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## Vital Statistics

- There were 74,278 births registered in 2009, 38,082 males and 36,196 females. This was a decrease of 787 from 75,065 births registered in 2008.
- There were 28,898 deaths registered in 2009, 15,044 males and 13,854 females. This represents an annual death rate of 6.5 per 1,000 population.
- The number of marriages registered during 2009 was 21,541 equivalent to an annual marriage rate of 4.8 per 1,000 population.
- The number of divorces granted by the Circuit Court and the High Court in 2009 was 3,341, a decrease of 289 on the 2008 figure.
- The most popular babies' names in 2009 were Jack and Sophie.



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## Introduction

This chapter contains statistics on births, deaths and marriages which are compiled by the Central Statistics Office on behalf of the Minister for Health and Children. The chapter also contains figures on divorce, nullity and judicial separation applications, provided by the Courts Service.

## Births

Tables 4.1, 4.2 and 4.6 contain information on births. There were 57,854 babies born in 2001 and the number has risen fairly steadily since then. In 2009, there were 74,278 births – 38,082 male and 36,196 female. Just under a third of births, 24,532, were outside marriage in 2009. This compares with 18,114 (31.3%) births outside marriage in 2001.

Just over four fifths of births (59,910) were to mothers aged 25 to 39 in 2009.

The total period fertility rate (TPFR), in table 4.7, estimates the number of children who would be born to each female over her lifetime on the basis of current birth patterns. This is an indicator of generation replacement. In 2009 the TPFR for Ireland was 2.07, just below the replacement level. In 2008 the TPFR was 2.1, corresponding to the replacement level. In previous decades when fertility was much higher – the TPFR was 3.76 in 1960, 3.87 in 1970, 3.23 in 1980 and 2.12 in 1990.

## Deaths

Tables 4.2 to 4.5 contain information on deaths. A total of 28,898 deaths were registered in 2009, giving a mortality rate of 6.5 per 1,000 population. The death rate for males was 6.8 per 1,000 population and for females was 6.2 per 1,000 population. The most common causes of death were diseases of the circulatory system (9,693 deaths), malignant neoplasms (8,396 deaths) and diseases of the respiratory system (3,694 deaths). Injury and poisoning accounted for 1,894 deaths. There were 527 deaths due to suicide.

## Life Expectancy

As a result of long-term falls in mortality, people are living longer. Table 4.12 shows the life expectancy figures since 1925 and table 4.13 contains projections up to 2042. A baby boy or girl born in 1925 could expect, on the basis of the mortality figures at that time, to live on average to about 57 years (57.4 years for boys and 57.9 for girls). By contrast, the estimated life expectancy for people born in 2006 is 76.8 years for boys and 81.6 years for girls. Assuming that similar trends continue into the future, male life expectancy in Ireland may be approaching 87 years by the year 2042 and female life expectancy should be about 88 years.

## Marriages

Tables 4.2, 4.8, 4.9, 4.10 and 4.11 give information on marriages. There were 21,541 marriages registered in 2009 compared with 22,243 in 2008. Throughout the 1970s the annual number of marriages exceeded 20,000. The number of marriages subsequently fell from 21,792 in 1980 to 18,174 in 1989 and the trend continued downward until the mid-1990s. The number of marriages has again exceeded 20,000 each year since 2002.

While the majority of marriages are celebrated according to Roman Catholic rites, the share of civil marriages in the total is increasing. In 1970, there were 121 civil marriages, accounting for about half a percent of the total. By 1980, this had risen to 388 civil marriages (1.8%) and in 1990, 656 (or 3.7%). In 2006, the latest year for which this breakdown is available, there were 5,127 civil marriages, representing 23% of the total.

## Divorces

Table 4.14 gives information on divorce applications under the Divorce Act, 1996. In 1997, the first year in which the legislation operated, there were 95 divorces granted. The number of divorces granted increased to 1,421 in 1998 and by 2006 the number increased to 3,466. There were 3,684 divorces granted in 2007, 3,630 in 2008 and 3,341 in 2009.

## Technical Notes

### Reference period for Vital Statistics

The figures on births and deaths relate to those which occurred in the relevant years up to 2007 inclusive. Figures for 2008 and 2009 relate to births and deaths registered in those years.

The figures for marriages relate to year of registration. Due to delays in the provision of information from the registration system, some details of marriages are only currently available up to 1996 and for the years 2002, 2005 and 2006.

### Total Period Fertility Rate (TPFR)

The Total Period Fertility Rate (TPFR) is derived from the age-specific fertility rates in the current year. It represents the projected number of children a woman would have if she experienced the current age-specific fertility rates while progressing from age 15 to 49 years. A value of 2.1 is generally taken to be the level at which the population would replace itself in the long run, ignoring migration.

### Life Expectancy

Life expectancy estimates are calculated using mortality data for the three year period around a Census year. The most recent estimates refer to 2005-2007. The projected life expectancy figures up to the year 2042 are taken from the CSO's Population and Labour Force Projections.

**Table 4.1 Births and deaths registered, 2009**

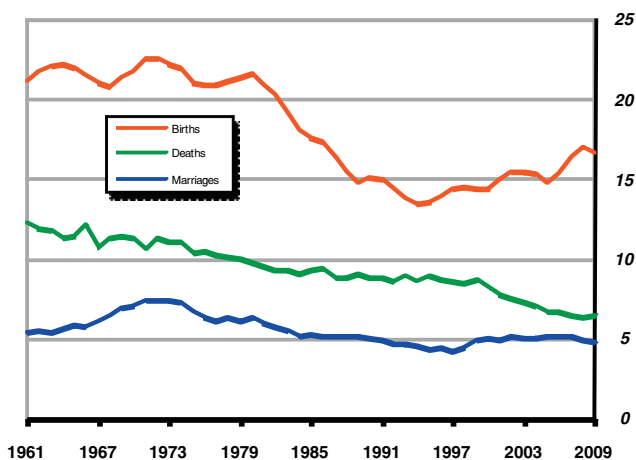
|                             | Births        | Deaths        |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Leinster</b>             | <b>41,763</b> | <b>14,434</b> |
| Carlow                      | 976           | 346           |
| Dublin City                 | 7,827         | 4,348         |
| South Dublin                | 4,522         | 914           |
| Fingal                      | 5,430         | 926           |
| Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown      | 2,828         | 1,353         |
| Kildare                     | 3,942         | 907           |
| Kilkenny                    | 1,392         | 583           |
| Laois                       | 1,368         | 412           |
| Longford                    | 707           | 293           |
| Louth                       | 1,858         | 780           |
| Meath                       | 3,474         | 823           |
| Offaly                      | 1,229         | 481           |
| Westmeath                   | 1,390         | 505           |
| Wexford                     | 2,385         | 983           |
| Wicklow                     | 2,435         | 780           |
| <b>Munster</b>              | <b>20,066</b> | <b>8,613</b>  |
| Clare                       | 1,889         | 827           |
| Cork City                   | 1,729         | 1,138         |
| Cork County                 | 6,748         | 2,184         |
| Kerry                       | 2,149         | 1,131         |
| Limerick City               | 867           | 427           |
| Limerick County             | 2,254         | 955           |
| North Tipperary             | 1,214         | 595           |
| South Tipperary             | 1,338         | 596           |
| Waterford City              | 844           | 287           |
| Waterford County            | 1,034         | 473           |
| <b>Connacht</b>             | <b>8,163</b>  | <b>3,807</b>  |
| Galway City                 | 1,056         | 179           |
| Galway County               | 2,918         | 1,314         |
| Leitrim                     | 481           | 272           |
| Mayo                        | 1,854         | 1,041         |
| Roscommon                   | 910           | 543           |
| Sligo                       | 944           | 458           |
| <b>Ulster</b>               | <b>4,286</b>  | <b>2,044</b>  |
| Cavan                       | 1,212         | 509           |
| Donegal                     | 2,284         | 1,117         |
| Monaghan                    | 790           | 418           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>74,278</b> | <b>28,898</b> |
| <b>Regional Authorities</b> |               |               |
| Border                      | 7,569         | 3,554         |
| Midland                     | 4,694         | 1,691         |
| West                        | 6,738         | 3,077         |
| Dublin                      | 20,607        | 7,541         |
| Mid-East                    | 9,851         | 2,510         |
| Mid-West                    | 6,224         | 2,804         |
| South-East                  | 7,969         | 3,268         |
| South-West                  | 10,626        | 4,453         |

