



Ireland's innovative approach to monitoring the SDG indictors through geospatial visualisation

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### **UNSD/Esri Research Exercise**

The Irish Central Statistics Office (CSO), in collaboration with Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSi) and Esri Ireland, are currently participating in the UNSD/Esri Research Exercise. This is an exemplar of both interagency and public-private sector partnerships

This exercise commenced in May 2017 with a goal to develop and deploy a new approach for monitoring the UN SDGs using geographic information systems – "geospatial potential of statistical data."









#### Role of the CSO

The CSO has a central role in the:

- identification
- management, and
- presentation

of the data needed to meet the requirements of the SDG Indicators.

In this responsibility, the CSO will deploy, as far as possible, UNECE the Generic Statistical Business Process Model (GSBPM), which has 8 phases and 34 subphases.



#### **Generic Statistical Business Process Model**

Quality Management / Metadata Management											
1. Specify Needs	Preparation and development of statistical methodologies	3. Build necessary instruments for enforcement	4. Data collection	5. Data processing	6. Analyse	7. Dissemination	8. Evaluate				
1.1 Determine needs for information and necessary results	2.1 Definition and development of the methodology for collecting data and conducting survey	3.1 Build data collection instrument	4.1 Selection of final population/sample	5.1 Integration of data collection	6.1 Statistical analysis of results	7.1 Design and production of dissemination products	8.1 Gather evaluation inputs				
1.2 Consult & confirm needs	2.2 Defining a framework and methodology for the sample selection	3.2 Build instruments for data collection	4.2 Preparation of data collection	5.2 Control, editing and data correction	6.2 Quality control results	7.2 Management of published disseminated products	8.2 Conduct evaluation				
1.3 Establish output objective, analysis and testing possiblities	2.3 Development of methodology for data processing	3.3 Configure workflows	4.3 Primary data collection	5.3 Imputation and weightening	6.3 Detailed analysis and interpretation of data publishing	7.3 Promote dissemination products	8.3 Agree action plan				
		3.4 Testing instruments for data collection and data processing	4.4 Overtaking data from administrative and other secondary sources	5.4 Production of derived variables	6.4 Protection of confidential data	7.4 Manage user support					
		3.5 Test statistical business process	4.5 Entering of data collection	5.5 Calculating the aggregate							
				5.6 Calculation of final data files							
				5.7 Production and updating registers and database							



# Tasks completed by Project Team

Sourced information for 180 **indicators** (mostly Tier 1), of which 60 have a geospatial aspect, and created **100+ datasets** at NUTS 3, county and census local area geography.

Developed Ireland's **SDG platform**, build with Esri technology and hosted on OSi's web portal, known as GeoHive, where interested parties can openly access, visualise and download data and related APIs.

http://ireland-s-hub-for-sustainable-development-goals-irelandsdg.hub.arcgis.com/



Ireland's SDG portal was officially launched at the European Forum for Geography and Statistics (EFGS) Conference on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 and redesigned in July 2019.

Site was well received across:

- Government,
- Public Sector, and
- Civil Society.

The information contained on this portal will inform Ireland's progress against each Goal.

The Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment (DCCAE) has responsibility for officially reporting on Ireland's progress towards meeting national SDG targets.



# Redesign of SDG platform

- SDG portal was redesigned to improve user experiences by deploying the features of Insights of ArcGIS, which is a webbased, data analytics workbench where our users will be able to explore spatial and non-spatial data.
- The DCCAE have agreed that the redesigned platform will become the central hub for national information on the SDGs Goals and the monitoring of the 230+ indicators
- http://ireland-s-hub-for-sustainable-development-goalsirelandsdg.hub.arcgis.com/





Welcome to Ireland's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) data hub.

This is a collaboration platform for reporting on progress towards the goals and sharing information on related initiatives.

Ireland's progress against each goal is measured using a set of United Nations (UN) global and European Union (EU) agreed targets and indicators.





Story maps are in development around Goals 1-2 and 6-8.

