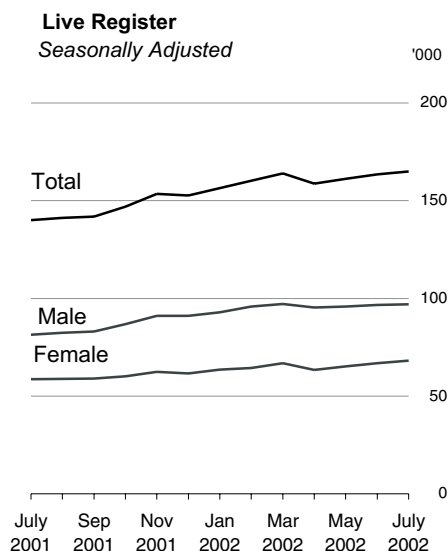




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Live Register Analysis July 2002



	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted
July 2001	147,101	140,000
June 2002	164,277	163,400
July 2002	172,098	165,000
Change in month	+ 7,821	+ 1,600
Change in year	+ 24,997	+ 25,000

Seasonally Adjusted Live Register increases by 1,600

The Live Register increased by 7,821 (+4.8%) persons in the month to 172,098. This compares to an increase of 6,236 (+4.4%) for July of last year.

In the year to July 2002 there was an increase of 24,997.

The underlying upward movement in the series continues with the seasonally adjusted monthly total (i.e. adjusted for the usual rise in July) increasing from 163,400 in June to 165,000 in July, an increase of 1,600. *See table 2a and graph opposite.*

Other features include:

- ◆ The increase of 7,821 comprised increases of 5,580 females and 2,241 males. *See table 1a*
- ◆ The annual increase of 24,997 comprised increases of 15,439 males and 9,558 females. *See table 1a*
- ◆ The standardised unemployment rate in July was 4.4%. This compares with 3.7% in April 2001, based on the Quarterly National Household Survey. *See table 3 and background notes.*
- ◆ In the month the estimated number of casual and part-time workers on the Live Register was 7,966 males and 11,235 females. *See background notes.*

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 December - February 2002 is 80,000 persons unemployed.

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	July 2002	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Border, Midland and West	56,281	+ 1,936	+ 5,220
Border	27,548	+ 720	+ 2,157
Midland	10,347	+ 309	+ 1,206
West	18,386	+ 907	+ 1,857
Eastern and Southern	115,817	+ 5,885	+ 19,777
Dublin	43,368	+ 2,574	+ 8,564
Mid-East	11,910	+ 486	+ 2,426
Mid-West	14,733	+ 735	+ 2,482
South-East	21,669	+ 990	+ 2,577
South-West	24,137	+ 1,100	+ 3,728
Total	172,098	+ 7,821	+ 24,997

Monthly increases in all eight regions

The monthly increase of 7,821 persons on the Live Register reflected increases in all regions. The largest percentage monthly increases were in Dublin (+6.3%), the Mid-West (+5.3%) and West (+5.2%).

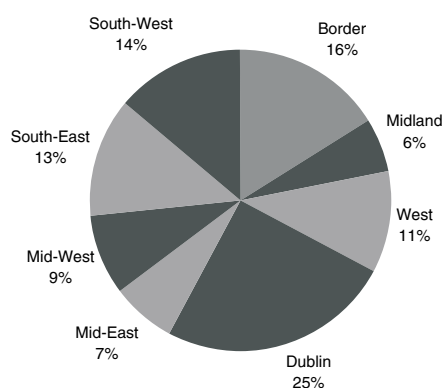
The national annual percentage increase was 17.0%.

In the year to July 2002, the Live Register increased in all regions. The largest annual percentage increases at a regional level were in the Mid-East (+25.6%), Dublin (+24.6%) and Mid-West (+20.3%). *See table 4.*

Other regional features include:

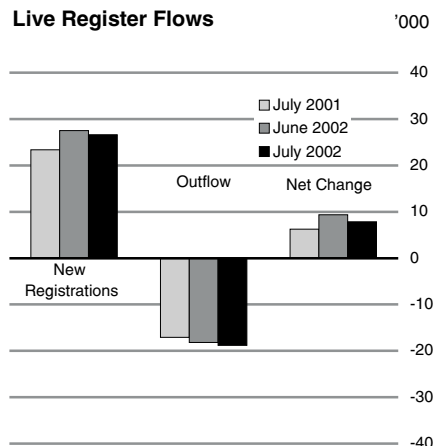
- ◆ In July, the number of male claimants increased in all regions, with the largest percentage increase happening in Dublin (+3.8%). *See table 4.*
- ◆ The number of female claimants also increased in all regions in the month, with the largest percentage increase again happening in Dublin (+10.2%). *See table 4.*

Live Register by Regional Authority



	New Registrations	Outflow (derived)	Net Change
Males	13,099	10,858	+ 2,241
Females	13,534	7,954	+ 5,580
Total	26,633	18,812	+ 7,821

Live Register Flows



New registrations exceed outflows:

A total of 26,633 persons joined the Live Register in July 2002. With 18,812 persons leaving the Register there is a net increase of 7,821 persons in the month. This compares with a monthly increase of 6,236 in June 2001.

