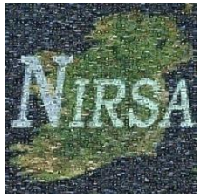


# HEIs and regional innovation systems in Ireland

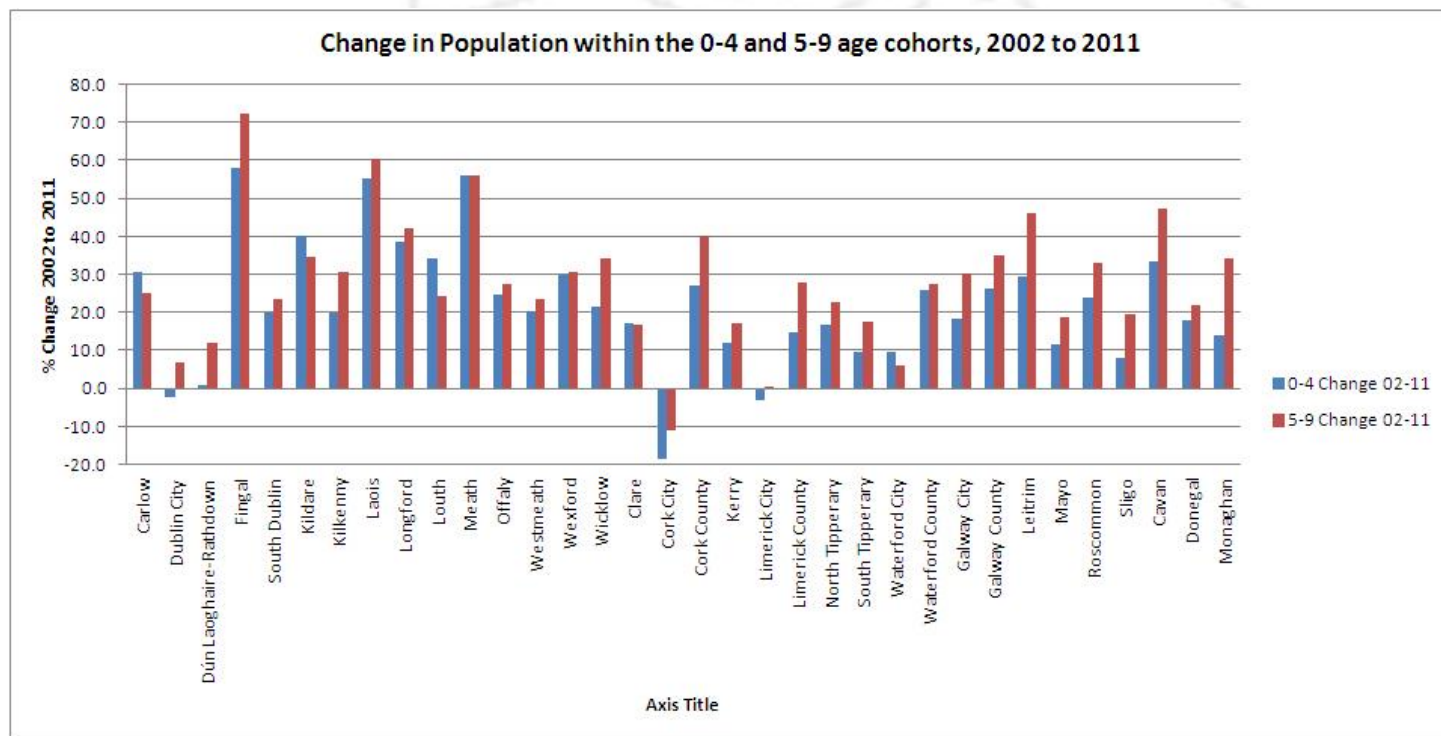
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- Education/training, social and economic development (what are HEIs roles/purpose?)
- Governance, alliances and mergers (how should HEIs be managed?)
- Regional catchments and demographics (who and where are HEIs serving?)

