

REGIONAL JOBS TRENDS

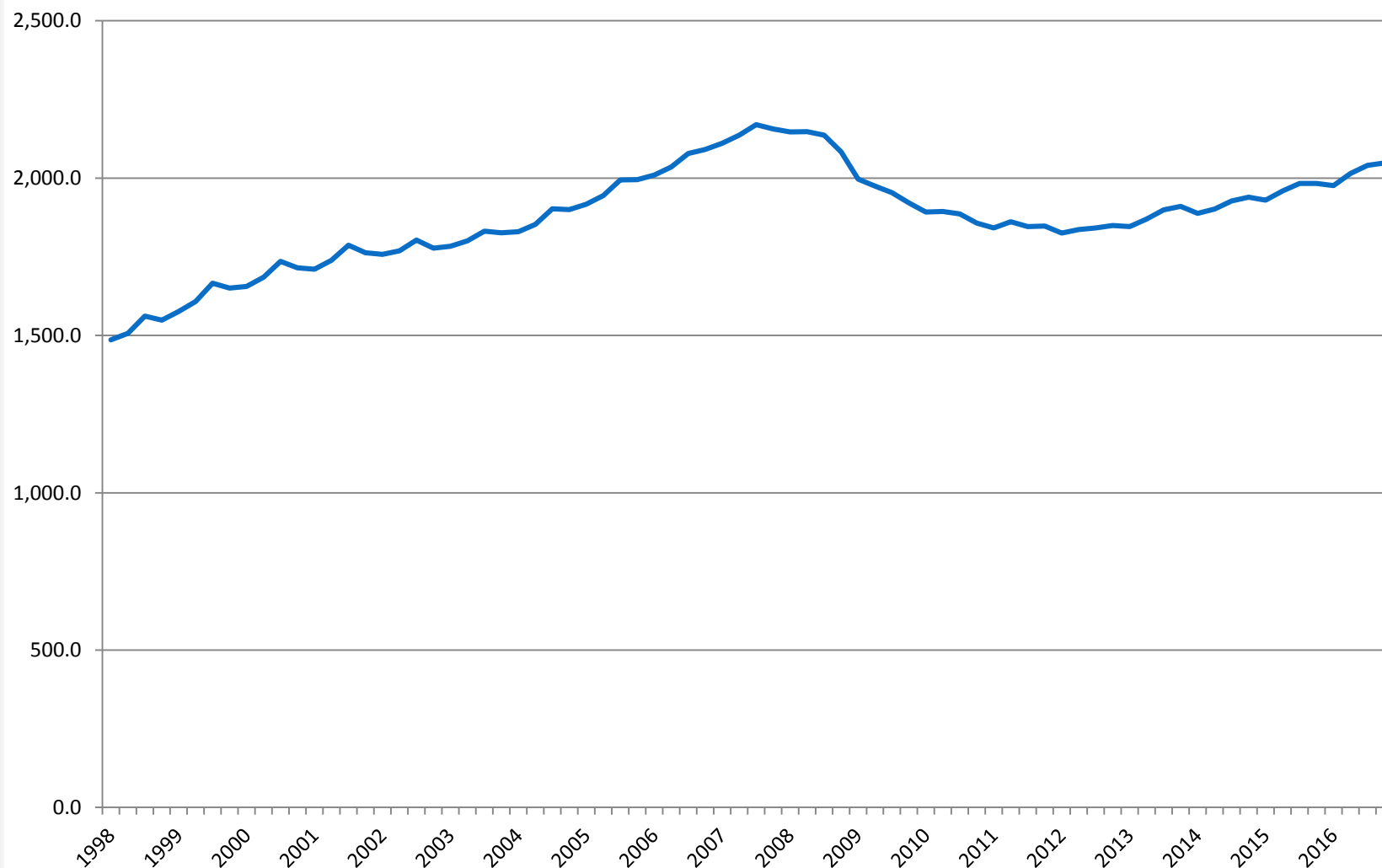
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Social Justice Ireland's *Employment Monitor*

