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This month's figures show an increase in the number of people in employment but a fall in the employment rate. The number of unemployed people, the unemployment rate and the claimant count have all increased. The number of job vacancies has fallen. Growth in average earnings, both excluding and including bonuses, has fallen.

In the latest reference period; the working age employment rate was 74.5 per cent, down 0.1 percentage point from the previous quarter. The number of people in employment rose by 56,000 over the quarter.

The unemployment rate was 5.6 per cent, up 0.1 percentage point from the previous quarter. The number of unemployed people rose by 27,000 over the quarter.

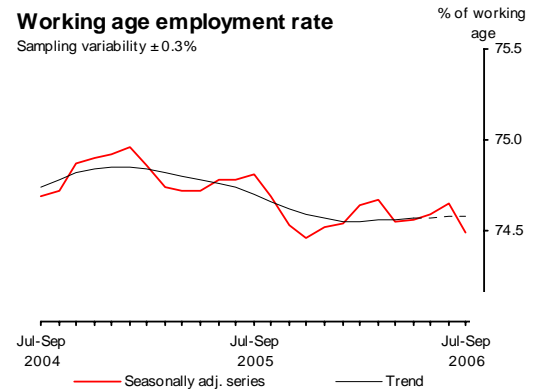
The claimant count was 961,300, up 1,200 from the previous month.

The number of vacancies was 602,600, down 600 from the previous quarter.

The AEI - including bonuses - was 3.9 per cent, down 0.3 percentage points from the previous month. The AEI - excluding bonuses - was 3.5 per cent, down 0.1 percentage point from the previous month.

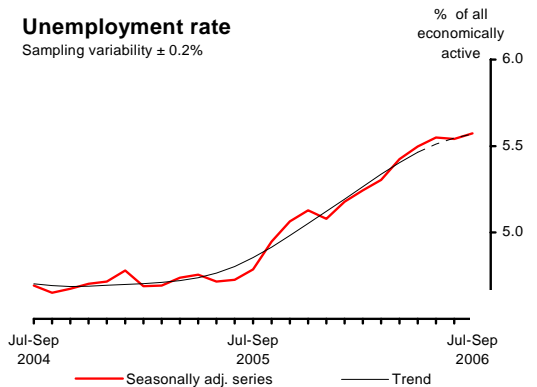
Working age employment rate

Sampling variability $\pm 0.3\%$



Unemployment rate

Sampling variability $\pm 0.2\%$



UK data, seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise stated

	Reference period	Levels (thousands)	Rates (%)	Changes on period		Sampling variability of changes+		
				Levels	Rates	Levels	Rates	
Employment*	Jul-Sep 06	28,986	74.5	56	-0.1	± 97	± 0.3	
Unemployment**	Jul-Sep 06	1,711	5.6	27	0.1	± 64	± 0.2	
Economically active*	Jul-Sep 06	30,696	79.0	83	0.0	± 91	± 0.2	
Economically inactive***	Jul-Sep 06	7,835	21.0	13	0.0	± 83	± 0.2	
<i>Of which:</i>								
Not wanting a job	Jul-Sep 06	5,748		1		± 42		
Wanting a job	Jul-Sep 06	2,087		13		± 42		
Claimant count	Oct 2006	961.3	3.0	1.2	0.0			
Workforce jobs	Jun 2006	31,058		65		..		
Vacancies**	Aug-Oct 06	602.6	2.3	-0.6	0.0	..	..
GB Average earnings								
- including bonuses	Jul-Sep 06		3.9 [#]		-0.3	$\pm 2.3^{\#\#}$	$\pm 0.6^{\#\#\#}$	
- excluding bonuses	Jul-Sep 06		3.5 [#]		-0.1	$\pm 0.7^{\#\#}$	$\pm 0.2^{\#\#\#}$	

For footnotes, see Background Note 4.

New this month: July to September 2006 latest three-month average LFS results, average earnings index; September 2006 manufacturing productivity and unit wage costs, manufacturing jobs, labour disputes; October 2006 claimant count; August to October 2006 vacancies.

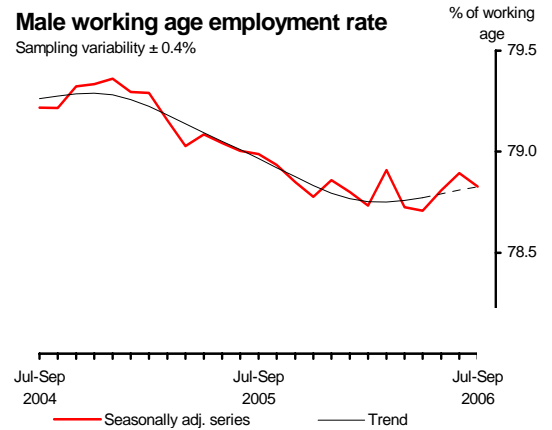


Employment and Jobs (tables 2 to 6)

The working age employment rate was 74.5 per cent in the three months to September 2006, down 0.1 percentage point from the three months to June 2006 and down 0.3 percentage points from a year earlier. The employment level was 28.99 million in the three months to September 2006, up 56,000 from the three months to June 2006 and up 192,000 on a year earlier.

Male working age employment rate

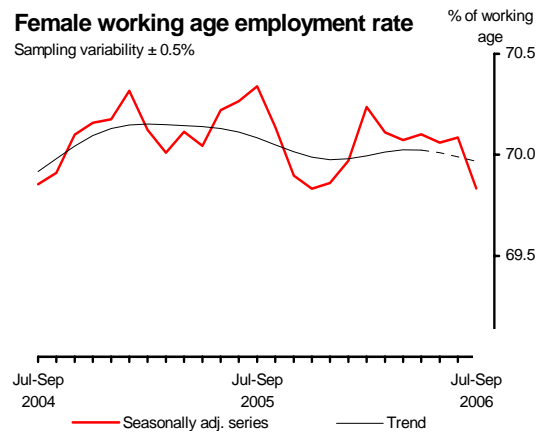
Sampling variability $\pm 0.4\%$



The number of people in full-time employment was 21.57 million in the three months to September 2006, down 15,000 from the three months to June 2006. Of this total, 13.93 million were men, up 15,000 over the quarter, and 7.65 million were women, down 30,000 over the quarter.

Female working age employment rate

Sampling variability $\pm 0.5\%$

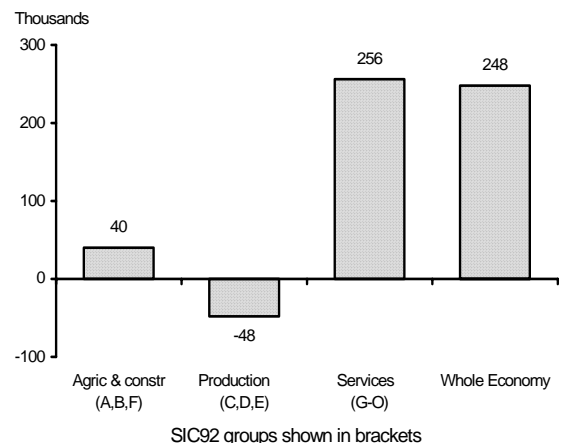


The number of people in part-time employment was 7.41 million in the three months to September 2006, up 70,000 from the three months to June 2006. Of this total, 1.72 million were men and 5.70 million were women.

There were 31.06 million workforce jobs in June 2006, up 65,000 over the quarter and up 248,000 on a year earlier. Most sectors showed increases in jobs over the year. The sector showing the largest annual increase in jobs was Education, health and public administration, which increased by 149,000.

Workforce jobs by industry - June 2006

Change on year from June 2005



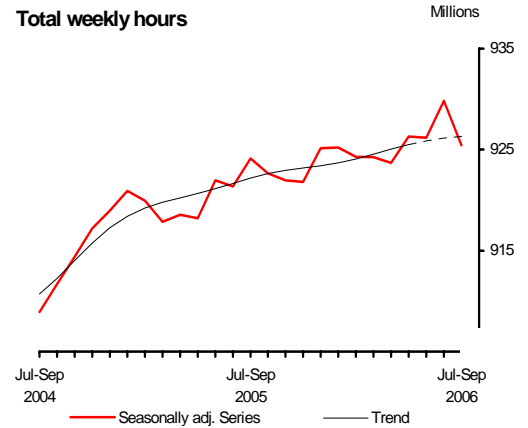
There were 26.81 million employee jobs in June 2006, up 88,000 over the previous quarter.

The number of people in public sector employment was 5.84 million in June 2006, down 9,000 from the same period a year ago. Over the same period, the number of people in private sector employment increased by 236,000 to 23.13 million.



Hours (tables 7 and 8)

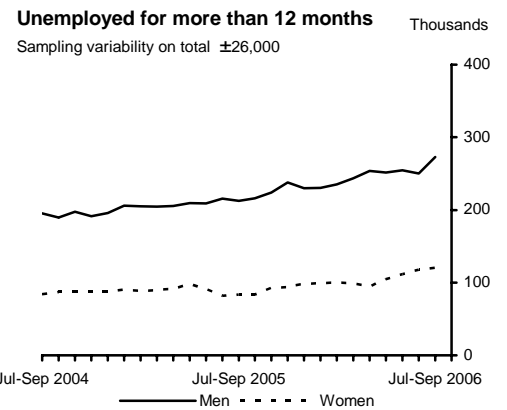
Total hours worked per week were 925.4 million in the three months to September 2006, down 0.9 million from the three months to June 2006. Average weekly hours worked in the three months to September 2006 were 32.0.



Unemployment (table 9)

The unemployment rate was 5.6 per cent in the three months to September 2006, up 0.1 percentage point from the three months to June 2006 and up 0.8 percentage points from a year earlier.

The unemployment level was 1.71 million in the three months to September 2006, up 27,000 from the three months to June 2006 and up 263,000 from a year earlier.



The number of unemployed men was 994,000 in the three months to September 2006, up 19,000 from the three months to June 2006. The number of unemployed women was 716,000 in the three months to September 2006, up 8,000 from the three months to June 2006.

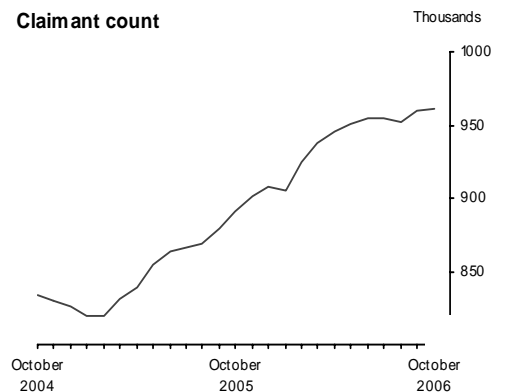


The number of people unemployed for over 12 months was 394,000 in the three months to September 2006, up 37,000 from the three months to June 2006.

Unemployment for 18 to 24 year olds was 523,000 in the three months to September 2006, up 3,000 from the three months to June 2006.

Claimant count (tables 10 and 11)

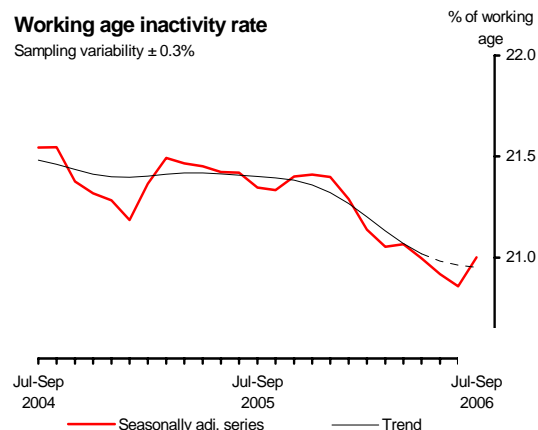
The claimant count level in October 2006 was 961,300, up 1,200 on the month and up 70,100 on a year earlier. It has shown an average monthly increase of 2,400 over the last three months and an average monthly increase of 2,700 over the last six months.



The claimant count rate in October 2006 was 3.0 per cent, unchanged from the previous month but up 0.2 percentage points from a year earlier.

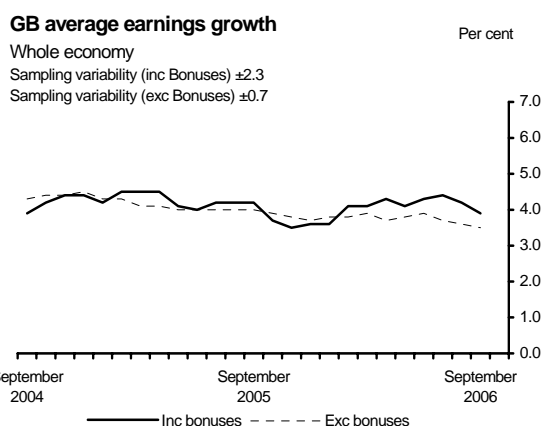
Economically inactive (tables 12 to 14)

The working age economic inactivity rate was 21.0 per cent in the three months to September 2006, unchanged from the three months to June 2006 but down 0.3 percentage points from a year earlier. The number of economically inactive people of working age was up 13,000 over the quarter to 7.84 million in the three months to September 2006. Over the year the number fell by 75,000.



GB average earnings (tables 15 and 16)

In the three months to September 2006, whole economy average earnings, excluding bonuses, increased by 3.5 per cent, down 0.1 percentage point from the previous month. Including bonuses, the increase was 3.9 per cent, down 0.3 percentage points from the previous month.



The corresponding figures for the main industry sectors were:

Manufacturing

4.4 per cent excluding bonuses, down 0.1 percentage point;
5.2 per cent including bonuses, down 0.1 percentage point.

Service industries

3.4 per cent excluding bonuses, down 0.1 percentage point;
3.9 per cent including bonuses, down 0.2 percentage points.

Public sector

3.2 per cent excluding bonuses, unchanged;
3.5 per cent including bonuses, down 0.1 percentage point.

Private sector

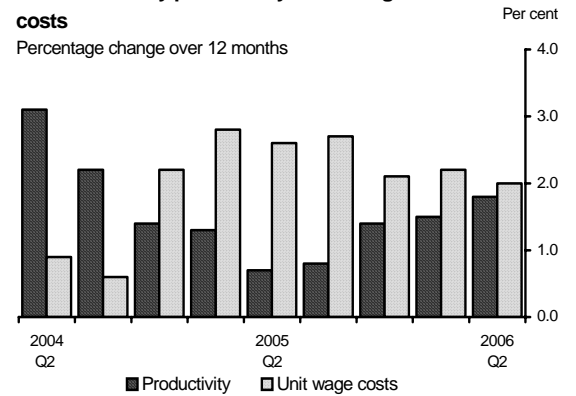
3.6 per cent excluding bonuses, down 0.1 percentage point;
4.0 per cent including bonuses, down 0.3 percentage points.

Productivity and unit wage costs (table 17)

Whole economy productivity was 1.8 per cent higher in the second quarter of 2006 compared with a year earlier, while whole economy unit wage costs rose by 2.0 per cent over the same period.

Manufacturing productivity rose by 3.5 per cent in the three months to September 2006 compared with a year earlier, while manufacturing unit wage costs rose by 1.6 per cent over the same period.

Whole economy productivity & unit wage costs
Percentage change over 12 months



Production industry employee jobs (table 6)

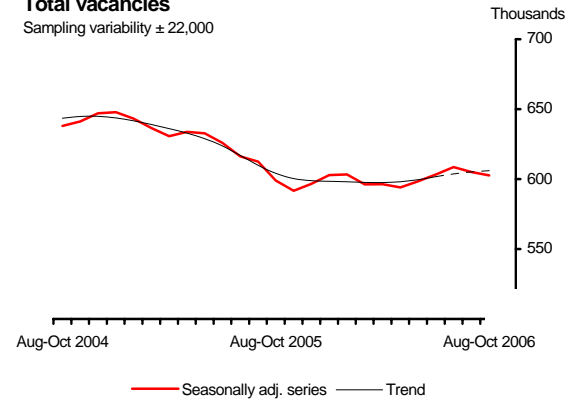
There were 3.03 million employee jobs in manufacturing industries in the three months to September 2006, down 77,000 on the same period a year earlier. Mining, energy and water supply industries jobs increased by 6,000 over the same period to reach 167,000.

Vacancies (tables 21 and 22)

There were 602,600 job vacancies on average in the three months ending October 2006, down 600 from the previous three months but up 3,700 from the same period a year earlier. There were 2.3 vacancies per 100 employee jobs, unchanged from the previous quarter.

Total vacancies

Sampling variability ± 22,000

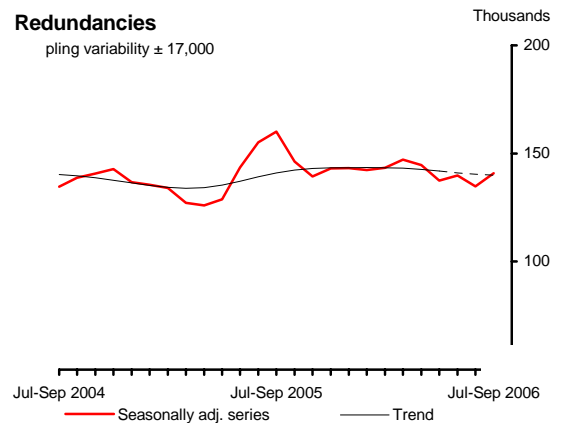


Redundancies (tables 23 and 24)

In the three months to September 2006, 141,000 people reported they had been made redundant in the three months before their interview, up 3,000 from the three months to June 2006. The redundancy rate was 5.6 per 1,000 employees, up 0.1 from the three months to June 2006.

Redundancies

Sampling variability ± 17,000



Labour disputes (table 20)

In September 2006, there were 23,000 working days lost due to labour disputes. In the twelve months to September 2006, there were 745,000 working days lost.

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 (mean revision)	Average over the last five years without regard to sign (average absolute revision)
Employment rate (%)	74.5	60	-0.04	0.08
Unemployment rate (%)	5.6	60	-0.01	0.03
Claimant count (000s)	961.3	60	0.84	2.56
AEI including bonuses (%)	3.9	60	0.03	0.11

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 (mean revision)	Average over the last five years without regard to sign (average absolute revision)
Workforce jobs (000s)	31,058	20	809.1*	809.1

A statistical test has been applied to the average revision to find out if the mean revision is statistically significantly different from zero; this is indicated by an asterisk (*) in the above tables. One major reason for the significant revisions to the workforce jobs estimates is the introduction of the Annual Business Inquiry, which replaced the old Annual Employment Survey in May 2001. This step upwards of around 1 million jobs was widely publicised beforehand.

Labour Market statistics are revised in line with our Revisions Policy, which is published on the National Statistics website at:

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 at:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/article.asp?ID=793>.

THIS MONTH

Average Earnings Index (AEI)

The estimates of sampling variability for the AEI have been updated and now relate to the period August 2005 to July 2006.

NEXT MONTH

Public sector employment

In December 2006, ONS will be releasing revisions to the Public Sector Employment series (table 4) back to 1991, the point at which the series begins. These revisions will result mainly from the implementation of annual re-referencing of estimates of Local Authority employment in England and Wales to bring the historical time series in line with the latest survey levels. At the same time, seasonally adjusted series will be presented for the first time following the completion of a recent review.

Workforce Jobs

In December 2006, ONS will be releasing revisions to the Workforce Jobs (WFJ) series (tables 5(1), 5(2) and 6) back to 1959, the start of the series. These revisions are the result

of the following developments and annual processes. The Employee Jobs series will be benchmarked to the latest estimates for 2004 and 2005 from the Annual Business Inquiry (ABI). The Public Sector Employment revisions (see above) also feed in to WFJ. The self-employment estimates derived from the LFS will be revised, reflecting more appropriate treatment of second self-employed jobs, an issue which was considered in the ongoing work to reconcile WFJ and LFS following the Employment and Jobs Statistics Quality Review.

Other WFJ sources will be updated and a seasonal adjustment review is being conducted. An article will be published on the website to explain the revisions.

SPECIAL

Population estimates in the LFS

On 24 August 2006 ONS published the 2005-based mid-year population estimates for the UK. On 7 September 2006 ONS published the 2006 Quarter 2 experimental quarterly population estimates for England and Wales. These population estimates have been incorporated into the LFS estimates (from July to September 2004 to date) from the October 2006 First Release.