Source: CSO

**Table 4.2 Live births, deaths and marriages, and rates per 1,000 population***Number and rate*

|                                              | 2001          | 2002          | 2003          | 2004          | 2005          | 2006          | 2007          | 2008          | 2009          |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Marriages</b>                             | <b>19,246</b> | <b>20,556</b> | <b>20,302</b> | <b>20,619</b> | <b>21,355</b> | <b>22,089</b> | <b>22,544</b> | <b>22,243</b> | <b>21,541</b> |
| <b>Births</b>                                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Male                                         | 29,684        | 31,013        | 31,455        | 31,966        | 31,489        | 33,655        | 36,487        | 38,593        | 38,082        |
| Female                                       | 28,170        | 29,490        | 30,074        | 30,006        | 29,883        | 31,770        | 34,902        | 36,472        | 36,196        |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>57,854</b> | <b>60,503</b> | <b>61,529</b> | <b>61,972</b> | <b>61,372</b> | <b>65,425</b> | <b>71,389</b> | <b>75,065</b> | <b>74,278</b> |
| Births within marriage                       | 39,740        | 41,624        | 42,319        | 42,174        | 41,871        | 44,028        | 47,749        | 50,221        | 49,746        |
| Births outside marriage                      | 18,114        | 18,879        | 19,210        | 19,798        | 19,501        | 21,397        | 23,640        | 24,844        | 24,532        |
| Births outside marriage as % of total births | 31.3          | 31.2          | 31.2          | 31.9          | 31.8          | 32.7          | 33.1          | 33.0          | 33.0          |
| <b>Deaths</b>                                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Male                                         | 15,691        | 15,390        | 14,882        | 14,801        | 14,412        | 14,605        | 14,391        | 14,413        | 15,044        |
| Female                                       | 14,521        | 14,293        | 14,192        | 13,864        | 13,848        | 13,883        | 13,726        | 13,779        | 13,854        |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>30,212</b> | <b>29,683</b> | <b>29,074</b> | <b>28,665</b> | <b>28,260</b> | <b>28,488</b> | <b>28,117</b> | <b>28,192</b> | <b>28,898</b> |
| Natural increase                             | 27,642        | 30,820        | 32,455        | 33,307        | 33,112        | 36,937        | 43,272        | 46,873        | 45,380        |
| <b>Rates per 1,000 of population</b>         |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Marriages                                    | 5.0           | 5.2           | 5.1           | 5.1           | 5.2           | 5.2           | 5.2           | 5.0           | 4.8           |
| Births                                       | 15.1          | 15.4          | 15.5          | 15.3          | 14.8          | 15.4          | 16.4          | 17.0          | 16.7          |
| Deaths                                       | 7.9           | 7.6           | 7.3           | 7.1           | 6.8           | 6.7           | 6.5           | 6.4           | 6.5           |

Source: CSO

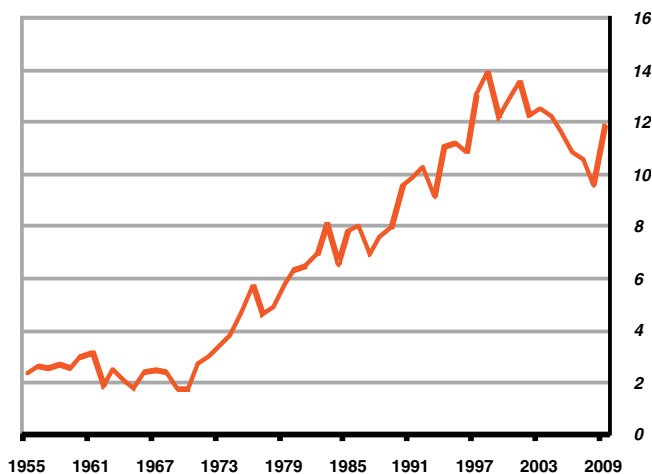
**Birth, death and marriage rates per 1,000 population**

**Table 4.3 Deaths by age and sex**

Number

| Age at death   | 1999          | 2000          | 2001          | 2002          | 2003          | 2004          | 2005          | 2006          | 2007          | 2008          | 2009          |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Males</b>   |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Under 1 year   | 172           | 203           | 178           | 169           | 193           | 153           | 110           | 155           | 125           | 164           | 140           |
| 1-4            | 41            | 29            | 45            | 30            | 26            | 28            | 26            | 20            | 31            | 26            | 37            |
| 5-9            | 32            | 20            | 20            | 17            | 19            | 25            | 16            | 23            | 8             | 19            | 11            |
| 10-14          | 37            | 21            | 23            | 29            | 28            | 16            | 18            | 19            | 32            | 35            | 19            |
| 15-19          | 141           | 146           | 129           | 117           | 87            | 106           | 118           | 90            | 109           | 107           | 97            |
| 20-24          | 191           | 205           | 185           | 186           | 183           | 168           | 198           | 193           | 163           | 159           | 156           |
| 25-34          | 354           | 355           | 365           | 384           | 313           | 329           | 356           | 343           | 352           | 337           | 427           |
| 35-44          | 432           | 478           | 468           | 449           | 432           | 461           | 424           | 429           | 449           | 459           | 559           |
| 45-54          | 988           | 970           | 925           | 994           | 890           | 899           | 873           | 922           | 871           | 860           | 922           |
| 55-64          | 1,901         | 1,870         | 1,873         | 1,835         | 1,832         | 1,819         | 1,743         | 1,723         | 1,846         | 1,798         | 1,870         |
| 65-74          | 4,121         | 3,876         | 3,680         | 3,488         | 3,302         | 3,305         | 3,164         | 3,122         | 3,001         | 3,109         | 3,107         |
| 75-84          | 5,753         | 5,387         | 5,081         | 5,056         | 4,966         | 4,869         | 4,671         | 4,717         | 4,583         | 4,485         | 4,684         |
| 85-94          | 2,618         | 2,464         | 2,577         | 2,497         | 2,441         | 2,447         | 2,512         | 2,653         | 2,607         | 2,641         | 2,779         |
| 95 and over    | 180           | 168           | 142           | 139           | 170           | 176           | 183           | 196           | 214           | 214           | 236           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>16,961</b> | <b>16,192</b> | <b>15,691</b> | <b>15,390</b> | <b>14,882</b> | <b>14,801</b> | <b>14,412</b> | <b>14,605</b> | <b>14,391</b> | <b>14,413</b> | <b>15,044</b> |
| <b>Females</b> |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Under 1 year   | 145           | 135           | 153           | 136           | 133           | 134           | 126           | 100           | 105           | 126           | 100           |
| 1-4            | 33            | 16            | 33            | 29            | 23            | 18            | 26            | 18            | 23            | 18            | 29            |
| 5-9            | 15            | 19            | 16            | 11            | 10            | 15            | 10            | 9             | 9             | 9             | 11            |
| 10-14          | 24            | 22            | 20            | 21            | 14            | 17            | 20            | 16            | 18            | 11            | 14            |
| 15-19          | 51            | 61            | 40            | 47            | 34            | 32            | 40            | 58            | 40            | 35            | 33            |
| 20-24          | 58            | 63            | 64            | 54            | 54            | 44            | 66            | 43            | 39            | 33            | 48            |
| 25-34          | 114           | 116           | 111           | 137           | 107           | 129           | 127           | 123           | 144           | 127           | 162           |
| 35-44          | 252           | 307           | 301           | 258           | 250           | 277           | 246           | 253           | 248           | 282           | 275           |
| 45-54          | 598           | 626           | 643           | 553           | 565           | 561           | 594           | 599           | 543           | 624           | 607           |
| 55-64          | 1,091         | 1,074         | 988           | 996           | 1,146         | 1,093         | 1,078         | 1,114         | 1,098         | 1,116         | 1,149         |
| 65-74          | 2,633         | 2,561         | 2,271         | 2,253         | 2,104         | 2,078         | 2,046         | 1,856         | 1,973         | 1,847         | 1,902         |
| 75-84          | 5,583         | 5,247         | 5,158         | 4,891         | 4,926         | 4,595         | 4,567         | 4,492         | 4,408         | 4,289         | 4,191         |
| 85-94          | 4,499         | 4,410         | 4,167         | 4,336         | 4,241         | 4,249         | 4,254         | 4,518         | 4,368         | 4,475         | 4,517         |
| 95 and over    | 551           | 542           | 556           | 571           | 585           | 622           | 648           | 684           | 710           | 787           | 816           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>15,647</b> | <b>15,199</b> | <b>14,521</b> | <b>14,293</b> | <b>14,192</b> | <b>13,864</b> | <b>13,848</b> | <b>13,883</b> | <b>13,726</b> | <b>13,779</b> | <b>13,854</b> |

