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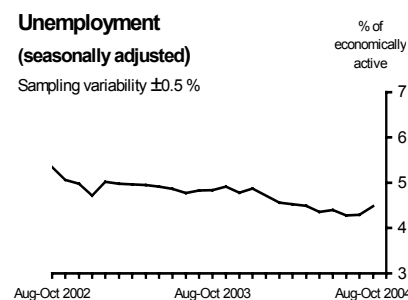
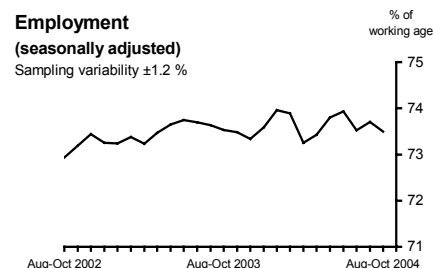
## Labour market statistics December 2004: North West

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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 unchanged from a year ago. The trend in the unemployment rate may be starting to level off, and the latest rate is not significantly different from a year ago.

Data for the three months to October 2004 show the seasonally adjusted employment rate at 73.5 per cent, unchanged on a year earlier. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.5 per cent, down 0.4 percentage points on a year earlier.

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



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		Level (thousands)	Rate (%)	Change on year (level)	Sampling variability (thousands)	Change on year (rate)	Sampling variability (%)
Employment*	Aug-Oct	3,162	73.5	23	$\pm 78$	0.0	$\pm 1.5$
Unemployment**	Aug-Oct	148	4.5	-11	$\pm 24$	-0.4	$\pm 0.7$
Economically active*	Aug-Oct	3,310	77.0	11	$\pm 77$	-0.3	$\pm 1.4$
Economically inactive+ of which:	Aug-Oct	959	23.0	21	$\pm 76$	0.3	$\pm 1.4$
Not wanting a job+	Aug-Oct	729		11	$\pm 69$		
Wanting a job+	Aug-Oct	230		10	$\pm 41$		
Civilian workforce jobs (not seasonally adjusted)	Jun 2004	3,366		35	..		
Claimant count	Nov 2004	97.3	2.8 <sup>++</sup>	-10.4		-0.3	

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:

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

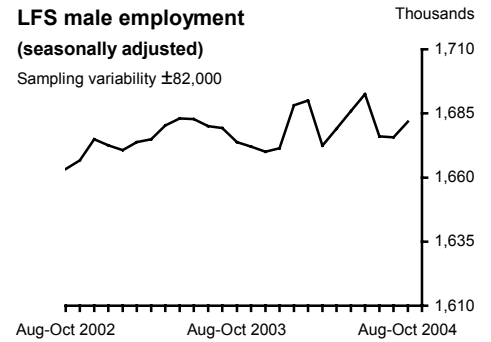
November 2004 data: claimant count.

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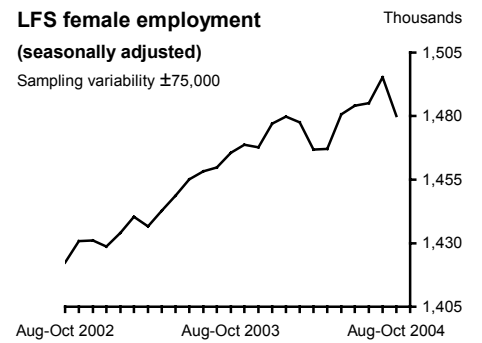


**Employment (tables 1 to 6)**

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



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



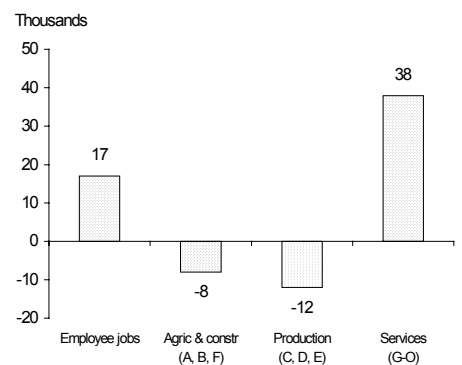
Not seasonally adjusted employee jobs were up 17,000 in the year to June 2004. This was mainly due to rises in the services and 'other' industries, partly offset by falls in construction and manufacturing industries.

**Unemployment (table 1)**

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the North West was 4.5 per cent in the August to October 2004 period, down 0.4 percentage points on the same period a year earlier. The rates for men and women in August to October 2004 were 4.9 per cent and 4.0 per cent respectively.

**Employee jobs by industry**

Change on year from June 2003



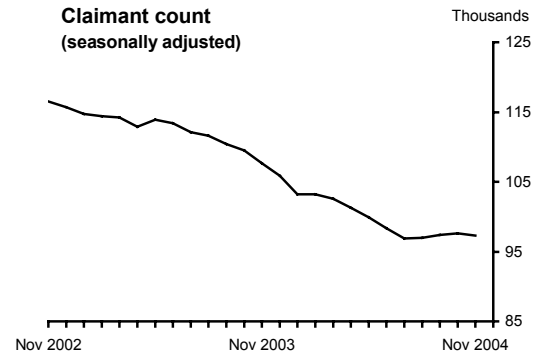
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**Claimant count (tables 7 and 8)**

The seasonally adjusted claimant count rate in November 2004 was 2.8 per cent, unchanged from October 2004, and down 0.3 percentage points since November 2003. The seasonally adjusted number of claimants in November 2004 was 97,300, down 300 on October 2004, and down 10,400 since November 2003. The not seasonally adjusted number of claimants was 91,600 in November 2004.



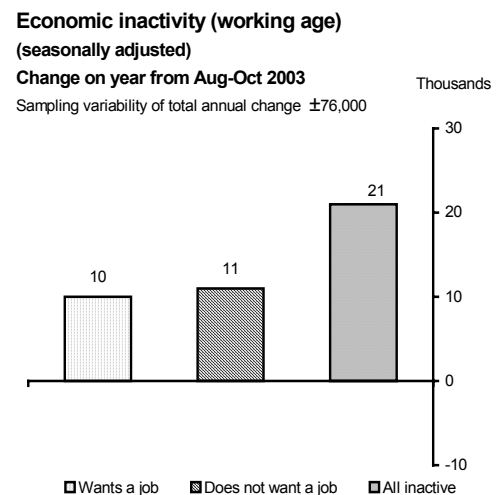
The not seasonally adjusted number of computerised claims of people aged 18 to 24 was 27,800 in November 2004, down 2,100 over the year. The number of computerised claims has fallen over the year for all age and duration groups.

**Economically active (tables 1 and 9)**

The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of economically active people in the North West was 3.31 million in the August to October 2004 period.

**Economically inactive (tables 1, 10 and 11)**

The seasonally adjusted LFS estimate of economically inactive people in the North West in the August to October 2004 period was 2.09 million, with 959,000 of these of working age. Over the year the number of economically inactive people of working age was up 21,000.



