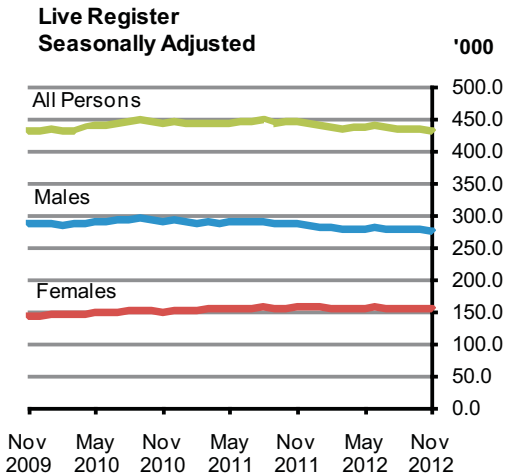




Live Register November 2012



	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted	Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR)%
November 2011	429,567	445,800	14.8
October 2012	420,172	433,800	14.7
November 2012	417,277	432,300	14.6
			Percentage Points
Change in month	-	- 1,500	-0.1
Change in year	- 12,290	-	-0.2

Seasonally adjusted Live Register shows slight decrease in November

On a seasonally adjusted basis the Live Register total recorded a monthly decrease of 1,500 in November 2012, bringing the seasonally adjusted total to 432,300. *See table 2a.*

The standardised unemployment rate (SUR) in November 2012 was 14.6%, down from 14.7% in October 2012. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate from the most recent Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) was 14.8% in the third quarter of 2012. *See table 3.*

In unadjusted terms there were 417,277 people signing on the Live Register in November 2012. This represents an annual decrease of 12,290 (-2.9%). The trend in the overall Live Register continues to be one of movement within a small range. *See table 1a.*

Other features include:

- ◆ On a seasonally adjusted basis the Live Register showed a monthly decrease of 1,700 males in November 2012, while females increased by 200 over the same period. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The number of male claimants decreased by 10,156 (-3.7%) to 266,370 over the year and female claimants decreased by 2,134 (-1.4%) to 150,907. This compares with a decrease of 3,702 (-1.3%) to 276,526 for males and an increase of 8,267 (+5.7%) to 153,041 for females in the year to November 2011. *See table 1a.*

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 Jobseeker's Benefit or Allowance. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest estimated number of persons unemployed as of the third quarter of 2012 was 324,500.

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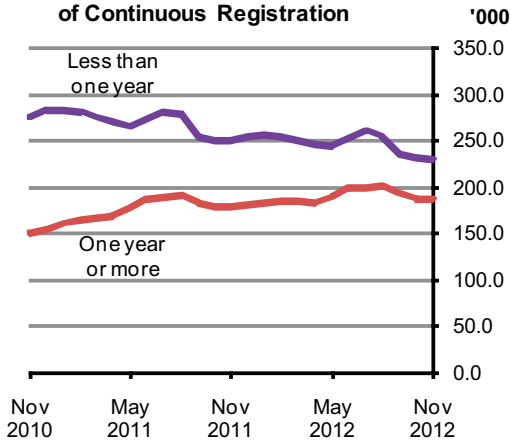
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Live Register classified by Duration of Continuous Registration



Live Register duration of continuous registration

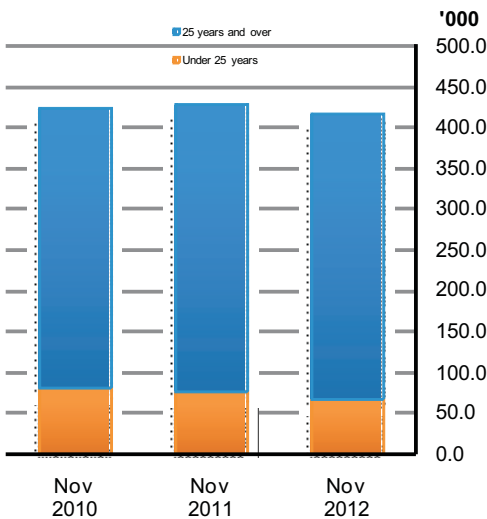
The number of long term claimants on the Live Register in November 2012 was 186,562. The number of male long term claimants increased by 1,358 (+1.0%) in the year to November 2012, while the comparable increase for females was 5,314 (+10.7%) giving an overall annual increase of 6,672 (+3.7%) in the number of long term claimants. *See table 7 and graph opposite.*

In November 55.3% (230,715) of all claimants on the Live Register were short term claimants. The comparable figure for November 2011 was 58.1% (249,677). The annual fall of 18,962 (-7.6%) in the number of short term claimants consisted of a decrease of 11,514 (-7.9%) in the number of male short term claimants and a decrease of 7,448 (-7.2%) in female short term claimants.

