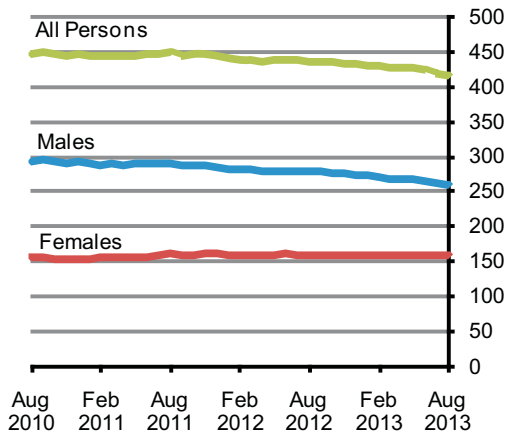




Live Register August 2013

Live Register Seasonally Adjusted

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	Live Register Total	Seasonally Adjusted	Standardised Unemployment Rate (SUR)%
August 2012	456,256	435,500	14.6
July 2013	441,976	418,700	13.5
August 2013	435,280	415,300	13.4
			Percentage Points
Change in month	-	- 3,400	- 0.1
Change in year	- 20,976	-	- 1.2

Seasonally adjusted Live Register decreases by 3,400 in August

On a seasonally adjusted basis the Live Register total recorded a monthly decrease of 3,400 in August 2013, reducing the seasonally adjusted total to 415,300. *See table 2a.*

In unadjusted terms there were 435,280 people signing on the Live Register in August 2013. This represents an annual decrease of 20,976 (-4.6%). *See table 1a.*

The standardised unemployment rate (SUR) in August 2013 was 13.4%, down from 13.5% in July 2013. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate from the most recent Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) was 13.7% in the second quarter of 2013. *See table 3.*

Other features include:

- ◆ On a seasonally adjusted basis the Live Register showed a monthly decrease of 3,000 males in August 2013, while females decreased by 500 over the same period. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The number of male claimants decreased by 20,182 (-7.0%) to 266,443 over the year while female claimants showed little change decreasing by 794 (-0.5%) to 168,837. This compares with a decrease of 10,228 (-3.4%) to 286,625 for males and a decrease of 3,229 (-1.9%) to 169,631 for females in the year to August 2012. *See table 1a.*

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 Jobseeker's Benefit (JB) or Jobseeker's Allowance (JA). Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest estimated number of persons unemployed as of the second quarter of 2013 was 300,700.

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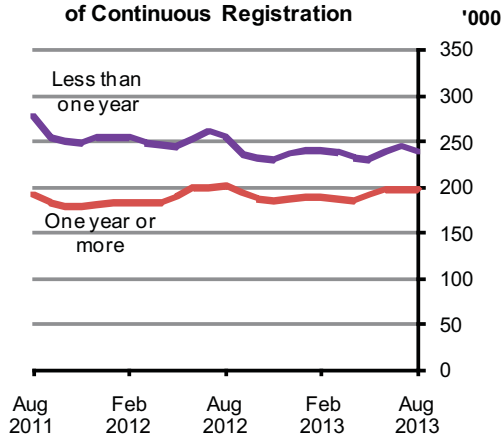
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Live Register classified by Duration of Continuous Registration



Live Register duration of continuous registration

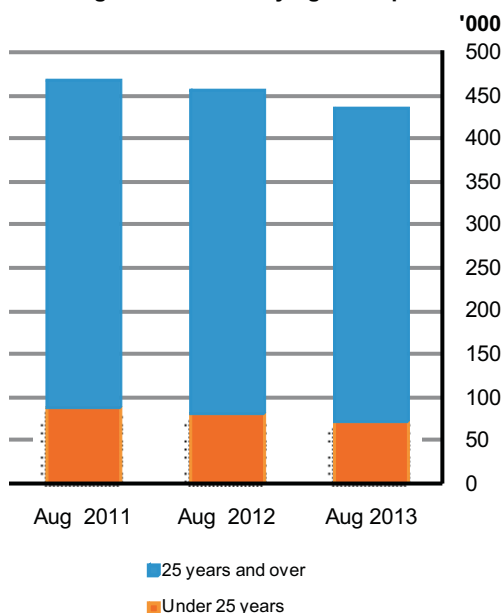
The number of long term claimants on the Live Register in August 2013 was 196,808. The number of male long term claimants decreased by 6,786 (-4.8%) in the year to August 2013, while females increased by 2,081 (+3.5%) giving an overall annual decrease of 4,705 (-2.3%) in the number of long term claimants. *See table 7 and graph opposite.*

In August 54.8% (238,472) of all claimants on the Live Register were short term claimants. The comparable figure for August 2012 was 55.8% (254,743). The annual fall of 16,271 (-6.4%) in the number of short term claimants consisted of a decrease of 13,396 (-9.3%) in the number of male short term claimants and a decrease of 2,875 (-2.6%) in female short term claimants.

