

Ireland

Ethnicity in Ireland

Power relations

The majority of the Irish population is Roman-Catholic and a minority of 3 percent is Anglican. "Whereas at the beginning of the twentieth century southern Protestants were a national minority with their own ethnic symbols, myth of history and political programme, today they are essentially a denominational minority, distinguished from the majority mainly in terms of religious practice and belief" (¹⁶⁵⁴, 59) Further, in 1997, "surveys continued to convey the impression of Irish tolerance of ethnic [and religious] minorities" (ibid: 46). Political distinctions along ethnic lines do not seem to play a role.

¹⁶⁵⁴ [Coakley Gallagher 2010]

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Political status of ethnic groups in Ireland

From 1946 until 2013

Group name	Proportional size	Political status
Irish	1.0	IRRELEVANT



Figure 379: Political status of ethnic groups in Ireland during 1946-2013.