



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	517	4,369	100	439	609	15	47	81	18	7	21	6,243
CAVAN	30	576	5,426	98	722	664	13	64	78	20	13	11	7,715
CLARE	31	755	9,096	114	940	1,360	25	101	192	30	20	18	12,682
CORK	191	3,653	35,776	753	3,448	4,696	97	360	576	131	84	76	49,841
DONEGAL	40	863	10,182	112	970	1,225	22	66	131	36	14	19	13,680
DUBLIN	1,784	11,698	71,901	2,783	10,786	9,893	389	1,009	1,395	418	230	241	112,527
GALWAY	122	1,580	18,563	324	1,934	2,526	54	184	358	81	54	53	25,833
KERRY	47	1,042	10,251	181	1,064	1,566	26	98	208	54	24	40	14,601
KILDARE	140	2,218	16,832	417	1,950	2,369	50	204	292	89	51	52	24,664
KILKENNY	37	877	6,359	182	570	877	21	67	123	29	11	11	9,164
LAOIS	30	849	6,077	177	730	928	30	77	142	20	24	16	9,100
LEITRIM	10	244	2,301	34	190	268	4	9	31	7	2	6	3,106
LIMERICK	77	1,292	13,900	288	1,794	2,094	52	154	276	87	28	62	20,104
LONGFORD	16	441	3,291	69	458	510	18	50	54	23	12	18	4,960
LOUTH	92	1,038	6,916	191	1,146	860	25	84	112	29	17	15	10,525
MAYO	38	816	9,988	117	719	1,356	25	97	153	24	24	26	13,383
MEATH	165	1,428	13,492	246	1,402	1,690	26	125	208	47	18	19	18,866
MONAGHAN	48	414	4,236	86	570	517	11	29	60	8	6	14	5,999
OFFALY	23	674	6,592	150	679	933	23	66	121	34	26	22	9,343
ROSCOMMON	24	540	4,737	75	449	626	16	57	75	16	16	13	6,644
SLIGO	56	442	4,683	68	323	658	13	31	60	11	11	7	6,363
TIPPERARY	26	1,304	13,346	282	1,375	2,107	34	146	292	64	21	39	19,036
WATERFORD	34	1,315	8,364	247	943	1,148	29	98	144	37	15	19	12,393
WESTMEATH	37	738	7,438	129	728	1,002	27	93	137	30	16	27	10,402
WEXFORD	113	1,468	12,842	283	1,145	1,887	47	159	266	44	30	37	18,321
WICKLOW	67	1,107	10,963	221	877	1,568	37	118	205	47	18	30	15,258
FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER²	247	1,476	43,394	74	772	2,929	27	182	390	4	36	37	49,568
UNKNOWN³		2	24	58	1,558			1				1	1,644
Total	3,545	39,367	361,339	7,859	38,681	46,866	1,156	3,776	6,160	1,438	828	950	511,965

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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	3,545
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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	10	4	1	4	1			3		1	3	2		2		1	1	4	1	3	1	1		1	57
50-80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood				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	64	160	389	107	749	316	326	195	96	134	28	303	50	55	102	113		38	125	93	32	305	139	99	267	121	454	10	4,917
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	1	2	2	5		28	2	4	5	4	3		4	1	8	3	6			3	2		5	1	6	2	3	15	1	116
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	1	1	4	4		13	5		4	7	2		2		4	2	4			3	1	2		3	6	7	3	15	1	99
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	40	21	70	204	129	326	106	79	99	32	72	15	118	18	62	46	45	16	61	55	10	55	50	55	178	81	231	12	2,286	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	6	12	18	161	20	231	56	28	40	25	13	4	29	9	31	16	25	11	19	14	8	26	30	20	32	32	145	5	1,066	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	8	15	20	63	25	112	24	17	41	13	22	4	22	9	30	5	30	27	26	14	3	29	17	19	47	28	217	8	895	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	5	13	43	146	29	140	65	95	37	16	34	14	45	20	19	33	17	10	28	19	25	32	32	13	24	23	89	1	1,067	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	2	12	12	64	28	53	44	49	30	18	14	11	38	5	10	18	14	10	13	14	10	20	19	11	15	9	66	1	610	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	12	17	26	174	42	154	65	78	30	30	18	13	55	21	18	30	19	16	29	22	31	51	32	23	24	23	104	66	1,157	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	1	6	17	40	19	48	48	35	22	15	8	4	16	11	10	18	12	9	13	14	9	30	17	8	17	14	66		527	
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	1		4	43	4	52	13	1	8	1	1		4	1	1	5	2	2	2	1		6							1	162
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)	23	40	60	398	55	424	151	102	89	38	49	9	128	28	57	54	72	36	54	31	22	94	57	47	62	54	26	37	2,297	
Contravention of requirements at junctions				1		18			4						1		2		1			1				1		3	32	
Contravention of requirements for reversing				3		7	1				2		1	1	1				1	2		1						4	24	
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	1	1	1	4	1	7	2	3	1							1					1	1	2	2	4			4	40	
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	33	47	53	263	98	730	166	103	139	58	82	16	91	43	59	91	132	32	76	51	31	128	76	51	80	64	208	3	3,004	
