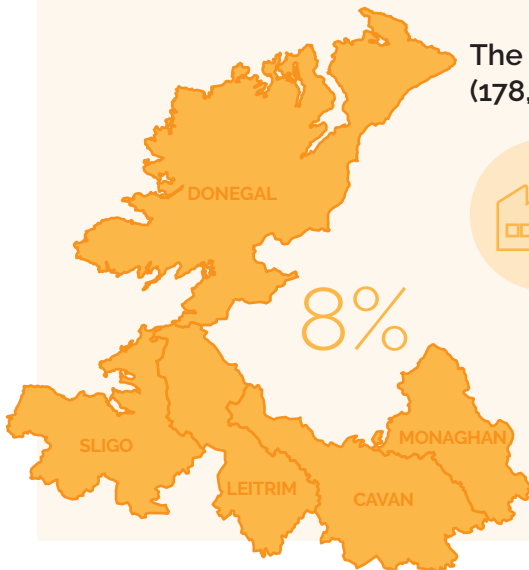


## Regional Profile – Q3 2018



The Border accounts for 8% of employment in Ireland (178,000 persons)



Industry is the biggest employer in the Border accounting for **24,000** persons



Agriculture, forestry & fishing accounted for **23%** of all work permits issued in the region



With **39,100** persons employed, **skilled trades** were the largest occupational group (a third of whom were farmers), followed by professionals (**26,600**) and elementary occupations (**19,200**)

## Sector focus

Manufacturing

81%



81% of manufacturing was in low/medium & low tech manufacturing compared to 66% nationally.

5 year employment growth

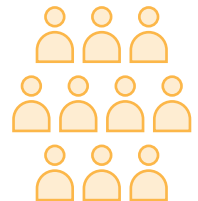
84%



Growth was strongest in construction (84%), adding a further **6,800** jobs since 2013.

Business demography

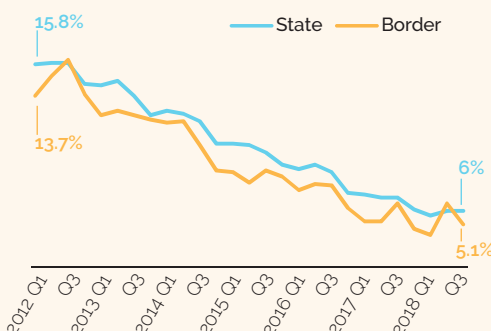
29%



The share of persons working in enterprises with 10-49 persons was the highest in the state (29%).

## Unemployment

Unemployment rate



5.1%  
(9,500 persons)

The unemployment rate in Q3 2018 was **5.1%**, down from 13.7% in Q1 2012

59%



The labour force participation rate (59%) was the second lowest of all regions, compared to 63% nationally



The unemployment rate in the Border region in Q3 2018 was the **second lowest** in the state

Companies with recent job announcements in the Border region



**COMBiLiFT**  
LIFTING INNOVATION

**ABTRAN**

**Abbott**

**Phibro**  
ANIMAL HEALTH CORPORATION