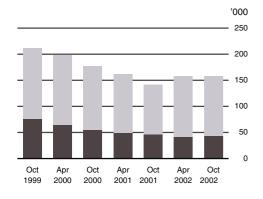


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## Live Register Age by Duration Analysis

	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
October 2001 April 2002	96,100 116,463	45,403 41,029	141,503 157,492
October 2002	114,692	42,973	157,665

#### Six monthly increase in long-term claimants

The increase of 173 in the Live Register in the six months to October 2002 comprised an increase of 1,944 (+4.7%) in long-term claimants and a decrease of 1,771 (-1.5%) for persons signing on for less than one year.

In October 2002, 27.3% of all claimants were long-term which compares to 26.1% in April 2002 and 32.1% in October 2001. *See table 1 and graph.* 

Other features include:

- ♦ Some 31.1% of males and 21.7% of females on the Live Register are long-term claimants. *See table 1*.
- ♦ In the year to October 2002, the number of short-term claimants increased by 18,592 while long-term claimants decreased by 2,430. *See table 1*.
- ♦ In the six months to October 2002, the number of females signing on increased in all age groups with the largest increases occurring in the older age categories, 55 to 59 (+7.7%) and 60 to 64 (+7.4%). Females aged under 20 and those aged between 35 to 44 show the lowest increases at 1.2% and 1.8% respectively. In the same period the number of males signing on decreased in all age categories with the exception of those in the 55 to 59 and 60 to 64 age groups. See table 2.
- ♦ Of all persons making claims for under 1 year the largest percentages are in the 25 to 34 (30.0%) and 35 to 44 (21.9%) age groups while those under 20 years (5.4%) and those aged 60 to 64 (4.3%) have the lowest percentages. See table 5a.
- ♦ For all persons making claims for over 1 year the largest percentages are among the 45 to 54 (27.5%) and 35 to 44 (25.9%) age groups while those aged under 20 years (1.6%) and those aged 60 to 64 (4.8%) show the lowest percentages. See table 5a.
- ♦ Almost 40% (62,083) of all claimants have been on the Live Register for less than three months. Almost 13% (20,364) of all claimants have been registered for 3 years or more. *See table 5b*.

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 Unemployment Assistance or Benefit. Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey and the latest figure for June-August 2002 is 86,700 persons unemployed.

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Table 1 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration

Sex/Duration	April 2000	October 2000	April 2001	October 2001 April 2002		October 2002
Males						
Less than one year	50,554	45,206	49,209	53,472	67,867	64,586
One year or more	41,692	35,138	31,669	30,061	27,736	29,107
Total	92,246	80,344	80,878	83,533	95,603	93,693
Females						
Less than one year	47,953	40,462	42,088	42,628	48,596	50,106
One year or more	21,908	18,904	16,553	15,342	13,293	13,866
Total	69,861	59,366	58,641	57,970	61,889	63,972
All Persons						
Less than one year	98,507	85,668	91,297	96,100	116,463	114,692
One year or more	63,600	54,042	48,222	45,403	41,029	42,973
Total	162,107	139,710	139,519	141,503	157,492	157,665

