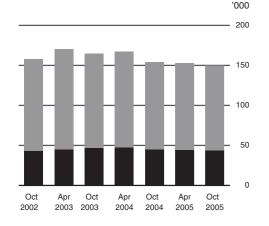


Duration of Continuous Registration



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	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
October 2004	109,367	44,677	154,044
April 2005	108,909	43,800	152,709
October 2005	106,302	43,540	149,842

Fall in both short-term and long-term claimants

There was a fall of 2,867 in the Live Register in the six months to October 2005. This fall was comprised of a decrease of 2,607 (-2.4%) in short-term claimants and a decrease of 260 (-0.6%) for persons signing on for one year or more.

In October 2005, 29.1% of all claimants were long-term, which compares with 28.7% in April 2005 and 29.0% in October 2004. See table 1 and graph.

Other features include:

- ♦ Of all claimants on the Live Register, 34.1% of males and 21.7% of females were long-term claimants. See table 1.
- In the year to October 2005, the number of short-term claimants decreased by 3,065 (-2.8%) while long-term claimants decreased by 1,137 (-2.5%). *See table 1*.
- In the six months to October 2005, the total number of males signing on decreased by 2,295 (-2.5%). The largest decrease was in the age group 55-59 (-6.2%), while there was an increase in those aged under 20 years (+2.2%).
- ♦ The number of females decreased by 572 (-0.9%) in the six months to October 2005. Females aged 35-44 (-3.2%) showed the largest decrease, while the largest increase was for females aged 60-64 years (+2.5%). See table 2.
- ♦ For all persons making claims for 1 year or more, the largest percentage was among the 45-54 year age group (25.1%). Those aged under 20 years (2.1%) showed the lowest percentage. See table 5a.
- ♦ Of all persons making claims for under 1 year, the largest percentage was among the 25-34 year age group (28.6%). Those aged 60-64 (4.7%) had the lowest percentage. See table 5a.
- There were 39.7% (59,538) of all claimants on the Live Register registered for less than three months and 12.1% (18,076) 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 March to May 2005 is 85,600 persons unemployed.

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

Sex/Duration	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004	April 2005	October 2005
Males							
Less than one year	64,586	69,822	64,449	66,197	59,478	60,621	58,473
One year or more	29,107	30,468	31,489	31,989	30,529	30,448	30,301
Total	93,693	100,290	95,938	98,186	90,007	91,069	88,774
Females							
Less than one year	50,106	55,628	53,354	53,620	49,889	48,288	47,829
One year or more	13,866	14,366	15,283	15,250	14,148	13,352	13,239
Total	63,972	69,994	68,637	68,870	64,037	61,640	61,068
All Persons							
Less than one year	114,692	125,450	117,803	119,817	109,367	108,909	106,302
One year or more	42,973	44,834	46,772	47,239	44,677	43,800	43,540
Total	157,665	170,284	164,575	167,056	154,044	152,709	149,842

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

Sex/Age	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004	April 2005	October 2005
Males							
Under 20 years	3,762	4,143	3,937	4,028	3,597	3,866	3,946
20 - 24 years	13,454	14,581	13,964	14,376	12,883	13,450	13,028
25 - 34 years	25,774	27,793	25,718	26,462	23,742	24,573	24,270
35 - 44 years	20,157	21,494	20,929	21,586	19,742	19,982	19,615
45 - 54 years	18,740	19,697	19,108	19,127	18,027	17,606	16,982
55 - 59 years	7,012	7,451	7,274	7,455	7,090	6,810	6,371
60 - 64 years	4,794	5,131	5,008	5,152	4,926	4,782	4,562
Total	93,693	100,290	95,938	98,186	90,007	91,069	88,774
Females							
Under 20 years	3,147	3,453	3,550	3,559	3,277	3,231	3,242
20 - 24 years	9,526	9,882	10,316	9,857	9,624	9,059	9,104
25 - 34 years	18,245	19,270	18,718	18,418	16,747	16,042	16,194
35 - 44 years	16,100	17,736	17,189	17,238	15,611	14,929	14,435
45 - 54 years	10,942	12,656	12,141	12,737	11,864	11,609	11,298
55 - 59 years	3,811	4,401	4,202	4,467	4,299	4,228	4,188
60 - 64 years	2,201	2,596	2,521	2,594	2,615	2,542	2,607
Total	63,972	69,994	68,637	68,870	64,037	61,640	61,068
All Persons							
Under 20 years	6,909	7,596	7,487	7,587	6,874	7,097	7,188
20 - 24 years	22,980	24,463	24,280	24,233	22,507	22,509	22,132
25 - 34 years	44,019	47,063	44,436	44,880	40,489	40,615	40,464
35 - 44 years	36,257	39,230	38,118	38,824	35,353	34,911	34,050
45 - 54 years	29,682	32,353	31,249	31,864	29,891	29,215	28,280
55 - 59 years	10,823	11,852	11,476	11,922	11,389	11,038	10,559
60 - 64 years	6,995	7,727	7,529	7,746	7,541	7,324	7,169
Total	157,665	170,284	164,575	167,056	154,044	152,709	149,842

