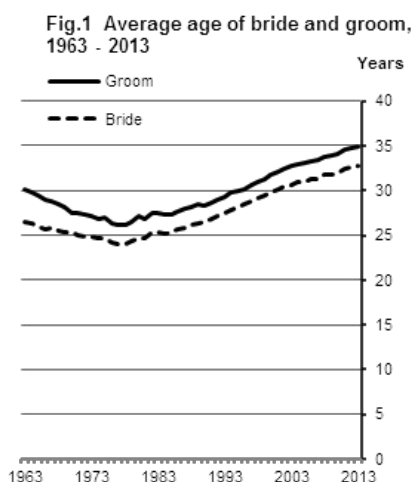


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2013

	2013	2012
Marriages	20,680	20,713
Marriages per 1,000 population	4.5	4.5
Average Age of Groom	34.9	34.7
Average Age of Bride	32.8	32.6
Civil Marriage Ceremonies	6,096	5,797
Civil Partnerships	338	429

The average age of brides and grooms has increased by almost 9 years since 1978



The average age of grooms in 2013 was 34.9 years, 0.2 years more than the average age in 2012. In the past fifty years, the average age of grooms has decreased from 30.1 years in 1963 to a low of 26.2 years in 1977 and has increased to a high of 34.9 years in 2013. A similar trend is evident for brides with the average age decreasing from 26.5 in 1963 to 24.0 in 1977 and has increased to a high of 32.8 in 2013. See table 1 and fig 1.

The number of marriages registered in 2013 was 20,680 which equates to a crude marriage rate of 4.5 per 1,000 of the population. This compares with a total of 20,713 marriages and a marriage rate also of 4.5 per thousand of the population in 2012. See table 1.

In 2013, the average age of the groom in Civil marriages was 37.6 years and the average age of the groom in Roman Catholic marriages was 33.4 years. The average age of the bride in Civil marriages was 35.0 years and the average

age of the bride in Roman Catholic marriages was 31.7 years. See table 3.

In 2013, Civil marriages accounted for 29.5% of all marriages, 1.5 percentage points more than the 28% recorded in 2012. Of the 6,096 civil marriages in 2013, there were 4,288 (over 70%) where both the bride and groom were single. See tables 1, 17 and fig 3.

Of the 20,680 marriages registered in 2013, there were 12,921 Roman Catholic marriage ceremonies (62.5%), 6,096 Civil marriages (29.5%), 453 Church of Ireland ceremonies (2.2%) and the remaining 5.9% was made up of Presbyterian, Methodist, and other ceremonies. See table 1 and fig 2.

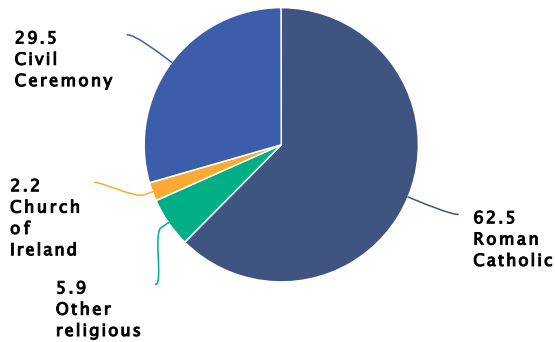
Civil marriage ceremonies were the most common form of ceremony for grooms aged 45 and over (65%), and for brides aged 40 and over (62%) in 2013. See table 3.

At a NUTS3 regional level, over 39% of grooms and brides in the Dublin region had Civil marriages. By contrast, 22% of grooms and brides living in the Border and West regions had Civil marriages. See tables 14 and 15.

Fig 2 Marriages by form of Ceremony, 2013

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Source: CSO Ireland

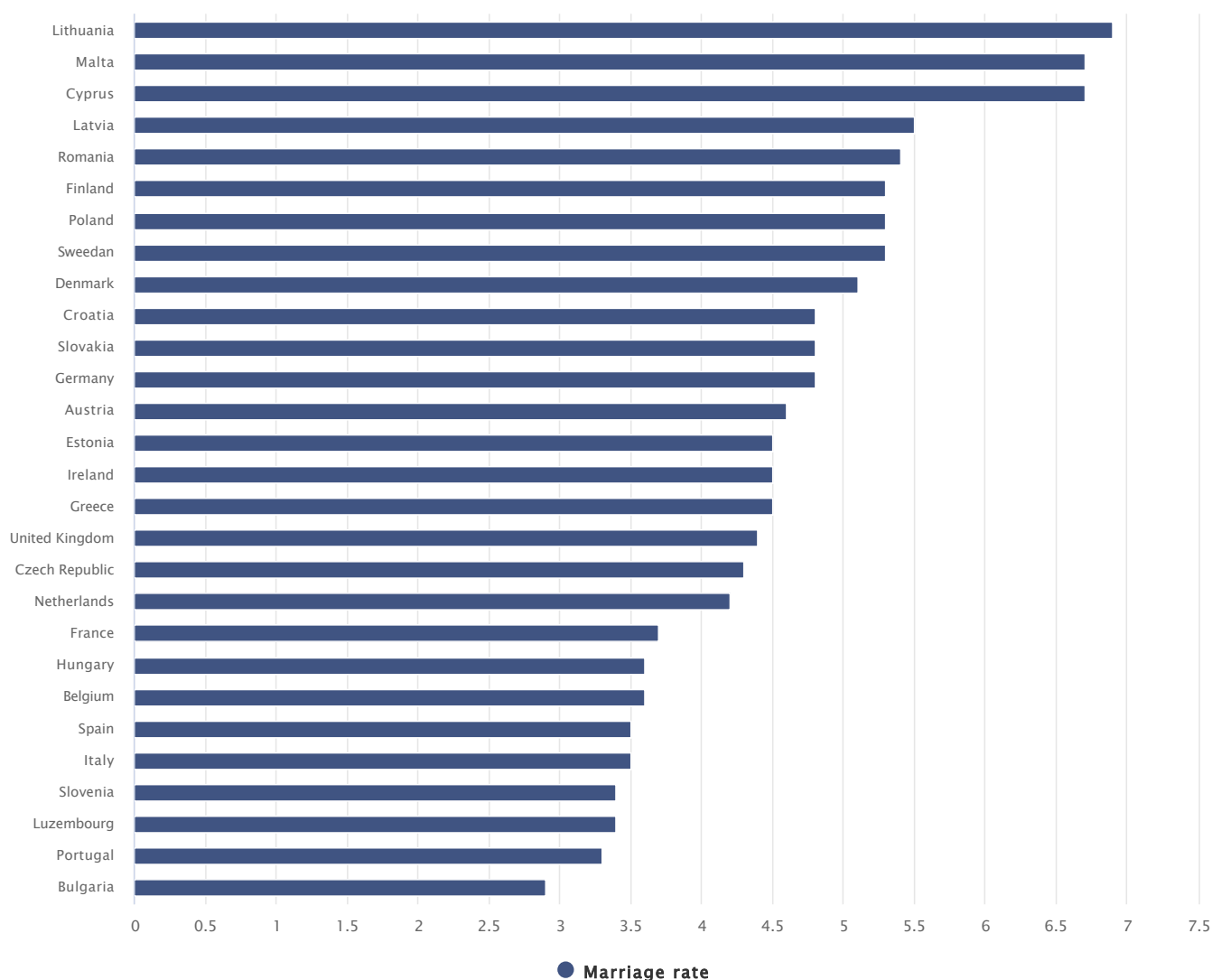
August was the most popular month for marriages in 2013

- Similar to 2012, August was the most popular month for marriage in 2013, when almost 15% (or 3,071) of marriages occurred. Almost half (46.7%) of all marriages in 2013 took place in the months of June to September. January continued to be the least popular month for marriage ceremonies with only 555 (2.7%) of marriages occurring during that month. See *table 16*.
- Friday and Saturday were the most popular days of the week to get married with over 71% of marriages occurring on those days. The least popular day was Sunday when 313 couples wed (1.5% of total). See *table 16*.
- Saturday 3rd August was the most popular date for marriage in 2013 with 247 (over 1%) marriages taking place. This was followed by Friday 6th September, when 244 (over 1%) marriages occurred.
- In 2012 (latest available data) Lithuania had the highest crude(unadjusted) marriage rate of the the EU 28 Member States with a rate of 6.9 per 1,000 population. Bulgaria had the lowest rate, with 2.9 marriages per 1,000 population. Ireland, along with Greece and Estonia, was ranked 9th with a rate of 4.5 per 1,000 of the population. See *fig 3*.

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Figure 3 Crude marriage rates per 1,000 population in the European Union, 2012



Source: CSO Ireland

Groom older than bride in 63% of marriages

The average age of grooms and brides in 2013 was 34.9 years and 32.8 years respectively. The average age of grooms marrying for the first time was 33.6 years and for brides the average age was 32.0 years. See tables 22 and 23.