Live Register casual and part-time workers

There were 85,105 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register in August 2013, which represents 19.6% of the total Live Register. This compares with 19.1% one year earlier when there were 87,154 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register. In the year to August 2013 the number of casual and part-time workers decreased by 2,049 (-2.4%), with the number of males decreasing by 1,310 (-2.8%) and the number of females decreasing by 739 (-1.9%). *See table 8.*

Live Register classified by Age Group



Live Register age groups

In the year to August 2013 the number of persons aged 25 and over on the Live Register decreased by 12,570 (-3.3%), and the number of persons aged under 25 decreased by 8,406 (-10.5%). Annual decreases in persons aged under 25 have occurred in all months since July 2010. The percentage of persons aged under 25 on the Live Register now stands at 16.5% for August 2013, down from 17.6% in August 2012 and 18.9% in August 2011. *See tables 1b and 1c and graph opposite.*

Live Register new registrants

There were 36,655 new registrants on the Live Register in August 2013, consisting of 12,341 JB claims, 22,116 JA claims and 2,198 'Other Registrants'. Males accounted for 52.7% (19,306) and females 47.3% (17,349) of all new registrants. On average 3,861 male and 3,470 female new registrants joined the Live Register each week of the month. The difference between the number of new registrants on the Live Register and the change in the total number on the Live Register is accounted for by closed claims and movements between schemes. *See table 4.*

As of 3 April 2013, JB can be paid for a maximum of 9 months (234 days) to people who have 260 paid PRSI contributions. JB can be paid for a maximum of 6 months (156 days) to people who have less than 260 paid contributions (Refers to new claims). Claimants getting JB for 6 months or more on 3 April 2013 (or 3 months for people with fewer than 260 contributions) will not be affected.

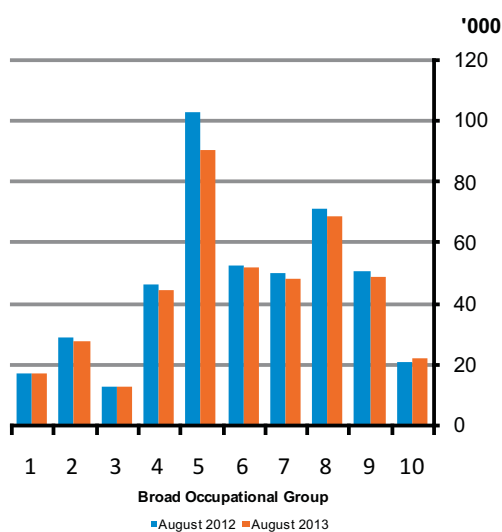
Data on Activation Programmes for July 2013 is included in the Annex of this release. Persons participating in Activation Programmes are not included in the Live Register count.

Live Register by other classifications

Bearing in mind the overall annual decrease of 4.6% in the number of people on the Live Register in August the main other points which can be noted include:

- ◆ An annual decrease of 1,185 (-0.4%) reduced the total number of JA claimants to 326,601 in August 2013, while JB claimants decreased to 73,826 (-21.5%) over the same period. As a result JA claimants account for 75.0% of all persons on the Live Register in August 2013 compared with 71.8% a year earlier. *See table 1a.*
- ◆ Annual decreases occurred in all of the eight NUTS 3 regions with the largest percentage decrease occurring in the South-West region (-7.4%) followed by the Mid-West region at (-6.3%). *See table 5.*
- ◆ *Craft and related* (20.9%) remained the largest occupational group on the Live Register in August, despite the fact that the number in the group fell over the year by 12,432 (-12.0%) to 90,853. The second largest annual percentage decrease was in the *Clerical and secretarial* group (-4.0%). *See table 6 and graph opposite.*
- ◆ In August Irish nationals accounted for 83.4% (362,828) of the number of persons on the Live Register. Of the 72,452 non-Irish nationals, the largest constituent group on the Live Register was nationals from the EU15 to EU28 States (39,175), followed by the UK (16,515). *See table 9.*
- ◆ A further compositional analysis of the Live Register is also available. *See table 10.*

Live Register classified by Last Held Occupation



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- 1- Managers and administrators
- 2- Professional
- 3- Associate professional and technical
- 4- Clerical and secretarial
- 5- Craft and related
- 6- Personal and protective service
- 7- Sales
- 8- Plant and machine operatives
- 9- Other occupation
- 10- No occupation

¹ While the 'No Occupation' group is excluded from the analysis its subtotals are included in the relevant calculations presented in the text.

Table 1a Total persons on the Live Register

Category	August 2012	July 2013	August 2013	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	47,230	38,186	34,438	- 3,748	- 12,792
JA Applications	227,251	220,093	219,799	- 294	- 7,452
Other Registrants	12,144	12,024	12,206	+ 182	+ 62
Total	286,625	270,303	266,443	- 3,860	- 20,182
Females					
JB Claims	46,824	43,531	39,388	- 4,143	- 7,436
JA Applications	100,535	105,753	106,802	+ 1,049	+ 6,267
Other Registrants	22,272	22,389	22,647	+ 258	+ 375
Total	169,631	171,673	168,837	- 2,836	- 794
All Persons					
JB Claims	94,054	81,717	73,826	- 7,891	- 20,228
JA Applications	327,786	325,846	326,601	+ 755	- 1,185
Other Registrants	34,416	34,413	34,853	+ 440	+ 437
Total	456,256	441,976	435,280	- 6,696	- 20,976

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

Category	August 2012	July 2013	August 2013	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	3,768	2,503	2,251	- 252	- 1,517
JA Applications	43,964	39,767	39,474	- 293	- 4,490
Other Registrants	123	91	86	- 5	- 37
Total	47,855	42,361	41,811	- 550	- 6,044
Females					
JB Claims	3,681	2,785	2,640	- 145	- 1,041
JA Applications	28,551	27,196	27,295	+ 99	- 1,256
Other Registrants	264	192	199	+ 7	- 65
Total	32,496	30,173	30,134	- 39	- 2,362
All Persons					
JB Claims	7,449	5,288	4,891	- 397	- 2,558
JA Applications	72,515	66,963	66,769	- 194	- 5,746
Other Registrants	387	283	285	+ 2	- 102
Total	80,351	72,534	71,945	- 589	- 8,406

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

Category	August 2012	July 2013	August 2013	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
JB Claims	43,462	35,683	32,187	- 3,496	- 11,275
JA Applications	183,287	180,326	180,325	- 1	- 2,962
Other Registrants	12,021	11,933	12,120	+ 187	+ 99
Total	238,770	227,942	224,632	- 3,310	- 14,138
Females					
JB Claims	43,143	40,746	36,748	- 3,998	- 6,395
JA Applications	71,984	78,557	79,507	+ 950	+ 7,523
Other Registrants	22,008	22,197	22,448	+ 251	+ 440
Total	137,135	141,500	138,703	- 2,797	+ 1,568
All Persons					
JB Claims	86,605	76,429	68,935	- 7,494	- 17,670
JA Applications	255,271	258,883	259,832	+ 949	+ 4,561
Other Registrants	34,029	34,130	34,568	+ 438	+ 539
Total	375,905	369,442	363,335	- 6,107	- 12,570

See StatBank Table LRM01.

