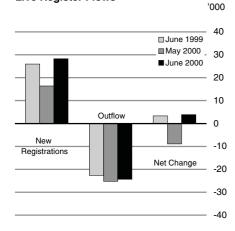




Live Register Flows



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Live Register Flow Analysis

June 2000

| | New Registrations | Outflow (derived) | Net Change |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Men | 13,246 | 13,406 | -160 |
| Women | 15,005 | 10,963 | +4,042 |
| Total | 28,251 | 24,369 | +3,882 |

Seasonal increase in new registrations

In June 28,251 people signed onto the Live Register. This was offset by 24,369 persons leaving the register giving a net increase of 3,882 in the month.

The number of new registrations increased for both males and females with 13,246 men and 15,005 women joining the Live Register during June. While the number of males signing on fell slightly, the number of females increased by an average of 808 per week during June. See Tables 1 and 3.

Other features include:

- ♦ On average, the Live Register increased by 776 persons a week during June. This compares with an average weekly increase of 882 persons during June 1999 and 1,249 persons during June 1998. See Table 2.
- ♦ During June, the number of male registrants fell by an average of 32 persons per week. This compares with an average weekly decrease of 994 in May and an average weekly decrease of 215 during June 1999. See Table 3.

The Live Register is not designed to measure unemployment. It includes parttime 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 December-February 2000, is 81,500 persons unemployed.

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Table 1 Flows on and off the Live Register in the 5 weeks from 26 May 2000 to 30 June 2000

| | Total | New Registrations | Net Change | Outflow (derived) |
|---------------------------|---------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Border, Midland & Western | 51,809 | 8,751 | + 1,511 | 7,240 |
| Border | 25,251 | 3,910 | + 621 | 3,289 |
| Midland | 9,208 | 1,749 | + 220 | 1,529 |
| West | 17,350 | 3,092 | + 670 | 2,422 |
| Eastern & Southern | 104,944 | 19,500 | + 2,371 | 17,129 |
| Dublin | 40,105 | 7,193 | + 670 | 6,523 |
| Mid-East | 10,411 | 2,003 | + 372 | 1,631 |
| Mid-West | 12,500 | 2,734 | + 501 | 2,233 |
| South-East | 20,257 | 3,412 | + 442 | 2,970 |
| South-West | 21,671 | 4,158 | + 386 | 3,772 |
| Sex | | | | |
| Males | 87,917 | 13,246 | - 160 | 13,406 |
| Females | 68,836 | 15,005 | + 4,042 | 10,963 |
| Total | 156,753 | 28,251 | + 3,882 | 24,369 |

Table 2 Summary of Flows on and off the Live Register and Average Weekly Flow

| | | Number | New Registrations (count) Weekly Outflow (derived) Weekly | | Outflow (d | Average weekly | | |
|------|-----------|--------|--|---------|------------|----------------|--------|----------|
| | | of | | | Weekly | change in the | | |
| | | weeks | Number | average | Number | average | Live F | Register |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 1999 | January | 5 | 29,598 | 5,920 | 31,336 | 6,267 | - | 347 |
| | February | 4 | 21,117 | 5,279 | 27,520 | 6,880 | - | 1,601 |
| | March | 4 | 17,983 | 4,496 | 24,360 | 6,090 | - | 1,594 |
| | April | 5 | 29,002 | 5,800 | 33,688 | 6,738 | - | 938 |
| | May | 4 | 19,776 | 4,944 | 24,094 | 6,024 | - | 1,080 |
| | June | 4 | 25,927 | 6,482 | 22,638 | 5,660 | + | 822 |
| | July | 5 | 31,380 | 6,276 | 26,340 | 5,268 | + | 1,008 |
| | August | 4 | 19,448 | 4,862 | 21,337 | 5,334 | - | 472 |
| | September | 4 | 20,270 | 5,068 | 32,757 | 8,189 | - | 3,122 |
| | October | 5 | 26,764 | 5,353 | 35,002 | 7,000 | - | 1,648 |
| | November | 4 | 20,289 | 5,072 | 26,448 | 6,612 | - | 1,540 |
| | December | 5 | 22,561 | 4,512 | 17,808 | 3,562 | + | 950 |
| 2000 | January | 4 | 25,728 | 6,432 | 26,105 | 6,526 | - | 94 |
| | February | 4 | 20,915 | 5,229 | 24,984 | 6,246 | - | 1,017 |
| | March | 5 | 22,328 | 4,466 | 30,932 | 6,186 | - | 1,721 |
| | April | 4 | 20,945 | 5,236 | 22,638 | 5,660 | - | 423 |
| | May | 4 | 16,359 | 4,090 | 25,284 | 6,321 | - | 2,231 |
| | June | 5 | 28,251 | 5,650 | 24,369 | 4,874 | + | 776 |

