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Vital Statistics

- There were 20,000 marriages registered in 2002, the highest figure in 20 years.
- There were 60,500 births registered in 2002, the highest figure in 15 years.
- Men born now can expect to live 73 years and women 78.5 years.
- The percentage of births outside marriage dropped for the second consecutive year in 2002 and now stands at 31.1% of all births.
- There were 29,300 deaths registered in 2002, corresponding to a rate of 7.5 per 1,000 population.
- The most popular babies' names for 2002 were Jack and Sarah.

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, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act, 1952. The chapter also contains figures on divorce, nullity and judicial separation applications, provided by the Courts Service.

Births

Tables 3.1 and 3.7 contain information on births. The number of births was at its lowest in 1996, when 50,655 babies were born, and has risen more or less steadily since then. In 2002, there were 60,521 births – 31,001 male and 29,520 female. Almost one third of births, or 18,815, were outside marriage in 2002. This compares with 12,797 births outside marriage, just over a quarter of the total, in 1996.

The average age of unmarried mothers is lower than for married mothers. Half of births outside marriage are to mothers aged under 25; there were 9,179 births to mothers in this age category in 2002.

The most popular babies' names in 2002 were Jack and Sarah, respectively, for boys and girls. The top five names for boys and girls remained the same as the previous year, although the order changed slightly.

The total period fertility rate (TPFR), in table 3.8, 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. Even with the recent rise in births, the TPFR remains below the replacement level of 2.1 for the last decade and stands at 1.98 in 2002. This contrasts with 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 3.1 to 3.6 contain information on deaths. A total of 29,348 deaths were registered in 2002, giving a mortality rate of 7.5 per 1,000 population. The death rate for males was 7.8 per 1,000 population and for females 7.2 per 1,000 population. The most common causes of deaths were diseases of the circulatory system (11,595 deaths), malignant neoplasms (7,499) and diseases of the respiratory system (4,330). Injury and poisoning accounted for 1,381 deaths. There were 451 deaths due to suicide and 343 due to motor vehicle accidents.

Life Expectancy

As a result of long-term falls in mortality, people are living longer. Table 3.11 shows the life expectancy figures since 1926 and table 3.12 contains projections up to 2031. A baby boy or girl born in 1926 could expect, on the

basis of the mortality figures at that time, to live on average to about 57 years. The exact figures were 57.4 years for boys and 57.9 years for girls. By contrast, the estimated life expectancy for people born in 1996 is 73 years for boys and 78.5 years for girls. Assuming that similar trends continue into the future, male life expectancy in Ireland may be approaching 78 years by the year 2030 and female life expectancy should be about 84 years.

Marriages

Tables 3.1, 3.9 and 3.10 give information on marriages. There were 20,047 marriages registered in 2002, compared with 19,246 in 2001. The figures for 2001 and 2002 were considerably above 1996, when there were 16,174 marriages. Nevertheless, the number of marriages per year is considerably below the peak levels recorded in the 1970s. Throughout that decade, the annual number of marriages exceeded 20,000 with the highest annual figure, of 22,833, recorded in 1974. 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.

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 1996, the latest year for which this breakdown is available, there were 928 civil marriages, representing 5.7% of the total.

Divorces

Tables 3.13 and 3.14 give 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, 2,333 in 1999, 2,740 in 2000, 2,838 in 2001 and decreased to 2,591 in 2002. (Supreme Court returns not available for 2002).

Sources

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Statistics on divorce, nullity and judicial separation applications are provided by the Courts Service. $\,$

Life expectancy estimates are calculated using mortality data for the three year period around a Census year. The most recent estimates refer to 1995-1997. The projected life expectancy figures up to 2031 are taken from the CSO's Population and Labour Force Projections.

Reference period for Vital Statistics

The figures on births and deaths relate to those which occurred in the relevant years up to 2000 inclusive. Figures for 2001 and 2002 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.

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.

