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The Economic and Social Research Institute was founded in 1960, as The Economic Research Institute, with the help of a grant from the Ford Foundation of New York. In 1966 the Institute assumed responsibility for social research and extended its title to The Economic and Social Research Institute.

The aim of the ESRI is to bring the latest thinking in economics and the social sciences to the actual and potential problems of Irish society. The Institute's research has been a vital constituent in the national debate for the past 40 years. Its goals are academic excellence, independence, objectivity, relevance to policy and widespread dissemination of results.

The Institute is a private company, limited by guarantee. It is a not for profit organisation with charitable status. The ESRI is governed by a Council consisting of up to 30 members, in addition to the President and the Director, appointed from the general members of the Institute and representative of the social partners, Government Departments, State agencies, universities and other research institutes. A committee of the Council, the Executive Committee, carries out the functions of the Institute's Board of Directors. The Institute receives an annual grant-in-aid from the Irish Government, which covered 33 per cent of total expenditure in 2001. The remainder of the Institute's income comes from commissioned research projects, sponsorship of Institute activities by Irish business, membership subscriptions and sales of publications.

The ESRI's most important resource is its research staff, whose high levels of expertise allow them to work to international standards of excellence. The results of the Institute's research have been included in over 500 reports published by the ESRI, including the *Quarterly Economic Commentary* and the *Medium-Term Review of the Irish Economy*, as well as in numerous books and articles in academic journals, published in Ireland and abroad.

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The value of the Institute's work was well illustrated in the year 2001, which saw a transformation in the fortunes of the Irish economy. In the early months, economic expansion continued at a blistering, double-digit pace; by the end of the year the rate of growth had slowed to zero. This precipitate deceleration was attributable to the combined effects of the foot and mouth outbreak, the slowdown in the global economy (which was especially marked in the high-tech sector) and the terrorist attacks of September 11. ESRI research tracking the effects of these changes, such as the *Quarterly Economic Commentary* and the *Medium-Term Review*, were widely quoted in the media. Interviews with the authors were eagerly sought so that they could explain events and assess their implications for the country's future. The national healthcare system was also the focus for much public discussion during the year and, as described in detail below, a number of Institute publications addressed this subject. Another topic of on-going interest was the labour market and studies were carried out relating to employment forecasting, employability and the development of skills. In all, more than twenty monographs were published in addition to over eighty articles and book chapters and well over a hundred papers to conferences and learned societies.

FOREWORD



Professor Brendan J. Whelan, Director

This broad range of work, further described in the rest of this Report, clearly illustrates the Institute's mission: to deepen the understanding of Irish society and to contribute to the policy debate. It is often mistakenly believed that we are a fully funded, State-sponsored body. This is not the case. The ESRI is formally a private registered company, limited by guarantee. While an annual grant-in-aid from the Department of Finance accounts for about one-third of the organisation's costs, the bulk of them are nowadays covered by fees from commissioned work, supplemented by membership subscriptions and contributions to fund-raising initiatives. This funding structure has advantages in that it diversifies our sources of support, ensures that the research is relevant to the client's needs and that it is carried out in a timely and efficient way.

It has, however, some serious disadvantages. Our commitment to publish all work undertaken limits the type of commissioned project for which we can tender, especially on behalf of the private sector. Even public sector clients, having received a report which is satisfactory to them, are sometimes unwilling to accept the additional cost of bringing the research to peer-reviewed publication standard in terms of finish and presentation. Increasingly, national funding for academic research is directed at covering only the marginal costs of research and excludes the cost of permanent staff and other overheads. Similarly, EU research grants under the Framework programmes cover only 50 per cent of total cost, it being assumed that the balance can be obtained by the researchers from national sources. No such sources are available to the Institute.

These restrictions on sources of funding caused particular difficulties in 2001, when ESRI finances were hit by a number of cost-increasing developments, such as salary increases resulting from national agreements; the increase in employer's PRSI, the imposition of VAT on commissioned research services and increases in superannuation costs. It was only through exceptional efforts by the staff, and particularly by the Survey Unit, that sufficient new contracts were secured to limit the Institute's deficit to just over €100,000. In the longer term, if the Institute is to continue to fulfil its public-good role, it will be vital to strengthen the funding basis, particularly through increases in untied funding. The ESRI Executive has often expressed the view that the appropriate level of grant-in-aid should be closer to 50 than to 30 per cent. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss with Government how this might be achieved.



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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR

During the year 2001, ESRI staff published twenty-six books or monographs, either in the Institute's own series or with external publishers. In addition, seventy-five journal articles or book chapters were published along with one hundred and sixty conference and other papers. Five new titles were added to the Institute's Working Papers series. The website www.esri.ie was revised and substantially expanded. As well as giving details of the Institute, it now lists all publications by series, by author and by research area and provides detailed summaries of all recent monographs. This made the publication of a separate "Review of Research" volume superfluous. The present volume therefore comprises the Report of the Council outlining the main events in the Institute during the year, a Review of Research comprising an overview of the work done in the principal research areas, and five Appendices A to E giving, respectively, the staff list, a listing of all publications produced during the year, a listing of the projects worked on in 2001, a listing of members and the Financial Statements.

Among the main events which took place during the year were the following:

- In May, a conference entitled *Green and Bear It?* was held in the Institute. It focused on the issues which arise with the implementation of economic instruments for environmental purposes. Economists have displayed great ingenuity in devising taxation and other proposals for achieving environmental objectives. However, few of these schemes are actually implemented and the Conference tried to address the question of why this is so. Papers were presented by Irish and overseas experts and included a review of experience in the UK by Professor

David Pearce of University College London, an analysis of the situation in Ireland by officials from the OECD and a paper on "Acceptability and Implementation" by Professor Frank Convery of UCD. ESRI presenters included Professor J. Fitz Gerald, Mr. J. Hore and Mr. D. McCoy who spoke about tradable emission permits and Ms S. Scott and Mr J. Eakins who examined the effects on household income of economic instruments.

- Later that month, the Taoiseach Mr Bertie Ahern T.D. visited the Institute to launch the publication *Analysis of the Economic, Employment and Social Profile of the Greater Dublin Area*. This study was jointly sponsored by the three regional authorities operating in Dublin. It looked at the settlement patterns and distribution of economic activity in the region utilising new data including a comprehensive database of firms. It produced new data on commuting patterns showing that significant commuting to the city is now occurring from locations as much as 60 miles away. The study makes policy recommendations regarding clustering of settlement, urban density and other matters.
- In September, the eighth *Medium-Term Review 2001-2007* of the Irish economy was launched. Appearing biennially, these *Reviews* are based on the ESRI's macro-economic model. They provide detailed projections of the economy for a five to ten year time horizon and contain detailed discussion of the policy options for that period. The *Review 2001-2007* explored a number of scenarios and concluded that economic growth would average about 5 per cent in the period up to 2005, 4 per cent between 2005 and 2010 and thereafter revert to the EU average growth rate of about 3 per cent. It advocated a broadly neutral fiscal policy, which would represent a significant degree of restraint compared with the experience of the last five years. It also suggested that a transparent and fair policy on immigration should be developed, that the flexibility of the labour market should be improved and that regulatory and fiscal reform should target both productivity improvements and

environmental enhancements. The *Review* received widespread media attention. Its results also feed into a number of other Institute publications including the FÁS/ESRI Manpower projections and the on-going work on energy policy.

- In October, a well attended conference, organised in collaboration with the Foundation for Fiscal Studies, took place. Entitled *Budget Perspectives* it focused on the economic and policy background to the forthcoming Budget and comprised four papers. The first related to the general macro-economic background to the Budget and synthesised the conclusions of the *QEC* and *MTR*. The second paper examined the constraints on Irish fiscal policy including the manner in which the EU's Stability and Growth Pact is implemented and the constraints imposed by other international developments. The third contribution used the ESRI's *SWITCH* model to assess the impact of changes in tax and welfare policy in the current context. The final paper presented some options for the reform and renewal of the health services.
- The Survey Unit won, on the basis of competitive tender, a contract from the Department of the Environment and Local Government to carry out the largest social survey it has ever attempted. The survey aims to provide a detailed picture of the country's dwelling stock in terms of size, quality, and amenities. A massive sample of 37,000 dwellings is to be visited and detailed analysis provided at the level of individual local authority areas. The study has required a significant expansion of the Institute's field-force and the recruitment of a large number of temporary staff to deal with the field administration, coding and data entry. It imposed considerable burdens on the staff of the Survey Unit, and on those carrying out service functions within the Institute such as accounts, catering, mail, printing and telephone services. It also required some re-location of staff between offices, especially in the case of the HIPE and NPRS Units. The Council and the Director would like to acknowledge the commitment and flexibility shown by all concerned.

