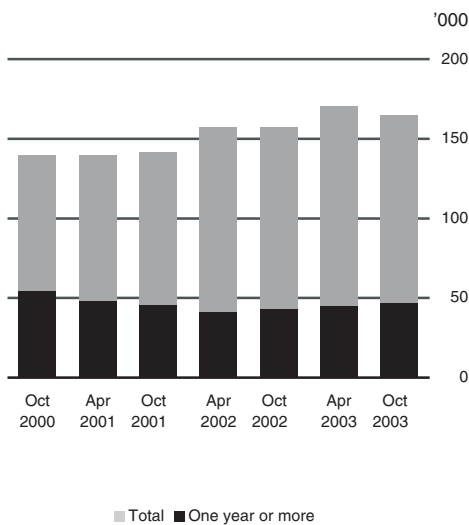




Live Register Age by Duration Analysis October 2003

Duration of Continuous Registration



	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
October 2002	114,692	42,973	157,665
April 2003	125,450	44,834	170,284
October 2003	117,803	46,772	164,575

Decrease in short-term claimants

The decrease of 5,709 in the Live Register in the six months to October 2003 comprised of a decrease of 7,647 (-6.1%) in short-term claimants and an increase of 1,938 (+4.3%) for persons signing on for one year or more.

In October 2003, 28.4% of all claimants were long-term which compares to 26.3% in April 2003 (six months ago) and 27.3% in October 2002. *See table 1 and graph.*

Other features include:

- ◆ Some 32.8% of males and 22.3% of females on the Live Register are long-term claimants. *See table 1.*
- ◆ In the year to October 2003, the number of short-term claimants increased by 3,111 while long-term claimants increased by 3,799. *See table 1.*
- ◆ In the six months to October 2003, the number of males signing on decreased in all age groups. Overall the number of males decreased by 4,352 (-4.3%). Males aged 25-34 (-7.5%) showed the largest percentage decrease while those aged 55-59 (-2.4%) showed the lowest decrease. Overall the number of females decreased by 1,357 (-1.9%). Females aged 55-59 (-4.5%) showed the largest decrease while those aged 20-24 (+4.4%) showed the largest increase. *See table 2.*
- ◆ For all persons making claims for 1 year or more the largest percentages are among the 35-44 (25.9%) and 45-54 (25.7%) age groups while those aged under 20 years (1.9%) and those aged 60-64 (5.0%) had the lowest percentages. *See table 5a.*
- ◆ Of all persons making claims for under 1 year the largest percentages are among the 25-34 (28.5%) and 35-44 (22.1%) age groups while those aged 60-64 (4.4%) and those aged under 20 years (5.6%) show the lowest percentages. *See table 5a.*
- ◆ Almost 39% (63,573) of all claimants were on the Live Register for less than three months. There were 11.7% (19,302) of all claimants registered for 3 years or more. *See table 5b.*

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 June to August 2003 is 98,900 persons unemployed.

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

Sex/Duration	April 2001	October 2001	April 2002	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003
Males						
Less than one year	49,209	53,472	67,867	64,586	69,822	64,449
One year or more	31,669	30,061	27,736	29,107	30,468	31,489
Total	80,878	83,533	95,603	93,693	100,290	95,938
Females						
Less than one year	42,088	42,628	48,596	50,106	55,628	53,354
One year or more	16,553	15,342	13,293	13,866	14,366	15,283
Total	58,641	57,970	61,889	63,972	69,994	68,637
All Persons						
Less than one year	91,297	96,100	116,463	114,692	125,450	117,803
One year or more	48,222	45,403	41,029	42,973	44,834	46,772
Total	139,519	141,503	157,492	157,665	170,284	164,575

