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In December, the number of persons registering for work stood at 6,287 compared to 7,401 in the corresponding month in 2013.

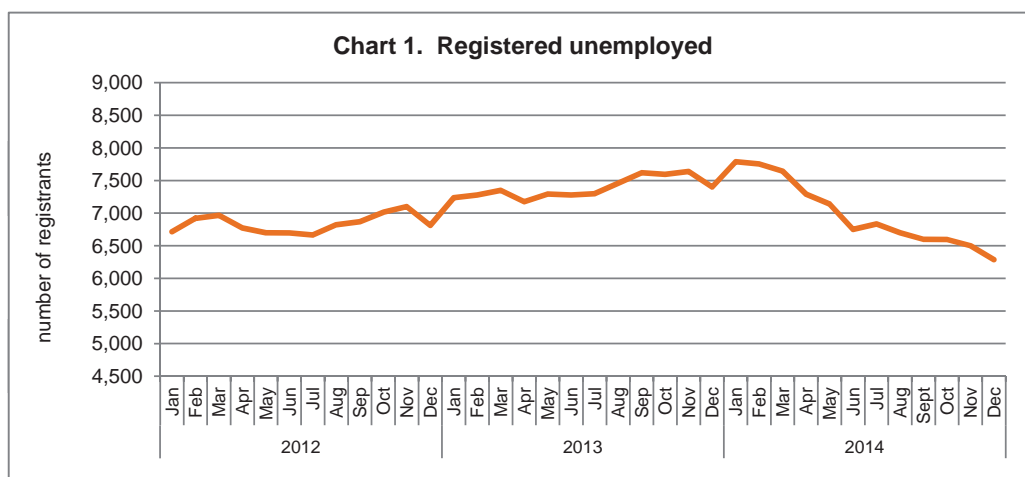
Registered Unemployed: December 2014

Data provided by the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC) for December indicate a decrease of 1,067 persons registering under Part I and a decline of 47 among those registering under Part II of the unemployment register, when compared to the corresponding month in 2013 (Tables 5 and 8). Decreases in registered unemployment were recorded among all age groups (Table 1).

When compared to December 2013, decreases were recorded in all categories by duration of registration, the most significant being among persons who had been registering for employment for 21 to 52 weeks (Table 2). The number of persons with a disability who were registering for work also decreased by 84, to 442. Males accounted for 83.7 per cent of total registrants with a disability (Table 3).

In December 2014 the largest share of men on the unemployment register sought occupations as crafts and related trade workers (17.6 per cent), whereas most registered unemployed women, 24.9 per cent, sought occupations as clerks and support workers (Table 4).

The registered unemployed rate in August 2014 stood at 3.9 per cent of the labour supply, (excluding part-time employment) and varied from 4.6 per cent among men to 2.7 per cent among women (Table 11) ■



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

Age group and sex	Annual average 2012			Annual average 2013			November 2013			November 2014			December 2013			December 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	6,866	773	7,639	5,760	741	6,501	6,672	729	7,401	5,522	765	6,287
Males	4,838	465	5,303	5,122	504	5,626	5,286	526	5,812	4,447	498	4,945	5,142	495	5,637	4,301	511	4,812
Females	1,299	237	1,536	1,517	239	1,756	1,580	247	1,827	1,313	243	1,556	1,530	234	1,764	1,221	254	1,475
Under 20	438	39	477	399	33	432	422	30	452	260	39	299	377	32	409	215	39	254
Males	280	23	303	247	19	266	267	17	284	171	25	196	229	16	245	141	30	171
Females	158	16	174	152	14	166	155	13	168	89	14	103	148	16	164	74	9	83
20-24	644	105	749	680	105	785	708	112	820	491	112	603	672	93	765	440	115	555
Males	453	72	525	473	76	549	497	81	578	340	81	421	476	68	544	301	82	383
Females	191	33	224	207	29	236	211	31	242	151	31	182	196	25	221	139	33	172
25-29	599	100	699	637	110	747	645	114	759	546	90	636	638	101	739	498	94	592
Males	453	71	524	480	85	565	493	89	582	406	73	479	481	81	562	381	73	454
Females	146	29	175	157	25	182	152	25	177	140	17	157	157	20	177	117	21	138
30-44	1,870	232	2,102	2,102	262	2,364	2,190	274	2,464	1,864	267	2,131	2,130	258	2,388	1,806	270	2,076
Males	1,534	148	1,682	1,690	169	1,859	1,746	176	1,922	1,507	175	1,682	1,705	169	1,874	1,475	181	1,656
Females	336	84	420	412	93	505	444	98	542	357	92	449	425	89	514	331	89	420
45 and over	2,586	226	2,812	2,821	233	3,054	2,901	243	3,144	2,599	233	2,832	2,855	245	3,100	2,563	247	2,810
Males	2,118	151	2,269	2,232	155	2,387	2,283	163	2,446	2,023	144	2,167	2,251	161	2,412	2,003	145	2,148
Females	468	75	543	589	78	667	618	80	698	576	89	665	604	84	688	560	102	662

