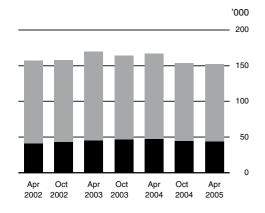


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# Live Register Age by Duration Analysis April 2005

	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
April 2004	119,817	47,239	167,056
October 2004	109,367	44,677	154,044
April 2005	108,909	43,800	152,709

### Fall in both short-term and long-term claimants

The decrease of 1,335 in the Live Register in the six months to April 2005 was comprised of a decrease of 458 (-0.4%) in short-term claimants and a decrease of 877 (-2.0%) for persons signing on for one year or more.

In April 2005, 28.7% of all claimants were long-term, which compares with 29.0% in October 2004 and 28.3% in April 2004. *See table 1 and graph.* 

Other features include:

- ♦ Of all claimants on the Live Register, 33.4% of males and 21.7% of females were long-term claimants. *See table 1*.
- ♦ In the year to April 2005, the number of short-term claimants decreased by 10,908 while long-term claimants decreased by 3,439. *See table 1*.
- ♦ In the six months to April 2005, the total number of males signing on increased by 1,062 (+1.2%). The largest increase was in the age group under 20 years (+7.5%), while the largest decrease was in the 55-59 year age group (-3.9%).
- ♦ The number of females decreased by 2,397 (-3.7%) in the six months to April 2005. This decrease was made up of decreases in all age groups. Females aged 20-24 (-5.9%) showed the largest decrease, while the lowest decrease was for females aged under 20 years (-1.4%). *See table 2*.
- ♦ For all persons making claims for 1 year or more, the largest percentage was among the 35-44 year age group (25.3%). Those aged under 20 years (1.9%) showed the lowest percentage. See table 5a.
- ♦ Of all persons making claims for under 1 year, the largest percentage was among the 25-34 year age group (28.1%). Those aged 60-64 (4.7%) had the lowest percentage. See table 5a.
- ♦ There were 39.2% (59,797) of all claimants on the Live Register registered for less than three months and 11.9% (18,107) of all claimants 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 September to November 2004 is 85,600 persons unemployed.

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

Sex/Duration	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004	April 2005
Males						
Less than one year	64,586	69,822	64,449	66,197	59,478	60,621
One year or more	29,107	30,468	31,489	31,989	30,529	30,448
Total	93,693	100,290	95,938	98,186	90,007	91,069
Females						
Less than one year	50,106	55,628	53,354	53,620	49,889	48,288
One year or more	13,866	14,366	15,283	15,250	14,148	13,352
Total	63,972	69,994	68,637	68,870	64,037	61,640
All Persons						
Less than one year	114,692	125,450	117,803	119,817	109,367	108,909
One year or more	42,973	44,834	46,772	47,239	44,677	43,800
Total	157,665	170,284	164,575	167,056	154,044	152,709

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

Sex/Age	October 2002	April 2003	October 2003	April 2004	October 2004	April 2005
Males						
Under 20 years	3,762	4,143	3,937	4,028	3,597	3,866
20 - 24 years	13,454	14,581	13,964	14,376	12,883	13,450
25 - 34 years	25,774	27,793	25,718	26,462	23,742	24,573
35 - 44 years	20,157	21,494	20,929	21,586	19,742	19,982
45 - 54 years	18,740	19,697	19,108	19,127	18,027	17,606
55 - 59 years	7,012	7,451	7,274	7,455	7,090	6,810
60 - 64 years	4,794	5,131	5,008	5,152	4,926	4,782
Total	93,693	100,290	95,938	98,186	90,007	91,069
Females						
Under 20 years	3,147	3,453	3,550	3,559	3,277	3,231
20 - 24 years	9,526	9,882	10,316	9,857	9,624	9,059
25 - 34 years	18,245	19,270	18,718	18,418	16,747	16,042
35 - 44 years	16,100	17,736	17,189	17,238	15,611	14,929
45 - 54 years	10,942	12,656	12,141	12,737	11,864	11,609
55 - 59 years	3,811	4,401	4,202	4,467	4,299	4,228
60 - 64 years	2,201	2,596	2,521	2,594	2,615	2,542
Total	63,972	69,994	68,637	68,870	64,037	61,640
All Persons						
Under 20 years	6,909	7,596	7,487	7,587	6,874	7,097
20 - 24 years	22,980	24,463	24,280	24,233	22,507	22,509
25 - 34 years	44,019	47,063	44,436	44,880	40,489	40,615
35 - 44 years	36,257	39,230	38,118	38,824	35,353	34,911
45 - 54 years	29,682	32,353	31,249	31,864	29,891	29,215
55 - 59 years	10,823	11,852	11,476	11,922	11,389	11,038
60 - 64 years	6,995	7,727	7,529	7,746	7,541	7,324
Total	157,665	170,284	164,575	167,056	154,044	152,709

