



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	20	523	4,447	99	433	640	15	43	85	18	10	21	6,354
CAVAN	27	587	5,435	98	721	657	12	64	81	19	13	11	7,725
CLARE	28	747	9,050	116	950	1,324	27	96	185	33	19	19	12,594
CORK	194	3,686	35,556	752	3,420	4,631	95	360	565	134	82	69	49,544
DONEGAL	39	855	10,247	112	965	1,243	24	67	141	37	15	16	13,761
DUBLIN	1,764	11,779	71,761	2,789	10,907	9,845	388	986	1,379	418	236	233	112,485
GALWAY	119	1,587	18,509	321	1,945	2,565	58	182	356	80	57	54	25,833
KERRY	46	1,035	10,313	184	1,075	1,571	25	99	211	56	27	34	14,676
KILDARE	143	2,211	16,903	408	1,946	2,395	47	207	292	86	50	45	24,733
KILKENNY	39	876	6,360	183	575	892	22	61	126	30	13	10	9,187
LAOIS	31	849	6,084	175	740	921	28	78	138	20	24	19	9,107
LEITRIM	10	247	2,338	34	189	267	4	9	30	7	2	6	3,143
LIMERICK	72	1,296	13,914	286	1,822	2,103	48	153	257	91	30	68	20,140
LONGFORD	15	437	3,265	65	456	512	18	48	58	23	12	20	4,929
LOUTH	92	1,043	6,936	190	1,147	861	25	88	111	31	19	15	10,558
MAYO	37	829	10,034	116	729	1,422	26	95	163	26	25	24	13,526
MEATH	163	1,428	13,488	250	1,414	1,670	25	126	205	48	22	19	18,858
MONAGHAN	46	421	4,236	84	569	526	11	32	61	8	4	14	6,012
OFFALY	22	674	6,526	154	669	926	18	65	120	34	26	21	9,255
ROSCOMMON	24	543	4,756	77	449	628	14	57	75	17	16	13	6,669
SLIGO	58	445	4,738	67	326	671	13	35	61	11	11	7	6,443
TIPPERARY	24	1,301	13,323	287	1,377	2,098	33	140	294	66	25	37	19,005
WATERFORD	34	1,311	8,326	251	948	1,173	28	86	145	39	15	18	12,374
WESTMEATH	37	729	7,398	130	724	1,003	28	90	134	30	16	30	10,349
WEXFORD	118	1,481	12,867	287	1,140	1,925	49	162	281	45	30	37	18,422
WICKLOW	67	1,117	10,983	222	878	1,563	39	113	212	46	15	29	15,284
FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER²	247	1,488	43,498	78	780	2,920	28	185	398	4	35	40	49,701
UNKNOWN³		2	24	59	1,540			1				1	1,627
Total	3,516	39,527	361,315	7,874	38,834	46,952	1,148	3,728	6,164	1,457	849	930	512,294

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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	3,516
2	39,527
3	361,315
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6	46,952
7	1,148
8	3,728
9	6,164
10	1,457
11	849
12	930
Total	512,294

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	4	1	4	1			3	1	3	2		2		1	1	4	1	3	1	1		1	56	
50-80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood				1	1	2	1			2						2					1	1			1	1			1	13	
67-107mg of alcohol per 100ml of urine				4	1	1	2			2												1	1							12	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	47	62	161	381	104	737	322	322	194	94	136	28	306	49	56	99	111		36	121	90	32	303	132	100	269	128	453	10	4,883	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	1	2	2	5		27	2	4	5	4	3		2	1	8	3	6			3	2		5	1	6	2	3	13	1	111	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	1	1	4	4		13	4		4	7	2		2		4	2	4			3	1	2		4	3	4	6	3	16	1	95
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	41	21	68	207	128	326	102	78	94	32	69	15	121	17	61	46	47		16	56	50	11	54	52	55	174	79	235	12	2,267	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	7	12	19	162	20	227	57	25	40	25	13	5	28	9	29	16	27		11	19	14	8	27	30	19	33	31	146	5	1,064	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	10	16	18	62	25	108	24	16	38	14	21	4	23	9	30	5	28		27	24	14	3	29	12	19	48	27	216	6	876	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	5	11	42	152	29	144	63	94	38	17	35	14	46	18	19	34	15		10	27	19	25	32	26	12	25	22	88	1	1,063	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	2	13	13	65	27	56	45	49	29	17	14	8	36	5	9	19	15		10	12	14	10	20	18	11	16	8	66	1	608	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	12	17	25	179	42	157	67	77	30	19	13	51	21	17	30	18			15	27	19	31	51	30	23	24	22	108		1,155	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	1	9	17	41	19	50	46	35	22	12	6	4	16	11	6	18	13		9	13	15	9	27	17	8	17	14	67		522	
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	1	4	4	38	3	45	11	1	8	1	1		4	1	1	5	2		2	2	1		5		4	1	4		1	146	
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	1			4		3	3	1	2						6	1	2						1		1	4	1	6		36	
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	24	40	61	388	57	430	150	106	89	40	48	9	129	26	58	51	72		38	56	32	23	92	57	45	61	51	27	38	2,298	
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	1				1	2			1					4		23	
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	1	1	1	4	1	8	2	3	1	1	4					1						1	1	2	2	4		2		40	
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	33	47	54	252	98	757	164	99	143	59	79	16	86	45	61	93	135		31	80	50	30	129	75	55	78	67	206	4	3,026	
