

Statistical bulletin

Public sector employment, UK: September 2017

The official measure of people employed in the UK public sector, including private sector estimates (derived from the difference between total UK employment and public sector employment).



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1 . Main points

- Total UK public sector employment in September 2017 was 5.492 million, up 19,000 on the previous quarter and up 21,000 on the previous year.
- Central government employment was 3.050 million, up 29,000 on the previous quarter and 101,000 on the previous year, the highest since comparable records began in 1999.
- Local government employment was down 9,000 this quarter at 2.104 million, the lowest since comparable records began in 1999.
- Private sector employment was 26.588 million, down 75,000 on the previous quarter but up 304,000 on the previous year.
- Of all people in work, 17.1% were employed in the public sector, an increase of 0.1 percentage points over the quarter.

2 . Things you need to know about this release

This bulletin presents the latest quarterly estimates of UK public sector employment (PSE). The public sector comprises central government, local government and public corporations as defined for the UK National Accounts.

These statistics are used mainly to monitor changes in the number of people employed in the UK public and private sectors and to inform policy-making across government. They are the official measure of UK public sector employment.

Estimates of PSE are presented by sector classification, industry and region. Civil Service employment is shown by government department and agency. Employment in executive non-departmental public bodies (NDPBs) is aggregated by sponsoring department.

Whilst this bulletin focuses on headcount estimates of PSE, full-time equivalent estimates (based on the number of hours worked divided by the standard full-time hours) are available in the [accompanying PSE datasets](#).

The PSE estimates are point-in-time employment estimates and relate to a specific day in the published month.

The main source of PSE is the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, which aims to obtain complete coverage of local authorities and the Civil Service, and coverage of all public bodies with 20 or more employees. It is difficult to achieve complete coverage for local and central government, for example, in the education sector. Further information can be found in the [Quality and Methodology Information](#) report.

All [time series](#) in this release, except for the regional series, are seasonally adjusted to aid interpretation. Relationships that hold in the unadjusted series do not necessarily hold for the seasonally adjusted series. For example, total PSE equals the sum total of all public sector industry estimates before seasonal adjustment, but this is not necessarily true after seasonal adjustment.

Comparisons of public and private sector employment over time are complicated by a number of major reclassifications, where bodies employing large numbers of people have moved between the public and private sectors. We produce estimates of public and private sector employment excluding the effects of major reclassifications to help you understand underlying trends in employment. We publish these alongside estimates of total public and private sector employment in [Tables 5, 6a and 7a of the PSE datasets](#).

Consistent with the [revisions policy for public sector employment statistics](#), the statistics are subject to revisions. Revisions can be made for a variety of reasons, the most common include:

- to account for late information from respondents
- to account for recent classifications to the public sector
- to update seasonal factors (updated quarterly and reviewed annually)

Tables 1R to 5R in the [public sector employment dataset](#) illustrate the size of the revisions in each category.

The [UK Statistics Authority](#) has designated these statistics as [National Statistics](#), in accordance with the [Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007](#) and signifying compliance with the [Code of Practice for Official Statistics](#).

3 . Public sector employment rises

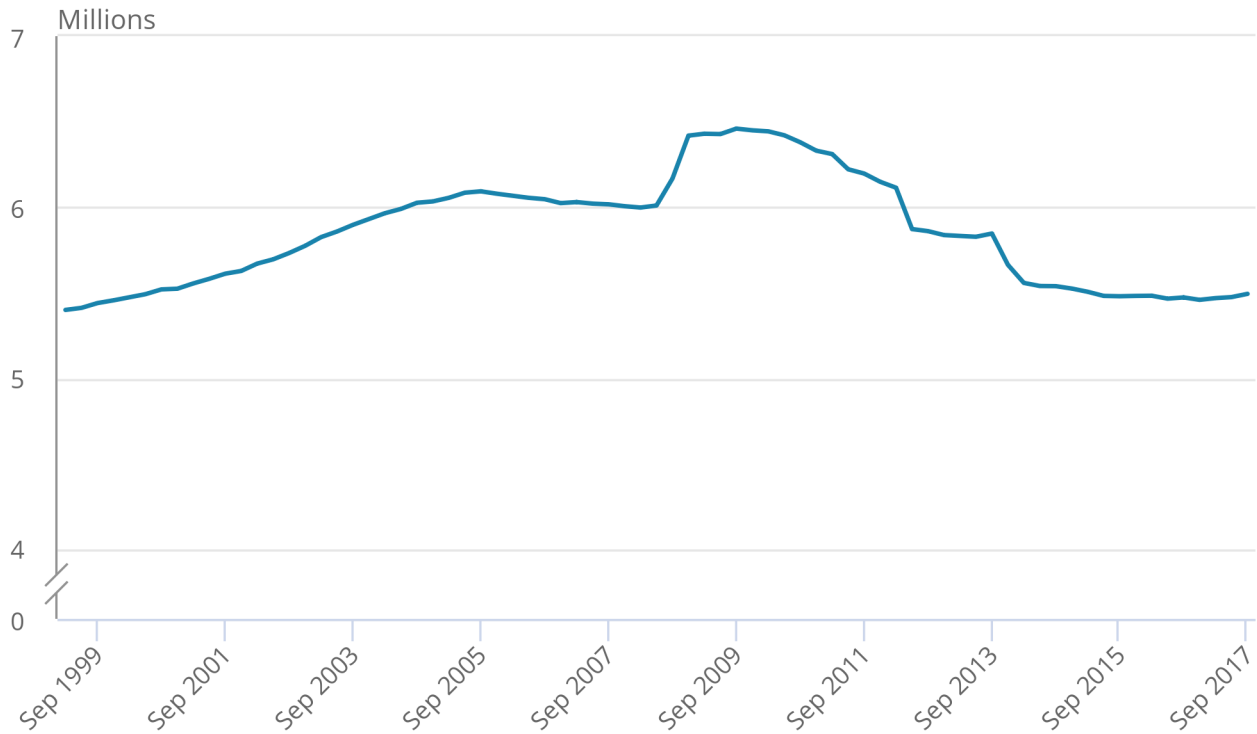
In September 2017, total UK public sector employment (PSE) increased compared with the previous quarter and the previous year. There were 5.492 million employees in the public sector, up 19,000 (0.3%) on June 2017 and 21,000 (0.4%) on September 2016.

Looking longer-term, PSE has been generally falling for the last seven years, as shown in Figure 1. There are now just short of 1 million fewer employees in the public sector compared with the peak level of 6.459 million in September 2009.

Of all people in work, 17.1% were employed in the public sector. Over time we have seen a steady decrease from its peak level of 22.2% in March 2010.

Figure 1: Total UK public sector employment, March 1999 to September 2017, seasonally adjusted

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Source: Office for National Statistics

Notes:

1. Sep 2008: Housing associations in England reclassified to public sector.
2. Dec 2008: Lloyds Banking Group and Royal Bank of Scotland moved to public sector.
3. Jun 2012: English colleges moved to private sector.
4. Dec 2013: Royal Mail plc moved to private sector.
5. Mar 2014: Lloyds Banking Group moved back to the private sector.

4 . A rise in central government employment but falls in local government and public corporations

Central government employment continued to rise in September 2017, as shown in Figure 2. At 3.050 million, it was up 29,000 (1.0%) on the quarter and 101,000 (3.4%) on the year. Further schools converting to academy status and an increase in NHS employment contributed to the rise. The latest level is the highest shown since comparable records began in 1999.

Local government employment has continued to fall for another quarter. In September 2017, it decreased by 9,000 (0.4%) on the quarter and 74,000 (3.4%) on the year to reach 2.104 million. Academy conversions accounted for most of the decrease. September 2017 has seen local government employment at its lowest since comparable records began in 1999.

Employment in public corporations, at 338,000, was down 1,000 (0.3%) on the quarter and 6,000 (1.7%) on the year. This is the sixth consecutive fall and the lowest level since comparable records began in 1999.

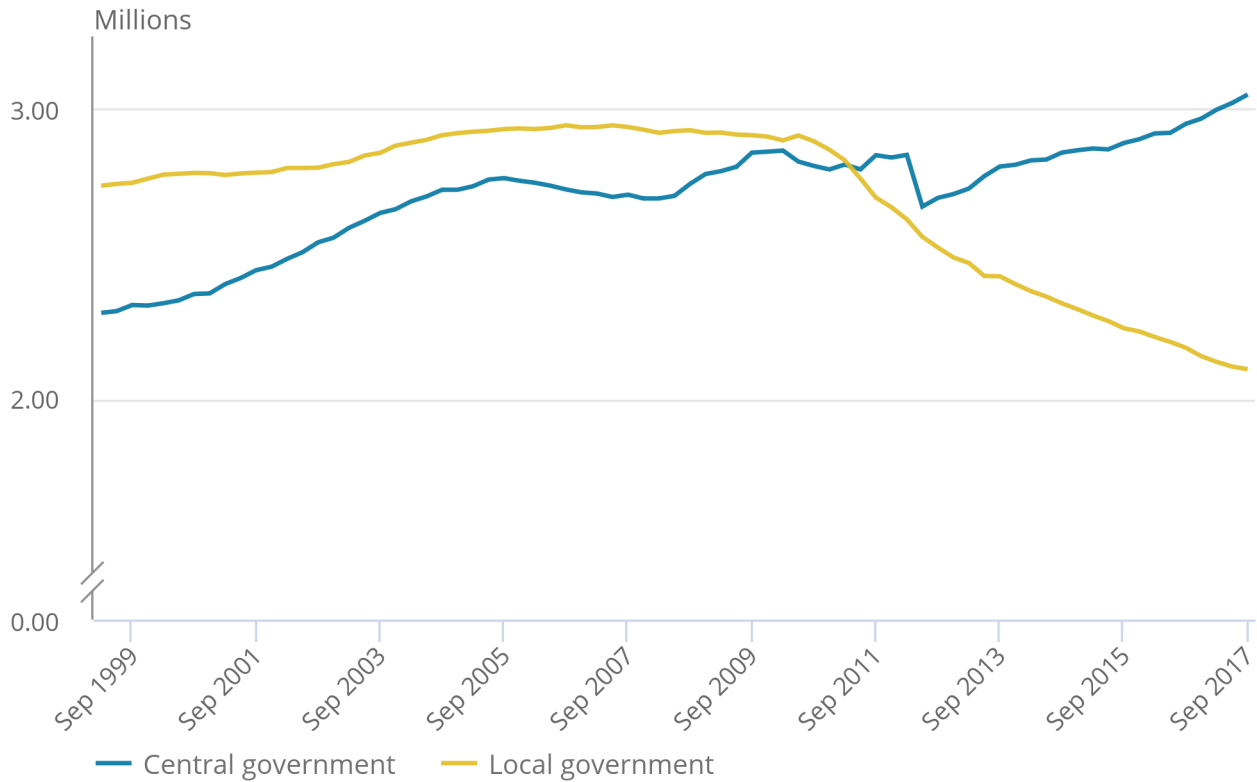
The impact of academies

There is an ongoing shift of employment from local government to central government, as a result of local authority maintained schools converting to academy status. Academies are classified to central government, whereas local authority maintained schools are classified to local government. As a result, whenever a local authority maintained school becomes an academy, its employees move from local government to central government.

In September 2017, around 19,000 employees for the quarter and 63,000 for the year transferred over to academies.

Figure 2: UK public sector employment in local and central government, March 1999 to September 2017, seasonally adjusted

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Source: Office for National Statistics

Notes:

1. July 2010: Academies Act 2010 passed.
2. June 2012: English colleges moved to the private sector.

5 . NHS employment continues to rise

NHS employment increased by 8,000 (0.5%) on the quarter and 33,000 (2.1%) on the year. At 1.629 million it is the highest level since comparable records began and accounts for 30% of total public sector employment (PSE).

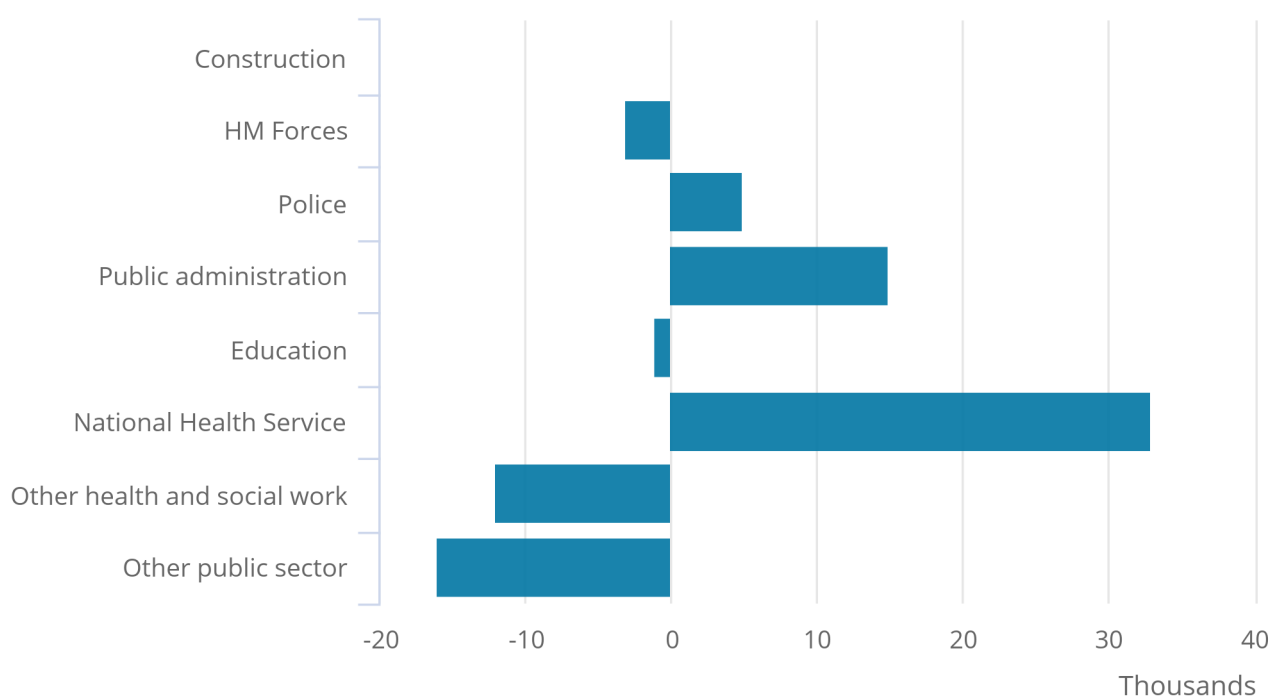
Public administration has seen an increase for the fourth consecutive quarter. In September 2017, it increased by 4,000 (0.4%) on the quarter and 15,000 (1.5%) on the year to reach 1.017 million.

