

Statistical bulletin

Public sector employment, UK: June 2020

Estimates of people employed in the public and private sectors in the UK.



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Public sector employment analysis for March 2020 was published in the [Vacancies, jobs and public sector employment](#) release as we streamlined our publications and resource during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. All future analysis will be published in the Public sector employment bulletin series. All public sector data are available in the [accompanying dataset](#).

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1 . Main points

- Total public sector employment (PSE) increased by 39,000 (0.7%) between March and June 2020, mainly because of an increase in employment in the National Health Service in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.
- Total PSE was an estimated 5.51 million in June 2020, an increase of 115,000 (2.1%) compared with June 2019, and it accounted for 16.7% of all people in paid work.
- The National Health Service employed an estimated 1.78 million people in June 2020, an increase of 34,000 (1.9%) on March 2020 and 88,000 (5.2%) on June 2019, the highest since records began in 1999; it accounted for 32.4% of all people employed in the public sector and 5.4% of all people in paid work in the UK.
- Employment in central government increased to an estimated 3.35 million for June 2020, up 45,000 (1.4%) compared with March 2020 and 133,000 (4.1%) compared with June 2019; the main contributors to this increase were the NHS, the Civil Service and local authority schools becoming academies.
- Employment in local government was an estimated 2.01 million, a decrease of 5,000 (0.2%) compared with March 2020 and 15,000 (0.7%) compared with June 2019; the decrease between March and June 2020 was partly because of a reduction in temporary and casual workers in local authorities during the coronavirus pandemic.
- Employment in the Home Civil Service continued to increase in June 2020; at 459,000 it was up 3,000 (0.7%) compared with March 2020 and 11,000 (2.5%) compared with June 2019; employment in the Department for Work and Pensions increased by 1,150 to meet demand for Universal Credit during the coronavirus pandemic.
- There were 27.47 million people estimated to be working in the private sector for June 2020, which was down 51,000 (0.2%) compared with March 2020, though up 87,000 (0.3%) compared with June 2019.

2 . Public sector employment data

[Public sector employment](#)

Dataset | Released 15 September 2020

Quarterly estimates of UK and regional public sector employment, made up of central government (including Civil Service), local government and public corporations. The estimates also include an industrial breakdown.

[Public sector employment time series](#)

Dataset | Dataset ID: PSE | Released 15 September 2020

Seasonally adjusted and non-seasonally adjusted quarterly time series of UK public sector employment, containing the latest estimates.

3 . Measuring the data

Coronavirus

In response to the developing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, we are working to ensure that we continue to publish economic statistics. For more information, please see [COVID-19 and the production of statistics](#).

We have reviewed all publications and data published as part of the labour market release in response to the coronavirus pandemic. This has led to the [postponement of some publications and datasets](#) to ensure that we can continue to publish our main labour market data. This will protect the delivery and quality of our remaining outputs as well as ensuring we can respond to new demands as a direct result of the coronavirus.

For more information on how [labour market data sources, among others, will be affected by the coronavirus pandemic](#), see the statement published on 27 March 2020. A further article published on 6 May 2020, detailed [some of the challenges that we have faced in producing estimates](#) at this time.

Our latest data and analysis on the impact of the coronavirus on the UK economy and population is now available on our dedicated [COVID-19 webpage](#). This will be the hub for all special coronavirus-related publications, drawing on all available data.

Impact on production of public sector employment estimates

For June 2020, the Public Sector Employment Survey received 93% response to all questionnaires, compared with 92% for March 2020. The impact on the survey response and levels of imputation and construction are not statistically significant. Survey contributor-level comments provided to us over the telephone or electronically suggested the estimates were partly affected by coronavirus planning and response.

Sources

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. The survey data are supplemented by data from external sources. Further information can be found in the [Quality and Methodology Information report](#).

Full-time equivalents

While 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](#).

Seasonal adjustment

All PSE [time series](#) in this release, with the exception of 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 total of all public sector industry estimates before seasonal adjustment, but this is not necessarily true after seasonal adjustment.

Reclassifications between the public and private sectors

Comparisons of public and private sector employment over time are complicated by several 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](#).

Quality

More quality and methodology information on strengths, limitations, appropriate uses, and how the data were created is available in the [Public sector employment QMI](#).

