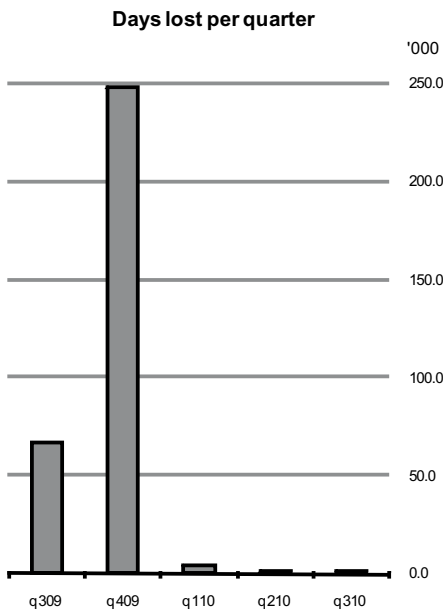




Industrial Disputes

Quarter 3 2010



Disputes in Progress

	Disputes	Workers	Days lost
<i>Quarter</i>			
Q3 2009	13	11,646	66,826
Q2 2010	3	22	1,136
Q3 2010	4	156	1,222
<i>Year to date comparison</i>			
Q1 - Q3 2009	20	25,076	81,442
Q1 - Q3 2010	13	480	6,575

1,222 days lost to industrial disputes in the third quarter

During the third quarter of 2010 there were 1,222 days lost to industrial disputes. This compares with 66,826 for the same period last year. *See table 3.*

- There were four disputes in progress in the third quarter of 2010 involving 156 workers and four firms. Three of the four disputes began in the third quarter, with the fourth ongoing since the first quarter. *See table 1.*
- Three disputes in the *Administrative and support service activities* sector accounted for 69% of the total days lost in Q3 2010.
- There were 13 disputes in progress in the first nine months of 2010 with a total of 6,575 days lost compared with 20 disputes and 81,442 days lost for the same period in 2009.

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Table 1 Industrial Disputes which began or were in progress in the third quarter of 2010

Economic sector (NACE Rev. 2)	Disputes which began in Q3 2010	Disputes in progress during Q3 2010			Total days lost
		Number of disputes	Number of firms	Number of workers	
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	–	–	–	–	–
B-E Industry	1	1	1	40	379
F Construction	–	–	–	–	–
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	–	–	–	–	–
H Transportation and storage	–	–	–	–	–
I Accommodation and food service activities	–	–	–	–	–
J Information and communication	–	–	–	–	–
K-L Financial, insurance and real estate activities	–	–	–	–	–
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	–	–	–	–	–
N Administrative and support service activities	2	3	3	116	843
O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	–	–	–	–	–
P Education	–	–	–	–	–
Q Human health and social work activities	–	–	–	–	–
R-U Other NACE activities	–	–	–	–	–
All NACE Economic Sectors Q3 2010	3	4	4	156	1,222

Table 2 Industrial Disputes which began or were in progress in the first nine months of 2010

Economic sector (NACE Rev. 2)	Disputes which began in 2010	Disputes in progress during 2010			Total days lost
		Number of disputes	Number of firms	Number of workers	
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	–	–	–	–	–
B-E Industry ¹	3	4	4	179	1,984
F Construction	–	–	–	–	–
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	2	2	2	9	230
H Transportation and storage	1	2	2	92	1,905
I Accommodation and food service activities	–	–	–	–	–
J Information and communication	–	–	–	–	–
K-L Financial, insurance and real estate activities	–	–	–	–	–
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	–	–	–	–	–
N Administrative and support service activities ¹	4	4	4	120	2,342
O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	–	–	–	–	–
P Education	–	–	–	–	–
Q Human health and social work activities	1	1	1	80	114
R-U Other NACE activities	–	–	–	–	–
All NACE Economic Sectors 2010	11	13	13	480	6,575

¹ The number of workers and days lost in disputes has been revised.

