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- The number of women in the Labour Force has increased. The female participation in 1985 was around 30% and in 2004 was over 49%.
- From 1983 to 2004 the number of persons in employment increased from 1.1 million to over 1.8 million.
- Since 1984 the number of persons unemployed decreased by almost 120,000 to 84,200 in 2004.
- In 2003 almost 23% of the population was at risk of poverty, while 9.4% was considered to be in consistent poverty.
- In 2004 the annual average number of persons on the Live Register was 166,013, of which just under 32,000 were aged 25 and over.
- In April 2004 11.2% of persons on the Live Register had a duration of continuous registration of 3 years and over.
- In 2004 there were 20,784 days lost due to 11 industrial disputes in which over 10,200 workers were involved. This is the lowest number of days lost on record.

## Introduction

The statistics presented in this chapter show developments in the Irish labour force and are based mainly on results from the Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) and its predecessor, the annual Labour Force Survey (LFS). Results from QNHS ad hoc modules published in 2004 on Crime and Victimization, Pensions, Educational Attainment and Disability are also included.

Indicators relating to poverty and social exclusion are also presented in this chapter, the source of which is EU-SILC (Survey on Income and Living Conditions). This is a new national survey carried out by the CSO, the first results of which were collected in the latter half of 2003 and published in January 2005.

The latter part of the chapter contains mainly administrative data, compiled by the CSO, showing the trends in the number of persons on the Live Register as well as details of industrial disputes. The final table in the chapter gives information on notified redundancies as compiled by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

## Labour Force

Table 2.1 illustrates the substantial growth of the labour force (ILO) and the numbers in employment since 1983. The total number at work was just over 1.1 million in 1984. By 1994, this had increased to over 1.2 million and then increased by over 615,000 between 1994 and 2004 to 1,836,200. The increased population of working age coupled with higher female participation rates have each contributed to the high labour force growth in recent years. Ireland's female labour force participation rate reached 49.4% in 2004 compared with around 30% in 1985.

The numbers at work in the Services sector increased by over 280,000, or 30%, between 1998 and 2004 while there was just over 78,000 more at work in Industry. Employment in Agriculture continued to fall and now accounts for 6.4% of total employment.

In 1984, the number of persons unemployed stood at 204,300 and this represented approximately one seventh of the labour force. With some variations, unemployment remained at this level over the following decade. However, it subsequently declined to reach 84,200 or just 4.4% of the labour force in 2004. The fall in unemployment has been concentrated amongst those unemployed for one year and over (long-term unemployed) where the number has fallen from 63,600 in 1998 to 26,300 in 2004.

Tables 2.10, 2.11 and 2.12 provide an insight into crime statistics in Ireland and are taken from the quarter 4 2003 ad hoc module on Crime and Victimization.

Table 2.13 provides information on pension coverage in the state for persons in employment aged 20 to 69 years and is taken from the quarter 1 2004 ad hoc update module on Pensions.

Tables 2.14 and 2.15 give details of the highest level of education attained by people in Ireland and are taken from the ad hoc module on Educational Attainment published in January 2004.

Tables 2.16 and 2.17 provide data on the labour market situation of persons with disabilities and are taken from the quarter 1 2004 ad hoc update module on Disability.

### **EU-SILC (Survey on Income and Living Conditions)**

Table 2.18 illustrates the extent of poverty in Ireland and highlights certain vulnerable groups. Almost 23% of the population were considered at risk of poverty, with persons living alone and members of lone parent households most at risk of poverty at 44.9% and 42.3% respectively.

When evidence of monetary poverty is combined with reported levels of enforced deprivation, 9.4% of persons were considered 'consistently poor' (table 2.19). Particular high-risk groups include children, members of lone parent households, the unemployed and the ill or disabled.

### **Industrial Disputes**

In 2004, 11 disputes were in progress in which over 10,200 workers were involved and almost 21,000 days were lost. This is the lowest number of days lost on record.

### **Live Register**

The Live Register consists of the following classes of persons under 65 years of age who are registered at local offices of the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs:

- 1 all claimants for Unemployment Benefit (UB) excluding systematic short-time workers.
- 2 applicants for Unemployment Assistance (UA) excluding smallholders and other self-employed.
- 3 other registrants including applicants for credited social welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.

*The Live Register is not designed to measure unemployment.* It includes part-time (working up to 3 days per week), seasonal and casual workers entitled to Unemployment Assistance/Benefit. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey (see above).

The numbers on the Live Register declined from over 254,000 in 1997 to just over 166,000 in 2004. The number of males on the Register declined by over 38% while the number of females declined by 29% in the same

period. Approximately 30% of registrants were in the Dublin Region in 1997 but this proportion had fallen to almost 26% by 2004.

### **Redundancies**

23,000 redundancies were notified in 2004. Over 9,100 were in the industrial sector while almost 4,700 were in the Distributive Trades and a further 2,500 in the Banking, Finance & Insurance sector.



### Tables 2.1-2.9 QNHS

QNHS (Quarterly National Household Survey) was introduced in quarter 4 of 1997 to replace LFS.

QNHS data refer to March-May quarter (unless otherwise stated); LFS data refers to April.

### ILO Labour Force Classification

The primary classification used for the QNHS results is the ILO labour force classification. The ILO classification distinguishes the following main subgroups of the population aged 15 or over:

*In employment* Persons who worked in the week before the survey for one hour or more for payment or profit, including work on the family farm or business and all persons who had a job but were not at work because of illness, holidays etc. in the week

*Unemployed* Persons who, in the week before the survey, were without work and available for work and had taken specific steps, in the preceding four weeks, to find work.

*Labour force* The labour force comprises persons employed plus unemployed.

*Inactive Population* All other persons.

### Participation, employment and unemployment rates

The participation rate is the number of persons in the labour force expressed as a percentage of the total population aged 15 or over. The employment rate is the number of employed persons aged 15 to 64 expressed as a percentage of the total population aged 15 to 64. The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the total labour force.

### Principal Economic Status

Results are also available using the Principal Economic Status (PES) classification. The PES classification is based on a single question in which respondents are asked what is their usual situation with regard to employment and given nine response categories to choose from.

### NACE Economic Sector

The QNHS sectoral employment figures are based on the EU NACE classification.

### Occupational Groupings

The classification system used is based on the 1990 UK Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) with some modifications to reflect the Irish labour market.

### Discontinuities

The QNHS involves a more detailed questionnaire than the former LFS and elicits more information about part-time employment.

The annual increase of 114,600 observed in the ILO numbers in employment between spring 1997 (LFS) and 1998 (QNHS) included almost 20,000 more students and about 5,000 more women working in the home who also had a job. The CSO is attributing 20,000 of the observed annual increase in ILO employment in the year to March-May 1998 to the improved coverage of part-time employment, giving an underlying change for the year of 95,000.

### Table 2.10

'Any crime' refers to victims of theft with or without violence or physical assault.

'Total victims of any crime' – A person could be the victim of more than one crime; hence the figure will not necessarily equal the sum of all crimes.

**Table 2.12**

'Theft of vehicles', 'Theft from vehicles', 'Theft of bicycles' – percentage of households with a motor vehicle or bicycle respectively.

'Victims of any crime' – Any crime refers to victims of burglary, motor vehicle crime, theft of bicycles or vandalism.

**Table 2.13**

The National Pensions Policy Initiative set a target of 70% supplementary pension coverage for all persons in employment aged 30 and over.

**Tables 2.18-2.19 EU-SILC**

**At-risk-of-poverty rate**

This is the share of persons with an equivalised income below a given percentage (usually 60%) of the national median income. The rate is calculated by ranking persons by their equivalised income from smallest to largest and the median or middle value is extracted. Anyone with an equivalised income of less than 60% of the median is considered at-risk-of-poverty at a 60% level.

**Consistent poverty**

An individual is defined as being in 'consistent poverty' if they are identified as being at risk of poverty and living in a household deprived of one or more of eight basic deprivation indicators.

**Tables 2.20-2.22 Industrial Disputes**

The information on industrial disputes is compiled by the CSO, on the basis of details supplied by the Monitoring Unit of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, and on information collected directly from other sources. Disputes which were settled without involving a stoppage of work are not included, nor are those disputes which lasted less than one day, or which involved an aggregate loss of less than ten days.

Table 2.1 Total number of persons in employment, unemployed and in labour force (ILO)

Thousands

Year	In employment	Unemployed	Labour force
1983	1,144.1	180.8	1,324.9
1984	1,121.9	204.3	1,326.2
1985	1,096.8	219.6	1,316.4
1986	1,095.1	225.5	1,320.6
1987	1,110.5	226.0	1,336.5
1988	1,110.7	217.0	1,327.7
1989	1,111.0	196.8	1,307.8
1990	1,159.7	172.4	1,332.1
1991	1,155.9	198.5	1,354.4
1992	1,165.2	206.6	1,371.8
1993	1,183.1	220.1	1,403.2
1994	1,220.6	211.0	1,431.6
1995	1,281.7	177.4	1,459.2
1996	1,328.5	179.0	1,507.5
1997	1,379.9	159.0	1,539.0
1998	1,494.0	126.4	1,620.4
1999	1,589.1	96.9	1,685.9
2000	1,671.4	74.5	1,745.9
2001	1,721.9	65.1	1,787.0
2002	1,763.9	77.0	1,840.9
2003	1,793.4	82.1	1,875.5
2004	1,836.2	84.2	1,920.3

Source: CSO

Labour force status

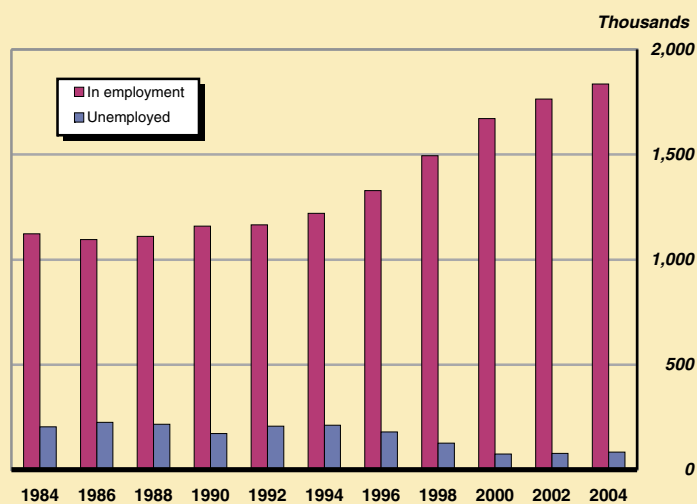


Table 2.2 Persons aged 15 years and over classified by sex and ILO economic status

