

## Live Register

October 2010

	<b>Live Register All Persons</b>	<b>Seasonally Adjusted</b>
<b>October 2009</b>	412,407	425,600
<b>September 2010</b>	442,417	449,600
<b>October 2010</b>	429,553	443,000
<b>Change in month</b>	- 12,864	- 6,600
<b>Change in year</b>	+ 17,146	+ 17,400

### Seasonally adjusted Live Register decreases by 6,600 in October

On a seasonally adjusted basis there was a monthly decrease of 6,600 in the Live Register in October 2010. This follows a decrease of 5,400 in September, and is the first time that the Live Register has fallen in two consecutive months since early 2007. The number of persons on the Live Register now stands at 429,553 which represents an annual increase of 17,146 (+4.2%) in the unadjusted series. This compares with an increase of 22,563 (+5.4%) in the year to September 2010. *See tables 1, 2a and graph opposite.*

Other features include:

- ◆ There was a decrease of 5,100 males and 1,500 females in the seasonally adjusted series in October. *See table 2a and background notes.*
- ◆ The average net weekly decrease in the seasonally adjusted series in October 2010 was 1,320, which compares with a weekly decrease of 1,350 in the previous month.
- ◆ The standardised unemployment rate in October was 13.6%, down from 13.7% in September. This compares with 13.2% in the second quarter of 2010, the latest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate from the Quarterly National Household Survey. *See table 3 and 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 April to June 2010, is 284,500 persons unemployed.

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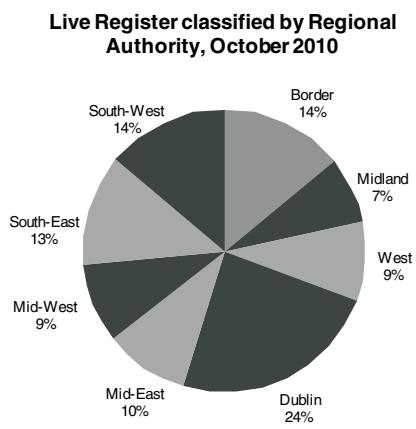
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## Live Register schemes analysis

In October there were 122,716 Jobseekers Benefit (JB) claimants on the Live Register, a monthly decrease of 5,634 (-4.4%), while the number of Jobseekers Allowance (JA) applicants decreased by 7,361 (-2.6%) to 281,064. Other registrants increased by 131 (+0.5%) to 25,773. *See table 1a.*

In the year to October 2010 JB claims fell by 45,772 (-27.2%), while JA applications and other registrants increased by 54,514 (+24.1%) and 8,404 (+48.4%) respectively.

In October there were 49,827 new registrants on the Live Register, which compares with 39,960 in the previous month. New registrants consisted of 22,903 JB claims (46%), 24,754 JA applications (49.7%) and 2,170 other registrants (4.4%). It should be noted that the number of new registrants is not the same as the overall change in the number of people on the Live Register which is affected by closed claims and the movement of people between schemes. *See table 4.*

On average 9,965 new registrants joined the Live Register each week in October, comprising 5,877 males (59.0%) and 4,088 (41.0%) females. By comparison, in October 2009 12,010 new registrants joined the Live Register each week, consisting of 7,386 males (61.5%) and 4,624 (38.5%) females.

## Live Register regional analysis

There was an unadjusted monthly decrease of 12,864 (-2.9%) on the Live Register in October. This decrease was reflected in all of the eight regions, with the largest percentage decrease in Dublin (-4.7%), followed by the West region (-3.2%). The smallest decrease was in the Midland region (-1.4%). *See table 5.*

The unadjusted annual increase of 4.2% on the Live Register in the year to October 2010 was reflected in all of the eight regions. The largest percentage increase was in the Midland region (+7.1%), followed by the Mid-East region (+6.7%). The smallest percentage increase was recorded in the West region (+2.2%).

## Live Register occupational groups<sup>1</sup>

*Craft and related* (26.0%) was the largest occupational group on the Live Register in October, followed by *Plant and machine operatives* (15.8%). In October 2009 *Craft and related* (27.1%) and *Plant and machine operatives* (15.9%) were also the largest occupational groups. *See table 6.*

All occupational groups showed monthly Live Register decreases in October. The largest percentage decrease was in the *Associate professional & technical group* (-6.5%), followed by the *Professional group* (-5.4%).