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

Sex/Age	April 2001	October 2001	April 2002	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003
Males						
Under 20 years	2,731	3,067	3,956	3,762	4,143	3,937
20 - 24 years	10,311	11,222	14,093	13,454	14,581	13,964
25 - 34 years	20,557	21,514	26,585	25,774	27,793	25,718
35 - 44 years	18,311	18,495	20,484	20,157	21,494	20,929
45 - 54 years	18,058	18,012	19,206	18,740	19,697	19,108
55 - 59 years	6,472	6,736	6,713	7,012	7,451	7,274
60 - 64 years	4,438	4,487	4,566	4,794	5,131	5,008
Total	80,878	83,533	95,603	93,693	100,290	95,938
Females						
Under 20 years	2,338	2,652	3,109	3,147	3,453	3,550
20 - 24 years	7,377	8,156	8,908	9,526	9,882	10,316
25 - 34 years	16,146	15,984	17,832	18,245	19,270	18,718
35 - 44 years	15,579	15,036	15,823	16,100	17,736	17,189
45 - 54 years	11,171	10,433	10,630	10,942	12,656	12,141
55 - 59 years	3,865	3,611	3,538	3,811	4,401	4,202
60 - 64 years	2,165	2,098	2,049	2,201	2,596	2,521
Total	58,641	57,970	61,889	63,972	69,994	68,637
All Persons						
Under 20 years	5,069	5,719	7,065	6,909	7,596	7,487
20 - 24 years	17,688	19,378	23,001	22,980	24,463	24,280
25 - 34 years	36,703	37,498	44,417	44,019	47,063	44,436
35 - 44 years	33,890	33,531	36,307	36,257	39,230	38,118
45 - 54 years	29,229	28,445	29,836	29,682	32,353	31,249
55 - 59 years	10,337	10,347	10,251	10,823	11,852	11,476
60 - 64 years	6,603	6,585	6,615	6,995	7,727	7,529
Total	139,519	141,503	157,492	157,665	170,284	164,575

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2003

Sex/Duration	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South-East	South-West	West	Total
Males									
Less than one year	9,862	17,935	4,860	3,862	5,408	7,722	8,616	6,184	64,449
One year or more	4,981	8,553	1,831	1,608	2,467	4,135	4,590	3,324	31,489
Total	14,843	26,488	6,691	5,470	7,875	11,857	13,206	9,508	95,938
Females									
Less than one year	7,720	12,937	4,428	3,716	5,047	6,809	7,603	5,094	53,354
One year or more	2,402	3,601	1,069	943	1,385	2,259	1,896	1,728	15,283
Total	10,122	16,538	5,497	4,659	6,432	9,068	9,499	6,822	68,637
All Persons									
Less than one year	17,582	30,872	9,288	7,578	10,455	14,531	16,219	11,278	117,803
One year or more	7,383	12,154	2,900	2,551	3,852	6,394	6,486	5,052	46,772
Total	24,965	43,026	12,188	10,129	14,307	20,925	22,705	16,330	164,575

