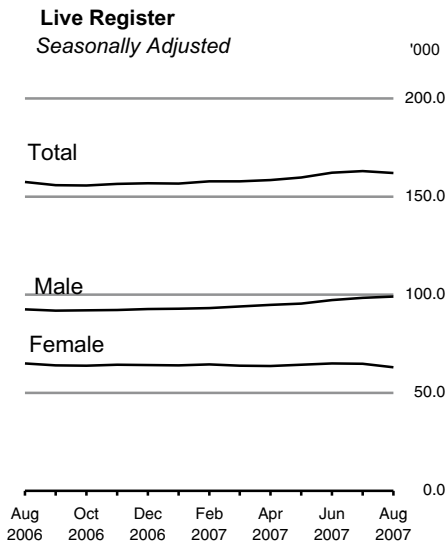




## Live Register August 2007



	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted
<b>August 2006</b>	169,614	157,500
<b>July 2007</b>	174,593	163,000
<b>August 2007</b>	174,206	162,000
<b>Change in month</b>	-387	-1,000
<b>Change in year</b>	+4,592	+4,500

### Slight decrease in Seasonally Adjusted Live Register in August

The seasonally adjusted Live Register total decreased from 163,000 in July to 162,000 in August, a decrease of 1,000. This compares with an increase of 800 in July. *See table 2a and graph opposite.*

In the year to August 2007, there was an unadjusted increase of 4,592 (+2.7%). This compares with an unadjusted increase of 5,647 (+3.3%) in the year to July 2007.

Other features include:

- ◆ The monthly decrease in the Seasonally Adjusted series consisted of an increase of 700 males and a decrease of 1,700 females. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The standardised unemployment rate in August was 4.7%. This compares with 4.6%, the latest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate from the Quarterly National Household Survey. *See table 3 and background notes.*
- ◆ In the month, the estimated number of casual and part-time workers on the Live Register was 7,779 males and 11,649 females. *See background notes.*

**The Live Register is not designed to measure unemployment.** It includes part-time workers (those who work up to three days a week), seasonal and casual workers entitled to Jobseekers Benefit or Allowance. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest seasonally adjusted figure, for March to May 2007, is 100,900 persons unemployed.

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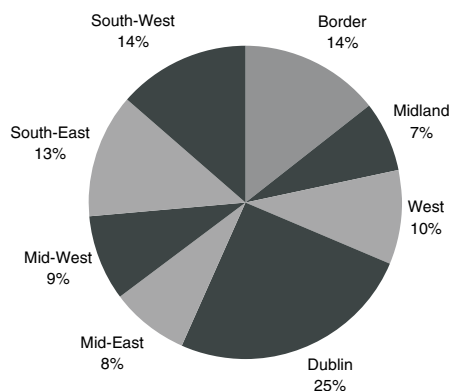
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## Live Register by Regional Authority



	August 2007	Monthly Change	Annual Change
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>54,907</b>	<b>+ 20</b>	<b>+ 2,489</b>
Border	24,963	- 221	+ 388
Midland	12,660	+ 161	+ 1,288
West	17,284	+ 80	+ 813
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>119,299</b>	<b>- 407</b>	<b>+ 2,103</b>
Dublin	43,568	- 50	- 116
Mid-East	14,488	- 11	+ 782
Mid-West	15,415	- 4	+ 554
South-East	22,284	- 208	+ 144
South-West	23,544	- 134	+ 739
<b>Total</b>	<b>174,206</b>	<b>- 387</b>	<b>+ 4,592</b>

## Unadjusted monthly decreases in six regions

There was an unadjusted monthly decrease of 387 (-0.2%) on the Live Register in August 2007, which reflected decreases in six regions. The largest percentage decreases were in the Border and South-East regions (both -0.9%) while the largest percentage increase was in the Midland region (+1.3%).

Other features in the month include:

- ◆ The number of males increased in all regions. The largest percentage increase was in the Midland region (+3.1%), while the smallest percentage increase was in the Border region (+0.2%).
- ◆ The number of females decreased in all regions. The largest percentage decreases were in the South-East and South-West regions (both -2.8%) while the smallest percentage decrease was in the Mid-East region (-0.6%).
- ◆ Amongst counties, the largest percentage decreases were in Cavan (-2.0%) and Kilkenny (-1.8%). The largest percentage increases were in Laoighis (+2.4%) and Longford (+2.3%). See tables 4 and 6.

