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- There were 61,042 births registered in 2005, 31,369 males and 29,673 females.
- There were 27,441 deaths registered in 2005, 13,904 males and 13,537 females.
- The death rate continues to fall steadily. The number of deaths in 2005 fell below 28,000 for the first time ever.
- There were 20,723 marriages registered in 2005.
- The average age at marriage increased by 2 years between 1996 and 2002 for both brides and grooms.
- The number of divorces granted by the Circuit Court and the High Court in 2005 was 3,411.
- The most popular babies' names in 2005 were Jack and Emma.

Introduction

This chapter contains statistics on births, deaths and marriages which are compiled by the Central Statistics Office on behalf of the Minister for Health and Children, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act, 1952 and Section 73 of the Civil Registration Act 2004. The chapter also contains figures on divorce, nullity and judicial separation applications, provided by the Courts Service.

Births

Tables 3.1, 3.2 and 3.8 contain information on births. There were 52,775 babies born in 1997 and the number has risen fairly steadily since then. In 2005, there were 61,042 births – 31,369 male and 29,673 female. Almost a third of births, 19,528, were outside marriage in 2005. This compares with 15,492 births outside marriage, just over a quarter of the total, in 1998.

The average age of unmarried mothers is lower than for married mothers. Over two fifths of births outside marriage are to mothers aged under 25, with 8,433 births to mothers in this age category in 2005.

The total period fertility rate (TPFR), in table 3.9, estimates the number of children who would be born to each female over her lifetime on the basis of current birth patterns. This is an indicator of generation replacement. Even with the recent rise in births, the TPFR remains below the replacement level of 2.1 for the last decade and stands at 1.88 in 2005. This contrasts with previous decades when fertility was much higher – the TPFR was 3.76 in 1960, 3.87 in 1970, 3.23 in 1980 and 2.12 in 1990.

The most popular babies' names in 2005 were Jack and Emma. The top five names for boys and girls remained the same as the previous year, although the order changed.

Deaths

Tables 3.1 to 3.7 contain information on deaths. A total of 27,441 deaths were registered in 2005, giving a mortality rate of 6.6 per 1,000 population. The death rate for males was 6.7 per 1,000 population and for females was 6.5 per 1,000 population. The most common causes of death were diseases of the circulatory system (9,984 deaths), malignant neoplasms (7,614) and diseases of the respiratory system (3,955). Injury and poisoning accounted for 1,303 deaths. There were 431 deaths due to suicide and 268 due to motor vehicle accidents.

Life Expectancy

As a result of long-term falls in mortality, people are living longer. Table 3.13 shows the life expectancy figures since 1926 and table 3.14 contains projections up to 2037. A baby boy or girl born in 1926 could expect, on the basis of the mortality figures at that time, to live on average to about 57

years. The exact figures were 57.4 years for boys and 57.9 years for girls. By contrast, the estimated life expectancy for people born in 2002 is 75.1 years for boys and 80.3 years for girls. Assuming that similar trends continue into the future, male life expectancy in Ireland may be approaching 83 years by the year 2037 and female life expectancy should be about 87 years.

Marriages

Tables 3.2, 3.10, 3.11 and 3.12 give information on marriages. There were 20,723 marriages registered in 2005, compared with 20,619 in 2004. The figures for 2004 and 2005 were considerably above 1997, when there were 15,631 marriages. Nevertheless, the number of marriages per year is considerably below the peak levels recorded in the 1970s. Throughout that decade, the annual number of marriages exceeded 20,000 with the highest annual figure, of 22,833, recorded in 1974. The number of marriages subsequently fell from 21,792 in 1980 to 18,174 in 1989 and the trend continued downward until the mid-1990s.

While the majority of marriages are celebrated according to Roman Catholic rites, the share of civil marriages in the total is increasing. In 1970, there were 121 civil marriages, accounting for about half a percent of the total. By 1980, this had risen to 388 civil marriages (1.8%) and in 1990, 656 (or 3.7%). In 2002, the latest year for which this breakdown is available, there were 3,683 civil marriages, representing 17.9% of the total.

Divorces

Tables 3.15 and 3.16 give information on divorce applications under the Divorce Act, 1996. In 1997, the first year in which the legislation operated, there were 95 divorces granted. The number of divorces granted increased to 1,421 in 1998 and by 2003 the number increased to 2,003. There were 3,347 divorces granted in 2004 and 3,411 in 2005.

Reference period for Vital Statistics

The figures on births and deaths relate to those which occurred in the relevant years up to 2003 inclusive. Figures for 2004 and 2005 relate to births and deaths registered in those years.

The figures for marriages relate to year of registration. Due to delays in the provision of information from the registration system, some details of marriages are only currently available up to 1996 and for the year 2002.

Total Period Fertility Rate (TPFR)

The Total Period Fertility Rate (TPFR) is derived from the age-specific fertility rates in the current year. It represents the projected number of children a woman would have if she experienced the current age-specific fertility rates while progressing from age 15 to 49 years. A value of 2.1 is generally taken to be the level at which the population would replace itself in the long run, ignoring migration.

Life Expectancy

Life expectancy estimates are calculated using mortality data for the three year period around a Census year. The most recent estimates refer to 2001-2003. The projected life expectancy figures up to 2031 are taken from the CSO's Population and Labour Force Projections.

Table 3.10 - Marriages registered classified by area of occurrence

Dublin includes Dublin City, South Dublin, Fingal and Dun Laoghaire Rathdown.