**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.

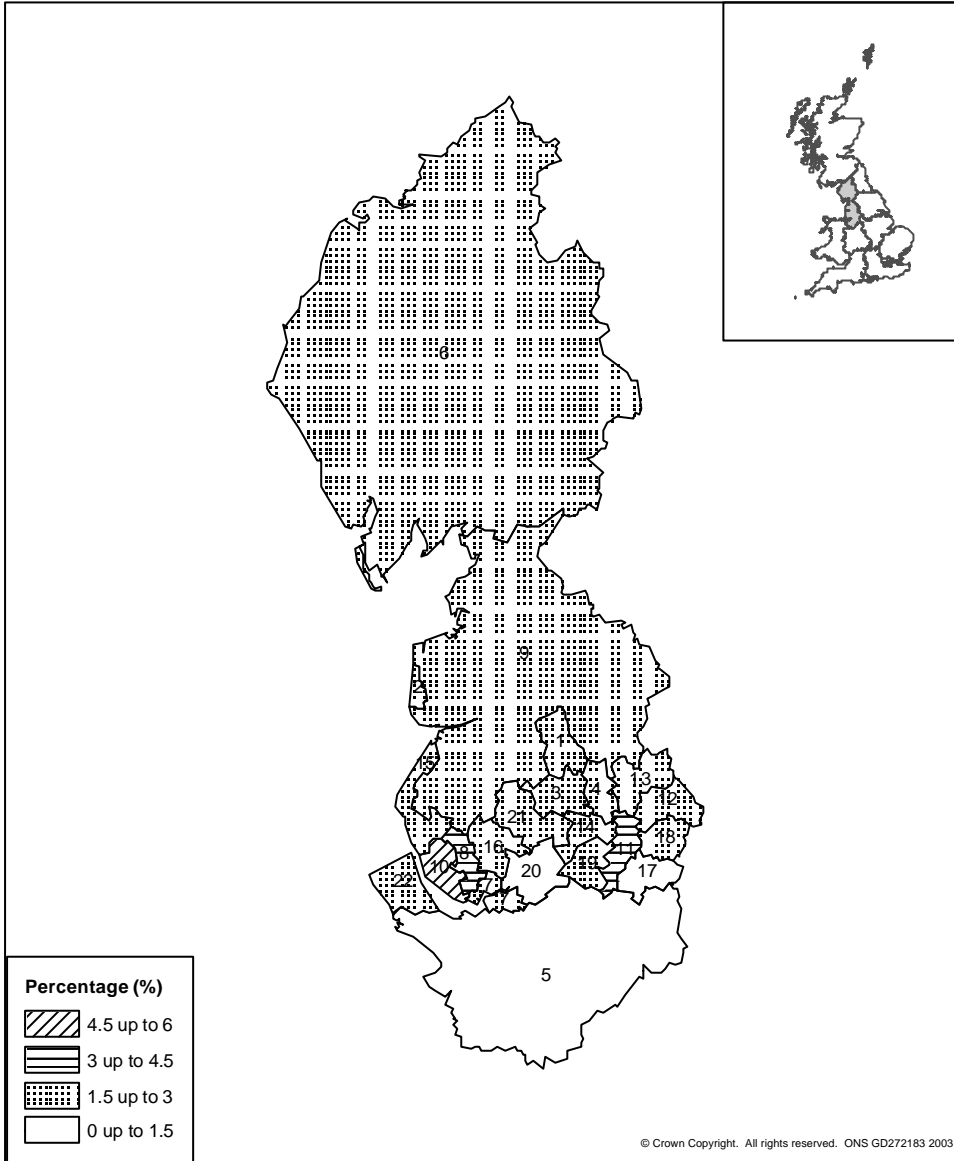
**Local area data (table 17)**

The claimant count as a proportion of the resident working age population was lowest in Ribble Valley, at 0.6 per cent. It was highest in Liverpool, at 4.8 per cent.

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

November 2004 - North West



1	Blackburn with Darwen UA	2.4%	12	Oldham	2.1%
2	Blackpool UA	2.7%	13	Rochdale	2.4%
3	Bolton	2.0%	14	Salford	2.3%
4	Bury	1.5%	15	Sefton	2.5%
5	Cheshire	1.1%	16	St. Helens	2.3%
6	Cumbria	1.8%	17	Stockport	1.3%
7	Halton UA	2.5%	18	Tameside	2.0%
8	Knowsley	3.6%	19	Trafford	1.5%
9	Lancashire	1.5%	20	Warrington UA	1.2%
10	Liverpool	4.8%	21	Wigan	1.9%
11	Manchester	3.6%	22	Wirral	2.8%

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## REVISIONS

### 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 December 2003 and Claimant Count data first published from October 1999 to December 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>

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	60	-0.20	0.34
Unemployment rate (%)	4.5	60	0.08	0.15
Claimant count (000s)	97.3	51	0.09	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	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.

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>).

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## NEXT MONTH

As part of the annual benchmarking exercise, the employee jobs series will next month be benchmarked onto the first results of the Annual Business Inquiry (ABI) for December 2003, together with revised December 2002 figures. As a result, there will be revisions to the figures for employee jobs for each period in 2002, 2003 and 2004. The benchmarking is a regular exercise to ensure that the short-term series are consistent with the more complete results collected on the ABI. In addition, there will be revisions to the self-employment figures to make them consistent with revised population estimates see

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/CCI/nugget.asp?ID=207&Pos=1&ColRank=1&Rank=374>

As a result there will be revisions to regional workforce jobs data from June 1992.

A new part to table 6 will be introduced next month (Usual Weekly Hours of Work). Its presentation will be based on the format of table 8 shown in the December 2004 UK release. The new table will show the percentage usual hours worked in each banded category split between employment, employee, and the self-employed. It will also be disaggregated by gender and contain not seasonally adjusted data, and provide estimates for seasonal quarters only.

## 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

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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 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](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<sup>®</sup>, 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*.

#### August to October 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
<b>Employment</b>	3,102	3,162	3,222	-92	-15	62	-55	23	101
<b>Employment rate</b>	72.3%	73.5%	74.7%	-1.9%	-0.4%	1.1%	-1.6%	0.0%	1.5%
<b>Unemployment</b>	131	148	166	-21	2	25	-36	-11	13
<b>Unemployment rate</b>	4.0%	4.5%	5.0%	-0.6%	0.1%	0.8%	-1.1%	-0.4%	0.4%
<b>Economically active</b>	3,251	3,310	3,369	-89	-13	64	-66	11	88
<b>Economic activity rate</b>	75.9%	77.0%	78.1%	-1.8%	-0.4%	1.0%	-1.8%	-0.3%	1.1%
<b>Economically inactive</b>	901	959	1,018	-58	18	93	-55	21	97

### Sampling variability of regional Labour Force Survey figures

#### August to October 2004

	Employment	Unemployment	Economically Active	Working age Economically Inactive	Employment	Unemployment
	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Level (000s)	Rate (%)	Rate (%)
North East	± 34	± 11	± 34	± 35	± 1.8	± 0.9
North West	± 60	± 17	± 59	± 59	± 1.2	± 0.5
Yorks & Humber	± 48	± 15	± 47	± 46	± 1.2	± 0.6
East Midlands	± 39	± 12	± 39	± 45	± 1.4	± 0.7
West Midlands	± 51	± 16	± 50	± 48	± 1.2	± 0.6
East	± 50	± 15	± 49	± 46	± 1.1	± 0.5
London	± 65	± 25	± 62	± 63	± 1.2	± 0.7
South East	± 60	± 17	± 59	± 55	± 0.9	± 0.4
South West	± 49	± 12	± 49	± 46	± 1.2	± 0.5
Wales	± 38	± 11	± 38	± 39	± 1.7	± 0.8
Scotland	± 49	± 16	± 47	± 45	± 1.2	± 0.6

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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 were published on 24 November 2004). There are now different publication thresholds for annual LFS data, depending on the size of the sample boost in the area. The thresholds are six thousand, four thousand, two thousand and as low as one thousand for some areas in Wales. For further information see Volume 6 of the *LFS User Guide*. This guide, along with additional data and further background information, are available on the National Statistics website at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/lfs>. A wide range of annual local area data from the LFS is available free from the Nomis<sup>®</sup> website at <http://www.nomisweb.co.uk>.

3. Not seasonally adjusted claimant count data are gathered from an administrative source and constitute a complete count. However, seasonally adjusted totals are presented as rounded to the nearest hundred to avoid spurious precision.
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.

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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.
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.

