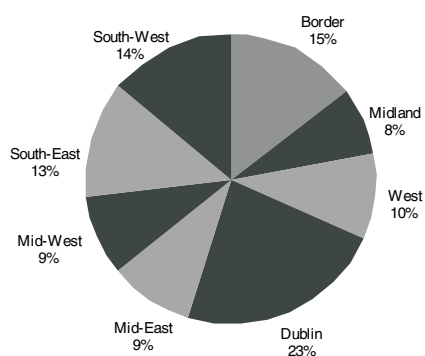




Live Register by Regional Authority



Live Register Additional Tables

January 2009

	January 2009	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Border, Midland and Western	104,030	+ 11,823	+ 46,942
Border	47,775	+ 5,652	+ 21,645
Midland	24,783	+ 2,664	+ 11,363
West	31,472	+ 3,507	+ 13,934
Southern and Eastern	223,831	+ 24,675	+ 99,470
Dublin	75,245	+ 7,740	+ 32,313
Mid-East	30,726	+ 4,134	+ 15,287
Mid-West	29,203	+ 3,288	+ 13,188
South-East	42,982	+ 4,266	+ 18,607
South-West	45,675	+ 5,247	+ 20,075
Total	327,861	+ 36,498	+ 146,412

Live Register increases across all regions in January

The unadjusted Live Register increased to 327,861 in January 2009 from 291,363 in December 2008, a monthly increase of 36,498 (+12.5%). This increase was reflected in all regions, with the largest percentage increase in the Mid-East region (+15.5%). The smallest percentage increase was in the South-East region (+11.0%). See table 1.

In the year to January 2009, the unadjusted Live Register increased by 146,412 (+80.7%). All regions showed annual increases with the largest percentage increase in the Mid-East region (+99.0%). The Dublin region had the smallest percentage increase (+75.3%). See table 1.

Other features in the month include:

- ◆ The number of males increased in all regions. The largest percentage increase was in the Mid-East (+16.1%), while the smallest percentage increases were in the Dublin and South-East regions (both +11.7%). See table 1.
- ◆ The number of females increased in all regions. The largest percentage increase was in the Mid-East region (+14.4%) while the smallest percentage increase was in the Midland region (+8.4%). See table 1.
- ◆ Amongst counties, the largest percentage increase was in Meath (+17.8%), while the smallest percentage increase was in Waterford (+9.2%). See table 3.

The Live Register is not designed to measure unemployment. It includes part-time workers (those who work up to three days a week), seasonal and casual workers entitled to Jobseekers Benefit or Allowance. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest figure for June to August 2008 is 160,600 persons unemployed.

Live Register State figures for January 2009 were released on Wednesday 4th February 2009.

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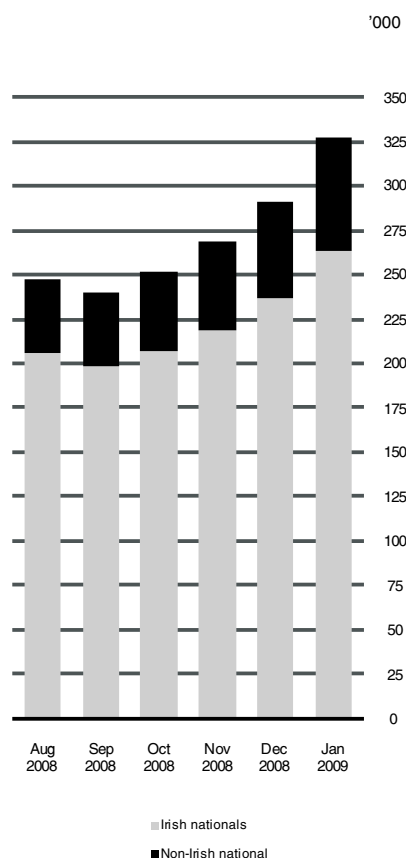
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Live Register by nationality



Rise in both Irish nationals and non-Irish nationals on Live Register in January

In January 2009 there were 263,527 Irish nationals and 64,334 non-Irish nationals on the Live Register. This represents a monthly increase of 26,619 (+11.2%) in Irish nationals and 9,879 (+18.1%) in non-Irish nationals. *See table 4 and graph opposite.*

In the year to January 2009 the number of Irish nationals on the Live Register increased by 108,566, while the corresponding annual increase for non-Irish nationals was 37,846.

Among non-Irish nationals the largest number on the Live Register were nationals from the EU Accession states (35,826) while the smallest number were from the EU15 states outside of Ireland and the UK (3,651).

