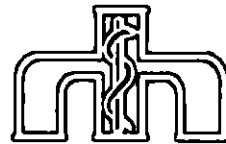


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MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD

*“Pursuing Health gain for
the people of Laois, Offaly,
Westmeath and Longford”*

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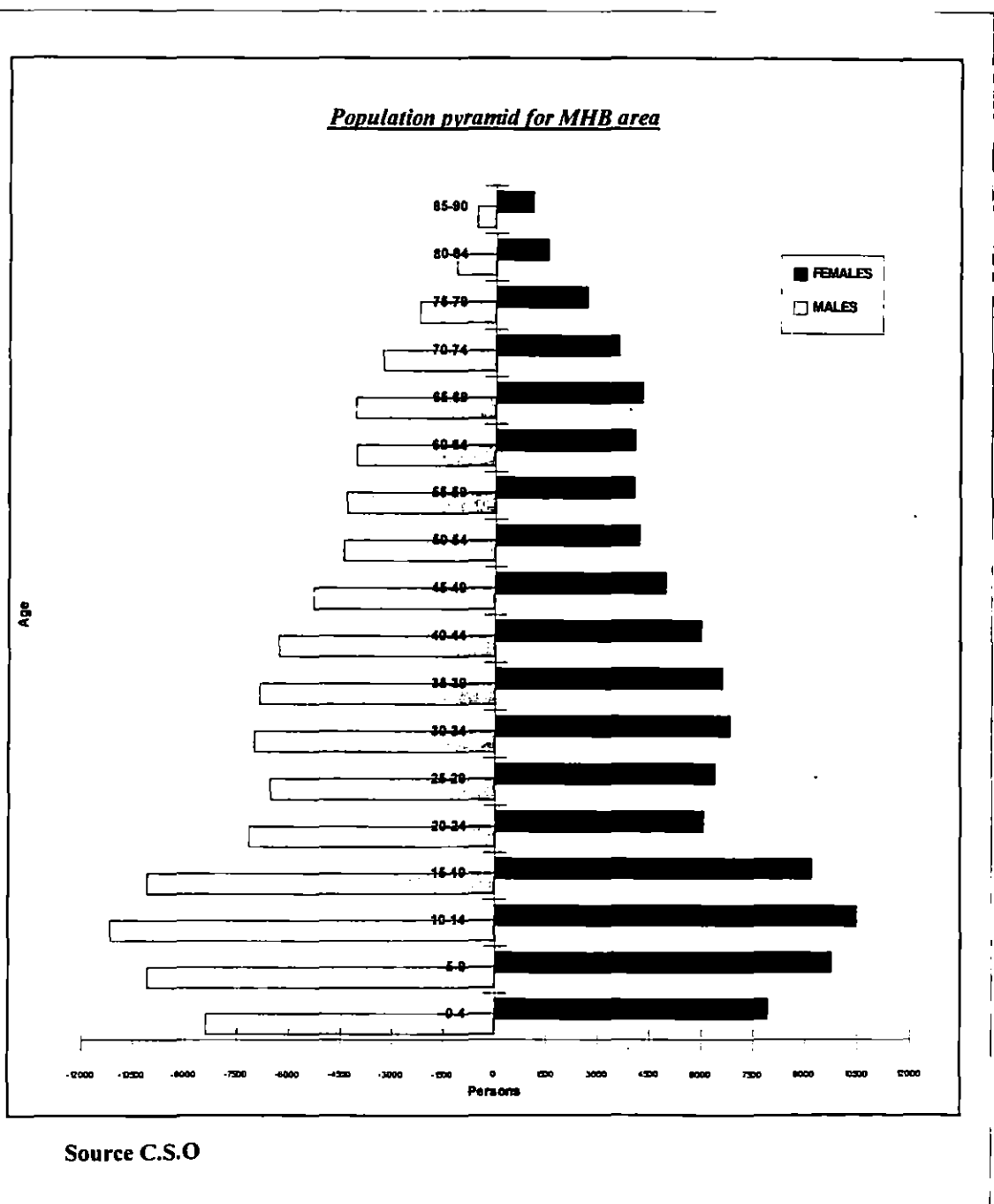
POPULATION HEALTH

The Population

205,272 people live in the Midland Health Board area, an increase of 1.1% over the 1991 census total.

Table 1.1

County	1991	1996
Laois	52,314	52,798
Offaly	58,494	59,080
Longford	30,296	30,138
Westmeath	61,880	63,236
TOTAL	202,984	205,272



Population of each Urban and Rural District, 1991-1996

Co. Laois.

District	1991	1996		Change in population 1991 - 1996		
	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Actual	Percentage
Rural Districts						
Abbeyleix	12,158	12,014	6,274	5,740	-144	-1.2
Athy No.2	4,806	4,828	2,459	2,369	22	0.5
Mountmellick	28,022	28,664	14,586	14,078	642	2.3
Roscrea No. 3	2,695	2,570	1,358	1,212	-125	-4.6
Slievemargy	4,633	4,722	2,445	2,277	89	1.9
TOTAL	52,314	52,798	27,122	25,676	484	0.9

CO. OFFALY:

District	1991	1996		Change in population 1991 - 1996		
	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Actual	Percentage
Urban Districts						
Birr	3,280	3,352	1,624	1,728	72	2.2
Tullamore	8,622	9,213	4,429	4,784	591	6.9
Rural Districts						
Birr No. 1	15,460	15,291	7,829	7,462	-169	-1.1
Edenderry No. 1	8,665	8,607	4,380	4,227	-58	-0.7
Roscrea No.2	4,673	4,506	2,483	2,023	-167	-3.6
Tullamore	17,794	18,111	9,217	8,894	317	1.8
TOTAL	58,494	59,080	29,962	29,118	586	1.0

CO. LONGFORD:

District	1991	1996		Change in population 1991 - 1996		
	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Actual	Percentage
Urban Districts						
Longford	6,393	6,436	3,192	3,244	43	0.7
Rural Districts						
Ballymahon	5,412	5,366	2,788	2,578	-46	-0.8
Granard No. 1.	7,722	7,433	3,850	3,583	-289	-3.7
Longford	10,769	10,903	5,648	5,255	134	1.2
TOTAL	30,296	30,138	15,478	14,660	-158	-0.5

CO. WESTMEATH.

District	1991		1996		Change in population 1991-1996	
	Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Actual	Percentage
Urban District						
Athlone	8,170	7,679	3,552	4,127	-491	-6.0
Rural Districts						
Athlone No. 1	14,137	14,670	7,340	7,330	533	3.8
Ballymore	1,989	1,935	1,029	906	-54	-2.7
Coole	1,629	1,653	837	816	24	1.5
Delvin	5,712	5,765	2,953	2,812	53	0.9
Mullingar	30,243	31,534	15,825	15,709	1,291	4.3
TOTAL	61,880	63,236	31,536	31,700	1,356	2.2

Midland Health Board Region		
<i>Age Distribution of Population (1991) Census *</i>		
0 - 14 years	57,879	28.51%
15 - 29 years	45,506	22.42%
30 - 44 years	39,708	19.56%
45 - 64 years	35,439	17.46%
65 years and over	24,452	12.05%
Total	202,984	100.00%
Percentage of Population aged 0 - 14 years (1991)		28.51%
Percentage of Population aged 65 years and over		12.05%
Dependency Ratio* *		1 : 1.146
Percentage of Estimated Labour Force Unemployed at 31/12/94		14.60%
* An age breakdown of the 1996 census report will be not available until late 1997		
** Number of persons aged 0-14 years and over 65 years as a proportion of those aged 15 - 64 years		

Infant, Neonatal and Perinatal Death Rates.

	Midland Health Board	Republic of Ireland
* Infant Death Rate per 1,000 live births	4.7	6.3
** Neonatal Death Rate per 1,000 live births	4.0	4.6
*** Perinatal Death Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths	7.6	9.6

- * An infant death is the death of a child under the age of one years.
- ** A neonatal death refers to the death of a live born infant during the first week of life.
- *** Perinatal deaths include stillbirths and early neonatal deaths.

Direct Standardised Death Rates.

1991 - 1995 per 100,000 population.

Deaths from all causes.

	Midland Health Board	Ireland
Male	1169.95	1139.85
Female	752.89	721.28
TOTAL	945.24	905.10

The standardised overall death rates are higher than the National Average.

WHO Standard European Population

Source: D.O.H.

Direct Standardised Death Rates 1991 - 1995 per 100,000 Population.

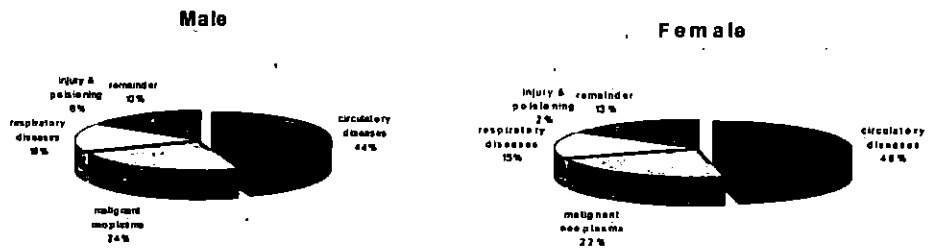
	Midland Health Board			Ireland		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Causes	1170	753	945	1140	721	905
Cardiovascular Deaths	536	336	432	515	313	405
Cancer	265	187	221	272	186	222
Injury & Poisoning	69	21	45	59	22	40

W.H.O. Standard European Population

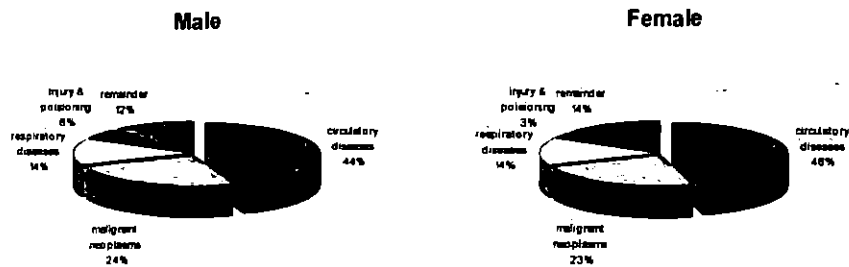
Source: D.O.H.

Causes of Death - Cumulative Figures 1991-1995

Midland Health Board Area



Republic of Ireland



There is little difference in the proportion of deaths attributable to different causes in the Midland Health Board and the state as a whole. Diseases of the circulation (heart and blood vessels) account for almost 50% of all deaths in both men and women, with cancer as the next most common cause of death among both sexes.

Source: C.S.O

TRAVELLER FAMILY STATISTICS:-

LAOIS

	1993	1994	1995	1996
No. of Families living in standard Local Authority Houses	10	10	14	16
No. of Families living in group Local Authority Houses	-	-	-	-
No. of Families in Halting Sites	26	35	15	21
Total Number of Families on the roadside	27	35	27	34
Total Number of families settled	36	45	29	37
Total number of families in the County	63	80	56	71

OFFALY

	1993	1994	1995	1996
No. of Families living in standard Local Authority Houses	28	32	39	41
No. of Families living in group Local Authority Houses	-	-	-	-
No. of Families in Halting Sites	21	20	18	19
Total Number of Families on the roadside	82	71	73	62
Total Number of families settled	49	52	57	60
Total Number of families in the County	131	123	130	122

WESTMEATH

	1993	1994	1995	1996
No. of Families living in standard Local Authority Houses	88	89	92	96
No. of Families living in group Local Authority Houses	-	-	-	-
No. of Families in Halting Sites	18	30	30	26
Total Number of Families on the roadside	13	7	8	14
Total Number of families settled	106	119	122	122
Total Number of families in the County	119	126	130	136

LONGFORD

	1993	1994	1995	1996
No. of Families living in standard Local Authority Houses	91	96	102	111
No. of Families living in group Houses	-	-	-	-
No. of Families in Halting Sites	7	9	9	3
Total Number of Families on the roadside	10	15	31	23
Total Number of families settled	98	105	111	114
Total Number of families in the County	108	120	142	137

The above analysis indicates that some 133 (28.54%) of families still continue to live on the roadside.

National Parent Support Programme 1996:-
(October, 1995 - September, 1996)

Total Number Offered Programme	172
1st Time Mothers	70
2nd Time Mothers	30
Other	72

Uptake of Programme:-

Number who completed Programme	51
Number who received 5+ visits	24
Number who received less than 5 visits	64
Number currently on Programme	33



CHILDREN & FAMILIES

CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN:-

MOTHER & INFANT CARE SERVICE 1996:

	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Ante-Natal Examinations performed by G.P.'s in 1996:	1,574	907	2,481
Fees paid to G.P.'s in 1996:	£0.106m	£0.102m	£0.208m

MATERNITY CASH GRANTS (Section 64 Health Act 1970)

	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of applications granted in 1996:	205	97	302
Number refused in 1996:	6	1	7
TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996:	£1,800	£1,000	£2,800

BABY VISITS:-

	Longford/Westmeath	Laois/Offaly
Initial Home Visits	1,246	2,190
Vulnerable families	133	341

DEVELOPMENTAL CLINICS:-

	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Children called to Clinics:	2,292	1,930	4,222
Number who attended:	1,762	1,485	3,247
Number who did not attend:	530	445	975

SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICES:-

SCREENING OF VISION DEFECTS

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	Total
Number screened for Vision Defects	6,683	6,722	13,405
No. referred to Eye Clinic	433	785	1,218

AUDIOMETRY

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	Total
No. screened for Hearing Defects	2,782	1,571	4,353
No. referred to N.R.B.	261	26	287
Other	-	24	24

ENURESIS ADVISORY CLINICS:

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	Total
No. of referrals	62	68	130
No. Discharged	36	36	72

DENTAL SERVICES**SCHOOL DENTAL SCHEME:-**

SCHOOL DENTAL SCHEME	Longford/Westmeath	Laois/Offaly
No. of National School Children	14,568	16,600
No. of Children Screened	8,653	9,348
No. of Fillings	3,440	4,612
No. of permanent extractions	897	1,202
Preventative Treatment:-		
No. of Fissure Seal & Top. Fluoride.	12,876	12,008
No. receiving mouth rinse	3,733	6,168
No. of children serviced by Flouridated water supplies	10,835	8,000
No. referred for Specialist Care	250	212

ORTHODONTIC SERVICES 1996

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	TOTAL
New Starts 1996:	160	177	337
Completed Treatments 1996:	111	91	202
Number in active Treatment at 31/12/96:	864	479	1,343
Number on Waiting List at 31/12/96:	426	209	635
Cost of Service 1996:	£0.184m	£0.112m	£0.296m

ORAL SURGERY - CHILDREN

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	TOTAL
Number of Children Referred:	52	73	125

SPEECH & LANGUAGE THERAPY SERVICES:-**Statistics 1996**

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	Total
No. patients seen for Therapy in Health Centres & Special Schools	1,321	1,295	2,616
No. patients referred 1996	494	491	985
No. patients awaiting screening assessment 1996	47	45	92
No. patients discharged 1996	115	113	228.-

CHILD & ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES -1996

Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrists:	Longford/Westmeath	Dr. A. D'Alton.
	Laois/Offaly	Dr. C. Halpin

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH

LOCATION OF CLINICS	CLINICS		PATIENT NUMBERS						ATTENDANCES					
	Number Held During Year		Number Aged Under 16 Years		Number Aged 16 Yrs and Over		No. Referred for In-Patient Admission		New		Return		Total	
	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996
Mullingar	50	50	600	126	6	1	3	8	74	81	530	545	604	626
Athlone	50	50	795	100	2	4	4	3	68	52	734	379	802	431
Longford	50	50	425	98	1	1	5	6	59	46	369	235	428	281
Total	150	150	1,820	224	9	6	12	17	201	179	1,633	1,159	1,834	1,338

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LAOIS/OFFALY

LOCATION OF CLINICS	CLINICS		PATIENT NUMBERS						ATTENDANCES					
	Number Held During Year		Number Aged Under 16 Years		Number Aged 16 Yrs and Over		No. Referred for In-Patient Admission		New		Return		Total	
	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996
Portlaoise	75	81	946	79	5	3	3	5	95	77	856	605	951	682
Tullamore	52	45	688	43	2	1	3	3	47	55	643	396	690	451
Birr	11	11	70	6	-	1	-	-	10	10	60	54	70	64
Edenderry	12	13	66	5	2	2	-	-	13	6	55	56	68	62
Total	150	150	1,770	133	9	7	6	8	165	148	1,614	1,111	1,779	1,259

CHILD WELFARE SERVICES:

ABUSE ALLEGATIONS:

	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Neglect	Total
Alleged	286	193	179	843	1,501

OUTCOMES:

Confirmed:	71	31	69	335	506
Unfounded:	23	17	14	86	140
Suspected but not confirmed:	71	79	25	159	334
Still under investigation at end of 1996:	121	66	71	263	521

FOSTER CARE:

Details of children in care by type of care and community care area.