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	1	3	1	8	2	176	1	4	13	1	4	1	1	1	8	3	13			1	6	1	8	3	3	3	2	20		285	
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	33	68	42	256	123	276	112	79	126	27	50	13	75	28	69	57	61		48	50	36	24	95	60	31	57	39	34	157	2,126	
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	3		1	1	2	8	1		6	2	2	1	1		1				1				7		2	4	2	2		51	
Drive from right lane to another without yielding						1					1		1															2		3	
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	2		2	1		28	5	1	7		2	1	3	1	4	1	5		1					1	1	5	5	1	79		
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load			1	2		1	5	3		2	3			1									1		1	1	1	1		22	
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight						1													1											2	
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	1		4	3		2	4	1	3	2	2		9	1						3		2	1	2	2		1	2		46	
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight				4		1	4		1				1	1							1	1	2					2		19	
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	13	32	60	130	21	312	68	71	66	25	34	8	106	16	33	43	30		16	34	30	6	71	69	25	76	38	310	5	1,748	
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	11	18	53	114	30	347	109	65	54	13	44	2	69	58	36	31	34		16	52	36	13	50	18	32	51	19	212	2	1,589	
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	4	8	25	61	16	173	48	24	29	15	18	1	37	21	20	17	18		7	7	7	5	19	14	19	23	5	121	1	763	
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight		1																										1		2	
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted							1																					1		1	
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	820	767	1,651	5,859	1,126	11,978	3,731	2,770	3,443	1,459	1,412	299	2,732	548	1,309	2,267	2,294		491	1,145	831	624	2,424	1,576	1,308	2,335	1,417	4,242	131	60,989	
Driving along/across median strip	1	11	9	5	32	18	1	4	3	3			6	2	5	8	10		4	2	4	1	6	5	4	3	3	17	1	168	
Driving dangerously defective vehicle		3	3	6	4	1	2	1	3		6	2	2	2		1	5		1	1	1		2	4	4	2		1	3	60	
Driving on/across cycle track					3																									3	
Driving on/across footway			2	3	1	29	1	1	1		4		2		1		4				2	2	1		2	1		16		73	
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994				1	1	28	3	1					2										1					3		42	
Driving vehicle before remedying a defect				1																										1	
Driving without reasonable consideration	220	218	317	1,249	412	3,797	856	454	1,020	435	414	94	460	236	428	436	606		135	373	274	182	569	646	335	607	424	1,448	50	16,695	
Entry to hatched marked area	6	11	7	47	30	209	29	35	36	35	18	1	22	5	26	27	39		36	7	13	4	21	15	12	38	19	71	7	826	
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	43	11	4	32	20	79	118	33	354	23	46	16	21	5	12	4	61		2	46	44	91	9	11	16	75	21	67		1,264	
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	6	8	8	40	20	60	30	13	30	7	15	5	47	19	6	12	37		4	22	14	1	36	9	38	138	18	79		722	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	1	1		4	27				3					23		34					8		1					1	20	123	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	1	3		10	32	2			1		1	2		26		59					4		2		2			1	29	199	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)		46		47	31	3		5	1	2	16	1	2	4		12			2	2		2	2		6	1	3	53	241		
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)		49		1	54	16	1		3			15		3	3	1	7		1	3		1			5	1	4	31	199		
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)		3		5	25	9			5			5	1	5	1	98	4		1	1	16	11	1		9	1	2	24	227		
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)		6		2	8	66	5	1	9		1	15	1	20	5	88	12		5	3	27	25	2	1	13	2	3	37	357		
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	19	8	109	46	3	270	25	72	73	26	40	1	205	11	30	8	30		3	36	6	1	164	6	19	22	28	356	1,617		
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	17	7	76	39	2																										

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	12
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	4,883
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	111
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	95
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	2,267
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	1,064
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	876
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	1,063
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	608
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	1,155
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	522
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	146