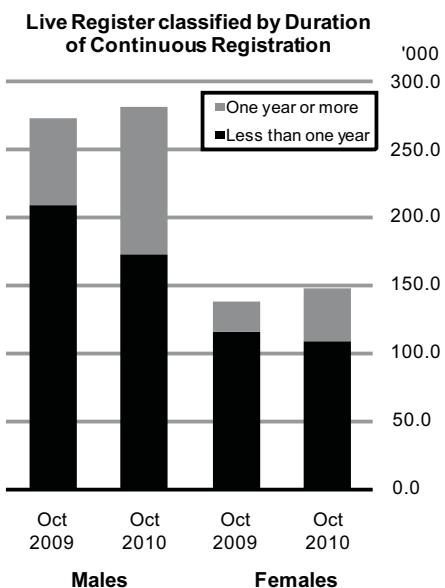
In the year to October 2010 six occupational groups showed Live Register increases. The largest percentage increase was in the *Other occupations* group (+12.4%), while the next largest increases were in the *Personal and protective service* (+9.1%) and *Sales* (+7.5%) groups. The largest percentage decrease was in the *Managers and administrators group* (-2.4%).

## Live Register duration of continuous registration

There was a monthly unadjusted decrease of 12,691 (-4.3%) in short term (less than one year) claimants on the Live Register in October, while the number of long term claimants decreased by 173 (-0.1%). The monthly change in short term claimants consisted of a decrease of 8,529 males and a decrease of 4,162 females. For long term claimants males showed an increase of 330 while females decreased by 503. *See table 7.*

In October approximately two thirds (281,945) of all claimants on the Live Register were short term claimants. The comparable figure for October 2009 was 324,993 (78.8%). The fall of 43,048 over the year consisted of a decrease of 36,008 in the number of male short term claimants and a decrease of 7,040 in female short term claimants.

<sup>1</sup>While the 'No Occupation' group are excluded from the analysis their subtotals are included in the relevant calculations presented in the text.



In the year to October 2010 the number of long term male claimants increased by 44,012 (+68.8%), while the comparable increase for females was 16,182 (+69.2%). *See table 7 and graph opposite.*

### Live Register casual and part-time workers

There were 77,924 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register in October, which represents 18.1% of the total Live Register. This compares with 16.8% one year earlier when there were 69,360 casual and part-time workers on the Live Register. *See table 8.*

In the year to October 2010 the number of casual and part-time workers increased by 8,564 (+12.3%), with the number of males increasing by 3,641 (+9.8%) and the number of females increasing by 4,923 (+15.3%).

### Live Register nationality groupings

In October Irish Nationals accounted for almost 83% (354,918) of the number of persons on the Live Register. There was a monthly decrease of 11,054 (-3.0%) in Irish nationals and a decrease of 1,810 (-2.4%) in non-Irish nationals. Of the 74,635 non-Irish nationals, the largest constituent group on the Live Register were nationals from the EU15 to EU27 States (40,065), followed by 17,715 nationals from the UK. *See table 9.*

In the year to October 2010 the number of Irish nationals on the Live Register increased by 18,815 (+5.6%), while the number of non-Irish nationals decreased by 1,669 (-2.2%).



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

Category	October 2009	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	103,191	72,408	68,599	- 3,809	- 34,592
JA Applications	164,674	208,367	203,934	+ 4,433	+ 39,260
Other Registrants	5,730	9,023	9,066	+ 43	+ 3,336
<b>Total</b>	<b>273,595</b>	<b>289,798</b>	<b>281,599</b>	<b>- 8,199</b>	<b>+ 8,004</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	65,297	55,942	54,117	- 1,825	- 11,180
JA Applications	61,876	80,058	77,130	+ 2,928	+ 15,254
Other Registrants	11,639	16,619	16,707	+ 88	+ 5,068
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,812</b>	<b>152,619</b>	<b>147,954</b>	<b>- 4,665</b>	<b>+ 9,142</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	168,488	128,350	122,716	- 5,634	- 45,772
JA Applications	226,550	288,425	281,064	+ 7,361	+ 54,514
Other Registrants	17,369	25,642	25,773	+ 131	+ 8,404
<b>Total</b>	<b>412,407</b>	<b>442,417</b>	<b>429,553</b>	<b>- 12,864</b>	<b>+ 17,146</b>

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

Category	October 2009	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	12,514	8,073	7,094	- 979	- 5,420
JA Applications	41,479	46,918	44,806	+ 2,112	+ 3,327
Other Registrants	113	162	145	- 17	+ 32
<b>Total</b>	<b>54,106</b>	<b>55,153</b>	<b>52,045</b>	<b>- 3,108</b>	<b>- 2,061</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	7,418	6,162	5,547	- 615	- 1,871
JA Applications	23,216	27,070	25,068	+ 2,002	+ 1,852
Other Registrants	208	278	262	- 16	+ 54
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,842</b>	<b>33,510</b>	<b>30,877</b>	<b>- 2,633</b>	<b>+ 35</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	19,932	14,235	12,641	- 1,594	- 7,291
JA Applications	64,695	73,988	69,874	+ 4,114	+ 5,179
Other Registrants	321	440	407	- 33	+ 86
<b>Total</b>	<b>84,948</b>	<b>88,663</b>	<b>82,922</b>	<b>- 5,741</b>	<b>- 2,026</b>

