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Update on Payments Awarded for Covid-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment and Enhanced Illness Benefit

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Appendix 1 - Analysis of Pandemic Unemployment Payments

There are 376,665 people in receipt a Pandemic Unemployment Payment of which 181,544 are female and 195,121 are male.

County Breakdown

County	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 4 th May	Number of people in receipt of a Pandemic Unemployment Payment at its peak in week commencing 4 th May 2020
Carlow	3,680	3,745	7,114
Cavan	5,307	5,439	9,941
Clare	9,218	9,435	14,869
Cork	37,118	37,980	62,460
Donegal	12,983	13,294	22,594
Dublin	122,775	125,105	174,163
Galway	20,567	20,987	33,132
Kerry	14,894	15,232	22,217
Kildare	16,468	16,929	26,720
Kilkenny	6,889	7,021	11,491
Laois	5,544	5,702	9,700
Leitrim	2,327	2,391	4,044
Limerick	13,223	13,462	21,964
Longford	2,452	2,509	4,403
Louth	10,436	10,626	16,983
Mayo	10,151	10,399	16,381
Meath	15,769	16,154	26,614
Monaghan	4,795	4,931	8,284
Offaly	5,023	5,186	9,067
Roscommon	4,265	4,399	7,577
Sligo	4,674	4,771	7,725
Tipperary	9,803	10,082	18,515
Waterford	8,206	8,373	13,662
Westmeath	6,477	6,622	11,353
Wexford	11,238	11,602	20,441
Wicklow	11,035	11,398	18,502
County not included	1,348	1,437	2,184
Total	376,665	385,211	602,100

Appendix 2 – Pandemic Unemployment Payments - Sector Breakdown

The sector with the highest number of people in receipt of the Pandemic Unemployment Payment is Accommodation and Food Service Activities (98,124) followed by Wholesale and Retail Trade (62,115) and Construction (34,663).

Sector Breakdown	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 4 th May	Number of people in receipt of a Pandemic Unemployment Payment at its peak in week commencing 4 th May 2020
Industrial Sector			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	4,873	5,039	8,704
Manufacturing	18,717	19,297	39,554
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	1,275	1,295	2,150
Construction	34,663	37,437	84,169
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	62,115	63,361	94,240
Transportation and storage	9,949	10,059	18,130
Accommodation and food service activities	98,124	99,140	131,230
Information and communication activities	7,254	7,348	11,304
Financial and insurance activities	7,224	7,342	11,455
Real Estate activities	5,351	5,437	7,865
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	13,685	13,940	24,199
Administrative and support service activities	32,929	33,585	44,986
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	5,560	5,685	10,354
Education	10,291	10,524	21,552
Human Health And Social Work activities	10,742	10,986	23,668
Arts, entertainment and recreation	11,500	11,787	14,211
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	32,617	32,940	39,090
Unclassified or unknown	9,796	10,009	15,239
Total	376,665	385,211	602,100

Appendix 3 – Pandemic Unemployment Payment - Age Profile

Age category	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of Pandemic Unemployment Payment on 4 th May
< 25	94,451	96,202
25-34	82,811	84,590
35-44	82,927	85,188
45-54	65,390	67,130
55+	51,086	52,101
Total	376,665	385,211

Appendix 4 – Pandemic Unemployment Payment Rates breakdown by gender

Gender	Number of people in receipt of €350 on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of €300 on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of €250 on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of €203 on 11 th May
Male	106,149	30,778	26,866	31,328
Female	66,251	35,590	37,995	41,708
Total	172,400	66,368	64,861	73,036

Appendix 5 – Pandemic Unemployment Payment Rates breakdown by age

Age category	Number of people in receipt of €350 on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of €300 on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of €250 on 11 th May	Number of people in receipt of €203 on 11 th May
< 25	22,579	21,444	25,482	24,946
25-34	45,687	15,505	10,912	10,707
35-44	46,024	12,420	11,017	13,466
45-54	34,200	9,525	9,352	12,313
55+	23,910	7,474	8,098	11,604
Total	172,400	66,368	64,861	73,036

Appendix 6 – Analysis of Closed PUP payments to return to Work

Some 12,245 people who have closed their account for return to work reasons in the week up to May 11th of which 7,928 are male and 4,317 are female.

County Breakdown

County	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 11 th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 4 th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 27 th April
Carlow	134	130	184
Cavan	182	205	259
Clare	261	301	331
Cork	1269	1,233	1,583
Donegal	401	410	507
Dublin	3300	3,776	3,909
Galway	632	609	733
Kerry	451	430	457
Kildare	661	684	714
Kilkenny	238	198	251
Laois	242	234	260
Leitrim	97	90	81
Limerick	419	398	419
Longford	102	74	100
Louth	333	328	419
Mayo	324	345	397
Meath	567	589	735
Monaghan	297	179	218
Offaly	223	240	289
Roscommon	137	173	168
Sligo	150	126	186
Tipperary	353	403	450
Waterford	252	284	325
Westmeath	252	228	275
Wexford	473	466	593
Wicklow	399	448	524
County not included	96	111	144
Total	12,245	12,692	14,511

Appendix 7 – Closed Pandemic Unemployment Payments - Sector Breakdown

The top three sectors from which employees closed their Pandemic Unemployment Payment to return to work are Construction (3,107), Wholesale and Retail Trade (2,295), and Accommodation and food services (1,422).

