

Statistical bulletin

Labour market overview, UK: May 2026

Estimates of employment, unemployment, economic inactivity and other employment-related statistics for the UK.

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2 . Main points

Estimates for payrolled employees in the UK fell by 104,000 (0.3%) between March 2025 and March 2026, and decreased by 28,000 (0.1%) between February and March 2026. This is based on administrative data from HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC).

When looking at January to March 2026, the period comparable with our Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates, the number of payrolled employees fell by 94,000 (0.3%) over the year and by 20,000 (0.1%) over the quarter.

The early estimate of payrolled employees for April 2026 decreased by 210,000 (0.7%) on the year, and by 100,000 (0.3%) on the month, to 30.2 million. Figures for April should be treated as provisional estimates and are likely to be revised when more data are received next month. Early months in the tax year typically carry a greater degree of uncertainty in their initial estimates, and such estimates in recent years have received larger-than-average upward revisions. Information on [revisions to payrolled employees](#) is published monthly. We have published analysis of recent revisions in our [LFS quality update: January 2026 article](#).

Estimates from January to March 2025 include the full effect of the improvements in Labour Force Survey (LFS) data collection and sampling methods introduced from January 2024 onwards. However, some volatility remains, particularly for estimates for mid-2023 and throughout 2024, and for granular breakdowns, where sample sizes are smaller. Caution should be taken when drawing conclusions from short-term changes, and we advise users to focus on long term movements in the data.

We recommend using as part of our suite of labour market indicators, alongside workforce jobs, Claimant Count and Pay As You Earn (PAYE) Real Time Information (RTI) estimates.

The UK employment rate (based on the LFS) for people aged 16 to 64 years was estimated at 75.0% in January to March 2026. This is largely unchanged on the year but up 0.1 percentage points on the latest quarter.

The UK unemployment rate for people aged 16 years and over was estimated at 5.0% in January to March 2026. This is up 0.5 percentage points on the year but down 0.2 percentage points on the latest quarter.

The UK economic inactivity rate for people aged 16 to 64 years was estimated at 20.9% in January to March 2026. This is down 0.4 percentage points on the year but up 0.1 percentage points on the latest quarter.

The UK Claimant Count for April 2026 increased on the month but decreased on the year to an estimated 1.699 million. The Claimant Count figure for the latest month is provisional and is subject to revisions after first publication. This is the result of later amendments to records in the administrative systems, for example, as work capability assessments conclude and more information is available about benefit claimants' ability to work.

Revisions in recent months have tended to be made downwards, as shown in our [LFS quality update: January 2026 article](#). Further information on [Claimant Count revisions](#) is published each month, and our latest [LFS quality update: April 2026 article](#) includes information on definitional differences with LFS unemployment.

The estimated number of vacancies in the UK has decreased in the latest quarter, following broadly flat estimates between March to May 2025 and December 2025 to February 2026. Early estimates for February to April 2026 suggest a decrease of 28,000 (3.9%), to 705,000, compared with November to January 2026, the lowest level of vacancies since February to April 2021.

Annual growth in employees' average earnings in Great Britain was 3.4% for regular earnings (excluding bonuses), and 4.1% for total earnings (including bonuses) in January to March 2026. Annual average regular earnings growth was 4.8% for the public sector, and 3.0% for the private sector.

We also publish RTI pay data, which provide a provisional, timelier estimate of median pay. The two data sources generally trend well for mean total pay.

Annual growth in real terms, adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Prices Index including owner occupiers' housing costs (CPIH), was 0.1% for regular pay, and 0.8% for total pay in January to March 2026.

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There were an estimated 23,000 working days lost because of labour disputes across the UK in March 2026.

This bulletin includes data from business and social surveys, as well as data from administrative sources. It includes a combination of accredited official statistics and official statistics in development, so we advise taking this into consideration when using. Read more in [Section 7: Data sources and quality](#).

3 . Trends and considerations around comparisons

This section provides additional commentary to help users assess differences between the employment-related data sources we publish.

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) is our survey of households and remains the lead measure for data on labour market participation. Workforce jobs (WFJ) primarily uses business surveys to measure employee jobs with the LFS covering self-employed jobs. HM Revenue and Customs Pay As You Earn (PAYE) Real Time Information (RTI) data come from administrative tax records and cover only payrolled employees.

Because these sources are collected and processed differently, differences in levels are expected (for example, jobs compared with people, or varying reference periods). Divergence across indicators for more than one period is not unusual. Our [Comparison of labour market data sources methodology](#) compares data sources and discusses some of the main differences.

Despite the coherence challenges, the LFS remains the sole source for unemployment, economic inactivity and self-employment data, offering detailed breakdowns unavailable elsewhere.

Latest employee data

Coherence between the LFS employees and the other sources has continued to improve in recent periods, although differences do remain.

Enhancements to the LFS, introduced since January 2024, mean that movements in the LFS over the past year reflect both underlying developments in the economy and improved survey quality (including obtaining more responses from employed people). As a result, while levels have moved closer to RTI, measures of change may be less aligned with RTI because they capture both real labour market shifts and changes arising from the survey improvements.

We updated our estimates of WFJ in our March 2026 labour market publication. In the latest period, the employee component of WFJ showed a quarterly increase after two consecutive quarterly decreases. WFJ can sometimes lag other indicators, as seen at the start of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The three employee indicators over a longer time series are shown in Figure 1. RTI and the employee component of WFJ generally follow similar trends but have diverged in some periods.

Over the last year, LFS employee-level estimates have aligned more closely with RTI and WFJ, helped by recent operational improvements to the LFS. As movements in the LFS over the past year reflect both underlying developments in the economy and improved survey quality, we continue to advise caution when comparing current LFS results with earlier periods.

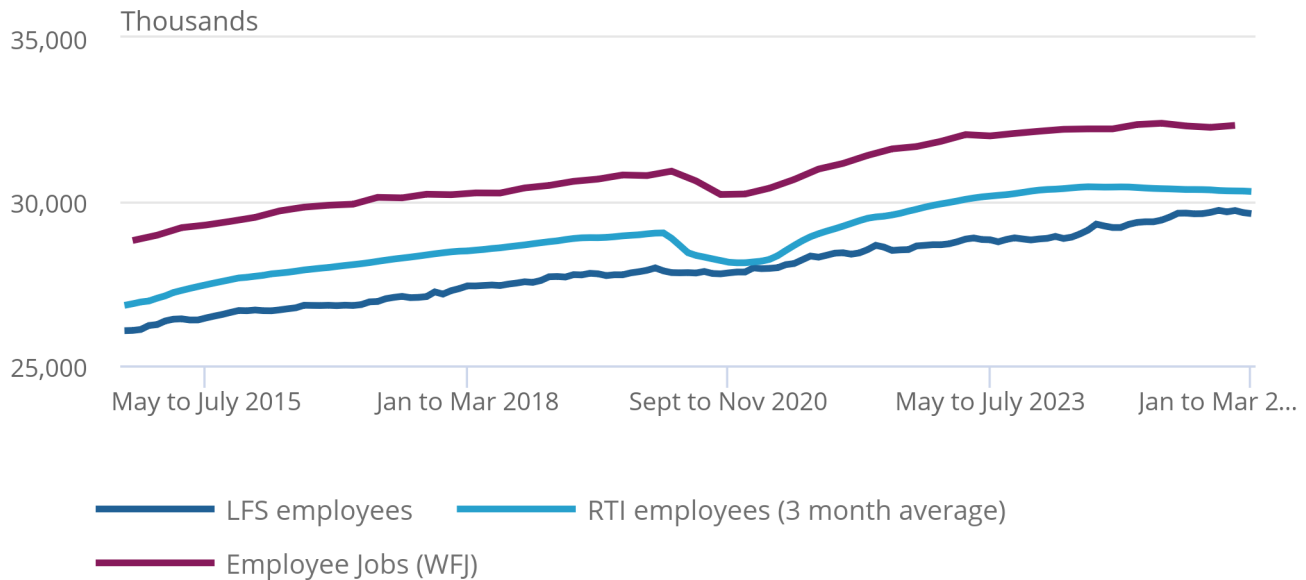
Our view remains that RTI currently provides the most reliable measure of employees. The number of payrolled employees continued to fall in the three months to March 2026. The latest flash estimate shows a large monthly decrease. Early months in the tax year typically carry a greater degree of uncertainty in their initial estimates and have received larger-than-average upward revisions in recent years.

Figure 1: LFS employees have been converging with RTI and WFJ over the last year

Comparison of employee estimates over time, UK, July to September 2014, to January to March 2026

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Source: Labour Force Survey (LFS) and Workforce Jobs (WFJ) from the Office for National Statistics, and Pay As You Earn Real Time Information (RTI) from HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC)

Notes:

1. Three-month averages of RTI payrolled employees have been used here for comparability.
2. Workforce jobs are published for the months of March, June, September and December. For presentational purposes, they have been plotted against the middle month of the time period shown. For example, March is plotted against February to April.

Further information

To deepen our understanding of possible bias in our surveys, we have launched a new project to link LFS and Transformed Labour Force Survey (TLFS) data with HMRC PAYE data at the record level. Updates on progress will be provided in our [Labour market transformation articles](#).

Alongside the labour market release in April, we published our [Labour Force Survey quality update: April 2026 article](#). The article provides information about current response rates, trends and known biases in LFS data, and provides users with information to better understand the current quality of the data.

4 . Latest indicators at a glance

5 . Data on labour market

[Summary of labour market statistics](#)

Dataset A01 | Released 19 May 2026

Labour market statistics summary data table, including earnings, employment, unemployment, redundancies and vacancies, Great Britain and UK, published monthly.

[Earnings and employment from Pay As You Earn Real Time Information, seasonally adjusted](#)

Dataset | Released 19 May 2026

Earnings and employment statistics from Pay As You Earn (PAYE) Real Time Information (RTI), UK, NUTS 1, 2 and 3 areas and local authorities, monthly, seasonally adjusted.

[A guide to labour market data](#)

Methodology | Last revised 12 August 2025

Summary of labour market datasets, providing estimates of employment, unemployment, average weekly earnings, and the number of vacancies. Tables are listed alphabetically and by topic.

View all related data on our [related data page](#).

Alternatively, [Nomis](#) provides free access to the most detailed and up-to-date UK labour market statistics.

6 . Glossary

Average weekly earnings

Average weekly earnings (AWE) are calculated using information based on the Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey (MWSS). AWE measures money paid by employers to employees in Great Britain before tax and other deductions from pay. The estimates are not just a measure of pay rises, because they also reflect, for example, changes in the overall structure of the workforce. More high-paid jobs in the economy would have an upward effect on the earnings growth rate.

Economic inactivity

People not in the labour force who are not in employment but do not meet the internationally accepted definition of unemployment. This is because they have not been seeking work within the last four weeks or they are unable to start work in the next two weeks. The economic inactivity rate is the proportion of people aged between 16 and 64 years who are not in the labour force. The Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates are official statistics in development.

Employment

Employment measures the number of people in paid work or who had a job that they were temporarily away from (for example, because they were on holiday or off sick). This differs from the number of jobs because some people have more than one job. The employment rate is the proportion of people aged between 16 and 64 years who are in employment. The LFS estimates are official statistics in development.

Unemployment

Unemployment measures people without a job who have been actively seeking work within the last four weeks and are available to start work within the next two weeks. The unemployment rate is not the proportion of the total population who are unemployed. It is the proportion of the economically active population (people in work and those seeking and available to work) who are unemployed. The LFS estimates are [official statistics in development](#)

Claimant Count

The Claimant Count is an official statistic in development that measures the number of people who are receiving a benefit principally for the reason of being unemployed. Currently, the Claimant Count consists of those receiving Jobseeker's Allowance, and Universal Credit claimants in the "searching for work" conditionality group.

Vacancies

Vacancies are defined as positions for which employers are actively seeking recruits from outside their business or organisation. The estimates are based on the Vacancy Survey. This is a survey of businesses designed to provide estimates of the stock of vacancies across the economy, excluding agriculture, forestry and fishing (a small sector for which the collection of estimates would not be practical).

Pay As You Earn Real Time Information

These data come from HM Revenue and Customs' (HMRC's) Pay As You Earn (PAYE) Real Time Information (RTI) system. They cover the whole population, rather than a sample of people or companies, and they will allow for more detailed estimates of the population.

In July 2025, the Office for Statistics Regulation (OSR) published a [letter confirming the accreditation of HMRC and the Office for National Statistics \(ONS\) on earnings and employment from PAYE RTI](#).

A more detailed glossary is available in our [Guide to labour market statistics methodology](#).

7 . Data sources and quality

The estimates presented in this bulletin contain uncertainty. For more information, see our [Uncertainty and how we measure it for our surveys methodology](#).

Information on revisions is available in our [Labour market statistics revisions policy](#).

Further information is available in our [Guide to labour market statistics methodology](#).

Accredited official statistics

On 7 June 2024, the Office for Statistics Regulation (OSR) introduced the new accredited official statistics badge, to denote official statistics that have been independently reviewed by the OSR. Accredited official statistics comply with the standards of trustworthiness, quality and value in the [Code of Practice for Statistics](#).

This UK labour market bulletin includes a combination of [accredited official statistics](#) and [official statistics in development](#) (until September 2023, these were called "experimental statistics"). Read more about the change in our [Guide to official statistics in development](#).

The following labour market outputs are accredited official statistics:

- Earnings and employment from Pay As You Earn (PAYE) Real Time Information (RTI) (accredited by the OSR in July 2025)
- Vacancy statistics (reviewed by the OSR in April 2022)
- Workforce jobs (WFJ) (reviewed by the OSR in April 2022)
- Average weekly earnings (AWE) (reviewed by OSR in December 2014)

The following labour market outputs are official statistics in development:

- Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates from the Office for National Statistics (ONS)
- Claimant Count

Labour Force Survey

We have been facing the challenge of falling response rates for household surveys, as have other comparable countries. This issue became more acute in the LFS data collected for August 2023. The LFS estimates due to be published in October 2023 were suspended because of quality concerns. We developed a comprehensive plan to address these concerns and reintroduce the LFS, as described in our [Labour Force Survey: planned improvements and its reintroduction methodology](#). We reinstated reweighted LFS estimates into our monthly publication from February 2024, as described in our [Impact of reweighting on LFS key indicators: 2024 article](#). In December 2024, we carried out a [further LFS reweighting exercise, based on 2022 mid-year estimates](#).

