

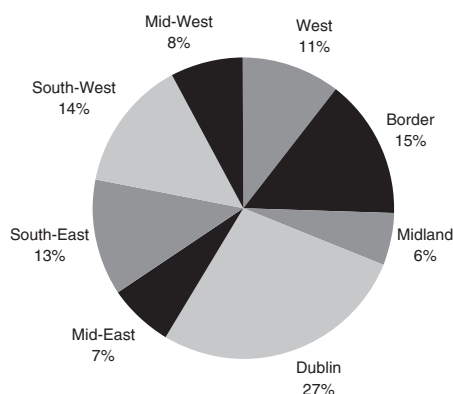


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Live Register by Regional Authority



Live Register Area Analysis August 1999

	August 1999	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Border, Midland and West	62,032	- 251	- 6,155
Border	30,086	- 232	- 2,814
Midland	11,035	- 36	- 913
West	20,911	+ 17	- 2,428
Eastern and Southern	136,638	- 1,638	- 25,669
Dublin	54,141	- 730	- 14,112
Mid-East	13,865	- 254	- 2,919
Mid-West	15,348	- 214	- 1,637
South-East	24,867	- 221	- 2,831
South-West	28,417	- 219	- 4,170
Total	198,670	- 1,889	- 31,824

Marginal increase in West

During August the Live Register decreased in all regions, with the exception of a marginal increase of 17 in the West.

Counties Longford, Roscommon, Leitrim, Kilkenny, Cork, Galway and Tipperary had increases in the number of persons signing on. *See Table 4.*

The Live Register fell in all regions in the year to August 1999. Dublin and the Mid-East regions had the largest percentage falls of 21% and 17% respectively. *See Table 1.*

Other features include:

- ◆ The number of women signing on decreased in all regions except the West and the Midlands in August. *See Table 1.*
- ◆ During August the number of male registrants decreased in all regions, the largest percentage fall was in the Mid-East (2.5%). *See Table 2.*
- ◆ In the past year, the number of men signing on has fallen considerably more than the number of women in all regions. *See Table 1.*

Revisions to earlier months

The published Live Register figures from April to July 1999 inclusive were revised to take account of the erroneous inclusion in the Register of some persons in receipt of Back to Work Allowances. The error arose during the introduction of new computerised procedures to pay these cases in the local offices of the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs (DSCFA). The revisions involve the following reductions to the overall monthly figures: April - 304; May - 1,095; June - 1,876; July - 2,672.

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 figures are: Dec-Feb 1998/99, 95,100.

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Table 1 Persons on the Live Register by NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions

Regions	August 1998	July ¹ 1999	August 1999	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
Border, Midland & Western	40,464	35,625	35,328	- 297	- 5,136
Border	19,930	17,680	17,486	- 194	- 2,444
Midland	6,755	5,919	5,864	- 55	- 891
West	13,779	12,026	11,978	- 48	- 1,801
Eastern & Southern	93,970	76,984	75,921	- 1,063	- 18,049
Dublin	40,896	31,959	31,441	- 518	- 9,455
Mid-East	9,201	7,478	7,291	- 187	- 1,910
Mid-West	9,645	8,223	8,123	- 100	- 1,522
South-East	15,781	13,548	13,425	- 123	- 2,356
South-West	18,447	15,776	15,641	- 135	- 2,806
Total	134,434	112,609	111,249	- 1,360	- 23,185
Females					
Border, Midland & Western	27,723	26,658	26,704	+ 46	- 1,019
Border	12,970	12,638	12,600	- 38	- 370
Midland	5,193	5,152	5,171	+ 19	- 22
West	9,560	8,868	8,933	+ 65	- 627
Eastern & Southern	68,337	61,292	60,717	- 575	- 7,620
Dublin	27,357	22,912	22,700	- 212	- 4,657
Mid-East	7,583	6,641	6,574	- 67	- 1,009
Mid-West	7,340	7,339	7,225	- 114	- 115
South-East	11,917	11,540	11,442	- 98	- 475
South-West	14,140	12,860	12,776	- 84	- 1,364
Total	96,060	87,950	87,421	- 529	- 8,639
All Persons					
Border, Midland & Western	68,187	62,283	62,032	- 251	- 6,155
Border	32,900	30,318	30,086	- 232	- 2,814
Midland	11,948	11,071	11,035	- 36	- 913
West	23,339	20,894	20,911	+ 17	- 2,428
Eastern & Southern	162,307	138,276	136,638	- 1,638	- 25,669
Dublin	68,253	54,871	54,141	- 730	- 14,112
Mid-East	16,784	14,119	13,865	- 254	- 2,919
Mid-West	16,985	15,562	15,348	- 214	- 1,637
South-East	27,698	25,088	24,867	- 221	- 2,831
South-West	32,587	28,636	28,417	- 219	- 4,170
Total	230,494	200,559	198,670	- 1,889	- 31,824

