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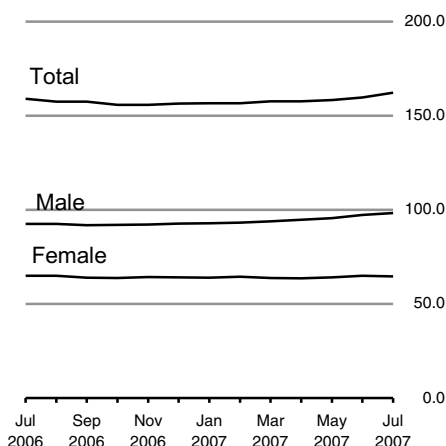
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## Live Register July 2007

### Live Register

Seasonally Adjusted

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	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted
July 2006	168,946	157,500
June 2007	166,363	162,200
July 2007	174,593	163,000
Change in month	+8,230	+800
Change in year	+5,647	+5,500

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

The seasonally adjusted Live Register total increased from 162,200 in June to 163,000 in July, an increase of 800. This compares with an increase of 2,500 in June. *See table 2a and graph opposite.*

In the year to July 2007, there was an unadjusted increase of 5,647 (+3.3%). This compares with an unadjusted increase of 3,304 (+2.0%) in the year to June 2007.

Other features include:

- ◆ The monthly increase in the Seasonally Adjusted series consisted of an increase of 1,100 males and a decrease of 300 females. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The standardised unemployment rate in July was 4.6%. This compares with 4.4%, 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 7,950 males and 11,843 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 Allowance. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest seasonally adjusted figure, for December to February 2007, is 96,200 persons unemployed.

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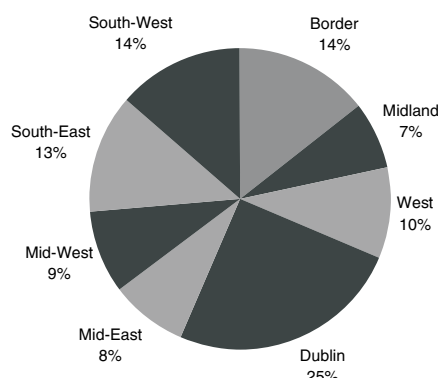
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## Live Register by Regional Authority



	July 2007	Monthly Change	Annual Change
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>54,887</b>	<b>+ 2,547</b>	<b>+ 2,808</b>
Border	25,184	+ 984	+ 688
Midland	12,499	+ 713	+ 1,166
West	17,204	+ 850	+ 954
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>119,706</b>	<b>+ 5,683</b>	<b>+ 2,839</b>
Dublin	43,618	+ 1,673	- 64
Mid-East	14,499	+ 881	+ 1,077
Mid-West	15,419	+ 860	+ 616
South-East	22,492	+ 1,031	+ 402
South-West	23,678	+ 1,238	+ 808
<b>Total</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>+ 8,230</b>	<b>+ 5,647</b>

## Unadjusted monthly increases in all regions

There was an unadjusted monthly increase of 8,230 (+4.9%) on the Live Register in July 2007, which reflected increases in all regions. The largest percentage increase was in the Mid-East region (+6.5%) while the smallest percentage increase was in the Dublin region (+4.0%).

Other features in the month include:

- ◆ The number of males increased in all regions. The largest percentage increase was in the Midland region (+4.2%), while the smallest percentage increase was in the Dublin region (+1.3%).
- ◆ The number of females increased in all regions. The largest percentage increase was in the Mid-East region (+10.4%) while the smallest percentage increase was in the Border region (+5.9%).
- ◆ Amongst counties, the largest percentage increases were in Longford and Carlow (both +8.8%). The smallest percentage increases were in Donegal (+2.4%) and Waterford (+2.9%). *See tables 4 and 6.*

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

Category	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	29,336	31,968	33,571	+ 1,603	+ 4,235
JA Applications	62,744	63,550	64,573	- 1,023	+ 1,829
Other Registrants	2,670	2,444	2,499	+ 55	- 171
<b>Total</b>	<b>94,750</b>	<b>97,962</b>	<b>100,643</b>	<b>+ 2,681</b>	<b>+ 5,893</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	39,261	35,444	39,511	+ 4,067	+ 250
JA Applications	27,185	26,093	27,008	+ 915	- 177
Other Registrants	7,750	6,864	7,431	+ 567	- 319
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,196</b>	<b>68,401</b>	<b>73,950</b>	<b>+ 5,549</b>	<b>- 246</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	68,597	67,412	73,082	+ 5,670	+ 4,485
JA Applications	89,929	89,643	91,581	+ 1,938	+ 1,652
Other Registrants	10,420	9,308	9,930	+ 622	- 490
<b>Total</b>	<b>168,946</b>	<b>166,363</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>+ 8,230</b>	<b>+ 5,647</b>