- The year 2001 marked the final round of data collection for the European Community Household Panel Survey. This series of major household surveys, which have been in progress since 1994, formed the basis for a great deal of Institute work at both the national and international level. They allowed us to develop a detailed understanding of the nature of social exclusion in Ireland, the processes causing it and how all aspects of State policy impact on it. Indeed, the ECHP was the basis on which some of the key targets of the National Anti-Poverty Strategy were assessed and monitored. Having won the relevant competitively tendered contracts, ESRI staff continued to work during the year with Eurostat to develop the overall design of the instrument which will eventually replace the ECHP. This new source, to be known as EU-SILC (Statistics on Income and Living Conditions), will be implemented by the National Statistics Offices in all the Member States starting in 2003. The ESRI is collaborating closely with the Irish Central Statistics Office and interested Government Departments to ensure that the new system will produce research results relating to poverty and social exclusion of at least equal quality to those currently derived from the ECHP.
- On the international front, several staff members were appointed to important positions in international bodies. Professor John Fitz Gerald was asked to serve on the EU's Economic Advisory Group which provides direct advice to the Commission President Mr Prodi. Professor Brian Nolan was asked, in collaboration with Dr A.B. Atkinson of the UK, Professor B. Cantillon and Mr E. Marlier of Belgium to compile a report on the use of social indicators for the European Union. The Director was re-appointed for a second term to the External Advisory Group which assists the Research Directorate of the Commission in formulating those aspects of the Framework Research Programmes which are related to the social sciences. Probably the most prestigious appointment of the year was the election of Professor Christopher Whelan as Chair of the Standing Committee for the Social

Sciences of the European Science Foundation. During his three-year appointment, Professor Whelan will play a key role in developing and promoting social science research in Europe. This appointment recognises the international standing which his work, and that of the Institute, has achieved.

- The Institute continued to provide support for a number of national organisations during the year. Secretarial and administrative services were provided free of charge to *The Economic and Social Review*. Mr Daniel McCoy serves as Honorary Secretary of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland and edits its journal. Most of the Society's meetings are held in the ESRI premises. The Institute also provides a venue for the Historical National Accounts Group and collaborates with the Foundation for Fiscal Studies in organising the annual *Budget Perspectives* Conference.
- Dr Alan Barrett was seconded to the Department of Finance for two years in October. It is hoped that this secondment will further enhance our collaboration with the Department. Professor Frances Ruane of Trinity College Dublin spent a four-month sabbatical at the Institute. In June, an honorary doctorate was awarded to Professor Damian Hannan by University College Dublin and an MBA was awarded to Professor John Bradley by Warwick University.

COUNCIL CHANGES

Three Council members retired during the year, Mr E. McCumiskey, Mr Alfie Kane and Mr Sean Cromien. Their dedication to the welfare of the Institute is much appreciated. Three new members were appointed to the Council: Mr David Begg of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions, Mr Brian Geoghegan of the Irish Business and Employers Confederation and Mr Donal Garvey, Director General of the Central Statistics Office. The Council also noted with deep regret the death during the year of Professor Patrick Lynch, a former Chairman of the Institute and an enthusiastic supporter of its work throughout his life. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

FINAL ACCOUNTS 2001

The Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31 December 2001 which have been audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General, are shown in Appendix E.



Member of Council:
J.F. Harford

Member of Council:
B.J. Whelan

REVIEW OF RESEARCH BY AREA

MACROECONOMICS, ECONOMIC FORECASTING AND MODELLING

Four issues of the *Quarterly Economic Commentary* were published during the year. These traced the increasingly marked fluctuations in the Irish economy in response to developments in the global economy. They focused on factors such as domestic overheating, tightness in the labour market, the consequences for competitiveness of excessive growth in incomes and the distinction between economic growth and the more inclusive concept of development. Policy issues arising in respect of fiscal policy and the Stability and Growth Pact were also addressed. There was a healthy increase in the submission of articles from both ESRI and external contributors, seven of which were published in 2001. Four of these were published as special articles and examined, respectively, the distributional impact of the Budget, the consequences of EU enlargement, the responsiveness of labour supply and how fiscal policy can be managed in a monetary union. The other three addressed various aspects of the question "how can wage bargaining within social partnership be best modified" including mechanisms for national gain-sharing, the role of personal pensions in facilitating deferred compensation and the manner in which adjustments to EMU are taking place.

The *Medium-Term Review 2001-2007* explored a number of scenarios for the economy and concluded that economic growth would average about 5 per cent in the period up to 2005, 4 per cent between 2005 and 2010 and thereafter revert to the EU average growth rate of about 3 per cent. It advocated a broadly neutral fiscal policy, which would represent a significant degree of restraint compared with the experience of the last five years. It also suggested that a transparent and fair policy on immigration should be developed, that the flexibility of the labour market should be improved and that regulatory and fiscal reform should target both productivity improvements and environmental enhancements.

Macro-economic analysis was also published in a number of other books and journals, including the volume emanating from the *Budget Perspectives* Conference described in the previous section. An article entitled "The Single Market, the Structural Funds and Ireland's Recent Economic Growth" appeared in the *Journal of Common Market Studies*. Irish economic management under EMU was discussed in the *Proceedings of the Brussels Economic Forum* and in a book entitled *The World Economy*, while wage bargaining was examined in an article in the *Irish Banking Review* and fiscal sustainability in the *Central Bank Quarterly Bulletin*. Work on the application of macro-economic models originally developed in Ireland to the economies of countries in Central and Eastern Europe continued and led to a monograph published by the German Ifo Institute entitled *Analysis of the Macroeconomic Impact of the CSF on the Economy of East Germany* and to a number of conference papers.

ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENERGY AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS

Two articles were published in *European Planning Studies* on competitive advantage in sectors of the Irish economy and an article on business risk in the *Journal of Economic Behaviour and Organisation*. Energy and environmental issues were discussed in the volume emanating from the *Green and Bear It?* Conference described in the preceding section. A set of *Pilot Environmental Accounts*, designed to add an environmental dimension to the National Accounts, were compiled by Dr John Curtis and published by the Central Statistics Office. The environmental hazards arising from prosperity were discussed in an article in *Studies* and how water should be priced in a volume published by the European Union. The economic aspects of managing wild populations (of fish and deer) were addressed in journal articles, as was the methodological issue of question design in contingent valuation surveys. Work continued on issues related to energy and energy policy during the year and the funding for the Energy Policy Research Centre was renewed. We gratefully acknowledge this support from the sponsors.

REGIONAL STUDIES

Professor John Bradley edited and contributed to a book on cross-border issues entitled *Can the Celtic Tiger Cross the Border?* and Professor John Fitz Gerald studied the constraints on growth in the island's two economies in the *Economic Outlook and Business Review*. The monograph *Analysis of the Economic, Employment and Social Profile of the Greater Dublin Area* referred to in the preceding section examined settlement patterns and the distribution of economic activity in the region and produced new data on commuting patterns, showing that significant commuting to the city is now occurring from locations as much as 60 miles away.

TAXATION AND WELFARE

Since the early nineties, the Institute has had a substantial research programme aimed at developing a micro-simulation model which would allow us to estimate accurately the effects on individuals and households of changes in the tax and welfare systems. The resulting model, entitled *SWITCH*, has been used in a variety of contexts. The paper *Reforming Tax and Welfare* utilises the *SWITCH* model to carry out a detailed analysis of recent changes in the tax and welfare systems and to evaluate their effects in the light of policy objectives such as those set out in the National Anti-Poverty Strategy and the Programme for Prosperity and Fairness. On the basis of a detailed conceptual and empirical analysis, it sets out the considerable advantages of an approach to evaluation based on indexation rather than the conventional opening budget. International comparisons are provided and the key issues relating to the taxation of couples and individuals discussed. A paper on the distributional impact of direct payments on Irish farm incomes was published in the *Journal of Agricultural Economics*. *SWITCH* was also used for a special article in the *QEC* examining the distributional effects of Budget 2002 and in a paper for the *Budget Perspectives* volume.

LABOUR MARKET AND DEMOGRAPHY

The study *Family Formation in Ireland* provides an overview of existing knowledge regarding the family in Ireland today. It focuses in particular on three major issues:

the long-term decline in fertility, the growth and pattern of lone parenthood and changes in household and family size. It emphasises how poor the existing Irish data relating to the family are, and suggests how they could be improved. A more detailed comparative study of Irish fertility rates in comparative perspective was also published in *The Economic and Social Review*.

Trends in migration and related policy issues were discussed in an article published by the OECD. An article in *The Economic and Social Review* estimated the extent to which returned emigrants received a wage premium. It showed relative skill level had a positive relationship with both the decision to migrate and the decision to return.

