



The RTB Rent Index Quarter 2 2017

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The Residential Tenancies Board (RTB) is a public body set up to support and develop a well-functioning rental housing sector. Our role is to:

- provide information to inform policy on the sector;
- maintain a national register of tenancies;
- resolve disputes between landlords and tenants cheaply and speedily;
- provide information to the public.

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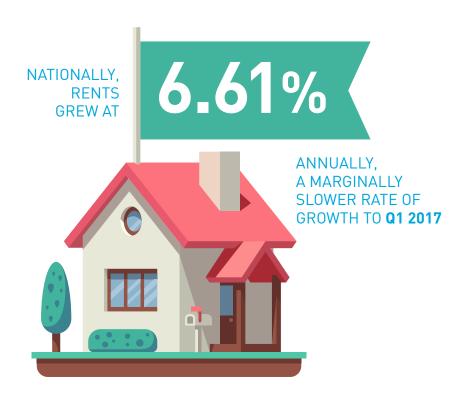
Introduction

This report is produced by the Residential Tenancies Board (RTB) and the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) and presents two sets of rental indicators (the Rent Index) generated to track price developments in the Irish market. The analysis presents rental indices on a quarterly basis from Q3 2007 to Q2 2017.

Up until recently the Index estimated rents for just three regions; nationally, the Dublin area and outside the Dublin area. However, a new model was developed and has been in place since Q4 2016 which provides information at the more granular Local Electoral Area (LEA) level. In total, data for 137 LEAs are presented in the report. The main findings are based on this new model but both models are presented to allow for comparison and to examine differences in rental prices between houses and apartments and the Dublin and outside of Dublin areas.

The Index is the most accurate and authoritative rent report of its kind on the private rental sector in Ireland. Relative to other market monitoring reports produced for the Irish rental sector, the RTB/ESRI Index has the considerable benefit that it is based on regulatory data covering all new tenancy agreements registered with the RTB nationally.

The report is structured as follows: in the next section, we examine the results from Q2 2017 using the new model, focussing on both the trends at the national level as well as those for the different LEAs. We also graphically present the growth in the Index on a granular, LEA level, by mapping the data across each LEA. The following section provides more detailed results on regional variations using the previous model. In the appendices, you will find more detail on the calculation of the new Index and a breakdown of the observations (number of rental agreements) per LEA for the most recent and previous quarters.



Summary of results for Quarter 2 2017

The results for the second quarter of 2017 indicate that private sector rents continued to trend upwards.

Nationally, rents grew at 6.61 per cent annually, which represents a marginally slower rate of growth relative to Q1 2017. However, rents in Q2 2017 were above their peak level recorded in Q4 2007 as continued upward pressure has been exerted on prices in the sector: the index stood at 102.94 for the latest quarter. Figure 1 tracks the development of the index over time. While rents began growing in Q4 2012, the acceleration in the pace of growth, which began in early 2014, continued in the most recent quarter.

Table 1 presents the standardised rents as well as the growth rates in the rental levels. As of Q2 2017, the standardised average national rent was earrow1,017 per month, up from earrow954 year-on-year. While the quarter-on-quarter growth was relatively flat for the first quarter of 2017, the pace of growth accelerated in the second quarter of 2017. Standardised rents increased 2.89 per cent quarter-on-quarter to Q2 2017, up from 0.04 per cent in the previous quarter.

Table 2 reports the recent rent growth at the more granular (Local Electoral Area – LEA) level in terms of the number of quarters where annualised rent increases have been greater than or equal to 7 per cent. It also shows how rent levels in each LEA compares to the national average using the standardised rent approach which adjusts for any changes over time in the composition of the housing stock. Rents in Dublin and surrounding commuter counties were amongst the highest relative to the national average, with parts of Cork, Galway cities also above average.

Given the large amount of regional information now available, an alternative way to present the results is through the use of "heat-maps". Figure 2 breaks down the LEAs by the annual growth rate of the standardised Index for Q2 2017, whereas Figure 3 plots the LEAs by the following three criteria:

- (1) whether the LEA has an annualised growth rate equal to or in excess of 7 per cent for 4 of the last 6 quarters,
- (2) whether their average standardised rent is above or below the national average and finally
- (3) where both conditions prevail.

The purple areas in Figure 3 which are mainly centred on Dublin, Cork and Galway are those LEAs which experience both conditions.

The data indicates that there were 45 LEAs across the 6 counties Dublin, Cork, Galway, Wicklow, Meath and Kildare which had rents above the national average.

Based on Q2 2017 data, two additional LEAs will now meet the designation criteria for rent pressure zones: Drogheda and Greystones.

The number of tenancies registered with the RTB in Q2 2017 was 23,119, with 19,071 used in the calculation of the Index¹.

Outliers have been removed from this figure for the estimation of the Index. Agreements with missing data for variables used in the regression are also omitted. This leads to agreements being dropped from the estimation.

Table 1: Rent Index Q2 2017

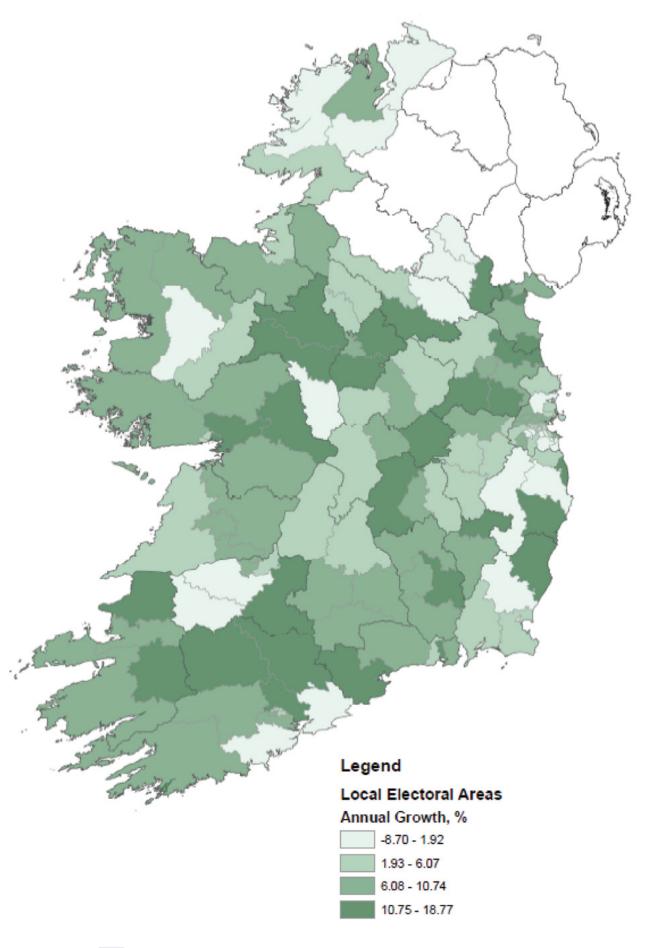
Period	Index	€	Year-on-Year	Quarter-on-Quarter
2007Q3	100.00	988.09		
2007Q4	100.04	988.47		0.04%
2008Q1	99.90	987.09		-0.14%
2008Q2	99.40	982.16		-0.50%
2008Q3	91.88	907.83	-8.12%	-7.57%
2008Q4	92.85	917.41	-7.19%	1.06%
2009Q1	88.46	874.07	-11.45%	-4.72%
2009Q2	84.70	836.86	-14.79%	-4.26%
2009Q3	81.46	804.85	-11.34%	-3.82%
2009Q4	79.21	782.63	-14.69%	-2.76%
2010Q1	78.26	773.29	-11.53%	-1.19%
2010Q2	77.87	769.44	-8.06%	-0.50%
2010Q3	77.10	761.78	-5.35%	-1.00%
2010Q4	77.72	767.90	-1.88%	0.80%
2011Q1	76.33	754.20	-2.47%	-1.78%
2011Q2	76.79	758.74	-1.39%	0.60%
2011Q3	77.33	764.07	0.30%	0.70%
2011Q4	76.41	754.96	-1.69%	-1.19%
2012Q1	75.57	746.70	-1.00%	-1.09%
2012Q2	76.48	755.71	-0.40%	1.21%
2012Q3	77.79	768.67	0.60%	1.71%
2012Q4	77.25	763.31	1.11%	-0.70%
2013Q1	77.25	763.31	2.22%	0.00%
2013Q2	78.18	772.52	2.22%	1.21%
2013Q3	80.16	792.08	3.05%	2.53%
2013Q4	80.16	792.08	3.77%	0.00%
2014Q1	80.40	794.46	4.08%	0.30%
2014Q2	83.02	820.29	6.18%	3.25%
2014Q3	84.53	835.19	5.44%	1.82%
2014Q4	85.29	842.74	6.40%	0.90%
2015Q1	86.41	853.77	7.47%	1.31%
2015Q2	88.37	873.19	6.45%	2.28%
2015Q3	91.18	900.96	7.87%	3.18%
2015Q4	93.18	920.72	9.25%	2.19%
2016Q1	93.30	921.92	7.98%	0.13%
2016Q2	96.56	954.08	9.26%	3.49%
2016Q3	97.42	962.55	6.84%	0.89%
2016Q4	100.01	988.17	7.33%	2.66%
2017Q1	100.05	988.57	7.23%	0.04%
2017Q2	102.94	1017.15	6.61%	2.89%

