Ireland has the second highest minimum wage in the EU: €2,391 a month

Only Luxembourg pays more, at €2,704. Dublin comes in at about €3,250 a month for one person, by our estimate.



€2,391

a month, second only to Luxembourg in the EU

Capital	Dublin
Languages	English, Irish
Currency	Euro
Population	5,440,278 (2025)
Price level 2024 (EU = 100)	138
Minimum wage	€2,391 a month
Tax	40% top income tax, 23% VAT
Years to	PR 5, citizenship 5
Global Peace Index	#5 (2026)

★ Capital ● City we cover ● Other city

WAYS TO MOVE

Critical Skills Employment Permit	€3,409/mo
Citizenship by Descent	case by case

Income or funds asked for one person

COST FOR ONE, A MONTH

Dublin	€3,250
Cork	€2,600

Our estimate for a comfortable life

EAT LIKE A LOCAL

Irish stew
Soda bread

EMERGENCY
112 or 999

PLUGS
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EU AND SCHENGEN
EU, not Schengen

WORK-DAY OVERLAP
3 hours with New York

Visas, costs, taxes and cities for Ireland: **livingineurope.net/countries/ireland**

Sources: Population, price level and minimum wage: Eurostat. English: EF English Proficiency Index 2025. Peace: Global Peace Index. Visas and tax: official government pages, as listed on each of our guides. Europe-wide comparisons: Tax Foundation 2026 and Eurostat. City costs are our estimates. Dishes: Wikipedia, National dish. Map: Natural Earth. Rules change, so confirm with the immigration office. Checked 7 October 2026.