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In September, the number of persons registering for work stood at 3,207 compared to 4,924 in the corresponding month last year.

Registered Unemployed: September 2016

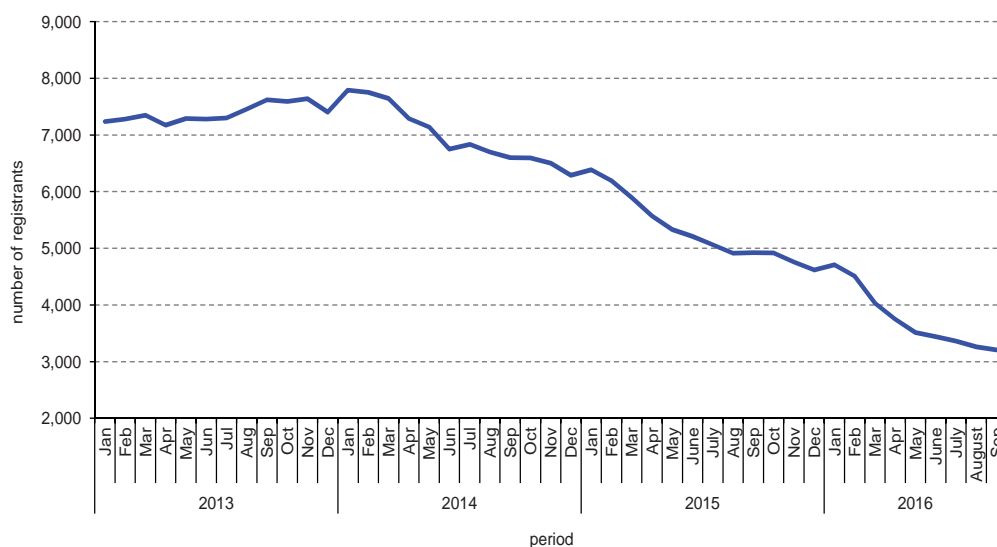
Data provided by Jobsplus for September indicate a decrease of 1,503 persons registering under Part I and a decrease of 214 among those registering under Part II of the unemployment register, when compared to September 2015 (Tables 5 and 8). Overall, decreases in registered unemployment were recorded among all age groups (Table 1).

When compared to September last year, registrants for work decreased irrespective of how long they had been registering. The largest decrease 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 375. Males accounted for 77.6 per cent of total registrants with a disability (Table 3).

The largest share of males and females on the unemployment register sought occupations as clerical support workers with 18.0 per cent and 32.9 per cent respectively (Table 4).

The registered unemployment rate in April 2016 stood at 2.1 per cent of the labour supply, (excluding part-time employment), and varied from 2.4 per cent among men to 1.5 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			August 2015			August 2016			September 2015			September 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	173	20	193	79	13	92	176	21	197	85	16	101
Males	193	15	208	119	18	137	112	16	128	51	11	62	113	14	127	63	13	76
Females	116	9	125	60	7	67	61	4	65	28	2	30	63	7	70	22	3	25
20-24	584	102	686	332	87	419	295	84	379	181	53	234	299	83	382	170	47	217
Males	412	74	486	226	59	285	191	57	248	113	31	144	198	54	252	109	28	137
Females	172	28	200	106	28	134	104	27	131	68	22	90	101	29	130	61	19	80
25-29	593	97	690	391	90	481	339	82	421	202	65	267	345	87	432	210	65	275
Males	442	78	520	287	68	355	237	60	297	141	41	182	247	63	310	152	41	193
Females	151	19	170	104	22	126	102	22	124	61	24	85	98	24	122	58	24	82
30-44	2,029	269	2,298	1,457	255	1,712	1,343	241	1,584	875	182	1,057	1,339	237	1,576	853	187	1,040
Males	1,624	176	1,800	1,184	176	1,360	1,087	170	1,257	691	111	802	1,085	167	1,252	681	113	794
Females	405	93	498	273	79	352	256	71	327	184	71	255	254	70	324	172	74	246
45 and over	2,733	231	2,964	2,250	229	2,479	2,125	212	2,337	1,434	177	1,611	2,125	212	2,337	1,399	175	1,574
Males	2,134	146	2,280	1,703	138	1,841	1,575	129	1,704	1,053	95	1,148	1,588	132	1,720	1,006	93	1,099
Females	599	85	684	547	91	638	550	83	633	381	82	463	537	80	617	393	82	475
Total	6,248	723	6,971	4,609	686	5,295	4,275	639	4,914	2,771	490	3,261	4,284	640	4,924	2,717	490	3,207
Males	4,805	489	5,294	3,519	459	3,978	3,202	432	3,634	2,049	289	2,338	3,231	430	3,661	2,011	288	2,299
Females	1,443	234	1,677	1,090	227	1,317	1,073	207	1,280	722	201	923	1,053	210	1,263	706	202	908

