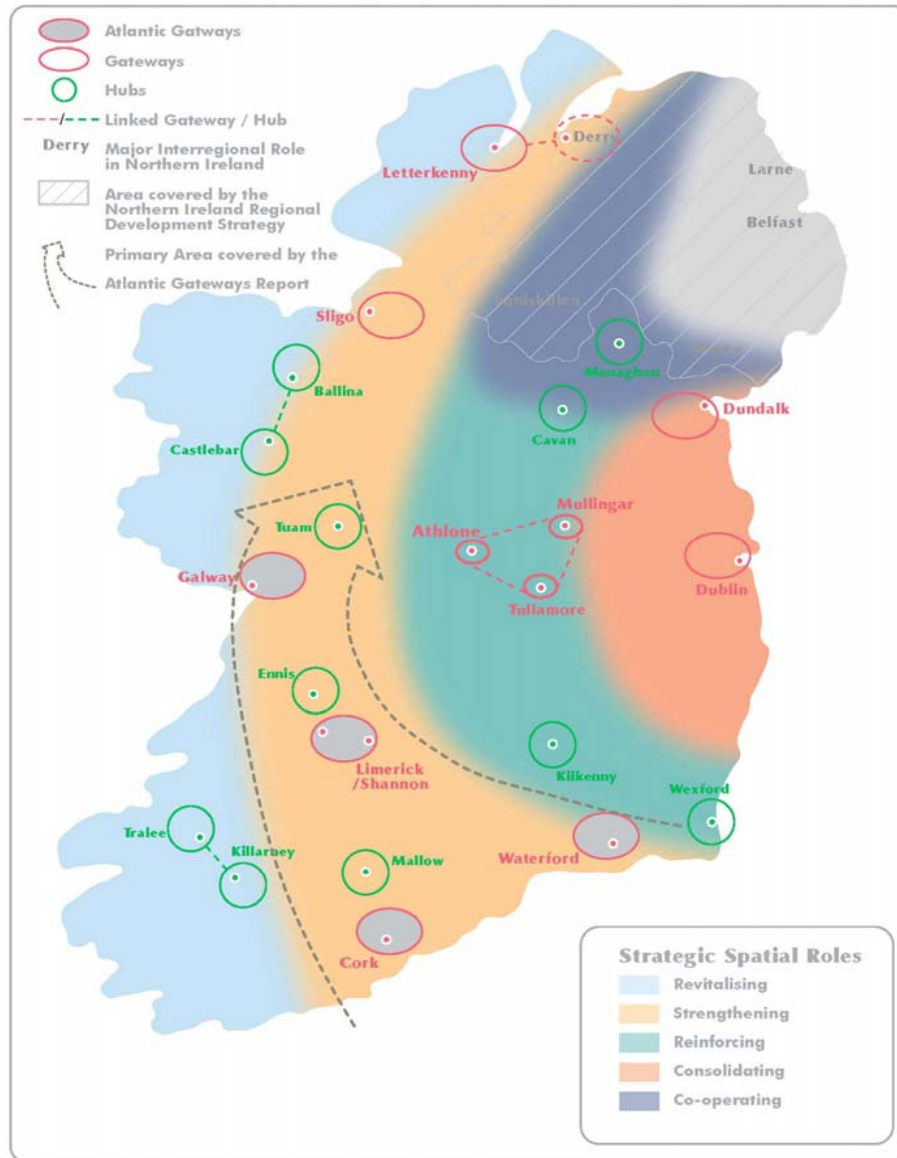


**FIGURE 1 - The National Spatial Strategy & the Atlantic Gateways**



# **National Spatial Strategy, 2002**

- ***Strategic framework for future planning in Ireland***
- ***Gateways of Cork, Galway, Limerick and Waterford: counterbalance to Dublin***
- ***Need to strengthen the critical mass of the Gateways to complement Dublin: linkage and complementary action***