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

Category	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	4,856	5,406	5,783	+ 377	+ 927
JA Applications	13,832	14,300	14,722	+ 422	+ 890
Other Registrants	41	46	47	+ 1	+ 6
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,729</b>	<b>19,752</b>	<b>20,552</b>	<b>+ 800</b>	<b>+ 1,823</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	4,268	4,087	4,318	+ 231	+ 50
JA Applications	10,455	9,945	10,360	+ 415	- 95
Other Registrants	109	88	103	+ 15	- 6
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,832</b>	<b>14,120</b>	<b>14,781</b>	<b>+ 661</b>	<b>- 51</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	9,124	9,493	10,101	+ 608	+ 977
JA Applications	24,287	24,245	25,082	+ 837	+ 795
Other Registrants	150	134	150	+ 16	+ 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,561</b>	<b>33,872</b>	<b>35,333</b>	<b>+ 1,461</b>	<b>+ 1,772</b>

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

Category	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	24,480	26,562	27,788	+ 1,226	+ 3,308
JA Applications	48,912	49,250	49,851	+ 601	+ 939
Other Registrants	2,629	2,398	2,452	+ 54	- 177
<b>Total</b>	<b>76,021</b>	<b>78,210</b>	<b>80,091</b>	<b>+ 1,881</b>	<b>+ 4,070</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	34,993	31,357	35,193	+ 3,836	+ 200
JA Applications	16,730	16,148	16,648	+ 500	- 82
Other Registrants	7,641	6,776	7,328	+ 552	- 313
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,364</b>	<b>54,281</b>	<b>59,169</b>	<b>+ 4,888</b>	<b>- 195</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	59,473	57,919	62,981	+ 5,062	+ 3,508
JA Applications	65,642	65,398	66,499	+ 1,101	+ 857
Other Registrants	10,270	9,174	9,780	+ 606	- 490
<b>Total</b>	<b>135,385</b>	<b>132,491</b>	<b>139,260</b>	<b>+ 6,769</b>	<b>+ 3,875</b>

**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
2005	July	94,100	74,400	168,500	91,900	65,300	157,200
	August	94,700	74,700	169,400	92,200	65,300	157,500
	September	90,200	63,200	153,300	92,300	64,500	156,800
	October	88,700	60,900	149,600	92,600	64,200	156,800
	November	89,400	60,700	150,100	92,900	65,100	157,900
	December	92,400	63,400	155,800	92,500	64,600	157,100
2006	January	95,900	64,200	160,100	92,800	65,100	157,900
	February	95,400	64,300	159,600	92,900	65,000	157,900
	March	93,500	62,100	155,500	92,500	64,800	157,300
	April	92,400	62,100	154,600	93,000	65,600	158,600
	May	91,500	61,100	152,600	93,200	65,100	158,300
	June	93,700	69,300	163,100	93,000	65,900	159,000
	July	94,800	74,200	168,900	92,500	65,000	157,500
	August	95,000	74,600	169,600	92,500	65,000	157,500
	September	89,800	62,500	152,300	91,900	63,900	155,800
	October	88,100	60,400	148,500	92,000	63,800	155,700
	November	88,600	59,900	148,500	92,100	64,300	156,500
	December	92,500	62,900	155,400	92,700	64,100	156,700
2007	January	95,800	62,900	158,800	92,800	63,900	156,600
	February	95,600	63,800	159,400	93,200	64,500	157,700
	March	94,800	61,100	155,900	93,900	63,800	157,700
	April	94,100	60,200	154,300	94,800	63,600	158,400
	May	93,800	60,200	154,000	95,500	64,200	159,700
	June	98,000	68,400	166,400	97,200	65,000	162,200
	July	100,600	74,000	174,600	98,300	64,700	163,000

