



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	526	4,495	99	420	646	14	45	85	19	10	19	6,400
CAVAN	28	585	5,413	95	702	652	13	61	78	16	14	11	7,668
CLARE	28	750	8,959	113	932	1,288	27	89	178	33	21	20	12,438
CORK	196	3,689	35,062	742	3,345	4,554	94	351	568	135	82	67	48,885
DONEGAL	37	846	10,193	111	960	1,236	27	60	147	38	14	15	13,684
DUBLIN	1,775	11,817	71,152	2,786	10,822	9,687	386	968	1,370	410	218	224	111,615
GALWAY	116	1,595	18,443	315	1,925	2,554	54	187	360	80	55	52	25,736
KERRY	44	1,028	10,283	177	1,071	1,554	26	104	213	56	26	35	14,617
KILDARE	143	2,218	16,849	405	1,941	2,382	48	194	289	86	49	44	24,648
KILKENNY	40	871	6,359	180	570	893	23	59	126	29	14	10	9,174
LAOIS	31	853	6,041	174	737	906	27	73	141	20	23	21	9,047
LEITRIM	11	248	2,305	34	186	270	4	9	30	7	2	6	3,112
LIMERICK	72	1,285	13,872	283	1,786	2,074	50	155	265	85	31	71	20,029
LONGFORD	15	436	3,260	64	455	492	18	47	58	23	11	20	4,899
LOUTH	92	1,049	6,908	192	1,134	854	24	84	107	32	20	14	10,510
MAYO	40	830	9,978	116	721	1,435	25	99	161	26	23	22	13,476
MEATH	163	1,433	13,433	250	1,412	1,647	24	124	198	46	21	21	18,772
MONAGHAN	47	428	4,238	84	550	516	11	28	62	8	5	15	5,992
OFFALY	22	671	6,446	154	660	916	18	68	120	34	24	21	9,154
ROSCOMMON	24	548	4,711	76	442	608	14	57	78	18	14	13	6,603
SLIGO	59	446	4,776	66	319	668	13	36	66	11	13	8	6,481
TIPPERARY	23	1,290	13,244	289	1,368	2,085	33	141	280	64	25	35	18,877
WATERFORD	34	1,314	8,325	254	922	1,156	32	85	148	35	15	18	12,338
WESTMEATH	39	727	7,349	129	722	995	26	87	129	26	14	30	10,273
WEXFORD	116	1,470	12,858	277	1,126	1,957	52	155	289	44	30	36	18,410
WICKLOW	67	1,118	10,951	219	867	1,532	34	109	216	48	15	29	15,205
FOREIGN LICENCE HOLDER²	241	1,507	43,314	73	762	2,931	28	182	390	3	35	48	49,514
UNKNOWN³		2	24	58	1,514			1				1	1,600
Total	3,525	39,580	359,241	7,815	38,371	46,488	1,145	3,658	6,152	1,432	824	926	509,157

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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	3,525
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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	9	4	1	4	1			3	1	3	2		2		1	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	55		
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		2												1	1						12		
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	47	62	157	379	102	740	319	316	193	91	138	29	302	47	57	100	106		35	121	86	31	286	130	100	264	124	457	10	4,829	
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		7	2			2	4	2	4				3	1	2	4	3	5	6	3	15	1	95	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N1 Vehicle	42	19	65	215	125	327	100	77	95	32	67	16	125	16	56	46	47	15	54		50	12	53	52	55	169	78	232	12	2,252	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	7	13	18	162	19	225	59	24	38	25	12	5	26	8	29	16	28	10	20		14	8	27	30	20	33	32	145	5	1,058	
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	10	16	18	65	25	109	26	15	39	14	21	4	23	8	28	5	29	27	24		14	3	30	219	12	19	45	28	219	6	882
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	5	12	41	154	28	145	65	95	39	17	35	15	44	17	19	34	15	10	26		18	24	32	26	12	23	21	90	1	1,063	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	1	12	12	66	25	55	44	50	27	16	13	8	33	5	9	19	16	10	11		14	10	20	16	11	17	8	70	1	599	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	12	18	24	176	39	156	66	76	30	29	19	14	48	21	17	29	18	15	24		18	30	49	32	24	23	21	107		1,135	
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	1	7	15	41	19	48	46	35	22	12	6	4	16	11	6	18	13	9	12		15	8	28	13	8	16	14	70		513	
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	1	3	3	35	3	45	11	1	8	1	1		3	1	1	3	2	2	2		1		5		4	1	4		1	139	
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	1			4		3	3	1	2						5	1	3						1		1	3	1	6		35	
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	23	40	60	382	57	423	149	105	89	40	48	9	124	25	59	50	71		38	55		32	22	88	56	45	62	50	28	38	2,268
