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According to the latest figures by Statistics Netherlands, the number of registered unemployed in July-September was 176 thousand. The trend is that unemployment is still falling, especially long-term unemployment.

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The number of registered unemployed in the third quarter was 176 thousand, up 3 thousand on the second quarter. A rise in unemployment in this quarter, however, is not unusual due to seasonal influences. The seasonally corrected unemployment figure turns out to be 14 thousand less.

Because the unemployment figures are based on a sample survey, they have a substantial margin of error. Therefore, the trend in unemployment should be seen in a long-term perspective. The number of registered unemployed in the third quarter of this year was down 36 thousand on the third quarter of 1999. This comes down to an average drop of 3 thousand a month.

Long-term unemployment reduced

The 176 thousand unemployed registered in the third quarter included 78 thousand people who had been registered for more than a year. That is down 30 thousand on the third quarter of 1999. The number of long-term registered unemployed fell much faster in the last twelve months than the number of short-term unemployed. For years there were more long-term than short-term unemployed. This changed in the course of last year, due to the continuous drop in unemployment since 1994. Since late 1999 the number of long-term unemployed is lower than the number of people who have been registered as unemployed for less than a year.

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Table 1 registered unemployed, original figures, changes on the previous year, seasonally corrected figures, average monthly changes in the last three months.

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Tabel 1. Geregistreerde werklozen 1)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mrt.	Apr.	Mei.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Okt.	Nov.	Dec.
<i>x 1 000</i>												
Oorspronkelijke cijfers												
1980	209	204	188	179	181	195	217	227	233	239	254	275
1981	289	290	285	273	272	289	318	330	337	352	369	398
1982	413	418	414	413	417	449	476	490	505	518	538	569
1983	583	591	587	583	585	619	632	639	633	625	629	639
1984	639	633	613	594	585	587	586	597	581	565	558	555
1985	558	552	528	506	494	489	503	514	502	494	495	501
1986	510	502	485	466	458	458	476	474	469	464	461	470
1987	473	469	456	438	427	429	453	460	460	463	466	482
1988	491	493	468	432	428	437	447	450	439	444	443	443
1989	441	432	421	405	395	407	418	417	400	391	383	382
1990	379	377	366	351	351	355	359	355	354	348	349	353
1991	356	360	343	332	323	332	333	332	321	321	323	322
1992	329	329	338	328	323	323	326	341	341	352	353	364
1993	382	391	400	387	394	394	416	421	438	448	453	480
1994	495	520	500	483	461	465	470	484	484	490	480	492
1995	484	497	477	465	446	445	453	453	450	451	459	463
1996	468	469	465	441	418	415	433	441	438	431	432	437
1997	429	415	399	381	376	378	379	372	351	349	336	340
1998	346	346	318	289	270	270	273	271	265	262	260	265
1999	263	265	246	227	216	209	213	212	211	206	189	201
2000	201	217	201	195	173	171	169	176				
verandering t.o.v. een jaar eerder												
1981	80	86	97	94	91	94	101	103	104	113	115	123
1982	124	128	129	140	145	160	158	160	168	166	169	171
1983	170	173	173	170	168	170	156	149	128	107	91	70
1984	56	42	26	11	0	-32	-46	-42	-52	-60	-71	-84
1985	-81	-81	-85	-88	-91	-98	-83	-83	-79	-71	-63	-54
1986	-48	-50	-43	-40	-36	-31	-27	-40	-33	-30	-34	-31
1987	-37	-33	-29	-28	-31	-29	-23	-14	-9	-1	5	12
1988	18	24	12	-6	1	8	-6	-10	-21	-19	-23	-39
1989	-50	-61	-47	-27	-33	-30	-29	-33	-39	-53	-60	-61
1990	-62	-55	-55	-54	-44	-52	-59	-62	-46	-43	-34	-29
1991	-23	-17	-23	-19	-28	-23	-26	-23	-33	-27	-26	-31
1992	-27	-31	-5	-4	0	-9	-7	9	20	31	30	42
1993	53	62	62	59	71	71	90	80	97	96	100	116
1994	113	129	100	96	67	71	54	63	46	42	27	12
1995	-11	-23	-23	-18	-15	-20	-17	-31	-34	-39	-21	-29
1996	-16	-28	-12	-24	-28	-30	-20	-12	-12	-20	-27	-26
1997	-39	-54	-66	-60	-42	-37	-54	-69	-87	-82	-96	-97
1998	-83	-69	-81	-92	-106	-108	-106	-101	-86	-87	-76	-75
1999	-83	-81	-72	-62	-54	-61	-60	-59	-54	-56	-71	-64
2000	-62	-48	-45	-32	-43	-38	-44	-36				
Na verwijdering van seizoensinvloeden												
1989	431	417	414	412	412	416	420	416	402	392	385	377
1990	368	362	358	358	367	365	361	353	356	349	351	348
1991	346	345	335	338	340	343	336	330	324	322	325	316
1992	318	313	330	334	340	335	329	339	343	353	354	357
1993	370	375	392	393	412	406	420	420	440	449	454	472
1994	482	504	492	490	479	478	474	484	486	491	480	484
1995	471	481	468	472	464	459	458	453	451	451	459	454
1996	455	452	456	448	436	430	439	441	440	431	432	427
1997	415	399	391	388	394	394	384	372	353	349	335	329
1998	332	329	310	296	288	286	279	272	267	263	259	255
1999	248	248	238	234	234	224	219	213	212	207	188	191
2000	186	200	193	203	191	187	174	177				
gemiddelde verandering per maand in de laatste drie maanden												
1992	-1	-4	5	5	9	2	-2	0	3	8	5	5
1993	6	7	12	8	12	5	9	3	11	10	11	11
1994	11	17	7	3	-8	-5	-5	2	3	6	-1	-1
1995	-7	0	-5	0	-6	-3	-5	-4	-3	-2	2	1
1996	1	-2	1	-2	-5	-9	-3	2	3	-3	-3	-4
1997	-5	-11	-12	-9	-2	1	-1	-7	-14	-12	-12	-8
1998	-6	-2	-6	-12	-14	-8	-6	-5	-6	-5	-4	-4
1999	-5	-4	-6	-5	-5	-5	-5	-7	-4	-4	-8	-7
2000	-7	4	1	6	-3	-2	-10	-5				