Table 3 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, April 2005

Sex/Duration	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									
Less than one year	8,870	16,369	4,755	3,767	5,100	7,884	8,330	5,546	60,621
One year or more	4,653	8,694	1,972	1,593	2,435	3,860	4,182	3,059	30,448
Total	13,523	25,063	6,727	5,360	7,535	11,744	12,512	8,605	91,069
Females									
Less than one year	7,109	11,067	4,173	3,488	4,328	6,486	7,001	4,636	48,288
One year or more	2,194	2,948	928	897	1,226	1,840	1,735	1,584	13,352
Total	9,303	14,015	5,101	4,385	5,554	8,326	8,736	6,220	61,640
All Persons									
Less than one year	15,979	27,436	8,928	7,255	9,428	14,370	15,331	10,182	108,909
One year or more	6,847	11,642	2,900	2,490	3,661	5,700	5,917	4,643	43,800
Total	22,826	39,078	11,828	9,745	13,089	20,070	21,248	14,825	152,709

Table 4 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Age and Sex, April 2005

Sex/Age	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Midland	Mid-West	South- East	South- West	West	Total
Males									_
Under 20 years	546	1,166	275	264	302	570	429	314	3,866
20 - 24 years	2,013	3,830	962	878	1,156	1,786	1,647	1,178	13,450
25 - 34 years	3,512	7,513	1,762	1,344	2,066	3,083	3,183	2,110	24,573
35 - 44 years	3,092	5,264	1,475	1,195	1,668	2,590	2,761	1,937	19,982
45 - 54 years	2,733	4,098	1,266	1,041	1,461	2,390	2,734	1,883	17,606
55 - 59 years	1,035	1,741	590	377	509	776	1,065	717	6,810
60 - 64 years	592	1,451	397	261	373	549	693	466	4,782
Total	13,523	25,063	6,727	5,360	7,535	11,744	12,512	8,605	91,069
Females									
Under 20 years	511	865	232	257	300	483	348	235	3,231
20 - 24 years	1,490	2,021	677	707	844	1,301	1,138	881	9,059
25 - 34 years	2,431	3,623	1,413	1,101	1,455	2,183	2,270	1,566	16,042
35 - 44 years	2,246	3,128	1,308	1,050	1,413	2,049	2,220	1,515	14,929
45 - 54 years	1,710	2,470	903	822	1,021	1,590	1,789	1,304	11,609
55 - 59 years	595	1,142	365	271	356	446	619	434	4,228
60 - 64 years	320	766	203	177	165	274	352	285	2,542
Total	9,303	14,015	5,101	4,385	5,554	8,326	8,736	6,220	61,640
All Persons									
Under 20 years	1,057	2,031	507	521	602	1,053	777	549	7,097
20 - 24 years	3,503	5,851	1,639	1,585	2,000	3,087	2,785	2,059	22,509
25 - 34 years	5,943	11,136	3,175	2,445	3,521	5,266	5,453	3,676	40,615
35 - 44 years	5,338	8,392	2,783	2,245	3,081	4,639	4,981	3,452	34,911
45 - 54 years	4,443	6,568	2,169	1,863	2,482	3,980	4,523	3,187	29,215
55 - 59 years	1,630	2,883	955	648	865	1,222	1,684	1,151	11,038
60 - 64 years	912	2,217	600	438	538	823	1,045	751	7,324
Total	22,826	39,078	11,828	9,745	13,089	20,070	21,248	14,825	152,709

Table 5a Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, April 2005

	Duration of Contin	nuous Registration	
Sex/Age	Under 1 year	1 year or more	Total
Males			
Under 20 years	3,420	446	3,866
20 - 24 years	10,340	3,110	13,450
25 - 34 years	17,318	7,255	24,573
35 - 44 years	12,517	7,465	19,982
45 - 54 years	9,695	7,911	17,606
55 - 59 years	4,135	2,675	6,810
60 - 64 years	3,196	1,586	4,782
Total	60,621	30,448	91,069
Females			
Under 20 years	2,839	392	3,231
20 - 24 years	7,196	1,863	9,059
25 - 34 years	13,276	2,766	16,042
35 - 44 years	11,308	3,621	14,929
45 - 54 years	8,472	3,137	11,609
55 - 59 years	3,250	978	4,228
60 - 64 years	1,947	595	2,542
Total	48,288	13,352	61,640
All Persons			
Under 20 years	6,259	838	7,097
20 - 24 years	17,536	4,973	22,509
25 - 34 years	30,594	10,021	40,615
35 - 44 years	23,825	11,086	34,911
45 - 54 years	18,167	11,048	29,215
55 - 59 years	7,385	3,653	11,038
60 - 64 years	5,143	2,181	7,324
Total	108,909	43,800	152,709