Table 3.1 Live births, deaths and marriages, and rates per 1,000 population

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	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Marriages	16,174	15,631	16,783	18,526	19,168	19,246	20,047
Births							
Male	26,350	27,061	27,848	27,817	28,175	29,753	31,001
Female	24,305	25,714	26,121	26,107	26,614	28,129	29,520
Total	50,655	52,775	53,969	53,924	54,789	57,882	60,521
Births within marriage	37,858	38,626	38,477	37,134	37,523	39,833	41,706
Births outside marriage	12,797	14,149	15,492	16,790	17,266	18,049	18,815
Births outside marriage as % of total births	25.3	26.8	28.7	31.1	31.5	31.2	31.1
Deaths							
Male	16,672	16,501	16,553	16,961	16,192	15,408	15,217
Female	15,051	15,080	15,010	15,647	15,199	14,404	14,131
Total	31,723	31,581	31,563	32,608	31,391	29,812	29,348
Natural increase	18,932	21,194	22,406	21,316	23,398	28,070	31,173
Rates per 1,000 of population							
Marriages	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.9	5.1	5.0	5.1
Births	14.0	14.4	14.6	14.4	14.5	15.1	15.5
Deaths	8.7	8.6	8.5	8.7	8.3	7.8	7.5

Birth, death and marriage rates per 1,000 population

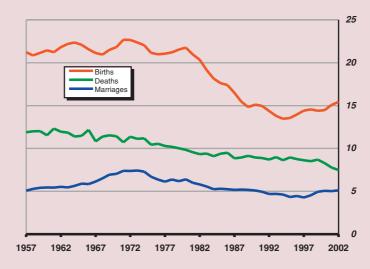


Table 3.2 Deaths classified by age and sex

							Number
Age at death	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Males							
Under 1 year	169	164	196	172	203	197	164
1-4	30	30	33	41	29	40	32
5-9	25	17	14	32	20	24	14
10-14	47	38	33	37	21	25	26
15-19	121	137	146	141	146	117	111
20-24	209	226	221	191	205	187	157
25-34	340	303	329	354	355	328	348
35-44	418	423	452	432	478	435	432
45-54	891	896	908	988	970	901	950
55-64	1,931	1,918	1,940	1,901	1,870	1,818	1,812
65-74	4,324	4,272	4,119	4,121	3,876	3,664	3,445
75-84	5,649	5,597	5,625	5,753	5,387	5,025	5,070
85-94	2,360	2,305	2,396	2,618	2,464	2,502	2,509
95 and over	158	175	141	180	168	145	147
Total	16,672	16,501	16,553	16,961	16,192	15,408	15,217
Females							
Under 1 year	134	157	120	145	135	140	142
1-4	32	30	25	33	16	29	32
5-9	11	13	18	15	19	15	12
10-14	16	23	26	24	22	19	16
15-19	51	62	54	51	61	46	40
20-24	39	51	47	58	63	60	50
25-34	125	125	115	114	116	100	126
35-44	235	263	272	252	307	301	259
45-54	540	583	567	598	626	633	561
55-64	1,044	1,092	1,078	1,091	1,074	1,017	940
65-74	2,865	2,789	2,657	2,633	2,561	2,300	2,201
75-84	5,496	5,427	5,397	5,583	5,247	5,065	4,901
85-94	3,979	4,009	4,096	4,499	4,410	4,136	4,287
95 and over	484	456	538	551	542	543	564

Total

Suicide rate per 100,000 population

15,080

15,051



15,010

15,647

15,199

14,404

14,131

Table 3.3 Death rates per 1,000 population, classified by sex and age group

Age at death	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Males								
Under 5	1.57	1.55	1.51	1.75	1.59	1.70	1.70	1.38
5-9	0.21	0.17	0.12	0.10	0.23	0.15	0.18	0.10
10-14	0.23	0.28	0.23	0.21	0.24	0.14	0.17	0.18
15-19	0.73	0.70	0.78	0.82	0.80	0.85	0.70	0.69
20-24	1.21	1.40	1.49	1.42	1.20	1.25	1.11	0.95
25-34	1.18	1.32	1.16	1.22	1.28	1.24	1.10	1.13
35-44	1.74	1.70	1.69	1.79	1.69	1.84	1.65	1.54
45-54	4.28	4.27	4.16	4.09	4.35	4.18	3.83	3.93
55-64	13.93	13.18	12.87	12.74	12.14	11.57	10.84	10.22
65-74	41.89	39.17	38.52	36.94	36.79	34.45	32.23	29.44
75 and over	125.64	122.08	118.95	117.95	122.16	113.42	106.26	107.09
Total	9.55	9.26	9.08	9.00	9.12	8.61	8.08	7.82
Females								
Under 5	1.35	1.37	1.54	1.18	1.42	1.18	1.29	1.28
5-9	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.13	0.11	0.15	0.12	0.09
10-14	0.18	0.10	0.15	0.17	0.16	0.15	0.13	0.11
15-19	0.26	0.31	0.37	0.32	0.31	0.38	0.29	0.26
20-24	0.41	0.27	0.35	0.31	0.37	0.39	0.36	0.31
25-34	0.53	0.48	0.47	0.42	0.41	0.41	0.34	0.41
35-44	1.01	0.94	1.03	1.05	0.96	1.15	1.12	0.92
45-54	2.86	2.65	2.77	2.60	2.67	2.73	2.71	2.35
55-64	7.61	7.19	7.41	7.12	7.02	6.71	6.12	5.40
65-74	22.93	22.21	21.74	20.84	20.81	20.31	18.21	17.12
75 and over	93.41	92.47	90.34	89.48	93.85	88.92	83.42	82.47
Total	8.38	8.24	8.18	8.04	8.30	7.97	7.46	7.17

