

Clarina-Ballybrown Community Council

Section 1 - Community Profile

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1. Introduction to Clarina-Ballybrown

Clarina Village

Clarina (Clár Aidhne) is a small village in the townland of Ballybrown, in the northern portion of the parish of Patrickswell, County Limerick. Located along the N69, approximately 9km west of Limerick City, Ballybrown is a rural community that has expanded in recent years due to its proximity to Limerick City. The River Mague, a tributary of the River Shannon, is west of the village, in the direction of Askeaton, 19km distant. The Barnakyle River, which flows east to the Mague, borders the southern edge of the parish.

See Maps 1 and 2 for Clarina Village and Ballybrown Townland.

Catchment Area

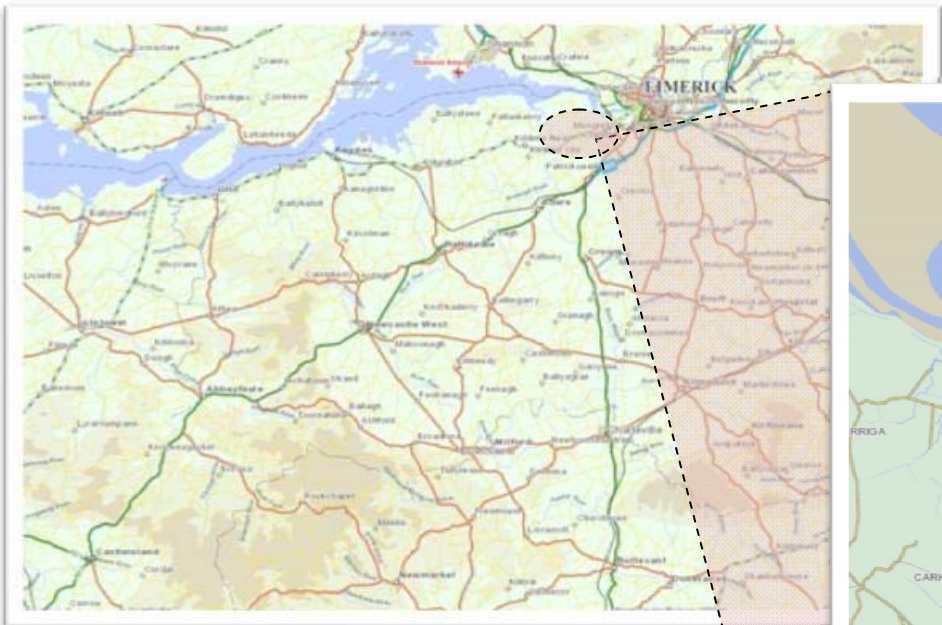
The catchment area identified for the purposes of this document extends beyond Clarina into surrounding areas that have, traditionally, associated themselves with the Village. Based upon this catchment area, the local community, including population and demographic profile, extends into the wider Ballybrown Townland and Clarina DED. For the purposes of this document, it also includes the Carrig DED, north of Clarina Village, which, by virtue of the road structure, is linked closely to the Village, School, proposed Resource Centre and other local amenities.

While it is accepted that, on a day-to-day basis, Clarina Village and its immediate environs form the primary catchment area for the Clarina-Ballybrown Community Council, any future actions and developments will affect the community in the wider catchment area. This assumption is also supported by feedback from the community survey (discussed in Section 2) which recommended the inclusion of the wider community in future activities.

See Maps 3 and 4 for the wider Catchment Area.

Note: Regarding Map 4, on visual inspection, the catchment area appears to extend well North of Clarina Village, while only extending slightly beyond the Village in other directions. The reason for this is due to the fact that the areas North of the Village are not densely populated and, using the road network, are linked to the area adjacent to the Village. However, in other directions outside the Village environs, the communities tend to be linked to other population centres, e.g. Patrickswell, Limerick City, etc. This limits the catchment area surrounding the Village itself.

