



**Table 1 Estimated Population classified by Sex and Age Group, 1999 - 2004**

Sex and Age Group	Persons in April of each year					
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003 <sup>1</sup>	2004 <sup>1</sup>
000						
Persons						
0 - 4 years	259.8	266.2	273.2	277.6	284.8	291.1
5 - 9 "	270.6	266.7	263.7	264.1	268.1	274.6
10 - 14 "	300.2	295.1	290.6	285.7	280.9	277.5
15 - 19 "	338.5	329.4	320.4	313.2	306.8	300.8
20 - 24 "	303.9	311.9	317.6	328.3	336.0	338.7
25 - 29 "	279.7	289.4	300.8	312.7	318.9	329.4
30 - 34 "	271.9	277.5	288.6	304.7	313.4	320.8
35 - 39 "	273.5	280.2	285.1	290.9	294.1	299.9
40 - 44 "	255.7	260.5	267.6	272.0	278.1	283.7
45 - 49 "	234.6	239.1	243.9	249.6	253.2	258.3
50 - 54 "	217.5	225.0	228.2	230.8	234.8	237.5
55 - 59 "	168.2	174.3	185.8	197.3	206.7	214.5
60 - 64 "	145.5	149.7	151.7	154.3	160.4	166.1
65 - 69 "	128.8	129.3	130.8	133.5	135.3	137.9
70 - 74 "	111.1	111.3	111.8	112.1	113.7	115.3
75 - 79 "	89.1	88.9	89.2	89.8	89.6	90.2
80 - 84 "	54.6	55.8	57.6	58.9	61.5	62.7
85 years and over	38.3	39.4	40.4	41.7	42.8	44.8
Total	3,741.6	3,789.5	3,847.2	3,917.2	3,978.9	4,043.8
Males						
0 - 4 years	134.0	137.2	140.4	142.0	145.6	148.8
5 - 9 "	138.7	136.6	135.5	135.9	137.7	141.2
10 - 14 "	154.1	151.3	149.0	146.1	144.2	142.4
15 - 19 "	173.8	168.9	164.3	160.4	157.0	154.1
20 - 24 "	153.6	157.4	160.5	165.3	168.5	170.3
25 - 29 "	140.5	146.0	151.2	156.1	159.6	165.0
30 - 34 "	133.9	137.5	144.2	152.4	157.2	160.3
35 - 39 "	135.2	138.2	141.2	144.5	146.3	150.5
40 - 44 "	127.5	129.7	133.0	135.3	138.2	140.8
45 - 49 "	117.6	119.8	122.4	125.0	126.5	128.8
50 - 54 "	110.4	114.1	115.5	116.6	118.2	119.6
55 - 59 "	85.2	88.2	94.0	99.8	104.9	108.7
60 - 64 "	72.5	74.8	75.9	77.6	80.6	83.6
65 - 69 "	63.0	63.3	64.0	65.3	66.1	67.4
70 - 74 "	49.7	50.3	51.1	51.7	53.1	54.4
75 - 79 "	37.0	36.9	37.1	37.4	37.4	38.0
80 - 84 "	20.4	21.0	21.7	22.3	23.3	23.7
85 years and over	11.5	11.8	12.2	12.5	13.0	13.7
Total	1,858.6	1,882.9	1,913.1	1,946.2	1,977.2	2,011.2
Females						
0 - 4 years	125.8	128.9	132.8	135.6	139.2	142.3
5 - 9 "	131.9	130.1	128.2	128.2	130.3	133.4
10 - 14 "	146.2	143.8	141.6	139.6	136.8	135.0
15 - 19 "	164.7	160.5	156.2	152.8	149.8	146.7
20 - 24 "	150.3	154.5	157.1	163.0	167.5	168.5
25 - 29 "	139.3	143.3	149.6	156.6	159.3	164.3
30 - 34 "	138.0	140.0	144.4	152.3	156.2	160.5
35 - 39 "	138.3	142.0	143.9	146.4	147.8	149.4
40 - 44 "	128.2	130.8	134.6	136.7	139.9	142.9
45 - 49 "	117.1	119.3	121.5	124.6	126.7	129.5
50 - 54 "	107.1	110.8	112.7	114.3	116.6	117.9
55 - 59 "	83.0	86.1	91.8	97.5	101.8	105.8
60 - 64 "	73.0	74.9	75.8	76.7	79.8	82.5
65 - 69 "	65.9	66.0	66.8	68.2	69.2	70.5
70 - 74 "	61.4	61.0	60.8	60.4	60.5	60.9
75 - 79 "	52.1	52.0	52.1	52.4	52.3	52.2
80 - 84 "	34.2	34.8	35.9	36.6	38.2	39.0
85 years and over	26.8	27.6	28.2	29.2	29.8	31.1
Total	1,883.0	1,906.6	1,934.1	1,971.0	2,001.7	2,032.6