In 2013, the groom was older than the bride in almost 63% of marriages. This was generally witnessed across all age groups except in the case of grooms under 25, where the bride was older in almost 41% of marriages. See tables 7, 8.

In 2013, 3% of grooms were under the age of 25 and 36% of grooms were aged 35 and over on their wedding day. For brides, over 5% were under the age of 25 and almost 26% were aged 35 and over on their wedding day. See table 1.

At a local authority level, Monaghan had the lowest average age for grooms and brides at 33.2 and 31.1 years respectively. At the other end of the scale, Wicklow had the highest average age for grooms at 36.3 years and Dun Laoghaire Rathdown had the highest average age for brides at 34.0 years. See tables 9 and 10.

Over 88% of marriages were first time marriages

In 2013, 88% (18,241) of marriages were the first marriage for both the groom and bride. The breakdown between grooms and brides was 19,014 (almost 92%) grooms and 19,313 (over 93%) brides marrying for the first time. See tables 17, 22 and 23.

There were 2,230 marriages involving at least one divorced person in 2013, including 430 marriages where both parties were

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divorced. Civil ceremonies accounted for 1,712 of these marriages, 188 were Roman Catholic ceremonies, and the remaining 330 were other religious ceremonies. See *table 17*.

Couples residing outside Ireland before marriage account for almost 10% of marriages

Marriages where both the bride and groom were residing in Ireland before marriage accounted for nearly 88% (18,175) of marriages. In 2013, 2,053 (10%) marriages involved both the bride and groom living outside the State before marriage. See *tables 11 and 12*.

Nearly 93% of grooms residing in Donegal married brides who were also residing in Donegal. In contrast, just under 72% of Roscommon grooms married brides living in Roscommon. In relation to brides, nearly 90% of brides residing in Dublin City married grooms from the same area, while at the other end of the scale only 71% of Leitrim brides married grooms residing in Leitrim. See *tables 11 and 12*.

The future permanent residence of married couples was stated to be outside Ireland in 11% (2,316) of marriages in 2013. This compares to 2,065 (10%) in 2012. See *table 1*.

Almost one in four marriages were between brides and grooms of the same socio-economic group

In 2013, almost 24% (4,908) of all marriages involved the bride and groom being of the same socio-economic group.

Over half (57%) of grooms and over two-fifths (42%) of brides in the Professional Occupations' socio-economic group married an individual in the same group, 19% of grooms and 26% of brides in the 'Associate professional and Technical Occupations' married within their own group. 14% of grooms and 22% of brides in the Managers, Directors and Senior Officials' category married persons in the same socio-economic group. In the Unemployed, Retired, Student, Occupation unknown group 44% of grooms and 19% of brides married within their group.

There was a greater disparity apparent for the following socio-economic groups – In the Caring, Leisure and Other services occupations only 3% of brides and 27% of grooms married a partner from this group, almost 3% of grooms in the 'Process Plant and Machine Operatives' category and in the 'Skilled Trades Occupations' category married within their own group. For those in the Administrative and Secretarial Occupations' 29% of grooms and 8% of brides married within the group. In the 'Sales and Customer Services group, 19% of grooms and 9% of brides married within the group and in the 'Elementary Occupations' group, 15% of grooms and 28% of brides married within the group. See *table 6 and background notes*.

Number of divorces granted increased by nearly 3%

There were 2,949 divorces granted by the Circuit Court and the High Court in 2013. This was an increase of 57 on the 2012 figure. See *Table A*.

Civil Partnerships Legislation

Civil Partnerships, introduced by the Civil Partnership and Certain Rights and Obligations of Cohabitants Act 2010, enabled same-sex couples to obtain legal recognition of their relationship and this regulation was enacted on the 1st January 2011.

Over 69% of Civil Partnerships resident in Leinster

There were 338 civil partnership ceremonies in 2013, 208 male unions and 130 female unions. almost 74% (249) of these same-sex couples reside in the Leinster area with 139 same-sex partnerships (41%) living in Dublin City and a further 22% residing in the greater Dublin area. Excluding the Dublin area, Cork County had the highest number of civil partnerships registered in 2013 (18) and accounted for over 5% of all civil partnerships registered in that year. In contrast, Cavan, Leitrim, Longford, Monaghan, Offaly, Sligo or South Tipperary had no civil partnerships registered in 2013. See *Table 1A*.

Previous Marital Status of partners in registered Civil Partnerships

Of the 676 individual partners, 636 or 94% were previously single while 37 (5%) were divorcees and 2 were former Civil Partners. See *Tables 2A, 2B and 2C*.

Average Age of Partner in Civil Partnership higher than in Marriages

The average age of partner in civil partnership couples in 2013 was 39.3 years, the average age of male partner being 38.5 (average age of groom in marriage is 34.9) and female partner slightly higher at 40.6 (average age of bride in marriage 32.8).

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See Tables 2A, 2B and 2C.

Of all the male partnerships, over 41% indicate that there is a 1- 4 year difference in ages. Almost 49% of female partnerships indicate that there is 1-4 year age gap between couples. Over 5% of males and nearly 8% of female partnerships show no age difference between partners. See Table 6A.

Table 1 Summary data for marriages 1994-1996, 2002 and 2004-2013

	1994	1995	1996	2002	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
State	16,621	15,604	16,174	20,556	20,979	21,355	22,089	22,756	22,187	21,627	20,594	19,855	20,713	20,680
Marriages per 1,000 population	4.6	4.3	4.5	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	4.9	4.8	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.5
Average age of groom	29.8	30.0	30.2	32.5	33.0	33.1	33.2	33.4	33.8	34.0	34.1	34.6	34.7	34.9
Average age of bride	27.8	28.1	28.4	30.4	30.9	31.0	31.2	31.3	31.7	31.8	32.0	32.5	32.6	32.8
Percentage of marriages by age of groom	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Under 20	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6
20-24	14.9	12.8	10.8	5.4	4.5	4.8	4.7	4.0	3.0	3.3	3.0	2.3	2.5	2.4
25-29	47.4	46.5	46.3	34.6	31.5	30.3	29.4	29.1	27.7	27.2	25.4	22.4	21.8	20.0
30-34	24.3	27.3	29.0	34.9	36.6	37.0	37.0	37.5	37.5	36.8	38.3	39.7	39.8	41.0
35-39	7.3	7.8	8.2	13.6	14.9	14.7	15.7	16.3	17.0	17.3	17.8	18.6	18.8	19.0
Over 40	5.4	5.1	5.2	10.8	11.9	12.6	12.7	12.7	14.1	14.9	15.0	16.5	16.6	17.0
Percentage of marriages by age of bride	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Under 20	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.1	0.9	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
20-24	27.3	23.7	21.6	11.7	9.5	9.6	8.6	7.8	6.8	7.2	5.7	4.9	4.7	4.3
25-29	47.5	49.1	49.5	42.9	40.9	39.7	39.0	39.4	38.1	36.0	34.9	32.6	31.3	29.4
30-34	16.7	18.8	19.9	28.3	31.5	31.5	32.1	32.4	33.6	33.8	36.2	37.6	38.7	39.7
35-39	4.1	4.4	5.1	9.4	9.7	10.3	11.1	11.4	11.9	12.1	12.6	13.5	13.6	14.7
Over 40	2.8	2.4	2.7	6.5	7.2	7.6	7.9	7.8	8.7	9.6	9.3	10.3	10.5	10.8
Form of ceremony														
Roman Catholic	15,200	14,158	14,607	15,908	15,978	15,867	16,211	16,854	15,978	14,624	13,781	13,156	13,497	12,921
Church of Ireland	434	425	483	781	539	553	530	526	534	447	427	448	433	453
Presbyterian	51	76	91	112	127	119	161	176	160	111	89	67	84	72
Methodist	33	25	38	40	21	17	26	20	32	21	27	15	19	25
Jewish	3	1	2	6	4	5	2	1	-	5	-	-	-	1
Other religious	50	28	25	26	24	32	32	33	184	205	279	401	883	1,112
Civil marriages	850	891	928	3,683	4,286	4,762	5,127	5,146	5,299	6,214	5,991	5,768	5,797	6,096
Country of future residence														
Outside Republic of Ireland	2,661	2,502	2,604	2,293	2,057	1,890	1,917	1,798	1,909	1,835	1,762	1,843	2,065	2,316
Northern Ireland	235	216	271	256	281	257	346	330	367	362	289	304	318	319
England and Wales	1,477	1,338	1,295	1,119	1,047	990	932	915	981	899	810	846	925	947
Scotland	60	66	64	86	78	67	84	75	95	86	76	92	64	80
Europe (remainder)	166	203	222	182	130	129	115	113	114	124	146	139	148	152
U.S.A	509	490	570	480	353	281	248	211	165	158	164	169	176	198
Elsewhere	214	189	182	170	168	166	192	154	187	206	277	293	434	620
Not stated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	12	1	1	-	1
Percentage of marriages with country of residence outside Republic of Ireland	16.0	16.0	16.1	11.2	9.9	8.9	8.7	7.9	8.6	8.5	8.6	9.3	10.0	11.2

