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In March, the number of persons registering for work with the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC) stood at 7,644, compared to 7,350 in the corresponding month last year.

Registered Unemployed: March 2014

Data provided by the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC) for March indicate an increase of 294 persons registering as unemployed, when compared to the corresponding month last year. This was a result of an increase of 365 persons registering under Part 1 and a decline of 71 among those registering under Part 2 of the unemployment register, when compared to the corresponding month last year.

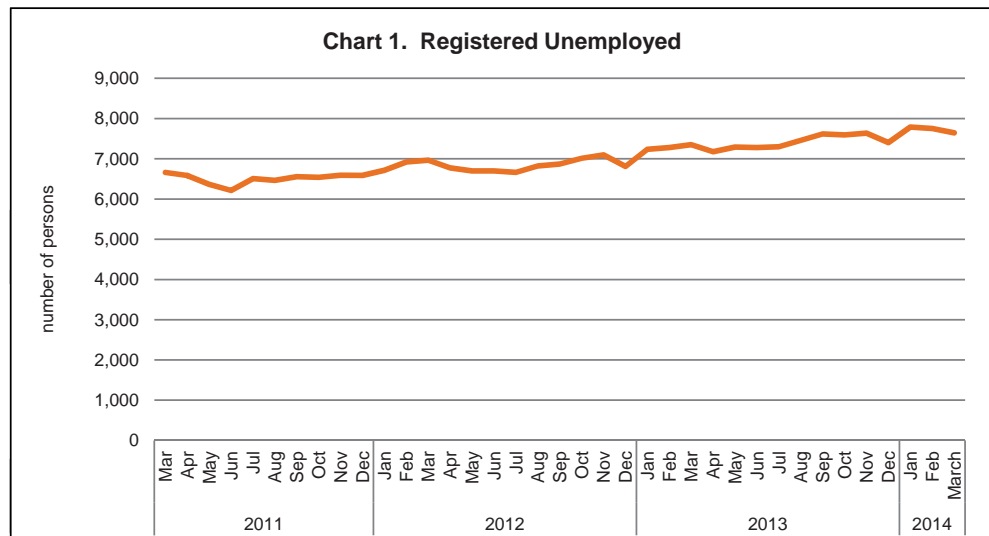
The number of registrants aged 45 and over went up by 3.8 per cent to 3,140. Increases were recorded among all age-groups, except for persons under 20.

When compared to March 2013, an increase of 522 persons was recorded among those who had been registering for more than one year. On the other hand, the number of persons who had been registering for less than 21 weeks declined by 156. The number of disabled persons registering for work numbered 532, decreasing by 5.7 per cent over 2013. Males accounted for 83.5 per cent of the total number of registrants with disability.

The largest share of men on the register sought occupations as crafts and related trade workers, whereas women mostly sought occupations classified as technicians and associate professionals.

Registered unemployment rate: November 2013

Excluding part-time employment (refer to methodological notes), the registered unemployment rate in November 2013 stood at 4.6 per cent of the labour supply, and varied from 5.4 per cent among men to 3.1 per cent among women ■



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Table 1. Persons registering for work under Part I and Part II of the unemployment register by age group