4 . Related links

[EMP13: Employment by industry](#)

Dataset | Released 11 August 2020

Estimates of public and private sector employment sourced from the Labour Force Survey (LFS). These estimates differ from our headline estimates of public sector employment derived from the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES), because the QPSES estimates follow national accounts definitions of public and private sector employment, whilst the LFS estimates are based on survey respondents' perceptions of whether they are employed in the public or private sector.

[Civil Service statistics](#)

Statistical release | Released 26 August 2020

Detailed information on the UK Civil Service workforce, including on pay, diversity and location. Responsibility for the collection and publication of this annual release was transferred from the ONS to the Cabinet Office with effect from 1 October 2018.

[Public sector employment in Scotland](#)

Statistical release | Released 15 September 2020

Estimates of public sector employment (PSE) in Scotland, published quarterly by the Scottish Government on the same day as this bulletin.

[Quarterly Employment Survey](#)

Statistical release | Released 15 September 2020

Estimates of short-term employee jobs in Northern Ireland, including public and private sector employment estimates, published by the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) on the same day as this bulletin.

[Local government employment](#)

Dataset | Released 3 July 2020

Estimates of employment for each local authority in England and Wales, sourced from the ONS Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES) and published quarterly by the Local Government Association.

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These tables show data for the last two years, and to improve the readability of these tables on the printed page, most of the footnotes have been removed. A complete time series including footnotes are available from the PSE Datasets (Excel Spreadsheet) at: <https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/publicsectorpersonnel/datasets/publicsectoremploymentreferencetable>

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1 Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		General government			Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
		Central government	Local government	Total general government			
		G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
2018	Mar	3,095	2,068	5,163	188	5,351	430
	Jun	3,120	2,059	5,179	173	5,352	431
	Sep	3,139	2,049	5,188	157	5,345	436
	Dec	3,165	2,038	5,203	156	5,359	440
2019	Mar	3,194	2,025	5,219	155	5,374	446
	Jun	3,217 †	2,020 †	5,237 †	156	5,393 †	448
	Sep	3,251	2,017	5,268	155	5,423	451
	Dec	3,275	2,010	5,285	154	5,439	453
2020	Mar	3,305	2,010	5,315	154	5,469	456
	Jun	3,350	2,005	5,355	153	5,508	459
Change on quarter:		45	-5	40	-1	39	3
Change %:		1.4	-0.2	0.8	-0.6	0.7	0.7
Change on year:		133	-15	118	-3	115	11
Change %:		4.1	-0.7	2.3	-1.9	2.1	2.5

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey; Office for National Statistics

† Indicates earliest revision

2 Public sector employment by industry; Headcount

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Health and social work			Other public sector	Total public sector
		Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work		
		G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM	G7AU
2018	Mar	35	155	246	1,024	1,498	1,642	229	524	5,351
	Jun	35	153	247	1,029	1,501	1,650	222	516	5,352
	Sep	35	153	247	1,033	1,495	1,662	216	506	5,345
	Dec	35	151	247	1,040	1,496	1,670	215	504	5,359
2019	Mar	36	152	249	1,050	1,493	1,683	214	498	5,374
	Jun	36	152	249	1,054	1,496	1,694 †	215	498 †	5,393 †
	Sep	35	153	252	1,056	1,497	1,711	214	505	5,423
	Dec	35	153	253	1,065	1,492	1,727	212	502	5,439
2020	Mar	36	155 †	258 †	1,069 †	1,491	1,748	211 †	505	5,469
	Jun	36	156	261	1,073	1,487	1,782	208	505	5,508
Change on quarter:		0	1	3	4	-4	34	-3	0	39
Change %:		0.0	0.6	1.2	0.4	-0.3	1.9	-1.4	0.0	0.7
Change on year:		0	4	12	19	-9	88	-7	7	115
Change %:		0.0	2.6	4.8	1.8	-0.6	5.2	-3.3	1.4	2.1

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey; Office for National Statistics

