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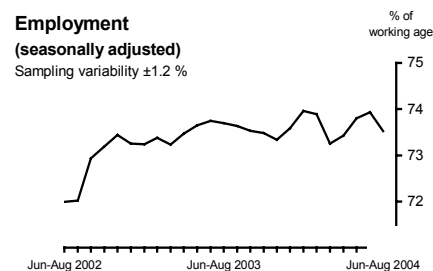
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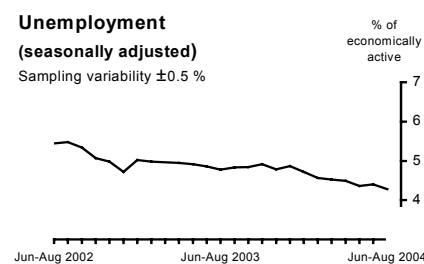
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Labour Force Survey data for the North West indicate that the trend in the employment rate appears to be broadly flat, and the rate in the latest period is not significantly different from a year ago. The trend in the unemployment rate is falling, but the latest rate is not significantly different from a year ago.

Data for the three months to August 2004 show the seasonally adjusted employment rate at 73.5 per cent, down 0.2 percentage points on a year earlier. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.3 per cent, down 0.5 percentage points on a year earlier.



The seasonally adjusted claimant count was down in the year to September 2004.



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		Level (thousands)	Rate (%)	Change on year (level)	Sampling variability (thousands)	Change on year (rate)	Sampling variability (%)
Employment*	Jun-Aug	3,161	73.5	23	± 79	-0.2	± 1.5
Unemployment**	Jun-Aug	141	4.3	-16	± 24	-0.5	± 0.7
Economically active*	Jun-Aug	3,302	76.8	7	± 78	-0.6	± 1.4
Economically inactive+ of which:	Jun-Aug	965	23.2	32	± 76	0.6	± 1.4
Not wanting a job+	Jun-Aug	737		35	± 69		
Wanting a job+	Jun-Aug	228		-3	± 41		
Civilian workforce jobs (not seasonally adjusted)	Jun 2004	3,366		35	..		
Claimant count	Sep 2004	97.1	2.8 ⁺⁺	-13.3		-0.4	

See note on page 8 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 Tables 17 and 18. See background note 5.

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From May 2001: vacancy series deferred (see note on page 7).

New this month:

June to August 2004 data: latest three-month average LFS results;

September 2004 data: claimant count;

June 2004 data: workforce jobs.

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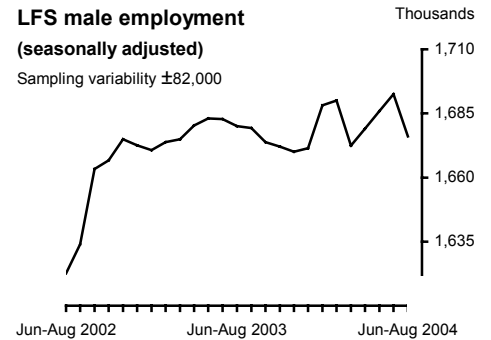
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Employment (tables 1 to 6)

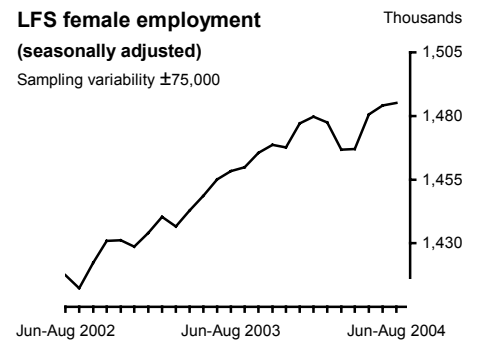
The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of employment in the North West was 73.5 per cent in the June to August 2004 period, down 0.2 percentage points on the same period a year earlier. The employment level was 3.16 million in the June to August 2004 period, up 23,000 on the same period a year earlier.



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

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

Seasonally adjusted employee jobs figures were up 2,000 in the quarter to June 2004.



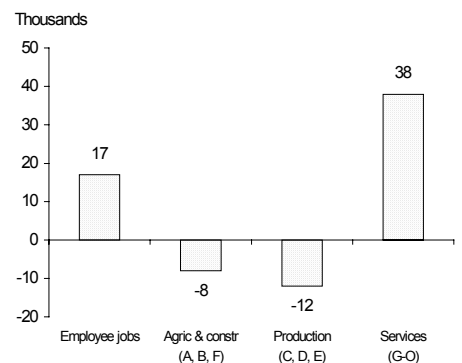
Not seasonally adjusted employee jobs were up 17,000 in the year to June 2004. This was mainly due to rises in the services and 'other' industries, partly offset by falls in construction and manufacturing industries.

Unemployment (table 1)

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the North West was 4.3 per cent in the June to August 2004 period, down 0.5 percentage points on the same period a year earlier. The rates for men and women in June to August 2004 were 4.6 per cent and 3.9 per cent respectively.

Employee jobs by industry

Change on year from June 2003



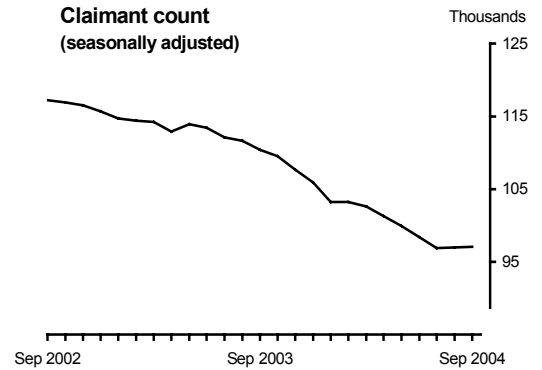
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Claimant count (tables 7 and 8)

The seasonally adjusted claimant count rate in September 2004 was 2.8 per cent, unchanged from August 2004, and down 0.4 percentage points since September 2003. The seasonally adjusted number of claimants in September 2004 was 97,100, up 100 on August 2004, and down 13,300 since September 2003. The not seasonally adjusted number of claimants was 96,000 in September 2004.



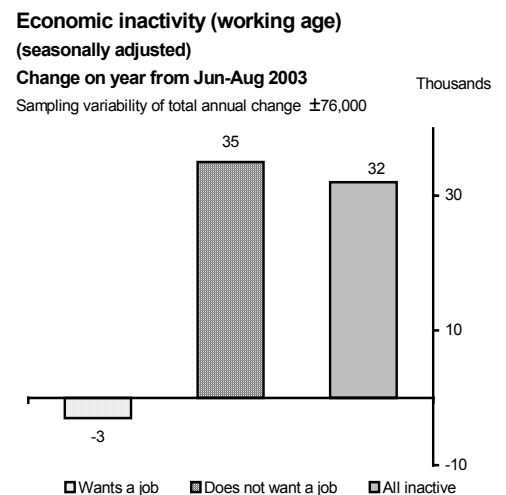
The not seasonally adjusted number of computerised claims of people aged 18 to 24 was 30,400 in September 2004, down 3,300 over the year. The number of computerised claims has fallen over the year for all age and duration groups.

Economically active (tables 1 and 9)

The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of economically active people in the North West was 3.30 million in the June to August 2004 period.

Economically inactive (tables 1, 10 and 11)

The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of economically inactive people in the North West in the June to August 2004 period was 2.09 million, with 965,000 of these of working age. Over the year the number of economically inactive people of working age was up 32,000.



Vacancies (table 12)

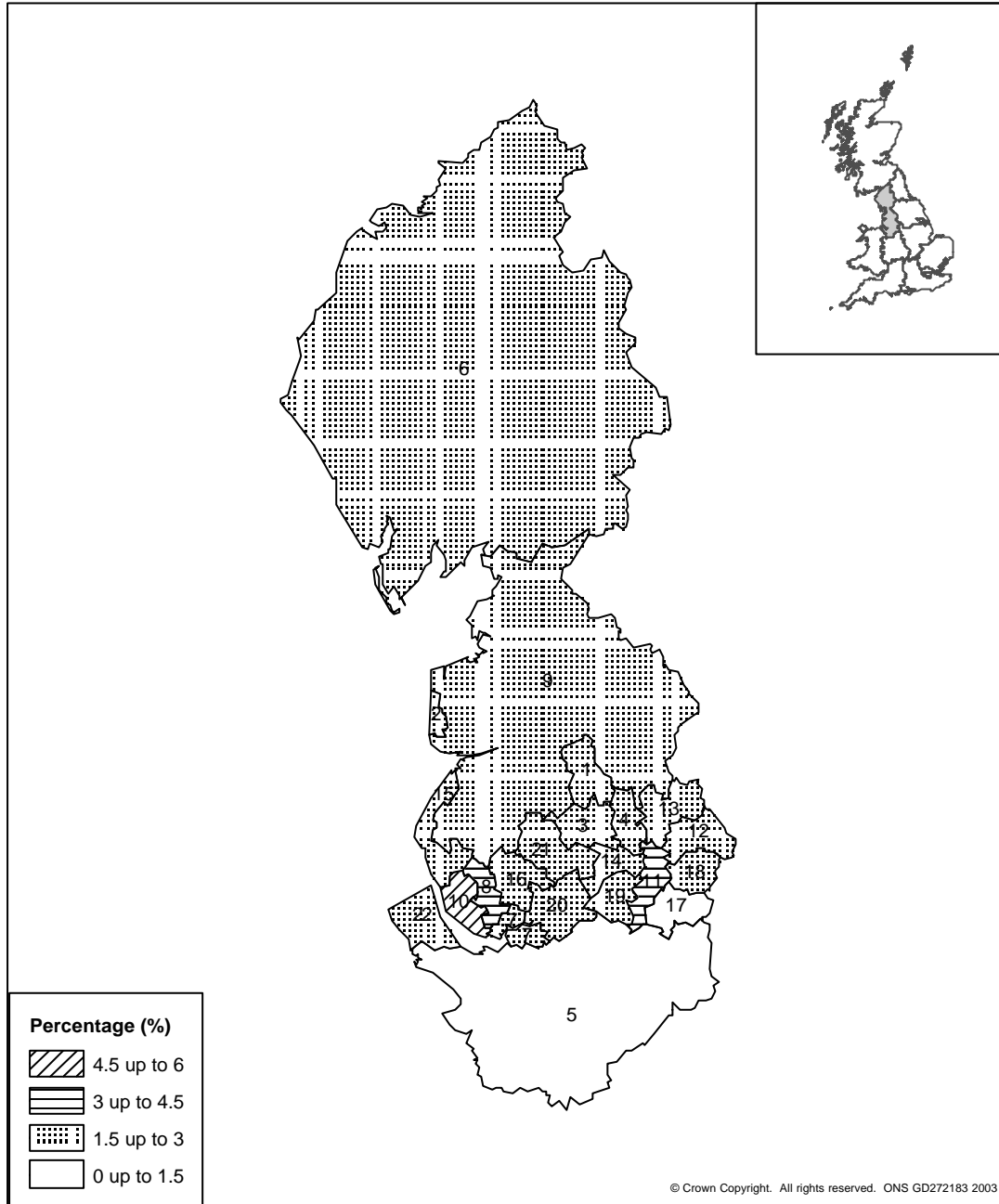
Publication of the seasonally adjusted Jobcentre vacancy series has been deferred. Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct – see note on page 7.

Local area data (table 17)

The claimant count as a proportion of the resident working age population was lowest in both Eden and Ribble Valley, at 0.6 per cent. It was highest in Liverpool, at 5.0 per cent.

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

September 2004 - North West



1 Blackburn with Darwen UA	2.6%	12 Oldham	2.3%
2 Blackpool UA	2.4%	13 Rochdale	2.5%
3 Bolton	2.1%	14 Salford	2.6%
4 Bury	1.6%	15 Sefton	2.7%
5 Cheshire	1.2%	16 St. Helens	2.5%
6 Cumbria	1.8%	17 Stockport	1.4%
7 Halton UA	2.7%	18 Tameside	2.2%
8 Knowsley	3.7%	19 Trafford	1.7%
9 Lancashire	1.7%	20 Warrington UA	1.5%
10 Liverpool	5.0%	21 Wigan	2.0%
11 Manchester	3.9%	22 Wirral	2.8%

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REVISIONS

LFS data

All LFS data have been revised this month to make them consistent with revised population estimates (see note on page 6).

General

One indication of the reliability of the key indicators in this release can be obtained by monitoring the size of revisions. The tables below record the size and pattern of revisions which have occurred over the last five years. Please note that these indicators only report summary measures for revisions. The revised data may itself be subject to sampling or other sources of error. The ONS standard presentation is to show five years worth of revisions (ie 60 observations for a monthly series, 20 for a quarterly series). The first table covers Employment and Unemployment data first published from January 1999 to October 2003 and Claimant Count data first published from November 1998 to October 2003. The second table covers workforce jobs data first published from January 2000 to October 2001. As more data are published a full five years worth of comparisons will be included for all series. A spreadsheet giving these estimates and the calculations behind the averages in the table is available on the National Statistics website at [\[http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=1944\]](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=1944).

Key Indicator	Value in latest period	Number of observations (maximum 60)	Revisions between first publication and estimates one year later	
			Average over the last five years (bias)	Average over the last five years without regard to sign (average absolute revision)
Employment rate (%)	73.5	58	-0.20	0.35
Unemployment rate (%)	4.3	58	0.08	0.16
Claimant count (000s)	97.1	49	0.10	0.41

Key Indicator	Value in latest period	Number of observations (maximum 20)	Revisions between first publication and estimates three years later	
			Average over the last five years (bias)	Average over the last five years without regard to sign (average absolute revision)
Workforce jobs (000s)#	3,366	8	#	113.88

* A statistical test has been applied to the average revision to find out if there is bias in the revisions. An asterisk (*) indicates where statistically significant bias has been found.

