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Population

Tables are presented on the population of the State by Health Services Executive regions. Comparison of Ireland's population with the population of other EU27 countries is also made. Preliminary results from the Census of Population conducted in 2011 recorded a population of 4,581,269 persons on census night, an increase of 8% over the 2006 population. Intercensal population estimates are also included in Table A2.

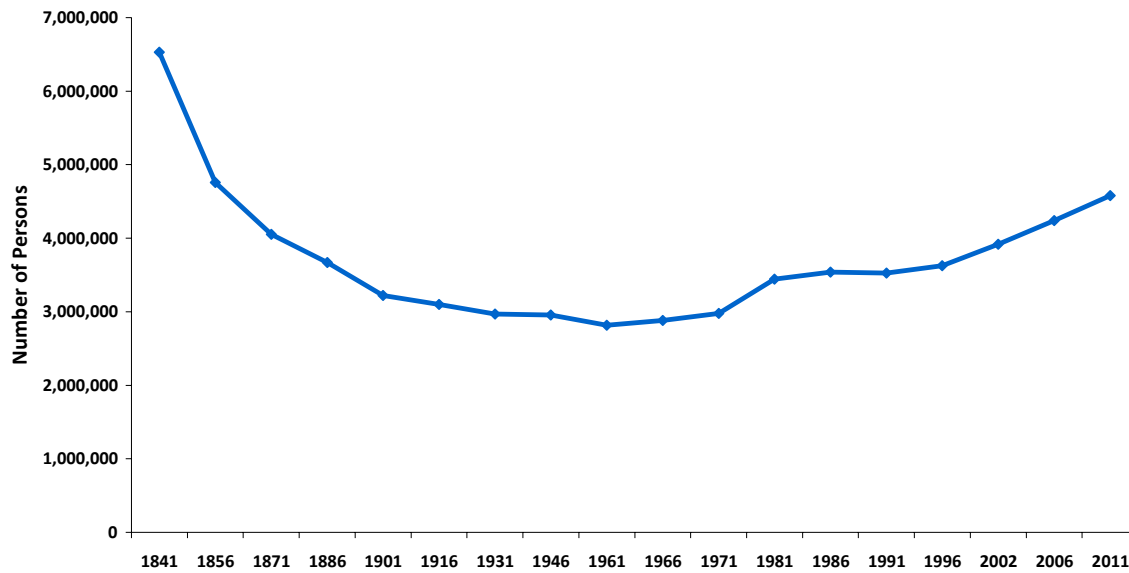
Definitions

- *The young dependency ratio refers to the number of persons aged 0-14 years as a percentage of those aged 15-64 years.*
- *The old dependency ratio refers to the number of persons aged 65 years and over as a percentage of those aged 15-64 years.*
- *The total dependency ratio is the sum of the young and old ratios.*

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FIGURE A1

TOTAL POPULATION: 1841-2011



Source: Central Statistics Office

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TABLE A1
POPULATION OF IRELAND: SUMMARY STATISTICS FOR CENSUS YEARS, 1981 - 2011

