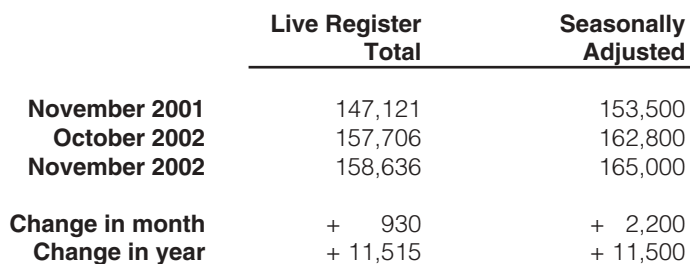




Live Register Analysis

November 2002



The unadjusted Live Register increased by 930 (+0.6%) persons in November to 158,636. This compares to an increase of 5,286 (+3.7%) for November of last year. When seasonal factors are taken into account the seasonally adjusted total increased from 162,800 in October to 165,000 this month, an increase of 2,200. *See table 2a and graph opposite.*

- ◆ The monthly increase of 930 comprised of an increase of 1,292 males and a decrease of 362 females. *See table 1a.*
- ◆ The monthly increase in the Seasonally Adjusted series of 2,200 comprised increases of 1,400 males and 800 females. *See table 2a.*
- ◆ The standardised unemployment rate in November was 4.4%. This compares with 4.2% in April 2002, based on the Quarterly National Household Survey. *See table 3 and background notes.*
- ◆ In the month the estimated number of casual and part-time workers on the Live Register was 7,832 males and 11,837 females. *See 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 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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	November 2002	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Border, Midland and West	50,723	+ 232	+ 1,965
Border	24,553	+ 80	+ 242
Midland	9,397	+ 43	+ 692
West	16,773	+ 109	+ 1,031
Eastern and Southern	107,913	+ 698	+ 9,550
Dublin	39,951	- 261	+ 5,682
Mid-East	10,927	+ 81	+ 1,275
Mid-West	13,615	+ 269	+ 1,451
South-East	20,327	+ 237	+ 310
South-West	23,093	+ 372	+ 832
Total	158,636	+ 930	+ 11,515

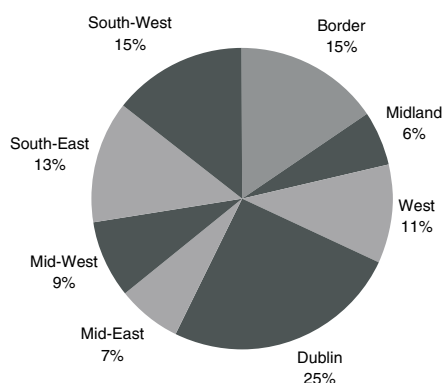
Monthly increases in most regions

The monthly increase of 930 persons on the Live Register reflected increases in all regions with the exception of Dublin. The largest monthly increases were in the Mid-West (+2.0%) and the South-West (+1.6%). The lowest increase was in the Border (+0.3%) while there was a decrease in Dublin (-0.6%).

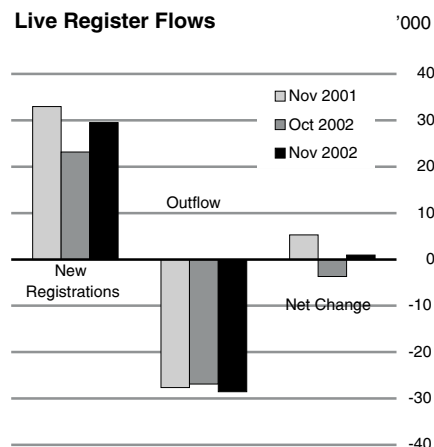
Other area features in the month include:

- ◆ The number of males increased in all regions. The largest increases were in the Mid-West (+3.1%) and West (+2.2%) while the lowest increases were in Dublin (+0.5%) and the Border (+0.8%).
- ◆ The number of females increased in four regions and decreased in another four regions. The largest increase was in the South-West (+2.0%) while the largest decrease was in Dublin (-2.6%).
- ◆ There were increases in most counties. The largest increases were in Clare (+8.5%) and Kerry (+6.5%) while the largest decreases were in Meath (-4.2%) and Westmeath (-1.0%). *See tables 4 and 6.*

Live Register by Regional Authority



Live Register Flows



	New Registrations	Outflow (derived)	Net Change
Males	16,591	15,299	+ 1,292
Females	12,915	13,277	- 362
Total	29,506	28,576	+ 930

New registrations exceed outflows

A total of 29,506 persons joined the Live Register in November 2002. With 28,576 persons leaving the Register there is a net increase of 930 persons in the month.