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

Category	October 2009	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>Males</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	90,677	64,335	61,505	- 2,830	- 29,172
JA Applications	123,195	161,449	159,128	+ 2,321	+ 35,933
Other Registrants	5,617	8,861	8,921	+ 60	+ 3,304
<b>Total</b>	<b>219,489</b>	<b>234,645</b>	<b>229,554</b>	<b>- 5,091</b>	<b>+ 10,065</b>
<b>Females</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	57,879	49,780	48,570	- 1,210	- 9,309
JA Applications	38,660	52,988	52,062	- 926	+ 13,402
Other Registrants	11,431	16,341	16,445	+ 104	+ 5,014
<b>Total</b>	<b>107,970</b>	<b>119,109</b>	<b>117,077</b>	<b>- 2,032</b>	<b>+ 9,107</b>
<b>All Persons</b>					
JB Claims <sup>1</sup>	148,556	114,115	110,075	- 4,040	- 38,481
JA Applications	161,855	214,437	211,190	+ 3,247	+ 49,335
Other Registrants	17,048	25,202	25,366	+ 164	+ 8,318
<b>Total</b>	<b>327,459</b>	<b>353,754</b>	<b>346,631</b>	<b>- 7,123</b>	<b>+ 19,172</b>

<sup>1</sup> See Background Notes.

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

Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series <sup>1</sup>			
	Males	Females	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons	
2008	October	164,700	85,900	250,700	172,700	90,600	263,300
	November	178,500	88,700	267,200	185,300	94,800	280,100
	December	194,600	95,400	290,000	197,800	98,500	296,300
2009	January	220,400	105,900	326,300	217,300	107,600	324,900
	February	238,200	114,300	352,500	233,500	114,900	348,400
	March	250,500	118,700	369,200	246,600	121,000	367,600
	April	257,800	124,000	381,900	255,800	127,200	383,000
	May	265,500	128,700	394,100	264,600	130,900	395,500
	June	275,400	140,000	415,500	271,800	135,000	406,800
	July	281,300	151,100	432,400	278,100	140,000	418,100
	August	284,200	152,600	436,700	282,000	142,700	424,700
	September	278,000	141,900	419,900	283,300	143,600	426,900
	October	273,600	138,800	412,400	282,000	143,600	425,600
	November	276,100	137,400	413,500	283,300	143,700	427,000
	December	282,900	140,700	423,600	286,300	143,900	430,300
2010	January	291,600	145,300	436,900	288,500	147,100	435,700
	February	290,900	146,100	437,000	285,900	146,700	432,600
	March	290,200	144,900	435,100	286,000	147,100	433,100
	April	287,800	144,800	432,700	285,600	148,000	433,500
	May	290,400	147,500	437,900	289,300	149,600	438,900
	June	297,100	155,800	452,900	293,300	150,700	444,000
	July	300,500	166,400	466,800	297,200	155,300	452,500
	August	300,000	167,000	466,900	297,900	157,200	455,000
	September	289,800	152,600	442,400	295,300	154,300	449,600
	October	281,600	148,000	429,600	290,200	152,800	443,000

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2010 (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	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons	
2008	October	35,100	19,200	54,200	36,900	20,000	57,000
	November	37,700	19,900	57,600	39,600	21,400	60,900
	December	41,300	20,700	62,000	42,300	22,300	64,600
2009	January	46,400	23,900	70,300	46,000	24,500	70,500
	February	49,700	25,900	75,600	48,900	26,300	75,200
	March	52,500	26,800	79,300	51,700	27,400	79,100
	April	52,900	27,400	80,300	52,900	28,400	81,300
	May	54,400	29,500	83,900	54,600	29,900	84,500
	June	57,900	33,200	91,100	56,700	31,500	88,200
	July	59,300	35,400	94,600	57,900	32,900	90,800
	August	59,400	35,600	95,000	58,000	33,200	91,200
	September	56,700	33,100	89,800	57,500	32,600	90,100
	October	54,100	30,800	84,900	56,000	31,700	87,800
	November	53,500	29,900	83,400	55,400	31,400	86,800
	December	54,800	29,600	84,400	55,900	31,200	87,100
2010	January	55,200	30,700	85,900	54,800	31,300	86,200
	February	54,600	30,500	85,100	53,800	30,900	84,700
	March	54,900	30,100	85,000	54,000	30,800	84,800
	April	53,400	29,600	83,000	53,400	30,600	84,000
	May	54,400	31,200	85,600	54,700	31,600	86,300
	June	57,500	34,100	91,600	56,200	32,400	88,600
	July	58,600	36,000	94,600	57,200	33,500	90,700
	August	58,300	36,300	94,600	57,000	33,800	90,800
	September	55,200	33,500	88,700	56,000	33,000	88,900
	October	52,000	30,900	82,900	54,000	31,800	85,800