Table 3.1 Births and deaths registered, 2005

	Births	Deaths
Leinster	34,157	13,247
Carlow	831	306
Dublin City	6,457	4,161
South Dublin	4,104	935
Fingal	4,237	744
Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown	2,376	1,111
Kildare	3,158	810
Kilkenny	1,143	555
Laois	924	344
Longford	469	280
Louth	1,652	657
Meath	2,689	694
Offaly	983	466
Westmeath	1,230	526
Wexford	1,971	877
Wicklow	1,933	781
Munster	16,494	8,365
Clare	1,653	813
Cork City	1,454	965
Cork County	5,380	2,191
Kerry	1,725	1,179
Limerick City	845	359
Limerick County	1,670	1,006
North Tipperary	1,103	563
South Tipperary	1,080	591
Waterford City	653	204
Waterford County	931	494
Connacht	6,896	3,777
Galway City	821	123
Galway County	2,671	1,318
Leitrim	363	294
Mayo	1,632	1,073
Roscommon	654	479
Sligo	755	490
Ulster	3,495	2,052
Cavan	849	517
Donegal	1,926	1,101
Monaghan	720	434
STATE	61,042	27,441
Regional Authorities		
Border	6,265	3,493
Midland	3,606	1,616
West	5,778	2,993
Dublin	17,174	6,951
Mid-East	7,780	2,285
Mid-West	5,271	2,741
South-East	6,609	3,027
South-West	8,559	4,335

Source: CSO

Table 3.2 Live births, deaths and marriages, and rates per 1,000 population

Number and rate

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Marriages	15,631	16,783	18,526	19,168	19,246	20,556	20,302	20,619	20,723
Births									
Male	27,061	27,848	27,817	28,175	29,684	31,013	31,455	31,817	31,369
Female	25,714	26,121	26,107	26,614	28,170	29,490	30,074	29,867	29,673
Total	52,775	53,969	53,924	54,789	57,854	60,503	61,529	61,684	61,042
Births within marriage	38,626	38,477	37,134	37,523	39,740	41,624	42,319	41,746	41,784
Births outside marriage	14,149	15,492	16,790	17,266	18,114	18,879	19,210	19,938	19,528
Births outside marriage as % of total births	26.8	28.7	31.1	31.5	31.3	31.2	31.2	32.3	32.0
Deaths									
Male	16,501	16,553	16,961	16,192	15,691	15,390	14,882	14,484	13,904
Female	15,080	15,010	15,647	15,199	14,521	14,293	14,192	13,667	13,537
Total	31,581	31,563	32,608	31,391	30,212	29,683	29,074	28,151	27,441
Natural increase	21,194	22,406	21,316	23,398	27,642	30,820	32,455	33,533	33,601
Rates per 1,000 of population									
Marriages	4.3	4.5	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.0
Births	14.4	14.6	14.4	14.5	15.1	15.4	15.5	15.3	14.8
Deaths	8.6	8.5	8.7	8.3	7.9	7.6	7.3	7.0	6.6

Source: CSO

Birth, death and marriage rates per 1,000 population

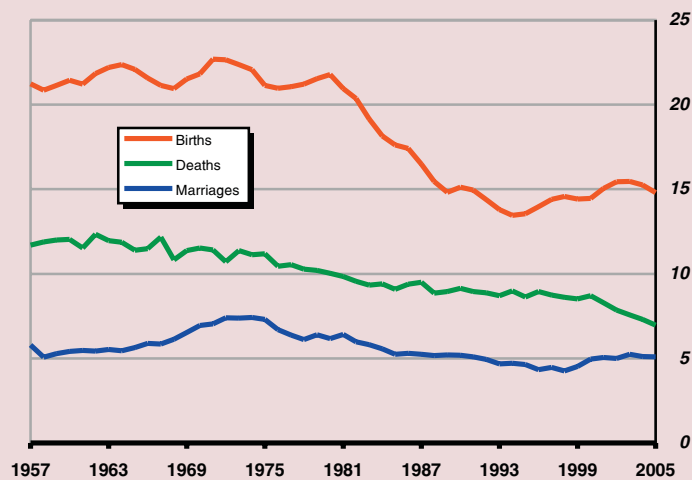


Table 3.3 Deaths classified by age and sex

	<i>Number</i>								
Age at death	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Males									
Under 1 year	164	196	172	203	178	169	193	170	114
1-4	30	33	41	29	45	30	26	24	25
5-9	17	14	32	20	20	17	19	22	16
10-14	38	33	37	21	23	29	28	20	17
15-19	137	146	141	146	129	117	87	89	97
20-24	226	221	191	205	185	186	183	143	161
25-34	303	329	354	355	365	384	313	279	311
35-44	423	452	432	478	468	449	432	429	396
45-54	896	908	988	970	925	994	890	881	836
55-64	1,918	1,940	1,901	1,870	1,873	1,835	1,832	1,778	1,711
65-74	4,272	4,119	4,121	3,876	3,680	3,488	3,302	3,251	3,072
75-84	5,597	5,625	5,753	5,387	5,081	5,056	4,966	4,827	4,559
85-94	2,305	2,396	2,618	2,464	2,577	2,497	2,441	2,398	2,414
95 and over	175	141	180	168	142	139	170	173	175
Total	16,501	16,553	16,961	16,192	15,691	15,390	14,882	14,484	13,904
Females									
Under 1 year	157	120	145	135	153	136	133	130	130
1-4	30	25	33	16	33	29	23	24	23
5-9	13	18	15	19	16	11	10	13	11
10-14	23	26	24	22	20	21	14	13	18
15-19	62	54	51	61	40	47	34	25	36
20-24	51	47	58	63	64	54	54	42	50
25-34	125	115	114	116	111	137	107	115	120
35-44	263	272	252	307	301	258	250	266	249
45-54	583	567	598	626	643	553	565	542	576
55-64	1,092	1,078	1,091	1,074	988	996	1,146	1,072	1,052
65-74	2,789	2,657	2,633	2,561	2,271	2,253	2,104	2,029	2,002
75-84	5,427	5,397	5,583	5,247	5,158	4,891	4,926	4,585	4,446
85-94	4,009	4,096	4,499	4,410	4,167	4,336	4,241	4,213	4,194
95 and over	456	538	551	542	556	571	585	598	630
Total	15,080	15,010	15,647	15,199	14,521	14,293	14,192	13,667	13,537

