

FOI DOF/2023-0255

Request

1. Can you please confirm the number of vacancies that are suitable to be filled from the Staff IRC275969 (SO) merit list.
2. Can you please confirm how many people remain on the IRC275969 (SO) current merit list.
3. Can you please confirm the most recent date a successful candidate was placed from the IRC275969 (SO) merit list.

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 it 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 June 2023, NICSHR was managing a caseload of 131 vacancies at General Service Staff Officer (SO) Grade that may be filled from competition IRC275969.
2. As at the end of June 2023, there are 246 candidates remaining on the SO General Service Competition IRC275969.
3. The last candidate to be placed from Competition IRC275969 was issued with an offer letter on 17 November 2022 and took up post on 19 December 2022.