

**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 <sup>1</sup> Applied & County

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
CARLOW	20	503	4,374	105	445	600	16	45	86	20	9	8	6,231
CAVAN	32	579	5,746	102	740	791	16	64	78	20	10	11	8,189
CLARE	34	753	10,055	119	934	1,594	27	111	232	35	30	18	13,942
CORK	189	3,565	40,408	708	3,414	5,711	97	391	713	112	105	88	55,501
GALWAY	128	1,503	18,714	319	1,868	2,604	51	190	356	84	55	46	25,918
DONEGAL	47	921	9,261	122	987	1,003	29	66	91	30	19	16	12,592
DUBLIN	1,737	10,993	74,321	2,537	9,674	10,540	369	927	1,411	404	214	219	113,346
KERRY	48	988	10,485	181	995	1,600	36	104	224	53	29	33	14,776
KILDARE	125	2,153	17,142	401	1,885	2,585	57	197	337	94	49	43	25,068
KILKENNY	25	823	6,540	161	577	965	21	70	134	24	11	11	9,362
LAOIS	31	834	6,401	168	709	1,019	23	81	135	26	30	12	9,469
LEITRIM	6	246	2,353	27	160	272	5	11	36	6	1	4	3,127
LIMERICK	69	1,280	14,520	302	1,767	2,214	46	163	315	79	33	41	20,829
LONGFORD	15	422	3,428	83	450	547	18	60	57	23	14	15	5,132
LOUTH	104	983	7,282	187	1,038	956	23	85	115	34	9	15	10,831
MAYO	45	797	9,596	107	632	1,231	24	95	166	24	17	18	12,752
MEATH	162	1,351	14,301	247	1,254	1,853	24	130	251	38	23	26	19,660
MONAGHAN	48	408	4,333	70	525	512	11	39	66	13	7	7	6,039
OFFALY	18	676	7,123	138	722	1,062	18	52	161	30	26	18	10,044
ROSCOMMON	25	538	4,922	90	444	692	16	61	82	14	16	5	6,905
SLIGO	61	419	4,393	64	302	533	10	28	60	9	8	6	5,893
TIPPERARY	37	1,291	14,125	279	1,314	2,339	27	152	329	69	29	35	20,026
WATERFORD	42	1,259	8,733	242	933	1,308	26	107	161	40	21	18	12,890
WESTMEATH	26	704	7,744	126	723	1,117	28	89	152	30	20	17	10,776
WEXFORD	110	1,415	13,095	281	1,147	2,019	59	153	265	50	31	37	18,662
WICKLOW	58	1,110	11,017	225	885	1,666	34	133	206	50	25	26	15,435
FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER <sup>2</sup>	241	1,395	43,284	69	660	2,985	13	158	375	8	30	38	49,256
UNKNOWN <sup>3</sup>		2	25	66	1,657								1,750
Grand Total	3,483	37,911	373,721	7,526	36,841	50,318	1,124	3,762	6,594	1,419	871	831	524,401

<sup>1</sup> Penalty points are recorded on the offender's driving licence and remain on the licence for a period of three years.

<sup>2</sup> Drivers who produce a valid foreign licence and have an Irish address.

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

# Breakdown of Drivers by Number of Penalty Points Applied

<b>Points Issued</b>	<b>No of Drivers</b>
1	3,483
2	37,911
3	373,721
4	7,526
5	36,841
6	50,318
7	1,124
8	3,762
9	6,594
10	1,419
11	871
12	831
<b>Total</b>	<b>524,401</b>



## 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	5,376
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	110
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	99
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	2,419
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	1,082
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	1,005
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	1,058
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	635
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	1,167
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	568
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	259
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	38
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	2,264
Contravention of requirements at junctions	34
Contravention of requirements for reversing	21
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	40
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	2,791
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	284
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	2,181
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	44
Drive from right lane to another without yielding	3
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	92
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load	27
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight	2
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	55
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight	29
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	1,655
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	1,593
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	702
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	3
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted	2
Driving a vehicle when unfit	1
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	60,842
Driving along/across median strip	179
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	66
Driving on/across cycle track	3
Driving on/across footway	89
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994	29
Driving without reasonable consideration	16,249
Entry to hatched marked area	861
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	9
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	28
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	4
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Southbound)	1
Fail to act in accordance with Garda signal	16
Fail to comply with Keep to Right/Left signs	9
Fail to comply with mandatory traffic signs	156
Fail to comply with No Entry traffic sign	282
Fail to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	3,426
Fail to comply with traffic lane markings	317
Fail to Deactivate Airbag Child Restraint in use	5
Fail to drive on the left hand side	105
Fail to obey rules at railway level crossing	23
Fail to obey traffic lights	11,776
Fail to stop before stop sign/stop line	583
Fail to stop for Garda	279
Fail to stop for school warden sign	8
Fail to turn left onto a roundabout	13
Fail to yield right of way	263
Fail to yield right of way at sign/line	105
General speed obligation - stop visible distance	29
Learner driver unaccompanied by a qualified driver	21,473
Modified plated vehicle with inaccurate inscription	4
Modified/altered vehicle that plate is inaccurate	31
Motorcycle Tyre with Depth Less than 1mm - User	20
No cert of road worthiness user	52
No child restraint front seat - child	28
No child restraint rear seat - child	94
No insurance - (user)	11,294
No safety belt - driver	1,833
No safety belt front seat - child	58
No safety belt rear seat - child	145
No speed limitation device fitted (driver/usr)	1
Non-Display of L Plate (Learner Driver)	11,401
Non-Display of N plate (Novice driver)	1,675
Non-Display of yellow 'L' tabard on motorcycle	385
Non-Display of yellow 'N' tabard on motorcycle	11
Offence relating to Overtaking	1,427
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	78
Proceeding beyond a traffic lane control sign	3
Proceeding beyond max design gross vehicle weight sign	17
Proceeding beyond max vehicle axle loading weight sign	9
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign vehicle	1
Reduced to Driving without reasonable consideration	150
Speeding	461,467
Speeding Buses no standing passengers	2
Striking bridge with vehicle	2
Tyre with Cut - User	22
Tyre with Depth Less than 1.6 mm - User	803
Tyre with Lump/Bulge/Tear/Partial Failure - User	48
Tyre with Ply/Cord Exposed - User	460
U-Turn on dual carriageway/central reserve/traffic island	122
Unsuitable Tyre - User	51
Unsuitable Tyre due to degree of inflation - User	14
Use vehicle without NCT certificate	12,839
Using vehicle without authorisation plate goods vehicle/trailer	14
Using vehicle without authorisation plate passenger	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>647,590</b>