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## Housing and Households

- In 2011 there were 1,994,845 permanent dwellings or housing units in the State. Of these, 1,649,408 were occupied by persons usually resident in the State. The overall vacancy rate in 2011, including holiday homes, was 14.5%.
- The number of households in rented accommodation increased by 47% to 474,788 in 2011, up from 323,007 in 2006. The overall percentage of households renting their accommodation rose to 29% causing home ownership rates to fall from 74.7% in 2006 to 69.7% in 2011.
- There were 177,587 occupied apartments in 2011, an increase of 27% on the 2006 figure of 139,872. Apartments comprised 10.9% of all occupied households in 2011 and accounted for almost one third of all household types in Dublin City.
- Six out of ten homes where the head of household was aged 65 years and over did not have any internet access in 2011. This figure rose to 79% in cases where the person aged 65 or over lived alone.

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## Introduction

This chapter looks at housing in Ireland in terms of the type of accommodation, nature of occupancy and features such as central heating, sewerage and water supply. The statistics are taken from the 2006 and 2011 Censuses of Population.

## Increase in housing stock

There were just under 1.65 million occupied permanent housing units at the time of the census in April 2011, an increase of 187,100 units, or 13% since 2006. Of these additions 73,900 were detached houses, 58,300 were semi-detached while 40,055 were purpose built flats or apartments. While detached houses comprised 42% of the total and remained the most popular dwelling type, flats and apartments have shown the largest increase from 110,000 in 2006 to 150,000 in 2011, an increase of 27%. In contrast the number of occupied semi-detached houses increased by just 14.6% over the period. The number of bed-sits has fallen and stood at just 5,700 in April 2011, of which 70.3% were in Dublin. Bedsits accounted for only 0.9% of all occupied housing units in Dublin City in 2011.

## Household size continues to shrink

Census 2011 saw the number of private households increase by 12.6% over five years to stand at 1,654,208. The number of people living in private households grew more slowly, by 9.4%, to 4,510,409. There is now an average of 2.73 persons in each household, down from 2.81 in 2006. This continues a long-running trend of households becoming smaller. There were 392,000 people living on their own in April 2011, almost evenly split between men and women with 194,000 and 198,000 respectively.

## Renting

Almost 475,000 households in Ireland were renting on Census Night 2011. This represents a 58% increase since Census 2006 when just over 300,000 households were renting. The biggest increases were in Laois (up 88%) and Fingal (up 81%).

The average weekly rent paid across the country fell by 1% to €136. Households living in private rented flats and apartments paid the highest rent at an average of €187 per week.

## Central heating, water supply and sewerage

A revised question on the Census 2011 form asked about the main type of fuel used in central heating systems. Fossil fuel topped the responses with oil, natural gas and coal used to heat 4 out of 5 Irish homes.

Three-quarters of the occupied 1,649,408 permanent private households in April 2011 were connected to the public mains piped water supply. Of the remaining households

9% were connected to a local authority group water scheme and 12.9% were connected to a private source (group and other).

Public sewerage facilities were used for disposing the waste water of two-thirds of all private dwellings in 2011. A further 27.5% of households used an individual septic tank while 3.2% of households used other individual sewerage systems.

### **Vacancy rate of 14.5%**

In April 2011 there were 1,994,845 permanent dwellings or housing units in the State. Of these 1,649,408 were occupied by persons usually resident in the State, while 10,703 were occupied by guests or visitors. There were 45,283 dwellings where all the occupants were temporarily absent on census night. A total of 59,395 housing units were classified as unoccupied holiday homes. The remaining 230,056 units were vacant, of which 168,427 were vacant houses and 61,629 were vacant apartments. The overall vacancy rate in April 2011, including holiday homes, was 14.5%.

### **Internet and broadband**

Between 2006 and 2011 the number of private households with a personal computer increased by 44.8% to 1.2 million households, taking the percentage of households with a PC from 58% to 74.3%.

Broadband use in private households increased from 21.1% in 2006 to 65.3% in 2011. The proportion of homes using slower types of internet connection decreased accordingly from 28.2% in 2006 to 8.3% in 2011, while those with no internet connection fell from 50.8% to 26.4%.

