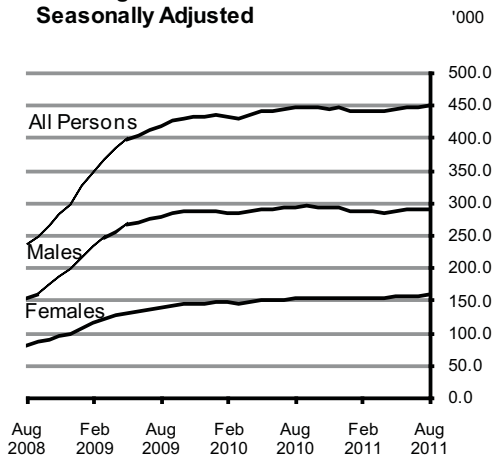




Live Register August 2011

**Live Register
Seasonally Adjusted**



	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted	Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR)%
August 2010	466,923	447,800	13.5
July 2011	470,284	448,000	14.3
August 2011	469,713	449,600	14.4
			Percentage Points
Change in month	-	+ 1,600	+ 0.1
Change in year	+ 2,790	-	+ 0.9

Little change in number of people on Live Register in August

On a seasonally adjusted basis there was an increase of 1,600 or 0.4% on the Live Register in the month to August 2011. A seasonally adjusted increase of 1,600 was also recorded in July 2011. Over the last twelve months the Live Register seasonally adjusted series has remained in the relatively narrow range of 441,100 and 449,600. *See table 2a.*

In unadjusted terms there were 469,713 people signing on the Live Register in August 2011 representing an increase of 2,790 (+0.6%) over the year. This increase is slightly less than that recorded in July 2011 (+3,460 or +0.7%) and is far less than the increase of 30,198 (+6.9%) seen in the year to August 2010. *See table 1a.*

The standardised unemployment rate in August 2011 was 14.4%, up slightly from a rate of 14.3% in July. The latest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate from the Quarterly National Household Survey was 14.0% in the first quarter of 2011. The average unemployment rate during 2010 was 13.6%. *See table 3.*

Other features include:

- ◆ On a seasonally adjusted basis there were monthly increases of 1,200 females and 400 males on the Live Register in August 2011. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The number of female claimants increased by 5,888 (+3.5%), to 172,860 over the year while the number of male claimants decreased by 3,098 (-1.0%) to 296,853. This compares with increases of 14,419 (+9.5%) and 15,779 (+5.6%) for females and males respectively in the year to August 2010. *See table 1a.*
- ◆ The number of long term claimants on the Live Register continues to increase with 40.8% of claimants in August 2011 on the Live Register for one year or more. In August 2010 long term claimants made up 31.8% of the total Live Register. *See table 7.*

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 estimated number of persons unemployed as of the first quarter of 2011 was 295,700.

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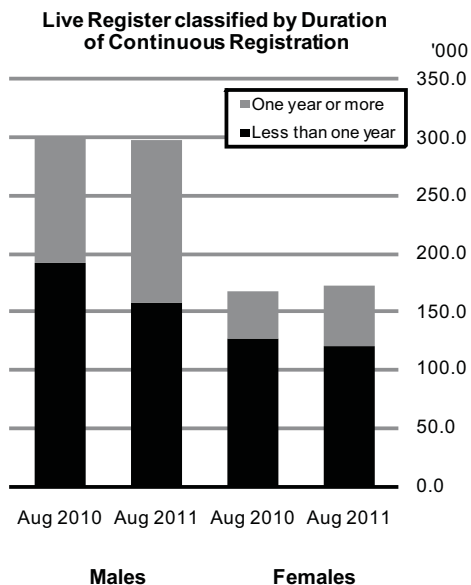
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Live Register duration of continuous registration

In August 59.2% (278,135) of all claimants on the Live Register were short term claimants. The comparable figure for August 2010 was 68.2% (318,521). The annual fall of 40,386 (-12.7%) in the number of short term claimants consisted of a decrease of 33,586 in the number of male short term claimants and a decrease of 6,800 in female short term claimants. *See table 7.*

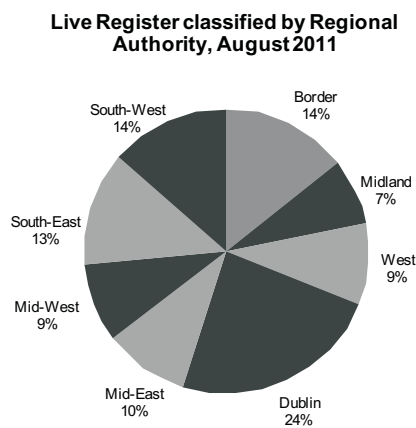
The number of long term claimants on the Live Register in August 2011 was 191,578. The number of male long term claimants increased by 30,488 (+28.3%) in the year to August 2011, while the comparable increase for females was 12,688 (+31.3%) giving an overall annual increase of 43,176 (+29.1%) in the number of long term claimants. *See table 7 and graph opposite.*