1996	Foster Care		Total	Residential Care		Total	In Care Total
	Laois / Offaly	Longford / Westmeath		Laois / Offaly	Longford / Westmeath		
In care at 1-1-95.	84	115	199	12	13	25	224.
Received into care in 1996.	144	229	373	5	5	10	383
Discharged from care in 1996.	148	208	356	3	5	8	364
In care on 31-12-96	80	136	216	14	13	27	243

FOSTER CARE ACTIVITY:-

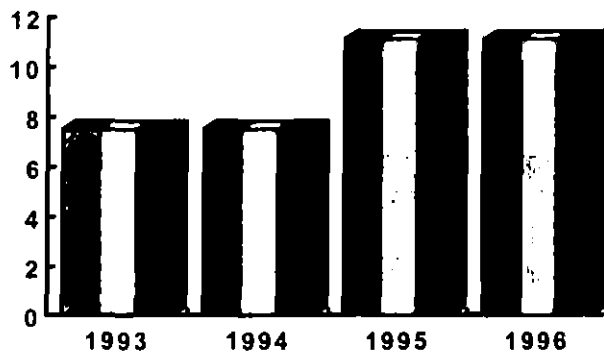
	Laois / Offaly	Longford / Westmeath	Total
Foster Care Enquiries.	87	50	137
Foster Care Applications.	26	39	65
Assessment for placement with relatives.	11	6	17.

RESIDENTIAL CARE.

Number of children in care and type of care as of 31st December 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996.

	1993	1994	1995	1996
Foster Care	244	239	199	216
Residential Care	20	19	25	27
Total	264	258	224	243

Percentage of children in Residential Care.



7.58% 7.36% 11.16% 11.11%

1993 = 20 children.

1995 = 25 children.

1994 = 19 children.

1996 = 27 children.

Age profile of children in the Board's Residential Centres 1996 *.

Age	9	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Male	1	3	3	3	3	0	1	1
Female	0	4	2	2	3	1	1	1

* These figures include 2 young people from outside the Board's area.

ADOPTION.

	Laois / Offaly	Longford / Westmeath.	Total
Irish Adoption Work.	10	13	23
Foreign Adoption Applications.	14	7	21.
Tracing.	21	41	62

Number of children placed for adoption 1993 - 1996.

1993	2
1994	1
1995	3
1996	0

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES:-

Activity 1996	
Number of Referrals	440
Number of Clients seen	395

FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES

GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES SCHEME:-

The Report of the General Medical Services (Payments) Board for year ended 31st December, 1995 indicated the following salient statistics in respect of the Midland Health Board area:-

NUMBER OF PEOPLE COVERED BY THE SCHEME: -

81,386 Persons - some 40.09 % of the population.

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANT DOCTORS AND PHARMACISTS:-

97 Doctors and .66 Pharmacists.

COST PER ELIGIBLE PATIENT:-

£198.67 - an increase of 5.72% on 1994.

The highest in the country was £203.33 and the lowest was £183.14.

PRESCRIPTIONS & MEDICINES:-

NUMBER	% INCREASE ON 1994	NATIONAL % INCREASE ON 1994
FORMS = £ 610,071	4.16	5.16
ITEMS = £1,239,195	4.47	5.43

The average cost per prescription was £7.95

PAYMENTS TO DOCTORS AND PHARMACISTS:-

	1994	1995
DOCTORS	£6.034M	£6.213M
PHARMACISTS	£11.086M	£10.330M

MEDICAL CARDS:

ANALYSIS BY COUNTY AT 31/12/96:

County	Number of Cards Current on 31/12/96	Number of Eligible Persons on 31/12/96	Number of Eligible Persons on 31/12/96 as % of Population	Population
LAOIS:	12,491	21,518	40.75%	52,798
OFFALY:	13,823	23,634	40.00%	59,080
WESTMEATH:	13,444	22,337	35.32%	63,236
LONGFORD:	7,527	12,957	42.99%	30,138
TOTAL:	47,285	80,446	39.19%	205,252

ADULT DENTAL SERVICES:-

DENTAL TREATMENT SERVICES SCHEME - PAYMENTS & TREATMENTS UNDER SCHEME IN 1996:

Category	Treatments	Payments Made £
Emergency:	13,264	0.373m
Above the Line:	5,404	0.098m
Below the Line:	539	0.062m
Dentures:	978	0.115m
Lab. Charge:	129	0.011m
TOTAL:	20,314	0.659m

ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY COMMUNITY CARE AREA:

	LAOIS/OFFALY £	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH £	TOTAL £
Emergency:	0.209m	0.163m	0.372m
Routine:	0.170m	0.106m	0.276m
TOTAL:	0.379m	0.269m	0.648m

(figures are exclusive of Laboratory Charges).

NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING PRIVATE DENTISTS:

	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Participating Private Dentists:	21	16	37

ORAL SURGERY ADULTS:

	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Referrals 1996:	78	108	186

WELFARE SERVICES:-

SUPPLEMENTARY WELFARE ALLOWANCE:

EXPENDITURE ANALYSIS 1996:

	£	%
Basic Payments	2.789m.	48.96
Supplements	2.518m.	44.21
Exceptional Needs	0.389m.	6.83
TOTAL	5.696m.	100.00

Note: Table 2 shows that 48.96% of total expenditure was in respect of basic payments, 44.21% in respect of supplements and exceptional needs payments accounted for 6.83% of the total expenditure.

	1995 £	1996 £	% CHANGE %
Basics	2.539m.	2.789m	+9.87
Supplements:	2.066m.	2.518m.	+21.90
Exceptional Needs:	0.337m.	0.389m.	+15.54
TOTAL:	4.942m.	5.696m.	+15.28

PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES:-

HOSPICE/HOME CARE SERVICE STATISTICS 1996

	Lais/Oldy	Loogfoed/Westmeath
Total number of referrals	248	148
Visits to patients/relatives	2,823	1,347
Hospice/hospital visits	944	386
Total Number of deaths	198	117
Home	105	57
Hospital	60	26
Nursing Home	-	15
Hospice	33	19

COMMUNITY DRUGS SCHEMES:-

REFUND OF DRUGS SCHEME:

YEAR	EXPENDITURE
1994	£0.679m.
1995	£0.791m
1996	£1.197m

DRUG COST SUBSIDISATION SCHEME:

YEAR	COST
1994	£0.933m.
1995	£1.280m.
1996	£1.594m.

LONG TERM ILLNESS SCHEME:

YEAR	COST
1994	£0.824m.
1995	£0.923m.
1996	£1.053m.

STATISTICS - REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES:

	LAOIS/ OFFALY	LONGFORD/ WESTMEATH
Total No. of Births Registered in the Boards area:-		
- 1991	1,301	1,144
- 1992	1,198	1,202
-1993	1,131	1,127
-1994	1,180	1,088
-1995	1,112	1,195
-1996	1,092	1,168
Total No. of Deaths Registered in the Board's area:-		
- 1991	932	891
- 1992	1,021	813
-1993	981	874
-1994	1,012	888
-1995	1,034	844
-1996	935	611
Total No. of Marriages Registered in the Board's area:-		
- 1991	537	457
- 1992	541	446
-1993	548	395
-1994	512	430
-1995	603	398
-1996	489	289

The Board operates a Registration Service from the following locations:-

Tullamore, Birr, Edenderry, Portlaoise, Mullingar, Longford and Athlone. In addition to the foregoing there are a number of local Registrars.

THE ELDERLY

**CARE CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY
SUMMARY PROFILE 1996**

Riada House, Tullamore.

ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. J. Kincaid.
MATRON:	Ms. M. Hooper (Acting)

NO. OF BEDS 40

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days:	14,454
Total Admissions:	185
% Bed Occupancy	99%

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Mgt./Admin.	1.00
Nursing	7.55
Paramedical	-
Non-Nursing	6.72
Maintenance/Other	-

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	0.371
Non-pay	0.040
Total(Gross)	0.411
Income	0.127
Total (nett)	0.284

District Hospital, Abbeyleix.

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. F. Kelly.
MATRON:	Ms A. Doherty

NUMBER OF BEDS: 50

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days:	17,734
Total Admissions:	200
% Bed Occupancy:	97.00%

Physiotherapy Services:

Number of patients treated:	225
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NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Mgt/Admin	0.52
Nursing	16.49
Paramedical	0.19
Non-Nursing	19.5
Maintenance/other	1.20

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	0.700
Non-pay	0.158
Total (Gross)	0.858
Income	0.163
Total (nett)	0.695

*The above W.T.E. values do not include medical services which are provided by General Practitioners on a contract basis.

**CARE CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY
SUMMARY PROFILE 1996**

COMMUNITY NURSING UNIT, BIRR

ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. J. Kincaid
MATRON:	Ms. M. Collins
NO. OF BEDS	70
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY	
Total Patient Days:	23,543
Total Admissions:	433
% Bed Occupancy	92.15%
NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*	
(Source: 1996 Staff Census)	
Mgt./Admin.	1.00
Nursing	17.26
Paramedical	1.25
Non-Nursing	21.44
Maintenance/Other	1.00
EXPENDITURE 1996	
	£m
Pay	0.753
Non-pay	0.155
Total (Gross)	0.908
Income	0.214
Total (nett)	0.694

ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL, MOUNTMELICK

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. F. Kelly
MATRON:	Ms. P. Lane
NUMBER OF BEDS:	164
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY	
Total Patient Days:	56,989
Total Admissions:	222
% Bed Occupancy:	95.20%
Physiotherapy Services:	
Number of patients treated:	180
NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*	
(Source: 1996 Staff Census)	
Mgt/Admin	1.58
Nursing	43.98
Paramedical	3.48
Non-Nursing	71.22
Maintenance/other	2.10
EXPENDITURE 1996	
	£m
Pay	2.109
Non-pay	0.484
Total (Gross)	2.593
Income	0.544
Total (nett)	2.049

COMMUNITY NURSING UNIT, EDENDERRY

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR	Mr. J. Kincaid.
MATRON:	Ms. M. Scanlon
NUMBER OF BEDS:	44
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY	
Total Patient Days:	15,044
Total Admissions:	24
% Bed Occupancy:	93.67%
NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*	
Mgt./Admin.	1
Nursing	10.43
Paramedical	0.24
Non-Nursing	15.08
Maintenance/other	-
EXPENDITURE 1996	
	£m
Pay	0.486
Non-Pay	0.093
Total (Gross)	0.579
Income	0.131
Total (Nett)	0.448

*The above W.T.E. values do not include medical services which are provided by General Practitioners on a contract basis.

**CARE CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY
SUMMARY PROFILE 1996**

AGED CARE UNIT, TULLAMORE

ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. L. Connolly
MATRON:	Mr. R.H. Lane

NO. OF BEDS	47
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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days:	14,718
Total Admissions:	823
% Bed Occupancy	85.56%

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*

(Included in total staff for General Hospital, Tullamore)

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	(Included in expenditure
Non-pay	for the
Total(Gross)	General Hospital
Income	Tullamore)
Total (nett)	

ST. BRIGID'S HOSPITAL, SHAEN

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. F. Kelly
MATRON:	Ms. C. Earley

NUMBER OF BEDS:	58
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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days:	21,077
Total Admissions:	8
% Bed Occupancy:	99.30%

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Mgt/Admin	1.24
Nursing	15.82
Paramedical	-
Non-Nursing	24.0
Maintenance/other	0.30

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	0.731
Non-pay	0.138
Total (Gross)	0.869
Income	0.212
Total (nett)	0.656

*The above W.T.E. values do not include medical services which are provided by General Practitioners on a contract basis.

**CARE CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY
SUMMARY PROFILE 1996**

ST. MARY'S HOSP., MULLINGAR

ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. T. O'Hara
MATRON:	Ms. E. Greene

NO. OF BEDS	151
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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days:	46,721
Total Admissions:	161
% Bed Occupancy	84.54%
<u>Physiotherapy Services:</u>	
No. of patients treated:	132
<u>Occupational Therapy</u>	
No. of patients treated:	112

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E. *

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)	
Mgt./Admin.	1.00
Nursing	50.01
Paramedical	3.35
Non-Nursing	49.75
Maintenance/Other	6.00

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	1.964
Non-pay	0.526
Total (Gross)	2.490
Income	0.467
Total (nett)	2.023

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSP., LONGFORD

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:	Mr. T. O'Hara
MATRON:	Sr. I. Scally

NUMBER OF BEDS:	164
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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days:	53,227
Total Admissions:	312
% Bed Occupancy:	88.68%
<u>Physiotherapy Services:</u>	
Number of patients treated:	936
<u>Occupational Therapy Services</u>	
No. of patients treated:	459

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E. *

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)	
Mgt/Admin	8.00
Nursing	55.04
Paramedical	6.00
Non-Nursing	78.4
Maintenance/other	2.00

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	2.769
Non-pay	0.633
Total (Gross)	3.402
Income	0.573
Total (nett)	2.829

*The above W.T.E. values do not include medical services which are provided by General Practitioners on a contract basis.

**CARE CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY
SUMMARY PROFILE 1996**

LOUGHLOE HOUSE, ATHLONE

ADMINISTRATOR: Mr. P. O'Rourke
MATRON: Ms. M. McAndrew

NO. OF BEDS 40

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days: 13,365
Total Admissions: 12
% Bed Occupancy 91.54%

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Mgt./Admin. 0.57
Nursing 4.42
Paramedical 0.83
Non-Nursing 12.12
Maintenance/Other -

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	0.285
Non-pay	0.093
Total (Gross)	0.378
Income	0.121
Total (nett)	0.257

DISTRICT HOSPITAL, ATHLONE

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR: Mr. T. O'Hara
MATRON: Mr. J. Dwyer, Acting

NUMBER OF BEDS: 81

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days: 28,835
Total Admissions: 163
% Bed Occupancy: 97.26%

Physiotherapy Services:

Number of patients treated: 865

Occupational Therapy Services

Number of patients treated: 217

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Mgt/Admin 5.66
Nursing 24.89
Paramedical 4.21
Non-Nursing 42.50
Maintenance/other 0.65

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	1.444
Non-pay	0.413
Total (Gross)	1.856
Income	0.262
Total (nett)	1.594

MT. CARMEL HOSPITAL, LONGFORD.

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR Mr. T. O'Hara
MATRON:

NUMBER OF BEDS: 22

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY

Total Patient Days: 7,150
Total Admissions: 418
% Bed Occupancy: 88.80%

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.*

(included with staffing for St. Joseph's Hospital.)

EXPENDITURE 1996

(included with Expenditure for St. Joseph's Hospital.)

*The above W.T.E. values do not include medical services which are provided by General Practitioners on a contract basis.

