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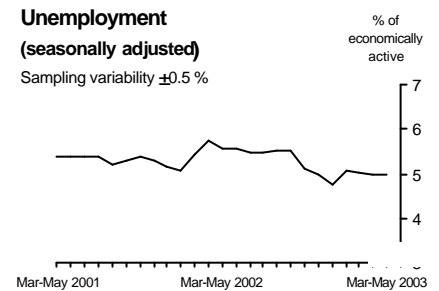
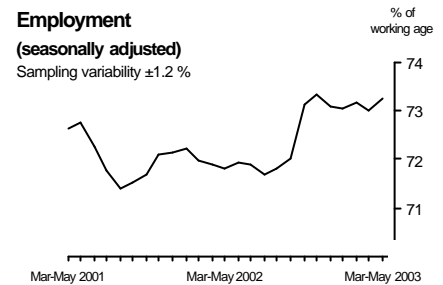
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Latest Labour Force Survey data over the year to May 2003 indicate employment and unemployment stable in the North West.

Data for the three months to May 2003 show the seasonally adjusted employment rate at 73.3 per cent, up 1.4 percentage points on a year earlier. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.0 per cent, down 0.6 percentage points on a year earlier.

The seasonally adjusted claimant count was down in the year to June 2003.



Data in this table are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise stated

		Level (thousands)	Rate (%)	Change on year (level)	Sampling variability (thousands)	Change on year (rate)	Sampling variability (%)
Employment*	Mar-May	3,068	73.3	62	± 78	1.4	± 1.5
Unemployment**	Mar-May	161	5.0	-16	± 25	-0.6	± 0.7
Economically active*	Mar-May	3,229	77.2	45	± 77	1.0	± 1.4
Economically inactive+	Mar-May	929	22.8	-41	± 77	-1.0	± 1.4
of which:							
Not wanting a job+	Mar-May	705		-6	± 69		
Wanting a job+	Mar-May	225		-35	± 43		
Civilian workforce jobs (not seasonally adjusted)	Mar 2003	3,205		24	..		
Claimant count	Jun 2003	113.7	3.4 ⁺⁺	-5.1		-0.2	

See background note 2 on sampling variability.

* Levels are for those aged 16 and over, rates are for those of working age (16-59/64).

** Levels and rates are for those aged 16 and over. Rate is as a proportion of economically active.

+ Levels and rates are for those of working age.

++ Denominator = claimant count + workforce jobs. For regional claimant count proportions, using resident working age populations see Table 17. See note on page 7 for further details.

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From May 2001: vacancy series deferred (see note on page 8).

New this month:

March to May 2003 data: latest three-month average LFS results;

June 2003 data: claimant count;

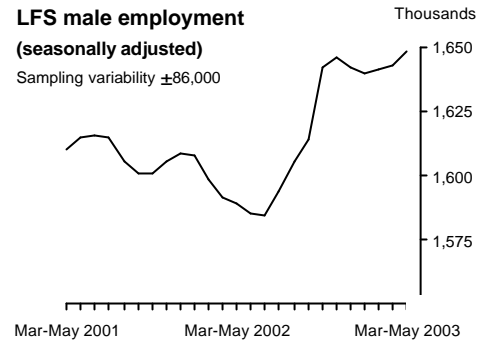
March 2003 data: workforce jobs.

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Employment (tables 1 to 6)

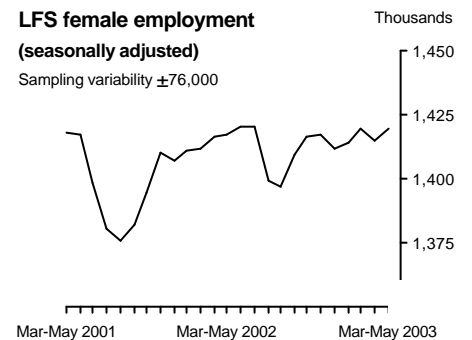
The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of employment in the North West was 73.3 per cent in the March to May 2003 period, up 1.4 percentage points on the same period a year earlier. The employment level was 3.07 million in the March to May 2003 period, up 62,000 on the same period a year earlier.



LFS estimates indicate an increase in both the number of employees and self-employed over the past year.

LFS estimates suggest an increase in both the number of full-time workers and part-time workers over the past year.

Seasonally adjusted employee jobs figures were down 4,000 in the quarter to March 2003.

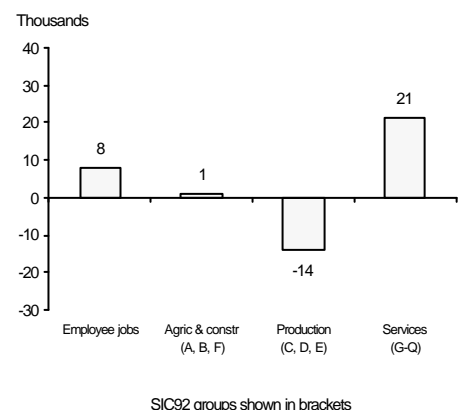


Not seasonally adjusted employee jobs were up 8,000 in the year to March 2003. This was mainly due to rises in the services and 'other' industries, partly offset by a fall in the manufacturing industry.

Unemployment (table 1)

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the North West was 5.0 per cent in the March to May 2003 period, down 0.6 percentage points on the same period a year earlier. The rates for men and women in March to May 2003 were 5.6 and 4.3 per cent respectively.

Employee jobs by industry
Change on year from March 2002



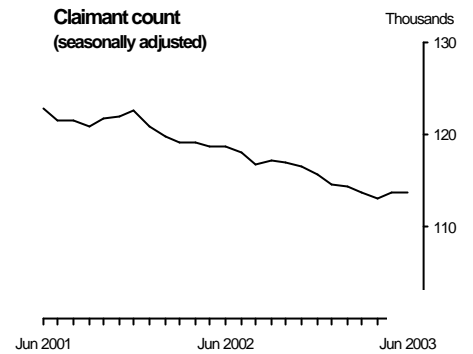
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Claimant count (tables 7 and 8)

The seasonally adjusted claimant count rate in June 2003 was 3.4 per cent, unchanged from May 2003, and down 0.2 percentage points since June 2002. The seasonally adjusted number of claimants in June 2003 was 113,700, down 100 on May 2003, and down 5,100 since June 2002. The not seasonally adjusted number of claimants was 112,800 in June 2003.



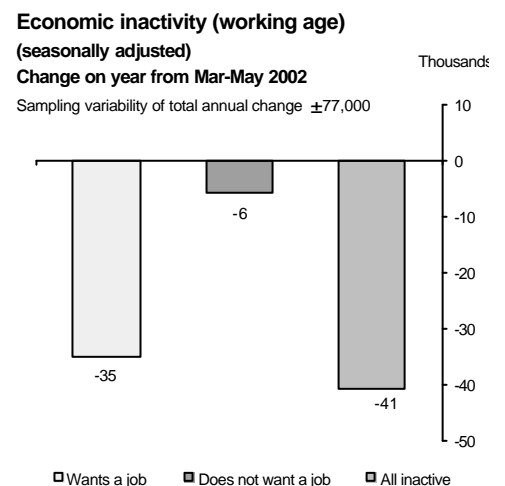
The not seasonally adjusted number of computerised claims of people aged 18 to 24 was 32,900 in June 2003, unchanged over the year. The number of computerised claims has fallen over the year for most age and duration groups.

Economically active (tables 1 and 9)

The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of economically active people in the North West was 3.23 million in the March to May 2003 period.

Economically inactive (tables 1, 10 and 11)

The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of economically inactive people in the North West in the March to May 2003 period was 2.04 million, with 929,000 of these of working age. Over the year the number of economically inactive people of working age was down 41,000.



Vacancies (table 12)

Publication of the seasonally adjusted Jobcentre vacancy series has been deferred. Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct – see note on page 8.

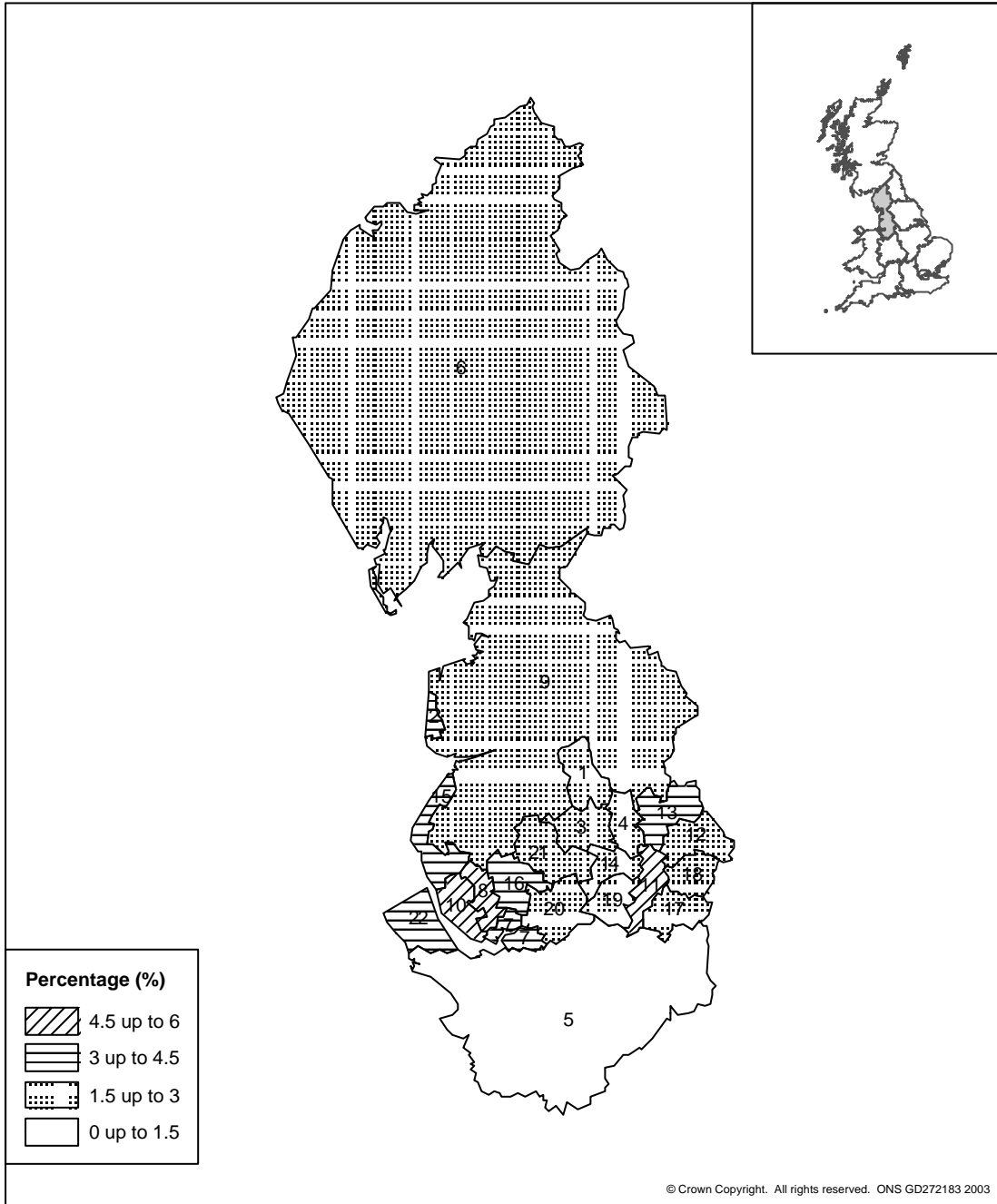
Local area data (table 17)

The claimant count as a proportion of the resident working age population was lowest in Ribble Valley, at 0.6 per cent. It was highest in Liverpool, at 5.6 per cent.

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Claimant count as a proportion of the resident working age population, by County/UA

June 2003 - North West



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1	Blackburn with Darwen UA	2.9%	12	Oldham	2.7%
2	Blackpool UA	3.0%	13	Rochdale	3.1%
3	Bolton	2.6%	14	Salford	2.9%
4	Bury	2.0%	15	Sefton	3.2%
5	Cheshire	1.4%	16	St. Helens	3.1%
6	Cumbria	2.1%	17	Stockport	1.7%
7	Halton UA	3.6%	18	Tameside	2.4%
8	Knowsley	4.6%	19	Trafford	2.0%
9	Lancashire	1.9%	20	Warrington UA	1.9%
10	Liverpool	5.6%	21	Wigan	2.4%
11	Manchester	5.3%	22	Wirral	3.4%

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REVISIONS

There are no significant revisions this month to the data in this release.

THIS MONTH

In this month's release four new tables are introduced (one for each of the four local area geographies: local authorities, parliamentary constituencies, travel-to-work areas and NUTS 3 areas) which present a framework of labour market statistics in order to give a better overall picture of the labour market for the local area. The tables are structured to present indicators on labour supply, labour demand and claimants of the Jobseekers' Allowance (JSA) working age benefit. This structure adheres to the labour accounting system described in the Framework Review of labour market statistics published on 5 August 2002 (see http://www.statistics.gov.uk/methods_quality/quality_review/downloads/LMSFR_Final.doc). A new labour demand indicator, jobs density, is included in these tables. The jobs density is the total number of jobs in the area (including employees, self-employed, government-supported trainees and armed forces personnel) divided by the number of working age residents of the area. The data in the Framework tables are annual, and come from a number of different sources.

As the new Framework tables contain annual Labour Force Survey (LFS) data, the table containing an annual local area LFS summary has been discontinued. Also, the tables giving monthly JSA claimant data will be retained for local authorities and parliamentary constituencies, but have been discontinued for travel-to-work areas and NUTS 3 areas. JSA claimant data for travel-to-work areas and NUTS 3 areas will continue to be available electronically, via Nomis[®].

SPECIAL

Interim Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates consistent with the 2001 Census

Regional LFS estimates

The publication, in February 2003, of Census 2001-consistent population estimates at local authority level has allowed the production of interim regional LFS estimates for the first time. Regional estimates consistent with the 2001 Census have been produced and were first published in the April 2003 release.

The population data published in February only covered periods up to mid-2001. Regional population totals for 2002-3 are derived from two separate sources. Totals for the countries of the UK are based on the 2001 Census-consistent interim projections

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published by the Government Actuary's Department (GAD) in November 2002. Totals for the English regions are calculated by applying the growth rates from the published 2000-based sub-national projections (consistent with 1991-based population totals) to the revised regional estimates for 2001. The totals calculated for 2002-3 were then constrained to the interim GAD projections for England referred to above.

Interim regional estimates have been produced for all periods back to the three-month period ending February 1997. Regional level LFS time series for earlier periods will be compiled and released as part of ONS's full LFS reweighting exercise in November 2003. Estimates for geographies below regions have not been reweighted using the interim method, but these also will be released in November 2003.

The methodology used to produce the interim regional LFS estimates is broadly consistent with that used to produce the UK interim LFS estimates. In broad terms, the old and new population data by age and sex were used to produce a matrix of adjustment factors for each region. These were then applied to the pre-2001 Census regional LFS estimates by sex and age. Where no age breakdown was available (as for full-time/part-time workers) these were scaled to the new reweighted totals.

Users of the interim regional LFS estimates should note that the interim methodology used does not achieve full additivity between the regional estimates and the national LFS estimates (though the differences are small). Full additivity in the series will be restored by the full reweighting exercise in November 2003.

Guidance notes and details of the methodology used for producing the interim LFS estimates are available in a paper on the website at

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/Methodology_by_theme/Interim_2001-Census-adjusted_LFS_estimates/default.asp.

Keeping LFS and population estimates consistent

During 2002, ONS introduced a new system in which interim, revised LFS time series, consistent with the 2001 Census, were published very soon after the publication of the necessary population data. Moving on from this innovation, ONS's aim is to ensure that its published LFS estimates continue to be kept closely in line with the latest published population data.

By 2005, re-engineered LFS systems will be in place that will enable the latest mid-year population estimate (MYE) to be incorporated into both revised LFS time series and revised microdata in September, following the release of each year's MYE in August.

