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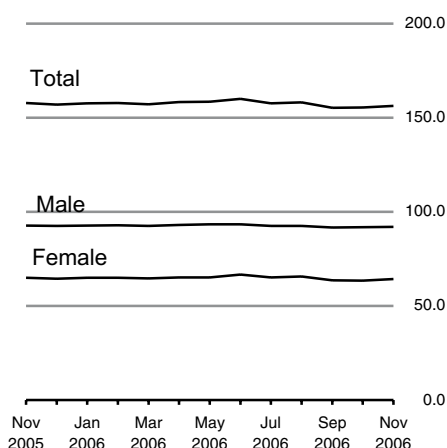
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## Live Register November 2006

### Live Register

Seasonally Adjusted

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	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted
November 2005	150,073	157,800
October 2006	148,506	155,400
November 2006	148,529	156,300
Change in month	+23	+900
Change in year	-1,544	-1,500

### Slight increase in Seasonally Adjusted Live Register in November

The seasonally adjusted Live Register total increased from 155,400 in October to 156,300 in November, an increase of 900. This compares with an increase of 100 in October. *See table 2a and graph opposite.*

In the year to November 2006, there was an unadjusted decrease of 1,544 (-1.0%). This compares with an unadjusted decrease of 1,138 (-0.8%) in the year to October 2006.

Other features include:

- ◆ The monthly increase in the Seasonally Adjusted series was made up of an increase of 100 males and 800 females. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The standardised unemployment rate in November was 4.5%. This compares with 4.5%, the latest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate from 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 7,621 males and 12,317 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 Jobseekers Benefit or Assistance. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest seasonally adjusted figure, for June to August 2006, is 96,500 persons unemployed.

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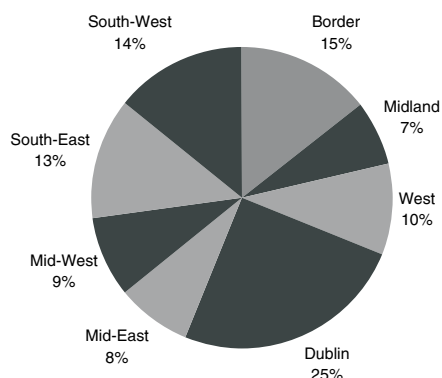
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## Live Register by Regional Authority



	November 2006	Monthly Change	Annual Change
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>			
Border	21,548	+ 22	0
Midland	10,171	- 144	+ 415
West	14,370	+ 227	- 159
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>			
Dublin	37,343	- 491	- 1,616
Mid-East	11,945	+ 145	+ 291
Mid-West	12,792	+ 40	+ 79
South-East	19,471	- 131	- 163
South-West	20,889	+ 355	- 391
<b>Total</b>	<b>148,529</b>	<b>+ 23</b>	<b>- 1,544</b>

## Unadjusted monthly increases in five regions

There was an unadjusted monthly increase of 23 (+0.02%) on the Live Register in November 2006, which reflected increases in five regions. The largest percentage increase was in the South-West (+1.7%) while the largest percentage decrease was in the Midland region (-1.4%).

Other features in the month include:

- ◆ The number of males increased in five regions. The largest percentage increase was in Mid-East region (+1.9%). The largest percentage decrease was in the Dublin region (-0.5%).
- ◆ The number of females increased in three regions. The largest percentage increase was in the South-West region (+2.3%). The largest percentage decrease was in the Dublin region (-2.7%).
- ◆ Amongst counties, the largest percentage increases were in Kerry (+8.8%) and Clare (+2.5%). The largest percentage decreases were in Carlow (-3.4%) and Laoighis (-2.8%). *See tables 4 and 6.*

**Table 1a Total persons on the Live Register**

Category	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	26,962	26,407	26,772	+ 365	- 190
JA Applications <sup>2</sup>	59,734	59,167	59,250	+ 83	- 484
Other Registrants	2,681	2,554	2,561	+ 7	- 120
<b>Total</b>	<b>89,377</b>	<b>88,128</b>	<b>88,583</b>	<b>+ 455</b>	<b>- 794</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	30,166	29,631	29,571	- 60	- 595
JA Applications	23,351	23,821	23,463	- 358	+ 112
Other Registrants	7,179	6,926	6,912	- 14	- 267
<b>Total</b>	<b>60,696</b>	<b>60,378</b>	<b>59,946</b>	<b>- 432</b>	<b>- 750</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	57,128	56,038	56,343	+ 305	- 785
JA Applications	83,085	82,988	82,713	- 275	- 372
Other Registrants	9,860	9,480	9,473	- 7	- 387
<b>Total</b>	<b>150,073</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>148,529</b>	<b>+ 23</b>	<b>- 1,544</b>