GERIATRIC HOSPITAL STATISTICS 1996

	ST JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL LONGFORD	ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MULLINGAR	LONG STAY UNIT GEN. HOSPITAL TULLAMORE	ST. BRIGID'S HOSPITAL SHAEN	ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL MOUNTMELICK
In Hospital on 1/1/96	142	130	44	58	156
Admissions	312	161	823	8	222
Discharges:-					228
-Boarded Out	27		0	-	-
-Home/Community	171	81	648	-	161
-Other Institutions/Hospitals	55	19	20	2	14
-Deaths	56	73	79	7	53
In Hospital on 31/12/96	145	118	46	57	150
Total Patient Days 1996	53,227	46,721	14,718	21,077	56,989
Bed Complement	164	151	47	58	164
% Bed Occupancy	88.68%	84.54%	85.56%	99.30%	95.20%

DISTRICT HOSPITAL STATISTICS 1996

	ATHLONE	ABBEYLEIX	LONGFORD
Total Patient Days	28,835	17,734	7,150
No. of Admissions	163	200	418
Discharges			
-Home/Community	54	163	263
-Other Institutions	55	3	129
-Deaths	47	32	29
Bed Complement	81	50	22
Average Duration of Stay - Days	176.90	89.56	17.11
% Bed Occupancy	97.26%	97.00%	88.80%

PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICES - 1996
District and Geriatric Hospitals

LOCATION	In - Patients		Out - Patients		Hospital Service to Community Care	
	Numbers Treated	Treatments Given	Numbers Treated	Treatments Given	Numbers Treated	Treatments Given
District Hospital Athlone	106	3,005	749	4,525	10	117
District Hospital Abbeyleix	115	1,255	98	534	12	60
St. Joseph's Hospital Longford	288	2,897	635	3,939	13	77
St. Vincent's Hospital Mountmellick	119	2,583	40	445	21	100
St. Mary's Hospital Mullingar	132	3,087	-	-	-	-

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES - 1996
DISTRICT AND GERIATRIC HOSPITALS

	ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL LONGFORD		DISTRICT HOSPITAL ATHLONE		ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MULLINGAR	
	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996
IN-PATIENTS						
No. In-Patients Treated	241	231	78	62	104	112
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	1,599	2,470	998	612	1,521	2,244
Units of Treatment - Group Therapy	-	28	100	125	1379	651
OUT-PATIENTS						
No. Out-Patients Treated	240	205	93	145	-	-
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	1,649	1,188	422	586	-	-
Units of Treatment - Group Therapy	-	-	-	-	-	-
HOSPITAL SERVICES TO COMMUNITY CARE						
No. of Patients Treated	11	23	-	10	-	31
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	184	31	-	57	-	118

DAY CARE FACILITIES - ATTENDANCE 1996

CENTRE	TOTAL ATTENDANCE	AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE
Athlone	7,200	32
Longford	5,300	22
Mullingar	8,100	37
Tullamore	6,900	29
Birr	4,900	24
Clara	5,850	26
Portlaoise	7,300	33
Mountmellick	3,350	15
Abbeyleix	4,000	32
Edenderry	8,000	32

HEALTH NURSING HOMES ACT 1990:

ANALYSIS OF NURSING HOMES:

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	Total
No. applications received	150	115	265
No. subventions approved	55	72	127
No. applications refused	30	23	53
Average subvention paid.	£74.97	£82.00	£78.49
Number of beds in registered nursing homes on 31/12/96	169	328	497

BOARDING OUT OF THE ELDERLY 1996:

	Number Boarding Out at 31/12/96	Cost
Laois/Offaly:	19	£0.046m.
Longford/Westmeath:	23	£0.034m.
TOTAL:	42	£0.080m.

HOUSING AID SCHEME 1996:

Work was carried out and completed under the Scheme on a total of 170 houses and the type of work carried out can be summarised as follows:

Type	Laois	Offaly	Longford	Westmeath	Total
Necessary Repairs	36	33	21	42	132
Provision of Water	3	3	4	-	11
Provision of Toilet	13	14	4	5	36
Provision of Bath/Shower:	15	14	15	5	49
E.S.B. Connection/Re-wiring	-	5	2	3	10
Others	1	1	4	4	10
TOTAL	68	70	50	60	248

Number of applications in which work was completed:	170
Number of applications in which work commenced but was not completed:	64
Number of outstanding applications (at 31/12/96) i.e. (where work has not commenced) requiring priority treatment:	208
Total number of outstanding applications at 31/12/96 (where work has not commenced):	633
Average Cost per house completed:	£2,500.

	Laois/Offaly	Longford/Westmeath	Total
No. of elderly alone being visited by PHN's	1,802	1,623	3,425
No. of Elderly with family	856	878	1,734

STATISTICS OF COMMUNITY NURSING & HOME HELP SUPPORT SERVICES:

Twilight Nursing Service:-

AREA	NO OF RECIPIENTS 1996
Laois/Offaly	111
Longford/Westmeath	89
TOTAL	200

HOME SUPPORT SERVICE RECIPIENTS 1996

SCHEME	LAOIS/ OFFALY	LONGFORD/ WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Home Help Service	607	722	1,329
Carer Relief Scheme	105	82	187
TOTAL	712	804	1,516

AREA	NO. OF HELPERS	PART-TIME	FULL-TIME
Longford/Westmeath	433	425	8
Laois/Offaly	407	402	5
TOTAL	840	827	13



**SERVICES FOR PERSONS
WITH A DISABILITY**

SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY

SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL & SENSORY DISABILITIES:-

RESPIRE DAY & DAY ACTIVATION SERVICES:-

CLOCHAN HOUSE:

	1996
Number of Clients on Register:	82
Number of Clients using Respite during six month period:	71
New Referrals:	18
Number on Waiting List:	3

ARUS EOGHAIN:

	1996
Number of Referrals:	162
Number of Attendances:	1,414
Number of Days Open:	202

PHOENIX RESOURCE CENTRE, LONGFORD:

	1995	1996
Number of Referrals:	24	23
Number of Attendances:	1,028	1,169
Total of days open:	217	225

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES:

STATISTICS 1996:

	LAGIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH
Number under active assessment/therapy 1/1/96	154	335
Number of referrals awaiting assessment/therapy at 1/1/96	85	41
Number of referrals received during 1996	931	495
Number of discharges during 1996	772	277
Number under active assessment/treatment at 31/12/96	292	594
Number of referrals awaiting assessment at 31/12/96	106	42

ANALYSIS OF NEW REFERRALS:

SOURCE	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH
Public Health Nurse	440	138
Para-medical	244	148
General Practitioner	64	13
Director of Community Care/M.O.H.	89	127
Other	94	69
TOTAL	931	495

REASON	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH
Housing Grants/Alterations	94	194
Technical Aids/Applicances/Equipment	217	175
Activities of daily living	251	44
Wheelchair Assessment/Specialist Seating	131	68
Other	238	14
TOTAL	931	495

COMMUNITY PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICES:

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH

REFERRALS:

	Laois/OFFALY P.H.C.	Longford Community	Athlone	Mullingar	TOTAL
Referrals carried forward from 1996	8	21	15	12	56
New Referrals 1996	1	19	26	23	69
Total Number of Patients Treated	9	40	41	35	125

SOURCES OF REFERRALS FOR DOMICILIARY CARE:

Source	Longford	Mullingar	Athlone	Total
G.P.	1	5	1	7
P.H.N.	3	4	13	20
O.T.	4	3	0	7
Physio	30	23	23	76
Self/Family	0	0	3	3
Other	2	0	1	3

AGE GROUP OF INDIVIDUAL REFERRALS

	Longford Community	Laois Resource Centre	Mullingar	Athlone	TOTAL
0 - 10					
11 - 18	15	0	8	19	42
19 - 25					
26 - 40					
41 - 65	15	9	14	7	45
>65	10	0	13	15	38

LAOIS/OFFALY:**BIRR:**

	1995	1996
Number of new patients:	456	491
Total number of treatments:	3,341	3,584
Number seen in groups (Neurological, Hand)	202	99
Domiciliary Visits:	118	118
Waiting List:	8	4

EDENDERRY:

	1995	1996
Number of Patients Seen:	1,039	3,225
Number new patients:	128	271
Home Visits:	57	43
Day Care Centre:	N/A	246

TULLAMORE OUTREACH PHYSIOTHERAPY:

	1995	1996
Number of Patients:	22	29
Number of Patient Contacts:	36	45

SPECIAL NEEDS CLINIC - LONGFORD/WESTMEATH:**ACTIVITY 1996:**

	Chairs Held	Appointments	Attendances	Non-Attendances
LONGFORD:	3	22	18	4
ATHLONE:	3	18	12	6
MULLINGAR:	4	27	18	9
TOTAL:	10	67	48	19

LANGUAGE CLASSES:**ACTIVITY 1996:**

Class	Number of School Days	Number of Children
St. Joseph's Primary School, Longford:	1,239	7
Presentation Junior School, Mullingar:	592	8
Scoil Mhuire, Athlone:	1,472	8
Fatima Language Class, Sacred Heart, Portlaoise:	1,440	8
TOTAL:	4,743	31

DISABLED PERSONS HOUSING GRANT:

	LAOIS/OFFALY	LONGFORD/WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Applications on hand at 1/1/96	14	45	59
Number of new applications received in 1996:	125	196	321
Number Granted:	95	184	279
Number Refused/Withdrawn:	36	9	45
Number on hand at 31/12/96	8	48	56

DISABLED PERSONS MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE :

NUMBER	LAOIS	OFFALY	LONGFORD	WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Applicants	66	70	38	90	264
Number Granted	38	49	30	68	185
Number Refused	21	21	8	9	59
Number in progress at date of transfer:	7	-	-	13	20
Number of Recipients at 2/10/96:	548	673	292	473	1,986

*(Pre transfer of Scheme to Dept. of Social Welfare).

DOMICILIARY CARE ALLOWANCE:

NUMBER	LAOIS	OFFALY	LONGFORD	WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Applicants	18	23	7	17	65
Number Granted	15	17	5	16	53
Number Refused	1	3	1	-	5
Number in progress at date of transfer:	2	3	1	1	7
Number of Recipients at 31/12/96:	116	160	63	133	472
Expenditure 1996:	£0.137m	£0.201m	£0.082m	£0.170m	£0.590m

MOBILITY ALLOWANCE:

NUMBER	LAOIS	OFFALY	LONGFORD	WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number. of Applicants	12	10	3	1	26
Number Granted	10	5	1	1	17
Number Refused	1	5	1	-	7
Number in Progress at date of transfer:	1	-	1	-	2
Number of Recipients at 31/12/96:	38	40	26	40	144
Expenditure 1996:	£0.017m	£0.018m	£0.013m	£0.019m	£0.067m

MOTORISED TRANSPORT GRANT:

	LAOIS	OFFALY	LONGFORD	WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Applicants:	3	10	6	1	20
Number Approved	1	5	5	1	12
Number Refused	-	1	-	-	1
Number in Progress	2	4	1	-	7
Expenditure 1996:	£0.003m	£0.011m	£0.013m	£0.003m	£0.030m

BLIND WELFARE ALLOWANCE:

	LAOIS	OFFALY	LONGFORD	WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Applicants	2	11	2	4	19
Number Approved	2	10	1	4	17
Number Refused	-	1	-	-	1
Number in Progress	-	-	1	-	1
Number of Recipients at 31/12/96:	18	26	13	28	85
Expenditure 1996:	£0.015m	£0.015m	£0.010m	£0.021m	£0.061m

**DISABLED PERSONS REHABILITATION ALLOWANCE
(D.P.R.A.)**

	LAOIS	OFFALY	LONGFORD	WESTMEATH	TOTAL
Number of Applicants	28*	5*	6*	14*	53*
Number Approved	24*	5*	-	14*	43*
Number Refused:	-	-	-	-	-
Number in Progress	4*	-	6*	-	10*
Number of Recipients at 31/12/96:	50*	29*	38*	35*	152*
Expenditure 1996:	£0.029m	£0.071m	£0.045m	£0.098m	£0.243m

*Period from 1/10.96 - 31/12/96.

SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY:-**Data Base:-**

Handicap	Longford	Westmeath	Offaly	Laois	Total
Profound	3	26	5	17	51
Severe	13	125	38	33	209
Moderate	79	228	137	160	604
Mild	98	160	157	235	650
Borderline	10	2	40	55	107
To be determined	17	31	11	20	79
TOTAL	220	572	388	520	1,700

Total persons from outside the Board's region -84

COMMUNITY RESIDENCES:-

Community Residential facilities are now provided in:-

LOCATION	MANAGED BY	NO. IN EACH UNIT
Mullingar	Midland Health Board - Tower View 7 Hillview, Ballinderry - 5 Millmount Ave. - 6	18 (Total for 3 units)
Longford	Midland Health Board	6
Athlone	St. Hilda's Services for the Mentally Handicapped	5
Longford	Co. Longford Association for the Mentally Handicapped. Morlea House 7 Lanagh Hse 8	15 (Total for 2 units)
Stradbally	Srs. of Charity of Jesus & Mary.	6
Portarlinton	Srs. of Charity of Jesus & Mary	5 + 1 respite
Tullamore	Srs. of Charity of Jesus & Mary.	5
Tullamore	Srs. of Charity of Jesus & Mary.	5
Birr	Srs. of Sacred Heart of Jesus & Mary.	5
Portlaoise:	Srs. of Charity of Jesus & Mary	5

PROFILE OF RESIDENTS IN MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD RESIDENTIAL CENTRES AT 31.12.96.

	ALVERNA	ST. PETERS	LOUGH SHEEVER	TOTAL
GENDER:				
Male	32	37	49	118
Female	23	56	28	107
TOTAL	55	93	77	225
DEGREE OF DISABILITY:				
Mild	7	1	6	14
Moderate	23	48	37	108
Severe	16	39	34	89
Profound	9	5	14	14
TOTAL	55	93	77	225
AGE PROFILE:				
15 - 19			2	2
20 - 34	10	30	8	48
35 - 54	32	57	41	130
55 - 64	8	3	14	25
65+	5	3	12	20
TOTAL	55	93	77	225
AREA OF ORIGIN:-				
Midland Health Board.	53	73	57	183
Eastern Health Board.	-	9		9
North-Eastern Health Board.	-	10	20	30
Others.	2	1		3
TOTAL	55	93	77	225

PROFILE OF RESIDENTIAL CENTRES:

	Accommodation Capacity	Number of Patients Day 1996
St. Peters:	95	32,522
Lough Sheever:	87	29,748
Alvernia:	57	20,805

CAPITATION PAYMENTS:

	Physical & Sensory Disability	Intellectual Disability	Other	Total
Number in respect of whom capitation payments were being paid at 31/12/96	48	223	13	284
Cost 1996:	£0.045m	£0.322m	£0.055m	£0.422m

VOLUNTARY SECTOR - FUNDING 1996:

Voluntary Agency	Section 65 £	National Lottery £	Total £
Intellectual Disability	2.020m	0.026m	2.046m
Physical & Sensory Disability:	0.211m	0.08m	0.291m
TOTAL:	2.231m	0.106m	2.337m

**MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICES**

**MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
SUMMARY PROFILE 1996**

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH

ADMINISTRATOR: Mr. D. Murtagh (Acting)
CLINICAL DIRECTOR: Dr. T.O.J. Leavy (Acting)
CHIEF NURSING OFFICER: Mr. L. Ward.

NUMBER OF BEDS:	
Longstay	186
Acute	50
Total	236

SUMMARY OF IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

No. of In-Patients admitted	
Acute	652
Longstay	39

SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

SECTORS:	Mullingar	Athlone	Longford
COMMUNITY RESIDENCE Type	Number		Res. Places
-High	3		38
-Medium	3		27
-Low	7		33

DAY HOSPITALS

Number	3
Average Attendance	13

DAY CENTRES

Number	5
Average Attendance	120

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.

Mgt./admin.	13.50
Medical	9.00
Nursing	201.88
Paramedical	8.08
Non-Nursing	98.45
Maintenance/other	29.00

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	6.851
Non-Pay	1.657
Total(Gross)	8.508
Income	0.975
Total (nett)	7.533

LAOIS/OFFALY

ADMINISTRATOR: Mr. F. Kelly
CLINICAL DIRECTOR: Dr. R. Augustine(Acting)
CHIEF NURSING OFFICER: Mr. P. Smith

NUMBER OF BEDS:	
Longstay	84
Acute	50
Total	134

SUMMARY OF IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

No. of In-patients admitted	
Acute	602
Longstay	21

SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

SECTORS:	Tullamore	Birr	Portlaoise
COMMUNITY RESIDENCES Type	Number		Res. Places
-High	2		33
-Medium	2		14
-Low	12		63

DAY HOSPITALS

Number	3
Average Attendance	21

DAY CENTRES

Number	3
Average Attendance	45

NUMBER OF STAFF - W.T.E.

