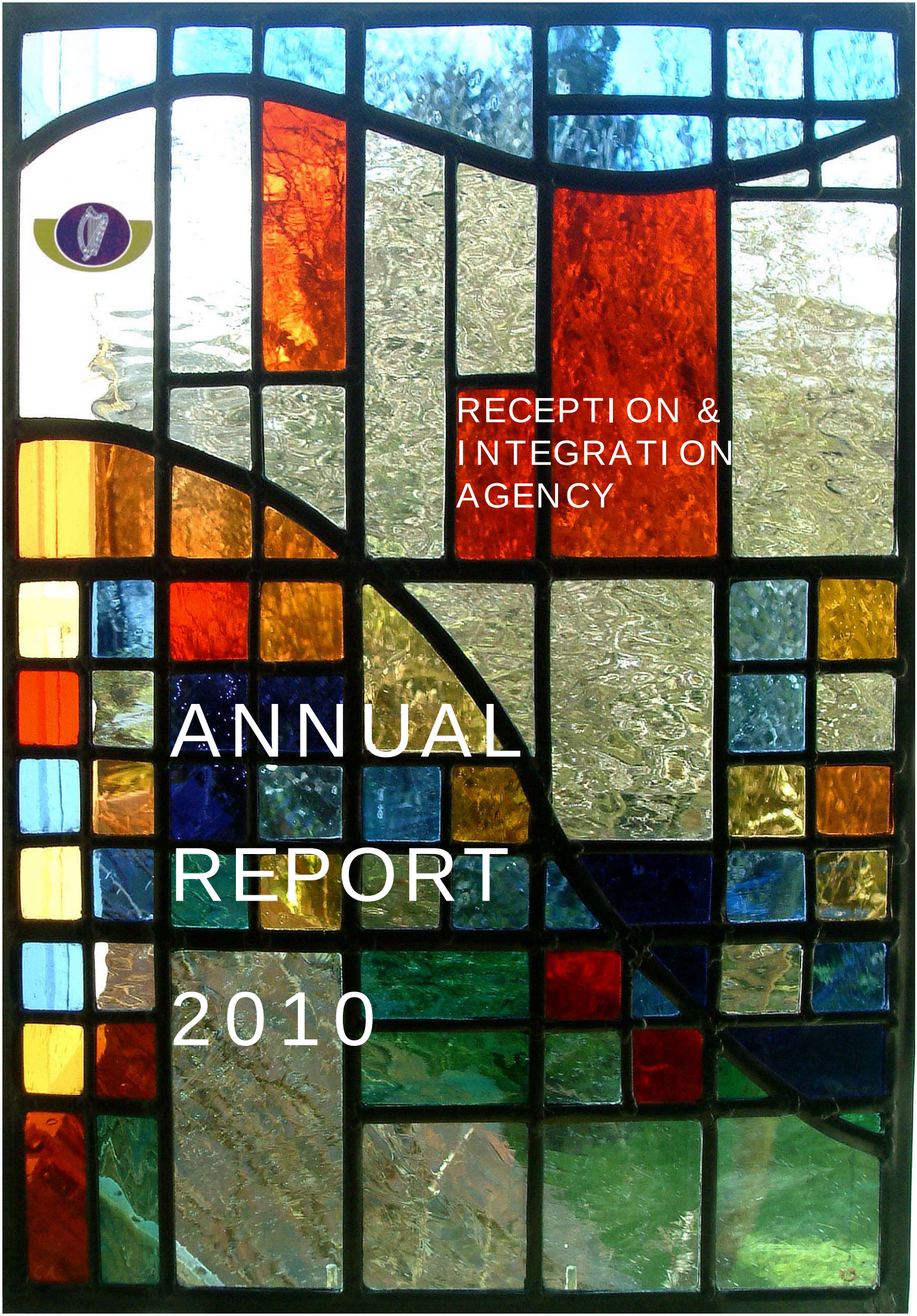
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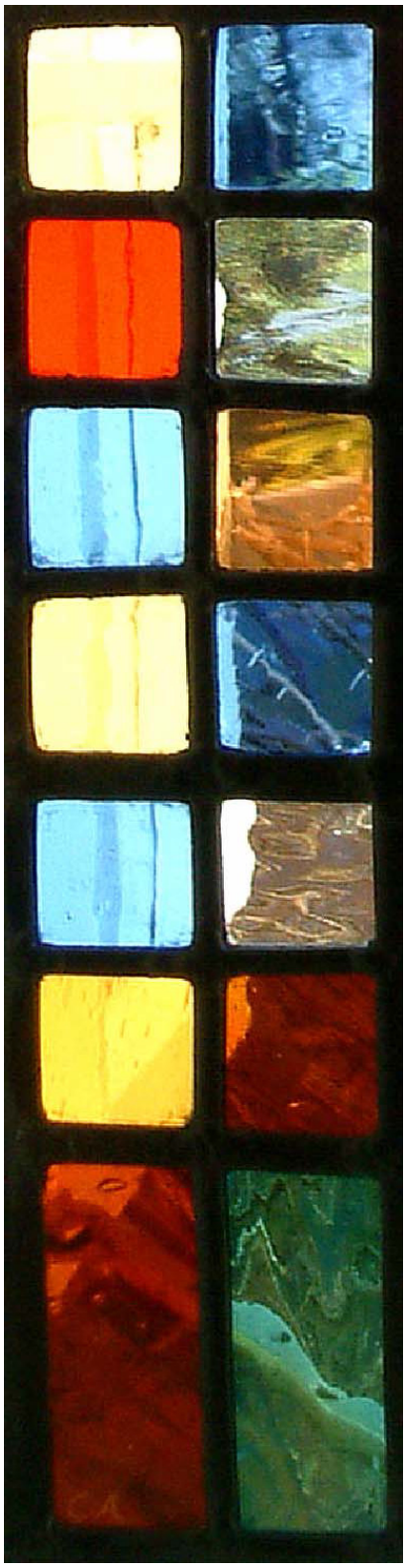

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Introduction

This 2010 Annual Report of the Reception and Integration Agency (RIA) details the principal work it carried out during the year.

The number of asylum seekers being accommodated by RIA during the year declined by 6% - down to 6,107. This decline was part of a continuing trend: during 2009, our numbers had fallen by 7%. The decline in the number of new asylum applicants coming into the country in 2010 was even more marked: from 2,689 in 2009 to 1,939 in 2010, a decrease of 28%.

There is no direct year-on-year relationship between the number of new asylum seekers entering the country applying for international protection and the numbers being accommodated by RIA. The average length of time people spend in the RIA accommodation is increasing. By the end of 2010, almost 45% of RIA residents first claimed international protection in Ireland three of more years previously.

RIA's financial provision in 2010 was 10% less than the 2009 outturn. The cost of the Direct Provision system, although still high, continued to fall. In 2010, RIA spent €79.1 million, down from €86.5 million in 2009. This reduction was achieved not just through centre closures but through continued positive cooperation with contractors in relation to contract rates, capacity numbers and, in the case of State owned properties, savings in energy and operating costs.

The RIA accommodation 'portfolio' constantly needs to be re-configured to take into account the ebb and flow of persons being accommodated and to keep within budget. By the end of 2010, 46 accommodation centres throughout the country were under contract to RIA. 6 accommodation centres and 2 self catering centres had been closed during the year.

On 30 July, 2010, the Government published the Value for Money (VFM) review of spending by RIA on asylum seeker accommodation. This review – available on the RIA website - www.ria.gov.ie – is a detailed and sophisticated examination of RIA spending on the Direct Provision system. The VFM report found that the aims and objectives of the accommodation programme run by RIA remain relevant and continue to warrant the allocation of public funds. The key recommendations of the report are being acted upon in RIA.

Members of the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Health and Children visited the RIA accommodation centres in Monaghan and Mosney, Co. Meath on 22 July, 2010. To address many of the questions and concerns which members had arising from this visit (as well in relation to the Direct Provision generally), the Committee called before it on 12 October, 2010 officials from RIA, INIS and the HSE. A web link to the transcript of those proceedings is on the RIA website.

RIA came under further scrutiny in July 2010 when, for cost saving reasons, it had to transfer 111 single persons from Mosney accommodation centre to Hatch Hall accommodation centre in central Dublin. That situation was managed over time to a successful conclusion.

The new "Direct Provision Reception & Accommodation Centre Services, Rules and Procedures" (otherwise known as the "House Rules") was published in 2010. Every protection applicant accommodated by RIA is provided with a copy of these House Rules which set out, inter alia, the obligations placed both on the centre manager and the resident. The Rules also incorporate a complaints process. The House Rules were published on RIA's website and hard copies were distributed to each centre.

RIA staff made 'road show' presentations of the new House Rules to RIA residents in 18 centres, the purpose of which was to encourage the effective use of these Rules, in particular the complaints process, by residents and staff.

The excellent progress in 2009 in relation to the introduction of Garda Vetting continued throughout 2010 and the vetting system has now been rolled out to all RIA centres.

This report details the 112 centre inspections and over 93 information clinics carried out in 2010. Because of adverse weather conditions towards the end of the year, there was some slippage in relation to the number of such visits carried out in 2010. Nonetheless, all centres were inspected at least twice during the year.

27 interagency meetings hosted by RIA throughout the country in 2010, details of which are in this report. These meetings help coordinate the work which RIA and other State agencies have to carry out in relation asylum seekers resident in the Direct Provision system.

In 2010 RIA continued to successfully carry out its role of assisting with the voluntary return home of destitute citizens of the 12 States which joined the EU in 2004 and 2007. In 2010, 548 such people were assisted to voluntarily return home, at a total cost of €126,442.

On the staffing front, vacancies in relation to secondment posts from the Department of Health and Children and the HSE were pursued in 2010. Vacancies also arose in 2010 in relation to staff members seconded from the Department of the Environment and Dublin City Council.

Background to the Reception & Integration Agency

RIA is a functional unit of the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service (INIS), a division of the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform. RIA is charged with providing accommodation and ancillary services to asylum seekers under the Direct Provision system which provides asylum seeker residents with full board accommodation free of utility or other cost. Under this system, RIA seeks to ensure that the material needs of residents, in the period during which their applications for international protection are being processed, are met.

The need to establish RIA arose from the increasing number of Asylum Seekers arriving into the State. A decade ago, these Asylum Seekers were treated as homeless under the then structures in place. Section 10 of the Housing Act, 1988, while not putting a statutory obligation on local authorities, confers powers on them to directly arrange and fund emergency accommodation, make arrangements with the HSE or a voluntary body for the provision of emergency accommodation, and/or make contributions to voluntary bodies towards the cost of accommodation provided by them.

The structures in that Act were unsuited to the situation facing Ireland in 1999 and subsequent years, when the number of asylum seekers arriving in Ireland increased dramatically. A total of 7,724 asylum applications were received in 1999 and a further 10,938 in the following year. Of these, most presented themselves in Dublin. The homeless service of the then Eastern Health Board could not cope and there was a serious prospect of widespread homelessness among asylum seekers.

In response to this serious and unprecedented challenge, the Directorate for Asylum Support Services (DASS), under the aegis of the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform. was established in November 1999 to coordinate the scheme of dispersal and direct provision for asylum seekers. DASS was subsequently replaced by the Reception and Integration Agency (RIA) on 2 April, 2001.

The Government decision to establish the Reception and Integration Agency followed an earlier Government decision that the recommendations in the report of the Interdepartmental Working Group on the Integration of Refugees in Ireland should form the framework for integration policy in Ireland and be implemented. One of the key recommendations of the Working Group was the establishment of a single organisational structure - within the overall framework of structures for asylum and immigration - for co-ordinating the implementation of an integration policy. RIA was established as the vehicle for implementing this recommendation. That Integration function was assigned to the Integration Unit of the Office of the Minister for Integration, an office newly created in July, 2007 under a Minister of State. This report therefore deals only with the reception function of RIA.

Direct provision provides asylum seekers with full board accommodation and certain ancillary services while their applications for asylum are being processed. It needs to be understood that there is no obligation placed upon asylum seekers to avail of the accommodation offered by RIA. Some choose to live with relatives or friends, or make use of their own resources to source accommodation.

In fulfilling its general accommodation responsibilities, the RIA does not 'lease' premises from commercial contractors. Rather it 'contracts-in' a comprehensive range of services, which include accommodation, catering, housekeeping, etc., for a fixed period of time

The Reception and Integration Agency (Reception) has responsibility for:

- Arranging accommodation and working with statutory and non-statutory agencies to co-ordinate the delivery of other services (including health, social services, welfare and education) for asylum seekers;
- Responding to conflict crisis situations which result in relatively large numbers of refugees arriving in Ireland within a short period of time.
- Supporting the voluntary return, on an agency basis for the Department of Social and Family Affairs, of destitute nationals of the twelve newest EU Member States who fail the Habitual Residency Condition attaching to Social Assistance Payments.

The Reception and Integration Agency (Reception):

- Contracts suitable commercial accommodation and sites throughout the State for accommodating asylum seekers;
- Contracts out the management (including arrangements for catering and security) of State owned accommodation centres;
- Monitors the operation of accommodation centres on an on-going basis;
- Accommodates asylum seekers at reception centres in Dublin for an initial period of 14 days for the purposes of orientation, information provision, voluntary health screening, needs assessment and assistance with the first stages of asylum applications;
- Disperses asylum seekers from reception centres in Dublin to accommodation centres around the country;
- Co-ordinates the provision of services (health and education) at accommodation centres;
- Provides training and support to proprietors and management of centres;
- Monitors the implementation of contracts for services;
- Engages with local support groups established to befriend and be of assistance to asylum seekers.

The key features of the Reception and Integration Agency's activities in 2010 are as follows:

- The number of asylum seekers accommodated by RIA on 31/12/10 was 6,107, a decrease of 6% from the same date in 2009*.

- A total of 46 centres throughout the country were under contract to RIA at the end of 2010. During the year, RIA closed 5 accommodation centres, 2 self-catering centres and 1 reception centre. In addition, the contracted capacity of a number of centres was reduced. In total, over the 12 month period, RIA reduced overall capacity by 739 bed spaces, or 9.5 % of contracted capacity.

- Overall, 112 inspections of centres contracted to RIA were carried out in 2010, 71 by RIA staff and 41 by the independent inspection company, QTS.

- 548 destitute nationals from the 12 States which joined with the EU in 2004 and 2007 were assisted by RIA to voluntarily return home in 2009.

- RIA spent €79.073 million in respect of the accommodation of asylum seekers in 2010, i.e. a decrease of 8.6% on the 2009 outturn.

- 93 Information Clinics were carried out in 2009**

- 27 Interagency Meetings were held.

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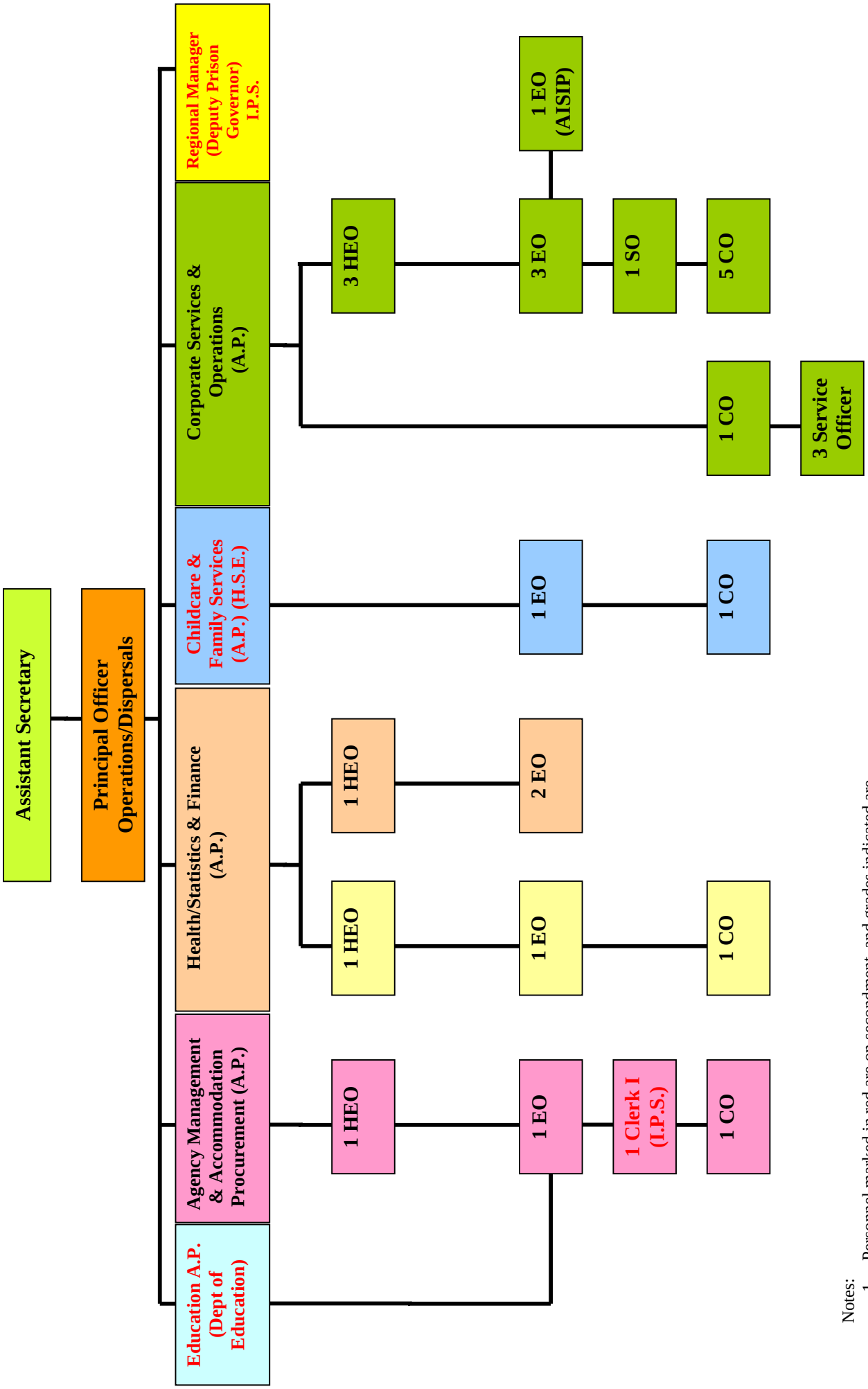
* Because our I.T. System is not co-ordinated with local centre records, ongoing movements between and in and out of centres are not recorded "live". Hence, there can be slight discrepancies between individual statistics as each are recorded through different means and in different contexts. This will be rectified in the forthcoming AISIP I.T. System.

** This figure does not include clinics for Mosney as there is a RIA staff member on site in Mosney every four weeks. Also, clinics are not conducted in the Dublin centres as RIA staff would be in many of the centres on at least a weekly basis.