Table 5b Persons on the Live Register classified by Sex, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration (Detailed), April 2005

		Duration	of Continuous	s 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	1,812	815	793	446	0	0	3,866
20 - 24 years	5,437	2,499	2,404	1,541	825	744	13,450
25 - 34 years	8,981	4,104	4,233	2,904	1,562	2,789	24,573
35 - 44 years	6,414	2,828	3,275	2,705	1,514	3,246	19,982
45 - 54 years	4,933	2,175	2,587	2,361	1,278	4,272	17,606
55 - 59 years	2,057	875	1,203	881	354	1,440	6,810
60 - 64 years	1,544	691	961	641	259	686	4,782
Total	31,178	13,987	15,456	11,479	5,792	13,177	91,069
Females							
Under 20 years	1,410	682	747	392	0	0	3,231
20 - 24 years	4,155	1,485	1,556	903	523	437	9,059
25 - 34 years	7,988	2,470	2,818	1,425	480	861	16,042
35 - 44 years	6,661	2,134	2,513	1,519	635	1,467	14,929
45 - 54 years	5,247	1,412	1,813	1,074	481	1,582	11,609
55 - 59 years	2,000	511	739	438	149	391	4,228
60 - 64 years	1,158	315	474	312	91	192	2,542
Total	28,619	9,009	10,660	6,063	2,359	4,930	61,640
All Persons							
Under 20 years	3,222	1,497	1,540	838	0	0	7,097
20 - 24 years	9,592	3,984	3,960	2,444	1,348	1,181	22,509
25 - 34 years	16,969	6,574	7,051	4,329	2,042	3,650	40,615
35 - 44 years	13,075	4,962	5,788	4,224	2,149	4,713	34,911
45 - 54 years	10,180	3,587	4,400	3,435	1,759	5,854	29,215
55 - 59 years	4,057	1,386	1,942	1,319	503	1,831	11,038
60 - 64 years	2,702	1,006	1,435	953	350	878	7,324
Total	59,797	22,996	26,116	17,542	8,151	18,107	152,709

Table 6a Persons on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, April 2005

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	532	164	79	5	0	0	780
20 - 24 years	4,726	1,665	1,230	97	0	0	7,718
25 - 34 years	10,355	3,608	3,217	655	9	2	17,846
35 - 44 years	8,306	2,776	2,800	840	9	1	14,732
45 - 54 years	6,631	1,982	2,059	600	8	0	11,280
55 - 59 years	2,616	803	1,064	312	3	0	4,798
60 - 64 years	1,790	614	859	331	2	1	3,597
Total	34,956	11,612	11,308	2,840	31	4	60,751
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	2,676	1,331	1,461	833	0	0	6,301
20 - 24 years	4,803	2,300	2,711	2,341	1,342	1,180	14,677
25 - 34 years	6,304	2,778	3,619	3,498	1,957	3,545	21,701
35 - 44 years	4,178	1,826	2,497	2,821	1,807	3,931	17,060
45 - 54 years	2,975	1,245	1,780	2,289	1,478	5,063	14,830
55 - 59 years	1,128	349	547	723	377	1,627	4,751
60 - 64 years	625	192	292	349	217	730	2,405
Total	22,689	10,021	12,907	12,854	7,178	16,076	81,725
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	14	2	0	0	0	0	16
20 - 24 years	63	19	19	6	6	1	114
25 - 34 years	310	188	215	176	76	103	1,068
35 - 44 years	591	360	491	563	333	781	3,119
45 - 54 years	574	360	561	546	273	791	3,105
55 - 59 years	313	234	331	284	123	204	1,489
60 - 64 years	287	200	284	273	131	147	1,322
Total	2,152	1,363	1,901	1,848	942	2,027	10,233

Table 6b Number of Males on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, April 2005

