

POPULATION AND MIGRATION ESTIMATES NORTHERN IRELAND (2008) – STATISTICAL REPORT



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Executive Summary

1. Between mid-2007 and mid-2008 the number of people living in Northern Ireland is estimated to have increased by 15,900 people (0.9%). The size of the resident population in Northern Ireland at 30 June 2008 is estimated to be 1.775 million people.
2. The population increase between 2007 and 2008 was a result of:
 - natural growth of 10,600 people (25,200 births and 14,600 deaths);
 - net migration gain in Northern Ireland of 5,700 people (27,500 people came to Northern Ireland to live and 21,700 people left); and
 - a net loss of 500 due to other changes, primarily Her Majesty's Forces stationed in Northern Ireland.
3. Population growth due to migration was smaller in 2007-8 (+5,700) than in 2006-7 (+9,800). In the decade to 2004, the overall annual rate of population increase was around 7,000 persons (0.4%) each year. The 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 increases in population were significantly larger at 14,000 people (0.8%), 17,000 people (1.0%), 17,500 people (1.0%) and 15,900 people (0.9%) respectively.
4. Within Northern Ireland, Craigavon Local Government District had the biggest increase in population (+2.3%) while Dungannon (+2.0%), Magherafelt (+1.7%) and Newry and Mourne (+1.9%) Local Government Districts all experienced population growth greater than 1.5%.
5. More detailed analysis and figures are attached.

Introduction

This report outlines some of the main findings in the 2008 mid-year estimates of population and migration for Northern Ireland. All the statistics presented are available in MS Excel format on the NISRA website at <http://www.nisra.gov.uk/demography/default.asp.htm>. Also available on the website is a detailed methodology report on population estimates and a report on the sources used to estimate migration in Northern Ireland.