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

Category	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	29,420	33,571	33,757	+ 186	+ 4,337
JA Applications	62,960	64,573	65,285	+ 712	+ 2,325
Other Registrants	2,646	2,499	2,550	+ 51	- 96
<b>Total</b>	<b>95,026</b>	<b>100,643</b>	<b>101,592</b>	<b>+ 949</b>	<b>+ 6,566</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	39,190	39,511	37,834	- 1,677	- 1,356
JA Applications	27,567	27,008	27,413	+ 405	- 154
Other Registrants	7,831	7,431	7,367	- 64	- 464
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,588</b>	<b>73,950</b>	<b>72,614</b>	<b>- 1,336</b>	<b>- 1,974</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	68,610	73,082	71,591	- 1,491	+ 2,981
JA Applications	90,527	91,581	92,698	+ 1,117	+ 2,171
Other Registrants	10,477	9,930	9,917	- 13	- 560
<b>Total</b>	<b>169,614</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>174,206</b>	<b>- 387</b>	<b>+ 4,592</b>

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

Category	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	4,877	5,783	5,900	+ 117	+ 1,023
JA Applications	13,898	14,722	14,943	+ 221	+ 1,045
Other Registrants	41	47	44	- 3	+ 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,816</b>	<b>20,552</b>	<b>20,887</b>	<b>+ 335</b>	<b>+ 2,071</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	4,277	4,318	4,366	+ 48	+ 89
JA Applications	10,502	10,360	10,475	+ 115	- 27
Other Registrants	109	103	104	+ 1	- 5
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,888</b>	<b>14,781</b>	<b>14,945</b>	<b>+ 164</b>	<b>+ 57</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	9,154	10,101	10,266	+ 165	+ 1,112
JA Applications	24,400	25,082	25,418	+ 336	+ 1,018
Other Registrants	150	150	148	- 2	- 2
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,704</b>	<b>35,333</b>	<b>35,832</b>	<b>+ 499</b>	<b>+ 2,128</b>

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

Category	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims	24,543	27,788	27,857	+ 69	+ 3,314
JA Applications	49,062	49,851	50,342	+ 491	+ 1,280
Other Registrants	2,605	2,452	2,506	+ 54	- 99
<b>Total</b>	<b>76,210</b>	<b>80,091</b>	<b>80,705</b>	<b>+ 614</b>	<b>+ 4,495</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims	34,913	35,193	33,468	- 1,725	- 1,445
JA Applications	17,065	16,648	16,938	+ 290	- 127
Other Registrants	7,722	7,328	7,263	- 65	- 459
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,700</b>	<b>59,169</b>	<b>57,669</b>	<b>- 1,500</b>	<b>- 2,031</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims	59,456	62,981	61,325	- 1,656	+ 1,869
JA Applications	66,127	66,499	67,280	+ 781	+ 1,153
Other Registrants	10,327	9,780	9,769	- 11	- 558
<b>Total</b>	<b>135,910</b>	<b>139,260</b>	<b>138,374</b>	<b>- 886</b>	<b>+ 2,464</b>

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series <sup>1</sup>		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2005	August	94,700	74,700	169,400	92,200	65,300	157,500
	September	90,200	63,200	153,300	92,300	64,500	156,800
	October	88,700	60,900	149,600	92,600	64,200	156,800
	November	89,400	60,700	150,100	92,900	65,100	157,900
	December	92,400	63,400	155,800	92,500	64,600	157,100
2006	January	95,900	64,200	160,100	92,800	65,100	157,900
	February	95,400	64,300	159,600	92,900	65,000	157,900
	March	93,500	62,100	155,500	92,500	64,800	157,300
	April	92,400	62,100	154,600	93,000	65,600	158,600
	May	91,500	61,100	152,600	93,200	65,100	158,300
	June	93,700	69,300	163,100	93,000	65,900	159,000
	July	94,800	74,200	168,900	92,500	65,000	157,500
	August	95,000	74,600	169,600	92,500	65,000	157,500
	September	89,800	62,500	152,300	91,900	63,900	155,800
	October	88,100	60,400	148,500	92,000	63,800	155,700
	November	88,600	59,900	148,500	92,100	64,300	156,500
	December	92,500	62,900	155,400	92,700	64,100	156,700
2007	January	95,800	62,900	158,800	92,800	63,900	156,600
	February	95,600	63,800	159,400	93,200	64,500	157,700
	March	94,800	61,100	155,900	93,900	63,800	157,700
	April	94,100	60,200	154,300	94,800	63,600	158,400
	May	93,800	60,200	154,000	95,500	64,200	159,700
	June	98,000	68,400	166,400	97,200	65,000	162,200
	July	100,600	74,000	174,600	98,300	64,700	163,000
	August	101,600	72,600	174,200	99,000	63,000	162,000

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

**Table 2b Persons under 25 years of age on the Live Register - Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted**