Source: CSO

Suicide rate per 100,000 population

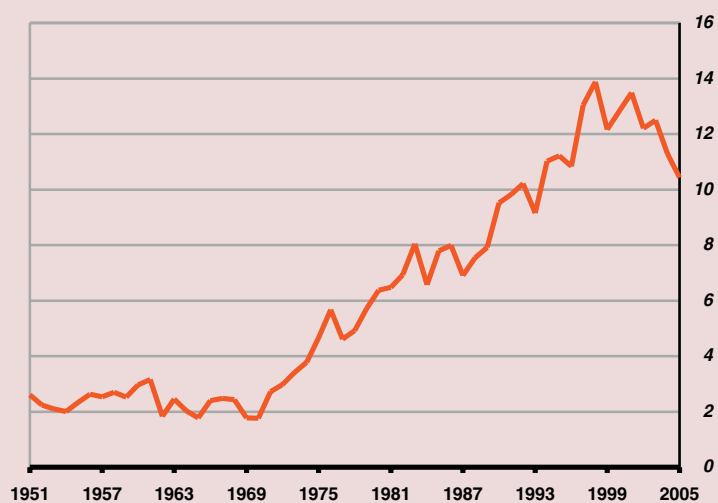


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Table 3.4 Death rates per 1,000 population, classified by sex and age group

Age at death	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Males										
Under 5	1.55	1.51	1.75	1.59	1.69	1.59	1.40	1.50	1.30	0.91
5-9	0.17	0.12	0.10	0.23	0.15	0.15	0.13	0.14	0.16	0.11
10-14	0.28	0.23	0.21	0.24	0.14	0.15	0.20	0.19	0.14	0.12
15-19	0.70	0.78	0.83	0.81	0.86	0.79	0.73	0.55	0.58	0.64
20-24	1.40	1.49	1.45	1.24	1.30	1.15	1.13	1.09	0.84	0.94
25-34	1.32	1.16	1.23	1.29	1.25	1.24	1.24	0.99	0.86	0.90
35-44	1.70	1.68	1.76	1.64	1.78	1.71	1.60	1.52	1.47	1.32
45-54	4.27	4.16	4.08	4.33	4.15	3.89	4.11	3.64	3.55	3.29
55-64	13.18	12.84	12.67	12.05	11.47	11.02	10.34	9.88	9.25	8.62
65-74	39.17	38.45	36.78	36.57	34.12	31.97	29.81	27.72	26.69	24.64
75 and over	122.08	119.66	118.81	124.11	115.05	109.86	106.54	103.23	98.12	91.88
Total	9.26	9.07	9.00	9.13	8.60	8.20	7.91	7.53	7.20	6.75
Females										
Under 5	1.37	1.54	1.18	1.41	1.17	1.40	1.22	1.12	1.08	1.06
5-9	0.08	0.10	0.13	0.11	0.15	0.12	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.08
10-14	0.10	0.15	0.17	0.16	0.15	0.14	0.15	0.10	0.10	0.13
15-19	0.31	0.37	0.32	0.31	0.38	0.26	0.31	0.23	0.17	0.25
20-24	0.27	0.35	0.32	0.39	0.41	0.41	0.33	0.32	0.25	0.29
25-34	0.48	0.47	0.42	0.41	0.41	0.38	0.44	0.34	0.35	0.36
35-44	0.94	1.03	1.04	0.95	1.13	1.08	0.91	0.87	0.91	0.84
45-54	2.65	2.76	2.60	2.67	2.72	2.75	2.31	2.32	2.19	2.28
55-64	7.19	7.39	7.10	6.99	6.67	5.89	5.72	6.31	5.69	5.37
65-74	22.21	21.70	20.76	20.68	20.15	17.80	17.52	16.22	15.44	14.97
75 and over	92.47	90.59	89.72	94.01	89.15	85.03	82.89	81.13	76.83	74.40
Total	8.24	8.17	8.05	8.31	7.97	7.51	7.25	7.09	6.72	6.53

Source: CSO

Principal causes of death in 2005

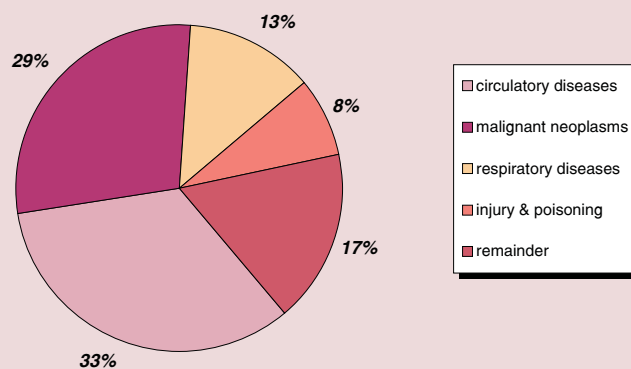


Table 3.5 Deaths classified by cause and rates, per 100,000 population

Cause of death	Number of deaths					Death rates per 100,000				
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Total deaths	30,212	29,683	28,823	28,151	27,441	785.3	757.8	724.4	696.2	664.3
Infectious and parasitic diseases	184	181	151	144	169	4.8	4.6	3.8	3.6	4.1
Malignant neoplasms	7,632	7,503	7,568	7,717	7,614	198.4	191.5	190.2	190.8	184.3
Diseases of the circulatory system	11,886	11,652	10,984	10,608	9,984	309.0	297.5	276.1	262.3	241.7
Diseases of the respiratory system	4,472	4,344	4,428	4,060	3,955	116.2	110.9	111.3	100.4	95.7
Diseases of the digestive system	1,047	1,025	1,006	960	990	27.2	26.2	25.3	23.7	24.0
Injury and poisoning	1,648	1,603	1,355	1,241	1,303	42.8	40.9	34.1	30.7	31.5
Other	3,343	3,375	3,331	3,421	3,426	86.9	86.2	83.7	84.6	79.1
External causes (included above)										
Accidents and adverse effects	1,195	1,158	960	843	925	31.1	29.6	24.1	20.8	22.4
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	394	368	293	262	268	10.2	9.4	7.4	6.5	6.5
Suicide	519	478	444	457	431	13.5	12.2	11.2	11.3	10.4
Other	118	131	91	83	97	3.1	3.3	2.3	2.1	2.3

