

# Mining in Ireland – Is there a Future?

## The future of Irish Mining?

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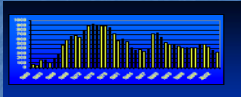
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Figure 1



## Irish Mining in the Past

Figure 2



1960 - 2004

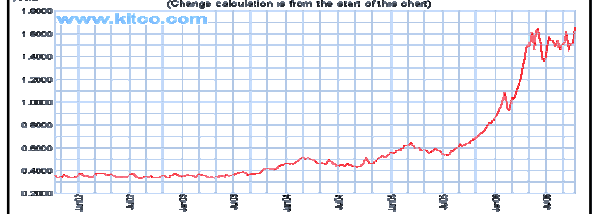


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## 5 Year Gold (\$USD)



## 9 Year Zinc



## Factors affecting Mining in Ireland

Figure 4

Factor	Irish Rating
Geology	Good for zinc, weak for the rest.
Technology	Getting better for deeper deposits.
Markets	The BRIC economies may cause a super cycle.
Economics	Irish costs are too high.
Political Will	Ambivalent at best.
Social	Increasingly hostile attitudes.

## Social Pariahs

