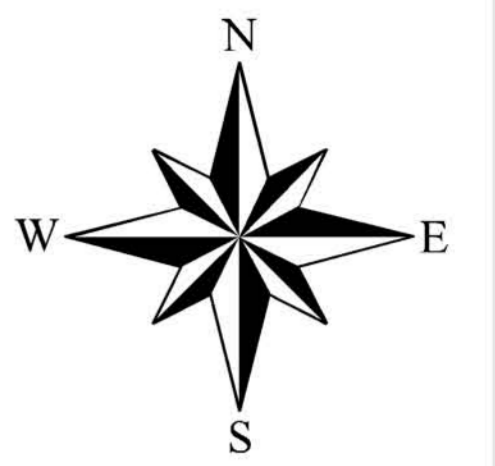


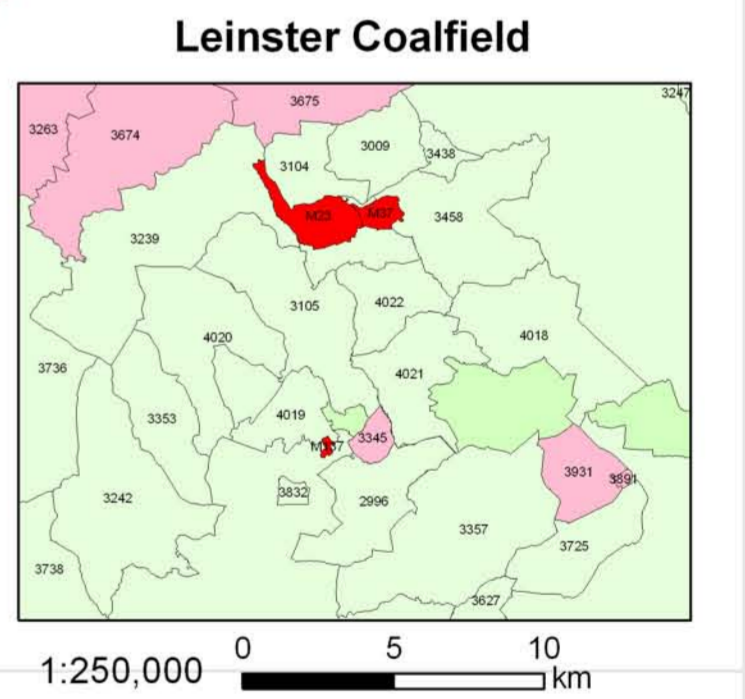
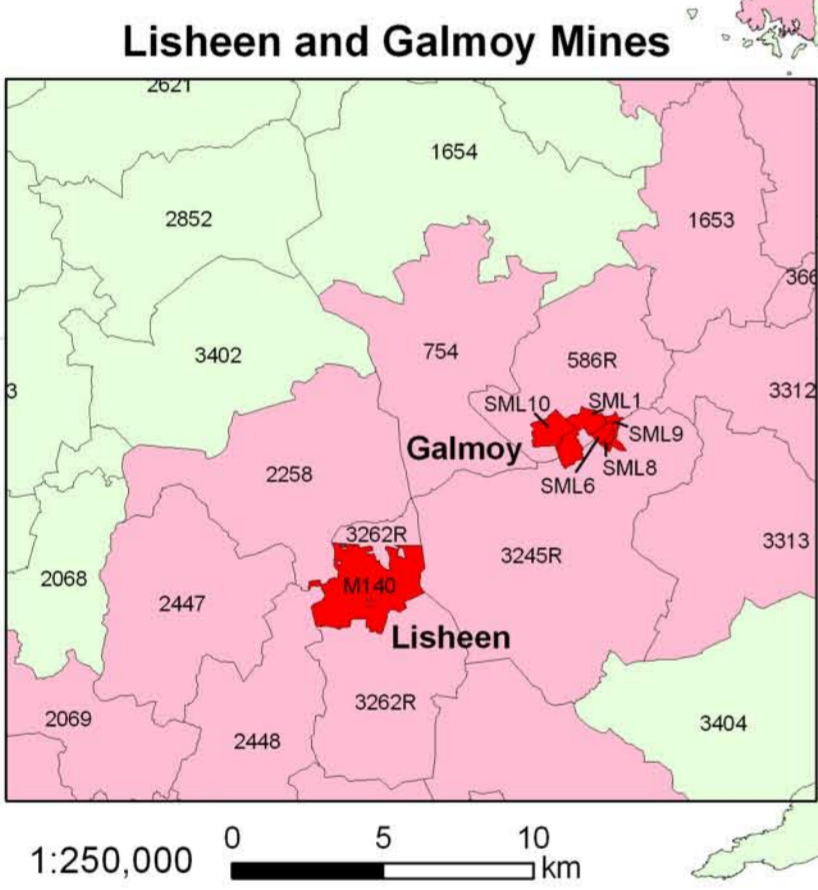
