

TABLE 12: - POPULATION OF TOWNS BY TYPE OF DISTRICT, 1966 AND 1971.

The following notation is used: -

* Indicates that a town with a legally defined boundary has no suburbs or environs.

- Indicates that a town is without a legally defined boundary.

Type of District	Total Population (Including Suburbs or Environs)		Population within legally defined boundary		Population of Suburbs or Environs		Percentage increase in Total population (- = Decrease)
	1966	1971	1966	1971	1966	1971	
Dublin Region							
Dublin County Borough	652,606	679,748	567,802	567,866	84,804	111,882	4.2
Dun Laoghaire Borough	84,075	98,379	51,811	53,171	32,264	45,208	17.0
Total	736,681	778,127	619,613	621,037	117,068	157,090	5.6
Other County Boroughs (3)							
Cork County Borough	125,824	134,430	122,146	128,645	3,678	5,785	6.8
Limerick County Borough	58,821	63,002	55,912	57,161	2,909	5,841	7.1
Waterford County Borough	30,818	33,676	29,842	31,968	976	1,708	9.3
Total	215,463	231,108	207,900	217,774	7,563	13,334	7.3
Other Towns of 10,000 Population and over (12)							
Galway	25,997	29,375	24,597	27,726	1,400	1,649	13.0
Dundalk	21,876	23,816	20,002	21,672	1,874	2,144	8.9
Drogheda	18,178	20,095	17,908	19,762	270	333	10.5
Bray	13,902	15,841	12,699	14,467	1,203	1,374	13.9
Sligo	13,698	14,456	13,424	14,080	274	376	5.5
Kilkenny	12,351	13,306	10,068	9,838	2,283	3,468	7.7
Wexford	12,627	13,293	11,542	11,849	1,085	1,444	5.3
Tralee	12,171	13,263	11,213	12,287	958	976	9.0
Clonmel	11,480	12,291	11,031	11,622	449	669	7.1
Athlone	11,136	11,611	9,623	9,825	1,513	1,786	4.3
Ennis	10,097	10,840	5,834	5,972	4,263	4,868	7.4
Carlow	10,026	10,399	9,321	9,588	705	811	3.7
Total	173,539	188,586	157,262	168,688	16,277	19,898	8.7
Towns 5,000-10,000 Population (24)							
Mullingar	8,467	9,245	6,471	6,790	1,996	2,455	9.2
Killarney	7,150	7,541	6,877	7,184	273	357	5.5
Tullamore	7,147	7,474	6,654	6,809	493	665	4.6
Cobh	6,768	7,141	5,613	6,076	1,155	1,065	5.5
Thurles	7,000	7,087	6,747	6,840	253	247	1.2
Clondalkin	5,248	7,009	-	-	-	-	33.6
Arklow	6,083	6,948	6,083	6,948	*	*	14.2
Navan	5,997	6,665	4,413	4,605	1,584	2,060	11.1
Enniscorthy	6,501	6,642	5,762	5,704	739	938	2.2
Mallow	5,987	6,506	5,532	5,901	455	605	8.7
Castlebar	5,991	6,476	5,629	5,979	362	497	8.1
Portlaoighise	5,927	6,470	3,434	3,902	2,493	2,568	9.2
Droichead Nua	5,285	6,444	4,183	5,053	1,102	1,391	21.9
Ballina	6,378	6,369	6,084	6,063	294	306	- 0.1
Tallaght	2,505	6,174	-	-	-	-	146.5
Ballinasloe	5,828	5,969	5,828	5,969	*	*	2.4
Youghal	5,221	5,626	5,108	5,445	113	181	7.8
Dungarvan	5,380	5,583	5,380	5,583	*	*	3.8
Monaghan	5,019	5,256	5,019	5,256	*	*	4.7
Letterkenny	4,701	5,207	4,527	4,930	174	277	10.8
Nenagh	4,635	5,174	4,542	5,085	93	89	11.6
New Ross	4,681	5,153	4,568	4,775	113	378	10.1
Naas	4,529	5,078	4,529	5,078	*	*	12.1
Carrick-on-Suir	4,874	5,006	4,874	5,006	*	*	2.7
Total	137,302	152,243	117,857	124,981	11,692	14,079	10.9
Towns 3,000-5,000 Population (29)							
Tuam	4,711	4,952	3,624	3,808	1,087	1,144	5.1
Longford	4,252	4,791	3,454	3,876	798	915	12.7
Tipperary	4,575	4,717	4,507	4,631	68	86	3.1
Midleton	4,242	4,666	2,837	3,075	1,405	1,591	10.0
Athy	4,419	4,654	4,069	4,270	350	384	5.3
Greystones-Delgany	3,875	4,517	-	-	-	-	16.6

TABLE 12 (contd.): - Population of Towns by type of District, 1966 and 1971.