Live Register schemes analysis

In August there were 115,709 Jobseekers Benefit (JB) claimants on the Live Register, an annual decrease of 29,131 (-20.1%), while Jobseekers Allowance (JA) claimants increased over the same period by 27,090 (+9.2%) to a level of 323,097. As a result JA claimants account for 68.8% of all persons on the Live Register in August 2011 compared with 63.4% a year earlier. *See table 1a.*

In the year to August 2011 the number of persons aged 25 and over on the Live Register increased by 8,570 (+2.3%), while the number of persons aged under 25 fell by 5,780 (-6.1%). There were annual decreases in all claim types for persons aged under 25 with the largest decrease in JB claims (-5,117 or -31.7%). JB claims for persons aged 25 and over fell by 24,014 (-18.7%) but JA claims increased by 27,706 (+12.7%) and 'Other Registrants' increased by 4,878 (+19.0%). *See table 1b and 1c.*

There were 32,327 new registrants on the Live Register in August 2011, consisting of 13,184 JB claims, 17,586 JA claims and 1,557 'Other Registrants'. Males accounted for 18,079 (55.9%) and females 14,248 (44.1%) of all new registrants. On average 4,520 male and 3,562 female new registrants joined the Live Register each week of the month. The difference between the number of new registrants on the Live Register and the increase in the total number on the Live Register is accounted for by closed claims and movements between schemes. *See table 4.*



Live Register regional analysis

Annual increases in the Live Register were recorded in seven of the eight NUTS 3 regions, with a slight decrease in the Mid-West region (-0.9%). The largest percentage increase was in the Midland region (+2.0%), followed by the South-East and Border regions at 1.2% and 1.0% respectively. *See table 5.*

The number of females increased in all regions in the year to August 2011 with the largest percentage increase in the Midland region (+6.7%). The number of males on the Live Register decreased in all regions with the largest percentage decrease in the Mid-West region (-2.4%).

Live Register occupational groups¹

Craft and related (23.7%) remained the largest occupational group on the Live Register in August, despite the fact that the number in the group fell over the year by 7,344 (-6.2%) to 111,551. The second largest annual percentage decrease was in the *Managers and administrators* group (-5.8%). In the year to August 2011 four occupational groups showed Live Register increases. The largest percentage increases were in the *Sales* group (+6.3%) and the *Personal and protective service* group (+6.0%). See table 6.

Live Register casual and part-time workers

There were 85,296 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register in August, which represents 18.2% of the total Live Register. This compares with 16.8% one year earlier when there were 78,282 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register. See table 8.

In the year to August 2011 the number of casual and part-time workers increased by 7,014 (+9.0%), with the number of males increasing by 4,150 (+10.1%) and the number of females increasing by 2,864 (+7.7%).

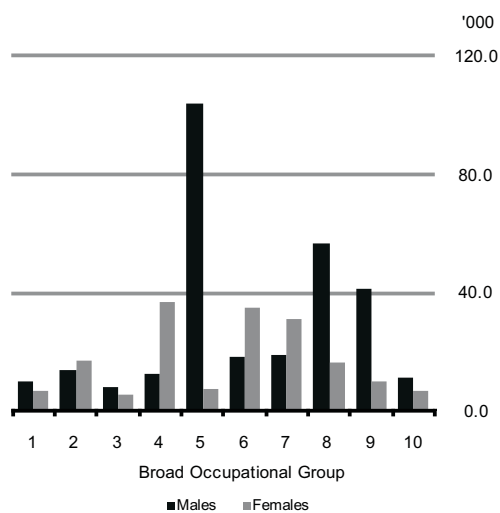
Live Register nationality groupings

In August Irish nationals accounted for 83.2% (390,718) of the number of persons on the Live Register. Of the 78,995 non-Irish nationals, the largest constituent group on the Live Register continued to be nationals from the EU15 to EU27 States (41,330), followed by the UK (18,925). See table 9.

In the year to August 2011 the number of Irish nationals on the Live Register increased by 2,652 (+0.7%), while the number of non-Irish nationals increased by 138 (+0.2%).

¹ While the 'No Occupation' group is excluded from the analysis its subtotals are included in the relevant calculations presented in the text.

Live Register classified by Last Held Occupation, August 2011



KEY

- 1- Managers and administrators
- 2- Professional
- 3- Associate professional and technical
- 4- Clerical and secretarial
- 5- Craft and related
- 6- Personal and protective service
- 7- Sales
- 8- Plant and machine operatives
- 9- Other occupation
- 10- No occupation

Table 1a Total persons on the Live Register

Category	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	78,239	60,064	57,999	- 2,065	- 20,240
JA Applications	212,731	227,000	227,981	+ 981	+ 15,250
Other Registrants	8,981	10,706	10,873	+ 167	+ 1,892
Total	299,951	297,770	296,853	- 917	- 3,098
Females					
JB Claims	66,601	58,926	57,710	- 1,216	- 8,891
JA Applications	83,276	93,701	95,116	+ 1,415	+ 11,840
Other Registrants	17,095	19,887	20,034	+ 147	+ 2,939
Total	166,972	172,514	172,860	+ 346	+ 5,888
All Persons					
JB Claims	144,840	118,990	115,709	- 3,281	- 29,131
JA Applications	296,007	320,701	323,097	+ 2,396	+ 27,090
Other Registrants	26,076	30,593	30,907	+ 314	+ 4,831
Total	466,923	470,284	469,713	- 571	+ 2,790