Industrial Sector	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 11th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 4th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 27th April
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	184	203	238
Manufacturing	826	998	1,216
Electricity, gas supply; Water supply, sewerage and waste management	51	59	63
Construction	3,107	3,729	4,965
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	2,295	1,794	1,754
Transportation and storage	296	329	417
Accommodation and food service activities	1,422	1,418	1,499
Information and communication activities	150	186	169
Financial and insurance activities	185	174	197
Real Estate activities	126	108	151
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	576	390	456
Administrative and support service activities	969	1,184	1,298
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	210	235	280
Education	298	394	485
Human Health And Social Work activities	368	458	456
Arts, entertainment and recreation	305	326	178
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	609	438	453
Unclassified or unknown	268	269	236
Total	12,245	12,692	14,511

Appendix 8 – Closed Pandemic Unemployment Payments – Age Profile

Age category	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 11th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 4th May	Number of people who closed their PUP payment to return to work in week up to 27th April
< 25	2,155	2,200	2,373
25-34	2,632	2,723	3,080
35-44	3,120	3,379	4,084
45-54	2,596	2,669	3,017
55+	1,742	1,721	1,957
Total	12,245	12,692	14,511

Appendix 9 - Analysis of Covid-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit

To date, 151,482 people have been medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 related Illness Benefit payment, of whom 81,306 are female and 70,176 are male.

Some 1,564 people are currently in receipt of an Enhanced Illness Benefit payment.

County Breakdown (based on the county recorded on the Illness Benefit certificate)

County	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 11 th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 4 th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 27 th April
Carlow	2,134	2,113	2,106
Cavan	3,607	3,572	3,547
Clare	3,068	3,038	3,030
Cork	15,845	15,692	15,633
Donegal	4,509	4,465	4,433
Dublin	42,316	41,906	41,653
Galway	8,831	8,746	8,707
Kerry	3,361	3,328	3,327
Kildare	6,666	6,601	6,553
Kilkenny	3,368	3,335	3,326
Laois	2,761	2,734	2,722
Leitrim	659	653	645
Limerick	5,760	5,704	5,673
Longford	1,271	1,259	1,250
Louth	4,636	4,591	4,566
Mayo	3,989	3,950	3,927
Meath	6,494	6,431	6,388
Monaghan	3,224	3,193	3,188
Offaly	2,480	2,456	2,434
Roscommon	1,946	1,927	1,910
Sligo	1,568	1,553	1,548
Tipperary	5,102	5,053	5,021
Waterford	5,055	5,006	4,988
Westmeath	2,408	2,385	2,367
Wexford	5,491	5,438	5,425
Wicklow	3,808	3,771	3,761
Other (NI & Foreign Address)	1,125	1,116	1,117
Total	151,482	150,016	149,245

Appendix 10 – Covid-19 Enhanced Illness Benefit - Sector Breakdown

The two sectors with the highest number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of a Covid-19 Illness Benefit payment to date are Wholesale and Retail Trade (33,176) and Human Health and Social Work (27,659), followed by Manufacturing (20,741).

Sector Breakdown	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 11th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 4th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 27th April
Industrial Sector			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining and Quarrying	1,969	1,950	1,940
Manufacturing	20,741	20,540	20,434
Electricity, gas, steam supply; Water supply; Sewerage, waste management	852	844	840
Construction	7,559	7,486	7,448
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and motorcycles	33,176	32,855	32,686
Transportation and storage	6,024	5,966	5,935
Accommodation and food service activities	8,616	8,533	8,489
Information and communication activities	2,658	2,632	2,618
Financial and insurance activities	5,630	5,576	5,547
Real Estate activities	1,173	1,162	1,156
Professional, Scientific and Technical activities	5,444	5,391	5,363
Administrative and support service activities	13,098	12,971	12,904
Public Administration And Defence; Compulsory Social Security	5,887	5,830	5,800
Education	4,276	4,235	4,213
Human Health And Social Work activities	27,659	27,391	27,250
Arts, entertainment and recreation	1,257	1,245	1,239
Other Sectors e.g. hairdressing and beauty salons	4,549	4,505	4,482
Unclassified or unknown	914	904	901
Total	151,482	150,016	149,245

Appendix 11 – Enhanced Illness Benefit - Age Profile

Age category	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 11th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 4th May	Number of people who have been medically certified for receipt of Enhanced Illness Benefit to 27th April
< 25	24,303	24,068	24,007
25-34	38,365	37,994	37,807
35-44	39,551	39,168	38,929
45-54	29,829	29,540	29,376
55+	19,434	19,246	19,126
Total	151,482	150,016	149,245