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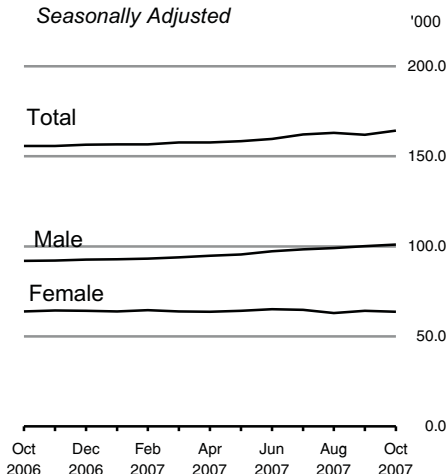
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	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted
October 2006	148,506	155,700
September 2007	160,652	164,200
October 2007	157,449	164,700
Change in month	-3,203	+500
Change in year	+8,943	+9,000

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

The seasonally adjusted Live Register total increased from 164,200 in September to 164,700 in October, an increase of 500. This compares with an increase of 2,200 in September. *See table 2a and graph opposite.*

In the year to October 2007, there was an unadjusted increase of 8,943 (+6.0%). This compares with an unadjusted increase 8,345 (+5.5%) in the year to September 2007.

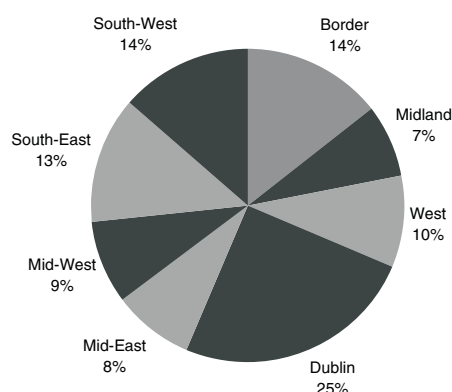
Other features include:

- ◆ The monthly increase in the Seasonally Adjusted series consisted of an increase of 900 males and a decrease of 400 females. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The standardised unemployment rate in October was 4.8%. This compares with 4.6%, 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 7,715 males and 11,733 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 March to May 2007, is 100,900 persons unemployed.

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## Live Register by Regional Authority



	October 2007	Monthly Change	Annual Change
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>49,542</b>	<b>- 767</b>	<b>+ 3,558</b>
Border	22,623	- 276	+ 1,097
Midland	11,746	- 17	+ 1,431
West	15,173	- 474	+ 1,030
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>107,907</b>	<b>- 2,436</b>	<b>+ 5,385</b>
Dublin	39,102	- 1,420	+ 1,268
Mid-East	13,191	- 104	+ 1,391
Mid-West	13,568	- 152	+ 816
South-East	20,454	- 167	+ 852
South-West	21,592	- 593	+ 1,058
<b>Total</b>	<b>157,449</b>	<b>- 3,203</b>	<b>+ 8,943</b>

## Unadjusted monthly decreases in all regions

There was an unadjusted monthly decrease of 3,203 (-2.0%) on the Live Register in October 2007, which reflected decreases in all regions. The largest percentage decrease was in the Dublin region (-3.5%) while the smallest percentage decrease was in the Midland region (-0.1%).

Other features in the month include:

- ◆ The number of males decreased in five regions. The largest percentage decrease was in the Dublin region (-2.5%), while the largest percentage increase was in the Midland region (+1.6%).
- ◆ The number of females decreased in all regions. The largest percentage decrease was in the Dublin region (-5.2%) while the smallest percentage decrease was in the Mid-West region (-1.8%).
- ◆ Amongst counties, the largest percentage decreases were in Cork (-4.8%) and Monaghan (-4.2%). The largest percentage increases were in Kerry (+3.1%) and Laoighis (+2.8%). See tables 4 and 6.

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

Category	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Monthly change		Annual change	
<b>Males</b>							
JB Claims	26,407	32,059	32,103	+	44	+	5,696
JA Applications	59,167	63,347	62,370	-	977	+	3,203
Other Registrants	2,554	2,609	2,651	+	42	+	97
<b>Total</b>	<b>88,128</b>	<b>98,015</b>	<b>97,124</b>	-	<b>891</b>	+	<b>8,996</b>
<b>Females</b>							
JB Claims	29,631	30,671	29,620	-	1,051	-	11
JA Applications	23,821	25,288	24,150	-	1,138	+	329
Other Registrants	6,926	6,678	6,555	-	123	-	371
<b>Total</b>	<b>60,378</b>	<b>62,637</b>	<b>60,325</b>	-	<b>2,312</b>	-	<b>53</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
JB Claims	56,038	62,730	61,723	-	1,007	+	5,685
JA Applications	82,988	88,635	86,520	-	2,115	+	3,532
Other Registrants	9,480	9,287	9,206	-	81	-	274
<b>Total</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>160,652</b>	<b>157,449</b>	-	<b>3,203</b>	+	<b>8,943</b>