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

Duration of registration and sex	Annual average		November		December	
	2012	2013	2013	2014	2013	2014
Total	6,839	7,382	7,639	6,501	7,401	6,287
Males	5,303	5,626	5,812	4,945	5,637	4,812
Females	1,536	1,756	1,827	1,556	1,764	1,475
Under 21 weeks	2,959	2,880	2,969	2,453	2,718	2,293
Males	2,145	2,026	2,084	1,727	1,890	1,629
Females	814	854	885	726	828	664
21 to 52 weeks	1,463	1,571	1,496	1,027	1,515	1,042
Males	1,135	1,182	1,113	741	1,137	762
Females	328	389	383	286	378	280
Over 1 year	2,417	2,931	3,174	3,021	3,168	2,952
Males	2,023	2,418	2,615	2,477	2,610	2,421
Females	394	513	559	544	558	531

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

Registration type and sex	Annual average				November				December			
	2012		2013		2013		2014		2013		2014	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total (Part I and II)	503	100.0	533	100.0	533	100.0	449	100.0	526	100.0	442	100.0
Males	418	83.1	444	83.3	448	84.1	377	84.0	440	83.7	370	83.7
Females	85	16.9	89	16.7	85	15.9	72	16.0	86	16.3	72	16.3
Total (Part I)	484	100.0	521	100.0	527	100.0	436	100.0	521	100.0	427	100.0
Males	402	83.1	433	83.1	442	83.9	368	84.4	435	83.5	359	84.1
Females	82	16.9	88	16.9	85	16.1	68	15.6	86	16.5	68	15.9
Total (Part II)	19	100.0	12	100.0	6	100.0	13	100.0	5	100.0	15	100.0
Males	16	84.2	11	91.7	6	100.0	9	69.2	5	100.0	11	73.3
Females	3	15.8	1	8.3	-	-	4	30.8	-	-	4	26.7

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

Occupation (ISCO 88)	Annual average 2012						Annual average 2013						November 2013						December 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	279	4.8	96	5.3	375	4.9	269	4.8	100	5.7	369	5.0
Professionals	424	8.0	58	3.8	482	7.0	444	7.9	69	3.9	513	6.9	793	13.6	206	11.3	999	13.1	769	13.6	196	11.1	965	13.0
Technicians and associate professionals	605	11.4	203	13.2	808	11.8	651	11.6	233	13.3	884	12.0	545	9.4	535	29.3	1,080	14.1	516	9.2	506	28.7	1,022	13.8
Clerks	656	12.4	537	35.0	1,193	17.4	671	11.9	596	33.9	1,267	17.2	704	12.1	413	22.6	1,117	14.6	687	12.2	392	22.2	1,079	14.6
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	893	15.4	338	18.5	1,231	16.1	859	15.2	330	18.7	1,189	16.1
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	236	4.5	1	0.1	237	3.5	254	4.5	-	-	254	3.4	257	4.4	-	-	258	3.4	264	4.7	1	0.1	265	3.6
Craft and related trade workers	822	15.5	5	0.3	827	12.1	874	15.5	9	0.5	883	12.0	973	16.7	19	1.0	992	13.0	952	16.9	19	1.1	971	13.1
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	693	13.1	87	5.7	780	11.4	720	12.8	98	5.6	818	11.1	490	8.4	90	4.9	580	7.6	472	8.4	87	4.9	559	7.6
Elementary occupations	685	12.9	105	6.8	790	11.6	721	12.8	116	6.6	837	11.3	878	15.1	129	7.1	1,007	13.2	849	15.1	133	7.5	982	13.3
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	5,812	100.0	1,827	100.0	7,639	100.0	5,637	100.0	1,764	100.0	7,401	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	November 2014						December 2014					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	239	4.8	96	6.2	335	5.2	227	4.7	80	5.4	307	4.9
Professionals	667	13.5	173	11.1	840	12.9	650	13.5	163	11.1	813	12.9
Technicians and associate professionals	475	9.6	381	24.5	856	13.2	463	9.6	344	23.3	807	12.8
Clerks and support workers	685	13.9	378	24.3	1,063	16.4	662	13.8	367	24.9	1,029	16.4
Service workers and sales workers	713	14.4	331	21.3	1,044	16.1	666	13.8	328	22.2	994	15.8
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	242	4.9	1	0.1	243	3.7	252	5.2	1	0.1	253	4.0
Crafts and related trade workers	864	17.5	30	1.9	894	13.8	849	17.6	30	2.0	879	14.0
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	411	8.3	74	4.8	485	7.5	396	8.2	73	4.9	469	7.5
Elementary occupations	649	13.1	92	5.9	741	11.4	647	13.4	89	6.0	736	11.7
Total	4,945	100.0	1,556	100.0	6,501	100.0	4,812	100.0	1,475	100.0	6,287	100.0