Mgt/Admin	11.50
Medical	8.00
Nursing	126.63
Paramedical	6.50
Non-Nursing	68.13
Maintenance/other	15.00

EXPENDITURE 1996

	£m
Pay	4.461
Non-pay	1.252
Total (Gross)	5.713
Income	0.526
Total (nett)	5.187

**MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
IN-PATIENT STATISTICS 1996**

No. of Patients (Acute & Longstay) in Hospital on 31/12/96

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
St. Loman's Hospital Mullingar	130	106	236
St. Fintan's Hospital Portlaoise	78	53	131

AGE AND LENGTH OF STAY OF ALL PATIENTS

ST. LOMAN'S HOSPITAL MULLINGAR								
	UNDER 15 YRS	15-19	20-44	45-64	65-74	75 AND OVER	ALL AGES	% OF HOSP POPULATION
UNDER 3 MTHS	0	3	23	12	7	7	52	22.03
3 MTHS > 1 YEAR	0	1	4	5	6	4	20	8.47
1 YR > 5 YRS	0	0	5	10	7	9	31	13.14
5 YRS AND OVER	0	0	17	38	32	46	133	56.36
ALL LENGTHS OF STAY	0	4	49	65	52	66	236	100.00
% OF HOSP. POPULATION	0.00	1.69	20.76	27.55	22.03	27.97	100.00	N/A

ST. FINTAN'S HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE								
	UNDER 15 YRS	15-19	20-44	45-64	65-74	75 AND OVER	ALL AGES	% OF HOSP POPULATION
UNDER 3 MTHS	0	2	10	11	7	4	34	25.95
3 MTHS > 1 YEAR	0	0	5	9	2	2	18	13.74
1 YR > 5 YRS	0	0	4	2	7	9	22	16.79
5 YRS AND OVER	0	0	7	17	15	18	57	43.51
ALL LENGTHS OF STAY	0	2	26	39	31	33	131	100.00
% OF HOSP. POPULATION	0.00%	1.53	19.85	29.77	23.66	25.19	100.00	N/A

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

LONG-STAY HOSPITAL STATISTICS 1996

	ST. LOMAN'S HOSPITAL	ST. FINTAN'S HOSPITAL
LONG STAY UNITS		
No. in Residence on 1/1/96	193	85
No. Admitted during 1996	39	21
No. Discharged during 1996	58	29
No. in Residence on 31/12/96	174	77
DESTINATION OF DISCHARGES		
Home	20	5
Community Residences	1	10
Other Institutions	2	7
Deaths	30	7
Acute Units	5	-

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN-PATIENT STATISTICS 1996

ACUTE UNITS

	ST. FINTAN'S HOSPITAL			ST. LOMAN'S HOSPITAL		
	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	19,366	18,194	-6.05	19,200	16,065	-16.33
No. of Admissions	575	602	4.48	712	652	-8.43
No. of Discharges	567	611	7.78	710	649	-8.60
Average Length of Stay (days)	34.15	29.77	-12.82	27.04	20.34	-24.78
Bed Complement	50	50	-	50	50	
% Bed Occupancy	106.12%	99.69%	-6.43%	105.19%	88.03%	16.31

	<i>ST. FINTAN'S HOSPITAL</i>	<i>ST. LOMAN'S HOSPITAL</i>
ADMISSIONS - SOURCE OF REFERRAL		
Out-Patient Clinics/ Day Hospitals/Community	572	600
Acute Hospitals	23	28
Other Institutions	1	6
Other		
Hostels	4	5
Long Stay	0	5
Garda Escort	2	0
Lodger	0	8
TOTALS	602	652
Lodger (overnight stays)	95	87
First Admissions	160	145
Re - Admissions	442	507
DISCHARGES - DESTINATION		
Home	573	615
Community Residences	28	6
Other Institutions	4	5
Deaths	2	1
Rehabilitation Ward	-	3
Long-Stay Units	4	19
Mental Handicap Unit	-	0
TOTALS	611	649

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS/DISCHARGES BY SECTOR

SECTOR	TOTAL ADMISSIONS		FIRST ADMISSIONS		ADMISSION RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION		DISCHARGES	
	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996
MULLINGAR (Population 37,250)	219	228	46	47	5.88	6.12	226	231
ATHLONE (Population 28,000)	211	189	50	38	7.54	6.75	217	193
LONGFORD (Population 30,300)	230	212	51	53	7.59	7.00	231	214
OTHER	55	35	32	13	0.59	0.37	65	42
Longford/Westmeath (Population 95,550)	715	664	179	151	7.48	6.95	739	680
PORTLAOISE (Population 38,334)	250	224	62	52	6.83	5.84	251	225
TULLAMORE (Population 39,789)	209	215	77	65	5.63	5.40	205	222
BIRR/RATHDOWNEY (Population 33,755)	103	165	33	41	2.83	4.88	101	175
OTHER	13	19	6	6	-	-	12	18
LAOIS /OFFALY (Population 111,878)	575	623	178	164	5.13	5.56	569	640
OVERALL TOTAL (Population 207,428)	1,290	1,910	357	479	6.22	9.20	1,308	1,960

* Admissions figure does not include transfers between Acute & Longstay Units.

OUT PATIENT STATISTICS 1996
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH

ADULT CLINICS

LOCATION OF CLINICS	CLINIC SESSIONS		PATIENTS		ATTENDANCES		
	Number Held During Year	Average Duration (Hours)	Number Patients	No. referred for In-Patient Admission	New	Return	Total
Mullingar	103	4.50	424	16	120	1,416	1,536
Athlone	96	5.00	452	29	118	1,693	1,811
Longford	51	5.00	264	8	70	1,085	1,155
Granard	39	3.00	61	4	13	208	221
Ballymahon	25	3.00	58	3	12	264	276
Total	314	-	1,259	60	333	4,666	4,999

LAOIS/OFFALY

ADULT CLINICS

LOCATION OF CLINICS	CLINIC SESSIONS	PATIENT NUMBERS		ATTENDANCES		
	No. Held During Year	Number	No. referred for In-Patient Admission	New	Return	Total
Tullamore	46	211	60	67	596	663
Portarlinton	12	40	8	32	147	179
Birr	52	188	50	56	1011	1067
Edenderry	24	46	8	30	169	199
Ferbane	12	31	8	6	95	101
Rathdowney	25	57	22	72	193	265
Graigucullen	23	58	2	8	278	286
Portlaoise	50	278	10	148	1,591	1,739
Clara	12	19	5	4	64	68
Abbeyleix	26	60	13	45	189	234
Mountmellick	25	68	12	29	246	275
Daingean	12	10	2	8	84	92
Total	319	1,066	200	505	4,663	5,168

COMMUNITY SERVICES BY SECTOR - 1996

LAOIS/OFFALY CATCHMENT AREA

SECTOR	PORTLAOISE	TULLAMORE	BIRR	TOTALS
No. Low Support Community Residences	8	2	2	12
No. Residential Places	46	9	8	63
No. Medium Support Community Residences	1	1	-	2
No. Residential Places	8	6	-	14
No. High Support Community Residences	-	1	1	2
No. Residential Places	-	16	17	33
No. Day Hospitals	1	1	1	3
Average Daily Attendance	8	4	9	21
No. Day Centres	1	1	1	3
Average Daily Attendance	13	25	7	45
No. Community/Sheltered Workshops	-	-	-	-
Average Daily Attendance	-	-	-	-
No. Training Centres	1	-	-	1
Average Daily Attendance	37	-	-	37
No. Substance Abuse Centres	2	3	1	6

COMMUNITY SERVICES BY SECTOR - 1996

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH CATCHMENT AREA

SECTOR	MULLINGAR	ATHLONE	LONGFORD	TOTALS
No. Low Support Community Residences	3	1	3	7
No. Residential Places	15	5	13	33
No. Medium Support Community Residences	1	1	1	3
No. Residential Places	8	9	10	27
No. High Support Community Residences	1	1	1	3
No. Residential Places	13	10	15	38
No. Day Hospitals	1	1	1	3
Average Daily Attendance	-	9	4	13
No. Day Centres	2	1	2	5
Average Daily Attendance	33	52	35	120
No. Community/Sheltered Workshops	-	-	-	-
Average Daily Attendance	-	-	-	-
No. Training Centres	-	-	-	-
Average Daily Attendance	-	-	-	-
No. Substance Abuse Centres	2	2	3	7

ACUTE HOSPITALS.

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BED NUMBERS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1996

ACUTE HOSPITALS	SURGERY	MEDICINE	CHILDREN	OBSTETRICS	GYNÆ/ COLOGY	SECURE UNIT	PAEDIATRICS	INTENSIVE/ CORONARY CARE	DAY BEDS	ORTHO- PAEDICS	E.N.T.	TOTAL
Mullingar	52	57	-	30	12	-	25	6	6	-	-	188
Tullamore	27	44*	16	-	-	-	0	8	14**	47***	18	174
Portlaoise	31	39	-	28	4	1	20	8	9	-	-	140
Totals	110	140	16	58	16	1	45	22	29	47	18	502

*Reflects changes in private accommodation, improvements as agreed with V.H.I.

**Includes 5 day beds opened in March, 1996 in Orthopaedic Department.

***Includes 12(5 day) beds opened in May, 1996 in Orthopaedic Department.

District Hospitals	
	Longstay/ Acute
<i>Abbeyleix</i>	50
<i>Athlone</i>	81
<i>Longford</i>	22
Totals	153

Geriatric Hospitals	
<i>Mountmellick</i>	164
<i>Mullingar</i>	151
<i>Longford Hospitals</i>	164
<i>Tullamore</i> (+ hospice bed)	48
<i>St. Brigid's Shaen</i>	58
Totals	585

Psychiatric Hospitals	
<i>St. Loman's Hospital, Mullingar</i>	236
<i>St. Fintan's Hospital; Portlaoise</i>	134
Totals	370

GENERAL HOSPITALS.

GENERAL HOSPITAL, PORTLAOISE

Hospital Administrator:	Mr. F. Kelly
Matron:	Ms. M. Hogan

NUMBER OF BEDS BY SPECIALTY

General Surgery	31
Intensive Care Unit	4
General Medicine	39
Coronary Care Unit	4
Obstetrics	28
Gynaecology	4
Paediatrics	20
Secure Unit	1
Total	131

Day beds	9
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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY 1996

No. of In-patients treated	7,290
Number of Day Patients treated	1,824
Number of Out-Patient Clinics held	1,037

No. of Out-patients treated - New	4,100
- Return	14,583

No. of Patients treated at A & E	12,117
Number of X-ray Examinations	36,962
No. of Laboratory Tests carried out	559,579
No. of Anaesthetics administered	3,577
Physiotherapy - no. of patients treated	2,060

NUMBER OF STAFF - WTE

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Number of staff by category

Mgt/Admin	29
Medical	40
Nursing	116
Paramedical	23
Non-Nursing	66
Maintenance/other	5

EXPENDITURE 1996 (INTERIM FIGURES)

	£m
Pay	6.504
Non-pay	2.431
Total (Gross)	8.935
Income	0.958
Total (nett)	7.977

GENERAL HOSPITAL, TULLAMORE

Hospital Administrator:	Mr. L. Connolly
Matron:	Mr. R. H. Lane

NUMBER OF BEDS BY SPECIALTY

General Surgery	27
Intensive Care Unit	4
Orthopaedic	47
General Medicine	44
Coronary Care Unit	4
ENT	18
Children	16

Total	160
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Day beds	14
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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY 1996

No. of In-patients treated	8,748
Number of Day Patients treated	2,946
Number of Out-Patient Clinics held	1,266

No. of Out-patients treated - New	8,981
- Return	19,944

No. of Patients treated at A & E	19,401
Number of X-ray Examinations	48,239
No. of Laboratory Tests carried out	833,248
No. of Anaesthetics administered	4,748
Physiotherapy - no. of patients treated	2,928
Occupational Therapy - no. of patients treated	658

NUMBER OF STAFF - WTE

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Number of staff by category

Mgt/Admin	52
Medical	52
Nursing	201
Paramedical	42
Non-Nursing	106
Maintenance/other	13

EXPENDITURE 1996 (INTERIM FIGURES)

	£m
Pay	10.089
Non-pay	4.401
Total (Gross)	14.490
Income	1.594
Total (nett)	12.896

LONG/WEST. GEN. HOSP., MULLINGAR.

Hospital Administrator:	Mr. T. O'Hara
Matron:	Sr. A. Sloan

NUMBER OF BEDS BY SPECIALTY

General Surgery	52
Intensive Care Unit	3
General Medicine	57
Coronary Care Unit	3
Obstetrics	30
Gynaecology	12
Paediatrics	25

Total	182
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Day beds	6
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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY 1996

No. of In-patients treated	10,859
Number of Day Patients treated	1,941
Number of Out-Patient Clinics held	748

Number of Out-patients treated - New	5,062
- Return	12,453

No. of Patients treated at A & E	20,434
Number of X-ray Examinations*	70,831
No. of Laboratory Tests carried out	1,015,879
No. of Anaesthetics administered	4,671
Physiotherapy - no. of patients treated	3,705
Occupational Therapy - no. of patients treated	666

NUMBER OF STAFF - WTE

(Source: 1996 Staff Census)

Number of staff by category

Mgt/Admin	38
Medical	51
Nursing	168
Paramedical	38
Non-Nursing	117
Maintenance/other	16

EXPENDITURE 1996 (INTERIM FIGURES)

	£m
Pay	8.649
Non-pay	3.447
Total (Gross)	12.096
Income	1.515
Total (nett)	10.581

* Includes activity for Athlone & Longford.

IN-PATIENT STATISTICS BY SPECIALTY - 1996

GENERAL HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE

	<i>SURGERY</i>	<i>MEDICINE</i>	<i>OBSTETRICS</i>	<i>GYNAECOLOGY</i>	<i>PAEDIATRICS</i>	<i>TOTALS</i>
No. In-Patient Days	10,389	11,915	5,461	1,169	4,267	33,201
No. In-Patients Discharged	1,997	2,033	1,565	424	1,271	7,290
Average Length of Stay (Days)	5.20	5.86	3.49	2.76	3.36	4.55
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	1,678	35	4	100	7	1,824
Available Bed Days	16,206	15,801	10,255	1,645	7,333	51,240
Total Bed Days Used	12,067	11,950	5,465	1,269	4,274	35,025
% Bed Occupancy	74.46	75.63	53.29	77.14	58.28	68.35

GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE

	<i>DENTISTRY</i>	<i>RADIOLOGY</i>	<i>SURGERY</i>	<i>MEDICINE</i>	<i>E.N.T.</i>	<i>ORTHOPAEDICS</i>	<i>TOTALS</i>
No. In-Patient Days	41		10,314	29,429	4,980	12,068	56,832
No. In-Patients Discharged	40		2,229	3,010	1,772	1,697	8,748
Average Length of Stay (Days)	1.02		4.25	8.98	4.30	7.72	6.50
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	383	7	918	1,114	290	234	2,946
Available Bed Days	-		13,267	22,507	7,378	14,564	57,716
Total Bed Days Used	424	7	11,232	30,543	5,270	12,302	59,778
% Bed Occupancy	-		84.66	135.70	71.43	84.47	103.57

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL MULLINGAR

	<i>SURGERY</i>	<i>MEDICINE</i>	<i>OBSTETRICS</i>	<i>GYNAECOLOGY</i>	<i>PAEDIATRICS</i>	<i>TOTALS</i>
No. In-Patient Days	14,098	26,923	7,180	3,807	4,347	56,355
No. In-Patients Discharged	3,064	3,619	1,694	942	1,540	10,859
Average Length of Stay (Days)	4.55	7.40	4.28	4.04	2.82	5.19
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	1,147	731	15	8	40	1,941
Available Bed Days	22,207	23,212	10,980	4,392	7,381	68,172
Total Bed Days Used	15,222	27,654	7,198	3,812	4,366	58,252
% Bed Occupancy	68.55	119.14	65.56	86.79	59.15	85.45

Note: When the demand for Medical Beds exceeds available beds, available surgical beds may be used for medical patients.

