



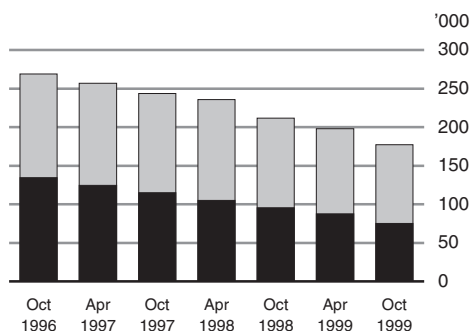
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Live Register Age by Duration Analysis October 1999

Duration of Continuous Registration



□ Less than one year ■ One year or more

	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
October 1998	116,115	95,355	211,470
April 1999	110,446	87,630	198,076
October 1999	102,183	75,109	177,292
Change in 6 months	-8,263	-12,521	-20,784
Annual change	-13,932	-20,246	-34,178

Long term claimants down by over 20,000

In the 12 months to October 1999, the number of long term claimants on the Live Register decreased by 20,246. The number of persons signing on for under 1 year decreased by almost 14,000 in the year. Over half of these decreases occurred in the six months from April to October 1999.

In October 1999, 42% of claimants were on the Live Register for at least 1 year, compared to 45% in October 1998 and 47% in October 1997. *See Table 1.*

Other features include:

- ◆ In October 1999 nearly two thirds of female registrants were signing on for less than one year. The number of men was split more evenly between long and short term claimants, with 51% on the Live Register for less than one year. *See Table 1.*
- ◆ Of the 52,032 male short term claimants, 24,396 (or 47%) were signing on for less than 3 months. Just under 60% of the long term male claimants were signing on for at least 3 years. *See Table 5b.*
- ◆ Just over half of the short term female claimants were signing on for under 3 months. *See Table 5b.*
- ◆ In the year to October 1999, the number of men and women signing on fell in almost all age groups, with slight increases only for males aged 60 or over and females aged above 55. The steepest falls for both men and women were in the 25-34 age group. *See Table 2.*

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 Unemployment Assistance or Benefit. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest figure, for Jun-Aug 1999, is 101,100 persons unemployed.

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Table 1 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration

Sex/Duration	April 1997	October 1997	April 1998	October 1998	April 1999	October 1999
Males						
Less than one year	73,733	70,938	70,829	62,255	58,551	52,032
One year or more	85,728	78,128	70,442	63,503	58,019	49,522
Total	159,461	149,066	141,271	125,758	116,570	101,554
Females						
Less than one year	58,665	57,413	59,951	53,860	51,895	50,151
One year or more	38,730	37,002	34,639	31,852	29,611	25,587
Total	97,395	94,415	94,590	85,712	81,506	75,738
All Persons						
Less than one year	132,398	128,351	130,780	116,115	110,446	102,183
One year or more	124,458	115,130	105,081	95,355	87,630	75,109
Total	256,856	243,481	235,861	211,470	198,076	177,292

Table 2 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex and Age

Sex/Age	April 1997	October 1997	April 1998	October 1998	April 1999	October 1999
Males						
Under 20 years	8,233	7,168	5,914	4,938	4,510	3,476
20 - 24 years	26,196	23,636	21,633	18,561	16,411	13,155
25 - 34 years	44,251	41,517	38,676	34,354	31,380	26,291
35 - 44 years	37,524	35,140	33,044	29,655	27,636	23,893
45 - 54 years	30,387	29,160	29,264	26,624	24,942	23,364
55 - 59 years	8,731	8,310	8,267	7,401	7,403	7,063
60 - 64 years	4,139	4,135	4,473	4,225	4,288	4,312
Total	159,461	149,066	141,271	125,758	116,570	101,554
Females						
Under 20 years	6,470	5,910	4,995	4,334	3,709	3,096
20 - 24 years	18,979	17,642	16,218	13,850	12,150	10,729
25 - 34 years	30,250	29,238	29,298	26,688	25,392	22,957
35 - 44 years	22,025	21,743	22,492	21,302	20,884	19,949
45 - 54 years	13,779	13,615	14,608	13,547	13,357	12,899
55 - 59 years	4,092	4,298	4,677	3,956	3,961	3,965
60 - 64 years	1,800	1,969	2,302	2,035	2,053	2,143
Total	97,395	94,415	94,590	85,712	81,506	75,738
All Persons						
Under 20 years	14,703	13,078	10,909	9,272	8,219	6,572
20 - 24 years	45,175	41,278	37,851	32,411	28,561	23,884
25 - 34 years	74,501	70,755	67,974	61,042	56,772	49,248
35 - 44 years	59,549	56,883	55,536	50,957	48,520	43,842
45 - 54 years	44,166	42,775	43,872	40,171	38,299	36,263
55 - 59 years	12,823	12,608	12,944	11,357	11,364	11,028
60 - 64 years	5,939	6,104	6,775	6,260	6,341	6,455
Total	256,856	243,481	235,861	211,470	198,076	177,292