† Indicates earliest revision

3 Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		General government			Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
		Central government	Local government	Total general government			
		G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
2018	Mar	2,687	1,574	4,261	175	4,436	399
	Jun	2,706	1,568	4,274	161	4,435	400
	Sep	2,724	1,561	4,285	148	4,433	404
	Dec	2,746	1,555	4,301	147	4,448	409
2019	Mar	2,772	1,550	4,322	145	4,467	414
	Jun	2,790 †	1,549	4,339 †	146 †	4,485 †	416
	Sep	2,820	1,548	4,368	146	4,514	419
	Dec	2,841	1,545	4,386	145	4,531	421
2020	Mar	2,870	1,547 †	4,417	145	4,562	423
	Jun	2,911	1,548	4,459	144	4,603	426
Change on quarter:		41	1	42	-1	41	3
Change %:		1.4	0.1	1.0	-0.7	0.9	0.7
Change on year:		121	-1	120	-2	118	10
Change %:		4.3	-0.1	2.8	-1.4	2.6	2.4

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey; Office for National Statistics

† Indicates earliest revision

4 Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Education	Health and social work			Other public sector	Total public sector
	Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration		National Health Service	Other health and social work			
							G7GC	G7GR		
	G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2	G7G3	
2018 Mar	-	155	236	865	1,101	1,434	172	449	4,436	
Jun	-	153	236	868	1,103	1,441	166	442	4,435	
Sep	-	153	236	872	1,098	1,452	160	433	4,433	
Dec	-	151	237	879	1,101	1,460	159	433	4,448	
2019 Mar	-	152	238	893	1,100	1,472	159	426	4,467	
Jun	-	152	238	896	1,103	1,482 †	161	428 †	4,485 †	
Sep	-	153	241	896	1,102	1,498	159	432	4,514	
Dec	-	153	243	905	1,100	1,513	158	431	4,531	
2020 Mar	-	155 †	248 †	910 †	1,099	1,536	157 †	434	4,562	
Jun	-	156	250	914	1,099	1,567	156	434	4,603	
Change on quarter:	-	1	2	4	0	31	-1	0	41	
Change %:	-	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.0	2.0	-0.6	0.0	0.9	
Change on year:	-	4	12	18	-4	85	-5	6	118	
Change %:	-	2.6	5.0	2.0	-0.4	5.7	-3.1	1.4	2.6	

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey; Office for National Statistics

† Indicates earliest revision

5 Public and private sector employment; Headcount

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
2018 Mar	5,351	16.5	27,038	83.5	32,389	5,233	16.2	27,156	83.8
Jun	5,352	16.5	27,056	83.5	32,408	5,247	16.2	27,161	83.8
Sep	5,345	16.5	27,147	83.5	32,492	5,257	16.2	27,235	83.8
Dec	5,359	16.4	27,355	83.6	32,714	5,271	16.1	27,443	83.9
2019 Mar	5,374	16.4	27,372	83.6	32,746	5,286	16.1	27,460	83.9
Jun	5,393 †	16.5	27,384 †	83.5	32,777	5,304 †	16.2	27,473 †	83.8
Sep	5,423	16.5	27,378	83.5	32,801	5,336	16.3	27,465	83.7
Dec	5,439	16.5	27,546	83.5	32,985	5,351	16.2	27,634	83.8
2020 Mar	5,469	16.6	27,522	83.4	32,991	5,380	16.3	27,611	83.7
Jun	5,508	16.7	27,471	83.3	32,979	5,417	16.4	27,562	83.6
Change on quarter:	39	0.1	-51	-0.1	-12	37	0.1	-49	-0.1
Change %:	0.7	..	-0.2	..	0.0	0.7	..	-0.2	..
Change on year:	115	0.2	87	-0.2	202	113	0.2	89	-0.2
Change %:	2.1	..	0.3	..	0.6	2.1	..	0.3	..

