

8th Periodic Report under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)

Ireland

Annex

Table 1 Population of Ireland in Census by Age group

	2011			2016			2022		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
All ages	4588252	2272699	2315553	4761865	2354428	2407437	5149139	2544549	2604590
0 - 4 years	356329	182076	174253	331515	169731	161784	295415	151408	144007
5 - 9 years	320770	164037	156733	355561	181470	174091	342670	175470	167200
10 - 14 years	302491	155076	147415	319476	163378	156098	374202	191114	183088
15 - 19 years	283019	144262	138757	302816	154908	147908	337628	172342	165286
20 - 24 years	297231	146636	150595	273636	137584	136052	307143	155446	151697
25 - 29 years	361122	173714	187408	297435	145222	152213	295808	147398	148410
30 - 34 years	393945	194774	199171	361975	173179	188796	332223	160517	171706
35 - 39 years	364261	182237	182024	389421	191045	198376	382869	183212	199657
40 - 44 years	330812	166330	164482	357460	177482	179978	411524	200561	210963
45 - 49 years	305185	151516	153669	326110	162824	163286	373504	185174	188330
50 - 54 years	274386	136737	137649	299935	148212	151723	340003	169993	170010
55 - 59 years	244522	122121	122401	270102	133858	136244	307165	151899	155266
60 - 64 years	218786	109869	108917	238856	118698	120158	272670	134431	138239
65 - 69 years	173638	86298	87340	211236	104961	106275	238144	117382	120762
70 - 74 years	131190	63476	67714	162272	79501	82771	202884	99281	103603
75 - 79 years	102036	46631	55405	115467	54117	61350	154260	73726	80534
80 - 84 years	70113	28423	41690	81037	35196	45841	96586	43588	52998
85 years and over	58416	18486	39930	67555	23062	44493	84441	31607	52834

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/F1002>

Table 2 Citizenship of Population Census 2022

2022	Both sexes	Male	Female
All citizenships	5084879	2515954	2568925
Ireland	4283490	2114068	2169422
Croatia	13649	7479	6170
France	13893	6765	7128
Germany	12390	5298	7092
Italy	18319	9762	8557
Latvia	18300	8067	10233
Lithuania	31177	14398	16779
Poland	93680	46577	47103
Romania	43323	23414	19909
Spain	17953	7656	10297
Ukraine	11791	4630	7161
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the)	83347	44783	38564
European countries excl Ireland	63707	32128	31579
Africa	34761	17978	16783
China	13050	6095	6955
India	45449	24498	20951
Other Asia	41820	20703	21117
Australia	3481	1763	1718
United States of America (the)	13412	5289	8123
Brazil	27338	12847	14491
Other America	12988	5491	7497
Other countries	5423	2908	2515
Multiple/Dual citizenship	12534	6178	6356
No citizenship	8126	3922	4204
Citizenship not stated	161478	83257	78221

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/F7057>

Table 3 Births and Birth Rates of Women in Ireland

	2011	2015	2021
Births	74033	65536	60575
Birth Rate per 1,000 Population	16.2	14	11.9

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/VSA18>

Table 4 Fertility Rates of Women in Ireland

	2011	2015	2021
All ages	2.02	1.86	1.73

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/VSA104>

Table 5 Age of First-Time Mothers in Ireland

	2011	2015	2021
Average Age of First Time Mother	29.8	30.6	31.7
Average Age of First Time Mother within Marriage	32	32.8	33.4
Average Age of First Time Mother outside Marriage	27	28.1	30

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/VSA17>

Table 6 Life Expectancy at Birth in Ireland and the EU27

		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
EU27	Both sexes	80.9	81	81.3	80.4	80.1	80.6
	Male	78.1	78.2	78.5	77.5	77.2	77.9
	Female	83.6	83.7	84	83.2	82.9	83.3
Ireland	Both sexes	82.2	82.2	82.8	82.6	82.4	82.6
	Male	80.4	80.4	80.8	80.8	80.5	80.9
	Female	84	84.1	84.7	84.4	84.3	84.2