The paper *Estimating Labour Force Flows, Job Openings and Human Resource Requirements 1990-2005*, published in the FÁS/ESRI Manpower Forecasting Series, utilises a novel approach by estimating gross flows in the labour force rather than concentrating on net movements only. It provides data on job openings by occupation and sector, examines the need for migration and shows that inflows no larger than those experienced in recent years would be sufficient to meet labour force needs. The *National Survey of Vacancies* covered all private, non-agricultural employment and showed that the labour force was growing strongly while unemployment remains very low. About one-third of firms reported a vacancy and the vacancy rate had risen by about a sixth since the previous survey. The study gave a detailed breakdown of vacancies by occupation and sector and showed that vacancies existed in many occupations, not just in the highly skilled. An article on labour shortages in Ireland was published by the European Employment Observatory. An article on the returns to workplace training appeared in the *Industrial and Labour Relations Review*. A special study of bullying in the workplace was commissioned by the Task Force on the Prevention of Workplace Bullying and published by them.

Various aspects of unemployment were examined in different studies. The Policy Research paper on *Employability* considered the issue of whether the 140,000 people still on the Live Register at a time of boom contained a high proportion of "unemployables". It devised a clear


operational definition of employability and, using both national and local data, concluded that the proportion of persons on the Register who could be considered unemployable was quite small – no more than about 10 per cent. It examined the factors which seem to lead to unemployability (poor education, older age, location) and considered the possibility of "profiling" those on the Register to improve the effectiveness of placement procedures for jobs and training. The dynamic processes involved in unemployment were considered in a study published by the Combat Poverty Agency while work incentives were examined in an article for *The Economic and Social Review*. Studies on the situation of young people moving from unemployment to employment in nine European countries were published in an edited volume and in the journal *Work, Employment and Society*.

EDUCATION

A good deal of previous ESRI research was directed at the situation of school leavers and the factors easing the transition from education to working life. The study *Issues in the Employment of Early School Leavers* looked at this topic from the employer's point of view. A detailed survey of employers showed some 70 per cent had never employed an early school leaver. Those who had recruited them mainly for lower skilled positions. They felt the main problems encountered by these young people in employment related to the poor level of education and skills attained. Employers felt that in general young people had good personal skills but needed much better pre-employment training. An article on countering social exclusion by means of early childhood education was published in a collected volume.

HEALTH

The monograph *Critique of "Shaping a Healthier Future": A Strategy for Effective Healthcare in the 1990s* evaluated the previous national health strategy as preparation for the new version which the Government was preparing. It reviewed the strategy development process and concluded that it was generally satisfactory but needed better monitoring, more specific targets and better progress in the areas of equity, quality



and accountability. It went on to review the targets and draw lessons for the new strategy. A national survey of *Perceptions of the Quality of Healthcare* was commissioned by the Centre for Insurance Studies in UCD. It covered topics such as respondent's health status, insurance or medical card coverage and usage of the health services. It recorded considerable criticism of the public healthcare system, but those whose comments were most unfavourable were those with least experience of the system. Concerns centred most on waiting times, length of stay and inefficiency. Cost was the main factor deterring people from taking out medical insurance. There was strong support for spending to reduce waiting times and improve the quality of the service. An article on the use of case mix as a basis for budgeting in hospitals was published in an edited collection and a paper on health insurance and services utilisation in the journal *Health Economics*. A paper on methodological issues in health status measurement was published in the *Irish Journal of Psychology* and an analysis of employment trends and the health services in a conference volume. Work continued on the development of the databases emanating from the Hospital In-patient Enquiry and the National Perinatal Reporting System.

ECONOMETRICS AND METHODOLOGY

While the bulk of the Institute's output concentrates on the more applied and policy-relevant aspects of research, staff also contribute to the development of their specialist areas by publishing articles of methodological interest. Such work is very important both for sustaining the academic reputation of the Institute and to ensure that in our applied work we can use the latest and most refined techniques. Reference has already been made to papers on the development of technique in the areas of contingent valuation surveys and health status measurement. ESRI staff have also produced innovative measures of poverty and deprivation which have attracted considerable international attention. Further work on this topic was carried out in 2001 and will be described below. A number of other papers on theoretical and methodological themes were also produced. A study in *The Economic and Social Review* considered how the new technique of "propensity scores" might be used in the

evaluation of State programmes. Three papers dealing with statistical methods were also produced: one on score tests published in the *Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference*, a second on the statistical properties of ratios in the *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series D* and a third on the analysis of capitation funding in Series A of the same journal.

PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT

A study entitled *Older People's Preferences for Employment and Retirement in Ireland* was commissioned and published by the National Council for Ageing and Older People. This survey discovered that, while substantial minorities of the working over 55s would like to retire, many retired people would like to do some work particularly on a part-time basis. Satisfaction with retirement was found to be strongly linked with income, health status and whether retirement was voluntary or involuntary. Respondents expressed a strong preference for gradual retirement. Papers on the housing situation of older people, on their health status and on the extent of poverty among them were published in a volume of conference proceedings. A paper on pension provision by multinational corporations in Ireland was published in an international edited volume. The volume related to the year 2000 Geary lecture, which was published during 2001, also addressed aspects of the pensions issue. The format of the lecture was changed somewhat on this occasion by having the lecture itself preceded by two related papers by local authors. The lecture was given by Professor Martin Feldstein of the US National Bureau for Economic Research and examined the economic challenges for Ireland in Europe. It suggested a role for personal pensions in facilitating effective wage setting and maintaining national competitiveness. Professor Gerard Hughes of the ESRI analysed the cost and distribution of pension expenditures. Professor Philip Lane of Trinity College Dublin looked at the management of the newly established National Pension Reserve Fund.

SOCIAL POLICY AND DISADVANTAGE

The Institute has developed a very strong presence, both nationally and internationally, in the analysis of poverty

and social exclusion. The Irish National Anti-Poverty Strategy explicitly incorporates a measure of poverty devised and produced in the ESRI as one of its primary targets. This approach is now being emulated in a number of other countries. ESRI researchers have been prominent in EU work in this area and have produced both influential methodological work and definitive comparative studies across the Member States.

In 2001, two major substantive studies on poverty in Ireland were published. The Policy Research Series paper on *Non-Cash Benefits and Poverty in Ireland* addressed the question of whether these benefits significantly affect the estimated poverty rates. It carefully considered how the benefits could be measured and concluded that there is relatively little change in overall poverty levels when non-cash benefits are valued and included in the estimation procedure. However, since the benefits are strongly targeted towards the elderly rather than towards other groups of welfare recipients, their inclusion does matter in determining the relative poverty status of different groups. The paper on *Monitoring Poverty Trends* is the latest report in the annual series commissioned by the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs. It attempts to assess progress in reaching the national targets in relation to poverty reduction. This year's report focused in particular on the processes leading individuals and households to enter, and to exit from, situations of poverty. It discovered that, as has been found in other countries, it is very important when assessing the severity of poverty to take into account its relative degree of permanence or transience. Overall, the paper concluded that, based on the measure reflecting "consistent poverty" which incorporates assessment of both income and deprivation, the situation in Ireland had shown appreciable improvement over the last number of years.

At international level, collaboration continued with colleagues in the European Panel Analysis Group (funded under the EU's Fifth Framework Programme) and a series of working papers produced, some of which have already led to publication. Four papers were published in major international journals focusing on international comparisons of poverty levels across Europe. *European Societies* published

an article on poverty dynamics in European countries, while the *Review of Income and Wealth* carried an article applying measures of persistent and consistent poverty developed at the ESRI to data from almost all the EU countries. Levels of deprivation in Europe were analysed in a piece for *Acta Sociologica*, while the *European Sociological Review* published an article on income, deprivation and economic strain. Five further studies setting Ireland in comparative perspective were published in the *Journal of Social Policy*, *Australian Social Policy*, *The Economic and Social Review* and in two edited volumes. Three additional papers developing different aspects of the situation in Ireland appeared in *Studies*, *Feminist Economics* and *The Economic and Social Review*. The specific topic of poverty among children was addressed in four articles, one in *New Economy* and three in edited volumes.

SURVEY RESEARCH

As well as carrying out all the primary data collection required by the research work described above, the Survey Unit undertook a range of other commissioned work as listed in Appendix C below. This included the major house condition survey already mentioned as well as surveys for national organisations such as the development agencies Forfás and Enterprise Ireland and international organisations such as Eurostat and DG Ecofin of the European Commission. Methodological work on survey design and analysis, including the study of attrition in panel surveys, was also carried out. The Institute's capacity to design, conduct and analyse surveys to the highest international standards is one of the organisation's key strengths.