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

Category	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	4,344	4,128	3,997	- 131	- 347
JA Applications	12,687	12,780	12,818	+ 38	+ 131
Other Registrants	28	35	37	+ 2	+ 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,059</b>	<b>16,943</b>	<b>16,852</b>	<b>- 91</b>	<b>- 207</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	3,151	3,258	3,038	- 220	- 113
JA Applications	8,648	8,889	8,646	- 243	- 2
Other Registrants	79	82	82	0	+ 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,878</b>	<b>12,229</b>	<b>11,766</b>	<b>- 463</b>	<b>- 112</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	7,495	7,386	7,035	- 351	- 460
JA Applications	21,335	21,669	21,464	- 205	+ 129
Other Registrants	107	117	119	+ 2	+ 12
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,937</b>	<b>29,172</b>	<b>28,618</b>	<b>- 554</b>	<b>- 319</b>

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

Category	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	22,618	22,279	22,775	+ 496	+ 157
JA Applications	47,047	46,387	46,432	+ 45	- 615
Other Registrants	2,653	2,519	2,524	+ 5	- 129
<b>Total</b>	<b>72,318</b>	<b>71,185</b>	<b>71,731</b>	<b>+ 546</b>	<b>- 587</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	27,015	26,373	26,533	+ 160	- 482
JA Applications	14,703	14,932	14,817	- 115	+ 114
Other Registrants	7,100	6,844	6,830	- 14	- 270
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,818</b>	<b>48,149</b>	<b>48,180</b>	<b>+ 31</b>	<b>- 638</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	49,633	48,652	49,308	+ 656	- 325
JA Applications	61,750	61,319	61,249	- 70	- 501
Other Registrants	9,753	9,363	9,354	- 9	- 399
<b>Total</b>	<b>121,136</b>	<b>119,334</b>	<b>119,911</b>	<b>+ 577</b>	<b>- 1,225</b>

<sup>1</sup> JB (Jobseekers Benefit) previously called UB (Unemployment Benefit).<sup>2</sup> JA (Jobseekers Assistance) previously called UA (Unemployment Assistance).

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series <sup>1</sup>		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2004	November	89,300	62,700	152,000	92,600	66,900	159,500
	December	92,700	66,100	158,800	92,700	67,100	159,800
2005	January	95,200	65,300	160,500	91,900	66,000	157,900
	February	93,900	64,800	158,600	91,300	65,400	156,800
	March	92,800	64,900	157,700	91,800	67,500	159,300
	April	90,600	61,000	151,600	91,300	64,000	155,300
	May	89,800	61,000	150,800	91,800	65,100	156,900
	June	92,100	67,200	159,300	91,800	64,400	156,300
	July	94,100	74,400	168,500	92,000	65,400	157,400
	August	94,700	74,700	169,400	92,300	65,800	158,100
	September	90,200	63,200	153,300	92,100	64,300	156,400
	October	88,700	60,900	149,600	92,500	64,000	156,500
	November	89,400	60,700	150,100	92,700	65,000	157,800
	December	92,400	63,400	155,800	92,500	64,500	157,000
2006	January	95,900	64,200	160,100	92,700	64,900	157,600
	February	95,400	64,300	159,600	92,800	64,900	157,800
	March	93,500	62,100	155,500	92,500	64,700	157,100
	April	92,400	62,100	154,600	93,100	65,200	158,300
	May	91,500	61,100	152,600	93,400	65,100	158,500
	June	93,700	69,300	163,100	93,400	66,600	160,000
	July	94,800	74,200	168,900	92,500	65,100	157,600
	August	95,000	74,600	169,600	92,600	65,600	158,200
	September	89,800	62,500	152,300	91,700	63,600	155,300
	October	88,100	60,400	148,500	91,900	63,500	155,400
	November	88,600	59,900	148,500	92,000	64,300	156,300

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2006 (See Background Notes).