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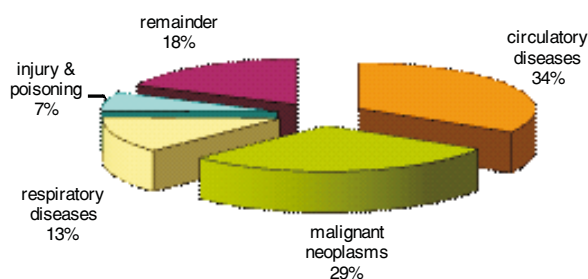
**Suicide rate per 100,000 population**



**Table 4.4 Death rates per 1,000 population, by sex and age group**

| Age at death   | 1998        | 1999        | 2000        | 2001        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2005        | 2006        | 2007        | 2008        | 2009        |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Males</b>   |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 5        | 1.75        | 1.59        | 1.69        | 1.59        | 1.40        | 1.51        | 1.22        | 0.90        | 1.13        | 0.97        | 1.13        | 1.01        |
| 5-9            | 0.10        | 0.23        | 0.15        | 0.15        | 0.13        | 0.14        | 0.18        | 0.11        | 0.16        | 0.05        | 0.12        | 0.07        |
| 10-14          | 0.21        | 0.24        | 0.14        | 0.15        | 0.20        | 0.19        | 0.11        | 0.13        | 0.14        | 0.23        | 0.24        | 0.13        |
| 15-19          | 0.83        | 0.81        | 0.86        | 0.79        | 0.73        | 0.56        | 0.69        | 0.79        | 0.61        | 0.75        | 0.74        | 0.68        |
| 20-24          | 1.45        | 1.24        | 1.30        | 1.15        | 1.13        | 1.10        | 1.00        | 1.16        | 1.12        | 0.93        | 0.96        | 1.05        |
| 25-34          | 1.23        | 1.29        | 1.25        | 1.24        | 1.24        | 0.99        | 1.01        | 1.04        | 0.94        | 0.91        | 0.85        | 1.09        |
| 35-44          | 1.76        | 1.64        | 1.78        | 1.71        | 1.60        | 1.51        | 1.56        | 1.39        | 1.36        | 1.39        | 1.39        | 1.68        |
| 45-54          | 4.08        | 4.33        | 4.15        | 3.89        | 4.11        | 3.63        | 3.60        | 3.41        | 3.51        | 3.25        | 3.15        | 3.31        |
| 55-64          | 12.67       | 12.05       | 11.47       | 11.02       | 10.34       | 9.87        | 9.46        | 8.77        | 8.38        | 8.75        | 8.27        | 8.39        |
| 65-74          | 36.78       | 36.57       | 34.12       | 31.97       | 29.81       | 27.70       | 27.11       | 25.35       | 24.51       | 23.46       | 23.71       | 22.91       |
| 75 and over    | 118.81      | 124.11      | 115.05      | 109.86      | 106.54      | 103.37      | 100.03      | 95.54       | 95.05       | 91.29       | 88.01       | 89.21       |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>9.00</b> | <b>9.13</b> | <b>8.60</b> | <b>8.20</b> | <b>7.91</b> | <b>7.53</b> | <b>7.36</b> | <b>6.99</b> | <b>6.89</b> | <b>6.63</b> | <b>6.53</b> | <b>6.78</b> |
| <b>Females</b> |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Under 5        | 1.18        | 1.41        | 1.17        | 1.40        | 1.22        | 1.12        | 1.07        | 1.05        | 0.80        | 0.84        | 0.90        | 0.78        |
| 5-9            | 0.13        | 0.11        | 0.15        | 0.12        | 0.09        | 0.08        | 0.11        | 0.07        | 0.06        | 0.06        | 0.06        | 0.07        |
| 10-14          | 0.17        | 0.16        | 0.15        | 0.14        | 0.15        | 0.10        | 0.13        | 0.15        | 0.12        | 0.13        | 0.08        | 0.10        |
| 15-19          | 0.32        | 0.31        | 0.38        | 0.26        | 0.31        | 0.23        | 0.22        | 0.28        | 0.41        | 0.28        | 0.25        | 0.24        |
| 20-24          | 0.32        | 0.39        | 0.41        | 0.41        | 0.33        | 0.32        | 0.26        | 0.39        | 0.25        | 0.23        | 0.20        | 0.31        |
| 25-34          | 0.42        | 0.41        | 0.41        | 0.38        | 0.44        | 0.34        | 0.40        | 0.38        | 0.35        | 0.38        | 0.33        | 0.41        |
| 35-44          | 1.04        | 0.95        | 1.13        | 1.08        | 0.91        | 0.86        | 0.94        | 0.82        | 0.82        | 0.79        | 0.87        | 0.84        |
| 45-54          | 2.60        | 2.67        | 2.72        | 2.75        | 2.31        | 2.32        | 2.27        | 2.35        | 2.31        | 2.05        | 2.30        | 2.19        |
| 55-64          | 7.10        | 6.99        | 6.67        | 5.89        | 5.72        | 6.32        | 5.83        | 5.53        | 5.53        | 5.30        | 5.22        | 5.22        |
| 65-74          | 20.76       | 20.68       | 20.15       | 17.80       | 17.52       | 16.23       | 15.83       | 15.34       | 13.74       | 14.64       | 13.34       | 13.31       |
| 75 and over    | 89.72       | 94.01       | 89.15       | 85.03       | 82.89       | 81.33       | 77.85       | 76.61       | 77.12       | 74.87       | 74.33       | 73.09       |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>8.05</b> | <b>8.31</b> | <b>7.97</b> | <b>7.51</b> | <b>7.25</b> | <b>7.09</b> | <b>6.82</b> | <b>6.68</b> | <b>6.55</b> | <b>6.33</b> | <b>6.22</b> | <b>6.18</b> |

Source: CSO

**Principal causes of death 2009**

**Table 4.5 Deaths by cause and rates, per 100,000 population**

| Cause of death                          | Number of deaths |               |               |               |               | Death rates per 100,000 |              |              |              |              |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                         | 2005             | 2006          | 2007          | 2008          | 2009          | 2005                    | 2006         | 2007         | 2008         | 2009         |
| Infectious and parasitic diseases       | 173              | 152           | 252           | 231           | 254           | 4.2                     | 3.6          | 5.8          | 5.2          | 5.7          |
| Malignant neoplasms                     | 7,749            | 8,066         | 7,917         | 8,203         | 8,396         | 187.5                   | 190.2        | 182.5        | 185.5        | 188.3        |
| Diseases of the circulatory system      | 10,149           | 9,980         | 9,956         | 9,883         | 9,693         | 245.5                   | 235.4        | 229.5        | 223.5        | 217.4        |
| Diseases of the respiratory system      | 4,048            | 4,079         | 3,324         | 3,436         | 3,694         | 97.9                    | 96.2         | 76.6         | 77.7         | 82.8         |
| Diseases of the digestive system        | 1,033            | 1,037         | 1,162         | 1,101         | 1,156         | 25.0                    | 24.5         | 26.8         | 24.9         | 25.9         |
| External causes of injury and poisoning | 1,745            | 1,664         | 1,759         | 1,663         | 1,894         | 42.2                    | 39.2         | 40.5         | 37.6         | 42.5         |
| <i>of which</i>                         |                  |               |               |               |               |                         |              |              |              |              |
| <i>Suicide</i>                          | 481              | 460           | 458           | 424           | 527           | 11.6                    | 10.8         | 10.6         | 9.6          | 11.8         |
| Other                                   | 3,363            | 3,510         | 3,747         | 3,675         | 3,811         | 81.4                    | 82.8         | 86.4         | 83.1         | 85.5         |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>28,260</b>    | <b>28,488</b> | <b>28,117</b> | <b>28,192</b> | <b>28,898</b> | <b>683.6</b>            | <b>671.9</b> | <b>648.0</b> | <b>637.5</b> | <b>648.0</b> |

