

Regional Profile – Q3 2018

The Midlands region accounts for 6% of employment in Ireland (127,000 persons)



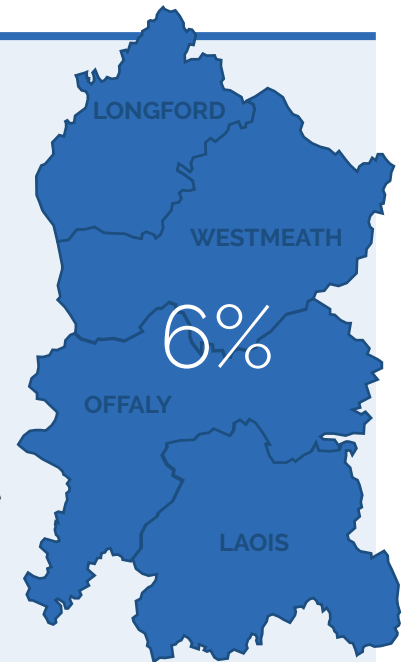
With **25,700** persons employed, **skilled trades** were the largest occupational group, followed by **professionals (18,500)** and **elementary occupations (17,800)**



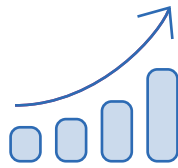
Industry is the biggest employer in the Midlands region accounting for **23,200** persons



Just under half of all **employment permits** issued for the region were in the **health sector**, compared to a share of **30%** nationally



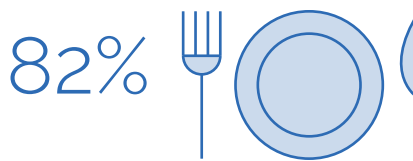
Jobs



+9,600 jobs

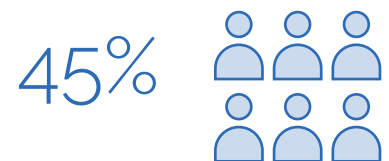
In absolute terms **industry** added the highest number of jobs since 2013.

5 Year Employment Growth



In relative terms, growth was strongest in **accommodation & food (82%)** and **construction (80%)**

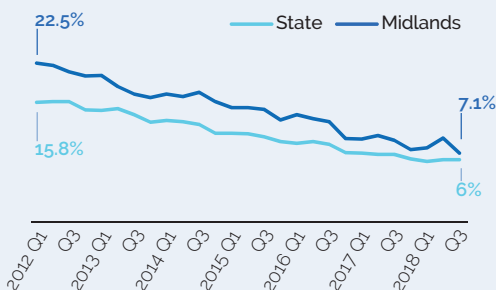
Business Demography



45% of persons employed worked in companies of under 10 employees, significantly above the national level of **27%**.

Unemployment

Unemployment rate



7.1%
(9,600 persons)

The unemployment rate in Q3 2018 was 7.1%, down from 22.5% in Q1 2012, consistently above the national average

22.5%



The Midlands region recorded the highest unemployment rate of all regions in 2012 (22.5%)

57%



57% of those unemployed in the Midlands were **male**

Companies with recent job announcements in the Midlands region

