COVID-19 Support Schemes

Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme (EWSS)

Preliminary Statistics

(as at 26 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.

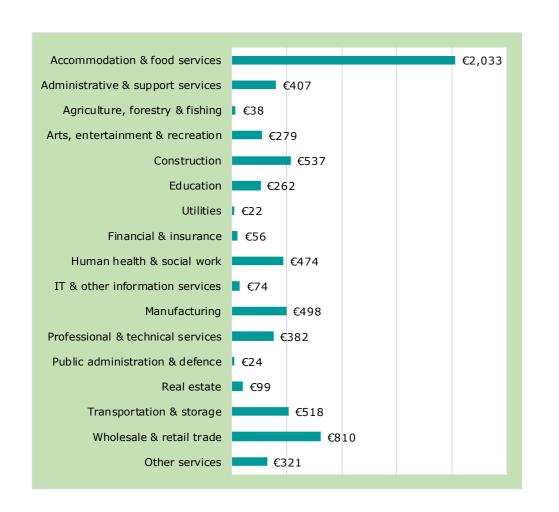
EWSS Table 1: Payments Processed by Revenue

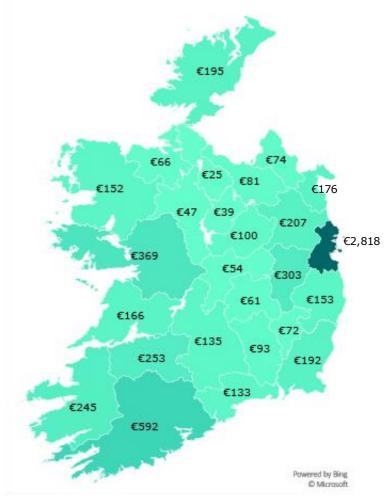
Claim Month	EWSS Payments	PRSI Forgone**	Employers	Employees
July/August 2020*	€34.7	€7.3	6,500	32,300
September	€255.5	€60.8	33,500	342,400
October	€353.2	€64.4	35,600	340,400
November	€333.8	€51.5	30,800	266,000
December	€405.2	€62.0	32,500	315,300
January 2021	€396.7	€60.7	36,600	343,600
February	€380.2	€58.7	35,700	303,100
March	€389.8	€60.4	35,500	300,900
April	€407.3	€62.9	34,600	296,200
May	€361.7	€55.3	35,000	300,200
June	€412.4	€61.9	34,400	343,400
July	€449.0	€65.3	31,700	340,600
August	€387.8	€56.6	28,600	319,700
September	€390.1	€57.1	27,400	311,100
October	€363.1	€52.7	26,000	291,100
November	€335.3	€49.1	24,700	283,200
December	€374.2	€55.1	24,100	280,400
January 2022	€306.5	€44.5	23,200	267,100
February	€224.4	€44.3	22,200	259,400
March	€142.5	€0.0	21,500	263,800
April	€103.0	€0.0	20,700	259,500
May (to date)	€25.5	€0.0	3,600	89,200
All Months	€6,831.8	€1,030.8	51,900	743,900

^{*}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 April 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).