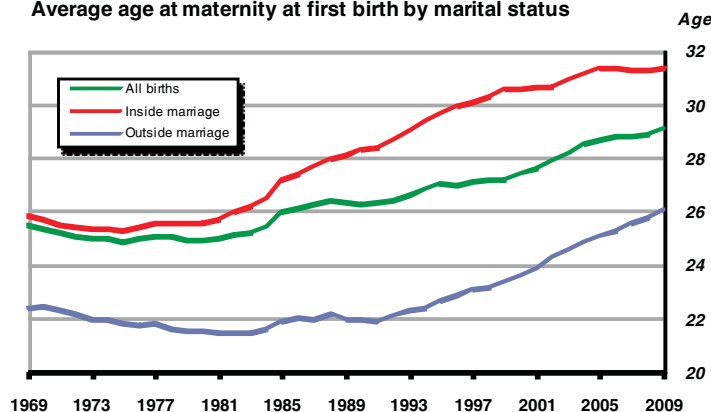
Source: CSO

**Table 4.6 Births by age of mother at maternity**

Number

| Age             | Total births  |               |               |               |               |               | Births outside marriage |               |               |               |               |               |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                 | 2004          | 2005          | 2006          | 2007          | 2008          | 2009          | 2004                    | 2005          | 2006          | 2007          | 2008          | 2009          |
| 15 and under    | 50            | 44            | 48            | 69            | 46            | 50            | 50                      | 43            | 48            | 68            | 46            | 50            |
| 16-19           | 2,443         | 2,362         | 2,287         | 2,436         | 2,380         | 2,173         | 2,229                   | 2,190         | 2,121         | 2,222         | 2,187         | 1,997         |
| 20-24           | 8,213         | 7,753         | 8,398         | 8,919         | 9,292         | 8,733         | 6,392                   | 6,081         | 6,522         | 6,799         | 7,065         | 6,750         |
| 25-29           | 14,428        | 13,660        | 15,083        | 16,590        | 17,870        | 17,895        | 5,431                   | 5,356         | 6,311         | 7,094         | 7,614         | 7,664         |
| 30-34           | 21,407        | 21,581        | 22,394        | 24,409        | 25,414        | 24,895        | 3,461                   | 3,557         | 3,883         | 4,486         | 4,768         | 4,832         |
| 35-39           | 12,651        | 13,320        | 14,359        | 15,851        | 16,812        | 17,120        | 1,706                   | 1,826         | 1,999         | 2,400         | 2,531         | 2,582         |
| 40-44           | 2,299         | 2,483         | 2,719         | 2,978         | 3,078         | 3,214         | 378                     | 403           | 488           | 533           | 601           | 606           |
| 45 and over     | 69            | 83            | 105           | 118           | 149           | 165           | 18                      | 21            | 14            | 30            | 24            | 39            |
| Age not stated  | 412           | 86            | 32            | 19            | 24            | 33            | 133                     | 24            | 11            | 8             | 8             | 12            |
| <b>All ages</b> | <b>61,972</b> | <b>61,372</b> | <b>65,425</b> | <b>71,389</b> | <b>75,065</b> | <b>74,278</b> | <b>19,798</b>           | <b>19,501</b> | <b>21,397</b> | <b>23,640</b> | <b>24,844</b> | <b>24,532</b> |

