

ECONOMIC DASHBOARD

May 2024

Kilkenny



Comhairle Chontae Chill Chainnigh

Kilkenny County Council

LABOUR MARKET



- 46,196** Total Labour Force
- 2,295** Live Register Kilkenny, April 2024
Source: CSO.ie
- 169,003** Seasonally Adjusted National Live Register April 2024
- 4.4%** Seasonally Adjusted Monthly Unemployment
up from 4.1% March 2024
Source: CSO.ie April 2023



POPULATION

Total Population Ireland

5,149,139

up 8% since Census 2016

Total Population Kilkenny County

104,160

up 5% since Census 2016

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND PLANNING



FOR RENT

FOR SALE

Properties For Rent

197

Houses for Sale in Kilkenny

(62 in Kilkenny City) (Source: Daft.ie April 2024)

€1,375 Average monthly rent Kilkenny

€301,521 Average house asking price Kilkenny

25% Lower than national average

7.6% Lower than the National average of €326,469

42% Lower than Dublin City National Rents

20.8% Lower than in Dublin City €380,832
Source Daft.ie, Q1 2024

4.9% year on year national increase (lowest rate of rent inflation since 2021)

source: Daft.ie Q1 2024

Housing Stock Growth Kilkenny

5.2% since census 2016 versus state average of 6%
Source: CSO.ie

Planning/Multi-Unit Developments May 2024

105 multi-unit housing developments with planning permission secured in County Kilkenny/ **48** of these within Kilkenny City, **26** of these in larger County Towns. **3,049** units within the **105** schemes in the County/ City. **46 housing schemes active in County Kilkenny with valid commencement notices for 1,128 units/22** housing schemes active within Kilkenny City with valid commencement notices for **818** units

INDUSTRY ACTIVITY



- 301,475** Employed in IDA companies
15,520 in the South East (Source: IDA 2022)
- 218,178** Employed in EI companies Nationally, up 5% in 2022
- +7%** Employment growth in EI companies in the South East in 2022
Source: EI 2022 Y/E
- 1,077** Employed in 182 Local Enterprise businesses in Kilkenny
- 6,159** Active Enterprises in Kilkenny, 9 >250 employees (Source: CSO.ie)

(Source: HEA)

THIRD LEVEL EDUCATION



- 4,610 students from Kilkenny were enrolled in a third level institution in 2022/2023
- 29% of all Kilkenny students enrolled in third level are attending SETU. The number of Kilkenny students enrolled in SETU is more than double the number enrolled in any other third level institution. The institution with the second highest enrollment from Kilkenny students is UCC at 12%.

Source: HEA.ie

WHAT'S HAPPENING

- Kilkenny County Council in partnership with Cairn and Glenveagh Homes and with support from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage launched the first two Affordable Home Schemes in Kilkenny in April.
- Failte Ireland launched 'The Kilkenny Destination and Experience Development Plan' on the 30th of April in St. Canice's Cathedral.
- Kilkenny County Council launched the Kilkenny City Pilot Night Time Economy Action plan on the same date.
- The new Mayfair Library located in the Kilkenny's Abbey Quarter was officially opened by Minister Heather Humphreys on the 24th of April.
- Minister Humphreys also opened the new remote working hub "Exit 4" in Urlingford on the same day.