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In the years 2003 and 2004, ONS will issue interim, revised LFS time series in the September of each year which incorporate the latest MYE published in August. For example, in 2003, the 2002 MYE will be published in August, followed by the publication in September of revised LFS time series for periods after the unchanged mid-2001 base.

In 2003 and 2004, also, the revised LFS microdata, and the final revised LFS time series based on this, will be published in the November of each year. This means that in September and October of each year, the LFS microdata for the previous two years or so will not be consistent with the interim, revised LFS time series. It also means that the June to August LFS microdata will be released in November, consistent with the latest population MYE, rather than, as previously, in October.

Each year's LFS seasonal adjustment review will be scheduled to coincide with the publication of the revised LFS microdata in order to avoid an additional occasion each year when revisions are made. Moreover, ONS and the Government Actuary's Department will be working together to ensure that the population data used for revising LFS series and microdata are in line with the latest population projections.

Further details are given on the National Statistics website at http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/Methodology_by_theme/downloads/Keeping_LFS_estimates_in_line.pdf.

Claimant count rates

Following the recommendations in the LMS Framework Review, the workplace-based claimant count rates for sub-regional areas have been withdrawn from National Statistics and have ceased to appear in ONS publications. Users wishing to calculate the rates themselves will be able to continue to do so, using information readily accessible via the Nomis[®] website (<http://www.nomisweb.co.uk>).

ONS is now publishing local area claimant count figures as a proportion of the resident working age population for local authorities (and corresponding data for NUTS 3 areas are available on Nomis[®]), using the mid-2001 population estimates published by ONS on 10 October 2002. Comparable figures for countries and regions of the United Kingdom are also published.

When the necessary ward-level working age population data are available from the 2001 Census, ONS will use these to calculate and publish residence-based claimant count proportions for travel-to-work areas and parliamentary constituencies. The claimant count proportions for parliamentary constituencies will be published in the regional First Releases and on Nomis[®]; the data for travel-to-work areas will be available on Nomis[®].

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The release of the necessary ward-level census is due on 30 June. Publication of the residence-based claimant count proportions for parliamentary constituencies and travel-to-work areas will be on 17 September 2003.

Tables 13 to 16: Local labour market indicators and Table 19: Comparison of pre-2001 and post-2001 Census population data

Tables 13 to 16 present a framework of labour market statistics for local areas. Data are presented as indicators of labour supply, labour demand and benefits. This structure adheres to the labour accounting system described in the Framework Review of labour market statistics published on 5 August 2002 (see http://www.statistics.gov.uk/methods_quality/quality_review/downloads/LMSFR_Final.doc).

These tables include data from the annual local area Labour Force Survey. Interim reweighting of monthly LFS estimates at national and regional level has been applied in order to take account of the 2001 Census results. For the annual local area LFS data such an interim reweighting is not possible. These annual tables will be brought into line with the 2001 Census using the same full reweighting method to be applied to the main LFS in November 2003. The revised annual tables will be published in December 2003. For more information on the annual local area Labour Force Survey, see background note 4.

Table 19 compares the 2001 working age population projections for local areas included in this release with the 2001 Census-based mid-year working age population estimates for 2001. The table is intended to give users an indication of the magnitude of possible changes to estimates of labour force survey variables when revised estimates are produced. It does not contain sufficient information to accurately predict what the revised estimates will be.

Vacancy data

Publication of the Jobcentre vacancy series has been deferred due to distortions to the data as a result of the introduction of Employer Direct by Jobcentre Plus.

A limited range of statistics on Jobcentre Plus vacancies, relating to the inflows of newly-notified vacancies, is now being made available on Nomis[®], though not at this stage as National Statistics. (For further details see the news and research item on page 455 of the September 2002 issue of *Labour Market Trends*.)

The introduction of Employer Direct, a major change which involves transferring the vacancy-taking process from local Jobcentres to regional Customer Service Centres, has affected the data since May 2001. Employer Direct has been gradually

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introduced across Great Britain as part of modernising the former Employment Service (now part of Jobcentre Plus) and has had the following effects:

- A temporary reduction in the recorded level of outflows and placings owing to some delays in following up vacancies with employers associated with the introduction of the new arrangements.
- An increase in the recorded level of newly-notified vacancies.
- Both the above effects have led to an increase in the recorded stock of unfilled vacancies.

Investigations have shown that these effects are substantial for all the vacancy series. While they cannot be quantified precisely, the effects are large enough to prevent meaningful comparisons with earlier data. Some of the distortions will also persist for a while after the full implementation of Employer Direct, which was completed in all regions at the end of January 2002. Publication of the Jobcentre vacancy series has therefore been deferred. ONS and the Department for Work and Pensions are continuing to monitor and review the data with the aim of reinstating the series as soon as possible.

The publication of the vacancy figures for Northern Ireland has been suspended since March 1999 as a result of a discontinuity identified during the introduction of a new computer system for processing vacancies to local offices of the Department for Employment and Learning (DEL). In the course of correcting for this difficulty, further problems of a procedural nature came to light as contributory factors. These further issues have delayed the reinstatement of published vacancy figures for Northern Ireland. DEL have now introduced a new internet-based operational system for vacancies and have resumed publication of some non-seasonally adjusted vacancy data for Northern Ireland on a provisional basis.

Claimant count

The introduction of Joint Claims for Jobseeker's Allowance on 19 March 2001, and its extension on 28 October 2002, means that both members of certain couples are now required to claim JSA jointly and both are required to look for work. The claimant count continues to include all individual claimants, so there are some extra claimants included as a result of these changes.

Since 19 March 2001 Joint Claims for JSA has applied to couples without dependent children where at least one member was born after 19 March 1976 and is aged over 18. Joint Claims was extended on 28 October 2002 to couples without dependent children where at least one member was born after 28 October 1957.

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ONS estimates that the introduction of Joint Claims had an initial upward effect on the claimant count, which accumulated between April and August 2001, of some 800 for the North West region at the time (approximately 300 men and 500 women). For the UK overall the initial impact was some 6,500 (approximately 2,200 men and 4,300 women). The total effect of the extension on 28 October has been to add a further estimated 450 claimants (100 men and 350 women) to the count for the North West region between October 2002 and February 2003 and 3,800 for the UK overall (approximately 900 men and 2,900 women).

The extent to which the introduction of Joint Claims may be treated as a discontinuity in the count, following past precedent, is difficult to assess but we will continue to monitor and review the effects. For information about previous treatment of discontinuities in the claimant count see, for example, the article 'Changes to the coverage of the monthly count of claimant unemployment' in *Labour Market Trends*, November 1995, page 398.

BACKGROUND NOTES

1. More information on the statistics in this release can be found in the *Guide to Labour Market Statistics Releases*, available from the labour market helpline 020 7533 6094. Information is also available on the National Statistics website at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/onlineproducts/default.asp>.
2. Some data in this release are based on statistical samples and, as such, are subject to sampling variability. If many samples were drawn, each would give a different result. The ranges shown for the LFS data in this release and in the following table represent '95 per cent confidence intervals'. It is expected that in 95 per cent of samples the range would contain the true value. For more information, see the *Guide to Labour Market Statistics Releases*.

March to May 2003

Thousands

	Levels			Quarterly changes			Annual changes		
	Lower limit	LFS estimate	Upper limit	Lower limit	LFS estimate	Upper limit	Lower limit	LFS estimate	Upper limit
Employment	3,007	3,068	3,130	-65	14	93	-17	62	140
Employment rate	72.1%	73.3%	74.4%	-1.3%	0.2%	1.7%	-0.1%	1.4%	2.9%
Unemployment	143	161	179	-26	-2	22	-41	-16	8
Unemployment rate	4.4%	5.0%	5.5%	-0.8%	-0.1%	0.6%	-1.3%	-0.6%	0.2%
Economically active	3,168	3,229	3,290	-66	12	90	-32	45	122
Economic activity rate	76.1%	77.2%	78.3%	-1.3%	0.2%	1.6%	-0.4%	1.0%	2.4%
Economically inactive	869	929	990	-84	-7	71	-118	-41	36

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Sampling variability of regional Labour Force Survey figures

March to May 2003

	Employment	Unemployment	Economically Active	Working age Economically Inactive	Employment Rate (%)	Unemployment Rate (%)
	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Level (000s)		
North East	± 35	± 12	± 35	± 36	± 1.9	± 1.0
North West	± 62	± 18	± 61	± 60	± 1.2	± 0.5
Yorks & Humber	± 48	± 15	± 47	± 45	± 1.2	± 0.6
East Midlands	± 39	± 12	± 39	± 43	± 1.3	± 0.6
West Midlands	± 49	± 16	± 48	± 47	± 1.2	± 0.6
East	± 50	± 15	± 49	± 46	± 1.1	± 0.5
London	± 64	± 24	± 61	± 62	± 1.1	± 0.6
South East	± 58	± 17	± 57	± 53	± 0.9	± 0.4
South West	± 48	± 13	± 48	± 46	± 1.2	± 0.5
Wales	± 38	± 11	± 38	± 38	± 1.7	± 0.8
Scotland	± 48	± 16	± 47	± 46	± 1.2	± 0.6

- The LFS sample population covers those living in private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation.
- Annual local area data from the LFS are included in Tables 13 to 16. These annual data are consistent with the best population estimates which were available before the results of the 2001 Census were published (and hence are not consistent with the regional data published in this release). Interim reweighting of monthly LFS estimates at national and regional level has been applied in order to take account of the 2001 Census results. For the annual local area LFS data such an interim reweighting is not possible. These annual tables will be brought into line with the 2001 Census using the same full reweighting method to be applied to the main LFS in November 2003. The revised annual tables will be published in December 2003. The annual LFS database is compiled by taking data from waves one and five of four quarters of the LFS and combining them with an additional sample of interviews. This sample boost was introduced in 2000 and has improved the accuracy of the annual estimates for some local areas in England and all local areas in Wales (a boost was also introduced in Scotland for the 2003/04 survey, and the results of this survey will be published in autumn 2004). There are now different publication thresholds for annual LFS data, depending on the size of the sample boost in the area. The thresholds are six thousand, four thousand, two thousand and as low as one thousand for some areas in Wales. For further information see Volume 6 of the *LFS User Guide*. This guide, along with additional data and further background information, are available on the National Statistics website at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/lfs>. A wide range of annual local area data from the LFS is available free from the Nomis[®] website at <http://www.nomisweb.co.uk>.

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5. Not seasonally adjusted claimant count and vacancies data are gathered from administrative sources and constitute a complete count. However, seasonally adjusted totals are presented as rounded to the nearest hundred to avoid spurious precision. Any differences between the sum of the rounded seasonally adjusted figures and the UK totals are due to this rounding.
6. Claimant count flows are the number of people joining or leaving the count in the period between the count dates. They are therefore affected by the number of weeks between count dates. To enable comparisons from month to month, the flows figures are standardised to a 4.33-week month before seasonal adjustment.
7. The number of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) claimants can be expressed as a proportion of either (a) the corresponding mid-year estimate (or the latest available mid-year estimate, currently for June 2000) of the workforce jobs in the area plus the number of claimants, or (b) the resident working age population. The number of workforce jobs is mainly collected through postal employer surveys and comprises employee jobs, self-employment jobs, HM armed forces and government-supported trainees and is used to calculate rates for regions and the countries of the UK. For smaller areas, proportions based on the resident working age populations are used.
8. The count of JSA claimants is mostly derived from the Jobcentre Plus computer records. However for various reasons, e.g. when a claimant's National Insurance number is not known, a few claims have to be dealt with manually by local offices. These claims, which amount to less than 1 per cent of the total, are thus counted separately and not analysed in as much detail as the computerised claims. In particular, only the computerised claims are analysed by age and duration on a monthly basis.
9. Travel-to-Work areas (Table 15) are approximations to self-contained labour markets, i.e. areas where people both live and work.
10. NUTS (Nomenclature des Unités Territoriales Statistiques) (Table 16) was established by the Statistical Office of the European Union (Eurostat) to provide a uniform breakdown of territorial units for the production of regional statistics. NUTS is a five-level hierarchical classification.
11. The employee jobs series is based on data from employer surveys and is subject to sampling variability. The nature of the survey means that the size of this sampling variability may not be consistent from year to year. Provisionally ONS would expect that the 95 per cent confidence interval would on

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average be within +/- 6 per cent of the estimate. However, this will vary from region to region.

12. Labour market statistics are compiled from a wide range of sources. Claimant count and Jobcentre vacancy data are provided from the Jobcentre Plus administrative system, workforce jobs are derived from ONS business surveys, other data come from the ONS Labour Force Survey.
13. The Social and Vital Statistics Division of ONS carries out the questionnaire design, sample selection and interviewing for the LFS. Analysis and publication of the results of the survey is undertaken by Labour Market Division. In Northern Ireland, the Labour Force Survey is conducted by the Central Survey Unit.
14. In addition to the data in this release, ONS can provide a wide range of detailed labour market data in a number of formats. In particular, data are available from Nomis[®] at the same time as this release is published. Further data are also published in *Labour Market Trends (LMT)* and the *Labour Force Survey Quarterly Supplement to LMT*.
15. Some of the series in the attached tables are also available on the National Statistics website. To access all the data from the Labour Market Statistics Integrated First Release (including series in this release where four-letter series identifiers are shown), click on the Time Series Data option and download the complete release, or view and download your own customised selection of series. You will also find other Labour Market releases within the Time Series Data service called Employment and Earnings and Claimant Count and Vacancies, which contain more data. Datasets of selected series can also be viewed by choosing topics within the Labour Market theme on our website (<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/labour>). For more information about the Time Series Data service or datasets, telephone 020 7533 5675 or email statbase@statistics.gov.uk.
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*	grossed up total less than 10,000		

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NATIONAL LABOUR MARKET SUMMARY, BY REGION

Summary of Labour Force Survey data

Thousands, seasonally adjusted

Labour Force Survey[†] (March to May 2003)

	Labour Force Survey [†] (March to May 2003)																
	Total aged 16 & over	Economically active					Employment						Unemployment				
	Total	Total		Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Total	Men		Women			
	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
North East	1,992	1,137	73.1	621	516	1,063	68.3	573	72.4	490	63.9	73	6.4	48	7.7	26	5.0
North West	5,269	3,229	77.2	1,746	1,483	3,068	73.3	1,649	77.6	1,419	68.7	161	5.0	97	5.6	63	4.3
Yorkshire & the Humber	3,912	2,430	78.4	1,326	1,104	2,300	74.1	1,241	78.5	1,059	69.4	130	5.4	85	6.4	45	4.1
East Midlands	3,323	2,108	79.4	1,158	950	2,019	76.1	1,106	81.2	913	70.5	88	4.2	52	4.5	36	3.8
West Midlands	4,134	2,575	78.5	1,413	1,163	2,427	74.0	1,319	78.5	1,109	69.1	148	5.7	94	6.6	54	4.6
East	4,304	2,801	81.9	1,526	1,275	2,686	78.4	1,464	83.7	1,222	72.8	115	4.1	62	4.0	54	4.2
London	5,730	3,667	75.2	2,002	1,665	3,412	69.9	1,851	76.2	1,560	63.5	255	7.0	150	7.5	105	6.3
South East	6,371	4,224	82.5	2,283	1,941	4,064	79.3	2,187	83.9	1,877	74.4	160	3.8	96	4.2	64	3.3
South West	3,955	2,510	81.8	1,355	1,156	2,414	78.6	1,299	82.4	1,116	74.6	96	3.8	56	4.1	40	3.5
England	38,991	24,681	78.9	13,429	11,252	23,453	74.9	12,689	79.8	10,765	69.8	1,227	5.0	740	5.5	487	4.3
Wales	2,302	1,374	76.5	726	647	1,313	73.0	684	74.8	628	71.0	61	4.4	42	5.8	19	2.9
Scotland	4,031	2,542	79.1	1,348	1,194	2,399	74.6	1,266	78.1	1,133	70.9	142	5.6	82	6.1	60	5.1
Great Britain	45,324	28,596	78.8	15,504	13,092	27,165	74.8	14,639	79.4	12,526	70.0	1,431	5.0	864	5.6	566	4.3
N Ireland	1,286	786	73.7	441	345	745	69.7	416	76.9	328	62.1	41	5.3	25	5.6	17	4.9
United Kingdom	46,618	29,387	78.7	15,947	13,440	27,913	74.7	15,055	79.3	12,858	69.8	1,474	5.0	892	5.6	582	4.3

