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Province or County	Total persons	Religious denomination						No religion	Not stated
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Total									
1891	3,468,694	3,099,003	286,804	51,469	18,513	1,506	11,399		
1901	3,221,823	2,878,271	264,264	46,714	17,872	3,006	11,696		
1911	3,139,688	2,812,509	249,535	45,486	16,440	3,805	11,913		
1926	2,971,992	2,751,269	164,215	32,429	10,663	3,686	9,730		
1936	2,968,420	2,773,920	145,030	28,067	9,649	3,749	8,005		
1946	2,955,107	2,786,033	124,829	23,870	8,355	3,907	8,113		
1961	2,818,341	2,673,473	104,016	18,953	6,676	3,255	5,236	1,107	5,625
1971	2,978,248	2,795,666	97,739	16,052	5,646	2,633	6,248	7,616	46,648
1981	3,443,405	3,204,476	95,366	14,255	5,790	2,127	10,843	39,572	70,976
1991	3,525,719	3,228,327	89,187	13,199	5,037	1,581	38,743	66,270	83,375
Leinster									
1891	1,187,760	1,012,007	147,520	12,460	7,770	1,135	6,868		
1901	1,152,829	981,768	141,615	11,987	7,977	2,296	7,186		
1911	1,162,044	990,045	140,182	12,866	8,068	3,096	7,787		
1926	1,149,092	1,032,835	92,899	8,589	5,564	3,226	5,979		
1936	1,220,411	1,113,331	85,273	7,972	5,295	3,423	5,117		
1946	1,281,117	1,185,106	75,225	7,031	4,839	3,579	5,337		
1961	1,332,149	1,246,904	64,367	5,936	3,875	3,102	3,834	771	3,360
1971	1,498,140	1,387,644	60,115	5,172	3,187	2,502	4,412	5,994	29,114
1981	1,790,521	1,645,489	58,356	4,337	3,339	2,004	7,144	26,812	43,040
1991	1,860,949	1,685,334	54,303	3,799	2,815	1,439	24,829	43,843	44,587
Carlow									
1891	40,936	36,139	4,454	118	163	5	57		
1901	37,748	33,399	3,946	164	197	9	33		
1911	36,252	32,317	3,600	122	157	18	38		
1926	34,476	31,487	2,719	97	106	15	52		
1936	34,452	31,704	2,594	63	74	9	8		
1946	34,081	31,775	2,169	32	73	9	23		
1961	33,342	31,191	2,019	16	60	11	14	1	30
1971	34,237	31,933	1,858	17	37	8	12	42	330
1981	39,820	36,928	1,889	17	27	5	73	179	702
1991	40,942	37,767	1,789	15	25	5	262	343	736
Dublin									
1891	419,216	322,822	77,896	7,724	4,129	1,057	5,588		
1901	448,206	348,524	79,337	7,659	4,664	2,169	5,853		
1911	477,196	375,742	78,680	8,617	5,031	2,965	6,161		
1926	505,654	434,059	53,809	6,299	3,810	3,150	4,527		
1936	586,925	519,341	50,516	6,059	3,765	3,372	3,872		
1946	636,193	574,593	45,071	5,477	3,603	3,511	3,938		
1961	718,332	663,509	38,058	4,723	2,937	3,064	3,107	630	2,304
1971	852,219	777,771	34,906	4,138	2,403	2,451	3,473	4,869	22,208
1981	1,003,164	909,685	31,866	3,293	2,382	1,952	5,197	20,492	28,297
1991	1,025,304	911,454	28,326	2,716	1,895	1,383	17,571	33,269	28,690
Kildare									
1891	70,206	59,034	9,096	1,310	573	15	178		
1901	63,566	54,863	7,392	688	419	8	196		
1911	66,627	54,684	10,498	611	576	18	240		
1926	58,028	54,401	3,193	223	118	12	81		
1936	57,892	54,802	2,761	170	79	5	75		
1946	64,849	62,023	2,473	127	84	-	142		
1961	64,420	61,672	2,367	121	66	-	48	8	138
1971	71,977	68,488	2,415	108	62	7	84	111	702
1981	104,122	97,282	3,001	152	93	16	297	1,037	2,244
1991	122,656	113,828	3,070	153	102	9	1,212	1,859	2,423

