



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.

Breakdown of Drivers by Number of Penalty Points¹ Applied & County

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
CARLOW	22	528	4,631	97	418	709	16	45	90	17	15	20	6,608
CAVAN	29	606	5,463	97	715	658	15	63	83	17	10	14	7,770
CLARE	29	761	9,029	113	950	1,316	30	96	175	36	20	23	12,578
CORK	198	3,758	35,268	752	3,409	4,627	100	371	582	138	89	75	49,367
DONEGAL	36	849	10,407	111	975	1,281	30	62	162	39	14	18	13,984
DUBLIN	1,825	12,024	71,648	2,845	11,067	9,891	401	981	1,427	418	227	231	112,985
GALWAY	116	1,633	18,614	325	1,970	2,657	58	206	376	82	54	58	26,149
KERRY	41	1,046	10,443	180	1,091	1,594	26	114	234	54	27	38	14,888
KILDARE	129	2,224	17,051	422	1,990	2,417	52	208	302	88	44	47	24,974
KILKENNY	42	901	6,458	178	588	918	23	58	130	31	14	11	9,352
LAOIS	30	866	6,101	175	754	927	23	71	143	20	26	19	9,155
LEITRIM	10	254	2,322	38	187	269	5	9	32	8	3	4	3,141
LIMERICK	71	1,301	14,054	277	1,838	2,090	50	164	279	87	34	75	20,320
LONGFORD	16	434	3,235	63	461	519	18	48	58	24	12	15	4,903
LOUTH	91	1,070	6,950	191	1,157	866	26	93	118	33	18	14	10,627
MAYO	39	844	10,236	116	742	1,470	30	111	196	27	25	20	13,856
MEATH	162	1,460	13,516	254	1,460	1,666	29	130	209	45	21	22	18,974
MONAGHAN	50	432	4,268	87	560	536	10	32	59	12	4	15	6,065
OFFALY	23	689	6,462	154	677	926	19	72	111	33	23	21	9,210
ROSCOMMON	25	549	4,737	79	451	593	15	62	83	18	13	12	6,637
SLIGO	54	459	4,899	66	330	696	15	40	75	13	13	8	6,668
TIPPERARY	24	1,286	13,244	283	1,384	2,116	31	145	282	70	30	39	18,934
WATERFORD	32	1,326	8,499	254	948	1,190	32	89	160	36	15	21	12,602
WESTMEATH	41	724	7,365	129	740	976	27	86	133	27	12	30	10,290
WEXFORD	118	1,493	13,276	270	1,157	2,042	49	173	313	45	33	42	19,011
WICKLOW	71	1,146	11,169	226	881	1,541	35	109	221	51	16	34	15,500
FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER²	252	1,536	44,054	77	778	2,990	28	191	420	6	37	52	50,421
UNKNOWN³		2	24	58	1,537							1	1,622
Total	3,576	40,201	363,423	7,917	39,215	47,481	1,193	3,829	6,453	1,475	849	979	516,591

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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	3,576
2	40,201
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6	47,481
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8	3,829
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Total	516,591

