# TDs that Tweet

## Headline statistics

146



TDs have opened a Twitter account

@lukeming •

An infographic by @\_eamonnbell

http://eamonnbell.com/tdsthattweet

For details on methodology, how to

replicate and supplementary data.

Based on original research

Most tweets in sample period (2,299)

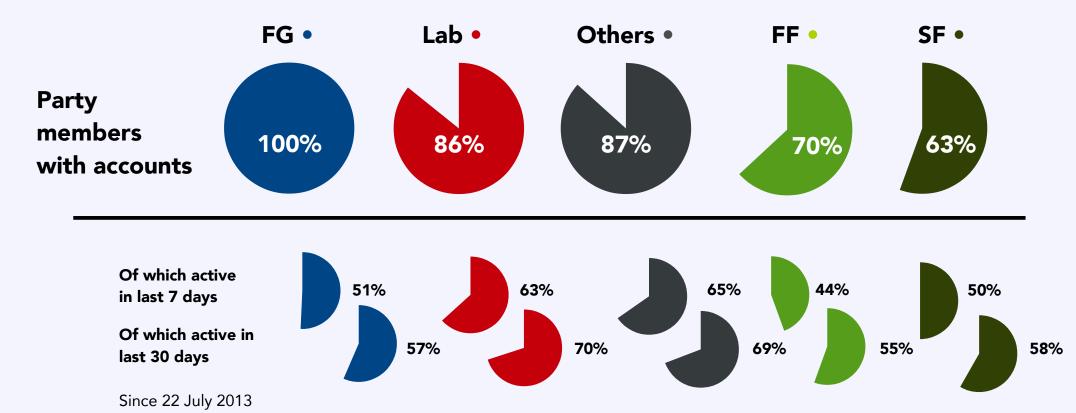
37,250

Tweets in the sample period (1 January – 22 July 2013)

@GerryAdamsSF •

Most followers (30,800)

# Adoption



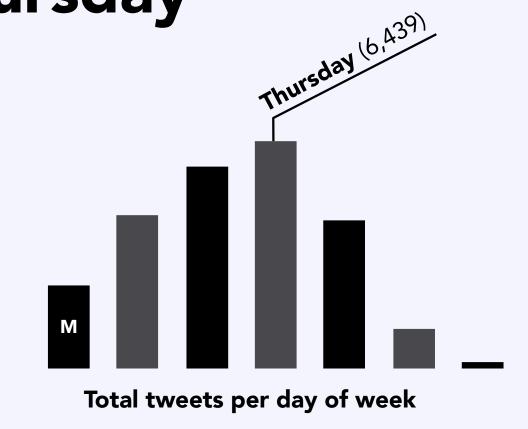
@cllrtroy • (1)
 @derekkeating • (1)
 @robert\_dow • (1)
 @Pconnaughton • (2)
 @eamonocuiv • (2)
TDs with fewest
tweets

#### Time and date

**TDs favourite time to tweet** 



Total tweets per hour of day



### Retweets

Serial retweeters

(TDs with > 50 tweets)

**@BrianStanleyTD** (86.3% RTs)

@JoeCostelloTD (70.2%)

**@mmccarthyTD** (64%)

32% of all TDs tweets are retweets

#promnight

# Hashtags

Top 5 in use

1. #dail (418)

2. #mhe (286)

3. #ccven (272)

4. #Helen4ME (235)

5. #eu2013ie (235)

Most hashtags used (individual)

@AodhanORiordan •

Party with most hashtagging members (weighted)
Others and Independents •

Single tweet by a TD with most hashtags (10) @JoeHiggins 2013 The Turning Point in the Fight against Austerity. #inmo #cahwt #siptu #ictu #cpsu #asti #tui #impact #poa #unite http://t.co/ls9NOitb6b

Top hashtags by party

#rtept (25)
#Helen4ME (233)
#Dáil (135) #Dail (140)
#mhe (21)

# **Busiest Dates**

**7 February 2013** (562)

10 July 2013 (370)

During Pregnancy

Protection of Life

11 July 2013 (369)

Bill

8 February 2013 (359)

| 14 March 2013 (320)

Pope Francis elected 13 March

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