**Table 20.1** Number of private households in permanent housing units in each province, county and city, by type of accommodation, 2011

Province, county or city	Total	Detached house	Semi-detached house	Terraced house	Flat or apartment in a purpose-built block	Flat or apartment in a converted house or commercial building	Bed-sit	Not stated
<b>Leinster</b>	<b>895,149</b>	<b>273,935</b>	<b>284,769</b>	<b>182,834</b>	<b>114,971</b>	<b>17,563</b>	<b>4,498</b>	<b>16,579</b>
Carlow	19,365	10,003	5,383	2,665	666	198	40	410
Dublin	466,461	54,959	163,078	127,644	93,523	13,167	4,004	10,086
<i>Dublin City</i>	207,847	10,837	47,998	74,179	54,639	10,858	3,697	5,639
<i>Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown</i>	75,786	16,598	30,236	12,969	13,539	1,208	136	1,100
<i>Fingal</i>	92,951	18,033	39,639	18,101	14,762	597	88	1,731
<i>South Dublin</i>	89,877	9,491	45,205	22,395	10,583	504	83	1,616
Kildare	70,504	28,835	26,720	7,777	5,374	671	83	1,044
Kilkenny	33,583	19,796	7,350	4,595	1,060	310	34	438
Laois	27,916	15,521	8,042	2,715	976	198	26	438
Longford	14,410	9,335	2,862	1,413	445	84	15	256
Louth	43,897	18,139	12,759	9,763	1,963	411	47	815
Meath	61,922	32,659	17,865	6,104	3,897	534	47	816
Offaly	26,543	15,285	7,124	2,778	628	309	36	383
Westmeath	30,624	15,994	8,563	3,248	1,922	368	41	488
Wexford	52,345	32,119	11,064	6,454	1,467	512	51	678
Wicklow	47,579	21,290	13,959	7,678	3,050	801	74	727
<b>Munster</b>	<b>453,112</b>	<b>228,717</b>	<b>112,050</b>	<b>75,785</b>	<b>22,288</b>	<b>6,590</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>6,874</b>
Clare	42,534	25,180	9,568	5,092	1,569	386	48	691
Cork	187,555	84,204	47,472	38,356	10,963	3,409	415	2,736
<i>Cork City</i>	47,110	5,407	14,670	18,002	6,053	1,714	278	986
<i>Cork County</i>	140,445	78,797	32,802	20,354	4,910	1,695	137	1,750
Kerry	53,088	34,964	9,925	5,180	1,550	637	80	752
Limerick	69,421	31,887	19,142	11,231	4,966	932	116	1,147
<i>Limerick City</i>	22,300	2,414	8,167	7,207	3,296	585	75	556
<i>Limerick County</i>	47,121	29,473	10,975	4,024	1,670	347	41	591
North Tipperary	25,611	16,126	5,593	2,621	599	289	32	351
South Tipperary	32,664	17,896	7,884	5,271	646	419	52	496
Waterford	42,239	18,460	12,466	8,034	1,995	518	65	701
<i>Waterford City</i>	18,199	3,451	6,786	5,600	1,549	341	54	418
<i>Waterford County</i>	24,040	15,009	5,680	2,434	446	177	11	283
<b>Connacht</b>	<b>196,530</b>	<b>126,643</b>	<b>39,317</b>	<b>15,048</b>	<b>9,946</b>	<b>2,492</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>2,800</b>
Galway	88,341	52,524	18,715	7,528	6,707	1,470	144	1,253
<i>Galway City</i>	27,697	5,824	10,321	4,916	5,188	830	92	526
<i>Galway County</i>	60,644	46,700	8,394	2,612	1,519	640	52	727
Leitrim	12,228	9,025	1,901	704	336	83	13	166
Mayo	47,932	33,599	8,624	3,229	1,305	546	42	587
Roscommon	23,601	17,611	4,184	936	379	169	24	298
Sligo	24,428	13,884	5,893	2,651	1,219	224	61	496
<b>Ulster (part)</b>	<b>104,617</b>	<b>70,574</b>	<b>20,515</b>	<b>8,158</b>	<b>2,716</b>	<b>1,021</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1,528</b>
Cavan	25,720	17,319	4,947	2,042	658	215	47	492
Donegal	57,721	39,561	11,516	3,862	1,436	524	34	788
Monaghan	21,176	13,694	4,052	2,254	622	282	24	248
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>699,869</b>	<b>456,651</b>	<b>281,825</b>	<b>149,921</b>	<b>27,666</b>	<b>5,695</b>	<b>27,781</b>