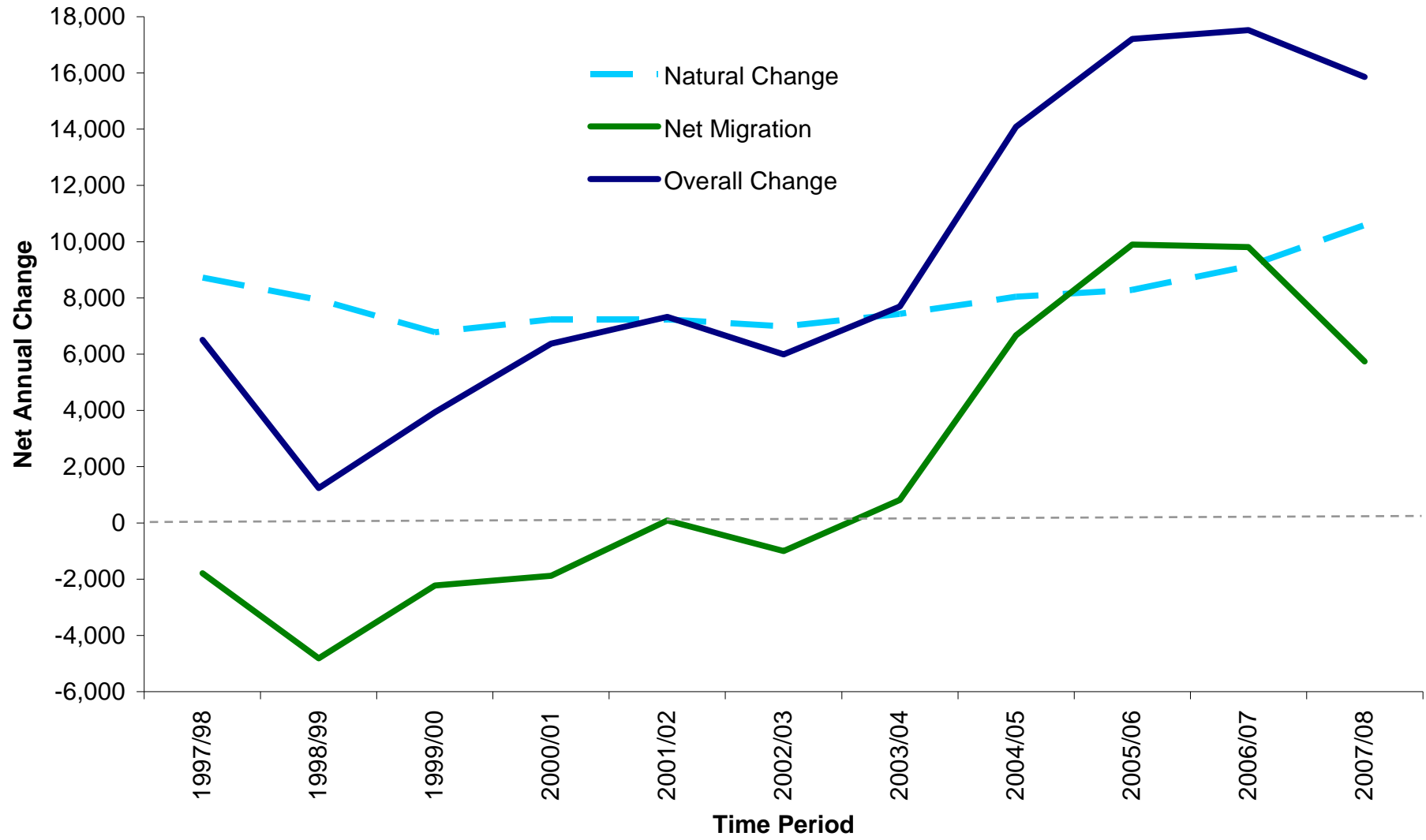
Northern Ireland level

- between mid-2007 and mid-2008 the number of people living in Northern Ireland is estimated to have increased by 15,900 people (0.9%). The size of the resident population in Northern Ireland at 30 June 2008 is estimated to be 1.775 million people;

- the population increase between 2007 and 2008 was a result of the following factors:
 - a. natural growth of 10,600 people (25,200 births and 14,600 deaths);
 - b. net migration gain in Northern Ireland of 5,700 people (27,500 people came to Northern Ireland to live and 21,700 people left); and
 - c. a net loss of 500 due to other changes, primarily Her Majesty's Forces stationed in Northern Ireland.

- Figure 1 shows the components of population change between 1997/98 and 2007/08. Prior to 2004, population increase was mostly due to natural change i.e. the number of births minus the number of deaths. However, in 2005/6 and 2006/7 the contribution from migration was larger than the contribution from natural change;

Figure 1: Components of Population Change (1997/98 to 2007/08)



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- between 2007 and 2008 the number of children¹ has increased by 0.3% (from 380,100 to 381,100). In the ten-year period between 1998 and 2008 the number of children has fallen from 411,300 to 381,100 a decrease of 7.3%. This overall fall since 1998 reflects the declining number of babies born in the late 1980s and 1990s;
- however, the latest birth figures show a significant rise in the number of babies born since 2001. It is estimated that with the current pattern of fertility the “average” woman will have 2.11 children in her lifetime. The number of babies born between mid-2007 and mid-2008 (25,200) is 17% higher than the number born between mid-2000 and mid-2001 (21,500);
- between 2007 and 2008 the working age² population has increased by 0.8% (from 1,089,400 to 1,098,100). The main drivers of this growth are a surplus of people aging into against out of working ages, and net migration of persons of working age. In the ten-year period between 1998 and 2008 the working age population has increased from 1,009,900 to 1,098,100 a rise of 8.7%;
- between 2007 and 2008 the pensioner³ population has increased by 2.1% (from 289,700 to 295,800). In the ten-year period between 1998 and 2008 the pensioner population has increased from 256,600 to 295,800 a rise of 15.3%;
- between 2007 and 2008 the very elderly⁴ population has increased by 2.6% (from 27,300 to 28,000). In the ten-year period between 1998 and 2008 the very elderly population has increased from 23,200 to 28,000 a rise of 20.5%;

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

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

³ Pensioners are defined as the male population aged 65 and over and the female population aged 60 and over.