**Table 2b Persons under 25 years of age on the Live Register - Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted**

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series <sup>1</sup>		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2004	November	16,200	12,300	28,500	17,300	13,400	30,700
	December	16,700	12,200	28,900	17,300	13,300	30,600
2005	January	17,900	13,100	31,000	17,200	13,300	30,500
	February	17,900	13,100	31,000	17,200	13,200	30,400
	March	17,700	12,700	30,400	17,400	13,200	30,600
	April	17,200	12,100	29,300	17,400	13,000	30,400
	May	16,900	12,200	29,100	17,500	13,000	30,500
	June	17,900	13,800	31,700	17,600	12,900	30,500
	July	18,400	14,800	33,200	17,400	12,800	30,200
	August	18,500	15,000	33,500	17,600	12,900	30,400
	September	17,500	13,100	30,600	17,700	12,700	30,400
	October	17,000	12,100	29,100	18,100	12,900	31,000
	November	17,100	11,900	28,900	18,200	13,000	31,100
	December	17,300	11,700	29,000	18,000	12,800	30,800
2006	January	18,500	12,700	31,300	17,800	12,900	30,800
	February	18,600	12,900	31,500	17,900	13,000	31,000
	March	18,200	12,600	30,800	17,900	13,100	31,000
	April	17,800	12,400	30,100	18,000	13,200	31,300
	May	17,600	12,400	30,000	18,200	13,200	31,300
	June	18,400	14,200	32,600	18,100	13,300	31,400
	July	18,700	14,800	33,600	17,800	12,800	30,600
	August	18,800	14,900	33,700	17,800	12,800	30,600
	September	17,600	13,200	30,900	17,800	12,800	30,600
	October	16,900	12,200	29,200	18,000	13,000	31,000
	November	16,900	11,800	28,600	18,000	12,900	30,800

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2006 (See Background Notes).

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series <sup>1</sup>		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2004	November	73,100	50,400	123,500	75,300	53,600	128,900
	December	76,000	53,900	129,900	75,400	53,800	129,200
2005	January	77,300	52,200	129,500	74,700	52,700	127,400
	February	76,000	51,700	127,700	74,100	52,200	126,300
	March	75,100	52,200	127,300	74,500	54,300	128,700
	April	73,500	48,900	122,300	73,800	51,000	124,900
	May	72,900	48,800	121,700	74,300	52,100	126,400
	June	74,300	53,300	127,600	74,300	51,500	125,700
	July	75,800	59,600	135,400	74,600	52,600	127,200
	August	76,100	59,800	135,900	74,700	53,000	127,700
	September	72,700	50,100	122,700	74,400	51,500	126,000
	October	71,800	48,700	120,500	74,400	51,100	125,500
	November	72,300	48,800	121,100	74,500	52,100	126,600
	December	75,100	51,800	126,800	74,500	51,700	126,200
2006	January	77,400	51,500	128,900	74,800	52,000	126,800
	February	76,800	51,300	128,100	74,900	51,900	126,800
	March	75,300	49,500	124,700	74,600	51,600	126,200
	April	74,700	49,800	124,500	75,100	52,000	127,100
	May	73,900	48,700	122,600	75,300	51,900	127,200
	June	75,400	55,100	130,400	75,300	53,300	128,600
	July	76,000	59,400	135,400	74,700	52,300	127,000
	August	76,200	59,700	135,900	74,800	52,800	127,600
	September	72,200	49,300	121,500	73,900	50,800	124,700
	October	71,200	48,100	119,300	73,800	50,500	124,300
	November	71,700	48,200	119,900	74,000	51,500	125,500

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2006 (See Background Notes).

**Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates (SUR)<sup>1</sup>**

Month	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
January <sup>2</sup>	4.8	3.7	4.4	4.7	4.5	4.2	4.4
February	4.7	3.7	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4
March	4.5	3.7	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4
April <sup>2</sup>	4.4	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.4
May	4.2	3.9	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.5
June	4.1	3.9	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.5
July <sup>2</sup>	4.0	4.0	4.3	4.8	4.4	4.3	4.5 <sup>3</sup>
August	4.0	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.5
September	3.9	3.9	4.5	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.4
October <sup>2</sup>	3.9	4.0	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.4
November	3.9	4.2	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.5
December	3.8	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	
Annual average	4.2	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.4	

<sup>1</sup> Table contains revised figures.