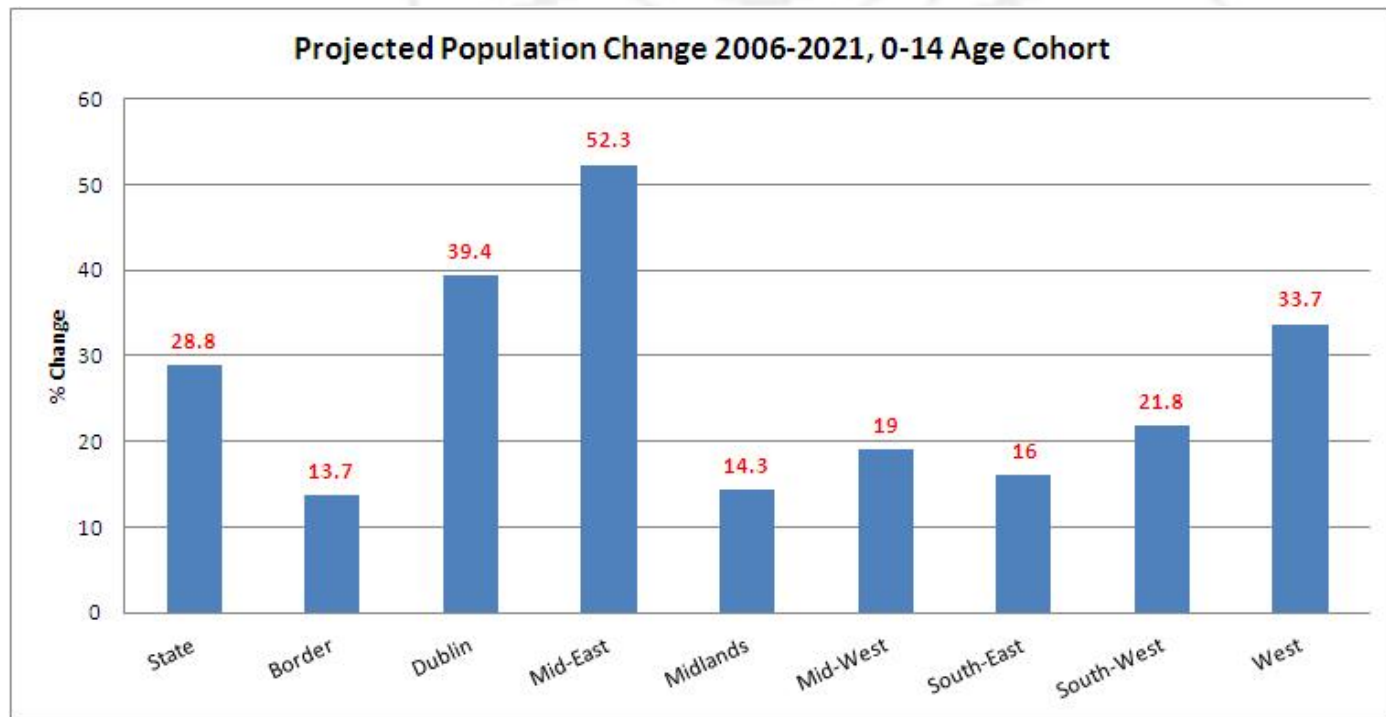
## National age profiles

- Massive bulk of population coming down the line in all regions/local authorities and catchments
  - State increases of
    - +28.3% in 0-4 Age Cohort between 2002 and 2011
    - +21.5% in 5-9 Age Cohort between 2002 and 2011
  - In ten years time this could lead to very high levels of Higher Education enrolment



# Regional age profile projections

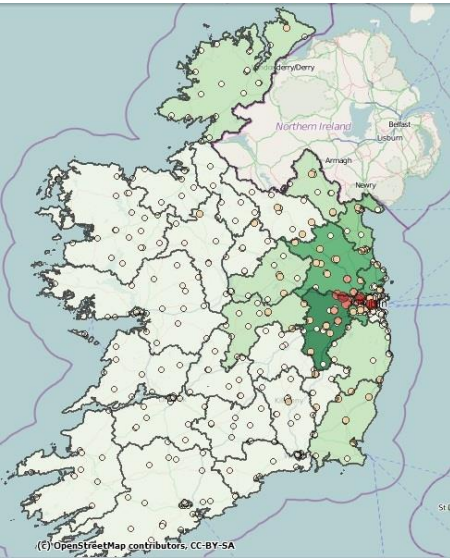
- Between 2006 and 2026 the number of young persons (i.e. those aged 0-14 years) is projected to increase by 28.8% in the State as a whole
  - Projected Increases will vary across the regions (based on CSO Regional Population Projections 2006-2026)