¹ Revised, see note on front page.

Table 2 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions on 27th August 1999

Regions	All Persons			Males			Females		
	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Border, Midland & Western	12,242	49,790	62,032	6,514	28,814	35,328	5,728	20,976	26,704
Border	6,404	23,682	30,086	3,504	13,982	17,486	2,900	9,700	12,600
Midland	2,125	8,910	11,035	1,059	4,805	5,864	1,066	4,105	5,171
West	3,713	17,198	20,911	1,951	10,027	11,978	1,762	7,171	8,933
Eastern & Southern	24,828	111,810	136,638	13,529	62,392	75,921	11,299	49,418	60,717
Dublin	9,820	44,321	54,141	5,704	25,737	31,441	4,116	18,584	22,700
Mid-East	2,376	11,489	13,865	1,284	6,007	7,291	1,092	5,482	6,574
Mid-West	2,725	12,623	15,348	1,450	6,673	8,123	1,275	5,950	7,225
South-East	5,070	19,797	24,867	2,617	10,808	13,425	2,453	8,989	11,442
South-West	4,837	23,580	28,417	2,474	13,167	15,641	2,363	10,413	12,776
State	37,070	161,600	198,670	20,043	91,206	111,249	17,027	70,394	87,421

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group, and Province on 27th August 1999

Provinces	All Persons			Males			Females		
	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Leinster	18,538	81,404	99,942	10,277	45,766	56,043	8,261	35,638	43,899
Munster	10,034	45,510	55,544	5,229	24,923	30,152	4,805	20,587	25,392
Connacht	4,582	21,052	25,634	2,414	12,069	14,483	2,168	8,983	11,151
Ulster	3,916	13,634	17,550	2,123	8,448	10,571	1,793	5,186	6,979
State	37,070	161,600	198,670	20,043	91,206	111,249	17,027	70,394	87,421

