

# EDUCATION & TRAINING BOARDS AT A GLANCE



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Education and Training  
Boards Ireland  
*Boird Oideachais agus  
Oiliúna Éireann*

# OUR SECTOR AT A GLANCE

## #SupportYourLocalETB

**Core values**  
Excellence in Education,  
Care,  
Equality,  
Community,  
Respect



**1000+** Learning Locations

**500+** learner locations including Post Leaving Certificate Colleges, Training Centres, Outdoor Education Centres and Adult & Community Education centres.



**48+** Scoileanna lán-Ghaeilge  
Largest provider of education through the medium of Irish



**452K+** Learners

**Ethos**  
Equality based,  
Multi-denominational,  
Co-educational,  
State-owned

**250+** Community Colleges  
(over 1/3 of all post-primary schools in Ireland)



**226k+** learners

**Further Education & Training**



**ETBs deliver Youthreach and Music Generation Programmes.**

**Youthreach and Music Generation**



ETBs deliver programmes as varied as apprenticeships, traineeships, post leaving certificates, adult literacy, Skills for work, vocational training, back to education, English for Speakers of Other Languages and community education programmes.



**30+** Community National Schools



**€2.7 Billion** Annual Spend



**EDUCATION & TRAINING BOARDS (ETBS) ARE IRELAND'S LEADING STATUTORY PROVIDERS OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING AND ARE UNIQUE IN PROVIDING LIFELONG LEARNING FOR ALL.**

## About Education & Training Boards Ireland (ETBI)

**Education & Training Boards Ireland (ETBI)** is the national representative association for our sixteen member Education & Training Boards (ETBs) and negotiates on behalf of the ETB sector at various forums within the education sector and at national, European, and overseas level. Our mission is to lead and advance the continued development of education, training and youthwork in Ireland and our vision is to harness our strength to influence and promote a strong education and training sector through collaboration and collective effort. ETBI is guided by the core values of excellence, care, equality, community, and respect.

Collectively, the sixteen Education and Training Boards have responsibility for 30+ Community National Schools and 250+ Post-Primary Schools with over 130,000 students. ETB Post-Primary Schools are the largest provider of education through the medium of Irish with 48+ schools. ETBs are also the largest provider of multid denominational education in Ireland. ETBs deliver Further Education and Training to over 226,000 FET learners each year across 500+ learner locations and play a central role in the delivery of apprenticeships and traineeships in partnership with employers. ETBs also support, monitor, and deliver youth services. The ETB Sector employs over 32,000 people and has a combined annual spend in excess of €2.7 billion.

# ETB Public Affairs Priorities 2024-2025

Everyone deserves excellence in education and training:

Increase the number of **Community National Schools** so that all parents have access to multi-denominational primary schools in their communities for their children



Increase the number of **Deputy Principals in our disadvantaged schools** so that they can spend more time supporting students, their families and the broader education community to deliver better outcomes for our children.



Increase funding for **Further Education & Training** so that all learners can develop the skills they (and the country) need in their own communities



Invest in the **essential youth work services** ETBs provide to at-risk young people so they can flourish



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## 1. Cavan and Monaghan Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                         | Figure |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Post Primary Schools            | 11     |
| Institutes of Further Education | 18     |
| Training                        | 7      |
| Youthreach Centres              | 6      |
| PLC Colleges                    | 2      |
| Part-time/Night Classes         | 3      |

**Services also include:** Music Generation Programme, Prison Education Service, Outdoor Education and Training centre, Community & Youth Services, Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS).



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                      | Participants |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants          | 7,652        |
| Second Level Participants | 5,810        |
| Population Circa          | 137,562      |
| Training                  | 1561         |
| Part-time/Night Classes   | 1051         |
| Annual Budget Circa       | €106M        |
| Staff                     | 1,373        |



## 2. Cork Education and Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service  | Figure |
|--|--------|
| Community National Schools                                       | 2      |
| Community Special School   | 3      |
| Post Primary Schools (including 4 Campuses of Further Education) | 28     |
| FET Campuses & Centres   | 11     |
| Adult & Community Education Centres                              | 25     |
| Co-Trustee – Community & Comprehensive Schools                   | 13     |
| Outdoor Education Centres  | 2      |
| Youthreach Centres   | 12     |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                  | Participants |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| FET Learners          | 21,399       |
| Post Primary Learners | 14,226       |
| Primary Learners      | 685          |
| Annual Budget Circa   | €249M        |
| Staff                 | 3,800        |