Source: CSO

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**Table 20.2 Number of private households and number of persons in private households in each province, county and city, by type of household, 2011**

Province, county or city	Number of households			Number of persons in households		
	Total	Permanent private	Temporary private	Total	Permanent private	Temporary private
<b>Leinster</b>	<b>897,455</b>	<b>895,149</b>	<b>2,306</b>	<b>2,461,148</b>	<b>2,456,341</b>	<b>4,807</b>
Carlow	19,436	19,365	71	54,187	54,079	108
Dublin	466,992	466,461	531	1,237,934	1,236,518	1,416
<i>Dublin City</i>	208,008	207,847	161	499,659	499,257	402
<i>Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown</i>	75,819	75,786	33	202,594	202,509	85
<i>Fingal</i>	93,146	92,951	195	271,958	271,468	490
<i>South Dublin</i>	90,019	89,877	142	263,723	263,284	439
Kildare	70,763	70,504	259	208,522	208,004	518
Kilkenny	33,679	33,583	96	94,342	94,121	221
Laois	28,020	27,916	104	79,751	79,564	187
Longford	14,453	14,410	43	38,986	38,903	83
Louth	43,972	43,897	75	122,339	122,215	124
Meath	62,201	61,922	279	184,336	183,806	530
Offaly	26,750	26,543	207	76,274	75,875	399
Westmeath	30,739	30,624	115	84,869	84,609	260
Wexford	52,652	52,345	307	144,349	143,799	550
Wicklow	47,798	47,579	219	135,259	134,848	411
<b>Munster</b>	<b>454,454</b>	<b>453,112</b>	<b>1,342</b>	<b>1,137,294</b>	<b>1,133,014</b>	<b>4,280</b>
Clare	42,648	42,534	114	106,683	106,279	404
Cork	188,019	187,555	464	470,219	468,790	1,429
<i>Cork City</i>	47,163	47,110	53	114,698	114,467	231
<i>Cork County</i>	140,856	140,445	411	355,521	354,323	1,198
Kerry	53,306	53,088	218	131,817	131,159	658
Limerick	69,649	69,421	228	178,493	177,683	810
<i>Limerick City</i>	22,367	22,300	67	50,419	50,253	166
<i>Limerick County</i>	47,282	47,121	161	128,074	127,430	644
North Tipperary	25,703	25,611	92	64,356	64,065	291
South Tipperary	32,794	32,664	130	81,366	80,986	380
Waterford	42,335	42,239	96	104,360	104,052	308
<i>Waterford City</i>	18,221	18,199	22	43,577	43,512	65
<i>Waterford County</i>	24,114	24,040	74	60,783	60,540	243
<b>Connacht</b>	<b>197,253</b>	<b>196,530</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>530,252</b>	<b>528,724</b>	<b>1,528</b>
Galway	88,678	88,341	337	243,226	242,454	772
<i>Galway City</i>	27,726	27,697	29	70,918	70,805	113
<i>Galway County</i>	60,952	60,644	308	172,308	171,649	659
Leitrim	12,308	12,228	80	31,556	31,400	156
Mayo	48,070	47,932	138	128,492	128,255	237
Roscommon	23,672	23,601	71	63,311	63,186	125
Sligo	24,525	24,428	97	63,667	63,429	238
<b>Ulster (part)</b>	<b>105,046</b>	<b>104,617</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>292,237</b>	<b>291,528</b>	<b>709</b>
Cavan	25,818	25,720	98	72,625	72,478	147
Donegal	57,964	57,721	243	159,139	158,722	417
Monaghan	21,264	21,176	88	60,473	60,328	145
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,654,208</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>4,800</b>	<b>4,510,409</b>	<b>4,500,569</b>	<b>9,840</b>