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	August 1998	July ¹ 1999	August 1999	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Border, Midland and Western	68,187	62,283	62,032	6,514	28,814	35,328	5,728	20,976	26,704
Border	32,900	30,318	30,086	3,504	13,982	17,486	2,900	9,700	12,600
Cavan	2,560	2,257	2,217	198	1,100	1,298	184	735	919
Belturbet	465	437	451	29	257	286	30	135	165
Cavan	2,095	1,820	1,766	169	843	1,012	154	600	754
Donegal	12,565	12,293	12,224	1,558	6,004	7,562	1,292	3,370	4,662
Ballybofey	1,646	1,598	1,569	215	788	1,003	179	387	566
Ballyshannon	743	721	701	77	379	456	63	182	245
Buncrana	2,403	2,309	2,298	298	1,100	1,398	270	630	900
Donegal	669	623	653	63	318	381	56	216	272
Dunfanaghy	946	903	893	115	452	567	70	256	326
Dungloe	1,757	1,806	1,743	171	886	1,057	138	548	686
Killybegs	1,351	1,230	1,249	149	670	819	98	332	430
Letterkenny	3,050	3,103	3,118	470	1,411	1,881	418	819	1,237
Leitrim	1,855	1,566	1,589	90	744	834	109	646	755
Carrick-on-Shannon	1,298	1,191	1,217	65	571	636	85	496	581
Manorhamilton	557	375	372	25	173	198	24	150	174
Louth	9,120	7,945	7,813	918	3,492	4,410	701	2,702	3,403
Ardee	1,060	915	876	91	384	475	82	319	401
Drogheda	3,636	3,163	3,118	355	1,292	1,647	267	1,204	1,471
Dundalk	4,424	3,867	3,819	472	1,816	2,288	352	1,179	1,531
Monaghan	3,368	3,114	3,109	367	1,344	1,711	317	1,081	1,398
Carrickmacross	807	757	766	64	323	387	66	313	379
Castleblayney	1,026	991	985	126	403	529	108	348	456
Clones	403	384	370	35	192	227	40	103	143
Monaghan	1,132	982	988	142	426	568	103	317	420
Sligo	3,432	3,143	3,134	373	1,298	1,671	297	1,166	1,463
Sligo	2,946	2,684	2,656	339	1,097	1,436	271	949	1,220
Tubbercurry	486	459	478	34	201	235	26	217	243
Midland	11,948	11,071	11,035	1,059	4,805	5,864	1,066	4,105	5,171
Laoighis	2,612	2,440	2,372	199	1,036	1,235	231	906	1,137
Portarlington	989	907	874	56	334	390	70	414	484
Portlaoise	1,143	1,105	1,103	118	499	617	107	379	486
Rathdowney	480	428	395	25	203	228	54	113	167
Longford	2,231	2,093	2,150	212	964	1,176	196	778	974
Longford	2,231	2,093	2,150	212	964	1,176	196	778	974
Offaly	3,396	2,946	2,922	260	1,354	1,614	269	1,039	1,308
Birr	927	801	785	81	333	414	84	287	371
Edenderry	902	794	789	60	384	444	62	283	345
Tullamore	1,567	1,351	1,348	119	637	756	123	469	592
Westmeath	3,709	3,592	3,591	388	1,451	1,839	370	1,382	1,752
Athlone	1,638	1,603	1,555	198	586	784	145	626	771
Castlepollard	284	295	302	22	132	154	35	113	148
Mullingar	1,787	1,694	1,734	168	733	901	190	643	833
West	23,339	20,894	20,911	1,951	10,027	11,978	1,762	7,171	8,933
Galway	12,529	11,028	11,040	1,154	5,237	6,391	1,097	3,552	4,649
Ballinasloe	1,202	1,107	1,088	130	557	687	109	292	401
Clifden	925	848	848	72	527	599	57	192	249
Galway	7,356	6,428	6,461	740	2,875	3,615	752	2,094	2,846
Gort	639	529	534	35	219	254	30	250	280
Loughrea	956	807	804	69	374	443	63	298	361
Tuam	1,451	1,309	1,305	108	685	793	86	426	512

¹ Revised, see note on front page.

