

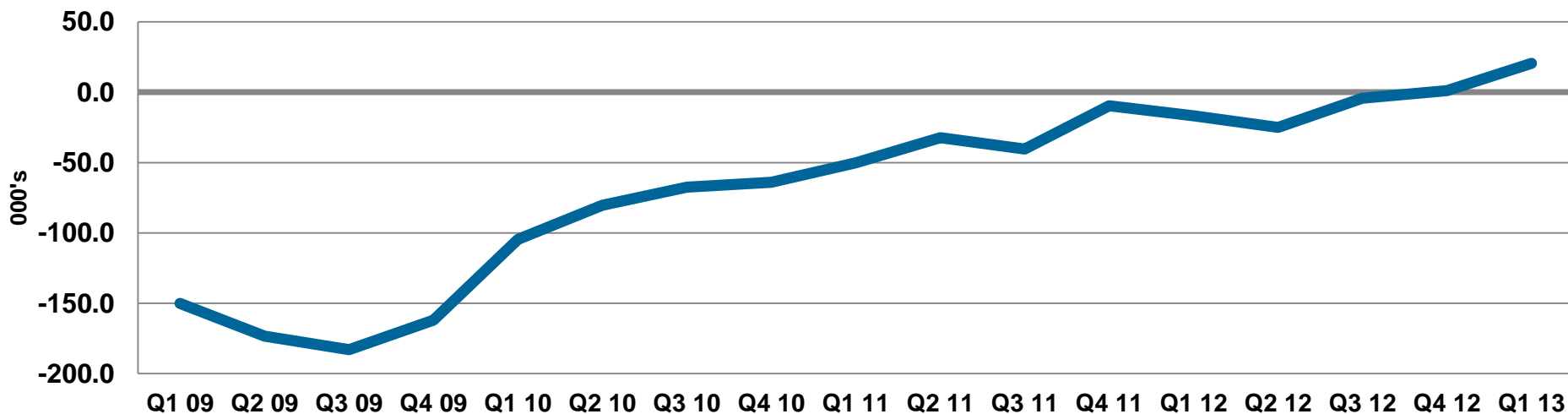
**Quarterly National Household Survey
Labour Market estimates, Quarter 1 2013
30th May, 2013**



Main headlines - employment

- Employment increase of 1.1% in year to Q1 2013 (+20,500) – employment now 1,845,600
- Last quarter (Q4 2012) was first annual increase (+0.1%) in employment since Q2 2008.
- Decrease of 0.9% in year to Q1 2012
- Seasonally adjusted employment up 7,700 (+0.4%) q on q

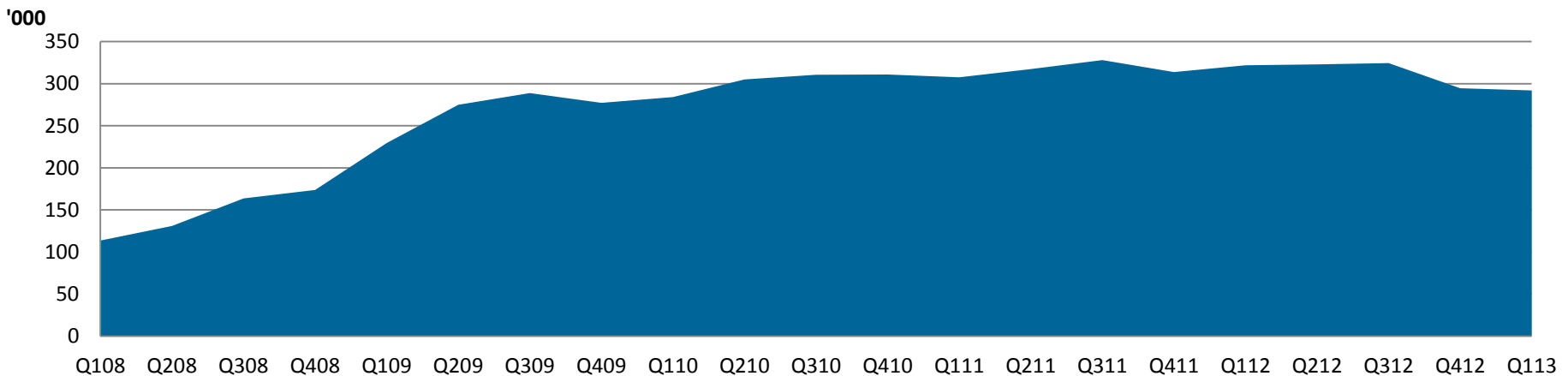
Annual change in employment, Q1 2009 to Q1 2013



