

8 February 2000

## Live Register Flow Analysis

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	New Registrations	Outflow (derived)	Net Change
Men	14,387	13,034	+1,353
Women	11,341	13,071	-1,730
Total	25,728	26,105	-377

### **Outflows exceed New Registrations by 377**

A total of 26,105 persons signed off the Live Register in January 2000. This was offset by 25,728 new claimants, giving a net decrease of 377 in the month. This compares with a monthly decrease of 1,738 in January 1999.

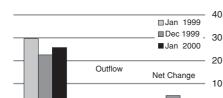
On average the register decreased by 94 persons per week in January 2000, compared with an increase of 950 per week in December 1999. See Table 2.

Other features include:

- On average, the number of men signing on increased by 338 per week in January, whereas the number of women on the Live Register fell by 433 per week. See Table 3.
- The number of new registrations in the Border region was 3,496; the same number of people left the Live Register in that region, so that the total figure for the Border region did not change in the month. See Table 1

The Live Register is not designed to measure unemployment. It includes parttime workers (those who work up to three days a week), seasonal and casual workers entitled to Unemployment Assistance or Benefit. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest figure, for June-August 1999, is 101,100 persons unemployed.

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	Total	New Registrations	Net Change	Outflow (derived)
Border, Midland & Western	57,281	7,841	+ 142	7,699
Border	27,681	3,496	0	3,496
Midland	10,347	1,786	+ 256	1,530
West	19,253	2,559	- 114	2,673
Eastern & Southern	118,881	17,887	- 519	18,406
Dublin	45,088	6,219	- 395	6,614
Mid-East	11,949	2,086	+ 65	2,021
Mid-West	13,690	2,307	+ 74	2,233
South-East	22,751	3,584	- 224	3,808
South-West	25,403	3,691	- 39	3,730
Sex				
Males	102,382	14,387	+ 1,353	13,034
Females	73,780	11,341	- 1,730	13,071
Total	176,162	25,728	- 377	26,105

# Table 1Flows on and off the Live Register in the 4 weeks from<br/>31 December 1999 to 28 January 2000

#### Table 2 Summary of Flows on and off the Live Register and Average Weekly Flow

		Number of weeks	New Registrations (count) mber		Outflow (	Average weekly		
			Number	Weekly average	Number	Weekly average		je in the Register
998	December	4	26,030	6,508	17,452	4,363	+	2,145
999	January	5	29,598	5,920	31,336	6,267	-	347
	February	4	21,117	5,279	27,520	6,880	-	1,601
	March	4	17,983	4,496	24,360	6,090	-	1,594
	April	5	29,002	5,800	33,688	6,738	-	938
	May	4	19,776	4,944	24,094	6,024	-	1,080
	June	4	25,927	6,482	22,638	5,660	+	822
	July	5	31,380	6,276	26,340	5,268	+	1,008
	August	4	19,448	4,862	21,337	5,334	-	472
	September	4	20,270	5,068	32,757	8,189	-	3,122
	October	5	26,764	5,353	35,002	7,000	-	1,648
	November	4	20,289	5,072	26,448	6,612	-	1,540
	December	5	22,561	4,512	17,808	3,562	+	950
2000	January	4	25,728	6,432	26,105	6,526	-	94

Table 3	Summary	of Flows on and	off the Live F	Register classified by Sex
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		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
1998 I	December	4	126,775	13,436	9,616	+ 955	88,977	12,594	7,836	+ 1,190
1999 、	January	5	127,166	15,919	15,528	+ 78	86,848	13,679	15,808	- 426
I	February	4	122,583	11,112	15,695	- 1,146	85,028	10,005	11,825	- 455
I	March	4	118,224	9,749	14,108	- 1,090	83,010	8,234	10,252	- 505
	April	5	115,770	15,181	17,635	- 491	80,778	13,821	16,053	- 446
I	Мау	4	112,719	10,906	13,957	- 763	79,511	8,870	10,137	- 317
	June	4	111,861	12,260	13,118	- 215	83,658	13,667	9,520	+ 1,037
	July	5	112,609	15,361	14,613	+ 150	87,950	16,019	11,727	+ 858
/	August	4	111,249	9,981	11,341	- 340	87,241	9,467	9,996	- 132
5	September	4	106,425	10,397	15,221	- 1,206	79,758	9,873	17,536	- 1,916
(	October	5	101,264	13,301	18,462	- 1,032	76,681	13,463	16,540	- 615
I	November	4	98,704	11,085	13,645	- 640	73,082	9,204	12,803	- 900
I	December	5	101,029	11,809	9,484	+ 465	75,510	10,752	8,324	+ 486
2000 、	January	4	102,382	14,387	13,034	+ 338	73,780	11,341	13,071	- 433

### Background Notes

Source and scope of the Live Register	The Live Register is compiled from returns made directly to the Central Statistics Office by each lo- cal office of the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs. It comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:					
	<ul> <li>All claimants for Unemployment Benefit (UB) excluding systematic short-time workers;</li> <li>Applicants for Unemployment Assistance (UA) excluding smallholders and self-employed persons;</li> <li>Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.</li> </ul>					
Live Register Flow Analysis	Changes in the level of flows on and off the Live Register in any month reflect conditions in the labour market and aspects of the social insurance system such as transfers to or from Disability Benefit, exhaustion of Unemployment Benefit (UB) entitlement without qualifying for Unemployment Assistance (UA) etc.					
New Registrations	The aggregate of <i>new registrations</i> for each Friday in a given month is used in conjunction with the <i>net change</i> over the same period to calculate the <i>outflow</i> from the register. A <i>new registration</i> is defined as anybody on the Live Register on a particular Friday who was not on it on the previous Friday.					
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 Unemployment Assistance or Unemployment Benefit. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey (formerly the annual Labour Force Survey).					
History	The flow analysis of the Live Register has been published monthly as a separate release since January 1989. Similar details were previously included in the Industrial Analysis of the Live Register, which was discontinued.					
Descriptive articles	The compilation basis for the Live Register statistics from May 1992 onwards is described in the September 1992 issue of the <i>Statistical Bulletin</i> . The March 1980 issue contained a description of the basis used up to April 1992 while a more comprehensive treatment of Live Register statistics appeared in the "Report of the Inter-Departmental Study Group on Unemployment Statistics" (Stationery Office Dublin, Prl. 7925, April 1979). The results of a special study of the differences between the Labour Force Survey (LFS) Estimates of Unemployment and the Live Register are contained in the December 1996 issue of the <i>Statistical Bulletin</i> .					