Maternal deaths per 100,000 live births



Table 3.4 Deaths classified by cause and rates, per 100,000 population

		Number o	f deaths		Death rates per 100,000			
Cause of death	1999	2000	2001	2002	1999	2000	2001	2002
Total deaths	32,608	31,391	29,812	29,348	870.8	828.9	776.6	749.2
Infectious and parasitic diseases	205	223	166	174	5.5	5.9	4.3	4.4
Malignant neoplasms	7,651	7,666	7,577	7,499	204.3	202.4	197.4	191.4
Diseases of the circulatory system	13,380	12,666	11,914	11,595	357.3	334.5	310.3	296.0
Diseases of the respiratory system	5,391	4,863	4,412	4,330	144.0	128.4	114.9	110.5
Diseases of the digestive system	1,044	1,050	1,016	1,027	27.9	27.7	26.5	26.2
Injury and poisoning	1,603	1,578	1,456	1,381	42.8	41.7	37.9	35.3
Other	3,334	3,345	3,271	3,342	89.0	88.3	85.2	85.3
External causes (included above)								
Accidents and adverse effects	1,253	1,158	1,085	1,008	33.5	30.6	28.3	25.7
Motor vehicle traffic accidents	413	411	366	343	11.0	10.9	9.5	8.8
Suicide	455	486	448	451	12.2	12.8	11.7	11.5
Other	110	110	93	81	2.9	2.9	2.4	2.1

Table 3.5 Death rates from cancer by age and sex, per 100,000 population

			Males					Females		
Age at death	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Under 25	3.3	4.1	3.4	4.0	2.4	3.0	2.9	3.6	3.7	3.5
25-34	11.5	13.0	12.2	10.1	9.1	11.4	14.7	9.9	6.5	10.7
35-44	30.9	34.3	37.4	33.5	28.6	48.8	45.9	55.6	52.7	41.0
45-54	126.7	145.9	125.0	122.3	131.2	152.8	146.0	148.5	150.2	123.9
55-64	445.8	420.8	430.7	396.5	391.2	347.0	344.3	356.7	320.5	297.4
65-74	1,153.4	1,125.0	1,136.9	1,083.6	1,018.7	723.9	679.8	763.7	715.8	694.4
75 and over	2,378.6	2,354.3	2,342.3	2,333.8	2,407.6	1,332.7	1,398.1	1,316.5	1,355.3	1,312.5
Total	218.9	218.0	216.9	210.6	208.9	185.1	185.0	188.1	184.2	174.2

Source: CSO

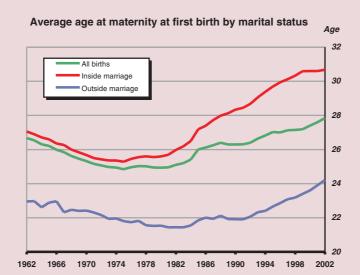
Table 3.6 Death rates from diseases of the circulatory system, per 100,000 population

			Males					Females		
Age at death	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Under 25	2.8	2.4	1.7	2.0	1.6	0.3	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.1
25-34	10.0	10.5	9.8	8.4	7.5	4.8	5.4	6.0	4.8	4.9
35-44	41.2	33.6	40.1	35.4	36.1	15.1	14.9	19.2	13.4	13.4
45-54	154.2	160.0	155.2	138.0	139.9	43.1	48.7	53.1	45.8	44.8
55-64	555.5	496.8	467.2	427.0	378.8	183.7	191.1	159.3	133.5	112.5
65-74	1,627.8	1,607.1	1,461.3	1,368.5	1,221.3	792.2	774.7	699.4	610.5	544.3
75 and over	5,325.1	5,404.3	5,014.1	4,723.0	4,589.3	4,429.1	4,479.3	4,255.4	3,950.3	3,928.1
Total	371.9	368.8	342.9	321.9	302.4	343.1	345.9	326.1	298.9	289.6

