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**Guide
to
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Introduction

Central Statistics Office

The Central Statistics Office (CSO) is the Government agency responsible for the collection and publication of most Irish official statistics.

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Activities: Demographic Statistics

Purpose of Guide

This Guide outlines the services provided and the information published by the CSO, its existing forms of dissemination and other statistical sources.

Confidentiality

All information supplied to the Central Statistics Office is treated as strictly confidential. The information collected is used solely in the compilation of statistics. Under no circumstances are individual returns made available to any Government Department or Agency.

Corporate Plan - Statement of Strategy 2008 - 2010

The Statement of Strategy 2008 - 2010, published in July 2008, is the fifth Corporate Plan produced by the Central Statistics Office. The purpose of the Statement of Strategy is to set out the strategic direction of the CSO until 2010. The Statement of Strategy is available for viewing in our Dublin and Cork Libraries or online at www.cso.ie/aboutus/documents/statementofstrategy2008-2010.pdf. The Progress Report for 2006 has been published and can also be viewed online at www.cso.ie

Customer Service Action Plan 2007 - 2009

The Customer Service Action Plan 2007 - 2009 sets out the Service Standards that we will meet during the lifetime of the plan. The Customer Service Action Plan is available from our Information Section or online at www.cso.ie.

Customer Charter

The Customer Charter sets out our commitments to providing a high quality Customer Service. The Customer Charter is available from our Information Section or online at www.cso.ie.

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National Statistics Board

The Board, whose primary function is to guide the strategic direction of the CSO, publishes five-year strategic plans and annual reports on the progress made by the CSO in implementing these plans. These publications are published online at www.nsb.ie. For further information on these publications or other information relating to the National Statistics Board, please contact the Secretary to the Board (Gerry Brady) at LoCall 1890 313 414, Ext. 4201, email nsb@cso.ie.

Publications and Releases

The CSO disseminates the results of its statistical inquiries in a variety of ways. The most recent results of regular statistical inquiries are immediately announced when they become available (11.00 am on the day of issue). The full version of all statistical releases are simultaneously published on the Internet at www.cso.ie. Some short-term indicators are provided to senior policy officials under embargo conditions on the morning of their public release. In the case of the annual National Accounts estimates, this advance notice is extended to 48 hours.

The main features are also included in the annual *Statistical Yearbook*.

The detailed results of largescale statistical inquiries are published in special reports. These reports together with the monthly *Trade Statistics* may be obtained directly from the CSO or from the Government Publications Sale Office.

Colour Classification of Publications and Releases

The following colour coded covers are used for all publications and releases:—

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Colour</i>
General Publications	Dark Blue
Prices	Light Blue
Industry and Building	Blue
Agriculture	Green
External Trade	Red
Distribution, Transport and Services	Orange
Economy	Violet
Demography and Labour	Yellow
Miscellaneous	Brown

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It is not always practical for the CSO to publish the full range of information and analyses available from statistical inquiries. The specialist requirements of some users may, therefore, not be met by the published releases and reports. To meet these requirements the CSO

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Purchase of Publications - continued

provides, on a fee basis special series and analyses to individual users, tailored to their particular needs. Arrangements also exist whereby the CSO will run computer programs written by specialist users on its computer data files in a manner which preserves the confidentiality of the individual records. A wide range of statistical information is also provided in replies to Parliamentary Questions.

Most Irish statistics are also published with comparable figures for other countries by the Statistical Office of the EU (EUROSTAT) and other international organisations (see Appendix 3).

Electronic Delivery of Statistics

Links to statistical releases on our internet site can be emailed to customers at 11 am on day of release. To avail of this service please contact Information Section at 021 4535011 or by email at information@cso.ie. We will update our distribution lists as requested.

Weekly Announcement

A weekly announcement entitled Weekly Release Calendar is distributed by Information Section each Thursday. It lists the releases and publications due for release in the following week. It may be viewed on www.cso.ie/newsevents/weekly_release_calendar.htm or copies will be provided on request. It is also available on request via our email distribution lists service (see above)

Four Month in Advance Calendar

The four month in advance calendar lists regular Statistical Publications and Releases due for release within the following four months. The calendar is issued by Information Section at the end of each month and may also be viewed on our Internet site www.cso.ie/newsevents/fourmonthcalendar.htm. It is

also available on request via our email distribution lists service (see above)

Internet Site

A broad range of CSO information and statistics is available on the Internet. The full version of all statistical releases is published in PDF format at 11.00 am on the day of issue. They can be accessed through our home page at www.cso.ie. All CSO releases published in electronic format since 1998 are also available on our website. The site contains general statistics and information on many topics under themed headings–

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Business Sectors
Economy
Environment and Climate

In addition to these themed areas there are specialist areas:

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Student's Corner
Latest Releases
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The Office itself (About Us/Contact Us)
Links (to Irish and International Statistical Organisations and other related sites)
Freedom of Information

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IMF Bulletin Board

Ireland subscribes to The International Monetary Fund Special Data Dissemination Standards (SDDS). This involves data dissemination commitments by the Department of Finance, the Central Bank and the CSO.

Sixty four countries subscribe to the SDDS. These countries undertake to make public their practices with regard to publication of statistical data and to adhere to

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stringent standards with regard to timeliness, coverage and periodicity of mainly economic statistics.

The IMF maintains a Bulletin Board on the Internet. Each subscribing country provides metadata, i.e. information about its data, in relation to economic data. The CSO provides this information to the IMF not only on its own behalf but also for the Central Bank and Department of Finance.

The Bulletin Board can be accessed on the IMF website at www.imf.org

Access to CSO Data

All CSO publications may be viewed in our Libraries in Cork and Dublin which are open to the public. Information may also be obtained by phone or by email. Detailed information is published in the annual *Statistical Yearbook of Ireland* and the reports on largescale CSO inquiries. These may be purchased and are generally available in public and Third Level institution libraries. The CSO also maintains a computerised Databank containing its principal economic and social statistics.

CSO Customer Complaints Service

Any member of the public may make a complaint in writing on a matter relating to the Central Statistics Office. The CSO undertakes to review the matter and respond within two weeks of receipt of the complaint.

Any complaint relating to the CSO should be forwarded in writing to Eamonn Dorney, Customer Relations Officer, Information Section, Central Statistics Office, Skehard Road, Cork (email cro@cs0.ie).

Inquiries and Queries

The offices in both Cork and Dublin may be contacted through any of the telephone numbers listed below. Inquiries relating to the following general topics should be made as indicated:

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Detailed external trade statistics	Ardee Road Rathmines Dublin 6	Trade Helpdesk (Ext. 4200)
	email: trade@csso.ie	
Economic and financial statistics	Ardee Road Rathmines Dublin 6	National Accounts (Ext. 4373)
	email: nat_acc@csso.ie	
CSO Database Direct	Skehard Road Cork	Database Direct (Ext. 5649)
	email: databank@csso.ie	
Small area population statistics	Swords Business Campus, Swords Dublin 6	Census Inquiries (Ext. 1460)
	email: census@csso.ie	

Queries relating to specific statistical topics should be addressed to the relevant sections.

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Statistical Yearbook (*annual*)

This yearbook (formerly the Statistical Abstract) is the most comprehensive source of statistical data published in Ireland. It contains not only statistics compiled by the Central Statistics Office, but also a considerable amount of statistical information which is compiled in the course of the administrative work of other Government Departments and State Sponsored Bodies. It also includes an appendix showing statistics relating to Northern Ireland.

The Yearbook is divided into eighteen sections giving detailed information on the following topics:

- Population
- Labour Market
- Vital Statistics
- Health and Social Conditions
- Education
- Justice and Defence
- Economy
- Public Finance and Banking
- Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
- Industry
- Building and Construction
- Services and Distribution
- External Trade
- Tourism Travel and Transport
- Prices
- Earnings
- Housing
- Environment

Retrospective data is given in all sections.

The 2008 issue was published in October 2008. It can also be viewed on our website at www.cso.ie/releasespublications/statistical_yearbook_ireland_2008.htm

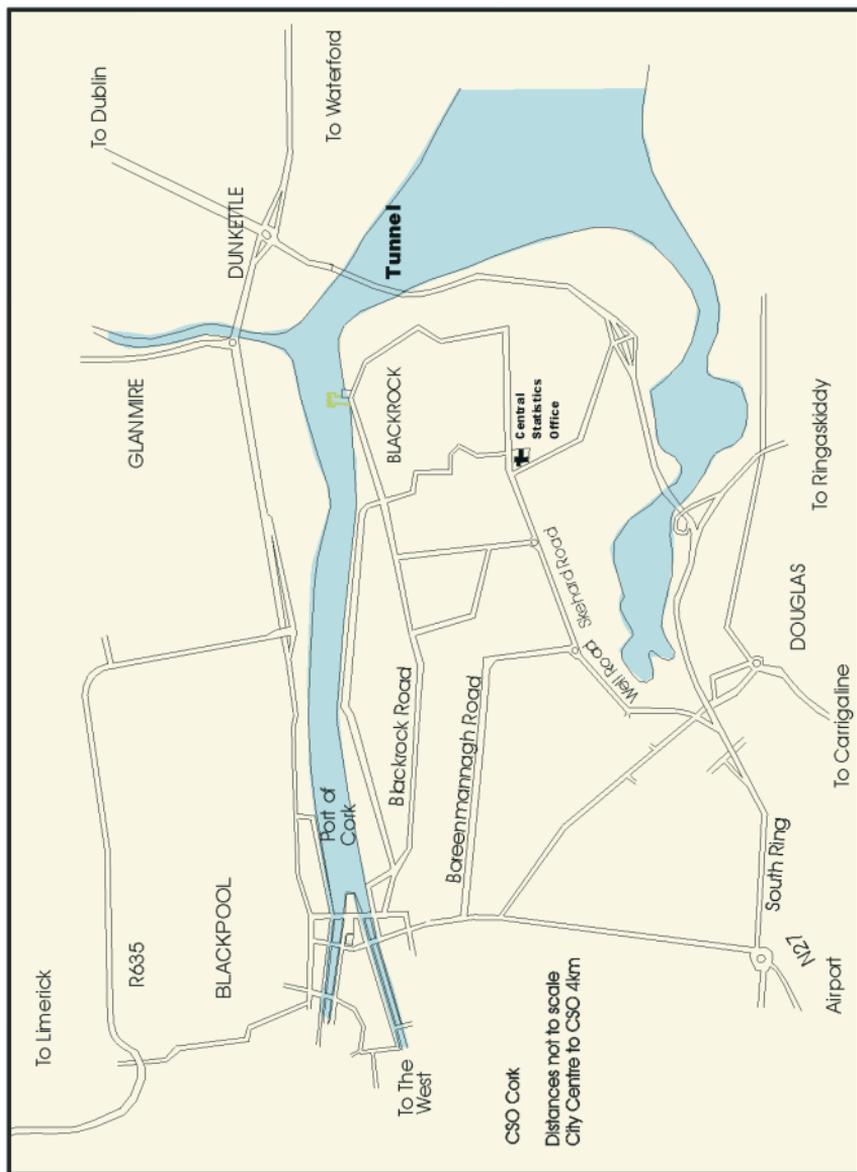
Ireland, North and South: A Statistical Profile

Ireland, North and South: A Statistical Profile is compiled and produced by the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) and the Central Statistics Office (CSO). The Profile draws together official social and economic statistics for both parts of Ireland and tracks change over time. Previous editions were published in 2001, 2003 and 2004. The publication inevitably focuses on the areas where broadly comparable data are readily available. Successive editions of the publication have sought to enhance and expand the policy areas covered by the first edition. The Profile is divided into ten sections giving detailed information on the following topics:

- Population and Vital Statistics
- Housing and Households
- Health
- Education
- Labour Market
- Economy
- Tourism
- Transport and Environment
- Agriculture
- Crime and Justice

The 2008 issue was published in July 2008. It can be viewed on our website at http://www.cso.ie/releasespublications/ireland_statistical_profile_2008.htm

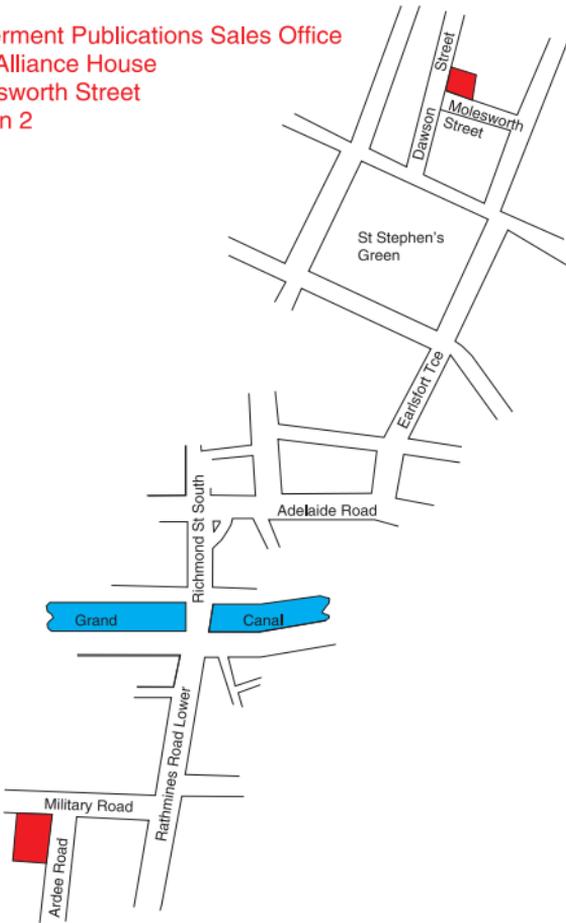
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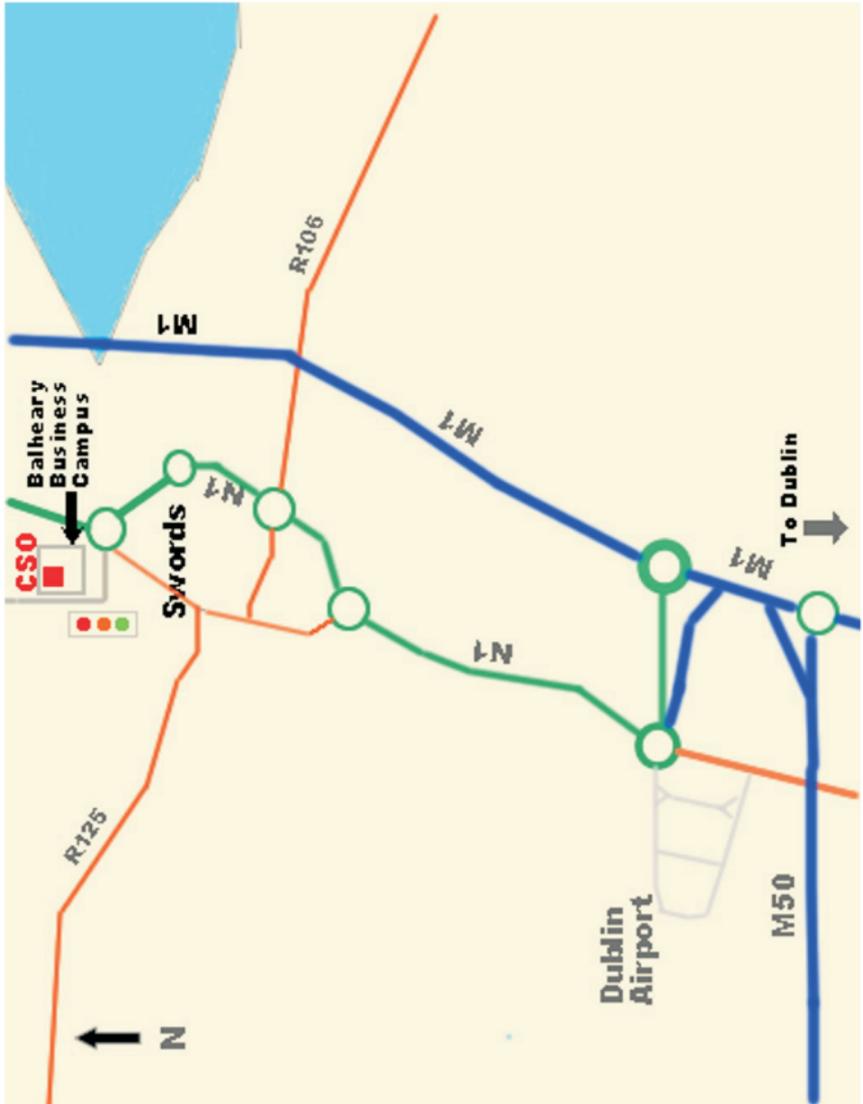
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Census of Agriculture