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

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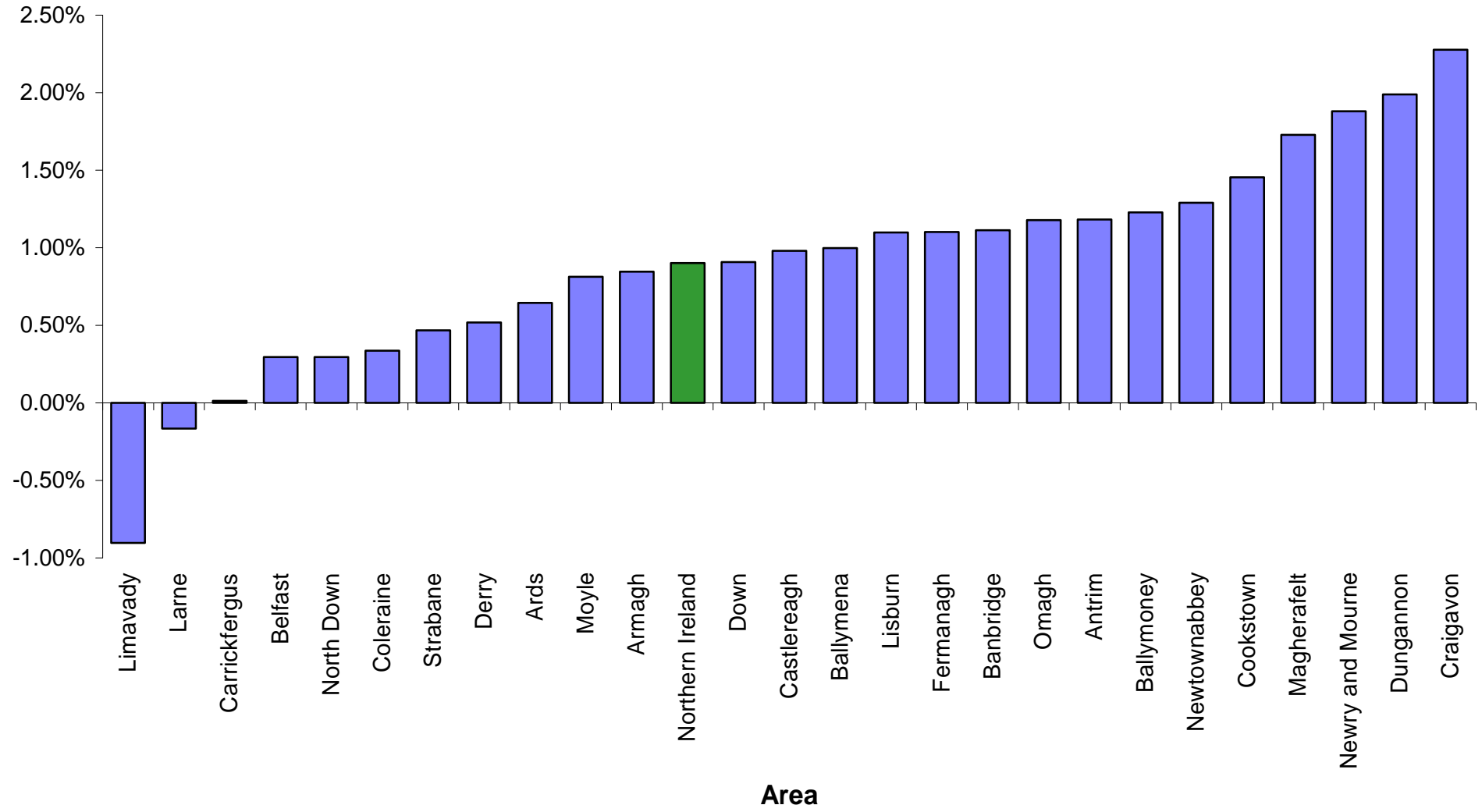
- the overall death rate in Northern Ireland has fallen significantly over the last 30 years from 11 deaths per 1,000 population in 1978 to 8 deaths per 1,000 population in 2008.
- the median age (the age at which half the population is older and half is younger) of the Northern Ireland population has increased from 28 to 36 years over the last three decades.

Local Government Districts (change in population size)

- between 2007 and 2008, Craigavon and Dungannon Local Government Districts had the greatest increases in population (+2.3% and +2.0% respectively). These rates of increase are more than twice the Northern Ireland percentage increase (+0.9%);
- other districts that experienced population increases of over 1.5% included Newry and Mourne (+1.9%) and Magherafelt (+1.7%) Local Government Districts;
- in contrast between 2007 and 2008 Limavady (-0.9%) and Larne (-0.2%) Local Government Districts experienced a loss in population;
- Figure 2 shows the overall percentage population change for all Local Government Districts within Northern Ireland between 2007 and 2008;

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Figure 2: Overall percentage change in population size between 2007 and 2008 of Local Areas

