

EPISODIC CARE

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PRIMARY CARE SERVICES

GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES SCHEME

Statistical data for items 1-3 below area based on the 1999 Annual Report of the General Medical Services Payment Board (data for 2000 is not yet available).

1. NUMBER OF PEOPLE COVERED BY THE SCHEME AT DECEMBER 2000

71,403 - 34.74%

2. NUMBER OF PARTICIPANT DOCTORS AND PHARMACISTS

Doctors 101
Pharmacists 65

3. COST PER ELIGIBLE PATIENT

£355.55 - An increase of 15.5% on 1999

The highest in the country was £366.97 and the lowest was £312

4. PRESCRIPTIONS & MEDICINES		
NUMBER	% INCREASE ON 1999	NATIONAL % INCREASE ON 1999
Forms = 646,332	0.297%	1.106%
Items = 1,519,424	4.70	5.540%

The average cost per prescription was £26.20

5. PAYMENTS TO DOCTORS AND PHARMACISTS		
	1999	2000
Doctors	£8.519m	£9.113m
Pharmacists	£15.176m	£17.539m

6. MEDICAL CARDS - ANALYSIS BY COUNTY AT 30/09/2000				
COUNTY	NUMBER OF CARDS CURRENT ON 30/9/2000	NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE PERSONS ON 30/9/2000	NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE PERSON ON 30/9/00 AS % OF POPULATION	Population
Laois	10,912	18,098	34.18%	52,945
Offaly	12,100	20,086	33.98%	59,117
Westmeath	12,534	20,662	32.63%	63,314
Longford	7,670	12,557	41.63%	30,166
Total	43,216	71,403	34.74%	205,542

7. NUMBER OF CLAIMS FOR MIDLAND HEALTH BOARD GENERAL PRACTITIONERS						
FEE CATEGORY	Numbers 1998	Cost £	Numbers 1999	Cost £	Numbers 2000	Cost £
Special Type*	5,832	87,582	14,839	182,052	15,246	190,924
Special Service*	11,195	189,047	12,189	358,858	25,866	527,739
Out of Hours	32,385	799,271	37,043	928,296	39,830	1,025,371

8. ADULT DENTAL SERVICES - DTSS SCHEME - ACTIVITY ANALYSIS 2000			
	Longford/Westmeath	Laois/Offaly	Total
No. on waiting list for routine treatment at 1st January 2000	30	0	30
No. of applications received	2962	2896	5858
No. of approvals	2968	2896	5864
Waiting list at 31/12/00	24	0	24

BED NUMBERS AT 31st DECEMBER, 2000

ACUTE HOSPITALS	SURGERY	MEDICINE	CHILDREN	OBSTETRICS	GYNAE/COLOGY	SECURE UNIT	PAEDIATRICS	INTENSIVE/CORONARY CARE	DAY BEDS	ORTHO-PAEDICS	E.N.T.	TOTAL
Mullingar	57	57	-	26	16	-	25	6	11	-	-	198
Tullamore	27*	44	16	-	-	-	-	8	14	47**	18	174
Portlaoise	31	39	-	26	4	1	20	8	12	-	-	141
Totals	115	140	16	52	20	1	45	22	37	47	18	513

Longstay/Acute	
Athlone	76
Longford	22
Totals	98

Geriatric Hospitals	
Mountmellick	172
Mullingar	126
Longford Hospitals	160
Tullamore (+ hospice bed)	48*
St. Brigid's Shaen	62
Totals	568

Psychiatric Hospitals	
St. Loman's Hospital Mullingar	184
St. Fintan's Hospital Portlaoise	97
Totals	281

* Includes 5 five-day beds

** Includes 12 five-day beds

GENERAL HOSPITALS.

General Manager: Mr. John Bulfin.

GENERAL HOSPITAL, PORTLAOISE		GENERAL HOSPITAL, TULLAMORE		LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL,	
Administrator:	Mr. P. Waters Ms. A. Burke (Acting)	Administrator:	Ms. M. O'Callaghan (Acting) Ms. O. O'Brien (Acting)	Administrator:	Mr. J. Martin
Matron:		Matron:		Matron:	Ms. M. Hogan
NUMBER OF BEDS BY SPECIALTY		NUMBER OF BEDS BY SPECIALTY		NUMBER OF BEDS BY SPECIALTY	
General Surgery	31	General Surgery	27	General Surgery	57
Intensive Care Unit	4	Intensive Care Unit	4	Intensive Care Unit	3
General Medicine	39	Orthopaedic	47	General Medicine	57
Coronary Care Unit	4	General Medicine	44	Coronary Care Unit	3
Obstetrics	26	Coronary Care Unit	4	Obstetrics	26
Gynaecology	4	ENT	18	Gynaecology	16
Paediatrics	20	Children	16	Paediatrics	25
Secure Unit	1				
Total	129	Total	160	Total	187
Day beds	12	Day beds	14	Day beds	11
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY 2000		SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY 2000		SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY 2000	
Number of In-patients treated	7,677	Number of In-patients treated	9,493	Number of In-patients treated	12,085
Number of Day Patients treated	1,975	Number of Day Patients treated	4,517	Number of Day Patients treated	4,161
Number of Out-Patient Clinics held	922	Number of Out-Patient Clinics held	1,289	Number of Out-Patient Clinics held*	1,353
Number of Ophthalmic sessions held	256	Number of Ophthalmic sessions held	210	Number of Ophthalmic sessions held*	573
No. of Out-patients treated - New	4,523	No. of Out-patients treated - New	10,850	Number of Out-patients treated - New	8,589
Return	15,428	Return	24,611	Return	22,516
No. of Ophthalmic patients treated-New	620	No. of Ophthalmic patients treated-New	858	No. of Ophthalmic patients treated-New	1,717
Return	2,466	Return	1,547	Return	3,648
No. of Patients treated at A & E	15,747	No. of Patients treated at A & E	21,647	No. of Patients treated at A & E	26,131
Number of X-ray Examinations	42,759	Number of X-ray Examinations	57,141	Number of X-ray Examinations*	84,190
No. of Laboratory Tests carried out	668,736	No. of Laboratory Tests carried out	1,163,146	No. of Laboratory Tests carried out	1,605,790
No. of Anaesthetics administered	3,597	No. of Anaesthetics Administered	5,903	No. of Anaesthetics administered	4,570
Physiotherapy - inpatients treated	2,204	Physiotherapy - nu inpatient treated	2,925	Physiotherapy - inpatients treated	3,124
		Occupational Therapy - inpatients treated	998	Occupational Therapy - inpatients treated	499
				Attendances at Anti - Coagulant Clinics	5,010
NUMBER OF STAFF - WTE		NUMBER OF STAFF - WTE		NUMBER OF STAFF - WTE	
Number of staff by category		Number of staff by category		Number of staff by category	
Mgt/Admin	40.5	Mgt/Admin	73	Mgt/Admin	57.50
Medical	46.75	Medical	86	Medical	68.50
Nursing	125.79	Nursing	261	Nursing	194.93
Paramedical	30.05	Paramedical	64	Paramedical	54.50
Non-Nursing	68.72	Non-Nursing	150	Non-Nursing	104.54
Maintenance/other	5.00	Maintenance/other	17	Maintenance/other	13.00
Total	316.81	Total	651	Total	492.97
EXPENDITURE 2000		EXPENDITURE 2000		EXPENDITURE 2000	
	£m		£m		£m
Pay	10.803	Pay	17.720	Pay	15.66
Non-pay	3.875	Non-pay	7.074	Non-pay	6.34
Total (Gross)	14.678	Total (Gross)	24.794	Total (Gross)	22.00
Income	-1.501	Income	-2.273	Income	2.23
Total (nett)	13.177	Total (nett)	22.521	Total (nett)	19.77

* Includes activity for Athlone & Longford.