Source: CSO

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Table 3.6 Death rates from cancer by age and sex, per 100,000 population

Age at death	Males						Females					
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Under 25	3.5	3.3	3.2	4.4	4.5	2.6	3.6	4.7	2.9	2.2	3.3	2.6
25-34	12.3	11.2	8.4	10.7	4.9	9.9	9.9	7.5	10.4	7.0	11.4	11.3
35-44	36.2	31.7	27.9	28.5	27.8	25.4	54.3	52.4	38.5	38.9	47.2	41.3
45-54	124.0	117.3	133.3	107.9	111.1	102.4	148.2	148.2	121.8	122.5	107.1	127.1
55-64	427.0	383.2	394.0	380.6	357.8	337.0	354.7	310.9	303.7	359.6	321.3	306.3
65-74	1,125.9	1,069.5	1,019.7	1,033.6	1,020.5	936.6	757.7	706.9	699.1	659.2	666.7	677.6
75 and over	2,375.9	2,439.4	2,371.2	2,317.4	2,389.9	2,214.7	1,319.9	1,395.9	1,326.6	1,396.0	1,334.4	1,329.9
Total	216.6	211.1	208.3	204.9	205.9	191.8	188.1	185.8	175.0	181.5	176.0	176.9

Source: CSO

Table 3.7 Death rates from diseases of the circulatory system, per 100,000 population

Age at death	Males						Females					
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Under 25	1.7	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.5	2.5	1.3	1.0	1.3	1.0	1.0	1.2
25-34	9.9	9.1	7.5	7.6	9.8	8.4	6.0	5.1	5.5	3.5	3.4	1.8
35-44	38.8	33.6	39.0	29.5	32.3	29.7	18.7	10.4	14.8	13.2	12.3	8.1
45-54	153.9	130.3	141.6	123.8	138.1	104.4	53.0	50.8	38.9	44.0	39.6	34.5
55-64	463.2	436.1	381.1	375.2	338.0	312.8	158.4	127.1	122.8	132.7	103.0	100.1
65-74	1,447.2	1,323.2	1,251.3	1,050.4	1,011.5	881.3	693.9	601.9	553.7	494.2	464.2	412.1
75 and over	5,086.1	4,793.0	4,566.5	4,359.7	4,021.2	3,817.5	4,266.6	3,981.1	3,924.7	3,678.0	3,481.6	3,225.5
Total	342.5	319.3	304.5	281.9	268.2	247.3	326.1	298.7	290.5	273.0	256.5	236.1

Source: CSO

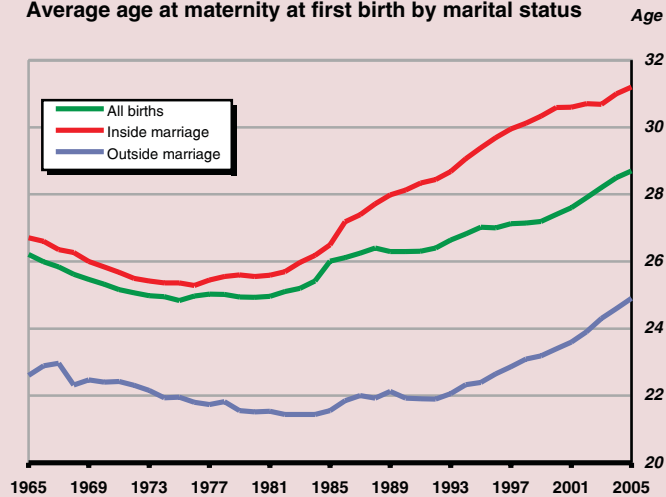
Table 3.8 Births classified by age of mother at maternity

Number

Age	Total births						Births outside marriage					
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
15 and under	67	67	62	58	53	42	67	63	59	57	53	41
Under 20	3,116	3,087	2,948	2,828	2,560	2,427	2,945	2,870	2,693	2,609	2,340	2,261
20-24	7,933	8,325	8,557	8,378	8,213	7,785	6,252	6,427	6,436	6,212	6,389	6,131
25-29	13,556	14,160	14,592	14,647	14,339	13,650	4,324	4,599	4,912	5,078	5,423	5,363
30-34	18,018	19,276	20,370	20,970	21,267	21,335	2,333	2,582	2,977	3,294	3,521	3,526
35-39	10,077	10,779	11,651	12,114	12,544	13,208	1,078	1,253	1,390	1,532	1,711	1,812
40-44	1,765	1,867	1,971	2,186	2,247	2,452	234	274	315	352	383	389
45 and over	63	79	70	66	78	74	6	9	14	12	23	15
Age not stated	261	281	344	340	436	111	94	100	142	121	148	31
All ages	54,789	57,854	60,503	61,529	61,684	61,042	17,266	18,114	18,879	19,210	19,938	19,528

Source: CSO

Average age at maternity at first birth by marital status



Birth order (number of previous children)