# Atlantic Gateways Initiative

**Feasibility study: scope and potential for collaborative effort?**

**Chair: Department of Environment**

**Project manager: Shannon Development**

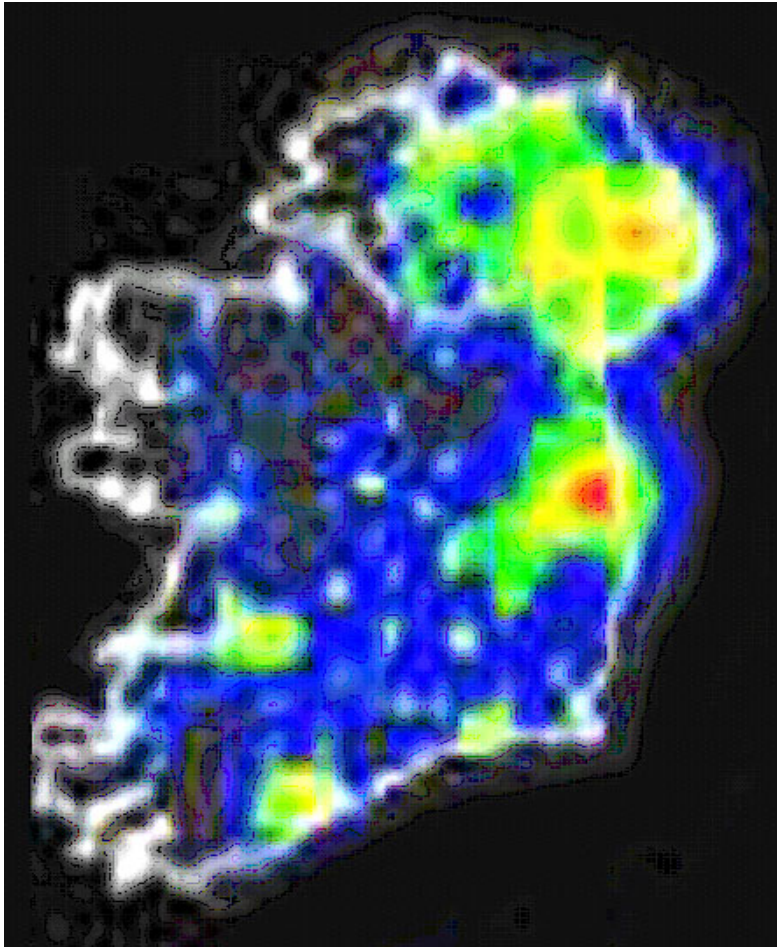
**Partners: Regional Authorities (Mid West, South East, South West, West), Southern & Eastern Regional Assembly, private sector**

# **Aim of Atlantic Gateways Initiative**

- ***Analyse strengths and weaknesses of the Atlantic Gateways***
- ***Identify potential for collaborative approach***
- ***Consultation with key stakeholders***
- ***Guidelines for the future***