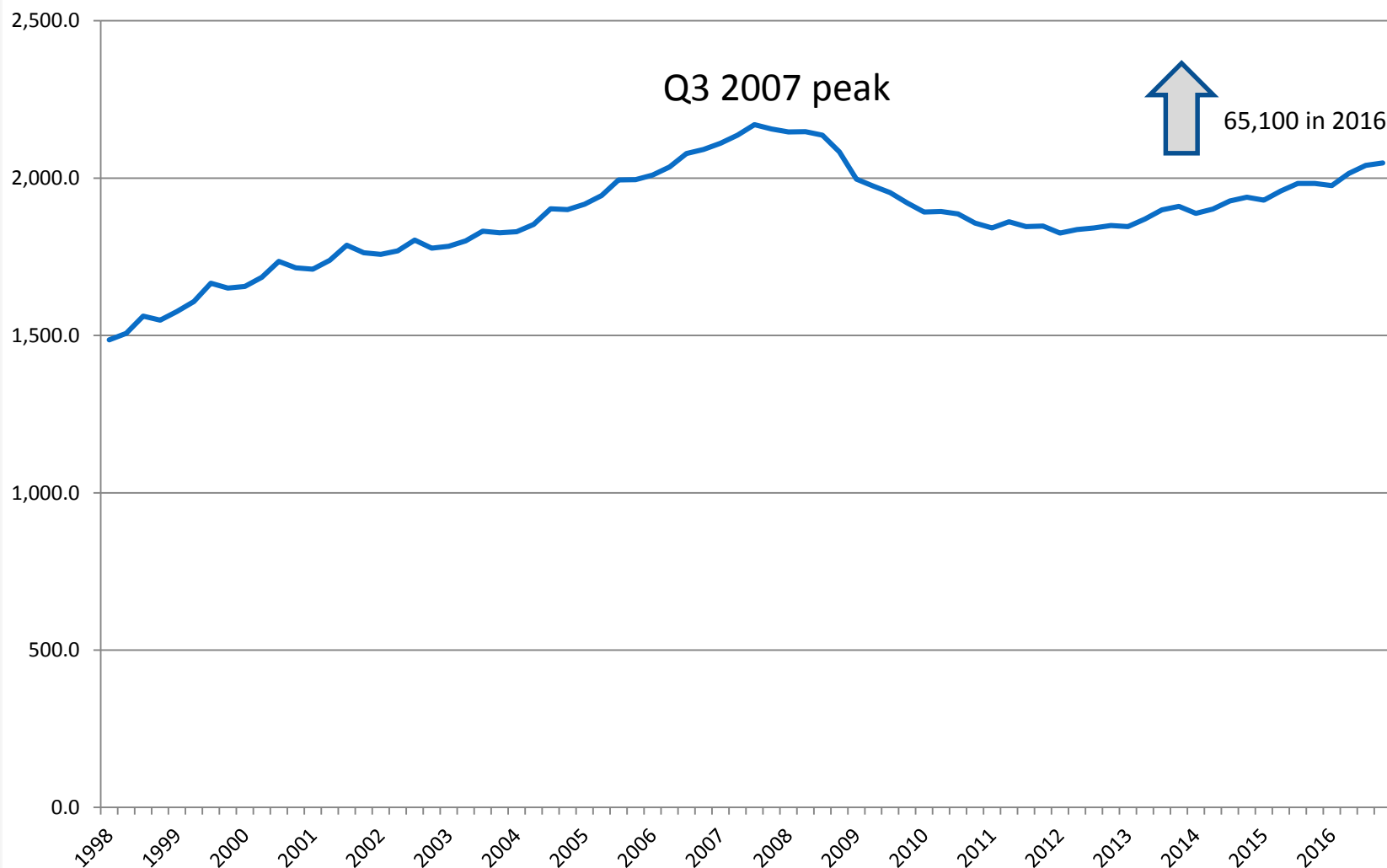
- quarterly publication examining Ireland's employment situation, including
 - employment numbers
 - significant labour market trends
 - other aspects of the macroeconomy.

The purpose is to highlight selected trends, with a focus on the policy goals of increasing employment, providing better working conditions, and creating a more just economic model and a fair society.