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary

**Table 2 Estimated Population classified by Sex, Age Group and Marital Status, April 2004<sup>1</sup>**

Sex and Age Group	Total	Single	Married	Separated <sup>2</sup>	Widowed
000					
<b>Persons</b>					
0 - 14 years	843.2	843.2	–	–	–
15 - 19 "	300.8	299.8	0.9	–	0.1
20 - 24 "	338.7	331.9	6.5	0.4	–
25 - 29 "	329.4	265.0	62.8	1.5	0.1
30 - 34 "	320.8	148.1	165.4	6.7	0.6
35 - 39 "	299.9	70.0	215.8	12.8	1.3
40 - 44 "	283.7	43.4	219.0	18.4	2.8
45 - 49 "	258.3	32.1	204.1	17.7	4.4
50 - 54 "	237.5	28.1	184.6	18.2	6.6
55 - 59 "	214.5	22.8	167.9	12.6	11.1
60 - 64 "	166.1	18.9	123.2	7.3	16.7
65 years and over	450.8	65.3	229.9	7.7	147.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,043.8</b>	<b>2,168.5</b>	<b>1,580.1</b>	<b>103.5</b>	<b>191.7</b>
<b>Males</b>					
0 - 14 years	432.5	432.5	–	–	–
15 - 19 "	154.1	153.6	0.3	–	0.1
20 - 24 "	170.3	168.7	1.6	0.1	–
25 - 29 "	165.0	141.4	23.2	0.4	–
30 - 34 "	160.3	82.3	76.2	1.6	0.2
35 - 39 "	150.5	40.9	105.4	3.6	0.6
40 - 44 "	140.8	24.2	110.4	5.5	0.6
45 - 49 "	128.8	18.6	102.3	6.7	1.2
50 - 54 "	119.6	16.6	94.1	7.1	1.7
55 - 59 "	108.7	14.4	86.2	5.0	3.1
60 - 64 "	83.6	12.2	64.7	3.1	3.5
65 years and over	197.1	33.5	130.7	4.0	28.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,011.2</b>	<b>1,138.9</b>	<b>795.1</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>40.0</b>
<b>Females</b>					
0 - 14 years	410.7	410.7	–	–	–
15 - 19 "	146.7	146.1	0.6	–	–
20 - 24 "	168.5	163.3	4.9	0.3	–
25 - 29 "	164.3	123.6	39.6	1.1	0.1
30 - 34 "	160.5	65.8	89.2	5.1	0.5
35 - 39 "	149.4	29.1	110.4	9.2	0.8
40 - 44 "	142.9	19.2	108.6	12.9	2.2
45 - 49 "	129.5	13.4	101.8	11.1	3.1
50 - 54 "	117.9	11.5	90.4	11.2	4.9
55 - 59 "	105.8	8.4	81.7	7.7	8.1
60 - 64 "	82.5	6.7	58.5	4.2	13.2
65 years and over	253.7	31.8	99.2	3.7	119.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,032.6</b>	<b>1,029.6</b>	<b>785.0</b>	<b>66.3</b>	<b>151.7</b>

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary<sup>2</sup> Including divorced