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

<sup>3</sup> The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (adjusted for seasonality) is: June - August 2006, 4.5%.

**Table 4 Persons on the Live Register classified by Region**

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions <sup>1</sup>	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Males</b>							
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>26,430</b>	<b>26,288</b>	<b>26,461</b>	<b>+ 173</b>	<b>+ 31</b>	<b>5,103</b>	<b>21,358</b>
Border	12,694	12,500	12,548	+ 48	- 146	2,325	10,223
Midland	5,396	5,694	5,670	- 24	+ 274	1,211	4,459
West	8,340	8,094	8,243	+ 149	- 97	1,567	6,676
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>62,947</b>	<b>61,840</b>	<b>62,122</b>	<b>+ 282</b>	<b>- 825</b>	<b>11,749</b>	<b>50,373</b>
Dublin	25,057	24,136	24,017	- 119	-1,040	4,744	19,273
Mid-East	6,573	6,732	6,863	+ 131	+ 290	1,258	5,605
Mid-West	7,386	7,521	7,652	+ 131	+ 266	1,500	6,152
South-East	11,464	11,424	11,403	- 21	- 61	2,253	9,150
South-West	12,467	12,027	12,187	+ 160	- 280	1,994	10,193
<b>Total</b>	<b>89,377</b>	<b>88,128</b>	<b>88,583</b>	<b>+ 455</b>	<b>- 794</b>	<b>16,852</b>	<b>71,731</b>
<b>Females</b>							
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>19,403</b>	<b>19,696</b>	<b>19,628</b>	<b>- 68</b>	<b>+ 225</b>	<b>4,043</b>	<b>15,585</b>
Border	8,854	9,026	9,000	- 26	+ 146	1,844	7,156
Midland	4,360	4,621	4,501	- 120	+ 141	1,058	3,443
West	6,189	6,049	6,127	+ 78	- 62	1,141	4,986
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>41,293</b>	<b>40,682</b>	<b>40,318</b>	<b>- 364</b>	<b>- 975</b>	<b>7,723</b>	<b>32,595</b>
Dublin	13,902	13,698	13,326	- 372	- 576	2,667	10,659
Mid-East	5,081	5,068	5,082	+ 14	+ 1	847	4,235
Mid-West	5,327	5,231	5,140	- 91	- 187	1,093	4,047
South-East	8,170	8,178	8,068	- 110	- 102	1,660	6,408
South-West	8,813	8,507	8,702	+ 195	- 111	1,456	7,246
<b>Total</b>	<b>60,696</b>	<b>60,378</b>	<b>59,946</b>	<b>- 432</b>	<b>- 750</b>	<b>11,766</b>	<b>48,180</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>45,833</b>	<b>45,984</b>	<b>46,089</b>	<b>+ 105</b>	<b>+ 256</b>	<b>9,146</b>	<b>36,943</b>
Border	21,548	21,526	21,548	+ 22	0	4,169	17,379
Midland	9,756	10,315	10,171	- 144	+ 415	2,269	7,902
West	14,529	14,143	14,370	+ 227	- 159	2,708	11,662
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>104,240</b>	<b>102,522</b>	<b>102,440</b>	<b>- 82</b>	<b>-1,800</b>	<b>19,472</b>	<b>82,968</b>
Dublin	38,959	37,834	37,343	- 491	-1,616	7,411	29,932
Mid-East	11,654	11,800	11,945	+ 145	+ 291	2,105	9,840
Mid-West	12,713	12,752	12,792	+ 40	+ 79	2,593	10,199
South-East	19,634	19,602	19,471	- 131	- 163	3,913	15,558
South-West	21,280	20,534	20,889	+ 355	- 391	3,450	17,439
<b>Total</b>	<b>150,073</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>148,529</b>	<b>+ 23</b>	<b>-1,544</b>	<b>28,618</b>	<b>119,911</b>

<sup>1</sup> The composition of the regions is described in the Background Notes.