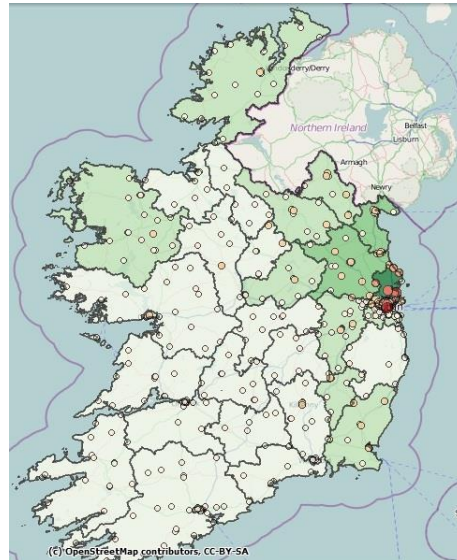


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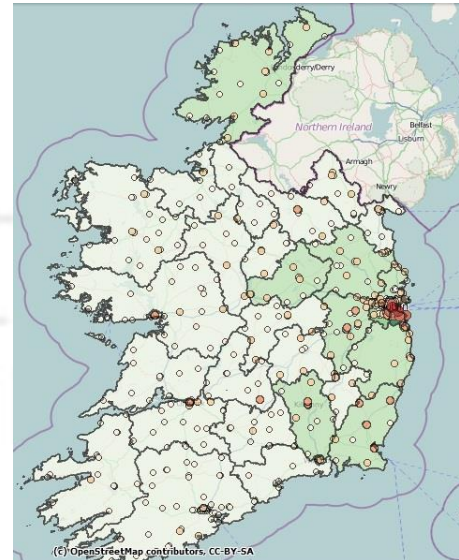
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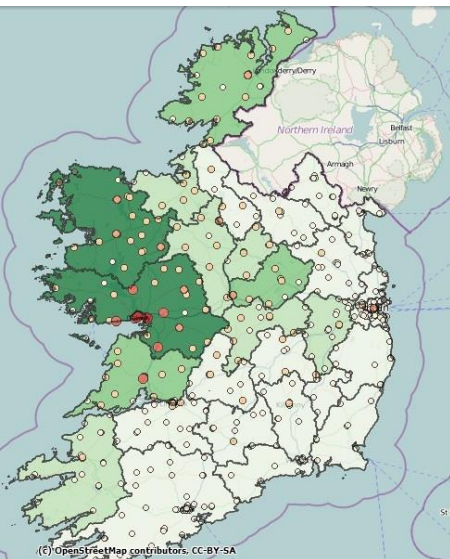
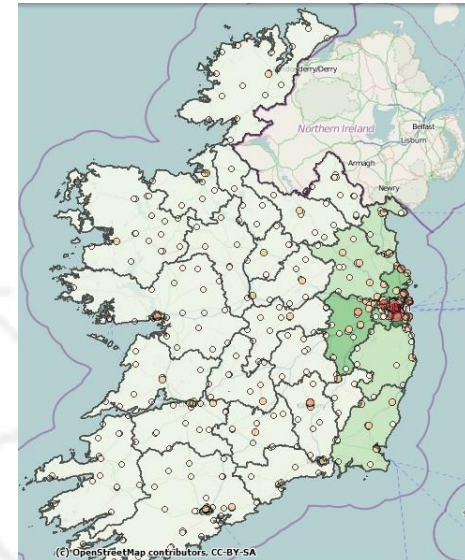
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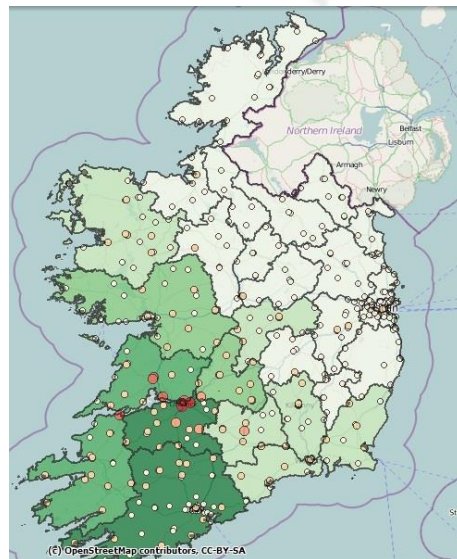