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2010 (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	All Persons	Males	Females	All Persons	
2008	October	129,700	66,800	196,400	135,700	70,600	206,300
	November	140,800	68,800	209,600	145,800	73,400	219,200
	December	153,300	74,700	228,000	155,500	76,100	231,600
2009	January	174,000	82,000	256,000	171,300	83,100	254,500
	February	188,500	88,400	276,900	184,500	88,600	273,200
	March	198,000	91,900	289,900	194,900	93,500	288,500
	April	205,000	96,600	301,600	202,900	98,800	301,700
	May	211,100	99,200	310,300	209,900	101,000	311,000
	June	217,500	106,800	324,400	215,200	103,400	318,600
	July	222,000	115,700	337,800	220,200	107,100	327,300
	August	224,800	116,900	341,800	224,000	109,600	333,500
	September	221,300	108,700	330,000	225,800	111,000	336,800
	October	219,500	108,000	327,500	225,900	111,900	337,800
	November	222,600	107,500	330,100	227,900	112,400	340,200
	December	228,000	111,100	339,200	230,500	112,700	343,200
2010	January	236,400	114,600	351,000	233,700	115,800	349,500
	February	236,300	115,600	351,800	232,100	115,800	347,900
	March	235,300	114,800	350,100	232,000	116,300	348,300
	April	234,400	115,200	349,700	232,200	117,300	349,500
	May	235,900	116,400	352,300	234,600	118,100	352,700
	June	239,500	121,700	361,200	237,000	118,300	355,400
	July	241,800	130,400	372,200	240,000	121,700	361,700
	August	241,700	130,700	372,400	240,900	123,400	364,300
	September	234,600	119,100	353,800	239,300	121,400	360,700
	October	229,600	117,100	346,600	236,200	121,000	357,200

<sup>1</sup> Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2010 (see Background Notes).

**Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates (SUR)**

Month	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	%	%	%	%	%	%
January	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.8	9.5	13.1
February <sup>1</sup>	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.9	10.2	12.9
March	4.4	4.4	4.5	5.2	10.8	13.0
April	4.4	4.5	4.5	5.3	11.3	13.0
May <sup>1</sup>	4.6	4.5	4.5	5.5	11.6	13.2 <sup>2</sup>
June	4.5	4.5	4.5	5.9	12.0	13.4
July	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.4	12.3	13.7
August <sup>1</sup>	4.4	4.5	4.5	6.8	12.4	13.8
September	4.4	4.5	4.6	7.2	12.7	13.7
October	4.3	4.4	4.7	7.6	12.8	13.6
November <sup>1</sup>	4.3	4.3	4.8	8.1	13.1	
December	4.3	4.4	4.8	8.6	13.1	
Annual average	4.4	4.4	4.6	6.4	11.8	

<sup>1</sup> Benchmark Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) calendar quarter estimates.

<sup>2</sup> The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (adjusted for seasonality) is: April-June 2010, 13.2%.