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1. Personnel marked in red are on secondment, and grades indicated are Civil Service equivalents where required.
2. This table does not indicate current vacancies

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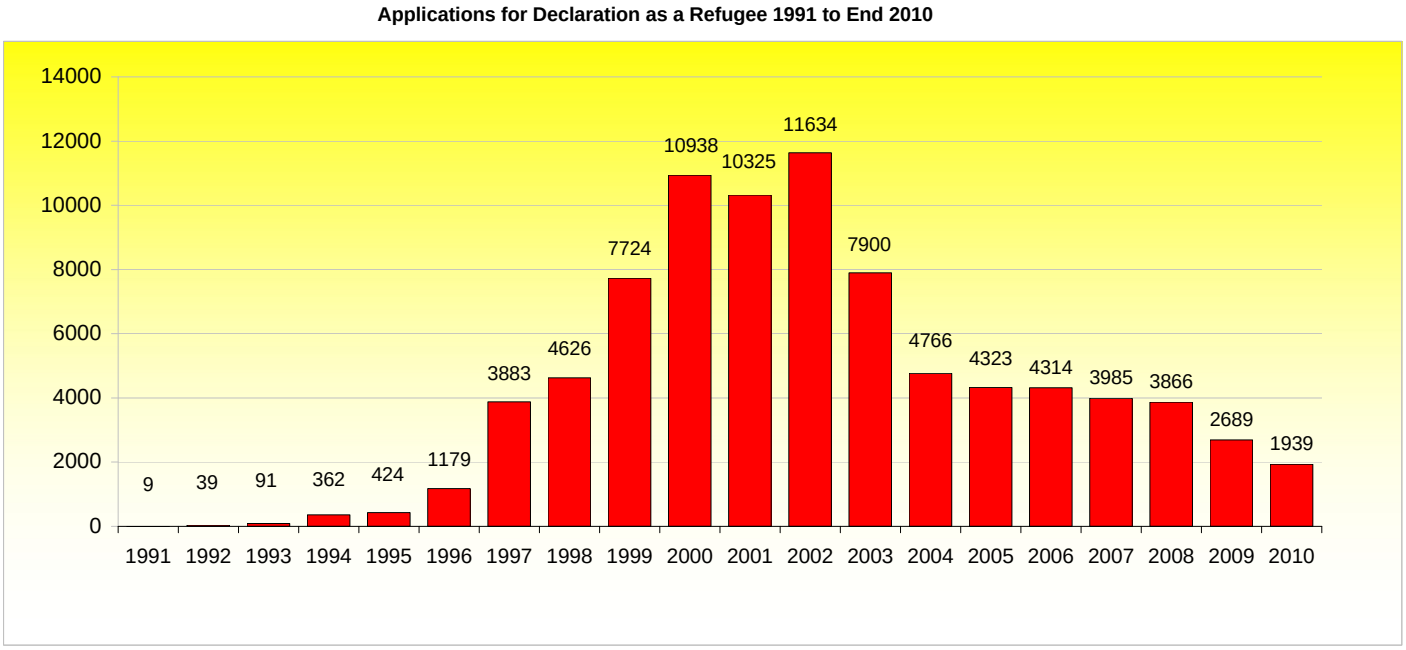
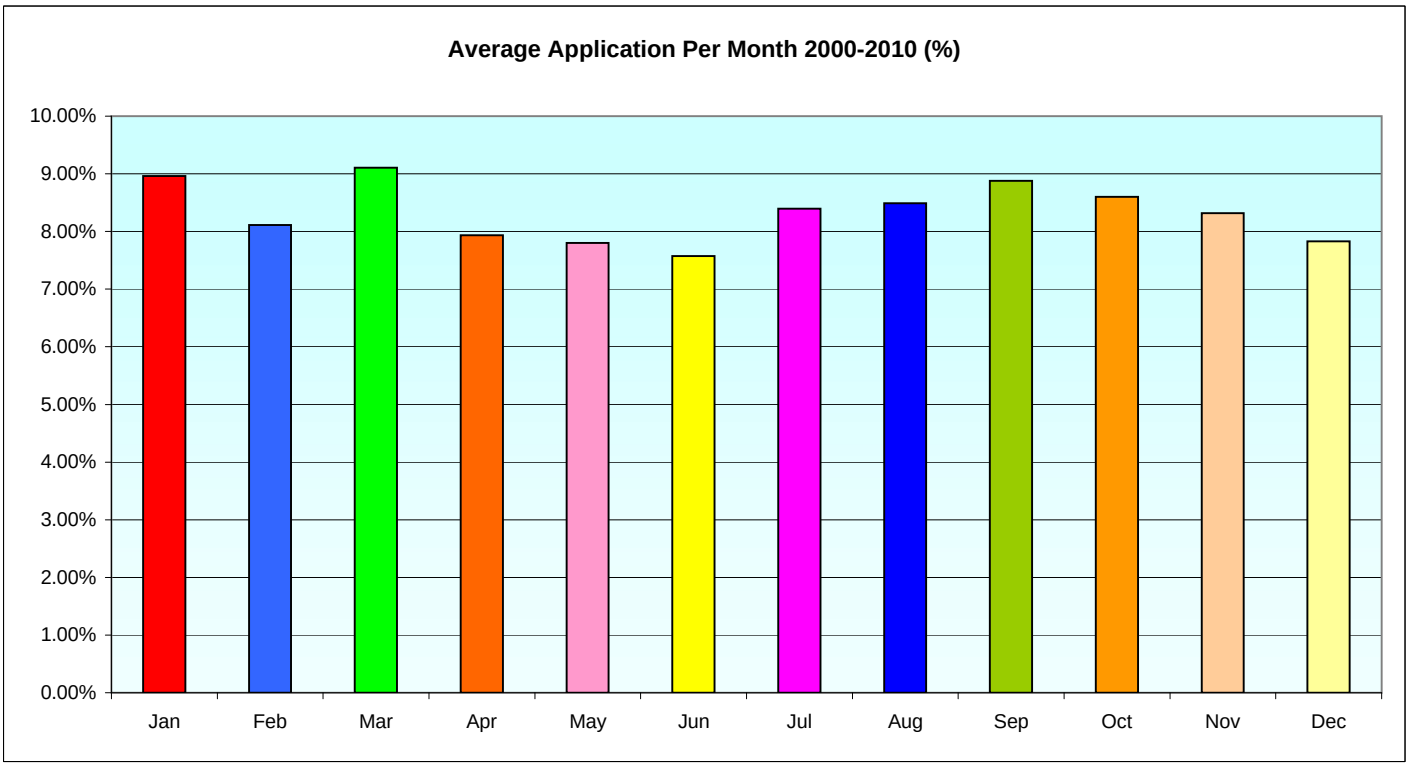
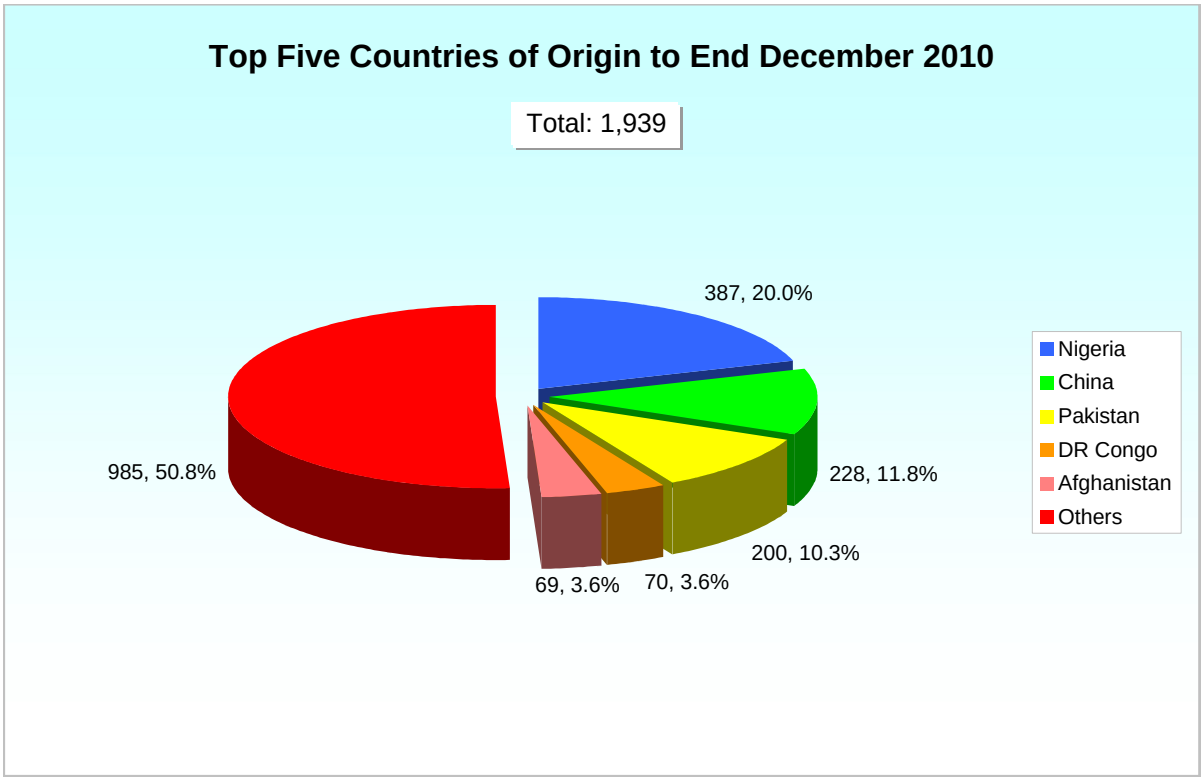


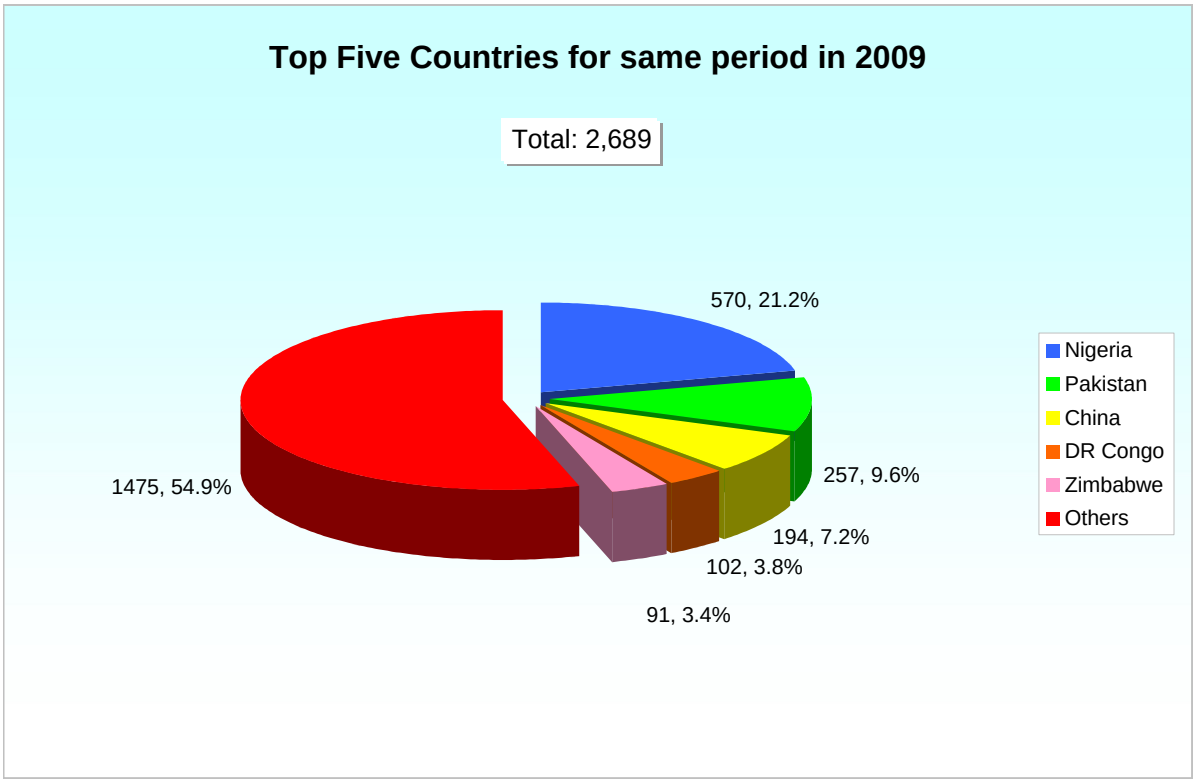
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2000	976	864	972	1036	802	677	773	919	963	1098	1096	762	10938
2001	840	706	763	741	838	882	961	983	855	892	904	960	10325
2002	838	763	932	888	795	869	1133	995	1199	1148	984	1090	11634
2003	979	947	892	667	604	661	646	655	611	496	395	347	7900
2004	392	363	501	377	403	324	371	401	466	329	409	430	4766
2005	393	377	489	320	322	315	325	348	372	320	346	396	4323
2006	400	313	438	282	412	278	313	332	422	394	415	310	4309
2007	385	333	347	277	318	316	358	294	318	356	343	340	3985
2008	329	296	299	299	301	329	339	333	360	357	324	300	3866
2009	254	270	270	241	229	244	218	226	197	203	176	161	2689
2010	189	176	167	161	179	154	162	174	155	143	154	125	1939



Applications for Declaration as a Refugee

Year to Date





Data provided by ORAC

Applications for Declaration as a Refugee
Cases Processed to Completion 2002 to Year End 2010

Cases Processed to Completion (ORAC) for 2002 to End December 2010	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
1) Positive Recommendations	894	345	430	455	397	376	295	97	24
2) Negative Recommendations Following Interview	5,965	5,461	4,906	3,952	3,249	2,621	2,942	2,612	1,309
3) Other Negative Recommendations & Cases Withdrawn	7,565	3,509	1,562	835	598	811	964	797	596
4) Determinations Made Under Dublin Convention / Dublin Regulation	191	237	243	439	540	368	385	402	263
Unprocessable	586	-911	-20	1	0	-24	-1	0	0
Amendment/Adjustment							-4		
Total	15,201	8,641	7,121	5,682	4,784	4,152	4,581	3,908	2,192

It should be noted that these recommendations refer to the year in which the recommendations were made and NOT to the year in which the applications were lodged.

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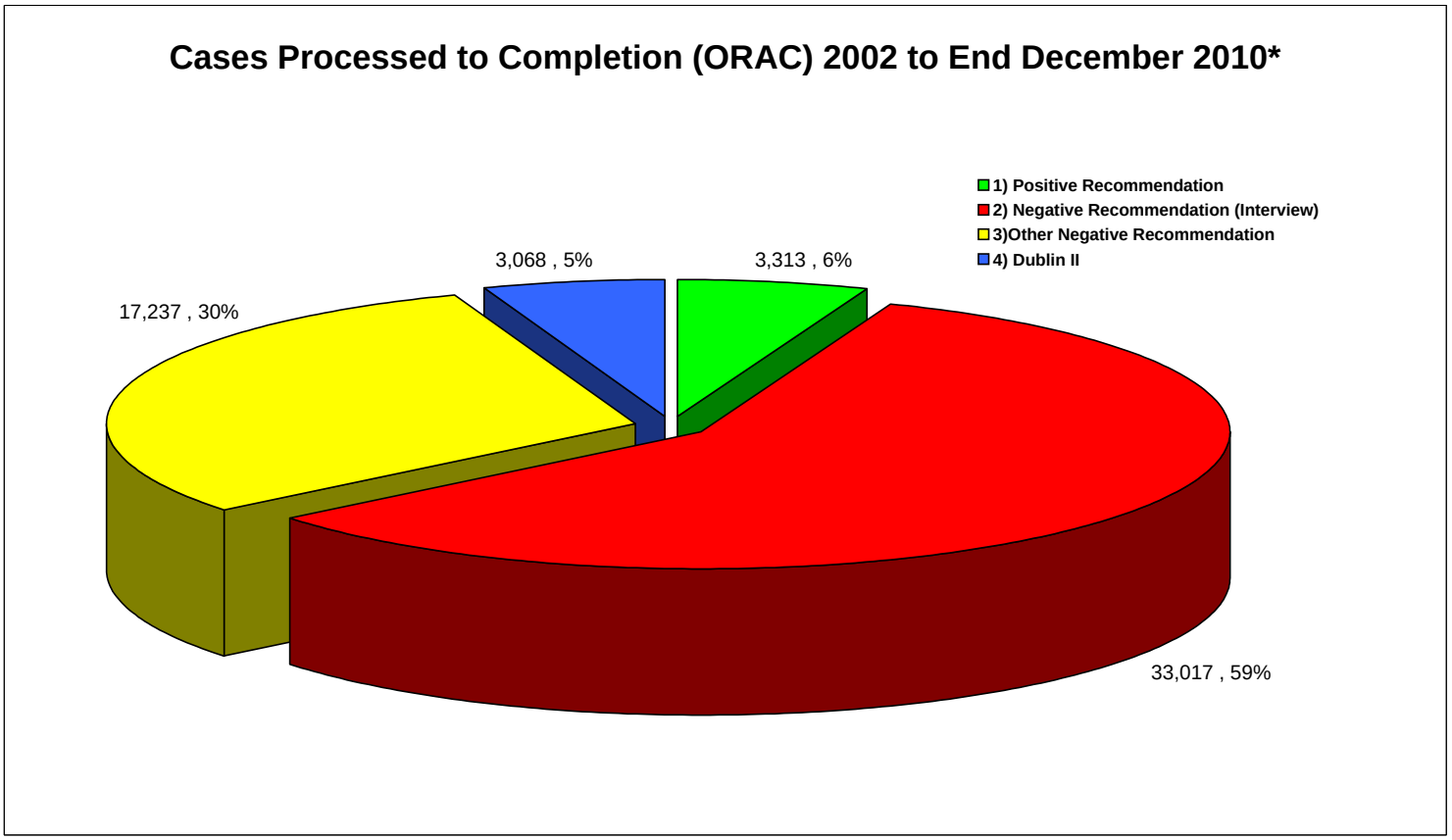
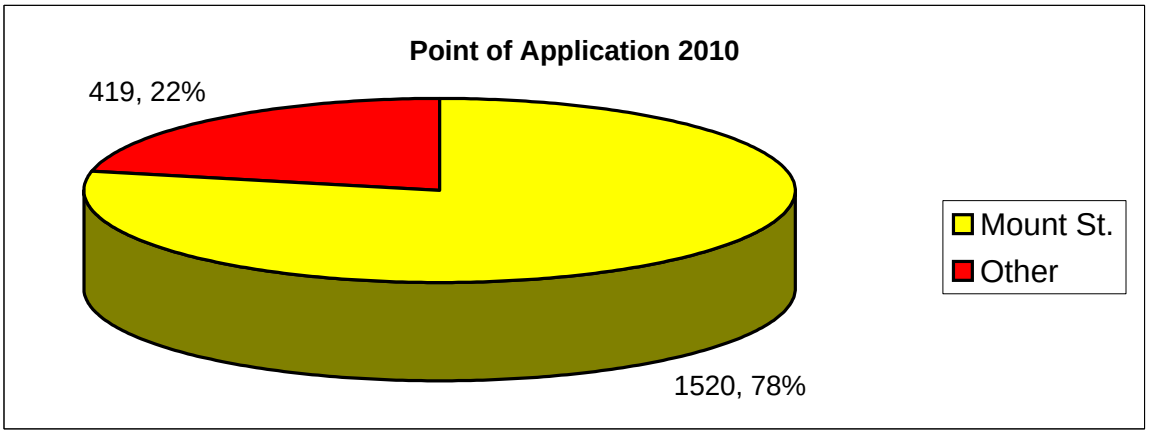
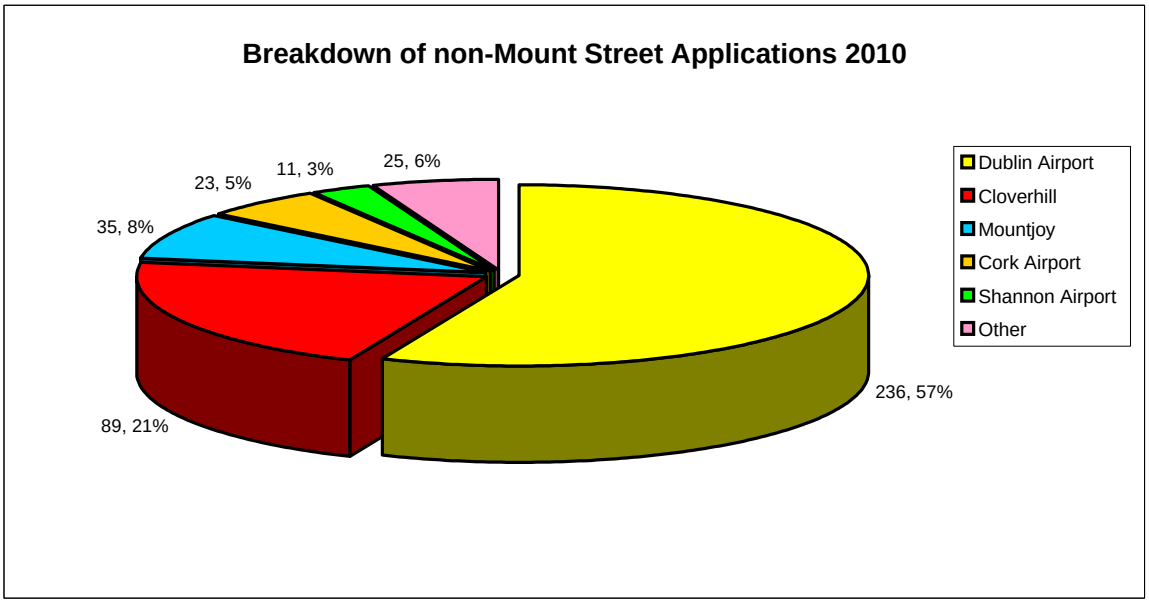
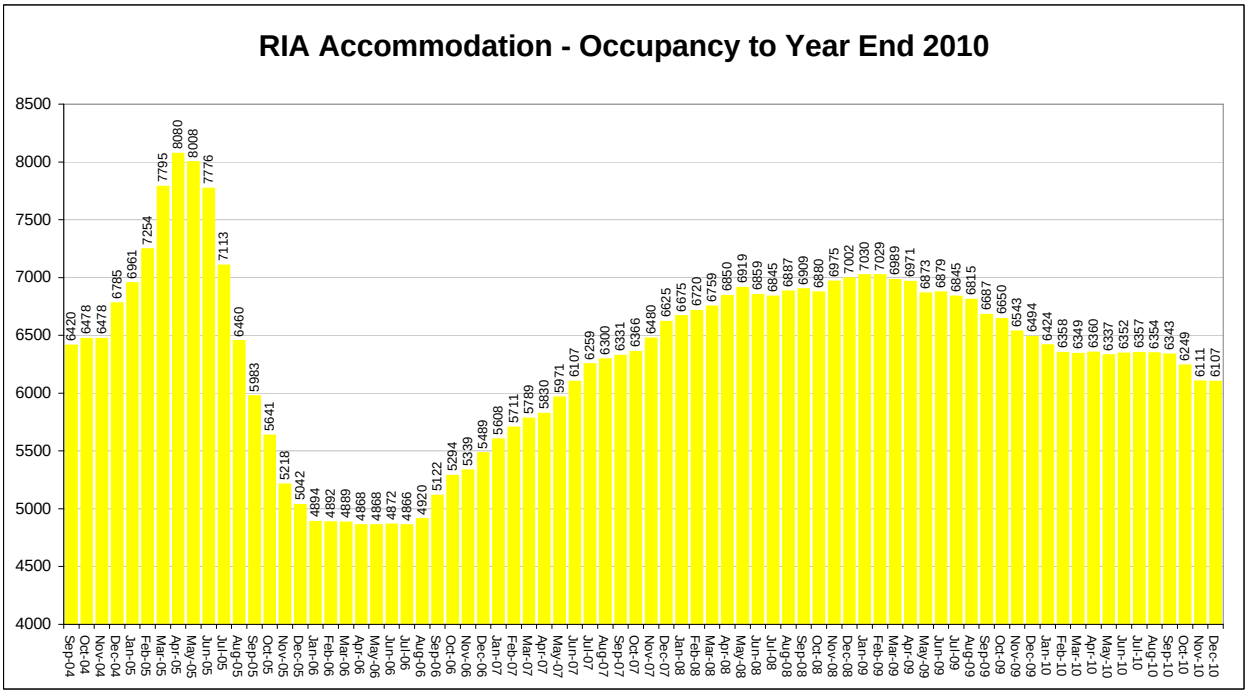