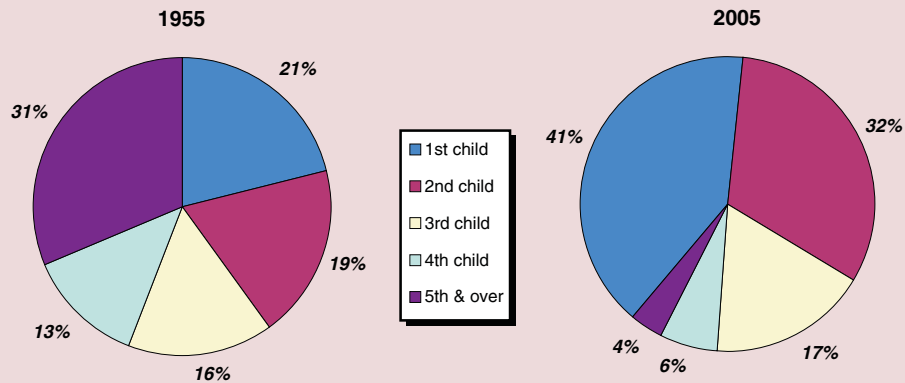


Table 3.9 Age specific fertility rates and total period fertility rates

Year	Age at maternity							Total period fertility rates
	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	
1960	8.8	103.9	209.6	213.1	156.3	56.0	4.2	3.76
1961	9.5	108.2	216.9	209.6	152.1	57.7	4.2	3.79
1962	11.2	114.2	224.1	214.8	155.8	59.5	4.5	3.92
1963	12.2	120.1	229.2	223.0	153.9	60.1	3.5	4.01
1964	13.1	123.1	237.8	221.7	152.3	61.3	3.7	4.06
1965	14.0	125.1	236.1	218.9	150.3	57.6	4.2	4.03
1966	13.5	128.1	232.5	213.1	144.4	54.9	4.3	3.95
1967	14.5	129.7	220.0	208.3	138.6	52.9	4.4	3.84
1968	14.1	134.8	222.5	197.8	133.8	48.5	4.1	3.78
1969	15.4	139.7	228.7	199.5	133.1	48.1	4.4	3.85
1970	16.3	145.5	228.7	201.9	131.9	45.3	3.7	3.87
1971	19.1	150.3	243.5	200.5	131.7	46.6	3.3	3.98
1972	21.3	152.1	241.5	187.6	125.7	43.4	3.4	3.88
1973	22.4	149.9	235.0	181.2	115.6	41.3	2.7	3.74
1974	22.6	145.4	229.5	171.9	111.2	39.9	2.8	3.62
1975	22.8	138.5	216.0	162.2	100.2	36.8	2.6	3.40
1976	21.9	133.7	211.7	162.2	94.9	34.8	3.1	3.31
1977	21.2	130.4	205.5	166.7	93.9	33.2	3.0	3.27
1978	21.8	126.2	201.7	167.8	96.5	31.1	2.8	3.24
1979	22.7	125.9	202.5	168.4	94.1	29.9	2.3	3.23
1980	23.0	125.3	202.3	165.7	97.3	29.6	2.3	3.23
1981	22.2	117.4	190.3	161.5	93.6	26.5	2.4	3.07
1982	20.7	110.2	185.0	156.9	91.6	24.9	2.2	2.96
1983	18.7	102.6	172.3	146.9	84.6	25.0	1.7	2.76
1984	18.0	95.4	163.3	138.4	78.9	21.8	1.9	2.59
1985	16.6	87.2	158.6	138.4	75.3	21.6	1.5	2.50
1986	16.4	83.1	154.3	139.0	73.4	21.2	1.5	2.44
1987	16.1	75.4	147.9	132.3	68.6	19.8	1.3	2.31
1988	15.3	69.6	141.0	125.5	63.2	17.8	1.1	2.17
1989	14.8	64.0	134.4	122.0	62.4	17.0	1.1	2.08
1990	16.7	63.3	137.6	126.2	63.1	15.4	1.1	2.12
1991	17.1	64.0	131.8	124.4	63.4	15.2	1.0	2.09
1992	16.9	58.9	123.9	122.3	61.3	14.4	0.8	1.99
1993	16.3	53.8	116.5	121.2	58.5	14.1	0.9	1.91
1994	15.0	50.7	112.5	119.8	58.6	12.8	0.7	1.85
1995	15.1	50.3	106.7	123.5	60.3	13.1	0.8	1.85
1996	16.7	52.2	105.3	127.1	63.9	11.8	0.6	1.89
1997	17.5	50.9	106.4	131.5	66.6	13.4	0.8	1.94
1998	19.2	52.5	103.1	131.5	69.3	13.4	0.6	1.95
1999	20.2	51.0	99.4	129.5	68.5	12.9	0.6	1.91
2000	19.5	51.6	95.1	129.3	71.3	13.6	0.5	1.90
2001	19.9	53.3	95.1	134.1	75.3	13.9	0.7	1.96
2002	19.4	52.8	93.7	134.5	80.0	14.5	0.6	1.98
2003	18.8	50.8	93.6	134.5	81.4	15.6	0.5	1.98
2004	17.6	49.1	87.9	133.4	84.6	15.8	0.6	1.95
2005	16.8	45.9	78.8	130.3	87.2	16.8	0.6	1.88

Source: CSO

TABLE 3.9

Table 3.10 Marriages registered in 2004 classified by area of occurrence

Area of occurrence	Number	Rate per 1,000 population
Leinster	10,360	4.8
Carlow	240	5.0
Dublin	4,776	4.1
Kildare	925	5.4
Kilkenny	408	4.8
Laois	331	5.4
Longford	156	4.8
Louth	638	6.0
Meath	740	5.3
Offaly	370	5.5
Westmeath	386	5.1
Wexford	642	5.2
Wicklow	748	6.2
Munster	6,364	5.6
Clare	458	4.2
Cork City	2,316	4.9
Cork County	838	2.5
Kerry	970	7.0
Limerick City	878	15.5
Limerick County	262	2.1
North Tipperary	382	6.0
South Tipperary	437	5.3
Waterford City	284	6.1
Waterford County	377	6.3
Connacht	2,431	5.1
Galway City	485	7.0
Galway County	621	4.1
Leitrim	125	4.6
Mayo	668	5.4
Roscommon	213	3.8
Sligo	319	5.2
Ulster	1,464	5.7
Cavan	339	5.7
Donegal	825	5.7
Monaghan	300	5.4
STATE	20,619	5.1
Regional Authorities		
Border	2,546	5.7
Midland	1,243	5.3
West	1,987	5.1
Dublin	4,776	4.1
Mid-East	2,413	5.7
Mid-West	1,980	5.6
South-East	2,388	5.5
South-West	3,286	5.5
Health Boards		
ERHA	6,449	4.5
Midland	1,243	5.3
Mid Western	1,980	5.6
North Eastern	2,017	5.7
North Western	1,269	5.5
South Eastern	2,388	5.5
Southern	3,286	5.5
Western	1,987	5.1

