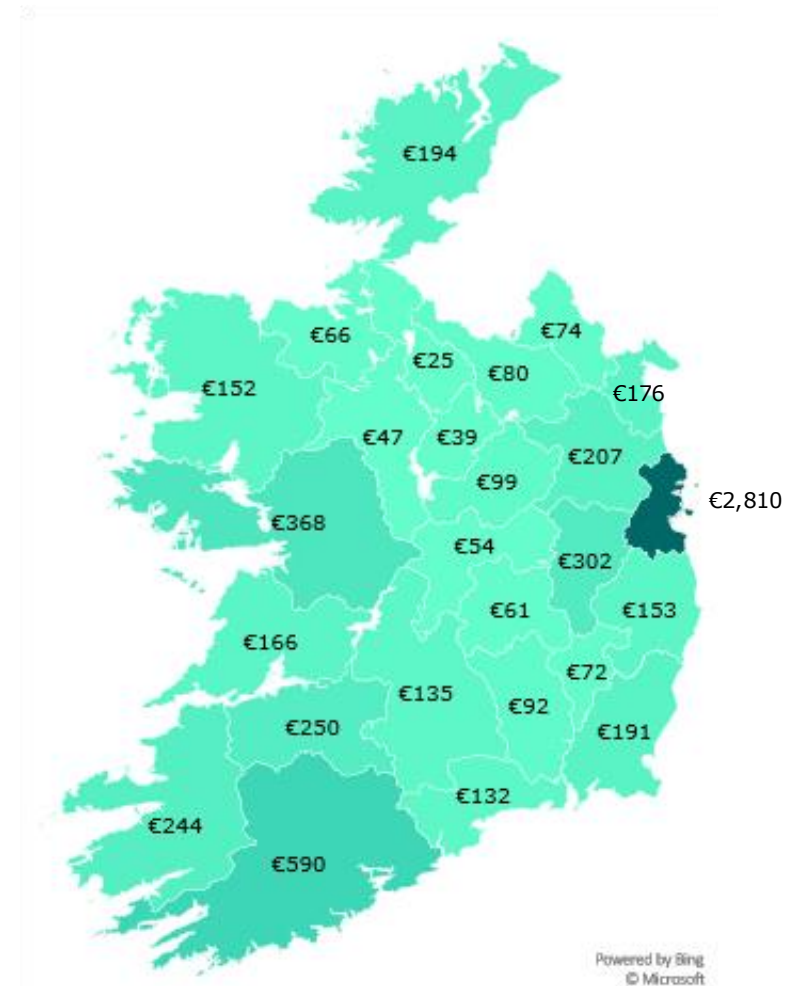
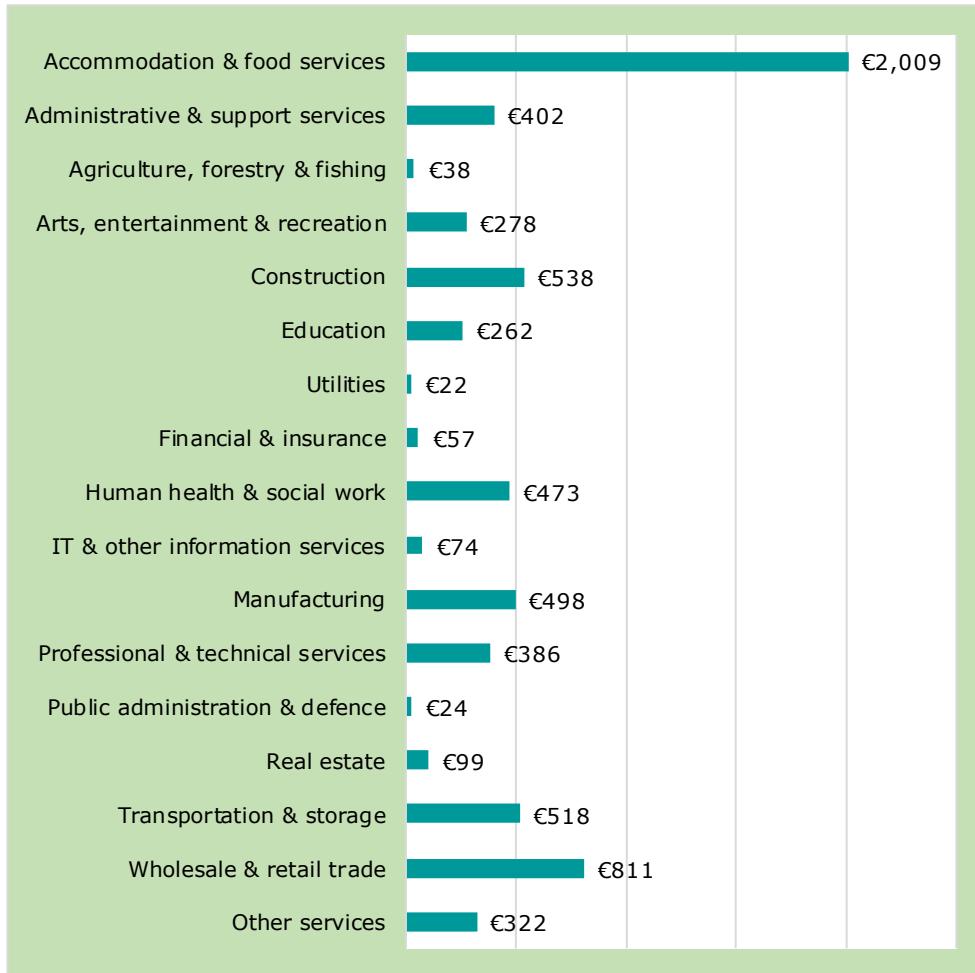
EWSS Table 1: Payments Processed by Revenue