**Table 3 Estimated Population classified by Sex, Age Group and Regional Authority Area, April 2004<sup>1</sup>**

Sex and Age Group	State	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South-East	South-West	West
000									
<b>Persons</b>									
0 - 4 years	291.1	32.3	78.9	36.6	18.8	24.7	32.4	40.9	26.5
5 - 9 "	274.6	32.5	69.2	33.1	17.9	23.8	31.4	40.3	26.4
10 - 14 "	277.5	33.2	69.4	31.8	17.6	24.0	32.4	40.8	28.2
15 - 19 "	300.8	36.3	77.4	32.9	18.8	26.5	34.1	43.8	30.9
20 - 24 "	338.7	33.2	113.4	33.5	17.4	28.7	32.5	47.8	32.4
25 - 29 "	329.4	31.1	117.4	34.1	16.9	25.6	30.7	45.4	28.2
30 - 34 "	320.8	32.4	102.2	38.0	17.7	25.0	32.6	45.1	27.9
35 - 39 "	299.9	32.2	84.6	36.3	17.7	24.7	32.9	43.8	27.7
40 - 44 "	283.7	31.0	77.8	33.1	16.7	23.9	31.6	42.5	27.0
45 - 49 "	258.3	28.4	69.4	28.8	15.3	22.5	28.6	39.1	26.2
50 - 54 "	237.5	26.7	64.1	25.2	13.8	21.2	26.1	36.3	24.1
55 - 59 "	214.5	24.5	57.0	22.1	12.1	19.3	24.0	33.5	21.9
60 - 64 "	166.1	19.1	45.1	15.9	9.2	14.8	19.3	25.9	16.7
65 - 69 "	137.9	16.0	37.6	11.7	7.9	12.4	16.2	21.8	14.2
70 - 74 "	115.3	13.7	30.9	8.8	6.9	10.3	13.4	18.7	12.6
75 - 79 "	90.2	11.3	23.6	6.9	5.7	8.1	10.2	14.3	10.1
80 - 84 "	62.7	8.2	15.4	4.9	3.8	5.7	7.3	10.0	7.4
85 years and over	44.8	6.1	10.8	3.6	2.6	4.1	4.7	7.0	5.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,043.8</b>	<b>448.1</b>	<b>1,144.4</b>	<b>437.3</b>	<b>236.8</b>	<b>345.4</b>	<b>440.4</b>	<b>597.1</b>	<b>394.3</b>
<b>Males</b>									
0 - 4 years	148.8	16.6	40.3	18.7	9.5	12.6	16.6	21.1	13.5
5 - 9 "	141.2	16.7	35.7	17.1	9.3	12.3	16.2	20.4	13.5
10 - 14 "	142.4	17.1	35.6	16.6	9.2	12.3	16.5	20.9	14.3
15 - 19 "	154.1	18.7	39.3	16.8	9.8	13.7	17.6	22.3	15.9
20 - 24 "	170.3	17.2	55.4	16.9	9.0	14.8	16.8	23.9	16.4
25 - 29 "	165.0	15.6	58.0	17.0	8.7	13.0	15.6	23.1	14.0
30 - 34 "	160.3	16.2	51.1	19.0	9.0	12.6	16.1	22.7	13.6
35 - 39 "	150.5	16.3	42.0	18.4	9.0	12.5	16.5	21.9	13.8
40 - 44 "	140.8	15.5	37.4	16.5	8.5	12.2	15.8	21.3	13.4
45 - 49 "	128.8	14.4	33.3	14.3	8.0	11.4	14.4	19.8	13.3
50 - 54 "	119.6	13.6	30.9	12.8	7.1	10.9	13.5	18.5	12.3
55 - 59 "	108.7	12.7	27.6	11.4	6.2	9.8	12.2	17.1	11.6
60 - 64 "	83.6	9.9	21.7	8.1	4.7	7.5	9.9	13.0	8.7
65 - 69 "	67.4	8.1	17.3	5.9	3.9	6.2	8.0	10.7	7.4
70 - 74 "	54.4	6.7	13.6	4.1	3.4	4.9	6.5	8.9	6.2
75 - 79 "	38.0	4.9	9.3	2.9	2.5	3.5	4.5	6.0	4.4
80 - 84 "	23.7	3.2	5.2	1.9	1.5	2.2	2.9	3.8	3.0
85 years and over	13.7	2.0	2.8	1.1	0.9	1.3	1.5	2.1	2.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,011.2</b>	<b>225.4</b>	<b>556.5</b>	<b>219.5</b>	<b>120.2</b>	<b>173.5</b>	<b>221.1</b>	<b>297.5</b>	<b>197.4</b>
<b>Females</b>									
0 - 4 years	142.3	15.7	38.6	17.9	9.2	12.2	15.8	19.8	13.0
5 - 9 "	133.4	15.8	33.5	16.0	8.7	11.5	15.2	19.9	12.8
10 - 14 "	135.0	16.1	33.9	15.3	8.4	11.8	15.9	19.9	13.8
15 - 19 "	146.7	17.6	38.1	16.1	9.0	12.8	16.5	21.5	15.0
20 - 24 "	168.5	16.0	58.0	16.6	8.4	13.9	15.6	23.9	15.9
25 - 29 "	164.3	15.5	59.4	17.1	8.2	12.7	15.1	22.2	14.2
30 - 34 "	160.5	16.1	51.0	19.0	8.7	12.5	16.5	22.4	14.3
35 - 39 "	149.4	15.9	42.6	18.0	8.6	12.2	16.4	21.8	13.9
40 - 44 "	142.9	15.5	40.3	16.6	8.1	11.8	15.8	21.2	13.6
45 - 49 "	129.5	14.0	36.1	14.4	7.3	11.1	14.2	19.4	13.0
50 - 54 "	117.9	13.1	33.2	12.3	6.7	10.4	12.6	17.8	11.8
55 - 59 "	105.8	11.8	29.4	10.7	5.9	9.5	11.8	16.4	10.3
60 - 64 "	82.5	9.2	23.4	7.8	4.5	7.3	9.4	12.9	8.0
65 - 69 "	70.5	7.9	20.3	5.8	4.0	6.2	8.2	11.1	6.9
70 - 74 "	60.9	7.0	17.3	4.7	3.5	5.4	6.9	9.8	6.4
75 - 79 "	52.2	6.4	14.3	4.0	3.2	4.6	5.7	8.3	5.7
80 - 84 "	39.0	5.0	10.2	3.1	2.2	3.5	4.4	6.3	4.4
85 years and over	31.1	4.1	8.0	2.5	1.7	2.8	3.1	4.8	3.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,032.6</b>	<b>222.7</b>	<b>587.8</b>	<b>217.8</b>	<b>116.6</b>	<b>171.9</b>	<b>219.3</b>	<b>299.5</b>	<b>196.9</b>

