Release dates for HRCS 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	Mar-24	Apr - 24	May- 24	Jun-24	Jul- 24	Aug-24	Sep -24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan- 25	Feb-25
Employment in the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Quarterly	Official Statistics	3 stars	-	-	Figures at 1 April 24	-	-	Figures at 1 July 24	-	-	Figures at 1 October 24	-	-	Figures at 1 January 2025
Equality Statistics for the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Annually	Official Statistics	3 stars	Figures at 1 January 24 to be published 26 March	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pay Statistics for the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Annually	National Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	ı	1	-	-	Figures at year ending March 24	-	-	ı	-
Personnel Statistics for the NICS	Annually	Official Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	Figures at 1 April 24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sickness Absence in the Northern Ireland Civil Service	Annually	National Statistics	3 stars	-	-	-	Report for 23/24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quarterly Sickness Absence in the NICS	Quarterly	National Statistics	3 stars	Figures for Apr– June 24 to be published 12 March	-	-	-	-	Figures for Apr– June 24	-	-	-	Figures for July – Sept 24	-	-
Analysis of NICS Recruitment Competitions	Annually	Official Statistics	3 stars	Figures for 2023 to be published 27 March	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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