

POPULATION AND MIGRATION ESTIMATES NORTHERN IRELAND (2007) – STATISTICAL REPORT



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Executive Summary

1. Between mid-2006 and mid-2007 the number of people living in Northern Ireland is estimated to have increased by 17,500 people (1.0%). The size of the resident population in Northern Ireland at 30 June 2007 is estimated to be 1.759 million people.
2. The population increase between 2006 and 2007 was a result of:
 - natural growth of 9,100 people (23,800 births and 14,700 deaths);
 - net migration gain in Northern Ireland of 9,800 people (32,300 people came to Northern Ireland to live and 22,500 people left); and
 - a net loss of 1,400 Her Majesty's Forces stationed in Northern Ireland.
3. Population growth due to migration was similar in 2006-7 to that in 2005-6 (+9,900), which was the highest observed, and for the second successive year, was larger than natural growth. In the decade to 2004, the overall annual rate of population increase was around 7,000 persons (0.4%) each year. The 2005, 2006 and 2007 increases in population were significantly larger at 14,000 people (0.8%), 17,000 people (1.0%) and 17,500 people (1.0%) respectively.
4. Within the province, Dungannon Local Government District had the biggest increase in population (+3.8%) while Antrim (+2.2%), Banbridge (+2.1%), Craigavon (+2.4%), and Newry and Mourne (+2.2%) Local Government Districts all experienced population growth of 2%.
5. More detailed analysis and figures are attached.

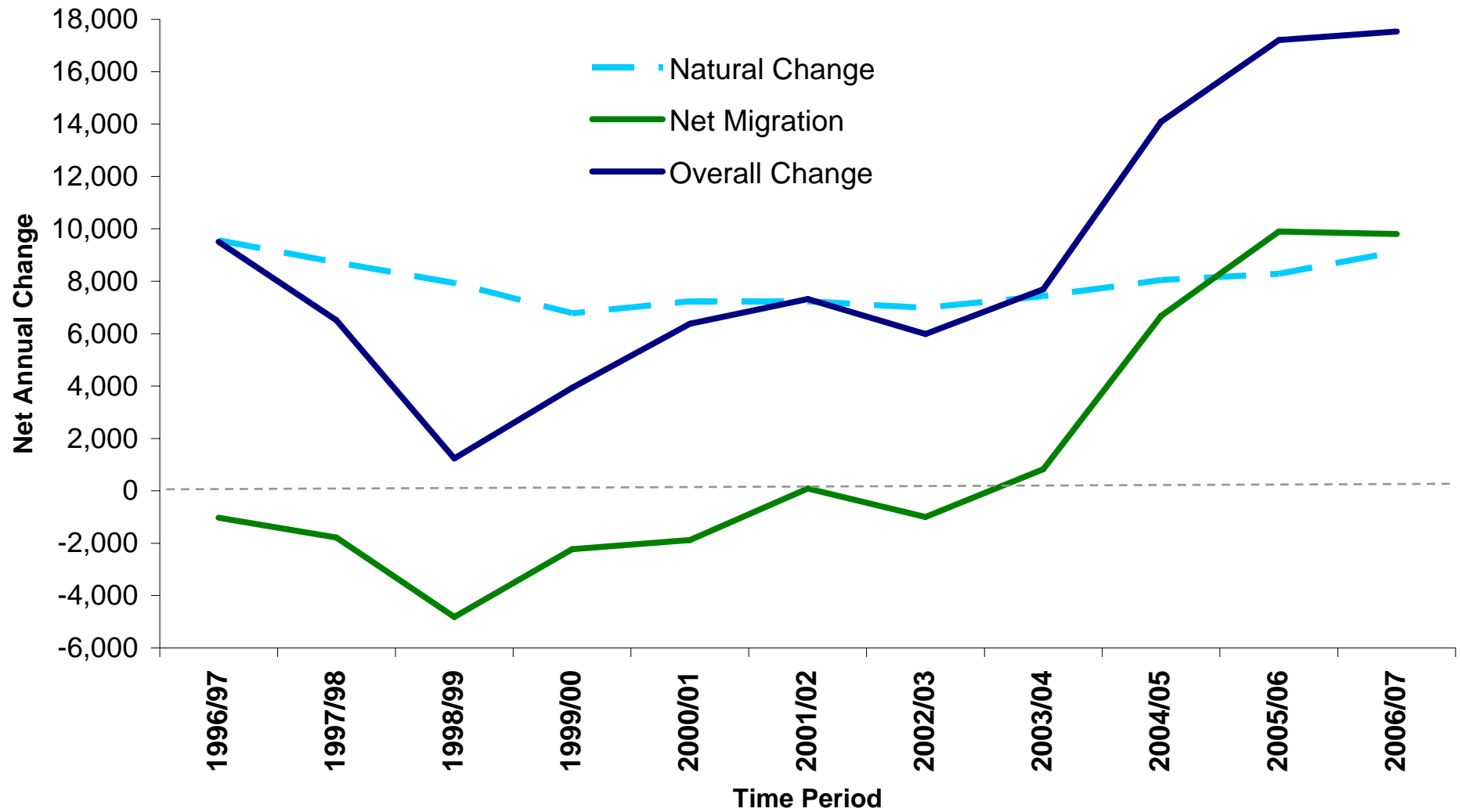
Introduction

This report outlines some of the main findings in the 2007 mid-year estimates of population and migration for Northern Ireland. All the statistics presented are available in MS Excel format on the NISRA website at <http://www.nisra.gov.uk/demography/default.asp.htm>. Also available on the website is a detailed methodology report on population estimates and a report on the sources used to estimate migration in Northern Ireland.

