

**AGE/SEX**

In April 2011 Ballina had a population of 2,442, consisting of 1,177 males and 1,265 females.

The population of pre-school age (0-4) was 289, of primary school going age (5-12) was 384 and of secondary school going age (13-18) was 170. There were 164 persons aged 65 years and over. The number of persons aged 18 years or over was 1,617.

**MARITAL STATUS**

Of the 1,705 persons aged 15 years and over, 571 were single, 967 were married, 57 were separated, 49 were divorced and 61 were widowed.

**LIVING ARRANGEMENTS**

There were 857 private households in Ballina in April 2011, of which 175 were single person households. Of the 657 families in the area, 159 were couples with no children. The average number of children per family was 1.4 compared with 1.4 nationally.

**HOUSEHOLDS BY COMPOSITION**

	Ballina		State
	No. of households	% breakdown	% breakdown
One Person	175	20.4	23.7
Couple without children	144	16.8	18.9
Couple with children	379	44.2	34.9
Lone parent family	89	10.4	10.9
Other	70	8.2	11.6
Total	857	100.0	100.0

**MIGRATION AND NATIONALITIES**

91.4 per cent of the usually resident population aged over 1 lived at the same address one year before the census. A further 2.7 per cent lived elsewhere in the same county, 4.3 per cent lived elsewhere in the State while 1.6 per cent lived outside the State twelve months before the census on April 10, 2011.

Non-Irish nationals accounted for 15.6 per cent of the population of Ballina compared with a national average figure of 12.0 per cent. UK nationals (130 persons) were the largest group, followed by Polish (126 persons).

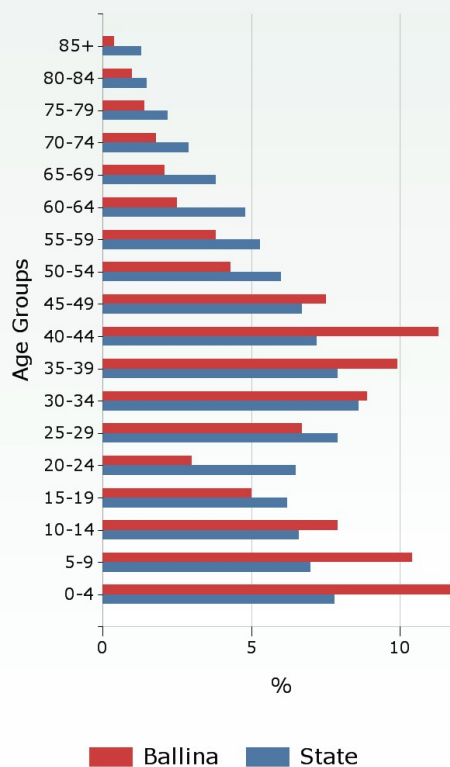
**LANGUAGES**

1,015 persons could speak the Irish language and of these 392 spoke the language daily. 296 persons spoke a language other than Irish or English at home and of these 61 could not speak English well or at all. Polish was the most common foreign language spoken at home with 121 speakers.

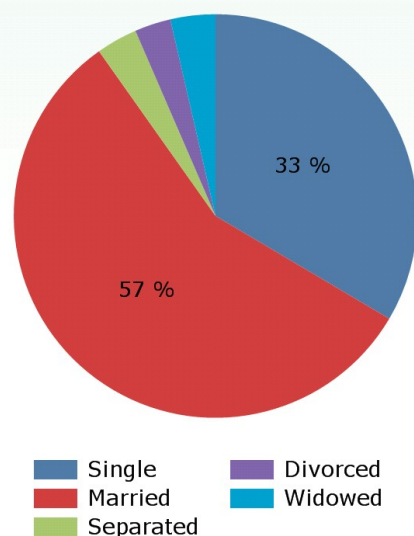
**RELIGION**

There were 1,995 Roman Catholics in the area at census time. A further 199 were adherents of other stated religions (e.g. Church of Ireland, Islam, Presbyterian, Orthodox), while 204 persons indicated that they had no religion.

**AGE COMPARISON**



**MARITAL STATUS (AGE 15+)**



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## THIS AREA: BALLINA

### LABOUR FORCE

There were 1,157 persons aged 15 years and over in the labour force and of these, 83.0 per cent (960 persons) were at work. The unemployment rate for this area was 17.0 per cent compared with a national average rate of 19.0 per cent.

