

**Census of Population 2006  
Sample of Anonymised Records (COPSAR)  
User Guide**

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# 1 Introduction

A Census of Population of Ireland was taken on the night of Sunday, 23 April 2006, in accordance with the Statistics (Census of Population) Order 2005 (S.I. No. 786 of 2005)<sup>1</sup>. An extract from the census questionnaire is reproduced in Appendix 1.

## 1.1 Coverage of the Census

The census figures relate to the *de facto* population, i.e. the population recorded for each area represents the total of all persons present within its boundaries on the night of Sunday, 23 April 2006, together with all persons who arrived in that area on the morning of Monday, 24 April 2006, not having been enumerated elsewhere. Persons on board ships in port are included with the population of adjacent areas. The figures, therefore, 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.

A limited number of questions, relating mainly to demographic characteristics, were asked in respect of usual residents who were temporarily absent from their households on census night. The responses to these questions enables a more precise picture to be built up on families and households by excluding visitors present on census night and including residents who were temporarily absent.

## 1.2 Conduct of the Census

A temporary field force consisting of 6 Census Liaison Officers, 40 Regional Supervisors, 400 Field Supervisors and some 4,400 part-time Enumerators carried out the census enumeration. During the four weeks before Census Day the enumerators entered details in respect of 1.77 million private residences and communal establishments in their enumerator record books. They simultaneously delivered blank census questionnaires to 1.5 million of these dwellings that were expected to be occupied on census night. Approximately 266,000 residences were vacant at the time of the census while in a further 30,000 cases the household was either enumerated elsewhere or temporarily absent from the State. The collection of completed questionnaires took place between Monday 24 April and Monday 22 May 2006.

## 1.3 Production of Results

Each enumerator first prepared and returned to the Central Statistics Office (CSO) a summary of the population in his/her enumeration area. These summaries formed the basis for the preliminary 2006 population results<sup>2</sup>. The completed questionnaires for the individual households were subsequently transmitted to the CSO for processing.

The population summaries, dwelling listings and enumeration maps for individual enumeration areas were checked for consistency and used to determine the boundaries of census towns and suburbs/environs of towns with legal boundaries. The capture and processing of the responses to questions on the census questionnaire proceeded concurrently.

## 1.4 Publication of Results

The Census publication schedule is set out in Appendix 2. The schedule consists of the Principal Demographic Results and Principal Socio-economic Results, which provide the main census results, primarily at national level. More detailed data is provided in 13 subject matter reports. All of the tables published in these reports are available on the Central Statistics Office web site ([http://www.cso.ie/census/POWCAR\\_2006.htm](http://www.cso.ie/census/POWCAR_2006.htm)) using Beyond 20/20 interactive software. This software gives Internet users the ability to select and view data online and then download the same data to their computers.

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<sup>1</sup> The Statistics (Census of Population) Order 2005 was made by the Minister of State at the Department of the Taoiseach in pursuance of powers conferred on him by section 25 (1) of the Statistics Act 1993 (No. 21 of 1993) and the Statistics (Delegation of Ministerial Functions) Order 2004 (S.I. No. 664 of 2004).

<sup>2</sup> Census of Population of Ireland, 2006:  
Preliminary Report (Pn. A6/0988), July 2006.

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## 2 Sample structure and content

The file contains data relating to the *de facto* population. Table 1 below gives details of the variables in the sample and how they are classified. For further details on definitions of the variables, please refer to the published reports from Census 2006 (these are available on the census pages of the Central Statistics Office web site ([www.cso.ie/census.html](http://www.cso.ie/census.html))).

The following variables were excluded:

- Travel to work variables. A separate file relating to place of work and travel to work is being made available. This file is available to bona fide researchers approved by CSO and signed up as officers of statistics for the duration of the research. For more information see WWW.CSO.ie

There is no information on the file which relates persons to households<sup>3</sup>. Separate samples of microdata relating to households are available from the Quarterly National Household Survey.

The information relating to housing characteristics are asked for the entire household, and not for individual persons. The housing variables on the file therefore refer to the dwelling where the person was enumerated, but are not necessarily specific to that person, except in cases of single occupancy dwellings.

