



# Stats Update

## National & County Galway

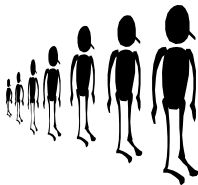
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## CSO Begin Release of 2011 Census Data

### Population

- 175,124 = Population of County Galway 2011 (10% increase from 2006)
- 52.9% of the increase is due to natural increase and 47% is due to net migration.
- County Galway is a very rural County with 77.4% of people living in rural areas compared to the state average of 38%.
- Tuam (8,242), Ballinasloe (6,577), Loughrea (5,062) and Oranmore (4,799) were the 4 largest towns in County Galway in 2011.



### Age

- County Galway has a larger proportion of people in the 0 – 14 age category and 35+ age categories compared to the City
- The City has a much larger proportion of people in the 20 – 34 age category
- Between 2006 – 2011 in County Galway the 60 – 64 age category saw the biggest increase in people followed by the 0 – 4 age category

### Living Arrangements & Family Units

- There are 60,952 private households in County Galway with an average of 2.8 persons per household
- A husband and wife with children make up the largest portion of households in County Galway at 37.1% followed by one person households at 23.1% and husband and wife at 15.4%
- Older females are more likely to live alone than older males
- 51.6% of the population of County Galway were single in 2011
- 40.3% of the population of County Galway were married in 2011

### Households

- There are 60,952 households in County Galway with an average of 2.8 persons / household

### Non Irish Residents

- The proportion of non Irish people living in County Galway has risen from 8.1% in 2006 to 14.7% in 2011.
- Persons born in England and Wales made up the highest proportion of these at 6.7%. Americans were second at 3.1% and Poles were third at 1.8%.

### Ethnicity & Language

- There are 2,476 Travellers in County, 1.4% of the usually resident population
- A higher proportion of people living in the Gaeltacht in County Galway speak Irish (75.2%) compared to the proportion of all the other Gaeltacht areas in the Country combined (69.5%)

### Housing

- The vacancy housing ratio in County Galway is 19.4% which is higher than the City of 11.2% and the state of 14.5%

### Socio-economic Group and Social Class

- County Galway has a much higher proportion of farmers (7.2%) than the City (0.4%) and the State (3.6%)
- Galway City has a higher proportion of people in the Professional worker social class (10%) than the County (7.8%) or the State (7.3%)
- County Galway has a much higher proportion of people in the skilled manual social class (16.3%) than the City (9.9%)

## The Labour Force and Unemployment

- The unemployment rate for County Galway has increased from 7.7% in 2006 to 18.1% in 2011
- The unemployment rate for County Galway in 2011 (18.1%) was lower than the state (19%) and Galway City (18.6%)
- In 2011 in County Galway the unemployment rate for males was 21.6% whereas the unemployment rate for females was 13.7%
- Galway County had the sixth lowest rise in unemployment rate between 2006 and 2011 of the 34 local authority areas with a rise of 10.4%

## Education

- The number of people leaving school with lower education levels has dropped while the numbers leaving with some form of third level education has increased

## Travel Patterns and Car Ownership

- The number of households in County Galway that have at least one motor car has increased from 85.9% in 2006 to 88.7% in 2011
- County Galway has a higher proportion of households with at least one motor car (88.7%) than the City (76.3%) and the State (82.4%)

## Computer Ownership & Internet Access

- Less households in County Galway own a computer (70.1%) than in the City (75.6%) and the State (72.7%)
- A lot less households in County Galway have Broadband internet (57.6%) than in the City (72.8%) and the State (63.8%)

For more information on CSO results visit the CSO website on [www.cso.ie](http://www.cso.ie)

## County Galway Live Register Figures

The Live Register is **not** designed to measure unemployment as it includes part-time, seasonal and casual workers entitled to Jobseekers Allowance or Jobseekers Benefit. The live register is compiled from returns made from each local Social Welfare office.

Office	January 2008	January 2009	January 2010	January 2011	June 2012
Ballinasloe	1,048	1,940	2,643	2,692	2,539
Clifden	782	1,126	1,351	1,357	1,182
Gort	627	1,110	1,507	1,493	1,471
Loughrea	838	1,762	2,525	2,536	2,336
Tuam	1,279	2,521	3,400	3,466	3,333
<b>Total County Galway</b>	<b>4,574</b>	<b>8,459</b>	<b>11,426</b>	<b>11,544</b>	<b>10,861</b>
Galway City	6,001	9,943	12,157	12,026	12,076
<b>Total Galway (City &amp; County)</b>	<b>10,575</b>	<b>18,402</b>	<b>22,722</b>	<b>23,570</b>	<b>22,937</b>
<b>Total State</b>	<b>179,400</b>	<b>324,100</b>	<b>434,700</b>	<b>442,677</b>	<b>451,974</b>

## The Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR)

The Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR) is an estimate of unemployment.

January 2008	4.8%
January 2009	9.4%
January 2010	13%
January 2011	14.7%
<b>June 2012</b>	<b>14.9%</b>

There is no current unemployment rate available for Galway City or County