Estimates from January to March 2025 include the full effect of the improvements in LFS data collection and sampling methods introduced from January 2024 onwards. Some volatility remains, particularly for estimates for mid-2023 and throughout 2024, and for granular breakdowns, where sample sizes are smaller. Caution should be taken when drawing conclusions from short-term changes, and we advise users to focus on long-term movements in the data.

We recommend using LFS estimates as part of our suite of labour market indicators, alongside workforce jobs, Claimant Count, and PAYE RTI estimates.

More information on LFS quality can be found in our [LFS quality update: April 2026 article](#).

As part of work to address quality concerns with the LFS, response levels and rates have shown clear improvement, with responses now close to their pre-coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic level. The achieved sample, including imputed cases (the dataset size), has increased from 77,927 individuals in October to December 2025 to 80,078 individuals in January to March 2026, as shown in our [LFS performance and quality monitoring report: January to March 2026](#).

Labour market transformation

We have provided an update on the transformation of labour market statistics in our [Labour market transformation update on progress and plans: April 2026 article](#).

We welcome your feedback on this latest update and our plans. Please email us at labour.market.transformation@ons.gov.uk to tell us what you think.

Coronavirus

For more information on how labour market data sources were affected by the coronavirus pandemic, see our [Coronavirus and the effects on UK labour market statistics article](#).

8 . Related links

[ONS economic statistics and surveys improvement plan, quarterly progress update: April 2026](#)

Article | Released 15 April 2026

Progress across the ONS against our recovery plans for improving our economic statistics and surveys, between December 2025 and March 2026.

[Labour market transformation - update on progress and plans: April 2026](#)

Article | Released 15 April 2026

Labour market transformation overview, building on previous engagement on the Transformed Labour Force Survey.

[Economic activity and social change in the UK, real-time indicators: 23 April 2026](#)

Bulletin | Released 23 April 2026

Data on the UK economy and society. These faster indicators are created using rapid response surveys, novel data sources, and innovative methods. These are official statistics in development.

[Business insights and impact on the UK economy: 7 May 2026](#)

Bulletin | Released 7 May 2026

The impact of challenges facing the economy and other events on UK businesses, including financial performance, workforce, trade, and business resilience.

[Labour Force Survey performance and quality monitoring report: January to March 2026](#)

Methodology | Released 19 May 2026

Response rates, sample size and quality assessment of our quarterly Labour Force Survey.

[Labour Force Survey quality update: April 2026](#)

Article | Released 21 April 2026

Assessment of Labour Force Survey data quality, including the impact of recent changes on the statistics, response levels and rates, and respondent characteristics.

9 . Cite this statistical bulletin

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Summary of labour market statistics published on 19 May 2026

Series	Reference period	Latest estimate	Last time higher	Last time lower	Comparable data begins in
Employment level (aged 16 and over)	Jan-Mar 2026	34.392 million	Never	Dec-Feb 2026 (34.328 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Employment rate (aged 16 to 64)	Jan-Mar 2026	75.0%	Nov-Jan 2026 (75.1%)	Aug-Oct 2025 (74.9%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Unemployment level (aged 16 and over)	Jan-Mar 2026	1.806 million	Nov-Jan 2026 (1.869 million)	Dec-Feb 2026 (1.780 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Unemployment rate (aged 16 and over)	Jan-Mar 2026	5.0%	Nov-Jan 2026 (5.2%)	Dec-Feb 2026 (4.9%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Inactivity level (aged 16 to 64)	Jan-Mar 2026	9.103 million	Dec-Feb 2026 (9.116 million)	Nov-Jan 2026 (8.999 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Inactivity rate (aged 16 to 64)	Jan-Mar 2026	20.9%	Dec-Feb 2026 (21.0%)	Nov-Jan 2026 (20.7%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Average Earnings (total pay - nominal)	Jan-Mar 2026	4.1%	Oct-Dec 2025 (4.2%)	Dec-Feb 2026 (3.9%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (regular pay - nominal)	Jan-Mar 2026	3.4%	Dec-Feb 2026 (3.6%)	Aug-Oct 2020 (2.8%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (total pay - real)	Jan-Mar 2026	0.8%	Jun-Aug 2025 (0.9%)	Dec-Feb 2026 (0.6%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (regular pay - real)	Jan-Mar 2026	0.1%	Dec-Feb 2026 (0.2%)	Mar-May 2023 (-0.6%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Vacancies level	Feb-Apr 2026	0.705 million	Jan-Mar 2026 (0.712 million)	Feb-Apr 2021 (0.660 million)	Apr-Jun 2001

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<https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/employmentandemployeetypes/bulletins/uklabourmarket/may2026/relateddata>

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(*) Tables 2 and 10 in the Statistical Bulletin pdf file have been amalgamated into one spreadsheet (Dataset A05 SA).

(**) Table JOBS02 provides more detail than Table 6 in the Statistical Bulletin pdf file.

Shaded cells: these data are now only available in datasets EMP06 and A12.

The following symbols are used in the tables: p provisional, r revised, .. Not available, * suppressed due to small sample size.

The four-character identification codes appearing in the tables are the ONS references for the data series appearing in the Labour Market Statistics dataset which is available on the website at:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/employmentandemployeetypes/datasets/labourmarketstatistics>

SUMMARY

1 Summary of headline LFS¹ indicators

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	LFS household population ¹				Headline indicators					
	All aged 16 & over		All aged 16 to 64		Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
					Level	Rate ²	Level	Rate ³	Level	Rate ⁴
	MGSL	LF2O	MGRZ	LF24	MGSC	MGSX	LF2M	LF2S		
People										
Jan-Mar 2024	55,454	42,801	33,335	74.5	1,513	4.3	9,445	22.1		
Jan-Mar 2025	56,065	43,178	33,975	75.0	1,614	4.5	9,229	21.4		
Apr-Jun 2025	56,213	43,266	34,214	75.3	1,672	4.7	9,073	21.0		
Jul-Sep 2025	56,351	43,341	34,192	75.0	1,789	5.0	9,080	21.0		
Oct-Dec 2025	56,485	43,411	34,244	75.0	1,883	5.2	9,042	20.8		
Jan-Mar 2026	56,618	43,480	34,392	75.0	1,806	5.0	9,103	20.9		
Change on quarter	133	69	148	0.1	-77	-0.2	60	0.1		
Change %	0.2	0.2	0.4		-4.1		0.7			
Change on year	553	302	416	0.0	192	0.5	-126	-0.4		
Change %	1.0	0.7	1.2		11.9		-1.4			
Men	MGSM	YBTG	MGSA	MGSV	MGSD	MGSY	YBSO	YBTM		
Jan-Mar 2024	26,914	21,036	17,155	77.4	819	4.6	3,960	18.8		
Jan-Mar 2025	27,233	21,238	17,485	78.1	863	4.7	3,833	18.0		
Apr-Jun 2025	27,310	21,285	17,620	78.4	886	4.8	3,749	17.6		
Jul-Sep 2025	27,382	21,326	17,533	77.7	1,002	5.4	3,790	17.8		
Oct-Dec 2025	27,452	21,364	17,539	77.6	1,061	5.7	3,768	17.6		
Jan-Mar 2026	27,521	21,402	17,659	77.9	988	5.3	3,766	17.6		
Change on quarter	69	38	120	0.3	-73	-0.4	-2	0.0		
Change %	0.3	0.2	0.7		-6.9		-0.1			
Change on year	288	164	175	-0.1	125	0.6	-67	-0.5		
Change %	1.1	0.8	1.0		14.5		-1.7			
Women	MGSN	LF2P	MGSB	LF25	MGSE	MGSZ	LF2N	LF2T		
Jan-Mar 2024	28,540	21,765	16,181	71.7	694	4.1	5,485	25.2		
Jan-Mar 2025	28,832	21,940	16,491	72.0	751	4.4	5,396	24.6		
Apr-Jun 2025	28,903	21,981	16,594	72.3	787	4.5	5,324	24.2		
Jul-Sep 2025	28,969	22,015	16,660	72.5	787	4.5	5,290	24.0		
Oct-Dec 2025	29,033	22,047	16,705	72.4	822	4.7	5,274	23.9		
Jan-Mar 2026	29,097	22,078	16,733	72.2	818	4.7	5,337	24.2		
Change on quarter	64	31	28	-0.2	-4	0.0	62	0.2		
Change %	0.2	0.1	0.2		-0.5		1.2			
Change on year	265	138	242	0.1	67	0.3	-60	-0.4		
Change %	0.9	0.6	1.5		9.0		-1.1			

Source: Labour Force Survey

Labour market statistics enquiries: labour.market@ons.gov.uk

1. The Labour Force Survey (LFS) is a survey of households in the UK.

2. The headline employment rate is the number of people aged 16 to 64 in employment divided by the population aged 16 to 64.

3. The headline unemployment rate is the number of unemployed people (aged 16+) divided by the economically active population (aged 16+). The economically active population is defined as those in employment plus those who are unemployed.

4. The headline inactivity rate is the number of people aged 16 to 64 divided by the population aged 16-64.

Note on headline employment, unemployment and inactivity rates

The headline employment and inactivity rates are based on the population aged 16 to 64 but the headline unemployment rate is based on the economically active population aged 16 and over. The employment and inactivity rates for those aged 16 and over are affected by the inclusion of the retired population in the denominators and are therefore less meaningful than the rates for those aged from 16 to 64.

However, for the unemployment rate for those aged 16 and over, no such effect occurs as the denominator for the unemployment rate is the economically active population which only includes people in work or actively seeking and able to work.

Note on headline employment, unemployment and inactivity levels

The headline employment and unemployment levels are for those aged 16 and over; they measure all people in work or actively seeking and able to work. However, the headline inactivity level is for those aged 16 to 64. The inactivity rate for those aged 16 and over is less meaningful as it includes elderly people who have retired from the labour force.