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

Category	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Monthly change		Annual change	
<b>Males</b>							
JB Claims	4,128	5,372	5,218	-	154	+	1,090
JA Applications	12,780	14,433	14,093	-	340	+	1,313
Other Registrants	35	45	42	-	3	+	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,943</b>	<b>19,850</b>	<b>19,353</b>	-	<b>497</b>	+	<b>2,410</b>
<b>Females</b>							
JB Claims	3,258	3,716	3,391	-	325	+	133
JA Applications	8,889	9,584	9,007	-	577	+	118
Other Registrants	82	90	80	-	10	-	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,229</b>	<b>13,390</b>	<b>12,478</b>	-	<b>912</b>	+	<b>249</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
JB Claims	7,386	9,088	8,609	-	479	+	1,223
JA Applications	21,669	24,017	23,100	-	917	+	1,431
Other Registrants	117	135	122	-	13	+	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,172</b>	<b>33,240</b>	<b>31,831</b>	-	<b>1,409</b>	+	<b>2,659</b>

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

Category	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Monthly change		Annual change	
<b>Males</b>							
JB Claims	22,279	26,687	26,885	+	198	+	4,606
JA Applications	46,387	48,914	48,277	-	637	+	1,890
Other Registrants	2,519	2,564	2,609	+	45	+	90
<b>Total</b>	<b>71,185</b>	<b>78,165</b>	<b>77,771</b>	-	<b>394</b>	+	<b>6,586</b>
<b>Females</b>							
JB Claims	26,373	26,955	26,229	-	726	-	144
JA Applications	14,932	15,704	15,143	-	561	+	211
Other Registrants	6,844	6,588	6,475	-	113	-	369
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,149</b>	<b>49,247</b>	<b>47,847</b>	-	<b>1,400</b>	-	<b>302</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
JB Claims	48,652	53,642	53,114	-	528	+	4,462
JA Applications	61,319	64,618	63,420	-	1,198	+	2,101
Other Registrants	9,363	9,152	9,084	-	68	-	279
<b>Total</b>	<b>119,334</b>	<b>127,412</b>	<b>125,618</b>	-	<b>1,794</b>	+	<b>6,284</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	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
	August	101,600	72,600	174,200	99,000	63,000	162,000
	September	98,000	62,600	160,700	100,100	64,100	164,200
	October	97,100	60,300	157,400	101,000	63,700	164,700

<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	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
	August	20,900	14,900	35,800	19,900	12,900	32,800
	September	19,900	13,400	33,200	20,100	13,000	33,100
	October	19,400	12,500	31,800	20,400	13,200	33,600

<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	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
	August	80,700	57,700	138,400	79,100	50,100	129,200
	September	78,200	49,200	127,400	80,000	51,100	131,100
	October	77,800	47,800	125,600	80,600	50,500	131,100

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

**Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates (SUR)**

Month	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
January <sup>1</sup>	3.7	4.4	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.4
February	3.7	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.5
March	3.7	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.6
April <sup>1</sup>	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.6 <sup>2</sup>
May	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.6
June	3.9	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.7
July <sup>1</sup>	4.0	4.3	4.8	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.7
August	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.7
September	3.9	4.5	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.7
October <sup>1</sup>	4.0	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.2	4.8
November	4.2	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.3	
December	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.4	
Annual average	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	

<sup>1</sup> Benchmark Labour Force Survey/Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) estimates.

<sup>2</sup> The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (adjusted for seasonality) is: March - May 2007, 4.6%.