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

† Indicates earliest revision

8 Civil Service employment by department ^{1 2}

Headcount, Great Britain, not seasonally adjusted

	June 2020						March 2020		Change on Quarter
	Male			Female			Total	Total	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
Permanent Employees									
Attorney General's departments	2,900	270	3,170	3,780	2,010	5,790	8,960	8,920	40
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	5,580	460	6,050	4,370	1,420	5,790	11,840	11,690	140
Cabinet Office	3,770	120	3,890	3,840	510	4,350	8,230	7,850	380
Other Cabinet Office agencies	410	10	420	370	80	460	880	860	30
Charity Commission	160	20	180	160	70	230	410	370	40
Competition and Markets Authority	400	20	420	340	80	430	850	850	..
Defence	32,580	1,660	34,240	17,680	4,440	22,110	56,350	56,250	100
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	620	10	630	670	100	760	1,390	1,280	110
Education	2,970	140	3,110	3,370	930	4,300	7,410	7,300	110
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	4,090	300	4,390	3,980	1,610	5,590	9,980	10,060	-80
Estyn	50	10	50	50	20	70	120	120	..
Export Credits Guarantee Department	210	10	210	110	20	120	330	340	-10
Food Standards Agency	700	50	740	430	70	500	1,240	1,240	0
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	3,450	70	3,520	2,590	250	2,840	6,360	6,420	-70
Health and Social Care	2,710	190	2,890	4,080	1,230	5,310	8,210	8,080	130
HM Land Registry	1,960	420	2,380	1,990	1,620	3,610	5,990	5,750	240
HM Revenue and Customs	26,700	4,380	31,070	20,620	15,230	35,850	66,920	67,190	-270
HM Treasury	1,190	40	1,240	970	170	1,140	2,380	2,270	110
Chancellor's other departments	200	20	220	140	40	190	400	390	10
Home Office	14,510	1,580	16,090	11,970	5,800	17,770	33,870	33,760	110
Housing, Communities and Local Government	1,450	150	1,590	1,210	320	1,530	3,130	3,110	20
International Development	1,080	50	1,130	1,290	200	1,490	2,620	2,610	10
International Trade	1,300	20	1,320	1,070	70	1,150	2,470	2,300	160
Justice	31,760	3,060	34,820	30,790	10,340	41,130	75,950	75,340	610
The National Archives	220	20	240	220	50	270	500	500	0
National Crime Agency	2,680	60	2,740	1,740	360	2,100	4,840	4,700	140
Northern Ireland Office	90	..	90	100	10	110	200	180	20
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and	570	30	600	970	220	1,190	1,780	1,750	30
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	460	10	470	350	60	410	880	870	10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	80	..	80	110	20	130	210	200	10
Office of Rail and Road	170	20	180	100	30	130	310	320	..
Ofwat	120	10	130	100	30	130	250	250	10
Scotland Office	50	..	50	70	10	80	130	130	..
Transport	7,390	870	8,260	4,300	2,570	6,870	15,130	15,100	30
UK Statistics Authority	1,510	610	2,120	1,530	1,170	2,700	4,820	4,770	50
UK Supreme Court	20	..	20	20	10	20	40	40	0
Wales Office	30	0	30	20	..	20	50	40	10
Work and Pensions	22,540	4,600	27,140	24,790	28,360	53,150	80,300	79,550	750
Central Government Departments Total	176,650	19,270	195,910	150,270	79,520	229,790	425,710	422,750	2,950
Scottish Government	9,290	920	10,210	8,150	2,660	10,810	21,020	20,780	240
Welsh Government	2,130	170	2,300	2,390	930	3,320	5,620	5,630	-10
TOTAL	188,070	20,350	208,420	160,810	83,110	243,920	452,340	449,160	3,190

	June 2020						March 2020		Change on Quarter
	Male			Female			Total	Total	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
Temporary/Casual Employees									
Attorney General's departments	80	..	80	140	10	140	220	240	-20
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	110	10	120	60	10	70	190	160	30
Cabinet Office	20	..	20	20	..	20	40	40	0
Other Cabinet Office agencies	30	..	30	20	..	20	50	60	-20
Charity Commission	..	0	..	..	0	..	10	40	-30
Competition and Markets Authority	10	0	10	10	0	10	20	20	..
Defence	80	..	80	20	10	20	110	90	10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	10	0	10	20	..	20	30	40	-10
Education	40	0	40	60	10	70	100	10	100
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	180	10	180	200	20	220	400	420	-10
Estyn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Export Credits Guarantee Department	..	0	..	..	0	..	..	..	..
Food Standards Agency	10	10	20	10	..	10	30	30	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	10	..	10	..	0	..	10	..	10
Health and Social Care	130	70	190	240	170	410	600	510	90
HM Land Registry	..	..	..	..	0	..	10	40	-30
HM Revenue and Customs	110	10	120	60	20	70	200	210	-10
HM Treasury	10	0	10	10	..	10	20	20	0
Chancellor's other departments	..	0	..	10	0	10	10	..	..
Home Office	220	470	690	200	160	360	1,050	1,210	-160
Housing, Communities and Local Government	10	0	10	20	..	20	30	30	10
International Development	20	0	20	20	..	20	40	30	..
International Trade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Justice	330	30	360	770	70	840	1,200	1,110	90
The National Archives	..	..	10	10	..	10	20	20	0
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, Children's Services and	..	0	..	10	..	20	20	20	..
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	80	..	80	60	..	60	140	120	20
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	10	..	10	10	..	10	30	30	..
Office of Rail and Road	..	0	..	0	..	..	10	10	..
Ofwat	..	0	..	..	0	..	..	10	..
Scotland Office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport	100	10	110	80	10	90	200	230	-40
UK Statistics Authority	40	0	40	30	..	30	70	70	..
UK Supreme Court	10	0	10	10	..	10	10	20	..
Wales Office	..	0	..	..	0	..	..	10	..
Work and Pensions	700	10	710	910	40	950	1,660	1,240	420
Central Government Departments Total	2,340	640	2,970	2,980	550	3,530	6,500	6,060	440
Scottish Government	150	20	170	140	30	170	340	370	-30
Welsh Government	30	0	30	30	..	30	60	60	..
TOTAL	2,510	660	3,170	3,140	590	3,730	6,890	6,480	410

