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In July, the number of persons registering for work stood at 3,360 compared to 5,062 in the corresponding month last year.

Registered Unemployed: July 2016

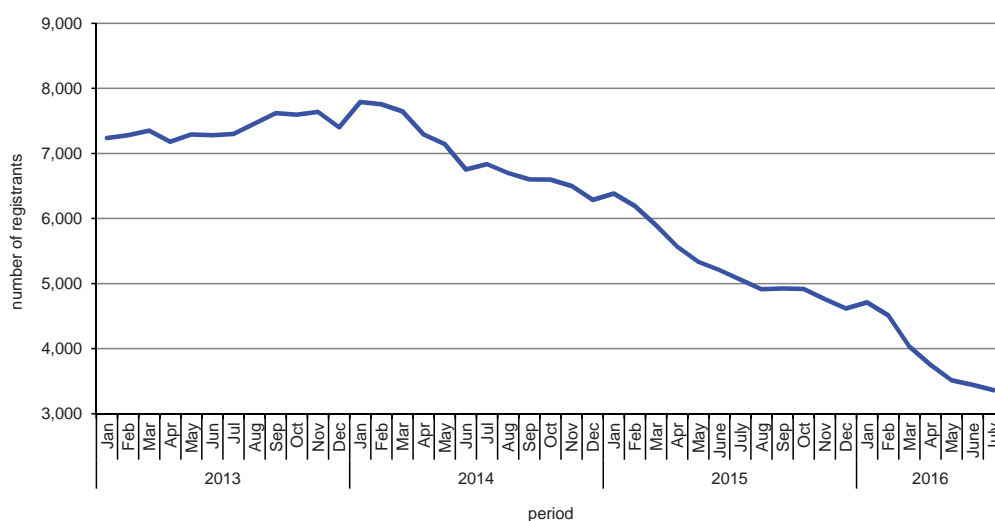
Data provided by Jobsplus for July 2016 indicate a decrease of 1,551 persons registering under Part I and a decrease of 151 among those registering under Part II of the unemployment register, when compared to July 2015 (Tables 5 and 8). Overall, decreases in registered unemployment were recorded among all age groups (Table 1).

When compared to July last year, registrants for work decreased irrespective of how long they had been registering for work. The largest decrease in registered unemployed was recorded among persons who had been registering for over one year (Table 2). The number of persons with a disability who were registering for work also decreased by 23 to 361. Males accounted for 78.1 per cent of total registrants with a disability (Table 3).

The largest share of males on the unemployment register sought occupations as clerical support workers (17.7 per cent), same as their female counterparts (31.9 per cent) (Table 4).

The registered unemployment rate in March 2016 stood at 2.2 per cent of the labour supply (excluding part-time employment), and varied from 2.6 per cent among men to 1.6 per cent among women (Table 11) ■

Chart 1. Registered unemployment



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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 2014			Annual average 2015			June 2015			June 2016			July 2015			July 2016		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Under 20	309	24	333	179	25	204	165	25	190	74	13	87	178	21	199	87	15	102
Males	193	15	208	119	18	137	104	18	122	43	11	54	113	17	130	56	12	68
Females	116	9	125	60	7	67	61	7	68	31	2	33	65	4	69	31	3	34
20-24	584	102	686	332	87	419	318	94	412	176	45	221	321	84	405	185	52	237
Males	412	74	486	226	59	285	222	68	290	121	28	149	217	56	273	121	33	154
Females	172	28	200	106	28	134	96	26	122	55	17	72	104	28	132	64	19	83
25-29	593	97	690	391	90	481	377	91	468	222	64	286	361	78	439	221	63	284
Males	442	78	520	287	68	355	270	69	339	165	40	205	258	56	314	165	38	203
Females	151	19	170	104	22	126	107	22	129	57	24	81	103	22	125	56	25	81
30-44	2,029	269	2,298	1,457	255	1,712	1,436	255	1,691	930	194	1,124	1,402	236	1,638	893	190	1,083
Males	1,624	176	1,800	1,184	176	1,360	1,160	177	1,337	746	121	867	1,128	163	1,291	717	117	834
Females	405	93	498	273	79	352	276	78	354	184	73	257	274	73	347	176	73	249
45 and over	2,733	231	2,964	2,250	229	2,479	2,223	225	2,448	1,529	194	1,723	2,174	207	2,381	1,470	184	1,654
Males	2,134	146	2,280	1,703	138	1,841	1,655	141	1,796	1,137	107	1,244	1,615	129	1,744	1,085	101	1,186
Females	599	85	684	547	91	638	568	84	652	392	87	479	559	78	637	385	83	468
Total	6,248	723	6,971	4,609	686	5,295	4,519	690	5,209	2,931	510	3,441	4,436	626	5,062	2,856	504	3,360
Males	4,805	489	5,294	3,519	459	3,978	3,411	473	3,884	2,212	307	2,519	3,331	421	3,752	2,144	301	2,445
Females	1,443	234	1,677	1,090	227	1,317	1,108	217	1,325	719	203	922	1,105	205	1,310	712	203	915