Change on quarter: +

	Labour Force Survey [†] (March to May 2003)																
	Total aged 16 & over	Economically active					Employment						Unemployment				
	Total	Total		Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Total	Men		Women			
	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
North East	0	6	0.3	9	-3	7	0.3	10	1.4	-3	-0.7	-1	-0.1	-1	-0.3	0	0.0
North West	2	12	0.2	6	6	14	0.2	9	0.2	5	0.3	-2	-0.1	-3	-0.2	1	0.0
Yorkshire & the Humber	3	24	0.9	13	11	12	0.5	3	0.2	9	0.7	12	0.5	10	0.7	2	0.2
East Midlands	5	6	-0.2	10	-4	10	0.0	15	0.7	-5	-0.7	-4	-0.2	-5	-0.5	1	0.1
West Midlands	3	-15	-0.4	-3	-12	-11	-0.3	-9	-0.4	-2	-0.2	-4	-0.1	5	0.4	-10	-0.8
East	9	12	0.3	9	3	19	0.5	18	0.8	1	0.1	-7	-0.3	-10	-0.7	2	0.2
London	10	14	0.1	4	10	7	0.0	7	0.1	0	-0.2	7	0.2	-3	-0.2	10	0.6
South East	13	2	-0.2	1	0	6	-0.1	1	-0.2	4	0.1	-4	-0.1	0	0.0	-4	-0.2
South West	7	-7	-0.5	6	-12	-11	-0.6	0	-0.5	-11	-0.6	4	0.2	6	0.4	-1	-0.1
England	51	53	0.0	54	-1	53	0.0	54	0.2	-1	-0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0
Wales	2	26	1.3	7	19	30	1.5	6	0.4	24	2.7	-4	-0.4	1	0.1	-5	-0.9
Scotland	1	-1	-0.3	2	-3	12	0.2	12	0.6	0	-0.3	-13	-0.5	-10	-0.7	-3	-0.3
Great Britain	55	78	0.1	63	14	95	0.1	72	0.2	23	0.0	-17	-0.1	-9	-0.1	-8	-0.1
N Ireland	2	-2	-0.2	-4	1	0	-0.1	-3	-0.4	2	0.3	-2	-0.2	-1	-0.2	-1	-0.3
United Kingdom	57	82	0.1	62	20	101	0.1	72	0.2	29	0.1	-20	-0.1	-10	-0.1	-9	-0.1

Change on year:

	Labour Force Survey [†] (March to May 2003)																
	Total aged 16 & over	Economically active					Employment						Unemployment				
	Total	Total		Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Total	Men		Women			
	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
North East	1	-11	-0.7	13	-24	-6	-0.5	17	2.0	-23	-3.0	-5	-0.4	-3	-0.7	-2	-0.1
North West	9	45	1.0	47	-2	62	1.4	60	2.6	2	0.2	-16	-0.6	-13	-0.9	-4	-0.2
Yorkshire & the Humber	12	36	1.1	17	19	34	1.1	10	0.6	24	1.6	1	0.0	7	0.4	-5	-0.6
East Midlands	19	11	-0.4	14	-3	12	-0.4	14	0.1	-2	-0.9	-1	-0.1	0	-0.1	-1	-0.1
West Midlands	10	-9	-0.1	-15	6	-12	-0.2	-23	-1.0	11	0.6	3	0.1	8	0.7	-5	-0.5
East	34	15	-0.3	6	9	1	-0.7	2	-1.0	-1	-0.5	14	0.5	5	0.3	10	0.7
London	43	-10	-0.9	-1	-9	-12	-1.0	-5	-1.1	-8	-0.8	3	0.1	4	0.2	-1	0.0
South East	53	-7	-0.9	-11	4	-1	-0.7	-14	-1.2	13	-0.1	-6	-0.1	3	0.2	-9	-0.5
South West	29	15	-0.3	23	-8	10	-0.4	24	0.0	-14	-0.8	5	0.2	-1	-0.2	6	0.6
England	209	85	-0.2	93	-8	87	-0.2	85	-0.1	3	-0.2	-2	0.0	9	0.0	-11	-0.1
Wales	10	63	3.2	12	52	82	4.2	17	1.2	65	7.4	-18	-1.6	-5	-0.8	-13	-2.5
Scotland	5	20	0.4	20	0	51	1.3	41	2.3	10	0.2	-31	-1.3	-21	-1.6	-10	-0.8
Great Britain	224	168	0.0	125	43	220	0.2	142	0.2	78	0.2	-51	-0.2	-17	-0.2	-34	-0.3
N Ireland	10	26	1.8	22	4	26	1.8	23	3.6	4	-0.1	0	-0.1	-1	-0.4	1	0.2
United Kingdom	235	203	0.1	151	52	254	0.3	169	0.3	85	0.2	-50	-0.2	-18	-0.2	-33	-0.3

Relationship between columns: 2= 4+5= 6+12; 6= 8+10; 12= 14+16.

Data source: Labour Force Survey

* Denominator = all persons of working age.

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** Denominator = Total economically active.

† Labour Force Survey is tabulated by region of residence.

+ Quarter to quarter changes at regional level are particularly subject to sampling variability and should be interpreted in the context of changes over several quarters rather than in isolation.

The Labour Force Survey is a survey of the population in private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation.

Some of the series in this table are available electronically through the ONS Time Series Data service. See background note 15 for further details.

Due to slight methodological differences between the way the national and regional LFS estimates have been interim adjusted for the 2001 Census, there may be small differences between the UK totals and the sum of the regional components.

NATIONAL LABOUR MARKET SUMMARY, BY REGION

Summary of other headline indicators

Thousands

	Employer surveys			Jobcentre Plus administrative system						Jobcentre Plus administrative system		
	Civilian workforce jobs** (Mar 2003); not seasonally adjusted			Claimant count* (June 2003); seasonally adjusted						Jobcentre vacancies (June 2003); seasonally adjusted		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Notified vacancies	Unfilled vacancies	Outflow of vacancies	
	Level	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)	Level	Rate (%)	Level				Rate (%)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
North East	1,064	564	500	53.4	4.8	41.9	7.0	11.5	2.2			
North West	3,205	1,705	1,500	113.7	3.4	88.2	4.9	25.5	1.7			
Yorkshire & the Humber	2,320	1,211	1,110	86.0	3.6	65.6	5.1	20.4	1.8			
East Midlands	1,943	995	949	60.4	3.0	44.7	4.2	15.7	1.6			
West Midlands	2,542	1,342	1,200	96.0	3.6	72.8	5.1	23.2	1.9			
East	2,587	1,379	1,208	59.8	2.2	43.6	3.0	16.2	1.3			
London	4,510	2,447	2,063	173.5	3.7	124.6	4.8	48.9	2.3			
South East	4,167	2,180	1,987	76.8	1.8	56.9	2.5	19.9	1.0			
South West	2,414	1,269	1,145	50.1	2.0	36.8	2.7	13.3	1.1			
England	24,752	13,090	11,661	769.7	3.0	575.1	4.1	194.6	1.6			
Wales	1,254	651	603	46.0	3.6	35.2	5.2	10.8	1.8			
Scotland	2,499	1,294	1,205	101.1	3.8	78.2	5.7	22.9	1.8			
Great Britain	28,505	15,036	13,469	916.8	3.1	688.5	4.3	228.3	1.7			
N Ireland	763	403	361	35.2	4.4	26.9	6.1	8.3	2.3			
United Kingdom	29,269	15,439	13,830	952.0	3.1	715.4	4.4	236.6	1.7			

Publication of these vacancy statistics has been deferred. Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct - see note on page 8.

Changes on period (period specified below):

	Employer surveys			Jobcentre Plus administrative system						Jobcentre Plus administrative system		
	Civilian workforce jobs (Change on Mar 2002); not seasonally adjusted			Claimant count* (Change on May 2003) seasonally adjusted						Jobcentre vacancies (Change on May 2003) seasonally adjusted		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Notified vacancies	Unfilled vacancies	Outflow of vacancies	
	Level	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)	Level	Rate (%)	Level				Rate (%)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
North East	26	22	4	-0.9	-0.1	-0.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.0			
North West	24	10	15	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0			
Yorkshire & the Humber	20	5	15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
East Midlands	-23	-28	4	0.6	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.0			
West Midlands	-13	-16	4	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0			
East	-11	-21	10	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0			
London	29	5	24	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0			
South East	24	-9	33	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0			
South West	-15	7	-22	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0			
England	62	-25	86	0.8	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.2	0.0			
Wales	32	28	5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Scotland	-5	6	-11	0.6	0.0	0.7	0.1	-0.1	0.0			
Great Britain	89	9	80	1.6	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.2	0.0			
N Ireland	0	-5	5	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0			
United Kingdom	89	4	85	1.7	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.0			

Publication of these vacancy statistics has been deferred. Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct - see note on page 8.

Relationship between columns: 1= 2+3; 4= 6+8

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* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

** Workforce jobs is tabulated by region of workplace. Claimant count is tabulated by region of claimant's residence.

+ Denominator = claimant count + workforce jobs. NB: these are different from the proportions of the working age populations claiming Jobseeker's Allowance for local areas shown in Table 17.

See note on page 7 for further details.

Some of the series in this table are available electronically through the ONS Time Series Data service. See background note 15 for further details.

The civilian workforce jobs data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data - see note on page 5.

REGIONAL DATA

North West

(thousands),
seasonally
adjusted

1 Summary of LFS data for March to May 2003

		All aged 16 & over								
		All aged 16 & over	Total economically active	Total in Employment	Unemployed	Economically Inactive	Economic activity rate(%)	Employment rate (%)	Unemployment rate (%)	Economic inactivity rate(%)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		YCHD	YCHQ	YCJQ	YCMQ	HKMP			YCND	
People	Mar - May 2001	5,250	3,200	3,029	172	2,049	61.0	57.7	5.4	39.0
	Mar - May 2002	5,260	3,184	3,007	177	2,076	60.5	57.2	5.6	39.5
	Jun - Aug 2002	5,263	3,168	2,994	174	2,095	60.2	56.9	5.5	39.8
	Sep - Nov 2002	5,265	3,223	3,059	164	2,042	61.2	58.1	5.1	38.8
	Dec - Feb 2003	5,267	3,217	3,054	163	2,050	61.1	58.0	5.1	38.9
	Mar - May 2003	5,269	3,229	3,068	161	2,040	61.3	58.2	5.0	38.7
	<i>change on quarter</i>	2	12	14	-2	-10	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.2
	<i>change %</i>	0.0	0.4	0.5	-1.2	-0.5				
	<i>change on year</i>	9	45	62	-16	-36	0.8	1.1	-0.6	-0.8
	<i>change %</i>	0.2	1.4	2.0	-9.3	-1.7				
Men	Mar - May 2001	2,514	1,720	1,610	109	795	68.4	64.1	6.3	31.6
	Mar - May 2002	2,522	1,700	1,589	110	823	67.4	63.0	6.5	32.6
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,524	1,699	1,594	105	825	67.3	63.2	6.2	32.7
	Sep - Nov 2002	2,526	1,745	1,642	103	781	69.1	65.0	5.9	30.9
	Dec - Feb 2003	2,527	1,741	1,640	100	787	68.9	64.9	5.8	31.1
	Mar - May 2003	2,529	1,746	1,649	97	783	69.1	65.2	5.6	30.9
	<i>change on quarter</i>	2	6	9	-3	-4	0.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.2
	<i>change %</i>	0.1	0.3	0.5	-2.9	-0.5				
	<i>change on year</i>	7	47	60	-13	-40	1.7	2.2	-0.9	-1.7
	<i>change %</i>	0.3	2.8	3.8	-11.7	-4.9				
Women	Mar - May 2001	2,735	1,481	1,418	63	1,254	54.1	51.8	4.2	45.9
	Mar - May 2002	2,738	1,484	1,418	67	1,254	54.2	51.8	4.5	45.8
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,739	1,468	1,399	69	1,270	53.6	51.1	4.7	46.4
	Sep - Nov 2002	2,739	1,478	1,417	62	1,261	54.0	51.7	4.2	46.0
	Dec - Feb 2003	2,740	1,476	1,414	62	1,264	53.9	51.6	4.2	46.1
	Mar - May 2003	2,740	1,483	1,419	63	1,258	54.1	51.8	4.3	45.9
	<i>change on quarter</i>	1	6	5	1	-6	0.2	0.2	0.0	-0.2
	<i>change %</i>	0.0	0.4	0.4	1.6	-0.5				
	<i>change on year</i>	2	-2	2	-4	4	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.1
	<i>change %</i>	0.1	-0.1	0.1	-5.3	0.3				

		All aged 16 to 59/64								
		All aged 16 to 59/64	Total economically active	Total in Employment	Unemployed	Economically Inactive	Economic activity rate(%)	Employment rate (%)	Unemployment rate (%)	Economic inactivity rate(%)
		10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
							YCID	YCKD		YCZZ
People	Mar - May 2001	4,060	3,119	2,949	170	940	76.8	72.6	5.4	23.2
	Mar - May 2002	4,067	3,097	2,921	176	970	76.1	71.8	5.7	23.9
	Jun - Aug 2002	4,069	3,091	2,918	173	978	76.0	71.7	5.6	24.0
	Sep - Nov 2002	4,070	3,139	2,976	163	931	77.1	73.1	5.2	22.9
	Dec - Feb 2003	4,071	3,135	2,973	161	936	77.0	73.0	5.2	23.0
	Mar - May 2003	4,071	3,142	2,983	159	929	77.2	73.3	5.1	22.8
	<i>change on quarter</i>	1	7	10	-2	-7	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.2
	<i>change %</i>	0.0	0.2	0.3	-1.4	-0.7				
	<i>change on year</i>	4	45	62	-17	-41	1.0	1.4	-0.6	-1.0
	<i>change %</i>	0.1	1.5	2.1	-9.6	-4.2				
Men	Mar - May 2001	2,085	1,696	1,587	109	389	81.3	76.1	6.4	18.7
	Mar - May 2002	2,088	1,674	1,565	110	414	80.2	74.9	6.5	19.8
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,089	1,678	1,573	105	411	80.3	75.3	6.2	19.7
	Sep - Nov 2002	2,089	1,719	1,617	102	370	82.3	77.4	6.0	17.7
	Dec - Feb 2003	2,089	1,716	1,617	99	373	82.1	77.4	5.8	17.9
	Mar - May 2003	2,090	1,717	1,621	96	373	82.2	77.6	5.6	17.8
	<i>change on quarter</i>	0	1	4	-3	-1	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.0
	<i>change %</i>	0.0	0.1	0.3	-3.3	-0.1				
	<i>change on year</i>	2	43	56	-13	-41	2.0	2.6	-0.9	-2.0
	<i>change %</i>	0.1	2.6	3.6	-12.3	-9.8				
Women	Mar - May 2001	1,975	1,424	1,363	61	552	72.1	69.0	4.3	27.9
	Mar - May 2002	1,980	1,423	1,357	66	557	71.9	68.5	4.7	28.1
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,980	1,413	1,344	69	567	71.4	67.9	4.9	28.6
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,981	1,420	1,359	61	561	71.7	68.6	4.3	28.3
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,981	1,419	1,357	62	562	71.6	68.5	4.4	28.4
	Mar - May 2003	1,982	1,425	1,362	63	556	71.9	68.7	4.4	28.1
	<i>change on quarter</i>	0	6	5	1	-6	0.3	0.3	0.0	-0.3
	<i>change %</i>	0.0	0.4	0.4	1.6	-1.1				
	<i>change on year</i>	2	2	6	-3	0	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.0
	<i>change %</i>	0.1	0.2	0.4	-5.1	0.0				

Relationship between columns: 1= 2+5; 2= 3+4; 6= 2/1; 7= 3/1; 8= 4/2

Source: Labour Force Survey

9= 5/1; 10= 11+14; 11= 12+13; 15= 11/10; 16= 12/10; 17= 13/11; 18= 14/10

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The Labour Force Survey is a survey of the population in private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation.