Other features of the flows on and off the Register include:

- ◆ The average weekly increase of 1,955 in the Live Register was comprised of 560 males and 1,395 females. This compares to an average weekly increase of 1,559 for July of last year, which was comprised of 553 males and 1,006 females. *See tables 8 and 9.*
- ◆ In July 2002, there were weekly averages of 6,658 new claimants joining the Register and 4,703 persons leaving. *See table 8.*

Table 1a Total persons on the Live Register

Category	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
UB Claims	28,169	37,040	38,209	+ 1,169	+ 10,040
UA Applications	51,985	56,102	57,121	+ 1,019	+ 5,136
Other Registrants	2,413	2,623	2,676	+ 53	+ 263
Total	82,567	95,765	98,006	+ 2,241	+ 15,439
Females					
UB Claims	33,368	37,539	41,067	+ 3,528	+ 7,699
UA Applications	21,516	22,054	23,364	+ 1,310	+ 1,848
Other Registrants	9,650	8,919	9,661	+ 742	+ 11
Total	64,534	68,512	74,092	+ 5,580	+ 9,558
All Persons					
UB Claims	61,537	74,579	79,276	+ 4,697	+ 17,739
UA Applications	73,501	78,156	80,485	+ 2,329	+ 6,984
Other Registrants	12,063	11,542	12,337	+ 795	+ 274
Total	147,101	164,277	172,098	+ 7,821	+ 24,997

Table 1b Persons under 25 years of age on the Live Register

Category	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
UB Claims	4,782	6,768	7,153	+ 385	+ 2,371
UA Applications	9,814	11,221	11,770	+ 549	+ 1,956
Other Registrants	41	51	55	+ 4	+ 14
Total	14,637	18,040	18,978	+ 938	+ 4,341
Females					
UB Claims	3,923	5,028	5,566	+ 538	+ 1,643
UA Applications	7,792	8,224	9,005	+ 781	+ 1,213
Other Registrants	132	117	127	+ 10	- 5
Total	11,847	13,369	14,698	+ 1,329	+ 2,851
All Persons					
UB Claims	8,705	11,796	12,719	+ 923	+ 4,014
UA Applications	17,606	19,445	20,775	+ 1,330	+ 3,169
Other Registrants	173	168	182	+ 14	+ 9
Total	26,484	31,409	33,676	+ 2,267	+ 7,192

Table 1c Persons 25 years of age and over on the Live Register

Category	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
UB Claims	23,387	30,272	31,056	+ 784	+ 7,669
UA Applications	42,171	44,881	45,351	+ 470	+ 3,180
Other Registrants	2,372	2,572	2,621	+ 49	+ 249
Total	67,930	77,725	79,028	+ 1,303	+ 11,098
Females					
UB Claims	29,445	32,511	35,501	+ 2,990	+ 6,056
UA Applications	13,724	13,830	14,359	+ 529	+ 635
Other Registrants	9,518	8,802	9,534	+ 732	+ 16
Total	52,687	55,143	59,394	+ 4,251	+ 6,707
All Persons					
UB Claims	52,832	62,783	66,557	+ 3,774	+ 13,725
UA Applications	55,895	58,711	59,710	+ 999	+ 3,815
Other Registrants	11,890	11,374	12,155	+ 781	+ 265
Total	120,617	132,868	138,422	+ 5,554	+ 17,805

Table 2a Total persons on the Live Register - Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2000	September	82,700	62,200	144,900	83,500	62,700	146,200
	October	80,000	59,200	139,200	82,900	61,200	144,100
	November	79,300	57,700	137,000	82,400	61,000	143,400
	December	82,000	59,600	141,600	80,500	59,300	139,900
2001	January	83,300	58,800	142,100	79,400	59,000	138,400
	February	81,200	58,300	139,500	78,800	58,700	137,500
	March	79,900	55,900	135,900	80,000	57,800	137,700
	April	80,100	56,500	136,600	80,600	58,500	139,100
	May	78,700	55,000	133,700	81,200	58,700	139,900
	June	80,400	60,500	140,900	81,200	58,800	140,000
	July	82,600	64,500	147,100	81,400	58,600	140,000
	August	84,300	65,200	149,400	82,400	58,800	141,200
	September	82,200	58,300	140,600	83,000	58,900	141,900
	October	83,900	57,900	141,800	86,800	60,100	146,900
	November	88,100	59,000	147,100	91,100	62,400	153,500
	December	91,400	61,000	152,400	91,100 ²	61,600 ²	152,700
2002	January	96,600	63,300	160,000	92,800	63,600	156,400
	February	98,200	64,100	162,300	95,800	64,400	160,200
	March	97,200	65,100	162,300	97,200	66,900	164,000
	April	94,800	61,500	156,200	95,300	63,400	158,700
	May	93,400	61,600	154,900	95,900	65,200	161,100
	June	95,800	68,500	164,300	96,600	66,800	163,400
	July	98,000	74,100	172,100	96,900	68,200	165,000

¹ Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2002 (See Background Notes).² Based on estimated data for December 2001**Table 2b Persons under 25 years of age on the Live Register - Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted**