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		June		July	
	2014	2015	2015	2016	2015	2016
Under 21 weeks	2,497	1,941	1,765	1,378	1,767	1,421
Males	1,722	1,355	1,209	926	1,203	971
Females	775	586	556	452	564	450
21 to 52 weeks	1,311	906	1,021	674	948	642
Males	985	650	733	509	673	472
Females	326	256	288	165	275	170
Over 1 year	3,163	2,448	2,423	1,389	2,347	1,297
Males	2,587	1,973	1,942	1,084	1,876	1,002
Females	576	475	481	305	471	295
Total	6,971	5,295	5,209	3,441	5,062	3,360
Males	5,294	3,978	3,884	2,519	3,752	2,445
Females	1,677	1,317	1,325	922	1,310	915

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

Registration type and sex	Annual average				June				July			
	2014		2015		2015		2016		2015		2016	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total (Part I)	483	100.0	386	100.0	395	100.0	347	100.0	370	100.0	353	100.0
Males	405	83.9	309	80.1	315	79.7	269	77.5	298	80.5	277	78.5
Females	78	16.1	77	19.9	80	20.3	78	22.5	72	19.5	76	21.5
Total (Part II)	10	100.0	12	100.0	14	100.0	6	100.0	14	100.0	8	100.0
Males	7	70.0	8	66.7	11	78.6	3	50.0	11	78.6	5	62.5
Females	3	30.0	4	33.3	3	21.4	3	50.0	3	21.4	3	37.5
Total (Parts I and II)	493	100.0	398	100.0	409	100.0	353	100.0	384	100.0	361	100.0
Males	412	83.6	317	79.6	326	79.7	272	77.1	309	80.5	282	78.1
Females	81	16.4	81	20.4	83	20.3	81	22.9	75	19.5	79	21.9