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration
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NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	August 1998	July ¹ 1999	August 1999	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	8,765	7,863	7,825	679	3,732	4,411	511	2,903	3,414
Achill	477	398	384	46	203	249	21	114	135
Ballina	2,823	2,464	2,430	253	1,140	1,393	181	856	1,037
Ballinrobe	552	485	485	32	252	284	24	177	201
Belmullet	1,125	1,040	1,047	84	569	653	72	322	394
Castlebar	1,022	952	973	83	390	473	82	418	500
Claremorris	694	630	631	42	270	312	33	286	319
Swinford	1,069	1,044	1,034	89	457	546	69	419	488
Westport	1,003	850	841	50	451	501	29	311	340
Roscommon	2,045	2,003	2,046	118	1,058	1,176	154	716	870
Boyle	556	613	633	40	322	362	44	227	271
Castlerea	1,089	1,028	1,027	60	559	619	79	329	408
Roscommon	400	362	386	18	177	195	31	160	191
Eastern and Southern	162,307	138,276	136,638	13,529	62,392	75,921	11,299	49,418	60,717
Dublin	68,253	54,871	54,141	5,704	25,737	31,441	4,116	18,584	22,700
Dublin	68,253	54,871	54,141	5,704	25,737	31,441	4,116	18,584	22,700
Gardiner Street	4,852	4,016	3,953	420	1,859	2,279	325	1,349	1,674
Werburgh Street	5,505	4,402	4,302	401	2,197	2,598	258	1,446	1,704
Victoria Street	2,535	1,778	1,737	189	810	999	173	565	738
Cumberland Street	7,771	6,303	6,276	594	3,076	3,670	443	2,163	2,606
Navan Road	8,161	7,006	6,793	748	3,277	4,025	549	2,219	2,768
Thomas Street	4,587	3,684	3,612	351	2,030	2,381	339	892	1,231
Tara Street	2,665	1,928	1,890	164	1,006	1,170	126	594	720
Tallaght ²	5,508	4,797	4,893	780	1,982	2,762	525	1,606	2,131
Ballymun	2,015	1,677	1,663	250	873	1,123	161	379	540
Clondalkin	4,004	3,195	3,139	499	1,342	1,841	322	976	1,298
Rathfarnham	3,473	2,805	2,709	155	1,023	1,178	129	1,402	1,531
Kilbarrack	3,648	3,105	3,101	259	1,425	1,684	175	1,242	1,417
Dun Laoghaire	5,320	4,163	4,122	271	1,860	2,131	195	1,796	1,991
Balbriggan	1,646	1,373	1,366	122	600	722	81	563	644
Ballyfermot	3,012	2,139	2,112	234	1,149	1,383	169	560	729
Finglas	3,551	2,500	2,473	267	1,228	1,495	146	832	978
Mid-East	16,784	14,119	13,865	1,284	6,007	7,291	1,092	5,482	6,574
Kildare	6,532	5,542	5,413	530	2,168	2,698	465	2,250	2,715
Athy	1,068	996	978	134	472	606	98	274	372
Kildare	921	837	754	83	373	456	58	240	298
Maynooth	1,775	1,432	1,417	117	472	589	107	721	828
Newbridge	2,768	2,277	2,264	196	851	1,047	202	1,015	1,217
Meath	3,575	3,165	3,137	241	1,461	1,702	250	1,185	1,435
Kells	728	625	636	40	316	356	52	228	280
Navan	1,885	1,656	1,651	141	753	894	128	629	757
Trim	962	884	850	60	392	452	70	328	398
Wicklow	6,677	5,412	5,315	513	2,378	2,891	377	2,047	2,424
Arklow	1,410	1,088	1,110	103	531	634	127	349	476
Baltinglass	622	600	578	52	236	288	47	243	290
Blessington ²	284	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bray	3,377	2,756	2,758	267	1,192	1,459	145	1,154	1,299
Wicklow	984	868	869	91	419	510	58	301	359
Mid-West	16,985	15,562	15,348	1,450	6,673	8,123	1,275	5,950	7,225
Clare	4,336	3,730	3,661	301	1,599	1,900	280	1,481	1,761
Ennis	2,288	1,979	1,982	185	750	935	179	868	1,047
Ennistymon	767	638	623	42	318	360	36	227	263
Kilrush	819	717	699	56	355	411	48	240	288
Tulla	462	396	357	18	176	194	17	146	163
Limerick	9,718	9,171	9,058	903	3,936	4,839	753	3,466	4,219
Kilmallock	1,136	1,009	1,021	78	430	508	107	406	513
Limerick	7,300	6,910	6,818	766	2,899	3,665	541	2,612	3,153
Newcastle West	1,282	1,252	1,219	59	607	666	105	448	553

¹ Revised, see note on front page.

² Claims transferred from Blessington to Tallaght with effect from 30th August, 1999