The LFS estimates have been updated to include these new population estimates, using the interim reweighting adjustment methodology developed to take account of the 2001 Census results. Details of this methodology were published in the December 2002 edition of *Labour Market Trends*, which is available on the website at: http://www.statistics.gov.uk/articles/labour_market_trends/Interim_lfs_estimates_Dec2002.pdf

It is planned that modernised LFS processing systems will be introduced that will enable future population data to be incorporated into revised LFS microdata to the same sort of timetable now achieved for the LFS time series by using the interim adjustment procedure. Further information about the timing of this innovation will be made available as soon as possible.

SAMPLING VARIABILITY AND TRENDS

Some of the data in this release are based on statistical samples, and as such, are subject to sampling variability. The following tables show the sampling variabilities for the Labour Force Survey, the Average Earnings Index and the Vacancy Survey.

Sampling variability of national Labour Force Survey figures: July to September 2006

	Level	Sampling Variability	Change on quarter	Sampling variability	Change on year	Sampling variability
Employment (000s)	28,986	± 135	56	± 97	192	± 171
Employment rate	74.5%	± 0.3	-0.1	± 0.3	-0.3	± 0.4
Average weekly hours worked – all workers	32.0	± 0.2	-0.1	± 0.2	-0.2	± 0.2
Unemployment (000s)	1,711	± 64	27	± 64	263	± 82
Unemployment rate	5.6%	± 0.2	0.1	± 0.2	0.8	± 0.2
Economically Active (000s)	30,696	± 125	83	± 91	455	± 160
Economic Activity rate	79.0%	± 0.3	0.0	± 0.2	0.3	± 0.3
Economically Inactive (000s)	7,835	± 116	13	± 83	-75	± 150
Economic Inactivity rate	21.0%	± 0.3	0.0	± 0.2	-0.3	± 0.4
Inactive, Not wanting job (000s)	5,748	± 58	1	± 42	-109	± 75
Inactive, Wanting a job (000s)	2,087	± 58	13	± 42	35	± 75
Redundancies (000s)	141	± 17	3	± 24	-19	± 24

Sampling variability of regional Labour Force Survey figures: July to September 2006

	Empl- oyment Level (000s)	Unem- ployment Level (000s)	Econ- omically Active Level (000s)	Working age Economically Inactive Level (000s)	Working age Employment Rate (%)	Unem- ployment Rate (%)
North East	± 35	± 12	± 35	± 35	± 1.8	± 1.0
North West	± 61	± 20	± 60	± 60	± 1.2	± 0.6
Yorks & Humber	± 50	± 17	± 49	± 47	± 1.3	± 0.7
East Midlands	± 41	± 14	± 41	± 42	± 1.3	± 0.7
West Midlands	± 52	± 18	± 51	± 49	± 1.3	± 0.6
East	± 52	± 18	± 52	± 49	± 1.2	± 0.6
London	± 67	± 28	± 64	± 64	± 1.2	± 0.7
South East	± 61	± 20	± 60	± 56	± 0.9	± 0.5
South West	± 52	± 14	± 52	± 49	± 1.3	± 0.6
Wales	± 39	± 12	± 39	± 39	± 1.8	± 0.9
Scotland	± 51	± 16	± 50	± 48	± 1.3	± 0.6

The ranges above for the LFS data represent '95 per cent confidence intervals'. It is expected that in 95 per cent of samples the range would contain the true value. The ranges are approximated from non seasonally adjusted data in line with research on the topic.

Sampling variability of the Average Earnings Index

Rates (latest three months on same period a year ago)
September 2006

	Excluding bonuses ¹		Including bonuses ¹	
	Rate	Sampling variability	Rate	Sampling variability
Whole economy	3.5	±0.7	3.9	± 2.3
Private sector	3.6	±0.9	4.0	± 2.8
Public sector	3.2	±0.4	3.5	± 0.4
Manufacturing	4.4	±1.1	5.2	± 1.9
Services	3.4	±0.9	3.9	± 2.9
of which: Private sector services	3.5	±1.2	4.0	± 3.9

¹ The data exclude the payment of arrears of pay.

An article explaining how the sampling variability data are derived is available on the National Statistics website at: http://www.statistics.gov.uk/articles/labour_market_trends/AE_I_estimates_apr2002.pdf.

Sampling variability of the Vacancy Survey

The following are estimated 95 per cent confidence intervals for the Vacancy Survey results. These are approximate only, especially those for changes over the year which are more difficult to estimate than those for the levels of vacancies. They nevertheless provide useful guidelines as to the precision of the results. Estimates of sampling variability of changes on three months ago are not currently available, but are expected to be rather less than those indicated for changes on the year.

Sampling variability of Vacancy Survey results

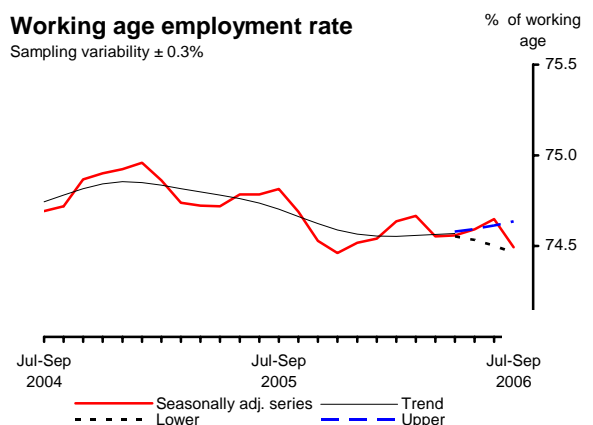
	Level	Sampling Variability	Change on year	Sampling variability
August - October 2006 average total vacancies Level (000s)	602.6	± 22	3.7	± 18
Vacancy ratio (per 100 employee jobs)	2.3	± 0.1	0.0	± 0.1
October 2006 single month estimate Level (000s)	620.6	± 38	32.2	± 30

Trends

Trends shown are estimated using the standard approach adopted by National Statistics based on the results of its Short-Term Trend research project. In this case, the recommended method is to apply a 13-term Henderson moving average, augmented by two stages of outlier detection and ARIMA modelling, to the seasonally adjusted series. For more information, see *An Investigation of Trend Estimation Methods*, available from the Time Series Analysis Branch, (tel: 020 7533 6238).

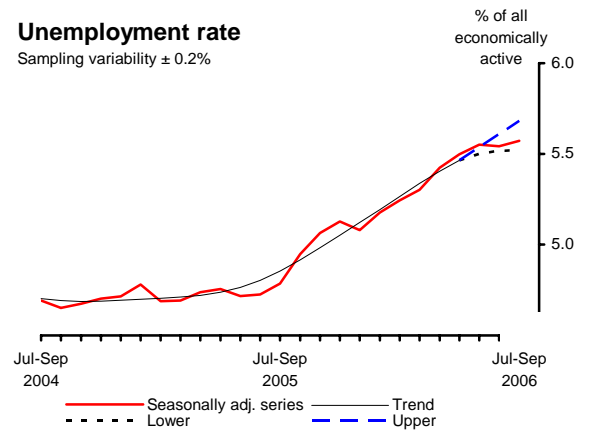
Working age employment rate

Sampling variability ± 0.3%



Estimates of the trends at the end of the series are subject to revision when new data become available. The graphs give an indication of the likely extent of these revisions. They have been constructed by making statistical estimates of the range of values the next data point in the series is likely to fall within. The resultant extended series have been used to calculate the corresponding likely range of revised trend estimates. This range does not take account of revisions which might arise from seasonal adjustment.

Unemployment rate
Sampling variability $\pm 0.2\%$



BACKGROUND NOTES

1. In addition to the data in this release, ONS can provide a wide range of labour market data in a number of formats. Historical time series data can be accessed, free of charge, from the Labour Market Statistics First Release Historical Supplement (http://www.statistics.gov.uk/OnlineProducts/LMS_FR_H_S.asp) and from the Time Series Data service (<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/tsdintro.asp>). Regional and local area labour market data are also available from Nomis[®] at <http://www.nomisweb.co.uk>. Further data are also published in *Labour Market Trends (LMT)* and the *Labour Force Survey Historical Quarterly Supplement* (<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/onlineproducts/default.asp#labour>). For low cost data tailored to your requirements contact e-Communications (tel: 020 7533 5675 or email tailored@statistics.gov.uk).
2. Further information on the topics covered in this release is available by contacting the Labour Market Statistics Helpline (tel: 020 7533 6094 or email labour.market@ons.gov.uk) or from the National Statistics website at: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/onlineproducts/default.asp#labour>
3. 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.
4. Footnotes to table on page 1.
 - + See notes on sampling variability.
 - * Levels are for those aged 16 and over, rates 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.
 - .. Not available
 - # Percentage change three months on previous year.
 - ## Sampling variability of percentage change for latest three months on previous year AEI figure.
 - ### Sampling variability of month on month change in latest three months on previous year AEI figure.

++ Levels are averages for latest three months and rates are ratios of vacancies per 100 employee jobs. Changes are comparisons with three months ago.

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CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS

Actual hours worked: *See hours worked.*

Claimant count: The number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance benefits.

Claimant count rate at national or regional level: The number of claimants resident in an area as a percentage of the sum of claimants and workforce jobs in the country or region.

Claimant count proportion: The number of claimants resident in an area as a percentage of the working age population resident in that area.

Earnings: A measure of the money people receive in return for work done, gross of tax. It includes salaries and, unless otherwise stated, bonuses but not unearned income, benefits in kind or arrears of pay. Figures are shown both including and excluding bonuses and are seasonally adjusted.

Economically active: People aged 16 and over who are either in *employment* or *unemployed*.

Economically inactive: People who are neither in *employment* nor *unemployed*. This includes those who want a job but have not been seeking work in the last four weeks, those who want a job and are seeking work but not available to start work, and those who do not want a job.

Employment and jobs: There are two ways of looking at employment: the number of people with jobs, or the number of jobs. The two concepts are not the same as a person can have more than one job.

The number of people with jobs is measured by the *Labour Force Survey* (LFS) and includes people aged 16 or over who did paid work (as an employee or self-employed), those who had a job that they were temporarily away from, those on government-supported training and employment programmes, and those doing unpaid family work.

The number of jobs is measured by workforce jobs and is the sum of employee jobs (as measured by surveys of employers), self-employment jobs from the LFS, those in HM Forces, and government-supported trainees. Vacant jobs are not included.

The *Review of Employment and Jobs Statistics* highlighted differences between statistics on jobs produced from household and business surveys, and identified many of the reasons why these differences occur. Following that review, a comparison of estimates of jobs from the LFS and the WFJ series is available from the *Labour Market Statistics Overview* document at:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=9539>

Full-time: In the *Labour Force Survey*, respondents are asked to self-classify their main job as either full-time or part-time. However, people on government supported employment and training programmes that are at college in the reference week are classified, by convention, as part-time. In employer surveys, jobs are generally classified as being part-time if the contracted hours of work are 30 hours or less per week.

Hours worked:

Actual hours worked: Actual hours worked statistics, shown at Table 7, measure how many hours were actually worked. These statistics are directly affected by changes in the number of people in employment and in the number of hours that individuals work. The figures also reflect public holidays, sickness and other absences from work during the reference period.

Usual hours worked: Usual hours worked statistics, shown at Table 8, measure how many hours people usually work per week. Compared with actual hours worked, they are less affected by public holidays, sickness and other absences from work. In this respect they provide a better measure of working patterns.

Inflows and Outflows: The claimant count records are analysed to provide information about inflows onto the count and outflows from the count on a monthly basis. To make comparisons over time consistent, these figures are standardised to a $4\frac{1}{3}$ week month before seasonal adjustment. These figures for people starting to or ceasing to claim Jobseeker's Allowance can be helpful towards interpreting changes in the claimant count.

Jobs: See *Employment and jobs*.

Labour Force Survey: The main source for information on the labour market in the UK. It is a random household survey of approximately 53,000 households every three months conducted by the Office for National Statistics. As well as private households, the survey includes people living in student residence halls and National Health Service accommodation.

Outflows: See *Inflows and Outflows*.

Part-time: See *Full-time*.

Private sector employment: See *Public sector / private sector employment*.

Productivity: Whole economy output per worker is the ratio of Gross Value Added (GVA) at basic prices and Labour Force Survey total employment. Manufacturing output per filled job is the ratio of manufacturing output (from the Index of Production) and productivity jobs for manufacturing (constrained to LFS jobs at the whole economy level).

Public sector / private sector employment: Public sector employment comprises employment in central government, local government and public corporations as defined for the UK National Accounts. Data are collected from public sector organisations via the *ONS Quarterly Public Sector Employees Survey* and other sources. Employment estimates for the private sector are derived as the difference between *Labour Force Survey* employment estimates for the whole economy (not seasonally adjusted) and the public sector employment estimates.

Special note: The public sector employment estimates given in Table 4 include a number of workers with a second job in the public sector whose main job is in the private sector or in a separate public sector organisation. The private sector estimate will thus tend to be correspondingly understated by a small percentage.

Rates: Generally the preferred measure of Labour Market statistics as they allow changes in the labour market to be interpreted in a wider context by allowing for changes in the overall population.

Redundancies: The number of people, whether working or not working, who reported that they had been made redundant in the month of the reference week or in the two calendar months prior to this.

Sampling variability: Data based on statistical samples are subject to sampling variability. If many samples were drawn, each would give a different result. The ranges shown for the *Labour Force Survey* data in this release, for example, represent 95 per cent confidence intervals; in 95 per cent of samples the range would contain the true value.

Seasonal adjustment: A process of estimating regularly occurring seasonal effects and removing them from the raw data.

Trends: Trends are used to show the long-term movement in a time series.

Unemployment: The number of unemployed people in the UK is measured through the *Labour Force Survey* following the internationally agreed definition recommended by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) – an agency of the United Nations. Unemployed people are:

- without a job, want a job, have actively sought work in the last four weeks and are available to start work in the next two weeks or;
- out of work, have found a job and are waiting to start it in the next two weeks.

Unit wage costs: A measure of the cost of wages and salaries per unit of output.

Usual hours worked: See *hours worked*.

Vacancies: The statistics are based on ONS's Vacancy Survey, a survey of businesses designed to provide comprehensive estimates of the stock of vacancies across the economy, excluding Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing. Vacancies are defined as positions for which employers are actively seeking recruits from outside their business or organisation. Further information is available on:
<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=9390>

Workforce jobs: See *Employment and jobs*.

Further Concepts and Definitions are available from the website at:

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_labour/LMS_FR_HS_Concepts_Definitions.pdf

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The following symbols are used in the tables:

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

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

SUMMARY

1 Summary of LFS data

United Kingdom (thousands)
seasonally adjusted

	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
People	MGSL	MGSF	MGRZ	MGSC	MGSI	MGWG	MGSR	MG SX	YBTC
Jul-Sep 2004	47,443	29,850	28,450	1,400	17,593	62.9	60.0	4.7	37.1
Jul-Sep 2005	47,853	30,242	28,794	1,447	17,611	63.2	60.2	4.8	36.8
Oct-Dec 2005	47,946	30,312	28,758	1,554	17,634	63.2	60.0	5.1	36.8
Jan-Mar 2006	48,038	30,486	28,887	1,599	17,552	63.5	60.1	5.2	36.5
Apr-Jun 2006	48,131	30,613	28,930	1,683	17,518	63.6	60.1	5.5	36.4
Jul-Sep 2006	48,224	30,696	28,986	1,711	17,527	63.7	60.1	5.6	36.3
<i>Change on quarter</i>	93	83	56	27	10	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.6	0.1				
<i>Change on year</i>	371	455	192	263	-84	0.5	-0.1	0.8	-0.5
<i>Change %</i>	0.8	1.5	0.7	18.2	-0.5				
Men	MGSM	MGSG	MGSA	MGSD	MG SJ	MGWH	MGSS	MG SY	YBTD
Jul-Sep 2004	22,976	16,207	15,386	821	6,769	70.5	67.0	5.1	29.5
Jul-Sep 2005	23,200	16,366	15,506	859	6,835	70.5	66.8	5.3	29.5
Oct-Dec 2005	23,251	16,431	15,515	916	6,820	70.7	66.7	5.6	29.3
Jan-Mar 2006	23,302	16,471	15,539	932	6,831	70.7	66.7	5.7	29.3
Apr-Jun 2006	23,353	16,553	15,578	975	6,800	70.9	66.7	5.9	29.1
Jul-Sep 2006	23,404	16,636	15,642	994	6,768	71.1	66.8	6.0	28.9
<i>Change on quarter</i>	51	84	64	19	-32	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.5	0.4	2.0	-0.5				
<i>Change on year</i>	204	271	136	135	-67	0.5	0.0	0.7	-0.5
<i>Change %</i>	0.9	1.7	0.9	15.7	-1.0				
Women	MGSN	MGS H	MGS B	MGSE	MGS K	MGWI	MGST	MGS Z	YBTE
Jul-Sep 2004	24,467	13,643	13,064	579	10,824	55.8	53.4	4.2	44.2
Jul-Sep 2005	24,652	13,876	13,288	588	10,777	56.3	53.9	4.2	43.7
Oct-Dec 2005	24,694	13,881	13,243	638	10,813	56.2	53.6	4.6	43.8
Jan-Mar 2006	24,736	14,015	13,348	667	10,721	56.7	54.0	4.8	43.3
Apr-Jun 2006	24,778	14,061	13,352	708	10,717	56.7	53.9	5.0	43.3
Jul-Sep 2006	24,819	14,060	13,344	716	10,759	56.6	53.8	5.1	43.4
<i>Change on quarter</i>	41	-1	-9	8	42	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.1
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.0	-0.1	1.1	0.4				
<i>Change on year</i>	167	184	56	128	-17	0.4	-0.1	0.9	-0.4
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	1.3	0.4	21.8	-0.2				

	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
People	YBTF	YBSK	YBSE	YBSH	YBSN	MGSO	MG SU	YBTI	YBTL
Jul-Sep 2004	36,758	28,839	27,455	1,383	7,919	78.5	74.7	4.8	21.5
Jul-Sep 2005	37,054	29,145	27,722	1,423	7,910	78.7	74.8	4.9	21.3
Oct-Dec 2005	37,120	29,173	27,640	1,532	7,948	78.6	74.5	5.3	21.4
Jan-Mar 2006	37,186	29,326	27,754	1,572	7,860	78.9	74.6	5.4	21.1
Apr-Jun 2006	37,252	29,430	27,775	1,656	7,822	79.0	74.6	5.6	21.0
Jul-Sep 2006	37,310	29,475	27,794	1,681	7,835	79.0	74.5	5.7	21.0
<i>Change on quarter</i>	58	44	19	25	13	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.5	0.2				
<i>Change on year</i>	255	330	72	258	-75	0.3	-0.3	0.8	-0.3
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	1.1	0.3	18.2	-0.9				
Men	YBTG	YBSL	YBSF	YBSI	YBSO	MGSP	MG SV	YBTJ	YBTM
Jul-Sep 2004	18,993	15,859	15,046	813	3,134	83.5	79.2	5.1	16.5
Jul-Sep 2005	19,169	15,990	15,141	849	3,179	83.4	79.0	5.3	16.6
Oct-Dec 2005	19,210	16,038	15,133	905	3,172	83.5	78.8	5.6	16.5
Jan-Mar 2006	19,252	16,080	15,158	922	3,172	83.5	78.7	5.7	16.5
Apr-Jun 2006	19,294	16,149	15,186	963	3,145	83.7	78.7	6.0	16.3
Jul-Sep 2006	19,334	16,221	15,241	980	3,114	83.9	78.8	6.0	16.1
<i>Change on quarter</i>	41	72	55	17	-31	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.4	0.4	1.7	-1.0				
<i>Change on year</i>	166	231	100	131	-65	0.5	-0.2	0.7	-0.5
<i>Change %</i>	0.9	1.4	0.7	15.4	-2.0				
Women	YBTH	YBSM	YBSG	YBSJ	YBS P	MG SQ	MG SW	YBTK	YBTN
Jul-Sep 2004	17,765	12,980	12,409	570	4,785	73.1	69.9	4.4	26.9
Jul-Sep 2005	17,886	13,155	12,581	574	4,731	73.5	70.3	4.4	26.5
Oct-Dec 2005	17,910	13,134	12,507	627	4,776	73.3	69.8	4.8	26.7
Jan-Mar 2006	17,934	13,246	12,596	650	4,688	73.9	70.2	4.9	26.1
Apr-Jun 2006	17,958	13,281	12,589	692	4,677	74.0	70.1	5.2	26.0
Jul-Sep 2006	17,975	13,254	12,553	701	4,722	73.7	69.8	5.3	26.3
<i>Change on quarter</i>	17	-28	-36	9	45	-0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.2
<i>Change %</i>	0.1	-0.2	-0.3	1.2	1.0				
<i>Change on year</i>	90	99	-28	127	-10	0.2	-0.5	0.9	-0.2
<i>Change %</i>	0.5	0.8	-0.2	22.2	-0.2				