Table 2 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex and Age

Sex/Age	April 2000	October 2000	April 2001	October 2001	April 2002	October 2002
Males						
Under 20 years	3,169	2,644	2,731	3,067	3,956	3,762
20 - 24 years	11,436	10,002	10,311	11,222	14,093	13,454
25 - 34 years	23,639	20,144	20,557	21,514	26,585	25,774
35 - 44 years	21,778	18,444	18,311	18,495	20,484	20,157
45 - 54 years	21,266	18,543	18,058	18,012	19,206	18,740
55 - 59 years	6,723	6,301	6,472	6,736	6,713	7,012
60 - 64 years	4,235	4,266	4,438	4,487	4,566	4,794
Total	92,246	80,344	80,878	83,533	95,603	93,693
Females						
Under 20 years	2,837	2,380	2,338	2,652	3,109	3,147
20 - 24 years	8,677	7,811	7,377	8,156	8,908	9,526
25 - 34 years	20,337	16,854	16,146	15,984	17,832	18,245
35 - 44 years	18,861	15,759	15,579	15,036	15,823	16,100
45 - 54 years	12,925	10,983	11,171	10,433	10,630	10,942
55 - 59 years	4,039	3,556	3,865	3,611	3,538	3,811
60 - 64 years	2,185	2,023	2,165	2,098	2,049	2,201
Total	69,861	59,366	58,641	57,970	61,889	63,972
All Persons						
Under 20 years	6,006	5,024	5,069	5,719	7,065	6,909
20 - 24 years	20,113	17,813	17,688	19,378	23,001	22,980
25 - 34 years	43,976	36,998	36,703	37,498	44,417	44,019
35 - 44 years	40,639	34,203	33,890	33,531	36,307	36,257
45 - 54 years	34,191	29,526	29,229	28,445	29,836	29,682
55 - 59 years	10,762	9,857	10,337	10,347	10,251	10,823
60 - 64 years	6,420	6,289	6,603	6,585	6,615	6,995
Total	162,107	139,710	139,519	141,503	157,492	157,665

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2002

Sex/Duration	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									
Less than one year	9,481	17,828	4,525	3,788	5,627	7,581	9,222	6,534	64,586
One year or more	5,180	7,240	1,578	1,401	2,127	3,991	4,379	3,211	29,107
Total	14,661	25,068	6,103	5,189	7,754	11,572	13,601	9,745	93,693
Females									
Less than one year	7,293	12,322	3,869	3,369	4,435	6,240	7,330	5,248	50,106
One year or more	2,451	2,859	856	819	1,202	2,199	1,759	1,721	13,866
Total	9,744	15,181	4,725	4,188	5,637	8,439	9,089	6,969	63,972
All Persons									
Less than one year	16,774	30,150	8,394	7,157	10,062	13,821	16,552	11,782	114,692
One year or more	7,631	10,099	2,434	2,220	3,329	6,190	6,138	4,932	42,973
Total	24,405	40,249	10,828	9,377	13,391	20,011	22,690	16,714	157,665

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Age and Sex, October 2002

Sex/Age	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									
Under 20 years	645	1,016	231	238	343	534	436	319	3,762
20 - 24 years	2,152	3,692	890	744	1,139	1,645	1,868	1,324	13,454
25 - 34 years	3,792	7,793	1,719	1,283	2,197	2,940	3,677	2,373	25,774
35 - 44 years	3,258	4,988	1,296	1,130	1,612	2,581	3,013	2,279	20,157
45 - 54 years	3,166	4,221	1,123	1,091	1,502	2,522	2,963	2,152	18,740
55 - 59 years	1,044	1,868	508	421	579	799	999	794	7,012
60 - 64 years	604	1,490	336	282	382	551	645	504	4,794
Total	14,661	25,068	6,103	5,189	7,754	11,572	13,601	9,745	93,693
Females									
Under 20 years	487	806	213	258	290	427	374	292	3,147
20 - 24 years	1,564	2,140	641	639	824	1,251	1,397	1,070	9,526
25 - 34 years	2,789	4,446	1,365	1,128	1,640	2,352	2,686	1,839	18,245
35 - 44 years	2,394	3,499	1,295	1,135	1,488	2,242	2,250	1,797	16,100
45 - 54 years	1,667	2,525	788	710	872	1,500	1,589	1,291	10,942
55 - 59 years	562	1,054	270	207	327	451	518	422	3,811
60 - 64 years	281	711	153	111	196	216	275	258	2,201
Total	9,744	15,181	4,725	4,188	5,637	8,439	9,089	6,969	63,972
All Persons									
Under 20 years	1,132	1,822	444	496	633	961	810	611	6,909
20 - 24 years	3,716	5,832	1,531	1,383	1,963	2,896	3,265	2,394	22,980
25 - 34 years	6,581	12,239	3,084	2,411	3,837	5,292	6,363	4,212	44,019
35 - 44 years	5,652	8,487	2,591	2,265	3,100	4,823	5,263	4,076	36,257
45 - 54 years	4,833	6,746	1,911	1,801	2,374	4,022	4,552	3,443	29,682
55 - 59 years	1,606	2,922	778	628	906	1,250	1,517	1,216	10,823
60 - 64 years	885	2,201	489	393	578	767	920	762	6,995
Total	24,405	40,249	10,828	9,377	13,391	20,011	22,690	16,714	157,665