**Services also include:** Prison Education, Music Education & Creche services

## 3. City of Dublin Education and Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                          | Figure |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Schools & Colleges               | 27     |
| Youthreach Centres               | 9      |
| Training Centres                 | 2      |
| Adult Education Services (areas) | 5      |
| Education Service - Prisons      | 7      |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                                  | Participants   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Second Level Schools & Colleges       | 3,665          |
| Post Leaving Cert                     | 6,634          |
| <b>Other Learners</b>                 | <b>44,000+</b> |
| Apprenticeships and Traineeships      | 2,874          |
| Youthreach Programme                  | 984            |
| Adult, Community, and Other Education | 20,053         |
| Education Service to Prisons          | 12,680         |
| Annual Budget Circa                   | €580M          |
| Staff                                 | 3,200          |



## 4. Donegal Education and Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service  | Figure |
|--|--------|
| Post Primary Schools (Including 4 Gaeltacht Schools & 2 Gaelcholáistí) | 15     |
| Further Education and Training Centres                                 | 18     |
| Youthreach   | 4      |
| PLC Centres  | 3      |
| Donegal Music Education Partnership (DMEP)                             | 10     |
| OETC   | 1      |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type           | Participants |
|----------------|--------------|
| Students       | 5,614        |
| Learners Circa | 10,707       |
| Budget Circa   | €111M        |
| Staff          | 1,502        |



**Services also include:** Youth Services, Drug/Alcohol Education, REALT Service, Music Education Partnership.

## 5. Dublin and Dún Laoghaire Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                                 | Figure |
|---|--------|
| Primary Schools                         | 9      |
| Special Schools                         | 3      |
| Second Level                            | 31     |
| Further Ed & Training                   | 40     |
| Self-Financed Adult Education Classes   | 7      |
| Youth & Sports Development facilities   | 486    |
| National Rehabilitation Hospital School | 1      |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                                      | Participants |
|---|--------------|
| FET Participants                          | 38,842       |
| Post Primary Participants                 | 22,445       |
| CNS (Including Community Special Schools) | 3,337        |
| Youth & Sports Facilities                 | 272,128      |
| Population Circa                          | 865,000      |
| Budget Circa                              | 285M         |
| Staff                                     | 4500         |



## 6. Galway and Roscommon Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                         | Figure |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Community National Schools      | 2      |
| Community Comprehensive Schools | 8      |
| Post Primary                    | 19     |
| Further Ed Colleges             | 40     |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                                      | Participants |
|---|--------------|
| FET Participants                          | 21,833       |
| Post Primary Participants                 | 7,419        |
| CNS (Including Community Special Schools) | 147          |
| Music Generation                          | 12,257       |
| Youth Services                            | 12,219       |
| Population Circa                          | 347,996      |
| Budget Circa                              | 150m         |
| Staff                                     | 2000         |



**Services also include:** Literacy and Outdoor Education & Training, Local Creative Youth Partnership, Castlerea Prison Education Services, Ballaghaderreen Education Centre for Refugees



## 7. Kerry Education and Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                    | Figure |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Community National Schools | 3      |
| Post Primary Level         | 8      |
| FET College of the Future  | 1      |
| FET Centres                | 10     |
| Youth Services             | 5      |
| Sports Centre              | 1      |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                                | Participants |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants                    | 14,000       |
| Post Primary & Primary Participants | 3,100        |
| Music Generation Kerry              | 3,171        |
| Local Creative Youth Partnership    | 518          |
| Population Circa                    | 155,258      |
| Budget Circa                        | 90m          |
| Staff                               | 1,260        |

**Services also include:** Music Generation, Youth Services & Regional Education and Language Team (REALT)



## 8. Kildare and Wicklow Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                                | Figure |
|--|--------|
| Community National Schools             | 3      |
| Post Primary Schools                   | 23     |
| Further Education and Training Centres | 25     |
| PLC Colleges                           | 2      |
| FET Courses                            | 1,000  |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                      | Participants |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants          | 14,000       |
| Post Primary Participants | 14,243       |
| CNS                       | 756          |
| Learners                  | 29,500       |
| Population Circa          | 364,929      |
| Budget Circa              | €160M        |
| Staff                     | 2,200        |



**Services also include:** Music Generation & Outdoor training centre, Drugs and Alcohol Task Force Services, Prison education, and Youth Services.



## 9. Kilkenny and Carlow Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service              | Figure |
|----------------------|--------|
| Schools              | 15     |
| Second Level Schools | 13     |
| FET Programme        | 22     |
| Youthreach           | 2      |
| Adult Education      | 29     |
| Annual Budget Circa  | €89M   |
| Staff                | 1,377  |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                      | Participants |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants          | 8,505        |
| Post Primary Participants | 5,263        |
| Post Leaving Cert         | 942          |
| Youthreach                | 50           |
| Population Circa          | 156,000      |

## 10. Laois and Offaly Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service  | Figure |
|--|--------|
| Post Primary Schools   | 9      |
| Community Schools (Joint Patron)   | 5      |
| FET Centres  | 13     |
| National Construction Trg Centre   | 1      |
| NZEB (Near Zero Energy Build) & Retrofit - European centre of Excellence | 1      |
| Scaffolding Apprenticeship dedicated Centre                              | 1      |
| Learner Information Hub  | 2      |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                      | Participants |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants          | 14000        |
| Post Primary Participants | 4711         |
| Population Circa          | 162,658      |
| Budget Circa              | €80m         |
| Staff                     | 1370         |