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	36
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	2,298
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	3,026
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	285
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	2,126
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	51
Drive from right lane to another without yielding	3
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	79
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load	22
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight	2
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	46
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight	19
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	1,748
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	1,589
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	763
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	2
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted	1
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	60,989
Driving along/across median strip	168
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	60
Driving on/across cycle track	3
Driving on/across footway	73
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994	42
Driving vehicle before remedying a defect	1
Driving without reasonable consideration	16,695
Entry to hatched marked area	826
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	1,264
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	722
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	123
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	199
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)	241
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)	199
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)	227
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)	357
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	1,617
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	1,351
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	279
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Southbound)	611
Fail to act in accordance with Garda signal	18
Fail to comply with Keep to Right/Left signs	13
Fail to comply with mandatory traffic signs	155
Fail to comply with No Entry traffic sign	243
Fail to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	3,484
Fail to comply with traffic lane markings	320
Fail to Deactivate Airbag Child Restraint in use	6
Fail to drive on the left hand side	104
Fail to obey rules at railway level crossing	31
Fail to obey traffic lights	12,696
Fail to stop before stop sign/stop line	557
Fail to stop for Garda	277
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	94
General speed obligation - stop visible distance	50
Learner driver unaccompanied by a qualified driver	23,963
Modified plated vehicle with inaccurate inscription	5
Modified/altered vehicle that plate is inaccurate	15
Motorcycle Tyre with Depth Less than 1mm - User	18
No cert of road worthiness user	35
No child restraint front seat - child	26
No child restraint rear seat - child	85
No insurance - (user)	13,623
No safety belt - driver	1,797
No safety belt front seat - child	57
No safety belt rear seat - child	139
Non-Display of L Plate (Learner Driver)	12,395
Non-Display of N plate (Novice driver)	1,748
Non-Display of yellow 'L' tabard on motorcycle	393
Non-Display of yellow 'N' tabard on motorcycle	8
Offence relating to Overtaking	1,433
Overtake - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	14
Overtake - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	41
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	2
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	3
Parking a vehicle in a dangerous position	112
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	8
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign vehicle	1
Reduced to Driving without reasonable consideration	125
Speeding	418,716
Speeding Buses no standing passengers	3
Striking bridge with vehicle	1
Tyre with Cut - User	24
Tyre with Depth Less than 1.6 mm - User	723
Tyre with Lump/Bulge/Tear/Partial Failure - User	37
Tyre with Ply/Cord Exposed - User	448
Unsuitable Tyre - User	40
Unsuitable Tyre due to degree of inflation - User	12
Use vehicle without NCT certificate	13,679
Using vehicle without authorisation plate goods vehicle/trailer	13
Using vehicle without authorisation plate passenger	13
U-Turn on dual carriageway/central reserve/traffic island	150
Total	619,356