Claim Month	EWSS Payments	PRSI Forgone**	Employers	Employees
July/August 2020*	€34.7	€7.3	6,500	32,300
September	€255.7	€60.9	33,600	342,800
October	€353.5	€64.5	35,600	340,700
November	€334.2	€51.6	30,800	266,300
December	€406.4	€62.2	32,500	316,800
January 2021	€396.8	€60.7	36,600	343,700
February	€380.3	€58.7	35,800	303,200
March	€390.0	€60.4	35,500	301,000
April	€407.5	€63.0	34,600	296,300
May	€362.0	€55.3	35,100	300,400
June	€412.7	€62.0	34,500	343,700
July	€449.5	€65.4	31,800	341,000
August	€387.9	€56.6	28,700	320,000
September	€390.5	€57.2	27,400	311,400
October	€363.5	€52.7	26,000	291,400
November	€335.5	€49.1	24,700	283,400
December	€374.6	€55.1	24,100	280,600
January 2022	€306.8	€44.6	23,200	267,300
February	€224.5	€44.3	22,200	259,300
March	€142.4	€0	21,400	262,900
April	€99	€0	20,000	252,200
May (to date)	€0.6	€0	300	5,800
All Months	€6,808.3	€1,031.7	51,900	739,500

*EWSS claims for July/August 2020 in respect of newly or seasonally hired employees who were ineligible for the TWSS;

**Employer PRSI forgone due to the reduced rate of PRSI on wages paid which are eligible for EWSS (until 1 March 2022).

EWSS Table 2: Subsidy Payments by County and by Sector All Months (all amounts in € millions)



Amounts cover all EWSS months including March to date.

Further Information

Information on the operation of the COVID-19 support schemes are available on www.revenue.ie.

Queries of a statistical nature in relation to the Schemes can be sent to statistics@revenue.ie. Media queries should be directed to revpress@revenue.ie in the first instance.

Weekly statistics updates on COVID-19 support schemes are available [here](#).

Revenue published weekly statistics on TWSS employers and employees for the duration of the Scheme as well as a comprehensive statistical overview of the TWSS now that payslips for the relevant period are finalised ([here](#), excel version [here](#)). The Central Statistics Office (CSO) also published information on TWSS recipients by age, gender, location and sector ([here](#)). The CSO is publishing monthly estimates of the number of persons being directly supported by the EWSS, included in the Live Register release ([here](#)).