	June 2020						March 2020		Change on Quarter
	Male			Female			Total	Total	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
All Employees	190,580	21,010	211,590	163,950	83,700	247,650	459,240	455,640	3,600

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, 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

	June 2020			March 2020	Change on
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Quarter
Permanent Employees					
Attorney General's departments	3,080	5,210	8,290	8,250	40
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	5,910	5,390	11,290	11,170	120
Cabinet Office	3,850	4,210	8,060	7,710	350
Other Cabinet Office agencies	420	440	860	830	20
Charity Commission	170	210	380	350	30
Competition and Markets Authority	420	410	820	820	..
Defence	33,670	20,780	54,450	54,360	90
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	630	740	1,360	1,250	110
Education	3,080	4,070	7,150	7,050	100
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	4,310	5,120	9,420	9,500	-80
Estyn	50	60	110	110	..
Export Credits Guarantee Department	210	120	330	340	-10
Food Standards Agency	730	480	1,200	1,200	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	3,490	2,760	6,250	6,310	-70
Health and Social Care	2,840	4,950	7,790	7,640	160
HM Land Registry	2,250	3,140	5,390	5,150	240
HM Revenue and Customs	29,680	31,140	60,820	61,030	-210
HM Treasury	1,220	1,090	2,310	2,200	110
Chancellor's other departments	210	170	390	380	10
Home Office	15,600	16,000	31,600	31,490	110
Housing, Communities and Local Government	1,550	1,450	3,000	2,970	20
International Development	1,110	1,430	2,550	2,540	10
International Trade	1,310	1,130	2,440	2,280	160
Justice	33,510	37,520	71,030	70,470	560
The National Archives	230	250	480	480	0
National Crime Agency	2,720	1,990	4,720	4,580	130
Northern Ireland Office	90	110	200	180	20
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills	590	1,120	1,710	1,680	30
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	470	390	860	860	10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	80	120	210	200	10
Office of Rail and Road	180	120	300	300	..
Ofwat	120	120	240	240	10
Scotland Office	50	80	130	130	..
Transport	7,970	6,000	13,960	13,930	40
UK Statistics Authority	1,900	2,310	4,200	4,150	60
UK Supreme Court	20	20	40	40	0
Wales Office	30	20	50	40	10
Work and Pensions	25,860	44,780	70,640	69,910	740
Central Government Departments Total	189,610	205,420	395,030	392,110	2,920
Scottish Government	9,850	10,020	19,880	19,630	250
Welsh Government	2,250	3,070	5,310	5,320	-10
TOTAL	201,700	218,510	420,210	417,060	3,160