Thousands

ILO economic status	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Males</b>							
<b>In labour force</b>	<b>979.4</b>	<b>1,007.4</b>	<b>1,037.6</b>	<b>1,058.8</b>	<b>1,076.6</b>	<b>1,092.7</b>	<b>1,119.6</b>
In employment	900.7	948.0	992.6	1,019.0	1,027.7	1,040.9	1,065.2
full-time	830.2	878.2	920.8	953.0	961.1	971.1	1,000.2
part-time	70.5	69.9	71.8	66.1	66.6	69.8	64.9
part-time, not underemployed	64.8	66.9	70.1	64.9	65.2	68.1	63.5
part-time, underemployed	5.6	2.9	1.7	1.2	1.4	1.7	1.5
Unemployed	78.8	59.4	44.9	39.8	48.8	51.7	54.4
seeking full-time work	75.8	56.8	42.6	37.5	46.7	48.7	52.1
seeking part-time work	3.0	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.2	3.0	2.3
<b>Not in labour force</b>	<b>430.1</b>	<b>424.5</b>	<b>420.2</b>	<b>429.4</b>	<b>445.6</b>	<b>457.1</b>	<b>459.1</b>
Marginally attached to the Labour Force	11.0	10.2	7.8	7.4	7.7	8.2	6.3
Others	419.2	414.3	412.4	422.0	437.9	448.9	452.8
<b>Total males aged 15 or over</b>	<b>1,409.5</b>	<b>1,431.9</b>	<b>1,457.8</b>	<b>1,488.2</b>	<b>1,522.1</b>	<b>1,549.8</b>	<b>1,578.7</b>
<b>Unemployment rate %</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>
<b>Participation rate %</b>	<b>69.5</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>71.2</b>	<b>71.1</b>	<b>70.7</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>70.9</b>
<b>Females</b>							
<b>In labour force</b>	<b>641.0</b>	<b>678.5</b>	<b>708.4</b>	<b>728.2</b>	<b>764.3</b>	<b>782.8</b>	<b>800.8</b>
In employment	593.4	641.0	678.8	702.8	736.1	752.5	771.0
full-time	413.6	444.0	469.3	482.5	510.4	517.0	524.8
part-time	179.8	197.0	209.5	220.4	225.7	235.4	246.2
part-time, not underemployed	175.1	194.0	207.6	219.1	224.2	233.7	243.9
part-time, underemployed	4.7	3.0	1.9	1.3	1.5	1.7	2.3
Unemployed	47.6	37.5	29.6	25.4	28.2	30.4	29.8
seeking full-time work	29.4	23.2	18.3	15.8	18.5	20.2	19.6
seeking part-time work	18.3	14.3	11.2	9.5	9.7	10.1	10.2
<b>Not in labour force</b>	<b>816.7</b>	<b>800.6</b>	<b>795.4</b>	<b>803.3</b>	<b>803.3</b>	<b>812.5</b>	<b>821.1</b>
Marginally attached to the Labour Force	8.6	6.5	4.4	3.3	3.4	3.9	3.6
Others	808.2	794.1	790.9	800.0	799.9	808.6	817.5
<b>Total females aged 15 or over</b>	<b>1,457.7</b>	<b>1,479.2</b>	<b>1,503.7</b>	<b>1,531.5</b>	<b>1,567.7</b>	<b>1,595.3</b>	<b>1,621.9</b>
<b>Unemployment rate %</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>Participation rate %</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>45.9</b>	<b>47.1</b>	<b>47.5</b>	<b>48.8</b>	<b>49.1</b>	<b>49.4</b>
<b>All persons</b>							
<b>In labour force</b>	<b>1,620.4</b>	<b>1,685.9</b>	<b>1,745.9</b>	<b>1,787.0</b>	<b>1,840.9</b>	<b>1,875.5</b>	<b>1,920.3</b>
In employment	1,494.0	1,589.1	1,671.4	1,721.9	1,763.9	1,793.4	1,836.2
full-time	1,243.8	1,322.2	1,390.1	1,435.4	1,471.5	1,488.2	1,525.0
part-time	250.2	266.9	281.4	286.5	292.3	305.2	311.1
part-time, not underemployed	240.0	261.0	277.7	284.0	289.4	301.7	307.4
part-time, underemployed	10.3	5.9	3.6	2.5	2.9	3.5	3.7
Unemployed	126.4	96.9	74.5	65.1	77.0	82.1	84.2
seeking full-time work	105.2	80.0	60.9	53.3	65.2	69.0	71.7
seeking part-time work	21.3	16.9	13.5	11.8	11.8	13.1	12.4
<b>Not in labour force</b>	<b>1,246.8</b>	<b>1,225.1</b>	<b>1,215.6</b>	<b>1,232.6</b>	<b>1,248.9</b>	<b>1,269.6</b>	<b>1,280.3</b>
Marginally attached to the Labour Force	19.5	16.8	12.2	10.7	11.1	12.1	10.0
Others	1,227.3	1,208.4	1,203.4	1,222.0	1,237.8	1,257.5	1,270.3
<b>Total persons aged 15 or over</b>	<b>2,867.3</b>	<b>2,911.1</b>	<b>2,961.5</b>	<b>3,019.7</b>	<b>3,089.8</b>	<b>3,145.1</b>	<b>3,200.6</b>
<b>Unemployment rate %</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.4</b>
<b>Participation rate %</b>	<b>56.5</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>59.0</b>	<b>59.2</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>60.0</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 2.3 Persons aged 15 years and over in employment (ILO) classified by sex and NACE economic sector**

Thousands

Economic sector	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Broad Economic Sector</b>							
Agriculture	136.0	137.3	132.9	122.5	124.0	116.6	117.0
Industry	428.4	449.8	475.7	498.1	487.2	497.5	506.5
Services	929.6	1,002.0	1,062.8	1,101.3	1,152.6	1,179.3	1,212.7
<b>Economic Sector (NACE Rev. 1)</b>							
<b>Males</b>							
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	120.0	121.6	118.1	109.2	111.4	102.9	105.8
Other production industries	210.5	215.0	212.8	222.7	214.8	217.3	208.8
Construction	120.6	135.9	159.1	172.0	173.2	181.9	195.7
Wholesale and retail trade	117.1	118.1	125.6	131.0	125.8	127.7	131.3
Hotels and restaurants	40.4	41.6	43.8	43.1	44.7	48.4	49.4
Transport, storage and communication	65.7	72.3	76.1	81.7	82.6	85.0	87.2
Financial and other business services	85.4	98.9	106.9	110.5	114.3	116.2	120.9
Public administration and defence	43.4	45.3	46.3	46.0	49.1	51.3	48.8
Education	32.4	32.8	33.8	32.6	34.3	34.6	33.2
Health	26.0	25.0	27.4	27.8	31.8	33.7	33.8
Other services	39.2	41.5	42.8	42.4	45.8	42.0	50.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>900.7</b>	<b>948.0</b>	<b>992.6</b>	<b>1,019.0</b>	<b>1,027.7</b>	<b>1,040.9</b>	<b>1,065.2</b>
<b>Females</b>							
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	16.0	15.7	14.8	13.3	12.7	13.7	11.1
Other production industries	91.9	92.7	96.7	95.4	90.2	88.9	91.8
Construction	5.4	6.2	7.1	7.9	9.0	9.4	10.3
Wholesale and retail trade	94.0	104.4	109.6	116.8	120.9	124.0	128.9
Hotels and restaurants	57.5	60.4	64.3	60.7	59.5	66.0	58.4
Transport, storage and communication	21.3	23.8	25.3	29.4	29.1	27.0	26.0
Financial and other business services	85.7	95.7	103.9	106.5	114.6	110.9	116.1
Public administration and defence	27.5	29.2	32.0	35.3	41.5	41.0	40.7
Education	60.9	67.8	69.0	71.2	77.0	81.4	84.7
Health	87.9	95.2	105.6	116.3	127.6	136.2	143.3
Other services	45.3	49.9	50.5	50.1	54.1	53.7	59.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>593.4</b>	<b>641.0</b>	<b>678.8</b>	<b>702.8</b>	<b>736.1</b>	<b>752.5</b>	<b>771.0</b>
<b>All persons</b>							
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	136.0	137.3	132.9	122.5	124.0	116.6	117.0
Other production industries	302.4	307.7	309.5	318.1	305.0	306.1	300.6
Construction	126.1	142.1	166.2	180.0	182.2	191.4	206.0
Wholesale and retail trade	211.1	222.5	235.2	247.8	246.8	251.6	260.2
Hotels and restaurants	97.8	102.0	108.1	103.8	104.2	114.4	107.8
Transport, storage and communication	87.0	96.2	101.3	111.1	111.7	112.1	113.2
Financial and other business services	171.1	194.6	210.8	217.1	228.9	227.1	237.0
Public administration and defence	70.9	74.5	78.4	81.3	90.6	92.4	89.5
Education	93.3	100.6	102.8	103.8	111.3	116.1	117.9
Health	113.9	120.3	133.0	144.0	159.3	169.9	177.0
Other services	84.5	91.4	93.3	92.4	99.8	95.7	110.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,494.0</b>	<b>1,589.1</b>	<b>1,671.4</b>	<b>1,721.9</b>	<b>1,763.9</b>	<b>1,793.4</b>	<b>1,836.2</b>

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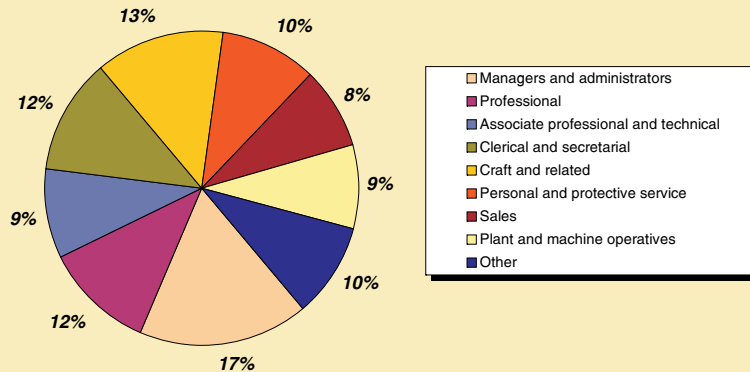
TABLE 2.3