Non-Irish nationals represented 19.6% of all persons on the Live Register in January 2009. Estimates from the Quarterly National Household Survey for June to August 2008 show that non-Irish nationals represented an estimated 16.1% of all persons in the labour force aged between 17 and 65 years (the relevant age range for the Live Register).

Table 1 Persons on the Live Register classified by Region

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions ¹	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Border, Midland & Western	35,985	61,688	70,301	+ 8,613	+ 34,316	15,262	55,039
Border	16,492	28,215	32,338	+	4,123	7,125	25,213
Midland	8,509	14,819	16,871	+	2,052	3,677	13,194
West	10,984	18,654	21,092	+	2,438	4,460	16,632
Southern & Eastern	80,175	133,643	151,004	+ 17,361	+ 70,829	31,274	119,730
Dublin	28,786	46,011	51,400	+	5,389	10,815	40,585
Mid-East	9,659	17,810	20,679	+	2,869	4,144	16,535
Mid-West	10,155	17,112	19,559	+	2,447	4,197	15,362
South-East	15,481	26,145	29,196	+	3,051	6,266	22,930
South-West	16,094	26,565	30,170	+	3,605	5,852	24,318
Total	116,160	195,331	221,305	+ 25,974	+ 105,145	46,536	174,769
Females							
Border, Midland & Western	21,103	30,519	33,729	+ 3,210	+ 12,626	8,005	25,724
Border	9,638	13,908	15,437	+	1,529	3,652	11,785
Midland	4,911	7,300	7,912	+	612	2,046	5,866
West	6,554	9,311	10,380	+	1,069	2,307	8,073
Southern & Eastern	44,186	65,513	72,827	+ 7,314	+ 28,641	16,046	56,781
Dublin	14,146	21,494	23,845	+	2,351	5,492	18,353
Mid-East	5,780	8,782	10,047	+	1,265	2,033	8,014
Mid-West	5,860	8,803	9,644	+	841	2,219	7,425
South-East	8,894	12,571	13,786	+	1,215	3,224	10,562
South-West	9,506	13,863	15,505	+	1,642	3,078	12,427
Total	65,289	96,032	106,556	+ 10,524	+ 41,267	24,051	82,505
All Persons							
Border, Midland & Western	57,088	92,207	104,030	+ 11,823	+ 46,942	23,267	80,763
Border	26,130	42,123	47,775	+	5,652	10,777	36,998
Midland	13,420	22,119	24,783	+	2,664	5,723	19,060
West	17,538	27,965	31,472	+	3,507	6,767	24,705
Southern & Eastern	124,361	199,156	223,831	+ 24,675	+ 99,470	47,320	176,511
Dublin	42,932	67,505	75,245	+	7,740	16,307	58,938
Mid-East	15,439	26,592	30,726	+	4,134	6,177	24,549
Mid-West	16,015	25,915	29,203	+	3,288	6,416	22,787
South-East	24,375	38,716	42,982	+	4,266	9,490	33,492
South-West	25,600	40,428	45,675	+	5,247	8,930	36,745
Total	181,449	291,363	327,861	+ 36,498	+ 146,412	70,587	257,274

¹ The composition of the regions is described in the Background Notes.

Table 2 Persons on the Live Register classified by Province

Provinces	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Provinces							
Leinster	92,940	150,019	168,994	+	18,975	36,580	132,414
Munster	52,231	82,713	92,883	+	10,170	19,363	73,520
Connacht	21,413	33,996	38,399	+	4,403	8,217	30,182
Ulster	14,865	24,635	27,585	+	2,950	6,427	21,158
Total	181,449	291,363	327,861	+ 36,498	+ 146,412	70,587	257,274

