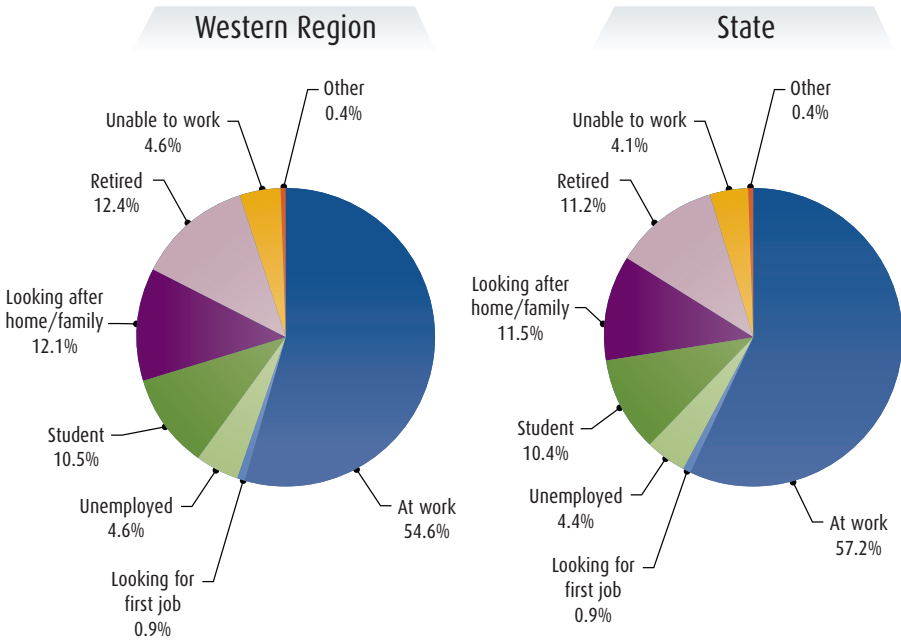


# Section 2

## People and Work

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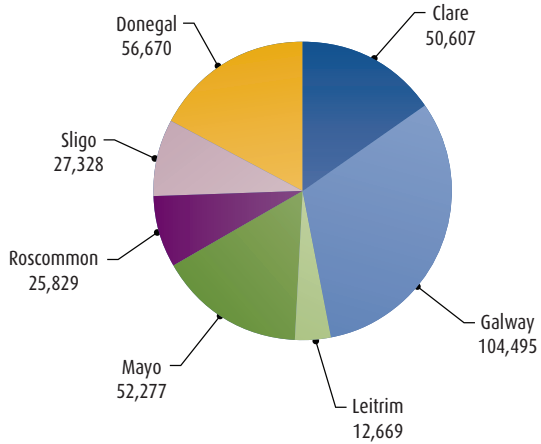
County/Region	% in Each Principal Economic Status Category 2006								Total Persons
	At work	Looking for first job	Unemp-loyed	Student	Looking after home/family	Retired	Unable to work	Other	
Clare	58.2	0.8	4.0	9.1	11.7	12.1	3.7	0.4	86,977
Galway	56.3	0.9	4.4	12.5	11.2	10.4	3.8	0.3	185,624
Leitrim	55.0	0.7	4.1	8.6	11.8	13.8	5.6	0.4	23,052
Mayo	53.1	0.8	4.5	9.5	12.7	14.0	4.9	0.4	98,430
Roscommon	55.2	0.7	3.0	8.9	12.9	13.7	4.8	0.8	46,791
Sligo	55.8	0.8	3.7	11.1	10.7	12.8	4.8	0.3	48,972
Donegal	49.8	1.0	6.4	9.8	13.5	13.4	5.8	0.3	113,838
<b>Western Region</b>	<b>54.6</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>603,684</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>57.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>3,375,399</b>

Source: CSO, Census of Population 2006, Volume 7, Table 6A

<sup>1</sup> Persons aged 15 years and over.

<sup>2</sup> The principal economic status classification is based on a single question in which respondents are asked what is their present principal status and given the following response categories: At Work, Looking for first regular job, Unemployed, Student, Looking after home/family, Retired, Unable to work due to permanent sickness or disability, Other.