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

Age group and sex	Annual average 2012			Annual average 2013			November 2013			November 2014			December 2013			December 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	6,393	756	7,149	5,303	713	6,016	6,241	715	6,956	5,147	742	5,889
Males	4,349	440	4,789	4,774	492	5,266	4,934	516	5,450	4,118	481	4,599	4,829	486	5,315	4,029	501	4,530
Females	1,160	220	1,380	1,387	231	1,618	1,459	240	1,699	1,185	232	1,417	1,412	229	1,641	1,118	241	1,359
Under 20	358	37	395	345	32	377	370	30	400	207	38	245	339	31	370	181	37	218
Males	226	22	248	211	18	229	231	17	248	134	25	159	207	15	222	121	29	150
Females	132	15	147	134	14	148	139	13	152	73	13	86	132	16	148	60	8	68
20-24	526	99	625	586	101	687	611	106	717	408	104	512	581	90	671	370	111	481
Males	368	69	437	411	73	484	426	76	502	281	75	356	407	66	473	248	79	327
Females	158	30	188	175	28	203	185	30	215	127	29	156	174	24	198	122	32	154
25-29	525	94	619	575	107	682	575	111	686	477	85	562	572	98	670	440	91	531
Males	397	68	465	435	84	519	442	89	531	361	68	429	438	80	518	344	72	416
Females	128	26	154	140	23	163	133	22	155	116	17	133	134	18	152	96	19	115
30-44	1,705	217	1,922	1,960	255	2,215	2,052	270	2,322	1,722	257	1,979	2,008	255	2,263	1,691	261	1,952
Males	1,407	138	1,545	1,583	164	1,747	1,642	173	1,815	1,400	171	1,571	1,614	166	1,780	1,386	178	1,564
Females	298	79	377	377	91	468	410	97	507	322	86	408	394	89	483	305	83	388
45 and over	2,395	213	2,608	2,695	228	2,923	2,785	239	3,024	2,489	229	2,718	2,741	241	2,982	2,465	242	2,707
Males	1,951	143	2,094	2,134	153	2,287	2,193	161	2,354	1,942	142	2,084	2,163	159	2,322	1,930	143	2,073
Females	444	70	514	561	75	636	592	78	670	547	87	634	578	82	660	535	99	634

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

Duration of registration and sex	Annual average		November		December	
	2012	2013	2013	2014	2013	2014
Total	6,169	6,884	7,149	6,016	6,956	5,889
Males	4,789	5,266	5,450	4,599	5,315	4,530
Females	1,380	1,618	1,699	1,417	1,641	1,359
Under 21 weeks	2,345	2,419	2,504	2,008	2,305	1,928
Males	1,675	1,695	1,738	1,409	1,594	1,368
Females	670	724	766	599	711	560
21 to 52 weeks	1,407	1,534	1,471	987	1,483	1,009
Males	1,091	1,153	1,097	713	1,111	741
Females	316	381	374	274	372	268
Over 1 year	2,417	2,931	3,174	3,021	3,168	2,952
Males	2,023	2,418	2,615	2,477	2,610	2,421
Females	394	513	559	544	558	531