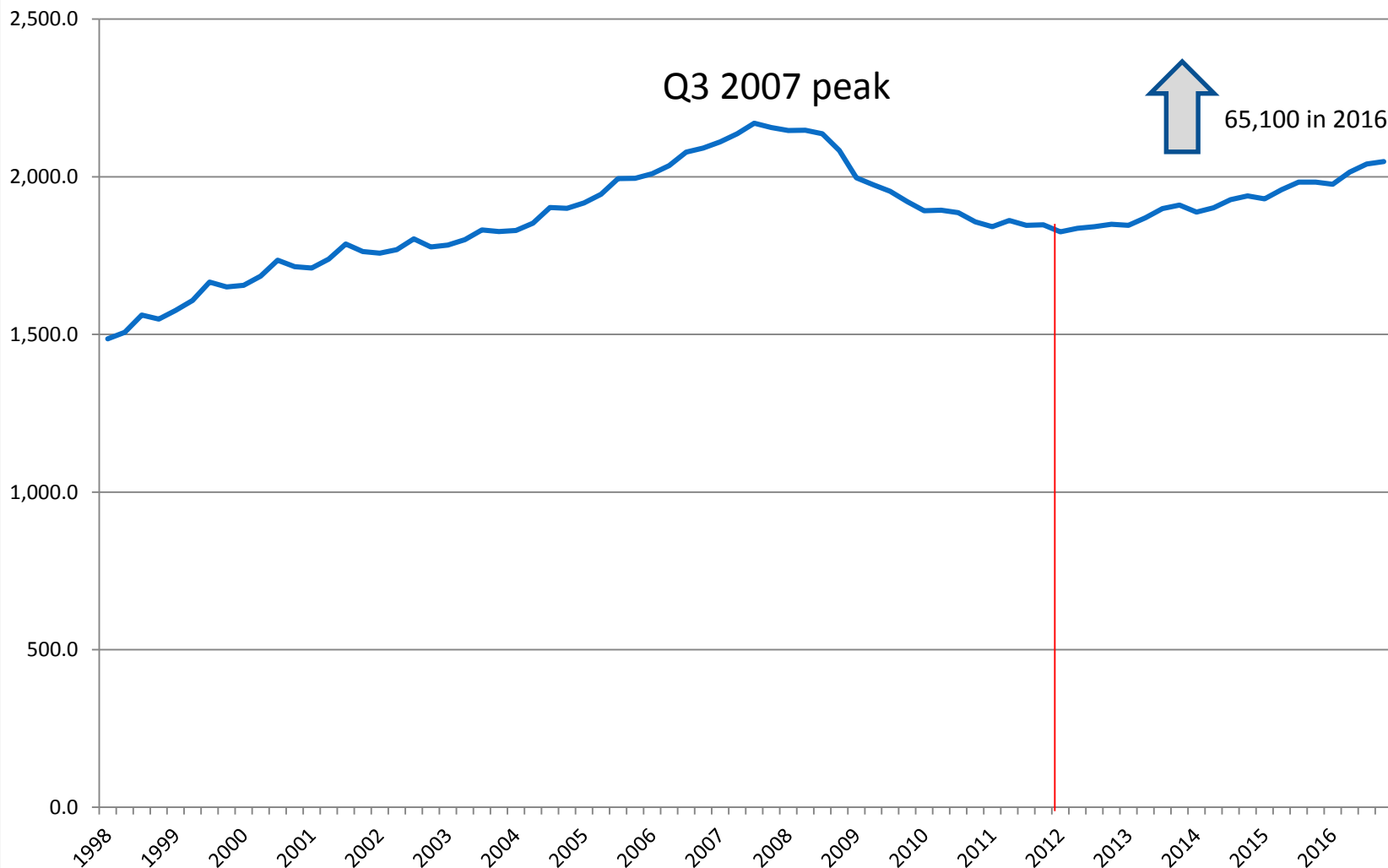
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