Northern Ireland level

- between mid-2006 and mid-2007 the number of people living in Northern Ireland is estimated to have increased by 17,500 people (1.0%). The size of the resident population in Northern Ireland at 30 June 2007 is estimated to be 1.759 million people;
- the population increase between 2006 and 2007 was a result of the following factors:
 - a. natural growth of 9,100 people (23,800 births and 14,700 deaths);
 - b. net migration gain in Northern Ireland of 9,800 people (32,300 people came to Northern Ireland to live and 22,500 people left); and
 - c. a net loss of 1,400 Her Majesty's Forces stationed in Northern Ireland.
- Figure 1 shows the components of population change between 1996/07 and 2006/07. Prior to 2004, population increase was mostly due to natural change i.e. the number of births minus the number of deaths. However, in 2005/6 and 2006/7 the contribution from migration was larger than the contribution from natural change;

Figure 1: Components of Population Change (1996/97 to 2006/07)



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- between 2006 and 2007 the number of children¹ remained constant (381,100 children in both 2006 and 2007). In the ten-year period between 1997 and 2007 the number of children has fallen from 413,400 to 380,100 a decrease of 8.1%. This overall fall since 1997 reflects the declining number of babies born in the late 1980s and 1990s;
- however the latest mid-year to mid-year birth figures show a significant rise in the number of babies born since 2001. It is estimated that with the current pattern of fertility the “average” woman will have 2.02 children in her lifetime. The number of babies in mid-2006 to mid-2007 (23,800) is 11% higher than the number in mid-2000 to mid-2001 (21,500);
- between 2006 and 2007 the working age² population has increased by 1.1% (from 1,077,400 to 1,089,400). A significant element of this 12,000 working age population increase between 2006 and 2007 is due to migration (7,300 people). In the ten-year period between 1997 and 2007 the working age population has increased from 1,002,900 to 1,089,400 a rise of 8.6%;
- between 2006 and 2007 the pensioner³ population has increased by 2.0% (from 284,100 to 289,700). In the ten-year period between 1997 and 2007 the pensioner population has increased from 254,900 to 289,700 a rise of 13.6%;
- between 2006 and 2007 the very elderly⁴ population has increased by 3.7% (from 26,300 to 27,300). In the ten-year period between 1997 and 2007 the very elderly population has increased from 22,700 to 27,300 a rise of 19.9%;

¹ Children are defined as those in the population aged under 16.

² Working age population is defined as the male population aged 16-64 and the female population aged 16-59.

³ Pensioners are defined as the male population aged 65 and over and the female population aged 65 and over.