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

Category	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	9,105	5,880	5,497	- 383	- 3,608
JA Applications	49,015	47,891	47,644	- 247	- 1,371
Other Registrants	178	154	141	- 13	- 37
Total	58,298	53,925	53,282	- 643	- 5,016
Females					
JB Claims	7,048	5,656	5,539	- 117	- 1,509
JA Applications	28,916	29,473	29,671	+ 198	+ 755
Other Registrants	288	272	278	+ 6	- 10
Total	36,252	35,401	35,488	+ 87	- 764
All Persons					
JB Claims	16,153	11,536	11,036	- 500	- 5,117
JA Applications	77,931	77,364	77,315	- 49	- 616
Other Registrants	466	426	419	- 7	- 47
Total	94,550	89,326	88,770	- 556	- 5,780

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

Category	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	69,134	54,184	52,502	- 1,682	- 16,632
JA Applications	163,716	179,109	180,337	+ 1,228	+ 16,621
Other Registrants	8,803	10,552	10,732	+ 180	+ 1,929
Total	241,653	243,845	243,571	- 274	+ 1,918
Females					
JB Claims	59,553	53,270	52,171	- 1,099	- 7,382
JA Applications	54,360	64,228	65,445	+ 1,217	+ 11,085
Other Registrants	16,807	19,615	19,756	+ 141	+ 2,949
Total	130,720	137,113	137,372	+ 259	+ 6,652
All Persons					
JB Claims	128,687	107,454	104,673	- 2,781	- 24,014
JA Applications	218,076	243,337	245,782	+ 2,445	+ 27,706
Other Registrants	25,610	30,167	30,488	+ 321	+ 4,878
Total	372,373	380,958	380,943	- 15	+ 8,570

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons
2009	August	284,200	152,600	436,700	279,200	139,800	419,000
	September	278,000	141,900	419,900	284,000	142,600	426,600
	October	273,600	138,800	412,400	287,000	144,100	431,200
	November	276,100	137,400	413,500	288,400	145,600	433,900
	December	282,900	140,700	423,600	287,300	146,200	433,500
2010	January	291,600	145,300	436,900	286,900	148,300	435,100
	February	290,900	146,100	437,000	284,500	147,500	432,000
	March	290,200	144,900	435,100	284,800	146,500	431,200
	April	287,800	144,800	432,700	287,600	149,200	436,700
	May	290,400	147,500	437,900	290,400	150,500	440,900
	June	297,100	155,800	452,900	291,000	150,500	441,600
	July	300,500	166,400	466,800	293,100	152,000	445,100
	August	300,000	167,000	466,900	294,100	153,700	447,800
	September	289,800	152,600	442,400	295,000	153,000	448,000
	October	281,600	148,000	429,600	294,200	153,100	447,300
	November	280,200	144,800	425,000	292,200	153,100	445,300
	December	288,800	148,300	437,100	292,900	153,800	446,700
2011	January	292,000	150,700	442,700	288,300	153,700	442,000
	February	291,800	152,500	444,300	287,000	154,100	441,100
	March	290,200	151,000	441,200	287,200	154,900	442,100
	April	286,700	152,800	439,600	286,100	155,100	441,100
	May	288,300	152,700	440,900	288,000	155,700	443,700
	June	296,100	161,800	457,900	289,700	156,700	446,400
	July	297,800	172,500	470,300	290,000	158,000	448,000
	August	296,900	172,900	469,700	290,400	159,200	449,600

¹ Table contains revised figures.**Table 2b Persons under 25 years of age on the Live Register - Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted**

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons
2009	August	59,400	35,600	95,000	56,500	31,300	87,800
	September	56,700	33,100	89,800	57,000	31,900	88,900
	October	54,100	30,800	84,900	57,100	32,200	89,200
	November	53,500	29,900	83,400	56,700	32,300	89,000
	December	54,800	29,600	84,400	56,500	32,300	88,900
2010	January	55,200	30,700	85,900	55,200	32,000	87,200
	February	54,600	30,500	85,100	54,200	31,400	85,600
	March	54,900	30,100	85,000	54,400	31,200	85,600
	April	53,400	29,600	83,000	54,400	31,700	86,100
	May	54,400	31,200	85,600	55,000	32,100	87,100
	June	57,500	34,100	91,600	55,200	31,600	86,800
	July	58,600	36,000	94,600	55,300	31,700	87,000
	August	58,300	36,300	94,600	55,300	31,900	87,100
	September	55,200	33,500	88,700	55,200	32,100	87,300
	October	52,000	30,900	82,900	54,700	32,100	86,700
	November	51,000	29,500	80,500	54,000	31,800	85,800
	December	52,100	29,200	81,300	53,600	31,700	85,400
2011	January	52,200	30,000	82,200	52,500	31,400	83,900
	February	51,900	30,200	82,100	51,800	31,200	83,100
	March	51,500	29,800	81,400	51,400	31,300	82,700
	April	49,900	29,500	79,400	51,100	31,200	82,400
	May	50,400	30,500	81,000	51,000	31,300	82,300
	June	53,300	33,700	87,000	51,000	31,300	82,200
	July	53,900	35,400	89,300	50,700	31,200	81,900
	August	53,300	35,500	88,800	50,300	31,200	81,500

¹ Table contains revised figures.