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 1999

Sex/Duration	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South-East	South-West	West	Total
Males									
Less than one year	8,692	13,621	3,375	2,908	4,100	6,654	6,867	5,815	52,032
One year or more	7,496	14,802	3,188	2,490	3,271	5,640	7,173	5,462	49,522
Total	16,188	28,423	6,563	5,398	7,371	12,294	14,040	11,277	101,554
Females									
Less than one year	7,767	12,912	3,706	2,913	4,133	6,956	6,925	4,839	50,151
One year or more	3,717	6,018	1,870	1,586	1,959	3,180	4,269	2,988	25,587
Total	11,484	18,930	5,576	4,499	6,092	10,136	11,194	7,827	75,738
All Persons									
Less than one year	16,459	26,533	7,081	5,821	8,233	13,610	13,792	10,654	102,183
One year or more	11,213	20,820	5,058	4,076	5,230	8,820	11,442	8,450	75,109
Total	27,672	47,353	12,139	9,897	13,463	22,430	25,234	19,104	177,292

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Age and Sex, October 1999

Sex/Age	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South-East	South-West	West	Total
Males									
Under 20 years	596	897	288	232	313	562	355	233	3,476
20 - 24 years	2,333	3,823	828	705	890	1,621	1,657	1,298	13,155
25 - 34 years	4,153	7,760	1,729	1,339	1,899	3,045	3,634	2,732	26,291
35 - 44 years	3,804	6,379	1,508	1,261	1,871	2,896	3,390	2,784	23,893
45 - 54 years	3,718	6,142	1,458	1,269	1,636	2,887	3,471	2,783	23,364
55 - 59 years	1,041	1,951	494	381	491	829	955	921	7,063
60 - 64 years	543	1,471	258	211	271	454	578	526	4,312
Total	16,188	28,423	6,563	5,398	7,371	12,294	14,040	11,277	101,554
Females									
Under 20 years	519	696	265	217	231	549	407	212	3,096
20 - 24 years	1,895	2,551	668	644	862	1,500	1,521	1,088	10,729
25 - 34 years	3,451	5,655	1,758	1,286	1,919	3,199	3,530	2,159	22,957
35 - 44 years	2,840	4,723	1,592	1,233	1,659	2,675	3,052	2,175	19,949
45 - 54 years	1,987	3,383	896	784	958	1,570	1,876	1,445	12,899
55 - 59 years	537	1,121	299	226	282	431	548	521	3,965
60 - 64 years	255	801	98	109	181	212	260	227	2,143
Total	11,484	18,930	5,576	4,499	6,092	10,136	11,194	7,827	75,738
All Persons									
Under 20 years	1,115	1,593	553	449	544	1,111	762	445	6,572
20 - 24 years	4,228	6,374	1,496	1,349	1,752	3,121	3,178	2,386	23,884
25 - 34 years	7,604	13,415	3,487	2,625	3,818	6,244	7,164	4,891	49,248
35 - 44 years	6,644	11,102	3,100	2,494	3,530	5,571	6,442	4,959	43,842
45 - 54 years	5,705	9,525	2,354	2,053	2,594	4,457	5,347	4,228	36,263
55 - 59 years	1,578	3,072	793	607	773	1,260	1,503	1,442	11,028
60 - 64 years	798	2,272	356	320	452	666	838	753	6,455
Total	27,672	47,353	12,139	9,897	13,463	22,430	25,234	19,104	177,292