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series <sup>1</sup>		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2005	August	18,500	15,000	33,500	17,600	12,900	30,500
	September	17,500	13,100	30,600	17,700	12,700	30,500
	October	17,000	12,100	29,100	18,000	12,900	30,900
	November	17,100	11,900	28,900	18,200	13,000	31,100
	December	17,300	11,700	29,000	17,900	12,800	30,800
2006	January	18,500	12,700	31,300	17,900	12,900	30,800
	February	18,600	12,900	31,500	18,000	13,000	31,000
	March	18,200	12,600	30,800	17,900	13,100	31,000
	April	17,800	12,400	30,100	18,000	13,200	31,100
	May	17,600	12,400	30,000	18,100	13,100	31,200
	June	18,400	14,200	32,600	18,000	13,300	31,300
	July	18,700	14,800	33,600	17,900	12,900	30,800
	August	18,800	14,900	33,700	17,900	12,800	30,700
	September	17,600	13,200	30,900	17,800	12,900	30,700
	October	16,900	12,200	29,200	18,000	13,000	31,000
	November	16,900	11,800	28,600	18,000	12,900	30,800
	December	17,500	11,600	29,100	18,100	12,800	30,900
2007	January	18,600	12,500	31,100	18,000	12,700	30,700
	February	18,600	12,500	31,100	18,100	12,600	30,600
	March	18,600	12,200	30,800	18,300	12,600	31,000
	April	18,500	12,000	30,500	18,700	12,800	31,500
	May	18,400	12,200	30,600	18,900	12,900	31,800
	June	19,800	14,100	33,900	19,300	13,200	32,500
	July	20,600	14,800	35,300	19,700	12,900	32,500
	August	20,900	14,900	35,800	19,900	12,900	32,800

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

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series <sup>1</sup>		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2005	August	76,100	59,800	135,900	74,600	52,400	127,000
	September	72,700	50,100	122,700	74,500	51,800	126,300
	October	71,800	48,700	120,500	74,500	51,400	125,900
	November	72,300	48,800	121,100	74,700	52,100	126,800
	December	75,100	51,800	126,800	74,600	51,800	126,300
2006	January	77,400	51,500	128,900	74,900	52,200	127,100
	February	76,800	51,300	128,100	74,900	51,900	126,800
	March	75,300	49,500	124,700	74,600	51,800	126,400
	April	74,700	49,800	124,500	75,100	52,400	127,500
	May	73,900	48,700	122,600	75,100	52,000	127,100
	June	75,400	55,100	130,400	75,000	52,600	127,700
	July	76,000	59,400	135,400	74,600	52,100	126,700
	August	76,200	59,700	135,900	74,600	52,200	126,800
	September	72,200	49,300	121,500	74,100	51,100	125,100
	October	71,200	48,100	119,300	74,000	50,800	124,800
	November	71,700	48,200	119,900	74,200	51,500	125,600
	December	75,000	51,300	126,300	74,500	51,300	125,800
2007	January	77,200	50,500	127,600	74,700	51,200	125,900
	February	77,000	51,300	128,300	75,200	51,900	127,100
	March	76,200	48,900	125,100	75,500	51,200	126,700
	April	75,600	48,200	123,800	76,100	50,800	126,900
	May	75,500	48,000	123,400	76,600	51,200	127,800
	June	78,200	54,300	132,500	77,900	51,800	129,700
	July	80,100	59,200	139,300	78,700	51,800	130,500
	August	80,700	57,700	138,400	79,100	50,100	129,200

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

**Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates (SUR)<sup>1</sup>**

Month	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
January <sup>2</sup>	3.7	4.4	4.7	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.4
February	3.7	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.5
March	3.7	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.6
April <sup>2</sup>	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.6 <sup>3</sup>
May	3.8	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.6
June	3.9	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.7
July <sup>2</sup>	4.0	4.3	4.8	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.7
August	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.7
September	3.9	4.5	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	
October <sup>2</sup>	4.0	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.2	
November	4.2	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.3	
December	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.4	
Annual average	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	

<sup>1</sup> Table contains revised figures.

<sup>2</sup> Benchmark Labour Force Survey/Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) estimates.

<sup>3</sup> The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (adjusted for seasonality) is: March - May 2007, 4.6%.