APPENDICES



APPENDIX A

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10. "Equitable allocation of health care funding across regions", Seminar to Statistics Department, UCD, November D. Conniffe

11. "President's closing address" at Irish Statistical Association and University College Dublin Conference on "Official and Public Statistics", UCD, November D. Conniffe
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26. "Religion, secularisation and moral values", Consultative Seminar on the European Values Study in the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland 1999, organised jointly by the Institute for British and Irish Studies and the ESRI, Newman House, April T. Fahey
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B. Nolan
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69. "Reassessing income and deprivation approaches to the measurement of poverty", Sociological Association of Ireland Conference, Tralee, November
R. Layte
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D. McCoy
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100. "Social capital and lone parenthood in Ireland", Sociological Association of Ireland Conference on "Inclusion and Exclusion in Irish Society", Tralee, November H. Russell
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101. "Review of critical issues for research in the area of environmental economics", Environmental Protection Agency Meeting, March S. Scott

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106. "How schools differ", Southside Partnership Seminar, "Planning for Achievement", Dun Laoghaire, April E. Smyth
107. "Strategies to counter educational disadvantage in Ireland: a policy analysis", American Educational Research Association Annual Conference, Seattle, April E. Smyth
108. "Ability grouping in second-level schools", Transition Year Support Services Team, Dublin, May E. Smyth
109. (i) "Income in EU SILC: implications of the choice of reference period and proposed target variables"; (ii) "Demography, education and health in EU SILC: an overview of key issues and proposed target variables"; (iii) "Main activity and work in EU SILC: an overview of key issues and proposed target variables" Meetings of Task Force on EU-SILC and Working Group of European Community Household Panel, Luxembourg, April D. Watson
110. "Income target variables in EU-SILC" Task Force on EU-SILC and Working Group of European Community Household Panel Meeting, Luxembourg, September D. Watson
111. "The living in Ireland survey: structure, fieldwork and uses", Social Research Methods Course, Trinity College Dublin, November D. Watson
112. "The income questionnaire items in EU-SILC", Working Group on EU-SILC, Eurostat, Luxembourg, December D. Watson
113. "Prospects of the Irish economy", German-Irish Chamber of Industry and Commerce Luncheon Meeting, Berkeley Court Hotel, October B.J. Whelan
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115. "The role of manufacturing in Ireland's economies" AT&GWU Manufacturing Seminar, Dundalk, December B.J. Whelan
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117. "Explaining levels of deprivation in the EU", Stratification Committee, International Sociological Association, University of Berkeley, California, August C.T. Whelan

118. "Multiple deprivation in the European Union", Conference on "Unity and Diversity: The Contribution of the Social Sciences and the Humanities to the ERA", Bruges, Belgium, October C.T. Whelan
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121. "Budgeting for acute hospital services", Senior Registrars, Royal College of Surgeons, March M.M. Wiley
122. "Shaping a healthier future: a strategy for effective healthcare in the 1990s: a critique", the Stakeholders Consultative Forum on the National Health Strategy, Dublin, April M.M. Wiley
123. "Health strategy 2001: one health system for all?" SIPTU National Nursing Conference, Galway, May M.M. Wiley
124. "Reform and renewal of the Irish health system: policy and practice", Joint ESRI/FFS Conference on "Budget Perspectives", October M.M. Wiley
125. "The Irish public health system: confidence and commitment" the Health Services National Partnership Forum, Burlington Hotel, October M.M. Wiley
126. "Irish health system reform: past, present and future", SIPTU Health Strategy Conference, Dublin, November M.M. Wiley
127. "A review of the performance of the Irish health system", Irish Pharmaceutical Healthcare Association, Dublin, November M.M. Wiley

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Choosing for the Children: The Affiliation of the Children of Minority-Majority Group Inter-marriages in Finland and in Ireland	R. O'Leary <i>Queen's University Belfast</i>
Routes into Employment: The Service Sector in Great Britain and Germany	B. Halpin <i>University of Limerick</i>
Using Social Mobility Analyses to Assess Discrimination in Northern Ireland	R. Miller <i>Queen's University Belfast</i>
Women Returning to Employment, Education and Training: An Analysis of Traditions	H. Russell P.J. O'Connell
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APPENDIX C

Project Title	Status	Client/Funding Agency	Researchers
I. DEMOGRAPHY			
Older people's preferences for employment and retirement in Ireland.	Completed	National Council on Ageing and Older People	T. Fahey H. Russell
Processes of family formation in Ireland.	Completed	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	T. Fahey H. Russell
II. ECONOMETRICS			
Approximating distributions of econometric test criteria.	In progress	ESRI own resources	D. Conniffe J. Spencer (<i>QUB</i>)
III. EDUCATION			
At work in school: part-time employment among second-level students.	In progress	Dept. Education and Science	S. McCoy E. Smyth
Changes in opportunities and transitions for school leavers not going to college 1982-1998.	Completed	Dept. Education and Science	D. Hannan S. McCoy J. Williams A. Doyle
Choosing maths and science: a research study (Educational Policy Research Centre).	In progress	Dept. Education and Science	E. Smyth C. Hannan
Comparative analysis of transitions from education to work in Europe (CATEWE).	Completed	European Commission	D. Hannan E. Smyth S. McCoy
Comparative study of factors influencing retention in second-level disadvantaged schools.	In progress	Dept. Education and Science	S. McCoy R. Malone (<i>NUI Maynooth</i>)
Continuation of docklands education database 2000/2001.	In progress	Dublin Docklands Development Authority	J. Williams
Continuing education and training.	In progress	Dept. Education and Science	P.J. O'Connell
Curriculum provision and school integration among first year students.	In progress	National Council of Curriculum Assessment	E. Smyth S. McCoy
Eligibility for third level student grants.	Completed	Dept. Education and Science	E. Smyth D. Watson
Estimated social rates of return to educational interventions to prevent early educational failure.	Completed	Dept. Education and Science	E. Morgenroth

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European vocational education and training research (second report).	Completed	CEDEFOP, Greece	A. Barrett
Evaluation and analysis of the <i>ad-hoc</i> module data on school-to-work transition.	In progress	University of Mannheim/Eurostat	E. Smyth
Evaluation of the transition year programme.	In progress	Dept. Education and Science	E. Smyth C. Hannan
OECD consultancy.	In progress	Dept. Education and Science	P.J. O'Connell
School leavers' survey 1999/2000.	Completed	Dept. Enterprise Trade and Employment/Dept. Education and Science	J. Williams S. McCoy
Study of early school leavers.	In progress	National Youth Foundation, FÁS, Dept. Education and Science	J. Williams
Working together: promoting positive behaviour in the primary school.	In progress	Education Dept, Mary Immaculate College Limerick	S. McCoy E. Smyth
IV. HEALTH			
Activity in acute public hospitals in Ireland, 1990-1999.	In progress	Dept. Health and Children	M. M. Wiley A. Clifton D. Murphy A. Mulligan P. Dowling
<i>Critique of "Shaping a healthier future".</i>	Completed	Dept. Health and Children	M. M. Wiley P. Dowling R. Layte B. Nolan
Equity in health – leadership of project team.	In progress	National Economic and Social Forum (NESF)	B. Nolan
Hospital In-Patient Enquiry (HIPE)/ National Perinatal Reporting System (NPRS).	In progress	Dept. Health and Children	M. M. Wiley A. Clifton G. Cullen J. Curley P. Dowling M. Glynn B. McCarthy S. McDermott M. McKenna A. Mulligan D. Murphy S. O'Connell M. Walker N. Wall


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Literature review of published material on economics and marketing of tobacco.	Completed	Office of Tobacco Control	R. Layte H. Russell S. McCoy
Public perceptions of the quality of public and private health care in Ireland.	Completed	BUPA	D. Watson J. Williams R. Kinsella
Review of day case activity in acute general hospitals.	In progress	Dept. Health and Children	M.M. Wiley P. Dowling
V. HOUSING			
House condition survey.	In progress	Dept. Environment	J. Williams D. Watson
House price index.	In progress	Irish Permanent plc	D. Duffy
Housing, generational asset holding, asset trajectories and wealth transfers in Ireland.	In progress	ESRI own resources	T. Fahey B. Nolan B. Maître
Housing, poverty and wealth.	In progress	Combat Poverty Agency	B. Nolan T. Fahey B. Maître
Regional house price indices for Ireland.	Completed	Irish Permanent Building Society	D. Conniffe D. Duffy
VI. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT			
Cross border trade and trade-related data – a statistical ground clearing exercise.	In progress	InterTrade Ireland	E. O' Malley E. Morgenroth
European Observatory for Small and Medium-size Enterprises.	In progress	EIM, Netherlands/KPMG/European Commission	E. O' Malley
VII. LABOUR MARKET			
Analysis of the Galway region live register and follow-up survey.	In progress	Dept. Social, Community and Family Affairs, Galway Regional Office.	R. Layte
Assessment of proposals for national evaluation projects.	Completed	European Commission	A. Barrett J.J. Sexton
Assessment of the second vocational training survey (CVTS-II).	In progress	BIBB/European Commission	P.J. O'Connell
Can improving low-skilled consumer-services jobs help European jobs growth?	In progress	Low wage Employment Research Network (LOWER), University of Amsterdam/European Commission	G. Hughes
Demand forecasts for skilled engineering occupations up to 2005.	In progress	FÁS	G. Hughes