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons
2009	August	224,800	116,900	341,800	222,700	108,500	331,200
	September	221,300	108,700	330,000	227,000	110,700	337,700
	October	219,500	108,000	327,500	230,000	112,000	341,900
	November	222,600	107,500	330,100	231,700	113,200	344,900
	December	228,000	111,100	339,200	230,800	113,800	344,600
2010	January	236,400	114,600	351,000	231,700	116,200	347,900
	February	236,300	115,600	351,800	230,300	116,100	346,400
	March	235,300	114,800	350,100	230,300	115,300	345,600
	April	234,400	115,200	349,700	233,200	117,500	350,700
	May	235,900	116,400	352,300	235,300	118,400	353,800
	June	239,500	121,700	361,200	235,900	118,900	354,800
	July	241,800	130,400	372,200	237,800	120,300	358,100
	August	241,700	130,700	372,400	238,800	121,800	360,700
	September	234,600	119,100	353,800	239,800	120,900	360,700
	October	229,600	117,100	346,600	239,500	121,100	360,600
	November	229,200	115,300	344,500	238,200	121,300	359,500
	December	236,700	119,100	355,800	239,300	122,100	361,300
2011	January	239,800	120,700	360,400	235,800	122,400	358,100
	February	240,000	122,300	362,200	235,200	122,900	358,100
	March	238,700	121,100	359,800	235,800	123,500	359,300
	April	236,800	123,400	360,200	234,900	123,800	358,800
	May	237,900	122,100	360,000	237,000	124,300	361,300
	June	242,800	128,100	370,900	238,700	125,400	364,200
	July	243,800	137,100	381,000	239,300	126,800	366,100
	August	243,600	137,400	380,900	240,100	128,100	368,100

¹ Table contains revised figures.

Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates (SUR)¹

Month	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
	%	%	%	%	%	%
January	4.4	4.4	4.8	9.4	13.0	14.3
February ²	4.4	4.4	4.9	10.1	12.8	14.0 ³
March	4.4	4.4	5.2	10.8	12.9	14.0
April	4.4	4.5	5.3	11.3	13.1	14.0
May ²	4.5	4.6	5.6	11.8	13.4	14.1
June	4.5	4.6	5.9	12.0	13.4	14.2
July	4.5	4.5	6.4	12.1	13.4	14.3
August ²	4.6	4.5	6.8	12.4	13.5	14.4
September	4.5	4.6	7.1	12.7	14.0	
October	4.4	4.6	7.6	13.0	14.5	
November ²	4.3	4.8	8.1	13.1	14.8	
December	4.4	4.8	8.6	13.1	14.7	
Annual average	4.4	4.5	6.4	11.8	13.6	

¹ Table contains revised figures.

² Benchmark Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) calendar quarter estimates.

³ The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (adjusted for seasonality) is: January-March 2011, 14.0%.