Table 3.7 Births classified by age of mother at maternity

Number	Ν	ш	m	b	e	r
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		Total bir	ths			Births outsi	de marriage	
Age	1999	2000	2001	2002	1999	2000	2001	2002
15 and under	66	67	65	63	66	67	62	59
Under 20	3,314	3,116	3,095	2,978	3,178	2,945	2,876	2,721
20-24	7,630	7,933	8,335	8,589	6,054	6,252	6,442	6,458
25-29	13,771	13,556	14,134	14,572	4,135	4,324	4,562	4,839
30-34	17,778	18,018	19,305	20,346	2,081	2,333	2,575	2,926
35-39	9,422	10,077	10,798	11,633	988	1,078	1,223	1,399
40-44	1,646	1,765	1,839	1,999	228	234	257	321
45-49	72	63	76	70	9	6	9	12
50 and over	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Age not stated	290	261	299	334	116	94	105	139
All ages	53,924	54,789	57,882	60,521	16,790	17,266	18,049	18,815



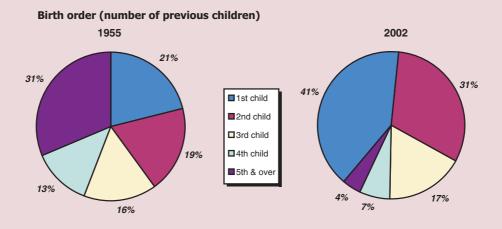


 Table 3.8
 Age specific fertility rates and total period fertility rates

			Age	at maternity				
Year	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	Total period fertility rates
1960	8.8	103.9	209.6	213.1	156.3	56.0	4.2	3.76
1961	9.5	108.2	216.9	209.6	152.1	57.7	4.2	3.79
1962	11.2	114.2	224.1	214.8	155.8	59.5	4.5	3.92
1963	12.2	120.1	229.2	223.0	153.9	60.1	3.5	4.01
1964	13.1	123.1	237.8	221.7	152.3	61.3	3.7	4.06
1965	14.0	125.1	236.1	218.9	150.3	57.6	4.2	4.03
1966	13.5	128.1	232.5	213.1	144.4	54.9	4.3	3.95
1967	14.5	129.7	220.0	208.3	138.6	52.9	4.4	3.84
1968	14.1	134.8	222.5	197.8	133.8	48.5	4.1	3.78
1969	15.4	139.7	228.7	199.5	133.1	48.1	4.4	3.85
1970	16.3	145.5	228.7	201.9	131.9	45.3	3.7	3.87
1971	19.1	150.3	243.5	200.5	131.7	46.6	3.3	3.98
1972	21.3	152.1	241.5	187.6	125.7	43.4	3.4	3.88
1973	22.4	149.9	235.0	181.2	115.6	41.3	2.7	3.74
1974	22.6	145.4	229.5	171.9	111.2	39.9	2.8	3.62
1975	22.8	138.5	216.0	162.2	100.2	36.8	2.6	3.40
1976	21.9	133.7	211.7	162.2	94.9	34.8	3.1	3.31
1977	21.2	130.4	205.5	166.7	93.9	33.2	3.0	3.27
1978	21.8	126.2	201.7	167.8	96.5	31.1	2.8	3.24
1979	22.7	125.9	202.5	168.4	94.1	29.9	2.3	3.23
1980	23.0	125.3	202.3	165.7	97.3	29.6	2.3	3.23
1981	22.2	117.4	190.3	161.5	93.6	26.5	2.4	3.07
1982	20.7	110.2	185.0	156.9	91.6	24.9	2.2	2.96
1983	18.7	102.6	172.3	146.9	84.6	25.0	1.7	2.76
1984	18.0	95.4	163.3	138.4	78.9	21.8	1.9	2.59
1985	16.6	87.2	158.6	138.4	75.3	21.6	1.5	2.50
1986	16.4	83.1	154.3	139.0	73.4	21.2	1.5	2.44
1987	16.1	75.4	147.9	132.3	68.6	19.8	1.3	2.31
1988	15.3	69.6	141.0	125.5	63.2	17.8	1.1	2.17
1989	14.8	64.0	134.4	122.0	62.4	17.0	1.1	2.08
1990	16.7	63.3	137.6	126.2	63.1	15.4	1.1	2.12
1991	17.1	64.0	131.8	124.4	63.4	15.2	1.0	2.09
1992	16.9	58.9	123.9	122.3	61.3	14.4	0.8	1.99
1993	16.3	53.8	116.5	121.2	58.5	14.1	0.9	1.91
1994	15.0	50.7	112.5	119.8	58.6	12.8	0.7	1.85
1995	15.1	50.3	106.7	123.5	60.3	13.1	0.8	1.85
1996	16.7	52.2	105.3	127.1	63.9	11.8	0.6	1.89
1997	17.5	50.6	105.4	132.9	67.2	13.5	0.8	1.94
1998	19.1	51.2	100.7	134.1	70.4	13.5	0.6	1.95
1999	20.0	49.1	95.9	133.4	70.2	13.1	0.6	1.91
2000	19.3	49.2	91.1	134.5	73.6	13.8	0.5	1.91
2001	19.6	50.3	90.6	141.3	78.7	14.1	0.6	1.98
2002	19.6	53.0	93.6	134.3	79.9	14.7	0.6	1.98