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European Employment Observatory.	In progress	SYSDEM Network of Labour Market Experts, ECOTEC Research and Consulting Ltd/European Commission (DG Employment)	J.J. Sexton
Flexible labour.	Completed	University of Essex/European Commission	B. Nolan
Improving human capital in European Union IT by identifying high level training infrastructures existing in EU IT companies.	Completed	European Commission	A. Barrett
Labour demand, education and the dynamics of social exclusion.	Completed	European Commission	A. Barrett
Labour market studies reports – projections for engineering and computer science/IT professionals and technicians 1997-2005.	Completed	Expert Group on Future Skills, Forfás	G. Hughes
Labour market adaptability index.	Completed	Algoe/European Commission	P.J. O'Connell
Migration of highly skilled workers.	Completed	OECD	J.J. Sexton
National survey of vacancies in the private non-agricultural sector.	Completed	FÁS	G. Hughes J. Williams
Occupational employment forecasts to 2015.	Completed	FÁS	G. Hughes J.J. Sexton C Finn
Occupational employment forecasts by region.	In progress	FÁS	G. Hughes J. J. Sexton C. Finn E. Morgenroth
Regular forecasting of training needs: comparative analysis, elaboration and application of methodology.	In progress	Czech Observatory/European Commission	G. Hughes
Study defining “employability” and its relevance for the management of the live register.	Completed	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	A. Barrett J.J. Sexton C.T. Whelan
Study on workplace bullying.	Completed	Task Force on the Prevention of Workplace Bullying	P.J. O'Connell J. Williams
Survey on flexible working practices and equality.	Completed	Dept. of Social Science, UCD	J. Williams
Surveys of vacancies in (1) private sector and (2) public sector.	In progress	Forfás	G. Hughes J. Williams
Training programme Russia.	Completed	NEI, Netherlands, European Training Foundation	J.J. Sexton
Wages and job quality in the European Union.	Completed	University of Amsterdam/European Commission	B. Nolan B. Maître


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Women returning to education, training and employment.	Completed	National Women's Council	H. Russell E. Smyth P.J. O'Connell M. Lyons (<i>UCD</i>)
VIII. MACROECONOMICS			
Appraisal of the macroeconomic impacts of the Objective 1 plans: Greece, Spain, Portugal and Ireland.	Completed	European Commission	J. Bradley E. Morgenroth
Assistance in preparation of macroeconomic model for structural funds – Estonia.	Completed	Government Estonia/European Commission	J. Bradley E. Morgenroth I. Kearney
Construction of a HERMIN model of Latvia.	Completed	FTI Finance Ltd./European Commission	J. Bradley J. D. Fitz Gerald I. Kearney
Consultancy advice on national plan.	Completed	Government of Poland/World Bank	J. Bradley
Macroeconomics and structural change in transition economies: Common themes in CEE and EU periphery countries.	Completed	European Commission	J. Bradley
Medium-term economic review and outlook for Ireland.	In progress	ESRI own resources	J. D. Fitz Gerald I. Kearney D. Duffy J. Hore
Study of current trends in the Irish economy. <i>Quarterly Economic Commentary</i> .	In progress	ESRI own resources	D. McCoy D. Duffy J. Hore C. MacCoille
Study to develop a model to evaluate the macroeconomic impact of the structural funds in East Germany.	Completed	DG Ecofin	J. Bradley E. Morgenroth
IX. REGIONAL STUDIES			
Analysis of economic, employment and social profile of greater Dublin region.	Completed	Dublin Regional Authority	E. Morgenroth
Border crossings project: study of barriers to, and benefits of, North-South economic co-operation.	Completed	Co-Operation Ireland	J. Bradley M. D'Arcy (<i>DSA</i>) M. Morrissey (<i>UU</i>) A. Smyth (<i>UU</i>)
Ex-post evaluation of Objective 1 1994-1999 programmes.	In progress	Ecotec/European Commission	J. Bradley E. Morgenroth J.D. Fitz Gerald

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X. RESOURCE ECONOMICS			
Air emission accounts.	In progress	European Commission Eurostat	J. Curtis J. Eakins
Centralised anaerobic digestion of waste waters in sensitive catchments.	Completed	Environmental Protection Agency/University of Galway	J. Curtis S. Scott
Common methods for economic assessment of EU fisheries (CA2).	Completed	LEI Netherlands/European Commission	J. Curtis
Compilation of satellite environmental accounts for 1996 (for Eurostat).	Completed	Eurostat	J. Curtis
Compilation of time-series and eco-taxes for environmental accounts.	Completed	Eurostat	S. Scott J. Curtis J. D. Fitz Gerald J. Hore
Econometric and statistical analyses of energy data.	In progress	Energy Policy Research Centre	D. Conniffe
Economic and socio economic analysis of the Irish fishing industry.	Completed	BIM	J. Curtis J. Eakins
Effect of weight-based charges for solid waste services.	In progress	Environmental Protection Agency	J. Curtis A. Barrett
Forecasting energy demand.	In progress	Energy Policy Research Centre	J. Fitz Gerald I. Kearney J. Hore
National study of preferences and attitudes concerning forest development in Ireland.	In progress	Dept. Marine and Natural Resources	J. Williams S. Scott F. Trace
Reducing barriers to energy efficiency in private and public organisations.	Completed	University of Sussex/European Commission	E. O' Malley S. Scott
Review of environmental economics.	Completed	Environmental Protection Agency	S. Scott
Survey collecting economic data from the offshore multi-purpose fleet segment.	Completed	LEI Netherlands/ European Commission	J. Curtis
XI. SOCIAL CAPITAL			
Values in Ireland, North and South: 1999 wave of European Values Survey.	In progress	Atlantic Philanthropies	T. Fahey B. Hayes (<i>QUB</i>) R. Sinnott (<i>UCD</i>)
XII. SOCIAL DISADVANTAGE			
Absolute poverty in Europe.	Completed	York University/Eurostat	B. Nolan B. Maître

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Allocation of resources within households.	Completed	Combat Poverty Agency	B. Nolan B. Gannon D. Watson S. Cantillon
An income and viability study of rural households: income distribution, poverty and economic viability effects of the components of total household outcomes.	In progress	Dept. of Agriculture Research Stimulus Fund	M. Keeney A. Matthews (<i>TCD</i>)
Assessment of poverty research initiative.	Completed	Combat Poverty Agency	T. Fahey
Basic income in Ireland: study for the Working Group on Basic Income.	Completed	Dept. of the Taoiseach	T. Callan B. Nolan J. Walsh J. McBride R. Nestor
Between integration and exclusion: A comparative study in local dynamics of precarity and resistance to exclusion in urban contexts (BETWIXT).	In progress	European Commission	T. Fahey
Dynamics of social change in Europe.	In progress	University of Essex/European Commission	R. Layte B. Maître B. Nolan C.T. Whelan
Dynamics of unemployment: longitudinal analysis of the unemployed in the living in Ireland panel surveys.	Completed	Combat Poverty Agency	R. Layte P.J. O'Connell
ECHP 1999, 2000, 2001.	In progress	Eurostat	J. Williams D. Watson
Employment precarity and exclusion.	Completed	Nuffield College, Oxford	T. Fahey
EU panel analysis.	Completed	University of Essex/European Commission	B. Nolan B.J. Whelan
Examination of sample attrition in Waves 3 and 4 of the ECHP.	Completed	Eurostat	D. Watson
Follow-up study on the impact of the minimum wage.	Completed	Dept. Enterprise, Trade and Employment	B. Nolan J. Williams D. O'Neill (<i>NUI Maynooth</i>)
Monitoring living conditions and quality of life in the EU.	In progress	European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions	R. Layte H. Russell B. Nolan C.T. Whelan T. Fahey