**Table 2.4 Persons aged 15 years and over in employment (ILO) classified by sex and occupation**

Thousands

Broad occupational group	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Males</b>							
Managers and administrators	215.5	222.0	222.3	222.7	227.1	224.3	227.1
Professional	80.9	83.3	90.8	96.0	99.3	107.5	108.4
Associate professional and technical	53.5	58.1	62.2	66.6	65.2	70.2	72.3
Clerical and secretarial	47.4	51.1	50.0	51.7	54.1	51.0	53.1
Craft and related	184.9	202.2	213.0	219.2	213.4	228.4	231.3
Personal and protective service	63.1	67.6	69.5	68.2	72.1	73.7	72.8
Sales	48.5	49.7	54.2	55.3	54.6	54.6	59.0
Plant and machine operatives	118.8	122.1	134.5	147.2	144.5	138.0	130.3
Other	87.9	92.0	96.1	92.3	97.4	93.3	111.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>900.7</b>	<b>948.0</b>	<b>992.6</b>	<b>1,019.0</b>	<b>1,027.7</b>	<b>1,040.9</b>	<b>1,065.2</b>
<b>Females</b>							
Managers and administrators	69.0	72.3	81.3	87.0	86.9	92.6	92.1
Professional	66.3	75.2	75.6	77.2	90.2	93.3	103.0
Associate professional and technical	66.0	72.3	76.4	81.6	90.4	94.7	94.8
Clerical and secretarial	136.3	148.4	154.2	160.7	170.6	165.9	167.6
Craft and related	15.5	16.5	14.5	14.3	12.0	13.6	12.4
Personal and protective service	77.0	85.1	96.0	96.5	96.5	109.9	112.6
Sales	67.0	76.9	81.7	86.1	89.7	91.6	93.3
Plant and machine operatives	41.0	39.9	45.8	45.7	40.3	35.7	29.1
Other	55.4	54.6	53.2	53.7	59.5	55.0	66.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>593.4</b>	<b>641.0</b>	<b>678.8</b>	<b>702.8</b>	<b>736.1</b>	<b>752.5</b>	<b>771.0</b>
<b>All persons</b>							
Managers and administrators	284.6	294.3	303.6	309.7	314.1	316.9	319.2
Professional	147.2	158.5	166.4	173.2	189.5	200.8	211.4
Associate professional and technical	119.5	130.4	138.6	148.2	155.6	164.9	167.1
Clerical and secretarial	183.7	199.5	204.3	212.4	224.7	216.9	220.7
Craft and related	200.4	218.6	227.5	233.5	225.4	242.1	243.6
Personal and protective service	140.1	152.6	165.5	164.6	168.6	183.6	185.4
Sales	115.5	126.5	135.9	141.4	144.3	146.2	152.3
Plant and machine operatives	159.8	162.0	180.3	192.9	184.8	173.7	159.4
Other	143.3	146.6	149.2	146.1	156.9	148.3	177.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,494.0</b>	<b>1,589.1</b>	<b>1,671.4</b>	<b>1,721.9</b>	<b>1,763.9</b>	<b>1,793.4</b>	<b>1,836.2</b>

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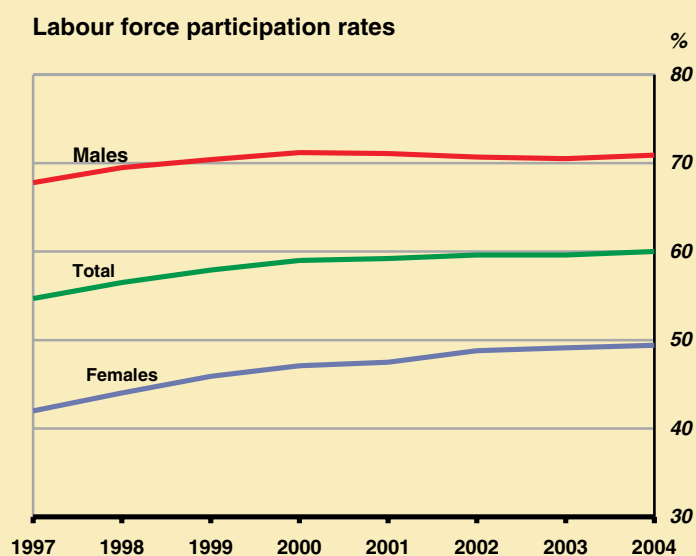
**Persons aged 15 years and over in employment, March-May 2004**

**Table 2.5 Labour force participation rates (ILO) classified by sex and age group**

	%							
Sex and age group	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Male</b>								
15-19	25.9	31.1	33.2	34.2	32.6	29.3	29.4	27.0
20-24	75.7	76.8	78.0	79.1	77.6	75.5	75.0	76.1
25-34	92.8	93.3	93.8	94.1	93.4	92.6	92.2	92.5
35-44	92.3	93.4	93.2	93.4	93.9	93.0	92.7	93.1
45-54	85.5	87.1	87.2	88.0	87.5	87.7	87.4	89.1
55-59	71.1	71.8	72.1	73.8	75.8	75.2	74.9	75.5
60-64	51.2	52.7	55.2	53.7	54.6	55.6	55.5	54.9
65 and over	15.1	15.0	15.1	14.9	14.4	15.1	14.1	13.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>67.8</b>	<b>69.5</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>71.2</b>	<b>71.1</b>	<b>70.7</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>70.9</b>
<b>Female</b>								
15-19	19.5	23.0	24.8	26.3	23.3	22.3	22.5	20.0
20-24	67.5	69.4	70.7	67.8	66.2	65.2	65.7	66.0
25-34	72.2	73.4	74.8	76.8	75.7	77.2	75.4	75.6
35-44	56.4	59.4	62.0	63.0	65.0	65.6	66.5	65.9
45-54	43.4	46.4	49.1	52.2	54.6	57.6	57.4	60.2
55-59	28.1	30.7	33.4	35.0	36.2	38.1	41.5	42.1
60-64	18.1	17.6	19.5	19.4	20.7	22.9	24.6	24.8
65 and over	3.2	3.0	2.8	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.3	3.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>45.9</b>	<b>47.1</b>	<b>47.5</b>	<b>48.8</b>	<b>49.1</b>	<b>49.4</b>
<b>All persons</b>								
15-19	22.8	27.2	29.1	30.3	28.0	25.9	26.0	23.6
20-24	71.7	73.2	74.4	73.5	72.0	70.4	70.4	71.1
25-34	82.4	83.3	84.3	85.5	84.6	84.9	83.8	84.1
35-44	74.2	76.2	77.5	78.1	79.3	79.2	79.5	79.5
45-54	64.7	67.0	68.3	70.2	71.2	72.7	72.5	74.7
55-59	49.9	51.5	53.0	54.6	56.2	56.9	58.4	59.0
60-64	34.6	35.1	37.3	36.5	37.7	39.4	40.1	40.0
65 and over	8.3	8.2	8.1	8.1	7.9	8.3	8.0	7.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>54.7</b>	<b>56.5</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>59.0</b>	<b>59.2</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>60.0</b>

TABLE 2.5

Source: CSO



**Table 2.6 Unemployment rates (ILO) classified by sex and duration of unemployment**

	%							
Sex and duration of unemployment	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Male</b>								
Less than 1 year	3.7	3.3	2.8	2.3	2.2	2.9	2.9	3.0
1 year and over	6.3	4.7	3.1	2.0	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.8
Not stated	0.3	0.0	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>
<b>Female</b>								
Less than 1 year	5.3	4.7	3.9	3.2	2.8	3.1	3.0	2.9
1 year and over	4.6	2.7	1.6	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.8
Not stated	0.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>All persons</b>								
Less than 1 year	4.4	3.8	3.3	2.7	2.5	3.0	2.9	3.0
1 year and over	5.6	3.9	2.5	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.4
Not stated	0.4	0.0	0.0	*	0.0	*	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.4</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 2.7 Persons aged 15 years and over unemployed (ILO) classified by sex and duration of unemployment**

	Thousands							
Sex and duration of unemployment	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Male</b>								
Less than 1 year	35.1	32.1	28.3	23.9	23.7	31.5	31.5	33.9
1 year and over	58.8	46.4	30.8	20.9	15.8	17.2	20.0	20.2
Not stated	3.1	0.3	0.3	*	0.3	*	0.3	0.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>97.1</b>	<b>78.8</b>	<b>59.4</b>	<b>44.9</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>48.8</b>	<b>51.7</b>	<b>54.4</b>
<b>Female</b>								
Less than 1 year	31.9	30.2	26.8	22.8	20.4	23.7	23.2	23.5
1 year and over	27.5	17.3	10.7	6.7	4.9	4.5	7.2	6.2
Not stated	2.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
<b>Total</b>	<b>62.0</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>37.5</b>	<b>29.6</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>28.2</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>29.8</b>
<b>All persons</b>								
Less than 1 year	67.1	62.3	55.1	46.6	44.1	55.2	54.6	57.4
1 year and over	86.3	63.6	41.5	27.7	20.8	21.7	27.2	26.3
Not stated	5.7	0.5	0.3	*	0.3	*	0.3	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>159.0</b>	<b>126.4</b>	<b>96.9</b>	<b>74.5</b>	<b>65.1</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>84.2</b>

Source: CSO



**Table 2.8 Indicators of potential labour supply**

Year	%			
	S1	S2	S3	
1988	17.3	21.9	23.2	S1 Unemployed plus discouraged workers <i>as a percentage of the Labour Force plus discouraged workers</i>
1989	16.1	20.5	21.7	
1990	13.9	18.7	19.8	S2 Unemployed plus marginally attached plus others not in education who want work <i>as a percentage of the Labour Force plus marginally attached plus others not in education who want work.</i>
1991	15.6	19.9	21.2	
1992	16.0	20.7	22.0	S3 Unemployed plus marginally attached plus others not in education who want work plus underemployed part-time workers <i>as a percentage of the Labour Force plus marginally attached plus others not in education who want work.</i>
1993	16.9	21.1	22.7	
1994	15.9	19.8	21.5	
1995	13.1	17.2	18.9	
1996	12.7	16.0	17.5	
1997	11.3	15.7	17.0	
1998	8.6	12.1	12.7	
1999	6.4	9.9	10.3	
2000	4.8	8.0	8.2	
2001	4.1	7.3	7.4	
2002	4.6	7.6	7.8	
2003	4.8	8.0	8.2	
2004	4.8	7.4	7.6	

Source: CSO

TABLE 2.8

TABLE 2.9

**Table 2.9 Persons aged 15 years and over classified by sex and principal economic status**

Thousands

Sex and economic status	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Males</b>								
At work	825.6	875.0	917.8	960.3	991.5	999.8	1,008.2	1,038.5
Unemployed	130.6	111.4	89.8	75.0	67.6	80.4	80.5	81.1
Student	176.1	176.2	173.0	171.8	172.2	177.5	182.6	179.0
On home duties	9.2	8.0	9.2	8.7	5.4	5.9	5.3	4.5
Retired	179.5	186.7	185.5	187.8	195.6	196.8	202.4	206.9
Others	62.0	52.3	56.7	54.2	55.9	61.7	70.7	68.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,383.1</b>	<b>1,409.5</b>	<b>1,431.9</b>	<b>1,457.8</b>	<b>1,488.2</b>	<b>1,522.1</b>	<b>1,549.8</b>	<b>1,578.7</b>
<b>Females</b>								
At work	512.8	551.4	595.8	629.7	662.1	696.7	709.8	731.9
Unemployed	48.3	42.8	35.1	34.3	31.6	34.3	33.1	31.6
Student	181.9	185.9	186.2	194.1	195.9	195.2	199.0	198.4
On home duties	588.0	581.3	570.5	558.1	551.9	546.9	555.2	551.9
Retired	66.2	68.0	61.4	60.8	61.1	64.4	65.0	70.3
Others	34.8	28.4	30.2	26.7	28.8	30.1	33.2	37.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,432.0</b>	<b>1,457.7</b>	<b>1,479.2</b>	<b>1,503.7</b>	<b>1,531.5</b>	<b>1,567.7</b>	<b>1,595.3</b>	<b>1,621.9</b>
<b>All persons</b>								
At work	1,338.4	1,426.4	1,513.6	1,590.0	1,653.5	1,696.5	1,718.0	1,770.4
Unemployed	178.9	154.2	124.8	109.3	99.2	114.7	113.6	112.6
Student	358.0	362.1	359.2	365.9	368.1	372.7	381.6	377.4
On home duties	597.2	589.3	579.7	566.8	557.4	552.8	560.5	556.4
Retired	245.8	254.7	246.9	248.6	256.7	261.2	267.4	277.2
Others	96.7	80.7	86.9	80.9	84.8	91.9	103.9	106.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,815.1</b>	<b>2,867.3</b>	<b>2,911.1</b>	<b>2,961.5</b>	<b>3,019.7</b>	<b>3,089.8</b>	<b>3,145.1</b>	<b>3,200.6</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 2.10 Persons aged 18 and over classified by whether they were victims of crime, Q4 2003**