	June 2020			March 2020	Change on
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Quarter
Temporary/Casual Employees					
Attorney General's departments	80	140	220	240	-20
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	120	70	180	160	20
Cabinet Office	20	20	30	30	..
Other Cabinet Office agencies	30	20	50	60	-20
Charity Commission	..	..	10	40	-30
Competition and Markets Authority	10	10	20	20	..
Defence	80	20	100	90	10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	10	20	30	40	-10
Education	40	70	100	10	100
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	180	220	400	410	-10
Estyn	0	0	0	0	0
Export Credits Guarantee Department	..	..	..	..	..
Food Standards Agency	20	10	30	30	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	10	..	10	..	..
Health and Social Care	140	260	400	430	-30
HM Land Registry	..	..	..	40	-30
HM Revenue and Customs	120	70	190	190	..
HM Treasury	10	10	20	20	0
Chancellor's other departments	..	10	10	..	..
Home Office	490	290	780	910	-130
Housing, Communities and Local Government	10	20	30	30	10
International Development	20	20	40	30	..
International Trade	0	0	0	0	0
Justice	350	810	1,160	1,070	90
The National Archives	..	10	20	20	0
National Crime Agency	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Ireland Office	0	0	0	0	0
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills	..	10	20	20	..
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	80	60	140	120	20
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	10	10	30	30	..
Office of Rail and Road	..	..	10	10	..
Ofwat	..	..	..	10	..
Scotland Office	0	0	0	0	0
Transport	100	90	190	220	-40
UK Statistics Authority	40	30	70	70	..
UK Supreme Court	10	10	10	10	0
Wales Office	..	..	..	10	..
Work and Pensions	710	940	1,650	1,210	440
Central Government Departments Total	2,670	3,250	5,920	5,550	370
Scottish Government	160	160	320	340	-30
Welsh Government	30	30	60	50	..
TOTAL	2,860	3,430	6,290	5,950	340

	June 2020			March 2020	Change on
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Quarter
All Employees	204,560	221,940	426,490	423,000	3,490

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, 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.

9 Civil Service employment by department and agency ¹

	June 2020		March 2020		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Attorney General's departments						
Attorney General's Office	50	50	50	50	..	..
Crown Prosecution Service	6,200	5,730	6,190	5,720	10	10
Government Legal Department	2,420	2,240	2,410	2,230	10	10
HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate	30	30	30	20	..	..
Serious Fraud Office	480	470	480	470	..	..
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy						
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	4,640	4,520	4,540	4,420	100	100
Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service	950	880	960	890	-10	-10
Companies House	1,060	980	1,060	980	..	..
The Insolvency Service	1,690	1,610	1,670	1,590	30	20
Intellectual Property Office	1,340	1,260	1,330	1,250	10	10
Met Office	2,110	1,990	2,040	1,950	70	50
UK Space Agency	240	240	260	250	-20	-20
Cabinet Office						
Cabinet Office (excluding agencies) ²	8,270	8,100	7,890	7,750	380	350
Other Cabinet Office agencies						
Crown Commercial Service	670	650	670	650	..	..
Government in Parliament	100	100	100	100	..	..
Government Property Agency	160	160	150	150	10	10
Charity Commission						
Charity Commission	410	390	410	390	..	..
Competition and Markets Authority						
Competition and Markets Authority	870	840	880	850	-10	..
Defence						
Ministry of Defence (excluding trading funds) ²	38,180	36,880	38,060	36,770	110	120
Defence Electronics and Components Agency	420	400	430	400	..	..
Defence Equipment and Support	10,690	10,340	10,750	10,410	-60	-60
Defence Science and Technology Laboratory	4,480	4,320	4,460	4,300	10	10
Submarine Delivery Agency	1,860	1,820	1,820	1,780	50	50
UK Hydrographic Office	820	780	830	790	-10	-10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport						
Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (excluding agencies)	1,420	1,390	1,320	1,290	110	100
Education						
Department for Education (excluding agencies)	5,320	5,120	5,130	4,930	190	190
Education and Skills Funding Agency	1,800	1,740	1,810	1,750	-10	-10
Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education	180	180	170	170	20	20
Standards and Testing Agency	130	130	130	130	0	0
Teaching Regulation Agency	80	70	80	70	..	0
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs						
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (excluding agencies)	4,980	4,790	5,010	4,820	-40	-30
Animal and Plant Health Agency	2,390	2,250	2,420	2,280	-30	-30
Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science	630	590	640	600	-10	-10
Rural Payments Agency	2,230	2,040	2,250	2,060	-20	-20
Veterinary Medicines Directorate	160	150	160	160	..	..
Estyn						
Estyn	120	110	120	110	..	..
Export Credits Guarantee Department						
Export Credits Guarantee Department	340	330	340	340	-10	-10
Food Standards Agency						
Food Standards Agency	1,270	1,230	1,270	1,230	..	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office						
Foreign and Commonwealth Office (excluding agencies)	5,210	5,140	5,260	5,190	-60	-60
FCO Services	1,060	1,030	1,070	1,040	-10	-10
Wilton Park Executive Agency	90	80	90	90	..	..
Health and Social Care						
Department of Health and Social Care (excluding agencies)	1,810	1,750	1,770	1,710	40	40
Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency	1,260	1,210	1,250	1,210	10	10
Public Health England	5,740	5,230	5,570	5,150	170	80
HM Land Registry						
HM Land Registry	6,000	5,390	5,790	5,190	210	200
HM Revenue and Customs						
HM Revenue and Customs (excluding agencies)	63,600	57,760	63,840	57,940	-240	-190
Valuation Office Agency	3,510	3,250	3,550	3,280	-40	-30
HM Treasury						
HM Treasury (excluding agencies)	1,740	1,700	1,640	1,600	100	100
Government Internal Audit Agency	460	440	460	440	..	..
National Infrastructure Commission	40	40	40	40	..	..
Office for Budget Responsibility	40	30	30	30	..	..
UK Debt Management Office	110	110	110	110	..	..
Chancellor's other departments						
Government Actuary's Department	210	190	190	180	10	10
National Savings and Investments	200	200	200	200	..	..
Home Office						
Home Office	34,920	32,380	34,970	32,400	-50	-20
Housing, Communities and Local Government						
Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (excluding agencies)	2,300	2,240	2,270	2,220	20	30
Planning Inspectorate	820	740	810	740	..	..

