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CITY OR TOWN	TOTAL PERSONS	Catholics	TOTAL OTHER RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS		OTHER RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS				Percentage* Increase or Decrease 1936 to 1946	
			As percentage of total persons	Actual Numbers	Protestant Episcopalians	Presbyterians	Methodists	Others (including no statement)	Catholics	Other Religious Denominations
			%						%	%
1. Dublin Co. Borough ...	506,051	461,816	8.7	44,235	31,290	4,013	2,864	6,062	+ 9.6	-14.5
2. Dun Laoghaire Borough	44,674	36,417	18.5	8,257	6,523	756	412	566	+15.0	+ 1.7
Total 1—2 ...	550,725	498,213	9.5	52,492	37,819	4,769	3,276	6,628	+10.0	-12.3
3. Cork Co. Borough ...	75,595	73,290	3.0	2,305	1,648	144	177	336	- 5.4	-29.1
4. Limerick Co. Borough ...	42,970	41,903	2.5	1,067	783	67	74	143	+ 5.3	-16.2
5. Waterford Co. Borough ...	28,269	27,410	2.9	829	610	45	63	102	+ 1.4	- 8.1
Total 3—5 ...	146,834	142,633	2.9	4,201	3,050	256	314	581	- 1.2	-22.6
6. Galway ...	20,370	20,007	1.8	363	264	52	22	25	+12.1	-17.3
7. Dundalk ...	18,562	17,072	4.8	890	558	229	66	37	+ 8.0	-16.3
8. Drogheda ...	15,715	15,224	3.1	491	373	52	34	32	+ 0.3	-12.8
9. Sligo ...	12,920	12,065	6.6	855	674	98	61	22	+ 4.8	-10.0
10. Wexford ...	12,296	12,085	1.7	211	156	22	10	14	+ 0.7	-13.2
11. Bray ...	11,085	9,511	14.2	1,574	1,225	145	89	115	+11.7	- 1.3
12. Kilkenny ...	10,291	9,969	3.1	322	274	16	13	19	+ 1.5	-22.6
Total 6—12 ...	101,239	96,533	4.6	4,706	3,524	614	304	264	+ 7.3	-12.4
13. Tralee ...	9,990	9,840	1.3	150	122	7	9	12	- 2.2	-32.1
14. Clonmel ...	9,857	9,699	1.6	158	130	17	8	3	+ 6.3	-41.3
15. Athlone ...	8,379	8,048	4.0	331	268	14	18	31	+18.3	-27.1
16. Suburbs of Cork City, S.E.	8,103	7,171	11.5	932	599	101	102	130	+10.7	- 0.0
17. Carlow ...	7,466	7,164	4.0	302	251	14	21	16	- 1.5	-19.7
18. Suburbs of Cork City, S.W.	6,179	5,683	8.0	496	364	26	41	65	+22.5	- 2.6
19. Ballina ...	6,045	5,890	2.6	155	111	14	17	13	+ 6.5	-20.5
20. Enniscorthy ...	6,020	5,752	4.5	268	244	9	10	5	+ 2.4	+ 5.5
21. Thurles ...	6,011	5,966	0.7	45	32	1	1	11	+ 6.9	-31.8
22. Killarney ...	5,947	5,802	2.4	145	123	6	1	15	+ 5.3	+49.5
23. Tullamore ...	5,897	5,728	2.9	169	108	30	25	—	+16.7	-24.9
24. Ennis ...	5,871	5,808	1.1	63	52	11	—	—	+ 0.0	-30.8
25. Cobh ...	5,619	5,327	5.2	292	260	12	7	13	- 7.8	-26.6
26. Mullingar ...	5,445	5,312	2.4	133	115	6	7	5	+ 4.5	-12.5
27. Ballinasloe ...	5,421	5,293	2.4	128	100	13	3	12	- 6.5	-25.1
28. Dungarvan ...	5,276	5,187	1.7	89	52	5	18	14	- 1.6	- 2.2
29. Tipperary ...	5,267	5,233	0.6	34	32	—	1	1	- 1.0	-20.2