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/WMI03>

Table 7 Top Ten Causes of Death in Ireland in 2021

	Both sexes	Male	Female
All causes	34,844	18,296	16,548
C00-D48 Neoplasms	9,871	5,316	4,555
I00-I99 Diseases of the circulatory system	9,301	4,899	4,402
J00-J99 Diseases of the respiratory system	3,202	1,672	1,530
U00 – U49 Provisional assignment of new diseases of uncertain etiology or emergency use	3,180	1,741	1,439
F00-F99 Mental and behavioural disorders	1,899	701	1,198
G00-G99 Diseases of the nervous system	1,711	875	836
V00-Y98 External causes of injury and poisoning	1,584	1,072	512
K00-K93 Diseases of the digestive system	1,312	679	633
E00-E90 Endocrine, nutritional and metabolic diseases	899	477	422
N00-N99 Diseases of genitourinary system	617	301	316

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/VSA29>

Table 8 Total Number Enrolled in Full Time Education in 2022

2022	All levels	Bachelor's or equivalent level
Total	1214534	168146
Males	615872	77697
Females	598662	90449

Source: https://doi.org/10.2908/EDUC_UOE_ENRA01

Table 9 Early Leavers from Education and Training

		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
EU27	Total	11	10.6	10.5	10.5	10.1	10	9.8	9.7	9.5
	Males	12.5	12.1	12.1	12.1	11.8	11.9	11.5	11.2	11.3
	Females	9.4	9.1	8.9	8.7	8.4	8.1	8	8.1	7.7
Ireland	Total	6.8	6	5	5	5.1	5	3.3	3.7	4
	Males	8.6	7.7	6.1	6.1	5.9	5.4	4.4	4.6	5.1
	Females	4.9	4.3	3.9	3.9	4.3	4.7		2.7	2.9

Source: https://doi.org/10.2908/EDAT_LFSE_14

Table 10 Leaving Certificate Subjects Taken in 2023

2023		Physics	Chemistry	Biology
Higher Level	Both sexes	6143	8068	28723
	Male	4349	3241	10596
	Female	1794	4827	18127
Ordinary Level	Both sexes	1383	1682	5879
	Male	1094	773	2679
	Female	289	909	3200

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/WMI09>

Table 11 Number of Students in Higher Education by Field of Study in 2022/23

2022 – 2023 Number of Students in Higher Education	Male	Female	Other gender
Agriculture, forestry fisheries and veterinary	1955	2655	20
Arts and humanities	12785	21130	375
Business administration and law	24910	26905	250
Education	4420	13585	35
Engineering, manufacturing and construction	24240	7840	95
Generic programmes and qualifications	910	1315	25
Health and welfare	10320	33225	175
Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs)	13550	4095	105
Natural sciences, mathematics and statistics	11670	14745	180
Services	5170	3800	10
Social sciences, journalism and information	5405	10750	125
All fields	115340	140045	1395

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/HEA01>

Table 12 Labour Force Participation Rates of Persons Aged 15+ by Marital Status

ILO Participation Rates (%)	2016Q1			2024Q1		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
Single - never married	62.6	64.7	60.4	68	68.9	67
Married	65.4	73.8	56.8	68.2	75.1	61.3
Widowed	14.7	20.2	13	16.1	18.7	15.1
Separated or divorced	58	61.8	55.7	57.9	55.6	59.3
All marital status	61.2	68.1	54.5	65	70.2	60.1

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/QLF28>

Table 13 Female Labour Force Participation Rates by Age and Marital Status in 2024Q1