#### Each story map will:

- open with policy commentary provided by the relevant Department, Agency or Office, and
- contain supporting information and relevant interactive maps.



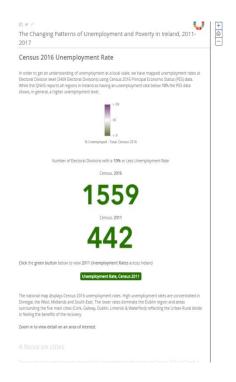
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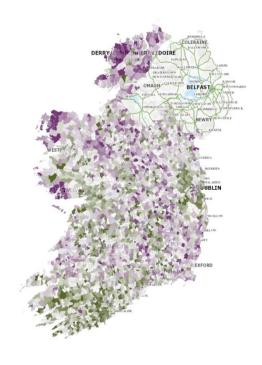
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This Story Map illustrates changes in Ireland in relation to unemployment and poverty throughout the last decade. The Story Map has been developed to support efforts in reporting Ireland's status in relation to achieving United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goals.

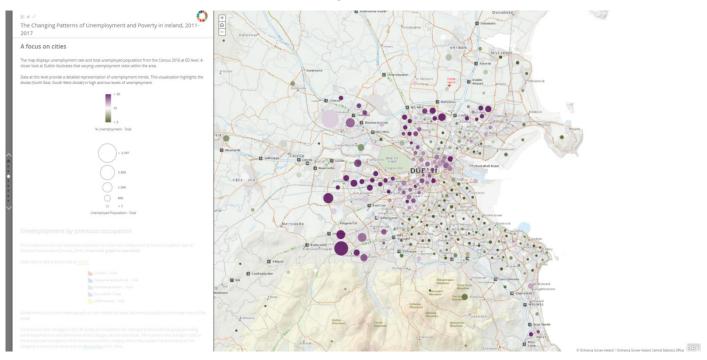














## **Front Page**

#### GeoHive

Explore the Sustainable Development Goals

Click on a card below to access progress reports and indicator data relating to a particular Goal.





# **Self Registrations of SDG Organisations**

#### Self Registered SDG Organisations

SDG organisations across Ireland

Find SDG self registered organisations in your local area or an area of interest. Get involved in SDG organisations near you. Click an a map feature to access details.

Register your SDG organisation by completing a short survey.

#### Go to Survey



#### Open means Open

This site is a joint initiative between CSO and OSi and the data it presents are Open, Public and Free to Use.

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#### Project Documentation

National Reporting and Dissemination Platforms

Principles and Guidelines of SDG Monitoring and Reporting Platforms

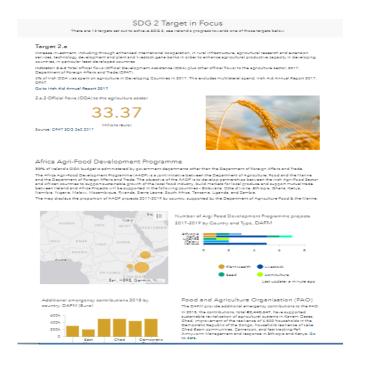


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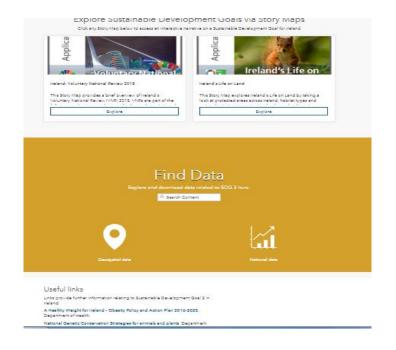


