

ECONOMIC DASHBOARD

October 2022

Kilkenny



POPULATION

Total Population Ireland

5,123,536

Total Population Kilkenny County

103,685

↑ **4.5%** since 2016

(Source: CSO 2022 prelim)

LABOUR MARKET



47,407 Labour Force

2,763 Live Register Kilkenny
(one of only 6 counties with < 3,000)

(Source: CSO.ie Sept 2022)

184,100 National Live Register

↓ **1%** from August 2022 (Source: CSO.ie Sept 2022)

Seasonally Adjusted Monthly Unemployment

4.3% unchanged from August 2022.

(Source: CSO.ie Sept 2022)

INDUSTRY ACTIVITY



275,384 employed in IDA companies Nationally,
14,932 in the South East (Source: IDA 2021)

207,894 employed in EI companies Nationally

4,960 employed in EI companies in Kilkenny,
2.3% of the National figure (Source: EI)

1,059 employed in 179 Local Enterprise enterprises in Kilkenny

4,691 private businesses in Kilkenny, ↑ **15%** since 2014 (Source: BDS)

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND PLANNING



Properties For Rent/Sale

16 Properties for rent (5 in the City)

€1,218 average monthly rent Kilkenny

25% lower than national average

43% lower than Dublin City

National Rents ↑ **12.6%** year on year.

(Source: Daft.ie)



278 Houses for Sale in Kilkenny

(95 in Kilkenny City) (Source: Daft.ie)

284,547 median house price Kilkenny

8.7% lower than the National average of

23% lower than in Dublin City

Housing Stock Growth Kilkenny **5.2%**
since census 2016 (state average **6%**)

(Source: CSO.ie)



Planning/Multi-Unit Developments

with planning approval

1,726 units within **31** schemes

commencement notices

396 units within **11** schemes

To August 2022

578 applications received

448 applications granted

239 commencement notices

PIPELINE

THIRD LEVEL EDUCATION

(Source: HEA)



- SETU was officially opened on October 24th
- 4,610 students from Kilkenny were enrolled in a third level institution in 2021/2022.
- 1,484 of those were enrolled in SETU representing 32% of all Kilkenny students enrolled in third level.
- Approximately 1,300 students in County Kilkenny completed their Leaving Certificate in 2022, of which 877 or 67% went on to enrol in third level education.

LOTS HAPPENING



- The official launch of the Abbey quarter Public Realm and Tea Houses took place in May 2022
- The Brewhouse redevelopment is complete and 4,600 sqm of office space is fully occupied
- The Mayfair Library conversion and adjacent Public Realm is due for completion in early Summer 2023
- The Abbey Quarter Master Plan is currently underway
- E-planning going live in Kilkenny County Council by the end of 2022
- The new State Street building currently under construction is expected to be completed in Q4 2023
- Abbott expects to have initial employees onsite from November 2022 with projected employment number > 800
- #careerskilkenny is taking place on December 30th in the Medieval Mile Museum