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Monitoring trends in poverty for the National Anti-Poverty Strategy (NAPS) 1998 data.	Completed	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	R. Layte B. Gannon B. Maître B. Nolan D. Watson C.T. Whelan J. Williams
 Monitoring trends in poverty for the National Anti-Poverty Strategy (NAPS) 2000 data.	In progress	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	B. Gannon R. Layte B. Nolan D. Watson C.T. Whelan J. Williams
National Anti-Poverty Strategy Income Adequacy Working Group project.	Completed	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	K.A. Kennedy
Pay inequalities and economic performance (PIEP).	In progress	London School of Economics/European Commission	B. Nolan H. Russell
Poverty among farm and non-farm rural households.	Completed	Dept. Agriculture, Food and Rural Development	M. Keeney B. Nolan
Social indicators.	Completed	Government of Belgium	B. Nolan
Social Welfare Benchmarking and Indexation Group project.	Completed	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	K.A. Kennedy
Statistical services in the field of income, poverty and social exclusion.	Completed	ORC International Ltd and Eurostat	D. Watson R. Layte C.T. Whelan
Unemployment and mental health.	Completed	European Commission	R. Layte C.T. Whelan
Why is relative income poverty so high in Ireland?	In progress	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	B. Nolan T. Callan M. Keeney B. Maître
Work rich and work poor households.	In progress	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	R. Layte P. J. O'Connell H. Russell C.T. Whelan B. Gannon
XIII. SURVEY RESEARCH			
Annual business and consumer surveys of industry, building, consumers, retail trade and services	In progress	European Commission	J. Williams
Annual business survey of economic impact (ABSED) 2001-2002	In progress	Forfás	J. Williams

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Bi-annual survey of investment in Irish industry.	In progress	European Commission	J. Williams
Capital prices survey	In progress	Eurostat and OECD	J. Williams
CSO repairs and maintenance	In progress	CSO	J. Williams
Control survey for on-going inquiry into Sudden Infant Deaths in Ireland	In progress	Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	J. Williams
NRB post-programme follow-up survey of programme participants.	In progress	National Rehabilitation Board	J. Williams
Religion and inequality modules for ISSP international research program.	In progress	International Social Survey Program	J. Williams
Review of the performance of indigenous exporters	In progress	Enterprise Ireland	J. Williams
Survey of FÁS participants	In progress	FÁS	J. Williams
Survey of Forfás client companies	Completed	Forfás	J. Williams
Survey of participants in the Jobs Initiative Scheme (with Deloitte & Touche).	In progress	Dept of Enterprise, Trade & Employment	J. Williams
Survey of prices of capital goods	Completed	Planistat, France and Eurostat	J. Williams
Survey to monitor the indigenous supplier base to the Tesco Group.	Completed	Bord Bia and Enterprise Ireland	J. Williams
Surveys of different sectors as part of EMU business awareness campaign	Completed	Forfás	J. Williams
Task Force on preparation of EU-SILC and related consultancy projects.	In progress	Eurostat	J. Williams D. Watson
Technical services on sample selection, database construction.	In progress	Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	J. Williams
Technical services on sample selection, database construction.	In progress	Trinity College Dublin	J. Williams
XIV. TAX AND WELFARE			
Comparative analysis of replacement rates – analytical and statistical tools for monitoring EU tax/benefits systems.	In progress	Alphametrics UK, European Commission	T. Callan M. Keeney
Comparative study of tax and child benefit systems in 22 countries.	Completed	University of York	B. Nolan B. Gannon
Euromod: An integrated European benefit-tax model.	Completed	University of Cambridge/ European Commission	T. Callan M. Keeney J. Walsh

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Income redistribution analysis.	In progress	Dept. of Finance	T. Callan M. Keeney J. Walsh
MICRESA – Micro-level analysis of the European social agenda: combating poverty and social exclusion through changes in social and fiscal policy.	In progress	University of Cambridge/ European Commission	T. Callan M. Keeney J. Walsh
 Microsimulation forum/ <i>SWITCH</i> version 3.0.	In progress	Dept. of Finance, Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs, Revenue Commissioners, National Economic and Social Council, Combat Poverty Agency	T. Callan B. Gannon M. Keeney J. Walsh
Reforming tax and welfare.	Completed	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	T. Callan M. Keeney B. Nolan J. Walsh
Secondary and non-cash benefits and the living standards of beneficiaries.	Completed	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	B. Nolan H. Russell
Tax progressivity and pension tax expenditures.	Completed	National Economic and Social Council	B. Nolan B. Maître
Towards a dynamic tax benefit model.	In progress	Dept. Social Community and Family Affairs	T. Callan R. Layte J. Walsh

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APPENDIX E



THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2001



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COUNCIL MEMBERS AND OTHER INFORMATION

COUNCIL MEMBERS	W.G.H. Quigley CB (President) Joseph F. Harford (Chairman) Brendan J. Whelan (Director) David Begg G.T. Paul Conlon Donal de Buitleir Connell Fanning Mary Finan Maureen Gaffney Donal Garvey Patrick Geary Brian Geoghegan Paul Haran John Hurley	Michael Kelly Alan Matthews Michael J. Meagher Stephen Mennell (British) Donal Nevin Tomás F. Ó Cofaigh Maurice O'Connell Marie O'Connor Ken O'Hara William Roche Roelof Schierbeek (Dutch) Noel Sheehy Edmond Sullivan Thomas K. Whitaker Padraic A. White	
AUDITORS	The Comptroller and Auditor General Treasury Building Dublin Castle Dublin 2	BANKERS	Bank of Ireland Lower Baggot Street Dublin 2
SOLICITORS	McCarin Fitzgerald 2 Harbourmaster Place Custom House Dock Dublin 1		
SECRETARY and REGISTERED OFFICE	Gillian Davidson 4 Burlington Road Dublin 4		

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COUNCIL REPORT

The council members present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2001.

Principal activities

The ESRI undertakes research designed to provide knowledge relevant to solving the major economic and social issues in Ireland.

Health & Safety

The ESRI is committed to the implementation of the requirements of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act, 1989 to ensure the health and safety of all employees and visitors to the Institute. A written safety statement has been prepared and is being implemented in accordance with the Act.

Prompt Payments of Accounts Act, 1997

The ESRI is included as a listed purchaser of goods in the schedule to the Prompt Payments of Accounts Act, 1997. Since 2 January 1998 the Act has come into operation and the ESRI has complied with the provisions of the Act. In accordance with the Act and guidelines issued by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, the following information is provided.

Procedures established to ensure compliance with the Act

The ESRI has procedures in place to ensure that all invoices are paid within the time limits specified on the invoices or the statutory time limit if no period is specified. While the procedures are designed to ensure compliance with the Act, they can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material non-compliance with the Act. These procedures operated in the period under review and no late payment interest has been incurred by the ESRI during the year.

Equality

The ESRI is an equal opportunities employer.

Auditors

Under Section 5 of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act, 1993 it is the responsibility of the Comptroller and Auditor General to audit the financial statements of the Institute.

STATEMENT OF COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES

The council members are required to prepare financial statements on a going concern basis which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for the year. In preparing those financial statements, the council members are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.
- disclose and explain any material departures from applicable accounting standards.

The council members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2001. To ensure that proper books and accounting records are kept in accordance with Section 202 of the Companies Act, 1990, the company has employed appropriately qualified personnel and has maintained appropriate computerised accounting systems. The books of account are located at the company's registered office at 4 Burlington Road, Dublin 4. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Brendan J. Whelan Council Member

Joseph F. Harford Council Member

Date: 2 August 2002

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REPORT OF THE COMPTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL

I have audited the financial statements on pages 58 to 67 under Section 5 of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act, 1993.

Respective Responsibilities of the Council Members and of the Comptroller and Auditor General

The accounting responsibilities of the Council of the Institute are set out in the Council Report on page 56. It is my responsibility, based on my audit, to form an independent opinion on the financial statements presented to me by the Council and to report on them.

Basis of Opinion

In the exercise of my function as Comptroller and Auditor General, I conducted my audit of the financial statements in accordance with auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board and by reference to the special considerations which attach to State bodies in relation to their management and operation.

An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Institute's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I planned and performed my audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations that I considered necessary to provide me with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming my opinion, I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

I have obtained all the information and explanations that I consider necessary for the purpose of my audit.

In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Institute and the financial statements, which are in agreement with them and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts 1963 to 2001, give a true and fair view of the state of the Institute's affairs at 31 December 2001 and of its deficit and cash flow for the year then ended.

In my opinion, the information given in the Council Report is consistent with the financial statements.

Gerard Smyth
For and on behalf of the
Comptroller and Auditor General

15 August 2002

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted by the company in determining the amounts included in the balance sheet and in determining the results for the year are as follows:

- 1. Basis of accounting**
The financial statements are prepared under the accruals method of accounting and the historical cost convention.
- 2. Grant-in-aid**
The income from this source represents the grant allocation in respect of the year.
- 3. Fixed assets**
Tangible fixed assets are shown at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is charged in the income and expenditure account, on a straight line basis, at the annual rates set out below, so as to write-off the assets, adjusted for estimated residual value, over the expected useful life of each appropriate category.

Computer equipment	33.3%
Other equipment, fixtures and fittings	20%

A full year's depreciation is provided for in the year of acquisition.