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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<sup>®</sup> 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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..	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 (August 2004 to October 2004)

	Labour Force Survey (August 2004 to October 2004)																
	Total aged 16 & over		Economically active				Employment					Unemployment					
	Total	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	
	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
North East	2,029	1,178	74.1	624	553	1,107	69.5	585	71.9	523	67.0	70	6.0	40	6.4	31	5.5
North West	5,400	3,310	77.0	1,768	1,542	3,162	73.5	1,682	77.0	1,480	69.8	148	4.5	87	4.9	62	4.0
Yorkshire & the Humber	3,982	2,472	78.1	1,333	1,138	2,362	74.5	1,272	79.0	1,090	69.7	110	4.5	62	4.6	48	4.3
East Midlands	3,400	2,147	79.4	1,171	976	2,061	76.1	1,121	80.4	940	71.5	86	4.0	50	4.3	36	3.7
West Midlands	4,201	2,636	79.2	1,444	1,192	2,503	75.2	1,367	79.8	1,137	70.2	132	5.0	77	5.3	55	4.6
East	4,346	2,830	81.9	1,547	1,284	2,731	79.0	1,493	84.2	1,238	73.3	99	3.5	53	3.5	46	3.5
London	5,899	3,757	74.4	2,090	1,667	3,488	69.0	1,945	75.6	1,543	62.0	268	7.1	144	6.9	124	7.4
South East	6,413	4,227	82.2	2,299	1,928	4,075	79.1	2,212	84.2	1,863	73.6	151	3.6	87	3.8	65	3.4
South West	4,018	2,522	81.1	1,367	1,155	2,441	78.4	1,316	82.5	1,125	74.0	82	3.2	51	3.8	30	2.6
<b>England</b>	<b>39,687</b>	<b>25,078</b>	<b>78.7</b>	<b>13,643</b>	<b>11,435</b>	<b>23,930</b>	<b>75.0</b>	<b>12,992</b>	<b>79.8</b>	<b>10,938</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>4.3</b>
Wales	2,353	1,393	75.8	745	649	1,329	72.2	707	75.7	621	68.5	64	4.6	37	5.0	27	4.2
Scotland	4,071	2,580	79.6	1,360	1,220	2,441	75.2	1,274	77.9	1,167	72.3	140	5.4	86	6.3	54	4.4
<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>46,111</b>	<b>29,051</b>	<b>78.7</b>	<b>15,748</b>	<b>13,304</b>	<b>27,700</b>	<b>74.9</b>	<b>14,974</b>	<b>79.4</b>	<b>12,726</b>	<b>70.1</b>	<b>1,352</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>4.3</b>
N Ireland	1,306	767	71.5	425	342	729	67.8	398	72.8	331	62.5	39	5.0	28	6.5	11	3.2
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>47,417</b>	<b>29,828</b>	<b>78.5</b>	<b>16,180</b>	<b>13,648</b>	<b>28,440</b>	<b>74.7</b>	<b>15,378</b>	<b>79.2</b>	<b>13,061</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>1,388</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>4.3</b>

### Change on quarter: <sup>+</sup>

	Labour Force Survey (August 2004 to October 2004)																
	Total aged 16 & over		Economically active				Employment					Unemployment					
	Total	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	
	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**
North East	2	-6	-0.3	-4	-3	-12	-0.7	-3	-0.4	-9	-1.1	6	0.5	-1	-0.1	7	1.2
North West	9	-13	-0.4	-4	-9	-15	-0.4	-11	-0.6	-4	-0.2	2	0.1	7	0.4	-5	-0.3
Yorkshire & the Humber	7	12	0.2	5	7	10	0.2	6	0.3	4	0.0	2	0.1	-1	-0.1	3	0.3
East Midlands	8	6	0.0	-2	8	3	-0.1	-4	-0.6	8	0.4	2	0.1	3	0.2	0	0.0
West Midlands	5	44	1.3	18	26	46	1.4	21	1.4	25	1.4	-2	-0.2	-3	-0.3	1	0.0
East	8	-23	-0.6	-4	-18	-15	-0.4	3	0.2	-18	-1.1	-8	-0.2	-7	-0.4	-1	0.0
London	6	-27	-0.7	-21	-6	-23	-0.6	-11	-0.8	-13	-0.5	-3	0.0	-10	-0.4	7	0.4
South East	9	33	0.7	17	16	37	0.8	19	0.7	18	0.8	-4	-0.1	-2	-0.1	-1	-0.1
South West	9	-10	-0.5	3	-13	-4	-0.2	6	0.2	-9	-0.7	-6	-0.2	-2	-0.2	-4	-0.3
<b>England</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0.1</b>
Wales	5	10	0.6	1	9	9	0.5	-3	-0.2	11	1.2	1	0.0	3	0.4	-2	-0.4
Scotland	4	-10	-0.1	-6	-3	7	0.4	6	0.4	1	0.4	-16	-0.6	-12	-0.8	-4	-0.4
<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
N Ireland	3	10	0.7	1	9	10	0.7	1	-0.1	10	1.6	0	-0.1	0	0.0	0	-0.2
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

### Change on year:

	Labour Force Survey (August 2004 to October 2004)																
	Total aged 16 & over		Economically active				Employment					Unemployment					
	Total	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	
	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)*	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**	Level	Rate (%)**
North East	7	11	0.4	-7	17	19	1.0	4	-0.1	15	2.1	-9	-0.8	-10	-1.6	2	0.1
North West	38	11	-0.3	-1	12	23	0.0	8	-0.2	15	0.1	-11	-0.4	-9	-0.5	-3	-0.2
Yorkshire & the Humber	31	24	0.1	7	17	37	0.5	22	0.8	16	0.2	-13	-0.6	-14	-1.1	1	0.1
East Midlands	30	16	0.2	0	16	23	0.5	8	0.0	15	1.1	-7	-0.4	-8	-0.7	1	0.1
West Midlands	18	45	1.1	12	32	64	1.8	26	1.5	38	2.1	-20	-0.9	-14	-1.0	-6	-0.6
East	29	18	0.1	12	6	30	0.5	22	0.6	8	0.4	-12	-0.5	-10	-0.7	-2	-0.2
London	21	-57	-1.5	-31	-26	-63	-1.6	-25	-1.6	-38	-1.7	6	0.3	-6	-0.2	13	0.9
South East	38	25	0.0	22	3	33	0.1	24	0.3	9	-0.1	-8	-0.2	-2	-0.1	-6	-0.3
South West	37	13	-0.2	16	-3	10	-0.2	12	0.3	-2	-0.7	2	0.1	4	0.2	-1	-0.1
<b>England</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-71</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Wales	21	1	-0.4	9	-8	-2	-0.6	9	0.6	-11	-1.9	3	0.2	0	-0.1	3	0.5
Scotland	17	31	0.7	2	29	39	0.9	10	0.2	29	1.8	-8	-0.4	-8	-0.6	0	-0.1
<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-77</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-79</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.0</b>
N Ireland	11	-2	-0.7	-12	9	4	0.0	-7	-1.9	11	2.0	-7	-0.9	-5	-1.0	-2	-0.6
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-86</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-86</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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  
Labour Market Statistics Helpline 020 7533 6094

# 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* (November 2004); seasonally adjusted						Jobcentre vacancies (November 2004); seasonally adjusted		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Notified vacancies	Unfilled vacancies	Outflow of vacancies	
	Level	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) <sup>+</sup>	Level	Rate (%) <sup>+</sup>	Level				Rate (%) <sup>+</sup>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
North East	1,108	577	532	44.9	3.9	34.7	5.5	10.2	1.9			
North West	3,366	1,758	1,609	97.3	2.8	74.3	4.0	23.0	1.4			
Yorkshire & the Humber	2,428	1,282	1,146	70.8	2.8	53.7	4.0	17.1	1.5			
East Midlands	2,000	1,055	946	51.9	2.5	37.6	3.4	14.3	1.5			
West Midlands	2,607	1,388	1,220	86.0	3.2	64.4	4.4	21.6	1.8			
East	2,676	1,431	1,245	55.4	2.0	40.0	2.7	15.4	1.2			
London	4,575	2,532	2,042	159.3	3.4	114.1	4.3	45.2	2.2			
South East	4,283	2,293	1,990	68.9	1.6	50.6	2.1	18.3	0.9			
South West	2,497	1,328	1,169	40.8	1.6	29.7	2.1	11.1	0.9			
<b>England</b>	<b>25,534</b>	<b>13,637</b>	<b>11,897</b>	<b>675.3</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>499.1</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>176.2</b>	<b>1.5</b>			
Wales	1,263	658	604	39.0	3.0	29.4	4.2	9.6	1.6			
Scotland	2,507	1,287	1,220	89.2	3.4	67.9	4.9	21.3	1.7			
<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>29,304</b>	<b>15,582</b>	<b>13,722</b>	<b>803.5</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>596.4</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>207.1</b>	<b>1.5</b>			
N Ireland	787	415	372	29.7	3.6	22.7	5.1	7.0	1.9			
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>30,091</b>	<b>15,997</b>	<b>14,094</b>	<b>833.2</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>619.1</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>214.1</b>	<b>1.5</b>			