Employment in the police increased for the third consecutive quarter. In September 2017, it increased by 2,000 (0.8%) on the quarter and 5,000 (2.0%) on the year to reach 250,000.

Employment in “other health and social work” has fallen every quarter since December 2011. This is down 2,000 (0.7%) on the quarter and 12,000 (4.3%) on the previous year. At 268,000 it’s the lowest figure since comparable records began in 1999.

Figure 3: Change in UK public sector employment, by industry, September 2016 to September 2017, seasonally adjusted

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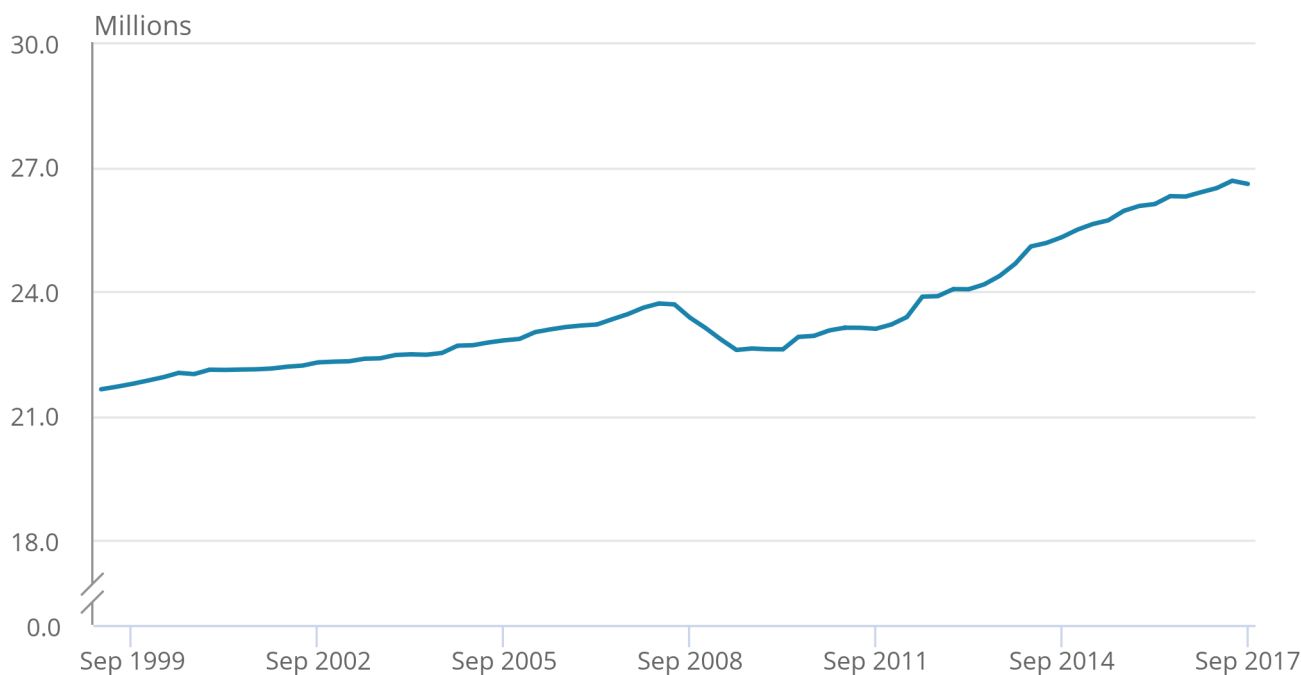
6 . Private sector employment falls

Private sector employment estimates are derived as the difference between total UK employment estimates sourced from the Labour Force Survey and the public sector employment estimates collected from public sector organisations.

Figure 4 shows private sector employment at 26.588 million, decreasing 75,000 (0.3%) on the quarter but up 304,000 (1.2%) on the year.

Figure 4: UK Private sector employment, March 1999 to September 2017, seasonally adjusted

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Source: Office for National Statistics

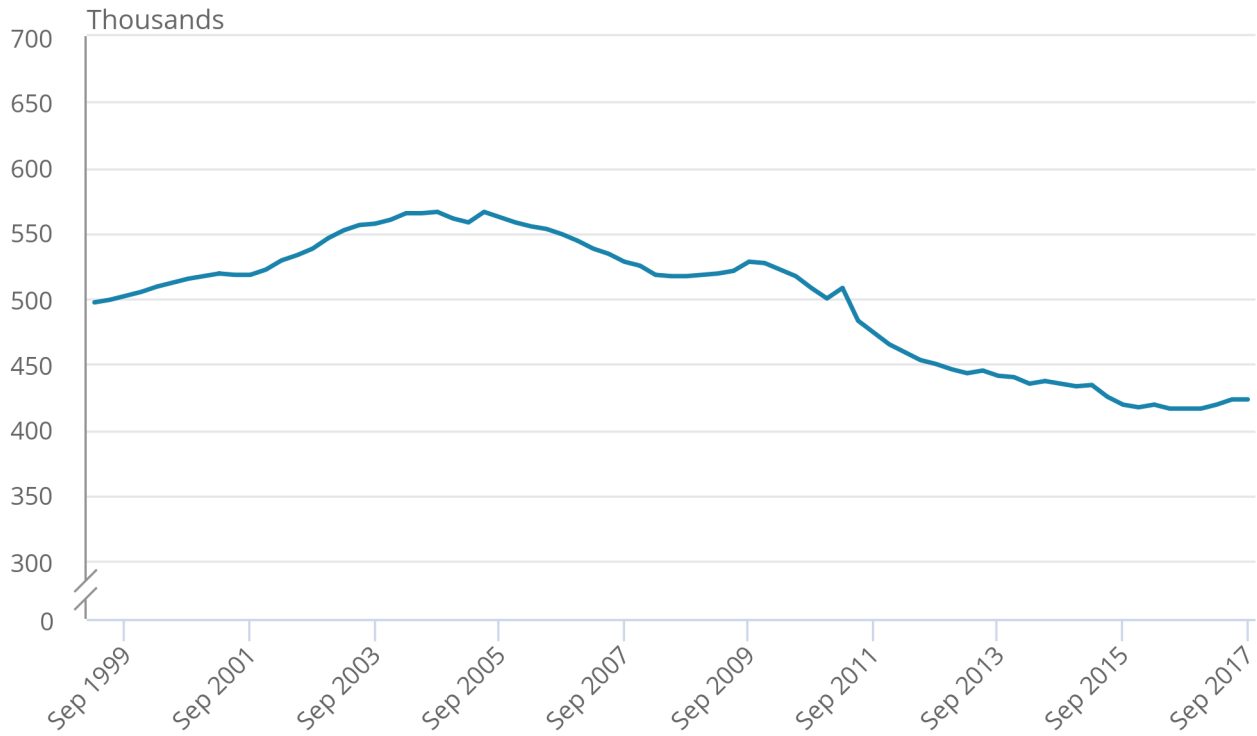
7 . Civil Service employment remains unchanged

At September 2017, employment in the Home Civil Service remains unchanged on the quarter at 423,000 but up 7,000 (1.7%) on the previous year.

Civil Service employment last peaked in June 2005 at 566,000. Since then it has generally been falling steadily, although has shown a slight increase in recent periods as shown in Figure 5.

Figure 5: Employment in the Home Civil Service, UK, March 1999 to September 2017

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Source: Office for National Statistics

Machinery of government changes in the period since 1 October 2016 are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Machinery of government changes, 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017, UK

Organisation name	Details
Rural Payments Agency	Around 60 employees transferred from the Rural Payments Agency to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs between June and September 2017.
Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs	Around 1,400 employees transferred from Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs to the Cabinet Office between June and September 2017.
Crown Commercial Service	Around 20 employees transferred from Crown Commercial Service to Cabinet Office between June and September 2017.
Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	The Department for Culture, Media and Sport became the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport on 3 July 2017.
Scottish Fiscal Commission	The Scottish Fiscal Commission was established as a non-ministerial department on 1 April 2017.
Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service	The National Offender Management Service became Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service on 3 April 2017. Around 600 employees transferred from Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service to the Ministry of Justice.
Education and Skills Funding Agency	On 1 April 2017, the Education Funding Agency and the Skills Funding Agency merged to form the Education and Skills Funding Agency.
Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs	Around 60 employees transferred from Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs to the Cabinet Office between April and June 2017.
Rural Payments Agency	Around 200 employees transferred from the Rural Payments Agency to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 1 April 2017.
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	Around 40 employees transferred from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office to FCO Services on 1 April 2017.
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	Around 150 employees transferred from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to the Government Legal Department as of 1 April 2017. Around 80 employees transferred from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to the Insolvency Service between April and June 2017.
Legal Aid Agency	Around 100 employees transferred from the Legal Aid Agency to the Ministry of Justice between April and June 2017.
The Royal Parks	As of 16 March 2017, The Royal Parks agency transferred from being an executive agency under Department for Culture, Media and Sport and is no longer part of the Civil Service.
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	Around 300 staff transferred from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to the Department for Education between January and March 2017.
Cabinet Office	Around 90 staff transferred from The Office for Civil Society, previously held under Cabinet Office, to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport on 1 January 2017.
FCO Services	Around 90 staff transferred from FCO Services to the Ministry of Defence (excluding trading funds) on 1 January 2017.

Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU)	The Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU) was formed in July 2016. DExEU employment was reported separately for the first time in the March 2017 release. The total DExEU headcount was approximately 350 as at 31 March 2017. As all DExEU employees are on loan, some still remain on home department records. To avoid double counting, DExEU has only reported the employees officially transferred as at 31 March 2017.
Animal and Plant Health Agency	Around 90 staff transferred from the Animal and Plant Health Agency to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs between September and December 2016.
Oil and Gas Authority	On 1 October 2016, the Oil and Gas Authority became a government-owned company and ceased to be part of the Civil Service.

Source: Office for National Statistics

8 . Links to related statistics

The quarterly Civil Service statistics in this release are the official measure of Civil Service employment. More detailed statistics on the Civil Service population, such as regional analyses, diversity and earnings statistics, can be found in the annual [Civil Service statistics](#) release.

Estimates of [public sector employment \(PSE\) in Scotland](#) are published quarterly by the Scottish Government on the same day as the UK PSE release.

Estimates of public and private sector jobs in Northern Ireland are published by the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) in the [Northern Ireland Quarterly Employment Survey](#) release.

The [UK labour market release](#) provides a comprehensive picture of the structure and size of the UK labour market each month, covering employment, unemployment, economic inactivity and other employment statistics.

9 . What's changed in this release?

On 29 September 2016, registered providers of social housing in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland (referred to as "housing associations" in this release) were reclassified from the private sector to the public sector. We have implemented this classification decision in this release and therefore the series have been revised from March 1999 onwards for Wales and Northern Ireland and from September 2001 for Scotland. More information can be found in the [Statistical classification of registered providers of social housing in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland: September 2016](#) report.

10 . Quality and methodology

The [Public sector employment \(PSE\) Quality and Methodology Information report](#) contains important information on:

- the strengths and limitations of the data and how it compares with related data
- uses and users of the data
- how the output was created
- the quality of the output including the accuracy of the data

Response rates

The primary source of the PSE statistics is the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES), which comprises three separate data collections: local authorities in England and Wales, public corporations and non-departmental public bodies (NDPBs) in Great Britain and the Home Civil Service. Our targets for response before the results are compiled are 90% for Local Authorities and Public Bodies QPSES and 100% for Civil Service QPSES. Response rates for the latest period are shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Response rates for sources of UK public sector employment, September 2017

	Response (% of questionnaires returned)	Response (% of employment returned)
Local Authorities Survey	93	94
Public Bodies Survey	92	96
Civil Service Survey	100	100
Other Sources (see Table 3)	100	100

Source: Office for National Statistics

So that estimates of total public sector employment can be made, it is necessary for further information to be gathered from external sources, listed in Table 3.

Table 3: External sources of data for UK public sector employment statistics, September 2017

	Geographic coverage	Source
Central government		
HM Forces	UK	Ministry of Defence: Defence Statistics
National Health Service	England	NHS Digital
	Wales	NHS Wales Informatics Service
	Scotland	Scottish Government
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Academies	England	School Workforce Census and list of all open academies (Department for Education)
Police (including civilians)	Scotland	Scottish Government
Police (British Transport Police)	England and Wales	Home Office
Other central government	Great Britain	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS)
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Local government		
Local authorities	England and Wales	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS)
	Scotland	Joint Staffing Watch (Scottish Government)
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Police (including civilians)	England and Wales	Home Office
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Public corporations		
	Great Britain	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS)
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Housing associations	England	Homes and Communities Agency
	Wales	Short Term Employment Survey (ONS)
	Scotland	Scottish Housing Regulator; Scottish Government
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel

Source: Office for National Statistics

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1 Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government			Total public corporations ⁸	Total public sector ³⁺⁴⁺⁶⁺⁷⁺⁸⁺⁹	Of which: Civil Service ⁴⁺¹⁰
	Central government ³⁺⁴⁺⁶⁺⁷	Local government ³	Total general government			
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
1999	2,304	2,742	5,046	364 †	5,410 †	499
2000	2,341	2,777	5,118	372	5,490	512
2001	2,418	2,778	5,196	384	5,580	518
2002	2,507	2,797	5,304	390	5,694	533
2003	2,615	2,840	5,455	402	5,857	556
2004	2,699	2,894	5,593	396	5,989	565
2005	2,757	2,925	5,682	402	6,084	566
2006	2,736	2,935	5,671	383	6,054	553
2007	2,697	2,944	5,641	379	6,020	534
2008	2,701	2,924	5,625	384	6,009	517
2009	2,801	2,912	5,713	714	6,427	521
2010	2,819	2,909 †	5,728 †	692	6,420	517
2011	2,792	2,761	5,553	668	6,221	483
2012	2,664	2,560	5,224	647	5,871	453
2013	2,769	2,425	5,194	632	5,826	445
2014	2,826	2,354	5,180	358	5,538	437
2015	2,861	2,270	5,131	349	5,480	425
2016	2,918 †	2,198	5,116	348	5,464	416
2017	3,021	2,113	5,134	339	5,473	423
1999 Mar	2,298	2,736	5,034	364 †	5,398 †	497
1999 Jun	2,304	2,742	5,046	364	5,410	499
1999 Sep	2,325	2,746 †	5,071 †	367	5,438	502
1999 Dec	2,323	2,760	5,083	371	5,454	505
2000 Mar	2,331	2,774	5,105	367	5,472	509
2000 Jun	2,341	2,777	5,118	372	5,490	512
2000 Sep	2,363	2,780	5,143	375	5,518	515
2000 Dec	2,365	2,779	5,144	378	5,522	517
2001 Mar	2,397	2,773	5,170	383	5,553	519
2001 Jun	2,418	2,778	5,196	384	5,580	518
2001 Sep	2,445	2,781	5,226	384	5,610	518
2001 Dec	2,457	2,783	5,240	386	5,626	522
2002 Mar	2,484	2,797	5,281	388	5,669	529
2002 Jun	2,507	2,797	5,304	390	5,694	533
2002 Sep	2,541	2,798	5,339	392	5,731	538
2002 Dec	2,557	2,810	5,367	406	5,773	546
2003 Mar	2,591	2,818	5,409	415	5,824	552
2003 Jun	2,615	2,840	5,455	402	5,857	556
2003 Sep	2,642	2,849	5,491	405	5,896	557
2003 Dec	2,655	2,874	5,529	401	5,930	560
2004 Mar	2,682	2,884	5,566	398	5,964	565
2004 Jun	2,699	2,894	5,593	396	5,989	565
2004 Sep	2,722	2,910	5,632	393	6,025	566
2004 Dec	2,722	2,917	5,639	394	6,033	561
2005 Mar	2,734	2,922	5,656	398	6,054	558
2005 Jun	2,757	2,925	5,682	402	6,084	566
2005 Sep	2,762	2,931	5,693	399	6,092	562
2005 Dec	2,753	2,933	5,686	392	6,078	558
2006 Mar	2,746	2,931	5,677	389	6,066	555
2006 Jun	2,736	2,935	5,671	383	6,054	553
2006 Sep	2,723	2,944	5,667	379	6,046	549
2006 Dec	2,713	2,937	5,650	373	6,023	544
2007 Mar	2,709	2,938	5,647	382	6,029	538
2007 Jun	2,697	2,944	5,641	379	6,020	534
2007 Sep	2,705	2,938	5,643	373	6,016	528
2007 Dec	2,692	2,929	5,621	384	6,005	525
2008 Mar	2,692	2,918	5,610	387	5,997	518
2008 Jun	2,701	2,924	5,625	384	6,009	517
2008 Sep	2,742	2,927	5,669	498	6,167	517
2008 Dec	2,776	2,918	5,694	724	6,418	518
2009 Mar	2,786	2,919	5,705	724	6,429	519
2009 Jun	2,801	2,912	5,713	714	6,427	521
2009 Sep	2,850	2,910	5,760	699	6,459	528
2009 Dec	2,853	2,905	5,758	691	6,449	527
2010 Mar	2,857	2,892	5,749	694	6,443	522
2010 Jun	2,819	2,909	5,728	692	6,420	517
2010 Sep	2,804	2,889	5,693	686	6,379	508
2010 Dec	2,792	2,860	5,652	678	6,330	500
2011 Mar	2,809	2,823	5,632	678	6,310	508
2011 Jun	2,792	2,761	5,553	668	6,221	483
2011 Sep	2,841	2,695	5,536	660	6,196	474
2011 Dec	2,833	2,662	5,495	653	6,148	465
2012 Mar	2,842	2,620	5,462	651	6,113	459
2012 Jun	2,664	2,560	5,224	647	5,871	453
2012 Sep	2,694	2,523	5,217	642	5,859	450
2012 Dec	2,707	2,489	5,196	640	5,836	446
2013 Mar	2,726	2,470	5,196	635	5,831	443
2013 Jun	2,769	2,425	5,194	632	5,826	445
2013 Sep	2,802	2,424	5,226	619	5,845	441
2013 Dec	2,808	2,397	5,205	457	5,662	440
2014 Mar	2,823	2,373	5,196	360	5,556	435
2014 Jun	2,826	2,354	5,180	358	5,538	437
2014 Sep	2,850	2,331	5,181	356	5,537	435
2014 Dec	2,858	2,311	5,169	354	5,523	433
2015 Mar	2,864	2,289	5,153	351	5,504	434
2015 Jun	2,861	2,270	5,131	349	5,480	425
2015 Sep	2,883	2,245	5,128	350	5,478	419
2015 Dec	2,896 †	2,234	5,130	350	5,480	417
2016 Mar	2,916	2,215	5,131	350	5,481	419
2016 Jun	2,918	2,198	5,116	348	5,464	416
2016 Sep	2,949	2,178	5,127	344	5,471	416
2016 Dec	2,967	2,149	5,116	341	5,457	416
2017 Mar	2,998	2,129	5,127	340	5,467	419
2017 Jun	3,021	2,113	5,134	339	5,473	423
2017 Sep	3,050	2,104	5,154	338	5,492	423

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	General government						Of which: Civil Service ^{4 10}
	Central government ^{3+5 6 7}	Local government ³	Total general government	Total public corporations ⁸	Total public sector ^{3+5 6 7 8 9}		
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6	
Change on quarter to:							
2016 Sep	31 [†]	-20	11 [†]	-4	7 [†]	0	
Dec	18	-29	-11	-3 [†]	-14	0	
2017 Mar	31	-20 [†]	11	-1	10	3	
Jun	23	-16	7	-1	6	4	
Sep	29	-9	20	-1	19	0	
% change on quarter to:							
2016 Sep	1.1 [†]	-0.9	0.2 [†]	-1.1 [†]	0.1 [†]	0.0	
Dec	0.6	-1.3	-0.2	-0.9	-0.3	0.0	
2017 Mar	1.0	-0.9 [†]	0.2	-0.3	0.2	0.7	
Jun	0.8	-0.8	0.1	-0.3	0.1	1.0	
Sep	1.0	-0.4	0.4	-0.3	0.3	0.0	
Change on year to:							
2016 Sep	66 [†]	-67 [†]	-1 [†]	-6 [†]	-7 [†]	-3	
Dec	71	-85	-14	-9	-23	-1	
2017 Mar	82	-86	-4	-10	-14	0	
Jun	103	-85	18	-9	9	7	
Sep	101	-74	27	-6	21	7	
% change on year to:							
2016 Sep	2.3	-3.0 [†]	0.0 [†]	-1.7 [†]	-0.1 [†]	-0.7	
Dec	2.5 [†]	-3.8	-0.3	-2.6	-0.4	-0.2	
2017 Mar	2.8	-3.9	-0.1	-2.9	-0.3	0.0	
Jun	3.5	-3.9	0.4	-2.6	0.2	1.7	
Sep	3.4	-3.4	0.5	-1.7	0.4	1.7	

Source: Office for National Statistics

- 1 Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.
 - 2 Annual figures relate to June quarter.
 - 3 Police (England & Wales) are based on projections.
 - 4 Estimates for March 2011 include 15,000 temporary staff employed in connection with the 2011 Census.
 - 5 Network Rail is included in the private sector before December 2002. From December 2002 onwards it is included in the public sector (except for the period from June 2003 to March 2004, when it is included in the private sector).
 - 6 Welsh further education colleges were reclassified to the private sector on 27 January 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.
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United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security					Health and social work			
	Construction ²	HM Forces ³	Police (including civilians) ⁴	Public administration ⁵	Education ^{6,7}	National Health Service ⁸	Other health and social work ^{2,9}	Other public sector ^{2,10}	
	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM	
1999	107	218	227	1,172	1,386	1,179	391 †	733 †	
2000	104	217	225	1,178	1,440	1,204	387	737	
2001	95	214	229	1,185	1,466	1,249	374	771	
2002	81	214	238	1,212	1,472	1,308	370	797	
2003	77 †	223	248	1,257	1,530	1,374	350	798	
2004	78	218	264	1,270	1,568	1,429	364	798	
2005	72	210	272	1,287	1,582	1,479 †	371	810	
2006	67	204	274	1,282	1,608	1,477	364	778	
2007	60	197	283	1,269	1,622	1,443	362	784	
2008	53	193	286	1,225	1,635	1,463	360	799	
2009	52	197	294	1,208	1,655 †	1,528	393	1,106	
2010	48	197	292	1,199	1,685	1,558	398	1,050	
2011	44	193	277	1,119	1,660	1,530	383	1,022	
2012	43	186	266	1,077	1,470	1,503	359	974	
2013	41	175	261	1,072	1,501	1,505	340	937	
2014	40	164	256	1,060 †	1,518	1,528	320	657	
2015	36	159	254	1,020	1,520	1,551	302	644	
2016	36	158	246	1,003	1,516	1,588	289	633	
2017	36	156	248	1,013	1,518	1,621	270	616	
1999 Mar	108	217	228	1,163	1,385	1,173	391 †	734 †	
1999 Jun	107	218	227	1,172	1,386	1,179	391 †	733	
1999 Sep	112	218	226	1,177	1,385	1,185	396	732	
1999 Dec	111	217	226	1,181	1,396	1,190	400	740	
2000 Mar	107	217	225	1,184	1,410	1,197	397	735	
2000 Jun	104	217	225	1,178	1,440	1,204	387	737	
2000 Sep	100	216	226	1,177	1,452	1,213	379	750	
2000 Dec	99	215	227	1,177	1,457	1,223	376	753	
2001 Mar	97	215	228	1,191	1,466	1,235	379	760	
2001 Jun	95	214	229	1,185	1,466	1,249	374	771	
2001 Sep	87	214	231	1,188	1,463	1,263	378	778	
2001 Dec	84	214	234	1,197	1,467	1,278	367	788	
2002 Mar	83	214	236	1,204	1,474	1,292	371	797	
2002 Jun	81	214	238	1,212	1,472	1,308	370	797	
2002 Sep	80	215	240	1,215	1,499	1,325	357	791	
2002 Dec	77	215	242	1,236	1,510	1,341	346	808	
2003 Mar	79	221	246	1,246	1,518	1,359	345	812	
2003 Jun	77 †	223	248	1,257	1,530	1,374	350	798	
2003 Sep	80	222	252	1,260	1,534	1,391	354	796	
2003 Dec	80	221	256	1,258	1,557	1,408	364	791	
2004 Mar	79	219	260	1,267	1,562	1,426	365	790	
2004 Jun	78	218	264	1,270	1,568	1,429	364	798	
2004 Sep	76	216	265	1,279	1,572	1,443 †	367	800	
2004 Dec	75	214	267	1,278	1,576	1,456	369	800	
2005 Mar	74	212	271	1,280	1,581	1,466	369	803	
2005 Jun	72	210	272	1,287	1,582	1,479	371	810	
2005 Sep	70	208	271	1,284	1,593	1,486	366	809	
2005 Dec	68	206	274	1,284	1,600	1,488	367	795	
2006 Mar	66	205	274	1,285	1,604	1,483	364	789	
2006 Jun	67	204	274	1,282	1,608	1,477	364	778	
2006 Sep	62	203	276	1,283	1,612	1,460	367	776	
2006 Dec	61	202	279	1,280	1,612	1,448	364	780	
2007 Mar	61	199	282	1,275	1,618	1,447	363	785	
2007 Jun	60	197	283	1,269	1,622	1,443	362	784	
2007 Sep	60	195	284	1,268 †	1,629	1,445	359	770	
2007 Dec	58	196	284	1,257	1,635	1,447	355	777	
2008 Mar	55	194	286	1,234	1,630	1,449	359	791	
2008 Jun	53	193	286	1,225	1,635	1,463	360	799	
2008 Sep	55	194 †	287	1,208	1,647	1,486	394	889	
2008 Dec	53	194	289	1,210	1,650 †	1,506	396	1,122	
2009 Mar	52	196	293	1,209	1,662	1,506	395	1,118	
2009 Jun	52	197	294	1,208	1,655	1,528	398	1,106	
2009 Sep	49	199	296	1,220	1,657	1,543	405	1,084	
2009 Dec	50	199	295	1,213	1,674	1,554	403	1,062	
2010 Mar	50	199	295	1,213	1,671	1,559	398	1,059	
2010 Jun	48	197	292	1,199	1,685	1,558	398	1,050	
2010 Sep	47	196	290	1,181	1,666	1,550	396	1,045	
2010 Dec	46	196	286	1,175	1,659	1,546	390	1,033	
2011 Mar	45	194	282	1,164	1,660	1,540	389	1,037	
2011 Jun	44	193	277	1,119	1,660	1,530	383	1,022	
2011 Sep	43	191	273	1,109	1,669	1,522	375	1,006	
2011 Dec	41	190	270	1,093	1,665	1,515	377	995	
2012 Mar	41	187	268	1,081	1,683	1,508	365	981	
2012 Jun	43	186	266	1,077	1,470	1,503	359	974	
2012 Sep	43	183	264	1,070	1,469	1,502	353	969	
2012 Dec	43	179	263	1,069	1,470	1,505	347	961	
2013 Mar	42	178	261	1,072	1,479	1,508	344	949	
2013 Jun	41	175	261	1,072	1,501	1,505	340	937	
2013 Sep	41	174	259	1,073	1,515	1,512	339	926	
2013 Dec	40	169	258	1,062	1,522	1,516	334	762	
2014 Mar	40	167	257	1,059	1,521	1,523	330	659	
2014 Jun	40	164	256	1,060	1,518	1,528	320	657	
2014 Sep	40	163	256	1,053	1,515	1,534	316	656	
2014 Dec	39	162	255	1,046	1,520	1,538	312	652	
2015 Mar	37	161	255	1,035	1,516	1,545	305	647	
2015 Jun	36	159	254	1,020	1,520	1,551	302	644	
2015 Sep	35	159	252	1,015	1,514	1,558	297	641	
2015 Dec	35	159	250	1,015	1,516	1,571	294	639	
2016 Mar	36	158	248	1,011	1,517	1,579	290	642	
2016 Jun	36	158	246	1,003	1,516	1,588	289	633	
2016 Sep	35	158	245	1,002	1,519	1,596	280	632	
2016 Dec	36	158	243	1,003	1,518	1,602	275	623	
2017 Mar	37	157	245	1,005	1,517	1,612	273	618	
2017 Jun	36	156	248	1,013	1,518	1,621	270	616	
2017 Sep	35	155	250	1,017	1,518	1,629	268	616	

