

What are Parliamentary Constituency (PC) Raster Maps?

The PC raster is a series of 18 maps, showing the 1994 Parliamentary Constituency Boundaries, complete with Ward Boundaries. Published in 2003 these maps are available in jpeg format. Belfast constituencies are depicted at a scale of 1:12 000 while the remainder are at various scales from 1:70 000 to 1:130 000.

Raster mapping is the simplest form of digital mapping. It is a scanned digital version of a paper map, which has been geo-referenced so that each pixel is fixed on the Irish Grid and has Irish Grid co-ordinates.



PC Raster Map extract for Lagan Valley



PC Raster Map extract for North Down

Technical Features & Benefits

- ◆ Help identify which local districts, villages, towns and cities lie within which Parliamentary Constituency
- ◆ Contribute to the archive of boundary change
- ◆ Created in conjunction with the Boundary Commission
- ◆ Can be overlaid on other OSNI products to relate boundaries to feature such as roads and towns

Applications

- ◆ Education
- ◆ Demographic analysis
- ◆ Historical study
- ◆ Statistical analysis
- ◆ Population breakdown
- ◆ Political analysis

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