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2005

Sex/Duration	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									
Less than one year	8,392	16,430	4,579	3,675	4,786	7,436	7,811	5,364	58,473
One year or more	4,432	8,694	1,980	1,662	2,509	3,824	4,144	3,056	30,301
Total	12,824	25,124	6,559	5,337	7,295	11,260	11,955	8,420	88,774
Females									
Less than one year	6,966	11,190	4,179	3,502	4,153	6,387	6,795	4,657	47,829
One year or more	2,056	3,016	923	892	1,265	1,763	1,743	1,581	13,239
Total	9,022	14,206	5,102	4,394	5,418	8,150	8,538	6,238	61,068
All Persons									
Less than one year	15,358	27,620	8,758	7,177	8,939	13,823	14,606	10,021	106,302
One year or more	6,488	11,710	2,903	2,554	3,774	5,587	5,887	4,637	43,540
Total	21,846	39,330	11,661	9,731	12,713	19,410	20,493	14,658	149,842

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Age and Sex, October 2005

Sex/Age	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									
Under 20 years	556	1,180	302	287	307	578	436	300	3,946
20 - 24 years	1,895	3,843	902	832	1,116	1,652	1,570	1,218	13,028
25 - 34 years	3,313	7,623	1,749	1,347	2,038	2,930	3,113	2,157	24,270
35 - 44 years	2,898	5,429	1,450	1,191	1,601	2,526	2,626	1,894	19,615
45 - 54 years	2,656	3,918	1,245	1,048	1,402	2,301	2,627	1,785	16,982
55 - 59 years	948	1,734	543	364	473	749	939	621	6,371
60 - 64 years	558	1,397	368	268	358	524	644	445	4,562
Total	12,824	25,124	6,559	5,337	7,295	11,260	11,955	8,420	88,774
Females									
Under 20 years	447	908	238	289	291	470	349	250	3,242
20 - 24 years	1,436	2,055	665	725	810	1,286	1,202	925	9,104
25 - 34 years	2,366	3,748	1,380	1,130	1,471	2,154	2,290	1,655	16,194
35 - 44 years	2,176	3,138	1,354	1,007	1,353	1,920	2,063	1,424	14,435
45 - 54 years	1,688	2,460	869	777	964	1,576	1,694	1,270	11,298
55 - 59 years	595	1,125	367	280	343	455	589	434	4,188
60 - 64 years	314	772	229	186	186	289	351	280	2,607
Total	9,022	14,206	5,102	4,394	5,418	8,150	8,538	6,238	61,068
All Persons									
Under 20 years	1,003	2,088	540	576	598	1,048	785	550	7,188
20 - 24 years	3,331	5,898	1,567	1,557	1,926	2,938	2,772	2,143	22,132
25 - 34 years	5,679	11,371	3,129	2,477	3,509	5,084	5,403	3,812	40,464
35 - 44 years	5,074	8,567	2,804	2,198	2,954	4,446	4,689	3,318	34,050
45 - 54 years	4,344	6,378	2,114	1,825	2,366	3,877	4,321	3,055	28,280
55 - 59 years	1,543	2,859	910	644	816	1,204	1,528	1,055	10,559
60 - 64 years	872	2,169	597	454	544	813	995	725	7,169
Total	21,846	39,330	11,661	9,731	12,713	19,410	20,493	14,658	149,842

Table 5a Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2005

	Duration of Contin	nuous Registration	
Sex/Age	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
Males			
Under 20 years	3,460	486	3,946
20 - 24 years	9,902	3,126	13,028
25 - 34 years	16,950	7,320	24,270
35 - 44 years	12,187	7,428	19,615
45 - 54 years	9,228	7,754	16,982
55 - 59 years	3,740	2,631	6,371
60 - 64 years	3,006	1,556	4,562
Total	58,473	30,301	88,774
Females			
Under 20 years	2,835	407	3,242
20 - 24 years	7,213	1,891	9,104
25 - 34 years	13,436	2,758	16,194
35 - 44 years	11,036	3,399	14,435
45 - 54 years	8,123	3,175	11,298
55 - 59 years	3,194	994	4,188
60 - 64 years	1,992	615	2,607
Total	47,829	13,239	61,068
All Persons			
Under 20 years	6,295	893	7,188
20 - 24 years	17,115	5,017	22,132
25 - 34 years	30,386	10,078	40,464
35 - 44 years	23,223	10,827	34,050
45 - 54 years	17,351	10,929	28,280
55 - 59 years	6,934	3,625	10,559
60 - 64 years	4,998	2,171	7,169
Total	106,302	43,540	149,842