IN-PATIENT STATISTICS BY SPECIALTY - 2000

GENERAL HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE						
	SURGERY	MEDICINE	OBSTETRICS	GYNAECOLOGY	PAEDIATRICS	TOTALS
No. In-Patient Days	9,713	11,719	5,137	1,101	5,431	33,101
No. In-Patients Discharged	2,286	2,008	1,616	285	1,482	7,677
Average Length of Stay (Days)	4.25	5.84	3.18	3.86	3.66	4.31
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	1,735	85	6	147	2	1,975
Available Bed Days	13,176	15,738	9,516	1,464	7,320	47,214
Total Bed Days Used	11,448	11,804	5,143	1,248	5,433	35,076
% Bed Occupancy	73.72	74.46	53.98	75.20	74.19	70.11

GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE								
	ANAESTHETIC	DENTISTRY	RADIOLOGY	SURGERY	MEDICINE	E.N.T.	ORTHOPAEDICS	TOTALS
No. In-Patient Days	7	23	0	10,774	26,700	4,585	14,453	56,542
No. In-Patients Discharged	4	18	0	2,257	3,362	1,841	2,011	9,493
Average Length of Stay (Days)	1.75	1.27	0	4.77	7.94	2.49	7.18	5.96
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	26	429	6	1254	1,149	895	758	4,517
Available Bed Days	0	0	0	13,345	19,710	7,350	15,895	56,300
Total Bed Days Used	33	452	6	12,028	27,849	5,480	15,211	61,059
% Bed Occupancy				80.73	135.46	62.38	90.92	100.42

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL MULLINGAR						
	SURGERY	MEDICINE	OBSTETRICS	GYNAECOLOGY	PAEDIATRICS	TOTALS
No. In-Patient Days	11,567	27,407	8,407	3,332	4,381	55,094
No. In-Patients Discharged	2,897	4,179	2,189	1,064	1,756	12,085
Average Length of Stay (Days)	3.99	6.55	3.84	3.13	2.49	4.55
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	2,165	994	12	359	631	4,161
Available Bed Days	20,286	21,312	10,950	4,380	9,125	66,053
Total Bed Days Used	12,153	28,754	8,418	3,339	4,381	57,045
% Bed Occupancy	59.91	134.92	76.88	76.24	48.01	86.36

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 specialty to another.

DISCHARGES BY SPECIALITY 1995 - 2000

GENERAL HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE							
		1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Surgery	In -Patients	2,212	1,997	2,105	2,123	2,100	2,286
	Day Patients	1,642	1,678	1,653	1,686	1,647	1,735
Medicine	In -Patients	1,983	2,033	1,971	2,296	2,005	2,008
	Day Patients	55	35	54	44	59	85
Obstetrics	In -Patients	1,565	1,565	1,630	1,656	1,697	1,616
	Day Patients	2	4	10	3	0	6
Gynaecology	In -Patients	443	424	328	334	280	285
	Day Patients	132	100	157	156	138	147
Paediatrics	In -Patients	1,506	1,271	1,266	1,337	1,216	1,482
	Day Patients	2	7	2	1	2	2

GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE							
		1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Surgery	In -Patients	1,992	2,229	2,414	2,250	1,907	2,257
	Day Patients	819	918	986	928	1,145	1,254
Medicine	In -Patients	3,003	3,010	2,979	3,161	3,162	3,362
	Day Patients	1,117	1,114	1,112	1,180	1,121	1,149
E.N.T.	In -Patients	1,226	1,772	1,635	1,612	1,538	1,841
	Day Patients	282	290	312	374	412	895
Orthopaedics	In -Patients	1,810	1,697	1,756	1,847	1,959	2,011
	Day Patients	145	234	316	429	625	758

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL MULLINGAR							
		1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Surgery	In -Patients	2,941	3,064	3,597	3,355	2,703	2,897
	Day Patients	973	1,147	1,119	1,283	1,829	2,165
Medicine	In -Patients	3,478	3,619	3,955	4,185	4,060	4,179
	Day Patients	679	731	711	891	1,104	994
Obstetrics	In -Patients	1,730	1,694	1,824	1,891	2,108	2,189
	Day Patients	13	15	3	3	5	12
Gynaecology	In -Patients	882	942	875	792	755	1,064
	Day Patients	7	8	6	75	167	359
Paediatrics	In -Patients	1,806	1,540	1,750	1,903	1,466	1,756
	Day Patients	13	40	11	9	5	631

AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY BY SPECIALITY

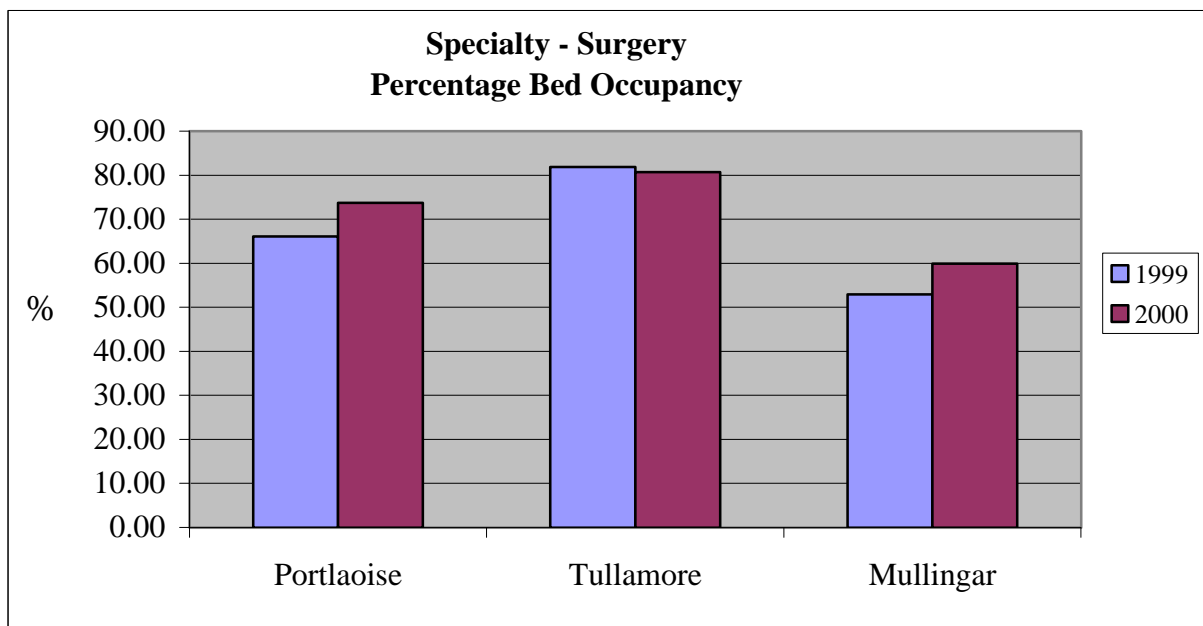
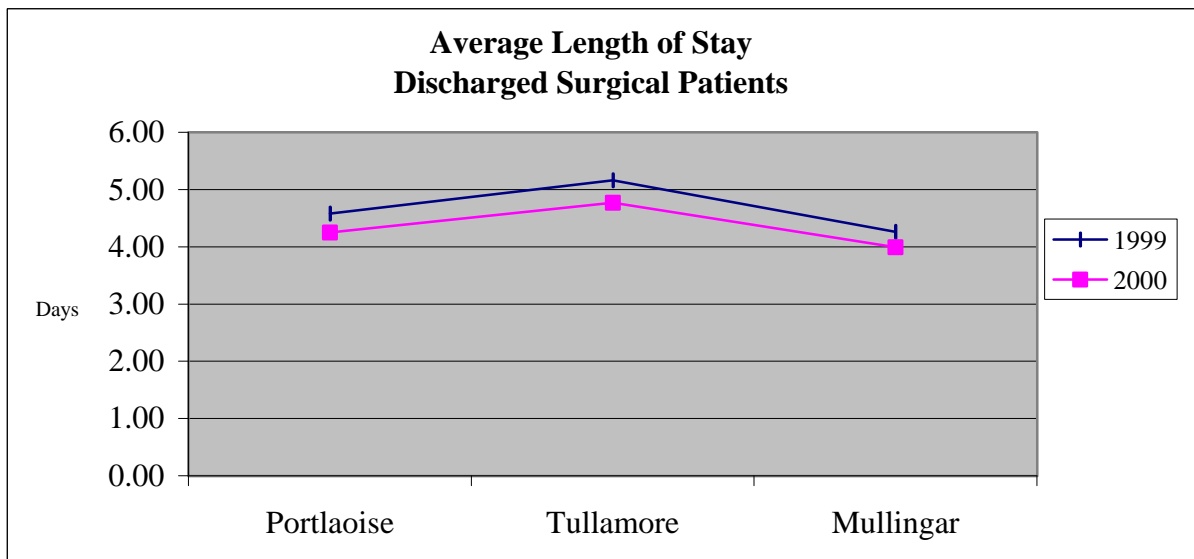
GENERAL HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE						
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Surgery	4.88	5.20	4.81	4.73	4.58	4.25
Medicine	5.81	5.86	6.40	5.96	6.01	5.84
Obstetrics	3.37	3.49	3.31	3.26	3.12	3.18
Gynaecology	3.25	2.76	3.72	3.79	3.78	3.86
Paediatrics	3.15	3.36	3.29	3.32	3.46	3.66

GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE						
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Surgery	5.16	4.25	5.00	4.85	5.16	4.77
Medicine	9.27	8.98	11.60	9.96	8.24	7.94
E.N.T.	2.62	4.30	2.73	2.91	2.82	2.49
Orthopaedics	7.85	7.72	7.71	6.92	7.41	7.18

LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL MULLINGAR						
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Surgery	4.66	4.55	4.15	4.03	4.26	3.99
Medicine	7.63	7.40	6.84	6.85	7.03	6.55
Obstetrics	4.39	4.28	4.42	4.39	4.18	3.84
Gynaecology	4.43	4.04	4.07	3.89	3.80	3.13
Paediatrics	2.78	2.82	2.76	2.54	2.69	2.49

SPECIALTY - SURGERY									
	PORTLAOISE			TULLAMORE			MULLINGAR		
	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	9,616	9,713	1.01	10,241	10,774	5.20	11,115	11,567	4.07
No. In - Patients Discharged	2,100	2,286	8.86	1,907	2,257	18.35	2,703	2,897	7.18
Average Length of Stay (days)	4.58	4.25	-7.21	5.16	4.77	-7.56	4.26	3.99	-6.34
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	1,647	1,735	5.34	1,145	1,254	9.52	1,829	2,165	18.37
Available Bed Days	17,048	13,176	-22.71	12,507	13,345	6.70	21,705	20,286	-6.54
Total Bed Days Used	11,263	11,448	1.64	10,241	12,028	17.45	11,486	12,153	5.81
% Bed Occupancy	66.07	73.72	11.58	81.88	80.73	-1.40	52.92	59.91	13.21

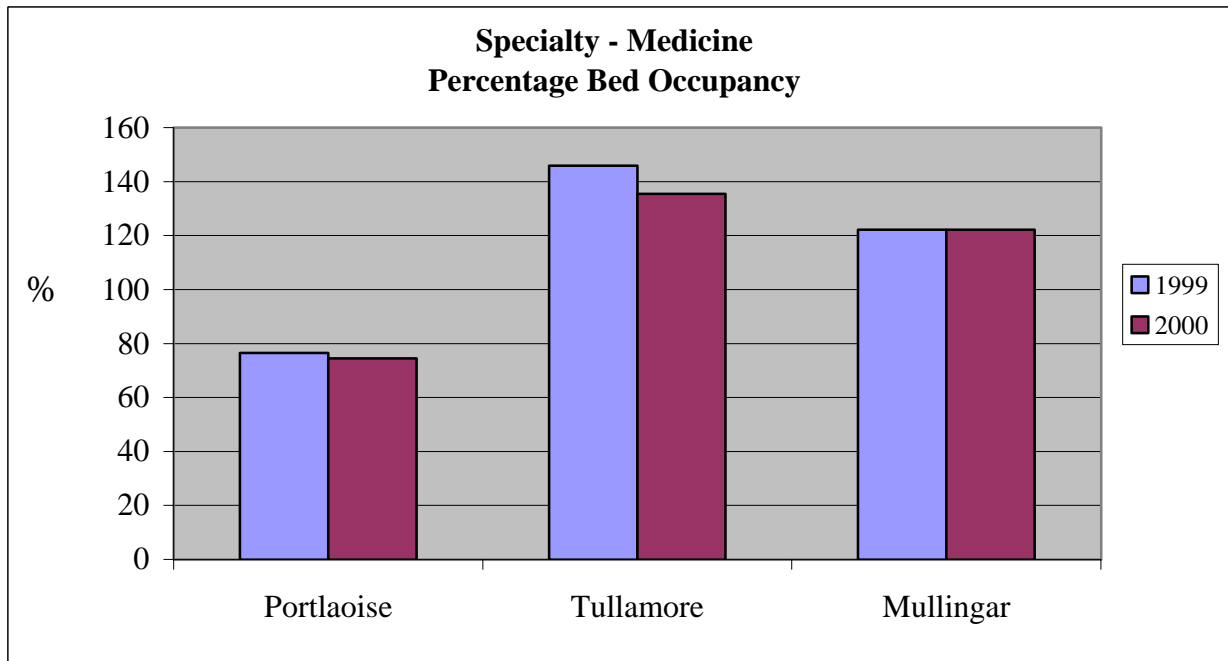
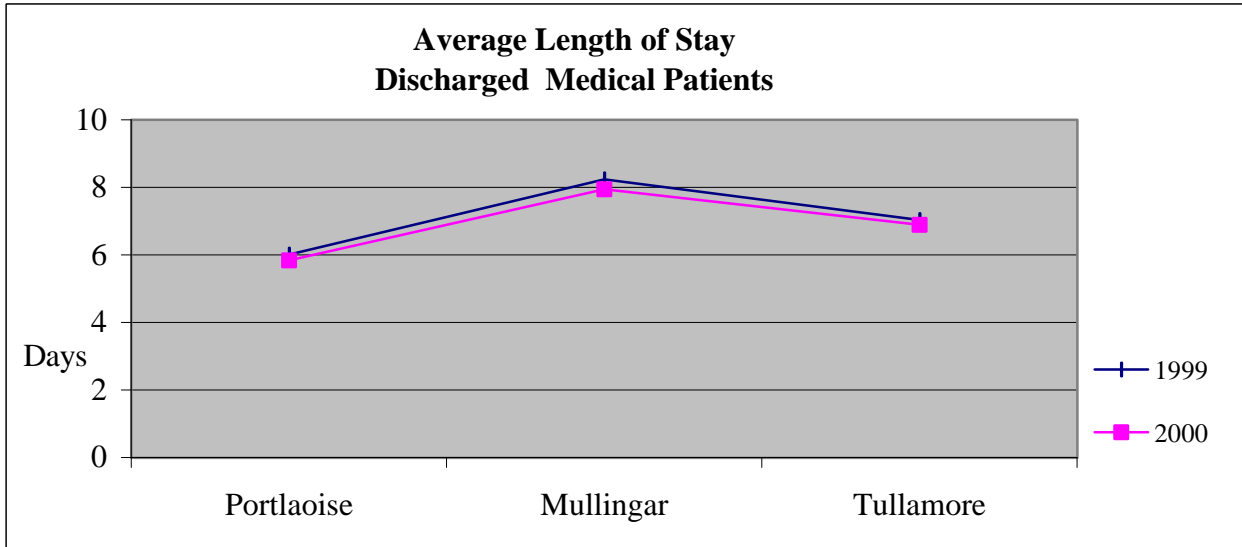
Note: When the demand for medical beds exceeds available beds, available surgical beds may be used for medical patients