Table 4 Summary of flows¹ on and off the Live Register

		Number of Weeks	Males				Females			
			Live Register	New Regis- trations	Outflow (derived)	Average Weekly Change	Live Register	New Regis- trations	Outflow (derived)	Average Weekly Change
JB Claims										
	August	4	78,239	8,455	11,715	- 815	66,601	7,304	8,932	- 407
	September	4	72,408	9,325	15,156	- 1,458	55,942	7,627	18,286	- 2,665
	October	5	68,599	12,335	16,144	- 762	54,117	10,568	12,393	- 365
	November	4	67,194	10,910	12,315	- 351	51,806	8,229	10,540	- 578
	December	5	70,896	13,881	10,179	+ 740	54,179	8,990	6,617	+ 475
2011	January	4	71,084	13,311	13,123	+ 47	54,612	11,097	10,664	+ 108
	February	4	69,409	10,133	11,808	- 419	55,183	9,108	8,537	+ 143
	March	4	67,100	9,026	11,335	- 577	52,967	7,272	9,488	- 554
	April	5	63,982	10,275	13,393	- 624	53,506	10,204	9,665	+ 108
	May	4	61,832	8,167	10,317	- 538	50,275	7,415	10,646	- 808
	June	4	61,562	8,586	8,856	- 68	52,896	9,286	6,665	+ 655
	July	5	60,064	10,329	11,827	- 300	58,926	15,392	9,362	+ 1,206
	August	4	57,999	6,543	8,608	- 516	57,710	6,641	7,857	- 304
JA Applications										
2010	August	4	212,731	12,179	9,633	+ 637	83,276	6,636	4,769	+ 467
	September	4	208,367	13,679	18,043	- 1,091	80,058	7,597	10,815	- 805
	October	5	203,934	16,281	20,714	- 887	77,130	8,473	11,401	- 586
	November	4	203,693	13,216	13,457	- 60	76,078	6,571	7,623	- 263
	December	5	208,371	12,724	8,046	+ 936	76,997	5,360	4,441	+ 184
2011	January	4	211,071	12,783	10,083	+ 675	78,512	6,744	5,229	+ 379
	February	4	212,334	12,468	11,205	+ 316	79,399	6,619	5,732	+ 222
	March	4	212,973	11,112	10,473	+ 160	79,903	5,651	5,147	+ 126
	April	5	212,464	12,647	13,156	- 102	80,739	7,063	6,227	+ 167
	May	4	216,003	11,615	8,076	+ 885	83,630	6,882	3,991	+ 723
	June	4	223,956	13,754	5,801	+ 1,988	89,738	9,252	3,144	+ 1,527
	July	5	227,000	15,220	12,176	+ 609	93,701	10,503	6,540	+ 793
	August	4	227,981	10,924	9,943	+ 245	95,116	6,662	5,247	+ 354
Other Registrants										
2010	August	4	8,981	604	399	+ 51	17,095	1,016	647	+ 92
	September	4	9,023	616	574	+ 11	16,619	1,116	1,592	- 119
	October	5	9,066	771	728	+ 9	16,707	1,399	1,311	+ 18
	November	4	9,341	704	429	+ 69	16,890	1,157	974	+ 46
	December	5	9,535	665	471	+ 39	17,101	995	784	+ 42
2011	January	4	9,848	782	469	+ 78	17,550	1,398	949	+ 112
	February	4	10,063	640	425	+ 54	17,911	1,156	795	+ 90
	March	4	10,152	477	388	+ 22	18,098	948	761	+ 47
	April	5	10,299	575	428	+ 29	18,581	1,232	749	+ 97
	May	4	10,455	478	322	+ 39	18,752	958	787	+ 43
	June	4	10,631	551	375	+ 44	19,165	1,074	661	+ 103
	July	5	10,706	757	682	+ 15	19,887	1,922	1,200	+ 144
	August	4	10,873	612	445	+ 42	20,034	945	798	+ 37

¹ Flow analysis: inflows and outflows published in this table do not take account of inter-scheme activity within the Live Register. For example, if a claimant exhausts his/her entitlement to JB and opens a new JA claim this is counted as an outflow in JB and an inflow in JA.

Table 5 Persons on the Live Register classified by region

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions ¹	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Border, Midland and Western	92,359	91,528	91,104	- 424	- 1,255	17,023	74,081
Border	42,479	42,089	41,950	- 139	- 529	8,057	33,893
Midland	22,370	22,349	22,230	- 119	- 140	4,094	18,136
West	27,510	27,090	26,924	- 166	- 586	4,872	22,052
Southern and Eastern	207,592	206,242	205,749	- 493	- 1,843	36,259	169,490
Dublin	72,992	72,890	72,876	- 14	- 116	13,128	59,748
Mid-East	28,452	28,327	28,136	- 191	- 316	4,816	23,320
Mid-West	26,441	25,831	25,809	- 22	- 632	4,574	21,235
South-East	38,802	38,733	38,670	- 63	- 132	7,214	31,456
South-West	40,905	40,461	40,258	- 203	- 647	6,527	33,731
Total	299,951	297,770	296,853	- 917	- 3,098	53,282	243,571
Females							
Border, Midland and Western	51,830	54,313	54,442	+ 129	+ 2,612	11,805	42,637
Border	23,591	24,772	24,767	- 5	+ 1,176	5,508	19,259
Midland	12,233	13,071	13,057	- 14	+ 824	2,961	10,096
West	16,006	16,470	16,618	+ 148	+ 612	3,336	13,282
Southern and Eastern	115,142	118,201	118,418	+ 217	+ 3,276	23,683	94,735
Dublin	39,314	39,902	40,103	+ 201	+ 789	8,012	32,091
Mid-East	16,370	17,128	16,974	- 154	+ 604	3,248	13,726
Mid-West	15,406	15,439	15,662	+ 223	+ 256	3,243	12,419
South-East	21,257	22,108	22,120	+ 12	+ 863	4,784	17,336
South-West	22,795	23,624	23,559	- 65	+ 764	4,396	19,163
Total	166,972	172,514	172,860	+ 346	+ 5,888	35,488	137,372
All Persons							
Border, Midland and Western	144,189	145,841	145,546	- 295	+ 1,357	28,828	116,718
Border	66,070	66,861	66,717	- 144	+ 647	13,565	53,152
Midland	34,603	35,420	35,287	- 133	+ 684	7,055	28,232
West	43,516	43,560	43,542	- 18	+ 26	8,208	35,334
Southern and Eastern	322,734	324,443	324,167	- 276	+ 1,433	59,942	264,225
Dublin	112,306	112,792	112,979	+ 187	+ 673	21,140	91,839
Mid-East	44,822	45,455	45,110	- 345	+ 288	8,064	37,046
Mid-West	41,847	41,270	41,471	+ 201	- 376	7,817	33,654
South-East	60,059	60,841	60,790	- 51	+ 731	11,998	48,792
South-West	63,700	64,085	63,817	- 268	+ 117	10,923	52,894
Total	466,923	470,284	469,713	- 571	+ 2,790	88,770	380,943

¹ The composition of the regions is described in the Background Notes.

Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by last held occupation

Broad occupational group	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Managers and administrators	10,869	10,291	10,329	+ 38	- 540	507	9,822
Professional	14,572	13,587	13,738	+ 151	- 834	1,686	12,052
Associate professional and technical	8,685	8,172	8,153	- 19	- 532	1,255	6,898
Clerical and secretarial	12,869	12,826	12,843	+ 17	- 26	2,244	10,599
Craft and related	111,690	105,048	103,990	- 1,058	- 7,700	14,822	89,168
Personal and protective service	17,386	18,524	18,439	- 85	+ 1,053	3,459	14,980
Sales	17,770	19,170	19,279	+ 109	+ 1,509	6,658	12,621
Plant and machine operatives	55,935	57,199	56,969	- 230	+ 1,034	8,356	48,613
Other occupation	40,705	41,552	41,528	- 24	+ 823	8,827	32,701
No occupation ¹	9,470	11,401	11,585	+ 184	+ 2,115	5,468	6,117
Total	299,951	297,770	296,853	- 917	- 3,098	53,282	243,571
Females							
Managers and administrators	7,560	7,030	7,040	+ 10	- 520	313	6,727
Professional	16,750	16,570	16,844	+ 274	+ 94	1,997	14,847
Associate professional and technical	5,824	5,778	5,787	+ 9	- 37	759	5,028
Clerical and secretarial	37,075	37,025	36,836	- 189	- 239	3,233	33,603
Craft and related	7,205	7,523	7,561	+ 38	+ 356	1,381	6,180
Personal and protective service	32,795	34,829	34,738	- 91	+ 1,943	8,351	26,387
Sales	29,802	31,202	31,275	+ 73	+ 1,473	9,692	21,583
Plant and machine operatives	15,751	16,113	16,184	+ 71	+ 433	2,969	13,215
Other occupation	8,797	9,864	9,955	+ 91	+ 1,158	3,357	6,598
No occupation ¹	5,413	6,580	6,640	+ 60	+ 1,227	3,436	3,204
Total	166,972	172,514	172,860	+ 346	+ 5,888	35,488	137,372
All Persons							
Managers and administrators	18,429	17,321	17,369	+ 48	- 1,060	820	16,549
Professional	31,322	30,157	30,582	+ 425	- 740	3,683	26,899
Associate professional and technical	14,509	13,950	13,940	- 10	- 569	2,014	11,926
Clerical and secretarial	49,944	49,851	49,679	- 172	- 265	5,477	44,202
Craft and related	118,895	112,571	111,551	- 1,020	- 7,344	16,203	95,348
Personal and protective service	50,181	53,353	53,177	- 176	+ 2,996	11,810	41,367
Sales	47,572	50,372	50,554	+ 182	+ 2,982	16,350	34,204
Plant and machine operatives	71,686	73,312	73,153	- 159	+ 1,467	11,325	61,828
Other occupation	49,502	51,416	51,483	+ 67	+ 1,981	12,184	39,299
No occupation ¹	14,883	17,981	18,225	+ 244	+ 3,342	8,904	9,321
Total	466,923	470,284	469,713	- 571	+ 2,790	88,770	380,943

¹ Includes those who never worked and those who have no stated occupation.

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register classified by duration of continuous registration

Duration	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Less than one year	192,150	160,329	158,564	- 1,765	- 33,586	32,203	126,361
One year or more	107,801	137,441	138,289	+ 848	+ 30,488	21,079	117,210
Total	299,951	297,770	296,853	- 917	- 3,098	53,282	243,571
Females							
Less than one year	126,371	119,893	119,571	- 322	- 6,800	24,859	94,712
One year or more	40,601	52,621	53,289	+ 668	+ 12,688	10,629	42,660
Total	166,972	172,514	172,860	+ 346	+ 5,888	35,488	137,372
All Persons							
Less than one year	318,521	280,222	278,135	- 2,087	- 40,386	57,062	221,073
One year or more	148,402	190,062	191,578	+ 1,516	+ 43,176	31,708	159,870
Total	466,923	470,284	469,713	- 571	+ 2,790	88,770	380,943

