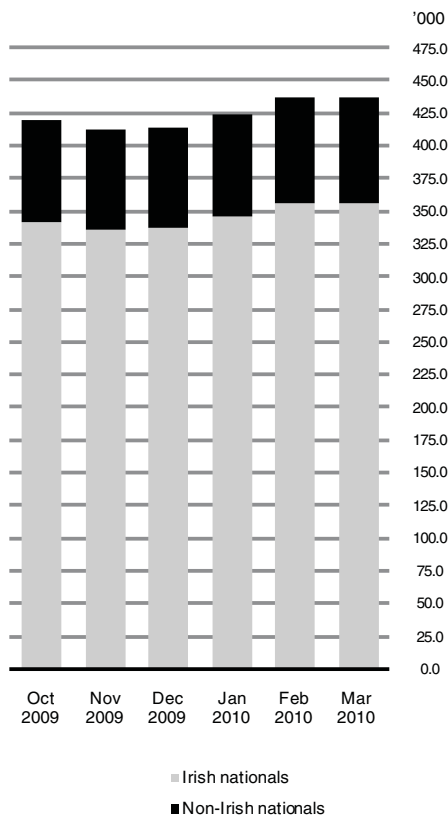




## Live Register by nationality



## Slight fall in both Irish and non-Irish on Live Register in March

In March 2010 there were 355,080 Irish nationals and 80,041 non-Irish nationals on the Live Register. This represents a monthly decrease of 610 (-0.2%) in Irish nationals and a decrease of 1,225 (-1.5%) in non-Irish nationals. *See table 4 and graph opposite.*

In the year to March 2010 the number of Irish nationals on the Live Register increased by 61,056 (+20.8%), while the corresponding annual increase for non-Irish nationals was 4,862 (+6.5%).

Among non-Irish nationals the largest number on the Live Register, were nationals from the EU15 to EU27 States (44,793) while the smallest number were from the EU15 States outside of Ireland and the UK (4,039).

Non-Irish nationals represented 18.4% of all persons on the Live Register in March 2010. Estimates from the Quarterly National Household Survey for October to December 2009 show that non-Irish nationals represented an estimated 14.3% of all persons in the labour force aged between 17 and 64 years (the relevant age range for the Live Register).

**Table 1 Persons on the Live Register classified by Region**

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions <sup>1</sup>	March 2009	February 2010	March 2010	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Males</b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>78,460</b>	<b>89,249</b>	<b>88,723</b>	- 526	+ 10,263	<b>17,597</b>	<b>71,126</b>
Border	35,809	40,906	40,708	- 198	+ 4,899	8,226	32,482
Midland	19,010	21,437	21,414	- 23	+ 2,404	4,140	17,274
West	23,641	26,906	26,601	- 305	+ 2,960	5,231	21,370
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>172,025</b>	<b>201,618</b>	<b>201,493</b>	- 125	+ 29,468	<b>37,272</b>	<b>164,221</b>
Dublin	59,784	69,414	69,639	+ 225	+ 9,855	13,104	56,535
Mid-East	23,593	27,384	27,473	+ 89	+ 3,880	4,974	22,499