The data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data - see note on page 5.

REGIONAL DATA

North West

1a Summary of other headline indicators

(thousands),
seasonally
adjusted

		Civilian workforce jobs (not seasonally adjusted)			Claimant count*		
		Levels			Rates (%)**		
		Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
		IBWA	ZMPU	ZMPW	IBWC	ZMPV	ZMPX
	Mar 00 r	3,144	1,676	1,468			
	Mar 01 r	3,148	1,655	1,492			
	Mar 02 r	3,181	1,696	1,485			
	Jun 02 r	3,186	1,693	1,493			
	Sep 02 r	3,209	1,706	1,503			
	Dec 02 r	3,237	1,726	1,511			
	Mar 03	3,205	1,705	1,500			
<i>Change on year</i>		24	10	15			
<i>Change %</i>		0.8	0.6	1.0			
	2002						
	June#	118.8	92.5	26.3	3.6	5.2	1.7
	July	118.1	92.0	26.1	3.6	5.1	1.7
	August	116.8	91.2	25.6	3.5	5.1	1.7
	September#	117.2	91.3	25.9	3.5	5.1	1.7
	October	116.9	91.1	25.8	3.5	5.1	1.7
	November#	116.5	90.8	25.7	3.5	5.1	1.7
	December	115.7	90.0	25.7	3.5	5.0	1.7
	2003						
	January	114.7	89.1	25.6	3.5	5.0	1.7
	February#	114.4	88.8	25.6	3.5	5.0	1.7
	March	113.7	88.1	25.6	3.4	4.9	1.7
	April	113.0	87.5	25.5	3.4	4.9	1.7
	May (r)	113.8	88.2	25.6	3.4	4.9	1.7
	June# (p)	113.7	88.2	25.5	3.4	4.9	1.7
<i>Change on period</i>		-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Change %</i>		-0.1	0.0	-0.4			
<i>Change on year</i>		-5.1	-4.3	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1
<i>Change %</i>		-4.3	-4.6	-3.0			

	Notified vacancies	Unfilled vacancies
	Level	Level
	IBWG	IBWE
2002		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October	Publication of these vacancy statistics has been deferred.	
November	Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of	
December	Employer Direct - see note on page 8.	
2003		
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		

* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

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** Denominator = claimant count + workforce jobs. NB these are different from the proportions of the working age populations claiming Jobseeker's Allowance for local areas shown in Table 17.

Data source: Employer surveys, DFES Training Data System, Jobcentre Plus administrative system.

See note on page 7 for further details.

Months where there are 5 weeks between count dates. All the rest are 4 week periods.

The civilian workforce jobs data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data - see note on page 5.

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2 Employment by age

North West

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		All aged 16 & over	16 - 59/64	16 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64 (m) 50 - 59 (w)	65+ (m) & 60+ (w)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Employed									
People	Mar - May 2000	3,007	2,932	80	363	744	1,131	614	75
	Mar - May 2001	3,021	2,943	80	332	732	1,161	639	78
	Mar - May 2002	3,001	2,918	66	362	683	1,161	645	84
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,998	2,923	67	382	679	1,149	646	75
	Sep - Nov 2002	3,066	2,983	82	391	695	1,145	670	84
	Dec - Feb 2003	3,055	2,974	68	398	666	1,155	686	81
	Mar - May 2003	3,066	2,981	64	383	670	1,158	705	85
	<i>Change on year</i>	65	63	-2	21	-13	-3	60	2
<i>Change %</i>	2.2	2.2	-3.3	5.8	-1.9	-0.2	9.3	2.2	
Men	Mar - May 2000	1,643	1,621	44	201	407	598	371	22
	Mar - May 2001	1,608	1,584	41	175	389	602	379	24
	Mar - May 2002	1,584	1,561	30	185	363	603	379	24
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,605	1,584	29	199	365	606	384	21
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,647	1,622	38	207	373	607	397	25
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,637	1,614	35	202	366	608	403	23
	Mar - May 2003	1,640	1,612	34	199	362	610	409	28
	<i>Change on year</i>	56	52	4	13	-1	7	29	4
<i>Change %</i>	3.5	3.3	12.1	7.2	-0.3	1.1	7.8	17.5	
Women	Mar - May 2000	1,363	1,311	36	161	337	533	243	53
	Mar - May 2001	1,414	1,359	39	157	343	559	260	55
	Mar - May 2002	1,417	1,357	36	177	321	558	266	60
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,393	1,338	38	182	314	543	261	54
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,419	1,361	44	184	322	538	273	58
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,418	1,360	33	196	300	547	282	58
	Mar - May 2003	1,426	1,368	30	185	308	548	296	57
	<i>Change on year</i>	9	11	-6	8	-12	-9	31	-2
<i>Change %</i>	0.6	0.8	-16.0	4.4	-3.8	-1.6	11.5	-3.9	
Employment rates (%)⁺									
People	Mar - May 2000	57.4	72.4	47.0	67.1	79.2	80.9	61.2	6.3
	Mar - May 2001	57.6	72.5	45.4	60.5	80.5	82.3	63.0	6.6
	Mar - May 2002	57.1	71.7	36.4	64.6	77.9	81.5	63.1	7.0
	Jun - Aug 2002	57.0	71.8	36.7	67.7	78.1	80.5	63.0	6.3
	Sep - Nov 2002	58.2	73.3	44.7	68.9	80.5	80.0	65.3	7.0
	Dec - Feb 2003	58.0	73.1	37.3	69.7	77.8	80.6	66.8	6.8
	Mar - May 2003	58.2	73.2	34.9	66.7	78.9	80.7	68.6	7.1
	<i>Change on year</i>	1.1	1.5	-1.5	2.1	1.0	-0.8	5.5	0.1
Men	Mar - May 2000	65.5	77.8	50.7	75.8	88.6	86.8	63.7	5.3
	Mar - May 2001	64.0	76.0	45.2	64.6	87.9	86.6	64.5	5.5
	Mar - May 2002	62.8	74.7	32.2	67.0	85.0	86.1	64.1	5.5
	Jun - Aug 2002	63.6	75.8	31.3	71.7	86.3	86.4	64.9	4.8
	Sep - Nov 2002	65.2	77.6	40.6	74.1	88.9	86.4	66.9	5.8
	Dec - Feb 2003	64.8	77.3	37.3	71.8	87.9	86.4	67.9	5.2
	Mar - May 2003	64.9	77.2	35.8	70.1	87.5	86.5	68.7	6.4
	<i>Change on year</i>	2.1	2.4	3.6	3.1	2.5	0.4	4.6	0.9
Women	Mar - May 2000	49.9	66.6	43.2	58.7	70.1	75.2	57.8	6.9
	Mar - May 2001	51.7	68.8	45.5	56.5	73.5	78.1	60.9	7.2
	Mar - May 2002	51.7	68.6	40.8	62.2	71.1	77.0	61.6	7.9
	Jun - Aug 2002	50.9	67.6	42.4	63.8	70.3	74.8	60.4	7.2
	Sep - Nov 2002	51.8	68.7	49.1	63.9	72.6	73.9	63.1	7.7
	Dec - Feb 2003	51.7	68.6	37.4	67.7	68.3	75.1	65.2	7.7
	Mar - May 2003	52.0	69.1	34.0	63.4	70.7	75.0	68.4	7.6
	<i>Change on year</i>	0.3	0.5	-6.7	1.2	-0.4	-2.0	6.7	-0.3

Relationship between columns: 1=2+8; 2= 3+4+5+6+7

Source: Labour Force Survey

⁺ Denominator = all persons in the relevant age group

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The LFS sample population covers those living in private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation.

The data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data - see note on page 5.

EMPLOYMENT

North West

3 Full-time, part-time and temporary workers (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		All in employment					All in employment			
		Total*	Employees*	Self employed*	Unpaid family workers	Government-supported training and employment programmes	Full-time workers	Part-time workers	Workers with second jobs	Temporary employees
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
People	Mar - May 2000	3,007	2,685	296	*	17	2,273	734	115	170
	Mar - May 2001	3,021	2,709	288	*	18	2,267	754	111	154
	Mar - May 2002	3,001	2,673	309	*	10	2,264	736	102	145
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,998	2,678	302	*	10	2,255	742	94	152
	Sep - Nov 2002	3,066	2,750	295	*	12	2,323	742	122	152
	Dec - Feb 2003	3,055	2,728	312	*	*	2,312	741	110	150
	Mar - May 2003	3,066	2,728	319	*	11	2,299	766	102	132
	<i>Change on year</i>	65	55	10	*	1	35	30	0	-13
	<i>Change %</i>	2.2	2.1	3.3	*	7.7	1.5	4.1	0.3	-9.0
Men	Mar - May 2000	1,643	1,404	226	*	11	1,501	142	47	80
	Mar - May 2001	1,608	1,376	217	*	13	1,461	147	43	75
	Mar - May 2002	1,584	1,343	232	*	*	1,450	134	38	71
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,605	1,370	226	*	*	1,463	141	43	70
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,647	1,411	226	*	*	1,502	144	50	69
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,637	1,395	236	*	*	1,499	137	49	59
	Mar - May 2003	1,640	1,396	236	*	*	1,483	157	47	64
	<i>Change on year</i>	56	53	4	*	*	33	23	9	-6
	<i>Change %</i>	3.5	3.9	1.7	*	*	2.3	17.2	25.0	-8.9
Women	Mar - May 2000	1,363	1,281	70	*	*	772	592	67	90
	Mar - May 2001	1,414	1,333	71	*	*	806	607	68	78
	Mar - May 2002	1,417	1,329	77	*	*	814	602	64	75
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,393	1,307	76	*	*	791	601	52	82
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,419	1,339	69	*	*	821	598	72	83
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,418	1,333	75	*	*	814	604	61	91
	Mar - May 2003	1,426	1,332	83	*	*	816	610	55	68
	<i>Change on year</i>	9	3	6	*	*	2	7	-9	-7
	<i>Change %</i>	0.6	0.2	8.1	*	*	0.2	1.2	-14.4	-9.1

		Temporary employees (reasons for temporary working)				Part-time workers (reasons for part-time working) [#]			
		Total**	Could not find permanent job	Did not want a permanent job	Other	Total**	Could not find full-time job	Did not want full-time job	Other
		10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
People	Mar - May 2000	170	54	47	69	722	82	509	132
	Mar - May 2001	154	54	39	61	740	75	534	131
	Mar - May 2002	145	46	37	63	720	71	521	126
	Jun - Aug 2002	152	46	42	64	732	73	537	120
	Sep - Nov 2002	152	46	39	67	729	73	532	121
	Dec - Feb 2003	150	41	38	71	732	70	537	123
	Mar - May 2003	132	42	30	61	754	70	555	127
	<i>Change on year</i>	-13	-4	-7	-2	34	-1	34	1
	<i>Change %</i>	-9.0	-9.1	-17.8	0.0	4.7	-1.6	6.5	0.8

Relationship between columns: 1=2+3+4+5

Source: Labour Force Survey

[#] Employees and self-employed

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* Includes people who did not state whether they worked part-time or full-time

** Includes people who did not state their reason for temporary/part-time working

The LFS sample population covers those living in private households, students halls of residence and NHS accommodation.

The data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data - see note on page 5.

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4 Civilian workforce jobs

North West

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		Civilian workforce jobs	Employee jobs	Self- employment jobs	Government- supported trainees
		1	2	3	4
All jobs	Mar 99 r	3,130	2,789	326	15
	Mar 00 r	3,144	2,805	322	16
	Mar 01 r	3,148	2,830	304	14
	Mar 02 r	3,181	2,849	322	10
	Jun 02 r	3,186	2,856	319	11
	Sep 02 r	3,209	2,873	323	13
	Dec 02 r	3,237	2,892	332	13
	Mar 03	3,205	2,857	335	13
<i>Change on year</i>		24	8	13	3
<i>Change %</i>		0.8	0.3	4.0	28.8
Male jobs	Mar 99 r	1,654	1,407	239	8
	Mar 00 r	1,676	1,428	237	10
	Mar 01 r	1,655	1,424	223	8
	Mar 02 r	1,696	1,450	240	6
	Jun 02 r	1,693	1,451	235	6
	Sep 02 r	1,706	1,457	241	8
	Dec 02 r	1,726	1,470	248	8
	Mar 03	1,705	1,451	247	8
<i>Change on year</i>		10	1	7	1
<i>Change %</i>		0.6	0.1	3.0	23.3
Female jobs	Mar 99 r	1,475	1,381	87	7
	Mar 00 r	1,468	1,377	85	7
	Mar 01 r	1,492	1,407	80	5
	Mar 02 r	1,485	1,399	82	4
	Jun 02	1,493	1,405	84	4
	Sep 02 r	1,503	1,416	82	5
	Dec 02	1,511	1,422	84	5
	Mar 03	1,500	1,407	88	5
<i>Change on year</i>		15	8	6	1
<i>Change %</i>		1.0	0.5	6.9	37.7

Sources: Employer surveys, Labour Force Survey, DfES

Relationship between columns: 1=2+3+4

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The Workforce Jobs series measures jobs rather than people, therefore, second self-employment jobs (where the main job is an employee) are now included in this series.

Civilian Workforce Jobs figures come from a variety of sources. Employee Jobs (which is much the largest component of Civilian Workforce Jobs) come from quarterly surveys of employers carried out by Prices & Business Group (PBG) of ONS and Administrative Returns.

Self-employment jobs figures are provided by the LFS and Government-supported trainees figures are provided by ES Training Data Systems.

The civilian workforce jobs data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data - see note on page 5.

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North West

5 Employee jobs by industry

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

Standard Industrial Classification (1992)

SIC 1992 SECTION		All jobs (seasonally adjusted)	Agriculture Forestry & Fishing	Mining & Water Supplies Industries	Manufacturing Industries	Construction	Service Industries	Other Industries	
		All jobs A-Q	A,B	C,E	D	F	G-K	L-Q	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
All jobs	Mar 00 r	2,817	2,805	19	18	511	120	1,288	848
	Mar 01 r	2,844	2,830	14	21	493	135	1,310	857
	Mar 02 r	2,864	2,849	14	21	471	128	1,329	886
	Jun 02 r	2,865	2,856	14	21	467	130	1,338	887
	Sep 02 r	2,868	2,873	13	21	463	127	1,359	891
	Dec 02 r	2,876	2,892	11	21	458	136	1,371	896
	Mar 03	2,873	2,857	12	20	458	131	1,343	893
	<i>Change on qtr</i>	-4							
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.1							
	<i>Change on year</i>	9	8	-2	-1	-13	3	14	7
	<i>Change %</i>	0.3	0.3	-13.9	-2.7	-2.8	2.5	1.1	0.8
Male jobs	Mar 00 r	1,431	1,428	13	12	374	102	658	269
	Mar 01 r	1,430	1,424	9	13	359	115	650	277
	Mar 02 r	1,457	1,450	9	13	348	112	683	285
	Jun 02 r	1,458	1,451	9	13	344	114	687	284
	Sep 02 r	1,457	1,457	9	13	342	111	698	284
	Dec 02 r	1,459	1,470	8	13	339	120	704	287
	Mar 03	1,457	1,451	8	13	339	115	692	284
	<i>Change on qtr</i>	-3							
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.2							
	<i>Change on year</i>	0	1	-1	0	-9	3	9	-1
	<i>Change %</i>	0.0	0.1	-10.2	-2.5	-2.6	2.6	1.3	-0.3
Female jobs	Mar 00 r	1,386	1,377	6	6	138	18	631	579
	Mar 01 r	1,414	1,407	5	8	134	19	660	580
	Mar 02 r	1,407	1,399	5	8	123	16	646	601
	Jun 02 r	1,407	1,405	5	8	123	16	650	603
	Sep 02 r	1,411	1,416	4	8	121	16	661	607
	Dec 02	1,417	1,422	3	8	119	16	668	609
	Mar 03	1,416	1,407	4	8	119	16	651	609
	<i>Change on qtr</i>	-1							
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.1							
	<i>Change on year</i>	9	8	-1	0	-4	0	5	8
	<i>Change %</i>	0.6	0.5	-21.6	-3.0	-3.4	1.7	0.8	1.3

Relationship between columns: 2=3+4+5+6+7+8

Source: Employer surveys

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Employee jobs figures are of a measure of jobs rather than people. For example, if a person holds two jobs, each job will be counted in the employee jobs total. Employees jobs figures come from quarterly surveys of employers carried out by Prices & Business Group (PBG) of ONS and Administrative returns.

