

# IRELAND





# Why Ireland?

- Welcoming, Good humored, down to earth people
- Island of Saints and Scholars
- Safe and secure
- High Standard of Living
- Great Health Care

# At A Glance

- **Residency Visas**
  - Self Sufficiency Visa (Stamp 0) : Must show income of €50,000
  - Golden Visa : Min Investment €500,000
- **Health Care**
  - Excellent Healthcare
  - Public and Private options (Get insurance and go Private)
- **Ease of Access**
  - 5 International Airports:
  - Direct Flights from USA, and most European countries.
  - No visa required for up to 90 day stay for most people

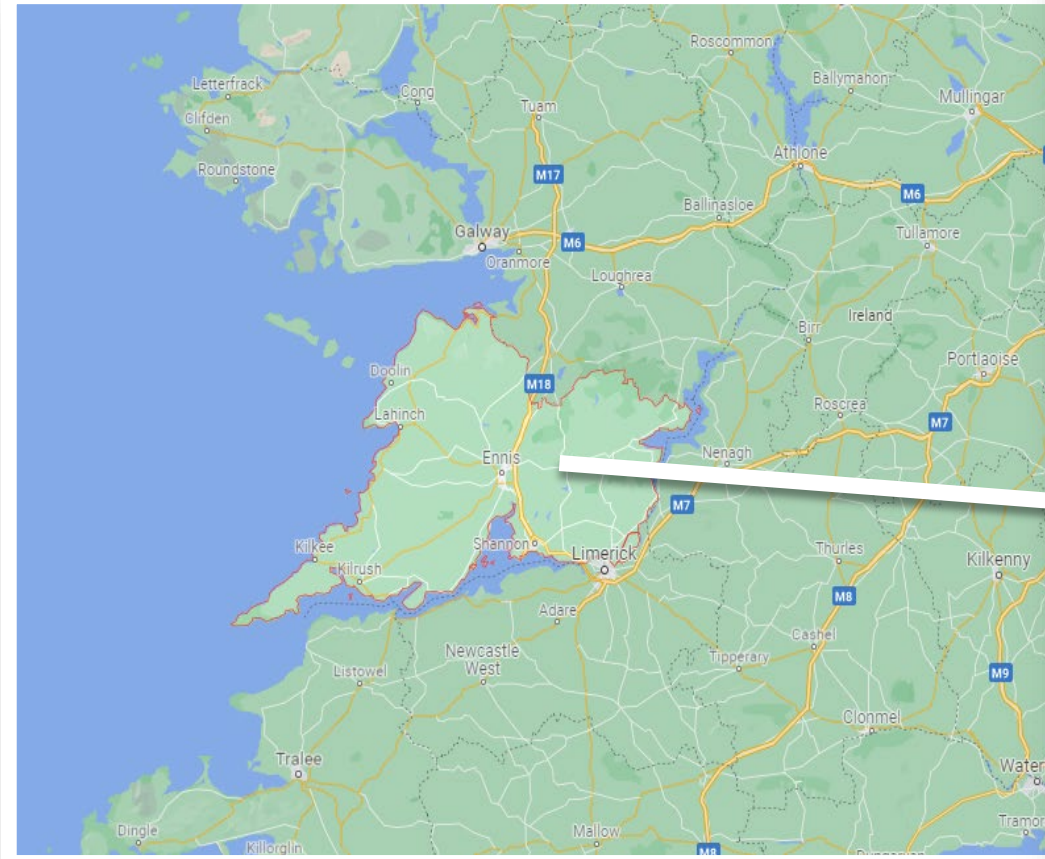
# Country Pros

- Fun people,
- High Standard of Living & Strong Economy
- Low Corporate Taxes & Common Law
- Ancient Culture Steeped in History
- Haven for artists, writers, and musicians
- Ranked country one of safest from Climate Change
- English Speaking
- Breathtaking Scenery
- Excellent Education system

# Country Cons

- Weather often best suited for inside a pub and ducks
- Tax relatively high
- Rent relatively expensive
- Visa requires €50k in income or €1/2m Investment
- Guns for hunting only
- Bureaucracy