Mid-West	22,102	26,122	25,934	- 188	+ 3,832	4,914	21,020
South-East	32,242	37,748	37,644	- 104	+ 5,402	7,347	30,297
South-West	34,304	40,950	40,803	- 147	+ 6,499	6,933	33,870
<b>Total</b>	<b>250,485</b>	<b>290,867</b>	<b>290,216</b>	- 651	+ 39,731	<b>54,869</b>	<b>235,347</b>
<b>Females</b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>36,884</b>	<b>44,543</b>	<b>44,164</b>	- 379	+ 7,280	<b>9,594</b>	<b>34,570</b>
Border	16,886	20,255	20,095	- 160	+ 3,209	4,416	15,679
Midland	8,665	10,460	10,430	- 30	+ 1,765	2,430	8,000
West	11,333	13,828	13,639	- 189	+ 2,306	2,748	10,891
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>81,834</b>	<b>101,546</b>	<b>100,741</b>	- 805	+ 18,907	<b>20,528</b>	<b>80,213</b>
Dublin	27,754	34,292	34,142	- 150	+ 6,388	7,130	27,012
Mid-East	11,339	14,301	14,366	+ 65	+ 3,027	2,747	11,619
Mid-West	10,629	13,687	13,392	- 295	+ 2,763	2,798	10,594
South-East	14,997	18,435	18,268	- 167	+ 3,271	4,070	14,198
South-West	17,115	20,831	20,573	- 258	+ 3,458	3,783	16,790
<b>Total</b>	<b>118,718</b>	<b>146,089</b>	<b>144,905</b>	- 1,184	+ 26,187	<b>30,122</b>	<b>114,783</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>115,344</b>	<b>133,792</b>	<b>132,887</b>	- 905	+ 17,543	<b>27,191</b>	<b>105,696</b>
Border	52,695	61,161	60,803	- 358	+ 8,108	12,642	48,161
Midland	27,675	31,897	31,844	- 53	+ 4,169	6,570	25,274
West	34,974	40,734	40,240	- 494	+ 5,266	7,979	32,261
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>253,859</b>	<b>303,164</b>	<b>302,234</b>	- 930	+ 48,375	<b>57,800</b>	<b>244,434</b>
Dublin	87,538	103,706	103,781	+ 75	+ 16,243	20,234	83,547
Mid-East	34,932	41,685	41,839	+ 154	+ 6,907	7,721	34,118
Mid-West	32,731	39,809	39,326	- 483	+ 6,595	7,712	31,614
South-East	47,239	56,183	55,912	- 271	+ 8,673	11,417	44,495
South-West	51,419	61,781	61,376	- 405	+ 9,957	10,716	50,660
<b>Total</b>	<b>369,203</b>	<b>436,956</b>	<b>435,121</b>	- 1,835	+ 65,918	<b>84,991</b>	<b>350,130</b>

