

Service Map for Children Living in the Eglinton



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Ireland

Ireland is an island in Western Europe with a population of around 4.7 million. The Island is the second biggest in Europe (second to Great Britain).

The island of Ireland is divided into 32 counties which are grouped together in 4 provinces. The Republic of Ireland consists of 26 counties and occupies approximately 80 % of the island. The other 20 % is Northern Ireland which is part of the United Kingdom. This is often referred to as 'the six counties'.

Capital City: Dublin

Other Major Cities: Galway, Cork, Limerick

Official Language: Irish (or Gaeilge) spoken in specially designated areas of the country, mostly rural and English spoken throughout the country.

Currency: Euro

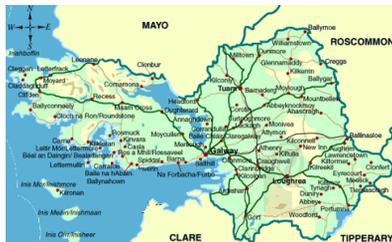
Weather: mild with abundant rain!

Some Common expressions:

Craic – fun, gossip i.e. What's the craic? – tell me your news/gossip
Cúicéile – someone from the countryside
The Pale – the region around Dublin
Bucketing Down/Lashing /Raining cats and dogs – all mean very heavy rain
Gaff – house/home
Greetings: (What's the) story?/What's the craic?/Howya?

As Gaeilge:

Hello - Dia duit (dee-ah guit)
Goodbye - Slán agat (slawn uh-gut)
Cheers - Sílimé (slym-chaí)
School - Scoil (skool)
Friend - a Chara (kar-ra)
Thank you - Go Raibh maith agat (guh rah mah ha-gut)
My name is ____ - _____ is ainm dom (____es en-um dom) _____
Galway - Gaillimh



Galway

Galway is the third largest and the fastest growing city in the Republic of Ireland. It is the only city in Connacht. It is known as "Croi Cultur tha na hEireann", or "Ireland's Cultural Heart", because of its many festivals and events. The most notable festival is the Galway Arts Festival held in July each year.

The city is known for its "Irishness" due to the city strong links to Irish art, music, dance and the Irish language. There is a long and proud tradition of music in Galway. Both The Stunning and The Saw Doctors are from Galway. The city is also known as bilingual as approximately 10 % of her residents speaks Irish.

Transportation

You can reach Dublin (Heuston Station) by a frequent train service. The journey takes approximately 2.5 hours. The service does run on Sundays but with significantly fewer trains. For more information ask for a timetable at Galway Train Station or go to www.irishrail.ie

A similar number of buses travel daily between Galway and Dublin. The journey takes 2.5 hours as well but the buses are significantly cheaper than travel by train. For more information go to www.gobus.ie for cheap fares.

For Fun: Youth Clubs

Youth Work Ireland

41-43 Prospect Hill

Tel: 091 561637 Email: info@youthworkgalway.ie Web: www.youthworkgalway.ie

shOUT!: LGBT Youth Galway

Contacts: Project Workers Tel: 087 773 8529/ 087 320 4575 Email: www.lgbtyouthgalway@gmail.com

shOUT! is a group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning individuals between 14 and 23 years and they meet weekly.

Foroige: Big Brother Big Sister

Contact: Alan Kerins Tel: 091 561002 Email: alan.kerins@foroige.ie

BBBS is a mentoring programme that matches an adult volunteer to a young person (10-18 years). The basic idea is that a friendship will form between the young person and adult volunteer that will promote the positive development of the young person.

Galway Youth Information Centre

Ozanam House, St. Augustine Street

Tel: 091 562434 Email: yicgalway@esatclear.ie Web: www.youthinformation.ie

Information about education, education related entitlements and local youth projects. You can access computers, the internet, photocopying, faxing and scanning services.

Mol an Oige

St. Patrick's Band Hall, Frenchville Lane

Tel: 091 568483

Supervised afterschool activities for children under 12 years of age. Easter and Summer holiday camps are also offered.



Sports & Recreation

Salthill Knocknacarra G.A.A. Club

Contact: Mickey McDonagh, Football Tel: 087 248 5377

Contact: Mike Ward, Hurling Tel: 087 416 4373

Contact: Francis Comerford, Camogie Tel: 087 807 1629



Salthill Devon Football Club

Drom Soccer Park, East Drom, Rahoon Co. Galway

Tel: 091 861862 Email: info@salthilldevon.ie Web: www.salthilldevon.ie

For Help

CAPE Project (Peer Education)

Youth Work Ireland

41-43 Prospect Hill

Contact: Isabel Daly Tel: 087 659 5534 Email: isabeldaly@youthworkgalway.ie

This project provides a safe space for young people, aged 14-21 years, to develop and enhance personal and interpersonal skills. The projects focus is to explore attitudes to drugs and drug use.

Jigsaw

Fairgreen Road

Tel: 091 549252 Text: 087 772 5232 Email: galway@jigsaw.ie Web: www.jigsaw.ie

Jigsaw is a free support service for young people aged 15-25 in Galway City and County. You can drop to chat to or make an appointment with a support worker who can meet you where you feel safe and comfortable. Jigsaw is a safe place for those who are looking for information or someone to talk to.

Drop-in:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10am-6pm
Wednesdays 12pm-6pm
Saturdays 10.30am-3pm

No. 4 Drop-in Centre

4 St Augustine Street

Tel: 091 568483 Email: gdyoutservices@gmail.com Web: www.gdys.org

The drop-in centre provides a welcoming space for young people, ages 15-25, who require support and information in relation to education, training, entitlements and more.

Galway Diocesan Youth Services

Web: www.gdys.org

Support service for young people up to 25 years old targeting personal development and providing support through challenging times. GDYS also provide a counselling service.

Teen Between

Youth Work Ireland

41-43 Prospect Hill

Contact: Deirdre Berimingham Tel: 091 5611637 Email: deirdre.berimingham@youthworkgalway.ie

Listening support service for adolescent children, aged 12-18, of separated parents.

Teen Parent Support

Tel: 091 544 960

Are you pregnant and under 20 years of age? Were you a teenager when you had your baby and is he or she still under 2 years of age? Then the Teen Parents Support Programme may be for you!

Education in Ireland

Children seeking asylum can attend state funded education until the end of secondary school. If you would like to attend third level education, a Post Leaving Certificate course or undergraduate course, you will have to pay non-EU fees which are quite expensive. In order to qualify for 'free-fees' and a maintenance grant you must have legal status in Ireland and satisfy the 'Habitual Residence Condition'. However a small number of grants and scholarships are available from different organisations.

For more information contact: Barnardos, Christchurch Square, Dublin 8
1850 222 3000
info@barnardos.ie
Or
Irish Refugee Council