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2007 (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
2005	July	18,400	14,800	33,200	17,500	12,900	30,300
	August	18,500	15,000	33,500	17,600	12,900	30,500
	September	17,500	13,100	30,600	17,700	12,700	30,500
	October	17,000	12,100	29,100	18,000	12,900	30,900
	November	17,100	11,900	28,900	18,200	13,000	31,100
	December	17,300	11,700	29,000	17,900	12,800	30,800
2006	January	18,500	12,700	31,300	17,900	12,900	30,800
	February	18,600	12,900	31,500	18,000	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	31,100
	May	17,600	12,400	30,000	18,100	13,100	31,200
	June	18,400	14,200	32,600	18,000	13,300	31,300
	July	18,700	14,800	33,600	17,900	12,900	30,800
	August	18,800	14,900	33,700	17,900	12,800	30,700
	September	17,600	13,200	30,900	17,800	12,900	30,700
	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
	December	17,500	11,600	29,100	18,100	12,800	30,900
2007	January	18,600	12,500	31,100	18,000	12,700	30,700
	February	18,600	12,500	31,100	18,100	12,600	30,600
	March	18,600	12,200	30,800	18,300	12,600	31,000
	April	18,500	12,000	30,500	18,700	12,800	31,500
	May	18,400	12,200	30,600	18,900	12,900	31,800
	June	19,800	14,100	33,900	19,300	13,200	32,500
	July	20,600	14,800	35,300	19,700	12,900	32,500

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2007 (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
2005	July	75,800	59,600	135,400	74,500	52,400	126,900
	August	76,100	59,800	135,900	74,600	52,400	127,000
	September	72,700	50,100	122,700	74,500	51,800	126,300
	October	71,800	48,700	120,500	74,500	51,400	125,900
	November	72,300	48,800	121,100	74,700	52,100	126,800
	December	75,100	51,800	126,800	74,600	51,800	126,300
2006	January	77,400	51,500	128,900	74,900	52,200	127,100
	February	76,800	51,300	128,100	74,900	51,900	126,800
	March	75,300	49,500	124,700	74,600	51,800	126,400
	April	74,700	49,800	124,500	75,100	52,400	127,500
	May	73,900	48,700	122,600	75,100	52,000	127,100
	June	75,400	55,100	130,400	75,000	52,600	127,700
	July	76,000	59,400	135,400	74,600	52,100	126,700
	August	76,200	59,700	135,900	74,600	52,200	126,800
	September	72,200	49,300	121,500	74,100	51,100	125,100
	October	71,200	48,100	119,300	74,000	50,800	124,800
	November	71,700	48,200	119,900	74,200	51,500	125,600
	December	75,000	51,300	126,300	74,500	51,300	125,800
2007	January	77,200	50,500	127,600	74,700	51,200	125,900
	February	77,000	51,300	128,300	75,200	51,900	127,100
	March	76,200	48,900	125,100	75,500	51,200	126,700
	April	75,600	48,200	123,800	76,100	50,800	126,900
	May	75,500	48,000	123,400	76,600	51,200	127,800
	June	78,200	54,300	132,500	77,900	51,800	129,700
	July	80,100	59,200	139,300	78,700	51,800	130,500

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2007 (See Background Notes).

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

Month	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
January <sup>2</sup>	3.7	4.4	4.7	4.5	4.2	4.4	4.4 <sup>3</sup>
February	3.7	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.4
March	3.7	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4
April <sup>2</sup>	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.5
May	3.9	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.5
June	3.9	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.6
July <sup>2</sup>	4.0	4.3	4.8	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.6
August	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.4	
September	3.9	4.5	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.2	
October <sup>2</sup>	4.0	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.1	
November	4.2	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.3	
December	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.3	
Annual average	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.4	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: December - February 2007, 4.4%.