The first in a long series of annual Censuses of Agriculture, extending in an almost unbroken sequence up to 1953, was taken in 1847. Annual sample enumerations have been held since 1953 along with periodic Censuses which have been undertaken every five years between 1960 and 1980 and approximately every ten years thereafter. The last Census for which detailed results are available was conducted in June 2000. Provisional estimates were published in October 2000 and the detailed report was published in December 2002.

- Publication: Census of Agriculture, 2000:
- Provisional Estimates Release,
October 2000
 - Main Results, December 2002

Farming since the Famine, Irish Farm Statistics, 1847–1996

This publication reviews the areas under crops and the numbers of livestock and agricultural holdings in the State. The crop and livestock series cover the period from 1847 to 1996 while the holdings series are taken from selected years between 1855 and 1991.

Figures for all Ireland and for Northern Ireland are also given.

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Demographic, Social and Economic Situation of the Farming Community - 1991 - Censuses of Agriculture and Population

This publication compares the characteristics of the heads of farm, urban and other rural households and examines the social and employment details of farmers and members of farm and other rural households.

Farm Structure Survey 2007

Farm Structures Surveys are carried out across the European Union every two to three years. Farm Structures Surveys took place in Ireland in 2003, 2005 and 2007. The results of the 2007 Farm Structure Survey was published in December 2008 and present information on crops and horticulture, livestock numbers, agricultural labour input and farm machinery usage on a regional basis.

Publication: Farm Structure Survey 2007.

Crops and Livestock Survey – Provisional Estimates *(annual)*

Provisional estimates of the area in hectares of main crops and numbers of cattle and sheep in June each year are compiled and published with comparative data for the same month of the previous two years. These estimates are available 3–4 months after the survey.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Crops and Livestock Survey *(annual)*

This series contains analyses, by region in alternating years, of land utilisation and numbers of livestock. The results contain final estimates for June of:–

- (i) the area (in hectares) under crops, pasture and other uses;
- (ii) the numbers of cattle, sheep, horses, poultry and pigs.

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Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Area, Yield and Production of Crops *(annual)*

This annual series contains estimates of the area in hectares, yield per hectare and total produce in tonnes of wheat, oats, barley, beans and peas, oilseed rape, potatoes, sugar beet.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Agricultural Labour Input *(annual)*

This annual series contains estimates of the number of farms and labour input on farms based on the June Agricultural Postal Survey.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

December Livestock Survey *(annual)*

Estimates of the numbers of cattle, sheep and pigs are compiled annually in respect of December and published with comparative data for the same month of the previous two years.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Distribution of Cattle, Sheep and Pigs by Size of Herd – December *(biennial)*

The number of agricultural holdings with cattle, sheep or pigs respectively and the numbers of cattle, sheep and pigs classified by size of herd are estimated every second year on the basis of the annual December Livestock Enumeration. The most recent estimates available are for December 2001.

Publication: Biennial Statistical Release

Agricultural Land Sales *(quarterly)*

Agricultural Land Sales data are given in this quarterly series under various headings such as number and size of

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transactions and price per hectare and acre. State figures together with a Regional Authority breakdown are given quarterly.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

Pig Survey *(annual)*

Pig surveys were undertaken in April, August and December up to the end of 1997. From 1998 onwards, the April and August surveys have been dropped and replaced with a June survey. The results provide a basis for the ongoing monitoring of pig production. Estimates are separately provided for breeding and other pigs classified by liveweight.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Estimated Output, Input and Income Arising in Agriculture *(annual)*

Three estimates are prepared for each year and issued in special releases – an advance estimate in December of the reference year, a preliminary estimate in February and a final estimate in June of the following year.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Regional Accounts - Estimated Output, Input and Income arising in Agriculture *(annual)*

Beginning in 2002, an estimate is prepared each year detailing output, input and income arising in Agriculture by NUTS 2 and NUTS 3 region.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Livestock Slaughterings *(monthly)*

These series show the monthly trends in the slaughterings of cattle, pigs and sheep. The data cover slaughterings numbers and weight for both the domestic and export markets.

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Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Supply Balances *(annual)*

These releases reconcile the total supplies of a product with the various uses taking into account changes in stock levels.

Publication: Annual Statistical Releases:

- Meat Supply Balance
- Cereals Supply Balance
- Milk and Milk Products Supply Balance

Milk Statistics *(monthly)*

This release provides figures for milk intake and fat content; sales of milk for human consumption differentiating between whole and skimmed/semi-skimmed milk; and production figures for the main dairy products – butter, cheese and skim milk powder.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Agricultural Price Indices *(monthly)*

This release monitors changes in the prices of agricultural inputs and agricultural outputs. An overall Inputs Index and Outputs Index and a range of sub-indices are compiled. Seasonally adjusted indices for selected items are also presented. The indices are to base 2000. The methodology is described in a release entitled 'Agricultural Prices Indices 1995-2003 (rebased series)'. Comparable series for other EU member states are published by Eurostat.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Preliminary Estimates of Annual Agricultural Price Indices *(annual)*

This series presents estimated annual indices for both Agricultural Input and Output prices.

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Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Fishery Statistics (*annual*)

Figures on sea landings, aquaculture production and inland catches are provided. Analyses of external trade and other fishery statistics are also included.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Income of Agricultural Households in Ireland (*every 5 years*)

This publication uses data collected from the three most recent Household Budget Surveys to give estimates of the overall income situation of agricultural households in Ireland. This income comprises not only income from farming, but also income from other gainful activities, rental income, social transfers and other sources.

Publication: Income of Agricultural Households in Ireland (1994-1995, 1999-2000, 2004-2005)

Building and Construction

Census of Building and Construction *(annual)*

This annual Census covers the activities of firms with 20 or more persons engaged in the private (i.e. non-State) sector of the Building, Civil Engineering and Allied Trades Industry. The results are classified by five NACE groups and relate principally to output, purchases, wages and salaries, and employment.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Earnings and Hours Worked *(quarterly)*

Average hours worked and average earnings per hour and per week of each of the main categories of employee in private sector Building and Construction firms with ten or more persons engaged are given for a specific week in the middle of the last month (March, June, September and December) of each quarter, based on sample returns. The nature and scope of this quarterly inquiry are described in the September 1987 issue of the *Statistical Bulletin*.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

Planning Permissions *(quarterly)*

The number and floor area of planning permissions granted in each county council/city council/town council are compiled each quarter classified by four types of development (new construction, extension, etc.) and eight functional categories (dwellings, commercial buildings, etc).

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

Building and Construction Price Index *(monthly)*

This series is published as a sub-index (Table 3) of the monthly Wholesale Price Index (see page 59). It monitors the monthly changes in the combined costs of building materials and wages.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release
(Wholesale Price Index)

Building and Construction

Building and Construction Materials Wholesale Price Index (*monthly*)

This series is published as a sub-index (Table 3) of the monthly Wholesale Price Index. It measures changes in the prices of building and construction materials. Home produced and imported commodities are covered. A global Materials Index is published and sub-indices are distinguished for fifteen categories of materials. These indices provide only a general indication of price trends in that sector

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release
(Wholesale Price Index)

House Building Cost Index (*monthly*)

This index is compiled and published by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. It monitors monthly changes in the combined costs of house building materials and labour.

Publication: Department of the Environment,
Heritage and Local Government

Index of Employment (*monthly*)

This series measures changes in the employment levels of private Building and Construction firms with 5 or more persons engaged. It is compiled on the basis of the monthly employment levels of sample firms and is aligned with the 1997 Labour Force Survey based estimates of employment. The methodology is described in the September/December 1985 issue of the *Statistical Bulletin*.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

House Completions (*quarterly*)

The number of house completions, distinguishing those built by Local Authorities and the voluntary and co-operative sector, are published on the Data Dissemination Service. This series is updated quarterly.

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The statistics on house completions are compiled by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government and published in its *Quarterly Bulletin of Housing Statistics*.

Publication: www.cso.ie/px
Quarterly Bulletin of Housing Statistics
(Department of the Environment,
Heritage and Local Government)

Number of New Loans Approved (*quarterly*)

These statistics are compiled by the Department of the Environment Heritage and Local Government and published in its *Quarterly Bulletin of Housing Statistics* and on the Database Direct.

Publication: www.cso.ie/px
Quarterly Bulletin of Housing Statistics
(Department of the Environment
Heritage and Local Government)

Survey of Construction (*quarterly*)

This inquiry is used to obtain information on the value of construction work done and the value of new orders received. This new survey will provide quarterly statistics on output in the sector. The first publication on this survey was produced in August 2007.

Publication: Production in Building and Construction Index.

Business Statistics Integration

Information Society and Telecommunications *(annual)*

This annual report, first published in 2003 by the CSO, contains statistics on how Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) are being used in Ireland today, in the home and in business. The latest available information on employment, turnover and value added in the ICT sector in Ireland are presented as well as complementary information on the telecommunications sector. The report draws on the household and enterprise ICT surveys together with a number of existing CSO and administrative data sources. The Information Society and Telecommunications 2006 report was published in December 2006.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Small Business in Ireland *(annual)*

This report was first published in May 2007 by the CSO. The importance of small business in industry, services and construction is analysed and compared. In addition important aspects such as technology, innovation, labour costs, labour market and some international comparisons are included. The data is sourced from a number of CSO surveys as well as from other producers of statistical data. Future editions of the report will include statistics on business demography (e.g. the establishment of new businesses etc.).

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Other Thematic Reports

The Business Statistics Integration division also produces one-off thematic publications on various sectors of the economy. A special report on 'Construction and Housing in Ireland' was published in July 2006. This report presented an overview of the Irish construction industry and included statistics from a number of CSO surveys, statistics from other producers of construction statistics and data from administrative sources. Other publications will be produced on an on-going basis.

Publication: On an ad-hoc basis

Business Statistics Integration

Community Innovation Survey

The Community Innovation Survey (CIS) 2006 is a survey of innovation activities of enterprises in Ireland and other EU Member States. The survey collects information about product and process innovation as well as organisational innovation along with other key variables during the three year period 2004 to 2006 inclusive. Most questions cover new or significantly improved goods or services or the implementation of new or significantly improved processes, logistics or distribution methods. The CIS was previously conducted by Forfás but is now jointly conducted by the CSO and Forfás to increase efficiency in the collection of statistical data and to reduce the burden on the participating enterprises.

Publication: Community Innovation Survey 2004-2006

Crime

Garda Recorded Crime Statistics *(annual)*

The CSO released Garda Recorded Crime Statistics, 2003-2006 in April 2008. This is the first set of crime statistics using the new Irish Crime Classification System (ICCS), published by CSO. The publication gives detailed information on all crime types dealt with by An Garda Síochána for each of the years 2003-2006. It is based, for the most part, on information stored on PULSE (Police Using Leading Systems Effectively). Information is also presented broken down by Garda Region and Garda Division. Details of victim characteristics (such as age and sex) are given. Rates of crime (i.e. numbers of crimes per head of population) are given for various crime types and these are also broken down according to Garda geographic boundaries. Crime types involving weapons, as well as type of weapon and the location type of the crime incidents are also shown. As well as details on the numbers of crime incidents, the publication covers a wealth of other information. This includes detection status of incidents, court proceedings taken and the court outcomes of those proceedings. All information on PULSE can be updated as these proceedings take their course. The report covers only crime incidents which are reported or otherwise become known to the Gardaí. Many crime incidents are dealt with by agencies other than the Gardaí. The ICCS has been developed with this in mind. In the future, it is expected that annual crime statistics will be expanded to cover more non-Garda reported crimes.

Headline Crime Statistics *(quarterly)*

The Headline Crime Statistics release provides figures for the number of headline incidents recorded by An Garda Síochána. Headline incidents are part of the headline/non-headline classification used by the Gardaí since the year 2000, and are grouped under the following headings: Homicides, Assaults, Sexual Offences, Arson, Drugs, Thefts, Burglaries, Robberies, Frauds and Other Headline Offences. Has now been replaced by Recorded Crime release.