**Table 1 List of variables in the Anonymised Persons Microdata File and the classifications used**

<b>Data Set Name:</b>	SAR2006	<b>Observations:</b>	212006
<b>Sorted by:</b>	County	<b>Variables:</b>	38
<b>Label:</b>	Census of Population 2006 - 5% Sample of persons anonymised		

### -----Variables Ordered by Position-----

#	Variable	Type	Length	Classification	Label
<b>1</b>	Planrg	Char	1	PLANRG	Regional Authority area in which enumerated
<b>2</b>	County	Char	2	COUNTY	Administrative County in which enumerated
<b>3</b>	Sex	Char	1	SEX	Sex
<b>4</b>	age5grp	Char	5	AGE5GRP	5 Year Age Group
<b>5</b>	Marital_status	Char	1	MSTATUS	Marital Status
<b>6</b>	Place_of_birth	Char	2	SARGEO	Place of Birth
<b>7</b>	Pobflag	Char	1	POBFLAG	Place of Birth Flag
<b>8</b>	Usres	Char	1	USRES	Usual Residence Now
<b>9</b>	Usresyr	Char	1	USRESYR	Usual Residence 1 year ago
<b>10</b>	Yearres	Char	1	YEARRES	Year taking up residency in Ireland
<b>11</b>	Cntry_prev_res	Char	2	SARGEO	Country of Previous Residence
<b>12</b>	Speak_irish	Char	1	SPEAKIR	Ability to speak Irish
<b>13</b>	Irishfq	Char	1	IRISHFQ	Frequency of Speaking Irish
<b>14</b>	Level_educc	Char	1	LEVELEDU	Highest Level of Education Completed
<b>15</b>	Qual	Char	1	QUAL	Third Level Qualification
<b>16</b>	Edcease	Char	1	EDCEASE	Age Education Ceased
<b>17</b>	Present_status	Char	1	PRES_STA	Present Status
<b>18</b>	Employment_status	Char	1	EMPSTAT	Employment Status
<b>19</b>	ind_cl	Char	1	IND_CL	Industry Class

<sup>3</sup> Social Class and Socio-Economic Group are given for all persons in the sample. For Persons on home duties or at school/college, who are members of a family unit, the Social Class and Socio-Economic Group are assigned on the basis of the person in the family on whom they were deemed to be dependent.

<b>20</b>	Areatype	Char	1	AREATY	Area Type
<b>21</b>	Occgrp	Char	1	OCCGRP	Occupation Group
<b>22</b>	Seg	Char	1	SEG	Socio-Economic Group (SEG)
<b>23</b>	soc_cls_cde	Char	1	SOC_CL	Social Class
<b>24</b>	Nation	Char	1	NATION	Nationality
<b>25</b>	Relig	Char	1	RELIGIO	Religion
<b>26</b>	Disab	Char	1	DISAB	Disability
<b>27</b>	Carer	Char	1	CARER	Unpaid Carer
<b>28</b>	Ethnicity	Char	1	ETHNIC	Ethnicity
<b>29</b>	Volun	Char	1	VOLUN	Voluntary activities
<b>30</b>	hhld_type_p	Char	1	TYP_ACC	Type of Accommodation
<b>31</b>	yr_blt	Char	1	YR_BLT	Year Built
<b>32</b>	nat_occ	Char	1	NAT_OCC	Nature of Occupation
<b>33</b>	Heating	Char	1	HEAT	Central Heating
<b>34</b>	piped_wtr	Char	1	WATER	Water Supply
<b>35</b>	Sewerage_fac	Char	1	SEWER	Sewerage facility
<b>36</b>	cars_or_vans	Char	1	CARS	Number of Cars
<b>37</b>	Internet_acc	Char	1	WEB	Internet Access
<b>38</b>	hhld_pc	Char	1	PC	Personal Computer

## 2.1 Anonymisation and recoding

The records relating to persons within households were anonymised by striping off all identifiable information such as household number, person number within household and by recoding variables where the number of categories could lead to the identification of an individual when combined with other information on the record. In particular the lowest level of geography given is County. Table 2 on the following page gives a list of classifications used in the sample and the level of recoding (if applied).

