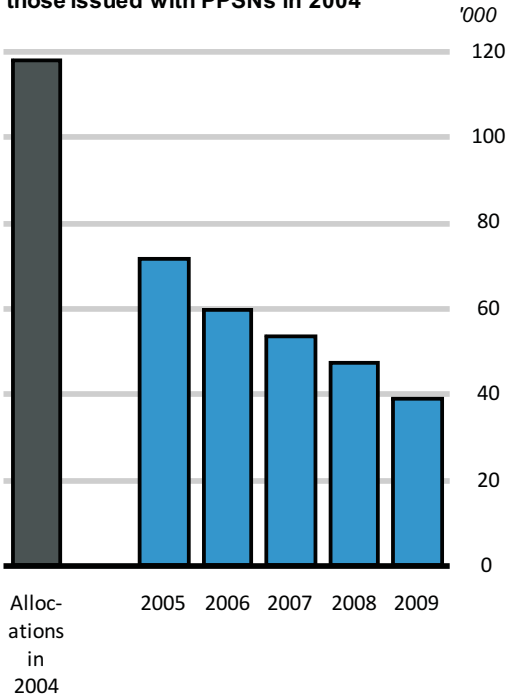




Employment Activity in 2005-2009 of those issued with PPSNs in 2004



Foreign Nationals: PPSN Allocations, Employment and Social Welfare Activity, 2009

Year PPSN allocated	Allocations to foreign nationals aged 15 and over	% with no employment activity 2002-2009	% with employment activity by year					
			2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
2004	118,009	20%	68%	60%	50%	45%	40%	33%
2005	171,538	22%		63%	61%	51%	44%	35%
2006	203,958	26%			59%	59%	46%	35%
2007	188,765	32%				57%	52%	35%
2008	127,689	45%					48%	38%
2009	63,272	67%						33%

One third of foreign nationals assigned PPSNs in 2004 had employment activity in Ireland in 2009

Of the 118,000 foreign nationals aged 15 and over who were assigned PPSNs (personal public service numbers) in 2004, only 33% had employment activity at any time during 2009 (see the table above and the graph across). This emerges from an analysis of records of the Revenue Commissioners, the Department of Social and Family Affairs, and the CSO, based on foreign nationals who were allocated PPSNs during the period 2002-2009.

Note: Unless otherwise indicated, the term "activity" in this release means any PAYE employment or any engagement with the social welfare system.

The analysis also shows that:

- ◆ Employment activity has dropped below 50% for all nationality groups.
- ◆ In 2009, only a third of those arriving had employment during the year.
- ◆ Of the 1,031,400 foreign nationals aged 15 and over who arrived during the period 2002-2009, 349,800 recorded some employment in Ireland during 2009.
- ◆ Over the years, most arrivals were male, but this gap has closed in 2009.
- ◆ PPSN allocations to the Accession 10 countries have dropped to 26,500, 19% of their 2006 peak.

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Activity rate falls below 50%

Activity levels for foreign nationals dropped considerably in 2009, ranging from 42% to 46% depending on year of PPSN allocation. Activity in the year of allocation was strong until 2007 (62%), but dropped to 55% in 2008 and 42% in 2009.

Note: All the tables in this release, as well as detailed employment data, are available in Database Direct at <http://www.cso.ie/px>

The rate of decline varies by nationality. For EU15 nationals (excluding Ireland and the UK), the activity rate fell very sharply: of the 19,400 allocations in 2004, 78% had employment or social welfare activity in 2004, by 2009 this had fallen to 20%. For the EU15 to EU25 states (the ten countries who joined the EU in 2004), the activity rate declined very slowly for the earlier arrivals – the 2005 cohort declined from 72% activity in 2005 to 50% by 2009. For more recent arrivals the drop has been much sharper, 68% of arrivals in 2007 had activity that year, falling to 46% in 2009.

Employment rate in year of arrival down for all nationality groups

The employment rate which had been fairly high in the year of arrival has fallen to 33% in 2009. Table 2b shows the rate of employment activity in the years after arrival. Of the arrivals in 2004, 68% had employment in the year they arrived, by 2009 only 33% of new arrivals recorded some employment.

Combined with falling numbers of allocations, this has resulted in 20,800 new foreign nationals gaining employment in 2009, representing 6% of the total of 349,800 foreign nationals in employment (*see table 4a*).

For the largest nationality group, the EU15 to EU25 states, in addition to lower employment for 2009 arrivals, cohorts from earlier years are showing sharp drops in employment. For the 2004 cohort, 79% had employment in the year of arrival, and this had fallen to 51% by 2008, and 41% by 2009. New arrivals from the Rest of the world group have been particularly hard hit; of 16,900 arrivals only 27% (4,600) found employment. By contrast, the 2006 cohort had 48% employment in the year of arrival, and 38% employment in 2009.

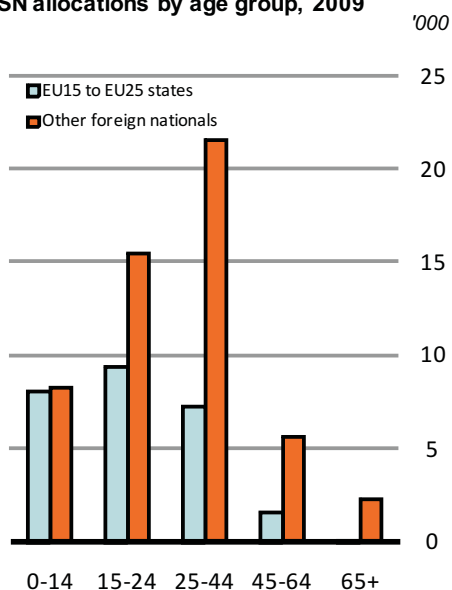
Moderate increase in Social Welfare activity

The drop-off in employment has not resulted in a corresponding increase in Social welfare claims (*see table 3b*). For those allocated a PPSN in 2007, employment activity dropped from 98,400 in 2008 to 66,700 in 2009, while their social welfare activity rose from 29,600 to 37,000 over the same period.