SUMMARY

2(1) Labour market status by age group

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Aged 16 and over						Aged 16-64					
	Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity		Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate
People	MGRZ	MGSR	MGSC	MGSX	MGSI	YBTC	LF2G	LF24	LF2I	LF2Q	LF2M	LF2S
Jan-Mar 2024	33,335	60.1	1,513	4.3	20,605	37.2	31,885	74.5	1,471	4.4	9,445	22.1
Jan-Mar 2025	33,975	60.6	1,614	4.5	20,476	36.5	32,383	75.0	1,566	4.6	9,229	21.4
Apr-Jun 2025	34,214	60.9	1,672	4.7	20,327	36.2	32,566	75.3	1,627	4.8	9,073	21.0
Jul-Sep 2025	34,192	60.7	1,789	5.0	20,370	36.1	32,524	75.0	1,737	5.1	9,080	21.0
Oct-Dec 2025	34,244	60.6	1,883	5.2	20,358	36.0	32,541	75.0	1,828	5.3	9,042	20.8
Jan-Mar 2026	34,392	60.7	1,806	5.0	20,421	36.1	32,615	75.0	1,763	5.1	9,103	20.9
Change on quarter	148	0.1	-77	-0.2	63	0.0	74	0.1	-65	-0.2	60	0.1
Change %	0.4		-4.1		0.3		0.2		-3.6		0.7	
Change on year	416	0.1	192	0.5	-56	-0.5	232	0.0	197	0.5	-126	-0.4
Change %	1.2		11.9		-0.3		0.7		12.6		-1.4	
Men	MGSA	MGSS	MGSD	MGSY	MGSJ	YBTD	YBSF	MGSV	YBSI	YBTJ	YBSO	YBTM
Jan-Mar 2024	17,155	63.7	819	4.6	8,940	33.2	16,281	77.4	794	4.7	3,960	18.8
Jan-Mar 2025	17,485	64.2	863	4.7	8,885	32.6	16,576	78.1	829	4.8	3,833	18.0
Apr-Jun 2025	17,620	64.5	886	4.8	8,804	32.2	16,682	78.4	854	4.9	3,749	17.6
Jul-Sep 2025	17,533	64.0	1,002	5.4	8,847	32.3	16,568	77.7	968	5.5	3,790	17.8
Oct-Dec 2025	17,539	63.9	1,061	5.7	8,852	32.2	16,579	77.6	1,016	5.8	3,768	17.6
Jan-Mar 2026	17,659	64.2	988	5.3	8,874	32.2	16,675	77.9	960	5.4	3,766	17.6
Change on quarter	120	0.3	-73	-0.4	22	0.0	96	0.3	-56	-0.3	-2	0.0
Change %	0.7		-6.9		0.3		0.6		-5.5		-0.1	
Change on year	175	0.0	125	0.6	-11	-0.4	99	-0.1	132	0.7	-67	-0.5
Change %	1.0		14.5		-0.1		0.6		15.9		-1.7	
Women	MGSB	MGST	MGSE	MGSZ	MGSK	YBTE	LF2H	LF25	LF2J	LF2R	LF2N	LF2T
Jan-Mar 2024	16,181	56.7	694	4.1	11,665	40.9	15,603	71.7	677	4.2	5,485	25.2
Jan-Mar 2025	16,491	57.2	751	4.4	11,591	40.2	15,807	72.0	737	4.5	5,396	24.6
Apr-Jun 2025	16,594	57.4	787	4.5	11,523	39.9	15,884	72.3	773	4.6	5,324	24.2
Jul-Sep 2025	16,660	57.5	787	4.5	11,523	39.8	15,956	72.5	769	4.6	5,290	24.0
Oct-Dec 2025	16,705	57.5	822	4.7	11,506	39.6	15,961	72.4	811	4.8	5,274	23.9
Jan-Mar 2026	16,733	57.5	818	4.7	11,546	39.7	15,939	72.2	802	4.8	5,337	24.2
Change on quarter	28	0.0	-4	0.0	40	0.1	-22	-0.2	-9	0.0	62	0.2
Change %	0.2		-0.5		0.3		-0.1		-1.1		1.2	
Change on year	242	0.3	67	0.3	-44	-0.5	132	0.1	65	0.3	-60	-0.4
Change %	1.5		9.0		-0.4		0.8		8.9		-1.1	
	Aged 16-17						Aged 18-24					
	Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity		Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate
People	YBTO	YBUA	YBVH	YBVK	YCAS	LWEX	YBTR	YBUD	YBVN	YBVQ	YCAV	LWFA
Jan-Mar 2024	353	22.3	132	27.3	1,095	69.3	3,330	58.5	428	11.4	1,930	33.9
Jan-Mar 2025	325	20.0	119	26.7	1,178	72.6	3,429	59.4	501	12.8	1,846	32.0
Apr-Jun 2025	337	20.7	155	31.6	1,137	69.8	3,513	60.6	479	12.0	1,807	31.2
Jul-Sep 2025	330	20.2	185	36.0	1,117	68.4	3,563	61.2	517	12.7	1,745	30.0
Oct-Dec 2025	314	19.2	164	34.2	1,155	70.7	3,523	60.2	575	14.0	1,752	29.9
Jan-Mar 2026	329	20.1	137	29.5	1,168	71.5	3,444	58.6	592	14.7	1,840	31.3
Change on quarter	14	0.9	-26	-4.8	13	0.7	-79	-1.6	17	0.6	88	1.4
Change %	4.6		-16.1		1.1		-2.3		2.9		5.1	
Change on year	4	0.1	19	2.7	-10	-1.2	15	-0.8	91	1.9	-6	-0.6
Change %	1.1		15.8		-0.8		0.4		18.1		-0.3	
Men	YBTP	YBUB	YBVI	YBVL	YCAT	LWEY	YBTS	YBUE	YBVO	YBVR	YCAW	LWFB
Jan-Mar 2024	160	19.8	62	27.8	588	72.6	1,677	57.9	276	14.1	942	32.5
Jan-Mar 2025	145	17.5	68	31.9	618	74.4	1,783	60.5	281	13.6	884	30.0
Apr-Jun 2025	154	18.4	84	35.2	597	71.5	1,810	61.1	272	13.1	878	29.7
Jul-Sep 2025	151	18.1	98	39.3	587	70.3	1,800	60.5	319	15.1	855	28.7
Oct-Dec 2025	138	16.5	84	37.8	615	73.5	1,791	59.9	367	17.0	831	27.8
Jan-Mar 2026	149	17.8	78	34.2	610	72.9	1,749	58.2	365	17.3	890	29.6
Change on quarter	11	1.3	-6	-3.6	-5	-0.6	-42	-1.7	-2	0.2	59	1.8
Change %	8.2		-7.3		-0.8		-2.3		-0.6		7.0	
Change on year	4	0.4	10	2.4	-8	-1.5	-34	-2.3	85	3.7	6	-0.4
Change %	2.9		14.6		-1.3		-1.9		30.1		0.7	
Women	YBTQ	YBUC	YBVJ	YBVM	YCAU	LWEZ	YBTT	YBUF	YBVP	YBVS	YCAX	LWFC
Jan-Mar 2024	193	25.0	71	26.8	507	65.8	1,653	59.2	152	8.4	988	35.4
Jan-Mar 2025	180	22.8	51	22.0	560	70.8	1,646	58.2	221	11.8	962	34.0
Apr-Jun 2025	183	23.0	72	28.1	540	67.9	1,703	60.0	207	10.8	929	32.7
Jul-Sep 2025	179	22.4	88	33.0	530	66.5	1,762	61.8	197	10.1	890	31.2
Oct-Dec 2025	176	22.1	80	31.2	541	67.9	1,733	60.6	208	10.7	921	32.2
Jan-Mar 2026	179	22.5	60	24.9	558	70.0	1,695	59.0	227	11.8	950	33.1
Change on quarter	3	0.4	-20	-6.2	17	2.2	-38	-1.6	19	1.1	30	0.9
Change %	1.8		-25.3		3.2		-2.2		9.2		3.3	
Change on year	-1	-0.3	9	2.9	-2	-0.8	48	0.8	6	0.0	-12	-0.9
Change %	-0.3		17.4		-0.4		2.9		2.8		-1.2	

Source: Labour Force Survey

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3 Full-time, part-time and temporary workers

United Kingdom (thousands of people aged 16 and over)
seasonally adjusted

People	All in employment				Full-time and part-time workers ¹								
	Total	Employees	Self-employed	Unpaid family workers	Government supported training & employment programmes ²	Total people working full-time	total people working part-time	Employees working full-time	Employees working part-time	Self-employed people working full-time	Self-employed people working part-time	Total Workers with second jobs	
													1
Jan-Mar 2024	33,335	28,935	4,288	76	36	25,103	8,232	22,173	6,761	2,892	1,396	1,198	
Jan-Mar 2025	33,975	29,381	4,396	134	64	25,409	8,567	22,381	7,001	2,947	1,449	1,317	
Apr-Jun 2025	34,214	29,642	4,407	112	53	25,624	8,590	22,619	7,024	2,945	1,462	1,321	
Jul-Sep 2025	34,192	29,629	4,391	108	65	25,567	8,625	22,564	7,065	2,923	1,467	1,329	
Oct-Dec 2025	34,244	29,684	4,378	116	66	25,499	8,745	22,551	7,132	2,880	1,498	1,287	
Jan-Mar 2026	34,392	29,630	4,568	136	57	25,642	8,750	22,603	7,027	2,985	1,583	1,275	
Change on quarter	148	-53	191	20	-9	143	5	52	-105	105	86	-11	
Change %	0.4	-0.2	4.4	16.9	-13.3	0.6	0.1	0.2	-1.5	3.6	5.7	-0.9	
Change on year	416	249	172	2	-6	233	183	222	26	38	134	-42	
Change %	1.2	0.8	3.9	1.2	-9.8	0.9	2.1	1.0	0.4	1.3	9.3	-3.2	
Men		MGRO	MGRR	MGRU	MGRX	YCBF	YCBJ	YCBL	YCBO	YCBR	YCBU	YCBX	
Jan-Mar 2024	17,155	14,385	2,695	46	29	14,819	2,336	12,657	1,728	2,132	562	508	
Jan-Mar 2025	17,485	14,545	2,818	80	42	14,946	2,538	12,687	1,858	2,202	616	567	
Apr-Jun 2025	17,620	14,711	2,826	51	32	15,066	2,554	12,827	1,884	2,200	626	579	
Jul-Sep 2025	17,533	14,642	2,796	58	37	15,055	2,478	12,819	1,823	2,188	608	590	
Oct-Dec 2025	17,539	14,714	2,741	56	29	15,011	2,528	12,836	1,877	2,141	600	591	
Jan-Mar 2026	17,659	14,757	2,808	61	32	15,107	2,552	12,892	1,865	2,184	625	574	
Change on quarter	120	44	67	5	4	96	24	56	-12	42	25	-16	
Change %	0.7	0.3	2.5	9.5	12.2	0.6	0.9	0.4	-0.6	2.0	4.2	-2.8	
Change on year	175	212	-10	-18	-10	161	14	205	7	-18	8	7	
Change %	1.0	1.5	-0.3	-23.2	-22.8	1.1	0.5	1.6	0.4	-0.8	1.4	1.3	
Women		MGRP	MGRS	MGRV	MGRY	YCBG	YCBH	YCBM	YCBN	YCBS	YCBV	YCBY	
Jan-Mar 2024	16,181	14,550	1,593	30	8	10,284	5,896	9,517	5,033	759	834	690	
Jan-Mar 2025	16,491	14,836	1,578	55	22	10,463	6,028	9,694	5,142	746	833	750	
Apr-Jun 2025	16,594	14,931	1,581	60	21	10,558	6,036	9,792	5,139	744	837	743	
Jul-Sep 2025	16,660	14,987	1,595	50	28	10,512	6,147	9,746	5,242	735	860	739	
Oct-Dec 2025	16,705	14,970	1,637	60	37	10,488	6,217	9,715	5,255	739	898	696	
Jan-Mar 2026	16,733	14,873	1,760	75	25	10,535	6,197	9,711	5,162	801	959	701	
Change on quarter	28	-97	123	14	-12	47	-19	-4	-93	62	61	5	
Change %	0.2	-0.6	7.5	23.8	-32.9	0.5	-0.3	0.0	-1.8	8.5	6.8	0.7	
Change on year	242	37	182	20	3	73	169	17	19	56	126	-49	
Change %	1.5	0.2	11.5	36.8	14.8	0.7	2.8	0.2	0.4	7.5	15.1	-6.6	
	Temporary employees (reasons for temporary working)						Part-time workers (reasons for working part-time) ³						
	Total	% of all employees	Could not find permanent job	% that could not find permanent job	Did not want permanent job	Had a contract with period of training	Some other reason	Total ⁴	Could not find full-time job	% that could not find full-time job	Did not want full-time job	Ill or disabled	Student or at school
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
People	YCBZ	YCCC	YCCF	YCCI	YCCL	YCCO	YCCR	YCCU	YCCX	YCDA	YCDD	YCDG	YCDJ
Jan-Mar 2024	1,454	5.0	307	21.1	391	202	553	8,158	787	9.6	5,861	322	1,132
Jan-Mar 2025	1,562	5.3	385	24.6	436	133	608	8,450	881	10.4	5,841	470	1,214
Apr-Jun 2025	1,579	5.3	378	24.0	442	156	603	8,486	904	10.7	5,827	464	1,236
Jul-Sep 2025	1,624	5.5	393	24.2	444	165	622	8,532	867	10.2	5,899	461	1,243
Oct-Dec 2025	1,648	5.6	391	23.7	414	173	670	8,630	857	9.9	5,963	464	1,290
Jan-Mar 2026	1,618	5.5	370	22.9	442	174	632	8,610	885	10.3	5,894	480	1,300
Change on quarter	-30	-0.1	-21	-0.9	28	1	-38	-19	28	0.3	-69	16	9
Change %	-1.8	-0.1	-5.4	-3.9	6.8	0.5	-5.6	-0.2	3.3	0.3	-1.2	3.4	0.7
Change on year	56	0.1	-15	-1.8	6	41	24	161	4	-0.1	52	10	86
Change %	3.6	0.1	-3.9	-1.4	31.2	3.9	1.9	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.9	2.1	7.1
Men	YCCA	YCCD	YCCG	YCCJ	YCCM	YCCP	YCCS	YCCV	YCCY	YCDB	YCDE	YCDH	YCDK
Jan-Mar 2024	717	5.0	167	23.3	166	113	270	2,291	362	15.8	1,315	122	468
Jan-Mar 2025	703	4.8	189	26.9	175	68	270	2,475	389	15.7	1,374	177	516
Apr-Jun 2025	743	5.1	198	26.6	171	96	279	2,510	378	15.1	1,416	184	512
Jul-Sep 2025	764	5.2	192	25.2	198	85	289	2,430	349	14.4	1,390	162	506
Oct-Dec 2025	775	5.3	192	24.8	189	83	311	2,477	350	14.1	1,411	159	536
Jan-Mar 2026	748	5.1	188	25.1	192	85	284	2,490	375	15.1	1,384	175	548
Change on quarter	-27	-0.2	-5	-0.3	2	2	-27	13	25	0.9	-27	16	12
Change %	-3.5	-0.2	-2.4	-1.1	2.7	0.8	-8.7	0.5	7.1	0.6	-1.9	9.9	2.2
Change on year	45	0.2	-1	-1.8	16	16	13	15	-14	-0.6	10	-2	32
Change %	6.4	0.2	-0.7	-1.4	9.4	23.9	4.9	0.6	-3.5	-0.4	0.7	-1.2	6.3
Women	YCCB	YCCE	YCCH	YCCK	YCCN	YCCQ	YCCT	YCCW	YCCZ	YCDC	YCDF	YCDI	YCDL
Jan-Mar 2024	737	5.1	140	19.1	224	89	283	5,867	425	7.2	4,545	201	664
Jan-Mar 2025	859	5.8	196	22.8	261	64	338	5,975	492	8.2	4,467	293	698
Apr-Jun 2025	835	5.6	181	21.6	271	60	323	5,976	526	8.8	4,411	280	724
Jul-Sep 2025	859	5.7	200	23.3	246	80	333	6,101	518	8.5	4,509	300	738
Oct-Dec 2025	873	5.8	198	22.7	224	91	359	6,153	506	8.2	4,551	305	754
Jan-Mar 2026	871	5.9	182	20.9	250	90	348	6,120	510	8.3	4,509	305	752
Change on quarter	-2	0.0	-16	-1.8	26	-1	-11	-33	3	0.1	-42	0	-2
Change %	-0.3	0.0	-8.2	-1.6	11.6	-1.6	-3.0	-5.5	0.7	0.1	-9.3	0.0	-0.3
Change on year	12	0.1	-14	-1.9	-10	25	11	145	18	0.1	42	12	54
Change %	1.4	0.1	-7.0	-1.4	-4.0	38.9	3.2	2.4	3.6	0.1	9.3	4.1	7.7

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Note: When comparing quarterly changes ONS recommends comparing with the previous non-overlapping 3-month average time period (eg, compare Apr-Jun with Jan-Mar, not with Mar-May).

- The split between full-time and part-time employment is based on respondents' self-classification.
- This series does not include all people on these programmes; it only includes those engaging in any form of work, work experience or work-related training.
- These series cover Employees and Self-employed only. These series include some temporary employees.
- The total includes those who did not give a reason for working part-time and it therefore does not equal the sum of the other columns in this section of the table.