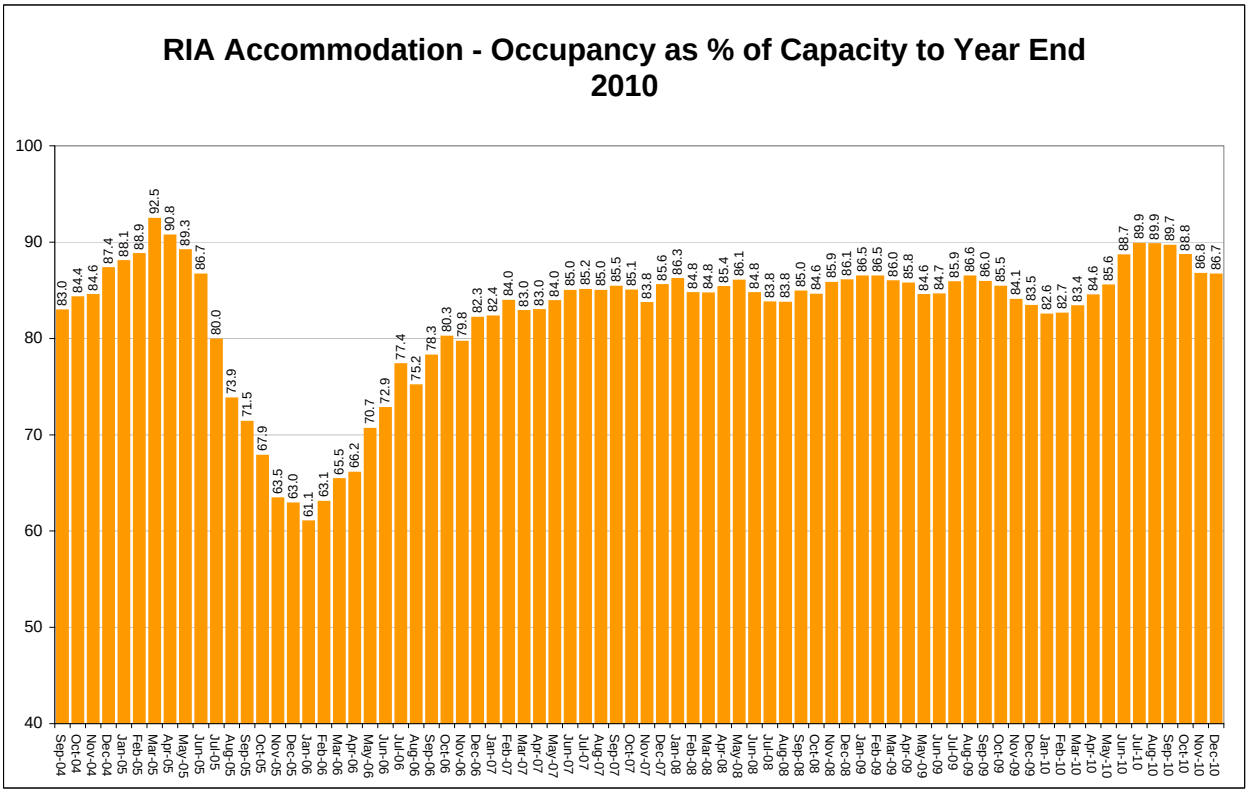
*Not including Unprocessable Cases or Adjustments

2010 Breakdown: Location of Applications for Declaration as a Refugee	
Refugee Application Centre, Mount St.	1520
Dublin Airport	236
Cloverhill	89
Mountjoy	35
Cork Airport	23
Shannon Airport	11
Dundalk	6
Castlerea	4
Dublin (Other)	4
Tralee	4
Cork (Other)	2
Knock Airport	2
Cork Prison	1
Limerick	1
Wheatfield	1
Total	**1939**









1) The above figures represent a 'snapshot' of data on the evening of last Sunday of each month. Occupancy figures can vary throughout the year because of the interaction of residents leaving (either through normal means or because of special schemes such as the Irish Born Child 2005 Scheme), residents arriving, temporary closures, medical restrictions on arrivals arising from outbreaks of chickenpox, etc.

2) It is desired that RIA maintain a 10% "cushion" between maximum capacity and actual occupancy, as a contingency to cope with unexpected spikes in numbers of asylum seekers coming in to the accommodation system, to allow for temporary or permanent closures of individual centres, and to help RIA to react to medical emergencies causing restrictions to some of our capacity.

Profile of RIA Residents Year End 2010

County	Centre	Address	Occ.	Gender	No.	%	Children of Schoolgoing Age*	Age Profile	No.	%	Nationality	No.	%
Clare	Knockalisheen	Meelick	225	M	151	67%	28	0-4	36	16.0%			
								5-12	24	10.7%	Nigeria	62	27.6%
								13-17	4	1.8%	Georgia	23	10.2%
								18-25	35	15.6%	Sudan	21	9.3%
								26-35	77	34.2%	Zimbabwe	17	7.6%
								36-45	41	18.2%	Afghanistan	14	6.2%
				F	74	33%		46-55	8	3.6%	Other	136	60.4%
								56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Cork	Ashbourne House	Glounthane	114	M	52	46%	29	0-4	34	29.8%			
								5-12	25	21.9%	Nigeria	37	32.5%
								13-17	4	3.5%	Pakistan	17	14.9%
								18-25	4	3.5%	Kosovo	9	7.9%
								26-35	31	27.2%	Morocco	6	5.3%
								36-45	15	13.2%	Albania	6	5.3%
				F	62	54%		46-55	0	0.0%	Sudan	6	5.3%
								56-65	0	0.0%	Other	33	28.9%
								66+	1	0.9%			
	Kinsale Rd.	Cork City	251	M	132	53%	25	0-4	41	16.3%			
								5-12	24	9.6%	Nigeria	62	24.7%
								13-17	1	0.4%	Ghana	17	6.8%
								18-25	45	17.9%	DR Congo	13	5.2%
								26-35	87	34.7%	Sudan	12	4.8%
								36-45	40	15.9%	Georgia	11	4.4%
				F	119	47%		46-55	9	3.6%	Afghanistan	11	4.4%
								56-65	1	0.4%	Other	99	39.4%
								66+	3	1.2%			
	Glenvera	Wellington Rd.	112	M	101	90%	1	0-4	1	0.9%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Nigeria	11	9.8%
								13-17	1	0.9%	Georgia	11	9.8%
								18-25	26	23.2%	DR Congo	10	8.9%
								26-35	56	50.0%	Afghanistan	10	8.9%
								36-45	21	18.8%	Sudan	9	8.0%
				F	11	10%		46-55	7	6.3%	Other	61	54.5%
								56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Millstreet	Millstreet	288	M	95	33%	34	0-4	117	40.6%			
								5-12	27	9.4%	Nigeria	132	45.8%
								13-17	7	2.4%	DR Congo	19	6.6%
								18-25	16	5.6%	Ghana	15	5.2%
								26-35	84	29.2%	Zimbabwe	15	5.2%
								36-45	31	10.8%	Somalia	14	4.9%
				F	193	67%		46-55	4	1.4%	Other	93	32.3%
								56-65	1	0.3%			
								66+	1	0.3%			
	An Poc Fada	Main St, Cobh	32	M	32	100%	0	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Somalia	7	21.9%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Pakistan	4	12.5%
								18-25	5	15.6%	Sudan	4	12.5%
								26-35	19	59.4%	Algeria	3	9.4%
								36-45	7	21.9%	Other	14	43.8%
				F	0	0%		46-55	0	0.0%			
								56-65	1	3.1%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Clonakilty Lodge	Clonakilty	107	M	47	44%	27	0-4	23	21.5%			
								5-12	20	18.7%	Nigeria	34	31.8%
								13-17	7	6.5%	Afghanistan	8	7.5%
								18-25	15	14.0%	Pakistan	7	6.5%
								26-35	20	18.7%	Somalia	7	6.5%
								36-45	15	14.0%	Burundi	6	5.6%
				F	60	56%		46-55	6	5.6%	Other	45	42.1%
								56-65	1	0.9%			
								66+	0	0.0%			

Profile of RIA Residents Year End 2010 (Cont'd)

County	Centre	Address	Occ.	Gender	No.	%	Children of Schoolgoing Age*	Age Profile	No.	%	Nationality	No.	%
Donegal	Cliffview	Donegal Town	47	M	47	100%	1	0-4	0	0.0%	Sudan	6	12.8%
								5-12	0	0.0%	Somalia	4	8.5%
								13-17	1	2.1%	Nigeria	4	8.5%
								18-25	16	34.0%	Afghanistan	4	8.5%
								26-35	19	40.4%	Other	29	61.7%
								36-45	8	17.0%			
				F	0	0%		46-55	3	6.4%			
								56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Dublin	Camden Street	Dublin 2	18	M	17	94%	0	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Algeria	2	11.1%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Georgia	2	11.1%
								18-25	1	5.6%	Iran	2	11.1%
								26-35	9	50.0%	Other	12	66.7%
								36-45	6	33.3%			
								46-55	1	5.6%			
				F	1	6%		56-65	1	5.6%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	The Towers	Clondalkin, D.22	193	M	72	37%	27	0-4	46	23.8%			
								5-12	21	10.9%	Nigeria	34	17.6%
								13-17	6	3.1%	Ghana	26	13.5%
								18-25	24	12.4%	DR Congo	14	7.3%
								26-35	51	26.4%	Uganda	13	6.7%
								36-45	33	17.1%	Iraq	11	5.7%
								46-55	8	4.1%	Other	95	49.2%
				F	121	63%		56-65	3	1.6%			
								66+	1	0.5%			
	Newlight House	St. Margarets, Finglas	18	M	9	50%	3	0-4	6	33.3%			
								5-12	2	11.1%	Nigeria	11	61.1%
								13-17	1	5.6%	Zimbabwe	5	27.8%
								18-25	0	0.0%	Other	2	11.1%
								26-35	6	33.3%			
								36-45	2	11.1%			
								46-55	1	5.6%			
				F	9	50%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Viking Lodge	Francis St., D.2	50	M	34	68%	0	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Somalia	6	12.0%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Nigeria	6	12.0%
								18-25	48	96.0%	Other	38	76.0%
								26-35	1	2.0%			
								36-45	1	2.0%			
								46-55	0	0.0%			
				F	16	32%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Georgian Court	Lr. Gardiner St., D.1	85	M	47	55%	1	0-4	16	18.8%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Nigeria	20	23.5%
								13-17	1	1.2%	Somalia	10	11.8%
								18-25	15	17.6%	Georgia	6	7.1%
								26-35	31	36.5%	South Africa	5	5.9%
								36-45	18	21.2%	Other	44	51.8%
								46-55	2	2.4%			
				F	38	45%		56-65	2	2.4%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Hatch Hall	Lr. Hatch St., D.2	137	M	89	65%	7	0-4	15	10.9%			
								5-12	6	4.4%	Nigeria	28	20.4%
								13-17	1	0.7%	DR Congo	14	10.2%
								18-25	26	19.0%	Pakistan	9	6.6%
								26-35	47	34.3%	Somalia	7	5.1%
								36-45	36	26.3%	Other	79	57.7%
								46-55	5	3.6%			
				F	48	35%		56-65	1	0.7%			
								66+	0	0.0%			

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County	Centre	Address	Occ.	Gender	No.	%	Children of Schoolgoing Age*	Age Profile	No.	%	Nationality	No.	%
Dublin (Cont'd)	Watergate House (Self Catering)	Usher's Qy, D.8	63	33	29	46%	14	0-4	21	33.3%			
								5-12	11	17.5%	Nigeria	29	46.0%
								13-17	3	4.8%	Mauritius	6	9.5%
								18-25	2	3.2%	South Africa	5	7.9%
								26-35	11	17.5%	Sudan	5	7.9%
								36-45	11	17.5%	Other	18	28.6%
								46-55	3	4.8%			
				F	34	54%		56-65	1	1.6%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Balseskin (Reception Centre)	St. Margarets, Finglas	251	M	144	57%	30	0-4	30	12.0%			
								5-12	18	7.2%	Nigeria	54	21.5%
								13-17	12	4.8%	Pakistan	38	15.1%
								18-25	63	25.1%	Afghanistan	15	6.0%
								26-35	80	31.9%	Cameroon	12	4.8%
								36-45	33	13.1%	South Africa	12	4.8%
								46-55	10	4.0%	Other	120	47.8%
				F	107	43%		56-65	5	2.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Galway	Eglinton	The Proms, Salthill	215	M	60	28%	32	0-4	56	26.0%			
								5-12	27	12.6%	Nigeria	72	33.5%
								13-17	5	2.3%	DR Congo	15	7.0%
								18-25	34	15.8%	Zimbabwe	14	6.5%
								26-35	56	26.0%	Cameroon	11	5.1%
								36-45	29	13.5%	Georgia	11	5.1%
								46-55	6	2.8%	Albania	11	5.1%
				F	155	72%		56-65	2	0.9%	Other	81	37.7%
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Great Western	Eyre Sq.	140	M	140	100.0%	1	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Nigeria	21	15.0%
								13-17	1	0.7%	Afghanistan	15	10.7%
								18-25	37	26.4%	Pakistan	12	8.6%
								26-35	69	49.3%	DR Congo	11	7.9%
								36-45	24	17.1%	Ghana	10	7.1%
								46-55	8	5.7%	Other	71	50.7%
				F	0	0.0%		56-65	1	0.7%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Dun Gibbons	Clifden	88	M	43	49%	23	0-4	28	31.8%			
								5-12	17	19.3%	Nigeria	24	27.3%
								13-17	6	6.8%	DR Congo	13	14.8%
								18-25	4	4.5%	Zimbabwe	11	12.5%
								26-35	14	15.9%	Pakistan	10	11.4%
								36-45	17	19.3%	Other	30	34.1%
								46-55	2	2.3%			
				F	45	51%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Lisbrook House	Headford Rd.	263	M	125	48%	28	0-4	60	22.8%			
								5-12	24	9.1%	Nigeria	88	33.5%
								13-17	4	1.5%	DR Congo	19	7.2%
								18-25	50	19.0%	Pakistan	10	3.8%
								26-35	72	27.4%	Georgia	10	3.8%
								36-45	41	15.6%	Sudan	9	3.4%
								46-55	10	3.8%	Other	127	48.3%
				F	138	52%		56-65	1	0.4%			
								66+	1	0.4%			
Kerry	Atlas Killarney	Killarney	81	M	27	33%	10	0-4	28	34.6%			
								5-12	10	12.3%	Ghana	22	27.2%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Nigeria	16	19.8%
								18-25	10	12.3%	South Africa	8	9.9%
								26-35	22	27.2%	DR Congo	6	7.4%
								36-45	10	12.3%	Other	29	35.8%
								46-55	1	1.2%			
				F	54	67%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			

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Kerry (Cont'd)	AtlasTralee	Tralee	85	M	85	100%	1	0-4	0	0.0%	Afghanistan	8	9.4%
								5-12	0	0.0%	Algeria	6	7.1%
								13-17	1	1.2%	Cameroon	6	7.1%
								18-25	16	18.8%	Pakistan	5	5.9%
								26-35	45	52.9%	Other	60	70.6%
								36-45	22	25.9%			
								46-55	1	1.2%			
				F	0	0%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Johnston Marina	Tralee	94	M	35	37%	19	0-4	28	29.8%	Nigeria	42	44.7%
								5-12	18	19.1%	Pakistan	9	9.6%
								13-17	1	1.1%	DR Congo	5	5.3%
								18-25	8	8.5%	Other	38	40.4%
								26-35	24	25.5%			
								36-45	11	11.7%			
				F	59	63%		46-55	4	4.3%			
								56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Linden House	Killarney	46	M	46	100%	1	0-4	0	0.0%	Afghanistan	6	13.0%
								5-12	0	0.0%	Iraq	3	6.5%
								13-17	1	2.2%	Somalia	3	6.5%
								18-25	14	30.4%	Sudan	3	6.5%
								26-35	21	45.7%	Other	31	67.4%
								36-45	9	19.6%			
								46-55	1	2.2%			
				F	0	0%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Park Lodge	Killarney	44	M	44	100%	0	0-4	0	0.0%	Afghanistan	5	11.4%
								5-12	0	0.0%	DR Congo	4	9.1%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Burundi	4	9.1%
								18-25	11	25.0%	Somalia	4	9.1%
								26-35	18	40.9%	Sudan	4	9.1%
								36-45	12	27.3%	Other	23	52.3%
								46-55	3	6.8%			
				F	0	0%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Kildare	EyrePowell	Newbridge	87	M	28	32%	10	0-4	18	20.7%	Nigeria	20	23.0%
								5-12	9	10.3%	Kenya	9	10.3%
								13-17	1	1.1%	Russia	8	9.2%
								18-25	7	8.0%	Pakistan	6	6.9%
								26-35	34	39.1%	DR Congo	6	6.9%
								36-45	9	10.3%	Other	38	43.7%
								46-55	8	9.2%			
				F	59	68%		56-65	1	1.1%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Laois	Hibernian	Abbeyleix	48	M	20	42%	8	0-4	15	31.3%	Nigeria	15	31.3%
								5-12	6	12.5%	Sudan	4	8.3%
								13-17	2	4.2%	Ghana	4	8.3%
								18-25	1	2.1%	Other	25	52.1%
								26-35	15	31.3%			
								36-45	6	12.5%			
								46-55	3	6.3%			
				F	28	58%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Montague	Portlaoise	200	M	74	37%	13	0-4	52	51.0%	Nigeria	60	30.0%
								5-12	12	10.0%	DR Congo	18	9.0%
								13-17	1	4.0%	Zimbabwe	16	8.0%
								18-25	36	21.0%	Uganda	12	6.0%
								26-35	56	42.0%	Cameroon	11	5.5%
								36-45	31	20.0%	Other	83	41.5%
								46-55	10	1.0%			
				F	126	63%		56-65	2	2.0%			
								66+	0	1.0%			

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County	Centre	Address	Occ.	Gender	No.	%	Children of Schoolgoing Age*	Age Profile	No.	%	Nationality	No.	%
Limerick	Hanratty's	St. Alphonsus St.	112	M	100	89%	0	0-4	0	0.0%	Pakistan	10	8.9%
								5-12	0	0.0%	Somalia	9	8.0%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Afghanistan	8	7.1%
								18-25	20	17.9%	DR Congo	6	5.4%
								26-35	54	48.2%	Other	79	70.5%
								36-45	27	24.1%			
				F	12	11%		46-55	11	9.8%			
								56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Westbourne	Dock Rd.	93	M	93	100%	0	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Afghanistan	11	11.8%
								13-17	0	0.0%	DR Congo	10	10.8%
								18-25	21	22.6%	Nepal	6	6.5%
								26-35	45	48.4%	Other	66	71.0%
								36-45	20	21.5%			
				F	0	0%		46-55	5	5.4%			
								56-65	2	2.2%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Mount Trenchard	Foynes, Co. Limerick	66	M	66	100%	1	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Sudan	10	15.2%
								13-17	1	1.5%	DR Congo	8	12.1%
								18-25	9	13.6%	Algeria	4	6.1%
								26-35	36	54.5%	Angola	4	6.1%
								36-45	15	22.7%	Somalia	4	6.1%
				F	0	0%		46-55	5	7.6%	Other	36	54.5%
								56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Longford	Richmond Court	Richmond St.	84	M	75	89%	0	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Cameroon	9	10.7%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Sudan	7	8.3%
								18-25	15	17.9%	Iran	6	7.1%
								26-35	41	48.8%	DR Congo	6	7.1%
								36-45	21	25.0%	Other	56	66.7%
				F	9	11%		46-55	6	7.1%			
								56-65	1	1.2%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Louth	Carroll Village	Dundalk	190	M	104	55%	46	0-4	28	14.7%			
								5-12	34	17.9%	Nigeria	28	14.7%
								13-17	12	6.3%	DR Congo	26	13.7%
								18-25	18	9.5%	Somalia	17	8.9%
								26-35	39	20.5%	Cameroon	15	7.9%
								36-45	42	22.1%	Other	104	54.7%
				F	86	45%		46-55	17	8.9%			
								56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Mayo	The Old Convent	Ballyhaunis	293	M	126	43%	74	0-4	85	29.0%			
								5-12	57	19.5%	Nigeria	66	22.5%
								13-17	17	5.8%	Pakistan	26	8.9%
								18-25	20	6.8%	DR Congo	18	6.1%
								26-35	71	24.2%	South Africa	17	5.8%
								36-45	29	9.9%	Somalia	16	5.5%
				F	167	57%		46-55	9	3.1%	Other	150	51.2%
								56-65	3	1.0%			
								66+	2	0.7%			
Meath	Mosney	Mosney	639	M	268	42%	144	0-4	210	32.9%			
								5-12	120	18.8%	Nigeria	208	32.6%
								13-17	24	3.8%	DR Congo	47	7.4%
								18-25	42	6.6%	Somalia	38	5.9%
								26-35	127	19.9%	Ghana	31	4.9%
								36-45	86	13.5%	South Africa	29	4.5%
				F	371	58%		46-55	17	2.7%	Other	286	44.8%
								56-65	10	1.6%			
								66+	3	0.5%			