⁴ Very elderly are defined as those in the population aged 85 and over

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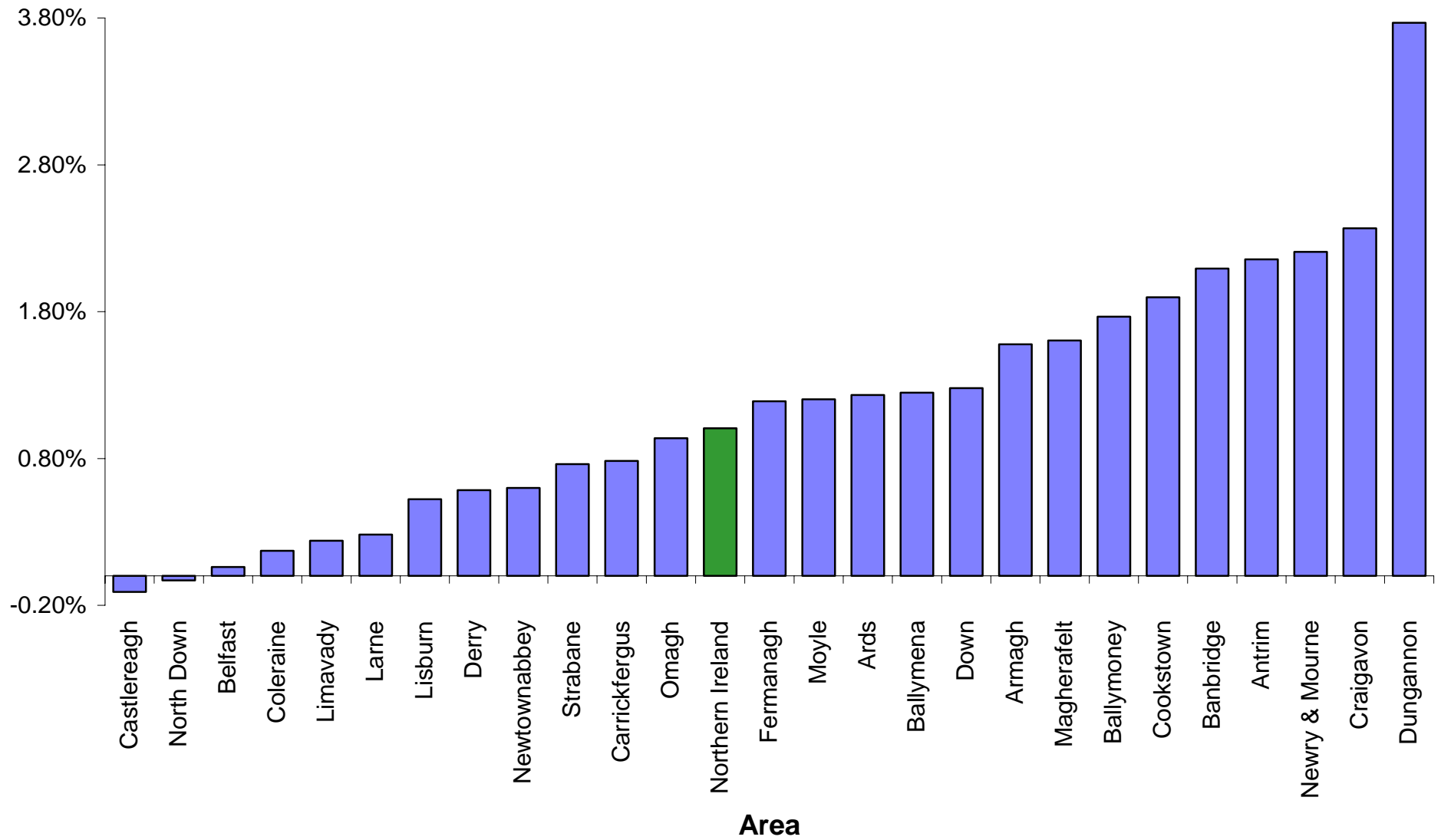
- the overall death rate in Northern Ireland has fallen significantly over the last 30 years from 11 deaths per 1,000 population in 1977 to 8 deaths per 1,000 population in 2007, a similar figure to 2006.
- the median age (the age at which half the population is older and half is younger) of the Northern Ireland population has increased from 28 to 36 years over the last three decades.

Local Government Districts (change in population size)

- between 2006 and 2007, Dungannon and Craigavon Local Government Districts had the greatest increases in population (+3.8% and +2.4% respectively). These rates of increase are more than twice the Northern Ireland percentage increase (+1.0%);
- other districts that experienced population increases of over 2% included Antrim (+2.2%), Banbridge (+2.1%) and Newry and Mourne (+2.2%) Local Government Districts;
- in addition Armagh (+1.6%), Ballymoney (+1.8%), Cookstown (+1.9%) and Magherafelt (+1.6%) Local Government Districts all experienced population growth of over 1.5%;
- in contrast between 2006 and 2007 Belfast (0.1%), Castlereagh (-0.1%) and North Down (0.0%) Local Government Districts experienced either virtually no growth or a very small loss in population;
- Figure 2 shows the overall percentage population change for all Local Government Districts within Northern Ireland between 2006 and 2007;

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Figure 2: Overall Percentage Change in Population Size of Local Areas Between 2006 and 2007