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
Labour Market Statistics Helpline 020 7533 6094

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

NATIONAL DATA

1a Summary of other headline indicators

United Kingdom (thousands),
seasonally adjusted unless
otherwise stated

	Workforce jobs			Public and private sector employment (nsa)		
	Levels			Public sector ¹	Private sector ¹	
	All Jobs	Male Jobs	Female Jobs			
	DYDC	LOLA	LOLB	C9KD	CZG8	
2004						
June	30,572	16,295	14,277	5,756	22,646	
September	30,558	16,300	14,258	5,755	22,798	
December	30,747	16,389	14,358	5,820	22,821	
2005						
March	30,832	16,425	14,407	5,835	22,746	
June	30,810	16,404	14,406	5,849	22,889	
September	30,827	16,447	14,380	5,818	23,056	
December	30,926	16,480	14,446	5,866	22,952	
2006						
March	30,993	16,521	14,471	5,851	23,014	
June	31,058	16,564	14,494	5,840	23,125	
<i>Change on qtr</i>	65	42	23			
<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.3	0.2	-0.2	1.0	
<i>Change on year</i>	248	160	88			
<i>Change %</i>	0.8	1.0	0.6			

	Claimant count ²					
	Levels			Rates (%) ³		
	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women
	BCJD	DPAE	DPAF	BCJE	DPAH	DPAI
2005						
October #	891.2	661.5	229.7	2.8	3.9	1.6
November	901.3	668.6	232.7	2.8	3.9	1.6
December	907.9	673.3	234.6	2.9	4.0	1.6
2006						
January #	905.1	669.9	235.2	2.9	3.9	1.6
February	925.0	685.2	239.8	2.9	4.0	1.6
March	937.8	695.2	242.6	3.0	4.1	1.7
April #	945.1	700.7	244.4	3.0	4.1	1.7
May	950.7	703.8	246.9	3.0	4.1	1.7
June	955.0	706.4	248.6	3.0	4.2	1.7
July #	954.0	704.3	249.7	3.0	4.1	1.7
August	951.8	701.5	250.3	3.0	4.1	1.7
September # (r)	960.1	706.1	254.0	3.0	4.2	1.7
October (p)	961.3	705.8	255.5	3.0	4.1	1.7
<i>Change on month</i>	1.2	-0.3	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	0.1	0.0	0.6			
<i>Change on year</i>	70.1	44.3	25.8	0.2	0.3	0.2
<i>Change %</i>	7.9	6.7	11.2			

	GB Whole economy earnings ⁴		Vacancies		
	Average earnings index (including bonuses)	Average earnings index (excluding bonuses)	Average 3 months ending (level)	Change on quarter	
	LNNC	JQDY		Level	Per cent
			AP2Y	AP3K	AP3L
2005					
September	4.2	4.0			
October	3.7	3.9			
November	3.5	3.8			
December	3.6	3.7			
2006					
January	3.6	3.8			
February	4.1	3.8			
March	4.1	3.9			
April	4.3	3.7			
May	4.1	3.8			
June	4.3	3.9			
July	4.4	3.7			
August	4.2	3.6			
September (p)	3.9	3.5			
2005					
October (r)			598.9	-26.9	-4.3
November			591.6	-24.6	-4.0
December			596.5	-16.0	-2.6
2006					
January			602.8	3.9 (r)	0.7 (r)
February			603.3	11.7	2.0
March			596.2	-0.3	-0.1
April			596.3	-6.5	-1.1
May			594.0	-9.3	-1.5
June			598.4	2.2	0.4
July (r)			603.2	6.9	1.2
August (r)			608.6	14.6	2.5
September (r)			605.0	6.6	1.1
October (p)			602.6	-0.6	-0.1

1. See footnotes to Table 4.

2. The number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance.

3. Denominator = Claimant count + Workforce jobs.

4. The rate is the change in the average seasonally adjusted index values for over the last 3 months compared with the same period a year ago.

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

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Sources: Employer surveys, DFES Training Data System,

Labour Force Survey, returns from public sector organisations,

Jobcentre Plus administrative system, Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey.

EMPLOYMENT AND JOBS

2 Employment by age

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	All aged	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
In Employment								
People	MGRZ	YBSE	YBTO	YBTR	YBTU	YBTX	MGUW	MGUZ
Jul-Sep 2004	28,450	27,455	651	3,493	6,273	10,748	6,291	994
Jul-Sep 2005	28,794	27,722	606	3,518	6,277	10,925	6,396	1,072
Oct-Dec 2005	28,758	27,640	562	3,505	6,280	10,898	6,396	1,118
Jan-Mar 2006	28,887	27,754	563	3,567	6,265	10,941	6,417	1,133
Apr-Jun 2006	28,930	27,775	563	3,565	6,260	10,940	6,446	1,155
Jul-Sep 2006	28,986	27,794	546	3,603	6,219	10,974	6,451	1,192
Change on quarter	56	19	-17	38	-41	34	5	37
Change %	0.2	0.1	-3.0	1.1	-0.7	0.3	0.1	3.2
Change on year	192	72	-60	86	-58	49	55	120
Change %	0.7	0.3	-9.9	2.4	-0.9	0.5	0.9	11.2
Men	MGSA	YBSF	YBTP	YBTS	YBTV	YBTY	MGUX	MGVA
Jul-Sep 2004	15,386	15,046	311	1,844	3,413	5,743	3,734	340
Jul-Sep 2005	15,506	15,141	287	1,861	3,422	5,778	3,793	365
Oct-Dec 2005	15,515	15,133	266	1,856	3,432	5,773	3,807	381
Jan-Mar 2006	15,539	15,158	256	1,877	3,415	5,807	3,803	382
Apr-Jun 2006	15,578	15,186	263	1,867	3,408	5,819	3,830	392
Jul-Sep 2006	15,642	15,241	259	1,906	3,392	5,854	3,830	401
Change on quarter	64	55	-4	40	-16	35	0	9
Change %	0.4	0.4	-1.6	2.1	-0.5	0.6	0.0	2.4
Change on year	136	100	-28	46	-30	76	37	36
Change %	0.9	0.7	-9.8	2.4	-0.9	1.3	1.0	9.8
Women	MGSB	YBSG	YBTQ	YBTT	YBTW	YBTZ	MGUY	MGVB
Jul-Sep 2004	13,064	12,409	339	1,649	2,860	5,005	2,556	655
Jul-Sep 2005	13,288	12,581	319	1,657	2,855	5,147	2,603	707
Oct-Dec 2005	13,243	12,507	296	1,649	2,848	5,125	2,589	736
Jan-Mar 2006	13,348	12,596	307	1,690	2,851	5,134	2,614	752
Apr-Jun 2006	13,352	12,589	300	1,699	2,853	5,121	2,616	763
Jul-Sep 2006	13,344	12,553	287	1,697	2,827	5,120	2,621	791
Change on quarter	-9	-36	-13	-2	-25	-1	5	27
Change %	-0.1	-0.3	-4.2	-0.1	-0.9	0.0	0.2	3.6
Change on year	56	-28	-32	40	-28	-27	18	84
Change %	0.4	-0.2	-10.0	2.4	-1.0	-0.5	0.7	11.9

Employment rates (%)¹

People	MGSR	MGSU	YBUA	YBUD	YBUG	YBUJ	YBUM	YBUP
Jul-Sep 2004	60.0	74.7	41.6	66.4	79.9	82.2	69.9	9.3
Jul-Sep 2005	60.2	74.8	38.4	65.4	80.3	82.6	70.6	9.9
Oct-Dec 2005	60.0	74.5	35.6	64.8	80.5	82.2	70.5	10.3
Jan-Mar 2006	60.1	74.6	35.7	65.5	80.4	82.4	70.6	10.4
Apr-Jun 2006	60.1	74.6	35.7	65.1	80.5	82.2	70.8	10.6
Jul-Sep 2006	60.1	74.5	34.6	65.5	80.1	82.2	70.8	10.9
Change on quarter	0.0	-0.1	-1.1	0.3	-0.4	0.1	0.0	0.3
Change on year	-0.1	-0.3	-3.8	0.1	-0.3	-0.4	0.1	1.0
Men	MGSS	MGSV	YBUB	YBUE	YBUH	YBUK	YBUN	YBUQ
Jul-Sep 2004	67.0	79.2	38.9	69.6	87.6	88.9	72.0	8.5
Jul-Sep 2005	66.8	79.0	35.4	68.5	88.4	88.4	72.5	9.1
Oct-Dec 2005	66.7	78.8	32.9	67.8	88.7	88.1	72.5	9.4
Jan-Mar 2006	66.7	78.7	31.6	68.2	88.4	88.5	72.2	9.4
Apr-Jun 2006	66.7	78.7	32.5	67.3	88.4	88.4	72.6	9.7
Jul-Sep 2006	66.8	78.8	31.9	68.4	88.1	88.8	72.3	9.9
Change on quarter	0.1	0.1	-0.5	1.0	-0.3	0.4	-0.2	0.2
Change on year	0.0	-0.2	-3.5	-0.1	-0.3	0.4	-0.1	0.8
Women	MGST	MGSW	YBUC	YBUF	YBUI	YBUL	YBUO	YBUR
Jul-Sep 2004	53.4	69.9	44.5	63.2	72.2	75.7	67.0	9.8
Jul-Sep 2005	53.9	70.3	41.5	62.2	72.4	76.9	68.1	10.4
Oct-Dec 2005	53.6	69.8	38.5	61.6	72.4	76.4	67.7	10.9
Jan-Mar 2006	54.0	70.2	40.0	62.8	72.5	76.4	68.4	11.1
Apr-Jun 2006	53.9	70.1	39.0	62.8	72.7	76.0	68.4	11.2
Jul-Sep 2006	53.8	69.8	37.4	62.5	72.2	75.8	68.6	11.6
Change on quarter	-0.1	-0.3	-1.7	-0.4	-0.5	-0.2	0.2	0.4
Change on year	-0.1	-0.5	-4.1	0.3	-0.3	-1.1	0.5	1.1

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

1. Denominator = all persons in the relevant age group

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EMPLOYMENT AND JOBS

3 Full-time, part-time and temporary workers

United Kingdom (thousands),
seasonally adjusted

	All in employment					Total in employment ¹		Employees ¹		Self-employed ¹		
	Total	Employees	Self employed	Unpaid family workers	Government supported training & employment programmes	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Workers with second jobs
People	MGRZ	MGRN	MGRQ	MGRT	MGRW	YCBE	YCBH	YCBK	YCBN	YCBQ	YCBT	YCBW
Jul-Sep 2004	28,450	24,649	3,583	89	129	21,098	7,351	18,250	6,399	2,770	813	1,060
Jul-Sep 2005	28,794	24,936	3,661	90	107	21,480	7,314	18,586	6,350	2,823	839	1,066
Oct-Dec 2005	28,758	24,861	3,699	90	108	21,464	7,294	18,552	6,309	2,840	858	1,029
Jan-Mar 2006	28,887	24,966	3,740	88	93	21,552	7,335	18,609	6,356	2,875	866	1,030
Apr-Jun 2006	28,930	25,023	3,719	93	94	21,588	7,342	18,674	6,349	2,852	867	1,047
Jul-Sep 2006	28,986	25,026	3,759	104	97	21,574	7,412	18,641	6,385	2,866	893	1,056
Change on quarter	56	2	40	11	3	-15	70	-34	36	13	26	10
Change %	0.2	0.0	1.1	11.4	3.3	-0.1	1.0	-0.2	0.6	0.5	3.0	0.9
Change on year	192	90	98	14	-10	94	98	55	35	43	55	-10
Change %	0.7	0.4	2.7	15.0	-9.1	0.4	1.3	0.3	0.6	1.5	6.5	-0.9
Men	MGSA	MGRO	MGRR	MGRU	MGRX	YCBF	YCBI	YCBL	YCBO	YCBR	YCBU	YCBX
Jul-Sep 2004	15,386	12,623	2,652	35	76	13,741	1,645	11,388	1,235	2,303	350	453
Jul-Sep 2005	15,506	12,730	2,680	32	64	13,857	1,649	11,486	1,244	2,326	354	456
Oct-Dec 2005	15,515	12,709	2,714	30	61	13,848	1,667	11,457	1,252	2,348	365	446
Jan-Mar 2006	15,539	12,734	2,717	30	59	13,887	1,652	11,488	1,246	2,356	360	442
Apr-Jun 2006	15,578	12,783	2,704	36	54	13,911	1,667	11,524	1,259	2,350	354	449
Jul-Sep 2006	15,642	12,811	2,730	42	58	13,927	1,716	11,522	1,290	2,361	369	449
Change on quarter	64	28	26	6	5	15	49	-2	30	11	15	0
Change %	0.4	0.2	1.0	15.8	8.8	0.1	2.9	0.0	2.4	0.5	4.3	-0.1
Change on year	136	81	50	10	-5	70	66	35	46	35	15	-8
Change %	0.9	0.6	1.9	29.7	-8.1	0.5	4.0	0.3	3.7	1.5	4.3	-1.7
Women	MGSA	MGRP	MGRS	MGRV	MGRY	YCBG	YCBJ	YCBM	YCBP	YCBS	YCBV	YCBY
Jul-Sep 2004	13,064	12,026	930	55	53	7,358	5,706	6,862	5,164	467	463	607
Jul-Sep 2005	13,288	12,206	981	58	43	7,623	5,665	7,100	5,106	496	484	610
Oct-Dec 2005	13,243	12,151	985	59	47	7,616	5,627	7,095	5,057	492	493	584
Jan-Mar 2006	13,348	12,231	1,024	59	34	7,665	5,683	7,121	5,110	518	505	587
Apr-Jun 2006	13,352	12,240	1,015	57	41	7,677	5,675	7,151	5,090	502	513	598
Jul-Sep 2006	13,344	12,214	1,029	62	39	7,647	5,696	7,119	5,095	505	524	608
Change on quarter	-9	-26	14	5	-2	-30	21	-31	6	2	11	10
Change %	-0.1	-0.2	1.3	8.6	-4.1	-0.4	0.4	-0.4	0.1	0.5	2.2	1.6
Change on year	56	9	48	4	-5	24	31	20	-11	8	39	-2
Change %	0.4	0.1	4.9	6.8	-10.6	0.3	0.6	0.3	-0.2	1.6	8.2	-0.3

	Temporary employees (reasons for temporary working)							Part-time workers (reasons for working part-time) ²					
	Total	Total as % of all employees	Could not find permanent job	% that could not find permanent job	Did not want permanent job	Had a contract with period of training	Some other reason	Total	Could not find full-time job	% that could not find full-time job	Did not want full-time job	Ill or disabled	Student or at school
People	YCBZ	YCCC	YCCF	YCCI	YCCL	YCCO	YCCR	YCCU	YCCX	YCDA	YCDD	YCDG	YCDJ
Jul-Sep 2004	1,489	6.0	370	24.8	415	97	607	7,212	552	7.7	5,323	171	1,167
Jul-Sep 2005	1,447	5.8	381	26.3	384	102	580	7,188	592	8.2	5,278	170	1,148
Oct-Dec 2005	1,376	5.5	344	25.0	375	90	566	7,167	609	8.5	5,267	171	1,120
Jan-Mar 2006	1,473	5.9	368	25.0	412	112	581	7,222	615	8.5	5,297	175	1,136
Apr-Jun 2006	1,454	5.8	363	25.0	417	109	565	7,216	623	8.6	5,259	174	1,160
Jul-Sep 2006	1,421	5.7	354	24.9	417	93	557	7,278	637	8.7	5,257	187	1,197
Change on quarter	-32	-0.1	-9	-0.1	1	-16	-8	62	13	0.1	-2	13	37
Change %	-2.2	-0.1	-2.5	0.1	-14.5	-1.4	0.9	2.1	0.0	7.6	3.2	0.0	3.2
Change on year	-26	-0.1	-27	-1.4	33	-9	-23	90	44	0.5	-21	17	50
Change %	-1.8	-0.1	-7.1	8.7	-8.4	-4.0	1.3	7.5	-0.4	10.3	4.3	0.0	4.3
Men	YCCA	YCCD	YCCG	YCCJ	YCCM	YCCP	YCCS	YCCV	YCCY	YCDB	YCDE	YCDH	YCDK
Jul-Sep 2004	706	5.6	214	30.3	172	53	268	1,585	245	15.5	775	64	500
Jul-Sep 2005	662	5.2	205	31.0	164	56	236	1,598	229	14.3	786	76	506
Oct-Dec 2005	646	5.1	192	29.7	164	44	246	1,618	248	15.3	802	79	489
Jan-Mar 2006	664	5.2	191	28.7	171	59	243	1,606	246	15.3	795	77	488
Apr-Jun 2006	647	5.1	182	28.1	172	51	243	1,614	251	15.6	787	72	504
Jul-Sep 2006	643	5.0	185	28.8	168	44	247	1,659	271	16.3	787	75	526
Change on quarter	-4	0.0	3	0.7	-4	-7	4	45	20	0.8	0	3	22
Change %	-0.6	0.0	1.7	-2.3	-13.8	1.5	2.8	7.9	0.0	4.8	4.4	0.0	4.4
Change on year	-19	-0.2	-20	-2.2	3	-12	10	61	42	2.0	1	-1	20
Change %	-2.8	-0.2	-9.8	2.0	-22.0	4.4	3.8	18.4	0.1	-1.8	3.9	0.1	3.9
Women	YCCB	YCCE	YCCH	YCCK	YCCN	YCCQ	YCCT	YCCW	YCCZ	YCDC	YCDF	YCDI	YCDL
Jul-Sep 2004	784	6.5	156	19.9	243	45	340	5,627	307	5.5	4,547	107	666
Jul-Sep 2005	785	6.4	176	22.4	220	46	344	5,590	363	6.5	4,492	93	642
Oct-Dec 2005	729	6.0	152	20.9	211	46	320	5,549	361	6.5	4,465	93	630
Jan-Mar 2006	810	6.6	178	22.0	241	53	338	5,616	369	6.6	4,501	98	648
Apr-Jun 2006	806	6.6	181	22.5	245	58	322	5,602	372	6.6	4,472	102	656
Jul-Sep 2006	778	6.4	169	21.7	250	49	310	5,619	365	6.5	4,470	112	671
Change on quarter	-28	-0.2	-12	-0.7	4	-9	-12	17	-6	-0.1	-2	10	15
Change %	-3.5	-0.2	-6.7	1.8	-15.1	-3.7	0.3	-1.7	0.0	9.6	2.3	0.0	2.3
Change on year	-7	-0.1	-7	-0.7	30	4	-34	29	2	0.0	-22	19	30
Change %	-0.9	-0.1	-3.9	13.6	8.2	-9.8	0.5	0.5	-0.5	20.1	4.6	0.0	4.6

Relationship between columns: 1=2+3+4+5; 1=6+7; 2=8+9; 3=10+11; 13=15+17+18+19; 20=21+23+24+25; 20=9+11; 14=13/2; 16=15/13; 22=21/20

Source: Labour Force Survey
1. The split between full-time and part-time employment is based on respondents' self-classification
2. Employees and Self-employed.
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The Labour Force Survey is a survey of the population of private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation. See Concepts and Definition

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4 Public and private sector employment

United Kingdom
(thousands), not
seasonally adjusted

		Public sector ^{1 2 3}		Private sector ⁴		Total employment ^{5 6}
		(000s)	(%)	(000s)	(%)	(000s)
		1	2	3	4	5
		C9KD	DB36	CZG8	DB37	CZG9
All in employment	Jun 03	5,641	20.0	22,555	80.0	28,196
	Jun 04	5,756	20.3	22,646	79.7	28,402
	Sep 04	5,755	20.2	22,798	79.8	28,553
	Dec 04	5,820	20.3	22,821	79.7	28,641
	Mar 05	5,835	20.4	22,746	79.6	28,581
	Jun 05	5,849	20.4	22,889	79.6	28,738
	Sep 05	5,818	20.1	23,056	79.9	28,874
	Dec 05	5,866	20.4	22,952	79.6	28,818
	Mar 06	5,851	20.3	23,014	79.7	28,865
	Jun 06	5,840	20.2	23,125	79.8	28,965
	<i>Change on year</i>	-9	-0.2	236	0.2	227
	<i>Change %</i>	-0.2		1.0		0.8

Relationship between columns: 2 = 1/5*100; 3 = 5-1; 4 = 3/5*100;

Source: Labour Force Survey and returns from public sector organisations

1. Estimates derived from public sector organisations. See special note in Concepts and Definitions.

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2. Estimates for Northern Ireland included in the UK total are sourced from the Quarterly Employment Survey and are based on jobs rather than employees.