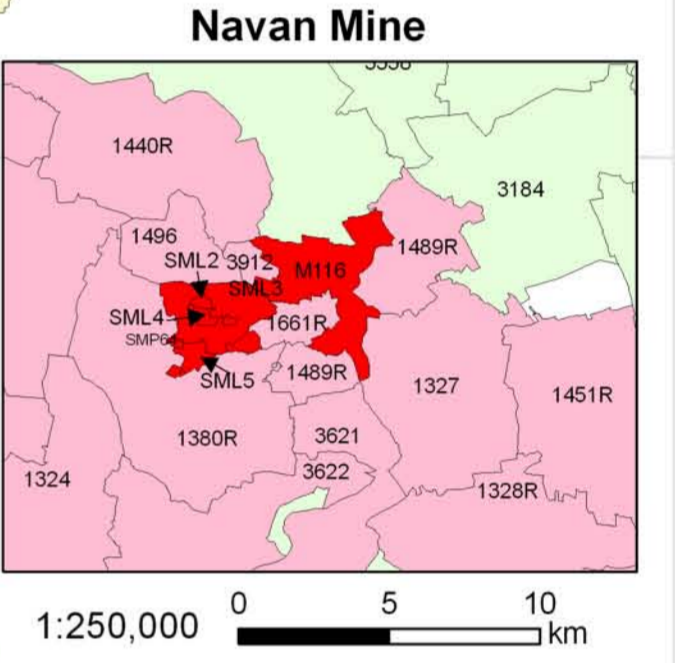
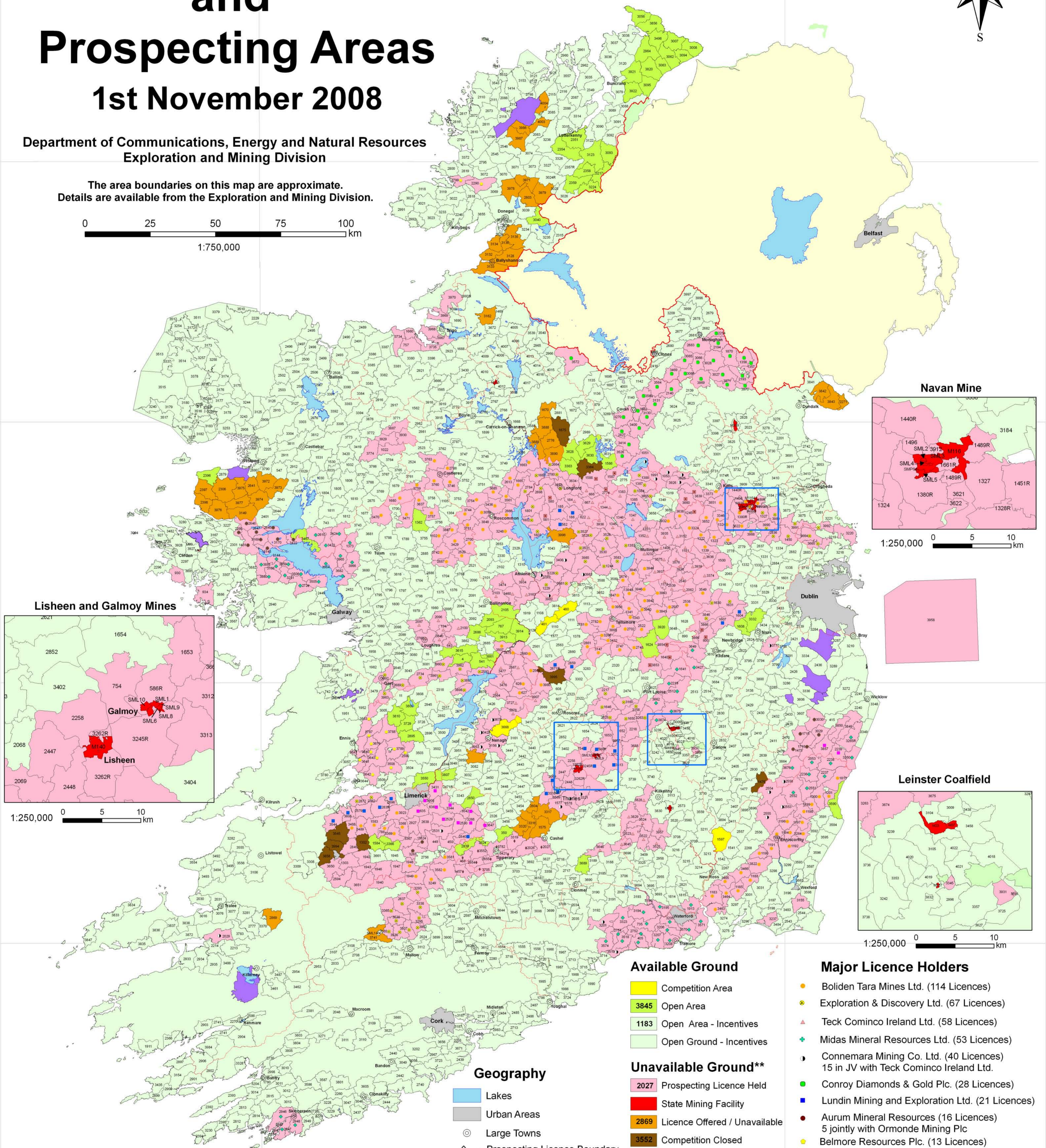
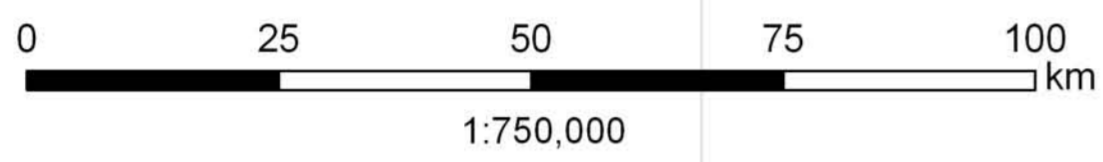
State Mining and Prospecting Areas