Table 3 Summary of Flows on and off the Live Register classified by Sex

| | | Number of weeks | Males | | | | Females | | | |
|------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | | Live Register | New Regis- trations | Outflow (derived) | Average weekly change | Live Register | New Regis- trations | Outflow (derived) | Average weekly change |
| 1999 | January | 5 | 127,166 | 15,919 | 15,528 | + 78 | 86,848 | 13,679 | 15,808 | - 426 |
| | February | 4 | 122,583 | 11,112 | 15,695 | - 1,146 | 85,028 | 10,005 | 11,825 | - 455 |
| | March | 4 | 118,224 | 9,749 | 14,108 | - 1,090 | 83,010 | 8,234 | 10,252 | - 505 |
| | April | 5 | 115,770 | 15,181 | 17,635 | - 491 | 80,778 | 13,821 | 16,053 | - 446 |
| | May | 4 | 112,719 | 10,906 | 13,957 | - 763 | 79,511 | 8,870 | 10,137 | - 317 |
| | June | 4 | 111,861 | 12,260 | 13,118 | - 215 | 83,658 | 13,667 | 9,520 | + 1,037 |
| | July | 5 | 112,609 | 15,361 | 14,613 | + 150 | 87,950 | 16,019 | 11,727 | + 858 |
| | August | 4 | 111,249 | 9,981 | 11,341 | - 340 | 87,241 | 9,467 | 9,996 | - 132 |
| | September | 4 | 106,425 | 10,397 | 15,221 | - 1,206 | 79,758 | 9,873 | 17,536 | - 1,916 |
| | October | 5 | 101,264 | 13,301 | 18,462 | - 1,032 | 76,681 | 13,463 | 16,540 | - 615 |
| | November | 4 | 98,704 | 11,085 | 13,645 | - 640 | 73,082 | 9,204 | 12,803 | - 900 |
| | December | 5 | 101,029 | 11,809 | 9,484 | + 465 | 75,510 | 10,752 | 8,324 | + 486 |
| 2000 | January | 4 | 102,382 | 14,387 | 13,034 | + 338 | 73,780 | 11,341 | 13,071 | - 433 |
| | February | 4 | 99,114 | 10,855 | 14,123 | - 817 | 72,979 | 10,060 | 10,861 | - 200 |
| | March | 5 | 94,436 | 12,404 | 17,082 | - 936 | 69,053 | 9,924 | 13,850 | - 785 |
| | April | 4 | 92,053 | 10,082 | 12,465 | - 596 | 69,743 | 10,863 | 10,173 | + 173 |
| | May | 4 | 88,077 | 8,879 | 12,855 | - 994 | 64,794 | 7,480 | 12,429 | - 1,237 |
| | June | 5 | 87,917 | 13,246 | 13,406 | - 32 | 68,836 | 15,005 | 10,963 | + 808 |

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 selfemployed persons;
- Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.

Live Register Flow Analysis

Changes in the level of flows on and off the Live Register in any month reflect conditions in the labour market and aspects of the social insurance system such as transfers to or from Disability Benefit, exhaustion of Unemployment Benefit (UB) entitlement without qualifying for Unemployment Assistance (UA) etc.

New Registrations

The aggregate of *new registrations* for each Friday in a given month is used in conjunction with the *net change* over the same period to calculate the *outflow* from the register. A *new registration* is defined as anybody on the Live Register on a particular Friday who was not on it on the previous Friday.

Unemployment Statistics

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

History

The flow analysis of the Live Register has been published monthly as a separate release since January 1989. Similar details were previously included in the Industrial Analysis of the Live Register, which was discontinued.

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*.