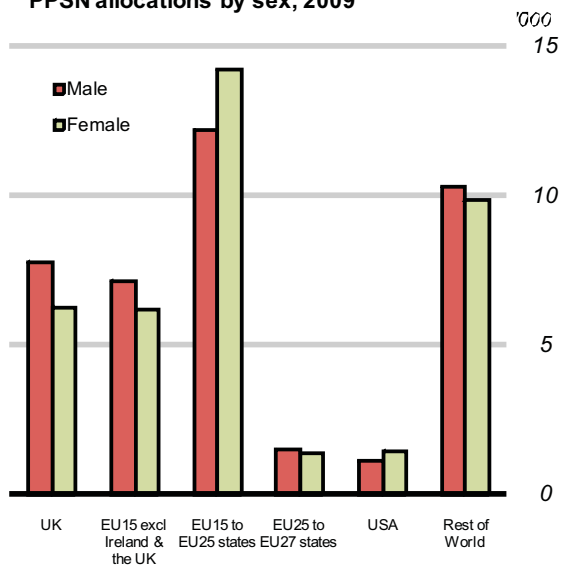
The Accession 10 countries showed the greatest change in social welfare activity over the years. Those arriving in 2004 had 3% activity in that year, rising to 33% in 2009. There are several reasons for this increase; the birth of a child leading to a child benefit claim; jobseekers claims, driven particularly by the sharp rise in unemployment during 2008; and the fact that some benefits depend on habitual residence requirements or on having sufficient social insurance contributions.

The sharp fall in social welfare activity in the EU25 to EU27 states is related to their accession to the EU in January 2007.

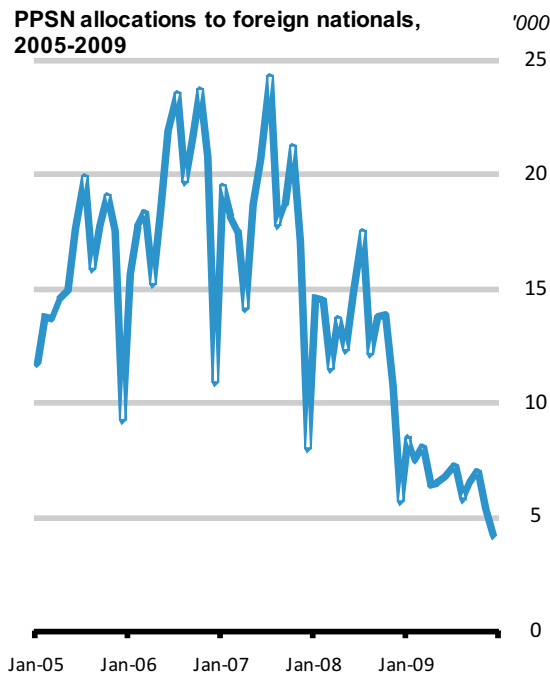
PPSN allocations by age group, 2009



PPSN allocations by sex, 2009



PPSN allocations to foreign nationals, 2005-2009



Employment concentration in economic sectors

A total of 349,800 foreign nationals who were assigned PPSNs during the period 2002-2009 had some employment in Ireland during 2009 (*see table 4a*). Of these, 197,900 were male and 151,900 female. The majority of these were employed in five broad economic activities: Accommodation and Food Service Activities (65,000), Wholesale and retail trade etc (59,700), Administrative and Support Services (46,600), Manufacturing (39,000), and Human Health and Social Work (26,100). Employment in Construction (21,700) continued to fall.

For Information and Communication, the highest level of employment was for the EU15 (excl Ireland and the UK): 4% of all foreign national employment was in this sector, but this was 12% for the EU15 area. A quarter of EU25 to EU27 employment was in Accommodation and food service. The Rest of the world group is still highly represented in the Human health and Social work sector, accounting for 56% of foreign national employment in this sector.

Examining the 2009 data in greater sectoral detail shows high levels of foreign employment in Food and beverage service (41,800), Accommodation (23,200), Retail trade (39,900), Wholesale trade (15,900), Cleaning (14,000). There were also 17,700 foreign nationals classified to Employment activities; most of these worked for temporary employment agencies, and they would for the most part be employed in other sectors of the economy, such as catering or construction.

Sharp drop in PPSN allocations driven by fewer arrivals from the accession states

PPSN allocations to foreign nationals fell to 79,500 in 2009, having fallen by almost two thirds from their peak of 226,800 in 2006 (*see table 5a*). The largest drop was for the Accession 10 states, which fell to just 26,500. They now account for 33% of allocations.

Allocations to people of working age (15-64) fell from 201,800 in 2006 to 63,300 in 2009, but the proportion of allocations to children under 15 doubled: 10.1% of 2006 allocations were to children under 15, and this was 20.5% in 2009.

The gender gap has been narrowing steadily. In 2005, 40% of the allocations were to females; by 2009 this had risen to 49.5%. This is driven by the EU15 to EU25 states, where the proportion of females has now exceeded that of males, standing at 53.8% female to 46.2% male (*see table 6a*).

For the first time since accession in 2004, Poland no longer accounts for the highest number of allocations. The 13,800 to Poland were exceeded by the 14,000 allocations to the UK (*see table 7*). Allocations to Brazil and France, which had remained strong in 2008, dropped by more than half in 2009.

