## Appendix 1 Exposure data from the SLÁN survey<sup>1</sup>

Map APP1.1 Percentage of population below 60% of Map APP1.2 Percentage of population in social class 6 median equivalised income



Map APP1.3 Percentage of population in highest quintile of household equivalised income<sup>2</sup>

Map APP1.4 Percentage of population covered by private health insurance



<sup>1</sup> Data kindly provided by the SLÁN research group (http://www.slan06.ie/team.htm; Morgan et al, 2008)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Modified OECD equivalence scale

and vegetable intake (<5 servings daily)



Map APP1.5 Percentage of population with low fruit Map APP1.6 Percentage of population with low fibre intake (<25g fibre daily)



Map APP1.7 Percentage of population with high intake of red and processed meat (>300g/week)

Map APP1.8 Percentage of population who have heavy alcohol consumption (≥14 units per week)

12.01 - 13.33

13.34 - 15.38

15.39 - 17.86

17.87 - 21.43

21.44 - 26.67



(body mass index>30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>)

Map APP1.9 Percentage of population who are obese Map APP1.10 Percentage of population who are current smokers (daily or occasional smokers)









Source: Fennell et al, 2002

# Appendix 2 ED characteristics and cancer incidence: summary tables

Tables APP2.1 and APP2.2 summarise, for males and females separately, the results of the modelling of the associations between ED characteristics and cancer incidence, by site of cancer. The modelling methods are described in section 2.2.3.

Table APP2.1 Summary relative risks, with 95% confidence intervals, by area characteristic and cancer site - males											
	all <sup>1</sup>	non-melanoma skin	colorectal	lung	prostate	stomach	bladder	melanoma	head and neck	oesophagus	
deprivation <sup>2</sup>	1.12*	0.80*	1.06*	1.72*	0.85*	1.28*	1.09	0.66*	1.78*	1.22*	
	(1.09,1.14)	(0.77,0.83)	(1.00,1.12)	(1.63,1.83)	(0.81,0.89)	(1.16,1.42)	(0.99,1.20)	(0.58,0.76)	(1.60,1.98)	(1.07,1.39)	
population density <sup>3</sup>	1.23* (1.20,1.25)	1.15* (1.12,1.19)	1.22* (1.16,1.28)	1.62* (1.53,1.71)		1.45* (1.32,1.58)	1.39* (1.28,1.52)	1.21* (1.06,1.39)	1.26* (1.11,1.42)	1.21* (1.09,1.35)	
% unemployed <sup>4</sup>								0.87 (0.72,1.05)			
% early school leavers <sup>4</sup>			0.99 (0.93,1.06)	1.21* (1.12,1.30)		1.37* (1.20,1.56)		0.69* (0.57,0.83)			
% lower social class <sup>4</sup>	1.05* (1.02,1.08)	0.86* (0.82,0.90)			0.88* (0.83,0.93)		1.13* (1.02,1.25)		1.35* (1.16,1.58)		
% overcrowded <sup>4</sup>	1.05* (1.02,1.08)	0.82* (0.79,0.86)		1.34* (1.26,1.43)	0.91* (0.86,0.96)	1.11 (0.99,1.24)		0.87 (0.73,1.03)	1.16* (1.03,1.30)		
% local authority housing <sup>4</sup>				1.26* (1.17,1.36)							
% with no car⁴					0.90* (0.85,0.95)				1.41* (1.19,1.66)		
% aged 65+ living alone <sup>4</sup>	1.15* (1.13,1.18)	1.10* (1.06,1.14)	1.15* (1.09,1.22)	1.23* (1.16,1.30)	1.14* (1.08,1.20)	1.11* (1.00,1.24)	1.12* (1.00,1.24)	1.16* (1.00,1.35)	1.23* (1.09,1.39)	1.28* (1.12,1.47)	
% agricultural workers⁴	0.79* (0.77,0.80)	0.78* (0.76,0.80)	0.79* (0.75,0.84)	0.52* (0.49,0.55)		0.63* (0.56,0.70)	0.64* (0.58,0.71)	0.85* (0.76,0.94)	0.77* (0.68,0.86)	0.78* (0.71,0.86)	
% non-manual workers <sup>4</sup>					1.21* (1.14,1.27)						

<sup>1</sup> all malignant cancers (excluding non-melanoma skin cancer); <sup>2</sup> Relative risk of cancer in the most compared to the least deprived areas adjusted for population density; <sup>3</sup> Adjusted relative risks for areas with the highest density (>20 pa/ha) compared to areas with the lowest density (<1 pa/ha); <sup>4</sup> Adjusted relative risks for areas in the highest quartile compared to the lowest quartile; \*p<0.05

# 5 Geographical distribution of other cancers

patterns were weak and no inference can be drawn from them. common in the east and incidence of ovarian cancer was slightly higher in the southeast. However, all of these leukaemia had a slightly higher incidence in the southwest, lymphoma and cancers of the kidney were more nervous system, no clear geographical variation was evident. Cancers of the pancreas, corpus uteri and Maps 15.1-15.7 show the smoothed relative risks for seven other cancer sites. For cancers of the brain and central

## **Appendix 3 Summary statistics for the maps**

Table APP3.1 provides summary statistics for the maps for each cancer site, for males and female separately where relevant. The average number of cases per ED and the mean crude and smoothed RRs are shown, together with the minimum and maximum values, to give some idea of the range of risk estimates observed.

