

Report Name:

Penalty Point Analysis Report

Periodicity:

Monthly

Contact Organisation:

DVCSD, Department of Transport, Road Safety Authority

Reference Area:

Ireland

Time Coverage:

Snapshot as of the last day of previous month.

Report Explanatory Note:

The penalty point and disqualification data are compiled from the NVDF (National Vehicle and Driver Database). The NVDF is the source of record for driving licence, penalty point and disqualification data.

Penalty point and disqualification data are sent electronically to the NVDF on a weekly basis from An Garda Síochána (AGS) and the Courts service. This data is made up of:-

- Offences resulting from paid Fixed Charged Notices (FCNs) from AGS
- Offences resulting from court appearances from the Courts Service

The offence statistics in this report are compiled against this data sent from the courts and AGS. Please refer to the First Schedule to the Road Traffic Act 2002 to get further detail on the basis of penalty points and offences. The up-to-date version of the 2002 Act can be found on the Law Reform Commission website.

The figures are a snapshot as of last day of the previous month and are the total number of penalty point offences recorded on the offender's driving licence at that point in time. It is important to note the figures are the total number of offences at that point in time and not just the offences for the month in question.

Penalty points are recorded on the offender's driving licence and remain on the licence for a period of three years.

Report 1: Breakdown of Drivers by Number of Penalty Point Applied by County

This report details the number of drivers with penalty points applied as of the last day of previous month broken down by the number of penalty points held at that point in time for each county.

Report 2: Breakdown of Drivers by Number of Penalty Points Applied

This report details the number of drivers with penalty points applied as of the last day of previous month broken down by the number of penalty points held at that point in time.

Report 3: No of Notices for Offence Type by County

This is the total number of notices issued to drivers broken down by the drivers county and offence type as of the last day of previous month.

Report 4: No of Notices by Offence Type

This is the total number of notices issued to drivers by the offence type as of the last day of previous month.



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Breakdown of Drivers by Number of Penalty Points ¹ Applied & County

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
CARLOW	19	491	4,243	100	444	562	15	42	80	21	8	11	6,036
CAVAN	35	572	5,583	97	776	736	13	65	79	22	12	10	8,000
CLARE	33	749	9,541	111	895	1,421	28	103	207	30	31	16	13,165
CORK	188	3,595	37,913	723	3,355	5,056	98	383	624	112	95	85	52,227
GALWAY	124	1,508	18,171	320	1,838	2,426	50	187	315	85	49	52	25,125
DONEGAL	42	892	9,331	113	933	1,000	24	55	100	31	17	17	12,555
DUBLIN	1,741	11,169	72,070	2,569	10,284	9,855	365	951	1,336	427	202	234	111,203
KERRY	50	1,019	10,282	182	1,003	1,539	27	97	207	51	27	34	14,518
KILDARE	136	2,178	16,619	396	1,914	2,414	62	195	302	91	48	39	24,394
KILKENNY	26	834	6,334	173	556	890	16	68	112	25	12	9	9,055
LAOIS	30	849	6,134	171	717	927	22	74	139	22	26	9	9,120
LEITRIM	8	244	2,295	29	173	247	6	11	34	5		3	3,055
LIMERICK	75	1,290	14,032	299	1,762	2,108	50	167	289	74	35	40	20,221
LONGFORD	17	416	3,357	82	449	520	16	54	66	30	17	7	5,031
LOUTH	94	989	7,106	185	1,111	877	22	86	110	35	13	10	10,638
MAYO	38	803	9,485	103	656	1,146	25	94	161	29	18	15	12,573
MEATH	161	1,397	13,855	239	1,327	1,730	28	112	217	38	26	22	19,152
MONAGHAN	53	407	4,303	74	546	488	10	36	57	12	6	7	5,999
OFFALY	20	660	6,762	142	688	962	21	51	157	28	22	12	9,525
ROSCOMMON	27	541	4,744	75	434	626	18	56	78	18	16	6	6,639
SLIGO	62	425	4,282	60	308	524	13	29	56	9	8	7	5,783
TIPPERARY	34	1,283	13,766	284	1,313	2,153	23	149	303	68	33	39	19,448
WATERFORD	40	1,270	8,479	242	911	1,199	26	101	136	33	20	17	12,474
WESTMEATH	31	708	7,545	118	707	1,040	32	90	131	33	15	20	10,470
WEXFORD	111	1,421	12,764	286	1,117	1,837	45	145	242	48	28	31	18,075
WICKLOW	60	1,091	10,769	227	891	1,564	36	127	193	47	20	26	15,051
FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER ²	246	1,389	42,528	65	706	2,919	17	180	368	6	36	36	48,496
UNKNOWN ³		2	27	66	1,598								1,693
Grand Total	3,501	38,192	362,320	7,531	37,412	46,766	1,108	3,708	6,099	1,430	840	814	509,721

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² Drivers who produce a valid foreign licence and have an Irish address.