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Monaghan	St. Patricks	Monaghan Town	175	M	71	41%	20	0-4	60	34.3%			
								5-12	20	11.4%	Nigeria	63	36.0%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Pakistan	12	6.9%
								18-25	12	6.9%	Ghana	11	6.3%
								26-35	52	29.7%	Moldova	9	5.1%
								36-45	23	13.1%	DR Congo	9	5.1%
								46-55	5	2.9%	Sudan	9	5.1%
				F	104	59%		56-65	3	1.7%	Other	62	35.4%
								66+	0	0.0%			
Sligo	Globe House	Chapel Hill	230	M	139	60%	27	0-4	35	15.2%			
								5-12	25	10.9%	Nigeria	59	25.7%
								13-17	2	0.9%	DR Congo	16	7.0%
								18-25	37	16.1%	Pakistan	13	5.7%
								26-35	77	33.5%	Afghanistan	12	5.2%
								36-45	42	18.3%	Georgia	11	4.8%
								46-55	11	4.8%	Other	119	51.7%
				F	91	40%		56-65	1	0.4%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Tipperary South	Bridgewater House	Carrick-On-Suir	102	M	41	40%	19	0-4	32	31.4%			
								5-12	11	10.8%	Nigeria	32	31.4%
								13-17	8	7.8%	Pakistan	17	16.7%
								18-25	9	8.8%	DR Congo	6	5.9%
								26-35	26	25.5%	Georgia	5	4.9%
								36-45	12	11.8%	Kenya	5	4.9%
								46-55	4	3.9%	Other	37	36.3%
				F	61	60%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
Waterford	Atlantic House	Tramore	79	M	34	43%	10	0-4	13	16.5%			
								5-12	6	7.6%	Nigeria	15	19.0%
								13-17	4	5.1%	DR Congo	11	13.9%
								18-25	16	20.3%	Sudan	7	8.9%
								26-35	21	26.6%	Cameroon	7	8.9%
								36-45	12	15.2%	Other	39	49.4%
								46-55	4	5.1%			
				F	45	57%		56-65	3	3.8%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Ocean View	Tramore	84	M	36	43%	19	0-4	27	32.1%			
								5-12	18	21.4%	Nigeria	53	63.1%
								13-17	1	1.2%	Israel	7	8.3%
								18-25	7	8.3%	DR Congo	6	7.1%
								26-35	17	20.2%	Cameroon	4	4.8%
								36-45	13	15.5%	Other	14	16.7%
								46-55	1	1.2%			
				F	48	57%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	The Viking House	Coffee House Lane	67	M	67	100%	0	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Cameroon	8	11.9%
								13-17	0	0.0%	DR Congo	6	9.0%
								18-25	16	23.9%	Nigeria	5	7.5%
								26-35	34	50.7%	Afghanistan	5	7.5%
								36-45	12	17.9%	Other	43	64.2%
								46-55	5	7.5%			
				F	0	0%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			
	Birchwood House	Ballytruckle Rd.	153	M	66	43%	12	0-4	38	24.8%			
								5-12	12	7.8%	Nigeria	40	26.1%
								13-17	0	0.0%	DR Congo	22	14.4%
								18-25	29	19.0%	Somalia	12	7.8%
								26-35	48	31.4%	Zimbabwe	10	6.5%
								36-45	22	14.4%	Pakistan	8	5.2%
								46-55	4	2.6%	Other	61	39.9%
				F	87	57%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			

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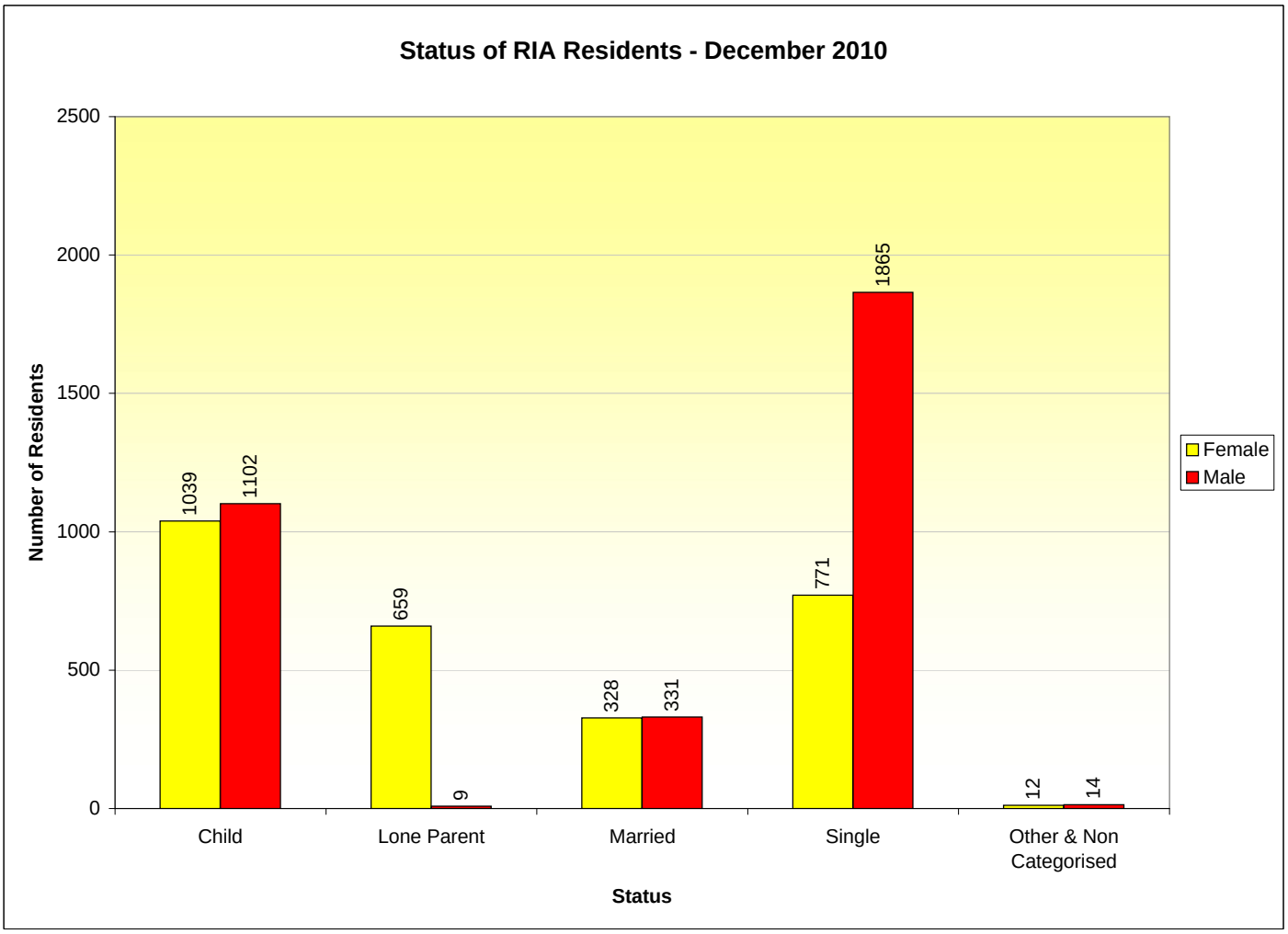
County	Centre	Address	Occ.	Gender	No.	%	Children of Schoolgoing Age*	Age Profile	No.	%	Nationality	No.	%
Westmeath	Athlone	Athlone	343	M	153	45%	96	0-4	104	30.3%			
								5-12	75	21.9%	Nigeria	124	36.2%
								13-17	21	6.1%	Pakistan	68	19.8%
								18-25	17	5.0%	Israel	20	5.8%
								26-35	63	18.4%	DR Congo	16	4.7%
								36-45	57	16.6%	Georgia	12	3.5%
								46-55	4	1.2%	Ghana	12	3.5%
				F	190	55%		56-65	2	0.6%	Other	91	26.5%
								66+	0	0.0%			
Wexford	The Old Rectory	New Ross	52	M	52	100%	0	0-4	0	0.0%			
								5-12	0	0.0%	Nigeria	6	11.5%
								13-17	0	0.0%	Somalia	5	9.6%
								18-25	7	13.5%	Sudan	5	9.6%
								26-35	26	50.0%	Other	36	69.2%
								36-45	18	34.6%			
								46-55	1	1.9%			
				F	0	0%		56-65	0	0.0%			
								66+	0	0.0%			

*Education in Ireland is compulsory from age 6 to 16 or until students have completed three years of second level (post-primary) education, under the Education (Welfare) Act, 2000. In order to more accurately reflect the school attendance patterns in Ireland, for the purposes of this exercise, all residents of 5-17 years of age have been included.

All of the above data is based on 'Live in System' figures



The figures above are taken from the RIA database. At the end of December 2010 there were 6149 persons "live on system". 'Other' includes 'Divorced', 'Separated' & 'Widowed'. 16 residents had not yet had their status recorded. There are 19 cases where gender is not yet recorded.

An individual's initial status is based on information given, and an assessment, following an application for declaration as a refugee with ORAC. Residents' status are subject to change and clarification after their entry into the Direct Provision system.

RIA Accommodation as at End December 2010

ACCOMMODATION CENTRES

	COUNTY	LOCATION	ADDRESS	CURRENT CONTRACTED CAPACITY	CURRENT OCCUPANCY	CURRENT VACANCIES	UNAVAILABLE DUE TO ILLNESS	OTHER UNAVAILABLE	RESIDENT TYPE	ACC. TYPE
1	Clare	Knockalisheen (*)	Meelick	275	225	12		38	F/S	SYS
2	Cork	Ashbourne Hse	Glounthaune	115	114	0		1	F/SM	HOT
3		Kinsale Road (*)	Cork City	300	260	40		0	F/S	SYS
4		Glenvera	Wellington Road	128	109	19		0	C/S	HOT
5		Millstreet	Millstreet	300	285	15		0	F/SF	FC/NH
6		An Poc Fada	Main Street, Cobh	40	34	6		0	SM	HOS
7		Clonakilty Lodge	Clonakilty, Co. Cork	110	101	7		2	F/C/S	GT
8	Donegal	Cliffview	Donegal Town	61	47	12		2	SM	HOS
9	Dublin	24 Camden Street	Camden Street, Dublin 2	19	10	6		3	S	HOS
10		70 Lower Camden Street	70 Lower Camden Street	15	5	10		0	S/F	HOS
11		Newlight House	St. Margaret's, Finglas	30	20	4		6	F	GT
12		Viking Lodge	Francis Street, Dublin 8	70	47	23		0	S	HOT
13		The Towers	The Ninth Lock, Clondalkin	250	215	30		5	C/F/SF	HOT
14		Georgian Court	77-79 Lower Gardiner St. Dublin 2	110	87	15		8	C/S/F	GT
15		Hatch Hall	28 Lower Hatch Street, Dublin 1	210	148	50		12	C/S/F	HOS
16	Galway	Dun Gibbons	Clifden, Co. Galway	96	88	8		0	F/SF	HOS
17		Eglinton	The Proms, Salthill	235	222	10		3	F/SF	HOT
18		Great Western House	Eyre Square	172	141	23		8	SM	HOS
19		Lisbrook House	Headford Road, Galway	315	270	18		27	F/C/S	HOT
20	Kerry	Atlas House (Killarney)	Killarney	90	76	12		2	F/S	HOT
21		Atlas House (Tralee)	Tralee	100	82	18		0	SM	HOS
22		Johnston Marina	Tralee	100	95	5		0	F	HOT
23		Linden House	Killarney	55	38	16		1	SM	GT
24		Park Lodge	Killarney	55	43	12		0	SM	HOT
25	Kildare	Eyrepowell	Newbridge	100	98	2		0	F/S	HOT
26	Laois	Hibernian	Main Street, Abbeyleix	55	46	9		0	F/C	HOT
27		Montague	Emo, Portlaoise	200	196	4		0	C/F/S	HOT
28	Limerick	Hanratty's	Glentworth Street, Limerick	118	110	8		0	S	HOS
29		Westbourne	Dock Road	105	96	4		5	S	HOS
30		Mount Trenchard	Foynes, Co. Limerick	85	69	16		0	SM	FC/NH
31	Longford	Richmond Court	Richmond Street	94	83	11		0	S	HOT
32	Mayo	The Old Convent	Ballyhaunis	329	286	43		0	F/C/SM	FC/NH
33	Meath	Mosney	Mosney	650	626	24		0	F/C/SF	HC
34	Monaghan	St. Patricks	Monaghan	200	170	30		0	F/SM	FC/NH
35	Sligo	Globe House	Chapel Hill	255	227	14		14	F/C/S	HOS
36	Tipp. South	Bridgewater House	Carrick-On-Suir	120	108	12		0	F/C/SM	FC/NH
37	Waterford	Atlantic House	Tramore, Co. Waterford	90	79	8		3	F/S	GT
38		Ocean View	Tramore, Co. Waterford	85	85	0		0	F/S	GT
39		Birchwood	Ballytruckle Road	160	140	16		4	F/S	FC/NH
40		Viking House	Coffee House Lane	90	61	29		0	SM	HOS
41	Westmeath	Athlone	Athlone	350	323	27		0	F	MOB
42	Wexford	Old Rectory House	New Ross	58	50	8		0	SM	HOT
				6395	**5615**	**636**	**0**	**144**		
					87.80%	**9.95%**	**0.00%**	**2.25%**		

SELF CATERING CENTRES

	COUNTY	LOCATION	ADDRESS	CURRENT CONTRACTED CAPACITY	CURRENT OCCUPANCY	CURRENT VACANCIES	UNAVAILABLE DUE TO ILLNESS	OTHER UNAVAILABLE	RESIDENT TYPE	ACC. TYPE
43	Dublin	Watergate House	11-14 Usher's Quay, Dublin 8	76	60	5		11	S/F	APT
44	Louth	Carroll Village	Dundalk	200	180	20		0	F/SM	APT
				276	**240**	**25**	**0**	**11**		
					86.96%	**9.06%**	**0.00%**	**3.99%**		

RECEPTION CENTRE

	COUNTY	LOCATION	ADDRESS	CURRENT CONTRACTED CAPACITY	CURRENT OCCUPANCY	CURRENT VACANCIES	UNAVAILABLE DUE TO ILLNESS	OTHER UNAVAILABLE	RESIDENT TYPE	ACC. TYPE
45	Dublin	Balseskin	St. Margarets, Finglas, Dublin 11	369	252	117		0	S/C/F	REC
				369	**252**	**117**	**0**	**0**		
					68.29%	**31.71%**	**0.00%**	**0.00%**		

	CURRENT CONTRACTED CAPACITY	CURRENT OCCUPANCY	CURRENT VACANCIES	UNAVAILABLE DUE TO ILLNESS	OTHER UNAVAILABLE
Totals	7040	6107	778	0	155
		86.75%	11.05%	0.00%	2.20%

AC12 CENTRE

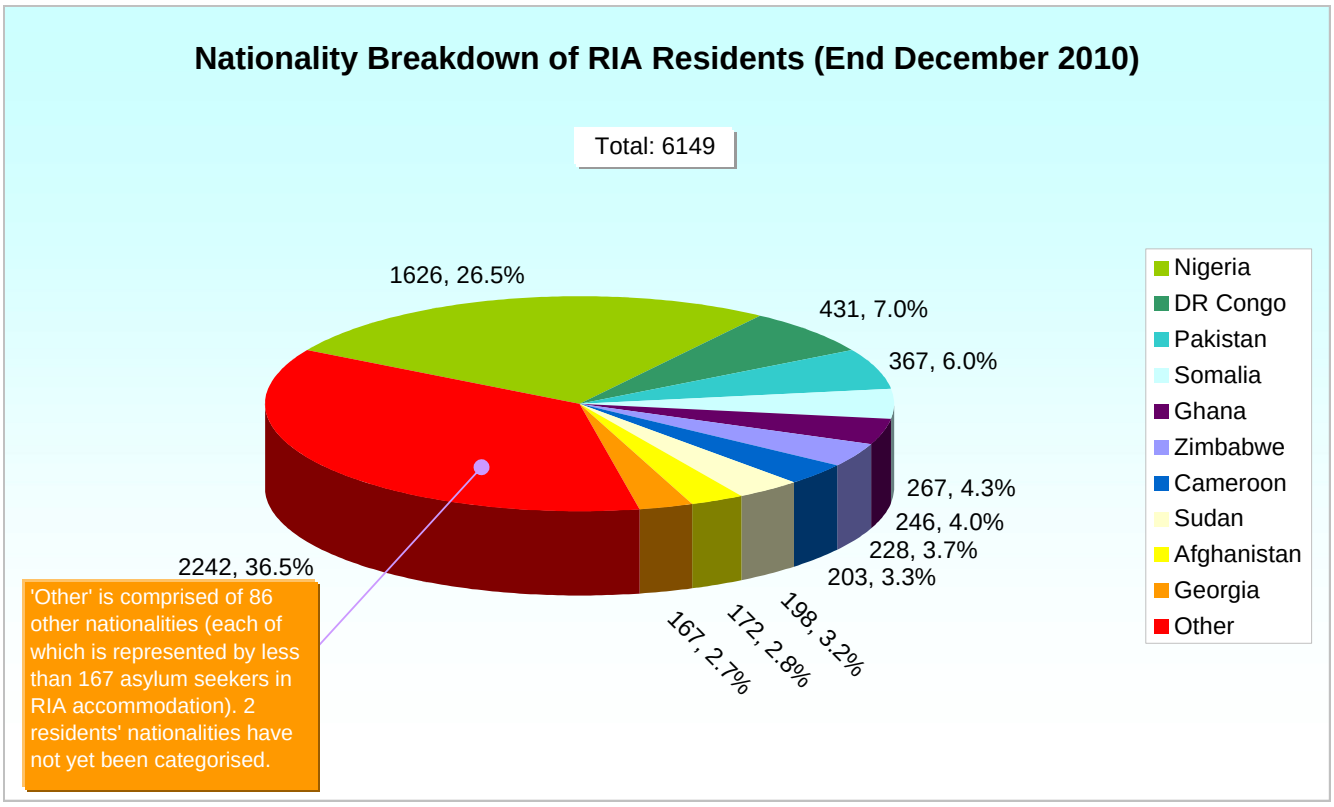
	COUNTY	LOCATION	ADDRESS	CURRENT CONTRACTED CAPACITY	CURRENT OCCUPANCY	CURRENT VACANCIES	UNAVAILABLE DUE TO ILLNESS	OTHER UNAVAILABLE	RESIDENT TYPE	ACC. TYPE
46	Dublin	Horse & Carriage	Aungier Street, Dublin 2	25	7	18		0	S/F	GT

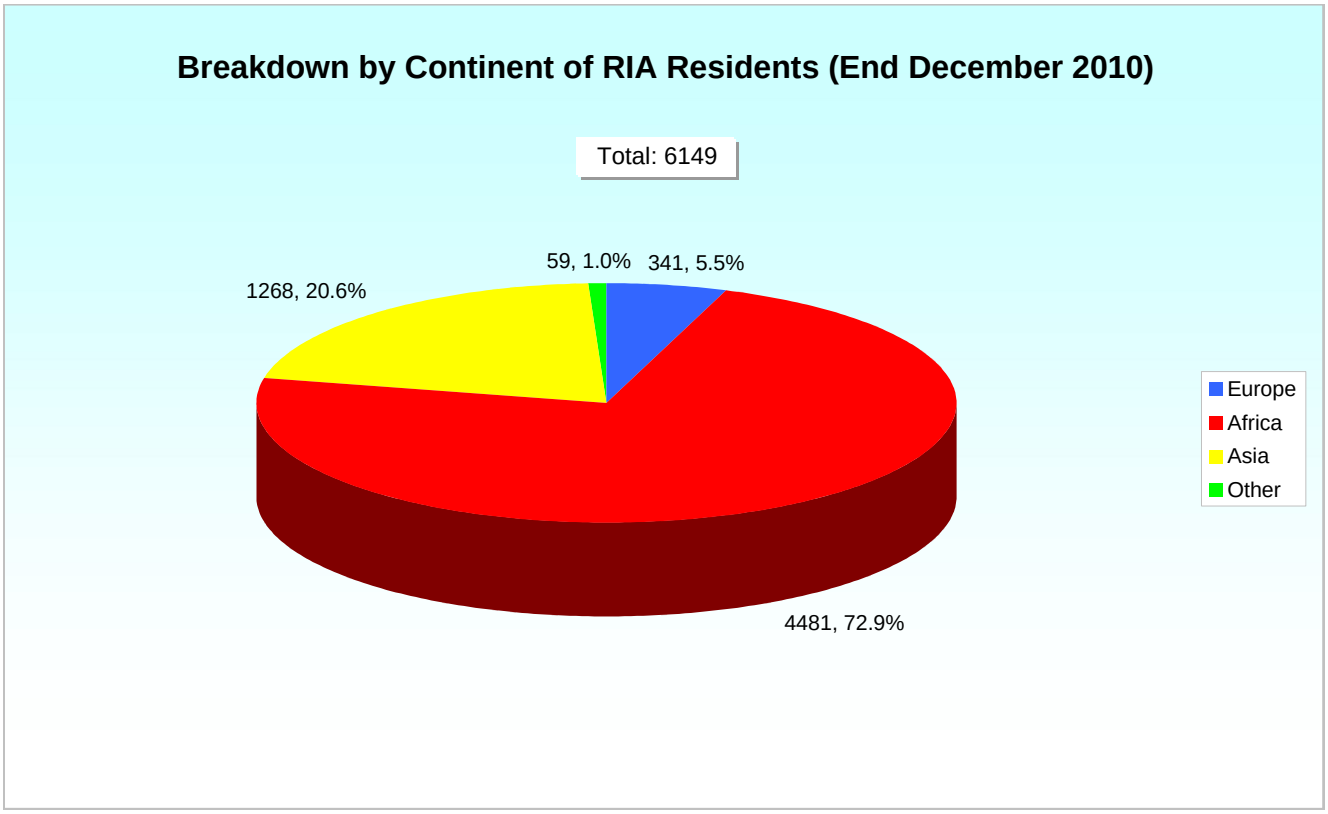
*** Accommodation Centres that have Emergency Accommodation spaces for Immigration / Health Board (20 Knockalisheen / 10 Kinsale Road)**
**** Unavailable beds due to Chicken Pox Outbreak/Other Illness**

S Singles; C Couples; F Families; SM Single Males; SF Single Females

GT: Guest House, HOS: Hostel, SYS: System Built, HOT: Hotel, MOB: Mobile Home Site, HC: Holiday Centre, FC/NH: Former College / Nursing Home, APT: Self Catering Apartment, REC: Reception Centre

1) The above figures represent a 'snapshot' of each centre on the evening of the date indicated. While capacity figures remain constant, occupancy figures can vary throughout the year because of the interaction of residents leaving (either through normal means or because of special schemes such as the Irish Born Child 2005 Scheme), residents arriving, temporary closures, medical restrictions on arrivals arising from outbreaks of chickenpox, and so on.
2) For contingency reasons, RIA maintain a high reserve capacity in some Dublin centres, which act as 'overnight' centres cater for asylum seekers attending ORAC interviews, medical appointments etc., and otherwise give a capability to react to unforseen circumstances and spikes in numbers of asylum seekers coming in to the accommodation system.
3) The Reception and Integration Agency has a role in assisting with the voluntary return of destitute citizens of the twelve 2004 & 2007 EU Acession States. Those accommodated by RIA prior to departure may reside for a short period in our 'AC12' Centre, Horse & Carriage in Aungier Street, Dublin. Residents there are not Asylum Seekers in the Direct Provision system, and so are not included in the RIA Occupancy Statistics above.





