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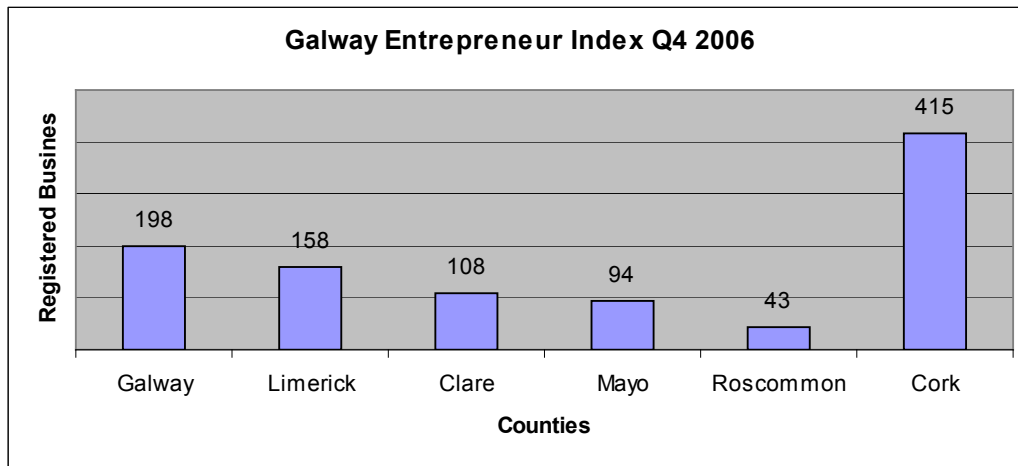
## 811 New Businesses Registered in Galway in 2006

198 New Business Registered in Final Quarter

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Galway, January 4th, 2006: Ridge Web today releases the Galway Entrepreneur Index for the fourth quarter of 2006, showing the number of new Galway based businesses registered at the Companies Registration Office (CRO) in October, November and December 2006.

The figures show that new business generation remains at a steady pace in Galway, with almost exactly 25% of the total number of businesses registered in the county during the year being registered in the final quarter (198 registered in Q4 out of 811 registered in all of 2006).



Galway outperformed Limerick (158) in new business registrations by approximately 25%, and was substantially ahead of neighbouring counties Clare (108). Mayo (94) and Roscommon (43).

While many of the newly registered businesses may be attributed to property management companies, the stalwarts of Construction, Software and Manufacturing all figured heavily in the results.

*(Note to editors: The Galway Entrepreneur Index by Ridge Web will continue to be released on a quarterly basis throughout 2007).*



### About Ridge Web.

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