Age group and sex	Annual average 2012			Annual average 2013			February 2013			February 2014			March 2013			March 2014		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Total	6,137	702	6,839	6,639	743	7,382	6,543	736	7,279	6,992	761	7,753	6,608	742	7,350	6,889	755	7,644
Males	4,838	465	5,303	5,122	504	5,626	5,107	494	5,601	5,339	510	5,849	5,130	498	5,628	5,276	503	5,779
Females	1,299	237	1,536	1,517	239	1,756	1,436	242	1,678	1,653	251	1,904	1,478	244	1,722	1,613	252	1,865
Under 20	438	39	477	399	33	432	430	39	469	418	25	443	424	38	462	403	23	426
Males	280	23	303	247	19	266	269	22	291	255	14	269	263	21	284	248	13	261
Females	158	16	174	152	14	166	161	17	178	163	11	174	161	17	178	155	10	165
20-24	644	105	749	680	105	785	675	108	783	722	105	827	673	113	786	688	107	795
Males	453	72	525	473	76	549	477	78	555	494	72	566	468	82	550	484	76	560
Females	191	33	224	207	29	236	198	30	228	228	33	261	205	31	236	204	31	235
25-29	599	100	699	637	110	747	643	108	751	677	105	782	658	107	765	683	106	789
Males	453	71	524	480	85	565	481	78	559	506	83	589	496	77	573	513	83	596
Females	146	29	175	157	25	182	162	30	192	171	22	193	162	30	192	170	23	193
30-44	1,870	232	2,102	2,102	262	2,364	2,027	250	2,277	2,238	277	2,515	2,060	253	2,313	2,215	279	2,494
Males	1,534	148	1,682	1,690	169	1,859	1,661	168	1,829	1,773	179	1,952	1,677	167	1,844	1,756	178	1,934
Females	336	84	420	412	93	505	366	82	448	465	98	563	383	86	469	459	101	560
45 and over	2,586	226	2,812	2,821	233	3,054	2,768	231	2,999	2,937	249	3,186	2,793	231	3,024	2,900	240	3,140
Males	2,118	151	2,269	2,232	155	2,387	2,219	148	2,367	2,311	162	2,473	2,226	151	2,377	2,275	153	2,428
Females	468	75	543	589	78	667	549	83	632	626	87	713	567	80	647	625	87	712

Table 2. Persons registering for work under Part I and Part II of the unemployment register by duration of registration

Duration of registration and sex	Annual average		February		March	
	2012	2013	2013	2014	2013	2014
Total	6,839	7,382	7,279	7,753	7,350	7,644
Males	5,303	5,626	5,601	5,849	5,628	5,779
Females	1,536	1,756	1,678	1,904	1,722	1,865
Under 21 weeks	2,959	2,880	2,970	2,872	2,881	2,725
Males	2,145	2,026	2,128	1,944	2,060	1,870
Females	814	854	842	928	821	855
21 to 52 weeks	1,463	1,571	1,606	1,585	1,696	1,624
Males	1,135	1,182	1,237	1,199	1,288	1,222
Females	328	389	369	386	408	402
Over 1 year	2,417	2,931	2,703	3,296	2,773	3,295
Males	2,023	2,418	2,236	2,706	2,280	2,687
Females	394	513	467	590	493	608

Table 3. Persons with disability registering for work under Part I and Part II of the unemployment register

Registration type and sex	Annual average				February				March			
	2012		2013		2013		2014		2013		2014	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total (Part I and II)	503	100.0	533	100.0	563	100.0	535	100.0	564	100.0	532	100.0
Males	418	83.1	444	83.3	459	81.5	447	83.6	461	81.7	444	83.5
Females	85	16.9	89	16.7	104	18.5	88	16.4	103	18.3	88	16.5
Total (Part I)	484	100.0	521	100.0	542	100.0	525	100.0	545	100.0	525	100.0
Males	402	83.1	433	83.1	440	81.2	438	83.4	445	81.7	438	83.4
Females	82	16.9	88	16.9	102	18.8	87	16.6	100	18.3	87	16.6
Total (Part II)	19	100.0	12	100.0	21	100.0	10	100.0	19	100.0	7	100.0
Males	16	84.2	11	91.7	19	90.5	9	90.0	16	84.2	6	85.7
Females	3	15.8	1	8.3	2	9.5	1	10.0	3	15.8	1	14.3

Table 4. Persons registering for work under Part I and Part II of the unemployment register by main type of occupation sought