There are insufficient data to calculate the revisions analysis.

Labour Market statistics are revised in line with our Revisions Policy which is published on the National Statistics website [\[http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/Methodology_by_theme/downloads/LM_revisionspolicy.pdf\]](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/Methodology_by_theme/downloads/LM_revisionspolicy.pdf). More information about the revisions material in this release can also be found on the website - [\[http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/article.asp?ID=793\]](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/article.asp?ID=793).

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THIS MONTH

Revised LFS estimates

On 9 September 2004, ONS published the mid-year population estimate (MYE) for 2003, along with revised mid-year estimates for 2001 & 2002. The Government Actuary's Department (GAD) published revised projections for 2004 and later years on 30 September 2004. ONS published revised estimates for 1992-2000 on 7 October 2004. These revised population estimates and projections have been incorporated into the LFS estimates (for 1992 to date) published in this Release.

NEXT MONTH

The residence-based working-age population estimates used as denominators for calculating claimant count proportions for local authorities in tables 13, 16 and 17, will be updated next month, to use the latest available data.

SPECIAL

Revisions to population estimates

On 9 September 2004, ONS published the mid-year population estimate (MYE) for 2003, along with revised mid-year estimates for 2001 & 2002. These estimates take into account the results of population studies announced by ONS in July 2004. The population studies were designed to improve population estimates in areas that had proved hardest to count in the 2001 census, leading to revisions in 15 local authority areas. GAD published revised projections for 2004 and later years, based on the revised population estimates, on 30 September 2004. Revised population estimates for 1992-2000 were published by ONS on 7 October 2004. Further information is available on the website.

Future LFS revisions

Future revised population estimates, when accompanied by consistent historical series, will be incorporated as swiftly as possible into revised LFS series using the interim LFS adjustment procedure.

By 2005, it is planned that modernised LFS processing systems will be ready which will enable the new MYE for 2004 to be incorporated into revised LFS microdata much more swiftly than is now possible. The revised LFS time series, taking account of the 2004 MYE, to be released in September 2005 should therefore be produced entirely consistently with the LFS

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microdata, without the need for any interim adjustment procedure.

Tables 13 to 16: Local labour market indicators

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. These data are weighted to population estimates which were released in February 2003, not the latest revised population estimates. Interim reweighting of monthly LFS estimates at national and regional level has been applied in order to take account of the revised population data. For the annual local area LFS data such an interim reweighting is not possible. (see background note 2).

Jobcentre 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 involved transferring the vacancy-taking process from local Jobcentres to regional Customer Service Centres, has substantially affected the vacancy data since May 2001.

In addition, the numbers of notified vacancies appear to be substantially affected by a drive (from April 2003) by Jobcentre Plus to market their services and increase notifications from many employers in chosen sectors. Recent changes in these figures would therefore not necessarily signify developments in the labour market.

ONS and the Department for Work and Pensions are continuing to monitor and review the data with a view to restoring series when it is appropriate to do so.

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Sampling variability and trends

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>.

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*.

June to August 2004

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	3,101	3,161	3,222	-62	15	93	-56	23	101
Employment rate	72.3%	73.5%	74.7%	-1.4%	0.1%	1.6%	-1.7%	-0.2%	1.3%
Unemployment	124	141	158	-29	-7	16	-40	-16	8
Unemployment rate	3.8%	4.3%	4.8%	-0.9%	-0.2%	0.5%	-1.2%	-0.5%	0.2%
Economically active	3,243	3,302	3,362	-68	9	86	-71	7	84
Economic activity rate	75.7%	76.8%	78.0%	-1.6%	-0.1%	1.3%	-2.1%	-0.6%	0.8%
Economically inactive	906	965	1,024	-70	6	83	-45	32	108

Sampling variability of regional Labour Force Survey figures

June to August 2004

	Employment	Unemployment	Economically Active	Working age Economically Inactive	Employment	Unemployment
	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Rate (%)	Rate (%)
North East	± 35	± 11	± 35	± 36	± 1.8	± 1.0
North West	± 60	± 17	± 60	± 59	± 1.2	± 0.5
Yorks & Humber	± 48	± 15	± 47	± 47	± 1.2	± 0.6
East Midlands	± 39	± 12	± 39	± 45	± 1.4	± 0.7
West Midlands	± 51	± 16	± 50	± 50	± 1.3	± 0.6
East	± 49	± 15	± 49	± 46	± 1.1	± 0.5
London	± 65	± 25	± 62	± 63	± 1.2	± 0.7
South East	± 60	± 17	± 59	± 56	± 0.9	± 0.4
South West	± 49	± 13	± 49	± 46	± 1.2	± 0.5
Wales	± 38	± 11	± 38	± 39	± 1.8	± 0.8
Scotland	± 48	± 17	± 47	± 45	± 1.2	± 0.7

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BACKGROUND NOTES

1. The LFS sample population covers those living in private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation.
2. Annual local area data from the LFS are included in Tables 13 to 16. All LFS micro-data have been reweighted to be consistent with post census population estimates, which were published in February 2003. However, during this reweighting exercise, revised population estimates were released, in September 2003. The quarterly, regional LFS data in this release have been interim reweighted to the latest (September 2003) population estimates, but for local area data such an interim reweighting is not possible. The LFS data in Tables 13 to 16 are therefore not consistent with the quarterly LFS data published elsewhere in the release. The next reweighting of LFS micro-data will be in 2005, after which all LFS outputs will be consistent with the latest population estimates (see note on future LFS revisions on page 6).

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/llfs>. A wide range of annual local area data from the LFS is available free from the Nomis[®] website at <http://www.nomisweb.co.uk>.

3. 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.

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4. 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.
5. 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) 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.
6. 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.
7. Travel-to-Work areas (Table 15) are approximations to self-contained labour markets, i.e. areas where people both live and work.
8. 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.
9. 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 average be within +/- 6 per cent of the estimate. However, this will vary from region to region.
10. 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.

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11. 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.
12. 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*.
13. 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>).
14. Details of the policy governing the release of new data are available from the press office. Also available is a list of the names of those given pre-publication access to the contents of this release.
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The following symbols are used in the tables:

..	not available	-	nil or negligible
p	provisional	r	revised
*	grossed up total less than 9,500		

Totals may differ from the sum of components because of rounding or separate adjustment of components.

NATIONAL LABOUR MARKET SUMMARY, BY REGION

Summary of Labour Force Survey data

Thousands, seasonally adjusted

Labour Force Survey# (June to August 2004)

	Total aged 16 & over		Economically active				Employment					Unemployment								
	Total		Men		Women		Total		Men		Women			Total		Men		Women		
	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	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	2,028	1,185	74.6	631	555	1,114	70.0	588	72.5	526	67.3	72	6.0	43	6.7	29	5.3			
North West	5,394	3,302	76.8	1,757	1,546	3,161	73.5	1,676	76.8	1,485	70.0	141	4.3	81	4.6	61	3.9			
Yorkshire & the Humber	3,977	2,460	77.8	1,326	1,134	2,353	74.4	1,264	78.7	1,089	69.8	107	4.3	62	4.7	45	4.0			
East Midlands	3,395	2,134	79.0	1,169	966	2,053	76.0	1,121	80.6	932	71.0	82	3.8	47	4.1	34	3.5			
West Midlands	4,198	2,603	78.2	1,442	1,160	2,463	74.0	1,359	79.2	1,104	68.2	139	5.4	84	5.8	56	4.8			
East	4,341	2,849	82.3	1,552	1,297	2,748	79.3	1,496	84.2	1,252	74.1	101	3.5	55	3.6	46	3.5			
London	5,895	3,784	75.0	2,119	1,665	3,523	69.7	1,973	76.8	1,550	62.2	261	6.9	146	6.9	115	6.9			
South East	6,406	4,210	81.9	2,291	1,919	4,056	78.8	2,196	83.7	1,861	73.5	153	3.6	95	4.1	58	3.0			
South West	4,012	2,534	81.6	1,366	1,167	2,446	78.7	1,311	82.3	1,135	74.9	87	3.4	55	4.0	32	2.8			
England	39,646	25,061	78.7	13,652	11,409	23,918	75.1	12,985	79.8	10,933	70.0	1,143	4.6	667	4.9	476	4.2			
Wales	2,350	1,374	74.7	738	636	1,311	71.2	704	75.2	606	66.9	63	4.6	34	4.6	29	4.6			
Scotland	4,069	2,584	79.7	1,362	1,222	2,437	75.0	1,268	77.5	1,169	72.5	147	5.7	94	6.9	53	4.4			
Great Britain	46,064	29,019	78.6	15,752	13,266	27,665	74.9	14,957	79.4	12,708	70.0	1,354	4.7	795	5.0	559	4.2			
N Ireland	1,304	756	70.5	424	332	721	67.2	400	73.4	321	60.6	35	4.7	24	5.7	11	3.3			
United Kingdom	47,368	29,780	78.4	16,178	13,601	28,392	74.7	15,359	79.2	13,033	69.8	1,387	4.7	819	5.1	568	4.2			

Change on quarter: +

	Total aged 16 & over		Economically active				Employment					Unemployment								
	Total		Men		Women		Total		Men		Women			Total		Men		Women		
	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**		
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17				
North East	2	13	1.2	5	8	6	0.6	6	0.9	0	0.3	7	0.5	-1	-0.2	8	1.4			
North West	10	9	-0.1	-3	12	15	0.1	-3	-0.4	18	0.7	-7	-0.2	0	0.0	-6	-0.4			
Yorkshire & the Humber	8	-5	-0.2	-2	-3	-3	-0.1	0	0.0	-3	-0.2	-2	-0.1	-2	-0.1	0	0.0			
East Midlands	7	-35	-1.4	-10	-25	-21	-0.9	-6	-0.5	-15	-1.3	-14	-0.6	-5	-0.4	-9	-0.8			
West Midlands	4	-7	-0.2	13	-20	-1	0.0	15	0.8	-16	-0.9	-6	-0.2	-2	-0.2	-4	-0.3			
East	7	3	-0.1	2	1	15	0.3	11	0.3	4	0.3	-12	-0.4	-8	-0.5	-4	-0.3			
London	5	-25	-0.7	-4	-21	-25	-0.7	0	-0.3	-25	-1.2	1	0.1	-3	-0.1	4	0.3			
South East	9	15	0.3	2	13	22	0.4	-8	-0.3	29	1.1	-7	-0.2	9	0.4	-16	-0.9			
South West	9	3	0.1	0	3	0	0.0	9	-0.5	6	0.4	3	0.1	7	0.5	-3	-0.3			
England	62	-29	-0.2	2	-31	7	-0.1	8	-0.1	-1	0.0	-37	-0.1	-6	0.0	-31	-0.3			
Wales	5	-26	-1.7	-14	-12	-24	-1.6	-14	-1.9	-9	-1.2	-2	-0.1	0	0.1	-2	-0.3			
Scotland	4	7	0.2	3	4	16	0.5	4	0.0	12	1.0	-8	-0.3	0	0.0	-8	-0.7			
Great Britain	72	-48	-0.2	-8	-39	-1	-0.1	-3	-0.2	2	0.0	-47	-0.2	-6	0.0	-41	-0.3			
N Ireland	3	6	0.3	7	-1	9	0.5	10	1.6	-1	-0.6	-2	-0.3	-3	-0.8	1	0.2			
United Kingdom	75	-41	-0.2	-1	-40	10	-0.1	9	-0.1	1	0.0	-51	-0.2	-10	-0.1	-41	-0.3			

Change on year:

	Total aged 16 & over		Economically active				Employment					Unemployment								
	Total		Men		Women		Total		Men		Women			Total		Men		Women		
	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**		
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17									
North East	7	27	1.5	-3	30	29	1.6	4	0.2	25	3.1	-2	-0.3	-7	-1.0	5	0.7			
North West	39	7	-0.6	-18	25	23	-0.2	-4	-0.8	27	0.5	-16	-0.5	-14	-0.7	-2	-0.2			
Yorkshire & the Humber	31	13	-0.4	-5	18	30	0.2	13	0.2	17	0.2	-17	-0.7	-18	-1.3	1	0.0			
East Midlands	30	-1	-0.4	-5	4	15	0.3	4	-0.2	11	0.8	-16	-0.8	-10	-0.8	-7	-0.7			
West Midlands	17	8	0.2	12	-3	16	0.4	14	0.8	2	0.0	-8	-0.3	-3	-0.2	-5	-0.4			
East	28	44	0.7	15	29	51	1.0	23	0.5	28	1.5	-7	-0.3	-7	-0.5	1	0.0			
London	20	-17	-0.8	-14	-3	2	-0.4	8	-0.2	-6	-0.6	-19	-0.5	-22	-1.0	3	0.2			
South East	38	-1	-0.5	7	-8	13	-0.3	6	-0.3	7	-0.2	-14	-0.3	2	0.1	-15	-0.8			
South West	37	34	0.4	24	10	32	0.5	13	0.2	19	0.7	2	0.0	11	0.8	-9	-0.8			
England	248	115	-0.2	13	102	211	0.2	81	0.0	130	0.4	-95	-0.4	-68	-0.5	-28	-0.3			
Wales	21	-15	-1.8	4	-19	-14	-1.7	11	0.2	-25	-3.8	-1	0.0	-8	-1.0	6	1.1			
Scotland	18	32	0.6	7	25	32	0.6	4	-0.2	27	1.4	0	-0.1	3	0.2	-3	-0.3			
Great Britain	287	132	-0.2	24	108	229	0.1	96	0.0	132	0.3	-96	-0.4	-72	-0.5	-24	-0.2			
N Ireland	11	-14	-1.7	-10	-3	-6	-0.9	-5	-1.2	-1	-0.5	-8	-0.9	-5	-1.1	-2	-0.6			
United Kingdom	299	117	-0.2	13	104	221	0.1	92	-0.1	130	0.3	-105	-0.4	-78	-0.5	-26	-0.2			

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

* Denominator = all persons of working age.