No of Notices for Offence Type by County

	CARLOW	CAVAN	CLARE	CORK	DONEGAL	DUBLIN	GALWAY	KERRY	KILDARE	KILKENNY	LAOIS	LEITRIM	LIMERICK	LONGFORD	LOUTH	MAYO	MEATH	MONAGHAN	OFFALY	ROSCOMMON	SLIGO	TIPPERARY	WATERFORD	WESTMEATH	WEXFORD	WICKLOW	FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER	UNKNOWN	Total	
22-35mcg of alcohol per 100ml of breath		1	1	11		1	9	3	1	4	1			3	1	2	2		2		1	1	3	1	3	1	1		1	53
50-80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood				1	1	2	1									2					1	1			1	1		1	13	
67-107mg of alcohol per 100ml of urine				4	1	1	2																1	1					12	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	50	59	152	382	96	753	318	318	179	92	138	29	298	46	60	104	111	37	120	85	33	287	126	100	268	123	467	11	4,842	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	1	2	2	5		26	2	5	5	4	3		2	1	8	3	6		3	2		5	1	6	2	3	15	1	113	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	1	1	4	4		13	4		6	6	2		3		5	2	4	2	1	2		4	4	5	8	3	12	1	97	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	44	19	62	226	122	341	100	84	97	27	68	16	129	17	56	49	47	16	55	48	12	56	53	57	167	79	237	12	2,296	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	7	13	17	160	17	237	56	24	41	25	12	5	25	8	29	16	27	11	20	14	10	28	30	20	33	32	146	5	1,068	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	13	16	15	69	25	115	27	14	44	14	22	4	29	9	31	5	28	28	24	14	3	29	12	19	47	31	227	6	920	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	5	10	43	156	29	142	66	96	39	18	31	15	44	17	20	35	15	9	27	18	21	29	27	12	25	21	92	1	1,063	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	1	13	13	66	25	56	44	52	26	16	12	8	32	5	10	21	18	11	11	12	11	20	15	11	19	7	69	1	605	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	13	17	25	184	39	156	67	81	30	31	17	14	48	21	18	28	18	14	26	18	29	51	32	24	25	21	114	1	1,161	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	2	7	16	41	19	45	46	36	21	10	6	4	17	11	6	18	12	9	12	14	8	28	13	6	14	16	69		506	
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	1	3	3	34	3	43	13	1	8	1	1		3	1	3	2	2	2	2	2		5	4	2	4			1	139	
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	1			5		3	3	1	2						5	1	3					1	1	1	3	1	6		37	
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	23	40	59	390	57	425	151	106	89	40	52	10	127	25	62	49	72	38	54	33	23	90	59	47	66	52	26	38	2,303	
Contravention of requirements at junctions				1		20			4						1		2		1			1			1	1	3		35	
Contravention of requirements for reversing				3		6	1				2			1	1				2			1					5		23	
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts		1	1	4	1	8	2	3	1	1	4					1			1		1	1	2	2	4		3		40	
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	32	50	55	253	96	849	171	99	154	61	79	17	87	43	63	94	132	30	81	49	29	131	70	57	78	64	204	4	3,132	
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	1	3	2	11	2	168		2	12	1	4	1	1	1	8	3	11		1	7	1	1	7	3	4	2	21		277	
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	31	67	43	251	122	279	114	78	123	27	48	12	74	26	63	59	62	48	51	36	21	97	61	31	60	38	33	152	2,107	
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	3		1	4	2	8	1		6	2	2	1	1		2		4	1				9	2	4	2	3			58	
Drive from right lane to another without yielding						1					1		1														3		3	
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	2		2	1		28	5	1	7		2	1	3	1	4	1	5	1				1		1	1	4	5	1	78	
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load			1	2		1	5	3		2	3			1								1		1	1		1		21	
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight						1										1			1										3	
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	1		3	2		2	4	1	2		1	2		7	1		2					2	2	2		2			42	
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight				4		2	5		1				1	1					4			1	1	2		1	1		22	
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	11	30	58	131	21	317	71	72	57	25	34	10	116	17	28	42	36	17	32	24	5	65	65	25	78	40	323	6	1,756	
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	11	18	55	121	24	348	114	67	50	13	46	2	68	57	33	28	35	12	53	39	12	50	20	33	51	17	217	2	1,596	
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	4	9	27	59	15	174	50	29	30	14	17	1	35	19	20	18	17	8	7	6	5	20	12	20	26	6	131	1	780	
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight		1																											1	
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted							1																						1	
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	868	776	1,684	6,013	1,107	12,430	3,903	2,819	3,526	1,476	1,438	296	2,832	547	1,308	2,306	2,274	490	1,156	840	637	2,448	1,583	1,328	2,339	1,456	4,390	133	62,403	
Driving along/across median strip	1	8	10	4	28	17	1	3	3	3	3	6	2	3	8	10		5	2	4	1	6	4	5	3	3	16	1	157	
Driving dangerously defective vehicle		3	3	5	4		2	1	3		6	2	2	2		1	5	1	2			2	4	4	2		1	3	58	
Driving on/across cycle track					3																								3	
Driving on/across footway			2	3	1	31	2	1	1		4		1		1		4			2	2	1		1	1		14		72	
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994				1	1	30	3	1					2								1						3		44	
Driving vehicle before remedying a defect				1																									1	
Driving without reasonable consideration	227	236	338	1,259	412	3,933	880	467	1,031	458	425	102	467	234	441	458	635	142	386	281	190	568	642	340	630	438	1,501	49	17,170	
Entry to hatched marked area	7	9	7	44	28	211	28	33	37	36	17	1	23	6	25	28	41	36	7	13	4	20	13	13	35	20	71	7	820	
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	63	16	6	45	24	117	192	45	630	29	79	20	24	7	21	16	116	5	104	71	141	16	18	27	119	35	111		2,097	
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	16	18	21	97	50	118	69	29	67	21	36	8	116	27	28	25	90	16	60	19	1	77	23	71	229	31	181		1,544	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	1	2		4	36				4						33		48	13		1						1	30		173	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	1	4		12	48	3			5		2	2			36		84	41				2				1	35		278	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)		66		70	43	4		7	1	2	22	1	3	7	7	14	2	3			4	2	1	12	1	4	64		333	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)		65		76	23	2		3			20		3	3	1	9	3	3			2	1		7	1	5	40		268	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)		6		6	36	9		7			6	3	11	1	114	7		1	2	19	12	1		12	3	2	37		295	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)		9		3	11	84	7	1	11		18	1	21	6	111	15		6	4	42	29	2	1	19	4	6	48		460	
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	27	9	147	79	5	401	38	102	93	34	55	2	289	14	41	10	55	5	49	7	1	225	10	28	27	39	515		2,307	
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	24	8	94	47	3	473	27	81	117	29	41	2	208	4	35	8	64	5	33	4	3	96	5	16	9	35	430		1,901	
Exceeding																														