Occupation (ISCO 88)	Annual average 2012						Annual average 2013						February 2013						March 2013					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	212	4.0	64	4.2	276	4.0	248	4.4	88	5.0	336	4.6	242	4.3	79	4.7	321	4.4	235	4.2	84	4.9	319	4.3
Professionals	424	8.0	58	3.8	482	7.0	444	7.9	69	3.9	513	6.9	431	7.7	72	4.3	503	6.9	434	7.7	72	4.2	506	6.9
Technicians and associate professionals	605	11.4	203	13.2	808	11.8	651	11.6	233	13.3	884	12.0	633	11.3	213	12.7	846	11.6	647	11.5	216	12.5	863	11.7
Clerks	656	12.4	537	35.0	1,193	17.4	671	11.9	596	33.9	1,267	17.2	686	12.2	583	34.8	1,269	17.4	688	12.2	592	34.4	1,280	17.4
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	970	18.3	476	31.0	1,446	21.1	1,043	18.5	547	31.2	1,590	21.5	1,026	18.3	523	31.2	1,549	21.3	1,043	18.5	538	31.2	1,581	21.5
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	236	4.5	1	0.1	237	3.5	254	4.5	-	-	254	3.4	239	4.3	-	-	239	3.3	248	4.4	-	-	248	3.4
Craft and related trade workers	822	15.5	5	0.3	827	12.1	874	15.5	9	0.5	883	12.0	895	16.0	7	0.4	902	12.4	880	15.6	10	0.6	890	12.1
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	693	13.1	87	5.7	780	11.4	720	12.8	98	5.6	818	11.1	732	13.1	93	5.5	825	11.3	741	13.2	98	5.7	839	11.4
Elementary occupations	685	12.9	105	6.8	790	11.6	721	12.8	116	6.6	837	11.3	717	12.8	108	6.4	825	11.3	712	12.7	112	6.5	824	11.2
Total	5,303	100.0	1,536	100.0	6,839	100.0	5,626	100.0	1,756	100.0	7,382	100.0	5,601	100.0	1,678	100.0	7,279	100.0	5,628	100.0	1,722	100.0	7,350	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	February 2014						March 2014					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	266	4.5	99	5.2	365	4.7	265	4.6	95	5.1	360	4.7
Professionals	772	13.2	196	10.3	968	12.5	759	13.1	185	9.9	944	12.3
Technicians and associate professionals	567	9.7	548	28.8	1,115	14.4	563	9.7	527	28.3	1,090	14.3
Clerks and support workers	739	12.6	452	23.7	1,191	15.4	756	13.1	442	23.7	1,198	15.7
Service workers and sales workers	886	15.1	358	18.8	1,244	16.0	877	15.2	367	19.7	1,244	16.3
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	276	4.7	1	0.1	277	3.6	275	4.8	1	0.1	276	3.6
Crafts and related trade workers	975	16.7	24	1.3	999	12.9	948	16.4	26	1.4	974	12.7
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	500	8.5	103	5.4	603	7.8	495	8.6	97	5.2	592	7.7
Elementary occupations	868	14.8	123	6.5	991	12.8	841	14.6	125	6.7	966	12.6
Total	5,849	100.0	1,904	100.0	7,753	100.0	5,779	100.0	1,865	100.0	7,644	100.0

Table 5. Persons registering for work under Part I of the unemployment register by age group