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4 Public and private sector employment

United Kingdom (thousands of people aged 16 and over), seasonally adjusted

	Public sector		Private sector ¹		Total employment ²	Public sector excluding effects of major reclassifications (See Explanatory note at bottom of table)		Private sector excluding effects of major reclassifications (See Explanatory note at bottom of table)	
	(000s)	(%)	(000s)	(%)		(000s)	(%)	(000s)	(%)
	1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2	G7GO	MFY7	MFY9	MFZ2	MFY5
Sep 23	6,055	18.1	27,316	81.9	33,371	5,778	17.3	27,593	82.7
Dec 23	6,089	18.3	27,225	81.7	33,314	5,808	17.4	27,506	82.6
Mar 24	6,116	18.3	27,228	81.7	33,344	5,838	17.5	27,506	82.5
Jun 24	6,096	18.1	27,493	81.9	33,589	5,858	17.4	27,731	82.6
Sep 24	6,122	18.1	27,656	81.9	33,778	5,883	17.4	27,895	82.6
Dec 24	6,146 r	18.1	27,776 r	81.9	33,922	5,901 r	17.4	28,021 r	82.6
Mar 25	6,154	18.1	27,857	81.9	34,011	5,912	17.4	28,099	82.6
Jun 25	6,177	18.0	28,066	82.0	34,243	5,931	17.3	28,312	82.7
Sep 25	6,183 r	18.1	28,043 r	81.9	34,226	5,937 r	17.3 r	28,289 r	82.7 r
Dec 25	6,189	18.0	28,121	82	34,310	5,938	17.3	28,372	82.7
Change on quarter	6	-0.1	78	0.1	84	1	0.0	83	0.0
Change %	0.1	-	0.3	-	0.2	0.0	-	0.3	-
Change on year	43	-0.1	345	0.1	388	37	-0.1	351	0.1
Change %	0.7	-	1.2	-	1.1	0.6	-	1.3	-

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Source: Labour Force Survey (LFS) and returns from public sector organisations

Relationship between columns: 2 = 1/5*100; 3 = 5-1; 4 = 3/5*100, 5=6+8

See footnotes under table 4(1)

4(1) Public sector employment by industry

United Kingdom (thousands of people aged 16 and over), seasonally adjusted

	Construction	HM Forces ³	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Of which: Civil Service ⁴	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work	Other (including financial corporations)	Total public sector employment ⁵
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7D6	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM	G7AU
Sep 23	34	150	281	1,184	529	1,657	1,984	209	559	6,055
Dec 23	34	149	281	1,195	535	1,657	2,004	208	561	6,089
Mar 24	35	149	282	1,208	544	1,655	2,017	206	564	6,116
Jun 24	35	147	282	1,216	546	1,652	2,027	205	528	6,096
Sep 24	35	148	282	1,221	548	1,664	2,041	205	530	6,122
Dec 24	35	147	282	1,230	548	1,662 r	2,053 r	204	532 r	6,146 r
Mar 25	36	148	282	1,236	550	1,662	2,061	204	527	6,154
Jun 25	35	147	281	1,240	551	1,664	2,069	203	535	6,177
Sep 25	35	148	280 r	1,249 r	554	1,665 r	2,069	201	538	6,183 r
Dec 25	35	148	280	1,253	555	1,659	2,070	202	541	6,189
Change on quarter	0	0	0	4	1	-6	1	1	3	6
Change %	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.5	0.6	0.1
Change on year	0	1	-2	23	7	-3	17	-2	9	43
Change %	0.0	0.7	-0.7	1.9	1.3	-0.2	0.8	-1.0	1.7	0.7

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Source: returns from public sector organisations

Explanatory Note: 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:

- Bradford and Bingley in the public sector September 2008 to present.
- Direct Line Group in the public sector December 2008 to June 2013.
- English further education colleges in the public sector 1993 to present.
- English sixth form college corporations in the public sector 1993 to present.
- Housing associations in England in the public sector September 2008 to September 2017.
- Housing associations in Northern Ireland in the public sector March 1999 to June 2020.
- Housing associations in Scotland in the public sector September 2001 to June 2018.
- Housing associations in Wales in the public sector March 1999 to March 2018.
- Lloyds Banking Group plc in the public sector December 2008 to December 2013.
- Network Rail in the public sector December 2002 to present (except June 2003 to March 2004 when it is in the private sector).
- Northern Rock in the public sector December 2007 to December 2011.
- Royal Bank of Scotland plc, NatWest Group in the public sector December 2008 to March 2024.
- Royal Mail plc in the public sector until September 2013.
- Train operating companies in England and Scotland in the public sector June 2020 to present.
- Transport for Wales Rail Services in the public sector June 2020 to present.
- Welsh further education colleges in the public sector 1993 to December 2014.

The series shown at Table 4 (in columns 6 to 9) 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 and excluded from the public sector for all time periods. When using figures from this table, the latest estimate of the number of people employed in the public and private sectors should be taken from columns 1 and 3 respectively. However the quarterly and annual changes in employment shown in these columns are affected by reclassifications. Figures from columns 6 and 8 should be used for assessments of the recent underlying changes in public and private sector employment. The changes in employment shown in these columns are measured on a consistent basis to remove the effect of major reclassifications.

1. Estimated as the difference between LFS total employment and the data from public sector organisations.
2. LFS employment data for March refer to February-April, June refers to May-July, September refers to August-October and December refers to November-January.
3. This series excludes locally engaged staff stationed outside the United Kingdom.
4. This series excludes the Northern Ireland Civil Service.
5. This series may not exactly equal the sum of the components because each component is independently seasonally adjusted.

More detailed estimates are available in the Public Sector Employment Statistical Bulletin at:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/publicsectorpersonnel/bulletins/publicsectoremployment/latest>

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5 Workforce jobs

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted				
	Workforce jobs	Employee jobs	Self-employment jobs ¹	HM Forces	Government-supported trainees ¹
	1	2	3	4	5
	DYDC	BCAJ	DYZN	LOJX	LOJU
Dec 23	36,470	32,144	4,137	151	38
Mar 24	36,711	32,203	4,329	148	31
Jun 24	36,635	32,216	4,236	149	34
Sep 24	36,672	32,216	4,266	148	42
Dec 24	36,829	32,348	4,279	147	55
Mar 25	36,931	32,388	4,342	148	53
Jun 25	36,673	32,306	4,186	147	34
Sep 25 (f)	36,530	32,263	4,065	148	54
Dec 25 (p)	36,563	32,323	4,037	148	54
Change on quarter	33	60	-28	0	0
Change %	0.1	0.2	-0.7	0.6	0.2
Change on year	-266	-25	-242	1	-1
Change %	-0.7	-0.1	-5.6	0.8	-2.0

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

See footnotes under table 6

6 Workforce jobs by industry

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

SIC 2007 sections	All jobs A-T	Agriculture, forestry & fishing A	Mining & quarrying B	Manufacturing C	Electricity, gas, steam & air conditioning supply D	Water supply, sewerage, waste & remediation activities E	Construction F	Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles G	Transport & storage H	Accommodation & food service activities I	Information & communication J											
												Financial & insurance activities K	Real estate activities L	Professional, scientific & technical activities M	Administrative & support service activities N	Public admin & defence; compulsory social security ² O	Education P	Human health & social work activities Q	Arts, entertainment & recreation R	Other service activities S	People employed by households, etc. T	Total services G-T
Dec 23	36,470	401	52	2,583	131	239	2,230	4,779	1,899	2,632	1,628											
Mar 24	36,711	371	51	2,567	133	244	2,265	4,761	1,906	2,634	1,622											
Jun 24	36,635	350	54	2,555	136	241	2,203	4,751	1,896	2,616	1,625											
Sep 24	36,672	355	52	2,557	142	242	2,285	4,722	1,898	2,628	1,657											
Dec 24	36,829	358	54	2,576	142	247	2,295	4,713	1,919	2,618	1,668											
Mar 25	36,931	348	57	2,563	143	245	2,313	4,715	1,911	2,591	1,635											
Jun 25	36,673	358	50	2,524	146	240	2,268	4,657	1,904	2,629	1,600											
Sep 25 (f)	36,530	360	51	2,509	143	240	2,233	4,630	1,905	2,615	1,599											
Dec 25 (p)	36,563	337	52	2,524	146	242	2,297	4,645	1,894	2,618	1,591											
Change on quarter	33	-43	1	14	3	2	65	15	-12	4	-8											
Change %	0.1	-11.4	1.9	0.6	2.0	0.7	2.9	0.3	-0.6	0.1	-0.5											
Change on year	-266	-21	-2	-53	4	-5	2	-68	-25	0	-77											
Change %	-0.7	-5.8	-3.8	-2.0	3.1	-2.2	0.1	-1.5	-1.3	0.0	-4.6											
Dec 23	1,155	697	3,388	3,011	1,690	3,069	4,864	1,068	902	53	30,835											
Mar 24	1,143	698	3,467	2,994	1,705	3,076	4,939	1,088	976	70	31,079											
Jun 24	1,147	710	3,481	3,008	1,721	3,069	5,002	1,070	937	64	31,095											
Sep 24	1,151	689	3,503	2,984	1,724	3,075	4,987	1,038	943	38	31,039											
Dec 24	1,176	719	3,484	2,995	1,733	3,054	5,001	1,056	974	47	31,158											
Mar 25	1,141	727	3,469	3,017	1,742	3,118	5,066	1,080	992	61	31,263											
Jun 25	1,139	703	3,453	2,987	1,757	3,113	5,048	1,058	983	56	31,088											
Sep 25 (f)	1,110	717	3,454	2,944	1,762	3,122	5,018	1,081	958	59	30,974											
Dec 25 (p)	1,098	724	3,439	2,986	1,774	3,098	5,030	1,076	948	46	30,966											
Change on quarter	-12	6	-15	42	12	-24	13	-6	-9	-13	-8											
Change %	-1.1	0.9	-0.4	1.4	0.7	-0.8	0.3	-0.5	-1.0	-22.4	0.0											
Change on year	-78	4	-45	-9	41	43	29	20	-25	-1	-192											
Change %	-6.6	0.6	-1.3	-0.3	2.3	1.4	0.6	1.9	-2.6	-3.2	-0.6											

Workforce jobs enquiries 01633 455400

Sources: Employer surveys, Labour Force Survey and administrative sources

1. Workforce Jobs figures are a measure of jobs rather than people. For this reason estimates of self-employment jobs and government supported trainee jobs differ from estimates of people in self-employment and in government supported training and employment programmes shown at Table 3. The estimates for government supported trainees shown in this table exclude trainees with contracts of employment as such people are included in the estimates of employee jobs.

2. This series is not exclusively a public sector series as it includes some private sector jobs. See table 4 for estimates of public and private sector employment.

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7 Actual weekly hours worked

United Kingdom (hours worked by people aged 16 and over), seasonally adjusted

	Average (mean) actual weekly hours worked				
	Total weekly hours (millions) ^{1,2}	All workers ¹	Full-time workers ³	Part-time workers ³	Second Jobs
People	YBUS	YBUV	YBUY	YBVB	YBVE
Jan-Mar 2024	1,066.4	32.0	36.6	16.6	10.0
Jan-Mar 2025	1,082.1	31.8	36.5	16.5	9.4
Apr-Jun 2025	1,092.6	31.9	36.6	16.6	9.4
Jul-Sep 2025	1,086.2	31.8	36.5	16.5	9.6
Oct-Dec 2025	1,093.1	31.9	36.7	16.6	9.6
Jan-Mar 2026	1,089.7	31.7	36.4	16.4	10.2
<i>Change on quarter</i>	-3.4	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.5
<i>Change %</i>	-0.3	-0.7	-0.9	-1.5	5.6
<i>Change on year</i>	7.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.8
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	-0.5	-0.3	-0.7	8.6
Men	YBUT	YBUW	YBUZ	YBVC	YBVF
Jan-Mar 2024	606.7	35.4	38.1	16.1	11.8
Jan-Mar 2025	614.9	35.2	38.0	16.0	10.0
Apr-Jun 2025	620.0	35.2	38.1	16.1	10.0
Jul-Sep 2025	617.5	35.2	38.1	16.1	10.6
Oct-Dec 2025	619.2	35.3	38.2	16.2	10.3
Jan-Mar 2026	619.2	35.1	37.9	16.1	11.1
<i>Change on quarter</i>	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.8
<i>Change %</i>	0.0	-0.7	-0.8	-0.4	7.5
<i>Change on year</i>	4.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	1.1
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	-0.3	-0.4	0.3	11.1
Women	YBUU	YBUX	YBVA	YBVD	YBVG
Jan-Mar 2024	459.7	28.4	34.5	16.9	8.7
Jan-Mar 2025	467.2	28.3	34.4	16.7	8.9
Apr-Jun 2025	472.6	28.5	34.4	16.8	9.0
Jul-Sep 2025	468.7	28.1	34.2	16.7	8.9
Oct-Dec 2025	473.9	28.4	34.7	16.8	9.0
Jan-Mar 2026	470.5	28.1	34.3	16.5	9.4
<i>Change on quarter</i>	-3.4	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	0.4
<i>Change %</i>	-0.7	-0.9	-1.1	-1.9	4.0
<i>Change on year</i>	3.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.5
<i>Change %</i>	0.7	-0.7	-0.2	-1.2	5.9

Source: Labour Force Survey

1. Main and second job

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

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

Labour market statistics enquiries: labour.market@ons.gov.uk

7 (1) Usual weekly hours of work¹

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	All in Employment (%)			Employees (%)			Self-Employed (%)		
	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women
Jan-Mar 2025									
Less than 6 Hours	1.5	1.1	1.9	0.9	0.7	1.1	4.8	2.9	8.0
6 up to 15 hours	6.0	3.8	8.4	5.2	3.1	7.3	10.4	6.2	18.0
16 up to 30 hours	18.9	11.0	27.4	18.1	9.6	26.5	24.2	17.7	35.7
31 up to 45 hours	59.5	65.0	53.7	62.7	68.8	56.7	39.8	46.6	27.5
Over 45 hours	14.0	19.1	8.6	13.0	17.7	8.4	20.9	26.6	10.7
Total (thousands)	33,975	17,485	16,491	29,381	14,545	14,836	4,396	2,818	1,578
Oct-Dec 2025									
Less than 6 Hours	1.5	1.1	1.9	0.9	0.7	1.2	4.3	2.6	7.2
6 up to 15 hours	6.2	3.9	8.6	5.5	3.4	7.6	10.7	6.5	17.9
16 up to 30 hours	18.4	10.4	26.8	17.5	9.0	25.9	24.6	18.2	35.3
31 up to 45 hours	59.7	65.1	54.1	62.7	68.7	56.9	39.7	46.4	28.4
Over 45 hours	14.2	19.5	8.7	13.3	18.3	8.4	20.6	26.3	11.2
Total (thousands)	34,244	17,539	16,705	29,684	14,714	14,970	4,378	2,741	1,637
Jan-Mar 2026									
Less than 6 Hours	1.5	1.1	1.9	0.9	0.6	1.1	4.3	3.0	6.3
6 up to 15 hours	6.3	4.0	8.7	5.4	3.3	7.5	11.0	6.7	17.9
16 up to 30 hours	18.3	10.3	26.8	17.4	8.7	25.9	24.8	18.0	35.6
31 up to 45 hours	60.1	65.7	54.2	63.4	69.8	57.2	39.9	45.8	30.5
Over 45 hours	13.8	18.9	8.4	12.9	17.6	8.3	20.1	26.6	9.7
Total (thousands)	34,392	17,659	16,733	29,630	14,757	14,873	4,568	2,808	1,760

¹ Total usual weekly hours worked by people aged 16 and over in main job including paid and unpaid overtime.