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

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions¹	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007		Monthly change		Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Males</b>									
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>28,222</b>	<b>29,838</b>	<b>30,797</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,575</b>	<b>6,445</b>	<b>24,352</b>
Border	13711	13947	14325	+	378	+	614	2884	11,441
Midland	5774	6567	6843	+	276	+	1,069	1558	5,285
West	8737	9324	9629	+	305	+	892	2003	7,626
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>66,528</b>	<b>68,124</b>	<b>69,846</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>1,722</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>3,318</b>	<b>14,107</b>	<b>55,739</b>
Dublin	26,422	26,499	26,841	+	342	+	419	5,512	21,329
Mid-East	7,122	7,855	8,139	+	284	+	1,017	1,581	6,558
Mid-West	8,110	8,431	8,671	+	240	+	561	1,825	6,846
South-East	12,145	12,178	12,553	+	375	+	408	2,609	9,944
South-West	12,729	13,161	13,642	+	481	+	913	2,580	11,062
<b>Total</b>	<b>94,750</b>	<b>97,962</b>	<b>100,643</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,681</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>5,893</b>	<b>20,552</b>	<b>80,091</b>
<b>Females</b>									
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>23,857</b>	<b>22,502</b>	<b>24,090</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>1,588</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>5,140</b>	<b>18,950</b>
Border	10,785	10,253	10,859	+	606	+	74	2,319	8,540
Midland	5,559	5,219	5,656	+	437	+	97	1,293	4,363
West	7,513	7,030	7,575	+	545	+	62	1,528	6,047
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>50,339</b>	<b>45,899</b>	<b>49,860</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>3,961</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>9,641</b>	<b>40,219</b>
Dublin	17,260	15,446	16,777	+	1,331	-	483	3,308	13,469
Mid-East	6,300	5,763	6,360	+	597	+	60	1,025	5,335
Mid-West	6,693	6,128	6,748	+	620	+	55	1,386	5,362
South-East	9,945	9,283	9,939	+	656	-	6	2,137	7,802
South-West	10,141	9,279	10,036	+	757	-	105	1,785	8,251
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,196</b>	<b>68,401</b>	<b>73,950</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>5,549</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>14,781</b>	<b>59,169</b>
<b>All Persons</b>									
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>52,079</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>54,887</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,547</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,808</b>	<b>11,585</b>	<b>43,302</b>
Border	24,496	24,200	25,184	+	984	+	688	5,203	19,981
Midland	11,333	11,786	12,499	+	713	+	1,166	2,851	9,648
West	16,250	16,354	17,204	+	850	+	954	3,531	13,673
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>116,867</b>	<b>114,023</b>	<b>119,706</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>5,683</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,839</b>	<b>23,748</b>	<b>95,958</b>
Dublin	43,682	41,945	43,618	+	1,673	-	64	8,820	34,798
Mid-East	13,422	13,618	14,499	+	881	+	1,077	2,606	11,893
Mid-West	14,803	14,559	15,419	+	860	+	616	3,211	12,208
South-East	22,090	21,461	22,492	+	1,031	+	402	4,746	17,746
South-West	22,870	22,440	23,678	+	1,238	+	808	4,365	19,313
<b>Total</b>	<b>168,946</b>	<b>166,363</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>8,230</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>5,647</b>	<b>35,333</b>	<b>139,260</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	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Provinces</b>							