Cancer site	no. of cases per ED				crude RR				Smoothed RR			
	mean		(min-max)		mean <sup>2</sup>		(min-max)		mean <sup>2</sup>		(min-max)	
	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males	females	males
all malignant cancers <sup>1</sup>	17.5	18.4	(0 - 358)	(0 - 351)	0.96	0.96	(0 - 5.76)	(0 - 3.42)	0.96	0.97	(0-1.35)	(0-1.52)
non-melanoma skin	6.5	7.2	(0 - 194)	(0 - 175)	0.88	0.94	(0 - 5.90)	(0 - 5.47)	0.90	0.94	(0-2.16)	(0-1.85)
breast	5.1	-	(0 - 113)	-	0.93	-	(0 - 6.79)	-	0.96	-	(0-1.28)	-
colorectal	2.2	2.9	(0 - 46)	(0 - 54)	0.99	0.94	(0 - 9.28)	(0 - 7.81)	0.98	0.97	(0-1.46)	(0-1.44)
lung	1.6	2.9	(0 - 37)	(0 - 46)	0.81	0.91	(0-11.20)	(0-10.73)	0.86	0.92	(0-2.49)	(0-2.73)
prostate	-	4.2	-	(0 - 80)	-	0.99	-	(0 - 6.80)	-	0.99		(0-1.61)
lymphoma	0.7	0.8	(0 - 15)	(0 - 17)	1.03	1.00	(0 - 36.82)	(0 - 15.17)	0.99 <sup>3</sup>		(0-1.37)	
stomach	0.5	0.8	(0 - 13)	(0 - 11)	0.96	0.96	(0 - 30.16)	(0 - 19.70)	0.94	0.95	(0-2.25)	(0-1.79)
bladder	0.4	0.9	(0 - 10)	(0 - 19)	0.98	0.90	(0 - 29.18)	(0 - 11.39)	0.97	0.95	(0-1.29)	(0-1.4)
melanoma of the skin	0.7	0.4	(0 - 16)	(0 - 16)	0.97	0.87	(0 - 18.40)	(0 - 5.66)	0.95	0.95	(0-1.78)	(0-1.9)
leukaemia	0.4	0.6	(0 - 12)	(0 - 12)	1.04	1.02	(0 - 34.42)	(0 - 17.60)	1.01 <sup>3</sup>		(0-1.14)	
head and neck	0.3	0.8	(0 - 9)	(0 - 16)	0.88	0.91	(0 - 28.22)	(0 - 17.69)	0.96	0.93	(0-1.24)	(0-2.8)
pancreas	0.5	0.5	(0 - 20)	(0 - 11)	1.00	1.04	(0 - 34.85)	(0 - 22.85)	1.01 <sup>3</sup>		(0-1.14)	
ovary	1.0	-	(0 - 18)	-	1.00		(0 - 30.49)	(0 - 6.80)	1.01	-	(0-1.06)	-
brain and other CNS	0.4	0.5	(0 - 10)	(0 - 10)	0.96	1.00	(0 - 31.98)	(0 - 21.78)	1.00 <sup>3</sup>		(0-1.04)	
kidney	0.3	0.5	(0 - 6)	(0 - 13)	0.94	0.95	(0 - 29.97)	(0 - 17.79)	0.98 <sup>3</sup>		(0-1.15)	
oesophagus	0.3	0.5	(0 - 7)	(0 - 15)	1.00	0.99	(0 - 32.15)	(0 - 25.51)	0.97	0.98	(0-1.38)	(0-1.36)
corpus uteri	0.7	-	(0 - 12)	-	1.04	-	(0 - 31.97)	-	1.01	-	(0-1.18)	-
cervix uteri	0.5	-	(0 - 19)	-	0.88	-	(0 - 23.75)	-	0.96	-	(0-1.75)	-

Table APP3.1 Summary statistics for each cancer site mapped: number of cases per ED, crude and smoothed RRs, with mean, minimum and maximum values

<sup>1</sup> excludes non-melanoma skin cancer; <sup>2</sup> mean relative risk (RR) across EDs, not weighted by population distribution (mean RR weighted by population is always 1.0); <sup>3</sup> smoothed RRs computed for males and females combined

Appendix 4 County and district council boundaries in Ireland



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