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	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM			
Change on quarter to:											
2016 Sep	-1	0	-1	-1	3 †	8	-9 †	-1 †			
Dec	1 †	0 †	-2	1	-1	6 †	-5	-9			
2017 Mar	1	-1	2	2 †	-1	10	-2	-5			
Jun	-1	-1	3	8	1	9	-3	-2			
Sep	-1	-1	2	4	0	8	-2	0			
% change on quarter to:											
2016 Sep	-2.8 †	0.0	-0.4	-0.1	0.2 †	0.5	-3.1 †	-0.2 †			
Dec	2.9	0.0 †	-0.8	0.1	-0.1	0.4 †	-1.8	-1.4			
2017 Mar	2.8	-0.6	0.8	0.2 †	-0.1	0.6	-0.7	-0.8			
Jun	-2.7	-0.6	1.2	0.8	0.1	0.6	-1.1	-0.3			
Sep	-2.8	-0.6	0.8	0.4	0.0	0.5	-0.7	0.0			
Change on year to:											
2016 Sep	0 †	-1	-7	-13 †	5 †	38 †	-17 †	-9 †			
Dec	1	-1 †	-7	-12	2	31	-19	-16			
2017 Mar	1	-1	-3	-6	0	33	-17	-24			
Jun	0	-2	2	10	2	33	-19	-17			
Sep	0	-3	5	15	-1	33	-12	-16			
% change on year to:											
2016 Sep	0.0 †	-0.6	-2.8	-1.3 †	0.3 †	2.4 †	-5.7 †	-1.4 †			
Dec	2.9	-0.6 †	-2.8	-1.2	0.1	2.0	-6.5	-2.5			
2017 Mar	2.8	-0.6	-1.2	-0.6	0.0	2.1	-5.9	-3.7			
Jun	0.0	-1.3	0.8	1.0	0.1	2.1	-6.6	-2.7			
Sep	0.0	-1.9	2.0	1.5	-0.1	2.1	-4.3	-2.5			

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³ HM Forces series exclude locally engaged staff. The series also excludes mobilised reservists prior to 1996 as statistics are not available. Prior to June 2008, March = 1 March, June = 1 June, September = 1 September, December = 1 December. From June 2008 onwards March = 1 April, June = 1 July, September = 1 October, December = 1 January.

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3 Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government						Of which: Civil Service ^{4 10}
	Central government ^{3 4 5 6 7}	Local government ³	Total general government	Total public corporations ⁸	Total public sector ^{3 4 5 6 7 8 9}		
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6	
1999	1,966 †	2,002	3,968 †	343 †	4,311 †	477	
2000	1,995	2,016	4,011	351	4,362	488	
2001	2,057	2,010	4,067	362	4,429	493	
2002	2,131	2,030	4,161	369	4,530	506	
2003	2,220	2,066	4,286	377	4,663	525	
2004	2,301	2,110	4,411	370	4,781	534	
2005	2,348	2,142	4,490	377	4,867	532	
2006	2,335	2,172	4,507	357	4,864	519	
2007	2,324	2,184 †	4,508	352	4,860	500	
2008	2,338	2,169	4,507	357	4,864	484	
2009	2,432	2,173	4,605	657	5,262	487	
2010	2,455	2,178	4,633	636	5,269	481	
2011	2,424	2,067	4,491	616	5,107	447	
2012	2,340	1,925	4,265	596	4,861	418	
2013	2,426	1,828	4,254	584	4,838	410	
2014	2,471	1,777	4,248	334	4,582	403	
2015	2,502	1,716	4,218	324	4,542	392	
2016	2,545	1,663	4,208	323	4,531	384	
2017	2,628	1,601	4,229	315	4,544	392	
1999 Mar	1,961 †	1,999	3,960 †	342 †	4,302 †	475	
1999 Jun	1,966	2,002	3,968	343	4,311	477	
1999 Sep	1,975	2,004	3,979	346	4,325	480	
1999 Dec	1,984	2,009	3,993	351	4,344	482	
2000 Mar	1,987	2,015	4,002	345	4,347	485	
2000 Jun	1,995	2,016	4,011	351	4,362	488	
2000 Sep	2,006	2,019	4,025	354	4,379	491	
2000 Dec	2,017	2,017	4,034	356	4,390	493	
2001 Mar	2,039	2,007	4,046	360	4,406	494	
2001 Jun	2,057	2,010	4,067	362	4,429	493	
2001 Sep	2,073	2,015	4,088	363	4,451	492	
2001 Dec	2,092	2,018	4,110	364	4,474	496	
2002 Mar	2,112	2,027	4,139	366	4,505	502	
2002 Jun	2,131	2,030	4,161	369	4,530	506	
2002 Sep	2,152	2,030	4,182	372	4,554	510	
2002 Dec	2,176	2,043	4,219	382	4,601	516	
2003 Mar	2,199	2,051	4,250	391	4,641	521	
2003 Jun	2,220	2,066	4,286	377	4,663	525	
2003 Sep	2,241	2,074	4,315	381	4,696	527	
2003 Dec	2,256	2,091	4,347	375	4,722	529	
2004 Mar	2,284	2,100	4,384	373	4,757	534	
2004 Jun	2,301	2,110	4,411	370	4,781	534	
2004 Sep	2,316	2,119	4,435	369	4,804	534	
2004 Dec	2,319	2,124	4,443	371	4,814	529	
2005 Mar	2,328	2,138	4,466	374	4,840	525	
2005 Jun	2,348	2,142	4,490	377	4,867	532	
2005 Sep	2,347	2,159	4,506	375	4,881	530	
2005 Dec	2,344	2,158	4,502	367	4,869	525	
2006 Mar	2,337	2,164	4,501	363	4,864	521	
2006 Jun	2,335	2,172	4,507	357	4,864	519	
2006 Sep	2,325	2,176	4,501	352	4,853	515	
2006 Dec	2,336	2,183	4,519	348	4,867	510	
2007 Mar	2,333	2,180	4,513	354	4,867	504	
2007 Jun	2,324	2,184 †	4,508	352	4,860	500	
2007 Sep	2,324	2,184	4,508	347	4,855	495	
2007 Dec	2,317	2,172	4,489	360	4,849	491	
2008 Mar	2,316	2,167	4,483	359	4,842	485	
2008 Jun	2,338	2,169	4,507	357	4,864	484	
2008 Sep	2,361	2,179	4,540	461	5,001	483	
2008 Dec	2,394	2,175	4,569	670	5,239	484	
2009 Mar	2,417	2,179	4,596	665	5,261	485	
2009 Jun	2,432	2,173	4,605	657	5,262	487	
2009 Sep	2,466	2,173	4,639	643	5,282	493	
2009 Dec	2,473	2,176	4,649	636	5,285	493	
2010 Mar	2,476	2,160	4,636	637	5,273	487	
2010 Jun	2,455	2,178	4,633	636	5,269	481	
2010 Sep	2,424	2,162	4,586	631	5,217	473	
2010 Dec	2,421	2,136	4,557	624	5,181	465	
2011 Mar	2,427	2,112	4,539	628	5,167	465	
2011 Jun	2,424	2,067	4,491	616	5,107	447	
2011 Sep	2,451	2,021	4,472	608	5,080	439	
2011 Dec	2,448	1,995	4,443	602	5,045	430	
2012 Mar	2,452	1,968	4,420	600	5,020	424	
2012 Jun	2,340	1,925	4,265	596	4,861	418	
2012 Sep	2,350	1,902	4,252	593	4,845	415	
2012 Dec	2,367	1,882	4,249	592	4,841	411	
2013 Mar	2,380	1,864	4,244	586	4,830	409	
2013 Jun	2,426	1,828	4,254	584	4,838	410	
2013 Sep	2,445	1,830	4,275	571	4,846	407	
2013 Dec	2,454	1,807	4,261	423	4,684	405	
2014 Mar	2,464	1,788	4,252	335	4,587	401	
2014 Jun	2,471	1,777	4,248	334	4,582	403	
2014 Sep	2,483	1,762	4,245	332	4,577	401	
2014 Dec	2,493	1,747	4,240	329	4,569	400	
2015 Mar	2,496	1,729	4,225	326	4,551	400	
2015 Jun	2,502	1,716	4,218	324	4,542	392	
2015 Sep	2,506	1,699	4,205	326	4,531	387	
2015 Dec	2,523	1,690	4,213	325	4,538	386	
2016 Mar	2,539	1,675	4,214	325	4,539	387	
2016 Jun	2,545	1,663	4,208	323	4,531	384	
2016 Sep	2,564	1,647	4,211	320	4,531	385	
2016 Dec	2,581	1,629	4,210	316	4,526	385	
2017 Mar	2,604	1,614	4,218	315	4,533	389	
2017 Jun	2,628	1,601	4,229	315	4,544	392	
2017 Sep	2,641	1,594	4,235	314	4,549	392	

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	General government					
	Central government ^{3 4 5 6 7}	Local government ³	Total general government	Total public corporations ⁸	Total public sector ^{3 4 5 6 7 8 9}	Of which: Civil Service ^{4 10}
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
Change on quarter to:						
2016 Sep	19 †	-16 †	3 †	-3 †	0 †	1
Dec	17	-18	-1	-4	-5	0
2017 Mar	23	-15	8	-1	7	4
Jun	24	-13	11	0	11	3
Sep	13	-7	6	-1	5	0
% change on quarter to:						
2016 Sep	0.7 †	-1.0 †	0.1 †	-0.9 †	0.0 †	0.3
Dec	0.7	-1.1	0.0	-1.3	-0.1	0.0
2017 Mar	0.9	-0.9	0.2	-0.3	0.2	1.0
Jun	0.9	-0.8	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.8
Sep	0.5	-0.4	0.1	-0.3	0.1	0.0
Change on year to:						
2016 Sep	58 †	-52 †	6 †	-6 †	0 †	-2
Dec	58	-61	-3	-9	-12	-1
2017 Mar	65	-61	4	-10	-6	2
Jun	83	-62	21	-8	13	8
Sep	77	-53	24	-6	18	7
% change on year to:						
2016 Sep	2.3 †	-3.1	0.1 †	-1.8 †	0.0 †	-0.5
Dec	2.3	-3.6 †	-0.1	-2.6	-0.3	-0.3
2017 Mar	2.6	-3.6	0.1	-3.1	-0.1	0.5
Jun	3.3	-3.7	0.5	-2.5	0.3	2.1
Sep	3.0	-3.2	0.6	-1.9	0.4	1.8

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United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security								Health and social work		
	Construction ²	HM Forces ³	Police (including civilians) ⁴	Public administration ⁵	Education ^{6,7}	National Health Service ⁸	Other health and social work ^{2,9}	Other public sector ^{2,10}			
									G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
1999	-	218	220	988	948	970	277	†	612	†	
2000	-	217	218	994	982	990	273		614		
2001	-	214	222	998	998	1,025	264		642		
2002	-	214	230	1,020	1,007	1,075	263		661		
2003	-	223	240	1,056	1,050	1,126	249		664		
2004	-	218	254	1,069	1,076	1,179	260		668		
2005	-	210	262	1,081	1,090	1,221	268		683		
2006	-	204	264	1,077	1,121	1,224	266		654		
2007	-	197	272	1,062	1,132	1,220	265		662		
2008	-	193	275	1,025	1,143	1,245	263		679		
2009	-	197	283	1,015	1,164	1,304	298		959		
2010	-	197	281	1,010	1,193	1,335	301		914		
2011	-	193	266	940	1,183	1,313	291		891		
2012	-	186	255	903	1,067	1,293	275		851		
2013	-	175	250	900	1,100	1,298	261	†	823		
2014	-	164	246	888	1,115	1,324	246		570		
2015	-	159	243	853	1,119	1,346	233		560		
2016	-	158	236	842	1,112	1,383	222		550		
2017	-	156	235	852	1,114	1,412	208		536		
1999 Mar	-	217	221	984	945	967	277	†	613	†	
1999 Jun	-	218	220	988	948	970	277		612		
1999 Sep	-	218	219	989	944	975	280		611		
1999 Dec	-	217	219	996	950	979	283		620		
2000 Mar	-	217	218	1,000	957	984	281		613		
2000 Jun	-	217	218	994	982	990	273		614		
2000 Sep	-	216	219	990	989	996	267		624		
2000 Dec	-	215	219	994	994	1,004	266		627		
2001 Mar	-	215	221	997	997	1,014	264		632		
2001 Jun	-	214	222	998	998	1,025	264	†	642		
2001 Sep	-	214	224	998	997	1,036	268		646		
2001 Dec	-	214	226	1,008	1,001	1,048	260		654		
2002 Mar	-	214	228	1,014	1,004	1,062	262		660		
2002 Jun	-	214	230	1,020	1,007	1,075	263		661		
2002 Sep	-	215	232	1,021	1,023	1,088	254		659		
2002 Dec	-	215	234	1,040	1,033	1,101	246		674		
2003 Mar	-	221	237	1,048	1,039	1,114	246		678		
2003 Jun	-	223	240	1,056	1,050	1,126	249		664		
2003 Sep	-	222	243	1,060	1,049	1,142	252		664		
2003 Dec	-	221	247	1,060	1,065	1,152	259		659		
2004 Mar	-	219	251	1,067	1,071	1,173	260		659		
2004 Jun	-	218	254	1,069	1,076	1,179	260		668		
2004 Sep	-	216	256	1,076	1,076	1,190	262		670		
2004 Dec	-	214	258	1,074	1,077	1,198	263		673		
2005 Mar	-	212	261	1,075	1,085	1,210	266		677		
2005 Jun	-	210	262	1,081	1,090	1,221	268		683		
2005 Sep	-	208	263	1,080	1,102	1,226	265		682		
2005 Dec	-	206	264	1,079	1,108	1,228	266		666		
2006 Mar	-	205	263	†	1,078	1,115	266		664		
2006 Jun	-	204	264	1,077	1,121	1,224	266		654		
2006 Sep	-	203	266	1,077	1,121	1,221	267		652		
2006 Dec	-	202	268	1,075	1,128	1,221	266		658		
2007 Mar	-	199	272	1,068	1,131	1,223	266		662		
2007 Jun	-	197	272	1,062	1,132	1,220	265		662		
2007 Sep	-	195	273	1,063	1,141	1,222	261		653		
2007 Dec	-	196	273	1,051	1,141	1,224	258		662		
2008 Mar	-	194	274	1,033	1,140	1,226	263		673		
2008 Jun	-	193	275	1,025	1,143	1,245	263		679		
2008 Sep	-	194	†	1,014	1,157	1,262	295		761		
2008 Dec	-	194	278	1,017	1,161	1,277	296		975		
2009 Mar	-	196	281	1,016	1,170	1,290	299		971		
2009 Jun	-	197	283	1,015	1,164	1,304	298		959		
2009 Sep	-	199	284	1,027	1,168	1,320	303		940		
2009 Dec	-	199	283	1,024	1,184	1,331	304		922		
2010 Mar	-	199	283	1,019	1,179	1,337	301		920		
2010 Jun	-	197	281	1,010	1,193	1,335	301		914		
2010 Sep	-	196	279	992	1,177	1,328	299		908		
2010 Dec	-	196	275	984	1,174	1,324	294		899		
2011 Mar	-	194	271	971	1,179	1,320	295		907		
2011 Jun	-	193	266	940	1,183	1,313	291		891		
2011 Sep	-	191	262	929	1,195	1,306	284		879		
2011 Dec	-	190	259	914	1,194	1,301	285		869		
2012 Mar	-	187	257	905	1,210	1,295	278		858		
2012 Jun	-	186	255	903	1,067	1,293	275		851		
2012 Sep	-	183	253	896	1,070	1,293	†	†	847		
2012 Dec	-	179	252	895	1,075	1,297	267		842		
2013 Mar	-	178	251	897	1,078	1,299	263		832		
2013 Jun	-	175	250	900	1,100	1,298	261		823		
2013 Sep	-	174	248	899	1,112	1,305	261		815		
2013 Dec	-	169	247	889	†	1,310	258		663		
2014 Mar	-	167	246	887	1,116	1,318	255		570		
2014 Jun	-	164	246	888	1,115	1,324	246		570		
2014 Sep	-	163	245	882	1,114	1,329	243		568		
2014 Dec	-	162	244	876	1,118	1,334	240		564		
2015 Mar	-	161	245	867	1,117	1,340	235		561		
2015 Jun	-	159	243	853	1,119	1,346	233		560		
2015 Sep	-	159	241	852	1,111	1,352	228		557		
2015 Dec	-	159	240	852	1,112	1,366	227		555		
2016 Mar	-	158	238	849	1,113	1,374	223		558		
2016 Jun	-	158	236	842	1,112	1,383	222		550		
2016 Sep	-	158	235	842	1,114	1,390	216		548		
2016 Dec	-	158	233	844	1,115	1,395	212		541		
2017 Mar	-	157	235	848	1,114	1,404	211		537		
2017 Jun	-	156	235	852	1,114	1,412	208		536		
2017 Sep	-	155	237	856	1,114	1,419	207		535		