Main headlines - unemployment

- Unemployment down by 29,900 over the year (-9.3%) to 292,000
- Seasonally adjusted rate down over the quarter from 14.1% to 13.7%
- Fourth consecutive quarterly fall in seasonally adjusted unemployment (-6,600)
- Long term unemployment down over the year – long-term unemployment rate now 8.4%, down from 9.5% in Q1 2012

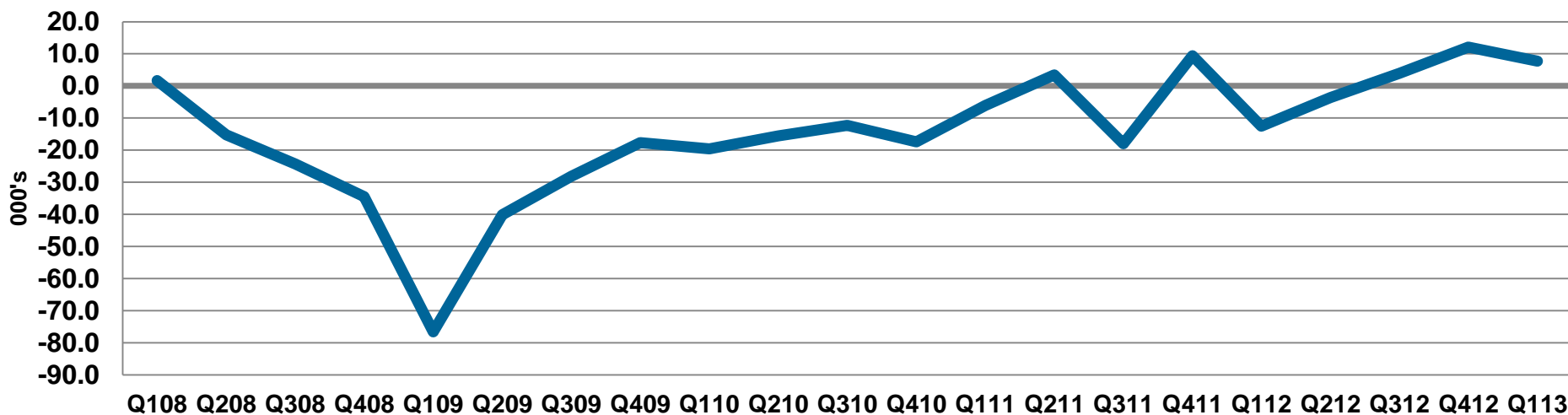
Total number of persons unemployed, Q1 2008 to Q1 2013



Employment

- Annual employment increase 1.1% or 20,500
 - Annual increase in Q4 2012 of 0.1%. Second successive quarter showing annual increase in employment.
 - Quarterly increase in seasonally adjusted series (+7,700), increased by 12,100 in previous quarter and increased by 3,900 in Q3 2012.