The quarterly employer surveys used to compile employee jobs figures do not collect data by Government Office Regions (GOR). Instead, Annual Business Inquiry (ABI) data are used to pro-rate the totals obtained from the quarterly surveys to generate GOR data. This technique can lead to the sum of the industry figures not matching the "All jobs" total in column 2.

EMPLOYMENT

North West

6 Actual weekly hours of work

not seasonally adjusted

		Average actual weekly hours of work				
		Total weekly hours (millions)	All workers*	Full-time**	Part-time**	Workers with second jobs
		1	2	3	4	5
People	Mar - May 2000	99	33.1	38.1	16.2	8.4
	Mar - May 2001	100	33.1	37.9	17.0	9.3
	Mar - May 2002	99	32.9	37.8	16.3	9.8
	Jun - Aug 2002	94	31.3	36.2	15.4	8.8
	Sep - Nov 2002	102	33.3	38.1	16.7	9.9
	Dec - Feb 2003	93	30.6	34.9	16.0	8.9
	Mar - May 2003	99	32.3	37.2	16.4	8.7
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-0.6</i>	<i>-0.6</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>-1.1</i>
<i>Change %</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>-1.7</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>-10.9</i>	
Men	Mar - May 2000	62	37.8	39.8	14.3	8.5
	Mar - May 2001	61	37.9	39.7	16.4	9.1
	Mar - May 2002	60	37.9	39.7	15.2	12.0
	Jun - Aug 2002	59	36.6	38.2	16.4	9.3
	Sep - Nov 2002	63	38.3	40.0	16.7	10.8
	Dec - Feb 2003	57	34.8	36.2	16.5	9.1
	Mar - May 2003	60	36.9	38.7	16.4	9.2
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-1.1</i>	<i>-1.0</i>	<i>1.2</i>	<i>-2.9</i>
<i>Change %</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>-2.8</i>	<i>-2.4</i>	<i>7.8</i>	<i>-23.7</i>	
Women	Mar - May 2000	37	27.3	34.8	16.7	8.4
	Mar - May 2001	39	27.6	34.8	17.1	9.5
	Mar - May 2002	39	27.3	34.6	16.6	8.5
	Jun - Aug 2002	35	25.2	32.3	15.1	8.4
	Sep - Nov 2002	39	27.5	34.7	16.7	9.2
	Dec - Feb 2003	37	25.8	32.5	15.9	8.7
	Mar - May 2003	39	27.1	34.5	16.4	8.4
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-0.2</i>	<i>-0.1</i>	<i>-0.2</i>	<i>-0.1</i>
<i>Change %</i>	<i>-0.1</i>	<i>-0.7</i>	<i>-0.2</i>	<i>-1.2</i>	<i>-1.5</i>	

* main and second jobs

Source: Labour Force Survey

** main jobs only

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The LFS sample population covers those living in private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation.

The data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data - see note on page 5.

CLAIMANT COUNT

North West

7 Claimant count* levels and rates

(thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Claimant count		Inflows (standardised**)	Outflows (standardised**)	Claimant count (not seasonally adjusted)	
	Level	Rate (%) ^{##}	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) ^{##}
	1	2	3	4	5	6
People						
2002	IBWA	IBWC			IBWB	IBWD
June#	118.8	3.6	29.3	29.4	117.7	3.6
July	118.1	3.6	29.1	29.6	119.5	3.6
August	116.8	3.5	29.3	30.1	119.6	3.6
September#	117.2	3.5	29.2	29.3	115.5	3.5
October	116.9	3.5	28.4	29.1	110.7	3.3
November#	116.5	3.5	28.7	28.9	110.5	3.3
December	115.7	3.5	28.8	29.2	113.0	3.4
2003						
January	114.7	3.5	28.5	27.3	124.2	3.8
February#	114.4	3.5	28.6	28.7	124.5	3.8
March	113.7	3.4	28.2	28.7	121.1	3.7
April	113.0	3.4	28.2	29.2	117.5	3.5
May (r)	113.8	3.4	28.0	27.9	115.7	3.5
June# (p)	113.7	3.4	28.7	28.7	112.8	3.4
Change on mth	-0.1	0.0	0.7	0.8	-2.9	-0.1
Change %	-0.1		2.5	2.9	-2.5	
Change on year	-5.1	-0.2	-0.6	-0.7	-4.9	-0.1
Change %	-4.3		-2.0	-2.4	-4.1	
Men						
2002	ZMPU	ZMPV				
June#	92.5	5.2	21.7	21.8	91.7	5.1
July	92.0	5.1	21.6	22.0	91.9	5.1
August	91.2	5.1	21.7	22.3	91.4	5.1
September#	91.3	5.1	21.6	21.7	88.7	5.0
October	91.1	5.1	20.9	21.5	85.4	4.8
November#	90.8	5.1	21.2	21.4	85.9	4.8
December	90.0	5.0	21.2	21.6	88.4	4.9
2003						
January	89.1	5.0	21.1	20.0	96.7	5.4
February#	88.8	5.0	21.1	21.2	96.8	5.4
March	88.1	4.9	20.7	21.2	94.1	5.3
April	87.5	4.9	20.7	21.7	91.1	5.1
May (r)	88.2	4.9	20.6	20.5	89.9	5.0
June# (p)	88.2	4.9	21.1	21.1	87.5	4.9
Change on mth	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.6	-2.4	-0.1
Change %	0.0		2.4	2.9	-2.7	
Change on year	-4.3	-0.2	-0.6	-0.7	-4.2	-0.2
Change %	-4.6		-2.8	-3.2	-4.6	
Women						
2002	ZMPW	ZMPX				
June#	26.3	1.7	7.6	7.6	26.0	1.7
July	26.1	1.7	7.5	7.6	27.6	1.8
August	25.6	1.7	7.6	7.8	28.2	1.9
September#	25.9	1.7	7.6	7.6	26.9	1.8
October	25.8	1.7	7.5	7.6	25.2	1.7
November#	25.7	1.7	7.5	7.5	24.6	1.6
December	25.7	1.7	7.6	7.6	24.6	1.6
2003						
January	25.6	1.7	7.4	7.3	27.5	1.8
February#	25.6	1.7	7.5	7.5	27.7	1.8
March	25.6	1.7	7.5	7.5	27.0	1.8
April	25.5	1.7	7.5	7.5	26.4	1.7
May (r)	25.6	1.7	7.4	7.4	25.8	1.7
June# (p)	25.5	1.7	7.6	7.6	25.3	1.7
Change on mth	-0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	-0.5	0.0
Change %	-0.4		2.7	2.7	-1.8	
Change on year	-0.8	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.6	0.0
Change %	-3.0		0.0	0.0	-2.5	

* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system

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^{##} Denominator = claimant count + workforce jobs. NB these are different from the proportions of the working age populations claiming Jobseeker's Allowance for local areas shown in Table 17. See note on page 7 for further details.

The claimant count inflows, standardised to a 4.33 week month but not seasonally adjusted, for June 2003 were 26,991 in total, 19,803 for men and 7,187 for women. The corresponding outflow figures were 21,647 men and 7,418 women.

** Flow figures are collected for 4 or 5 week periods between count dates; the figures are then converted to a standard 4 1/3 week month

Months where there are 5 weeks between count dates. All the rest are 4 week periods.

CLAIMANT COUNT

North West

8(1) Claimant count* by age and duration - computerised claims only

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

	All ages							18-24					
	All computerised claims		Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
People													
Jun 01#	121.8	120.8	75.1	22.4	23.3	19.2	10.8	32.4	26.4	5.4	0.6	1.7	0.1
Jun 02#	117.7	116.5	75.4	21.7	19.4	16.6	7.4	32.8	26.2	5.9	0.7	2.3	0.1
Jul 02	119.5	118.2	78.4	20.7	19.1	16.2	7.3	34.9	28.7	5.4	0.8	2.3	0.1
Aug 02	119.6	118.4	79.1	20.4	18.8	15.9	7.2	35.5	29.3	5.4	0.8	2.3	0.1
Sep 02#	115.5	114.4	76.3	19.5	18.6	16.3	7.0	34.2	28.4	4.9	0.8	2.5	0.1
Oct 02	110.7	109.6	73.3	18.2	18.2	16.6	6.8	31.9	26.7	4.3	0.8	2.6	0.1
Nov 02#	110.5	109.2	74.0	17.5	17.8	16.3	6.6	31.2	26.3	4.1	0.8	2.6	0.1
Dec 02	113.0	111.7	76.7	17.4	17.6	15.8	6.5	32.0	27.2	4.1	0.8	2.5	0.1
Jan 03	124.2	123.0	85.6	19.3	18.0	14.6	6.5	35.8	30.2	4.8	0.9	2.4	0.1
Feb 03#	124.5	123.3	86.0	19.6	17.7	14.4	6.3	37.2	31.4	4.9	0.9	2.3	0.1
Mar 03	121.1	120.0	82.5	20.0	17.5	14.6	6.2	36.3	30.2	5.2	0.9	2.4	0.1
Apr 03	117.5	116.5	79.2	20.1	17.2	14.7	6.1	34.7	28.6	5.2	0.8	2.4	0.1
May 03	115.7	114.5	76.4	20.9	17.2	15.0	6.0	33.9	27.5	5.5	0.8	2.4	0.1
Jun 03#	112.8	111.7	73.8	21.1	16.9	15.1	5.8	32.9	26.4	5.6	0.8	2.5	0.1
Change on year	-4.9	-4.7	-1.6	-0.7	-2.5	-1.5	-1.6	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0
Change %	-4.1	-4.1	-2.1	-3.0	-12.9		-22.0	0.1	0.9	-4.1	8.5		67.3
Men													
Jun 01#	95.4	94.7	56.8	18.1	19.8	20.9	9.3	23.2	18.9	4.0	0.4	1.6	0.0
Jun 02#	91.7	90.8	57.0	17.3	16.5	18.2	6.4	23.4	18.7	4.2	0.5	2.1	0.0
Jul 02	91.9	91.0	58.3	16.5	16.2	17.8	6.3	24.4	20.0	3.9	0.5	2.2	0.0
Aug 02	91.4	90.5	58.3	16.2	15.9	17.6	6.2	24.7	20.3	3.9	0.5	2.2	0.0
Sep 02#	88.7	87.8	56.5	15.6	15.7	17.9	6.1	23.8	19.8	3.5	0.5	2.3	0.0
Oct 02	85.4	84.6	54.7	14.6	15.3	18.1	5.9	22.4	18.7	3.1	0.5	2.4	0.0
Nov 02#	85.9	84.9	55.8	14.1	15.0	17.7	5.7	22.3	18.8	2.9	0.5	2.3	0.0
Dec 02	88.4	87.4	58.5	14.0	14.9	17.0	5.6	23.2	19.7	2.9	0.5	2.3	0.0
Jan 03	96.7	95.7	65.1	15.4	15.2	15.9	5.6	25.9	21.8	3.4	0.6	2.2	0.0
Feb 03#	96.8	95.8	65.2	15.7	14.9	15.6	5.5	26.7	22.6	3.5	0.6	2.2	0.0
Mar 03	94.1	93.3	62.6	15.9	14.7	15.8	5.3	26.1	21.8	3.7	0.6	2.3	0.1
Apr 03	91.1	90.3	59.9	15.9	14.5	16.0	5.2	24.9	20.6	3.7	0.6	2.3	0.1
May 03	89.9	89.0	57.9	16.6	14.5	16.3	5.1	24.4	19.8	4.0	0.6	2.3	0.1
Jun 03#	87.5	86.6	55.6	16.8	14.3	16.5	5.0	23.6	18.9	4.1	0.6	2.4	0.1
Change on year	-4.2	-4.1	-1.4	-0.6	-2.2	-1.7	-1.4	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0
Change %	-4.6	-4.6	-2.4	-3.2	-13.4		-22.5	0.6	1.0	-2.5	13.6		43.2
Women													
Jun 01#	26.4	26.1	18.4	4.3	3.4	13.2	1.5	9.1	7.5	1.5	0.2	1.9	0.0
Jun 02#	26.0	25.7	18.4	4.4	2.9	11.2	1.0	9.4	7.5	1.6	0.3	2.7	0.0
Jul 02	27.6	27.3	20.1	4.3	2.9	10.7	1.0	10.5	8.7	1.5	0.3	2.7	0.0
Aug 02	28.2	27.9	20.8	4.2	2.9	10.4	1.0	10.9	9.1	1.5	0.3	2.7	0.0
Sep 02#	26.9	26.6	19.8	3.9	2.9	10.9	1.0	10.4	8.7	1.4	0.3	3.0	0.0
Oct 02	25.2	25.0	18.6	3.5	2.8	11.4	0.9	9.5	8.0	1.2	0.3	3.2	0.0
Nov 02#	24.6	24.3	18.1	3.4	2.8	11.4	0.9	8.9	7.5	1.1	0.3	3.1	0.0
Dec 02	24.6	24.3	18.2	3.4	2.7	11.2	0.9	8.8	7.4	1.1	0.3	3.1	0.0
Jan 03	27.5	27.2	20.5	3.9	2.8	10.3	0.9	10.0	8.3	1.3	0.3	2.9	0.0
Feb 03#	27.7	27.5	20.8	3.9	2.8	10.2	0.9	10.5	8.8	1.4	0.3	2.7	0.0
Mar 03	27.0	26.7	19.9	4.1	2.7	10.2	0.9	10.2	8.4	1.5	0.3	2.8	0.0
Apr 03	26.4	26.1	19.3	4.1	2.7	10.2	0.9	9.8	8.1	1.5	0.3	2.8	0.0
May 03	25.8	25.5	18.5	4.3	2.7	10.4	0.8	9.5	7.7	1.6	0.3	2.9	0.0
Jun 03#	25.3	25.1	18.2	4.3	2.6	10.3	0.8	9.3	7.5	1.5	0.2	2.6	0.0
Change on year	-0.6	-0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.9	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change %	-2.5	-2.3	-1.1	-2.2	-10.0		-19.2	-1.1	0.5	-8.0	-1.6		116.7

* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system

Relationship between columns: 2= 3+4+5; 8= 9+10+11

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Months where there are 5 weeks between count dates. All the rest are 4 week periods.

Only computerised claims are analysed by age and duration on a monthly basis. These figures therefore differ in total from those given in Table 7. The latter include clerically processed claims which currently amount to less than 1 per cent of the total claimant count. See background note 8.