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary

**Table 4 Estimated Population aged 15 years and over classified by Sex, Regional Authority Area and Marital Status, April 2004<sup>1</sup>**

Sex and Region	Total	Single	Married	Separated <sup>2</sup>	Widowed
000					
<b>Persons</b>					
State	3,200.6	1,325.3	1,580.1	103.5	191.7
Border	350.1	136.3	179.2	10.3	24.3
Dublin	926.9	431.2	414.1	32.6	49.0
Mid-East	335.9	128.0	179.8	10.7	17.3
Midland	182.5	71.2	95.0	5.4	10.8
Mid-West	272.9	109.5	136.0	8.7	18.7
South-East	344.2	131.0	177.6	12.5	23.1
South-West	475.0	192.8	239.5	15.0	27.7
West	313.3	125.4	158.9	8.2	20.8
<b>Males</b>					
State	1,578.7	706.5	795.1	37.1	40.0
Border	175.1	76.1	90.0	3.8	5.1
Dublin	445.0	215.7	209.3	10.0	10.0
Mid-East	167.1	67.2	91.2	4.5	4.2
Midland	92.2	40.0	47.8	2.2	2.2
Mid-West	136.3	59.9	69.1	3.2	4.1
South-East	171.8	73.0	89.0	4.7	5.1
South-West	235.1	103.8	120.0	5.6	5.8
West	156.0	70.8	78.8	3.1	3.4
<b>Females</b>					
State	1,621.9	618.9	785.0	66.3	151.7
Border	175.1	60.1	89.2	6.5	19.2
Dublin	481.9	215.5	204.8	22.6	39.0
Mid-East	168.7	60.8	88.6	6.2	13.1
Midland	90.3	31.3	47.2	3.2	8.6
Mid-West	136.5	49.6	66.9	5.5	14.6
South-East	172.3	58.0	88.6	7.7	18.0
South-West	239.9	89.0	119.6	9.5	21.9
West	157.2	54.7	80.1	5.1	17.3

