

Mapping BME and Migrant Workers in Northern Ireland.

Section 1: Background

The most recent NI Census carried out in 2001 showed a total population in Northern Ireland of 1,685,267 people. On census day the most populated Local Government Districts (LGD's) in Northern Ireland included Belfast City Council area with a population of 277,391, Lisburn City Council area with a population of 108,694 and Derry City Council area with a population of 105,066.

Demographics

Mid Year population estimates show that the population in Northern Ireland has increased slightly over the period from 2001 to 2005.

Table 1: Mid-Year Population Estimates

	Northern Ireland
2001	1,689,319
% Change	0.4
2002	1,696,641
% Change	0.4
2003	1,702,628
% Change	0.5
2004	1,710,322
% Change	0.8
2005	1,724,408

Source: Demography and Methodology Branch, NISRA

Appendix 1 shows a breakdown of mid year population estimates at LGD and Northern Ireland level over the period from 2001 to 2005.

Mid year population estimates at LGD level and Northern Ireland level for 2005 are shown in Appendix 2. The estimated population of Northern Ireland at mid 2005 is 1,724,408. Net external

migration to Northern Ireland from mid 2004 to mid 2005 was 6,671¹.

The 2005 mid year population estimates include a breakdown of age profile by Local Government District and at Northern Ireland level. The profile for Northern Ireland is as follows:

Table 2: Resident Population Estimates Mid 2005: Selected Age Groups

	Northern Ireland
All Ages	1,724,408
Children (0-15) Number	381,234
Children (0-15) %	22.1
Working age (16-64M/59F) Number	1,063,613
Working age (16-64M/59F) %	61.7
Older People (65M/60F and over) Number	279,561
Older People (65M/60F and over) %	16.2

Source: Demography and Methodology Branch, NISRA

The community background section of the 2001 Census included a breakdown of respondent religion or religion that respondents had been brought up in at LGD level. The results for Northern Ireland are as follows:

Table 3: Community Background: Religion or religion brought up in

	Northern Ireland
All Persons	1,685,267
Catholic Number	737,412
Catholic %	43.8
Protestant & Other Christian Number	895,377
Protestant and Other Christian %	53.1
Other religions and philosophies Number	6,569
Other religions and philosophies %	0.4
None Number	45,909
None %	2.7

Source: NISRA Census 2001

¹ NISRA Demography and Methodology Branch definition of External migration relates to migration flows with Great Britain, the Republic of Ireland and the rest of the world.

A full breakdown of community background by local government district is given in Appendix 4.

The Claimant Count taken from the NI Labour Market Report, published in June 2006, shows that 27,424 or 2.6% of the working age population in Northern Ireland were claiming unemployment benefits.

Table 4: Claimant Count June 2006

	NI Total
Number of Male Claimants	20,686
Number of Female Claimants	6,738
Total Number of Claimants	27,424
% of Working Age Males	3.8
% of Working Age Females	1.3
% of Working Age Total	2.6
Job Density Indicator	0.79

Source: DETINI

A full breakdown of the claimant count by local government district is included in Appendix 5.

Northern Ireland Multiple Deprivation Measures produced by NISRA during 2005 rank Local Government Districts in terms of Deprivation. Most deprived areas in Northern Ireland include Strabane, Derry/Londonderry, Moyle, Belfast and Newry and Mourne. The rank, takes into account the extent and concentration of deprivation, income deprivation and employment deprivation².

² http://www.nisranew.nisra.gov.uk/whatsnew/dep/dep_2005.html

Section 2: Secondary information relating to the Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) and Migrant Worker population in Northern Ireland.

Northern Ireland Census 2001

A breakdown by Ethnic Origin in Northern Ireland is shown in Table 5:

Table 5: 2001 Census Breakdown by Ethnic Origin:

Ethnic Group	Northern Ireland Total	Ethnic Group	Northern Ireland Total
White	1,670,988	Other Asian	194
Irish Traveller	1,710	Black Caribbean	255
Mixed	3,319	Black African	494
Indian	1,567	Other Black	387
Pakistani	666	Chinese	4,145
Bangladeshi	252	Other Ethnic Group	1,290

Source: NI Census 2001

A full breakdown of Ethnic Origin by local government district is included in Appendix 7.

Table 6: Census 2001: Country of Birth

LGD	All persons	Persons Born Northern Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales and ROI	Persons born in other EU countries	Persons born elsewhere
Northern Ireland	1,685,267	1,654,708	10,355	20,204

Source: NI Census 2001

A full breakdown of country of birth information by local government district is included in Appendix 8.

Workers Registration Scheme (WRS) Registrations:

Table 7: NI WRS Registrations by local authority of employment (May 2004 – March 2006)

LGD	WRS Count	As a percentage of NI	Per 1,000 resident population
Northern Ireland	14,395	100%	8

Source: Home Office: Immigration and Nationality Directorate May 2006

A full breakdown of Workers Registration Scheme registrations by local government district is included in Appendix 9.

National Insurance Number (NINO) Applications

The Department for Social Development has provided data showing NINO applications by owning Social Security Office and Nationality of applicants. The number of NINO applicants has been recorded on a monthly basis from April 03 to October 05. A total breakdown of all NINO applications at all SSA offices including those recorded as blank against SSA office is included below:

Table 8: NINO Applicants in Northern Ireland by non UK or ROI nationals from 1st April 2003 to 31st October 2005.