30. Mallow ...	5,215	5,099	2.2	116	113	—	1	2	+ 6.6	-20.7
Total 13—30 ...	118,008	114,002	3.4	4,006	3,076	292	290	348	+ 4.3	-15.0
31. Castlebar ...	4,951	4,370	1.6	81	61	2	4	14	+ 2.6	—
32. Arklow ...	4,915	4,578	6.9	337	304	4	29	—	+ 8.7	-28.1
33. New Ross ...	4,894	4,316	1.6	78	66	1	1	10	- 2.3	-37.6
34. Carrick-on-Suir ...	4,859	4,346	0.3	13	9	—	—	4	+ 0.6	-43.5
35. Youghal ...	4,809	4,580	4.8	229	165	12	37	15	- 6.9	+ 9.0
36. Monaghan ...	4,676	4,037	13.7	639	385	238	15	1	- 0.5	-11.4
37. Nenagh ...	4,516	4,415	2.2	101	84	—	2	15	- 7.0	-34.4
38. Fermoy ...	4,213	4,141	1.7	72	55	10	—	7	+ 2.6	-18.2
39. An Uaimh (Navan) ...	4,102	3,983	2.9	119	98	15	1	5	- 0.0	-15.0
40. Longford ...	4,020	3,365	3.9	155	127	5	15	8	+ 6.8	-17.6
41. Tuam ...	3,868	3,304	1.7	64	54	—	5	5	- 7.5	- 8.6
42. Naas ...	3,774	3,676	2.6	98	91	3	—	4	+15.8	-14.8
43. Athy ...	3,639	3,490	4.1	149	106	23	18	2	+ 0.9	-12.4
44. Cavan ...	3,477	3,151	9.4	326	237	56	17	10	+ 5.0	-10.8
45. Killrush ...	3,351	3,324	0.8	27	24	1	—	2	- 2.3	+12.5
46. Llstowel ...	3,311	3,290	0.6	21	20	1	—	—	+ 7.2	-30.0
47. Westport ...	3,240	3,138	3.1	102	88	8	4	2	- 4.5	-17.1
48. Birr ...	3,224	3,003	6.9	221	173	16	26	6	+ 0.6	-28.9
49. Wicklow ...	3,183	2,957	7.1	226	182	9	26	9	+ 1.1	-12.4
50. Portlaoigise (Maryborough)	3,170	3,005	5.2	165	141	6	14	4	- 5.6	-22.9
51. Droichead Nua (New-bridge) ...	3,151	3,076	2.4	75	67	3	2	3	+36.0	-34.2
52. Roscrea ...	3,069	2,865	6.6	204	151	—	47	6	+ 2.1	-19.4
53. Cashel ...	3,063	3,035	0.9	28	27	1	—	—	+ 2.1	-48.1
54. Edenderry ...	2,996	2,890	3.5	106	91	5	4	6	+48.7	-28.9

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55. Loughrea ...	2,887	2,870	0.3	8	3	—	1	4	+ 0.3	—63.6
56. Letterkenny ...	2,848	2,569	9.8	279	167	97	—	15	+11.2	—17.7
57. Clonakilty ...	2,825	2,696	4.6	129	107	1	21	—	— 4.5	— 5.8
58. Middleton ...	2,792	2,692	3.6	100	85	12	2	1	+ 2.7	— 9.9
59. Newcastle (Limerick) ...	2,792	2,777	0.5	15	13	—	—	2	— 5.1	— 6.3
60. Mountmellick ...	2,737	2,523	7.8	214	145	20	34	15	+19.9	+ 2.4
61. Buncrana ...	2,729	2,512	8.0	217	143	66	4	4	+21.3	— 3.1
62. Gorey ...	2,687	2,542	5.4	145	123	—	20	2	+17.5	— 9.4
63. Bandon ...	2,613	2,373	9.2	240	188	5	38	9	— 6.6	—19.5
64. Balbriggan ...	2,537	2,439	3.9	98	90	8	—	—	+ 6.0	—25.8
65. Ballyshannon ...	2,514	2,265	9.9	249	160	80	3	6	+16.1	— 8.5
66. Bantry ...	2,453	2,376	3.1	77	54	2	17	4	— 6.3	—27.4
67. Passage West ...	2,442	2,199	10.0	243	222	6	9	6	— 7.6	— 9.3
68. Tramore ...	2,379	2,154	9.5	225	182	11	10	22	+16.6	+13.1
69. Skibbereen ...	2,363	2,200	6.9	163	123	2	28	10	— 5.5	—23.8
70. Ardee ...	2,346	2,294	2.2	52	45	6	—	1	— 1.1	—17.5
71. Skerries ...	2,305	2,097	9.0	208	182	3	11	12	+ 8.3	+ 5.1