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2000	September	13,400	11,000	24,400	13,200	10,600	23,800
	October	12,500	10,200	22,700	13,500	10,600	24,100
	November	12,400	9,700	22,000	13,500	10,600	24,100
	December	12,900	9,500	22,400	13,100	10,200	23,300
2001	January	13,600	10,000	23,600	12,800	10,100	22,900
	February	13,300	10,000	23,200	12,800	10,100	22,800
	March	12,900	9,600	22,500	13,000	10,100	23,100
	April	13,000	9,600	22,600	13,300	10,400	23,700
	May	12,800	9,500	22,300	13,700	10,400	24,000
	June	13,700	11,000	24,700	13,600	10,300	23,900
	July	14,600	11,800	26,500	13,700	10,300	24,000
	August	15,100	12,100	27,200	14,000	10,400	24,400
	September	14,400	11,000	25,400	14,200	10,600	24,800
	October	14,600	10,900	25,400	15,500	11,300	26,800
	November	15,600	11,000	26,600	16,700	11,900	28,600
	December	16,400	11,100	27,500	16,800 ²	11,900 ²	28,700
2002	January	18,200	12,300	30,500	17,500	12,300	29,800
	February	18,900	12,600	31,400	18,300	12,700	31,000
	March	18,500	12,300	30,800	18,500	12,900	31,400
	April	17,800	11,800	29,600	18,100	12,600	30,700
	May	17,300	11,800	29,100	18,000	12,700	30,700
	June	18,000	13,400	31,400	18,000	12,700	30,700
	July	19,000	14,700	33,700	18,100	13,100	31,200

¹ Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2002 (See Background Notes).² Based on estimated data for December 2001

Table 2c Persons 25 years of age or over on the Live Register - Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2000	September	69,300	51,200	120,500	70,300	52,100	122,400
	October	67,500	49,000	116,500	69,400	50,600	120,000
	November	66,900	48,000	114,900	68,900	50,400	119,300
	December	69,100	50,000	119,100	67,400	49,100	116,500
2001	January	69,700	48,800	118,500	66,600	49,000	115,600
	February	67,900	48,400	116,300	66,000	48,600	114,600
	March	67,000	46,400	113,400	67,000	47,600	114,600
	April	67,100	46,900	114,000	67,300	48,100	115,400
	May	65,800	45,600	111,400	67,600	48,300	115,900
	June	66,700	49,500	116,200	67,700	48,500	116,100
	July	67,900	52,700	120,600	67,700	48,400	116,000
	August	69,200	53,000	122,200	68,400	48,500	116,800
	September	67,800	47,300	115,100	68,800	48,300	117,100
	October	69,300	47,100	116,400	71,300	48,800	120,000
	November	72,500	48,000	120,500	74,400	50,400	124,900
	December	75,000	49,900	124,900	74,300 ²	49,700 ²	123,900 ²
2002	January	78,400	51,100	129,500	75,300	51,300	126,600
	February	79,400	51,600	130,900	77,500	51,700	129,200
	March	78,700	52,800	131,500	78,600	54,000	132,600
	April	76,900	49,700	126,600	77,100	50,900	128,000
	May	76,100	49,800	125,900	77,800	52,500	130,400
	June	77,700	55,100	132,900	78,600	54,100	132,700
	July	79,000	59,400	138,400	78,800	55,000	133,800

¹ Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2002 (See Background Notes).

² Based on estimated data for December 2001

Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates¹

Month	1997 ³	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002 ⁴
	%	%	%	%	%	%
January	10.7	8.5	6.3	4.6	3.6	4.1
February	10.6	8.2	6.1	4.5	3.6	4.2
March	10.5	8.0	5.9	4.4	3.6	4.3
April ²	10.3	7.8	5.7	4.3	3.7	4.2
May	10.1	7.6	5.7	4.2	3.7	4.3
June	9.9	7.5	5.5	4.1	3.7	4.3
July	9.7	7.3	5.4	4.0	3.7	4.4
August	9.5	7.1	5.3	4.0	3.7	
September	9.3	6.9	5.2	3.8	3.7	
October	9.1	6.7	5.0	3.8	3.9	
November	8.9	6.6	4.9	3.8	4.1	
December	8.7	6.5	4.7	3.7	4.0 ⁵	
Annual average	9.8	7.4	5.5	4.1	3.8	

¹ Table contains revised figures

² Benchmark Labour Force Survey/Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) estimates.

³ Interpolated data for May 1996 to March 1997 (see Background Notes).

⁴ The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (unadjusted for seasonality) is: December - February 2002, 4.4%.