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Kilkenny									
1891	87,261	82,732	4,144	170	132	12	71		
1901	79,159	74,830	3,978	170	114	2	65		
1911	74,962	71,193	3,357	214	72	12	114		
1926	70,990	68,377	2,342	108	61	5	97		
1936	68,614	66,320	2,083	72	43	1	95		
1946	66,712	64,902	1,586	55	50	6	113		
1961	61,668	59,919	1,488	55	28	-	76	3	99
1971	61,473	59,375	1,324	21	24	1	66	65	597
1981	70,806	67,537	1,546	54	74	-	151	457	987
1991	73,635	68,699	1,660	143	56	2	559	822	1,694
Laoighis									
1891	64,883	56,913	6,959	292	524	9	186		
1901	57,417	50,599	5,950	295	419	3	151		
1911	54,629	48,480	5,307	282	369	5	186		
1926	51,540	46,880	4,193	143	214	3	107		
1936	50,109	45,907	3,818	112	176	1	95		
1946	49,697	46,020	3,362	68	130	1	116		
1961	45,069	41,856	2,897	75	105	1	75	3	57
1971	45,259	41,972	2,701	62	77	-	40	66	341
1981	51,171	47,656	2,595	48	63	2	121	229	457
1991	52,314	48,461	2,458	38	94	1	312	256	694
Longford									
1891	52,647	48,071	4,033	279	211	-	53		
1901	46,672	42,742	3,403	256	203	3	65		
1911	43,820	40,297	3,081	230	163	1	48		
1926	39,847	37,555	1,973	121	109	-	89		
1936	37,847	36,005	1,580	106	98	-	58		
1946	36,218	34,679	1,311	63	68	9	88		
1961	30,643	29,411	1,053	44	61	2	29	1	42
1971	28,250	26,910	880	43	46	1	27	41	302
1981	31,140	29,664	834	42	42	-	60	135	363
1991	30,296	28,645	729	46	37	-	161	163	515
Louth									
1891	71,038	64,863	4,832	947	288	7	101		
1901	65,820	60,171	4,218	980	296	54	101		
1911	63,665	58,303	4,043	934	232	35	118		
1926	62,739	59,623	2,295	555	147	19	100		
1936	64,339	61,515	2,042	512	150	10	110		
1946	66,194	63,835	1,719	424	118	6	92		
1961	67,378	65,357	1,338	285	60	3	35	13	287
1971	74,951	72,247	1,164	225	56	4	93	88	1,074
1981	88,514	84,250	1,029	178	37	-	208	609	2,203
1991	90,724	85,770	988	137	20	5	907	974	1,923
Meath									
1891	76,987	71,690	4,815	367	69	3	43		
1901	67,497	62,643	4,394	330	66	13	51		
1911	65,091	60,660	3,945	350	55	2	79		
1926	62,969	59,769	2,884	181	17	4	114		
1936	61,405	58,645	2,443	172	43	4	98		
1946	66,232	63,914	2,016	156	31	2	113		
1961	65,122	63,086	1,763	128	16	5	65	10	49
1971	71,729	68,791	1,800	114	31	5	100	153	735
1981	95,419	89,976	2,074	131	97	5	186	724	2,226
1991	105,370	98,766	2,059	142	42	2	797	1,236	2,326