Type of District	Total Population (including Suburbs or Environs)		Population within legally defined boundary		Population of Suburbs or Environs		Percentage increase in Total population (- = Decrease)
	1966	1971	1966	1971	1966	1971	
Towns 3,000-5,000 Population (contd.)							
Cavan	4,105	4,312	3,244	3,273	861	1,039	5.0
Lucan	2,180	4,245	-	-	-	-	94.7
Swords	1,900	4,133	-	-	-	-	117.5
Bandon	3,895	4,071	2,294	2,257	1,601	1,814	4.5
Fermoy	3,865	4,033	3,207	3,237	658	796	4.3
Wicklow	3,422	3,915	3,340	3,786	82	129	14.4
Birr	3,843	3,881	3,265	3,319	578	562	1.0
Roscrea	3,523	3,855	-	-	-	-	9.4
Malahide	3,003	3,834	-	-	-	-	27.7
Tramore	3,271	3,792	3,271	3,792	*	*	15.9
Balbriggan	3,248	3,741	3,248	3,741	*	*	15.2
Shannon Airport	1,439	3,657	-	-	-	-	154.1
Buncrana	3,161	3,334	2,916	2,955	245	379	5.5
Blanchardstown	1,782	3,279	-	-	-	-	84.0
Ardee	3,005	3,183	2,919	3,096	86	87	5.9
Kildare	2,855	3,137	-	-	-	-	9.9
Portarlington	2,905	3,117	-	-	-	-	7.3
Edenderry	2,920	3,116	2,805	2,953	115	163	6.7
Loughrea	3,001	3,075	3,001	3,075	*	*	2.5
Skerries	2,893	3,044	-	-	-	-	5.2
Gorey	2,930	3,024	2,858	2,946	72	78	3.2
Westport	2,927	3,023	2,927	3,023	*	*	3.3
Listowel	2,822	3,021	2,822	3,021	*	*	7.1
Total	94,969	110,119	60,608	64,134	8,006	9,167	16.0
Towns 1,500-3,000 Population (44)							
Mountmellick	2,668	2,864	2,440	2,595	228	269	7.3
Roscommon	2,758	2,821	1,659	1,556	1,099	1,265	2.3
Mitchelstown	2,631	2,783	-	-	-	-	5.8
Passage West	2,686	2,709	2,686	2,709	*	*	0.9
Cashel	2,682	2,692	2,682	2,692	*	*	0.4
Newcastle	2,568	2,680	2,455	2,549	113	131	4.4
Kilrush	2,734	2,671	2,734	2,671	*	*	- 2.3
Ceanannus Mór	2,449	2,653	2,274	2,391	175	262	8.3
Rush	2,494	2,633	-	-	-	-	5.6
Bantry	2,341	2,579	2,341	2,579	*	*	10.2
Portrane	2,640	2,505	-	-	-	-	- 5.1
Carrickmacross	2,193	2,475	1,946	2,100	247	375	12.9
Clonakilty	2,422	2,430	2,422	2,430	*	*	0.3
Leixlip	1,328	2,402	-	-	-	-	80.9
Castleblayney	2,181	2,395	2,083	2,118	98	277	9.8
Ballyshannon	2,233	2,325	2,233	2,325	*	*	4.1
Munebeag	2,154	2,321	2,154	2,321	*	*	7.8
Macroon	2,224	2,256	2,224	2,256	-	-	1.4
Trim	1,865	2,255	1,467	1,700	398	555	20.9
Rathluirc	2,093	2,232	-	-	-	-	6.6
Ballybofey-Stranorlar	2,010	2,214	-	-	-	-	10.1
Templemore	2,031	2,174	2,031	2,174	*	*	7.0
Clones	2,038	2,164	2,038	2,164	*	*	6.2
Clara	2,016	2,156	-	-	-	-	6.9
Ballincollig-Carrigrohane	1,450	2,110	-	-	-	-	45.5
Skibbereen	2,028	2,104	2,028	2,104	*	*	3.7
Kanturk	1,905	2,063	-	-	-	-	8.3
Kinsale	1,903	1,989	1,592	1,622	311	367	4.5
Tullow	1,812	1,945	1,694	1,838	118	107	7.3
Boyle	1,985	1,939	1,789	1,727	196	212	- 2.3
Castleisland	1,720	1,929	-	-	-	-	12.2
Laytown-Bettystown-Mornington	1,487	1,882	-	-	-	-	26.6
Carrick-on-Shannon	1,726	1,854	-	-	-	-	7.4
Castlereagh	1,697	1,752	-	-	-	-	3.2
Cahir	1,675	1,747	-	-	-	-	4.3
Rathcoole	396	1,740	-	-	-	-	339.4
Portmarnock	895	1,726	-	-	-	-	92.8
Donegal	1,511	1,725	-	-	-	-	14.2
Claremorris	1,645	1,718	-	-	-	-	4.4
Monasterevan	1,412	1,619	-	-	-	-	14.7
Celbridge	1,482	1,568	-	-	-	-	5.8
Cahiriveen	1,649	1,547	-	-	-	-	- 6.2
Rathkeale	1,542	1,543	1,542	1,543	*	*	0.1
Cootehill	1,423	1,542	1,303	1,415	120	127	8.4
Total	86,782	95,431	47,817	49,579	3,103	3,947	10.0

