

TABLE 4:—INCREASE OR DECREASE PER CENT IN POPULATION OF EACH PROVINCE AND COUNTY AS CONSTITUTED AT EACH OF THE ELEVEN CENSUSES FROM 1861 TO 1956.

Province and County	Percentage decrease in population (+ = increase)									
	1861 to 1871	1871 to 1881	1881 to 1891	1891 to 1901	1901 to 1911	1911 to 1926	1926 to 1936	1936 to 1946	1946 to 1951	1951 to 1956
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Total	7·93	4·52	10·37	7·12	2·55	5·34	0·12	0·45	+0·19	2·11
Leinster*	8·11	4·51	7·13	2·94	+0·80	1·11	+6·21	+4·97	+4·33	+0·18
Munster*	7·93	4·48	11·92	8·21	3·78	6·33	2·84	2·65	2·01	2·42
Connacht	7·33	2·90	11·79	10·74	5·56	9·51	4·96	6·22	4·24	5·44
Ulster (part of)	8·45	7·55	12·44	9·87	4·25	9·38	6·61	5·85	4·03	6·87
Leinster										
Carlow	9·60	9·84	12·09	7·79	3·96	4·90	0·07	1·08	+0·24	0·80
Dublin County and Dublin County Borough	1·22	+3·37	+0·07	+6·92	+6·47	+5·96	+16·07	+8·39	+8·93	+1·84
Kildare	8·06	9·34	7·38	9·46	+4·82	12·91	0·23	+12·02	+2·45	0·79
Kilkenny*	12·16	9·00	12·33	9·28	5·30	5·30	3·35	2·77	2·21	1·62
Laoighis	12·00	8·33	11·27	11·51	4·86	5·65	2·78	0·82	2·55	2·77
Longford	10·03	5·41	13·71	11·35	6·11	9·07	5·02	4·30	4·60	4·58
Louth	7·38	7·54	8·56	7·35	3·27	1·45	+2·55	+2·88	+3·89	+0·62
Meath	13·42	8·47	11·98	12·33	3·56	3·26	2·48	+7·86	+0·16	+0·64
Offaly	15·71	4·02	10·01	8·20	5·57	7·46	2·44	+4·63	2·13	1·09
Westmeath	13·70	8·46	9·32	5·34	2·67	5·28	3·72	+0·44	0·88	0·63
Wexford	7·84	6·64	9·75	6·87	1·76	6·28	1·67	2·54	1·98	3·08
Wicklow	9·00	10·56	11·72	2·11	0·19	5·14	+1·70	+3·21	+3·54	4·29
Munster										
Clare	11·09	4·33	12·00	9·76	7·21	8·80	5·45	5·36	4·39	5·11
Cork County and Cork County Borough	5·09	4·15	11·54	7·71	3·09	6·72	2·68	3·45	0·69	1·35
Kerry	2·58	+2·27	10·89	7·49	3·64	6·59	6·26	4·25	5·41	3·61
Limerick County and Limerick County Borough	11·66	5·89	12·02	8·06	2·07	1·91	+0·58	+1·00	0·93	2·38
Tipperary	13·00	7·89	13·24	7·48	4·87	7·49	2·26	1·32	1·99	2·92
Waterford County and Waterford County Borough*	8·15	8·55	12·87	11·26	3·69	6·44	1·21	1·94	1·38	1·50
Connacht										
Galway	8·48	2·60	11·28	10·32	5·36	7·06	0·69	1·78	3·02	2·90
Leitrim	8·77	5·43	13·01	11·80	8·31	12·07	8·94	12·41	7·58	10·08
Mayo	3·44	0·33	10·68	9·07	3·51	10·14	6·57	8·20	4·22	6·21
Roscommon	10·56	5·82	13·66	11·02	7·70	11·07	7·17	6·52	6·08	6·45
Sligo	7·49	3·39	12·16	14·21	5·99	9·69	5·52	7·52	2·99	6·05
Ulster (part of)										
Cavan	8·56	8·00	13·56	12·85	6·53	9·57	7·01	8·24	5·65	6·99
Donegal	8·03	5·63	9·90	6·42	2·98	9·51	6·69	4·21	3·51	7·20
Monaghan	9·10	10·63	16·10	13·45	4·23	8·85	5·90	6·65	3·27	5·93

* An area which was within the Administrative County of Kilkenny in 1951 was transferred, in 1955, to Waterford County Borough. Thus the areas to which the 1951-'56 figures relate are not comparable with those for the earlier intercensal periods. See explanatory notes.