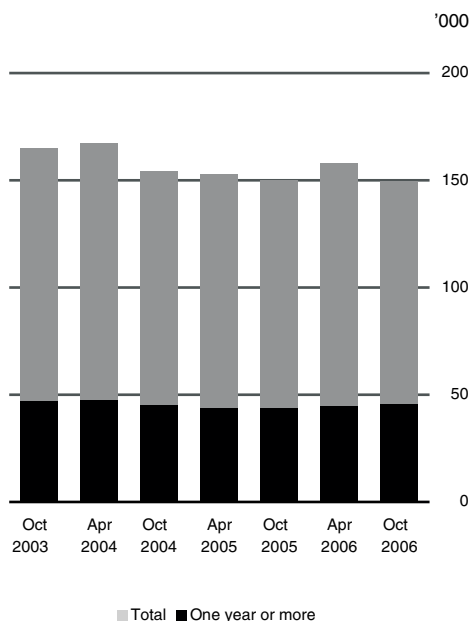


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Duration of Continuous Registration



Live Register Age by Duration October 2006

	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
October 2005	106,302	43,540	149,842
April 2006	113,473	44,591	158,064
October 2006	103,725	45,544	149,269

Decrease in short-term claimants

There was a decrease of 8,795 in the Live Register in the six months to October 2006. This fall comprised a decrease of 9,748 (-8.6%) in short-term claimants and an increase of 953 (+2.1%) in persons signing on for one year or more.

In October 2006, 30.5% of all claimants were long-term, which compares with 28.2% in April 2006 and 29.1% in October 2005. *See table 1 and graph.*

Other features include:

- ◆ Of all claimants on the Live Register in October 2006, 35.7% of males and 23.0% of females were long-term claimants. *See table 1.*
- ◆ In the year to October 2006, the number of short-term claimants decreased by 2,577 (-2.4%) while the number of long-term claimants increased by 2,004 (+4.6%). *See table 1.*
- ◆ In the six months to October 2006, the total number of males signing on decreased by 4,728 (-5.1%). The largest percentage decrease was in the age group 55-59 (-7.1%), while the lowest decrease was for those aged 60-64 (-1.9%). *See table 2.*
- ◆ The number of females decreased by 4,067 (-6.3%) in the six months to October 2006. Females aged 55-59 (-11.5%) showed the largest percentage decrease, while there was an increase for females aged 20-24 years (+1.0%). *See table 2.*
- ◆ For all persons making claims for 1 year or more, the largest percentage was among the 45-54 year age group (24.8%). Those aged under 20 years (2.2%) 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 (27.8%). Those aged 60-64 (5.2%) had the lowest percentage. *See table 5a.*
- ◆ There were 38.9% (58,020) of all claimants on the Live Register registered for less than three months and 12.5% (18,711) 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 2006 is 91,400 persons unemployed.

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

Sex/Duration	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004	April 2005	October 2005	April 2006	October 2006
Males							
Less than one year	64,449	66,197	59,478	60,621	58,473	62,174	57,050
One year or more	31,489	31,989	30,529	30,448	30,301	31,236	31,632
Total	95,938	98,186	90,007	91,069	88,774	93,410	88,682
Females							
Less than one year	53,354	53,620	49,889	48,288	47,829	51,299	46,675
One year or more	15,283	15,250	14,148	13,352	13,239	13,355	13,912
Total	68,637	68,870	64,037	61,640	61,068	64,654	60,587
All Persons							
Less than one year	117,803	119,817	109,367	108,909	106,302	113,473	103,725
One year or more	46,772	47,239	44,677	43,800	43,540	44,591	45,544
Total	164,575	167,056	154,044	152,709	149,842	158,064	149,269