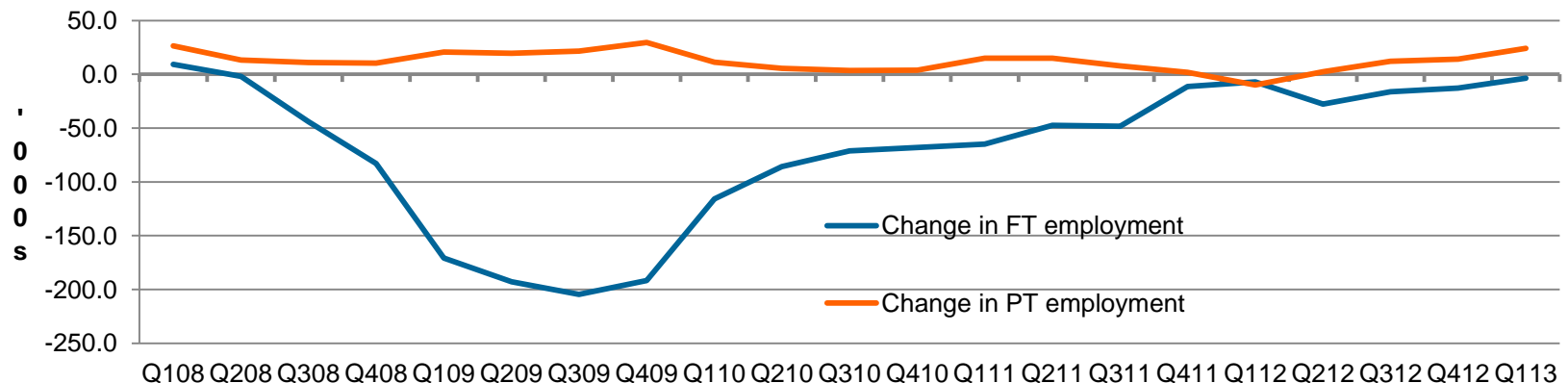
Quarterly change in seasonally adjusted employment, Q1 2008 to Q1 2013



Employment contd.

- Full-time employment down 3,700 (-0.3%) over the year; part-time employment up 24,200 (+5.6%) over the year.
- Q1 2012 is only quarter in the series with annual decline in part-time employment – impact on year on year comparisons in Q1 2013.
- Annual increase in employment dominated by male (+19,400 or +2.0%) and female (+1,100 or +0.1%) employment.

Annual change in Full-Time and Part-Time employment



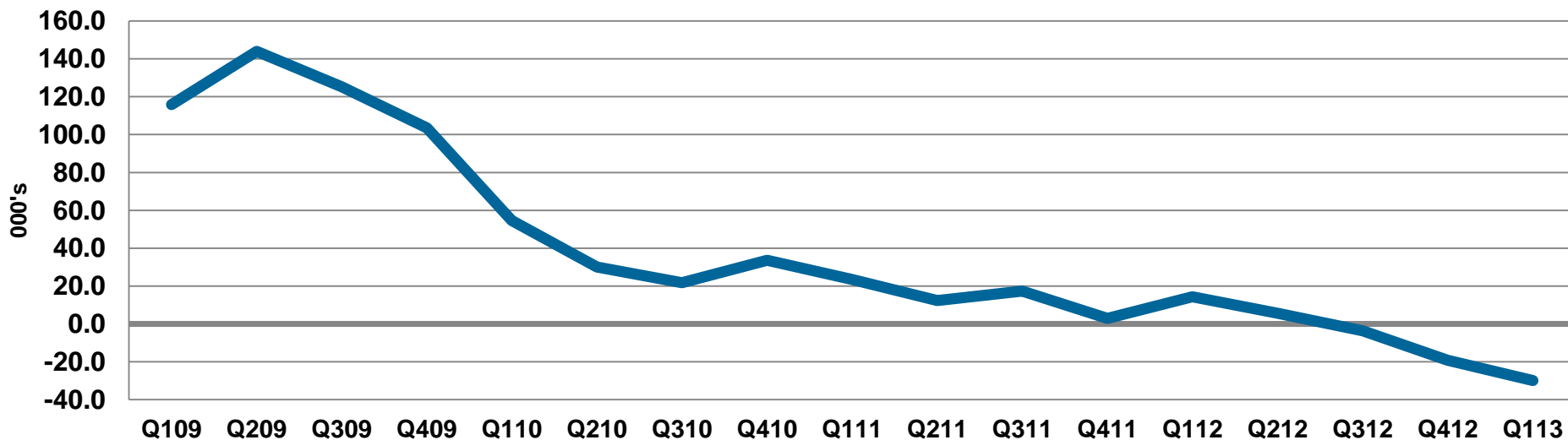
Employment contd.