Source: CSO

**Average age at maternity at first birth by marital status**

**Table 4.7 Age specific fertility rates and total period fertility rates**

| Year | Age at maternity |       |       |       |       |       |       | Total period fertility rates |
|------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------------------|
|      | 15-19            | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |                              |
| 1960 | 8.8              | 103.9 | 209.6 | 213.1 | 156.3 | 56.0  | 4.2   | <b>3.76</b>                  |
| 1961 | 9.5              | 108.2 | 216.9 | 209.6 | 152.1 | 57.7  | 4.2   | <b>3.79</b>                  |
| 1962 | 11.2             | 114.2 | 224.1 | 214.8 | 155.8 | 59.5  | 4.5   | <b>3.92</b>                  |
| 1963 | 12.2             | 120.1 | 229.2 | 223.0 | 153.9 | 60.1  | 3.5   | <b>4.01</b>                  |
| 1964 | 13.1             | 123.1 | 237.8 | 221.7 | 152.3 | 61.3  | 3.7   | <b>4.06</b>                  |
| 1965 | 14.0             | 125.1 | 236.1 | 218.9 | 150.3 | 57.6  | 4.2   | <b>4.03</b>                  |
| 1966 | 13.5             | 128.1 | 232.5 | 213.1 | 144.4 | 54.9  | 4.3   | <b>3.95</b>                  |
| 1967 | 14.5             | 129.7 | 220.0 | 208.3 | 138.6 | 52.9  | 4.4   | <b>3.84</b>                  |
| 1968 | 14.1             | 134.8 | 222.5 | 197.8 | 133.8 | 48.5  | 4.1   | <b>3.78</b>                  |
| 1969 | 15.4             | 139.7 | 228.7 | 199.5 | 133.1 | 48.1  | 4.4   | <b>3.85</b>                  |
| 1970 | 16.3             | 145.5 | 228.7 | 201.9 | 131.9 | 45.3  | 3.7   | <b>3.87</b>                  |
| 1971 | 19.1             | 150.3 | 243.5 | 200.5 | 131.7 | 46.6  | 3.3   | <b>3.98</b>                  |
| 1972 | 21.3             | 152.1 | 241.5 | 187.6 | 125.7 | 43.4  | 3.4   | <b>3.88</b>                  |
| 1973 | 22.4             | 149.9 | 235.0 | 181.2 | 115.6 | 41.3  | 2.7   | <b>3.74</b>                  |
| 1974 | 22.6             | 145.4 | 229.5 | 171.9 | 111.2 | 39.9  | 2.8   | <b>3.62</b>                  |
| 1975 | 22.8             | 138.5 | 216.0 | 162.2 | 100.2 | 36.8  | 2.6   | <b>3.40</b>                  |
| 1976 | 21.9             | 133.7 | 211.7 | 162.2 | 94.9  | 34.8  | 3.1   | <b>3.31</b>                  |
| 1977 | 21.2             | 130.4 | 205.5 | 166.7 | 93.9  | 33.2  | 3.0   | <b>3.27</b>                  |
| 1978 | 21.8             | 126.2 | 201.7 | 167.8 | 96.5  | 31.1  | 2.8   | <b>3.24</b>                  |
| 1979 | 22.7             | 125.9 | 202.5 | 168.4 | 94.1  | 29.9  | 2.3   | <b>3.23</b>                  |
| 1980 | 23.0             | 125.3 | 202.3 | 165.7 | 97.3  | 29.6  | 2.3   | <b>3.23</b>                  |
| 1981 | 22.2             | 117.4 | 190.3 | 161.5 | 93.6  | 26.5  | 2.4   | <b>3.07</b>                  |
| 1982 | 20.7             | 110.2 | 185.0 | 156.9 | 91.6  | 24.9  | 2.2   | <b>2.96</b>                  |
| 1983 | 18.7             | 102.6 | 172.3 | 146.9 | 84.6  | 25.0  | 1.7   | <b>2.76</b>                  |
| 1984 | 18.0             | 95.4  | 163.3 | 138.4 | 78.9  | 21.8  | 1.9   | <b>2.59</b>                  |
| 1985 | 16.6             | 87.2  | 158.6 | 138.4 | 75.3  | 21.6  | 1.5   | <b>2.50</b>                  |
| 1986 | 16.4             | 83.1  | 154.3 | 139.0 | 73.4  | 21.2  | 1.5   | <b>2.44</b>                  |
| 1987 | 16.1             | 75.4  | 147.9 | 132.3 | 68.6  | 19.8  | 1.3   | <b>2.31</b>                  |
| 1988 | 15.3             | 69.6  | 141.0 | 125.5 | 63.2  | 17.8  | 1.1   | <b>2.17</b>                  |
| 1989 | 14.8             | 64.0  | 134.4 | 122.0 | 62.4  | 17.0  | 1.1   | <b>2.08</b>                  |
| 1990 | 16.7             | 63.3  | 137.6 | 126.2 | 63.1  | 15.4  | 1.1   | <b>2.12</b>                  |
| 1991 | 17.1             | 64.0  | 131.8 | 124.4 | 63.4  | 15.2  | 1.0   | <b>2.09</b>                  |
| 1992 | 16.9             | 58.9  | 123.9 | 122.3 | 61.3  | 14.4  | 0.8   | <b>1.99</b>                  |
| 1993 | 16.3             | 53.8  | 116.5 | 121.2 | 58.5  | 14.1  | 0.9   | <b>1.91</b>                  |
| 1994 | 15.0             | 50.7  | 112.5 | 119.8 | 58.6  | 12.8  | 0.7   | <b>1.85</b>                  |
| 1995 | 15.1             | 50.3  | 106.7 | 123.5 | 60.3  | 13.1  | 0.8   | <b>1.85</b>                  |
| 1996 | 16.7             | 52.2  | 105.3 | 127.1 | 63.9  | 11.8  | 0.6   | <b>1.89</b>                  |
| 1997 | 17.5             | 50.9  | 106.4 | 131.5 | 66.6  | 13.4  | 0.8   | <b>1.94</b>                  |
| 1998 | 19.2             | 52.5  | 103.1 | 131.5 | 69.3  | 13.4  | 0.6   | <b>1.95</b>                  |
| 1999 | 20.2             | 51.0  | 99.4  | 129.5 | 68.5  | 12.9  | 0.6   | <b>1.91</b>                  |
| 2000 | 19.5             | 51.6  | 95.1  | 129.3 | 71.3  | 13.6  | 0.5   | <b>1.90</b>                  |
| 2001 | 19.9             | 53.3  | 95.1  | 134.1 | 75.3  | 13.9  | 0.7   | <b>1.96</b>                  |
| 2002 | 19.4             | 52.8  | 93.7  | 134.5 | 80.0  | 14.5  | 0.6   | <b>1.98</b>                  |
| 2003 | 19.0             | 50.3  | 92.6  | 135.0 | 82.3  | 15.7  | 0.5   | <b>1.98</b>                  |
| 2004 | 17.1             | 49.1  | 88.4  | 134.2 | 83.9  | 16.2  | 0.5   | <b>1.95</b>                  |
| 2005 | 16.8             | 45.8  | 79.9  | 129.4 | 86.4  | 16.9  | 0.6   | <b>1.88</b>                  |
| 2006 | 16.4             | 49.5  | 82.1  | 130.4 | 90.8  | 18.1  | 0.8   | <b>1.94</b>                  |
| 2007 | 17.8             | 51.6  | 82.8  | 139.3 | 97.6  | 19.6  | 0.8   | <b>2.05</b>                  |
| 2008 | 17.4             | 55.2  | 86.2  | 140.0 | 100.0 | 19.9  | 1.0   | <b>2.10</b>                  |
| 2009 | 16.3             | 56.0  | 85.7  | 134.3 | 99.3  | 20.7  | 1.1   | <b>2.07</b>                  |

Source: CSO

**Table 4.8 Marriages registered in 2006 by age and marital status of groom**

| Age                  | Single        | Widowers   | Divorced     | Total         |
|----------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Age of groom</b>  |               |            |              |               |
| Under 20             | 137           | –          | –            | 137           |
| 20-24                | 1,032         | –          | 2            | 1,034         |
| 25-29                | 6,465         | 3          | 17           | 6,485         |
| 30-34                | 8,062         | 11         | 100          | 8,173         |
| 35-39                | 3,179         | 13         | 265          | 3,457         |
| 40-44                | 1,028         | 12         | 348          | 1,388         |
| 45-49                | 298           | 21         | 273          | 592           |
| 50-54                | 117           | 23         | 207          | 347           |
| 55-59                | 50            | 34         | 151          | 235           |
| 60 and over          | 42            | 84         | 114          | 240           |
| Not stated           | 1             | –          | –            | 1             |
| <b>All ages</b>      | <b>20,411</b> | <b>201</b> | <b>1,477</b> | <b>22,089</b> |
| Average age of groom | 32.1          | 56.0       | 46.3         | 33.2          |

Source: CSO

**Table 4.9 Marriages registered in 2006 by age and marital status of bride**

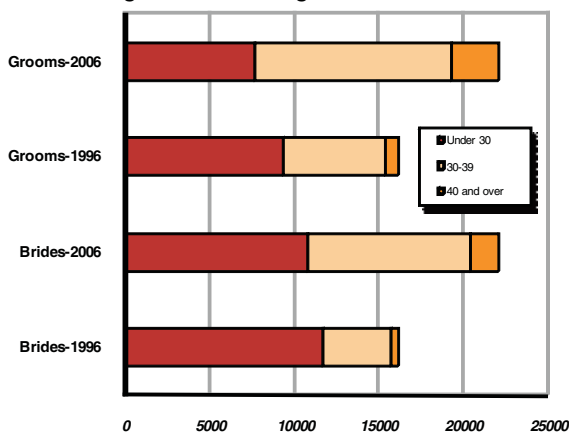
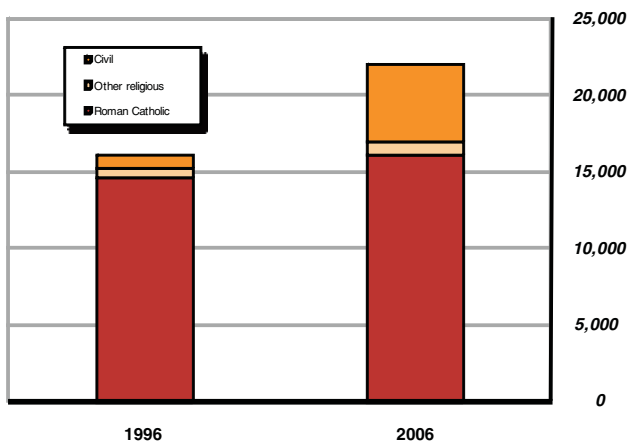
| Age                  | Single        | Widowers   | Divorced     | Total         |
|----------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Age of bride</b>  |               |            |              |               |
| Under 20             | 319           | –          | 1            | 320           |
| 20-24                | 1,883         | –          | 8            | 1,891         |
| 25-29                | 8,562         | 1          | 45           | 8,608         |
| 30-34                | 6,913         | 13         | 157          | 7,083         |
| 35-39                | 2,142         | 22         | 287          | 2,451         |
| 40-44                | 564           | 19         | 265          | 848           |
| 45-49                | 186           | 22         | 217          | 425           |
| 50-54                | 94            | 16         | 145          | 255           |
| 55-59                | 27            | 14         | 67           | 108           |
| 60 and over          | 21            | 40         | 37           | 98            |
| Not stated           | 2             | –          | –            | 2             |
| <b>All ages</b>      | <b>20,713</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>1,229</b> | <b>22,089</b> |
| Average age of bride | 30.4          | 50.6       | 42.9         | 31.2          |

