

## Release dates for Workforce Statistics & Analysis publications for the next 12 months

Note: Publication dates should be considered as provisional until 4 weeks prior to publication

Statistical Report	Publication Frequency	National Statistics/Official Statistics	5 Star Open Data Rating	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25
Employment in the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Quarterly	Official Statistics	3 stars	-	Figures at 1 October 24 to be published on 5 November	-	-	Figures at 1 January 2025	-	-	Figures at 1 April 25	-	-	Figures at 1 July 25	-
Equality Statistics for the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Annually	Official Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	-	-	Figures at 1 January 2025	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pay Statistics for the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Annually	Accredited Official Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Figures at year ending March 25
Personnel Statistics for the NICS	Annually	Official Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Figures at 1 April 2025	-	-	-
Sickness Absence in the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Annually	Accredited Official Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Report for 24/25	-	-	-
Quarterly Sickness Absence in the NICS	Quarterly	Accredited Official Statistics	3 stars	-	Figures for Apr-June 24 to be published on 12 November	Figures for July - Sept 24	-	-	Figures for Oct-Dec 24	-	-	-	-	-	-
Analysis of NICS Recruitment Competitions	Annually	Official Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	-	-	Figures for 2024	-	-	-	-	-	-

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