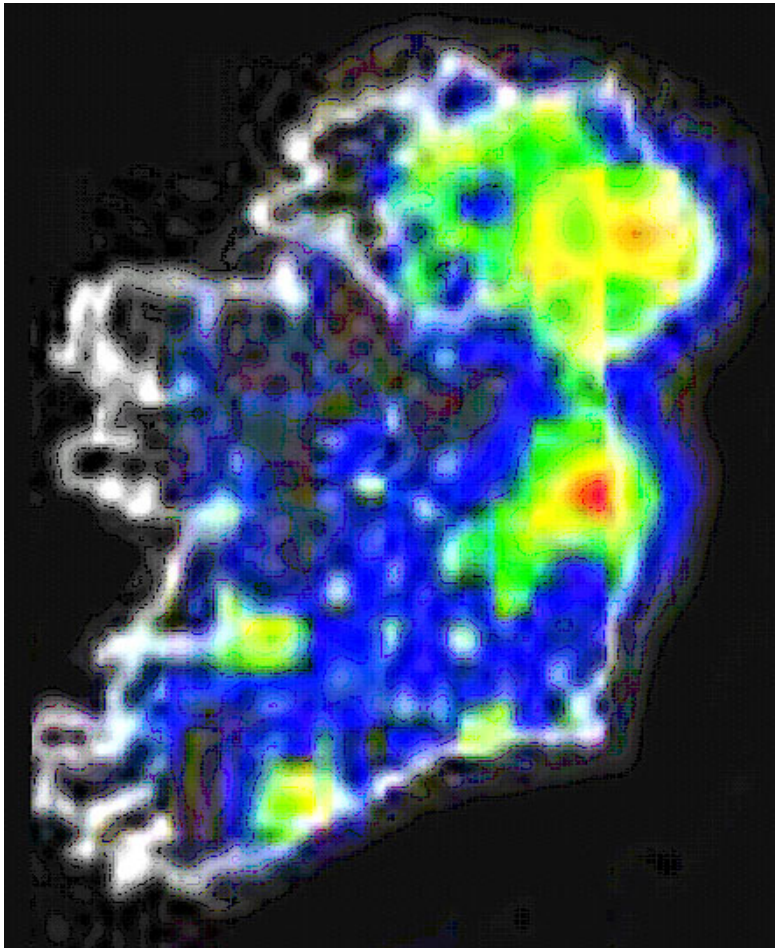
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