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary

<sup>2</sup> Including divorced

**Table 5 Estimated Migration classified by Sex and Country of Destination/Origin, 1999 - 2004**

Sex / Year ending April	Emigrants					Immigrants					Net migration
	UK	Rest of EU <sup>2</sup>	USA	Rest of world	Total	UK	Rest of EU <sup>2</sup>	USA	Rest of world	Total	
000											
<b>Persons</b>											
1999	11.2	5.5	5.3	9.5	31.5	22.3	10.2	5.9	10.5	48.9	17.3
2000	7.2	5.5	4.0	10.0	26.6	20.8	11.7	5.5	14.5	52.6	26.0
2001	7.8	5.6	3.4	9.5	26.2	20.6	10.3	6.7	21.5	59.0	32.8
2002	7.4	4.8	4.8	8.5	25.6	19.1	11.3	6.6	29.9	66.9	41.3
2003 <sup>1</sup>	6.3	4.3	2.5	7.6	20.7	13.5	9.7	4.7	22.5	50.5	29.8
2004 <sup>1</sup>	4.9	3.4	2.8	7.4	18.5	13.0	12.6	4.8	19.7	50.1	31.6
<b>Males</b>											
1999	5.2	2.2	2.9	5.1	15.5	11.8	4.6	2.8	5.3	24.5	9.0
2000	3.4	2.4	2.1	5.2	13.1	10.4	4.9	2.8	8.1	26.2	13.1
2001	3.4	2.0	2.0	5.2	12.6	10.2	5.0	2.7	12.2	30.1	17.5
2002	3.5	2.1	2.8	4.2	12.7	9.3	4.6	2.9	14.4	31.3	18.6
2003 <sup>1</sup>	3.3	1.8	1.5	4.5	11.1	7.6	5.0	2.4	10.9	25.9	14.8
2004 <sup>1</sup>	2.0	1.5	1.6	4.0	9.2	6.7	6.3	2.6	10.5	26.1	17.0
<b>Females</b>											
1999	6.0	3.2	2.4	4.4	16.1	10.5	5.7	3.0	5.2	24.4	8.3
2000	3.7	3.1	1.9	4.8	13.5	10.5	6.8	2.7	6.4	26.4	12.9
2001	4.4	3.6	1.5	4.3	13.6	10.4	5.4	4.0	9.3	29.0	15.3
2002	3.9	2.7	2.0	4.3	12.9	9.8	6.7	3.7	15.5	35.6	22.7
2003 <sup>1</sup>	3.0	2.5	1.0	3.1	9.6	6.0	4.7	2.3	11.7	24.6	15.0
2004 <sup>1</sup>	2.8	1.9	1.2	3.4	9.4	6.3	6.3	2.2	9.2	24.0	14.6

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary

<sup>2</sup> EU 15

**Table 6 Estimated Migration classified by Sex and Age Group, 1999 - 2004**

Sex / Year ending April	Emigrants						Immigrants						Net migration
	0 - 14	15 - 24	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Total	0 - 14	15 - 24	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Total	
000													
Persons													
1999	0.0	23.1	7.6	0.3	0.6	31.5	7.0	15.3	21.5	4.1	0.9	48.9	17.3
2000	0.0	21.4	4.6	0.1	0.6	26.6	7.1	16.8	23.4	4.0	1.2	52.6	26.0
2001	0.0	21.2	4.4	0.0	0.7	26.2	7.9	16.4	29.5	4.3	0.8	59.0	32.8
2002	2.5	18.7	3.1	0.1	1.2	25.6	7.0	19.8	35.2	4.2	0.8	66.9	41.3
2003 <sup>1</sup>	0.8	12.1	7.0	0.6	0.3	20.7	6.2	16.8	22.3	3.9	1.2	50.5	29.8
2004 <sup>1</sup>	0.4	9.9	7.2	0.7	0.2	18.5	5.2	15.9	24.8	3.6	0.6	50.1	31.6
Males													
1999	0.0	10.4	4.6	0.0	0.4	15.5	3.6	6.1	11.7	2.5	0.6	24.5	9.0
2000	0.0	10.2	2.6	0.0	0.3	13.1	3.6	6.8	12.7	2.6	0.6	26.2	13.1
2001	0.0	9.9	2.4	0.0	0.4	12.6	4.1	6.6	16.3	2.5	0.5	30.1	17.5
2002	1.2	9.0	1.7	0.0	0.8	12.7	3.2	8.0	17.5	2.3	0.3	31.3	18.6
2003 <sup>1</sup>	0.3	6.4	3.9	0.3	0.2	11.1	3.0	7.5	12.3	2.4	0.6	25.9	14.8
2004 <sup>1</sup>	0.2	4.5	3.9	0.5	0.1	9.2	3.0	6.8	14.0	2.1	0.3	26.1	17.0
Females													
1999	0.0	12.7	3.0	0.3	0.1	16.1	3.4	9.2	9.9	1.6	0.3	24.4	8.3
2000	0.0	11.2	2.0	0.1	0.3	13.5	3.6	10.1	10.7	1.4	0.6	26.4	12.9
2001	0.0	11.3	2.0	0.0	0.3	13.6	3.8	9.8	13.2	1.8	0.3	29.0	15.3
2002	1.2	9.8	1.4	0.1	0.4	12.9	3.8	11.8	17.7	1.9	0.5	35.6	22.7
2003 <sup>1</sup>	0.5	5.7	3.1	0.3	0.1	9.6	3.2	9.3	10.0	1.6	0.6	24.6	15.0
2004 <sup>1</sup>	0.3	5.4	3.3	0.3	0.0	9.4	2.3	9.1	10.8	1.6	0.3	24.0	14.6