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 October 2004) seasonally adjusted						Jobcentre vacancies (Change on October 2004) seasonally adjusted		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men		Women		Notified vacancies	Unfilled vacancies	Outflow of vacancies	
	Level	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) <sup>+</sup>	Level	Rate (%) <sup>+</sup>	Level				Rate (%) <sup>+</sup>
North East	-2	-11	9	-0.6	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	0.1	0.0			
North West	35	-3	38	-0.3	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Yorkshire & the Humber	42	28	14	-0.7	0.0	-0.7	-0.1	0.0	0.0			
East Midlands	-8	-11	3	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0			
West Midlands	10	-7	18	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0			
East	24	8	16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
London	51	38	13	-0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0			
South East	19	19	1	-0.5	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0			
South West	27	17	10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
<b>England</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>			
Wales	-13	-12	-1	-0.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0			
Scotland	2	0	2	-0.9	0.0	-1.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0			
<b>Great Britain</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>-3.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-3.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>			
N Ireland	15	7	8	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0			
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-3.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>			

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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  
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# 1 Summary of LFS data for August to October 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	
<b>People</b>	Aug-Oct 2002	5,326	3,260	3,086	174	2,066	61.2	57.9	5.3	38.8
	Aug-Oct 2003	5,361	3,299	3,139	160	2,062	61.5	58.6	4.8	38.5
	Nov-Jan 2004	5,371	3,310	3,148	161	2,061	61.6	58.6	4.9	38.4
	Feb-Apr 2004	5,381	3,288	3,139	149	2,093	61.1	58.3	4.5	38.9
	May-Jul 2004	5,391	3,323	3,177	146	2,068	61.6	58.9	4.4	38.4
	<b>Aug-Oct 2004</b>	<b>5,400</b>	<b>3,310</b>	<b>3,162</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>2,090</b>	<b>61.3</b>	<b>58.6</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>38.7</b>
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	9	-13	-15	2	22	-0.3	-0.4	0.1	0.3
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	1.4	1.1					
<i>Change on year</i>	38	11	23	-11	27	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	0.2	
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	0.3	0.7	-7.1	1.3					
<b>Men</b>	Aug-Oct 2002	2,560	1,771	1,663	108	789	69.2	65.0	6.1	30.8
	Aug-Oct 2003	2,580	1,769	1,674	95	811	68.6	64.9	5.4	31.4
	Nov-Jan 2004	2,586	1,770	1,671	98	816	68.4	64.6	5.6	31.6
	Feb-Apr 2004	2,592	1,759	1,672	87	833	67.9	64.5	4.9	32.1
	May-Jul 2004	2,597	1,773	1,693	80	825	68.2	65.2	4.5	31.8
	<b>Aug-Oct 2004</b>	<b>2,603</b>	<b>1,768</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>68.0</b>	<b>64.6</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>32.0</b>
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	5	-4	-11	7	9	-0.3	-0.5	0.4	0.3
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	8.3	1.1					
<i>Change on year</i>	22	-1	8	-9	23	-0.6	-0.2	-0.5	0.6	
<i>Change %</i>	0.9	0.0	0.5	-9.1	2.8					
<b>Women</b>	Aug-Oct 2002	2,766	1,489	1,422	67	1,277	53.8	51.4	4.5	46.2
	Aug-Oct 2003	2,781	1,530	1,466	64	1,251	55.0	52.7	4.2	45.0
	Nov-Jan 2004	2,785	1,540	1,477	63	1,245	55.3	53.0	4.1	44.7
	Feb-Apr 2004	2,789	1,529	1,467	62	1,260	54.8	52.6	4.1	45.2
	May-Jul 2004	2,793	1,550	1,484	66	1,243	55.5	53.1	4.3	44.5
	<b>Aug-Oct 2004</b>	<b>2,797</b>	<b>1,542</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>55.1</b>	<b>52.9</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>44.9</b>
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	4	-9	-4	-5	13	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3	0.4
<i>Change %</i>	0.1	-0.6	-0.3	-6.9	1.0					
<i>Change on year</i>	16	12	15	-3	4	0.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	
<i>Change %</i>	0.6	0.8	1.0	-4.0	0.4					

		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	YCNQ	YHMB		YCLD		YCZZ	
<b>People</b>	Aug-Oct 2002	4,118	3,176	3,004	172	942	77.1	72.9	5.4	22.9	
	Aug-Oct 2003	4,145	3,206	3,048	159	938	77.4	73.5	4.9	22.6	
	Nov-Jan 2004	4,152	3,216	3,055	161	936	77.4	73.6	5.0	22.6	
	Feb-Apr 2004	4,160	3,195	3,047	148	964	76.8	73.2	4.6	23.2	
	May-Jul 2004	4,167	3,225	3,081	144	942	77.4	73.9	4.5	22.6	
	<b>Aug-Oct 2004</b>	<b>4,173</b>	<b>3,214</b>	<b>3,067</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>73.5</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>23.0</b>	
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	6	-11	-13	2	18	-0.4	-0.4	0.1	0.4	
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	1.5	1.9						
<i>Change on year</i>	28	7	20	-12	21	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	0.3		
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	0.2	0.6	-7.7	2.2						
<b>Men</b>	Aug-Oct 2002	2,119	1,744	1,637	107	375	82.3	77.3	6.1	17.7	
	Aug-Oct 2003	2,133	1,739	1,645	94	394	81.5	77.1	5.4	18.5	
	Nov-Jan 2004	2,137	1,743	1,645	97	395	81.5	77.0	5.6	18.5	
	Feb-Apr 2004	2,142	1,732	1,645	86	410	80.9	76.8	5.0	19.1	
	May-Jul 2004	2,146	1,745	1,665	80	401	81.3	77.6	4.6	18.7	
	<b>Aug-Oct 2004</b>	<b>2,149</b>	<b>1,740</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>81.0</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>19.0</b>	
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	4	-5	-11	6	9	-0.4	-0.6	0.3	0.4	
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	7.3	2.2						
<i>Change on year</i>	16	1	9	-8	16	-0.6	-0.2	-0.5	0.6		
<i>Change %</i>	0.8	0.0	0.5	-8.6	4.0						
<b>Women</b>	Aug-Oct 2002	1,999	1,432	1,366	66	568	71.6	68.3	4.6	28.4	
	Aug-Oct 2003	2,012	1,467	1,402	65	545	72.9	69.7	4.4	27.1	
	Nov-Jan 2004	2,015	1,473	1,410	63	542	73.1	70.0	4.3	26.9	
	Feb-Apr 2004	2,018	1,463	1,402	62	555	72.5	69.4	4.2	27.5	
	May-Jul 2004	2,021	1,480	1,416	64	541	73.2	70.0	4.3	26.8	
	<b>Aug-Oct 2004</b>	<b>2,024</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>72.8</b>	<b>69.8</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>27.2</b>	
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	3	-6	-2	-4	9	-0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.4	
<i>Change %</i>	0.1	-0.4	-0.2	-5.6	1.6						
<i>Change on year</i>	12	7	11	-4	5	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.1		
<i>Change %</i>	0.6	0.5	0.8	-6.3	1.0						

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
	Jun 01	3,224	1,691	1,534			
	Jun 02	3,275	1,714	1,560			
	Jun 03	3,331	1,760	1,570			
	Sep 03	3,348	1,770	1,578			
	Dec 03	3,352	1,758	1,593			
	Mar 04	3,338	1,750	1,589			
	<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>3,366</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>1,609</b>			
<i>Change on year</i>		35	-3	38			
<i>Change %</i>		1.1	-0.2	2.4			
<b>2003</b>							
	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
<b>2004</b>							
	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#	97.0	74.3	22.7	2.8	4.0	1.4
	September	97.4	74.4	23.0	2.8	4.0	1.4
	October# (r)	97.6	74.6	23.0	2.8	4.0	1.4
	<b>November (p)</b>	<b>97.3</b>	<b>74.3</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<i>Change on period</i>		-0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Change %</i>		-0.3	-0.4	0.0			
<i>Change on year</i>		-10.4	-8.7	-1.7	-0.3	-0.5	-0.1
<i>Change %</i>		-9.7	-10.5	-6.9			

	Notified vacancies	Unfilled vacancies
	Level	Level
	IBWG	IBWE
<b>2003</b>		
November #		
December		
<b>2004</b>		
January		
February #		
March		
April		
May #		
June		
July		
August #		
September		
October#		
November		

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.

\* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

\*\* 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.

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

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## 2 Employment by age

North West

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		All aged 16 & over	16 - 59/64	16 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64 (m) 50 - 59 (w)	65+ (m) & 60+ (w)
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Employed</b>									
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>3,156</b>	<b>3,062</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>689</b>	<b>94</b>
	<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	
<b>Men</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>1,655</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>27</b>
	<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	
<b>Women</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>1,407</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>67</b>
	<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	
<b>Employment rates (%)*</b>									
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>58.5</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>39.6</b>	<b>68.4</b>	<b>80.9</b>	<b>80.8</b>	<b>66.0</b>	<b>7.7</b>
	<i>Change on year</i>	0.0	-0.2	3.8	0.9	1.9	-0.3	-2.9	0.7
<b>Men</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>64.7</b>	<b>77.1</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>69.8</b>	<b>86.7</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>67.6</b>	<b>5.9</b>
	<i>Change on year</i>	-0.7	-0.9	-3.2	-1.3	-0.9	0.0	-1.1	0.2
<b>Women</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>52.7</b>	<b>69.6</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>67.0</b>	<b>75.4</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>63.7</b>	<b>8.7</b>
	<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
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>3,156</b>	<b>2,776</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,359</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>143</b>
	<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
<b>Men</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>1,519</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>72</b>
	<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
<b>Women</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>1,365</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>72</b>
	<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
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>141</b>
	<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.

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## 4 Civilian workforce jobs

North West

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		Civilian workforce jobs	Employee jobs	Self- employment jobs	Government- supported trainees
		1	2	3	4
<b>All jobs</b>	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	3,338	2,962	361	15
	<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>3,366</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>14</b>
<i>Change on year</i>		35	17	17	2
<i>Change %</i>		1.1	0.6	4.6	15.1
<b>Male jobs</b>	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	1,750	1,475	265	9
	<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>1,482</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>8</b>
<i>Change on year</i>		-3	-4	0	1
<i>Change %</i>		-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	16.6
<b>Female jobs</b>	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
	<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>6</b>
<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.

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North West

## 5 Employee jobs by industry

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

Standard Industrial Classification (1992)

SIC 1992 SECTION		All jobs (seasonally adjusted)	Agriculture Forestry & Fishing	Mining 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
<b>All jobs</b>	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	2,976	2,962	14	18	435	130	1,423	943
	<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>2,978</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>1,435</b>	<b>947</b>
	<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>
<b>Male jobs</b>	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	1,485	1,475	9	11	324	110	733	289
	<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>1,482</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>290</b>
	<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>
<b>Female jobs</b>	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	1,491	1,487	5	7	111	20	690	654
	<b>Jun 04</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>656</b>
	<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
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>31.2</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>10.2</b>
	<i>Change on year</i>	-1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.3	0.1
<i>Change %</i>	-0.8	-1.5	-1.3	-2.2	1.3	
<b>Men</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>37.9</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>12.8</b>
	<i>Change on year</i>	-1	-0.4	-0.4	-0.7	2.5
<i>Change %</i>	-1.4	-1.1	-1.1	-4.4	24.0	
<b>Women</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>25.6</b>	<b>32.6</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>8.4</b>
	<i>Change on year</i>	0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3	-1.5
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	-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
<b>People</b>	<b>2003</b>	IBWA	IBWC			IBWB	IBWD
	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
	<b>2004</b>						
	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#	97.0	2.8	24.4	24.7	98.9	2.9
	September	97.4	2.8	24.7	24.9	96.0	2.8
	October# (r)	97.6	2.8	24.8	24.4	92.5	2.7
	<b>November (p)</b>	<b>97.3</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>24.7</b>	<b>91.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>
	<i>Change on mth</i>	-0.3	0.0	-0.5	0.3	-0.9	0.0
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.3		-2.0	1.2	-1.0	
<i>Change on year</i>	-10.4	-0.3	-1.8	-2.8	-10.3	-0.3	
<i>Change %</i>	-9.7		-6.9	-10.2	-10.1		
<b>Men</b>	<b>2003</b>	ZMPU	ZMPV				
	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
	<b>2004</b>						
	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#	74.3	4.0	17.9	18.1	73.9	4.0
	September	74.4	4.0	18.0	18.3	71.8	3.9
	October# (r)	74.6	4.0	18.1	17.8	69.8	3.8
	<b>November (p)</b>	<b>74.3</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>69.7</b>	<b>3.8</b>
	<i>Change on mth</i>	-0.3	0.0	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.0
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.4		-1.7	1.1	-0.1	
<i>Change on year</i>	-8.7	-0.5	-1.3	-2.2	-8.6	-0.5	
<i>Change %</i>	-10.5		-6.8	-10.9	-11.0		
<b>Women</b>	<b>2003</b>	ZMPW	ZMPX				
	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
	<b>2004</b>						
	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#	22.7	1.4	6.5	6.6	25.0	1.6
	September	23.0	1.4	6.7	6.6	24.3	1.5
	October# (r)	23.0	1.4	6.7	6.6	22.7	1.4
	<b>November (p)</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>1.4</b>
	<i>Change on mth</i>	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.1	-0.8	-0.1
	<i>Change %</i>	0.0		-3.0	1.5	-3.6	
<i>Change on year</i>	-1.7	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6	-1.8	-0.1	
<i>Change %</i>	-6.9		-7.1	-8.2	-7.4		

\* 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 November 2004 were 24,461 in total, 18,099 men and 6,361 women. The corresponding outflow figures were 18,049 for men and 7,182 for women.

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

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

# CLAIMANT COUNT

North West

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

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

	All ages							18-24					
	All	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
<b>People</b>													
Nov 02 #	110.5	109.2	74.0	17.5	17.8	16.3	6.6	31.2	26.3	4.1	0.8	2.6	0.1
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
Oct 04 #	92.5	91.6	64.0	14.5	13.1	14.3	4.4	28.5	24.3	3.5	0.7	2.5	0.1
<b>Nov 04</b>	<b>91.6</b>	<b>90.6</b>	<b>63.7</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.1</b>
Change on year	-10.3	-10.3	-4.4	-2.9	-3.0	-1.6	-0.9	-2.1	-1.3	-0.7	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
Change %	-10.1	-10.2	-6.4	-17.3	-19.1		-17.5	-7.0	-5.2	-17.6	-9.6		-23.8
<b>Men</b>													
Nov 02 #	85.9	84.9	55.8	14.1	15.0	17.7	5.7	22.3	18.8	2.9	0.5	2.3	0.0
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
Oct 04 #	69.8	69.1	47.1	11.2	10.8	15.6	3.7	19.6	16.7	2.4	0.5	2.5	0.1
<b>Nov 04</b>	<b>69.7</b>	<b>69.0</b>	<b>47.4</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.1</b>
Change on year	-8.6	-8.6	-3.4	-2.5	-2.6	-1.7	-0.8	-1.6	-1.0	-0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change %	-11.0	-11.1	-6.8	-18.8	-19.9		-18.2	-7.8	-5.6	-20.8	-7.4		-22.0
<b>Women</b>													
Nov 02 #	24.6	24.3	18.1	3.4	2.8	11.4	0.9	8.9	7.5	1.1	0.3	3.1	0.0
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
Oct 04 #	22.7	22.4	16.9	3.2	2.3	10.2	0.7	8.9	7.6	1.1	0.2	2.7	0.0
<b>Nov 04</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Change on year	-1.8	-1.8	-0.9	-0.4	-0.4	-0.9	-0.1	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.0
Change %	-7.4	-7.5	-5.4	-11.9	-15.3		-14.0	-5.1	-4.1	-9.2	-14.2		-27.1

\* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system

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

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

Only computerised claims are analysed by age and duration on a monthly basis. These figures therefore differ in total from those given in Table 7. The latter include clerically processed claims which currently amount to less than 1 per cent of the total claimant count. See background note 6.