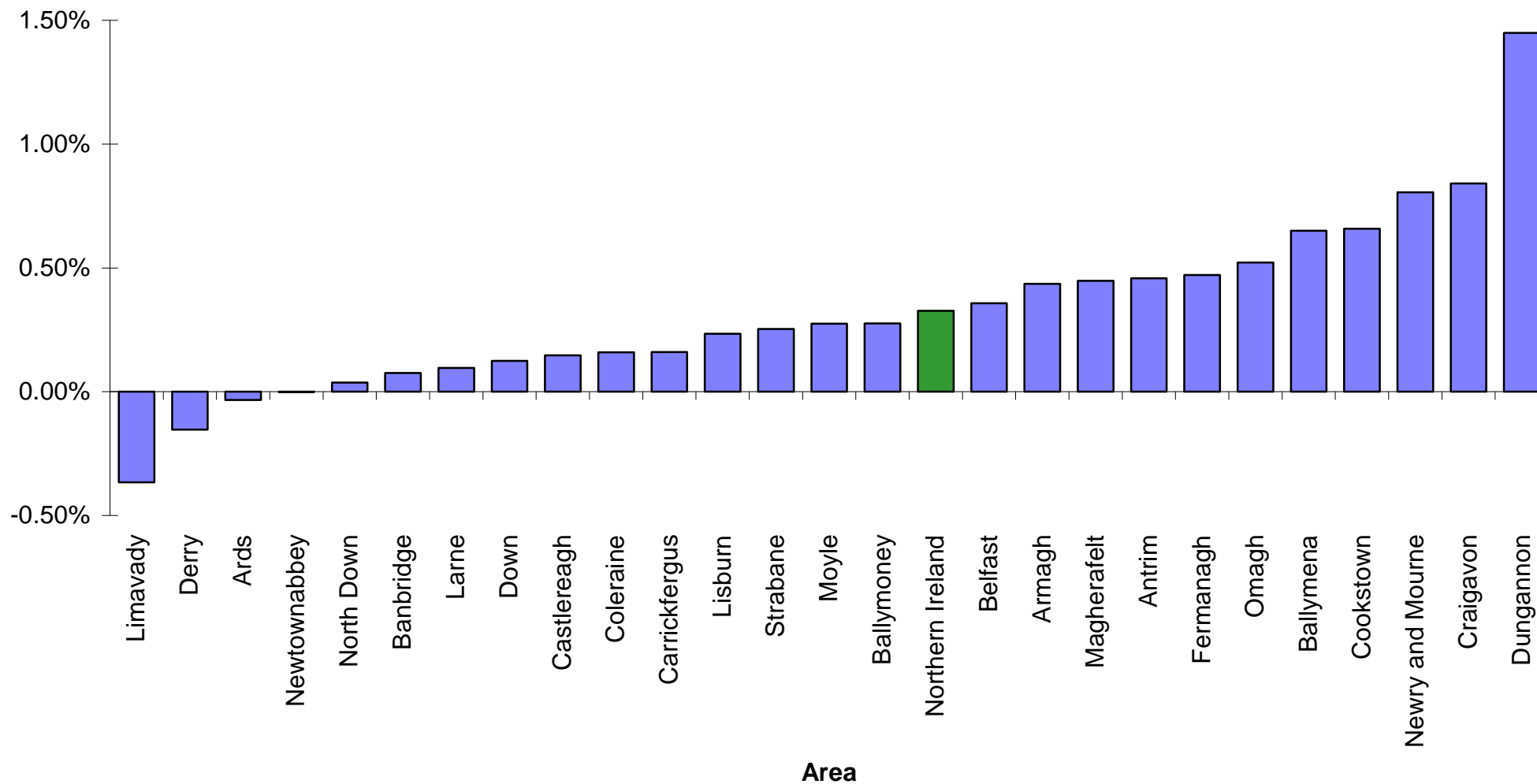


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- all Local Government Districts in Northern Ireland experienced a natural increase in population (births less deaths). The largest natural increase of population was in Belfast Local Government District, with natural increases of almost 1,000 people;
- Newry and Mourne Local Government District had the highest proportion of children among its population (24.2%), while North Down Local Government District had the lowest proportion (18.4%);
- North Down Local Government District had the highest proportion of the population of pensionable age (20.9%), while Derry Local Government District had the lowest proportion (13.4%).
- Figure 3 shows the overall percentage change in population size alongside the percentage of migration from outside Northern Ireland to each area as a percentage of the population;
- Craigavon Local Government District had the largest percentage of natural change and this is the main driver for its population increase, closely followed by migration from outside Northern Ireland. Dungannon Local Government District had the largest percentage of migration from outside Northern Ireland. In contrast Limavady, Derry, Ards and Newtownabbey Local Government Districts lost people through migration from outside Northern Ireland (as shown in Table 4);

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Figure 3: International migration as percentage change of population size between 2007 and 2008 by Local Areas



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Parliamentary Constituencies

- Upper Bann had the greatest proportionate increase in population of the Parliamentary Constituencies (+2.0%), whilst three Parliamentary Constituencies showed a decrease in population between 2007 and 2008 – Belfast South (-0.3%), Belfast West (-0.3%) and East Londonderry (-0.1%);
- all Parliamentary Constituencies in Northern Ireland experienced a natural increase in population (births less deaths). The largest natural increase of population was in Upper Bann Parliamentary Constituency with a natural increase of just over 1,000 people;
- Belfast West Parliamentary Constituency had the highest proportion of children among its population (24.1%), while Belfast South had the lowest proportion (16.2%);
- North Down Parliamentary Constituency had the highest proportion of the population of pensionable age (21.2%) while Foyle Parliamentary Constituency had the lowest proportion (13.4%).