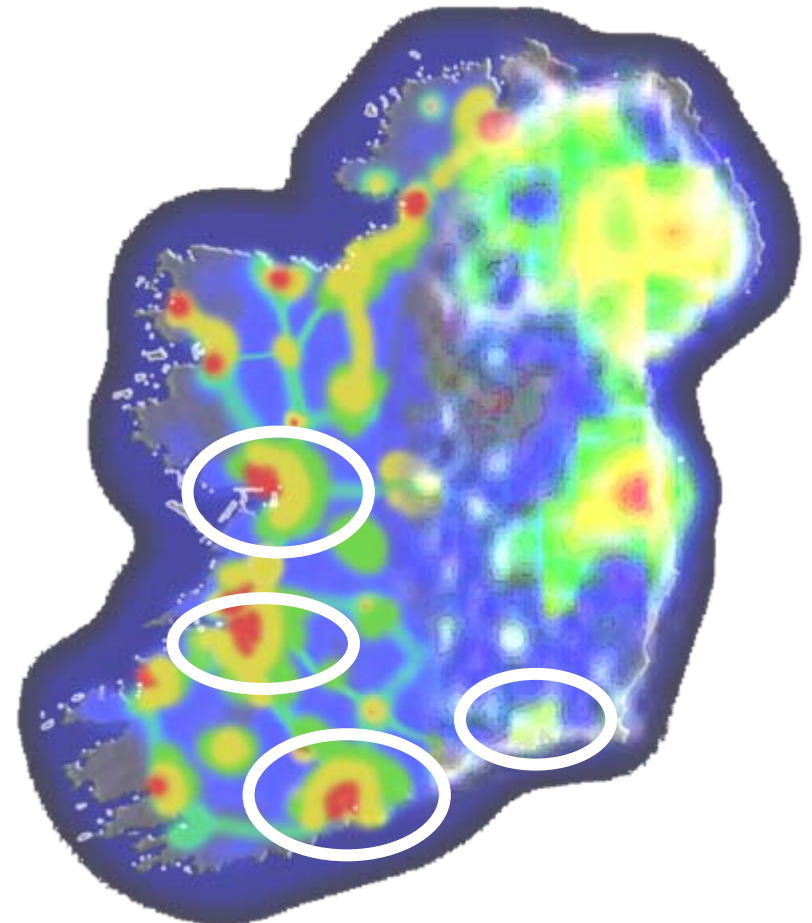
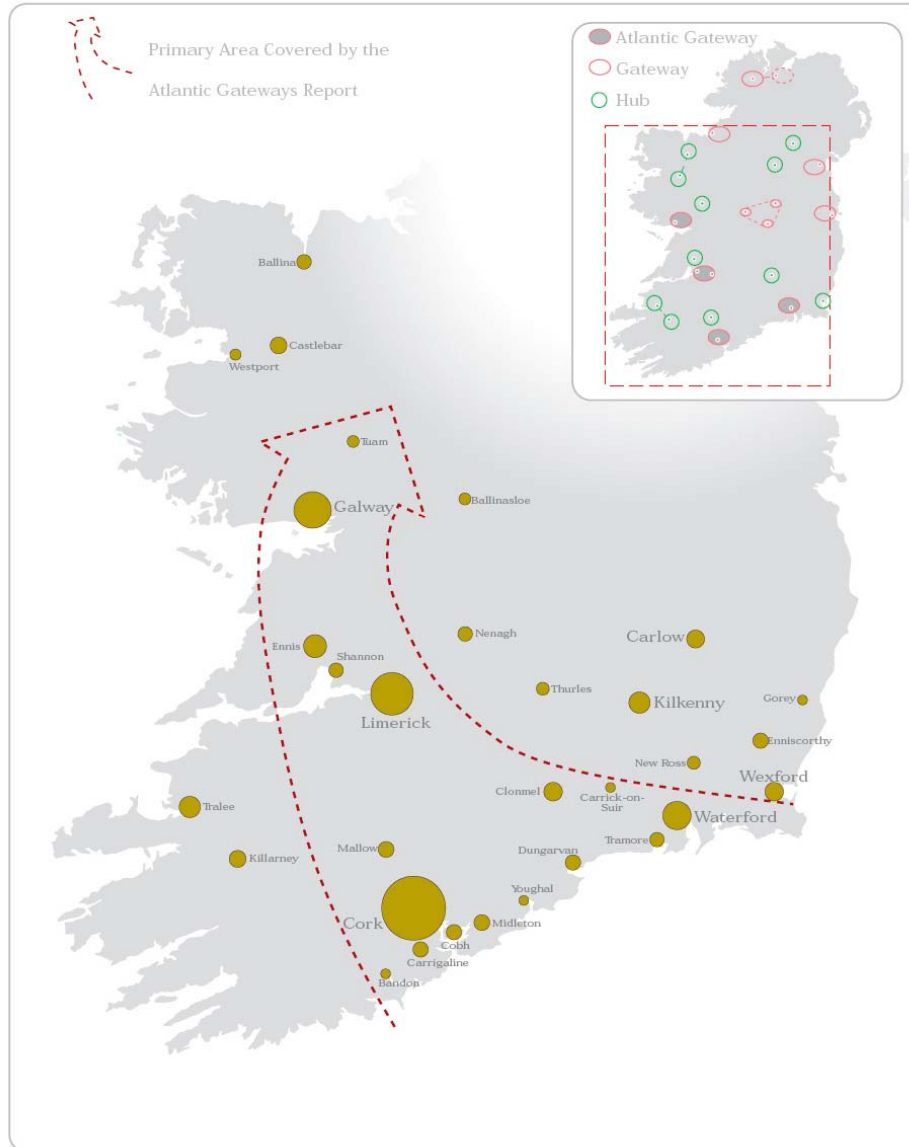