	03/04	04/05	April 05-Oct 05	Total Applications
Total at all SSA Offices	4,430	11,893	4,845	21,168
Blank Cases against Offices	1,001	2,733	1,931	5,665
Total NINO applicants	5,431	14,626	6,776	26,833

Source: DSD Operations Directorate Support

National Insurance Number (NINO) Allocations

Table 9: Non-UK nationals allocated NINO's in Northern Ireland (April 04 – March 05)

LGD	NINO Registrations	As a percentage of NI	Per 1,000 resident population
Northern Ireland	5,568	100%	3

Source: DSD

There were a total of 14,626 NINO applications shown for 2004/05. NINO allocations for the same period are shown at 5,568. The difference between the number of applications and allocations can be explained by a number of reasons such as applications being refused or cancellations by applicants who may have returned home.

Work Permits Issued

Table 10: Number of Work Permits issued in Northern Ireland (April 04 – March 06)

LGD	WP Count	As a percentage of NI	Per 1,000 resident population
Northern Ireland	6,734	100%	4

Source: Home Office - Immigration and Nationality Directorate - May 2006

A full breakdown of work permits issued by local government district is available in Appendix 13.

PSNI Race Hate and Crime Figures

The PSNI provide a statistical breakdown of race hate and crime figures by District Command Unit (DCU). The most recent report made available in May 2006 show 813 incidents viewed as having racial motivation during 2004/05 and 936 incidents viewed as having racial motivation during the 2005/06 financial year in Northern Ireland³.

Allocation of Social Housing

Table 11: Breakdown by Ethnic Origin of Position 1 Applicants Housed in Social Housing by LGD between 1st April 2005 and 31st March 2006

	BME (Inc Mixed & Other Ethnic)	Irish Traveller	White	Undisclosed
Northern Ireland	100	40	7,728	439

Source: NIHE Equality Unit

A full breakdown of the Ethnic Origin of Position 1 Applicants on the waiting list for social housing in each local government district is shown in Appendix 15. A major limitation of the data in the use of a 'white' category which in the main reflects applicants from

³ http://www.psni.police.uk/index/statistics_branch.htm

Northern Ireland, Great Britain, Republic of Ireland, the EU and A8 countries etc.

Waiting List for Social Housing

Table 12: Breakdown by Ethnic Origin of Position 1 Applicants on the Waiting List for Social Housing at LGD Level on 31st March 2006

LGD	BME (Inc Mixed & Other Ethnic)	Irish Traveller	White	Undisclosed
Northern Ireland	391	130	28,823	2,557

Source: NIHE Equality Unit

A full breakdown of the Ethnic Origin of Position 1 applicants on the waiting list for social housing in each district council area is shown in Appendix 16.

Northern Ireland Schools Census

The Northern Ireland Schools Census provides an insight into the increasing ethnic diversity of schools by Education and Library Board in Northern Ireland. The changing ethnic makeup of primary and post primary school pupils is highlighted below:

Table 13: NI Schools Census Pupils at School by Ethnic Origin in Northern Ireland

	White			Other Ethnic Group		
	2004/2005	2005/2006	+/-	2004/2005	2005/2006	+/-
Total Primary Schools	169,104	166,614	-2,490	2,894	3,332	438
Total Post Primary Schools	151,762	149,865	-1,897	1,687	1,975	288

Source: DENI Census 05/06

A full comparison between the 2004/05 and 2005/06 school census figures by Education and Library Board area is given in Appendix 17. A major limitation of this information is the 'white' category which in the main reflects applications from Northern Ireland, Great Britain, the Republic of Ireland, the EU and A8 countries.

Interpretation Statistics:

The Language Line facility was used a total of 587 times in District offices, Area Offices, HQ, PSHB and the Housing Advice Centre. A

full breakdown of the number of calls and the languages used by Housing Executive office location is given in Appendix 18.

The Northern Ireland Health and Social Services Interpreting Service (NIHSSIS) has provided figures showing the number of interpreting services provided in each Health and Social Services Board area:

Table 14: Northern Ireland Health and Social Services Interpreting Services (NIHSSIS) - Interpreter Requests April - June 2005

	Language	No. of Requests	% of Requests
Northern Ireland	Portuguese	1,207	48.4
	Lithuanian	344	13.8
	Polish	260	10.4
	Cantonese	223	8.9
	Russian	150	6.0
	Mandarin	112	4.5
	Ukrainian	35	1.4
	Tetum	35	1.4
	Arabic	20	0.8
	Spanish	19	0.8
	Slovak	17	0.7
	French	16	0.6
	Latvian	16	0.6
	Romanian	7	0.3
	Bengali	7	0.3
	Other	7	0.3
	Czech	6	0.2
	Turkish	5	0.2
	Urdu	5	0.2
	Hindi	3	0.1
Hakka	1	0.0	
	Total	2,495	100.0

Source: NIHSSIS

HMO Unit Information:

The HMO database shows that at August 2006 there were 11,028 houses in Northern Ireland formally identified as HMO's. A total of 219 HMO's have been identified as housing migrant workers. A full breakdown of HMO figures is given in Appendix 19.

Average House Prices

Table 15: A Statistical Summary of Average House Prices by Property Type in Northern Ireland

	2003	+/-	2004	+/-	2005
All Properties	£103,719	£9,516	£113,235	£20,777	£134,012
Terrace	£75,311	£8,348	£83,659	£18,868	£102,527
Semi Detached House	£94,458	£11,136	£105,594	£17,907	£123,501
Detached House	£154,404	£16,912	£171,316	£28,578	£199,894
Semi Detached Bungalow	£87,099	£11,393	£98,492	£18,745	£117,237
Detached Bungalow	£130,252	£18,523	£148,775	£24,894	£173,669
Apartment	£98,155	-£58	£98,097	£16,612	£114,709

Source: University of Ulster House Price Index