The following tables⁵ and figures are attached:

Table 1: Northern Ireland mid-year population estimates, by gender and 5-year agebands, 2008

Table 2: Components of population change, Northern Ireland, 1997 to 2008

Table 3: Components of population change, by area, 2007 to 2008

Table 4: Detailed migration, by area, 2007 to 2008

Table 5: Local population estimates for selected age groups, by area, 2008

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

Table 1 Northern Ireland Mid-Year Population Estimates, by Gender and Five Year Age Bands, 2008

Age Group	Males	Females	Persons
0-4	61,200	58,100	119,300
5-9	58,100	55,200	113,300
10-14	63,300	59,900	123,200
15-19	64,700	61,900	126,600
20-24	67,800	65,000	132,900
25-29	61,200	60,900	122,000
30-34	56,200	57,100	113,300
35-39	62,200	63,800	126,000
40-44	64,300	67,000	131,300
45-49	59,900	62,700	122,700
50-54	53,600	54,100	107,700
55-59	47,800	48,600	96,500
60-64	44,300	47,000	91,400
65-69	35,200	38,800	73,900
70-74	28,300	33,300	61,600
75-79	20,900	28,700	49,500
80-84	13,300	22,400	35,700
85-89	6,300	13,200	19,500
90+	2,100	6,400	8,500
All Ages	870,900	904,100	1,775,000

Table 2 Components of Population Change, Northern Ireland, 1997 to 2008

Year	Population at start of period	Births ¹	Deaths ¹	Natural Change	Migration	Other Changes ²	Population at end of period	Population Change	
								Number	%
Mid 1997 to Mid 1998	1,671,300	23,800	15,100	8,700	-1,800	-400	1,677,800	6,500	0.4
Mid 1998 to Mid 1999	1,677,800	23,400	15,500	7,900	-4,800	-1,900	1,679,000	1,200	0.1
Mid 1999 to Mid 2000	1,679,000	22,300	15,500	6,800	-2,200	-600	1,682,900	3,900	0.2
Mid 2000 to Mid 2001	1,682,900	21,600	14,300	7,200	-1,900	1,000	1,689,300	6,400	0.4
Mid 2001 to Mid 2002	1,689,300	21,500	14,200	7,200	100	0	1,696,600	7,300	0.4
Mid 2002 to Mid 2003	1,696,600	21,500	14,500	7,000	-1,000	0	1,702,600	6,000	0.4
Mid 2003 to Mid 2004	1,702,600	22,000	14,600	7,400	800	-600	1,710,300	7,700	0.5
Mid 2004 to Mid 2005	1,710,300	22,400	14,400	8,000	6,700	-600	1,724,400	14,100	0.8
Mid 2005 to Mid 2006	1,724,400	22,700	14,400	8,300	9,900	-1,000	1,741,600	17,200	1.0
Mid 2006 to Mid 2007	1,741,600	23,800	14,700	9,100	9,800	-1,400	1,759,100	17,500	1.0
Mid 2007 to Mid 2008	1,759,100	25,200	14,600	10,600	5,700	-500	1,775,000	15,900	0.9

¹ Mid year to mid year.

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

Table 3 Components of Population Change, by Area, 2007 to 2008

Area	Population at start of period June 2007	Births ¹ 2007/2008	Deaths ¹ 2007/2008	Natural Change 2007/2008	Net Migration 2007/2008	Other Changes ² 2007/2008	Population at end of period June 2008	Population Change	
								Number	%
Northern Ireland	1,759,100	25,200	14,600	10,600	5,700	-500	1,775,000	15,900	0.9
Local Government District									
Antrim	52,600	800	400	500	400	-200	53,200	600	1.2
Ards	77,100	1,000	700	300	300	-100	77,600	500	0.6
Armagh	57,700	900	500	400	200	-200	58,200	500	0.8
Ballymena	62,100	900	500	300	300	0	62,700	600	1.0
Ballymoney	29,700	400	200	200	200	0	30,100	400	1.2
Banbridge	46,400	700	300	400	200	-100	47,000	500	1.1
Belfast	267,500	3,800	2,800	1,000	0	-200	268,300	800	0.3
Carrickfergus	40,000	500	400	100	0	-100	40,000	0	0.0
Castlereagh	65,600	800	600	200	400	0	66,200	600	1.0
Coleraine	56,800	700	500	300	-100	0	57,000	200	0.3
Cookstown	35,400	500	300	200	300	0	35,900	500	1.5
Craigavon	88,800	1,500	600	900	1,100	0	90,800	2,000	2.3
Derry	108,500	1,600	800	900	-300	0	109,100	600	0.5
Down	69,200	1,000	500	400	200	0	69,800	600	0.9
Dungannon	54,300	900	400	500	500	100	55,400	1,100	2.0
Fermanagh	61,300	900	500	300	300	100	62,000	700	1.1
Larne	31,300	400	300	100	-100	-100	31,300	-100	-0.2
Limavady	34,400	500	200	300	-200	-400	34,100	-300	-0.9
Lisburn	113,500	1,800	800	900	400	-100	114,800	1,200	1.1
Magherafelt	43,100	700	300	400	300	100	43,800	700	1.7
Moyle	16,700	200	100	100	100	0	16,900	100	0.8
Newry and Mourne	95,500	1,600	700	900	600	300	97,300	1,800	1.9
Newtownabbey	81,700	1,100	700	400	400	200	82,700	1,100	1.3
North Down	78,700	900	800	100	200	-100	78,900	200	0.3
Omagh	51,500	700	300	400	200	100	52,100	600	1.2
Strabane	39,400	500	300	200	-100	0	39,600	200	0.5

¹ Mid 2007 to 2008.