** 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.

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.

Data source: Labour Force Survey

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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 (June 2004); not seasonally adjusted			Claimant count* (September 2004); seasonally adjusted						Jobcentre vacancies (September 2004); 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	1,108	577	532	45.1	3.9	35.1	5.6	10.0	1.9			
North West	3,366	1,758	1,609	97.1	2.8	74.3	4.0	22.8	1.4			
Yorkshire & the Humber	2,428	1,282	1,146	71.2	2.9	54.1	4.1	17.1	1.5			
East Midlands	2,000	1,055	946	50.8	2.4	36.9	3.3	13.9	1.4			
West Midlands	2,607	1,388	1,220	85.7	3.2	64.4	4.4	21.3	1.7			
East	2,676	1,431	1,245	54.7	2.0	39.4	2.7	15.3	1.2			
London	4,575	2,532	2,042	160.3	3.4	114.9	4.4	45.4	2.2			
South East	4,283	2,293	1,990	68.5	1.6	50.5	2.1	18.0	0.9			
South West	2,497	1,328	1,169	40.6	1.6	29.6	2.1	11.0	0.9			
England	25,534	13,637	11,897	674.0	2.6	499.2	3.5	174.8	1.5			
Wales	1,263	658	604	39.3	3.0	29.8	4.2	9.5	1.5			
Scotland	2,507	1,287	1,220	91.0	3.5	69.9	5.1	21.1	1.7			
Great Britain	29,304	15,582	13,722	804.3	2.7	598.9	3.7	205.4	1.5			
N Ireland	787	415	372	29.7	3.6	22.6	5.1	7.1	1.9			
United Kingdom	30,091	15,997	14,094	834.0	2.7	621.5	3.7	212.5	1.5			

Publication of the jobcentre vacancy statistics has been deferred. Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct - see note on page 7

Changes on period (period specified below):

	Employer surveys			Jobcentre Plus administrative system						Jobcentre Plus administrative system		
	Civilian workforce jobs (Change on June 2003); not seasonally adjusted			Claimant count* (Change on August 2004) seasonally adjusted						Jobcentre vacancies (Change on August 2004) seasonally adjusted		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Notified vacancies	Unfilled vacancies	Outflow of vacancies	
	Level	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) ⁺	Level	Rate (%) ⁺	Level				Rate (%) ⁺
North East	-2	-11	9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
North West	35	-3	38	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0			
Yorkshire & the Humber	42	28	14	-0.5	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.0			
East Midlands	-8	-11	3	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0			
West Midlands	10	-7	18	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0			
East	24	8	16	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0			
London	51	38	13	-0.6	0.0	-0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0			
South East	19	19	1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0			
South West	27	17	10	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0			
England	193	72	121	-1.1	0.0	-1.2	0.0	0.1	0.0			
Wales	-13	-12	-1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0			
Scotland	2	0	2	0.9	0.0	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.0			
Great Britain	182	60	122	-0.3	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0.2	0.0			
N Ireland	15	7	8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0			
United Kingdom	197	67	131	-0.2	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0.3	0.0			

Publication of the jobcentre vacancy statistics has been deferred. Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct - see note on page 7.

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.

(thousands),
seasonally
adjusted

1 Summary of LFS data for June to August 2004

		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	Jun-Aug 2002	5,321	3,215	3,040	175	2,106	60.4	57.1	5.4	39.6
	Jun-Aug 2003	5,355	3,296	3,138	157	2,059	61.5	58.6	4.8	38.5
	Sep-Nov 2003	5,365	3,303	3,141	162	2,062	61.6	58.5	4.9	38.4
	Dec-Feb 2004	5,374	3,325	3,168	157	2,050	61.9	58.9	4.7	38.1
	Mar-May 2004	5,384	3,294	3,146	148	2,090	61.2	58.4	4.5	38.8
	Jun-Aug 2004	5,394	3,302	3,161	141	2,091	61.2	58.6	4.3	38.8
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	10	9	15	-7	1	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.3	0.5	-4.4	0.1					
<i>Change on year</i>	39	7	23	-16	32	-0.3	0.0	-0.5	0.3	
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	0.2	0.7	-10.2	1.6					
Men	Jun-Aug 2002	2,557	1,729	1,623	107	828	67.6	63.5	6.2	32.4
	Jun-Aug 2003	2,577	1,774	1,680	94	802	68.9	65.2	5.3	31.1
	Sep-Nov 2003	2,582	1,771	1,672	99	812	68.6	64.7	5.6	31.4
	Dec-Feb 2004	2,588	1,780	1,688	92	808	68.8	65.2	5.1	31.2
	Mar-May 2004	2,594	1,760	1,679	81	834	67.9	64.7	4.6	32.1
	Jun-Aug 2004	2,599	1,757	1,676	81	843	67.6	64.5	4.6	32.4
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	6	-3	-3	0	9	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.3
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	1.1					
<i>Change on year</i>	23	-18	-4	-14	40	-1.3	-0.7	-0.7	1.3	
<i>Change %</i>	0.9	-1.0	-0.2	-14.7	5.0					
Women	Jun-Aug 2002	2,764	1,486	1,417	68	1,278	53.8	51.3	4.6	46.2
	Jun-Aug 2003	2,778	1,521	1,458	63	1,257	54.8	52.5	4.1	45.2
	Sep-Nov 2003	2,782	1,532	1,469	64	1,250	55.1	52.8	4.1	44.9
	Dec-Feb 2004	2,786	1,545	1,480	65	1,241	55.4	53.1	4.2	44.6
	Mar-May 2004	2,791	1,534	1,467	67	1,257	55.0	52.6	4.4	45.0
	Jun-Aug 2004	2,795	1,546	1,485	61	1,249	55.3	53.1	3.9	44.7
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	4	12	18	-6	-8	0.3	0.6	-0.4	-0.3
<i>Change %</i>	0.1	0.8	1.2	-9.4	-0.6					
<i>Change on year</i>	17	25	27	-2	-8	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.6	
<i>Change %</i>	0.6	1.6	1.8	-3.5	-0.6					

		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	Jun-Aug 2002	4,114	3,136	2,962	174	978	76.2	72.0	5.6	23.8	
	Jun-Aug 2003	4,140	3,207	3,051	155	933	77.5	73.7	4.8	22.5	
	Sep-Nov 2003	4,147	3,208	3,048	160	939	77.4	73.5	5.0	22.6	
	Dec-Feb 2004	4,155	3,229	3,073	156	926	77.7	74.0	4.8	22.3	
	Mar-May 2004	4,162	3,203	3,056	147	959	77.0	73.4	4.6	23.0	
	Jun-Aug 2004	4,169	3,204	3,065	139	965	76.8	73.5	4.3	23.2	
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	7	1	9	-8	6	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.1	
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.0	0.3	-5.6	0.7						
<i>Change on year</i>	29	-2	14	-17	32	-0.6	-0.2	-0.5	0.6		
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	-0.1	0.5	-10.7	3.4						
Men	Jun-Aug 2002	2,117	1,707	1,601	106	410	80.6	75.6	6.2	19.4	
	Jun-Aug 2003	2,130	1,747	1,654	93	383	82.0	77.6	5.3	18.0	
	Sep-Nov 2003	2,135	1,741	1,644	97	394	81.5	77.0	5.6	18.5	
	Dec-Feb 2004	2,139	1,752	1,660	92	387	81.9	77.6	5.2	18.1	
	Mar-May 2004	2,143	1,736	1,655	81	407	81.0	77.2	4.7	19.0	
	Jun-Aug 2004	2,147	1,729	1,649	80	418	80.5	76.8	4.6	19.5	
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	4	-7	-6	-1	12	-0.5	-0.4	0.0	0.5	
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-1.3	2.9						
<i>Change on year</i>	17	-18	-5	-13	35	-1.5	-0.8	-0.7	1.5		
<i>Change %</i>	0.8	-1.1	-0.3	-14.3	9.2						
Women	Jun-Aug 2002	1,997	1,429	1,361	68	568	71.6	68.1	4.8	28.4	
	Jun-Aug 2003	2,010	1,459	1,397	62	550	72.6	69.5	4.3	27.4	
	Sep-Nov 2003	2,013	1,467	1,404	63	545	72.9	69.8	4.3	27.1	
	Dec-Feb 2004	2,016	1,477	1,412	65	539	73.3	70.1	4.4	26.7	
	Mar-May 2004	2,019	1,467	1,401	66	552	72.6	69.4	4.5	27.4	
	Jun-Aug 2004	2,022	1,475	1,416	59	547	73.0	70.0	4.0	27.0	
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	3	9	16	-7	-5	0.3	0.7	-0.5	-0.3	
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.6	1.1	-10.9	-1.0						
<i>Change on year</i>	13	16	19	-3	-3	0.3	0.5	-0.3	-0.3		
<i>Change %</i>	0.6	1.1	1.4	-5.4	-0.6						

Relationship between columns: 1 = 2 + 5; 2 = 3 + 4; 6 = 2/1; 7 = 3/1; 8 = 4/2; 9 = 5/1; 10 = 11 + 14; 11 = 12 + 13; 15 = 11/10; 16 = 12/10; 17 = 13/11; 18 = 14/10

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

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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
2003							
	September	110.4	85.1	25.3	3.2	4.6	1.6
	October	109.5	84.5	25.0	3.2	4.6	1.6
	November #	107.7	83.0	24.7	3.1	4.5	1.5
	December	105.9	81.4	24.5	3.1	4.4	1.5
2004							
	January	103.2	79.5	23.7	3.0	4.3	1.5
	February #	103.2	79.0	24.2	3.0	4.3	1.5
	March	102.6	78.4	24.2	3.0	4.2	1.5
	April	101.3	77.4	23.9	2.9	4.2	1.5
	May #	99.9	76.1	23.8	2.9	4.1	1.5
	June	98.4	75.2	23.2	2.9	4.1	1.5
	July	96.9	74.2	22.7	2.8	4.0	1.4
	August # (r)	97.0	74.3	22.7	2.8	4.0	1.4
	September (p)	97.1	74.3	22.8	2.8	4.0	1.4
	Change on period	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Change %	0.1	0.0	0.4			
	Change on year	-13.3	-10.8	-2.5	-0.4	-0.6	-0.2
	Change %	-12.0	-12.7	-9.9			

	Notified	Unfilled
	vacancies	vacancies
	Level	Level
	IBWG	IBWE
2003		
September		
October		
November #		
December		
2004		
January	Publication of these vacancy statistics has been deferred.	
February #	Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct - see note on page 7.	
March		
April		
May #		
June		
July		
August #		
September		

* 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 Tables 17 and 18.

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

See background note 5.

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

EMPLOYMENT

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	Jun - Aug 2001	3,035	2,954	80	369	711	1,148	646	81
	Jun - Aug 2002	3,037	2,961	68	387	692	1,164	651	76
	Jun - Aug 2003	3,134	3,049	66	402	683	1,184	715	85
	Sep - Nov 2003	3,153	3,057	76	405	679	1,202	695	96
	Dec - Feb 2004	3,170	3,074	71	416	682	1,201	703	95
	Mar - May 2004	3,139	3,048	67	405	681	1,195	700	91
	Jun - Aug 2004	3,156	3,062	74	419	687	1,193	689	94
	<i>Change on year</i>	22	13	8	18	4	10	-26	9
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	0.4	12.1	4.4	0.6	0.8	-3.6	10.7	
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	1,643	1,617	42	201	385	598	391	26
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,629	1,608	30	202	374	615	387	21
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,686	1,661	38	210	370	630	413	26
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,679	1,649	36	210	364	632	407	30
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,686	1,659	35	225	361	629	409	26
	Mar - May 2004	1,671	1,646	34	212	356	633	411	25
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,682	1,655	35	213	360	638	409	27
	<i>Change on year</i>	-4	-6	-2	3	-10	7	-3	1
<i>Change %</i>	-0.3	-0.3	-6.6	1.5	-2.7	1.2	-0.8	5.4	
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	1,392	1,337	38	168	325	551	255	54
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,408	1,354	39	185	318	548	264	55
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,448	1,388	28	192	312	553	302	59
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,475	1,409	40	195	316	570	288	66
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,484	1,415	36	191	321	573	294	69
	Mar - May 2004	1,468	1,402	33	194	325	562	289	66
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,474	1,407	39	206	326	556	280	67
	<i>Change on year</i>	27	19	10	15	14	2	-23	8
<i>Change %</i>	1.8	1.4	36.8	7.6	4.5	0.4	-7.5	13.0	
Employment rates (%)*									
People	Jun - Aug 2001	57.3	72.2	44.8	66.7	77.7	80.7	63.2	6.7
	Jun - Aug 2002	57.1	72.0	37.1	67.7	78.2	80.7	63.1	6.3
	Jun - Aug 2003	58.5	73.7	35.8	67.5	79.1	81.1	68.9	7.0
	Sep - Nov 2003	58.8	73.7	41.3	67.6	79.0	82.1	66.8	7.9
	Dec - Feb 2004	59.0	74.0	38.5	68.9	79.7	81.8	67.5	7.8
	Mar - May 2004	58.3	73.2	36.0	66.6	79.9	81.2	67.1	7.4
	Jun - Aug 2004	58.5	73.4	39.6	68.4	80.9	80.8	66.0	7.7
	<i>Change on year</i>	0.0	-0.2	3.8	0.9	1.9	-0.3	-2.9	0.7
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	64.7	76.8	46.0	73.8	86.0	85.3	66.0	6.0
	Jun - Aug 2002	63.7	76.0	31.6	71.4	86.2	86.7	64.9	4.8
	Jun - Aug 2003	65.5	78.0	40.1	71.1	87.6	87.8	68.7	5.7
	Sep - Nov 2003	65.0	77.2	38.1	70.5	86.4	87.8	67.6	6.7
	Dec - Feb 2004	65.1	77.6	37.3	74.8	86.2	87.1	67.9	5.9
	Mar - May 2004	64.4	76.8	35.5	69.9	85.4	87.4	68.0	5.6
	Jun - Aug 2004	64.7	77.1	36.9	69.8	86.7	87.8	67.6	5.9
	<i>Change on year</i>	-0.7	-0.9	-3.2	-1.3	-0.9	0.0	-1.1	0.2
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	50.5	67.3	43.6	59.8	69.8	76.3	59.3	7.1
	Jun - Aug 2002	51.0	67.8	42.9	64.1	70.4	74.9	60.6	7.1
	Jun - Aug 2003	52.1	69.1	31.4	63.9	70.9	74.6	69.1	7.7
	Sep - Nov 2003	53.0	70.0	44.7	64.6	72.0	76.6	65.7	8.6
	Dec - Feb 2004	53.2	70.2	39.6	63.0	73.5	76.8	67.0	8.9
	Mar - May 2004	52.6	69.5	36.4	63.3	74.7	75.1	65.8	8.5
	Jun - Aug 2004	52.7	69.6	42.4	67.0	75.4	74.0	63.7	8.7
	<i>Change on year</i>	0.6	0.5	11.0	3.0	4.5	-0.6	-5.4	1.0

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.