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Age and Sex, October 2003

Sex/Age	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South-East	South-West	West	Total
Males									
Under 20 years	614	1,170	250	241	358	528	448	328	3,937
20 - 24 years	2,108	4,201	978	807	1,148	1,755	1,764	1,203	13,964
25 - 34 years	3,768	7,963	1,768	1,330	2,137	2,945	3,446	2,361	25,718
35 - 44 years	3,381	5,554	1,399	1,212	1,707	2,607	2,940	2,129	20,929
45 - 54 years	3,216	4,243	1,311	1,127	1,560	2,647	2,858	2,146	19,108
55 - 59 years	1,100	1,879	561	440	596	814	1,073	811	7,274
60 - 64 years	656	1,478	424	313	369	561	677	530	5,008
Total	14,843	26,488	6,691	5,470	7,875	11,857	13,206	9,508	95,938
Females									
Under 20 years	546	931	249	301	319	543	411	250	3,550
20 - 24 years	1,692	2,487	743	722	917	1,378	1,314	1,063	10,316
25 - 34 years	2,702	4,617	1,560	1,200	1,768	2,463	2,613	1,795	18,718
35 - 44 years	2,505	3,759	1,454	1,195	1,748	2,328	2,433	1,767	17,189
45 - 54 years	1,764	2,718	954	846	1,106	1,658	1,779	1,316	12,141
55 - 59 years	575	1,189	342	251	367	461	629	388	4,202
60 - 64 years	338	837	195	144	207	237	320	243	2,521
Total	10,122	16,538	5,497	4,659	6,432	9,068	9,499	6,822	68,637
All Persons									
Under 20 years	1,160	2,101	499	542	677	1,071	859	578	7,487
20 - 24 years	3,800	6,688	1,721	1,529	2,065	3,133	3,078	2,266	24,280
25 - 34 years	6,470	12,580	3,328	2,530	3,905	5,408	6,059	4,156	44,436
35 - 44 years	5,886	9,313	2,853	2,407	3,455	4,935	5,373	3,896	38,118
45 - 54 years	4,980	6,961	2,265	1,973	2,666	4,305	4,637	3,462	31,249
55 - 59 years	1,675	3,068	903	691	963	1,275	1,702	1,199	11,476
60 - 64 years	994	2,315	619	457	576	798	997	773	7,529
Total	24,965	43,026	12,188	10,129	14,307	20,925	22,705	16,330	164,575

Table 5a Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2003

Sex/Age	Duration of Continuous Registration		Total
	Under 1 year	1 year or more	
Males			
Under 20 years	3,458	479	3,937
20 - 24 years	11,010	2,954	13,964
25 - 34 years	18,217	7,501	25,718
35 - 44 years	13,411	7,518	20,929
45 - 54 years	10,552	8,556	19,108
55 - 59 years	4,458	2,816	7,274
60 - 64 years	3,343	1,665	5,008
Total	64,449	31,489	95,938
Females			
Under 20 years	3,133	417	3,550
20 - 24 years	8,512	1,804	10,316
25 - 34 years	15,387	3,331	18,718
35 - 44 years	12,594	4,595	17,189
45 - 54 years	8,674	3,467	12,141
55 - 59 years	3,186	1,016	4,202
60 - 64 years	1,868	653	2,521
Total	53,354	15,283	68,637
All Persons			
Under 20 years	6,591	896	7,487
20 - 24 years	19,522	4,758	24,280
25 - 34 years	33,604	10,832	44,436
35 - 44 years	26,005	12,113	38,118
45 - 54 years	19,226	12,023	31,249
55 - 59 years	7,644	3,832	11,476
60 - 64 years	5,211	2,318	7,529
Total	117,803	46,772	164,575

Table 5b Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration (Detailed), October 2003

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	1,931	791	736	477	2	0	3,937
20 - 24 years	5,852	2,757	2,401	1,662	713	579	13,964
25 - 34 years	9,321	4,256	4,640	3,566	1,397	2,538	25,718
35 - 44 years	6,738	2,960	3,713	3,030	1,204	3,284	20,929
45 - 54 years	5,278	2,192	3,082	2,424	1,150	4,982	19,108
55 - 59 years	2,205	943	1,310	953	336	1,527	7,274
60 - 64 years	1,560	696	1,087	738	204	723	5,008
Total	32,885	14,595	16,969	12,850	5,006	13,633	95,938
Females							
Under 20 years	1,641	774	718	412	1	4	3,550
20 - 24 years	5,013	2,013	1,486	1,043	426	335	10,316
25 - 34 years	8,697	3,326	3,364	1,862	496	973	18,718
35 - 44 years	7,135	2,510	2,949	2,000	685	1,910	17,189
45 - 54 years	5,226	1,608	1,840	1,192	489	1,786	12,141
55 - 59 years	1,882	561	743	439	144	433	4,202
60 - 64 years	1,094	330	444	325	100	228	2,521
Total	30,688	11,122	11,544	7,273	2,341	5,669	68,637
All Persons							
Under 20 years	3,572	1,565	1,454	889	3	4	7,487
20 - 24 years	10,865	4,770	3,887	2,705	1,139	914	24,280
25 - 34 years	18,018	7,582	8,004	5,428	1,893	3,511	44,436
35 - 44 years	13,873	5,470	6,662	5,030	1,889	5,194	38,118
45 - 54 years	10,504	3,800	4,922	3,616	1,639	6,768	31,249
55 - 59 years	4,087	1,504	2,053	1,392	480	1,960	11,476
60 - 64 years	2,654	1,026	1,531	1,063	304	951	7,529
Total	63,573	25,717	28,513	20,123	7,347	19,302	164,575

