

# **COVID-19 Support Schemes**

Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme (EWSS)

## **Preliminary Statistics**

(as at 19 May 2022)

**These statistics are provisional and will be revised**

## Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme (EWSS)

The EWSS is an economy-wide enterprise support. The Scheme provides a subsidy to qualifying employers based on the numbers of eligible employees on the employer's payroll. EWSS replaced the Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme (TWSS) from 1 September 2020. The TWSS and the EWSS are operated by Revenue through the payroll system. EWSS payments are paid following the receipt of a payroll submission containing an EWSS claim and provide a significant positive cashflow boost for businesses.

There are **4,000** employers currently registered with Revenue for EWSS.

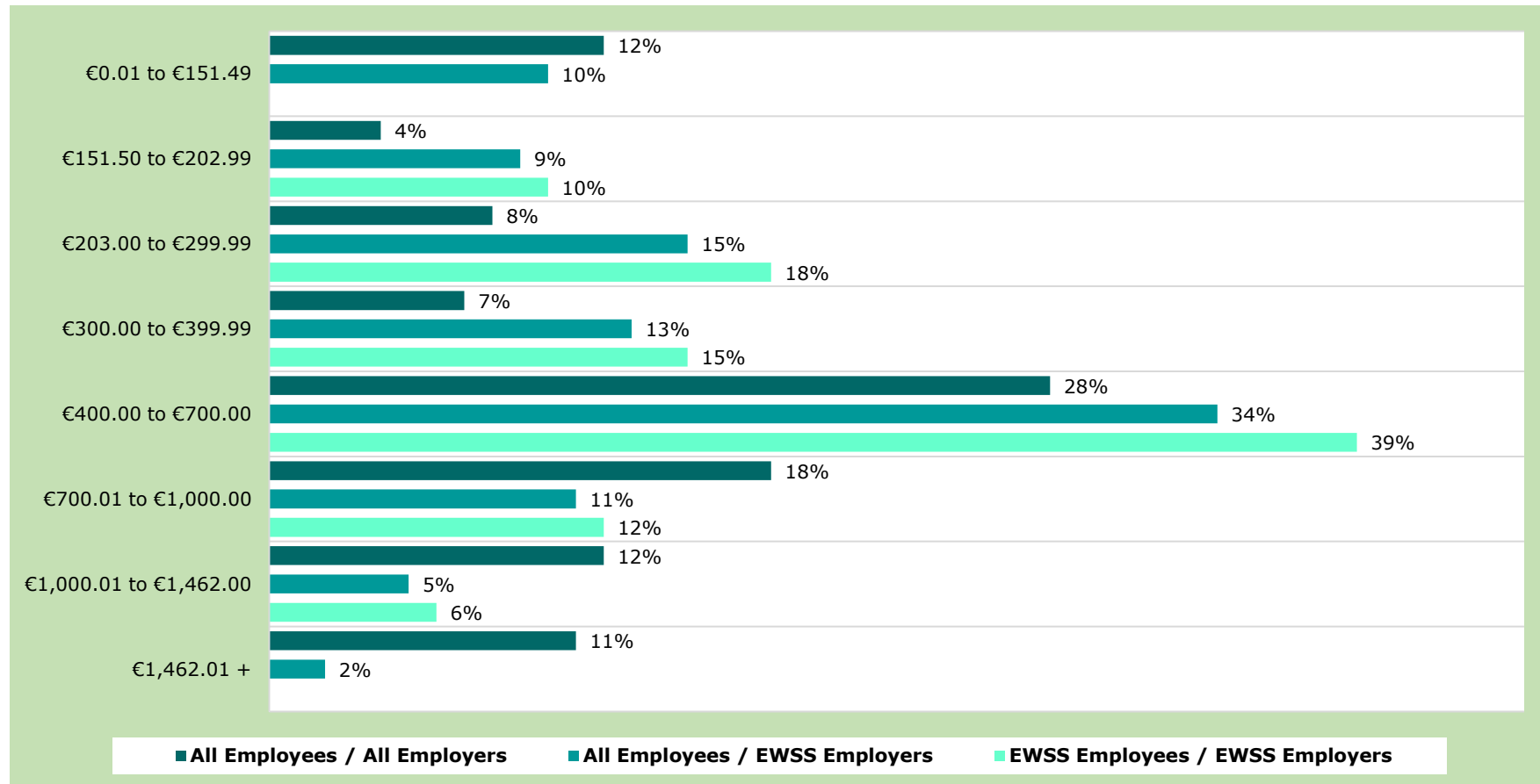
**EWSS Table 1: Payments Processed by Revenue**