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Table 2 Age specific marriage rates, 2010-2013

Age	Marriages per 1,000 males at specified ages				Marriages per 1,000 females at specified ages			
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2010	2011	2012	2013
All ages, 16-49	17.2	16.6	17.7	17.9	17.4	16.9	17.8	18.1
16-19	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.1	2.5	1.9	2.2	2.2
20	1.9	1.7	2.3	2.5	3.7	3.1	3.9	3.6
21	2.6	1.8	2.6	1.8	5.0	3.5	4.8	4.6
22	3.1	2.6	2.4	3.1	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.6
23	4.8	3.8	4.8	4.1	7.9	7.5	7.5	8.9
24	6.4	5.6	6.5	6.9	12.3	12.1	12.6	12.0
20-24	3.9	3.1	3.7	3.7	7.1	6.4	7.0	7.0
25	11.8	10.8	10.3	10.2	19.0	17.2	17.9	18.4
26	18.9	15.2	16.4	16.2	30.2	25.6	26.9	27.9
27	26.8	24.2	26.3	22.9	36.9	34.9	38.3	35.7
28	36.5	33.5	37.3	36.2	44.7	43.1	45.2	45.5
29	43.6	39.6	44.3	45.3	50.8	47.5	49.7	51.0
25-29	28.1	25.4	27.7	26.9	36.7	34.4	36.5	36.6
30	45.7	42.8	48.3	51.1	49.0	46.3	51.7	51.4
31	47.8	46.5	47.7	49.9	46.8	45.5	46.0	50.5
32	42.5	42.9	45.3	46.6	38.9	36.9	39.9	39.5
33	38.7	38.5	39.9	42.1	31.5	32.0	34.1	34.9
34	32.3	30.8	33.8	37.4	26.6	25.7	26.6	28.6
30-34	41.5	40.5	43.1	45.3	38.9	37.6	39.9	41.0
35	26.9	27.8	31.5	29.7	20.8	21.3	21.9	24.3
36	23.4	22.3	22.7	24.1	17.2	17.4	17.4	19.1
37	19.5	20.7	20.3	19.9	13.7	13.2	15.2	14.6
38	17.7	16.9	17.6	19.2	10.4	11.4	12.0	12.3
39	13.5	13.2	15.0	15.7	10.0	10.6	10.6	11.9
35-39	20.3	20.3	21.5	21.8	14.5	14.8	15.5	16.5
40	13.1	11.9	11.8	13.4	8.5	8.0	8.5	9.1
41	10.8	10.5	9.9	12.0	5.7	6.4	6.7	5.8
42	9.2	8.6	9.1	8.9	6.0	6.0	5.6	6.6
43	7.6	7.0	9.0	7.8	4.5	5.0	4.7	4.5
44	6.4	6.2	7.0	6.7	4.8	4.9	4.0	4.5
40-44	9.5	8.9	9.4	9.8	5.9	6.1	6.0	6.2
45	5.2	6.4	6.4	5.6	3.6	4.3	4.0	4.4
46	4.4	5.0	5.3	5.7	3.0	3.7	4.2	3.9
47	4.5	5.1	4.5	4.8	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.6
48	4.1	4.7	4.6	3.9	2.4	3.1	3.3	2.5
49	3.5	4.2	4.1	3.9	2.7	2.6	2.8	2.9
45-49	4.3	5.1	5.0	4.8	2.9	3.4	3.5	3.5

Table 3 Marriages registered in 2013 classified according to age of groom/age of bride and form of ceremony

Age	Form of ceremony ¹				Civil Marriages	Total
	Catholic	Church of Ireland	Presbyterian	Other religious denominations		
Age of groom						
Under 20	110	–	–	–	8	118
20-24	215	8	5	33	229	490
25-29	2,739	99	18	174	1,114	4,144
30-34	6,127	172	29	394	1,757	8,479
35-39	2,486	93	9	220	1,118	3,926
40-44	833	49	6	120	676	1,684
45-49	241	18	3	74	411	747
50-54	75	5	1	57	306	444
55-59	35	4	1	35	206	281
60 and over	60	5	–	31	271	367
Total	12,921	453	72	1,138	6,096	20,680
Age of bride						
Under 20	144	1	–	4	82	231
20-24	361	16	6	59	452	894
25-29	4,324	150	25	236	1,336	6,071
30-34	5,753	179	26	436	1,818	8,212
35-39	1,731	78	14	183	1,026	3,032
40-44	397	14	–	94	548	1,053
45-49	121	3	–	71	351	546
50-54	36	6	–	32	229	303
55-59	25	4	1	15	134	179
60 and over	29	2	–	8	120	159
Total	12,921	453	72	1,138	6,096	20,680
Average age of groom	33.4	34.8	33.2	37.1	37.6	34.9
Average age of bride	31.7	32.4	31.0	34.6	35.0	32.8

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Table 4 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by occupational group and age of groom

Occupational group of groom	Age of groom										Average age of groom	
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over		All ages
Administrative and Secretarial occupations	—	14	149	380	151	64	34	16	11	14	833	35.0
Associate professional and Technical occupations	9	44	612	1,369	640	251	96	75	42	33	3,171	34.8
Caring, Leisure and Other service occupations	—	5	62	84	73	38	22	6	6	7	303	36.4
Elementary occupations	6	75	452	661	379	176	90	41	31	26	1,937	34.8
Managers, Directors and Senior officials	5	19	270	705	431	174	92	62	42	63	1,863	36.8
Process, Plant and Machine operatives	1	14	186	405	255	135	79	50	28	31	1,184	37.1
Professional occupations	—	26	809	2,256	947	358	123	65	41	61	4,686	34.7
Sales and Customer service occupations	2	45	204	229	101	48	16	6	4	2	657	32.5
Skilled trades occupations	13	94	1,136	2,131	848	392	176	99	58	72	5,019	34.5
Unemployed, Retired, Student, Occupation unknown	82	154	264	259	101	48	19	24	18	58	1,027	32.7
Total	118	490	4,144	8,479	3,926	1,684	747	444	281	367	20,680	34.9

Table 5 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by occupational group and age of bride

Occupational group of bride	Age of bride										Average age of bride	
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over		All ages
Administrative and Secretarial occupations	2	58	762	1,372	452	159	76	50	41	17	2,989	33.5
Associate professional and Technical occupations	14	38	627	1,047	403	110	52	31	14	13	2,349	33.1
Caring, Leisure and Other service occupations	11	126	925	756	307	136	88	42	16	20	2,427	32.5
Elementary occupations	29	138	289	270	134	65	32	26	14	11	1,008	32.2
Managers, Directors and Senior officials	2	22	302	490	210	73	53	25	8	8	1,193	34.0
Process, Plant and Machine operatives	—	4	32	45	28	9	7	2	—	—	127	33.7
Professional occupations	1	55	1,955	3,062	957	236	92	42	37	26	6,463	32.6
Sales and Customer service occupations	15	109	480	445	154	62	53	23	10	5	1,356	32.0
Skilled trades occupations	5	21	73	103	66	29	12	15	4	6	334	34.8
Unemployed, Retired, Student, Occupation unknown	152	323	626	622	321	174	81	47	35	53	2,434	32.4
Total	231	894	6,071	8,212	3,032	1,053	546	303	179	159	20,680	32.8

Table 6 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by occupational group of bride and groom

Occupational group of groom	Occupational group of bride										Total
	Administrative and Secretarial occupations	Associate professional and Technical occupations	Caring, Leisure and Other service occupations	Elementary occupations	Managers, Directors and Senior officials	Process, Plant and Machine operatives	Professional occupations	Sales and Customer service occupations	Skilled trades occupations	Unemployed, Retired, Student, Occupation unknown	
Administrative and Secretarial occupations	240	109	77	19	54	2	243	34	9	46	833
Associate professional and Technical occupations	476	603	335	72	205	12	1,008	180	37	243	3,171
Caring, Leisure and Other service occupations	31	29	81	14	14	1	71	21	5	36	303
Elementary occupations	301	140	298	283	68	14	238	199	35	361	1,937
Managers, Directors and Senior officials	284	237	158	60	265	9	560	118	22	150	1,863
Process, Plant and Machine operatives	204	78	226	78	49	32	170	106	33	208	1,184
Professional occupations	490	594	252	30	227	13	2,692	114	37	237	4,686
Sales and Customer service occupations	81	52	86	55	45	5	111	124	8	90	657
Skilled trades occupations	817	447	829	300	234	35	1,226	392	132	607	5,019
Unemployed, Retired, Student, Occupation unknown	65	60	85	97	32	4	144	68	16	456	1,027
Total	2,989	2,349	2,427	1,008	1,193	127	6,463	1,356	334	2,434	20,680