% Bed Occupancy in respect of Medicine includes all beds used for Medical patients irrespective of their designation

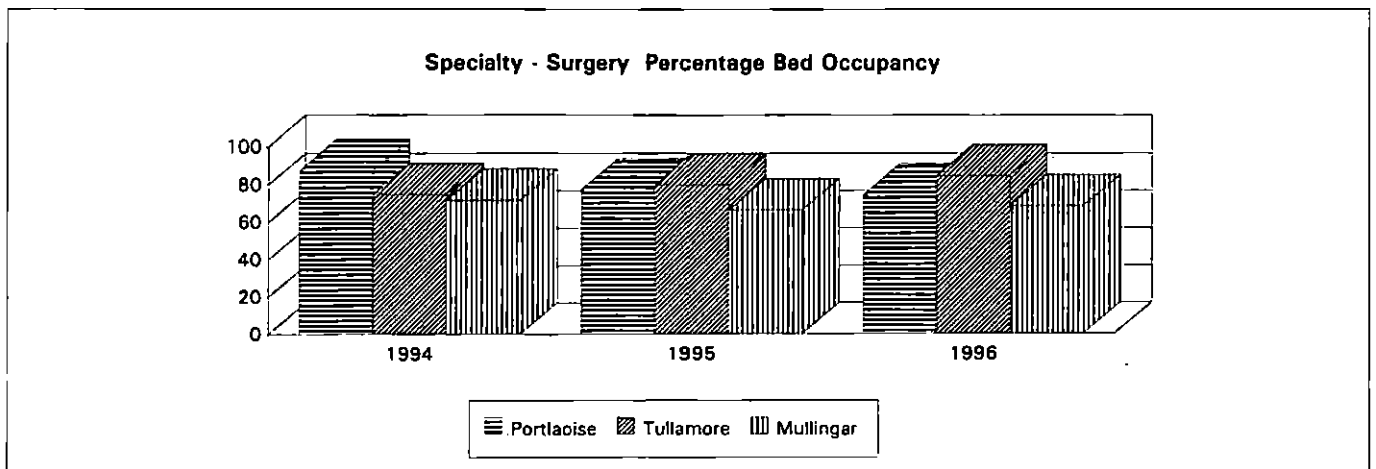
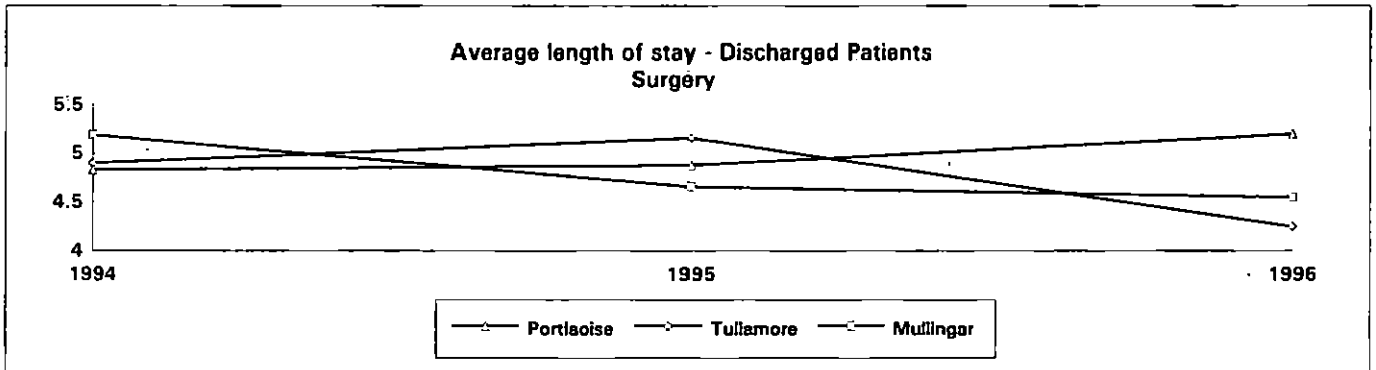
Bed Days also brought forward from one speciality to another.

IN - PATIENT STATISTICS 1996

SPECIALTY - SURGERY

	PORTLAOISE			TULLAMORE			MULLINGAR		
	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	10,785	10,389	-3.67	10,277	10,314	0.36	13,694	14,098	2.95
No. In - Patients Discharged	2,212	1,997	-9.72	1,992	2,229	11.90	2,941	3,064	4.18
Average Length of Stay (days)	4.88	5.20	6.56	5.16	4.25	-17.64	4.66	4.55	-2.36
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	1,642	1,678	2.19	819	918	12.09	973	1,147	17.88
Available Bed Days	16,079	16,206	0.79	13,878	13,267	-4.40	22,069	22,207	0.63
Total Bed Days Used	12,427	12,067	-2.90	11,096	11,232	1.23	14,667	15,222	3.78
% Bed Occupancy	77.29	74.46	-3.67	79.95	84.66	5.89	66.46	68.55	3.14

Note: When the demand for medical beds exceeds available beds, available surgical beds may be used for medical patients.

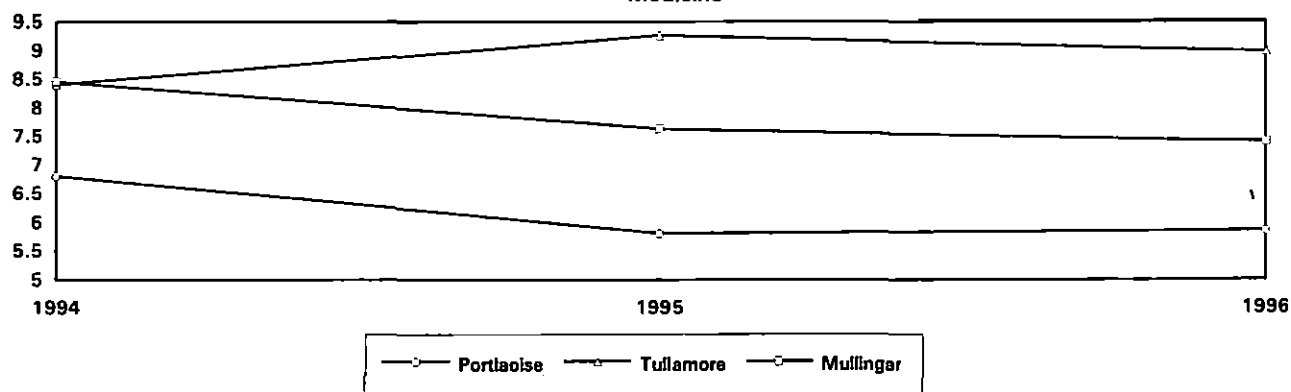


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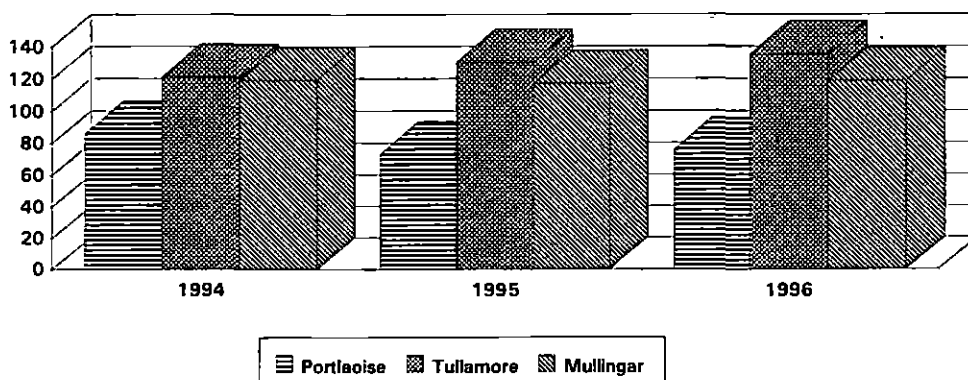
SPECIALTY - MEDICINE

	PORTLAOISE			TULLAMORE			MULLINGAR		
	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	11,530	11,915	3.34	27,838	29,429	5.72	26,550	26,923	1.40
No. In - Patients Discharged	1,983	2,033	2.52	3,003	3,010	0.23	3,478	3,619	4.05
Average Length of Stay (days)	5.81	5.86	0.86	9.27	8.98	-3.13	7.63	7.40	-3.01
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	55	35	-36.36	1,117	1,114	-0.27	679	731	7.66
Available Bed Days	15,793	15,801	0.05	22,174	22,507	1.50	23,150	23,212	0.27
Total Bed Days Used	11,585	11,950	3.15	28,955	30,543	5.48	27,229	27,654	1.56
% Bed Occupancy	73.36	75.63	3.09	130.58	135.70	3.92	117.62	119.14	1.29

**Average length of stay - Discharged Patients
Medicine**



Specialty - Medicine Percentage Bed Occupancy



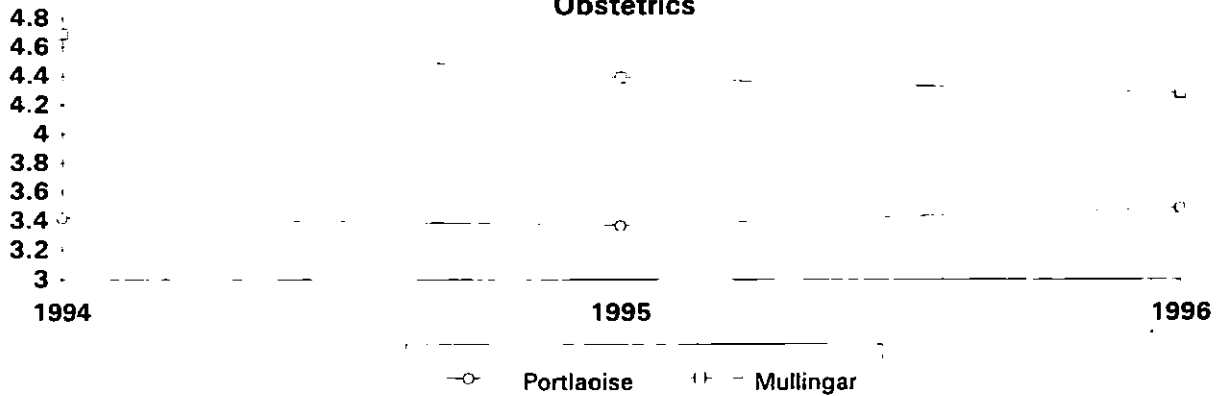
IN - PATIENT STATISTICS 1996

SPECIALTY - OBSTETRICS

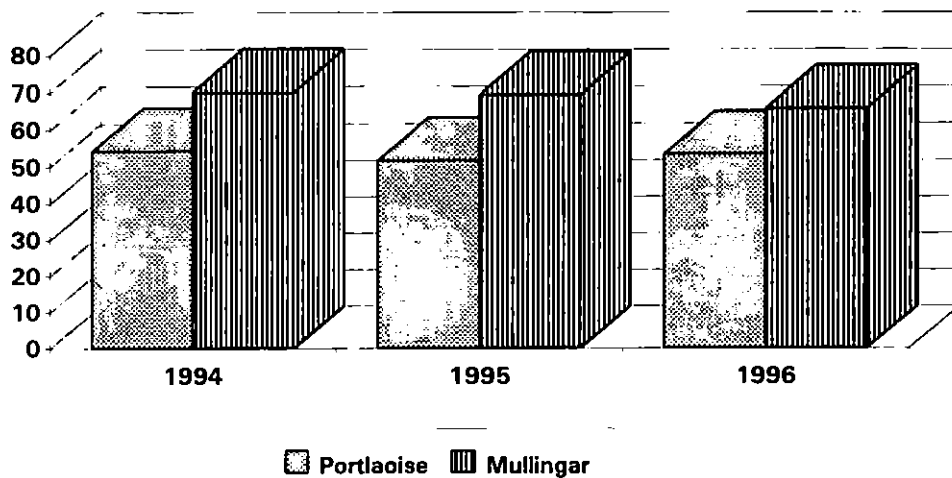
	PORTLAOISE			MULLINGAR		
	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	5,278	5,461	3.47	7,588	7,180	-5.38
No. In - Patients Discharged	1,565	1,565	---	1,730	1,694	-2.08
Average Length of Stay (days)	3.37	3.49	3.56	4.39	4.28	-2.51
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	2	4	---	13	15	15.38
Available Bed Days	10,224	10,255	0.30	10,950	10,980	0.27
Total Bed Days Used	5,280	5,465	3.50	7,601	7,198	-5.30
% Bed Occupancy	51.64	53.29	3.20	69.42	65.56	-5.56
Number of Live Births	1,033	986	-4.55	1,153	1,086	-5.81
Number of Still Births	16	10	-37.50	9	11	22.22
Number of Neo-Natal Deaths	6	4	-33.33	4	3	-25.00

Average Length of Stay - Discharged Patients

Obstetrics



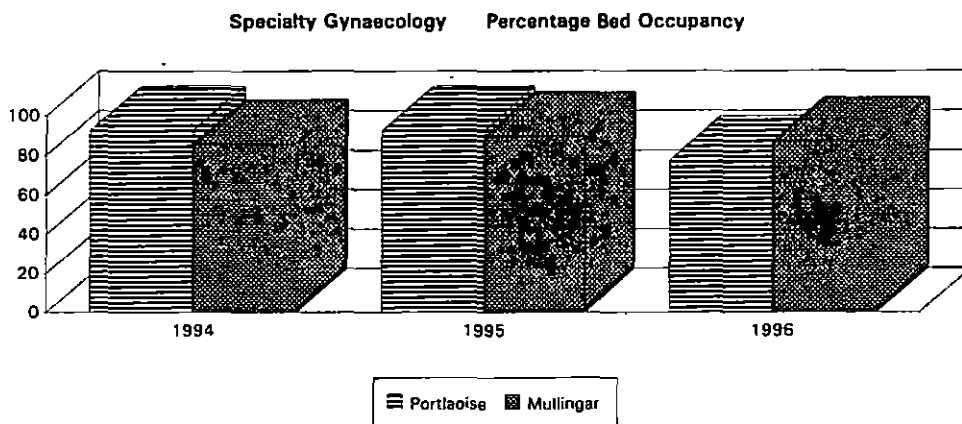
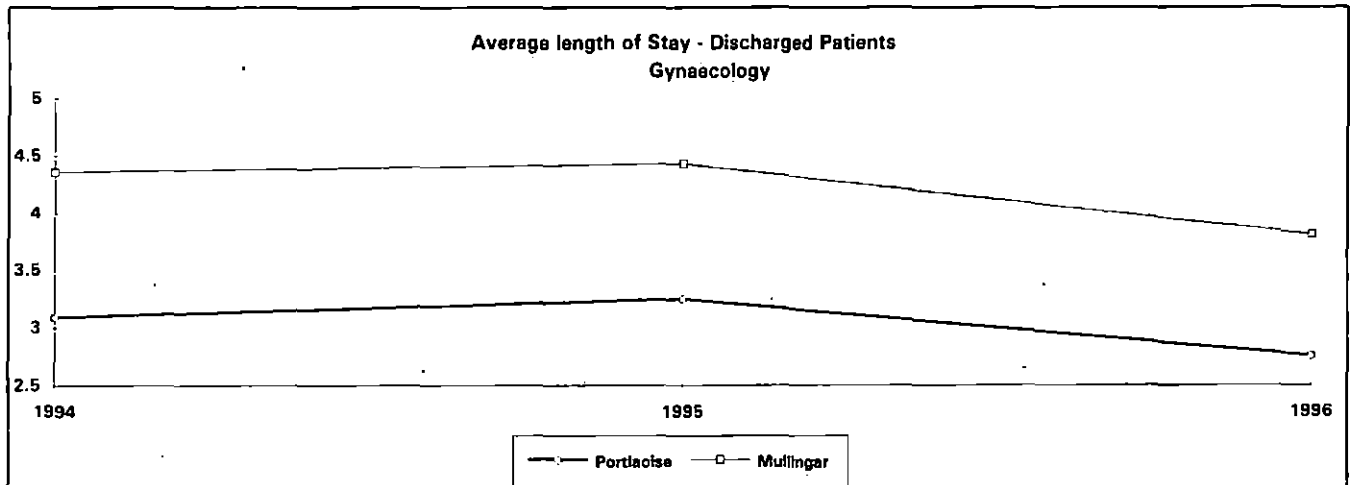
Specialty - Obstetrics Percentage Bed Occupancy



IN - PATIENT STATISTICS 1996

SPECIALTY - GYNAECOLOGY

	PORTLAOISE			MULLINGAR		
	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	1,439	1,169	-18.76	3,908	3,807	-2.58
No. In - Patients Discharged	443	424	-4.29	882	942	6.80
Average Length of Stay (days)	3.25	2.76	-15.08	4.43	4.04	-9.65
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	132	100	-24.24	7	8	14.29
Available Bed Days	1,700	1,645	-3.24	4,380	4,392	0.27
Total Bed Days Used	1,571	1,269	-19.22	3,915	3,812	-2.63
% Bed Occupancy	92.41	77.14	-16.52	89.38	86.79	-2.90