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	3		4	41	
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	32	47	54	250	96	775	166	99	145	60	79	15	88	41	62	93	132		29	79		50	29	130	71	54	77	65	204	4	3,026
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	1	3	1	9	2	171	1	3	14	1	4	1	1	1	8	3	12				1	6	1	8	3	3	2	20		280	
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	31	66	42	246	122	273	111	78	122	27	48	12	72	27	64	58	59		46	50		36	21	95	60	31	55	38	33	148	2,071
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	3		1	1	2	9	1		5	2	2	1	1		1				1				7		2	4	2	2		51	
Drive from right lane to another without yielding						1					1		1																	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		22	
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight						1													1											2	
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	1		4	3		2	4	1	3	1	2		8	1						3		2	1	2		2				44	
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight				4		1	4		1				1	1							1	1	2					2		19	
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	12	31	59	128	21	313	69	72	62	25	34	8	110	16	29	42	31		16	33		29	6	68	65	25	75	40	309	5	1,733
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	11	18	54	115	28	343	114	64	55	12	45	2	69	57	35	29	36		15	52		38	13	50	18	33	51	18	211	2	1,588
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	4	9	25	61	16	169	49	27	29	14	18	2	36	20	20	17	18		8	7		7	5	19	12	19	23	6	127	1	768
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	827	756	1,637	5,847	1,113	11,985	3,769	2,756	3,450	1,461	1,408	293	2,736	540	1,296	2,255	2,272		485	1,142		830	619	2,419	1,561	1,310	2,313	1,401	4,244	131	60,856
Driving along/across median strip	1	8	10	5	29	17	1	4	3	3			6	2	3	8	9		5	2		4	1	6	5	5	3	3	16	1	160
Driving dangerously defective vehicle		3	3	5	4		2	1	3		6	2	2	2		1	5		1	1		1		2	4	4	2	1	3	58	
Driving on/across cycle track					3																									3	
Driving on/across footway			2	2	1	27	1	1	1		4		1		1		4				2	2	1		2	1		14		67	
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	222	222	323	1,230	411	3,816	857	456	1,016	437	414	95	457	233	429	441	604		136	375		278	182	558	637	340	605	423	1,454	49	16,700
Entry to hatched marked area	6	10	7	47	29	207	28	34	37	36	18	1	22	5	25	28	40		34	7		13	4	20	15	12	38	20	68	7	818
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	47	13	5	37	21	91	138	35	441	23	56	18	21	7	16	6	77		3	60		54	105	10	14	19	87	27	85		1,516
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	8	10	13	60	23	76	40	18	41	14	20	7	64	23	12	15	49		8	36		14	1	48	12	51	156	23	107		949
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	1	2		4	29				3					25	39				12		1							1	23		140
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	1	3		10	37		3		3		1	2		27	65				32				2					1	29		218
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)		53		53	36	3	5	1	2	17	1	2	2	5		12	2		2	3		3	2	2	7	1	3	56		267	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)		54		1	61	20	2		3			17		3	3	1	8		1	3		2			6	1	5	35		226	
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)		5		5	28	9			6			5	1	7	1	101	4		1	1		17	11	1		9	1	2	28		243
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)		6		2	9	70	5	1	10			16	1	21	5	94	12		5	4		29	28	2	1	13	3	4	43		385
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	20	8	120	57	4	309	35	83	80	28	48	2	244	11	35	9	38		4	41		7	1	194	7	25					

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	12
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. M1 Vehicle	4,829
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	2,252
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N2 Vehicle	1,058
Adult Failing to wear Safety Belt cat. N3 Vehicle	882
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left front wheel	1,063
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Left rear wheel	599