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The area boundaries on this map are approximate.
Details are available from the Exploration and Mining Division.



- Available Ground**
- Competition Area
 - 3845 Open Area
 - 1183 Open Area - Incentives
 - Open Ground - Incentives
- Unavailable Ground****
- 2027 Prospecting Licence Held
 - State Mining Facility
 - 2869 Licence Offered / Unavailable
 - 3552 Competition Closed
 - National Parks and other Excluded Areas

- Major Licence Holders**
- Boliden Tara Mines Ltd. (114 Licences)
 - Exploration & Discovery Ltd. (67 Licences)
 - Teck Cominco Ireland Ltd. (58 Licences)
 - Midas Mineral Resources Ltd. (53 Licences)
 - Connemara Mining Co. Ltd. (40 Licences)
15 in JV with Teck Cominco Ireland Ltd.
 - Conroy Diamonds & Gold Plc. (28 Licences)
 - Lundin Mining and Exploration Ltd. (21 Licences)
 - Aurum Mineral Resources (16 Licences)
5 jointly with Ormonde Mining Plc
 - Belmore Resources Plc. (13 Licences)
 - El Nino Ventures Inc. (13 Licences)
 - Minco Ireland Ltd. (12 Licences)
 - Fractore Pty Ltd. (11 Licences)
Of which 3 are jointly with Mincor Resources

- Geography**
- Lakes
 - Urban Areas
 - Large Towns
 - Prospecting Licence Boundary
 - County Boundary

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Current Prospecting Licences	484
Current State Mining Licences	10
Current State Mining Leases	12

**Unavailable ground may be available for application for certain minerals. Please see the Competition Booklet for further information.