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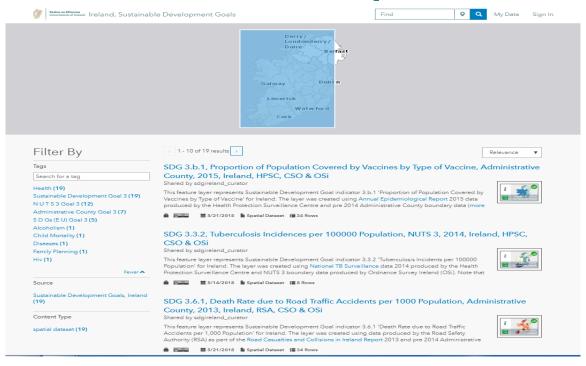




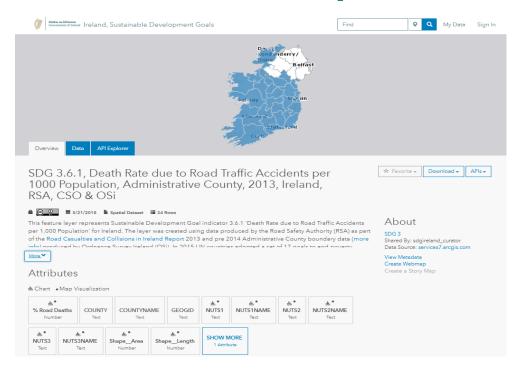
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#### Useful links Links provide further information relating to Sustainable Development Goal 2 in A Healthy Weight for Ireland - Obesity Policy and Action Plan 2016-2025, Department of Health. National Genetic Conservation Strategies for animals and plants, Department of Agriculture Food & the Marine National Stodiversity Action Plan 2017-2021, Degartment of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht One World, One Ruture, Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade Food Wise 2025, Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine Rural Development Programme 2014-2020, Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine National Rural Natuork List of upcoming events Q. Search events March: 20171 Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 24 25 26 27 28 29 30















#### Governance

Established a OSi/CSO/Esri Ireland data governance team which holds weekly meetings.

In addition, the CSO established a national UN SDG Indicators Data Governance Board (UNSDGDGB) consisting of various stakeholders from Government Departments and Agencies, which meets on a quarterly basis.

#### The UNSDGDGB has responsibility for:

- metadata,
- business glossaries,
- lifecycle management, and
- data quality.



### Governance, ctd.

There is also a UN SDG Civil Service Senior Officials Group, chaired by the DCCAE, which both the CSO and OSi are invited members.

- This group is charged with developing the official reports on Ireland progress toward the SDG Goals.
- Subsets of this group have official responsibility for the policy aspects of individual Goals.
- All the story maps on the Ireland's SDG portal are presented to this group for feedback prior to release, most especially if there is a policy aspect to a narrative.







Embracing the experiences gained from working on the UNSD/Esri research project, the CSO's SDG team has also developed an electronic SDG publication with a national focus.

This publication is an update of a previous publication, "Regional quality of life in Ireland 2013" and is an exemplar of Irish SDG publications which will be complementary our SDG reporting platform.

This publication has been very well received across all sections Government and social society. Its design will inform future Irish VNRs.

It can be found here:

https://www.cso.ie/en/releasesandpublications/ep/p-rsdgi/regionalsdgsireland2017/





#### Regional SDGs Ireland 2017



CSO statistical publication, 26 February 2019, 11am



#### Introduction



This report on regional life in Ireland in 2017 is the third in the series from the CSO. It has been re-ordered in line with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), a set of global development targets adopted by United Nations (UN) member countries in September 2015. The CSO, Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSi) and Esri-Ireland (Environment Systems Research Institute) established a project team in April 2017 to engage with a combined UN Statistics Division (UNSD) Esri research exercise with a goal to develop and deploy a new approach for monitoring the UN SDGs using geographic information systems. The result of this exercise is a new website, hosted on OSi's Geohive platform, which contains indicators for Ireland on the UN SDGs. It is intended that all the indicators in this Regional report will be loaded onto the Geohive.



#### HIGHLIGHTS IN MAPS

#### Poverty, employment, education

One in four people (25.7%) living in the Border region was at risk of poverty in 2017. The at risk of poverty rates in Dublin (11.7%) and the Mid-West (12.9%) were less than half the rate of the Border region.

