


ITEMS AND INDICATORS		DATA			Notes	DEF.	
		2005	2006	2007			
		 IRELAND A DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC INDICATORS		A1			Population
A2	Area (square Km)			70.270	70.270	70.270,00	see def.
A3	Average population density per square Km			58.78	60,34	61,75	see def.
A4	Birth rate per 1000 population			14,78	15,15	-	see def.
A5	Death rate per 1000 population			6,84	6,48	-	see def.
A6	Life expectancy at birth (years)			79,21	79,85	-	
A6a	Men			76,84	77,46	-	see def.
A6b	Women			81,53	82,22	-	
A7	Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) PPP\$ per capita			38.505,00	40.823,00	-	see def.

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B	HEALTHCARE SYSTEM	B1	Healthcare coverage of population			35% belong to category I of the national health system (free-of-charge access to healthcare services). 65% belong to category II (they contribute financially to the payment of healthcare services or they have a voluntary private health insurance).	see def.
		B2	Gate-keeping system			The patients of the first category are registered with a doctor they can choose from a list. The patients of category II pay 100% of their ambulant treatments, but they are free to choose their general practitioner or specialist.	see def.
		B3	Total health expenditure, PPP\$ per capita	2.831,00	3.001,00	3.424,00	see def.
		B4	Public sector health expenditure as % of total health expenditure	77,50%	77,50%	80,70%	see def.
		B5	Total health expenditure as % of Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	7,30%	7,10%	7,60%	see def.
		B5a	Public sector health expenditure as % of GDP	6,50%	-		see def.
		B5b	Private sector health expenditure as % of GDP	1,70%	-	-	see def.
		B6	Expenditure on inpatient care per capita (PPP\$)	-	-	-	see def.
		B7	Public inpatient expenditure as % of total inpatient expenditure	-	-	-	see def.
		B8	Total inpatient expenditure as % of total health expenditure	-	-	-	see def.
B9	Public funding	The funding is mainly ensured by taxes.			see def.		

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C	HOSPITAL GOVERNANCE	C1	Administration and management	The HSE (Health Services Executive) manages the public hospitals.		see def.
		C2	Surveillance authority	Since 2005, the HSE (Health Services Executive) centralises hospital services and manages the budget.		see def.

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D	HOSPITAL FINANCING	D1	Hospital financers	<p>The HSE (Health Services Executive) funds the hospitals. In addition to that, there is a co-funding through patients contributions and private insurances. In case of private beds, the patients and private insurances pay for the services.</p>			see def.
		D2	Modes of payment	<p>Hospital funding is subject to a global annual budget. At present, an experience with pathology-based tarification is under study in 32 hospitals. The rhythm of the progression of pathology-based tarification is 5% per year.</p>			see def.
		D3	Use of DRGs				see def.
		D4	Hospital investments	<p>Hospital investments are funded by the Ministry of Health via the HSE (Health Services Executive).</p>			see def.

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E	TOTAL HOSPITAL CARE PROVISION	E1	Public / Private ownership	Coexistence of public and private hospitals. Private hospitals can be not-for-profit or for-profit hospitals. Public hospitals have also private beds.			see def.
		E1a	% of hospitals private for profit				see def.
		E1b	% of hospitals private not for profit				see def.
		E2	Categories	There are two categories of public acute care hospitals: - general hospitals, - specialised clinics.			see def.
		E3	Total number of hospitals	179	178	176	see def.
		E4	All hospitals per 100.000 population	4,33	4,20	4,06	see def.
		E5	Total number of hospital beds	22.995	22.637	-	see def.
		E5a	Public inpatient hospital beds (number and % of all beds)	-	-	-	see def.
		E5b	Private inpatient hospital beds (number and % of all beds)	-	-	-	see def.
		E6	All hospital beds per 100.000 population	556,68	533,91	-	see def.
		E7	Number of inpatient care admissions/discharges	588.010	601.043	-	see def.
		E8	Inpatient care admissions/discharges per 100 population	14,24%	14,18%	-	see def.
		E9	Average length of stay for all hospitals (bed-days)	7,58	7,13	-	see def.

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F	F1	Number of acute care hospitals	53	52	50	see def.
	F1a	Acute care hospitals as % of all hospitals	29,61%	29,21%	28,41%	see def.
	F2	Acute care hospitals per 100.000 population	1,28	1,23	1,15	see def.
	F3	Number of acute care hospital beds	11.499	11.627	-	see def.
	F3a	Acute care hospital beds as % of all hospitals beds	50,01%	51,36%	-	see def.
	F4	Acute care hospital beds per 100.000 population	278,38	274,23	-	see def.
	F5	Number of acute care hospital admissions/discharges	573.834	592.253	-	see def.
	F6	Acute care admissions/discharges per 100 population	13,89%	13,97%	-	see def.
	F7	Average length of stay for acute care hospitals (bed-days)	6,58	6,40	-	see def.
	F8	Bed occupancy rate for acute care hospitals	85,60%	86,50%	-	see def.

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G	HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE					
	G1 Number of General Practitioners (GPs)	2.806	2.942	3.110		see def.
	G1a General Practitioners per 100.000 population	67,93	69,39	71,68		see def.
	G1b Population per one GP	1.472,10	1.441,14	1.395,18		see def.
	G2 Number of physicians	11.670	12.184	13.141		see def.
	G2a Number of physicians per 100.000 population	282,52	287,37	302,86		see def.
	G3 % of physicians working in hospitals	-	-	-		see def.
	G4 Number of nurses	62.639	65.415	67.245		see def.
	G4a Nurses per 100.000 population	1.516,42	1.542,87	1.549,78		see def.
	G5 % of nurses working in hospitals	-	-	-		see def.
G6 Number of nurses per doctor	5,37	5,37	5,12		see def.	