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Details of adults accessing local authority managed emergency accommodation during the week of 25-31 October 2021

Region	Homeless adults	Male	Female
Dublin	4,432	2,875	1,557
Mid-East	324	206	118
Midlands	89	54	35
Mid-West	282	185	97
North-East	81	61	20
North-West	77	50	27
South-East	201	144	57
South-West	534	371	163
West	297	171	126
TOTAL	6,317	4,117 (65%)	2,200 (35%)

Region	Ages 18-24	Ages 25-44	Ages 45-64	Ages 65+
Dublin	769	2,439	1,165	59
Mid-East	54	162	98	10
Midlands	18	54	15	2
Mid-West	35	151	90	6
North-East	7	45	24	5
North-West	11	43	22	1
South-East	36	111	49	5
South-West	67	298	151	18
West	56	145	79	17
TOTAL	1,053 (17%)	3,448 (55%)	1,693 (27%)	123 (2%)

Accommodation Types*				
Region	PEA	STA	TEA	Other
Dublin	2,465	1,986	38	0
Mid-East	198	122	4	0
Midlands	64	0	25	0
Mid-West	34	218	30	0
North-East	11	63	7	0
North-West	31	32	14	0
South-East	57	144	0	0
South-West	351	185	0	0
West	168	129	0	0
TOTAL	3,379	2,879	118	0

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

Adults in Emergency Accommodation

25-31 October 2021 adults in emergency accommodation



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Homelessness by county during the week of 25-31 October 2021

Counties ¹		
Dublin	Dublin	4,432 (70%)
Mid-East	Kildare	122
	Meath	170
	Wicklow	32
	Sub-Total	324 (5%)
Midlands	Laois	24
	Longford	12
	Offaly	20
	Westmeath	33
	Sub-Total	89 (1%)
Mid-West	Clare	51
	Limerick	231
	Sub-Total	282 (4%)
North-East	Louth/Monaghan/Cavan	81
	Sub-Total	81 (1%)
North-West	Donegal/Leitrim	34
	Sligo	43
	Sub-Total	77 (1%)
South-East	Carlow	33
	Kilkenny	36
	Tipperary	45
	Waterford	64
	Wexford	23
	Sub-Total	201 (3%)
South-West	Cork (Cork City and County councils)	440
	Kerry	94
	Sub-Total	534 (8%)
West	Galway (Galway City and County councils)	254
	Mayo/Roscommon	43
	Sub-Total	297 (5%)
National		6,317

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 25-31 October 2021

Region	Total families	Total adults	Total child dependants
Dublin	799	1,347	1,903
Mid-East	55	89	122
Midlands	10	11	17
Mid-West	36	50	61
North-East	9	12	18
North-West	8	10	15
South-East	18	25	38
South-West	68	89	142
West	79	119	197
TOTAL	1,082	1,752	2,513

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