

Employment

The Midland region accounts for **5.8%** of employment in Ireland (134,200 persons)

Top 5 Sectors	Total employed	Q1-Q3 2020
Industry	20,900	+7% ▲
Wholesale & retail	19,400	-10% ▼
Health	16,700	-4% ▼
Public Admin	10,100	+33% ▲
Accommodation & Food	9,700	-10% ▼

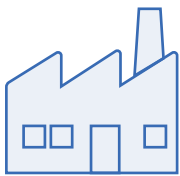
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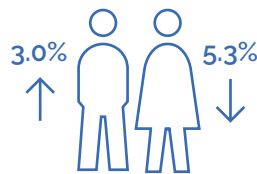
Impact of COVID-19 on the Midland region

(from Q1 2020 to Q3 2020)

Employment



↓ 0.8%
Employment fell by **1,100 persons (0.8%)**



Male employment grew by 2,200 (3.0%) whereas female employment declined by 3,200 (5.3%)

Work Force



61.1%
The labour force participation rate increased from 60.4% in Q1 to **61.1% in Q3**

Wholesale and Retail Sector



The wholesale & retail sector saw the largest absolute decline in employment (**2,100 persons** or a **10% decrease**)

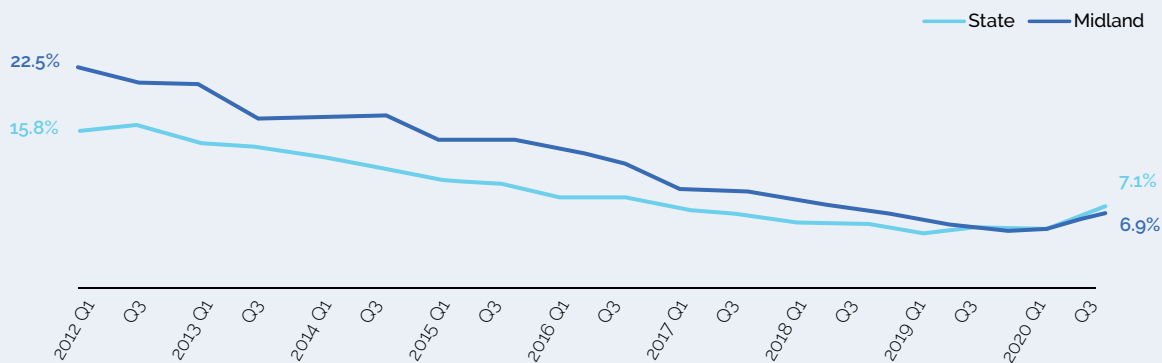
Sector Focus

Selected top manufacturing companies in the Midland region

Cameron
Abbott
 Alkermes
 Rosderra Irish Meats
 Pat The Baker
 Medtronic
 Cardinal Health
 C&F Automotive
 Grant Engineering
 Liffey Meats
 Kepak
 Carroll Cuisine

Unemployment

Unemployment rate %



Numbers unemployed Q3 2020

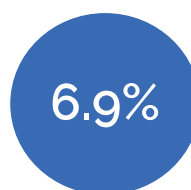


Change from Q1-Q3 2020 UE Number



Increase of 2,600 persons unemployed

UE Rate Q3 2020



Change from Q1-Q3 2020 UE Rate



Increase of 1.7 percentage points

Region rates – Overall comments



Midland and Border regions had the **3rd highest UE rate** across all regions in Q3 2020

Midland region had a **lower UE rate (6.9%)** when compared to the national average (7.1%)

Pandemic Unemployment Payments - Week 44

Persons receiving Pandemic Unemployment Payment in the **Midland** region:

- **16,000 persons**, compared to 34,100 in May 2020 (Week 18)
- Accounting for **12.4% of the labour force*** in the region (14.4% overall in the State) (the lowest share across all regions)
- 25.6% (or 4,300 persons) **aged under 25 years** (25.3% for the State)
- **52.0% female** (50.4% for the State)

* based on Quarter 3 2020

Companies with recent job announcements in the Midland region

Company	No. of Jobs
Portlaoise Plaza	120
DPD	150
Greenfield	75