Location of Clarina-Ballybrown

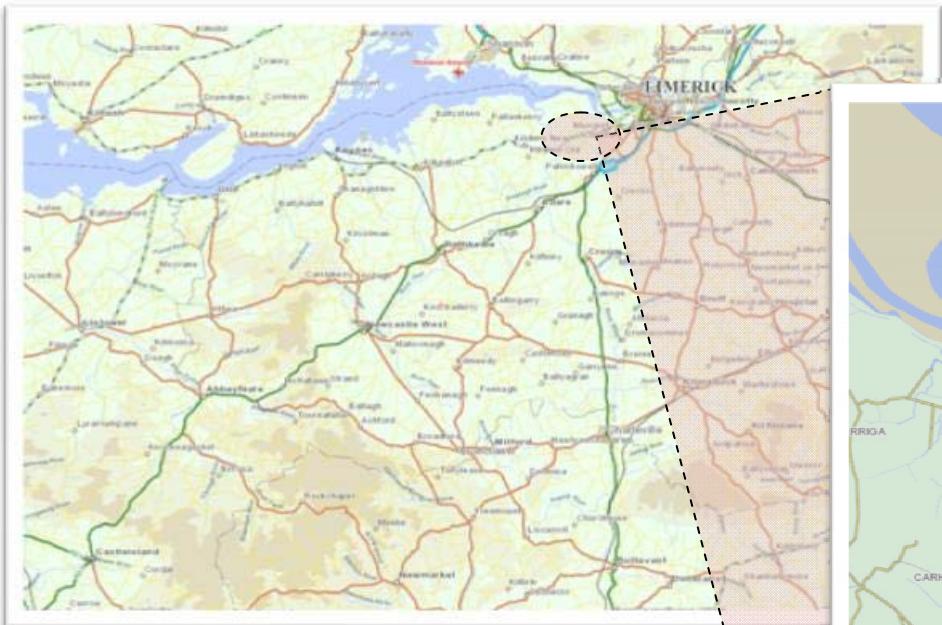


Map 2 Clarina-Ballybrown and Limerick County

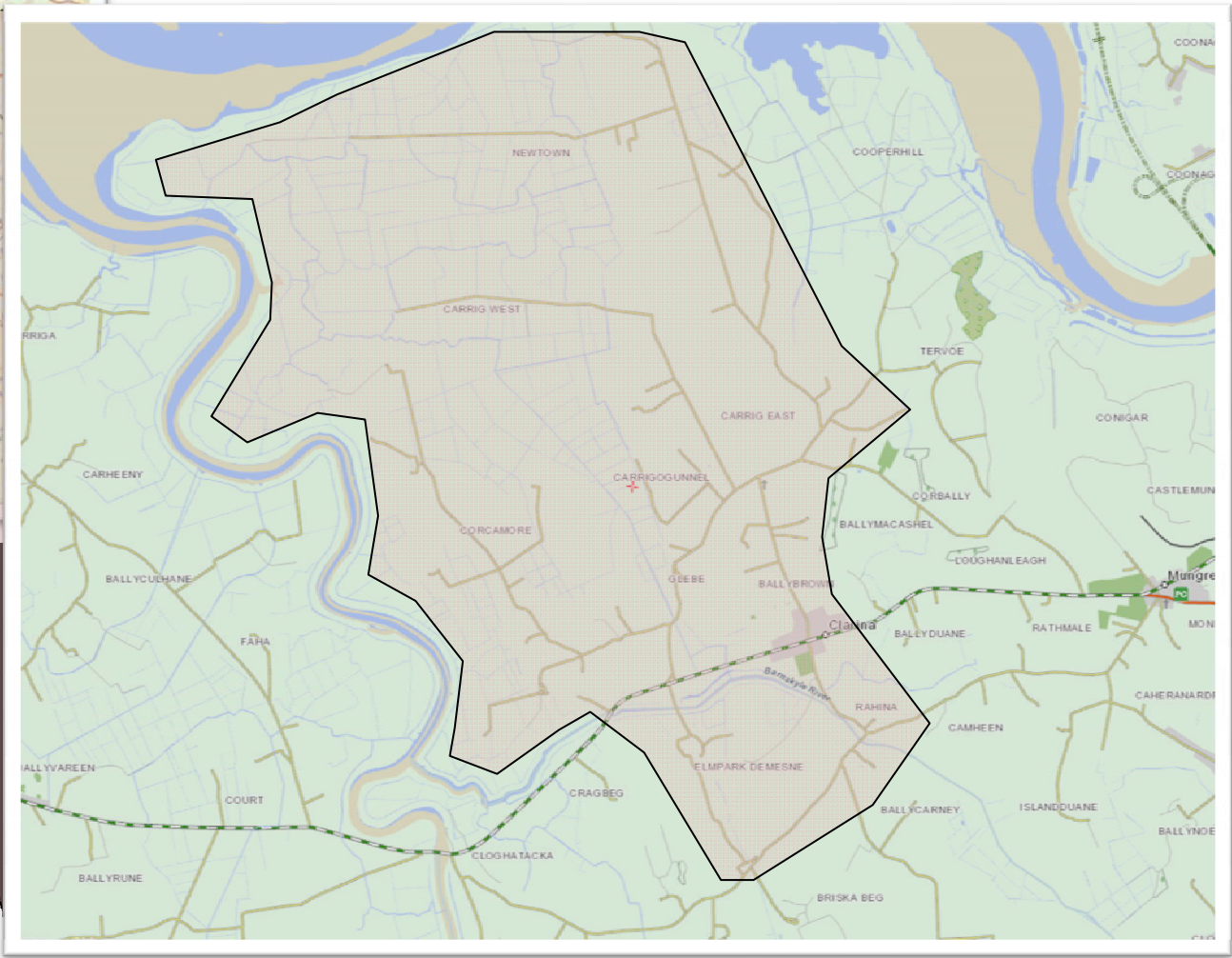


Map 1 Clarina Village and Ballybrown Townland

Extended Catchment Area of Clarina-Ballybrown



Map 3 Clarina-Ballybrown and Limerick County



Map 4 Clarina-Ballybrown extended catchment area

Demographic and Socio Economic Profile

Clarina Village

Based on the Census 2006, the population of Clarina Village is recorded as 216 people, which classifies it as a Tier 5 Settlement¹ under the Limerick County Development Plan 2010-2016.

Wider Catchment Area

Using the wider catchment area described in the previous section, and illustrated on Map 4 above, the population for the community beyond the village itself is 1,650 persons for Clarina Electoral Division and 590 persons for the Carrig Electoral Division to the North of the Village.

Category	Male	Female	Total
058 Carrig	298	292	590
060 Clarina	843	807	1,650
Total	1,141	1,099	2,240

Further analysis of the population, based on male and female numbers, is provided in the tables below.

Male	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 to 44	45 to 49	50 to 54	55 to 59	60 to 64	65 to 69	70 to 74	75 to 79	80 to 84	85+	Total
058 Carrig	20	24	21	26	18	19	20	20	18	24	20	28	14	9	7	5	2	3	298
060 Clarina	64	71	66	68	48	51	60	65	72	66	47	58	30	24	15	17	15	6	843
Total	84	95	87	94	66	70	80	85	90	90	67	86	44	33	22	22	17	9	1,141

Female	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 to 44	45 to 49	50 to 54	55 to 59	60 to 64	65 to 69	70 to 74	75 to 79	80 to 84	85+	Total
058 Carrig	21	18	22	22	15	19	19	23	16	21	27	25	13	11	5	3	7	5	292
060 Clarina	57	51	61	63	43	51	61	52	71	67	63	44	35	20	21	20	13	14	807
Total	78	69	83	85	58	70	80	75	87	88	90	69	48	31	26	23	20	19	1,099