Source: Labour Force Survey

Labour market statistics enquiries: labour.market@ons.gov.uk

Employment by country of birth and nationality

The temporary RTI adjustment applied from January to March 2020 to June to August 2022 was removed from the LFS weighting methodology as part of the reweighting exercise in December 2024, as described in our [Impact of reweighting on LFS key indicators: December 2024 article](#).

Due to quality concerns during the pandemic period (as explained in more detail in our [A12 dataset](#)), we have removed the labour market status by country of birth and nationality from our A01 dataset and from tables accompanying our Labour market overview and Employment in the UK bulletins. The country of birth and nationality labour market data will also be withdrawn from our time series data.

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[EMP06 Dataset](#)

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[A12 Dataset](#)

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9(1) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	All aged 16 & over							All aged 16 - 64								
	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
People			YBWF	YBWG	YBWH	YBWI	YBWL			LF2Y	LF32	LF34	LF36	LF38		
Jan-Mar 2024	1,513	4.3	938	234	341	22.6	167	1,471	4.4	916	231	325	22.1	161		
Jan-Mar 2025	1,614	4.5	993	270	352	21.8	173	1,566	4.6	976	264	325	20.8	165		
Apr-Jun 2025	1,672	4.7	973	322	378	22.6	161	1,627	4.8	961	314	352	21.7	150		
Jul-Sep 2025	1,789	5.0	1,039	299	451	25.2	182	1,737	5.1	1,013	288	436	25.1	171		
Oct-Dec 2025	1,883	5.2	1,060	356	467	24.8	196	1,828	5.3	1,024	338	465	25.4	183		
Jan-Mar 2026	1,806	5.0	1,000	332	474	26.2	219	1,763	5.1	989	326	448	25.4	208		
Change on quarter	-77	-0.2	-61	-24	7	1.5	23	-65	-0.2	-35	-13	-17	0.0	24		
Change %	-4.1		-5.7	-6.6	1.5		11.9	-3.6		-3.4	-3.8	-3.7		13.3		
Change on year	192	0.5	7	63	122	4.4	46	197	0.5	13	62	123	4.6	43		
Change %	11.9		0.7	23.3	34.8		26.3	12.6		1.3	23.3	37.7		25.8		
Men			MGYK	MGYM	MGYO	YBWJ	YBWM			YBWP	YBWS	YBVV	YBWW	YBXB		
Jan-Mar 2024	819	4.6	457	129	234	28.6	120	794	4.7	446	126	222	28.0	118		
Jan-Mar 2025	863	4.7	513	141	209	24.3	105	829	4.8	503	135	191	23.0	100		
Apr-Jun 2025	886	4.8	472	180	234	26.4	104	854	4.9	464	172	218	25.5	95		
Jul-Sep 2025	1,002	5.4	539	190	273	27.3	121	968	5.5	520	179	288	27.7	114		
Oct-Dec 2025	1,061	5.7	562	199	300	28.3	128	1,016	5.8	537	184	295	29.1	118		
Jan-Mar 2026	988	5.3	544	170	274	27.7	131	960	5.4	537	167	255	26.6	122		
Change on quarter	-73	-0.4	-17	-29	-26	-0.6	3	-56	-0.3	1	-17	-40	-2.4	4		
Change %	-6.9		-3.1	-14.6	-8.8		2.3	-5.5		0.1	-9.2	-13.5		3.0		
Change on year	125	0.6	31	29	64	3.5	25	132	0.7	35	32	65	3.6	22		
Change %	14.5		6.0	20.9	30.7		24.2	15.9		6.9	23.8	33.8		21.8		
Women			MGYL	MGYN	MGYP	YBWK	YBWN			LF2Z	LF33	LF35	LF37	LF39		
Jan-Mar 2024	694	4.1	481	105	107	15.5	47	677	4.2	470	105	102	15.1	43		
Jan-Mar 2025	751	4.4	479	129	142	18.9	68	737	4.5	474	129	134	18.2	65		
Apr-Jun 2025	787	4.5	501	142	144	18.3	57	773	4.6	497	142	135	17.4	55		
Jul-Sep 2025	787	4.5	500	110	177	22.5	60	769	4.6	493	109	168	21.8	57		
Oct-Dec 2025	822	4.7	499	157	167	20.3	68	811	4.8	488	154	170	20.9	65		
Jan-Mar 2026	818	4.7	455	162	200	24.5	88	802	4.8	452	158	192	24.0	86		
Change on quarter	-4	0.0	-43	6	33	4.2	20	-9	0.0	-36	4	23	3.1	21		
Change %	-0.5		-8.6	3.5	20.0		30.1	-1.1		-7.4	2.7	13.4		32.2		
Change on year	67	0.3	-24	33	58	5.5	20	65	0.3	-22	29	58	5.7	21		
Change %	9.0		-5.0	25.9	40.7		29.6	8.9		-4.7	22.8	43.2		32.1		
			16-17							18-24						
	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months		
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
People			YBXD	YBXG	YBXJ	YBXM	YBXP			YBXS	YBXV	YBXY	YBYB	YBYE		
Jan-Mar 2024	132	27.3	106	15	12	8.7	*	428	11.4	258	86	84	19.7	23		
Jan-Mar 2025	119	26.7	79	32	7	6.1	*	501	12.8	324	73	105	20.9	33		
Apr-Jun 2025	155	31.6	107	36	12	7.9	*	479	12.0	292	79	107	22.4	36		
Jul-Sep 2025	185	36.0	138	29	19	10.0	*	517	12.7	307	73	137	26.4	40		
Oct-Dec 2025	164	34.2	107	35	22	13.3	4	575	14.0	358	96	121	21.0	36		
Jan-Mar 2026	137	29.5	89	31	18	13.2	*	592	14.7	352	106	134	22.7	45		
Change on quarter	-26	-4.8	-18	-4	-4	-0.1	*	17	0.6	-6	9	14	1.7	9		
Change %	-16.1		-17.1	-12.6	-16.5		*	2.9		-1.7	9.7	11.2		24.4		
Change on year	19	2.7	10	-2	11	7.1	*	91	1.9	28	33	30	1.8	12		
Change %	15.8		12.2	-5.6	150.7		*	18.1		8.8	44.7	28.5		34.8		
Men			YBXE	YBXH	YBXK	YBXN	YBXQ			YBXT	YBXW	YBZK	YBYC	YBYF		
Jan-Mar 2024	62	27.8	52	6	4	6.6	*	276	14.1	153	50	73	26.3	19		
Jan-Mar 2025	68	31.9	47	17	*	*	*	281	13.6	158	41	82	29.1	23		
Apr-Jun 2025	84	35.2	57	20	6	7.6	*	272	13.1	146	51	75	27.6	24		
Jul-Sep 2025	98	39.3	68	19	10	10.2	*	319	15.1	174	53	92	28.9	29		
Oct-Dec 2025	84	37.8	49	21	14	17.1	3	367	17.0	216	59	93	25.2	24		
Jan-Mar 2026	78	34.2	50	19	9	11.9	*	365	17.3	217	66	83	22.6	25		
Change on quarter	-6	-3.6	1	-2	-5	-5.2	*	-2	0.2	1	7	-10	-2.6	1		
Change %	-7.3		2.5	-10.9	-35.4		*	-0.6		0.3	12.2	-10.8		2.3		
Change on year	10	2.4	3	2	*	*	*	85	3.7	59	25	1	-6.4	1		
Change %	14.6		5.5	12.4			*	30.1		37.2	60.1	1.3		5.7		
Women			YBXF	YBXI	YBXL	YBXO	YBXR			YBXU	YBXX	YBYA	YBYD	YBYG		
Jan-Mar 2024	71	26.8	54	9	7	10.6	*	152	8.4	105	35	12	7.8	*		
Jan-Mar 2025	51	22.0	32	16	*	*	*	221	11.8	166	32	23	10.4	10		
Apr-Jun 2025	72	28.1	50	16	6	8.2	*	207	10.8	146	28	32	15.6	12		
Jul-Sep 2025	88	33.0	70	10	9	9.8	*	197	10.1	133	20	44	22.5	11		
Oct-Dec 2025	80	31.2	58	14	7	9.4	*	208	10.7	142	38	28	13.5	12		
Jan-Mar 2026	60	24.9	39	12	9	15.0	*	227	11.8	135	40	52	22.7	20		
Change on quarter	-20	-6.2	-20	-2	1	5.6	*	19	1.1	-7	2	24	9.2	8		
Change %	-25.3		-33.6	-15.2	19.5		*	9.2		-4.7	5.8	84.0		68.6		
Change on year	9	2.9	7	-4	*	*	*	6	0.0	-30	8	29	12.3	10		
Change %	17.4		22.3	-24.3			*	2.8		-18.3	24.8	125.1		102.3		

Source: Labour Force Survey

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Note: When comparing quarterly changes ONS recommends comparing with the previous non-overlapping 3-month average time period (eg, compare Apr-Jun with Jan-Mar, not with Mar-May).

¹ Denominator = economically active for that age group.

* Sample size too small for reliable estimate.

UNEMPLOYMENT

9(2) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

People	25-49							50 and over										
	All		Rate(%) ¹		Up to 6 months		All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All		Rate(%) ¹		Up to 6 months		All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6				7	8	9	10	11	12			
	MGVI	MGXB	YBYH	YBYK	YBYN	YBYO	YBYT	YBVT	YBVW	YBYW	YBYZ	YBZC	YBZF	YBZI				
Jan-Mar 2024	654	3.4	418	77	158	24.2	82	299	2.7	156	56	87	29.1	62				
Jan-Mar 2025	669	3.4	411	108	150	22.4	83	325	2.9	179	57	90	27.7	56				
Apr-Jun 2025	686	3.4	392	143	151	22.0	73	353	3.1	181	64	107	30.4	51				
Jul-Sep 2025	728	3.7	414	126	187	25.7	78	359	3.1	180	71	108	30.1	62				
Oct-Dec 2025	764	3.8	406	149	209	27.4	88	380	3.3	189	75	115	30.3	68				
Jan-Mar 2026	734	3.7	391	139	204	27.8	95	342	2.9	168	57	117	34.2	76				
Change on quarter	-30	-0.2	-15	-10	-5	0.4	7	-38	-0.3	-21	-19	2	4.0	8				
Change %	-3.9		-3.7	-6.6	-2.4		8.5	-9.9		-11.1	-24.8	2.0		11.2				
Change on year	66	0.3	-21	32	54	5.4	12	17	0.1	-11	0	27	6.6	21				
Change %	9.8		-5.0	29.6	36.3		14.9	5.2		-5.9	0.4	30.2		36.9				
Men	YBYF	MGXC	YBYI	YBYL	YBYO	YBYR	YBYU	YBYU	YBVX	YBYX	YBZA	YBZD	YBZG	YBZJ				
Jan-Mar 2024	299	3.0	159	35	105	35.0	67	183	3.1	93	37	53	28.8	35				
Jan-Mar 2025	318	3.2	201	46	72	22.5	47	196	3.3	107	37	52	26.5	35				
Apr-Jun 2025	320	3.2	170	72	79	24.6	43	209	3.5	99	37	74	35.1	36				
Jul-Sep 2025	377	3.7	202	75	100	26.5	50	208	3.4	95	42	71	34.2	43				
Oct-Dec 2025	389	3.8	197	74	119	30.5	52	220	3.6	100	46	74	33.8	48				
Jan-Mar 2026	356	3.5	188	60	108	30.3	56	189	3.1	90	26	74	39.0	49				
Change on quarter	-34	-0.4	-9	-14	-11	-0.1	4	-31	-0.5	-10	-20	0	5.3	1				
Change %	-8.7		-4.5	-19.2	-9.1		7.8	-14.0		-10.5	-43.4	-0.6		2.3				
Change on year	37	0.3	-13	14	36	7.8	9	-7	-0.1	-17	-12	22	12.6	14				
Change %	11.6		-6.6	31.4	50.2		19.1	-3.5		-16.0	-31.1	42.3		41.4				
Women	YBYG	MGXD	YBYJ	YBYM	YBYP	YBYS	YBYV	YBYV	YBYV	YBYW	YBZB	YBZE	YBZH	YBZK				
Jan-Mar 2024	355	3.7	259	42	54	15.1	15	116	2.2	63	19	34	29.6	27				
Jan-Mar 2025	350	3.6	210	62	78	22.3	36	129	2.4	72	19	38	29.4	21				
Apr-Jun 2025	366	3.7	222	71	72	19.8	29	143	2.6	82	27	34	23.5	15				
Jul-Sep 2025	350	3.6	212	51	87	24.9	28	151	2.8	86	29	37	24.5	19				
Oct-Dec 2025	375	3.8	209	75	91	24.2	36	160	2.9	89	30	40	25.4	20				
Jan-Mar 2026	379	3.9	203	80	96	25.4	39	153	2.7	79	31	43	28.3	27				
Change on quarter	4	0.0	-6	4	6	1.3	3	-7	-0.2	-11	1	3	2.9	7				
Change %	1.0		-3.0	5.8	6.3		9.4	-4.3		-11.9	3.7	6.6		32.1				
Change on year	29	0.3	-7	18	18	3.2	3	24	0.3	7	12	5	-1.2	6				
Change %	8.2		-3.4	28.2	23.5		9.3	18.4		9.2	62.3	13.7		29.4				

Source: Labour Force Survey

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Note: When comparing quarterly changes ONS recommends comparing with the previous non-overlapping 3-month average time period (eg, compare Apr-Jun with Jan-Mar, not with Mar-May).