Age group and sex	Annual average 2012			Annual average 2013			February 2013			February 2014			March 2013			March 2014		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Total	5,509	660	6,169	6,161	723	6,884	6,008	724	6,732	6,530	739	7,269	6,131	722	6,853	6,488	730	7,218
Males	4,349	440	4,789	4,774	492	5,266	4,708	489	5,197	5,019	501	5,520	4,776	489	5,265	4,990	491	5,481
Females	1,160	220	1,380	1,387	231	1,618	1,300	235	1,535	1,511	238	1,749	1,355	233	1,588	1,498	239	1,737
Under 20	358	37	395	345	32	377	358	38	396	376	22	398	361	37	398	370	19	389
Males	226	22	248	211	18	229	226	21	247	233	13	246	223	20	243	231	12	243
Females	132	15	147	134	14	148	132	17	149	143	9	152	138	17	155	139	7	146
20-24	526	99	625	586	101	687	571	105	676	626	101	727	585	109	694	605	103	708
Males	368	69	437	411	73	484	409	77	486	434	69	503	410	79	489	432	73	505
Females	158	30	188	175	28	203	162	28	190	192	32	224	175	30	205	173	30	203
25-29	525	94	619	575	107	682	584	104	688	607	103	710	601	102	703	629	103	732
Males	397	68	465	435	84	519	435	77	512	460	82	542	453	76	529	474	81	555
Females	128	26	154	140	23	163	149	27	176	147	21	168	148	26	174	155	22	177
30-44	1,705	217	1,922	1,960	255	2,215	1,881	247	2,128	2,105	271	2,376	1,931	247	2,178	2,094	269	2,363
Males	1,407	138	1,545	1,583	164	1,747	1,549	166	1,715	1,674	178	1,852	1,581	164	1,745	1,669	174	1,843
Females	298	79	377	377	91	468	332	81	413	431	93	524	350	83	433	425	95	520
45 and over	2,395	213	2,608	2,695	228	2,923	2,614	230	2,844	2,816	242	3,058	2,653	227	2,880	2,790	236	3,026
Males	1,951	143	2,094	2,134	153	2,287	2,089	148	2,237	2,218	159	2,377	2,109	150	2,259	2,184	151	2,335
Females	444	70	514	561	75	636	525	82	607	598	83	681	544	77	621	606	85	691

Table 6. Persons registering for work under Part I of the unemployment register by duration

Duration of registration and sex	Annual average		February		March	
	2012	2013	2013	2014	2013	2014
Total	6,169	6,884	6,732	7,269	6,853	7,218
Males	4,789	5,266	5,197	5,520	5,265	5,481
Females	1,380	1,618	1,535	1,749	1,588	1,737
Under 21 weeks	2,345	2,419	2,473	2,431	2,437	2,330
Males	1,675	1,695	1,763	1,649	1,736	1,598
Females	670	724	710	782	701	732
21 to 52 weeks	1,407	1,534	1,556	1,542	1,643	1,593
Males	1,091	1,153	1,198	1,165	1,249	1,196
Females	316	381	358	377	394	397
Over 1 year	2,417	2,931	2,703	3,296	2,773	3,295
Males	2,023	2,418	2,236	2,706	2,280	2,687
Females	394	513	467	590	493	608

Table 7. Persons registering for work under Part I of the unemployment register by main type of occupation sought