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 2014						Annual average 2014 (Part 1)						Annual average 2014 (Part 2)					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	251	4.7	92	5.5	343	4.9	227	4.5	80	5.2	307	4.7	24	7.9	12	9.0	36	8.3
Professionals	695	13.1	181	10.8	876	12.6	663	13.3	168	10.9	831	12.7	32	10.6	13	9.8	45	10.3
Technicians and associate professionals	509	9.6	451	26.9	960	13.8	466	9.3	414	26.8	880	13.5	43	14.2	37	27.8	80	18.4
Clerks	703	13.3	402	24.0	1,105	15.9	646	12.9	368	23.8	1,014	15.5	57	18.9	34	25.6	91	20.9
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	783	14.8	336	20.0	1,119	16.1	738	14.8	317	20.5	1,055	16.1	45	14.9	19	14.3	64	14.7
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	258	4.9	1	0.1	259	3.7	252	5.0	1	0.1	253	3.9	6	2.0	-	-	6	1.4
Craft and related trade workers	901	17.0	26	1.6	927	13.3	859	17.2	24	1.6	883	13.5	42	13.9	2	1.5	44	10.1
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	447	8.4	84	5.0	531	7.6	422	8.5	76	4.9	498	7.6	25	8.3	8	6.0	33	7.6
Elementary occupations	747	14.1	104	6.2	851	12.2	719	14.4	96	6.2	815	12.5	28	9.3	8	6.0	36	8.3
Total	5,294	100.0	1,677	100.0	6,971	100.0	4,992	100.0	1,544	100.0	6,536	100.0	302	100.0	133	100.0	435	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	Annual average 2015						June 2015						July 2015					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	207	5.2	77	5.8	284	5.4	192	4.9	74	5.6	266	5.1	188	5.0	63	4.8	251	5.0
Professionals	543	13.7	145	11.0	688	13.0	524	13.5	141	10.6	665	12.8	525	14.0	153	11.7	678	13.4
Technicians and associate professionals	377	9.5	292	22.2	669	12.6	353	9.1	290	21.9	643	12.3	351	9.4	309	23.6	660	13.0
Clerical support workers	585	14.7	356	27.0	941	17.8	575	14.8	372	28.1	947	18.2	557	14.8	360	27.5	917	18.1
Service workers and sales workers	520	13.1	292	22.2	812	15.3	503	13.0	294	22.2	797	15.3	464	12.4	274	20.9	738	14.6
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	222	5.6	1	0.1	223	4.2	226	5.8	2	0.2	228	4.4	213	5.7	2	0.2	215	4.2
Crafts and related trade workers	710	17.8	30	2.3	740	14.0	723	18.6	32	2.4	755	14.5	683	18.2	30	2.3	713	14.1
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	299	7.5	57	4.3	356	6.7	279	7.2	60	4.5	339	6.5	282	7.5	61	4.7	343	6.8
Elementary occupations	515	12.9	67	5.1	582	11.0	509	13.1	60	4.5	569	10.9	489	13.0	58	4.4	547	10.8
Total	3,978	100.0	1,317	100.0	5,295	100.0	3,884	100.0	1,325	100.0	5,209	100.0	3,752	100.0	1,310	100.0	5,062	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	June 2016						July 2016					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	126	5.0	50	5.4	176	5.1	125	5.1	46	5.0	171	5.1
