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Volume 6 – Occupations

Four out of five non-Irish nationals in labour force

Approximately 150,000 of the 190,000 non-Irish nationals aged 15 years and over in April 2002 were in the labour force. This represents a labour force participation rate of 79 per cent, compared with 58 per cent for the population as a whole.

This information is contained in Census 2002 Volume 6 - Occupations, which gives further detailed results of the census conducted on 28 April 2002. The report gives the final population figures classified by occupation, socio-economic group and social class for detailed territorial divisions in the country (see Editor's note).

Over one in five (21%) of the non-Irish nationals in the labour force had *Professional, technical and health* occupations, compared with 16.5 per cent for the population overall.

A further 13 per cent of non-Irish nationals had *Services* occupations. The corresponding proportion for the population as a whole was 9.6 per cent.

Highest concentration of clerical workers in towns around Dublin

The towns with the highest concentration of *Clerical, managing and government* workers in 2002 were Malahide (32%), Ratoath (31.8%), Portmarnock (30.3%), Dunshaughlin (28.2%) and Donabate (27.9%). At national level, this occupational group accounted for over one in six persons in the labour force.

Fall in share of manufacturing occupations between 1996 and 2002

The proportion of *Manufacturing* workers fell by over 3 per cent, from 15.7 per cent in 1996 to 12.6 per cent in 2002.

The towns with the highest percentages of *Manufacturing* occupations in 2002 were Mitchelstown (26.4%), Clara (24.1%), Shannon (22.9%) and Kanturk (22.9%).

Malahide at top end of socio-economic scale

Malahide in north Dublin had the highest proportion of its population aged 15 and over classified to the socio-economic groups *Employers and managers* and *Higher professionals*. These groups combined represented a total of 41.3 per cent of the relevant population. Greystones (36.7%), Ratoath (36.6%), Oranmore (36.4%) and Enniskerry (35.7%) were next in line.

Portrane (16.1%) had the highest proportion of *Lower professionals* followed by its near neighbour Donabate (15.9%).

The group *Skilled manual workers* predominated in Rathangan (18.1%), Muinebeag (18%) and Kanturk (16.2%).

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Editor's note

The publication *Census 2002 - Principal Socio-economic Results*, released on 15 October 2003, contains a summary at State level of data from Volumes 5 - 7, 9 - 10 and 13 of the detailed census reports. The publication released today, Volume 6, provides figures for occupations, socio-economic groups and social classes at a more detailed geographical level.

All published tables from Census 2002 are being made available on the CSO web site (www.cso.ie). Tables at Electoral Division, Local Electoral Area and small town level are being made available exclusively on the CSO web site.

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