		1981	1986	1991	1996	2002	2006	2011*
Age groups: Number aged		3,443,405	3,540,643	3,525,719	3,626,087	3,917,203	4,239,848	4,581,269
	Male	1,729,354	1,769,690	1,753,418	1,800,232	1,946,164	2,121,171	2,268,698
	Female	1,714,051	1,770,953	1,772,301	1,825,855	1,971,039	2,118,677	2,312,571
0-14	Total	1,043,729	1,024,701	940,574	859,424	827,428	864,449	N/A
	Male	535,409	525,646	482,838	441,452	424,044	443,044	N/A
	Female	508,320	499,055	457,736	417,972	403,384	421,405	N/A
15-24	Total	602,556	617,524	601,598	632,890	641,522	632,732	N/A
	Male	307,123	313,999	307,887	323,093	325,705	321,007	N/A
	Female	295,433	303,525	293,711	309,797	315,817	311,725	N/A
25-34	Total	478,011	501,128	495,392	519,974	617,369	722,439	N/A
	Male	242,665	251,284	243,828	257,098	308,477	366,739	N/A
	Female	235,346	249,844	251,564	262,876	308,892	355,700	N/A
35-44	Total	359,753	421,491	463,572	496,117	562,890	623,434	N/A
	Male	184,606	214,372	232,580	246,204	279,831	315,249	N/A
	Female	175,147	207,119	230,992	249,913	283,059	308,185	N/A
45-54	Total	301,530	309,251	344,568	412,047	480,447	521,813	N/A
	Male	153,101	157,925	175,304	208,634	241,566	262,533	N/A
	Female	148,429	151,326	169,264	203,413	238,881	259,280	N/A
55-64	Total	288,872	282,193	277,115	291,753	351,546	407,055	N/A
	Male	141,267	137,733	137,256	146,499	177,386	205,504	N/A
	Female	147,605	144,460	139,859	145,254	174,160	201,551	N/A
65-74	Total	237,057	240,494	240,077	239,351	245,603	262,548	N/A
	Male	112,686	111,961	110,139	110,380	117,009	127,435	N/A
	Female	124,371	128,533	129,938	128,971	128,594	135,113	N/A
75-84	Total	108,913	118,403	133,383	139,868	148,672	157,350	N/A
	Male	44,587	48,761	54,678	56,302	59,660	64,815	N/A
	Female	64,326	69,642	78,705	83,566	89,012	92,535	N/A
85 years and over	Total	22,984	25,458	29,440	34,663	41,726	48,028	N/A
	Male	7,910	8,009	8,908	10,570	12,486	14,845	N/A
	Female	15,074	17,449	20,532	24,093	29,240	33,183	N/A
Dependency ratio:								
	0-14 years	51.4	48.1	43.1	36.5	31.2	29.7	N/A
	65 years and over	18.2	18.0	18.5	17.6	16.4	16.1	N/A
	Total	69.6	66.1	61.6	54.1	47.6	45.8	N/A
Density:								
Number of persons per square kilometre		49	50	50	52	56	60	65

Source: Central Statistics Office - Census of Population

* Preliminary Census results

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TABLE A2
ESTIMATED POPULATION BY GENDER, 1961- 2011

Year	Estimated Population 000's			Percentage increase over previous year
	Male	Female	Total	
1961(C)	1,417	1,402	2,818	---
1962	1,423	1,407	2,830	0.43
1963	1,433	1,417	2,850	0.71
1964	1,440	1,424	2,864	0.49
1965	1,446	1,430	2,876	0.42
1966(C)	1,449	1,435	2,884	0.28
1967	1,457	1,443	2,900	0.55
1968	1,464	1,449	2,913	0.45
1969	1,470	1,455	2,926	0.45
1970	1,482	1,468	2,950	0.82
1971(C)	1,496	1,482	2,978	0.95
1972	1,519	1,505	3,024	1.54
1973	1,544	1,529	3,073	1.62
1974	1,570	1,554	3,124	1.66
1975	1,597	1,580	3,177	1.70
1976	1,623	1,605	3,228	1.61
1977	1,645	1,627	3,272	1.36
1978	1,666	1,648	3,314	1.28
1979(C)	1,693	1,675	3,368	1.63
1980	1,709	1,692	3,401	0.98
1981(C)	1,729	1,714	3,443	1.23
1982	1,746	1,734	3,480	1.07
1983	1,756	1,748	3,504	0.69
1984	1,767	1,762	3,529	0.71
1985	1,771	1,769	3,540	0.31
1986(C)	1,770	1,771	3,541	0.03
1987	1,770	1,776	3,546	0.14
1988	1,759	1,772	3,531	-0.42
1989	1,744	1,766	3,510	-0.59
1990	1,743	1,763	3,506	-0.11
1991(C)	1,753	1,772	3,526	0.57
1992	1,768	1,786	3,555	0.82
1993	1,778	1,796	3,574	0.53
1994	1,783	1,803	3,586	0.34
1995	1,788	1,813	3,601	0.42
1996(C)	1,800	1,826	3,626	0.69
1997	1,819	1,845	3,664	1.05
1998	1,839	1,864	3,703	1.06
1999	1,859	1,883	3,742	1.05
2000	1,883	1,907	3,790	1.28
2001	1,913	1,934	3,847	1.50
2002(C)	1,946	1,971	3,917	1.82
2003	1,977	2,003	3,980	1.61
2004	2,012	2,033	4,045	1.63
2005	2,062	2,072	4,134	2.20
2006(C)	2,121	2,119	4,240	2.56
2007 ¹	2,171	2,168	4,339	2.33
2008 ¹	2,206	2,216	4,422	1.91
2009 ¹	2,218	2,242	4,459	0.84
2010 ¹	2,216	2,255	4,471	0.27
2011(C) ²	2,269	2,313	4,581	2.46

(1) Preliminary intercensal estimates

(2) Preliminary Census results

(C) Census

The figures in this table relate to mid-April of each year.