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right front wheel	1,135
Bald/Not maintained/cause damage tyre-Right rear wheel	513
Breach of duties on occurrence of an accident	139
Breach of motorway outside lane driving rule	35
Careless Driving contrary to section 52(1)	2,268
Contravention of requirements at junctions	35
Contravention of requirements for reversing	23
Contravention of rules for use of mini roundabouts	41
Cross continuous white line/broken white line	3,026
Crossing 'No Entry' sign	280
Dangerous Driving Reduced to Careless Driving	2,071
Drive against flow of traffic on motorway	51
Drive from right lane to another without yielding	3
Drive on hardshoulder/non carriageway - motorway	78
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Load	22
Driver (Owner) Exceeding Maximum Weight	2
Driver Exceeding Design Gross Vehicle Weight	44
Driver Exceeding Maximum Weight	19
Driver Fail ensure Passenger U/17 wear Safety Belt	1,733
Driver Fail Restrain Child O/3 in Child Restraint	1,588
Driver Fail Restrain Child U/3 in Child Restraint	768
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	60,856
Driving along/across median strip	160
Driving dangerously defective vehicle	58
Driving on/across cycle track	3
Driving on/across footway	67
Driving past a red light.Contrary to sec 35(5)RTA 1994	44
Driving vehicle before remedying a defect	1
Driving without reasonable consideration	16,700
Entry to hatched marked area	818
Exceed Local Road Speed Limit 60km/h	1,516
Exceed Regional Road Speed Limit 80km/h	949
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Northbound)	140
Exceeding average speed 100km (N2/Southbound)	218
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Northbound)	267
Exceeding average speed 100km (N3/Southbound)	226
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Eastbound)	243
Exceeding average speed 100km (N5/Westbound)	385
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Eastbound)	1,865
Exceeding average speed 120km (M7/Westbound)	1,546
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Northbound)	301
Exceeding special speed 80km (Port Tunnel/Southbound)	657
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	238
Fail to comply with prohibitory traffic signs	3,473
Fail to comply with traffic lane markings	328
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	12,650
Fail to stop before stop sign/stop line	557
Fail to stop for Garda	281
Fail to stop for school warden sign	6
Fail to turn left onto a roundabout	11
Fail to yield right of way	251
Fail to yield right of way at sign/line	92
General speed obligation - stop visible distance	51
Learner driver unaccompanied by a qualified driver	24,008
Modified plated vehicle with inaccurate inscription	5
Modified/altered vehicle that plate is inaccurate	16
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	86
No insurance - (user)	13,396
No safety belt - driver	1,794
No safety belt front seat - child	57
No safety belt rear seat - child	139
Non-Display of L Plate (Learner Driver)	12,389
Non-Display of N plate (Novice driver)	1,740
Non-Display of yellow 'L' tabard on motorcycle	394
Non-Display of yellow 'N' tabard on motorcycle	8
Offence relating to Overtaking	1,429
Overtake - Inconvenience /Endanger Other Than Cyclist	15
Overtake - Inconvenience/Endanger Cyclist	40
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	8
Proceeding beyond maximum vehicle length sign vehicle	1
Reduced to Driving without reasonable consideration	117
Speeding	414,229
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	726
Tyre with Lump/Bulge/Tear/Partial Failure - User	37
Tyre with Ply/Cord Exposed - User	444
Unsuitable Tyre - User	34
Unsuitable Tyre due to degree of inflation - User	15
Use vehicle without NCT certificate	13,663
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	153
Total	615,341