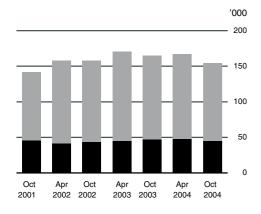




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Live Register Age by Duration Analysis October 2004

	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
October 2003	117,803	46,772	164,575
April 2004	119,817	47,239	167,056
October 2004	109,367	44,677	154,044

Decrease in both short-term and long-term claimants

The decrease of 13,012 in the Live Register in the six months to October 2004 was comprised of a decrease of 10,450 (-8.7%) in short-term claimants and a decrease of 2,562 (-5.4%) for persons signing on for one year or more.

In October 2004, 29.0% of all claimants were long-term, which compares to 28.3% in April 2004 and 28.4% in October 2003. See table 1 and graph.

Other features include:

- ♦ Of all claimants on the Live Register, 33.9% of males and 22.1% of females were long-term claimants. See table 1.
- In the year to October 2004, the number of short-term claimants decreased by 8,436 while long-term claimants decreased by 2,095. See ta-
- In the six months to October 2004, the number of males signing on decreased in all age groups. Overall the number of males decreased by 8,179 (-8.3%). Males aged under 20 years (-10.7%) showed the largest percentage decrease, while those aged 60-64 (-4.4%) showed the lowest decrease. Overall the number of females decreased by 4,833 (-7.0%). Females aged 35-44 (-9.4%) showed the largest decrease, while there was an increase of 21 (+0.8%) for females aged 60-64. See table 2.
- For all persons making claims for 1 year or more, the largest percentages are among the 35-44 (25.6%) and 45-54 (25.2%) age groups. Those aged under 20 years (1.9%) and those aged 60-64 (5.0%) show the lowest percentages. See table 5a.
- ♦ Of all persons making claims for under 1 year, the largest percentages are among the 25-34 (27.7%) and 35-44 (21.9%) age groups. Those aged 60-64 (4.9%) and those aged under 20 years (5.5%) had the lowest percentages. See table 5a
- There were 40.1% (61,724) of all claimants on the Live Register registered for less than three months and 11.9% (18,344) 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 2004 is 93,900 persons unemployed.

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

Sex/Duration	April 2002	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004
Males						
Less than one year	67,867	64,586	69,822	64,449	66,197	59,478
One year or more	27,736	29,107	30,468	31,489	31,989	30,529
Total	95,603	93,693	100,290	95,938	98,186	90,007
Females						
Less than one year	48,596	50,106	55,628	53,354	53,620	49,889
One year or more	13,293	13,866	14,366	15,283	15,250	14,148
Total	61,889	63,972	69,994	68,637	68,870	64,037
All Persons						
Less than one year	116,463	114,692	125,450	117,803	119,817	109,367
One year or more	41,029	42,973	44,834	46,772	47,239	44,677
Total	157,492	157,665	170,284	164,575	167,056	154,044

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

Sex/Age	April 2002	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004
Males						
Under 20 years	3,956	3,762	4,143	3,937	4,028	3,597
20 - 24 years	14,093	13,454	14,581	13,964	14,376	12,883
25 - 34 years	26,585	25,774	27,793	25,718	26,462	23,742
35 - 44 years	20,484	20,157	21,494	20,929	21,586	19,742
45 - 54 years	19,206	18,740	19,697	19,108	19,127	18,027
55 - 59 years	6,713	7,012	7,451	7,274	7,455	7,090
60 - 64 years	4,566	4,794	5,131	5,008	5,152	4,926
Total	95,603	93,693	100,290	95,938	98,186	90,007
Females						
Under 20 years	3,109	3,147	3,453	3,550	3,559	3,277
20 - 24 years	8,908	9,526	9,882	10,316	9,857	9,624
25 - 34 years	17,832	18,245	19,270	18,718	18,418	16,747
35 - 44 years	15,823	16,100	17,736	17,189	17,238	15,611
45 - 54 years	10,630	10,942	12,656	12,141	12,737	11,864
55 - 59 years	3,538	3,811	4,401	4,202	4,467	4,299
60 - 64 years	2,049	2,201	2,596	2,521	2,594	2,615
Total	61,889	63,972	69,994	68,637	68,870	64,037
All Persons						
Under 20 years	7,065	6,909	7,596	7,487	7,587	6,874
20 - 24 years	23,001	22,980	24,463	24,280	24,233	22,507
25 - 34 years	44,417	44,019	47,063	44,436	44,880	40,489
35 - 44 years	36,307	36,257	39,230	38,118	38,824	35,353
45 - 54 years	29,836	29,682	32,353	31,249	31,864	29,891
55 - 59 years	10,251	10,823	11,852	11,476	11,922	11,389
60 - 64 years	6,615	6,995	7,727	7,529	7,746	7,541
Total	157,492	157,665	170,284	164,575	167,056	154,044