## 2.2 Sample selection

A 5 per cent random sample of the recoded person records from each county was selected. The records within each county were sorted randomly before output to the sample file.

**Table 2 Classifications used in the sample and level of recoding**

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
<b>AREATY</b>	R	Rural	<b>Area type</b>
	U	Urban	Rural includes towns with a population of less than 1,500 persons. Urban includes towns and cities with a population of 1,500 persons or more.
<b>AGE5GRP</b>	00-04	00-04	<b>5 Year Age Group</b>
	05-09	05-09	
	10-14	10-14	
	15-19	15-19	
	20-24	20-24	
	25-29	25-29	
	30-34	30-34	
	35-39	35-39	
	40-44	40-44	
	45-49	45-49	
	50-54	50-54	
	55-59	55-59	
	60-64	60-64	
	65-69	65-69	
	70-74	70-74	
	75+	75+	
<b>CARER</b>		Not applicable	<b>Unpaid Carers</b>
	1	Unpaid carer	Persons aged 15 years and over were asked whether they provided regular unpaid personal help for a friend or family member with a long-term illness, health problem or disability (including problems due to old age). Personal help includes help with basic tasks such as feeding or dressing. Receipt of "Carers Allowance" was not considered payment for the purposes of this question. "Meals on Wheels" staff were not considered carers for the purpose of this question.
	2	Not a carer (including not stated)	The "Not a carer" category includes not stated.
<b>CARS</b>	1	One	<b>Number of cars</b>
	2	Two	This is the number of cars owned or available for use by one or more members of the household.
	3	Three	
	4	Four or more	
	5	None	
	*	Not stated	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
<b>COUNTY</b>	01	01 Carlow	<b>County</b>
	02	02 Dublin City	This is the county (administrative) where the person was enumerated.
	03	03 South Dublin	
	04	04 Fingal	
	05	05 Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown	The lowest level of geography to which households are coded is street/townland within Electoral Division. However, the most detailed level of geography made available in this sample is administrative county.
	06	06 Kildare	
	07	07 Kilkenny	
	08	08 Laois	
	09	09 Longford	
	10	10 Louth	
	11	11 Meath	
	12	12 Offaly	
	13	13 Westmeath	
	14	14 Wexford	
	15	15 Wicklow	
	16	16 Clare	
	17	17 Cork City	
	18	18 Cork County	
	19	19 Kerry	
	20	20 Limerick City	
	21	21 Limerick County	
	22	22 Tipperary North	
	23	23 Tipperary South	
	24	24 Waterford City	
	25	25 Waterford County	
	26	26 Galway City	
	27	27 Galway County	
	28	28 Leitrim	
	29	29 Mayo	
	30	30 Roscommon	
	31	31 Sligo	
	32	32 Cavan	
	33	33 Donegal	
	34	34 Monaghan	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
<b>DISAB</b>	1	Has a disability	<p><b>Disability</b></p> <p>Data on disability was derived from answers to questions 15 and 16 of the census questionnaire.</p> <p>Question 15 was a five-part question, which asked persons of all ages about the existence of the following long lasting conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Blindness, deafness or a severe vision or hearing impairment</li> <li>(b) A condition that substantially limits one or more basic physical activities such as walking, climbing stairs, reaching, lifting or carrying.</li> <li>(c) A learning or intellectual disability</li> <li>(d) A psychological or emotional condition</li> <li>(e) Other, including any chronic illness</li> </ul> <p>Question 16 was a five-part question that asked, if the person had answered 'yes' to any of the conditions specified in question 15, if they had any difficulty in doing any of the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Learning, remembering or concentrating</li> <li>(b) Dressing, bathing or getting around inside the home</li> <li>(c) Going outside the home alone to shop or visit a doctor's office</li> <li>(d) Working at a job or business. or attending school or college</li> <li>(e) Participating in other activities for example leisure or using transport.</li> </ul> <p>Individuals were classified as having a disability if they ticked "yes" in response to any of the categories in questions 15 or 16.</p>
	2	No disability (including not stated)	
<b>EDCEASE</b>		Not applicable	<p><b>Age full time education ceased</b></p> <p>Collected by single year of age but grouped into 8 categories for the purposes of this sample.</p> <p>Not applicable applies to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006;</li> <li>• persons who answered "No" to question 20 ("Have you ceased your full-time education?").</li> </ul> <p>Not stated applies to persons who answered "Yes" to question 20, but did not write in the age at which their education ceased.</p>
	*	Not stated	
	1	Under 15 years	
	2	15 years	
	3	16 years	
	4	17 years	
	5	18 years	
	6	19 years	
	7	20-21 years	
	8	22 years and over	
	X	Full-time education not ceased	