**Table 4 Summary of flows<sup>1</sup> on and off the Live Register**

		Number of Weeks	Males				Females			
			Live Register	New Registrations	Average Outflow (derived)	Average Weekly Change	Live Register	New Registrations	Average Outflow (derived)	Average Weekly Change
<b>JB Claims</b>										
2009	October	5	103,191	16,947	23,609	- 1,332	65,297	12,712	14,975	- 453
	November	4	100,591	14,296	16,896	- 650	63,110	9,277	11,464	- 547
	December	4	100,716	13,210	13,085	+ 31	64,591	8,845	7,364	+ 370
2010	January	5	101,677	20,704	19,743	+ 192	66,171	13,761	12,181	+ 316
	February	4	97,189	12,946	17,434	- 1,122	65,364	10,350	11,157	- 202
	March	4	92,871	11,045	15,363	- 1,080	63,013	7,538	9,889	- 588
	April	5	87,321	13,413	18,963	- 1,110	61,339	12,280	13,954	- 335
	May	4	84,547	10,582	13,356	- 694	60,438	7,942	8,843	- 225
	June	4	83,278	10,886	12,155	- 317	62,799	10,252	7,891	+ 590
	July	5	81,499	13,338	15,117	- 356	68,229	16,305	10,875	+ 1,086
	August	4	78,239	8,455	11,715	- 815	66,601	7,304	8,932	- 407
	September	4	72,408	9,325	15,156	- 1,458	55,942	7,627	18,286	- 2,665
	October	5	68,599	12,335	16,144	- 762	54,117	10,568	12,393	- 365
<b>JA Applications</b>										
2009	October	5	164,674	19,181	17,229	+ 390	61,876	8,949	10,031	- 216
	November	4	169,452	16,110	11,332	+ 1,195	62,202	6,683	6,357	+ 82
	December	4	175,668	14,153	7,937	+ 1,554	63,411	5,415	4,206	+ 302
2010	January	5	183,178	17,807	10,297	+ 1,502	65,958	7,480	4,933	+ 509
	February	4	186,452	15,193	11,919	+ 819	66,947	6,663	5,674	+ 247
	March	4	189,865	13,756	10,343	+ 853	67,721	5,853	5,079	+ 194
	April	5	192,591	15,851	13,125	+ 545	68,869	7,276	6,128	+ 230
	May	4	197,642	13,652	8,601	+ 1,263	71,999	7,134	4,004	+ 783
	June	4	205,259	15,428	7,811	+ 1,904	77,282	8,880	3,597	+ 1,321
	July	5	210,185	17,241	12,315	+ 985	81,409	10,384	6,257	+ 825
	August	4	212,731	12,179	9,633	+ 637	83,276	6,636	4,769	+ 467
	September	4	208,367	13,679	18,043	- 1,091	80,058	7,597	10,815	- 805
	October	5	203,934	16,281	20,714	- 887	77,130	8,473	11,401	- 586
<b>Other Registrants</b>										
2009	October	5	5,730	803	501	+ 60	11,639	1,458	1,152	+ 61
	November	4	6,050	629	309	+ 80	12,100	1,142	681	+ 115
	December	4	6,470	674	254	+ 105	12,739	1,097	458	+ 160
2010	January	5	6,793	843	520	+ 65	13,159	1,327	907	+ 84
	February	4	7,226	774	341	+ 108	13,778	1,330	711	+ 155
	March	4	7,480	560	306	+ 64	14,171	988	595	+ 98
	April	5	7,916	797	361	+ 87	14,621	1,293	843	+ 90
	May	4	8,196	582	302	+ 70	15,100	979	500	+ 120
	June	4	8,521	608	283	+ 81	15,743	1,208	565	+ 161
	July	5	8,776	844	589	+ 51	16,726	2,075	1,092	+ 197
	August	4	8,981	604	399	+ 51	17,095	1,016	647	+ 92
	September	4	9,023	616	574	+ 11	16,619	1,116	1,592	- 119
	October	5	9,066	771	728	+ 9	16,707	1,399	1,311	+ 18

<sup>1</sup> 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.

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

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions <sup>1</sup>	October 2009	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Males</b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>83,968</b>	<b>88,564</b>	<b>86,464</b>	- 2,100	+ 2,496	<b>16,621</b>	<b>69,843</b>
Border	38,446	40,571	39,636	- 935	+ 1,190	7,771	31,865
Midland	20,212	21,731	21,372	- 359	+ 1,160	4,119	17,253
West	25,310	26,262	25,456	- 806	+ 146	4,731	20,725
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>189,627</b>	<b>201,234</b>	<b>195,135</b>	- 6,099	+ 5,508	<b>35,424</b>	<b>159,711</b>
Dublin	66,706	71,043	67,946	- 3,097	+ 1,240	12,671	55,275
Mid-East	25,392	27,750	26,983	- 767	+ 1,591	4,751	22,232
Mid-West	23,974	25,501	24,995	- 506	+ 1,021	4,598	20,397
South-East	35,443	37,236	36,337	- 899	+ 894	6,965	29,372
South-West	38,112	39,704	38,874	- 830	+ 762	6,439	32,435
<b>Total</b>	<b>273,595</b>	<b>289,798</b>	<b>281,599</b>	- 8,199	+ 8,004	<b>52,045</b>	<b>229,554</b>
<b>Females</b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>42,643</b>	<b>47,078</b>	<b>45,851</b>	- 1,227	+ 3,208	<b>9,988</b>	<b>35,863</b>
Border	19,212	21,353	20,726	- 627	+ 1,514	4,518	16,208
Midland	10,223	11,320	11,230	- 90	+ 1,007	2,623	8,607
West	13,208	14,405	13,895	- 510	+ 687	2,847	11,048
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>96,169</b>	<b>105,541</b>	<b>102,103</b>	- 3,438	+ 5,934	<b>20,889</b>	<b>81,214</b>
Dublin	33,234	36,475	34,555	- 1,920	+ 1,321	7,339	27,216
Mid-East	13,648	15,142	14,667	- 475	+ 1,019	2,777	11,890
Mid-West	12,565	13,839	13,494	- 345	+ 929	2,832	10,662
South-East	17,426	19,252	18,702	- 550	+ 1,276	4,169	14,533
South-West	19,296	20,833	20,685	- 148	+ 1,389	3,772	16,913
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,812</b>	<b>152,619</b>	<b>147,954</b>	- 4,665	+ 9,142	<b>30,877</b>	<b>117,077</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>126,611</b>	<b>135,642</b>	<b>132,315</b>	- 3,327	+ 5,704	<b>26,609</b>	<b>105,706</b>
Border	57,658	61,924	60,362	- 1,562	+ 2,704	12,289	48,073
Midland	30,435	33,051	32,602	- 449	+ 2,167	6,742	25,860
West	38,518	40,667	39,351	- 1,316	+ 833	7,578	31,773
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>285,796</b>	<b>306,775</b>	<b>297,238</b>	- 9,537	+ 11,442	<b>56,313</b>	<b>240,925</b>
Dublin	99,940	107,518	102,501	- 5,017	+ 2,561	20,010	82,491
Mid-East	39,040	42,892	41,650	- 1,242	+ 2,610	7,528	34,122
Mid-West	36,539	39,340	38,489	- 851	+ 1,950	7,430	31,059
South-East	52,869	56,488	55,039	- 1,449	+ 2,170	11,134	43,905
South-West	57,408	60,537	59,559	- 978	+ 2,151	10,211	49,348
<b>Total</b>	<b>412,407</b>	<b>442,417</b>	<b>429,553</b>	- 12,864	+ 17,146	<b>82,922</b>	<b>346,631</b>