Table 3.9 Marriages registered according to the mode of celebration

Number

	Church of				Other			
Year	Ireland	Presbyterian	Methodist	Jewish	non-Catholic	Civil	Catholic	Total
1957	509	97	27	19	5	52	13,948	14,657
1958	389	91	32	17	4	45	14,483	15,061
1959	444	97	35	16	4	76	14,748	15,420
1960	371	115	34	18	4	57	14,866	15,465
1961	375	92	29	17	5	39	14,772	15,329
1962	438	120	28	14	3	47	14,977	15,627
1963	430	112	30	12	6	78	14,888	15,556
1964	412	103	31	7	3	66	15,506	16,128
1965	429	83	33	9	7	56	16,329	16,946
1966	444	117	33	8	4	79	16,164	16,849
1967	475	103	30	3	6	74	17,097	17,788
1968	465	120	31	8	13	96	18,260	18,993
1969	567	116	36	15	5	124	19,441	20,304
1970	518	104	29	7	10	121	19,989	20,778
1971	566	111	30	6	13	170	21,118	22,014
1972	528	130	43	7	13	168	21,413	22,302
1973	491	113	25	12	3	179	21,993	22,816
1974	441	103	30	7	8	239	22,005	22,833
1975	426	82	24	5	2	224	20,517	21,280
1976	490	93	35	7	8	282	19,665	20,580
1977	342	88	27	8	5	266	19,280	20,016
1978	394	65	17	2	3	322	20,381	21,184
1979	325	60	15	5	8	351	20,042	20,806
1980	332	51	23	11	13	388	20,974	21,792
1981	392	63	25	4	27	454	19,647	20,612
1982	376	119	41	1	20	540	19,127	20,224
1983	404	71	23	2	19	902	18,046	19,467
1984	380	84	32	15	22	606	17,388	18,513
1985	364	73	35	1	13	581	17,724	18,791
1986	387	64	32	1	14	598	17,477	18,573
1987	455	54	33	16	17	655	17,079	18,309
1988	430	74	34	11	16	670	17,147	18,382
1989	352	59	21	3	27	675	17,037	18,174
1990	423	73	27	6	27	656	16,626	17,838
1991	392	52	30	0	25	649	16,293	17,441
1992	521	98	35	0	32	695	15,255	16,636
1993	444	58	43	1	41	837	15,400	16,824
1994	434	51	33	3	50	850	15,200	16,621
1995	425	76	25	1	28	891	14,158	15,604
1996	483	91	38	2	25	928	14,607	16,174