Note: The periods 2007Q3 through to 2008Q2, in the Year-on-Year column, are empty as year on year data collection began in 2007Q3.

Figure 1: RTB Rent Index - National Q3 2007 = 100



Figure 2: Heat Map of Annual Growth Rates by LEA



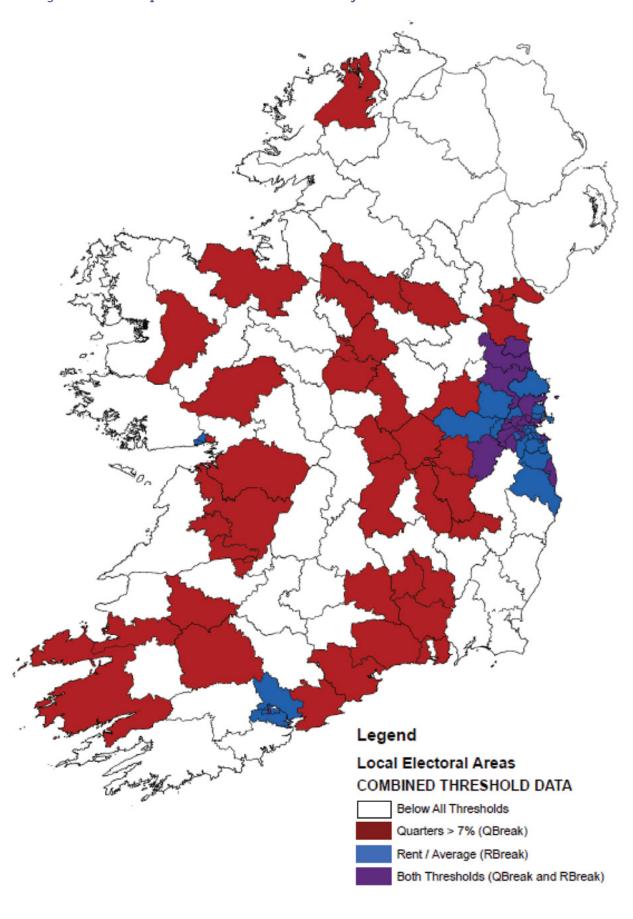


Figure 3: Heat Map of Breakdown of LEA rents by 3 Different Criteria

Table 2: Rent Growth Summary, Standardised Average Rent and Rent Compared to National Average by LEA

	Quarters >7%	Q2 2017 €	Local average compared to standard national average
NATIONAL	4	1017.15	100
Carlow (10)	4	771.28	75.83
Muinebeag (8)	3	709.21	69.72
Cavan - Belturbet (6)	4	565.15	55.56
Bailieborough - Cootehill (6)	4	566.03	55.65
Ballyjamesduff (6)	3	693.02	68.13
West Clare (8)	2	541.60	53.25
Killaloe (6)	6	673.44	66.21
Shannon (6)	4	739.56	72.71
Ennis (8)	6	697.50	68.57
Kanturk - Mallow (6)	5	729.57	71.73
Fermoy (6)	2	715.43	70.34
East Cork (6)	5	819.20	80.54
Cobh (7)	3	1062.59	104.47
Ballincollig - Carrigaline (10)	3	1198.85	117.86
Bandon - Kinsale (6)	2	933.93	91.82
West Cork (8)	2	707.84	69.59
Blarney - Macroom (6)	3	881.24	86.64
Glenties (6)	*	*	*
Letterkenny (10)	5	611.60	60.13
Inishowen (9)	0	410.87	40.39
Stranorlar (6)	2	509.17	50.06
Donegal (6)	1	525.53	51.67
Conamara (9)	2	746.45	73.39
Tuam (9)	4	661.64	65.05
Ballinasloe (6)	2	599.09	58.90
Loughrea (8)	4	655.94	64.49
Athenry - Oranmore (7)	3	902.38	88.72
Galway City West (6)	2	1036.30	101.88
Galway City Central (6)	2	1083.60	106.53
Galway City East (6)	4	1009.00	99.20
Listowel (7)	2	589.52	57.96
Tralee (9)	5	691.86	68.02
Killarney (8)	1	756.43	74.37
South And West Kerry (9)	4	629.49	61.89
Maynooth (9)	3	1260.41	123.92
Celbridge -Leixlip (7)	3	1294.95	127.31
Naas (9)	4	1190.02	117.00

	Quarters >7%	Q2 2017 €	Local average compared to standard national average
Athy (6)	5	796.65	78.32
Kildare -Newbridge (9)	4	990.16	97.35
Castlecomer (6)	2	613.16	60.28
Kilkenny City East (6)	4	846.69	83.24
Piltown (6)	5	796.16	78.27
Kilkenny Citywest (6)	4	860.31	84.58
Cork City North Central	2	1024.12	100.69
Cork City North East	3	842.65	82.84
Cork City North West	3	1065.26	104.73
Cork City South Central	6	1145.75	112.64
Cork City South East	2	1154.19	113.47
Cork City South West	2	1118.08	109.92
Borris-In-Ossory -Mountmellick (6)	5	745.38	73.28
Portlaoise (7)	3	788.80	77.55
Graiguecullen -Portarlington (6)	4	793.60	78.02
Manorhamilton (6)	*	*	*
Ballinamore (6)	*	*	*
Carrick-On-Shannon (6)	5	569.22	55.96
Newcastle West (6)	5	464.09	45.63
Adare - Rathkeale (6)	2	782.82	76.96
Cappamore - Kilmallock (7)	3	664.01	65.28
Limerick City West (7)	6	946.22	93.03
Limerick City North (6)	3	874.71	86.00
Limerick Cityeast (8)	5	947.76	93.18
Granard (6)	*	*	*
Ballymahon (6)	6	588.21	57.83
Longford (6)	6	583.24	57.34
Dundalk Carlingford (6)	5	726.09	71.38
Dundalk South (7)	4	941.01	92.51
Ardee (6)	5	785.12	77.19
Drogheda (10)	6	1036.22	101.87
Ballina (8)	3	591.81	58.18
Claremorris (7)	2	557.76	54.84
Castlebar (8)	4	589.96	58.00
West Mayo (7)	3	663.30	65.21
Kells (7)	3	753.95	74.12
Laytown -Bettystown (7)	5	1203.19	118.29
Ashbourne (6)	6	1057.02	103.92
Ratoath (7)	3	1281.15	125.96
Trim (6)	4	975.09	95.87