- 4. Leased assets**
Leasing arrangements that transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the company, finance leases, are capitalized at the arm's length cash price of the asset. The outstanding capital element of the related rental obligations is included in creditors. The excess of the total rentals payable over the amount capitalized is treated as interest and is charged to the income and expenditure account in proportion to the capital element outstanding under the lease. Rentals in respect of operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.
- 5. Superannuation**
The pension entitlements of employees are funded through Superannuation schemes. The pension costs relating to the schemes are assessed in accordance with the advice of qualified independent actuaries and are charged to the income and expenditure account on an accruals basis. The difference between the charges to the income and expenditure account and the contributions paid to the schemes are included as assets or liabilities in the balance sheet.
Post-retirement pension increases which are not a liability of the pension funds are paid by the ESRI.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

<i>Income</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>2001</i> <i>IR£</i>	<i>2001</i> <i>€</i>	<i>2000</i> <i>IR£</i>	<i>2000</i> <i>€</i>
Grant-in-Aid		1,947,000	2,472,180	1,766,405	2,242,872
Commissioned Research	1	3,705,299	4,704,759	3,376,890	4,287,766
Miscellaneous Income	2	<u>196,023</u>	<u>248,898</u>	<u>150,243</u>	<u>190,769</u>
Total Income		<u>5,848,322</u>	<u>7,425,837</u>	<u>5,293,538</u>	<u>6,721,407</u>
 <i>Expenditure</i>					
Salaries and Superannuation	3	3,907,580	4,961,603	3,361,785	4,268,586
Direct Project Expenses	4	979,813	1,244,106	896,464	1,138,274
Establishment	5	499,449	634,170	514,060	652,722
Administration	6	<u>555,118</u>	<u>704,854</u>	<u>555,148</u>	<u>704,893</u>
		<u>5,941,960</u>	<u>7,544,733</u>	<u>5,327,457</u>	<u>6,764,475</u>
 (DEFICIT)/EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		 <u>(93,638)</u>	 <u>(118,896)</u>	 <u>(33,919)</u>	 <u>(43,068)</u>

There are no recognised gains or losses, other than those dealt with in the Income and Expenditure Account.

The statement of accounting policies and the attached notes numbered 1 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements and should be read in conjunction therewith.

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Secretary: **Gillian Davidson**

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2001

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>2001 IR£</i>	<i>2001 €</i>	<i>2000 IR£</i>	<i>2000 €</i>
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	7	<u>141,126</u>	<u>179,193</u>	<u>156,365</u>	<u>198,543</u>
Current Assets					
Stock of stationery		500	635	500	635
Stock of printed materials		500	635	500	635
Debtors and prepaid expenses	8	954,651	1,212,156	1,131,494	1,436,701
Cash at bank and on hand		<u>334,260</u>	<u>424,423</u>	<u>639</u>	<u>811</u>
		<u>1,289,911</u>	<u>1,637,849</u>	<u>1,133,133</u>	<u>1,438,782</u>
Current Liabilities					
Sundry creditors and accrued expenses	9	1,360,360	1,727,301	875,248	1,111,336
Bank overdraft		-	-	<u>249,935</u>	<u>317,352</u>
		<u>1,360,360</u>	<u>1,727,301</u>	<u>1,125,183</u>	<u>1,428,688</u>
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)		(70,449)	(89,452)	7,950	10,094
Creditors (amounts falling due after more than one year)	10	-	-	-	-
Net Assets		<u>70,677</u>	<u>89,741</u>	<u>164,315</u>	<u>208,637</u>
Financed by:					
Accumulated Fund	12	<u>70,677</u>	<u>89,741</u>	<u>164,315</u>	<u>208,637</u>

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

Reconciliation of operating surplus/(deficit) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from Operating Activities

	2001 IR£	2001 €	2000 IR£	2000 €
Excess/(Deficit) of income over expenditure	(93,638)	(118,896)	(33,919)	(43,068)
Adjustment for non-operating items:				
Bank interest receivable	(128)	(163)	(58)	(74)
Bank interest payable	11,329	14,385	7,992	10,148
Finance lease interest	251	319	3,510	4,457
Depreciation charges	100,021	127,000	97,557	123,872
Decrease in stocks	-	-	770	978
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	176,843	224,545	(492,439)	(625,269)
Increase in creditors	<u>498,960</u>	<u>633,549</u>	<u>421,276</u>	<u>534,910</u>
Net cash inflow	693,638	880,739	4,689	5,954

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities	693,638	880,739	4,689	5,954
Returns on Investments and Servicing of Finance				
Interest received	128	163	78	99
Interest paid	(16,129)	(20,480)	(4,282)	(5,437)
Lease interest paid	<u>(251)</u>	<u>(319)</u>	<u>(3,510)</u>	<u>(4,457)</u>
	(16,252)	(20,636)	(7,714)	(9,795)
Capital Expenditure	<u>(84,781)</u>	<u>(107,650)</u>	<u>(108,668)</u>	<u>(137,980)</u>
	592,605	752,453	(111,693)	(141,821)
Financing:				
Lease capital payments	<u>(9,048)</u>	<u>(11,489)</u>	<u>(19,214)</u>	<u>(24,397)</u>
Increase in Cash	583,557	740,964	(130,907)	(166,218)
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movements in net funds				
(Decrease)/increase in cash in year	583,557	740,964	(130,907)	(166,218)
Net (debt)/funds at 1 January 2001	<u>(249,296)</u>	<u>(316,541)</u>	<u>(118,389)</u>	<u>(150,323)</u>
Net (debt)/funds at 31 December 2001	334,261	424,423	(249,296)	(316,541)

Analysis of change in net (debt)/funds

	Cash at Bank and in hand	Bank Overdraft	Total IR£	Total €
At beginning of year	639	(249,935)	(249,296)	(316,541)
Cash Flows	<u>333,622</u>	<u>249,935</u>	<u>583,557</u>	<u>740,964</u>
At end of year	334,261	-	334,261	424,423

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1. Commissioned Research

	2001 IR£	2001 €	2000 IR£	2000 €
Commissioned Research	3,455,299	4,387,324	3,126,890	3,970,331
Transfers from ESR Trust	250,000	317,435	230,000	292,040
Covenant Income	-	-	20,000	25,395
	<u>3,705,299</u>	<u>4,704,759</u>	<u>3,376,890</u>	<u>4,287,766</u>

2. Miscellaneous Income

	2001 IR£	2001 €	2000 IR£	2000 €
Members' subscriptions	111,486	141,557	82,875	105,229
Sale of publications	59,311	75,310	52,848	67,103
Miscellaneous income	<u>25,226</u>	<u>32,031</u>	<u>14,520</u>	<u>18,437</u>
	<u>196,023</u>	<u>248,898</u>	<u>150,243</u>	<u>190,769</u>

3. Staff Wages and Salaries

3.1 The number of persons employed (full-time equivalents) including casual and short-term contract staff in the financial year was 82 (2000: 82). Total permanent staff (full-time equivalents) employed in the year was 63 (2000: 61).

3.2 The salaries and superannuation costs were incurred as follows:

	2001 IR£	2001 €	2000 IR£	2000 €
Research	1,710,777	2,172,238	1,500,835	1,905,667
Survey unit administration and technical staff	373,916	474,776	360,570	457,829
Clerical and other staff	524,766	666,315	476,606	605,165
Hospital-In-Patient Enquiry (HIPE)/ Perinatal Reporting System	339,501	431,077	240,290	305,106
Administration	157,529	200,021	136,989	173,940
Superannuation and Employer's PRSI	<u>801,091</u>	<u>1,017,176</u>	<u>646,495</u>	<u>820,879</u>
	<u>3,907,580</u>	<u>4,961,603</u>	<u>3,361,785</u>	<u>4,268,586</u>

3.3 The charge to salaries includes costs of IR£9,454/€12,004 (2000: IR£11,354/€14,417) incurred in respect of the production of *The Economic and Social Review*. (See Note 14)

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4. Direct Project Expenses

	<i>2001</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2000</i>
	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>
Consultants and Network Partners	119,998	152,366	410,195	520,840
Field Staff Fees and Expenses	785,670	997,595	394,913	501,436
Travel	<u>74,145</u>	<u>94,145</u>	<u>91,356</u>	<u>115,998</u>
	<u>979,813</u>	<u>1,244,106</u>	<u>896,464</u>	<u>1,138,274</u>

5. Establishment Costs

	<i>2001</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2000</i>
	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>
Rent & Rates	309,568	393,070	308,085	391,187
Heat, light, maintenance and cleaning	89,861	114,100	108,418	137,663
Depreciation	<u>100,020</u>	<u>127,000</u>	<u>97,557</u>	<u>123,872</u>
	<u>499,449</u>	<u>634,170</u>	<u>514,060</u>	<u>652,722</u>

The Company occupies premises at 4 Burlington Road, Dublin 4 under a 63 year lease which commenced on 27 March 1969.

