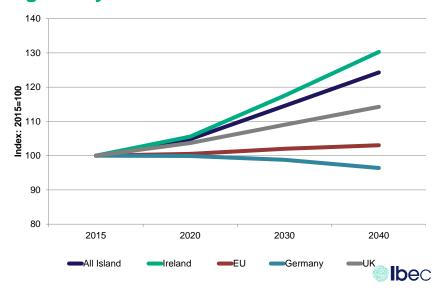


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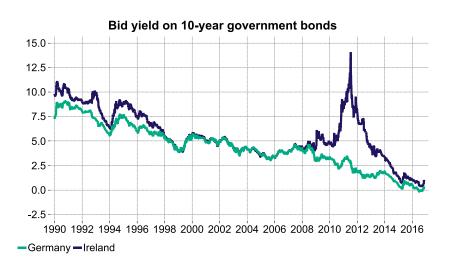




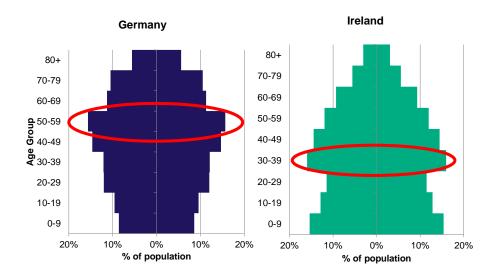
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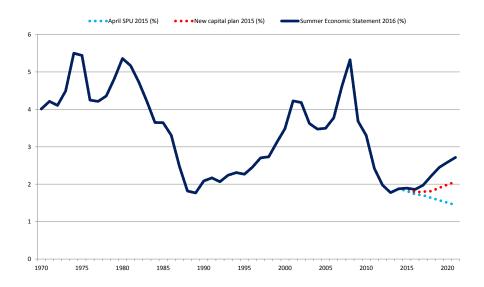
Borrowing costs at all time lows



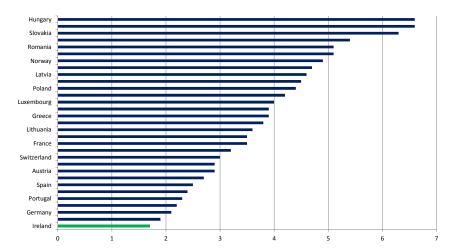
Ireland's population is younger than other EU countries – time is now, not in 20 years



Govt Capital spend, % of GDP, 1970 to 2021



Last year bottom of the table for capital spend (% of GDP)



Ibec Policy Focus

- 1. Ambition for North West Region- Addressing the Spatial Imbalance
- 2. A Vision for the North West Region
 - Infrastructure
 - Skills
 - Quality of Life
 - Spatial development
 - Smart specialisation3. Cities and Place Making
- Short-term (to 2021)
- Medium-term (to 2030)
- 3.a. Changing Ireland demographics, urbanisation, age & mobility
- 3.b. Liveability housing, zoning, service planning etc



Ibec Policy Focus (Continued)

- · 4. Improving the Effectiveness of Planning
 - 4.a. Capital Expenditure link
 - 4.b. Priorities for public investment
- 5. Equipping Ireland for Future Development- Infrastructure Provision
 - a. Energy
 - b. Telecoms and Broadband
 - c. Transport
 - d. Water
 - e. Housing
 - f. Education and Skills
 - g. Health & Wellbeing
- 6. Agency Coordination
 - 6.a. Institutional structures, levels of subsidiarity, and vertical integration of local/regional development planning.
- 7. An All Island Approach to Planning
 - 7.a. Cross border connectivity and Brexit proofing the plan.







Connected

- · Investment is needed to ensure all island development
- Support exports, job creation and business development
- An island of 10 million people by the middle of the next century
- Infrastructure is the backbone of economic activity.
 - · Strategic infrastructure investment to enhance all island connectivity
 - · Improve quality of life and
 - boost economic activity, investment and employment across the island of Ireland
- Recognition of the economic and social connectivity across the border



Current Motorway Network





Connected by rail: 2017





Connected – an All Island Motorway Network