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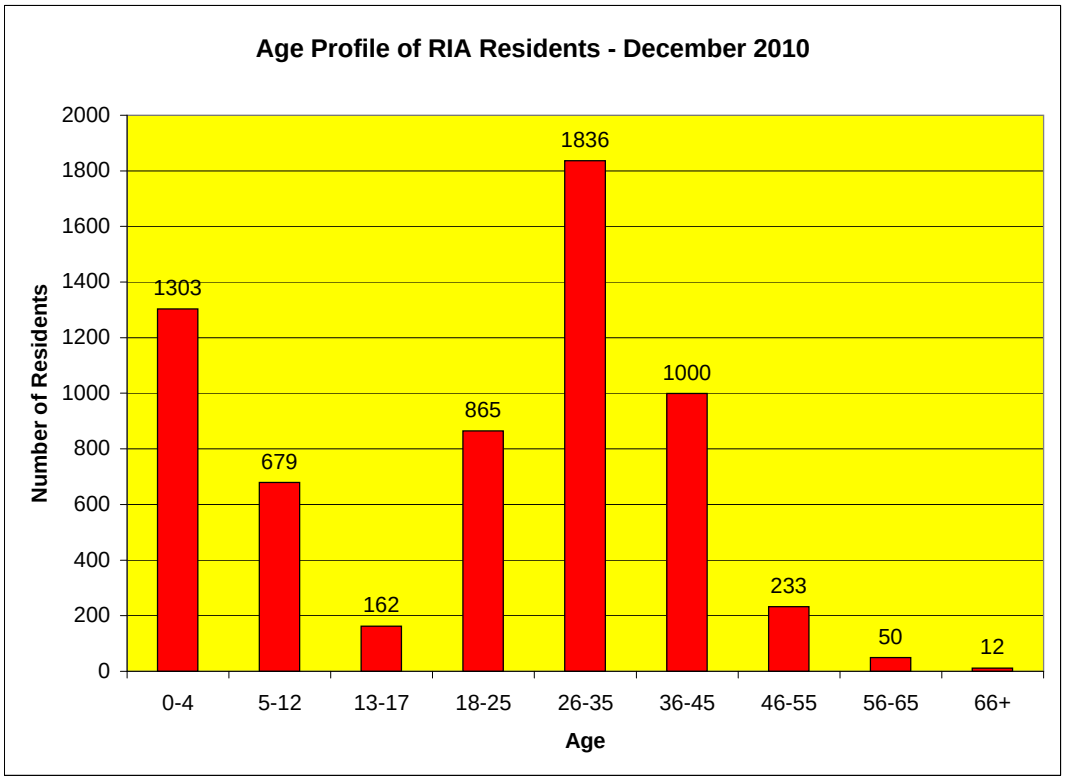

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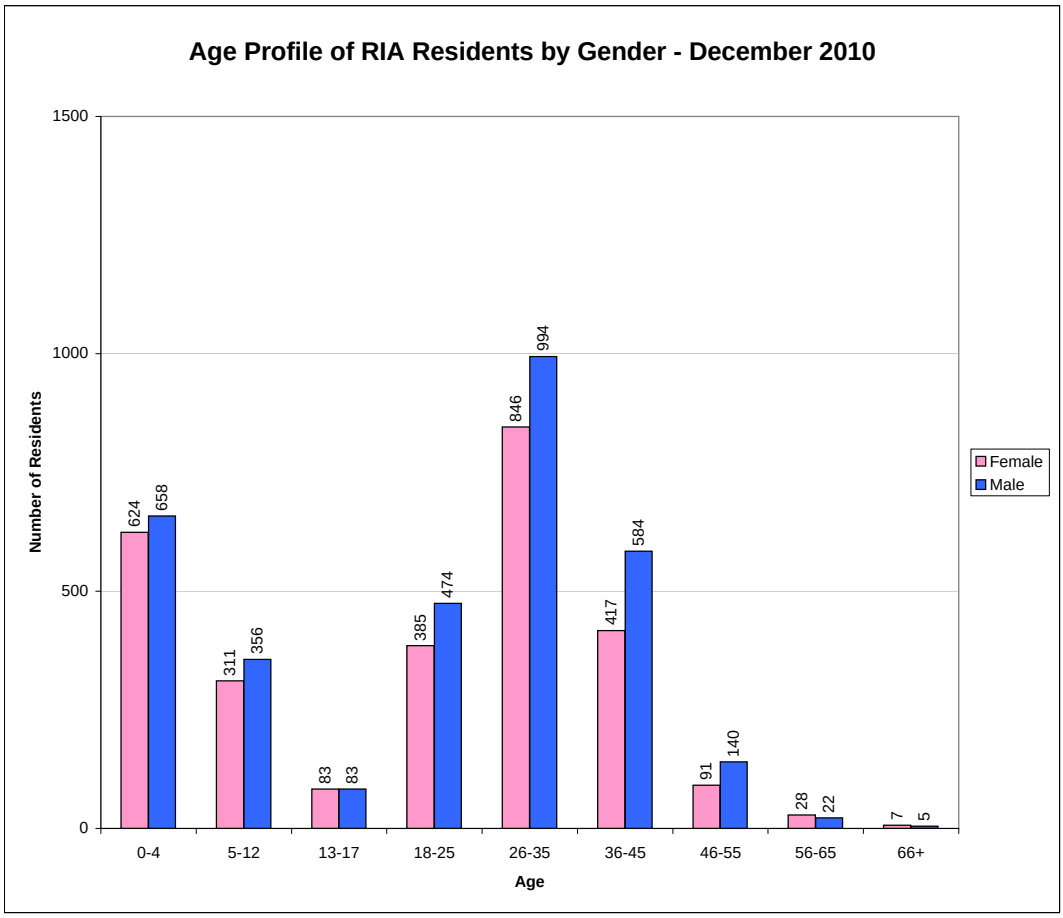

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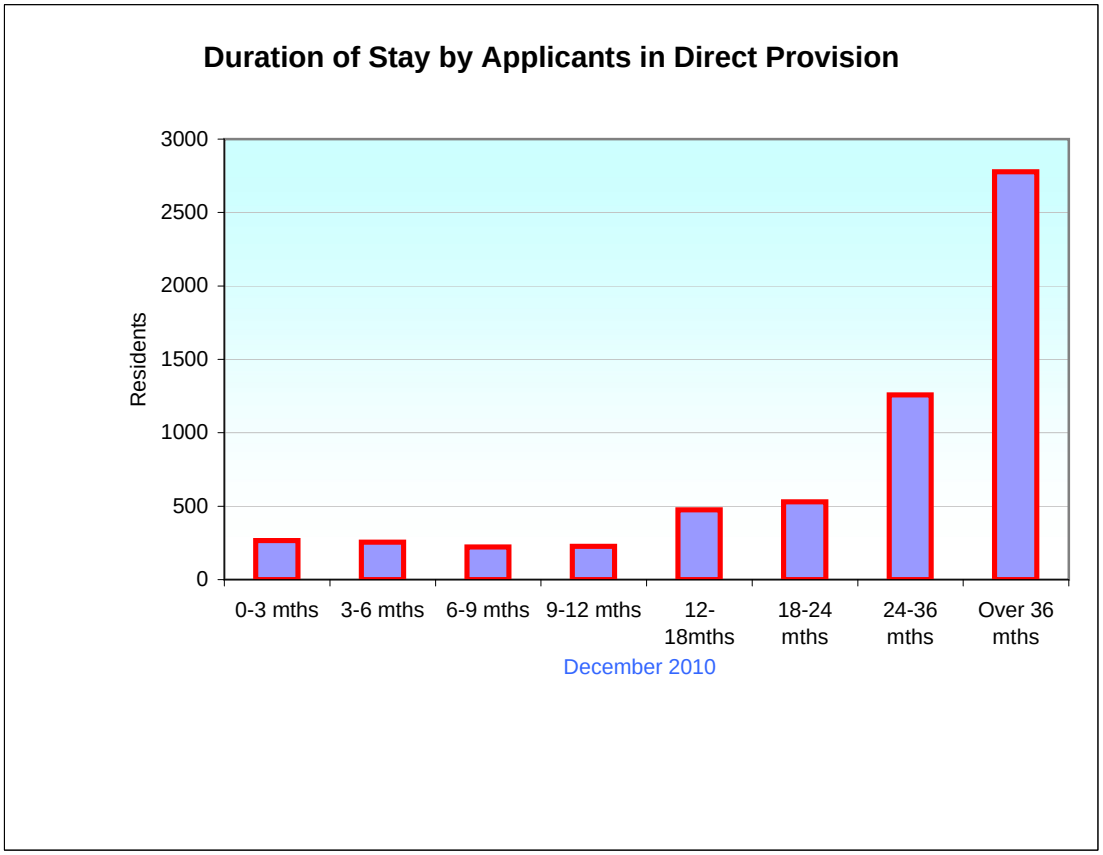
There are 3 females and 3 males where date of birth is not yet available. There are 19 cases where gender is not yet recorded.

Duration of Stay by Applicants in Direct Provision							
0-3 mths	3-6 mths	6-9 mths	9-12 mths	12-18mths	18-24 mths	24-36 mths	Over 36 mths
266	256	222	227	476	529	1258	2778



Based on 'Live In System Figures'. In 124 cases, duration of stay is not yet categorized.

RIA Accommodation By Type Year End 2010, Centres Opened & Closed 2010

Property Type	No. of such properties	Explanation	Total Capacity
System Built Private	1	Pre-fabricated structures, privately owned and run on contract to RIA i.e. Balseskin Reception Centre	369
System Built State Owned	2	Pre-fabricated structures owned by the State but run by private firm on contract to RIA i.e. Kinsale Road, Cork and Knockalisheen, Co. Clare	575
Mobile Homes State Owned	1	Mobile homes on state owned site in Athlone run by private firm on contract to RIA	350
Hostel / Hotel - Private	35	Privately owned hostels / hotels and run by private firms on contract to RIA	5,125
Hostel / Hotel - State owned	4	Hostels / hotels purchased by State and run by private firms on contract to RIA	345
AC12 Centre	1	Privately owned hostel/hotel run by private firms on contract to RIA. Residents are not Asylum Seekers in DP, and are not included in the RIA Occupancy statistics.	25
Self Catering	2	Privately owned apartments on contract to RIA: the residents are entirely self catering. Used for extreme cases, such as medical etc.	276
Total Properties	46	**Total Contracted Capacity Year End 2010**	7,065

ASYLUM SEEKER ACCOMMODATION CENTRES **OPENED** IN 2010		
County	Centre	Opened
n/a		

ASYLUM SEEKER ACCOMMODATION CENTRES **CLOSED** IN 2010		
County	Centre	Closed
Dublin	Kilmacud Reception Centre, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin	04/03/2010
Kerry	Westward Court, Mary Street, Tralee, Co. Kerry	04/04/2010
Dublin	14 Gardiner Place, Dublin 1	24/05/2010
Dublin	10 North Frederick Street, Dublin 1	26/05/2010
Limerick	Sarsfield House, Sarsfield Bridge, Limerick	17/06/2010
Wicklow	Beechlawn, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow	26/10/2010

ASYLUM SEEKER SELF-CATERING CENTRES **CLOSED** IN 2010		
County	Centre	Closed
Cork	Davis Lane (S/C), 73-75 Davis St, Mallow, Co. Cork	22/06/2010
Roscommon	Station Road (S/C) Ballaghadereen, Co. Roscommon	30/08/2010

Centres by Contractor Year End 2010

	Contractor	Centres	Capacity	Total	Commercial DP %	SC %	State-owned %	Total %
1	Bridgestock Ltd	Old Convent, Abbey Street, Ballyhaunis	329	1,249	16.3			17.7
		Globe House, Chapel Hill, Sligo	255					
		Lisbrook House, Headford Road, Galway	315					
		Athlone **[State-owned]**	350				27.6	
2	Mosney Irish Holidays plc	Mosney, Mosney	650	650	11.8			9.2
3	East Coast Catering (Ireland) Ltd	Balseskin, St. Margarets, Co. Dublin	369	779	10.5			11.0
		Hatch Hall, 28A Lower Hatch St. Dublin 2	210					
		Carroll Village, Dundalk **[SC]**	200			72.5		
4	Barlow Properties / Alan Hyde and Ted Murphy / Stompool Investments Ltd / Baycaster Ltd / D and A Ltd / Oval Rock Ltd	Ashbourne Hse, Glounthane	115	638	11.6			9.0
		Glenvera, Wellington Road, Cork	128					
		Birchwood, Ballytruckle Road, Waterford	160					
		Mount Trenchard, Foynes, Co. Limerick	85					
		An Poc Fada, Cobh, Co. Cork	40					
		Clonakilty Lodge, Clonakilty, Co. Cork	110					
5	The Old Rectory (New Ross) Ltd / Georgian Court Ltd / Rowtes Ltd / Fazyard Ltd	The Towers, Clondalkin, Dublin 22	250	618	11.2			8.7
		Georgian Court, Dublin 1	110					
		The Old Rectory, New Ross	58					
		The Montague, Emo, Co. Laois	200					
6	Millstreet Equestrian Services Ltd	Millstreet	300	565	20.5			8.0
		Linden House, New Road, Killarney	55					
		Bridgewater House, Carrick-on-Suir	120					
		Viking House, Waterford	90					
7	Eurest	Kinsale Rd **[State-owned]**	300	390			30.7	5.5
		Atlas Killarney **[State-owned]**	90					
8	Campbells	Knockalisheen **[State-owned]**	275	330			26.0	4.7
		Park Lodge **[State-owned]**	55					
9	Tattonward Ltd / Rafstone Enterprises Ltd / Chidlane Ltd	The Horse & Carriage, 15 Aungier St., D2	25	280	5.1			4.0
		St Patricks, Monaghan	200					
		Hibernian, Abbeyleix	55					
10	Maplestar Ltd	Eglinton, Salthill, Galway	235	235	4.3			3.3
11	Onsite Facilities Management	Johnson Marina **[State-owned]**	100	200			15.7	2.8
		Atlas Tralee **[State-owned]**	100					
12	Shaun Hennelly	Great Western House, Galway	172	172	3.1			2.4
13	Frank Brady	24 Lower Camden Street, Dublin 2	19	64	1.2			0.9
		70 Lower Camden Street, Dublin 2	15					
		Newlight House, St. Margarets	30					
14	Hi-Tech Dry Cleaners Ltd	Hanratty's, Glentworth Street, Limerick	118	118	2.1			1.7
15	Westbourne Holiday Hostel Ltd	Westbourne, Dock Rd., Limerick	105	105	1.9			1.5
16	Cherryport Ltd	Eyre Powell, Newbridge	100	100	1.8			1.4
17	Connemara + Islands Heritage Tourism Ltd	Dun Gibbons, Clifden	96	96	1.7			1.4
18	James Keogh	Richmond Court, Longford	94	94	1.7			1.3
19	Atlantic Blue Limited	Atlantic House, Tramore	90	90	1.6			1.3
20	Daniel Moore	Ocean View, Tramore	85	85	1.5			1.2
21	P. Monaghan + F. McDonnell	Watergate House, Dublin 8 **[SC]**	76	76		27.5		1.1
22	J. Gough + M. Campbell	Viking Lodge, Dublin 8	70	70	1.3			1.0
23	Shane + Angie Timoney	Cliffview, Donegal	61	61	1.1			0.9
		[46 Centres]	**TOTALS**	7,065	5,519	276	1,270	100

Breakdown of Reception and Accommodation Centres

At the end of 2010, the RIA accommodation portfolio was comprised of a total of 46 centres, with a contracted capacity of around 7,000. These centres were:

1 Reception Centre, located in Dublin. 42 Accommodation Centres, located throughout 18 counties.

2 Self Catering Centres, located in Dublin and Co. Louth.

1 AC12 Centre located in Dublin. (The term 'AC12' is shorthand for the twelve 2004 & 2007 EU Accession States. RIA has a role in assisting with the voluntary return home of destitute nationals from these countries. They are accommodated by RIA for a short period in our 'AC12' Centre prior to their departure home. This cohort are not asylum seekers in the Direct Provision system.)

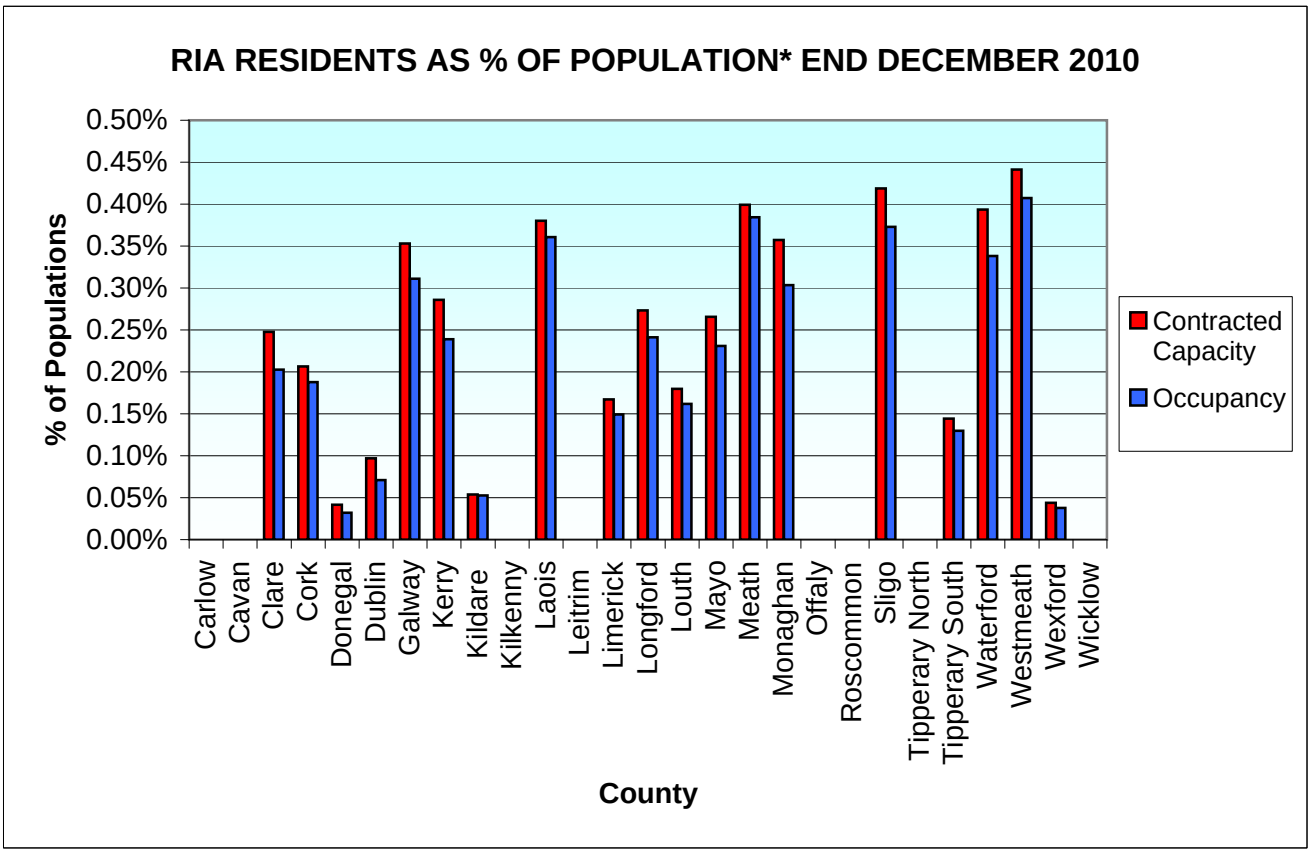
Of those centres in the RIA portfolio, only three were built ("system built") for the express purpose of accommodating asylum seekers. The majority of the portfolio comprises buildings which had a different initial purpose i.e. former hotels, guesthouses (B&B), hostels, former convents / nursing Homes, a holiday camp and a mobile home site.