Occupation (ISCO 88)	Annual average 2012						Annual average 2013						February 2013						March 2013					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	173	3.6	53	3.8	226	3.7	213	4.0	74	4.6	287	4.2	205	3.9	68	4.4	273	4.1	202	3.9	71	4.5	273	4.0
Professionals	392	8.2	52	3.8	444	7.2	418	7.9	63	3.9	481	7.0	406	7.8	64	4.2	470	7.0	407	7.7	64	4.0	471	6.9
Technicians and associate professionals	534	11.2	177	12.8	711	11.5	592	11.2	208	12.9	800	11.6	578	11.1	192	12.5	770	11.4	584	11.1	192	12.1	776	11.3
Clerks	572	11.9	482	34.9	1,054	17.1	617	11.7	545	33.7	1,162	16.9	612	11.8	528	34.4	1,140	16.9	626	11.9	545	34.3	1,171	17.1
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	895	18.7	435	31.5	1,330	21.6	988	18.8	516	31.9	1,504	21.8	965	18.6	485	31.6	1,450	21.5	994	18.9	507	31.9	1,501	21.9
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	223	4.7	1	0.1	224	3.6	247	4.7	-	-	247	3.6	233	4.5	-	-	233	3.5	238	4.5	-	-	238	3.5
Craft and related trade workers	748	15.6	4	0.3	752	12.2	823	15.6	9	0.6	832	12.1	836	16.1	7	0.5	843	12.5	833	15.8	10	0.6	843	12.3
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	619	12.9	79	5.7	698	11.3	675	12.8	92	5.7	767	11.1	677	13.0	86	5.6	763	11.3	695	13.2	92	5.8	787	11.5
Elementary occupations	633	13.2	97	7.0	730	11.8	693	13.2	111	6.9	804	11.7	685	13.2	105	6.8	790	11.7	686	13.0	107	6.8	793	11.5
Total	4,789	100.0	1,380	100.0	6,169	100.0	5,266	100.0	1,618	100.0	6,884	100.0	5,197	100.0	1,535	100.0	6,732	100.0	5,265	100.0	1,588	100.0	6,853	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	February 2014						March 2014					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	242	4.4	86	4.9	328	4.5	239	4.4	88	5.1	327	4.5
Professionals	735	13.3	185	10.6	920	12.7	725	13.2	171	9.8	896	12.4
Technicians and associate professionals	528	9.6	499	28.5	1,027	14.1	532	9.7	495	28.5	1,027	14.2
Clerks and support workers	677	12.3	407	23.3	1,084	14.9	701	12.8	401	23.1	1,102	15.3
Service workers and sales workers	839	15.2	335	19.2	1,174	16.2	838	15.3	346	19.9	1,184	16.4
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	267	4.8	1	0.1	268	3.7	268	4.9	1	0.1	269	3.7
Crafts and related trade workers	927	16.8	21	1.2	948	13.0	910	16.6	24	1.4	934	12.9
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	472	8.6	96	5.5	568	7.8	465	8.5	91	5.2	556	7.7
Elementary occupations	833	15.1	119	6.8	952	13.1	803	14.7	120	6.9	923	12.8
Total	5,520	100.0	1,749	100.0	7,269	100.0	5,481	100.0	1,737	100.0	7,218	100.0

Table 8. Persons registering for work under Part II of the unemployment register by age group

Age group and sex	Annual average 2012			Annual average 2013			February 2013			February 2014			March 2013			March 2014		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Total	628	42	670	478	20	498	535	12	547	462	22	484	477	20	497	401	25	426
Males	489	25	514	348	12	360	399	5	404	320	9	329	354	9	363	286	12	298
Females	139	17	156	130	8	138	136	7	143	142	13	155	123	11	134	115	13	128
Under 20	80	2	82	54	1	55	72	1	73	42	3	45	63	1	64	33	4	37
Males	54	1	55	36	1	37	43	1	44	22	1	23	40	1	41	17	1	18
Females	26	1	27	18	-	18	29	-	29	20	2	22	23	-	23	16	3	19
20-24	118	6	124	94	4	98	104	3	107	96	4	100	88	4	92	83	4	87
Males	85	3	88	62	3	65	68	1	69	60	3	63	58	3	61	52	3	55
Females	33	3	36	32	1	33	36	2	38	36	1	37	30	1	31	31	1	32
25-29	74	6	80	62	3	65	59	4	63	70	2	72	57	5	62	54	3	57
Males	56	3	59	45	1	46	46	1	47	46	1	47	43	1	44	39	2	41
Females	18	3	21	17	2	19	13	3	16	24	1	25	14	4	18	15	1	16
30-44	165	15	180	142	7	149	146	3	149	133	6	139	129	6	135	121	10	131
Males	127	10	137	107	5	112	112	2	114	99	1	100	96	3	99	87	4	91
Females	38	5	43	35	2	37	34	1	35	34	5	39	33	3	36	34	6	40
45 and over	191	13	204	126	5	131	154	1	155	121	7	128	140	4	144	110	4	114
Males	167	8	175	98	2	100	130	-	130	93	3	96	117	1	118	91	2	93
Females	24	5	29	28	3	31	24	1	25	28	4	32	23	3	26	19	2	21