FIGURE 2 - Atlantic Gateways and Adjoining Areas: Relative population 2002 of cities and towns over 5000 population





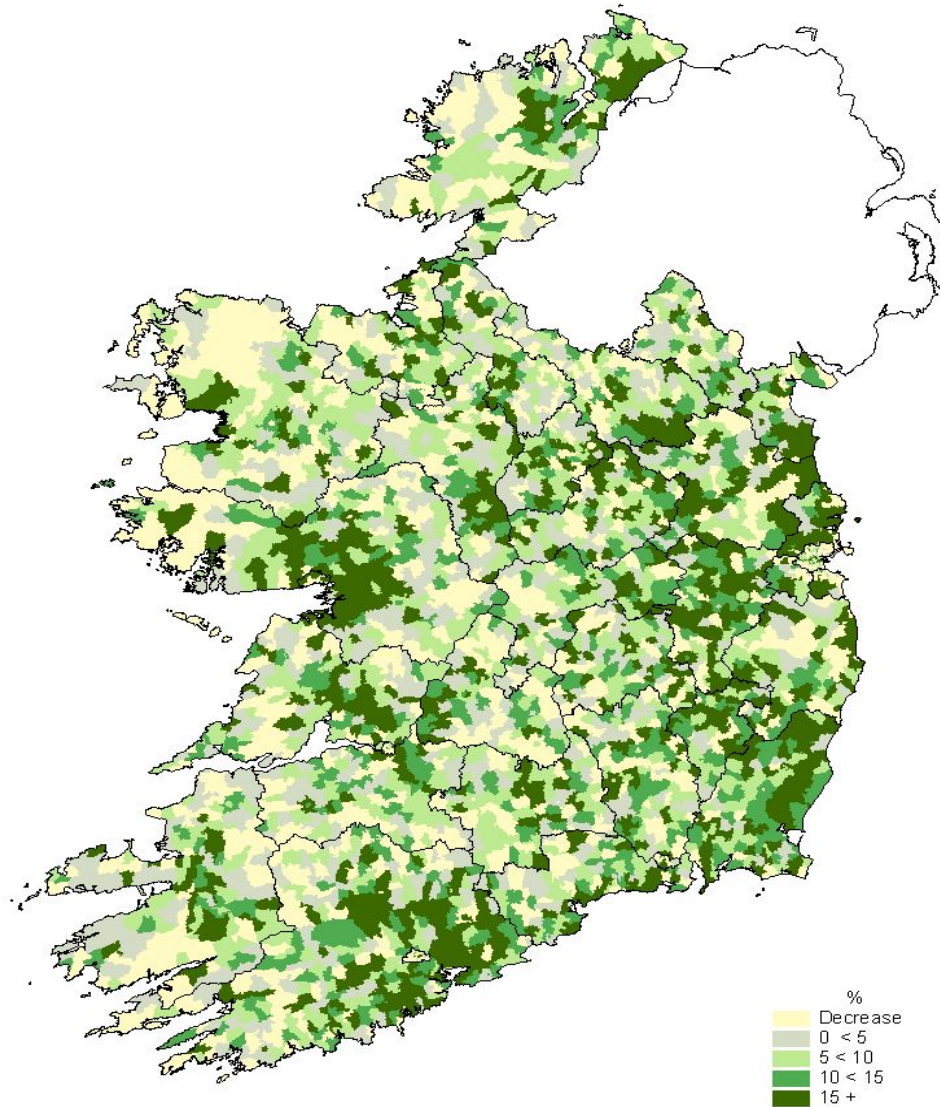
# **Atlantic Gateways: core concepts**

- ***Connectivity***
- ***Co-operation and competition***
- ***Development potential: physical, governance, economic***
- ***Critical mass and polycentricity***
- ***Economic space – an new Irish urban corridor***