6. Administration

	<i>2001</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2000</i>
	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>
Fellowships	6,000	7,618	7,000	8,888
Printing and Stationery	149,368	189,659	151,822	192,774
Postage, insurance, telephone and general				
Computer Costs	191,994	243,781	189,457	240,561
Travel	80,342	102,013	93,000	118,086
Library books and subscriptions	41,018	52,082	33,310	42,295
Professional Fees	57,473	72,976	49,037	62,264
Audit Fees	23,923	30,376	27,102	34,413
	<u>5,000</u>	<u>6,349</u>	<u>4,420</u>	<u>5,612</u>
	<u>555,118</u>	<u>704,854</u>	<u>555,148</u>	<u>704,893</u>

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7. Tangible Assets

	<i>Computer equipment IR£</i>	<i>Equipment, fixtures and fittings IR£</i>	<i>Total IR£</i>	<i>Total €</i>
Cost:				
At beginning of year	384,128	184,726	568,854	722,296
Additions	59,090	25,692	84,782	107,650
Disposals	-	-	-	-
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At end of year	<u>443,218</u>	<u>210,418</u>	<u>653,636</u>	<u>829,946</u>
Accumulated Depreciation:				
At beginning of year	321,314	91,175	412,489	523,753
Provided in year	62,410	37,611	100,021	127,000
Disposals	-	-	-	-
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At end of year	<u>383,724</u>	<u>128,786</u>	<u>512,510</u>	<u>650,753</u>
Net book value at end of year	<u>59,494</u>	<u>81,632</u>	<u>141,126</u>	<u>179,193</u>
Net book value at beginning of year	<u>62,814</u>	<u>93,551</u>	<u>156,365</u>	<u>198,543</u>

8. Debtors and Prepaid Expenses

	<i>2001 IR£</i>	<i>2001 €</i>	<i>2000 IR£</i>	<i>2000 €</i>
Revenue from projects	826,831	1,049,858	1,019,143	1,294,045
Other debtors and prepaid expenses	<u>127,820</u>	<u>162,298</u>	<u>112,351</u>	<u>142,656</u>
	<u>954,651</u>	<u>1,212,156</u>	<u>1,131,494</u>	<u>1,436,701</u>

9. Creditors and Accrued Expenses

	<i>2001 IR£</i>	<i>2001 €</i>	<i>2000 IR£</i>	<i>2000 €</i>
Payroll taxes	148,170	188,137	118,337	150,257
Value Added Tax	208,710	265,007	-	-
Other creditors and accrued expenses	1,003,480	1,274,157	747,863	949,590
Obligations under finance leases	-	-	<u>9,048</u>	<u>11,489</u>
	<u>1,360,360</u>	<u>1,727,301</u>	<u>875,248</u>	<u>1,111,336</u>

10. Creditors (Amounts falling due after more than one year)

	<i>2001 IR£</i>	<i>2001 €</i>	<i>2000 IR£</i>	<i>2000 €</i>
Obligations under finance leases	-	-	-	-

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11. **Taxation**
The company is exempted from liability to corporation tax under Section 227 Schedule 4 of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997.

12. **Accumulated Fund**

	<i>2001</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2000</i>
	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>	<i>IR£</i>	<i>€</i>
Accumulated fund at beginning of year	164,315	208,637	198,234	251,705
Excess (Deficit) of income over expenditure	<u>(93,638)</u>	<u>(118,896)</u>	<u>(33,919)</u>	<u>(43,068)</u>
Accumulated fund at end of year	70,677	89,741	164,315	208,637

13. **Commitments – Capital and Others**

13.1 **Capital Commitments:**

The company had neither contracted for, nor had the council members authorised, any capital expenditure at the balance sheet date.

13.2 **Operating Leases:**

Leasing commitments payable during the next twelve months amount to €387,270 made up as follows:

	<i>Fixtures and Fittings</i>	<i>Lease of Property</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>€</i>	<i>€</i>	<i>€</i>
Payable on leases which expire			
Within two to five years	–	–	–
After five years	–	<u>387,270</u>	<u>387,270</u>
	–	387,270	387,270

14. **Related Company**

At 31 December 2001 the following related undertakings were in existence.

(a) **Economic and Social Research Trust:**

The Trust was established in 1992 as a company limited by guarantee by the ESRI (which nominates its membership) to assist by way of funding The Economic and Social Research Institute in the promotion of research. In 2001 the Trust transferred funds to the ESRI of IR£250,000/€317,435 (2000: IR£230,000/€292,040). At 31 December 2001 the company had net assets of IR£1,447,091/€1,837,427 (2000: IR£1,450,062/€1,841,199).

(b) **Economic and Social Studies:**

This is an associated company established in 1969 at the initiative of the ESRI to foster and promote the education of the Irish public in the social and economic sciences with particular reference to economic and social conditions in or affecting Ireland.

15. **Contingent Liabilities**

The council members were not aware of any material contingent liabilities at the balance sheet date.

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16. Pensions

Superannuation benefits are conferred by the ESRI under two superannuation schemes:

- Supervisors, Clerical and Other Administrative Staff
- Research Staff Scheme

Both schemes are defined benefit schemes. The benefits are funded by contributions from the employer and are also funded by contributions from employees in respect of spouses and children's pensions. The contributions are transferred to a managed fund administered by trustees appointed by the ESRI.

Pension increases in the Research Staff Scheme are in line with changes in salary rates in the ESRI. Under the rules of the Research Scheme the Scheme is not deemed liable for increases to pensions in payment. Such increases were historically met from Institute revenue. However, since 1 August 1993 the Institute contribution rate paid has made some allowance for some pre-funding of pension increases for active members. From 1 January 2002 it is the Institute's intention to fully pre-fund pension increases.

Actuarial Valuation

The latest actuarial valuations for the schemes were at 1 August 1999 using the attained age method of funding. The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results of the valuation are those relating to the rate of return on investments and the rate of increase in salaries and pensions. It was assumed that the investment returns would be 7 per cent per annum, that real salary increases would be 5 per cent per annum and that present and future pensions would increase at the rate of 3.5 per cent per annum.

The total market values of the assets of the schemes at that date were IR£8,086,400/€10,267,610 (actuarial valuation was IR£7,162,100/€9,093,991). The actuarial value represented 98 per cent of the benefits that had accrued to members at the date of valuation.

Contributions and related administration costs of the superannuation funds charged for the year were IR£483,663/€614,125 of which IR£50,803/€64,507 was accrued at 31 December 2001.

FRS 17 Valuation

A new accounting standard, Financial Reporting Standard 17 – Retirement Benefits (FRS 17), was issued in November 2000. The standard has introduced significant changes in the way pension costs are dealt with. The standard does not become mandatory until 2003, however as part of the transitional provisions companies must disclose by way of note the effect on the balance sheet as at 31 December 2001 of adopting FRS 17.

The valuation used for FRS17 disclosure has been based on a full actuarial valuation at 1 August 1999 and updated at 31 December 2001 by a qualified actuary to take account of the requirements of FRS17 in order to assess the scheme liabilities at 31 December 2001. Scheme assets are stated at their market value at 31 December 2001. In accordance with the transitional arrangements for the introduction of FRS17 the following information is given by way of note only.

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The financial assumptions used to calculate scheme assets and liabilities under FRS17 are

Discount Rate	6.00%
Salary Increase Assumption	4.00%
Inflation	2.25%
Pension Increases	
Clerical Scheme	2.00%
Research Staff Scheme	3.00%
Expected Return on Assets	
Equities	8.50%
Bonds	5.50%
Property	7.00%
Cash	3.00%

Value as at 31 December 2001

	€	IR£
Equities	6,991,405	5,506,179
Property	746,557	587,961
Bonds	2,007,633	1,581,140
Cash	495,689	390,387
Insured Assets	<u>1,143,924</u>	<u>900,913</u>
Total Market Value of Assets	11,385,208	8,966,580
Value of Past Service Liabilities	<u>(13,585,150)</u>	<u>(10,699,175)</u>
Deficit in Scheme	(2,199,942)	(1,732,595)

Included in the FRS figures is the cost of that portion of pensions, which is paid from the current revenue of the Institute rather than from the pension scheme. Also included is the cost of additional benefits introduced since the last valuation, which will be funded by the ESRI in future contributions to the scheme.

The current contribution rate paid by the Institute takes account of these additional costs with the aim of pre-funding all post retirement benefits and is deemed sufficient until the next valuation, which is due at 1 August 2002.

17. Approval of Financial Statements

The Financial Statements were approved by the Executive Committee on 2 August 2002.





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