¹ Denominator = economically active for that age group.

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

10 Economic activity by age

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	All aged & over	16 - 64	16 - 17	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65+
Economically active	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
People	MGSF	LF2K	YBZL	YBZO	YBZR	YBZU	LF3A	LFK8
Jan-Mar 2024	34,849	33,356	485	3,759	7,924	11,540	9,648	1,493
Jan-Mar 2025	35,589	33,949	443	3,931	8,014	11,822	9,739	1,641
Apr-Jun 2025	35,886	34,193	492	3,992	8,033	11,884	9,791	1,694
Jul-Sep 2025	35,981	34,261	515	4,079	8,028	11,845	9,795	1,720
Oct-Dec 2025	36,127	34,368	478	4,099	8,067	11,912	9,813	1,759
Jan-Mar 2026	36,198	34,377	466	4,036	8,105	11,945	9,826	1,820
Change on quarter	71	9	-12	-63	37	34	12	62
Change %	0.2	0.0	-2.5	-1.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	3.5
Change on year	608	429	22	105	91	123	87	180
Change %	1.7	1.3	5.0	2.7	1.1	1.0	0.9	11.0
Men	MGSG	YBSL	YBZM	YBZP	YBZS	YBZV	YBZY	YCAE
Jan-Mar 2024	17,974	17,076	222	1,953	4,047	5,830	5,024	898
Jan-Mar 2025	18,348	17,405	213	2,064	4,112	5,975	5,042	943
Apr-Jun 2025	18,506	17,536	237	2,082	4,145	6,017	5,054	970
Jul-Sep 2025	18,535	17,536	248	2,120	4,140	5,998	5,030	999
Oct-Dec 2025	18,600	17,596	222	2,158	4,139	6,032	5,045	1,004
Jan-Mar 2026	18,647	17,636	227	2,114	4,160	6,104	5,031	1,011
Change on quarter	47	40	5	-44	20	73	-14	7
Change %	0.3	0.2	2.3	-2.0	0.5	1.2	-0.3	0.7
Change on year	299	231	14	51	47	130	-11	68
Change %	1.6	1.3	6.6	2.5	1.2	2.2	-0.2	7.3
Women	MGSH	LF2L	YBZN	YBZQ	YBZT	YBZW	LF3B	LFK9
Jan-Mar 2024	16,875	16,281	264	1,806	3,876	5,710	4,625	594
Jan-Mar 2025	17,242	16,544	231	1,867	3,902	5,848	4,697	698
Apr-Jun 2025	17,380	16,657	255	1,910	3,888	5,867	4,737	723
Jul-Sep 2025	17,446	16,725	267	1,960	3,888	5,847	4,764	721
Oct-Dec 2025	17,527	16,772	256	1,940	3,928	5,880	4,768	754
Jan-Mar 2026	17,551	16,742	239	1,922	3,945	5,841	4,795	809
Change on quarter	24	-31	-17	-19	17	-39	27	55
Change %	0.1	-0.2	-6.7	-1.0	0.4	-0.7	0.6	7.3
Change on year	309	198	8	55	43	-7	98	111
Change %	1.8	1.2	3.6	2.9	1.1	-0.1	2.1	16.0

Economic activity rates (%)

People	MGWG	LF22	YCAG	YCAJ	YCAM	YCAP	LF2C	LFL2
Jan-Mar 2024	62.8	77.9	30.7	66.1	87.1	87.6	72.7	11.8
Jan-Mar 2025	63.5	78.6	27.4	68.0	87.6	88.4	73.5	12.7
Apr-Jun 2025	63.8	79.0	30.2	68.8	87.8	88.5	73.9	13.1
Jul-Sep 2025	63.9	79.0	31.6	70.0	87.7	87.8	74.0	13.2
Oct-Dec 2025	64.0	79.2	29.3	70.1	88.1	87.9	74.2	13.5
Jan-Mar 2026	63.9	79.1	28.5	68.7	88.5	87.8	74.4	13.9
Change on quarter	0.0	-0.1	-0.7	-1.4	0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.4
Change on year	0.5	0.4	1.2	0.6	0.9	-0.6	1.0	1.1
Men	MGWH	MGSP	YCAH	YCAK	YCAN	YCAQ	MGWQ	MGWT
Jan-Mar 2024	66.8	81.2	27.4	67.5	91.0	91.2	77.4	15.3
Jan-Mar 2025	67.4	82.0	25.6	70.0	91.6	92.1	77.8	15.7
Apr-Jun 2025	67.8	82.4	28.5	70.3	92.1	92.4	78.0	16.1
Jul-Sep 2025	67.7	82.2	29.7	71.3	91.9	91.7	77.7	16.5
Oct-Dec 2025	67.8	82.4	26.5	72.2	91.8	91.8	78.1	16.5
Jan-Mar 2026	67.8	82.4	27.1	70.4	92.1	92.6	78.0	16.5
Change on quarter	0.0	0.0	0.6	-1.8	0.4	0.7	-0.1	0.0
Change on year	0.4	0.5	1.5	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.8
Women	MGWI	LF23	YCAI	YCAL	YCAO	YCAR	LF2D	LFL3
Jan-Mar 2024	59.1	74.8	34.2	64.6	83.5	84.2	68.2	8.8
Jan-Mar 2025	59.8	75.4	29.2	66.0	83.9	84.8	69.3	10.1
Apr-Jun 2025	60.1	75.8	32.1	67.3	83.6	84.8	69.9	10.4
Jul-Sep 2025	60.2	76.0	33.5	68.8	83.6	84.1	70.4	10.4
Oct-Dec 2025	60.4	76.1	32.1	67.8	84.5	84.2	70.5	10.8
Jan-Mar 2026	60.3	75.8	30.0	66.9	85.0	83.3	71.0	11.5
Change on quarter	-0.1	-0.2	-2.2	-0.9	0.4	-0.9	0.5	0.7
Change on year	0.5	0.4	0.8	0.9	1.1	-1.6	1.7	1.4

Data source: Labour Force Survey

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

11 Economic inactivity: reasons

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Economic inactivity by reason (aged 16 to 64)										
	Total aged 16-64	Economic inactivity by reason (aged 16 to 64)								Wanting/not wanting a job (aged 16 to 64)	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
People		LF63	LF65	LF67	LF69	LFL8	LF6B	LF6D	LF19	LFM2	
Jan-Mar 2024	9,445	2,535	1,684	209	2,820	26	1,109	1,062	7,700	1,744	
Jan-Mar 2025	9,229	2,457	1,632	178	2,779	32	1,063	1,089	7,248	1,981	
Apr-Jun 2025	9,073	2,336	1,617	202	2,785	26	1,020	1,088	7,059	2,014	
Jul-Sep 2025	9,080	2,304	1,582	190	2,822	43	1,036	1,103	6,981	2,100	
Oct-Dec 2025	9,042	2,421	1,549	210	2,779	32	1,019	1,033	6,959	2,084	
Jan-Mar 2026	9,103	2,460	1,553	195	2,778	30	1,032	1,055	6,966	2,136	
Change on quarter	60	40	4	-15	0	-3	13	22	8	52	
Change %	0.7	1.6	0.2	-7.2	0.0	-7.8	1.3	2.1	0.1	2.5	
Change on year	-126	3	-79	17	-1	-2	-31	-34	-282	155	
Change %	-1.4	0.1	-4.8	9.5	0.0	-7.1	-2.9	-3.1	-3.9	7.8	
Men		BEEB	BEAQ	BEDI	BEDL	YCFP	BEDR	BEDU	YBWA	YBWD	
Jan-Mar 2024	3,960	1,262	280	130	1,289	13	499	486	3,187	773	
Jan-Mar 2025	3,833	1,213	242	102	1,280	15	471	511	2,954	879	
Apr-Jun 2025	3,749	1,169	229	105	1,260	13	466	508	2,866	884	
Jul-Sep 2025	3,790	1,148	221	92	1,338	26	479	485	2,841	949	
Oct-Dec 2025	3,768	1,205	224	102	1,306	23	468	441	2,821	947	
Jan-Mar 2026	3,766	1,218	228	98	1,258	15	485	464	2,797	969	
Change on quarter	-2	13	4	-4	-48	-7	17	23	-24	22	
Change %	-0.1	1.1	1.9	-3.9	-3.7	-32.5	3.6	5.2	-0.8	2.3	
Change on year	-67	5	-14	-3	-22	0	14	-47	-157	90	
Change %	-1.7	0.4	-5.7	-3.2	-1.7	0.1	2.9	-9.2	-5.3	10.2	
Women		LF64	LF66	LF68	LF6A	LFM3	LF6C	LF6E	LFM4	LFM5	
Jan-Mar 2024	5,485	1,273	1,403	79	1,531	13	610	576	4,514	971	
Jan-Mar 2025	5,396	1,244	1,390	76	1,499	17	592	578	4,294	1,102	
Apr-Jun 2025	5,324	1,167	1,388	97	1,525	13	554	579	4,193	1,131	
Jul-Sep 2025	5,290	1,156	1,361	98	1,484	17	557	617	4,140	1,150	
Oct-Dec 2025	5,274	1,215	1,325	107	1,473	10	551	592	4,138	1,137	
Jan-Mar 2026	5,337	1,242	1,324	96	1,521	14	548	591	4,169	1,167	
Change on quarter	62	27	-1	-11	48	5	-4	-1	32	31	
Change %	1.2	2.2	0.0	-10.3	3.2	50.8	-0.7	-0.2	0.8	2.7	
Change on year	-60	-2	-65	20	22	-2	-45	13	-125	65	
Change %	-1.1	-0.2	-4.7	26.4	1.4	-13.7	-7.6	2.3	-2.9	5.9	
Percentage of economically inactive aged from 16 to 64 (%)											
People	LF6V	LF6X	LF6Z	LF73	LF75	LF77	LF79	LF7B	LF7D	LF7F	
Jan-Mar 2024	100.0	26.8	17.8	2.2	29.9	0.3	11.7	11.2	81.5	18.5	
Jan-Mar 2025	100.0	26.6	17.7	1.9	30.1	0.3	11.5	11.8	78.5	21.5	
Apr-Jun 2025	100.0	25.8	17.8	2.2	30.7	0.3	11.2	12.0	77.8	22.2	
Jul-Sep 2025	100.0	25.4	17.4	2.1	31.1	0.5	11.4	12.1	76.9	23.1	
Oct-Dec 2025	100.0	26.8	17.1	2.3	30.7	0.4	11.3	11.4	77.0	23.0	
Jan-Mar 2026	100.0	27.0	17.1	2.1	30.5	0.3	11.3	11.6	76.5	23.5	
Men	BEBP	BEEH	BEEK	BEEN	BEEQ	BEET	BEEW	BEEZ	BEAS	BEGT	
Jan-Mar 2024	100.0	31.9	7.1	3.3	32.6	0.3	12.6	12.3	80.5	19.5	
Jan-Mar 2025	100.0	31.6	6.3	2.6	33.4	0.4	12.3	13.3	77.1	22.9	
Apr-Jun 2025	100.0	31.2	6.1	2.8	33.6	0.3	12.4	13.6	76.4	23.6	
Jul-Sep 2025	100.0	30.3	5.8	2.4	35.3	0.7	12.6	12.8	75.0	25.0	
Oct-Dec 2025	100.0	32.0	5.9	2.7	34.6	0.6	12.4	11.7	74.9	25.1	
Jan-Mar 2026	100.0	32.3	6.1	2.6	33.4	0.4	12.9	12.3	74.3	25.7	
Women	LF6W	LF6Y	LF72	LF74	LF76	LF78	LF7A	LF7C	LF7E	LF7G	
Jan-Mar 2024	100.0	23.2	25.6	1.4	27.9	0.2	11.1	10.5	82.3	17.7	
Jan-Mar 2025	100.0	23.1	25.8	1.4	27.8	0.3	11.0	10.7	79.6	20.4	
Apr-Jun 2025	100.0	21.9	26.1	1.8	28.6	0.2	10.4	10.9	78.8	21.2	
Jul-Sep 2025	100.0	21.8	25.7	1.8	28.0	0.3	10.5	11.7	78.3	21.7	
Oct-Dec 2025	100.0	23.0	25.1	2.0	27.9	0.2	10.5	11.2	78.4	21.6	
Jan-Mar 2026	100.0	23.3	24.8	1.8	28.5	0.3	10.3	11.1	78.1	21.9	

Data Source: Labour Force Survey.

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- Discouraged workers are those who are not looking for work because they believe no jobs are available.
- Other reasons include people who (i) are waiting the results of a job application, (ii) have not yet started looking for work, (iii) do not need or want employment, (iv) have given an unclassified reason for being economically inactive, or (v) have not given a reason for being economically inactive.