Other features of the flows on and off the Register include:

- ◆ The average weekly increase of 186 in the Live Register was comprised of an increase of 258 males and a decrease of 72 females. *See tables 8 and 9.*
- ◆ In the month there were weekly averages of 5,901 new claimants joining the Register and 5,715 persons leaving. *See table 8.*

Table 1a Total persons on the Live Register

Category	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
UB Claims	33,028	35,295	35,853	+ 558	+ 2,825
UA Applications	52,546	55,884	56,542	+ 658	+ 3,996
Other Registrants	2,529	2,650	2,726	+ 76	+ 197
Total	88,103	93,829	95,121	+ 1,292	+ 7,018
Females					
UB Claims	30,078	33,997	33,889	- 108	+ 3,811
UA Applications	20,086	21,262	21,063	- 199	+ 977
Other Registrants	8,854	8,618	8,563	- 55	- 291
Total	59,018	63,877	63,515	- 362	+ 4,497
All Persons					
UB Claims	63,106	69,292	69,742	+ 450	+ 6,636
UA Applications	72,632	77,146	77,605	+ 459	+ 4,973
Other Registrants	11,383	11,268	11,289	+ 21	- 94
Total	147,121	157,706	158,636	+ 930	+ 11,515

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

Category	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
UB Claims	5,585	6,048	6,092	+ 44	+ 507
UA Applications	9,968	11,070	11,153	+ 83	+ 1,185
Other Registrants	53	40	39	- 1	- 14
Total	15,606	17,158	17,284	+ 126	+ 1,678
Females					
UB Claims	3,808	4,606	4,469	- 137	+ 661
UA Applications	7,120	7,765	7,640	- 125	+ 520
Other Registrants	101	106	108	+ 2	+ 7
Total	11,029	12,477	12,217	- 260	+ 1,188
All Persons					
UB Claims	9,393	10,654	10,561	- 93	+ 1,168
UA Applications	17,088	18,835	18,793	- 42	+ 1,705
Other Registrants	154	146	147	+ 1	- 7
Total	26,635	29,635	29,501	- 134	+ 2,866

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

Category	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Monthly change	Annual change
Males					
UB Claims	27,443	29,247	29,761	+ 514	+ 2,318
UA Applications	42,578	44,814	45,389	+ 575	+ 2,811
Other Registrants	2,476	2,610	2,687	+ 77	+ 211
Total	72,497	76,671	77,837	+ 1,166	+ 5,340
Females					
UB Claims	26,270	29,391	29,420	+ 29	+ 3,150
UA Applications	12,966	13,497	13,423	- 74	+ 457
Other Registrants	8,753	8,512	8,455	- 57	- 298
Total	47,989	51,400	51,298	- 102	+ 3,309
All Persons					
UB Claims	53,713	58,638	59,181	+ 543	+ 5,468
UA Applications	55,544	58,311	58,812	+ 501	+ 3,268
Other Registrants	11,229	11,122	11,142	+ 20	- 87
Total	120,486	128,071	129,135	+ 1,064	+ 8,649

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2000	November	79,300	57,700	137,000	82,400	61,000	143,400
	December	82,000	59,600	141,600	80,500	59,300	139,900
2001	January	83,300	58,800	142,100	79,400	59,000	138,400
	February	81,200	58,300	139,500	78,800	58,700	137,500
	March	79,900	55,900	135,900	80,000	57,800	137,700
	April	80,100	56,500	136,600	80,600	58,500	139,100
	May	78,700	55,000	133,700	81,200	58,700	139,900
	June	80,400	60,500	140,900	81,200	58,800	140,000
	July	82,600	64,500	147,100	81,400	58,600	140,000
	August	84,300	65,200	149,400	82,400	58,800	141,200
	September	82,200	58,300	140,600	83,000	58,900	141,900
	October	83,900	57,900	141,800	86,800	60,100	146,900
	November	88,100	59,000	147,100	91,100	62,400	153,500
	December	91,400	61,000	152,400	91,100 ²	61,600 ²	152,700 ²
2002	January	96,600	63,300	160,000	92,800	63,600	156,400
	February	98,200	64,100	162,300	95,800	64,400	160,200
	March	97,200	65,100	162,300	97,200	66,900	164,000
	April	94,800	61,500	156,200	95,300	63,400	158,700
	May	93,400	61,600	154,900	95,900	65,200	161,100
	June	95,800	68,500	164,300	96,600	66,800	163,400
	July	98,000	74,100	172,100	96,900	68,200	165,000
	August	98,800	74,800	173,600	96,900	68,400	165,300
	September	95,300	66,100	161,400	96,100	66,800	162,900
	October	93,800	63,900	157,700	96,700	66,100	162,800
	November	95,100	63,500	158,600	98,100	66,900	165,000

¹ Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2002 (See Background Notes).² Based on estimated data for December 2001.**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	Total	Males	Females	Total
2000	November	12,400	9,700	22,000	13,500	10,600	24,100
	December	12,900	9,500	22,400	13,100	10,200	23,300
2001	January	13,600	10,000	23,600	12,800	10,100	22,900
	February	13,300	10,000	23,200	12,800	10,100	22,800
	March	12,900	9,600	22,500	13,000	10,100	23,100
	April	13,000	9,600	22,600	13,300	10,400	23,700
	May	12,800	9,500	22,300	13,700	10,400	24,000
	June	13,700	11,000	24,700	13,600	10,300	23,900
	July	14,600	11,800	26,500	13,700	10,300	24,000
	August	15,100	12,100	27,200	14,000	10,400	24,400
	September	14,400	11,000	25,400	14,200	10,600	24,800
	October	14,600	10,900	25,400	15,500	11,300	26,800
	November	15,600	11,000	26,600	16,700	11,900	28,600
	December	16,400	11,100	27,500	16,800 ²	11,900 ²	28,700 ²
2002	January	18,200	12,300	30,500	17,500	12,300	29,800
	February	18,900	12,600	31,400	18,300	12,700	31,000
	March	18,500	12,300	30,800	18,500	12,900	31,400
	April	17,800	11,800	29,600	18,100	12,600	30,700
	May	17,300	11,800	29,100	18,000	12,700	30,700
	June	18,000	13,400	31,400	18,000	12,700	30,700
	July	19,000	14,700	33,700	18,100	13,100	31,200
	August	19,000	15,000	34,000	18,000	13,200	31,200
	September	17,900	13,600	31,400	17,700	13,100	30,900
	October	17,200	12,500	29,600	18,100	12,900	31,000
	November	17,300	12,200	29,500	18,400	13,100	31,500

¹ Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2002 (See Background Notes).² Based on estimated data for December 2001.

