

TOURAGE INTERREG IVC PROJECT

Regional Analysis on Demographic Change

WEST REGIONAL AUTHORITY

Name of the region:	West Regional Authority	Name in original language:	West Regional Authority	Level (NUTS 2/NUTS3):	NUTS3
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1. REGIONAL STRATEGIES ON DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE	Name of the strategy/action plan etc.:	Short description of the strategy, and time frame:	Link to English version (or original):
1.1 Document 1	Regional Planning Guidelines For The West Region 2010 - 2022	The aim of the Guidelines is to provide a framework for long term strategic development in the West Region for the period 2010 – 2022 which is consistent with the National Spatial Strategy (NSS) 2002 – 2020 and which ensures the successful implementation of the National Spatial Strategy (NSS) at the regional, county and local level.	www.wra.ie
2. DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS OF THE REGION	2000	2005	2010
2.1 Total average population	352,353	380,297	414,277
2.2 Population density	27.55	30,10	32.24
2.3.a Population structure % - 0-14	23.95%	21.08%	20.13%

2.3.b Population structure % - 15-64	62.10%	65.97%	67.28%
2.3.c Population structure % - 65+	13.95%	12.95%	12.59%
2.4 Live births		5,655	6,654
2.5 Deaths		3,079	2,979
2.6 Fertility rate (live births per woman) Age 15-49	1.89	1.93	1.98
2.7 Old age dependency ratio			
2.8 Young Age Dependency ratio	28.6%	25.6%	20.9%
2.9 Dependency ratio	40.3%	32.7%	30.5%
2.10 Crude rates of population change	23.94%	21.08%	20.13%
2.11.a Life expectancy at birth – Male	7.90%	8.90%	7.50%
2.11.b Life expectancy at birth – Female	73.0	75,50	77,10
2.12.a Life expectancy at age 65 – Male	78,50	80,90	82,70
2.12.b Life expectancy at age 65 – Female	13,90	15,60	16,80
2.13.a Healthy life years at age 65 – Male	17,40	19.0	20,60
2.13.b Healthy life years at age 65 – Female		33,93	36,80

3. Employment of seniors	2000	2005	2010
3.1.a Employment rate over the age 65 - Male		5.86%	5.78%
3.1.b Employment rate over the age 65 – Female		7.08%	6.79%
3.2 Average exit age from the labour force		64,10	

4. MAIN ACTORS OF THE REGION RELATING TO AGEING AND DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE	Name of the organisation:	Role of the organisation:	Web link (if possible to English version):
4.1 Organisation 1	Dept of the Environment, Community & Local Government	Provides direction and funding in many aspects of aging and demographic change.	www.environ.ie/
4.2 Organisation 2	HSE West	Provide range of different services for the Elderly under the auspices of the Department of Health..	www.hse.ie
4.3 Organisation 3	4 Local Authorities in the Region	Carry out assessment of Housing needs and assist in the direct provision of Housing for the Elderly on the basis of this assessment.	www.galway.ie www.galwaycity.ie www.roscommon.ie www.mayococo.ie
4.4 Organisation 4	Irish Centre for Social Gerontology	The Irish Centre for Social Gerontology is a multidisciplinary research centre on ageing, which focuses on research, education and training in the field of social gerontology in Ireland and internationally.	http://www.nuigalway.ie/our-research/listings/social-gerontology.htm
4.5 Organisation 5	Central Statistics Office of Ireland	Provides detailed statistical information to National Government whom then based on this information can make decisions with regard to the Elderly.	www.cso.ie
4.6 Organisation 6	Voluntary Bodies	Direct provision of Housing & other facilities for the Elderly on the basis of assessment carried out by Local Authorities.	www.cluid.ie