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

Occupation (ISCO 88)	Annual average 2012						Annual average 2013						November 2013						December 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	249	4.6	87	5.1	336	4.7	239	4.5	85	5.2	324	4.7
Professionals	392	8.2	52	3.8	444	7.2	418	7.9	63	3.9	481	7.0	757	13.9	193	11.4	950	13.3	731	13.8	187	11.4	918	13.2
Technicians and associate professionals	534	11.2	177	12.8	711	11.5	592	11.2	208	12.9	800	11.6	501	9.2	491	28.9	992	13.9	478	9.0	467	28.4	945	13.6
Clerks	572	11.9	482	34.9	1,054	17.1	617	11.7	545	33.7	1,162	16.9	633	11.6	380	22.4	1,013	14.2	626	11.8	356	21.7	982	14.1
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	841	15.4	318	18.7	1,159	16.2	820	15.4	315	19.2	1,135	16.3
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	223	4.7	1	0.1	224	3.6	247	4.7	-	-	247	3.6	249	4.6	1	0.1	250	3.5	253	4.8	1	0.1	254	3.7
Craft and related trade workers	748	15.6	4	0.3	752	12.2	823	15.6	9	0.6	832	12.1	917	16.8	15	0.9	932	13.0	906	17.0	18	1.1	924	13.3
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	619	12.9	79	5.7	698	11.3	675	12.8	92	5.7	767	11.1	458	8.4	88	5.2	546	7.6	443	8.3	84	5.1	527	7.6
Elementary occupations	633	13.2	97	7.0	730	11.8	693	13.2	111	6.9	804	11.7	845	15.5	126	7.4	971	13.6	819	15.4	128	7.9	947	13.6
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	5,450	100.0	1,699	100.0	7,149	100.0	5,315	100.0	1,641	100.0	6,956	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	November 2014						December 2014					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	222	4.8	82	5.8	304	5.1	209	4.6	70	5.2	279	4.7
Professionals	625	13.6	157	11.1	782	13.0	614	13.6	153	11.3	767	13.0
Technicians and associate professionals	428	9.3	346	24.4	774	12.9	417	9.2	314	23.1	731	12.4
Clerks and support workers	621	13.5	344	24.3	965	16.0	615	13.6	341	25.1	956	16.2
Service workers and sales workers	646	14.0	313	22.1	959	15.9	622	13.7	308	22.7	930	15.8
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	235	5.1	1	0.1	236	3.9	245	5.4	1	0.1	246	4.2
Crafts and related trade workers	813	17.7	28	2.0	841	14.0	812	17.9	27	2.0	839	14.2
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	384	8.3	63	4.4	447	7.4	371	8.2	63	4.6	434	7.4
Elementary occupations	625	13.6	83	5.9	708	11.8	625	13.8	82	6.0	707	12.0
Total	4,599	100.0	1,417	100.0	6,016	100.0	4,530	100.0	1,359	100.0	5,889	100.0

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

Age group and sex	Annual average 2012			Annual average 2013			November 2013			November 2014			December 2013			December 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	473	17	490	457	28	485	431	14	445	375	23	398
Males	489	25	514	348	12	360	352	10	362	329	17	346	313	9	322	272	10	282
Females	139	17	156	130	8	138	121	7	128	128	11	139	118	5	123	103	13	116
Under 20	80	2	82	54	1	55	52	-	52	53	1	54	38	1	39	34	2	36
Males	54	1	55	36	1	37	36	-	36	37	-	37	22	1	23	20	1	21
Females	26	1	27	18	-	18	16	-	16	16	1	17	16	-	16	14	1	15
20-24	118	6	124	94	4	98	97	6	103	83	8	91	91	3	94	70	4	74
Males	85	3	88	62	3	65	71	5	76	59	6	65	69	2	71	53	3	56
Females	33	3	36	32	1	33	26	1	27	24	2	26	22	1	23	17	1	18
25-29	74	6	80	62	3	65	70	3	73	69	5	74	66	3	69	58	3	61
Males	56	3	59	45	1	46	51	-	51	45	5	50	43	1	44	37	1	38
Females	18	3	21	17	2	19	19	3	22	24	-	24	23	2	25	21	2	23
30-44	165	15	180	142	7	149	138	4	142	142	10	152	122	3	125	115	9	124
Males	127	10	137	107	5	112	104	3	107	107	4	111	91	3	94	89	3	92
Females	38	5	43	35	2	37	34	1	35	35	6	41	31	-	31	26	6	32
45 and over	191	13	204	126	5	131	116	4	120	110	4	114	114	4	118	98	5	103
Males	167	8	175	98	2	100	90	2	92	81	2	83	88	2	90	73	2	75
Females	24	5	29	28	3	31	26	2	28	29	2	31	26	2	28	25	3	28

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

Duration of registration and sex	Annual average		November		December	
	2012	2013	2013	2014	2013	2014
Total	670	498	490	485	445	398
Males	514	360	362	346	322	282
Females	156	138	128	139	123	116
Under 21 weeks	614	461	465	445	413	365
Males	470	331	346	318	296	261
Females	144	130	119	127	117	104
21 to 52 weeks	56	37	25	40	32	33
Males	44	29	16	28	26	21
Females	12	8	9	12	6	12

