

COVID-19 Support Schemes

Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme (EWSS)

Preliminary Statistics

(as at 7 April 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 **22,500** employers currently registered with Revenue for EWSS.

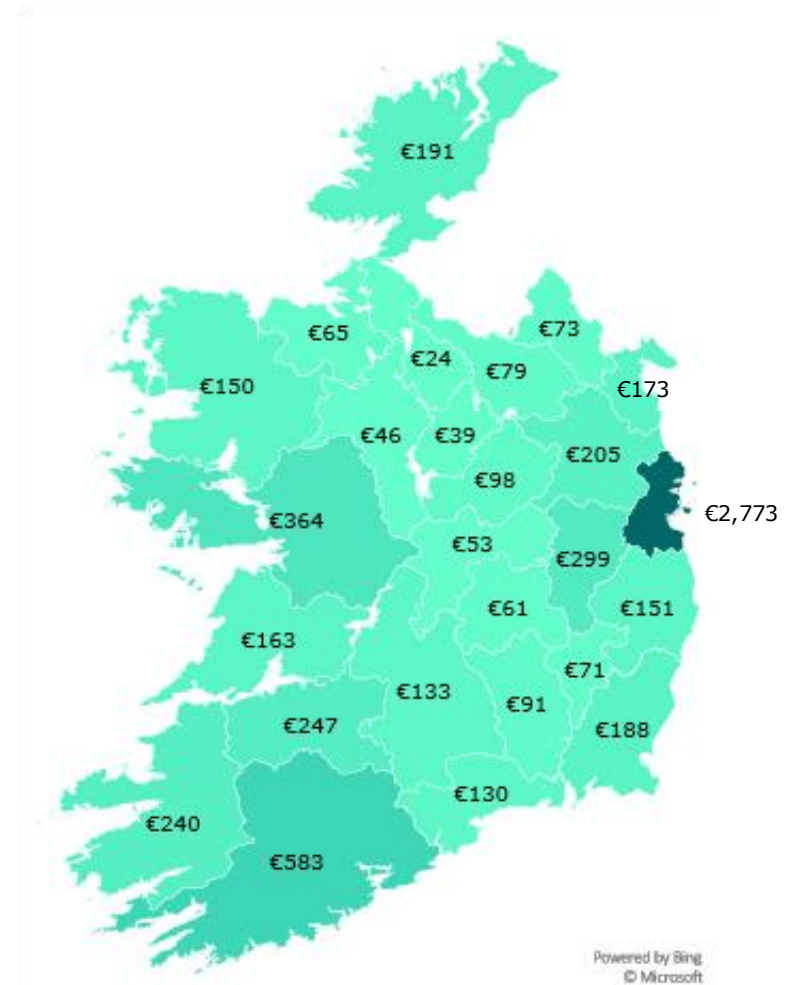
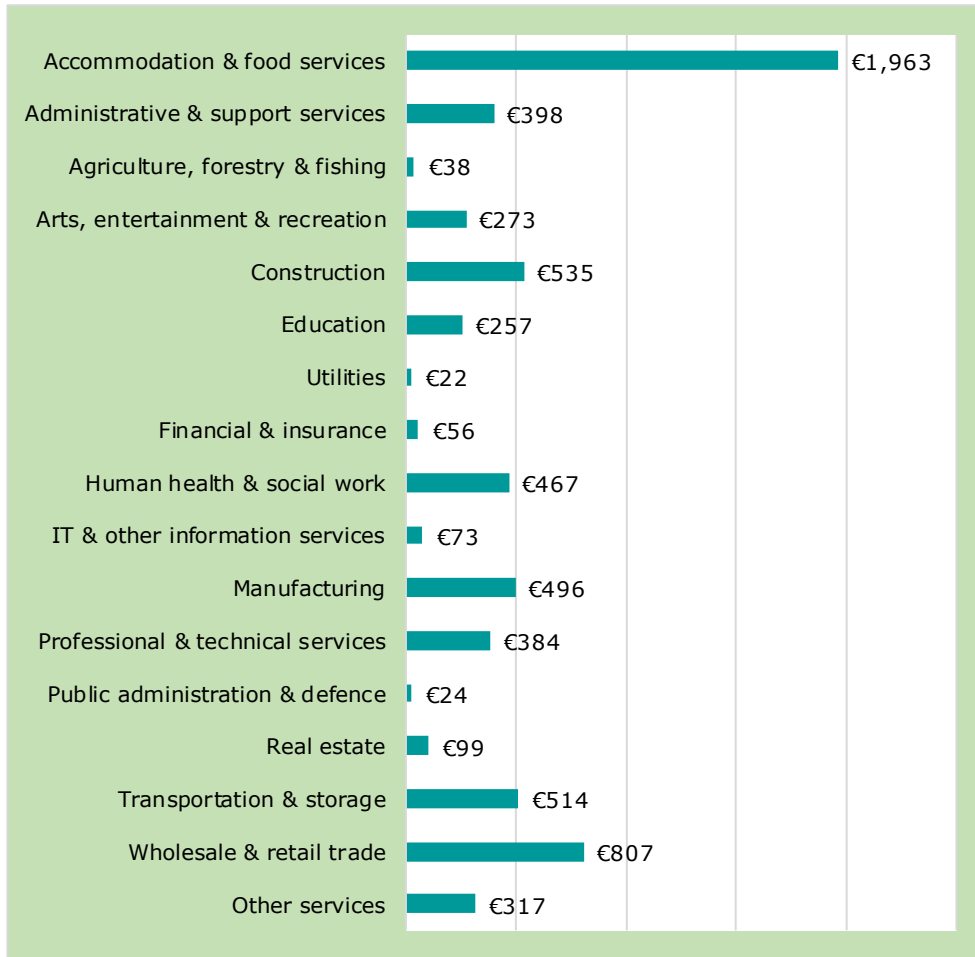
EWSS Table 1: Payments Processed by Revenue

Claim Month	EWSS Payments	PRSI Forgone**	Employers	Employees
July/August 2020*	€34.7m	€7.3m	6,500	32,300
September	€255.9m	€60.9m	33,600	343,000
October	€353.6m	€64.5m	35,600	340,800
November	€334.4m	€51.6m	30,800	266,500
December	€406.6m	€62.3m	32,600	317,000
January 2021	€397.1m	€60.7m	36,700	344,000
February	€380.6m	€58.8m	35,800	303,500
March	€390.3m	€60.5m	35,600	301,300
April	€407.9m	€63.0m	34,700	296,600
May	€362.5m	€55.4m	35,100	300,800
June	€413.2m	€62.0m	34,500	344,100
July	€450.2m	€65.5m	31,800	341,600
August	€388.3m	€56.7m	28,700	320,400
September	€390.9m	€57.2m	27,500	311,800
October	€363.7m	€52.8m	26,000	291,500
November	€335.8m	€49.1m	24,800	283,600
December	€374.9m	€55.2m	24,100	280,900
January 2022	€306.5m	€44.5m	23,200	267,200
February	€224.2m	€44.3m	22,100	258,500
March	€140.0m	€0.0m	20,900	258,400
April (to date)	€10.0m	€0.0m	9,000	85,000
All Months	€6,722m	€1,033m	51,900	730,200

*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](#)).