ILO Participation Rates (%) 2024 Q1	15 - 19 years	20 - 24 years	25 - 34 years	35 - 44 years	45 - 54 years	55 - 59 years	60 - 64 years	65 years and over
Single - never married	30	75.1	86.9	79.1	80	71.6	58.6	12.5
Married	-	-	76.2	84.2	81	69.6	52.2	8.2
Widowed	-	-	-	-	82.4	57.9	56.3	5.4
Separated or divorced	-	-	-	78.3	80.9	69.7	55.3	14.5
All marital status	30	75.1	83.5	82.2	80.8	69.5	53.8	8.1

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/QLF28>

Table 14 Persons aged 15 years and over Principally Engaged in Home Duties

	Both sexes	Male	Female
2016Q1	439.9	10.1	429.9
2017Q1	420.1	10.5	409.7
2018Q1	345.6	21.7	323.9
2019Q1	332.2	22.8	309.3
2020Q1	307.6	20.5	287.1
2021Q1	232.5	17	215.5
2022Q1	212.1	12.2	199.9
2023Q1	214.7	12.6	202.1
2024Q1	180.3	9.8	170.5

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/QLF23>

Table 15 Employment of Females aged 15-64 by Economic Activity in 000s

NACE_R2 (Labels)	2011-Q1	2016-Q1	2024-Q1
Total - all NACE activities	862.7	938.9	1,237.80
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	12.4	12.2	10.3
Mining and quarrying	-	-	-
Manufacturing	65.4	72.1	94.3
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	-	2.9	-
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	-	-	-
Construction	5.5	6	11.1
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	141.4	142.5	157.3
Transportation and storage	15.5	15.5	18
Accommodation and food service activities	58.7	74.4	88.6
Information and communication	26.5	34.4	57.4
Financial and insurance activities	47.1	51.6	63.9
Real estate activities	2.9	4	5.7
Professional, scientific and technical activities	45.4	49.8	86.7
Administrative and support service activities	32.7	35.7	47.9
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	41	42.2	80.7
Education	105	114.5	165.4
Human health and social work activities	195	210.1	268.7
Arts, entertainment and recreation	22.1	25.1	23.5
Other service activities	31.2	33	43.4
Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use	7	8.2	-
No response	2.7	3.3	-

Table 16 Employment of Persons aged 15-64 by Economic activity in 000s in 2024 Q1

NACE_R2 (Labels)	Total	Males	Females
Total - all NACE activities	2,590.70	1,352.90	1,237.80
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	78.8	68.6	10.3
Mining and quarrying	5.1	-	-
Manufacturing	277.8	183.5	94.3
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	20.5	15.8	-
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	13.3	10.6	-
Construction	164.9	153.8	11.1
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	317.1	159.8	157.3
Transportation and storage	104.6	86.6	18
Accommodation and food service activities	170.8	82.2	88.6
Information and communication	173.3	115.9	57.4
Financial and insurance activities	123.4	59.5	63.9
Real estate activities	10.2	-	5.7
Professional, scientific and technical activities	188.7	102	86.7
Administrative and support service activities	107.1	59.3	47.9
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	140.3	59.6	80.7
Education	223.4	58	165.4
Human health and social work activities	342.5	73.9	268.7
Arts, entertainment and recreation	57.7	34.2	23.5
Other service activities	58.5	15	43.4
Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use	-	-	-
Activities of extraterritorial organisations and bodies	-	-	-
No response	8.5	-	-

Source: https://doi.org/10.2908/LFSQ_EGAN2

Table 17 Average Hours Worked per Week for Persons aged 15-89 years in Employment

	2016Q1	2024Q1
Both sexes	35.8	35.4
Male	39.5	38.2
Female	31.8	32.2

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/QLF33>

Table 18 Percentage of Persons aged 15-64 in Part-time Employment

	2011	2016	2023
Total	23.3	21.9	20.3
Males	13	12.8	11.2
Females	34.9	32.4	30.3

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/QLF33>

Table 19 Children in Formal Childcare or Education by Age Group and Duration

2023	Less than 3 years		From 3 years to compulsory school age	
	From 1 to 29 hours	30 hours or over	From 1 to 29 hours	30 hours or over
EU27	14.2	23.3	34.3	54.7
Ireland	10.7	11.4	77	17