Live Register casual and part-time workers

There were 87,481 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register in November, which represents 21.0% of the total Live Register. This compares with 20.2% one year earlier when there were 86,612 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register. In the year to November 2012 the number of casual and part-time workers increased by 869 (+1.0%), with the number of males increasing by 1,781 (+3.9%) and the number of females decreasing by 912 (-2.2%). *See table 8.*

Live Register classified by Age Group



Live Register age groups

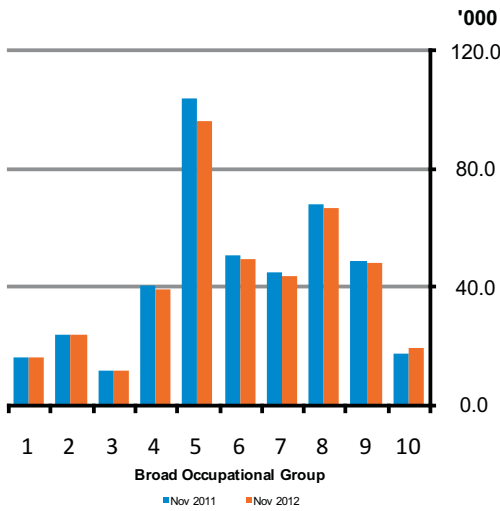
In the year to November 2012 the number of persons aged 25 and over on the Live Register decreased by 3,903 (-1.1%), and the number of persons aged under 25 decreased by 8,387 (-11.1%). Annual decreases in persons aged under 25 have occurred in all months since July 2010. The percentage of persons aged under 25 on the Live Register now stands at 16.1% for November 2012, down from 17.6% in November 2011 and 18.9% in November 2010. *See tables 1b and 1c and graph opposite.*

Live Register new registrants

There were 43,392 new registrants on the Live Register in November 2012, consisting of 19,566 JB claims, 21,690 JA claims and 2,136 'Other Registrants'. Males accounted for 54.7% (23,750) and females 45.3% (19,642) of all new registrants. On average 4,750 male and 3,928 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 change in the total number on the Live Register is accounted for by closed claims and movements between schemes. *See table 4.*

Data on Activation Programmes for October 2012 is included in the Annex of this release. Persons participating in Activation Programmes are not included in the Live Register count.

Live Register classified by Last Held Occupation



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

Live Register by other classifications

Bearing in mind the overall annual decrease of 2.9% in the number of people on the Live Register in November the main other points which can be noted include:

- ◆ An annual increase of 1.0% brought the total number of Jobseeker's Allowance (JA) claimants to 302,830 in November 2012, while Jobseeker's Benefit (JB) claimants decreased to 81,320 (-18.0%) over the same period. As a result JA claimants account for 72.6% of all persons on the Live Register in November 2012 compared with 69.8% a year earlier. *See table 1a.*
- ◆ Annual decreases occurred in seven of the eight NUTS 3 regions with the largest percentage decrease in the Mid-West region (-4.8%). The only percentage increase occurred in the Midland region (+0.4%). *See table 5.*
- ◆ *Craft and related* (23.0%) remained the largest occupational group on the Live Register in November, despite the fact that the number in the group fell over the year by 7,936 (-7.6%) to 96,072. The second largest annual percentage decrease was in the *Clerical and secretarial* group (-4.5%). *See table 6 and graph opposite.*
- ◆ In November Irish nationals accounted for 82.3% (343,529) of the number of persons on the Live Register. Of the 73,748 non-Irish nationals, the largest constituent group on the Live Register was nationals from the EU15 to EU27 States (39,935), followed by the UK (16,695). *See table 9.*