- Range of increases and decreases across the various sectors
- Greatest percentage reductions in *Construction* (-6.7% or -7,000), *Administration and support service activities* (-4.8% or -3,000) and *Public administration and defence* (-4.3% or -4,300)
- Large increase noted in *Agriculture, forestry and fishing* (+15,700 or +19.5%) – note as previously referenced that caution is warranted
- Number of self-employed persons up 4.3% or +12,500 over the year (of which 9,200 in *Agriculture, forestry and fishing*). Number of employees up 4,300 (+0.3%)
- Part-time underemployment up over the year – increase of 17,000 or 12.3%, now 34.3% of part-time employment
- Public sector employment fell 5,000 over the year to Q1 2013
- Private sector employees up 6,100 over the year

Unemployment

- Unemployment total 292,000 in Q1 2013 – down 29,900 (-9.3%) over the year.
- Continues year on year decline first seen in Q3 2012
- Unadjusted unemployment rate decreased from 15.0% to 13.7% over the year.

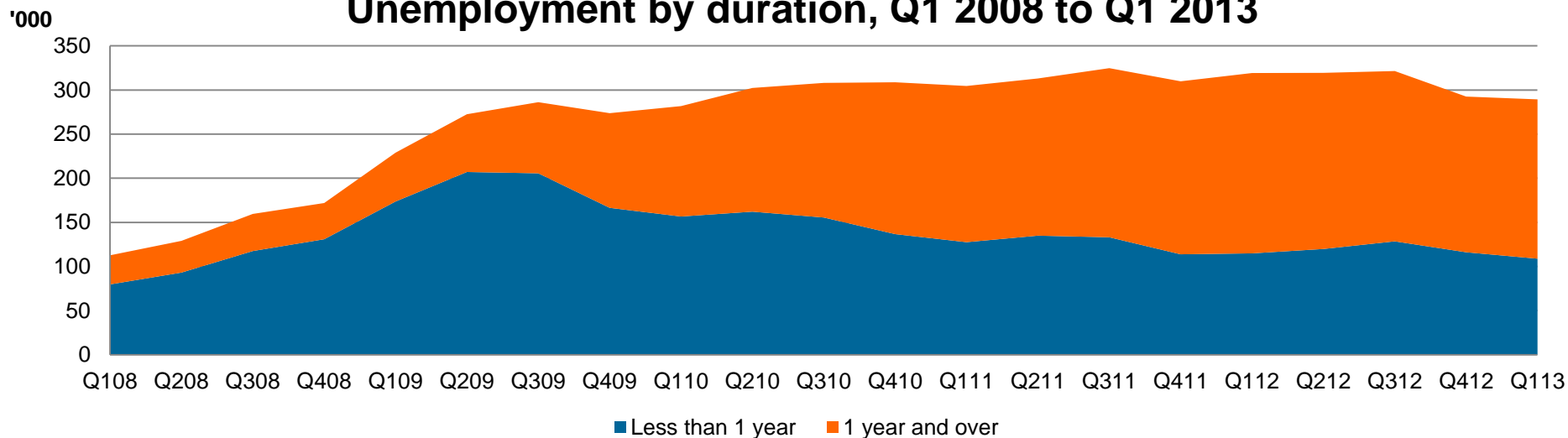
Annual change in unemployment, Q1 2009 to Q1 2013



Unemployment contd.

- Long-term unemployment rate down from 9.5% to 8.4% over the year
- Total number of persons classed as long-term unemployed is now 180,500 – down 23,800 (-11.6%). Follows on from annual decline of 19,600 in Q4 2012 which was first annual decline since Q4 2005.
- Long-term unemployment continues to account for three in five (61.8%) of all unemployed persons