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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	Jun - Aug 2001	3,035	2,683	329	*	18	2,292	743	118	162
	Jun - Aug 2002	3,037	2,693	325	*	11	2,282	754	96	153
	Jun - Aug 2003	3,134	2,767	346	10	11	2,345	787	100	154
	Sep - Nov 2003	3,153	2,777	354	11	11	2,358	795	109	175
	Dec - Feb 2004	3,170	2,796	347	13	13	2,339	828	111	150
	Mar - May 2004	3,139	2,763	351	*	18	2,348	788	104	137
	Jun - Aug 2004	3,156	2,776	365	*	10	2,359	796	93	143
	<i>Change on year</i>	22	9	19	*	-1	14	9	-7	-11
	<i>Change %</i>	0.7	0.3	5.5	*	-6.5	0.6	1.2	-6.5	-7.2
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	1,643	1,376	252	*	14	1,485	158	39	84
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,629	1,377	243	*	*	1,482	147	43	71
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,686	1,425	253	*	*	1,523	162	46	82
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,679	1,404	264	*	*	1,517	162	45	87
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,686	1,407	265	*	*	1,512	172	45	67
	Mar - May 2004	1,671	1,405	251	*	12	1,506	163	45	64
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,682	1,412	263	*	*	1,519	163	39	72
	<i>Change on year</i>	-4	-13	10	*	*	-4	1	-8	-10
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.3	-0.9	3.8	*	*	-0.3	0.4	-16.4	-12.7
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	1,392	1,307	77	*	*	807	585	79	79
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,408	1,316	82	*	*	800	607	52	82
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,448	1,343	92	*	*	822	625	54	72
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,475	1,373	90	*	*	841	633	64	89
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,484	1,390	82	*	*	828	655	66	83
	Mar - May 2004	1,468	1,357	100	*	*	843	625	60	73
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,474	1,365	102	*	*	840	634	55	72
	<i>Change on year</i>	27	22	9	*	*	18	9	1	-1
	<i>Change %</i>	1.8	1.6	10.1	*	*	2.2	1.4	2.0	-1.0

		Temporary workers (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	Jun - Aug 2001	162	49	42	71	*	732	83	528	120
	Jun - Aug 2002	153	46	43	65	*	744	73	548	122
	Jun - Aug 2003	154	40	41	74	*	776	69	585	119
	Sep - Nov 2003	175	54	44	77	*	780	84	570	126
	Dec - Feb 2004	150	46	40	64	*	811	68	605	135
	Mar - May 2004	137	45	35	57	*	776	54	590	130
	Jun - Aug 2004	143	35	34	74	*	787	55	588	141
	<i>Change on year</i>	-11	-5	-7	0		11	-15	3	23
	<i>Change %</i>	-7.2	-13.3	-16.6	0.7		1.4	-21.1	0.5	19.3

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.

EMPLOYMENT

4 Civilian workforce jobs

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(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		Civilian workforce jobs	Employee jobs	Self- employment jobs	Government- supported trainees
		1	2	3	4
All jobs	Jun 00	3,182	2,823	345	15
	Jun 01	3,224	2,864	350	10
	Jun 02	3,275	2,920	344	11
	Jun 03	3,331	2,956	362	12
	Sep 03	3,348	2,966	368	14
	Dec 03	3,352	2,986	351	15
	Mar 04 r	3,338	2,962	361	15
	Jun 04	3,366	2,973	379	14
<i>Change on year</i>		35	17	17	2
<i>Change %</i>		1.1	0.6	4.6	15.1
Male jobs	Jun 00	1,694	1,429	257	9
	Jun 01	1,691	1,428	257	7
	Jun 02	1,714	1,455	253	6
	Jun 03	1,760	1,485	268	7
	Sep 03	1,770	1,491	271	8
	Dec 03	1,758	1,492	257	9
	Mar 04 r	1,750	1,475	265	9
	Jun 04	1,758	1,482	267	8
<i>Change on year</i>		-3	-4	0	1
<i>Change %</i>		-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	16.6
Female jobs	Jun 00	1,488	1,393	88	6
	Jun 01	1,534	1,436	94	4
	Jun 02	1,560	1,465	91	4
	Jun 03	1,570	1,471	94	5
	Sep 03	1,578	1,475	97	5
	Dec 03	1,593	1,493	94	6
	Mar 04	1,589	1,487	96	6
	Jun 04	1,609	1,492	111	6
<i>Change on year</i>		38	21	17	1
<i>Change %</i>		2.4	1.4	17.9	13.0

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 from administrative sources.

EMPLOYMENT

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5 Employee jobs by industry

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

Standard Industrial Classification (1992)

SIC 1992 SECTION		All jobs (seasonally adjusted)	Agriculture Forestry & Fishing	Mining Energy & Water Supplies Industries	Manufacturing Industries	Construction	Service Industries	Other Industries	
		A-O	A,B	C,E	D	F	G-K	L-O	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
All jobs	Jun 01	2,869	2,864	15	21	483	134	1,331	880
	Jun 02	2,925	2,920	15	19	457	134	1,380	915
	Jun 03	2,961	2,956	15	18	444	136	1,417	927
	Sep 03	2,960	2,966	16	18	443	131	1,427	932
	Dec 03	2,974	2,986	14	18	439	133	1,445	937
	Mar 04 (r)	2,976	2,962	14	18	435	130	1,423	943
	Jun 04	2,978	2,973	15	18	431	128	1,435	947
	<i>Change on qtr</i>	<i>2</i>							
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>0.1</i>							
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-12</i>	<i>-8</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>20</i>
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>-2.4</i>	<i>-2.8</i>	<i>-5.9</i>	<i>1.3</i>	<i>2.1</i>
Male jobs	Jun 01	1,435	1,428	9	12	350	115	665	277
	Jun 02	1,463	1,455	10	11	336	116	701	282
	Jun 03	1,494	1,485	10	11	330	116	734	284
	Sep 03	1,488	1,491	11	11	330	112	741	286
	Dec 03	1,479	1,492	10	11	326	114	744	287
	Mar 04 (r)	1,485	1,475	9	11	324	110	733	289
	Jun 04	1,489	1,482	9	10	322	109	740	290
	<i>Change on qtr</i>	<i>4</i>							
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>0.2</i>							
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>-5</i>	<i>-4</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-8</i>	<i>-7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>-0.4</i>	<i>-0.3</i>	<i>-6.7</i>	<i>-3.6</i>	<i>-2.5</i>	<i>-6.0</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>2.3</i>
Female jobs	Jun 01	1,434	1,436	6	8	133	20	666	603
	Jun 02	1,462	1,465	5	7	122	18	680	633
	Jun 03	1,467	1,471	5	7	114	20	683	643
	Sep 03	1,471	1,475	5	8	113	19	685	646
	Dec 03	1,495	1,493	4	7	112	19	701	650
	Mar 04 (r)	1,491	1,487	5	7	111	20	690	654
	Jun 04	1,489	1,492	5	7	110	19	695	656
	<i>Change on qtr</i>	<i>-2</i>							
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>-0.1</i>							
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-4</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>1.5</i>	<i>1.4</i>	<i>16.8</i>	<i>-0.7</i>	<i>-3.6</i>	<i>-5.4</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>2.1</i>

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	Jun - Aug 2001	97	31.9	36.6	15.6	10.9
	Jun - Aug 2002	95	31.2	36.1	15.3	8.8
	Jun - Aug 2003	99	31.6	36.5	16.0	10.1
	Sep - Nov 2003	103	32.5	37.6	16.3	9.8
	Dec - Feb 2004	97	30.5	35.2	15.8	9.0
	Mar - May 2004	101	32.1	37.0	16.3	8.0
	Jun - Aug 2004	98	31.2	36.0	15.6	10.2
	<i>Change on year</i>	-1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.3	0.1
<i>Change %</i>	0	-1.5	-1.3	-2.2	1.3	
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	60	36.8	38.7	15.0	12.8
	Jun - Aug 2002	59	36.5	38.2	16.2	9.2
	Jun - Aug 2003	61	36.4	38.3	16.5	10.3
	Sep - Nov 2003	63	37.5	39.4	16.1	10.9
	Dec - Feb 2004	59	34.8	36.8	14.6	10.9
	Mar - May 2004	62	36.9	38.8	15.7	8.5
	Jun - Aug 2004	61	36.0	37.9	15.8	12.8
	<i>Change on year</i>	-1	-0.4	-0.4	-0.7	2.5
<i>Change %</i>	0	-1.1	-1.1	-4.4	24.0	
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	36	26.1	32.7	15.7	10.0
	Jun - Aug 2002	35	25.2	32.3	15.1	8.5
	Jun - Aug 2003	38	26.0	33.1	15.8	9.9
	Sep - Nov 2003	40	26.9	34.2	16.3	9.1
	Dec - Feb 2004	38	25.5	32.4	16.1	7.8
	Mar - May 2004	39	26.6	33.6	16.5	7.6
	Jun - Aug 2004	38	25.6	32.6	15.6	8.4
	<i>Change on year</i>	0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3	-1.5
<i>Change %</i>	0	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6	-15.0	

* 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.

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	2003	IBWA	IBWC			IBWB	IBWD
	September	110.4	3.2	27.0	28.2	108.9	3.2
	October	109.5	3.2	26.6	27.7	104.0	3.0
	November#	107.7	3.1	26.1	27.5	101.9	3.0
	December	105.9	3.1	26.2	27.5	103.2	3.0
	2004						
	January	103.2	3.0	25.4	26.5	112.0	3.3
	February#	103.2	3.0	26.1	26.4	112.8	3.3
	March	102.6	3.0	25.9	26.5	109.5	3.2
	April	101.3	2.9	25.0	26.2	106.3	3.1
	May#	99.9	2.9	25.3	26.8	101.6	2.9
	June	98.4	2.9	24.9	26.9	98.0	2.8
	July	96.9	2.8	23.8	25.5	97.8	2.8
	August# (r)	97.0	2.8	24.4	24.7	98.9	2.9
	September (p)	97.1	2.8	24.4	24.8	96.0	2.8
	<i>Change on mth</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>-2.9</i>	<i>-0.1</i>
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>0.1</i>		<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>-2.9</i>	
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>-13.3</i>	<i>-0.4</i>	<i>-2.6</i>	<i>-3.4</i>	<i>-12.9</i>	<i>-0.4</i>
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>-12.0</i>		<i>-9.6</i>	<i>-12.1</i>	<i>-11.8</i>	
	Men	2003	ZMPU	ZMPV			
September		85.1	4.6	19.7	20.7	82.4	4.5
October		84.5	4.6	19.4	20.3	79.3	4.3
November#		83.0	4.5	19.1	20.2	78.3	4.2
December		81.4	4.4	19.2	20.2	79.8	4.3
2004							
January		79.5	4.3	18.7	19.3	86.6	4.7
February#		79.0	4.3	19.0	19.6	86.6	4.7
March		78.4	4.2	18.9	19.5	83.8	4.5
April		77.4	4.2	18.1	19.2	81.1	4.4
May#		76.1	4.1	18.3	19.8	77.6	4.2
June		75.2	4.1	18.2	19.7	74.8	4.0
July		74.2	4.0	17.5	18.6	73.8	4.0
August# (r)		74.3	4.0	17.9	18.1	73.9	4.0
September (p)		74.3	4.0	17.9	18.3	71.8	3.9
<i>Change on mth</i>		<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>-2.2</i>	<i>-0.1</i>
<i>Change %</i>		<i>0.0</i>		<i>0.0</i>	<i>1.1</i>	<i>-2.9</i>	
<i>Change on year</i>		<i>-10.8</i>	<i>-0.6</i>	<i>-1.8</i>	<i>-2.4</i>	<i>-10.7</i>	<i>-0.6</i>
<i>Change %</i>		<i>-12.7</i>		<i>-9.1</i>	<i>-11.6</i>	<i>-12.9</i>	
Women		2003	ZMPW	ZMPX			
	September	25.3	1.6	7.3	7.5	26.5	1.7
	October	25.0	1.6	7.2	7.4	24.8	1.6
	November#	24.7	1.5	7.0	7.3	23.6	1.5
	December	24.5	1.5	7.0	7.3	23.4	1.5
	2004						
	January	23.7	1.5	6.7	7.2	25.4	1.6
	February#	24.2	1.5	7.1	6.8	26.2	1.6
	March	24.2	1.5	7.0	7.0	25.7	1.6
	April	23.9	1.5	6.9	7.0	25.2	1.6
	May#	23.8	1.5	7.0	7.0	24.0	1.5
	June	23.2	1.5	6.7	7.2	23.2	1.5
	July	22.7	1.4	6.3	6.9	24.0	1.5
	August# (r)	22.7	1.4	6.5	6.6	25.0	1.6
	September (p)	22.8	1.4	6.5	6.5	24.3	1.5
	<i>Change on mth</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>-0.1</i>	<i>-0.7</i>	<i>0.0</i>
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>0.4</i>		<i>0.0</i>	<i>-1.5</i>	<i>-3.0</i>	
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>-2.5</i>	<i>-0.2</i>	<i>-0.8</i>	<i>-1.0</i>	<i>-2.3</i>	<i>-0.1</i>
	<i>Change %</i>	<i>-9.9</i>		<i>-11.0</i>	<i>-13.3</i>	<i>-8.5</i>	

* 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 Tables 17 and 18. See background note 5.