Table 6a Persons on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2003

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	797	393	256	29	0	0	1,475
20 - 24 years	5,897	2,307	1,751	436	4	0	10,395
25 - 34 years	11,409	4,357	4,379	1,454	27	7	21,633
35 - 44 years	9,170	3,150	3,631	1,437	19	0	17,407
45 - 54 years	7,013	2,179	2,753	973	9	1	12,928
55 - 59 years	2,696	831	1,220	475	12	0	5,234
60 - 64 years	1,853	634	1,009	444	7	0	3,947
Total	38,835	13,851	14,999	5,248	78	8	73,019
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	2,749	1,168	1,193	859	2	2	5,973
20 - 24 years	4,885	2,427	2,104	2,250	1,127	909	13,702
25 - 34 years	6,240	2,940	3,358	3,750	1,741	3,316	21,345
35 - 44 years	4,021	1,839	2,429	2,963	1,433	4,086	16,771
45 - 54 years	2,872	1,161	1,659	2,160	1,327	5,921	15,100
55 - 59 years	1,006	405	500	621	354	1,707	4,593
60 - 64 years	543	177	257	347	181	775	2,280
Total	22,316	10,117	11,500	12,950	6,165	16,716	79,764
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	26	4	5	1	1	2	39
20 - 24 years	83	36	32	19	8	5	183
25 - 34 years	369	285	267	224	125	188	1,458
35 - 44 years	682	481	602	630	437	1,108	3,940
45 - 54 years	619	460	510	483	303	846	3,221
55 - 59 years	385	268	333	296	114	253	1,649
60 - 64 years	258	215	265	272	116	176	1,302
Total	2,422	1,749	2,014	1,925	1,104	2,578	11,792

Table 6b Number of Males on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2003

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	437	206	117	11	0	0	771
20 - 24 years	3,148	1,312	1,007	245	2	0	5,714
25 - 34 years	5,139	2,144	2,049	624	16	3	9,975
35 - 44 years	3,715	1,479	1,676	569	3	0	7,442
45 - 54 years	3,103	1,149	1,570	543	4	0	6,369
55 - 59 years	1,353	504	748	304	4	0	2,913
60 - 64 years	1,038	423	713	307	3	0	2,484
Total	17,933	7,217	7,880	2,603	32	3	35,668
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,485	584	617	466	2	0	3,154
20 - 24 years	2,681	1,440	1,388	1,415	711	579	8,214
25 - 34 years	4,143	2,091	2,571	2,929	1,376	2,531	15,641
35 - 44 years	2,937	1,442	1,983	2,422	1,185	3,244	13,213
45 - 54 years	1,997	900	1,338	1,741	1,072	4,794	11,842
55 - 59 years	685	311	414	498	288	1,432	3,628
60 - 64 years	381	142	215	281	145	648	1,812
Total	14,309	6,910	8,526	9,752	4,779	13,228	57,504
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	9	1	2	0	0	0	12
20 - 24 years	23	5	6	2	0	0	36
25 - 34 years	39	21	20	13	5	4	102
35 - 44 years	86	39	54	39	16	40	274
45 - 54 years	178	143	174	140	74	188	897
55 - 59 years	167	128	148	151	44	95	733
60 - 64 years	141	131	159	150	56	75	712
Total	643	468	563	495	195	402	2,766

Table 6c Number of Females on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2003

