Contrary to rumours, undocumented people are unable to claim any benefits whatsoever from the Irish state.

Deporting every undocumented person in Ireland would cost a minimum of €100M.

Failure to regularise the undocumented costs Ireland €41,000,000 per year in lost direct tax alone.

We estimate that some 20,000–26,000 people in Ireland are undocumented.

Since 2006, MRCI has worked with 5,632 undocumented migrants.

There are between 2,000–6,000 children and young people growing up undocumented in Ireland today.

Contrary to rumours, undocumented people are unable to claim any benefits whatsoever from the Irish state.

A regularisation scheme would generate 12 TIMES more in immigration fees alone than the cost of the actual scheme.

UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS IN IRELAND ARE IN THE VERY SAME SITUATION AS THE UNDOCUMENTED IRISH IN THE U.S. — UNABLE TO TRAVEL HOME FOR FUNERALS OR WEDDINGS, AFRAID TO REPORT ABUSE OR EXPLOITATION, AND UNABLE TO STEP OUT OF THE SHADOWS.

A regularisation scheme is a smart, pragmatic and fair solution for Ireland and for the thousands of undocumented people who have lived and worked in Irish communities for many years.

This survey was carried out with undocumented migrants by the Migrant Rights Centre Ireland and the Justice for the Undocumented group.

It is the only one of its kind in Ireland.

Migrant Rights Centre Ireland
www.mrci.ie
TIME LIVING IN IRELAND

- 84% OVER 5 YEARS
- 49% OVER 8 YEARS
- 21% OVER 10 YEARS

43% HAVE CHILDREN
- Under the age of 18
- 61% Are aged between 25 and 39

- 48% MALE
- 52% FEMALE

WE SURVEYED 1,008 UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS LIVING IN IRELAND. HERE’S WHAT THEY REVEALED

- 32% Work in food and accommodation
- 29% Work in care and domestic work
- 13% Work in cleaning and maintenance
- 49% Have second level education
- 53% Have third level education
- 61% Work in food and accommodation
- 25% Work in care and domestic work
- 19% Work in cleaning and maintenance
- 37% Have second level education
- 19% Have third level education

EMPLOYED
- 89% SAME JOB LONGER THAN TWO YEARS
- 66% SAME JOB LONGER THAN FIVE YEARS
- 69% Work more than 30 hours per week

32 NATIONALITIES FROM 4 CONTINENTS living in Ireland

- 37% FILIPINO
- 19% CHINESE
- 19% MAURITIAN
- 5% BRAZILIAN
- 4% PAKISTANI

48% MALE
52% FEMALE

97% Have second level education
53% Have third level education

SAME JOB LONGER THAN FIVE YEARS
- 31%