

FOI DOF/2025-0210

Request

Can you please tell me what the current general EO1 vacancies are, broken down into towns and departments?

DoF Response

I can confirm the department holds some of the information requested.

Details of the total vacancies in each department is not held centrally by Department of Finance. Each Civil Service department is responsible for managing its resources – both financial and staff. Each department determines its individual workforce needs and is responsible for ensuring that any additional staffing resources are affordable. When a department identifies a vacancy that needs filled, the request is referred to NICSHR to initiate the process to fill the post. NICSHR liaises with all departments on an ongoing basis to seek to prioritise recruitment activity within allocated financial and staff resources.

As at the end of March 2025, (the most recent figures available at time of the request), the NICSHR caseload for general service EO1 vacancies was 342. The breakdown of the vacancies by town and Department is shown in the table below.

| Town | DAERA | DE | DfC | DfE | DfI | DoF | DoH | DOJ | PPS | TEO | Total |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Antrim | 2 | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | 4 |
| Armagh | 2 | | 2 | | | | | 1 | | | 5 |
| Ballykelly | 12 | | 2 | | | | | | | | 14 |
| Ballymena | 1 | | 4 | | | | | | | | 5 |
| Ballymoney | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Ballynahinch | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Banbridge | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Bangor | | 7 | 3 | | | 1 | | | | | 11 |
| Belfast | 24 | | 82 | 6 | 18 | 39 | 5 | 21 | 1 | 6 | 202 |
| Carrickfergus | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Coleraine | 1 | | 2 | | 2 | | | | | | 5 |
| Cookstown | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Craigavon | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 2 |
| Derry-Londonderry | 8 | | 20 | | | 5 | | 5 | | | 38 |
| Downpatrick | 3 | | 1 | | | | | | | | 4 |
| Dungannon | 1 | | 2 | | | | | 3 | | | 6 |
| Enniskillen | | | 2 | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Kilkeel | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Larne | 2 | | 1 | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Limavady | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Lisburn | 8 | | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 11 |
| Lurgan | | | 3 | | | | | | | | 3 |
| Magherafelt | | | 2 | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Newry | 1 | | 3 | | | | | 1 | | | 5 |
| Newtownabbey | | | 5 | | | | | | | | 5 |
| Newtownards | | | 4 | | | | | | | | 4 |
| Omagh | 1 | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Portadown | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Strabane | | | 2 | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Total | 66 | 7 | 149 | 6 | 23 | 46 | 5 | 33 | 1 | 6 | 342 |