Table 1a - Employment and Social Welfare activity of foreign nationals, by broad nationality group and group and year of entry

Broad nationality group	Year PPSN allocated	Allocations to foreign nationals aged 15 & over	Number with no activity ¹ 2002-2009	Numbers					
				Activity ¹ by year					
				2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
United Kingdom	2004	15,720	5,036	8,746	7,746	6,836	6,554	6,474	6,266
	2005	16,410	5,904	331	8,141	8,165	7,148	6,873	6,599
	2006	17,749	6,628	54	131	8,704	8,865	7,648	7,032
	2007	17,806	6,926	41	55	165	8,778	8,958	7,554
	2008	15,632	6,835	29	40	53	141	7,529	7,280
	2009	11,025	6,411	18	23	36	51	141	4,607
EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	2004	19,369	3,009	15,014	10,037	6,349	5,225	4,503	3,873
	2005	21,237	4,676	141	14,328	11,501	7,494	6,037	4,942
	2006	24,520	6,146	14	70	15,517	13,350	8,585	6,526
	2007	26,250	6,525	8	9	56	17,057	14,490	8,713
	2008	24,353	8,449	0	0	7	52	14,273	10,709
	2009	12,391	6,284	3	3	2	9	31	6,107
EU15 to EU25 states	2004	58,143	4,655	46,430	44,208	39,130	36,229	33,174	30,222
	2005	107,515	14,112	882	77,691	76,633	68,052	60,937	54,211
	2006	127,768	21,331	23	460	87,713	87,729	73,454	63,210
	2007	98,347	21,248	1	17	461	67,224	59,538	45,206
	2008	50,262	17,077	1	7	33	216	30,022	22,917
	2009	18,433	10,657	0	0	0	4	45	7,777
EU25 to EU27 states	2004	598	62	409	402	401	415	411	389
	2005	729	86	18	419	500	502	508	487
	2006	3,407	938	1	6	910	1,782	1,918	1,665
	2007	14,825	6,538	3	6	14	5,627	6,755	5,367
	2008	6,824	3,741	0	0	0	9	2,443	2,312
	2009	2,493	1,847	0	0	0	0	1	646
USA	2004	2,666	1,071	1,281	863	695	654	631	595
	2005	2,794	1,291	37	1,121	890	741	644	584
	2006	2,801	1,275	7	15	1,136	1,024	845	717
	2007	2,831	1,312	3	5	16	1,186	1,063	818
	2008	2,622	1,428	2	4	6	16	961	872
	2009	2,056	1,452	0	1	3	6	12	604
Rest of the world	2004	21,513	2,431	16,020	15,104	13,170	12,505	12,080	11,392
	2005	22,853	3,672	429	14,958	15,213	13,095	12,334	11,475
	2006	27,713	5,024	16	125	16,988	18,725	15,822	14,088
	2007	28,706	6,350	2	6	126	17,755	18,820	14,607
	2008	27,996	9,698	8	14	27	101	15,136	14,799
	2009	16,874	9,985	6	7	16	24	107	6,893
Total foreign nationals	2004	118,009	16,264	87,900	78,360	66,581	61,582	57,273	52,737
	2005	171,538	29,741	1,838	116,658	112,902	97,032	87,333	78,298
	2006	203,958	41,342	115	807	130,968	131,475	108,272	93,238
	2007	188,765	48,899	58	98	838	117,627	109,624	82,265
	2008	127,689	47,228	40	65	126	535	70,364	58,889
	2009	63,272	36,636	27	34	57	94	337	26,634

¹ Activity means any PAYE employment or any engagement with the social welfare system.

Table 1b - Employment and Social Welfare activity of foreign nationals, by broad nationality group and year of entry

Broad nationality group	Year PPSN allocated	Allocations to foreign nationals aged 15 & over	% with no activity ¹ 2002–2009	% with activity ¹ by year					
				2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%
United Kingdom	2004	15,720	32	56	49	43	42	41	40
	2005	16,410	36	2	50	50	44	42	40
	2006	17,749	37	0	1	49	50	43	40
	2007	17,806	39	0	0	1	49	50	42
	2008	15,632	44	0	0	0	0	48	47
	2009	11,025	58	0	0	0	0	1	42
EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	2004	19,369	16	78	52	33	27	23	20
	2005	21,237	22	1	67	54	35	28	23
	2006	24,520	25	0	0	63	54	35	27
	2007	26,250	25	0	0	0	65	55	33
	2008	24,353	35	0	0	0	0	59	44
	2009	12,391	51	0	0	0	0	0	49
EU15 to EU25 states	2004	58,143	8	80	76	67	62	57	52
	2005	107,515	13	1	72	71	63	57	50
	2006	127,768	17	0	0	69	69	57	49
	2007	98,347	22	0	0	0	68	61	46
	2008	50,262	34	0	0	0	0	60	46
	2009	18,433	58	0	0	0	0	0	42
EU25 to EU27 states	2004	598	10	68	67	67	69	69	65
	2005	729	12	2	57	69	69	70	67
	2006	3,407	28	0	0	27	52	56	49
	2007	14,825	44	0	0	0	38	46	36
	2008	6,824	55	0	0	0	0	36	34
	2009	2,493	74	0	0	0	0	0	26
USA	2004	2,666	40	48	32	26	25	24	22
	2005	2,794	46	1	40	32	27	23	21
	2006	2,801	46	0	1	41	37	30	26
	2007	2,831	46	0	0	1	42	38	29
	2008	2,622	54	0	0	0	1	37	33
	2009	2,056	71	0	0	0	0	0	29
Rest of the world	2004	21,513	11	74	70	61	58	56	53
	2005	22,853	16	2	65	67	57	54	50
	2006	27,713	18	0	0	61	68	57	51
	2007	28,706	22	0	0	0	62	66	51
	2008	27,996	35	0	0	0	0	54	53
	2009	16,874	59	0	0	0	0	1	41
Total foreign nationals	2004	118,009	14	74	66	56	52	49	45
	2005	171,538	17	1	68	66	57	51	46
	2006	203,958	20	0	0	64	64	53	46
	2007	188,765	26	0	0	0	62	58	44
	2008	127,689	37	0	0	0	0	55	46
	2009	63,272	58	0	0	0	0	1	42

¹ Activity means any PAYE employment or any engagement with the social welfare system.