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

	Month	Unadjusted Series			Seasonally Adjusted Series ¹		
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2000	November	66,900	48,000	114,900	68,900	50,400	119,300
	December	69,100	50,000	119,100	67,400	49,100	116,500
2001	January	69,700	48,800	118,500	66,600	49,000	115,600
	February	67,900	48,400	116,300	66,000	48,600	114,600
	March	67,000	46,400	113,400	67,000	47,600	114,600
	April	67,100	46,900	114,000	67,300	48,100	115,400
	May	65,800	45,600	111,400	67,600	48,300	115,900
	June	66,700	49,500	116,200	67,700	48,500	116,100
	July	67,900	52,700	120,600	67,700	48,400	116,000
	August	69,200	53,000	122,200	68,400	48,500	116,800
	September	67,800	47,300	115,100	68,800	48,300	117,100
	October	69,300	47,100	116,400	71,300	48,800	120,000
	November	72,500	48,000	120,500	74,400	50,400	124,900
	December	75,000	49,900	124,900	74,300 ²	49,700 ²	123,900 ²
2002	January	78,400	51,100	129,500	75,300	51,300	126,600
	February	79,400	51,600	130,900	77,500	51,700	129,200
	March	78,700	52,800	131,500	78,600	54,000	132,600
	April	76,900	49,700	126,600	77,100	50,900	128,000
	May	76,100	49,800	125,900	77,800	52,500	130,400
	June	77,700	55,100	132,900	78,600	54,100	132,700
	July	79,000	59,400	138,400	78,800	55,000	133,800
	August	79,700	59,800	139,600	78,900	55,200	134,100
	September	77,400	52,600	130,000	78,400	53,600	132,000
	October	76,700	51,400	128,100	78,600	53,100	131,800
	November	77,800	51,300	129,100	79,800	53,800	133,500

¹ Based on seasonal patterns up to June 2002 (See Background Notes).

² Based on estimated data for December 2001.

Table 3 Seasonally Adjusted Standardised Unemployment Rates¹

Month	1997 ³	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002 ⁴
	%	%	%	%	%	%
January	10.7	8.5	6.3	4.6	3.6	4.2
February	10.6	8.2	6.1	4.5	3.6	4.3
March	10.5	8.0	5.9	4.4	3.6	4.4
April ²	10.3	7.8	5.7	4.3	3.7	4.2
May	10.1	7.6	5.7	4.2	3.7	4.3
June	9.9	7.5	5.5	4.1	3.7	4.4
July	9.7	7.3	5.4	4.0	3.7	4.4
August	9.5	7.1	5.3	4.0	3.7	4.4
September	9.3	6.9	5.2	3.8	3.8	4.3
October	9.1	6.7	5.0	3.8	3.9	4.3
November	8.9	6.6	4.9	3.8	4.1	4.4
December	8.7	6.5	4.7	3.7	4.1 ⁵	
Annual average	9.8	7.4	5.5	4.1	3.8	

¹ Table contains revised figures.

² Benchmark Labour Force Survey/Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS) estimates.

³ Interpolated data for May 1996 to March 1997 (see Background Notes).

⁴ The latest QNHS estimate of the unemployment rate (unadjusted for seasonality) is: June - August 2002, 4.6%.

⁵ Based on estimated data for December 2001.