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

Table 1a Total persons on the Live Register

Category	November 2011	October 2012	November 2012	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	52,336	43,519	43,211	- 308	- 9,125
JA Applications	213,285	213,313	211,367	- 1,946	- 1,918
Other Registrants	10,905	11,713	11,792	+ 79	+ 887
Total	276,526	268,545	266,370	- 2,175	- 10,156
Females					
JB Claims	46,878	38,099	38,109	+ 10	- 8,769
JA Applications	86,606	92,280	91,463	- 817	+ 4,857
Other Registrants	19,557	21,248	21,335	+ 87	+ 1,778
Total	153,041	151,627	150,907	- 720	- 2,134
All Persons					
JB Claims	99,214	81,618	81,320	- 298	- 17,894
JA Applications	299,891	305,593	302,830	- 2,763	+ 2,939
Other Registrants	30,462	32,961	33,127	+ 166	+ 2,665
Total	429,567	420,172	417,277	- 2,895	- 12,290

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

Category	November 2011	October 2012	November 2012	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	4,237	3,159	2,911	- 248	- 1,326
JA Applications	41,853	38,954	37,713	- 1,241	- 4,140
Other Registrants	108	99	90	- 9	- 18
Total	46,198	42,212	40,714	- 1,498	- 5,484
Females					
JB Claims	4,073	2,859	2,623	- 236	- 1,450
JA Applications	25,056	24,615	23,604	- 1,011	- 1,452
Other Registrants	229	230	228	- 2	- 1
Total	29,358	27,704	26,455	- 1,249	- 2,903
All Persons					
JB Claims	8,310	6,018	5,534	- 484	- 2,776
JA Applications	66,909	63,569	61,317	- 2,252	- 5,592
Other Registrants	337	329	318	- 11	- 19
Total	75,556	69,916	67,169	- 2,747	- 8,387

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

Category	November 2011	October 2012	November 2012	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	48,099	40,360	40,300	- 60	- 7,799
JA Applications	171,432	174,359	173,654	- 705	+ 2,222
Other Registrants	10,797	11,614	11,702	+ 88	+ 905
Total	230,328	226,333	225,656	- 677	- 4,672
Females					
JB Claims	42,805	35,240	35,486	+ 246	- 7,319
JA Applications	61,550	67,665	67,859	+ 194	+ 6,309
Other Registrants	19,328	21,018	21,107	+ 89	+ 1,779
Total	123,683	123,923	124,452	+ 529	+ 769
All Persons					
JB Claims	90,904	75,600	75,786	+ 186	- 15,118
JA Applications	232,982	242,024	241,513	- 511	+ 8,531
Other Registrants	30,125	32,632	32,809	+ 177	+ 2,684
Total	354,011	350,256	350,108	- 148	- 3,903

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
2010	November	280,200	144,800	425,000	290,900	151,900	442,800
	December	288,800	148,300	437,100	292,500	153,000	445,500
2011	January	292,000	150,700	442,700	288,900	153,500	442,300
	February	291,800	152,500	444,300	287,800	154,300	442,200
	March	290,200	151,000	441,200	288,900	155,500	444,400
	April	286,700	152,800	439,600	287,100	155,700	442,800
	May	288,300	152,700	440,900	288,900	155,900	444,800
	June	296,100	161,800	457,900	289,600	156,300	445,900
	July	297,800	172,500	470,300	289,400	157,600	447,000
	August	296,900	172,900	469,700	289,100	160,000	449,100
	September	282,000	155,500	437,400	286,900	156,500	443,400
	October	277,600	152,800	430,400	287,000	158,100	445,100
	November	276,500	153,000	429,600	286,100	159,600	445,800
	December	279,700	155,100	434,800	283,200	159,400	442,600
2012	January	283,900	155,700	439,600	281,600	158,500	440,100
	February	283,500	156,000	439,400	280,700	157,900	438,600
	March	280,200	153,800	434,100	279,200	157,200	436,500
	April	277,400	152,600	430,000	279,600	157,100	436,700
	May	278,800	154,100	432,900	279,600	157,600	437,200
	June	286,700	165,300	452,000	280,000	159,700	439,700
	July	287,800	172,500	460,300	279,200	157,800	437,000
	August	286,600	169,600	456,300	278,500	157,000	435,500
	September	273,800	155,500	429,300	278,100	156,900	434,900
	October	268,500	151,600	420,200	277,000	156,800	433,800
	November	266,400	150,900	417,300	275,300	157,000	432,300