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Border, Midland and Western	57,088	92,207	104,030	15,262	55,039	70,301	8,005	25,724	33,729
Border	26,130	42,123	47,775	7,125	25,213	32,338	3,652	11,785	15,437
Cavan	2,806	5,073	5,802	797	3,163	3,960	463	1,379	1,842
Ballyconnell	496	914	1,044	127	586	713	63	268	331
Cavan	2,310	4,159	4,758	670	2,577	3,247	400	1,111	1,511
Donegal	9,651	15,264	16,772	2,775	8,420	11,195	1,396	4,181	5,577
Ballybofey	942	1,836	2,101	398	1,083	1,481	203	417	620
Ballyshannon	642	1,005	1,152	179	546	725	105	322	427
Buncrana	1,928	3,403	3,951	740	2,053	2,793	307	851	1,158
Donegal	632	1,025	1,155	150	524	674	99	382	481
Dunfanaghy	842	1,260	1,304	190	681	871	86	347	433
Dungloe	1,232	1,703	1,744	227	890	1,117	95	532	627
Killybegs	812	996	1,096	138	539	677	82	337	419
Letterkenny	2,621	4,036	4,269	753	2,104	2,857	419	993	1,412
Leitrim	1,514	2,501	2,836	367	1,566	1,933	144	759	903
Carrick-on-Shannon	1,133	1,860	2,099	268	1,150	1,418	110	571	681
Manorhamilton	381	641	737	99	416	515	34	188	222
Louth	7,390	11,457	13,263	1,912	7,129	9,041	988	3,234	4,222
Ardee	879	1,498	1,804	250	1,014	1,264	129	411	540
Drogheda	3,468	5,406	6,288	844	3,382	4,226	437	1,625	2,062
Dundalk	3,043	4,553	5,171	818	2,733	3,551	422	1,198	1,620
Monaghan	2,408	4,298	5,011	662	2,735	3,397	334	1,280	1,614
Carrickmacross	635	1,169	1,333	161	709	870	87	376	463
Castleblayney	677	1,106	1,286	194	682	876	101	309	410
Clones	277	466	587	94	319	413	42	132	174
Monaghan	819	1,557	1,805	213	1,025	1,238	104	463	567
Sligo	2,361	3,530	4,091	612	2,200	2,812	327	952	1,279
Sligo	1,883	2,817	3,291	512	1,765	2,277	272	742	1,014
Tubbercurry	478	713	800	100	435	535	55	210	265
Midland	13,420	22,119	24,783	3,677	13,194	16,871	2,046	5,866	7,912
Laoighis	3,030	5,378	6,142	971	3,310	4,281	482	1,379	1,861
Portllington	1,228	2,094	2,368	389	1,231	1,620	212	536	748
Portlaoise	1,336	2,550	2,941	444	1,642	2,086	204	651	855
Rathdowney	466	734	833	138	437	575	66	192	258
Longford	2,560	3,840	4,320	583	2,409	2,992	318	1,010	1,328
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Offaly	3,529	5,617	6,279	949	3,389	4,338	528	1,413	1,941
Birr	1,006	1,521	1,665	272	831	1,103	155	407	562
Edenderry	879	1,552	1,726	236	963	1,199	139	388	527
Tullamore	1,644	2,544	2,888	441	1,595	2,036	234	618	852
Westmeath	4,301	7,284	8,042	1,174	4,086	5,260	718	2,064	2,782
Athlone	1,616	2,720	3,083	463	1,525	1,988	295	800	1,095
Castlepollard	491	1,048	1,090	156	531	687	100	303	403
Mullingar	2,194	3,516	3,869	555	2,030	2,585	323	961	1,284
West	17,538	27,965	31,472	4,460	16,632	21,092	2,307	8,073	10,380
Galway	10,575	16,479	18,432	2,555	9,620	12,175	1,399	4,858	6,257
Ballinasloe	1,048	1,787	1,940	324	1,021	1,345	137	458	595
Clifden	782	1,048	1,126	149	550	699	90	337	427
Galway	6,001	8,917	9,967	1,402	5,139	6,541	863	2,563	3,426
Gort	627	978	1,113	130	534	664	62	387	449
Loughrea	838	1,511	1,762	213	970	1,183	106	473	579
Tuam	1,279	2,238	2,524	337	1,406	1,743	141	640	781