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

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions <sup>1</sup>	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over		
<b>Males</b>									
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>28,328</b>	<b>30,797</b>	<b>31,192</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,864</b>	<b>6,584</b>	<b>24,608</b>
Border	13699	14325	14352	+	27	+	653	2974	11,378
Midland	5772	6843	7056	+	213	+	1,284	1611	5,445
West	8857	9629	9784	+	155	+	927	1999	7,785
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>66,698</b>	<b>69,846</b>	<b>70,400</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>554</b>		<b>3,702</b>	<b>14,303</b>	<b>56,097</b>
Dublin	26,374	26,841	27,046	+	205	+	672	5,553	21,493
Mid-East	7,348	8,139	8,164	+	25	+	816	1,637	6,527
Mid-West	8,116	8,671	8,777	+	106	+	661	1,829	6,948
South-East	12,159	12,553	12,628	+	75	+	469	2,677	9,951
South-West	12,701	13,642	13,785	+	143	+	1,084	2,607	11,178
<b>Total</b>	<b>95,026</b>	<b>100,643</b>	<b>101,592</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>6,566</b>	<b>20,887</b>	<b>80,705</b>
<b>Females</b>									
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>24,090</b>	<b>24,090</b>	<b>23,715</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>5,161</b>	<b>18,554</b>
Border	10,876	10,859	10,611	-	248	-	265	2,335	8,276
Midland	5,600	5,656	5,604	-	52	+	4	1,294	4,310
West	7,614	7,575	7,500	-	75	-	114	1,532	5,968
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>50,498</b>	<b>49,860</b>	<b>48,899</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,599</b>	<b>9,784</b>	<b>39,115</b>
Dublin	17,310	16,777	16,522	-	255	-	788	3,344	13,178
Mid-East	6,358	6,360	6,324	-	36	-	34	1,108	5,216
Mid-West	6,745	6,748	6,638	-	110	-	107	1,408	5,230
South-East	9,981	9,939	9,656	-	283	-	325	2,115	7,541
South-West	10,104	10,036	9,759	-	277	-	345	1,809	7,950
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,588</b>	<b>73,950</b>	<b>72,614</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,336</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,974</b>	<b>14,945</b>	<b>57,669</b>
<b>All Persons</b>									
<b>Border, Midland &amp; Western</b>	<b>52,418</b>	<b>54,887</b>	<b>54,907</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,489</b>	<b>11,745</b>	<b>43,162</b>
Border	24,575	25,184	24,963	-	221	+	388	5,309	19,654
Midland	11,372	12,499	12,660	+	161	+	1,288	2,905	9,755
West	16,471	17,204	17,284	+	80	+	813	3,531	13,753
<b>Southern &amp; Eastern</b>	<b>117,196</b>	<b>119,706</b>	<b>119,299</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>2,103</b>	<b>24,087</b>	<b>95,212</b>
Dublin	43,684	43,618	43,568	-	50	-	116	8,897	34,671
Mid-East	13,706	14,499	14,488	-	11	+	782	2,745	11,743
Mid-West	14,861	15,419	15,415	-	4	+	554	3,237	12,178
South-East	22,140	22,492	22,284	-	208	+	144	4,792	17,492
South-West	22,805	23,678	23,544	-	134	+	739	4,416	19,128
<b>Total</b>	<b>169,614</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>174,206</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>4,592</b>	<b>35,832</b>	<b>138,374</b>

<sup>1</sup> The composition of the regions is described in the Background Notes.

**Table 5 Persons on the Live Register classified by Province**

Provinces	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over		
<b>Provinces</b>									
Leinster	87,784	90,181	90,125	-	56	+	2,341	18,720	71,405
Munster	47,911	49,257	49,038	-	219	+	1,127	9,798	39,240
Connacht	19,811	20,807	20,884	+	77	+	1,073	4,256	16,628
Ulster	14,108	14,348	14,159	-	189	+	51	3,058	11,101
<b>Total</b>	<b>169,614</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>174,206</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>4,592</b>	<b>35,832</b>	<b>138,374</b>

**Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration**

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>52,418</b>	<b>54,887</b>	<b>54,907</b>	<b>6,584</b>	<b>24,608</b>	<b>31,192</b>	<b>5,161</b>	<b>18,554</b>	<b>23,715</b>
<b>Border</b>	<b>24,575</b>	<b>25,184</b>	<b>24,963</b>	<b>2,974</b>	<b>11,378</b>	<b>14,352</b>	<b>2,335</b>	<b>8,276</b>	<b>10,611</b>
Cavan	2,468	2,702	2,649	308	1,182	1,490	262	897	1,159
Ballyconnell <sup>1</sup>	505	507	514	38	245	283	51	180	231
Cavan	1,963	2,195	2,135	270	937	1,207	211	717	928
Donegal	9,351	9,274	9,151	1,074	4,105	5,179	912	3,060	3,972
Ballybofey	879	888	855	125	335	460	137	258	395
Ballyshannon	476	527	544	71	212	283	50	211	261
Buncrana	1,825	1,818	1,794	175	816	991	204	599	803
Donegal	486	648	630	60	222	282	45	303	348
Dunfanaghy	783	735	729	114	324	438	52	239	291
Dungloe	1,368	1,247	1,216	106	607	713	61	442	503
Killybegs	932	884	869	62	442	504	56	309	365
Letterkenny	2,602	2,527	2,514	361	1,147	1,508	307	699	1,006
Leitrim	1,243	1,380	1,391	121	641	762	101	528	629
Carrick-on-Shannon	901	1,016	1,017	88	467	555	66	396	462
Manorhamilton	342	364	374	33	174	207	35	132	167
Louth	7,127	7,233	7,204	906	3,352	4,258	620	2,326	2,946
Ardee	845	876	865	105	357	462	80	323	403
Drogheda	3,370	3,371	3,376	395	1,523	1,918	293	1,165	1,458
Dundalk	2,912	2,986	2,963	406	1,472	1,878	247	838	1,085
Monaghan	2,289	2,372	2,359	256	1,042	1,298	246	815	1,061
Carrickmacross	571	601	598	49	250	299	47	252	299
Castleblayney	716	696	706	81	319	400	90	216	306
Clones	254	274	250	28	110	138	34	78	112
Monaghan	748	801	805	98	363	461	75	269	344
Sligo	2,097	2,223	2,209	309	1,056	1,365	194	650	844
Sligo	1,735	1,829	1,825	276	892	1,168	151	506	657
Tubbercurry	362	394	384	33	164	197	43	144	187
<b>Midland</b>	<b>11,372</b>	<b>12,499</b>	<b>12,660</b>	<b>1,611</b>	<b>5,445</b>	<b>7,056</b>	<b>1,294</b>	<b>4,310</b>	<b>5,604</b>
Laoighis	2,285	2,600	2,663	359	1,123	1,482	271	910	1,181
Portllington	900	1,009	1,030	141	437	578	103	349	452
Portlaoise	1,019	1,157	1,200	167	504	671	123	406	529
Rathdowney	366	434	433	51	182	233	45	155	200
Longford	2,128	2,334	2,388	328	1,088	1,416	233	739	972
Longford	2,128	2,334	2,388	328	1,088	1,416	233	739	972
Offaly	2,947	3,208	3,256	398	1,449	1,847	361	1,048	1,409
Birr	917	931	932	106	395	501	111	320	431
Edenderry	721	800	826	97	389	486	79	261	340
Tullamore	1,309	1,477	1,498	195	665	860	171	467	638
Westmeath	4,012	4,357	4,353	526	1,785	2,311	429	1,613	2,042
Athlone	1,657	1,755	1,727	212	708	920	179	628	807
Castlepollard	403	453	457	51	188	239	37	181	218
Mullingar	1,952	2,149	2,169	263	889	1,152	213	804	1,017
<b>West</b>	<b>16,471</b>	<b>17,204</b>	<b>17,284</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>7,785</b>	<b>9,784</b>	<b>1,532</b>	<b>5,968</b>	<b>7,500</b>
Galway	9,753	10,400	10,440	1,210	4,687	5,897	974	3,569	4,543
Ballinasloe	949	987	987	145	428	573	98	316	414
Clifden	624	602	596	69	294	363	51	182	233
Galway	5,718	6,125	6,185	742	2,846	3,588	613	1,984	2,597
Gort	519	615	618	48	240	288	39	291	330
Loughrea	742	800	773	83	332	415	75	283	358
Tuam	1,201	1,271	1,281	123	547	670	98	513	611

<sup>1</sup> Ballyconnell replaces previous office Belturbet with effect from September 2006.

**Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration**

-continued			Males				Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	5,320	5,279	5,305	582	2,424	3,006	448	1,851	2,299
Achill	217	240	241	28	134	162	15	64	79
Ballina	1,448	1,421	1,445	186	695	881	146	418	564
Ballinrobe	433	386	380	29	158	187	37	156	193
Belmullet	548	543	508	54	265	319	43	146	189
Castlebar	961	930	930	95	359	454	85	391	476
Claremorris	433	462	476	47	209	256	38	182	220
Swinford	720	757	764	97	314	411	63	290	353
Westport	560	540	561	46	290	336	21	204	225
Roscommon	1,398	1,525	1,539	207	674	881	110	548	658
Boyle	372	401	404	48	178	226	25	153	178
Castlereagh	639	683	685	92	297	389	53	243	296
Roscommon	387	441	450	67	199	266	32	152	184
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>117,196</b>	<b>119,706</b>	<b>119,299</b>	<b>14,303</b>	<b>56,097</b>	<b>70,400</b>	<b>9,784</b>	<b>39,115</b>	<b>48,899</b>
<b>Dublin</b>	<b>43,684</b>	<b>43,618</b>	<b>43,568</b>	<b>5,553</b>	<b>21,493</b>	<b>27,046</b>	<b>3,344</b>	<b>13,178</b>	<b>16,522</b>
Dublin	43,684	43,618	43,568	5,553	21,493	27,046	3,344	13,178	16,522
Bishop Square	3,881	3,734	3,687	395	1,988	2,383	225	1,079	1,304
Cumberland Street	5,456	5,309	5,336	653	2,639	3,292	403	1,641	2,044
Navan Road	2,773	2,743	2,710	317	1,474	1,791	231	688	919
Blanchardstown	3,872	3,795	3,772	438	1,754	2,192	321	1,259	1,580
Thomas Street	2,252	2,251	2,268	274	1,340	1,614	150	504	654
Tara Street	1,273	1,114	1,166	105	643	748	66	352	418
Tallaght	3,782	3,990	4,010	649	1,928	2,577	382	1,051	1,433
Ballymun	1,588	1,570	1,577	292	763	1,055	157	365	522
Clondalkin	3,716	3,876	3,842	603	1,783	2,386	373	1,083	1,456
Rathfarnham	2,184	2,086	2,125	194	876	1,070	116	939	1,055
Kilbarrack	2,508	2,358	2,339	255	1,133	1,388	131	820	951
Dun Laoghaire	2,780	2,873	2,875	232	1,378	1,610	99	1,166	1,265
Balbriggan	1,465	1,562	1,566	142	743	885	119	562	681
Ballyfermot	1,298	1,374	1,398	259	697	956	150	292	442
Finglas	2,354	2,478	2,461	398	1,180	1,578	210	673	883
Coolock	2,502	2,505	2,436	347	1,174	1,521	211	704	915
<b>Mid-East</b>	<b>13,706</b>	<b>14,499</b>	<b>14,488</b>	<b>1,637</b>	<b>6,527</b>	<b>8,164</b>	<b>1,108</b>	<b>5,216</b>	<b>6,324</b>
Kildare	5,543	6,195	6,187	698	2,743	3,441	507	2,239	2,746
Athy	931	1,006	1,028	115	491	606	85	337	422
Maynooth	1,693	1,810	1,855	188	713	901	158	796	954
Newbridge	2,919	3,379	3,304	395	1,539	1,934	264	1,106	1,370
Meath	3,481	3,568	3,549	370	1,555	1,925	279	1,345	1,624
Kells	792	632	632	63	250	313	78	241	319
Navan	1,791	1,928	1,917	205	920	1,125	128	664	792
Trim	898	1,008	1,000	102	385	487	73	440	513
Wicklow	4,682	4,736	4,752	569	2,229	2,798	322	1,632	1,954
Arklow	1,268	1,358	1,331	161	616	777	91	463	554
Baltinglass	483	530	526	70	221	291	62	173	235
Bray	2,064	1,954	2,002	219	959	1,178	113	711	824
Wicklow	867	894	893	119	433	552	56	285	341
<b>Mid-West</b>	<b>14,861</b>	<b>15,419</b>	<b>15,415</b>	<b>1,829</b>	<b>6,948</b>	<b>8,777</b>	<b>1,408</b>	<b>5,230</b>	<b>6,638</b>
Clare	4,091	4,421	4,479	481	1,944	2,425	343	1,711	2,054
Ennis	2,521	2,688	2,738	317	1,150	1,467	215	1,056	1,271
Ennistymon	564	614	617	49	284	333	44	240	284
Kilrush	584	638	622	71	275	346	53	223	276
Tulla	422	481	502	44	235	279	31	192	223
Limerick	8,253	8,421	8,362	1,092	3,935	5,027	823	2,512	3,335
Kilmallock	920	928	937	117	415	532	90	315	405
Limerick	6,327	6,349	6,282	841	2,996	3,837	601	1,844	2,445
Newcastle West	1,006	1,144	1,143	134	524	658	132	353	485

**Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration**

-continued			Males				Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	August 2006	July 2007	August 2007	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
North Tipperary	2,517	2,577	2,574	256	1,069	1,325	242	1,007	1,249
Nenagh	905	943	939	69	405	474	73	392	465
Roscrea	531	502	514	50	214	264	47	203	250
Thurles	1,081	1,132	1,121	137	450	587	122	412	534
<b>South-East</b>	<b>22,140</b>	<b>22,492</b>	<b>22,284</b>	<b>2,677</b>	<b>9,951</b>	<b>12,628</b>	<b>2,115</b>	<b>7,541</b>	<b>9,656</b>
Carlow	2,219	2,506	2,488	307	1,102	1,409	271	808	1,079
Bagenalstown	531	562	521	63	225	288	64	169	233
Carlow	1,178	1,352	1,392	188	652	840	145	407	552
Tullow	510	592	575	56	225	281	62	232	294
Kilkenny	2,806	2,766	2,715	323	1,241	1,564	274	877	1,151
Kilkenny	2,356	2,296	2,250	271	1,042	1,313	230	707	937
Thomastown	450	470	465	52	199	251	44	170	214
South Tipperary	3,392	3,283	3,233	435	1,453	1,888	334	1,011	1,345
Cahir	416	456	449	46	199	245	48	156	204
Carrick-on-Suir	1,010	943	915	94	452	546	73	296	369
Cashel	370	368	361	59	145	204	50	107	157
Clonmel	999	938	958	150	408	558	108	292	400
Tipperary	597	578	550	86	249	335	55	160	215
Waterford	6,853	6,877	6,846	830	3,134	3,964	546	2,336	2,882
Dungarvan	1,156	1,066	1,039	90	492	582	73	384	457
Waterford	5,697	5,811	5,807	740	2,642	3,382	473	1,952	2,425
Wexford	6,870	7,060	7,002	782	3,021	3,803	690	2,509	3,199
Enniscorthy	1,773	1,843	1,879	247	836	1,083	204	592	796
Gorey	1,283	1,326	1,323	133	531	664	130	529	659
New Ross	1,283	1,367	1,319	153	550	703	140	476	616
Wexford	2,531	2,524	2,481	249	1,104	1,353	216	912	1,128
<b>South-West</b>	<b>22,805</b>	<b>23,678</b>	<b>23,544</b>	<b>2,607</b>	<b>11,178</b>	<b>13,785</b>	<b>1,809</b>	<b>7,950</b>	<b>9,759</b>
Cork	16,761	17,360	17,142	1,942	8,216	10,158	1,312	5,672	6,984
Bandon	542	534	509	52	256	308	22	179	201
Bantry	329	339	334	11	142	153	17	164	181
Bantry (SWLO)	144	136	153	7	56	63	7	83	90
Carrigaline <sup>2</sup>	720	729	725	75	351	426	43	256	299
Clonakilty	483	487	492	25	203	228	25	239	264
Cobh	370	422	420	57	206	263	37	120	157
Cork	8,254	8,475	8,375	1,195	4,270	5,465	718	2,192	2,910
Dunmanway	255	238	201	19	73	92	14	95	109
Fermoy	954	1,062	1,055	128	474	602	76	377	453
Kinsale	619	566	561	18	224	242	30	289	319
Macroom	427	492	509	39	220	259	33	217	250
Mallow	814	948	929	98	458	556	89	284	373
Midleton	1,169	1,144	1,139	87	543	630	72	437	509
Newmarket	543	579	555	56	234	290	49	216	265
Skibbereen	414	385	371	20	142	162	23	186	209
Youghal	724	824	814	55	364	419	57	338	395
Kerry	6,044	6,318	6,402	665	2,962	3,627	497	2,278	2,775
Cahirciveen	298	283	280	27	123	150	18	112	130
Dingle	233	246	251	16	118	134	10	107	117
Kenmare	133	170	167	14	75	89	6	72	78
Killarney	823	896	902	102	362	464	78	360	438
Killorglin	367	388	389	18	187	205	22	162	184
Listowel	971	1,089	1,122	132	513	645	118	359	477
Tralee	3,219	3,246	3,291	356	1,584	1,940	245	1,106	1,351
<b>State</b>	<b>169,614</b>	<b>174,593</b>	<b>174,206</b>	<b>20,887</b>	<b>80,705</b>	<b>101,592</b>	<b>14,945</b>	<b>57,669</b>	<b>72,614</b>

<sup>2</sup> Carrigaline replaces previous office Passage West with effect from November 2006.

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

	Number of weeks	Males		Females		Total	
		Live Register	Average net weekly change	Live Register	Average net weekly change	Live Register	Average net weekly change
2005 August	4	94,672	+ 137	74,721	+ 84	169,393	+ 221
September	5	90,179	- 899	63,156	- 2,313	153,335	- 3,212
October	4	88,749	- 358	60,895	- 565	149,644	- 923
November	4	89,377	+ 157	60,696	- 50	150,073	+ 107
December	5	92,392	+ 603	63,441	+ 549	155,833	+ 1,152
2006 January	4	95,920	+ 882	64,219	+ 195	160,139	+ 1,077
February	4	95,363	- 139	64,254	+ 9	159,617	- 131
March	5	93,461	- 380	62,082	- 434	155,543	- 815
April	4	92,419	- 261	62,147	+ 16	154,566	- 244
May	4	91,492	- 232	61,068	- 270	152,560	- 502
June	5	93,747	+ 451	69,312	+ 1,649	163,059	+ 2,100
July	4	94,750	+ 251	74,196	+ 1,221	168,946	+ 1,472
August	4	95,026	+ 69	74,588	+ 98	169,614	+ 167
September	5	89,810	- 1,043	62,497	- 2,418	152,307	- 3,461
October	4	88,128	- 421	60,378	- 530	148,506	- 950
November	4	88,583	+ 114	59,946	- 108	148,529	+ 6
December	5	92,499	+ 783	62,890	+ 589	155,389	+ 1,372
2007 January	4	95,824	+ 831	62,928	+ 10	158,752	+ 841
February	4	95,639	- 46	63,760	+ 208	159,399	+ 162
March	5	94,790	- 170	61,079	- 536	155,869	- 706
April	4	94,122	- 167	60,197	- 221	154,319	- 388
May	4	93,827	- 74	60,183	- 4	154,010	- 77
June	5	97,962	+ 827	68,401	+ 1,644	166,363	+ 2,471
July	4	100,643	+ 670	73,950	+ 1,387	174,593	+ 2,058
August	5	101,592	+ 190	72,614	- 267	174,206	- 77