Table 9. Persons registering for work under Part II of the unemployment register by duration

Duration of registration and sex	Annual average		February		March	
	2012	2013	2013	2014	2013	2014
Total	670	498	547	484	497	426
Males	514	360	404	329	363	298
Females	156	138	143	155	134	128
Under 21 weeks	614	461	497	441	444	395
Males	470	331	365	295	324	272
Females	144	130	132	146	120	123
21 to 52 weeks	56	37	50	43	53	31
Males	44	29	39	34	39	26
Females	12	8	11	9	14	5

Table 10. Persons registering for work under Part II of the unemployment register by main type of occupation sought

Occupation (ISCO 88)	Annual average 2012						Annual average 2013						February 2013						March 2013					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	39	7.6	11	7.1	50	7.5	35	9.7	14	10.1	49	9.8	37	9.2	11	7.7	48	8.8	33	9.1	13	9.7	46	9.3
Professionals	32	6.2	6	3.8	38	5.7	26	7.2	6	4.3	32	6.4	25	6.2	8	5.6	33	6.0	27	7.4	8	6.0	35	7.0
Technicians and associate professionals	71	13.8	26	16.7	97	14.5	59	16.4	25	18.1	84	16.9	55	13.6	21	14.7	76	13.9	63	17.3	24	17.9	87	17.5
Clerks	84	16.3	55	35.3	139	20.7	54	15.0	51	37.0	105	21.1	74	18.3	55	38.4	129	23.6	62	17.1	47	35.1	109	21.9
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	75	14.6	41	26.3	116	17.3	55	15.3	31	22.5	86	17.3	61	15.1	38	26.6	99	18.1	49	13.5	31	23.1	80	16.1
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	13	2.5	-	-	13	1.9	7	1.9	-	-	7	1.4	6	1.5	-	-	6	1.1	10	2.8	-	-	10	2.0
Craft and related trade workers	74	14.4	1	0.6	75	11.2	51	14.2	-	-	51	10.2	59	14.6	-	-	59	10.8	47	12.9	-	-	47	9.5
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	74	14.4	8	5.1	82	12.2	45	12.5	6	4.3	51	10.2	55	13.6	7	4.9	62	11.3	46	12.7	6	4.5	52	10.5
Elementary occupations	52	10.1	8	5.1	60	9.0	28	7.8	5	3.6	33	6.6	32	7.9	3	2.1	35	6.4	26	7.2	5	3.7	31	6.2
Total	514	100.0	156	100.0	670	100.0	360	100.0	138	100.0	498	100.0	404	100.0	143	100.0	547	100.0	363	100.0	134	100.0	497	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	February 2014						March 2014					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	24	7.3	13	8.4	37	7.6	26	8.7	7	5.5	33	7.7
Professionals	37	11.2	11	7.1	48	9.9	34	11.4	14	10.9	48	11.3
Technicians and associate professionals	39	11.9	49	31.6	88	18.2	31	10.4	32	25.0	63	14.8
Clerks and support workers	62	18.8	45	29.0	107	22.1	55	18.5	41	32.0	96	22.5
Service workers and sales workers	47	14.3	23	14.8	70	14.5	39	13.1	21	16.4	60	14.1
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	9	2.7	-	-	9	1.9	7	2.3	-	-	7	1.6
Crafts and related trade workers	48	14.6	3	1.9	51	10.5	38	12.8	2	1.6	40	9.4
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	28	8.5	7	4.5	35	7.2	30	10.1	6	4.7	36	8.5
Elementary occupations	35	10.6	4	2.6	39	8.1	38	12.8	5	3.9	43	10.1
Total	329	100.0	155	100.0	484	100.0	298	100.0	128	100.0	426	100.0