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary

**Table 7 Estimated Immigration classified by Sex and Nationality, 1999 - 2004**

Sex and Nationality	Immigrants					
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003 <sup>1</sup>	2004 <sup>1</sup>
000						
<b>Persons</b>						
Irish	26.7	24.8	26.3	27.0	17.5	16.9
UK	8.2	8.4	9.0	7.4	6.9	5.9
Rest of EU <sup>2</sup>	6.9	8.2	6.5	8.1	6.9	10.6
USA	2.5	2.5	3.7	2.7	1.6	1.8
Rest of world	4.5	8.6	13.6	21.7	17.7	14.9
Total	48.9	52.6	59.0	66.9	50.5	50.1
<b>Males</b>						
Irish	13.7	11.8	13.2	12.4	9.4	8.6
UK	4.3	4.1	4.5	4.1	3.7	3.6
Rest of EU <sup>2</sup>	3.0	3.9	3.1	3.1	3.2	5.5
USA	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.7	0.7	0.6
Rest of world	2.4	5.2	8.1	11.0	8.8	7.8
Total	24.5	26.2	30.1	31.3	25.9	26.1
<b>Females</b>						
Irish	13.0	13.0	13.1	14.6	8.1	8.3
UK	3.9	4.3	4.5	3.3	3.1	2.3
Rest of EU <sup>2</sup>	3.9	4.4	3.5	4.9	3.7	5.1
USA	1.4	1.4	2.5	2.0	0.9	1.1
Rest of world	2.1	3.4	5.4	10.8	8.8	7.1
Total	24.4	26.4	29.0	35.6	24.6	24.0

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary<sup>2</sup> EU 15



# Background Notes

**Coverage** The reference period for the population estimates is mid-April of the years shown while the migration flows are in respect of the twelve months to mid-April of the corresponding years. The population classified by age and sex for 2002 is taken from the Census of Population.

**Source of Migration data** The principal source of information for the estimation of the gross annual migration flows is the Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS - formerly annual Labour Force Survey), which also provides the basis for the classification of the flows by sex, age group, origin/destination and nationality (immigrants only).

Other migration indicators are also used. These include:

- the continuous Country of Residence Inquiry of passengers, conducted at airports and seaports
- the Register of Electors
- the Child Benefit Scheme
- the number of visas granted
- the number of work permits issued/renewed
- the number of asylum applications

In the present release minor adjustments have been made to the 2003 breakdown of data for emigrants. These adjustments arose from a methodological change in the way responses to the emigration question are collected from the QNHS. For 2003 and 2004 the responses to the emigration question are now treated in a similar way to those of the immigration question, the methodology of which was described in the 2003 release.

**Revision of population estimates for 2003** Since the publication of the 2003 results in December 2003 an error came to light which had the result of giving incorrect data for the number of people who migrate from one region of the country to another. This led to errors in the population by region for 2003, and in particular to an overstatement in the population of the Western region. The following table shows the original and the revised population by region for 2003, along with the differences.

	Original 2003	Revised 2003	Difference
	000	000	
Border	436.0	438.9	2.9
Dublin	1,137.6	1,133.9	-3.7
Mid-East	423.6	425.1	1.5
Midland	227.0	230.3	3.3
Mid-West	344.5	342.2	-2.3
South-East	427.1	431.7	4.6
South-West	585.5	588.6	3.1
West	397.7	388.2	-9.5
Total	3,978.9	3,978.9	

The revised 2003 population classified by region, sex and age group is available from the CSO (contact [census@cs0.ie](mailto:census@cs0.ie)).

**Revision of results** While at the overall level the population estimates cover persons resident in private and non-private households (i.e., institutions), the breakdowns provided are based solely on the QNHS which covers private households only. Because there are asylum seekers who are accommodated in institutions such as hotels and hostels, the classification of immigrants by country of origin (*Table 5*) and nationality (*Table 7*) for more recent years may be subject to a wider margin of error than the other estimates in this release. The number of migrants accommodated in institutions is estimated to be in the region of about 6,400 in the year to April 2004.