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

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions <sup>1</sup>	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Males</b>							
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>26,288</b>	<b>29,880</b>	<b>29,799</b>	- 81	+ 3,511	<b>6,093</b>	<b>23,706</b>
Border	12,500	13,701	13,666	- 35	+ 1,166	2,769	10,897
Midland	5,694	6,894	7,002	+ 108	+ 1,308	1,543	5,459
West	8,094	9,285	9,131	- 154	+ 1,037	1,781	7,350
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>61,840</b>	<b>68,135</b>	<b>67,325</b>	- 810	+ 5,485	<b>13,260</b>	<b>54,065</b>
Dublin	24,136	26,136	25,471	- 665	+ 1,335	5,072	20,399
Mid-East	6,732	7,870	7,948	+ 78	+ 1,216	1,565	6,383
Mid-West	7,521	8,246	8,192	- 54	+ 671	1,673	6,519
South-East	11,424	12,337	12,360	+ 23	+ 936	2,554	9,806
South-West	12,027	13,546	13,354	- 192	+ 1,327	2,396	10,958
<b>Total</b>	<b>88,128</b>	<b>98,015</b>	<b>97,124</b>	- 891	+ 8,996	<b>19,353</b>	<b>77,771</b>
<b>Females</b>							
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>19,696</b>	<b>20,429</b>	<b>19,743</b>	- 686	+ 47	<b>4,189</b>	<b>15,554</b>
Border	9,026	9,198	8,957	- 241	- 69	1,884	7,073
Midland	4,621	4,869	4,744	- 125	+ 123	1,088	3,656
West	6,049	6,362	6,042	- 320	- 7	1,217	4,825
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>40,682</b>	<b>42,208</b>	<b>40,582</b>	- 1,626	- 100	<b>8,289</b>	<b>32,293</b>
Dublin	13,698	14,386	13,631	- 755	- 67	2,846	10,785
Mid-East	5,068	5,425	5,243	- 182	+ 175	942	4,301
Mid-West	5,231	5,474	5,376	- 98	+ 145	1,193	4,183
South-East	8,178	8,284	8,094	- 190	- 84	1,807	6,287
South-West	8,507	8,639	8,238	- 401	- 269	1,501	6,737
<b>Total</b>	<b>60,378</b>	<b>62,637</b>	<b>60,325</b>	- 2,312	- 53	<b>12,478</b>	<b>47,847</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>45,984</b>	<b>50,309</b>	<b>49,542</b>	- 767	+ 3,558	<b>10,282</b>	<b>39,260</b>
Border	21,526	22,899	22,623	- 276	+ 1,097	4,653	17,970
Midland	10,315	11,763	11,746	- 17	+ 1,431	2,631	9,115
West	14,143	15,647	15,173	- 474	+ 1,030	2,998	12,175
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>102,522</b>	<b>110,343</b>	<b>107,907</b>	- 2,436	+ 5,385	<b>21,549</b>	<b>86,358</b>
Dublin	37,834	40,522	39,102	- 1,420	+ 1,268	7,918	31,184
Mid-East	11,800	13,295	13,191	- 104	+ 1,391	2,507	10,684
Mid-West	12,752	13,720	13,568	- 152	+ 816	2,866	10,702
South-East	19,602	20,621	20,454	- 167	+ 852	4,361	16,093
South-West	20,534	22,185	21,592	- 593	+ 1,058	3,897	17,695
<b>Total</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>160,652</b>	<b>157,449</b>	- 3,203	+ 8,943	<b>31,831</b>	<b>125,618</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	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Provinces</b>							
Leinster	77,073	83,675	81,914	- 1,761	+ 4,841	16,804	65,110
Munster	42,104	45,069	44,230	- 839	+ 2,126	8,699	35,531
Connacht	17,049	18,871	18,418	- 453	+ 1,369	3,659	14,759
Ulster	12,280	13,037	12,887	- 150	+ 607	2,669	10,218