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

Sex/Age	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004	April 2005	October 2005	April 2006	October 2006
Males							
Under 20 years	3,937	4,028	3,597	3,866	3,946	4,166	3,961
20 - 24 years	13,964	14,376	12,883	13,450	13,028	13,710	13,193
25 - 34 years	25,718	26,462	23,742	24,573	24,270	25,450	24,076
35 - 44 years	20,929	21,586	19,742	19,982	19,615	20,799	19,638
45 - 54 years	19,108	19,127	18,027	17,606	16,982	17,697	16,795
55 - 59 years	7,274	7,455	7,090	6,810	6,371	6,689	6,213
60 - 64 years	5,008	5,152	4,926	4,782	4,562	4,899	4,806
Total	95,938	98,186	90,007	91,069	88,774	93,410	88,682
Females							
Under 20 years	3,550	3,559	3,277	3,231	3,242	3,352	3,216
20 - 24 years	10,316	9,857	9,624	9,059	9,104	9,163	9,258
25 - 34 years	18,718	18,418	16,747	16,042	16,194	16,526	15,555
35 - 44 years	17,189	17,238	15,611	14,929	14,435	15,218	14,048
45 - 54 years	12,141	12,737	11,864	11,609	11,298	12,549	11,328
55 - 59 years	4,202	4,467	4,299	4,228	4,188	4,788	4,238
60 - 64 years	2,521	2,594	2,615	2,542	2,607	3,058	2,944
Total	68,637	68,870	64,037	61,640	61,068	64,654	60,587
All Persons							
Under 20 years	7,487	7,587	6,874	7,097	7,188	7,518	7,177
20 - 24 years	24,280	24,233	22,507	22,509	22,132	22,873	22,451
25 - 34 years	44,436	44,880	40,489	40,615	40,464	41,976	39,631
35 - 44 years	38,118	38,824	35,353	34,911	34,050	36,017	33,686
45 - 54 years	31,249	31,864	29,891	29,215	28,280	30,246	28,123
55 - 59 years	11,476	11,922	11,389	11,038	10,559	11,477	10,451
60 - 64 years	7,529	7,746	7,541	7,324	7,169	7,957	7,750
Total	164,575	167,056	154,044	152,709	149,842	158,064	149,269

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2006

Sex/Duration	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South-East	South-West	West	Total
Males									
Less than one year	8,318	15,012	4,522	3,949	4,972	7,370	7,788	5,119	57,050
One year or more	4,343	9,302	2,209	1,772	2,571	4,157	4,253	3,025	31,632
Total	12,661	24,314	6,731	5,721	7,543	11,527	12,041	8,144	88,682
Females									
Less than one year	6,973	10,420	4,058	3,621	4,067	6,363	6,734	4,439	46,675
One year or more	2,081	3,361	1,005	1,000	1,186	1,869	1,745	1,665	13,912
Total	9,054	13,781	5,063	4,621	5,253	8,232	8,479	6,104	60,587
All Persons									
Less than one year	15,291	25,432	8,580	7,570	9,039	13,733	14,522	9,558	103,725
One year or more	6,424	12,663	3,214	2,772	3,757	6,026	5,998	4,690	45,544
Total	21,715	38,095	11,794	10,342	12,796	19,759	20,520	14,248	149,269