⁵ Based on estimated data for December 2001

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register by Region

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions ¹	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Border, Midland & Western	28,588	31,236	31,569	+ 333	+ 2,981	6,111	25,458
Border	14,508	15,776	15,870	+	94	3,157	12,713
Midland	4,690	5,403	5,413	+	10	1,102	4,311
West	9,390	10,057	10,286	+	229	1,852	8,434
Eastern & Southern	53,979	64,529	66,437	+ 1,908	+ 12,458	12,867	53,570
Dublin	20,289	24,857	25,807	+	950	5,039	20,768
Mid-East	4,801	6,330	6,410	+	80	1,232	5,178
Mid-West	6,672	7,948	8,134	+	186	1,646	6,488
South-East	10,335	11,707	12,059	+	352	2,423	9,636
South-West	11,882	13,687	14,027	+	340	2,527	11,500
Total	82,567	95,765	98,006	+ 2,241	+ 15,439	18,978	79,028
Females							
Border, Midland & Western	22,473	23,109	24,712	+ 1,603	+ 2,239	5,311	19,401
Border	10,883	11,052	11,678	+	626	2,566	9,112
Midland	4,451	4,635	4,934	+	299	1,034	3,900
West	7,139	7,422	8,100	+	678	1,711	6,389
Eastern & Southern	42,061	45,403	49,380	+ 3,977	+ 7,319	9,387	39,993
Dublin	14,515	15,937	17,561	+	1,624	3,166	14,395
Mid-East	4,683	5,094	5,500	+	406	967	4,533
Mid-West	5,579	6,050	6,599	+	549	1,240	5,359
South-East	8,757	8,972	9,610	+	638	2,002	7,608
South-West	8,527	9,350	10,110	+	760	2,012	8,098
Total	64,534	68,512	74,092	+ 5,580	+ 9,558	14,698	59,394
All Persons							
Border, Midland & Western	51,061	54,345	56,281	+ 1,936	+ 5,220	11,422	44,859
Border	25,391	26,828	27,548	+	720	5,723	21,825
Midland	9,141	10,038	10,347	+	309	2,136	8,211
West	16,529	17,479	18,386	+	907	3,563	14,823
Eastern & Southern	96,040	109,932	115,817	+ 5,885	+ 19,777	22,254	93,563
Dublin	34,804	40,794	43,368	+	2,574	8,205	35,163
Mid-East	9,484	11,424	11,910	+	486	2,199	9,711
Mid-West	12,251	13,998	14,733	+	735	2,886	11,847
South-East	19,092	20,679	21,669	+	990	4,425	17,244
South-West	20,409	23,037	24,137	+	1,100	4,539	19,598
Total	147,101	164,277	172,098	+ 7,821	+ 24,997	33,676	138,422

¹ The composition of the regions is described in the background notes

Table 5 Persons on the Live Register classified by Province

Provinces	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Provinces							
Leinster	70,159	81,263	85,361	+	4,098	16,517	68,844
Munster	41,777	46,616	48,853	+	2,237	9,479	39,374
Connacht	20,129	21,288	22,375	+	1,087	4,306	18,069
Ulster	15,036	15,110	15,509	+	399	3,374	12,135
Total	147,101	164,277	172,098	+ 7,821	+ 24,997	33,676	138,422

Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Border, Midland and Western	51,061	54,345	56,281	6,111	25,458	31,569	5,311	19,401	24,712
Border	25,391	26,828	27,548	3,157	12,713	15,870	2,566	9,112	11,678
Cavan	1,922	2,035	2,112	202	1,005	1,207	169	736	905
Belturbet	375	432	432	31	208	239	31	162	193
Cavan	1,547	1,603	1,680	171	797	968	138	574	712
Donegal	10,441	10,364	10,605	1,290	5,051	6,341	1,133	3,131	4,264
Ballybofey	1,117	1,005	1,034	147	468	615	127	292	419
Ballyshannon	511	534	558	63	264	327	60	171	231
Buncrana	2,111	1,918	1,982	199	865	1,064	298	620	918
Donegal	558	556	577	65	260	325	60	192	252
Dunfanaghy	882	1,032	994	136	504	640	78	276	354
Dungloe	1,565	1,625	1,661	184	857	1,041	94	526	620
Killybegs	1,099	1,086	1,085	95	580	675	64	346	410
Letterkenney	2,598	2,608	2,714	401	1,253	1,654	352	708	1,060
Leitrim	1,203	1,306	1,384	112	672	784	79	521	600
Carrick-on-Shannon	937	1,001	1,065	90	517	607	56	402	458
Manorhamilton	266	305	319	22	155	177	23	119	142
Louth	6,755	7,909	8,050	922	3,605	4,527	684	2,839	3,523
Ardee	757	877	897	109	376	485	76	336	412
Drogheda	2,523	3,166	3,225	353	1,367	1,720	265	1,240	1,505
Dundalk	3,475	3,866	3,928	460	1,862	2,322	343	1,263	1,606
Monaghan	2,673	2,711	2,792	312	1,237	1,549	268	975	1,243
Carrickmacross	716	773	789	55	356	411	67	311	378
Castleblayney	851	827	865	100	385	485	95	285	380
Clones	302	293	310	38	151	189	23	98	121
Monaghan	804	818	828	119	345	464	83	281	364
Sligo	2,397	2,503	2,605	319	1,143	1,462	233	910	1,143
Sligo	1,993	2,126	2,205	286	958	1,244	209	752	961
Tubbercurry	404	377	400	33	185	218	24	158	182
Midland	9,141	10,038	10,347	1,102	4,311	5,413	1,034	3,900	4,934
Laoighis	1,944	2,140	2,203	256	917	1,173	219	811	1,030
Portarlington	637	755	786	87	276	363	77	346	423
Portlaoise	951	1,031	1,059	138	469	607	111	341	452
Rathdowney	356	354	358	31	172	203	31	124	155
Longford	1,698	1,837	1,921	211	873	1,084	169	668	837
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Offaly	2,507	2,637	2,697	287	1,127	1,414	277	1,006	1,283
Birr	819	806	846	94	346	440	94	312	406
Edenderry	582	621	646	56	282	338	62	246	308
Tullamore	1,106	1,210	1,205	137	499	636	121	448	569
Westmeath	2,992	3,424	3,526	348	1,394	1,742	369	1,415	1,784
Athlone	1,345	1,532	1,601	160	597	757	157	687	844
Castlepollard	233	220	234	13	98	111	28	95	123
Mullingar	1,414	1,672	1,691	175	699	874	184	633	817
West	16,529	17,479	18,386	1,852	8,434	10,286	1,711	6,389	8,100
Galway	8,674	9,414	10,048	1,113	4,468	5,581	1,065	3,402	4,467
Ballinasloe	996	949	1,000	109	477	586	94	320	414
Clifden	679	696	694	54	424	478	29	187	216
Galway	4,751	5,539	5,930	776	2,470	3,246	770	1,914	2,684
Gort	409	403	431	19	168	187	22	222	244
Loughrea	668	684	756	70	322	392	55	309	364
Tuam	1,171	1,143	1,237	85	607	692	95	450	545