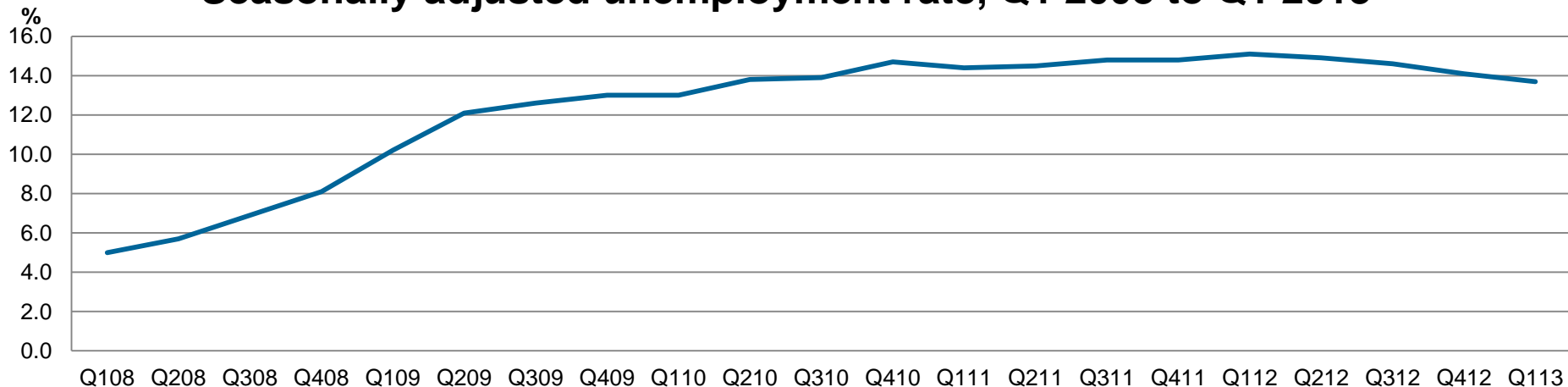
Unemployment by duration, Q1 2008 to Q1 2013



Unemployment contd.

- Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased from 14.1% to 13.7% over the quarter. The seasonally adjusted number of persons unemployed is down 6,600 (-2.2%) to 295,700. First quarter below 300,000 level since Q1 2010.
- Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR) revised to 13.7% for February 2013. Most recent figure for April 2013 revised to 13.7% (published as 14.0%) as a result of new QNHS benchmark but is subject to revision once Live Register information for May is available.

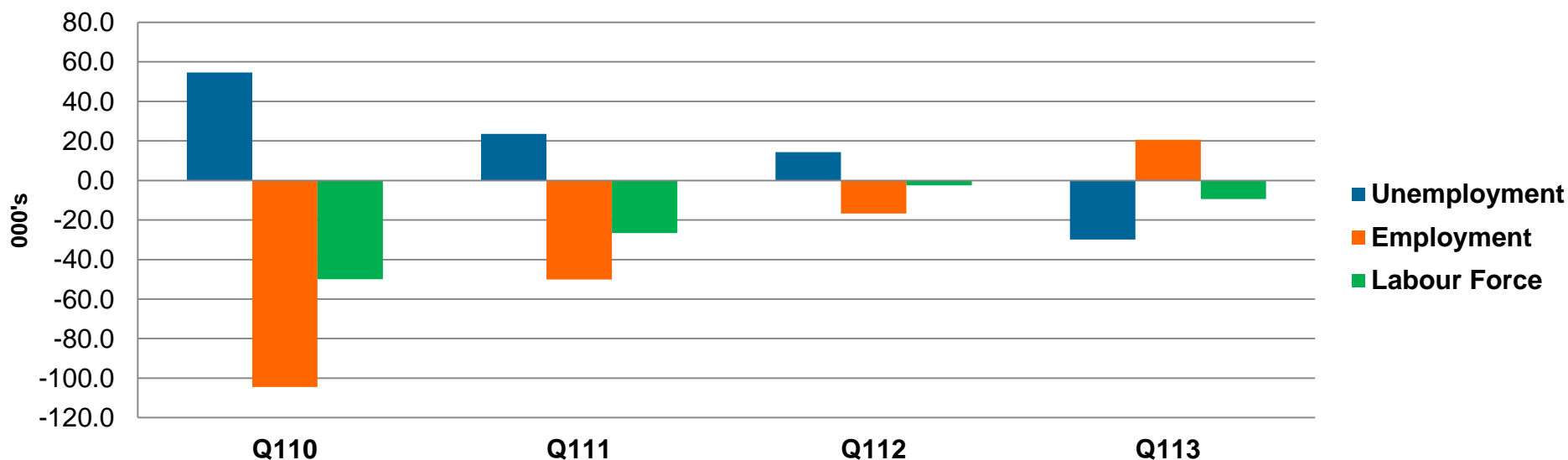
Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate, Q1 2008 to Q1 2013