Source: CSO

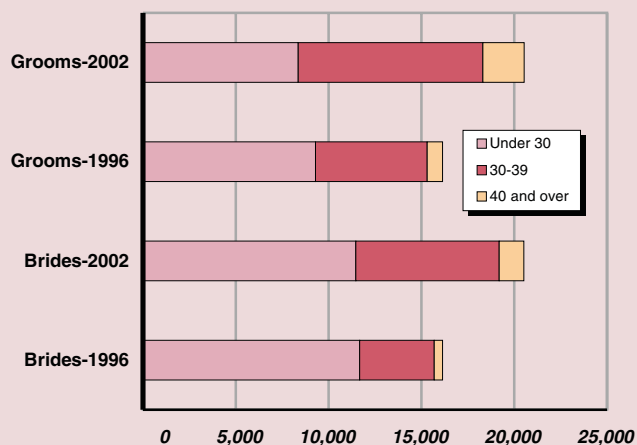
Table 3.11 Marriages registered in 2002 classified by month and day of week of marriage

Month of occurrence	Day of occurrence							Total
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
January	2	45	45	51	66	171	137	517
February	7	52	43	51	101	217	208	679
March	22	44	35	45	91	302	375	914
April	17	98	70	68	121	441	538	1,353
May	35	84	61	102	247	854	783	2,166
June	40	105	70	87	207	721	1,086	2,316
July	41	119	89	144	296	854	946	2,489
August	63	174	99	163	440	1,164	1,372	3,475
September	42	120	83	112	355	919	1,135	2,766
October	43	88	69	86	218	686	744	1,934
November	7	51	40	47	102	362	387	996
December	19	104	50	53	129	303	293	951
Total	337	1,084	753	1,009	2,373	6,994	8,004	20,556

Source: CSO

TABLE 3.11

Number of marriages classified by ages of brides and grooms



Number of marriages classified by form of ceremony

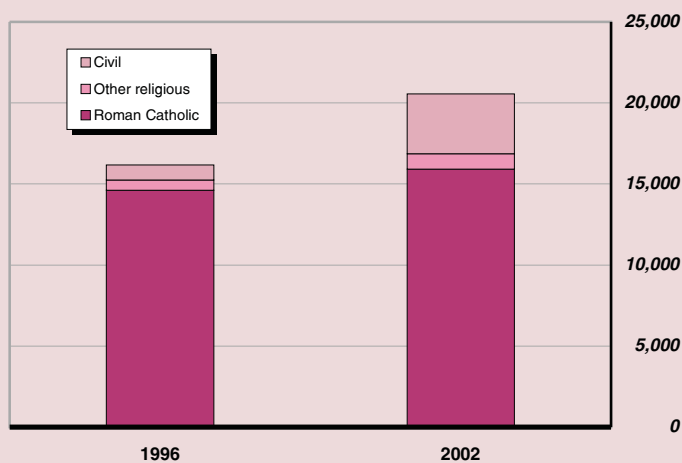


Table 3.12 Summary data for marriages 1990-1996 and 2002

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	2002
State	17,838	17,441	16,636	16,824	16,621	15,604	16,174	20,556
Marriages per 1,000 population	5.1	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.3	4.5	5.2
Average age of groom	28.6	28.7	29.0	29.3	29.8	30.0	30.2	32.5
Average age of bride	26.6	26.9	27.1	27.4	27.8	28.1	28.4	30.4
Percentage of marriages by age of groom								
Under 20	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.7
20-24	23.8	22.0	19.6	17.3	14.9	12.8	10.8	5.4
25-29	47.1	47.4	47.9	47.9	47.4	46.5	46.3	34.6
30-34	18.3	20.0	21.6	23.0	24.3	27.3	29.0	34.9
35-39	5.6	5.7	5.9	6.5	7.3	7.8	8.2	13.6
Over 40	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.6	5.4	5.1	5.2	10.8
Percentage of marriages by age of bride								
Under 20	3.4	3.2	2.5	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.2
20-24	37.8	35.1	32.4	29.9	27.3	23.7	21.6	11.7
25-29	42.6	43.5	46.2	46.8	47.5	49.1	49.5	42.9
30-34	11.1	12.6	13.5	14.8	16.7	18.8	19.9	28.3
35-39	3.1	3.6	3.3	4.0	4.1	4.4	5.1	9.4
Over 40	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.4	2.8	2.4	2.7	6.5
Form of Ceremony								
Roman Catholic	16,626	16,293	15,255	15,400	15,200	14,158	14,607	15,908
Church of Ireland	423	392	521	444	434	425	483	781
Presbyterian	73	52	98	58	51	76	91	112
Methodist	27	30	35	43	33	25	38	40
Jewish	6	–	–	1	3	1	2	6
Other Religious	27	25	32	41	50	28	25	26
Civil Marriages	656	649	695	837	850	891	928	3,683
Country of future residence								
Outside Republic of Ireland	3,123	2,887	2,656	2,740	2,661	2,502	2,604	2,293
Northern Ireland	174	202	176	204	235	216	271	256
Britain	1,933	1,845	1,710	1,614	1,537	1,404	1,359	1,205
Europe (remainder)	192	162	193	242	166	203	222	182
USA	524	438	363	415	509	490	570	480
Elsewhere	300	240	214	265	214	189	182	170
Percentage of Marriages with country of future residence outside								
Republic of Ireland	17.5	16.6	16.0	16.3	16.0	16.0	16.1	11.2

