

FOI DOF/2024-0287

Request

Can you provide me with an update on IRC265807 EO1 Competition as of the new head count from 2nd July 2024?

1. How many candidates remain to be placed broken down by phase?
2. The number of current EO1 vacancies - broken down by location.
3. Number of current EO1 vacancies that are not full time - broken down by location.
4. Can you confirm when the merit list will be closed?

DoF Response

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

1. As of the end of June 2024 the number of candidates remaining to be placed broken down by phase is as follows;

Phase	Candidates still to be placed
1	0
2	0
3	1
4	1
5	4
6	6
7	334

2. 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 June 2024, (the most recent figures available at time of the request), NICSHR was managing a caseload of 107 Executive Officer 1 vacancies which may be filled from competition IRC265807.

The breakdown of the locations is shown in the table below.

Town	Number of Vacancies
Antrim	1
Ballykelly	6
Bangor	1
Belfast	60
Coleraine	2
Cookstown	1
Craigavon	1
Derry-Londonderry	19
Dungannon	7
Kilkeel	1
Larne	3
Lisburn	1
Newry	1
Newtownabbey	1
Omagh	2
Total	107

3. All of the current EO1 vacancies to be filled from competition IRC265807 are full time.
4. The current EO1 competition IRC265807 is due to close on 31 December 2024.