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register by Region

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions ¹	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Males							
Border, Midland & Western	28,757	29,654	30,083	+ 429	+ 1,326	5,432	24,651
Border	14,474	14,711	14,827	+	116	2,790	12,037
Midland	4,908	5,206	5,308	+	102	996	4,312
West	9,375	9,737	9,948	+	211	1,646	8,302
Eastern & Southern	59,346	64,175	65,038	+ 863	+ 5,692	11,852	53,186
Dublin	21,381	24,994	25,129	+	135	4,668	20,461
Mid-East	5,555	6,135	6,215	+	80	1,101	5,114
Mid-West	7,182	7,737	7,979	+	242	1,511	6,468
South-East	11,742	11,658	11,870	+	212	2,262	9,608
South-West	13,486	13,651	13,845	+	194	2,310	11,535
Total	88,103	93,829	95,121	+ 1,292	+ 7,018	17,284	77,837
Females							
Border, Midland & Western	20,001	20,837	20,640	- 197	+ 639	4,094	16,546
Border	9,837	9,762	9,726	-	36	1,965	7,761
Midland	3,797	4,148	4,089	-	59	850	3,239
West	6,367	6,927	6,825	-	102	1,279	5,546
Eastern & Southern	39,017	43,040	42,875	- 165	+ 3,858	8,123	34,752
Dublin	12,888	15,218	14,822	-	396	2,793	12,029
Mid-East	4,097	4,711	4,712	+	1	859	3,853
Mid-West	4,982	5,609	5,636	+	27	1,054	4,582
South-East	8,275	8,432	8,457	+	25	1,716	6,741
South-West	8,775	9,070	9,248	+	178	1,701	7,547
Total	59,018	63,877	63,515	- 362	+ 4,497	12,217	51,298
All Persons							
Border, Midland & Western	48,758	50,491	50,723	+ 232	+ 1,965	9,526	41,197
Border	24,311	24,473	24,553	+	80	4,755	19,798
Midland	8,705	9,354	9,397	+	43	1,846	7,551
West	15,742	16,664	16,773	+	109	2,925	13,848
Eastern & Southern	98,363	107,215	107,913	+ 698	+ 9,550	19,975	87,938
Dublin	34,269	40,212	39,951	-	261	7,461	32,490
Mid-East	9,652	10,846	10,927	+	81	1,960	8,967
Mid-West	12,164	13,346	13,615	+	269	2,565	11,050
South-East	20,017	20,090	20,327	+	237	3,978	16,349
South-West	22,261	22,721	23,093	+	372	4,011	19,082
Total	147,121	157,706	158,636	+ 930	+ 11,515	29,501	129,135

¹ The composition of the regions is described in the background notes.

Table 5 Persons on the Live Register classified by Province

Provinces	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Monthly change	Annual change	Under 25 years	25 years & over
Provinces							
Leinster	69,735	78,578	78,551	-	27	14,798	63,753
Munster	44,253	45,223	45,981	+	758	8,402	37,579
Connacht	19,109	20,167	20,286	+	119	3,539	16,747
Ulster	14,024	13,738	13,818	+	80	2,762	11,056
Total	147,121	157,706	158,636	+ 930	+ 11,515	29,501	129,135

Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Males			Females		
				Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Border, Midland and Western	48,758	50,491	50,723	5,432	24,651	30,083	4,094	16,546	20,640
Border	24,311	24,473	24,553	2,790	12,037	14,827	1,965	7,761	9,726
Cavan	1,802	1,974	1,963	197	1,006	1,203	136	624	760
Belturbet	379	393	414	34	219	253	28	133	161
Cavan	1,423	1,581	1,549	163	787	950	108	491	599
Donegal	9,549	9,355	9,418	1,116	4,699	5,815	842	2,761	3,603
Ballybofey	1,007	950	974	135	487	622	84	268	352
Ballyshannon	560	525	562	59	270	329	69	164	233
Buncrana	1,751	1,725	1,670	177	774	951	209	510	719
Donegal	550	515	535	60	251	311	40	184	224
Dunfanaghy	941	913	996	130	493	623	61	312	373
Dungloe	1,553	1,461	1,484	134	770	904	70	510	580
Killybegs	860	875	776	71	410	481	48	247	295
Letterkenny	2,327	2,391	2,421	350	1,244	1,594	261	566	827
Leitrim	1,082	1,218	1,212	81	604	685	80	447	527
Carrick-on-Shannon	842	929	925	63	454	517	63	345	408
Manorhamilton	240	289	287	18	150	168	17	102	119
Louth	6,920	7,232	7,222	825	3,438	4,263	554	2,405	2,959
Ardee	701	790	761	95	333	428	67	266	333
Drogheda	2,707	2,948	2,963	304	1,358	1,662	211	1,090	1,301
Dundalk	3,512	3,494	3,498	426	1,747	2,173	276	1,049	1,325
Monaghan	2,673	2,409	2,437	292	1,188	1,480	179	778	957
Carrickmacross	747	725	716	61	341	402	51	263	314
Castleblayney	826	696	724	82	356	438	60	226	286
Clones	283	260	276	40	148	188	15	73	88
Monaghan	817	728	721	109	343	452	53	216	269
Sligo	2,285	2,285	2,301	279	1,102	1,381	174	746	920
Sligo	1,887	1,920	1,960	244	930	1,174	157	629	786
Tubbercurry	398	365	341	35	172	207	17	117	134
Midland	8,705	9,354	9,397	996	4,312	5,308	850	3,239	4,089
Laoighis	1,800	1,909	1,948	226	883	1,109	188	651	839
Portarlington	628	662	682	65	274	339	68	275	343
Portlaoise	852	891	903	121	428	549	84	270	354
Rathdowney	320	356	363	40	181	221	36	106	142
Longford	1,648	1,752	1,751	207	842	1,049	143	559	702
Longford	1,648	1,752	1,751	207	842	1,049	143	559	702
Offaly	2,362	2,478	2,515	243	1,176	1,419	228	868	1,096
Birr	737	784	761	76	344	420	88	253	341
Edenderry	625	620	631	56	289	345	62	224	286
Tullamore	1,000	1,074	1,123	111	543	654	78	391	469
Westmeath	2,895	3,215	3,183	320	1,411	1,731	291	1,161	1,452
Athlone	1,217	1,476	1,429	155	631	786	120	523	643
Castlepollard	230	228	236	14	101	115	23	98	121
Mullingar	1,448	1,511	1,518	151	679	830	148	540	688
West	15,742	16,664	16,773	1,646	8,302	9,948	1,279	5,546	6,825
Galway	8,512	9,236	9,281	1,011	4,488	5,499	809	2,973	3,782
Ballinasloe	884	941	1,007	109	526	635	80	292	372
Clifden	781	690	799	71	464	535	45	219	264
Galway	4,653	5,284	5,174	657	2,393	3,050	543	1,581	2,124
Gort	376	408	441	28	175	203	17	221	238
Loughrea	658	716	693	56	332	388	48	257	305
Tuam	1,160	1,197	1,167	90	598	688	76	403	479

Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

-continued				Males			Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
Mayo	5,845	5,990	6,057	527	3,080	3,607	362	2,088	2,450
Achill	271	305	321	23	198	221	19	81	100
Ballina	1,802	1,778	1,808	167	959	1,126	119	563	682
Ballinrobe	392	380	396	34	208	242	14	140	154
Belmullet	803	740	729	60	395	455	36	238	274
Castlebar	837	953	907	94	414	508	79	320	399
Claremorris	479	480	479	28	215	243	19	217	236
Swinford	756	776	800	85	355	440	45	315	360
Westport	505	578	617	36	336	372	31	214	245
Roscommon	1,385	1,438	1,435	108	734	842	108	485	593
Boyle	373	360	379	22	205	227	15	137	152
Castlerea	729	704	694	50	353	403	61	230	291
Roscommon	283	374	362	36	176	212	32	118	150
Eastern and Southern	98,363	107,215	107,913	11,852	53,186	65,038	8,123	34,752	42,875
Dublin	34,269	40,212	39,951	4,668	20,461	25,129	2,793	12,029	14,822
Dublin	34,269	40,212	39,951	4,668	20,461	25,129	2,793	12,029	14,822
Gardiner Street	2,724	3,251	3,268	463	1,655	2,118	257	893	1,150
Bishop Square	3,333	3,891	3,869 ¹	392	2,154	2,546	256	1,067	1,323
Cumberland Street	4,585	4,755	4,725	499	2,469	2,968	322	1,435	1,757
Navan Road	4,792	2,695	2,698	296	1,509	1,805	189	704	893
Blanchardstown	*	2,863	2,871 ²	345	1,267	1,612	236	1,023	1,259
Thomas Street	1,858	2,181	2,241	245	1,329	1,574	160	507	667
Tara Street	1,236	1,384	1,375	134	762	896	57	422	479
Tallaght	2,785	3,062	3,027	579	1,410	1,989	305	733	1,038
Ballymun	1,255	1,418	1,421	237	711	948	157	316	473
Clondalkin	1,495	2,560	2,473	313	1,181	1,494	203	776	979
Rathfarnham	1,599	1,888	1,890	144	952	1,096	83	711	794
Kilbarrack	2,429	2,780	2,763	263	1,412	1,675	148	940	1,088
Dun Laoghaire	2,700	3,232	3,162	232	1,562	1,794	114	1,254	1,368
Balbriggan	1,025	1,221	1,183	93	536	629	71	483	554
Ballyfermot	860	1,033	1,027	138	571	709	87	231	318
Finglas	1,593	1,998	1,958	295	981	1,276	148	534	682
Mid-East	9,652	10,846	10,927	1,101	5,114	6,215	859	3,853	4,712
Kildare	3,536	3,975	4,061	407	1,790	2,197	362	1,502	1,864
Athy	607	770	770	101	384	485	86	199	285
Maynooth	1,029	1,153	1,191	105	496	601	96	494	590
Newbridge	1,900	2,052	2,100	201	910	1,111	180	809	989
Meath	2,459	2,854	2,734	241	1,270	1,511	210	1,013	1,223
Kells	397	475	475	37	241	278	22	175	197
Navan	1,508	1,719	1,604	140	750	890	128	586	714
Trim	554	660	655	64	279	343	60	252	312
Wicklow	3,657	4,017	4,132	453	2,054	2,507	287	1,338	1,625
Arklow	1,007	1,026	1,154	126	612	738	90	326	416
Baltinglass	380	388	389	33	161	194	32	163	195
Bray	1,578	1,799	1,767	183	873	1,056	97	614	711
Wicklow	692	804	822	111	408	519	68	235	303
Mid-West	12,164	13,346	13,615	1,511	6,468	7,979	1,054	4,582	5,636
Clare	3,374	3,402	3,692	364	1,711	2,075	256	1,361	1,617
Ennis	1,901	2,031	2,136	228	967	1,195	158	783	941
Ennistymon	626	519	615	56	268	324	40	251	291
Kilrush	541	511	559	63	288	351	30	178	208
Tulla	306	341	382	17	188	205	28	149	177
Limerick	6,735	7,784	7,714	902	3,732	4,634	618	2,462	3,080
Kilmallock	736	789	806	74	417	491	62	253	315
Limerick	5,219	6,157	6,088	777	2,895	3,672	480	1,936	2,416
Newcastle West	780	838	820	51	420	471	76	273	349

¹ Bishop Square replaces previous offices Werburgh Street and Victoria Street with effect from March 2002.² Previous figures for the Blanchardstown Office were included in the Navan Road figures.