³ Unknown refers to non-resident drivers who pay on the spot penalty fines.

Breakdown of Drivers by Number of Penalty Points Applied

Points Issued	No of Drivers
1	3,501
2	38,192
3	362,320
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Total	509,721

No of Notices by Offence Type

22-35mcg of alcohol per 100ml of breath	56
50-80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood	13
67-107mg of alcohol per 100ml of urine	10
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	5,104
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	116
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	97
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	2,353
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	1,030
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	944
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	1,033
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	628
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	1,146
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	561
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	207
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	39
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	2,279
Contravention of requirements at junctions	33
Contravention of requirements for reversing	21
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	35
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	2,822
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	278
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	2,165
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	51
Drive from right lane to another without yielding	3
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	91
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load	24
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight	2
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	50
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight	26
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	1,640
Driver Fail Restrain Child 0/3 in Child Restraint	1,581
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	695
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	2
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted	1
Driving a vehicle when unfit	1
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	59,678
Driving along/across median strip	173
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	65
Driving on/across cycle track	3
Driving on/across footway	87
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994	35
Driving without reasonable consideration	16,122
Entry to hatched marked area	821
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)	51
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)	43
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)	59
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)	92
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	419
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	408
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	100
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Southbound)	159
Fail to act in accordance with Garda signal	15
Fail to comply with Keep to Right/Left signs	10
Fail to comply with mandatory traffic signs	150
Fail to comply with No Entry traffic sign	291
Fail to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	3,398
Fail to comply with traffic lane markings	310
Fail to Deactivate Airbag Child Restraint in use	6
Fail to drive on the left hand side	102
Fail to obey rules at railway level crossing	23
Fail to obey traffic lights	12,081
Fail to stop before stop sign/stop line	571
Fail to stop for Garda	271
Fail to stop for school warden sign	8
Fail to turn left onto a roundabout	12
Fail to yield right of way	253
Fail to yield right of way at sign/line	104
General speed obligation - stop visible distance	37
Learner driver unaccompanied by a qualified driver	22,141
Modified plated vehicle with inaccurate inscription	4
Modified/altered vehicle that plate is inaccurate	19
Motorcycle Tyre with Depth Less than 1mm - User	17
No cert of road worthiness user	38
No child restraint front seat - child	26
No child restraint rear seat - child	87
No insurance - (user)	12,333
No safety belt - driver	1,817
No safety belt front seat - child	57
No safety belt rear seat - child	144
Non-Display of L Plate (Learner Driver)	11,590
Non-Display of N plate (Novice driver)	1,686
Non-Display of yellow 'L' tabard on motorcycle	378
Non-Display of yellow 'N' tabard on motorcycle	10
Offence relating to Overtaking	1,429
Overtake - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	15
Overtake - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	48
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience/Endanger Other Than Cyclist	1
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	2
Parking a vehicle in a dangerous position	89
Proceeding beyond a traffic lane control sign	3
Proceeding beyond max design gross vehicle weight sign	20
Proceeding beyond max vehicle axle loading weight sign	7
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign vehicle	1
Reduced to Driving without reasonable consideration	142
Speeding	436,675
Speeding Buses no standing passengers	3
Striking bridge with vehicle	2
Tyre with Cut - User	23
Tyre with Depth Less than 1.6 mm - User	774
Tyre with Lump/Bulge/Tear/Partial Failure - User	46
Tyre with Ply/Cord Exposed - User	452
U-Turn on dual carriageway/central reserve/traffic island	140
Unsuitable Tyre - User	41
Unsuitable Tyre due to degree of inflation - User	13
Use vehicle without NCT certificate	13,000
Using vehicle without authorisation plate goods vehicle/trailer	14
Using vehicle without authorisation plate passenger	10
Total	624,391