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		August		September	
	2014	2015	2015	2016	2015	2016
Under 21 weeks	2,497	1,941	1,737	1,406	1,809	1,380
Males	1,722	1,355	1,174	953	1,246	943
Females	775	586	563	453	563	437
21 to 52 weeks	1,311	906	860	618	817	594
Males	985	650	602	435	578	418
Females	326	256	258	183	239	176
Over 1 year	3,163	2,448	2,317	1,237	2,298	1,233
Males	2,587	1,973	1,858	950	1,837	938
Females	576	475	459	287	461	295
Total	6,971	5,295	4,914	3,261	4,924	3,207
Males	5,294	3,978	3,634	2,338	3,661	2,299
Females	1,677	1,317	1,280	923	1,263	908

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				August				September			
	2014		2015		2015		2016		2015		2016	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Total (Part I)	483	100.0	386	100.0	384	100.0	353	100.0	384	100.0	373	100.0
Males	405	83.9	309	80.1	313	81.5	273	77.3	310	80.7	291	78.0
Females	78	16.1	77	19.9	71	18.5	80	22.7	74	19.3	82	22.0
Total (Part II)	10	100.0	12	100.0	18	100.0	9	100.0	14	100.0	2	100.0
Males	7	70.0	8	66.7	15	83.3	7	77.8	12	85.7	-	-
Females	3	30.0	4	33.3	3	16.7	2	22.2	2	14.3	2	100.0
Total (Parts I and II)	493	100.0	398	100.0	402	100.0	362	100.0	398	100.0	375	100.0
Males	412	83.6	317	79.6	328	81.6	280	77.3	322	80.9	291	77.6
Females	81	16.4	81	20.4	74	18.4	82	22.7	76	19.1	84	22.4