Source: CSO

**Table 4.10 Marriages registered in 2006 by month and day of week of marriage**

| Month of occurrence | Day of occurrence |              |            |              |              |              |              | Total         |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
|                     | Sunday            | Monday       | Tuesday    | Wednesday    | Thursday     | Friday       | Saturday     |               |
| January             | 20                | 67           | 52         | 47           | 82           | 186          | 143          | <b>597</b>    |
| February            | –                 | 52           | 78         | 52           | 78           | 311          | 237          | <b>808</b>    |
| March               | 1                 | 51           | 59         | 57           | 219          | 432          | 354          | <b>1,173</b>  |
| April               | 34                | 97           | 66         | 74           | 187          | 498          | 601          | <b>1,557</b>  |
| May                 | 14                | 111          | 88         | 90           | 188          | 674          | 664          | <b>1,829</b>  |
| June                | 36                | 107          | 75         | 113          | 305          | 992          | 856          | <b>2,484</b>  |
| July                | 37                | 129          | 75         | 104          | 321          | 958          | 1,156        | <b>2,780</b>  |
| August              | 56                | 163          | 111        | 163          | 471          | 1,048        | 1,087        | <b>3,099</b>  |
| September           | 23                | 127          | 78         | 113          | 311          | 1,209        | 1,220        | <b>3,081</b>  |
| October             | 37                | 110          | 70         | 66           | 204          | 694          | 734          | <b>1,915</b>  |
| November            | 5                 | 57           | 34         | 62           | 157          | 450          | 364          | <b>1,129</b>  |
| December            | 12                | 72           | 132        | 224          | 346          | 526          | 325          | <b>1,637</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>275</b>        | <b>1,143</b> | <b>918</b> | <b>1,165</b> | <b>2,869</b> | <b>7,978</b> | <b>7,741</b> | <b>22,089</b> |

Source: CSO

**Number of marriages by ages of brides and grooms****Number of marriages by form of ceremony**

**Table 4.11 Summary data for marriages**

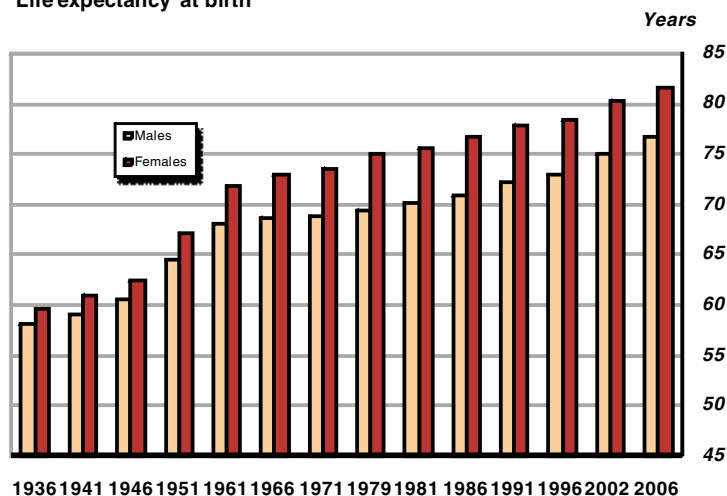
|                                                                                      | 1992          | 1993          | 1994          | 1995          | 1996          | 2002          | 2005          | 2006          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>State</b>                                                                         | <b>16,636</b> | <b>16,824</b> | <b>16,621</b> | <b>15,604</b> | <b>16,174</b> | <b>20,556</b> | <b>21,355</b> | <b>22,089</b> |
| <b>Marriages per 1,000 population</b>                                                | <b>4.7</b>    | <b>4.7</b>    | <b>4.6</b>    | <b>4.3</b>    | <b>4.5</b>    | <b>5.2</b>    | <b>5.2</b>    | <b>5.2</b>    |
| <b>Average age of groom</b>                                                          | <b>29.0</b>   | <b>29.3</b>   | <b>29.8</b>   | <b>30.0</b>   | <b>30.2</b>   | <b>32.5</b>   | <b>33.1</b>   | <b>33.2</b>   |
| <b>Average age of bride</b>                                                          | <b>27.1</b>   | <b>27.4</b>   | <b>27.8</b>   | <b>28.1</b>   | <b>28.4</b>   | <b>30.4</b>   | <b>31.0</b>   | <b>31.2</b>   |
| <b>Percentage of marriages by age of groom</b>                                       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Under 20                                                                             | 0.8           | 0.7           | 0.7           | 0.5           | 0.5           | 0.7           | 0.5           | 0.6           |
| 20-24                                                                                | 19.6          | 17.3          | 14.9          | 12.8          | 10.8          | 5.4           | 4.8           | 4.7           |
| 25-29                                                                                | 47.9          | 47.9          | 47.4          | 46.5          | 46.3          | 34.6          | 30.3          | 29.4          |
| 30-34                                                                                | 21.6          | 23.0          | 24.3          | 27.3          | 29.0          | 34.9          | 37.0          | 37.0          |
| 35-39                                                                                | 5.9           | 6.5           | 7.3           | 7.8           | 8.2           | 13.6          | 14.7          | 15.7          |
| Over 40                                                                              | 4.2           | 4.6           | 5.4           | 5.1           | 5.2           | 10.8          | 12.6          | 12.7          |
| <b>Percentage of marriages by age of bride</b>                                       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Under 20                                                                             | 2.5           | 2.1           | 1.6           | 1.6           | 1.2           | 1.2           | 1.2           | 1.4           |
| 20-24                                                                                | 32.4          | 29.9          | 27.3          | 23.7          | 21.6          | 11.7          | 9.6           | 8.6           |
| 25-29                                                                                | 46.2          | 46.8          | 47.5          | 49.1          | 49.5          | 42.9          | 39.7          | 39.0          |
| 30-34                                                                                | 13.5          | 14.8          | 16.7          | 18.8          | 19.9          | 28.3          | 31.5          | 32.1          |
| 35-39                                                                                | 3.3           | 4.0           | 4.1           | 4.4           | 5.1           | 9.4           | 10.3          | 11.1          |
| Over 40                                                                              | 2.1           | 2.4           | 2.8           | 2.4           | 2.7           | 6.5           | 7.6           | 7.9           |
| <b>Form of Ceremony</b>                                                              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Roman Catholic                                                                       | 15,255        | 15,400        | 15,200        | 14,158        | 14,607        | 15,908        | 15,867        | 16,211        |
| Church of Ireland                                                                    | 521           | 444           | 434           | 425           | 483           | 781           | 553           | 530           |
| Presbyterian                                                                         | 98            | 58            | 51            | 76            | 91            | 112           | 119           | 161           |
| Methodist                                                                            | 35            | 43            | 33            | 25            | 38            | 40            | 17            | 26            |
| Jewish                                                                               | 0             | 1             | 3             | 1             | 2             | 6             | 5             | 2             |
| Other Religious                                                                      | 32            | 41            | 50            | 28            | 25            | 26            | 32            | 32            |
| Civil Marriages                                                                      | 695           | 837           | 850           | 891           | 928           | 3,683         | 4,762         | 5,127         |
| <b>Country of future residence</b>                                                   |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Outside Republic of Ireland                                                          | 2,656         | 2,740         | 2,661         | 2,502         | 2,604         | 2,293         | 1,890         | 1,917         |
| Northern Ireland                                                                     | 176           | 204           | 235           | 216           | 271           | 256           | 257           | 346           |
| Britain                                                                              | 1,647         | 1,559         | 1,477         | 1,338         | 1,295         | 1,119         | 990           | 932           |
| Europe (remainder)                                                                   | 63            | 55            | 60            | 66            | 64            | 86            | 67            | 84            |
| USA                                                                                  | 193           | 242           | 166           | 203           | 222           | 182           | 129           | 115           |
| Elsewhere                                                                            | 363           | 415           | 509           | 490           | 570           | 480           | 281           | 248           |
| Percentage of Marriages with country of future residence outside Republic of Ireland | 16.0          | 16.3          | 16.0          | 16.0          | 16.1          | 11.2          | 8.9           | 8.7           |