Recorded Crime *(quarterly)*

This release, Recorded Crime, replaces the quarterly Headline Crime Statistics release of the Central Statistics Office. This release uses the new Irish Crime Classification System - Quarterly (ICCSq). The ICCSq is a condensed version of the Irish Crime Classification System with elements of Group 4 (*Dangerous or Negligent Acts*), and all of Groups 14 (*Road and Traffic Offences (Not Elsewhere Classified)*) and 16 (*Offences Not Elsewhere Classified*) removed. The data used originate in the Garda PULSE (Police Using Leading Systems Effectively) system. The information supplied in this report refers only to crime incidents known to An Garda Síochana and recorded as such. All data recorded on PULSE have the potential to be revised, and this report is based on data issued on a specific date.

Crime and Victimization

A Crime and Victimization module has been included in the Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) on three occasions: in the fourth quarters of 1998, 2003 and 2006. The module contained over 50 questions on crime-related topics and experiences in the previous 12 months.

It is intended to introduce a separate dedicated Crime and Victimization survey in 2008 that will be repeated at two-year intervals. This will be more comprehensive than the QNHS module and will facilitate the achievement of greater comparability with surveys conducted elsewhere.

Demography

Census of Population – General Details

The Census of Population is the largest statistical inquiry conducted by the Central Statistics Office. Ten-yearly Censuses were undertaken from 1821 until 1911 and, following a break in 1921, were resumed in 1926. Five-yearly Censuses have been undertaken since 1946 with the exceptions of 1976 and 2001. In 1976 the scheduled census was cancelled because of Government economy measures. A census with very restricted content – extending to a small number of questions on the basic demographic details – was held in 1979 to provide up-to-date population information for the use of the Dáil Constituency Commission in redrawing constituency boundaries. The census planned for 29 April 2001 was postponed until 28 April 2002 because of Foot and Mouth Disease.

A census form is delivered to every household and to every other type of location where persons may be present on census night. The questionnaire includes such topics as age, marital status, sex, place of birth, principal economic status, occupation and industry. In years ending in “1” the range of questions is extended to cover housing characteristics such as nature of occupancy of the dwelling, year in which house was built, household heating, water and sanitary facilities, etc.

The processing of the 1.5 million census forms from Census 2006 was completed within one year of the census (i.e. by the end of April 2007). The publication phase has been completed and this comprises traditional publications, along with tables published on the internet using specialised software. This can be accessed on the CSO website at www.cso.ie/census/

2006 Census of Population

A Census of Population was taken on 23 April 2006. The census form contained 34 questions relating to individuals. In addition to the usual demographic questions on age, sex and marital status, topics such as ability to speak the Irish language, usual residence, means of travel to work, education received, occupation, and employment status were also covered. The 2006 Census also included questions on nationality, membership of the Irish Traveller Community, disability, carers, third level qualifications, commuting to school, college or work and a new question on voluntary activities.

Preliminary Results

The Preliminary Report published in July 2006 contained population headcount figures from the census for each province, county, city, urban area, rural area and electoral division. The results were based on summaries returned by each of the 4,400 census enumerators.

Principal Demographic Results

This report gives the final census results for the State as a whole classified by age, sex, marital status, household composition, usual residence and place of birth. It brings together the main tables from the first three volumes of the census report.

Principal Socio-economic Results

This report gives the final census results for the State as a whole for travel patterns, disability, unpaid carers, education, housing characteristics and labour force characteristics. It brings together the main tables from volume 4-13 of the census report.

Volume 1 – Population Classified by Area

This first volume of the detailed census report gives the population classified by sex in each province, county, city, town, district electoral division, urban district, rural district, regional authority area, Gaeltacht area,

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inhabited island, county and borough electoral area and constituency in Ireland.

The following are the detailed subject matter reports which present results at the level of regional authority areas, province, county, city and towns with a population of 1,500 or more.

Volume 2 – Ages and Marital Status

Age, sex, marital status.

Volume 3 – Household Composition, Family Units and Fertility

Household composition for all private households; private households in permanent housing units; private households in temporary housing units; along with family units and family cycle.

Volume 4 – Usual Residence, Migration, Birthplaces and Nationalities

This fourth volume of the detailed census report is in three parts. Part I contains detailed classifications of the population by usual residence at census date and one year prior to census date. Part II contains tabulations according to birthplace, while Part III covers nationality.

Volume 5 – Ethnic or Cultural Background (including the Irish Traveller Community)

This fifth volume of the detailed report contains results relating to rapidly emerging Ethnic and the Irish Traveller Community covering the main demographic and socio-economic topics distinguished in the census.

Volume 6 – Housing

This sixth volume of the detailed report, contains results relating to housing and social amenities for different territorial divisions of the country, and is in two parts. Part I refers to all private households and Part II covers

private households/dwellings in permanent housing units.

Volume 7 – Principal Economic Status and Industries

This seventh volume of the detailed report contains results relating to the population aged 15 years and over classified by principal economic status, ILO economic status, industry and employment status.

Volume 8 – Occupations

This eighth volume of the detailed report contains results relating to the population aged 15 years and over in the labour force classified by occupation. The population is also classified by socio-economic group and social class.

Volume 9 – An Ghaeilge/Irish Language

This ninth volume of the detailed report contains results relating to the population aged 3 years and over classified by ability to speak the Irish Language and frequency of use.

Volume 10 – Education and Qualifications

This tenth volume of the detailed report contains results relating to the population aged 15 years and over classified by age at which full-time education ceased, highest level of education completed and third level qualifications held.

Volume 11 – Disability and Carers

This eleventh volume of the detailed report contains results relating to the disability and carers covering the main demographic and socio-economic topics distinguished in the census.

Volume 12 – Travel to Work, School and College

This twelfth volume of the detailed report contains results relating to means of travel to work, school and college,

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time of leaving home, time taken, distance travelled and the number of cars per household.

Volume 13 – Religion

This thirteenth volume of the detailed report contains results relating to the population classified by religion for different territorial divisions of the country.

2006 Census of Population – Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS)

SAPS for Census 2006 are being made available free of charge through interactive tables on the CSO website. There are two SAPS releases - those based on demographic variables and secondly those featuring Socio-economic variables. Previous SAPS may be obtained from the Central Statistics Office on paper at a charge based on the number of areas requested. SAPS details are also available on a county basis on CD and diskette. The following are the areas for which SAPS are available:

- (i) Electoral Divisions and urban and rural areas of each County and City;
- (ii) Towns with legally defined boundaries;
- (iii) Towns of 1,000 population and over (including suburbs or environs, if any);
- (iv) The total suburbs or environs, if any, of each city or town;
- (v) Where a town of 1,000 population and over is situated in more than one county, separate data is available for the part in each county;
- (vi) Aggregate Town and Aggregate Rural Areas for each County and for the State;
- (vii) Counties, Cities, Provinces and State;
- (viii) Regional Authority Areas;
- (ix) Health Board Areas;
- (x) The Gaeltacht Area of each County;
- (xi) The total Gaeltacht Area of the Country;
- (xii) County and City Electoral Areas;
- (xiii) Constituencies.

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2006 Census of Population – Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS) - continued

The SAPS contain detailed classifications of the majority of the demographic and socio-economic variables covered in the census questionnaire, including:

- the population by age, sex and marital status;
- family units by size and age of youngest child;
- households by type, size and by age, sex and marital status of the head of the household;
- the population aged 15 years and over by principal economic status, age and sex;
- persons at work by sex, employment status and broad industrial group;
- persons at work and unemployed by sex and occupational group;
- persons at work by type of work and sex;
- persons unemployed by age group and sex;
- the population by socio-economic group and social class.

Detailed classifications by means of travel and distance travelled to work, school or college, education and ability to speak Irish are also provided.

Population and Migration Estimates (*annual*)

This release provides annual population estimates classified by five year age groups, sex and marital status for the State and Regional Authority Areas; immigrants by broad age group, sex, country of origin and nationality; emigrants by broad age group, sex and country of origin.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Population and Labour Force Projections, 2011–2041

This report which was published in April 2008, contains projections, based on the 2006 Census of Population, of the:

- population classified by sex and five year age groups for the period 2011 to 2041; and
- labour force classified by age, sex and female marital status for 2011, 2016 and 2021.

Six sets of population projections and two sets of labour force projections are given, corresponding to combinations of assumptions relating to future trends in fertility, mortality, migration and labour force participation. Information at a greater level of detail than that contained in the publication can be downloaded from the CSO web site (see http://www.cso.ie/releasespublications/po_lab_project.htm).

Births, deaths and net migration are analysed by sex only. The detailed projections are provided for the six combinations of fertility and migration assumptions distinguished in the publication.

The previous set of Population and Labour Force Projections referred to the period 2006-2036 and was published in December 2004.

Publication: Population and Labour Force Projections 2011–2041 (latest)

Regional Population Projections 2011-2026

This release contains population projections for the 8 Regional Authority areas for 2011-2026. The assumptions used in relation to regional fertility and mortality trends and international migration to and from each region are consistent with those used at national level. In addition three sets of assumptions have been made concerning movements between regions (inter-regional migration).

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Foreign Nationals: PPSN Allocations and Employment

This release is an analysis of PPSN allocations and employer end-of-year (P35) returns for non-Irish nationals. The figures reveal the extent to which those allocated PPSN numbers took up and retained insurable employment over time. The 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.

Publication: Foreign Nationals: PPSN Allocations and Employment 2007

Census 2006 - Non-Irish Nationals living in Ireland

This report, which is in two parts, gives an overview of the total non-Irish population comparing their characteristics with those of the resident Irish population, and follows this with an in-depth profile of the ten largest nationality groups. These profiles illustrate the diversity that existed among Ireland's non-Irish nationals and highlights the differences among the various groups in their location of residence, their living arrangements, educational attainment and choice of occupation. Using thematic maps, summary tables and graphs throughout, the report presents the geographic, demographic and economic characteristics of these groups.

Publication: Census 2006 - Non-Irish Nationals living in Ireland

Quarterly Report on Vital Statistics

Compiled from data supplied by the Registrar-General, this report contains details of the numbers of births, deaths and marriages registered in each county and city in the relevant quarter. Births are classified according to sex, age of mother at maternity and number of previous children. Deaths are classified by cause, sex and age group. The report for the December quarter includes a summary for the year.

Publication: Quarterly Report
Statistical Yearbook

Annual Report on Vital Statistics

This annual report is one of the principal sources of demographic statistics compiled in Ireland. In addition to aggregates and rates per thousand of population for births, deaths and stillbirths, the report includes detailed analyses and comparisons under numerous headings, e.g. crude and standardised death rates and crude birth rates by county and province, infant mortality rates, natural increase in the population since 1864, deaths by cause, birth and death rates in Ireland and neighbouring countries, etc.

There is an inherent time-lag of at least one year in the publication of the annual report. This is because the underlying recording is based on period of occurrence – a year being the period allowed to register most vital events.

Publication: Annual Detailed Report

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Life Tables *(periodic)*

Life Tables use age-specific mortality and population data to calculate measures of the average life expectancy prevailing at a given time. The latest Life Tables, relating to 2005-2007, were published in a CSO release in 2009.

Publication: Periodical Release

Irish Babies' Names *(annual)*

This release gives the 100 most popular names for boys and girls.

It also gives the top 100 names in alphabetical order and the most popular names in each regional authority. The data is based on an analysis of the first names recorded on birth returns for registration and vital statistics begun by the CSO in 1998.

Publication: Irish Babies' Names (annual release)

Marriages *(annual)*

Marriages registered in each county and city in a year are classified by age, county of residence, occupation and previous marital status of bride and groom, also by type of ceremony.

Publication: Marriages (annual release)

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National Income and Expenditure

(annual)

These annual reports contain the most up-to-date annual official estimates of National Income and Expenditure and incorporate detailed analyses. Estimates are given at both current and constant prices. The details mainly relate to:

- Gross National Product (GNP) and its constituents
- Private and Public Expenditure
- Classification by Purpose of Public Authorities' Expenditure
- Gross National Disposable Income and its uses
- Income and Expenditure of Public Authorities
- Savings and Capital Formation

A Social Protection Account showing the current receipts and expenditure of the nation on social protection together with a functional classification of benefits arising from this expenditure is also provided.

Detailed definitions of the various elements and constituents used are given in the annual report.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release
(First Results)
Annual Detailed Report

Quarterly National Accounts *(quarterly)*

Quarterly national accounts estimates were published for the first time in November 1999. The quarterly release provides estimates of the main aggregates at constant prices for the output and expenditure methods. Estimates at current prices are given for the expenditure method only.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

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Institutional Sector Accounts (Financial and Non-Financial)

The first publication of institutional sector accounts for Ireland was produced in April 2007. Whereas the traditional national accounts, as presented for example in the annual National Income and Expenditure publication, show the results for all the main macro-economic variables for the national economy as a whole, the institutional sector accounts analyse these variables by reference to the sectors that make up the economy (Financial companies, Non-Financial companies, Government, households and Rest of World). Additionally, they present a new set of variables that display the financial operations of each sector, and conclude with a statement of the financial assets and liabilities of each sector.

The results in the first publication were for the years 2002 to 2005 (2001 to 2005 for the financial balance sheets). Annual updates will be issued in future years. As well as expected improvements in the quality of the figures, future work is also expected to lead to additional details, in particular in the financial accounts: results will be produced using a more detailed instrument breakdown (distinguishing long-term and short-term assets, for example), and tables may also be produced on a consolidated sector basis.

Publication: Institutional Sector Accounts (Financial and Non-Financial)
Annual Statistical Release (beginning in late 2007)

Estimated Output, Input and Income arising in Agriculture (*annual*)

See Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

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Balance of International Payments *(quarterly)*

Quarterly estimates of the Balance of International Payments for Ireland are issued in a Statistical Release. The data shown covers the current, capital and financial accounts. The release for the fourth quarter gives preliminary figures for the full calendar year.

The main items of the current account, for which credit and debit flows are shown along with the net balances for certain aggregates, are:

- Merchandise
- Services
- Income
- Current Transfers and further breakdowns of services and income are also provided.

For the capital account, the overall net balance is shown.