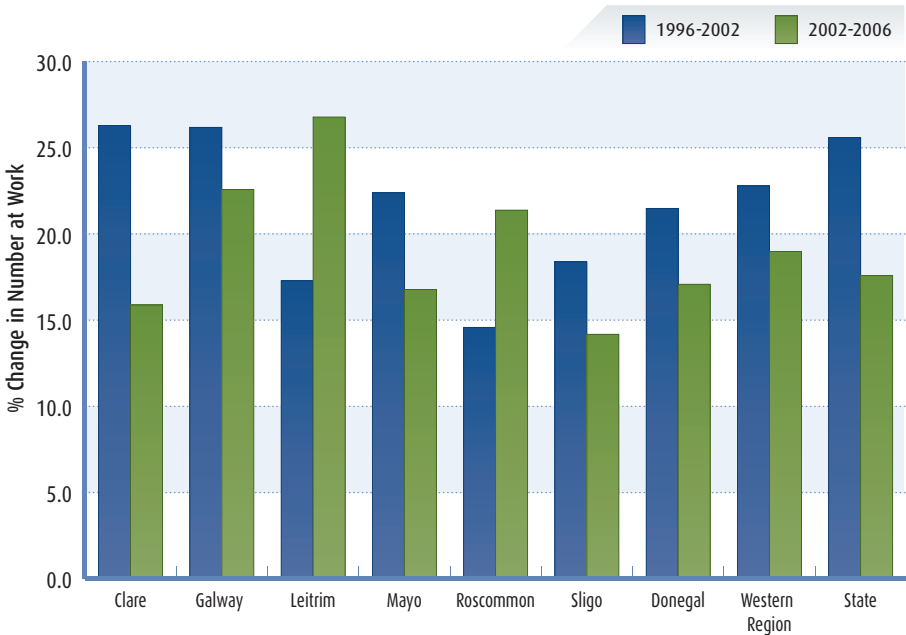
## 2.2 Persons at work<sup>1</sup> in each county in the Western Region, 2006



Source: CSO, Census of Population 2006, Volume 7, Table 13

<sup>1</sup> Persons aged 15 years and over. At work is defined as those whose present principal status is defined as working for payment or profit.

### 2.3a Percentage change in number of persons at work in each county and in the Western Region, 1996-2006

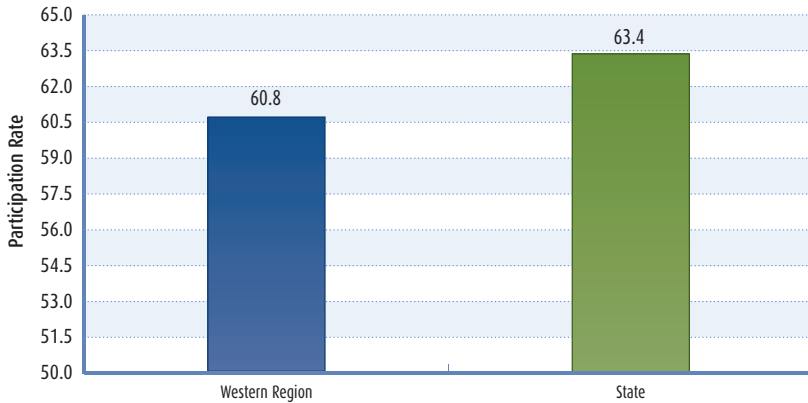


### 2.3b Number of persons at work in each county and in the Western Region, and percentage change, 1996-2006

County/Region	Number of Persons at Work			% Change		
	1996	2002	2006	1996-2002	2002-2006	1996-2006
Clare	34,572	43,679	50,607	26.3	15.9	46.4
Galway	67,497	85,210	104,495	26.2	22.6	54.8
Leitrim	8,518	9,990	12,669	17.3	26.8	48.7
Mayo	36,583	44,764	52,277	22.4	16.8	42.9
Roscommon	18,559	21,270	25,829	14.6	21.4	39.2
Sligo	20,204	23,927	27,328	18.4	14.2	35.3
Donegal	39,811	48,379	56,670	21.5	17.1	42.3
Western Region	225,744	277,219	329,875	22.8	19.0	46.1
State	1,307,236	1,641,587	1,930,042	25.6	17.6	47.6