Table 3.10 Marriages registered in 1996 classified by age of bride and groom

	Age of bride											
Age of groom	Under 20	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60 and over	Not stated	Total marriages
Under 20	51	24	5	_	_	1	_	_	_	_	_	81
20-24	81	1,123	475	54	6	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,739
25-29	38	1,802	4,695	834	93	8	2	1	_	_	6	7,479
30-34	17	450	2,340	1,586	249	26	5	_	1	-	5	4,679
35-39	3	74	364	553	261	57	10	2	-	-	1	1,325
40-44	1	13	82	128	133	55	14	3	1	-	1	431
45-49	1	2	15	36	47	41	28	7	-	1	_	178
50-54	-	1	3	11	16	14	12	11	5	1	-	74
55-59	-	_	3	4	4	3	9	14	4	8	_	49
60-64	-	_	-	-	2	3	6	3	9	10	_	33
65 and over	_	_	2	1	1	6	1	11	5	41	-	68
Age not stated	_	3	5	3	1	-	-	_	-	_	26	38
Total marriages	192	3,492	7,989	3,210	813	214	87	52	25	61	39	16,174

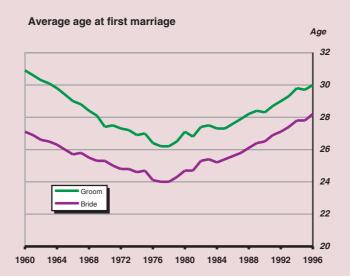
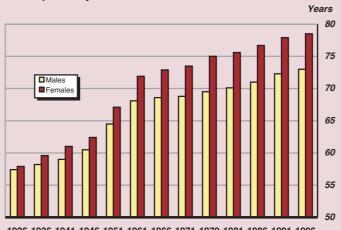




Table 3.11 Life expectancy at various ages

		Age in years										
Period	0	5	10	30	40	50	60	70	80	90		
					Males	S						
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		
					Female	es						
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		

Life expectancy at birth



1926 1936 1941 1946 1951 1961 1966 1971 1979 1981 1986 1991 1996

Table 3.12 Projected life expectancy at various ages

	Age in years										
Period	0	5	10	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	
					Male	s					
2000-2002	73.8	69.3	64.4	45.3	35.8	26.5	17.9	10.9	6.1	3.2	
2005-2007	74.6	70.1	65.1	46.0	36.5	27.1	18.3	11.2	6.3	3.3	
2010-2012	75.3	70.7	65.8	46.6	37.2	27.7	18.8	11.6	6.5	3.4	
2015-2017	75.9	71.4	66.4	47.3	37.8	28.3	19.3	11.9	6.7	3.5	
2020-2022	76.6	72.0	67.0	47.9	38.4	28.9	19.7	12.2	6.9	3.6	
2025-2027	77.2	72.6	67.6	48.5	39.0	29.4	20.2	12.5	7.1	3.7	
2030-2032	77.8	73.2	68.2	49.1	39.6	30.0	20.6	12.9	7.3	3.8	
	Females										
2000-2002	79.5	75.0	70.0	50.3	40.6	31.1	22.1	14.2	7.9	3.9	
2005-2007	80.3	75.8	70.8	51.1	41.4	31.8	22.8	14.7	8.2	4.0	
2010-2012	81.1	76.5	71.6	51.9	42.1	32.5	23.4	15.2	8.5	4.1	
2015-2017	81.9	77.3	72.3	52.6	42.8	33.2	24.0	15.7	8.8	4.2	
2020-2022	82.6	78.0	73.0	53.3	43.5	33.9	24.5	16.2	9.1	4.3	
2025-2027	83.3	78.7	73.7	54.0	44.2	34.5	25.1	15.6	9.4	4.4	
2030-2032	84.0	79.3	74.3	54.6	44.8	35.1	25.7	17.1	9.6	4.5	

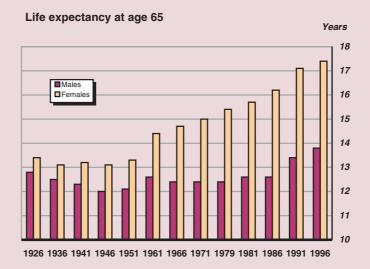


Table 3.13 Divorce, judicial separation and nullity applications received and granted by the Circuit Courts, 2001