3. Estimates from December 2005 are based partly on projections.

4. Estimated as the difference between LFS total employment and the data from public sector organisations. See special note in Concepts and Definitions.

5. LFS data for March refer to February-April, June refers to May-July, September refers to August-October and December refers to November-January.

6. Labour Force Survey employment; all aged 16 and over; not seasonally adjusted.

5(1) Workforce jobs¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		Workforce jobs	Employee jobs	Self-employment jobs	HM Forces	Government- supported trainees
		1	2	3	4	5
		DYDC	BCAJ	DYZN	LOJX	LOJU
All jobs	Jun 04	30,572	26,381	3,866	218	108
	Sep 04	30,558	26,396	3,843	217	102
	Dec 04	30,747	26,569	3,863	214	101
	Mar 05	30,832	26,663	3,857	212	100
	Jun 05	30,810	26,650	3,855	209	96
	Sep 05	30,827	26,647	3,878	208	94
	Dec 05	30,926	26,683	3,950	206	87
	Mar 06	30,993	26,718	3,991	205	79
	Jun 06	31,058	26,806	3,970	204	78
	<i>Change on quarter</i>	65	88	-20	-1	-1
	<i>Change %</i>	0.2	0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.3
	<i>Change on year</i>	248	156	115	-6	-17
	<i>Change %</i>	0.8	0.6	3.0	-2.7	-18.2

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

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For more information on Workforce Jobs see notes on Concepts and Definitions.

Other data sources are as follows:

Self-employment Jobs are provided by LFS

HM Forces figures are provided by the Ministry of Defence (MOD)

Government-supported trainees are provided by administrative sources.

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5(2) Workforce jobs¹ by industry

Standard Industrial Classification (1992)

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

SIC 92 sections	Employment and Jobs by Industry										Total services G-O
	All jobs A-O	Agriculture & fishing A,B	Energy & water C,E	Manufacturing D	Construction F	Distribution, hotels & restaurants G-H	Transport & comms. I	Finance & Business Services J-K	Education, health and public admin ² L-N	Other services O	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
All jobs	DYDC	LOLI	LOLL	LOLO	LOLR	LOLU	LOLX	LOMA	LOMD	LOMG	LOMJ
Jun 04	30,572	416	178	3,545	2,047	7,062	1,825	5,973	7,643	1,882	24,386
Sep 04	30,558	428	175	3,490	2,039	7,052	1,815	6,007	7,686	1,865	24,426
Dec 04	30,747	444	172	3,465	2,094	7,111	1,813	6,037	7,729	1,882	24,572
Mar 05	30,832	454	170	3,433	2,121	7,095	1,830	6,074	7,761	1,893	24,653
Jun 05	30,810	446	171	3,383	2,099	7,078	1,839	6,097	7,790	1,907	24,711
Sep 05	30,827	438	173	3,361	2,111	7,068	1,841	6,108	7,813	1,912	24,743
Dec 05	30,926	452	176	3,362	2,116	7,036	1,852	6,143	7,859	1,931	24,822
Mar 06	30,993	429	174	3,331	2,136	7,042	1,860	6,168	7,912	1,942	24,923
Jun 06	31,058	428	181	3,325	2,156	7,035	1,863	6,166	7,939	1,964	24,967
Change on quarter	65	0	7	-7	21	-6	3	-2	27	23	44
Change %	0.2	0.0	4.1	-0.2	1.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	1.2	0.2
Change on year	248	-18	11	-58	58	-43	24	69	149	58	256
Change %	0.8	-4.0	6.3	-1.7	2.7	-0.6	1.3	1.1	1.9	3.0	1.0
Male jobs	LOLA	LOLJ	LOLM	LOLP	LOLS	LOLV	LOLY	LOMB	LOME	LOMH	LOMK
Jun 04	16,295	319	133	2,633	1,836	3,443	1,352	3,320	2,344	915	11,374
Sep 04	16,300	322	137	2,593	1,837	3,442	1,357	3,345	2,356	911	11,411
Dec 04	16,389	331	132	2,570	1,874	3,464	1,364	3,355	2,371	928	11,482
Mar 05	16,425	335	133	2,546	1,902	3,443	1,372	3,383	2,373	937	11,509
Jun 05	16,404	329	132	2,516	1,881	3,444	1,383	3,393	2,381	947	11,547
Sep 05	16,447	322	131	2,511	1,893	3,453	1,382	3,401	2,399	955	11,589
Dec 05	16,480	335	127	2,505	1,892	3,414	1,385	3,445	2,410	967	11,621
Mar 06	16,521	320	134	2,484	1,906	3,427	1,411	3,447	2,424	970	11,678
Jun 06	16,564	320	139	2,478	1,915	3,423	1,414	3,449	2,440	986	11,712
Change on quarter	42	0	5	-6	9	-4	4	2	16	16	34
Change %	0.3	0.1	3.9	-0.3	0.5	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.7	1.7	0.3
Change on year	160	-8	7	-38	34	-21	31	56	59	39	165
Change %	1.0	-2.5	5.4	-1.5	1.8	-0.6	2.2	1.7	2.5	4.2	1.4
Female jobs	LOLB	LOLK	LOLN	LOLQ	LOLT	LOLW	LOLZ	LOMC	LOMF	LOMI	LOML
Jun 04	14,277	97	44	912	212	3,619	473	2,653	5,299	968	13,013
Sep 04	14,258	106	38	897	202	3,611	458	2,662	5,330	955	13,015
Dec 04	14,358	113	40	895	220	3,648	449	2,682	5,358	953	13,090
Mar 05	14,407	120	37	887	219	3,652	458	2,691	5,388	956	13,144
Jun 05	14,406	118	39	867	218	3,634	456	2,704	5,409	960	13,164
Sep 05	14,380	116	43	850	218	3,615	459	2,707	5,414	958	13,153
Dec 05	14,446	116	49	857	223	3,622	468	2,698	5,448	965	13,200
Mar 06	14,471	109	40	847	230	3,615	450	2,721	5,488	972	13,245
Jun 06	14,494	108	42	847	242	3,612	449	2,717	5,499	978	13,255
Change on quarter	23	-1	2	0	12	-2	-1	-4	11	7	10
Change %	0.2	-0.5	4.6	0.0	5.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.7	0.1
Change on year	88	-10	4	-20	24	-22	-7	12	90	18	91
Change %	0.6	-8.3	9.1	-2.4	10.8	-0.6	-1.6	0.5	1.7	1.9	0.7

Relationship between columns: 1=2+3+4+5+11; 11=6+7+8+9+10

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2. Column 9 includes both public and private sectors.

6 Production industry employee jobs

United Kingdom (thousands),
seasonally adjusted

	Mining, energy & water supply industries SIC 92 sections C&E			Manufacturing industries SIC 92 section D		
	Levels YEJJ	Latest 3 months averages LOMM	Latest 3 months on 3 months one year ago (%) YEJK	Levels YEJL	Latest 3 months averages LOMN	Latest 3 months on 3 months one year ago (%) YEJM
Sep 04	164	166	-8.9	3,217	3,231	-4.3
Sep 05	161	161	-3.0	3,106	3,111	-3.7
Oct 05	162	161	-1.9	3,093	3,103	-3.6
Nov 05	163	162	-0.6	3,086	3,095	-3.4
Dec 05	161	162	0.7	3,081	3,087	-3.4
Jan 06	162	162	1.2	3,065	3,077	-3.5
Feb 06	163	162	1.7	3,057	3,068	-3.6
Mar 06	165	163	1.8	3,052	3,058	-3.7
Apr 06	165	164	2.6	3,050	3,053	-3.6
May 06	166	165	3.5	3,045	3,049	-3.4
Jun 06	169	167	4.5	3,041	3,045	-3.2
Jul 06	166	167	4.4	3,038	3,041	-2.9
Aug 06	168	168	4.3	3,033	3,038	-2.6
Sep 06	168	167	4.1	3,031	3,034	-2.5

Source: Employer surveys

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7 Actual weekly hours of work

United Kingdom (hours), seasonally adjusted

	Average (mean) actual weekly hours of work				
	Total weekly hours (millions) ^{1,2}	All workers ¹	Full-time workers ³	Part-time workers ³	Second Jobs
	YBUS	YBUV	YBUY	YBVB	YBVE
People					
Jul-Sep 2004	908.9	32.0	37.2	15.6	9.5
Jul-Sep 2005	924.1	32.1	37.3	15.6	9.4
Oct-Dec 2005	921.8	32.1	37.2	15.8	9.4
Jan-Mar 2006	924.3	32.0	37.1	15.7	9.3
Apr-Jun 2006	926.3	32.1	37.2	15.6	9.5
Jul-Sep 2006	925.4	32.0	37.1	15.6	9.4
Change on quarter	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Change %	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-1.3
Change on year	1.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Change %	0.1	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7
Men					
Jul-Sep 2004	566.2	36.9	39.0	15.7	10.7
Jul-Sep 2005	571.3	36.9	39.1	15.5	10.0
Oct-Dec 2005	569.6	36.8	39.0	15.6	10.1
Jan-Mar 2006	569.4	36.7	38.9	15.6	10.0
Apr-Jun 2006	571.6	36.7	38.9	15.4	10.2
Jul-Sep 2006	571.8	36.6	38.9	15.3	10.1
Change on quarter	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Change %	0.0	-0.4	-0.2	-0.3	-1.4
Change on year	0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.1
Change %	0.1	-0.8	-0.6	-0.8	0.6
Women					
Jul-Sep 2004	342.7	26.3	33.9	15.6	8.5
Jul-Sep 2005	352.8	26.6	34.0	15.7	9.0
Oct-Dec 2005	352.3	26.6	34.0	15.8	8.9
Jan-Mar 2006	354.9	26.6	34.0	15.8	8.8
Apr-Jun 2006	354.8	26.6	34.0	15.7	8.9
Jul-Sep 2006	353.6	26.5	34.0	15.6	8.9
Change on quarter	-1.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Change %	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-1.1
Change on year	0.8	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Change %	0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	-1.6

1. Main and second job.

Source: Labour Force Survey

2. Total actual weekly hours worked including paid and unpaid overtime.

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3. Main job only. The split between full-time and part-time employment is based on respondents' self-classification.

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8 Usual weekly hours of work¹

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	All in Employment (%)			Employees (%)			Self-Employed (%)		
	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women
	Jul-Sep 2005								
Less than 6 Hours	1.4	0.7	2.2	1.2	0.6	1.8	2.4	1.4	5.2
6 up to 15 hours	7.1	3.3	11.5	6.9	3.3	10.8	7.7	3.5	19.0
16 up to 30 hours	17.6	7.4	29.5	17.7	6.4	29.5	16.9	11.8	30.9
31 up to 45 hours	53.0	58.0	47.2	55.1	61.0	48.9	39.0	43.5	26.5
Over 45 hours	20.9	30.6	9.7	19.2	28.9	9.0	34.0	39.7	18.4
Total (thousands)	28,794	15,506	13,288	24,936	12,730	12,206	3,661	2,680	981
Apr-Jun 2006									
Less than 6 Hours	1.4	0.7	2.3	1.2	0.5	1.9	2.4	1.1	6.1
6 up to 15 hours	7.1	3.4	11.4	7.0	3.3	10.9	7.4	4.0	16.4
16 up to 30 hours	17.6	7.5	29.4	17.7	6.7	29.2	17.1	11.1	33.1
31 up to 45 hours	53.3	58.4	47.2	55.4	61.7	48.8	39.3	43.2	29.0
Over 45 hours	20.6	30.0	9.7	18.8	27.9	9.3	33.8	40.6	15.5
Total (thousands)	28,930	15,578	13,352	25,023	12,783	12,240	3,719	2,704	1,015
Jul-Sep 2006									
Less than 6 Hours	1.5	0.7	2.5	1.2	0.6	2.0	2.8	1.3	6.6
6 up to 15 hours	7.0	3.4	11.2	6.9	3.2	10.8	7.4	4.1	16.2
16 up to 30 hours	17.8	7.7	29.7	17.8	6.8	29.5	17.4	11.7	32.5
31 up to 45 hours	53.6	58.9	47.2	55.7	62.2	48.8	40.0	43.8	29.7
Over 45 hours	20.1	29.3	9.4	18.4	27.4	8.9	32.4	39.0	15.0
Total (thousands)	28,986	15,642	13,344	25,026	12,811	12,214	3,759	2,730	1,029

1. Total usual weekly hours worked in main job including paid and unpaid overtime.

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

UNEMPLOYMENT

9(1) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	All aged 16 & over							All aged 16 - 59/64						
	All	Rate(%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Rate(%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
People	MGSC	MGSX	YBWF	YBWG	YBWH	YBWI	YBWL	YBSH	YBTI	YBWO	YBWR	YBWU	YBWV	YBXA
Jul-Sep 2004	1,400	4.7	912	209	280	20.0	125	1,383	4.8	903	206	275	19.8	122
Jul-Sep 2005	1,447	4.8	910	242	296	20.5	136	1,423	4.9	897	238	288	20.2	131
Oct-Dec 2005	1,554	5.1	974	249	332	21.3	162	1,532	5.3	963	245	324	21.1	157
Jan-Mar 2006	1,599	5.2	985	278	336	21.0	160	1,572	5.4	970	274	328	20.8	155
Apr-Jun 2006	1,683	5.5	1,024	303	356	21.2	167	1,656	5.6	1,009	298	348	21.0	162
Jul-Sep 2006	1,711	5.6	1,024	293	394	23.0	184	1,681	5.7	1,009	288	384	22.8	178
Change on quarter	27	0.1	0	-10	37	1.8	17	25	0.1	0	-11	35	1.8	15
Change %	1.6		0.0	-3.4	10.4		10.0	1.5		0.0	-3.5	10.1		9.3
Change on year	263	0.8	114	51	98	2.6	48	258	0.8	112	50	96	2.6	46
Change %	18.2		12.6	21.2	33.0		35.1	18.2		12.5	21.1	33.3		35.1
Men	MGSD	MGSY	MGYK	MGYM	MGYO	YBWI	YBWM	YBSI	YBTJ	YBWP	YBWS	YBWV	YBWX	YBXC
Jul-Sep 2004	821	5.1	492	133	195	23.8	96	813	5.1	489	132	192	23.7	94
Jul-Sep 2005	859	5.3	500	146	212	24.7	103	849	5.3	496	145	208	24.5	100
Oct-Dec 2005	916	5.6	535	143	238	26.0	119	905	5.6	530	142	233	25.8	116
Jan-Mar 2006	932	5.7	531	166	235	25.3	119	922	5.7	527	164	231	25.1	116
Apr-Jun 2006	975	5.9	546	177	252	25.8	122	963	6.0	542	175	247	25.6	120
Jul-Sep 2006	994	6.0	545	176	273	27.5	135	980	6.0	539	174	267	27.3	131
Change on quarter	19	0.1	-1	-1	21	1.7	12	17	0.1	-3	-1	20	1.6	11
Change %	2.0		-0.3	-0.4	8.5		9.9	1.7		-0.5	-0.7	8.2		9.4
Change on year	135	0.7	45	30	61	2.7	32	131	0.7	43	29	59	2.8	31
Change %	15.7		8.9	20.3	28.6		30.7	15.4		8.6	20.1	28.5		30.6
Women	MGSE	MGSZ	MGYL	MGYN	MGYP	YBWK	YBWN	YBSJ	YBTK	YBWP	YBWT	YBWW	YBWX	YBXC
Jul-Sep 2004	579	4.2	420	75	84	14.5	29	570	4.4	414	74	82	14.4	28
Jul-Sep 2005	588	4.2	409	95	84	14.2	33	574	4.4	401	93	80	13.9	31
Oct-Dec 2005	638	4.6	439	105	94	14.7	43	627	4.8	433	103	91	14.5	41
Jan-Mar 2006	667	4.8	454	112	101	15.1	42	650	4.9	444	110	97	14.9	39
Apr-Jun 2006	708	5.0	477	126	105	14.8	45	692	5.2	468	124	101	14.6	43
Jul-Sep 2006	716	5.1	479	117	121	16.8	49	701	5.3	470	114	116	16.6	47
Change on quarter	8	0.1	2	-9	16	2.0	5	9	0.1	3	-9	15	2.0	4
Change %	1.1		0.4	-7.5	15.0		10.3	1.2		0.6	-7.6	14.9		9.1
Change on year	128	0.9	70	22	37	2.6	16	127	0.9	70	21	37	2.7	15
Change %	21.8		17.0	22.7	44.1		49.0	22.2		17.4	22.7	45.8		49.6

	16-17							18-24						
	All	Rate(%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Rate(%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
People	YBVH	YBVK	YBXD	YBXG	YBXJ	YBXM	YBXP	YBVN	YBVQ	YBXS	YBXV	YBXY	YBYB	YBYE
Jul-Sep 2004	187	22.3	147	29	11	6.0	*	404	10.4	293	57	53	13.2	18
Jul-Sep 2005	178	22.7	138	28	11	6.4	*	436	11.0	298	76	62	14.2	27
Oct-Dec 2005	187	25.0	147	29	12	6.2	*	472	11.9	321	77	75	15.8	35
Jan-Mar 2006	178	24.0	132	33	13	7.3	*	473	11.7	320	81	72	15.2	32
Apr-Jun 2006	179	24.1	129	37	13	7.3	*	520	12.7	350	89	80	15.4	32
Jul-Sep 2006	186	25.4	143	26	16	8.7	*	523	12.7	344	93	86	16.4	32
Change on quarter	7	1.3	14	-10	3	1.3	*	3	-0.1	-6	4	5	1.0	0
Change %	3.8		11.0	-28.5	22.7		*	0.5		-1.8	4.0	6.8		0.0
Change on year	8	2.7	5	-2	5	2.3	*	87	1.6	46	17	24	2.2	6
Change %	4.5		3.7	-7.1	42.1		*	19.9		15.4	22.7	38.0		21.4
Men	YBVI	YBVL	YBXE	YBXH	YBXK	YBXN	YBXQ	YBVO	YBVR	YBXT	YBXW	YBXZ	YBYC	YBYF
Jul-Sep 2004	112	26.4	84	20	*	*	*	232	11.2	156	39	37	16.1	14
Jul-Sep 2005	104	26.6	80	15	*	*	*	272	12.7	175	48	48	17.8	22
Oct-Dec 2005	104	28.0	76	18	*	*	*	293	13.6	189	48	56	19.1	29
Jan-Mar 2006	110	30.1	79	22	*	*	*	284	13.2	181	50	54	18.9	27
Apr-Jun 2006	104	28.4	74	21	10	9.2	*	313	14.4	197	55	61	19.5	28
Jul-Sep 2006	103	28.6	75	18	10	10.0	*	317	14.3	192	60	65	20.5	30
Change on quarter	-1	0.2	1	-2	1	0.8	*	5	-0.1	-4	5	4	1.0	2
Change %	-0.8		1.0	-11.0	7.6		*	1.5		-2.2	8.8	6.6		7.6
Change on year	-1	2.0	-5	3	*	*	*	46	1.5	17	12	17	2.6	8
Change %	-0.5		-6.8	19.5	*	*	*	16.8		9.8	24.5	34.1		37.7
Women	YBVJ	YBVM	YBXF	YBXI	YBXL	YBXO	YBXR	YBVP	YBVS	YBXU	YBXX	YBYA	YBYD	YBYG
Jul-Sep 2004	75	18.1	62	*	*	*	*	172	9.4	138	19	16	9.2	*
Jul-Sep 2005	74	18.7	58	13	*	*	*	164	9.0	123	28	14	8.3	*
Oct-Dec 2005	84	22.1	71	11	*	*	*	180	9.8	132	29	19	10.4	*
Jan-Mar 2006	68	18.1	53	11	*	*	*	189	10.1	140	31	18	9.6	*
Apr-Jun 2006	74	19.9	55	16	*	*	*	207	10.9	154	34	19	9.3	*
Jul-Sep 2006	82	22.2	69	*	*	*	*	205	10.8	152	33	21	10.1	*
Change on quarter	8	2.3	14	*	*	*	*	-2	-0.1	-2	-1	1	0.8	*
Change %	10.3		24.6	*	*	*	*	-0.9		-1.3	-3.6	7.4		*
Change on year	8	3.5	11	*	*	*	*	41	1.8	29	5	7	1.8	*
Change %	11.5		18.3	*	*	*	*	25.1		23.3	19.6	52.2		*

Relationship between columns: 1=3+4+5; 8=10+11+12; 15=17+18+19; 22=24+25+26.

