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Details of adults accessing local authority managed emergency accommodation during the week of 23-29 August 2021

Region	<i>Homeless adults</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
Dublin	4,220	2,735	1,485
Mid-East	305	199	106
Midlands	84	54	30
Mid-West	283	195	88
North-East	103	76	27
North-West	70	44	26
South-East	176	127	49
South-West	504	357	147
West	278	162	116
TOTAL	6,023	3,949 (66%)	2,074 (34%)

Region	<i>Ages 18-24</i>	<i>Ages 25-44</i>	<i>Ages 45-64</i>	<i>Ages 65+</i>
Dublin	695	2,327	1,133	65
Mid-East	45	154	95	11
Midlands	23	43	16	2
Mid-West	32	165	80	6
North-East	8	60	28	7
North-West	18	32	19	1
South-East	27	101	43	5
South-West	65	278	142	19
West	71	126	70	11
TOTAL	984 (16%)	3,286 (55%)	1,626 (27%)	127 (2%)

<i>Accommodation Types*</i>				
Region	<i>PEA</i>	<i>STA</i>	<i>TEA</i>	<i>Other</i>
Dublin	2,258	2,002	35	0
Mid-East	184	118	3	0
Midlands	58	0	26	0
Mid-West	27	222	34	0
North-East	19	59	25	0
North-West	24	33	13	0
South-East	42	134	0	0
South-West	339	171	0	0
West	158	120	0	0
TOTAL	3,109	2,859	136	0

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

Adults in Emergency Accommodation

23-29 August 2021 adults in emergency accommodation



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Homelessness by county during the week of 23-29 August 2021

Counties ¹		
Dublin	Dublin	4,220 (70%)
Mid-East	Kildare	120
	Meath	159
	Wicklow	26
	Sub-Total	305 (5%)
Midlands	Laois	19
	Longford	11
	Offaly	24
	Westmeath	30
	Sub-Total	84 (1%)
Mid-West	Clare	64
	Limerick	219
	Sub-Total	283 (5%)
North-East	Louth/Monaghan/Cavan	103
	Sub-Total	103 (2%)
North-West	Donegal/Leitrim	29
	Sligo	41
	Sub-Total	70 (1%)
South-East	Carlow	32
	Kilkenny	35
	Tipperary	32
	Waterford	59
	Wexford	18
	Sub-Total	176 (3%)
South-West	Cork (Cork City and County councils)	418
	Kerry	86
	Sub-Total	504 (8%)
West	Galway (Galway City and County councils)	241
	Mayo/Roscommon	37
	Sub-Total	278 (5%)
National		6,023

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 23-29 August 2021

Region	Total families	Total adults	Total child dependants
Dublin	723	1,225	1,710
Mid-East	46	72	92
Midlands	7	10	11
Mid-West	30	41	45
North-East	8	10	19
North-West	6	7	10
South-East	17	24	34
South-West	53	67	104
West	63	98	164
TOTAL	953	1,554	2,189

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