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

**Table 2 Persons on the Live Register classified by Province**

Provinces	March 2009	February 2010	March 2010	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Provinces</b>							
Leinster	192,413	227,309	227,213	- 96	+ 34,800	44,699	182,514
Munster	104,050	124,893	123,955	- 938	+ 19,905	23,123	100,832
Connacht	42,692	49,600	49,036	- 564	+ 6,344	9,701	39,335
Ulster	30,048	35,154	34,917	- 237	+ 4,869	7,468	27,449
<b>Total</b>	<b>369,203</b>	<b>436,956</b>	<b>435,121</b>	- 1,835	+ 65,918	<b>84,991</b>	<b>350,130</b>

**Table 3 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration**

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	March 2009	February 2010	March 2010	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>115,344</b>	<b>133,792</b>	<b>132,887</b>	<b>17,597</b>	<b>71,126</b>	<b>88,723</b>	<b>9,594</b>	<b>34,570</b>	<b>44,164</b>
<b>Border</b>	<b>52,695</b>	<b>61,161</b>	<b>60,803</b>	<b>8,226</b>	<b>32,482</b>	<b>40,708</b>	<b>4,416</b>	<b>15,679</b>	<b>20,095</b>
Cavan	6,540	7,340	7,336	973	3,981	4,954	560	1,822	2,382
Ballyconnell	1,161	1,265	1,271	160	708	868	86	317	403
Cavan	5,379	6,075	6,065	813	3,273	4,086	474	1,505	1,979
Donegal	17,978	21,255	21,074	3,092	10,905	13,997	1,605	5,472	7,077
Ballybofey	2,348	2,606	2,599	428	1,361	1,789	229	581	810
Ballyshannon	1,230	1,499	1,495	207	726	933	121	441	562
Buncrana	4,268	4,937	4,904	756	2,702	3,458	341	1,105	1,446
Donegal	1,216	1,455	1,407	177	650	827	113	467	580
Dunfanaghy	1,375	1,614	1,572	233	834	1,067	77	428	505
Dungloe	1,817	2,251	2,214	239	1,159	1,398	130	686	816
Killybegs	1,185	1,234	1,228	136	618	754	79	395	474
Letterkenny	4,539	5,659	5,655	916	2,855	3,771	515	1,369	1,884
Leitrim	3,128	3,586	3,547	409	1,946	2,355	194	998	1,192
Carrick-on-Shannon	2,348	2,682	2,650	310	1,451	1,761	137	752	889
Manorhamilton	780	904	897	99	495	594	57	246	303
Louth	14,929	17,141	17,090	2,241	9,309	11,550	1,211	4,329	5,540
Ardee	2,003	2,519	2,488	341	1,388	1,729	165	594	759
Drogheda	7,172	8,297	8,214	1,008	4,421	5,429	530	2,255	2,785
Dundalk	5,754	6,325	6,388	892	3,500	4,392	516	1,480	1,996
Monaghan	5,530	6,559	6,507	828	3,586	4,414	410	1,683	2,093
Carrickmacross	1,452	1,672	1,661	213	900	1,113	90	458	548
Castleblayney	1,443	1,698	1,686	231	941	1,172	123	391	514
Clones	627	728	729	108	387	495	52	182	234
Monaghan	2,008	2,461	2,431	276	1,358	1,634	145	652	797
Sligo	4,590	5,280	5,249	683	2,755	3,438	436	1,375	1,811
Sligo	3,719	4,343	4,326	566	2,256	2,822	367	1,137	1,504
Tubbercurry	871	937	923	117	499	616	69	238	307
<b>Midland</b>	<b>27,675</b>	<b>31,897</b>	<b>31,844</b>	<b>4,140</b>	<b>17,274</b>	<b>21,414</b>	<b>2,430</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>10,430</b>
Laoighis	6,747	7,950	7,937	1,089	4,343	5,432	616	1,889	2,505
Portllington	2,686	3,228	3,200	427	1,721	2,148	262	790	1,052
Portlaoise	3,129	3,582	3,601	500	1,973	2,473	278	850	1,128
Rathdowney	932	1,140	1,136	162	649	811	76	249	325
Longford	4,837	5,326	5,357	637	3,008	3,645	387	1,325	1,712
Longford	4,837	5,326	5,357	637	3,008	3,645	387	1,325	1,712
Offaly	7,186	8,471	8,447	1,153	4,622	5,775	622	2,050	2,672
Birr	1,798	2,263	2,225	309	1,165	1,474	168	583	751
Edenderry	1,988	2,384	2,406	300	1,363	1,663	188	555	743
Tullamore	3,400	3,824	3,816	544	2,094	2,638	266	912	1,178
Westmeath	8,905	10,150	10,103	1,261	5,301	6,562	805	2,736	3,541
Athlone	3,383	3,971	3,910	475	2,009	2,484	325	1,101	1,426
Castlepollard	1,198	1,261	1,261	174	650	824	97	340	437
Mullingar	4,324	4,918	4,932	612	2,642	3,254	383	1,295	1,678
<b>West</b>	<b>34,974</b>	<b>40,734</b>	<b>40,240</b>	<b>5,231</b>	<b>21,370</b>	<b>26,601</b>	<b>2,748</b>	<b>10,891</b>	<b>13,639</b>
Galway	20,767	23,580	23,241	2,963	12,185	15,148	1,632	6,461	8,093
Ballinasloe	2,239	2,639	2,591	381	1,387	1,768	178	645	823
Clifden	1,106	1,318	1,281	152	662	814	95	372	467
Galway	11,164	12,131	11,912	1,544	6,177	7,721	944	3,247	4,191
Gort	1,237	1,513	1,513	158	778	936	63	514	577
Loughrea	2,154	2,569	2,541	272	1,339	1,611	160	770	930
Tuam	2,867	3,410	3,403	456	1,842	2,298	192	913	1,105

