

# Observatório da Emigração

## Ireland

### Annual Series

#### A.1 Foreign-born population, 1996-2017

Years	Total Population		Foreign-born						
			All foreign-born			Born in Portugal			
	N	Change in	N	As a % of total population	Change in	N	As a % of total population	As a % of all foreign-born	Change in
2017	4,761,657	-0.0	806,549	16.9	-0.5	2,673	0.1	0.3	-30.9
2016	4,761,865	1.3	810,406	17.0	8.1	3,866	0.1	0.5	55.5
2015	4,700,107	2.4	749,943	16.0	-2.2	2,486	0.1	0.3	10.7
2011	4,588,252	-0.8	766,770	16.7	5.0	2,246	0.0	0.3	-7.7
2010	4,626,928	9.1	730,542	15.8	19.2	2,434	0.1	0.3	60.1
2006	4,239,848	0.6	612,629	14.4	4.0	1,520	0.0	0.2	-18.3
2005	4,212,977	7.6	589,046	14.0	47.3	1,860	0.0	0.3	215.3
2002	3,917,203	1.8	400,016	10.2	14.1	590	0.0	0.2	-39.7
2000	3,848,776	6.2	350,552	9.1	39.3	979	0.0	0.3	409.9
1996	3,626,087	..	251,624	6.9	..	192	0.0	0.1	..

Nota:

The total number of foreigners resident allocated to the year of 1996 corresponds in fact to the value estimated by Eurostat for the year of 1997 since the of 1996 Irish census did not consider the nationality variable.

Fonte:

Central Statistics Office Ireland, censos de 1996, 2002, 2006 e de 2011 (accessed in 29/06/2012); Eurostat (total of foreigners, 1996); United Nations Statistics Division (estimates).

#### A.2 Foreign population, 1996-2017

Years	Total Population		All foreign-born						
			All foreign-born			Foreigners with Portuguese citizenship			
	N	Change in	N	As a % of total population	Change in	N	As a % of total population	As a % of all foreigners	Change in
2017	4,761,657	-0.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2016	4,761,865	1.3	607,408	12.8	..	4,807	0.1	0.6	..
2015	4,700,107	2.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2011	4,588,252	-0.8	544,357	11.9	..	2,739	0.1	0.4	..
2010	4,626,928	9.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2006	4,239,848	0.6	419,733	9.9	..	1,798	0.0	0.3	..
2005	4,212,977	7.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2002	3,917,203	1.8	224,261	5.7	..	687	0.0	0.2	..
2000	3,848,776	6.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1996	3,626,087	..	114,400	3.2	..	..	..	..	..

Nota:

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Fonte:

Central Statistics Office Ireland, censos de 1996, 2002, 2006 e de 2011 (accessed in 29/06/2012); Eurostat (total of foreigners, 1996); United Nations Statistics Division (estimates).

### A.3 Consular registrations, 2008-2018

Years	All registrations		Registrations by migrants born in Portugal			Registrations by migrants with Portuguese citizenship		
	N	Change in	N	As a % of total population	Change in	N	As a % of total population	Change in
2018	6,609	9.3	..	..	..	..	..	..
2017	6,047	8.0	..	..	..	..	..	..
2016	5,602	14.8	..	..	..	..	..	..
2015	4,879	35.1	..	..	..	..	..	..
2013	3,612	9.0	..	..	..	..	..	..
2012	3,314	11.1	2,006	60.5	10.0	3,313	100.0	11.1
2011	2,983	13.5	1,824	61.2	13.4	2,982	100.0	29.2
2010	2,628	13.8	1,609	61.2	12.4	2,309	87.9	-12.1
2009	2,310	17.3	1,431	62.0	17.8	2,627	113.7	33.4
2008	1,970	..	1,215	61.7	..	1,969	100.0	..

Fonte:

Portuguese consulates and Consular Management System (DGACCP), data granted upon request.

### A.4 Foreign inflows, 2004-2015

Years	Total inflows			Portuguese inflows	
	N	Change in	N	As a % of total population	Change in
2015	76,888	14.1	426	0.6	38.3
2014	67,401	13.7	308	0.5	2.0
2013	59,294	9.1	302	0.5	23.3
2012	54,349	2.1	245	0.5	1.2
2011	53,224	1.7	242	0.5	-1.2
2010	52,339	3.4	245	0.5	3.8
2009	50,604	-38.7	236	0.5	-31.2
2008	82,592	-32.5	343	0.4	0.3
2007	122,415	-12.2	342	0.3	-28.0
2006	139,434	36.7	475	0.4	..
2005	102,000	30.6	..	..	..
2004	78,075	..	..	..	..

Nota:

As of 02/06/2015 the series of movements of the Portuguese population was changed, using the Eurostat data. The Central Statistics Office Ireland accounted for 17,400 foreign entries in 2010 and 25,300 in 2011.

Data on the Portuguese were withdrawn from the source (Eurostat) in 2018.

Fonte:

[Eurostat, Immigration by five year age group, sex and citizenship](#) (accessed in 23/06/2017).