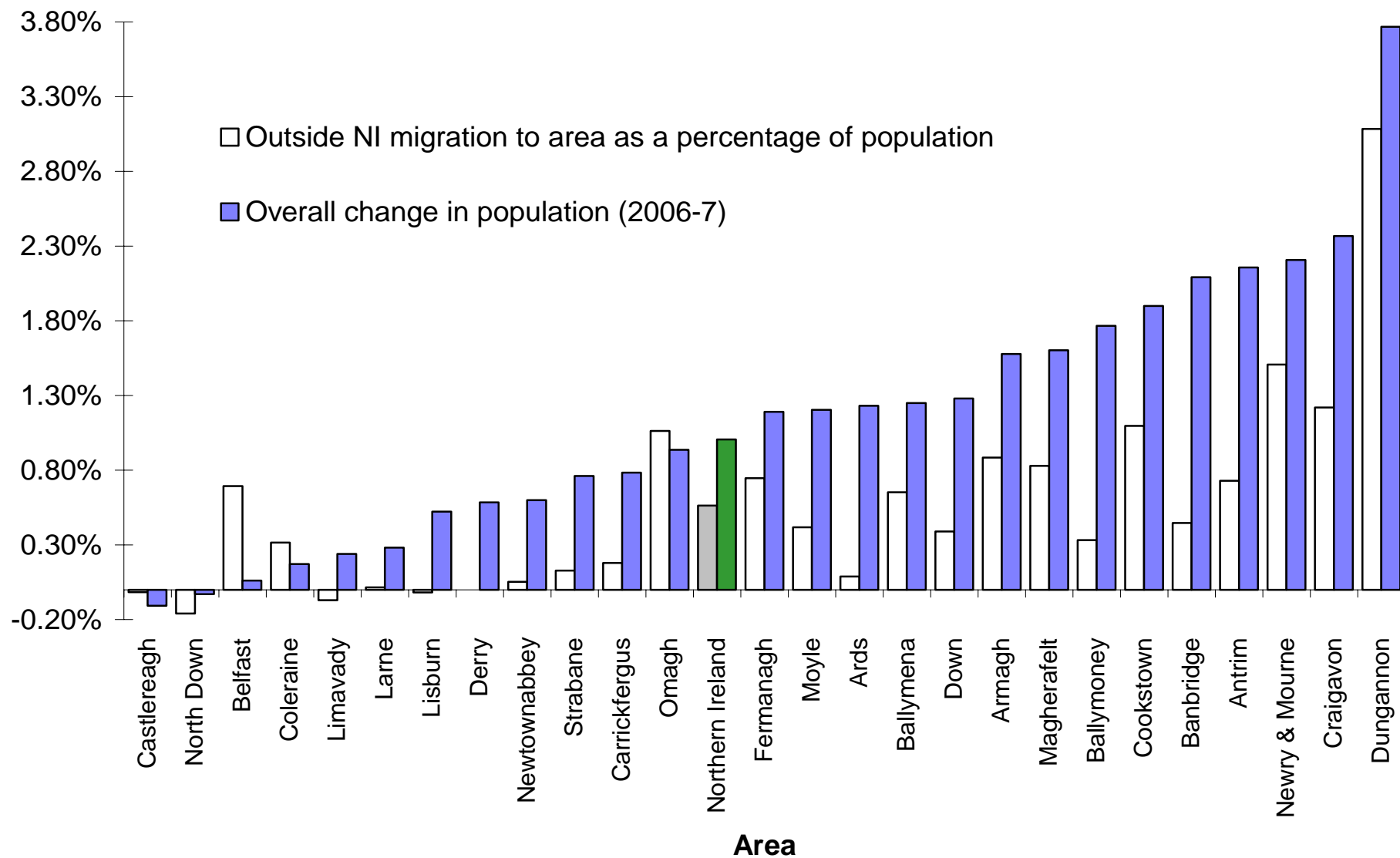


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- all Local Government Districts in Northern Ireland experienced a natural increase in population (births less deaths). The largest natural increase of population was in Lisburn and Newry and Mourne Local Government Districts, each with natural increases of almost 800 people;
- Newry and Mourne Local Government District had the highest proportion of children among its population (24.4%), while North Down Local Government District had the lowest proportion (18.5%);
- North Down Local Government District had the highest proportion of the population of pensionable age (20.5%) while Derry Local Government District had the lowest proportion (13.1%).
- Figure 3 shows the overall percentage change in population size alongside the percentage of migration from outside Northern Ireland to each area as a percentage of the population;
- Dungannon Local Government District had the largest percentage of migration from outside Northern Ireland and this is the main driver for its population increase. In contrast while Belfast Local Government District has had a significant migration from outside Northern Ireland there has still been a decrease in population between 2006 and 2007. This is due to Belfast residents moving out of Belfast to other areas within Northern Ireland (as shown in Table 4);

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Figure 3: Overall Percentage Change in Population Size and In Migration of Local Areas Between 2006 and 2007



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Parliamentary Constituencies

- Fermanagh and South Tyrone had the greatest proportionate increase in population of the Parliamentary Constituencies (+2.5%), whilst only two Parliamentary Constituencies showed a decrease in population between 2006 and 2007 – Belfast South (-0.5%) and Belfast West (-0.2%);
- all Parliamentary Constituencies in Northern Ireland experienced a natural increase in population (births less deaths). The largest natural increase of population was in Upper Bann Parliamentary Constituency with natural increases of over 900 people;
- Belfast West Parliamentary Constituency had the highest proportion of children among its population (24.4%), while Belfast South had the lowest proportion (16.4%);
- Belfast East Parliamentary Constituency had the highest proportion of the population of pensionable age (21.4%) while Foyle Parliamentary Constituency had the lowest proportion (13.1%).

The following tables⁵ and figures are attached:

Table 1: Northern Ireland mid-year population estimates, by gender and 5-year agebands, 2007

Table 2: Components of population change, Northern Ireland, 1996 to 2007

Table 3: Components of population change, by area, 2006 to 2007

Table 4: Detailed migration, by area, 2006 to 2007

Table 5: Local population estimates for selected age groups, by area, 2007

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⁵ All figures in tables have been rounded to the nearest 100. Therefore counts may not add to totals due to rounding.