The mobile home site is located in Athlone and the "system built" centres are:

-Knockalisheen, Co. Clare (State-owned); Kinsale Road, Cork City (State-owned); Balseskin, Co Dublin;

The seven state-owned centres are:

-Knockalisheen, Co. Clare;
-Kinsale Road, Cork City;
-Atlas House, Killarney;
-Atlas House, Tralee;
-Johnston Marina, Tralee;
-Park Lodge , Killarney;
-Athlone.



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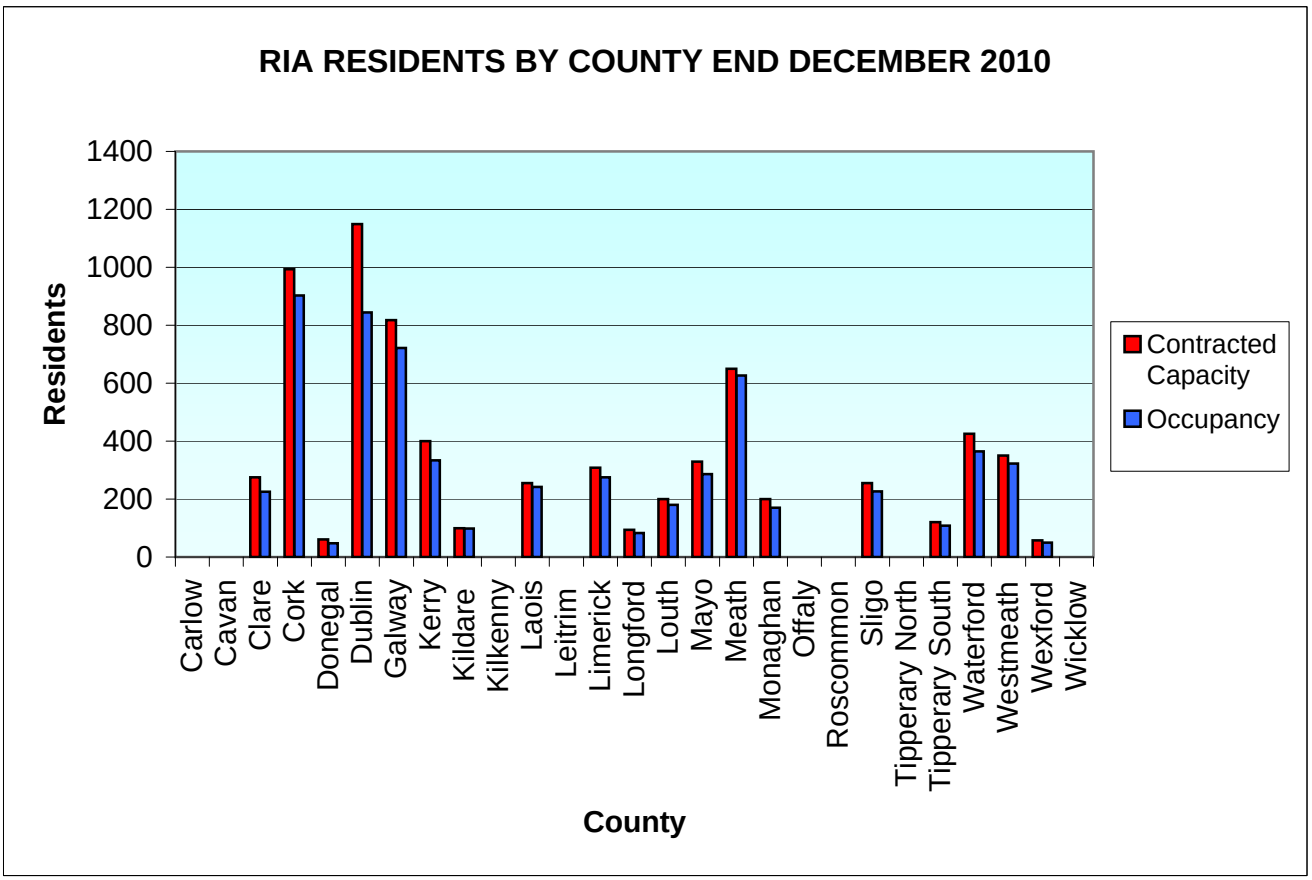
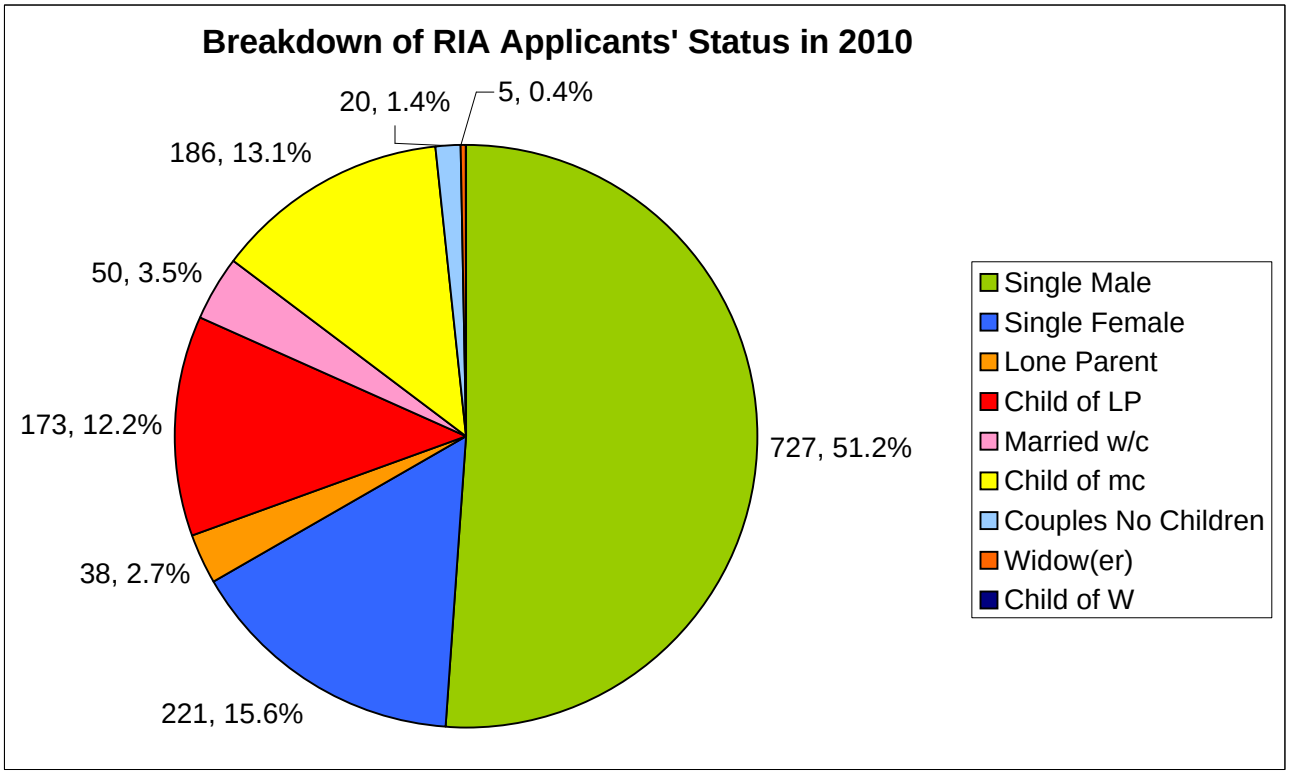


RIA RESIDENTS AS % OF POPULATION (COUNTY & HSE AREA) END DECEMBER 2010

HEALTH BOARD	COUNTY	POPULATION 2006 Census	CONTRACTED CAPACITY	CURRENT OCCUPANCY	CAPACITY AS % OF POP.	OCCUPANCY AS % OF POP.
HSE East Coast Area		**1,499,705**	**1,249**	**942**	**0.08%**	**0.06%**
HSE South Western Area	Dublin	1,187,176	1,149	844	0.10%	0.07%
HSE Northern Area	Kildare	186,335	100	98	0.05%	0.05%
	Wicklow	126,194	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
HSE Midland Area		**251,664**	**699**	**648**	**0.28%**	**0.26%**
	Laois	67,059	255	242	0.38%	0.36%
	Longford	34,391	94	83	0.27%	0.24%
	Offaly	70,868	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
	Westmeath	79,346	350	323	0.44%	0.41%
HSE Mid Western Area		**361,028**	**583**	**500**	**0.16%**	**0.14%**
	Clare	110,950	275	225	0.25%	0.20%
	Limerick	184,055	308	275	0.17%	0.15%
	Tipperary N	66,023	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
HSE North Eastern Area		**394,098**	**1,050**	**976**	**0.27%**	**0.25%**
	Cavan	64,003	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
	Louth	111,267	200	180	0.18%	0.16%
	Meath	162,831	650	626	0.40%	0.38%
	Monaghan	55,997	200	170	0.36%	0.30%
HSE North Western Area		**237,108**	**316**	**274**	**0.13%**	**0.12%**
	Donegal	147,264	61	47	0.04%	0.03%
	Leitrim	28,950	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
	Sligo	60,894	255	227	0.42%	0.37%
HSE South Eastern Area		**460,838**	**603**	**523**	**0.13%**	**0.11%**
	Carlow	50,349	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
	Kilkenny	87,558	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
	Tipperary S	83,221	120	108	0.14%	0.13%
	Waterford	107,961	425	365	0.39%	0.34%
	Wexford	131,749	58	50	0.04%	0.04%
HSE Southern Area		**621,130**	**1,393**	**1,237**	**0.22%**	**0.20%**
	Cork	481,295	993	903	0.21%	0.19%
	Kerry	139,835	400	334	0.29%	0.24%
HSE Western Area		**414,277**	**1,147**	**1,007**	**0.28%**	**0.24%**
	Galway	231,670	818	721	0.35%	0.31%
	Mayo	123,839	329	286	0.27%	0.23%
	Roscommon	58,768	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
TOTAL POPULATION		**4,239,848**	**7,040**	**6,107**	**0.17%**	**0.14%**

Profile of RIA Applicant's Status Arriving at Mount Street in 2010

Date	Single		Lone Parent Family		Other Family					Total
	Male	Female	Parent	Child	Married with Child(ren)	Child of Married Couple	Couple(s), No Children	Widow(er)	Child of Widow(er)	
January	66	17	2	13	6	20	2	0	0	126
February	77	18	4	6	3	14	0	0	0	122
March	72	18	1	29	7	23	0	0	0	150
April	55	15	3	17	3	15	2	0	0	110
May	71	19	5	12	0	5	2	0	0	114
June	69	19	4	13	2	18	2	1	0	128
July	60	28	4	17	6	14	0	1	0	130
August	56	22	4	12	8	23	2	1	0	128
September	63	17	4	14	5	11	1	1	0	116
October	54	19	2	11	4	13	3	1	0	107
November	38	12	2	19	4	19	6	0	0	100
December	46	17	3	10	2	11	0	0	0	89
Total	727	221	38	173	50	186	20	5	0	1420
% of Total	51.20%	15.56%	2.68%	12.18%	3.52%	13.10%	1.41%	0.35%	0.00%	100.00%



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Clause / Section in Standard Contract	Brief Description
1.4	Liaise with HSE on behalf of residents
2.2	Implement RIA Rules and Procedures
2.3	Implement a Child Protection Policy
3.1	Retain the centre solely for RIA's use
3.4	Provide and replace furniture
3.5	Provide heating
3.6	Undertake internal and external maintenance
3.8	Provide entertainment / leisure facilities free of charge (FOC)
3.11	Implement a procedure to allow visitors
3.12	Provide secure facility for storage
4.1	Provide and replace towels
4.2	Provide and replace toiletries
4.3	Provide and replace bed linen
4.4	Provide a laundry service FOC
4.5	Provide adequate hot water
4.7	Provide adequate cleaning equipment
5.1	Provide full board catering
5.3	Provide for any ethnic and prescribed dietary needs of residents
5.4	Provide a 28 day menu cycle
5.7 & 5.9	Provide snacks and meals out of hours
5.10	Provide packed lunches for school children
5.11	Implement HACCP procedures
6.1	Provide an appropriate number of staff with a 7 day management presence between 8am and 8pm
6.3	Provide for holiday staffing relief
6.4	Ensure that staff are of good character
6.5	Employ a qualified chef
6.6	Ensure staff are lawfully entitled to work in the State
7.1	Provide security and supervision on a 24 hour basis
9	Comply with all statutes and regulations
9.4	Protect the identity of asylum seekers
10	Comply with all fire regulations plus provide to the OPW, on an annual basis, independent, third party fire certification
12.1	Ensure adequate public liability insurance cover

The contract with proprietors is lengthy and detailed. The above table highlights the more important aspects.

Expenditure Breakdown during 2010

Type	Explanation	Spend
Commercial*	43 Centres commercially owned	€66.051m
State Owned	7 centres owned by the State	€8.720m
Self Catering**	4 non direct provision commercially owned centres	€2.731m
Pre School	Payments for wages, consumables etc. in 8 pre schools	€0.149m
Additional costs (including Gas, Electricity, Oil, Phone, Water, Waste, Sewerage, OPW, etc.)	Direct spending by RIA on additional costs in State owned centres	€1.24m
Transport***	Direct spending by RIA on transport of asylum seekers on dispersals around country.	€0.112m
Miscellaneous	Payments for nappies, legal costs etc.	€0.070m
Total		**€79.073m**

Notes:

***** This figure also includes the amount paid for the 6 commercially owned centres closed during 2010.

** This figure also includes the amount paid for the 2 Self Catering Centres which were closed during 2010.

***This represents direct spending by RIA on costs in relation to, transport to reception centres and, onwards on dispersal, to accommodation centres. Individual centres also provide transport (e.g. into local town or city) for resident asylum seekers but this cost is subsumed into the overall contract price.

RIA's Role in Relation to the Accommodation of Victims of Human Trafficking

Coordination of the State response to the issue of human trafficking is dealt with by the Anti-Human Trafficking Unit of the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform. In June, 2009, the National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Trafficking was published (http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/WP09000005) and this details the State's overall response to the issue of human trafficking

RIA plays a small but important role in this response. Our key function is in relation to persons deemed by the Garda National Immigration Bureau (GNIB) to be potential or suspected victims of trafficking. Such persons are referred by GNIB to RIA and we provide them with accommodation in one of our accommodation centres pending a determination of their case and during the 60 day recovery and reflection period. The purpose of the recovery and reflection period is to allow the person:

(a) time to recover;
(b) to escape the influence of the alleged traffickers; and
(c) to take an informed decision as to whether to assist the Garda Síochána or other relevant authorities in relation to any investigation or prosecution arising in relation to the alleged trafficking.

Prior to or following the expiry of the period of recovery and reflection, a suspected victim of trafficking may be offered a temporary residence permission by the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform and this may be renewed every 6 months. Such a permission is granted on the basis that the person has severed all relations with the alleged perpetrators to allow the suspected victim to continue to assist the Garda Síochána or other relevant authorities in an investigation or prosecution. RIA liaises with the HSE Asylum Seekers and New Communities Unit and the HSE/Women's Health Project caseworker in relation to the suspected victim's transition from RIA accommodation to mainline services.

If the person concerned is an asylum seeker and makes an allegation of trafficking during his/her asylum claim, s/he will remain in the asylum process following the 60 day recovery and reflection period and will continue to receive the necessary supports from the Reception and Integration Agency.

During 2010, 69 cases of alleged trafficking in human beings involving 78 alleged victims were reported to An Garda Síochána A number of these investigations involved multiple alleged victims hence the difference between the number of alleged victims and the number of investigations. Of the 78 (100%) alleged victims of human trafficking reported to An Garda Síochána in 2010:

- 36 (46%) were asylum seekers.
- 17 (22%) were citizens of EU Member States (other than Ireland).
- 12 (15%) had a variety of other statuses.
- 6 (8%) were Irish citizens.
- 3 (4%) were provided with a 60 day recovery and reflection period and/or a renewable 6 month temporary residence permission under the administrative immigration arrangements for the protection of victims of trafficking.
- 2 (3%) had a previous claim for asylum in the UK.
- 1 (1%) had a previous claim for asylum in another EU Member State.
- 1 (1%) was placed into the care of the HSE.

Education of Children of School Going Age in RIA Accommodation

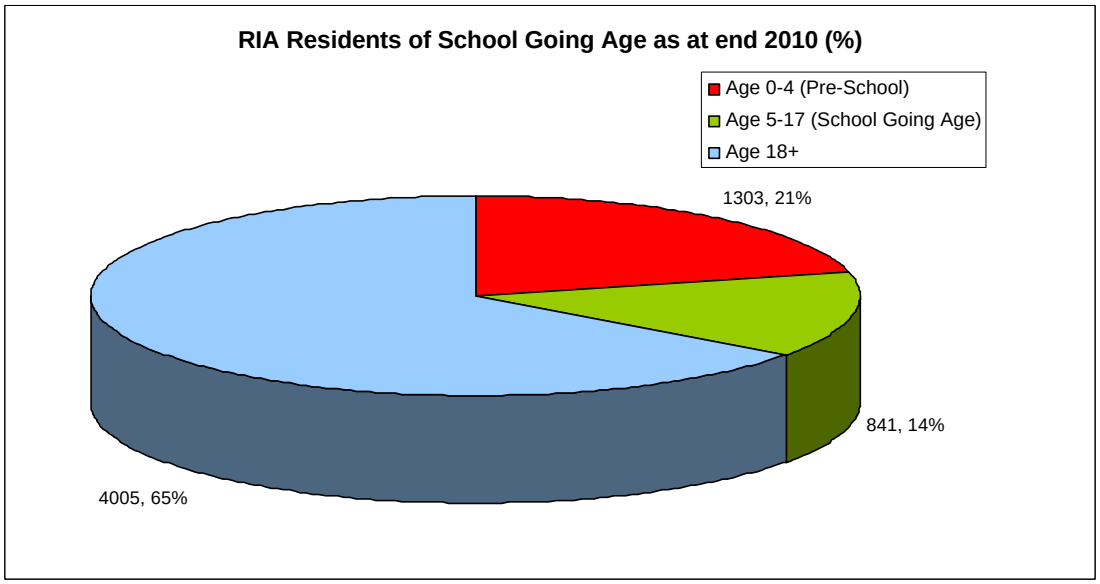
Unlike the situation prevailing in some other EU countries, the education of children resident in RIA accommodation is mainstreamed i.e. they are provided in a like manner to the 'indigenous' Irish population.

Education in Ireland is compulsory from age 6 to 16 or until students have completed three years of second level (post-primary) education, under the Education (Welfare) Act, 2000. In order to more accurately reflect the school attendance patterns in Ireland, all residents of 5-17 years of age have been included in the chart below.

Asylum seekers children resident in our centres are linked with local schools. If there is a high concentration of children of school going age in the one centre (e.g. Mosney Accommodation Centre) children are linked to a number of schools in the surrounding area. The number in particular schools can very depending on the demand. Unlike 'indigenous' school going children, asylum seekers children can be dispersed from the Reception centre in Dublin (to where they are sent upon arrival in the State for a few weeks) to a centre elsewhere in the State at any point in school year and are linked to local schools in the area.

The RIA will endeavour not to send families with children of school going age to those centres where it is known at the time of the dispersal that there may be a difficult in securing school places for children of certain ages. Children who present with special needs, as assessed by the relevant health and education professionals, are linked with the relevant specialist education services including units for children with hearing impairment, autistic units in schools, special schools etc. In such cases children are also linked with the relevant transport arrangements as apply in the case of Irish children with special needs.

All asylum seekers are medical card holders and, inter alia, they are exempt from the fees for State.



This data is based on 'Live in System' figures. See pgs 12-19 for a further breakdown, by centre, of children of schoolgoing age

Adult asylum seekers who do not have an entitlement to work, may avail of free access to adult literacy, English language and mother culture supports only provided by Vocational Educational Committees (VECs). The local VECs provide English Language classes using local tutors. Funding for such classes comes from the Adult Literacy and Community Education Scheme

Inspections in RIA Accommodation 2010

RIA oversees a comprehensive and detailed inspections system of asylum seeker accommodation. Inspections are carried out by an in-house inspectorate within RIA and also by an independent company with expertise in fire and food safety. The contract for independent inspections was held by QTS Ltd in 2008. As far as possible, every effort is made to inspect accommodation centres approximately three times annually - twice by the internal RIA inspection team and once by the independent inspection company QTS. The purpose of an inspection is to assess the physical condition of the centre and to ensure that the services contracted by RIA are being delivered by the contractor. All inspections carried out by RIA staff or the external inspection company are unannounced.