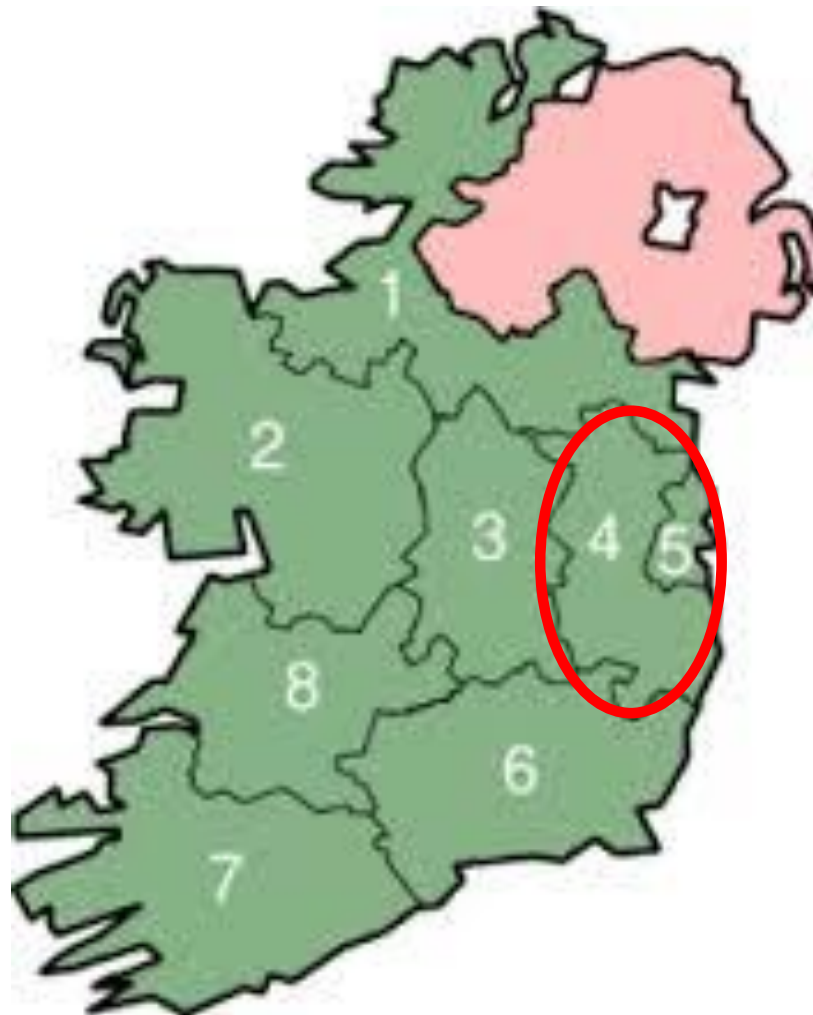
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Regional trends?