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

Occupation (ISCO 88)	Annual average 2012						Annual average 2013						November 2013						December 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	30	8.3	9	7.0	39	8.0	30	9.3	15	12.2	45	10.1
Professionals	32	6.2	6	3.8	38	5.7	26	7.2	6	4.3	32	6.4	36	9.9	13	10.2	49	10.0	38	11.8	9	7.3	47	10.6
Technicians and associate professionals	71	13.8	26	16.7	97	14.5	59	16.4	25	18.1	84	16.9	44	12.2	44	34.4	88	18.0	38	11.8	39	31.7	77	17.3
Clerks	84	16.3	55	35.3	139	20.7	54	15.0	51	37.0	105	21.1	71	19.6	33	25.8	104	21.2	61	19.0	36	29.3	97	21.8
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	52	14.4	20	15.6	72	14.7	39	12.1	15	12.2	54	12.1
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	13	2.5	-	-	13	1.9	7	1.9	-	-	7	1.4	8	2.2	-	-	8	1.6	11	3.4	0	0.0	11	2.5
Craft and related trade workers	74	14.4	1	0.6	75	11.2	51	14.2	-	-	51	10.2	56	15.5	4	3.1	60	12.2	46	14.3	1	0.8	47	10.6
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	74	14.4	8	5.1	82	12.2	45	12.5	6	4.3	51	10.2	32	8.8	2	1.6	34	6.9	29	9.0	3	2.4	32	7.2
Elementary occupations	52	10.1	8	5.1	60	9.0	28	7.8	5	3.6	33	6.6	33	9.1	3	2.3	36	7.3	30	9.3	5	4.1	35	7.9
Total	514	100.0	156	100.0	670	100.0	360	100.0	138	100.0	498	100.0	362	100.0	128	100.0	490	100.0	322	100.0	123	100.0	445	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	November 2014						December 2014					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	17	4.9	14	10.1	31	6.4	18	6.4	10	8.6	28	7.0
Professionals	42	12.1	16	11.5	58	12.0	36	12.8	10	8.6	46	11.6
Technicians and associate professionals	47	13.6	35	25.2	82	16.9	46	16.3	30	25.9	76	19.1
Clerks and support workers	64	18.5	34	24.5	98	20.2	47	16.7	26	22.4	73	18.3
Service workers and sales workers	67	19.4	18	12.9	85	17.5	44	15.6	20	17.2	64	16.1
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	7	2.0	-	-	7	1.4	7	2.5	-	-	7	1.8
Crafts and related trade workers	51	14.7	2	1.4	53	10.9	37	13.1	3	2.6	40	10.1
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	27	7.8	11	7.9	38	7.8	25	8.9	10	8.6	35	8.8
Elementary occupations	24	6.9	9	6.5	33	6.8	22	7.8	7	6.0	29	7.3
Total	346	100.0	139	100.0	485	100.0	282	100.0	116	100.0	398	100.0

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

Sex	Annual average		July		August	
	2012	2013 revised	2013	2014	2013 revised	2014
Males	5.0	5.2	5.1	4.7	5.3	4.6
Females	2.8	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.1	2.7
Total	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.0	4.5	3.9

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

Sex	Annual average		July		August	
	2012	2013 revised	2013	2014	2013 revised	2014
Males	5.9	6.3	5.7	5.1	6.1	5.0
Females	3.7	3.9	3.8	2.9	4.0	2.8
Total	4.9	5.2	4.8	4.1	5.2	4.1

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

Sex	Annual average		July		August	
	2012	2013 revised	2013	2014	2013 revised	2014
Males	5.1	5.5	5.4	4.9	5.5	4.9
Females	3.7	4.2	4.3	4.0	4.3	4.0
Total	4.8	5.1	5.1	4.7	5.2	4.7

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

Sex	Annual average		July		August	
	2012	2013 revised	2013	2014	2013 revised	2014
Males	1.9	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3
Females	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Total	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8

Methodological Notes

1. This news release provides statistics on the number of persons registering for work with the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC).

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 September 2014 onwards do not feature in this release since administrative data on the labour supply from this month onwards are not yet available.
4. 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 I and Part II 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 I 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 I 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 I as a percentage of the sum of the full-time gainfully occupied population and registered unemployed within the specific age-bracket.
- **Part I of the unemployment register:** those registering under Part I 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 II of the unemployment register:** those registering under Part II 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 (excluding part-time employment).

6. Percentage totals may not add up due to rounding.
7. More information relating to this news release may be accessed at:
Statistical Concepts: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadata/concepts.aspx>