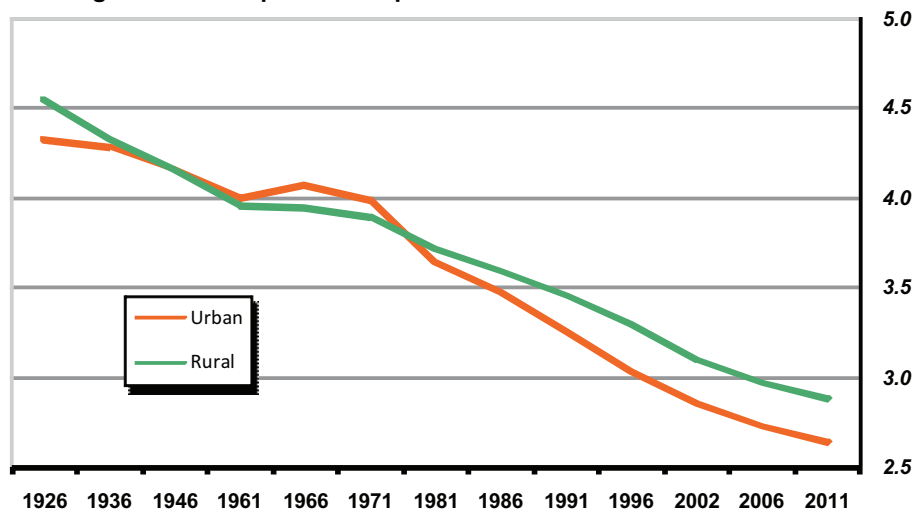
Source: CSO

**Table 20.3 Population in private households in permanent housing units, and average number of persons per private household, 1926-2011**

	Number of private households	Number of persons in private households	Average number of persons in private households
1926	622,678	2,790,581	4.5
1936	647,362	2,791,047	4.3
1946	662,654	2,755,490	4.2
1961	676,402	2,686,301	4.0
1966	687,304	2,754,450	4.0
1971	726,363	2,858,603	3.9
1981	896,054	3,294,213	3.7
1986	976,304	3,442,303	3.5
1991	1,019,723	3,408,651	3.3
1996	1,123,238	3,528,552	3.1
2002	1,279,617	3,770,742	3.0
2006	1,462,296	4,106,753	2.8
2011	1,649,408	4,500,569	2.7

Source: CSO

**Average number of persons in private households**



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**Table 20.4 Number of private households in permanent housing units, by period built and nature of occupancy, 2011**

Types of occupancy	All years	Before 1919	1919-1945	1946-1960	1961-1970	1971-1980	1981-1990	1991-2000	2001-2005	2006 or later	Not stated
Owner occupied without loan or mortgage	<b>566,776</b>	83,183	65,649	67,897	63,498	115,125	72,036	52,060	27,415	13,136	6,777
Owner occupied with loan or mortgage	<b>583,148</b>	30,303	25,420	33,631	26,755	57,615	57,653	113,033	141,761	90,314	6,663
Rented	<b>474,788</b>	34,947	22,716	25,064	23,356	39,980	41,640	72,535	95,885	67,290	51,375
<i>Rented from private landlord</i>	<i>305,377</i>	<i>24,705</i>	<i>13,652</i>	<i>12,558</i>	<i>11,103</i>	<i>17,536</i>	<i>22,152</i>	<i>49,258</i>	<i>69,569</i>	<i>43,676</i>	<i>41,168</i>
<i>Rented from a Local Authority</i>	<i>129,033</i>	<i>3,113</i>	<i>5,294</i>	<i>9,149</i>	<i>9,839</i>	<i>19,242</i>	<i>16,458</i>	<i>17,841</i>	<i>21,018</i>	<i>18,642</i>	<i>8,437</i>
<i>Rented from a Voluntary Body</i>	<i>14,942</i>	<i>619</i>	<i>337</i>	<i>329</i>	<i>370</i>	<i>641</i>	<i>1,027</i>	<i>3,233</i>	<i>3,622</i>	<i>3,866</i>	<i>898</i>
Occupied free of rent	<b>25,436</b>	6,510	3,433	3,028	2,044	2,561	2,003	2,203	1,676	1,106	872
Not stated	<b>24,696</b>	1,506	1,032	1,099	901	1,477	1,084	1,096	1,049	657	14,795
<b>All households</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>149,939</b>	<b>114,817</b>	<b>127,691</b>	<b>114,510</b>	<b>214,197</b>	<b>172,413</b>	<b>238,724</b>	<b>266,110</b>	<b>171,397</b>	<b>79,610</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 20.5 Number of rented private dwellings in permanent housing units, by type of accommodation and weekly rent, 2011**