**Table 1 Northern Ireland Mid-Year Population Estimates, by
Gender and Five Year Age Bands, 2007**

Age Group	Males	Females	Persons
0-4	59,200	56,100	115,300
5-9	59,000	55,900	114,900
10-14	63,500	60,400	123,900
15-19	65,700	62,400	128,200
20-24	68,000	64,400	132,300
25-29	57,900	58,500	116,400
30-34	56,500	58,400	114,900
35-39	62,700	65,100	127,800
40-44	64,200	66,700	130,900
45-49	58,500	61,700	120,200
50-54	52,500	52,200	104,700
55-59	47,500	48,800	96,300
60-64	43,700	46,400	90,100
65-69	33,900	37,300	71,200
70-74	27,600	33,100	60,700
75-79	20,400	28,600	48,900
80-84	13,100	22,200	35,300
85-89	6,200	12,700	18,900
90+	2,000	6,400	8,400
All Ages	862,000	897,100	1,759,100

Table 2 Components of Population Change, Northern Ireland, 1996 to 2007

Year	Population at start of period	Births ¹	Deaths ¹	Natural Change	Migration	Other Changes ²	Population at end of period	Population Change	
								Number	%
Mid 1996 to Mid 1997	1,661,800	24,600	15,000	9,600	-1,000	1,000	1,671,300	9,500	<i>0.6</i>
Mid 1997 to Mid 1998	1,671,300	23,800	15,100	8,700	-1,800	-400	1,677,800	6,500	<i>0.4</i>
Mid 1998 to Mid 1999	1,677,800	23,400	15,500	7,900	-4,800	-1,900	1,679,000	1,200	<i>0.1</i>
Mid 1999 to Mid 2000	1,679,000	22,300	15,500	6,800	-2,200	-600	1,682,900	3,900	<i>0.2</i>
Mid 2000 to Mid 2001	1,682,900	21,600	14,300	7,200	-1,900	1,000	1,689,300	6,400	<i>0.4</i>
Mid 2001 to Mid 2002	1,689,300	21,500	14,200	7,200	100	0	1,696,600	7,300	<i>0.4</i>
Mid 2002 to Mid 2003	1,696,600	21,500	14,500	7,000	-1,000	0	1,702,600	6,000	<i>0.4</i>
Mid 2003 to Mid 2004	1,702,600	22,000	14,600	7,400	800	-600	1,710,300	7,700	<i>0.5</i>
Mid 2004 to Mid 2005	1,710,300	22,400	14,400	8,000	6,700	-600	1,724,400	14,100	<i>0.8</i>
Mid 2005 to Mid 2006	1,724,400	22,700	14,400	8,300	9,900	-1,000	1,741,600	17,200	<i>1.0</i>
Mid 2006 to Mid 2007	1,741,600	23,800	14,700	9,100	9,800	-1,400	1,759,100	17,500	<i>1.0</i>

¹ Mid year to mid year.

² Other changes principally relates to changes in Her Majesty's Forces stationed in Northern Ireland.

Table 3 Components of Population Change, by Area, 2006 to 2007

Area	Population at start of period June 2006	Births ¹ 2006/2007	Deaths ¹ 2006/2007	Natural Change 2006/2007	Migration 2006/2007	Other Changes ² 2006/2007	Population at end of period June 2007	Population Change	
								Number	%
Northern Ireland	1,741,600	23,800	14,700	9,100	9,800	-1,400	1,759,100	17,500	1.0
Local Government District									
Antrim	51,500	800	400	400	800	-100	52,600	1,100	2.2
Ards	76,200	900	700	200	700	0	77,100	900	1.2
Armagh	56,800	900	500	400	500	0	57,700	900	1.6
Ballymena	61,400	800	500	300	500	0	62,100	800	1.2
Ballymoney	29,200	400	200	200	400	0	29,700	500	1.8
Banbridge	45,500	700	300	400	600	0	46,400	1,000	2.1
Belfast	267,400	3,500	2,800	700	-600	0	267,500	200	0.1
Carrickfergus	39,700	500	400	100	200	0	40,000	300	0.8
Castlereagh	65,600	800	600	100	-200	0	65,600	-100	-0.1
Coleraine	56,700	600	500	100	-100	0	56,800	100	0.2
Cookstown	34,800	500	300	200	400	0	35,400	700	1.9
Craigavon	86,800	1,300	600	700	1,300	0	88,800	2,100	2.4
Derry	107,900	1,500	800	700	-100	0	108,500	600	0.6
Down	68,300	1,000	600	400	500	0	69,200	900	1.3
Dungannon	52,300	800	400	400	1,500	0	54,300	2,000	3.8
Fermanagh	60,600	800	500	200	500	0	61,300	700	1.2
Larne	31,300	400	300	100	0	0	31,300	100	0.3
Limavady	34,300	500	200	300	0	-100	34,400	100	0.2
Lisburn	112,900	1,600	800	800	300	-500	113,500	600	0.5
Magherafelt	42,400	600	300	400	300	0	43,100	700	1.6
Moyle	16,500	200	200	0	200	0	16,700	200	1.2
Newry and Mourne	93,400	1,500	700	800	1,300	0	95,500	2,100	2.2
Newtownabbey	81,200	1,100	700	500	0	0	81,700	500	0.6
North Down	78,700	900	700	200	-100	-100	78,700	0	0.0
Omagh	51,000	700	400	300	700	-500	51,500	500	0.9
Strabane	39,100	500	300	200	100	0	39,400	300	0.8