Classification	Code	Associated label	Applies to Variables/ Notes
<b>EMPSTAT</b>		Not applicable	<b>Employment Status</b>
	1	1 Employee	Not applicable applies to:
	2	2 Self-employed, with paid employees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006;</li> <li>• persons who indicated an economic status other than 'at work', 'unemployed' or 'retired'.</li> </ul>
	3	3 Self-employed, without paid employees	
	4	4 Assisting relative	
<b>ETHNIC</b>	1	Irish or Irish traveller	Ethnicity
	2	Other stated ethnicity	Other stated ethnicity applies to all tick boxes other than Irish or Irish traveller.
	*	Not stated	
<b>HEAT</b>	1	Has central heating	<b>Central Heating</b>
	2	No central heating	Indicates whether the accommodation has or has not central heating.
	*	Not stated	
<b>IND_CL</b>		Not applicable	<b>Industry Class</b>
	1	1 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	Industry is coded to over 200 detailed industry codes on the basis of the name and address of the business/employer and/or the free text description of the nature of business carried on.
	2	2 Manufacturing, mining, quarrying, electricity, gas and water	The detailed industry codes have been grouped into the eight broad groups for the purposes of this sample.
	3	3 Construction	
	4	4 Commerce	
	5	5 Transport, storage and communications	Not applicable applies to:
	6	6 Public administration and defence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006;</li> <li>• persons who indicated an economic status other than 'at work'.</li> </ul>
	7	7 Professional services	
	8	8 Other industries	
	*	Not stated	
<b>IRISHFQ</b>		Not applicable	<b>Frequency of Speaking Irish</b>
	1	1 Daily within only	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
	2	2 Daily within and outside	Not applicable applies to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• persons under 3 years of age on 23 April 2006;</li><li>• persons who indicated they could not speak Irish.</li></ul>
	3	3 Daily outside	
	4	4 Weekly outside	
	5	5 Less often	
	6	6 Never	
	*	Not stated	'Daily within and outside' applies to persons who ticked they spoke Irish within the education system and also ticked at least one of the other frequency options.
<b>LEVELEDU</b>	1	Primary (including no formal education)	<b>Highest Level of Education Completed to date</b>
	2	Lower secondary	13 categories collected and grouped to 5 categories for the purposes of the sample.
	3	Upper secondary	
	4	Third level – non-degree	
	5	Third level – degree or higher	Not applicable applies to persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006.
		Not applicable	
	*	Not stated	
<b>MSTATUS</b>		Not applicable	<b>Marital Status</b>
	1	1 Never married	Married comprises of the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Married (first marriage)</li><li>• Re-married (following widowhood)</li><li>• Re-married (following divorce/annulment).</li></ul>
	2	2 Married	
	3	3 Separated (including divorced)	Separated comprises of the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Separated (including deserted)</li><li>• Divorced.</li></ul>
	4	4 Widowed	
			Not applicable applies to persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006.
<b>NATION</b>	1	1 Irish	<b>Nationality</b>
	2	2 Non-Irish	The Irish category includes Irish-English, Irish-American, Irish-European and Irish-Other.
	*	Not stated	The not stated category includes those with no nationality.
<b>NAT_OCC</b>	1	Purchaser/Owner Occupied	<b>Nature of Occupancy</b>
	2	Rented incl rent free	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
	*	Not stated	<p>Indicates the nature of occupancy of the households accommodation.</p> <p>Purchaser / owner occupied comprises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Owner occupied where loan or mortgage repayments are being made</li> <li>• Owner occupied where no loan or mortgage repayments are being made</li> <li>• Being purchased from a Local Authority under a Tenant Purchase Scheme</li> </ul> <p>Rented incl free rent comprises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rented from a Local Authority</li> <li>• Rented from a Voluntary Body</li> <li>• Rented unfurnished other than from a Local Authority or Voluntary Body</li> <li>• Rented furnished or part furnished other than from a Local Authority or Voluntary Body</li> <li>• Occupied free of rent</li> </ul>
<b>OCCGRP</b>	1	1 Farming, fishing and forestry workers	<b>Occupation Group</b>
	2	2 Manufacturing workers	Persons aged 15 years and over at work, unemployed or retired were asked to give a full description of their current or previously held principal occupation.
	3	3 Building and construction workers	Occupation descriptions were coded to 374 headings of Standard Occupational Classifications. The coded data was grouped to 9 groups.
	4	4 Clerical, managing and government workers	
	5	5 Communication and transport workers	Not applicable applies to:
	6	6 Sales and commerce workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006</li> <li>• persons over 15 and over not 'at work', 'unemployed' or 'retired'.</li> </ul>
	7	7 Professional, technical and health workers, religious occupations	
	8	8 Services workers, Gardai and Army	
	9	9 Other workers	
	*	Not stated	
<b>PC</b>	1	Have a PC	<b>Personal Computer</b>
	2	Don't have a PC	
	*	Not stated	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
<b>PLANRG</b>	1	1 Border	<b>Regional Authority</b> Regional Authority area in which the person was enumerated.
	2	2 Dublin	
	3	3 Mid-East	
	4	4 Midland	
	5	5 Mid-West	
	6	6 South-East	
	7	7 South-West	