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

12 Educational status, economic activity and inactivity of people aged from 16 to 24

Jan-Mar 2026

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	All aged 16 to 24				In full-time education (FTE)				Not in full-time education (FTE) ¹			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Economically inactive	Total	Employed ²	Unemployed ²	Economically inactive	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Economically inactive
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

Levels

People

16-17	1,634	329	137	1,168	1,391	275	105	1,010	243	53	32	158
18-24	5,876	3,444	592	1,840	2,007	738	153	1,116	3,869	2,706	439	724
16-24	7,510	3,773	729	3,008	3,398	1,014	258	2,126	4,112	2,759	471	882

Men

16-17	837	149	78	610	704	119	57	527	133	30	21	82
18-24	3,004	1,749	365	890	963	321	82	560	2,041	1,428	283	330
16-24	3,841	1,898	443	1,499	1,666	440	139	1,087	2,174	1,458	304	412

Women

16-17	797	179	60	558	687	156	48	483	110	23	11	75
18-24	2,872	1,695	227	950	1,045	417	71	556	1,827	1,278	156	394
16-24	3,669	1,874	286	1,508	1,732	573	119	1,039	1,937	1,301	167	469

Changes on quarter

People

16-17	1	14	-26	13	-39	20	-30	-28	39	-5	4	40
18-24	26	-79	17	88	64	6	19	40	-38	-85	-2	49
16-24	27	-65	-9	101	26	25	-12	12	1	-90	2	89

Men

16-17	0	11	-6	-5	-26	8	-7	-27	27	3	1	22
18-24	15	-42	-2	59	29	-8	1	36	-15	-34	-4	23
16-24	15	-30	-8	54	3	0	-6	9	12	-30	-3	45

Women

16-17	0	3	-20	17	-12	12	-23	-1	13	-9	3	18
18-24	11	-38	19	30	35	14	17	4	-24	-51	2	26
16-24	12	-35	-1	47	23	25	-6	4	-11	-60	5	44

Rates(%)³

People

16-17	20.1	29.5	71.5	19.8	27.6	72.6	21.9	37.7	64.8
18-24	58.6	14.7	31.3	36.8	17.2	55.6	69.9	14.0	18.7
16-24	50.2	16.2	40.1	29.8	20.3	62.6	67.1	14.6	21.4

Men

16-17	17.8	34.2	72.9	16.9	32.4	75.0	22.6	40.8	61.9
18-24	58.2	17.3	29.6	33.4	20.3	58.1	70.0	16.6	16.2
16-24	49.4	18.9	39.0	26.4	24.0	65.2	67.1	17.2	19.0

Women

16-17	22.5	24.9	70.0	22.7	23.5	70.3	21.1	33.2	68.4
18-24	59.0	11.8	33.1	39.9	14.6	53.3	69.9	10.9	21.6
16-24	51.1	13.3	41.1	33.1	17.2	60.0	67.2	11.4	24.2

Changes on quarter

People

16-17	0.9	-4.8	0.7	1.9	-7.0	0.0	-6.8	5.2	7.4
18-24	-1.6	0.6	1.4	-0.9	1.7	0.2	-1.5	0.3	1.4
16-24	-1.0	0.1	1.2	0.5	-1.2	-0.1	-2.2	0.5	2.2

Men

16-17	1.3	-3.6	-0.6	1.7	-4.2	-1.0	-2.5	-1.8	5.6
18-24	-1.7	0.2	1.8	-1.9	0.7	2.0	-1.1	0.1	1.2
16-24	-1.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	-0.7	0.4	-1.8	0.2	2.0

Women

16-17	0.4	-6.2	2.2	2.1	-9.5	1.1	-11.5	12.3	9.7
18-24	-1.6	1.1	0.9	0.0	2.8	-1.4	-1.9	0.5	1.7
16-24	-1.1	0.2	1.2	1.0	-1.4	-0.6	-2.7	0.7	2.4

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

Labour market statistics enquiries: labour.market@ons.gov.uk

1. Not in full-time education includes people in part-time education and/or some form of training. Estimates of the number of young people who were not in employment, education or training ("NEET") cannot therefore be derived from this table. Estimates of young people who were NEET are published separately at:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/unemployment/bulletins/youngpeoplenotineducationemploymentortrainin>

2. People in full-time education are employed if they have a part-time job or unemployed if they are looking for part-time employment.

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

EARNINGS

13 Average Weekly Earnings (nominal) - total pay¹

	Standard Industrial Classification (2007)						Great Britain, seasonally adjusted		
	Whole Economy (100%) ²			Private sector (81%) ²			Public sector (19%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³
	KAB9	KAC2	KAC3	KAC4	KAC5	KAC6	KAC7	KAC8	KAC9
Mar 24	684	6.3	5.9	687	6.5	6.0	665	6.7	6.2
Jan 25 (r)	710	5.1	5.6	714	4.9	5.8	694	5.6	5.2
Feb 25 (r)	718	5.7	5.7	723	5.7	5.7	696	5.8	5.8
Mar 25 (r)	722	5.5	5.4	726	5.6	5.4	698	5.0	5.5
Apr 25	720	4.6	5.3 (r)	726	4.9	5.4	701	5.7	5.5
May 25	723	4.6	4.9 (r)	728	4.6	5.0	702	5.3	5.3
Jun 25	725	4.8	4.6	732	4.6	4.7	703	4.9	5.3
Jul 25	728	5.0	4.8	734	4.9	4.7	709	5.3	5.1
Aug 25	733	5.3	5.0	736	4.8	4.8	718	7.3	5.8
Sep 25	734	4.3	4.9	737	3.6	4.4	724	7.8	6.8
Oct 25	740	4.9	4.8	741	4.0	4.1	728	8.0	7.7
Nov 25	740	4.6	4.6	741	3.9	3.8	728	7.4	7.7
Dec 25	735	3.1	4.2	741	2.7	3.5	729	5.5	7.0
Jan 26	743	4.6	4.1	746	4.5	3.7	728	5.0	6.0
Feb 26 (r)	746	3.9	3.9	749	3.6	3.6	731	5.0	5.2
Mar 26 (p)	749	3.8	4.1	752	3.7	3.9	731	4.7	4.9

	Services, SIC 2007 sections G-S (86%) ²			Finance and business services, SIC 2007 sections K-N (22%) ²			Public sector excluding financial services (19%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³
		K5BZ	K5C2	K5C3	K5C4	K5C5	K5C6	KAD8	KAD9
Mar 24	673	5.8	5.8	953	9.8	7.0	661	6.7	6.3
Jan 25 (r)	697	4.9	5.7	944	3.4	4.9	693	6.0	5.6
Feb 25 (r)	704	5.5	5.8	956	3.3	4.4	695	6.1	6.1
Mar 25 (r)	708	5.2	5.2	972	2.0	2.9	698	5.7	5.9
Apr 25	708	4.8	5.1 (r)	971	4.3	3.2 (r)	700	6.2	6.0
May 25	710	4.6	4.9	961	2.0	2.8 (r)	701	5.8	5.9 (r)
Jun 25	712	4.8	4.7	969	2.3	2.9	706	6.5	6.1
Jul 25	715	5.1	4.9	973	4.0	2.8	705	5.7	6.0
Aug 25	720	5.4	5.1	975	3.5	3.3	717	7.8	6.7
Sep 25	723	4.5	5.0	976	2.3	3.3	722	8.7	7.4
Oct 25	726	4.9	4.9	985	3.4	3.1	726	8.1	8.2
Nov 25	727	4.8	4.7	983	3.4	3.0	725	7.4	8.0
Dec 25	727	3.2	4.3	959	-1.0	1.9	728	5.5	7.0
Jan 26 (r)	731	5.0	4.3	1002	6.1	2.8	727	4.9	5.9
Feb 26 (r)	734	4.2	4.1	1008	5.4	3.5	730	5.0	5.1
Mar 26 (p)	738	4.2	4.4	1018	4.7	5.4	730	4.6	4.8

	Manufacturing, SIC 2007 section C (7%) ²			Construction, SIC 2007 section F (5%) ²			Wholesaling, retailing, hotels & restaurants, SIC 2007 sections G & I (22%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³
		K5CA	K5CB	K5CC	K5CD	K5CE	K5CF	K5CG	K5CH
Mar 24	754	5.9	6.0	739	0.0	2.3	447	3.7	4.6
Jan 25 (r)	781	6.2	5.9	795	6.4	6.0	467	4.3	5.2
Feb 25 (r)	786	6.2	5.9	815	7.8	6.2	482	9.2	6.3
Mar 25 (r)	794	5.4	5.9	814	10.1	8.1	480	7.4	6.9
Apr 25	788	3.9	5.1 (r)	806	5.5	7.8 (r)	482	6.7	7.7
May 25	792	4.4	4.5 (r)	802	4.7	6.8 (r)	486	7.0	7.0
Jun 25	804	5.4	4.6	813	4.9	5.0	481	5.5	6.4
Jul 25	797	4.7	4.8	814	4.6	4.7	489	5.7	6.1
Aug 25	802	4.9	5.0	812	3.8	4.4	493	6.2	5.8
Sep 25	802	4.1	4.6	811	2.2	3.5	496	5.7	5.9
Oct 25	805	4.2	4.4	829	3.8	3.3	494	5.6	5.8
Nov 25	807	4.1	4.1	809	1.7	2.6	494	4.9	5.4
Dec 25	809	5.0	4.4	810	1.0	2.2	498	6.0	5.5
Jan 26 (r)	810	3.7	4.2	795	-0.1	0.9	488	4.6	5.2
Feb 26 (r)	816	3.8	4.1	798	-2.1	-0.4	500	3.8	4.8
Mar 26 (p)	819	3.1	3.5	789	-3.1	-1.8	503	4.9	4.4

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

1. Estimates of total pay include bonuses but exclude arrears of pay.

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2. The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period.

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3. The three month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted values for the three months ending with the relevant month compared with the same period a year earlier.

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14 Average Weekly Earnings (nominal) - bonus pay

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)

Great Britain, seasonally adjusted

	Whole Economy (100%) ¹			Private sector (81%) ²			Public sector (19%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	KAF4	KAF5	KAF6	KAF7	KAF8	KAF9	KAG2	KAG3	KAG4
Mar 24	46	4.3	2.6	55	6.2	5.2	3	4.2	-35.4
Jan 25 (r)	42	-7.4	3.5	52	-4.6	2.5	2	-23.3	-6.3
Feb 25 (r)	48	7.1	5.7	58	4.0	3.6	2	7.0	7.3
Mar 25 (r)	49	6.0	1.9	60	9.8	3.1	1	-51.3	-25.0
Apr 25	46	-1.0	4.0 (r)	56	-1.2	4.1 (r)	2	-2.0	-19.7 (r)
May 25	46	-0.1	1.6	57	-2.2	2.0 (r)	2	-40.7	-35.9 (r)
Jun 25	47	4.9	1.2	60	6.8	1.1	2	-54.7	-38.7
Jul 25	49	15.0	6.4	60	13.2	5.7	3	-22.2	-39.7
Aug 25	50	19.9	13.1	63	17.1	12.3	6	198.8	13.5
Sep 25	50	1.5	11.6	61	-3.0	8.4	2	105.5	68.0
Oct 25	52	8.3	9.4	67	15.6	9.4	2	-73.7	-10.5
Nov 25	51	16.2	8.4	62	16.6	9.2	2	-25.4	-48.1
Dec 25	48	-6.7	5.4	56	-6.2	8.4	3	-28.8	-53.6
Jan 26 (r)	52	23.7	10.0	64	21.5	10.0	2	18.0	-17.0
Feb 26 (r)	52	9.7	7.9	64	10.1	7.9	3	29.7	-0.1
Mar 26 (p)	53	8.2	13.4	64	5.7	12.0	2	14.2	22.0

	Services, SIC 2007 sections G-S (86%) ¹			Finance and business services, SIC 2007 sections K-N (22%) ²			Public sector excluding financial services (19%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	K5CS	K5CT	K5CU	K5CV	K5CW	K5CX	KAH3	KAH4	KAH5
Mar 24	47	5.1	4.3	112	9.9	3.7	2	0.9	-2.2
Jan 25 (r)	44	-4.5	2.3	103	-2.7	1.8	2	-24.2	-4.0
Feb 25 (r)	48	2.3	3.6	109	0.3	5.6	2	61.9	20.1
Mar 25 (r)	50	7.6	1.8	123	9.2	2.4	2	18.7	11.7
Apr 25	47	0.5	3.5 (r)	114	2.1	3.9 (r)	1	-3.8	26.1 (r)
May 25	47	-4.3	1.2 (r)	98	-14.4	-1.1 (r)	1	-28.5	-7.1 (r)
Jun 25	48	3.9	0.0	119	0.3	-4.0	2	17.0	-6.2
Jul 25	49	12.4	3.7	120	16.0	0.1	2	-15.9	-10.2
Aug 25	53	21.3	12.3	129	16.1	10.4	5	235.2	63.0
Sep 25	50	-1.2	10.2	119	-2.3	9.4	2	105.2	89.4
Oct 25	54	12.1	10.1	152	30.2	14.4	2	-72.0	-1.2
Nov 25	53	18.8	9.5	122	27.0	17.4	1	-24.5	-45.5
Dec 25	48	-6.3	7.7	102	-20.3	10.3	2	-31.2	-54.1
Jan 26 (r)	54	22.1	10.7	137	32.5	10.3	2	9.7	-18.3
Feb 26 (r)	54	11.1	8.3	131	20.2	8.7	4	87.9	19.4
Mar 26 (p)	54	6.8	13.0	130	5.6	18.6	2	-0.4	35.6

	Manufacturing, SIC 2007 section C (7%) ²			Construction, SIC 2007 section F (5%) ¹			Wholesaling, retailing, hotels & restaurants, SIC 2007 sections G & I (22%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	K5D3	K5D4	K5D5	K5D6	K5D7	K5D8	K5D9	K5DA	K5DB
Mar 24	35	4.6	-12.1	30	-18.9	2.9	25	-13.3	-9.5
Jan 25 (r)	35	11.7	9.5	36	-8.3	5.2	23	-13.7	-6.4
Feb 25 (r)	40	25.9	10.9	50	42.8	9.3	25	2.3	-5.4
Mar 25 (r)	38	8.0	15.0	49	63.1	29.6	27	6.5	-1.9
Apr 25	36	-8.2	7.4 (r)	46	16.1	38.6 (r)	27	2.8	3.9 (r)
May 25	38	0.0	-0.4 (r)	48	34.2	35.7 (r)	33	0.4	3.0 (r)
Jun 25	44	19.4	3.5	49	19.2	22.7	24	-9.1	-1.8
Jul 25	36	11.0	10.1	49	21.5	24.6	28	3.1	-1.6
Aug 25	40	18.0	16.3	43	-1.4	12.8	30	20.9	4.6
Sep 25	38	3.4	10.6	44	-6.9	3.7	35	8.7	10.5
Oct 25	30	-15.9	1.5	59	33.8	8.2	28	11.1	13.1
Nov 25	36	1.2	-3.7	41	-6.7	6.4	29	13.6	10.9
Dec 25	39	19.5	1.0	40	-12.6	4.5	29	14.8	13.1
Jan 26 (r)	39	11.3	10.5	35	-2.7	-7.7	24	3.8	10.9
Feb 26 (r)	49	21.1	17.4	40	-21.0	-13.1	32	26.1	15.2
Mar 26 (p)	40	4.6	12.5	38	-22.4	-16.7	31	14.6	15.2

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

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1. The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period.

