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Western Europe

▼ Overall Performance

Index score

70.6

SDG Rank

Ireland

16/34

▼ Performance by SDG

Ireland
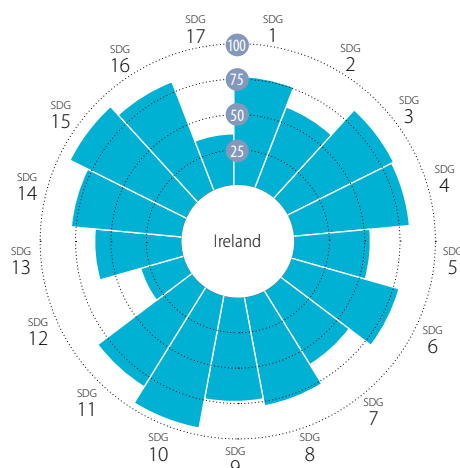
▼ SDG Dashboards and Trends

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1 NO POVERTY ⬆	2 ZERO HUNGER ⬇	3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING ↗	4 QUALITY EDUCATION ⬆
5 GENDER EQUALITY ↗	6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION ↗	7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY ↗	8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH ⬆
9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE ↗	10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES ⬆	11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES ↗	12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION ⬇
13 CLIMATE ACTION →	14 LIFE BELOW WATER →	15 LIFE ON LAND ↗	16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS ↗
17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS →			

■ Major challenges ■ Significant challenges ■ Challenges remain ■ SDG achieved ■ Information unavailable

⬇ Decreasing → Stagnating ↗ Moderately improving ⬆ On track or maintaining SDG achievement ● Information unavailable

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▼ Leave No One Behind Index

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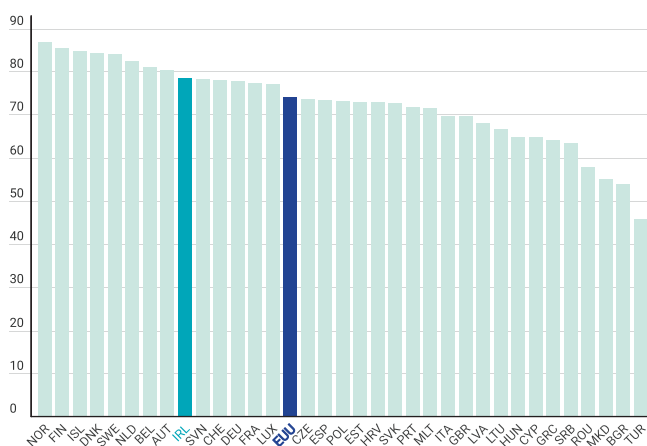
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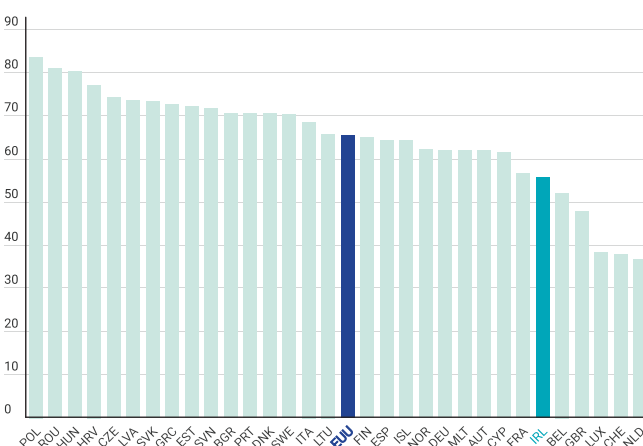https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/topics/sustainabledevelopmentgoals. Detailed results and methodology available online at https://www.sdgindex.org/EU

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Performance by Indicator

SDG1 – No Poverty

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
People at risk of income poverty after social transfers (%)	13.1	2019	green	↑
Severely materially deprived people (%)	5.4	2019	yellow	↑
Poverty headcount ratio at $5.50/day (%)	0.3	2021	green	↑

SDG2 – Zero Hunger

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Prevalence of obesity, BMI ≥ 30 (% of adult population)	25.9	2019	red	↓
Human Trophic Level (best 2–3 worst)	2.40	2017	orange	↗
Yield gap closure (%)	74.5	2015	yellow	●
Gross nitrogen balance on agricultural land (kg/hectare)	62.3	2017	yellow	↓
Ammonia emissions from agriculture (kg/hectare)	26.1	2018	yellow	→
Exports of pesticides banned in the EU (kg per 1,000 population)	0.0	2019	green	●

SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Life expectancy at birth (years)	82.8	2019	green	↑
Gap in life expectancy at birth among regions (years)	0.6	2019	green	↑
Population with good or very good perceived health (% of population aged 16 or over)	84.0	2019	green	↑
Gap in self-reported health, by income (p.p.)	21.3	2019	yellow	↓
Gap in self-reported unmet need for medical examination and care, by income (p.p.)	2.3	2019	green	↑
New reported cases of tuberculosis (per 100,000 population)	5.8	2019	green	↑
Standardised preventable and treatable mortality (per 100,000 population aged less than 75)	208.0	2018	green	↑
Suicide rate (per 100,000 population)	9.4	2018	green	↑
Age-standardised death rate attributable to household air pollution and ambient air pollution (per 100,000 population)	12	2016	green	●
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	3.3	2019	green	↑
People killed in road accidents (per 100,000 population)	2.8	2019	green	↑
Surviving infants who received 2 WHO-recommended vaccines (%)	91	2019	green	↑
Population engaging in heavy, episodic drinking at least once a week (%)	5.6	2019	yellow	↑
Smoking prevalence (%)	18	2020	green	↑
People covered by health insurance for a core set of services (%)	100.0	2020	green	↑
Share of total health spending financed by out-of-pocket payments (%)	22.9	2020	green	↑
Subjective Wellbeing (average ladder score, worst 0–10 best)	6.8	2021	green	↑
Individuals that use the internet to make appointments with a practitioner (%)	15	2020	orange	↑

SDG4 – Quality Education

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Participation in early childhood education (% of children between age of 3 and starting age of compulsory primary education)	100.0	2019	green	↑
Early leavers from education and training (% of population aged 18 to 24)	5.0	2020	green	↑
PISA score (worst 0–600 best)	504.7	2018	green	↑
Underachievers in science (% of population aged 15)	17.0	2018	green	↑
Variation in science performance explained by students' socio-economic status (%)	11.1	2018	yellow	↑
Tertiary educational attainment (% of population aged 25 to 34)	58.4	2020	green	↑
Adult participation in learning (%)	11.0	2020	green	↑

SDG5 – Gender Equality

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Unadjusted gender pay gap (% of gross male earnings)	11.3	2018	green	↑
Gender employment gap (p.p.)	12.1	2020	yellow	→
Population inactive due to caring responsibilities (% of population aged 20 to 64)	32.5	2020	yellow	↑
Seats held by women in national parliaments (%)	27.3	2020	orange	↑
Positions held by women in senior management positions (%)	28.8	2020	yellow	↑
Proportion of ICT specialists that are women (%)	20.7	2020	yellow	→

SDG6 – Clean Water and Sanitation

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population having neither a bath, nor a shower, nor indoor flushing toilet in their household (%)	0.1	2019	green	↑
Population connected to at least secondary wastewater treatment (%)	61.2	2017	yellow	→
Freshwater abstraction (% of long-term average available water)	3.0	2017	green	↑
Scarce water consumption embodied in imports (m³/capita)	39.3	2013	orange	↗
Population using safely managed water services (%)	97.3	2020	green	↑
Population using safely managed sanitation services (%)	82.9	2020	yellow	↑

SDG7 – Affordable and Clean Energy

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population unable to keep home adequately warm (%)	4.9	2019	yellow	↑
Share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption (%)	12.0	2019	orange	↗
CO₂ emissions from fuel combustion per electricity output (MtCO₂/TWh)	1.2	2019	yellow	↑

SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Protection of fundamental labour rights (worst 0–1 best)	0.82	2020	green	●
Gross disposable income (€/capita)	22,541	2019	green	↑
Youth not in employment, education or training (NEET) (% of population aged 15 to 29)	14.2	2020	orange	↑
Unemployment Rate (% labour force)	5.7	2020	yellow	↑

SDG8 – (continued)

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
People killed in accidents at work (per 100,000 population)	1.8	2019	green	↑
In work at-risk-of-poverty rate (%)	4.3	2019	green	↑
Fatal work-related accidents embodied in imports (per 100,000 population)	1.4	2015	green	↑