	Theft with violence		Theft without violence		Physical assault		Total victims of any crime		Total
	000	%	000	%	000	%	000	%	
<b>Region</b>									
Border	1.6	0.5	7.2	2.2	2.4	0.7	10.9	3.4	<b>323.7</b>
Midlands	2.2	1.3	1.0	0.6	1.5	0.9	4.4	2.6	<b>167.8</b>
West	2.3	0.8	8.8	3.0	2.7	0.9	13.2	4.5	<b>292.3</b>
Dublin	18.6	2.1	38.1	4.3	12.4	1.4	64.3	7.3	<b>878.7</b>
Mid-East	5.8	1.9	8.8	2.8	2.2	0.7	15.5	5.0	<b>311.5</b>
Mid-West	4.3	1.7	8.3	3.2	4.1	1.6	14.9	5.8	<b>256.0</b>
South-East	3.3	1.0	7.1	2.2	4.8	1.5	13.2	4.1	<b>319.0</b>
South-West	3.1	0.7	12.2	2.7	4.5	1.0	19.3	4.3	<b>445.3</b>
<b>Males by Age Group</b>									
18-24	8.2	3.5	13.1	5.7	12.6	5.5	29.5	12.8	<b>231.1</b>
25-44	11.2	1.8	20.9	3.4	11.1	1.8	40.1	6.6	<b>610.0</b>
45-64	4.2	1.0	10.9	2.5	3.7	0.8	17.6	4.1	<b>435.5</b>
65 and over	1.0	0.5	2.4	1.2	0.4	0.2	3.6	1.8	<b>195.5</b>
Total	24.5	1.7	47.3	3.2	27.8	1.9	90.9	6.2	<b>1,472.1</b>
<b>Females by Age Group</b>									
18-24	5.6	2.5	13.0	5.7	2.7	1.2	20.3	8.9	<b>228.0</b>
25-44	7.0	1.1	17.9	2.9	2.6	0.4	26.2	4.3	<b>611.5</b>
45-64	2.6	0.6	9.7	2.3	1.2	0.3	13.1	3.1	<b>430.4</b>
65 and over	1.4	0.6	3.6	1.4	0.3	0.1	5.1	2.0	<b>252.6</b>
Total	16.6	1.1	44.2	2.9	6.7	0.4	64.8	4.3	<b>1,522.5</b>
<b>Total Age Group</b>									
18-24	13.8	3.0	26.1	5.7	15.3	3.3	49.8	10.8	<b>459.1</b>
25-44	18.2	1.5	38.9	3.2	13.7	1.1	66.4	5.4	<b>1,221.3</b>
45-64	6.8	0.8	20.6	2.4	4.9	0.6	30.8	3.6	<b>865.9</b>
65 and over	2.4	0.5	6.0	1.3	0.7	0.2	8.6	1.9	<b>448.1</b>
<b>Nationality</b>									
Irish	36.6	1.3	85.5	3.1	31.5	1.1	143.4	5.1	<b>2,795.1</b>
Other EU 15	2.3	2.2	2.9	2.7	1.2	1.1	5.7	5.4	<b>106.5</b>
Other	2.3	2.5	3.1	3.3	1.8	1.9	6.4	6.9	<b>93.0</b>
<b>Principal Economic Status</b>									
At work	25.9	1.6	58.5	3.5	20.7	1.2	98.0	5.9	<b>1,669.7</b>
Unemployed	2.4	1.9	2.9	2.4	3.5	2.8	8.2	6.6	<b>123.4</b>
Student	6.5	3.3	15.2	7.7	6.6	3.4	25.5	13.0	<b>196.7</b>
Home duties	4.2	0.7	9.2	1.5	1.3	0.2	14.1	2.3	<b>616.4</b>
Retired	1.3	0.4	3.9	1.3	0.7	0.2	5.6	1.9	<b>290.7</b>
Others	0.9	0.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	4.2	4.3	<b>97.8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>91.5</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>34.5</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>155.6</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>2,994.4</b>

Source: CSO

TABLE 2.10

**Table 2.11 Persons aged 18 and over classified by their perception of crime in Ireland today, Q4 2003**

	%						
	Very serious problem	Serious problem	Fairly serious problem	Not a serious problem	Not a problem	Not stated	Total
<b>Region</b>							
Border	36.1	36.6	23.3	3.3	0.1	0.6	<b>100.0</b>
Midlands	49.9	36.0	12.6	1.1	0.2	0.2	<b>100.0</b>
West	38.1	39.7	19.4	1.7	0.3	0.8	<b>100.0</b>
Dublin	44.3	33.6	19.1	2.2	0.4	0.3	<b>100.0</b>
Mid-East	44.5	35.6	17.2	2.1	0.3	0.4	<b>100.0</b>
Mid-West	53.6	32.9	12.0	1.4	*	0.1	<b>100.0</b>
South-East	59.2	30.6	8.3	1.3	0.2	0.3	<b>100.0</b>
South-West	49.7	29.1	16.6	4.0	0.4	0.2	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Males by Age Group</b>							
18-24	28.1	37.3	27.5	6.0	0.7	0.5	<b>100.0</b>
25-44	37.8	36.6	21.2	3.5	0.5	0.4	<b>100.0</b>
45-64	47.1	34.2	16.2	2.1	0.2	0.3	<b>100.0</b>
65 and over	56.4	29.7	12.3	1.3	0.2	0.2	<b>100.0</b>
Total	41.5	35.1	19.5	3.2	0.4	0.4	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Females by Age Group</b>							
18-24	36.7	40.0	20.0	2.3	0.3	0.6	<b>100.0</b>
25-44	46.1	34.9	16.5	1.9	0.2	0.5	<b>100.0</b>
45-64	58.1	28.9	11.9	0.7	0.1	0.3	<b>100.0</b>
65 and over	63.8	26.4	8.5	1.0	*	0.3	<b>100.0</b>
Total	51.0	32.6	14.4	1.5	0.2	0.4	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Nationality</b>							
Irish	47.8	33.8	16.4	1.7	0.1	0.2	<b>100.0</b>
Other EU 15	29.7	36.2	25.6	5.6	1.3	1.7	<b>100.0</b>
Other	21.3	32.6	22.2	16.1	3.6	4.1	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Principal Economic Status</b>							
At work	42.6	36.2	18.4	2.3	0.3	0.3	<b>100.0</b>
Unemployed	44.7	32.3	18.2	3.6	0.5	0.6	<b>100.0</b>
Student	29.2	39.6	25.0	4.9	0.7	0.7	<b>100.0</b>
Home duties	56.7	28.8	12.4	1.5	0.2	0.5	<b>100.0</b>
Retired	57.3	28.8	12.3	1.1	0.1	0.3	<b>100.0</b>
Others	49.1	30.0	15.1	4.1	0.6	1.1	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Victim of any crime</b>							
Not victim of any crime	46.2	34.0	16.9	2.3	0.3	0.4	<b>100.0</b>
Victim of any crime	48.8	31.0	16.7	2.4	0.5	0.5	<b>100.0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46.3</b>	<b>33.8</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: CSO

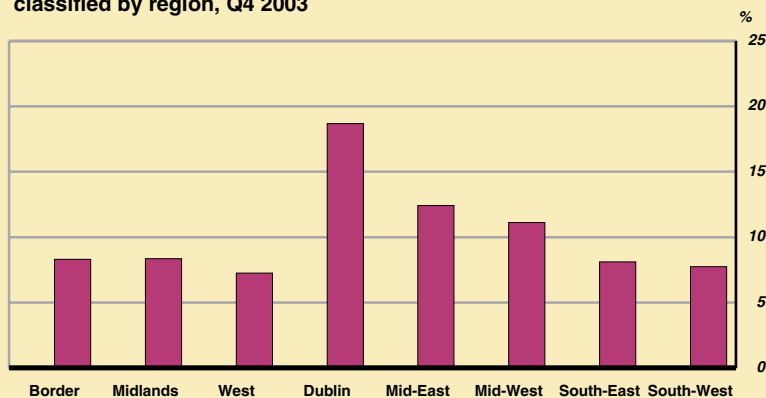
TABLE 2.11

**Table 2.12 Households classified by whether they were victims of any crime, Q4 2003**

	Household burglary	Theft of vehicles	Theft from vehicles	Theft of bicycles	Vandalism	Victims of any crime
%						
<b>Regions</b>						
Border	1.9	0.4	2.2	1.4	4.5	8.3
Midlands	4.4	0.6	1.3	1.2	2.3	8.4
West	1.8	0.7	2.2	2.2	3.0	7.2
Dublin	4.8	2.2	6.0	7.6	7.9	18.7
Mid-East	3.9	1.3	3.0	2.4	5.0	12.4
Mid-West	3.3	0.8	4.6	4.3	3.9	11.1
South-East	3.7	0.8	2.3	1.4	2.6	8.1
South-West	1.8	0.7	2.5	2.0	3.5	7.7
<b>Number of persons in household</b>						
One person	3.3	0.9	3.6	3.9	3.9	8.9
Two persons	3.2	1.2	2.7	3.7	4.7	10.4
Three or more persons	3.5	1.2	3.9	3.6	5.3	13.5
<b>Family composition</b>						
Couple with no children	3.3	1.0	2.7	3.2	4.4	10.3
Couple with children	3.3	1.0	3.6	2.9	5.0	12.7
Lone parent	3.6	1.7	3.2	5.5	6.4	13.2
No family unit/not stated	3.4	1.5	4.3	6.0	4.2	10.6
<b>Sex</b>						
Male	3.4	1.2	3.3	3.4	4.6	11.5
Female	3.3	1.1	3.7	3.8	5.0	11.9
<b>Age group</b>						
Less than 25	3.5	2.4	5.6	8.1	4.9	13.8
25-44	3.5	1.4	4.3	3.8	5.8	14.1
45-64	3.5	1.0	3.2	3.2	4.9	11.8
65 and over	2.9	0.5	1.4	1.7	2.9	6.6
<b>Principal economic status</b>						
At work	3.4	1.3	4.1	3.4	5.5	13.5
Unemployed	4.1	2.1	2.7	3.5	5.2	12.3
Student	3.1	1.8	5.9	12.8	5.6	15.3
Home duties	3.0	1.1	2.6	3.6	4.0	9.6
Retired	3.2	0.5	1.9	1.7	3.6	7.9
Other	5.0	1.3	2.9	3.2	5.5	11.6
<b>ALL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>11.7</b>