9 Civil Service employment by department and agency ¹

	June 2020		March 2020		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Queen Elizabeth II Centre	50	50	50	50	0	0
International Development						
Department for International Development	2,660	2,580	2,640	2,570	10	10
International Trade						
Department for International Trade	2,470	2,440	2,300	2,280	160	160
Justice						
Ministry of Justice (excluding agencies)	4,780	4,660	4,640	4,520	140	140
Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority	300	280	310	280	-10	-10
HM Courts and Tribunals Service	15,970	14,320	15,830	14,160	140	160
HM Prison and Probation Service	53,370	50,400	52,930	50,020	440	380
Legal Aid Agency	1,180	1,110	1,190	1,120	-10	-10
Office of the Public Guardian	1,540	1,420	1,550	1,440	-10	-20
The National Archives						
The National Archives	520	490	520	490	0	0
National Crime Agency						
National Crime Agency	4,840	4,720	4,700	4,580	140	140
Northern Ireland Office						
Northern Ireland Office	200	200	180	180	20	20
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills						
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills	1,800	1,730	1,770	1,700	30	30
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets						
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	1,020	1,000	990	970	30	30
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation						
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	240	230	230	220	10	10
Office of Rail and Road						
Office of Rail and Road	320	310	320	310
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Owat	260	250	250	250
Scotland Office						
Scotland Office (incl. Office of the Advocate General for Scotland)	130	130	130	130
Transport						
Department for Transport (excluding agencies)	3,010	2,920	2,940	2,850	80	80
Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency	6,220	5,480	6,270	5,530	-50	-50
Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency	4,730	4,440	4,770	4,490	-40	-50
Maritime and Coastguard Agency	1,160	1,110	1,130	1,090	30	20
Vehicle Certification Agency	200	190	210	200	-10	-10
UK Statistics Authority						
UK Statistics Authority	4,890	4,270	4,840	4,220	40	60
UK Supreme Court						
UK Supreme Court	50	50	50	50	..	..
Wales Office						
Wales Office	50	50	50	50	..	..
Work and Pensions						
Department for Work and Pensions	79,450	69,950	78,300	68,790	1,150	1,160
Health and Safety Executive	2,500	2,340	2,490	2,320	20	20
Scottish Government						
Scottish Government (excluding agencies)	7,430	7,120	7,370	7,050	70	70
Accountant in Bankruptcy	130	110	130	110	..	..
Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal	1,970	1,820	1,960	1,810	10	10
Disclosure Scotland	290	280	300	280	-10	-10
Education Scotland	320	310	330	320	-10	-10
Food Standards Scotland	230	220	220	210	10	10
Forestry and Land Scotland	950	910	950	910	..	..
National Records of Scotland	440	410	440	410	..	-10
Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator	50	50	50	50	..	..
Registers of Scotland	1,180	1,130	1,190	1,140	-10	-10
Revenue Scotland	70	60	70	70	..	..
Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service	1,780	1,620	1,790	1,630	-10	-10
Scottish Fiscal Commission	20	20	20	20	..	..
Scottish Forestry	180	170	190	170	-10	-10
Scottish Housing Regulator	50	50	50	50	..	..
Scottish Prison Service	4,440	4,180	4,430	4,150	20	30
Scottish Public Pensions Agency	290	260	300	270	..	..
Social Security Scotland	840	810	670	650	170	160
Student Awards Agency for Scotland	230	220	230	230	..	..
Transport Scotland	470	460	480	470	-10	-10
Welsh Government						
Welsh Government	5,610	5,300	5,610	5,300	-10	..
Welsh Revenue Authority	70	70	70	70	0	0
Total employment	459,240	426,490	455,640	423,000	3,600	3,490