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Offaly									
1891	65,563	58,264	6,432	291	463	6	107		
1901	60,187	53,806	5,513	353	392	9	114		
1911	56,832	51,178	4,906	353	270	3	122		
1926	52,592	48,705	3,409	148	205	3	122		
1936	51,308	47,966	2,895	131	214	5	97		
1946	53,686	50,893	2,418	101	186	-	88		
1961	51,533	49,059	2,169	63	149	1	55	1	36
1971	51,829	49,009	1,979	53	158	-	50	38	542
1981	58,312	55,384	1,876	38	127	-	98	195	594
1991	58,494	55,172	1,656	39	142	1	279	323	882
Westmeath									
1891	65,109	60,049	4,482	283	207	1	87		
1901	61,629	56,673	4,271	319	251	3	112		
1911	59,986	54,779	4,550	342	203	4	108		
1926	56,818	54,208	2,301	149	69	2	89		
1936	54,706	52,447	1,982	112	53	-	112		
1946	54,949	53,115	1,613	74	51	1	95		
1961	52,861	51,374	1,251	52	40	1	50	3	90
1971	53,570	51,795	1,193	39	21	-	33	78	411
1981	61,523	58,718	1,225	30	48	1	122	356	1,023
1991	61,880	58,508	1,139	32	38	-	401	528	1,234
Wexford									
1891	111,778	102,180	8,779	250	369	2	198		
1901	104,104	95,435	7,859	271	342	8	189		
1911	102,273	94,413	7,050	254	334	11	211		
1926	95,848	90,136	5,119	149	216	-	228		
1936	94,245	89,238	4,599	105	154	3	146		
1946	91,855	87,500	4,022	82	93	-	158		
1961	83,308	79,331	3,638	79	80	5	45	36	94
1971	86,351	81,724	3,432	76	67	9	114	86	843
1981	99,081	92,744	3,479	72	63	7	189	642	1,885
1991	102,069	94,832	3,456	81	77	8	554	1,052	2,009
Wicklow									
1891	62,136	49,250	11,598	429	642	18	199		
1901	60,824	48,083	11,354	502	614	15	256		
1911	60,711	47,999	11,165	557	606	22	362		
1926	57,591	47,635	8,662	416	492	13	373		
1936	58,569	49,441	7,960	358	446	13	351		
1946	60,451	51,857	7,465	372	352	34	371		
1961	58,473	51,139	6,326	295	273	9	235	62	134
1971	66,295	57,629	6,463	276	205	16	320	357	1,029
1981	87,449	75,665	6,942	282	286	16	442	1,757	2,059
1991	97,265	83,432	6,973	257	287	23	1,814	3,018	1,461
Munster									
1891	1,172,402	1,098,072	62,722	3,646	5,221	354	2,387		
1901	1,076,188	1,007,876	56,671	3,426	4,974	688	2,553		
1911	1,035,495	973,805	50,646	4,180	4,175	664	2,025		
1926	969,902	934,703	28,614	1,601	2,397	439	2,148		
1936	942,272	913,216	23,935	1,146	2,081	297	1,597		
1946	917,306	892,971	19,868	838	1,758	295	1,576		
1961	849,203	826,618	17,743	753	1,484	146	812	286	1,361
1971	882,002	849,382	17,807	627	1,321	108	1,161	1,244	10,352
1981	998,315	949,938	18,076	542	1,285	94	2,492	8,629	17,259
1991	1,009,533	941,675	17,143	548	1,185	111	9,192	15,402	24,277

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Clare									
1891	124,483	122,047	2,246	106	53	1	30		
1901	112,334	110,062	2,036	157	48	-	31		
1911	104,232	102,300	1,709	166	38	1	18		
1926	95,064	93,942	833	54	6	7	222		
1936	89,879	89,198	609	19	10	-	43		
1946	85,064	84,508	460	29	13	-	54		
1961	73,702	73,094	415	36	8	4	28	15	102
1971	75,008	73,117	772	42	29	6	50	96	896
1981	87,567	83,894	728	51	33	8	219	900	1,734
1991	90,918	84,847	771	55	43	12	861	1,778	2,551
Cork									
1891	438,432	396,174	35,407	2,130	3,293	217	1,211		
1901	404,611	365,724	32,021	1,830	3,062	447	1,527		
1911	392,104	356,269	29,568	1,950	2,690	446	1,181		
1926	365,747	345,119	16,893	818	1,615	362	940		
1936	355,957	338,461	14,459	661	1,351	226	799		
1946	343,668	329,465	11,531	482	1,105	252	833		
1961	330,443	317,243	10,511	387	928	120	450	197	607
1971	352,883	335,850	10,457	304	819	75	584	684	4,110
1981	402,465	378,893	10,418	277	762	62	1,025	4,105	6,923
1991	410,369	379,011	9,656	240	690	57	4,291	7,567	8,857
Kerry									
1891	179,136	173,195	5,077	210	399	13	242		
1901	165,726	160,511	4,431	220	355	8	201		
1911	159,691	155,322	3,725	265	265	26	88		
1926	149,171	146,821	2,051	104	100	3	92		
1936	139,834	137,906	1,637	68	74	3	146		
1946	133,893	132,187	1,515	51	46	1	93		
1961	116,458	114,814	1,303	43	41	4	52	9	192
1971	112,772	109,561	1,407	45	37	11	136	104	1,471
1981	122,770	117,856	1,373	33	41	5	284	1,029	2,149
1991	121,894	114,253	1,588	46	34	17	920	1,696	3,340
Limerick									
1891	158,912	150,789	6,673	426	629	93	302		
1901	146,098	138,691	5,796	431	726	171	283		
1911	143,069	136,367	4,866	983	486	122	245		
1926	140,343	136,433	2,976	212	310	33	379		
1936	141,153	138,031	2,407	174	288	38	215		
1946	142,559	139,750	2,082	126	279	13	309		
1961	133,339	130,977	1,710	114	228	3	110	25	172
1971	140,459	136,444	1,600	101	179	10	149	190	1,786
1981	161,661	154,349	1,904	91	237	5	423	1,321	3,331
1991	161,956	152,364	1,567	86	210	15	1,365	2,084	4,265