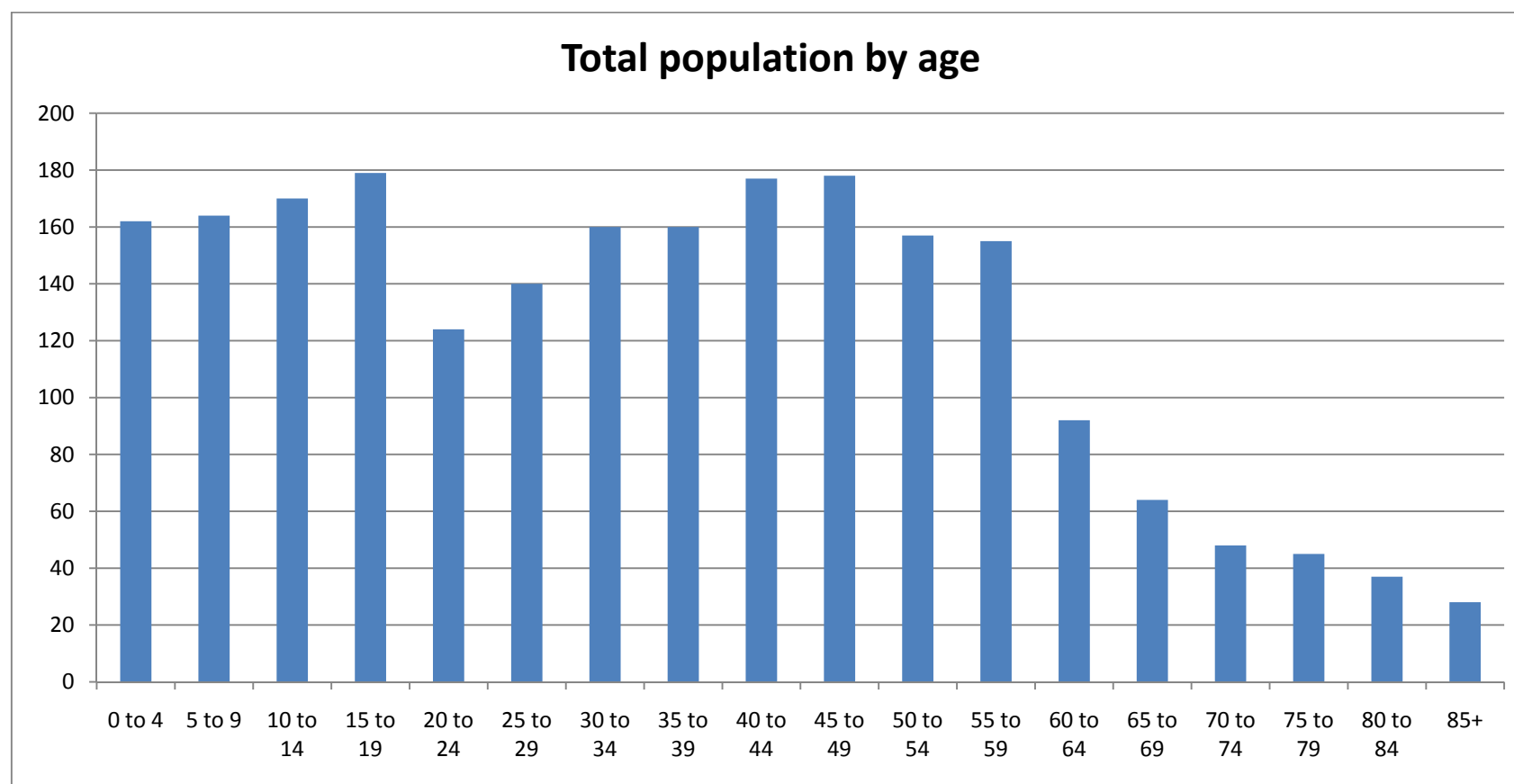
¹¹

These are smaller settlements generally ranging in population from 150 – 400 people with some essential infrastructure (i.e. Council water and/or sewage facilities) and a range of community infrastructure that provide for convenience and daily needs of the local population and surrounding area. They also provide some small-scale employment opportunities and local level community facilities, such as primary schools, churches, local sporting facilities and a community hall.

Total population by age group

Total Population	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 to 44	45 to 49	50 to 54	55 to 59	60 to 64	65 to 69	70 to 74	75 to 79	80 to 84	85+	Total
058 Carrig	41	42	43	48	33	38	39	43	34	45	47	53	27	20	12	8	9	8	590
060 Clarina	121	122	127	131	91	102	121	117	143	133	110	102	65	44	36	37	28	20	1,650
Total population by age	162	164	170	179	124	140	160	160	177	178	157	155	92	64	48	45	37	28	2,240

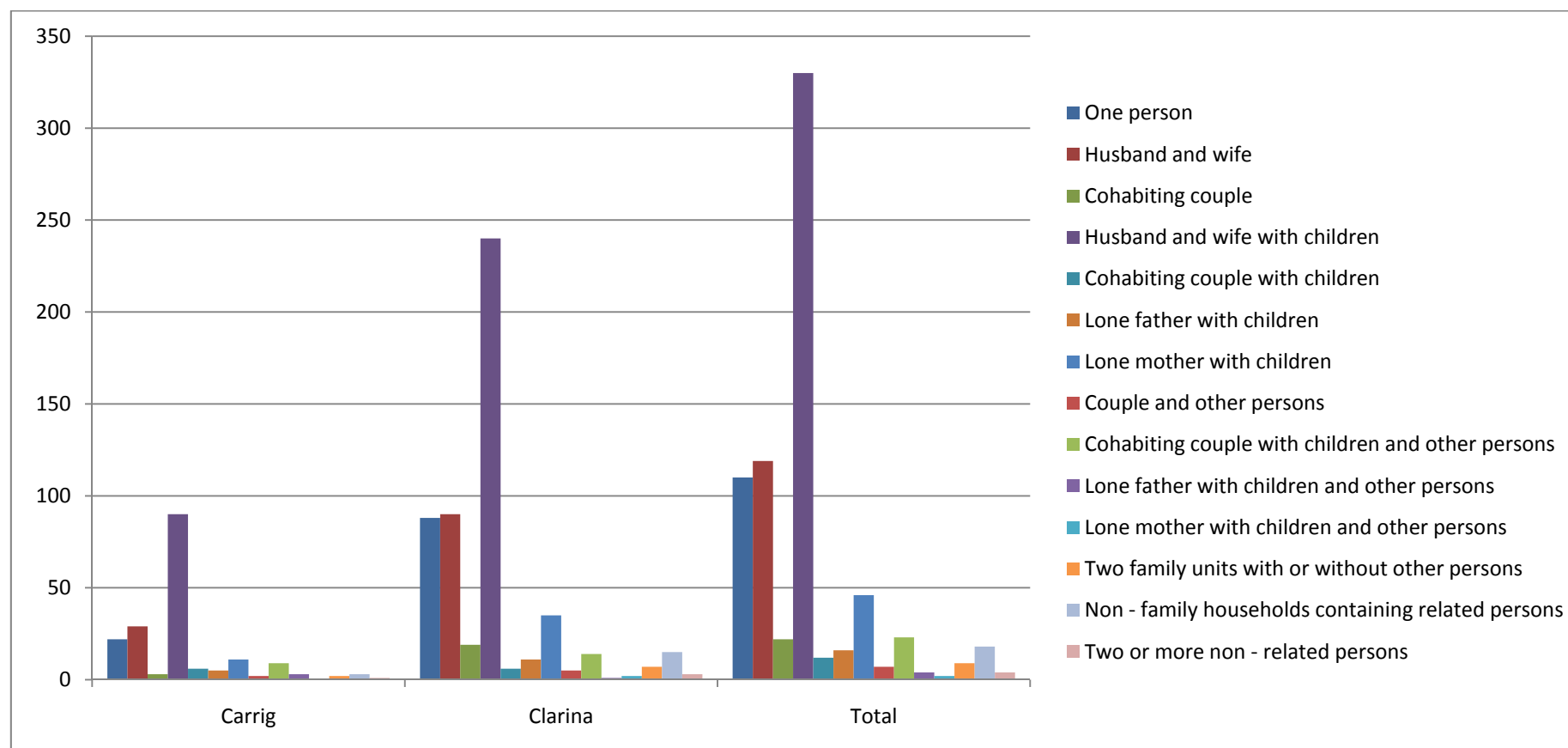
The graph below illustrates the spread of the population across the age groups from 0 to 85+ years.



