

## FOI DOF/2024-0290

**Request Ref: IRC265807**

1. Could tell me how many EO1 vacancies there currently are following the latest headcount request which had to be returned by 2nd July and within what departments?
2. I am currently on the merit list and was wondering when you would be in a position to start to offer people places.

**DoF Response**

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

The breakdown of Departments for these vacancies is shown in the table below.

Department	EO1 vacancies to be filled from IRC265807
DAERA	23
DE	1
DfC	51
DfE	1
DfI	8
DoF	6
DoH	2
DOJ	15
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>107</b>

2. It is not currently known when offers will issue to candidates.