The main items covered in the financial account are:

- Direct Investment in Ireland and Direct Investment Abroad
- Portfolio Investment assets and liabilities
- Other Investment assets and liabilities
- Reserve Assets

Compilation of the balance of payments relies principally on a quarterly survey collection system covering the larger enterprises. Data is also collected annually from smaller enterprises. These annual returns as well as late quarterly returns can give rise, along with other factors, to revisions which when statistically significant are incorporated in the standard release tables mid-yearly.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook of Ireland

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Foreign Direct Investment (*annual*)

Annual Foreign Direct Investment statistics for Ireland are issued in a statistical release published each December. These data provide a detailed geographical analysis of direct investment into enterprises located in Ireland by foreign investors and also investment by Irish investors in enterprises located abroad.

Direct investment is a category of foreign investment which reflects the long-term interest of the investor in the direct investment enterprise. It is defined by an equity holding of at least 10% in the enterprise.

Information on inward and outward transactions (i.e. investment flows) and on end of year stocks or positions (i.e. balance sheet data) is shown. In addition, direct investment income flows or transactions – mostly consisting of company profits – are also included. Inward direct investment is categorised as *direct investment into Ireland* while the outward investment is termed *direct investment abroad*.

Apart from a geographical analysis, the data also break down the investment flows according to type of investment i.e. *equity*, *reinvested earnings* and *other capital*. For the positions data, the *equity* and *reinvested earnings* items are combined.

The data is compatible with the corresponding data published in the quarterly Balance of International Payments Release and in the annual International Investment Position Release. They are compiled using a comprehensive quarterly survey collection system which is designed to meet the relevant international statistical standards. This collection and compilation system covers all types of economic transactions with non-residents as well as end-period investment positions/stocks. Late and amended returns as well as other factors can give rise to revisions which, when statistically significant, are published in the following release.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook of Ireland

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Resident Holdings of Foreign Portfolio Securities

(annual)

Annual data on investment by Irish residents in foreign financial securities is published each September in a statistical release. These figures provide a detailed geographical (i.e. country) analysis of the end-year stock (i.e. balance sheet data) of Ireland's investment in equity and debt securities issued by non-residents.

Investment in *equity* in this instance excludes individual investor holdings of 10% or more of the voting capital – this is categorised as *direct investment* and is published separately (see Balance of International Payments Release, Foreign Direct Investment Release and International Investment Position Release). Debt securities cover *bonds and notes* (having an original maturity period of over 1one year) and *money market instruments* (having an original maturity period of one year or less).

These data are compatible with the corresponding data being submitted annually to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) as a consequence of Ireland's participation in the IMF's world-wide Co-ordinated Portfolio Investment Survey. The figures are also compatible with the corresponding stocks data published in the annual International Investment Position Release. They are compiled using a comprehensive quarterly survey collection system which is designed to meet the relevant international statistical standards. This collection and compilation system covers all types of economic transactions with non-residents as well as end-period investment positions/stocks. Late and amended returns as well as other factors can give rise to revisions which, when statistically significant, are published in the following release.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

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External Debt (*quarterly*)

Estimates of Ireland's External Debt are published at the end of each quarter in a statistical release. These figures show the end-quarter stocks (or balance sheet positions) of non-equity liabilities of Irish residents to non-residents.

The data distinguish the short-term and long-term non-equity liabilities of the following institutional sectors:

- General Government
- Monetary Authority (i.e. the Central Bank and Financial Services Authority of Ireland)
- Monetary Financial Institutions (i.e. licensed credit institutions and certain money market funds)
- Other Sectors.

Also included are the non-equity liabilities of resident direct investors to their foreign affiliates and of direct investment enterprises to their foreign direct investors.

Where appropriate, short-term financial instruments cover trade credits, money market instruments, and loans and deposits where the original maturity period is of 1 year or less. Long-term instruments cover bonds and notes, loans and other debt liabilities having an original period to maturity of more than 1 year.

The figures are compiled using a comprehensive quarterly survey collection system which is designed to meet the relevant international statistical standards. This collection and compilation system covers all types of economic transactions with non-residents as well as end-period investment positions/stocks. The data published are compatible with the corresponding stocks data published in the annual International Investment Position Release. Late and amended returns as well as other factors can give rise to revisions which, when statistically significant, are published in the following release.

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Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

Service Exports and Imports *(annual)*

A new annual series of service exports and imports statistics was introduced on 18 May 2006. This release covered the two years 2003 and 2004. The data for 2005 (along with revisions for 2004) were released on 28 February 2007. The figures show exports and imports values for 17 service components along with the net balances. Geographical breakdowns showing selected countries and economic zones are also given for each component and for total services. In addition, total service exports and imports are shown for all countries (apart from immaterial amounts).

The data is compatible with the corresponding data published in the quarterly Balance of International Payments Release. They are compiled using a comprehensive quarterly survey collection system which is designed to meet the relevant international statistical standards. Late amended returns from survey respondents as well as other factors can give rise to revisions which are published in the following release.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

International Investment Position Statistics *(annual)*

Annual estimates of Ireland's stocks of foreign financial assets and liabilities are provided in a statistical release published each September. The data presented concern the economy's end of year balance sheet (at 31 December each year) in relation to foreign assets and liabilities and represent that element of Ireland's aggregate balance sheet which shows Irish residents' financial claims (assets) on non-residents along with their financial obligations (liabilities) to non-residents.

As for the related balance of payments statistics published in a quarterly statistical release, the international investment position statistics distinguish Ireland's foreign assets and liabilities according to the

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different types of investment:

- Direct Investment
- Portfolio Investment
- Other Investment
(including financial derivatives)
- Reserve Assets

Further breakdowns are provided by type of financial instrument:

- equity
- bonds
- money market instruments
- loans, deposits, etc.

and, where relevant, distinguishing institutional sector:

- General Government
- Monetary Authority (i.e. the Central Bank and Financial Services Authority of Ireland)
- Monetary Financial Institutions (i.e. licensed credit institutions and certain money market funds)
- Other Sectors

IFSC and non-IFSC activity is also shown. In addition, a reconciliation between the opening and closing stock positions and the annual balance of payments flows is given.

The information required is collected on a statutory basis by means of surveys of financial and non-financial enterprises and from administrative data provided by official authorities. The larger enterprises report quarterly while the smaller ones report annually. Late and amended returns as well as other factors can give rise to revisions which, when statistically significant, are published in the following release.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook of Ireland

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Supply and Use and Input-Output Tables

The Supply and Use tables provide, for the agricultural, industrial and services sectors of the economy, the value of the various goods and services produced by each sector; and the use or purchase by each sector of goods and services. They also show the amount of profits and wages and salaries for each sector.

The input-output tables estimate, for each product (goods or services), the goods and services used in its production as well as the profits and wages and salaries arising from its production. Some ancillary technical tables are provided, such as the direct input coefficients and the Leontief inverse. Recent publications are in respect of the years 1998, 2000, 2001 and 2002.

Publication: Periodical Publication

County Incomes and Regional GDP (*annual*)

This release provides estimates of household incomes by county and of GDP by region (ie. the eight regional authority regions). Total income and disposable income are provided as well as indices of total and disposable income per person for each county. The components of income (ie. compensation of employees, self employed income, rent, interest and dividends and social transfers) are shown as is the amount of taxes paid to arrive at disposable income.

The value added to the economy generated in each region is shown in the Regional GDP section. Estimates are provided of the value added by the three main sectors (ie Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Manufacturing, Building and Construction; Market and Non Market services). Indices of gross value added per person in each region are compared with the state and EU average.

Publication: Annual Release

Economic and Financial Statistics

Public Finance *(quarterly)*

Details of

- total exchequer revenue receipts,
- total exchequer expenditure,
- current budget balance and
- exchequer balance.

Details available electronically through CSO's Database Direct Dissemination Service

www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/database/eirestat/Financial%20Indicators.asp

Price Index of Ordinary Stocks and Shares *(monthly)*

The ISEQ index measures the change in the prices of equities quoted on the Irish Stock Exchange. It is calculated and published once per minute during the Stock Exchange trading day (08.00 - 17.15).

Details available electronically through CSO's Database Direct Dissemination Service

www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/database/eirestat/Financial%20Indicators.asp

Monetary Series *(monthly)*

Details of

- official external reserves,
- total currency in circulation at bank return dates,
- private sector credit of all credit institutions,
- Irish contribution to Euro money supply:
 - M1 narrow money,
 - M2 intermediate money,
 - M3 broad money.

Details available electronically through CSO's Database Direct Dissemination Service

www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/database/eirestat/Financial%20Indicators.asp

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Interest Rates *(monthly)*

Interest rates are published for each of the following:

- European Central Bank - Marginal Lending Rate
- House Purchase Loans - Average Variable Mortgage Interest Rate at End of Period
- Building Society Mortgage Loans (representative rates)
- Interbank Market rate, three month fixed.

Details available electronically through CSO's Database Direct Data Dissemination Service
www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/database/eirestat/Financial%20Indicators.asp

Government Securities Yields:

- 10 year bond yield

Details available electronically through CSO's Database Direct Data Dissemination Service
www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/database/eirestat/Financial%20Indicators.asp

Exchange Rates *(monthly)*

Monthly averages are given for:

- Pound Sterling per euro
- US Dollar per euro
- Pound Sterling per IR £ (to December 2001 only)
- US Dollar per IR £ (to December 2001 only)
- Deutsche Mark per IR £ (to December 1998 only)
- Effective Exchange Rate Index (to December 1998 only).

Details available electronically through CSO's Database Direct Dissemination Service
www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/database/eirestat/Financial%20Indicators.asp

Environment

Environmental Accounts for Ireland

Official estimates of Irish air emissions are compiled and published by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The aim of the CSO publication (Environmental Accounts for Ireland) is to further attribute air emissions to economic sub-sectors rather than the physical processes that generate the emissions.

The Environmental Accounts break down the contribution to emissions to air of carbon dioxide (CO₂), nitrous oxide (N₂O), methane (CH₄), sulphur dioxide (SO₂), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) and ammonia (NH₃) by the various activities in the economy including agriculture, energy generation, industry, transport, services and the residential sector. They provide a link between individual economic activities and the resultant pressures on the environment.

Publication: Annual Release

Household Budget Survey

Largescale National Survey (*every 5 years*)

The Household Budget Survey is a large-scale national representative survey of all households in the State. It is carried out every five years and approximately 8,000 households, selected at random, participate in the survey. Estimates are provided for average weekly household income and expenditure, accommodation facilities and other miscellaneous items classified by various household characteristics such as size, composition, gross income levels, location etc.

One of the most important purposes of the survey is to ensure that the Consumer Price Index, which is the official measure of inflation, continues to be based on up-to-date household expenditure patterns.

Previous HBS surveys were undertaken in respect of the periods 1973, 1980, 1987, 1994/95 and 1999/2000. The most recent survey was undertaken in the period 2004/05 and the final results from this survey were released in December 2007.

Results have been published on a harmonised presentation basis by EUROSTAT for the Household Budget Surveys independently undertaken by EU Member States during the periods 1978-80, 1987, 1994/95 and 1999/2000.

Publications: Household Budget Survey 2004-2005:
Preliminary Results
Household Budget 2004-2005:
Final Results

Industry

Census of Industrial Production (*annual*)

The annual Census of Local Units with three or more persons engaged is a longstanding inquiry which provides detailed information on the structure and production activity of the industrial sector. The Census was first undertaken in 1926 and 1929, and has been undertaken annually since 1931. Approximately 5,000 local units are currently surveyed each year. (Prior to the 1991 Census the reporting unit was the industrial establishment). The annual results for each sector were previously published in successive issues of the *Statistical Bulletin*. A series of annual reports was inaugurated with the 1979 Census. These reports incorporate detailed analyses by size, region, etc. which were previously published only at lengthy intervals.

An annual Census of Industrial Enterprises with three or more persons engaged has also provided additional information since 1975. (The Censuses prior to 1991 covered only enterprises with 20 or more persons engaged). This supplementary inquiry focuses on the trading dimensions – i.e. turnover, purchases, labour costs, etc. of firms. The results of this Enterprise inquiry are also included in the series of annual reports.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release
– Early Estimates
Annual Detailed Report

Information Society Statistics (*annual*)

This annual report, first published in 2003 by the CSO, contains statistics on how Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) are being used in Ireland today, in the home and in business. The report draws on the household and enterprise ICT surveys together with a number of existing CSO data sources. The enterprise survey of e-commerce covers enterprises with ten or more persons engaged in industry and a wide range of services sectors. The Information Society and Telecommunications Statistics 2006 report was published in December 2006.

Industrial Production and Turnover Indices *(monthly)*

These indices monitor current trends in the volume of production and changes in the level of sales of industrial products for industrial establishments with three or more persons engaged. Seasonally adjusted and unadjusted indices are published for various industrial sectors and groupings.

Equivalent indices are compiled by all EU Member States and are published by EUROSTAT.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Electricity – Output (giga watt hours) day ESB generating stations *(monthly)*

Details are available electronically the Database Direct CSO www.cso.ie/px

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Industrial Employment *(quarterly)*

This series provides estimates of total employment in industrial establishments with three or more persons engaged. Provisional results, based on partial response generally become available within three months of the reference quarter and final results after a further three months.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

Industrial Earnings and Hours Worked *(quarterly)*

This series provides estimates of average gross earnings and average hours worked by industrial workers in both absolute and index form (distinguishing adult males and females).

A series dealing with trends in managerial and clerical workers earnings is also provided. Provisional results based on partial response, become available within three months of the reference quarter and final results after a further three months.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

Industrial Productivity Indicators *(quarterly)*

Indices of unit wage costs, output per person and output per man-hour for manufacturing industry.

Details available electronically through Database Direct CSO (www.cso.ie/px)

Capital Goods Price Index for Industry *(monthly)*

This series is a sub-index (Table 4) of the monthly Wholesale Price Index. It measures price changes in transportable capital goods distinguishing for industry between private and commercial vehicles.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release
– (Wholesale Price Index)

Output Price Index for Manufacturing Industries *(monthly)*

This series is part (Table 2) of the Wholesale Price Index. It measures changes in output prices for 33 sectors of Manufacturing Industry. Indices for equivalent sectors for all EU countries are published by EUROSTAT.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release
– (Wholesale Price Index)

Wholesale Price Index for Energy Products Purchased by Industry *(monthly)*

This series is part (Table 5) of the Wholesale Price Index. Five different categories of energy products are distinguished, four of which are various petroleum fuels.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release
– (Wholesale Price Index)

Industry

PRODCOM Product Sales *(annual)*

The CSO conducts an annual product sales inquiry covering all manufacturing enterprises with three or more persons engaged. Entitled the PRODCOM Inquiry it is based on questionnaires issued to firms seeking information on the value and volume of all products manufactured and sold by the enterprise. These details are then classified by reference to a product classification called the PRODCOM list. The first set of results covering the calendar year 1994 were published in December 1997. The most recent publication, Prodcum 2003, was published in March 2005.