Claim Month	EWSS Payments	PRSI Forgone**	Employers	Employees
July/August 2020*	€34.7	€7.3	6,500	32,300
September	€255.5	€60.8	33,600	342,500
October	€353.2	€64.4	35,600	340,400
November	€333.9	€51.5	30,800	266,000
December	€405.3	€62.1	32,500	315,500
January 2021	€396.7	€60.7	36,600	343,700
February	€380.3	€58.7	35,800	303,200
March	€389.9	€60.4	35,500	300,900
April	€407.3	€62.9	34,600	296,200
May	€361.8	€55.3	35,000	300,300
June	€412.5	€61.9	34,500	343,500
July	€449.1	€65.3	31,700	340,700
August	€387.8	€56.6	28,600	319,800
September	€390.2	€57.1	27,400	311,200
October	€363.3	€52.7	26,000	291,200
November	€335.3	€49.1	24,700	283,300
December	€374.3	€55.1	24,100	280,500
January 2022	€306.7	€44.5	23,200	267,200
February	€224.4	€44.3	22,200	259,400
March	€142.4	€0.0	21,400	263,500
April	€102.7	€0.0	20,600	258,500
May (to date)	€17.2	€0.0	3,500	83,900
<b>All Months</b>	<b>€6,824.6</b>	<b>€1,031.0</b>	<b>51,900</b>	<b>742,500</b>

\*EWSS claims for July/August 2020 in respect of newly or seasonally hired employees who were ineligible for the TWSS;

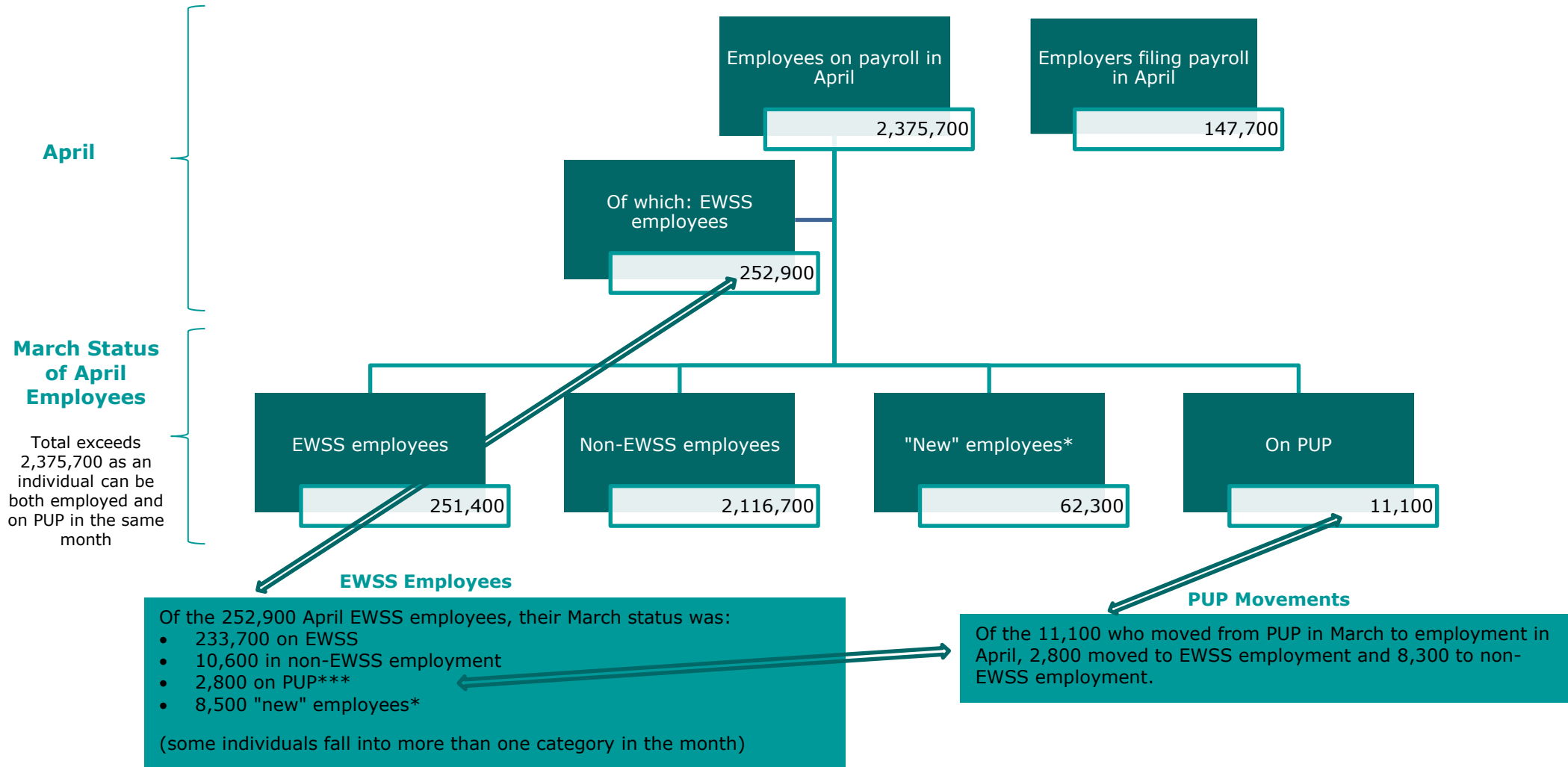
\*\*Employer PRSI forgone due to the reduced rate of PRSI on wages paid which are eligible for EWSS (until 1 March 2022).