Table 6 Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age Group and Local Office of Registration

-continued				Males			Females		
NUTS2 and NUTS3 Regions/County/ Local Office	November 2001	October 2002	November 2002	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total	Under 25 years	25 years & over	Total
North Tipperary	2,055	2,160	2,209	245	1,025	1,270	180	759	939
Nenagh	653	804	837	77	393	470	63	304	367
Roscrea	357	382	384	37	177	214	28	142	170
Thurles	1,045	974	988	131	455	586	89	313	402
South-East	20,017	20,090	20,327	2,262	9,608	11,870	1,716	6,741	8,457
Carlow	1,925	1,977	1,978	220	885	1,105	186	687	873
Bagenalstown	442	493	487	39	258	297	38	152	190
Carlow	1,094	1,101	1,083	136	456	592	110	381	491
Tullow	389	383	408	45	171	216	38	154	192
Kilkenny	2,243	2,315	2,335	296	1,180	1,476	178	681	859
Callan	324	313	318	35	183	218	18	82	100
Kilkenny	1,500	1,544	1,586	211	794	1,005	132	449	581
Thomastown	419	458	431	50	203	253	28	150	178
South Tipperary	3,292	3,486	3,552	445	1,749	2,194	304	1,054	1,358
Cahir	432	454	478	44	238	282	42	154	196
Carrick-on-Suir	928	946	951	103	513	616	67	268	335
Cashel	316	347	354	42	163	205	31	118	149
Clonmel	1,038	1,123	1,126	169	535	704	107	315	422
Tipperary	578	616	643	87	300	387	57	199	256
Waterford	6,536	5,670	5,721	646	2,716	3,362	431	1,928	2,359
Dungarvan	1,275	909	932	77	445	522	71	339	410
Waterford	5,261	4,761	4,789	569	2,271	2,840	360	1,589	1,949
Wexford	6,021	6,642	6,741	655	3,078	3,733	617	2,391	3,008
Enniscorthy	1,596	1,639	1,634	202	766	968	176	490	666
Gorey	932	1,079	1,145	100	529	629	102	414	516
New Ross	1,167	1,275	1,277	118	580	698	118	461	579
Wexford	2,326	2,649	2,685	235	1,203	1,438	221	1,026	1,247
South-West	22,261	22,721	23,093	2,310	11,535	13,845	1,701	7,547	9,248
Cork	16,368	16,806	16,795	1,721	8,481	10,202	1,238	5,355	6,593
Bandon	525	544	514	47	246	293	33	188	221
Bantry	354	357	382	16	176	192	12	178	190
Bantry (SWLO)	164	183	198	6	87	93	13	92	105
Clonakilty	356	398	396	30	172	202	27	167	194
Cobh	438	445	478	72	250	322	33	123	156
Cork	8,611	8,761	8,469	1,030	4,640	5,670	676	2,123	2,799
Dunmanway	205	212	232	15	95	110	21	101	122
Fermoy	749	741	796	73	403	476	58	262	320
Kinsale	653	626	661	36	288	324	46	291	337
Macroom	571	566	583	20	249	269	34	280	314
Mallow	713	770	781	98	405	503	66	212	278
Midleton	879	953	1,003	91	429	520	87	396	483
Newmarket	435	490	485	43	227	270	28	187	215
Passage West	658	797	796	71	363	434	42	320	362
Skibbereen	405	364	392	18	154	172	14	206	220
Youghal	652	599	629	55	297	352	48	229	277
Kerry	5,893	5,915	6,298	589	3,054	3,643	463	2,192	2,655
Cahiriveen	395	514	392	15	178	193	28	171	199
Dingle	278	212	305	19	140	159	15	131	146
Kenmare	230	156	185	9	67	76	8	101	109
Killarney	1,045	898	1,159	96	452	548	99	512	611
Killorglin	450	387	457	23	222	245	26	186	212
Listowel	935	954	1,029	114	549	663	88	278	366
Tralee	2,560	2,794	2,771	313	1,446	1,759	199	813	1,012
State	147,121	157,706	158,636	17,284	77,837	95,121	12,217	51,298	63,515

**Table 7 Flows on and off the Live Register in the 5 weeks from
25 October 2002 to 29 November 2002**

	Total	New Registrations	Net Change	Outflow (derived)
Border, Midland & Western	50,723	8,961	+ 232	8,729
Border	24,553	3,846	+ 80	3,766
Midland	9,397	1,830	+ 43	1,787
West	16,773	3,285	+ 109	3,176
Eastern & Southern	107,913	20,545	+ 698	19,847
Dublin	39,951	7,333	- 261	7,594
Mid-East	10,927	2,110	+ 81	2,029
Mid-West	13,615	2,867	+ 269	2,598
South-East	20,327	3,426	+ 237	3,189
South-West	23,093	4,809	+ 372	4,437
Sex				
Males	95,121	16,591	+ 1,292	15,299
Females	63,515	12,915	- 362	13,277
Total	158,636	29,506	+ 930	28,576