Table 8 Casual and part-time workers on the Live Register

		Males	Monthly change	Females	Monthly change	All Persons	Monthly change
2009	August	37,749	+ 334	32,354	+ 216	70,103	+ 550
	September	38,268	+ 519	32,590	+ 236	70,858	+ 755
	October	37,273	- 995	32,087	- 503	69,360	- 1,498
	November	39,322	+ 2,049	34,308	+ 2,221	73,630	+ 4,270
	December	39,493	+ 171	34,506	+ 198	73,999	+ 369
2010	January	40,743	+ 1,250	36,120	+ 1,614	76,863	+ 2,864
	February	42,026	+ 1,283	37,263	+ 1,143	79,289	+ 2,426
	March	42,284	+ 258	37,565	+ 302	79,849	+ 560
	April	41,713	- 571	37,396	- 169	79,109	- 740
	May	41,602	- 111	37,273	- 123	78,875	- 234
	June	41,790	+ 188	37,449	+ 176	79,239	+ 364
	July	41,624	- 166	37,448	- 1	79,072	- 167
	August	41,162	- 462	37,120	- 328	78,282	- 790
	September	40,399	- 763	36,480	- 640	76,879	- 1,403
	October	40,914	+ 515	37,010	+ 530	77,924	+ 1,045
	November	42,162	+ 1,248	38,046	+ 1,036	80,208	+ 2,284
	December	43,510	+ 1,348	38,548	+ 502	82,058	+ 1,850
2011	January	44,117	+ 607	39,115	+ 567	83,232	+ 1,174
	February	45,086	+ 969	39,973	+ 858	85,059	+ 1,827
	March	45,603	+ 517	40,552	+ 579	86,155	+ 1,096
	April	45,447	- 156	40,147	- 405	85,594	- 561
	May	45,071	- 376	39,862	- 285	84,933	- 661
	June	45,609	+ 538	40,156	+ 294	85,765	+ 832
	July	45,639	+ 30	40,226	+ 70	85,865	+ 100
	August	45,312	- 327	39,984	- 242	85,296	- 569

Table 9 Persons on the Live Register classified by nationality grouping

		Nationality grouping						
		Non-Irish nationals						
		United Kingdom	EU15 excl. Irl. & UK	EU15 to EU27 States	Other	Non-Irish nationals	Irish nationals	All Persons
2009	August	18,663	4,445	42,685	13,891	79,684	357,041	436,725
	September	18,098	4,219	41,990	13,436	77,743	342,111	419,854
	October	17,857	4,081	41,369	12,997	76,304	336,103	412,407
	November	17,840	4,031	42,003	12,906	76,780	336,725	413,505
	December	18,062	4,073	42,366	13,018	77,519	346,076	423,595
2010	January	18,524	4,186	45,328	13,357	81,395	355,541	436,936
	February	18,413	4,139	45,338	13,376	81,266	355,690	436,956
	March	18,238	4,039	44,486	13,278	80,041	355,080	435,121
	April	18,081	3,955	43,248	13,107	78,391	354,266	432,657
	May	18,217	3,964	42,416	13,472	78,069	359,853	437,922
	June	18,619	4,028	41,856	14,342	78,845	374,037	452,882
	July	18,979	4,100	41,570	14,563	79,212	387,612	466,824
	August	19,007	4,115	41,154	14,581	78,857	388,066	466,923
	September	18,190	3,902	40,427	13,926	76,445	365,972	442,417
	October	17,715	3,755	40,065	13,100	74,635	354,918	429,553
	November	17,598	3,705	40,728	12,751	74,782	350,220	425,002
	December	17,855	3,704	42,198	12,888	76,645	360,434	437,079
2011	January	18,078	3,793	43,619	13,037	78,527	364,150	442,677
	February	18,065	3,813	44,167	13,117	79,162	365,137	444,299
	March	17,956	3,817	43,722	13,099	78,594	362,599	441,193
	April	18,021	3,729	42,698	13,075	77,523	362,048	439,571
	May	18,075	3,711	41,791	13,401	76,978	363,969	440,947
	June	18,648	3,829	42,013	14,431	78,921	379,027	457,948
	July	19,006	3,872	41,732	14,675	79,285	390,999	470,284
	August	18,925	3,847	41,330	14,893	78,995	390,718	469,713

Background Notes

Source and scope of the Live Register The Live Register is compiled from returns made for each local office to the Central Statistics Office by the Department of Social Protection. 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 periods for the Live Register results are as follows:
 August 2011 – 30th July to 26th August 2011
 August 2010 – 31th July to 27th August 2010

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.

Official estimates of the number of persons unemployed and the unemployment rate are produced from the Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS). The QNHS is the only source of information on unemployment and employment which can apply standard International Labour Organisation (ILO) methodology to the estimation of these key indicators. The background notes of the QNHS release contain more information on the ILO criteria. Given the timelag required to produce estimates from the QNHS and the quarterly periodicity, short-term trends in the Live Register are used to estimate more up-to-date monthly unemployment rates.