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
2010	November	51,000	29,500	80,500	53,700	31,600	85,300
	December	52,100	29,200	81,300	53,600	31,500	85,100
2011	January	52,200	30,000	82,200	52,600	31,300	84,000
	February	51,900	30,200	82,100	51,900	31,300	83,200
	March	51,500	29,800	81,400	51,800	31,600	83,400
	April	49,900	29,500	79,400	51,500	31,400	82,900
	May	50,400	30,500	81,000	51,200	31,500	82,700
	June	53,300	33,700	87,000	50,900	31,200	82,100
	July	53,900	35,400	89,300	50,500	31,200	81,800
	August	53,300	35,500	88,800	49,900	31,200	81,100
	September	49,200	31,700	80,900	49,000	30,700	79,700
	October	47,400	30,300	77,700	49,000	31,000	80,000
	November	46,200	29,400	75,600	48,500	31,200	79,800
	December	45,900	28,500	74,300	47,300	30,600	77,900
2012	January	46,500	28,800	75,300	47,000	30,200	77,200
	February	46,200	28,700	74,900	46,500	29,800	76,300
	March	45,200	27,800	73,000	45,800	29,300	75,100
	April	43,900	27,000	70,900	45,500	29,100	74,700
	May	44,500	28,200	72,600	45,300	29,100	74,400
	June	47,600	31,500	79,100	45,300	29,100	74,500
	July	48,100	32,600	80,700	44,900	28,800	73,700
	August	47,900	32,500	80,400	44,600	28,500	73,200
	September	44,400	29,300	73,700	44,200	28,300	72,500
	October	42,200	27,700	69,900	43,600	28,200	71,800
	November	40,700	26,500	67,200	42,700	28,000	70,800

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
2010	November	229,200	115,300	344,500	237,200	120,400	357,500
	December	236,700	119,100	355,800	238,900	121,500	360,400
2011	January	239,800	120,700	360,400	236,200	122,100	358,400
	February	240,000	122,300	362,200	235,900	123,000	358,900
	March	238,700	121,100	359,800	237,100	123,900	361,000
	April	236,800	123,400	360,200	235,500	124,300	359,900
	May	237,900	122,100	360,000	237,600	124,500	362,100
	June	242,800	128,100	370,900	238,700	125,100	363,800
	July	243,800	137,100	381,000	238,800	126,400	365,200
	August	243,600	137,400	380,900	239,100	128,800	368,000
	September	232,800	123,700	356,600	237,900	125,900	363,800
	October	230,200	122,500	352,700	237,900	127,100	365,000
	November	230,300	123,700	354,000	237,600	128,400	366,000
	December	233,800	126,600	360,400	235,900	128,700	364,600
2012	January	237,400	126,900	364,200	234,600	128,300	362,900
	February	237,200	127,200	364,500	234,200	128,100	362,300
	March	235,100	126,000	361,100	233,500	127,900	361,400
	April	233,500	125,600	359,100	234,100	127,900	362,100
	May	234,300	126,000	360,300	234,300	128,500	362,800
	June	239,100	133,800	372,900	234,700	130,600	365,300
	July	239,700	139,900	379,600	234,300	129,000	363,300
	August	238,800	137,100	375,900	233,900	128,500	362,400
	September	229,400	126,300	355,600	233,900	128,500	362,400
	October	226,300	123,900	350,300	233,400	128,600	362,000
	November	225,700	124,500	350,100	232,600	129,000	361,500

¹ Table contains revised figures.

Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates (SUR)¹

Month	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	%	%	%	%	%	%
January	4.5	4.9	9.5	13.1	14.5	14.9
February ²	4.5	5.0	10.2	13.0	14.3	15.0
March	4.5	5.3	10.9	13.2	14.4	14.9
April	4.6	5.4	11.5	13.5	14.4	14.9
May ²	4.7	5.7	12.1	13.8	14.5	14.9
June	4.7	6.0	12.3	13.7	14.6	14.9
July	4.6	6.5	12.5	13.8	14.7	14.9
August ²	4.6	6.9	12.6	13.9	14.9	14.8 ³
September	4.7	7.2	12.9	14.3	14.7	14.8
October	4.8	7.7	13.0	14.5	14.7	14.7
November ²	4.9	8.1	13.0	14.7	14.8	14.6
December	4.9	8.6	13.0	14.6	14.8	
Annual average	4.7	6.4	12.0	13.8	14.6	

¹ Table contains revised figures. See Background Notes.

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

³ The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (adjusted for seasonality) is: July -Sept 2012, 14.8%.

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											
2011	November	4	52,336	8,891	9,101	- 53	46,878	9,755	9,344	+ 103	
	December	5	53,892	9,662	8,106	+ 311	48,771	8,745	6,852	+ 379	
2012	January	4	55,964	11,669	9,597	+ 518	48,369	10,242	10,644	- 101	
	February	4	55,317	8,814	9,461	- 162	47,937	8,136	8,568	- 108	
	March	5	53,266	9,215	11,266	- 410	45,706	7,103	9,334	- 446	
	April	4	51,678	7,471	9,059	- 397	44,534	9,252	10,424	- 293	
	May	4	50,379	6,629	7,928	- 325	43,610	5,858	6,782	- 231	
	June	5	49,815	8,362	8,926	- 113	46,974	10,633	7,269	+ 673	
	July	4	49,072	7,158	7,901	- 186	50,963	10,745	6,756	+ 997	
	August	5	47,230	7,278	9,120	- 368	46,824	6,837	10,976	- 828	
	September	4	44,251	6,226	9,205	- 745	39,412	5,752	13,164	- 1,853	
	October	4	43,519	7,258	7,990	- 183	38,099	5,850	7,163	- 328	
	November	5	43,211	9,493	9,801	- 62	38,109	10,073	10,063	+ 2	
JA Applications											
2011	November	4	213,285	11,142	12,162	- 255	86,606	6,601	7,023	- 106	
	December	5	214,817	11,762	10,230	+ 306	86,636	5,948	5,918	+ 6	
2012	January	4	216,706	11,651	9,762	+ 472	87,494	6,424	5,566	+ 215	
	February	4	216,743	11,044	11,007	+ 9	87,940	6,345	5,899	+ 112	
	March	5	215,295	12,102	13,550	- 290	87,559	6,694	7,075	- 76	
	April	4	213,894	9,275	10,676	- 350	87,270	5,333	5,622	- 72	
	May	4	216,412	10,185	7,667	+ 630	89,579	6,427	4,118	+ 577	
	June	5	224,793	15,411	7,030	+ 1,676	96,660	10,843	3,762	+ 1,416	
	July	4	226,574	11,278	9,497	+ 445	99,428	8,174	5,406	+ 692	
	August	5	227,251	12,667	11,990	+ 135	100,535	8,008	6,901	+ 221	
	September	4	217,633	11,798	21,416	- 2,405	94,578	7,474	13,431	- 1,489	
	October	4	213,313	11,666	15,986	- 1,080	92,280	7,001	9,299	- 575	
	November	5	211,367	13,524	15,470	- 389	91,463	8,166	8,983	- 163	
Other Registrants											
2011	November	4	10,905	577	416	+ 40	19,557	1,193	978	+ 54	
	December	5	11,014	689	580	+ 22	19,654	1,125	1,028	+ 19	
2012	January	4	11,223	734	525	+ 52	19,833	1,309	1,130	+ 45	
	February	4	11,390	595	428	+ 42	20,095	1,168	906	+ 66	
	March	5	11,682	825	533	+ 58	20,546	1,295	844	+ 90	
	April	4	11,836	569	415	+ 39	20,789	1,183	940	+ 61	
	May	4	11,972	500	364	+ 34	20,955	806	640	+ 42	
	June	5	12,103	651	520	+ 26	21,629	1,509	835	+ 135	
	July	4	12,144	565	524	+ 10	22,142	1,707	1,194	+ 128	
	August	5	12,144	546	546	0	22,272	1,370	1,240	+ 26	
	September	4	11,905	493	732	- 60	21,556	976	1,692	- 179	
	October	4	11,713	557	749	- 48	21,248	937	1,245	- 77	
	November	5	11,792	733	654	+ 16	21,335	1,403	1,316	+ 17	