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Midland	-4.8%
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NUTS Region	% Rate	Compared to STATE
Border	6.3%	1.12
Midland	6.9%	1.23
West	4.0%	0.72
DUBLIN	7.2%	1.28
Mid-East	1.6%	0.28
Mid-West	7.6%	1.35
South-East	5.0%	0.89
South-West	5.2%	0.93
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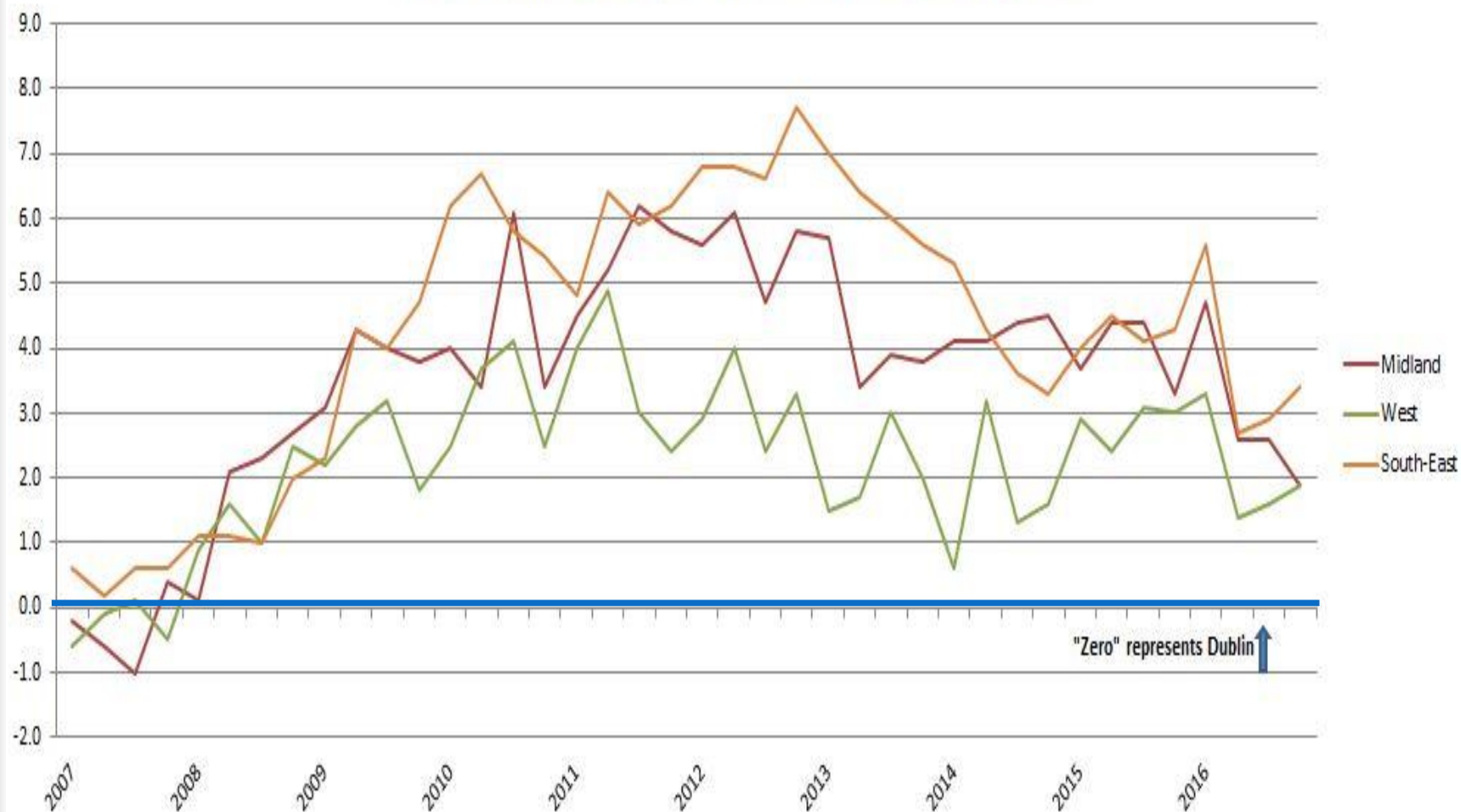
NUTS Region	% Rate	Compared to STATE	Compared to DUBLIN
Border	6.3%	1.12	0.87
Midland	6.9%	1.23	0.96
West	4.0%	0.72	0.56
DUBLIN	7.2%	1.28	1.00
Mid-East	1.6%	0.28	0.22
Mid-West	7.6%	1.35	1.05
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Regional deficit