Table 5a Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2002

	Duration of Contin	nuous Registration	
Sex/Age	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
Males			
Under 20 years	3,365	397	3,762
20 - 24 years	10,927	2,527	13,454
25 - 34 years	19,221	6,553	25,774
35 - 44 years	13,247	6,910	20,157
45 - 54 years	10,153	8,587	18,740
55 - 59 years	4,366	2,646	7,012
60 - 64 years	3,307	1,487	4,794
Total	64,586	29,107	93,693
Females			
Under 20 years	2,845	302	3,147
20 - 24 years	8,095	1,431	9,526
25 - 34 years	15,184	3,061	18,245
35 - 44 years	11,887	4,213	16,100
45 - 54 years	7,707	3,235	10,942
55 - 59 years	2,780	1,031	3,811
60 - 64 years	1,608	593	2,201
Total	50,106	13,866	63,972
All Persons			
Under 20 years	6,210	699	6,909
20 - 24 years	19,022	3,958	22,980
25 - 34 years	34,405	9,614	44,019
35 - 44 years	25,134	11,123	36,257
45 - 54 years	17,860	11,822	29,682
55 - 59 years	7,146	3,677	10,823
60 - 64 years	4,915	2,080	6,995
Total	114,692	42,973	157,665

Table 5b Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration (Detailed), October 2002

	Duration of Continuous Registration								
Sex/Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total		
Males									
Under 20 years	1,824	778	763	384	11	2	3,762		
20 - 24 years	5,914	2,601	2,412	1,432	514	581	13,454		
25 - 34 years	9,645	4,559	5,017	3,008	942	2,603	25,774		
35 - 44 years	6,642	2,853	3,752	2,558	906	3,446	20,157		
45 - 54 years	5,210	2,107	2,836	2,187	888	5,512	18,740		
55 - 59 years	2,144	994	1,228	799	301	1,546	7,012		
60 - 64 years	1,536	759	1,012	593	198	696	4,794		
Total	32,915	14,651	17,020	10,961	3,760	14,386	93,693		
Females									
Under 20 years	1,554	678	613	302	0	0	3,147		
20 - 24 years	4,852	1,848	1,395	825	296	310	9,526		
25 - 34 years	8,691	3,269	3,224	1,572	425	1,064	18,245		
35 - 44 years	6,800	2,467	2,620	1,644	599	1,970	16,100		
45 - 54 years	4,681	1,495	1,531	954	418	1,863	10,942		
55 - 59 years	1,658	537	585	372	141	518	3,811		
60 - 64 years	932	303	373	260	80	253	2,201		
Total	29,168	10,597	10,341	5,929	1,959	5,978	63,972		
All Persons									
Under 20 years	3,378	1,456	1,376	686	11	2	6,909		
20 - 24 years	10,766	4,449	3,807	2,257	810	891	22,980		
25 - 34 years	18,336	7,828	8,241	4,580	1,367	3,667	44,019		
35 - 44 years	13,442	5,320	6,372	4,202	1,505	5,416	36,257		
45 - 54 years	9,891	3,602	4,367	3,141	1,306	7,375	29,682		
55 - 59 years	3,802	1,531	1,813	1,171	442	2,064	10,823		
60 - 64 years	2,468	1,062	1,385	853	278	949	6,995		
Total	62,083	25,248	27,361	16,890	5,719	20,364	157,665		