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

Table 3 Components of Population Change, by Area, 2007 to 2008

Area	Population at start of period June 2007	Births ¹ 2007/2008	Deaths ¹ 2007/2008	Natural Change 2007/2008	Net Migration 2007/2008	Other Changes ² 2007/2008	Population at end of period June 2008	Population Change	
								Number	%
Health and Social Services Boards									
Eastern	671,600	9,200	6,300	2,900	1,400	-300	675,600	4,000	0.6
Northern	449,600	6,200	3,700	2,500	1,800	-100	453,800	4,200	0.9
Southern	342,800	5,500	2,500	3,000	2,700	200	348,700	5,900	1.7
Western	295,200	4,200	2,200	2,100	-100	-200	296,900	1,700	0.6
Education and Library Boards									
Belfast	267,500	3,800	2,800	1,000	0	-200	268,300	800	0.3
North Eastern	414,200	5,700	3,400	2,300	1,500	-100	417,900	3,700	0.9
South Eastern	404,000	5,500	3,500	2,000	1,400	-200	407,300	3,200	0.8
Southern	378,200	6,000	2,800	3,300	3,000	200	384,600	6,400	1.7
Western	295,200	4,200	2,200	2,100	-100	-200	296,900	1,700	0.6
NUTS III Areas									
Belfast	267,500	3,800	2,800	1,000	0	-200	268,300	800	0.3
East of N. Ireland	427,700	6,200	3,400	2,800	2,400	-300	432,500	4,900	1.1
North of N. Ireland	285,700	4,000	2,100	1,900	-400	-400	286,800	1,100	0.4
Outer Belfast	379,500	5,100	3,300	1,800	1,400	0	382,600	3,200	0.8
West & South of N. Ireland	398,800	6,100	3,000	3,100	2,400	400	404,700	5,900	1.5

¹ Mid 2007 to 2008.

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Table 3 Components of Population Change, by Area, 2007 to 2008

Area	Population at start of period June 2007	Births ¹ 2007/2008	Deaths ¹ 2007/2008	Natural Change 2007/2008	Net Migration 2007/2008	Other Changes ² 2007/2008	Population at end of period June 2008	Population Change	
								Number	%
Parliamentary Constituencies³									
Belfast East	78,200	1,100	900	200	800	-100	79,200	900	1.2
Belfast North	82,500	1,200	1,000	300	700	0	83,500	1,000	1.3
Belfast South	91,800	1,100	800	300	-500	-100	91,500	-300	-0.3
Belfast West	84,500	1,300	800	500	-600	-200	84,200	-200	-0.3
East Antrim	87,100	1,100	800	300	-100	0	87,200	200	0.2
East Londonderry	91,200	1,200	700	500	-300	-400	91,100	-100	-0.1
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	100,000	1,500	800	700	600	100	101,400	1,400	1.4
Foyle	108,500	1,600	800	900	-300	0	109,100	600	0.5
Lagan Valley	108,800	1,600	800	800	600	-100	110,100	1,300	1.2
Mid Ulster	94,100	1,500	700	800	800	100	95,700	1,600	1.7
Newry & Armagh	108,500	1,800	800	900	700	-100	110,000	1,500	1.4
North Antrim	108,600	1,500	900	600	600	-100	109,700	1,100	1.0
North Down	88,900	1,100	1,000	100	200	-100	89,100	200	0.2
South Antrim	106,100	1,600	800	800	600	0	107,400	1,300	1.2
South Down	114,700	1,700	800	900	400	200	116,200	1,400	1.3
Strangford	101,800	1,300	800	400	300	100	102,600	800	0.8
Upper Bann	112,900	1,800	800	1,000	1,200	0	115,100	2,300	2.0
West Tyrone	90,900	1,200	700	600	100	100	91,700	800	0.9

¹ Mid 2007 to 2008.