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

-continued NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office				Males			Females		
	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	5,379	8,792	9,946	1,405	5,329	6,734	705	2,507	3,212
Achill	247	334	355	48	200	248	23	84	107
Ballina	1,481	2,258	2,555	404	1,388	1,792	203	560	763
Ballinrobe	393	740	858	89	477	566	58	234	292
Belmullet	478	677	714	90	387	477	41	196	237
Castlebar	897	1,536	1,742	237	917	1,154	135	453	588
Claremorris	506	911	1,044	159	567	726	64	254	318
Swinford	765	1,182	1,302	192	703	895	80	327	407
Westport	612	1,154	1,376	186	690	876	101	399	500
Roscommon	1,584	2,694	3,094	500	1,683	2,183	203	708	911
Boyle	412	672	785	127	420	547	46	192	238
Castlerea	705	1,174	1,343	216	733	949	99	295	394
Roscommon	467	848	966	157	530	687	58	221	279
Southern and Eastern	124,361	199,156	223,831	31,274	119,730	151,004	16,046	56,781	72,827
Dublin	42,932	67,505	75,245	10,815	40,585	51,400	5,492	18,353	23,845
Dublin	42,932	67,505	75,245	10,815	40,585	51,400	5,492	18,353	23,845
Bishop Square	3,502	5,652	6,342	782	3,572	4,354	411	1,577	1,988
Cumberland Street	5,225	7,685	8,232	1,030	4,494	5,524	607	2,101	2,708
Navan Road	2,665	3,999	4,575	584	2,566	3,150	323	1,102	1,425
Blanchardstown	3,736	6,128	6,695	928	3,555	4,483	511	1,701	2,212
Thomas Street	2,126	3,089	3,425	410	1,972	2,382	260	783	1,043
Tara Street	1,137	1,837	1,999	215	1,069	1,284	98	617	715
Tallaght	4,123	6,516	7,261	1,190	4,046	5,236	577	1,448	2,025
Ballymun	1,501	2,071	2,219	430	1,133	1,563	220	436	656
Clondalkin	3,991	6,558	7,551	1,243	3,921	5,164	631	1,756	2,387
Rathfarnham	1,948	3,271	3,603	450	1,780	2,230	212	1,161	1,373
Kilbarrack	2,205	3,533	3,847	563	2,090	2,653	222	972	1,194
Dun Laoghaire	2,707	4,547	5,187	572	2,787	3,359	249	1,579	1,828
Balbriggan	1,595	2,760	3,186	397	1,706	2,103	204	879	1,083
Ballyfermot	1,453	2,280	2,524	534	1,369	1,903	225	396	621
Finglas	2,620	3,995	4,580	764	2,494	3,258	374	948	1,322
Coolock	2,398	3,584	4,019	723	2,031	2,754	368	897	1,265
Mid-East	15,439	26,592	30,726	4,144	16,535	20,679	2,033	8,014	10,047
Kildare	6,606	11,533	13,279	1,827	7,048	8,875	950	3,454	4,404
Athy	1,147	1,760	1,968	268	1,075	1,343	141	484	625
Maynooth	1,931	3,589	4,188	599	2,098	2,697	287	1,204	1,491
Newbridge	3,528	6,184	7,123	960	3,875	4,835	522	1,766	2,288
Meath	3,848	6,977	8,219	1,070	4,479	5,549	528	2,142	2,670
Kells	667	1,298	1,477	183	825	1,008	110	359	469
Navan	2,027	3,636	4,303	578	2,379	2,957	247	1,099	1,346
Trim	1,154	2,043	2,439	309	1,275	1,584	171	684	855
Wicklow	4,985	8,082	9,228	1,247	5,008	6,255	555	2,418	2,973
Arklow	1,500	2,421	2,739	392	1,496	1,888	179	672	851
Baltinglass	582	902	996	141	555	696	64	236	300
Bray	1,937	3,289	3,850	495	2,039	2,534	215	1,101	1,316
Wicklow	966	1,470	1,643	219	918	1,137	97	409	506
Mid-West	16,015	25,915	29,203	4,197	15,362	19,559	2,219	7,425	9,644
Clare	4,877	7,503	8,489	1,132	4,294	5,426	575	2,488	3,063
Ennis	2,803	4,259	4,863	649	2,444	3,093	334	1,436	1,770
Ennistymon	792	1,216	1,348	138	688	826	88	434	522
Kilrush	700	1,029	1,174	190	592	782	94	298	392
Tulla	582	999	1,104	155	570	725	59	320	379
Limerick	8,545	14,030	15,786	2,338	8,536	10,874	1,294	3,618	4,912
Kilmallock	988	1,722	1,956	325	1,018	1,343	144	469	613
Limerick	6,255	10,075	11,259	1,638	6,098	7,736	949	2,574	3,523
Newcastle West	1,302	2,233	2,571	375	1,420	1,795	201	575	776