Weekly rent €	Total	Detached house	Semi-detached house	Terraced house	Flat or apartment in a purpose-built block	Flat or apartment in a converted house or commercial building	Bed-sit	Not stated
Under 25	<b>16,272</b>	2,424	4,955	5,202	2,692	498	164	337
25 - < 50	<b>63,571</b>	7,342	20,346	21,152	11,584	1,093	555	1,499
50 - < 100	<b>84,047</b>	13,255	25,302	23,932	14,054	4,181	1,570	1,753
100 - < 150	<b>94,187</b>	19,923	26,994	16,662	18,461	8,298	2,218	1,631
150 - < 200	<b>84,505</b>	14,761	24,585	12,778	25,552	5,031	381	1,417
200 - < 250	<b>49,431</b>	5,414	12,471	8,778	19,675	2,052	132	909
250 - < 300	<b>23,370</b>	2,546	6,494	4,306	8,806	815	40	363
300 and over	<b>18,874</b>	3,355	4,753	4,159	5,749	663	44	151
Not stated	<b>15,095</b>	2,613	4,236	3,584	2,998	760	203	701
<b>Total</b>	<b>449,352</b>	<b>71,633</b>	<b>130,136</b>	<b>100,553</b>	<b>109,571</b>	<b>23,391</b>	<b>5,307</b>	<b>8,761</b>
Average weekly rent	<b>136</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>123</b>

Source: CSO



**Table 20.6 Number of private households in permanent housing units, by period built and type of central heating, 2011**

Types of central heating	All years	Before 1919	1919-1945	1946-1960	1961-1970	1971-1980	1981-1990	1991-2000	2001-2005	2006 or later	Not stated
No central heating	<b>26,952</b>	8,938	4,131	3,037	1,677	2,482	1,877	1,468	1,198	783	1,361
Oil	<b>711,330</b>	65,676	45,530	48,242	51,583	114,508	84,513	107,157	107,784	67,349	18,988
Natural Gas	<b>550,215</b>	31,179	36,046	51,949	43,456	62,161	46,974	80,687	107,149	66,035	24,579
Electricity	<b>140,419</b>	14,278	6,844	5,749	4,596	6,290	10,428	26,116	31,390	20,250	14,478
Coal (incl. anthracite)	<b>79,145</b>	10,910	9,081	7,748	5,751	12,226	11,358	9,755	6,290	3,319	2,707
Peat (incl. turf)	<b>78,638</b>	11,603	9,908	8,291	5,194	11,741	12,378	8,694	5,644	3,930	1,255
Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG)	<b>10,452</b>	886	455	356	456	1,141	1,624	1,372	2,187	1,704	271
Wood (incl. wood pellets)	<b>21,395</b>	4,768	1,924	1,459	982	2,364	2,131	1,922	1,893	3,590	362
Other fuels	<b>8,524</b>	700	344	291	302	490	426	598	1,514	3,555	304
All types of fuel	<b>1,600,118</b>	140,000	110,132	124,085	112,320	210,921	169,832	236,301	263,851	169,732	62,944
Not stated	<b>22,338</b>	1,001	554	569	513	794	704	955	1,061	882	15,305
<b>All households</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>149,939</b>	<b>114,817</b>	<b>127,691</b>	<b>114,510</b>	<b>214,197</b>	<b>172,413</b>	<b>238,724</b>	<b>266,110</b>	<b>171,397</b>	<b>79,610</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 20.7 Number of private households in permanent housing units, by period built and type of water supply, 2011**

Types of water supply	All years	Before 1919	1919-1945	1946-1960	1961-1970	1971-1980	1981-1990	1991-2000	2001-2005	2006 or later	Not stated
Public mains	1,247,185	97,650	85,081	103,786	96,033	168,877	128,879	187,009	206,465	124,853	48,552
Local authority group scheme	144,428	13,019	10,547	9,775	7,688	18,184	17,252	20,708	25,187	18,071	3,997
Private group scheme	45,774	6,583	4,304	3,219	2,216	5,556	5,669	5,944	6,800	4,883	600
Other private source	161,532	29,896	13,142	9,295	7,200	19,231	18,343	21,325	21,974	18,981	2,145
No piped water	2,080	1,021	444	286	161	–	–	–	–	–	168
Not stated	48,409	1,770	1,299	1,330	1,212	2,349	2,270	3,738	5,684	4,609	24,148
<b>All households</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>149,939</b>	<b>114,817</b>	<b>127,691</b>	<b>114,510</b>	<b>214,197</b>	<b>172,413</b>	<b>238,724</b>	<b>266,110</b>	<b>171,397</b>	<b>79,610</b>