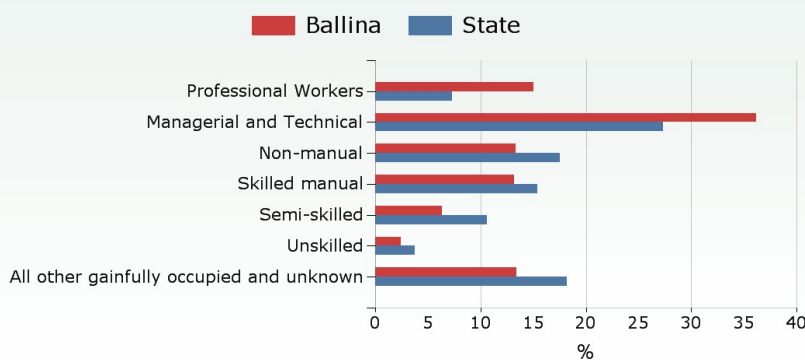
Of the 548 persons aged 15 years and over who were outside the labour force, 30.3 per cent were students, 32.1 per cent were looking after the home/family and 28.3 per cent were retired.

Of the 960 workers enumerated in Ballina, 684 worked outside the area. The daytime working population (resident and non-resident) of Ballina was 261 with commerce and trade being the largest industry.

### EDUCATION

Of those aged 15 years and over whose full-time education had ceased, 6.9 per cent were educated to at most primary level only; a further 45.4 per cent attained second level while 47.7 per cent were educated to third level.

### SOCIAL CLASS COMPARISON



### TRAVEL TO WORK

The most popular means of travelling to work was by car (driver) with this mode accounting for 76.3 per cent of all journeys. 8 persons commuted using public transport (bus or rail). The average journey time was 31 minutes and 29.2 per cent of workers faced a commuting time in excess of 30 minutes.

### DISABILITY AND CARERS

234 persons had a disability in April 2011, of whom 60, representing 25.6 per cent of the total, were aged 65 years and over.

98 persons (40 males and 58 females) provided regular unpaid personal help for a friend or family member with a long-term illness, health problem or disability. 18.4 per cent of these provided care for more than 6 hours per day.

### HOUSING, INTERNET AND CARS

96.3 per cent of households lived in houses or bungalows while a further 3.7 per cent lived in apartments, flats or bedsits. 569 dwellings (66.4 per cent) were owner occupied while 280 dwellings (32.7 per cent) were rented. 51.6 per cent of the dwellings in this area were built in the ten years before the census. The average number of persons per household was 2.9 compared with 2.7 nationally.

77.6 per cent of households had broadband connectivity compared with 63.8 per cent nationally. 52.7 per cent of households had two or more cars.

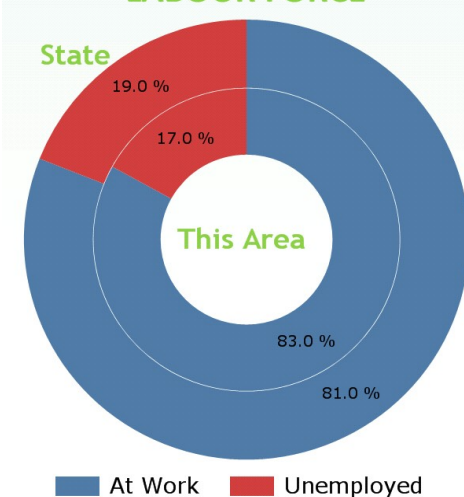
### GENERAL HEALTH

In this area 2,237 persons stated they were in very good or good health, representing 91.6 per cent of total persons. This compares to 88.3 per cent of total persons nationally. 15 persons stated they were in bad or very bad health, representing 0.6 per cent of total persons in this area. Again this compares with 1.5 per cent of total persons nationally.

## WORKERS BY INDUSTRY

Industry	Daytime Working Population
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	9
Building and construction	8
Manufacturing	5
Commerce and trade	73
Transport and communications	14
Public administration	2
Professional services	61
Other	89
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>

## LABOUR FORCE



## PERMANENT HOUSING STOCK

Dwelling Type	This Area	State
<b>Occupied or Usually Occupied</b>	876	1,705,394
<i>Of which</i>		
House or Bungalow	93.4%	84.7%
Flat, Apartment, Bedsit	3.5%	11.0%
Not Stated	3.1%	4.3%
<b>Vacant</b>	189	289,451
<i>Of which</i>		
Holiday Home	28.6%	20.5%
Other	71.4%	79.5%