Table 3 Industrial Disputes which began or were in progress in each quarter, 2002-2010

Year	Quarter	Disputes which began ²	Disputes in progress			
			Number of disputes ³	Number of firms involved ³	Workers involved ³	Total days lost
2002	Quarter 1	8	8	22	1,081	3,623
	Quarter 2	7	8	9	1,763	9,666
	Quarter 3	9	11	11	1,021	4,613
	Quarter 4	3	5	5	352	3,355
	Total 2002	27	27	43	3,553	21,257
2003	Quarter 1	4	5	5	459	3,081
	Quarter 2	9	9	17	1,298	29,196
	Quarter 3	4	6	6	641	938
	Quarter 4	6	8	8	1,197	4,267
	Total 2003	23	24	32	3,567	37,482
2004	Quarter 1	1	3	3	1,361	2,569
	Quarter 2	3	4	4	417	2,801
	Quarter 3	2	4	4	267	3,074
	Quarter 4	3	3	3	8,345	12,340
	Total 2004	9	11	11	10,227	20,784
2005	Quarter 1	1	1	1	86	123
	Quarter 2	6	6	6	866	1,556
	Quarter 3	3	4	4	1,083	2,398
	Quarter 4	5	5	5	1,264	22,588
	Total 2005	15	15	14	3,291	26,665
2006	Quarter 1	2	2	2	226	3,407
	Quarter 2	3	4	4	485	1,801
	Quarter 3	4	4	4	209	1,054
	Quarter 4	1	2	2	307	1,090
	Total 2006	10	10	10	1,186	7,352
2007	Quarter 1	3	3	3	435	1,797
	Quarter 2	0	1	1	300	300
	Quarter 3	0	0	0	0	0
	Quarter 4	3	3	3	1001	3,941
	Total 2007	6	6	6	1,436	6,038
2008	Quarter 1	4	4	4	173	1,477
	Quarter 2	4	5	5	132	695
	Quarter 3	2	3	3	34	578
	Quarter 4	2	4	4	99	1,397
	Total 2008	12	12	10	356	4,147
2009	Quarter 1	1	3	3	12,020	11,327
	Quarter 2	6	6	6	1,496	3,289
	Quarter 3	11	13	158	11,646	66,826
	Quarter 4	3	8	8	266,334	248,151
	Total 2009	21	23	168	278,228	329,593
2010	Quarter 1	6	8	8	330	4,217
	Quarter 2 ¹	2	3	3	22	1,136
	Quarter 3	3	4	4	156	1,222

¹ The number of workers and days lost in disputes in this quarter has been revised.

² See Scope and Days Lost in Background Notes for more information on criteria for inclusion of disputes.

³ The quarterly totals in these columns will not always add to the annual total since an Industrial Dispute can be in progress in more than one quarter.

Background Notes

- Sources** The information on Industrial Disputes is based on details supplied by the Industrial Relations Section, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Innovation (www.entemp.ie/employment/industrial-relations) and on information collected directly from other sources by the Central Statistics Office.
- Scope** Disputes are included in this release if they involve a stoppage of work lasting for at least one day and the total time lost is 10 or more person-days.
- Days Lost** In calculating days lost, it is assumed that work would have continued if no dispute had occurred. No allowance is made for loss of work from unemployment or other causes (such as bad weather) which might have happened even if there was no dispute. The number of days lost is calculated by multiplying the number of persons involved by the number of normal working days during which they were involved in the dispute. Persons working for approximately 40 hours per week are assumed to be working the equivalent of a 5 day week even if the work is spread over more than 5 days.
- Disputes in Progress** The tables show data on disputes which began and disputes which were in progress in each quarter. The quarterly figures for the number of disputes in progress and for the number of firms and workers involved will not always add to the annual total, since an industrial dispute can be in progress in more than one quarter.
- Reference Quarters** The reference quarters for Industrial Disputes results are:
Q1 - January to March, Q2 - April to June, Q3 - July to September and Q4 - October to December.
- Economic Sector** From Q1 2009 Industrial Disputes are classified by NACE Rev. 2. An Industrial Disputes series by NACE Rev. 2, starting from Q1 2008, is available on www.cso.ie.