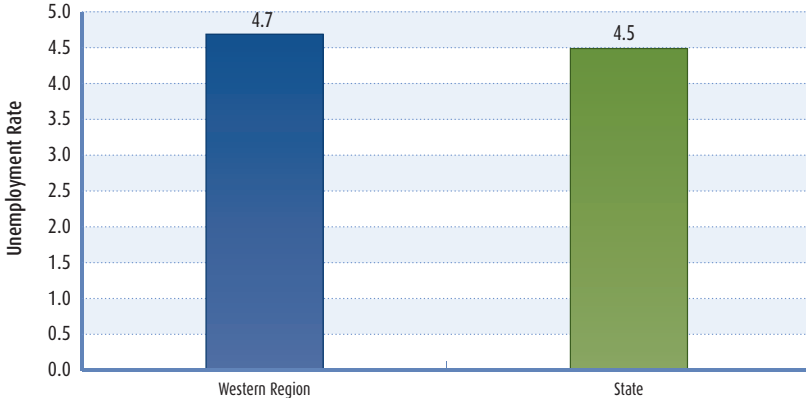
Source: CSO, Census of Population 1996, Volume 5, Table 1; CSO, Census of Population 2002, Volume 5, Table 8; CSO, Census of Population 2006, Volume 7, Table 8

## 2.4 Labour force participation rates (ILO)<sup>1</sup> of persons in the Western Region, 2007



Source: CSO, Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS), 2nd Quarter, 2007. Special Run.

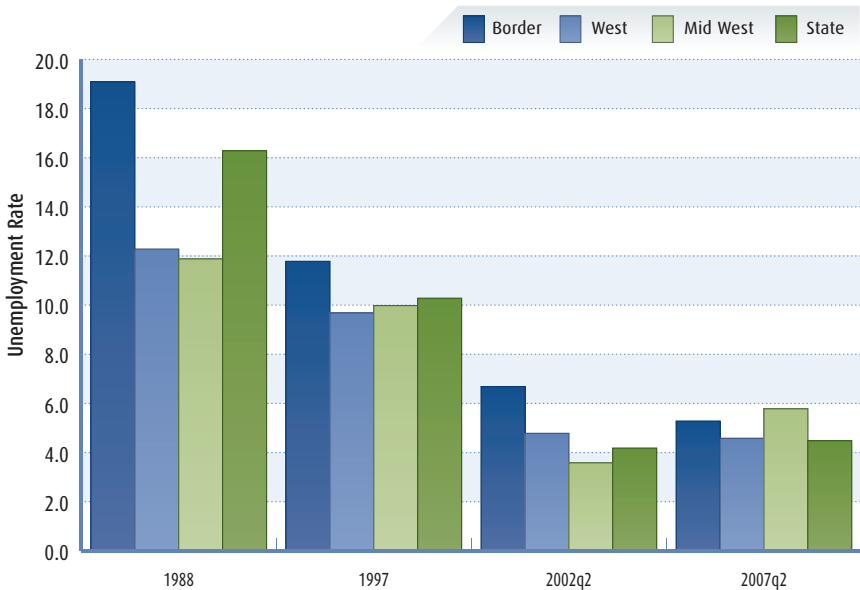
## 2.5 Unemployment rates (ILO)<sup>2</sup> of persons in the Western Region, 2007



Source: CSO, Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS), 2nd Quarter, 2007. Special Run.

- 1 The International Labour Organisation (ILO) sets international standards regarding labour statistics. The participation rate is the number of persons in the labour force, expressed as a percentage of the total population aged 15 years or over. The labour force comprises employed plus unemployed persons. The ILO definition of employment measures persons who worked in the week before the survey for one hour or more for payment or profit, including work on the family farm or business and all persons who had a job but were not at work because of illness, holidays etc. in the week.
- 2 This is the official measure of unemployment and is based on the ILO definition namely those persons who in the week before the survey, were without work and available for work within the next two weeks, and had taken specific steps, in the preceding four weeks, to find work.

