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

<b>Region</b>	<b>Homeless adults</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Dublin	4,175	2,724	1,451
Mid-East	329	218	111
Midlands	66	36	30
Mid-West	295	200	95
North-East	85	66	19
North-West	84	61	23
South-East	181	132	49
South-West	503	354	149
West	269	159	110
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,987</b>	<b>3,950 (66%)</b>	<b>2,037 (34%)</b>

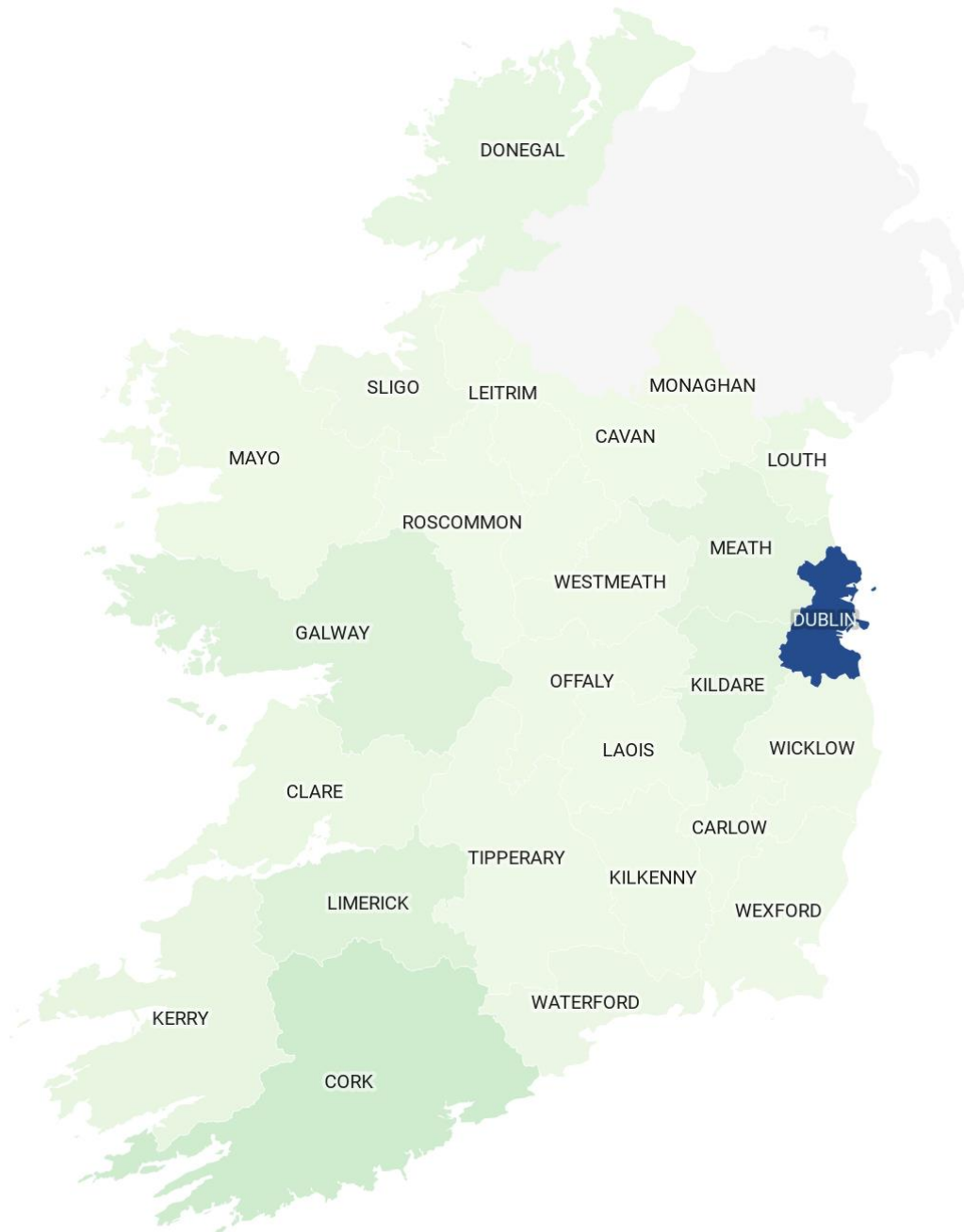
<b>Region</b>	<b>Ages 18-24</b>	<b>Ages 25-44</b>	<b>Ages 45-64</b>	<b>Ages 65+</b>
Dublin	485	2,397	1,225	68
Mid-East	51	172	95	11
Midlands	17	30	17	2
Mid-West	29	181	80	5
North-East	12	43	22	8
North-West	19	45	19	1
South-East	28	94	50	9
South-West	67	282	140	14
West	52	131	78	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>760 (13%)</b>	<b>3,375 (56%)</b>	<b>1,726 (29%)</b>	<b>126 (2%)</b>

