

AREA PROFILE FOR TOWN

ROCHFORTBRIDGE CO. WESTMEATH

AGE/SEX

In April 2011 this area had a population of 1,494, consisting of 743 males and 751 females.

The population of pre-school age (0-4) was 113, of primary school going age (5-12) was 222 and of secondary school going age (13-18) was 155. There were 141 persons aged 65 years and over. The number of persons aged 18 years or over was 1,028.

MARITAL STATUS

Of the 1,106 persons aged 15 years and over, 445 were single, 546 were married, 45 were separated, 18 were divorced and 52 were widowed.

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

There were 495 private households in this area in April 2011, of which 79 were single person households. Of the 415 families in the area, 107 were couples with no children. The average number of children per family was 1.6 compared with 1.4 nationally.

HOUSEHOLDS BY COMPOSITION

	This Area		State
	No. of households	% breakdown	% breakdown
One Person	79	16.0	23.7
Couple without children	101	20.4	18.9
Couple with children	210	42.4	34.9
Lone parent family	70	14.1	10.9
Other	35	7.1	11.6
Total	495	100.0	100.0

MIGRATION AND NATIONALITIES

96.2 per cent of the usually resident population aged over 1 lived at the same address one year before the census. A further 1.9 per cent lived elsewhere in the same county, 1.0 per cent lived elsewhere in the State while 1.0 per cent lived outside the State twelve months before the census on April 10, 2011.

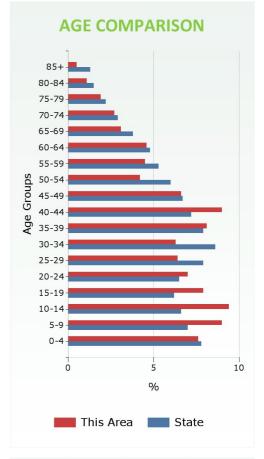
Non-Irish nationals accounted for 6.4 per cent of the population of this area compared with a national average figure of 12.0 per cent. UK nationals (26 persons) were the largest group, followed by Nigerians (15 persons).

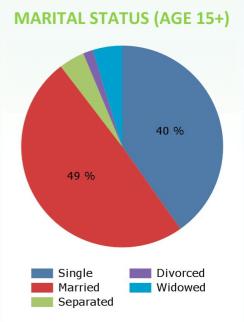
LANGUAGES

536 persons could speak the Irish language and of these 229 spoke the language daily. 98 persons spoke a language other than Irish or English at home and of these 11 could not speak English well or at all. Yoruba was the most common foreign language spoken at home with 16 speakers.

RELIGION

There were 1,356 Roman Catholics in the area at census time. A further 92 were adherents of other stated religions (e.g. Church of Ireland, Islam, Presbyterian, Orthodox), while 38 persons indicated that they had no religion.





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THIS AREA: ROCHFORTBRIDGE

LABOUR FORCE

There were 657 persons aged 15 years and over in the labour force and of these, 72.9 per cent (479 persons) were at work. The unemployment rate for this area was 27.1 per cent compared with a national average rate of 19.0 per cent.

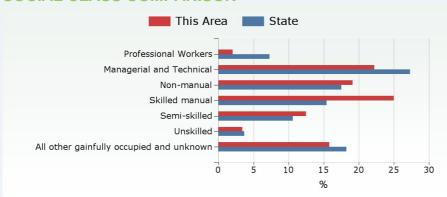
Of the 449 persons aged 15 years and over who were outside the labour force, 29.6 per cent were students, 29.2 per cent were looking after the home/family and 27.6 per cent were retired.

Of the 479 workers enumerated in this area, 346 worked outside the area. The daytime working population (resident and non-resident) of this area was 189 with professional services being the largest industry.

EDUCATION

Of those aged 15 years and over whose full-time education had ceased, 17.9 per cent were educated to at most primary level only; a further 68.9 per cent attained second level while 13.2 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 70.0 per cent of all journeys. 18 persons commuted using public transport (bus or rail). The average journey time was 35 minutes and 40.5 per cent of workers faced a commuting time in excess of 30 minutes.

DISABILITY AND CARERS

197 persons had a disablity in April 2011, of whom 55, representing 27.9 per cent of the total, were aged 65 years and over.

53 persons (16 males and 37 females) provided regular unpaid personal help for a friend or family member with a long-term illness, health problem or disability. 15.1 per cent of these provided care for more than 6 hours per day.

HOUSING, INTERNET AND CARS

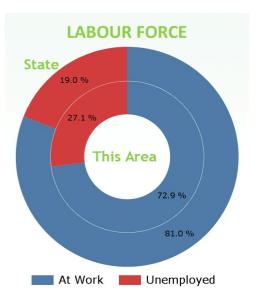
98.6 per cent of households lived in houses or bungalows while a further 1.4 per cent lived in apartments, flats or bedsits. 387 dwellings (78.2 per cent) were owner occupied while 102 dwellings (20.6 per cent) were rented. 26.5 per cent of the dwellings in this area were built in the ten years before the census. The average number of persons per household was 3.1 compared with 2.7 nationally.

62.2 per cent of households had broadband connectivity compared with 63.8 per cent nationally. 43.2 per cent of households had two or more cars.

GENERAL HEALTH

In this area 1,333 persons stated they were in very good or good health, representing 89.2 per cent of total persons. This compares to 88.3 per cent of total persons nationally. 22 persons stated they were in bad or very bad health, representing 1.5 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	6			
Building and construction	11			
Manufacturing	18			
Commerce and trade	23			
Transport and communications	12			
Public administration	6			
Professional services	100			
Other	13			
Total	189			



PERMANENT HOUSING STOCK				
Dwelling Type	This Area	State		
Occupied or Usually Occupied	504	1,705,394		
Of which				
House or Bungalow	96.0%	84.7%		
Flat, Apartment, Bedsit	1.4%	11.0%		
Not Stated	2.6%	4.3%		
Vacant	43	289,451		
Of which				
Holiday Home	4.7%	20.5%		
Other	95.4%	79.5%		