Source: CSO

**Percentage of households that have experienced any crime, classified by region, Q4 2003**



**Table 2.13 Pension coverage in the state for persons in employment aged 20 to 69 years, Q1 2004**

	Occupational pension only	Personal pension only	Both	Total coverage	No pension	Total
%						
<b>Region</b>						
Border	31.0	12.4	4.5	47.9	52.1	100.0
Midlands	29.9	11.0	3.8	44.7	55.3	100.0
West	26.4	13.1	6.1	45.6	54.4	100.0
Dublin	38.1	10.1	7.6	55.7	44.3	100.0
Mid-East	31.9	17.3	8.9	58.0	42.0	100.0
Mid-West	31.7	14.7	6.3	52.7	47.3	100.0
South-East	30.5	17.3	5.8	53.5	46.6	100.0
South-West	33.3	13.0	4.6	50.8	49.2	100.0
<b>Sex</b>						
Male	31.4	17.4	7.4	56.3	43.7	100.0
Female	35.4	6.7	4.8	46.8	53.2	100.0
<b>Age group</b>						
20-24	19.1	1.9	2.2	23.2	76.8	100.0
25-34	35.4	9.4	5.7	50.5	49.5	100.0
35-44	37.6	16.6	8.0	62.2	37.8	100.0
45-54	35.0	17.1	7.7	59.8	40.2	100.0
55-69	28.9	19.6	6.4	54.8	45.2	100.0
30 and over	35.4	16.3	7.4	59.1	40.9	100.0
<b>Marital status</b>						
Single	29.0	7.4	4.8	41.2	58.9	100.0
Married	36.7	17.1	7.7	61.5	38.5	100.0
Separated	30.0	12.8	4.6	47.4	52.6	100.0
Widowed	22.8	17.9	6.4	47.1	52.9	100.0
<b>ILO employment status</b>						
Self employed and assisting relatives	*	43.1	*	43.1	56.9	100.0
Employees	40.4	6.3	7.7	54.4	45.6	100.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: CSO

**Pension coverage for persons in employment aged 20 to 69 years**

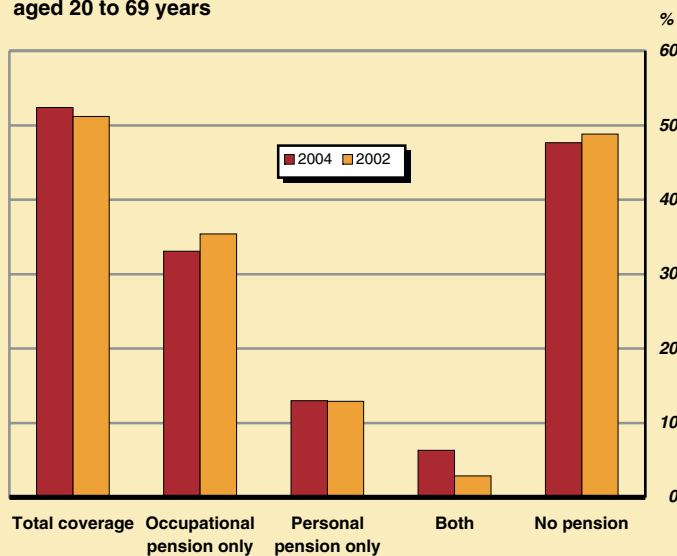


TABLE 2.13

**Table 2.14 Persons aged 15-64 classified by the highest level of education attained***Thousands*

Highest education level attained	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Males</b>						
Primary or below	280.8	278.7	282.7	274.7	253.3	246.7
Lower secondary	311.9	296.1	286.7	291.3	307.0	316.1
Higher secondary	310.4	301.1	315.5	324.2	335.2	356.1
Post leaving cert	109.7	146.4	141.7	142.8	133.4	121.1
Third level non-degree	73.4	76.7	91.8	93.0	104.9	111.5
Third level degree or above	140.3	148.2	155.1	172.7	195.8	206.7
Other	23.8	27.4	28.5	34.2	27.3	23.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,250.3</b>	<b>1,274.6</b>	<b>1,302.1</b>	<b>1,333.0</b>	<b>1,357.0</b>	<b>1,381.6</b>
<b>Females</b>						
Primary or below	250.8	245.8	250.8	241.6	218.3	211.4
Lower secondary	277.8	268.2	252.7	255.9	267.6	267.8
Higher secondary	346.1	335.6	348.9	356.1	375.3	384.6
Post leaving cert	123.6	149.2	142.6	138.9	140.5	132.0
Third level non-degree	89.8	103.7	119.5	126.4	132.8	142.4
Third level degree or above	126.8	134.8	148.7	173.8	187.3	208.2
Other	24.0	25.0	24.5	28.1	23.5	21.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,238.9</b>	<b>1,262.3</b>	<b>1,287.7</b>	<b>1,320.8</b>	<b>1,345.3</b>	<b>1,368.1</b>
<b>All persons</b>						
Primary or below	531.6	524.5	533.5	516.4	471.6	458.1
Lower secondary	589.7	564.3	539.4	547.2	574.7	583.9
Higher secondary	656.4	636.7	664.4	680.2	710.5	740.7
Post leaving cert	233.3	295.6	284.3	281.7	273.9	253.1
Third level non-degree	163.2	180.4	211.3	219.4	237.7	253.9
Third level degree or above	267.1	283.0	303.8	346.5	383.1	414.9
Other	47.8	52.3	53.1	62.3	50.8	45.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,489.1</b>	<b>2,536.8</b>	<b>2,589.8</b>	<b>2,653.8</b>	<b>2,702.3</b>	<b>2,749.7</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 2.15 Persons aged 25-64 in employment classified by the highest level of education attained***Thousands*

Highest education level attained	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Males</b>						
Primary or below	143.2	144.7	147.0	141.9	126.1	128.5
Lower secondary	166.6	163.8	161.0	164.1	174.6	178.4
Higher secondary	175.6	166.5	179.0	182.2	189.4	204.6
Post leaving cert	84.4	116.3	115.3	114.6	106.0	94.3
Third level non-degree	55.4	59.6	72.3	72.7	80.2	87.2
Third level degree or above	117.0	125.7	130.5	142.8	162.2	173.3
Other	16.3	17.7	20.6	24.3	17.6	15.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>758.4</b>	<b>794.2</b>	<b>825.7</b>	<b>842.5</b>	<b>856.1</b>	<b>882.0</b>
<b>Females</b>						
Primary or below	54.3	55.9	61.7	59.6	53.2	51.2
Lower secondary	78.4	77.8	76.6	80.9	83.9	81.1
Higher secondary	141.8	136.2	146.2	150.2	156.9	169.8
Post leaving cert	65.4	86.7	81.2	82.2	81.8	76.1
Third level non-degree	56.2	68.6	77.8	84.2	88.5	95.7
Third level degree or above	90.8	96.5	107.7	125.9	135.1	148.5
Other	12.6	13.0	12.1	14.5	10.5	10.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>499.6</b>	<b>534.7</b>	<b>563.3</b>	<b>597.4</b>	<b>610.0</b>	<b>633.1</b>
<b>All persons</b>						
Primary or below	197.4	200.6	208.7	201.5	179.4	179.6
Lower secondary	245.1	241.6	237.7	244.9	258.6	259.5
Higher secondary	317.4	302.7	325.2	332.4	346.3	374.3
Post leaving cert	149.7	203.0	196.5	196.7	187.8	170.4
Third level non-degree	111.7	128.2	150.1	156.9	168.7	182.9
Third level degree or above	207.8	222.2	238.2	268.7	297.3	321.8
Other	28.9	30.7	32.7	38.8	28.1	26.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,258.0</b>	<b>1,328.9</b>	<b>1,389.0</b>	<b>1,439.9</b>	<b>1,466.2</b>	<b>1,515.1</b>

Source: CSO

TABLE 2.15

**Table 2.16 Persons aged 15-64 classified by whether they have any longstanding health problem or disability**

Thousands

	Q2 2002				Q1 2004			
	Yes	No	Not stated	Total	Yes	No	Not stated	Total
<b>Region</b>								
Border	31.4	233.6	16.1	<b>281.1</b>	29.1	263.1	1.7	<b>293.9</b>
Midlands	15.1	127.1	5.0	<b>147.3</b>	18.8	129.2	8.0	<b>156.1</b>
West	23.8	212.7	14.4	<b>250.9</b>	33.5	226.7	2.0	<b>262.2</b>
Dublin	77.2	675.0	41.5	<b>793.7</b>	87.5	712.7	6.9	<b>807.0</b>
Mid-East	29.3	240.0	12.9	<b>282.2</b>	29.7	266.9	1.5	<b>298.2</b>
Mid-West	21.4	184.0	22.7	<b>228.1</b>	24.5	206.0	1.1	<b>231.7</b>
South-East	32.8	235.7	11.6	<b>280.1</b>	29.2	261.1	1.3	<b>291.7</b>
South-West	43.1	331.6	15.7	<b>390.4</b>	45.9	353.4	2.2	<b>401.5</b>
<b>Sex</b>								
Male	144.6	1,115.4	73.0	<b>1,333.0</b>	155.8	1,207.0	14.0	<b>1,376.8</b>
Female	129.6	1,124.3	66.9	<b>1,320.8</b>	142.5	1,212.3	10.7	<b>1,365.4</b>
<b>Age group</b>								
15-24	29.4	573.4	38.7	<b>641.5</b>	26.1	614.2	2.9	<b>643.2</b>
25-34	40.7	545.2	31.5	<b>617.4</b>	36.9	605.4	5.0	<b>647.4</b>
35-44	50.2	487.1	25.6	<b>562.9</b>	53.1	521.6	5.2	<b>579.9</b>
45-54	68.4	387.5	24.6	<b>480.4</b>	81.8	406.1	6.5	<b>494.4</b>
55-64	85.6	246.6	19.4	<b>351.5</b>	100.4	272.0	4.9	<b>377.3</b>
<b>Marital status</b>								
Single	99.9	1,050.7	74.7	<b>1,225.3</b>	101.2	1,137.7	10.6	<b>1,249.5</b>
Married	143.1	1,080.1	56.7	<b>1,279.8</b>	161.2	1,154.0	11.9	<b>1,327.1</b>
Separated	21.1	75.6	5.9	<b>102.6</b>	23.8	88.7	1.4	<b>113.9</b>
Widowed	10.2	33.3	2.6	<b>46.0</b>	12.1	38.9	0.7	<b>51.7</b>
<b>ILO employment status</b>								
In employment	109.9	1,534.9	83.2	<b>1,728.0</b>	110.8	1,621.5	16.5	<b>1,748.7</b>
Unemployed	7.5	66.4	2.9	<b>76.8</b>	9.2	81.0	0.4	<b>90.6</b>
Not economically active	156.8	638.4	53.8	<b>849.0</b>	178.3	716.8	7.8	<b>902.9</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>274.2</b>	<b>2,239.7</b>	<b>139.9</b>	<b>2,653.8</b>	<b>298.3</b>	<b>2,419.3</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>2,742.2</b>