# County Clare







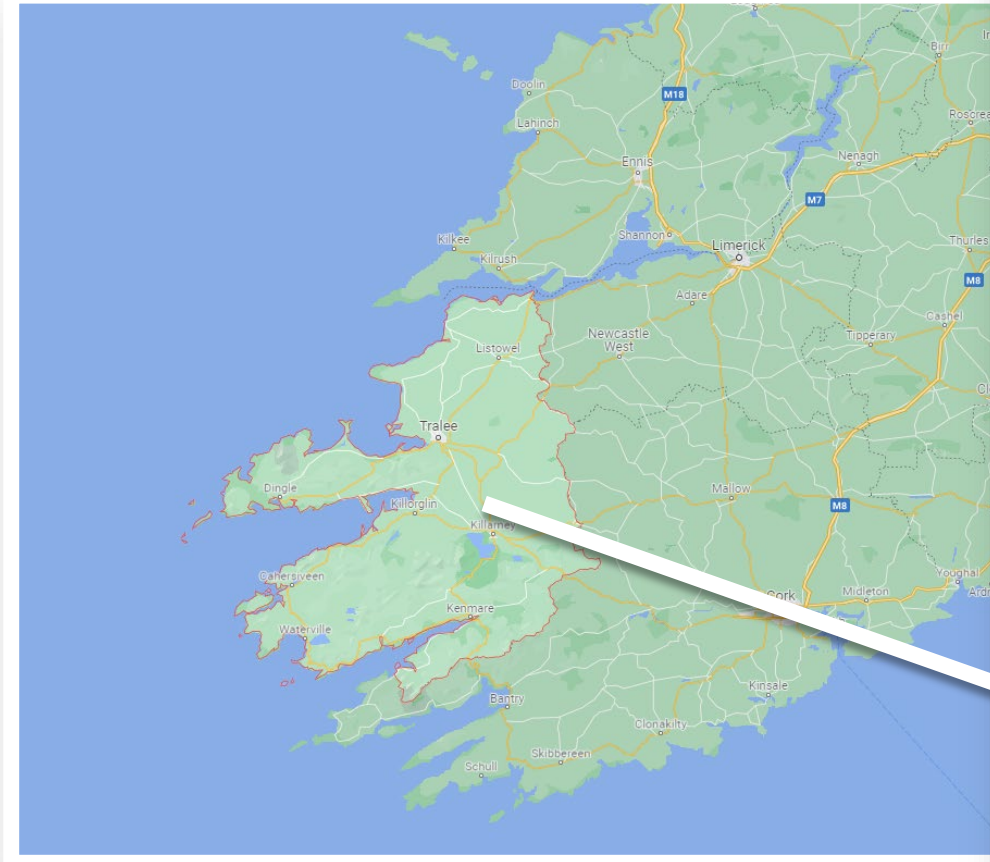
# County Clare Pros

- Stunning Coastal and Mountain Scenery
- Golfing
- Surfing
- Hill walking
- Artist Haven
- Attracts organic farmers / Alternative Living
- Local People / Humor / Attitude

# County Clare Cons

- No Cities or large town (Ennis 24,000 is biggest)
- Property prices high in popular beach areas.
- Poorer public transport links
- Small population / Limited services in remote areas

# County Kerry





# County Kerry Pros

- Stunning Miles Long Empty Beaches
- Outdoor activities Galore
- Very Tourist Friendly / Remote Working Flocking here
- Welcoming Small Villages & Ancient History
- Killarney, Kenmare & National Parks Inland
- Huge GAA Fans
- Loop Head, Castlegregory/ Camp, Tralee Bay
- Ring of Kerry
- Dingle

# County Kerry Cons

- Brisk Winter Weather
- High cost of real estate in popular tourist areas
- Poor Public Transport in Rural Areas
- Accent may take a little while to understand
- Kerryman Jokes...

# Galway City







# Galway City Pros

- Known as the City of Tribes
- Ireland Friendliest City
- City of Busker Artis Dreamer and Schemers
- 9<sup>th</sup> Best City in Europe **Condé Nast's**
- **Medieval City** Galway's Latin Quarter (The Spanish Arch, Quay Street, Kirwans Lane)
- European Capital of Culture 2020
- Cultural Hub
- **Lower cost of living than Dublin, Cork**
- **Beaches nearby**
- **Small City**
- **Fantastic food and nightlife**
- Cutting-edge arts, music, design and theatre scenes.
- There's rarely a weekend without a festival or cultural celebration in the city.