Table 2a - Employment activity of foreign nationals, by broad nationality group and year of entry

Numbers

Broad nationality group	Year PPSN allocated	Allocations to foreign nationals aged 15 & over	Number with no employment activity 2002–2009	Employment activity by year					
				2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
United Kingdom	2004	15,720	7,434	6,537	5,673	4,679	4,327	3,987	3,412
	2005	16,410	8,278	229	5,975	6,111	5,109	4,565	3,896
	2006	17,749	9,171	14	48	6,476	6,788	5,281	4,303
	2007	17,806	9,626	0	2	58	6,576	6,549	4,827
	2008	15,632	9,814	0	0	2	41	4,972	4,620
	2009	11,025	8,401	0	0	0	0	43	2,620
EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	2004	19,369	3,681	14,290	9,578	5,848	4,648	3,808	3,016
	2005	21,237	5,195	123	13,803	11,083	7,031	5,444	4,144
	2006	24,520	6,795	9	54	14,915	12,846	7,928	5,610
	2007	26,250	7,182	0	0	35	16,480	13,946	7,892
	2008	24,353	9,232	0	0	1	29	13,624	10,068
	2009	12,391	6,805	0	0	0	0	16	5,586
EU15 to EU25 states	2004	58,143	5,180	45,796	43,435	37,868	34,067	29,407	23,629
	2005	107,515	15,732	854	76,024	74,332	64,746	54,573	42,624
	2006	127,768	24,691	19	401	84,283	83,479	66,359	49,575
	2007	98,347	24,726	0	8	236	64,204	55,374	37,682
	2008	50,262	19,194	0	5	8	126	28,291	20,287
	2009	18,433	11,487	0	0	0	0	28	6,944
EU25 to EU27 states	2004	598	152	308	309	299	328	307	266
	2005	729	256	5	224	344	367	355	282
	2006	3,407	1,180	0	1	755	1,594	1,700	1,345
	2007	14,825	7,164	0	1	5	5,275	6,207	4,513
	2008	6,824	4,040	0	0	0	7	2,256	2,001
	2009	2,493	1,954	0	0	0	0	0	539
USA	2004	2,666	1,318	1,092	643	452	386	341	287
	2005	2,794	1,496	30	966	708	544	407	325
	2006	2,801	1,495	1	5	991	839	633	460
	2007	2,831	1,531	0	1	9	1,034	853	579
	2008	2,622	1,635	0	0	0	7	818	681
	2009	2,056	1,566	0	0	0	0	3	490
Rest of the world	2004	21,513	5,376	12,388	11,727	10,223	9,817	9,261	8,250
	2005	22,853	7,221	288	11,190	11,864	10,225	9,393	8,169
	2006	27,713	9,055	10	59	13,183	15,343	12,606	10,584
	2007	28,706	10,344	0	2	54	14,299	15,464	11,217
	2008	27,996	13,661	1	2	2	18	11,774	11,313
	2009	16,874	12,292	0	1	1	1	22	4,580
Total foreign nationals	2004	118,009	23,141	80,411	71,365	59,369	53,573	47,111	38,860
	2005	171,538	38,178	1,529	108,182	104,442	88,022	74,737	59,440
	2006	203,958	52,387	53	568	120,603	120,889	94,507	71,877
	2007	188,765	60,573	0	14	397	107,868	98,393	66,710
	2008	127,689	57,576	1	7	13	228	61,735	48,970
	2009	63,272	42,505	0	1	1	1	112	20,759

Table 2b - Employment activity of foreign nationals, by broad nationality group and year of entry

Broad nationality group	Year PPSN allocated	Allocations to foreign nationals aged 15 & over	% with no employment activity 2002–2009	% with employment activity by year					
				2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%
United Kingdom	2004	15,720	47	42	36	30	28	25	22
	2005	16,410	50	1	36	37	31	28	24
	2006	17,749	52	0	0	36	38	30	24
	2007	17,806	54	0	0	0	37	37	27
	2008	15,632	63	0	0	0	0	32	30
	2009	11,025	76	0	0	0	0	0	24
EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	2004	19,369	19	74	49	30	24	20	16
	2005	21,237	24	1	65	52	33	26	20
	2006	24,520	28	0	0	61	52	32	23
	2007	26,250	27	0	0	0	63	53	30
	2008	24,353	38	0	0	0	0	56	41
	2009	12,391	55	0	0	0	0	0	45
EU15 to EU25 states	2004	58,143	9	79	75	65	59	51	41
	2005	107,515	15	1	71	69	60	51	40
	2006	127,768	19	0	0	66	65	52	39
	2007	98,347	25	0	0	0	65	56	38
	2008	50,262	38	0	0	0	0	56	40
	2009	18,433	62	0	0	0	0	0	38
EU25 to EU27 states	2004	598	25	52	52	50	55	51	44
	2005	729	35	1	31	47	50	49	39
	2006	3,407	35	0	0	22	47	50	39
	2007	14,825	48	0	0	0	36	42	30
	2008	6,824	59	0	0	0	0	33	29
	2009	2,493	78	0	0	0	0	0	22
USA	2004	2,666	49	41	24	17	14	13	11
	2005	2,794	54	1	35	25	19	15	12
	2006	2,801	53	0	0	35	30	23	16
	2007	2,831	54	0	0	0	37	30	20
	2008	2,622	62	0	0	0	0	31	26
	2009	2,056	76	0	0	0	0	0	24
Rest of the world	2004	21,513	25	58	55	48	46	43	38
	2005	22,853	32	1	49	52	45	41	36
	2006	27,713	33	0	0	48	55	45	38
	2007	28,706	36	0	0	0	50	54	39
	2008	27,996	49	0	0	0	0	42	40
	2009	16,874	73	0	0	0	0	0	27
Total foreign nationals	2004	118,009	20	68	60	50	45	40	33
	2005	171,538	22	1	63	61	51	44	35
	2006	203,958	26	0	0	59	59	46	35
	2007	188,765	32	0	0	0	57	52	35
	2008	127,689	45	0	0	0	0	48	38
	2009	63,272	67	0	0	0	0	0	33

Table 3a - Social Welfare activity of foreign nationals, by broad nationality group and year of entry
Numbers