County	Centre	Inspected By	Date
Clare	Knockalisheen A/S Centre	RIA	16/02/2010
		RIA	27/09/2010
		QTS	15/12/2010
Cork	Ashbourne Hse Hotel	RIA	31/03/2010
		RIA	07/09/2010
	Clonakilty Lodge	QTS	10/02/2010
		RIA	30/06/2010
		RIA	13/12/2010
	Kinsale Road Acc. Centre	RIA	17/02/2010
		RIA	28/29 June 2010
		RIA	13/12/2010
	Glenvera Hotel	QTS	11/02/2010
		RIA	30/06/2010
		RIA	14/12/2010
	An Poc Fada	RIA	31/03/2010
		RIA	06/09/2010
	Millstreet Accommodation Centre	QTS	10/02/2010
		RIA	28/06/2010
		RIA	25/11/2010
Donegal	Cliffview	QTS	27/05/2010
		RIA	30/09/2010
Dublin	The Towers	QTS	10/06/2010
		RIA	21/09/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
	Balseskin	QTS	24/05/2010
		RIA	17/08/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
	Watergate House	RIA	05/03/2010
		QTS	29/06/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
	Camden House	QTS	13/05/2010
		RIA	04/08/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
	70 Lower Camden Street	QTS	13/05/2010
		RIA	04/08/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
	14 Gardiner Place	QTS	20/01/2010
	Horse and Carriage	RIA	01/07/2010
		QTS	16/12/2010
	Newlight House	RIA	17/02/2010
		RIA	24/09/2010
		QTS	17/12/2010
	10 North Frederick Street	QTS	20/01/2010
	Viking Lodge	RIA	05/11/2010
		QTS	18/06/2010
	Georgian Court	RIA	28/04/2010
		QTS	16/12/2010
	Hatch Hall	QTS	31/05/2010
		RIA	24/09/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
Galway	Dun Gibbons Inn	RIA	29/03/2010
		QTS inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather condidtions	
	Eglinton Hotel	RIA	30/03/2010
		QTS	03/12/2010
	Great Western House	RIA	31/03/2010
		QTS	03/12/2010
	Lisbrook House	QTS	04/03/2010
		RIA	24/09/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	

Inspections in RIA Accommodation 2010

County	Centre	Inspected By	Date
Kerry	Atlas House - Tralee	RIA	18/03/2010
		RIA	16/09/2010
	Atlas House - Killarney	QTS	26/01/2010
		RIA	24/06/2010
		RIA	24/11/2010
	Johnston Marina Hotel	QTS	26/01/2010
		RIA	24/06/2010
		RIA	25/11/2010
	Linden House	RIA	19/03/2010
		RIA	16/09/2010
	Park Lodge	RIA	24/03/2010
		RIA	28/09/2010
Kildare	Eyrepowell Hotel	QTS	18/05/2010
		RIA	24/08/2010
		QTS	07/12/2010
Laois	Hibernian Hotel	QTS (announced visit)	18/02/2010
		RIA	25/05/2010
		QTS	07/12/2010
	Montague	RIA	17/02/2010
		RIA	20/09/2010
Limerick	Westbourne Holiday Hostel	QTS	15/01/2010
		RIA	10/06/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
	Mount Trenchard	QTS	28/01/2010
		RIA	11/06/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
	Hanrattys	RIA	28/06/2010
		QTS inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather condidtions	
	Sarsfield Bridge Hotel	RIA	29/01/2010
Longford	Richmond Court	QTS	15/01/2010
		RIA	22/06/2010
		RIA	21/10/2010
Louth	Carroll Village	RIA	26/03/2010
Mayo	The Old Convent	QTS	02/03/2010
		RIA	27/04/2010
		RIA	20/09/2010
Meath	Mosney Accommodation Centre	QTS	30/03/2010
		RIA	17/06/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
Monaghan	St. Patricks	QTS	09/06/2010
		RIA	27/09/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
Roscommon	Station Road Apartments	QTS	14/01/2010
Sligo	Globe House	QTS	20/01/2010
		RIA	21/06/2010
		RIA inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather conditions	
Tipp. North	Bridgewater House	RIA	16/03/2010
		QTS	26/05/2010
		RIA	06/09/2010
Waterford	Ursuline Complex	QTS	29/06/2010
		RIA	09/09/2010
		RIA	14/12/2010
	Viking House	QTS	17/06/2010
		RIA	09/09/2010
		RIA	14/12/2010
	Atlantic House	QTS	16/06/2010
		RIA	09/09/2010
		RIA	31/12/2010
	Ocean View	QTS	16/06/2010
		RIA	09/09/2010
		RIA	31/12/2010
Westmeath	Athlone Accommodation Centre	RIA	29/03/10 & 31/03/10
		QTS	11/05/2010
		RIA	25/26 November 2010
Wexford	Old Rectory House	RIA	29/04/2010
		QTS inspection could not be carried out in the 4th quarter due to severe weather condidtions	
Wicklow	Beechlawn	RIA	17/02/2010
		QTS	02/02/2010

Total for 2010 = 112 inspections - 71 by RIA and 41 by QTS

Information Clinics in RIA Accommodation

The RIA Operations Unit conducts clinics at all accommodation centres on at least a bi-annual basis. The primary objective is to make RIA staff available to discuss issues on a one-to-one basis, but also to review and examine the centres and their general operation.

While residents can raise their concerns and address complaints at any time either to their centre manager, or by using the official complaints procedure, information clinics provide an opportunity for face-to-face communication with RIA staff. This allows residents address any issues of concern, complaints, queries and information requests in person. RIA staff seek to address concerns as appropriate, investigate issues raised and provide information and referral details where necessary. The residents are assured that any issues raised will be addressed confidentially and will only be discussed with relevant personnel with their agreement.

In the case of Mosney Accommodation Centre, which had a capacity of 650 residents at the end of 2010, clinics are held there on a monthly basis. Where a number of smaller accommodation centres are located within a short distance of each other, residents from one of the centres may be invited to attend the clinic in the neighbouring centre. Clinics are not conducted in the Dublin centres as RIA staff would be in many of the centres on at least a weekly basis.

County	Location	Clinic 1	Clinic 2	Clinic 3
Clare	Knockalisheen	01/04/2010	31/08/2010	18/11/2010
Cork	Ashbourne Hse	17/05/2010	18/08/2010	12/11/2010
	Kinsale Road	20/05/2010	09/09/2010	Postponed due to adverse weather
	Glenvera Hotel	21/05/2010	19/08/2010	12/11/2010
	Millstreet	17/05/2010	09/08/2010	25/11/2010
	An Poc Fada	17/05/2010	18/08/2010	11/11/2010
	Clonakilty Lodge	20/05/2010	09/09/2010	Postponed due to adverse weather
Donegal	Cliffview		29/07/2010	15/10/2010
Galway	Dun Gibbons Inn	14/04/2010	30/08/2010	11/11/2010
	Lisbrook House	13/04/2010	30/08/2010	11/11/2010
	Eglington Hotel	14/04/2010	30/08/2010	11/11/2010
	Great Western Hse	13/04/2010	29/08/2010	11/11/2010
Kerry	Atlas House (Tralee)	13/04/2010	10/08/2010	21/10/2010
	Atlas House (Killarney)		10/08/2010	21/10/2010
	Johnston Marina	13/04/2010	11/08/2010	22/10/2010
	Linden House		10/08/2010	21/10/2010
	Park Lodge	12/04/2010	10/8/10 (At Linden)	21/10/10 (At Linden)
Kildare	Eyre Powell	04/06/2010	09/08/2010	19/10/2010
Laois	Hibernian Hotel	29/04/2010	04/08/2010	19/10/2010
	Montague Hotel	29/04/2010	04/08/2010	19/10/2010
Limerick	Hanratty's	31/03/2010	01/09/2010	19/11/2010
	Westbourne Hostel	31/3/10 (Hanratty's)	01/09/2010	19/11/2010
	Sarsfield Hotel	31/03/2010	Closed	Closed
	Mount Trenchard	31/03/2010	31/08/2010	18/11/2010
Longford	Richmond Court	29/04/2010	26/08/2010	14/10/2010
Mayo	The Old Convent	29/04/2010	26/08/2010	14/10/2010
Meath	Mosney	Clinics Every 4 Weeks		
Monaghan	St. Patricks	11/06/2010	23/08/2010	Postponed due to adverse weather
Sligo	Globe House		30/07/2010	14/10/2010
Tipp. South	Bridgewater Hse.	10/05/2010	19/08/2010	24/11/2010
Waterford	Atlantic House	26/04/2010	10/08/2010	21/11/2010
	Ocean View	26/04/2010	09/08/2010	21/11/2010
	Birchwood	26/04/2010	09/08/2010	21/11/2010
	Viking Hse.	26/04/2010	10/08/2010	21/10/2010
Westmeath	Athlone	01/07/2010	07/09/2010	Postponed due to adverse weather
Wexford	The Old Rectory	25/03/2010	19/08/2010	Postponed due to adverse weather
Wicklow	Beechlawn	25/03/2010	19/08/2010	Closed

Child & Family Services

RIA takes the issue of child protection very seriously. We have a Child and Family Services unit, whose role is to manage, deliver, co-ordinate, monitor and plan all matters relating to child and family services for all persons residing in RIA accommodation centres and to act as a conduit between RIA and the HSE. The Unit is comprised of a manager seconded from the HSE with clinical expertise in the area of child welfare and protection (position currently vacant), an Executive Officer and a Clerical Officer. The unit's main functions and responsibilities are:

- Monitoring and implementation of RIA's Child Protection Policy.
- Working in close partnership with the HSE Child Protection and Welfare Service nationally.
- Setting up and implementing the Garda Vetting system for centre staff. Staff in the Child & Family Services unit are Garda Vetting Authorised Signatories.
- Working in partnership with the HSE in relation to Separated Children Seeking Asylum who reach 18 years of age ("aged out unaccompanied minors) leaving HSE care and require appropriate accommodation in RIA's Direct Provision centres based on assessed needs.
- Setting up and chairing regional Interagency Meetings. The purpose of these meetings is to provide a forum where RIA staff, Centre managers and staff, and relevant statutory agencies dealing with asylum seekers seek to identify and resolve issues of common concern.
- Co-ordinating HSE-delivered training of centre managers in areas such as Children First 'Keeping Safe' and Applied Suicide and Self Harm Training; as well as Capacity and Awareness Training delivered by Culturewise Ireland for those working with Immigrant Parents.

Child Protection Policy

The table below shows the number of referrals made to RIA's Child & Family Services in 2010. Such referrals are made by relevant centre staff, by HSE staff, by RIA officers who have visited centres and, occasionally, by NGO groups. The statistics below can include multiple entries for one person i.e. instances where a number of referrals are made for the same family and also for each child of that particular family.

Case Type	Total 2010	Case Type	Total 2010
Abandoned	0	Other –Miscellaneous	35
Disruptive Behaviour	6	Other –injury to child in centre	4
Inappropriate Sexual Behaviour	0	Other –Alleged Trafficking	1
Domestic Violence	6	Other –Child Taken into HSE Care	5
Emotional Abuse	2	Parent Not Coping	7
Family reunification query	4	Physical abuse/assault	24
Mental Health Concerns	17	Sexual concerns /inappropriate sexual behaviour	9
Parent/Child Missing/Left Centre	11	Special Needs	5
Mum Hospitalised	16	Unsupervised	84
Neglect	8		
Non School Attendance	4	Undocumented	175

Garda Vetting

2009 saw the introduction of Garda Vetting for all staff of centres under contract to RIA. It is an important aspect of RIA's Child Protection policy which has as its principal aim the minimisation of risk to children and vulnerable adults residing in our centres.

Because RIA's business comprises, at the end of 2009, 54 different centres with 26 different contractors, it was agreed with the Garda Central Vetting Unit (GCVU) based in Thurles Co. Tipperary that RIA would act as the central conduit for all communications between the GVCU and RIA centres.

The following process was agreed effective from the beginning of 2009. RIA arranges for the vetting, through the GCVU, of all contractors and their designated vetting signatories, and RIA itself will then 'clear' such staff i.e. decide on whether any criminal record warrants action. In turn, the 'cleared' contractors have responsibility for arranging the vetting, by GCVU through RIA, of all members of their own staff and 'clearing' (or otherwise) those staff members shown to have a criminal record.

In 2009, one of RIA's largest contractors, Bridgestock Ltd., which had five centres under contract to RIA, carried out a very successful pilot vetting process whereby all of their staff underwent the vetting and clearance process described above. That experience contributed to the development of a vetting procedure document drawn up for use in the initiation and delivery of relevant training to all contractors in each of the centres under contract to RIA.

Unaccompanied Minors seeking Asylum discharged from HSE Care

Accommodation of unaccompanied minors under 18 years of age - sometimes referred to as Separated Children Seeking Asylum (SCSA's) - is the sole responsibility of the HSE.

Those who then reach 18 years of age - referred to as 'aged out' minors - are transferred from HSE accommodation to RIA accommodation. Aged out minors deemed by the HSE as continuing to be vulnerable can, at the HSE's discretion, remain within its care.

Up to 2009, aged out minors transferred to RIA had, by agreement between RIA and the HSE, been accommodated in specified RIA centres in Dublin. Those with children were automatically dispersed to family centres outside Dublin.

That policy changed effective from 1 January 2009 and followed discussions between RIA and the HSE. From then on, aged out minors on reaching the age of 18 years (or otherwise later discharged from the care of the HSE) are dispersed to specified RIA accommodation centres outside Dublin. Those centres had, because of the long standing dispersal policy, established close working relationships not only with the HSE, but with voluntary and NGO groups and therefore had the resources and supports needed to accommodate aged out minors.

The rationale behind the policy change agreed between RIA and the HSE was straightforward, viz:

a) it relieved the pressure in the Dublin area on bed space and, more importantly, on community services. Dublin's health, education, therapeutic and welfare services have long waiting times for first appointments and interventions. It has been RIA's experience over the years that asylum seekers have easier access to services outside the Dublin area where waiting times are considerably shorter. Given that aged out minors have particular needs, having been separated from family at a very young age, it is important that they can receive appropriate services in a timely fashion,

b) it reduces the negative influences - crime, drug abuse and so on - that the "bright lights, big city" environment in Dublin can have on aged out minors who have limited financial means and who have no family support.

c) it provides a standardised and equitable approach to all asylum seekers over the age of 18 availing of RIA accommodation, thus ensuring fairness.

In partnership with the HSE and other service providers, RIA provided accommodation based on an individually assessed need for each aged out minor. The final decision on the location of the accommodation centre allocated to each individual remained with RIA.

To implement this policy in 2009, RIA and the HSE ran a series of information sessions with local service providers in each of the five identified locations deemed suitable for young adults. The policy was reviewed again in late December 2009. This process identified a number of issues which are being tackled but, overall, the revised policy for the most part has been successful and RIA wishes to thank the local NGOs and statutory agencies for providing the necessary support and assistance.

Interagency Meetings

The Interagency Meeting process around the country is one where RIA, centre managers and staff, and statutory agencies dealing with RIA clients, seek to identify and resolve issues of common concern.

The terms of reference of these meetings are as follows:

1. The interagency meeting should be a forum to support service providers in the provision of standardised and equitable service to Asylum Seekers availing of Direct Provision

2. To enhance and develop communication systems and the sharing of information between all agencies.

3. To use the meeting as a forum to further develop services for Asylum Seekers in RIA accommodation using the membership experience and local knowledge.

The table below shows the schedule of meetings held in 2010 in the different regions around the country.

Interagency Meetings 2010 **Interagency meetings were held in the different regions from January - October**	
South West (Cork Area) Meetings	22nd February, 31st May, 27th September
Dublin Central Meetings -	22nd January, 14th May, 8th October
The West (Galway) Meetings -	9th March, 1st June, 5th October
The West (Limerick) Meetings -	8th March, 14th June, 4th October
North-West Meetings -	2nd February, 28th May, 21st September
North-East Meetings -	8th February, 24th May, 20th September
Midlands Meetings -	19th January, 11th May, 7th September
Kerry Area Meetings -	1st February, 17th May, 13th September
South-East Meetings -	25th January, 10th May, 6th September

Main topics of discussion at Interagency Meetings 2010

- Summer Activities
- Child protection policy review
- IOM Presentations
- Anti Human Trafficking Presentation
- Vacancy in RIA for HSE Secondee
- House Rules Update
- GNIB Presentations
- Community Welfare Service
- Education Matters
- Aged Out Minors
- General Health Matters
- Undocumented Children
- Statistics
- Training of Staff re Mental Health/difficult client issues
- Over 10 's sharing with parents
- Garda Vetting
- Immigration, Residency and Protection Bill – IRP Bill
- Subgroup for Children
- HSE Links
- Preschools – ECCE Scheme
- Age Determinations
- Abuses of the asylum system
- ECCE Scheme
- Mosney Transfers
- Renewal of TRC cards
- Travelling to Dublin for SPIRASI Appointments
- Travelling to Dublin for GNIB Appointments
- Transportation for medical appointments
- CWO payment of Direct Provision Allowance
- Meetings to be held with schools
- Pre School Funding
- Transferring individuals from accommodation centres
- Medical information being passed to new centre when an individual is transferring
- Under 18 in adult accommodation centres
- Deportations
- Disabled clients
- Adequate medication amounts when moving centre
- Matters in relation to St. Patrick 's Accommodation Centre raised by Cavan/Monaghan HSE
- Clarification of Alleged "Amnesty" indicated by the Irish Refugee Council
- Absence of representatives from local schools at interagency meetings
- Unsupervised Children
- Knowledge of asylum seekers work in the community
- Potentially violent residents moving to new centre
- Overnight accommodation in Dublin
- Meeting with RIA and CWO 's
- Critical incident policy
- Child Protection Reporting
- Individuals with Special Needs
- NGO Reps at meetings
- School Transport Issues
- Children 's Playground

Health Screening

In 2010, the Reception Centre in Kilmacud closed in early March due to the decline in asylum seekers arriving to Ireland. Since this time, Health Screening for all asylum seekers is made available by the HSE in Balseskin Reception Centre, Dublin on a voluntary and strictly confidential basis. Screening covers Hepatitis, TB, HIV, immunisation status and any other ailments or conditions that the medical officers feel require further investigation and/or treatment. In addition, arrangements are in place in various parts of the country to offer this service to those who do not avail of it in Dublin.

Figures supplied by the HSE show that approximately 77.3 % of asylum seekers availed of health screening in 2010 while residing in the reception centre in Dublin. No figures are available in relation to those who subsequently availed of screening after being dispersed from the Reception Centre.

Health Services

The Health Unit in RIA assists in the coordination of the provision of health services and communications. RIA has no role in the provision of any health services as this is the responsibility of the HSE.

Access to health services in Ireland for asylum seekers is 'mainstreamed' i.e. it is provided on the same basis as Irish citizens.

Asylum seekers in direct provision will generally qualify for a medical card whereby they are eligible to receive a wide range of health services free of charge including GP services.

Asylum seekers have access to the Public Health Nursing System and Community Welfare Supports as well as a dedicated asylum seeker psychological service operating out of St. Brendan's Hospital.

The HSE, in conjunction with SPIRASI and RIA, operates a Health Information Project (HIP) at the Dublin reception centres. The programme provides asylum seekers with a detailed description of the health services in Ireland, the availability of services and how they may be accessed. This briefing covers such diverse areas as maternity, GP services, health screening, mental health and community welfare services.

Requests made on medical grounds

RIA retains the services of an Independent Medical Referee to adjudicate on requests made by asylum seeker residents of RIA accommodation for transfers, etc., where medical reasons are cited.

The Health Unit holds a weekly meeting to discuss new requests and to follow up on progress on previous requests. At this meeting, a decision is made as to whether a request can be facilitated without recourse to the medical referee (e.g., request for a specific diet on medical grounds) or whether the request needs to be considered by a person with medical training. Once the medical referee has reviewed the person's request and any accompanying medical documentation, a recommendation on whether the request should be granted is forwarded to the Health Unit. The decision on the request is then communicated to the resident.

Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 virus (Swine Flu)

The influenza pandemic (H1N1) 2009 was declared over on August 10th 2010 by the World Health Organisation (WHO). For the 2010/2011 influenza season National Immunisation Advisory Committee (NIAC) has recommended that pandemic (H1N1) 2009 vaccine is not recommended for any at risk groups. The trivalent seasonal influenza vaccine contains the pandemic virus strain and will provide protection against the Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 virus.

In 2010, RIA participated in the dissemination of HSE information on the Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 virus to staff and residents of all accommodation centres. This included information on the vaccination target groups.

RIA Chickenpox Protocol

The RIA has a long standing chickenpox protocol which was agreed a number of years ago with the HSE. The RIA chickenpox protocol is as follows:

- A 'suspension' period of 28 days (this period being rolled over in the event of further outbreaks in the meantime) is instigated upon confirmation of an outbreak in a centre. The application of the suspension differs between reception and accommodation centres.
- In the case of the two reception centres at Balseskin and Kilmacud, this means not accepting any women of 'child-bearing age' (whether pregnant or not) who have presented in the ORAC offices in Mount Street.
- In the case of accommodation centres around the country, this means not accepting pregnant women and non-immune women of 'child-bearing age' from either of the reception centres or from any other accommodation centre.
- Moving the non-immune pregnant women already in the centre to alternative accommodation immediately in order to reduce the risk of infection.
- A pregnant woman who is immune to chickenpox can be sent to any chickenpox affected centre during a 28 day 'suspension' period. However, the pregnant woman's immune status needs to be known with certainty before RIA can do this.

