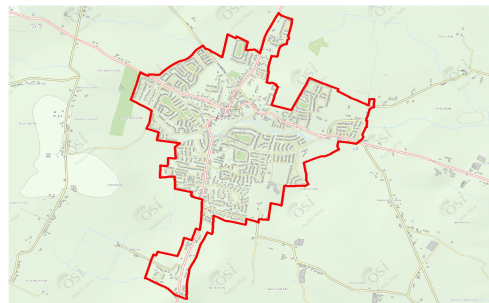


**AREA PROFILE FOR TOWN
RATOATH CO. MEATH**



AGE/SEX

In April 2011 Ratoath had a population of 9,043, consisting of 4,520 males and 4,523 females.

The population of pre-school age (0-4) was 1,158, of primary school going age (5-12) was 1,582 and of secondary school going age (13-18) was 724. There were 313 persons aged 65 years and over. The number of persons aged 18 years or over was 5,677.

MARITAL STATUS

Of the 6,026 persons aged 15 years and over, 2,012 were single, 3,595 were married, 165 were separated, 120 were divorced and 134 were widowed.

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

There were 2,751 private households in Ratoath in April 2011, of which 307 were single person households. Of the 2,385 families in the area, 466 were couples with no children. The average number of children per family was 1.6 compared with 1.4 nationally.

HOUSEHOLDS BY COMPOSITION

	Ratoath		State
	No. of households	% breakdown	% breakdown
One Person	307	11.2	23.7
Couple without children	434	15.8	18.9
Couple with children	1,576	57.3	34.9
Lone parent family	230	8.4	10.9
Other	204	7.4	11.6
Total	2,751	100.0	100.0

MIGRATION AND NATIONALITIES

94.4 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, 2.2 per cent lived elsewhere in the State while 0.7 per cent lived outside the State twelve months before the census on April 10, 2011.

Non-Irish nationals accounted for 9.7 per cent of the population of Ratoath compared with a national average figure of 12.0 per cent. UK nationals (168 persons) were the largest group, followed by Lithuanians (120 persons).

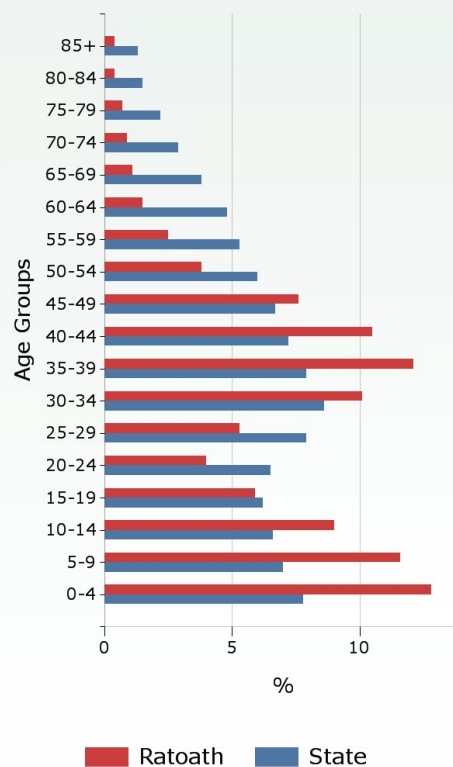
LANGUAGES

3,676 persons could speak the Irish language and of these 1,702 spoke the language daily. 1,025 persons spoke a language other than Irish or English at home and of these 137 could not speak English well or at all. French was the most common foreign language spoken at home with 131 speakers.

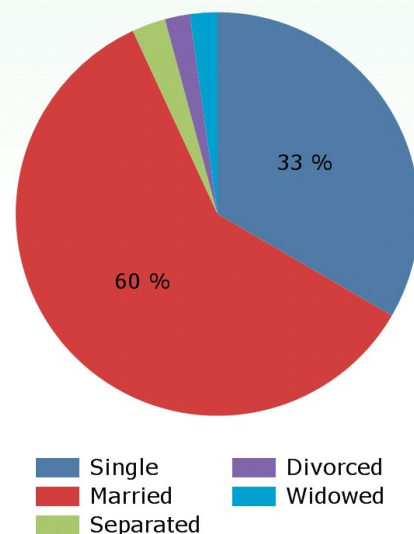
RELIGION

There were 7,843 Roman Catholics in the area at census time. A further 649 were adherents of other stated religions (e.g. Church of Ireland, Islam, Presbyterian, Orthodox), while 420 persons indicated that they had no religion.