## 2.6 Unemployment rates (ILO)<sup>1</sup> of persons in selected NUTS3 regions,<sup>2</sup> 1988, 1997, 2002, 2007

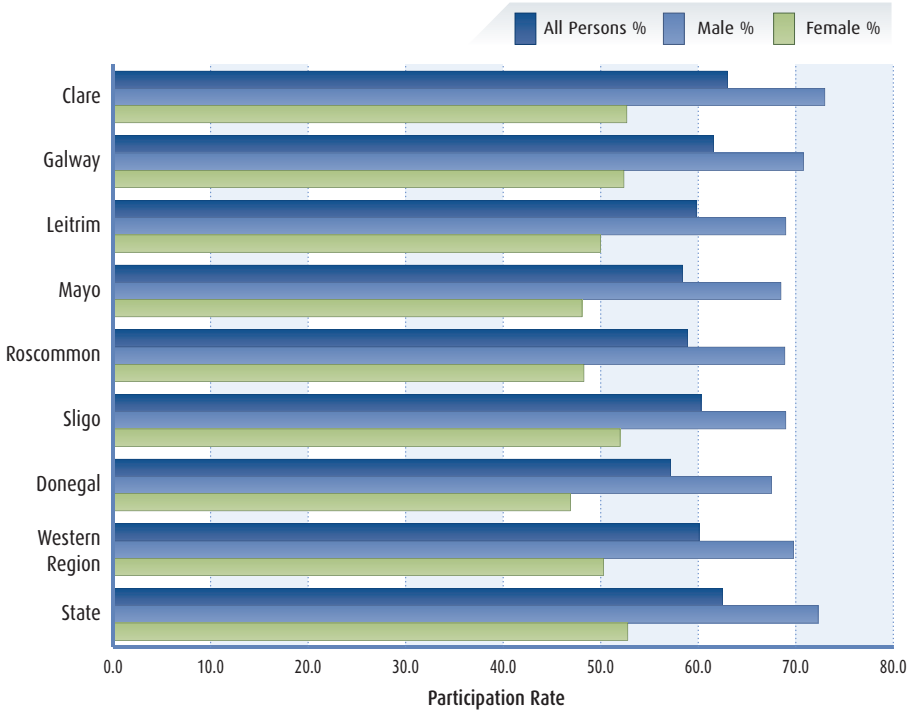


Region	Unemployment Rate			
	1988	1997	2002q2 <sup>3</sup>	2007q2
Border	19.1	11.8	6.7	5.3
West	12.3	9.7	4.8	4.6
Mid West	11.9	10.0	3.6	5.8
Dublin	18.0	11.1	3.6	4.3
South East	18.1	11.3	4.7	5.1
Mid East	16.7	8.4	3.3	4.1
Midlands	14.0	9.5	3.9	4.4
South West	15.6	9.1	4.0	3.5
State	16.3	10.3	4.2	4.5

Source: CSO, Annual Labour Force Survey, 1988 and 1997; CSO, Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS), 2nd Quarter, 2002 and 2007

- 1 The ILO definition of unemployment measures those persons who in the week before the survey, were without work and available for work within the next two weeks, and had taken specific steps in the preceding four weeks, to find work.
- 2 The NUTS3 regions selected are those with counties which are represented in the Western Region, namely Donegal, Sligo, Leitrim, Roscommon, Mayo, Galway and Clare.
- 3 These data are drawn from the Annual Labour Force Survey (LFS) which was conducted annually up to 1998 and thereafter from the Quarterly National Household Survey. The second quarter is the most appropriate and is directly comparable with the data from the LFS.

## 2.7 Persons, male and female labour force participation rates<sup>1</sup> in each county and in the Western Region, 2006