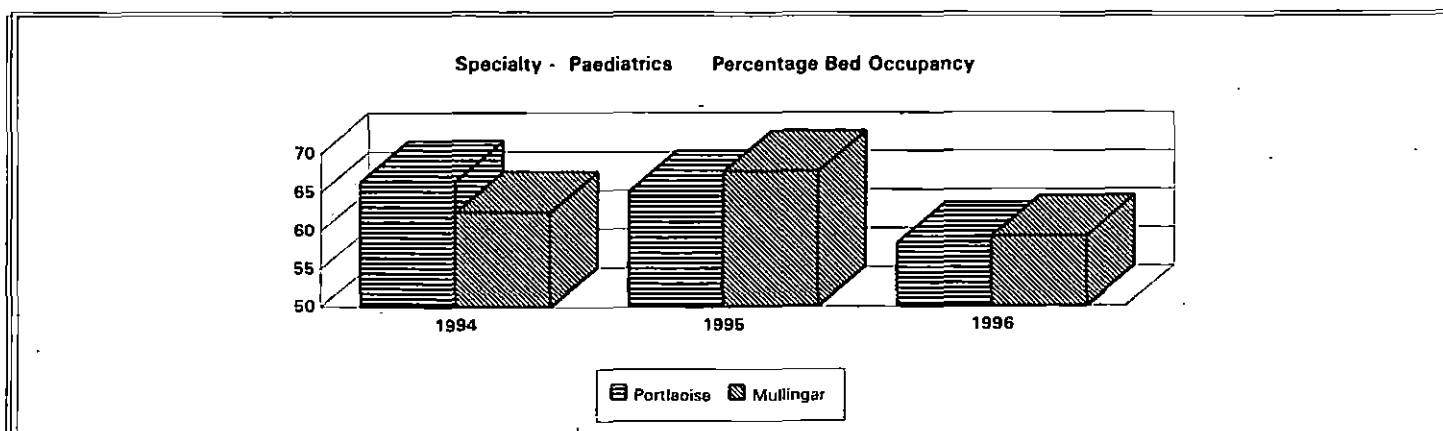
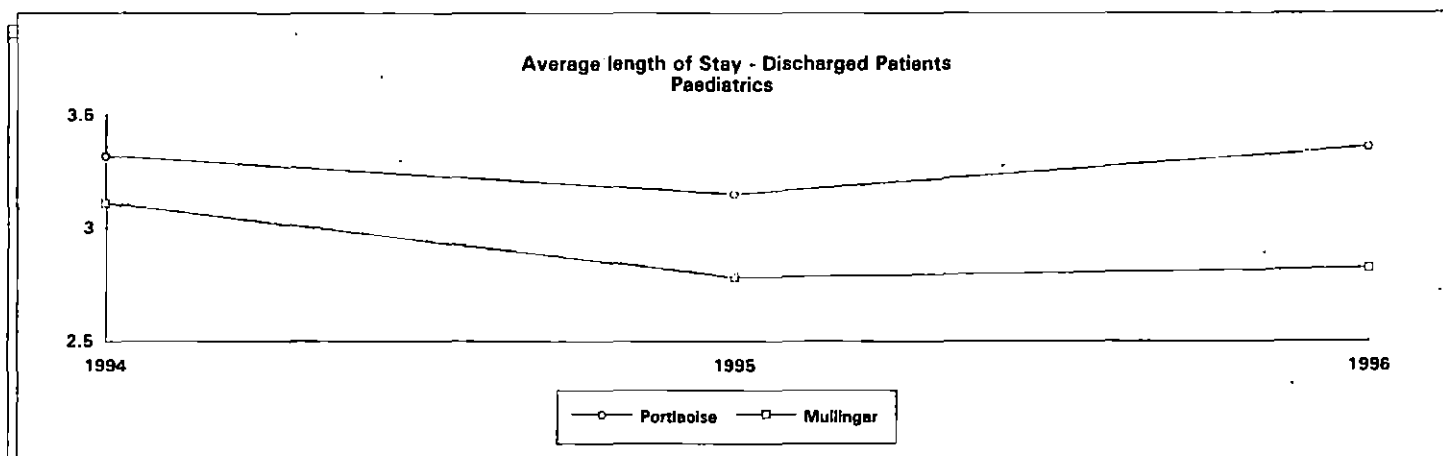


IN - PATIENT STATISTICS 1996

SPECIALTY - PAEDIATRICS

	PORTLAOISE			MULLINGAR		
	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	4,749	4,267	-10.15	5,015	4,347	-13.32
No. In - Patients Discharged	1,506	1,271	-15.60	1,806	1,540	-14.73
Average Length of Stay (days)	3.15	3.36	6.55	2.78	2.82	1.44
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	2	7	250.00	13	40	207.69
Available Bed Days	7,304	7,333	0.40	7,441	7,381	-0.81
Total Bed Days Used	4,751	4,274	-10.04	5,028	4,366	-13.17
% Bed Occupancy	65.05	58.28	-10.40	67.57	59.15	-12.46
Day Care Activity*	1174	1,443	22.91	396	436	10.10

*Day Care Activity refers to children who received treatment in the Ward, but who were not admitted. This treatment was mainly of an urgent nature.



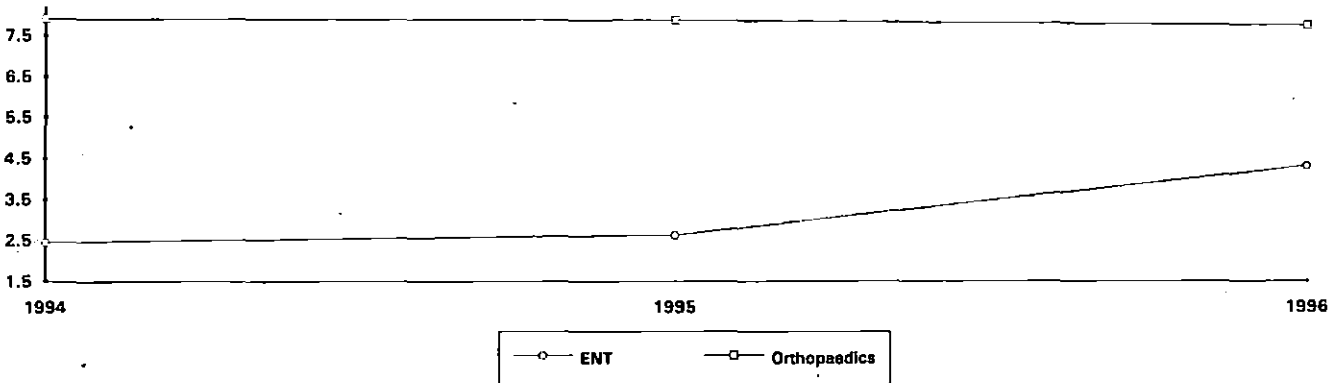
IN - PATIENT STATISTICS 1996

SPECIALTY - ENT AND ORTHOPAEDICS

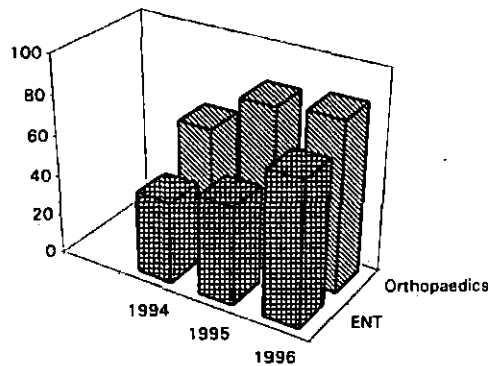
	ENT			ORTHOPAEDICS		
	1995	1996	+/-%	1995	1996	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	3,210	4,980	55.14	14,207	12,068	-15.06
No. In - Patients Discharged	1,226	1,772	44.54	1,810	1,697	6.24
Average Length of Stay (days)	2.62	4.30	64.12	7.85	7.72	-1.66
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	282	290	2.84	145	234	61.38
Available Bed Days	7,094	7,378	4.00	17,451	14,564	16.54
Total Bed Days Used	3,492	5,270	50.92	14,352	12,302	-14.28
% Bed Occupancy	49.22	71.43	45.12	82.24	84.47	2.71

	1995	1996	+/-%
Number of Total Hip replacement operations performed	147	149	1.36
Number of Knee Replacement operations performed	18	31	72.22
Number of Upper Limb Procedures	562	567	0.89
Number of Lower Limb Procedures	932	862	-7.51
Number of Back Epidural Manipulations	55	44	-20.00
Number of Disectomies	26	28	7.69

Average length of stay - Discharged Patients



ENT and Orthopaedics Percentage Bed Occupancy



ACTIVITY BY SPECIALTY 1996

MEDICINE

There are medical departments at each of the General Hospitals, Tullamore, Mullingar and Portlaoise. Medical Out-patient clinics at Athlone and Longford are provided by the Medical Department at the Longford/Westmeath General Hospital Mullingar and are included in out-patient activity figures for Mullingar.

Consultant Physicians: General Hospital Portlaoise: Dr. T.J. Kiernan, Dr. J.J. Connaughton
General Hospital Tullamore: Dr. J. Taaffe, Dr. H.J. O'Connor, Dr. P. Murphy (Geriatrician)
Longford/Westmeath Gen Hosp: Dr. C.D. Quinlan, Dr. M. Donovan, DR. S. Murphy (Geriatrician).

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Tullamore	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:	2,033	3,010	3,619
No of planned Day Patients treated:	35	1,114	731
Total	2,068	4,124	4,350

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	198	361	3,587	3,948
Tullamore	198	857	3,418	4,275
Mullingar	251	868	3,648	4,516
Total	647	2,086	10,653	12,739

Note: Medical Activity shown includes Geriatric medicine.

SURGERY

There are Surgical departments at each of the General Hospitals, Tullamore, Mullingar and Portlaoise. Surgical Out-patient clinics at Athlone and Longford are provided by the Surgical Department at the Longford/Westmeath General Hospital and are included in Mullingar out-patient activity shown here. Similarly, out-patient activity at Birr and Edenderry clinics are provided by the the Surgical Department at the General Hospital Tullamore and are included in out-patient activity for Tullamore.

Consultant Surgeons: General Hospital Portlaoise: Mr. W. Conway, Mr. P. Naughton
General Hospital Tullamore: Mr. F. Durkin, Mr. D. Hehir
Longford/Westmeath Gen. Hospital: Mr. P. F. Magill, Mr. A.G. Mina.

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Tullamore	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:	1,997	2,229	3,064
No of planned Day Patients treated:	1,678	918	1,147
Total	3,675	3,147	4,211

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	175	996	3,043	4,039
Tullamore	232	1,710	2,008	3,718
Mullingar	196	2,716	4,546	7,262
Total	603	5,422	9,597	15,019

ACTIVITY BY SPECIALTY 1996

OBSTETRICS/GYNAECOLOGY

There are two Obstetrics/Gynaecology Units in the Region - at the General Hospital Portlaoise and at the Longford/Westmeath General Hospital Mullingar.

Out-patient Services for the region are provided from these hospitals

Consultant Obstetrician/Gynaecologists:

General Hospital Portlaoise
Longford/Westmeath Gen. Hosp.

Dr P.J.K. Conway, Dr. J. Corristine
Dr. D. Mortell, Dr. M. Skelly

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:		
Obstetrics	1,565	1,694
Gynaecology	424	942
No of Planned Day Patients Treated:		
Obstetrics	4	15
Gynaecology	100	8
Total	2,093	2,659
No. of Live Births	986	1,086
No. of Still-Births	10	11
No. of Neo-Natal Deaths	4	3

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions.	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	191	1,111	3,477	4,588
Tullamore	157	722	2,206	2,928
Mullingar	194	1,264	3,327	4,591
Athlone	42	167	361	528
Longford	103	610	1,968	2,578
Total	687	3,874	11,339	15,213

PAEDIATRICS

There are two Paediatric Units in the Region - at the General Hospital Portlaoise and at the Longford/Westmeath General Hospital Mullingar.

Out-patient Services for the region are provided from these hospitals.

Consultant Paediatricians

General Hospital Portlaoise:
Longford/Westmeath Gen Hosp:

Dr. M. Conran, Dr. G. Nolan
Dr. T. Bate, Dr. A. Altaf (temp.)

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:	1,271	1,540
No. of planned Day Patients treated:	7	40
Sub-Total	1,278	1,580
Day Care Activity*	1,443	436
Total	2,721	2,016

(*Patients seen on the ward but not admitted)

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	92	273	1,691	1,964
Tullamore	78	191	799	990
Mullingar	102	204	1,275	1,479
Athlone	39	95	275	370
Longford	65	199	682	881
Total	376	962	4,722	5,684

ACTIVITY BY SPECIALTY 1996**OTOLARYNGOLOGY - ENT****Regional E.N.T. Services commenced in the Midland Health Board in 1989**

The Regional Ear Nose and Throat Unit is situated at the General Hospital, Tullamore. A second ENT surgeon was appointed in August 1995. A dedicated ENT Theatre is due to open in January 1996. Out-patient services are provided throughout the region.

Consultant ENT Surgeons: Mr. K. O'Driscoll
Mr. H. Savage-Jones

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

No of In-patients discharged: 1,772
No. of planned Day Patients treated: 290
Total 2,062

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	51	513	358	871
Tullamore	228	1,411	3,131	4,542
Mullingar	44	521	431	952
Athlone	44	477	263	740
Longford	22	237	321	558
Total	389	3,159	4,504	7,663

ORTHOPAEDICS**Regional Orthopaedic Services commenced in the Midland Health Board in 1985**

The Regional Orthopaedic Unit is situated at the General Hospital, Tullamore. A third Orthopaedic surgeon was appointed in January 1994. There was one Orthopaedic Theatre in operation during 1995. A second theatre is currently being equipped and is expected to be operational in late 1996. Out-patient services are provided throughout the region.

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeons: Mr. M. Glynn
Mr. P. Keogh
Mr F. Thompson

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

No of In-patients discharged: 1,697
No. of planned Day Patients treated: 234
Total 1,931

No. of total Hip Replacements: 149
No. of Knee Replacements: 31
No. of other procedures: 1,501

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	50	384	1,165	1,549
Tullamore	172	3,144	6,098	9,242
Mullingar	58	265	872	1,137
Athlone	26	156	479	635
Longford	26	186	485	671
Total	332	4,135	9,099	13,234

**COUNTY OR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OF
DISCHARGED PATIENTS - 1996**

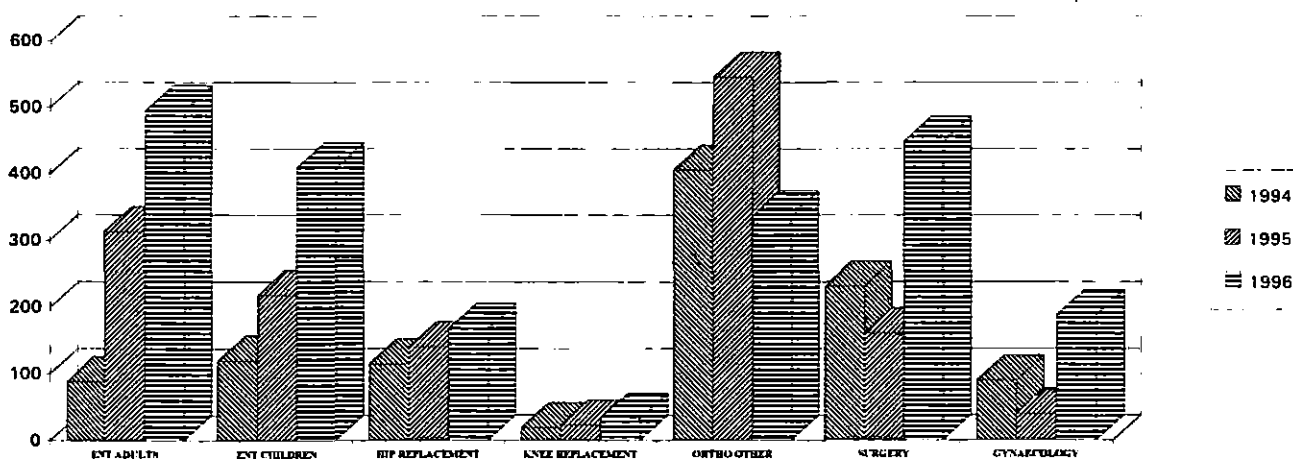
GENERAL/ACUTE HOSPITALS

	PORTLAOISE	TULLAMORE	MULLINGAR	TOTAL
DUBLIN	17	44	40	101
KILDARE	880	166	61	1,107
WICKLOW	5	3	3	11
LAOIS	6,885	1,190	5	8,080
LONGFORD	3	489	3,642	4,134
OFFALY	774	7,242	1,012	9,028
WESTMEATH	40	2,054	7,355	9,449
CLARE	---	16	4	20
LIMERICK	5	19	5	29
TIPPERARY N.R.	302	232	4	538
DONEGAL	---	0	---	0
SLIGO	---	4	4	8
LEITRIM	2	11	81	94
CAVAN	---	14	18	32
LOUTH	1	---	5	6
MEATH	5	25	411	441
MONAGHAN	---	5	---	5
CARLOW	156	31	4	191
KILKENNY	14	5	2	21
TIPPERARY S.R.	7	14	---	21
WATERFORD	---	2	---	2
WEXFORD	1	4	3	8
CORK	4	24	6	34
KERRY	3	20	1	24
GALWAY	3	31	8	42
MAYO	1	4	2	7
ROSCOMMON	---	23	96	119
N. IRELAND	---	7	8	15
OTHER	6	15	20	41
TOTAL	9,114	11,694	12,800	33,608