Source: CSO

Table 3.13 Life expectancy at various ages

Period	Age in years									
	0	5	10	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
Males										
1925-1927	57.4	59.5	55.2	38.4	30.4	22.7	15.8	10.0	5.8	3.3
1935-1937	58.2	60.1	55.8	38.5	30.3	22.4	15.5	10.0	6.0	3.1
1940-1942	59.0	60.7	56.3	38.9	30.6	22.5	15.4	9.6	5.7	3.6
1945-1947	60.5	61.5	56.9	39.2	30.6	22.4	15.1	9.2	5.3	3.2
1950-1952	64.5	63.6	58.8	40.3	31.3	22.8	15.4	9.2	5.0	2.7
1960-1962	68.1	65.7	60.8	41.7	32.4	23.5	15.8	9.7	5.1	2.5
1965-1967	68.6	65.7	60.8	41.7	32.2	23.4	15.6	9.7	5.2	2.6
1970-1972	68.8	65.5	60.6	41.5	32.1	23.3	15.6	9.7	5.4	2.8
1978-1980	69.5	65.7	60.8	41.7	32.2	23.3	15.7	9.5	5.3	2.9
1980-1982	70.1	66.1	61.3	42.1	32.6	23.6	15.9	9.7	5.4	2.9
1985-1987	71.0	66.8	61.9	42.7	33.1	24.0	16.0	9.7	5.3	2.8
1990-1992	72.3	68.0	63.1	43.9	34.4	25.2	17.0	10.4	5.8	3.0
1995-1997	73.0	68.6	63.6	44.5	35.1	25.8	17.5	10.6	5.9	3.0
2001-2003	75.1	70.7	65.7	46.5	37.0	27.8	19.2	11.9	6.5	3.3
Females										
1925-1927	57.9	59.2	54.9	38.6	30.8	23.2	16.4	10.7	6.5	3.7
1935-1937	59.6	60.4	56.1	39.2	31.2	23.3	16.2	10.6	6.5	3.4
1940-1942	61.0	61.4	56.9	39.9	31.6	23.5	16.3	10.4	6.4	4.2
1945-1947	62.4	62.5	57.9	40.5	32.1	23.9	16.4	10.2	6.0	3.8
1950-1952	67.1	65.4	60.6	42.2	33.3	24.7	16.8	10.2	5.6	3.2
1960-1962	71.9	69.0	64.1	44.7	35.3	26.3	18.1	11.0	5.9	3.0
1965-1967	72.9	69.6	64.8	45.2	35.7	26.6	18.4	11.2	6.1	3.1
1970-1972	73.5	70.0	65.1	45.6	36.0	27.0	18.7	11.5	6.2	3.2
1978-1980	75.0	71.0	66.1	46.5	36.8	27.6	19.2	11.9	6.4	3.4
1980-1982	75.6	71.5	66.6	47.0	37.3	28.0	19.5	12.2	6.7	3.5
1985-1987	76.7	72.4	67.5	47.8	38.1	28.7	20.1	12.6	6.8	3.3
1990-1992	77.9	73.5	68.6	48.9	39.2	29.8	21.1	13.5	7.4	3.6
1995-1997	78.5	74.1	69.1	49.5	39.8	30.3	21.5	13.7	7.5	3.7
2001-2003	80.3	75.7	70.8	51.1	41.4	31.9	22.9	14.8	8.2	4.1

Source: CSO

TABLE 3.13

Life expectancy at birth

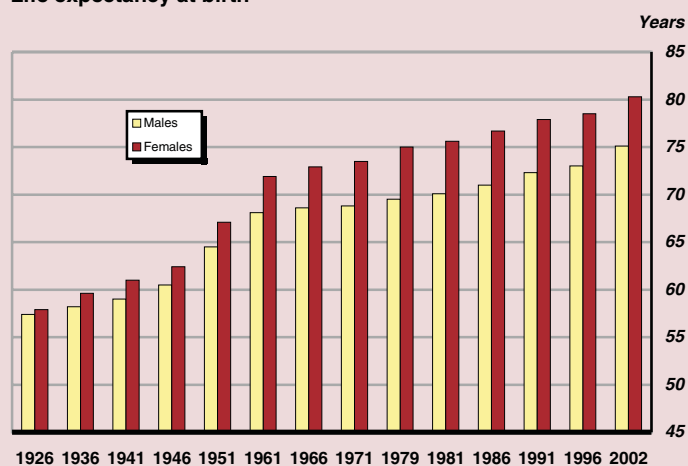


Table 3.14 Projected life expectancy at various ages

Period	Age in years									
	0	5	10	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
Males										
2005-2007	76.1	71.6	66.6	47.4	37.9	28.6	20.0	12.5	6.7	3.4
2010-2012	77.2	72.7	67.8	48.6	39.1	29.7	20.9	13.1	7.1	3.6
2015-2017	78.4	73.8	68.9	49.6	40.1	30.8	21.8	13.8	7.5	3.8
2020-2022	79.5	74.9	69.9	50.6	41.1	31.7	22.7	14.5	7.9	4.0
2025-2027	80.5	75.9	70.9	51.6	42.1	32.7	23.5	15.1	8.3	4.1
2030-2032	81.5	76.9	71.9	52.6	43.1	33.6	24.3	15.7	8.7	4.3
2035-2037	82.5	77.8	72.8	53.5	44.0	34.5	25.1	16.4	9.0	4.5
Females										
2005-2007	81.1	76.6	71.6	51.9	42.2	32.7	23.6	15.3	8.5	4.3
2010-2012	82.1	77.5	72.6	52.9	43.1	33.6	24.5	16.0	9.0	4.6
2015-2017	83.1	78.5	73.5	53.8	44.1	34.5	25.3	16.7	9.5	4.9
2020-2022	84.1	79.4	74.5	54.7	45.0	35.4	26.1	17.4	9.9	5.2
2025-2027	85.1	80.3	75.4	55.7	45.9	36.3	26.9	18.1	10.4	5.5
2030-2032	86.0	81.2	76.2	56.5	46.8	37.1	27.7	18.7	10.9	5.8
2035-2037	86.9	82.1	77.1	57.4	47.6	38.0	28.5	19.4	11.4	6.2