The highest employment rate in 2017 was in the South-West at 70.1% followed Dublin at 69.1% while the lowest was in the Midland region at 59.4%.

One in three people nationally whose full-time education has ceased had a third level qualification. This proportion was highest in Dublin at 40.7% and lowest in the Midland region at 26.4%.











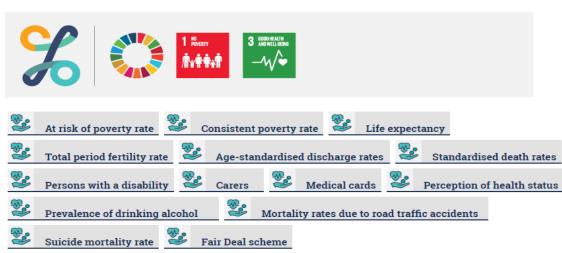
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#### **Regional SDGs Ireland 2017**

#### Poverty & health





#### 2.1 At risk of poverty rate by region 2013-2017

Table 2.1 At risk of poverty rate by region, 2013 - 2017

				% persons		
Region	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Border	28.6	23.8	21.8	20.5	25.7	
Midland	19.1	17.0	15.6	18.9	14.2	
West	18.8	21.9	19.5	22.7	18.4	
Dublin	9.5	10.5	12.2	11.6	11.7	
Mid-East	16.1	16.7	16.5	16.0	14.5	
Mid-West	16.0	20.9	14.8	14.1	12.9	
South-East	19.7	17.0	19.0	18.1	18.3	
South-West	17.3	18.3	18.8	18.0	18.7	
Total	16.2	16.7	16.3	16.2	15.7	

Source: CSO SILC

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- Nationally 15.7% of people in Ireland were at risk of poverty in 2017.
- One in four people (25.7%) living in the Border region was at risk of poverty in 2017.
- The at risk of poverty rates in Dublin (11.7%) and the Mid-West (12.9%) were less than half the rate of the Border region.







**SDG Indicator data** on CSO's dissemination database Statbank

#### **Statbank**

StatBank is the CSO's online database of Official Statistics.
 This database contains current and historical data series compiled from CSO statistical releases and is accessed at

• <a href="http://www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/statire/SelectTable/Omrade0.asp?Planguage=0">http://www.cso.ie/px/pxeirestat/statire/SelectTable/Omrade0.asp?Planguage=0</a>.



#### **Statbank**

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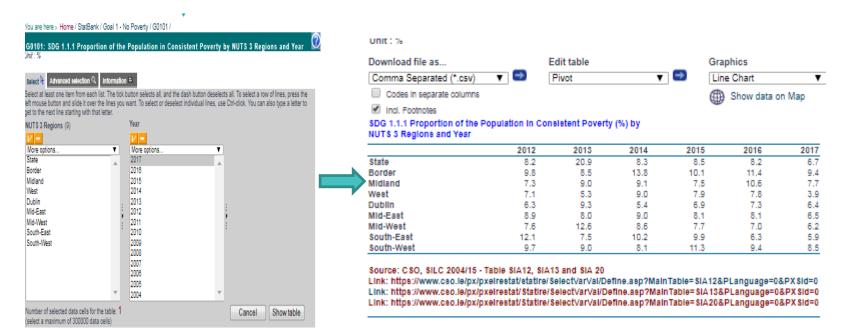
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#### **Statbank**





#### **Visualisation from Statbank**

- APP under development which joins a
- Statbank PX file, with
- an Esri shape file, to
- produce a colorplot



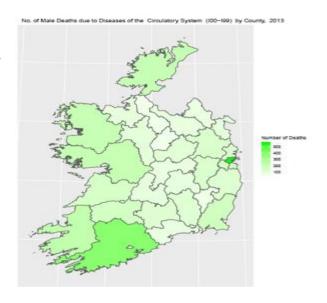


Figure 1: Geospatial presentation of mortality data.