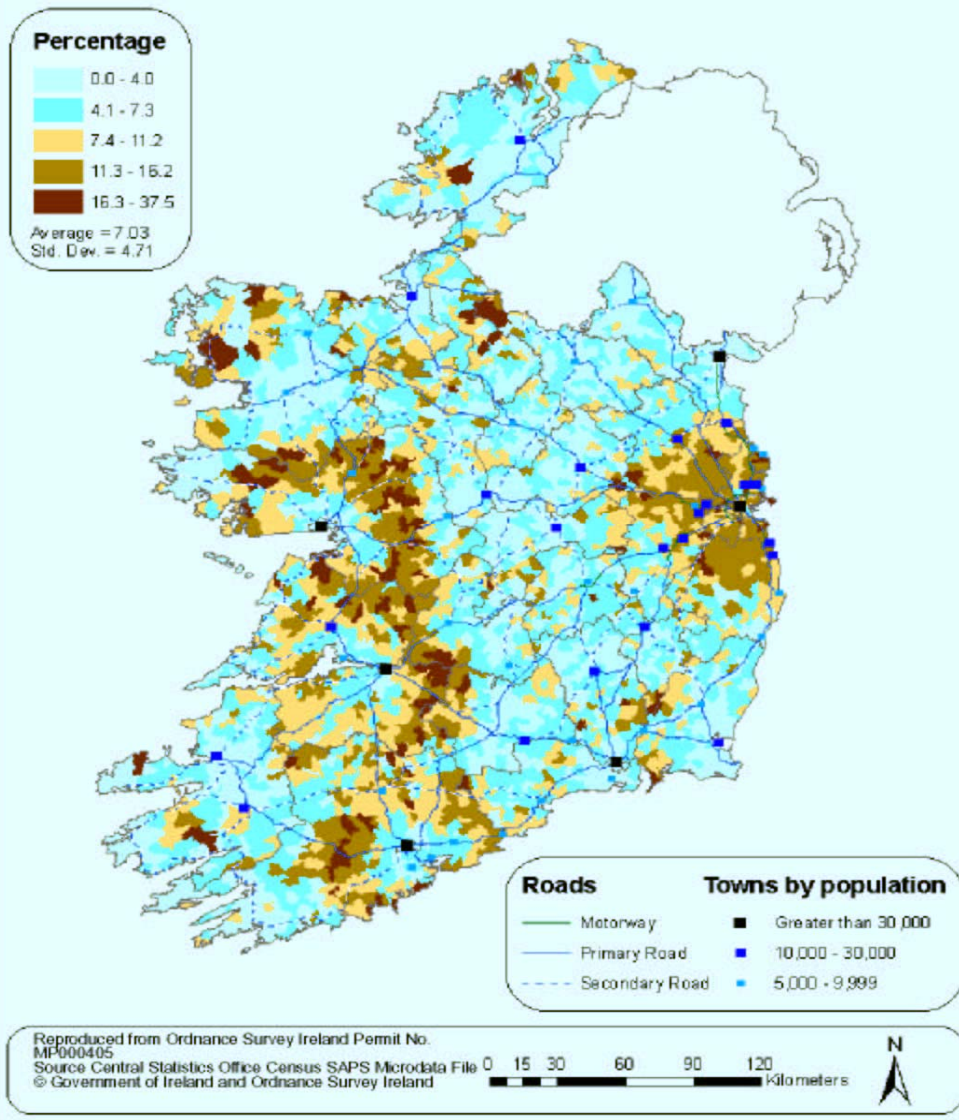
# Population, 2002

<b>Place</b>	<b>City &amp; environs</b>	<b>45 minute travel time</b>
<i>Cork</i>	<i>186,000</i>	<i>338,000</i>
<i>Limerick</i>	<i>87,000</i>	<i>326,000</i>
<i>Galway</i>	<i>66,000</i>	<i>176,000</i>
<i>Waterford</i>	<i>45,000</i>	<i>267,000</i>
<b><i>Atlantic Gateways</i></b>	<b><i>384,000</i></b>	<b><i>1,107,000</i></b>
<b><i>Dublin</i></b>	<b><i>1,005,000</i></b>	<b><i>1,424,000</i></b>

# Population change, 2002-06



# Persons travelling 45- 59 minutes to work as percentage of total at work, 2002.



# **Atlantic Gateways: key conclusions**

- ***A transformation in how individual Atlantic gateways and their regions are viewed: look to cumulative potential***
- ***A new approach to infrastructure: look to connectivities***
- ***Potential and needs of individual gateways***
- ***Add value to existing initiatives***