Source: CSO

**Table 4.12 Life expectancy at various ages**

| Period         | Age in years |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |
|----------------|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
|                | 0            | 5    | 10   | 30   | 40   | 50   | 60   | 70   | 80  | 90  |
| <b>Males</b>   |              |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |
| 1925-1927      | 57.4         | 59.5 | 55.2 | 38.4 | 30.4 | 22.7 | 15.8 | 10.0 | 5.8 | 3.3 |
| 1935-1937      | 58.2         | 60.1 | 55.8 | 38.5 | 30.3 | 22.4 | 15.5 | 10.0 | 6.0 | 3.1 |
| 1940-1942      | 59.0         | 60.7 | 56.3 | 38.9 | 30.6 | 22.5 | 15.4 | 9.6  | 5.7 | 3.6 |
| 1945-1947      | 60.5         | 61.5 | 56.9 | 39.2 | 30.6 | 22.4 | 15.1 | 9.2  | 5.3 | 3.2 |
| 1950-1952      | 64.5         | 63.6 | 58.8 | 40.3 | 31.3 | 22.8 | 15.4 | 9.2  | 5.0 | 2.7 |
| 1960-1962      | 68.1         | 65.7 | 60.8 | 41.7 | 32.4 | 23.5 | 15.8 | 9.7  | 5.1 | 2.5 |
| 1965-1967      | 68.6         | 65.7 | 60.8 | 41.7 | 32.2 | 23.4 | 15.6 | 9.7  | 5.2 | 2.6 |
| 1970-1972      | 68.8         | 65.5 | 60.6 | 41.5 | 32.1 | 23.3 | 15.6 | 9.7  | 5.4 | 2.8 |
| 1978-1980      | 69.5         | 65.7 | 60.8 | 41.7 | 32.2 | 23.3 | 15.7 | 9.5  | 5.3 | 2.9 |
| 1980-1982      | 70.1         | 66.1 | 61.3 | 42.1 | 32.6 | 23.6 | 15.9 | 9.7  | 5.4 | 2.9 |
| 1985-1987      | 71.0         | 66.8 | 61.9 | 42.7 | 33.1 | 24.0 | 16.0 | 9.7  | 5.3 | 2.8 |
| 1990-1992      | 72.3         | 68.0 | 63.1 | 43.9 | 34.4 | 25.2 | 17.0 | 10.4 | 5.8 | 3.0 |
| 1995-1997      | 73.0         | 68.6 | 63.6 | 44.5 | 35.1 | 25.8 | 17.5 | 10.6 | 5.9 | 3.0 |
| 2001-2003      | 75.1         | 70.7 | 65.7 | 46.5 | 37.0 | 27.8 | 19.2 | 11.9 | 6.5 | 3.3 |
| 2005-2007      | 76.8         | 72.2 | 67.2 | 48.0 | 38.5 | 29.2 | 20.6 | 13.0 | 7.1 | 3.6 |
| <b>Females</b> |              |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |
| 1925-1927      | 57.9         | 59.2 | 54.9 | 38.6 | 30.8 | 23.2 | 16.4 | 10.7 | 6.5 | 3.7 |
| 1935-1937      | 59.6         | 60.4 | 56.1 | 39.2 | 31.2 | 23.3 | 16.2 | 10.6 | 6.5 | 3.4 |
| 1940-1942      | 61.0         | 61.4 | 56.9 | 39.9 | 31.6 | 23.5 | 16.3 | 10.4 | 6.4 | 4.2 |
| 1945-1947      | 62.4         | 62.5 | 57.9 | 40.5 | 32.1 | 23.9 | 16.4 | 10.2 | 6.0 | 3.8 |
| 1950-1952      | 67.1         | 65.4 | 60.6 | 42.2 | 33.3 | 24.7 | 16.8 | 10.2 | 5.6 | 3.2 |
| 1960-1962      | 71.9         | 69.0 | 64.1 | 44.7 | 35.3 | 26.3 | 18.1 | 11.0 | 5.9 | 3.0 |
| 1965-1967      | 72.9         | 69.6 | 64.8 | 45.2 | 35.7 | 26.6 | 18.4 | 11.2 | 6.1 | 3.1 |
| 1970-1972      | 73.5         | 70.0 | 65.1 | 45.6 | 36.0 | 27.0 | 18.7 | 11.5 | 6.2 | 3.2 |
| 1978-1980      | 75.0         | 71.0 | 66.1 | 46.5 | 36.8 | 27.6 | 19.2 | 11.9 | 6.4 | 3.4 |
| 1980-1982      | 75.6         | 71.5 | 66.6 | 47.0 | 37.3 | 28.0 | 19.5 | 12.2 | 6.7 | 3.5 |
| 1985-1987      | 76.7         | 72.4 | 67.5 | 47.8 | 38.1 | 28.7 | 20.1 | 12.6 | 6.8 | 3.3 |
| 1990-1992      | 77.9         | 73.5 | 68.6 | 48.9 | 39.2 | 29.8 | 21.1 | 13.5 | 7.4 | 3.6 |
| 1995-1997      | 78.5         | 74.1 | 69.1 | 49.5 | 39.8 | 30.3 | 21.5 | 13.7 | 7.5 | 3.7 |
| 2001-2003      | 80.3         | 75.7 | 70.8 | 51.1 | 41.4 | 31.9 | 22.9 | 14.8 | 8.2 | 4.1 |
| 2005-2007      | 81.6         | 76.9 | 72.0 | 52.3 | 42.5 | 33.1 | 24.0 | 15.8 | 8.8 | 4.3 |