Table 6a Persons on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2002

Type of Claim		Duration of	Continuous Re	egistration			
and Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	756	305	240	30	0	0	1,331
20 - 24 years	5,322	1,977	1,744	382	3	0	9,428
25 - 34 years	11,502	4,385	4,516	1,259	24	9	21,695
35 - 44 years	8,815	3,007	3,607	1,175	11	4	16,619
45 - 54 years	6,486	2,069	2,430	766	15	2	11,768
55 - 59 years	2,448	920	1,129	328	3	1	4,829
60 - 64 years	1,673	670	907	286	4	0	3,540
Total	37,002	13,333	14,573	4,226	60	16	69,210
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	2,601	1,145	1,135	655	11	2	5,549
20 - 24 years	5,376	2,439	2,040	1,853	806	882	13,396
25 - 34 years	6,479	3,202	3,465	3,065	1,208	3,447	20,866
35 - 44 years	4,017	1,758	2,317	2,339	1,092	4,303	15,826
45 - 54 years	2,882	1,104	1,537	1,895	1,001	6,550	14,969
55 - 59 years	1,026	356	427	569	278	1,741	4,397
60 - 64 years	571	177	225	302	169	751	2,195
Total	22,952	10,181	11,146	10,678	4,565	17,676	77,198
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	21	6	1	1	0	0	29
20 - 24 years	68	33	23	22	1	9	156
25 - 34 years	355	241	260	256	135	211	1,458
35 - 44 years	610	555	448	688	402	1,109	3,812
45 - 54 years	523	429	400	480	290	823	2,945
55 - 59 years	328	255	257	274	161	322	1,597
60 - 64 years	224	215	253	265	105	198	1,260
Total	2,129	1,734	1,642	1,986	1,094	2,672	11,257

Table 6b Number of Males on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2002

Type of Claim		Duration	of Continuous	Registration			
and Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	441	175	138	14	0	0	768
20 - 24 years	2,870	1,154	1,044	233	3	0	5,304
25 - 34 years	5,206	2,241	2,286	600	16	1	10,350
35 - 44 years	3,650	1,431	1,775	596	4	2	7,458
45 - 54 years	3,025	1,134	1,460	505	8	1	6,133
55 - 59 years	1,254	601	767	215	2	0	2,839
60 - 64 years	1,003	480	679	200	2	0	2,364
Total	17,449	7,216	8,149	2,363	35	4	35,216
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,373	601	625	369	11	2	2,981
20 - 24 years	3,030	1,437	1,364	1,197	510	581	8,119
25 - 34 years	4,390	2,298	2,707	2,397	922	2,599	15,313
35 - 44 years	2,928	1,379	1,925	1,915	880	3,396	12,423
45 - 54 years	2,041	859	1,231	1,546	791	5,317	11,785
55 - 59 years	734	277	330	453	225	1,438	3,457
60 - 64 years	409	145	185	252	145	615	1,751
Total	14,905	6,996	8,367	8,129	3,484	13,948	55,829
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	10	2	0	1	0	0	13
20 - 24 years	14	10	4	2	1	0	31
25 - 34 years	49	20	24	11	4	3	111
35 - 44 years	64	43	52	47	22	48	276
45 - 54 years	144	114	145	136	89	194	822
55 - 59 years	156	116	131	131	74	108	716
60 - 64 years	124	134	148	141	51	81	679
Total	561	439	504	469	241	434	2,648

Table 6c Number of Females on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2002

Type of Claim		Duration	of Continuous	Registration			
and Age	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Unemployment Benefit							
Under 20 years	315	130	102	16	0	0	563
20 - 24 years	2,452	823	700	149	0	0	4,124
25 - 34 years	6,296	2,144	2,230	659	8	8	11,345
35 - 44 years	5,165	1,576	1,832	579	7	2	9,161
45 - 54 years	3,461	935	970	261	7	1	5,635
55 - 59 years	1,194	319	362	113	1	1	1,990
60 - 64 years	670	190	228	86	2	0	1,176
Total	19,553	6,117	6,424	1,863	25	12	33,994
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,228	544	510	286	0	0	2,568
20 - 24 years	2,346	1,002	676	656	296	301	5,277
25 - 34 years	2,089	904	758	668	286	848	5,553
35 - 44 years	1,089	379	392	424	212	907	3,403
45 - 54 years	841	245	306	349	210	1,233	3,184
55 - 59 years	292	79	97	116	53	303	940
60 - 64 years	162	32	40	50	24	136	444
Total	8,047	3,185	2,779	2,549	1,081	3,728	21,369
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	11	4	1	0	0	0	16
20 - 24 years	54	23	19	20	0	9	125
25 - 34 years	306	221	236	245	131	208	1,347
35 - 44 years	546	512	396	641	380	1,061	3,536
45 - 54 years	379	315	255	344	201	629	2,123
55 - 59 years	172	139	126	143	87	214	881
60 - 64 years	100	81	105	124	54	117	581
Total	1,568	1,295	1,138	1,517	853	2,238	8,609