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Table 7 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by groom's age and bride's relative age

Age of groom	Relative age of bride						Total	
	10 or more years older	5 to 9 years older	1 to 4 years older	Same age	1 to 4 years younger	5 to 9 years younger		10 or more years younger
All ages	192	810	4,024	2,681	8,318	3,399	1,256	20,680
16	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1
17	–	–	6	1	3	–	–	10
18	–	1	15	28	6	–	–	50
19	–	3	11	16	27	–	–	57
Under 20	–	4	33	45	36	–	–	118
20	5	8	12	10	28	–	–	63
21	4	5	16	3	17	2	–	47
22	4	6	26	15	35	–	–	86
23	2	7	34	26	37	4	–	110
24	7	16	58	32	66	5	–	184
20-24	22	42	146	86	183	11	–	490
25	9	27	97	48	92	12	–	285
26	16	43	157	104	143	21	–	484
27	9	47	225	135	266	30	–	712
28	24	73	369	237	417	43	3	1,166
29	15	71	436	309	593	65	8	1,497
25-29	73	261	1,284	833	1,511	171	11	4,144
30	6	65	506	345	779	87	13	1,801
31	9	70	398	327	896	124	8	1,832
32	9	57	368	256	931	175	18	1,814
33	10	47	316	186	824	247	11	1,641
34	5	50	207	175	673	261	20	1,391
30-34	39	289	1,795	1,289	4,103	894	70	8,479
35	3	36	155	92	517	257	23	1,083
36	9	29	103	67	364	267	35	874
37	6	21	83	45	280	237	46	718
38	7	11	75	41	236	268	56	694
39	4	20	46	39	188	198	62	557
35-39	29	117	462	284	1,585	1,227	222	3,926
40	2	17	40	27	160	181	51	478
41	5	14	36	14	126	165	58	418
42	2	6	24	14	108	103	52	309
43	1	5	39	12	74	79	53	263
44	4	4	25	8	59	68	48	216
40-44	14	46	164	75	527	596	262	1,684
45	2	5	17	12	28	64	50	178
46	2	7	13	8	33	45	72	180
47	2	3	19	10	34	37	44	149
48	1	2	5	2	27	43	42	122
49	1	5	9	3	20	29	51	118
45-49	8	22	63	35	142	218	259	747
50-54	2	13	37	16	103	118	155	444
55-59	2	11	25	10	62	69	102	281
60-64	2	2	9	4	35	43	76	171
65-69	1	2	4	4	21	33	55	120
70-74	–	1	1	–	8	10	19	39
75 and over	–	–	1	–	2	9	25	37

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Table 8 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by bride's age and groom's relative age

Age of bride	Relative age of groom						Total	
	10 or more years older	5 to 9 years older	1 to 4 years older	Same age	1 to 4 years younger	5 to 9 years younger		10 or more years younger
All ages	1,256	3,399	8,318	2,681	4,024	810	192	20,680
16	-	2	8	-	-	-	-	10
17	-	-	11	1	-	-	-	12
18	17	15	40	28	6	-	-	106
19	21	22	34	16	10	-	-	103
Under 20	38	39	93	45	16	-	-	231
20	11	28	31	10	7	-	-	87
21	21	32	46	3	12	-	-	114
22	17	33	66	15	13	-	-	144
23	31	66	87	26	19	1	-	230
24	26	82	155	32	21	3	-	319
20-24	106	241	385	86	72	4	-	894
25	49	129	275	48	33	4	-	538
26	58	204	435	104	74	4	-	879
27	73	243	632	135	111	4	-	1,198
28	73	281	813	237	173	3	-	1,580
29	78	289	951	309	238	11	-	1,876
25-29	331	1,146	3,106	833	629	26	-	6,071
30	63	283	959	345	348	18	1	2,017
31	69	264	860	327	478	26	1	2,025
32	55	231	624	256	430	34	1	1,631
33	60	224	474	186	413	54	2	1,413
34	56	164	335	175	332	63	1	1,126
30-34	303	1,166	3,252	1,289	2,001	195	6	8,212
35	45	121	280	92	313	65	2	918
36	32	114	201	67	210	73	7	704
37	41	65	176	45	142	59	7	535
38	39	59	130	41	111	58	10	448
39	41	54	126	39	103	55	9	427
35-39	198	413	913	284	879	310	35	3,032
40	35	41	90	27	73	50	10	326
41	21	28	54	14	49	29	8	203
42	18	42	76	14	39	25	15	229
43	16	30	25	12	34	24	12	153
44	15	23	33	8	31	19	13	142
40-44	105	164	278	75	226	147	58	1,053
45	23	19	26	12	28	21	12	141
46	15	18	23	8	26	21	11	122
47	17	20	23	10	21	14	8	113
48	14	18	20	2	16	7	3	80
49	18	17	23	3	14	7	8	90
45-49	87	92	115	35	105	70	42	546
50-54	49	66	85	16	40	24	23	303
55-59	21	35	48	10	32	15	18	179
60-64	5	23	25	4	14	13	5	89
65-69	7	7	16	4	5	3	2	44
70-74	4	7	1	-	4	2	1	19
75 and over	2	-	1	-	1	1	2	7

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Table 9 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by age and area of residence of groom before marriage

Area of residence of groom	Age of groom										Total	Average age of groom
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over		
Total	118	490	4,144	8,479	3,926	1,684	747	444	281	367	20,680	34.9
LEINSTER	60	282	2,142	4,376	2,052	909	393	225	168	208	10,815	35.0
Carlow	1	5	48	100	58	18	5	2	2	5	244	34.6
Dublin City	10	74	551	1,055	525	219	83	51	34	45	2,647	34.7
South Dublin	5	41	242	443	222	88	33	17	21	23	1,135	34.7
Fingal	5	27	229	490	241	126	45	32	14	22	1,231	35.2
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	2	10	120	429	157	72	31	21	16	19	877	35.6
Kildare	6	19	194	356	163	82	36	11	13	19	899	34.9
Kilkenny	3	8	78	150	65	27	14	6	3	5	359	34.5
Laois	3	7	77	130	58	21	9	5	10	6	326	34.7
Longford	–	11	28	54	28	9	6	1	1	3	141	34.1
Louth	2	9	91	181	78	42	20	16	4	11	454	35.3
Meath	5	12	147	304	123	74	26	18	17	12	738	35.2
Offaly	6	14	74	119	52	14	12	5	4	6	306	33.8
Westmeath	3	7	80	136	68	36	14	11	2	5	362	34.7
Wexford	6	27	96	218	107	32	29	13	12	12	552	35.1
Wicklow	3	11	87	211	107	49	30	16	15	15	544	36.3
MUNSTER	17	89	861	1,876	916	372	179	106	60	89	4,565	35.2
Clare	1	8	66	168	73	46	17	12	4	8	403	35.6
Cork City	3	8	93	190	81	30	17	13	8	9	452	35.0
Cork County	3	19	270	632	313	124	49	33	21	33	1,497	35.4
Kerry	–	8	101	188	91	53	28	13	9	1	492	35.3
Limerick City	3	9	48	61	54	16	7	6	2	4	210	34.9
Limerick County	2	16	108	238	97	31	17	6	8	11	534	34.4
North Tipperary	2	9	59	123	62	26	11	4	–	4	300	34.2
South Tipperary	2	3	55	120	56	21	12	7	5	12	293	35.9
Waterford City	–	6	32	56	34	12	7	4	2	5	158	35.6
Waterford County	1	3	29	100	55	13	14	8	1	2	226	35.5
CONNACHT	29	59	386	847	408	141	67	37	20	24	2,018	34.3
Galway City	7	9	48	138	75	20	5	5	3	2	312	34.0
Galway County	8	25	116	296	135	50	19	15	5	6	675	34.1
Leitrim	1	2	26	42	28	9	5	2	3	3	121	35.5
Mayo	8	17	96	192	76	26	15	8	3	6	447	33.9
Roscommon	3	2	40	85	51	22	6	5	3	4	221	35.2
Sligo	2	4	60	94	43	14	17	2	3	3	242	34.4
ULSTER (part of)	7	21	253	381	157	65	35	17	15	9	960	34.1
Cavan	2	2	61	110	37	18	13	7	3	4	257	34.9
Donegal	5	16	144	188	87	38	20	8	11	4	521	34.0
Monaghan	–	3	48	83	33	9	2	2	1	1	182	33.2
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES												
Border	12	36	430	698	306	130	77	37	25	26	1,777	34.5
Midland	12	39	259	439	206	80	41	22	17	20	1,135	34.4
West	26	53	300	711	337	118	45	33	14	18	1,655	34.2
Dublin	22	152	1,142	2,417	1,145	505	192	121	85	109	5,890	34.9
Mid-East	14	42	428	871	393	205	92	45	45	46	2,181	35.4
Mid-West	8	42	281	590	286	119	52	28	14	27	1,447	34.8
South-East	13	52	338	744	375	123	81	40	25	41	1,832	35.1
South-West	6	35	464	1,010	485	207	94	59	38	43	2,441	35.3
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	113	451	3,642	7,480	3,533	1,487	674	385	263	330	18,358	34.9
NORTHERN IRELAND	1	17	89	127	58	34	15	8	6	9	364	34.9
BRITAIN	4	15	207	485	174	76	35	25	4	12	1,037	34.3
ELSEWHERE	–	7	206	387	161	87	23	26	8	16	921	34.9