# CLAIMANT COUNT

North West

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

(thousands), not seasonally adjusted

People	25-49						50 and over					
	All	Up to 6 months	Over 6	All over 12 months	% claiming	All over 24 months	All	Up to 6 months	Over 6	All over 12 months	% claiming	All over 24 months
			and up to 12 months		for over 12 months				and up to 12 months		for over 12 months	
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Nov 02 #	59.7	37.1	10.8	11.8	19.8	3.7	16.9	9.2	2.6	5.2	30.6	2.8
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
Oct 04 #	47.8	30.9	8.7	8.2	17.1	2.0	13.9	7.6	2.1	4.2	30.1	2.3
<b>Nov 04</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>31.1</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>29.5</b>	<b>2.3</b>
<i>Change on year</i>	-6.4	-2.4	-1.8	-2.2	-2.0	-0.6	-1.8	-0.6	-0.4	-0.8	-1.7	-0.3
<i>Change %</i>	-11.8	-7.2	-17.7	-21.2		-22.3	-11.5	-7.1	-16.4	-16.4		-12.6
<b>Men</b>												
Nov 02 #	48.9	29.6	9.1	10.2	20.9	3.3	13.0	6.7	2.0	4.3	33.0	2.4
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
Oct 04 #	38.3	24.3	7.1	6.9	18.0	1.7	10.4	5.4	1.6	3.4	32.6	1.9
<b>Nov 04</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>24.7</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>
<i>Change on year</i>	-5.3	-1.8	-1.5	-1.9	-2.3	-0.5	-1.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.7	-1.2	-0.3
<i>Change %</i>	-12.2	-7.0	-18.1	-22.3		-23.1	-13.1	-9.0	-19.2	-16.3		-13.1
<b>Women</b>												
Nov 02 #	10.8	7.6	1.6	1.6	14.8	0.5	3.9	2.4	0.6	0.9	22.5	0.4
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
Oct 04 #	9.5	6.6	1.6	1.3	13.4	0.3	3.4	2.1	0.5	0.8	22.5	0.4
<b>Nov 04</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>21.7</b>	<b>0.4</b>
<i>Change on year</i>	-1.1	-0.6	-0.3	-0.2	-0.7	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-2.7	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	-10.3	-8.0	-15.3	-14.9		-17.2	-6.2	-1.7	-7.0	-16.7		-9.7

\* Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system

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

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

# ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

## 9 Economic activity 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
<b>Economically active</b>									
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>3,308</b>	<b>3,211</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>97</b>
	<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
<b>Men</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,765</b>	<b>1,737</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>28</b>
	<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
<b>Women</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,543</b>	<b>1,473</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>69</b>
	<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
<b>Economic activity rates (%)*</b>									
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>61.3</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>54.3</b>	<b>75.7</b>	<b>83.9</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>67.5</b>	<b>7.9</b>
	<i>Change on year</i>	-0.4	-0.7	3.6	0.0	0.6	-0.1	-3.6	0.8
<b>Men</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>67.9</b>	<b>80.9</b>	<b>53.9</b>	<b>77.3</b>	<b>90.3</b>	<b>90.3</b>	<b>69.3</b>	<b>6.2</b>
	<i>Change on year</i>	-1.3	-1.6	-2.5	-1.8	-1.8	-0.3	-2.5	0.2
<b>Women</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>55.2</b>	<b>72.9</b>	<b>54.7</b>	<b>74.1</b>	<b>77.7</b>	<b>76.4</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>8.9</b>
	<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
<b>Economically inactive</b>									
<b>People</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>2,086</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>1,127</b>
	<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
<b>Men</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>424</b>
	<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
<b>Women</b>	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
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,252</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>703</b>
	<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 <sup>#</sup>	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
<b>People</b>	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	
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>2,086</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>53</b>	
	<i>Change on year</i>	34	35	35	-1	0	-3	2	3	-19	1	14	
<i>Change %</i>	1.7	3.7	5.1	-0.3	-0.2	-4.2	1.7	3.4	-29.5	3.8	36.1		
<b>Men</b>	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	
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>28</b>	
	<i>Change on year</i>	42	37	25	12	12	4	9	3	*	0	9	
<i>Change %</i>	5.2	9.9	9.1	11.9	13.9	12.5	14.7	6.3	*	0.0	43.9		
<b>Women</b>	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	
	<b>Jun - Aug 2004</b>	<b>1,252</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>25</b>	
	<i>Change on year</i>	-7	-2	10	-13	-13	-6	-6	0	-19	1	6	
<i>Change %</i>	-0.6	-0.4	2.5	-9.6	-10.7	-18.4	-7.4	-1.0	-32.8	9.8	28.2		

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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# 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	
November								
2003								
November #								
December								
2004								
January								
February #								
March								
April								
May #								
June								
July								
August #								
September								
October#								
November								

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

Change on year

Change on year %

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	
<b>United Kingdom total</b>	<b>36,622</b>	<b>26,683</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>7,899</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>958,759</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>30,214</b>	<b>0.83</b>	
<b>Regional total</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>2,913</b>	<b>71.4</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>24.4</b>	<b>119,879</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3,331</b>	<b>0.81</b>	
<b>Blackburn with Darwen UA</b>	83	55	67.4	3	5.0	24	29.0	2,593	3.1	69	0.83	
<b>Blackpool UA</b>	83	58	71.7	4	6.4	19	23.2	2,910	3.5	71	0.84	
<b>Halton UA</b>	74	49	66.7	4	7.2	21	28.0	2,983	4.0	55	0.74	
<b>Warrington UA</b>	120	88	74.6	4	3.8	27	22.5	2,377	2.0	125	1.05	
<b>Cheshire</b>	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	56	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	0.75	
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	
<b>Cumbria</b>	292	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	42	28	65.0	*	*	14	31.6	1,295	3.0	27	0.64	
Carlisle	61	41	67.1	*	*	17	27.8	1,532	2.5	57	0.93	
Copeland	42	28	68.4	*	*	11	25.3	1,667	4.0	31	0.74	
Eden	30	25	84.7	*	*	*	*	287	1.0	26	0.84	
South Lakeland	60	48	80.8	*	*	11	18.5	592	1.0	54	0.90	
<b>Bolton</b>	161	116	72.8	6	4.8	38	23.5	4,417	2.7	117	0.73	
<b>Bury</b>	111	82	73.9	4	4.7	25	22.3	2,002	1.8	67	0.60	
<b>Manchester</b>	280	148	58.9	16	9.6	88	34.8	13,320	4.8	347	1.24	
<b>Oldham</b>	132	96	73.5	7	6.5	28	21.4	3,942	3.0	88	0.66	
<b>Rochdale</b>	126	86	69.1	6	6.1	33	26.3	3,901	3.1	84	0.67	
<b>Salford</b>	133	93	71.2	7	6.6	31	23.7	3,717	2.8	121	0.91	
<b>Stockport</b>	172	134	78.5	4	3.0	33	19.2	2,924	1.7	133	0.78	
<b>Tameside</b>	131	98	75.3	4	3.9	28	21.5	3,159	2.4	79	0.60	
<b>Trafford</b>	129	96	74.6	5	4.7	28	21.7	2,731	2.1	137	1.06	
<b>Wigan</b>	189	141	74.7	7	4.6	41	21.7	4,581	2.4	112	0.59	
<b>Lancashire</b>	691	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	0.76	
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	0.74	
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	2.8	100	1.22	
Ribble Valley	33	27	81.7	*	*	6	17.0	216	0.7	31	0.92	
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	

# 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**		
	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
<b>Knowsley</b>	91	54	60.0	6	9.8	30	33.3	4,623	5.1	60	0.66
<b>Liverpool</b>	279	162	59.7	18	9.9	91	33.6	15,850	5.7	237	0.85
<b>St. Helens</b>	108	75	69.6	4	4.7	29	26.9	3,703	3.4	72	0.67
<b>Sefton</b>	163	119	73.4	7	5.3	36	22.4	5,622	3.4	118	0.72
<b>Wirral</b>	184	126	69.2	9	6.2	47	26.1	6,937	3.8	113	0.61

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).