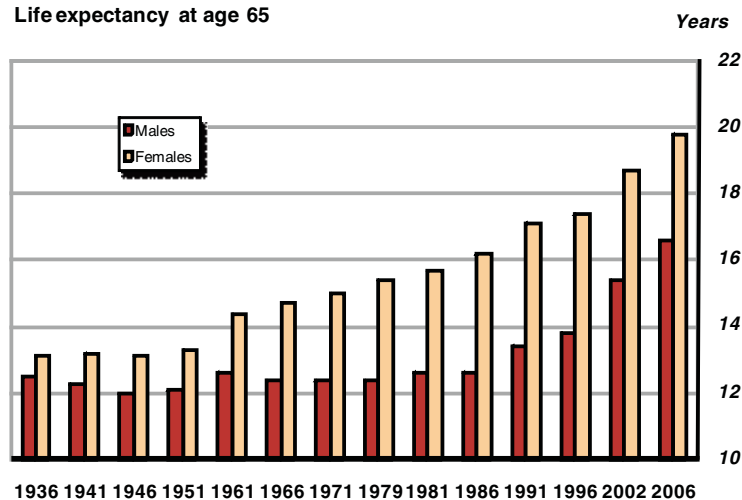
Source: CSO

**Life expectancy at birth**

**Table 4.13** Projected life expectancy at various ages

| Period         | Age in years |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |
|----------------|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|
|                | 0            | 5    | 10   | 30   | 40   | 50   | 60   | 70   | 80   | 90  |
| <b>Males</b>   |              |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |
| 2010-2012      | 79.7         | 75.0 | 70.0 | 50.6 | 41.0 | 31.5 | 22.6 | 14.7 | 8.5  | 4.3 |
| 2015-2017      | 81.6         | 76.9 | 71.9 | 52.4 | 42.7 | 33.2 | 24.2 | 16.0 | 9.4  | 4.8 |
| 2020-2022      | 83.1         | 78.4 | 73.4 | 53.8 | 44.1 | 34.5 | 25.4 | 17.1 | 10.2 | 5.2 |
| 2025-2027      | 84.3         | 79.5 | 74.5 | 54.9 | 45.2 | 35.5 | 26.3 | 17.9 | 10.8 | 5.5 |
| 2030-2032      | 85.1         | 80.3 | 75.3 | 55.7 | 45.9 | 36.3 | 27.0 | 18.5 | 11.3 | 5.7 |
| 2035-2037      | 85.8         | 81.0 | 76.0 | 56.3 | 46.6 | 36.9 | 27.6 | 19.0 | 11.7 | 6.0 |
| 2040-2042      | 86.5         | 81.7 | 76.7 | 57.0 | 47.2 | 37.5 | 28.2 | 19.5 | 12.1 | 6.2 |
| <b>Females</b> |              |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |
| 2010-2012      | 83.2         | 78.5 | 73.5 | 53.8 | 44.0 | 34.4 | 25.3 | 16.8 | 9.6  | 4.7 |
| 2015-2017      | 84.4         | 79.7 | 74.7 | 55.0 | 45.1 | 35.6 | 26.3 | 17.7 | 10.3 | 5.0 |
| 2020-2022      | 85.5         | 80.7 | 75.8 | 56.0 | 46.1 | 36.5 | 27.2 | 18.5 | 10.8 | 5.2 |
| 2025-2027      | 86.3         | 81.6 | 76.6 | 56.8 | 46.9 | 37.2 | 27.9 | 19.1 | 11.3 | 5.5 |
| 2030-2032      | 87.0         | 82.2 | 77.2 | 57.4 | 47.5 | 37.9 | 28.5 | 19.6 | 11.7 | 5.7 |
| 2035-2037      | 87.6         | 82.8 | 77.9 | 58.0 | 48.1 | 38.4 | 29.0 | 20.1 | 12.1 | 5.9 |
| 2040-2042      | 88.3         | 83.4 | 78.5 | 58.6 | 48.7 | 39.0 | 29.6 | 20.6 | 12.5 | 6.1 |

Source: CSO

**Life expectancy at age 65**



**Table 4.14 Divorce, judicial separation and nullity applications received and granted by the courts, 2009**

|                            | Number               |              |                                  |              |                      |           |
|----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|                            | Divorce applications |              | Judicial separation applications |              | Nullity applications |           |
|                            | Received             | Granted      | Received                         | Granted      | Received             | Granted   |
| <b>Circuit Court</b>       |                      |              |                                  |              |                      |           |
| Carlow                     | 48                   | 60           | 18                               | 13           | –                    | –         |
| Dublin                     | 1,257                | 1,113        | 548                              | 388          | 21                   | 2         |
| Naas                       | 109                  | 123          | 52                               | 29           | 1                    | –         |
| Kilkenny                   | 40                   | 40           | 21                               | 32           | 1                    | –         |
| Portlaoise                 | 38                   | 42           | 8                                | 4            | –                    | –         |
| Longford                   | 33                   | 22           | 9                                | 6            | –                    | –         |
| Dundalk                    | 108                  | 124          | 48                               | 51           | –                    | 1         |
| Trim                       | 216                  | 77           | 133                              | 23           | –                    | –         |
| Tullamore                  | 49                   | 53           | 17                               | 20           | –                    | –         |
| Mullingar                  | 86                   | 66           | 17                               | 9            | 1                    | 1         |
| Wexford                    | 117                  | 139          | 33                               | 10           | –                    | –         |
| Wicklow                    | 108                  | 21           | 36                               | 7            | 2                    | –         |
| Ennis                      | 61                   | 70           | 21                               | 29           | 3                    | –         |
| Cork                       | 406                  | 393          | 193                              | 106          | 9                    | 7         |
| Tralee                     | 96                   | 110          | 38                               | 27           | 3                    | 1         |
| Limerick                   | 146                  | 171          | 54                               | 40           | 3                    | 2         |
| Clonmel                    | 102                  | 96           | 59                               | 27           | –                    | 1         |
| Waterford                  | 133                  | 163          | 50                               | 80           | 1                    | –         |
| Galway                     | 170                  | 198          | 87                               | 98           | 3                    | 3         |
| Carrick on Shannon         | 21                   | 19           | 10                               | 2            | –                    | –         |
| Castlebar                  | 77                   | 72           | 26                               | 28           | 3                    | –         |
| Roscommon                  | 31                   | 29           | 17                               | 15           | –                    | –         |
| Sligo                      | 41                   | 42           | 10                               | 10           | –                    | –         |
| Cavan                      | 47                   | 33           | 22                               | 15           | 1                    | 1         |
| Letterkenny                | 96                   | 17           | 44                               | 4            | 2                    | –         |
| Monaghan                   | 47                   | 9            | 21                               | 7            | 1                    | –         |
| <b>Total Circuit Court</b> | <b>3,683</b>         | <b>3,302</b> | <b>1,592</b>                     | <b>1,080</b> | <b>55</b>            | <b>19</b> |
| <b>High Court</b>          | <b>33</b>            | <b>39</b>    | <b>35</b>                        | <b>20</b>    | <b>–</b>             | <b>1</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>               | <b>3,716</b>         | <b>3,341</b> | <b>1,627</b>                     | <b>1,100</b> | <b>55</b>            | <b>20</b> |

Source: Courts Service

**Table 4.15 Top 25 babies' names registered in 2009, in order of popularity, with corresponding rank in 2008**

| Boy's name | 2009 | Number | 2008 | Number | Girl's name | 2009 | Number | 2008 | Number |
|------------|------|--------|------|--------|-------------|------|--------|------|--------|
| Jack       | 1    | 1,061  | 1    | 1,141  | Sophie      | 1    | 635    | 6    | 573    |
| Sean       | 2    | 927    | 2    | 963    | Ava         | 2    | 630    | 1    | 685    |
| Daniel     | 3    | 832    | 4    | 819    | Emma        | 3    | 621    | 4    | 631    |
| Conor      | 4    | 775    | 3    | 847    | Sarah       | 4    | 565    | 3    | 645    |
| James      | 5    | 705    | 5    | 733    | Grace       | 5    | 522    | 7    | 562    |
| Ryan       | 6    | 633    | 6    | 667    | Emily       | 6    | 498    | 5    | 596    |
| Adam       | 7    | 611    | 7    | 643    | Katie       | 7    | 496    | 2    | 663    |
| Michael    | 8    | 499    | 13   | 478    | Lucy        | 8    | 460    | 11   | 412    |
| Alex       | 9    | 496    | 10   | 498    | Aoife       | 9    | 449    | 8    | 514    |
| Luke       | 10   | 495    | 9    | 512    | Chloe       | 10   | 409    | 9    | 449    |
| Dylan      | 11   | 470    | 8    | 514    | Amy         | 11   | 382    | 16   | 355    |
| Cian       | 12   | 467    | 11   | 490    | Lauren      | 12   | 369    | 20   | 335    |
| Jamie      | 13   | 463    | 14   | 474    | Kate        | 13   | 361    | 10   | 416    |
| Darragh    | 14   | 462    | 16   | 447    | Mia         | 14   | 360    | 23   | 297    |
| Liam       | 15   | 453    | 17   | 436    | Leah        | 15   | 357    | 13   | 397    |
| Aaron      | 16   | 439    | 12   | 480    | Anna        | 16   | 353    | 19   | 339    |
| Oisín      | 17   | 420    | 15   | 451    | Ruby        | 17   | 350    | 21   | 304    |
| Thomas     | 18   | 408    | 18   | 431    | Ella        | 18   | 343    | 12   | 405    |
| Patrick    | 19   | 397    | 19   | 427    | Lily        | 19   | 334    | 29   | 244    |
| Eoin       | 20   | 367    | 26   | 307    | Ciara       | 20   | 331    | 14   | 394    |
| John       | 21   | 346    | 22   | 372    | Caoimhe     | 21   | 324    | 17   | 353    |
| Cillian    | 22   | 344    | 23   | 348    | Hannah      | 22   | 320    | 15   | 390    |
| Matthew    | 23   | 341    | 21   | 396    | Holly       | 23   | 318    | 26   | 263    |
| Evan       | 24   | 328    | 25   | 316    | Niamh       | 24   | 313    | 18   | 341    |
| Ben        | 25   | 321    | 24   | 346    | Saoirse     | 25   | 275    | 24   | 277    |
| David      | 25   | 321    | 20   | 399    |             |      |        |      |        |

Source: CSO