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

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

Table 4

Detailed Migration, 2007 to 2008

Area	Population at June 2008	Net Internal Migration ¹ 2007/2008	Net External Migration ² 2007/2008	Net Total Migration 2007/2008
Northern Ireland	1,775,000	0	5,700	5,700
Local Government Districts				
Antrim	53,200	100	200	400
Ards	77,600	300	0	300
Armagh	58,200	0	300	200
Ballymena	62,700	-100	400	300
Ballymoney	30,100	100	100	200
Banbridge	47,000	200	0	200
Belfast	268,300	-1,000	1,000	0
Carrickfergus	40,000	-100	100	0
Castlereagh	66,200	300	100	400
Coleraine	57,000	-200	100	-100
Cookstown	35,900	100	200	300
Craigavon	90,800	400	700	1,100
Derry	109,100	-200	-200	-300
Down	69,800	100	100	200
Dungannon	55,400	-300	800	500
Fermanagh	62,000	0	300	300
Larne	31,300	-100	0	-100
Limavady	34,100	0	-100	-200
Lisburn	114,800	100	300	400
Magherafelt	43,800	100	200	300
Moyle	16,900	100	0	100
Newry and Mourne	97,300	-100	800	600
Newtownabbey	82,700	400	0	400
North Down	78,900	200	0	200
Omagh	52,100	-100	300	200
Strabane	39,600	-200	100	-100

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

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

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Detailed Migration, 2007 to 2008

Area	Population at June 2008	Net Internal Migration ¹ 2007/2008	Net External Migration ² 2007/2008	Net Total Migration 2007/2008
Health and Social Services Boards				
Eastern	675,600	0	1,400	1,400
Northern	453,800	400	1,400	1,800
Southern	348,700	100	2,600	2,700
Western	296,900	-500	400	-100
Education and Library Boards				
Belfast	268,300	-1,000	1,000	0
North Eastern	417,900	300	1,100	1,500
South Eastern	407,300	1,000	500	1,400
Southern	384,600	200	2,800	3,000
Western	296,900	-500	400	-100
NUTS III Areas				
Belfast	268,300	-1,000	1,000	0
East of N. Ireland	432,500	800	1,500	2,400
North of N. Ireland	286,800	-400	0	-400
Outer Belfast	382,600	900	500	1,400
West & South of N. Ireland	404,700	-400	2,800	2,400

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Area	Population at June 2008	Net Internal Migration ¹ 2007/2008	Net External Migration ² 2007/2008	Net Total Migration 2007/2008
Parliamentary Constituencies³				
Belfast East	79,200	400	400	800
Belfast North	83,500	300	400	700
Belfast South	91,500	-700	200	-500
Belfast West	84,200	-600	0	-600
East Antrim	87,200	-100	0	-100
East Londonderry	91,100	-200	0	-300
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	101,400	-300	900	600
Foyle	109,100	-200	-200	-300
Lagan Valley	110,100	300	300	600
Mid Ulster	95,700	200	600	800
Newry & Armagh	110,000	-100	800	700
North Antrim	109,700	100	500	600
North Down	89,100	200	0	200
South Antrim	107,400	300	200	600
South Down	116,200	100	300	400
Strangford	102,600	300	0	300
Upper Bann	115,100	500	800	1,200
West Tyrone	91,700	-300	400	100

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Table 5 Local Population Estimates for Selected Age Groups, by Area, 2008

Area	Numbers				Percentages		
	All Ages	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³
Northern Ireland	1,775,000	381,100	1,098,100	295,800	21.5	61.9	16.7
Local Government Districts							
Antrim	53,200	12,400	33,100	7,800	23.3	62.2	14.6
Ards	77,600	15,300	47,600	14,700	19.7	61.4	18.9
Armagh	58,200	13,600	35,200	9,400	23.4	60.5	16.1
Ballymena	62,700	12,900	38,000	11,800	20.6	60.6	18.8
Ballymoney	30,100	6,600	18,400	5,100	21.9	61.3	16.8
Banbridge	47,000	10,400	29,300	7,300	22.1	62.3	15.6
Belfast	268,300	52,400	168,800	47,100	19.5	62.9	17.6
Carrickfergus	40,000	8,200	24,800	7,000	20.4	62.0	17.5
Castlereagh	66,200	13,000	39,900	13,300	19.6	60.3	20.1
Coleraine	57,000	11,600	34,300	11,100	20.4	60.1	19.5
Cookstown	35,900	8,200	22,500	5,300	22.7	62.6	14.7
Craigavon	90,800	20,100	56,500	14,300	22.1	62.2	15.7
Derry	109,100	25,700	68,700	14,600	23.6	63.0	13.4
Down	69,800	15,400	43,000	11,400	22.0	61.6	16.4
Dungannon	55,400	12,600	34,700	8,100	22.7	62.7	14.5
Fermanagh	62,000	13,200	38,300	10,500	21.3	61.8	16.9
Larne	31,300	6,000	19,200	6,000	19.3	61.4	19.3
Limavady	34,100	7,800	21,600	4,700	23.0	63.2	13.8
Lisburn	114,800	26,200	70,500	18,100	22.8	61.5	15.7
Magherafelt	43,800	10,200	27,600	6,100	23.3	62.9	13.9
Moyle	16,900	3,500	10,200	3,200	20.6	60.2	19.2
Newry and Mourne	97,300	23,500	60,100	13,700	24.2	61.7	14.1
Newtownabbey	82,700	16,800	50,900	15,000	20.3	61.5	18.1
North Down	78,900	14,500	47,900	16,500	18.4	60.7	20.9
Omagh	52,100	11,900	32,700	7,500	22.8	62.7	14.5
Strabane	39,600	9,200	24,200	6,200	23.2	61.2	15.7

