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1.1 Wednesday 1/17/24

- We study history through geography which can be messy due to changing borders

- Ireland is a simple, single geographical area

- The island is split between Northern Ireland (UK) and the Republic of Ireland (EU)

- Northern Ireland

    - The North of Ireland
    - The North
    - Ulster
    - The Six Counties

- Ireland

    - The Irish Free State/Saorstát Éireann
    - Éire
    - The Republic of Ireland
    - The Irish Republic
    - The South
    - The 26 Counties

- The further west you go, the less dense the population becomes

- Ireland is officially bilingual

- Who and Where and the "Irish Nation"

    - The Irish nation is a quasi-geographical term, but it resists any simple geographical definition

- – And we are not studying "Ireland", the geographical space, we are studying "Ireland", the demographic, social, economic, political, and cultural phenomenon
- – "Irish" history is inseparable from "British" history
- – By 1860, the most Irish city in the world, by population, was New York
- – today $\frac{1}{5}$ of the population of "Ireland" were not born on the island of Ireland
- – Ireland, for the entirety of our period, was a part of global capitalism, part of broader trends in European and global politics and culture
- – "Ireland" is fluid and messy