Broad nationality group	Year PPSN allocated	Allocations to foreign nationals aged 15 & over	Number with no S/W activity 2002–2009	Social Welfare activity by year					
				2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
United Kingdom	2004	15,720	9,278	3,287	3,544	3,585	3,860	4,219	4,531
	2005	16,410	10,221	106	3,040	3,488	3,591	4,117	4,399
	2006	17,749	11,683	44	86	3,096	3,661	4,152	4,424
	2007	17,806	12,107	41	53	108	3,183	4,102	4,406
	2008	15,632	11,170	29	40	52	101	3,233	3,748
	2009	11,025	8,715	18	23	36	51	98	2,306
EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	2004	19,369	15,275	1,791	1,344	1,358	1,521	1,701	1,846
	2005	21,237	17,554	18	1,126	1,372	1,522	1,796	1,922
	2006	24,520	20,657	7	17	1,225	1,650	2,091	2,310
	2007	26,250	22,819	8	9	21	1,195	1,923	2,273
	2008	24,353	22,095	0	0	6	23	1,230	1,676
	2009	12,391	11,653	3	3	2	9	15	738
EU15 to EU25 states	2004	58,143	32,771	1,873	4,889	9,204	12,950	17,238	19,188
	2005	107,515	64,877	28	4,208	13,228	20,542	29,825	33,742
	2006	127,768	82,295	4	59	9,673	20,252	32,421	38,464
	2007	98,347	72,247	1	9	225	7,727	17,234	23,069
	2008	50,262	42,214	1	2	25	90	4,143	7,483
	2009	18,433	17,036	0	0	0	4	17	1,399
EU25 to EU27 states	2004	598	288	120	134	155	196	221	247
	2005	729	315	13	213	220	236	294	336
	2006	3,407	2,657	1	5	180	334	459	632
	2007	14,825	13,024	3	5	9	556	1,136	1,592
	2008	6,824	6,320	0	0	0	2	243	468
	2009	2,493	2,372	0	0	0	0	1	121
USA	2004	2,666	2,173	227	302	328	354	376	413
	2005	2,794	2,331	7	199	263	305	359	380
	2006	2,801	2,340	6	10	177	273	326	372
	2007	2,831	2,425	3	4	7	192	312	347
	2008	2,622	2,319	2	4	6	9	178	265
	2009	2,056	1,920	0	1	3	6	9	136
Rest of the world	2004	21,513	13,457	4,026	4,546	4,817	5,149	5,665	6,137
	2005	22,853	14,453	143	4,201	4,995	5,221	5,808	6,289
	2006	27,713	19,219	6	66	4,360	5,192	5,892	6,484
	2007	28,706	22,000	2	4	72	3,882	4,851	5,376
	2008	27,996	22,767	8	12	25	83	3,808	4,501
	2009	16,874	14,437	6	6	15	23	86	2,443
Total foreign nationals	2004	118,009	73,242	11,324	14,759	19,447	24,030	29,420	32,362
	2005	171,538	109,751	315	12,987	23,566	31,417	42,199	47,068
	2006	203,958	138,851	68	243	18,711	31,362	45,341	52,686
	2007	188,765	144,622	58	84	442	16,735	29,558	37,063
	2008	127,689	106,885	40	58	114	308	12,835	18,141
	2009	63,272	56,133	27	33	56	93	226	7,143

Table 3b - Social Welfare activity of foreign nationals, by broad nationality group and year of entry

Broad nationality group	Year PPSN allocated	Allocations to foreign nationals aged 15 & over	% with no S/W activity 2002–2009	% with Social Welfare activity by year					
				2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
			%	%	%	%	%	%	%
United Kingdom	2004	15,720	59	21	23	23	25	27	29
	2005	16,410	62	1	19	21	22	25	27
	2006	17,749	66	0	0	17	21	23	25
	2007	17,806	68	0	0	0	18	23	25
	2008	15,632	71	0	0	0	0	21	24
	2009	11,025	79	0	0	0	0	0	21
EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	2004	19,369	79	9	7	7	8	9	10
	2005	21,237	83	0	5	6	7	8	9
	2006	24,520	84	0	0	5	7	9	9
	2007	26,250	87	0	0	0	5	7	9
	2008	24,353	91	0	0	0	0	5	7
	2009	12,391	94	0	0	0	0	0	6
EU15 to EU25 states	2004	58,143	56	3	8	16	22	30	33
	2005	107,515	60	0	4	12	19	28	31
	2006	127,768	64	0	0	8	16	25	30
	2007	98,347	73	0	0	0	8	18	23
	2008	50,262	84	0	0	0	0	8	15
	2009	18,433	92	0	0	0	0	0	8
EU25 to EU27 states	2004	598	48	20	22	26	33	37	41
	2005	729	43	2	29	30	32	40	46
	2006	3,407	78	0	0	5	10	13	19
	2007	14,825	88	0	0	0	4	8	11
	2008	6,824	93	0	0	0	0	4	7
	2009	2,493	95	0	0	0	0	0	5
USA	2004	2,666	82	9	11	12	13	14	15
	2005	2,794	83	0	7	9	11	13	14
	2006	2,801	84	0	0	6	10	12	13
	2007	2,831	86	0	0	0	7	11	12
	2008	2,622	88	0	0	0	0	7	10
	2009	2,056	93	0	0	0	0	0	7
Rest of the world	2004	21,513	63	19	21	22	24	26	29
	2005	22,853	63	1	18	22	23	25	28
	2006	27,713	69	0	0	16	19	21	23
	2007	28,706	77	0	0	0	14	17	19
	2008	27,996	81	0	0	0	0	14	16
	2009	16,874	86	0	0	0	0	1	14
Total foreign nationals	2004	118,009	62	10	13	16	20	25	27
	2005	171,538	64	0	8	14	18	25	27
	2006	203,958	68	0	0	9	15	22	26
	2007	188,765	77	0	0	0	9	16	20
	2008	127,689	84	0	0	0	0	10	14
	2009	63,272	89	0	0	0	0	0	11

Table 4a - Foreign Nationals: Employment sector by broad nationality group, 2009¹