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	1966	1971	1966	1971	1966	1971	
Towns 1,000-1,500 Population (45)							
Dingle	1,406	1,401	-	-	-	-	- 0.4
Dunmanway	1,374	1,392	-	-	-	-	1.3
Moate	1,343	1,378	-	-	-	-	2.6
Abbeyfeale	1,305	1,337	-	-	-	-	2.5
Bundoran	1,421	1,337	1,421	1,337	-	-	- 5.9
Millstreet	1,289	1,319	-	-	-	-	2.3
Graiguenamanagh-Tinnahinch	1,173	1,303	-	-	-	-	11.1
Maynooth	1,187	1,296	-	-	-	-	9.2
Bailieborough	1,135	1,293	-	-	-	-	13.9
Kilkee	1,377	1,287	1,377	1,287	-	-	- 6.5
Ballybunion	1,120	1,287	-	-	-	-	14.9
Callan	1,263	1,283	1,263	1,283	*	*	1.6
Ballinrobe	1,248	1,272	-	-	-	-	1.9
Thomastown	1,262	1,270	-	-	-	-	0.6
Castlecomer-Donaguile	1,214	1,244	-	-	-	-	2.5
Athenry	1,134	1,240	-	-	-	-	9.3
Crosshaven	1,094	1,222	-	-	-	-	11.7
Kilmallock	1,110	1,170	-	-	-	-	5.4
Portlaoise	1,095	1,166	-	-	-	-	6.5
Ballybay	1,108	1,159	754	754	354	405	4.6
Killorglin	1,059	1,150	-	-	-	-	8.6
Carndonagh	1,146	1,146	-	-	-	-	-
Rathdrum	1,032	1,141	-	-	-	-	10.6
Blarney	924	1,128	-	-	-	-	22.1
Ballaghaderreen	1,310	1,121	-	-	-	-	- 14.4
Lifford	953	1,121	-	-	-	-	17.6
Glanmire-Riverstown	987	1,113	-	-	-	-	12.8
Swinford	1,123	1,105	-	-	-	-	- 1.6
Mountrath	1,061	1,098	-	-	-	-	3.5
Killybegs	1,063	1,094	-	-	-	-	2.9
Ballyhaunis	1,095	1,093	-	-	-	-	- 0.2
Belturbet	1,100	1,092	1,100	1,092	-	-	- 0.7
Kilcormac	1,024	1,089	-	-	-	-	6.3
Moville	1,072	1,089	-	-	-	-	1.6
Crossmolina	1,025	1,077	-	-	-	-	5.1
Ferbane	1,072	1,064	-	-	-	-	- 0.7
Fethard	997	1,064	997	1,064	-	-	6.7
Granard	1,045	1,054	1,045	1,054	-	-	0.9
Newmarket-on-Fergus	815	1,054	-	-	-	-	29.3
Banagher	1,074	1,052	-	-	-	-	- 2.0
Buttevant	997	1,045	-	-	-	-	4.8
Lismore	1,046	1,041	894	884	152	157	- 0.5
Abbeyleix	989	1,033	-	-	-	-	4.4
Kingscourt	818	1,016	-	-	-	-	24.2
Ennistymon	1,049	1,013	-	-	-	-	- 3.4
Total	50,534	52,749	8,851	8,755	506	562	4.4
Total Towns 1,500 Population and over (comprising the Aggregate Town Areas) (114)	1,444,736	1,555,614	1,211,057	1,246,193	163,709	217,515	7.7
Total Towns 1,000-1,500 Population (45)	50,534	52,749	8,851	8,755	506	562	4.4
Total Towns 500-1,000 Population (107)†	71,026	76,599	-	-	-	-	7.8
Total Towns under 500 Population but with at least 50 inhabited houses (222)†	64,940	68,209	-	-	-	-	5.0
Total towns of all sizes (488)	1,631,236	1,753,171	-	-	-	-	7.5
Country population	1,252,766	1,225,077	-	-	-	-	- 2.2
Grand total	2,884,002	2,978,248	1,219,908	1,254,948	164,215	218,077	3.3

†The population of each town under 1,000 is shown separately in Tables 8 and 19.