# Galway City Cons

- Patchy Public Transport System
- Some homelessness is evident
- Weather
- Good rentals can be hard to find
- As a college, party, and arts city: public drunkenness is fairly common

# Waterford





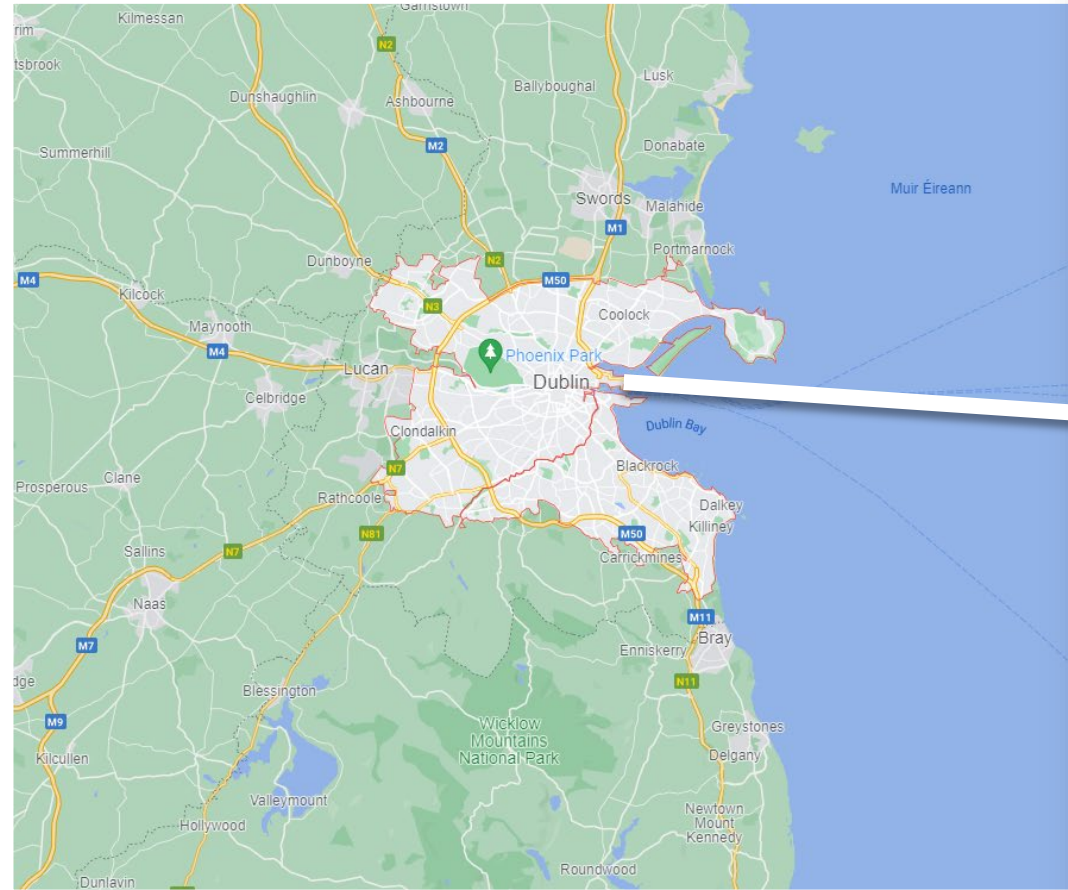
# Waterford Pros

- **Ireland's oldest City Vikings 914 AD**
- **Lief and Kathie's home in Ireland**
- Less Expensive Real Estate
- Won Irish Times best place in Ireland to Live: 2021
- Affordability;
- Natural amenities;
- Museums, Cathedrals, Stately Homes
- Live Music, presence of clubs, societies and activities;
- Community initiatives and spirit;
- Good local services; Transport links; employment opportunities;
- Welcoming for outsiders;
- Digital links for remote working;
- Safety and secure

# Waterford Cons

- Weather
- Small City 53,000 Residents
- Some traffic issues

# Dublin City







# Dublin City Pros

- Largest City & Capital
- Great Nightlife, Restaurants, and Entertainment
- Good Public Transport
- Vibrant Multi-cultural Society
- Historical City
- Excellent Arts Scene

# Dublin City Cons

- Cost of Property
- Weather
- Large City
- Traffic Congestion
- Feels a bit like any large European City
- People might be less friendly
- Crime in some areas (Relative to other Irish cities)

# Noteworthy

- Ranks High on Life Satisfaction Index
- Ranks Low on Crime Index
- High Education and Wage Levels
- Healthy, Clean Food is inexpensive
- People tend to help each other

# Grading Ireland

- English Spoken – **A+**
- Health Care – **B+**
- Climate – **C**
- Infrastructure – **B -**
- Accessibility – **B**
- Safety – **A**
- Culture – **A**
- Recreation – **B**
- Taxes – **B-**

# Recommended Resources

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