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

**Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by last held occupation<sup>1</sup>**

Broad occupational group	October 2009	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Males</b>							
Managers and administrators	10,514	10,498	10,111	- 387	- 403	531	9,580
Professional	13,144	13,516	12,638	- 878	- 506	1,588	11,050
Associate professional and technical	7,681	8,240	7,655	- 585	- 26	1,068	6,587
Clerical and secretarial	11,427	12,005	11,434	- 571	+ 7	2,084	9,350
Craft and related	105,281	108,141	104,882	- 3,259	- 399	17,308	87,574
Personal and protective service	15,532	16,944	16,928	- 16	+ 1,396	3,248	13,680
Sales	15,070	16,953	16,031	- 922	+ 961	5,515	10,516
Plant and machine operatives	51,528	54,266	53,293	- 973	+ 1,765	8,150	45,143
Other occupation	36,092	39,871	39,382	- 489	+ 3,290	8,154	31,228
No occupation <sup>1</sup>	7,326	9,364	9,245	- 119	+ 1,919	4,399	4,846
<b>Total</b>	<b>273,595</b>	<b>289,798</b>	<b>281,599</b>	<b>- 8,199</b>	<b>+ 8,004</b>	<b>52,045</b>	<b>229,554</b>
<b>Females</b>							
Managers and administrators	6,922	7,209	6,910	- 299	- 12	371	6,539
Professional	12,386	13,429	12,853	- 576	+ 467	1,553	11,300
Associate professional and technical	5,177	5,550	5,234	- 316	+ 57	730	4,504
Clerical and secretarial	31,076	32,024	31,123	- 901	+ 47	3,128	27,995
Craft and related	6,496	6,876	6,754	- 122	+ 258	1,223	5,531
Personal and protective service	27,620	30,359	30,147	- 212	+ 2,527	7,559	22,588
Sales	24,831	28,297	26,881	- 1,416	+ 2,050	8,344	18,537
Plant and machine operatives	13,948	15,012	14,437	- 575	+ 489	2,713	11,724
Other occupation	6,466	8,562	8,465	- 97	+ 1,999	2,588	5,877
No occupation <sup>1</sup>	3,890	5,301	5,150	- 151	+ 1,260	2,668	2,482
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,812</b>	<b>152,619</b>	<b>147,954</b>	<b>- 4,665</b>	<b>+ 9,142</b>	<b>30,877</b>	<b>117,077</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
Managers and administrators	17,436	17,707	17,021	- 686	- 415	902	16,119
Professional	25,530	26,945	25,491	- 1,454	- 39	3,141	22,350
Associate professional and technical	12,858	13,790	12,889	- 901	+ 31	1,798	11,091
Clerical and secretarial	42,503	44,029	42,557	- 1,472	+ 54	5,212	37,345
Craft and related	111,777	115,017	111,636	- 3,381	- 141	18,531	93,105
Personal and protective service	43,152	47,303	47,075	- 228	+ 3,923	10,807	36,268
Sales	39,901	45,250	42,912	- 2,338	+ 3,011	13,859	29,053
Plant and machine operatives	65,476	69,278	67,730	- 1,548	+ 2,254	10,863	56,867
Other occupation	42,558	48,433	47,847	- 586	+ 5,289	10,742	37,105
No occupation <sup>1</sup>	11,216	14,665	14,395	- 270	+ 3,179	7,067	7,328
<b>Total</b>	<b>412,407</b>	<b>442,417</b>	<b>429,553</b>	<b>- 12,864</b>	<b>+ 17,146</b>	<b>82,922</b>	<b>346,631</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes those who never worked and those who have no stated occupation.