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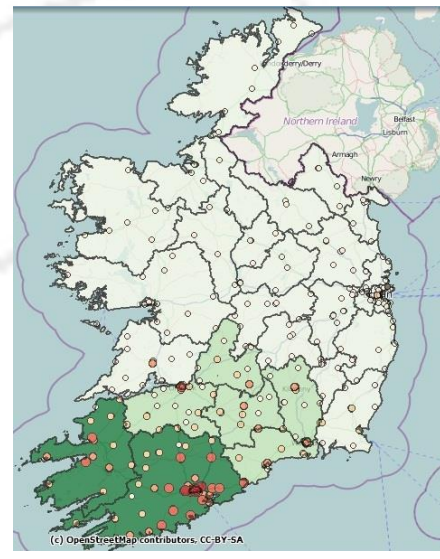
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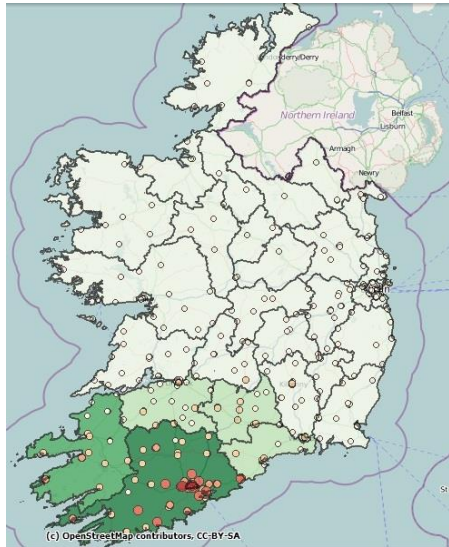
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Number of Students from School to UCC	
Number of Students from School	Percentage of Students Attending UCC
1 to 15	0% to 2%
15 to 50	2% to 5%
50 to 100	5% to 8%
100 to 200	8% to 10%
200 to 281	10% to 35%