The claimant count inflows, standardised to a 4.33 week month but not seasonally adjusted, for September 2004 were 27,713 in total, 19,593 for men and 8,120 for women. The corresponding outflow figures were 17,549 men and 7,396 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

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

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

	All ages							18-24					
	All	All computerised claims	Over 6		% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months		All	Up to 6 months	Over 6		% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months
			Up to 6 months	and up to 12 months						and up to 12 months	and up to 12 months		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
People													
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
Sep 03	108.9	107.9	72.1	19.3	16.5	15.3	5.6	33.7	27.7	5.1	0.9	2.6	0.1
Oct 03	104.0	103.1	68.8	18.2	16.1	15.6	5.4	31.3	25.9	4.6	0.8	2.6	0.1
Nov 03 #	101.9	100.9	68.1	17.0	15.8	15.7	5.3	29.9	25.1	4.1	0.8	2.6	0.1
Dec 03	103.2	102.3	69.9	16.7	15.8	15.4	5.2	30.2	25.5	3.9	0.8	2.5	0.1
Jan 04	112.0	111.0	76.9	18.0	16.2	14.6	5.2	33.2	28.0	4.5	0.8	2.4	0.1
Feb 04 #	112.8	111.8	78.3	17.5	16.1	14.4	5.0	34.8	29.5	4.5	0.8	2.4	0.1
Mar 04	109.5	108.6	75.2	17.6	15.8	14.5	4.9	33.6	28.1	4.7	0.8	2.5	0.1
Apr 04	106.3	105.5	72.2	17.9	15.4	14.6	4.8	32.3	26.6	4.9	0.8	2.5	0.1
May 04 #	101.6	100.8	67.7	18.1	15.0	14.9	4.8	30.5	24.8	4.9	0.8	2.6	0.1
Jun 04	98.0	97.1	64.6	17.7	14.7	15.2	4.7	29.0	23.5	4.8	0.8	2.6	0.1
Jul 04	97.8	97.0	66.0	16.6	14.3	14.8	4.7	30.2	25.0	4.4	0.8	2.5	0.1
Aug 04 #	98.9	98.0	67.5	16.7	13.9	14.2	4.6	31.5	26.2	4.6	0.7	2.3	0.1
Sep 04	96.0	95.2	65.7	15.9	13.6	14.3	4.5	30.4	25.5	4.2	0.8	2.5	0.1
Change on year	-12.9	-12.8	-6.4	-3.4	-2.9	-1.0	-1.0	-3.3	-2.3	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
Change %	-11.8	-11.8	-8.9	-17.7	-17.8		-18.7	-9.6	-8.1	-17.2	-13.8		-17.1
Men													
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
Sep 03	82.4	81.7	52.6	15.3	13.8	16.9	4.7	23.4	19.0	3.7	0.6	2.5	0.1
Oct 03	79.3	78.5	50.7	14.4	13.5	17.2	4.6	21.8	18.0	3.3	0.6	2.6	0.1
Nov 03 #	78.3	77.5	50.9	13.4	13.2	17.1	4.5	21.1	17.6	2.9	0.5	2.5	0.1
Dec 03	79.8	79.1	52.7	13.2	13.2	16.7	4.4	21.5	18.1	2.9	0.5	2.4	0.1
Jan 04	86.6	85.9	58.1	14.3	13.5	15.7	4.4	23.8	19.9	3.2	0.6	2.4	0.1
Feb 04 #	86.6	85.9	58.7	13.8	13.4	15.6	4.2	24.7	20.9	3.2	0.6	2.4	0.1
Mar 04	83.8	83.2	56.2	13.9	13.1	15.7	4.2	23.8	19.9	3.4	0.6	2.4	0.1
Apr 04	81.1	80.5	53.8	14.0	12.7	15.8	4.0	22.8	18.8	3.5	0.6	2.5	0.1
May 04 #	77.6	77.0	50.4	14.2	12.5	16.2	4.0	21.5	17.5	3.4	0.6	2.6	0.1
Jun 04	74.8	74.1	47.9	13.9	12.2	16.5	4.0	20.4	16.5	3.4	0.5	2.6	0.1
Jul 04	73.8	73.2	48.3	13.0	11.9	16.2	3.9	20.7	17.1	3.1	0.5	2.5	0.1
Aug 04 #	73.9	73.3	48.8	12.9	11.5	15.7	3.8	21.5	17.8	3.2	0.5	2.3	0.1
Sep 04	71.8	71.1	47.6	12.3	11.2	15.7	3.8	20.8	17.3	3.0	0.5	2.5	0.1
Change on year	-10.7	-10.5	-4.9	-3.0	-2.6	-1.2	-0.9	-2.6	-1.7	-0.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
Change %	-12.9	-12.9	-9.4	-19.5	-18.9		-19.9	-11.0	-9.1	-20.4	-12.8		-11.1
Women													
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
Sep 03	26.5	26.3	19.6	4.0	2.7	10.3	0.8	10.3	8.7	1.4	0.3	2.8	0.1
Oct 03	24.8	24.5	18.1	3.8	2.6	10.7	0.8	9.5	8.0	1.3	0.3	2.7	0.1
Nov 03 #	23.6	23.4	17.2	3.5	2.6	11.1	0.8	8.9	7.5	1.1	0.2	2.8	0.0
Dec 03	23.4	23.2	17.1	3.4	2.6	11.2	0.8	8.7	7.4	1.0	0.2	2.8	0.0
Jan 04	25.4	25.1	18.7	3.7	2.7	10.7	0.8	9.5	8.0	1.2	0.2	2.6	0.0
Feb 04 #	26.2	25.9	19.6	3.6	2.7	10.3	0.8	10.1	8.6	1.2	0.2	2.4	0.0
Mar 04	25.7	25.4	19.0	3.8	2.7	10.6	0.8	9.8	8.2	1.3	0.2	2.5	0.1
Apr 04	25.2	24.9	18.4	3.9	2.6	10.6	0.8	9.5	7.8	1.4	0.2	2.5	0.1
May 04 #	24.0	23.8	17.3	3.9	2.6	10.8	0.7	9.0	7.3	1.4	0.2	2.7	0.0
Jun 04	23.2	23.0	16.7	3.8	2.5	10.8	0.7	8.6	7.0	1.4	0.2	2.6	0.0
Jul 04	24.0	23.8	17.7	3.6	2.5	10.3	0.7	9.4	7.9	1.3	0.2	2.5	0.0
Aug 04 #	25.0	24.8	18.6	3.7	2.4	9.7	0.7	10.0	8.4	1.4	0.2	2.3	0.0
Sep 04	24.3	24.0	18.1	3.6	2.4	9.9	0.7	9.7	8.2	1.3	0.2	2.6	0.0
Change on year	-2.3	-2.3	-1.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.7	-0.5	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.0
Change %	-8.5	-8.6	-7.6	-11.1	-12.1		-12.4	-6.7	-6.0	-8.7	-16.0		-25.5

* 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.

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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	All over 12 months	% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Up to 6 months	Over 6	All over 12 months	% claiming for over 12 months	All over 24 months
			and up to 12 months						and up to 12 months			
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
People												
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
Sep 03	56.8	34.8	11.3	10.7	18.8	2.7	16.0	8.3	2.7	4.9	30.9	2.7
Oct 03	54.8	33.5	10.9	10.4	19.0	2.6	15.6	8.0	2.6	4.9	31.4	2.6
Nov 03 #	54.0	33.5	10.3	10.2	18.8	2.5	15.6	8.3	2.5	4.9	31.3	2.6
Dec 03	55.0	34.6	10.3	10.2	18.5	2.4	15.7	8.5	2.4	4.8	30.8	2.6
Jan 04	59.3	38.0	10.8	10.4	17.6	2.4	17.0	9.5	2.6	4.9	28.9	2.6
Feb 04 #	58.4	37.7	10.4	10.3	17.7	2.3	16.6	9.3	2.5	4.9	29.3	2.6
Mar 04	56.8	36.4	10.4	10.1	17.8	2.3	16.2	8.9	2.5	4.8	29.7	2.5
Apr 04	55.4	35.2	10.4	9.7	17.6	2.2	16.1	8.8	2.5	4.8	29.9	2.5
May 04 #	53.2	33.1	10.5	9.6	18.0	2.1	15.4	8.2	2.6	4.7	30.4	2.5
Jun 04	51.6	31.8	10.4	9.4	18.2	2.1	14.9	7.8	2.5	4.6	30.6	2.5
Jul 04	50.8	31.9	9.8	9.1	18.0	2.1	14.5	7.7	2.4	4.4	30.6	2.4
Aug 04 #	50.5	32.1	9.6	8.8	17.4	2.1	14.5	7.9	2.3	4.3	29.9	2.4
Sep 04	49.3	31.4	9.3	8.5	17.4	2.0	14.2	7.7	2.2	4.3	30.0	2.4
<i>Change on year</i>	-7.5	-3.4	-2.0	-2.1	-1.4	-0.7	-1.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-0.3
<i>Change %</i>	-13.2	-9.7	-17.8	-19.9		-25.5	-11.2	-6.9	-19.3	-13.9		-11.9
Men												
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
Sep 03	45.5	26.9	9.4	9.2	20.1	2.4	12.0	5.9	2.1	4.0	33.7	2.3
Oct 03	44.1	26.2	9.0	8.9	20.2	2.3	11.8	5.8	2.0	4.0	33.8	2.2
Nov 03 #	43.8	26.5	8.5	8.7	19.9	2.2	12.0	6.1	1.9	4.0	33.4	2.2
Dec 03	44.8	27.6	8.5	8.7	19.4	2.1	12.1	6.3	1.9	4.0	32.8	2.2
Jan 04	48.3	30.3	9.0	8.9	18.4	2.1	13.0	7.1	2.0	4.0	30.7	2.2
Feb 04 #	47.4	29.9	8.7	8.8	18.6	2.0	12.7	6.9	1.9	4.0	31.2	2.2
Mar 04	46.0	28.8	8.6	8.6	18.7	1.9	12.4	6.6	1.9	3.9	31.5	2.1
Apr 04	44.6	27.7	8.6	8.3	18.5	1.8	12.2	6.4	1.9	3.9	31.9	2.1
May 04 #	42.9	26.1	8.7	8.1	18.9	1.8	11.7	5.9	2.0	3.8	32.6	2.1
Jun 04	41.6	25.0	8.6	8.0	19.2	1.8	11.3	5.6	1.9	3.7	32.9	2.1
Jul 04	40.8	25.0	8.0	7.8	19.0	1.8	10.9	5.5	1.8	3.6	33.0	2.0
Aug 04 #	40.2	24.8	7.9	7.5	18.6	1.8	10.8	5.6	1.7	3.5	32.4	2.0
Sep 04	39.2	24.3	7.6	7.2	18.5	1.7	10.5	5.4	1.7	3.5	32.7	2.0
<i>Change on year</i>	-6.3	-2.6	-1.8	-1.9	-1.7	-0.7	-1.5	-0.5	-0.4	-0.6	-1.0	-0.3
<i>Change %</i>	-13.9	-9.6	-19.2	-21.1		-27.3	-12.1	-7.7	-19.5	-14.8		-12.2
Women												
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
Sep 03	11.3	7.8	1.9	1.5	13.4	0.4	4.0	2.4	0.7	0.9	22.5	0.4
Oct 03	10.6	7.3	1.9	1.5	13.9	0.4	3.7	2.2	0.6	0.9	23.8	0.4
Nov 03 #	10.2	7.0	1.8	1.5	14.3	0.3	3.6	2.2	0.6	0.9	24.4	0.4
Dec 03	10.2	6.9	1.8	1.5	14.4	0.3	3.7	2.2	0.6	0.9	24.2	0.4
Jan 04	11.0	7.7	1.8	1.5	14.0	0.3	3.9	2.4	0.6	0.9	23.0	0.4
Feb 04 #	11.0	7.8	1.7	1.5	13.8	0.3	3.9	2.4	0.6	0.9	23.4	0.4
Mar 04	10.9	7.6	1.8	1.5	14.0	0.3	3.8	2.3	0.6	0.9	23.7	0.4
Apr 04	10.8	7.5	1.8	1.5	13.8	0.3	3.9	2.4	0.6	0.9	23.7	0.4
May 04 #	10.3	7.0	1.8	1.5	14.2	0.3	3.7	2.2	0.6	0.9	23.5	0.4
Jun 04	10.0	6.8	1.8	1.4	14.0	0.3	3.6	2.2	0.6	0.9	23.6	0.4
Jul 04	10.0	6.9	1.7	1.4	13.7	0.3	3.6	2.2	0.6	0.9	23.5	0.4
Aug 04 #	10.3	7.3	1.7	1.3	12.9	0.3	3.7	2.3	0.6	0.8	22.4	0.4
Sep 04	10.1	7.1	1.7	1.3	13.1	0.3	3.6	2.3	0.5	0.8	22.1	0.4
<i>Change on year</i>	-1.2	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	-10.6	-10.0	-11.2	-12.7		-13.2	-8.4	-5.0	-18.6	-9.9		-10.1