72. Macroom ...	2,230	2,212	0.8	18	17	—	—	1	— 6.1	—30.8
73. Ceannanus Mor (Kells) ...	2,143	2,063	3.7	80	67	3	3	7	— 5.9	—27.9
74. Carrickmacross ...	2,116	2,032	4.0	84	55	28	1	—	+ 2.2	—21.5
75. Kildare ...	2,109	2,075	1.6	34	33	—	—	1	+20.6	— 8.1
76. Clones ...	2,092	1,814	13.3	278	186	67	16	9	— 0.9	—31.2
77. Portarlington ...	2,092	1,868	10.7	224	210	1	13	—	+17.0	—12.2
78. Kinsale ...	2,087	1,954	6.4	133	119	—	11	3	—11.8	—35.7
79. Boyle ...	2,071	1,968	5.0	103	60	30	13	—	+ 1.7	—34.4
80. Templemore ...	2,055	1,988	3.3	67	65	—	—	2	+ 3.8	+ 3.1
81. Mitchelstown ...	2,054	1,996	2.8	58	56	—	2	—	+ 8.9	—15.9
82. Roscommon ...	2,038	2,021	0.8	17	13	4	—	—	+ 0.6	—46.9
83. Muine Beag (Bagenalstown) ...	1,927	1,861	3.4	66	57	3	6	—	+ 3.4	—32.0
84. Blackrock (Cork) ...	1,914	1,705	10.9	209	182	11	9	7	+ 8.5	—14.0
85. Ballintemple ...	1,862	1,650	11.4	212	159	8	15	30	— 2.0	— 4.1
86. Bundoran ...	1,825	1,640	10.1	185	136	30	12	7	+35.9	+27.6
87. Kilkee ...	1,804	1,767	2.1	37	33	—	—	4	— 2.8	—19.6
88. Cahersiveen ...	1,779	1,765	0.8	14	11	1	—	2	+ 5.9	—
89. Castleblaney ...	1,769	1,586	10.3	183	87	81	—	15	+ 4.7	—12.9
90. Rush ...	1,747	1,737	0.6	10	9	1	—	—	+ 6.2	—33.3
91. Spangle Hill ...	1,737	1,737	—	—	—	—	—	—	+159.6	—
92. Mount Merrion ...	1,723	1,206	30.0	517	384	40	37	56	+89.6	+179.5
93. Dingle ...	1,683	1,667	1.0	16	16	—	—	—	— 6.6	+ 6.7
94. Tullow ...	1,674	1,619	3.3	55	49	—	5	1	+ 5.0	—25.7
95. Caher ...	1,652	1,613	2.4	39	26	8	—	5	+ 2.3	—37.1
96. Greystones ...	1,640	794	51.6	846	684	66	24	72	+17.5	— 1.5
97. Clara ...	1,635	1,575	3.7	60	34	16	9	1	+ 4.4	—26.8
98. Kanturk ...	1,577	1,567	0.6	10	10	—	—	—	+ 1.7	—28.6
99. Cootehill ...	1,565	1,409	10.0	156	87	35	10	24	+ 0.3	—17.0
100. Charleville ...	1,548	1,542	0.4	6	6	—	—	—	— 4.5	—15.5
101. Callan ...	1,545	1,535	0.6	10	10	—	—	—	+ 2.1	—23.1
102. Malahide ...	1,510	1,242	19.4	298	262	28	3	5	+22.6	+21.1
103. Rathkeale ...	1,526	1,471	3.6	55	37	—	18	—	— 1.9	—15.4
Total 31—103 ...	195,479	185,101	5.3	10,378	7,998	1,199	672	509	+ 3.9	—11.3
104. Trim ...	1,383	1,345	2.7	38	38	—	—	—	— 3.8	—33.3
105. Granard ...	1,197	1,186	0.9	11	5	—	—	6	— 2.6	—38.9
106. Belturbet ...	1,179	1,004	14.8	175	132	23	11	9	— 8.6	—27.7
107. Lismore ...	1,174	1,136	3.2	38	33	5	—	—	+ 0.1	—35.6
108. Fethard (Tipperary) ...	1,024	1,011	1.3	13	13	—	—	—	— 8.9	+550.0
109. Ballybay ...	938	809	13.8	129	51	60	18	—	— 3.5	—34.2
Total 104—109 ...	6,895	6,491	5.9	404	272	88	29	15	— 4.5	—29.6
Remainder of Country ...	1,835,927	1,743,040	5.1	92,887	69,090	16,652	3,470	3,675	— 2.8	—13.1

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