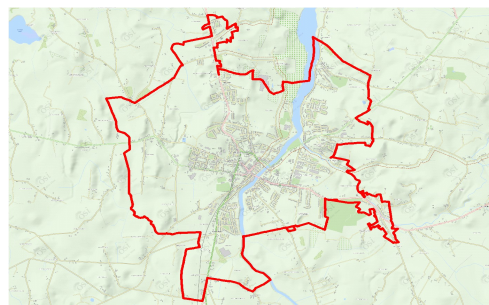


**AREA PROFILE FOR TOWN**

**BALLINA LEGAL TOWN AND ITS ENVIRONS CO. MAYO**



**AGE/SEX**

In April 2011 Ballina had a population of 11,086, consisting of 5,463 males and 5,623 females.

The population of pre-school age (0-4) was 980, of primary school going age (5-12) was 1,236 and of secondary school going age (13-18) was 817. There were 1,349 persons aged 65 years and over. The number of persons aged 18 years or over was 8,199.

**MARITAL STATUS**

Of the 8,596 persons aged 15 years and over, 3,718 were single, 3,745 were married, 351 were separated, 245 were divorced and 537 were widowed.

**LIVING ARRANGEMENTS**

There were 4,264 private households in Ballina in April 2011, of which 1,285 were single person households. Of the 2,796 families in the area, 828 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	1,285	30.1	23.7
Couple without children	756	17.7	18.9
Couple with children	1,256	29.5	34.9
Lone parent family	555	13.0	10.9
Other	412	9.7	11.6
Total	4,264	100.0	100.0

**MIGRATION AND NATIONALITIES**

92.1 per cent of the usually resident population aged over 1 lived at the same address one year before the census. A further 5.4 per cent lived elsewhere in the same county, 1.6 per cent lived elsewhere in the State while 0.9 per cent lived outside the State twelve months before the census on April 10, 2011.

Non-Irish nationals accounted for 12.0 per cent of the population of Ballina compared with a national average figure of 12.0 per cent. Polish (579 persons) were the largest group, followed by UK nationals (368 persons).

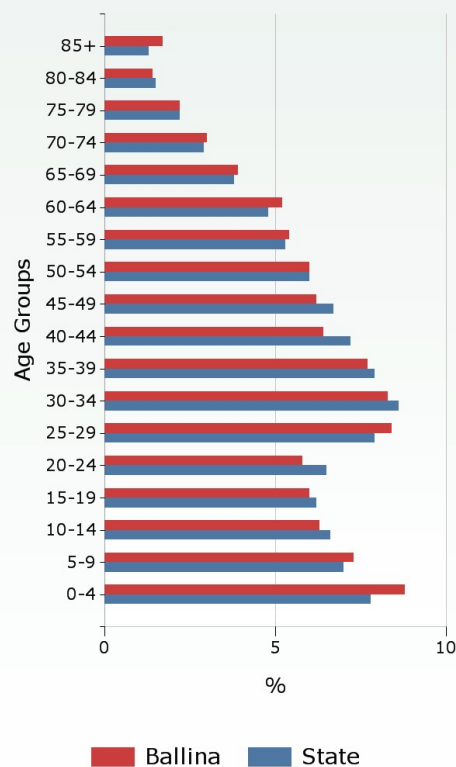
**LANGUAGES**

3,953 persons could speak the Irish language and of these 1,279 spoke the language daily. 1,114 persons spoke a language other than Irish or English at home and of these 281 could not speak English well or at all. Polish was the most common foreign language spoken at home with 551 speakers.

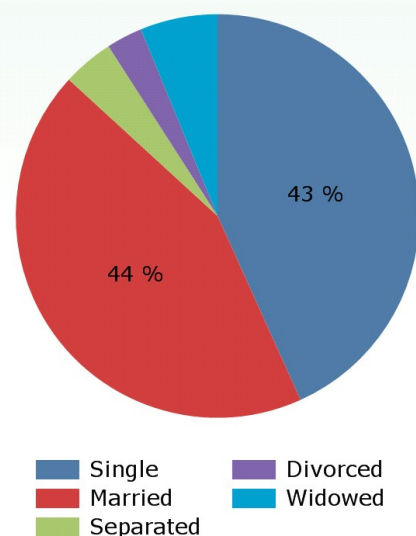
**RELIGION**

There were 10,123 Roman Catholics in the area at census time. A further 531 were adherents of other stated religions (e.g. Church of Ireland, Islam, Presbyterian, Orthodox), while 301 persons indicated that they had no religion.