**Table 3 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration**

-continued NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	Males						Females		
	March 2009	February 2010	March 2010	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	10,766	13,157	13,046	1,716	7,016	8,732	860	3,454	4,314
Achill	364	465	453	52	265	317	20	116	136
Ballina	2,733	3,266	3,227	430	1,794	2,224	240	763	1,003
Ballinrobe	954	1,119	1,100	136	584	720	51	329	380
Belmullet	775	1,005	1,033	157	527	684	71	278	349
Castlebar	1,889	2,331	2,349	310	1,203	1,513	170	666	836
Claremorris	1,146	1,471	1,413	174	778	952	92	369	461
Swinford	1,389	1,688	1,656	226	885	1,111	112	433	545
Westport	1,516	1,812	1,815	231	980	1,211	104	500	604
Roscommon	3,441	3,997	3,953	552	2,169	2,721	256	976	1,232
Boyle	866	1,033	1,032	133	546	679	59	294	353
Castlerea	1,485	1,759	1,718	267	959	1,226	119	373	492
Roscommon	1,090	1,205	1,203	152	664	816	78	309	387
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>253,859</b>	<b>303,164</b>	<b>302,234</b>	<b>37,272</b>	<b>164,221</b>	<b>201,493</b>	<b>20,528</b>	<b>80,213</b>	<b>100,741</b>
<b>Dublin</b>	<b>87,538</b>	<b>103,706</b>	<b>103,781</b>	<b>13,104</b>	<b>56,535</b>	<b>69,639</b>	<b>7,130</b>	<b>27,012</b>	<b>34,142</b>
Dublin	87,538	103,706	103,781	13,104	56,535	69,639	7,130	27,012	34,142
Bishop Square	7,355	8,500	8,528	952	4,783	5,735	584	2,209	2,793
Cumberland Street <sup>1</sup>	10,165	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
King's Inn Street <sup>1</sup>	0	7,688	7,790	880	4,417	5,297	522	1,971	2,493
Navan Road	5,392	6,545	6,513	751	3,622	4,373	443	1,697	2,140
Blanchardstown	7,616	8,101	8,198	960	4,437	5,397	580	2,221	2,801
Thomas Street	3,845	4,307	4,297	475	2,505	2,980	294	1,023	1,317
Tara Street	2,312	2,828	2,795	284	1,526	1,810	143	842	985
Tallaght	8,217	10,264	10,284	1,601	5,660	7,261	873	2,150	3,023
Ballymun	2,600	2,876	2,903	509	1,520	2,029	293	581	874
Clondalkin	8,830	10,064	10,058	1,365	5,523	6,888	794	2,376	3,170
Rathfarnham	4,167	5,217	5,189	526	2,646	3,172	244	1,773	2,017
Kilbarrack	4,481	5,279	5,278	702	2,893	3,595	308	1,375	1,683
Dun Laoghaire	6,238	7,730	7,593	686	4,028	4,714	327	2,552	2,879
Balbriggan	3,879	5,029	4,953	575	2,629	3,204	285	1,464	1,749
Swords <sup>1</sup>	0	4,725	4,801	546	2,413	2,959	323	1,519	1,842
Ballyfermot	2,803	3,272	3,281	637	1,788	2,425	280	576	856
Finglas	5,137	5,979	5,987	841	3,344	4,185	413	1,389	1,802
Coolock	4,501	5,302	5,333	814	2,801	3,615	424	1,294	1,718
<b>Mid-East</b>	<b>34,932</b>	<b>41,685</b>	<b>41,839</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>22,499</b>	<b>27,473</b>	<b>2,747</b>	<b>11,619</b>	<b>14,366</b>
Kildare	15,000	17,787	17,907	2,161	9,542	11,703	1,267	4,937	6,204
Athy	2,111	2,656	2,689	299	1,491	1,790	185	714	899
Maynooth	4,776	5,894	5,800	719	2,929	3,648	431	1,721	2,152
Newbridge	8,113	9,237	9,418	1,143	5,122	6,265	651	2,502	3,153
Meath	9,464	11,599	11,549	1,328	6,240	7,568	792	3,189	3,981
Kells	1,637	1,905	1,892	214	1,076	1,290	147	455	602
Navan	5,003	5,933	5,914	701	3,219	3,920	361	1,633	1,994
Trim	2,824	3,761	3,743	413	1,945	2,358	284	1,101	1,385
Wicklow	10,468	12,299	12,383	1,485	6,717	8,202	688	3,493	4,181
Arklow	3,081	3,488	3,466	433	1,918	2,351	224	891	1,115
Baltinglass	1,066	1,410	1,407	196	748	944	88	375	463
Bray	4,481	5,193	5,285	580	2,809	3,389	254	1,642	1,896
Wicklow	1,840	2,208	2,225	276	1,242	1,518	122	585	707
<b>Mid-West</b>	<b>32,731</b>	<b>39,809</b>	<b>39,326</b>	<b>4,914</b>	<b>21,020</b>	<b>25,934</b>	<b>2,798</b>	<b>10,594</b>	<b>13,392</b>
Clare	9,361	10,865	10,633	1,303	5,519	6,822	723	3,088	3,811
Ennis	5,452	6,165	6,039	717	3,116	3,833	425	1,781	2,206
Ennistymon	1,414	1,709	1,649	195	846	1,041	112	496	608
Kilrush	1,231	1,487	1,445	206	761	967	108	370	478
Tulla	1,264	1,504	1,500	185	796	981	78	441	519
Limerick	17,981	21,995	21,703	2,700	11,987	14,687	1,572	5,444	7,016
Kilmallock	2,245	2,832	2,826	403	1,513	1,916	180	730	910
Limerick	12,646	15,574	15,282	1,846	8,502	10,348	1,135	3,799	4,934
Newcastle West	3,090	3,589	3,595	451	1,972	2,423	257	915	1,172

**Table 3 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration**

-continued NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office				Males			Females		
	March 2009	February 2010	March 2010	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
North Tipperary	5,389	6,949	6,990	911	3,514	4,425	503	2,062	2,565
Nenagh	2,089	2,825	2,836	340	1,423	1,763	174	899	1,073
Roscrea	1,039	1,326	1,322	177	637	814	94	414	508
Thurles	2,261	2,798	2,832	394	1,454	1,848	235	749	984
<b>South-East</b>	<b>47,239</b>	<b>56,183</b>	<b>55,912</b>	<b>7,347</b>	<b>30,297</b>	<b>37,644</b>	<b>4,070</b>	<b>14,198</b>	<b>18,268</b>
Carlow	5,433	6,791	6,799	954	3,747	4,701	509	1,589	2,098
Bagenalstown	1,246	1,640	1,643	237	923	1,160	115	368	483
Carlow	2,958	3,606	3,652	531	2,009	2,540	297	815	1,112
Tullow	1,229	1,545	1,504	186	815	1,001	97	406	503
Kilkenny	6,135	7,297	7,210	939	4,009	4,948	485	1,777	2,262
Kilkenny	5,053	5,867	5,772	766	3,176	3,942	406	1,424	1,830
Thomastown	1,082	1,430	1,438	173	833	1,006	79	353	432
South Tipperary	7,211	8,835	8,847	1,271	4,915	6,186	638	2,023	2,661
Cahir	1,052	1,313	1,293	163	757	920	92	281	373
Carrick-on-Suir	1,744	2,027	2,019	285	1,090	1,375	143	501	644
Cashel	896	1,198	1,209	179	656	835	73	301	374
Clonmel	2,121	2,628	2,612	425	1,406	1,831	210	571	781
Tipperary	1,398	1,669	1,714	219	1,006	1,225	120	369	489
Waterford	12,689	14,468	14,406	1,758	7,848	9,606	1,028	3,772	4,800
Dungarvan	1,910	2,286	2,271	289	1,295	1,584	130	557	687
Waterford	10,779	12,182	12,135	1,469	6,553	8,022	898	3,215	4,113
Wexford	15,771	18,792	18,650	2,425	9,778	12,203	1,410	5,037	6,447
Enniscorthy	3,917	4,473	4,526	639	2,440	3,079	380	1,067	1,447
Gorey	3,329	4,066	4,056	471	2,103	2,574	260	1,222	1,482
New Ross	2,771	3,373	3,361	432	1,815	2,247	244	870	1,114
Wexford	5,754	6,880	6,707	883	3,420	4,303	526	1,878	2,404
<b>South-West</b>	<b>51,419</b>	<b>61,781</b>	<b>61,376</b>	<b>6,933</b>	<b>33,870</b>	<b>40,803</b>	<b>3,783</b>	<b>16,790</b>	<b>20,573</b>
Cork	36,308	44,788	44,702	5,073	25,044	30,117	2,711	11,874	14,585
Bandon	1,340	1,554	1,563	154	931	1,085	79	399	478
Bantry	953	1,310	1,292	160	644	804	67	421	488
Bantry (SWLO)	307	328	318	29	142	171	19	128	147
Carrigaline	1,881	2,545	2,564	284	1,423	1,707	121	736	857
Clonakilty	1,033	1,298	1,298	113	688	801	51	446	497
Cobh	851	1,149	1,136	123	634	757	72	307	379
Cork	16,175	19,493	19,429	2,443	11,066	13,509	1,369	4,551	5,920
Fermoy	2,153	2,753	2,753	351	1,532	1,883	169	701	870
Kinsale	1,140	1,333	1,318	74	693	767	50	501	551
Macroom	1,473	1,825	1,816	204	1,057	1,261	79	476	555
Mallow	2,204	2,691	2,714	325	1,559	1,884	152	678	830
Midleton	2,569	3,384	3,400	270	1,935	2,205	168	1,027	1,195
Newmarket	1,843	1,996	1,980	225	1,121	1,346	129	505	634
Skibbereen	907	1,300	1,294	149	627	776	82	436	518
Youghal	1,479	1,829	1,827	169	992	1,161	104	562	666
Kerry	15,111	16,993	16,674	1,860	8,826	10,686	1,072	4,916	5,988
Cahirciveen	660	736	737	81	348	429	49	259	308
Dingle	722	864	831	56	428	484	40	307	347
Kenmare	711	780	755	60	321	381	51	323	374
Killarney	2,972	3,576	3,342	324	1,624	1,948	230	1,164	1,394
Killorglin	1,156	1,391	1,370	142	782	924	71	375	446
Listowel	2,911	3,108	3,073	413	1,723	2,136	186	751	937
Tralee	5,979	6,538	6,566	784	3,600	4,384	445	1,737	2,182
<b>State</b>	<b>369,203</b>	<b>436,956</b>	<b>435,121</b>	<b>54,869</b>	<b>235,347</b>	<b>290,216</b>	<b>30,122</b>	<b>114,783</b>	<b>144,905</b>