	Quarters >7%	Q2 2017 €	Local average compared to standard national average
Navan (7)	3	926.26	91.06
Monaghan (6)	0	587.81	57.79
Carrickmacross -Castleblayney (6)	3	663.38	65.22
Ballybay -Clones (6)	*	*	*
Birr (6)	1	483.90	47.57
Tullamore (7)	4	680.26	66.88
Edenderry (6)	4	745.52	73.30
Boyle (6)	3	502.04	49.36
Roscommon (6)	3	616.70	60.63
Athlone (6)	3	645.97	63.51
Ballymote – Tobercurry(8)	4	512.01	50.34
Sligo (10)	2	649.74	63.88
Nenagh (9)	1	648.27	63.73
Templemore -Thurles (9)	2	556.79	54.74
Carrick-On-Suir (6)	1	627.27	61.67
Clonmel (9)	2	688.92	67.73
Cashel -Tipperary (7)	2	655.87	64.48
Dungarvan -Lismore (8)	5	696.79	68.50
Comeragh (6)	*	*	*
Tramore – Waterford City West (6)	5	662.28	65.11
Waterford City South (6)	3	719.28	70.72
Waterford City East (6)	6	828.01	81.40
Athlone (7)	2	700.48	68.87
Mullingar - Kilbeggan (6)	4	696.93	68.52
Mullingar - Coole (7)	3	704.46	69.26
Gorey (8)	3	759.16	74.64
Enniscorthy (8)	3	621.78	61.13
New Ross (8)	3	644.40	63.35
Wexford (10)	3	718.78	70.67
Baltinglass (6)	3	892.72	87.77
Bray (8)	2	1281.53	125.99
Greystones (6)	4	1479.69	145.47
Wicklow (6)	2	1045.76	102.81
Arklow (6)	3	936.74	92.09
Balbriggan (8)	3	1153.49	113.40
Swords (9)	4	1354.28	133.14
Mulhuddart (8)	2	1379.99	135.67
Castleknock (7)	5	1503.01	147.77
Howth - Malahide (8)	1	1637.55	160.99
Stillorgan (6)	3	1944.19	191.14

	Quarters >7%	Q2 2017 €	Local average compared to standard national average
Dundrum (7)	2	1859.30	182.80
Glencullen - Sandyford (7)	3	1796.12	176.58
Killiney - Shankill (6)	2	1650.37	162.25
Dun Laoghaire (8)	5	1752.49	172.29
Blackrock (6)	2	1805.40	177.50
Lucan (8)	4	1459.84	143.52
Tallaght Central (6)	3	1303.47	128.15
Templeogue - Terenure (6)	4	1599.39	157.24
Rathfarnham (6)	3	1716.35	168.74
Tallaght South (6)	6	1380.92	135.76
Clondalkin (8)	4	1278.44	125.69
Ballymun (7)	5	1359.42	133.65
Cabra - Finglas (7)	4	1316.83	129.46
Ballyfermot - Drimnagh (6)	4	1424.36	140.03
Crumlin - Kimmage (6)	3	1399.35	137.58
Rathgar - Rathmines (6)	3	1303.02	128.10
Pembroke - South Dock (8)	3	1728.93	169.98
North Inner City (8)	4	1367.97	134.49
Clontarf (6)	4	1478.30	145.34
Beaumont - Donaghmede (9)	2	1418.17	139.43

Note: * indicates that rents in areas with less than 30 observations are not published for statistical reasons.



RENTS IN **DUBLIN** AND SURROUNDING COMMUTER COUNTIES ARE AMONGST THE HIGHEST RELATIVE TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE, WITH PARTS OF **CORK** AND **GALWAY** CITIES ALSO ABOVE AVERAGE

Detailed Results – regional and property variances using previous model

As noted previously, the new model has not yet been estimated to examine the difference between rents for houses as opposed to apartments. Consequently, in this section we summarise the results of the old approach for this breakdown.

The previous approach also allowed for the index to be broken down on the basis of National, Dublin and the outside Dublin areas.

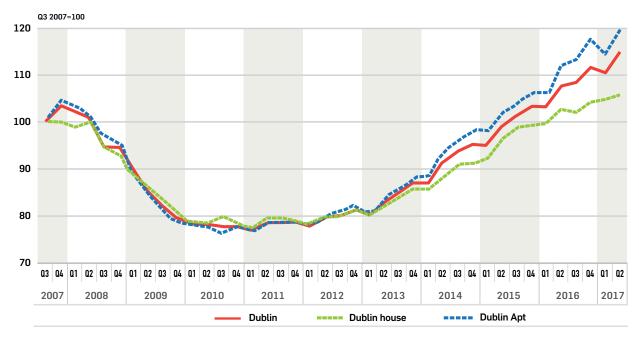
Overall rents in Dublin increased this quarter by 3.3 per cent quarter-on-quarter, which represents an acceleration over Q1 2017, which showed a moderate decline in Dublin rents. The increase for Q2 2017 for Dublin was mainly driven by an acceleration in rents for apartments, which were up 4.4 per cent quarter-on-quarter. Private rents for Dublin houses rose in Q2 2017, albeit at a modest pace of 0.9 per cent. On an annual basis, rents continued to grow, increasing by 5.8 per cent in Dublin. In Q2 2017, there was some evidence of a moderation in the pace of expansion for Dublin houses, continuing the trend seen in Q1 2017. Also for Dublin apartments, the year-on-year growth rate dropped from 7.4 per cent to 6.8 per cent this quarter.

Outside Dublin, rents for houses and apartments continued to grow both on a quarterly basis and an annual basis. The quarter-on-quarter growth rate overall was 3.1 per cent in private sector rents, representing an increase from 1.3 per cent in Q1 2017. Annual growth rates also appear to be consistent at 8.0 per cent, in line with the previous quarter. Behind the headline figure, there has been acceleration in apartment rental price growth outside Dublin on an annualised basis, increasing to 9.3 per cent year-on-year.

Demand for rented accommodation in the capital is very high as is evident from Dublin rents now being 10.8 per cent above their previous peak in Q4 2007. Rents for Dublin apartments now stand at 14.7 per cent above Q4 2007 levels. Outside Dublin, rents are still 3.8 per cent below their previous (2007) peak levels.

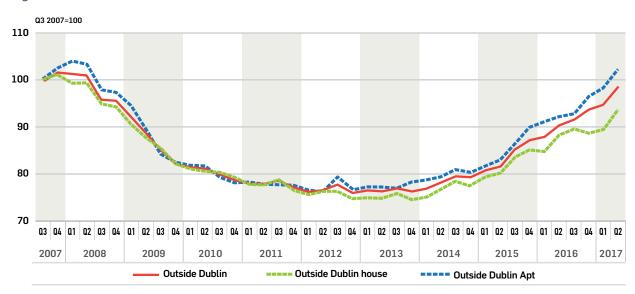


Figure 4: RTB Rent Index - Dublin



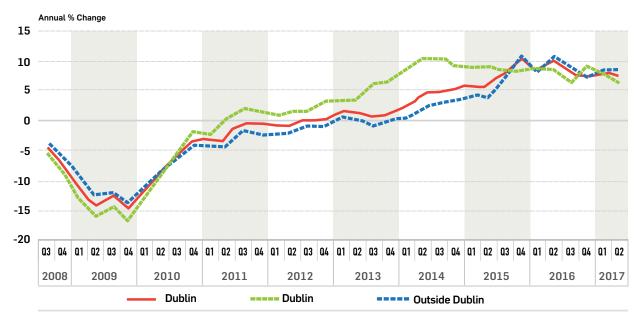
Source: RTB data

Figure 5: RTB Rent Index Outside Dublin



Source: RTB data

Figure 6: Annual Growth in the RTB Rent Index



Source: RTB data

Figure 7: National House Prices and National Rents Q3 2007 = 100



Source: RTB data and own calculations using CSO data.

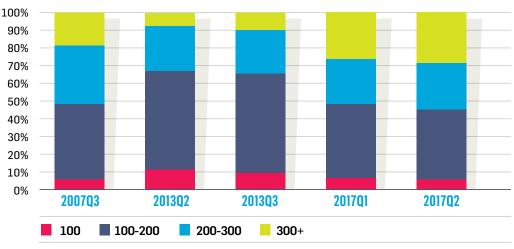


Figure 8: Distribution of weekly rents nationally

Source: RTB data and own calculations using CSO data.