	8	8 West	
<b>POBFLAG</b>		Not applicable	<b>Place of Birth Flag</b> Derived by comparing county/country of birth and place of usual residence.
	1	1 County of Usual Residence	
	2	2 Other county	
	3	3 Elsewhere abroad	
	*	Not stated	
<b>PRES_STA</b>	1	1 Working for payment or profit	<b>Present Status</b> Persons were asked to indicate by ticking the appropriate box, the person's present principal status.  Not applicable applies to persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006.
	2	2 Looking for first regular job	
	3	3 Unemployed	
	4	4 Student or pupil	
	5	5 Looking after home/family	
	6	6 Retired from employment	
	7	7 Unable to work due to permanent sickness or disability	
	8	8 Other	
		Not applicable	
<b>QUAL</b>		Not applicable	<b>Third Level Qualifications</b> Persons were asked to indicate if they held any third level qualification(s) which they attained after completing 2 or more years of study and to indicate the main subject area(s) in which the qualification was held.  Not applicable applies to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006;</li> <li>• persons who answered "No" to question 22 ("Do you hold any third level qualification which was attained after completing 2 or</li> </ul>
	1	1 Education	
	2	2 Humanities and Art	
	3	3 Social Sciences/Business/Law	
	4	4 Life Sciences/Physical Sciences/Mathematics/Statistics	
	5	5 Computing	
	6	6 Engineering, Manufacturing and Construction	
	7	7 Agriculture and Veterinary	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
	8	8 Health	more years of study?").
	9	9 Social Services	Not stated applies to persons who answered "Yes" to question 22, but did not indicate the main subject area(s).
	A	10 Services	
	B	11 Multiple subjects	
	*	Not stated	
<b>RELIGIO</b>	1	Roman Catholic	<b>Religion</b>
	2	Church of Ireland (incl. Protestant)	
	3	Other stated religions	
	4	No religion	
	*	Not stated	
<b>SARGEO</b>		Not applicable	<b>Place of Birth (place_of_birth)</b>  Persons are asked to give the place of usual residence of their mother at the time of their birth, not the location of the hospital where the person was born. If the person was born in any part of Ireland (incl. Northern Ireland) they state county of birth. If the person was born outside Ireland, whether now resident in or visiting Ireland they state country of birth. For the purposes of the sample place of birth for those born outside the Republic of Ireland are grouped into 5 headings.
	**	Not stated	
	01	01 Carlow	
	02	02 Dublin	
	06	06 Kildare	
	07	07 Kilkenny	
	08	08 Laoighis	
	09	09 Longford	
	10	10 Louth	
	11	11 Meath	
	12	12 Offaly	
	13	13 Westmeath	
	14	14 Wexford	
	15	15 Wicklow	
	16	16 Clare	
	17	17 Cork	
	19	19 Kerry	
	20	20 Limerick	
	22	22 Tipperary	
	24	24 Waterford	
	26	26 Galway	
	28	28 Leitrim	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
	29	29 Mayo	
	30	30 Roscommon	
	31	31 Sligo	
	32	32 Cavan	
	33	33 Donegal	
	34	34 Monaghan	
	35	35 Rep Ireland (county not stated)	
	36	36 Northern Ireland	
	44	44 England,Scotland,Wales	
	50	50 Other EU15	
	51	51 EU15 - EU25 accession states	
	75	75 USA	
	99	99 Other countries	
<b>SEG</b>	A	A Employers and managers	<b>Socio-Economic Group (SEG)</b>
	B	B Higher professional	The socio-economic group of persons aged 15 years or over who are at work is determined by their occupation and employment status. Unemployed or retired persons aged 15 years or over are classified according to their former occupation and employment status.
	C	C Lower professional	
	D	D Non-manual	
	E	E Manual skilled	
	F	F Semi-skilled	
	G	G Unskilled	
	H	H Own account workers	
	I	I Farmers	
	J	J Agricultural workers	
	Z	Z All others gainfully occupied and unknown	
<b>SEWER</b>	1	Public sewerage scheme	Sewerage facilities
	2	Individual septic tank	Indicates the type of sewerage facilities for the accommodation.
	3	Individual system other than septic tank	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
	4	Other	
	*	Not stated	
<b>SEX</b>	1	Males	<b>Sex</b>
	2	Females	
<b>SOC_CL</b>	1	1 Professional workers	<b>Social Class</b>
	2	2 Managerial and technical	The occupations included in each social class have been selected so as to bring together, as far as possible, people with similar levels of occupational skill. In determining social class no account is taken of the differences between individuals on the basis of other characteristics such as education.
	3	3 Non-manual	Accordingly social class ranks occupations by the level of skill required on a social class scale ranging from 1 (highest) to 7 (lowest). This scale combines occupations into six groups by occupation and employment status following procedures similar to those outlined for the allocation of SEG. A residual category "All others gainfully occupied and unknown" is used where no precise allocation is possible.
	4	4 Skilled manual	
	5	5 Semi-skilled	
	6	6 Unskilled	
	7	7 All others gainfully occupied and unknown	
<b>SPEAKIR</b>		Not applicable	<b>Ability to speak Irish</b>
	1	Yes	Not applicable applies to persons under 3 years of age on 23 April 2006
	2	No	
	*	Not stated	
<b>TYP_ACC</b>	1	Detached house	<b>Type of accommodation</b>
	2	Semi-detached house	Indicates the type of accommodation occupied by the person.
	3	Terraced house	
	4	Flat/apartment in a purpose-built block	
	5	Flat/apartment in a converted house or commercial building	
	6	Bed-sit	
	7	Caravan or mobile/temporary structure	
	*	Not stated	
<b>USRES</b>	1	1 Address where enumerated	<b>Usual Residence Now</b>
	2	2 Elsewhere in Rep of Ireland	
	3	3 Elsewhere in Northern Ireland	
	4	4 Elsewhere abroad	

