



YEAR	OVERALL INDEX VALUE	SUB-INDEX VALUES			OVERALL INDEX GRADE	INDEX RANKING
		Adequacy	Sustainability	Integrity		
2009	–	–	–	–	–	–
2010	–	–	–	–	–	–
2011	–	–	–	–	–	–
2012	–	–	–	–	–	–
2013	–	–	–	–	–	–
2014	62.2	77.6	36.0	74.1	C+	12 th of 25
2015	63.1	77.6	36.2	78.5	C+	11 th of 25
2016	62.0	76.2	34.8	77.3	C+	10 th of 27
2017	65.8	77.9	43.9	77.2	B	12 th of 30

Ireland's Retirement Income System comprises a flat-rate basic scheme and a means-tested benefit for those without sufficient social insurance contributions. Voluntary occupational pension schemes have limited coverage.

**Reminder:* Each year, the Index undergoes some small changes. These changes include questions being added, removed or altered, as well the addition or removal of nations participating in the Index. Although the effects of these changes are very minimal, some of the information in this table can be impacted. A more detailed outline of these changes can be found in Chapter 3 of the Full Report for each edition.

The 2017 Report's Policy Recommendations

The overall index value for the Irish system could be increased by:

- Increasing coverage of employees in occupational pension schemes thereby increasing the level of contributions and assets
- Introducing a minimum level of mandatory contributions into a retirement savings fund
- Providing greater protection of members' accrued benefits in the case of employer insolvency
- Reducing government debt as a percentage of GDP