NACE Rev2 Section	Broad nationality group						Total foreign nationals
	United Kingdom	EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	EU15 to EU25 states	EU25 to EU27 states	USA	Rest of the world	
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	195	197	4,921	258	7	574	6,152
B Mining and quarrying	63	23	522	7	3	85	703
C Manufacturing	2,311	2,768	29,009	616	228	4,097	39,029
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	75	44	70	7	4	56	256
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	98	52	2,002	146	1	134	2,433
F Construction	1,763	1,887	14,484	1,791	39	1,708	21,672
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	5,277	4,427	36,851	1,210	373	11,599	59,737
H Transportation and storage	1,518	2,330	8,704	298	41	1,345	14,236
I Accommodation and food service activities	2,500	6,299	35,776	2,670	350	17,428	65,023
J Information and communication	1,951	4,907	2,791	149	349	2,950	13,097
K Financial and insurance activities excluding activities of holding companies	2,034	2,819	2,919	72	259	1,385	9,488
L Real estate activities	405	407	4,416	92	17	837	6,174
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	2,325	2,142	4,837	221	323	3,074	12,922
N Administrative and support service activities	2,413	6,867	25,686	1,801	257	9,551	46,575
O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	1,321	359	485	32	106	2,138	4,441
P Education	1,412	1,704	1,479	144	399	1,965	7,103
Q Human health and social work activities	3,355	1,657	5,769	364	404	14,578	26,127
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	900	508	2,155	175	73	1,193	5,004
S Other service activities	544	304	3,536	414	67	1,226	6,091
T Activities of households as employers	13	12	118	3	0	127	273
Unknown	407	855	1,170	83	42	749	3,306
Total	30,880	40,568	187,700	10,553	3,342	76,799	349,842

¹ This table relates to those assigned PPSNs during the period 2002 to 2009 inclusive, and employed during 2009.

Table 4b - Foreign Nationals: Employment sector by broad nationality group, 2009 (column percentages)¹

NACE Rev2 Section	Broad nationality group						Total foreign nationals
	United Kingdom	EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	EU15 to EU25 states	EU25 to EU27 states	USA	Rest of the world	
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	0.6	0.5	2.6	2.4	0.2	0.7	1.8
B Mining and quarrying	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
C Manufacturing	7.5	6.8	15.5	5.8	6.8	5.3	11.2
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	0.3	0.1	1.1	1.4	0.0	0.2	0.7
F Construction	5.7	4.7	7.7	17.0	1.2	2.2	6.2
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	17.1	10.9	19.6	11.5	11.2	15.1	17.1
H Transportation and storage	4.9	5.7	4.6	2.8	1.2	1.8	4.1
I Accommodation and food service activities	8.1	15.5	19.1	25.3	10.5	22.7	18.6
J Information and communication	6.3	12.1	1.5	1.4	10.4	3.8	3.7
K Financial and insurance activities excluding activities of holding companies	6.6	6.9	1.6	0.7	7.7	1.8	2.7
L Real estate activities	1.3	1.0	2.4	0.9	0.5	1.1	1.8
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	7.5	5.3	2.6	2.1	9.7	4.0	3.7
N Administrative and support service activities	7.8	16.9	13.7	17.1	7.7	12.4	13.3
O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	4.3	0.9	0.3	0.3	3.2	2.8	1.3
P Education	4.6	4.2	0.8	1.4	11.9	2.6	2.0
Q Human health and social work activities	10.9	4.1	3.1	3.4	12.1	19.0	7.5
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	2.9	1.3	1.1	1.7	2.2	1.6	1.4
S Other service activities	1.8	0.7	1.9	3.9	2.0	1.6	1.7
T Activities of households as employers	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1
Unknown	1.3	2.1	0.6	0.8	1.3	1.0	0.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

¹ This table relates to those assigned PPSNs during the period 2002 to 2009 inclusive, and employed during 2009.

Table 4c - Foreign Nationals: Employment sector by broad nationality group, 2009 (row percentages)¹

NACE Rev2 Section	Broad nationality group						Total foreign nationals
	United Kingdom	EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	EU15 to EU25 states	EU25 to EU27 states	USA	Rest of the world	
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	3.2	3.2	80.0	4.2	0.1	9.3	100
B Mining and quarrying	9.0	3.3	74.3	1.0	0.4	12.1	100
C Manufacturing	5.9	7.1	74.3	1.6	0.6	10.5	100
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	29.3	17.2	27.3	2.7	1.6	21.9	100
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	4.0	2.1	82.3	6.0	0.0	5.5	100
F Construction	8.1	8.7	66.8	8.3	0.2	7.9	100
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	8.8	7.4	61.7	2.0	0.6	19.4	100
H Transportation and storage	10.7	16.4	61.1	2.1	0.3	9.4	100
I Accommodation and food service activities	3.8	9.7	55.0	4.1	0.5	26.8	100
J Information and communication	14.9	37.5	21.3	1.1	2.7	22.5	100
K Financial and insurance activities excluding activities of holding companies	21.4	29.7	30.8	0.8	2.7	14.6	100
L Real estate activities	6.6	6.6	71.5	1.5	0.3	13.6	100
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	18.0	16.6	37.4	1.7	2.5	23.8	100
N Administrative and support service activities	5.2	14.7	55.1	3.9	0.6	20.5	100
O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	29.7	8.1	10.9	0.7	2.4	48.1	100
P Education	19.9	24.0	20.8	2.0	5.6	27.7	100
Q Human health and social work activities	12.8	6.3	22.1	1.4	1.5	55.8	100
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	18.0	10.2	43.1	3.5	1.5	23.8	100
S Other service activities	8.9	5.0	58.1	6.8	1.1	20.1	100
T Activities of households as employers	4.8	4.4	43.2	1.1	0.0	46.5	100
Unknown	12.3	25.9	35.4	2.5	1.3	22.7	100
Total	8.8	11.6	53.7	3.0	1.0	22.0	100

¹ This table relates to those assigned PPSNs during the period 2002 to 2009 inclusive, and employed during 2009.