CLAIMANT COUNT

North West

8(2) Claimant count* by age and duration - computerised claims only

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

	25-49						50 and over					
	All	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months
People												
Jun 01#	68.6	37.8	13.9	16.9	24.7	7.3	18.0	9.2	3.0	5.8	31.9	3.4
Jun 02#	64.0	38.1	12.6	13.3	20.8	4.5	17.8	9.4	3.2	5.3	29.7	2.9
Jul 02	63.9	38.7	12.1	13.0	20.4	4.3	17.7	9.4	3.1	5.3	29.7	2.9
Aug 02	63.6	38.9	12.0	12.8	20.0	4.2	17.7	9.5	2.9	5.3	29.8	2.9
Sep 02#	61.7	37.5	11.7	12.5	20.3	4.1	17.1	9.0	2.8	5.3	30.8	2.9
Oct 02	59.7	36.5	11.0	12.1	20.3	3.9	16.7	8.7	2.7	5.2	31.4	2.9
Nov 02#	59.7	37.1	10.8	11.8	19.8	3.7	16.9	9.2	2.6	5.2	30.6	2.8
Dec 02	61.1	38.6	10.8	11.7	19.1	3.6	17.1	9.5	2.5	5.1	29.9	2.8
Jan 03	66.8	43.2	11.7	12.0	17.9	3.6	18.7	10.8	2.8	5.2	27.7	2.8
Feb 03#	65.7	42.2	11.8	11.7	17.8	3.5	18.4	10.4	2.7	5.2	28.3	2.8
Mar 03	63.9	40.5	12.0	11.5	17.9	3.4	17.8	9.8	2.8	5.1	28.8	2.8
Apr 03	62.3	39.1	12.0	11.2	18.0	3.3	17.6	9.7	2.8	5.1	28.8	2.7
May 03	61.6	38.0	12.4	11.3	18.3	3.2	17.2	9.2	2.9	5.1	29.5	2.7
Jun 03#	60.2	36.8	12.4	11.0	18.3	3.0	16.8	8.8	2.9	5.0	30.0	2.7
Change on year	-3.8	-1.3	-0.2	-2.3	-2.5	-1.5	-1.0	-0.6	-0.2	-0.3	0.3	-0.2
Change %	-5.9	-3.5	-1.4	-17.2		-33.1	-5.8	-5.9	-7.0	-5.0		-6.5
Men												
Jun 01#	56.6	30.1	11.8	14.7	26.0	6.4	13.8	6.8	2.4	4.7	34.2	2.9
Jun 02#	52.6	30.4	10.6	11.6	22.1	3.9	13.8	6.9	2.5	4.4	31.9	2.4
Jul 02	52.1	30.6	10.1	11.3	21.8	3.8	13.5	6.8	2.4	4.3	32.1	2.4
Aug 02	51.6	30.5	10.0	11.0	21.4	3.7	13.3	6.7	2.3	4.4	32.8	2.4
Sep 02#	50.2	29.5	9.8	10.8	21.5	3.6	13.0	6.5	2.2	4.4	33.5	2.4
Oct 02	48.7	28.9	9.3	10.5	21.5	3.4	12.8	6.3	2.1	4.3	34.1	2.4
Nov 02#	48.9	29.6	9.1	10.2	20.9	3.3	13.0	6.7	2.0	4.3	33.0	2.4
Dec 02	50.2	31.0	9.1	10.1	20.1	3.2	13.2	7.0	1.9	4.3	32.4	2.4
Jan 03	54.6	34.4	9.9	10.3	18.9	3.2	14.4	8.0	2.1	4.3	29.9	2.4
Feb 03#	53.8	33.7	10.0	10.1	18.7	3.0	14.2	7.8	2.1	4.3	30.1	2.4
Mar 03	52.4	32.4	10.1	9.9	18.9	2.9	13.7	7.3	2.1	4.2	30.9	2.4
Apr 03	50.9	31.1	10.0	9.7	19.1	2.8	13.5	7.2	2.2	4.2	31.0	2.3
May 03	50.3	30.2	10.4	9.7	19.3	2.8	13.3	6.8	2.2	4.2	31.8	2.3
Jun 03#	49.1	29.2	10.4	9.5	19.4	2.6	12.9	6.5	2.2	4.2	32.3	2.3
Change on year	-3.5	-1.2	-0.2	-2.1	-2.6	-1.3	-0.8	-0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	-0.1
Change %	-6.7	-4.0	-2.0	-17.8		-33.3	-5.9	-5.4	-9.2	-4.9		-6.0
Women												
Jun 01#	12.0	7.6	2.1	2.2	18.7	0.9	4.2	2.5	0.7	1.0	24.4	0.5
Jun 02#	11.5	7.7	2.0	1.7	15.0	0.5	4.1	2.5	0.7	0.9	22.3	0.5
Jul 02	11.8	8.1	2.0	1.7	14.4	0.5	4.2	2.6	0.7	0.9	21.7	0.4
Aug 02	12.1	8.4	1.9	1.7	14.3	0.5	4.3	2.7	0.7	0.9	20.7	0.4
Sep 02#	11.5	8.0	1.8	1.7	14.8	0.5	4.1	2.6	0.6	0.9	21.9	0.4
Oct 02	11.0	7.6	1.7	1.7	15.1	0.5	3.9	2.4	0.6	0.9	22.6	0.4
Nov 02#	10.8	7.6	1.6	1.6	14.8	0.5	3.9	2.4	0.6	0.9	22.5	0.4
Dec 02	10.9	7.7	1.7	1.6	14.5	0.5	3.9	2.5	0.6	0.9	21.9	0.4
Jan 03	12.3	8.8	1.8	1.6	13.2	0.4	4.3	2.8	0.7	0.9	20.4	0.4
Feb 03#	11.9	8.5	1.8	1.6	13.3	0.4	4.2	2.6	0.7	0.9	21.9	0.4
Mar 03	11.5	8.1	1.9	1.5	13.4	0.4	4.1	2.5	0.7	0.9	21.7	0.4
Apr 03	11.4	8.0	1.9	1.5	13.2	0.4	4.0	2.5	0.7	0.9	21.6	0.4
May 03	11.3	7.7	2.0	1.5	13.5	0.4	3.9	2.4	0.7	0.9	21.9	0.4
Jun 03#	11.2	7.6	2.0	1.5	13.3	0.4	3.8	2.3	0.7	0.9	22.3	0.4
Change on year	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	-1.7	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Change %	-2.6	-1.3	1.8	-13.5		-32.1	-5.7	-7.5	0.4	-5.4		-9.1

* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system

Relationship between columns: 14=15+16+17; 20=21+22=23

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Months where there are 5 weeks between count dates. All the rest are 4 week periods.

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

North West

9 Economic activity by age

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		All aged 16 & over	16 - 59/64	16 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64 (m) 50 - 59 (w)	65+ (m) & 60+ (w)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Economically active									
People	Mar - May 2000	3,174	3,098	92	398	788	1,173	646	77
	Mar - May 2001	3,183	3,103	96	378	763	1,202	664	80
	Mar - May 2002	3,171	3,086	84	408	723	1,206	665	85
	Jun - Aug 2002	3,183	3,107	91	433	719	1,197	666	76
	Sep - Nov 2002	3,232	3,147	105	430	730	1,191	691	84
	Dec - Feb 2003	3,210	3,128	91	437	703	1,190	707	82
	Mar - May 2003	3,220	3,133	84	422	705	1,197	724	87
	<i>Change on year</i>	48	46	0	15	-18	-9	59	2
<i>Change %</i>	1.5	1.5	-0.5	3.6	-2.5	-0.7	8.9	2.4	
Men	Mar - May 2000	1,742	1,719	50	221	429	626	394	23
	Mar - May 2001	1,711	1,687	50	205	409	626	397	24
	Mar - May 2002	1,690	1,666	41	211	387	633	393	25
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,715	1,693	41	228	389	638	398	21
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,749	1,724	52	233	390	637	412	25
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,735	1,711	49	229	385	627	420	24
	Mar - May 2003	1,735	1,705	43	225	381	633	424	29
	<i>Change on year</i>	44	40	1	14	-6	0	31	4
<i>Change %</i>	2.6	2.4	2.7	6.6	-1.6	0.1	7.8	17.9	
Women	Mar - May 2000	1,432	1,379	42	178	359	547	252	54
	Mar - May 2001	1,472	1,415	46	173	353	575	267	56
	Mar - May 2002	1,481	1,421	43	197	336	573	272	60
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,469	1,414	50	205	331	559	268	55
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,483	1,423	52	198	339	554	280	59
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,475	1,417	41	207	318	564	287	58
	Mar - May 2003	1,485	1,427	41	197	324	564	300	58
	<i>Change on year</i>	4	7	-2	1	-12	-9	28	-2
<i>Change %</i>	0.3	0.5	-3.7	0.3	-3.5	-1.6	10.4	-4.0	
Economic activity rates (%)⁺									
People	Mar - May 2000	60.6	76.5	54.1	73.7	83.9	83.9	64.4	6.5
	Mar - May 2001	60.6	76.4	54.4	68.9	83.9	85.2	65.5	6.7
	Mar - May 2002	60.3	75.9	46.3	72.7	82.4	84.7	65.0	7.1
	Jun - Aug 2002	60.5	76.4	49.9	76.8	82.7	83.8	65.0	6.4
	Sep - Nov 2002	61.4	77.3	57.1	75.8	84.6	83.3	67.4	7.1
	Dec - Feb 2003	60.9	76.8	49.4	76.5	82.2	83.0	68.8	6.9
	Mar - May 2003	61.1	76.9	45.7	73.5	83.0	83.4	70.4	7.3
	<i>Change on year</i>	0.8	1.1	-0.6	0.8	0.6	-1.3	5.4	0.1
Men	Mar - May 2000	69.5	82.5	57.6	83.1	93.5	90.8	67.6	5.4
	Mar - May 2001	68.1	81.0	55.8	75.7	92.6	90.2	67.6	5.5
	Mar - May 2002	67.0	79.8	44.6	76.2	90.8	90.4	66.5	5.7
	Jun - Aug 2002	67.9	81.1	44.3	81.9	91.9	90.9	67.2	4.9
	Sep - Nov 2002	69.3	82.5	55.7	83.1	93.0	90.6	69.5	5.8
	Dec - Feb 2003	68.6	81.9	52.9	81.5	92.5	89.0	70.7	5.5
	Mar - May 2003	68.6	81.6	45.4	79.3	92.3	89.9	71.2	6.7
	<i>Change on year</i>	1.6	1.8	0.8	3.1	1.5	-0.5	4.8	1.0
Women	Mar - May 2000	52.5	70.0	50.4	64.7	74.7	77.2	60.0	7.0
	Mar - May 2001	53.8	71.7	53.0	62.3	75.6	80.3	62.7	7.4
	Mar - May 2002	54.1	71.8	48.2	69.2	74.5	79.2	63.1	7.9
	Jun - Aug 2002	53.6	71.4	55.7	71.9	74.1	77.1	62.0	7.2
	Sep - Nov 2002	54.1	71.9	58.6	68.8	76.6	76.2	64.6	7.8
	Dec - Feb 2003	53.8	71.5	45.8	71.7	72.3	77.3	66.2	7.7
	Mar - May 2003	54.2	72.0	46.1	67.8	74.3	77.2	69.3	7.6
	<i>Change on year</i>	0.1	0.3	-2.1	-1.4	-0.2	-2.0	6.2	-0.3

Relationship between columns: 1=2+8; 2=3+4+5+6+7

Source: Labour Force Survey

⁺ Denominator = all persons in relevant age group

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10 Economic inactivity by age

North West

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		All aged 16 & over	16 - 59/64	16 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64 (m) 50 - 59 (w)	65+ (m) & 60+ (w)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Economically inactive									
People	Mar - May 2000	2,063	953	78	142	151	225	357	1,110
	Mar - May 2001	2,067	957	81	171	147	209	350	1,110
	Mar - May 2002	2,089	981	98	153	154	218	358	1,108
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,080	962	92	131	150	231	359	1,118
	Sep - Nov 2002	2,033	923	78	137	133	240	334	1,111
	Dec - Feb 2003	2,057	943	93	134	153	243	320	1,114
	Mar - May 2003	2,049	939	99	152	144	238	304	1,111
	<i>Change on year</i>	-40	-42	2	-1	-10	20	-53	3
	<i>Change %</i>	-1.9	-4.3	2.0	-0.5	-6.6	9.3	-14.9	0.2
Men	Mar - May 2000	765	363	37	45	30	63	189	402
	Mar - May 2001	803	397	40	66	33	68	191	406
	Mar - May 2002	832	422	51	66	39	67	198	410
	Jun - Aug 2002	809	395	52	50	34	64	194	414
	Sep - Nov 2002	777	365	41	47	29	66	181	412
	Dec - Feb 2003	792	379	44	52	31	77	174	414
	Mar - May 2003	794	384	51	59	32	72	171	410
	<i>Change on year</i>	-38	-38	0	-7	-7	4	-27	0
	<i>Change %</i>	-4.5	-8.9	-0.5	-10.7	-18.7	6.2	-13.8	0.0
Women	Mar - May 2000	1,297	589	42	97	121	161	168	708
	Mar - May 2001	1,264	560	41	105	114	141	159	704
	Mar - May 2002	1,257	559	46	88	115	151	159	698
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,270	567	40	80	116	167	164	704
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,257	557	37	90	104	174	153	699
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,265	564	49	82	122	166	146	700
	Mar - May 2003	1,255	554	48	94	112	167	133	701
	<i>Change on year</i>	-2	-4	2	6	-3	16	-26	2
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.2	-0.8	4.7	7.2	-2.4	10.6	-16.4	0.3

Relationship between columns: 1=2+8; 2=3+4+5+6+7

Source: Labour Force Survey

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

North West

11 Economic inactivity: reasons

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		Breakdown of total aged 16-59/64										
		Total aged 16 & over	Total aged 16-59/64	Does not want job	Wants a job	Wants job but not seeking in last 4 weeks						
						Total	Availability to start work in next 2 weeks		Reasons for not seeking			
							Available	Not available	Long-term sick	Looking after family /home	Students	Other [#]
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
People	Mar - May 2000	2,063	953	676	277	255	71	184	107	68	34	45
	Mar - May 2001	2,067	957	719	238	218	58	160	89	63	28	38
	Mar - May 2002	2,089	981	720	261	237	65	172	97	70	29	40
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,080	962	711	251	224	65	159	82	73	26	43
	Sep - Nov 2002	2,033	923	660	262	241	65	175	99	72	28	41
	Dec - Feb 2003	2,057	943	695	248	228	69	159	95	72	22	40
	Mar - May 2003	2,049	939	710	229	209	57	152	88	57	27	37
	<i>Change on year</i>	-40	-42	-10	-33	-28	-8	-20	-10	-14	-2	-3
<i>Change %</i>	-1.9	-4.3	-1.4	-12.4	-11.8	-12.9	-11.4	-10.0	-19.3	-6.0	-7.1	
Men	Mar - May 2000	765	363	254	110	100	28	72	53	11	16	20
	Mar - May 2001	803	397	285	112	101	26	75	55	11	13	22
	Mar - May 2002	832	422	306	116	103	27	76	57	*	16	22
	Jun - Aug 2002	809	395	293	102	88	29	59	47	*	12	22
	Sep - Nov 2002	777	365	254	112	103	30	73	58	*	16	21
	Dec - Feb 2003	792	379	279	100	95	28	66	54	11	*	20
	Mar - May 2003	794	384	285	99	90	25	65	50	*	13	19
	<i>Change on year</i>	-38	-38	-21	-17	-13	-2	-11	-7	*	-3	-3
<i>Change %</i>	-4.5	-8.9	-6.9	-14.3	-12.3	-6.6	-14.4	-11.7	*	-16.4	-11.8	
Women	Mar - May 2000	1,297	589	422	168	155	43	111	54	58	18	25
	Mar - May 2001	1,264	560	434	126	117	32	84	33	53	15	16
	Mar - May 2002	1,257	559	413	145	134	38	96	40	62	13	18
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,270	567	418	149	136	37	100	35	66	14	21
	Sep - Nov 2002	1,257	557	407	151	137	35	102	41	64	11	20
	Dec - Feb 2003	1,265	564	416	148	134	41	93	41	61	13	19
	Mar - May 2003	1,255	554	425	129	118	31	87	37	50	14	18
	<i>Change on year</i>	-2	-4	11	-16	-15	-7	-9	-3	-13	1	0
<i>Change %</i>	-0.2	-0.8	2.8	-11.0	-11.4	-17.3	-9.1	-7.7	-20.5	7.0	-1.4	