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
<b>USRESYR</b>		Not applicable	<b>Usual Residence 1 year ago</b>
	1	1 Same as now	
	2	2 Elsewhere in Rep of Ireland	Not applicable applies to persons under 1 year of age on 23 April 2006.
	3	3 Elsewhere in Northern Ireland	
	4	4 Elsewhere abroad	
	*	Not stated	
<b>VOLUN</b>		Not applicable	<b>Voluntary activities</b>
	1	Did voluntary work	The category 'did voluntary work' applies to all persons who ticked yes to any of the five types of voluntary activity.
	*	Did no voluntary work or not stated	Persons who ticked 'no voluntary activity' are included with not stated.
			Not applicable applies to persons under 15 years of age on 23 April 2006
<b>WATER</b>	1	Public Main	<b>Type of piped water supply</b>
	2	Local authority group scheme	Indicates the type of piped water supply in the accommodation.
	3	Private group scheme	
	4	Other private source	
	*	Not stated	
<b>WEB</b>	1	Internet with broadband	<b>Access to the internet</b>
	2	Internet without broadband	Indicates the type, if any, of internet access for the household.
	3	No internet	
	*	Not stated	
<b>YEARRES</b>		Not applicable	<b>Year of taking up residence in Ireland</b>
	1	1 Before 1951	Persons who lived outside the Republic for a period of one year or more were asked to indicate the year of taking up residence in the Republic of Ireland and the Country of last previous residence.
	2	2 1951-1960	
	3	3 1961-1970	
	4	4 1971-1980	
	5	5 1981-1990	
	6	6 1991-2000	
	7	7 2001-2006	
	*	Not stated	The year stated was grouped into 7 separate categories for the purposes of this sample.