Source: CSO

**Percentage in employment aged 15 to 64**

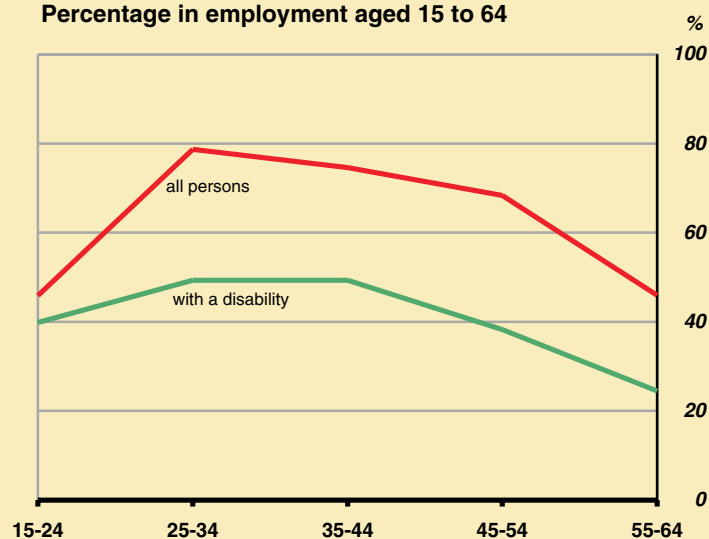


TABLE 2.16



**Table 2.17 Persons aged 15-64 in employment (ILO) classified by whether they have any longstanding health problem or disability**

Thousands

	Q2 2002				Q1 2004			
	Yes	No	Not stated	Total	Yes	No	Not stated	Total
<b>Region</b>								
Border	9.9	150.9	8.3	<b>169.1</b>	9.4	167.3	0.8	<b>177.5</b>
Midlands	5.6	85.8	3.1	<b>94.5</b>	5.5	87.0	6.6	<b>99.2</b>
West	9.6	143.4	8.2	<b>161.2</b>	15.5	154.1	1.1	<b>170.6</b>
Dublin	34.4	478.1	26.6	<b>539.1</b>	35.3	493.8	5.4	<b>534.5</b>
Mid-East	13.2	168.6	9.2	<b>191.0</b>	11.9	177.4	0.9	<b>190.2</b>
Mid-West	9.2	125.5	12.3	<b>147.1</b>	9.0	140.9	0.5	<b>150.4</b>
South-East	12.1	160.9	7.4	<b>180.4</b>	8.6	168.4	0.5	<b>177.4</b>
South-West	15.9	221.8	8.0	<b>245.7</b>	15.6	232.5	0.7	<b>248.8</b>
<b>Sex</b>								
Male	66.5	884.0	48.8	<b>999.3</b>	66.6	942.3	10.9	<b>1,019.8</b>
Female	43.4	651.0	34.4	<b>728.8</b>	44.2	679.2	5.5	<b>728.9</b>
<b>Age group</b>								
15-24	10.6	261.4	16.1	<b>288.1</b>	10.4	282.8	1.9	<b>295.1</b>
25-34	22.5	452.7	25.8	<b>501.0</b>	18.2	487.2	4.1	<b>509.6</b>
35-44	25.2	387.9	18.3	<b>431.4</b>	26.2	402.4	4.0	<b>432.6</b>
45-54	28.5	294.6	15.6	<b>338.8</b>	31.3	302.5	4.2	<b>338.0</b>
55-64	23.1	138.3	7.3	<b>168.7</b>	24.6	146.5	2.3	<b>173.4</b>
<b>Marital status</b>								
Single	39.4	671.4	43.4	<b>754.3</b>	36.9	722.0	7.4	<b>766.3</b>
Married	61.0	791.3	35.2	<b>887.5</b>	63.6	817.1	8.0	<b>888.8</b>
Separated	7.1	54.7	3.3	<b>65.2</b>	6.9	61.8	0.7	<b>69.4</b>
Widowed	2.4	17.5	1.2	<b>21.1</b>	3.4	20.6	*	<b>24.2</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>109.9</b>	<b>1,534.9</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>1,728.0</b>	<b>110.8</b>	<b>1,621.5</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>1,748.7</b>

Source: CSO

TABLE 2.17

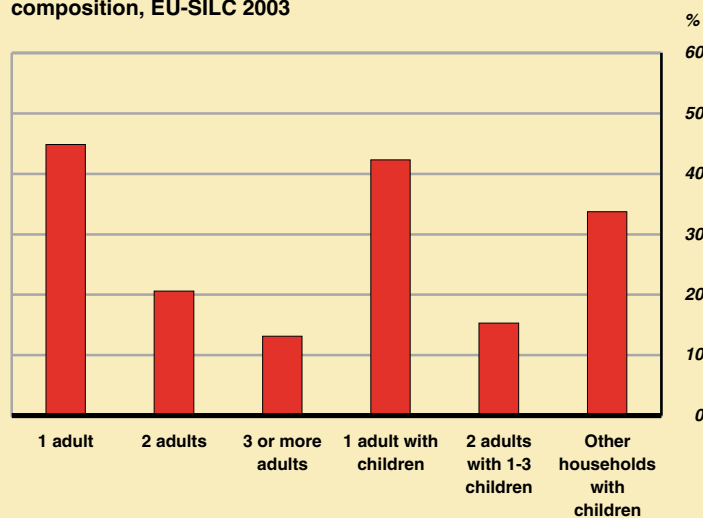
**Table 2.18 At-risk-of-poverty rate (after social transfers, 60% threshold)**

	%		
	Male	Female	Total
<b>Age</b>			
0-14	25.7	22.2	23.9
15-64	19.6	20.6	20.1
65 and over	30.6	40.7	36.4
<b>Household composition</b>			
One adult with no children	38.4	49.3	44.9
Two adults with no children	18.9	22.4	20.6
Three or more adults with no children	13.7	12.4	13.1
One adult with children	54.7	36.7	42.3
Two adults with one to three children	15.8	14.8	15.3
Other households with children	33.5	33.9	33.8
<b>Tenure status</b>			
Owner	17.5	18.9	18.2
Rented or rent free	42.1	41.3	41.6
<b>Region</b>			
Border, Midland and Western	26.8	27.0	26.9
Southern and Eastern	20.3	22.2	21.2
<b>Urban/rural location</b>			
Urban areas	20.9	21.7	21.4
Rural areas	24.0	27.4	25.7
<b>Principal economic status (aged 16 and over)</b>			
At work	9.8	8.4	9.2
Unemployed	48.5	28.7	42.1
Student	37.4	24.9	30.3
On home duties	*	37.0	37.0
Retired	32.2	*	31.0
Ill/disabled	51.6	58.1	54.0
Other	71.9	*	53.1
Children under 16 years of age	25.5	24.4	25.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>22.7</b>

Source: CSO

TABLE 2.18

**Percentage at-risk-of-poverty classified by household composition, EU-SILC 2003**



**Table 2.19 Percentage of persons in 'consistent poverty' at 60% level using basic lifestyle deprivation indicators**

	%		
	Male	Female	Total
<b>Age</b>			
0-14	14.4	14.7	14.6
15-64	7.8	8.5	8.1
65 and over	*	6.8	7.0
<b>Household composition</b>			
One adult with no children	16.1	9.2	12.0
Two adults with no children	6.2	6.9	6.6
Three or more adults with no children	3.9	4.0	3.9
One adult with children	41.1	29.3	32.6
Two adults with one to three children	6.0	6.9	6.5
Other households with children	16.1	17.1	16.6
<b>Tenure status</b>			
Owner	5.2	5.6	5.4
Rented or rent free	27.1	25.0	26.0
<b>Region</b>			
Border, Midland and Western	13.9	12.4	13.1
Southern and Eastern	7.5	8.7	8.1
<b>Urban/rural location</b>			
Urban areas	11.1	11.0	11.1
Rural areas	5.3	6.3	5.7
<b>Principal economic status (aged 16 and over)</b>			
At work	3.8	3.1	3.5
Unemployed	29.3	*	26.4
Student	*	12.8	12.6
On home duties	*	11.1	11.2
Retired	*	*	6.6
Ill/disabled	21.6	*	20.9
Other	*	*	*
Children under 16 years of age	14.2	14.4	14.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>9.4</b>

Source: CSO

**Percentage of persons in 'consistent poverty' classified by age group**

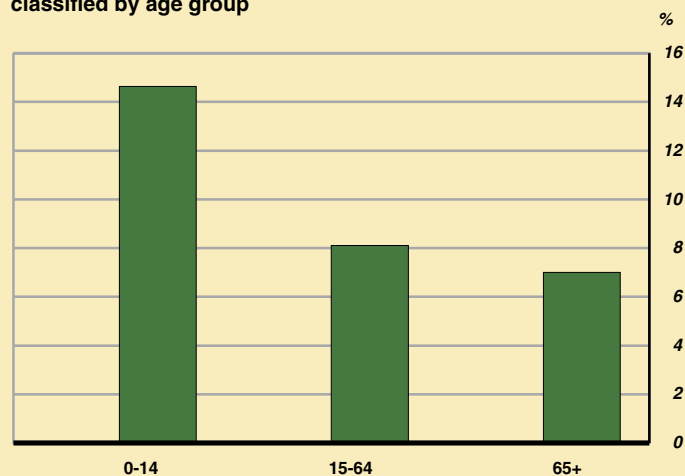


TABLE 2.19

**Table 2.20 Industrial disputes involving stoppages of work (disputes in progress during year)**

Number

Industrial group	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–
Mining and quarrying	–	1	–	1	–	–	–	1
Manufacturing	6	9	4	11	9	5	5	2
Electricity, gas and water supply	1	1	2	–	–	–	–	–
Construction	1	2	4	2	2	1	1	–
Wholesale and retail trade	1	4	1	2	1	2	1	1
Hotels and restaurants	1	–	1	1	–	1	–	–
Transport, storage and communication	3	4	6	12	10	4	5	3
Financial and other business services	3	1	1	–	–	–	1	2
Public administration and defence	1	4	1	5	–	1	2	1
Education	3	2	4	3	1	3	3	–
Health and social work	4	4	7	2	3	7	3	–
Other services	4	2	–	–	–	3	3	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>11</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 2.21 Industrial disputes, number of workers involved**