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, Office for National Statistics

- Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by "...".
- Around 670 staff transferred from the Ministry of Defence to the Cabinet Office between March and June 2020.

10 Employment in Executive NDPBs ^{1 2 3}

Permanent Employees	June 2020		March 2020		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	10,440	10,050	10,240	9,850	200	190
Cabinet Office	780	730	830	780	-60	-60
Defence	500	430	510	440	-10	-10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	11,270	10,270	11,350	10,370	-80	-110
Education	4,780	4,570	4,790	4,590	-10	-20
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	14,570	13,620	14,460	13,540	100	80
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	1,410	1,370	1,460	1,410	-50	-40
Health and Social Care	11,650	11,120	12,100	11,540	-450	-420
Home Office	2,460	2,290	2,470	2,290	..	..
Housing, Communities and Local Government	1,190	1,160	1,180	1,150	..	10
Justice	2,430	2,290	2,390	2,250	40	40
Transport	1,790	1,750	1,830	1,790	-40	-40
Work and Pensions	970	940	960	940	10	10
Central Government Departments Total	64,210	60,570	64,570	60,940	-350	-370
Scottish Government	11,510	10,600	11,520	10,460	..	140
Welsh Assembly	3,250	3,000	3,200	2,940	60	60
TOTAL	78,980	74,170	79,280	74,340	-300	-170

Temporary Employees	June 2020		March 2020		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	130	120	240	220	-110	-100
Cabinet Office	0	0	0	0	0	0
Defence	140	20	150	50	-10	-30
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport	1,520	580	1,550	580	-30	-10
Education	190	190	160	150	30	40
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	720	660	820	750	-100	-90
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	..	..	10	10	-10	-10
Health and Social Care	1,770	750	2,310	820	-530	-60
Home Office	70	50	70	50	0	0
Housing, Communities and Local Government	90	90	40	40	50	50
Justice	50	50	40	40	..	..
Transport	30	30	30	20	..	10
Work and Pensions	90	90	100	100	-10	-10
Central Government Departments Total	4,810	2,630	5,510	2,840	-700	-210
Scottish Government	580	450	640	520	-60	-70
Welsh Assembly	510	190	550	210	-40	-20
TOTAL	5,890	3,270	6,690	3,570	-810	-300

All NDPB Employees	84,870	77,430	85,970	77,910	-1,100	-470
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Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, 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, Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education, Office for Budget Responsibility. These are Crown NDPBs, the employees of which are included as part of Civil Service headcounts.

4 Environment Agency includes all regional divisions.

11 Employment in Academies

England (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

		Headcount	Full-time equivalent
2018	Mar	540	411
	Jun	554	421
	Sep	560	425
	Dec	570	432
2019	Mar	580	439
	Jun	591	447
	Sep	602	454
	Dec	608	458
2020	Mar	611	461
	Jun	616	464
Change on quarter		5	3
Change %		0.8	0.7
Change on year		25	17
Change %		4.2	3.8

Source: Office for National Statistics

1. Estimates of employment in academies are derived by matching the monthly Open Academies dataset with the annual School Workforce Census, both published by the Department for Education.
2. More detailed statistics on academies are available from the Department for Education: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-school-workforce>