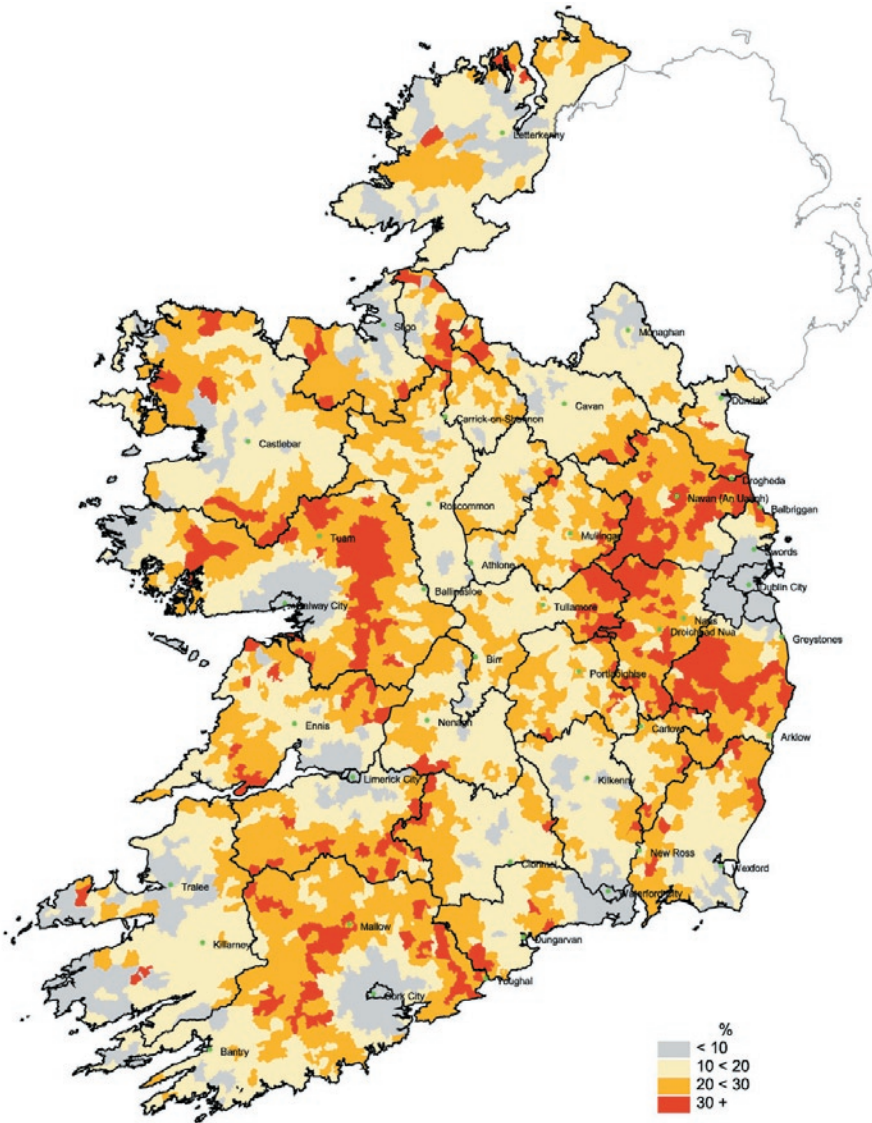


County/Region	Labour Force Participation Rates 2006		
	All Persons	Male	Female
Clare	63.0	73.0	52.7
Galway	61.6	70.8	52.4
Leitrim	59.8	69.0	50.0
Mayo	58.4	68.5	48.1
Roscommon	58.9	68.9	48.3
Sligo	60.3	69.0	52.0
Donegal	57.2	67.5	46.9
Western Region	60.1	69.8	50.3
State	62.5	72.3	52.8

Source: CSO, Census of Population 2006, Volume 7, Table 8

<sup>1</sup> This labour force participation rate is based on the principal economic status (PES) classification and is calculated by expressing the labour force (i.e. those at work, looking for first regular job and unemployed having lost or given up their job) as a proportion of all persons aged 15 years and over. This differs from the ILO definition in that the PES classification of employed and unemployed is self-ascribed, that is, it is based on the individual's own assessment of their economic status.