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	360	187	139	18	0	0	704
20 - 24 years	2,749	995	744	191	2	0	4,681
25 - 34 years	6,270	2,213	2,330	830	11	4	11,658
35 - 44 years	5,455	1,671	1,955	868	16	0	9,965
45 - 54 years	3,910	1,030	1,183	430	5	1	6,559
55 - 59 years	1,343	327	472	171	8	0	2,321
60 - 64 years	815	211	296	137	4	0	1,463
Total	20,902	6,634	7,119	2,645	46	5	37,351
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,264	584	576	393	0	2	2,819
20 - 24 years	2,204	987	716	835	416	330	5,488
25 - 34 years	2,097	849	787	821	365	785	5,704
35 - 44 years	1,084	397	446	541	248	842	3,558
45 - 54 years	875	261	321	419	255	1,127	3,258
55 - 59 years	321	94	86	123	66	275	965
60 - 64 years	162	35	42	66	36	127	468
Total	8,007	3,207	2,974	3,198	1,386	3,488	22,260
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	17	3	3	1	1	2	27
20 - 24 years	60	31	26	17	8	5	147
25 - 34 years	330	264	247	211	120	184	1,356
35 - 44 years	596	442	548	591	421	1,068	3,666
45 - 54 years	441	317	336	343	229	658	2,324
55 - 59 years	218	140	185	145	70	158	916
60 - 64 years	117	84	106	122	60	101	590
Total	1,779	1,281	1,451	1,430	909	2,176	9,026

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2003

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	5,357	2,082	2,423	1,761	853	2,367	14,843
Females	4,778	1,437	1,505	1,013	387	1,002	10,122
Total	10,135	3,519	3,928	2,774	1,240	3,369	24,965
Dublin							
Males	8,468	4,391	5,076	3,843	1,235	3,475	26,488
Females	6,661	3,047	3,229	1,991	516	1,094	16,538
Total	15,129	7,438	8,305	5,834	1,751	4,569	43,026
Mid-East							
Males	2,438	1,162	1,260	854	335	642	6,691
Females	2,350	1,018	1,060	624	137	308	5,497
Total	4,788	2,180	2,320	1,478	472	950	12,188
Midland							
Males	2,003	894	965	712	278	618	5,470
Females	2,157	831	728	451	159	333	4,659
Total	4,160	1,725	1,693	1,163	437	951	10,129
Mid-West							
Males	2,687	1,231	1,490	1,161	455	851	7,875
Females	2,860	1,000	1,187	685	226	474	6,432
Total	5,547	2,231	2,677	1,846	681	1,325	14,307
South-East							
Males	4,246	1,598	1,878	1,580	701	1,854	11,857
Females	4,216	1,280	1,313	922	371	966	9,068
Total	8,462	2,878	3,191	2,502	1,072	2,820	20,925
South-West							
Males	4,647	1,804	2,165	1,662	676	2,252	13,206
Females	4,843	1,312	1,448	865	286	745	9,499
Total	9,490	3,116	3,613	2,527	962	2,997	22,705
West							
Males	3,039	1,433	1,712	1,277	473	1,574	9,508
Females	2,823	1,197	1,074	722	259	747	6,822
Total	5,862	2,630	2,786	1,999	732	2,321	16,330
State							
Males	32,885	14,595	16,969	12,850	5,006	13,633	95,938
Females	30,688	11,122	11,544	7,273	2,341	5,669	68,637
Total	63,573	25,717	28,513	20,123	7,347	19,302	164,575

Background Notes

Source and scope of the Live Register	<p>Live Register statistics are compiled from returns made directly to the Central Statistics Office by each local office of the Department of Social and Family Affairs. The Live Register comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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.
	<p>The monthly Live Register statistics relate to the situation on the last Friday of the month.</p>
Age by Duration Analysis	<p>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.</p>
Descriptive articles	<p>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>.</p>
Unemployment statistics	<p>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.</p>
NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions	<p>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></p>

Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region

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

Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region

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