**Table 5 Persons on the Live Register classified by Province**

Provinces	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Provinces</b>							
Leinster	77,329	77,073	76,496	- 577	- 833	15,075	61,421
Munster	42,941	42,104	42,416	+ 312	- 525	7,840	34,576
Connacht	17,427	17,049	17,250	+ 201	- 177	3,268	13,982
Ulster	12,376	12,280	12,367	+ 87	- 9	2,435	9,932
<b>Total</b>	<b>150,073</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>148,529</b>	<b>+ 23</b>	<b>-1,544</b>	<b>28,618</b>	<b>119,911</b>

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

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>45,833</b>	<b>45,984</b>	<b>46,089</b>	<b>5,103</b>	<b>21,358</b>	<b>26,461</b>	<b>4,043</b>	<b>15,585</b>	<b>19,628</b>
<b>Border</b>	<b>21,548</b>	<b>21,526</b>	<b>21,548</b>	<b>2,325</b>	<b>10,223</b>	<b>12,548</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>7,156</b>	<b>9,000</b>
Cavan	2,184	2,184	2,180	211	1,004	1,215	187	778	965
Ballyconnell <sup>1</sup>	430	434	424	29	205	234	39	151	190
Cavan	1,754	1,750	1,756	182	799	981	148	627	775
Donegal	8,202	8,153	8,254	947	3,880	4,827	751	2,676	3,427
Ballybofey	698	724	742	125	324	449	108	185	293
Ballyshannon	464	482	532	65	200	265	58	209	267
Buncrana	1,479	1,590	1,540	145	712	857	184	499	683
Donegal	390	484	511	44	195	239	26	246	272
Dunfanaghy	794	733	776	104	371	475	48	253	301
Dungloe	1,309	1,173	1,206	104	630	734	45	427	472
Killybegs	825	787	777	53	390	443	54	280	334
Letterkenny	2,243	2,180	2,170	307	1,058	1,365	228	577	805
Leitrim	1,040	1,093	1,104	97	484	581	94	429	523
Carrick-on-Shannon	758	785	801	75	332	407	75	319	394
Manorhamilton	282	308	303	22	152	174	19	110	129
Louth	6,274	6,340	6,301	670	3,078	3,748	504	2,049	2,553
Ardee	752	728	731	79	303	382	60	289	349
Drogheda	3,012	3,055	3,044	292	1,444	1,736	252	1,056	1,308
Dundalk	2,510	2,557	2,526	299	1,331	1,630	192	704	896
Monaghan	1,990	1,943	1,933	167	893	1,060	172	701	873
Carrickmacross	533	500	485	17	200	217	37	231	268
Castleblayney	600	611	601	53	278	331	61	209	270
Clones	230	210	212	26	101	127	21	64	85
Monaghan	627	622	635	71	314	385	53	197	250
Sligo	1,858	1,813	1,776	233	884	1,117	136	523	659
Sligo	1,526	1,479	1,447	200	736	936	109	402	511
Tubbercurry	332	334	329	33	148	181	27	121	148
<b>Midland</b>	<b>9,756</b>	<b>10,315</b>	<b>10,171</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>4,459</b>	<b>5,670</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>3,443</b>	<b>4,501</b>
Laoighis	1,894	1,984	1,928	242	816	1,058	200	670	870
Portarlinton	717	786	779	111	308	419	79	281	360
Portlaoise	878	863	817	94	357	451	81	285	366
Rathdowney	299	335	332	37	151	188	40	104	144
Longford	1,741	1,931	1,906	216	870	1,086	191	629	820
Longford	1,741	1,931	1,906	216	870	1,086	191	629	820
Offaly	2,634	2,748	2,721	316	1,271	1,587	293	841	1,134
Birr	831	847	825	96	373	469	88	268	356
Edenderry	646	674	661	67	336	403	55	203	258
Tullamore	1,157	1,227	1,235	153	562	715	150	370	520
Westmeath	3,487	3,652	3,616	437	1,502	1,939	374	1,303	1,677
Athlone	1,391	1,447	1,404	173	602	775	158	471	629
Castlepollard	350	387	397	39	170	209	37	151	188
Mullingar	1,746	1,818	1,815	225	730	955	179	681	860
<b>West</b>	<b>14,529</b>	<b>14,143</b>	<b>14,370</b>	<b>1,567</b>	<b>6,676</b>	<b>8,243</b>	<b>1,141</b>	<b>4,986</b>	<b>6,127</b>
Galway	8,431	8,441	8,607	975	4,007	4,982	708	2,917	3,625
Ballinasloe	878	872	845	111	390	501	69	275	344
Clifden	735	619	664	73	326	399	51	214	265
Galway	4,730	4,733	4,811	596	2,293	2,889	428	1,494	1,922
Gort	441	464	482	36	180	216	21	245	266
Loughrea	635	679	720	62	318	380	59	281	340
Tuam	1,012	1,074	1,085	97	500	597	80	408	488

<sup>1</sup> Ballyconnell replaces previous office Belturbet with effect from September 2006.

