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Details of adults accessing local authority managed emergency accommodation during the week of 24-30 May 2021

Region	<i>Homeless adults</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
Dublin	4,054	2,654	1,400
Mid-East	327	223	104
Midlands	80	51	29
Mid-West	286	198	88
North-East	91	67	24
North-West	83	55	28
South-East	178	132	46
South-West	495	348	147
West	249	145	104
TOTAL	5,843	3,873 (66%)	1,970 (34%)

Region	<i>Ages 18-24</i>	<i>Ages 25-44</i>	<i>Ages 45-64</i>	<i>Ages 65+</i>
Dublin	500	2,357	1,136	61
Mid-East	53	172	91	11
Midlands	20	44	15	1
Mid-West	35	173	73	5
North-East	13	46	22	10
North-West	17	44	21	1
South-East	33	98	41	6
South-West	65	279	135	16
West	44	127	70	8
TOTAL	780 (13%)	3,340 (57%)	1,604 (27%)	119 (2%)

<i>Accommodation Types*</i>				
Region	<i>PEA</i>	<i>STA</i>	<i>TEA</i>	<i>Other</i>
Dublin	2,196	1,914	26	0
Mid-East	197	127	3	0
Midlands	54	10	16	0
Mid-West	51	202	33	0
North-East	22	50	19	0
North-West	38	29	13	3
South-East	40	138	0	0
South-West	324	175	0	0
West	119	130	0	0
TOTAL	3,041	2,775	110	3

* Note: clients may have accessed multiple accommodation types during the week

Adults in Emergency Accommodation

24-30 May 2021 adults in emergency accommodation by county



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Homelessness by county during the week of 24-30 May 2021

Counties ¹		
Dublin	Dublin	4,054 (69%)
Mid-East	Kildare	144
	Meath	155
	Wicklow	28
	Sub-Total	327 (6%)
Midlands	Laois	18
	Longford	10
	Offaly	26
	Westmeath	26
	Sub-Total	80 (1%)
Mid-West	Clare	65
	Limerick	221
	Sub-Total	286 (5%)
North-East	Louth/Monaghan/Cavan	91
	Sub-Total	91 (2%)
North-West	Donegal/Leitrim	36
	Sligo	47
	Sub-Total	83 (1%)
South-East	Carlow	28
	Kilkenny	34
	Tipperary	32
	Waterford	62
	Wexford	22
	Sub-Total	178 (3%)
South-West	Cork (Cork City and County councils)	414
	Kerry	81
	Sub-Total	495 (8%)
West	Galway (Galway City and County councils)	213
	Mayo/Roscommon	36
	Sub-Total	249 (4%)
National		5,843

¹ Where fewer than ten individuals are recorded in a county, data are aggregated in line with best practice described in the Irish Statistical System Code of Practice (ISSCOP).

Family homelessness during the week of 24 – 30 May 2021

Region	Total Families	(of which) single parent families	Total adults	Total dependants
Dublin	688	351	1,025	1,659
Mid-East	49	30	68	110
Midlands	13	12	14	24
Mid-West	32	26	38	47
North-East	8	6	10	19
North-West	9	8	10	17
South-East	16	9	23	31
South-West	51	42	60	100
West	62	31	93	141
TOTAL	928	515 (55%)	1,341	2,148

Homeless statistics and regional structures

The Department's official homelessness statistics are published on a monthly basis and refer to the number of homeless persons accommodated in emergency accommodation funded and overseen by housing authorities during a specific count week, typically the last full week of the month. The reports are produced through the Pathway Accommodation & Support System (PASS), collated on a regional basis and compiled and published by the Department. Homelessness reporting commenced in this format in 2014.

Monthly homelessness data are published to www.housing.gov.ie on the last working Friday of every month. These data are also available in open format on www.data.gov.ie and are made available under the [Creative Commons CC BY 4.0 License](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/), and are available for reproduction elsewhere, subject to appropriate credit being given to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

The administration of homeless services is organised across nine administrative regions, with one local authority in each of the regions, "the lead authority", having overall responsibility for the disbursement of Exchequer funding. In each region a Joint Homelessness Consultative Forum exists which includes representation from the relevant State and non-governmental organisations involved in the delivery of homeless services in a particular region. Delegated arrangements are governed by an annually agreed protocol between the Department and the lead authority in each region. These protocols set out the arrangements, responsibilities and financial/performance data reporting requirements for the delegation of funding from the Department.

Under *Sections 38 and 39 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009* a statutory Management Group exists for each regional forum. This is comprised of representatives from the relevant housing authorities and the Health Service Executive, and it is the responsibility of the Management Group to consider issues around the need for homeless services and to plan for the implementation, funding and co-ordination of such services.

Glossary:

PEA - Private Emergency Accommodation: this may include hotels, B&Bs and other residential facilities that are used on an emergency basis. Supports are provided to services users on a visiting supports basis.

STA - Supported Temporary Accommodation: accommodation, including family hubs, hostels, with onsite professional support.

TEA - Temporary Emergency Accommodation: emergency accommodation with no (or minimal) support

Region	Lead Authority	Local Authorities in region
Dublin	Dublin City Council	Dublin City Council
		Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council
		Fingal County Council
		South Dublin County Council
Mid-East	Kildare County Council	Kildare County Council
		Meath County Council
		Wicklow County Council
Midlands	Westmeath County Council	Laois County Council
		Longford County Council
		Offaly County Council
		Westmeath County Council
Mid-West	Limerick City and County Council	Clare County Council
		Limerick City and County Council
North-East	Louth County Council	Louth County Council
		Cavan County Council
		Monaghan County Council
North-West	Sligo County Council	Donegal County Council
		Leitrim County Council
		Sligo County Council
South-East	Waterford City and County Council	Carlow County Council
		Kilkenny County Council
		Tipperary County Council
		Waterford City and County Council
		Wexford County Council
South-West	Cork City Council	Cork City Council
		Cork County Council
		Kerry County Council
West	Galway City Council	Galway City Council
		Galway County Council
		Mayo County Council
		Roscommon County Council