Table 5a Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 1999

Sex/Age	Duration of Continuous Registration		Total
	Under 1 year	1 year or more	
Males			
Under 20 years	3,023	453	3,476
20 - 24 years	8,853	4,302	13,155
25 - 34 years	14,818	11,473	26,291
35 - 44 years	11,069	12,824	23,893
45 - 54 years	8,706	14,658	23,364
55 - 59 years	3,288	3,775	7,063
60 - 64 years	2,275	2,037	4,312
Total	52,032	49,522	101,554
Females			
Under 20 years	2,682	414	3,096
20 - 24 years	7,794	2,935	10,729
25 - 34 years	15,962	6,995	22,957
35 - 44 years	12,321	7,628	19,949
45 - 54 years	7,649	5,250	12,899
55 - 59 years	2,391	1,574	3,965
60 - 64 years	1,352	791	2,143
Total	50,151	25,587	75,738
All Persons			
Under 20 years	5,705	867	6,572
20 - 24 years	16,647	7,237	23,884
25 - 34 years	30,780	18,468	49,248
35 - 44 years	23,390	20,452	43,842
45 - 54 years	16,355	19,908	36,263
55 - 59 years	5,679	5,349	11,028
60 - 64 years	3,627	2,828	6,455
Total	102,183	75,109	177,292

Table 5b Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration (Detailed), October 1999

Sex/Age	Duration of Continuous Registration						Total
	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	
Males							
Under 20 years	1,503	854	666	365	62	26	3,476
20 - 24 years	4,333	2,474	2,046	1,698	1,096	1,508	13,155
25 - 34 years	7,070	3,763	3,985	3,414	1,950	6,109	26,291
35 - 44 years	5,156	2,723	3,190	2,784	1,659	8,381	23,893
45 - 54 years	3,944	2,061	2,701	3,784	1,643	9,231	23,364
55 - 59 years	1,441	836	1,011	1,439	496	1,840	7,063
60 - 64 years	949	545	781	780	293	964	4,312
Total	24,396	13,256	14,380	14,264	7,199	28,059	101,554
Females							
Under 20 years	1,367	715	600	352	48	14	3,096
20 - 24 years	4,136	2,074	1,584	1,284	786	865	10,729
25 - 34 years	8,146	3,710	4,106	2,902	1,220	2,873	22,957
35 - 44 years	6,296	2,774	3,251	2,673	1,311	3,644	19,949
45 - 54 years	4,152	1,596	1,901	1,892	870	2,488	12,899
55 - 59 years	1,209	518	664	603	339	632	3,965
60 - 64 years	694	277	381	296	167	328	2,143
Total	26,000	11,664	12,487	10,002	4,741	10,844	75,738
All Persons							
Under 20 years	2,870	1,569	1,266	717	110	40	6,572
20 - 24 years	8,469	4,548	3,630	2,982	1,882	2,373	23,884
25 - 34 years	15,216	7,473	8,091	6,316	3,170	8,982	49,248
35 - 44 years	11,452	5,497	6,441	5,457	2,970	12,025	43,842
45 - 54 years	8,096	3,657	4,602	5,676	2,513	11,719	36,263
55 - 59 years	2,650	1,354	1,675	2,042	835	2,472	11,028
60 - 64 years	1,643	822	1,162	1,076	460	1,292	6,455
Total	50,396	24,920	26,867	24,266	11,940	38,903	177,292