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								Number	%
Health and Social Services Boards									
Eastern	669,100	8,700	6,200	2,500	700	-700	671,600	2,500	0.4
Northern	444,700	5,900	3,700	2,200	2,800	-100	449,600	4,900	1.1
Southern	334,800	5,200	2,500	2,700	5,300	0	342,800	7,900	2.4
Western	293,000	4,000	2,300	1,700	1,100	-600	295,200	2,200	0.8
Education and Library Boards									
Belfast	267,400	3,500	2,800	700	-600	0	267,500	200	0.1
North Eastern	409,900	5,400	3,400	2,000	2,400	-100	414,200	4,300	1.0
South Eastern	401,700	5,200	3,500	1,700	1,300	-700	404,000	2,300	0.6
Southern	369,600	5,700	2,800	2,900	5,700	0	378,200	8,600	2.3
Western	293,000	4,000	2,300	1,700	1,100	-600	295,200	2,200	0.8
NUTS III Areas									
Belfast	267,400	3,500	2,800	700	-600	0	267,500	200	0.1
East of N. Ireland	378,200	4,900	3,300	1,700	300	-600	379,500	1,300	0.3
North of N. Ireland	420,900	5,800	3,400	2,400	4,500	-100	427,700	6,800	1.6
Outer Belfast	283,900	3,800	2,200	1,500	400	-100	285,700	1,800	0.6
West & South of N. Ireland	391,300	5,800	3,100	2,800	5,200	-500	398,800	7,500	1.9

¹ Mid 2006 to 2007.

² Other changes principally relates to changes in Her Majesty's Forces stationed in Northern Ireland.

Table 3 Components of Population Change, by Area, 2006 to 2007

Area	Population at start of period June 2006	Births ¹ 2006/2007	Deaths ¹ 2006/2007	Natural Change 2006/2007	Migration 2006/2007	Other Changes ² 2006/2007	Population at end of period June 2007	Population Change	
								Number	%
Parliamentary Constituencies³									
Belfast East	77,700	1,000	900	0	500	0	78,200	500	0.6
Belfast North	81,900	1,200	900	300	200	0	82,500	500	0.6
Belfast South	92,200	1,000	800	300	-700	0	91,800	-500	-0.5
Belfast West	84,700	1,300	800	500	-700	0	84,500	-200	-0.2
East Antrim	86,700	1,100	800	300	100	0	87,100	400	0.4
East Londonderry	91,100	1,100	700	400	-100	-100	91,200	200	0.2
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	97,600	1,400	800	500	1,900	0	100,000	2,400	2.5
Foyle	107,900	1,500	800	700	-100	0	108,500	600	0.6
Lagan Valley	108,000	1,500	800	600	600	-500	108,800	700	0.7
Mid Ulster	92,500	1,400	600	800	900	0	94,100	1,600	1.8
Newry & Armagh	106,300	1,700	900	900	1,400	0	108,500	2,200	2.1
North Antrim	107,100	1,400	900	500	1,100	0	108,600	1,500	1.4
North Down	88,800	1,000	900	200	100	-100	88,900	200	0.2
South Antrim	104,500	1,500	800	700	900	-100	106,100	1,600	1.6
South Down	112,800	1,700	900	800	1,100	0	114,700	1,900	1.7
Strangford	101,200	1,200	900	300	400	0	101,800	700	0.7
Upper Bann	110,400	1,700	800	900	1,500	0	112,900	2,400	2.2
West Tyrone	90,200	1,200	700	500	700	-500	90,900	800	0.9

¹ Mid 2006 to 2007.

² Other changes principally relates to changes in Her Majesty's Forces stationed in Northern Ireland.