In the case of Balseskin, as an added precaution, the on-site medical team insists on the removal of the index case (i.e. first identified chickenpox case) as well as the unaffected non-immune pregnant women, to a different location. This approach, in the opinion of the medical team, significantly reduces the possibility of having a rollover of the disease into a subsequent 28 day 'suspension' period.

Bed Spaces Lost Through Chickenpox Outbreak 2010 (Per Centre)

Centre	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Ashbourne House	8	8											16
Athlone						55	57	61					173
Atlantic													0
Balseskin						154	149						303
Birchwood													0
Bridgewater													0
Clonakilty													0
Dun Gibbons						11			12	12	2		37
Eglinton	13	18	19				11	9	5	6			81
Georgian Court						41			20				61
Globe House	27		39	29	29	30	19						173
Hatch Hall													0
Hibernian													0
Kinsale Road				8	5								13
Knockalisheen	14			20	14								48
Lisbrook Hotel													0
Millstreet	46	49			48	39							182
Montague													0
Mosney				15	34	36							85
Ocean View				3	6	7							16
Richmond Court													0
St Patricks													0
The Old Convent							15	22					37
Towers Clondalkin													0
Monthly Total	108	75	58	75	136	373	251	92	37	18	2	0	1225

The Reception and Integration Agency's role in assisting with the return of destitute citizens of certain EU States derives from a Government decision of 2 March, 2004 which directed that the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform support the return of destitute nationals from the 10 States which joined the EU in May, 2004 (the Accession Countries "AC") on an agency basis for the Department of Social Protection. This function was introduced in the context of the introduction, with effect from 1 May 2004, of an Habitual Residency Condition in relation to access to social welfare payments. This condition applies to all applicants for such payments and is not confined to European Union citizens. This voluntary return process was later extended, on an administrative basis, to include the two States which joined in January, 2007 (Romania and Bulgaria) – hence the shorthand term "AC12".

The protocol for determination of destitution and referral for repatriation involves the Department of Social Protection (and its agents) and the Reception and Integration Agency. The RIA does not itself determine whether the EU citizen is destitute. Individuals are assessed and referred to RIA, in the main, by the Asylum Seeker and New Communities Unit (ASNCU) of the HSE (Community Welfare Service) in Gardiner Street, Dublin. Referrals can be made from local community welfare officers and employment exchanges around the country, but this is rare.

Out-of-hours referrals to RIA are made through the Homeless Persons Unit (HPU) and from Garda Stations (particularly Store Street and Pearse Street Stations in Dublin). The HPU is part of the Dublin City Council out-of-hours homeless services and is operated, on an agency basis, by the HSE. Any persons referred to RIA for the purpose of AC12 repatriations through the HPU or Gardaí are referred to the ASNCU on the next working day for assessment of destitution and referred back to RIA if assessed as destitute and if willing to return home.

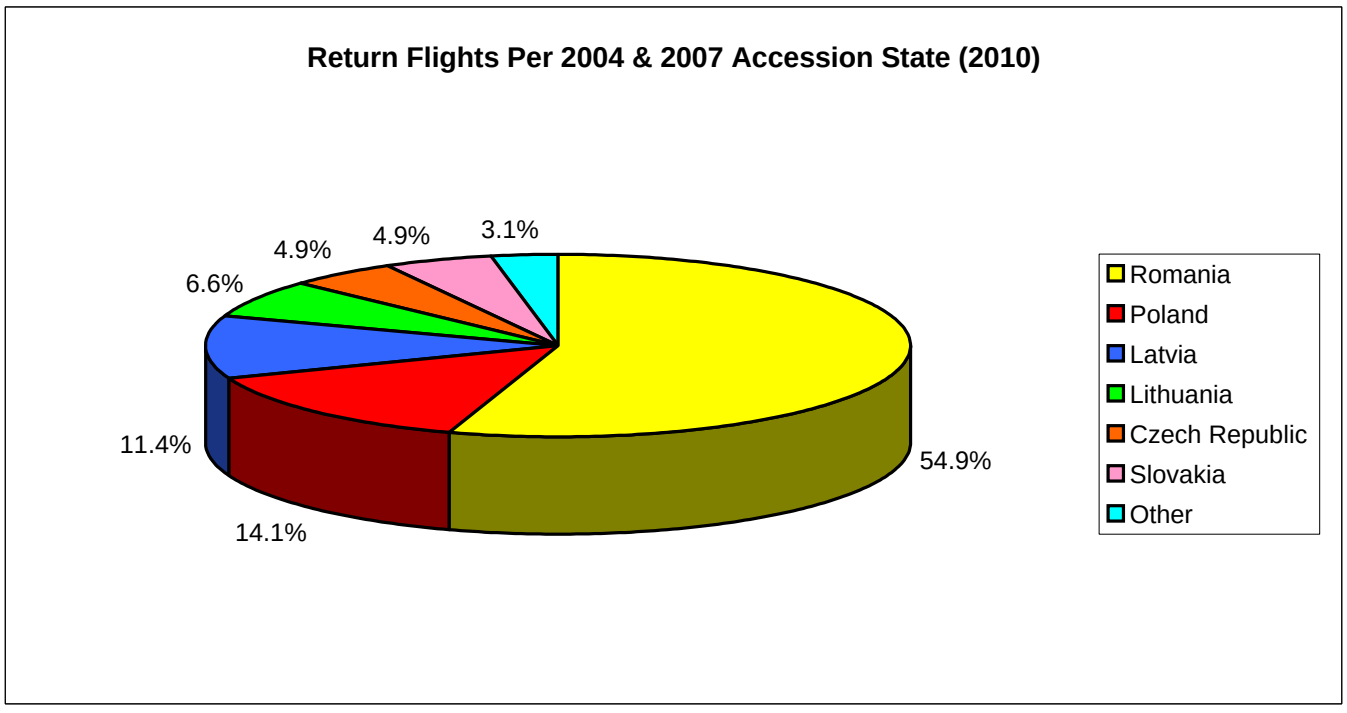
RIA does not accept direct referrals from Embassies, third party or NGO groups, or by individuals themselves.

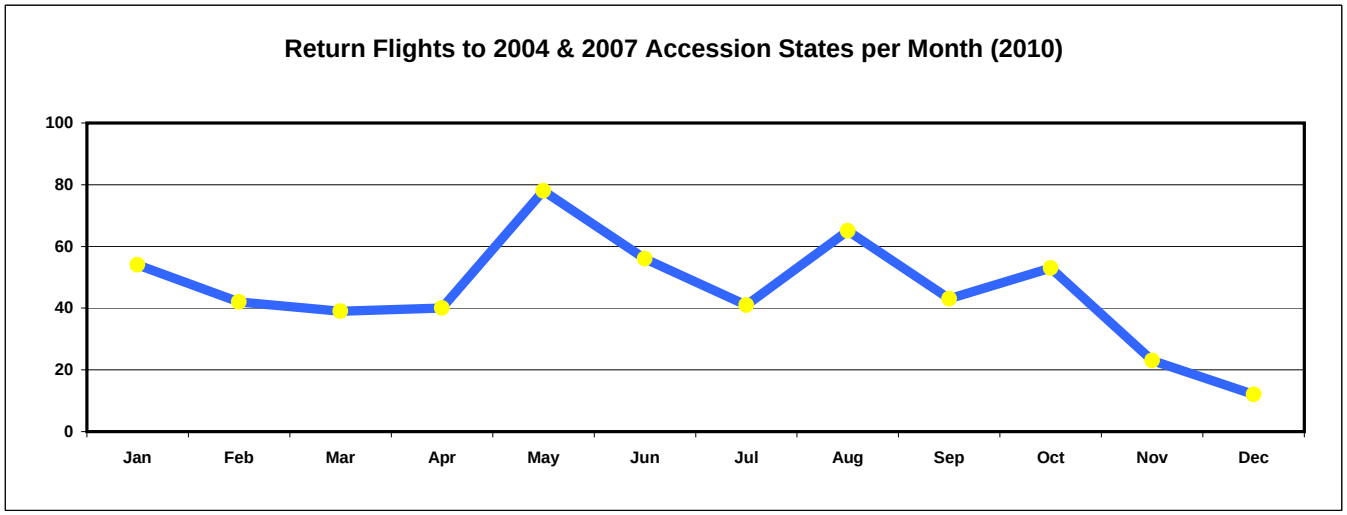
The role of RIA under this scheme is to provide voluntary transport back to their home State for destitute AC12 nationals. If absolutely necessary, and subject to availability of accommodation, RIA will accommodate the person(s) concerned for one or two nights in its designated Dublin centre and provide them with transport home as soon as practicable. Those who have previously availed of the scheme will not be repatriated a second time, while those who fail to take a flight arranged for them will not be offered a second flight.

RIA does not have responsibility for housing homeless non-Irish nationals.

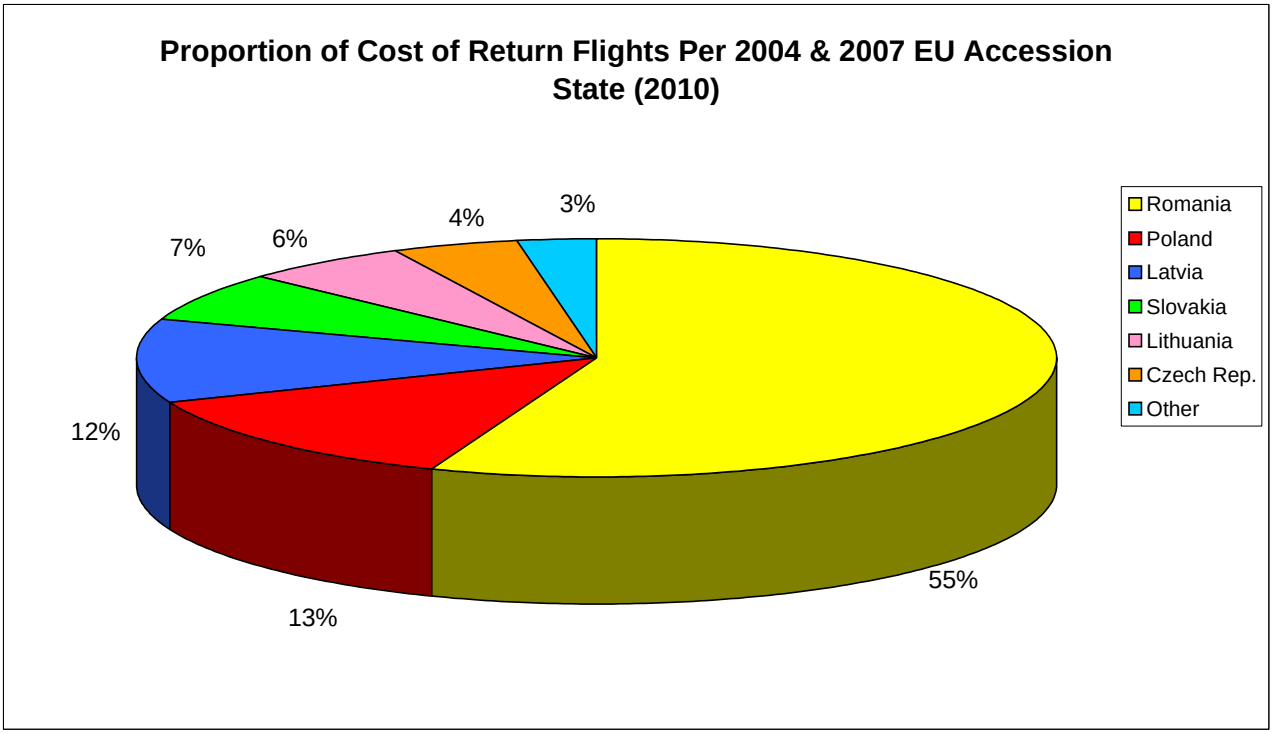
Statistics for 2010 are contained in the next two pages.

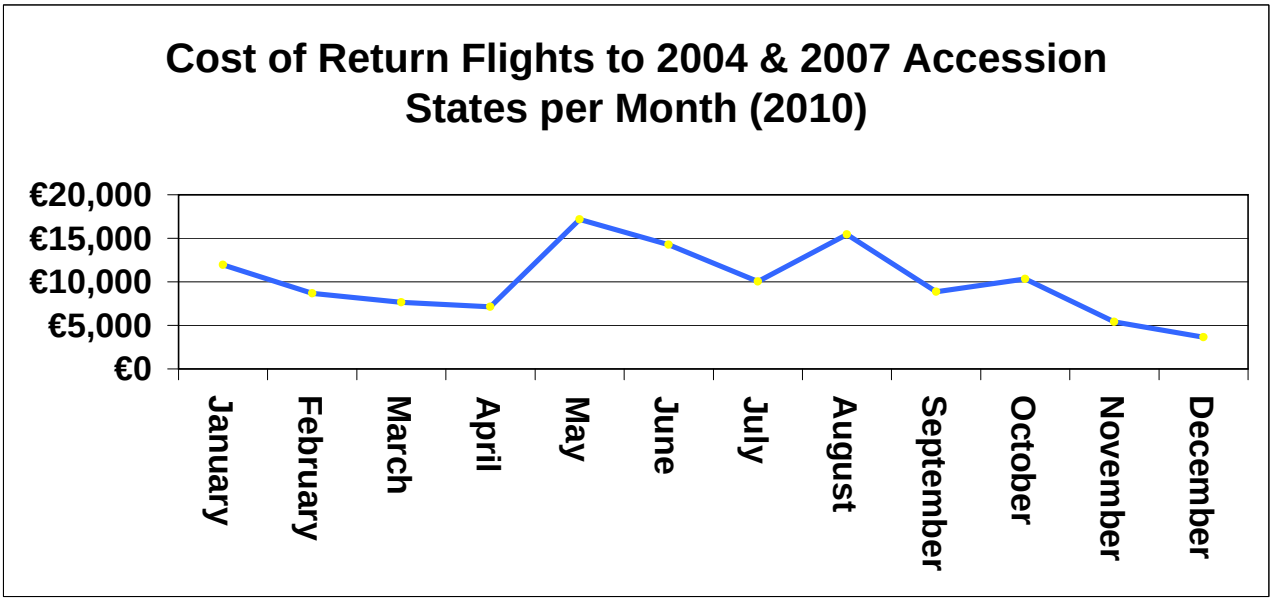
Details of Return Flights for Citizens of the 2004 & 2007 Accession States - 2010													
Country	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Bulgaria	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Czech Republic	1	0	5	8	2	7	0	2	1	0	1	0	27
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Hungary	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	6
Latvia	2	4	3	4	5	8	8	8	5	8	6	1	62
Lithuania	6	4	1	0	4	4	3	0	5	6	1	2	36
Malta	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Poland	3	4	2	4	10	14	6	6	11	10	3	4	77
Romania	34	30	27	20	44	16	23	46	20	28	8	6	302
Slovakia	2	0	1	0	11	7	0	3	0	0	2	1	27
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	54	42	39	40	78	56	41	65	43	53	23	14	548





Details of Return flights for the 12 Accession State 2010													
Country	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Totals
Bulgaria	€ 590			€ 524									€1,114
Cyprus													€0
Czech Rep.	€ 206		€ 940	€ 1,328	€ 367	€ 1,704		€ 351	€ 203		€ 186		€5,285
Estonia										€ 216	€ 292		€ 508
Hungary				€ 183	€ 427		€ 308		€ 143		€ 223		€1,284
Latvia	€ 482	€ 937	€ 735	€ 777	€ 1,113	€ 1,932	€ 1,912	€ 1,613	€ 1,066	€ 1,506	€ 1,578	€ 318	€13,969
Lithuania	€ 1,050	€ 848	€ 206		€ 680	€ 1,047	€ 743		€ 741	€ 1,022	€ 213	€ 475	€7,025
Malta	€ 585												
Poland	€ 568	€ 739	€ 392	€ 643	€ 2,396	€ 2,736	€ 1,373	€ 1,313	€ 1,973	€ 1,836	€ 595	€ 974	€15,538
Romania	€ 8,279	€ 6,137	€ 5,176	€ 3,691	€ 9,685	€ 4,023	€ 5,713	€11,083	€ 4,716	€ 5,757	€ 1,688	€ 1,391	€67,339
Slovakia	€ 187		€ 187		€ 2,519	€ 2,820		€ 1,065			€ 631	€ 479	€7,888
Slovenia													€0
TOTAL	€11,947	€ 8,661	€ 7,636	€ 7,146	€17,187	€14,262	€10,049	€15,425	€ 8,842	€10,337	€ 5,406	€ 3,637	€120,535
Details of Taxi Fares for the 12 Accession State 2010													
Total	€5,907												





Sample Photographs of RIA Accommodation

A Reception Desk in a RIA Centre

A Typical Dining Room

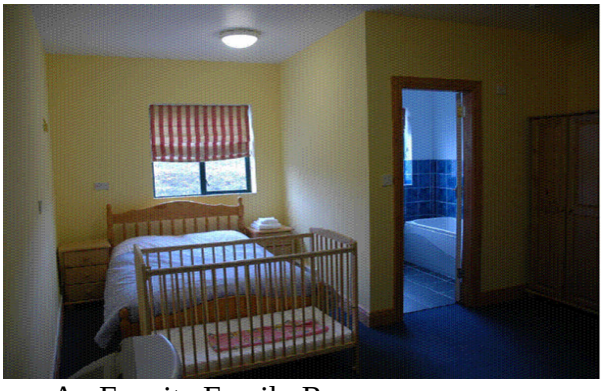
A Common Room in a RIA Centre

An Outdoor Play Area

An Internet Room

Exterior of a RIA Centre

A Typical Canteen



An Ensuite Family Room

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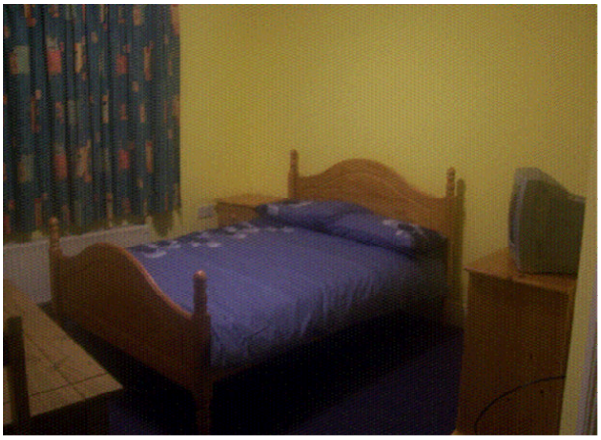
A Kitchen in a RIA Centre

A RIA Centre Exterior

An Indoor Children 's Play Area

A TV & Common Room

A 24 Hour Tea Room



A Typical Double Room

A Laundry Room

A Play School Facility

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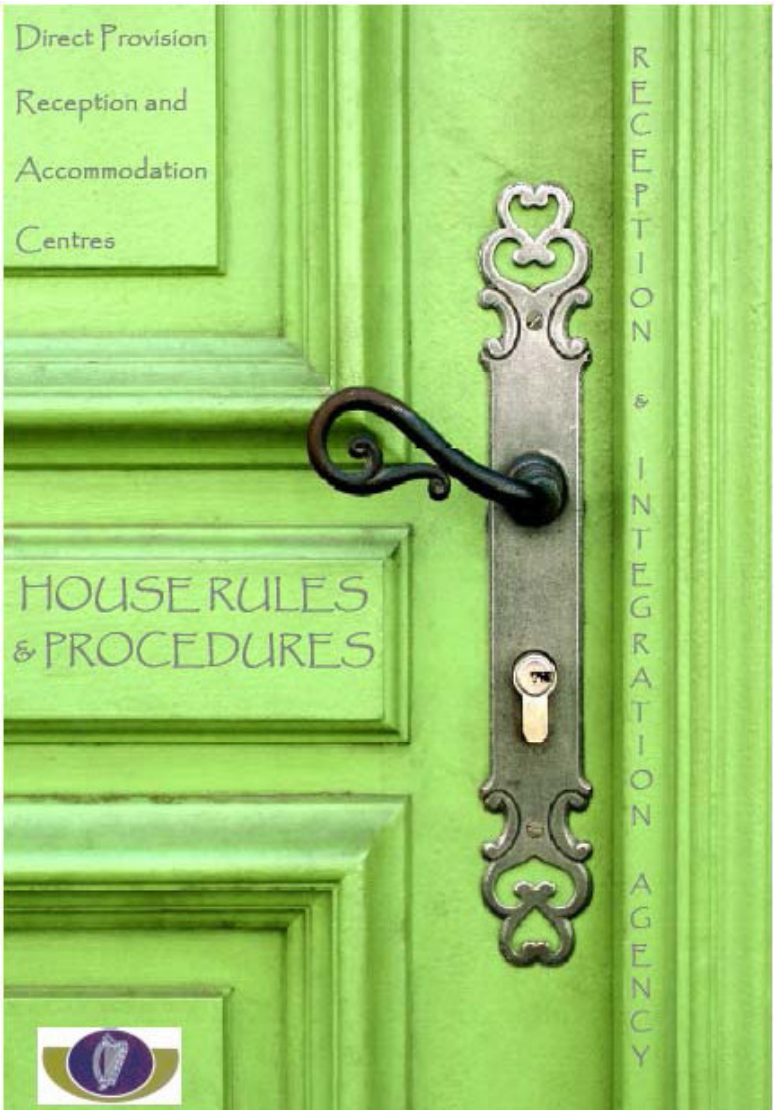

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