<b>Total</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>160,652</b>	<b>157,449</b>	- 3,203	+ 8,943	<b>31,831</b>	<b>125,618</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	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>45,984</b>	<b>50,309</b>	<b>49,542</b>	<b>6,093</b>	<b>23,706</b>	<b>29,799</b>	<b>4,189</b>	<b>15,554</b>	<b>19,743</b>
<b>Border</b>	<b>21,526</b>	<b>22,899</b>	<b>22,623</b>	<b>2,769</b>	<b>10,897</b>	<b>13,666</b>	<b>1,884</b>	<b>7,073</b>	<b>8,957</b>
Cavan	2,184	2,519	2,509	302	1,177	1,479	222	808	1,030
Ballyconnell	434	460	442	40	224	264	47	131	178
Cavan	1,750	2,059	2,067	262	953	1,215	175	677	852
Donegal	8,153	8,370	8,321	1,013	3,927	4,940	755	2,626	3,381
Ballybofey	724	754	763	117	338	455	106	202	308
Ballyshannon	482	491	516	77	204	281	52	183	235
Buncrana	1,590	1,650	1,623	168	781	949	160	514	674
Donegal	484	559	556	54	216	270	37	249	286
Dunfanaghy	733	707	704	106	329	435	48	221	269
Dungloe	1,173	1,150	1,176	116	596	712	54	410	464
Killybegs	787	763	715	56	361	417	38	260	298
Letterkenny	2,180	2,296	2,268	319	1,102	1,421	260	587	847
Leitrim	1,093	1,309	1,318	128	637	765	94	459	553
Carrick-on-Shannon	785	971	976	99	465	564	69	343	412
Manorhamilton	308	338	342	29	172	201	25	116	141
Louth	6,340	6,638	6,491	836	3,204	4,040	487	1,964	2,451
Ardee	728	802	795	104	359	463	57	275	332
Drogheda	3,055	3,114	3,053	377	1,444	1,821	228	1,004	1,232
Dundalk	2,557	2,722	2,643	355	1,401	1,756	202	685	887
Monaghan	1,943	2,148	2,057	212	983	1,195	165	697	862
Carrickmacross	500	550	515	46	220	266	39	210	249
Castleblayney	611	625	591	53	295	348	56	187	243
Clones	210	238	233	31	119	150	21	62	83
Monaghan	622	735	718	82	349	431	49	238	287
Sligo	1,813	1,915	1,927	278	969	1,247	161	519	680
Sligo	1,479	1,581	1,573	240	804	1,044	128	401	529
Tubbercurry	334	334	354	38	165	203	33	118	151
<b>Midland</b>	<b>10,315</b>	<b>11,763</b>	<b>11,746</b>	<b>1,543</b>	<b>5,459</b>	<b>7,002</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>3,656</b>	<b>4,744</b>
Laoighis	1,984	2,429	2,498	327	1,154	1,481	248	769	1,017
Portllington	786	939	961	136	433	569	95	297	392
Portlaoise	863	1,090	1,137	137	534	671	107	359	466
Rathdowney	335	400	400	54	187	241	46	113	159
Longford	1,931	2,267	2,287	328	1,127	1,455	188	644	832
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Offaly	2,748	3,066	3,044	376	1,441	1,817	287	940	1,227
Birr	847	874	885	102	402	504	89	292	381
Edenderry	674	767	755	86	359	445	62	248	310
Tullamore	1,227	1,425	1,404	188	680	868	136	400	536
Westmeath	3,652	4,001	3,917	512	1,737	2,249	365	1,303	1,668
Athlone	1,447	1,502	1,470	191	680	871	132	467	599
Castlepollard	387	433	424	51	176	227	37	160	197
Mullingar	1,818	2,066	2,023	270	881	1,151	196	676	872
<b>West</b>	<b>14,143</b>	<b>15,647</b>	<b>15,173</b>	<b>1,781</b>	<b>7,350</b>	<b>9,131</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>4,825</b>	<b>6,042</b>
Galway	8,441	9,399	9,082	1,090	4,358	5,448	778	2,856	3,634
Ballinasloe	872	919	900	142	430	572	70	258	328
Clifden	619	584	597	71	296	367	55	175	230
Galway	4,733	5,453	5,214	618	2,573	3,191	476	1,547	2,023
Gort	464	539	522	47	210	257	34	231	265
Loughrea	679	722	749	85	333	418	67	264	331
Tuam	1,074	1,182	1,100	127	516	643	76	381	457