³ Parliamentary Constituency boundaries were reviewed in June 2008 however, in interests of continuity, data relates to boundaries at the time of the Assembly Election

Table 4

Detailed Migration, 2006 to 2007

Area	Population at June 2007	Net Internal Migration ¹ 2006/2007	Net External Migration ² 2006/2007	Net Total Migration 2006/2007
Northern Ireland	1,759,100	0	9,800	9,800
Local Government Districts				
Antrim	52,600	400	400	800
Ards	77,100	700	100	700
Armagh	57,700	0	500	500
Ballymena	62,100	100	400	500
Ballymoney	29,700	300	100	400
Banbridge	46,400	400	200	600
Belfast	267,500	-2,400	1,900	-600
Carrickfergus	40,000	100	100	200
Castlereagh	65,600	-200	0	-200
Coleraine	56,800	-200	200	-100
Cookstown	35,400	0	400	400
Craigavon	88,800	300	1,100	1,300
Derry	108,500	-100	0	-100
Down	69,200	200	300	500
Dungannon	54,300	-100	1,600	1,500
Fermanagh	61,300	0	500	500
Larne	31,300	0	0	0
Limavady	34,400	0	0	0
Lisburn	113,500	300	0	300
Magherafelt	43,100	0	400	300
Moyle	16,700	100	100	200
Newry and Mourne	95,500	-100	1,400	1,300
Newtownabbey	81,700	0	0	0
North Down	78,700	0	-100	-100
Omagh	51,500	100	500	700
Strabane	39,400	0	100	100

¹ Internal migration relates to population migration across local areas within Northern Ireland only.

² External migration relates to migration flows with Great Britain, the Republic of Ireland and the Rest of the World.

Table 4

Detailed Migration, 2006 to 2007

Area	Population at June 2007	Net Internal Migration ¹ 2006/2007	Net External Migration ² 2006/2007	Net Total Migration 2006/2007
Health and Social Services Boards				
Eastern	671,600	-1,300	2,000	700
Northern	449,600	800	2,000	2,800
Southern	342,800	500	4,800	5,300
Western	295,200	100	1,000	1,100
Education and Library Boards				
Belfast	267,500	-2,400	1,900	-600
North Eastern	414,200	800	1,600	2,400
South Eastern	404,000	1,100	200	1,300
Southern	378,200	500	5,200	5,700
Western	295,200	100	1,000	1,100
NUTS III Areas				
Belfast	267,500	-2,400	1,900	-600
East of N. Ireland	379,500	300	0	300
North of N. Ireland	427,700	2,100	2,400	4,500
Outer Belfast	285,700	0	400	400
West & South of N. Ireland	398,800	-100	5,300	5,200

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Table 4**Detailed Migration, 2006 to 2007**

Area	Population at June 2007	Net Internal Migration¹ 2006/2007	Net External Migration² 2006/2007	Net Total Migration 2006/2007
Parliamentary Constituencies³				
Belfast East	78,200	0	500	500
Belfast North	82,500	-300	500	200
Belfast South	91,800	-1,600	900	-700
Belfast West	84,500	-700	100	-700
East Antrim	87,100	0	100	100
East Londonderry	91,200	-200	200	-100
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	100,000	-100	1,900	1,900
Foyle	108,500	-100	0	-100
Lagan Valley	108,800	700	0	600
Mid Ulster	94,100	0	900	900
Newry & Armagh	108,500	-100	1,400	1,400
North Antrim	108,600	500	600	1,100
North Down	88,900	200	-100	100
South Antrim	106,100	600	300	900
South Down	114,700	300	800	1,100
Strangford	101,800	300	100	400
Upper Bann	112,900	300	1,200	1,500
West Tyrone	90,900	100	600	700

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Table 5 **Local Population Estimates for Selected Age Groups, by Area, 2007**

Area	Numbers				Percentages		
	All Ages	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³
Northern Ireland	1,759,100	380,100	1,089,400	289,700	21.6	61.9	16.5
Local Government Districts							
Antrim	52,600	12,200	32,900	7,500	23.3	62.5	14.2
Ards	77,100	15,200	47,700	14,200	19.7	61.9	18.4
Armagh	57,700	13,500	35,000	9,200	23.4	60.7	15.9
Ballymena	62,100	12,900	37,700	11,500	20.7	60.7	18.6
Ballymoney	29,700	6,500	18,300	5,000	21.8	61.5	16.7
Banbridge	46,400	10,300	29,100	7,100	22.2	62.5	15.3
Belfast	267,500	52,700	167,700	47,100	19.7	62.7	17.6
Carrickfergus	40,000	8,300	24,800	6,900	20.8	62.0	17.3
Castlereagh	65,600	13,000	39,400	13,200	19.8	60.1	20.1
Coleraine	56,800	11,700	34,300	10,800	20.5	60.4	19.1
Cookstown	35,400	8,200	22,100	5,100	23.1	62.4	14.5
Craigavon	88,800	19,800	55,200	13,800	22.2	62.2	15.6
Derry	108,500	25,800	68,500	14,200	23.8	63.1	13.1
Down	69,200	15,400	42,700	11,000	22.3	61.7	16.0
Dungannon	54,300	12,500	34,000	7,900	23.0	62.5	14.5
Fermanagh	61,300	13,100	38,000	10,200	21.3	62.0	16.7
Larne	31,300	6,200	19,300	5,900	19.7	61.6	18.7
Limavady	34,400	7,900	21,900	4,600	22.9	63.7	13.4
Lisburn	113,500	25,900	70,100	17,500	22.8	61.7	15.4
Magherafelt	43,100	10,100	27,000	6,000	23.4	62.7	13.9
Moyle	16,700	3,500	10,100	3,200	20.7	60.4	18.8
Newry and Mourne	95,500	23,300	58,800	13,400	24.4	61.6	14.1
Newtownabbey	81,700	16,700	50,300	14,800	20.4	61.5	18.1
North Down	78,700	14,500	48,000	16,100	18.5	61.0	20.5
Omagh	51,500	11,900	32,300	7,300	23.0	62.8	14.2
Strabane	39,400	9,200	24,100	6,100	23.3	61.2	15.5