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2004

Sex/Duration	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									
Less than one year	8,709	16,030	4,566	3,581	5,028	8,208	7,774	5,582	59,478
One year or more	4,757	8,453	1,943	1,588	2,415	3,918	4,314	3,141	30,529
Total	13,466	24,483	6,509	5,169	7,443	12,126	12,088	8,723	90,007
Females									
Less than one year	7,170	11,586	4,332	3,491	4,543	6,801	7,122	4,844	49,889
One year or more	2,415	3,065	945	969	1,256	1,976	1,883	1,639	14,148
Total	9,585	14,651	5,277	4,460	5,799	8,777	9,005	6,483	64,037
All Persons									
Less than one year	15,879	27,616	8,898	7,072	9,571	15,009	14,896	10,426	109,367
One year or more	7,172	11,518	2,888	2,557	3,671	5,894	6,197	4,780	44,677
Total	23,051	39,134	11,786	9,629	13,242	20,903	21,093	15,206	154,044

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Age and Sex, October 2004

Sex/Age	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									
Under 20 years	576	1,075	230	241	302	510	374	289	3,597
20 - 24 years	1,902	3,697	958	824	1,147	1,676	1,562	1,117	12,883
25 - 34 years	3,392	7,259	1,667	1,250	2,038	2,933	3,060	2,143	23,742
35 - 44 years	3,034	5,210	1,433	1,113	1,586	2,768	2,639	1,959	19,742
45 - 54 years	2,829	4,057	1,252	1,036	1,449	2,776	2,702	1,926	18,027
55 - 59 years	1,089	1,760	547	421	522	909	1,050	792	7,090
60 - 64 years	644	1,425	422	284	399	554	701	497	4,926
Total	13,466	24,483	6,509	5,169	7,443	12,126	12,088	8,723	90,007
Females									
Under 20 years	548	870	251	300	291	454	344	219	3,277
20 - 24 years	1,628	2,140	700	706	864	1,286	1,285	1,015	9,624
25 - 34 years	2,421	3,838	1,473	1,087	1,582	2,345	2,377	1,624	16,747
35 - 44 years	2,285	3,321	1,340	1,087	1,484	2,257	2,238	1,599	15,611
45 - 54 years	1,778	2,556	920	840	1,034	1,647	1,767	1,322	11,864
55 - 59 years	590	1,130	371	279	372	492	660	405	4,299
60 - 64 years	335	796	222	161	172	296	334	299	2,615
Total	9,585	14,651	5,277	4,460	5,799	8,777	9,005	6,483	64,037
All Persons									
Under 20 years	1,124	1,945	481	541	593	964	718	508	6,874
20 - 24 years	3,530	5,837	1,658	1,530	2,011	2,962	2,847	2,132	22,507
25 - 34 years	5,813	11,097	3,140	2,337	3,620	5,278	5,437	3,767	40,489
35 - 44 years	5,319	8,531	2,773	2,200	3,070	5,025	4,877	3,558	35,353
45 - 54 years	4,607	6,613	2,172	1,876	2,483	4,423	4,469	3,248	29,891
55 - 59 years	1,679	2,890	918	700	894	1,401	1,710	1,197	11,389
60 - 64 years	979	2,221	644	445	571	850	1,035	796	7,541
Total	23,051	39,134	11,786	9,629	13,242	20,903	21,093	15,206	154,044

Table 5a Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2004

	Duration of Contin	nuous Registration	
Sex/Age	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
Males			
Under 20 years	3,139	458	3,597
20 - 24 years	9,874	3,009	12,883
25 - 34 years	16,459	7,283	23,742
35 - 44 years	12,240	7,502	19,742
45 - 54 years	10,075	7,952	18,027
55 - 59 years	4,375	2,715	7,090
60 - 64 years	3,316	1,610	4,926
Total	59,478	30,529	90,007
Females			
Under 20 years	2,883	394	3,277
20 - 24 years	7,754	1,870	9,624
25 - 34 years	13,788	2,959	16,747
35 - 44 years	11,660	3,951	15,611
45 - 54 years	8,560	3,304	11,864
55 - 59 years	3,245	1,054	4,299
60 - 64 years	1,999	616	2,615
Total	49,889	14,148	64,037
All Persons			
Under 20 years	6,022	852	6,874
20 - 24 years	17,628	4,879	22,507
25 - 34 years	30,247	10,242	40,489
35 - 44 years	23,900	11,453	35,353
45 - 54 years	18,635	11,256	29,891
55 - 59 years	7,620	3,769	11,389
60 - 64 years	5,315	2,226	7,541
Total	109,367	44,677	154,044