Source: Central Statistics Office - Census of Population and Population Estimates

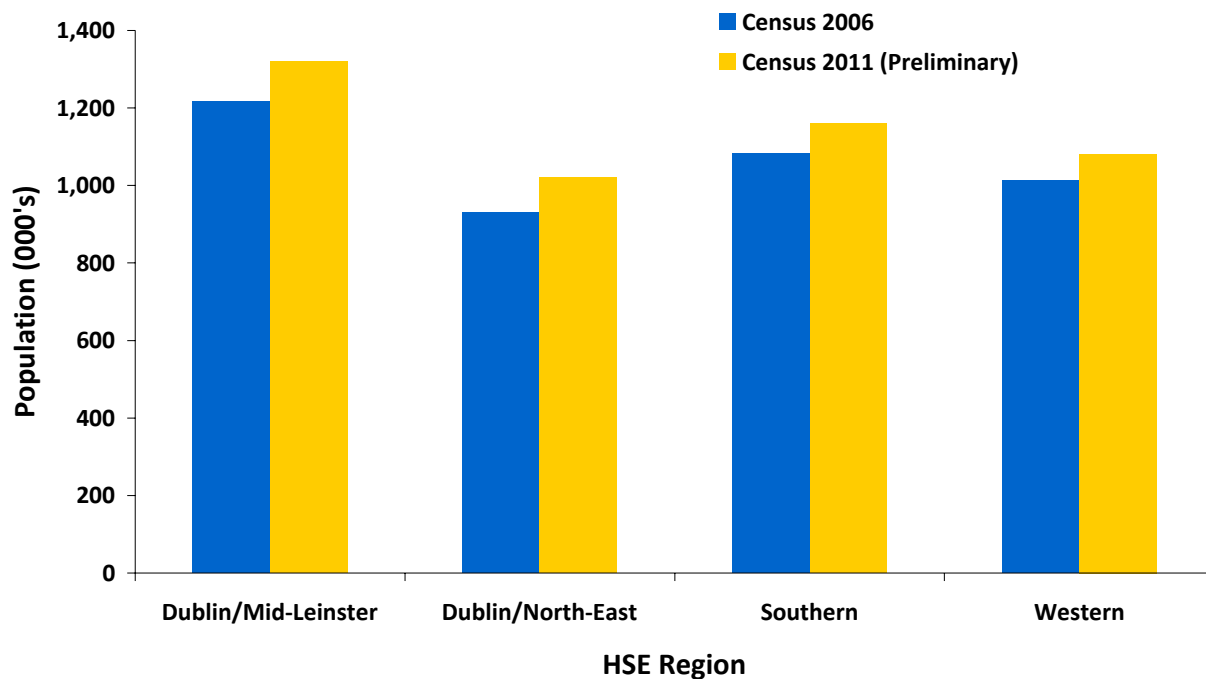
Table A3
POPULATION OF EACH OF THE HEALTH SERVICE EXECUTIVE REGIONS:
SUMMARY STATISTICS FOR CENSUS YEAR 2011

	Dublin/Mid-Leinster	Dublin/North-East	Southern	Western	Ireland
Population:					
Male	648,501	503,033	577,128	540,036	2,268,698
Female	671,253	516,625	583,353	541,340	2,312,571
Total	1,319,754	1,019,658	1,160,481	1,081,376	4,581,269
Census 2006 Total	1,216,848	928,619	1,081,968	1,012,413	4,239,848
% Increase 2006-2011	8.5%	9.8%	7.3%	6.8%	8.1%

Source: Central Statistics Office,
 Census of Population 2011
 (Preliminary Results)

Figure A2

Population of each of the Health Service Executive Regions for Census years 2006 and 2011