Table 8 Summary of Flows on and off the Live Register and Average Weekly Flow

		Number of weeks	New Registrations (count)		Outflow (derived)		Average weekly change in the Live Register	
			Number	Weekly average	Number	Weekly average		
2000	November	4	19,685	4,921	21,912	5,478	-	557
	December	5	21,494	4,299	16,870	3,374	+	925
2001	January	4	22,001	5,500	21,516	5,379	+	121
	February	4	18,740	4,685	21,296	5,324	-	639
	March	5	21,971	4,394	25,601	5,120	-	726
	April	4	21,584	5,396	20,908	5,227	+	169
	May	4	17,324	4,331	20,194	5,049	-	718
	June	5	28,982	5,796	21,808	4,362	+	1,435
	July	4	23,354	5,839	17,118	4,280	+	1,559
	August	5	24,272	4,854	21,934	4,387	+	468
	September	4	19,341	4,835	28,230	7,058	-	2,222
	October	4	26,253	6,563	24,968	6,242	+	321
	November	5	32,936	6,587	27,650	5,530	+	1,057
	December	3	19,527	6,509	14,242	4,747	+	1,762
2002	January	5	31,817	6,363	24,263	4,853	+	1,511
	February	4	25,468	6,367	23,091	5,773	+	594
	March	5	29,785	5,957	29,870	5,974	-	17
	April	4	20,108	5,027	26,123	6,531	-	1,504
	May	5	25,082	5,016	26,375	5,275	-	259
	June	4	27,530	6,883	18,197	4,549	+	2,333
	July	4	26,633	6,658	18,812	4,703	+	1,955
	August	5	25,540	5,108	24,075	4,815	+	293
	September	4	21,098	5,275	33,229	8,307	-	3,033
	October	4	23,160	5,790	26,886	6,722	-	932
	November	5	29,506	5,901	28,576	5,715	+	186

Table 9 Summary of Flows on and off the Live Register classified by Sex

		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
2000	November	4	79,308	10,500	11,229	- 182	57,654	9,185	10,683	- 375
	December	5	82,017	11,877	9,168	+ 542	59,569	9,617	7,702	+ 383
2001	January	4	83,260	11,971	10,728	+ 311	58,811	10,030	10,788	- 190
	February	4	81,172	10,148	12,236	- 522	58,343	8,592	9,060	- 117
	March	5	79,943	12,878	14,107	- 246	55,942	9,093	11,494	- 480
	April	4	80,104	10,975	10,814	+ 40	56,457	10,609	10,094	+ 129
	May	4	78,660	9,828	11,272	- 361	55,031	7,496	8,922	- 357
	June	5	80,355	14,056	12,361	+ 339	60,510	14,926	9,447	+ 1,096
	July	4	82,567	11,677	9,465	+ 553	64,534	11,677	7,653	+ 1,006
	August	5	84,282	13,303	11,588	+ 343	65,157	10,969	10,346	+ 125
	September	4	82,227	10,675	12,730	- 514	58,323	8,666	15,500	- 1,709
	October	4	83,894	15,411	13,744	+ 417	57,941	10,842	11,224	- 96
	November	5	88,103	19,170	14,961	+ 842	59,018	13,766	12,689	+ 215
	December	3	91,394	11,237	7,946	+ 1,097	61,012	8,290	6,296	+ 665
2002	January	5	96,623	17,938	12,709	+ 1,046	63,337	13,879	11,554	+ 465
	February	4	98,215	14,912	13,320	+ 398	64,122	10,556	9,771	+ 196
	March	5	97,183	16,518	17,550	- 206	65,069	13,267	12,320	+ 189
	April	4	94,778	11,351	13,756	- 601	61,459	8,757	12,367	- 903
	May	5	93,356	14,356	15,778	- 284	61,588	10,726	10,597	+ 26
	June	4	95,765	13,087	10,678	+ 602	68,512	14,443	7,519	+ 1,731
	July	4	98,006	13,099	10,858	+ 560	74,092	13,534	7,954	+ 1,395
	August	5	98,771	14,085	13,320	+ 153	74,792	11,455	10,755	+ 140
	September	4	95,289	11,521	15,003	- 871	66,143	9,577	18,226	- 2,162
	October	4	93,829	13,201	14,661	- 365	63,877	9,959	12,225	- 567
	November	5	95,121	16,591	15,299	+ 258	63,515	12,915	13,277	- 72

Table 10 Persons working on systematic short-time basis excluded from the Live Register

	Month	Males	Females	Total
2000	November	849	1,618	2,467
	December	1,027	1,599	2,626
2001	January	1,262	1,711	2,973
	February	1,263	1,816	3,079
	March	1,103	1,751	2,854
	April	1,094	1,724	2,818
	May	1,102	1,736	2,838
	June	941	1,707	2,648
	July	862	1,734	2,596
	August	1,135	1,880	3,015
	September	1,033	1,870	2,903
	October	1,061	1,857	2,918
	November	1,229	2,077	3,306
	December	1,390	2,046	3,436
2002	January	1,476	2,132	3,608
	February	1,516	2,062	3,578
	March	1,504	2,098	3,602
	April	1,472	1,974	3,446
	May	1,550	1,785	3,335
	June	1,474	1,580	3,054
	July	1,444	1,632	3,076
	August	1,195	1,590	2,785
	September	1,093	1,630	2,723
	October	1,227	1,773	3,000
	November	1,104	1,650	2,754

Table 11 Smallholders/Farm Assists and Self-Employed Persons applying for Unemployment Assistance and Other Registrants excluded from the Live Register