	Portlaoise	Tullamore	Mullingar
1999	4.58	5.16	4.26
2000	4.25	4.77	3.99

	Portlaoise	Tullamore	Mullingar
1999	66.07	81.88	52.92
2000	73.72	80.73	59.91

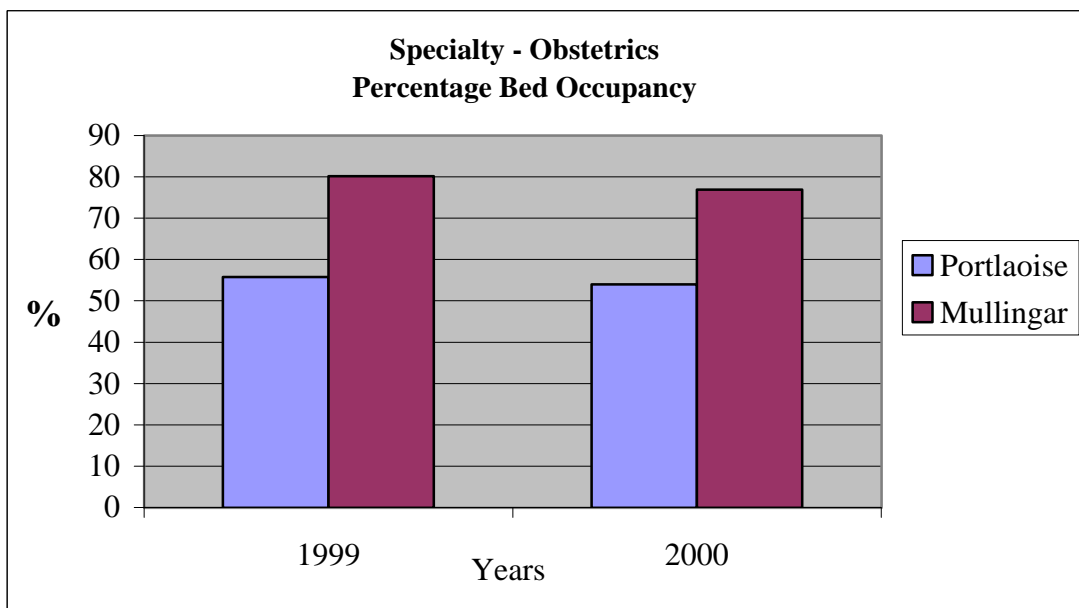
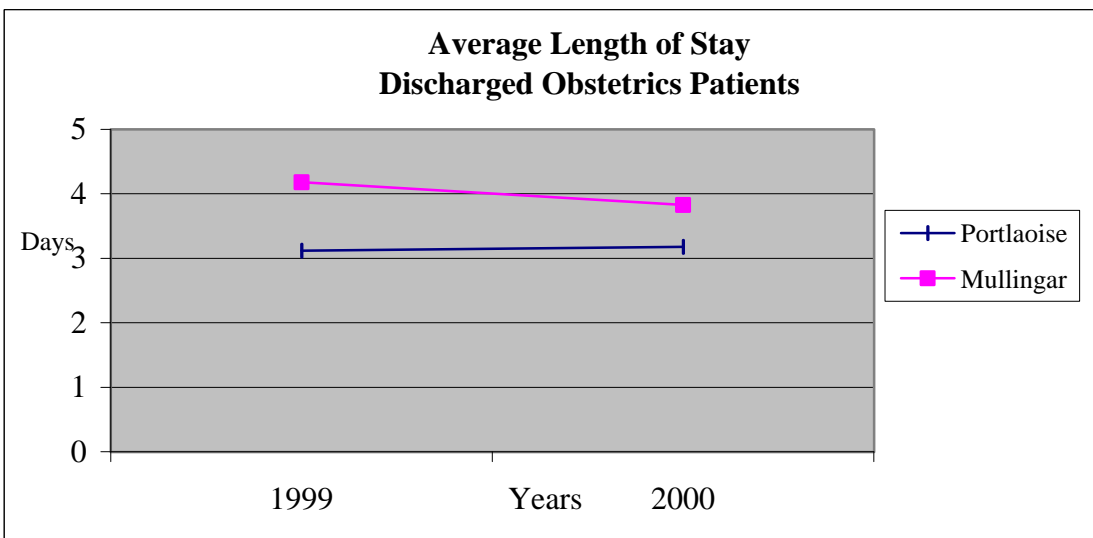
SPECIALTY - MEDICINE									
	PORTLOISE			TULLAMORE			MULLINGAR		
	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	12,057	11,719	-2.80	28,935	26,700	-7.72	26,963	27,407	1.65
No. In - Patients Discharged	2,005	2,008	0.15	3,162	3,362	6.33	4,060	4,179	2.93
Average Length of Stay (days)	6.01	5.84	-2.83	8.24	7.94	-3.64	7.03	6.89	-1.99
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	59	85	44.07	1,121	1,149	2.50	1104	994	-9.96
Available Bed Days	15,835	15,738	-0.61	19,839	19,710	-0.65	23,334	21,312	-8.67
Total Bed Days Used	12,116	11,804	-2.58	28,935	27,849	-3.75	28,500	28,754	0.89
% Bed Occupancy	76.51	74.46	-2.68	145.85	135.46	-7.12	122.14	122.14	0.00



	1999	2000
Portlaoise	6.01	5.84
Mullingar	8.24	7.94
Tullamore	7.03	6.89

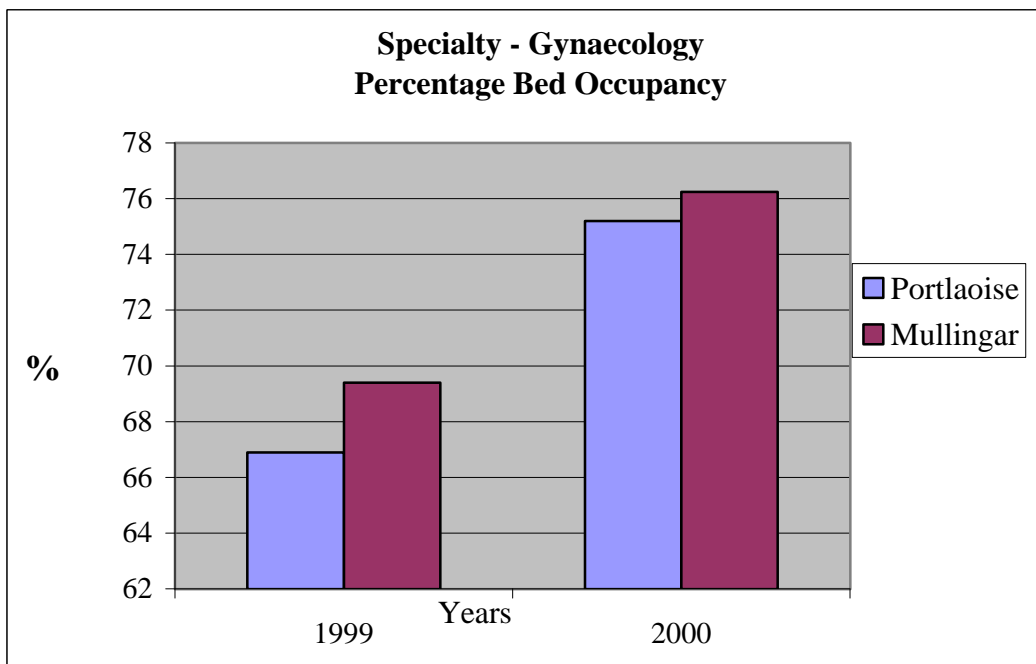
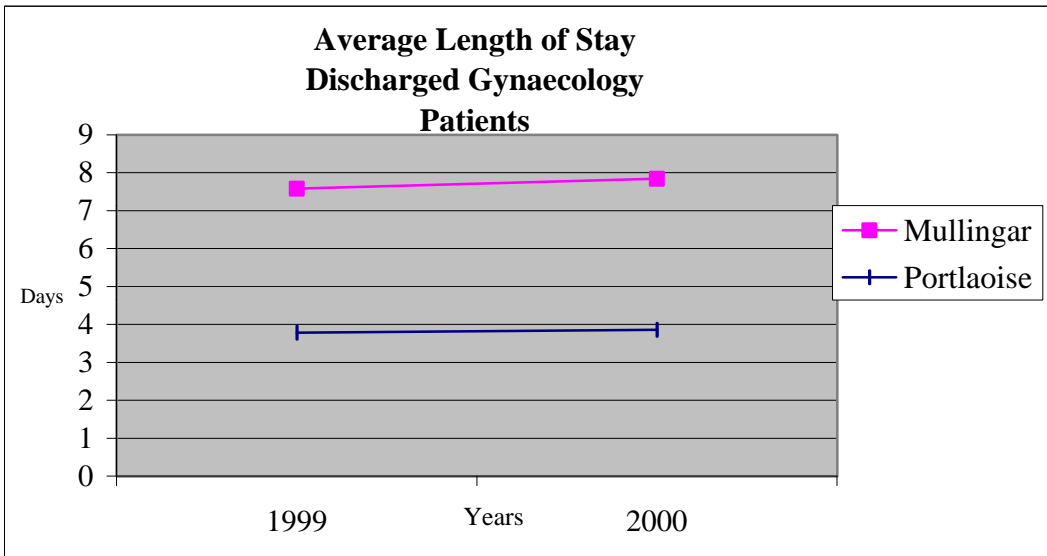
	Portlaoise	Tullamore	Mullingar
1999	76.51	145.85	122.14
2000	74.46	135.46	122.14

SPECIALTY - OBSTETRICS						
	PORTLAOISE			MULLINGAR		
	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	5,295	5,137	-2.98	8,769	8,407	-4.13
No. In - Patients Discharged	1,697	1,616	-4.77	2,108	2,189	3.84
Average Length of Stay (days)	3.12	3.18	1.92	4.18	3.83	-8.37
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	0	6	0.00	5	12	140.00
Available Bed Days	9,490	9,516	0.27	10,950	10,950	0.00
Total Bed Days Used	5,295	5,143	-2.87	8,778	8,418	-4.10
% Bed Occupancy	55.8	53.98	-3.26	80.16	76.88	-4.09
Number of Live Births	1,064	1040	-2.26	1,270	1,336	5.20
Number of Still Births	9	9	0.00	11	8	-27.27
Number of Neo-Natal Deaths	1	1	0.00	6	5	16.67



	1999	2000		1999	2000
Portlaoise	3.12	3.18	Portlaoise	55.8	53.98
Mullingar	4.18	3.83	Mullingar	80.16	76.88