Number

	Divorce a	pplications	Judicial separation	applications	Nullity applications		
Circuit Court	Received	Granted	Received	Granted	Received	Granted	
Carlow	46	41	30	17	0	0	
Carrick on Shannon	8	9	9	6	0	0	
Castlebar	52	49	48	30	2	2	
Cavan	21	30	20	23	1	2	
Clonmel	83	66	46	19	1	1	
Cork	397	340	244	199	20	24	
Dublin	1,398	1,096	678	249	68	9	
Dundalk	87	67	65	36	0	2	
Ennis	81	79	29	35	1	2	
Galway	115	111	50	48	5	5	
Kilkenny	49	39	32	23	0	2	
Letterkenny	74	80	44	37	2	3	
Limerick	148	147	69	34	1	1	
Longford	23	15	11	5	0	0	
Monaghan	37	12	30	21	0	0	
Mullingar	68	47	21	17	1	1	
Naas	136	73	74	21	3	2	
Portlaoise	31	30	23	19	1	0	
Roscommon	45	31	40	16	0	0	
Sligo	36	37	28	23	0	0	
Tralee	75	43	56	24	0	0	
Trim	76	56	53	34	1	2	
Tullamore	44	27	20	13	0	0	
Waterford	122	101	42	35	0	0	
Wexford	100	83	29	14	0	0	
Wicklow	107	108	54	20	2	1	
Total	3,459	2,817	1,845	1,018	109	59	

Source: Courts Service

Divorce applications

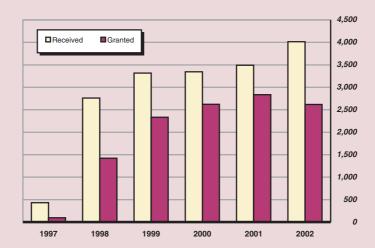


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Number

	Divorce a	pplications	Judicial separation	applications	Nullity applications		
Circuit Court	Received	Granted	Received	Granted	Received	Granted	
Carlow	27	21	19	5	0	0	
Carrick on Shannon	14	9	8	1	0	0	
Castlebar	46	46	37	22	3	1	
Cavan	30	20	19	6	0	0	
Clonmel	94	68	38	24	1	1	
Cork	809	312	486	116	17	4	
Dublin	1,585	951	545	290	20	18	
Dundalk	67	52	67	26	3	3	
Ennis	78	49	30	20	0	1	
Galway	19	31	35	37	3	3	
Kilkenny	57	61	22	40	0	0	
Letterkenny	70	76	45	29	0	2	
Limerick	138	139	62	36	0	0	
Longford	17	23	14	10	0	1	
Monaghan	29	29	27	20	0	1	
Mullingar	64	77	30	17	1	1	
Naas	100	93	72	32	0	1	
Portlaoise	41	21	13	7	0	0	
Roscommon	53	31	34	15	1	0	
Sligo	38	32	31	24	0	0	
Tralee	86	42	48	28	1	1	
Trim	61	63	63	39	1	1	
Tullamore	30	38	11	10	0	0	
Waterford	138	86	46	34	0	0	
Wexford	112	106	41	28	0	1	
Wicklow	109	95	28	24	1	0	
Total	3,912	2,571	1,871	940	52	40	

Source: Courts Service

Table 3.15 Top 25 babies' names registered in 2002, in order of popularity, with corresponding rank in 2001

Boy's name	2002	Number	2001	Number	Girl's name	2002	Number	2001	Number
Jack	1	868	1	930	Sarah	1	655	1	650
Sean	2	866	2	867	Aoife	2	585	2	601
Adam	3	798	3	833	Ciara	3	577	5	552
Conor	4	748	4	702	Emma	4	532	3	592
James	5	581	5	613	Chloe	5	516	4	556
Daniel	6	559	11	475	Amy	6	485	8	447
Cian	7	536	6	557	Katie	7	418	9	422
Michael	8	520	10	483	Niamh	8	407	6	477
David	9	501	7	549	Sophie	9	404	16	303
Luke	10	489	9	517	Lauren	10	402	6	477
Dylan	11	485	8	538	Megan	11	387	10	401
Aaron	12	467	12	459	Hannah	12	368	15	343
Patrick	13	366	17	365	Rachel	13	364	11	400
Ryan	14	365	18	349	Rebecca	14	361	14	350
John	15	362	15	372	Leah	15	351	12	374
Eoin	16	361	18	349	Laura	16	349	13	361
Matthew	17	351	22	287	Jessica	17	302	20	262
Thomas	18	349	14	377	Kate	18	301	22	258
Ben	19	345	27	258	Emily	19	278	18	287
Joshua	19	345	28	257	Caoimhe	20	272	19	274
Shane	21	343	13	385	Anna	21	247	26	232
Mark	22	336	16	366	Shauna	22	232	17	299
Jamie	23	333	20	342	Ellen	23	229	24	241
Darragh	24	310	21	298	Nicole	24	228	21	259
Oisin	25	300	23	283	Roisin	24	228	25	239

