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Homeless Quarterly Progress Report

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Background

Under arrangements in place between the Department and the housing authorities, performance reports are submitted on a quarterly basis through the regional lead authorities¹. The quarterly performance reports include details of the numbers of individuals prevented from entering emergency accommodation and exiting emergency accommodation into tenancies and the duration of stay in emergency accommodation.

The Homeless Quarterly Progress Report summarises the data submitted to the Department in respect of Quarter 2 2022. The report also includes details on the number of Housing First tenancies created during the Quarter and the number of tenancies in place at the end of Quarter 2 2022.

Scale of Homelessness

There were 10,492 individuals accessing emergency accommodation at the end of Quarter 2 2022, an increase of 667 individuals on the position at the end of Quarter 1 2022 and an increase of 2,478 individuals (30.9%) on the total recorded at end Quarter 2 2021.

There were 1,385 families accessing emergency accommodation at the end of Quarter 2 2022, an increase of 147 on the position at the end of Quarter 1 2022 and an increase of 453 families (35.6%) on the total recorded at end Quarter 2 2021. The largest number of families recorded to date was 1,778 in July 2018.

Preventions and Exits from Emergency Accommodation

From Quarter 1 2022, regional quarterly performance reports now include details on the number of adults who have exited emergency accommodation to social housing supported tenancies, as well as persons who were assessed as homeless but were prevented from entering emergency accommodation through the creation of a social housing supported tenancy. Previously these figures were combined.

¹ The administration of homeless services is organised across nine administrative regions, with one local authority in each of the regions, "the lead authority", having overall responsibility for the disbursement of Exchequer funds.

During Quarter 2, a combined total of 1,211 adults and their dependants exited, or were prevented from entering emergency accommodation by way of a tenancy being created, a decrease of 1% on Quarter 1 2022. A total of 2,439 adult preventions and exits from been achieved in the year to date. This represents a 10.8% decrease on the 2,735 adult preventions and exits achieved over the corresponding period in 2021.

Adults Exiting from Emergency Accommodation

The table below compares exits by tenancy type in Quarter 2 2022 to Quarter 1 2022.

Adults exiting emergency accommodation		
	Quarter 2 2022	Quarter 1 2022
Local authority lettings	198 (35%)	159 (28%)
AHB lettings/LSTA	165 (29%)	172 (30%)
Private rented HAP	208 (36%)	239 (42%)
	571	570

The table below sets out exits from emergency accommodation by region in Quarter 2 2022.

Adults exiting emergency accommodation by region		
	Quarter 2 2022	2022 YTD
Dublin	283	584
Mid-East	60	102
Midlands	6	28
Mid-West	31	76
North-East	17	30
North-West	4	8
South-East	42	73
South-West	89	164
West	39	76
	571	1,141

The table below sets out exits by household type in Quarter 2 2022².

Households exiting emergency accommodation by household and tenancy type		
	Single Households	Family Households
Local authority lettings	86	69
AHB lettings/LSTA	88	49
Private rented HAP	94	84
	268	202

Adults Prevented from Entering Emergency Accommodation

The table shows preventions by tenancy type in Quarter 2 compared to Quarter 1 2022

Adults prevented from entering emergency accommodation by tenancy type		
	Quarter 2 2022	Quarter 1 2022
Local authority lettings	70 (11%)	55 (8%)
AHB lettings/LSTA	95 (15%)	67 (10%)
Private rented HAP	475 (74%)	536 (82%)
	640	658

The table below sets out preventions by region in Quarter 2 2022.

Adults prevented from entering emergency accommodation by region		
	Quarter 2 2022	2022 YTD
Dublin	306	689
Mid-East	41	60
Midlands	35	77
Mid-West	30	52
North-East	20	31
North-West	7	19
South-East	91	185
South-West	55	108
West	55	77
	640	1,298

² A small minority of the individuals listed as 'single' households in this context are actually couples without children so the number of 'single' households may be slightly overstated.

The table below sets out preventions by household type in Quarter 2 2022.

Households prevented from entering emergency accommodation by household and tenancy type		
	Single Households	Family Households
Local authority lettings	28	29
AHB lettings/LSTA	75	16
Private rented HAP	180	207
	283	252

National Family Presentations, Preventions and Exits

As a result of an enhanced level of data now being reported in regional performance reports, the Department can now provide data on family presentations, preventions and exits. The data provided show that:

- The total number of families presenting has decreased when compared to Quarter 1 by 10% (from 728 to 654);
- The net number of new families entering accommodation has decreased from Quarter 1 by 13.7% (from 466 to 402);
- The number of families exiting emergency accommodation by means of a social housing support has increased slightly by 4% (from 200 to 208).