Table 6a Persons on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 1999

Type of Claim and Age	Duration of Continuous Registration						Total
	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	531	286	188	44	0	0	1,049
20 - 24 years	3,175	1,573	1,250	427	13	0	6,438
25 - 34 years	8,852	3,935	4,472	1,787	65	0	19,111
35 - 44 years	7,270	2,983	3,486	1,644	103	0	15,486
45 - 54 years	5,039	2,012	2,347	1,187	83	0	10,668
55 - 59 years	1,660	781	903	462	36	0	3,842
60 - 64 years	1,063	473	711	304	15	0	2,566
Total	27,590	12,043	13,357	5,855	315	0	59,160
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	2,324	1,274	1,074	671	110	40	5,493
20 - 24 years	5,233	2,917	2,336	2,520	1,849	2,357	17,212
25 - 34 years	5,847	3,137	3,169	3,994	2,752	8,444	27,343
35 - 44 years	3,515	1,898	2,278	2,860	2,174	10,494	23,219
45 - 54 years	2,535	1,220	1,647	3,860	1,991	10,750	22,003
55 - 59 years	727	362	451	1,294	541	2,037	5,412
60 - 64 years	387	180	242	546	265	1,008	2,628
Total	20,568	10,988	11,197	15,745	9,682	35,130	103,310
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	15	9	4	2	0	0	30
20 - 24 years	61	58	44	35	20	16	234
25 - 34 years	517	401	450	535	353	538	2,794
35 - 44 years	667	616	677	953	693	1,531	5,137
45 - 54 years	522	425	608	629	439	969	3,592
55 - 59 years	263	211	321	286	258	435	1,774
60 - 64 years	193	169	209	226	180	284	1,261
Total	2,238	1,889	2,313	2,666	1,943	3,773	14,822

Table 6b Number of Males on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 1999

Type of Claim and Age	Duration of Continuous Registration						Total
	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	296	156	113	25	0	0	590
20 - 24 years	1,679	838	636	211	4	0	3,368
25 - 34 years	3,334	1,584	1,665	577	27	0	7,187
35 - 44 years	2,625	1,269	1,400	602	16	0	5,912
45 - 54 years	2,089	1,084	1,253	565	24	0	5,015
55 - 59 years	819	467	530	271	9	0	2,096
60 - 64 years	570	311	491	195	6	0	1,573
Total	11,412	5,709	6,088	2,446	86	0	25,741
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,202	696	553	340	62	26	2,879
20 - 24 years	2,646	1,630	1,404	1,481	1,090	1,507	9,758
25 - 34 years	3,700	2,138	2,282	2,813	1,903	6,079	18,915
35 - 44 years	2,468	1,387	1,710	2,098	1,590	8,276	17,529
45 - 54 years	1,758	874	1,267	3,052	1,507	9,004	17,462
55 - 59 years	503	260	330	1,049	395	1,668	4,205
60 - 64 years	280	143	185	460	196	839	2,103
Total	12,557	7,128	7,731	11,293	6,743	27,399	72,851
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	5	2	0	0	0	0	7
20 - 24 years	8	6	6	6	2	1	29
25 - 34 years	36	41	38	24	20	30	189
35 - 44 years	63	67	80	84	53	105	452
45 - 54 years	97	103	181	167	112	227	887
55 - 59 years	119	109	151	119	92	172	762
60 - 64 years	99	91	105	125	91	125	636
Total	427	419	561	525	370	660	2,962

Table 6c Number of Females on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 1999

Type of Claim and Age	Duration of Continuous Registration						Total
	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	235	130	75	19	0	0	459
20 - 24 years	1,496	735	614	216	9	0	3,070
25 - 34 years	5,518	2,351	2,807	1,210	38	0	11,924
35 - 44 years	4,645	1,714	2,086	1,042	87	0	9,574
45 - 54 years	2,950	928	1,094	622	59	0	5,653
55 - 59 years	841	314	373	191	27	0	1,746
60 - 64 years	493	162	220	109	9	0	993
Total	16,178	6,334	7,269	3,409	229	0	33,419
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,122	578	521	331	48	14	2,614
20 - 24 years	2,587	1,287	932	1,039	759	850	7,454
25 - 34 years	2,147	999	887	1,181	849	2,365	8,428
35 - 44 years	1,047	511	568	762	584	2,218	5,690
45 - 54 years	777	346	380	808	484	1,746	4,541
55 - 59 years	224	102	121	245	146	369	1,207
60 - 64 years	107	37	57	86	69	169	525
Total	8,011	3,860	3,466	4,452	2,939	7,731	30,459
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	10	7	4	2	0	0	23
20 - 24 years	53	52	38	29	18	15	205
25 - 34 years	481	360	412	511	333	508	2,605
35 - 44 years	604	549	597	869	640	1,426	4,685
45 - 54 years	425	322	427	462	327	742	2,705
55 - 59 years	144	102	170	167	166	263	1,012
60 - 64 years	94	78	104	101	89	159	625
Total	1,811	1,470	1,752	2,141	1,573	3,113	11,860