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

-continued				Males			Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	4,947	4,478	4,537	457	2,110	2,567	341	1,629	1,970
Achill	254	201	211	17	123	140	12	59	71
Ballina	1,373	1,280	1,281	160	637	797	109	375	484
Ballinrobe	326	357	364	31	138	169	35	160	195
Belmullet	532	464	445	34	230	264	32	149	181
Castlebar	827	731	711	65	301	366	54	291	345
Claremorris	413	369	381	22	174	196	20	165	185
Swinford	575	594	628	87	246	333	61	234	295
Westport	647	482	516	41	261	302	18	196	214
Roscommon	1,151	1,224	1,226	135	559	694	92	440	532
Boyle	320	364	359	39	156	195	22	142	164
Castlereagh	509	545	528	54	251	305	46	177	223
Roscommon	322	315	339	42	152	194	24	121	145
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>104,240</b>	<b>102,522</b>	<b>102,440</b>	<b>11,749</b>	<b>50,373</b>	<b>62,122</b>	<b>7,723</b>	<b>32,595</b>	<b>40,318</b>
<b>Dublin</b>	<b>38,959</b>	<b>37,834</b>	<b>37,343</b>	<b>4,744</b>	<b>19,273</b>	<b>24,017</b>	<b>2,667</b>	<b>10,659</b>	<b>13,326</b>
Dublin	38,959	37,834	37,343	4,744	19,273	24,017	2,667	10,659	13,326
Bishop Square	3,308	3,264	3,163	325	1,826	2,151	154	858	1,012
Cumberland Street	5,126	4,697	4,586	604	2,313	2,917	304	1,365	1,669
Navan Road	2,559	2,361	2,310	253	1,313	1,566	165	579	744
Blanchardstown	3,419	3,329	3,210	376	1,520	1,896	272	1,042	1,314
Thomas Street	2,166	1,982	2,010	232	1,214	1,446	126	438	564
Tara Street	1,142	1,095	1,087	108	628	736	53	298	351
Tallaght	3,176	3,334	3,314	542	1,666	2,208	274	832	1,106
Ballymun	1,498	1,492	1,455	248	729	977	132	346	478
Clondalkin	3,416	3,351	3,322	551	1,539	2,090	357	875	1,232
Rathfarnham	1,704	1,663	1,628	140	777	917	78	633	711
Kilbarrack	2,197	2,058	2,074	188	1,099	1,287	99	688	787
Dun Laoghaire	2,316	2,268	2,290	184	1,213	1,397	83	810	893
Balbriggan	1,251	1,340	1,343	134	630	764	79	500	579
Ballyfermot	1,258	1,227	1,214	228	607	835	125	254	379
Finglas	2,184	2,147	2,153	341	1,100	1,441	175	537	712
Coolock	2,239	2,226	2,184	290	1,099	1,389	191	604	795
<b>Mid-East</b>	<b>11,654</b>	<b>11,800</b>	<b>11,945</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>5,605</b>	<b>6,863</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>4,235</b>	<b>5,082</b>
Kildare	4,459	4,950	5,010	528	2,275	2,803	374	1,833	2,207
Athy	830	860	917	112	441	553	62	302	364
Maynooth	1,324	1,422	1,410	144	599	743	100	567	667
Newbridge	2,305	2,668	2,683	272	1,235	1,507	212	964	1,176
Meath	2,900	2,853	2,862	290	1,279	1,569	214	1,079	1,293
Kells	535	541	520	49	235	284	49	187	236
Navan	1,631	1,501	1,499	170	703	873	105	521	626
Trim	734	811	843	71	341	412	60	371	431
Wicklow	4,295	3,997	4,073	440	2,051	2,491	259	1,323	1,582
Arklow	1,222	1,173	1,195	144	590	734	77	384	461
Baltinglass	408	431	440	51	191	242	48	150	198
Bray	1,811	1,629	1,651	153	859	1,012	87	552	639
Wicklow	854	764	787	92	411	503	47	237	284
<b>Mid-West</b>	<b>12,713</b>	<b>12,752</b>	<b>12,792</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>6,152</b>	<b>7,652</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>4,047</b>	<b>5,140</b>
Clare	3,771	3,712	3,806	364	1,754	2,118	275	1,413	1,688
Ennis	2,216	2,198	2,225	237	994	1,231	150	844	994
Ennistymon	589	546	584	35	271	306	40	238	278
Kilrush	572	541	569	58	294	352	52	165	217
Tulla	394	427	428	34	195	229	33	166	199
Limerick	6,753	6,888	6,889	908	3,456	4,364	641	1,884	2,525
Kilmallock	757	811	819	95	394	489	82	248	330
Limerick	5,113	5,205	5,088	717	2,571	3,288	464	1,336	1,800
Newcastle West	883	872	982	96	491	587	95	300	395