Professionals	387	15.4	106	11.5	493	14.3	370	15.1	115	12.6	485	14.4
Technicians and associate professionals	258	10.2	173	18.8	431	12.5	258	10.6	163	17.8	421	12.5
Clerical support workers	420	16.7	298	32.3	718	20.9	433	17.7	292	31.9	725	21.6
Service workers and sales workers	320	12.7	212	23.0	532	15.5	312	12.8	218	23.8	530	15.8
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	142	5.6	1	0.1	143	4.2	132	5.4	1	0.1	133	4.0
Crafts and related trade workers	429	17.0	18	2.0	447	13.0	403	16.5	17	1.9	420	12.5
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	180	7.1	40	4.3	220	6.4	173	7.1	38	4.2	211	6.3
Elementary occupations	257	10.2	24	2.6	281	8.2	239	9.8	25	2.7	264	7.9
Total	2,519	100.0	922	100.0	3,441	100.0	2,445	100.0	915	100.0	3,360	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 2014			Annual average 2015			June 2015			June 2016			July 2015			July 2016		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Under 20	263	24	287	140	24	164	134	22	156	52	13	65	140	19	159	64	14	78
Males	167	15	182	94	17	111	88	16	104	33	11	44	87	15	102	41	11	52
Females	96	9	105	46	7	53	46	6	52	19	2	21	53	4	57	23	3	26
20-24	503	98	601	256	80	336	244	89	333	127	42	169	238	74	312	137	44	181
Males	356	72	428	173	54	227	166	63	229	90	25	115	156	50	206	92	28	120
Females	147	26	173	83	26	109	78	26	104	37	17	54	82	24	106	45	16	61
25-29	537	95	632	334	86	420	317	88	405	177	64	241	297	75	372	175	60	235
Males	404	76	480	248	64	312	231	66	297	134	40	174	220	53	273	131	37	168
Females	133	19	152	86	22	108	86	22	108	43	24	67	77	22	99	44	23	67
30-44	1,908	262	2,170	1,332	243	1,575	1,305	243	1,548	832	187	1,019	1,271	222	1,493	803	180	983
Males	1,539	173	1,712	1,087	167	1,254	1,050	168	1,218	668	117	785	1,021	152	1,173	645	110	755
Females	369	89	458	245	76	321	255	75	330	164	70	234	250	70	320	158	70	228
45 and over	2,619	227	2,846	2,141	220	2,361	2,101	219	2,320	1,462	181	1,643	2,066	198	2,264	1,404	168	1,572
Males	2,046	144	2,190	1,620	131	1,751	1,561	138	1,699	1,089	101	1,190	1,533	123	1,656	1,042	90	1,132
Females	573	83	656	521	89	610	540	81	621	373	80	453	533	75	608	362	78	440
Total	5,830	706	6,536	4,203	653	4,856	4,101	661	4,762	2,650	487	3,137	4,012	588	4,600	2,583	466	3,049
Males	4,512	480	4,992	3,222	433	3,655	3,096	451	3,547	2,014	294	2,308	3,017	393	3,410	1,951	276	2,227
Females	1,318	226	1,544	981	220	1,201	1,005	210	1,215	636	193	829	995	195	1,190	632	190	822