Number of private households, by household type

Composition	One person	Husband and wife	Cohabiting couple	Husband and wife with children	Cohabiting couple with children	Lone father with children	Lone mother with children	Couple and other persons	Cohabiting couple with children and other persons	Lone father with children and other persons	Lone mother with children and other persons	Two family units with or without other persons	Non - family households containing related persons	Two or more non - related persons	Total
058 Carrig	22	29	3	90	6	5	11	2	9	3	0	2	3	1	186
060 Clarina	88	90	19	240	6	11	35	5	14	1	2	7	15	3	536
Total	110	119	22	330	12	16	46	7	23	4	2	9	18	4	722

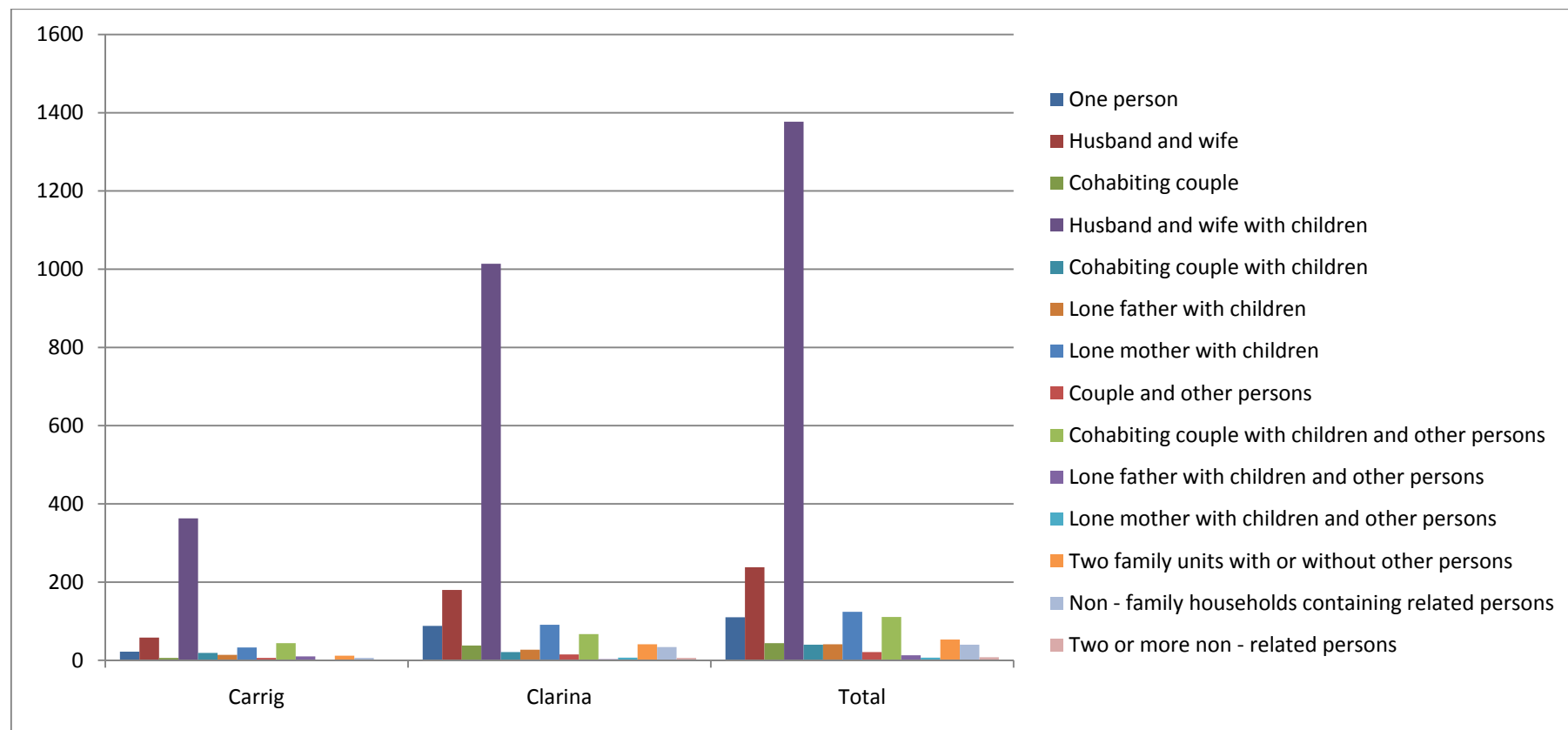
The vast majority of households within the catchment area are comprised of the household type described as “husband and wife with children.”



