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Preas Ráiteas Press Statement

Quarterly National Household Survey Quarter 3 2016

Summary of headline results

Main Results	Quarter 3 2016	Annual change
Employed	2,040,500	+ 57,500
Unemployed	177,700	- 25,300
In Labour Force	2,218,200	+ 32,200
Not in Labour Force	1,430,300	+ 3,100

Number of Persons in Employment

- ♦ There was an annual increase in employment of 2.9% or 57,500 in the year to the third quarter of 2016, bringing total employment to 2,040,500.
- ♦ On a seasonally adjusted basis, employment increased by 13,500 (+0.7%) over the previous quarter. This follows on from a seasonally adjusted increase in employment of 18,900 (+0.9%) in Q2 2016.

Number of Persons Unemployed

- ♦ The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased from 8.3% to 7.9% over the quarter.
- ♦ Unemployment decreased by 25,300 (-12.5%) in the year to Q3 2016 bringing the total number of persons unemployed to 177,700.
- ♦ The long-term unemployment rate decreased from 5.0% to 4.2% over the year to Q3 2016. Long-term unemployment accounted for 52.0% of total unemployment in Q3 2016 compared with 54.1% a year earlier and 56.7% in the third quarter of 2014.

Labour Force

♦ The total number of persons in the labour force in the third quarter of 2016 was 2,218,200 representing an increase of 32,200 (+1.5%) over the year. The number of persons not in the labour force in Q3 2016 was 1,430,300, an increase of 3,100 (+0.2%) over the year.

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