Location

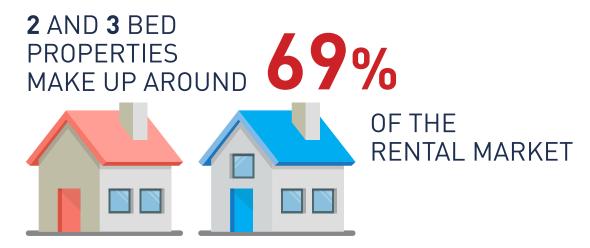
Dublin was still the largest rental market in Q2 2017 accounting for around 37.7 per cent of the total. Compared to Q1 the share of rental properties in Dublin fell again marginally by around 0.3 of a percentage point. In Q3 2007, when rents were at their peak, this was closer to 41 per cent.

Property size and type

In terms of the composition of property types and sizes in the rental market, 2 and 3 bed properties were the most common with 69% of the market share. Two bedroom properties accounted for 36.5 per cent of the total while three bed properties accounted for a further 32.4 per cent. In terms of the housing type, apartments were the most common rental unit accounting for 42 per cent of the total. The second and third most common property types were semi-detached and terraced houses accounting for 25 and 15 per cent of the total. Detached houses made up 11 per cent of the total.

Distribution of rents

Figure 8 shows the distribution of weekly rents on a national basis. On a quarterly basis, the underlying trends have remained relatively stable over the last number of years. The most striking pattern over the last 4 years was the increase in the proportion of rents in the top of the distribution highlighting the general rise in rent costs over the period. 23 per cent of the total stock of rented properties now cost upwards of €300+ per week. This compares to only 9 per cent back in Q3 2013.



Rents and house prices

Both the CSO property price index and the RTB Rent Index for Dublin and outside Dublin increased in the second quarter of 2017 (Figure 7). Further evidence of price pressures for housing in Ireland are evident in the acceleration of house price growth into the second quarter of this year. Supply shortages and pressures continue as housing completions remain below long term levels.

Table 3: The RTB Rent Index - Regional and Accommodation type breakdown (Previous Model), Q3 2007 = 100

		National	National Houses	National Apts	Dublin	Dublin house	Dublin Apt	Outside Dublin	Outside Dublin house	Outside Dublin Apt	Other cities
2007	Q3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	Q4	102.3	100.5	104.3	103.2	99.7	104.5	101.5	101.0	102.6	100.6
2008	Q1	101.8	99.3	104.3	102.6	99.8	103.5	101.2	99.3	104.0	103.6
	Q2	101.3	99.7	102.9	101.3	100.7	101.5	101.1	99.5	103.3	103.1
	Q3	96.0	94.9	98.8	95.2	93.8	97.0	96.3	95.4	98.4	97.3
	Q4	95.5	94.1	97.2	94.9	93.5	94.9	95.6	94.4	97.4	94.6
2009	Q1	91.2	89.6	92.6	89.3	87.9	89.0	92.1	90.5	94.5	93.1
	Q2	87.4	87.0	87.5	85.1	85.5	83.8	88.8	87.7	89.7	90.1
	Q3	84.2	84.9	83.3	81.9	83.4	80.1	85.0	85.4	84.1	84.8
	Q4	81.3	81.4	81.2	79.2	79.9	77.8	82.4	82.2	82.9	80.9
2010	Q1	80.4	80.1	80.6	78.3	78.3	77.2	81.4	81.0	81.7	82.4
	Q2	80.1	79.8	80.6	78.1	78.4	77.2	81.1	80.5	82.0	82.4
	Q3	79.2	80.3	78.3	77.7	79.9	75.7	80.1	80.7	79.2	80.2
	Q4	78.5	78.7	78.6	78.0	78.8	77.3	79.0	79.1	78.6	79.4
2011	Q1	77.7	77.5	78.2	76.7	77.2	76.2	78.1	77.9	78.8	81.1
	Q2	78.2	77.9	78.9	78.2	79.1	77.6	77.9	77.8	78.0	79.1
	Q3	78.9	79.0	78.9	78.8	79.9	77.7	78.7	79.0	78.0	80.8
	Q4	77.8	76.8	79.1	78.7	79.0	78.4	77.1	76.4	78.0	77.6
2012	Q1	76.8	76.0	77.9	77.7	78.4	77.7	76.2	75.4	76.9	77.5
	Q2	78.0	76.8	79.2	79.7	79.5	79.4	76.5	76.2	76.5	78.1
	Q3	78.6	76.1	81.4	80.2	79.1	81.3	76.6	75.1	78.2	78.7
	Q4	77.9	75.3	80.6	81.4	80.0	82.4	75.2	73.5	76.6	78.4
2013	Q1	77.7	75.3	79.8	80.5	79.7	80.7	75.6	73.9	77.1	79.0
	Q2	78.8	75.6	81.9	83.1	81.3	84.3	75.6	73.7	77.1	78.8
	Q3	80.6	78.0	83.1	85.5	84.9	86.0	77.3	75.6	78.5	80.1
	Q4	80.9	77.3	85.0	87.3	85.9	88.7	76.8	74.5	80.1	79.6
2014	Q1	81.1	77.5	85.3	87.6	86.2	89.4	77.2	74.7	80.4	79.6
	Q2	83.6	79.5	88.2	91.8	89.2	94.1	78.6	76.4	81.4	81.3
	Q3	85.2	81.6	89.1	94.0	91.4	96.2	80.1	78.5	81.6	82.9
	Q4	85.5	80.7	90.6	96.2	92.6	98.8	79.4	77.2	81.8	81.3
2015	Q1	86.4	82.1	91.4	95.9	93.3	98.9	80.8	78.8	83.4	82.8
	Q2	88.5	83.7	94.0	99.6	96.1	102.6	82.0	80.0	84.5	85.1
	Q3	91.7	87.5	96.3	102.0	99.6	104.0	85.7	83.8	88.1	90.4
	Q4	93.6	88.5	99.4	103.8	99.9	106.8	87.4	84.9	91.0	91.3
2016	Q1	93.5	88.1	99.9	104.1	100.6	106.9	87.5	84.3	92.7	92.3
	Q2	96.9	91.2	103.5	108.2	103.4	112.2	90.3	87.5	94.1	94.9
	Q3	98.5	93.3	104.6	108.6	102.6	113.6	93.0	90.4	96.2	98.6
	Q4	100.5	93.6	108.9	112.7	105.9	118.4	93.5	89.8	99.1	98.8
2017	Q1	100.5	94.4	107.5	110.7	105.2	114.8	94.7	90.9	100.5	99.9
	Q2	103.6	96.8	111.1	114.4	106.1	119.8	97.6	93.9	102.9	102.7

Note: The data in this table may be revised due to retrospective registrations.