Leinster	87,405	85,949	90,181	4,232	2,776	18,387	71,794
Munster	47,917	46,823	49,257	2,434	1,340	9,696	39,561
Connacht	19,565	19,684	20,807	1,123	1,242	4,262	16,545
Ulster	14,059	13,907	14,348	441	289	2,988	11,360
<b>Total</b>	<b>168,946</b>	<b>166,363</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>8,230</b>	<b>5,647</b>	<b>35,333</b>	<b>139,260</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				Males			Females		
	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>52,079</b>	<b>52,340</b>	<b>54,887</b>	<b>6,445</b>	<b>24,352</b>	<b>30,797</b>	<b>5,140</b>	<b>18,950</b>	<b>24,090</b>
<b>Border</b>	<b>24,496</b>	<b>24,200</b>	<b>25,184</b>	<b>2,884</b>	<b>11,441</b>	<b>14,325</b>	<b>2,319</b>	<b>8,540</b>	<b>10,859</b>
Cavan	2,451	2,567	2,702	294	1,189	1,483	261	958	1,219
Ballyconnell <sup>1</sup>	487	477	507	37	235	272	52	183	235
Cavan	1,964	2,090	2,195	257	954	1,211	209	775	984
Donegal	9,318	9,056	9,274	1,063	4,155	5,218	898	3,158	4,056
Ballybofey	831	829	888	130	352	482	140	266	406
Ballyshannon	463	515	527	67	207	274	45	208	253
Buncrana	1,843	1,735	1,818	175	815	990	214	614	828
Donegal	494	646	648	55	235	290	43	315	358
Dunfanaghy	776	727	735	112	327	439	51	245	296
Dungloe	1,357	1,244	1,247	105	620	725	57	465	522
Killybegs	969	898	884	61	454	515	51	318	369
Letterkenney	2,585	2,462	2,527	358	1,145	1,503	297	727	1,024
Leitrim	1,211	1,272	1,380	121	629	750	109	521	630
Carrick-on-Shannon	882	929	1,016	84	461	545	75	396	471
Manorhamilton	329	343	364	37	168	205	34	125	159
Louth	7,122	6,963	7,233	861	3,366	4,227	623	2,383	3,006
Ardee	833	813	876	103	366	469	79	328	407
Drogheda	3,327	3,258	3,371	370	1,525	1,895	287	1,189	1,476
Dundalk	2,962	2,892	2,986	388	1,475	1,863	257	866	1,123
Monaghan	2,290	2,284	2,372	236	1,042	1,278	236	858	1,094
Carrickmacross	568	565	601	43	248	291	50	260	310
Castleblayney	699	669	696	77	315	392	84	220	304
Clones	256	251	274	30	119	149	37	88	125
Monaghan	767	799	801	86	360	446	65	290	355
Sligo	2,104	2,058	2,223	309	1,060	1,369	192	662	854
Sligo	1,726	1,689	1,829	271	887	1,158	153	518	671
Tubbercurry	378	369	394	38	173	211	39	144	183
<b>Midland</b>	<b>11,333</b>	<b>11,786</b>	<b>12,499</b>	<b>1,558</b>	<b>5,285</b>	<b>6,843</b>	<b>1,293</b>	<b>4,363</b>	<b>5,656</b>
Laoighis	2,281	2,429	2,600	348	1,071	1,419	262	919	1,181
Portllington	892	969	1,009	147	417	564	94	351	445
Portlaoise	1,014	1,052	1,157	157	465	622	121	414	535
Rathdowney	375	408	434	44	189	233	47	154	201
Longford	2,105	2,146	2,334	309	1,035	1,344	238	752	990
Longford	2,105	2,146	2,334	309	1,035	1,344	238	752	990
Offaly	2,932	3,052	3,208	375	1,435	1,810	344	1,054	1,398
Birr	916	899	931	99	398	497	110	324	434
Edenderry	719	729	800	89	369	458	67	275	342
Tullamore	1,297	1,424	1,477	187	668	855	167	455	622
Westmeath	4,015	4,159	4,357	526	1,744	2,270	449	1,638	2,087
Athlone	1,670	1,695	1,755	206	691	897	197	661	858
Castlepollard	395	433	453	52	176	228	45	180	225
Mullingar	1,950	2,031	2,149	268	877	1,145	207	797	1,004
<b>West</b>	<b>16,250</b>	<b>16,354</b>	<b>17,204</b>	<b>2,003</b>	<b>7,626</b>	<b>9,629</b>	<b>1,528</b>	<b>6,047</b>	<b>7,575</b>
Galway	9,674	9,925	10,400	1,236	4,584	5,820	962	3,618	4,580
Ballinasloe	913	918	987	153	426	579	93	315	408
Clifden	632	593	602	65	305	370	52	180	232
Galway	5,733	5,876	6,125	749	2,759	3,508	615	2,002	2,617
Gort	515	573	615	51	229	280	38	297	335
Loughrea	721	747	800	85	323	408	74	318	392
Tuam	1,160	1,218	1,271	133	542	675	90	506	596