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, October 2002

		Durat	ion of Continuo	ous Registration	า		
Regional Authority	Under 3 months	3 - < 6 months	6 - < 12 months	1 - < 2 years	2 - < 3 years	3 years and over	Total
Border							
Males	4,926	2,063	2,492	1,845	656	2,679	14,661
Females	4,399	1,406	1,488	975	366	1,110	9,744
Total	9,325	3,469	3,980	2,820	1,022	3,789	24,405
Dublin							
Males	8,601	4,304	4,923	2,637	887	3,716	25,068
Females	6,801	2,738	2,783	1,324	378	1,157	15,181
Total	15,402	7,042	7,706	3,961	1,265	4,873	40,249
Mid-East							
Males	2,213	1,027	1,285	758	222	598	6,103
Females	2,191	843	835	423	122	311	4,725
Total	4,404	1,870	2,120	1,181	344	909	10,828
Midland							
Males	2,008	860	920	604	211	586	5,189
Females	1,935	764	670	372	113	334	4,188
Total	3,943	1,624	1,590	976	324	920	9,377
Mid-West							
Males	2,884	1,327	1,416	990	299	838	7,754
Females	2,542	996	897	531	177	494	5,637
Total	5,426	2,323	2,313	1,521	476	1,332	13,391
South-East							
Males	3,932	1,668	1,981	1,515	541	1,935	11,572
Females	3,837	1,141	1,262	889	322	988	8,439
Total	7,769	2,809	3,243	2,404	863	2,923	20,011
South-West							
Males	5,015	1,889	2,318	1,496	554	2,329	13,601
Females	4,543	1,432	1,355	781	207	771	9,089
Total	9,558	3,321	3,673	2,277	761	3,100	22,690
West							
Males	3,336	1,513	1,685	1,116	390	1,705	9,745
Females	2,920	1,277	1,051	634	274	813	6,969
Total	6,256	2,790	2,736	1,750	664	2,518	16,714
State							
Males	32,915	14,651	17,020	10,961	3,760	14,386	93,693
Females	29,168	10,597	10,341	5,929	1,959	5,978	63,972
Total	62,083	25,248	27,361	16,890	5,719	20,364	157,665

### **Background Notes**

# Source and scope of the Live Register

Live Register statistics are compiled from returns made directly to the Central Statistics Office by each local office of the Department of Social and Family Affairs. The Live Register comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:

- All Claimants for Unemployment Benefit (UB) excluding systematic short-time workers;
- Applicants for Unemployment Assistance (UA) excluding smallholders and self-employed persons;
- Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute.

The monthly Live Register statistics relate to the situation on the last Friday of the month.

#### Age by Duration Analysis

The current series of half-yearly age by duration analyses of the Live Register was introduced in April 1989. At that time, January and July age analyses which did not cover duration were discontinued and more detailed duration categories were included in the April and October statistics. The age by duration analysis usually relates to the second-last Friday of April and October. The totals in the release are therefore, normally close but not identical to the corresponding end-of-month Live Register totals.

## Descriptive articles

The compilation basis for the Live Register statistics from May 1992 onwards is described in the September 1992 issue of the *Statistical Bulletin*. 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 *Statistical Bulletin*.

## Unemployment statistics

Unemployment is measured by the Quarterly National Household Survey (formerly the annual Labour Force Survey). 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 Unemployment Assistance or Unemployment Benefit.

## 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. *See overleaf*.

#### Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region

**Border** Cavan

Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo

Midland Laoighis

Longford Offaly Westmeath

West Galway City

Galway County

Mayo

Roscommon

#### **Eastern and Southern NUTS2 Region**

**Dublin** Dublin

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