Table 5b Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration (Detailed), October 2005

		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	1,941	789	730	485	1	0	3,946
20 - 24 years	5,247	2,476	2,179	1,522	818	786	13,028
25 - 34 years	9,055	3,963	3,932	2,976	1,480	2,864	24,270
35 - 44 years	6,462	2,739	2,986	2,603	1,452	3,373	19,615
45 - 54 years	4,808	1,929	2,491	2,275	1,294	4,185	16,982
55 - 59 years	1,986	728	1,026	823	439	1,369	6,371
60 - 64 years	1,480	581	945	599	263	694	4,562
Total	30,979	13,205	14,289	11,283	5,747	13,271	88,774
Females							
Under 20 years	1,559	678	598	407	0	0	3,242
20 - 24 years	4,247	1,686	1,280	923	512	456	9,104
25 - 34 years	8,116	2,774	2,546	1,407	490	861	16,194
35 - 44 years	6,491	2,130	2,415	1,450	587	1,362	14,435
45 - 54 years	5,011	1,543	1,569	1,139	511	1,525	11,298
55 - 59 years	1,976	541	677	437	143	414	4,188
60 - 64 years	1,159	356	477	314	114	187	2,607
Total	28,559	9,708	9,562	6,077	2,357	4,805	61,068
All Persons							
Under 20 years	3,500	1,467	1,328	892	1	0	7,188
20 - 24 years	9,494	4,162	3,459	2,445	1,330	1,242	22,132
25 - 34 years	17,171	6,737	6,478	4,383	1,970	3,725	40,464
35 - 44 years	12,953	4,869	5,401	4,053	2,039	4,735	34,050
45 - 54 years	9,819	3,472	4,060	3,414	1,805	5,710	28,280
55 - 59 years	3,962	1,269	1,703	1,260	582	1,783	10,559
60 - 64 years	2,639	937	1,422	913	377	881	7,169
Total	59,538	22,913	23,851	17,360	8,104	18,076	149,842

Table 6a Persons on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2005

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	371	173	129	3	0	0	676
20 - 24 years	4,270	1,558	1,123	93	2	0	7,046
25 - 34 years	9,840	3,230	3,153	662	13	3	16,901
35 - 44 years	7,810	2,537	2,666	728	15	4	13,760
45 - 54 years	6,208	1,873	1,854	544	7	3	10,489
55 - 59 years	2,486	725	913	279	8	0	4,411
60 - 64 years	1,695	546	828	269	7	0	3,345
Total	32,680	10,642	10,666	2,578	52	10	56,628
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	3,115	1,291	1,196	889	1	0	6,492
20 - 24 years	5,170	2,581	2,327	2,347	1,328	1,241	14,994
25 - 34 years	7,062	3,350	3,128	3,549	1,880	3,644	22,613
35 - 44 years	4,614	2,001	2,269	2,798	1,717	4,061	17,460
45 - 54 years	3,077	1,201	1,703	2,305	1,505	4,954	14,745
55 - 59 years	1,136	317	488	689	428	1,566	4,624
60 - 64 years	624	174	284	349	230	731	2,392
Total	24,798	10,915	11,395	12,926	7,089	16,197	83,320
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	14	3	3	0	0	0	20
20 - 24 years	54	23	9	5	0	1	92
25 - 34 years	269	157	197	172	77	78	950
35 - 44 years	529	331	466	527	307	670	2,830
45 - 54 years	534	398	503	565	293	753	3,046
55 - 59 years	340	227	302	292	146	217	1,524
60 - 64 years	320	217	310	295	140	150	1,432
Total	2,060	1,356	1,790	1,856	963	1,869	9,894

Table 6b Number of Males on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2005