* 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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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	Jun - Aug 2001	3,217	3,135	105	421	750	1,192	667	82
	Jun - Aug 2002	3,224	3,147	92	440	733	1,211	671	77
	Jun - Aug 2003	3,303	3,216	93	450	719	1,215	738	87
	Sep - Nov 2003	3,317	3,220	98	451	717	1,237	717	97
	Dec - Feb 2004	3,318	3,223	92	454	715	1,240	723	95
	Mar - May 2004	3,279	3,187	86	444	707	1,233	716	92
	Jun - Aug 2004	3,308	3,211	101	464	711	1,229	705	97
	<i>Change on year</i>	5	-5	8	14	-8	14	-33	10
<i>Change %</i>	0.1	-0.2	8.6	3.0	-1.1	1.2	-4.5	11.5	
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	1,754	1,727	56	229	413	624	405	27
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,739	1,718	42	231	398	646	401	22
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,784	1,757	53	234	390	650	431	27
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,778	1,746	48	240	382	651	426	31
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,775	1,748	45	246	378	654	425	26
	Mar - May 2004	1,748	1,723	46	228	373	654	422	25
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,765	1,737	51	236	375	656	419	28
	<i>Change on year</i>	-19	-20	-2	2	-14	6	-12	1
<i>Change %</i>	-1.1	-1.1	-2.9	0.9	-3.7	0.9	-2.8	4.2	
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	1,463	1,407	49	192	337	568	262	56
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,484	1,429	51	209	335	565	271	55
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,519	1,458	40	217	329	565	307	60
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,539	1,473	50	212	335	585	292	66
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,543	1,475	47	208	337	586	297	69
	Mar - May 2004	1,531	1,465	40	216	335	580	294	67
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,543	1,473	50	228	336	573	286	69
	<i>Change on year</i>	24	15	10	12	7	8	-21	9
<i>Change %</i>	1.6	1.0	23.7	5.4	2.1	1.5	-6.9	14.8	
Economic activity rates (%)*									
People	Jun - Aug 2001	60.8	76.6	58.4	76.0	82.1	83.8	65.3	6.8
	Jun - Aug 2002	60.6	76.5	50.2	76.9	82.8	84.0	65.1	6.4
	Jun - Aug 2003	61.7	77.7	50.7	75.7	83.3	83.3	71.1	7.2
	Sep - Nov 2003	61.8	77.6	52.9	75.3	83.4	84.5	69.0	8.0
	Dec - Feb 2004	61.7	77.6	49.5	75.1	83.5	84.5	69.4	7.8
	Mar - May 2004	60.9	76.6	46.4	72.9	83.0	83.8	68.7	7.5
	Jun - Aug 2004	61.3	77.0	54.3	75.7	83.9	83.2	67.5	7.9
	<i>Change on year</i>	-0.4	-0.7	3.6	0.0	0.6	-0.1	-3.6	0.8
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	69.0	82.0	61.4	84.0	92.1	89.1	68.4	6.1
	Jun - Aug 2002	68.0	81.1	44.6	81.7	91.8	91.0	67.1	5.0
	Jun - Aug 2003	69.2	82.5	56.4	79.1	92.1	90.6	71.8	6.0
	Sep - Nov 2003	68.8	81.8	50.8	80.6	90.7	90.5	70.7	7.0
	Dec - Feb 2004	68.6	81.7	47.5	82.0	90.2	90.5	70.5	5.9
	Mar - May 2004	67.4	80.4	48.5	75.4	89.3	90.3	69.9	5.6
	Jun - Aug 2004	67.9	80.9	53.9	77.3	90.3	90.3	69.3	6.2
	<i>Change on year</i>	-1.3	-1.6	-2.5	-1.8	-1.8	-0.3	-2.5	0.2
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	53.1	70.8	55.3	68.2	72.4	78.6	60.9	7.2
	Jun - Aug 2002	53.7	71.6	56.1	72.2	74.1	77.2	62.2	7.2
	Jun - Aug 2003	54.7	72.6	44.8	72.2	74.8	76.2	70.2	7.8
	Sep - Nov 2003	55.3	73.2	55.0	70.1	76.3	78.7	66.6	8.6
	Dec - Feb 2004	55.4	73.2	51.6	68.4	77.1	78.6	67.8	8.9
	Mar - May 2004	54.9	72.5	44.2	70.5	77.0	77.5	67.0	8.6
	Jun - Aug 2004	55.2	72.9	54.7	74.1	77.7	76.4	65.0	8.9
	<i>Change on year</i>	0.5	0.3	9.9	1.8	2.9	0.2	-5.2	1.1

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

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

North West

10 Economic inactivity 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 inactive									
People	Jun - Aug 2001	2,078	957	75	133	164	231	355	1,120
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,097	967	91	132	152	231	360	1,130
	Jun - Aug 2003	2,052	924	91	145	145	244	300	1,128
	Sep - Nov 2003	2,048	928	87	148	143	227	323	1,120
	Dec - Feb 2004	2,056	932	94	150	141	228	319	1,124
	Mar - May 2004	2,105	975	100	165	145	239	327	1,130
	Jun - Aug 2004	2,086	959	85	149	137	248	340	1,127
	<i>Change on year</i>	34	35	-5	4	-8	4	40	0
<i>Change %</i>	1.7	3.7	-6.0	3.0	-5.3	1.5	13.2	0.0	
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	786	378	35	44	36	77	187	408
	Jun - Aug 2002	817	399	52	52	36	64	196	418
	Jun - Aug 2003	792	373	41	62	33	68	170	419
	Sep - Nov 2003	805	388	46	58	39	68	177	417
	Dec - Feb 2004	813	391	50	54	41	68	178	423
	Mar - May 2004	846	420	49	74	45	70	182	425
	Jun - Aug 2004	834	410	44	69	40	70	186	424
	<i>Change on year</i>	42	37	3	8	7	3	16	5
<i>Change %</i>	5.2	9.9	7.4	12.4	20.9	4.1	9.7	1.1	
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	1,291	579	39	89	128	154	168	712
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,279	568	40	81	117	167	164	711
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,259	551	50	83	111	176	131	708
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,243	539	41	90	104	158	146	703
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,243	541	44	96	100	160	141	702
	Mar - May 2004	1,259	554	51	90	100	169	145	705
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,252	549	41	80	96	177	154	703
	<i>Change on year</i>	-7	-2	-8	-3	-15	1	23	-5
<i>Change %</i>	-0.6	-0.4	-17.0	-4.1	-13.2	0.6	17.8	-0.7	

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

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	Jun - Aug 2001	2,078	957	708	249	222	63	159	85	70	24	43
	Jun - Aug 2002	2,097	967	716	251	224	66	158	82	73	26	43
	Jun - Aug 2003	2,052	924	692	232	207	65	141	82	63	22	39
	Sep - Nov 2003	2,048	928	712	216	200	65	135	79	54	21	46
	Dec - Feb 2004	2,056	932	731	201	184	59	125	74	50	22	38
	Mar - May 2004	2,105	975	762	213	186	54	131	75	51	17	42
	Jun - Aug 2004	2,086	959	727	232	206	63	144	85	44	23	53
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>-1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>-19</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Change %</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>3.7</i>	<i>5.1</i>	<i>-0.3</i>	<i>-0.2</i>	<i>-4.2</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>3.4</i>	<i>-29.5</i>	<i>3.8</i>	<i>36.1</i>	
Men	Jun - Aug 2001	786	378	274	104	92	26	66	50	10	*	23
	Jun - Aug 2002	817	399	297	102	88	29	59	46	*	12	23
	Jun - Aug 2003	792	373	272	101	88	30	58	49	*	14	20
	Sep - Nov 2003	805	388	291	97	90	29	61	45	*	13	23
	Dec - Feb 2004	813	391	296	95	86	28	58	47	*	12	20
	Mar - May 2004	846	420	322	98	83	28	55	41	11	*	22
	Jun - Aug 2004	834	410	297	113	101	34	67	52	*	14	28
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Change %</i>	<i>5.2</i>	<i>9.9</i>	<i>9.1</i>	<i>11.9</i>	<i>13.9</i>	<i>12.5</i>	<i>14.7</i>	<i>6.3</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>43.9</i>	
Women	Jun - Aug 2001	1,291	579	434	145	130	37	93	36	60	15	19
	Jun - Aug 2002	1,279	568	419	149	136	37	99	35	67	14	21
	Jun - Aug 2003	1,259	551	419	132	118	35	83	33	57	*	20
	Sep - Nov 2003	1,243	539	421	119	110	37	74	34	46	*	24
	Dec - Feb 2004	1,243	541	435	106	98	30	68	27	42	10	19
	Mar - May 2004	1,259	554	440	114	102	26	76	34	40	*	20
	Jun - Aug 2004	1,252	549	430	119	106	29	77	33	38	10	25
	<i>Change on year</i>	<i>-7</i>	<i>-2</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>-13</i>	<i>-13</i>	<i>-6</i>	<i>-6</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-19</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Change %</i>	<i>-0.6</i>	<i>-0.4</i>	<i>2.5</i>	<i>-9.6</i>	<i>-10.7</i>	<i>-18.4</i>	<i>-7.4</i>	<i>-1.0</i>	<i>-32.8</i>	<i>9.8</i>	<i>28.2</i>	

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

VACANCIES

North West

12 Jobcentre vacancies

(thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Vacancies Notified		Vacancies unfilled		Vacancy outflow		Of which: Vacancies filled by Jobcentres	
	Level	Change on month	Level	Change on month	Level	Change on month	Level	Change on month
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2002	IBWG		IBWE		IBWH		IBWI	
September #								
2003								
September								
October								
November #								
December								
2004								
January								
February #								
March								
April								
May #								
June								
July								
August #								
September								
<i>Change on year</i>								
<i>Change on year %</i>								

Publication of these vacancy statistics has been deferred.

Figures from May 2001 are affected by the introduction of Employer Direct - see note on page 7

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system
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LOCAL AREA DATA

North West

13 2002 local labour market indicators by Unitary and Local Authority

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	36,567	26,683	74.0	1,494	5.1	7,899	21.9	958,759	2.6	30,214	0.83
Regional total	4,134	2,913	71.4	171	5.4	994	24.4	119,879	2.9	3,331	0.81
Blackburn with Darwen UA	83	55	67.4	3	5.0	24	29.0	2,593	3.1	69	0.83
Blackpool UA	83	58	71.7	4	6.4	19	23.2	2,910	3.5	71	0.85
Halton UA	74	49	66.7	4	7.2	21	28.0	2,983	4.0	55	0.74
Warrington UA	120	88	74.6	4	3.8	27	22.5	2,377	2.0	125	1.05
Cheshire	411	317	77.6	15	4.5	76	18.6	6,593	1.6	349	0.85
Chester	73	52	73.1	*	*	18	24.5	1,126	1.5	78	1.07
Congleton	57	45	79.4	*	*	10	17.2	843	1.5	36	0.64
Crewe and Nantwich	68	54	78.9	*	*	11	16.7	1,243	1.8	56	0.83
Ellesmere Port and Neston	49	39	79.3	*	*	9	17.8	910	1.9	36	0.74
Macclesfield	90	73	82.1	*	*	12	13.2	1,030	1.1	89	0.99
Vale Royal	75	55	72.8	*	*	17	22.9	1,441	1.9	53	0.70
Cumbria	293	207	71.6	11	4.8	71	24.7	7,058	2.4	231	0.79
Allerdale	56	37	67.0	*	*	15	27.4	1,686	3.0	36	0.65
Barrow-in-Furness	43	28	65.0	*	*	14	31.6	1,295	3.0	27	0.63
Carlisle	62	41	67.1	*	*	17	27.8	1,532	2.5	57	0.92
Copeland	42	28	68.4	*	*	11	25.3	1,667	4.0	31	0.74
Eden	30	25	84.7	*	*	*	*	287	1.0	26	0.85
South Lakeland	60	48	80.8	*	*	11	18.5	592	1.0	54	0.90
Bolton	160	116	72.8	6	4.8	38	23.5	4,417	2.8	117	0.73
Bury	111	82	73.9	4	4.7	25	22.3	2,002	1.8	67	0.60
Manchester	275	148	58.9	16	9.6	88	34.8	13,320	4.8	347	1.26
Oldham	132	96	73.5	7	6.5	28	21.4	3,942	3.0	88	0.66
Rochdale	126	86	69.1	6	6.1	33	26.3	3,901	3.1	84	0.67
Salford	133	93	71.2	7	6.6	31	23.7	3,717	2.8	121	0.91
Stockport	171	134	78.5	4	3.0	33	19.2	2,924	1.7	133	0.78
Tameside	131	98	75.3	4	3.9	28	21.5	3,159	2.4	79	0.60
Trafford	129	96	74.6	5	4.7	28	21.7	2,731	2.1	137	1.06
Wigan	189	141	74.7	7	4.6	41	21.7	4,581	2.4	112	0.59
Lancashire	690	511	74.8	21	3.9	151	22.1	13,939	2.0	545	0.79
Burnley	53	38	72.2	*	*	14	25.6	1,168	2.2	41	0.77
Chorley	64	50	79.0	*	*	13	20.1	997	1.5	45	0.70
Fylde	42	31	74.1	*	*	10	23.0	492	1.2	40	0.94
Hyndburn	49	35	71.3	*	*	12	24.3	956	2.0	32	0.66
Lancaster	82	58	72.1	*	*	19	23.1	2,227	2.7	61	0.75
Pendle	54	38	69.6	*	*	15	28.1	1,178	2.2	38	0.70
Preston	82	59	74.2	*	*	16	20.4	2,339	2.9	100	1.22
Ribbles Valley	33	27	81.7	*	*	6	17.0	216	0.7	31	0.93
Rossendale	40	31	76.2	*	*	9	22.6	701	1.7	26	0.64
South Ribble	64	51	79.6	*	*	11	17.6	807	1.3	47	0.73
West Lancashire	66	50	74.8	*	*	14	21.5	1,863	2.8	49	0.73
Wyre	60	45	74.9	*	*	13	22.3	995	1.7	38	0.63
Knowsley	91	54	60.0	6	9.8	30	33.3	4,623	5.1	60	0.66

13 2002 local labour market indicators by Unitary and Local Authority

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
Liverpool	279	162	59.7	18	9.9	91	33.6	15,850	5.7	237	0.85
St. Helens	107	75	69.6	4	4.7	29	26.9	3,703	3.4	72	0.67
Sefton	163	119	73.4	7	5.3	36	22.4	5,622	3.4	118	0.72
Wirral	182	126	69.2	9	6.2	47	26.1	6,937	3.8	113	0.62

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

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

+ Official mid-2002 estimate of the resident population.