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration
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NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	August 1998	July ¹ 1999	August 1999	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Tipperary N.R.	2,931	2,661	2,629	246	1,138	1,384	242	1,003	1,245
Nenagh	918	891	850	68	366	434	74	342	416
Roscrea	569	534	541	49	220	269	47	225	272
Thurles	1,444	1,236	1,238	129	552	681	121	436	557
South-East	27,698	25,088	24,867	2,617	10,808	13,425	2,453	8,989	11,442
Carlow	3,293	2,921	2,801	276	1,174	1,450	258	1,093	1,351
Bagenalstown	776	643	607	51	292	343	43	221	264
Carlow	1,867	1,725	1,652	180	666	846	156	650	806
Tullow	650	553	542	45	216	261	59	222	281
Kilkenny	3,598	3,091	3,122	312	1,398	1,710	298	1,114	1,412
Callan	514	438	429	37	255	292	25	112	137
Kilkenny	2,498	2,137	2,180	217	925	1,142	223	815	1,038
Thomastown	586	516	513	58	218	276	50	187	237
Tipperary S.R.	5,506	4,825	4,861	564	2,109	2,673	484	1,704	2,188
Cahir	689	594	600	61	264	325	49	226	275
Carrick-on-Suir	1,157	1,128	1,125	113	535	648	96	381	477
Cashel	505	408	420	47	166	213	51	156	207
Clonmel	2,249	1,931	1,934	263	775	1,038	222	674	896
Tipperary	906	764	782	80	369	449	66	267	333
Waterford	7,277	6,957	6,918	741	2,974	3,715	683	2,520	3,203
Dungarvan	1,056	980	981	109	454	563	79	339	418
Waterford	6,221	5,977	5,937	632	2,520	3,152	604	2,181	2,785
Wexford	8,024	7,294	7,165	724	3,153	3,877	730	2,558	3,288
Enniscorthy	2,218	1,947	1,893	201	878	1,079	229	585	814
Gorey	1,165	1,101	1,095	98	471	569	113	413	526
New Ross	1,593	1,488	1,498	139	701	840	130	528	658
Wexford	3,048	2,758	2,679	286	1,103	1,389	258	1,032	1,290
South-West	32,587	28,636	28,417	2,474	13,167	15,641	2,363	10,413	12,776
Cork	24,212	21,181	21,251	1,832	9,612	11,444	1,824	7,983	9,807
Bandon	706	612	597	35	293	328	42	227	269
Bantry	392	398	392	21	183	204	25	163	188
Bantry (SWLO) ³	188	0	292	15	137	152	7	133	140
Clonakilty	553	460	461	34	184	218	33	210	243
Cobh	624	591	605	81	217	298	64	243	307
Cork	13,588	11,883	11,729	1,171	5,537	6,708	1,070	3,951	5,021
Dunmanway	127	279	289	13	132	145	24	120	144
Fermoy	975	848	836	66	316	382	70	384	454
Kinsale	633	646	645	33	279	312	43	290	333
Macroom	564	462	442	21	199	220	26	196	222
Mallow	1,339	1,044	1,045	78	518	596	108	341	449
Midleton	1,208	1,027	1,018	88	401	489	102	427	529
Newmarket	867	793	771	39	361	400	51	320	371
Passage West	1,022	846	843	46	324	370	57	416	473
Skibbereen	685	598	604	41	228	269	50	285	335
Youghal	741	694	682	50	303	353	52	277	329
Kerry	8,375	7,455	7,166	642	3,555	4,197	539	2,430	2,969
Cahiriveen	433	390	388	25	207	232	24	132	156
Dingle ⁴	96	248	252	10	131	141	11	100	111
Kenmare ³	625	529	243	15	139	154	5	84	89
Killarney	1,046	968	955	64	424	488	69	398	467
Killorglin	615	522	522	24	301	325	27	170	197
Listowel	1,433	1,324	1,346	118	676	794	114	438	552
Tralee ⁴	4,127	3,474	3,460	386	1,677	2,063	289	1,108	1,397
State	230,494	200,559	198,670	20,043	91,206	111,249	17,027	70,394	87,421

¹ Revised, see note on front page.

³ Claims transferred from Kenmare to Bantry Control Office with effect from 27th August, 1999

⁴ Claims transferred from Tralee to Dingle with effect from 25th December, 1998

**Table 5 Flows on and off the Live Register in the 4 weeks from
30 July to 27 August 1999 ¹**

	Total	New Registrations	Net Change	Outflow (derived)
Border, Midland & Western	62,032	5,802	- 251	6,053
Border	30,086	2,622	- 232	2,854
Midland	11,035	1,198	- 36	1,234
West	20,911	1,982	+ 17	1,965
Eastern & Southern	136,638	13,646	- 1,638	15,284
Dublin	54,141	5,226	- 730	5,956
Mid-East	13,865	1,456	- 254	1,710
Mid-West	15,348	1,785	- 214	1,999
South-East	24,867	2,390	- 221	2,611
South-West	28,417	2,789	- 219	3,008
Sex				
Males	111,249	9,981	- 1,359	11,340
Females	87,421	9,467	- 530	9,997
Total	198,670	19,448	- 1,889	21,337

¹ Table normally included in the Live Register Flow Analysis. Publication delayed due to revisions made by Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs, see note on front page.

Background Notes

Source and Scope of the Live Register	The Live Register is compiled from returns made directly to the Central Statistics Office by each local office of the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs. It 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.
Live Register Area Analysis	The basis of the area classification used in this release is the Department of Social, Community 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.
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.
Descriptive Articles	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>.
NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions	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.