<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	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	5,255	4,980	5,279	579	2,360	2,939	452	1,888	2,340
Achill	226	234	240	27	135	162	12	66	78
Ballina	1,431	1,363	1,421	191	657	848	146	427	573
Ballinrobe	414	351	386	31	154	185	34	167	201
Belmullet	561	511	543	57	279	336	44	163	207
Castlebar	943	886	930	88	347	435	91	404	495
Claremorris	423	413	462	48	209	257	33	172	205
Swinford	695	701	757	96	293	389	67	301	368
Westport	562	521	540	41	286	327	25	188	213
Roscommon	1,321	1,449	1,525	188	682	870	114	541	655
Boyle	362	367	401	41	183	224	24	153	177
Castlerea	591	656	683	87	297	384	56	243	299
Roscommon	368	426	441	60	202	262	34	145	179
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>116,867</b>	<b>114,023</b>	<b>119,706</b>	<b>14,107</b>	<b>55,739</b>	<b>69,846</b>	<b>9,641</b>	<b>40,219</b>	<b>49,860</b>
<b>Dublin</b>	<b>43,682</b>	<b>41,945</b>	<b>43,618</b>	<b>5,512</b>	<b>21,329</b>	<b>26,841</b>	<b>3,308</b>	<b>13,469</b>	<b>16,777</b>
Dublin	43,682	41,945	43,618	5,512	21,329	26,841	3,308	13,469	16,777
Bishop Square	3,884	3,588	3,734	401	1,991	2,392	230	1,112	1,342
Cumberland Street	5,443	5,077	5,309	651	2,618	3,269	392	1,648	2,040
Navan Road	2,742	2,698	2,743	330	1,482	1,812	230	701	931
Blanchardstown	3,800	3,627	3,795	434	1,747	2,181	317	1,297	1,614
Thomas Street	2,261	2,240	2,251	261	1,324	1,585	151	515	666
Tara Street	1,265	1,087	1,114	106	612	718	64	332	396
Tallaght	3,733	3,798	3,990	625	1,878	2,503	372	1,115	1,487
Ballymun	1,590	1,563	1,570	294	749	1,043	157	370	527
Clondalkin	3,786	3,738	3,876	617	1,805	2,422	373	1,081	1,454
Rathfarnham	2,173	1,980	2,086	185	856	1,041	105	940	1,045
Kilbarrack	2,547	2,232	2,358	248	1,134	1,382	127	849	976
Dun Laoghaire	2,774	2,622	2,873	226	1,357	1,583	97	1,193	1,290
Balbriggan	1,462	1,494	1,562	139	717	856	114	592	706
Ballyfermot	1,312	1,361	1,374	244	677	921	153	300	453
Finglas	2,420	2,428	2,478	393	1,180	1,573	213	692	905
Coolock	2,490	2,412	2,505	358	1,202	1,560	213	732	945
<b>Mid-East</b>	<b>13,422</b>	<b>13,618</b>	<b>14,499</b>	<b>1,581</b>	<b>6,558</b>	<b>8,139</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>5,335</b>	<b>6,360</b>
Kildare	5,471	5,827	6,195	676	2,783	3,459	472	2,264	2,736
Athy	935	973	1,006	112	479	591	77	338	415
Maynooth	1,686	1,728	1,810	202	706	908	129	773	902
Newbridge	2,850	3,126	3,379	362	1,598	1,960	266	1,153	1,419
Meath	3,256	3,326	3,568	342	1,569	1,911	252	1,405	1,657
Kells	605	598	632	60	263	323	65	244	309
Navan	1,765	1,818	1,928	191	911	1,102	126	700	826
Trim	886	910	1,008	91	395	486	61	461	522
Wicklow	4,695	4,465	4,736	563	2,206	2,769	301	1,666	1,967
Arklow	1,269	1,306	1,358	167	620	787	90	481	571
Baltinglass	462	486	530	72	224	296	55	179	234
Bray	2,073	1,825	1,954	214	923	1,137	99	718	817
Wicklow	891	848	894	110	439	549	57	288	345
<b>Mid-West</b>	<b>14,803</b>	<b>14,559</b>	<b>15,419</b>	<b>1,825</b>	<b>6,846</b>	<b>8,671</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>5,362</b>	<b>6,748</b>
Clare	4,099	4,130	4,421	472	1,872	2,344	342	1,735	2,077
Ennis	2,523	2,502	2,688	309	1,090	1,399	221	1,068	1,289
Ennistymon	571	573	614	52	280	332	39	243	282
Kilrush	579	609	638	72	280	352	54	232	286
Tulla	426	446	481	39	222	261	28	192	220
Limerick	8,182	7,967	8,421	1,095	3,897	4,992	805	2,624	3,429
Kilmallock	917	884	928	113	413	526	86	316	402
Limerick	6,257	6,020	6,349	860	2,976	3,836	592	1,921	2,513
Newcastle West	1,008	1,063	1,144	122	508	630	127	387	514