The seasonally adjusted QNHS estimate of unemployment is used as a benchmark for February (Quarter 1 QNHS), May (Quarter 2 QNHS), August (Quarter 3 QNHS) and November (Quarter 4 QNHS) each year. The latest QNHS benchmark is updated using the trend in the seasonally adjusted Live Register to allow the estimation of the SUR. Once new QNHS data is available it is used to revise the SUR series. The assumption underlying this methodology is that over short periods the change in the seasonally adjusted Live Register will represent accurately the change in unemployment which will be seen from the QNHS. This methodology has been used since the QNHS was first initiated at the end of 1997.

QNHS The Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS), which began in September 1997, replaced the Labour Force Survey and provides quarterly estimates of the unemployment rate. Up to and including the fourth quarter of 2008 the QNHS operated on a seasonal quarter basis. As of the first quarter 2009 the QNHS is now undertaken on a calendar quarter basis.

The calendar reference quarters for survey results are:

Q1 - January to March, Q2 - April to June, Q3 - July to September and Q4 - October to December.

The calendar quarter estimates for Q1 2011 (adjusted for seasonality) are:

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	%	%	%	%
2006	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.3
2007	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.8
2008	4.9	5.6	6.8	8.1
2009	10.1	11.8	12.4	13.1
2010	12.8	13.4	13.5	14.8
2011	14.0			

Seasonal adjustment Since January 2011 the seasonal adjustment of the Live Register is completed by applying the X-12-ARIMA model, developed by the U.S. Census Bureau. Seasonal adjustment is conducted using the indirect approach, where each individual series is independently adjusted (male under 25 years, female under 25 years, male 25 years and over and female 25 years and over). To preserve consistency between the individual and aggregate series, the series for gender, age group and total Live Register are then created from these four component series.

The X-12 ARIMA method has the X-11 moving averages process at its core, but builds on this by providing options for pre-treating the series using a regARIMA approach for prior adjustment and series extension. In essence this methodology will estimate seasonal factors while taking account of temporary changes, outliers, level shifts and calendar effects (e.g timing of Easter).

For additional information on the use of X-12-ARIMA see detailed note in the January 2011 Live Register release.

Jobseekers Benefit Duration Prior to 19 January 2004 Jobseekers Benefit was payable for **15 months** (390 days).

From 19 January 2004, Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of **15 months** (390 days) to people who had at least 260 paid PRSI contributions. Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of **12 months** (312 days) to people who had less than 260 paid contributions. (Refers to new claims).

Since 15 October 2008, Jobseeker's Benefit can be paid for a maximum of **12 months** (312 days) to people who have at least 260 paid PRSI contributions. Jobseeker's Benefit can be paid for a maximum of **9 months** (234 days) to people who have less than 260 paid contributions. (Refers to new claims).

Live Register Flows Live Register flows data is sourced from information collected by the Department of Social Protection. The aggregate of new registrations for each month is used in conjunction with the net change over the same period to calculate the outflow from the register. A new registration is defined as anybody on the Live Register in a particular month who was not on it the previous month. Inflows and outflows published in this release do not take account of inter-scheme activity within the Live Register. For example, if a claimant exhausts his/her entitlement to JB and opens a new JA claim this is counted as an outflow in JB and an inflow in JA.

Live Register Area Analysis The basis of the area analysis in Live Register statistics is the Department of Social Protection 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 e.g. data for the Cork City Office of Registration refers to all persons signing on in Cork City but may include persons not resident in Cork City. **The latest available Live Register data by Province, County and Local Office of Registration will be released on the CSO website through the CSO Main Data Dissemination Service, Database Direct one day after the publication of this release.**

NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions The Regional classifications 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

Border	Cavan Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo
Midland	Laois Longford Offaly Westmeath
West	Galway City Galway County Mayo Roscommon

Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region

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

Occupations Live Register occupational data is sourced from information collected by the Department of Social Protection on the most recent occupation of claimants when they sign on the Live Register. The classification used is based on the UK Standard Occupational Classification (SOC). “No occupation” is an additional category and includes those who have never worked and those who have no stated occupation.

Age by Duration Analysis Duration of continuous registration on the Live Register was previously compiled on a half-yearly basis (April and October). The Live Register Age by Duration release has now been replaced by a monthly table in this release. The bi-annual release related to the second last Friday of the reference month but the monthly age by duration data since October 2009 corresponds to the end of month Live Register totals. **Detailed tables relating to regional and scheme data will continue to be made available on the CSO website through the CSO Main Data Dissemination Service, Database Direct on a bi-annual basis.**

Casual and part-time workers The casual and part-time workers’ figure is based on data supplied by the Department of Social Protection. People may apply for Jobseekers Benefit or Jobseekers Allowance if they only work for part of a week and be included on the Live Register.

Nationality Data in the nationality grouping table is sourced from information collected by the Department of Social Protection on the nationality of claimants when they first sign on the Live Register.

CSO StatBank More detailed information on geographic breakdowns of the Live Register and duration of continuous registration along with all Live Register published data can be found on the CSO Main Data Dissemination Service, StatBank on the CSO website

<http://www.cso.ie/>

Go to:

- > Databases
- > StatBank (CSO Main Dissemination Service)
- > Labour Market and Earnings
- > Labour Force
- > Live Register

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