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Tipperary

1891	173,188	162,871	9,126	468	558	11	154		
1901	160,232	150,332	8,702	465	560	20	153		
1911	152,433	144,156	7,221	432	435	7	182		
1926	141,015	136,564	3,747	173	223	7	301		
1936	137,835	134,139	3,111	110	247	2	226		
1946	136,014	132,891	2,727	60	206	6	124		
1961	123,822	120,850	2,440	71	208	9	56	33	155
1971	123,565	119,701	2,276	40	206	2	107	88	1,145
1981	135,261	130,291	2,277	30	167	4	227	598	1,667
1991	132,772	125,607	2,233	52	147	1	885	1,074	2,773

Waterford

1891	98,251	92,996	4,193	306	289	19	448		
1901	87,187	82,556	3,685	323	223	42	358		
1911	83,966	79,391	3,557	384	261	62	311		
1926	78,562	75,824	2,114	240	143	27	214		
1936	77,614	75,481	1,712	114	111	28	168		
1946	76,108	74,170	1,553	90	109	23	163		
1961	71,439	69,640	1,364	102	71	6	116	7	133
1971	77,315	74,709	1,295	95	51	4	135	82	944
1981	88,591	84,655	1,376	60	45	10	314	676	1,455
1991	91,624	85,593	1,328	69	61	9	870	1,203	2,491

Connacht

1891	724,774	692,369	27,070	2,623	1,981	8	723		
1901	646,932	619,815	22,430	2,337	1,683	15	652		
1911	610,984	588,004	19,010	2,069	1,323	16	562		
1926	552,907	538,277	12,417	976	738	11	488		
1936	525,468	513,232	10,456	740	635	12	393		
1946	492,797	482,938	8,492	596	473	32	266		
1961	419,465	411,312	6,653	459	264	6	150	35	586
1971	390,902	378,613	6,084	347	248	12	260	213	5,125
1981	424,410	406,811	5,973	345	324	26	727	2,915	7,289
1991	423,031	397,848	5,837	333	286	21	3,208	5,392	10,106

Galway

1891	214,712	208,364	5,340	628	271	-	109		
1901	192,549	187,220	4,402	616	188	1	122		
1911	182,224	177,920	3,544	495	152	4	109		
1926	169,366	167,347	1,673	201	64	-	81		
1936	168,198	166,397	1,521	138	59	6	77		
1946	165,201	163,715	1,213	94	49	18	112		
1961	149,887	148,335	1,178	69	32	5	48	14	206
1971	149,223	145,481	1,253	67	32	7	102	116	2,165
1981	172,018	164,678	1,334	79	50	19	404	1,567	3,887
1991	180,364	168,640	1,586	81	76	16	1,772	3,191	5,002

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Leitrim									
1891	78,618	71,098	6,447	246	784	2	41		
1901	69,343	62,860	5,550	218	694	-	21		
1911	63,582	58,159	4,694	186	510	1	32		
1926	55,907	52,196	3,286	89	279	1	56		
1936	50,908	47,915	2,639	65	246	-	43		
1946	44,591	42,337	1,972	63	175	1	43		
1961	33,470	31,976	1,289	48	98	-	6	3	50
1971	28,360	26,806	1,093	13	67	1	12	13	355
1981	27,609	26,173	902	17	78	1	8	153	277
1991	25,301	23,682	762	17	61	-	80	217	482
Mayo									
1891	219,034	213,602	4,351	722	218	2	139		
1901	199,166	194,504	3,790	591	183	-	98		
1911	192,177	188,069	3,380	515	141	4	68		
1926	172,690	170,211	2,066	271	66	3	73		
1936	161,349	159,295	1,682	187	60	3	122		
1946	148,120	146,384	1,435	147	57	11	86		
1961	123,330	121,931	1,048	98	21	1	25	8	198
1971	109,525	107,068	953	104	21	1	47	43	1,288
1981	114,766	111,179	984	123	41	1	136	570	1,732
1991	110,713	105,839	933	101	27	2	601	929	2,281
Roscommon									
1891	114,397	110,290	3,543	336	128	1	99		
1901	101,791	99,085	2,273	250	100	-	83		
1911	93,956	91,731	1,887	195	64	-	79		
1926	83,556	82,210	1,147	110	18	-	71		
1936	77,566	76,528	889	87	37	-	25		
1946	72,510	71,760	662	63	21	-	4		
1961	59,217	58,593	495	41	19	-	15	3	51
1971	53,519	52,173	461	29	23	2	5	21	805
1981	54,543	53,156	408	9	22	1	35	218	694
1991	51,897	50,204	386	13	21	2	221	333	717
Sligo									
1891	98,013	89,015	7,389	691	580	3	335		
1901	84,083	76,146	6,415	662	518	14	328		
1911	79,045	72,125	5,505	678	456	7	274		
1926	71,388	66,313	4,245	305	311	7	207		
1936	67,447	63,097	3,725	263	233	3	126		
1946	62,375	58,742	3,210	229	171	2	21		
1961	53,561	50,477	2,643	203	94	-	56	7	81
1971	50,275	47,085	2,324	134	105	1	94	20	512
1981	55,474	51,625	2,345	117	133	4	144	407	699
1991	54,756	49,483	2,170	121	101	1	534	722	1,624