Number of people in private households, by household type

Composition	One person	Husband and wife	Cohabiting couple	Husband and wife with children	Cohabiting couple with children	Lone father with children	Lone mother with children	Couple and other persons	Cohabiting couple with children and other persons	Lone father with children and other persons	Lone mother with children and other persons	Two family units with or without other persons	Non - family households containing related persons	Two or more non - related persons	Total
058 Carrig	22	58	6	363	19	14	33	6	44	10	0	12	6	2	595
060 Clarina	88	180	38	1014	21	27	91	15	67	3	7	41	34	6	1,632
Total	110	238	44	1,377	40	41	124	21	111	13	7	53	40	8	2,227

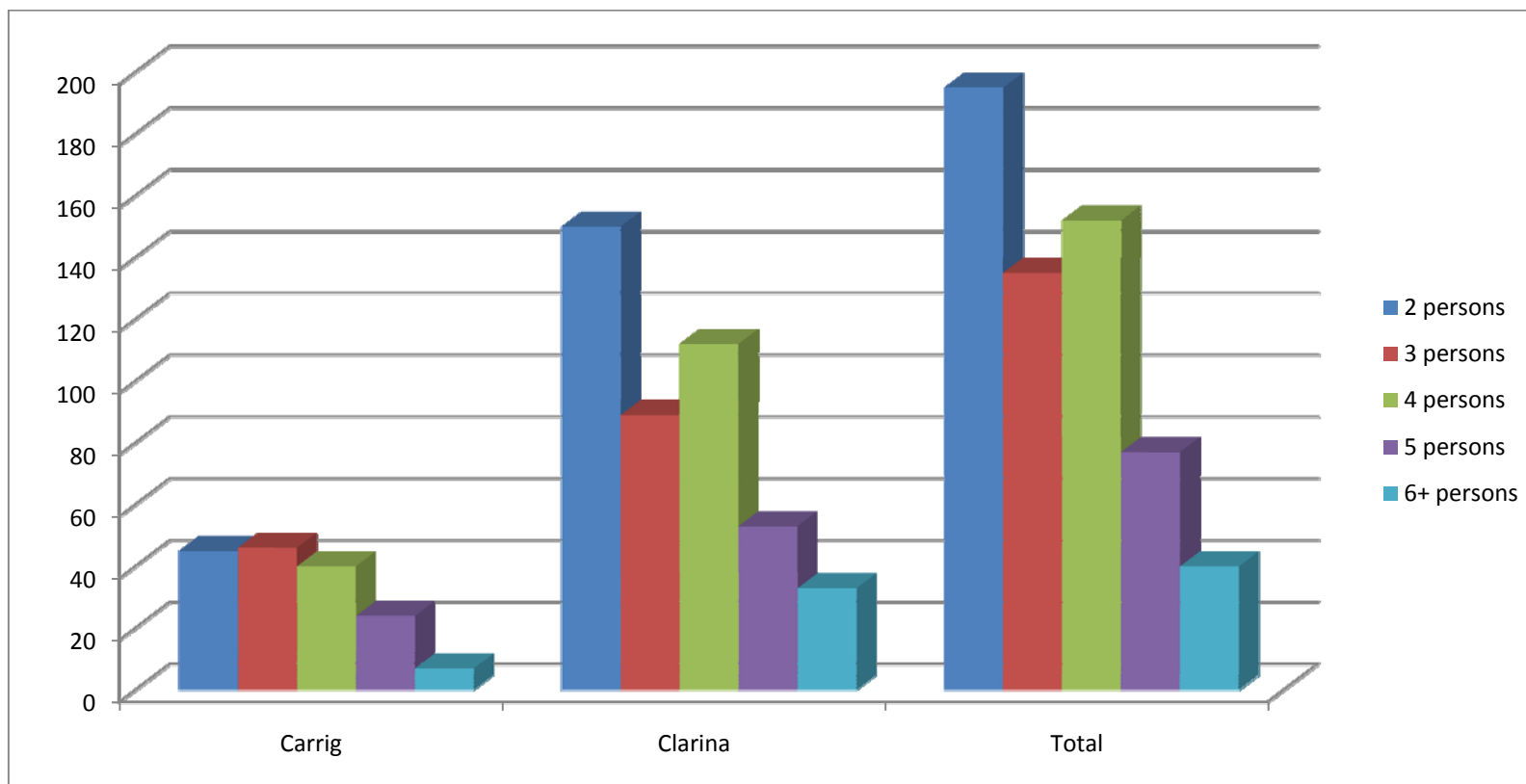
The graph below illustrates the distribution of the total population in the catchment area across the various household types.



Number of family units in the area

Family Units	2 persons	3 persons	4 persons	5 persons	6+ persons	Total
058 Carrig	45	46	40	24	7	162
060 Clarina	150	89	112	53	33	437
Total	195	135	152	77	40	599

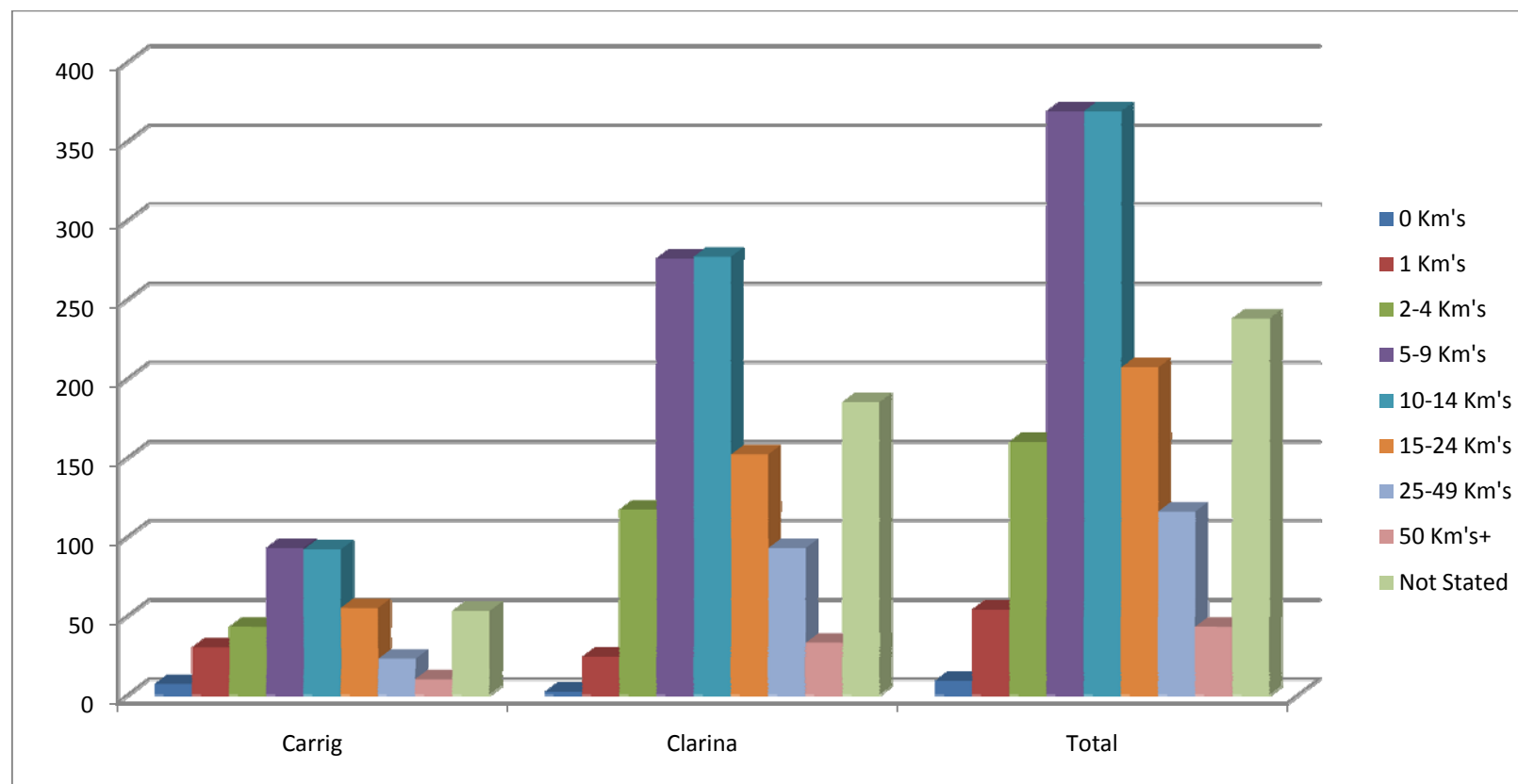
The graph below illustrates the spread of family units across the categories of households with 2 persons to 6+ persons.