Table 4: The RTB Rent Index Regional and Accommodation Type breakdown (Previous Model), **Quarter on Quarter % change**

		National	National Houses	National Apts	Dublin	Dublin house	Dublin Apt	Outside Dublin	Outside Dublin house	Outside Dublin Apt	Other cities
2007	Q4	2.3	0.5	4.3	3.2	-0.3	4.5	1.5	1.0	2.6	0.6
2008	Q1	-0.5	-1.2	-0.0	-0.6	0.1	-1.0	-0.3	-1.6	1.4	3.0
	Q2	-0.5	0.4	-1.3	-1.3	0.9	-1.9	-0.1	0.2	-0.7	-0.4
	Q3	-5.2	-4.8	-4.0	-6.0	-6.8	-4.4	-4.8	-4.1	-4.8	-5.6
	Q4	-0.5	-0.8	-1.6	-0.3	-0.3	-2.2	-0.7	-1.0	-1.0	-2.8
2009	Q1	-4.6	-4.8	-4.7	-5.9	-6.0	-6.2	-3.6	-4.2	-3.0	-1.6
	Q2	-4.1	-2.9	-5.5	-4.7	-2.7	-5.8	-3.7	-3.0	-5.1	-3.3
	Q3	-3.7	-2.5	-4.8	-3.7	-2.4	-4.4	-4.2	-2.6	-6.2	-5.8
	Q4	-3.4	-4.0	-2.5	-3.4	-4.2	-2.9	-3.1	-3.8	-1.4	-4.6
2010	Q1	-1.1	-1.6	-0.8	-1.1	-2.0	-0.7	-1.2	-1.4	-1.4	1.8
	Q2	-0.3	-0.4	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	0.4	0.0
	Q3	-1.1	0.6	-2.8	-0.6	2.0	-1.9	-1.3	0.2	-3.5	-2.7
	Q4	-1.0	-2.0	0.4	0.4	-1.3	2.1	-1.4	-1.9	-0.8	-1.1
2011	Q1	-1.0	-1.6	-0.5	-1.6	-2.1	-1.5	-1.1	-1.6	0.3	2.2
	Q2	0.6	0.5	0.9	1.9	2.5	1.9	-0.2	-0.1	-1.0	-2.5
	Q3	0.9	1.4	-0.1	0.8	1.0	0.1	1.0	1.6	-0.0	2.2
	Q4	-1.3	-2.7	0.3	-0.2	-1.2	0.8	-2.0	-3.3	-0.0	-4.0
2012	Q1	-1.3	-1.0	-1.5	-1.3	-0.7	-0.9	-1.2	-1.3	-1.5	-0.1
	Q2	1.6	1.1	1.7	2.5	1.4	2.3	0.4	1.0	-0.5	0.8
	Q3	0.7	-0.9	2.7	0.7	-0.5	2.4	0.2	-1.4	2.3	0.8
	Q4	-0.8	-1.1	-1.0	1.5	1.2	1.3	-1.9	-2.1	-2.1	-0.3
2013	Q1	-0.3	0.1	-0.9	-1.1	-0.4	-2.0	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.8
	Q2	1.4	0.4	2.6	3.3	2.0	4.5	0.0	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
	Q3	2.4	3.2	1.5	2.8	4.5	2.0	2.3	2.6	1.8	1.6
0017	Q4	0.3	-0.9	2.3	2.2	1.1	3.1	-0.6	-1.5	1.9	-0.6
2014	Q1	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.4	-0.0
	Q2	3.0	2.6	3.4	4.8	3.4	5.3	1.8	2.2	1.2	2.1
	Q3 Q4	1.9 0.3	2.6	0.9	2.3	2.5	2.2	1.8	2.8	0.2	2.0
2015	Q1	1.1	-1.1 1.8	1.7 0.9	2.4 -0.3	1.3 0.9	0.1	-0.9 1.8	-1.6 2.0	2.0	-1.9 1.9
2013	Q2	2.4	1.9	2.8	3.9	3.0	3.7	1.5	1.6	1.4	2.8
	Q3	3.6	4.5	2.4	2.4	3.6	1.4	4.5	4.7	4.2	6.2
	Q4	2.1	1.1	3.2	1.8	0.3	2.6	2.0	1.3	3.3	1.0
2016	Q1	-0.0	-0.4	0.5	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2	-0.7	1.9	1.0
2010	Q2	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.9	2.9	4.9	3.2	3.8	1.5	2.8
	Q3	1.7	2.3	1.1	0.5	-0.8	1.2	2.9	3.3	2.2	3.9
	Q4	2.0	0.4	4.1	3.7	3.2	4.3	0.5	-0.6	3.0	0.2
2017	Q1	-0.0	0.8	-1.3	-1.7	-0.6	-3.0	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.2
	Q2	3.1	2.6	3.4	3.3	0.9	4.4	3.1	3.3	2.4	2.8

Table 5: The RTB Rent Index - Regional and Accommodation Type Breakdown (Previous Model), Annual % change

		National	National Houses	National Apts	Dublin	Dublin house	Dublin Apt	Outside Dublin	Outside Dublin house	Outside Dublin Apt	Other cities
2008	Q3	-4.0	-5.1	-1.2	-4.8	-6.2	-3.0	-3.7	-4.6	-1.6	-2.7
	Q4	-6.7	-6.4	-6.8	-8.1	-6.1	-9.2	-5.8	-6.5	-5.0	-5.9
2009	Q1	-10.4	-9.7	-11.2	-13.0	-11.9	-14.0	-9.0	-8.9	-9.2	-10.1
	Q2	-13.7	-12.7	-15.0	-16.0	-15.0	-17.5	-12.2	-11.8	-13.2	-12.7
	Q3	-12.3	-10.5	-15.7	-13.9	-11.1	-17.5	-11.7	-10.4	-14.5	-12.9
	Q4	-14.9	-13.5	-16.4	-16.6	-14.5	-18.0	-13.8	-13.0	-14.9	-14.5
2010	Q1	-11.8	-10.6	-13.0	-12.3	-10.9	-13.2	-11.7	-10.5	-13.5	-11.5
	Q2	-8.3	-8.3	-7.9	-8.2	-8.4	-7.9	-8.6	-8.2	-8.5	-8.5
	Q3	-5.9	-5.4	-6.0	-5.2	-4.2	-5.4	-5.8	-5.5	-5.8	-5.4
	Q4	-3.4	-3.4	-3.2	-1.5	-1.4	-0.6	-4.2	-3.7	-5.2	-2.0
2011	Q1	-3.4	-3.3	-2.9	-2.0	-1.4	-1.4	-4.0	-3.9	-3.5	-1.6
	Q2	-2.5	-2.4	-2.1	0.1	1.0	0.6	-3.9	-3.4	-4.9	-4.0
	Q3	-0.5	-1.7	0.7	1.4	0.0	2.6	-1.7	-2.1	-1.5	0.8
	Q4	-0.8	-2.4	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.4	-2.3	-3.5	-0.7	-2.3
2012	Q1	-1.1	-1.9	-0.4	1.3	1.6	2.0	-2.4	-3.1	-2.5	-4.4
	Q2	-0.2	-1.3	0.4	1.9	0.4	2.3	-1.8	-2.0	-2.0	-1.3
	Q3	-0.4	-3.6	3.2	1.8	-1.0	4.6	-2.6	-4.9	0.3	-2.7
	Q4	0.1	-2.0	1.9	3.5	1.3	5.1	-2.5	-3.7	-1.8	1.1
2013	Q1	1.1	-0.9	2.5	3.7	1.7	3.9	-0.8	-2.0	0.3	2.0
	Q2	1.0	-1.6	3.4	4.4	2.3	6.2	-1.2	-3.3	0.9	1.0
	Q3	2.6	2.5	2.1	6.6	7.4	5.8	0.9	0.7	0.4	1.9
	Q4	3.8	2.7	5.5	7.3	7.4	7.6	2.2	1.3	4.5	1.6
2014	Q1	4.4	2.8	6.9	8.8	8.2	10.8	2.2	1.1	4.2	0.7
	Q2	6.1	5.1	7.7	10.4	9.7	11.6	4.0	3.7	5.5	3.1
	Q3	5.7	4.6	7.2	9.9	7.6	11.9	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.5
	Q4	5.7	4.3	6.5	10.1	7.7	11.4	3.3	3.7	2.1	2.1
2015	Q1	6.5	6.0	7.1	9.4	8.2	10.6	4.6	5.4	3.7	4.0
	Q2	5.9	5.3	6.5	8.5	7.7	9.0	4.3	4.8	3.9	4.7
	Q3	7.6	7.3	8.1	8.6	9.0	8.1	7.1	6.7	8.0	9.0
	Q4	9.5	9.7	9.7	8.0	7.9	8.1	10.1	9.9	11.3	12.3
2016	Q1	8.3	7.2	9.3	8.5	7.7	8.2	8.3	7.0	11.2	11.5
	Q2	9.5	8.9	10.1	8.6	7.6	9.4	10.2	9.4	11.3	11.5
	Q3	7.5	6.6	8.6	6.5	2.9	9.1	8.5	7.9	9.2	9.1
	Q4	7.5	5.8	9.6	8.5	6.0	10.9	7.0	5.9	8.8	8.2
2017	Q1	7.4	7.1	7.6	6.4	4.6	7.4	8.1	7.8	8.3	8.2
	Q2	7.0	6.2	7.4	5.8	2.6	6.8	8.0	7.3	9.3	8.2