Bron: CBS, Statistiek geregistreerde werkloosheid.

1) Tot en met 1987 maandcijfers, vanaf 1988 driemaands gemiddelden opgenomen onder de middelste maand.

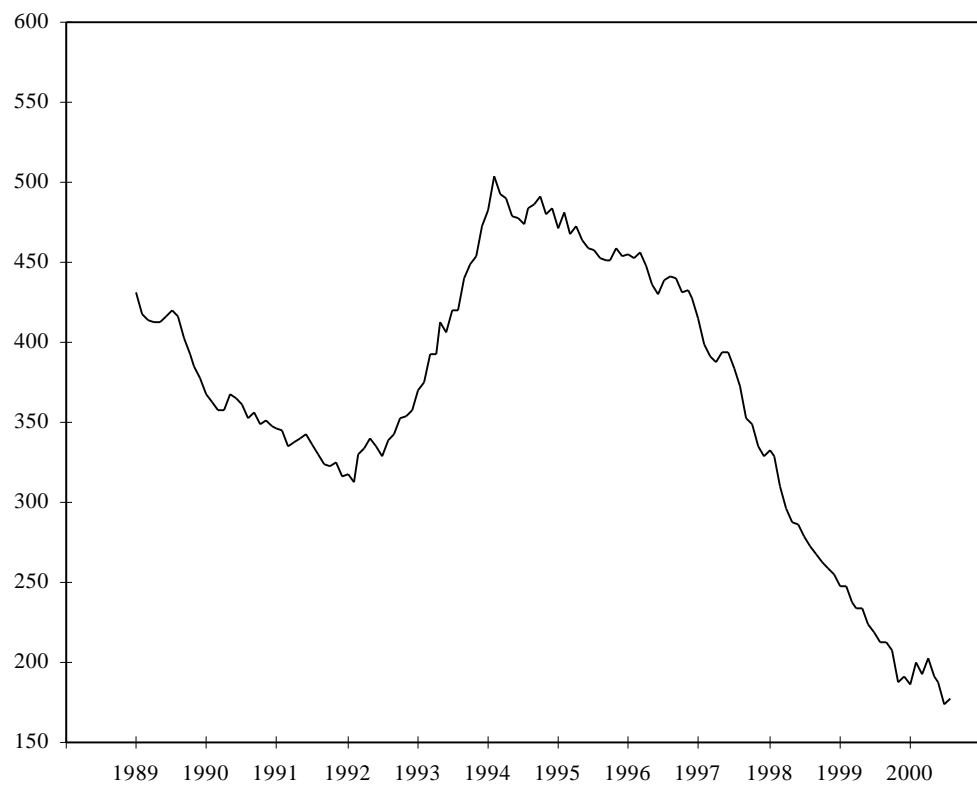
Table 2 registered unemployed by sex, age and registration period
X 1000 and as a percentage of the labour force

Tabel 2. Geregistreerde werklozen naar geslacht, leeftijd en duur inschrijving

	Geslacht		Leeftijd			Duur inschrijving		Totaal
	man	vrouw	16-24 jaar	25-34 jaar	35-64 jaar	<1 jaar	>= 1 jaar	
<i>x 1 000</i>								
1992	195	141	76	113	147	171	165	336
1993	240	175	100	142	173	227	188	415
1994	283	203	104	168	213	242	244	486
1995	260	204	89	159	215	217	247	464
1996	240	201	75	145	220	219	221	440
1997	199	176	54	119	201	180	195	375
1998	155	132	40	86	160	132	155	287
1999	115	106	32	62	127	110	111	221
Jul'99-Sep'99	106	106	36	63	113	104	108	212
Jul'00-Sep'00	87	88	24	42	110	98	78	176
<i>in % van de beroepsbevolking</i>								
1992	4,9	6,1	7,5	5,6	4,5			5,3
1993	6,0	7,3	10,1	6,9	5,1			6,5
1994	7,0	8,3	11,1	8,2	6,2			7,5
1995	6,4	8,1	10,0	7,6	6,0			7,0
1996	5,9	7,8	8,6	6,8	6,0			6,6
1997	4,8	6,5	6,2	5,6	5,2			5,5
1998	3,7	4,8	4,8	4,0	4,0			4,1
1999	2,7	3,7	3,6	2,9	3,1			3,1
Jul'99-Sep'99	2,5	3,7	4,1	3,0	2,8			3,0
Jul'00-Sep'00	2,1	3,1	2,7	2,0	2,7			2,5

Bron: CBS, Statistiek geregistreerde werkloosheid.

**Geregistreeerde werklozen
na verwijdering van seizoensinvloeden**
x 1 000



Seasonally corrected unemployment figures