**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	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	4,478	4,838	4,703	520	2,316	2,836	353	1,514	1,867
Achill	201	211	207	14	132	146	10	51	61
Ballina	1,280	1,348	1,336	187	675	862	125	349	474
Ballinrobe	357	334	329	29	145	174	26	129	155
Belmullet	464	473	471	46	253	299	33	139	172
Castlebar	731	827	782	80	340	420	59	303	362
Claremorris	369	452	424	49	195	244	30	150	180
Swinford	594	677	645	77	293	370	47	228	275
Westport	482	516	509	38	283	321	23	165	188
Roscommon	1,224	1,410	1,388	171	676	847	86	455	541
Boyle	364	361	361	44	171	215	20	126	146
Castlereagh	545	657	634	69	314	383	38	213	251
Roscommon	315	392	393	58	191	249	28	116	144
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>102,522</b>	<b>110,343</b>	<b>107,907</b>	<b>13,260</b>	<b>54,065</b>	<b>67,325</b>	<b>8,289</b>	<b>32,293</b>	<b>40,582</b>
<b>Dublin</b>	<b>37,834</b>	<b>40,522</b>	<b>39,102</b>	<b>5,072</b>	<b>20,399</b>	<b>25,471</b>	<b>2,846</b>	<b>10,785</b>	<b>13,631</b>
Dublin	37,834	40,522	39,102	5,072	20,399	25,471	2,846	10,785	13,631
Bishop Square	3,264	3,420	3,147	323	1,811	2,134	176	837	1,013
Cumberland Street	4,697	5,015	4,894	591	2,521	3,112	378	1,404	1,782
Navan Road	2,361	2,573	2,461	279	1,411	1,690	190	581	771
Blanchardstown	3,329	3,474	3,379	432	1,632	2,064	268	1,047	1,315
Thomas Street	1,982	2,124	2,012	235	1,221	1,456	137	419	556
Tara Street	1,095	1,091	1,048	99	608	707	59	282	341
Tallaght	3,334	3,736	3,648	623	1,847	2,470	305	873	1,178
Ballymun	1,492	1,499	1,441	265	717	982	144	315	459
Clondalkin	3,351	3,694	3,571	586	1,739	2,325	334	912	1,246
Rathfarnham	1,663	1,883	1,819	158	858	1,016	75	728	803
Kilbarrack	2,058	2,111	2,054	214	1,090	1,304	99	651	750
Dun Laoghaire	2,268	2,482	2,452	214	1,310	1,524	82	846	928
Balbriggan	1,340	1,471	1,435	124	714	838	97	500	597
Ballyfermot	1,227	1,305	1,248	241	646	887	125	236	361
Finglas	2,147	2,315	2,246	366	1,152	1,518	177	551	728
Coolock	2,226	2,329	2,247	322	1,122	1,444	200	603	803
<b>Mid-East</b>	<b>11,800</b>	<b>13,295</b>	<b>13,191</b>	<b>1,565</b>	<b>6,383</b>	<b>7,948</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>4,301</b>	<b>5,243</b>
Kildare	4,950	5,735	5,662	672	2,636	3,308	436	1,918	2,354
Athy	860	1,006	1,011	124	485	609	79	323	402
Maynooth	1,422	1,669	1,606	172	688	860	127	619	746
Newbridge	2,668	3,060	3,045	376	1,463	1,839	230	976	1,206
Meath	2,853	3,181	3,186	329	1,520	1,849	231	1,106	1,337
Kells	541	565	562	65	253	318	51	193	244
Navan	1,501	1,737	1,706	174	863	1,037	111	558	669
Trim	811	879	918	90	404	494	69	355	424
Wicklow	3,997	4,379	4,343	564	2,227	2,791	275	1,277	1,552
Arklow	1,173	1,233	1,259	172	645	817	60	382	442
Baltinglass	431	477	467	64	221	285	58	124	182
Bray	1,629	1,821	1,777	210	930	1,140	104	533	637
Wicklow	764	848	840	118	431	549	53	238	291
<b>Mid-West</b>	<b>12,752</b>	<b>13,720</b>	<b>13,568</b>	<b>1,673</b>	<b>6,519</b>	<b>8,192</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>4,183</b>	<b>5,376</b>
Clare	3,712	4,074	4,084	448	1,917	2,365	291	1,428	1,719
Ennis	2,198	2,448	2,426	288	1,128	1,416	166	844	1,010
Ennistymon	546	589	600	45	285	330	43	227	270
Kilrush	541	573	586	73	276	349	54	183	237
Tulla	427	464	472	42	228	270	28	174	202
Limerick	6,888	7,395	7,286	977	3,638	4,615	710	1,961	2,671
Kilmallock	811	822	814	100	390	490	78	246	324
Limerick	5,205	5,526	5,468	749	2,776	3,525	524	1,419	1,943
Newcastle West	872	1,047	1,004	128	472	600	108	296	404