Table 5a - PPSN allocations by age group and broad nationality group, 2006-2009

Numbers

Year PPSN allocated	Age at allocation	UK	EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	EU15 to EU25 states	EU25 to EU27 states	USA	Rest of world	Total foreign nationals
2006	0-14	4,549	1,069	11,126	185	1,265	4,669	22,863
	15-24	3,838	11,378	58,834	1,275	815	9,764	85,904
	25-44	8,258	11,770	59,750	1,931	1,115	16,427	99,251
	45-64	4,215	1,170	9,098	199	625	1,371	16,678
	65+	1,438	202	86	2	246	151	2,125
	Total	22,298	25,589	138,894	3,592	4,066	32,382	226,821
2007	0-14	4,294	1,185	14,962	671	1,008	4,383	26,503
	15-24	3,790	12,646	47,430	4,822	838	10,888	80,414
	25-44	8,156	12,293	43,755	8,749	1,160	16,249	90,362
	45-64	4,437	1,126	7,039	1,227	567	1,401	15,797
	65+	1,423	185	123	27	266	168	2,192
	Total	22,100	27,435	113,309	15,496	3,839	33,089	215,268
2008	0-14	4,205	1,421	15,470	697	881	4,449	27,123
	15-24	3,470	11,466	26,221	2,716	722	10,475	55,070
	25-44	6,734	11,476	20,295	3,575	1,099	15,630	58,809
	45-64	4,010	1,255	3,646	511	544	1,474	11,440
	65+	1,418	156	100	22	257	417	2,370
	Total	19,837	25,774	65,732	7,521	3,503	32,445	154,812
2009	0-14	3,034	997	8,042	403	508	3,287	16,271
	15-24	2,216	5,230	9,417	1,063	523	6,367	24,816
	25-44	4,412	6,118	7,297	1,201	745	9,084	28,857
	45-64	3,059	878	1,634	207	496	969	7,243
	65+	1,338	165	85	22	292	454	2,356
	Total	14,059	13,388	26,475	2,896	2,564	20,161	79,543

Table 5b - PPSN allocations by age group and broad nationality group, 2006-2009

%

Year PPSN allocated	Age at allocation	UK	EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	EU15 to EU25 states	EU25 to EU27 states	USA	Rest of world	Total foreign nationals
2006	0-14	20.4	4.2	8.0	5.2	31.1	14.4	10.1
	15-24	17.2	44.5	42.4	35.5	20.0	30.2	37.9
	25-44	37.0	46.0	43.0	53.8	27.4	50.7	43.8
	45-64	18.9	4.6	6.6	5.5	15.4	4.2	7.4
	65+	6.4	0.8	0.1	0.1	6.1	0.5	0.9
	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
2007	0-14	19.4	4.3	13.2	4.3	26.3	13.2	12.3
	15-24	17.1	46.1	41.9	31.1	21.8	32.9	37.4
	25-44	36.9	44.8	38.6	56.5	30.2	49.1	42.0
	45-64	20.1	4.1	6.2	7.9	14.8	4.2	7.3
	65+	6.4	0.7	0.1	0.2	6.9	0.5	1.0
	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
2008	0-14	21.2	5.5	23.5	9.3	25.1	13.7	17.5
	15-24	17.5	44.5	39.9	36.1	20.6	32.3	35.6
	25-44	33.9	44.5	30.9	47.5	31.4	48.2	38.0
	45-64	20.2	4.9	5.5	6.8	15.5	4.5	7.4
	65+	7.1	0.6	0.2	0.3	7.3	1.3	1.5
	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
2009	0-14	21.6	7.4	30.4	13.9	19.8	16.3	20.5
	15-24	15.8	39.1	35.6	36.7	20.4	31.6	31.2
	25-44	31.4	45.7	27.6	41.5	29.1	45.1	36.3
	45-64	21.8	6.6	6.2	7.1	19.3	4.8	9.1
	65+	9.5	1.2	0.3	0.8	11.4	2.3	3.0
	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Table 6a - PPSN allocations by sex and broad nationality group, 2006-2009

Numbers

Year PPSN allocated	Sex	UK	EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	EU15 to EU25 states	EU25 to EU27 states	USA	Rest of world	Total foreign nationals
2006	Total	22,298	25,589	138,894	3,592	4,066	32,382	226,821
	Male	12,625	13,980	83,763	2,425	1,896	18,090	132,779
	Female	9,673	11,609	55,131	1,167	2,170	14,292	94,042
2007	Total	22,100	27,435	113,309	15,496	3,839	33,089	215,268
	Male	12,236	14,823	63,144	10,292	1,806	17,786	120,087
	Female	9,864	12,612	50,165	5,204	2,033	15,303	95,181
2008	Total	19,837	25,774	65,732	7,521	3,503	32,445	154,812
	Male	10,997	14,012	33,384	4,238	1,634	17,041	81,306
	Female	8,840	11,762	32,348	3,283	1,869	15,404	73,506
2009	Total	14,059	13,388	26,475	2,896	2,564	20,161	79,543
	Male	7,798	7,154	12,232	1,529	1,113	10,311	40,137
	Female	6,261	6,234	14,243	1,367	1,451	9,850	39,406

Table 6b - PPSN allocations by sex and broad nationality group, 2006-2009

%

Year PPSN allocated	Sex	UK	EU15 excl Ireland & the UK	EU15 to EU25 states	EU25 to EU27 states	USA	Rest of world	Total foreign nationals
2006	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	Male	56.6	54.6	60.3	67.5	46.6	55.9	58.5
	Female	43.4	45.4	39.7	32.5	53.4	44.1	41.5
2007	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	Male	55.4	54.0	55.7	66.4	47.0	53.8	55.8
	Female	44.6	46.0	44.3	33.6	53.0	46.2	44.2
2008	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	Male	55.4	54.4	50.8	56.3	46.6	52.5	52.5
	Female	44.6	45.6	49.2	43.7	53.4	47.5	47.5
2009	Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	Male	55.5	53.4	46.2	52.8	43.4	51.1	50.5
	Female	44.5	46.6	53.8	47.2	56.6	48.9	49.5