Table 6: RTB Standardised Rents (Previous Model), based on RTB Rent Index

		National	National	National	Dublin	Dublin	Dublin	Outside	Outside Dublin	Outside
			Houses	Apts		house	Apt	Dublin	house	Dublin Apt
2007	Q3	988	1017	980	1269	1450	1231	820	859	780
	Q4	1011	1023	1021	1310	1445	1287	832	867	800
2008	Q1	1006	1010	1021	1302	1446	1274	830	853	811
	Q2	1000	1014	1008	1285	1459	1250	829	855	806
	Q3	949	965	968	1208	1360	1195	789	819	767
	Q4	944	957	952	1204	1356	1168	784	811	760
2009	Q1	901	912	907	1133	1274	1096	756	777	737
	Q2	864	885	857	1079	1240	1032	728	753	699
	Q3	832	863	816	1040	1210	986	697	734	656
	Q4	803	828	796	1004	1159	958	676	706	646
2010	Q1	794	815	789	993	1135	951	667	696	637
	Q2	792	812	789	991	1136	950	665	691	639
	Q3	783	817	767	986	1158	932	657	693	617
	Q4	776	800	770	989	1143	952	647	680	613
2011	Q1	768	788	766	973	1119	938	640	669	615
	Q2	772	792	773	992	1147	956	639	668	608
	Q3	779	803	772	1000	1158	957	645	678	608
	Q4	769	781	775	998	1145	965	633	656	608
2012	Q1	759	773	763	986	1137	956	625	648	599
	Q2	771	782	776	1011	1152	978	627	654	596
	Q3	776	774	797	1018	1146	1001	628	645	610
	Q4	770	766	789	1033	1160	1014	617	632	597
2013	Q1	767	766	782	1022	1156	994	620	635	601
	Q2	778	769	802	1055	1179	1038	620	633	601
	Q3	796	794	814	1085	1231	1059	634	649	612
	Q4	799	786	833	1108	1245	1092	630	640	624
2014	Q1	801	788	836	1112	1250	1101	633	642	627
	Q2	826	809	864	1165	1293	1159	645	656	634
	Q3	842	830	872	1192	1325	1185	656	674	636
	Q4	845	821	887	1220	1342	1216	651	663	638
2015	Q1	854	836	895	1217	1353	1217	663	677	650
	Q2	874	852	921	1264	1393	1263	672	687	659
	Q3	906	890	943	1294	1444	1281	703	720	687
	Q4	924	900	973	1318	1448	1314	717	729	710
2016	Q1	924	896	978	1320	1458	1317	718	724	723
	Q2	957	928	1014	1372	1499	1381	741	752	734
	Q3	974	949	1024	1379	1487	1398	762	777	750
	Q4	993	952	1067	1430	1535	1458	766	772	772
2017	Q1	993	960	1053	1405	1525	1414	776	781	783
	Q2	1024	985	1088	1451	1538	1475	800	806	802

Note: The standardised rent is based on the average rent in the base period, which is then updated using the values contained in Rent Index table. The data in this table may be revised due to retrospective registrations.

Appendix 1:

Differences between the previous and new methodologies

As stated earlier, the model for estimating rents has changed to allow for analysis at a more granular local level. However, we have committed to producing both models for comparison purposes.

Although there are some differences in the estimation approach between the previously published model and the new version incorporating more detailed location information, the overall path of the national rental index for both approaches are very similar. Figure 9 plots the national Index of rents with the two different approaches. While the Index generated with the new model shows a slightly more rapid decline in rents at the start of 2008, from 2012 onwards, the two indices overlap almost completely. Other key statistics between the two different rent indicators are very similar. For example, both indicators had a peak value in Q4 2007, while the trough or lowest point was in Q1 2012.

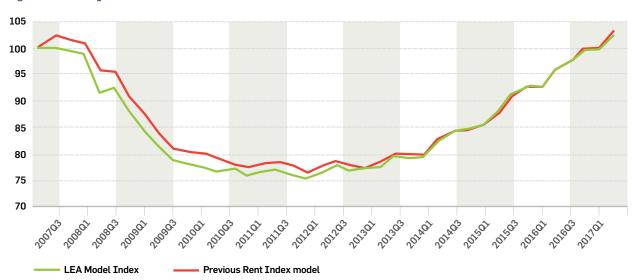


Figure 9: Comparison of Models (National Index Q3 2007 = 100)

In Table 7 we summarise the results of the Index for both the new (LEA) and previous approaches along with the corresponding year-on-year and quarter-on-quarter growth rates. According to the new Index, overall rents increased by 6.61 per cent year-on-year for Q2 2017, down from the previous quarter's growth rate. On a quarterly basis, the Index increased by 2.89 per cent compared to Q1 2017.

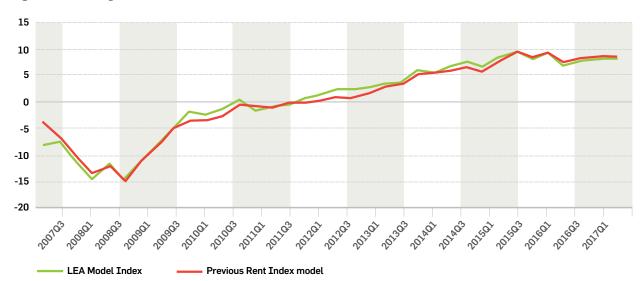
Table 7: Summary of National Index for the New and Previous Model

		New Rent	Index Mode		Р	revious Re	ent Index M	odel
Period	Index	€	Year- on-Year	Quarter- on- Quarter	Index	€	Year- on-Year	Quarter- on- Quarter
2007Q3	100.00	988.09			100.00	988.09		
2007Q4	100.04	988.47		0.04%	102.34	1011.26		2.34%
2008Q1	99.90	987.09		-0.14%	101.81	1006.01		-0.52%
2008Q2	99.40	982.16		-0.50%	101.25	1000.48		-0.55%
2008Q3	91.88	907.83	-8.12%	-7.57%	96.02	948.73	-3.98%	-5.17%
2008Q4	92.85	917.41	-7.19%	1.06%	95.53	943.95	-6.66%	-0.50%
2009Q1	88.46	874.07	-11.45%	-4.72%	91.18	900.98	-10.44%	-4.55%
2009Q2	84.69	836.86	-14.79%	-4.26%	87.41	863.73	-13.67%	-4.13%
2009Q3	81.45	804.85	-11.34%	-3.82%	84.17	831.68	-12.34%	-3.71%
2009Q4	79.21	782.63	-14.69%	-2.76%	81.27	803.07	-14.92%	-3.44%
2010Q1	78.26	773.29	-11.53%	-1.19%	80.39	794.30	-11.84%	-1.09%
2010Q2	77.87	769.44	-8.06%	-0.50%	80.14	791.90	-8.32%	-0.30%
2010Q3	77.10	761.78	-5.35%	-1.00%	79.24	782.97	-5.86%	-1.13%
2010Q4	77.72	767.90	-1.88%	0.80%	78.49	775.51	-3.43%	-0.95%
2011Q1	76.33	754.20	-2.47%	-1.78%	77.68	767.58	-3.36%	-1.02%
2011Q2	76.79	758.74	-1.39%	0.60%	78.16	772.31	-2.47%	0.62%
2011Q3	77.33	764.07	0.30%	0.70%	78.86	779.22	-0.48%	0.89%
2011Q4	76.41	754.96	-1.69%	-1.19%	77.83	769.01	-0.84%	-1.31%
2012Q1	75.57	746.70	-1.00%	-1.09%	76.80	758.87	-1.14%	-1.32%
2012Q2	76.48	755.71	-0.40%	1.21%	77.99	770.65	-0.21%	1.55%
2012Q3	77.79	768.67	0.60%	1.71%	78.55	776.18	-0.39%	0.72%
2012Q4	77.25	763.31	1.11%	-0.70%	77.92	769.90	0.12%	-0.81%
2013Q1	77.25	763.31	2.22%	0.00%	77.66	767.37	1.12%	-0.33%
2013Q2	78.18	772.52	2.22%	1.21%	78.75	778.16	0.97%	1.41%
2013Q3	80.16	792.08	3.05%	2.53%	80.61	796.50	2.62%	2.36%
2013Q4	80.16	792.08	3.77%	0.00%	80.88	799.17	3.80%	0.33%
2014Q1	80.40	794.46	4.08%	0.30%	81.11	801.48	4.45%	0.29%
2014Q2	83.02	820.29	6.18%	3.25%	83.56	825.63	6.10%	3.01%
2014Q3	84.53	835.19	5.44%	1.82%	85.18	841.70	5.67%	1.95%
2014Q4	85.29	842.74	6.40%	0.90%	85.47	844.54	5.68%	0.34%
2015Q1	86.41	853.77	7.47%	1.31%	86.38	853.51	6.49%	1.06%
2015Q2	88.37	873.19	6.45%	2.28%	88.49	874.35	5.90%	2.44%
2015Q3	91.18	900.96	7.87%	3.18%	91.67	905.78	7.61%	3.59%
2015Q4	93.18	920.72	9.25%	2.19%	93.56	924.41	9.46%	2.06%
2016Q1	93.30	921.92	7.98%	0.13%	93.54	924.31	8.30%	-0.01%
2016Q2	96.56	954.08	9.26%	3.49%	96.86	957.02	9.45%	3.54%
2016Q3	97.41	962.55	6.84%	0.89%	98.54	973.64	7.49%	1.74%
2016Q4	100.01	988.17	7.33%	2.66%	100.53	993.34	7.46%	2.02%
2017Q1	100.05	988.57	7.23%	0.04%	100.50	993.03	7.43%	-0.03%
2017Q2	102.94	1017.15	6.61%	2.89%	103.62	1023.87	6.99%	3.11%