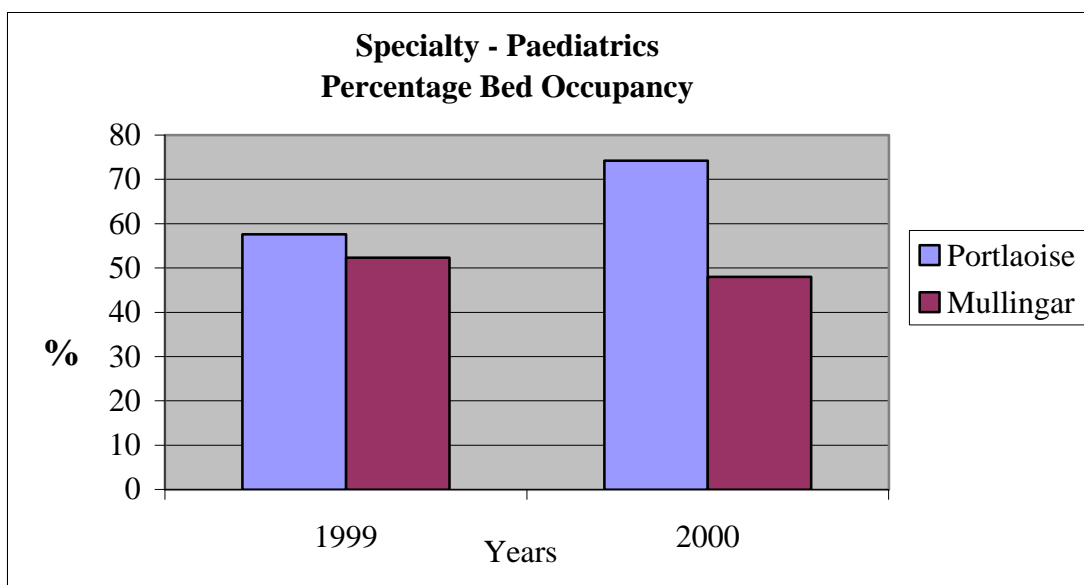
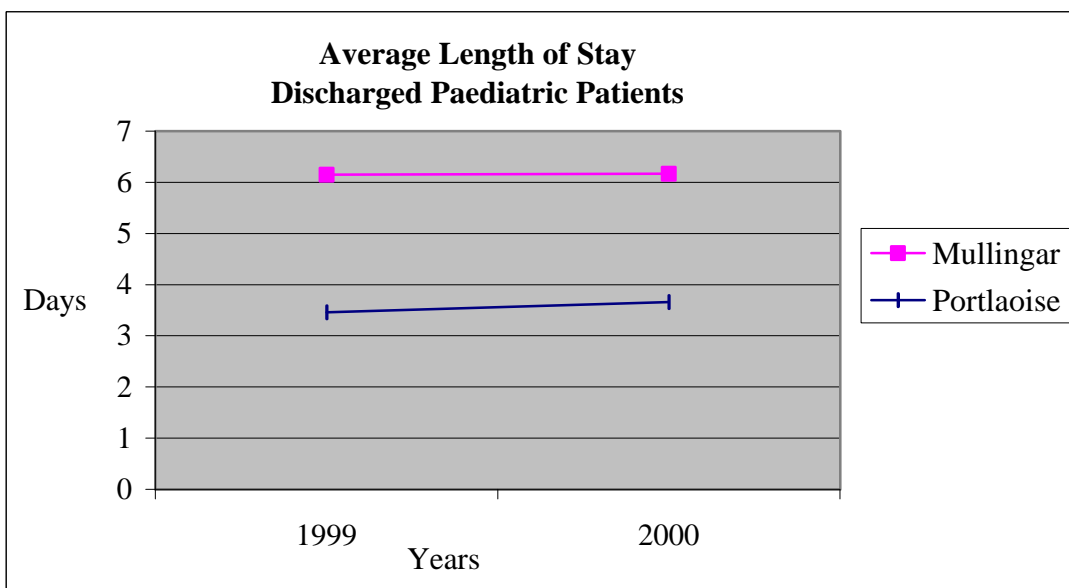
SPECIALTY - GYNAECOLOGY						
	PORTLAOISE			MULLINGAR		
	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	1,058	1,101	4.06	3,216	3,332	3.61
No. In - Patients Discharged	280	285	1.79	755	1064	40.93
Average Length of Stay (days)	3.78	3.86	2.12	3.8	3.98	4.74
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	138	147	6.52	167	359	114.97
Available Bed Days	1,788	1,464	-18.12	4,640	4,380	-5.60
Total Bed Days Used	1,196	1,248	4.35	3,220	3,339	3.70
% Bed Occupancy	66.89	75.2	12.42	69.40	76.24	9.86



	1999	2000		1999	2000
Portlaoise	3.78	3.86	Portlaoise	66.89	75.2
Mullingar	3.8	3.98	Mullingar	69.4	76.24

SPECIALTY - PAEDIATRICS						
	PORTLAOISE			MULLINGAR		
	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	4,204	5,431	29.19	3947	4381	11.00
No. In - Patients Discharged	1,216	1,482	21.86	1466	1756	19.78
Average Length of Stay (days)	3.46	3.66	5.78	2.69	2.51	-6.69
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	2	2	0.00	5	0	-100.00
Available Bed Days	7,304	7,320	0.22	7541	9125	21.01
Total Bed Days Used	4,206	5,433	29.17	3947	4381	11.00
% Bed Occupancy	57.59	74.19	28.82	52.34	48.01	-8.27
Day Care Activity*	2,281	3,065	34.37	552	631	14.31

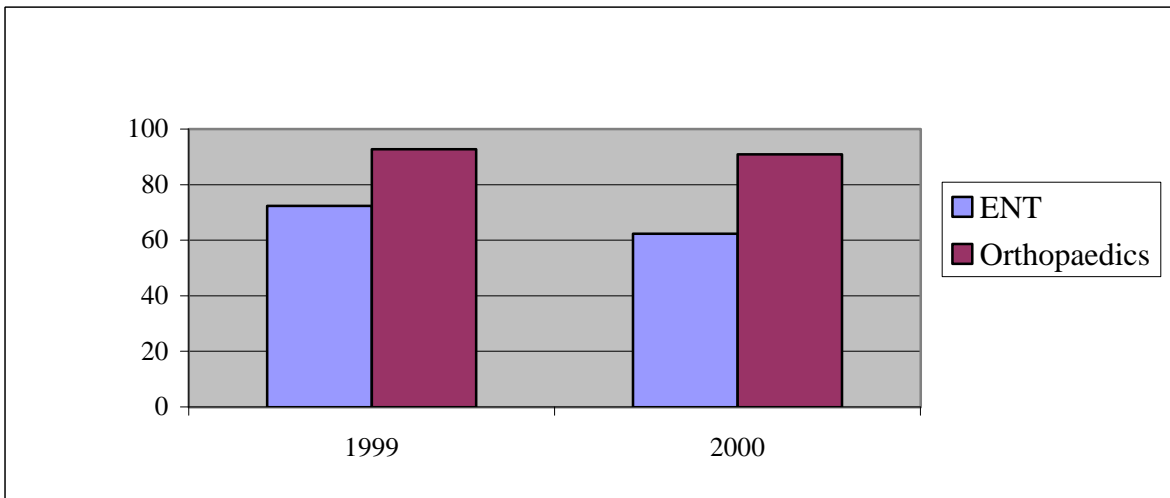
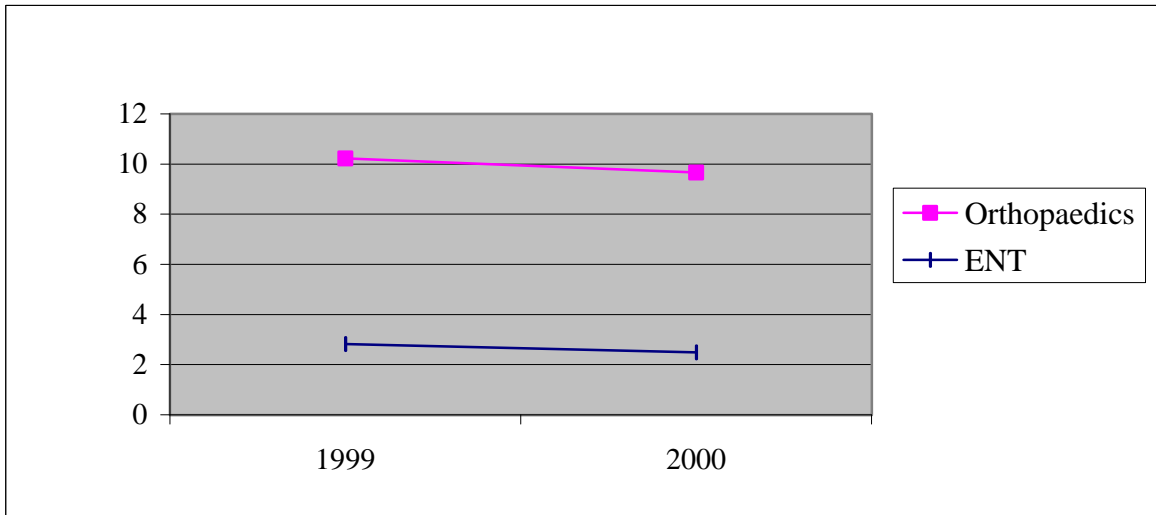
*Day Care Activity refers to children who received treatment in the Ward, but who were not admitted. This treatment was mainly of an urgent nature.