IN-PATIENT WAITING LISTS 31st DECEMBER 1996

SPECIALTY	PORTLAOISE		MULLINGAR		TULLAMORE	
	Number	Average Waiting Time	Number	Average Waiting Time	Number	Average Waiting Time
General Surgery	381	2.5 years	29	3-4 weeks	39	1 month
General Medicine	---	---	7	1-2 weeks		
Obstetrics	---	---	-	-		
Gynaecology	73	7 months	116	7-8 months		
Paediatrics						
Orthopaedics						
- Hip Replacements					168	1.5 - 2 years
- Knee Replacements					33	1.5 years
- Other					337	3 years
E.N.T.					249	2 years
Children - Tonsils/Adenoids					363	1.5 years
- Grommets					46	6 weeks
Adults					495	3 years

IN-PATIENT WAITING LISTS



ACUTE HOSPITALS

ADMISSIONS - SOURCE OF REFERRAL - 1995- 1996

	PORTLAOISE		MULLINGAR		TULLAMORE	
	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996
Out-Patient Clinics	3,003	2,896	3,567	3,403	4,605	5,381
Direct G.P. Referral	3,281	2,750	3,543	2,890	2,858	3,339
Road Traffic Accidents	82	51	182	180	188	220
Accident/Emergency	2,925	3,178	5,171	6,248	2,218	2,592
Other Hospitals	246	252	70	87	550	643
Totals	9,537	9,127	12,533	12,808	10,419	12,175

DISCHARGES - DESTINATION - 1995- 1996

	PORTLAOISE		MULLINGAR		TULLAMORE	
	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996
Home	9,057	8,615	11,813	12,164	9,886	11,577
Other Acute Hospitals	234	201	290	277	170	199
District & Geriatric] Hospitals (Region)	69	86	132	103	39	46
Other Institutions	39	78	78	73	62	73
Deaths	135	134	210	183	250	293
Totals	9,534	9,114	12,523	12,800	10,407	12,188

ATTENDANCES AT ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS**1986 - 1996**

YEAR	FIRST ATTENDANCES	RECALL ATTENDANCES	TOTAL ATTENDANCES	ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL WARDS	REFERRED TO OTHER HOSPITAL
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GENERAL HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE

1986	5,157	-	-	1,570	135
1987	5,967	-	-	1,207	142
1988	6,186	-	-	1,253	146
1989	6,741	-	-	1,519	154
1990	7,707	-	-	1,670	185
1991	8,065	2,872	10,937	1,588	140
1992	8,752	3,684	12,436	1,807	159
1993	9,358	2,062	11,420	2,018	130
1994	9,825	784	10,609	2,333	522
1995	10,933	688	11,621	2,178	416
1996	11,537	580	12,117	2,023	463

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL MULLINGAR

1986	8,803	-	-	1,759	256
1987	6,744	-	-	1,982	177
1988	7,844	-	-	2,328	249
1989	9,567	-	-	3,076	297
1990	10,933	-	-	4,345	283
1991	12,865	1,661	14,526	5,978	236
1992	14,142	2,560	16,702	6,013	247
1993	14,529	2,610	17,139	6,069	311
1994	15,292	3,145	18,437	6,335	305
1995	16,857	3,706	20,563	7,093	356
1996	17,364	3,070	20,434	7,200	363

GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE

1986	7,639	-	-	1,828	128
1987	6,986	-	-	2,711	77
1988	7,767	-	-	2,522	106
1989	9,395	-	-	3,427	142
1990	9,987	-	-	3,782	126
1991	11,141	1,503	12,644	3,972	228
1992	11,647	2,417	14,064	3,794	173
1993	12,641	2,115	14,756	3,843	236
1994	13,743	2,900	16,643	4,078	292
1995	15,723	3,000	18,723	3,900	303
1996	16,401	3,000	19,401	4,806	320

ATTENDANCES AT ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS**1986 - 1996**

YEAR	FIRST ATTENDANCES	RECALL ATTENDANCES	ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL WARDS	REFERRED TO OTHER HOSPITALS
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GENERAL PRACTITIONER CASUALTY UNIT, ATHLONE

1986	261	-	-	110
1987	175	-	-	38
1988	247	-	1	151
1989	333	-	2	329
1990	390	-	-	34
1991	434	15	1	25
1992	542	2	-	54
1993	770	3	1	55
1994	741	4	-	50
1995	564	2	-	45
1996	825	3	-	58

GENERAL PRACTITIONER CASUALTY UNIT, LONGFORD

1986	2,196	-	63	330
1987	3,899	-	156	223
1988	4,887	-	99	304
1989	4,577	-	129	226
1990	4,398	-	173	288
1991	5,277	5,341	260	501
1992	5,279	5,488	217	659
1993	4,938	5,316	226	601
1994	5,847	5,042	207	705
1995	6,754	5,220	182	847
1996	6,954	4,975	88	968

**NO. OF ANAESTHETICS ADMINISTERED
IN OPERATING THEATRES.**

Consultant Anaesthetists	Tullamore	Dr. J. Billett, Dr. P. Dunkin, Dr. K. O'Loughlin, Dr. P. Scarlett.
	Mullingar	Dr. K.J. McCourt, Dr. R. McMahon, Dr. J. Puri (temp.)
	Portlaoise	Dr. D. Cregan, Dr. C. O'Mahoney-O'Shea (temp). Dr. M. Faheem (temp.)

GENERAL ANAESTHETICS

HOSPITALS	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Portlaoise	1,501	1,789	1,774	1,812	1,874	1,927	2,273	2,032	1,889	1,898
Mullingar	2,547	2,385	2,369	2,646	2,671	2,701	2,450	2,578	2,500	2,607
Tullamore	2,089	2,112	2,282	2,400	2,481	2,631	2,376	2,485	2,953	3,252
Totals	6,137	6,286	6,425	6,858	7,026	7,259	7,099	7,095	7,342	7,757

LOCAL ANAESTHETICS

HOSPITALS	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Portlaoise	912	1,154	1,173	1,469	1,549	1,604	1,536	1,678	1,685	1,679
Mullingar	1,070	1,235	1,398	1,190	1,576	1,648	1,740	1,836	1,838	2,064
Tullamore	413	455	540	554	1,117	1,618	1,090	1,245	1,380	1,496
Totals	2,395	2,844	3,111	3,213	4,242	4,870	4,366	4,759	4,903	5,239

Endoscopies are carried out in the Endoscopy Unit adjacent to the Day Unit in the General Hospital Tullamore and were not being included in the Theatre Register until 1991. In the other hospitals endoscopies are carried out in Theatre.

RADIOLOGICAL SERVICES - NUMBER OF EXAMINATIONS - 1996

Consultant Radiologists: **Tullamore** Dr. P. Redmond, Dr. D. Carruthers
 Mullingar Dr. M.L.G. Smith, Dr. H. Logan
 Portlaoise Dr. J.C. Shanahan, Dr. D. Carruthers.

LOCATION	NUMBER OF X-RAY EXAMINATIONS		ULTRASOUND EXAMINATIONS		C.T. SCANS		TOTAL	
	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996
MULLINGAR	39,468	43,273	3,964	4,028	-	-	43,432	47,301
ATHLONE	6,700	7,123	-	216	-	-	6,700	7,339
LONGFORD	16,674	16,191	-	-	-	-	16,674	16,191
PORTLAOISE	32,993	35,394	2,585	1,568	-	-	35,578	36,962
TULLAMORE	39,349	41,894	2,019	2,314	3,311	4,031	44,679	48,239
TOTALS	135,184	143,875	8,568	8,126	3,311	4,031	147,063	156,032

BREAKDOWN OF SPECIAL PROCEDURES

LOCATION	MAMMO GRAMS	BARIUM MEALS	SMALL BOWEL MEALS	BARIUM ENEMAS	CHOLECY- STOGRAMS	I.V. PYELO- GRAMS	THEATRE PROCEDURES	SPECIAL PROCEDURES	
								MINOR	MAJOR
MULLINGAR		490	87	362	22	422	146	574	242
ATHLONE		-			5				
LONGFORD		296	6	43	54				
PORTLAOISE	391	184	75	392	63	288	32	326	210
TULLAMORE		161	62	288	4	181	1,100	222	639
TOTAL	391	1,131	230	1,085	148	891	1,278	1,122	1,091

LABORATORY SERVICES

Consultant Pathologists

Dr. D. Gilsean

Dr. K. Cunnane

TOTAL TESTS PERFORMED

Laboratory	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Portlaoise	177,276	191,971	229,585	290,117	320,314	403,786	434,799	490,650	532,218	559,579
Mullingar	332,716	375,290	434,109	595,280	668,470	764,553	776,826	789,131	879,520	1,015,879
Tullamore	305,863	304,895	363,972	364,982	399,781	449,794	547,946	674,948	780,382	833,248
Totals	815,855	872,156	1,027,666	1,250,379	1,388,565	1,618,133	1,759,571	1,954,729	2,192,120	2,408,706

BREAKDOWN OF TESTS

Laboratory	Year	Bio-Chemistry	Bacteriology	Histology	Haematology/Blood Transfusion	Other	Total
Portlaoise	1987	63,951	21,573	-	83,701	8,051	177,276
	1988	69,363	22,966	-	92,533	7,109	191,971
	1989	82,158	42,836	-	92,459	12,132	229,585
	1990	97,163	55,788	-	129,577	7,589	290,117
	1991	115,849	60,000	-	135,965	8,500	320,314
	1992	127,730	120,994	-	141,437	13,627	403,876
	1993	141,503	123,100	-	156,146	14,050	434,799
	1994	162,756	138,205	-	169,708	19,981	490,650
	1995	182,416	157,818	-	171,984	20,000	532,218
	1996	192,446	163,414	-	183,114	20,605	559,579
Mullingar	1987	88,440	65,091	-	178,880	305	332,716
	1988	104,700	71,970	-	198,460	160	375,290
	1989	127,065	82,600	-	222,128	2,316	434,109
	1990	220,330	107,521	-	267,260	169	595,280
	1991	250,378	120,421	-	279,431	240	668,470
	1992	307,907	127,974	-	328,514	158	764,553
	1993	327,341	131,845	-	317,470	170	776,826
	1994	340,203	134,834	-	313,944	150	789,131
	1995	392,337	166,412	-	320,565	206	879,520
	1996	466,545	184,653	-	364,453	228	1,015,879
Tullamore	1987	86,049	83,102	13,318	123,394	-	305,683
	1988	84,209	72,329	15,619	132,738	-	304,895
	1989	87,111	91,558	18,395	161,425	5,483	363,972
	1990	109,558	85,660	21,367	141,294	7,103	364,982
	1991	116,803	103,132	23,727	148,644	7,475	399,781
	1992	142,757	109,513	25,521	164,332	7,671	449,794
	1993	154,652	116,725	36,425	231,742	8,404	547,946
	1994	218,463	138,346	39,907	267,296	10,936	674,948
	1995	236,148	143,536	44,479	331,072	25,147	780,382
	1996	260,652	135,188	46,490	377,131	13,787	833,248

PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICES - 1996

General Hospitals

LOCATION	In - Patients		Out - Patients		Hospital Service to Community Care	
	Number Treated	Treatments Given	Numbers Treated	Treatments Given	Numbers Treated	Treatments Given
General Hospital Portlaoise	1,352	5,592	675	6,513	33	180
Longford/Westmeath General Hospital	2,681	8,545	1,020	5,404	4	85
General Hospital Tullamore	1,842	12,649	1,057	6,403	29	45

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES - 1996

	GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE		LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL	
	1995	1996	1995	1996
	IN-PATIENTS			
No. In-Patients Treated	497	527	293	434
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	3,856	2,283	2551	3,153
OUT-PATIENTS				
No. Out-Patients Treated	252	131	215	209
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	937	487	1673	1,215
Units of Treatment - Group Therapy	9	8	-	NIL
HOSPITAL SERVICES TO COMMUNITY CARE				
No. of Patients Treated	20	0	7	23
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	99	0	111	79

ATTENDANCE AT OUT-PATIENT CLINICS - 1996

LOCATION	NO. OF SESSIONS	NEW PATIENTS		RETURN PATIENTS		WAITING LIST DEC. 1996	AVERAGE WAITING TIME
		NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION		
PORTLAOISE							
Medicine	198	361	1.82	3,587	18.12	112	6 mths.
Surgery	175	996	5.69	3,043	17.39	1,610	3.5 yrs.
Gynaecology	84	469	5.58	874	10.40	338	9 mths.
Obstetrics	107	642	6.00	2,603	24.33	28	2 wks.
Paediatrics	92	273	2.97	1,691	18.38	39	2 mths.
Orthopaedics	50	384	7.68	1,165	23.30	93	2.5 mths.
Breast Clinic	50	330	6.60	914	18.28	25	3 wks.
E.N.T.	51	513	10.06	358	7.02	246	8 mths.
Oncology	24	132	5.50	348	14.50	-	
TOTAL	831	4,100	-	14,583	-	2,491	-
TULLAMORE							
Medicine	198	857	4.33	3,418	17.26	87	5-6 mths.
Surgery*	232	1,710	7.37	2,008	8.66	361	6 mths.
Gynaecology	62	363	5.85	446	7.19	0	
Obstetrics	95	359	3.78	1,760	18.53	0	
Paediatrics	78	191	2.45	799	10.24	0	
Orthopaedics	172	3,144	18.28	6,098	35.45	377	6-9 mths.
E.N.T.	228	1,411	6.19	3,131	13.73	40	1 month.
Geriatric Medicine	82	266	3.24	860	10.49	0	
TOTAL	1,147	8,301	-	18,520	-	865	
							* Includes Out-Patient activity in Birr and Edenderry.
MULLINGAR							
Medicine	154	622	4.04	3,144	20.42	148	5-6 mths.
Surgery	102	1,575	15.44	2,834	27.78	53	2-3 wks.
Gynaecology	98	654	6.67	1,182	12.06	10	1-2 wks.
Obstetrics	96	610	6.35	2,145	22.34	-	-
Paediatrics	102	204	2.00	1,275	12.50	26	4 wks.
Orthopaedics	58	265	4.57	872	15.03	116	5 mths.
E.N.T.	44	521	11.84	431	9.80	42	3-4 mths.
TOTAL	654	4,451	-	11,883	-	395	-
ATHLONE							
Medicine	37	57	1.54	121	3.27	-	-
Surgery	46	268	5.83	379	8.24	-	-
Gynae/Obst.	42	167	3.98	361	8.60	-	-
Paediatrics	39	95	2.44	275	7.05	3	3 wks.
Orthopaedics	26	156	6.00	479	18.42	141	9 mths
E.N.T.	44	477	10.84	263	5.98	53	2-3 mths.
TOTAL	234	1,220	-	1,878	-	197	
LONGFORD							
Medicine	60	189	3.15	383	6.38	32	10 wks.
Surgery	48	873	18.19	1,333	27.77	30	5 wks.
Gynae/Obst.	103	610	5.92	1,968	19.11	-	2 wks.
Paediatrics	65	199	3.06	682	10.49	9	3-4 wks.
Orthopaedics	26	186	7.15	485	18.65	69	6 mths.
E.N.T.	22	237	10.77	321	14.59	109	6 mths.
TOTAL	324	2,294	-	5,172	-	249	

**ATTENDANCE AT CLINICS HELD BY COMMUNITY
OPHTHALMIC PHYSICIANS - 1996**

LOCATION	NO. OF SESSIONS	NEW PATIENTS		RETURN PATIENTS		AVERAGE NO. SEEN PER SESSION	WAITING LIST DEC 1996	AVERAGE WAITING TIME Dec-96
		NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION			
PORTLAOISE								
Ophthalmic	174	538	3.09	1,614	9.28	12.37	625	1.5 yrs.
TULLAMORE								
Ophthalmic	69	524	7.59	956	13.85	21.44	886	1.5-2 yrs.
MULLINGAR								
Ophthalmic	74	432	5.84	362	4.89	10.73	782	6-24 mths.
ATHEONE								
Ophthalmic	27*	151	5.59	522	19.33	24.92	492	36 mths.
LONGFORD								
Ophthalmic	69	423	6.13	328	4.75	10.88	523	12-13 mths.
TOTAL	413	2,068	5.01	3,782	9.16	14.17	3,308	

*Clinic sessions 4 hours duration.