## 2.8 Percentage of workers in each Electoral Division who travel 30km and over to work, 2006

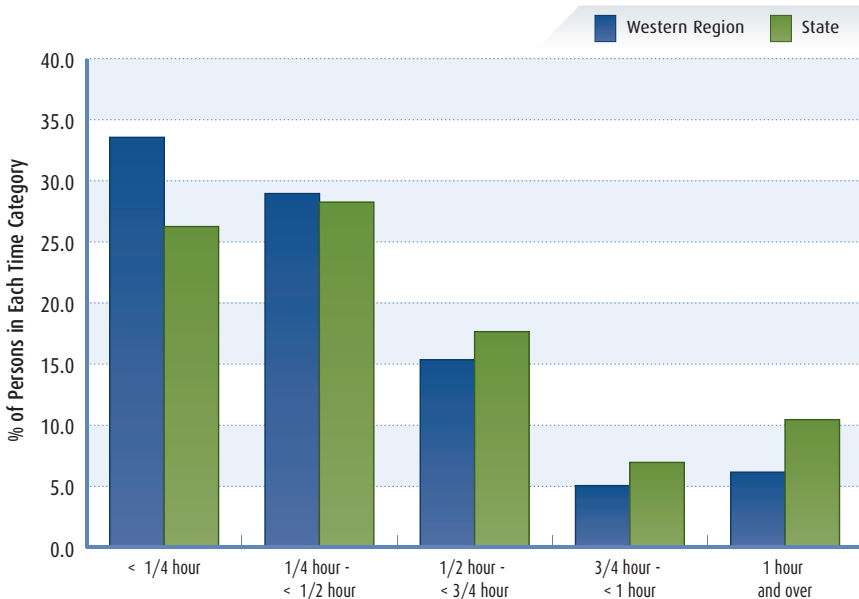


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## 2.9a Percentage of persons at work in the Western Region classified by time taken to travel to work<sup>1</sup>, 2006



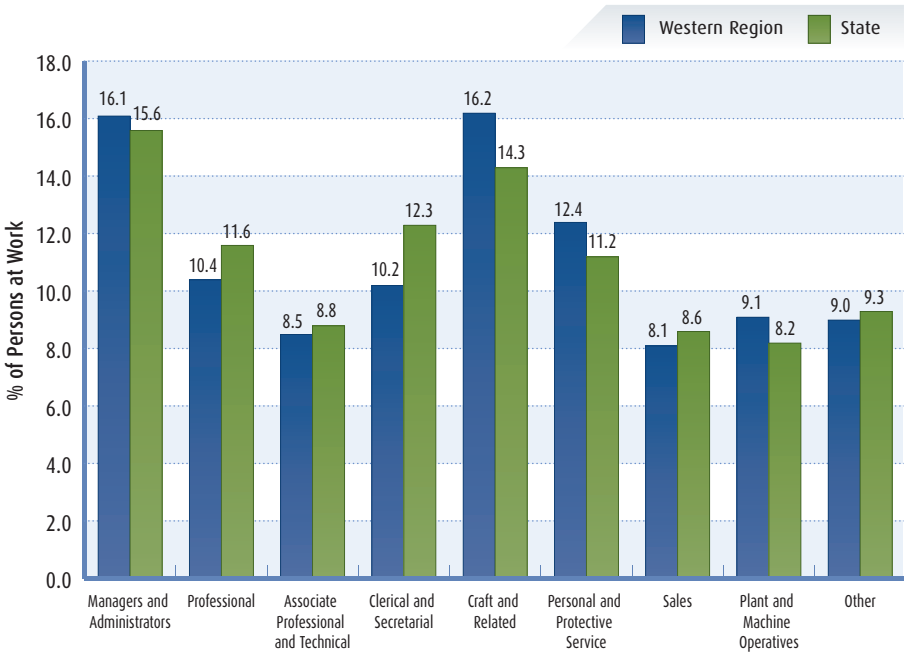
## 2.9b Percentage of persons at work in each county and in the Western Region classified by time taken to travel to work, 2006

	% in Each Time Category 2006						Total Persons
	< ¼ hour	¼ hour - < ½ hour	½ hour - < ¾ hour	¾ hour - < 1 hour	1 hour and over	Not stated	
County/Region							
Clare	30.9	28.2	17.9	5.9	5.9	11.1	45,540
Galway	28.3	29.9	18.0	6.3	7.2	10.4	95,765
Leitrim	31.5	28.3	17.6	4.8	6.3	11.5	11,456
Mayo	37.8	27.4	12.6	4.3	6.8	11.1	47,086
Roscommon	35.3	29.3	13.6	4.2	6.8	10.7	23,386
Sligo	36.3	33.3	13.4	3.5	3.5	10.0	25,067
Donegal	40.3	27.6	12.3	4.1	5.2	10.4	51,766
Western Region	33.6	29.0	15.4	5.1	6.2	10.6	300,066
State	26.3	28.3	17.7	7.0	10.5	10.2	1,787,081

Source: CSO, Census of Population 2006, Volume 12, Table 14

<sup>1</sup> The chart excludes those surveyed whose journey time was not stated.

## 2.10 Persons in employment (ILO)<sup>1</sup> in the Western Region classified by occupational group, 2007



Source: CSO, Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS), 2nd Quarter, 2007. Special Run.

<sup>1</sup> The ILO definition of employment comprises persons who worked in the week before the survey for one hour or more for payment or profit, including work on the family farm or business and all persons who had a job but were not at work because of illness, holidays etc. in the week.