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	November 2011	October 2012	November 2012	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Border, Midland and Western	84,314	82,010	81,686	- 324	- 2,628	13,033	68,653
Border	38,791	37,562	37,378	- 184	- 1,413	6,226	31,152
Midland	21,076	20,945	20,748	- 197	- 328	3,259	17,489
West	24,447	23,503	23,560	+ 57	- 887	3,548	20,012
Southern and Eastern	192,212	186,535	184,684	- 1,851	- 7,528	27,681	157,003
Dublin	67,387	66,373	65,396	- 977	- 1,991	10,116	55,280
Mid-East	26,359	25,252	25,155	- 97	- 1,204	3,734	21,421
Mid-West	23,831	22,987	22,640	- 347	- 1,191	3,434	19,206
South-East	36,418	35,142	35,309	+ 167	- 1,109	5,541	29,768
South-West	38,217	36,781	36,184	- 597	- 2,033	4,856	31,328
Total	276,526	268,545	266,370	- 2,175	- 10,156	40,714	225,656
Females							
Border, Midland and Western	48,034	48,157	48,076	- 81	+ 42	8,874	39,202
Border	21,830	21,639	21,565	- 74	- 265	4,070	17,495
Midland	11,629	12,125	12,074	- 51	+ 445	2,440	9,634
West	14,575	14,393	14,437	+ 44	- 138	2,364	12,073
Southern and Eastern	105,007	103,470	102,831	- 639	- 2,176	17,581	85,250
Dublin	34,714	34,862	34,217	- 645	- 497	6,041	28,176
Mid-East	15,027	14,883	14,765	- 118	- 262	2,369	12,396
Mid-West	13,872	13,345	13,242	- 103	- 630	2,280	10,962
South-East	19,836	19,815	19,652	- 163	- 184	3,641	16,011
South-West	21,558	20,565	20,955	+ 390	- 603	3,250	17,705
Total	153,041	151,627	150,907	- 720	- 2,134	26,455	124,452
All Persons							
Border, Midland and Western	132,348	130,167	129,762	- 405	- 2,586	21,907	107,855
Border	60,621	59,201	58,943	- 258	- 1,678	10,296	48,647
Midland	32,705	33,070	32,822	- 248	+ 117	5,699	27,123
West	39,022	37,896	37,997	+ 101	- 1,025	5,912	32,085
Southern and Eastern	297,219	290,005	287,515	- 2,490	- 9,704	45,262	242,253
Dublin	102,101	101,235	99,613	- 1,622	- 2,488	16,157	83,456
Mid-East	41,386	40,135	39,920	- 215	- 1,466	6,103	33,817
Mid-West	37,703	36,332	35,882	- 450	- 1,821	5,714	30,168
South-East	56,254	54,957	54,961	+ 4	- 1,293	9,182	45,779
South-West	59,775	57,346	57,139	- 207	- 2,636	8,106	49,033
Total	429,567	420,172	417,277	- 2,895	- 12,290	67,169	350,108

