

FOI DOF/2025-0587

Request

1. I would be grateful if I can raise a FOI request/s asking how many EO2 vacancies are there in Orchard House presently and in which Departments are they in please?
2. And also how many Eo2 posts are there in Ballykelly and what departments are they in?

Clarification received 14/10/25

I can confirm I meant eo2 vacancies (Q2)

DoF Response

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

1. 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 NICS HR to initiate the process to fill the post. NICS HR 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 September 2025, (the most recent figures available at time of the request), NICS HR was managing a caseload of 13 vacancies at EO2 and analogous grades based in Orchard House. Of the 13 vacancies, 11 are General Service and 2 are Non-General Service. The breakdown by Department is shown in the table below.

Department	Number of vacancies		Total
	General Service	Non General Service	
DAERA	8		8
DfE		2	2
DoF	3		3
Grand Total	11	2	13

2. As at the end of September 2025 NICS HR was managing a caseload of 11 vacancies at EO2 and analogous grades based in Ballykelly. Of the 11 vacancies, 10 are General Service and 1 is Non-General Service. The breakdown by Department is shown in the table below.

Department	Number of vacancies		Total
	General Service	Non General Service	
DAERA	5	1	6
DfC	5		
Grand Total	10	1	11