## A.5 Acquisition of citizenship of the destination country, 2000-2017

Years	Acquisition of citizenship by all foreigners		Acquisition of citizenship by Portuguese		
	N	Change in	N	As a % of total population	Change in
2017	8,195	-18.4	14	0.2	27.3
2016	10,038	-26.0	11	0.1	0.0
2015	13,565	-35.7	11	0.1	175.0
2014	21,104	-13.0	4	0.0	-69.2
2013	24,263	-3.1	13	0.1	44.4
2012	25,039	133.0	9	0.0	800.0
2011	10,749	68.3	1	0.0	-50.0
2010	6,387	39.0	2	0.0	0.0
2009	4,594	5.6	2	0.0	100.0
2008	4,350	-34.6	1	0.0	-66.7
2007	6,656	15.5	3	0.0	0.0
2006	5,763	41.3	3	0.1	200.0
2005	4,079	7.8	1	0.0	..
2004	3,784	-5.2	..	..	..
2003	3,993	41.8	..	..	..
2002	2,817	15.3	..	..	..
2001	2,443	113.7	..	..	..
2000	1,143	..	..	..	..

Fonte:

OECD, Data by Theme, Demography and Population – Migration Statistics, International Migration Database (até 2012); Eurostat, Acquisition of citizenship by sex, age group and former citizenship (from 2013 onwards).

## A.6 Remittances, 2000-2018

Years	Inward flows (thousand euros) (a)		Outward flows (thousand euros) (b)		Balance (a/b)
		Change in		Change in	
2018	5,330	-5.7	250	-24.2	21
2017	5,650	-8.0	330	32.0	17
2016	6,140	27.4	250	-26.5	25
2015	4,820	-28.3	340	41.7	14
2014	6,720	-23.2	240	-11.1	28
2013	8,750	27.7	270	17.4	32
2012	6,850	5.1	230	-17.9	30
2011	6,520	14.4	280	16.7	23
2010	5,700	-0.4	240	20.0	24
2009	5,720	-8.6	200	5.3	29
2008	6,260	11.0	190	0.0	33
2007	5,640	90.6	190	-40.6	30
2006	2,960	73.1	320	-5.9	9
2005	1,710	-26.0	340	100.0	5
2004	2,310	53.0	170	6.2	14
2003	1,510	-29.4	160	6.7	9
2002	2,140	9.2	150	36.4	14
2001	1,960	-31.2	110	-35.3	18
2000	2,850	..	170	..	17

Fonte:

Banco de Portugal, BP stat, Exploração multidimensional, Quadros predefinidos, Estatísticas de balança de pagamentos, Remessas de emigrantes/imigrantes.

## Census

### B.1 Resident population by census and nationality, according to country of birth, 2011-2012

by nationality	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2011/2012						
Total Population	4,466,607	100	756,272	100	2,215	100
by nationality	3,927,143	87.9	241,165	31.9	82	3.7
Foreign	539,464	12.1	515,107	68.1	2,133	96.3

Nota:

! Other situations or missing values: 108,281

Fonte:

União Europeia, Eurostat, 2011 census hub

### B.2 Resident population by census and sex, according to country of birth, 2001-2012

by sex	Total Population		Foreign-born	
	N	%	N	%
2011				
Total Population	4,574,888	100	766,640	100
Male	2,270,506	49.6	380,692	49.7
Female	2,304,382	50.4	385,948	50.4
2001				
Total Population	3,858,495	100	400,016	100
Male	1,916,223	49.7	198,909	49.7
Female	1,942,272	50.3	201,107	50.3

Fonte:

European Union, Eurostat, 2011 census hub

### B.3 Resident population by census and age group, according to country of birth, 2001-2012

by age group	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2011/2012						
Total Population	4,574,888	100	766,640	100	2,246	100
-15 years	976,716	21.4	93,818	12.2	307	13.7
15-39 years	1,698,944	37.1	404,780	52.8	1,435	63.9
40-64 years	1,367,665	29.9	231,726	30.2	472	21.0
65+ years	531,563	11.6	36,316	4.7	32	1.4
2001/2002						
Total Population	3,858,495	100	400,016	100	590	100
-15 years	823,879	21.4	67,012	16.8	61	10.3
15-39 years	1,518,843	39.4	207,232	51.8	426	72.2
40-64 years	1,085,867	28.2	102,570	25.6	93	15.8
65+ years	429,906	11.2	23,202	5.8	10	1.7

Fonte:

European Union, Eurostat, 2011 census hub

## B.5 Resident population by census and labour force status, according to country of birth, 2011-2012

by labour force status	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2011/2012						
Total Population	4,525,281	100	766,640	100	2,246	100
Employed	1,778,400	39.3	375,549	49.0	1,276	56.8
Unemployed	421,268	9.3	103,999	13.6	346	15.4
Inactive	2,325,613	51.4	287,092	37.4	624	27.8

Nota:

! Other situations or missing values: 49,607

Fonte:

União Europeia, Eurostat, 2011 census hub

## Data

United Nations, DESA, Population Division: international migrant stock (the 2015 revision)

OECD: database on immigrants in OECD and non-OECD countries (DIOC)

OECD: international migration database

European Union, Eurostat: database, population and social conditions, demography and migration (pop)

## Highlights

Emigration to Ireland increased by 38% in 2015

## Publications

Portuguese Emigration. Statistical Report 2018[Emigração Portuguesa. Relatório Estatístico 2018]

Portugal: An in-depth analysis of the emigration of skilled labour

Portuguese Emigration. Statistical Report 2017[Emigração Portuguesa. Relatório Estatístico 2017]

Portuguese Emigration. Statistical Report 2016[Emigração Portuguesa. Relatório Estatístico 2016]

Portuguese Emigration Factbook 2015

Portuguese Emigration. Statistical Report 2015[Emigração Portuguesa. Relatório Estatístico 2015]

## Resources

Irish Life – A vida na Irlanda