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Overview statistics

Gross and Net Migration Flows, 2000 - 2011								
Year	Emigrant Immigrant		Net migration					
000								
2011	76.4	42.3	-34.1					
2010	65.3	30.8	-34.5					
2009	65.1	57.3	-7.8					
2008	45.3	83.8	38.5					
2007	42.2	109.5	67.3					
2006	36.0	107.8	71.8					
2005	29.4	84.6	55.1					
2004	26.5	58.5	32.0					
2003	29.3	60.0	30.7					
2002	25.6	66.9	41.3					
2001	26.2	59.0	32.8					
2000	26.6	52.6	26.0					

2009, 2010 and 2011 data are preliminary Source: Population and Migration Estimates, CSO.

Estimated Immigration by Nationality, 2000 - 2011								
Year	Irish	UK	EU 13*	EU 10/12**	Rest of World	Total		
000								
2011	17.1	2.6	5.8	9.0	7.9	42.3		
2010	13.3	2.4	4.3	5.8	4.9	30.8		
2009	18.4	4.4	8.6	13.5	12.4	57.3		
2008	16.2	7.0	8.6	33.7	18.3	83.8		
2007	20.0	5.9	10.4	52.7	20.6	109.5		
2006	18.9	9.9	12.7	49.9	16.4	107.8		
2005	18.5	8.9	9.3	34.1	13.7	84.6		
2004	16.7	7.4	13.3	-	21.1	58.5		
2003	17.6	9.1	8.8	-	24.5	60.0		
2002	27.0	7.4	8.1	-	24.4	66.9		
2001	26.3	9.0	6.5	-	17.3	59.0		
2000	24.8	8.4	8.2	-	11.1	52.6		

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Estimated Emigration by Nationality, 2006 - 2011								
Year	Irish	UK	EU 13*	EU 10/12**	Rest of World	Total		
	000							
2011	40.2	3.8	9.1	15.2	8.2	76.4		
2010	27.7	2.6	7.8	19.1	8.1	65.3		
2009	18.4	2.9	5.5	30.1	8.3	65.1		
2008	13.4	2.4	4.2	18.8	6.4	45.3		
2007	13.1	2.3	6.9	14.4	5.5	42.2		
2006	15.3	2.2	5.1	7.2	6.2	36.0		

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Registrations of permission to remain in the State

- The number of non-EEA nationals registered with permission to remain in the State was estimated at 130,500 at end 2011
- Top 6 registered nationalities were: Indian (11%), Chinese (9%), Brazilian (9%), Nigerian (9%), Philippine (8%) and US (7%)

Visa applications

- Approximately 83,000 entry visa applications were processed (91% approved) in 2011, an increase of 8 per cent on 2010 figures
- Top 5 nationalities of visa applicants were: Indian (17%), Russian (14%), Chinese (12%), Turkish (5%) and Saudi (5%)

Naturalisation / citizenship

• **16,000 applications for citizenship** were decided in 2011 compared to fewer than 8,000 in 2010

Students

Approximately 32,500 non-EEA national students (25% of total registered non-EEA nationals) are registered to study in the State

International Protection and Asylum

• 1,250 new applications for asylum were received in 2011 compared to 1,939 in 2010

Deportations/Removals

- 280 unsuccessful asylum applicants and illegal migrants were deported
- 144 asylum seekers were transferred under the Dublin Regulation to the EU member state in which they first presented
- 3,700 were refused entry into the State and subsequently removed
- 475 people returned voluntarily of which 402 were assisted by the International Organization for Migration IOM)

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Employment

Latest Quarterly National Household Survey figures show that there were **221,400 non-Irish** nationals in employment in quarter **2 2011**, representing a decrease of **8,200 or 3.6%** over the year.

The figures show:

- A decrease of 29,500 (-1.8%) was recorded in employment for Irish-nationals.
- Overall non-Irish national unemployment in quarter 2 2011 remained unchanged from a year earlier (46,800).
- Some 257,700 Irish nationals were unemployed in the quarter, an increase of 10,900 or 4.4% over the year.
- While the estimated number of non-Irish nationals who were unemployed remained unchanged, the **unemployment rate increased to 17.4%**, up from 16.9% in quarter 2 2010. This increase in the rate occurred as a result of a reduction in the non-Irish national labour force over the year (8,300).
- In comparison, the unemployment rate among Irish nationals was 13.9% in quarter 2 2011, up from 13.2% a year earlier, with the number of Irish nationals participating in the labour force falling by 18,500.