Publication: Annual Detailed Report

Industrial Stocks *(quarterly)*

This quarterly analysis provides estimates, by NACE Division, of changes in the levels of stocks held in Industry. The details are broken down into the following components: materials and fuel; work-in-progress goods; finished goods; and goods purchased for resale. This analysis complements the quarterly Capital Assets in Industry series.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook

Capital Assets in Industry *(quarterly)*

This quarterly analysis provides estimates, by NACE Division, of acquisitions and disposals of capital assets in Industry. In the case of acquisitions, the details are broken down into the following components: machinery and equipment; land and buildings; computer hardware and software; and vehicles and other equipment. This analysis complements the quarterly Industrial Stocks series.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook

Labour

Quarterly National Household Survey - QNHS

The Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) is the definitive source of data on employment and unemployment. This survey began in September 1997, replacing the Labour Force Survey which had been conducted at two-year intervals from 1975 to 1983 and each year from April 1984 to 1997.

Like the old Labour Force Survey, the QNHS provides a comprehensive breakdown of employment and unemployment, including classifications by age group, sex, marital status, region, sector of employment, occupation, duration of unemployment etc. The results are presented using the internationally comparable ILO labour force definitions and are compiled in accordance with the requirements of EU Council Regulation 577/98.

The main quarterly report from the QNHS is published three months after the end of the reference quarter. The survey also includes modular social topics and these results are published in special thematic reports.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release:
Quarterly National Household Survey

The table below outlines the social modules published to date in the QNHS

Reference

Quarter	Social module
Q3 2007	Health status and health service utilisation
Q2 2007	Union membership
Q1 2007	Work-related accidents and illness (Q1 2003-Q1 2007)
Q1 2007	ICT (information and communications technology) household survey
Q4 2006	Crime and victimisation
Q3 2006	Sport and physical exercise
Q1 2006	ICT household survey

Q4 2005	Pension provision
Q4 2005	Special Saving Incentive Accounts (SSIAs)
Q3 2005	ICT household survey
Q3 2005	Recycling and energy conservation
Q2 2005	Reconciliation between work and caring responsibilities
Q2 2005	Educational attainment
Q1 2005	Childcare
Q4 2004	Equality
Q3 2004	ICT household survey
Q2 2004	Union membership
Q2 2004	Work organisation and working time
Q4 2003	Crime and victimisation
Q3 2003	Housing and households
Q3 2003	ICT household survey
Q2 2003	Life long learning
Q4 2002	Childcare
Q3 2002	Teleworking
Q4 2005	Pension provision
Q4 2005	Special Saving Incentive Accounts (SSIAs)
Q3 2005	ICT household survey
Q2 2005	Educational attainment
Q1 2005	Childcare
Q4 2004	Equality
Q3 2004	ICT household survey
Q2 2004	Union membership
Q2 2004	Work organisation and working time
Q4 2003	Crime and victimisation
Q3 2003	Housing
Q3 2003	ICT household survey
Q2 2003	Life long learning
Q4 2002	Childcare
Q3 2002	Teleworking
Q3 2002	Voter registration and participation

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Q2 2002	Disability in the labour force (Annual update Q1 2004)
Q1 2002	Pension provision (Annual update Q1 2004 and Q1 2005)
Q3 2001	Health
Q2 2001	Length and pattern of working time
Q4 2000	Home computing
Q2 2000	Transition from school to working life
Q1 2000	Travel to work
Q1 1999	Recycling and energy conservation
Q4 1998	Crime and victimisation
Q3 1998	Home computing
Q3 1998	Housing and households

Social modules yet to be published:

Reference

Quarter	Social module
Q2 2006	Transition from work into retirement
Q3 2006	Social participation
Q1 2007	Annual modules update
Q2 2007	Educational attainment
Q1 2008	Working conditions and agency work
Q1 2008	Annual modules update

EU Survey on Income and Living Conditions – EU-SILC (*annual*)

The EU Survey on Income and Living Conditions (EU SILC) which began in June 2003, is a voluntary (for potential respondents) survey of private households. The survey is carried out under EU legislation (Council

Regulation No 1177/2003). It is an annual survey to obtain information on the income and living conditions of different types of households. The survey also provides information on poverty, deprivation and social exclusion with particular focus on indicators such as the at risk of poverty rate and the consistent poverty rate. A representative random sample of households throughout

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EU-SILC (annual) continued**

the country is approached to provide the required information. Data is required in both cross-sectional (pertaining to given time in a certain time period) and longitudinal (pertaining to individual-level changes over time) dimensions. Information is collected continuously throughout the year, with up to 130 households surveyed each week to give a total sample of 6,000 to 7,000 households in each year. The information is collected on laptop computers, using Computer- Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) software.

The main annual EU-SILC report is published 11 months after the end of the reference year. Additional social modules and thematic releases will also be included from the reference year 2005 onwards.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Labour Costs Survey

Labour Costs Surveys were carried out for distribution, credit and insurance sectors in 1974, for the industrial sector in 1975 and for all four of these sectors in respect of 1978, 1981, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996 and 2000. Coverage was extended to include the business services sector and travel agents for the 1992 and 1996 surveys. The 2000 survey was further extended to include hotels and restaurants, transport and storage, communications and an extension of the financial sector. The 2004 survey included the entire public sector and private sectors of the economy, excluding the agriculture, hunting, and forestry and fishing sectors. The 2004 survey was published in December 2006.

Publication: Labour Costs Survey 2004

Earnings, Hours and Employment Costs Survey

The Earnings, Hours and Employment Costs Survey (EHECS) which began in Quarter 4 2005 is a quarterly survey which produces information on labour costs. In

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addition to covering earnings and employment costs the survey covers over items such as labour turnover and job vacancies. The survey at present covers the manufacturing and financial intermediation sectors but will in time be extended to include the entire public sector and private sectors of the economy, excluding the agriculture, hunting, and forestry and fishing sectors. The first results were published in August 2007.

The Survey is compulsory under the Statistics (Labour Costs Surveys) Order 2006, (S.I. No. 331 of 2006), European Communities (Statistics) (Labour Costs Surveys) Regulations 2006 (S.I. No. 354 of 2006), Council Regulation (EC) No. 450/2003 and Council Regulation (EC) No. 530/1999.

The National Employment Survey

The National Employment Survey (NES) is an annual workplace survey conducted by the CSO. The survey results cover the entire economy excluding only agriculture, forestry and fishing. The purpose of the NES is to provide economy wide earnings data, examining the distribution of employee earnings and factors which affect earnings such as gender, occupation, education etc.

The NES replaces the Structure of Earnings Survey (SES), which had been conducted periodically to fulfil EU requirements. The SES was first conducted for the year 1979. It covered a sample of persons employed by large firms (i.e. those with 10 or more persons employed) in the industrial, distribution, credit and insurance sectors. The SES was expanded over the years to include additional sectors of the economy. The last SES, for the year 1995, was conducted during the course of 1996.

The first NES, covering the year 2002, has already been undertaken and the results were published in May 2006. The 2007 survey is currently at the data collection stage.

Live Register Statistics *(monthly)*

Live Register statistics are compiled from returns made by the local offices of the Department of Social and Family Affairs. The Live Register is not a measure of the absolute level of unemployment but is, rather, an indicator of short-term trends. The level of unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Live Register Analysis *(monthly)*

This analysis was introduced in April 2002. Up to and including March 2002, the Live Register monthly statistics were released using three separate publications; the Live Register Statement, Flow and Area Analysis.

This release provides both seasonally adjusted and unadjusted data on the number of males and females registered at Local Employment Offices on the last Friday of each month, distinguishing persons aged under 25 and 25 years or over. Some details are provided on Unemployment Benefit (UB) claimants, Unemployment Assistance (UA) applicants and Other Registrants.

A seasonally adjusted standardised unemployment rate (SUR), which is in line with international statistical methodology, is also published on a monthly basis. This unemployment rate is based directly on the Labour Force Survey/Quarterly National Household Survey results for April and is updated monthly by the short-term Live Register trend.

This monthly publication also contains information for each Local Employment Office which shows the number on the Live Register classified by sex and whether under or over 25 years of age. This information had previously been included in the monthly Live Register Area Analysis.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook (each issue).

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Live Register Age-by-Duration Analysis (*bi-annual*)

This analysis classifies the number of males and females on the Live Register by age group and duration of continuous registration. The analysis is carried out half-yearly in April and October and separate information is provided for Unemployment Benefit claimants, Unemployment Assistance applicants and others.

Publication: Bi-annual Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook (each issue)

Industrial Disputes (*quarterly*)

Statistics on industrial disputes are compiled each quarter giving the number of disputes, the number of firms involved, number of workers involved and the number of days lost.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook (each issue)

Consumer Price Index *(monthly)*

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is compiled in respect of the second Tuesday of each month. The results are published approximately four weeks later. This index is the official measure of inflation. The index measures the change in the average level of prices paid for consumer goods and services purchased by Irish households and by foreign tourists on holiday in Ireland. Separate indices are also provided for the CPI excluding mortgage interest repayments, CPI excluding Housing, CPI excluding Tobacco, CPI excluding Energy Products, the twelve main groupings of consumer goods and services, energy, alcohol, tobacco and utilities and mortgage interest.

The methodology of the current series will be published in the December 2006 CPI Introduction to Series. Consumer price indices for comparable groupings of goods and services are published by EUROSTAT for all EU Member States.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices *(monthly)*

The Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) is compiled in respect of the second Tuesday of each month. The results are published approximately four weeks later. This index is used for international comparisons in the context of evaluating the convergence of inflation rates for EMU. The methodology of the HICP is broadly the same as the National CPI, however the basket of goods is restricted and excludes items such as mortgage interest repayments, building materials and motor taxation. In addition the definition of insurance (motor and house) differs from the definition used in the CPI. At present approximately 10% of the items in CPI basket are excluded from the HICP.

The methodology of the current series will be published in the December 2006 CPI Introduction to Series.

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Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices - continued

Harmonised indices of Consumer prices are published by EUROSTAT for all EU Member States.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Constant Tax Price Index *(monthly)*

This special index is published in conjunction with the CPI. It is derived from the Consumer Price Index by excluding price movements due to changes in indirect taxation since the CPI base period. It can be used in conjunction with the CPI to determine how much of the overall price change in any period is due to indirect taxation and how much is due to all other factors.

Area Average Price Analysis, Dublin and Outside Dublin

This is an additional analysis deriving from the price data collected for the CPI. The publication presents a comparison of average prices for Dublin and Outside Dublin for a range of 73 goods and services

Publication: Biannual statistical release

Import and Export Price (Unit Value) Indices *(monthly and annual)*

Unit Value Price Indices are compiled similarly to regular price indices such as CPI except that instead of "pricing" on a monthly basis in the shops, the price is taken at commodity level from the trade data itself. In other words a unit value price at commodity level is obtained by dividing the value of the goods traded in the period by the corresponding quantity.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Releases:

– External Trade

Monthly Publication:

– Trade Statistics

Agricultural Prices *(monthly)*

See Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

Average Agricultural Price Index *(monthly)*

See Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

Price Index of Ordinary Stocks and Shares *(monthly)*

This monthly index is compiled by the Stock Exchange and measures the change in the prices of ordinary stocks and shares quoted on the Irish Stock Exchange at 4.30 p.m. on the first working day of the month.

Details available electronically through Database Direct CSO www.cso.ie/px

Wholesale Price Index *(monthly)*

The Wholesale Price Index measures the monthly change in the wholesale prices (excluding VAT) of different categories of goods. The following price index series are distinguished:

- (1) General Wholesale Price Index relating to domestically produced (i.e. agriculture and industry) and imported goods;
- (2) Output price indices for manufacturing industries (33 NACE sectors distinguished);
- (3) Wholesale price indices for building and construction materials (15 categories of materials distinguished);
- (4) Capital goods price indices (distinguishing agriculture, industry and other sectors);
- (5) Wholesale price indices for energy products purchased by Manufacturing Industry (5 types of energy products).

The index methodology is described in the April 2003 publication “Wholesale Price Index - Introduction of Updated Series, Base Year 2000 = 100”.

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Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Services (including Distribution)

Retail Sales Index (*monthly*)

This series measures changes in both the value and volume levels of retail sales on a seasonally adjusted basis for 13 types of retail businesses, for all businesses excluding garages, all businesses combined and various other combined groups. The methodology of the current series is available on the CSO website (www.cso.ie). Indices for comparable business sectors are published by EUROSTAT for EU Member States. Details of the seasonally adjusted value and volume indices are on the CSO website (www.cso.ie)

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Census of Services (including Distribution)

Censuses of Distribution covering all Retail and Wholesale Establishments were undertaken in respect of the years 1933, 1951, 1956, 1966, 1971 and 1977. These Censuses provide information on the number of establishments, turnover, purchases, stocks, persons engaged and wages and salaries for various Retail and Wholesale business descriptions classified by size, legal status, geographic area, etc. Retail results are given for individual towns with 1,000 or more inhabitants.

A Census of Services was held in 1988. This Census covered the Distribution Sector and all other Service Sectors excluding the Financial Sector and the Public Sector. Information similar to that collected in previous Censuses was sought for the Distribution Sector.

Details of the type of business conducted and of the numbers of persons engaged was collected in respect of the Non-Distribution Services Sector.

Publication: 1988 Census of Services:
Three Detailed Reports

Services (including Distribution)

Annual Services Inquiry

This is a structural survey of the Irish Services sectors providing estimates of accounting and employment variables based on a sample survey of Services firms.

Annual postal surveys are carried out covering samples of approximately 20,000 Services Enterprises with follow up visits by Field Officers.

Results cover Annual Turnover, Purchases, Stocks, Capital Expenditure/Disposal and Employment/Earnings estimates for detailed categories of Retail and Wholesale trade.

Similar estimates are available for selected non-distributive Services sectors. Results are given broken down by Employment and Turnover based size classes, but at a less detailed level.

Data is also provided at regional level and basic e-commerce activity is also included.