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Area	Numbers				Percentages		
	All Ages	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³	Children ¹	Working Age ²	Pensioners ³
Health and Social Services Boards							
Eastern	675,600	136,700	417,800	121,100	20.2	61.8	17.9
Northern	453,800	96,400	279,000	78,400	21.2	61.5	17.3
Southern	348,700	80,200	215,700	52,700	23.0	61.9	15.1
Western	296,900	67,800	185,600	43,500	22.8	62.5	14.7
Education and Library Boards							
Belfast	268,300	52,400	168,800	47,100	19.5	62.9	17.6
North Eastern	417,900	88,200	256,500	73,200	21.1	61.4	17.5
South Eastern	407,300	84,300	249,000	74,000	20.7	61.1	18.2
Southern	384,600	88,300	238,300	58,000	23.0	62.0	15.1
Western	296,900	67,800	185,600	43,500	22.8	62.5	14.7
NUTS III Areas							
Belfast	268,300	52,400	168,800	47,100	19.5	62.9	17.6
East of N. Ireland	432,500	92,500	266,700	73,300	21.4	61.7	17.0
North of N. Ireland	286,800	64,400	177,400	44,900	22.5	61.9	15.7
Outer Belfast	382,600	78,600	234,100	69,900	20.5	61.2	18.3
West & South of N. Ireland	404,700	93,100	251,100	60,600	23.0	62.0	15.0

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

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³ Pensioners are defined as the male population aged 65 and over and the female population aged 60 and over.

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Parliamentary Constituencies⁴							
Belfast East	79,200	14,500	48,000	16,700	18.3	60.7	21.1
Belfast North	83,500	17,900	49,500	16,100	21.4	59.3	19.3
Belfast South	91,500	14,800	61,700	15,000	16.2	67.4	16.4
Belfast West	84,200	20,300	51,400	12,500	24.1	61.0	14.9
East Antrim	87,200	17,600	54,000	15,600	20.2	61.9	17.9
East Londonderry	91,100	19,500	55,900	15,800	21.4	61.3	17.3
Fermanagh & South Tyrone	101,400	21,700	63,300	16,500	21.4	62.4	16.2
Foyle	109,100	25,700	68,700	14,600	23.6	63.0	13.4
Lagan Valley	110,100	24,100	67,500	18,400	21.9	61.4	16.7
Mid Ulster	95,700	22,400	59,900	13,400	23.4	62.5	14.1
Newry and Armagh	110,000	26,300	67,100	16,600	23.9	61.0	15.1
North Antrim	109,700	23,000	66,600	20,100	20.9	60.7	18.4
North Down	89,100	16,300	53,900	18,900	18.3	60.5	21.2
South Antrim	107,400	23,400	66,900	17,100	21.8	62.3	16.0
South Down	116,200	26,600	71,900	17,700	22.9	61.8	15.3
Strangford	102,600	20,500	63,300	18,900	20.0	61.6	18.4
Upper Bann	115,100	25,400	71,700	18,000	22.0	62.3	15.7
West Tyrone	91,700	21,100	56,900	13,700	22.9	62.1	15.0

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

NOTES TO EDITORS

1. The Northern Ireland mid-year population estimate relates to the usually resident population of Northern Ireland including Her Majesty's Forces stationed here. Births and deaths recorded are those registered by the General Register Office between mid-2007 and mid-2008.
2. Following international guidelines migration statistics relate only to long-term migrants (i.e. someone who changes their place of residence for a year or more (Recommendations on Statistics of International Migration, United Nations, 1998)).
3. This information can also be accessed on the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency's website at:
<http://www.nisra.gov.uk/demography/default.asp17.htm>
4. A separate paper with more detailed statistics on measures of long-term migration will be published in August 2009. This updates analysis undertaken by NISRA last year entitled "International Migration Estimates for Northern Ireland (2007-8) – Sources and Methodology", which can be found at:
<http://www.nisra.gov.uk/demography/default.asp18.htm>
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