

Table 7 Percentage change in population of each Province and County in each intercensal period since 1946

Province and County	1946 to 1951	1951 to 1956	1956 to 1961	1961 to 1966	1966 to 1971	1971 to 1979	1979 to 1981	1981 to 1986	1986 to 1991
Total	0.2	- 2.1	- 2.8	2.3	3.3	13.1	2.2	2.8	- 0.4
Leinster	4.3	0.2	- 0.5	6.2	5.9	16.4	2.7	3.5	0.4
Munster	- 2.0	- 2.4	- 3.2	1.2	2.6	11.1	1.9	2.2	- 1.1
Connacht	- 4.2	- 5.4	- 6.0	- 4.2	- 2.7	7.1	1.4	1.6	- 1.9
Ulster (part of)	- 4.0	- 6.9	- 7.8	- 4.2	- 0.5	9.1	1.8	2.5	- 1.6
Leinster									
Carlow	0.2	- 0.8	- 1.6	0.8	1.9	12.9	3.0	2.9	- 0.1
Dublin(a)	8.9	1.8	1.9	10.7	7.2	15.4	2.0	1.8	0.4
Kildare	2.5	- 0.8	- 2.3	3.1	8.4	35.0	7.1	11.6	5.5
Kilkenny	- 2.2	- 1.6	- 3.8	- 2.0	1.7	12.5	2.4	3.4	0.6
Laoighis	- 2.6	- 2.8	- 4.3	- 1.1	1.5	10.3	2.5	4.1	- 1.8
Longford	- 4.6	- 4.6	- 7.1	- 5.4	- 2.5	9.0	1.2	1.1	- 3.8
Louth	3.9	0.6	- 2.6	3.2	7.8	14.7	2.8	3.7	- 1.2
Meath	0.2	0.6	- 2.5	3.4	6.5	26.7	5.2	8.9	1.4
Offaly	- 2.1	- 1.1	- 0.8	0.4	0.2	10.6	1.7	2.6	- 2.2
Westmeath	- 0.9	- 0.6	- 2.3	0.1	1.3	11.8	2.7	3.0	- 2.4
Wexford	- 2.0	- 3.1	- 4.5	0.2	3.5	11.7	2.8	3.5	- 0.5
Wicklow	3.5	- 4.3	- 3.6	3.3	9.7	26.6	4.2	8.1	2.9
Munster									
Clare	- 4.4	- 5.1	- 4.5	- 0.1	1.9	13.2	3.1	4.3	- 0.5
Cork(a)	- 0.7	- 1.4	- 1.9	2.8	3.9	12.3	1.6	2.6	- 0.6
Kerry	- 5.4	- 3.6	- 4.6	- 3.2	- 0.0	6.7	2.0	1.1	- 1.8
Limerick(a)	- 0.9	- 2.4	- 3.3	3.0	2.3	12.1	2.7	1.8	- 1.6
Tipperary, N.R.	- 1.9	- 2.3	- 3.6	0.3	0.9	7.6	0.9	0.9	- 2.8
Tipperary, S.R.	- 2.1	- 3.4	- 4.9	- 1.6	0.4	8.7	1.3	1.1	- 2.8
Waterford(a)	- 1.4	- 1.5	- 3.5	2.3	5.8	12.9	1.5	2.9	0.5
Connacht									
Galway(a)	- 3.0	- 2.9	- 3.6	- 1.0	0.6	12.5	2.5	3.8	1.0
Leitrim	- 7.6	- 10.1	- 9.7	- 8.7	- 7.2	- 1.8	- 0.8	- 2.1	- 6.4
Mayo	- 4.2	- 6.2	- 7.3	- 6.3	- 5.2	4.1	0.7	0.4	- 3.9
Roscommon	- 6.1	- 6.5	- 7.1	- 5.0	- 4.8	1.3	0.7	0.1	- 4.9
Sligo	- 3.0	- 6.1	- 5.8	- 4.3	- 1.9	8.6	1.6	1.0	- 2.3
Ulster (part of)									
Cavan	- 5.7	- 7.0	- 8.3	- 4.5	- 2.6	2.1	0.3	0.2	- 2.2
Donegal	- 3.5	- 7.2	- 6.7	- 4.6	- 0.2	12.5	2.6	3.6	- 1.2
Monaghan	- 3.3	- 5.9	- 9.6	- 2.9	1.1	8.9	1.6	2.3	- 2.1

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