Overview of People Movement and Migration in Northern Ireland
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Outline

These slides provide an analysis of the EU27 population living in Northern Ireland with specific reference to the movement of people between Northern Ireland, Ireland and Great Britain.

• Movements of people between Northern Ireland and Great Britain / Ireland are extensive. People make journeys for a wide variety of reasons including to work, study, shop, tourism, or visit friends and family.

• Migration refers to the movement of people who live outside Northern Ireland (Great Britain, Ireland and the Rest of the World) to come to Northern Ireland with the intention of staying here for one year or more.
Movement of People
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2016 Mid Year Population Estimates for Northern Ireland (as at 30 June 2016), NISRA

Ireland Population and Migration Estimates, 2016 (as at 30 April 2016), CSO

Population Estimates for UK, GB: mid-2016 (as at 30 June 2016), ONS
In 2011, 38,000 residents born in Ireland (2% of the population)

- Of the 38,000 Northern Ireland residents born in Ireland, the largest numbers live in Derry City & Strabane (18%) and Belfast (16%) councils.
- The five border councils have 23,000 residents who were born in Ireland.
- The map shows the distribution of local residents born in Ireland throughout Northern Ireland (2011 Census).

Source: Northern Ireland Census 2011, NISRA
In 2011, 45,000 residents born in EU26 countries (3% of the population)

- Of the 45,000 Northern Ireland residents born in the EU 26 the largest numbers live in Belfast (19%) and Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon (17%) councils

- The map shows the distribution of local residents born in the EU26 throughout Northern Ireland (2011 Census)

Source: Northern Ireland Census 2011, NISRA
In 2011, 83,000 residents born in Great Britain (5% of the population)

- Of the 83,000 Northern Ireland residents born in Great Britain, the largest numbers live in Belfast (16%) and Ards & North Down (13%) councils.

- The map shows the distribution of local residents born in Great Britain throughout Northern Ireland (2011 Census).

Source: Northern Ireland Census 2011, NISRA
In October – December 2016 it was estimated that there were:

- 79,000 persons resident in NI born in EU26 with 71,000 aged 16 or over. Of these 57,000 (80%) were employed and working in NI.

- 1,455,000 total persons resident in NI aged 16 or over. Of these 841,000 (58%) were employed and working in NI.

Source: Labour Force Survey, NISRA
In October – December 2016 it was estimated that there were:

- 38,000 persons resident in NI born in Ireland with 37,000 aged 16 or over. Of these 21,000 (57%) were employed and working in NI.

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Source: Labour Force Survey, NISRA.
NI↔IE border – 110 million person crossings per annum

- 14% are HGV / LGV crossings
- 7% of people regularly commute across the border for work and study
- 5% are overnight tourism trips
- 74% are classed as other, which may include:
  - Other business purposes
  - Visiting friends and relatives
  - Shopping
  - Medical treatment
  - Tourism day trips
  - Further travel e.g. to get to an airport
  - Other reasons

NI-IE Border - Person Crossings by Purpose 2016*

*Traffic counters are located at the 15 Principal Northern Ireland-Ireland crossing points
**Breakdown is an estimate based on other sources applied to the DfI Transport Model

1. Department for Infrastructure (DfI) Transport Model
2. DfI Transport Model using vehicle classification mix from the 15 border crossing points on Transport Infrastructure Ireland
3. Censuses of Northern Ireland and Ireland 2011
An estimated 72 million NI-IE border vehicle crossings per annum. Of these:

- 66 million (91%) were classed as Other Vehicles - cars, motorcycles, LGVs and caravans, etc...
- 6.4 million (9%) were classed as HGV vehicles (including buses)

Source: DfI Transport Model and Internal Analysis of Transport Infrastructure Ireland data
In 2016, 8.3 million (35%) Irish Sea person crossings using Northern Ireland air and sea ports; of these:
- 6.2 million (27%) used NI airports
- 2.1 million (9%) used NI sea-ports

In 2016, 15.2 million (65%) Irish Sea person crossings using Ireland air and sea ports; of these:
- 12.8 million (55%) used IE airports
- 2.4 million (10%) used IE sea-ports
An estimated 3.1 million Irish Sea (IE/NI↔GB) vehicle crossings per annum. Of these:

- 1.9 million (60%) were classed as HGV vehicles (including buses)
- 1.2 million (40%) were classed as Other Vehicles such as cars, motorcycles, LGVs, caravans, etc....

There were a further 184,000 air traffic movements between airports in NI/IE and GB; and 46,000 arrivals and departures from NI and IE sea ports.