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	211	102	67	2	0	0	382
20 - 24 years	2,301	905	665	49	1	0	3,921
25 - 34 years	4,343	1,617	1,502	245	9	3	7,719
35 - 44 years	3,048	1,152	1,162	267	5	1	5,635
45 - 54 years	2,579	939	980	298	3	1	4,800
55 - 59 years	1,097	389	510	166	3	0	2,165
60 - 64 years	878	337	545	170	3	0	1,933
Total	14,457	5,441	5,431	1,197	24	5	26,555
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,722	685	662	483	1	0	3,553
20 - 24 years	2,931	1,569	1,514	1,473	817	785	9,089
25 - 34 years	4,682	2,331	2,414	2,721	1,469	2,857	16,474
35 - 44 years	3,324	1,555	1,770	2,300	1,428	3,352	13,729
45 - 54 years	2,080	881	1,348	1,787	1,197	4,052	11,345
55 - 59 years	736	229	380	537	359	1,295	3,536
60 - 64 years	418	140	236	260	185	616	1,855
Total	15,893	7,390	8,324	9,561	5,456	12,957	59,581
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	8	2	1	0	0	0	11
20 - 24 years	15	2	0	0	0	1	18
25 - 34 years	30	15	16	10	2	4	77
35 - 44 years	90	32	54	36	19	20	251
45 - 54 years	149	109	163	190	94	132	837
55 - 59 years	153	110	136	120	77	74	670
60 - 64 years	184	104	164	169	75	78	774
Total	629	374	534	525	267	309	2,638

Table 6c Number of Females on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2005

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	160	71	62	1	0	0	294
20 - 24 years	1,969	653	458	44	1	0	3,125
25 - 34 years	5,497	1,613	1,651	417	4	0	9,182
35 - 44 years	4,762	1,385	1,504	461	10	3	8,125
45 - 54 years	3,629	934	874	246	4	2	5,689
55 - 59 years	1,389	336	403	113	5	0	2,246
60 - 64 years	817	209	283	99	4	0	1,412
Total	18,223	5,201	5,235	1,381	28	5	30,073
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,393	606	534	406	0	0	2,939
20 - 24 years	2,239	1,012	813	874	511	456	5,905
25 - 34 years	2,380	1,019	714	828	411	787	6,139
35 - 44 years	1,290	446	499	498	289	709	3,731
45 - 54 years	997	320	355	518	308	902	3,400
55 - 59 years	400	88	108	152	69	271	1,088
60 - 64 years	206	34	48	89	45	115	537
Total	8,905	3,525	3,071	3,365	1,633	3,240	23,739
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	6	1	2	0	0	0	9
20 - 24 years	39	21	9	5	0	0	74
25 - 34 years	239	142	181	162	75	74	873
35 - 44 years	439	299	412	491	288	650	2,579
45 - 54 years	385	289	340	375	199	621	2,209
55 - 59 years	187	117	166	172	69	143	854
60 - 64 years	136	113	146	126	65	72	658
Total	1,431	982	1,256	1,331	696	1,560	7,256

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2005

		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	4,509	1,755	2,128	1,598	806	2,028	12,824
Females	4,378	1,225	1,363	873	335	848	9,022
Total	8,887	2,980	3,491	2,471	1,141	2,876	21,846
Dublin							
Males	8,376	3,945	4,109	3,339	1,795	3,560	25,124
Females	6,181	2,586	2,423	1,514	598	904	14,206
Total	14,557	6,531	6,532	4,853	2,393	4,464	39,330
Mid-East							
Males	2,351	1,075	1,153	803	394	783	6,559
Females	2,386	879	914	483	185	255	5,102
Total	4,737	1,954	2,067	1,286	579	1,038	11,661
Midland							
Males	1,960	816	899	678	296	688	5,337
Females	2,042	710	750	407	168	317	4,394
Total	4,002	1,526	1,649	1,085	464	1,005	9,731
Mid-West							
Males	2,596	1,043	1,147	992	514	1,003	7,295
Females	2,438	870	845	618	222	425	5,418
Total	5,034	1,913	1,992	1,610	736	1,428	12,713
South-East							
Males	4,141	1,542	1,753	1,401	681	1,742	11,260
Females	4,095	1,128	1,164	759	266	738	8,150
Total	8,236	2,670	2,917	2,160	947	2,480	19,410
South-West							
Males	4,362	1,690	1,759	1,385	739	2,020	11,955
Females	4,384	1,265	1,146	761	313	669	8,538
Total	8,746	2,955	2,905	2,146	1,052	2,689	20,493
West							
Males	2,684	1,339	1,341	1,087	522	1,447	8,420
Females	2,655	1,045	957	662	270	649	6,238
Total	5,339	2,384	2,298	1,749	792	2,096	14,658
State							
Males	30,979	13,205	14,289	11,283	5,747	13,271	88,774
Females	28,559	9,708	9,562	6,077	2,357	4,805	61,068
Total	59,538	22,913	23,851	17,360	8,104	18,076	149,842

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