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						August 2015						September 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	194	5.3	77	6.0	271	5.5	203	5.5	78	6.2	281	5.7
Professionals	543	13.7	145	11.0	688	13.0	482	13.3	159	12.4	641	13.0	498	13.6	161	12.7	659	13.4
Technicians and associate professionals	377	9.5	292	22.2	669	12.6	337	9.3	284	22.2	621	12.6	343	9.4	265	21.0	608	12.3
Clerical support workers	585	14.7	356	27.0	941	17.8	563	15.5	346	27.0	909	18.5	537	14.7	341	27.0	878	17.8
Service workers and sales workers	520	13.1	292	22.2	812	15.3	438	12.1	275	21.5	713	14.5	464	12.7	278	22.0	742	15.1
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	222	5.6	1	0.1	223	4.2	210	5.8	1	0.1	211	4.3	208	5.7	2	0.2	210	4.3
Crafts and related trade workers	710	17.8	30	2.3	740	14.0	654	18.0	24	1.9	678	13.8	657	17.9	23	1.8	680	13.8
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	299	7.5	57	4.3	356	6.7	273	7.5	54	4.2	327	6.7	278	7.6	56	4.4	334	6.8
Elementary occupations	515	12.9	67	5.1	582	11.0	483	13.3	60	4.7	543	11.1	473	12.9	59	4.7	532	10.8
Total	3,978	100.0	1,317	100.0	5,295	100.0	3,634	100.0	1,280	100.0	4,914	100.0	3,661	100.0	1,263	100.0	4,924	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	August 2016						September 2016					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	121	5.2	42	4.6	163	5.0	120	5.2	41	4.5	161	5
Professionals	348	14.9	105	11.4	453	13.9	329	14.3	102	11.2	431	13.4
Technicians and associate professionals	237	10.1	168	18.2	405	12.4	247	10.7	152	16.7	399	12.4
Clerical support workers	414	17.7	301	32.6	715	21.9	413	18.0	299	32.9	712	22.2
Service workers and sales workers	288	12.3	233	25.2	521	16.0	282	12.3	236	26	518	16.2
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	125	5.3	-	-	125	3.8	124	5.4	-	-	124	3.9
Crafts and related trade workers	390	16.7	9	1.0	399	12.2	392	17.1	8	0.9	400	12.5
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	179	7.7	39	4.2	218	6.7	173	7.5	41	4.5	214	6.7
Elementary occupations	236	10.1	26	2.8	262	8.0	219	9.5	29	3.2	248	7.7
Total	2,338	100.0	923	100.0	3,261	100.0	2,299	100.0	908	100	3,207	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			August 2015			August 2016			September 2015			September 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	129	17	146	59	12	71	123	18	141	62	16	78
Males	167	15	182	94	17	111	87	13	100	36	10	46	82	12	94	45	13	58
Females	96	9	105	46	7	53	42	4	46	23	2	25	41	6	47	17	3	20
20-24	503	98	601	256	80	336	204	73	277	128	49	177	211	73	284	130	43	173
Males	356	72	428	173	54	227	133	49	182	82	29	111	143	49	192	85	26	111
Females	147	26	173	83	26	109	71	24	95	46	20	66	68	24	92	45	17	62
25-29	537	95	632	334	86	420	273	74	347	156	62	218	276	78	354	169	61	230
Males	404	76	480	248	64	312	196	52	248	112	39	151	203	55	258	122	39	161
Females	133	19	152	86	22	108	77	22	99	44	23	67	73	23	96	47	22	69
30-44	1,908	262	2,170	1,332	243	1,575	1,211	213	1,424	771	171	942	1,203	214	1,417	753	177	930
Males	1,539	173	1,712	1,087	167	1,254	982	147	1,129	616	102	718	988	149	1,137	600	105	705
Females	369	89	458	245	76	321	229	66	295	155	69	224	215	65	280	153	72	225
45 and over	2,619	227	2,846	2,141	220	2,361	2,002	192	2,194	1,355	165	1,520	2,025	192	2,217	1,334	165	1,499
Males	2,046	144	2,190	1,620	131	1,751	1,477	113	1,590	988	89	1,077	1,513	114	1,627	959	88	1,047
Females	573	83	656	521	89	610	525	79	604	367	76	443	512	78	590	375	77	452
Total	5,830	706	6,536	4,203	653	4,856	3,819	569	4,388	2,469	459	2,928	3,838	575	4,413	2,448	462	2,910
Males	4,512	480	4,992	3,222	433	3,655	2,875	374	3,249	1,834	269	2,103	2,929	379	3,308	1,811	271	2,082
Females	1,318	226	1,544	981	220	1,201	944	195	1,139	635	190	825	909	196	1,105	637	191	828

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		August		September	
	2014	2015	2015	2016	2015	2016
Under 21 weeks	2,091	1,528	1,246	1,089	1,323	1,101
Males	1,442	1,053	818	729	912	738
Females	649	475	428	360	411	363
21 to 52 weeks	1,282	880	825	602	792	576
Males	963	629	573	424	559	406
Females	319	251	252	178	233	170
Over 1 year	3,163	2,448	2,317	1,237	2,298	1,233
Males	2,587	1,973	1,858	950	1,837	938
Females	576	475	459	287	461	295
Total	6,536	4,856	4,388	2,928	4,413	2,910
Males	4,992	3,655	3,249	2,103	3,308	2,082
Females	1,544	1,201	1,139	825	1,105	828