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

-continued				Males			Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	January 2008	December 2008	January 2009	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
North Tipperary	2,593	4,382	4,928	727	2,532	3,259	350	1,319	1,669
Nenagh	978	1,710	1,956	268	982	1,250	141	565	706
Roscrea	505	843	890	141	438	579	72	239	311
Thurles	1,110	1,829	2,082	318	1,112	1,430	137	515	652
South-East	24,375	38,716	42,982	6,266	22,930	29,196	3,224	10,562	13,786
Carlow	2,614	4,395	4,853	748	2,670	3,418	336	1,099	1,435
Bagenalstown	559	1,013	1,110	182	614	796	77	237	314
Carlow	1,473	2,385	2,608	411	1,453	1,864	186	558	744
Tullow	582	997	1,135	155	603	758	73	304	377
Kilkenny	3,006	4,973	5,613	743	3,131	3,874	404	1,335	1,739
Kilkenny	2,540	4,133	4,667	598	2,602	3,200	349	1,118	1,467
Thomastown	466	840	946	145	529	674	55	217	272
South Tipperary	3,524	5,879	6,547	1,110	3,607	4,717	467	1,363	1,830
Cahir	452	864	954	150	534	684	63	207	270
Carrick-on-Suir	1,005	1,508	1,606	246	874	1,120	109	377	486
Cashel	376	735	818	146	439	585	49	184	233
Clonmel	1,068	1,667	1,917	350	1,041	1,391	156	370	526
Tipperary	623	1,105	1,252	218	719	937	90	225	315
Waterford	7,092	10,491	11,458	1,602	6,148	7,750	838	2,870	3,708
Dungarvan	1,041	1,569	1,710	263	939	1,202	108	400	508
Waterford	6,051	8,922	9,748	1,339	5,209	6,548	730	2,470	3,200
Wexford	8,139	12,978	14,511	2,063	7,374	9,437	1,179	3,895	5,074
Enniscorthy	2,075	3,249	3,625	568	1,967	2,535	294	796	1,090
Gorey	1,459	2,607	2,966	375	1,511	1,886	216	864	1,080
New Ross	1,447	2,300	2,501	350	1,298	1,648	202	651	853
Wexford	3,158	4,822	5,419	770	2,598	3,368	467	1,584	2,051
South-West	25,600	40,428	45,675	5,852	24,318	30,170	3,078	12,427	15,505
Cork	17,670	28,064	32,018	4,176	17,273	21,449	2,141	8,428	10,569
Bandon	660	1,063	1,224	175	674	849	87	288	375
Bantry	396	648	794	89	375	464	47	283	330
Bantry (SWLO)	161	224	266	26	118	144	15	107	122
Carrigaline	773	1,428	1,622	202	852	1,054	102	466	568
Clonakilty	515	807	949	70	473	543	55	351	406
Cobh	441	695	782	103	424	527	59	196	255
Cork	8,224	12,637	14,381	2,109	7,967	10,076	1,017	3,288	4,305
Fermoy	1,092	1,706	1,888	267	1,011	1,278	116	494	610
Kinsale	659	979	1,064	87	497	584	48	432	480
Macroom	593	1,100	1,284	152	721	873	73	338	411
Mallow	957	1,794	1,908	246	1,066	1,312	142	454	596
Midleton	1,282	2,039	2,328	245	1,274	1,519	139	670	809
Newmarket	624	1,070	1,380	160	727	887	86	407	493
Skibbereen	413	667	783	79	399	478	41	264	305
Youghal	880	1,207	1,365	166	695	861	114	390	504
Kerry	7,930	12,364	13,657	1,676	7,045	8,721	937	3,999	4,936
Cahirciveen	399	579	635	73	281	354	36	245	281
Dingle	431	609	700	47	337	384	31	285	316
Kenmare	336	532	659	66	288	354	49	256	305
Killarney	1,468	2,370	2,756	316	1,240	1,556	217	983	1,200
Killorglin	508	963	1,066	120	576	696	57	313	370
Listowel	1,357	2,351	2,268	321	1,300	1,621	128	519	647
Tralee	3,431	4,960	5,573	733	3,023	3,756	419	1,398	1,817
State	181,449	291,363	327,861	46,536	174,769	221,305	24,051	82,505	106,556

