

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	20	492	4,360	104	451	580	17	47	85	22	9	9	6,196
CAVAN	33	571	5,720	104	754	775	16	62	78	19	11	12	8,155
CLARE	35	742	9,891	117	907	1,555	27	105	226	32	32	18	13,687
CORK	189	3,558	39,828	713	3,366	5,513	92	395	703	111	108	89	54,665
GALWAY	131	1,492	18,606	327	1,863	2,546	50	189	341	77	52	55	25,729
DONEGAL	44	911	9,228	120	964	978	25	60	96	31	17	18	12,492
DUBLIN	1,737	11,062	73,674	2,534	9,711	10,332	361	917	1,402	417	211	228	112,586
KERRY	49	1,003	10,457	178	1,001	1,607	38	104	217	52	30	31	14,767
KILDARE	128	2,169	16,980	399	1,867	2,542	60	197	328	92	50	45	24,857
KILKENNY	27	832	6,494	160	568	955	20	72	125	23	13	11	9,300
LAOIS	30	850	6,349	170	709	1,003	23	74	123	27	29	14	9,401
LEITRIM	6	247	2,331	27	166	268	5	12	33	5	1	4	3,105
LIMERICK	67	1,282	14,409	303	1,726	2,191	50	164	311	74	34	40	20,651
LONGFORD	13	427	3,400	83	442	553	16	57	58	23	15	16	5,103
LOUTH	98	987	7,233	185	1,055	940	22	89	115	36	11	14	10,785
MAYO	43	804	9,598	104	641	1,215	24	96	156	25	17	16	12,739
MEATH	161	1,359	14,205	250	1,261	1,808	26	129	246	39	23	26	19,533
MONAGHAN	51	407	4,316	70	534	509	10	38	64	14	7	7	6,027
OFFALY	18	664	7,007	143	695	1,046	20	50	162	30	24	17	9,876
ROSCOMMON	25	544	4,869	89	435	663	18	62	81	14	14	7	6,821
SLIGO	65	427	4,347	62	296	547	9	29	59	9	8	6	5,864
TIPPERARY	34	1,293	14,063	283	1,284	2,297	28	152	332	72	29	35	19,902
WATERFORD	40	1,267	8,664	240	905	1,277	25	101	158	39	20	19	12,755
WESTMEATH	26	703	7,676	119	709	1,109	30	84	146	33	20	18	10,673
WEXFORD	108	1,430	12,989	284	1,129	1,972	52	151	244	50	29	38	18,476
WICKLOW	57	1,105	10,933	227	878	1,638	34	127	203	51	24	24	15,301
FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER ²	243	1,393	43,141	69	664	2,984	13	166	381	8	37	36	49,135
UNKNOWN ³		2	28	63	1,624								1,717
Grand Total	3,478	38,023	370,796	7,527	36,605	49,403	1,111	3,729	6,473	1,425	875	853	520,298

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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	3,478
2	38,023
3	370,796
4	7,527
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No of Notices by Offence Type

22-35mcg of alcohol per 100ml of breath	55
50-80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood	13
67-107mg of alcohol per 100ml of urine	11
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	5,265
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	113
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	96
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	2,407
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	1,058
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	991
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	1,051
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	626
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	1,172
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	565
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	240
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	39
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	2,244
Contravention of requirements at junctions	34
Contravention of requirements for reversing	21
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	39
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	2,780
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	285
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	2,165
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	46
Drive from right lane to another without yielding	3
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	88
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load	27
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight	2
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	53
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight	27
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	1,625
Driver Fail Restrain Child 0/3 in Child Restraint	1,591
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	709
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	2
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted	2
Driving a vehicle when unfit	1
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	60,647
Driving along/across median strip	177
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	64
Driving on/across cycle track	3
Driving on/across footway	88
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994	31
Driving without reasonable consideration	16,230
Entry to hatched marked area	859
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)	1
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)	5
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)	12
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	121
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	161
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	31
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Southbound)	35
Fail to act in accordance with Garda signal	16
Fail to comply with Keep to Right/Left signs	10
Fail to comply with mandatory traffic signs	156
Fail to comply with No Entry traffic sign	282
Fail to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	3,399
Fail to comply with traffic lane markings	316
Fail to Deactivate Airbag Child Restraint in use	6
Fail to drive on the left hand side	108
Fail to obey rules at railway level crossing	22
Fail to obey traffic lights	11,845
Fail to stop before stop sign/stop line	585
Fail to stop for Garda	279
Fail to stop for school warden sign	8
Fail to turn left onto a roundabout	12
Fail to yield right of way	261
Fail to yield right of way at sign/line	108
General speed obligation - stop visible distance	29
Learner driver unaccompanied by a qualified driver	21,741
Modified plated vehicle with inaccurate inscription	4
Modified/altered vehicle that plate is inaccurate	26
Motorcycle Tyre with Depth Less than 1mm - User	18
No cert of road worthiness user	37
No child restraint front seat - child	26
No child restraint rear seat - child	88
No insurance - (user)	11,339
No safety belt - driver	1,819
No safety belt front seat - child	58
No safety belt rear seat - child	145
Non-Display of L Plate (Learner Driver)	11,515
Non-Display of N plate (Novice driver)	1,677
Non-Display of yellow 'L' tabard on motorcycle	384
Non-Display of yellow 'N' tabard on motorcycle	11
Offence relating to Overtaking	1,442
Overtake - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	19
Overtake - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	50
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	1
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	1
Parking a vehicle in a dangerous position	79
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	9
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign vehicle	1
Reduced to Driving without reasonable consideration	145
Speeding	456,023
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	803
Tyre with Lump/Bulge/Tear/Partial Failure - User	46
Tyre with Ply/Cord Exposed - User	463
U-Turn on dual carriageway/central reserve/traffic island	131
Unsuitable Tyre - User	47
Unsuitable Tyre due to degree of inflation - User	14
Use vehicle without NCT certificate	12,855
Using vehicle without authorisation plate goods vehicle/trailer	15
Using vehicle without authorisation plate passenger	11
Total	642,447