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Age and Sex, October 2006

Sex/Age	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South-East	South-West	West	Total
Males									
Under 20 years	570	1,163	260	328	349	542	399	350	3,961
20 - 24 years	1,808	3,740	967	924	1,163	1,774	1,577	1,240	13,193
25 - 34 years	3,390	7,016	1,822	1,466	2,122	2,991	3,161	2,108	24,076
35 - 44 years	2,819	5,386	1,510	1,274	1,667	2,518	2,690	1,774	19,638
45 - 54 years	2,603	3,904	1,239	1,034	1,402	2,364	2,553	1,696	16,795
55 - 59 years	883	1,672	502	400	467	763	967	559	6,213
60 - 64 years	588	1,433	431	295	373	575	694	417	4,806
Total	12,661	24,314	6,731	5,721	7,543	11,527	12,041	8,144	88,682
Females									
Under 20 years	485	850	205	291	320	468	340	257	3,216
20 - 24 years	1,464	2,035	672	825	834	1,272	1,220	936	9,258
25 - 34 years	2,346	3,555	1,368	1,172	1,312	2,179	2,116	1,507	15,555
35 - 44 years	2,103	2,959	1,274	1,053	1,266	1,885	2,068	1,440	14,048
45 - 54 years	1,675	2,418	942	805	994	1,581	1,696	1,217	11,328
55 - 59 years	605	1,107	340	290	317	517	627	435	4,238
60 - 64 years	376	857	262	185	210	330	412	312	2,944
Total	9,054	13,781	5,063	4,621	5,253	8,232	8,479	6,104	60,587
All Persons									
Under 20 years	1,055	2,013	465	619	669	1,010	739	607	7,177
20 - 24 years	3,272	5,775	1,639	1,749	1,997	3,046	2,797	2,176	22,451
25 - 34 years	5,736	10,571	3,190	2,638	3,434	5,170	5,277	3,615	39,631
35 - 44 years	4,922	8,345	2,784	2,327	2,933	4,403	4,758	3,214	33,686
45 - 54 years	4,278	6,322	2,181	1,839	2,396	3,945	4,249	2,913	28,123
55 - 59 years	1,488	2,779	842	690	784	1,280	1,594	994	10,451
60 - 64 years	964	2,290	693	480	583	905	1,106	729	7,750
Total	21,715	38,095	11,794	10,342	12,796	19,759	20,520	14,248	149,269

Table 5a Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2006

Sex/Age	Duration of Continuous Registration		Total
	Under 1 year	1 year or more	
Males			
Under 20 years	3,403	558	3,961
20 - 24 years	9,768	3,425	13,193
25 - 34 years	16,216	7,860	24,076
35 - 44 years	11,919	7,719	19,638
45 - 54 years	8,806	7,989	16,795
55 - 59 years	3,763	2,450	6,213
60 - 64 years	3,175	1,631	4,806
Total	57,050	31,632	88,682
Females			
Under 20 years	2,781	435	3,216
20 - 24 years	7,174	2,084	9,258
25 - 34 years	12,647	2,908	15,555
35 - 44 years	10,670	3,378	14,048
45 - 54 years	8,030	3,298	11,328
55 - 59 years	3,173	1,065	4,238
60 - 64 years	2,200	744	2,944
Total	46,675	13,912	60,587
All Persons			
Under 20 years	6,184	993	7,177
20 - 24 years	16,942	5,509	22,451
25 - 34 years	28,863	10,768	39,631
35 - 44 years	22,589	11,097	33,686
45 - 54 years	16,836	11,287	28,123
55 - 59 years	6,936	3,515	10,451
60 - 64 years	5,375	2,375	7,750
Total	103,725	45,544	149,269

Table 5b Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration (Detailed), October 2006