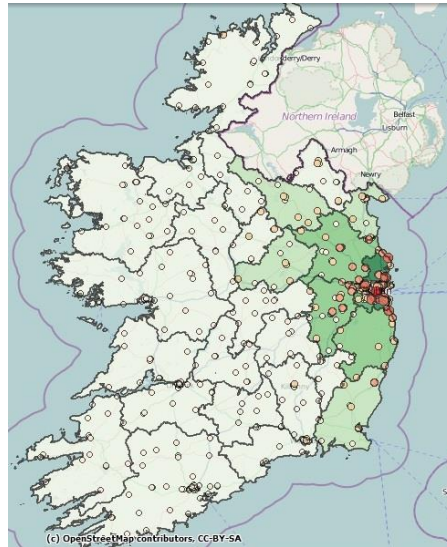


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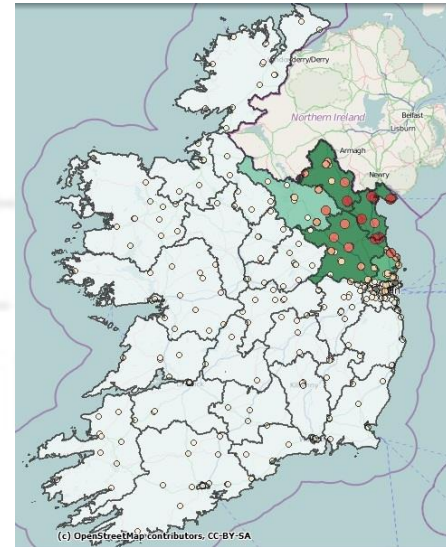
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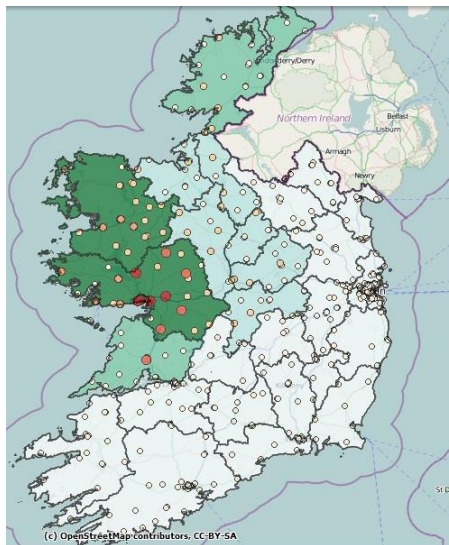
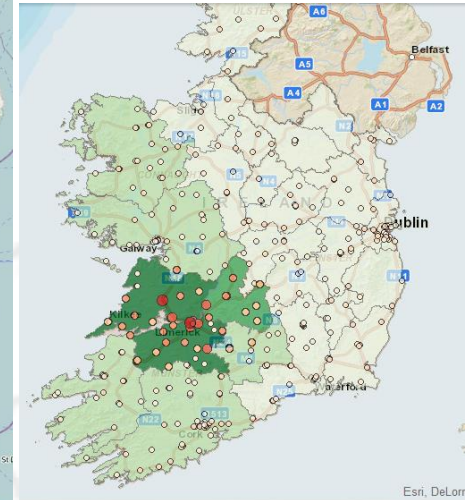
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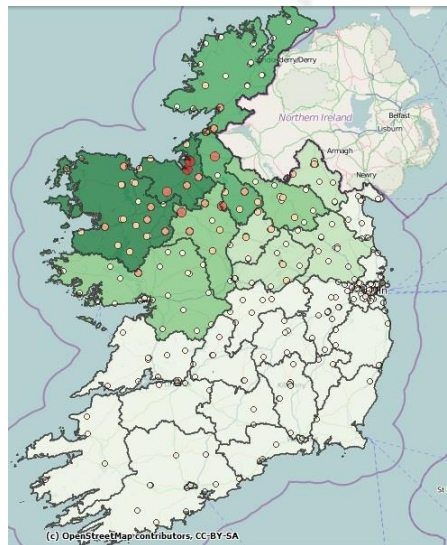
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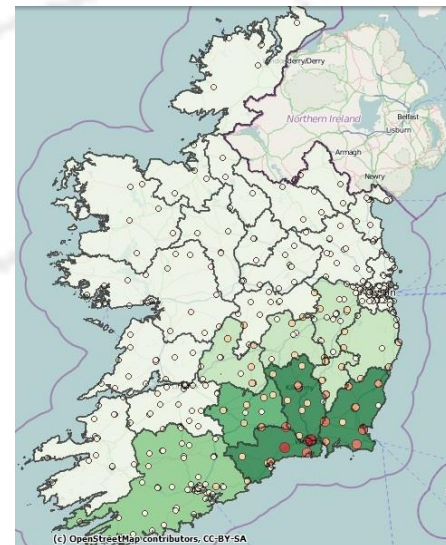
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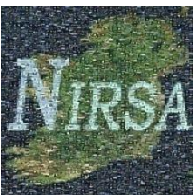