Source: Labour Force Survey

1. Denominator = economically active for that age group.

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UNEMPLOYMENT

9(2) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	25-49							50 and over						
	All	Rate(%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Rate(%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	MGVI	MGXB	YBYH	YBYK	YBYN	YBYQ	YBYT	YBVT	YBVW	YBYW	YBYZ	YBZC	YBZF	YBZI
People														
Jul-Sep 2004	605	3.4	365	92	148	24.5	66	205	2.7	107	31	67	32.9	41
Jul-Sep 2005	615	3.4	370	103	141	23.0	60	219	2.9	103	35	82	37.2	48
Oct-Dec 2005	672	3.8	404	107	160	23.8	72	223	2.9	102	36	85	38.2	54
Jan-Mar 2006	719	4.0	425	126	168	23.4	75	228	2.9	107	38	83	36.3	54
Apr-Jun 2006	746	4.2	425	137	184	24.6	87	238	3.0	119	40	79	33.3	47
Jul-Sep 2006	751	4.2	418	132	201	26.7	94	251	3.2	119	41	91	36.3	57
<i>Change on quarter</i>	5	0.0	-7	-5	17	2.1	7	12	0.1	0	1	12	3.0	10
<i>Change %</i>	0.7		-1.7	-3.4	9.4		7.7	5.2		-0.3	3.0	14.6		20.9
<i>Change on year</i>	137	0.7	48	29	60	3.8	34	32	0.3	16	7	9	-1.0	9
<i>Change %</i>	22.3		12.9	28.5	42.4		56.6	14.4		15.0	19.4	11.4		18.2
Men														
Jul-Sep 2004	338	3.6	184	55	99	29.2	50	140	3.3	68	20	52	37.4	32
Jul-Sep 2005	340	3.6	187	59	95	27.9	42	143	3.3	59	24	61	42.4	39
Oct-Dec 2005	373	3.9	211	54	108	29.0	48	146	3.4	59	23	64	44.1	42
Jan-Mar 2006	395	4.1	216	69	110	27.8	50	142	3.3	54	24	63	44.5	42
Apr-Jun 2006	410	4.3	211	76	122	29.9	58	148	3.4	64	25	59	39.7	37
Jul-Sep 2006	412	4.3	209	71	132	32.1	63	161	3.7	69	27	66	40.7	42
<i>Change on quarter</i>	2	0.0	-3	-5	10	2.2	4	13	0.3	5	1	7	1.0	5
<i>Change %</i>	0.5		-1.4	-6.2	8.0		7.7	9.0		7.9	5.3	11.7		14.9
<i>Change on year</i>	71	0.7	22	12	37	4.2	20	18	0.4	11	3	5	-1.8	4
<i>Change %</i>	21.0		11.8	20.5	39.3		47.9	12.9		18.4	11.5	8.2		9.6
Women														
Jul-Sep 2004	267	3.3	180	37	49	18.4	16	66	2.0	40	11	15	23.2	*
Jul-Sep 2005	274	3.3	184	44	46	16.9	18	76	2.3	45	11	21	27.5	10
Oct-Dec 2005	298	3.6	193	53	52	17.4	24	76	2.2	43	13	21	27.1	12
Jan-Mar 2006	324	3.9	209	57	58	18.0	24	86	2.5	53	14	20	22.7	12
Apr-Jun 2006	337	4.0	214	61	61	18.3	29	90	2.6	55	15	21	22.9	10
Jul-Sep 2006	340	4.1	209	61	69	20.3	31	89	2.6	49	15	25	28.3	15
<i>Change on quarter</i>	3	0.0	-4	0	7	2.0	2	-1	0.0	-5	0	5	5.5	4
<i>Change %</i>	0.9		-2.1	0.0	12.1		7.8	-1.0		-9.9	-0.8	22.6		42.1
<i>Change on year</i>	65	0.8	26	17	23	3.4	14	13	0.3	5	4	4	0.9	5
<i>Change %</i>	23.9		13.9	39.1	49.0		77.3	17.1		10.6	36.7	20.8		52.1

Relationship between columns: 1=3+4+5; 8=10+11+12.

1. Denominator = economically active for that age group.

Source: Labour Force Survey

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CLAIMANT COUNT

10 Claimant count¹ levels and rates

United Kingdom (thousands)
seasonally adjusted

	Claimant count		Inflows (standardised ³)	Outflows (standardised ³)	Claimant count (not seasonally adjusted)	
	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) ²
	BCJD	BCJE	DPRD	DPRE	BCJA	BCJB
People						
2005						
October #	891.2	2.8	205.1	194.2	864.8	2.7
November	901.3	2.8	210.4	199.4	875.3	2.8
December	907.9	2.9	206.1	198.0	892.7	2.8
2006						
January #	905.1	2.9	202.3	204.4	955.3	3.0
February	925.0	2.9	209.6	193.3	984.7	3.1
March	937.8	3.0	213.3	198.4	989.1	3.1
April #	945.1	3.0	201.9	192.9	981.2	3.1
May	950.7	3.0	207.6	204.7	965.7	3.1
June	955.0	3.0	206.5	202.4	952.9	3.0
July #	954.0	3.0	205.1	204.2	960.8	3.0
August	951.8	3.0	210.0	214.7	958.9	3.0
September # (r)	960.1	3.0	217.7	209.4	952.9	3.0
October (p)	961.3	3.0	212.1	212.7	933.7	3.0
<i>Change on month</i>	1.2	0.0	-5.6	3.3	-19.2	-0.1
<i>Change %</i>	0.1		-2.6	1.6	-2.0	
<i>Change on year</i>	70.1	0.2	7.0	18.5	68.8	0.2
<i>Change %</i>	7.9		3.4	9.5	8.0	
	DPAE	DPAH	GDZX	GEYR	DPAA	DPAC
Men						
2005						
October #	661.5	3.9	145.3	137.6	634.8	3.7
November	668.6	3.9	149.3	141.0	646.5	3.8
December	673.3	4.0	146.1	140.0	665.0	3.9
2006						
January #	669.9	3.9	143.0	145.6	711.6	4.2
February	685.2	4.0	148.2	136.4	730.9	4.3
March	695.2	4.1	150.8	140.1	734.1	4.3
April #	700.7	4.1	142.7	134.9	727.3	4.3
May	703.8	4.1	145.8	145.5	715.7	4.2
June	706.4	4.2	145.5	143.1	704.5	4.1
July #	704.3	4.1	144.2	144.3	701.9	4.1
August	701.5	4.1	147.4	152.4	694.0	4.1
September # (r)	706.1	4.2	153.3	148.0	689.7	4.1
October (p)	705.8	4.1	148.9	150.3	677.8	4.0
<i>Change on month</i>	-0.3	0.0	-4.4	2.3	-11.8	-0.1
<i>Change %</i>	0.0		-2.9	1.6	-1.7	
<i>Change on year</i>	44.3	0.3	3.6	12.7	43.0	0.3
<i>Change %</i>	6.7		2.5	9.2	6.8	
	DPAF	DPAI	GEYS	GEYT	DPAB	DPAD
Women						
2005						
October #	229.7	1.6	59.8	56.6	230.0	1.6
November	232.7	1.6	61.1	58.4	228.8	1.6
December	234.6	1.6	60.0	58.0	227.7	1.6
2006						
January #	235.2	1.6	59.3	58.8	243.8	1.7
February	239.8	1.6	61.4	56.9	253.8	1.7
March	242.6	1.7	62.5	58.3	255.1	1.7
April #	244.4	1.7	59.2	58.0	253.9	1.7
May	246.9	1.7	61.8	59.2	250.1	1.7
June	248.6	1.7	61.0	59.3	248.4	1.7
July #	249.7	1.7	60.9	59.9	258.9	1.8
August	250.3	1.7	62.6	62.3	264.8	1.8
September # (r)	254.0	1.7	64.4	61.4	263.3	1.8
October (p)	255.5	1.7	63.2	62.4	255.8	1.7
<i>Change on month</i>	1.5	0.0	-1.2	1.0	-7.4	-0.1
<i>Change %</i>	0.6		-1.9	1.6	-2.8	
<i>Change on year</i>	25.8	0.2	3.4	5.8	25.8	0.2
<i>Change %</i>	11.2		5.7	10.2	11.2	

1. The number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance.

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system.

2. Denominator = Claimant count + Workforce jobs.

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3. Flow figures are collected for 4 or 5 week periods between count dates; the figures are then converted to a standard 4¹/₃ week month.

The claimant count inflows, standardised to a 4¹/₃ week month but not seasonally adjusted, for October 2006 were 220,500 in total;

152,400 men and 68,200 women. The corresponding outflow figures were 239,700 in total; 164,100 men and 75,600 women. For non-seasonally adjusted claimant flows for earlier months, see table F.21 of *Labour Market Trends*.

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

CLAIMANT COUNT

11(1) Claimant count¹ by age and duration - computerised claims only²

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	All aged 18 and over							18-24					
	All claimants	All computerised claims ²	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	Percentage claiming over 12 months	All over 24 months	All computerised claims ²	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	Percentage claiming over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
People	BCJD	AGLX	AGLZ	AGMC	AGMD	AGMY	AGMZ	AGNA	AGNB	AGNC	AGND	AGNE	AGNF
2005													
October #	891.2	885.0	597.6	162.0	125.4	14.2	40.6	265.8	215.5	42.1	8.2	3.1	1.0
November	901.3	896.1	601.7	166.7	127.7	14.3	41.1	270.2	218.4	43.2	8.6	3.2	1.1
December	907.9	902.5	604.1	168.7	129.7	14.4	41.2	272.6	220.1	43.7	8.8	3.2	1.1
2006													
January #	905.1	899.7	599.3	168.6	131.8	14.6	41.0	272.8	220.4	43.2	9.2	3.4	1.1
February	925.0	919.6	610.7	173.3	135.6	14.7	41.6	277.6	223.8	44.4	9.4	3.4	1.1
March	937.8	932.4	618.2	175.1	139.1	14.9	41.8	282.0	227.3	44.7	10.0	3.5	1.2
April #	945.1	939.9	615.9	180.6	143.4	15.3	42.0	285.5	227.6	47.4	10.5	3.7	1.2
May	950.7	946.1	615.4	183.7	147.0	15.5	42.4	287.7	227.8	49.1	10.8	3.8	1.3
June	955.0	950.2	613.3	186.6	150.3	15.8	42.8	289.1	227.4	50.5	11.2	3.9	1.3
July #	954.0	949.5	608.6	187.4	153.5	16.2	43.2	289.3	226.8	50.9	11.6	4.0	1.4
August	951.8	947.4	606.0	185.2	156.2	16.5	43.5	288.3	226.7	49.9	11.7	4.1	1.5
September # (r)	960.1	955.6	610.8	185.3	159.5	16.7	44.0	290.9	229.4	49.8	11.7	4.0	1.5
October (p)	961.3	956.6	610.7	184.5	161.4	16.9	44.2	291.9	230.7	49.6	11.6	4.0	1.6
Change on month	1.2	1.0	-0.1	-0.8	1.9	0.2	0.2	1.0	1.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Change %	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.4	1.2		0.5	0.3	0.6	-0.4	-0.9		6.7
Change on year	70.1	71.6	13.1	22.5	36.0	2.7	3.6	26.1	15.2	7.5	3.4	0.9	0.6
Change %	7.9	8.1	2.2	13.9	28.7		8.9	9.8	7.1	17.8	41.5		60.0
Men	DPAE	AGNG	AGXK	ELNP	ELON	GBHG	IKBS	JLGC	JLGD	JLGE	JLGF	JLGG	JLGH
2005													
October #	661.5	657.3	433.9	123.6	99.8	15.2	32.8	183.4	148.3	29.4	5.7	3.1	0.6
November	668.6	665.0	436.3	127.3	101.4	15.2	33.1	186.5	150.3	30.3	5.9	3.2	0.7
December	673.3	669.4	437.8	128.6	103.0	15.4	33.2	187.8	151.2	30.5	6.1	3.2	0.7
2006													
January #	669.9	666.2	433.5	128.1	104.6	15.7	33.0	187.6	151.3	29.9	6.4	3.4	0.7
February	685.2	681.5	441.9	131.9	107.7	15.8	33.5	191.1	153.7	30.9	6.5	3.4	0.7
March	695.2	691.7	447.4	133.6	110.7	16.0	33.7	194.4	156.2	31.2	7.0	3.6	0.8
April #	700.7	697.2	446.2	137.2	113.8	16.3	33.7	196.6	156.3	33.0	7.3	3.7	0.8
May	703.8	700.6	443.9	139.8	116.9	16.7	34.1	197.9	156.1	34.3	7.5	3.8	0.9
June	706.4	703.1	441.9	141.7	119.5	17.0	34.5	198.7	155.7	35.2	7.8	3.9	0.9
July #	704.3	701.0	437.4	141.8	121.8	17.4	34.7	198.0	154.8	35.2	8.0	4.0	0.9
August	701.5	698.5	434.5	140.0	124.0	17.8	34.9	197.1	154.5	34.5	8.1	4.1	1.0
September # (r)	706.1	703.1	436.6	139.9	126.6	18.0	35.3	197.8	155.3	34.4	8.1	4.1	1.0
October (p)	705.8	702.6	435.4	139.2	128.0	18.2	35.5	198.3	155.9	34.3	8.1	4.1	1.1
Change on month	-0.3	-0.5	-1.2	-0.7	1.4	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.6	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Change %	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	1.1		0.6	0.3	0.4	-0.3	0.0		10.0
Change on year	44.3	45.3	1.5	15.6	28.2	3.0	2.7	14.9	7.6	4.9	2.4	1.0	0.5
Change %	6.7	6.9	0.3	12.6	28.3		8.2	8.1	5.1	16.7	42.1		83.3
Women	DPAF	JLGI	JLJK	JLJG	JLJL	JLJM	JLJN	JLJO	JLJP	JLJQ	JLJR	JLJS	JLJT
2005													
October #	229.7	227.7	163.7	38.4	25.6	11.2	7.8	82.4	67.2	12.7	2.5	3.0	0.4
November	232.7	231.1	165.4	39.4	26.3	11.4	8.0	83.7	68.1	12.9	2.7	3.2	0.4
December	234.6	233.1	166.3	40.1	26.7	11.5	8.0	84.8	68.9	13.2	2.7	3.2	0.4
2006													
January #	235.2	233.5	165.8	40.5	27.2	11.6	8.0	85.2	69.1	13.3	2.8	3.3	0.4
February	239.8	238.1	168.8	41.4	27.9	11.7	8.1	86.5	70.1	13.5	2.9	3.4	0.4
March	242.6	240.7	170.8	41.5	28.4	11.8	8.1	87.6	71.1	13.5	3.0	3.4	0.4
April #	244.4	242.7	169.7	43.4	29.6	12.2	8.3	88.9	71.3	14.4	3.2	3.6	0.4
May	246.9	245.5	171.5	43.9	30.1	12.3	8.3	89.8	71.7	14.8	3.3	3.7	0.4
June	248.6	247.1	171.4	44.9	30.8	12.5	8.3	90.4	71.7	15.3	3.4	3.8	0.4
July #	249.7	248.5	171.2	45.6	31.7	12.8	8.5	91.3	72.0	15.7	3.6	3.9	0.5
August	250.3	248.9	171.5	45.2	32.2	12.9	8.6	91.2	72.2	15.4	3.6	3.9	0.5
September # (r)	254.0	252.5	174.2	45.4	32.9	13.0	8.7	93.1	74.1	15.4	3.6	3.9	0.5
October (p)	255.5	254.0	175.3	45.3	33.4	13.1	8.7	93.6	74.8	15.3	3.5	3.7	0.5
Change on month	1.5	1.5	1.1	-0.1	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.7	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
Change %	0.6	0.6	0.6	-0.2	1.5		0.0	0.5	0.9	-0.6	-2.8		0.0
Change on year	25.8	26.3	11.6	6.9	7.8	1.9	0.9	11.2	7.6	2.6	1.0	0.7	0.1
Change %	11.2	11.6	7.1	18.0	30.5		11.5	13.6	11.3	20.5	40.0		25.0

Relationship between columns: 2= 3+4+5; 6= 5/2; 8= 9+10+11; 12= 11/8.

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CLAIMANT COUNT

11(2) Claimant count¹ by age and duration - computerised claims only²

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	25-49						50 and over					
	All computerised claims ²	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	Percentage claiming over 12 months	All over 24 months	All computerised claims ²	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	Percentage claiming over 12 months	All over 24 months
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	JLGU	JLGV	JLGW	JLGX	JLGY	JLGZ	JLHA	JLHB	JLHC	JLHD	JLHE	JLHF
People												
2005												
October #	473.3	302.6	94.7	76.0	16.1	17.2	145.9	79.5	25.2	41.2	28.2	22.4
November	478.1	303.5	97.4	77.2	16.1	17.4	147.8	79.8	26.1	41.9	28.3	22.6
December	481.2	304.0	98.6	78.6	16.3	17.5	148.7	80.0	26.4	42.3	28.4	22.6
2006												
January #	478.9	300.1	98.9	79.9	16.7	17.5	148.0	78.8	26.5	42.7	28.9	22.4
February	490.1	305.9	101.5	82.7	16.9	17.8	151.9	81.0	27.4	43.5	28.6	22.7
March	496.5	308.9	102.7	84.9	17.1	17.9	153.9	82.0	27.7	44.2	28.7	22.7
April #	500.1	307.6	104.9	87.6	17.5	18.0	154.3	80.7	28.3	45.3	29.4	22.8
May	502.2	305.8	106.2	90.2	18.0	18.2	156.2	81.8	28.4	46.0	29.4	22.9
June	504.3	304.5	107.6	92.2	18.3	18.5	156.8	81.4	28.5	46.9	29.9	23.0
July #	504.0	301.6	108.0	94.4	18.7	18.7	156.2	80.2	28.5	47.5	30.4	23.1
August	503.1	299.7	107.0	96.4	19.2	18.9	156.0	79.6	28.3	48.1	30.8	23.1
September # (r)	506.7	301.0	107.2	98.5	19.4	19.1	158.0	80.4	28.3	49.3	31.2	23.4
October (p)	506.9	300.2	106.7	100.0	19.7	19.1	157.8	79.8	28.2	49.8	31.6	23.5
Change on month	0.2	-0.8	-0.5	1.5	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	-0.1	0.5	0.4	0.1
Change %	0.0	-0.3	-0.5	1.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.7	-0.4	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.1
Change on year	33.6	-2.4	12.0	24.0	3.7	1.9	11.9	0.3	3.0	8.6	3.3	1.1
Change %	7.1	-0.8	12.7	31.6	11.0	8.2	0.4	11.9	20.9	20.9	4.9	4.9
Men	AGMA	JLHG	JLHH	JLHI	JLHJ	JLHK	JLHL	JLHM	JLHN	JLHO	JLHP	JLHQ
2005												
October #	368.4	230.4	75.9	62.1	16.9	14.2	105.5	55.2	18.3	32.0	30.3	18.0
November	371.8	230.8	78.0	63.0	16.9	14.3	106.7	55.2	19.0	32.5	30.5	18.1
December	374.2	231.1	78.9	64.2	17.2	14.4	107.4	55.5	19.2	32.7	30.4	18.1
2006												
January #	372.0	227.9	78.9	65.2	17.5	14.4	106.6	54.3	19.3	33.0	31.0	17.9
February	380.9	232.4	81.0	67.5	17.7	14.7	109.5	55.8	20.0	33.7	30.8	18.1
March	386.4	234.8	82.2	69.4	18.0	14.7	110.9	56.4	20.2	34.3	30.9	18.2
April #	389.2	234.0	83.7	71.5	18.4	14.7	111.4	55.9	20.5	35.0	31.4	18.2
May	390.6	232.0	84.9	73.7	18.9	14.9	112.1	55.8	20.6	35.7	31.8	18.3
June	392.0	230.8	85.9	75.3	19.2	15.2	112.4	55.4	20.6	36.4	32.4	18.4
July #	391.5	228.3	86.1	77.1	19.7	15.4	111.5	54.3	20.5	36.7	32.9	18.4
August	389.9	226.1	85.2	78.6	20.2	15.5	111.5	53.9	20.3	37.3	33.5	18.4
September # (r)	392.3	226.8	85.2	80.3	20.5	15.7	113.0	54.5	20.3	38.2	33.8	18.6
October (p)	391.8	225.7	84.7	81.4	20.8	15.7	112.5	53.8	20.2	38.5	34.2	18.7
Change on month	-0.5	-1.1	-0.5	1.1	0.3	0.0	-0.5	-0.7	-0.1	0.3	0.4	0.1
Change %	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6	1.4	0.0	-0.4	-1.3	-0.5	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.5
Change on year	23.4	-4.7	8.8	19.3	3.9	1.5	7.0	-1.4	1.9	6.5	3.9	0.7
Change %	6.4	-2.0	11.6	31.1	10.6	6.6	-2.5	10.4	20.3	20.3	3.9	3.9
Women	JLHR	JLHS	JLHT	JLHU	JLHV	JLHW	JLHX	JLHY	JLHZ	JLIA	JLIB	JLIC
2005												
October #	104.9	72.2	18.8	13.9	13.3	3.0	40.4	24.3	6.9	9.2	22.8	4.4
November	106.3	72.7	19.4	14.2	13.4	3.1	41.1	24.6	7.1	9.4	22.9	4.5
December	107.0	72.9	19.7	14.4	13.5	3.1	41.3	24.5	7.2	9.6	23.2	4.5
2006												
January #	106.9	72.2	20.0	14.7	13.8	3.1	41.4	24.5	7.2	9.7	23.4	4.5
February	109.2	73.5	20.5	15.2	13.9	3.1	42.4	25.2	7.4	9.8	23.1	4.6
March	110.1	74.1	20.5	15.5	14.1	3.2	43.0	25.6	7.5	9.9	23.0	4.5
April #	110.9	73.6	21.2	16.1	14.5	3.3	42.9	24.8	7.8	10.3	24.0	4.6
May	111.6	73.8	21.3	16.5	14.8	3.3	44.1	26.0	7.8	10.3	23.4	4.6
June	112.3	73.7	21.7	16.9	15.0	3.3	44.4	26.0	7.9	10.5	23.6	4.6
July #	112.5	73.3	21.9	17.3	15.4	3.3	44.7	25.9	8.0	10.8	24.2	4.7
August	113.2	73.6	21.8	17.8	15.7	3.4	44.5	25.7	8.0	10.8	24.3	4.7
September # (r)	114.4	74.2	22.0	18.2	15.9	3.4	45.0	25.9	8.0	11.1	24.7	4.8
October (p)	115.1	74.5	22.0	18.6	16.2	3.4	45.3	26.0	8.0	11.3	24.9	4.8
Change on month	0.7	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0
Change %	0.6	0.4	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0
Change on year	10.2	2.3	3.2	4.7	2.9	0.4	4.9	1.7	1.1	2.1	2.2	0.4
Change %	9.7	3.2	17.0	33.8	13.3	12.1	7.0	15.9	22.8	22.8	9.1	9.1

