

Prime Minister (Taoiseach)
Charles Haughey

Born in Castlebar, County Mayo, Ireland on Sept. 16, 1925, Charles Haughey studied commerce and law at University College, Dublin and King's Inns, Dublin.

From 1947 to 1957 Mr. Haughey was a commissioned officer in An Foras Cosanta Aitiuil. He was a member of Dublin Corporation from 1953 to 1955.

Mr. Haughey was elected to parliament (Dail Eireann) in 1957, representing the Fianna Fail party. From 1960-61 he was parliamentary secretary to the minister for justice, and was minister for justice from 1961-64. He has also served as minister for agriculture (1964-66), minister for finance (1966-70), and minister for health and minister for social welfare (1977-79).

Elected prime minister (Taoiseach) in 1979, Mr. Haughey served until June 1981. He was subsequently reelected in 1982 (March-December) and in March 1987.

Mr. Haughey is married and has three sons and one daughter.

