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Religion

Department/Agency

Central Statistics Office (CSO)

Key Information

Religious affiliation classified by sex, age group, marital status, region and other geographic areas, urban/rural, nationality, place of birth, principal economic status, socio economic group, social class, employment status, occupational group, age when fulltime education ceased, level of education attained, and nature of occupancy of dwelling. Information is also provided on carers and voluntary activity.

Information is supplied in the Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS) classified by Census Enumeration Areas, Dáil Constituencies, Electoral Divisions, Gaeltacht Areas, Garda Regions, Divisions and Districts, Health Service Executive Areas, Local Electoral Areas, Towns, Urban and Rural areas of each county.

Links to web pages which contain:

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See "Profile 7 Religion, Ethnicity and Irish Travellers - Ethnic and cultural background in Ireland"
Available in databank and pdf format

> [Census tables and maps by a variety of area definitions](#)

See "Census 2006 Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS)"
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> [Previous releases and historical tables](#)

See "2006 Census Results, 2002 Census Results, Census 1996 Reports and Earlier Censuses"
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Theme

People and Society - Population

Source

Census of Population.

Scope

The census figures relate to the de facto population, i.e. the figures include visitors present on census night as well as those in residence, while usual residents temporarily absent from the area are excluded from the census count.

Frequency

Usually every five years

Reference Period

A night in April of the relevant census year

Start Date

2002

Timeliness

About 19 months after the date of the census

Classification

> Religion (broad) - Roman Catholic; Church of Ireland (incl Protestant); Other Christian religion; Presbyterian; Muslim (Islamic); Orthodox; Methodist; Other stated religions; No religion; Not stated.

- > **Religion (detailed)** - Apostolic or Pentecostal; Baha#i; Baptist; Brethren; Buddhist; Church of Ireland (incl Protestant); Evangelical; Hindu; Jehovah#s Witness; Jewish; Latter Day Saints (Mormon); Lutheran; Methodist; Muslim (Islamic); Orthodox; Other Christian religion; Pantheist; Presbyterian; Quaker; Roman Catholic; Lapsed Roman Catholic; Agnostic; Atheist; Other stated religions; No religion; Not stated.
- > **Religion (historic series)** - Roman Catholic; Church of Ireland (incl Protestant); Presbyterian; Methodist; Jewish; Other stated religions; No religion; Not stated.
- > **Province** - Leinster; Munster; Connacht; Ulster (part).
- > **Region (NUTS3)** - Border; Dublin; Mid-East; Midland; Mid-West; South-East; South-West; West.
- > **County or City** - The 34 administrative counties.
- > **Birthplace** - Ireland; Northern Ireland; England and Wales; Scotland; Poland; Lithuania; Other EU; Other European countries; USA; Africa; Asia; Other countries.
- > **Economic status** - At work (Employer or own account worker; Employee; Assisting relative); Looking for first regular job; Unemployed; Student; Looking after home/family; Retired; Unable to work due to permanent sickness or disability; Other.
- > **Education level** - Primary (incl no formal education); Lower secondary; Upper secondary; Third level non-degree; Third level degree or higher; Not stated.
- > **Occupational group (intermediate)** - Farming, fishing and forestry workers; Electrical trades workers; Engineering and allied trades workers; Textile, clothing and leather workers; Food, drink and tobacco production workers; Chemical, paper, wood, rubber, plastics and printing workers; Other manufacturing workers; Building and construction workers; Managers and executives; Communication, warehouse and transport workers; Clerical and office workers; Sales occupations; Business and commerce occupations; Computer software occupations; Scientific and technical occupations; Health and related workers; Social workers and related occupations; Religious occupations; Other professional workers; Personal service and childcare workers; Teachers; Central and local government workers; Garda Siochána; Army occupations; Other gainful occupations; Looking for first regular job.
- > **Socio-economic group** - Employers and managers; Higher professional; Lower professional; Non-manual; Manual skilled; Semi-skilled; Unskilled; Own account workers; Farmers; Agricultural workers; All others gainfully occupied and unknown.
- > **Social class** - Professional workers; Managerial and technical; Non-manual; Skilled manual; Semi-skilled; Unskilled; All others gainfully occupied and unknown.
- > **Housing occupancy** - Owner occupied with loan or mortgage; Owner occupied without loan or mortgage; Being purchased from a local authority; Rented from a local authority; Rented from a Voluntary Body; Private rented unfurnished; Private rented furnished or part furnished; Occupied free of rent; Not stated.
- > **Voluntary activity** - Helping or voluntary work with a social or charitable organisation; Helping or voluntary work with a religious group or church; Helping or voluntary work with a sporting organisation; Helping or voluntary work with a political or cultural organisation; Any other voluntary activity.

Quality

See below a summary from the statistic's [Report on Methods and Quality](#):

- > **Relevance** -
- > **Accuracy and Reliability** -
- > **Timeliness and Punctuality** -
- > **Coherence and Comparability** -
- > **Accessibility and Clarity** -

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