Publication: Annual Services Inquiry 2006

Banking, Insurance and Building Societies – Employment and Earnings (*quarterly*)

This series started in March 1988. Originally employment, average gross earnings and indices of average gross earnings (base March 1988 = 100) were published for three major sectors. Results generally become available about three months after the reference quarter. From June 2002, because of changes in the structure of the sectors, estimates for the Banking and Building societies have been combined. From March 2003 only estimates for the overall Banking, Insurance and Building Societies Sector are available. Retrospective estimates back to March 1988 are available on request.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

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Public Sector Employment and Earnings *(quarterly)*

The Public Sector Employment and Earnings series started in March 1988. Employment details are provided for seven major sectors. Average weekly earnings are provided for six major sectors. An index (base March 1988 = 100) of average weekly earnings is also produced. Results generally become available four months after the reference quarter.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

International Sourcing - The Movement of Irish Business Activity Abroad

The CSO released a new publication on International Sourcing in Ireland for the period 2001 - 2006. The purpose of the survey was to establish data on the movement of Irish business activity abroad during the reference period 2001-2006 and to further establish enterprises' future plans for the period 2007-2009. It provides evidence and information on the level, patterns and impacts of international sourcing for the Irish economy.

Publication: International Sourcing – The Movement of Irish Business Activity Abroad

Earnings in Distribution and Business Services *(quarterly)*

This Quarterly series shows the average weekly earnings of full-time employees in the Distribution and Business Services sectors. Details are provided for a sample of enterprises in the Distribution sector (Nace Divisions 50 to 52) and the Services sector (Nace divisions 55, 60 to 64 and 70 to 74).

The series are derived from quarterly postal inquiries covering samples of approximately 9,000 Distribution and Services enterprises.

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Earnings in Distribution and Business Services

(quarterly) - continued

The survey collects details of the number of full-time employees and their total wages and relates to a week in the months of March, June, September and December. The release does not cover part-time employees or enterprises with less than 5 persons engaged.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook

Family Business in Ireland - Services Sector 2005

The report Family Business in Ireland is the first time official statistics for Family Businesses have been published for Ireland. The report presents a comprehensive picture of the contribution of family businesses to the traded services sectors in Ireland for 2005, highlighting their contribution to the economy and employment. The performance of family and non-family businesses are compared for the key economic variables across a number of classifications - sectors, regions, size classes, legal forms and nationality of ownership.

Publication: Family Business in Ireland – Services Sector 2005

Continuing Vocational Training Survey

The continuing vocational training survey release presents the results of the third Continuing Vocational Training Survey (CVTS3), a survey of the enterprise training of their staff. The survey was conducted as part of the National Employment Survey. The survey covered all enterprises which had 3 or more employees in 2005 in the following sectors; industrial, construction, distribution, hotels & restaurants, transport, storage and communications, financial intermediation, business services, public administration and defence, education, health and other community, social and personal service activities. The next Continuing Vocational Training Survey is due for release in 2011.

Publication: Continuing Vocational Training Survey 2005

Equality in Ireland

The social partnership agreement 2003-2005¹ requested the CSO to support a move towards more evidence-based policy-making. Responding to this request, the National Statistics Board (NSB) asked the CSO to prepare a social indicator report covering all aspects of social statistics. The NSB placed considerable emphasis on the value of disaggregating the social indicators by key characteristics such as the nine equality grounds² named in equality legislation. The CSO agreed with the Board a strategy of producing a series of key thematic social indicator reports that would be structured around the nine equality grounds.

The thematic report Equality in Ireland provides a broad analysis of the economic and social situation of people in Ireland using the nine equality grounds as a means of analysing their situation and quality of life. The report builds upon earlier CSO thematic reports which have been very widely welcomed by many users and our intention is to continue by publishing further reports on individual grounds and areas of interest to policy-makers.

Producing the individual ground reports is quite a lengthy process. By looking across the nine grounds in one report, we have accelerated the availability of cross-cutting thematic data to users, and also provided users with an opportunity to identify indicators of particular interest so that these could be given more attention in more specific reports. We have particularly looked at the demographic, employment and education domains. It is hoped that a cross-ground analysis of these domains will bring issues to the fore that are less visible in individual ground reports.

1 Department of the Taoiseach (2003): Sustaining Progress, Social Partnership Agreement 2003-2005.

2 The nine grounds of unlawful discrimination named in equality legislation are: Gender, marital status, family status, age, disability, race, sexual orientation, religious belief and membership of the traveller community

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Equality in Ireland - continued

The European Commission designated 2007 as 'European Year of Equal Opportunities for All' as part of a concerted effort to promote equality and non-discrimination in the EU. The European Year was the centrepiece of a framework strategy designed to ensure that discrimination is effectively tackled, diversity is celebrated and equal opportunities for all are promoted. This was also a key stimulus for the CSO to produce this report. The report and indicators were selected by the CSO in close collaboration with the Equality Authority, who are an independent body set up under the Employment Equality Acts 1998 and 2004. This Act and the Equal Status Acts, 2000 to 2004 outlaw discrimination on the nine distinct grounds used in this report.

The report is composed of overview tables (Section 1) and tables on each of the nine grounds (Sections 2 to 10). Section 1 places eight of the nine grounds specified under Irish equality legislation in context, with tables relating to the sexual orientation ground being dealt with specifically in Section 5. These main tables benchmark the position in Ireland and identify areas where particular groups will be more affected by policy changes and developments. The tables in Section 1 are presented under the domains of Population, Employment, Education, Accommodation and Discrimination.

Sections 2 to 10 examine each of the nine equality grounds in more detail. In most cases the set of indicators describing each ground is preceded by an overview table in which these data are disaggregated by other equality grounds.

This report draws heavily on the results from Census 2006. Hence it is anticipated that this new report will become a regular release from the CSO following each Census.

The 2007 issue was published in November 2007. It can be viewed at:

<http://www.cso.ie/releasespublications/equalityinireland2007.htm>

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Regional Quality of Life (every 5 years)

This publication is one of a series of social indicator reports compiled by the Social Statistics Integration Division and is the first to focus on regional quality of life in Ireland.

The report contains information based on the following domains: Population; Housing; Lifestyles; Transport and Travel; Health and Care; Education; The economy; And the environment.

The information is structured by the eight NUTS3 regions – Border, Midland, West, Dublin, Mid-East, Mid-West, South East and South West - as well as counties where available.

The indicators have been compiled by the CSO but survey and administrative data from government departments and state agencies have also been used.

Publication: Regional Quality of Life in Ireland

National Disability Survey 2006 – First Results

In 2004, the Irish Government decided that the Central Statistics Office (CSO) would conduct a National Disability Survey (NDS) after the 2006 Census of Population. The main purpose of the NDS was to establish the severity and impact of disability.

The NDS questionnaires were based on the *social model of disability* which defines disability as the outcome of the interaction between a person with an impairment and the environmental and attitudinal barriers s/he may face.

This first set of results from the NDS focuses on the nine disability types examined in the NDS and mainly address the topics of prevalence and type of disability; level of difficulty experienced in everyday activities due to disability; use of and need for disability specific aids; age of onset of disability; and causes of disability.

Publication - Post-Census Survey

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Measuring Ireland's Progress

The social Partnership agreement 2003-2005¹ requested the CSO to support a move towards more evidence-based policy-making by developing a set of national progress indicators. In its report, *Developing Irish Social and Equality Statistics to meet Policy Needs*, the NSB asked the CSO to prepare a preliminary national progress indicators report². The NSB reiterated the need for a key national progress indicators report in its *Strategy for Statistics 2003-2008*³. The Board requested that the selected indicators should be consistent with international statistical concepts and facilitate international benchmarking.

In response to this request, a preliminary set of national progress indicators was published in December 2003. Volume 1 of the report presented the selected indicators in both a national and international context. Volume 2 gave an overview of existing national and international reports and provided a context for the initial selection of indicators. An updated set of national progress indicators was published in March 2005, June 2006 and April 2007.

In the 2006 report, a total of 110 indicators covering 49 domain themes were selected. Over 57 per cent of these relate principally to social domains, reflecting the emphasis on societal outcomes as the ultimate aim of policy measures. The other indicators cover the economy, innovation and the environment.

Most indicators are presented in both a national and an international context. The national context is generally in a time series format while the international context compares Ireland principally with other EU countries. The national and international data sources are given for each indicator. Most of the national data are compiled by the CSO. The appendices describe the indicator definitions and data sources in greater detail.

1 Department of the Taoiseach (2003): Sustaining Progress, Social Partnership Agreement 2003-2005.

2 Recommendation 10.

3 NSB (2003), Strategy for Statistics, 2003-2008, Stationary Office, Dublin.

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Measuring Ireland's Progress - continued

Domains in the report: Economy
Innovation and technology
Employment and unemployment
Social cohesion
Education
Health
Population
Housing
Crime
Environment

The 2007 issue was published in June 2008. It can also be viewed on our website at:

<http://www.cso.ie/releasespublications/measuringireland/progress2007.htm>

Women and Men in Ireland

The social partnership agreement¹ 2003-2005 requested the CSO to support a move towards more evidence-based policy-making. Responding to this request, the National Statistics Board (NSB) asked the CSO to prepare a social indicator report covering all aspects of social statistics. The NSB placed considerable emphasis on the value of disaggregating the social indicators by key characteristics such as the nine equality grounds⁴ named in equality legislation. The CSO agreed with the Board a strategy of producing a series of key thematic social indicator reports that would be structured around the nine equality grounds.

4 The nine grounds of unlawful discrimination named in equality legislation are: Gender, marital status, family status, age, disability, race, sexual orientation, religious belief and membership of the traveller community.

The CSO produced an initial gender report in December 2004. Update reports were produced in December 2005 and December 2006. A total of 77 indicators have been selected. These indicators have been presented across 8 domains. Key EU gender policy indicators have been

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brought together in the first domain. This policy domain includes high priority indicators that would otherwise have been included in the more general domains such as employment and unemployment.

Most indicators are presented in both a national and international context. The national context is generally in a time series format while the international context compares Ireland with other EU countries and additional countries.

The appendices describe the indicator definitions and data sources in greater detail. The national and international data sources are given for each indicator. While many of the national data are compiled by the CSO, we have also used survey and administrative data holdings held by Government departments and agencies whenever appropriate and possible.

Domains in the report: EU Council Policy Indicators
Population
Employment
Social cohesion and lifestyles
Education
Health
Crime
Transport

The 2007 issue was published in December 2007. It can also be viewed at:

http://www.cso.ie/releasespublications/women_and_men_in_ireland_2007.htm

Ageing in Ireland

The social partnership agreement 2003-2005 requested the CSO to support a move towards more evidence-based policy making. The National Statistics Board further requested that the CSO provide a comprehensive set of social indicators with emphasis on disaggregation by key characteristics such as the nine equality grounds of which age is one. The first set of social indicators published by the CSO focussed on the theme of gender. This second

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social indicators report takes the issue of ageing as its focus. It is intended to publish further reports on themes such as equality, regional variation of quality of life, childhood and disability.

The selection of indicators for this report was influenced by existing international research and consultation with national bodies concerned with the topic of ageing. In practice, the actual choice of indicators was constrained by a lack of reliable and regular data in some areas of significant policy and user interest. The domains and themes used in future reports will be developed as more data become available on issues such as pensions, transport and time-use.

A total of 48 indicators have been selected and presented across 5 domains. Most indicators are presented in both a national and international context, the latter comparing Ireland with EU and additional countries.

Domains in the report: Population
Health and care
Accommodation
Economic situation
Lifestyles

The appendices describe the indicator definitions and data sources in greater detail. The national and international data sources are given for each indicator. While many of the national data are compiled by the CSO, survey and administrative data holdings held by Government departments and agencies, wherever appropriate and possible, have also been used.

The 2007 issue was published in August 2007. It can be viewed on the CSO website at:

<http://www.cso.ie/releasespublications/ageinginireland2007.htm>

Tourism & Travel

Tourism and Travel (*annual*)

This annual series provides estimates of the number of visits, average length of stay and expenditure by overseas visitors to Ireland and by Irish residents travelling overseas. The estimates are principally derived from a continuous sample survey of passengers conducted by CSO staff at airports and seaports.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook of Ireland

Tourism and Travel (*quarterly*)

This quarterly series gives details on the number of visits by overseas visitors to Ireland and by Irish residents travelling overseas for the quarter. It includes data on the reason for journey, average length of stay, expenditure, and accommodation used by visitors to Ireland.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release

Household Travel Survey (*quarterly*)

This quarterly series details trips by Irish residents involving overnight stays away from home in Ireland, Northern Ireland or overseas. It includes data on gender, age, reason for journey, region visited, region departed, type of accommodation used and expenditure.

Publication: Quarterly Statistical Release
Statistical Yearbook of Ireland

Air Traffic Statistics (*monthly*)

Details are available for each month on outward and inward passenger movement by air through Dublin, Cork and Shannon airports.

Details are available electronically through Database Direct www.cso.ie/px

Passenger Movement by Sea *(monthly)*

Details of outward and inward passenger movement by sea are compiled each month.

Details are available electronically through Database Direct www.cso.ie/px

Cross Border Passenger Movement *(monthly)*

This monthly series gives details of passenger movement by rail and scheduled road omnibus services to and from Northern Ireland.

Details are available electronically through Database Direct www.cso.ie/px

Tourism Trends *(annual)*

The Tourism Trends thematic report pulls together tourism information from a variety of sources including, but not limited to, different survey sources within the CSO, Fáilte Ireland and Eurostat. A broad collection of data on tourism is included to provide an overview of available data, which we hope to build on in the coming years. It is intended that this will become an annual publication that can be used as a reference by individuals and organisations with an interest in tourism.

Publication: Tourism Trends 2007

Trade

Trade Statistics (*monthly*)

Detailed information is available on the quantity and value of imports and exports classified by commodity and country.

Before 1993 these statistics were compiled almost entirely from customs declarations. With the abolition of frontier controls at the end of 1992, this source ceased to be available for the movement of goods between EU Member States. Statistics of trade with non-EU countries have not been affected, since customs declaration are still used for these transactions.

To maintain intra-EU trade statistics, a new EU-wide monthly survey (called Intrastat) of larger traders was introduced in January 1993.

Provisional aggregates are firstly issued in a monthly release before the detailed statistics (SITC 5 digit) are issued in the Trade Statistics publication (approx. 3 weeks after the release).

