

# What does Ireland do?

## *A first look at the NERI's new dashboard*

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# Overview

- The idea behind the project - mapping the economy
- Broad insights the dashboard provides
- The intended users and beneficiaries
- A look at the dashboard & practical challenges in delivering the dashboard, data issues and gaps, and the benefits of providing an in-depth
- Any thoughts/feedback.

# Why did we develop *What does Ireland do?*

- We repeatedly encountered demand for basic, reliable data on individual sectors of the Irish economy. This data was not readily available in a consistent or accessible format.
- Preparing separate sectoral insight reports on an ad hoc basis is really resource-intensive.
- To address this, we thought a better use of resource would be to develop a single, comprehensive platform that provides consistent, detailed, and up-to-date insights across all sectors and sub-sectors.
- We didn't want to just produce 50 insight reports with descriptive data – and this provides the starting point for more research orientated work on each.

Broad Sectors

Subsectors

Welfare State

Understanding our Labour Market

A New Economic Model

Wages and Incomes

Employment and Job Quality

Climate and the Just Transition

Providing research and analysis  
for the achievement of a better,  
fairer society.

ABOUT

## ***What does Ireland do?***

- *What Does Ireland Do?* is an interactive data platform developed to fill this gap by providing detailed, sector-specific insights into its:
  - Demographic profile
  - Nature of employment
  - Earnings
  - Working hours
  - Business Insights
  - Skills & Training
  - Top 10 occupations

Provides data across 19 sectors & over 50 sectors

# How did we develop *What does Ireland do?*

- Data comes from a combination of Labour Force Survey microdata, matched earnings data (LFSEAADS), and Eurostat Structural Business Statistics.
- Indicators are produced for each sector and subsector where sample sizes allow.
- Indicators are either annualised or, where more detail was required and annual samples were not sufficient, a pooled sample of the most recent 3 years of data is used.

# Results

## Computer programming, consultancy and information service activities



This division covers activities related to information technology expertise, including software development, system design, and on-site management of computer systems. It also includes web search portals, data processing, hosting, and other services that supply or process information, such as web hosting, streaming services, and data entry.

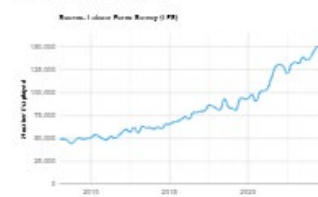
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### Annual earnings



### Number employed in Sector

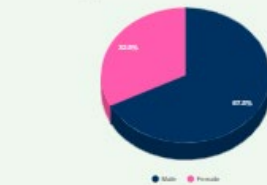


## Demographic Profile

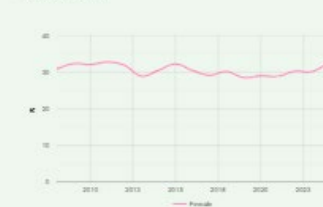
Source: Labour Force Survey (LFS)

### Gender breakdown

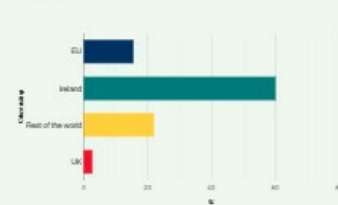
Gender breakdown (2024)



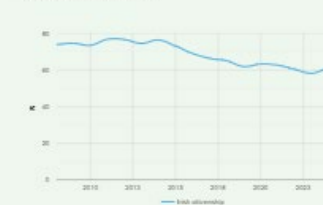
### Gender timeline



### Citizenship

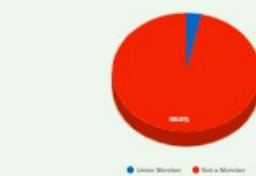


### Irish citizenship timeline

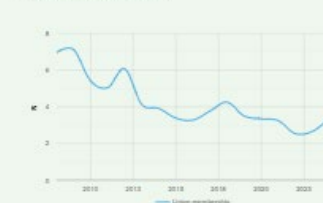


### Union Membership Breakdown

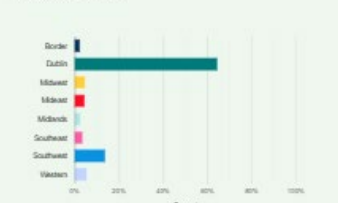
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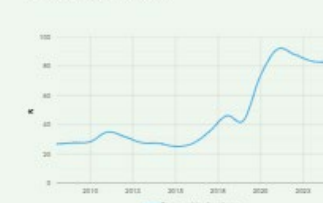
### Union membership timeline



### Regional Distribution



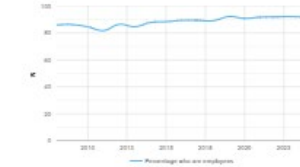
### Working from home timeline



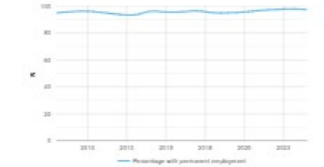
## Nature of Employment

Source: Labour Force Survey (LFS)

### Employees

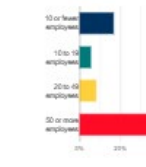


### Permanent employees



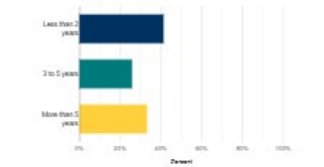
### Firm Size

Firm size distribution



### Employee tenure

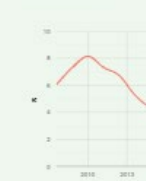
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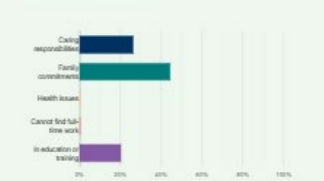
## Working Hours

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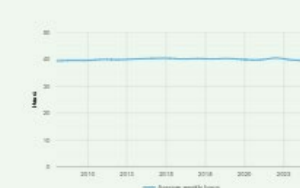
### Employed part-time



### Reasons for working part-time



### Weekly Hours (mean)

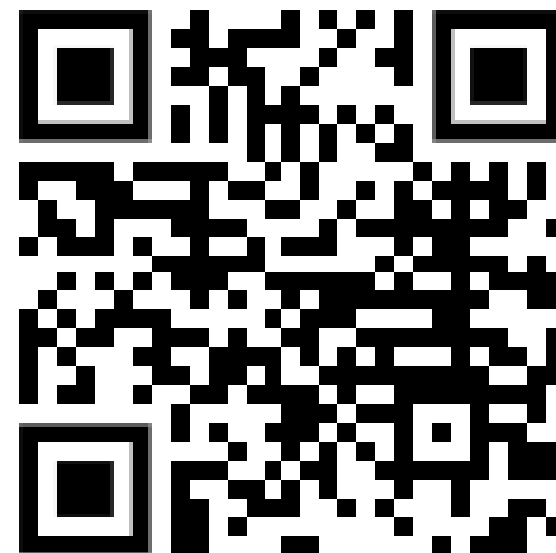


# Results

Broad sectors



Subsectors



# Limitations

- Trade-off between showing as much as possible where possible, and resorting to lowest common denominator for all sectors
- Result is something inbetween – some smaller sectors are missing indicators whereas other larger sectors can be examined in much more detail if need and interest is there
- Potential to look at within and between sector dynamics if demand is there



# Next steps

- User feedback
- Engage with potential users and stakeholders
  - Employee and business representatives
  - Educators
  - Policymakers
  - Researchers
- Incorporate Northern Ireland data
- Potential to look at occupational, regional breakdowns