Relationship between columns: 14 = 15+16+17; 18 = 17/14; 20 = 21+22+23; 24 = 23/20.

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

12(1) Economic activity by age

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	All aged	16 - 59/64	16 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64 (m) & 50 - 59 (w)	65+ (m) & 60+ (w)
	16 & over							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Economically active								
People	MGSF	YBSK	YBZL	YBZO	YBZR	YBZU	YBZX	YCAD
Jul-Sep 2004	29,850	28,839	837	3,897	6,555	11,070	6,479	1,012
Jul-Sep 2005	30,242	29,145	783	3,954	6,559	11,257	6,591	1,097
Oct-Dec 2005	30,312	29,173	749	3,978	6,568	11,281	6,597	1,139
Jan-Mar 2006	30,486	29,326	741	4,041	6,578	11,348	6,618	1,160
Apr-Jun 2006	30,613	29,430	741	4,085	6,591	11,356	6,657	1,183
Jul-Sep 2006	30,696	29,475	731	4,126	6,550	11,395	6,672	1,222
<i>Change on quarter</i>	83	44	-10	41	-41	39	15	39
<i>Change %</i>	0.3	0.1	-1.3	1.0	-0.6	0.3	0.2	3.3
<i>Change on year</i>	455	330	-52	173	-10	138	81	125
<i>Change %</i>	1.5	1.1	-6.6	4.4	-0.1	1.2	1.2	11.4
Men	MMSG	YBSL	YBZM	YBZP	YBZS	YBZV	YBZY	YCAE
Jul-Sep 2004	16,207	15,859	423	2,076	3,576	5,918	3,866	348
Jul-Sep 2005	16,366	15,990	391	2,133	3,580	5,960	3,926	376
Oct-Dec 2005	16,431	16,038	370	2,149	3,587	5,991	3,942	392
Jan-Mar 2006	16,471	16,080	366	2,161	3,585	6,032	3,935	391
Apr-Jun 2006	16,553	16,149	367	2,179	3,589	6,047	3,967	404
Jul-Sep 2006	16,636	16,221	362	2,224	3,576	6,082	3,977	416
<i>Change on quarter</i>	84	72	-5	44	-13	35	11	12
<i>Change %</i>	0.5	0.4	-1.3	2.0	-0.4	0.6	0.3	3.0
<i>Change on year</i>	271	231	-29	91	-4	121	51	40
<i>Change %</i>	1.7	1.4	-7.3	4.3	-0.1	2.0	1.3	10.6
Women	MGSF	YBSM	YBZN	YBZQ	YBZT	YBZW	YBZZ	YCAF
Jul-Sep 2004	13,643	12,980	414	1,820	2,980	5,152	2,613	664
Jul-Sep 2005	13,876	13,155	393	1,821	2,979	5,297	2,665	721
Oct-Dec 2005	13,881	13,134	379	1,829	2,981	5,290	2,654	747
Jan-Mar 2006	14,015	13,246	375	1,879	2,993	5,316	2,683	769
Apr-Jun 2006	14,061	13,281	374	1,906	3,002	5,309	2,690	779
Jul-Sep 2006	14,060	13,254	369	1,902	2,974	5,313	2,695	806
<i>Change on quarter</i>	-1	-28	-5	-4	-28	4	5	27
<i>Change %</i>	0.0	-0.2	-1.3	-0.2	-0.9	0.1	0.2	3.4
<i>Change on year</i>	184	99	-23	82	-5	16	30	85
<i>Change %</i>	1.3	0.8	-5.9	4.5	-0.2	0.3	1.1	11.7
Economic activity rates (%)¹								
People	MGGW	MGSO	YCAG	YCAJ	YCAM	YCAP	MGWP	MGWS
Jul-Sep 2004	62.9	78.5	53.6	74.1	83.4	84.7	72.0	9.5
Jul-Sep 2005	63.2	78.7	49.6	73.5	83.9	85.1	72.8	10.2
Oct-Dec 2005	63.2	78.6	47.5	73.5	84.2	85.1	72.7	10.5
Jan-Mar 2006	63.5	78.9	47.0	74.2	84.4	85.4	72.8	10.7
Apr-Jun 2006	63.6	79.0	47.0	74.6	84.7	85.3	73.1	10.9
Jul-Sep 2006	63.7	79.0	46.3	75.0	84.3	85.4	73.2	11.2
<i>Change on quarter</i>	0.0	0.0	-0.7	0.4	-0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3
<i>Change on year</i>	0.5	0.3	-3.3	1.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	1.0
Men	MGWH	MGSP	YCAH	YCAK	YCAN	YCAQ	MGWQ	MGWT
Jul-Sep 2004	70.5	83.5	52.8	78.4	91.8	91.6	74.5	8.7
Jul-Sep 2005	70.5	83.4	48.3	78.5	92.4	91.2	75.0	9.3
Oct-Dec 2005	70.7	83.5	45.7	78.5	92.8	91.5	75.1	9.7
Jan-Mar 2006	70.7	83.5	45.2	78.5	92.8	91.9	74.8	9.7
Apr-Jun 2006	70.9	83.7	45.4	78.6	93.1	91.9	75.1	9.9
Jul-Sep 2006	71.1	83.9	44.7	79.8	92.9	92.3	75.1	10.2
<i>Change on quarter</i>	0.2	0.2	-0.6	1.1	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.3
<i>Change on year</i>	0.5	0.5	-3.6	1.3	0.4	1.0	0.1	0.9
Women	MGWI	MGSQ	YCAI	YCAL	YCAO	YCAR	MGWR	MGWU
Jul-Sep 2004	55.8	73.1	54.3	69.8	75.2	77.9	68.5	9.9
Jul-Sep 2005	56.3	73.5	51.1	68.4	75.6	79.2	69.7	10.7
Oct-Dec 2005	56.2	73.3	49.4	68.3	75.8	78.9	69.4	11.0
Jan-Mar 2006	56.7	73.9	48.8	69.9	76.2	79.1	70.2	11.3
Apr-Jun 2006	56.7	74.0	48.7	70.5	76.5	78.8	70.3	11.4
Jul-Sep 2006	56.6	73.7	48.1	70.0	75.9	78.7	70.5	11.8
<i>Change on quarter</i>	-0.1	-0.2	-0.7	-0.5	-0.6	-0.1	0.2	0.4
<i>Change on year</i>	0.4	0.2	-3.0	1.7	0.3	-0.5	0.8	1.1

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

1. Denominator = all persons in the relevant age group

Source: Labour Force Survey
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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

12(2) Economic inactivity by age

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	All aged		16 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64 (m) &		65+ (m) &
	16 & over	16 - 59/64					50 - 59 (w)	60+ (w)	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Economically inactive									
People	MGSI	YBSN	YCAS	YCAV	YCA Y	YCBB	MGWA	MGWD	
Jul-Sep 2004	17,593	7,919	726	1,362	1,300	2,006	2,526	9,674	
Jul-Sep 2005	17,611	7,910	794	1,428	1,255	1,967	2,465	9,701	
Oct-Dec 2005	17,634	7,948	828	1,435	1,234	1,974	2,475	9,686	
Jan-Mar 2006	17,552	7,860	836	1,404	1,214	1,938	2,469	9,692	
Apr-Jun 2006	17,518	7,822	836	1,390	1,189	1,961	2,446	9,696	
Jul-Sep 2006	17,527	7,835	847	1,378	1,219	1,949	2,443	9,692	
Change on quarter	10	13	11	-12	30	-12	-4	-4	
Change %	0.1	0.2	1.3	-0.9	2.5	-0.6	-0.1	0.0	
Change on year	-84	-75	52	-50	-36	-18	-22	-9	
Change %	-0.5	-0.9	6.6	-3.5	-2.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.1	
Men	MGSJ	YBSO	YCAT	YCAW	YCAZ	YCBC	MGWB	MGWE	
Jul-Sep 2004	6,769	3,134	378	573	319	542	1,322	3,635	
Jul-Sep 2005	6,835	3,179	418	586	293	574	1,308	3,656	
Oct-Dec 2005	6,820	3,172	439	587	280	559	1,307	3,648	
Jan-Mar 2006	6,831	3,172	443	593	277	532	1,328	3,659	
Apr-Jun 2006	6,800	3,145	442	592	267	532	1,312	3,656	
Jul-Sep 2006	6,768	3,114	448	564	275	510	1,317	3,655	
Change on quarter	-32	-31	6	-28	8	-22	5	-1	
Change %	-0.5	-1.0	1.3	-4.7	3.0	-4.1	0.4	0.0	
Change on year	-67	-65	29	-22	-19	-63	9	-2	
Change %	-1.0	-2.0	7.0	-3.7	-6.3	-11.0	0.7	0.0	
Women	MGSK	YBSP	YCAU	YCAC	YCBA	YCBD	MGWC	MGWF	
Jul-Sep 2004	10,824	4,785	348	789	981	1,464	1,203	6,039	
Jul-Sep 2005	10,777	4,731	376	842	962	1,394	1,157	6,045	
Oct-Dec 2005	10,813	4,776	389	848	954	1,416	1,169	6,037	
Jan-Mar 2006	10,721	4,688	393	811	937	1,406	1,141	6,033	
Apr-Jun 2006	10,717	4,677	394	798	922	1,429	1,134	6,040	
Jul-Sep 2006	10,759	4,722	399	814	944	1,439	1,126	6,038	
Change on quarter	42	45	5	16	22	10	-8	-2	
Change %	0.4	1.0	1.4	2.0	2.4	0.7	-0.7	0.0	
Change on year	-17	-10	23	-29	-17	45	-32	-8	
Change %	-0.2	-0.2	6.1	-3.4	-1.8	3.2	-2.7	-0.1	
Economic inactivity rates (%)¹									
People	YBTC	YBTL	LWEX	LWFA	LWFD	LWFG	LWFJ	LWFM	
Jul-Sep 2004	37.1	21.5	46.4	25.9	16.6	15.3	28.0	90.5	
Jul-Sep 2005	36.8	21.3	50.4	26.5	16.1	14.9	27.2	89.8	
Oct-Dec 2005	36.8	21.4	52.5	26.5	15.8	14.9	27.3	89.5	
Jan-Mar 2006	36.5	21.1	53.0	25.8	15.6	14.6	27.2	89.3	
Apr-Jun 2006	36.4	21.0	53.0	25.4	15.3	14.7	26.9	89.1	
Jul-Sep 2006	36.3	21.0	53.7	25.0	15.7	14.6	26.8	88.8	
Change on quarter	0.0	0.0	0.7	-0.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	
Change on year	-0.5	-0.3	3.3	-1.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	-1.0	
Men	YBTD	YBTM	LWEY	LWFB	LWFE	LWFH	LWFK	LWFN	
Jul-Sep 2004	29.5	16.5	47.2	21.6	8.2	8.4	25.5	91.3	
Jul-Sep 2005	29.5	16.6	51.7	21.5	7.6	8.8	25.0	90.7	
Oct-Dec 2005	29.3	16.5	54.3	21.5	7.2	8.5	24.9	90.3	
Jan-Mar 2006	29.3	16.5	54.8	21.5	7.2	8.1	25.2	90.3	
Apr-Jun 2006	29.1	16.3	54.6	21.4	6.9	8.1	24.9	90.1	
Jul-Sep 2006	28.9	16.1	55.3	20.2	7.1	7.7	24.9	89.8	
Change on quarter	-0.2	-0.2	0.6	-1.1	0.2	-0.3	0.0	-0.3	
Change on year	-0.5	-0.5	3.6	-1.3	-0.4	-1.0	-0.1	-0.9	
Women	YBTE	YBTN	LWEZ	LWFC	LWFF	LWFI	LWFL	LWFO	
Jul-Sep 2004	44.2	26.9	45.7	30.2	24.8	22.1	31.5	90.1	
Jul-Sep 2005	43.7	26.5	48.9	31.6	24.4	20.8	30.3	89.3	
Oct-Dec 2005	43.8	26.7	50.6	31.7	24.2	21.1	30.6	89.0	
Jan-Mar 2006	43.3	26.1	51.2	30.1	23.8	20.9	29.8	88.7	
Apr-Jun 2006	43.3	26.0	51.3	29.5	23.5	21.2	29.7	88.6	
Jul-Sep 2006	43.4	26.3	51.9	30.0	24.1	21.3	29.5	88.2	
Change on quarter	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.1	-0.2	-0.4	
Change on year	-0.4	-0.2	3.0	-1.7	-0.3	0.5	-0.8	-1.1	

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

1. Denominator = all persons in the relevant age group

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

13 Economic inactivity: reasons

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Economic inactivity by reason									
	Student		Looking after family / home	Temp sick	Long-term sick	Discouraged workers	Retired	Other	Does not want a job	Wants a job
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
People	YBSN	BEDZ	BEEC	BEBK	BEBN	YCFO	BEEI	BEEI	YBVZ	YBWC
Jul-Sep 2004	7,919	1,711	2,353	197	2,194	33	590	841	5,872	2,047
Jul-Sep 2005	7,910	1,860	2,300	191	2,115	33	610	800	5,858	2,052
Oct-Dec 2005	7,948	1,853	2,347	197	2,118	41	591	800	5,896	2,052
Jan-Mar 2006	7,860	1,842	2,315	194	2,097	33	600	780	5,834	2,026
Apr-Jun 2006	7,822	1,807	2,305	188	2,085	36	591	810	5,748	2,074
Jul-Sep 2006	7,835	1,792	2,346	179	2,057	39	598	823	5,748	2,087
Change on quarter	13	-14	41	-9	-28	3	7	13	1	13
Change %	0.2	-0.8	1.8	-5.0	-1.3	9.4	1.2	1.6	0.0	0.6
Change on year	-75	-68	46	-12	-58	6	-12	23	-109	35
Change %	-0.9	-3.6	2.0	-6.4	-2.8	19.4	-2.0	2.9	-1.9	1.7
Men	YBSO	BEEEX	BEAQ	BEDI	BEDL	YCFP	BEDR	BEDU	YBWA	YBWD
Jul-Sep 2004	3,134	866	198	102	1,201	20	404	344	2,266	868
Jul-Sep 2005	3,179	923	189	101	1,170	21	424	351	2,317	862
Oct-Dec 2005	3,172	911	196	99	1,158	30	423	354	2,315	857
Jan-Mar 2006	3,172	917	197	97	1,154	23	440	345	2,298	874
Apr-Jun 2006	3,145	896	197	94	1,141	26	437	354	2,251	894
Jul-Sep 2006	3,114	879	197	89	1,131	28	438	353	2,225	888
Change on quarter	-31	-17	0	-6	-10	2	1	-1	-26	-6
Change %	-1.0	-1.9	0.0	-6.1	-0.9	6.2	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	-0.6
Change on year	-65	-44	8	-12	-39	7	13	2	-92	27
Change %	-2.0	-4.8	4.3	-12.3	-3.3	34.1	3.1	0.5	-4.0	3.1
Women	YBSP	BEBL	BEBO	BEEG	BEEJ	YCFQ	BEEP	BEEES	YBWB	YBWE
Jul-Sep 2004	4,785	845	2,155	95	993	13	187	497	3,606	1,179
Jul-Sep 2005	4,731	937	2,111	90	946	12	186	449	3,541	1,191
Oct-Dec 2005	4,776	942	2,151	98	960	11	168	446	3,581	1,194
Jan-Mar 2006	4,688	925	2,118	97	944	*	160	435	3,536	1,152
Apr-Jun 2006	4,677	911	2,108	94	944	10	154	457	3,497	1,180
Jul-Sep 2006	4,722	913	2,149	90	926	12	161	471	3,523	1,198
Change on quarter	45	2	41	-4	-17	2	7	14	26	18
Change %	1.0	0.3	2.0	-4.0	-1.8	18.0	4.2	3.0	0.7	1.6
Change on year	-10	-24	38	0	-20	-1	-25	22	-17	8
Change %	-0.2	-2.5	1.8	0.1	-2.1	-5.5	-13.6	4.8	-0.5	0.7

Percentage of economically inactive (%)

	BEAR	BEDJ	BEDM	BEDP	BEDS	BEDV	BEDY	BEEB	BEEE	BEBM
People										
Jul-Sep 2004	100	21.6	29.7	2.5	27.7	0.4	7.5	10.6	74.2	25.8
Jul-Sep 2005	100	23.5	29.1	2.4	26.7	0.4	7.7	10.1	74.1	25.9
Oct-Dec 2005	100	23.3	29.5	2.5	26.6	0.5	7.4	10.1	74.2	25.8
Jan-Mar 2006	100	23.4	29.5	2.5	26.7	0.4	7.6	9.9	74.2	25.8
Apr-Jun 2006	100	23.1	29.5	2.4	26.7	0.5	7.6	10.4	73.5	26.5
Jul-Sep 2006	100	22.9	29.9	2.3	26.3	0.5	7.6	10.5	73.4	26.6
Men	BEBP	BEEH	BEEK	BEEJ	BEEQ	BEET	BEEW	BEEZ	BEAS	BEGT
Jul-Sep 2004	100	27.6	6.3	3.3	38.3	0.6	12.9	11.0	72.3	27.7
Jul-Sep 2005	100	29.1	5.9	3.2	36.8	0.6	13.3	11.0	72.9	27.1
Oct-Dec 2005	100	28.7	6.2	3.1	36.5	1.0	13.3	11.2	73.0	27.0
Jan-Mar 2006	100	28.9	6.2	3.1	36.4	0.7	13.9	10.9	72.4	27.6
Apr-Jun 2006	100	28.5	6.3	3.0	36.3	0.8	13.9	11.2	71.6	28.4
Jul-Sep 2006	100	28.2	6.3	2.8	36.3	0.9	14.1	11.3	71.5	28.5
Women	BEGW	BEGZ	BEHC	BEHF	BEHI	BEHL	BEHO	BEBQ	BEHR	BEHU
Jul-Sep 2004	100	17.7	45.0	2.0	20.8	0.3	3.9	10.4	75.4	24.6
Jul-Sep 2005	100	19.8	44.6	1.9	20.0	0.3	3.9	9.5	74.8	25.2
Oct-Dec 2005	100	19.7	45.0	2.1	20.1	0.2	3.5	9.3	75.0	25.0
Jan-Mar 2006	100	19.7	45.2	2.1	20.1	*	3.4	9.3	75.4	24.6
Apr-Jun 2006	100	19.5	45.1	2.0	20.2	0.2	3.3	9.8	74.8	25.2
Jul-Sep 2006	100	19.3	45.5	1.9	19.6	0.2	3.4	10.0	74.6	25.4

Relationship between columns : 1=2+3+4+5+6+7+8; 1=9+10.