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	1,922	735	746	558	0	0	3,961
20 - 24 years	5,201	2,330	2,237	1,653	916	856	13,193
25 - 34 years	8,492	3,668	4,056	3,244	1,552	3,064	24,076
35 - 44 years	6,196	2,444	3,279	2,664	1,451	3,604	19,638
45 - 54 years	4,690	1,755	2,361	2,309	1,403	4,277	16,795
55 - 59 years	2,010	716	1,037	738	410	1,302	6,213
60 - 64 years	1,632	621	922	597	252	782	4,806
Total	30,143	12,269	14,638	11,763	5,984	13,885	88,682
Females							
Under 20 years	1,471	658	652	435	0	0	3,216
20 - 24 years	4,200	1,649	1,325	1,005	556	523	9,258
25 - 34 years	7,538	2,515	2,594	1,473	497	938	15,555
35 - 44 years	6,267	2,094	2,309	1,522	619	1,237	14,048
45 - 54 years	5,073	1,452	1,505	1,205	584	1,509	11,328
55 - 59 years	1,987	542	644	478	183	404	4,238
60 - 64 years	1,341	413	446	389	140	215	2,944
Total	27,877	9,323	9,475	6,507	2,579	4,826	60,587
All Persons							
Under 20 years	3,393	1,393	1,398	993	0	0	7,177
20 - 24 years	9,401	3,979	3,562	2,658	1,472	1,379	22,451
25 - 34 years	16,030	6,183	6,650	4,717	2,049	4,002	39,631
35 - 44 years	12,463	4,538	5,588	4,186	2,070	4,841	33,686
45 - 54 years	9,763	3,207	3,866	3,514	1,987	5,786	28,123
55 - 59 years	3,997	1,258	1,681	1,216	593	1,706	10,451
60 - 64 years	2,973	1,034	1,368	986	392	997	7,750
Total	58,020	21,592	24,113	18,270	8,563	18,711	149,269

Table 6a Persons on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2006

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	354	97	87	0	0	0	538
20 - 24 years	4,280	1,493	1,122	95	4	0	6,994
25 - 34 years	9,349	3,173	3,084	708	6	5	16,325
35 - 44 years	7,688	2,439	2,782	814	19	2	13,744
45 - 54 years	6,226	1,749	1,889	561	11	7	10,443
55 - 59 years	2,508	685	938	294	2	0	4,427
60 - 64 years	1,918	650	845	260	3	0	3,676
Total	32,323	10,286	10,747	2,732	45	14	56,147
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	3,024	1,294	1,311	993	0	0	6,622
20 - 24 years	5,072	2,459	2,424	2,557	1,467	1,378	15,357
25 - 34 years	6,403	2,860	3,439	3,878	1,982	3,927	22,489
35 - 44 years	4,310	1,730	2,455	2,905	1,736	4,258	17,394
45 - 54 years	3,078	1,083	1,549	2,404	1,674	5,059	14,847
55 - 59 years	1,158	332	454	596	434	1,461	4,435
60 - 64 years	728	123	231	351	233	816	2,482
Total	23,773	9,881	11,863	13,684	7,526	16,899	83,626
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	15	2	0	0	0	0	17
20 - 24 years	49	27	16	6	1	1	100
25 - 34 years	278	150	127	131	61	70	817
35 - 44 years	465	369	351	467	315	581	2,548
45 - 54 years	459	375	428	549	302	720	2,833
55 - 59 years	331	241	289	326	157	245	1,589
60 - 64 years	327	261	292	375	156	181	1,592
Total	1,924	1,425	1,503	1,854	992	1,798	9,496

Table 6b Number of Males on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2006

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	203	56	50	0	0	0	309
20 - 24 years	2,317	864	667	49	3	0	3,900
25 - 34 years	4,199	1,611	1,462	286	4	3	7,565
35 - 44 years	3,080	1,092	1,294	295	5	0	5,766
45 - 54 years	2,512	888	1,034	292	2	3	4,731
55 - 59 years	1,145	378	581	151	0	0	2,255
60 - 64 years	977	390	573	150	0	0	2,090
Total	14,433	5,279	5,661	1,223	14	6	26,616
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,713	678	696	558	0	0	3,645
20 - 24 years	2,871	1,457	1,567	1,604	913	855	9,267
25 - 34 years	4,264	2,043	2,583	2,952	1,545	3,056	16,443
35 - 44 years	3,063	1,311	1,950	2,325	1,430	3,581	13,660
45 - 54 years	2,047	776	1,195	1,855	1,306	4,137	11,316
55 - 59 years	727	222	332	454	341	1,204	3,280
60 - 64 years	489	92	183	277	168	689	1,898
Total	15,174	6,579	8,506	10,025	5,703	13,522	59,509
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	6	1	0	0	0	0	7
20 - 24 years	13	9	3	0	0	1	26
25 - 34 years	29	14	11	6	3	5	68
35 - 44 years	53	41	35	44	16	23	212
45 - 54 years	131	91	132	162	95	137	748
55 - 59 years	138	116	124	133	69	98	678
60 - 64 years	166	139	166	170	84	93	818
Total	536	411	471	515	267	357	2,557