<sup>1</sup> Cumberland Street Local Office has closed with effect from July 2009. Figures previously provided for the Cumberland Street Local Office are now presented in two Local Offices King's Inns Street and Swords with effect from July 2009. Cumberland Street figures from April 2006 to July 2009 included those persons that had been transferred to the Swords Local Office.

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

		Nationality							
		Non-Irish nationals							
		United Kingdom	EU15 excl. Irl. & UK	EU15 to EU27 States	Other	Non-Irish nationals	Irish nationals	Total Persons	
2008	March	9,349	1,959	13,403	6,408	<b>31,119</b>	<b>166,873</b>	<b>197,992</b>	
	April	9,401	1,921	14,166	6,483	<b>31,971</b>	<b>163,627</b>	<b>195,598</b>	
	May	9,600	1,945	14,738	6,996	<b>33,279</b>	<b>168,477</b>	<b>201,756</b>	
	June	10,268	2,146	15,623	7,831	<b>35,868</b>	<b>184,943</b>	<b>220,811</b>	
	July	10,969	2,327	16,953	8,215	<b>38,464</b>	<b>199,776</b>	<b>238,240</b>	
	August	11,426	2,446	18,581	8,648	<b>41,101</b>	<b>206,283</b>	<b>247,384</b>	
	September	11,186	2,419	19,381	8,228	<b>41,214</b>	<b>199,003</b>	<b>240,217</b>	
	October	11,543	2,638	22,162	8,044	<b>44,387</b>	<b>206,293</b>	<b>250,680</b>	
	November	12,320	2,890	25,956	8,468	<b>49,634</b>	<b>217,555</b>	<b>267,189</b>	
	December	13,233	3,193	28,788	8,975	<b>54,189</b>	<b>235,829</b>	<b>290,018</b>	
	2009	January	14,743	3,632	35,627	9,999	<b>64,001</b>	<b>262,271</b>	<b>326,272</b>
		February	15,642	4,033	40,799	10,838	<b>71,312</b>	<b>281,141</b>	<b>352,453</b>
March		16,220	4,224	43,286	11,449	<b>75,179</b>	<b>294,024</b>	<b>369,203</b>	
April		16,731	4,345	44,358	11,852	<b>77,286</b>	<b>304,590</b>	<b>381,876</b>	
May		17,225	4,358	44,209	12,652	<b>78,444</b>	<b>315,690</b>	<b>394,134</b>	
June		17,929	4,497	44,102	13,737	<b>80,265</b>	<b>335,197</b>	<b>415,462</b>	
July		18,490	4,460	43,098	14,050	<b>80,098</b>	<b>352,323</b>	<b>432,421</b>	
August		18,663	4,445	42,685	13,891	<b>79,684</b>	<b>357,041</b>	<b>436,725</b>	
September		18,098	4,219	41,990	13,436	<b>77,743</b>	<b>342,111</b>	<b>419,854</b>	
October		17,857	4,081	41,663	12,703	<b>76,304</b>	<b>336,103</b>	<b>412,407</b>	
November		17,840	4,031	42,311	12,598	<b>76,780</b>	<b>336,725</b>	<b>413,505</b>	
December		18,062	4,073	42,675	12,709	<b>77,519</b>	<b>346,076</b>	<b>423,595</b>	
2010	January	18,524	4,186	45,652	13,033	<b>81,395</b>	<b>355,541</b>	<b>436,936</b>	
	February	18,413	4,139	45,649	13,065	<b>81,266</b>	<b>355,690</b>	<b>436,956</b>	
	March	18,238	4,039	44,793	12,971	<b>80,041</b>	<b>355,080</b>	<b>435,121</b>	