**ATTENDANCE AT CLINICS HELD BY VISITING
OPHTHALMIC SURGEONS - 1996**

LOCATION	NO. OF SESSIONS	NEW PATIENTS		RETURN PATIENTS		AVERAGE NO. SEEN PER SESSION	WAITING LIST DEC 1996	AVERAGE WAITING TIME Dec-96
		NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION			
PORTLAOISE								
Ophthalmic	32	178	5.56	424	13.25	18.81	15	1-2 mths.
TULLAMORE								
Ophthalmic	50	156	3.12	468	9.36	12.48	100	1 year.
MULLINGAR								
Ophthalmic	20	179	8.95	208	10.40	19.35	77	2 years.
TOTAL	102	513		1,100			192	

Longford/Westmeath General Hospital HIPE Activity 1996

Number of Discharges - 11,333 (Inpatients & Day cases)

Activity Coded to March 31st - 97.6%

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Diagnosis (Adult)

Condition	No. of Cases	*Average Length of Stay
1. Ischaemic Heart Disease	325	9
2. Head injuries	301	2
3. Abdominal Pain	300	3
4. C.O.A.D.	250	8
5. Menorrhagia	212	4
6. Pneumonia	160	9
7. Sterilisation	151	2
8. Respiratory Tract Infection	150	8
9. Gallstones	140	7
10. Cerebrovascular Accident	106	13

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Diagnosis (Child)

Condition	No. of Cases	Average Length of Stay
1. Non-infectious gastro-enteritis	183	2
2. Viral Illness	175	2
3. Respiratory Tract Infection	170	3
4. Asthma	127	2
5. Head Injury	118	2
6. Abdominal Pain	90	2
7. Bronchitis	84	2
8. Tonsillitis	70	2
9. Appendicitis	53	5
10. Accidental ingestion medicine/toxic sub.	52	2

* Length of stay is rounded off to the nearest day

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Procedures

Procedure	No. of Cases
1. Upper GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	330
2. D+C	284
3. Lower GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	152
4. Sterilisation	143
5. Abdominal hysterectomy	125
6. Repair Hernia	88
6. Cystoscopy +/- biopsy	88
8. Appendicectomy	70
9. Cholecystectomy	65
10. Ligation of varicose veins	60

Top 5 Children's Inpatient Procedures

Procedure	No. of Cases
1. Suture of skin	69
2. Appendicectomy	54
3. Reduction Colles Fracture	21
4. Debridement of wound	13
5. Excision toe nail	8

Top 10 Daycase Procedures - All Ages

Procedure	No. of Cases
1. Excision skin lesions	452
2. Upper GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	451
3. Lower GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	172
4. Removal of ingrown toe nail	95
5. Chemotherapy	58
6. Cystoscopy +/- biopsy	28
7. Breast biopsy	22
8. Repair Inguinal Hernia	17
9. Circumcision	16
10. Carpal Tunnel Release	14

General Hospital Tullamore HIPE Activity 1996

Total Number Discharged - 12,108 (Inpatients and Daycases)

Activity coded to March 31st - 67%

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Diagnosis (Adult)

Condition	No. of Cases	*Average Length of Stay
1. C.O.A.D. (Emphysema & Bronchitis)	201	11
2. Ischaemic Heart Disease	174	7
3. Respiratory Tract Infections	157	9
4. Gallstones	131	5
5. Osteoarthritis Pelvis	127	13
6. Fracture femur	124	15
7. Abdominal Pain	107	3
8. Head Injury	106	2
9. Chronic Tonsillitis	98	2
10. Epistaxis	85	4

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Diagnosis (Child)

Condition	No. of Cases	Average Length of Stay
1. Chronic Tonsillitis	141	2
2. Otitis Media	83	1
3. Fracture radius +/- ulna	71	2
4. Head Injury	68	2
5. Abdominal Pain	49	2
6. Appendicitis	42	3
7. Hypertrophy tonsils +/- adenoids	38	2
8. Fracture tibia +/- fibula	23	2
9. Respiratory tract infection	20	2
10. Fracture humerus	20	2

* Length of stay rounded off to the nearest day

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Procedures

Procedure	No. of Cases
1. Total Hip Replacement	118
2. Upper GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	123
3. Reduction of fractured femur	107
4. Tonsillectomy	88
5. Closed reduction of fracture tibia/fibula	70
6. Repair hernia	69
7. Ligation varicose veins	66
8. Appendicectomy	56
9. Endoscopy biliary tract	54
10. Endoscopy large bowel +/- biopsy	53

Top 5 Principal Procedures

Procedure	No. of Cases
1. Tonsillectomy +/- Adenoidectomy	175
2. Insertion of Grommets	80
2. Reduction fracture radius/ulna	80
4. Appendicectomy	48
5. Reduction fracture tib/fib	22

Top 10 Day Case Procedures - All Ages

Procedure	No. of Cases
1. Upper GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	443
2. Dental Extraction	410
3. Excision skin lesions	308
4. Lower Intestinal endoscopy +/- biopsy	269
5. Insertion of Grommets	173
6. Endoscopic biliary tract procedures	94
7. Arthroscopy	68
8. Removal of ingrown toe nail	53
9. Endoscopic sinus procedures	51
10. Removal of internal fixation device	49

*** The above report excludes longstay, rehab and respite.**

Portlaoise General Hospital HIPE Activity 1996.

Total number of discharges - 7,756 (Inpatients & Daycases)

Activity coded to March 31st - 95%

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Diagnosis (Adult)

Condition	No. of cases	*Average Length of Stay
1. Ischaemic Heart Disease	230	7
2. Abdominal pain	182	4
3. C.O.A.D.	161	6
4. Gallstones	126	6
5. Benign prostatic hypertrophy	122	7
6. Respiratory tract infection	99	6
7. Head injuries	86	2
8. Hernias	78	4
9. Toxic effects drugs (O/D)	71	2
10. Appendicitis	61	4

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Diagnosis (Children)

Condition	No. of cases	Average Length of Stay
1. Asthma	150	3
2. Respiratory tract infection	122	3
3. Abdominal pain	98	3
4. Non-infectious gastro-enteritis	96	3
5. Viral illness	91	2
6. Otitis Media	66	3
7. Bronchiolitis	58	4
8. Tonsillitis	48	3
9. Urinary tract infection	44	5
10. Head injuries	43	2

** Average Length of Stay is rounded off to the nearest day.*

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Procedures (Adults)

Procedure	No. of cases
1. Upper GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	134
2. TUR of Prostate	108
3. Lower GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	69
3. Appendicectomy	69
5. Repair hernias	63
6. Cholecystectomy	61
7. Ligation of varicose veins	50
8. Cystoscopy	47
9. Female Sterilization	46
10. Abdominal Hysterectomy	41

Top 5 Inpatient Principal Procedure (Child)

Procedure	No. of cases
1. Appendicectomy	46
2. Orchidopexy	7
2. Skin sutures	7
4. Small bowel biopsy	5
5. Incision & drainage abscess	3

Top 10 Daycase Procedures - All Ages

Procedure	No. of cases
1. Lower GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	362
2. Excision skin lesion	326
3. Upper GI endoscopy +/- biopsy	251
4. Breast biopsy	220
5. Cystoscopy +/- biopsy	184
6. D+C	121
7. Removal of Ingrown toe nail	62
8. Injection of haemorrhoids	37
9. Female Sterilisation	28
10. Urethral dilatation	21
10. Circumcision	21

Midland Health Board HIPE Activity 1996.

Number of Discharges on the HIPE System - 31,197 (Inpatient & Daycases)

Activity Coded to March 31st - 86.5%

Top 10 Inpatient Diagnosis (Adult)

<i>Condition</i>	<i>No. of Cases</i>	<i>*Average Length of Stay</i>
1. Ischaemic Heart Disease	729	8
2. COAD (Emphysema & Bronchitis)	612	8
3. Abdominal Pain	589	3
4. Head Injury	493	2
5. Respiratory Tract Infection	406	8
6. Gallstones	397	6
7. Pneumonia	288	9
8. Menorrhagia	262	4
9. Hernias	252	5
10. Toxic Effect of Drugs	220	2

Top 10 Principal Diagnosis (Child)

<i>Condition</i>	<i>No. of Cases</i>	<i>Average Length of Stay</i>
1. Respiratory Tract Infection	312	3
2. Asthma	282	2
3. Non Infectious Gastroenteritis	280	3
4. Viral Illness	267	2
5. Abdominal Pain	237	2
6. Head Injury	229	2
7. Otitis Media	190	2
8. Chronic Tonsillitis	141	2
9. Appendicitis	136	4
10. Acute Tonsillitis	125	2

** Length of Stay is rounded off to the nearest day.*

Top 10 Inpatient Principal Procedures (Adult)

<i>Procedure</i>	<i>No. of Cases</i>
1. Upper GI Endoscopy +/- biopsy	587
2. D&C	359
3. Lower GI Endoscopy +/- biopsy	274
4. Repair Hernia	220
5. Appendicectomy	195
6. Female Sterilisation	189
7. Ligation of Varicose Veins	176
8. Cholecystectomy	173
9. Abdominal Hysterectomy	166
10. Cystoscopy +/- biopsy	137
10. Prostatectomy	137

Top 5 Inpatient Principal Procedures (Child)

<i>Procedure</i>	<i>No. of Cases</i>
1. Tonsillectomy +/- Adenoidectomy	175
2. Appendicectomy	148
3. Reduction of Fracture of Radius +/- Ulna	101
4. Suture of Skin	85
5. Insertion of Grommets	80

Top 10 Daycase Procedures (All Ages)

<i>Procedure</i>	<i>No. of Cases</i>
1. Upper GI Endoscopy +/- biopsy	1145
2. Excision of Skin Lesions	1086
3. Lower GI Endoscopy +/- biopsy	803
4. Dental Extraction	410
5. Breast Biopsy/Lumpectomy	251
6. Cystoscopy +/- biopsy	212
7. Removal of Toe Nail	210
8. Insertion of Grommets	173
9. D&C	121
10. Endoscopic Biliary Tract Procedures	94

Uses and Users of the HIPE System

Further use was made of HIPE information throughout 1996 by the following groups within the board:

- Consultants & NCHD's
- Nursing & Paramedical Staff
- Administrative Staff
- Department of Public Health

HIPE was also used for the following purposes:

- Negotiations with BUPA
- Background information for the SCHARR Report
- Service Plans

The Casemix adjustment of budget for 1997 was based on the following 3 components:

- Casemix discharges for 1995
- Daycases for 1995
- Workload adjustment for year ending 30/6/96 to take cognisance of up to date activity within hospitals

The Midland Health Board's Casemix Adjustment of Budget is broken down as follows:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| • Longford/Westmeath General Hospital | + £ 71,148 |
| • General Hospital, Portlaoise | - £ 897 |
| • General Hospital, Tullamore | + £ 115,690 |

**** Note - The number of discharges relates to Inpatients and Daycases which are on the HIPE System. The number includes some obstetric activity (ie. cases with complications), in the case of Portlaoise and Longford/Westmeath and long-stay, respite and rehab cases in the General Hospital, Tullamore. However for the purpose of this report, such cases have been excluded as they are not included for casemix purposes.***

The principal procedures reports denote the main procedure which the patient would have undergone - it is not a total of all procedures.

Similarly, if a patient who came in for a daycase procedure has to remain in overnight, the status of that patient changes to inpatient.

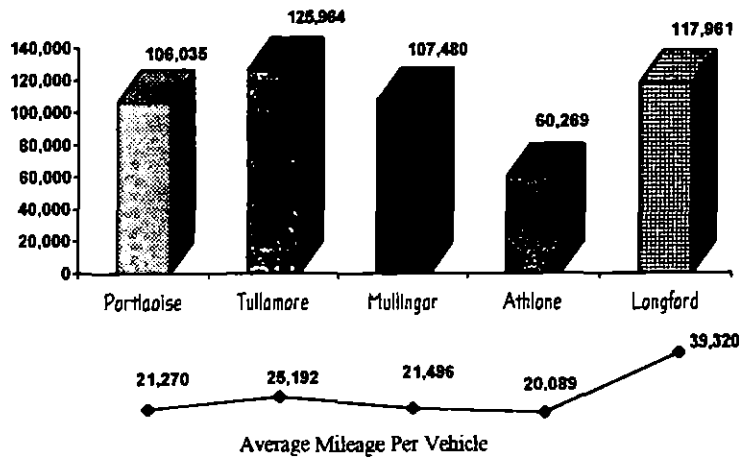
AMBULANCE SERVICE.

Ambulance Distribution:

Tullamore 5	Portlaoise 5	Mullingar 5	Athlone 3	Longford 3
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Vehicle Mileage

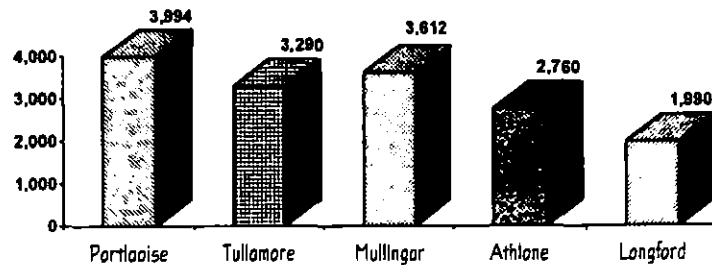
1st January 1996 - 31st December 1996



Total Mileage = 517,709

Patients Carried

1st January, 1996 - 31st December, 1996



Total Patients Carried = 15,646

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

BALANCE SHEET OF MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD AS AT 31st DECEMBER 1996

£'m	1996	1995
FIXED ASSETS		
Tangible Assets (Note 1)	48.507	172.532
CURRENT ASSETS		
Stock	2.307	2.089
Debtors	11.279	10.369
Cash	0.638	0.894
	<u>14.224</u>	<u>13.352</u>
CREDITORS		
Bank Loans & Overdrafts	3.181	3.633
Other Creditors	12.425	11.021
Health Contributions	0.000	0.229
	<u>15.606</u>	<u>14.883</u>
	47.125	171.001

Represented by:

CAPITAL & RESERVES

Non Capital Income & Expenditure Account	(0.843)	(0.003)
Capital Fund:		
Capitalisation Account	48.507	172.533
Less Deficit on Capital Income & Expenditure Account	(1.169)	(2.189)
Deferred Income Account	0.630	0.660
	47.125	171.001

Note 1:

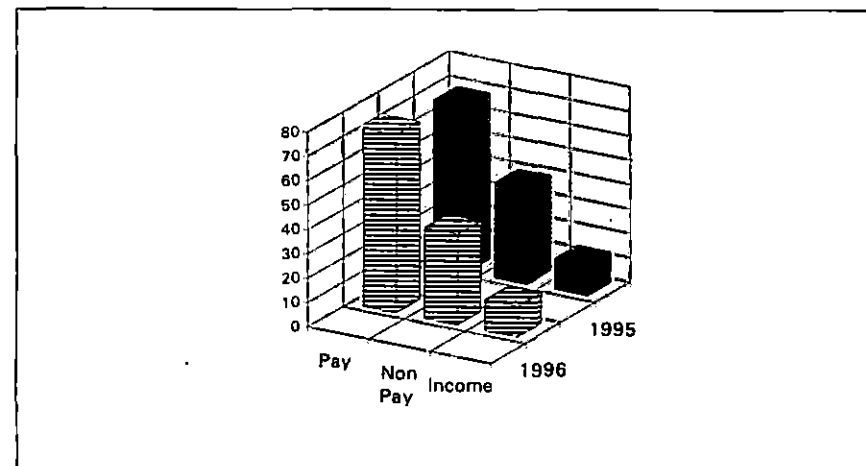
The main reason for the reduction in the value of tangible assets in 1996 as compared to 1995 is the change in the accounting standards for arriving at a valuation of buildings for balance sheet purposes. In the 1995 accounts the reinstatement value was used for the valuation of buildings whereas in 1996 the age of the buildings and the estimated remaining useful life of the buildings were also taken into account in arriving at a valuation.

MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD - FINANCIAL DATA 1996

Expenditure Analysis

£'m Total Expenditure	1996	1995	% Inc/(Dec)
Pay Expenditure	73.029	68.158	7.15%
Non Pay Expenditure	37.275	39.019	-4.47%
Gross Expenditure	110.304	107.177	2.92%
Income	12.714	12.671	0.34%
Net Expenditure	97.590	94.506	3.26%

Expenditure Analysis



Programme Analysis

Net Expenditure £'m	1996	1995	% Inc/(Dec)
General Hospital	33.094	30.648	7.98%
Special Hospital	15.658	15.292	2.39%
Community Care	44.949	45.143	-0.43%
Central Services	3.889	3.423	13.61%
Total Net Expenditure	97.590	94.506	3.26%

Programme Analysis