Labour Force

- Decline over the year was 0.4% (-9,400). Year to Q4 2012 was -0.8%(-18,000)
- Employment up 20,500; unemployment down 29,900
- Since Q110 labour force has fallen by 38,500 (employment down 46,300 with unemployment up 7,800)

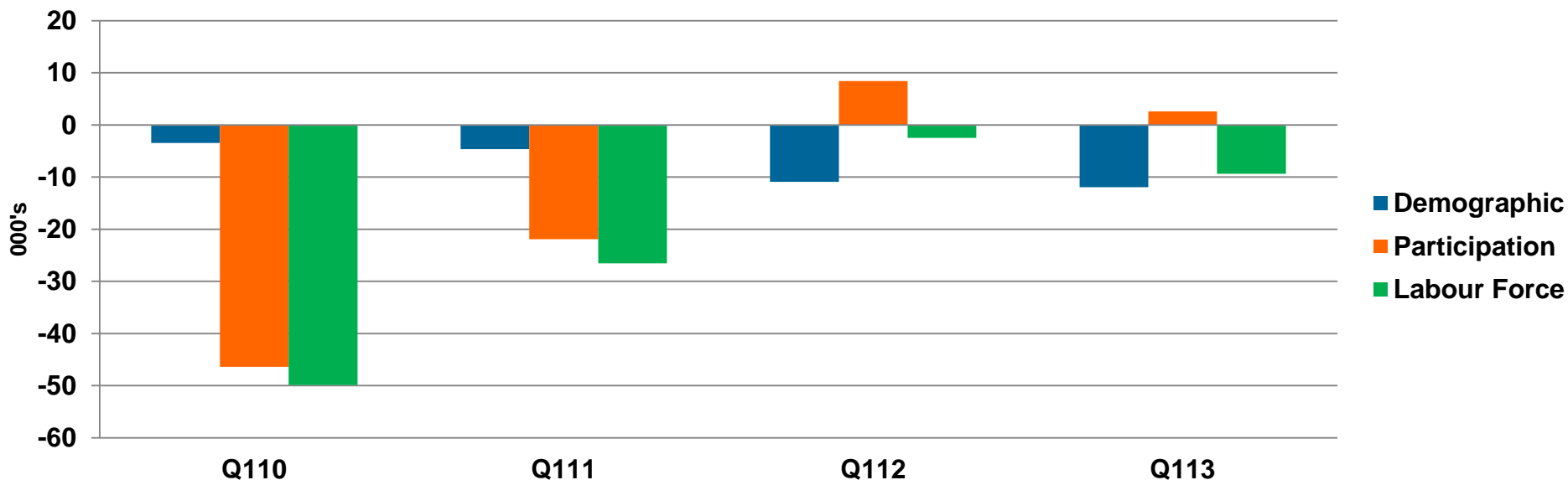
Annual Change in employment, unemployment and the labour force, Q1 2010 to Q1 2013



Labour Force contd.

- Participation rate down over the year (59.5% compared with 59.7% a year earlier)
- Demographic effect -12,000
- Demographic effect almost exclusively concentrated in the 20-24 and 25-34 age groups

Annual change in the labour force by component, Q1 2010 to Q1 2013



Other issues

- The employment rate in the EU-27 was 64.2% in Q4 2012, while the comparable figure in Ireland was 59.3%.
- EU-27 unemployment rate (persons aged 15-74) in Q4 2012 was 10.6%, comparable figure in Ireland was 13.8%
- By February 2013 EU-27 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 10.9% compared to 13.7% in Ireland
- Note again new sample being introduced incrementally from Q4 2012 based on 2011 Census of Population – will be fully in effect as of Q4 2013.

Questions

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