Source: Labour Force Survey, Labour Market Statistics Helpline 020 7533 6094

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

14 Educational status, economic activity & inactivity of young people

July to September 2006

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Economically active			Total in employment			Unemployed			Economically inactive		
	Total	Not in FTE ¹	In FTE ¹	Total	Not in FTE ¹	In FTE ¹	Total	Not in FTE ¹	In FTE ¹	Total	Not in FTE ¹	In FTE ¹
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Levels												
People												
16-17	731	267	464	546	179	367	186	88	98	847	124	723
18-24	4,126	3,410	716	3,603	2,976	627	523	434	88	1,378	599	779
all under 25	4,858	3,677	1,180	4,149	3,155	994	708	522	186	2,225	723	1,502
Men												
16-17	362	161	201	259	110	149	103	52	52	448	65	382
18-24	2,224	1,889	335	1,906	1,620	287	317	270	48	564	166	398
all under 25	2,586	2,051	535	2,165	1,729	436	421	321	100	1,012	231	781
Women												
16-17	369	105	264	287	69	218	82	36	46	399	59	340
18-24	1,902	1,521	381	1,697	1,357	340	205	164	41	814	433	381
all under 25	2,272	1,626	645	1,984	1,426	559	287	201	86	1,213	492	721
Changes on quarter												
People												
16-17	-10	-1	-9	-17	-4	-12	7	3	4	11	-7	18
18-24	41	40	0	38	35	3	3	5	-2	-12	1	-13
all under 25	31	39	-8	21	31	-10	10	8	1	-1	-6	5
Men												
16-17	-5	-7	2	-4	-3	-1	-1	-4	3	6	-7	13
18-24	44	47	-3	40	40	0	5	7	-3	-28	-18	-10
all under 25	39	40	-1	36	37	-1	4	3	0	-22	-26	3
Women												
16-17	-5	6	-11	-13	-1	-11	8	7	0	5	0	5
18-24	-4	-7	3	-2	-4	3	-2	-2	1	16	19	-3
all under 25	-9	-1	-8	-15	-6	-9	6	5	1	21	20	2
Rates(%)²												
People												
16-17	46.3	68.3	39.1	34.6	45.8	30.9	25.4	33.0	21.0	53.7	31.7	60.9
18-24	75.0	85.1	47.9	65.5	74.2	42.0	12.7	12.7	12.4	25.0	14.9	52.1
all under 25	68.6	83.6	44.0	58.6	71.7	37.1	14.6	14.2	15.8	31.4	16.4	56.0
Men												
16-17	44.7	71.3	34.4	31.9	48.5	25.5	28.6	31.9	25.9	55.3	28.7	65.6
18-24	79.8	91.9	45.6	68.4	78.8	39.1	14.3	14.3	14.2	20.2	8.1	54.4
all under 25	71.9	89.9	40.7	60.2	75.8	33.1	16.3	15.7	18.6	28.1	10.1	59.3
Women												
16-17	48.1	64.2	43.7	37.4	42.0	36.1	22.2	34.6	17.3	51.9	35.8	56.3
18-24	70.0	77.8	50.1	62.5	69.4	44.7	10.8	10.8	10.7	30.0	22.2	49.9
all under 25	65.2	76.8	47.2	56.9	67.3	40.9	12.7	12.4	13.4	34.8	23.2	52.8
Changes on quarter												
People												
16-17	-0.7	1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-0.1	-1.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	0.7	-1.1	1.1
18-24	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.5	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.4
all under 25	0.1	0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.3
Men												
16-17	-0.6	1.4	-0.6	-0.5	1.6	-0.9	0.2	-1.0	1.3	0.6	-1.4	0.6
18-24	1.1	1.0	0.4	1.0	0.8	0.6	-0.1	0.0	-0.7	-1.1	-1.0	-0.4
all under 25	0.8	1.2	-0.1	0.7	1.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.8	-1.2	0.1
Women												
16-17	-0.7	1.2	-1.4	-1.7	-2.5	-1.5	2.3	5.2	0.9	0.7	-1.2	1.4
18-24	-0.5	-0.8	0.4	-0.4	-0.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.5	0.8	-0.4
all under 25	-0.5	-0.7	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9	-0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.4

Relationship between columns: 1=2+3; 4=5+6; 7=8+9; 10=11+12.

Source: Labour Force Survey

1. Full-Time Education.

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2. Denominator = all persons in the relevant age group for economically active, total in employment and economically inactive; economically active for unemployment.

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EARNINGS, PRODUCTIVITY & UNIT WAGE COSTS

15 Average Earnings - including bonuses¹

2000=100

Great Britain, seasonally adjusted

	Whole Economy			Private sector			Public sector		
	Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	LNMQ	LNMU	LNNC	LNKY	LNKZ	LNND	LNNJ	LNKW	LNNE
Sep 04	117.8	4.0	3.9	117.0	3.9	3.8	121.2	4.4	4.2
Jul 05 (r)	121.7	4.6	4.2	120.9	4.6	3.9	124.9	4.3	5.4
Aug 05 (r)	122.1	4.1	4.2	121.2	4.1	4.2	125.9	4.3	4.3
Sep 05 (r)	122.3	3.8	4.2	121.4	3.8	4.1	126.1	4.0	4.2
Oct 05	122.4	3.2	3.7	121.4	3.0	3.6	126.6	4.0	4.1
Nov 05	123.1	3.5	3.5	122.1	3.2	3.3	127.2	4.4	4.2 (r)
Dec 05	124.0	4.2	3.6	123.1	3.9	3.4	127.8	4.7	4.4
Jan 06	124.5	3.0	3.6	123.4	2.9	3.4	127.8	4.1	4.4
Feb 06	125.8	5.0	4.1	125.5	5.3	4.1	128.2	4.1	4.3
Mar 06	125.3	4.4	4.1	124.4	4.4	4.2	128.5	4.3	4.2
Apr 06	124.8	3.5	4.3	124.1	3.7	4.5	128.1	2.9	3.8
May 06	125.9	4.4	4.1	125.0	4.7	4.2	133.1	3.7	3.6
Jun 06	126.6	4.9	4.3	126.2	5.3	4.5	129.5	3.7	3.4
Jul 06 (r)	126.5	3.9	4.4	125.5	3.8	4.6	130.0	4.1	3.8
Aug 06 (r)	126.8	3.8	4.2	126.0	3.9	4.3	129.9	3.1	3.6
Sep 06 (p)	127.3	4.1	3.9	126.5	4.2	4.0	130.3	3.3	3.5
	Manufacturing			Services			of which Private sector services		
	Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	LNMR	LNMV	LNNG	LNMT	LNMX	LNNH	JJGH	JJGI	JJGJ
Sep 04	116.4	3.2	3.4	118.0	4.1	3.7	116.9	4.0	3.6
Jul 05 (r)	120.3	3.5	2.8	122.0	4.9	4.5	120.8	5.1	4.3
Aug 05 (r)	121.0	4.3	3.5	122.2	4.2	4.4	121.0	4.2	4.4
Sep 05 (r)	121.5	4.5	4.1	122.2	3.6	4.2	120.9	3.4	4.2
Oct 05	122.1	4.5	4.4	122.3	2.9	3.5	120.9	2.5	3.4
Nov 05	122.4	4.4	4.4 (r)	123.2	3.4	3.3	121.8	3.1	3.0
Dec 05	123.1	4.4	4.4	124.0	3.9	3.4	122.7	3.8	3.1
Jan 06	123.7	5.0	4.6	124.3	2.8	3.4	123.5	2.3	3.1
Feb 06	124.5	5.2	4.9	126.2	5.1	3.9	125.2	5.4	3.8
Mar 06	124.9	4.8	5.0	125.5	4.4	4.1	124.4	4.5	4.1
Apr 06	126.0	5.9	5.3	124.7	3.2	4.2	123.4	3.3	4.4
May 06	125.5	5.7	5.5	126.1	4.2	3.9	124.8	4.7	4.2
Jun 06	126.4	5.9	5.9	126.7	4.8	4.1	125.8	5.3	4.4
Jul 06 (r)	126.1	4.8	5.5	126.6	3.8	4.3	125.3	3.7	4.6
Aug 06 (r)	127.4	5.3	5.3	126.8	3.7	4.1	125.6	3.8	4.3
Sep 06 (p)	128.2	5.5	5.2	127.3	4.1	3.9	126.2	4.4	4.0

1. The data exclude any arrears of pay.

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

2. The 3 month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted index values for the last 3 months compared with the same period a year ago.

Average Earnings Index enquiries: 01633 819024

A more detailed level of industry breakdown can be obtained by contacting the NS Time Series Data Service: 020 7533 5675.

EARNINGS, PRODUCTIVITY & UNIT WAGE COSTS

16 Average Earnings - excluding bonuses¹

2000=100

Great Britain, seasonally adjusted

	Whole Economy			Private sector			Public sector		
	Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	JQDW	JQDX	JQDY	JQEC	JQED	JQEE	JQDZ	JQEA	JQEB
Sep 04	118.8	4.3	4.3	118.1	4.2	4.3	121.4	4.5	4.2
Jul 05 (r)	122.9	4.2	4.0	122.4	4.2	3.8	125.1	4.1	4.6
Aug 05 (r)	123.1	3.9	4.0	122.4	3.9	3.9	125.9	4.3	4.3
Sep 05 (r)	123.4	3.9	4.0	122.8	3.9	4.0	126.2	3.9	4.1
Oct 05	123.7	3.7	3.9	123.0	3.7	3.8	126.6	3.8	4.0
Nov 05	124.2	3.9	3.8	123.5	3.8	3.8	127.2	4.2	4.0
Dec 05	124.5	3.6	3.7	123.8	3.5	3.7	127.5	4.2	4.1
Jan 06	125.0	3.9	3.8	124.4	4.0	3.7	127.8	3.9	4.1
Feb 06	125.3	3.8	3.8	124.6	3.8	3.8	128.1	3.8	4.0
Mar 06	125.6	3.8	3.9	124.9	3.7	3.8	128.4	4.1	3.9
Apr 06	126.1	3.6	3.7	125.5	3.9	3.8	127.8	2.6	3.5
May 06	126.5	3.9	3.8	126.0	4.3	4.0	128.5	2.4	3.0
Jun 06	126.9	4.0	3.9	126.5	4.3	4.2	129.1	3.1	2.7
Jul 06 (r)	126.9	3.3	3.7	126.3	3.2	3.9	129.5	3.5	3.0
Aug 06 (r)	127.5	3.6	3.6	127.0	3.7	3.7	129.7	3.0	3.2
Sep 06 (p)	128.0	3.7	3.5	127.5	3.8	3.6	130.2	3.2	3.2
	Manufacturing			Services			of which Private sector services		
	Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year		Average earnings index	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	JQEF	JQEG	JQEH	JQEL	JQEM	JQEN	JQEO	JQEP	JQEQ
Sep 04	117.1	3.5	4.0	119.2	4.4	4.3	118.3	4.4	4.3
Jul 05 (r)	121.3	3.3	3.2	123.3	4.4	4.2	122.8	4.5	4.1
Aug 05 (r)	122.1	4.1	3.6	123.4	4.0	4.1	122.5	3.9	4.1
Sep 05 (r)	122.4	4.6	4.0	123.6	3.8	4.1	122.7	3.7	4.1
Oct 05	122.8	4.1	4.3	124.0	3.6	3.8	123.0	3.5	3.7
Nov 05	123.2	4.1	4.3	124.4	3.8	3.7	123.4	3.6	3.6
Dec 05	123.5	3.9	4.1	124.8	3.6	3.7	123.8	3.4	3.5
Jan 06	124.3	4.5	4.2	125.2	3.9	3.8	124.2	3.8	3.6
Feb 06	125.0	4.8	4.4	125.4	3.5	3.7	124.4	3.3	3.5
Mar 06	125.0	4.4	4.6	125.8	3.5	3.6	124.8	3.3	3.5
Apr 06	125.6	4.9	4.7	126.2	3.4	3.5	125.5	3.7	3.4
May 06	125.9	4.9	4.7	126.7	3.7	3.5	126.0	4.1	3.7
Jun 06	126.5	4.9	4.9	127.1	3.9	3.6	126.4	4.2	4.0
Jul 06 (r)	126.5	4.3	4.7	127.2	3.1	3.5	126.4	3.0	3.7
Aug 06 (r)	127.2	4.3	4.5	127.6	3.4	3.5	126.9	3.6	3.6
Sep 06 (p)	128.0	4.5	4.4	128.1	3.6	3.4	127.5	3.8	3.5

For footnotes and contact details - see Table 15.

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

17 Productivity and unit wage costs

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

Whole Economy			Manufacturing			
Unit Wage Costs	Output per Worker		Unit Wage Costs		Output per filled job	
% change over year	% change over year		% changes year on year		% changes year on year	
LOJE	A4YN		single month	3 month average*	single month	3 month average*
			LOUW	LOJF	LNUU	LOUV
		Sep 04	-2.6	-2.0	5.9	5.6
		Sep 05	2.8 (r)	0.8	1.7	3.3
		Oct 05	2.7	2.0	1.7	2.3 (r)
		Nov 05	3.6	3.0 (r)	0.8	1.4
		Dec 05	3.3	3.2	1.1	1.2
		Jan 06	3.1	3.3	1.8	1.2
		Feb 06	3.5	3.3	1.7	1.5
		Mar 06	0.2	2.2	4.5	2.7
		Apr 06	2.6	2.1	3.3	3.1
		May 06	1.9	1.6	3.8	3.9
		Jun 06	2.4	2.3	3.5	3.5
		Jul 06	2.0 (r)	2.1	2.8	3.3 (r)
		Aug 06 (r)	1.8	2.0	3.5	3.2
		Sep 06	1.1	1.6	4.3	3.5
2004 Q2	0.9	3.1				
2004 Q3	0.6	2.2				
2004 Q4	2.2	1.4				
2005 Q1	2.8	1.3				
2005 Q2	2.6	0.7				
2005 Q3	2.7	0.8				
2005 Q4	2.1	1.4				
2006 Q1	2.2	1.5				
2006 Q2	2.0	1.8				

Sources: Whole Economy - National Accounts and Productivity Jobs

Manufacturing - Index of Production, Productivity Jobs and Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey

Productivity and Unit Wage Costs enquiries: 01633 819050

SUB-NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SUMMARY

18(1) Regional labour market summary

Thousands, seasonally adjusted

Labour Force Survey¹ (July to September 2006)

	Total aged 16 & over																
	Economically active					Employment						Unemployment					
	Total		Men		Women	Total		Men		Women	Total		Men		Women		
	Level	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ³
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
North East	2,068	1,243	76.2	667	576	1,158	70.9	608	73.2	549	68.6	85	6.9	58	8.7	27	4.7
North West	5,450	3,392	77.9	1,816	1,576	3,203	73.5	1,698	76.5	1,505	70.2	190	5.6	118	6.5	71	4.5
Yorkshire & the Humber	4,043	2,522	78.3	1,375	1,148	2,370	73.5	1,281	77.8	1,089	68.9	152	6.0	93	6.8	59	5.1
East Midlands	3,450	2,251	81.5	1,220	1,032	2,132	77.1	1,154	81.1	978	72.7	119	5.3	66	5.4	53	5.2
West Midlands	4,277	2,706	78.8	1,491	1,214	2,542	73.9	1,395	78.9	1,147	68.5	164	6.1	96	6.4	68	5.6
East	4,425	2,874	81.1	1,576	1,298	2,731	77.0	1,495	82.3	1,236	71.3	143	5.0	81	5.1	62	4.8
London	6,089	3,988	75.8	2,224	1,764	3,667	69.5	2,043	76.2	1,624	62.4	321	8.0	181	8.1	140	7.9
South East	6,498	4,324	82.7	2,329	1,995	4,129	78.9	2,225	83.6	1,904	73.8	195	4.5	104	4.5	91	4.6
South West	4,089	2,570	81.1	1,373	1,196	2,470	77.8	1,318	81.2	1,152	74.1	100	3.9	55	4.0	44	3.7
England	40,390	25,870	79.3	14,071	11,799	24,401	74.7	13,218	79.3	11,183	69.8	1,469	5.7	853	6.1	616	5.2
Wales	2,376	1,422	76.3	757	665	1,345	72.1	713	75.1	632	68.9	77	5.4	44	5.8	33	5.0
Scotland	4,123	2,606	79.2	1,368	1,238	2,474	75.2	1,293	78.0	1,181	72.2	131	5.0	75	5.5	57	4.6
Great Britain	46,889	29,898	79.2	16,195	13,702	28,221	74.6	15,224	79.0	12,997	70.0	1,677	5.6	971	6.0	706	5.1
N Ireland	1,334	797	72.5	439	358	759	68.9	415	73.9	344	63.7	38	4.7	24	5.5	13	3.7
United Kingdom	48,224	30,696	79.0	16,636	14,060	28,986	74.5	15,642	78.8	13,344	69.8	1,711	5.6	994	6.0	716	5.1

Change on quarter:⁴

	Total aged 16 & over																
	Economically active					Employment						Unemployment					
	Total		Men		Women	Total		Men		Women	Total		Men		Women		
	Level	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ³
North East	4	1	-0.2	0	1	-9	-0.8	-12	-1.7	3	0.3	10	0.8	12	1.8	-3	-0.4
North West	7	28	0.5	28	0	16	0.2	12	0.4	4	0.0	11	0.3	16	0.8	-5	-0.3
Yorkshire & the Humber	7	-9	-0.4	9	-18	-16	-0.7	2	-0.1	-18	-1.2	7	0.3	7	0.5	0	0.1
East Midlands	6	9	0.1	5	4	11	0.1	11	0.4	0	-0.2	-2	-0.1	-5	-0.5	3	0.3
West Midlands	9	24	0.4	28	-5	14	0.1	20	0.7	-7	-0.5	10	0.3	8	0.4	2	0.2
East	8	15	0.1	-2	17	15	0.1	0	-0.2	16	0.5	0	0.0	-1	-0.1	1	0.0
London	20	16	0.2	12	4	10	0.1	9	0.2	1	-0.1	6	0.1	3	0.1	3	0.1
South East	10	3	-0.2	2	1	10	-0.1	11	0.2	-1	-0.4	-6	-0.2	-9	-0.4	2	0.1
South West	9	-14	-0.5	-13	-1	-18	-0.6	-14	-0.9	-4	-0.3	4	0.2	1	0.1	3	0.2
England	80	72	0.0	71	1	34	-0.1	39	0.0	-5	-0.3	38	0.1	32	0.2	6	0.1
Wales	4	13	0.4	8	6	17	0.7	15	1.3	2	0.0	-4	-0.3	-7	-1.0	3	0.4
Scotland	5	12	0.0	12	0	22	0.3	18	0.8	4	-0.2	-10	-0.4	-6	-0.5	-3	-0.3
Great Britain	90	98	0.0	90	7	73	0.0	71	0.2	2	-0.2	25	0.1	19	0.1	6	0.0
N Ireland	3	-6	-0.8	-3	-3	-9	-1.1	-3	-1.0	-6	-1.3	4	0.5	1	0.2	3	0.8
United Kingdom	93	83	0.0	84	-1	56	-0.1	64	0.1	-9	-0.3	27	0.1	19	0.1	8	0.1

Change on year:

	Total aged 16 & over																
	Economically active					Employment						Unemployment					
	Total		Men		Women	Total		Men		Women	Total		Men		Women		
	Level	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Level	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ³
North East	17	40	1.5	25	15	34	1.2	16	0.8	18	1.7	5	0.2	9	1.0	-3	-0.7
North West	27	53	0.9	47	5	13	-0.1	16	0.3	-3	-0.5	39	1.1	31	1.6	8	0.5
Yorkshire & the Humber	29	23	0.0	18	5	-16	-1.2	-10	-1.6	-6	-0.8	39	1.5	28	2.0	11	0.9
East Midlands	21	42	0.7	21	21	21	-0.1	15	0.2	6	-0.5	21	0.9	6	0.4	15	1.4
West Midlands	37	71	1.1	47	24	30	-0.1	25	0.2	6	-0.5	41	1.4	22	1.3	19	1.5
East	31	11	-0.9	8	3	-14	-1.5	-8	-1.8	-6	-1.2	24	0.8	15	0.9	9	0.7
London	84	125	1.1	86	40	64	0.0	62	1.0	2	-1.1	61	1.3	23	0.8	38	2.0
South East	39	54	0.5	19	35	30	0.0	12	0.1	17	-0.1	24	0.5	6	0.2	18	0.8
South West	37	13	-0.3	3	10	8	-0.5	3	-0.4	6	-0.6	5	0.2	1	0.0	4	0.3
England	322	431	0.5	273	158	172	-0.3	132	-0.1	40	-0.5	259	0.9	142	0.9	118	0.9
Wales	15	29	0.5	14	15	16	-0.2	13	0.3	3	-0.7	12	0.8	1	0.0	11	1.6
Scotland	20	8	-0.4	-11	19	19	-0.1	-3	-0.5	22	0.4	-11	-0.4	-8	-0.6	-3	-0.3
Great Britain	357	468	0.4	276	192	207	-0.3	142	-0.1	65	-0.5	261	0.8	134	0.7	126	0.9
N Ireland	14	2	-0.6	2	0	-1	-0.9	0	-0.7	-2	-1.1	3	0.4	2	0.4	2	0.5
United Kingdom	371	455	0.3	271	184	192	-0.3	136	-0.2	56	-0.5	263	0.8	135	0.7	128	0.9

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

1. Labour Force Survey is tabulated by region of residence.

2. Denominator = all persons of working age.

3. Denominator = Total economically active.

4. 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. See Concepts and Definitions.