Unemployment % divergences - selected regions vs Dublin



Labour Force indicators (since employment peak)

NUTS Region	Change in Labour Force
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West	-6.0%
DUBLIN	-0.3%
Mid-East	-4.1%
Mid-West	-4.9%
South-East	-0.6%
South-West	-6.9%
IRELAND	-3.6%

Labour Force indicators (since employment peak)

NUTS Region	Change in Labour Force	Compared to DUBLIN
Border	-9.1%	30.48
Midland	-0.5%	1.77
West	-6.0%	20.09
DUBLIN	-0.3%	1.00
Mid-East	-4.1%	13.89
Mid-West	-4.9%	16.46
South-East	-0.6%	1.97
South-West	-6.9%	23.30
IRELAND	-3.6%	12.03

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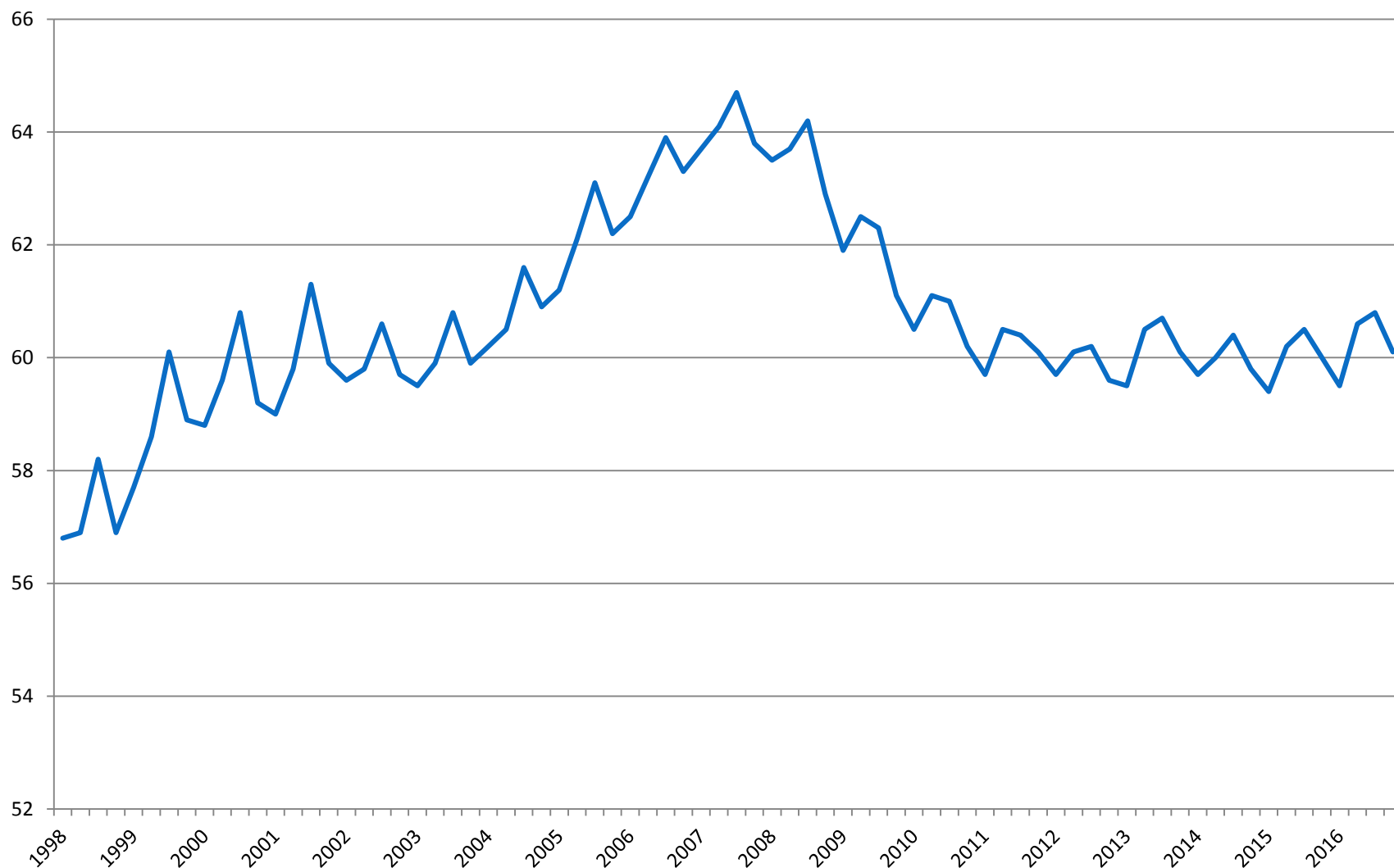
Labour Force indicators (since employment peak)