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	November 2011	October 2012	November 2012	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Managers and administrators	9,903	9,845	9,826	- 19	- 77	404	9,422
Professional	11,675	11,405	11,146	- 259	- 529	1,032	10,114
Associate professional and technical	7,165	6,986	6,908	- 78	- 257	907	6,001
Clerical and secretarial	11,121	11,058	10,866	- 192	- 255	1,458	9,408
Craft and related	96,726	90,097	88,790	- 1,307	- 7,936	9,327	79,463
Personal and protective service	18,276	17,670	18,006	+ 336	- 270	2,779	15,227
Sales	17,099	17,475	17,103	- 372	+ 4	5,022	12,081
Plant and machine operatives	53,444	52,712	52,562	- 150	- 882	6,681	45,881
Other occupation	39,814	38,759	38,798	+ 39	- 1,016	7,477	31,321
No occupation ¹	11,303	12,538	12,365	- 173	+ 1,062	5,627	6,738
Total	276,526	268,545	266,370	- 2,175	- 10,156	40,714	225,656
Females							
Managers and administrators	6,572	6,600	6,660	+ 60	+ 88	218	6,442
Professional	12,555	13,153	12,846	- 307	+ 291	1,066	11,780
Associate professional and technical	5,234	5,254	5,196	- 58	- 38	540	4,656
Clerical and secretarial	30,028	28,540	28,442	- 98	- 1,586	1,906	26,536
Craft and related	7,282	7,211	7,282	+ 71	0	1,074	6,208
Personal and protective service	32,621	31,433	31,978	+ 545	- 643	6,323	25,655
Sales	28,095	27,648	27,064	- 584	- 1,031	6,587	20,477
Plant and machine operatives	14,941	14,767	14,695	- 72	- 246	2,354	12,341
Other occupation	9,376	9,704	9,546	- 158	+ 170	2,841	6,705
No occupation ¹	6,337	7,317	7,198	- 119	+ 861	3,546	3,652
Total	153,041	151,627	150,907	- 720	- 2,134	26,455	124,452
All Persons							
Managers and administrators	16,475	16,445	16,486	+ 41	+ 11	622	15,864
Professional	24,230	24,558	23,992	- 566	- 238	2,098	21,894
Associate professional and technical	12,399	12,240	12,104	- 136	- 295	1,447	10,657
Clerical and secretarial	41,149	39,598	39,308	- 290	- 1,841	3,364	35,944
Craft and related	104,008	97,308	96,072	- 1,236	- 7,936	10,401	85,671
Personal and protective service	50,897	49,103	49,984	+ 881	- 913	9,102	40,882
Sales	45,194	45,123	44,167	- 956	- 1,027	11,609	32,558
Plant and machine operatives	68,385	67,479	67,257	- 222	- 1,128	9,035	58,222
Other occupation	49,190	48,463	48,344	- 119	- 846	10,318	38,026
No occupation ¹	17,640	19,855	19,563	- 292	+ 1,923	9,173	10,390
Total	429,567	420,172	417,277	- 2,895	- 12,290	67,169	350,108

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	November 2011	October 2012	November 2012	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Less than one year	146,199	135,596	134,685	- 911	- 11,514	24,840	109,845
One year or more	130,327	132,949	131,685	- 1,264	+ 1,358	15,874	115,811
Total	276,526	268,545	266,370	- 2,175	- 10,156	40,714	225,656
Females							
Less than one year	103,478	96,459	96,030	- 429	- 7,448	18,239	77,791
One year or more	49,563	55,168	54,877	- 291	+ 5,314	8,216	46,661
Total	153,041	151,627	150,907	- 720	- 2,134	26,455	124,452
All Persons							
Less than one year	249,677	232,055	230,715	- 1,340	- 18,962	43,079	187,636
One year or more	179,890	188,117	186,562	- 1,555	+ 6,672	24,090	162,472
Total	429,567	420,172	417,277	- 2,895	- 12,290	67,169	350,108

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

		Males	Monthly change	Females	Monthly change	All Persons	Monthly change
2010	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
	September	44,731	- 581	39,286	- 698	84,017	- 1,279
	October	45,234	+ 503	39,795	+ 509	85,029	+ 1,012
	November	45,914	+ 680	40,698	+ 903	86,612	+ 1,583
	December	46,044	+ 130	40,771	+ 73	86,815	+ 203
2012	January	46,256	+ 212	40,773	+ 2	87,029	+ 214
	February	47,038	+ 782	41,176	+ 403	88,214	+ 1,185
	March	47,539	+ 501	41,177	+ 1	88,716	+ 502
	April	47,614	+ 75	40,828	- 349	88,442	- 274
	May	47,626	+ 12	40,438	- 390	88,064	- 378
	June	47,891	+ 265	40,574	+ 136	88,465	+ 401
	July	47,797	- 94	40,244	- 330	88,041	- 424
	August	47,569	- 228	39,585	- 659	87,154	- 887
	September	46,643	- 926	38,447	- 1,138	85,090	- 2,064
	October	46,829	+ 186	38,834	+ 387	85,663	+ 573
	November	47,695	+ 866	39,786	+ 952	87,481	+ 1,818