Source: https://doi.org/10.2908/ILC_CAINDFORMAL

Table 20 Gender Pay Gap in Ireland and EU27 Countries

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
EU-27	15.1	14.6	14.4	13.7	12.9	12.7	12.7
Ireland	14.2	14.4	11.3	10.8	9.9	11.3	9.3

Source: https://doi.org/10.2908/EARN_GR_GPGR2

Table 21 Provisional Figures for Gender Pay Gap by Age in Ireland in 2022

Less than 25 years	1.2
From 25 to 34 years	5.6
From 35 to 44 years	9.1
From 45 to 54 years	12
From 55 to 64 years	13.9
65 years or over	9.5

Source: https://doi.org/10.2908/EARN_GR_GPGR2AG

Table 22 Pension coverage in the State for Persons in Employment (ILO) aged 20 to 69 years

	Q3 2021	Q3 2022	Q3 2023*
State	66	66	68
Male	67.5	68	68
Female	63.7	65	67
* Includes occupational pensions from current/previous employments and personal pensions, including deferred pensions and pensions in draw-down mode.			

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/PMQ01>

Table 23 Referrals to the Workplace Relations Commission Under the Equal Status Acts 2000-2015

Equal Status Grounds	2021	2022	Difference (%)
Age	54	35	-35%
Civil Status	38	37	-3%
Disability	362	157	-57%
Family Status	44	53	+20%
Gender	71	49	-31%
Membership of the Traveller Community	61	150	+146%
Race	85	133	+56%
Religion	29	25	-14%
Sexual Orientation	8	12	+50%
Accommodation	58	97	+67%
Total	810	748*	-8%
* Note: While 572 referrals were received, 810 grounds were cited as complainants may choose more than one ground when making a specific complaint			

Source:

https://www.workplacerelations.ie/en/publications_forms/corporate_matters/annual_reports_reviews/annual-report-2022.pdf

Table 24 Poverty Rates in Ireland

		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
At Risk of Poverty Rate	Both sexes	16.2	15.7	14	12.8	12.8	11.8	12.5	10.6
	Male	15.9	15	13	12.6	12.4	11.2	12.2	10.8
	Female	16.6	16.4	14.9	12.9	13.3	12.4	12.8	10.4
Enforced Deprivation Rate	Both sexes	21	18.8	15.1	17.8	14.3	13.7	16.6	17.3
	Male	20.2	18.2	14.7	17.4	13.4	12.7	15.2	16
	Female	21.7	19.5	15.6	18.3	15.2	14.6	17.9	18.7
Consistent Poverty Rate	Both sexes	8.2	6.7	5.6	5.5	4.4	4.2	4.9	3.6
	Male	7.6	6.3	5.1	5.4	4.1	3.9	4.6	3.5
	Female	8.7	7.2	6.2	5.6	4.7	4.6	5.1	3.7

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/SIA60> and <https://data.cso.ie/table/SIA12>