Source: CSO

TABLE 3.14

Life expectancy at age 65

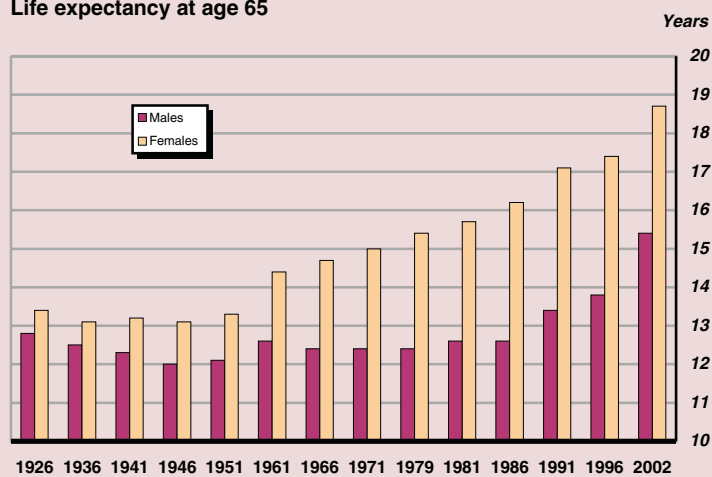


Table 3.15 Divorce, judicial separation and nullity applications received and granted by the courts, 2004

	<i>Number</i>					
	Divorce applications		Judicial separation applications		Nullity applications	
	Received	Granted	Received	Granted	Received	Granted
Circuit Court						
Carlow	58	37	18	3	1	1
Dublin	1,466	1,464	600	598	13	1
Naas	145	114	58	39	2	1
Kilkenny	51	45	26	14	2	1
Portlaoise	40	31	11	7	–	–
Longford	13	19	5	10	–	–
Dundalk	130	100	57	35	2	–
Trim	110	78	71	40	1	3
Tullamore	44	47	11	6	–	–
Mullingar	70	64	24	22	–	–
Wexford	117	118	30	28	–	–
Wicklow	111	83	33	21	–	–
Ennis	98	79	18	23	1	–
Cork	521	269	252	92	9	5
Tralee	105	72	48	32	2	–
Limerick	158	176	103	70	4	4
Clonmel	145	96	49	21	1	1
Waterford	122	122	37	38	–	–
Galway	71	33	35	27	6	–
Carrick on Shannon	16	18	4	4	3	1
Castlebar	68	46	42	20	2	1
Roscommon	22	22	17	11	2	1
Sligo	51	50	21	9	–	–
Cavan	33	27	22	10	–	–
Letterkenny	78	74	38	21	–	–
Monaghan	37	21	24	15	–	–
Total Circuit Court	3,880	3,305	1,654	1,216	51	20
High Court	34	42	48	42	-	5
TOTAL	3,914	3,347	1,702	1,258	51	25

Source: Courts Service

TABLE 3.15

Table 3.16 Divorce, judicial separation and nullity applications received and granted by the courts, 2005

	<i>Number</i>					
	Divorce applications		Judicial separation applications		Nullity applications	
	Received	Granted	Received	Granted	Received	Granted
Circuit Court						
Carlow	62	62	14	9	–	–
Dublin	1,329	1,126	503	309	13	14
Naas	153	117	69	27	2	–
Kilkenny	63	54	33	12	3	1
Portlaoise	50	50	21	10	–	–
Longford	23	12	5	2	1	–
Dundalk	130	123	57	41	4	–
Trim	153	85	56	30	–	5
Tullamore	51	46	18	3	–	–
Mullingar	70	59	19	12	2	–
Wexford	60	102	30	20	–	–
Wicklow	153	118	50	32	1	–
Ennis	110	111	40	23	1	–
Cork	505	401	234	123	7	5
Tralee	121	99	52	33	–	1
Limerick	207	170	62	67	3	1
Clonmel	136	117	41	20	1	–
Waterford	117	83	39	27	–	–
Galway	176	123	101	40	4	5
Carrick on Shannon	21	10	1	1	1	2
Castlebar	77	69	40	28	3	1
Roscommon	55	30	24	9	2	–
Sligo	73	50	18	10	1	2
Cavan	43	33	30	26	–	–
Letterkenny	115	96	62	20	1	–
Monaghan	43	45	39	16	–	–
Total Circuit Court	4,096	3,391	1,658	950	50	37
High Court	30	20	49	23	1	6
TOTAL	4,126	3,411	1,707	973	51	43

Source: Courts Service

TABLE 3.16

Table 3.17 Top 25 babies' names registered in 2005, in order of popularity, with corresponding rank in 2004

Boy's name	2005	Number	2004	Number	Girl's name	2005	Number	2004	Number
Jack	1	931	2	835	Emma	1	787	1	703
Sean	2	893	1	928	Sarah	2	561	3	642
Adam	3	710	4	688	Katie	3	574	2	575
Conor	4	705	3	736	Amy	4	546	4	510
James	5	699	4	688	Aoife	5	534	5	492
Daniel	6	654	6	630	Ciara	6	500	6	484
Cian	7	561	8	546	Sophie	7	468	7	451
Luke	8	544	8	544	Chloe	8	453	8	440
Aaron	9	488	10	503	Leah	9	424	9	427
Michael	10	484	9	527	Ella	10	381	11	405
Dylan	11	467	11	479	Emily	11	346	13	385
Ryan	12	432	13	451	Rachel	12	342	14	381
Jamie	13	408	16	406	Niamh	13	421	10	375
Ben	14	401	17	399	Grace	14	295	20	369
David	14	401	12	459	Rebecca	15	290	21	353
Thomas	16	397	20	371	Hannah	16	340	16	350
John	17	386	21	366	Caoimhe	17	357	12	345
Patrick	18	381	24	357	Ava	18	308	18	339
Matthew	19	379	23	361	Lauren	19	318	17	312
Darragh	20	377	15	414	Jessica	20	264	23	311
Eoin	21	370	14	429	Anna	21	245	26	290
Oisín	21	370	18	384	Kate	22	342	14	284
Shane	23	355	19	379	Roisin	23	237	27	280
Alex	24	336	26	322	Lucy	24	276	22	275
Evan	25	324	25	337	Molly	25	206	31	261

Source: CSO

TABLE 3.17