Note: The period 2007Q3 through to 2008Q2, in the Year-on-Year column, are empty as year on year data collection began in 2007Q3.

In Figure 10, we plot the year-on-year growth rates for the new and previous models. It is evident from the graph that both approaches yield very similar results.

Figure 10: Comparison of Models (Year on Year Growth Rate %)



Appendix 2: Technical appendix

In the previous report, a technical appendix was provided which compared the new and previous approaches to estimating the RTB rental Index.

In this edition, the technical appendix provides more details on the methodological approach of the new method as well as providing the rationale for some refinements that have been made since the previous publication.

As was documented previously, for the new index, an econometric model is estimated over the entire time period (Q3 2007 to Q2 2017) which includes characteristic variables for the number of bedrooms, the property type, number of tenants, tenancy length and other characteristics. For these variables, the reference property type is a 2-bedroom apartment, 1 tenant, 10 to 12 month lease, rent paid monthly in a region without a third-level institution.

To derive the Index, time dummy variables are then included in the hedonic regression to capture the change in the Index for each LEA. It is necessary to conduct the estimation in this manner as there are not enough registered tenancy agreements (observations) for each LEA to run the model in the rolling manner as per the previous Index. The number of observations per LEA for Q1 2017 and Q2 2017 are presented in the Table A.2.

With the new model, the characteristic variables capture the changing mix of properties between time periods while the time dummies capture changes in the price or rent of a constant quality representative dwelling. A mix adjusted Index is then calculated based on the time dummy coefficients. An assumption of this approach is that the implicit price of characteristics remains constant over time. Given that a separate dummy for each LEA for each quarter is estimated, this necessitates an additional (38 * 137 = 5,206) variables in the model. However, the model can cope with this as using the entire sample results in approximately 950,000 observations. Other than these LEA dummies, the new model has all of the other variables currently in the previous model. Consequently, the new model also includes controls for the size and type of house/apartment, length of tenancy, number of tenants, frequency of rent payment and presence of a third-level institution. As the model is estimated on the full sample with the new quarter's data added each time, it could be the case that coefficients change over time and that this could affect the historical rents. The differences in coefficients between Q1 2017 and Q2 2017 are in Table A.1. Most coefficients are similar with some minor changes.

Given the small number of observations in many of the LEAs, careful data management strategies must be employed to ensure statistical robustness. In line with national statistical good practise, we follow a number of steps in terms of data preparation and estimation. First, to deal with the influence of outliers (extreme values) on the estimates at an LEA area we employ a systematic process to identify and evaluate the effect of such extreme values. The methodology uses Proc GLM (in SAS) to calculate influence statistics for each observation. This process uses the Cook's Distance statistic. The conventional cut off for Cook's D is 4/Number of observations, this is used identify the extreme values in the dataset. Given the inclusion of accurate LEA identifiers, outlier analysis is carried out for the Rent per Month for each property separately for each of the 137 LEAs. For the outlier checks each property is classified as an apartment or not. The Start Quarter for each rental agreement is used as the covariate variable in the regression analysis. For Q2 2017 the process identified 20,117 outliers in the overall dataset of 1,046,573, approximately 2% of the observations. This methodology is different from that used in the Q4 2016 Index and has led to some revisions in the historical estimates.

Furthermore, where an LEA has less than 30 observations in a specific time period, from Q1 2017, no estimates are presented for this unit. These areas are marked with an * in the table below and in the main report.

Table A1: Comparison of Model Estimates

	LEA Model Q1 2017	LEA Model Q2 2017
1 Bedroom	-0.214	-0.215
3 Bedrooms	0.112	0.113
4 Bedrooms	0.216	0.219
5 bedrooms	0.250	0.258
Detached	0.013	0.011
Semi-Det.	0.002	0.000
Terrace	-0.021	-0.022
Other Property	-0.303	-0.305
Part House	-0.239	-0.245
2 Tenants	0.047	0.047
3 Tenants	0.063	0.062
4+ Tenants	0.069	0.069
1-6 months tenancy	-0.030	-0.031
7-9 months tenancy	-0.082	-0.079
Over 1 year tenancy	-0.057	-0.057
Fortnightly rent	-0.056	-0.052
Yearly rent	-0.111	-0.120
Quarterly rent	0.129	0.113
Third level	-0.003	-0.006
Time * LEA	Yes	Yes
Adjusted R-squared	0.677	0.677
Observations	982,890	1,011,462

The methodology generates an Index of rent growth. From Q1 2017, the Index is based in Q4 2007 for each LEA. To estimate current standardised rent levels in each LEA (i.e. rent levels that take into account the different composition of rental properties), we apply the growth rate generated by the model to an initial average value of rents in each LEA. These are compared to a national average rent generated on the same basis.

A number of points should be noted with the methodology. First, for each quarter, the new tenancy agreements are added to the dataset and the Index is estimated again from scratch. Furthermore, where late tenancies have been registered with the RTB after the publication of a previous report but relate to historical time periods, these will be included in the updated Index thus allowing for retrospective revisions of historical growth rates as would be the case with other national statistical producers (Central Bank and Central Statistics Office). In this context, each publication will provide provisional growth rates for the current quarter and revised estimates for the previous quarter at the LEA level. These are presented in table A.2 below.

Given the small number of observations in many LEAs, it is not unexpected that there could be some volatility in the average rents, growth rates and Index number over time. This is due to the fact that where there are a small number of observations for an LEA, minor fluctuations in the number of observations can have a large influence on estimates and, over time, changes to the number, structure, and type of agreements can lead to large quarter-on-quarter changes. It could also be the case that the retrospective addition of late registered tenancies can have a large effect on the sample size for some areas. In this regard, large revisions and considerable swings in estimated standardised rents can occur for different LEAs. The inclusion of additional observations may also change some of the base coefficients if changes in composition occur.