<b>Accommodation Types*</b>				
<b>Region</b>	<b>PEA</b>	<b>STA</b>	<b>TEA</b>	<b>Other</b>
Dublin	2,372	1,858	33	0
Mid-East	206	120	3	0
Midlands	39	11	16	0
Mid-West	71	190	34	0
North-East	25	38	22	0
North-West	36	32	13	3
South-East	58	123	0	0
South-West	342	163	0	0
West	127	142	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,276</b>	<b>2,677</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>3</b>

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

# Adults in Emergency Accommodation

Adults in emergency accommodation by county



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## Homelessness by county during the week of 25-31 January 2021

Counties <sup>1</sup>		
<b>Dublin</b>	<b>Dublin</b>	<b>4,175 (70%)</b>
<b>Mid-East</b>	Kildare	154
	Meath	150
	Wicklow	25
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>329 (5%)</b>
<b>Midlands</b>	Laois/Offaly	32
	Longford	12
	Westmeath	22
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>66 (1%)</b>
<b>Mid-West</b>	Clare	75
	Limerick	220
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>295 (5%)</b>
<b>North-East</b>	Louth	71
	Cavan/Monaghan	14
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>85 (1%)</b>
<b>North-West</b>	Donegal/Leitrim	35
	Sligo	49
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>84 (1%)</b>
<b>South-East</b>	Carlow	38
	Kilkenny	32
	Tipperary	37
	Waterford	55
	Wexford	19
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>181 (3%)</b>
<b>South-West</b>	Cork	402
	Kerry	101
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>503 (8%)</b>
<b>West</b>	Galway	220
	Mayo/Roscommon	49
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>269 (4%)</b>
<b>National</b>		<b>5,987</b>

<sup>1</sup> 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 January 2021

Region	Total Families	(of which) single parent families	Total adults	Total dependants
<b>Dublin</b>	742	363	1121	1,823
<b>Mid-East</b>	59	37	81	152
<b>Midlands</b>	14	13	15	31
<b>Mid-West</b>	29	21	37	45
<b>North-East</b>	1	0	2	1
<b>North-West</b>	6	4	8	12
<b>South-East</b>	19	13	25	32
<b>South-West</b>	50	27	73	122
<b>West</b>	46	24	68	108
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>966</b>	<b>502 (52%)</b>	<b>1430</b>	<b>2,326</b>

### 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](http://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](http://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
<b>Dublin</b>	Dublin City Council	Dublin City Council
		Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council
		Fingal County Council
		South Dublin County Council
<b>Mid-East</b>	Kildare County Council	Kildare County Council
		Meath County Council
		Wicklow County Council
<b>Midlands</b>	Westmeath County Council	Laois County Council
		Longford County Council
		Offaly County Council
		Westmeath County Council
<b>Mid-West</b>	Limerick City and County Council	Clare County Council
		Limerick City and County Council
<b>North-East</b>	Louth County Council	Louth County Council
		Cavan County Council
		Monaghan County Council
<b>North-West</b>	Sligo County Council	Donegal County Council
		Leitrim County Council
		Sligo County Council
<b>South-East</b>	Waterford City and County Council	Carlow County Council
		Kilkenny County Council
		Tipperary County Council
		Waterford City and County Council
		Wexford County Council
<b>South-West</b>	Cork City Council	Cork City Council
		Cork County Council
		Kerry County Council
<b>West</b>	Galway City Council	Galway City Council
		Galway County Council
		Mayo County Council
		Roscommon County Council