SDG9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (% of GDP)	0.8	2019	red	↓
R&D personnel (% of active population)	1.6	2019	green	↑
Patent applications to the European Patent Office (per 1,000,000 population)	196.4	2020	green	↑
Households with broadband access (%)	92	2020	green	↑
Gap in internet access, urban vs rural areas (p.p.)	2	2020	green	↑
Individuals aged 55 to 74 years old who have basic or above basic digital skills (%)	29	2019	yellow	↑
Logistics performance index: Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure (worst 1–5 best)	3.3	2018	green	↑
The Times Higher Education Universities Ranking: Average score of top 3 universities (worst 0–100 best)	53.0	2021	yellow	●
Scientific and technical journal articles (per 1,000 population)	1.5	2018	green	↑

SDG10 – Reduced Inequalities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Gini Coefficient	28.3	2019	green	↑
Palma ratio	1.07	2018	yellow	↑

SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Urban population without access to green urban areas in their neighbourhood (%)	5.7	2018	yellow	→
Overcrowding rate among people living with below 60% of median equivalized income (%)	5.9	2019	green	↑
Recycling rate of municipal waste (%)	37.6	2018	yellow	↓
Population living in a dwelling with a leaking roof, damp walls, floors or foundation or rot in window frames or floor (%)	12.5	2019	green	↑
Exposure to air pollution: PM2.5 in urban areas (μg/m³)	8.8	2019	green	↑

SDG12 – Responsible Consumption and Production

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Circular material use rate (%)	1.6	2019	red	↓
Gross value added in environmental goods and services sector	0.9	2018	red	→
Production-based SO₂ emissions (kg/capita)	107.0	2015	orange	→
Imported SO₂ emissions (kg/capita)	40.6	2015	orange	↓
Production-based emissions of reactive nitrogen (kg/capita)	57.3	2015	red	↓
Imported emissions of reactive nitrogen (kg/capita)	13.6	2015	orange	↓

SDG13 – Climate Action

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion and cement production (tCO₂/capita)	7.6	2019	red	→
CO₂ emissions embodied in imports (tCO₂/capita)	2.8	2015	orange	→
CO₂ emissions embodied in fossil fuel exports (kg/capita)	29.6	2020	green	●

SDG14 – Life Below Water

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Bathing sites of excellent quality (%)	72.8	2019	yellow	↓
Fish caught from overexploited or collapsed stocks (% of total catch)	25.2	2018	red	↑
Fish caught by bottom trawling or dredging (%)	8.6	2018	yellow	↓
Fish caught that are then discarded (%)	10.6	2018	orange	→
Marine biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.1	2018	green	●
Mean area that is protected in marine sites important to biodiversity (%)	81.9	2020	yellow	↑

SDG15 – Life on Land

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Mean area that is protected in terrestrial sites important to biodiversity (%)	80.7	2020	yellow	↗
Mean area that is protected in freshwater sites important to biodiversity (%)	98.6	2020	yellow	↑
Biochemical oxygen demand in rivers (mg O₂/litre)	0.9	2018	green	↑
Nitrate in groundwater (mg NO₃/litre)	12.7	2018	green	↑
Red List Index of species survival (worst 0–1 best)	0.92	2021	red	↓
Terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	1.7	2018	yellow	●

SDG16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Death rate due to homicide (per 100,000 population)	0.5	2018	green	↑
Population reporting crime in their area (%)	8.8	2019	green	↑
Gap in population reporting crime in their area, by income (p.p.)	5.2	2019	yellow	↓
Access to justice (worst 0–1 best)	0.62	2020	yellow	●
Timeliness of administrative proceedings (worst 0–1 best)	0.63	2020	yellow	●
Constraints on government power (worst 0–1 best)	0.82	2020	green	●
Corruption Perceptions Index (worst 0–100 best)	72	2020	green	↑
Unsentenced detainees (% of prison population)	18.7	2018	green	↑
Exports of major conventional weapons (TIV constant 1990 million USD per 100,000 population)	0.37	2015	green	↑
Press Freedom Index (best 0–100 worst)	11.9	2021	green	↑

SDG17 – Partnerships for the Goals

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Official development assistance (% of GNI)	0.31	2020	red	↓
Shifted profits of multinationals (billion USD)	-126.4	2018	red	↓
Corporate Tax Haven Score (best 0–100 worst)	77	2021	red	●
Statistical Performance Index (worst 0–100 best)	87.0	2019	green	↑