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-continued				Males			Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/Local Office	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	6,327	6,501	6,711	611	3,193	3,804	514	2,393	2,907
Achill	310	313	337	33	199	232	23	82	105
Ballina	1,946	1,934	2,005	191	976	1,167	162	676	838
Ballinrobe	401	460	474	31	226	257	38	179	217
Belmullet	887	804	790	66	415	481	57	252	309
Castlebar	864	1,024	1,094	118	447	565	108	421	529
Claremorris	538	539	566	32	279	311	25	230	255
Swinford	853	846	854	95	336	431	65	358	423
Westport	528	581	591	45	315	360	36	195	231
Roscommon	1,528	1,564	1,627	128	773	901	132	594	726
Boyle	441	424	443	40	210	250	31	162	193
Castlereagh	775	770	797	54	384	438	71	288	359
Roscommon	312	370	387	34	179	213	30	144	174
Eastern and Southern	96,040	109,932	115,817	12,867	53,570	66,437	9,387	39,993	49,380
Dublin	34,804	40,794	43,368	5,039	20,768	25,807	3,166	14,395	17,561
Dublin	34,804	40,794	43,368	5,039	20,768	25,807	3,166	14,395	17,561
Gardiner Street	2,905	3,183	3,367	475	1,651	2,126	249	992	1,241
Bishop Square	3,511	4,054	4,358 ¹	479	2,230	2,709	302	1,347	1,649
Cumberland Street	4,336	4,778	5,024	534	2,500	3,034	348	1,642	1,990
Navan Road	4,914	2,835	2,995	317	1,600	1,917	228	850	1,078
Blanchardstown	*	2,708	2,959 ²	385	1,234	1,619	244	1,096	1,340
Thomas Street	1,872	2,214	2,290	228	1,309	1,537	187	566	753
Tara Street	1,172	1,442	1,534	128	810	938	80	516	596
Tallaght	2,981	3,275	3,486	650	1,513	2,163	369	954	1,323
Ballymun	1,240	1,463	1,505	265	732	997	164	344	508
Clondalkin	1,477	2,432	2,564	327	1,129	1,456	207	901	1,108
Rathfarnham	1,695	2,057	2,223	160	950	1,110	116	997	1,113
Kilbarrack	2,469	2,757	2,974	294	1,372	1,666	176	1,132	1,308
Dun Laoghaire	2,832	3,416	3,684	246	1,666	1,912	158	1,614	1,772
Balbriggan	997	1,180	1,234	104	521	625	74	535	609
Ballyfermot	879	1,046	1,075	138	587	725	90	260	350
Finglas	1,524	1,954	2,096	309	964	1,273	174	649	823
Mid-East	9,484	11,424	11,910	1,232	5,178	6,410	967	4,533	5,500
Kildare	3,520	4,260	4,487	477	1,843	2,320	391	1,776	2,167
Athy	626	779	810	98	390	488	76	246	322
Maynooth	1,048	1,282	1,307	120	493	613	119	575	694
Newbridge	1,846	2,199	2,370	259	960	1,219	196	955	1,151
Meath	2,204	3,062	3,113	316	1,382	1,698	265	1,150	1,415
Kells	417	484	504	47	235	282	32	190	222
Navan	1,233	1,863	1,863	201	854	1,055	156	652	808
Trim	554	715	746	68	293	361	77	308	385
Wicklow	3,760	4,102	4,310	439	1,953	2,392	311	1,607	1,918
Arklow	923	1,054	1,086	119	497	616	106	364	470
Baltinglass	364	395	403	36	167	203	31	169	200
Bray	1,734	1,867	1,990	175	896	1,071	107	812	919
Wicklow	739	786	831	109	393	502	67	262	329
Mid-West	12,251	13,998	14,733	1,646	6,488	8,134	1,240	5,359	6,599
Clare	3,046	3,557	3,669	346	1,638	1,984	283	1,402	1,685
Ennis	1,695	2,126	2,226	240	923	1,163	181	882	1,063
Ennistymon	514	543	540	36	277	313	40	187	227
Kilrush	537	529	527	50	256	306	36	185	221
Tulla	300	359	376	20	182	202	26	148	174
Limerick	7,082	8,054	8,583	1,019	3,804	4,823	742	3,018	3,760
Kilmallock	720	867	910	87	406	493	86	331	417
Limerick	5,559	6,325	6,742	859	2,963	3,822	551	2,369	2,920
Newcastle West	803	862	931	73	435	508	105	318	423