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**Table 20.8** Number of private households in permanent housing units, by period built and type of sewerage facilities, 2011

Types of sewerage supply	All years	Before 1919	1919-1945	1946-1960	1961-1970	1971-1980	1981-1990	1991-2000	2001-2005	2006 or later	Not stated
Public scheme	<b>1,092,418</b>	74,020	71,205	93,368	87,148	145,482	108,027	164,836	189,284	113,097	45,951
Individual septic tank	<b>437,652</b>	68,584	40,001	30,968	24,636	63,706	59,631	62,716	50,011	30,895	6,504
Individual treatment not septic tank	<b>50,259</b>	2,773	1,115	885	737	1,647	1,520	5,380	16,698	19,074	430
Other type of sewerage	<b>9,370</b>	1,094	376	340	271	574	534	1,082	2,590	2,089	420
No sewerage facility	<b>2,555</b>	1,272	511	299	129	–	–	–	1	–	343
Not stated	<b>57,154</b>	2,196	1,609	1,831	1,589	2,788	2,701	4,710	7,526	6,242	25,962
<b>All households</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>149,939</b>	<b>114,817</b>	<b>127,691</b>	<b>114,510</b>	<b>214,197</b>	<b>172,413</b>	<b>238,724</b>	<b>266,110</b>	<b>171,397</b>	<b>79,610</b>

Source: CSO

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**Table 20.9** Number of private households in permanent housing units in each province, county and city, by personal computer ownership and access to the internet, 2011