	1999	2000		1999	2000
Portlaoise	3.46	3.66	Portlaoise	57.59	74.19
Mullingar	2.69	2.51	Mullingar	52.34	48.01

SPECIALTY - ENT AND ORTHOPAEDICS						
	ENT			ORTHOPAEDICS		
	1999	2000	+/-%	1999	2000	+/-%
No. In - Patient Days	4,331	4,585	5.86	14,570	14,453	-0.80
No. In - Patients Discharged	1,538	1,841	19.70	1,959	2,011	2.65
Average Length of Stay (days)	2.82	2.49	-11.70	7.41	7.18	-3.10
No. Planned Day Patients Treated	412	895	117.23	625	758	21.28
Available Bed Days	6,927	7,350	6.11	15,707	15,895	1.20
Total Bed Days Used	5,014	5,480	9.29	14,570	15,211	4.40
% Bed Occupancy	72.38	62.38	-13.82	92.76	90.92	-1.98

	1999	2000	+/-%
Number of Total Hip replacement operations performed	192	254	32.29
Number of Knee Replacement operations performed	43	41	-4.65
Number of Upper Limb Procedures	828	838	1.21
Number of Lower Limb Procedures	968	1,054	8.88
Number of Back Epidural Manipulations	31	56	80.65
Number of Disectomies	31	22	-29.03



	1999	2000		1999	2000
ENT	2.82	2.49	ENT	72.38	62.38
Orthopaedics	7.41	7.18	Orthopaedics	92.76	90.92

ACTIVITY BY SPECIALTY - 2000 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.P. Shiels, Dr. H.J. O'Connor, Dr. P. Murphy (Geriatrician)
Longford/Westmeath Gen Hosp:	Dr. C. Quinlan, Dr. M. Donovan, Dr. S. Murphy (Geriatrician).

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Tullamore	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:	2,008	3,362	4,179
No of planned Day Patients treated:	85	1,149	994
Total	2,093	4,511	5,173

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	197	382	4,274	4,656
Tullamore*	298	1,028	4,975	6,003
Mullingar	243	890	3,944	4,834
Total	738	2,300	13,193	15,493

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 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. G. Nessim, Mr. D. Buckley

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Tullamore	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:	2,286	2,257	2,897
No of planned Day Patients treated:	1,735	1254	2,165
Total	4,021	3,511	5,062

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	199	1,458	3,743	5,201 (Incl. Breast Clinic)
Tullamore	231	1,762	1,946	3,708
Mullingar	288	2,975	5,214	8,189
Total	718	6,195	10,903	17,098

ACTIVITY BY SPECIALTY - 2000 OBSTETRICS/GYNAECOLOGY

There are two Obstetrics/Gynaecology Units in the region - at the General Hospital Portlaoise and the Longford/Westmeath, General Hospital, Mullingar. Out-patient services for the region are provided from these hospitals.

Consultant Obstetricians/Gynaecologists:

General Hospital Portlaoise:	Dr. J. Conway, Dr. J. Corristine
Longford/Westmeath Gen Hosp:	Dr. D. Mortell, Dr. M. Skelly, Dr. M. Gannon

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:	1,901	3,253
Obstetrics	1,616	2,189
Gynaecology	285	1,064
No of planned Day Patients treated:	153	371
Obstetrics	6	12
Gynaecology	147	359
Total	4,108	7,248
No. of Live Births	1,040	1,336
No. of Still Births	9	8
No. of Neo-Natal Deaths	1	8
*Patients seen on the ward but not admitted	1,584	N/A

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	276	1,373	3,419	4,792
Tullamore	159	640	1,978	2,618
Mullingar	193	1,700	4,840	7,410
Athlone	47	243	294	584
Longford	102	621	1,504	2,227
Total	777	4,577	12,035	17,631

PAEDIATRICS

There are two Paediatric Units in the region - at the General Hospital Portlaoise and the Longford/Westmeath General Hospital, Mullingar. Out-patient services for the region are provided from these hospitals.

Consultant Paediatricians:	General Hospital Portlaoise:	Dr. M. Conran, Dr. G.M. Nolan
	Longford/Westmeath Gen. Hospital:	Dr. T. Bate, Dr. I. Lambert, Dr. G. Prendeville.

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	Portlaoise	Mullingar
No of In-patients discharged:	1,482	1,756
No of planned Day Patients treated:	2	0
Sub-Total	1,484	1,756
Day Care Activity*	3065	631
Total	4,549	2,387
(*Patients seen on the ward but not admitted)	1	630

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	96	283	1,707	1,990
Tullamore	73	154	628	782
Mullingar	107	205	1,632	1,944
Athlone	47	119	278	444
Longford	88	214	871	1,173
Total	411	975	5,116	6,333

ACTIVITY BY SPECIALTY - 2000

OTOLARYNGOLOGY - ENT

Regional E.N.T. Services commenced in the Midland Health Board in 1998

The Regional Ear Nose and Throat Unit is situated at the General Hospital, Tullamore and has a dedicated ENT Theatre.

Out-patient services are provided throughout the region.

Consultant ENT Surgeons

Mr. K. O'Driscoll

Mr. H.S. Jones

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

Number of In-patients Discharged	1,841
Number of Planned Day Patients Treated	895
Total	2,736

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	51	507	515	1,022
Tullamore	243	1,733	4,395	6,128
Mullingar	46	406	524	930
Athlone	26	219	210	429
Longford	45	337	618	955
Total	411	3,202	6,262	9,464

ORTHOPAEDICS

The Regional Orthopaedic Unit is situated at the General Hospital, Tullamore

Out-patient services are provided throughout the region.

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeons

Mr. F. Thompson

Mr. D. Cogley

Mr. M. Glynn

Mr. Zaki (Temp)

IN-PATIENT ACTIVITY

No of In-patients discharged:	2,011
No of planned Day Patients treated:	758
Total	2,769

Theatre procedures

Number of Total Hip Replacements	254
Number of Knee Replacements	41
Number of Other Procedures	1,970

OUT-PATIENT ACTIVITY

	No. of Sessions	New Patients	Return	Total
Portlaoise	51	392	1,044	1,436
Tullamore	234	4,821	10,448	15,269
Mullingar	54	178	1,238	1,416
Athlone	34	303	863	1,166
Longford	33	179	486	665
Total	406	5,873	14,079	19,952