## Background Notes

**Source and scope of the Live Register** The Live Register is compiled from returns made for each local office to the Central Statistics Office by the Department of Social 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.

**Reference Period** The reference periods for the Live Register results are as follows:  
 March 2010 – 27<sup>th</sup> February 2010 to 26<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
 March 2009 – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2009 to 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009

**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).

**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

**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 e.g. the figure for the Cork City Local Office of Registration refers to all persons signing on in Cork City but may include persons not resident in Cork city. A classification by area of residence of persons on the Live Register was published until January 1989 but was then discontinued.

**Nationality** Data in the nationality table is sourced from information collected by the Department of Social and Family Affairs on the nationality of claimants when they first sign on the Live Register.

**Live Register revision** New collection methods employed by the Department of Social & Family Affairs (DSFA) for the compilation of the Live Register have permitted more accurate reporting of the number of persons on the Live Register. Specifically these changes allow the identification of individuals who should not previously have been included in the Live Register count but could not be separately identified and excluded under existing arrangements. The changes relate to the following schemes:

**Temporarily working** - claims for Jobseeker Benefit (JB) and Jobseeker Allowance (JA) which are suspended for the reason that the customer is “temporarily working” are excluded from the live register since participants are engaged in employment.

**Short Term Enterprise Allowance scheme (STEA)** - this new employment support measure was introduced from the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2009. While it is part of the DSFA Back to Work Enterprise Allowance programme (participants are engaged in self-employment) it is contingent on qualifying for JB and it is currently recorded and paid on the JB system. Since participants on this scheme are engaged in self-employment they are excluded from the Live Register.

**Work Placement Programme (WPP)** - this new employment support measure was introduced from the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2009 (participants are placed on a new 9 month Work Placement Programme). The scheme is administered by FAS, but participants continue to receive their existing social welfare entitlements from DSFA for their duration on the programme. Since participants on this scheme are engaged in employment they are excluded from the Live Register.

In order to facilitate consistent analysis of the Live Register series all data has been revised from October 2008 to September 2009 to exclude the categories listed above. As such annual and monthly change figures presented in this release are on a consistent basis. These revisions are reflected in revised tables both in the release and on the CSO databank. A summary table indicating the size of the revisions for each of the 12 months at state level can be found below. The total level of revision is less than 1 percent of the state total on the Live Register. For further queries on these changes please contact the CSO.

**Table A Overall revisions to Live Register totals, October 2008 to September 2009**

Month	Total Male	Total Female	Total Live Register
Oct-08	-604	-667	-1,271
Nov-08	-690	-707	-1,397
Dec-08	-750	-595	-1,345
Jan-09	-893	-696	-1,589
Feb-09	-1,109	-875	-1,984
Mar-09	-1,174	-894	-2,068
Apr-09	-1,456	-1,116	-2,572
May-09	-1,592	-1,145	-2,737
Jun-09	-1,932	-1,198	-3,130
Jul-09	-2,033	-1,281	-3,314
Aug-09	-2,103	-1,228	-3,331
Sep-09	-2,381	-1,404	-3,785