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	1	3	1	8	2	178	1	4	13	1	4	1	1	1	8	3	13			1	6	1	7	4	3	3	20	287		
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	33	70	42	260	123	272	112	78	133	27	49	13	78	30	71	59	60	52	50	36	23	93	59	33	57	39	36	159	2,147	
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	3		1	1	2	7	1		7	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		3	4		28	5	1	6		2	1	13	1	4	1	5	1			1	1	1	1	1	5	5	1	93	
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	4		2	4	1	4	2	3		9							3		2	1	2	2				49	
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight				4		1	4		1				1	1							1	1	3		1	1	2		20	
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	14	31	59	135	20	301	66	73	63	26	29	8	110	15	32	42	28	16	34	29	6	77	72	26	81	38	296	5	1,732	
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	11	18	60	118	30	349	108	69	52	14	47	3	68	56	34	30	34	17	54	35	13	51	18	32	46	19	215	2	1,603	
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	4	7	27	63	16	174	48	24	28	15	18	2	38	21	19	17	18	7	6		7	5	18	12	19	22	4	123	2	764
Driver Owner Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight		1																											2	
Driver Owner Transmits greater Load than Max Load Permitted							1																						1	
Driving a vehicle while holding a mobile phone	806	781	1,684	5,924	1,141	11,917	3,694	2,785	3,474	1,481	1,412	295	2,729	546	1,327	2,227	2,341	498	1,142		824	623	2,409	1,610	1,303	2,345	1,401	4,186	136	61,041
Driving along/across median strip	1	11	1	9	5	32	17	1	4	3	3		7	2	5	7	11	4	2	4	1	7	5	4	3	3	17	1	170	
Driving dangerously defective vehicle		3	3	7	4	1	2		3		6	2	2	2		1	6	1	1		1		2	4	4	2	1	3	61	
Driving on/across cycle track						3																							3	
Driving on/across footway			2	3	1	33	1	1			4		2		1		4				1	2	1		2	1		16	75	
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994				1	1	26	3	1					2									1					3		40	
Driving vehicle before remedying a defect				1																									1	
Driving without reasonable consideration	219	208	308	1,257	414	3,796	848	460	1,030	438	417	96	454	236	424	425	598	134	367		275	179	577	652	342	598	422	1,442	49	16,665
Entry to hatched marked area	6	13	10	47	31	218	29	35	37	34	18	1	22	6	27	28	42	39	7	14	4	21	15	12	36	19	70	7	848	
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	30	10	4	29	14	62	92	30	232	18	32	13	20	5	8	2	47	2	32		33	72	8	7	8	70	18	53	951	
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	4	3	6	21	8	41	12	6	20	4	5	2	31	10	4	10	20			13		7	1	24	4	24	118	14	36	448
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	1	2			3	22			2					20			23			7								16	96	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	1	3			8	27	1		1		1	2			19		47			23							1	25	161	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)		37			43	27	3		5	1	1	15	1	2	3		11	2	1		2		2		5	1	3	46	211	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)		43		1	48	15	1		2			11		3	2	1	5	1	3		1		1		4	1	3	29	174	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)		2			5	23	8		4			3	1	5	1	90	2	1	1		12	11	1		9	1	2	23	205	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)		6		1	6	57	4	1	8		1	9		19	4	83	11	3	3		24	21	2	1	9	2	1	32	308	
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	20	8	93	41	3	228	20	58	64	17	36	1	178	8	23	6	24	3	31		5	2	144	6	14	20	21	313	1,387	
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	13	6	70	33	2	292	16	48	69	18	21	1	126	2	21	4	38	4	19		1	2	65	5	7	6	22	271	1,182	
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	2																													

No of Notices by Offence Type

22-35mcg of alcohol per 100ml of breath	57
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	4,917
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M2 Vehicle	116
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M3 Vehicle	99
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	2,286
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	1,066
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	895
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	1,067
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	610
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	1,157
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	527
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	162
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	36
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	2,297