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.

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SUB-NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SUMMARY

18(2) Regional labour market summary

Thousands

	Employer Surveys ¹			Jobcentre Plus administrative system ¹					
	Civilian workforce jobs (June 2006); not seasonally adjusted			Claimant count ² (October 2006); seasonally adjusted					
	Total	Men	Women	Total		Men		Women	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Rate (%) ³ 5	Level 6	Rate (%) ³ 7	Level 8	Rate (%) ³ 9
North East	1,148	616	532	51.4	4.4	39.1	6.1	12.3	2.3
North West	3,420	1,840	1,580	118.7	3.4	89.3	4.7	29.4	1.8
Yorkshire & the Humber	2,557	1,349	1,209	89.5	3.4	67.0	4.8	22.5	1.8
East Midlands	2,084	1,108	976	63.7	3.0	46.2	4.0	17.5	1.8
West Midlands	2,626	1,403	1,223	110.2	4.0	82.0	5.5	28.2	2.3
East	2,713	1,457	1,256	67.9	2.5	48.5	3.3	19.4	1.5
London	4,638	2,533	2,105	166.8	3.5	117.1	4.5	49.7	2.3
South East	4,249	2,227	2,022	83.8	1.9	61.0	2.6	22.8	1.1
South West	2,563	1,316	1,247	49.3	1.9	35.5	2.5	13.8	1.1
England	25,998	13,847	12,151	801.3	3.0	585.7	4.1	215.6	1.8
Wales	1,378	718	659	44.2	3.2	32.9	4.5	11.3	1.7
Scotland	2,623	1,335	1,287	87.8	3.3	66.3	4.8	21.5	1.7
Great Britain	29,998	15,901	14,098	933.3	3.0	684.9	4.1	248.4	1.7
N Ireland	822	438	384	28.0	3.2	20.9	4.4	7.1	1.8
United Kingdom	30,820	16,339	14,481	961.3	3.0	705.8	4.1	255.5	1.7

Changes on period (period specified below):

	Employer Surveys ¹			Jobcentre Plus administrative system ¹					
	Civilian workforce jobs (Change on June 2005); not seasonally adjusted			Claimant count ² (Change on September 2006); seasonally adjusted					
	Total	Men	Women	Total		Men		Women	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Rate (%) ³ 5	Level 6	Rate (%) ³ 7	Level 8	Rate (%) ³ 9
North East	16	14	2	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0
North West	8	32	-24	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0
Yorkshire & the Humber	18	11	6	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0
East Midlands	1	-4	5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
West Midlands	-10	-16	6	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
East	42	28	14	1.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.4	0.0
London	82	54	28	-0.7	0.0	-0.5	0.0	-0.2	0.0
South East	-11	-10	-1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
South West	15	-3	18	-0.3	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
England	160	106	54	1.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	1.2	0.0
Wales	30	22	8	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Scotland	51	27	24	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Great Britain	241	155	86	0.9	0.0	-0.4	0.0	1.3	0.0
N Ireland	13	8	5	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1
United Kingdom	254	163	91	1.2	0.0	-0.3	0.0	1.5	0.0

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

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

2. Count of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance.

3. Denominator = Claimant count + Workforce jobs.

SUB-NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SUMMARY

19 International comparisons

	Latest period	Employment		Latest Period	Unemployment rate		Change on period	Change on year
		rate (%) ^{1,2}	Change on year %		(%) ³	%		
As published by EUROSTAT: (not seasonally adjusted)				As published by EUROSTAT: 3 November 2006 (seasonally adjusted)				
Austria	Apr-Jun 06	70.0	1.6	Austria	Sep 06	4.7	-0.1	-0.5
Belgium	Apr-Jun 06	60.4	-0.6	Belgium	Sep 06	8.6	0.0	0.2
Cyprus	Apr-Jun 06	69.5	0.8	Cyprus	Sep 06	5.0	-0.1	-0.3
Czech Republic	Apr-Jun 06	65.3	0.6	Czech Republic	Sep 06	7.0	-0.1	-0.8
Denmark	Apr-Jun 06	76.9	1.4	Denmark	Sep 06	3.5	-0.2	-1.1
Estonia	Apr-Jun 06	68.8	3.9	Estonia	Sep 06	4.4	-0.2	-2.8
Finland	Apr-Jun 06	69.9	0.7	Finland	Sep 06	7.9	0.1	-0.4
France	Apr-Jun 06	63.0	-0.4	France	Sep 06	8.9	-0.1	-1.1
Germany	Apr-Jun 06	67.0	1.7	Germany	Sep 06	8.7	0.1	-0.7
Greece	Apr-Jun 06	61.0	0.7	Greece	2006 Q2	9.0	-0.2	-0.9
Hungary	Apr-Jun 06	57.3	0.5	Hungary	Sep 06	7.6	0.0	0.3
Ireland	Apr-Jun 06	68.1	1.0	Ireland	Sep 06	4.2	-0.3	-0.2
Italy	Apr-Jun 06	58.9	1.1	Italy	2006 Q2	6.8	-0.4	-0.9
Latvia	Apr-Jun 06	65.5	2.5	Latvia	Sep 06	6.8	-0.2	-1.9
Lithuania	Apr-Jun 06	63.7	1.1	Lithuania	Sep 06	6.1	0.1	-1.2
Luxembourg	Apr-Jun 06	63.6	0.0	Luxembourg	Sep 06	4.9	0.1	0.2
Malta	Apr-Jun 06	54.3	0.7	Malta	Sep 06	7.5	0.0	0.1
Netherlands	Apr-Jun 06	74.2	1.0	Netherlands	Sep 06	4.0	0.0	-0.6
Poland	Apr-Jun 06	53.9	1.7	Poland	Sep 06	14.1	-0.1	-3.5
Portugal	Apr-Jun 06	68.1	0.5	Portugal	Sep 06	7.2	0.0	-0.6
Slovak Republic	Apr-Jun 06	59.3	1.9	Slovak Republic	Sep 06	12.8	-0.2	-3.5
Slovenia	Apr-Jun 06	67.1	1.1	Slovenia	Sep 06	5.7	-0.2	-0.9
Spain	Apr-Jun 06	64.7	1.5	Spain	Sep 06	7.8	0.0	-0.8
Sweden	Apr-Jun 06	73.1	0.5	Sweden	Mar 05	6.3	-0.2	0.0
United Kingdom	Apr-Jun 06	71.3	-0.2	United Kingdom⁴	Jul 06	5.6	0.1	1.0
EU25	Apr-Jun 06	64.0	0.4	EU25	Sep 06	8.0	0.0	-0.7
EU15	Apr-Jun 06	65.0	0.0	EU15	Sep 06	7.4	0.0	-0.5
Eurozone	Apr-Jun 06	63.7	0.3	Eurozone	Sep 06	7.8	0.0	-0.7
As published by national statistical offices				As published by national statistical offices (seasonally adjusted)				
Canada (NSA)	Jul-Sep 06	74.0	0.5	Canada	Oct 06	6.2	-0.2	-0.4
Japan (NSA)	Jul-Sep 06	70.3	0.5	Japan	Sep 06	4.2	0.0	0.0
United Kingdom (SA)	Jul-Sep 06	74.5	-0.3	United Kingdom⁴	Jul-Sep 06	5.6	0.1	0.8
United States (NSA)	Jul-Sep 06	72.0	0.3	United States	Sep 06	4.6	-0.1	-0.5

Sources: Eurostat, StatsBLS, StatCan and Stat.go.JP.
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1. The UK employment rate shown in the lower part of the table - as published by the Office for National Statistics - is seasonally adjusted; all other employment rates are unadjusted.

2. All employment rates for EU countries published by EUROSTAT (including the rate for the UK) are based on the population aged 15-64. The rates for Canada and Japan are also based on the population aged 15-64, but the rate for the US is for those aged 16-64. The employment rate for the UK published by the Office for National Statistics is based on the working age population aged 16-64 (men) and 16-59 (women) and therefore takes account of both the school leaving age and the state pension age currently prevailing in the UK.

Eurozone: Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal and Spain.

EU15: Eurozone plus Denmark, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

EU25: EU15 plus Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovak Republic and Slovenia.

3. Unemployment rates published by EUROSTAT for most EU countries (but not for the UK), are calculated by extrapolating from the most recent LFS data using monthly registered unemployment data. A standard population basis (15-74) is used by EUROSTAT except for Spain and the UK (16-74). The unemployment rate for the US is based on those aged 16 and over, but the rates for Canada and Japan are for those aged 15 and over. All unemployment rates are seasonally adjusted.

4. The unemployment rate for the UK published by EUROSTAT is based on the population aged 16-74 whilst the unemployment rate for the UK published by the Office for National Statistics is based on those aged 16 and over. There are other minor definitional differences.

LABOUR DISPUTES

20 Labour disputes

United Kingdom, not seasonally adjusted

		Working days lost	Number of stoppages ¹	Workers involved
		(thousands)		(thousands) ¹
		BBFW	BLUU	BLUT
2004	Sep	7	16	3
2005	Sep	29	21	7
	Oct	7	15	5
	Nov	19	12	19
	Dec	15	13	14
2006	Jan (p)	77	14	47
	Feb (p)	14	15	4
	Mar (p)	482	19	577
	Apr (p)	3	10	2
	May (p)	83	15	49
	Jun (p)	6	15	3
	Jul (p)	11	31	9
	Aug (p)	6	16 (r)	3
	Sep (p)	23	18	6
Cumulative totals 12 months to:				
Sep 06	(p)	745	145	730
Sep 05		240	124	193

Data source: ONS Labour Disputes Inquiry
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1. The latest 12 month cumulative totals for these columns will not necessarily equal the sum of the 12 months as some disputes continue for over one month. These disputes appear in each month's data, but only once in the total.

VACANCIES

21 Vacancies¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		Monthly estimates		Average for three months ending in month shown	
		Level	Level	Vacancy ratio ²	
		AP2X	AP2Y	AP2Z	
2004	Oct	659.4	638.0	2.4	
2005	Oct	(r) 588.4	598.9	2.3	
	Nov	596.3	591.6	2.3	
	Dec	614.4	596.5	2.3	
2006	Jan	598.9	602.8	2.3	
	Feb	594.8	603.3	2.3	
	Mar	589.9	596.2	2.3	
	Apr	605.1	596.3	2.3	
	May	584.2	594.0	2.3	
	Jun	602.7	598.4	2.3	
	Jul	(r) 617.6	603.2	2.3	
	Aug	(r) 600.7	608.6	2.3	
	Sep	(r) 590.0	605.0	2.3	
	Oct	(p) 620.6	602.6	2.3	
Change from 3 months ago		3.0	-0.6	0.0	
Change %		0.5	-0.1		
Change on year		32.2	3.7	0.0	
Change %		5.5	0.6		

1. Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.

Source: ONS Vacancy Survey.

2. Ratio of vacancies per 100 employee jobs.

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The three-month averages shown differ slightly from the corresponding averages of individual monthly estimates. This is because the two series have been seasonally adjusted independently.

22 Vacancies by industry

Standard Industrial Classification (1992)

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

Averages for 3 months ending

SIC92 sections	All vacancies ¹ C-O	Energy and water ² C, E	Manu- facturing D	Construction F	Distribution, hotels & restaurants G-H	Transport & comm- unications I	Finance & business services J-K	Education, health & public admin ³ L-N	Other services ² O	Total services G-O
Levels (thousands)										
Oct 04	638.0	3.0	60.6	23.7	189.6	41.4	138.6	146.0	35.1	550.7
Oct 05	(r) 598.9	2.7	48.6	21.0	178.6	37.8	135.6	145.2	29.4	526.6
Nov 05	591.6	3.0	48.9	22.5	173.7	38.2	137.1	141.1	27.0	517.1
Dec 05	596.5	2.9	49.6	23.4	173.2	36.5	139.7	141.6	29.5	520.5
Jan 06	602.8	3.3	51.2	23.9	172.4	38.5	143.9	140.7	28.8	524.3
Feb 06	603.3	3.4	51.7	23.3	170.0	38.2	147.9	138.9	29.9	524.9
Mar 06	596.2	3.7	50.1	20.1	163.6	40.4	149.7	135.4	33.2	522.3
Apr 06	596.3	3.7	50.3	19.4	166.5	38.8	148.4	135.0	34.2	522.9
May 06	594.0	4.1	50.4	18.6	167.5	38.1	150.3	131.5	33.5	520.9
Jun 06	598.4	4.2	50.0	17.9	168.6	39.1	155.8	132.1	30.7	526.3
Jul 06	(r) 603.2	4.2	48.2	17.9	166.2	40.4	160.3	134.3	31.6	532.8
Aug 06	(r) 608.6	3.9	48.4	21.1	166.8	41.9	161.9	136.7	27.9	535.2
Sep 06	(r) 605.0	3.9	48.0	21.7	166.4	40.0	162.3	135.4	27.3	531.4
Oct 06	(p) 602.6	3.9	47.2	22.4	167.2	39.5	162.3	132.9	27.2	529.1
Change from 3 months ago		-0.6	-0.3	-1.0	4.5	1.0	-0.9	2.0	-1.4	-3.7
Change %		-0.1	-7.1	-2.1	25.1	0.6	-2.2	1.2	-1.0	-0.7
Change on year		3.7	1.2	-1.4	1.4	-11.4	1.7	26.7	-12.3	2.5
Change %		0.6	44.4	-2.9	6.7	-6.4	4.5	19.7	-8.5	0.5
	AP2Z	AP3B	AP3C	AP3D	AP3E	AP3F	AP3G	AP3H	AP3I	AP3J
Ratio per 100 employee jobs										
Oct 04	2.4	1.7	1.9	1.9	3.0	2.6	2.7	2.2	2.6	2.6
Oct 05	(r) 2.3	1.5	1.5	1.6	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.1	2.1	2.5
Nov 05	2.3	1.7	1.5	1.8	2.7	2.4	2.6	2.1	2.0	2.4
Dec 05	2.3	1.6	1.5	1.8	2.7	2.3	2.7	2.1	2.1	2.4
Jan 06	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.9	2.7	2.5	2.8	2.1	2.1	2.5
Feb 06	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.8	2.7	2.4	2.9	2.0	2.2	2.5
Mar 06	2.3	2.1	1.5	1.6	2.6	2.6	2.9	2.0	2.4	2.4
Apr 06	2.3	2.1	1.5	1.5	2.6	2.5	2.9	2.0	2.5	2.5
May 06	2.3	2.3	1.5	1.5	2.6	2.4	2.9	1.9	2.4	2.4
Jun 06	2.3	2.4	1.5	1.4	2.6	2.5	3.0	1.9	2.2	2.5
Jul 06	(r) 2.3	2.4	1.5	1.4	2.6	2.6	3.1	2.0	2.3	2.5
Aug 06	(r) 2.3	2.2	1.5	1.6	2.6	2.7	3.1	2.0	2.0	2.5
Sep 06	(r) 2.3	2.2	1.5	1.7	2.6	2.6	3.1	2.0	2.0	2.5
Oct 06	(p) 2.3	2.2	1.4	1.7	2.6	2.5	3.1	2.0	2.0	2.5
Change from 3 months ago		0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.0
Change on year		0.0	0.7	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.5	-0.1	0.0

1. Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.

Source: ONS Vacancy Survey.

2. Not seasonally adjusted. 'Energy and water' and 'Other services' do not display seasonality. Therefore the unadjusted series is the best estimate of a 'seasonally adjusted' series.

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3. Includes both public and private sectors.

REDUNDANCIES

23 Redundancies: levels and rates¹

United Kingdom (seasonally adjusted)

	People		Men		Women	
	Level (000s)	Rate ¹	Level (000s)	Rate ¹	Level (000s)	Rate ¹
	BEAO	BEIR	BEIU	BEIX	BEJA	BEJD
Jul-Sep 2004	135	5.5	81	6.5	54	4.5
Jul-Sep 2005	160	6.4	104	8.2	56	4.6
Oct-Dec 2005	143	5.7	96	7.6	47	3.8
Jan-Mar 2006	143	5.8	97	7.7	46	3.8
Apr-Jun 2006	137	5.5	94	7.4	43	3.5
Jul-Sep 2006	141	5.6	84	6.6	57	4.6
<i>Change on quarter</i>	3	0.1	-10	-0.8	14	1.1
<i>Change %</i>	2.5		-10.7		31.5	
<i>Change on year</i>	-19	-0.8	-19	-1.6	0	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	-12.0		-18.8		0.5	

1. The redundancy rate is based on the ratio of the redundancy level for the given quarter to the number of employees in the previous quarter, multiplied by 1,000.

Source: Labour Force Survey
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The Labour Force Survey is a survey of the population of private households, student halls of residence and NHS accommodation. See Concepts and Definitions.

24 Redundancies by industry¹

United Kingdom (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

People	All redundancies ²	Agriculture, fishing, energy & water (A-C,E)	Manufacturing (D)	Construction (F)	Distribution, hotels and restaurants (G,H)	Transport and communication (I)	Banking, finance and insurance (J-K)	Education, health & public administration ³ (L-N)	Total services ⁴ (G-Q)
	BEYV	BEAJ	BEAK	BEAL	BEBJ	BEBV	BEBW	BEAP	BEBU
Jul-Sep 2004	129	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jul-Sep 2005	155	*	54	10	33	*	25	16	87
Oct-Dec 2005	144	*	35	15	32	13	21	15	89
Jan-Mar 2006	147	*	37	20	31	13	26	*	84
Apr-Jun 2006	136	*	42	13	23	*	28	12	80
Jul-Sep 2006	135	*	40	13	26	*	19	17	78
<i>Change on year</i>	-20	*	-14	3	-7	*	-6	1	-9
<i>Change %</i>	-12.8	*	-25.9	26.2	-20.1	*	-24.4	8.1	-10.6

1. Further redundancy data are available at www.statistics.gov.uk/STATBASE/Product.asp?vlnk=9474

Source: Labour Force Survey

2. The level of each industry may not sum to the total as all redundancies includes those people who did not state their industry.

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3. Includes both public and private sectors.

4. Other services (O-Q) are not shown separately in this table as the sample size is too small to provide reliable redundancy estimates.

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