# Key Themes

- ***Critical mass***
- ***Connectivity***
- ***Mobilisation***

FIGURE 7 - Gateways & Main Directions for Growth

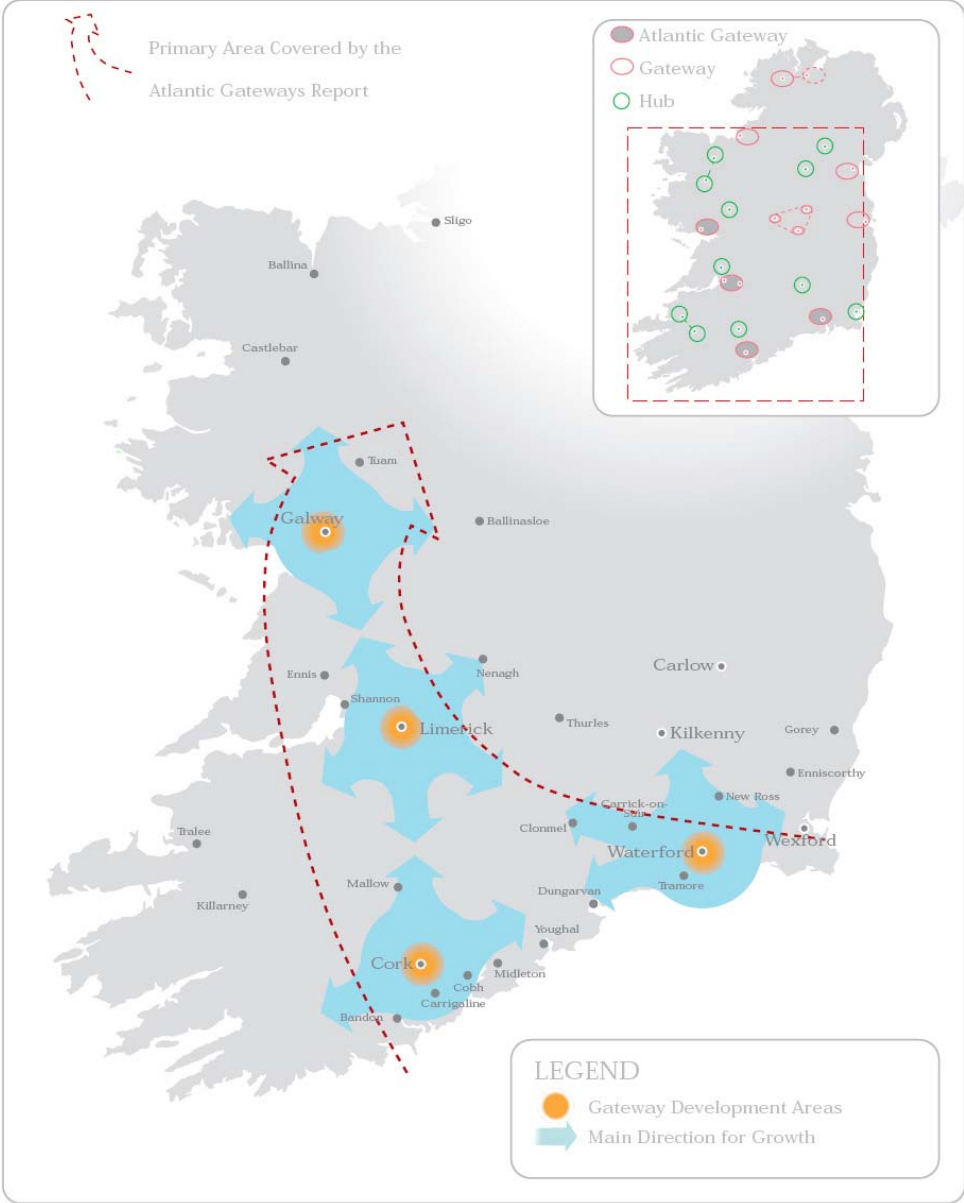