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-continued				Males			Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	November 2005	October 2006	November 2006	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
North Tipperary	2,189	2,152	2,097	228	942	1,170	177	750	927
Nenagh	835	788	785	67	342	409	63	313	376
Roscrea	462	430	422	34	183	217	32	173	205
Thurles	892	934	890	127	417	544	82	264	346
<b>South-East</b>	<b>19,634</b>	<b>19,602</b>	<b>19,471</b>	<b>2,253</b>	<b>9,150</b>	<b>11,403</b>	<b>1,660</b>	<b>6,408</b>	<b>8,068</b>
Carlow	1,973	1,933	1,867	231	849	1,080	175	612	787
Bagenalstown	463	442	415	45	188	233	41	141	182
Carlow	1,068	1,035	1,008	148	476	624	88	296	384
Tullow	442	456	444	38	185	223	46	175	221
Kilkenny	2,329	2,498	2,479	296	1,209	1,505	210	764	974
Kilkenny	1,935	2,101	2,085	248	1,036	1,284	182	619	801
Thomastown	394	397	394	48	173	221	28	145	173
South Tipperary	3,056	2,848	2,841	371	1,326	1,697	274	870	1,144
Cahir	400	341	359	40	159	199	37	123	160
Carrick-on-Suir	860	891	886	76	464	540	64	282	346
Cashel	309	298	300	47	119	166	29	105	134
Clonmel	869	833	813	137	365	502	90	221	311
Tipperary	618	485	483	71	219	290	54	139	193
Waterford	5,892	5,970	5,894	711	2,899	3,610	441	1,843	2,284
Dungarvan	965	972	957	91	493	584	59	314	373
Waterford	4,927	4,998	4,937	620	2,406	3,026	382	1,529	1,911
Wexford	6,384	6,353	6,390	644	2,867	3,511	560	2,319	2,879
Enniscorthy	1,680	1,657	1,651	201	770	971	168	512	680
Gorey	1,122	1,151	1,150	119	490	609	85	456	541
New Ross	1,164	1,189	1,174	112	522	634	104	436	540
Wexford	2,418	2,356	2,415	212	1,085	1,297	203	915	1,118
<b>South-West</b>	<b>21,280</b>	<b>20,534</b>	<b>20,889</b>	<b>1,994</b>	<b>10,193</b>	<b>12,187</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>7,246</b>	<b>8,702</b>
Cork	14,990	14,717	14,561	1,431	7,247	8,678	1,007	4,876	5,883
Bandon	486	485	471	44	234	278	28	165	193
Bantry	320	314	338	18	127	145	20	173	193
Bantry (SWLO)	145	114	122	6	45	51	2	69	71
Carrigaline <sup>2</sup>	693	625	616	52	302	354	30	232	262
Clonakilty	433	442	438	22	192	214	19	205	224
Cobh	391	343	350	44	158	202	38	110	148
Cork	7,194	7,071	6,906	843	3,692	4,535	515	1,856	2,371
Dunmanway	202	213	212	17	76	93	16	103	119
Fermoy	863	873	872	94	412	506	65	301	366
Kinsale	633	580	586	24	238	262	28	296	324
Macroom	401	414	396	28	184	212	31	153	184
Mallow	695	694	695	68	393	461	51	183	234
Midleton	1,099	1,032	1,028	58	489	547	78	403	481
Newmarket	415	472	476	48	227	275	24	177	201
Skibbereen	382	335	351	24	146	170	13	168	181
Youghal	638	710	704	41	332	373	49	282	331
Kerry	6,290	5,817	6,328	563	2,946	3,509	449	2,370	2,819
Cahiriveen	373	328	351	16	139	155	16	180	196
Dingle	309	244	282	15	116	131	19	132	151
Kenmare	208	151	256	14	101	115	15	126	141
Killarney	1,170	845	1,031	96	412	508	65	458	523
Killorglin	418	384	425	20	182	202	26	197	223
Listowel	942	985	1,013	112	497	609	99	305	404
Tralee	2,870	2,880	2,970	290	1,499	1,789	209	972	1,181
<b>State</b>	<b>150,073</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>148,529</b>	<b>16,852</b>	<b>71,731</b>	<b>88,583</b>	<b>11,766</b>	<b>48,180</b>	<b>59,946</b>