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

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	July 2006	June 2007	July 2007	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
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North Tipperary	2,522	2,462	2,577	258	1,077	1,335	239	1,003	1,242
Nenagh	918	919	943	73	399	472	73	398	471
Roscrea	519	479	502	52	223	275	45	182	227
Thurles	1,085	1,064	1,132	133	455	588	121	423	544
<b>South-East</b>	<b>22,090</b>	<b>21,461</b>	<b>22,492</b>	<b>2,609</b>	<b>9,944</b>	<b>12,553</b>	<b>2,137</b>	<b>7,802</b>	<b>9,939</b>
Carlow	2,242	2,303	2,506	292	1,072	1,364	266	876	1,142
Bagenalstown	530	505	562	61	240	301	67	194	261
Carlow	1,192	1,252	1,352	173	613	786	139	427	566
Tullow	520	546	592	58	219	277	60	255	315
Kilkenny	2,757	2,604	2,766	324	1,252	1,576	286	904	1,190
Kilkenny	2,320	2,158	2,296	267	1,052	1,319	247	730	977
Thomastown	437	446	470	57	200	257	39	174	213
South Tipperary	3,457	3,144	3,283	425	1,474	1,899	334	1,050	1,384
Cahir	446	439	456	46	196	242	46	168	214
Carrick-on-Suir	1,010	913	943	98	465	563	76	304	380
Cashel	372	335	368	58	149	207	44	117	161
Clonmel	1,011	899	938	142	409	551	104	283	387
Tipperary	618	558	578	81	255	336	64	178	242
Waterford	6,787	6,680	6,877	812	3,127	3,939	549	2,389	2,938
Dungarvan	1,146	982	1,066	94	492	586	76	404	480
Waterford	5,641	5,698	5,811	718	2,635	3,353	473	1,985	2,458
Wexford	6,847	6,730	7,060	756	3,019	3,775	702	2,583	3,285
Enniscorthy	1,767	1,792	1,843	229	820	1,049	215	579	794
Gorey	1,290	1,253	1,326	126	538	664	125	537	662
New Ross	1,274	1,281	1,367	154	552	706	146	515	661
Wexford	2,516	2,404	2,524	247	1,109	1,356	216	952	1,168
<b>South-West</b>	<b>22,870</b>	<b>22,440</b>	<b>23,678</b>	<b>2,580</b>	<b>11,062</b>	<b>13,642</b>	<b>1,785</b>	<b>8,251</b>	<b>10,036</b>
Cork	16,829	16,311	17,360	1,942	8,168	10,110	1,319	5,931	7,250
Bandon	560	509	534	55	261	316	27	191	218
Bantry	320	300	339	16	135	151	22	166	188
Bantry (SWLO)	150	119	136	3	51	54	3	79	82
Carrigaline <sup>2</sup>	725	704	729	67	341	408	40	281	321
Clonakilty	461	463	487	20	205	225	23	239	262
Cobh	367	392	422	65	193	258	36	128	164
Cork	8,289	7,974	8,475	1,184	4,245	5,429	724	2,322	3,046
Dunmanway	271	218	238	22	81	103	17	118	135
Fermoy	970	989	1,062	126	469	595	78	389	467
Kinsale	630	562	566	21	223	244	29	293	322
Macroom	402	457	492	38	203	241	34	217	251
Mallow	836	881	948	100	476	576	85	287	372
Midleton	1,175	1,083	1,144	81	536	617	71	456	527
Newmarket	532	527	579	63	240	303	43	233	276
Skibbereen	417	348	385	22	143	165	23	197	220
Youghal	724	785	824	59	366	425	64	335	399
Kerry	6,041	6,129	6,318	638	2,894	3,532	466	2,320	2,786
Cahirciveen	292	287	283	22	121	143	15	125	140
Dingle	228	239	246	15	112	127	8	111	119
Kenmare	139	177	170	12	77	89	3	78	81
Killarney	807	864	896	97	361	458	70	368	438
Killorglin	361	367	388	17	186	203	22	163	185
Listowel	987	1,014	1,089	126	499	625	110	354	464
Tralee	3,227	3,181	3,246	349	1,538	1,887	238	1,121	1,359
<b>State</b>	<b>168,946</b>	<b>166,363</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>20,552</b>	<b>80,091</b>	<b>100,643</b>	<b>14,781</b>	<b>59,169</b>	<b>73,950</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
2005	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
	December	5	92,499	+ 783	62,890	+ 589	155,389	+ 1,372
2007	January	4	95,824	+ 831	62,928	+ 10	158,752	+ 841
	February	4	95,639	- 46	63,760	+ 208	159,399	+ 162
	March	5	94,790	- 170	61,079	- 536	155,869	- 706
	April	4	94,122	- 167	60,197	- 221	154,319	- 388
	May	4	93,827	- 74	60,183	- 4	154,010	- 77
	June	5	97,962	+ 827	68,401	+ 1,644	166,363	+ 2,471
	July	4	100,643	+ 670	73,950	+ 1,387	174,593	+ 2,058

## 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 Allowance (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 Allowance 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	4.1
2007	4.4			

**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/Allowance 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