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++ LFS data relate to the period March 2002 to February 2003. LFS sample covers working age (16-59/64) population living in private households, student halls of residence and NHS

accommodation. The LFS data in this table are consistent with population estimates released in February 2003, not the latest revised population estimates - see note on page 7.

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

Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance. Average for January 2002 to December 2002.

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 background note 5.

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

* Sample size too small for reliable estimate.

** Jobs data are for 2002, and are mainly employees from the Annual Business Inquiry which refers to December of each year; they also include self-employed, HM Forces and government-supported trainees. Jobs densities are calculated as the number of jobs per resident of working age (16-59/64).

LOCAL AREA DATA

North West

14 2002 local labour market indicators by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	Population+		Labour supply					Working age benefits		Labour demand###		
	16-59/64 (000s)	Total 16-59/64 (000s)	Employment++		Unemployment++		Economic inactivity++		Claimant count#		Jobs**	
			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)	
												3
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
United Kingdom total	36,567	26,683	74.0	1,494	5.1	7,899	21.9	958,759	2.6	30,214	0.83	
Regional total	4,134	2,913	71.4	171	5.4	994	24.4	119,879	2.9	3,331	0.81	
Altrincham & Sale West	..	45	75.1	2	3.5	13	22.2	827	1.5	45	0.82	
Ashton under Lyne	..	44	74.6	*	*	12	20.9	1,648	2.8	39	0.66	
Barrow & Furness	..	34	66.6	*	*	16	30.6	1,514	2.9	34	0.65	
Birkenhead	..	27	63.7	*	*	12	29.1	2,744	6.0	39	0.86	
Blackburn	..	39	63.8	3	5.9	20	32.2	2,083	3.5	57	0.95	
Blackpool North & Fleetwood	..	40	70.1	2	4.5	15	26.5	1,493	2.8	38	0.71	
Blackpool South	..	40	71.7	3	7.2	12	22.6	2,101	3.7	50	0.89	
Bolton North East	..	36	67.8	*	*	15	28.7	1,688	3.2	37	0.69	
Bolton South East	..	34	71.4	*	*	11	23.8	1,879	3.5	51	0.94	
Bolton West	..	46	78.2	*	*	11	18.5	849	1.6	29	0.56	
Bootle	..	27	61.1	4	11.7	14	30.5	2,706	6.0	44	0.97	
Burnley	..	38	72.2	*	*	14	25.6	1,168	2.2	41	0.76	
Bury North	..	43	75.8	3	5.3	11	19.9	989	1.7	43	0.75	
Bury South	..	39	72.0	2	4.0	13	24.9	1,013	1.9	25	0.46	
Carlisle	..	31	69.8	*	*	11	25.3	1,315	2.8	48	1.05	
Cheadle	..	47	85.9	*	*	7	13.0	555	1.1	38	0.74	
Chester, City of	..	40	72.9	*	*	13	24.1	969	1.8	71	1.28	
Chorley	..	50	79.0	*	*	13	20.1	997	1.6	45	0.70	
Congleton	..	45	79.4	*	*	10	17.2	843	1.5	36	0.64	
Copeland	..	28	68.4	*	*	11	25.3	1,667	3.9	31	0.74	
Crewe & Nantwich	..	47	77.3	*	*	11	17.7	1,166	2.1	48	0.84	
Crosby	..	36	77.9	*	*	9	19.2	1,155	2.7	20	0.46	
Denton & Reddish	..	41	75.9	*	*	11	20.4	1,206	2.2	31	0.58	
Eccles	..	46	75.0	2	3.6	14	22.1	1,267	2.3	41	0.73	
Eddisbury	..	40	73.0	*	*	13	23.8	843	1.5	33	0.60	
Ellesmere Port & Neston	..	40	79.4	*	*	9	17.8	959	1.8	38	0.71	
Fylde	..	37	73.9	*	*	11	22.5	728	1.4	43	0.81	
Halton	..	33	64.8	3	8.5	15	29.1	1,930	3.8	32	0.64	
Hazel Grove	..	39	77.9	*	*	9	18.5	670	1.4	28	0.57	
Heywood & Middleton	..	42	71.5	2	4.5	15	25.0	1,640	2.8	37	0.61	
Hyndburn	..	40	71.4	*	*	14	24.8	1,066	2.0	38	0.69	
Knowsley North & Sefton East	..	33	61.7	3	8.1	17	32.9	2,346	4.1	38	0.68	
Knowsley South	..	40	64.9	3	7.9	18	29.4	2,788	4.7	34	0.58	
Lancaster & Wyre	..	43	75.6	*	*	12	20.7	932	1.5	51	0.82	
Leigh	..	43	74.3	*	*	12	21.2	1,449	2.5	34	0.59	
Liverpool, Garston	..	35	66.6	*	*	15	27.9	2,252	4.5	28	0.56	
Liverpool, Riverside	..	27	52.5	5	14.7	20	38.4	4,149	6.6	129	2.05	
Liverpool, Walton	..	28	57.0	4	12.0	17	35.1	3,328	6.3	37	0.71	
Liverpool, Wavertree	..	36	61.2	*	*	21	35.5	2,938	5.2	31	0.55	
Liverpool, West Derby	..	37	60.3	5	11.6	19	31.6	3,183	5.9	12	0.22	
Macclesfield	..	48	86.0	*	*	*	*	571	1.0	45	0.82	
Makerfield	..	45	69.9	*	*	17	25.8	1,202	2.2	26	0.46	
Manchester, Blackley	..	28	54.6	*	*	20	39.7	2,588	5.3	35	0.73	
Manchester, Central	..	30	51.9	4	12.3	24	40.8	4,193	7.1	215	3.65	
Manchester, Gorton	..	25	56.8	*	*	16	35.8	3,099	5.4	20	0.34	
Manchester, Withington	..	39	71.3	*	*	13	24.3	1,847	3.0	30	0.48	
Morecambe & Lunesdale	..	39	72.9	*	*	12	22.4	1,592	3.1	30	0.58	
Oldham East & Saddleworth	..	49	77.0	*	*	13	20.0	1,540	2.4	32	0.51	
Oldham West & Royton	..	40	69.1	4	8.5	14	24.7	2,013	3.5	51	0.87	
Pendle	..	38	69.6	*	*	15	28.1	1,178	2.2	38	0.71	
Penrith & The Border	..	42	77.2	*	*	11	20.7	626	1.2	38	0.73	
Preston	..	40	69.2	*	*	14	24.6	2,056	3.3	92	1.50	
Ribble Valley	..	49	83.2	*	*	9	15.0	433	0.8	51	0.89	
Rochdale	..	37	65.9	4	8.4	16	27.9	2,137	3.6	45	0.76	
accommodation. The LFS data in this ta	..	42	77.7	*	*	11	20.6	1,101	1.9	33	0.58	
Salford	..	22	59.2	3	12.8	12	31.8	1,696	3.7	66	1.45	

14 2002 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**		
	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
South Ribble	..	55	82.4	*	*	10	15.8	759	1.3	35	0.60
Southport	..	38	79.2	*	*	9	18.1	1,251	2.4	42	0.83
St. Helens North	..	38	71.6	*	*	13	25.6	1,628	2.9	24	0.43
St. Helens South	..	37	67.6	2	5.7	15	28.2	2,076	4.0	48	0.93
Stalybridge & Hyde	..	40	75.9	*	*	11	21.6	1,294	2.4	28	0.52
Stockport	..	35	71.4	*	*	13	26.5	1,222	2.3	56	1.03
Stretford & Urmston	..	41	73.5	3	6.9	12	21.0	1,624	2.9	78	1.41
Tatton	..	36	74.6	*	*	10	20.3	643	1.4	52	1.09
Wallasey	..	30	64.2	*	*	15	31.2	2,157	4.3	28	0.56
Warrington North	..	43	73.4	*	*	13	22.7	1,346	2.2	56	0.93
Warrington South	..	45	75.7	*	*	13	22.2	1,031	1.7	70	1.17
Weaver Vale	..	39	75.0	2	3.7	11	22.1	1,653	3.0	49	0.90
West Lancashire	..	38	72.1	*	*	12	23.1	1,756	3.1	44	0.78
Westmorland & Lonsdale	..	41	82.0	*	*	9	17.2	372	0.7	47	0.93
Wigan	..	32	77.5	*	*	8	20.1	1,325	2.7	41	0.83
Wirral South	..	34	75.8	*	*	10	21.7	923	2.1	27	0.61
Wirral West	..	34	72.9	*	*	10	22.4	1,113	2.5	19	0.44
Workington	..	31	64.1	*	*	14	29.4	1,563	3.2	33	0.66
Worsley	..	46	80.1	*	*	9	16.1	1,359	2.4	24	0.43
Wythenshawe & Sale East	..	36	63.5	*	*	17	30.7	1,873	3.1	61	1.03

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15 2002 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**		
	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	36,567	26,683	74.0	1,494	5.1	7,899	21.9	958,759	2.6	30,214	0.83
Regional total	4,134	2,913	71.4	171	5.4	994	24.4	119,879	2.9	3,331	0.81
Appleby	..	7	86.5	*	*	*	*	62	0.8	6	0.68
Barrow-in-Furness	..	37	66.1	*	*	18	31.3	1,550	2.8	36	0.65
Blackburn	..	136	72.2	6	4.1	46	24.7	4,265	2.3	145	0.78
Blackpool	..	128	72.8	7	4.8	41	23.3	4,330	2.5	140	0.80
Bolton	..	125	72.1	7	5.2	41	23.8	4,939	2.8	126	0.72
Burnley	..	42	71.9	*	*	15	26.1	1,239	2.0	46	0.76
Carlisle	..	48	69.3	*	*	18	26.3	1,671	2.4	61	0.88
Crewe	..	124	76.5	7	5.0	31	19.2	2,899	1.8	120	0.76
Kendal	..	27	83.3	*	*	*	*	257	0.8	31	0.89
Keswick	..	*	*	*	*	*	*	40	0.7	5	0.89
Lancaster and Morecambe	..	63	73.2	*	*	19	22.4	2,286	2.5	68	0.75
Liverpool	..	382	65.1	34	7.9	171	29.2	27,975	4.7	454	0.77
Manchester	..	886	72.3	55	5.7	286	23.3	34,612	2.8	1,109	0.89
Nelson and Colne	..	36	70.9	*	*	13	26.7	1,129	2.3	37	0.75
Penrith	..	17	84.6	*	*	*	*	193	1.0	19	0.95
Preston	..	170	78.0	7	3.6	41	19.0	4,241	1.9	199	0.90
Rochdale	..	70	67.9	4	5.5	29	28.0	3,128	3.0	70	0.68
Warrington	..	145	72.1	8	4.8	49	24.2	5,517	2.7	188	0.92
Whitehaven	..	28	69.5	*	*	10	23.9	1,607	3.9	31	0.75
Wigan and St. Helens	..	186	71.6	9	4.5	65	25.0	7,396	2.8	177	0.67
Windermere	..	10	83.6	*	*	*	*	70	0.6	12	1.07
Wirral and Chester	..	216	71.8	12	5.0	73	24.3	8,974	2.9	227	0.75
Workington	..	27	61.8	*	*	14	32.2	1,568	3.6	28	0.63

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16 2002 local labour market indicators by NUTS 3 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	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	36,567	26,683	74.0	1,494	5.1	7,899	21.9	958,759	2.6	30,214	0.83	
Regional total	4,134	2,913	71.4	171	5.4	994	24.4	119,879	2.9	3,331	0.81	
Cumbria												
West Cumbria	141	93	66.8	7	7.0	39	28.1	4,648	3.3	95	0.67	
East Cumbria	152	114	76.0	*	*	32	21.5	2,410	1.6	136	0.90	
Cheshire												
Halton & Warrington	194	137	71.6	8	5.1	47	24.6	5,360	2.8	181	0.93	
Cheshire CC	411	317	77.6	15	4.5	76	18.6	6,593	1.6	349	0.85	
Greater Manchester												
Greater Manchester South	839	570	70.1	36	5.8	207	25.5	25,850	3.1	818	0.97	
Greater Manchester North	718	521	73.0	30	5.2	164	22.9	18,842	2.6	468	0.65	
Lancashire												
Blackburn with Darwen	83	55	67.4	3	5.0	24	29.0	2,593	3.1	69	0.83	
Blackpool	83	58	71.7	4	6.4	19	23.2	2,910	3.5	71	0.85	
Lancashire CC	690	511	74.8	21	3.9	151	22.1	13,939	2.0	545	0.79	
Merseyside												
East Merseyside	198	129	65.2	10	6.9	59	29.8	8,326	4.2	132	0.67	
Liverpool	279	162	59.7	18	9.9	91	33.6	15,850	5.7	237	0.85	
Sefton	163	119	73.4	7	5.3	36	22.4	5,622	3.4	118	0.72	
Wirral	182	126	69.2	9	6.2	47	26.1	6,937	3.8	113	0.62	