Contravention of requirements at junctions	32
Contravention of requirements for reversing	24
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	40
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	3,004
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	287
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	2,147
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	51
Drive from right lane to another without yielding	3
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	93
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load	22
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight	2
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	49
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight	20
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	1,732
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	1,603
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	764
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	61,041
Driving along/across median strip	170
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	61
Driving on/across cycle track	3
Driving on/across footway	75
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994	40
Driving vehicle before remedying a defect	1
Driving without reasonable consideration	16,665
Entry to hatched marked area	848
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	951
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	448
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	96
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	161
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)	211
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)	174
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)	205
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)	308
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	1,387
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	1,182
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	254
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Southbound)	526
Fail to act in accordance with Garda signal	18
Fail to comply with Keep to Right/Left signs	12
Fail to comply with mandatory traffic signs	156
Fail to comply with No Entry traffic sign	256
Fail to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	3,502
Fail to comply with traffic lane markings	313
Fail to Deactivate Airbag Child Restraint in use	7
Fail to drive on the left hand side	103
Fail to obey rules at railway level crossing	32
Fail to obey traffic lights	12,690
Fail to stop before stop sign/stop line	560
Fail to stop for Garda	279
Fail to stop for school warden sign	7
Fail to turn left onto a roundabout	11
Fail to yield right of way	250
Fail to yield right of way at sign/line	93
General speed obligation - stop visible distance	50
Learner driver unaccompanied by a qualified driver	23,772
Modified plated vehicle with inaccurate inscription	5
Modified/altered vehicle that plate is inaccurate	15
Motorcycle Tyre with Depth Less than 1mm - User	17
No cert of road worthiness user	37
No child restraint front seat - child	26
No child restraint rear seat - child	85
No insurance - (user)	13,455
No safety belt - driver	1,802
No safety belt front seat - child	57
No safety belt rear seat - child	139
Non-Display of L Plate (Learner Driver)	12,303
Non-Display of N plate (Novice driver)	1,748
Non-Display of yellow 'L' tabard on motorcycle	396
Non-Display of yellow 'N' tabard on motorcycle	8
Offence relating to Overtaking	1,444
Overtake - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	15
Overtake - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	44
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	2
Overtake Attempt - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	3
Parking a vehicle in a dangerous position	111
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	7
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign vehicle	1
Reduced to Driving without reasonable consideration	138
Speeding	422,991
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	728
Tyre with Lump/Bulge/Tear/Partial Failure - User	38
Tyre with Ply/Cord Exposed - User	451
Unsuitable Tyre - User	39
Unsuitable Tyre due to degree of inflation - User	11
Use vehicle without NCT certificate	13,716
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	149
Total	622,168