Persons aged 5 and over by distance travelled to work, school or college

Dist Travelled	0 Km's	1 Km's	2-4 Km's	5-9 Km's	10-14 Km's	15-24 Km's	25-49 Km's	50 Km's+	Not Stated	Total
058 Carrig	7	30	43	93	92	55	23	10	53	406
060 Clarina	2	24	117	276	277	152	93	33	185	1,159
Total	9	54	160	369	369	207	116	43	238	1,565

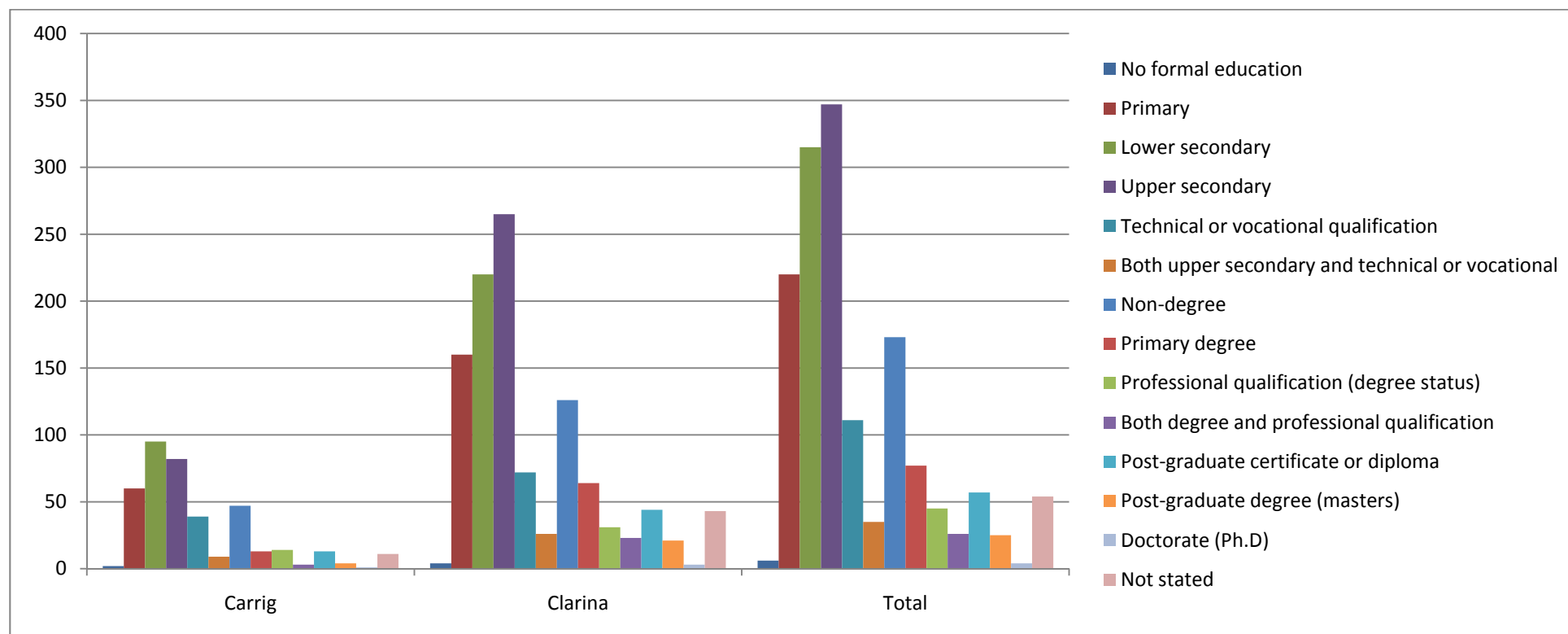
The highest number of those travelling to work, school or college do so for a distance of 5-14 kilometres. This reflects the geographic location of the area, based between a number of larger population centres, e.g. Limerick City and Patrickswell.



Persons aged 15 and over, by highest level of education completed

Highest level of education	No formal education	Primary	Lower secondary	Upper secondary	Technical or vocational qualification	Both upper secondary and technical or vocational	Non-degree	Primary degree	Professional qualification (degree status)	Both degree and professional qualification	Post-graduate certificate or diploma	Post-graduate degree (masters)	Doctorate (Ph.D)	Not stated	Total
058 Carrig	2	60	95	82	39	9	47	13	14	3	13	4	1	11	393
060 Clarina	4	160	220	265	72	26	126	64	31	23	44	21	3	43	1,102
Total	6	220	315	347	111	35	173	77	45	26	57	25	4	54	1,495

The following graph illustrates the highest level of education completed for those aged 15 years and over.