**COUNTY OR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OF
DISCHARGED PATIENTS - 2000**

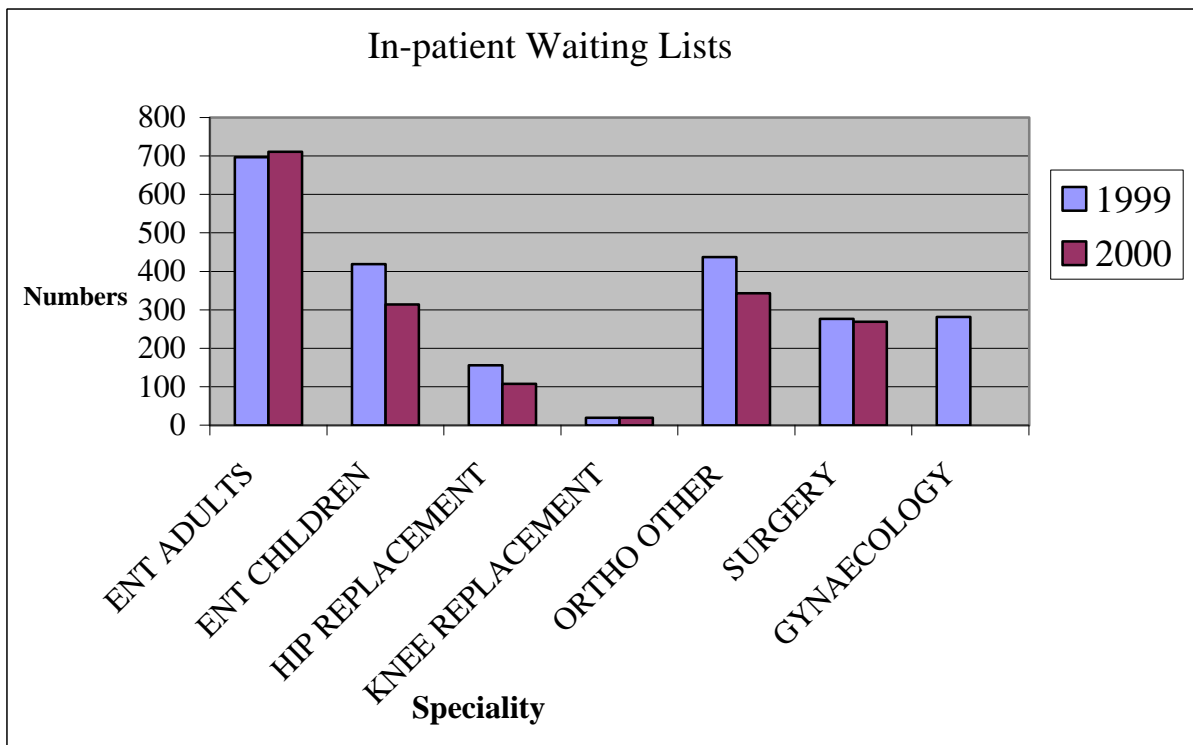
GENERAL/ACUTE HOSPITALS

	PORTLAOISE	TULLAMORE	MULLINGAR	TOTAL
DUBLIN	35	40	48	123
KILDARE	1,192	252	113	1,557
WICKLOW	6	6	5	17
LAOIS	6,732	1,761	24	8,517
LONGFORD	2	656	4,282	4,940
OFFALY	932	7,914	1,295	10,141
WESTMEATH	57	2,789	8,968	11,814
CLARE	7	20	3	30
LIMERICK	3	9	2	14
TIPPERARY N.R.	457	271	5	733
DONEGAL	1	2	6	9
SLIGO	1	-	7	8
LEITRIM		5	162	167
CAVAN	3	10	16	29
LOUTH	7	3	3	13
MEATH	8	31	508	547
MONAGHAN	1	5	3	9
CARLOW	139	46	2	187
KILKENNY	17	8	2	27
TIPPERARY S.R.	3	17	0	20
WATERFORD		2	0	2
WEXFORD	5	1	4	10
CORK	10	39	1	50
KERRY	1	6	2	9
GALWAY		50	15	65
MAYO	1	3	8	12
ROSCOMMON	1	38	100	138
N. IRELAND	4	8	8	20
OTHER	27	24	24	75
TOTAL	9,652	14,016	15616*	39,284

* Excludes Paediatric Day Cases (630)

Overall Total 16,246

IN-PATIENT WAITING LISTS 31st DECEMBER 2000			
	PORTLAOISE	MULLINGAR	TULLAMORE
	Number	Number	Number
SPECIALTY			
General Surgery (incl. Vascular)	138	-	131
General Medicine	-	-	-
Obstetrics	-	-	-
Gynaecology - General	-	-	-
Family Planning	-	-	-
Paediatrics	-	-	-
Orthopaedics	-	-	-
- Hip Replacements	-	-	107
- Knee Replacements	-	-	19
- Other	-	-	343
E.N.T.	-	-	-
Children - Tonsils/Adenoids	-	-	222
- Grommets	-	-	5
- Other	-	-	87
Adults	-	-	711



	1999	2000
ENT ADULTS	697	711
ENT CHILDREN	419	314
HIP REPLACEMENT	156	107
KNEE REPLACEMENT	19	19
ORTHO OTHER	437	343
SURGERY	276	269
GYNAECOLOGY	281	0

ACUTE HOSPITALS

ADMISSIONS - SOURCE OF REFERRAL - 1999-2000						
	PORTLAOISE		MULLINGAR		TULLAMORE	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Out-Patient Clinics	2,740	2,980	4697	7121	6,171	7,264
Direct G.P. Referral	1,782	1,459	1139	783	324	251
Road Traffic Accidents	72	74	170	155	148	120
Accident/Emergency	4,325	4,877	8051	7429	5,247	5,811
Other Hospitals	223	251	125	104	565	564
Totals	9,142	9,641	14,182	15,592	12,455	14,010

DISCHARGES - DESTINATION - 1999 - 2000						
	PORTLAOISE		MULLINGAR		TULLAMORE	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
Home	8,739	9,251	13,419	14,743	11,916	13,441
Other Acute Hospitals	183	164	322	288	148	156
District & Geriatric Hospitals (Region)	33	49	198	195	35	24
Other Institutions	32	56	85	121	115	110
Deaths	157	132	178	188	284	235
Self Discharge			84	81		43
Other			1	0		6
Totals	9,144	9,652	14,287	15,616	12,535	14,046

ATTENDANCES AT ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS

1990 - 2000

YEAR	FIRST ATTENDANCES	RECALL ATTENDANCES	TOTAL ATTENDANCES	ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL WARDS	REFERRED TO OTHER HOSPITAL
GENERAL HOSPITAL PORTLAOISE					
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
1997	12,167	574	12,741	2,259	502
1998	12,321	504	12,825	2,380	392
1999	13,450	445	13,895	2,540	452
2000	15,252	493	15,747	3,286	470
LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL MULLINGAR					
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
1997	18,390	2,961	21,351	8,062	576
1998	19,589	2,562	22,151	8,314	684
1999	21,310	3,721	25,031	7,255	940
2000	22,492	3,639	26,131	7,584	418
GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE					
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
1997	17,132	3,000	20,132	4,513	318
1998	18,360	3,750	22,110	4,919	348
1999	20,363	1,459	21,822	5,247	419
2000	21,142	505	21,647	5,605	412

**ATTENDANCES AT ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS
1999 - 2000**

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

1990	390	-	34
1991	434	15	25
1992	542	2	54
1993	770	3	55
1994	741	4	50
1995	564	2	45
1996	825	3	58
1997	268	3	30
1998	143	-	27
1999	215	6	29
2000	187		93

GENERAL PRACTITIONER CASUALTY UNIT, LONGFORD

1990	4,398	-	288
1991	5,277	5,341	501
1992	5,279	5,488	659
1993	4,938	5,316	601
1994	5,847	5,042	705
1995	6,754	5,220	847
1996	6,954	4,975	968
1997	7,612	4,805	1,068
1998	7,740	4,840	934
1999	7,936	3,938	964
2000	8,028	3,476	1,036

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

Consultant Anaesthetists	Tullamore	Dr. J. Billett, Dr. P. Dunkin, Dr. K. O'Loughlin, Dr. P. Scarlett, Dr. R. Musani (temp.), Dr. C. Morris (temp.)
	Mullingar	Dr. A. Bergin, Dr. R. McMahon, Dr. J. Porter
	Portlaoise	Dr. D. Cregan, Dr. B. Warde, Dr. A. Whitford

GENERAL ANAESTHETICS

HOSPITALS	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Portlaoise	1,812	1,874	1,927	2,273	2,032	1,889	1,898	1,831	1,558	1,764	1,813
Mullingar	2,646	2,671	2,701	2,450	2,578	2,500	2,607	2,299	2,390	2,465	2,778
Tullamore	2,400	2,481	2,631	2,376	2,485	2,953	3,252	3,232	3,098	3,086	3,559
Totals	6,858	7,026	7,259	7,099	7,095	7,342	7,757	7,362	7,046	7,315	8,150

LOCAL ANAESTHETICS

HOSPITALS	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Portlaoise	1,469	1,549	1,604	1,536	1,678	1,685	1,679	1,265	1,399	1,679	1,784
Mullingar	1,190	1,576	1,648	1,740	1,836	1,838	2,064	2,249	1,998	1,725	1,792
Tullamore	554	1,117	1,618	1,090	1,245	1,380	1,496	1,735	1,766	1,835	2,344
Totals	3,213	4,242	4,870	4,366	4,759	4,903	5,239	5,249	5,163	5,239	5,920

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 - 2000

Consultant Radiologists:

Tullamore Dr. P. Redmond, Dr. D. Carruthers

Mullingar Dr. M.L.G. Smith, Dr. H. Logan, Dr.J. Morris

Portlaoise Dr. J.C. Shanahan, Dr. M. Fitzgerald.