Table 25 Expenditure on Social Welfare by Programme

Table A1 – Expenditure on Social Welfare by Programme (€million), 2013-2022

Programme	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Administration - Assistance Schemes	472.37	470.37	490.27	486.39	520.91	541.40	541.14	536.31	544.71	596.09
Administration - Insurance Schemes	94.92	93.22	93.21	95.35	96.77	95.68	98.08	99.15	98.47	100.10
Total Administration	567.29	563.59	583.48	581.74	617.68	637.08	639.22	635.46	643.18	696.19
Pensions - Social Assistance	952.46	954.41	972.21	982.14	994.74	1,020.25	1,042.83	1,048.55	1,083.12	1,136.50
Pensions - Social Insurance	5,498.44	5,641.10	5,907.28	6,108.31	6,391.98	6,737.36	7,172.26	7,431.40	7,847.51	8,300.40
Total Pensions	6,450.89	6,595.51	6,879.48	7,090.45	7,386.72	7,757.61	8,215.09	8,479.95	8,930.63	9,436.90
Working Age Income Supports - Social Assistance	4,395.02	4,053.15	3,670.25	3,190.33	2,845.39	2,610.47	2,426.24	3,794.15	2,354.25	2,526.41
Working Age Income Supports - Social Insurance	1,115.92	887.09	798.29	757.37	752.85	811.70	832.82	4,562.98	4,875.26	1,240.27
Total Working Age Income Supports	5,510.93	4,940.24	4,468.54	3,947.70	3,598.24	3,422.16	3,259.06	8,357.13	7,229.51	3,766.68
Working Age Employment Supports - Social Assistance	985.05	1,025.38	1,052.12	967.71	880.57	789.05	736.35	4,741.61	5,171.57	1,438.75
Working Age Employment Supports - Social Insurance	7.38	9.97	11.31	13.08	16.00	18.42	21.11	24.66	25.14	25.71
Total Working Age Employment Supports	992.43	1,035.35	1,063.43	980.79	896.57	807.47	757.46	4,766.27	5,196.71	1,464.46
Illness, Disability, and Caring - Social Assistance	1,934.76	2,041.23	2,153.13	2,330.71	2,557.11	2,767.30	2,983.23	3,171.48	3,257.60	3,603.18
Illness, Disability, and Caring - Social Insurance	1,470.21	1,394.70	1,393.10	1,368.85	1,405.10	1,450.74	1,463.40	1,540.59	1,534.79	1,695.23
Total Illness, Disability, and Caring	3,404.96	3,435.93	3,546.24	3,699.56	3,962.21	4,218.04	4,446.63	4,712.07	4,792.39	5,298.41
Child Related Payments - Social Assistance	2,251.81	2,264.76	2,458.87	2,605.00	2,627.30	2,633.61	2,633.28	2,608.32	2,557.60	2,830.83
Child Related Payments - Social Insurance	17.30	16.65	17.71	17.89	18.00	20.15	21.27	21.53	23.73	24.15
Total Child Related Payments	2,269.11	2,281.40	2,476.58	2,622.89	2,645.30	2,653.76	2,654.55	2,629.85	2,581.33	2,854.98
Supplementary Payments, Agencies, and Miscellaneous Services - Social Assistance	802.04	720.16	669.85	653.05	608.51	573.65	512.08	563.15	577.64	685.43
Supplementary Payments, Agencies, and Miscellaneous Services - Social Insurance	249.88	213.14	218.25	225.94	227.09	242.72	275.21	304.28	323.17	426.13
Total Supplementary Payments, Agencies, and Miscellaneous Services	1,051.92	933.29	888.09	878.99	835.59	816.37	787.29	867.43	889.74	1,111.56
Total - Social Assistance	11,793.51	11,529.46	11,466.70	11,215.33	11,034.53	10,935.73	10,875.15	16,463.57	15,546.49	12,817.19
Total - Social Insurance	8,454.05	8,255.87	8,439.15	8,586.79	8,907.79	9,376.77	9,884.15	13,984.59	14,728.07	11,811.99
Grand Total	20,247.56	19,785.33	19,905.85	19,802.12	19,942.32	20,312.50	20,759.30	30,448.16	30,274.56	24,629.18

Note: 2022 figures are provisional.

Source: [Statistical Information on Social Welfare Services Annual Report 2017 \(www.gov.ie\)](http://www.gov.ie)

Table 26 Unemployment Rates for Persons aged 15-74

	2016Q1	2024Q1
Both sexes	8.8	4.1
Male	9.8	4
Female	7.5	4.2

Source: <https://data.cso.ie/table/QLF18>