4 Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent ¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Education ^{6,7}	Health and social work		Other public sector ^{2,10}
	Construction ²	HM Forces ³	Police (including civilians) ⁴	Public administration ⁵		National Health Service ⁸	Other health and social work ^{2,9}	
	G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
Change on quarter to:								
2016 Sep	-	0	-1	0	2 †	7 †	-6	-2 †
Dec	-	0 †	-2	2 †	1	5	-4	-7
2017 Mar	-	-1	2	4	-1	9	-1	-4
Jun	-	-1	0	4	0	8	-3 †	-1
Sep	-	-1	2	4	0	7	-1	-1
% change on quarter to:								
2016 Sep	-	0.0	-0.4	0.0	0.2 †	0.5 †	-2.7 †	-0.4 †
Dec	-	0.0 †	-0.9	0.2 †	0.1	0.4	-1.9	-1.3
2017 Mar	-	-0.6	0.9	0.5	-0.1	0.6	-0.5	-0.7
Jun	-	-0.6	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.6	-1.4	-0.2
Sep	-	-0.6	0.9	0.5	0.0	0.5	-0.5	-0.2
Change on year to:								
2016 Sep	-	-1	-6	-10	3 †	38 †	-12 †	-9 †
Dec	-	-1 †	-7	-8 †	3	29	-15	-14
2017 Mar	-	-1	-3	1	1	30	-12	-21
Jun	-	-2	-1	10	2	29	-14	-14
Sep	-	-3	2	14	0	29	-9	-13
% change on year to:								
2016 Sep	-	-0.6	-2.5	-1.2	0.3 †	2.8 †	-5.3 †	-1.6 †
Dec	-	-0.6 †	-2.9	-0.9 †	0.3	2.1	-6.6	-2.5
2017 Mar	-	-0.6	-1.3	-0.1	0.1	2.2	-5.4	-3.8
Jun	-	-1.3	-0.4	1.2	0.2	2.1	-6.3	-2.5
Sep	-	-1.9	0.9	1.7	0.0	2.1	-4.2	-2.4

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

² Housing associations are included in the public sector from September 2008 for England, from September 2001 for Scotland and from March 1999 for Wales and for Northern Ireland. For earlier time periods housing associations are in the private sector for England and Scotland.

³ HM Forces series exclude locally engaged staff. The series also excludes mobilised reservists prior to 1996 as statistics are not available. Prior to June 2008, March = 1 March, June = 1 June, September = 1 September, December = 1 December. From June 2008 onwards March = 1 April, June = 1 July, September = 1 October, December = 1 January.

⁴ Police (England and Wales) are based on projections and subject to revision.

⁵ Estimates for March 2011 include temporary staff with a FTE of approximately 8,000 employed in connection with the 2011 Census.

⁶ English further education colleges and English sixth form college corporations classified to public sector from 1993 to 31 March 2012. They are therefore included in public sector estimates from 1993 to March 2012, but not in subsequent quarters.

⁷ Welsh further education colleges were reclassified to the private sector on 27 January 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

⁸ Data for the NHS are subject to revisions.

⁹ Community Rehabilitation Companies moved to the private sector on 1 February 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

¹⁰ Royal Mail plc is included in the private sector from December 2013 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

Lloyds Banking Group plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 to December 2013 but in the private sector for earlier and subsequent periods.

Royal Bank of Scotland plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

Network Rail is included in the private sector before December 2002. From December 2002 onwards it is included in the public sector (except for the period from June 2003 to March 2004, when it is included in the private sector).

Northern Rock is included in the public sector from December 2007 until December 2011 but in the private sector for earlier and later time periods.

Bradford and Bingley is included in the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

† Indicates earliest revision

5 Public and private sector employment; Headcount ^{1 2}

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total employment (thousands) ⁷	Public sector excluding effects of major reclassifications ^{8,9}		Private sector excluding effects of major reclassifications ^{8,9}	
	Headcount (thousands) ³	Percentage ⁴	Headcount (thousands) ⁵	Percentage ⁶		Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2		G7GO	MFY7	MFY9	MFZ2	MFY5
1999	5,410	20.0	21,705	80.0	27,115	4,967	18.3	22,148	81.7
2000	5,490	19.9	22,038	80.1	27,528	5,048	18.3	22,480	81.7
2001	5,580	20.1	22,119	79.9	27,699	5,135	18.5	22,564	81.5
2002	5,694	20.4	22,214	79.6	27,908	5,225	18.7	22,683	81.3
2003	5,857	20.7	22,379	79.3	28,236	5,421	19.2	22,815	80.8
2004	5,989	21.0	22,475	79.0	28,464	5,541	19.5	22,923	80.5
2005	6,084	21.1	22,771	78.9	28,855	5,639	19.5	23,216	80.5
2006	6,054	20.8	23,086	79.2	29,140	5,616	19.3	23,524	80.7
2007	6,020	20.5	23,332	79.5	29,352	5,572	19.0	23,780	81.0
2008	6,009	20.2	23,687	79.8	29,696	5,551	18.7	24,145	81.3
2009	6,427	22.1	22,591	77.9	29,018	5,614	19.3	23,404	80.7
2010	6,420	21.9	22,905	78.1	29,325	5,624	19.2	23,701	80.8
2011	6,221	21.2	23,124	78.8	29,345	5,443	18.5	23,902	81.5
2012	5,871	19.7	23,874	80.3	29,745	5,306	17.8	24,439	82.2
2013	5,826	19.4	24,170	80.6	29,996	5,272	17.6	24,724	82.4
2014	5,538	18.0	25,166	82.0	30,704	5,259	17.1	25,445	82.9
2015	5,480	17.6	25,711	82.4	31,191	5,216	16.7	25,975	83.3
2016	5,464	17.2	26,293	82.8	31,757	5,202	16.4	26,555	83.6
2017	5,473	17.0	26,663	83.0	32,136	5,219	16.2	26,917	83.8
1999	5,398	20.0	21,644	80.0	27,042	4,955	18.3	22,087	81.7
Jun	5,410	20.0	21,705	80.0	27,115	4,967	18.3	22,148	81.7
Sep	5,438	20.0	21,774	80.0	27,212	4,990	18.3	22,222	81.7
Dec	5,454	20.0	21,853	80.0	27,307	5,020	18.4	22,287	81.6
2000	5,472	20.0	21,934	80.0	27,406	5,029	18.3	22,377	81.7
Jun	5,490	19.9	22,038	80.1	27,528	5,048	18.3	22,480	81.7
Sep	5,518	20.0	22,010	80.0	27,528	5,071	18.4	22,457	81.6
Dec	5,522	20.0	22,115	80.0	27,637	5,084	18.4	22,553	81.6
2001	5,553	20.1	22,110	79.9	27,663	5,107	18.5	22,556	81.5
Jun	5,580	20.1	22,119	79.9	27,699	5,135	18.5	22,564	81.5
Sep	5,610	20.2	22,125	79.8	27,735	5,153	18.6	22,582	81.4
Dec	5,626	20.3	22,143	79.7	27,769	5,162	18.6	22,607	81.4
2002	5,669	20.4	22,187	79.6	27,856	5,200	18.7	22,656	81.3
Jun	5,694	20.4	22,214	79.6	27,908	5,225	18.7	22,683	81.3
Sep	5,731	20.5	22,292	79.5	28,023	5,258	18.8	22,765	81.2
Dec	5,773	20.6	22,308	79.4	28,081	5,330	19.0	22,751	81.0
2003	5,824	20.7	22,318	79.3	28,142	5,375	19.1	22,767	80.9
Jun	5,857	20.7	22,379	79.3	28,236	5,421	19.2	22,815	80.8
Sep	5,896	20.8	22,389	79.2	28,285	5,454	19.3	22,831	80.7
Dec	5,930	20.9	22,469	79.1	28,399	5,504	19.4	22,895	80.6
2004	5,964	21.0	22,485	79.0	28,449	5,530	19.4	22,919	80.6
Jun	5,989	21.0	22,475	79.0	28,464	5,541	19.5	22,923	80.5
Sep	6,025	21.1	22,519	78.9	28,544	5,582	19.6	22,962	80.4
Dec	6,033	21.0	22,693	79.0	28,726	5,586	19.4	23,140	80.6
2005	6,054	21.1	22,705	78.9	28,759	5,610	19.5	23,149	80.5
Jun	6,084	21.1	22,771	78.9	28,855	5,639	19.5	23,216	80.5
Sep	6,092	21.1	22,821	78.9	28,913	5,641	19.5	23,272	80.5
Dec	6,078	21.0	22,856	79.0	28,934	5,637	19.5	23,297	80.5
2006	6,066	20.9	23,019	79.1	29,085	5,625	19.3	23,460	80.7
Jun	6,054	20.8	23,086	79.2	29,140	5,616	19.3	23,524	80.7
Sep	6,046	20.7	23,143	79.3	29,189	5,598	19.2	23,591	80.8
Dec	6,023	20.6	23,179	79.4	29,202	5,573	19.1	23,629	80.9
2007	6,029	20.6	23,203	79.4	29,232	5,579	19.1	23,653	80.9
Jun	6,020	20.5	23,332	79.5	29,352	5,572	19.0	23,780	81.0
Sep	6,016	20.4	23,454	79.6	29,470	5,558	18.9	23,912	81.1
Dec	6,005	20.3	23,609	79.7	29,614	5,544	18.7	24,070	81.3
2008	5,997	20.2	23,709	79.8	29,706	5,537	18.6	24,169	81.4
Jun	6,009	20.2	23,687	79.8	29,696	5,551	18.7	24,145	81.3
Sep	6,167	20.9	23,368	79.1	29,535	5,582	18.9	23,953	81.1
Dec	6,418	21.7	23,121	78.3	29,539	5,600	19.0	23,939	81.0
2009	6,429	22.0	22,843	78.0	29,272	5,606	19.2	23,666	80.8
Jun	6,427	22.1	22,591	77.9	29,018	5,614	19.3	23,404	80.7
Sep	6,459	22.2	22,625	77.8	29,084	5,640	19.4	23,444	80.6
Dec	6,449	22.2	22,608	77.8	29,057	5,650	19.4	23,407	80.6
2010	6,443	22.2	22,605	77.8	29,048	5,644	19.4	23,404	80.6
Jun	6,420	21.9	22,905	78.1	29,325	5,624	19.2	23,701	80.8
Sep	6,379	21.8	22,929	78.2	29,308	5,571	19.0	23,737	81.0
Dec	6,330	21.5	23,061	78.5	29,391	5,537	18.8	23,854	81.2
2011	6,310	21.4	23,126	78.6	29,436	5,516	18.7	23,920	81.3
Jun	6,221	21.2	23,124	78.8	29,345	5,443	18.5	23,902	81.5
Sep	6,196	21.1	23,101	78.9	29,297	5,409	18.5	23,888	81.5
Dec	6,148	20.9	23,203	79.1	29,351	5,374	18.3	23,977	81.7
2012	6,113	20.7	23,382	79.3	29,495	5,340	18.1	24,155	81.9
Jun	5,871	19.7	23,874	80.3	29,745	5,306	17.8	24,439	82.2
Sep	5,859	19.7	23,886	80.3	29,745	5,286	17.8	24,459	82.2
Dec	5,836	19.5	24,055	80.5	29,891	5,270	17.6	24,621	82.4
2013	5,831	19.5	24,052	80.5	29,883	5,267	17.6	24,616	82.4
Jun	5,826	19.4	24,170	80.6	29,996	5,272	17.6	24,724	82.4
Sep	5,845	19.3	24,376	80.7	30,221	5,287	17.5	24,934	82.5
Dec	5,662	18.7	24,669	81.3	30,331	5,274	17.4	25,057	82.6
2014	5,556	18.1	25,082	81.9	30,638	5,265	17.2	25,373	82.8
Jun	5,538	18.0	25,166	82.0	30,704	5,259	17.1	25,445	82.9
Sep	5,537	18.0	25,305	82.0	30,842	5,245	17.0	25,597	83.0
Dec	5,523	17.8	25,485	82.2	31,008	5,241	16.9	25,767	83.1
2015	5,504	17.7	25,622	82.3	31,126	5,231	16.8	25,895	83.2
Jun	5,480	17.6	25,711	82.4	31,191	5,216	16.7	25,975	83.3
Sep	5,478	17.4	25,939	82.6	31,417	5,201	16.6	26,216	83.4
Dec	5,480	17.4	26,057	82.6	31,537	5,209	16.5	26,328	83.5
2016	5,481	17.4	26,102	82.6	31,583	5,207	16.5	26,376	83.5
Jun	5,464	17.2	26,293	82.8	31,757	5,202	16.4	26,555	83.6
Sep	5,471	17.2	26,284	82.8	31,755	5,200	16.4	26,555	83.6
Dec	5,457	17.1	26,389	82.9	31,846	5,195	16.3	26,651	83.7
2017	5,467	17.1	26,487	82.9	31,954	5,201	16.3	26,753	83.7
Jun	5,473	17.0	26,663	83.0	32,136	5,219	16.2	26,917	83.8
Sep	5,492	17.1	26,588	82.9	32,080	5,228	16.3	26,852	83.7