The monthly release contains total import and export data for all countries, both EU and Non-EU. In addition, summary commodity and country analyses are provided together with cumulative data for the year to date and for the corresponding period of the previous year.

The most detailed published trade statistics appear in the monthly *Trade Statistics* publication. This includes

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details of imports and exports classified by commodity and country.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Releases
– External Trade
Monthly Publication
– Trade Statistics
Statistical Yearbook

Availability of Detailed Trade Statistics

Publication of the trade data at the Combined Nomenclature (CN) level of detail (8 digit) is not a realistic option. However, this information is readily available and trade data by partner country and commodity can be purchased from the Trade Helpdesk in spreadsheet or text electronic formats. Information in hardcopy format can also be purchased although this may take some time depending on the volume of information required. All customer requests can be communicated by e-mail, telephone or post using the various contact points listed below. In addition, personal callers to the office can be facilitated between the hours of 10.00 - 12.30 and 14.30 - 16.45).

Postal address:
Trade Help Desk
Central Statistics Office
Ardee Road
Rathmines
Dublin 6

Phone: LoCall 1890 313 414,
(01) 498 4000 or (021) 453 5000, ext 4200.
Fax: (01) 498 4240
email: trade@cso.ie

Availability of Trade Statistics compiled by EU Countries

The CSO Trade Section can provide details of Intra-EU trade for all EU member states at CN commodity level.

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This data can also be obtained from the Eurostat website on www.epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/

Road Freight Transport Survey *(annual)*

This sample survey covers a random sample of about 40,000 goods vehicles and provides annual estimates of Road Freight activity of all goods vehicles registered in Ireland with an unladen weight greater than 2,000 kg. Details of activity are given for vehicles of different size, ownership, age, etc. Freight tonnage moved between the planning regions is also provided. In addition, the results provide details of the size and configuration of the goods vehicle fleet.

Publication: Annual Detailed Report

Statistics of Port Traffic *(annual)*

The results of this inquiry provide information for each Port on the number of arrivals, gross tonnage of trading and passenger vessels, the weight and category of goods carried, number of livestock handled, and details of the type of traffic (roll-on/roll-off, lift-on/lift-off etc.).

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Vehicles Licensed for the First Time *(monthly)*

This monthly analysis provides details on the number of private cars, goods vehicles, motor cycles and other vehicles licensed for the first time in each licensing authority classified by make and size. In addition, details on the number of vehicles by taxation class by quarter and year are also included in this release.

Publication: Monthly Statistical Release

Vehicles Licensed for the First Time *(annual)*

This annual analysis provides details of vehicles licensed for the first time in each licensing authority during the year classified by taxation class, make and size. Retrospective details are also provided of the number of vehicles licensed for the first time in each of the previous ten years.

Publication: Annual Statistical Release

Transport

Transport Omnibus *(annual)*

This annual thematic publication provides a summary of a broad range of Irish transport statistics produced by both CSO and other bodies. This includes data on Vehicle Licensing and Registrations, Driver and Vehicle Testing, Penalty Points, Road Safety, Road Freight, Aviation, Maritime and Public Transport.

Publication: Annual Thematic Publication

Other Information Services

Availability of Small Area Statistics

The Census of Agriculture and the Census of Population, by virtue of their comprehensiveness both in terms of content and geographical coverage, are sources of very detailed statistics at sub-national levels including district electoral divisions and counties.

While all these details are not formally published, photocopies of summary abstracts or computer printouts are provided on request on a fee basis. This information can also be provided on electronic media.

In all cases, the statistics provided are aggregates of a sufficient number of returns to ensure the confidentiality of individual information. These small area statistics are widely used by Local Authorities, county and other regional bodies, researchers, etc.

Provision of Special Analyses

A considerable volume of ad-hoc analyses not incorporated in published reports are provided on a fee basis on request; for example, from the Vital Statistics, Census of Population, Labour Force Surveys, Farm Structure Surveys (conducted periodically in conjunction with the annual June Survey of Crops and Livestock), Household Budget Surveys, etc.

Research Support

It has always been CSO policy to support research bodies and individual researchers. Anonymised micro data from the Quarterly National Household Survey, Household Budget Survey and the Census of Population are available to bona fide researchers. Requests for this information should be made to the Irish Social Science Data Archive. They can be contacted online at <http://www.ucd.ie/issda>

Other Information Services

Research Support - continued

Information is also available from:

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Trade Help Desk

Trade statistics provide a wealth of information ranging from aggregates such as total imports and exports to the most detailed statistics at commodity by country level. Apart from the regular published results, detailed commodity results are disseminated by electronic means, by diskette or hard copy, as required by clients.

Phone: LoCall 1890 313 414

(01) 497 7144 or (021) 453 5000, ext. 4200

Fax: (01) 496 4240

email: trade@cso.ie

Census Inquiries

Detailed inquiries on demography may be addressed to the Census Inquiries Section in the Dublin office. Population details by age, sex, marital status, occupations, education, Irish speakers, household composition, etc. are published in detailed volumes of the Census. Small Area Population Statistics (SAPS) see page 32.

Phone: LoCall 1890 313 414

Census Inquiries, ext. 1460/61/63/66

email: census@cso.ie

Other Information Services

Information Service

The CSO operates an Information Service in the Cork office which welcomes queries from the public.

Phone: LoCall 1890 313 414
Information Section, ext. 5028, 5015
email: information@cs0.ie

Bloomberg

The principal headline figures are available on Bloomberg screen page ICSO <GO>

Reuters

The principal headline figures are also available on Reuters screen, pages STA1, STA2, STA3, STA4, STA5, STA6, STA7, STA8, CSOK, CSOL and CSOM.

Other Information Services

CSO Library

The main Library is located in the Cork Office. The CSO Library contains an extensive up-to-date collection of statistical and economic publications, including those of international organisations (i.e. EU, OECD, UN, ILO, FAO). A large selection of statistical publications and yearbooks of other countries (e.g. all EU member States, other European countries, Canada, USA, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Japan, China, etc.) is also available for consultation. A number of statistical, economic and other journals are stocked as are the annual reports of Government Departments and state sponsored agencies.

A Library service is also provided in the Dublin office. All CSO publications are available as well as a selection of publications from other Government Departments. Publications from the principal international statistical organisations, (i.e., EUROSTAT, OECD, U.N. and IMF) are also available.

The Cork library is open to the public from 9.30 to 12.45 and 2.30 to 4.45 Monday to Friday. The library in our Dublin office is open from 9.30 to 5.00 Monday to Friday and is closed for lunch each day from 1.00 to 1.30. Loan arrangements are available only to other libraries and Government Departments. A photo-copying service is provided at a nominal charge for visiting readers. The Library is used extensively by students and researchers.

Statistical Publications of International Organisations

Various international organisations, e.g. the EU Statistical Office (EUROSTAT), the UN Statistical Office, FAO, OECD, ILO, etc. issue a variety of statistical publications which are valuable sources of comparable statistics for Ireland and other countries.

Other Information Services

Statistical Publications of International Organisations - continued

The publications of EUROSTAT contain a wide range of statistics relating to individual Member States and other countries (e.g. USA, Japan). In most instances they provide Community statistics on a comparable basis and, in many cases, relate to EU-wide surveys conducted on a harmonised basis by the Member States. In a few instances, EUROSTAT reports contain particular Irish results of particular EU surveys or Irish aspects of such surveys which may not have been incorporated in the corresponding national publications.

The publications of the international organisations may be consulted in the CSO Library. The regular statistical publications of EUROSTAT, OECD and UN are listed for reference in Appendix 3. Information on these publications may be obtained from the relevant organisations at the contact points shown below.

Publications Section
Government Supplies Agency
51-52 St. Stephen's Green
Dublin 2

Phone: (01) 647 6000
Fax: (01) 647 6844

Commission of European Communities
Public Information Centre
European Union House
18 Dawson Street
Dublin 2

Phone: (01) 634 1111
Fax: (01) 634 1112
email: eu-ie-info-request@ec.europa.eu

Other Information Services

Statistical Publications of International Organisations - continued

OECD Publications Service
2, Rue André – Pascal
F-75775 Paris CEDEX 16
France

Phone: 00–331–45248200
Fax: 00–331–45248500
email: webmaster@oecd.org
Internet address: www.oecd.org

United Nations Economic Commission for
Europe (UNECE)
Palais des Nations
CH–1211 Geneva 10
Switzerland

Phone: 00–4122–9171234
Fax: 00–4122–9170505
email: info.ece@unece.org
Internet address: www.unece.org

UN publications may be purchased from:

Government Publications Sale Office
Sun Alliance House
Molesworth Street
Dublin 2
Phone: LoCall 1890 213 434

EUROSTAT publications may be purchased from:

Alan Hanna Bookshops
270 Rathmines Road Lower
Dublin 6
Phone: (01) 496 7398
Fax: (01) 496 0228
Email: hannas@iol.ie

Other Information Services

EUROSTAT and OECD also maintain computerised Statistical Databanks which may be accessed under commercial arrangements. For information on EUROSTAT Databanks a guide is available in the CSO Library.

Appendix 1

Regular CSO Statistical Releases

The results of regular CSO inquiries are announced once they become available.

All statistical releases are issued at 11.00 am. The full version of all statistical releases is available on our Internet site (www.cso.ie) at 11.00 am on the day of publication.

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Internet address: www.cso.ie

The Statistical Releases issued by the CSO are listed below.

Agriculture

Output, Input and Income in Agriculture:

- Advance Estimate (Annual)
- Preliminary Estimate (Annual)
- Final Estimate (Annual)

Regional Accounts: - for Agriculture(Annual)

Crops and Livestock Survey:

- Provisional Estimates (Annual)
- Final Results (Annual)

Livestock Survey – December (Annual)

Pig Survey – June (Annual)

Livestock Slaughtering (Monthly)

Agricultural Price Indices (Monthly)

Preliminary Estimates of Annual Agricultural price Indices (Annual)

Agriculture – continued

- Meat Supply Balance (Annual)
- Milk and Milk Products Supply Balance (Annual)
- Cereals Supply Balance (Annual)
- Agricultural Labour Input (Annual)
- Milk Statistics (Monthly)
- Agricultural Land Sales (Quarterly)
- Earnings of Agricultural Workers (Triennial)
- Fishery Statistics (Annual)
- Size of Herd (Biennial)
- Area, Yield and Production of Crops (Annual)

Building and Construction

- Census of Building and Construction (Annual)
- Earnings and Hours Worked in Construction (Quarterly)
- Index of Employment in Construction (Monthly)
- Planning Permissions (Quarterly)
- Survey of Construction (Quarterly)

Business statistics Integration

- Community Innovation Survey

Crime

- Headline Crime Statistics (Quarterly)
- Crime and Victimization, Quarterly National Household Survey

Demography

- Population and Migration Estimates (Annual)
- Irish Babies' Names (Annual)
- Irish Life Tables
- Marriages (Annual)
- Regional Population Projections

Economic and Financial

- Balance of International Payments (Quarterly)
- International Investment Position (Annual)
- County Incomes and Regional GDP (Annual)
- Quarterly National Accounts (Quarterly)
- External Debt (Quarterly)
- Resident Holdings of Foreign Portfolio Securities (Annual)

Appendix 1

Economic and Financial - continued

Foreign Direct Investment (Annual)
Service Exports and Imports (Annual)
National Income and Expenditure (Annual)

Industry

Census of Industrial Production
– Provisional Overall Results for Local Units and Enterprise
– Early Estimates
Industrial Employment (Quarterly)
Industrial Earnings and Hours Worked (Quarterly)
Industrial Production & Turnover (Monthly)
Industrial Stocks (Quarterly)
Capital Assets in Industry (Quarterly)

Information Technology

Information Society Statistics (Annual)

Labour

Live Register Analysis (Monthly)
Live Register Age-by-Duration Analysis (Bi-annual)
Industrial Disputes (Quarterly)
Quarterly National Household Survey (Quarterly)
EU Survey on Income and Living Conditions (EU SILC)
Earnings, Hours and Employment Costs Survey
(Quarterly)

Prices

Consumer Price Index (Monthly)
Wholesale Price Index (Monthly)
Agricultural Price Indices (Monthly)
Preliminary Estimates of Annual Agricultural Price
Indices (Annual)

Services (including Distribution)

Earnings in Distribution and
Business Services (Quarterly)
Retail Sales Index (Monthly)
Public Sector Employment and Earnings (Quarterly)
Banking, Insurance and Building Societies:
Employment and Earnings (Quarterly)

Tourism

Tourism and Travel (Quarterly and Annual)
Household Travel (Quarterly)
Overseas Travel (Monthly)

Trade

External Trade (Monthly)

Transport

Vehicles Licensed for the First Time
(Monthly and Annual)
Statistics of Port Traffic (Annual)

Appendix 2

Statistics regularly published by other Public Bodies

Agriculture, Food and Rural Development

Annual Report of the Minister for Agriculture and Food
Annual Review and Outlook
Sheep and Goat Census
Compendium of Irish Agricultural Statistics
CMMS Statistics Report
Teagasc: National Farm Survey (Annual)
Office of Public Works: Annual Report
An Bord Iascaigh Mhara (BIM):
 Seafood Exports and Imports (Annual)
 BIM Annual Review
 BIM Annual Report
Department of Communications, Energy and Natural
Resources: Annual Report
Food Safety Authority of Ireland: Annual Report

Building and Construction

Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local
Government:
 Annual Bulletin of Housing Statistics
 Quarterly Bulletin of Housing Statistics
 Planning Statistics (Quarterly)
 Planning Statistics (Annual)
 Construction Industry Indicators
 Housing Allocations
 An Bord Pleanála: Annual Report

Consumer Affairs

Office of the Director of Consumer Affairs Annual
Report
Financial Services Ombudsman Annual Report

Economic

IBEC: Economic Trends Monthly - Economic Trends
 Quarterly Review
ESRI- Quarterly Economic Commentary - Medium
Term Review (MTR) (Biennial)
Consumer Sentiment Index (Monthly)

Education, Science and Technology

Department of Education and Science:

- Statistical Report (Annual)
- Key Education Statistics (Annual)

ESRI Annual School Leavers' Survey

Higher Education Authority:

Higher Education Key Facts & Figures (Annual)

An Overview of Application and Acceptances to Higher Education (Annual)

Energy

Sustainable Energy Ireland (SEI):

Annual Report

Energy in Ireland (Annual)

Fuel Energy Balance (Annual)