Province, county or city	Personal computer ownership				Access to the internet			
	Total	Yes	No	Not stated	Yes, Broadband connection	Yes, other connection	No access to internet	Not stated
<b>Leinster</b>	<b>895,149</b>	<b>677,555</b>	<b>197,062</b>	<b>20,532</b>	<b>607,358</b>	<b>65,600</b>	<b>200,718</b>	<b>21,473</b>
Carlow	19,365	13,623	5,266	476	11,158	2,106	5,612	489
Dublin	<b>466,461</b>	361,365	92,841	12,255	339,593	24,082	90,427	12,359
<i>Dublin City</i>	<b>207,847</b>	147,636	53,232	6,979	137,669	11,763	51,454	6,961
<i>Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown</i>	<b>75,786</b>	62,830	11,531	1,425	59,750	3,313	11,276	1,447
<i>Fingal</i>	<b>92,951</b>	78,532	12,413	2,006	73,868	4,820	12,242	2,021
<i>South Dublin</i>	<b>89,877</b>	72,367	15,665	1,845	68,306	4,186	15,455	1,930
Kildare	<b>70,504</b>	56,099	13,117	1,288	50,093	5,562	13,480	1,369
Kilkenny	<b>33,583</b>	24,210	8,806	567	19,816	3,722	9,342	703
Laois	<b>27,916</b>	19,825	7,448	643	16,003	3,403	7,863	647
Longford	<b>14,410</b>	9,395	4,700	315	7,393	1,554	5,090	373
Louth	<b>43,897</b>	31,523	11,373	1,001	27,689	3,263	11,915	1,030
Meath	<b>61,922</b>	48,280	12,510	1,132	41,626	5,805	13,263	1,228
Offaly	<b>26,543</b>	18,041	8,012	490	14,171	3,175	8,598	599
Westmeath	<b>30,624</b>	21,525	8,464	635	17,535	3,470	8,895	724
Wexford	<b>52,345</b>	36,727	14,767	851	29,576	5,839	15,961	969
Wicklow	<b>47,579</b>	36,942	9,758	879	32,705	3,619	10,272	983
<b>Munster</b>	<b>453,112</b>	<b>317,172</b>	<b>126,588</b>	<b>9,352</b>	<b>272,067</b>	<b>39,824</b>	<b>130,703</b>	<b>10,518</b>
Clare	<b>42,534</b>	30,024	11,605	905	25,041	4,149	12,313	1,031
Cork	<b>187,555</b>	134,857	48,762	3,936	119,610	14,182	49,524	4,239
<i>Cork City</i>	<b>47,110</b>	30,792	14,874	1,444	28,724	2,606	14,327	1,453
<i>Cork County</i>	<b>140,445</b>	104,065	33,888	2,492	90,886	11,576	35,197	2,786
Kerry	<b>53,088</b>	35,464	16,601	1,023	28,984	5,457	17,401	1,246
Limerick	<b>69,421</b>	47,869	20,048	1,504	41,222	6,094	20,490	1,615
<i>Limerick City</i>	<b>22,300</b>	14,479	7,167	654	13,175	1,450	7,016	659
<i>Limerick County</i>	<b>47,121</b>	33,390	12,881	850	28,047	4,644	13,474	956
North Tipperary	<b>25,611</b>	17,330	7,782	499	13,454	3,182	8,333	642
South Tipperary	<b>32,664</b>	21,458	10,561	645	17,238	3,549	11,130	747
Waterford	<b>42,239</b>	30,170	11,229	840	26,518	3,211	11,512	998
<i>Waterford City</i>	<b>18,199</b>	12,799	4,897	503	12,081	847	4,732	539
<i>Waterford County</i>	<b>24,040</b>	17,371	6,332	337	14,437	2,364	6,780	459
<b>Connacht</b>	<b>196,530</b>	<b>135,194</b>	<b>57,491</b>	<b>3,845</b>	<b>114,619</b>	<b>18,218</b>	<b>59,347</b>	<b>4,346</b>
Galway	<b>88,341</b>	63,429	23,181	1,731	55,075	8,011	23,423	1,832
<i>Galway City</i>	<b>27,697</b>	20,932	6,054	711	20,174	1,600	5,248	675
<i>Galway County</i>	<b>60,644</b>	42,497	17,127	1,020	34,901	6,411	18,175	1,157
Leitrim	<b>12,228</b>	7,903	4,086	239	6,298	1,231	4,392	307
Mayo	<b>47,932</b>	31,641	15,477	814	26,349	4,504	16,055	1,024
Roscommon	<b>23,601</b>	15,696	7,468	437	12,599	2,494	8,016	492
Sligo	<b>24,428</b>	16,525	7,279	624	14,298	1,978	7,461	691
<b>Ulster (part)</b>	<b>104,617</b>	<b>69,377</b>	<b>33,456</b>	<b>1,784</b>	<b>57,898</b>	<b>9,331</b>	<b>35,328</b>	<b>2,060</b>
Cavan	<b>25,720</b>	17,270	7,905	545	14,250	2,445	8,426	599
Donegal	<b>57,721</b>	37,955	18,805	961	32,293	4,670	19,662	1,096
Monaghan	<b>21,176</b>	14,152	6,746	278	11,355	2,216	7,240	365
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>1,199,298</b>	<b>414,597</b>	<b>35,513</b>	<b>1,051,942</b>	<b>132,973</b>	<b>426,096</b>	<b>38,397</b>

Source: CSO

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**Table 20.10 Occupied and vacant permanent housing units in each province, county and city, by occupancy status on census night, 2011**

