

# Ireland



## Country indicators

Population (000s)*	4'627	Life expectancy at birth (years) <sup>a</sup>	81	World Bank income group <sup>β</sup>	High
Internet users (%) <sup>γ</sup>	78.2%	Per capita total health expenditure (PPP Int \$) <sup>δ</sup>	3529	GNI per capita (US\$) <sup>ε</sup>	43'110



## National policy on health technology

Health technology (medical device) national policy: No

Web site: —

Language(s): —

MOH responsible for health technology policy implementation: —



## Regulatory agency

Authority responsible for implementing and enforcing regulations in your country: Yes

Name of principal institution: Irish Medicines Board

Web site: <http://www.imb.ie>



## National health technology assessment unit

Unit/department: Health Information and Quality Authority

Web site: <http://www.hiqa.ie/>



## National health technology management units

National health technology unit(s): Yes

### DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR PROCUREMENT PROCESS:

Unit/department: HSE/Procurement, Portfolio & Category Management

Web site: <http://www.hse.ie>

**OTHER:** —

Unit/department: —

Web site: —

**OTHER:** Medical Equipment Management Policy

Unit/department: Health Service Executive

Web site: <http://www.hse.ie>



## Medical device nomenclature system

Official nomenclature system for medical devices: Yes Type: Based on GMDN (Global Medical Device Nomenclature)

Use: Not specified

Nomenclature system name: — Web site: —



## Medical device incorporation

### PROCUREMENT

Policy or guideline: Yes

Web site: <http://www.hse.ie/eng/>

National level procurement: Yes

Web site: <http://www.hse.ie/eng/about/Procurement/Contactus/>

### DONATIONS

Policy or guideline: Yes

Web site: <http://www.hse.ie>

### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Technical specifications to support procurement or donations: Yes, but not publically available

Web site: —

### Medical device incorporation comments<sup>λ</sup>:

Portfolio & Category Management approach involves development of medical devices/equipment procurement strategies at national level and facilitating regional and local decision making consistent with these strategies and accompanying procedures. Go to website and search for: services/Publications/corporate/procurementpolicy.pdf



## Inventory and maintenance

Type of inventories available: —

**Comments:** No national inventories available to date. Inventories of medical equipment (including functional inventories) are maintained at a local level. Often there are separate asset management and medical equipment management inventories. There is now an initiative to compile this data into regional/national inventories in the near future.

Medical equipment management unit: Yes

National level = 1

Regional level = 4

Hospital level = 25

Management software: Yes

Software and comments<sup>λ</sup>: No common software - a variety of systems including HEX, SAP, MS Access are employed



## Lists of medical devices

### LISTS OF APPROVED MEDICAL DEVICES FOR PUBLIC PROCUREMENT OR REIMBURSEMENT:

Lists available: Yes

Unit: There is a list in operation for Primary Care Reimbursement.

Web site: —

### NATIONAL LISTS OF MEDICAL DEVICES FOR DIFFERENT TYPES OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES OR SPECIFIC PROCEDURES:

Lists available: For different healthcare facilities

Web site - facilities: —

Web site - procedures: —

### NATIONAL LIST FOR DISEASES AND SITUATIONS:

Lists available: One or more

Web site: —

### Lists comments<sup>λ</sup>:

Hospital Equipping System has an inventory of standard rooms e.g. Emergency Department Resuscitation Room with schedule of associated equipment required to operate. There are also several National Framework Agreement contracts for the supply of medical devices/equipment. List of reimbursable devices from PCRS available at [www.pcrs.ie](http://www.pcrs.ie) -> online services -> list of reimbursable

Types:	Communicable diseases	Non-communicable diseases	Injuries	Public health emergency situations	x
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## Healthcare facility

	Public sector	Private sector	Total	Density per 100,000 population
Health post	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Health centre	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
District hospital	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Provincial hospital	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Regional hospital	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a



## Medical equipment

	Public sector	Private sector	Total	Density per 1,000,000 population
Magnetic Resonance Imaging	9	n/a	9	1.945
Computerized Tomography Scanner	21	n/a	21	4.538
Positron Emission Tomography Scanner	2	n/a	2	0.432
Nuclear medicine	14	n/a	14	3.026
Mammograph*	11	n/a	11	23.195
Linear accelerator	17	n/a	17	3.674
Telecobalt unit (Cobalt-60)	1	n/a	1	0.216
Radiotherapy	18	n/a	18	3.890

\* Density per 1,000,000 females aged from 50-69 old.

## Additional information and comments<sup>λ</sup>:

Concerning infrastructure section: the breakdown of infrastructures does not match to our public sector.

\* UNPD as of 1 July 2012 (2013 update)

α WHO 2012 data

β WB 2014 classification

γ WB 2013 data (2014 update)

δ WHO 2012 data

ε WB 2013 (2014 update)

n/a not applicable

λ The full text can be found at [www.who.int/medical\\_devices/countries/full\\_text.xls](http://www.who.int/medical_devices/countries/full_text.xls)