Table 5b Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration (Detailed), October 2004

		Duration	of Continuous	s Registration			
Sex/Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Males							
Under 20 years	1,787	669	683	458	0	0	3,597
20 - 24 years	5,413	2,388	2,073	1,482	837	690	12,883
25 - 34 years	8,844	3,643	3,972	3,063	1,537	2,683	23,742
35 - 44 years	6,520	2,526	3,194	2,834	1,469	3,199	19,742
45 - 54 years	5,313	1,993	2,769	2,327	1,204	4,421	18,027
55 - 59 years	2,274	879	1,222	911	354	1,450	7,090
60 - 64 years	1,567	691	1,058	676	224	710	4,926
Total	31,718	12,789	14,971	11,751	5,625	13,153	90,007
Females							
Under 20 years	1,598	661	624	394	0	0	3,277
20 - 24 years	4,688	1,727	1,339	935	552	383	9,624
25 - 34 years	8,360	2,686	2,742	1,539	507	913	16,747
35 - 44 years	6,828	2,198	2,634	1,689	636	1,626	15,611
45 - 54 years	5,343	1,558	1,659	1,185	467	1,652	11,864
55 - 59 years	1,993	572	680	491	155	408	4,299
60 - 64 years	1,196	340	463	312	95	209	2,615
Total	30,006	9,742	10,141	6,545	2,412	5,191	64,037
All Persons							
Under 20 years	3,385	1,330	1,307	852	0	0	6,874
20 - 24 years	10,101	4,115	3,412	2,417	1,389	1,073	22,507
25 - 34 years	17,204	6,329	6,714	4,602	2,044	3,596	40,489
35 - 44 years	13,348	4,724	5,828	4,523	2,105	4,825	35,353
45 - 54 years	10,656	3,551	4,428	3,512	1,671	6,073	29,891
55 - 59 years	4,267	1,451	1,902	1,402	509	1,858	11,389
60 - 64 years	2,763	1,031	1,521	988	319	919	7,541
Total	61,724	22,531	25,112	18,296	8,037	18,344	154,044

Table 6a Persons on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2004

Type of Claim		Duration of	Continuous Re	egistration			
and Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	438	179	116	7	0	0	740
20 - 24 years	4,727	1,712	1,232	140	4	0	7,815
25 - 34 years	10,268	3,343	3,346	887	21	11	17,876
35 - 44 years	8,447	2,540	3,042	1,031	13	7	15,080
45 - 54 years	7,012	1,928	2,220	766	7	3	11,936
55 - 59 years	2,760	848	1,065	400	3	3	5,079
60 - 64 years	1,838	625	979	368	3	1	3,814
Total	35,490	11,175	12,000	3,599	51	25	62,340
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	2,924	1,146	1,187	845	0	0	6,102
20 - 24 years	5,290	2,367	2,169	2,262	1,382	1,071	14,541
25 - 34 years	6,552	2,790	3,176	3,514	1,927	3,467	21,426
35 - 44 years	4,224	1,726	2,232	2,875	1,773	3,892	16,722
45 - 54 years	3,012	1,168	1,687	2,192	1,391	5,261	14,711
55 - 59 years	1,126	361	541	668	372	1,614	4,682
60 - 64 years	619	190	262	351	198	737	2,357
Total	23,747	9,748	11,254	12,707	7,043	16,042	80,541
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	23	5	4	0	0	0	32
20 - 24 years	84	36	11	15	3	2	151
25 - 34 years	384	196	192	201	96	118	1,187
35 - 44 years	677	458	554	617	319	926	3,551
45 - 54 years	632	455	521	554	273	809	3,244
55 - 59 years	381	242	296	334	134	241	1,628
60 - 64 years	306	216	280	269	118	181	1,370
Total	2,487	1,608	1,858	1,990	943	2,277	11,163

Table 6b Number of Males on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2004