Table 6c Number of Females on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2006

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	151	41	37	0	0	0	229
20 - 24 years	1,963	629	455	46	1	0	3,094
25 - 34 years	5,150	1,562	1,622	422	2	2	8,760
35 - 44 years	4,608	1,347	1,488	519	14	2	7,978
45 - 54 years	3,714	861	855	269	9	4	5,712
55 - 59 years	1,363	307	357	143	2	0	2,172
60 - 64 years	941	260	272	110	3	0	1,586
Total	17,890	5,007	5,086	1,509	31	8	29,531
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,311	616	615	435	0	0	2,977
20 - 24 years	2,201	1,002	857	953	554	523	6,090
25 - 34 years	2,139	817	856	926	437	871	6,046
35 - 44 years	1,247	419	505	580	306	677	3,734
45 - 54 years	1,031	307	354	549	368	922	3,531
55 - 59 years	431	110	122	142	93	257	1,155
60 - 64 years	239	31	48	74	65	127	584
Total	8,599	3,302	3,357	3,659	1,823	3,377	24,117
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	9	1	0	0	0	0	10
20 - 24 years	36	18	13	6	1	0	74
25 - 34 years	249	136	116	125	58	65	749
35 - 44 years	412	328	316	423	299	558	2,336
45 - 54 years	328	284	296	387	207	583	2,085
55 - 59 years	193	125	165	193	88	147	911
60 - 64 years	161	122	126	205	72	88	774
Total	1,388	1,014	1,032	1,339	725	1,441	6,939

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2006

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	4,499	1,766	2,053	1,621	788	1,934	12,661
Females	4,444	1,249	1,280	950	354	777	9,054
Total	8,943	3,015	3,333	2,571	1,142	2,711	21,715
Dublin							
Males	7,205	3,457	4,350	3,550	1,834	3,918	24,314
Females	5,741	2,321	2,358	1,691	656	1,014	13,781
Total	12,946	5,778	6,708	5,241	2,490	4,932	38,095
Mid-East							
Males	2,395	993	1,134	895	441	873	6,731
Females	2,350	858	850	523	190	292	5,063
Total	4,745	1,851	1,984	1,418	631	1,165	11,794
Midland							
Males	2,126	806	1,017	691	356	725	5,721
Females	2,029	771	821	484	166	350	4,621
Total	4,155	1,577	1,838	1,175	522	1,075	10,342
Mid-West							
Males	2,596	1,150	1,226	970	500	1,101	7,543
Females	2,385	803	879	536	257	393	5,253
Total	4,981	1,953	2,105	1,506	757	1,494	12,796
South-East							
Males	4,154	1,439	1,777	1,534	780	1,843	11,527
Females	4,023	1,128	1,212	834	340	695	8,232
Total	8,177	2,567	2,989	2,368	1,120	2,538	19,759
South-West							
Males	4,510	1,522	1,756	1,412	741	2,100	12,041
Females	4,309	1,234	1,191	766	308	671	8,479
Total	8,819	2,756	2,947	2,178	1,049	2,771	20,520
West							
Males	2,658	1,136	1,325	1,090	544	1,391	8,144
Females	2,596	959	884	723	308	634	6,104
Total	5,254	2,095	2,209	1,813	852	2,025	14,248
State							
Males	30,143	12,269	14,638	11,763	5,984	13,885	88,682
Females	27,877	9,323	9,475	6,507	2,579	4,826	60,587
Total	58,020	21,592	24,113	18,270	8,563	18,711	149,269

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 City
	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