

Environmental Protection Agency - Key Statistics in 2012



OVER
1,200

INSPECTIONS AND AUDITS
UNDERTAKEN BY THE EPA



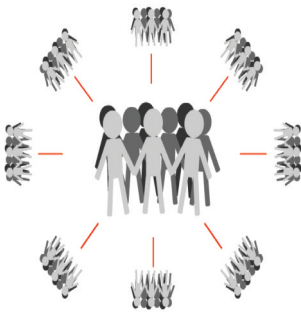
OVER
24,000

SAMPLES ANALYSED
FROM IRISH RIVERS,
LAKES, ESTUARIES,
GROUNDWATERS AND
LICENSED SITES



16+1

PROSECUTIONS SUCCESSFULLY TAKEN IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
PLUS ONE ON INDICTMENT BY THE DPP IN THE HIGH COURT



OVER **1,000**
STAFF FROM MORE THAN
50 AGENCIES
PARTICIPATED IN *NIECE*,
THE NATIONAL NETWORK FOR
IRELAND'S ENVIRONMENTAL
COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT



€8.76m

VALUE OF GRANT PAYMENTS MADE BY
EPA FOR NEW AND EXISTING RESEARCH



137

LICENCES ISSUED IN 2012



230

TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT REQUESTS PROCESSED



€1.2m

EPA INVESTMENT IN *BEGREEN*
RESOURCE EFFICIENCY PROGRAMMES
IN 2012



€16.5m

2012 SAVINGS FOR IRISH BUSINESSES,
PUBLIC SECTOR AND HOMES THROUGH
EPA *BEGREEN*. ALSO SAVED ENERGY &
WATER AND PREVENTED WASTE



25%

OF ALL IRISH HOTEL BEDS PARTICIPATED IN
GREEN HOSPITALITY PROGRAMME

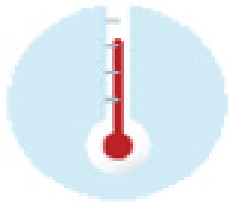


50%

OF ALL NATIONAL ACUTE BEDS PARTICIPATED
IN *GREEN HEALTHCARE PROGRAMME*

Environmental Indicators

A selection of key environmental indicators for Ireland is presented below, with the environmental status/trend of each. Visit www.epa.ie/irelandsenvironment/environmentalindicatorsdashboard to explore in more detail and view the relevant up-to-date data.



Climate Change Indicators

Status/Trend

- Greenhouse Gas Emissions - Kyoto Protocol Limit
- Greenhouse Gas Projections to 2020
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Sector
- Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide Levels



Air Indicators

Status/Trend

- Air Quality – Nitrogen Dioxide
- Air Quality – Particulate Matter
- Air Quality – Ground Level Ozone
- Air Emissions – Nitrogen Oxides



Water Indicators

Status/Trend

- Groundwater Quality
- River Water Quality
- High Quality River Sites
- Lake Water Quality
- Estuarine and Coastal Water Quality
- Urban Wastewater Treatment



Waste Indicators

Status/Trend

- Recovery and Disposal of Municipal Waste
- Recovery of Packaging Waste
- Biodegradable Waste Diversion from Landfill
- Predicted Growth in Municipal Waste



Nature Indicators

Status/Trend

- Countryside Bird Populations
- Conservation Status of Listed Habitats
- Conservation Status of Listed Species
- Threatened Species



Environment and Health Indicators

Status/Trend

- Drinking Water Quality
- Bathing Water Quality