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		June		July	
	2014	2015	2015	2016	2015	2016
Under 21 weeks	2,091	1,528	1,339	1,087	1,330	1,125
Males	1,442	1,053	892	727	883	766
Females	649	475	447	360	447	359
21 to 52 weeks	1,282	880	1,000	661	923	627
Males	963	629	713	497	651	459
Females	319	251	287	164	272	168
Over 1 year	3,163	2,448	2,423	1,389	2,347	1,297
Males	2,587	1,973	1,942	1,084	1,876	1,002
Females	576	475	481	305	471	295
Total	6,536	4,856	4,762	3,137	4,600	3,049
Males	4,992	3,655	3,547	2,308	3,410	2,227
Females	1,544	1,201	1,215	829	1,190	822

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

Occupation (ISCO 08)	Annual average 2015						June 2015						July 2015					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	182	5.0	64	5.3	246	5.1	164	4.6	63	5.2	227	4.8	166	4.9	52	4.4	218	4.7
Professionals	502	13.7	129	10.7	631	13.0	477	13.4	120	9.9	597	12.5	484	14.2	132	11.1	616	13.4
Technicians and associate professionals	337	9.2	265	22.0	602	12.4	320	9.0	265	21.8	585	12.3	306	9.0	271	22.8	577	12.5
Clerical support workers	540	14.8	329	27.4	869	17.9	530	14.9	345	28.4	875	18.4	513	15.0	340	28.6	853	18.5
Service workers and sales workers	473	12.9	270	22.4	743	15.3	457	12.9	278	22.9	735	15.4	417	12.2	255	21.4	672	14.6
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	211	5.8	1	0.1	212	4.4	215	6.1	2	0.2	217	4.6	203	6.0	2	0.2	205	4.5
Crafts and related trade workers	645	17.6	28	2.3	673	13.8	640	18.0	29	2.4	669	14.0	605	17.7	29	2.4	634	13.8
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	276	7.5	54	4.5	330	6.8	259	7.3	55	4.5	314	6.6	255	7.5	58	4.9	313	6.8
Elementary occupations	489	13.4	61	5.1	550	11.3	485	13.7	58	4.8	543	11.4	461	13.5	51	4.3	512	11.1
Total	3,655	100.0	1,201	100.0	4,856	100.0	3,547	100.0	1,215	100.0	4,762	100.0	3,410	100.0	1,190	100.0	4,600	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	June 2016						July 2016					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	107	4.6	44	5.3	151	4.8	109	4.9	44	5.4	153	5.0
Professionals	357	15.5	100	12.1	457	14.6	336	15.1	100	12.2	436	14.3
Technicians and associate professionals	227	9.8	158	19.1	385	12.3	235	10.6	143	17.4	378	12.4
Clerical support workers	383	16.6	262	31.6	645	20.6	387	17.4	264	32.1	651	21.4
Service workers and sales workers	296	12.8	195	23.5	491	15.7	282	12.7	202	24.6	484	15.9
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	131	5.7	1	0.1	132	4.2	123	5.5	1	0.1	124	4.1
Crafts and related trade workers	400	17.3	15	1.8	415	13.2	371	16.7	14	1.7	385	12.6
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	165	7.1	31	3.7	196	6.2	159	7.1	31	3.8	190	6.2
Elementary occupations	242	10.5	23	2.8	265	8.4	225	10.1	23	2.8	248	8.1
Total	2,308	100.0	829	100.0	3,137	100.0	2,227	100.0	822	100.0	3,049	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 2014			Annual average 2015			June 2015			June 2016			July 2015			July 2016		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Under 20	46	-	46	39	1	40	31	3	34	22	-	22	38	2	40	23	1	24
Males	26	-	26	25	1	26	16	2	18	10	-	10	26	2	28	15	1	16
Females	20	-	20	14	-	14	15	1	16	12	-	12	12	-	12	8	-	8
20-24	81	4	85	76	7	83	74	5	79	49	3	52	83	10	93	48	8	56
Males	56	2	58	53	5	58	56	5	61	31	3	34	61	6	67	29	5	34
Females	25	2	27	23	2	25	18	-	18	18	-	18	22	4	26	19	3	22
25-29	56	2	58	57	4	61	60	3	63	45	-	45	64	3	67	46	3	49
Males	38	2	40	39	4	43	39	3	42	31	-	31	38	3	41	34	1	35
Females	18	-	18	18	-	18	21	-	21	14	-	14	26	-	26	12	2	14
30-44	121	7	128	125	12	137	131	12	143	98	7	105	131	14	145	90	10	100
Males	85	3	88	97	9	106	110	9	119	78	4	82	107	11	118	72	7	79
Females	36	4	40	28	3	31	21	3	24	20	3	23	24	3	27	18	3	21
45 and over	114	4	118	109	9	118	122	6	128	67	13	80	108	9	117	66	16	82
Males	88	2	90	83	7	90	94	3	97	48	6	54	82	6	88	43	11	54
Females	26	2	28	26	2	28	28	3	31	19	7	26	26	3	29	23	5	28
Total	418	17	435	406	33	439	418	29	447	281	23	304	424	38	462	273	38	311
Males	293	9	302	297	26	323	315	22	337	198	13	211	314	28	342	193	25	218
Females	125	8	133	109	7	116	103	7	110	83	10	93	110	10	120	80	13	93

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

Duration of registration and sex	Annual average		June		July	
	2014	2015	2015	2016	2015	2016
Under 21 weeks	406	413	426	291	437	296
Males	280	302	317	199	320	205
Females	126	111	109	92	117	91
21 to 52 weeks	29	26	21	13	25	15
Males	22	21	20	12	22	13
Females	7	5	1	1	3	2
Total	435	439	447	304	462	311
Males	302	323	337	211	342	218
Females	133	116	110	93	120	93