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						August 2015						September 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	5.0	60	5.3	224	5.1	178	5.4	63	5.7	241	5.5
Professionals	502	13.7	129	10.7	631	13.0	439	13.5	141	12.4	580	13.2	457	13.8	139	12.6	596	13.5
Technicians and associate professionals	337	9.2	265	22.0	602	12.4	296	9.1	254	22.3	550	12.5	298	9.0	232	21.0	530	12.0
Clerical support workers	540	14.8	329	27.4	869	17.9	504	15.5	313	27.5	817	18.6	491	14.8	305	27.6	796	18.0
Service workers and sales workers	473	12.9	270	22.4	743	15.3	392	12.1	248	21.8	640	14.6	416	12.6	243	22.0	659	14.9
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	211	5.8	1	0.1	212	4.4	193	5.9	1	0.1	194	4.4	194	5.9	2	0.2	196	4.4
Crafts and related trade workers	645	17.6	28	2.3	673	13.8	567	17.5	23	2.0	590	13.4	578	17.5	22	2.0	600	13.6
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	276	7.5	54	4.5	330	6.8	245	7.5	49	4.3	294	6.7	254	7.7	49	4.4	303	6.9
Elementary occupations	489	13.4	61	5.1	550	11.3	449	13.8	50	4.4	499	11.4	442	13.4	50	4.5	492	11.1
Total	3,655	100.0	1,201	100.0	4,856	100.0	3,249	100.0	1,139	100.0	4,388	100.0	3,308	100.0	1,105	100.0	4,413	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	August 2016						September 2016					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	108	5.1	38	4.6	146	5.0	111	5.3	34	4.1	145	5.0
Professionals	311	14.8	92	11.2	403	13.8	302	14.5	93	11.2	395	13.6
Technicians and associate professionals	212	10.1	144	17.5	356	12.2	215	10.3	140	16.9	355	12.2
Clerical support workers	362	17.2	277	33.6	639	21.8	371	17.8	277	33.5	648	22.3
Service workers and sales workers	260	12.4	213	25.8	473	16.2	254	12.2	215	26.0	469	16.1
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	119	5.7	-	-	119	4.1	120	5.8	-	-	120	4.1
Crafts and related trade workers	353	16.8	7	0.8	360	12.3	347	16.7	8	1.0	355	12.2
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	158	7.5	31	3.8	189	6.5	157	7.5	34	4.1	191	6.6
Elementary occupations	220	10.5	23	2.8	243	8.3	205	9.8	27	3.3	232	8.0
Total	2,103	100.0	825	100.0	2,928	100.0	2,082	100.0	828	100.0	2,910	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			August 2015			August 2016			September 2015			September 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	44	3	47	20	1	21	53	3	56	23	-	23
Males	26	-	26	25	1	26	25	3	28	15	1	16	31	2	33	18	-	18
Females	20	-	20	14	-	14	19	-	19	5	-	5	22	1	23	5	-	5
20-24	81	4	85	76	7	83	91	11	102	53	4	57	88	10	98	40	4	44
Males	56	2	58	53	5	58	58	8	66	31	2	33	55	5	60	24	2	26
Females	25	2	27	23	2	25	33	3	36	22	2	24	33	5	38	16	2	18
25-29	56	2	58	57	4	61	66	8	74	46	3	49	69	9	78	41	4	45
Males	38	2	40	39	4	43	41	8	49	29	2	31	44	8	52	30	2	32
Females	18	-	18	18	-	18	25	-	25	17	1	18	25	1	26	11	2	13
30-44	121	7	128	125	12	137	132	28	160	104	11	115	136	23	159	100	10	110
Males	85	3	88	97	9	106	105	23	128	75	9	84	97	18	115	81	8	89
Females	36	4	40	28	3	31	27	5	32	29	2	31	39	5	44	19	2	21
45 and over	114	4	118	109	9	118	123	20	143	79	12	91	100	20	120	65	10	75
Males	88	2	90	83	7	90	98	16	114	65	6	71	75	18	93	47	5	52
Females	26	2	28	26	2	28	25	4	29	14	6	20	25	2	27	18	5	23
Total	418	17	435	406	33	439	456	70	526	302	31	333	446	65	511	269	28	297
Males	293	9	302	297	26	323	327	58	385	215	20	235	302	51	353	200	17	217
Females	125	8	133	109	7	116	129	12	141	87	11	98	144	14	158	69	11	80