5 Public and private sector employment; Headcount^{1 2}

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total employment (thousands) ⁷	Public sector excluding effects of major reclassifications ^{8 9}		Private sector excluding effects of major reclassifications ^{8 9}	
	Headcount (thousands) ³	Percentage ⁴	Headcount (thousands) ⁵	Percentage ⁶		Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2		G7GO	MFY7	MFY9	MFZ2	MFY5
Change on quarter to:									
2016 Sep	7 †	0.0	-9 †	0.0	-2	-2 †	0.0	0 †	0.0
Dec	-14	-0.1 †	105	0.1 †	91	-5	-0.1	96	0.1
2017 Mar	10	0.0	98	0.0	108	6	0.0	102	0.0
Jun	6	-0.1	176	0.1	182	18	-0.1	164	0.1
Sep	19	0.1	-75	-0.1	-56	9	0.1	-65	-0.1
% change on quarter to:									
2016 Sep	0.1 †	..	0.0	..	0.0	0.0 †	..	0.0	..
Dec	-0.3	..	0.4	..	0.3	-0.1	..	0.4	..
2017 Mar	0.2	..	0.4	..	0.3	0.1	..	0.4	..
Jun	0.1	..	0.7 †	..	0.6	0.3	..	0.6	..
Sep	0.3	..	-0.3	..	-0.2 †	0.2	..	-0.2 †	..
Change on year to:									
2016 Sep	-7 †	-0.2 †	345 †	0.2 †	338	-1 †	-0.2	339 †	0.2
Dec	-23	-0.3	332	0.3	309	-14	-0.2	323	0.2
2017 Mar	-14	-0.3	385	0.3	371	-6	-0.2	377	0.2
Jun	9	-0.2	370	0.2	379	17	-0.2	362	0.2
Sep	21	-0.1	304	0.1	325	28	-0.1	297	0.1
% change on year to:									
2016 Sep	-0.1 †	..	1.3 †	..	1.1	0.0	..	1.3	..
Dec	-0.4	..	1.3	..	1.0	-0.3 †	..	1.2	..
2017 Mar	-0.3	..	1.5	..	1.2	-0.1	..	1.4	..
Jun	0.2	..	1.4	..	1.2	0.3	..	1.4 †	..
Sep	0.4	..	1.2	..	1.0 †	0.5	..	1.1	..

Sources: Labour Force Survey and estimates from public sector organisations;
Office for National Statistics

1 Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

2 Annual figures relate to June quarter.

3 Estimates for December 2007 onwards are based partly on projections.

4 Represents G7AU/G7GO*100.

5 Estimated as the difference between LFS total employment and the data from public sector organisations.

6 Represents G7K5/G7GO*100.

7 Labour Force Survey - All in Employment aged 16 and over. Data refers to May-July for annual data from 1992 - 2004, for March to February - April, June to May - July, September to August - October and December to November - January. Quarterly and annual changes may differ slightly from those published elsewhere due to rounding conventions.

8 In recent years the public and private sector employment series have been affected by a number of major reclassifications where bodies employing large numbers of people have moved between the public and private sectors. These major reclassifications are as follows:
English further education colleges and English sixth form college corporations classified to public sector from 1993 to 31 March 2012. They are therefore included in public sector estimates from 1993 to March 2012, but not in subsequent quarters.

Royal Mail plc is included in the private sector from December 2013 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

Lloyds Banking Group plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 to December 2013 but in the private sector for earlier and subsequent periods.

Royal Bank of Scotland plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

Network Rail is included in the private sector before December 2002. From December 2002 onwards it is included in the public sector (except for the period from June 2003 to March 2004, when it is included in the private sector).

Northern Rock is included in the public sector from December 2007 until December 2011 but in the private sector for earlier and later time periods.

Bradford and Bingley is included in the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

Welsh further education colleges are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

Housing associations are included in the public sector from September 2008 for England, from September 2001 for Scotland and from March 1999 for Wales and for Northern

Ireland. For earlier time periods housing associations are in the private sector for England and Scotland.

9 The series shown in this table for public and private sector employment excluding the effects of major reclassifications show all of the above mentioned bodies included in the private sector for all time periods.

† Indicates earliest revision

8 Civil Service employment by department ^{1 2}

Headcount, Great Britain, not seasonally adjusted

	September 2017						June 2017		Change on Quarter
	Male			Female			Total	Total	
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
Permanent Employees									
Attorney General's departments	2,800	230	3,040	3,380	1,850	5,240	8,270	8,210	60
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	6,520	660	7,180	4,930	2,670	7,600	14,770	14,670	100
Cabinet Office	2,110	40	2,160	1,970	200	2,170	4,320	2,760	1,570
Other Cabinet Office agencies	310	30	340	330	80	410	750	780	-30
Charity Commission	110	10	130	100	50	150	280	290	-10
Communities and Local Government	1,000	100	1,100	760	280	1,040	2,150	1,990	160
Defence	32,400	1,350	33,750	16,110	3,990	20,090	53,850	53,670	170
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	330	10	340	320	50	370	710	650	70
Education	2,220	60	2,280	2,450	730	3,170	5,460	5,200	260
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	2,860	220	3,080	2,390	1,200	3,590	6,670	6,670	..
ESTYN	40	10	50	60	10	70	120	110	..
Exiting the European Union	200	..	200	210	10	220	430	340	90
Export Credits Guarantee Department	170	..	180	90	10	100	280	270	..
Food Standards Agency	640	40	680	280	60	340	1,030	1,010	10
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	3,130	30	3,160	2,040	230	2,270	5,420	5,340	90
Health	2,590	140	2,730	3,780	1,120	4,900	7,630	7,470	160
HM Revenue and Customs	27,700	4,070	31,760	22,130	16,900	39,040	70,800	72,320	-1,520
HM Treasury	1,020	30	1,050	740	140	880	1,930	1,790	140
Chancellor's other departments	200	10	200	140	30	170	370	350	30
Home Office	11,900	1,100	13,000	9,390	4,920	14,310	27,310	27,220	90
International Development	950	40	990	1,090	170	1,270	2,260	2,180	70
International Trade	680	10	690	530	60	590	1,220	1,200	50
Justice	28,780	2,660	31,440	26,160	9,830	35,990	67,430	67,760	-330
The National Archives	250	20	270	230	50	280	550	570	-20
National Crime Agency	2,650	40	2,690	1,410	300	1,720	4,410	4,430	-20
Northern Ireland Office	40	0	40	50	10	60	100	90	10
Office for Standards in Education	540	30	570	940	220	1,160	1,730	1,730	0
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	420	10	430	340	40	380	810	750	60
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	80	..	80	100	20	110	190	190	..
Office of Rail and Road	170	10	180	90	20	110	290	290	..
OFWAT	100	10	110	80	30	100	210	190	20
Scotland Office	50	..	50	40	10	50	100	110	-10
Transport	7,050	690	7,740	3,910	2,380	6,290	14,030	13,940	90
UK Statistics Authority	1,240	630	1,870	1,230	1,080	2,310	4,180	4,090	90
UK Supreme Court	20	0	20	..	..	..	40	40	0
Wales Office	20	0	20	20	..	20	40	30	10
Work and Pensions	24,080	4,150	28,220	27,870	29,050	56,920	85,140	86,100	-960
Central Government Departments Total	165,360	16,460	181,820	135,690	77,810	213,500	395,310	394,830	480
Scottish Government	7,830	670	8,500	6,020	2,210	8,230	16,730	16,540	190
Welsh Government	1,980	150	2,130	2,200	880	3,090	5,220	5,350	-130
TOTAL	175,170	17,280	192,450	143,910	80,900	224,810	417,260	416,720	540

	September 2017						June 2017		Change on Quarter
	Male			Female			Total	Total	
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
Temporary/Casual Employees									
Attorney General's departments	70	0	70	100	..	110	180	210	-30
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	80	10	90	70	10	80	170	190	-30
Cabinet Office	20	..	20	20	..	20	40	50	-10
Other Cabinet Office agencies	20	0	20	20	0	20	30	30	..
Charity Commission	..	..	10	10	0	10	10	10	..
Communities and Local Government	40	..	40	50	10	50	90	140	-50
Defence	70	10	80	40	20	50	130	90	40
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	10	0	10	20	..	20	20	20	..
Education	110	..	110	120	10	130	240	280	-40
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	140	10	140	180	30	210	350	280	70
ESTYN	0	0	0	0	0	..	..	0	0
Exiting the European Union	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Export Credits Guarantee Department	20	..	20	10	..	10	30	10	20
Food Standards Agency	10	..	10	10	0	10	20	20	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	10	40	50	10	10	10	60	70	-10
Health	120	30	150	250	70	310	470	470	..
HM Revenue and Customs	80	10	80	40	10	50	140	210	-70
HM Treasury	20	0	20	20	0	20	40	50	-10
Chancellor's other departments	0	0	0	..	0	..	..	20	-20
Home Office	640	510	1,160	650	210	850	2,010	1,650	360
International Development	50	..	60	50	..	50	110	100	..
International Trade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Justice	130	10	140	230	20	250	390	310	80
The National Archives	10	0	10	..	..	10	10	10	..
National Crime Agency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Ireland Office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Office for Standards in Education	..	0	..	10	..	10	10	10	..
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	-100
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	0	0	0	..	0	..	..	10	..
Office of Rail and Road	..	0	..	0	0	0	..	..	..
OFWAT	..	..	..	..	0	..	10	10	0
Scotland Office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport	90	10	100	90	10	100	200	290	-90
UK Statistics Authority	50	0	50	40	..	40	90	100	-10
UK Supreme Court	..	0	..	..	..	..	10	10	..
Wales Office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	..	..
Work and Pensions	240	60	300	250	80	330	630	700	-70
Central Government Departments Total	2,020	710	2,730	2,270	490	2,760	5,490	5,430	60
Scottish Government	190	20	210	200	20	220	430	520	-90
Welsh Government	10	0	10	20	0	20	20	20	..
TOTAL	2,220	730	2,950	2,480	510	2,990	5,940	5,980	-40

	September 2017						June 2017		Change on Quarter
	Male			Female			Total	Total	
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
All Employees	177,390	18,000	195,390	146,390	81,420	227,810	423,200	422,700	500

Source: Office for National Statistics

1 Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by "...". Data not available are represented by "..".
 2 Department totals include Executive Agencies, Ministerial and Non-Ministerial Departments.

8 ..continued, Civil Service employment by department

Full-time equivalents, Great Britain, not seasonally adjusted

	September 2017			June 2017	Change on
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Quarter
Permanent Employees					
Attorney General's departments	2,970	4,700	7,670	7,610	60
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	6,980	6,850	13,830	13,700	120
Cabinet Office	2,140	2,120	4,260	2,700	1,560
Other Cabinet Office agencies	320	380	700	760	-60
Charity Commission	130	140	260	270	-10
Communities and Local Government	1,070	970	2,040	1,880	160
Defence	33,320	18,940	52,260	52,020	240
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	340	360	700	630	60
Education	2,270	2,980	5,250	5,010	250
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	3,010	3,230	6,240	6,240	..
ESTYN	50	60	110	110	..
Exiting the European Union	200	220	420	340	90
Export Credits Guarantee Department	160	100	270	270	..
Food Standards Agency	670	320	990	960	10
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	3,150	2,190	5,330	5,250	80
Health	2,680	4,550	7,230	7,070	160
HM Revenue and Customs	30,460	33,770	64,230	65,690	-1,460
HM Treasury	1,040	840	1,870	1,730	140
Chancellor's other departments	200	150	360	330	20
Home Office	12,670	12,800	25,480	25,390	90
International Development	980	1,220	2,190	2,120	70
International Trade	680	570	1,260	1,210	50
Justice	30,320	32,570	62,890	63,140	-240
The National Archives	270	260	530	550	-20
National Crime Agency	2,680	1,630	4,310	4,330	-20
Northern Ireland Office	40	60	100	90	10
Office for Standards in Education	560	1,100	1,660	1,660	..
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	430	370	790	740	60
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	80	110	180	190	..
Office of Rail and Road	170	110	280	280	..
OFWAT	100	100	200	180	20
Scotland Office	50	50	100	110	-10
Transport	7,500	5,470	12,970	12,880	80
UK Statistics Authority	1,630	1,930	3,570	3,490	80
UK Supreme Court	20	20	40	40	0
Wales Office	20	20	40	30	10
Work and Pensions	27,110	48,500	75,610	76,470	-870
Central Government Departments Total	176,490	189,710	366,200	365,480	720
Scottish Government	8,240	7,570	15,810	15,620	180
Welsh Government	2,090	2,840	4,930	5,050	-120
TOTAL	186,820	200,120	386,930	386,150	780

	September 2017			June 2017	Change on
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Quarter
Temporary/Casual Employees					
Attorney General's departments	70	110	180	210	-30
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	80	80	160	180	-20
Cabinet Office	20	20	40	40	..
Other Cabinet Office agencies	20	20	30	30	..
Charity Commission	10	10	10	10	..
Communities and Local Government	40	50	90	140	-50
Defence	70	50	120	90	30
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	10	20	20	20	..
Education	110	130	240	270	-40
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	140	200	350	280	70
ESTYN	0	..	..	0	..
Exiting the European Union	0	0	0	0	0
Export Credits Guarantee Department	20	10	30	10	20
Food Standards Agency	10	10	20	20	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	30	10	40	50	-10
Health	130	270	400	410	-10
HM Revenue and Customs	80	50	130	200	-70
HM Treasury	20	20	40	50	-10
Chancellor's other departments	0	..	..	20	-20
Home Office	910	760	1,660	1,380	280
International Development	50	50	110	100	..
International Trade	0	0	0	0	0
Justice	140	240	380	300	80
The National Archives	10	10	10	10	..
National Crime Agency	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Ireland Office	0	0	0	0	0
Office for Standards in Education	..	10	10	10	..
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	0	0	0	100	-100
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	0	..	..	..	..
Office of Rail and Road	..	0	..	..	..
OFWAT	..	..	10	10	0
Scotland Office	0	0	0	0	0
Transport	100	90	190	270	-90
UK Statistics Authority	50	40	90	100	-10
UK Supreme Court	..	10	10	10	..
Wales Office	0	0	0	..	..
Work and Pensions	280	300	580	640	-60
Central Government Departments Total	2,390	2,550	4,940	4,970	-30
Scottish Government	200	210	410	500	-90
Welsh Government	10	20	20	20	..
TOTAL	2,600	2,780	5,370	5,500	-120

	September 2017			June 2017	Change on
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Quarter
All Employees	189,420	202,890	392,310	391,640	670

Source: Office for National Statistics

- Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by '..'. Data not available are represented by '-'
- Department totals include Executive Agencies, Ministerial and Non-Ministerial Departments.