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Associated label</b>	<b>Applies to Variables/ Notes</b>
<b>YR_BLT</b>	1	Before 1919	Year accommodation built
	2	1919 - 1940	Indicates the year the house or building containing the accommodation was built.
	3	1941 - 1960	
	4	1961 - 1970	
	5	1971 - 1980	
	6	1981 - 1990	
	7	1991 - 1995	
	8	1996 - 2000	
	9	2001 or later	
	*	Not stated	

## **Appendix 1**

### **2006 Census questionnaire**

The attached extract is taken from the household form used in the 2006 Census. The household form covers 6 persons and consists of 24 pages. The attached extract covers persons 1 and 2 only. The layouts for persons 3 to 6 are identical to that for person 2, apart from the relationship question.

## Appendix 2 - Census 2006 Publication Schedule

Description	Publication Date
Preliminary Report	19 July 2006
<b>Principal Demographic Results</b>	29 March 2007
Volume 1 - Population Classified by Area	26 April 2007
Volume 2 - Ages and Marital Status	10 May 2007
Volume 3 - Household Composition, Family Units and Fertility	31 May 2007
<sup>1</sup> Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS) - demographic variables	21 June 2007
Principal Socio-economic Results	28 June 2007
Volume 4 - Usual Residence, Migration, Birthplaces and Nationalities	12 July 2007
Volume 5 - Ethnic or Cultural Background (including the Irish Traveller Community)	26 July 2007
Volume 6 - Housing	16 August 2007
Volume 7 - Principal Economic Status and Industries	06 September 2007
Volume 8 - Occupations	20 September 2007
Volume 9 - Irish Language	04 October 2007
Volume 10 - Education and Qualifications	18 October 2007
<sup>4</sup> Small Areas Population Statistics (SAPS) - all variables	25 October 2007
<sup>5</sup> Place of Work Census of Anonymised Records(POWCAR)	8 November 2007
<sup>6</sup> Sample of Anonymised Records-Persons(COPSAR)	8 November 2007
Volume 11 - Disability, Carers and Voluntary Activities	01 November 2007
Volume 12 - Travel to Work, School and College	15 November 2007
Volume 13 - Religion	29 November 2007

<sup>4</sup> Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS) have been made available as interactive tables, free of charge on [www.cso.ie/census](http://www.cso.ie/census).

<sup>5</sup> The POWCAR is only available under strict conditions to bone fide researchers who are approved by CSO and signed up as Officers of Statistics for the duration of the research. All material published from the POWCAR must be approved in advance by CSO.

<sup>6</sup> Sample Anonymised Records are available to bone fide researchers through the Irish Social Science Data Archive see <http://www.ucd.ie/issda/>