Relationship between columns: 2=3+4; 5=6+7; 5=8+9+10+11

Source: Labour Force Survey

[#] other includes discouraged workers

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13 2001 local labour market indicators by Unitary and Local Authority

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	Population+		Labour supply				Working age benefits			Labour demand###	
	16-59/64 (000s)	Employment++		Unemployment++		Economic inactivity++		Claimant count#		Jobs**	
		Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Total 16+ (000s)	Rate+++ (%)	Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Level	Proportion## (%)	Total (000s)	Jobs Density 16-59/64 (ratio)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
United Kingdom total	36,155	27,424	74.4	1,499	5.0	7,890	21.4	982,998	2.7	29,954	0.83
Regional total	4,089	3,014	71.5	171	5.2	1,032	24.5	125,436	3.1	3,242	0.79
Blackburn with Darwen UA	82	53	65.7	4	7.0	23	29.2	2,807	3.4	68	0.84
Blackpool UA	83	68	74.7	2	3.4	21	22.7	3,189	3.8	72	0.87
Halton UA	74	49	65.5	4	7.2	22	29.3	2,918	3.9	58	0.78
Warrington UA	119	90	75.9	4	3.9	25	20.9	2,431	2.0	118	0.99
Cheshire											
Chester	73	52	75.8	*	*	14	20.6	1,180	1.6	77	1.05
Congleton	57	43	78.0	*	*	11	20.0	781	1.4	38	0.67
Crewe and Nantwich	67	55	76.9	*	*	16	21.9	1,307	1.9	57	0.83
Ellesmere Port and Neston	49	37	78.6	*	*	9	18.4	1,036	2.1	35	0.72
Macclesfield	90	73	79.8	*	*	17	18.6	1,066	1.2	95	1.04
Vale Royal	75	53	71.3	*	*	20	26.6	1,499	2.0	52	0.69
Cumbria											
Allerdale	56	40	71.4	*	*	12	21.4	1,842	3.3	37	0.64
Barrow-in-Furness	43	29	67.7	*	*	11	26.3	1,397	3.2	26	0.60
Carlisle	61	45	75.2	*	*	12	20.6	1,695	2.8	52	0.85
Copeland	42	28	67.2	*	*	11	27.3	1,813	4.3	28	0.66
Eden	30	25	81.2	*	*	*	*	337	1.1	25	0.81
South Lakeland	60	44	71.7	*	*	15	24.3	671	1.1	48	0.79
Bolton	159	121	73.5	7	5.1	37	22.5	4,536	2.8	119	0.75
Bury	110	83	72.6	5	5.1	27	23.3	2,019	1.8	67	0.61
Manchester	250	171	60.5	18	9.2	94	33.4	13,166	5.3	327	1.30
Oldham	131	96	72.7	5	4.7	31	23.7	3,993	3.0	91	0.69
Rochdale	124	94	72.1	5	4.8	31	24.1	3,818	3.1	83	0.67
Salford	131	93	68.3	7	6.4	37	27.0	3,788	2.9	116	0.88
Stockport	172	141	80.0	*	*	32	18.4	2,940	1.7	130	0.75
Tameside	130	104	76.9	5	4.5	26	19.3	3,201	2.5	80	0.62
Trafford	128	103	76.7	4	3.6	27	20.3	2,774	2.2	136	1.06
Wigan	188	151	75.9	5	3.3	43	21.4	4,798	2.5	113	0.60
Lancashire											
Burnley	54	35	67.3	*	*	16	31.0	1,187	2.2	40	0.75
Chorley	64	50	79.2	*	*	13	19.7	1,067	1.7	42	0.66
Fylde	41	33	74.6	*	*	10	23.3	475	1.1	46	1.10
Hyndburn	49	34	72.1	*	*	12	25.2	930	1.9	31	0.64
Lancaster	82	61	70.9	*	*	20	23.5	2,503	3.1	60	0.73
Pendle	53	36	73.8	*	*	12	24.5	1,281	2.4	36	0.68
Preston	81	57	68.1	*	*	24	28.5	2,441	3.0	90	1.12
Ribble Valley	33	28	80.1	*	*	7	19.9	258	0.8	29	0.87
Rossendale	40	32	82.2	*	*	6	15.9	725	1.8	28	0.70
South Ribble	64	52	79.0	*	*	12	18.2	797	1.2	44	0.68
West Lancashire	66	48	72.0	*	*	15	22.3	1,905	2.9	47	0.68
Wyre	59	44	72.7	*	*	14	23.4	1,149	1.9	36	0.60

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13 2001 local labour market indicators by Unitary and Local Authority

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	Population+		Labour supply				Working age benefits		Labour demand###		
	Employment++		Unemployment++		Economic inactivity++		Claimant count#		Jobs**		
	16-59/64 (000s)	Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Total 16+ (000s)	Rate+++ (%)	Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Level	Proportion## (%)	Total (000s)	Jobs Density 16-59/64 (ratio)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Knowsley	90	56	61.4	6	9.3	29	32.2	5,103	5.7	59	0.65
Liverpool	273	171	60.1	21	10.7	93	32.5	16,846	6.2	232	0.85
St. Helens	108	80	71.6	5	5.6	27	24.1	3,974	3.7	63	0.59
Sefton	164	116	69.5	6	5.0	45	26.8	6,130	3.7	110	0.67
Wirral	183	139	70.7	10	6.6	48	24.2	7,665	4.2	112	0.61

Relationship between columns: 9=8/1; 11=10/1.

Source: Labour Force Survey, Jobcentre Plus administrative system, Annual Business Inquiry

+ Official mid-2001 population estimates.

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+++ Unemployment rates calculated as percentage of 16+ economically active population.

Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance. Average for January 2001 to December 2001.

Percentage of resident working age population of area. NB these are different from the national and regional claimant rates shown in Tables 1a, 7 and the summary of other headline indicators. See note on page 7 for further details.

Labour demand is jobs plus vacancies - data on vacancies will be included here when they become available for local areas.

* Sample size too small for reliable estimate.

** Total jobs are employees, self-employed, HM Forces and government-supported trainees. Jobs density are calculated as the number of jobs per working age (16-59/64) residents.

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14 2001 local labour market indicators by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	Population+		Labour supply				Working age benefits		Labour demand###		
			Employment++		Unemployment++		Economic inactivity++		Claimant count#		
									Jobs**		
	16-59/64 (000s)	Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Total 16+ (000s)	Rate+++ (%)	Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Level	Proportion## (%)	Total (000s)	Jobs Density 16-59/64 (ratio)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
United Kingdom total	36,155	27,424	74.4	1,499	5.0	7,890	21.4	982,998	2.7	29,954	0.83
Regional total	4,089	3,014	71.5	171	5.2	1,032	24.5	125,436	3.1	3,242	0.79
Altrincham & Sale West	79.0	..	*	..	18.8	789	..	..	..
Ashton under Lyne	74.7	..	6.6	..	19.9	1,657	..	..	..
Barrow & Furness	68.5	..	*	..	26.3	1,605	..	..	..
Birkenhead	65.2	..	9.7	..	27.7	3,026	..	..	..
Blackburn	62.3	..	6.7	..	33.0	2,263	..	..	..
Blackpool North & Fleetwood	73.4	..	*	..	22.9	1,701	..	..	..
Blackpool South	73.1	..	3.9	..	23.9	2,295	..	..	..
Bolton North East	70.4	..	*	..	24.8	1,718	..	..	..
Bolton South East	69.3	..	*	..	25.7	1,982	..	..	..
Bolton West	80.0	..	*	..	17.7	836	..	..	..
Bootle	56.5	..	*	..	36.2	2,873	..	..	..
Burnley	67.3	..	*	..	31.0	1,187	..	..	..
Bury North	72.2	..	*	..	23.6	1,001	..	..	..
Bury South	73.1	..	*	..	23.1	1,019	..	..	..
Carlisle	77.1	..	*	..	19.0	1,456	..	..	..
Cheadle	81.7	..	*	..	17.9	529	..	..	..
Chester, City of	75.3	..	*	..	22.0	1,014	..	..	..
Chorley	79.2	..	*	..	19.7	1,067	..	..	..
Congleton	78.0	..	*	..	20.0	781	..	..	..
Copeland	67.2	..	*	..	27.3	1,813	..	..	..
Crewe & Nantwich	76.1	..	*	..	22.6	1,231	..	..	..
Crosby	77.3	..	*	..	21.2	1,243	..	..	..
Denton & Reddish	79.6	..	*	..	17.5	1,178	..	..	..
Eccles	74.4	..	4.5	..	22.0	1,334	..	..	..
Eddisbury	74.3	..	*	..	22.2	899	..	..	..
Ellesmere Port & Neston	79.0	..	*	..	17.3	1,088	..	..	..
Fylde	72.6	..	*	..	24.1	715	..	..	..
Halton	66.1	..	8.0	..	28.1	1,887	..	..	..
Hazel Grove	79.2	..	*	..	19.4	704	..	..	..
Heywood & Middleton	74.8	..	3.7	..	22.3	1,680	..	..	..
Hyndburn	72.3	..	*	..	24.8	1,047	..	..	..
Knowsley North & Sefton East	64.5	..	7.9	..	30.0	2,532	..	..	..
Knowsley South	64.5	..	7.9	..	29.8	3,116	..	..	..
Lancaster & Wyre	75.5	..	*	..	21.8	1,062	..	..	..
Leigh	76.0	..	*	..	21.3	1,479	..	..	..
Liverpool, Garston	68.2	..	*	..	29.0	2,364	..	..	..
Liverpool, Riverside	50.1	..	16.7	..	39.7	4,425	..	..	..
Liverpool, Walton	58.3	..	15.9	..	30.4	3,538	..	..	..
Liverpool, Wavertree	59.5	..	*	..	32.6	3,108	..	..	..
Liverpool, West Derby	64.1	..	*	..	30.9	3,412	..	..	..
Macclesfield	82.8	..	*	..	16.1	643	..	..	..
Makerfield	72.1	..	*	..	25.8	1,282	..	..	..
Manchester, Blackley	55.2	..	12.3	..	36.8	2,440	..	..	..
Manchester, Central	57.9	..	10.6	..	35.4	4,158	..	..	..
Manchester, Gorton	53.7	..	11.1	..	39.9	3,017	..	..	..
Manchester, Withington	68.5	..	*	..	28.1	1,846	..	..	..
Morecambe & Lunesdale	68.3	..	*	..	24.5	1,765	..	..	..
Oldham East & Saddleworth	78.5	..	*	..	19.5	1,559	..	..	..
Oldham West & Royton	67.1	..	*	..	28.4	2,033	..	..	..
Pendle	73.8	..	*	..	24.5	1,281	..	..	..
Penrith & The Border	77.6	..	*	..	18.6	725
Preston	65.7	..	*	..	31.5	2,118
Ribble Valley	79.1	..	*	..	19.9	510
Rochdale	67.7	..	6.6	..	27.4	2,034

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14 2001 local labour market indicators by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	Population+		Labour supply				Working age benefits		Labour demand###		
			Employment++		Unemployment++		Claimant count#		Jobs**		
	16-59/64	Total	16-59/64	Total	16-59/64	16-59/64	Level	Proportion##	Total	Jobs Density	
	(000s)	16-59/64	Rate	16+	Rate+++	(000s)	Rate	(%)	(000s)	16-59/64	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Rossendale & Darwen	80.7	..	3.8	..	16.0	1,151	..	..	..
Salford	53.7	..	12.6	..	38.5	1,646	..	..	..
South Ribble	80.1	..	*	..	17.3	763	..	..	..
Southport	71.3	..	*	..	25.6	1,469	..	..	..
St. Helens North	74.4	..	*	..	21.8	1,764	..	..	..
St. Helens South	67.9	..	6.8	..	27.2	2,209	..	..	..
Stalybridge & Hyde	77.3	..	*	..	19.6	1,348	..	..	..
Stockport	78.7	..	*	..	19.0	1,232	..	..	..
Stretford & Urmston	73.0	..	5.2	..	22.9	1,712	..	..	..
Tatton	75.0	..	*	..	23.2	600	..	..	..
Wallasey	65.7	..	10.5	..	26.4	2,423	..	..	..
Warrington North	75.7	..	*	..	21.9	1,363	..	..	..
Warrington South	76.4	..	*	..	19.8	1,067	..	..	..
Weaver Vale	68.3	..	*	..	29.6	1,643	..	..	..
West Lancashire	70.7	..	*	..	22.8	1,787	..	..	..
Westmorland & Lonsdale	71.7	..	*	..	23.8	463	..	..	..
Wigan	77.3	..	*	..	20.3	1,444	..	..	..
Wirral South	77.7	..	*	..	20.0	1,008	..	..	..
Wirral West	74.2	..	*	..	22.6	1,208	..	..	..
Workington	70.3	..	*	..	21.5	1,693	..	..	..
Worsley	79.5	..	*	..	17.0	1,400	..	..	..
Wythenshawe & Sale East	70.8	..	*	..	23.8	1,979

Relationship between columns: 9=8/1; 11=10/1.

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** Total jobs are employees, self-employed, HM Forces and government-supported trainees. Jobs density are calculated as the number of jobs per working age (16-59/64) residents.

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15 2001 local labour market indicators by Travel-to-Work Area

not seasonally adjusted

	Population+		Labour supply				Working age benefits		Labour demand###		
	Employment++		Unemployment++		Economic inactivity++		Claimant count#		Jobs**		
	16-59/64	Total	16-59/64	Total	16-59/64	16-59/64	Level	Proportion##	Total	Jobs Density	
	(000s)	16-59/64	Rate	16+	Rate+++	(000s)	Rate	(%)	(000s)	16-59/64	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
United Kingdom total	36,155	27,424	74.4	1,499	5.0	7,890	21.4	982,998	2.7	29,954	0.83
Regional total	4,089	3,014	71.5	171	5.2	1,032	24.5	125,436	3.1	3,242	0.79
Appleby	73.1	..	*	..	*	76	..	..	..
Barrow-in-Furness	69.7	..	*	..	25.4	1,641	..	..	..
Blackburn	72.4	..	4.3	..	24.3	4,502	..	..	..
Blackpool	74.3	..	3.6	..	22.8	4,747	..	..	..
Bolton	73.2	..	4.9	..	23.0	5,097	..	..	..
Burnley	66.1	..	*	..	32.4	1,261	..	..	..
Carlisle	75.6	..	*	..	20.6	1,866	..	..	..
Crewe	73.9	..	*	..	24.1	2,998	..	..	..
Kendal	67.9	..	*	..	25.9	329	..	..	..
Keswick	*	..	*	..	*	57	..	..	..
Lancaster and Morecambe	70.7	..	*	..	23.8	2,564	..	..	..
Liverpool	64.0	..	8.4	..	29.9	30,008	..	..	..
Manchester	72.4	..	5.0	..	23.8	34,778	..	..	..
Nelson and Colne	75.9	..	*	..	22.2	1,233	..	..	..
Penrith	83.9	..	*	..	*	216	..	..	..
Preston	75.3	..	*	..	22.3	4,414	..	..	..
Rochdale	72.4	..	4.8	..	23.9	3,009	..	..	..
Warrington	72.7	..	4.7	..	23.6	5,499	..	..	..
Whitehaven	68.2	..	*	..	26.6	1,754	..	..	..
Wigan and St. Helens	73.1	..	4.2	..	23.7	7,876	..	..	..
Windermere	79.2	..	*	..	*	90	..	..	..
Wirral and Chester	73.0	..	5.7	..	22.5	9,881	..	..	..
Workington	69.8	..	*	..	22.7	1,678	..	..	..

Relationship between columns: 9=8/1; 11=10/1.

Source: Labour Force Survey, Jobcentre Plus administrative system, National Business Inquiry

+ Official mid-2001 population estimates.

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+++ Unemployment rates calculated as percentage of 16+ economically active population.

Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance. Average for January 2001 to December 2001.

Percentage of resident working age population of area. NB these are different from the national and regional claimant rates shown in Tables 1a, 7 and the summary of other headline indicators. See note on page 7 for further details.