Security of Supply (Annual)

Renewable energy in Ireland

Commercial/Domestic Fuel Cost Comparisons (Annual)

Financial

Central Bank of Ireland:

Quarterly Bulletin

Annual Report

Monthly Statistics Supplement

Retail Interest Rate Statistics (Annual)

Monthly Harmonised Competitiveness Indicators

IIB/ESRI: Consumer Sentiment Index (Monthly)

Fire

Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government:

Fire Service Statistics Bulletin (Annual)

Fire Prevention Statistics (Annual)

Health

Department of Health and Children:

Health Statistics

Survey of Long Stay Units

European Home and Leisure Accident and Surveillance System Report 2002

Perinatal Statistics

Health Service Employment Statistics

Appendix 2

Health - continued

Hospital waiting list statistics
Health Service Executive:
Annual Report
Acute Hospital Bed Review
Report of the Inspector of Mental Health Services
(Annual)
Annual Report of the Chief Medical Officer
The National Office for Suicide Prevention: Annual Report
The National Cancer Registry Ireland: Annual Report

Income Distribution

The Revenue Commissioners Statistical Report (Annual)

Industrial Production

IBEC/ESRI: Monthly Industrial Survey

Industry and Commerce

Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment:
Companies Report (Annual)
Registrar of Friendly Societies Annual Report
Insurance Annual Report
Mergers and Takeovers
(Control) Acts, 1978-1996 Annual Report
Irish Takeover Panel: Annual Report
Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority:
Insurance Statistical Review (Annual)
Competition Authority Report (Annual)
Annual Report of the Controller of Patents, Designs
and Trade Marks
Office of the Director of Corporate Enforcement Annual
Report

Justice

Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform
Annual Report
Courts Service Annual Report
Office of the Director of Equality Investigations (ODEI)
Annual Report
Equality Authority Annual Report
Annual Report of the Film Censor
Garda Síochána Annual Report

Justice - continued

- Irish Prison Service Annual Report
- Land Registry/Registry of Deeds Annual Report
- Legal Aid Board Annual Report
- Probation and Welfare Service Report
- Refugee Applications Commission Annual Report

Labour

FÁS:

- Annual Report
- Irish Labour Market Review (Annual)
- Labour Market Commentary (Quarterly)
- Monitoring Irelands Skills Supply (Annual)
- Employment Services Satisfaction Survey
- FÁS/ESRI Manpower Forecasting Report (Annual)
 - Occupational Employment
 - Forecasts (Biennial)
 - Vacancy Reports

FÁS/ESRI/FORFAS:

- National Survey of Vacancies in the Public Sector (Annual)
- FÁS/FORFAS Future Skills Needs
- Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment:
 - Annual Report
 - National Employment Action Plan Progress Report (Monthly)
 - Employment Action Plan (Annual)
- Labour Court: Annual Report
 - Labour Relations Commission Annual Report
 - Employment Appeals Tribunal Annual Report
 - Employment Equality Agency Annual Report

Public Finances

Department of Finance:

- Budget Booklet (Annual)
- Estimates for the Public Sector (Annual)
- Revised Estimates for the Public Sector (Annual)
- Economic Review and Outlook (Annual)
- Appropriation Accounts (Annual)
- Finance Accounts (Annual)
- Public Capital Programme (Annual)
- White Paper of Receipts and Expenditure (Annual)
- Monthly Economic Bulletin

Appendix 2

Public Finances - continued

- Progress Report on Reforming Product & Capital Markets in Ireland
- Ireland's Participation in the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (Annual)
- Budget and Economic Statistics
- Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government:
 - Local Authority Estimates (Annual)
- Revenue Commissioners:
 - Annual Report
 - Corporate Report (Annual)
 - Statistical Report (Annual)
- Comptroller and Auditor General:
 - Annual Report
 - Value for Money Reports
 - Special Reports
 - Section 6 / Section 7 Reports

Social

- Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs:
 - Statistical Information on Social Welfare Services (Annual)
 - Social Welfare Appeals Office Annual Report
- ESRI - Monitoring Poverty Trends (Annual)

Transport

- Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government:
 - Irish Bulletin of Vehicle and Driver Statistics (Annual)
- Road Safety Authority:
 - Road Collision Fact book
- National Roads Authority:
 - National Roads and Traffic Flow (Annual)
 - Vehicle Kilometres of Travel in Ireland (Annual)
- Irish Financial Services Regulatory Authority:
 - Private Motor Insurance Statistics (Annual)

Tourism

- Fáilte Ireland:
 - Hotel Survey (Annual)

Tourism Facts (Annual)
Visitor Attitude Survey (Annual)

Tourism - continued

Delegate Expenditure Survey (Annual)
Tourism & Business Employment Survey (Annual)
Tourism Barometer (Annual)

Appendix 3

Principal regular statistical publications of International Organisations

EUROSTAT

Statistics in Focus – Global Subscription

200 issues per annum

Monthly EU Bulletins

Key Figures

Eurostatistics – Data for Short-Term Economic Analysis

Energy

External and Intra-European Union Trade

Money, Finance and the Euro Statistics

Bulletin of the European Union

Monthly Panorama of European Business

Iron and Steel Monthly Data

Prices

Quarterly EU Bulletins

Sigma – The Bulletin of European Statistics

Quarterly Accounts

Agricultural Statistics

EC Economic Data Pocket Book

EU Publications

Agricultural Statistics

Annual Statistics – Transport

Consumers in Europe – Facts and figures

EC economic data pocketbook (Quarterly)

Economic Accounts for Agriculture and Forestry

Education across the European Union

Employment in Europe

Energy – Statistical Yearbook

Energy, transport and environment indicators pocket-book

Environment Statistics

Environment statistics in the Mediterranean countries

Environmental expenditure statistics

EU integration seen through statistics – Key facts of 18 policy areas

Europe in Figures (CD-ROM version also available) –

Eurostat Yearbook

EU Publications - continued

European social statistics
European Union Foreign Direct Investment Yearbook
European Union international trade in services
External and intra – European Union Trade
– Statistical Yearbook
– Pocket book
Fisheries – Annual Statistics
Forestry Statistics
Gas and electricity market statistics
Health in Europe
Iron and Steel – Statistical Yearbook
Key figures on Europe – Statistical pocketbook
Key figures on European business
Labour Force Survey
Living conditions in Europe
Medstat – Euro-Mediterranean statistics
Panorama of Energy
Panorama of EU Industry
Panorama of European Union trade
Panorama of Tourism
Population statistics
Portrait of the Regions
Regions – Statistical Yearbook
Retailing in the European Economic Area
Science, technology and innovation in Europe
Statistical portrait of the European Union
The EU-15's new economy: a statistical portrait
Tourism – Statistical pocketbook
Waste generated and treated in Europe

N.B. Eurostat Catalogue – Publications and Electronic Services and Eurostat–European Databanks, a Guide to Official Statistics are available in the CSO Library for consultation

Appendix 3

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

African Economic Outlook
Agricultural Policies in Emerging and Transition Economies
Agricultural Policies in OECD Countries: At Glance
Agricultural Policies in OECD Countries: Monitoring and Evaluation
Agricultural Policies in Transition Economies: Trends in Policies and Support
Bank Profitability: Financial Statistics
Benefits and Wages: OECD Indicators
Central Government Debt: Statistical Yearbook
CO² Emissions from Fuel Combustion
Coal Information
Completing the Foundation for Lifelong Learning: An OECD Survey of Upper Secondary Schools
Consumption Tax Trends: VAT/GST and Excise Rates, Trends and Administration Issues
Development Centre Studies The World Economy: Historical Statistics
Development Centre Studies The World Economy: Volume 1: A Millennial Perspective and Volume 2: Historical Statistics
Developments in Steelmaking Capacity of Non-OECD Economies
Economic Accounts for Agriculture
Economic Surveys and Data Analysis
Education at a Glance: OECD Indicators
Education Trends in Perspective: Analysis of the World Education Indicators
Electricity Information
Energy Balances of Non-OECD Countries
Energy Balances of OECD Countries
Energy Statistics of Non-OECD Countries
Environment at a Glance: OECD Environmental Indicators
External Debt Statistics
Flows and Stocks of Fixed Capital
Geographical Distribution of Financial Flows to Aid Recipients
Health at a Glance: OECD Indicators
Information and Communications Technologies OECD Communications Outlook

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) – continued

Information and Communications Technologies OECD
Information Technology Outlook
Institutional Investors Statistical Yearbook
Insurance Statistics Yearbook
International Direct Investment Statistics Yearbook
International Migration Outlook: SOPEMI
Investment in Transport Infrastructure
Iron and Steel Industry
Labour Force Statistics
Measuring Globalisation OECD Economic
Globalisation Indicators
Migration and the Labour Market in Asia: Recent
Trends and Policies
National Accounts of OECD Countries
Natural Gas Information
Nuclear Energy Data
OECD Agricultural Outlook
OECD Communications Outlook
OECD Employment Outlook
OECD Environmental Data: Compendium
OECD Environmental Indicators: Towards Sustainable
Development
OECD Factbook
OECD Historical Statistics
OECD Information Technology Outlook: ICTS and the
Information Economy
OECD Science, Technology and Industry: Scoreboard
and Outlook
OECD Small and Medium Enterprise Outlook
Oil Information
Pensions at a Glance: Public Policies across OECD
Countries
Purchasing Power Parities and real Expenditures:
Redefining Territories: The Functional Regions
Renewables Information
Research and Development Expenditure in Industry
(ANBERD)
Revenue Statistics
Review of Fisheries in OECD Countries
Services: Statistics on Value Added and Employment
SET: National Accounts of OECD Countries: Volume
IIIa - Financial Accounts - Flows and Volume IIIb -

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Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) – continued

Financial Balance Sheets - Stocks
Society at a Glance: OECD Social Indicators
Statistical Report on Road Accidents
Statistics, Knowledge and Policy: Key Indicators to Inform Decision Making
Structural and Demographic Business Statistics
Tax Co-operation: Towards a Level Playing Field
Taxing Wages
The OECD STAN database for Industrial Analysis
Trends in International
Trends in the Transport Sector
Uranium: Resources, Production and Demand
World Energy Outlook

United Nations (UN)

African Statistical Yearbook
Annual Bulletin of Housing and Building Statistics for Europe and North America
Annual Bulletin of Steel Statistics for Europe and North America
Annual Bulletin of Trade in Chemical Products
Annual Bulletin of Transport Statistics for Europe and North America
Asia-Pacific in figures
Bulletin of Industrial Statistics for the Arab Countries
Energy Statistics Yearbook
Foreign Trade Statistics of Asia and the Pacific
Global Illicit Drug Trends
Handbook of World Mineral Trade Statistics
Industrial Commodity Statistics Yearbook
International Trade Statistics Yearbook
Monthly Bulletin of Statistics
National Accounts Statistics:
- Main Aggregates and Detailed Tables Part I and II
- Analysis of Main Aggregates
population and Vital Statistics Report
Statistical Yearbook (also on CD-ROM)
Statistical Yearbook for Asia and the Pacific
Statistical Yearbook for Latin America and the Caribbean
Statistics of Road Traffic Accidents in Europe and North America

United Nations (UN) - continued

Statistics of World Trade in Steel
The Statistical Yearbook of the Economic Commission for Europe
The World's Women, Progress in statistics
Trends in Europe and North America;
UN Demographic Yearbook
UNCTAD Handbook of Statistics (annual)
UNECE Countries in Figures (annual)
World Drug Report
World Investment Report (annual)
World Population Prospects:
- Basic Tables
- Comprehensive Tables
- Analytical Report
World Robotics,
- Statistics, Market Analysis, Forecasts, Case Studies and Profitability of Robot Investment
World statistics Pocketbook (annual)

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Balance of Payment Statistics Yearbook
Direction of Trade Statistics (quarterly and yearbook)
Government Finance Statistics Yearbook
International Financial Statistics (monthly and yearbook)

Council of Europe

Media in Europe (European Audiovisual Observatory, Mass Media)
Population Studies Series
Recent Demographic Development in Europe
Statistical Yearbook - Film, Television, Video and Multimedia in Europe

European Central Bank

Annual Report
Convergence Report
Financial Stability Review
Monthly Bulletin
Statistics pocketbook

Appendix 4

CSO Statistical Publications

Ageing in Ireland

Annual Report on Vital Statistics

Annual Services Inquiry

Census of Agriculture, 2000 Main Results

Census of Industrial Production

Census of Population 2006:

Principal Demographic Results

Volume 1 - Population Classified by Area

Volume 2 - Ages and Marital Status

Volume 3 - Household Composition, Family Units and Fertility

Principal Socio-economic Results

Volume 4 - Usual Residence, Migration, Birthplaces and Nationalities

Volume 5 - Ethnic or Cultural Background (including the Irish Traveller Community)

Volume 6 - Housing

Volume 7 - Principal Economic Status and Industries

Volume 8 - Occupations

Volume 9 - Irish Language

Volume 10 - Education and Qualifications

Volume 11 - Disability, Carers and Voluntary Activities

Volume 12 - Travel to Work, School and College

Volume 13 - Religion

Census 2006 - Non-Irish Nationals Living in Ireland

Census of Industrial Production

Construction and Housing in Ireland

Demographic, Social and Economic Situation of the Farming Community - 1991

Domestic Tourism in Ireland

Environmental Accounts for Ireland

Equality in Ireland

Family Business in Ireland
Farming Since the Famine, Irish Farm Statistics,
1847-1996
Farm Structure Survey
Garda Recorded Crime Statistics
Greenhouse Gas and Acid Rain Precursor Accounts for
Ireland
Household Budget Survey Preliminary Results
Household Budget Survey Final Results
Income of Agricultural Households in Ireland
Information Society and Telecommunications
Institutional Sector Accounts - Financial and Non-Financial
International Sourcing – The Movement of Irish
Business Activity Abroad
Ireland, North and South: A Statistical Profile
Labour Costs Survey
Measuring Ireland's Progress
National Disability Survey
National Employment Survey
National Income and Expenditure
Population and Labour Force Projections
PRODCOM Product Sales
Regional Quality of Life
Report on Vital Statistics (quarterly)
Road Freight Transport Survey
Small Business in Ireland
Statistical Yearbook of Ireland
Supply and Use Tables for Ireland
Supply and Use and Input-Output Tables
Tourism Trends
Trade Statistics (monthly)
Transport
Women and Men in Ireland