**EWSS Table 2: Employee Incomes in April**



Note: Employees include persons in receipts of occupational pensions. Figures as of 4 May

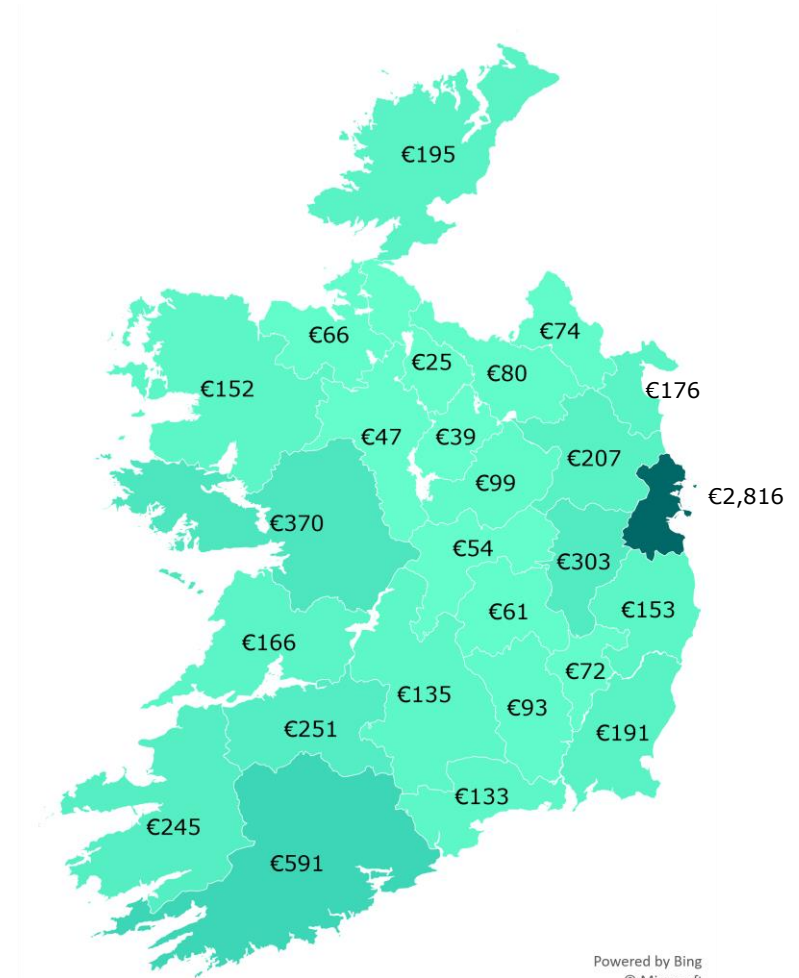
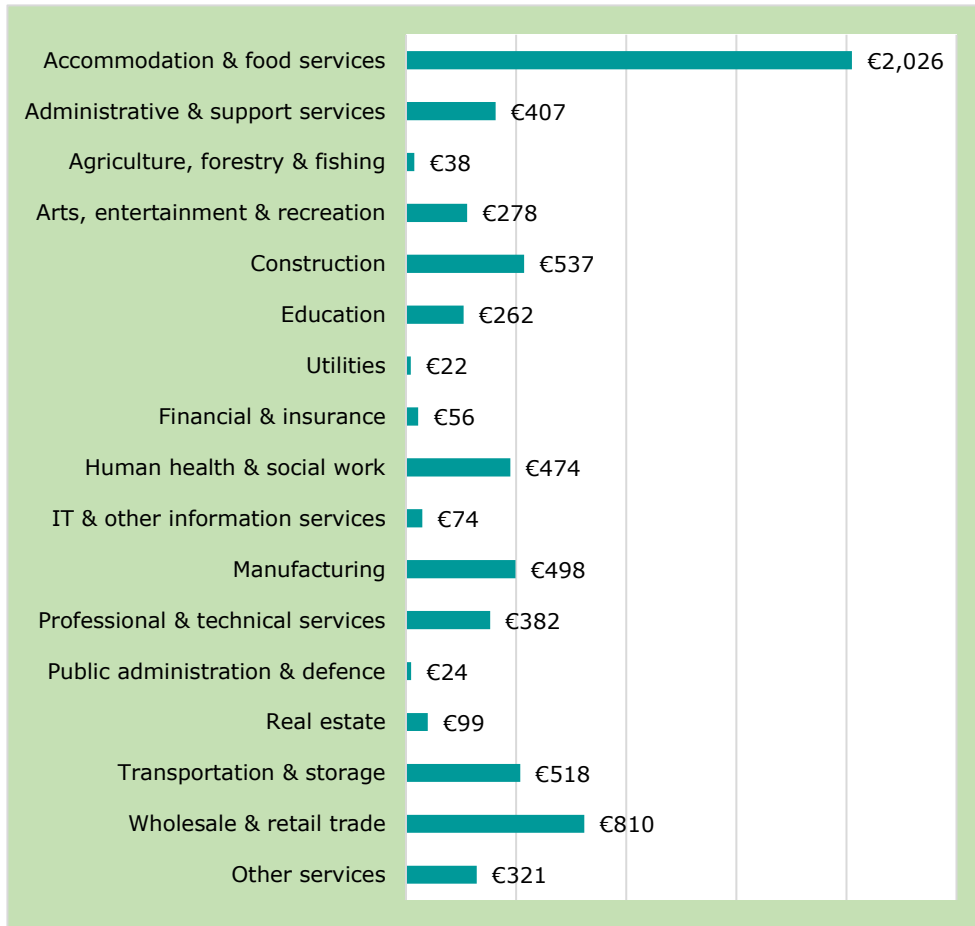
**EWSS Table 3: Employee Movements\*\***



\*Employee did not appear on payslips in March; \*\*Employee numbers in this table exclude persons in receipts of occupational pensions.

\*\*\*PUP closed to new entrants on 22 January 2022

**EWSS Table 4: Subsidy Payments by County and by Sector All Months (all amounts in € millions)**



Amounts cover all EWSS months including May to date.

## Further Information

Information on the operation of the COVID-19 support schemes are available on [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie).

Queries of a statistical nature in relation to the Schemes can be sent to [statistics@revenue.ie](mailto:statistics@revenue.ie). Media queries should be directed to [revpress@revenue.ie](mailto:revpress@revenue.ie) in the first instance.

Weekly statistics updates on COVID-19 support schemes are available [here](#).

Revenue published weekly statistics on TWSS employers and employees for the duration of the Scheme as well as a comprehensive statistical overview of the TWSS now that payslips for the relevant period are finalised ([here](#), excel version [here](#)). The Central Statistics Office (CSO) also published information on TWSS recipients by age, gender, location and sector ([here](#)). The CSO is publishing monthly estimates of the number of persons being directly supported by the EWSS, included in the Live Register release ([here](#)).