<sup>2</sup> Carrigaline replaces previous office Passage West with effect from November 2006.

**Table 7 Summary of average net weekly changes on the Live Register classified by sex**

		Number of weeks	Males		Females		Total	
			Live Register	Average net weekly change	Live Register	Average net weekly change	Live Register	Average net weekly change
2004	November	4	89,303	- 208	62,663	- 670	151,966	- 878
	December	5	92,707	+ 681	66,109	+ 689	158,816	+ 1,370
2005	January	4	95,207	+ 625	65,336	- 193	160,543	+ 432
	February	4	93,883	- 331	64,766	- 143	158,649	- 474
	March	4	92,786	- 274	64,889	+ 31	157,675	- 244
	April	5	90,623	- 433	60,996	- 779	151,619	- 1,211
	May	4	89,780	- 211	61,046	+ 13	150,826	- 198
	June	4	92,145	+ 591	67,155	+ 1,527	159,300	+ 2,119
	July	5	94,124	+ 396	74,385	+ 1,446	168,509	+ 1,842
	August	4	94,672	+ 137	74,721	+ 84	169,393	+ 221
	September	5	90,179	- 899	63,156	- 2,313	153,335	- 3,212
	October	4	88,749	- 358	60,895	- 565	149,644	- 923
	November	4	89,377	+ 157	60,696	- 50	150,073	+ 107
	December	5	92,392	+ 603	63,441	+ 549	155,833	+ 1,152
2006	January	4	95,920	+ 882	64,219	+ 195	160,139	+ 1,077
	February	4	95,363	- 139	64,254	+ 9	159,617	- 131
	March	5	93,461	- 380	62,082	- 434	155,543	- 815
	April	4	92,419	- 261	62,147	+ 16	154,566	- 244
	May	4	91,492	- 232	61,068	- 270	152,560	- 502
	June	5	93,747	+ 451	69,312	+ 1,649	163,059	+ 2,100
	July	4	94,750	+ 251	74,196	+ 1,221	168,946	+ 1,472
	August	4	95,026	+ 69	74,588	+ 98	169,614	+ 167
	September	5	89,810	- 1,043	62,497	- 2,418	152,307	- 3,461
	October	4	88,128	- 421	60,378	- 530	148,506	- 950
	November	4	88,583	+ 114	59,946	- 108	148,529	+ 6

## 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 and Family Affairs. It comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:

- ◆ All Claimants for Jobseekers Benefit (JB) excluding systematic short-time workers
- ◆ Applicants for Jobseekers Assistance (JA) excluding smallholders/farm assists and other self-employed persons
- ◆ Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.

**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 Jobseekers Assistance or Jobseekers 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 January, April, July and October of each year are calculated using seasonally adjusted data from the Quarterly National Household Survey. The monthly trend in the seasonally adjusted Live Register is then 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 (adjusted for seasonality) are:

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	%	%	%	%
1998	8.7	8.0	7.2	6.5
1999	5.9	5.9	5.4	5.1
2000	4.8	4.4	4.0	3.9
2001	3.7	3.8	4.0	4.0
2002	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.6
2003	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.5
2004	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.3
2005	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.4
2006	4.4	4.4	4.5	

**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.

**Casual and part-time workers** The casual and part-time workers' figure is based on an estimate supplied by the Department of Social and Family Affairs. People may apply for Jobseekers Benefit/Assistance if they only work for part of a week and be included on the Live Register.

**Live Register Area Analysis** The basis of the area classification used in this release is the Department of Social 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.

#### **Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region**

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

#### **Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region**

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