No of Notices by Offence Type

22-35mcg of alcohol per 100ml of breath	53
50-80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood	13
67-107mg of alcohol per 100ml of urine	12
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	4,842
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	113
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	97
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	2,296
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	1,068
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	920
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	1,063
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	605
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	1,161
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	506
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	139
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	37
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	2,303
Contravention of requirements at junctions	35
Contravention of requirements for reversing	23
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	40
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	3,132
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	277
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	2,107
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	58
Drive from right lane to another without yielding	3
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	78
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load	21
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight	3
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	42
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight	22
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	1,756
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	1,596
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	780
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	1
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted	1
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	62,403
Driving along/across median strip	157
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	58
Driving on/across cycle track	3
Driving on/across footway	72
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994	44
Driving vehicle before remedying a defect	1
Driving without reasonable consideration	17,170
Entry to hatched marked area	820
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	2,097
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	1,544
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	173
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	278
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)	333
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)	268
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)	295
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)	460
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	2,307
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	1,901
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	347
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Southbound)	774
Fail to act in accordance with Garda signal	20
Fail to comply with Keep to Right/Left signs	13
Fail to comply with mandatory traffic signs	154
Fail to comply with No Entry traffic sign	242
Fail to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	3,549
Fail to comply with traffic lane markings	347
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	29
Fail to obey traffic lights	12,921
Fail to stop before stop sign/stop line	568
Fail to stop for Garda	288
Fail to stop for school warden sign	6
Fail to turn left onto a roundabout	11
Fail to yield right of way	252
Fail to yield right of way at sign/line	95
General speed obligation - stop visible distance	58
Learner driver unaccompanied by a qualified driver	24,684
Modified plated vehicle with inaccurate inscription	6
Modified/altered vehicle that plate is inaccurate	18
Motorcycle Tyre with Depth Less than 1mm - User	18
No cert of road worthiness user	34
No child restraint front seat - child	26
No child restraint rear seat - child	86
No insurance - (user)	13,732
No safety belt - driver	1,785
No safety belt front seat - child	56
No safety belt rear seat - child	139
Non-Display of L Plate (Learner Driver)	12,648
Non-Display of N plate (Novice driver)	1,794
Non-Display of yellow 'L' tabard on motorcycle	411
Non-Display of yellow 'N' tabard on motorcycle	8
Offence relating to Overtaking	1,440
Overtake - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	14
Overtake - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	38
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	2
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	3
Parking a vehicle in a dangerous position	115
Proceeding beyond a traffic lane control sign	2
Proceeding beyond max design gross vehicle weight sign	20
Proceeding beyond max vehicle axle loading weight sign	6
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign vehicle	1
Reduced to Driving without reasonable consideration	118
Speeding	417,521
Speeding Buses no standing passengers	3
Striking bridge with vehicle	1
Tyre with Cut - User	25
Tyre with Depth Less than 1.6 mm - User	726
Tyre with Lump/Bulge/Tear/Partial Failure - User	40
Tyre with Ply/Cord Exposed - User	456
Unsuitable Tyre - User	36
Unsuitable Tyre due to degree of inflation - User	16
Use vehicle without NCT certificate	14,007
Using vehicle without authorisation plate goods vehicle/trailer	13
Using vehicle without authorisation plate passenger	14
U-Turn on dual carriageway/central reserve/traffic island	162
Total	625,593