

## **Key Labour Market Trends**

(Q3 2019 - Q3 2021)

#### **Employment**



**+7**%

Employment increased by 14,700 (7%)

#### Gender



Employment increased for both females and males between quarter 3 2019 and quarter 3 2021. However, the growth was slightly greater for males (at 7%, or 8,300 persons) than for females (6%, or 6,400 persons).

#### Participation rate

62.8%



At 62.8%, the Mid-West region had the third lowest participation rate after the Border and South East regions. The Mid-West region observed the second highest increase in participation rates since quarter 3 2019 along with the Border region (four percentage points).

#### Sector

The health & social work sector saw the largest absolute increase in employment (6,500 persons or a 27% increase). In contrast, the accommodation and food sector observed the greatest declines in employment at 1,700 persons (-10%).

+27%



-10%



Health & Social work

Accommodation & Food sector

## Selected employers in this region

Lisheen Mine Roadbridge Pallas Foods Ltd

ABP Kostal Pinewood Healthcare Cook
El Electronics Zimmer Bio-Met Johnson Johnson

Vision Care Kirby Group Engineering Analog Devices BV

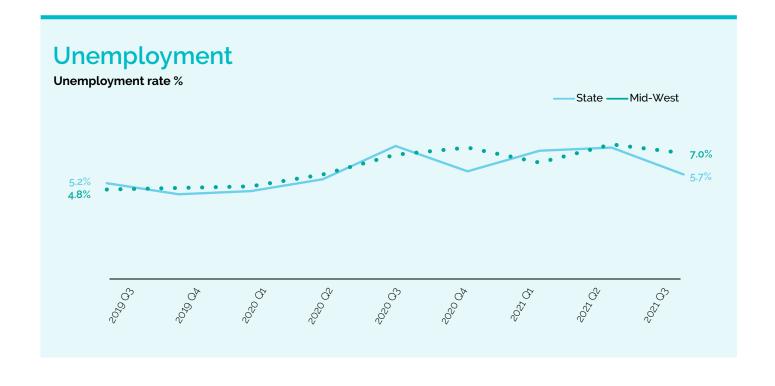
Nestle Pat The Baker Boston Scientific Abbott

Stryker Orthopaedics Carey Glass UC

## **Business Demography (2019)**

There were 23,286 active enterprises in the Mid-West region in 2019 with Limerick accounting for the highest share at 39%.

	Clare	Tipperary	Limerick
Active Enterprise	6,654	7,620	9,012
Persons Engaged	32,699	35,865	55,487



### Numbers unemployed Q3 2021



#### Change from Q3 2019-Q3 2021 UE **Numbers**



Increase of 6,200 persons

### UE Rate Q3 2021



### Change from Q3 2019-Q3 2021 UE



Increase of 2.2 percentage points

## **Pandemic Unemployment Payments**



In November 2021, there were 4,209 people in receipt of a Pandemic Unemployment Payment in the Mid-West region representing 1.8% of persons in the labour force (based on Q3 2021).

#### **Overall Comments**

- The Mid-West region saw an increase in employment over the two-year period, particularly relating to the agriculture and health and social work sectors. Unemployment levels were above the national average with the Mid-West region having the highest unemployment rate when compared to all other regions in quarter 3 2021. The region's unemployment rate observed the greatest percentage increase (2.2 percentage points) when compared to all other regions over the two-year period. New opportunities were arising across a variety of sectors as seen in the job announcements.

# Companies with recent job announcements in the Mid-West region

Company	No. of Jobs
Kirby Group Engineering	300
Edwards Lifesciences	250
Fiserv	200
4Site	100
Waystone	100