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	307	111	37	3	0	0	458
20 - 24 years	2,570	1,021	706	57	0	0	4,354
25 - 34 years	4,676	1,978	1,466	240	5	1	8,366
35 - 44 years	3,305	1,334	1,246	355	3	1	6,244
45 - 54 years	2,769	1,079	1,078	369	2	0	5,297
55 - 59 years	1,157	487	634	196	1	0	2,475
60 - 64 years	961	423	573	216	1	0	2,174
Total	15,745	6,433	5,740	1,436	12	2	29,368
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,496	703	756	443	0	0	3,398
20 - 24 years	2,850	1,474	1,695	1,484	823	744	9,070
25 - 34 years	4,270	2,108	2,758	2,652	1,557	2,782	16,127
35 - 44 years	3,019	1,454	1,984	2,313	1,491	3,218	13,479
45 - 54 years	1,990	988	1,338	1,797	1,192	4,132	11,437
55 - 59 years	744	280	429	562	302	1,370	3,687
60 - 64 years	426	163	224	268	182	615	1,878
Total	14,795	7,170	9,184	9,519	5,547	12,861	59,076
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	9	1	0	0	0	0	10
20 - 24 years	17	4	3	0	2	0	26
25 - 34 years	35	18	9	12	0	6	80
35 - 44 years	90	40	45	37	20	27	259
45 - 54 years	174	108	171	195	84	140	872
55 - 59 years	156	108	140	123	51	70	648
60 - 64 years	157	105	164	157	76	71	730
Total	638	384	532	524	233	314	2,625

Table 6c Number of Females on the Live Register classified by Type of Claim, Age and Duration of Continuous Registration, April 2005

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	225	53	42	2	0	0	322
20 - 24 years	2,156	644	524	40	0	0	3,364
25 - 34 years	5,679	1,630	1,751	415	4	1	9,480
35 - 44 years	5,001	1,442	1,554	485	6	0	8,488
45 - 54 years	3,862	903	981	231	6	0	5,983
55 - 59 years	1,459	316	430	116	2	0	2,323
60 - 64 years	829	191	286	115	1	1	1,423
Total	19,211	5,179	5,568	1,404	19	2	31,383
Unemployment Assistance							
Under 20 years	1,180	628	705	390	0	0	2,903
20 - 24 years	1,953	826	1,016	857	519	436	5,607
25 - 34 years	2,034	670	861	846	400	763	5,574
35 - 44 years	1,159	372	513	508	316	713	3,581
45 - 54 years	985	257	442	492	286	931	3,393
55 - 59 years	384	69	118	161	75	257	1,064
60 - 64 years	199	29	68	81	35	115	527
Total	7,894	2,851	3,723	3,335	1,631	3,215	22,649
Other Registrants							
Under 20 years	5	1	0	0	0	0	6
20 - 24 years	46	15	16	6	4	1	88
25 - 34 years	275	170	206	164	76	97	988
35 - 44 years	501	320	446	526	313	754	2,860
45 - 54 years	400	252	390	351	189	651	2,233
55 - 59 years	157	126	191	161	72	134	841
60 - 64 years	130	95	120	116	55	76	592
Total	1,514	979	1,369	1,324	709	1,713	7,608

Table 7 Persons on the Live Register in each Regional Authority classified by Sex and Duration of Continuous Registration, April 2005

		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	4,603	2,028	2,239	1,716	791	2,146	13,523
Females	4,320	1,327	1,462	908	396	890	9,303
Total	8,923	3,355	3,701	2,624	1,187	3,036	22,826
Dublin							
Males	8,101	3,814	4,454	3,477	1,792	3,425	25,063
Females	6,291	2,175	2,601	1,496	567	885	14,015
Total	14,392	5,989	7,055	4,973	2,359	4,310	39,078
Mid-East							
Males	2,537	1,050	1,168	843	370	759	6,727
Females	2,452	775	946	505	172	251	5,101
Total	4,989	1,825	2,114	1,348	542	1,010	11,828
Midland							
Males	1,933	875	959	643	309	641	5,360
Females	2,013	695	780	411	165	321	4,385
Total	3,946	1,570	1,739	1,054	474	962	9,745
Mid-West							
Males	2,571	1,175	1,354	980	510	945	7,535
Females	2,532	775	1,021	591	221	414	5,554
Total	5,103	1,950	2,375	1,571	731	1,359	13,089
South-East							
Males	4,233	1,810	1,841	1,384	707	1,769	11,744
Females	4,080	1,103	1,303	754	286	800	8,326
Total	8,313	2,913	3,144	2,138	993	2,569	20,070
South-West							
Males	4,526	1,870	1,934	1,360	803	2,019	12,512
Females	4,317	1,263	1,421	746	301	688	8,736
Total	8,843	3,133	3,355	2,106	1,104	2,707	21,248
West							
Males	2,674	1,365	1,507	1,076	510	1,473	8,605
Females	2,614	896	1,126	652	251	681	6,220
Total	5,288	2,261	2,633	1,728	761	2,154	14,825
State							
Males	31,178	13,987	15,456	11,479	5,792	13,177	91,069
Females	28,619	9,009	10,660	6,063	2,359	4,930	61,640
Total	59,797	22,996	26,116	17,542	8,151	18,107	152,709

### **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

#### Southern and Eastern 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