Number

Industrial group	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	–	–	26	–	–	–	–	–
Mining and quarrying	–	56	–	240	–	–	–	250
Manufacturing	709	966	317	1,458	1,840	808	530	1,320
Electricity, gas and water supply	4	350	375	–	–	–	–	–
Construction	9	71	2,076	215	158	12	20	–
Wholesale and retail trade	5	307	219	54	8,565	149	400	21
Hotels and restaurants	21	–	40	74	–	35	–	–
Transport, storage and communication	202	2,981	599	6,608	4,796	734	1,083	8,345
Financial and other business services	319	4	12	–	–	–	200	220
Public administration and defence	7	2,822	40	409	–	454	287	26
Education	178	195	1,040	16,687	16,604	48	583	–
Health and social work	3,695	262	31,761	2,447	205	1,264	383	–
Other services	215	46	–	–	–	49	81	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,364</b>	<b>8,060</b>	<b>36,505</b>	<b>28,192</b>	<b>32,168</b>	<b>3,553</b>	<b>3,567</b>	<b>10,227</b>

Source: CSO

TABLE 2.20

TABLE 2.21

**Table 2.22 Industrial disputes, days lost during year**

Industrial group	Number							
	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	-	-	1,144	-	-	-	-	-
Mining and quarrying	-	3,864	-	3,120	-	-	-	416
Manufacturing	14,393	5,285	8,823	13,458	14,512	8,989	3,479	2,393
Electricity, gas and water supply	128	350	616	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	36	1,263	22,182	1,015	3,160	12	33	-
Wholesale and retail trade	210	12,261	714	798	6,531	886	161	1,335
Hotels and restaurants	2,394	-	900	64	-	368	-	-
Transport, storage and communication	1,612	7,534	2,201	27,908	15,724	2,958	1,899	12,340
Financial and other business services	24,106	22	88	-	-	-	143	2,280
Public administration and defence	n/a	4,270	80	2,375	-	973	12,412	1,030
Education	310	195	1,268	45,863	74,286	348	540	-
Health and social work	28,233	1,630	177,571	2,445	400	5,465	15,778	-
Other services	3,086	700	-	-	-	1,258	3,037	990
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,508</b>	<b>37,374</b>	<b>215,587</b>	<b>97,046</b>	<b>114,613</b>	<b>21,257</b>	<b>37,482</b>	<b>20,784</b>

Source: CSO

**Annual number of days lost due to industrial disputes**

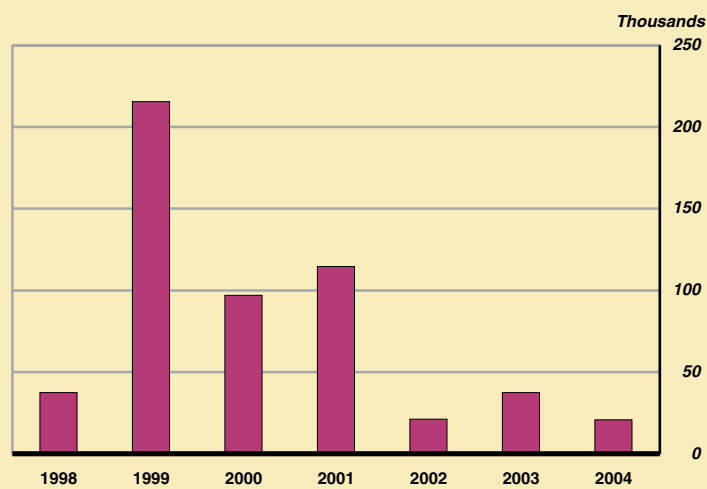


TABLE 2.22

**Table 2.23 Annual average number of persons on the Live Register, classified by type of claim and sex**

	Number							
Type of claim and sex	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Claimants to Unemployment Benefit</b>								
Males	29,859	31,173	28,620	25,485	28,399	37,422	38,707	34,050
of which males <25	6,347	5,880	4,774	3,948	4,685	6,835	7,173	5,862
Females	35,096	36,916	36,308	31,712	29,798	35,931	40,525	37,834
of which females <25	5,198	4,769	4,052	3,269	3,499	4,908	5,789	4,842
<b>Total</b>	<b>64,943</b>	<b>68,088</b>	<b>64,951</b>	<b>57,198</b>	<b>58,197</b>	<b>73,353</b>	<b>79,232</b>	<b>71,884</b>
of which total <25	11,544	10,649	8,825	7,209	8,184	11,743	12,962	10,663
<b>Applicants for Unemployment Assistance</b>								
Males	122,288	101,204	79,907	60,565	52,199	56,247	58,756	59,216
of which males <25	26,907	20,888	14,931	10,365	9,438	11,194	11,766	12,157
Females	49,468	41,445	33,113	24,449	20,354	21,435	22,598	23,478
of which females <25	19,659	15,405	11,396	8,015	7,008	7,851	8,424	8,964
<b>Total</b>	<b>171,755</b>	<b>142,649</b>	<b>113,020</b>	<b>85,013</b>	<b>72,552</b>	<b>77,682</b>	<b>81,355</b>	<b>82,693</b>
of which total <25	46,555	36,292	26,327	18,380	16,446	19,046	20,190	21,121
<b>Others on the Live Register</b>								
Males	3,693	3,315	3,106	2,655	2,399	2,631	2,757	2,798
of which males <25	103	71	46	34	38	50	47	51
Females	13,976	13,043	12,182	10,532	9,105	8,799	9,072	8,638
of which females <25	417	280	205	148	125	110	120	110
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,669</b>	<b>16,358</b>	<b>15,288</b>	<b>13,187</b>	<b>11,504</b>	<b>11,430</b>	<b>11,828</b>	<b>11,436</b>
of which total <25	520	351	251	182	163	160	166	161
<b>Total Live Register</b>								
Males	155,839	135,692	111,634	88,704	82,997	96,301	100,219	96,063
of which males <25	33,357	26,838	19,750	14,347	14,161	18,079	18,984	18,028
Females	98,540	91,404	81,603	66,693	59,257	66,166	72,195	69,950
of which females <25	25,274	20,454	15,653	11,431	10,632	12,870	14,332	13,916
<b>Total</b>	<b>254,379</b>	<b>227,096</b>	<b>193,237</b>	<b>155,398</b>	<b>142,253</b>	<b>162,465</b>	<b>172,414</b>	<b>166,013</b>
of which total <25	58,630	47,292	35,403	25,779	24,793	30,949	33,317	31,944

Source: CSO

**Annual average number of persons on the Live Register**

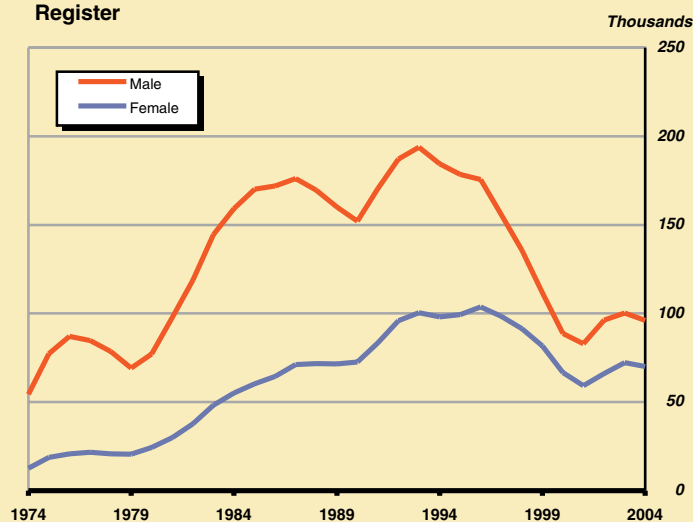


TABLE 2.23

**Table 2.24 Annual average number of persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority**

	<i>Number</i>								
<b>Regional authority</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Males</b>									
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>									
Border	22,632	21,262	19,778	17,408	14,712	14,305	15,477	15,395	14,590
Midland	9,122	7,854	6,875	5,909	4,914	4,683	5,373	5,618	5,505
West	17,135	15,406	13,832	11,972	10,033	9,226	10,037	9,989	9,320
<b>Eastern and Southern</b>									
Dublin	56,383	48,791	41,102	31,838	23,660	20,297	25,090	27,338	26,397
Mid-East	12,332	10,715	9,179	7,398	5,466	4,973	6,411	6,927	6,937
Mid-West	13,408	11,651	9,834	8,068	6,732	6,700	7,962	8,562	8,069
South-East	19,510	17,669	15,939	13,367	10,894	10,644	11,900	12,349	12,214
South-West	25,120	22,493	19,154	15,674	12,294	12,168	14,050	14,042	13,032
<b>Total</b>	<b>175,642</b>	<b>155,839</b>	<b>135,692</b>	<b>111,634</b>	<b>88,704</b>	<b>82,997</b>	<b>96,301</b>	<b>100,219</b>	<b>96,064</b>
<b>Females</b>									
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>									
Border	12,265	12,438	12,432	11,848	10,539	10,117	10,496	10,747	10,446
Midland	5,456	5,302	4,948	4,817	4,293	4,007	4,331	4,765	4,847
West	10,142	9,794	9,075	8,355	7,092	6,463	7,078	7,253	7,031
<b>Eastern and Southern</b>									
Dublin	32,465	29,264	25,726	20,945	15,608	12,938	15,437	17,334	16,234
Mid-East	7,817	7,455	7,050	6,162	4,785	4,169	4,893	5,648	5,742
Mid-West	7,745	7,510	6,883	6,589	5,528	5,057	5,808	6,781	6,395
South-East	11,575	11,386	11,306	10,720	9,343	8,275	8,786	9,510	9,384
South-West	16,128	15,391	13,983	12,169	9,506	8,231	9,337	10,158	9,872
<b>Total</b>	<b>103,593</b>	<b>98,540</b>	<b>91,404</b>	<b>81,603</b>	<b>66,693</b>	<b>59,257</b>	<b>66,165</b>	<b>72,195</b>	<b>69,951</b>
<b>All persons</b>									
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>									
Border	34,897	33,700	32,210	29,256	25,251	24,423	25,974	26,143	25,037
Midland	14,578	13,155	11,823	10,726	9,207	8,690	9,704	10,383	10,352
West	27,277	25,201	22,907	20,327	17,124	15,689	17,114	17,242	16,351
<b>Eastern and Southern</b>									
Dublin	88,847	78,055	66,828	52,783	39,268	33,236	40,527	44,672	42,630
Mid-East	20,149	18,169	16,230	13,560	10,251	9,142	11,304	12,574	12,680
Mid-West	21,153	19,161	16,717	14,656	12,260	11,758	13,770	15,343	14,464
South-East	31,085	29,055	27,245	24,087	20,238	18,919	20,686	21,859	21,597
South-West	41,247	37,883	33,136	27,842	21,800	20,398	23,386	24,199	22,904
<b>Total</b>	<b>279,235</b>	<b>254,379</b>	<b>227,096</b>	<b>193,237</b>	<b>155,398</b>	<b>142,253</b>	<b>162,465</b>	<b>172,414</b>	<b>166,013</b>

Source: CSO

**Table 2.25 Number of persons on the Live Register on the second last Friday in April of each year classified by sex and duration of continuous registration**