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## 14 2002 local labour market indicators by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	Population+		Labour supply				Working age benefits			Labour demand###	
	16-59/64 (000s)	Employment++		Unemployment++		Economic inactivity++		Claimant count#		Jobs**	
		Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Total 16+ (000s)	Rate+++ (%)	Total 16-59/64 (000s)	16-59/64 Rate (%)	Level	Proportion## (%)	Total (000s)	Jobs Density 16-59/64 (ratio)
		1	2	3	4	5	6				
<b>United Kingdom total</b>	<b>36,622</b>	<b>26,683</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>7,899</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>958,759</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>30,214</b>	<b>0.83</b>
<b>Regional total</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>2,913</b>	<b>71.4</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>24.4</b>	<b>119,879</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3,331</b>	<b>0.81</b>
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	5.9	39	0.85
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	2.06
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	0.72
Manchester, Central	..	30	51.9	4	12.3	24	40.8	4,193	7.0	215	3.60
Manchester, Gorton	..	25	56.8	*	*	16	35.8	3,099	5.3	20	0.34
Manchester, Withington	..	39	71.3	*	*	13	24.3	1,847	2.9	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	1.02

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

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

+ Official mid-2002 estimates of the resident population are not available for this geography.

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Denominators for claimant count and jobs density are based on 2001 census data adjusted to be consistent with 2001 mid-year population estimates for local authorities.

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+++ 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.

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North West

## 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
<b>United Kingdom total</b>	<b>36,622</b>	<b>26,683</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>7,899</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>958,759</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>30,214</b>	<b>0.83</b>
<b>Regional total</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>2,913</b>	<b>71.4</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>24.4</b>	<b>119,879</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3,331</b>	<b>0.81</b>
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	0.88
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	0.74
Workington	..	27	61.8	*	*	14	32.2	1,568	3.6	28	0.63

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

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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#			
			Total	Rate (%)	Total	Rate (%)	Total	Rate (%)	Level (number)	% 16-59/64##	Total**	Jobs Density Ratio 16-59/64***
	16-59/64	16-59/64	16-59/64	16-59/64	16+	16-59/64	16-59/64	16-59/64				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
<b>United Kingdom total</b>	<b>36,622</b>	<b>26,683</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>7,899</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>958,759</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>30,214</b>	<b>0.83</b>	
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Cumbria												
West Cumbria	141	93	66.8	7	7.0	39	28.1	4,648	3.3	95	0.67	
East Cumbria	151	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	845	570	70.1	36	5.8	207	25.5	25,850	3.1	818	0.97	
Greater Manchester North	719	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	0.84	
Lancashire CC	691	511	74.8	21	3.9	151	22.1	13,939	2.0	545	0.79	
Merseyside												
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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	184	126	69.2	9	6.2	47	26.1	6,937	3.8	113	0.61	

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

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## 17 Claimant count\* by Unitary and Local Authority

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 11 NOVEMBER 2004						Change on year					
	Levels			Percentage of Pop <sup>#</sup>			Levels			Percentage <sup>#</sup>		
	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>United Kingdom total</b>	<b>594,068</b>	<b>208,961</b>	<b>803,029</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>-65,909</b>	<b>-15,708</b>	<b>-81,617</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>Regional total</b>	<b>69,674</b>	<b>21,887</b>	<b>91,561</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>-8,580</b>	<b>-1,761</b>	<b>-10,341</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>Blackburn with Darwen UA</b>	1,536	508	2,044	3.5	1.3	2.4	6	30	36	0.0	0.1	0.0
<b>Blackpool UA</b>	1,816	493	2,309	4.1	1.2	2.7	-184	8	-176	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
<b>Halton UA</b>	1,403	451	1,854	3.7	1.2	2.5	-279	-109	-388	-0.7	-0.3	-0.5
<b>Warrington UA</b>	1,104	377	1,481	1.8	0.7	1.2	-390	-82	-472	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
<b>Cheshire</b>	3,396	1,233	4,629	1.6	0.6	1.1	-772	-188	-960	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Chester	596	206	802	1.6	0.6	1.1	-264	-79	-343	-0.7	-0.2	-0.5
Congleton	341	125	466	1.2	0.5	0.8	-76	-45	-121	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Crewe and Nantwich	647	257	904	1.8	0.8	1.3	-30	-33	-63	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Ellesmere Port and Neston	574	171	745	2.3	0.7	1.5	-30	3	-27	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Macclesfield	581	188	769	1.3	0.4	0.9	-165	-26	-191	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Vale Royal	657	286	943	1.7	0.8	1.2	-207	-8	-215	-0.5	0.0	-0.3
<b>Cumbria</b>	3,952	1,195	5,147	2.6	0.9	1.8	-310	-90	-400	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Allerdale	825	270	1,095	2.8	1.0	1.9	-101	-6	-107	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Barrow-in-Furness	966	211	1,177	4.4	1.0	2.8	-8	-7	-15	0.0	0.0	0.0
Carlisle	784	244	1,028	2.4	0.8	1.7	-60	-36	-96	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Copeland	892	258	1,150	3.9	1.3	2.7	-54	-34	-88	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
Eden	142	65	207	0.9	0.4	0.7	-16	-4	-20	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
South Lakeland	343	147	490	1.1	0.5	0.8	-71	-3	-74	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
<b>Bolton</b>	2,428	788	3,216	2.9	1.0	2.0	-432	-71	-503	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
<b>Bury</b>	1,200	438	1,638	2.1	0.8	1.5	-129	-41	-170	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
<b>Manchester</b>	7,969	2,394	10,363	5.4	1.7	3.6	-1,763	-303	-2,066	-1.2	-0.2	-0.7
<b>Oldham</b>	2,142	652	2,794	3.2	1.0	2.1	-206	-35	-241	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
<b>Rochdale</b>	2,265	718	2,983	3.5	1.2	2.4	-150	-32	-182	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
<b>Salford</b>	2,410	740	3,150	3.4	1.2	2.3	-273	11	-262	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
<b>Stockport</b>	1,691	560	2,251	1.9	0.7	1.3	-398	-130	-528	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3
<b>Tameside</b>	1,980	661	2,641	2.9	1.0	2.0	-231	-70	-301	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
<b>Trafford</b>	1,478	463	1,941	2.2	0.7	1.5	-268	-83	-351	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
<b>Wigan</b>	2,807	895	3,702	2.8	1.0	1.9	-352	-76	-428	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
<b>Lancashire</b>	8,145	2,594	10,739	2.3	0.8	1.5	-620	-221	-841	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Burnley	669	189	858	2.5	0.7	1.6	-7	-13	-20	0.0	0.0	0.0
Chorley	509	180	689	1.5	0.6	1.1	-70	-27	-97	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Fylde	283	85	368	1.2	0.4	0.9	-9	-2	-11	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hyndburn	621	195	816	2.4	0.8	1.7	12	15	27	0.0	0.1	0.1
Lancaster	1,258	416	1,674	3.0	1.0	2.0	-261	-70	-331	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4
Pendle	585	208	793	2.1	0.8	1.5	-55	-24	-79	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Preston	1,552	390	1,942	3.7	1.0	2.4	-36	-42	-78	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Ribble Valley	143	46	189	0.8	0.3	0.6	29	-7	22	0.2	0.0	0.1
Rossendale	371	173	544	1.8	0.9	1.3	-28	16	-12	-0.1	0.1	0.0
South Ribble	498	161	659	1.5	0.5	1.0	-23	0	-23	-0.1	0.0	0.0
West Lancashire	1,070	365	1,435	3.2	1.1	2.2	-115	-50	-165	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Wyre	586	186	772	1.9	0.6	1.3	-57	-17	-74	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
<b>Knowsley</b>	2,528	759	3,287	5.6	1.7	3.6	-234	-80	-314	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3
<b>Liverpool</b>	10,439	3,133	13,572	7.3	2.2	4.8	-408	118	-290	-0.3	0.1	-0.1
<b>St. Helens</b>	1,880	650	2,530	3.4	1.2	2.3	-377	-87	-464	-0.7	-0.2	-0.4
<b>Sefton</b>	3,101	945	4,046	3.7	1.2	2.5	-569	-107	-676	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
<b>Wirral</b>	4,004	1,240	5,244	4.3	1.4	2.8	-241	-123	-364	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2