Table 11. Registered unemployment (Part I and Part II) rate

%

Sex	Annual average		October		November	
	2011	2012 revised	2012	2013	2012 revised	2013
Males	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.4	5.2	5.4
Females	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.0	3.1
Total	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.6

Table 12. Registered unemployment (Part I) rate of persons aged under 25

%

Sex	Annual average		October		November	
	2011	2012 revised	2012	2013	2012 revised	2013
Males	5.9	5.9	6.2	6.5	6.2	6.7
Females	3.6	3.7	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.1
Total	4.9	4.9	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.6

Table 13. Registered unemployment (Part I) rate of persons aged over 45

%

Sex	Annual average		October		November	
	2011	2012 revised	2012	2013	2012 revised	2013
Males	4.8	5.1	5.2	5.6	5.3	5.6
Females	3.2	3.7	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.3
Total	4.5	4.8	4.9	5.2	4.9	5.3

Table 14. Long-term registered unemployment (Part I) rate

%

Sex	Annual average		October		November	
	2011	2012 revised	2012	2013	2012 revised	2013
Males	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.4	2.1	2.4
Females	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.8	1.0
Total	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.9	1.6	1.9

Methodological Notes

1. This news release provides statistics on the number of persons registering for work with the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC). These administrative records provide counts of persons who are registered with ETC in pursuit of employment.

The National Statistics Office also publishes, on a quarterly basis, another set of statistics on unemployment based on the Labour Force Survey (LFS). When compiling LFS statistics, the Office adopts the International Labour Organisation (ILO) definition, an internationally agreed definition on unemployment. This definition has also been adopted by Eurostat and is used by all EU Member States. More details regarding the methodology used for the compilation of unemployment statistics from the LFS may be found in quarterly LFS news releases.

Since ETC records and LFS results measure two different facets of unemployment, these are not comparable. Users are therefore cautioned that these two sets of statistics should not be used interchangeably.

2. The data in this release are final and not normally subject to revision.
3. The monthly unemployment rates from December 2013 to February 2014 do not feature in this release since the administrative data on the labour supply for these months are not yet available.
4. As from this release, ISCO 08 is being used to classify occupations sought by the unemployed. This new classification was applied by ETC for data relating to October 2013 onwards.

5. Definitions:

- **Unemployment rates:** in computing the unemployment rates for the purpose of this release, only the full-time gainfully occupied population is taken into consideration. Persons employed on a part-time basis were not taken into account in this computation.
- The **registered unemployment rate:** is worked out by taking into account the number of registered unemployed persons both under Part 1 and Part 2 as a percentage of the sum of the full-time gainfully occupied population and the total registered unemployed.
- **Long-term unemployment rate:** refers to those people who have been registering for work for more than twelve months. The long-term unemployment rate is calculated by working out the percentage of the long-term unemployed under Part 1 within the labour force.
- **Unemployment rate of persons aged 45+:** refers to the unemployment rate of persons aged 45 and over. The unemployment rate is arrived at by taking into account the number of unemployed aged 45+ registering under Part 1 as a percentage of the sum of the full-time gainfully occupied population and registered unemployed within the specific age-bracket.
- **Unemployment rate of persons aged under 25:** refers to the unemployment rate of persons aged less than 25. The unemployment rate is arrived at by taking into account the number of unemployed aged less than 25 registering under Part 1 as a percentage of the sum of the full-time gainfully occupied population and registered unemployed within the specific age-bracket.
- **Part 1 of the unemployment register:** those registering under Part 1 are either new job seekers who have left school, or re-entrants into the labour market, or job losers who have been made redundant by their former employers.
- **Part 2 of the unemployment register:** those registering under Part 2 are either workers who have been dismissed from work due to disciplinary action, left work of their own free will, refused work or training opportunities or were struck off the register after an inspection by the Law Enforcement personnel.
- The **Labour Supply/Labour Force:** includes both the registered unemployed and the full-time gainfully occupied population.