Persons aged 15 and over, by principal economic status

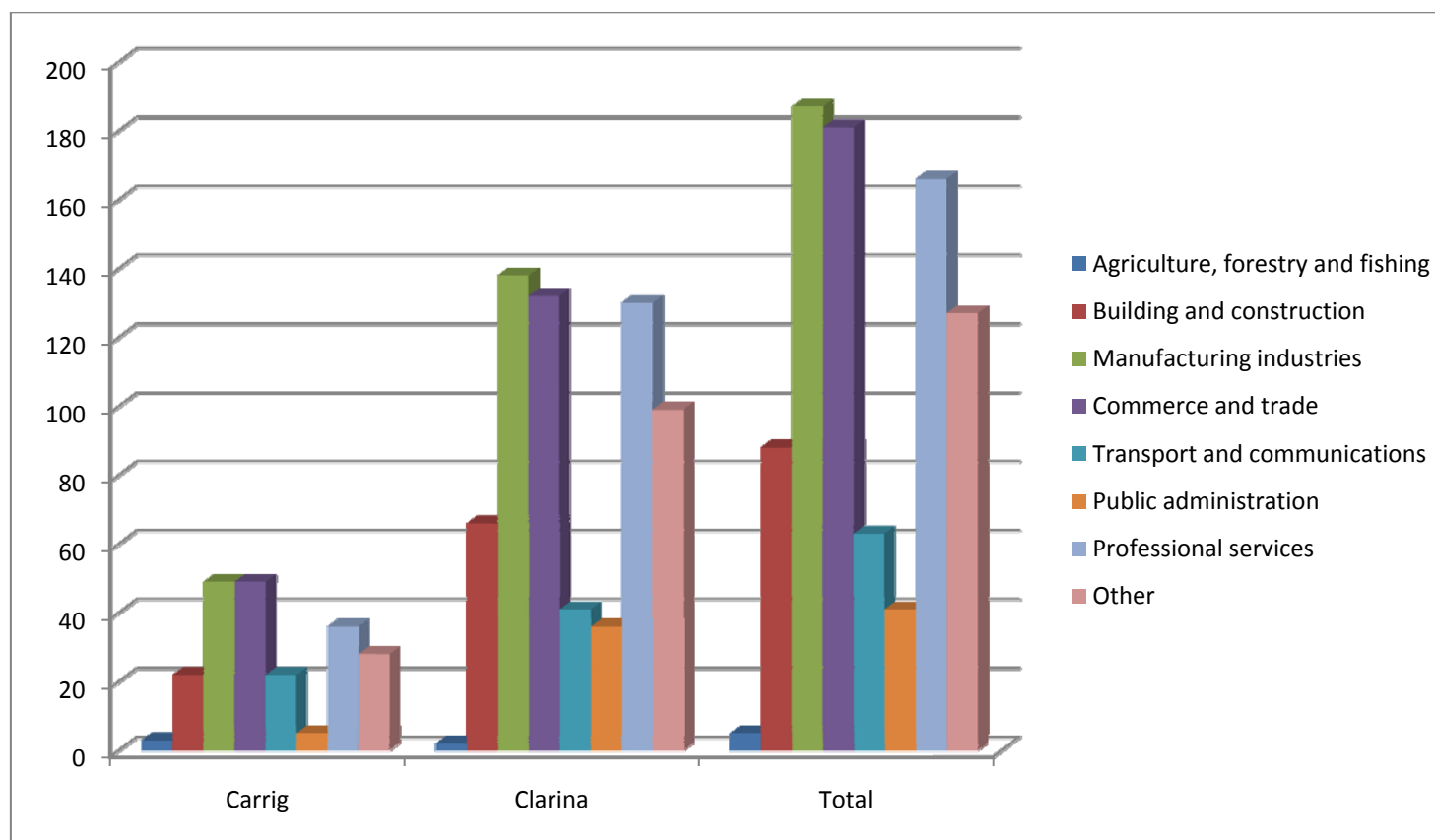
The table below shows the breakdown among the local population of those at work, unemployed, etc. This particular table is heavily dependant on economic conditions and, obviously, would not reflect the situation at the current time.

Geographic Area	Principal Economic Status	Persons	Males	Females
Carrig	At work	267	163	104
	Looking for first regular job	2	1	1
	Unemployed, having lost or given up previous job	10	6	4
	Student	56	25	31
	Looking after home/family	62	3	59
	Retired	48	27	21
	Unable to work due to permanent sickness or disability	18	8	10
	Other	1	0	1
	Total aged 15 years and over	464	233	231
Clarina	At work	781	458	323
	Looking for first regular job	4	2	2
	Unemployed, having lost or given up previous job	25	14	11
	Student	135	62	73
	Looking after home/family	148	1	147
	Retired	136	77	59
	Unable to work due to permanent sickness or disability	51	28	23
	Other	0	0	0
	Total aged 15 years and over	1280	642	638

Employed persons at work by industry

Employees	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	Building and construction	Manufacturing industries	Commerce and trade	Transport and communications	Public administration	Professional services	Other	Total
058 Carrig	3	22	49	49	22	5	36	28	214
060 Clarina	2	66	138	132	41	36	130	99	644
Total	5	88	187	181	63	41	166	127	858