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Table 10 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by age and area of residence of bride before marriage

Area of residence of bride	Age of bride										Total	Average age of bride
	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over		
Total	231	894	6,071	8,212	3,032	1,053	546	303	179	159	20,680	32.8
LEINSTER	146	512	3,064	4,237	1,594	591	338	171	104	94	10,851	33.0
Carlow	2	11	78	99	27	13	4	3	2	2	241	32.2
Dublin City	51	177	671	1,018	446	158	80	36	24	21	2,682	33.0
South Dublin	12	61	327	438	168	63	28	16	21	12	1,146	33.1
Fingal	15	52	313	500	214	60	41	14	16	6	1,231	33.2
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	–	15	203	431	125	51	25	15	5	17	887	34.0
Kildare	8	35	275	356	127	46	29	17	11	7	911	33.1
Kilkenny	6	6	109	143	46	22	12	6	–	3	353	32.8
Laois	4	15	102	122	38	22	8	6	1	2	320	32.5
Longford	7	11	48	46	18	6	5	2	1	1	145	31.6
Louth	6	19	158	165	67	33	18	6	4	5	481	33.1
Meath	5	26	231	269	101	37	25	14	4	5	717	33.0
Offaly	6	20	103	96	38	12	7	4	2	4	292	32.2
Westmeath	3	21	117	120	57	14	15	6	3	1	357	32.7
Wexford	17	28	168	208	62	22	18	12	3	5	543	32.4
Wicklow	4	15	161	226	60	32	23	14	7	3	545	33.4
MUNSTER	28	166	1,358	1,794	711	247	105	74	30	39	4,552	33.0
Clare	2	10	115	163	65	34	9	6	1	6	411	33.5
Cork City	–	23	133	178	78	25	5	8	6	5	461	33.1
Cork County	6	44	436	630	222	75	35	22	11	16	1,497	33.1
Kerry	1	13	153	180	89	28	11	6	4	2	487	33.0
Limerick City	3	16	69	56	36	16	8	4	–	1	209	32.5
Limerick County	7	23	171	229	66	21	6	10	4	4	541	32.4
North Tipperary	5	15	79	92	52	15	6	5	–	2	271	32.7
South Tipperary	3	10	92	109	49	11	13	6	3	2	298	33.0
Waterford City	1	5	44	60	23	6	5	4	1	1	150	33.3
Waterford County	–	7	66	97	31	16	7	3	–	–	227	32.9
CONNACHT	39	96	588	824	302	90	34	22	15	12	2,022	32.3
Galway City	6	18	90	133	64	14	6	2	2	1	336	32.3
Galway County	14	31	188	286	92	36	10	9	4	5	675	32.4
Leitrim	3	6	39	48	21	4	–	1	–	2	124	31.8
Mayo	12	21	155	189	56	16	6	4	3	3	465	31.8
Roscommon	2	6	59	78	35	9	9	3	2	1	204	33.3
Sligo	2	14	57	90	34	11	3	3	4	–	218	32.6
ULSTER (part of)	9	56	377	363	126	45	20	6	14	3	1,019	31.8
Cavan	3	9	93	103	36	16	7	1	10	–	278	32.8
Donegal	5	41	199	186	67	21	10	5	4	3	541	31.6
Monaghan	1	6	85	74	23	8	3	–	–	–	200	31.1
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES												
Border	20	95	631	666	248	93	41	16	22	10	1,842	32.2
Midland	20	67	370	384	151	54	35	18	7	8	1,114	32.4
West	34	76	492	686	247	75	31	18	11	10	1,680	32.3
Dublin	78	305	1,514	2,387	953	332	174	81	66	56	5,946	33.2
Mid-East	17	76	667	851	288	115	77	45	22	15	2,173	33.1
Mid-West	17	64	434	540	219	86	29	25	5	13	1,432	32.8
South-East	29	67	557	716	238	90	59	34	9	13	1,812	32.7
South-West	7	80	722	988	389	128	51	36	21	23	2,445	33.1
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	222	830	5,387	7,218	2,733	973	497	273	163	148	18,444	32.9
NORTHERN IRELAND	2	18	109	102	41	12	11	5	3	1	304	32.2
BRITAIN	6	18	284	471	131	35	23	10	4	2	984	32.5
ELSEWHERE	1	28	291	421	127	33	15	15	9	8	948	32.8

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Table 11 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by area of residence of groom before marriage, also showing whether bride has same area of residence

Area of residence of groom	Total	Area of residence of bride			Percentage of brides from same area as groom
		Same area as groom	Different area from groom: Republic of Ireland	Different area from groom: Not Republic of Ireland	
LOCAL AUTHORITY AREAS	18,358	15,835	2,340	183	86.3
Carlow	244	199	44	1	81.6
Dublin City	2,647	2,405	216	26	90.9
South Dublin	1,135	1,009	116	10	88.9
Fingal	1,231	1,082	126	23	87.9
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	877	764	109	4	87.1
Kildare	899	793	101	5	88.2
Kilkenny	359	295	63	1	82.2
Laois	326	273	52	1	83.7
Longford	141	112	29	–	79.4
Louth	454	409	36	9	90.1
Meath	738	629	103	6	85.2
Offaly	306	237	67	2	77.5
Westmeath	362	303	54	5	83.7
Wexford	552	483	63	6	87.5
Wicklow	544	479	60	5	88.1
Clare	403	358	42	3	88.8
Cork City	452	375	74	3	83.0
Cork County	1,497	1,335	155	7	89.2
Kerry	492	415	73	4	84.3
Limerick City	210	175	32	3	83.3
Limerick County	534	446	86	2	83.5
North Tipperary	300	223	75	2	74.3
South Tipperary	293	242	48	3	82.6
Waterford City	158	125	30	3	79.1
Waterford County	226	184	40	2	81.4
Galway City	312	256	49	7	82.1
Galway County	675	551	115	9	81.6
Leitrim	121	88	30	3	72.7
Mayo	447	385	58	4	86.1
Roscommon	221	159	62	–	71.9
Sligo	242	189	48	5	78.1
Cavan	257	215	38	4	83.7
Donegal	521	484	22	15	92.9
Monaghan	182	158	24	–	86.8
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES	18,358	16,805	1,370	183	91.5
Border	1,777	1,608	133	36	90.5
Midland	1,135	972	155	8	85.6
West	1,655	1,500	135	20	90.6
Dublin	5,890	5,594	233	63	95.0
Mid-East	2,181	1,923	242	16	88.2
Mid-West	1,447	1,279	158	10	88.4
South-East	1,832	1,644	172	16	89.7
South-West	2,441	2,285	142	14	93.6
PROVINCES	18,358	17,432	743	183	95.0
Leinster	10,815	10,419	292	104	96.3
Munster	4,565	4,317	216	32	94.6
Connacht	2,018	1,823	167	28	90.3
Ulster (part of)	960	873	68	19	90.9
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	18,358	18,175	–	183	99.0
NORTHERN IRELAND	364	265	96	3	72.8
BRITAIN	1,037	939	84	14	90.5
ELSEWHERE	921	809	89	23	87.8

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Table 12 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by area of residence of bride before marriage, also showing whether groom has same area of residence