Table 7 - PPSN allocations 2003-2009 by nationality¹

Numbers

Nationality	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
UK	18,560	18,494	20,653	22,298	22,100	19,837	14,059
Poland	3,824	27,292	64,621	93,615	79,672	42,475	13,765
Latvia	1,250	6,304	9,313	7,949	4,666	3,718	3,911
Lithuania	2,409	12,822	18,698	16,022	10,706	6,420	3,760
France	4,333	4,676	4,961	6,877	7,676	7,066	3,106
Brazil	719	855	2,200	3,427	4,788	5,614	2,734
Romania	1,403	594	810	3,326	14,490	6,750	2,620
Spain	4,914	4,455	4,660	4,430	4,688	4,614	2,590
USA	3,020	3,199	3,807	4,066	3,839	3,503	2,564
India	1,421	1,882	3,399	5,550	4,776	4,328	2,245
Italy	2,766	2,942	3,696	4,236	4,708	4,430	2,237
Germany	2,888	3,160	3,841	4,604	4,544	3,828	2,098
Hungary	184	1,837	3,084	4,322	5,049	4,560	1,793
Slovakia	293	5,188	9,364	10,847	8,472	4,987	1,787
China	3,761	3,465	1,751	1,409	1,515	1,682	1,272
Portugal	728	684	790	936	1,514	2,133	1,124
Australia	2,420	1,713	2,125	2,102	1,971	1,858	1,017
Czech Republic	827	3,323	4,496	4,459	3,832	2,761	901
Nigeria	3,809	1,966	2,143	1,601	1,603	1,549	896
Mauritus	125	158	467	1,934	1,987	1,431	887
Pakistan	1,352	1,113	1,021	1,417	1,435	909	867
Canada	754	863	963	1,154	1,066	1,215	844
Philippines	2,086	1,231	1,500	1,875	1,621	1,436	696
South Africa	1,880	1,007	1,052	1,120	1,040	1,100	672
Netherlands	759	935	975	1,111	1,055	903	647
Sweden	1,017	943	1,103	1,107	931	754	482
All other countries	15,403	13,698	13,900	15,027	15,524	14,951	9,969
Total	82,905	124,799	185,393	226,821	215,268	154,812	79,543

¹ Sorted in order of allocations in 2009**Table 8 - PPSN allocations to foreign nationals classified by month of assignment**

	Year PPSN allocated						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
January	7,219	6,321	11,740	15,582	19,484	14,571	8,440
February	6,448	6,495	13,785	17,667	18,168	14,515	7,451
March	7,226	7,152	13,676	18,277	17,513	11,435	8,041
April	6,305	6,743	14,528	15,155	14,121	13,678	6,387
May	6,662	12,343	14,815	18,293	18,612	12,301	6,504
June	6,686	12,971	17,613	21,862	20,612	14,746	6,754
July	7,933	14,627	19,907	23,546	24,260	17,504	7,231
August	6,053	11,142	15,844	19,598	17,753	12,110	5,771
September	7,616	13,332	17,705	21,540	18,609	13,747	6,486
October	8,221	13,690	19,073	23,698	21,165	13,832	6,994
November	7,570	13,064	17,493	20,723	17,008	10,711	5,308
December	4,966	6,919	9,214	10,880	7,963	5,662	4,176
Total	82,905	124,799	185,393	226,821	215,268	154,812	79,543

Background Notes

Data sources This analysis is based on three data sources:

- The Central Records System of the Department of Social and Family Affairs
- The P35 files (employer end-of-year returns) of the Revenue Commissioners
- The Central Business Register of the Central Statistics Office.

The variables used were the date the PPSN was assigned, the nationality at that time, the age at that time, sex, and the NACE category of economic activity.

For some persons, activity is recorded before the year the PPSN was issued. These numbers, which are relatively small, have been blanked in the headline table for clarity but are included in the detailed tables.

Some pensioners are included in the P35 data, but their numbers are small. Also, self-employed persons are excluded from the data for 2005 to 2007 if they had no P35 self-employed income and if they had no other work as an employee. The number of foreign nationals so excluded is estimated at 3,000 in 2005 and 5,000 in 2006.

Nationality groups The category EU15 excl Ireland & the UK consists of Germany, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Denmark, Greece, Spain, Portugal, Austria, Finland and Sweden.

The category EU15 to EU25 states consists of the states that joined the EU on 1 May 2004: the Czech Republic, Cyprus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia.

The category EU25 to EU27 states consist of Romania and Bulgaria, who joined the EU on 1 January 2007.

Definitions **Employment Activity:** Employment activity for the purposes of this release includes any person appearing on the Revenue P35 files, or in the employment file within the Central Records System of the Department of Social and Family Affairs. The level of activity can vary from having worked one day in the year to working full-time throughout the year. Therefore the figures could include seasonal workers that arrive for the summer months and return to their country of origin at the end of the summer.

Social Welfare Activity: Social Welfare activity for the purposes of this release includes any person appearing in the claims files within the Central Records System of the Department of Social and Family Affairs. This includes one off claims, such as dental and optical benefits, and ongoing claims, such as jobseeker's benefit or assistance, pensions and illness payments.

NACE Rev 2: Employment is classified using NACE Rev 2. Where people had two or more employments during a year, they were allocated to the NACE category with the largest number of weeks of employment.

Arrivals: In this release, arrivals to Ireland in a particular year represent the number of PPS numbers allocated to foreign nationals in that year.

Background to the study The results presented in this release are based on a data-matching exercise undertaken by the CSO, for statistical purposes, of administrative data from of the Department of Social and Family Affairs and the Revenue Commissioners. This study was undertaken in line with the Statistics Act, 1993, and the CSO Data Protocol governing data matching exercises undertaken by the CSO (available at <http://www.cso.ie/releasespublications/CSODataProtocol.htm>).