Source: Central Statistics Office

Note: 2011 data is preliminary

TABLE A4
POPULATION AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION BY AGE
FOR EU27 COUNTRIES, 2011

Country	Total Population 000's	Percentage Aged			
		0-14 Years	15-44 Years	45-64 Years	65 Years and over
Austria	8,404.3	14.7%	40.3%	27.4%	17.6%
Belgium*	10,839.9	16.9%	39.1%	26.8%	17.2%
Bulgaria	7,504.9	13.8%	40.9%	27.6%	17.7%
Cyprus*	803.1	16.9%	45.1%	24.9%	13.1%
Czech Republic	10,532.8	14.4%	42.8%	27.2%	15.5%
Denmark	5,560.6	17.9%	38.5%	26.8%	16.8%
Estonia	1,340.2	15.3%	41.6%	26.0%	17.0%
Finland	5,375.3	16.5%	37.4%	28.6%	17.5%
France	65,075.4	18.5%	38.4%	26.3%	16.8%
Germany*	81,802.3	13.5%	38.0%	27.9%	20.7%
Greece	11,325.9	14.3%	40.2%	26.2%	19.3%
Hungary	9,985.7	14.6%	42.3%	26.4%	16.7%
Ireland	4,480.9	21.8%	43.5%	23.1%	11.6%
Italy	60,626.4	14.0%	38.5%	27.2%	20.3%
Latvia	2,229.6	13.7%	42.6%	26.3%	17.4%
Lithuania	3,244.6	15.0%	42.3%	26.1%	16.5%
Luxembourg	511.8	17.6%	42.3%	26.2%	13.9%
Malta	417.6	15.3%	41.2%	28.0%	15.5%
Netherlands	16,655.8	17.5%	38.8%	28.1%	15.6%
Poland	38,200.0	15.1%	43.8%	27.6%	13.6%
Portugal	10,637.0	15.1%	40.6%	26.1%	18.2%
Romania*	21,462.2	15.2%	45.3%	24.6%	14.9%
Slovakia	5,435.3	15.3%	45.5%	26.8%	12.4%
Slovenia	2,050.2	14.2%	40.7%	28.6%	16.5%
Spain	46,152.9	15.1%	42.6%	25.3%	17.1%
Sweden	9,415.6	16.6%	39.3%	25.6%	18.5%
United Kingdom	62,435.7	17.4%	40.4%	25.5%	16.6%
EU27 Total *	501,125.9	15.6%	40.6%	26.4%	17.4%

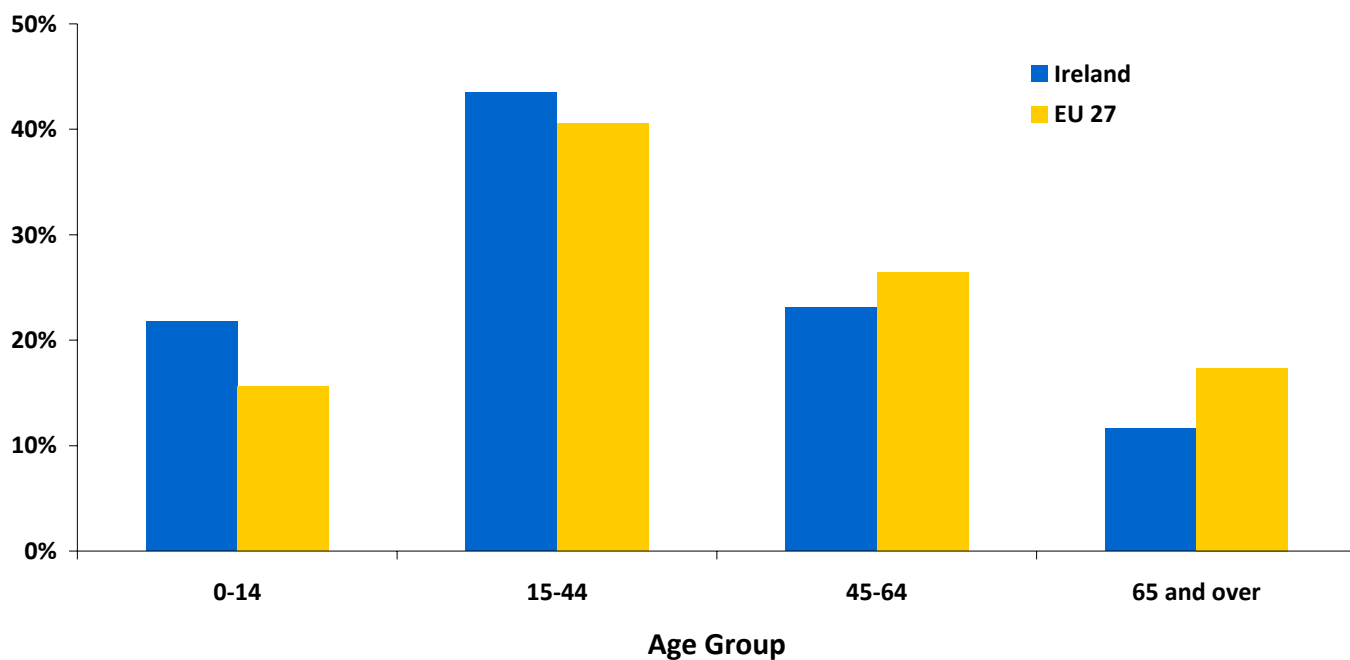
Source: European Social Statistics, Demography, Eurostat 2011

The figures in this table relate to 1 January.