Area of residence of bride	Total	Area of residence of groom			Percentage of grooms from same area as bride
		Same area as bride	Different area from bride:		
			Republic of Ireland	Republic of Ireland	
LOCAL AUTHORITY AREAS	18,444	15,835	2,340	269	85.9
Carlow	241	199	38	4	82.6
Dublin City	2,682	2,405	244	33	89.7
South Dublin	1,146	1,009	123	14	88.0
Fingal	1,231	1,082	132	17	87.9
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	887	764	110	13	86.1
Kildare	911	793	104	14	87.0
Kilkenny	353	295	57	1	83.6
Laois	320	273	46	1	85.3
Longford	145	112	30	3	77.2
Louth	481	409	53	19	85.0
Meath	717	629	84	4	87.7
Offaly	292	237	51	4	81.2
Westmeath	357	303	47	7	84.9
Wexford	543	483	55	5	89.0
Wicklow	545	479	60	6	87.9
Clare	411	358	51	2	87.1
Cork City	461	375	80	6	81.3
Cork County	1,497	1,335	147	15	89.2
Kerry	487	415	67	5	85.2
Limerick City	209	175	33	1	83.7
Limerick County	541	446	93	2	82.4
North Tipperary	271	223	43	5	82.3
South Tipperary	298	242	50	6	81.2
Waterford City	150	125	24	1	83.3
Waterford County	227	184	41	2	81.1
Galway City	336	256	74	6	76.2
Galway County	675	551	115	9	81.6
Leitrim	124	88	30	6	71.0
Mayo	465	385	69	11	82.8
Roscommon	204	159	42	3	77.9
Sligo	218	189	24	5	86.7
Cavan	278	215	58	5	77.3
Donegal	541	484	37	20	89.5
Monaghan	200	158	28	14	79.0
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES	18,444	16,805	1,370	269	91.1
Border	1,842	1,608	165	69	87.3
Midland	1,114	972	127	15	87.3
West	1,680	1,500	151	29	89.3
Dublin	5,946	5,594	275	77	94.1
Mid-East	2,173	1,923	226	24	88.5
Mid-West	1,432	1,279	143	10	89.3
South-East	1,812	1,644	149	19	90.7
South-West	2,445	2,285	134	26	93.5
PROVINCES	18,444	17,432	743	269	94.5
Leinster	10,851	10,419	287	145	96.0
Munster	4,552	4,317	190	45	94.8
Connacht	2,022	1,823	159	40	90.2
Ulster (part of)	1,019	873	107	39	85.7
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	18,444	18,175	-	269	98.5
NORTHERN IRELAND	304	265	31	8	87.2
BRITAIN	984	939	29	16	95.4
ELSEWHERE	948	809	123	16	85.3

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Table 13 Marriages celebrated in each county and city during 2013 classified by form of ceremony

Province, county or city	Form of ceremony ¹					Total
	Catholic	Church of Ireland	Presbyterian	Other religious denominations	Civil marriages	
TOTAL	12,921	453	72	1,138	6,096	20,680
LEINSTER	5,635	248	26	923	3,613	10,445
Carlow	210	18	–	6	116	350
Dublin City	725	36	6	142	1,714	2,623
South Dublin	399	17	3	67	45	531
Fingal	356	12	1	114	67	550
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	231	14	2	66	33	346
Kildare	544	28	1	125	329	1,027
Kilkenny	344	7	–	11	102	464
Laois	278	16	2	12	60	368
Longford	113	4	1	1	50	169
Louth	328	7	4	35	181	555
Meath	674	9	3	163	237	1,086
Offaly	275	12	1	12	84	384
Westmeath	304	8	–	19	124	455
Wexford	446	18	–	43	190	697
Wicklow	408	42	2	107	281	840
MUNSTER	4,050	103	2	155	1,410	5,720
Clare	467	1	–	11	30	509
Cork City	309	2	1	7	395	714
Cork County	1,168	60	–	56	179	1,463
Kerry	676	9	–	24	198	907
Limerick City	102	4	–	–	278	384
Limerick County	469	10	–	10	23	512
North Tipperary	288	6	–	9	60	363
South Tipperary	260	8	–	8	110	386
Waterford City	75	–	1	15	85	176
Waterford County	236	3	–	15	52	306
CONNACHT	2,103	23	1	32	671	2,830
Galway City	188	1	–	5	62	256
Galway County	638	5	–	12	305	960
Leitrim	163	6	–	1	27	197
Mayo	642	4	–	7	90	743
Roscommon	229	–	–	–	52	281
Sligo	243	7	1	7	135	393
ULSTER (part of)	1,133	79	43	28	402	1,685
Cavan	250	24	3	13	182	472
Donegal	664	37	31	12	177	921
Monaghan	219	18	9	3	43	292
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES						
Border	1,867	99	48	71	745	2,830
Midland	970	40	4	44	318	1,376
West	1,697	10	–	24	509	2,240
Dublin	1,711	79	12	389	1,859	4,050
Mid-East	1,626	79	6	395	847	2,953
Mid-West	1,326	21	–	30	391	1,768
South-East	1,571	54	1	98	655	2,379
South-West	2,153	71	1	87	772	3,084

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Table 14 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by area of residence of groom and form of ceremony

Area of residence of groom	Form of ceremony ¹					Total
	Catholic	Church of Ireland	Presbyterian	Other religious denominations	Civil marriages	
TOTAL	12,921	453	72	1,138	6,096	20,680
LEINSTER	6,099	215	12	813	3,676	10,815
Carlow	168	11	–	4	61	244
Dublin City	1,153	41	2	207	1,244	2,647
South Dublin	607	17	1	130	380	1,135
Fingal	662	17	1	140	411	1,231
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	473	41	2	77	284	877
Kildare	552	16	4	70	257	899
Kilkenny	269	4	–	5	81	359
Laois	222	10	1	10	83	326
Longford	95	1	–	1	44	141
Louth	298	4	1	33	118	454
Meath	484	8	–	67	179	738
Offaly	236	9	–	4	57	306
Westmeath	238	4	–	10	110	362
Wexford	373	15	–	10	154	552
Wicklow	269	17	–	45	213	544
MUNSTER	3,165	73	–	96	1,231	4,565
Clare	296	1	–	6	100	403
Cork City	259	5	–	9	179	452
Cork County	1,054	41	–	40	362	1,497
Kerry	346	5	–	9	132	492
Limerick City	117	3	–	–	90	210
Limerick County	391	5	–	7	131	534
North Tipperary	250	6	–	4	40	300
South Tipperary	198	3	–	4	88	293
Waterford City	94	1	–	11	52	158
Waterford County	160	3	–	6	57	226
CONNACHT	1,518	12	–	27	461	2,018
Galway City	194	–	–	7	111	312
Galway County	518	2	–	8	147	675
Leitrim	96	1	–	1	23	121
Mayo	368	1	–	7	71	447
Roscommon	176	–	–	2	43	221
Sligo	166	8	–	2	66	242
ULSTER (part of)	680	50	34	18	178	960
Cavan	164	16	5	11	61	257
Donegal	371	28	24	6	92	521
Monaghan	145	6	5	1	25	182
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES:						
Border	1,240	63	35	54	385	1,777
Midland	791	24	1	25	294	1,135
West	1,256	3	–	24	372	1,655
Dublin	2,895	116	6	554	2,319	5,890
Mid-East	1,305	41	4	182	649	2,181
Mid-West	1,054	15	–	17	361	1,447
South-East	1,262	37	–	40	493	1,832
South-West	1,659	51	–	58	673	2,441
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	11,462	350	46	954	5,546	18,358
NORTHERN IRELAND	205	27	13	20	99	364
BRITAIN	711	50	8	70	198	1,037
ELSEWHERE	543	26	5	94	253	921

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Table 15 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by area of residence of bride and form of ceremony

Area of residence of bride	Form of ceremony ¹					Total
	Catholic	Church of Ireland	Presbyterian	Other religious denominations	Civil marriages	
TOTAL	12,921	453	72	1,138	6,096	20,680
LEINSTER	6,116	230	14	820	3,671	10,851
Carlow	164	14	—	4	59	241
Dublin City	1,164	38	3	223	1,254	2,682
South Dublin	616	21	1	131	377	1,146
Fingal	663	19	2	142	405	1,231
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	478	41	2	79	287	887
Kildare	559	20	3	65	264	911
Kilkenny	258	4	—	6	85	353
Laois	217	11	1	10	81	320
Longford	102	2	—	—	41	145
Louth	317	6	1	36	121	481
Meath	476	8	—	62	171	717
Offaly	222	9	—	3	58	292
Westmeath	230	6	—	8	113	357
Wexford	375	16	—	7	145	543
Wicklow	275	15	1	44	210	545
MUNSTER	3,169	70	—	100	1,213	4,552
Clare	302	2	—	6	101	411
Cork City	267	5	—	12	177	461
Cork County	1,054	39	—	38	366	1,497
Kerry	354	4	—	9	120	487
Limerick City	120	3	—	1	85	209
Limerick County	397	5	—	4	135	541
North Tipperary	219	5	—	7	40	271
South Tipperary	206	4	—	5	83	298
Waterford City	87	1	—	11	51	150
Waterford County	163	2	—	7	55	227
CONNACHT	1,535	11	—	27	449	2,022
Galway City	226	—	—	6	104	336
Galway County	517	1	—	11	146	675
Leitrim	98	2	—	2	22	124
Mayo	388	2	—	7	68	465
Roscommon	157	—	—	—	47	204
Sligo	149	6	—	1	62	218
ULSTER (part of)	737	51	32	18	181	1,019
Cavan	185	17	3	10	63	278
Donegal	394	28	20	5	94	541
Monaghan	158	6	9	3	24	200
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES:						
Border	1,301	65	33	57	386	1,842
Midland	771	28	1	21	293	1,114
West	1,288	3	—	24	365	1,680
Dublin	2,921	119	8	575	2,323	5,946
Mid-East	1,310	43	4	171	645	2,173
Mid-West	1,038	15	—	18	361	1,432
South-East	1,253	41	—	40	478	1,812
South-West	1,675	48	—	59	663	2,445
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	11,557	362	46	965	5,514	18,444
NORTHERN IRELAND	165	20	15	13	91	304
BRITAIN	676	48	7	69	184	984
ELSEWHERE	523	23	4	91	307	948