Port Freight Statistics: 2016 final figures (revised), Department for Transport
Statistics of Port Traffic 2016, CSO
UK Airport Data, Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation Statistics, CSO
Summary

Movement of People:

North-South:
- Estimated total NI↔IE border crossings per annum:
  - 110 million persons & 72 million vehicles
  - 66 million Other Vehicles (cars, motorcycles, LGVs and caravans)
  - 6.4 million HGVs & Buses

East-West:
- Estimated total Irish Sea (IE/NI↔GB) crossings per annum:
  - 23 million persons & 3.1 million vehicles
  - 1.2 million Other Vehicles (cars, motorcycles, trade vehicles, LGVs and caravans)
  - 1.9 million HGVs and buses
- There were a further 184,000 air traffic movements between NI/IE-GB airports; and 46,000 arrivals and departures from NI/IE sea ports
Population Migration
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- 1,455,000 total persons resident in NI aged 16 or over. Of these 841,000 (58%) were employed and working in NI

Source: Labour Force Survey, NISRA
1,052 births in Northern Ireland to mothers from GB in 2016 - this is a fall from 1,756 births in 1997

7% of all births in 1997
4% of all births in 2016

In total 24,100 births in NI in 2016
Small fall in births in Northern Ireland to mothers born in Ireland

Births in Northern Ireland to Mothers born in Great Britain and Ireland 1997-2016

618 births to mothers from IE in 2016; down from 723 births in 1997
3% of all births in 1997
3% of all births in 2016

In total 24,100 births in NI in 2016

Registrar General Annual Report 2016 Births, NISRA 2017
Large rise in births in Northern Ireland to mother born in EU26 countries

1,590 births to mothers from EU26 countries; up from 176 births in 1997

1% of all births in 1997
7% of all births in 2016

In total 24,100 births in NI in 2016

Large rise seen after 2004 EU expansion

Registrar General Annual Report 2016 Births, NISRA 2017
UK-born people living and working in Northern Ireland more likely to work in higher skilled jobs

Survey estimates show that in 2015-16 that:

- UK born people living and working in Northern Ireland are more likely to work in higher skilled jobs than non-UK born counterparts.

Proportions of Skill Level of Occupation and Country of Birth Groups Employed in Northern Ireland Q4 2015 – Q3 2016 (aged 16-64)

Source: Labour Force Survey, NISRA
Employment fell by 40,000 between Q1 2008 and Q2 2009 (impact of financial crisis)

By 2014 employment levels were at pre crisis levels

By 2016 employment had risen by nearly 40,000

Since 2014 employment recovery driven by people born in EU26 now living in Northern Ireland

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- UK born people living and working in NI are more likely to work in higher skilled jobs.

Over the longer-term:

- There has been a long-term decline in births here to mothers from GB – down from 1,756 births in 1997 to 1,052 births in 2016.

- There has been a large rise in births here to mothers born in EU26 countries – up from 176 births in 1997 to 1,590 births in 2016.

- Recent employment growth has been driven by people from EU26 now living and working here.
Cross Border Higher Education
15% Non-NI Students at NI Higher Education Institutions in 2015/16

- In 2015/16 - 55,200 students were enrolled in NI Higher Education Institutions. Of these:
  - 47,200 (85%) were from Northern Ireland
  - 2,900 (5%) were from Great Britain
  - 2,200 (4%) were from Ireland
  - 400 (1%) were from EU26
  - 2,600 (5%) were from the Rest of the World

- In 2016/17, there were 1,900 Ireland domiciled students at the three NI Further Education Colleges near the border - 6% of their student intake
Tourism
2.6 million external overnight trips & £614 million spent in NI in 2016

- 2.6 million external overnight trips to Northern Ireland in 2016
- 85% of overnight visitors were from GB, Ireland and Other Europe
- £614 million spent by visitors on overnight trips – equal to 2% of NI’s GVA (Gross Value Added) of £37.2 billion
- 844,000 external overnight holiday trips by visitors
- 342,000 external overnight business trips by visitors
64% of visitors from Outside UK & IE come through IE ports

Great Britain and Outside UK & Ireland Overnight Trips to Northern Ireland by Place of Departure 2016

- 64% of Outside UK & Ireland visitors used an air or sea port in Ireland
- 91% of GB visitors came directly to NI using a Northern Ireland air or sea port
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Note: Whilst the extent of the EU has changed over time, the definition of EU26 above has been taken throughout this report.
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