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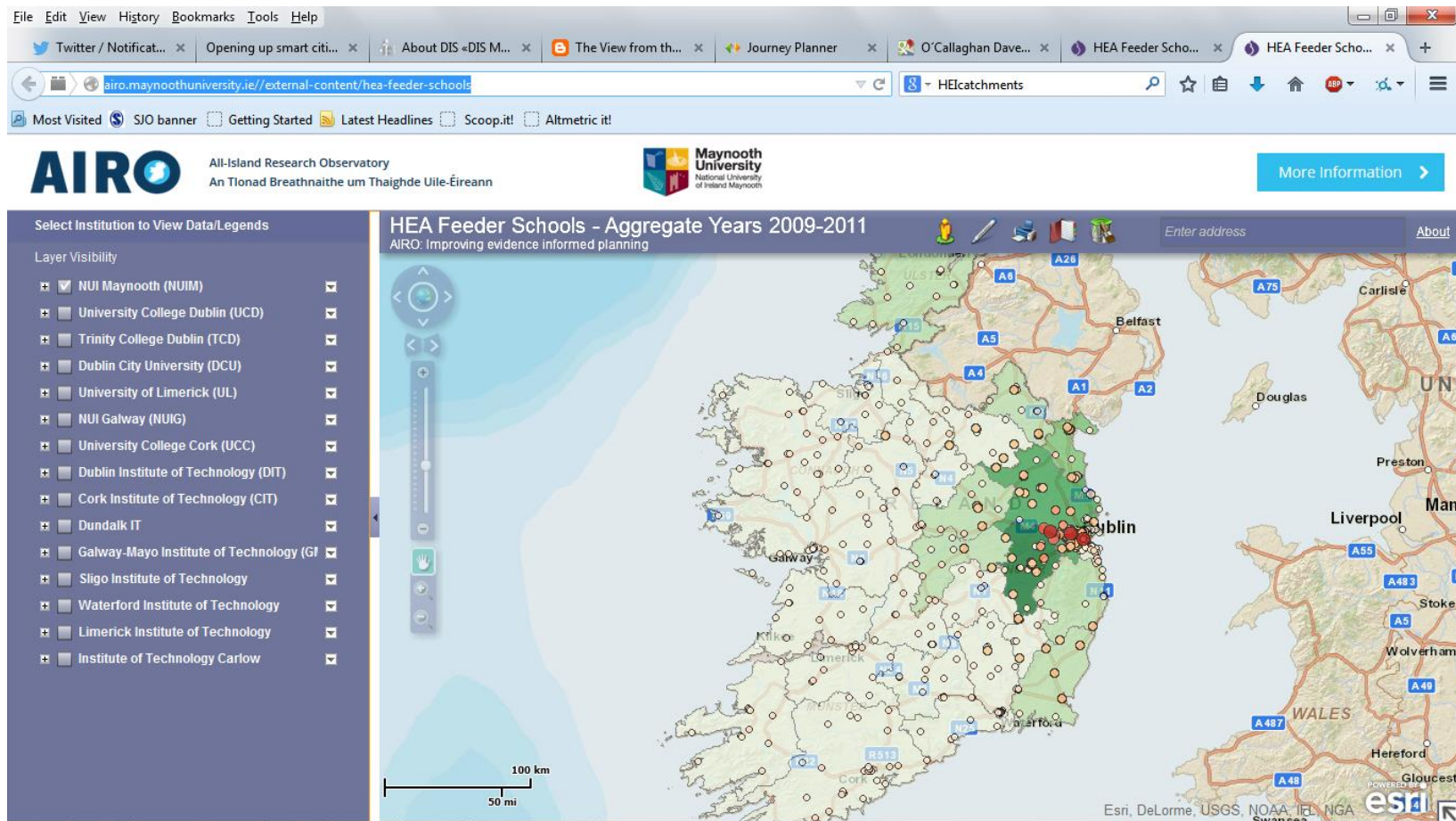
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## Summary of proposed regional clusters

The following regional clusters are proposed.

Region	Member institutions
South	University College Cork, Cork IT, IT Tralee, Waterford IT and IT Carlow
Mid-West	University of Limerick, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick IT
West	Galway-Mayo IT, IT Sligo, Letterkenny IT and NUI Galway (St Angela's / Shannon College incorporated into NUI Galway)
Dublin / Leinster <i>Pillar I</i>	University College Dublin / Trinity College Dublin / National College of Art and Design / Marino Institute of Education / Dún Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology
Dublin / Leinster <i>Pillar II</i>	Dublin Institute of Technology / IT Tallaght / IT Blanchardstown / Dublin City University (and incorporating linked colleges) National College of Ireland / Dundalk IT / NUI Maynooth / Athlone IT / Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland





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