**AGE COMPARISON**



**MARITAL STATUS (AGE 15+)**



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## THIS AREA: BALLINA LEGAL TOWN AND ITS ENVIRONS

### LABOUR FORCE

There were 5,260 persons aged 15 years and over in the labour force and of these, 74.1 per cent (3,896 persons) were at work. The unemployment rate for this area was 25.9 per cent compared with a national average rate of 19.0 per cent.

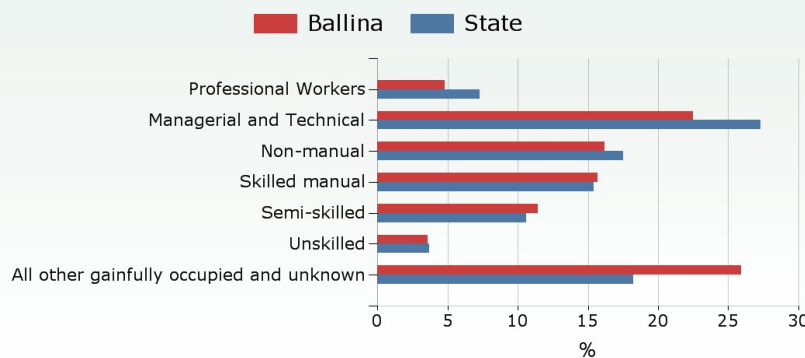
Of the 3,336 persons aged 15 years and over who were outside the labour force, 23.4 per cent were students, 24.3 per cent were looking after the home/family and 36.7 per cent were retired.

Of the 3,896 workers enumerated in Ballina, 1,205 worked outside the area. The daytime working population (resident and non-resident) of Ballina was 4,808 with commerce and trade being the largest industry.

### EDUCATION

Of those aged 15 years and over whose full-time education had ceased, 18.7 per cent were educated to at most primary level only; a further 57.2 per cent attained second level while 24.1 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 63.7 per cent of all journeys. 51 persons commuted using public transport (bus or rail). The average journey time was 18 minutes and 15.0 per cent of workers faced a commuting time in excess of 30 minutes.

### DISABILITY AND CARERS

1,580 persons had a disability in April 2011, of whom 570, representing 36.1 per cent of the total, were aged 65 years and over.

450 persons (181 males and 269 females) provided regular unpaid personal help for a friend or family member with a long-term illness, health problem or disability. 27.3 per cent of these provided care for more than 6 hours per day.

### HOUSING, INTERNET AND CARS

94.0 per cent of households lived in houses or bungalows while a further 5.9 per cent lived in apartments, flats or bedsits. 2,702 dwellings (63.4 per cent) were owner occupied while 1,509 dwellings (35.4 per cent) were rented. 28.3 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 2.6 compared with 2.7 nationally.

57.5 per cent of households had broadband connectivity compared with 63.8 per cent nationally. 29.8 per cent of households had two or more cars.

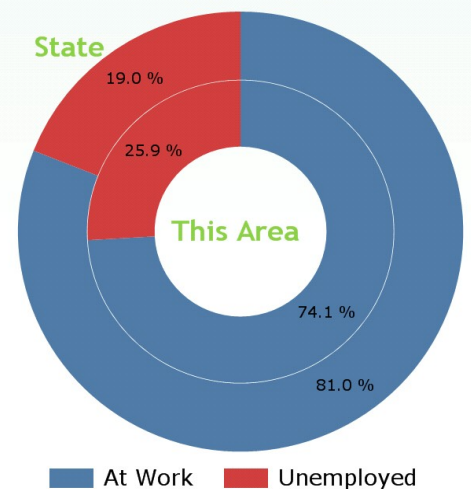
### GENERAL HEALTH

In this area 9,564 persons stated they were in very good or good health, representing 86.3 per cent of total persons. This compares to 88.3 per cent of total persons nationally. 252 persons stated they were in bad or very bad health, representing 2.3 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	63
Building and construction	83
Manufacturing	585
Commerce and trade	1,741
Transport and communications	273
Public administration	487
Professional services	914
Other	662
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,808</b>

### LABOUR FORCE



## PERMANENT HOUSING STOCK

Dwelling Type	This Area	State
<b>Occupied or Usually Occupied</b>	4,414	1,705,394
<i>Of which</i>		
House or Bungalow	89.8%	84.7%
Flat, Apartment, Bedsit	5.7%	11.0%
Not Stated	4.6%	4.3%
<b>Vacant</b>	938	289,451
<i>Of which</i>		
Holiday Home	14.8%	20.5%
Other	85.2%	79.5%