Type of Claim		Duration	of Continuous	Registration			
and Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	231	91	65	3	0	0	390
20 - 24 years	2,442	965	702	68	2	0	4,179
25 - 34 years	4,431	1,612	1,548	352	11	5	7,959
35 - 44 years	3,393	1,141	1,320	437	4	5	6,300
45 - 54 years	3,104	955	1,271	402	0	2	5,734
55 - 59 years	1,323	495	656	246	3	1	2,724
60 - 64 years	1,001	421	682	246	0	1	2,351
Total	15,925	5,680	6,244	1,754	20	14	29,637
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,543	576	615	455	0	0	3,189
20 - 24 years	2,939	1,411	1,369	1,412	834	690	8,655
25 - 34 years	4,364	2,014	2,412	2,702	1,521	2,675	15,688
35 - 44 years	3,046	1,331	1,822	2,350	1,449	3,163	13,161
45 - 54 years	2,027	884	1,321	1,738	1,140	4,279	11,389
55 - 59 years	778	280	421	520	292	1,364	3,655
60 - 64 years	407	143	208	281	161	623	1,823
Total	15,104	6,639	8,168	9,458	5,397	12,794	57,560
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	13	2	3	0	0	0	18
20 - 24 years	32	12	2	2	1	0	49
25 - 34 years	49	17	12	9	5	3	95
35 - 44 years	81	54	52	47	16	31	281
45 - 54 years	182	154	177	187	64	140	904
55 - 59 years	173	104	145	145	59	85	711
60 - 64 years	159	127	168	149	63	86	752
Total	689	470	559	539	208	345	2,810

Table 6c Number of Females on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2004

Type of Claim		Duration	of Continuous	Registration			
and Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	207	88	51	4	0	0	350
20 - 24 years	2,285	747	530	72	2	0	3,636
25 - 34 years	5,837	1,731	1,798	535	10	6	9,917
35 - 44 years	5,054	1,399	1,722	594	9	2	8,780
45 - 54 years	3,908	973	949	364	7	1	6,202
55 - 59 years	1,437	353	409	154	0	2	2,355
60 - 64 years	837	204	297	122	3	0	1,463
Total	19,565	5,495	5,756	1,845	31	11	32,703
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,381	570	572	390	0	0	2,913
20 - 24 years	2,351	956	800	850	548	381	5,886
25 - 34 years	2,188	776	764	812	406	792	5,738
35 - 44 years	1,178	395	410	525	324	729	3,561
45 - 54 years	985	284	366	454	251	982	3,322
55 - 59 years	348	81	120	148	80	250	1,027
60 - 64 years	212	47	54	70	37	114	534
Total	8,643	3,109	3,086	3,249	1,646	3,248	22,981
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	10	3	1	0	0	0	14
20 - 24 years	52	24	9	13	2	2	102
25 - 34 years	335	179	180	192	91	115	1,092
35 - 44 years	596	404	502	570	303	895	3,270
45 - 54 years	450	301	344	367	209	669	2,340
55 - 59 years	208	138	151	189	75	156	917
60 - 64 years	147	89	112	120	55	95	618
Total	1,798	1,138	1,299	1,451	735	1,932	8,353

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2004

		Durat	ion of Continuo	ous Registration	า		
Regional Authority	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Border							
Males	4,762	1,780	2,167	1,776	777	2,204	13,466
Females	4,478	1,263	1,429	1,044	401	970	9,585
Total	9,240	3,043	3,596	2,820	1,178	3,174	23,051
Dublin							
Males	7,833	3,715	4,482	3,478	1,692	3,283	24,483
Females	6,442	2,543	2,601	1,643	533	889	14,651
Total	14,275	6,258	7,083	5,121	2,225	4,172	39,134
Mid-East							
Males	2,412	1,008	1,146	833	385	725	6,509
Females	2,518	857	957	529	151	265	5,277
Total	4,930	1,865	2,103	1,362	536	990	11,786
Midland							
Males	1,846	814	921	635	280	673	5,169
Females	2,060	719	712	450	175	344	4,460
Total	3,906	1,533	1,633	1,085	455	1,017	9,629
Mid-West							
Males	2,717	1,033	1,278	1,044	474	897	7,443
Females	2,656	935	952	614	219	423	5,799
Total	5,373	1,968	2,230	1,658	693	1,320	13,242
South-East							
Males	4,927	1,501	1,780	1,400	735	1,783	12,126
Females	4,368	1,184	1,249	762	325	889	8,777
Total	9,295	2,685	3,029	2,162	1,060	2,672	20,903
South-West							
Males	4,395	1,624	1,755	1,477	741	2,096	12,088
Females	4,607	1,271	1,244	830	319	734	9,005
Total	9,002	2,895	2,999	2,307	1,060	2,830	21,093
West							
Males	2,826	1,314	1,442	1,108	541	1,492	8,723
Females	2,877	970	997	673	289	677	6,483
Total	5,703	2,284	2,439	1,781	830	2,169	15,206
State							
Males	31,718	12,789	14,971	11,751	5,625	13,153	90,007
Females	30,006	9,742	10,141	6,545	2,412	5,191	64,037
Total	61,724	22,531	25,112	18,296	8,037	18,344	154,044

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 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.

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. *See overleaf*.

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