Duration	Number						
	April 1998	April 1999	April 2000	April 2001	April 2002	April 2003	April 2004
<b>Males</b>							
Under 3 months	31,946	26,214	23,500	24,232	34,415	35,149	32,830
3-<6 months	17,960	15,274	13,374	12,379	16,883	16,385	15,482
6-<12 months	20,923	17,063	13,680	12,598	16,569	18,288	17,885
1-<2 years	18,125	16,407	10,942	8,699	9,225	12,262	13,172
2-<3 years	12,095	8,709	7,568	5,118	3,383	4,277	5,487
3 years and over	40,222	32,903	23,182	17,852	15,128	13,929	13,330
<b>Total</b>	<b>141,271</b>	<b>116,570</b>	<b>92,246</b>	<b>80,878</b>	<b>95,603</b>	<b>100,290</b>	<b>98,186</b>
<b>Females</b>							
Under 3 months	29,621	24,641	25,383	22,900	28,257	32,858	29,879
3-<6 months	13,872	12,625	10,548	9,398	9,817	10,504	10,638
6-<12 months	16,458	14,629	12,022	9,790	10,522	12,266	13,103
1-<2 years	13,594	11,787	8,600	6,486	5,174	6,510	7,473
2-<3 years	6,819	5,787	4,104	3,213	1,961	2,065	2,335
3 years and over	14,226	12,037	9,204	6,854	6,158	5,791	5,442
<b>Total</b>	<b>94,590</b>	<b>81,506</b>	<b>69,861</b>	<b>58,641</b>	<b>61,889</b>	<b>69,994</b>	<b>68,870</b>
<b>All persons</b>							
Under 3 months	67,567	50,855	48,883	47,132	62,672	68,007	62,709
3-<6 months	31,832	27,899	23,922	21,777	26,700	26,889	26,120
6-<12 months	37,381	31,692	25,702	22,388	27,091	30,554	30,988
1-<2 years	31,719	28,194	19,542	15,185	14,399	18,772	20,645
2-<3 years	18,914	14,496	11,672	8,331	5,344	6,342	7,822
3 years and over	54,448	44,940	32,386	24,706	21,286	19,720	18,772
<b>Total</b>	<b>235,861</b>	<b>198,076</b>	<b>162,107</b>	<b>139,519</b>	<b>157,492</b>	<b>170,284</b>	<b>167,056</b>

Source: CSO

**Number of persons on the Live Register, April 2004**

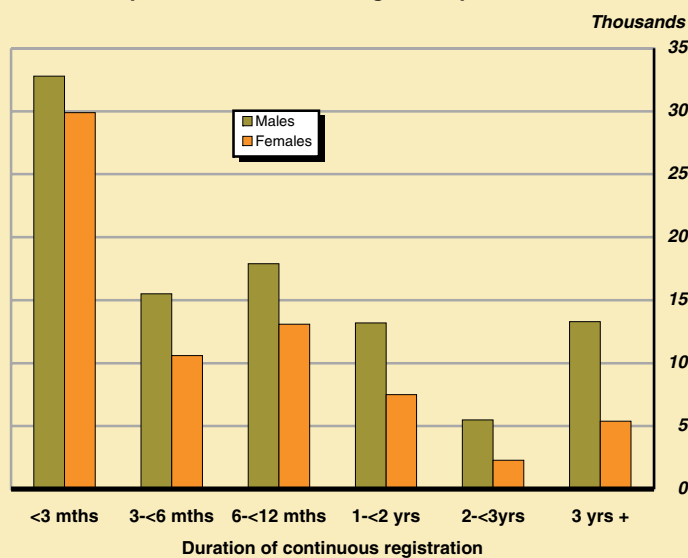


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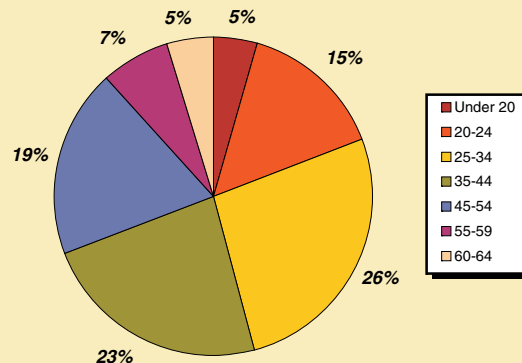


**Table 2.26 Number of persons on the Live Register on the second last Friday in April of each year classified by age group and duration of continuous registration**

Duration	Age Groups							Number
	Under 20	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	Total
<b>21 April 2001</b>								
Under 3 months	2,291	7,330	13,524	10,687	8,076	3,167	2,057	47,132
3-<6 months	1,211	3,314	6,132	4,984	3,666	1,547	923	21,777
6-<12 months	1,029	2,980	6,046	5,268	3,966	1,651	1,448	22,388
1-<2 years	446	1,879	4,095	3,899	2,903	1,170	793	15,185
2-<3 years	69	994	2,009	2,231	2,004	647	377	8,331
3 years and over	23	1,191	4,897	6,821	8,614	2,155	1,005	24,706
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,069</b>	<b>17,688</b>	<b>36,703</b>	<b>33,890</b>	<b>29,229</b>	<b>10,337</b>	<b>6,603</b>	<b>139,519</b>
<b>19 April 2002</b>								
Under 3 months	3,510	10,649	19,099	13,447	9,821	3,766	2,380	62,672
3-<6 months	1,652	4,745	8,354	5,829	3,781	1,389	950	26,700
6-<12 months	1,318	4,077	8,037	6,411	4,307	1,674	1,267	27,091
1-<2 years	578	1,848	3,860	3,531	2,762	1,025	795	14,399
2-<3 years	7	742	1,247	1,460	1,244	401	243	5,344
3 years and over	0	940	3,820	5,629	7,921	1,996	980	21,286
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,065</b>	<b>23,001</b>	<b>44,417</b>	<b>36,307</b>	<b>29,836</b>	<b>10,251</b>	<b>6,615</b>	<b>157,492</b>
<b>19 April 2003</b>								
Under 3 months	3,610	11,039	19,718	14,851	11,531	4,399	2,859	68,007
3-<6 months	1,596	4,536	8,159	5,831	4,087	1,587	1,093	26,889
6-<12 months	1,593	4,439	8,922	7,054	4,886	2,132	1,528	30,554
1-<2 years	787	2,674	5,225	4,522	3,310	1,288	966	18,772
2-<3 years	8	904	1,563	1,645	1,495	411	316	6,342
3 years and over	2	871	3,476	5,327	7,044	2,035	965	19,720
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,596</b>	<b>24,463</b>	<b>47,063</b>	<b>39,230</b>	<b>32,353</b>	<b>11,852</b>	<b>7,727</b>	<b>170,284</b>
<b>17 April 2004</b>								
Under 3 months	3,313	10,122	17,808	13,833	10,617	4,204	2,812	62,709
3-<6 months	1,689	4,289	7,537	5,613	4,172	1,616	1,204	26,120
6-<12 months	1,663	4,645	8,511	7,243	5,230	2,215	1,481	30,988
1-<2 years	921	2,898	5,476	5,056	3,808	1,457	1,029	20,645
2-<3 years	1	1,310	1,996	2,051	1,658	494	312	7,822
3 years and over	0	969	3,552	5,028	6,379	1,936	908	18,772
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,587</b>	<b>24,233</b>	<b>44,880</b>	<b>38,824</b>	<b>31,864</b>	<b>11,922</b>	<b>7,746</b>	<b>167,056</b>

Source: CSO

**Live Register age profile as of April 2004**



**Table 2.27 Number of proposed qualified redundancies notified to the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, classified by industrial group**

	<i>Number</i>							
<b>Industry group</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Males</b>								
Extraction Industry (chemical products)	560	603	836	689	892	1,278	894	796
Metal Manufacturing and Engineering	976	1,919	2,114	1,434	2,582	4,018	3,425	1,956
Other Manufacturing (Food, Drink, Tobacco, Textiles, Leather, Footwear, Timber, Paper, Miscellaneous)	2,380	2,237	2,288	1,964	2,300	2,088	3,561	3,251
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	106	162	172	130	145	86	170	181
Energy and Water	87	100	156	157	137	182	150	215
Building and Civil Engineering	616	712	458	548	1,204	1,457	1,881	2,024
Distributive Trades	1,177	1,392	1,405	1,254	1,394	1,595	2,119	2,208
Transport and Communications	555	294	266	445	899	1,301	884	1,006
Banking, Finance and Insurance	386	406	463	586	1,509	1,864	2,171	1,324
Other Services	405	367	464	393	570	935	1,230	1,050
<b>Total redundancies</b>	<b>7,248</b>	<b>8,192</b>	<b>8,622</b>	<b>7,600</b>	<b>11,632</b>	<b>14,804</b>	<b>16,485</b>	<b>14,011</b>
<b>Females</b>								
Extraction Industry (chemical products)	125	309	356	271	288	462	277	313
Metal Manufacturing and Engineering	625	1,335	1,116	1,063	2,061	3,079	2,533	1,147
Other Manufacturing (Food, Drink, Tobacco, Textiles, Leather, Footwear, Timber, Paper, Miscellaneous)	1,203	1,145	1,609	1,577	1,800	1,191	2,073	1,693
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	33	23	41	45	60	32	89	100
Energy and Water	30	11	30	28	46	64	147	92
Building and Civil Engineering	129	81	57	52	147	178	220	212
Distributive Trades	1,097	901	882	1,331	1,359	1,563	1,924	2,482
Transport and Communications	187	90	79	178	374	1,178	429	793
Banking, Finance and Insurance	548	345	231	563	1,305	1,581	1,891	1,175
Other Services	555	454	630	586	756	1,229	1,634	1,354
<b>Total redundancies</b>	<b>4,532</b>	<b>4,694</b>	<b>5,031</b>	<b>5,694</b>	<b>8,196</b>	<b>10,557</b>	<b>11,217</b>	<b>9,361</b>
<b>All persons</b>								
Extraction Industry (chemical products)	685	912	1,192	960	1,180	1,740	1,171	1,109
Metal Manufacturing and Engineering	1,601	3,254	3,230	2,497	4,643	7,097	5,958	3,103
Other Manufacturing (Food, Drink, Tobacco, Textiles, Leather, Footwear, Timber, Paper, Miscellaneous)	3,583	3,382	3,897	3,541	4,100	3,279	5,634	4,944
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	139	185	213	175	205	118	259	281
Energy and Water	117	111	186	185	183	246	297	307
Building and Civil Engineering	745	793	515	600	1,351	1,635	2,101	2,236
Distributive Trades	2,274	2,293	2,287	2,585	2,753	3,158	4,043	4,690
Transport and Communications	742	384	345	623	1,273	2,479	1,313	1,799
Banking, Finance and Insurance	934	751	694	1,149	2,814	3,445	4,062	2,499
Other Services	960	821	1,094	979	1,326	2,164	2,864	2,404
<b>Total redundancies</b>	<b>11,780</b>	<b>12,886</b>	<b>13,653</b>	<b>13,294</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>25,361</b>	<b>27,702</b>	<b>23,372</b>

Source: Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment