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons
2011	August	296,900	172,900	469,700	288,900	160,100	449,000
	September	282,000	155,500	437,400	286,800	156,700	443,500
	October	277,600	152,800	430,400	286,900	158,400	445,300
	November	276,500	153,000	429,600	286,100	160,000	446,100
	December	279,700	155,100	434,800	283,500	159,400	442,900
2012	January	283,900	155,700	439,600	282,000	158,400	440,400
	February	283,500	156,000	439,400	281,000	158,000	439,000
	March	280,200	153,800	434,100	280,000	157,100	437,100
	April	277,400	152,600	430,000	279,400	156,900	436,300
	May	278,800	154,100	432,900	279,100	157,300	436,400
	June	286,700	165,300	452,000	279,700	159,200	438,900
	July	287,800	172,500	460,300	278,800	157,600	436,500
	August	286,600	169,600	456,300	278,300	157,100	435,500
	September	273,800	155,500	429,300	278,000	157,200	435,100
	October	268,500	151,600	420,200	276,900	157,300	434,200
	November	266,400	150,900	417,300	275,300	157,500	432,800
	December	269,900	153,800	423,700	273,600	157,900	431,500
2013	January	273,600	155,800	429,400	272,200	158,300	430,500
	February	272,900	156,000	428,900	270,900	158,100	428,900
	March	269,000	156,100	425,100	268,600	158,300	426,900
	April	265,000	152,600	417,600	268,100	158,100	426,200
	May	266,900	154,800	421,700	267,200	158,000	425,200
	June	270,900	164,400	435,400	264,100	158,100	422,200
	July	270,300	171,700	442,000	261,700	157,100	418,700
	August	266,400	168,800	435,300	258,700	156,600	415,300

¹ Table contains revised figures.**Table 2b Persons under 25 years of age on the Live Register - Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted**

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons
2011	August	53,300	35,500	88,800	49,900	31,200	81,100
	September	49,200	31,700	80,900	49,000	30,700	79,700
	October	47,400	30,300	77,700	49,000	31,100	80,200
	November	46,200	29,400	75,600	48,600	31,400	80,000
	December	45,900	28,500	74,300	47,400	30,600	78,100
2012	January	46,500	28,800	75,300	47,100	30,100	77,200
	February	46,200	28,700	74,900	46,500	29,700	76,200
	March	45,200	27,800	73,000	45,900	29,300	75,200
	April	43,900	27,000	70,900	45,500	29,000	74,500
	May	44,500	28,200	72,600	45,200	28,800	74,000
	June	47,600	31,500	79,100	45,200	29,200	74,400
	July	48,100	32,600	80,700	44,800	28,800	73,600
	August	47,900	32,500	80,400	44,600	28,600	73,200
	September	44,400	29,300	73,700	44,200	28,400	72,600
	October	42,200	27,700	69,900	43,600	28,300	71,900
	November	40,700	26,500	67,200	42,900	28,200	71,100
	December	40,800	26,200	66,900	42,300	28,100	70,500
2013	January	41,500	26,900	68,400	42,000	28,100	70,100
	February	41,400	27,000	68,400	41,700	27,900	69,600
	March	40,300	26,200	66,600	41,100	27,600	68,700
	April	39,400	25,600	65,000	40,900	27,700	68,500
	May	40,400	26,900	67,300	41,000	27,500	68,500
	June	42,100	29,200	71,300	39,900	27,100	67,000
	July	42,400	30,200	72,500	39,400	26,700	66,100
	August	41,800	30,100	71,900	38,900	26,500	65,400

¹ Table contains revised figures.

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons
2011	August	243,600	137,400	380,900	239,000	128,800	367,900
	September	232,800	123,700	356,600	237,800	126,000	363,800
	October	230,200	122,500	352,700	237,800	127,300	365,200
	November	230,300	123,700	354,000	237,500	128,600	366,100
	December	233,800	126,600	360,400	236,000	128,800	364,800
2012	January	237,400	126,900	364,200	234,900	128,300	363,200
	February	237,200	127,200	364,500	234,500	128,200	362,800
	March	235,100	126,000	361,100	234,100	127,800	361,900
	April	233,500	125,600	359,100	233,900	127,900	361,800
	May	234,300	126,000	360,300	234,000	128,400	362,400
	June	239,100	133,800	372,900	234,400	130,000	364,400
	July	239,700	139,900	379,600	234,000	128,800	362,800
	August	238,800	137,100	375,900	233,800	128,600	362,300
	September	229,400	126,300	355,600	233,800	128,700	362,500
	October	226,300	123,900	350,300	233,300	128,900	362,300
	November	225,700	124,500	350,100	232,400	129,300	361,700
	December	229,100	127,700	356,800	231,300	129,700	361,000
2013	January	232,200	128,900	361,000	230,200	130,200	360,400
	February	231,500	129,000	360,500	229,200	130,100	359,300
	March	228,700	129,900	358,500	227,500	130,700	358,200
	April	225,700	127,000	352,600	227,200	130,500	357,700
	May	226,600	127,900	354,500	226,200	130,500	356,700
	June	228,800	135,200	364,000	224,100	131,000	355,200
	July	227,900	141,500	369,400	222,300	130,400	352,600
	August	224,600	138,700	363,300	219,800	130,100	349,900

¹ Table contains revised figures.

Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates (SUR)¹

Month	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	%	%	%	%	%	%
January	4.9	9.5	13.1	14.5	15.0	13.9
February ²	5.0	10.2	13.0	14.4	15.1	13.8
March	5.3	10.9	13.2	14.5	15.0	13.7
April	5.4	11.5	13.5	14.4	14.9	13.7
May ²	5.7	12.1	13.8	14.4	14.8	13.7 ³
June	6.0	12.3	13.7	14.5	14.8	13.6
July	6.5	12.5	13.8	14.7	14.7	13.5
August ²	6.9	12.6	13.9	14.8	14.6	13.4
September	7.2	12.9	14.3	14.7	14.5	
October	7.7	13.0	14.5	14.8	14.3	
November ²	8.1	13.0	14.7	14.8	14.1	
December	8.6	13.0	14.7	14.9	14.0	
Annual average	6.4	12.0	13.8	14.6	14.7	

¹ Table contains revised figures. See Background Notes.

² Benchmark Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) calendar quarter estimates.

³ The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (adjusted for seasonality) is: Apr - Jun 2013, 13.7%.

See StatBank Tables LRM02 and LRM03.

Table 4 Summary of flows¹ on and off the Live Register

		Number of Weeks	Males				Females			
			Live Register	New Regis- trations	Outflow (derived)	Average Weekly Change	Live Register	New Regis- trations	Outflow (derived)	Average Weekly Change
JB Claims										
2012	August	5	47,230	7,278	9,120	- 368	46,824	6,837	10,976	- 828
	September	4	44,251	6,226	9,205	- 745	39,412	5,752	13,164	- 1,853
	October	4	43,519	7,258	7,990	- 183	38,099	5,850	7,163	- 328
	November	5	43,211	9,493	9,801	- 62	38,109	10,073	10,063	+ 2
	December	4	44,433	6,217	4,995	+ 306	40,158	6,156	4,107	+ 512
2013	January	4	46,110	9,459	7,782	+ 419	40,618	9,322	8,862	+ 115
	February	4	45,486	7,081	7,705	- 156	40,318	7,321	7,621	- 75
	March	5	43,694	7,467	9,259	- 358	40,739	8,579	8,158	+ 84
	April	4	41,678	6,150	8,166	- 504	38,058	7,117	9,798	- 670
	May	5	40,116	6,561	8,123	- 312	36,900	6,286	7,444	- 232
	June	4	39,432	5,425	6,109	- 171	39,586	7,484	4,798	+ 672
	July	4	38,186	5,685	6,931	- 312	43,531	9,917	5,972	+ 986
	August	5	34,438	5,623	9,371	- 750	39,388	6,718	10,861	- 829
JA Applications										
2012	August	5	227,251	12,667	11,990	+ 135	100,535	8,008	6,901	+ 221
	September	4	217,633	11,798	21,416	- 2,405	94,578	7,474	13,431	- 1,489
	October	4	213,313	11,666	15,986	- 1,080	92,280	7,001	9,299	- 575
	November	5	211,367	13,524	15,470	- 389	91,463	8,166	8,983	- 163
	December	4	213,554	8,456	6,269	+ 547	92,080	4,734	4,117	+ 154
2013	January	4	215,478	10,433	8,509	+ 481	93,368	6,378	5,090	+ 322
	February	4	215,282	10,563	10,759	- 49	93,873	6,470	5,965	+ 126
	March	5	213,055	11,596	13,823	- 445	93,306	6,916	7,483	- 113
	April	4	211,102	9,344	11,297	- 488	92,668	5,786	6,424	- 160
	May	5	214,641	12,330	8,791	+ 708	96,143	8,421	4,946	+ 695
	June	4	219,358	11,455	6,738	+ 1,179	102,942	10,662	3,863	+ 1,700
	July	4	220,093	10,872	10,137	+ 184	105,753	8,641	5,830	+ 703
	August	5	219,799	12,917	13,211	- 59	106,802	9,199	8,150	+ 210
Other Registrants										
2012	August	5	12,144	546	546	0	22,272	1,370	1,240	+ 26
	September	4	11,905	493	732	- 60	21,556	976	1,692	- 179
	October	4	11,713	557	749	- 48	21,248	937	1,245	- 77
	November	5	11,792	733	654	+ 16	21,335	1,403	1,316	+ 17
	December	4	11,899	467	360	+ 27	21,609	799	525	+ 69
2013	January	4	12,039	687	547	+ 35	21,783	1,237	1,063	+ 44
	February	4	12,087	586	538	+ 12	21,830	1,065	1,018	+ 12
	March	5	12,247	776	616	+ 32	22,047	1,240	1,023	+ 43
	April	4	12,237	533	543	- 3	21,850	929	1,126	- 49
	May	5	12,164	567	640	- 15	21,773	924	1,001	- 15
	June	4	12,147	489	506	- 4	21,892	1,012	893	+ 30
	July	4	12,024	554	677	- 31	22,389	1,534	1,037	+ 124
	August	5	12,206	766	584	+ 36	22,647	1,432	1,174	+ 52

¹ Flow analysis: inflows and outflows published in this table do not take account of inter-scheme activity within the Live Register. For example, if a claimant exhausts his/her entitlement to JB and opens a new JA claim this is counted as an outflow in JB and an inflow in JA.

See StatBank Table LRM12.

Table 5 Persons on the Live Register classified by region

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions ¹	August 2012	July 2013	August 2013	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Border, Midland and Western	88,008	83,596	82,384	- 1,212	- 5,624	13,487	68,897
Border	40,525	38,253	37,701	- 552	- 2,824	6,404	31,297
Midland	21,899	21,223	20,891	- 332	- 1,008	3,444	17,447
West	25,584	24,120	23,792	- 328	- 1,792	3,639	20,153
Southern and Eastern	198,617	186,707	184,059	- 2,648	- 14,558	28,324	155,735
Dublin	71,368	67,550	66,889	- 661	- 4,479	10,576	56,313
Mid-East	26,900	25,629	25,255	- 374	- 1,645	3,988	21,267
Mid-West	24,417	22,608	22,393	- 215	- 2,024	3,496	18,897
South-East	37,483	35,415	34,909	- 506	- 2,574	5,438	29,471
South-West	38,449	35,505	34,613	- 892	- 3,836	4,826	29,787
Total	286,625	270,303	266,443	- 3,860	- 20,182	41,811	224,632
Females							
Border, Midland and Western	54,209	55,063	54,205	- 858	- 4	10,126	44,079
Border	24,456	24,704	24,208	- 496	- 248	4,663	19,545
Midland	13,455	13,875	13,726	- 149	+ 271	2,800	10,926
West	16,298	16,484	16,271	- 213	- 27	2,663	13,608
Southern and Eastern	115,422	116,610	114,632	- 1,978	- 790	20,008	94,624
Dublin	39,213	39,505	39,120	- 385	- 93	6,815	32,305
Mid-East	16,491	17,336	16,929	- 407	+ 438	2,838	14,091
Mid-West	14,950	14,634	14,498	- 136	- 452	2,672	11,826
South-East	22,139	22,506	22,167	- 339	+ 28	4,128	18,039
South-West	22,629	22,629	21,918	- 711	- 711	3,555	18,363
Total	169,631	171,673	168,837	- 2,836	- 794	30,134	138,703
All Persons							
Border, Midland and Western	142,217	138,659	136,589	- 2,070	- 5,628	23,613	112,976
Border	64,981	62,957	61,909	- 1,048	- 3,072	11,067	50,842
Midland	35,354	35,098	34,617	- 481	- 737	6,244	28,373
West	41,882	40,604	40,063	- 541	- 1,819	6,302	33,761
Southern and Eastern	314,039	303,317	298,691	- 4,626	- 15,348	48,332	250,359
Dublin	110,581	107,055	106,009	- 1,046	- 4,572	17,391	88,618
Mid-East	43,391	42,965	42,184	- 781	- 1,207	6,826	35,358
Mid-West	39,367	37,242	36,891	- 351	- 2,476	6,168	30,723
South-East	59,622	57,921	57,076	- 845	- 2,546	9,566	47,510
South-West	61,078	58,134	56,531	- 1,603	- 4,547	8,381	48,150
Total	456,256	441,976	435,280	- 6,696	- 20,976	71,945	363,335

¹ The composition of the regions is described in the Background Notes.
See StatBank Table LRM04.

Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by last held occupation

Broad occupational group	August 2012	July 2013	August 2013	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Managers and administrators	10,211	10,096	10,014	- 82	- 197	407	9,607
Professional	12,885	12,028	12,032	+ 4	- 853	1,254	10,778
Associate professional and technical	7,671	7,316	7,354	+ 38	- 317	1,121	6,233
Clerical and secretarial	12,449	12,079	11,809	- 270	- 640	1,562	10,247
Craft and related	95,622	85,107	83,319	- 1,788	- 12,303	7,862	75,457
Personal and protective service	18,468	18,052	17,790	- 262	- 678	2,705	15,085
Sales	19,687	19,247	19,195	- 52	- 492	5,804	13,391
Plant and machine operatives	55,584	53,964	52,824	- 1,140	- 2,760	7,002	45,822
Other occupation	40,804	38,770	38,412	- 358	- 2,392	7,812	30,600
No occupation ¹	13,244	13,644	13,694	+ 50	+ 450	6,282	7,412
Total	286,625	270,303	266,443	- 3,860	- 20,182	41,811	224,632
Females							
Managers and administrators	6,951	7,525	7,435	- 90	+ 484	236	7,199
Professional	16,341	16,345	16,106	- 239	- 235	1,609	14,497
Associate professional and technical	5,584	5,420	5,412	- 8	- 172	636	4,776
Clerical and secretarial	34,254	34,589	33,014	- 1,575	- 1,240	2,135	30,879
Craft and related	7,663	7,693	7,534	- 159	- 129	1,165	6,369
Personal and protective service	34,289	34,814	34,319	- 495	+ 30	6,927	27,392
Sales	30,469	29,407	29,129	- 278	- 1,340	7,349	21,780
Plant and machine operatives	15,899	16,509	16,484	- 25	+ 585	2,687	13,797
Other occupation	10,385	10,801	10,783	- 18	+ 398	3,351	7,432
No occupation ¹	7,796	8,570	8,621	+ 51	+ 825	4,039	4,582
Total	169,631	171,673	168,837	- 2,836	- 794	30,134	138,703
All Persons							
Managers and administrators	17,162	17,621	17,449	- 172	+ 287	643	16,806
Professional	29,226	28,373	28,138	- 235	- 1,088	2,863	25,275
Associate professional and technical	13,255	12,736	12,766	+ 30	- 489	1,757	11,009
Clerical and secretarial	46,703	46,668	44,823	- 1,845	- 1,880	3,697	41,126
Craft and related	103,285	92,800	90,853	- 1,947	- 12,432	9,027	81,826
Personal and protective service	52,757	52,866	52,109	- 757	- 648	9,632	42,477
Sales	50,156	48,654	48,324	- 330	- 1,832	13,153	35,171
Plant and machine operatives	71,483	70,473	69,308	- 1,165	- 2,175	9,689	59,619
Other occupation	51,189	49,571	49,195	- 376	- 1,994	11,163	38,032
No occupation ¹	21,040	22,214	22,315	+ 101	+ 1,275	10,321	11,994
Total	456,256	441,976	435,280	- 6,696	- 20,976	71,945	363,335

¹ Includes those who never worked and those who have no stated occupation.

See StatBank Table LRM13.

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register classified by duration of continuous registration

Duration	August 2012	July 2013	August 2013	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Less than one year	144,502	133,940	131,106	- 2,834	- 13,396	25,485	105,621
One year or more	142,123	136,363	135,337	- 1,026	- 6,786	16,326	119,011
Total	286,625	270,303	266,443	- 3,860	- 20,182	41,811	224,632
Females							
Less than one year	110,241	110,465	107,366	- 3,099	- 2,875	20,817	86,549
One year or more	59,390	61,208	61,471	+ 263	+ 2,081	9,317	52,154
Total	169,631	171,673	168,837	- 2,836	- 794	30,134	138,703
All Persons							
Less than one year	254,743	244,405	238,472	- 5,933	- 16,271	46,302	192,170
One year or more	201,513	197,571	196,808	- 763	- 4,705	25,643	171,165
Total	456,256	441,976	435,280	- 6,696	- 20,976	71,945	363,335

See StatBank Table LRM11.

Table 8 Casual and part-time workers on the Live Register

		Males	Monthly change	Females	Monthly change	All Persons	Monthly change
2011	August	45,312	- 327	39,984	- 242	85,296	- 569
	September	44,731	- 581	39,286	- 698	84,017	- 1,279
	October	45,234	+ 503	39,795	+ 509	85,029	+ 1,012
	November	45,914	+ 680	40,698	+ 903	86,612	+ 1,583
	December	46,044	+ 130	40,771	+ 73	86,815	+ 203
2012	January	46,256	+ 212	40,773	+ 2	87,029	+ 214
	February	47,038	+ 782	41,176	+ 403	88,214	+ 1,185
	March	47,539	+ 501	41,177	+ 1	88,716	+ 502
	April	47,614	+ 75	40,828	- 349	88,442	- 274
	May	47,626	+ 12	40,438	- 390	88,064	- 378
	June	47,891	+ 265	40,574	+ 136	88,465	+ 401
	July	47,797	- 94	40,244	- 330	88,041	- 424
	August	47,569	- 228	39,585	- 659	87,154	- 887
	September	46,643	- 926	38,447	- 1,138	85,090	- 2,064
	October	46,829	+ 186	38,834	+ 387	85,663	+ 573
	November	47,695	+ 866	39,786	+ 952	87,481	+ 1,818
	December	48,082	+ 387	39,987	+ 201	88,069	+ 588
2013	January	47,829	- 253	40,095	+ 108	87,924	- 145
	February	48,870	+ 1,041	40,910	+ 815	89,780	+ 1,856
	March	48,961	+ 91	40,837	- 73	89,798	+ 18
	April	48,527	- 434	40,382	- 455	88,909	- 889
	May	48,095	- 432	39,848	- 534	87,943	- 966
	June	48,178	+ 83	40,144	+ 296	88,322	+ 379
	July	47,592	- 586	39,827	- 317	87,419	- 903
	August	46,259	- 1,333	38,846	- 981	85,105	- 2,314

See StatBank Table LRM10.

Table 9 Persons on the Live Register classified by nationality grouping

		Nationality grouping						
		Non-Irish nationals						
		United Kingdom	EU15 excl. Irl. & UK	EU15 to EU28 ¹	Other	Non-Irish nationals	Irish nationals	All Persons
2011	August	18,925	3,847	41,330	14,893	78,995	390,718	469,713
	September	17,894	3,586	40,000	13,941	75,421	362,020	437,441
	October	17,708	3,545	40,202	13,582	75,037	355,395	430,432
	November	17,648	3,571	40,788	13,512	75,519	354,048	429,567
	December	17,798	3,605	41,263	13,554	76,220	358,564	434,784
2012	January	17,827	3,648	42,831	13,845	78,151	361,438	439,589
	February	17,783	3,685	43,341	13,946	78,755	360,667	439,422
	March	17,521	3,608	43,025	13,926	78,080	355,974	434,054
	April	17,337	3,558	42,268	13,852	77,015	352,986	430,001
	May	17,447	3,551	41,634	14,151	76,783	356,124	432,907
	June	18,054	3,770	41,360	15,072	78,256	373,718	451,974
	July	18,290	3,756	41,167	15,209	78,422	381,901	460,323
	August	18,143	3,700	40,629	15,277	77,749	378,507	456,256
	September	17,135	3,525	39,335	14,324	74,319	355,016	429,335
	October	16,767	3,477	39,347	13,906	73,497	346,675	420,172
	November	16,695	3,530	39,935	13,588	73,748	343,529	417,277
	December	16,806	3,575	40,491	13,667	74,539	349,194	423,733
2013	January	16,934	3,743	42,004	13,761	76,442	352,954	429,396
	February	16,799	3,853	42,561	13,616	76,829	352,047	428,876
	March	16,555	3,851	42,246	13,194	75,846	349,242	425,088
	April	16,180	3,683	41,635	12,864	74,362	343,231	417,593
	May	16,187	3,663	40,858	13,124	73,832	347,905	421,737
	June	16,706	3,750	40,634	13,520	74,610	360,747	435,357
	July	16,873	3,748	40,136	13,312	74,069	367,907	441,976
	August	16,515	3,679	39,175	13,083	72,452	362,828	435,280

¹ With the addition of Croatia from July 2013, EU15- EU28

See StatBank Table LRM09.

Table 10 Live Register Compositional Analysis

	August 2010		August 2011		August 2012		August 2013	
	Number	% of total	Number	% of total	Number	% of total	Number	% of total
Sex								
Males	299,951	64.2	296,853	63.2	286,625	62.8	266,443	61.2
Females	166,972	35.8	172,860	36.8	169,631	37.2	168,837	38.8
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0
Age								
Under 25 years	94,550	20.2	88,770	18.9	80,351	17.6	71,945	16.5
25 years and over	372,373	79.8	380,943	81.1	375,905	82.4	363,335	83.5
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0
Scheme								
JB Claims	144,840	31.0	115,709	24.6	94,054	20.6	73,826	17.0
JA Applications	296,007	63.4	323,097	68.8	327,786	71.8	326,601	75.0
Other Registrants	26,076	5.6	30,907	6.6	34,416	7.5	34,853	8.0
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0
Duration of Continuous Registration								
Less than one year	318,521	68.2	278,135	59.2	254,743	55.8	238,472	54.8
One year or more	148,402	31.8	191,578	40.8	201,513	44.2	196,808	45.2
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0
Nationality Grouping								
Irish Nationals	388,066	83.1	390,718	83.2	378,507	83.0	362,828	83.4
Non-Irish Nationals	78,857	16.9	78,995	16.8	77,749	17.0	72,452	16.6
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0
NUTS2 Regions¹								
Border, Midland and Western	144,189	30.9	145,546	31.0	142,217	31.2	136,589	31.4
Southern and Eastern	322,734	69.1	324,167	69.0	314,039	68.8	298,691	68.6
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0
Last Held Occupation								
Managers and administrators	18,429	3.9	17,369	3.7	17,162	3.8	17,449	4.0
Professional	31,322	6.7	30,582	6.5	29,226	6.4	28,138	6.5
Associate professional and technical	14,509	3.1	13,940	3.0	13,255	2.9	12,766	2.9
Clerical and secretarial	49,944	10.7	49,679	10.6	46,703	10.2	44,823	10.3
Craft and related	118,895	25.5	111,551	23.7	103,285	22.6	90,853	20.9
Personal and protective service	50,181	10.7	53,177	11.3	52,757	11.6	52,109	12.0
Sales	47,572	10.2	50,554	10.8	50,156	11.0	48,324	11.1
Plant and machine operatives	71,686	15.4	73,153	15.6	71,483	15.7	69,308	15.9
Other occupation	49,502	10.6	51,483	11.0	51,189	11.2	49,195	11.3
No occupation ²	14,883	3.2	18,225	3.9	21,040	4.6	22,315	5.1
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0
Casual Status								
No casual and part-time work	388,641	83.2	384,417	81.8	369,102	80.9	350,175	80.4
Casual and part-time work	78,282	16.8	85,296	18.2	87,154	19.1	85,105	19.6
Total	466,923	100.0	469,713	100.0	456,256	100.0	435,280	100.0

¹ The composition of the regions is described in the Background Notes.² Includes those who never worked and those who have no stated occupation.

Annex - Activation Programmes

The table below contains the end of July 2013 data on the number of people availing of a range of programmes targeted primarily at the long-term unemployed (over 12 months) and other welfare recipients, including Lone Parents.

There were 63,646 people availing of these programmes in July 2013, which is an increase of 4,400 (+7.4%) from the previous year, when there were 59,246 people in activation programmes.

Persons on activation programmes are not counted as part of the monthly Live Register.

Live Register Activation Programmes

	July 2012	June 2013	July 2013
Back to Work Schemes			
Back to Work allowance scheme - Employee strand ¹	43	15	14
Back to Work Enterprise allowance scheme -self employed strand	11,047	10,325	10,413
Short-term Enterprise Allowance ²	1,154	998	962
Total Back to Work payments	12,244	11,338	11,389
Other Activation Programmes			
DSP Part-time Job Incentive	190	258	258
TUS - Community Work Placement Initiative (2011)	4,473	5,448	5,768
JobBridge (2011)	4,995	5,934	5,488
Total Other Activation Programmes	9,658	11,640	11,514
Community Employment Schemes (excluding Supervisors)	21,459	21,144	21,341
FAS Full Time Training for Unemployed People³	7,356	8,605	7,325
Back to Education Courses			
Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) ⁴	N/A	N/A	N/A
Back to Education Allowance (BTEA) ⁵	3,529	8,837	7,077
Total Back to Education Courses	8,529	13,837	12,077
Total Activation Programmes	59,246	66,564	63,646

¹ This scheme was closed to new applications from 1st May 2009.

² This scheme was introduced from 1st May 2009. It provides immediate support for someone in receipt of Jobseekers Benefit who wants to start a business.

³ Specific Skills Training/Local Training initiative/Traineeship/Return to Work. Breakdown became available for April 2012 Live Register release.

⁴ VTOS figures are estimated at 5,000 each year.

⁵ BTEA figures include all schemes but participants from JA & JB are not entitled to BTEA during the summer holidays. Includes MOMENTUM participants from February 2013.

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 Protection. It comprises of 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:
August 2013 – 27th July to 30th August 2013
August 2012 – 28th July to 31st August 2012.

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 and 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.

Official estimates of the number of persons unemployed and the unemployment rate are produced from the Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS). The QNHS is the only source of information on unemployment and employment which can apply standard International Labour Organisation (ILO) methodology to the estimation of these key indicators. The background notes of the QNHS release contain more information on the ILO criteria. Given the timelag required to produce estimates from the QNHS and the quarterly periodicity, short-term trends in the Live Register are used to estimate more up-to-date monthly unemployment rates.

The seasonally adjusted QNHS estimate of unemployment is used as a benchmark for February (Quarter 1 QNHS), May (Quarter 2 QNHS), August (Quarter 3 QNHS) and November (Quarter 4 QNHS) each year. The latest QNHS benchmark is updated using the trend in the seasonally adjusted Live Register to allow the estimation of the SUR. Once new QNHS data is available it is used to revise the SUR series. The assumption underlying this methodology is that over short periods the change in the seasonally adjusted Live Register will represent accurately the change in unemployment which will be seen from the QNHS. This methodology has been used since the QNHS was first initiated at the end of 1997.

QNHS The Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS), which began in September 1997, replaced the Labour Force Survey and provides quarterly estimates of the unemployment rate. Up to and including the fourth quarter of 2008 the QNHS operated on a seasonal quarter basis. As of the first quarter 2009 the QNHS is now undertaken on a calendar quarter basis.

The calendar reference quarters for survey results are:

Q1 - January to March, Q2 - April to June, Q3 - July to September and Q4 - October to December.

The calendar quarter estimates for Q2 2013 (adjusted for seasonality) are:

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	%	%	%	%
2008	5.0	5.7	6.9	8.1
2009	10.2	12.1	12.6	13.0
2010	13.0	13.8	13.9	14.7
2011	14.4	14.4	14.8	14.8
2012	15.1	14.8	14.6	14.1
2013	13.8	13.7		

Seasonal adjustment Since January 2011 the seasonal adjustment of the Live Register is completed by applying the X-12-ARIMA model, developed by the U.S. Census Bureau. Seasonal adjustment is conducted using the indirect approach, where each individual series is independently adjusted (male under 25 years, female under 25 years, male 25 years and over and female 25 years and over). To preserve consistency between the individual and aggregate series, the series for gender, age group and total Live Register are then created from these four component series.

The X-12 ARIMA method has the X-11 moving averages process at its core, but builds on this by providing options for pre-treating the series using a regARIMA approach for prior adjustment and series extension. In essence this methodology will estimate seasonal factors while taking account of temporary changes, outliers, level shifts and calendar effects (e.g timing of Easter).

All Live Register series are updated monthly with the latest three years of seasonally adjusted data as part of the concurrent approach. The comprehensive annual review contains revisions to the entire series. Revisions to the series are typically very minor in scale.

For additional information on the use of X-12-ARIMA see detailed note in the January 2011 Live Register release.

Jobseeker's Benefit Duration Prior to 19 January 2004 Jobseeker's Benefit was payable for **15 months** (390 days).

From 19 January 2004, Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of 15 months (390 days) to people who had at least 260 paid PRSI contributions. Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of 12 months (312 days) to people who had less than 260 paid contributions (Refers to new claim).

From 15 October 2008, Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of 12 months (312 days) to people who had at least 260 paid PRSI contributions. Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of 9 months (234 days) to people who had less than 260 paid contributions.

As of 3 April 2013, Jobseeker's Benefit can be paid for a maximum of **9 months** (234 days) to people who have 260 paid PRSI contributions. Jobseekers Benefit can be paid for a maximum of **6 months** (156 days) to people who have less than 260 paid contributions (Refers to new claims).

Claimants getting Jobseeker's Benefit for 6 months or more on 3 April 2013 (or 3 months for people with fewer than 260 contributions) will not be affected.

One-Parent Family Payment (OFP) For information on the age-related changes to the OFP scheme from July 2013, please see the following link to the Department of Social Protection website:
http://www.welfare.ie/en/Pages/278_One-Parent-Family-Payment.aspx

Live Register Flows Live Register flows data is sourced from information collected by the Department of Social Protection. The aggregate of new registrations for each month is used in conjunction with the net change over the same period to calculate the outflow from the register. A new registration is defined as anybody on the Live Register in a particular month who was not on it the previous month. Inflows and outflows published in this release do not take account of inter-scheme activity within the Live Register. For example, if a claimant exhausts his/her entitlement to JB and opens a new JA claim this is counted as an outflow in JB and an inflow in JA.

Live Register Area Analysis The basis of the area analysis in Live Register statistics is the Department of Social Protection 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. data 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. **The latest available Live Register data by Province, County and Local Office of Registration will be released on the CSO website through the CSO Main Data Dissemination Service, StatBank one day after the publication of this release.**

NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions The Regional classifications 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

Border	Cavan Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo
Midland	Laois Longford Offaly Westmeath
West	Galway City Galway County Mayo Roscommon

Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region

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

Occupations Live Register occupational data is sourced from information collected by the Department of Social Protection on the most recent occupation of claimants when they sign on the Live Register. The classification used is based on the UK Standard Occupational Classification (SOC). “No occupation” is an additional category and includes those who have never worked and those who have no stated occupation.

Age by Duration Analysis Detailed tables relating to regional and scheme data are available on the CSO website through the CSO Main Data Dissemination Service, StatBank on a bi-annual basis, at the following link:

<http://cso.ie/shorturl.aspx/142>

Casual and part-time workers The casual and part-time workers’ figure is based on data supplied by the Department of Social Protection. People may apply for Jobseeker’s Benefit or Jobseeker’s Allowance if they only work for part of a week and be included on the Live Register.

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

CSO StatBank More detailed information on geographic breakdowns of the Live Register and duration of continuous registration along with all Live Register published data can be found on the CSO Main Data Dissemination Service, StatBank on the CSO website at the link:

<http://cso.ie/shorturl.aspx/39>

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