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
2010	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
	September	17,894	3,586	40,000	13,941	75,421	362,020	437,441
	October	17,708	3,545	40,202	13,582	75,037	355,395	430,432
	November	17,648	3,571	40,788	13,512	75,519	354,048	429,567
	December	17,798	3,605	41,263	13,554	76,220	358,564	434,784
2012	January	17,827	3,648	42,831	13,845	78,151	361,438	439,589
	February	17,783	3,685	43,341	13,946	78,755	360,667	439,422
	March	17,521	3,608	43,025	13,926	78,080	355,974	434,054
	April	17,337	3,558	42,268	13,852	77,015	352,986	430,001
	May	17,447	3,551	41,634	14,151	76,783	356,124	432,907
	June	18,054	3,770	41,360	15,072	78,256	373,718	451,974
	July	18,290	3,756	41,167	15,209	78,422	381,901	460,323
	August	18,143	3,700	40,629	15,277	77,749	378,507	456,256
	September	17,135	3,525	39,335	14,324	74,319	355,016	429,335
	October	16,767	3,477	39,347	13,906	73,497	346,675	420,172
	November	16,695	3,530	39,935	13,588	73,748	343,529	417,277

Annex - Activation Programmes

The table below contains the end of October 2012 data on the number of people availing of a range of programmes targeted primarily at the long-term unemployed (over 12 months) and other welfare recipients, including Lone Parents.

There were 81,620 people availing of these programmes in October 2012, which is an increase of 5,263 (+6.9%) from the previous year, when there were 76,357 people in activation programmes.

Persons on activation programmes are not counted as part of the monthly Live Register.

Live Register Activation Programmes

	October 2011	September 2012	October 2012
Back to Work Schemes			
Back to Work allowance scheme - Employee strand ¹	240	32	25
Back to Work Enterprise allowance scheme -self employed strand	10,359	10,965	10,919
Short-term Enterprise Allowance ²	1,233	1,145	1,131
Total Back to Work payments	11,832	12,142	12,075
Other Activation Programmes			
DSP Part-time Job Incentive ³	190	190	190
TUS - Community Work Placement Initiative (2011)	1,337	4,432	4,491
JobBridge (2011)	2,185	4,892	5,236
Total Other Activation Programmes	3,712	9,514	9,917
Community Employment Schemes (excluding Supervisors)	21,958	21,243	21,174
FAS Full Time Training for Unemployed People⁴	9,313	8,576	9,707
Back to Education Courses			
Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) ⁵	N/A	N/A	N/A
Back to Education Allowance (BTEA) ⁶	24,542	16,974	23,747
Total Back to Education Courses	29,542	21,974	28,747
Total Activation Programmes	76,357	73,449	81,620

¹ This scheme was closed to new applications from 1st May 2009.

² This scheme was introduced from 1st May 2009. It provides immediate support for someone in receipt of Jobseekers Benefit who wants to start a business.

³ The DSP Part Time Job Incentive figure for October 2012 was not available for this publication. The figure for April 2012 is used as an estimate

⁴ Specific Skills Training/Local Training initiative/Traineeship/Return to Work. Breakdown became available for April 2012 Live Register release.

⁵ VTOS figures are estimated at 5,000 each year.

⁶ BTEA figures include all schemes but participants from JA & JB are not entitled to BTEA during the summer holidays.

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 of 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:
November 2012 – 27th October to 30th November 2012
November 2011 – 29th October to 25th November 2011

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 and 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 Q3 2012 (adjusted for seasonality) are:

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	%	%	%	%
2007	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.9
2008	5.0	5.7	6.9	8.1
2009	10.2	12.1	12.6	13.0
2010	13.0	13.8	13.9	14.7
2011	14.3	14.5	14.9	14.8
2012	15.0	14.9	14.8	

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).

All Live Register series are updated monthly with the latest three years of seasonally adjusted data as part of the concurrent approach. The comprehensive annual review contains revisions to the entire series. Revisions to the series are typically very minor in scale.

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

Jobseeker's Benefit Duration Prior to 19 January 2004 Jobseeker's 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 claim).

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 Local 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, StatBank 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, StatBank 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 Jobseeker’s Benefit or Jobseeker’s 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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