AGE COMPARISON



MARITAL STATUS (AGE 15+)



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THIS AREA: RATOATH

LABOUR FORCE

There were 4,402 persons aged 15 years and over in the labour force and of these, 89.1 per cent (3,923 persons) were at work. The unemployment rate for this area was 10.9 per cent compared with a national average rate of 19.0 per cent.

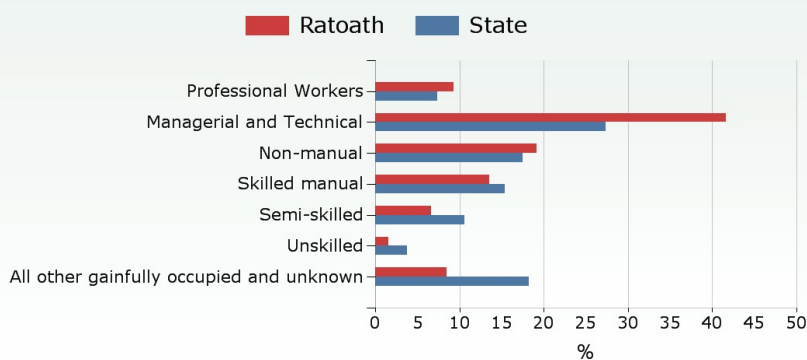
Of the 1,624 persons aged 15 years and over who were outside the labour force, 40.1 per cent were students, 33.8 per cent were looking after the home/family and 18.7 per cent were retired.

Of the 3,923 workers enumerated in Ratoath, 2,994 worked outside the area. The daytime working population (resident and non-resident) of Ratoath was 864 with professional services being the largest industry.

EDUCATION

Of those aged 15 years and over whose full-time education had ceased, 5.9 per cent were educated to at most primary level only; a further 54.3 per cent attained second level while 39.7 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 76.9 per cent of all journeys. 214 persons commuted using public transport (bus or rail). The average journey time was 33 minutes and 41.1 per cent of workers faced a commuting time in excess of 30 minutes.

DISABILITY AND CARERS

655 persons had a disability in April 2011, of whom 94, representing 14.4 per cent of the total, were aged 65 years and over.

293 persons (110 males and 183 females) provided regular unpaid personal help for a friend or family member with a long-term illness, health problem or disability. 18.1 per cent of these provided care for more than 6 hours per day.

HOUSING, INTERNET AND CARS

87.4 per cent of households lived in houses or bungalows while a further 12.6 per cent lived in apartments, flats or bedsits. 2,251 dwellings (81.8 per cent) were owner occupied while 478 dwellings (17.4 per cent) were rented. 61.1 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 3.3 compared with 2.7 nationally.

85.5 per cent of households had broadband connectivity compared with 63.8 per cent nationally. 66.6 per cent of households had two or more cars.

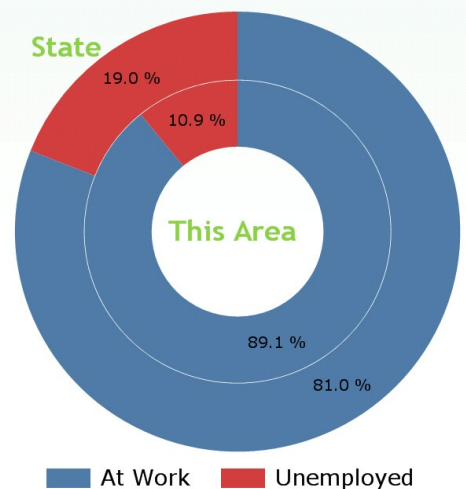
GENERAL HEALTH

In this area 8,488 persons stated they were in very good or good health, representing 93.9 per cent of total persons. This compares to 88.3 per cent of total persons nationally. 57 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	7
Building and construction	29
Manufacturing	25
Commerce and trade	239
Transport and communications	40
Public administration	6
Professional services	375
Other	143
Total	864

LABOUR FORCE



PERMANENT HOUSING STOCK

Dwelling Type	This Area	State
Occupied or Usually Occupied	2,824	1,705,394
<i>Of which</i>		
House or Bungalow	84.4%	84.7%
Flat, Apartment, Bedsit	12.1%	11.0%
Not Stated	3.5%	4.3%
Vacant	138	289,451
<i>Of which</i>		
Holiday Home	0.0%	20.5%
Other	100.0%	79.5%