¹ Bishop Square replaces previous offices Werburgh Street and Victoria Street with effect from March 2002² Previous figures for the Blanchardstown Office were included in the Navan Road figures

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NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	July 2001	June 2002	July 2002	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Tipperary N.R.	2,123	2,387	2,481	281	1,046	1,327	215	939	1,154
Nenagh	661	860	909	88	382	470	72	367	439
Roscrea	459	442	443	45	180	225	39	179	218
Thurles	1,003	1,085	1,129	148	484	632	104	393	497
South-East	19,092	20,679	21,669	2,423	9,636	12,059	2,002	7,608	9,610
Carlow	1,997	2,208	2,265	242	977	1,219	205	841	1,046
Bagenalstown	435	523	540	58	259	317	42	181	223
Carlow	1,197	1,263	1,296	136	550	686	127	483	610
Tullow	365	422	429	48	168	216	36	177	213
Kilkenny	2,066	2,241	2,408	298	1,135	1,433	205	770	975
Callan	346	340	348	32	188	220	19	109	128
Kilkenny	1,302	1,462	1,602	208	744	952	147	503	650
Thomastown	418	439	458	58	203	261	39	158	197
Tipperary S.R.	3,419	3,686	3,839	473	1,741	2,214	366	1,259	1,625
Cahir	427	491	501	56	242	298	41	162	203
Carrick-on-Suir	924	952	993	96	493	589	74	330	404
Cashel	322	368	371	41	147	188	45	138	183
Clonmel	1,112	1,226	1,284	193	558	751	137	396	533
Tipperary	634	649	690	87	301	388	69	233	302
Waterford	5,698	5,895	6,144	678	2,731	3,409	537	2,198	2,735
Dungarvan	891	969	1,007	90	446	536	100	371	471
Waterford	4,807	4,926	5,137	588	2,285	2,873	437	1,827	2,264
Wexford	5,912	6,649	7,013	732	3,052	3,784	689	2,540	3,229
Enniscorthy	1,521	1,688	1,764	223	805	1,028	208	528	736
Gorey	866	1,037	1,075	102	450	552	111	412	523
New Ross	1,219	1,292	1,357	135	591	726	133	498	631
Wexford	2,306	2,632	2,817	272	1,206	1,478	237	1,102	1,339
South-West	20,409	23,037	24,137	2,527	11,500	14,027	2,012	8,098	10,110
Cork	15,332	17,656	18,480	1,960	8,696	10,656	1,585	6,239	7,824
Bandon	552	552	572	46	269	315	34	223	257
Bantry	335	376	363	15	161	176	13	174	187
Bantry (SWLO)	160	191	190	6	78	84	10	96	106
Clonakilty	395	412	437	36	182	218	30	189	219
Cobh	443	440	434	79	207	286	32	116	148
Cork	7,940	9,239	9,846	1,208	4,995	6,203	961	2,682	3,643
Dunmanway	189	226	239	15	84	99	12	128	140
Fermoy	694	742	782	71	347	418	80	284	364
Kinsale	620	619	649	40	283	323	41	285	326
Macroom	396	598	603	37	207	244	34	325	359
Mallow	732	841	812	88	407	495	66	251	317
Midleton	794	1,014	1,052	92	456	548	92	412	504
Newmarket	426	502	505	47	211	258	52	195	247
Passage West	691	806	864	89	349	438	47	379	426
Skibbereen	392	431	444	22	162	184	16	244	260
Youghal	573	667	688	69	298	367	65	256	321
Kerry	5,077	5,381	5,657	567	2,804	3,371	427	1,859	2,286
Cahirciveen	356	304	328	16	180	196	23	109	132
Dingle	182	214	219	5	119	124	5	90	95
Kenmare	152	143	152	5	75	80	8	64	72
Killarney	649	775	866	91	380	471	71	324	395
Killorglin	336	377	397	23	206	229	25	143	168
Listowel	891	939	971	109	487	596	91	284	375
Tralee	2,511	2,629	2,724	318	1,357	1,675	204	845	1,049
State	147,101	164,277	172,098	18,978	79,028	98,006	14,698	59,394	74,092

**Table 7 Flows on and off the Live Register in the 4 weeks from
28 June 2002 to 26 July 2002**

	Total	New Registrations	Net Change	Outflow (derived)
Border, Midland & Western	56,281	7,765	+ 1,936	5,829
Border	27,548	3,341	+ 720	2,621
Midland	10,347	1,688	+ 309	1,379
West	18,386	2,736	+ 907	1,829
Eastern & Southern	115,817	18,868	+ 5,885	12,983
Dublin	43,368	7,577	+ 2,574	5,003
Mid-East	11,910	1,954	+ 486	1,468
Mid-West	14,733	2,378	+ 735	1,643
South-East	21,669	3,133	+ 990	2,143
South-West	24,137	3,826	+ 1,100	2,726
Sex				
Males	98,006	13,099	+ 2,241	10,858
Females	74,092	13,534	+ 5,580	7,954
Total	172,098	26,633	+ 7,821	18,812

