



## Fluorspar Mineral Occurrences in Ireland

Fluorspar is a mineral on the EU critical raw materials list. Fluorspar occurs in Ireland.

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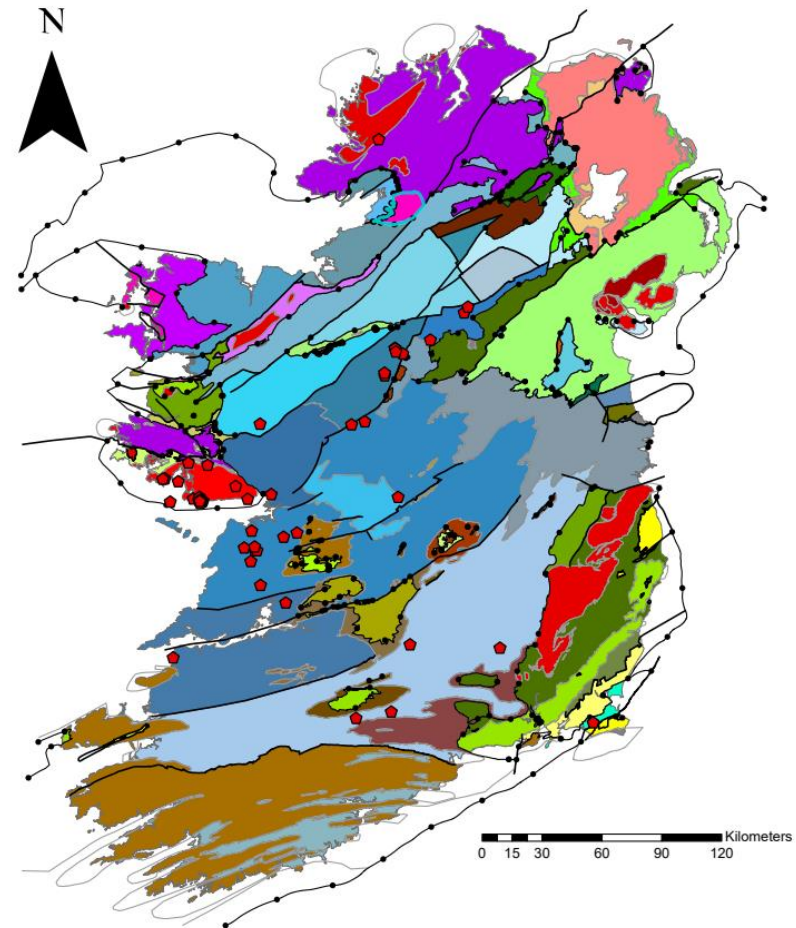
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### Generalities

Fluorspar was listed as a critical raw material on the EU's 2020 list. Fluorspar is used in a wide variety of chemical, metallurgical and ceramic processes.

### Anomalies

The spatial distribution of fluorspar occurrences in Ireland is varied. The distribution can be divided into two types, occurrences associated with a fault and occurrences associated with granite. There are several occurrences that do not fit either category, such as in the mains shelf basin where they appear to sit within the stratigraphy.



1. Figure displaying the distribution of fluorspar occurrences on the structural framework.



## References

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