NUTS Region	Change in Labour Force	Change in Participation
Border	-9.1%	-8.8%
Midland	-0.5%	-8.9%
West	-6.0%	-6.9%
DUBLIN	-0.3%	-4.2%
Mid-East	-4.1%	-11.9%
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South-West	-6.9%	-9.7%
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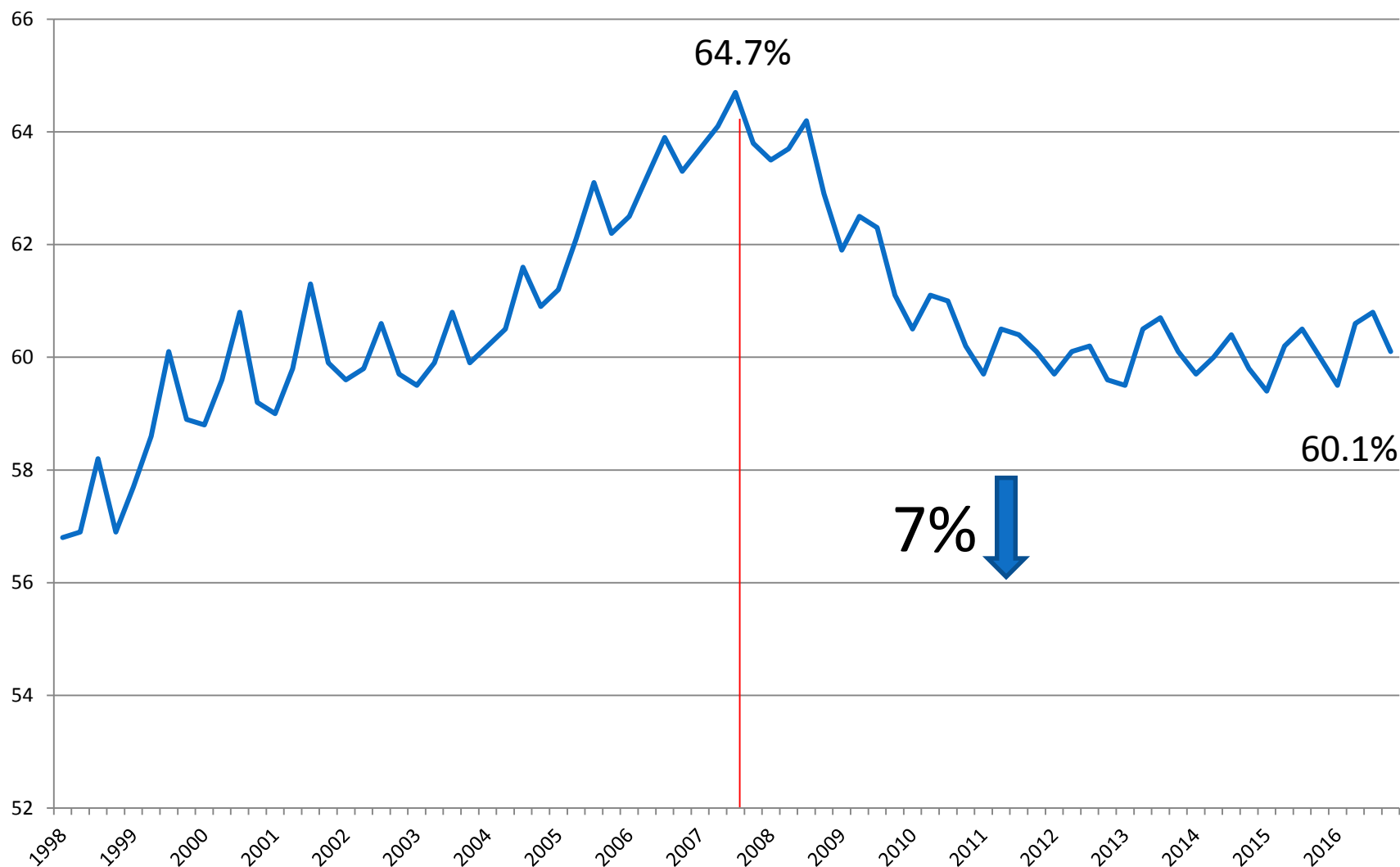
Labour Force indicators (since employment peak)

NUTS Region	Change in Labour Force	Change in Participation	Compared to DUBLIN
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Midland	-0.5%	-8.9%	2.10
West	-6.0%	-6.9%	1.63
DUBLIN	-0.3%	-4.2%	1.00
Mid-East	-4.1%	-11.9%	2.83
Mid-West	-4.9%	-5.8%	1.36
South-East	-0.6%	-5.4%	1.28
South-West	-6.9%	-9.7%	2.29
IRELAND	-3.6%	-7.1%	1.68