Table 3 (contd.) Population classified by religion in each Province and County for relevant censuses from 1891 to 1991

Province or County	Total persons	Religious denomination						No religion	Not stated
		Catholic	Church of Ireland (including Protestant)	Presbyterian	Methodist	Jewish	Other stated religions *		

Ulster (part of)

1891	383,758	296,555	49,492	32,740	3,541	9	1,421		
1901	345,874	268,812	43,548	28,964	3,238	7	1,305		
1911	331,165	260,655	39,697	26,371	2,874	29	1,539		
1926	300,091	245,454	30,285	21,263	1,964	10	1,115		
1936	280,269	234,141	25,366	18,209	1,638	17	898		
1946	263,887	225,018	21,244	15,405	1,285	1	934		
1961	217,524	188,639	15,253	11,805	1,053	1	440	15	318
1971	207,204	180,027	13,733	9,906	890	11	415	165	2,057
1981	230,159	202,238	12,961	9,031	842	3	480	1,216	3,388
1991	232,206	203,470	11,904	8,519	751	10	1,514	1,633	4,405

Cavan

1891	111,917	90,508	16,361	3,809	1,046	2	191		
1901	97,541	79,026	14,112	3,220	987	1	195		
1911	91,173	74,271	12,952	2,843	781	9	317		
1926	82,452	69,383	10,102	2,196	468	6	297		
1936	76,670	65,520	8,644	1,892	387	-	227		
1946	70,355	61,136	7,160	1,498	317	-	244		
1961	56,594	49,969	5,146	1,114	219	1	65	2	78
1971	52,618	46,556	4,513	905	169	1	55	23	396
1981	53,855	48,019	4,233	695	158	-	67	170	513
1991	52,796	46,703	3,782	710	94	1	240	291	975

Donegal

1891	185,635	142,893	21,884	18,055	2,006	-	797		
1901	173,722	135,029	19,908	16,212	1,828	-	745		
1911	168,537	133,021	18,020	15,016	1,698	14	768		
1926	152,508	124,941	13,774	12,162	1,202	1	428		
1936	142,310	118,906	11,516	10,445	1,042	14	387		
1946	136,317	116,262	9,869	8,982	829	1	374		
1961	113,842	98,252	7,345	7,173	734	-	192	11	135
1971	108,344	93,330	6,818	6,030	651	9	193	118	1,195
1981	125,112	108,988	6,464	5,808	613	3	233	808	2,195
1991	128,117	111,427	6,157	5,412	603	8	866	1,029	2,615

Monaghan

1891	86,206	63,154	11,247	10,876	489	7	433		
1901	74,611	54,757	9,528	9,532	423	6	365		
1911	71,455	53,363	8,725	8,512	395	6	454		
1926	65,131	51,130	6,409	6,905	294	3	390		
1936	61,289	49,715	5,206	5,872	209	3	284		
1946	57,215	47,620	4,215	4,925	139	-	316		
1961	47,088	40,418	2,762	3,518	100	-	183	2	105
1971	46,242	40,141	2,402	2,971	70	1	167	24	466
1981	51,192	45,231	2,264	2,528	71	-	180	238	680
1991	51,293	45,340	1,965	2,397	54	1	408	313	815