

COVID-19 Support Schemes

Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme (EWSS)

Preliminary Statistics

(as at 31 March 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.

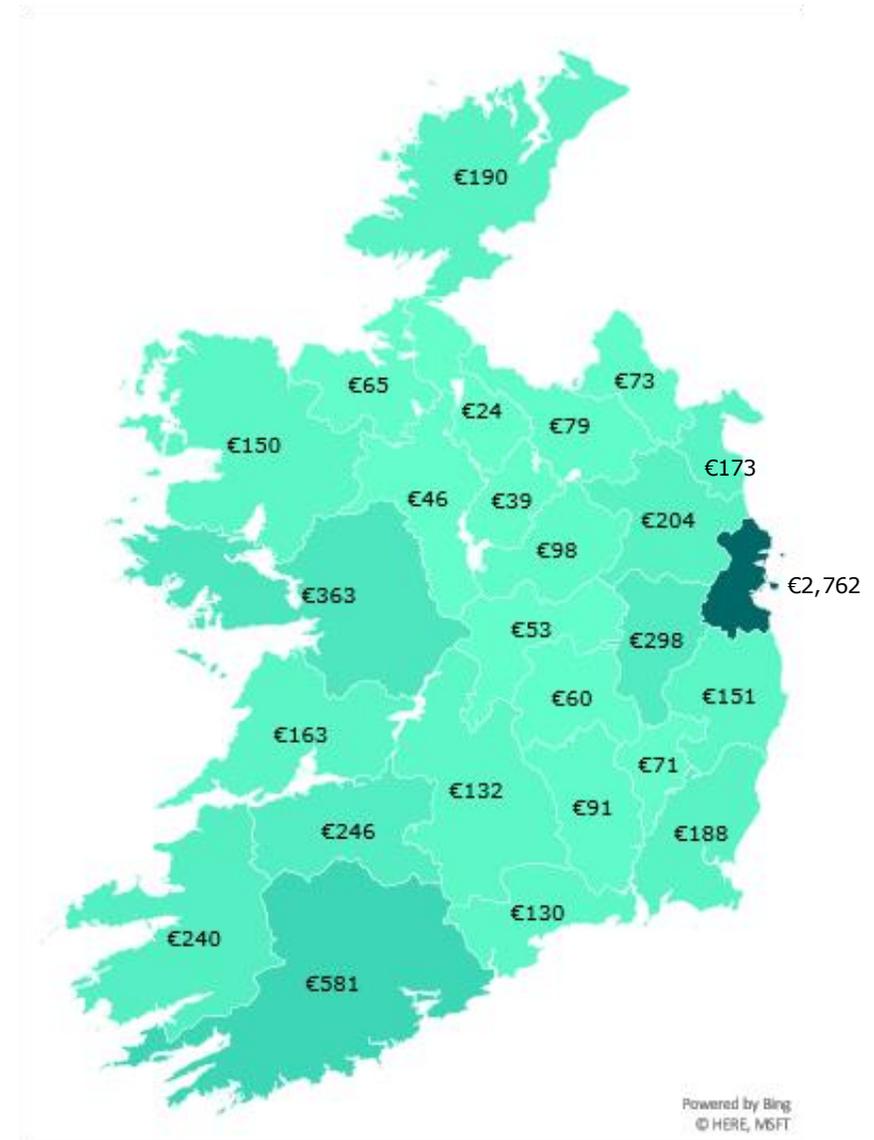
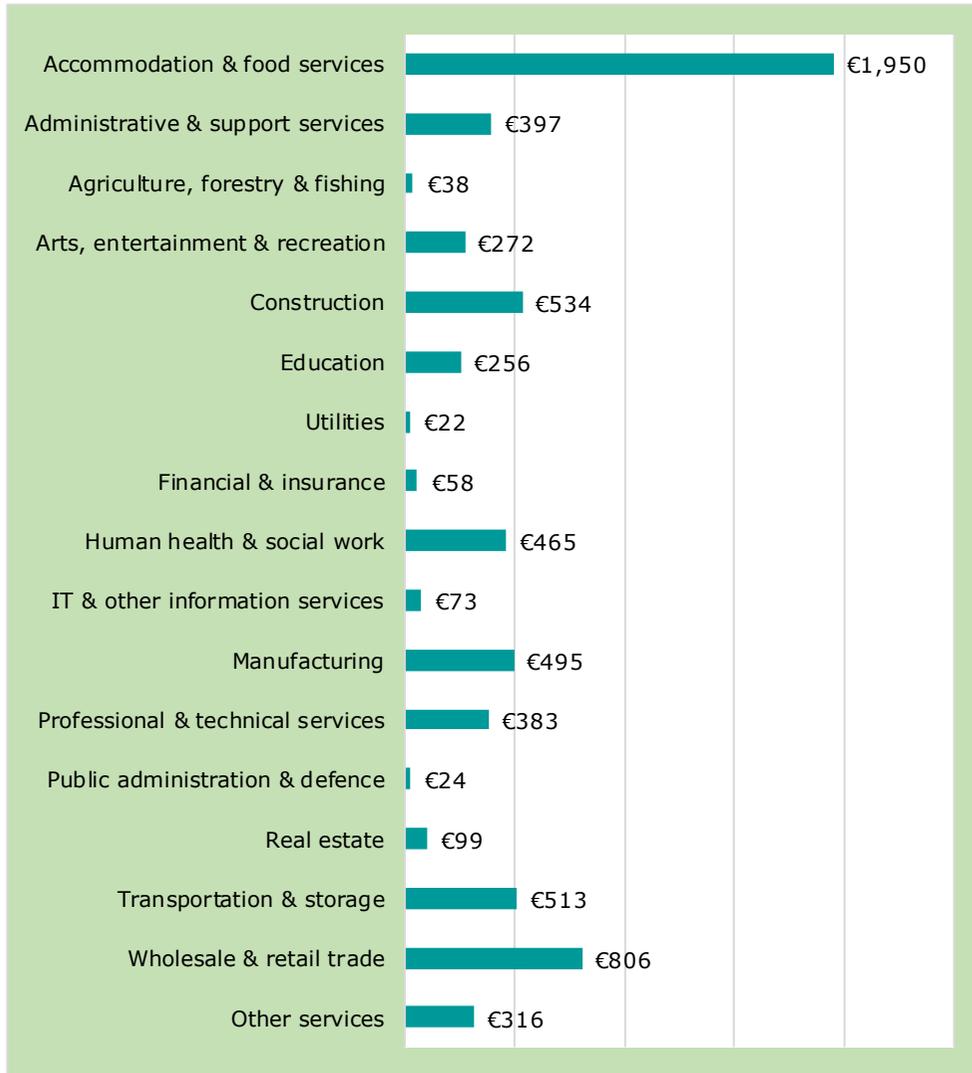
There are **22,500** employers currently registered with Revenue for EWSS.

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	343,100
October	€353.7m	€64.5m	35,700	341,000
November	€334.4m	€51.6m	30,800	266,600
December	€406.7m	€62.3m	32,600	317,100
January 2021	€397.2m	€60.8m	36,700	344,000
February	€380.7m	€58.8m	35,800	303,600
March	€390.4m	€60.5m	35,600	301,400
April	€408.0m	€63.0m	34,700	296,700
May	€362.6m	€55.4m	35,100	301,000
June	€413.4m	€62.0m	34,600	344,200
July	€450.5m	€65.6m	31,900	342,000
August	€388.5m	€56.7m	28,800	320,700
September	€391.0m	€57.2m	27,500	311,900
October	€363.8m	€52.8m	26,100	291,600
November	€336.0m	€49.2m	24,800	283,800
December	€375.0m	€55.2m	24,100	280,900
January 2022	€306.4m	€44.5m	23,200	267,100
February	€223.2m	€44.3m	22,100	258,200
March (to date)	€125.9m	€0.0m	19,600	247,200
All Months	€6,699m	€1,033m	51,900	728,600

*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](#)).