Table 8 Summary of Flows on and off the Live Register and Average Weekly Flow

		Number of weeks	New Registrations (count)		Outflow (derived)		Average weekly change in the Live Register	
			Number	Weekly average	Number	Weekly average		
2000	August	4	17,211	4,303	18,099	4,525	-	222
	September	5	21,396	4,279	35,490	7,098	-	2,819
	October	4	18,230	4,558	23,973	5,993	-	1,436
	November	4	19,685	4,921	21,912	5,478	-	557
	December	5	21,494	4,299	16,870	3,374	+	925
2001	January	4	22,001	5,500	21,516	5,379	+	121
	February	4	18,740	4,685	21,296	5,324	-	639
	March	5	21,971	4,394	25,601	5,120	-	726
	April	4	21,584	5,396	20,908	5,227	+	169
	May	4	17,324	4,331	20,194	5,049	-	718
	June	5	28,982	5,796	21,808	4,362	+	1,435
	July	4	23,354	5,839	17,118	4,280	+	1,559
	August	5	24,272	4,854	21,934	4,387	+	468
	September	4	19,341	4,835	28,230	7,058	-	2,222
	October	4	26,253	6,563	24,968	6,242	+	321
	November	5	32,936	6,587	27,650	5,530	+	1,057
	December	3	19,527	6,509	14,242	4,747	+	1,762
2002	January	5	31,817	6,363	24,263	4,853	+	1,511
	February	4	25,468	6,367	23,091	5,773	+	594
	March	5	29,785	5,957	29,870	5,974	-	17
	April	4	20,108	5,027	26,123	6,531	-	1,504
	May	5	25,082	5,016	26,375	5,275	-	259
	June	4	27,530	6,883	18,197	4,549	+	2,333
	July	4	26,633	6,658	18,812	4,703	+	1,955

Table 9 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
2000	August	4	87,939	9,060	9,580	- 130	71,087	8,151	8,519	- 92
	September	5	82,714	11,158	16,383	- 1,045	62,218	10,238	19,107	- 1,774
	October	4	80,037	9,808	12,485	- 669	59,152	8,422	11,488	- 766
	November	4	79,308	10,500	11,229	- 182	57,654	9,185	10,683	- 375
	December	5	82,017	11,877	9,168	+ 542	59,569	9,617	7,702	+ 383
2001	January	4	83,260	11,971	10,728	+ 311	58,811	10,030	10,788	- 190
	February	4	81,172	10,148	12,236	- 522	58,343	8,592	9,060	- 117
	March	5	79,943	12,878	14,107	- 246	55,942	9,093	11,494	- 480
	April	4	80,104	10,975	10,814	+ 40	56,457	10,609	10,094	+ 129
	May	4	78,660	9,828	11,272	- 361	55,031	7,496	8,922	- 357
	June	5	80,355	14,056	12,361	+ 339	60,510	14,926	9,447	+ 1,096
	July	4	82,567	11,677	9,465	+ 553	64,534	11,677	7,653	+ 1,006
	August	5	84,282	13,303	11,588	+ 343	65,157	10,969	10,346	+ 125
	September	4	82,227	10,675	12,730	- 514	58,323	8,666	15,500	- 1,709
	October	4	83,894	15,411	13,744	+ 417	57,941	10,842	11,224	- 96
	November	5	88,103	19,170	14,961	+ 842	59,018	13,766	12,689	+ 215
	December	3	91,394	11,237	7,946	+ 1,097	61,012	8,290	6,296	+ 665
2002	January	5	96,623	17,938	12,709	+ 1,046	63,337	13,879	11,554	+ 465
	February	4	98,215	14,912	13,320	+ 398	64,122	10,556	9,771	+ 196
	March	5	97,183	16,518	17,550	- 206	65,069	13,267	12,320	+ 189
	April	4	94,778	11,351	13,756	- 601	61,459	8,757	12,367	- 903
	May	5	93,356	14,356	15,778	- 284	61,588	10,726	10,597	+ 26
	June	4	95,765	13,087	10,678	+ 602	68,512	14,443	7,519	+ 1,731
	July	4	98,006	13,099	10,858	+ 560	74,092	13,534	7,954	+ 1,395

Table 10 Persons working on systematic short-time basis excluded from the Live Register

	Month	Males	Females	Total
2000	September	722	1,635	2,357
	October	778	1,585	2,363
	November	849	1,618	2,467
	December	1,027	1,599	2,626
2001	January	1,262	1,711	2,973
	February	1,263	1,816	3,079
	March	1,103	1,751	2,854
	April	1,094	1,724	2,818
	May	1,102	1,736	2,838
	June	941	1,707	2,648
	July	862	1,734	2,596
	August	1,135	1,880	3,015
	September	1,033	1,870	2,903
	October	1,061	1,857	2,918
	November	1,229	2,077	3,306
	December	1,390	2,046	3,436
2002	January	1,476	2,132	3,608
	February	1,516	2,062	3,578
	March	1,504	2,098	3,602
	April	1,472	1,974	3,446
	May	1,550	1,785	3,335
	June	1,474	1,580	3,054
	July	1,444	1,632	3,076

Table 11 Smallholders/Farm Assists and Self-Employed Persons applying for Unemployment Assistance and Other Registrants excluded from the Live Register