Table 4 Nationality of Persons on the Live Register by month

		Nationality						
		Non-Irish Nationals				Non-Irish nationals	Irish nationals	Total Persons
		United Kingdom	EU15 excl. Irl. & UK	Accession states EU15 to EU27	Other nationals			
2007	January	7,545	1,517	4,198	5,882	19,142	139,610	158,752
	February	7,569	1,527	4,696	5,890	19,682	139,717	159,399
	March	7,483	1,447	5,242	5,678	19,850	136,019	155,869
	April	7,401	1,458	5,386	5,593	19,838	134,481	154,319
	May	7,367	1,462	5,506	5,743	20,078	133,932	154,010
	June	7,841	1,567	5,860	6,453	21,721	144,642	166,363
	July	8,137	1,614	6,139	6,601	22,491	152,103	174,594
	August	8,246	1,640	6,544	6,627	23,057	151,149	174,206
	September	7,732	1,497	6,326	5,902	21,457	138,994	160,451
	October	7,612	1,473	6,542	5,408	21,035	136,414	157,449
	November	7,851	1,516	7,433	5,439	22,239	139,483	161,722
	December	8,150	1,610	7,934	5,540	23,234	147,142	170,376
2008	January	8,756	1,759	10,064	5,909	26,488	154,961	181,449
	February	9,073	1,858	12,545	6,247	29,723	159,762	189,485
	March	9,349	1,959	13,403	6,408	31,119	166,873	197,992
	April	9,401	1,921	14,166	6,483	31,971	163,627	195,598
	May	9,600	1,945	14,738	6,996	33,279	168,477	201,756
	June	10,268	2,146	15,623	7,831	35,868	184,943	220,811
	July	10,969	2,327	16,953	8,215	38,464	199,776	238,240
	August	11,426	2,446	18,581	8,648	41,101	206,283	247,384
	September	11,186	2,419	19,381	8,228	41,214	199,003	240,217
	October	11,584	2,654	22,285	8,077	44,600	207,351	251,951
	November	12,372	2,902	26,089	8,513	49,876	218,710	268,586
	December	13,279	3,211	28,950	9,015	54,455	236,908	291,363
2009	January	14,807	3,651	35,826	10,050	64,334	263,527	327,861

Background Notes

Source and scope of the Live Register	<p>The Live Register is compiled from returns made for each local office to the Central Statistics Office by the Department of Social and Family Affairs. It comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ All Claimants for Jobseekers Benefit (JB) excluding systematic short-time workers ◆ Applicants for Jobseekers Allowance (JA) excluding smallholders/farm assists and other self-employed persons ◆ Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.
Reference Period	<p>The reference periods for the Live register results are as follows:</p> <p>January 2009 – 27th December 2008 to 30th January 2009</p> <p>January 2008 – 29th December 2007 to the 25th January 2008.</p>
Descriptive articles	<p>The compilation basis for the Live Register statistics from May 1992 onwards is described in the September 1992 issue of the <i>Statistical Bulletin</i>. The March 1980 issue contained a description of the basis used up to April 1992 while a more comprehensive treatment of Live Register statistics appeared in the “Report of the Inter-Departmental Study Group on Unemployment Statistics” (Stationery Office Dublin, Prl.7925, April 1979). The results of a special study of the differences between the Labour Force Survey (LFS) Estimates of Unemployment and the Live Register are contained in the December 1996 issue of the <i>Statistical Bulletin</i>.</p>
Unemployment statistics	<p>The Live Register is not designed to measure unemployment. It includes part-time (those who work up to three days a week), seasonal and casual workers entitled to Jobseekers Allowance or Jobseekers Benefit. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey (formerly the Annual Labour Force Survey).</p>
Live Register Area Analysis	<p>The basis of the area classification used in this release is the Department of Social and Family Affairs local office of registration. The areas served by Local Employment Offices do not correspond to specific geographic boundaries. Therefore, registrants at a given local office do not necessarily come from a particular region or area which can be precisely delineated. A classification by area of residence of persons on the Live Register was published until January 1989 but was then discontinued.</p>
Nationality	<p>Data in the nationality table is sourced from information collected by the Department of Social and Family Affairs on the nationality of claimants when they first sign on the Live Register.</p>
NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions	<p>The regional classifications in this release are based on the NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units) classification used by Eurostat. The NUTS3 regions correspond to the eight Regional Authorities established under the Local Government Act, 1991 (Regional Authorities) (Establishment) Order, 1993, which came into operation on 1 January 1994. The NUTS2 regions, which were proposed by Government and agreed by Eurostat in 1999, are groupings of the NUTS3 regions.</p>

**Border, Midland and
Western NUTS2 Region**

Border	Cavan Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo
Midland	Laoighis Longford Offaly Westmeath
West	Galway City Galway County Mayo Roscommon

**Southern and Eastern
NUTS2 Region**

Dublin	Dublin City Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Fingal South Dublin
Mid-East	Kildare Meath Wicklow
Mid-West	Clare Limerick City Limerick County North Tipperary
South-East	Carlow Kilkenny South Tipperary Waterford City Waterford County Wexford
South-West	Cork City Cork County Kerry