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

Duration	October 2009	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
<b>Males</b>							
Less than one year	209,580	182,101	173,572	- 8,529	- 36,008	33,323	140,249
One year or more	64,015	107,697	108,027	+ 330	+ 44,012	18,722	89,305
<b>Total</b>	<b>273,595</b>	<b>289,798</b>	<b>281,599</b>	<b>- 8,199</b>	<b>+ 8,004</b>	<b>52,045</b>	<b>229,554</b>
<b>Females</b>							
Less than one year	115,413	112,535	108,373	- 4,162	- 7,040	22,012	86,361
One year or more	23,399	40,084	39,581	- 503	+ 16,182	8,865	30,716
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,812</b>	<b>152,619</b>	<b>147,954</b>	<b>- 4,665</b>	<b>+ 9,142</b>	<b>30,877</b>	<b>117,077</b>
<b>All Persons</b>							
Less than one year	324,993	294,636	281,945	- 12,691	- 43,048	55,335	226,610
One year or more	87,414	147,781	147,608	- 173	+ 60,194	27,587	120,021
<b>Total</b>	<b>412,407</b>	<b>442,417</b>	<b>429,553</b>	<b>- 12,864</b>	<b>+ 17,146</b>	<b>82,922</b>	<b>346,631</b>

**Table 8 Casual and part-time workers on the Live Register<sup>1</sup>**

		Males	Monthly change	Females	Monthly change	All Persons	Monthly change
2008	October	14,386	+ 1,686	16,919	+ 1,398	31,305	+ 3,084
	November	17,073	+ 2,687	18,724	+ 1,805	35,797	+ 4,492
	December	18,600	+ 1,527	19,634	+ 910	38,234	+ 2,437
2009	January	22,807	+ 4,207	22,619	+ 2,985	45,426	+ 7,192
	February	27,777	+ 4,970	25,977	+ 3,358	53,754	+ 8,328
	March	31,384	+ 3,607	28,449	+ 2,472	59,833	+ 6,079
	April	32,986	+ 1,602	29,315	+ 866	62,301	+ 2,468
	May	35,588	+ 2,602	30,590	+ 1,275	66,178	+ 3,877
	June	36,718	+ 1,130	31,414	+ 824	68,132	+ 1,954
	July	37,415	+ 697	32,138	+ 724	69,553	+ 1,421
	August	37,749	+ 334	32,354	+ 216	70,103	+ 550
	September	38,268	+ 519	32,590	+ 236	70,858	+ 755
	October	37,273	- 995	32,087	- 503	69,360	- 1,498
	November	39,322	+ 2,049	34,308	+ 2,221	73,630	+ 4,270
	December	39,493	+ 171	34,506	+ 198	73,999	+ 369
2010	January	40,743	+ 1,250	36,120	+ 1,614	76,863	+ 2,864
	February	42,026	+ 1,283	37,263	+ 1,143	79,289	+ 2,426
	March	42,284	+ 258	37,565	+ 302	79,849	+ 560
	April	41,713	- 571	37,396	- 169	79,109	- 740
	May	41,602	- 111	37,273	- 123	78,875	- 234
	June	41,790	+ 188	37,449	+ 176	79,239	+ 364
	July	41,624	- 166	37,448	- 1	79,072	- 167
	August	41,162	- 462	37,120	- 328	78,282	- 790
	September	40,399	- 763	36,480	- 640	76,879	- 1,403
	October	40,914	+ 515	37,010	+ 530	77,924	+ 1,045

<sup>1</sup> See Background Notes.

**Table 9 Persons on the Live Register classified by nationality grouping**

		Nationality grouping						<b>All Persons</b>	
		Non-Irish nationals				<b>Non-Irish nationals</b>	<b>Irish nationals</b>		
		<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>EU15 excl. Irl. &amp; UK</b>	<b>EU15 to EU27 States</b>	<b>Other</b>				
2008	October	11,543	2,638	22,162	8,044	44,387	206,293	250,680	
	November	12,320	2,890	25,956	8,468	49,634	217,555	267,189	
	December	13,233	3,193	28,788	8,975	54,189	235,829	290,018	
2009	January	14,743	3,632	35,627	9,999	64,001	262,271	326,272	
	February	15,642	4,033	40,799	10,838	71,312	281,141	352,453	
	March	16,220	4,224	43,286	11,449	75,179	294,024	369,203	
	April	16,731	4,345	44,358	11,852	77,286	304,590	381,876	
	May	17,225	4,358	44,209	12,652	78,444	315,690	394,134	
	June	17,929	4,497	44,102	13,737	80,265	335,197	415,462	
	July	18,490	4,460	43,098	14,050	80,098	352,323	432,421	
	August	18,663	4,445	42,685	13,891	79,684	357,041	436,725	
	September	18,098	4,219	41,990	13,436	77,743	342,111	419,854	
	October	17,857	4,081	41,369	12,997	76,304	336,103	412,407	
	November	17,840	4,031	42,003	12,906	76,780	336,725	413,505	
	December	18,062	4,073	42,366	13,018	77,519	346,076	423,595	
2010	January	18,524	4,186	45,328	13,357	81,395	355,541	436,936	
	February	18,413	4,139	45,338	13,376	81,266	355,690	436,956	
	March	18,238	4,039	44,486	13,278	80,041	355,080	435,121	
	April	18,081	3,955	43,248	13,107	78,391	354,266	432,657	
	May	18,217	3,964	42,416	13,472	78,069	359,853	437,922	
	June	18,619	4,028	41,856	14,342	78,845	374,037	452,882	
	July	18,979	4,100	41,570	14,563	79,212	387,612	466,824	
	August	19,007	4,115	41,154	14,581	78,857	388,066	466,923	
	September	18,190	3,902	40,427	13,926	76,445	365,972	442,417	
	October	17,715	3,755	40,065	13,100	74,635	354,918	429,553	