Province, county or city	Occupied by		Unoccupied				Total housing stock	Vacancy rate
	Usual resident(s) of the household	Visitors only	Residents temporarily absent	Vacant house	Vacant flat	Vacant holiday home		
<b>Leinster</b>	<b>895,149</b>	<b>4,666</b>	<b>24,429</b>	<b>58,401</b>	<b>36,702</b>	<b>11,555</b>	<b>1,030,902</b>	<b>10</b>
Carlow	19,365	142	456	2,287	632	283	23,165	14
Dublin	466,461	2,982	14,515	17,597	25,333	777	527,665	8
<i>Dublin City</i>	<i>207,847</i>	<i>2,073</i>	<i>7,120</i>	<i>7,995</i>	<i>16,321</i>	<i>322</i>	<i>241,678</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown</i>	<i>75,786</i>	<i>565</i>	<i>2,929</i>	<i>2,746</i>	<i>3,750</i>	<i>120</i>	<i>85,896</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Fingal</i>	<i>92,951</i>	<i>199</i>	<i>2,439</i>	<i>4,070</i>	<i>2,823</i>	<i>311</i>	<i>102,793</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>South Dublin</i>	<i>89,877</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>2,027</i>	<i>2,786</i>	<i>2,439</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>97,298</i>	<i>5</i>
Kildare	70,504	273	1,706	4,432	1,691	188	78,794	8
Kilkenny	33,583	98	700	3,569	654	401	39,005	12
Laois	27,916	75	586	3,277	661	149	32,664	13
Longford	14,410	50	288	3,202	556	317	18,823	22
Louth	43,897	163	894	4,207	1,406	619	51,186	12
Meath	61,922	163	1,439	4,311	1,565	297	69,697	9
Offaly	26,543	87	500	2,858	544	218	30,750	12
Westmeath	30,624	266	848	3,480	1,141	300	36,659	13
Wexford	52,345	235	1,234	5,840	1,574	6,915	68,143	21
Wicklow	47,579	132	1,263	3,341	945	1,091	54,351	10
<b>Munster</b>	<b>453,112</b>	<b>3,438</b>	<b>12,097</b>	<b>54,958</b>	<b>14,120</b>	<b>23,807</b>	<b>561,532</b>	<b>17</b>
Clare	42,534	286	1,014	5,936	1,236	4,610	55,616	21
Cork	187,555	1,270	5,521	20,123	5,864	7,342	227,675	15
<i>Cork City</i>	<i>47,110</i>	<i>478</i>	<i>1,877</i>	<i>3,342</i>	<i>2,766</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>55,633</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Cork County</i>	<i>140,445</i>	<i>792</i>	<i>3,644</i>	<i>16,781</i>	<i>3,098</i>	<i>7,282</i>	<i>172,042</i>	<i>16</i>
Kerry	53,088	665	1,275	9,860	1,657	8,202	74,747	26
Limerick	69,421	723	1,898	7,133	2,528	453	82,156	12
<i>Limerick City</i>	<i>22,300</i>	<i>289</i>	<i>819</i>	<i>1,499</i>	<i>1,764</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>26,681</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Limerick County</i>	<i>47,121</i>	<i>434</i>	<i>1,079</i>	<i>5,634</i>	<i>764</i>	<i>443</i>	<i>55,475</i>	<i>12</i>
North Tipperary	25,611	109	543	3,339	509	679	30,790	15
South Tipperary	32,664	106	597	3,809	571	437	38,184	13
Waterford	42,239	279	1,249	4,758	1,755	2,084	52,364	16
<i>Waterford City</i>	<i>18,199</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>697</i>	<i>1,787</i>	<i>1,454</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>22,341</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Waterford County</i>	<i>24,040</i>	<i>134</i>	<i>552</i>	<i>2,971</i>	<i>301</i>	<i>2,025</i>	<i>30,023</i>	<i>18</i>
<b>Connacht</b>	<b>196,530</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>6,128</b>	<b>35,964</b>	<b>7,041</b>	<b>12,232</b>	<b>259,726</b>	<b>21</b>
Galway	88,341	933	3,082	12,204	3,160	3,457	111,177	17
<i>Galway City</i>	<i>27,697</i>	<i>551</i>	<i>1,652</i>	<i>1,887</i>	<i>1,685</i>	<i>183</i>	<i>33,655</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Galway County</i>	<i>60,644</i>	<i>382</i>	<i>1,430</i>	<i>10,317</i>	<i>1,475</i>	<i>3,274</i>	<i>77,522</i>	<i>19</i>
Leitrim	12,228	103	271	3,463	573	1,490	18,128	31
Mayo	47,932	372	1,258	10,194	1,582	4,454	65,792	25
Roscommon	23,601	109	543	5,630	640	1,062	31,585	23
Sligo	24,428	314	974	4,473	1,086	1,769	33,044	22
<b>Ulster (part)</b>	<b>104,617</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>2,629</b>	<b>19,104</b>	<b>3,766</b>	<b>11,801</b>	<b>142,685</b>	<b>24</b>
Cavan	25,720	124	590	5,325	952	1,000	33,711	22
Donegal	57,721	579	1,622	11,048	2,312	10,636	83,918	29
Monaghan	21,176	65	417	2,731	502	165	25,056	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,649,408</b>	<b>10,703</b>	<b>45,283</b>	<b>168,427</b>	<b>61,629</b>	<b>59,395</b>	<b>1,994,845</b>	<b>15</b>

Source: CSO