¹ Children are defined as those in the population aged under 16.² Working age population is defined as the male population aged 16-64 and the female population aged 16-59.³ Pensioners are defined as the male population aged 65 and over and the female population aged 60 and over.

Table 5 Local Population Estimates for Selected Age Groups, by Area, 2007

Area	Numbers				Percentages		
	All Ages	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³
Health and Social Services Boards							
Eastern	671,600	136,800	415,600	119,200	20.4	61.9	17.8
Northern	449,600	96,200	276,800	76,600	21.4	61.6	17.0
Southern	342,800	79,300	212,000	51,400	23.1	61.9	15.0
Western	295,200	67,800	184,900	42,500	23.0	62.6	14.4
Education and Library Boards							
Belfast	267,500	52,700	167,700	47,100	19.7	62.7	17.6
North Eastern	414,200	88,000	254,700	71,500	21.2	61.5	17.3
South Eastern	404,000	84,000	248,000	72,100	20.8	61.4	17.8
Southern	378,200	87,500	234,100	56,500	23.1	61.9	14.9
Western	295,200	67,800	184,900	42,500	23.0	62.6	14.4
NUTS III Areas							
Belfast	267,500	52,700	167,700	47,100	19.7	62.7	17.6
East of N. Ireland	379,500	78,400	232,600	68,500	20.7	61.3	18.0
North of N. Ireland	427,700	91,900	264,600	71,100	21.5	61.9	16.6
Outer Belfast	285,700	64,500	177,300	43,900	22.6	62.1	15.4
West & South of N. Ireland	398,800	92,500	247,200	59,100	23.2	62.0	14.8

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Parliamentary Constituencies⁴							
Belfast East	78,200	14,400	47,200	16,700	18.4	60.3	21.4
Belfast North	82,500	17,700	48,700	16,100	21.4	59.0	19.5
Belfast South	91,800	15,000	61,800	15,000	16.4	67.3	16.3
Belfast West	84,500	20,600	51,400	12,500	24.4	60.9	14.7
East Antrim	87,100	17,900	53,900	15,300	20.6	61.9	17.5
East Londonderry	91,200	19,500	56,300	15,400	21.4	61.7	16.9
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	100,000	21,600	62,400	16,100	21.5	62.4	16.1
Foyle	108,500	25,800	68,500	14,200	23.8	63.1	13.1
Lagan Valley	108,800	23,800	67,100	17,900	21.9	61.7	16.5
Mid Ulster	94,100	22,300	58,700	13,200	23.7	62.4	14.0
Newry and Armagh	108,500	26,000	66,200	16,300	24.0	61.0	15.0
North Antrim	108,600	22,800	66,100	19,700	21.0	60.9	18.1
North Down	88,900	16,400	54,100	18,500	18.4	60.8	20.8
South Antrim	106,100	23,200	66,200	16,700	21.9	62.4	15.7
South Down	114,700	26,600	70,900	17,200	23.1	61.8	15.0
Strangford	101,800	20,500	63,100	18,200	20.1	62.0	17.9
Upper Bann	112,900	25,000	70,400	17,500	22.2	62.3	15.5
West Tyrone	90,900	21,100	56,500	13,400	23.1	62.1	14.7

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⁴ Parliamentary Constituency boundaries were reviewed in June 2008 however, in interests of continuity, data relates to boundaries at the time of the Assembly Election

NOTES TO EDITORS

1. The Northern Ireland mid-year population estimate relates to the usually resident population of Northern Ireland including Her Majesty's Forces stationed here. Births and deaths recorded are those registered by the General Register Office between mid-2006 and mid-2007.
2. Following international guidelines migration statistics relate only to long-term migrants (i.e. someone who changes their place of residence for a year or more (Recommendations on Statistics of International Migration, United Nations, 1998)).
3. This information can also be accessed on the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency's website at:
<http://www.nisra.gov.uk/demography/default.asp17.htm>
4. A paper is also being published today entitled "International Migration Estimates for Northern Ireland (2006-7) – Sources and Methodology". This updates analysis undertaken by NISRA last year and provides more detailed statistics on measures of long-term international migration. This paper can be found at:
<http://www.nisra.gov.uk/demography/default.asp18.htm>
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