Labour demand is jobs plus vacancies - data on vacancies will be included here when they become available for local areas.

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** Total jobs are employees, self-employed, HM Forces and government-supported trainees. Jobs density are calculated as the number of jobs per working age (16-59/64) residents.

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16 2001 local labour market indicators by NUTS 3 area

not seasonally adjusted

	Population+		Labour supply				Working age benefits		Labour demand##		
			Unemployment++		Economic inactivity++		Claimant count#		Jobs		
	16-59/64	Total 16-59/64	Rate (%) 16-59/64	Total 16+	Rate (%)+++	Total 16-59/64	Rate (%) 16-59/64	Level (number)	% 16-59/64##	Total**	Jobs Density Ratio 16-59/64***
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
United Kingdom total	36,155	27,424	74.4	1,499	5.0	7,890	21.4	982,998	2.7	29,954	0.83
Regional total	4,089	3,014	71.5	171	5.2	1,032	24.5	125,436	3.1	3,242	0.79
Cumbria											
West Cumbria	141	97	69.0	9	8.4	35	24.6	5,052	3.6	90	0.64
East Cumbria	151	114	75.0	6	5.0	32	20.9	2,703	1.8	124	0.82
Cheshire											
Halton & Warrington	193	139	71.9	8	5.1	47	24.2	5,348	2.8	176	0.91
Cheshire CC	410	312	76.7	10	2.9	86	21.1	6,869	1.7	351	0.86
Greater Manchester											
Greater Manchester South	813	612	70.8	36	5.4	217	25.1	25,869	3.2	789	0.97
Greater Manchester North	714	545	73.6	26	4.5	169	22.9	19,164	2.7	472	0.66
Lancashire											
Blackburn with Darwen	82	53	65.7	4	7.0	23	29.2	2,807	3.4	68	0.84
Blackpool	83	68	74.7	2	3.4	21	22.7	3,189	3.8	72	0.87
Lancashire CC	685	511	73.7	21	3.8	161	23.2	14,718	2.1	525	0.77
Merseyside											
East Merseyside	198	136	67.0	11	7.2	56	27.7	9,077	4.6	122	0.62
Liverpool	273	171	60.1	21	10.7	93	32.5	16,846	6.2	232	0.85
Sefton	164	116	69.5	6	5.0	45	26.8	6,130	3.7	110	0.67
Wirral	183	139	70.7	10	6.6	48	24.2	7,665	4.2	111	0.61

Relationship between columns: 9=8/1; 11=10/1.

Source: Labour Force Survey, Jobcentre Plus administrative system, Annual Business Inquiry

+ Official mid-2001 population estimates.

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Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance. Average for January 2001 to December 2001.

Percentage of resident working age population of area. NB these are different from the national and regional claimant rates shown in Tables 1a, 7 and the summary of other headline indicators. See note on page 7 for further details.

Labour demand is jobs plus vacancies - data on vacancies will be included here when they become available for local areas.

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** Total jobs are employees, self-employed, HM Forces and government-supported trainees. Jobs density are calculated as the number of jobs per working age (16-59/64) residents.

LOCAL AREA DATA

North West

17 Claimant count* by Unitary and Local Authority

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 12 JUNE 2003						Change on year					
	Levels			Percentage of Pop [#]			Levels			Percentage [#]		
	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
United Kingdom total	705,300	233,859	939,159	3.8	1.3	2.6	-4,694	6,820	2,126	0.0	0.0	0.0
Regional total	87,486	25,341	112,827	4.2	1.3	2.8	-4,237	-639	-4,876	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Blackburn with Darwen UA	1,817	527	2,344	4.3	1.3	2.9	-178	-33	-211	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Blackpool UA	1,937	529	2,466	4.5	1.3	3.0	-153	29	-124	-0.4	0.1	-0.1
Halton UA	2,054	637	2,691	5.5	1.7	3.6	-271	-132	-403	-0.7	-0.4	-0.5
Warrington UA	1,700	563	2,263	2.7	1.0	1.9	-59	4	-55	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Cheshire	4,410	1,428	5,838	2.1	0.7	1.4	-482	-85	-567	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Chester	839	256	1,095	2.3	0.7	1.5	-21	4	-17	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Congleton	474	179	653	1.6	0.7	1.2	-117	-12	-129	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Crewe and Nantwich	724	279	1,003	2.1	0.9	1.5	-189	-42	-231	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Ellesmere Port and Neston	660	176	836	2.6	0.7	1.7	-29	-7	-36	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Macclesfield	767	233	1,000	1.7	0.5	1.1	-12	32	20	0.0	0.1	0.0
Vale Royal	946	305	1,251	2.4	0.9	1.7	-114	-60	-174	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Cumbria	4,753	1,406	6,159	3.1	1.0	2.1	-588	-162	-750	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Allerdale	1,076	320	1,396	3.7	1.2	2.5	-191	-52	-243	-0.7	-0.2	-0.4
Barrow-in-Furness	1,015	232	1,247	4.5	1.1	2.9	-9	-2	-11	0.0	0.0	0.0
Carlisle	1,056	342	1,398	3.3	1.2	2.3	-127	-20	-147	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Copeland	1,027	303	1,330	4.6	1.5	3.2	-264	-59	-323	-1.2	-0.3	-0.8
Eden	174	54	228	1.1	0.4	0.8	-6	-40	-46	0.0	-0.3	-0.2
South Lakeland	405	155	560	1.3	0.5	0.9	9	11	20	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bolton	3,159	917	4,076	3.8	1.2	2.6	-175	-29	-204	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Bury	1,628	536	2,164	2.9	1.0	2.0	188	59	247	0.3	0.1	0.2
Manchester	10,485	2,753	13,238	8.2	2.3	5.3	74	162	236	0.1	0.1	0.1
Oldham	2,809	771	3,580	4.2	1.2	2.7	-324	-92	-416	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Rochdale	3,048	828	3,876	4.8	1.4	3.1	29	-12	17	0.0	0.0	0.0
Salford	2,977	775	3,752	4.3	1.2	2.9	57	21	78	0.1	0.0	0.1
Stockport	2,253	678	2,931	2.5	0.8	1.7	114	8	122	0.1	0.0	0.1
Tameside	2,359	761	3,120	3.5	1.2	2.4	47	19	66	0.1	0.0	0.1
Trafford	1,955	584	2,539	3.0	0.9	2.0	-180	8	-172	-0.3	0.0	-0.1
Wigan	3,516	1,035	4,551	3.6	1.1	2.4	56	-9	47	0.1	0.0	0.0
Lancashire	9,930	3,093	13,023	2.8	0.9	1.9	-322	-28	-350	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Burnley	879	273	1,152	3.2	1.0	2.2	8	-34	-26	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Chorley	677	230	907	2.0	0.8	1.4	-40	4	-36	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Fylde	309	90	399	1.4	0.5	1.0	-30	-14	-44	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Hyndburn	748	246	994	3.0	1.1	2.0	54	3	57	0.2	0.0	0.1
Lancaster	1,589	450	2,039	3.8	1.1	2.5	-44	-8	-52	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Pendle	902	306	1,208	3.3	1.2	2.3	17	-6	11	0.1	0.0	0.0
Preston	1,752	463	2,215	4.2	1.2	2.7	-120	3	-117	-0.3	0.0	-0.1
Ribble Valley	130	51	181	0.8	0.3	0.6	5	-6	-1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rossendale	468	177	645	2.3	0.9	1.6	-27	13	-14	-0.1	0.1	0.0
South Ribble	561	197	758	1.7	0.6	1.2	-14	10	-4	0.0	0.0	0.0
West Lancashire	1,332	424	1,756	4.0	1.3	2.6	-25	11	-14	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Wyre	583	186	769	1.9	0.7	1.3	-106	-4	-110	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Knowsley	3,241	911	4,152	7.3	2.0	4.6	-341	-141	-482	-0.8	-0.3	-0.5
Liverpool	12,003	3,193	15,196	8.8	2.3	5.6	-467	-195	-662	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
St. Helens	2,581	797	3,378	4.7	1.5	3.1	-273	-33	-306	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Sefton	4,110	1,148	5,258	5.0	1.4	3.2	-257	26	-231	-0.3	0.0	-0.1
Wirral	4,761	1,471	6,232	5.2	1.6	3.4	-732	-24	-756	-0.8	0.0	-0.4

* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

Relationship between columns = 3=1+2; 9=7+8

Percentages of resident working age population of area. NB these are different from the national and regional claimant count rates

shown in Tables 1a, 7 and the summary of other headline indicators. See note on page 7 for further details.

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system
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North West

18 Claimant count* by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 12 JUNE 2003						Change on year					
	Levels			Percentage of Pop [#]			Levels			Percentage [#]		
	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
United Kingdom total	705,300	233,859	939,159				-4,694	6,820	2,126			
Regional total	87,486	25,341	112,827				-4,237	-639	-4,876			
Altrincham & Sale West	540	203	743				-100	20	-80			
Ashton under Lyne	1,246	357	1,603				-10	-19	-29			
Barrow & Furness	1,187	276	1,463				18	-19	-1			
Birkenhead	1,979	525	2,504				-287	-4	-291			
Blackburn	1,516	409	1,925				-98	-39	-137			
Blackpool North & Fleetwood	955	252	1,207				-136	5	-131			
Blackpool South	1,392	397	1,789				-84	23	-61			
Bolton North East	1,199	338	1,537				-126	-32	-158			
Bolton South East	1,354	382	1,736				-71	-7	-78			
Bolton West	606	197	803				22	10	32			
Bootle	2,047	532	2,579				-128	19	-109			
Burnley	879	273	1,152				8	-34	-26			
Bury North	826	279	1,105				123	32	155			
Bury South	802	257	1,059				65	27	92			
Carlisle	928	288	1,216				-103	-23	-126			
Cheadle	435	124	559				39	-10	29			
Chester, City of	741	203	944				-14	-1	-15			
Chorley	677	230	907				-40	4	-36			
Congleton	474	179	653				-117	-12	-129			
Copeland	1,027	303	1,330				-264	-59	-323			
Crewe & Nantwich	689	256	945				-177	-47	-224			
Crosby	873	266	1,139				-32	24	-8			
Denton & Reddish	926	277	1,203				29	-3	26			
Eccles	1,019	258	1,277				42	2	44			
Eddisbury	490	200	690				-96	-25	-121			
Ellesmere Port & Neston	685	186	871				-36	-15	-51			
Fylde	487	151	638				-24	-7	-31			
Halton	1,327	411	1,738				-167	-73	-240			
Hazel Grove	457	165	622				-34	2	-32			
Heywood & Middleton	1,181	339	1,520				-82	-37	-119			
Hyndburn	822	272	1,094				45	8	53			
Knowsley North & Sefton East	1,587	469	2,056				-225	-79	-304			
Knowsley South	1,995	558	2,553				-156	-70	-226			
Lancaster & Wyre	591	171	762				-94	-24	-118			
Leigh	1,132	353	1,485				48	20	68			
Liverpool, Garston	1,664	476	2,140				-109	-20	-129			
Liverpool, Riverside	3,265	834	4,099				-13	-55	-68			
Liverpool, Walton	2,458	635	3,093				-158	-59	-217			
Liverpool, Wavertree	2,293	614	2,907				-33	2	-31			
Liverpool, West Derby	2,323	634	2,957				-154	-63	-217			
Macclesfield	472	119	591				32	15	47			
Makerfield	908	239	1,147				-7	-25	-32			
Manchester, Blackley	2,131	554	2,685				105	84	189			
Manchester, Central	3,221	803	4,024				-155	44	-111			
Manchester, Gorton	2,489	629	3,118				73	-34	39			
Manchester, Withington	1,388	450	1,838				33	16	49			
Morecambe & Lunesdale	1,165	339	1,504				13	11	24			
Oldham East & Saddleworth	1,080	288	1,368				-134	-63	-197			
Oldham West & Royton	1,475	399	1,874				-142	-19	-161			

Percentages of resident working age population claiming Jobseeker's Allowance for these areas will be published once the 2001 Census ward level data are available.

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North West

18 Claimant count* by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 12 JUNE 2003						Change on year					
	Levels			Percentage of Pop [#]			Levels			Percentage [#]		
	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Pendle	902	306	1,208				17	-6	11			
Penrith & The Border	387	148	535				-41	-23	-64			
Preston	1,500	390	1,890				-148	-3	-151			
Ribble Valley	297	101	398				11	-3	8			
Rochdale	1,776	468	2,244				121	29	150			
Rossendale & Darwen	695	269	964				-98	14	-84			
Salford	1,438	340	1,778				72	31	103			
South Ribble	563	193	756				18	11	29			
Southport	849	234	1,083				-57	-9	-66			
St. Helens North	1,145	358	1,503				-94	-34	-128			
St. Helens South	1,436	439	1,875				-179	1	-178			
Stalybridge & Hyde	914	329	1,243				-25	24	-1			
Stockport	979	292	1,271				104	19	123			
Stretford & Urmston	1,206	324	1,530				-80	-8	-88			
Tatton	415	154	569				-61	15	-46			
Wallasey	1,469	469	1,938				-223	5	-218			
Warrington North	957	287	1,244				-48	-25	-73			
Warrington South	743	276	1,019				-11	29	18			
Weaver Vale	1,171	357	1,528				-117	-74	-191			
West Lancashire	1,243	396	1,639				-43	8	-35			
Westmorland & Lonsdale	233	111	344				-18	28	10			
Wigan	1,008	297	1,305				18	-3	15			
Wirral South	608	214	822				-86	-6	-92			
Wirral West	705	263	968				-136	-19	-155			
Workington	991	280	1,271				-180	-66	-246			
Worsley	988	323	1,311				-60	-13	-73			
Wythenshawe & Sale East	1,465	374	1,839				18	48	66			

Percentages of resident working age population claiming Jobseeker's Allowance for these areas will be published once the 2001 Census ward level data are available.

* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system

Relationship between columns = 3=1+2; 9=7+8

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[#] The working age population figures, and therefore the proportions claiming Jobseeker's Allowance, are not yet available for these areas.

See note on page 7 for further details.

19 Comparison of pre-2001 and post-2001 Census population data

(thousands)

	Working-age population data for mid-2001		
	Pre-2001 Census	Post-2001 Census	% difference
	Projected data	Mid-year estimate	
NORTH WEST	4,236	4,089	-3.5
Blackburn with Darwen UA	83	82	-1.6
Blackpool UA	90	83	-7.9
Halton UA	75	74	-2.0
Warrington UA	120	119	-0.8
Cheshire	413	410	-0.8
Chester	71	73	2.4
Congleton	56	57	1.3
Crewe and Nantwich	72	68	-6.4
Ellesmere Port and Neston	48	49	2.3
Macclesfield	93	90	-2.9
Vale Royal	74	75	0.8
Cumbria	296	292	-1.3
Allerdale	57	56	-2.3
Barrow-in-Furness	43	43	0.7
Carlisle	62	61	-0.8
Copeland	43	42	-1.2
Eden	31	30	-2.6
South Lakeland	61	60	-1.8
Bolton	166	159	-3.9
Bury	115	111	-3.7
Manchester	280	250	-10.4
Oldham	134	131	-2.0
Rochdale	131	125	-4.7
Salford	137	131	-4.1
Stockport	179	172	-3.8
Tameside	136	130	-4.3
Trafford	136	128	-5.7
Wigan	198	188	-4.9
Lancashire	696	685	-1.6
Burnley	54	54	-0.7
Chorley	63	64	0.9
Fylde	44	42	-6.5
Hyndburn	48	49	1.9
Lancaster	86	82	-4.4
Pendle	50	53	6.6
Preston	86	81	-6.1
Ribble Valley	33	33	-2.1
Rossendale	40	40	1.0
South Ribble	65	64	-2.0
West Lancashire	68	66	-1.8
Wyre	60	59	-1.7
Knowsley	92	90	-2.2
Liverpool	286	273	-4.3
St. Helens	111	108	-2.6
Sefton	167	164	-2.1
Wirral	195	183	-6.4