	Month	Smallholders/ Farm Assists ¹	Self-Employed	Others	Total
2000	November	8,058	1,767	689	10,514
	December	8,094	1,765	726	10,585
2001	January	8,112	1,717	683	10,512
	February	8,127	1,691	659	10,477
	March	8,212	1,669	661	10,542
	April	8,439	1,637	659	10,735
	May	8,509	1,614	642	10,765
	June	8,551	1,584	666	10,801
	July	8,552	1,548	710	10,810
	August	8,538	1,544	718	10,800
	September	8,540	1,529	661	10,730
	October	8,524	1,520	688	10,732
	November	8,513	1,523	685	10,721
	December	8,514	1,536	715	10,765
2002	January	8,521	1,522	758	10,801
	February	8,537	1,542	792	10,871
	March	8,536	1,545	785	10,866
	April	8,558	1,558	767	10,883
	May	8,561	1,541	764	10,866
	June	8,513	1,533	795	10,841
	July	8,513	1,566	855	10,934
	August	8,566	1,561	861	10,988
	September	8,607	1,553	830	10,990
	October	8,719	1,546	850	11,115
	November	8,732	1,544	870	11,146

¹ Farm Assist Scheme was introduced in April 1999.

Table 12 Persons Under 65 Years, other than Smallholders/Farm Assists, on the Pre-Retirement Allowance Scheme (PRETA) or on the Pre-Retirement Credits Scheme (PRECS), excluded from the Live Register

	Month	PRETA	PRECS	Total	Males	Females
2000	November	12,652	7,624	20,276	14,777	5,499
	December	12,521	7,660	20,181	14,682	5,499
2001	January	12,470	7,736	20,206	14,654	5,552
	February	12,496	7,925	20,421	14,714	5,707
	March	12,527	7,845	20,372	14,739	5,633
	April	12,496	7,756	20,252	14,617	5,635
	May	12,436	7,791	20,227	14,560	5,667
	June	12,371	7,848	20,219	14,547	5,672
	July	12,299	7,851	20,150	14,492	5,658
	August	12,182	7,901	20,083	14,414	5,669
	September	12,104	7,875	19,979	14,343	5,636
	October	12,006	7,904	19,910	14,270	5,640
	November	11,954	8,007	19,961	14,013	5,948
	December	11,860	8,040	19,900	14,226	5,674
2002	January	11,758	7,981	19,739	14,102	5,637
	February	11,742	7,934	19,676	14,059	5,617
	March	11,685	7,879	19,564	14,001	5,563
	April	11,666	7,823	19,489	13,923	5,566
	May	11,616	7,688	19,304	13,780	5,524
	June	11,538	7,696	19,234	13,714	5,520
	July	11,456	7,721	19,177	13,679	5,498
	August	11,349	7,757	19,106	13,603	5,503
	September	11,313	7,708	19,021	13,597	5,424
	October	11,329	7,742	19,071	13,639	5,432
	November	11,312	7,817	19,129	13,659	5,470

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 local office of the Department of Social and Family Affairs. It comprises persons under 65 years of age in the following classes:

- ◆ All Claimants for Unemployment Benefit (UB) excluding systematic short-time workers (*see Table 10*)
- ◆ Applicants for Unemployment Assistance (UA) excluding smallholders/farm assists and other self-employed persons (*see Table 11*)
- ◆ Other registrants including applicants for credited Social Welfare contributions but excluding those directly involved in an industrial dispute (*see Table 11*).

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 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).

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 April of each year are calculated from the Labour Force Survey/Quarterly National Household Survey. The monthly trend in the seasonally adjusted Live Register has been traditionally used to estimate the monthly SUR between successive surveys.

This approach was temporarily suspended following the rapid decline in the Live Register after September 1996. A linear interpolation estimation approach was used between April 1996 and April 1997, as the Live Register series could not be used as an indicator of monthly trends in unemployment during that period. The traditional estimation approach has been used from April 1997 onwards.

QNHS The Quarterly National Household Survey, which began in September 1997, has now replaced the Labour Force Survey and provides quarterly estimates of the unemployment rate. The estimates (unadjusted for seasonality) are:

Year	Q1 %	Q2 %	Q3 %	Q4 %
1998	8.5	7.8	7.6	6.4
1999	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.1
2000	4.7	4.3	4.3	3.9
2001	3.7	3.7	4.3	4.0
2002	4.4	4.2	4.6	

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.

Because QNHS estimates are not yet adjusted for seasonality, only the March-May unemployment rates, which are directly comparable with April LFS data, have been incorporated in the calculation of the monthly SUR.

Casual and part time workers	The casual and part time workers' figure is based on an estimate supplied by the Department of Social and Family Affairs. People may apply for Unemployment Benefit / Assistance if they only work for part of a week and be included on the Live Register.
History of Flow Analysis	The flow analysis of the Live Register had 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.
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 other welfare schemes, 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.
Live Register Area Analysis	The basis of the area classification used in this release is the Department of Social and Family Affairs local office of registration. The areas served by Local Employment Offices do not correspond to specific geographic boundaries. Therefore, registrants at a given local office do not necessarily come from a particular region or area which can be precisely delineated. A classification by area of residence of persons on the Live Register was published until January 1989 but was then discontinued.
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. <i>See below.</i>

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