**Services also include:** Music Generation and Education Laois/Offaly, Youth Services, Prison Education Service

## 11. Limerick and Clare Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                   | Figure |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Post Primary              | 24     |
| Education & CNS           | 28     |
| FET Campuses              | 4      |
| Music Programmes          | 2      |
| Outdoor Education Centres | 1      |
| Prison Education Centre   | 1      |
| FET Courses               | 1,681  |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type             | Participants |
|------------------|--------------|
| Learners         | 38,000       |
| Post Primary     | 9,740        |
| Population Circa | 332,863      |
| Budget Circa     | €257M        |
| Staff            | 2,500        |



## 12. Longford and Westmeath Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                 | Figure |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Post Primary            | 8      |
| Junior Education Centre | 1      |
| Primary                 | 1      |
| Further Education       | 14     |
| Night Courses           | 2      |
| Youth Services          | 38     |
| Music Generation        | 2      |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                      | Participants |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants          | 12,622       |
| Post Primary Participants | 3,577        |
| Junior Education Centre   | 18           |
| Primary Participants      | 293          |
| Night Courses             | 192          |
| Youth Services            | 4,500        |
| Music Generation          | 10,138       |
| Population Circa          | 142,972      |
| Budget Circa              | €100m        |
| Staff                     | 1,116        |



## 13. Louth and Meath Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service  | Figure |
|--|--------|
| Community National Schools                                   | 4      |
| Community Special School                                     | 1      |
| Community Schools (Joint Patron)                             | 6      |
| Second Level   | 18     |
| Dedicated PLC College  | 2      |
| Shared PLC Campus  | 1      |
| Youthreach Centres   | 8      |
| FET Centres/Campus   | 7      |
| Advanced Manufacturing Training Centre of Excellence (AMTCE) | 1      |
| Centre for European Schooling Training Centre                | 1      |
| Special Needs Units  | 2      |
|  | 31     |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                      | Participants |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| FET Beneficiaries         | 37,140       |
| Post Primary Participants | 13,740       |
| CNS Participants          | 787          |
| ATMCE                     | 2,089        |
| Population Circa          | 323,317      |
| Budget Circa              | €180m        |
| Staff                     | 2500         |



**Services also include:** Youth Services, Drug/Alcohol Education, REALT Service, Music Generation.

## 14. Mayo, Sligo and Leitrim Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service                         | Figure |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Second Level Schools / Colleges | 19     |
| Music Generation                | 3      |
| FET Centres                     | 12     |
| Youthreach Centres              | 5      |
| Community Education Courses     | 393    |
| FET Courses                     | 1,673  |



### Services Delivery Statistics



| Type                                  | Participants |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Learners                              | 16,724       |
| Second Level                          | 4,892        |
| PLC                                   | 1,046        |
| Population Circa                      | 228,086      |
| Apprenticeships                       | 800          |
| Traineeships                          | 500          |
| Adult Literacy/Numeracy/ICT Programme | 2,494        |
| Community Education                   | 2,813        |
| Youthreach                            | 175          |
| Staff                                 | 1,554        |
| Annual Budget Circa                   | €116M        |



## 15. Tipperary Education and Training Board

### Profile of Services

| Service  | Figure |
|--|--------|
| Post Primary Schools                           | 10     |
| High Support School                            | 1      |
| Centres  | 19     |
| CNS  | 1      |
| Special School                                 | 1      |
| Further Education and Training (including PLC) | 22     |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                             | Participants |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants (Including PLC) | 11,182       |
| Learners                         | 16,634       |
| CNS                              | 182          |
| Post Primary                     | 5,253        |
| Youth Services                   | 1,680        |
| Annual Budget Circa              | €87M         |

**Services also include:** Music Generation & Youth Services

## 16. Waterford and Wexford Education & Training Board

### Profile of Services

#### Service

| Service                              | Participants |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| FET Participants                     | 27,356       |
| Post Primary Participants (incl PLC) | 6,889        |
| CNS                                  | 40           |
| Budget Circa                         | €147m        |
| Staff                                | 1,850        |



### Services Delivery Statistics

| Type                                | Figure |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Community National Schools          | 1      |
| Community Schools                   | 3      |
| Special School                      | 1      |
| Post Primary & PLC Ed               | 13     |
| FET Centres                         | 29     |
| FET College                         | 1      |
| Outdoor Education & Training Centre | 1      |
| Youthreach                          | 8      |



## Abbreviations

**FET:** Further Education & Training

**OETC:** Outdoor Education Training Centre

**PLC:** Post Leaving Certificate

**CNS:** Community National School



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