LOCATION	NUMBER OF X-RAY EXAMINATIONS		ULTRASOUND EXAMINATIONS		C.T. SCANS		TOTAL	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
MULLINGAR	44,104	49,679	6,701	8,049	2,497	3,153	53,302	60,881
ATHLONE	7,050	7,441	363	341			7,413	7,782
LONGFORD	16,694	15,527	0	0			16,694	15,527
PORTLAOISE	37,980	40,342	2,057	2,417			40,037	42,759
TULLAMORE	49,732	50,789	2,910	3,042	3,325	3,310	55,967	57,141
TOTALS	155,560	163,778	12,031	13,849	5,822	6,463	173,413	184,090

BREAKDOWN OF SPECIAL PROCEDURES

LOCATION	MAMMO	BARIUM	SMALL	BARIUM	CHOLECY-	I.V.	THEATRE	SPECIAL PROCEDURES	
	GRAMS	MEALS	BOWEL	ENEMAS	STOGRAMS	PYELO-	PROCEDURES	MINOR	MAJOR
			MEALS			GRAMS			
MULLINGAR	1,008	486	140	409	27	402	55	548	506
ATHLONE					1				
LONGFORD									
PORTLAOISE	722	100	28	246	13	202	9	232	214
TULLAMORE		183	40	297		223	1,815	283	389
TOTAL	1,730	769	208	952	41	827	1,879	1,063	1,109

LABORATORY SERVICES

Consultant Pathologists Dr. D. Gilsean
Dr. K. Cunnane

Laboratory	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Portlaoise	320,314	403,786	434,799	490,650	532,218	559,579	613,955	638,015	647,488	668,736
Mullingar	668,470	764,553	776,826	789,131	879,520	1,015,879	1,170,853	1,328,129	1,449,156	1,605,790
Tullamore	399,781	449,794	547,946	674,948	780,382	833,248	834,640	979,182	1,078,315	1,163,146
Totals	1,388,565	1,618,133	1,759,571	1,954,729	2,192,120	2,408,706	2,619,448	2,945,326	3,174,959	3,437,672

Breakdown of Tests

Laboratory	Year	Bio-Chemistry	Bacteriology	Histology	Haematology/Blood Transfusion	Other	Total
Portlaoise	1991	115,849	60,000	-	135,965	8,500	320,314
	1992	127,730	120,994	-	141,437	13,627	403,788
	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
	1997	204,337	184,300	-	199,869	25,449	613,955
	1998	214,692	185,200	-	208,656	29,467	638,015
	1999	225,462	184,195	-	208,103	29,728	647,488
	2000	232,456	187,494	-	214,030	34,756	668,736
Mullingar	1991	250,378	120,421	-	279,431	240	650,470
	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
	1997	558,101	163,533	-	449,065	154	1,170,853
	1998	695,255	167,742	-	465,003	129	1,328,129
	1999	781,624	171,548	-	495,828	156	1,449,156
	2000	879,947	171,772	-	553,921	150	1,605,790
Tullamore	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	547,948
	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
	1997	271,198	106,583	44,757	384,425	27,677	834,640
	1998	301,445	164,846	49,209	426,063	37,619	979,182
	1999	353,991	175,441	49,064	440,967	58,852	1,078,315
	2000	395,334	179,442	48,161	472,217	67,992	1,163,146

PHYSIOTHERAPY SERVICES - 2000

General Hospitals

LOCATION	In - Patients		Out - Patients	
	Number Treated	Treatments Given	Numbers Treated	Treatments Given
General Hospital Portlaoise	2,204	5,872	707	12,265
Longford/Westmeath General Hospital	3,124	9,745	1,320	5,985
General Hospital Tullamore	2,925	16,770	1,156	5,381
TOTAL	8,253	32,387	3,183	23,631

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES - 2000

General Hospitals

IN-PATIENTS	GENERAL HOSPITAL TULLAMORE		LONGFORD/WESTMEATH GENERAL HOSPITAL	
	1999	2000	1999	2000
No. In-Patients Treated	712	998	492	499
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	3567	6966	1638	1520
OUT-PATIENTS				
No. Out-Patients Treated	154	247	183	209
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	1014	1094	573	986
Units of Treatment - Group Therapy				
HOSPITAL SERVICES TO COMMUNITY CARE				
No. of Patients Treated	-	-	6	-
Units of Treatment - One to One Basis	-	-	25	-

ATTENDANCE AT OUT-PATIENT CLINICS - 2000

LOCATION	NO. OF SESSIONS	NEW PATIENTS		RETURN PATIENTS		WAITING LIST DEC. 2000	AVERAGE WAITING TIME
		NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION		
PORTLAOISE							
Medicine	197	382	4.00	4,274	35.00	85	3 months
Surgery	148	988	12.00	2,317	40.00	1,110	2 years
Gynaecology	86	565	12.00	760	26.00	57	2 months
Obstetrics	190	808	25.00	2,659	50.00	50	5 weeks
Paediatrics	96	283	4.00	1,707	35.00	36	2.5 months
Orthopaedics	51	392	10.00	1,044	40.00	117	4 months
Breast Clinic	51	470	11.00	1,426	30.00	12	2/3 weeks
E.N.T.	51	507	15.00	515	14.00	536	2 years
Oncology	48	117	2.00	717	15.00		
Haematology	4	11	4.00	9	5.00		
TOTAL	922	4,523	-	15,428	-	2,003	-
TULLAMORE							
Medicine	200	703	3.52	3,182	15.91	203	3-6 months
Surgery*	231	1,762	7.63	1,946	8.42	285	12-15 months
Gynaecology	63	302	4.79	423	6.71		
Obstetrics	96	338	3.52	1,555	16.20		
Paediatrics	73	154	2.11	628	8.60		
Orthopaedics	234	4,821	20.60	10,448	44.65	415	6-9 months
E.N.T.	243	1,733	7.13	4,395	18.09		
Geriatric Medicine	98	325	3.32	1,793	18.30		
Rheumatology	40	7	0.18	213	5.33		
Pain Control	7	26	3.71	9	1.29		
Haematology	4	14	3.50	19	4.75		
TOTAL	1,289	10,185		24,611		903	-
* Includes Out-Patient activity in Birr and Edenderry.							
MULLINGAR							
Medicine	151	596	4.00	3,466	23.00	165	12 weeks
Surgery	152	1,738	11.40	3,403	22.30	137	4 weeks
Gynaecology	96	877	9.00	1,712	18.00	110	7 weeks
Obstetrics	97	823	8.40	3,128	32.00	51.00	3 weeks
Paediatrics	107	205	2.00	1,632	15.20	77	13 weeks
Orthopaedics	54	178	3.20	1,238	23.00	192	14 weeks
E.N.T.	46	406	8.80	524	11.30	210	12 weeks
TOTAL	703	4,823	46.80	15,103	144.80	942	-
ATHLONE							
Medicine	30	89	3.00	92	3.00	8	4 - 6 weeks
Surgery	67	393	6.00	463	7.00	0	
Gynae/Obst.	47	243	5.00	294	6.00	0	
Paediatrics	47	119	2.50	278	6.00	0	
Orthopaedics	34	303	9.00	863	25.00	82	3.5 months
E.N.T.	26	219	8.40	210	8.00	161	6 -18 months
TOTAL	251	1,366	33.9	2,200	55	251	-
LONGFORD							
Medicine	62	205	3.50	386	6.20	50	2-4 months
Surgery	69	844	12.25	1,348	19.50	45	1 month
Gynae	102	428	4.00	478	4.60	10	2 weeks
Obst	102	193	2.00	1,026	10.00	6	2 weeks
Paediatrics	88	214	2.50	871	10.00	11	2-3 weeks
Orthopaedics	33	179	5.50	486	14.70	38	4 months
E.N.T.	45	337	7.50	618	13.70	110	6-7 months
TOTAL	501	2,400	37.25	5,213		270	-

**ATTENDANCE AT CLINICS HELD BY VISITING
OPHTHALMIC SURGEONS - 2000**

LOCATION	NO. OF SESSIONS	NEW PATIENTS		RETURN PATIENTS		AVERAGE	WAITING	AVERAGE
		NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NO. SEEN PER SESSION	LIST DEC 2000	WAITING TIME Dec-00
PORTLAOISE Ophthalmic	20	154	3.00	377	12.00	15	1083	2 years
TULLAMORE Ophthalmic	58	279	4.81	453	7.81	12.62	24	3-6 months
MULLINGAR Ophthalmic	106	317	2.99	592	5.59	8.58		
ATHLONE Ophthalmic	28	210	7.50	440	16.00	23.00	67	3 months
LONGFORD Ophthalmic	181	578	8.00	1190	16.00	10.00	290	5-6 months
TOTAL	373	1,538	23.30	3,052	45.40	54.20	381	

**ATTENDANCE AT CLINICS HELD BY COMMUNITY
OPHTHALMIC PHYSICIANS - 2000**

LOCATION	NO. OF SESSIONS	NEW PATIENTS		RETURN PATIENTS		AVERAGE	WAITING	AVERAGE
		NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NUMBER	AVERAGE PER SESSION	NO. SEEN PER SESSION	LIST DEC 2000	WAITING TIME Dec-00
PORTLAOISE Ophthalmic	236	466	4.00	2089	11.00	15		
TULLAMORE Ophthalmic	152	579	3.81	1,094	7.20	1101	787	9-12 months
MULLINGAR Ophthalmic	258	612	2.30	1426	5.50	7.80	136	2 months
TOTAL	1,412	4,733	3.35	10,713	7.59	10.94	88	