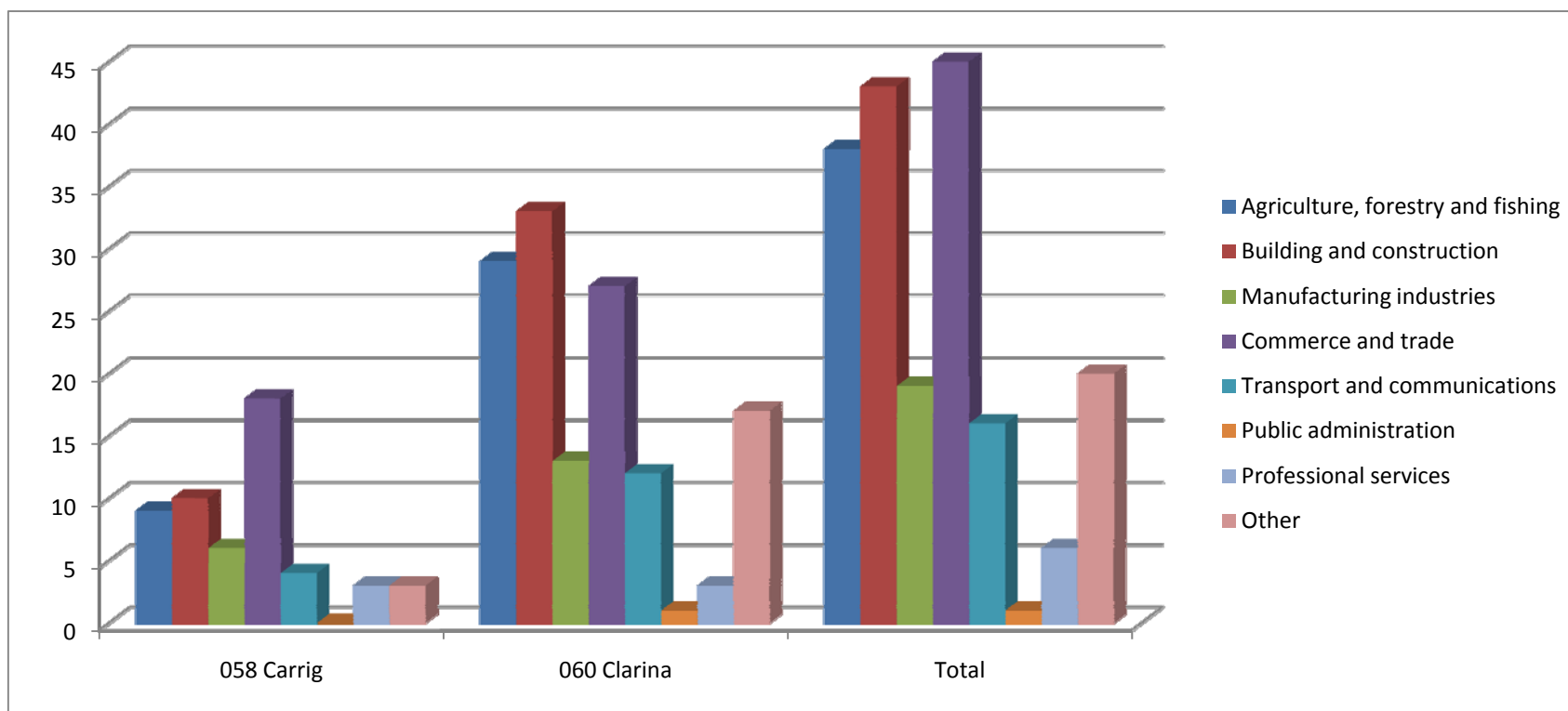
The graph below illustrates the breakdown of employees among the main industries and sectors in 2006.



Self-employed persons at work by industry

Self Employed	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	Building and construction	Manufacturing industries	Commerce and trade	Transport and communications	Public administration	Professional services	Other	Total
058 Carrig	9	10	6	18	4	0	3	3	53
060 Clarina	29	33	13	27	12	1	3	17	135
Total	38	43	19	45	16	1	6	20	188

The graph below illustrates the breakdown of self-employed people among the main industries and sectors in 2006.



Population by ethnic origin

The table below shows the total population in the catchment area by ethnic origin.

Ethnic Origin	White Irish	White Irish Traveller	Any other White background	Black or Black Irish	Asian or Asian Irish	Other	Not stated	Total
058 Carrig	572	0	10	0	0	2	2	586
060 Clarina	1592	0	19	0	2	10	21	1644
Total	2,164	0	29	0	2	12	23	2,230

Persons with a disability by age group

The number of people with a disability in the catchment area is shown in the following table. The percentage of the total population for Carrig and Clarina is 8.6% and 8.8% respectively, giving a percentage of 8.8% of the total population.

Age Group	0 - 14 yrs	15 - 24 yrs	25 - 44 yrs	45 - 64 yrs	65+ yrs	Total
058 Carrig	3	4	6	20	18	51
060 Clarina	11	13	15	55	52	146
Total	14	17	21	75	70	197

Voluntary work by type of voluntary activity

Voluntary Work	Social or charitable organisation	Religious group or church	Sporting organisation	Political or cultural organisation	Any other voluntary activity	Total persons involved in 1+ voluntary
058 Carrig	35	22	41	4	25	99
060 Clarina	57	41	118	15	51	230
Total	92	63	159	19	76	329

The percentage of people in Carrig and Clarina who, according to the Census, are involved in voluntary activity is 17% and 14% respectively, giving a percentage of 15% for the total population. Based upon the more recent Clarina-Ballybrown Community Survey (see Section 2), the percentage of those involved in voluntary or community activities is 41%. The difference between the two figures can be explained by the fact that the Census refers to all people of all ages within the community, while the question on the survey referred particularly to the person completing the actual Survey.

Limerick County Development Plan 2010 - 2016

The Limerick County Development Plan 2010-2016 classifies Clarina Village a Tier 5 Settlement. It states that:

According to the Census in 2006 Clarina had a population of 216. Its range of services includes a petrol station, vacant retail units, riding school, pharmacy, and playing pitch. There is capacity to provide water and sewerage treatment within the timescale of the Plan. Any development shall be located north of the settlement core.



Tier 5 Settlement

The Limerick County Development Plan classifies Tier 5 Settlements², of which Clarina Village is one, as follows:

Tier 5 and Tier 6 settlements generally can be defined as a compact community usually though not exclusively titled a village with a traditional core, which has a number of the following features or facilities: a church, school, pub/shop, community hall and other community/recreational facilities and some elements of public infrastructure and which function as a service centre for a wider community

These are smaller settlements generally ranging in population from 150 – 400 people with some essential infrastructure (i.e. Council water and/or sewage facilities) and a range of community infrastructure that provide for convenience and daily needs of the local population and surrounding area. They also provide some small-scale employment opportunities and local level community facilities, such as primary schools, churches, local sporting facilities and a community hall.

Retail Strategy for the Mid-West Region - Tier 5 Settlements (Retail Hierarchy)

Tier	Metropolitan Area	Hinterland
Tier 5	Local corner shops	Local/Corner shops: Smaller villages/crossroads-rural shops (post offices, creameries, public houses, petrol filling stations)

The designation of centres within Tiers 4 and 5 is a matter for individual local planning authorities in the Region to determine in their retail strategies and development plan variations.

² The full list of Tier 5 Settlements includes Ardagh, Ballyagran, Ballyhahill, Ballylanders, Ballyneety, Broadford, Carrigkerry, Clarina, Fedamore, Galbally, Herbertstown, New Kildimo, Killeely, Knocklong, Montpelier, Mountcollins, and Pallas Green (new).