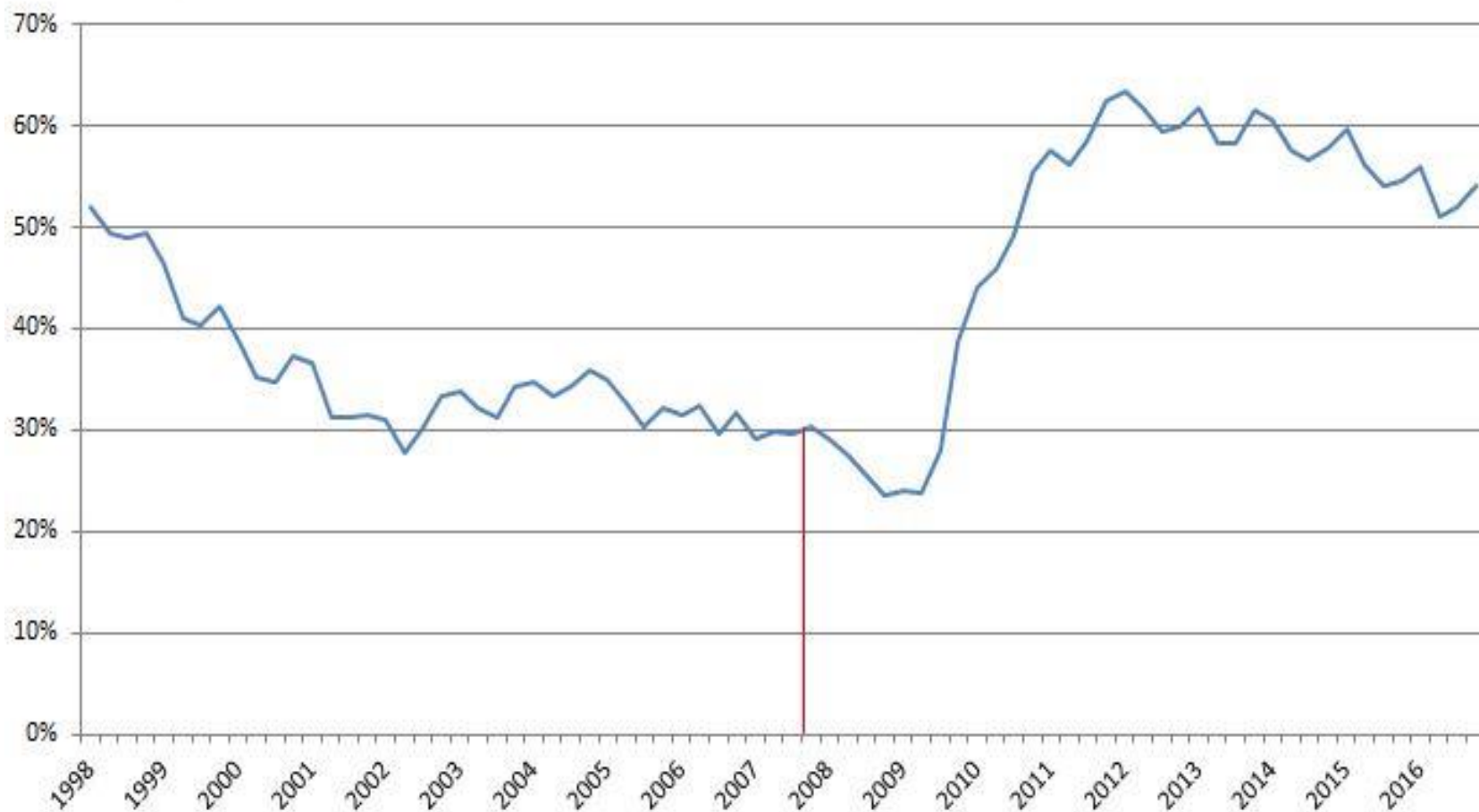
National participation rate (%) in labour market



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Long term unemployment as a % of total unemployment



Long-term unemployed older workers as a % of...



Policy Suggestions

Regional Employment

- Broadband, Broadband, Broadband
- Enterprise Ireland and Industrial Development Authority
- Proper development of regional social and economic hubs
 - Functional Territories

Long-term Unemployment

- Encourage employers to take on LTU individuals
- Increased focus
- Increased infrastructure investment - construction



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