9 Civil Service employment by department and agency ¹

	September 2017		June 2017		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Attorney General's departments						
Attorney General's Office	40	40	40	40	10	10
Crown Prosecution Service	5,950	5,490	5,980	5,520	-30	-20
HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate	30	30	30	30	..	..
Serious Fraud Office	410	400	390	380	20	20
Government Legal Department	2,020	1,890	1,990	1,850	30	30
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy						
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	2,950	2,880	2,900	2,800	50	80
Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service	840	770	820	750	20	20
Companies House	920	840	900	820	20	20
Competition and Markets Authority	580	560	580	550	10	10
Insolvency Service	1,500	1,420	1,470	1,390	30	30
Land Registry	4,860	4,380	4,810	4,340	40	40
Met Office	2,000	1,910	2,120	2,020	-120	-120
UK Intellectual Property Office	1,170	1,100	1,160	1,090	10	10
UK Space Agency	120	120	110	110	10	10
Cabinet Office						
Cabinet Office (excluding agencies) ^{2,3}	4,360	4,300	2,800	2,750	1,560	1,550
Other Cabinet Office agencies						
Crown Commercial Service ³	690	640	710	700	-20	-60
Government in Parliament	100	90	100	100	..	..
Charity Commission						
Charity Commission	290	270	300	280	-10	-10
Communities and Local Government						
Department for Communities and Local Government (excluding agencies)	1,520	1,480	1,420	1,380	110	110
Planning Inspectorate	670	600	660	600	10	10
Queen Elizabeth II Centre	50	50	50	50	..	..
Defence						
Ministry of Defence (excluding trading funds)	38,170	37,020	38,220	37,010	-50	10
Defence Equipment and Support	11,230	10,950	10,980	10,700	240	240
Defence Science and Technology Laboratory	3,730	3,600	3,700	3,570	30	30
UK Hydrographic Office	850	820	860	830	-10	-10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport						
Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (excluding agencies) ⁴	740	720	670	650	70	70
Education						
Department for Education (excluding agencies)	3,730	3,580	3,500	3,370	220	220
Education and Skills Funding Agency	1,520	1,480	1,520	1,480	..	..
National College for Teaching and Leadership	330	310	330	320	..	..
Standards and Testing Agency	120	110	120	120	-10	-10
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs						
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (excluding agencies) ⁵	2,440	2,340	2,300	2,210	140	130
Animal and Plant Health Agency	2,230	2,090	2,270	2,110	-30	-20
Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science	590	560	560	530	30	30
Rural Payments Agency ⁷	1,610	1,460	1,680	1,520	-60	-60
Veterinary Medicines Directorate	150	140	150	150	-10	..
ESTYN						
ESTYN	120	110	110	110	10	10
Exiting the European Union						
Department for Exiting the European Union ⁶	430	420	340	340	90	90
Export Credits Guarantee Department						
Export Credits Guarantee Department	300	300	280	280	20	20
Food Standards Agency						
Food Standards Agency	1,040	1,010	1,030	1,000	10	10
Foreign and Commonwealth Office						
Foreign and Commonwealth Office (excluding agencies)	4,510	4,430	4,460	4,400	40	40
FCO Services	890	860	860	820	40	40
Wilton Park Executive Agency	90	80	90	80	0	..
Health						
Department of Health (excluding agencies)	1,440	1,390	1,320	1,270	130	130
Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency	1,350	1,310	1,320	1,270	40	40
Public Health England	5,300	4,940	5,300	4,950	..	-20
HM Revenue and Customs						
HM Revenue and Customs (excluding agencies) ²	67,370	61,060	68,880	62,510	-1,510	-1,450
Valuation Office Agency	3,570	3,300	3,660	3,380	-80	-80
HM Treasury						
HM Treasury (excluding agencies)	1,370	1,340	1,280	1,240	90	90
Debt Management Office	120	110	110	110	..	..
Government Internal Audit Agency	460	440	420	400	40	40
Office for Budget Responsibility	30	30	30	30	..	..
Chancellor's other departments						
Government Actuary's Department	170	160	170	160	..	10
National Savings and Investments	210	190	200	200	10	..
Home Office						
Home Office	29,320	27,140	28,860	26,770	460	370
International Development						
Department for International Development	2,360	2,300	2,290	2,220	80	70
International Trade						
Department for International Trade	1,270	1,260	1,220	1,210	50	50

9 Civil Service employment by department and agency ¹

	September 2017		June 2017		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Justice						
Ministry of Justice (excluding agencies)	3,400	3,310	3,510	3,420	-120	-120
Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority	300	280	310	290	-10	-10
HM Courts and Tribunals Service	15,400	13,660	15,810	14,000	-420	-340
Legal Aid Agency	1,300	1,230	1,340	1,270	-40	-30
HM Prison and Probation Service	46,320	43,760	45,960	43,400	360	350
The Office of the Public Guardian	1,110	1,040	1,130	1,060	-30	-20
The National Archives						
The National Archives	560	540	580	560	-20	-20
National Crime Agency						
National Crime Agency	4,410	4,310	4,430	4,330	-20	-20
Northern Ireland Office						
Northern Ireland Office	100	100	90	90	10	10
Office for Standards in Education						
Office for Standards in Education	1,740	1,670	1,740	1,670	..	..
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets						
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	810	790	860	840	-40	-50
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation						
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	190	190	200	190	..	..
Office of Rail and Road						
Office of Rail and Road	290	280	300	280	..	..
OFWAT						
OFWAT	210	210	190	180	20	20
Scotland Office						
Scotland Office (incl. Office of the Advocate General for Scotland)	100	100	110	110	-10	-10
Transport						
Department for Transport (excluding agencies)	2,400	2,330	2,320	2,260	70	70
Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency	5,960	5,270	6,040	5,350	-80	-80
Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency	4,700	4,430	4,680	4,420	20	10
Maritime and Coastguard Agency	1,020	970	1,030	980	-10	-10
Vehicle Certification Agency	160	150	160	150	..	..
UK Statistics Authority						
UK Statistics Authority	4,280	3,660	4,190	3,590	80	70
UK Supreme Court						
UK Supreme Court	50	50	50	50	..	..
Wales Office						
Wales Office	40	40	40	30	..	10
Work and Pensions						
Department for Work and Pensions	83,170	73,760	84,120	74,630	-950	-870
The Health and Safety Executive	2,600	2,430	2,680	2,490	-80	-60
Scottish Government						
Scottish Government (excluding agencies)	5,670	5,420	5,540	5,300	130	130
Accountant in Bankruptcy	130	120	140	120	-10	-10
Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal	1,710	1,570	1,720	1,580	-10	-10
Disclosure Scotland	310	290	320	300	-10	-10
Education Scotland	240	230	270	260	-30	-30
Food Standards Scotland	170	170	170	160	..	..
National Records of Scotland	390	370	400	370	-10	-10
Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator	50	50	50	50	0	..
Registers of Scotland	1,180	1,130	1,140	1,080	40	40
Revenue Scotland	60	50	50	50	..	..
Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service	1,700	1,550	1,710	1,550	-10	-10
Scottish Fiscal Commission	20	20	20	20	..	..
Scottish Housing Regulator	50	50	50	50	..	..
Scottish Prison Service	4,530	4,310	4,550	4,340	-20	-30
Scottish Public Pensions Agency	310	280	310	280	..	..
Student Awards Agency for Scotland	240	230	240	240	-10	-10
Transport Scotland	410	390	400	390	10	10
Welsh Government						
Welsh Government	5,240	4,950	5,370	5,070	-130	-120
Total employment	423,200	392,310	422,700	391,640	500	670

Source: Office for National Statistics

- Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by "..".
- Around 1,400 employees transferred from Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs to Cabinet Office between June and September 2017.
- Around 20 employees transferred from Crown Commercial Service to Cabinet Office between June and September 2017.
- The Department for Culture, Media and Sport became the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport on 3 July 2017.
- Around 60 employees transferred from Rural Payments Agency to Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs between June and September 2017.
- The total DExEU headcount was approximately 530 as at 30 September 2017. As all DExEU employees are on loan, some still remain on home department records. To avoid double counting, DExEU has only reported the employees officially transferred as at 30 September 2017.

10 Employment in Executive NDPBs ^{1 2 3}

Permanent Employees	September 2017		June 2017		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	9,800	9,430	9,640	9,280	150	140
Cabinet Office	820	760	860	800	-40	-40
Communities and Local Government	900	880	890	870	..	..
Defence	490	430	510	420	-10	10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	10,600	9,710	10,650	9,690	-50	20
Education	4,660	4,430	4,740	4,500	-80	-70
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	14,380	13,510	14,220	13,350	170	160
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	1,490	1,470	1,500	1,470	-10	-10
Health	11,220	10,700	11,180	10,690	40	10
Home Office	2,210	2,110	2,170	2,060	50	50
Justice	2,080	1,980	2,070	1,970	10	..
Transport	1,610	1,570	1,530	1,500	80	70
Work and Pensions	890	860	930	900	-50	-50
Central Government Departments Total	61,140	57,830	60,880	57,520	260	310
Scottish Government	11,050	10,150	11,080	10,170	-30	-20
Welsh Assembly	2,940	2,730	2,930	2,720	10	10
TOTAL	75,140	70,710	74,900	70,410	240	300

Temporary Employees	September 2017		June 2017		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	360	350	370	360	-10	-10
Cabinet Office	20	20	20	20	..	..
Communities and Local Government	30	30	20	20	10	10
Defence	200	80	140	60	60	20
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	1,620	760	1,560	720	60	50
Education	260	260	220	210	50	50
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	640	620	610	580	30	40
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health	1,730	1,160	1,530	990	200	160
Home Office	140	110	130	100	10	10
Justice	50	40	50	40	..	..
Transport	30	30	80	80	-50	-60
Work and Pensions	70	60	20	20	50	50
Central Government Departments Total	5,140	3,510	4,750	3,200	390	310
Scottish Government	770	650	920	750	-150	-100
Welsh Assembly	480	150	450	100	30	50
TOTAL	6,390	4,310	6,120	4,050	270	270

All NDPB Employees	81,530	75,020	81,020	74,460	510	560
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Source: Office for National Statistics

- 1 Includes Executive NDPBs with an employment of greater than 20.
- 2 Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten.
- 3 These figures do not include employees of ACAS, Health and Safety Executive, Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority, Office for Budget Responsibility and Civil Service Commission. These are Crown NDPBs, the employees of which are included as part of Civil Service headcounts.
- 4 Environment Agency includes all regional divisions.