\* 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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North West

## 18 Claimant count\* by Parliamentary Constituency

not seasonally adjusted

	CLAIMANT COUNT ON 11 NOVEMBER 2004						Change on year					
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	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People
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Altrincham & Sale West	444	154	598	1.6	0.6	1.1	-28	-24	-52	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Ashton under Lyne	932	297	1,229	3.1	1.0	2.1	-159	-27	-186	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Barrow & Furness	1,100	252	1,352	4.0	1.0	2.6	-46	-15	-61	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Birkenhead	1,679	479	2,158	7.4	2.1	4.7	-64	-47	-111	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Blackburn	1,254	395	1,649	4.1	1.4	2.8	17	32	49	0.1	0.1	0.1
Blackpool North & Fleetwood	941	266	1,207	3.4	1.0	2.3	-67	-3	-70	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Blackpool South	1,293	357	1,650	4.4	1.3	2.9	-150	1	-149	-0.5	0.0	-0.3
Bolton North East	911	305	1,216	3.3	1.2	2.3	-179	-5	-184	-0.7	0.0	-0.3
Bolton South East	1,070	317	1,387	3.8	1.2	2.6	-121	-43	-164	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Bolton West	447	166	613	1.7	0.7	1.2	-132	-23	-155	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Bootle	1,582	450	2,032	7.1	2.0	4.5	-239	-34	-273	-1.1	-0.1	-0.6
Burnley	669	189	858	2.5	0.7	1.6	-7	-13	-20	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bury North	607	227	834	2.1	0.8	1.5	-86	-37	-123	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Bury South	593	211	804	2.1	0.8	1.5	-43	-4	-47	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Carlisle	681	191	872	2.9	0.9	1.9	-63	-41	-104	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Cheadle	289	103	392	1.1	0.4	0.8	-91	-43	-134	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3
Chester, City of	521	174	695	1.9	0.6	1.3	-239	-63	-302	-0.8	-0.2	-0.5
Chorley	509	180	689	1.5	0.6	1.1	-70	-27	-97	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Congleton	341	125	466	1.2	0.5	0.8	-76	-45	-121	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Copeland	892	258	1,150	4.0	1.3	2.7	-54	-34	-88	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
Crewe & Nantwich	616	236	852	2.1	0.9	1.5	-31	-28	-59	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Crosby	657	221	878	3.0	1.1	2.1	-173	-46	-219	-0.8	-0.2	-0.5
Denton & Reddish	690	225	915	2.5	0.8	1.7	-152	-55	-207	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4
Eccles	836	270	1,106	2.8	1.0	2.0	-105	21	-84	-0.4	0.1	-0.2
Eddisbury	324	174	498	1.1	0.7	0.9	-132	-10	-142	-0.5	0.0	-0.3
Ellesmere Port & Neston	601	183	784	2.2	0.7	1.5	-24	-1	-25	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Fylde	418	131	549	1.5	0.5	1.0	-9	-6	-15	0.0	0.0	0.0
Halton	878	279	1,157	3.4	1.1	2.3	-240	-85	-325	-0.9	-0.3	-0.6
Hazel Grove	398	134	532	1.6	0.6	1.1	-30	-23	-53	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Heywood & Middleton	803	258	1,061	2.6	0.9	1.8	-56	-20	-76	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Hyndburn	707	221	928	2.5	0.8	1.7	26	24	50	0.1	0.1	0.1
Knowsley North & Sefton East	1,289	377	1,666	4.5	1.3	2.9	-60	-57	-117	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
Knowsley South	1,534	477	2,011	5.1	1.6	3.4	-176	-40	-216	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
Lancaster & Wyre	472	164	636	1.5	0.5	1.0	-114	-19	-133	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Leigh	864	272	1,136	2.9	1.0	2.0	-108	-43	-151	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Liverpool, Garston	1,459	474	1,933	5.8	1.9	3.9	-45	13	-32	-0.2	0.1	-0.1
Liverpool, Riverside	2,888	852	3,740	9.1	2.7	6.0	-161	50	-111	-0.5	0.2	-0.2
Liverpool, Walton	2,064	599	2,663	7.7	2.3	5.1	-94	18	-76	-0.3	0.1	-0.1
Liverpool, Wavertree	2,038	600	2,638	7.2	2.1	4.6	-13	44	31	0.0	0.2	0.1
Liverpool, West Derby	1,990	608	2,598	7.3	2.2	4.8	-95	-7	-102	-0.4	0.0	-0.2
Macclesfield	337	75	412	1.2	0.3	0.7	-102	-38	-140	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Makerfield	718	224	942	2.5	0.8	1.7	-128	-53	-181	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Manchester, Blackley	1,497	459	1,956	5.7	2.0	4.0	-375	-51	-426	-1.4	-0.2	-0.9
Manchester, Central	2,571	688	3,259	8.1	2.5	5.5	-452	-110	-562	-1.4	-0.4	-0.9
Manchester, Gorton	1,805	552	2,357	5.9	2.0	4.0	-483	-93	-576	-1.6	-0.3	-1.0
Manchester, Withington	1,098	385	1,483	3.4	1.3	2.4	-305	-40	-345	-0.9	-0.1	-0.5
Morecambe & Lunesdale	945	304	1,249	3.6	1.2	2.5	-168	-60	-228	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4
Oldham East & Saddleworth	832	265	1,097	2.6	0.9	1.7	-44	-23	-67	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Oldham West & Royton	1,145	330	1,475	3.8	1.2	2.5	-128	-23	-151	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Pendle	585	208	793	2.1	0.8	1.5	-55	-24	-79	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Penrith & The Border	296	137	433	1.1	0.6	0.8	-36	-5	-41	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Preston	1,375	335	1,710	4.3	1.1	2.8	-15	-19	-34	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Ribble Valley	282	90	372	0.9	0.3	0.6	-9	-23	-32	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Rochdale	1,403	436	1,839	4.6	1.5	3.1	-70	-9	-79	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Rossendale & Darwen	567	260	827	1.9	0.9	1.4	-53	5	-48	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Salford	1,162	331	1,493	4.8	1.6	3.3	-120	16	-104	-0.5	0.1	-0.2
South Ribble	464	146	610	1.5	0.5	1.1	-47	-18	-65	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Southport	567	179	746	2.2	0.7	1.5	-155	-10	-165	-0.6	0.0	-0.3

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	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	816	294	1,110	2.8	1.1	2.0	-176	-29	-205	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
St. Helens South	1,064	356	1,420	4.0	1.4	2.7	-201	-58	-259	-0.8	-0.2	-0.5
Stalybridge & Hyde	856	311	1,167	3.1	1.2	2.2	-73	-15	-88	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Stockport	730	232	962	2.6	0.9	1.8	-182	-29	-211	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4
Stretford & Urmston	909	259	1,168	3.2	1.0	2.1	-196	-45	-241	-0.7	-0.2	-0.4
Tatton	352	148	500	1.4	0.6	1.1	-75	10	-65	-0.3	0.0	-0.1
Wallasey	1,221	390	1,611	4.8	1.6	3.2	-87	1	-86	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Warrington North	605	197	802	1.9	0.7	1.3	-231	-47	-278	-0.7	-0.2	-0.5
Warrington South	499	180	679	1.6	0.6	1.1	-159	-35	-194	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Weaver Vale	829	290	1,119	2.9	1.1	2.0	-132	-37	-169	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
West Lancashire	1,016	349	1,365	3.5	1.2	2.4	-77	-33	-110	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Westmorland & Lonsdale	209	106	315	0.8	0.4	0.6	-33	5	-28	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Wigan	850	278	1,128	3.3	1.2	2.3	-92	28	-64	-0.4	0.1	-0.1
Wirral South	483	161	644	2.2	0.8	1.5	-69	-57	-126	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
Wirral West	621	210	831	2.8	1.0	1.9	-21	-20	-41	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Workington	774	251	1,025	3.0	1.1	2.1	-78	0	-78	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
Worsley	787	260	1,047	2.7	1.0	1.9	-72	-34	-106	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Wythenshawe & Sale East	1,123	360	1,483	3.7	1.2	2.5	-192	-23	-215	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4

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