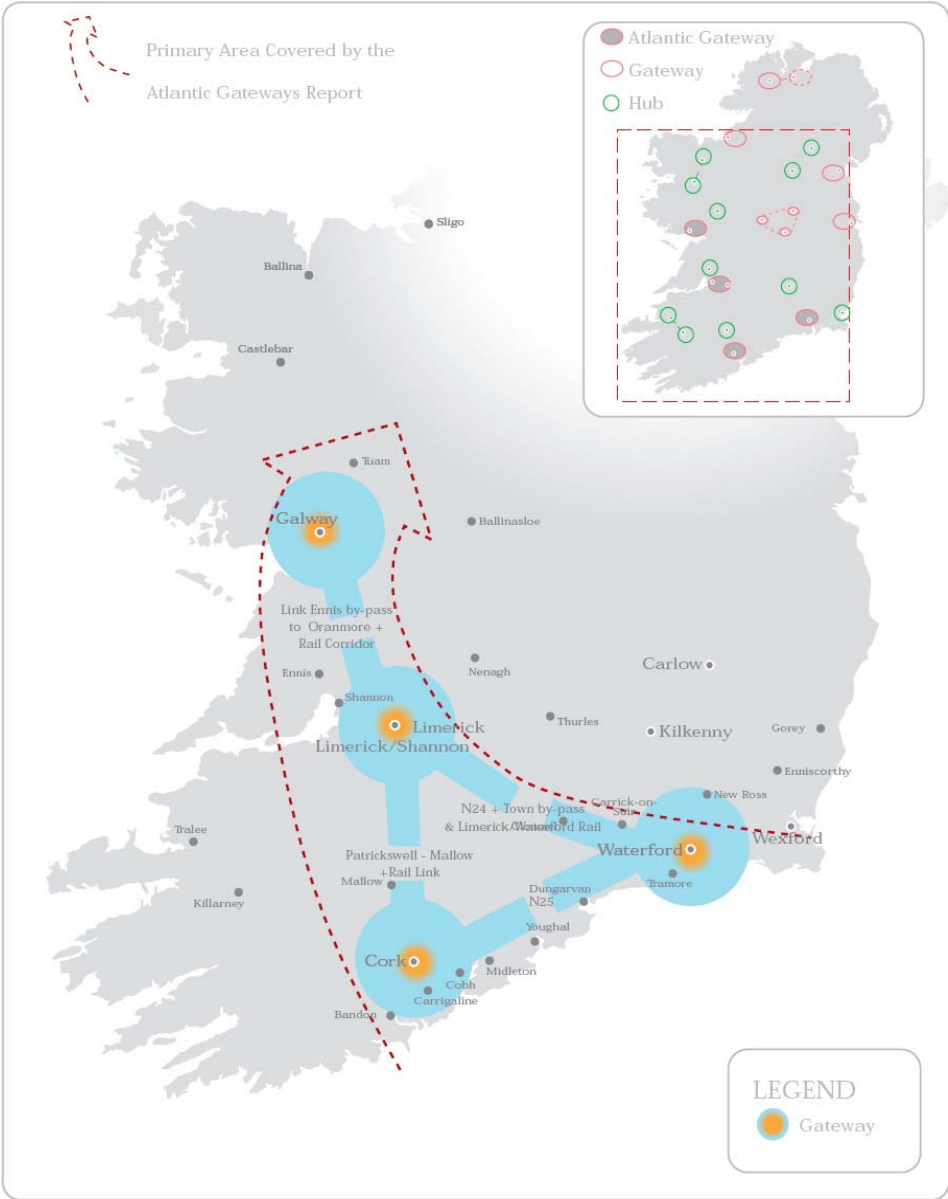


FIGURE 8 - Atlantic Gateways Phase II "Filling the Gaps"





**FIGURE 9 - Atlantic Gateways: Phase III**  
Ireland's Second Metropolitan Corridor.