Table A.2: Updated Revised Estimates for 2017Q1 and Number of Observations by LEA for 2017Q1 and Q2 2017

National Standardised Rents	Q1 2017 (Revised)		Q2 2017 (Provisional Estimate)		
	Standardised Average Rent	No of Agreements	Standardised Average Rent	No of Agreements	
NATIONAL	989	22,084	1017	19,071	
CARLOW (10)	725	204	771	176	
MUINEBEAG (8)	727	39	709	41	
CAVAN - BELTURBET (6)	541	146	565	101	
BAILIEBOROUGH - COOTEHILL (6)	573	36	566	43	
BALLYJAMESDUFF (6)	599	70	693	35	
WEST CLARE (8)	551	84	542	56	
KILLALOE (6)	658	53	673	36	
SHANNON (6)	699	91	740	69	
ENNIS (8)	680	158	698	165	
KANTURK - MALLOW (6)	680	191	730	112	
FERMOY (6)	682	133	715	118	
EAST CORK (6)	836	192	819	143	
COBH (7)	1006	208	1063	155	
BALLINCOLLIG - CARRIGALINE (10)	1179	426	1199	391	
BANDON - KINSALE (6)	956	141	934	161	
WEST CORK (8)	687	220	708	186	
BLARNEY - MACROOM (6)	895	102	881	93	
GLENTIES (6)	363	30	*	*	
LETTERKENNY (10)	598	289	612	227	
INISHOWEN (9)	413	72	411	65	
STRANORLAR (6)	495	74	509	53	
DONEGAL (6)	491	59	526	43	
CONAMARA (9)	691	83	746	55	
TUAM (9)	616	109	662	102	
BALLINASLOE (6)	497	73	599	48	
LOUGHREA (8)	641	137	656	91	
ATHENRY - ORANMORE (7)	858	148	902	117	
GALWAY CITY WEST (6)	1076	211	1036	199	
GALWAY CITY CENTRAL (6)	1058	238	1084	221	
GALWAY CITY EAST (6)	959	271	1009	248	
LISTOWEL (7)	569	64	590	62	
TRALEE (9)	671	272	692	215	
KILLARNEY (8)	690	169	756	146	
SOUTH AND WEST KERRY (9)	629	107	629	104	
MAYNOOTH (9)	1218	218	1260	207	
CELBRIDGE -LEIXLIP (7)	1258	136	1295	105	
NAAS (9)	1183	226	1190	159	

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Athy (6)	758	143	797	102	
Kildare -Newbridge (9)	994	212	990	174	
Castlecomer (6)	569	33	613	30	
Kilkenny City East (6)	832	110	847	82	
Piltown (6)	800	51	796	53	
Kilkenny Citywest (6)	888	119	860	105	
Cork City North Central	1022	178	1024	167	
Cork City North East	876	133	843	127	
Cork City North West	1135	39	1065	40	
Cork City South Central	1102	280	1146	258	
Cork City South East	1132	174	1154	121	
Cork City South West	1096	102	1118	109	
Borris-In-Ossory -Mountmellick (6)	648	53	745	42	
Portlaoise (7)	747	184	789	128	
Graiguecullen -Portarlington (6)	773	81	794	70	
Manorhamilton (6)	482	32	*	*	
Ballinamore (6)	*	*	*	*	
Carrick-On-Shannon (6)	519	65	569	54	
Newcastle West (6)	501	74	464	52	
Adare - Rathkeale (6)	819	32	783	36	
Cappamore - Kilmallock (7)	622	57	664	52	
Limerick City West (7)	919	334	946	273	
Limerick City North (6)	856	122	875	103	
Limerick Cityeast (8)	876	212	948	196	
Granard (6)	521	32	*	*	
Ballymahon (6)	552	59	588	71	
Longford (6)	565	132	583	96	
Dundalk Carlingford (6)	734	90	726	96	
Dundalk South (7)	934	138	941	120	
Ardee (6)	776	62	785	42	
Drogheda (10)	976	219	1036	180	
Ballina (8)	568	107	592	93	
Claremorris (7)	553	107	558	76	
Castlebar (8)	599	152	590	112	
West Mayo (7)	639	92	663	85	
Kells (7)	741	81	754	68	
Laytown -Bettystown (7)	1099	109	1203	124	

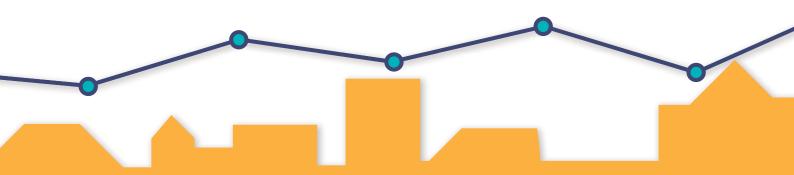
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NATIONAL	989	22,084	1017	19,071	
Ashbourne (6)	1060	73	1057	67	
Ratoath (7)	1248	89	1281	67	
Trim (6)	872	73	975	75	
Navan (7)	919	151	926	137	
Monaghan (6)	571	60	588	64	
Carrickmacross -Castleblayney (6)	679	73	663	56	
Ballybay -Clones (6)	*	*	*	*	
Birr (6)	486	69	484	37	
Tullamore (7)	636	123	680	113	
Edenderry (6)	746	53	746	45	
Boyle (6)	457	106	502	87	
Roscommon (6)	577	101	617	67	
Athlone (6)	703	39	646	35	
Ballymote - Tobercurry (8)	477	56	512	63	
Sligo (10)	639	212	650	251	
Nenagh (9)	664	125	648	118	
Templemore -Thurles (9)	549	115	557	112	
Carrick-On-Suir (6)	572	40	627	49	
Clonmel (9)	667	182	689	162	
Cashel -Tipperary (7)	626	98	656	81	
Dungarvan -Lismore (8)	655	95	697	111	
Comeragh (6)	*	*	*	*	
Tramore - Waterfordcity West (6)	657	188	662	147	
Waterford Citysouth (6)	675	103	719	104	
Waterford Cityeast (6)	784	152	828	130	
Athlone (7)	681	203	700	167	
Mullingar - Kilbeggan (6)	676	108	697	117	
Mullingar - Coole (7)	687	107	704	109	
Gorey (8)	749	137	759	133	
Enniscorthy (8)	617	120	622	101	
New Ross (8)	661	131	644	83	
Wexford (10)	690	251	719	228	
Baltinglass (6)	923	62	893	64	
Bray (8)	1246	162	1282	111	
Greystones (6)	1346	108	1480	84	
Wicklow (6)	1141	78	1046	77	
Arklow (6)	853	89	937	77	

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NATIONAL	989	22,084	1017	19,071	
Balbriggan (8)	1137	214	1153	173	
Swords (9)	1390	309	1354	265	
Mulhuddart (8)	1298	249	1380	229	
Castleknock (7)	1497	296	1503	257	
Howth - Malahide (8)	1580	284	1638	232	
Stillorgan (6)	2052	193	1944	127	
Dundrum (7)	1813	170	1859	193	
Glencullen - Sandyford (7)	1769	370	1796	342	
Killiney - Shankill (6)	1610	83	1650	88	
Dãšn Laoghaire (8)	1696	340	1752	329	
Blackrock (6)	1695	207	1805	206	
Lucan (8)	1441	256	1460	202	
Tallaght Central (6)	1285	207	1303	187	
Templeogue - Terenure (6)	1615	134	1599	90	
Rathfarnham (6)	1629	107	1716	89	
Tallaght South (6)	1319	142	1381	116	
Clondalkin (8)	1300	169	1278	160	
Ballymun (7)	1357	247	1359	217	
Cabra - Finglas (7)	1305	358	1317	289	
Ballyfermot - Drimnagh (6)	1385	295	1424	238	
Crumlin - Kimmage (6)	1158	659	1399	433	
Rathgar - Rathmines (6)	1328	705	1303	683	
Pembroke - South Dock (8)	1696	940	1729	941	
North Inner City (8)	1346	931	1368	785	
Clontarf (6)	1409	298	1478	236	
Beaumont - Donaghmede (9)	1379	237	1418	215	

Note: * indicates that rents in areas with less than 30 observations are not published for statistical reasons.







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