Table 16 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by month and day of week of marriage

Month of occurrence	Day of occurrence							Total
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
January	2	43	45	47	103	212	103	555
February	4	31	27	50	142	317	187	758
March	24	41	36	53	149	538	499	1,340
April	5	83	69	67	229	608	527	1,588
May	23	88	59	90	280	841	578	1,959
June	36	74	72	73	250	670	880	2,055
July	28	87	82	140	313	806	786	2,242
August	63	109	91	136	504	1,094	1,074	3,071
September	37	94	72	79	323	867	813	2,285
October	27	51	76	73	226	674	613	1,740
November	9	48	46	52	117	546	425	1,243
December	55	295	51	79	263	584	517	1,844
Total	313	1,044	726	939	2,899	7,757	7,002	20,680

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Table 17 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by form of ceremony and previous marital status of partners

Marriages contracted between	Form of ceremony ¹					Total	
	Catholic Church of Ireland	453	Presbyterian	72	Other religious denominations		1,138
Total	12,921	453	72	1,138	6,096	20,680	
Single men and single women	12,639	405	69	840	4,288	18,241	
Single men and widows	23	1	–	4	37	65	
Widowers and single women	52	3	–	7	43	105	
Widowers and widows	19	1	–	3	16	39	
Divorced men and single women	105	26	2	148	686	967	
Single men and divorced women	64	11	–	79	554	708	
Divorced men and widows	4	1	–	4	45	54	
Widowers and divorced women	8	2	–	7	54	71	
Divorced men and divorced women	7	3	1	46	373	430	

Table 18 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by county of residence and previous marital status of groom

Area of residence of groom	Single men	Widowers	Divorcees	Total
TOTAL	19,014	215	1,451	20,680
LEINSTER	9,919	110	786	10,815
Carlow	223	4	17	244
Dublin City	2,471	25	151	2,647
South Dublin	1,045	5	85	1,135
Fingal	1,111	17	103	1,231
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	796	9	72	877
Kildare	822	6	71	899
Kilkenny	343	2	14	359
Laois	296	7	23	326
Longford	129	2	10	141
Louth	415	5	34	454
Meath	674	8	56	738
Offaly	284	5	17	306
Westmeath	337	2	23	362
Wexford	492	4	56	552
Wicklow	481	9	54	544
MUNSTER	4,215	52	298	4,565
Clare	373	4	26	403
Cork City	418	3	31	452
Cork County	1,380	24	93	1,497
Kerry	454	4	34	492
Limerick City	192	1	17	210
Limerick County	496	3	35	534
North Tipperary	284	1	15	300
South Tipperary	265	7	21	293
Waterford City	142	3	13	158
Waterford County	211	2	13	226
CONNACHT	1,905	15	98	2,018
Galway City	299	2	11	312
Galway County	636	4	35	675
Leitrim	113	2	6	121
Mayo	422	4	21	447
Roscommon	207	1	13	221
Sligo	228	2	12	242
ULSTER (part of)	888	5	67	960
Cavan	234	1	22	257
Donegal	478	3	40	521
Monaghan	176	1	5	182
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES:				
Border	1,644	14	119	1,777
Midland	1,046	16	73	1,135
West	1,564	11	80	1,655
Dublin	5,423	56	411	5,890
Mid-East	1,977	23	181	2,181
Mid-West	1,345	9	93	1,447
South-East	1,676	22	134	1,832
South-West	2,252	31	158	2,441
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	16,927	182	1,249	18,358
NORTHERN IRELAND	315	14	35	364
BRITAIN	951	9	77	1,037
ELSEWHERE	821	10	90	921

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Table 19 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by county of residence and previous marital status of bride

Area of residence of bride	Single women	Widows	Divorcees	Total
TOTAL	19,313	158	1,209	20,680
LEINSTER	10,099	90	662	10,851
Carlow	225	3	13	241
Dublin City	2,497	20	165	2,682
South Dublin	1,063	14	69	1,146
Fingal	1,161	5	65	1,231
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	835	9	43	887
Kildare	842	9	60	911
Kilkenny	333	3	17	353
Laois	294	2	24	320
Longford	135	1	9	145
Louth	442	2	37	481
Meath	671	5	41	717
Offaly	269	5	18	292
Westmeath	330	3	24	357
Wexford	507	3	33	543
Wicklow	495	6	44	545
MUNSTER	4,248	48	256	4,552
Clare	381	3	27	411
Cork City	438	3	20	461
Cork County	1,388	21	88	1,497
Kerry	455	7	25	487
Limerick City	192	2	15	209
Limerick County	509	3	29	541
North Tipperary	253	4	14	271
South Tipperary	274	3	21	298
Waterford City	142	1	7	150
Waterford County	216	1	10	227
CONNACHT	1,930	6	86	2,022
Galway City	322	–	14	336
Galway County	641	3	31	675
Leitrim	119	–	5	124
Mayo	449	2	14	465
Roscommon	190	1	13	204
Sligo	209	–	9	218
ULSTER (part of)	958	4	57	1,019
Cavan	254	1	23	278
Donegal	510	3	28	541
Monaghan	194	–	6	200
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES:				
Border	1,728	6	108	1,842
Midland	1,028	11	75	1,114
West	1,602	6	72	1,680
Dublin	5,556	48	342	5,946
Mid-East	2,008	20	145	2,173
Mid-West	1,335	12	85	1,432
South-East	1,697	14	101	1,812
South-West	2,281	31	133	2,445
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	17,235	148	1,061	18,444
NORTHERN IRELAND	278	1	25	304
BRITAIN	941	3	40	984
ELSEWHERE	859	6	83	948

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Table 22 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by age and previous marital status of groom

Age	Single Men	Widowers	Divorcees	Total
Total	19,014	215	1,451	20,680
Age of groom				
Under 20	118	–	–	118
20-24	488	–	2	490
25-29	4,126	2	16	4,144
30-34	8,376	9	94	8,479
35-39	3,726	17	183	3,926
40-44	1,414	13	257	1,684
45-49	451	22	274	747
50-54	176	20	248	444
55-59	69	29	183	281
60 and over	70	103	194	367
Average age of groom	33.6	58.5	48.6	34.9

Table 23 Marriages registered in 2013 classified by age and previous marital status of bride

Age	Single women	Widows	Divorcees	Total
Total	19,313	158	1,209	20,680
Age of bride				
Under 20	231	–	–	231
20-24	889	–	5	894
25-29	6,022	–	49	6,071
30-34	8,043	10	159	8,212
35-39	2,773	16	243	3,032
40-44	817	15	221	1,053
45-49	308	15	223	546
50-54	125	26	152	303
55-59	61	24	94	179
60 and over	44	52	63	159
Average age of bride	32.0	54.0	44.0	32.8

Table A Divorce, Judicial Separation and Nullity applications received and granted by the courts in year ending December 2013

Court	County	Divorce Applications		Judicial Separation Applications		Nullity Applications	
		Received	Granted	Received	Granted	Received	Granted
TOTAL		3,609	2,949	1,317	824	48	9
CIRCUIT COURT							
Leinster		2,145	1,751	703	428	20	4
Carlow	Carlow	41	45	16	14	–	–
Dublin	Dublin	1,347	1,030	440	226	16	1
Naas	Kildare	111	136	50	49	2	–
Kilkenny	Kilkenny	67	74	22	30	1	1
Portlaoise	Laois	55	38	11	7	–	1
Longford	Longford	18	17	7	2	–	–
Dundalk	Louth	94	74	27	21	1	–
Trim	Meath	94	94	39	30	–	–
Tullamore	Offaly	45	72	10	14	–	1
Mullingar	Westmeath	75	36	24	2	–	–
Wexford	Wexford	110	97	18	22	–	–
Wicklow	Wicklow	88	38	39	11	–	–
Munster		968	756	379	233	7	3
Ennis	Clare	100	83	29	26	–	–
Cork	Cork	425	274	180	73	1	3
Tralee	Kerry	97	74	41	29	4	–
Limerick	Limerick	132	130	48	32	1	–
Clonmel	Tipperary	127	121	53	50	1	–
Waterford	Waterford	87	74	28	23	–	–
Connacht		338	266	143	101	18	2
Galway	Galway	167	124	76	61	14	1
Carrick on Shannon	Leitrim	17	17	6	9	1	–
Castlebar	Mayo	74	67	27	18	1	–
Roscommon	Roscommon	42	31	12	7	2	–
Siligo	Siligo	38	27	22	6	–	1
Ulster		147	151	67	42	1	–
Cavan	Cavan	26	40	20	16	–	–
Letterkenny	Donegal	83	84	24	13	–	–
Monaghan	Monaghan	38	27	23	13	1	–
TOTAL CIRCUIT COURT		3,598	2,924	1,292	804	46	9
TOTAL HIGH COURT		11	25	25	20	2	–
TOTAL SUPREME COURT		–	–	–	–	–	–

Source: Courts Service.