## 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 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:  
 October 2010 – 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010 to 29<sup>th</sup> October 2010  
 October 2009 – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2009 to 30<sup>th</sup> October 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).

**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 February, May, August and November 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. The traditional estimation approach has been used from April 1997 onwards.

**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 2010 (adjusted for seasonality) are:

	Q1 %	Q2 %	Q3 %	Q4 %
2005	4.2	4.6	4.4	4.3
2006	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.3
2007	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.8
2008	4.9	5.5	6.8	8.1
2009	10.2	11.6	12.4	13.1
2010	12.9	13.2		

**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.

<b>Jobseekers Benefit Duration</b>	Prior to 19 January 2004 Jobseekers Benefit was payable for <b>15 months</b> (390 days). From 19 January 2004, Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of <b>15 months</b> (390 days) to people who had at least 260 paid PRSI contributions. Jobseeker's Benefit could be paid for a maximum of <b>12 months</b> (312 days) to people who had less than 260 paid contributions. (Refers to new claims).		
	Since 15 October 2008, Jobseeker's Benefit can be paid for a maximum of <b>12 months</b> (312 days) to people who have at least 260 paid PRSI contributions. Jobseeker's Benefit can be paid for a maximum of <b>9 months</b> (234 days) to people who have less than 260 paid contributions. (Refers to new claims).		
<b>Live Register Flows</b>	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.		
<b>Live Register Area Analysis</b>	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. <b>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, Database Direct one day after the publication of this release.</b>		
<b>NUTS2 and NUTS3 regions</b>	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.		
	<b>Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region</b>		
	<b>Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region</b>		
<b>Border</b>	Cavan Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo	<b>Dublin</b>	Dublin City Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Fingal South Dublin
<b>Midland</b>	Laois Longford Offaly Westmeath	<b>Mid-East</b>	Kildare Meath Wicklow
<b>West</b>	Galway City Galway County Mayo Roscommon	<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

<b>Occupations</b>	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.
<b>Age by Duration Analysis</b>	Duration of continuous registration on the Live Register was previously compiled on a half-yearly basis (April and October). The Live Register Age by Duration release has now been replaced by a monthly table in this release. The bi-annual release related to the second last Friday of the reference month but the monthly age by duration data since October 2009 corresponds to the end of month Live Register totals. <b>Detailed tables relating to regional and scheme data will continue to be made available on the CSO website through the CSO Main Data Dissemination Service, Database Direct on a bi-annual basis.</b>
<b>Casual and part-time workers</b>	The casual and part-time workers’ figure is based on data supplied by the Department of Social Protection. People may apply for Jobseekers Benefit or Jobseekers Allowance if they only work for part of a week and be included on the Live Register.
<b>Nationality</b>	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.

### New Release Format

From July 2010 the Live Register release has been revised and now contains additional tables. This coincides with the discontinuation of both the *Live Register Additional Tables* and *Live Register Age by Duration* releases.

A table containing Live Register flows information has replaced the net weekly change table. Flows data was compiled by CSO until March 2008 when the series was discontinued. The new table on flows contains data dating back to October 2009. It should be noted that the compilation of flows changed when the Department of Social Protection introduced a new IT system in October 2009 and so there is no data available on Live Register flows between March 2008 and October 2009.

While information on the latest number of casual and part-time workers on the Live Register was previously included on the monthly release since March 2002, a table is now contained in the release providing a time-series with additional monthly change information.

Since October 2009 the Department of Social Protection has provided a classification of the Live Register by occupational groupings. This table is now included in the monthly release and refers to the last held occupation that Live Register claimants report.

Live Register tables classified by region and nationality groupings have been added to the new release, as has a monthly table of duration of continuous registration. **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, Database Direct on the CSO website –**

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