1R Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government					
	Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
1999	-	-	-	6	6	-
2000	-	-	-	6	6	-
2001	-	-	-	6	6	-
2002	-	-	-	14	14	-
2003	-	-	-	16	16	-
2004	-	-	-	18	18	-
2005	-	-	-	18	18	-
2006	-	-	-	19	19	-
2007	-	-	-	19	19	-
2008	-	-	-	19	19	-
2009	-	-	-	20	20	-
2010	-	1	1	22	23	-
2011	-	1	1	22	23	-
2012	-	1	1	26	27	-
2013	-	1	1	27	28	-
2014	-	2	2	28	30	-
2015	-	2	2	29	31	-
2016	5	1	6	32	38	-
2017	-	-2	-2	35	33	-
1999 Mar	-	-	-	5	5	-
1999 Jun	-	-	-	6	6	-
1999 Sep	-	-1	-1	4	3	-
1999 Dec	-	-	-	3	3	-
2000 Mar	-	-	-	6	6	-
2000 Jun	-	-	-	6	6	-
2000 Sep	-	-	-	4	4	-
2000 Dec	-	-	-	3	3	-
2001 Mar	-	-	-	5	5	-
2001 Jun	-	-	-	6	6	-
2001 Sep	-	-	-	10	10	-
2001 Dec	-	-	-	12	12	-
2002 Mar	-	-	-	13	13	-
2002 Jun	-	-	-	14	14	-
2002 Sep	-	-	-	12	12	-
2002 Dec	-	-	-	14	14	-
2003 Mar	-	-	-	13	13	-
2003 Jun	-	-	-	16	16	-
2003 Sep	-	-	-	14	14	-
2003 Dec	-	-	-	16	16	-
2004 Mar	-	-	-	17	17	-
2004 Jun	-	-	-	18	18	-
2004 Sep	-	-	-	16	16	-
2004 Dec	-	-	-	18	18	-
2005 Mar	-	-	-	18	18	-
2005 Jun	-	-	-	18	18	-
2005 Sep	-	-	-	18	18	-
2005 Dec	-	-	-	19	19	-
2006 Mar	-	-	-	19	19	-
2006 Jun	-	-	-	19	19	-
2006 Sep	-	-1	-1	19	18	-
2006 Dec	-	-	-	18	18	-
2007 Mar	-	-	-	20	20	-
2007 Jun	-	-	-	19	19	-
2007 Sep	-	-	-	19	19	-
2007 Dec	-	-	-	18	18	-
2008 Mar	-	1	1	21	22	-
2008 Jun	-	-	-	19	19	-
2008 Sep	-	-	-	21	21	-
2008 Dec	-	-	-	19	19	-
2009 Mar	-	-	-	22	22	-
2009 Jun	-	-	-	20	20	-
2009 Sep	-	-1	-1	20	19	-
2009 Dec	-	1	1	20	21	-
2010 Mar	-	1	1	22	23	-
2010 Jun	-	1	1	22	23	-
2010 Sep	-	-1	-1	22	21	-
2010 Dec	-	1	1	23	24	-
2011 Mar	-	2	2	24	26	-
2011 Jun	-	1	1	22	23	-
2011 Sep	-	-1	-1	24	23	-
2011 Dec	-	1	1	24	25	-
2012 Mar	-	1	1	26	27	-
2012 Jun	-	1	1	26	27	-
2012 Sep	-	-1	-1	25	24	-
2012 Dec	-	2	2	25	27	-
2013 Mar	-	2	2	28	30	-
2013 Jun	-	1	1	27	28	-
2013 Sep	-	-	-	28	28	-
2013 Dec	-	2	2	28	30	-
2014 Mar	-	2	2	28	30	-
2014 Jun	-	2	2	28	30	-
2014 Sep	-	-2	-2	27	25	-
2014 Dec	-	2	2	27	29	-
2015 Mar	-	2	2	29	31	-
2015 Jun	-	2	2	29	31	-
2015 Sep	-	-3	-3	29	26	-
2015 Dec	4	1	5	31	36	-
2016 Mar	4	2	6	31	37	-
2016 Jun	5	1	6	32	38	-
2016 Sep	1	1	2	32	34	-
2016 Dec	-8	1	-7	33	26	-
2017 Mar	5	2	7	35	42	-
2017 Jun	-	-2	-2	35	33	-
2017 Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..

1R Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government					
	Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
Change on quarter to:						
2016 Sep	-4	-	-4	-	-4	-
Dec	-9	-	-9	1	-8	-
2017 Mar	13	1	14	2	16	-
Jun	-5	-4	-9	-	-9	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:						
2016 Sep	-0.1	-	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	-
Dec	-0.3	-	-0.2	0.4	-0.2	-
2017 Mar	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.3	-
Jun	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-	-0.2	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:						
2016 Sep	1	4	5	3	8	-
Dec	-12	-	-12	2	-10	-
2017 Mar	1	-	1	4	5	-
Jun	-5	-3	-8	3	-5	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:						
2016 Sep	-	0.2	0.1	1.1	0.2	-
Dec	-0.4	-	-0.3	0.8	-0.2	-
2017 Mar	-	-	-	1.5	-	-
Jun	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	1.2	-0.1	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

² Annual figures relate to June quarter.

2R Public sector employment by industry; Headcount - Revisions ¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security								Health and social work		
	Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work	Other public sector			
	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM			
Change on quarter to:											
2016 Sep	-	-	-	-	-6	-	-1	1			
Dec	-1	1	-	-	1	-5	1	-			
2017 Mar	-	-1	-	-1	1	6	-1	1			
Jun	-	-	-	1	-	-5	1	1			
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:											
2016 Sep	0.1	-	-	-	-0.4	-	-0.2	0.1			
Dec	-3.2	0.6	-	-	-	-0.3	0.4	0.1			
2017 Mar	-0.1	-0.6	-	-0.1	-	0.4	-0.3	0.2			
Jun	0.1	-	-	0.1	-	-0.3	0.4	0.2			
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:											
2016 Sep	1	-	-	1	-4	4	1	3			
Dec	-	1	-	-1	-4	-6	2	2			
2017 Mar	-	-	-	-3	-3	-1	-	3			
Jun	-1	-	-	-	-4	-4	-	3			
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:											
2016 Sep	2.9	-	-	0.1	-0.3	0.2	0.6	0.5			
Dec	-	0.7	-	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	0.9	0.4			
2017 Mar	-0.1	-	-	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.6			
Jun	-2.9	-	-	-	-0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.6			
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

3R Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent - Revisions ¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government					
	Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
1999	1	-	1	4	5	-
2000	1	-	1	5	6	-
2001	1	-	1	5	6	-
2002	1	-	1	12	13	-
2003	2	-	2	13	15	-
2004	2	-	2	14	16	-
2005	3	-	3	16	19	-
2006	5	-	5	16	21	-
2007	6	1	7	17	24	-
2008	8	-	8	17	25	-
2009	9	-	9	18	27	-
2010	10	1	11	18	29	-
2011	8	-	8	20	28	-
2012	7	1	8	22	30	-
2013	7	1	8	24	32	-
2014	6	1	7	25	32	-
2015	7	2	9	25	34	-
2016	13	2	15	28	43	-
2017	10	-1	9	31	40	-
1999 Mar	-2	-	-2	3	1	-
Jun	1	-	1	4	5	-
Sep	-4	-	-4	3	-1	-
Dec	4	-	4	3	7	-
2000 Mar	-2	-	-2	5	3	-
Jun	1	-	1	5	6	-
Sep	-4	-	-4	4	-	-
Dec	4	-	4	3	7	-
2001 Mar	-2	-	-2	4	2	-
Jun	1	-	1	5	6	-
Sep	-4	-	-4	10	6	-
Dec	5	-	5	11	16	-
2002 Mar	-1	-	-1	11	10	-
Jun	1	-	1	12	13	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	10	5	-
Dec	4	-	4	11	15	-
2003 Mar	-1	-	-1	12	11	-
Jun	2	-	2	13	15	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	12	7	-
Dec	4	-	4	13	17	-
2004 Mar	-1	-	-1	15	14	-
Jun	2	-	2	14	16	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	15	10	-
Dec	3	-	3	16	19	-
2005 Mar	-	-	-	16	16	-
Jun	3	-	3	16	19	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	16	11	-
Dec	1	-	1	16	17	-
2006 Mar	-	-	-	16	16	-
Jun	5	-	5	16	21	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	16	11	-
Dec	-	-	-	17	17	-
2007 Mar	-1	-	-1	17	16	-
Jun	6	1	7	17	24	-
Sep	-4	-	-4	17	13	-
Dec	-1	-	-1	17	16	-
2008 Mar	-2	1	-1	17	16	-
Jun	8	-	8	17	25	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	16	11	-
Dec	-1	1	-	19	19	-
2009 Mar	-3	-	-3	19	16	-
Jun	9	-	9	18	27	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	18	13	-
Dec	-	1	1	19	20	-
2010 Mar	-4	1	-3	18	15	-
Jun	10	1	11	18	29	-
Sep	-6	-	-6	20	14	-
Dec	1	1	2	20	22	-
2011 Mar	-4	1	-3	19	16	-
Jun	8	-	8	20	28	-
Sep	-5	-1	-6	20	14	-
Dec	1	1	2	21	23	-
2012 Mar	-4	2	-2	22	20	-
Jun	7	1	8	22	30	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	23	18	-
Dec	1	1	2	23	25	-
2013 Mar	-3	1	-2	24	22	-
Jun	7	1	8	24	32	-
Sep	-5	-	-5	23	18	-
Dec	1	1	2	25	27	-
2014 Mar	-3	2	-1	25	24	-
Jun	6	1	7	25	32	-
Sep	-4	-	-4	24	20	-
Dec	1	1	2	24	26	-
2015 Mar	-4	1	-3	25	22	-
Jun	7	2	9	25	34	-
Sep	-4	-	-4	26	22	-
Dec	7	1	8	27	35	-
2016 Mar	3	-	3	27	30	-
Jun	13	2	15	28	43	-
Sep	1	1	2	30	32	-
Dec	8	3	11	29	40	-
2017 Mar	4	3	7	30	37	-
Jun	10	-1	9	31	40	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..

3R Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent - Revisions ¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government					
	Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
Change on quarter to:						
2016 Sep	-12	-1	-13	2	-11	-
Dec	7	2	9	-1	8	-
2017 Mar	-4	-	-4	1	-3	-
Jun	6	-4	2	1	3	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:						
2016 Sep	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3	0.8	-0.2	-
Dec	0.3	0.1	0.2	-0.3	0.2	-
2017 Mar	-0.1	-	-0.1	0.4	-	-
Jun	0.2	-0.2	0.1	0.4	-	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:						
2016 Sep	5	1	6	4	10	-
Dec	1	2	3	2	5	-
2017 Mar	1	3	4	3	7	-
Jun	-3	-3	-6	3	-3	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:						
2016 Sep	0.2	-	0.1	1.5	0.2	-
Dec	-	0.1	-	0.9	0.1	-
2017 Mar	0.1	0.2	0.1	1.3	0.2	-
Jun	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	1.2	-0.1	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

4R Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent - Revisions ¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security							
	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Health and social work			
	Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work	Other public sector
	G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
2001	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	4
2002	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6
2003	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	8
2004	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9
2005	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	10
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	10
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	10
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	12
2009	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	11
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	11
2011	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	13
2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	13
2013	-	-	-	-	1	1	9	14
2014	-	-	-	-	2	1	11	15
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	15
2016	-	-	-	-	-	7	11	17
2017	-	-	-	-1	-	1	12	20
1999 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
1999 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
1999 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
1999 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
2000 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3
2000 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
2000 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
2000 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
2001 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
2001 Jun	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	4
2001 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6
2001 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	8
2002 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	7
2002 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6
2002 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	6
2002 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	8
2003 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7
2003 Jun	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	8
2003 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7
2003 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	8
2004 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	9
2004 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9
2004 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	9
2004 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	9
2005 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9
2005 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	10
2005 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	10
2005 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	8
2006 Mar	-	-	1	-	-	-	7	9
2006 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	10
2006 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	10
2006 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	9
2007 Mar	-	-	-	-	1	-	8	10
2007 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	10
2007 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	11
2007 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9
2008 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	10
2008 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	12
2008 Sep	-	1	-	-	1	-	6	10
2008 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9
2009 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	11
2009 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	11
2009 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	11
2009 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	11
2010 Mar	-	-	-	-	1	-	8	12
2010 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	11
2010 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	12
2010 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	12
2011 Mar	-	-	-	-	1	-	8	12
2011 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	13
2011 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	13
2011 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	13
2012 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	13
2012 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	13
2012 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	1	9	14
2012 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	14
2013 Mar	-	-	-	-	-1	-	8	14
2013 Jun	-	-	-	-	1	1	9	14
2013 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	15
2013 Dec	-	-	-	1	-	-1	11	14
2014 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	14
2014 Jun	-	-	-	-	2	1	11	15
2014 Sep	-	-	-	-	1	-	10	15
2014 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	14
2015 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	14
2015 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	15
2015 Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	15
2015 Dec	-	-	-	-	-	7	11	16
2016 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	7	11	16
2016 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	7	11	17
2016 Sep	-	-	-	-	-1	6	11	18
2016 Dec	-	1	-	1	-	6	11	18
2017 Mar	-	-	-	1	-	5	11	18
2017 Jun	-	-	-	-1	-	1	12	20
2017 Sep	-

4R Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent - Revisions ¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Education	Health and social work		Other public sector
	Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration		National Health Service	Other health and social work	
	G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF		G7GI	G7GL		G7GR	G7K2
Change on quarter to:								
2016 Sep	-	-	-	-	-1	-1	-	1
Dec	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
2017 Mar	-	-1	-	-	-	-1	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-2	-	-4	1	2
Sep	-
% change on quarter to:								
2016 Sep	-	-	-	-	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2
Dec	-	0.6	-	0.1	0.1	-	0.1	-
2017 Mar	-	-0.6	-	-	-	-0.1	-	0.1
Jun	-	-	-	-0.2	-	-0.3	0.6	0.4
Sep	-
Change on year to:								
2016 Sep	-	-	-	-	-1	6	2	3
Dec	-	1	-	1	-	-1	-	2
2017 Mar	-	-	-	1	-	-2	-	2
Jun	-	-	-	-1	-	-6	1	3
Sep	-
% change on year to:								
2016 Sep	-	-	-	-	-0.1	0.4	1.1	0.6
Dec	-	0.7	-	0.2	-	-0.1	0.3	0.5
2017 Mar	-	-	-	0.1	-	-0.1	0.3	0.4
Jun	-	-	-	-0.1	-	-0.4	0.8	0.7
Sep	-

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

5R Public and private sector employment; Headcount - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total employment (thousands)	Public sector excluding effects of major reclassifications		Private sector excluding effects of major reclassifications	
	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage		Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2		G7GO	MFY7	MFY9	MFZ2	MFY5
Change on quarter to:									
2016 Sep	-4	-	4	-	-	-9	-	9	-
Dec	-8	-0.1	8	0.1	-	-1	-	1	-
2017 Mar	16	0.1	-16	-0.1	-	7	-	-7	-
Jun	-9	-	9	-	-	-5	-	5	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:									
2016 Sep	-0.1	..	-	..	-	-0.1	..	-	..
Dec	-0.2	..	-	..	-	-	..	-	..
2017 Mar	0.3	..	-	..	-	0.1	..	-	..
Jun	-0.2	..	0.1	..	-	-0.1	..	-	..
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:									
2016 Sep	8	0.1	-8	-0.1	-	-2	-	2	-
Dec	-10	-0.1	10	0.1	-	-10	-	10	-
2017 Mar	5	-0.1	-5	0.1	-	-2	-	2	-
Jun	-5	-	5	-	-	-8	-	8	-
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:									
2016 Sep	0.2	..	-0.1	..	-	-	..	-	..
Dec	-0.2	..	0.1	..	-	-0.2	..	-	..
2017 Mar	-	..	-	..	-	-	..	-	..
Jun	-0.1	..	-	..	-	-0.2	..	0.1	..
Sep	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Sources: Labour Force Survey and estimates from public sector organisations;
Office for National Statistics

- 1 Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.
2 Annual figures relate to June quarter.