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Table 1A Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by future area of residence of partners

Area of residence of partners	All partnerships	Male partnerships	Female partnerships
TOTAL	338	208	130
LEINSTER	249	163	86
Carlow	1	1	–
Dublin City	139	109	30
South Dublin	25	16	9
Fingal	27	9	18
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	22	10	12
Kildare	10	5	5
Kilkenny	4	3	1
Laois	1	–	1
Longford	–	–	–
Louth	4	2	2
Meath	4	3	1
Offaly	–	–	–
Westmeath	2	1	1
Wexford	4	3	1
Wicklow	6	1	5
MUNSTER	51	25	26
Clare	6	3	3
Cork City	7	3	4
Cork County	18	12	6
Kerry	3	1	2
Limerick City	6	2	4
Limerick County	5	1	4
North Tipperary	1	–	1
South Tipperary	–	–	–
Waterford City	4	2	2
Waterford County	1	1	–
CONNACHT	16	8	8
Galway City	4	2	2
Galway County	5	3	2
Leitrim	–	–	–
Mayo	6	2	4
Roscommon	1	1	–
Sligo	–	–	–
ULSTER (part of)	1	1	–
Cavan	–	–	–
Donegal	1	1	–
Monaghan	–	–	–
REGIONAL AUTHORITIES			
Border	5	3	2
Midland	3	1	2
West	16	8	8
Dublin	213	144	69
Mid-East	20	9	11
Mid-West	18	6	12
South-East	14	10	4
South-West	28	16	12
REPUBLIC OF IRELAND	317	197	120
OUTSIDE THE STATE	21	11	10

Table 2A Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by previous civil status and average age of partners

Total	Single	Widows/Widowers	Divorcees	Former Civil Partner	Average age of partner
676	636	1	37	2	39.3

Table 2B Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by previous civil status and average age of male partners

Total	Single men	Widowers	Divorcees	Former Civil Partner	Average age of male partner
416	401	1	12	2	38.5

Table 2C Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by previous civil status and average age of female partners

Total	Single women	Widows	Divorcees	Former Civil Partner	Average age of female partner
260	235	–	25	–	40.6

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Table 3A Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by older partner's age and younger partner's relative age

All partners Age	Total older partners	Younger partner									
		Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over
Older partner	338	1	29	70	85	59	33	29	11	15	6
Under 20	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
20-24	3	–	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
25-29	28	1	13	14	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
30-34	69	–	7	31	31	–	–	–	–	–	–
35-39	63	–	5	10	35	13	–	–	–	–	–
40-44	53	–	1	8	11	25	8	–	–	–	–
45-49	38	–	–	2	3	10	15	8	–	–	–
50-54	34	–	–	4	2	6	6	13	3	–	–
55-59	25	–	–	–	1	4	2	7	3	8	–
60 and over	25	–	–	1	2	1	2	1	5	7	6

Table 4A Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by older male partner's age and younger male partner's relative age

Male partners Age	Total male partners All ages	Younger male partner									
		Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over
Older male partner	208	–	20	48	52	40	18	19	4	6	1
Under 20	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
20-24	1	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
25-29	18	–	10	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
30-34	44	–	4	20	20	–	–	–	–	–	–
35-39	43	–	4	7	22	10	–	–	–	–	–
40-44	31	–	1	6	7	14	3	–	–	–	–
45-49	20	–	–	2	1	6	7	4	–	–	–
50-54	23	–	–	4	–	5	5	8	1	–	–
55-59	13	–	–	–	–	4	1	6	–	2	–
60 and over	15	–	–	1	2	1	2	1	3	4	1

Table 5A Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by older female partner's age and younger female partner's relative age

Female partners Age	Total female partners all ages	Younger female partner									
		Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over
Older female partner	130	1	9	22	33	19	15	10	7	9	5
Under 20	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
20-24	2	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
25-29	10	1	3	6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
30-34	25	–	3	11	11	–	–	–	–	–	–
35-39	20	–	1	3	13	3	–	–	–	–	–
40-44	22	–	–	2	4	11	5	–	–	–	–
45-49	18	–	–	2	4	8	4	–	–	–	–
50-54	11	–	–	–	2	1	1	5	2	–	–
55-59	12	–	–	–	1	–	1	3	6	–	–
60 and over	10	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	3	5	–

Table 6A Civil Partnerships registered in 2013 classified by age difference of partners in years and percentage

	Total Number	No age difference		1 to 4 years difference		5 to 9 years difference		10 or more years difference	
		Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
All Partnerships	338	21	6.2	149	44.1	100	29.6	68	20.1
Male Partnerships	208	11	5.3	86	41.3	58	27.9	53	25.5
Female partnerships	130	10	7.7	63	48.5	42	32.3	15	11.5

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Background Notes

Source

These statistics have been compiled from the marriage registration forms of all marriages registered in the Republic of Ireland in 2013.

The release has been prepared by the Central Statistics Office for the Minister for Health and Children in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of the Vital Statistics and Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act, 1952 and Section 73 of the Civil Registration Act, 2004.

Methodology

Where the weekday and month of a marriage are specified in this release, it refers to the date on which the marriage occurred. Note that some marriages registered in 2013 (and hence included in these statistics) occurred in years before 2012.

Form of Ceremony

Marriages celebrated according to the rites and ceremonies of the Roman Catholic Church, the rites and ceremonies of the Church of Ireland, the forms and disciplines of the Presbyterian Church, the usages of the Methodist Church, the usages of people professing the Jewish religion have been classified under their respective religions. The usages of certain other Religious Bodies have been classified under 'other religious'. Marriages celebrated according to The Procedures of the Humanist Association, are included in the figure for Civil marriages. (*Tables 1, 13, 14, 15 and 17 refer*)

Standard Occupation Codes (SOC2010)

This classification is determined by a person's occupation. The men and women whose marriages were registered in 2012 were classified by standard occupation codes. This replaces the socio-economic group classification used up to 2011.

Standard Occupation Codes	Occupations included are as listed
4	Administrative and secretarial occupations
3	Associate professional and Technical occupations
6	Caring, Leisure and Other service occupations
9	Elementary occupations
1	Managers, Directors and Senior officials
8	Process, Plant and Machine operatives
2	Professional occupations
7	Sales and Customer service occupations
5	Skilled trades occupations
0	Unemployed, Retired, Student and occupation unknown

[Standard Occupational Classification Codes \(SOC2010\) \(XLS 85KB\)](#)

Area of residence

Four classifications of district are available: that in which the marriage took place, the areas of residence of the bride and groom prior to marriage, and the intended future residence.

Age specific marriage rates

The age specific marriage rates are calculated as follows:

Age Specific Rate = Number of Males (or Females) of that age whose marriages were registered multiplied by 1,000 and divided by Population of Males (or Females) of that age. The small number of marriages for which the age is not stated are distributed in proportion before this calculation is made.

Marriages/Civil Partnerships per 1,000 population

This is calculated for each year as follows:

Marriages and Civil Partnerships 2013 (full)



Marriages/Civil Partnerships per 1,000 population = Number of Marriages/Civil partnerships registered multiplied by 1,000 and divided by population. The 2013 estimated usual residence population is 4,593,100.

NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions

The regional classifications in this release are based on the NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units) classification used by Eurostat. The NUTS3 regions correspond to the eight Regional Authorities established under the Local Government Act, 1991 (Regional Authorities) (Establishment) Order, 1993, which came into operation on 1 January 1994. The NUTS2 regions, which were proposed by Government and agreed by Eurostat in 1999, are groupings of the NUTS3 regions. The composition of the regions is set out below.

Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region

Border	Cavan Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo	Dublin	Dublin City Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Fingal South Dublin
Midland	Laois Longford Offaly Westmeath	Mid-East	Kildare Meath Wicklow
West	Galway City Galway County Mayo Roscommon	Mid-West	Clare Limerick City Limerick County North Tipperary
		South-East	Carlow Kilkenny South Tipperary Waterford City Waterford County Wexford
		South-West	Cork City Cork County Kerry

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