* Refers to 2010

FIGURE A3

PERCENTAGE POPULATION BY AGE GROUP: IRELAND 2011 AND EU 2010



Source: European Social Statistics, Demography, Eurostat 2011

TABLE A5
POPULATION PROJECTIONS ('000s) BY AGE GROUP
IRELAND AND EU27 TOTAL 2010, 2025 and 2040

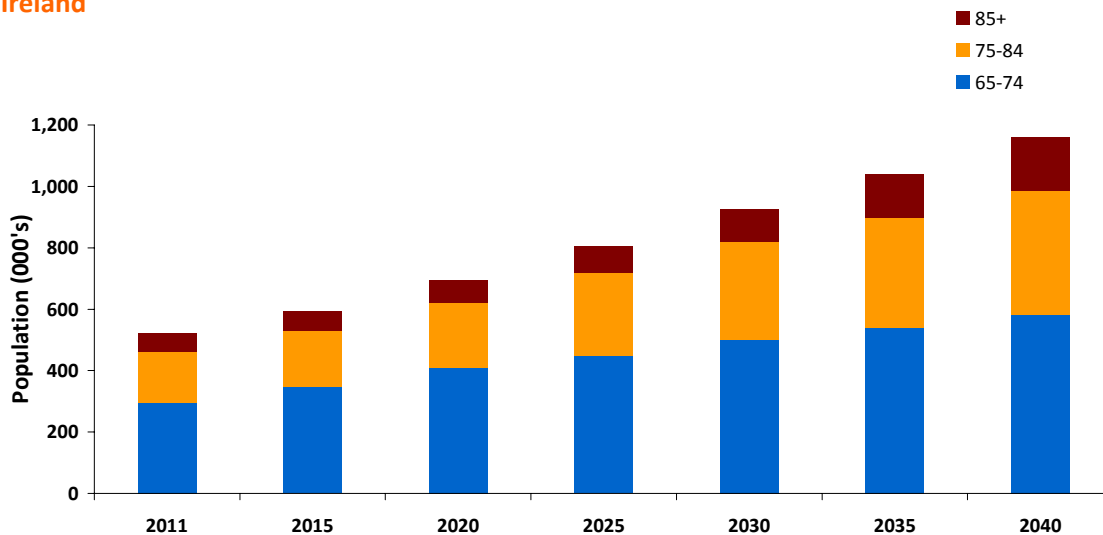
Age Group	2010	2025	2040
0-14			
Ireland	959	1,039	1,084
EU-27	78,272	78,727	74,543
15-64			
Ireland	3,002	3,208	3,512
EU-27	335,759	327,252	310,030
65+			
Ireland	510	805	1,161
EU-27	87,094	113,130	141,129
Total			
Ireland	4,471	5,052	5,758
EU-27	501,126	519,109	525,702

Source: Central Statistics Office (2010 population only), Eurostat - EUROPOP 2010 Convergence Scenario

Notes: (i) Data for 2010 is preliminary.
(ii) Ireland Population projections based on:
Decreasing mortality rates, immigration returning to moderate levels and fertility rate to decrease gradually from present level of 2.07 to 2.02.

Fig A4

Older Age Groups: Population 2011 and Projected Population 2015-2040, Ireland



Source: Eurostat (see notes under Table A5)

TABLE A6
DEPENDENCY RATIO, IRELAND AND EU27
2010, 2025 and 2040

AgeGroup		2010	2025	2040
0-14	Ireland	31.9	32.4	30.9
	EU-27	23.3	24.1	24.0
65+	Ireland	17.0	25.1	33.1
	EU-27	25.9	34.6	45.5
Total	Ireland	48.9	57.5	64.0
	EU-27	49.2	58.7	69.5

Source: Central Statistics Office (2010 population only), Eurostat - EUROPOP 2010 Convergence Scenario

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