**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	October 2006	September 2007	October 2007	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
North Tipperary	2,152	2,251	2,198	248	964	1,212	192	794	986
Nenagh	788	806	790	63	347	410	52	328	380
Roscrea	430	445	445	53	197	250	42	153	195
Thurles	934	1,000	963	132	420	552	98	313	411
<b>South-East</b>	<b>19,602</b>	<b>20,621</b>	<b>20,454</b>	<b>2,554</b>	<b>9,806</b>	<b>12,360</b>	<b>1,807</b>	<b>6,287</b>	<b>8,094</b>
Carlow	1,933	2,273	2,212	271	1,044	1,315	212	685	897
Bagenalstown	442	459	458	50	218	268	48	142	190
Carlow	1,035	1,255	1,197	170	573	743	114	340	454
Tullow	456	559	557	51	253	304	50	203	253
Kilkenny	2,498	2,479	2,466	303	1,234	1,537	202	727	929
Kilkenny	2,101	2,039	2,039	247	1,040	1,287	174	578	752
Thomastown	397	440	427	56	194	250	28	149	177
South Tipperary	2,848	2,963	2,958	432	1,423	1,855	280	823	1,103
Cahir	341	413	369	43	165	208	34	127	161
Carrick-on-Suir	891	881	908	114	470	584	72	252	324
Cashel	298	317	317	57	140	197	33	87	120
Clonmel	833	848	849	149	390	539	88	222	310
Tipperary	485	504	515	69	258	327	53	135	188
Waterford	5,970	6,201	6,112	741	3,036	3,777	483	1,852	2,335
Dungarvan	972	898	906	86	496	582	50	274	324
Waterford	4,998	5,303	5,206	655	2,540	3,195	433	1,578	2,011
Wexford	6,353	6,705	6,706	807	3,069	3,876	630	2,200	2,830
Enniscorthy	1,657	1,797	1,832	245	857	1,102	180	550	730
Gorey	1,151	1,244	1,205	139	543	682	89	434	523
New Ross	1,189	1,277	1,276	159	566	725	136	415	551
Wexford	2,356	2,387	2,393	264	1,103	1,367	225	801	1,026
<b>South-West</b>	<b>20,534</b>	<b>22,185</b>	<b>21,592</b>	<b>2,396</b>	<b>10,958</b>	<b>13,354</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>6,737</b>	<b>8,238</b>
Cork	14,717	16,227	15,448	1,764	7,945	9,709	1,068	4,671	5,739
Bandon	485	573	575	61	295	356	26	193	219
Bantry	314	302	330	11	147	158	14	158	172
Bantry (SWLO)	114	123	121	5	49	54	2	65	67
Carrigaline <sup>1</sup>	625	677	652	63	333	396	36	220	256
Clonakilty	442	474	478	31	193	224	25	229	254
Cobh	343	364	327	39	164	203	31	93	124
Cork	7,071	7,958	7,377	1,058	4,043	5,101	575	1,701	2,276
Dunmanway <sup>2</sup>	213	201	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fermoy	873	1,000	1,007	117	500	617	62	328	390
Kinsale	580	550	570	18	238	256	22	292	314
Macroom	414	517	500	46	228	274	22	204	226
Mallow	694	819	807	107	431	538	65	204	269
Midleton	1,032	1,059	1,106	90	585	675	75	356	431
Newmarket	472	491	464	39	226	265	32	167	199
Skibbereen	335	353	351	21	141	162	20	169	189
Youghal	710	766	783	58	372	430	61	292	353
Kerry	5,817	5,958	6,144	632	3,013	3,645	433	2,066	2,499
Cahiriveen	328	277	310	24	132	156	17	137	154
Dingle	244	241	267	23	133	156	10	101	111
Kenmare	151	154	183	14	88	102	6	75	81
Killarney	845	843	911	105	389	494	61	356	417
Killorglin	384	365	390	13	185	198	24	168	192
Listowel	985	1,026	1,038	116	547	663	99	276	375
Tralee	2,880	3,052	3,045	337	1,539	1,876	216	953	1,169
<b>State</b>	<b>148,506</b>	<b>160,652</b>	<b>157,449</b>	<b>19,353</b>	<b>77,771</b>	<b>97,124</b>	<b>12,478</b>	<b>47,847</b>	<b>60,325</b>

<sup>1</sup> Carrigaline replaces previous office Passage West with effect from November 2006.<sup>2</sup> Dunmanway local office has closed with effect from October 2007.

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

		Males		Females		Total	
	Number of weeks	Live Register	Average net weekly change	Live Register	Average net weekly change	Live Register	Average net weekly change
2005	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		
	August	5	101,592 + 190	72,614 - 267	174,206 - 77		
	September	4	98,015 - 894	62,637 - 2,494	160,652 - 3,389		
	October	4	97,124 - 223	60,325 - 578	157,449 - 801		

## 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.

**Reference Period** The reference period for the Live register results are as follows:

October 2007 - 29<sup>th</sup> September to the 26<sup>th</sup> October

October 2006 - 30<sup>th</sup> September to the 27<sup>th</sup> October.

**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	4.4
2005	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.5
2006	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.2
2007	4.4	4.6		

**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