	Month	Smallholders/ Farm Assists ¹	Self-Employed	Others	Total
2000	September	8,018	1,771	759	10,548
	October	8,031	1,758	700	10,489
	November	8,058	1,767	689	10,514
	December	8,094	1,765	726	10,585
2001	January	8,112	1,717	683	10,512
	February	8,127	1,691	659	10,477
	March	8,212	1,669	661	10,542
	April	8,439	1,637	659	10,735
	May	8,509	1,614	642	10,765
	June	8,551	1,584	666	10,801
	July	8,552	1,548	710	10,810
	August	8,538	1,544	718	10,800
	September	8,540	1,529	661	10,730
	October	8,524	1,520	688	10,732
	November	8,513	1,523	685	10,721
	December	8,514	1,536	715	10,765
2002	January	8,521	1,522	758	10,801
	February	8,537	1,542	792	10,871
	March	8,536	1,545	785	10,866
	April	8,558	1,558	767	10,883
	May	8,561	1,541	764	10,866
	June	8,513	1,533	795	10,841
	July	8,513	1,566	855	10,934

¹ Farm Assist Scheme was introduced in April 1999.

Table 12 Persons Under 65 Years, other than Smallholders/Farm Assists, on the Pre-Retirement Allowance Scheme (PRETA) or on the Pre-Retirement Credits Scheme (PRECS), excluded from the Live Register

	Month	PRETA	PRECS	Total	Males	Females
2000	September	11,536	7,475	19,011	13,765	5,246
	October	12,677	7,575	20,252	14,746	5,506
	November	12,652	7,624	20,276	14,777	5,499
	December	12,521	7,660	20,181	14,682	5,499
2001	January	12,470	7,736	20,206	14,654	5,552
	February	12,496	7,925	20,421	14,714	5,707
	March	12,527	7,845	20,372	14,739	5,633
	April	12,496	7,756	20,252	14,617	5,635
	May	12,436	7,791	20,227	14,560	5,667
	June	12,371	7,848	20,219	14,547	5,672
	July	12,299	7,851	20,150	14,492	5,658
	August	12,182	7,901	20,083	14,414	5,669
	September	12,104	7,875	19,979	14,343	5,636
	October	12,006	7,904	19,910	14,270	5,640
	November	11,954	8,007	19,961	14,013	5,948
	December	11,860	8,040	19,900	14,226	5,674
2002	January	11,758	7,981	19,739	14,102	5,637
	February	11,742	7,934	19,676	14,059	5,617
	March	11,685	7,879	19,564	14,001	5,563
	April	11,666	7,823	19,489	13,923	5,566
	May	11,616	7,688	19,304	13,780	5,524
	June	11,538	7,696	19,234	13,714	5,520
	July	11,456	7,721	19,177	13,679	5,498

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 (*see Table 10*)
- ◆ Applicants for Unemployment Assistance (UA) excluding smallholders/farm assists and other self-employed persons (*see Table 11*)
- ◆ Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute (*see Table 11*).

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 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).

Standardised unemployment rates The Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR) series in Table 3 is based on the estimated number of persons unemployed expressed as a percentage of the total economically active population (i.e. the Labour Force), using internationally comparable definitions of employment and unemployment, as recommended by the International Labour Office. Benchmark estimates of the SUR for April of each year are calculated from the Labour Force Survey/Quarterly National Household Survey. The monthly trend in the seasonally adjusted Live Register has been traditionally used to estimate the monthly SUR between successive surveys.

This approach was temporarily suspended following the rapid decline in the Live Register after September 1996. A linear interpolation estimation approach was used between April 1996 and April 1997, as the Live Register series could not be used as an indicator of monthly trends in unemployment during that period. The traditional estimation approach has been used from April 1997 onwards.

QNHS The Quarterly National Household Survey, which began in September 1997, has now replaced the Labour Force Survey and provides quarterly estimates of the unemployment rate. The estimates (unadjusted for seasonality) are:

Year	Q1 %	Q2 %	Q3 %	Q4 %
1998	8.5	7.8	7.6	6.4
1999	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.1
2000	4.7	4.3	4.3	3.9
2001	3.7	3.7	4.3	4.0
2002	4.4			

Seasonal adjustment The seasonal adjustment of the Live Register is completed using the X-11 Variant of the US Bureau of Census Method 2 (Additive Option). The seasonally adjusted series are updated twice yearly, in January and July; pending the next updating, seasonal adjustment for intervening months is carried out using projected seasonal factors. In Tables 2a, b and c, the seasonally adjusted totals are the sum of the relevant seasonally adjusted series for males and females, under and over 25 years.

Because QNHS estimates are not yet adjusted for seasonality, only the March-May unemployment rates, which are directly comparable with April LFS data, have been incorporated in the calculation of the monthly SUR.

Casual and part time workers	The casual and part time workers' figure is based on an estimate supplied by the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs. People may apply for Unemployment Benefit / Assistance if they only work for part of a week and be included on the Live Register.
History of Flow Analysis	The flow analysis of the Live Register had 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.
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 other welfare schemes, exhaustion of Unemployment Benefit (UB) entitlement without qualifying for Unemployment Assistance (UA) etc.
New registrations	The aggregate of <i>new registrations</i> for each Friday in a given month is used in conjunction with the <i>net change</i> over the same period to calculate the <i>outflow</i> from the register. A <i>new registration</i> is defined as anybody on the Live Register on a particular Friday who was not on it on the previous Friday.
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.
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. <i>See overleaf.</i>

Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region

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

Eastern and Southern NUTS2 Region

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