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 1999

Regional Authority	Duration of Continuous Registration						Total
	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	
Border							
Males	4,281	2,220	2,191	2,229	997	4,270	16,188
Females	4,499	1,680	1,588	1,330	622	1,765	11,484
Total	8,780	3,900	3,779	3,559	1,619	6,035	27,672
Dublin							
Males	6,420	3,320	3,881	4,308	1,986	8,508	28,423
Females	7,030	2,669	3,213	2,482	1,033	2,503	18,930
Total	13,450	5,989	7,094	6,790	3,019	11,011	47,353
Mid-East							
Males	1,339	906	1,130	960	543	1,685	6,563
Females	1,486	1,069	1,151	840	365	665	5,576
Total	2,825	1,975	2,281	1,800	908	2,350	12,139
Midland							
Males	1,243	818	847	766	485	1,239	5,398
Females	1,211	782	920	650	290	646	4,499
Total	2,454	1,600	1,767	1,416	775	1,885	9,897
Mid-West							
Males	1,980	1,073	1,047	926	542	1,803	7,371
Females	2,000	1,046	1,087	827	448	684	6,092
Total	3,980	2,119	2,134	1,753	990	2,487	13,463
South-East							
Males	3,449	1,546	1,659	1,454	829	3,357	12,294
Females	3,971	1,529	1,456	1,131	612	1,437	10,136
Total	7,420	3,075	3,115	2,585	1,441	4,794	22,430
South-West							
Males	3,083	1,847	1,937	1,977	1,030	4,166	14,040
Females	3,424	1,696	1,805	1,688	783	1,798	11,194
Total	6,507	3,543	3,742	3,665	1,813	5,964	25,234
West							
Males	2,601	1,526	1,688	1,644	787	3,031	11,277
Females	2,379	1,193	1,267	1,054	588	1,346	7,827
Total	4,980	2,719	2,955	2,698	1,375	4,377	19,104
State							
Males	24,396	13,256	14,380	14,264	7,199	28,059	101,554
Females	26,000	11,664	12,487	10,002	4,741	10,844	75,738
Total	50,396	24,920	26,867	24,266	11,940	38,903	177,292

Background Notes

Source and scope of the Live Register

Live Register statistics are compiled from returns made directly to the Central Statistics Office by each local office of the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs. The Live Register comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:

- All Claimants for Unemployment Benefit (UB) excluding systematic short-time workers;
- Applicants for Unemployment Assistance (UA) excluding smallholders and self-employed persons;
- Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.

The monthly Live Register statistics relate to the situation on the last Friday of the month.

Age by Duration Analysis

The current series of half-yearly age by duration analyses of the Live Register was introduced in April 1989. At that time, January and July age analyses which did not cover duration were discontinued and more detailed duration categories were included in the April and October statistics. The age by duration analysis usually relates to the second-last Friday of April and October. The totals in the release are therefore, normally close but not identical to the corresponding end-of-month Live Register totals.

Descriptive articles

The compilation basis for the Live Register statistics from May 1992 onwards is described in the September 1992 issue of the *Statistical Bulletin*. 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 *Statistical Bulletin*.

Unemployment statistics

Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household survey (formerly the annual Labour Force survey). 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 Unemployment Assistance or Unemployment Benefit.