



Department of Children and Youth Affairs

Inventory of Data Sources on Children's Lives

A23 EUROCAT Registry

Data owner	Health Service Executive (www.hse.ie)
Brief description	Basic demographic data, data on all congenital anomalies and, where possible, data on exposures to factors that may affect the development of congenital anomalies (e.g. folic acid).
Primary function of data	Surveillance of congenital anomalies in the East, Southeast and South of Ireland by three regional HSE (EUROCAT) congenital anomaly registries.
Key classificatory variables	ID Other; Age Other; Sex
Themes/domains	Health
Unit of observation	Individual case (on an anonymised basis)
Start date of data collection	1980 (East), 1996 (South), 1997 (Southeast)
Frequency of data collection	Continuous
Data format	Separate record for each case
Method of data collection	Multiple sources of ascertainment; anonymised computerised data
Access/further information	<p>Directly from EUROCAT Registry, contact:</p> <p>Dr Bob McDonnell HSE (Dublin Mid-Leinster) bob.mcdonnell@hse.ie</p> <p>Dr Mary O'Mahony HSE (South) MaryT.OMahony@hse.ie</p> <p>Dr Carmel Mullaney HSE (Southeast) carmel.mullaney@hse.ie</p> <p>or via the EUROCAT network website: www.eurocat-network.eu/</p> <p>Publications available at: /www.eurocatnetwork.eu/aboutus/publications/publications</p>
Notes	<p>Data are anonymised and only analysed on an aggregate basis.</p> <p>Data are collected according to standardised EUROCAT methodology and are comparable with that of registries in the EUROCAT network and registries that are members of the International Clearinghouse for Birth Defects Surveillance and Research.</p>