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

Occupation (ISCO 08)	Annual average 2015						June 2015						July 2015					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	25	7.7	13	11.2	38	8.7	28	8.3	11	10.0	39	8.7	22	6.4	11	9.2	33	7.1
Professionals	41	12.7	16	13.8	57	13.0	47	13.9	21	19.1	68	15.2	41	12.0	21	17.5	62	13.4
Technicians and associate professionals	40	12.4	27	23.3	67	15.3	33	9.8	25	22.7	58	13.0	45	13.2	38	31.7	83	18.0
Clerical support workers	45	13.9	27	23.3	72	16.4	45	13.4	27	24.5	72	16.1	44	12.9	20	16.7	64	13.9
Service workers and sales workers	47	14.6	22	19.0	69	15.7	46	13.6	16	14.5	62	13.9	47	13.7	19	15.8	66	14.3
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	11	3.4	-	-	11	2.5	11	3.3	-	-	11	2.5	10	2.9	-	-	10	2.2
Crafts and related trade workers	65	20.1	2	1.7	67	15.3	83	24.6	3	2.7	86	19.2	78	22.8	1	0.8	79	17.1
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	23	7.1	3	2.6	26	5.9	20	5.9	5	4.5	25	5.6	27	7.9	3	2.5	30	6.5
Elementary occupations	26	8.0	6	5.2	32	7.3	24	7.1	2	1.8	26	5.8	28	8.2	7	5.8	35	7.6
Total	323	100.0	116	100.0	439	100.0	337	100.0	110	100.0	447	100.0	342	100.0	120	100.0	462	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	June 2016						July 2016					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	19	9.0	6	6.5	25	8.2	16	7.3	2	2.2	18	5.8
Professionals	30	14.2	6	6.5	36	11.8	34	15.6	15	16.1	49	15.8
Technicians and associate professionals	31	14.7	15	16.1	46	15.1	23	10.6	20	21.5	43	13.8
Clerical support workers	37	17.5	36	38.7	73	24.0	46	21.1	28	30.1	74	23.8
Service workers and sales workers	24	11.4	17	18.3	41	13.5	30	13.8	16	17.2	46	14.8
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	11	5.2	-	-	11	3.6	9	4.1	-	-	9	2.9
Crafts and related trade workers	29	13.7	3	3.2	32	10.5	32	14.7	3	3.2	35	11.3
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	15	7.1	9	9.7	24	7.9	14	6.4	7	7.5	21	6.8
Elementary occupations	15	7.1	1	1.1	16	5.3	14	6.4	2	2.2	16	5.1
Total	211	100.0	93	100.0	304	100.0	218	100.0	93	100.0	311	100.0

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

Sex	Annual average		February		March	
	2014	2015 revised	2015	2016	2015 revised	2016
Males	4.8	3.5	4.2	3.0	4.0	2.6
Females	2.8	2.1	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.6
Total	4.1	3.0	3.5	2.5	3.4	2.2

Table 12. Registered unemployment (Part I) rate by age group and sex

Sex	Annual average		February		March	
	2014	2015 revised	2015	2016	2015 revised	2016
under 25						
Males	5.4	3.1	4.0	2.3	3.6	2.0
Females	3.2	1.9	2.4	1.3	2.3	1.1
Total	4.4	2.5	3.3	1.8	3.0	1.6
45 and over						
Males	5.2	4.1	4.7	3.7	4.4	3.2
Females	4.1	3.6	4.0	3.1	3.9	2.9
Total	4.9	3.9	4.5	3.5	4.3	3.1

Table 13. Long-term registered unemployment (Part I) rate by sex

Sex	Annual average		February		March	
	2014	2015 revised	2015	2016	2015 revised	2016
Males	2.4	1.8	2.0	1.5	1.9	1.1
Females	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.5
Total	1.9	1.4	1.6	1.1	1.5	0.9

Methodological Notes

1. This news release provides data on the number of persons registering for work with Jobsplus.

The National Statistics Office publishes, on a quarterly basis, another set of statistics on unemployment based on the Labour Force Survey (LFS). When compiling LFS statistics, the NSO 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 Jobsplus 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. As from the release published on 23 February 2016, annual average results are being worked out using a custom made application which takes into consideration more data points to work out the mean for the year. As a consequence there are slight differences between the average levels using the previous editions of this news release and the averages being displayed from this edition for the same time period.
3. The monthly unemployment rates from April 2016 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.

5. **Definitions:**

- **Registered unemployment rate:** refers to 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.
- In computing the registered 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 are not taken into account in this computation.
- Registered unemployment rates are not comparable with LFS unemployment rates due to different sources of data collection. While LFS rates are based on sample survey estimates, registered unemployment rates are based on Jobsplus data (registered unemployment data and registered full time gainfully occupied).
- **Long-term registered 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 number of the long-term unemployed under Part I as a percentage of the labour force.
- **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 individuals 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 out 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:** for the purpose of this release, the labour supply is the sum of 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. The data on unemployment levels is final and not normally subject to revision.
8. More information relating to this news release may be accessed at:

Statistical Concepts: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadata/concepts.aspx>

Classification: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadata/classificationdetails.aspx?id=ISCO 2008>