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		August		September	
	2014	2015	2015	2016	2015	2016
Under 21 weeks	406	413	491	317	486	279
Males	280	302	356	224	334	205
Females	126	111	135	93	152	74
21 to 52 weeks	29	26	35	16	25	18
Males	22	21	29	11	19	12
Females	7	5	6	5	6	6
Total	435	439	526	333	511	297
Males	302	323	385	235	353	217
Females	133	116	141	98	158	80

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						August 2015						September 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	30	7.8	17	12.1	47	8.9	25	7.1	15	9.5	40	7.8
Professionals	41	12.7	16	13.8	57	13.0	43	11.2	18	12.8	61	11.6	41	11.6	22	13.9	63	12.3
Technicians and associate professionals	40	12.4	27	23.3	67	15.3	41	10.6	30	21.3	71	13.5	45	12.7	33	20.9	78	15.3
Clerical support workers	45	13.9	27	23.3	72	16.4	59	15.3	33	23.4	92	17.5	46	13.0	36	22.8	82	16.0
Service workers and sales workers	47	14.6	22	19.0	69	15.7	46	11.9	27	19.1	73	13.9	48	13.6	35	22.2	83	16.2
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	11	3.4	-	-	11	2.5	17	4.4	-	-	17	3.2	14	4.0	-	-	14	2.7
Crafts and related trade workers	65	20.1	2	1.7	67	15.3	87	22.6	1	0.7	88	16.7	79	22.4	1	0.6	80	15.7
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	23	7.1	3	2.6	26	5.9	28	7.3	5	3.5	33	6.3	24	6.8	7	4.4	31	6.1
Elementary occupations	26	8.0	6	5.2	32	7.3	34	8.8	10	7.1	44	8.4	31	8.8	9	5.7	40	7.8
Total	323	100.0	116	100.0	439	100.0	385	100.0	141	100.0	526	100.0	353	100.0	158	100.0	511	100.0

Occupation (ISCO 08)	August 2016						September 2016					
	Males		Females		Total		Males		Females		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Managers	13	5.5	4	4.1	17	5.1	9	4.1	7	8.8	16	5.4
Professionals	37	15.7	13	13.3	50	15.0	27	12.4	9	11.3	36	12.1
Technicians and associate professionals	25	10.6	24	24.5	49	14.7	32	14.7	12	15	44	14.8
Clerical support workers	52	22.1	24	24.5	76	22.8	42	19.4	22	27.5	64	21.5
Service workers and sales workers	28	11.9	20	20.4	48	14.4	28	12.9	21	26.3	49	16.5
Skilled agricultural, fishery and forestry workers	6	2.6	-	-	6	1.8	4	1.8	-	-	4	1.3
Crafts and related trade workers	37	15.7	2	2.0	39	11.7	45	20.7	-	-	45	15.2
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	21	8.9	8	8.2	29	8.7	16	7.4	7	8.8	23	7.7
Elementary occupations	16	6.8	3	3.1	19	5.7	14	6.5	2	2.5	16	5.4
Total	235	100.0	98	100.0	333	100.0	217	100.0	80	100.0	297	100.0

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

Sex	Annual average		March		April	
	2014	2015 revised	2015	2016	2015 revised	2016
Males	4.8	3.5	4.0	2.6	3.7	2.4
Females	2.8	2.1	2.3	1.6	2.2	1.5
Total	4.1	3.0	3.4	2.2	3.2	2.1

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

Sex	Annual average		March		April	
	2014	2015 revised	2015	2016	2015 revised	2016
under 25						
Males	5.4	3.1	3.6	2.0	3.3	1.7
Females	3.2	1.9	2.3	1.1	2.1	1.1
Total	4.4	2.5	3.0	1.6	2.8	1.5
45 and over						
Males	5.2	4.1	4.4	3.2	4.2	3.0
Females	4.1	3.6	3.9	2.9	3.7	2.7
Total	4.9	3.9	4.3	3.1	4.1	2.9

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

Sex	Annual average		March		April	
	2014	2015 revised	2015	2016	2015 revised	2016
Males	2.4	1.8	1.9	1.1	1.9	1.0
Females	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.5
Total	1.9	1.4	1.5	0.9	1.5	0.8

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 May 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>