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North West

17 Claimant count* by Unitary and Local Authority

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 09 SEPTEMBER 2004						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	604,884	222,949	827,833	3.2	1.3	2.3	-74,356	-19,947	-94,303	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Regional total	71,763	24,259	96,022	3.4	1.2	2.3	-10,655	-2,250	-12,905	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Blackburn with Darwen UA	1,657	524	2,181	3.8	1.3	2.6	-121	-28	-149	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Blackpool UA	1,578	433	2,011	3.6	1.1	2.4	-167	-34	-201	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Halton UA	1,477	487	1,964	4.0	1.3	2.7	-307	-128	-435	-0.8	-0.3	-0.6
Warrington UA	1,289	469	1,758	2.1	0.8	1.5	-337	-112	-449	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4
Cheshire	3,562	1,421	4,983	1.7	0.7	1.2	-778	-224	-1,002	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Chester	634	268	902	1.7	0.7	1.2	-223	-52	-275	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
Congleton	373	148	521	1.3	0.5	0.9	-92	-54	-146	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3
Crewe and Nantwich	667	256	923	1.9	0.8	1.4	-77	-34	-111	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Ellesmere Port and Neston	563	206	769	2.2	0.9	1.6	-69	-19	-88	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Macclesfield	599	211	810	1.3	0.5	0.9	-195	-63	-258	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Vale Royal	726	332	1,058	1.9	0.9	1.4	-122	-2	-124	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Cumbria	3,881	1,300	5,181	2.5	0.9	1.8	-463	-180	-643	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Allerdale	803	276	1,079	2.7	1.0	1.9	-184	-47	-231	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4
Barrow-in-Furness	927	234	1,161	4.2	1.1	2.7	37	-28	9	0.2	-0.1	0.0
Carlisle	818	307	1,125	2.6	1.0	1.8	-145	-31	-176	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Copeland	884	279	1,163	3.9	1.4	2.8	-95	-32	-127	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Eden	126	51	177	0.8	0.4	0.6	-27	-27	-54	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
South Lakeland	323	153	476	1.0	0.5	0.8	-49	-15	-64	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Bolton	2,421	883	3,304	2.9	1.1	2.1	-667	-146	-813	-0.8	-0.2	-0.5
Bury	1,285	513	1,798	2.2	1.0	1.6	-207	-48	-255	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Manchester	8,163	2,643	10,806	5.8	2.0	3.9	-2,042	-369	-2,411	-1.4	-0.3	-0.9
Oldham	2,269	737	3,006	3.3	1.1	2.3	-314	-42	-356	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Rochdale	2,360	810	3,170	3.7	1.3	2.5	-404	-77	-481	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
Salford	2,625	805	3,430	3.7	1.3	2.6	-114	26	-88	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Stockport	1,748	620	2,368	2.0	0.7	1.4	-424	-141	-565	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3
Tameside	2,079	761	2,840	3.1	1.2	2.2	-167	-62	-229	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Trafford	1,629	582	2,211	2.5	0.9	1.7	-258	-16	-274	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Wigan	2,841	999	3,840	2.9	1.1	2.0	-377	-34	-411	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Lancashire	8,440	2,979	11,419	2.4	0.9	1.7	-925	-113	-1,038	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Burnley	726	236	962	2.7	0.9	1.8	-69	-22	-91	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Chorley	570	233	803	1.7	0.8	1.2	-31	-3	-34	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Fylde	276	94	370	1.2	0.5	0.9	-6	3	-3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hyndburn	642	207	849	2.5	0.9	1.7	-63	5	-58	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Lancaster	1,217	452	1,669	2.9	1.1	2.0	-296	-21	-317	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
Pendle	654	228	882	2.3	0.9	1.6	-142	-58	-200	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4
Preston	1,642	470	2,112	3.9	1.2	2.6	-98	4	-94	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Ribble Valley	128	68	196	0.7	0.4	0.6	-39	3	-36	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Rossendale	413	191	604	2.0	1.0	1.5	-20	17	-3	-0.1	0.1	0.0
South Ribble	518	195	713	1.6	0.6	1.1	4	16	20	0.0	0.1	0.0
West Lancashire	1,070	409	1,479	3.2	1.2	2.2	-168	-61	-229	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3
Wyre	584	196	780	1.9	0.7	1.3	3	4	7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Knowsley	2,590	810	3,400	5.7	1.8	3.7	-347	-109	-456	-0.8	-0.2	-0.5
Liverpool	10,679	3,377	14,056	7.6	2.4	5.0	-611	93	-518	-0.4	0.1	-0.2
St. Helens	1,984	756	2,740	3.6	1.4	2.5	-445	-64	-509	-0.8	-0.1	-0.5
Sefton	3,321	1,091	4,412	4.0	1.4	2.7	-549	-134	-683	-0.7	-0.2	-0.4
Wirral	3,885	1,259	5,144	4.3	1.4	2.8	-631	-308	-939	-0.7	-0.3	-0.5

* 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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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 background note 5.

LOCAL AREA DATA

North West

18 Claimant count* by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 09 SEPTEMBER 2004						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	604,884	222,949	827,833	3.2	1.3	2.3	-74,356	-19,947	-94,303	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Regional total	71,763	24,259	96,022	3.4	1.2	2.3	-10,655	-2,250	-12,905	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Altrincham & Sale West	504	194	698	1.8	0.7	1.3	-21	-14	-35	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Ashton under Lyne	999	326	1,325	3.3	1.1	2.2	-162	-33	-195	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Barrow & Furness	1,079	281	1,360	3.9	1.1	2.6	41	-29	12	0.1	-0.1	0.0
Birkenhead	1,654	496	2,150	7.4	2.1	4.7	-241	-86	-327	-1.1	-0.4	-0.7
Blackburn	1,342	411	1,753	4.3	1.4	2.9	-78	-15	-93	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Blackpool North & Fleetwood	878	269	1,147	3.2	1.1	2.2	2	25	27	0.0	0.1	0.1
Blackpool South	1,115	297	1,412	3.8	1.1	2.5	-146	-41	-187	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3
Bolton North East	954	327	1,281	3.5	1.3	2.4	-242	-63	-305	-0.9	-0.2	-0.6
Bolton South East	1,066	354	1,420	3.8	1.4	2.6	-257	-55	-312	-0.9	-0.2	-0.6
Bolton West	401	202	603	1.5	0.8	1.2	-168	-28	-196	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
Bootle	1,662	511	2,173	7.5	2.2	4.8	-217	-57	-274	-1.0	-0.2	-0.6
Burnley	726	236	962	2.7	0.9	1.8	-69	-22	-91	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Bury North	667	245	912	2.3	0.9	1.6	-123	-46	-169	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Bury South	618	268	886	2.2	1.0	1.6	-84	-2	-86	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Carlisle	717	248	965	3.0	1.1	2.1	-128	-31	-159	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Cheadle	293	123	416	1.1	0.5	0.8	-134	-49	-183	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4
Chester, City of	565	221	786	2.0	0.8	1.4	-195	-38	-233	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
Chorley	570	233	803	1.7	0.8	1.3	-31	-3	-34	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Congleton	373	148	521	1.3	0.5	0.9	-92	-54	-146	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3
Copeland	884	279	1,163	3.9	1.4	2.8	-95	-32	-127	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Crewe & Nantwich	629	236	865	2.1	0.9	1.5	-76	-31	-107	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Crosby	741	270	1,011	3.4	1.3	2.4	-140	-10	-150	-0.6	0.0	-0.4
Denton & Reddish	744	304	1,048	2.7	1.1	1.9	-103	-7	-110	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Eccles	912	262	1,174	3.1	1.0	2.1	-20	19	-1	-0.1	0.1	0.0
Eddisbury	374	213	587	1.3	0.8	1.1	-73	14	-59	-0.3	0.1	-0.1
Ellesmere Port & Neston	583	221	804	2.1	0.9	1.5	-74	-17	-91	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Fylde	417	146	563	1.5	0.6	1.1	-26	-10	-36	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Halton	945	298	1,243	3.7	1.2	2.5	-204	-95	-299	-0.8	-0.4	-0.6
Hazel Grove	410	147	557	1.6	0.6	1.1	-31	-17	-48	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Heywood & Middleton	811	333	1,144	2.6	1.2	1.9	-197	-26	-223	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
Hyndburn	739	230	969	2.6	0.9	1.8	-49	-1	-50	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Knowsley North & Sefton East	1,304	397	1,701	4.6	1.4	3.0	-160	-79	-239	-0.6	-0.3	-0.4
Knowsley South	1,578	505	2,083	5.3	1.7	3.5	-245	-71	-316	-0.8	-0.2	-0.5
Lancaster & Wyre	471	196	667	1.5	0.6	1.1	-138	4	-134	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Leigh	897	310	1,207	3.0	1.1	2.1	-97	-25	-122	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Liverpool, Garston	1,538	552	2,090	6.1	2.3	4.2	-29	61	32	-0.1	0.2	0.1
Liverpool, Riverside	2,962	922	3,884	9.4	3.0	6.2	-179	78	-101	-0.6	0.3	-0.2
Liverpool, Walton	2,091	640	2,731	7.7	2.5	5.2	-183	-3	-186	-0.7	0.0	-0.4
Liverpool, Wavertree	2,054	621	2,675	7.2	2.2	4.7	-113	-5	-118	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Liverpool, West Derby	2,034	642	2,676	7.5	2.4	4.9	-107	-38	-145	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Macclesfield	360	98	458	1.3	0.4	0.8	-114	-51	-165	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Makerfield	736	271	1,007	2.5	1.0	1.8	-112	-5	-117	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Manchester, Blackley	1,604	528	2,132	6.3	2.3	4.4	-338	-44	-382	-1.3	-0.2	-0.8
Manchester, Central	2,675	741	3,416	8.6	2.7	5.8	-508	-140	-648	-1.6	-0.5	-1.1
Manchester, Gorton	1,795	609	2,404	6.0	2.2	4.2	-631	-118	-749	-2.1	-0.4	-1.3
Manchester, Withington	1,142	412	1,554	3.6	1.4	2.5	-281	-91	-372	-0.9	-0.3	-0.6
Morecambe & Lunesdale	909	317	1,226	3.5	1.3	2.4	-170	-36	-206	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
Oldham East & Saddleworth	851	311	1,162	2.6	1.0	1.8	-165	-5	-170	-0.5	0.0	-0.3
Oldham West & Royton	1,215	373	1,588	4.0	1.3	2.7	-128	-33	-161	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Pendle	654	228	882	2.4	0.9	1.7	-142	-58	-200	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4
Penrith & The Border	285	128	413	1.0	0.5	0.8	-59	-48	-107	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
Preston	1,442	408	1,850	4.5	1.4	3.0	-80	37	-43	-0.3	0.1	-0.1
Ribble Valley	280	114	394	0.9	0.4	0.7	-53	-15	-68	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Rochdale	1,474	447	1,921	4.8	1.6	3.3	-189	-47	-236	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4
Rossendale & Darwen	631	281	912	2.1	1.0	1.6	-77	10	-67	-0.3	0.0	-0.1
Salford	1,254	357	1,611	5.1	1.7	3.5	-53	2	-51	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
South Ribble	492	187	679	1.6	0.7	1.2	-12	-2	-14	0.0	0.0	0.0
Southport	626	218	844	2.4	0.9	1.7	-134	-26	-160	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3

LOCAL AREA DATA

North West

18 Claimant count* by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 09 SEPTEMBER 2004						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
St. Helens North	877	337	1,214	3.0	1.2	2.2	-212	-35	-247	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
St. Helens South	1,107	419	1,526	4.2	1.7	3.0	-233	-29	-262	-0.9	-0.1	-0.5
Stalybridge & Hyde	896	323	1,219	3.3	1.2	2.3	-33	-41	-74	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1
Stockport	763	241	1,004	2.8	0.9	1.9	-167	-64	-231	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4
Stretford & Urmston	972	328	1,300	3.4	1.2	2.3	-207	12	-195	-0.7	0.0	-0.4
Tatton	348	147	495	1.4	0.6	1.0	-91	-27	-118	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Wallasey	1,148	369	1,517	4.6	1.5	3.0	-196	-89	-285	-0.8	-0.4	-0.6
Warrington North	704	259	963	2.3	0.9	1.6	-240	-42	-282	-0.8	-0.1	-0.5
Warrington South	585	210	795	1.9	0.7	1.3	-97	-70	-167	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3
Weaver Vale	862	326	1,188	3.1	1.2	2.2	-166	-53	-219	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4
West Lancashire	1,009	383	1,392	3.5	1.4	2.4	-144	-48	-192	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3
Westmorland & Lonsdale	171	106	277	0.6	0.4	0.5	-53	-14	-67	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Wigan	836	278	1,114	3.2	1.2	2.2	-112	-4	-116	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Wirral South	469	176	645	2.1	0.8	1.5	-117	-89	-206	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5
Wirral West	614	218	832	2.8	1.0	1.9	-77	-44	-121	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3
Workington	745	258	1,003	2.9	1.1	2.0	-169	-26	-195	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
Worsley	831	326	1,157	2.8	1.2	2.1	-97	5	-92	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Wythenshawe & Sale East	1,100	413	1,513	3.6	1.4	2.5	-314	10	-304	-1.0	0.0	-0.5

* 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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[#] Percentages of resident working age population of area. The population denominators are based on output area data from the 2001 Census. NB these percentages are different from the national and regional claimant count rates shown in Tables 1a, 7 and the summary of other headline indicators. See background note 5