The table below outlines the homeless presentations, preventions and exits at a national level.

Month	Total families Presenting	Less families prevented from entering emergency accommodation	<u>Net</u> new families entering emergency accommodation	Families leaving emergency accommodation
Q1 2022	728	262	466	200
Q2 2022	654	252	402	208

Family Presentations, Preventions and Exits (Dublin only)

In addition to the performance reports, the Dublin Region Homeless Executive has been providing the Department with enhanced data on family homelessness in the Dublin Region on a monthly basis. The data provided show that:

- Family presentations in the Dublin region in Q2 were down 22% on the corresponding period in 2021 (from 443 to 346);
- The number of families entering emergency accommodation decreased over the same period by 3% (from 219 to 213);
- Of the families presenting to homeless services in the Dublin Region in Q2, 38% were prevented from having to enter emergency accommodation by way of a tenancy having been created.
- 97 families exited emergency accommodation into a tenancy, a 56% decrease on the 220 family exits achieved in the Dublin region in Q2 2021.

The table below sets out the number of family presentations, preventions and exits in the Dublin Region in 2022 to date:

Month	Total families Presenting	Less families prevented from entering emergency accommodation	<u>Net</u> new families entering emergency accommodation	Families leaving emergency accommodation
Jan-22	134	60	74	35
Feb-22	133	53	80	31
Mar-22	146	55	91	41
Apr-22	121	41	80	25
May-22	110	46	64	38
Jun-22	115	46	69	34
2022 YTD	759	301	458	204

Length of Stay in Emergency Accommodation

The performance reports provide data on the length of time spent in emergency accommodation. Reporting on length of stay has been revised as of this quarter: data is now reported as six-monthly bands ranging from less than six months to more than two years and is also disaggregated by household type. These bands refer to consecutive stays in emergency accommodation and are based on a point-in-time count, informed by emergency accommodation usage on the last night in the quarter.

Duration of stays by Single Households in Emergency Accommodation as of the last night in the Quarter (30/06/2022)										
Monthly bands	Dublin	Mid East	Mid West	Midland	North East	North West	South East	South West	West	Total
0-6	1810	120	148	31	43	7	121	237	87	2604
6-12	649	58	48	26	8	19	43	86	32	969
12-18	286	30	28	10	3	17	20	54	14	462
18-24	184	19	9	6	1	13	2	31	17	282
24+	554	33	27	4	9	8	18	35	30	718
Totals	3483	260	260	77	64	64	204	443	180	5035

Duration of stays by Family Households in Emergency Accommodation as of the last night in the Quarter (30/06/2022)										
Monthly bands	Dublin	Mid East	Mid West	Midland	North East	North West	South East	South West	West	Total
0-6	450	49	56	18	8	12	19	63	38	713
6-12	207	14	11	7	1	1	3	14	18	276
12-18	100	4	5	2	0	0	2	2	13	128
18-24	75	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	85
24+	146	4	2	0	0	0	2	0	26	180
Totals	978	75	74	27	9	13	26	79	101	1382

Housing First

Housing First provides housing and wrap-around supports to rough sleepers and long-term users of emergency accommodation with complex health needs. A new National Implementation Plan, which provides for a further 1,319 tenancies covering the period 2022-2026, was published in December 2021. In Quarter 2, a total of 51 new Housing First tenancies commenced. 117 tenancies have been established under the current National Implementation Plan. 737 individuals are currently in a Housing First tenancy. The table below sets out:

- The total number of Housing First tenancies created in each region in Q2 2022;
- The total number of individuals in a Housing First tenancy at the end of Quarter 2 (including those housed prior to the current plan); and
- The total number of individuals currently in a Housing First tenancy who entered into their tenancy under the current Housing First Implementation Plan (2022-2026).

Region	Total tenancies created in Q2 2022	Total number of individuals currently in a tenancy	Total number of tenancies created under current Plan 2022-2026
Dublin	17	417	42
Mid-East	7	50	13
Midlands	1	34	12
Mid-West	7	30	10
North-East	1	33	5
North-West	0	21	1
South-East	4	75	11
South-West	11	48	19
West	3	29	4
Total	51	737	117