## Background Notes

**Source and scope of the Live Register** The Live Register is compiled from returns made directly to the Central Statistics Office by each local office of the Department of Social and Family Affairs. It comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:

- ◆ All Claimants for Jobseekers Benefit (JB) excluding systematic short-time workers
- ◆ Applicants for Jobseekers Allowance (JA) excluding smallholders/farm assists and other self-employed persons
- ◆ Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.

**Descriptive articles** The compilation basis for the Live Register statistics from May 1992 onwards is described in the September 1992 issue of the *Statistical Bulletin*. The March 1980 issue contained a description of the basis used up to April 1992 while a more comprehensive treatment of Live Register statistics appeared in the "Report of the Inter-Departmental Study Group on Unemployment Statistics" (Stationery Office Dublin, Prl.7925, April 1979). The results of a special study of the differences between the Labour Force Survey (LFS) Estimates of Unemployment and the Live Register are contained in the December 1996 issue of the *Statistical Bulletin*.

**Unemployment statistics** The Live Register is not designed to measure unemployment. It includes part-time (those who work up to three days a week), seasonal and casual workers entitled to Jobseekers Allowance or Jobseekers Benefit. **Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey** (formerly the Annual Labour Force Survey).

**Standardised unemployment rates** The Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR) series in Table 3 is based on the estimated number of persons unemployed expressed as a percentage of the total economically active population (i.e. the Labour Force), using internationally comparable definitions of employment and unemployment, as recommended by the International Labour Office. Benchmark estimates of the SUR for January, April, July and October of each year are calculated using seasonally adjusted data from the Quarterly National Household Survey. The monthly trend in the seasonally adjusted Live Register is then used to estimate the monthly SUR between successive surveys.

This approach was temporarily suspended following the rapid decline in the Live Register after September 1996. A linear interpolation estimation approach was used between April 1996 and April 1997, as the Live Register series could not be used as an indicator of monthly trends in unemployment during that period. The traditional estimation approach has been used from April 1997 onwards.

**QNHS** The Quarterly National Household Survey, which began in September 1997, has now replaced the Labour Force Survey and provides quarterly estimates of the unemployment rate. The estimates (adjusted for seasonality) are:

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	%	%	%	%
1998	8.7	8.0	7.2	6.5
1999	5.9	5.9	5.4	5.1
2000	4.8	4.4	4.0	3.9
2001	3.7	3.8	4.0	4.0
2002	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.6
2003	4.7	4.5	4.8	4.5
2004	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4
2005	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.5
2006	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.2
2007	4.4	4.6		

**Seasonal adjustment** The seasonal adjustment of the Live Register is completed using the X-11 Variant of the US Bureau of Census Method 2 (Additive Option). The seasonally adjusted series are updated twice yearly, in January and July; pending the next updating, seasonal adjustment for intervening months is carried out using projected seasonal factors. In Tables 2a, b and c, the seasonally adjusted totals are the sum of the relevant seasonally adjusted series for males and females, under and over 25 years.

**Casual and part-time workers** The casual and part-time workers' figure is based on an estimate supplied by the Department of Social and Family Affairs. People may apply for Jobseekers Benefit/Allowance if they only work for part of a week and be included on the Live Register.

**Live Register Area Analysis** The basis of the area classification used in this release is the Department of Social and Family Affairs local office of registration. The areas served by Local Employment Offices do not correspond to specific geographic boundaries. Therefore, registrants at a given local office do not necessarily come from a particular region or area which can be precisely delineated. A classification by area of residence of persons on the Live Register was published until January 1989 but was then discontinued.

**NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions** The regional classifications in this release are based on the NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units) classification used by Eurostat. The NUTS3 regions correspond to the eight Regional Authorities established under the Local Government Act, 1991 (Regional Authorities) (Establishment) Order, 1993, which came into operation on 1 January 1994. The NUTS2 regions, which were proposed by Government and agreed by Eurostat in 1999, are groupings of the NUTS3 regions.

**Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region**

<b>Border</b>	Cavan Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo
<b>Midland</b>	Laoighis Longford Offaly Westmeath
<b>West</b>	Galway City Galway County Mayo Roscommon

**Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region**

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