2. The three month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted values for the three months ending with the relevant month compared with the same period a year earlier.

EARNINGS

15 Average Weekly Earnings (nominal) - regular pay¹

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)

Great Britain, seasonally adjusted

	Whole Economy (100%) ²			Private sector (81%) ²			Public sector (19%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³
	KAI7	KAI8	KAI9	KAJ2	KAJ3	KAJ4	KAJ5	KAJ6	KAJ7
Mar 24	639	6.1	6.0	634	6.0	5.9	662	6.8	6.4
Jan 25	667	5.9	5.8	661	6.1	6.0	692	5.6	5.2
Feb 25	670	5.8	5.9	665	5.8	6.0	694 (r)	5.8	5.7
Mar 25 (r)	670	4.9	5.5	664	4.8	5.6	697	5.3	5.5
Apr 25	674	5.1	5.3	668	4.9	5.2	699	5.8	5.6
May 25	677	5.0	5.0	671	4.9	4.9	701	5.5	5.5
Jun 25	679	4.8	5.0	672	4.5	4.8	704	5.9	5.7
Jul 25	680	4.7	4.8	674	4.5	4.7	704	5.4	5.6
Aug 25	682	4.7	4.7	675	4.2	4.4	712	6.7	6.0
Sep 25	685	4.6	4.7	676	3.9	4.2	721	7.8	6.6
Oct 25	687	4.5	4.6	679	3.5	3.9	726	8.5	7.6
Nov 25	688	4.1	4.4	679	3.3	3.6	725	7.5	7.9
Dec 25	690	3.9	4.1	683	3.4	3.4	727	5.6	7.2
Jan 26	691	3.6	3.8	683	3.3	3.3	727	5.0	6.0
Feb 26 (r)	692	3.3	3.6	684	2.9	3.2	728	4.9	5.2
Mar 26 (p)	693	3.3	3.4	684	3.0	3.0	729	4.6	4.8

	Services, SIC 2007 sections G-S (86%) ²			Finance and business services, SIC 2007 sections K-N (22%) ²			Public sector excluding financial services (19%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³
	K5DL	K5DM	K5DN	K5DO	K5DP	K5DQ	KAK6	KAK7	KAK8
Mar 24	624	6.2	6.0	821	7.2	6.7	658	6.8	6.3
Jan 25 (r)	653	6.0	5.9	847	5.2	5.3	690	6.0	5.6
Feb 25 (r)	655	5.8	5.9	847	3.8	4.8	692	6.2	6.1
Mar 25 (r)	655	4.9	5.6	844	2.9	3.9	696	5.7	5.9
Apr 25	660	5.0	5.3 (r)	855	3.3	3.3	698	6.2	6.0
May 25	663	5.2	5.0	854	3.2	3.1	700	5.9	5.9
Jun 25	665	4.8	5.0	853	2.6	3.0	703	6.2	6.1
Jul 25	667	4.7	4.9	855	3.2	3.0	702	5.9	6.0
Aug 25	669	4.7	4.8	856	2.7	2.8	712	7.0	6.4
Sep 25	673	4.8	4.8	859	2.5	2.8	721	8.5	7.1
Oct 25	674	4.6	4.7	860	1.6	2.3	726	8.5	8.0
Nov 25	674	4.1	4.5	860	2.2	2.1	724	7.5	8.2
Dec 25	677	3.9	4.2	865	2.2	2.0	725	5.5	7.2
Jan 26	677	3.8	3.9	868	2.5	2.3	724	5.0	6.0
Feb 26 (r)	678	3.5	3.7	869	2.6	2.4	726	4.9	5.1
Mar 26 (p)	679	3.6	3.6	868	2.8	2.6	728	4.6	4.8

	Manufacturing, SIC 2007 section C (7%) ²			Construction, SIC 2007 section F (5%) ²			Wholesaling, retailing, hotels & restaurants, SIC 2007 sections G & I (22%) ²		
	Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³		Single month	3 month average ³
	K5DU	K5DV	K5DW	K5DX	K5DY	K5DZ	K5E2	K5E3	K5E4
Mar 24	714	6.7	6.8	719	2.1	2.6	422	5.8	5.9
Jan 25	744	5.8	5.9	758	7.1	6.1	445	5.5	6.0
Feb 25 (r)	749	5.7	5.8	766	6.6	6.3	454	9.5	7.0
Mar 25 (r)	751	5.2	5.6	763	6.2	6.6	452	7.2	7.4
Apr 25	753	4.8	5.2	761	5.0	5.9	455	7.1	7.9
May 25	757	4.5	4.8	760	3.7	5.0 (r)	458	7.4	7.2
Jun 25	759	4.7	4.6	764	4.1	4.3	458	6.2	6.9
Jul 25	761	4.4	4.5	765	3.7	3.8	460	5.9	6.5
Aug 25	764	4.7	4.6	769	3.9	3.9	462	5.6	5.9
Sep 25	763	4.1	4.4	768	2.8	3.5	463	5.6	5.7
Oct 25	769	4.7	4.5	769	2.2	3.0	465	5.4	5.5
Nov 25	769	4.2	4.3	767	2.1	2.4	465	4.5	5.1
Dec 25	771	4.2	4.4	766	2.4	2.2	469	5.4	5.1
Jan 26	769 (r)	3.4	3.9	758	0.1	1.5	465	4.6	4.8
Feb 26 (r)	772	3.1	3.6	758	-0.9	0.5	466	2.7	4.2
Mar 26 (p)	774	3.0	3.2	756	-0.9	-0.6	469	3.6	3.6

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

1. Estimates of regular pay exclude bonuses and arrears of pay.

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EARNINGS

16 Average Weekly Earnings - real and nominal¹

Great Britain whole economy, seasonally adjusted

Total pay (including bonuses) ¹						
	Nominal earnings			Real earnings ^{3,4}		
	Nominal Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings at constant 2015 prices (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	KAB9	KAC2	KAC3	A3WX	A3WV	A3WW
Mar 24	684	6.3	5.9	522	2.2	1.9
Jan 25 (r)	710	5.1	5.6	523	1.4	1.9
Feb 25 (r)	718	5.7	5.7	528	1.9	2.0
Mar 25 (r)	722	5.5	5.4	532	1.9	1.7
Apr 25	720	4.6	5.3 (r)	527	0.3	1.4 (r)
May 25	723	4.6	4.9 (r)	527	0.4	0.9 (r)
Jun 25	725	4.8	4.6	527	0.7	0.5
Jul 25	728	5.0	4.8	527	0.8	0.6
Aug 25	733	5.3	5.0	529	1.2	0.9
Sep 25	734	4.3	4.9	528	0.3	0.7
Oct 25	740	4.9	4.8	531	0.8	0.8
Nov 25	740	4.6	4.6	531	1.0	0.7
Dec 25	735	3.1	4.2	526	-0.5	0.5
Jan 26	743	4.6	4.1	530	1.5	0.7
Feb 26 (r)	746	3.9	3.9	531	0.6	0.6
Mar 26 (p)	749	3.8	4.1	533	0.3	0.8

Regular pay (excluding bonuses)						
	Nominal earnings			Real earnings ^{3,4}		
	Nominal Weekly Earnings (£)	% changes year on year		Weekly Earnings at constant 2015 prices (£)	% changes year on year	
		Single month	3 month average ²		Single month	3 month average ²
	KAI7	KAI8	KAI9	A2FC	A2F9	A2FA
Mar 24	639	6.1	6.0	485	2.3	1.9
Jan 25	667	5.9	5.8	491	1.9	2.0 (r)
Feb 25 (r)	670	5.8	5.9	493	2.0	2.1
Mar 25	670	4.9	5.5 (r)	492	1.5	1.8
Apr 25	674	5.1	5.3	492	1.0	1.5
May 25	677	5.0	5.0	493	0.9	1.1
Jun 25	679	4.8	5.0	493	0.8	0.9
Jul 25	680	4.7	4.8	492	0.5	0.7
Aug 25	682	4.7	4.7	493	0.6	0.6
Sep 25	685	4.6	4.7	494	0.5	0.5
Oct 25	687	4.5	4.6	495	0.6	0.6
Nov 25	688	4.1	4.4	494	0.5	0.6
Dec 25	690	3.9	4.1	495	0.3	0.5
Jan 26	691	3.6	3.8	493	0.4	0.4
Feb 26 (r)	692	3.3	3.6	493	0.0	0.2
Mar 26 (p)	693	3.3	3.4	492	-0.2	0.1

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

Earnings enquiries: 01633 456120

Email: earnings@ons.gov.uk

1. Estimates of total pay include bonuses but exclude arrears of pay.
2. The three month average figures are the changes in the average seasonally adjusted values for the three months ending with the relevant month compared with the same period a year earlier.
3. Estimates of real earnings are calculated by deflating the nominal earnings estimates by the Consumer Prices Index including owner occupiers' housing costs (CPIH), our preferred measure of consumer price inflation.
4. An error has been identified in the inflation measures for April 2025, this [note](#) provides more detail. This error will have a minimal impact on the real measures of earnings for April 2025.

VACANCIES

19 Vacancies¹ by size of business

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	All Vacancies	Number of employees				
		1-9	10-49	50-249	250-2499	2500+
		ALY5	ALY6	ALY7	ALY8	ALY9
	AP2Y					
Levels						
Feb-Apr 2024	885	136	136	134	191	288
Feb-Apr 2025 (r)	759	121	121	109	169	239
Mar-May 2025	735	110	114	107	169	236
Apr-Jun 2025	727	107	113	109	166	232
May-Jul 2025	724	111	109	109	165	231
Jun-Aug 2025	737	117	111	110	168	232
Jul-Sep 2025	729	114	107	110	167	230
Aug-Oct 2025	728	116	106	109	168	228
Sep-Nov 2025	730	120	103	108	168	232
Oct-Dec 2025	739	122	104	106	173	234
Nov-Jan 2026 (r)	734	119	101	108	171	235
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	724	113	100	107	171	234
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	712	105	97	106	170	234
Feb-Apr 2026 (p)	705	100	96	103	170	236
Change on quarter *	-28	-19	-5	-5	-1	1
Change % *	-3.9	-15.7	-5.1	-4.5	-0.4	0.4
Change on year	-54	-21	-26	-6	1	-3
Change %	-7.1	-17.6	-21.1	-5.3	0.8	-1.1

1. Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.

Source: ONS Vacancy Survey

Vacancy Survey enquiries: vacancy.survey@ons.gov.uk, 01633 455400

* Change on previous non-overlapping three month rolling average time period.

20 Vacancies¹ and Unemployment

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	All Vacancies ¹	Unemployment ²	Number of unemployed people per vacancy
	AP2Y	MGSC	JPC5
Levels			
Jan-Mar 2024	893	1,513	1.7
Jan-Mar 2025	775	1,614	2.1
Apr-Jun 2025	727	1,672	2.3
Jul-Sep 2025	729	1,789	2.5
Oct-Dec 2025	739	1,883	2.5
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	712	1,806	2.5
Change on quarter	-27	-77	0.0
Change %	-3.6	-4.1	
Change on year	-63	192	0.5
Change %	-8.1	11.9	

Source: ONS Vacancy Survey/ Labour Force Survey

Vacancy Survey enquiries: vacancy.survey@ons.gov.uk, 01633 455400

1. Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.

2. Unemployment estimates are produced from the Labour Force Survey (LFS) and are always one period behind the ONS Vacancy Survey estimates. This table therefore shows estimates for the same periods as shown in table 1 (which shows LFS estimates).

VACANCIES

21 Vacancies by industry

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

SIC 2007 sections	All vacancies ¹	Mining & quarrying	Manufacturing	Electricity, gas, steam & air conditioning supply ²	Water supply, sewerage, waste & remediation activities	Construction	Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles	Transport & storage	Accommodation & food service activities	Information & communication
	B-S	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
	AP2Y	JP9H	JP9I	JP9J	JP9K	JP9L	JP9M	JP9N	JP9O	JP9P
Levels (thousands)										
Feb-Apr 2024	885	2	62	5	6	36	112	34	104	37
Feb-Apr 2025 (r)	759	1	50	4	7	33	103	32	81	36
Mar-May 2025	735	1	48	4	7	33	98	32	79	35
Apr-Jun 2025	727	1	49	4	7	30	93	32	79	35
May-Jul 2025	724	1	48	3	7	31	94	30	76	34
Jun-Aug 2025	737	1	49	3	8	31	95	29	78	36
Jul-Sep 2025	729	1	47	3	7	30	95	30	76	36
Aug-Oct 2025	728	1	47	3	8	30	92	30	77	35
Sep-Nov 2025	730	1	49	3	7	29	95	32	77	34
Oct-Dec 2025	739	1	52	3	7	30	92	34	75	37
Nov-Jan 2026 (r)	734	1	52	3	6	29	91	34	75	38
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	724	1	50	3	6	27	86	34	73	40
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	712	1	50	3	6	27	87	33	71	36
Feb-Apr 2026 (p)	705	1	51	3	7	29	84	32	69	39
Change on quarter *	-28	0	-1	0	0	0	-7	-2	-6	1
Change % *	-3.9	9.1	-2.1	-3.0	3.2	0.7	-7.7	-7.0	-7.7	1.3
Change on year	-54	0	1	-1	0	-4	-18	0	-11	3
Change %	-7.1	-7.7	1.2	-22.0	-5.8	-12.5	-17.9	0.0	-14.0	8.7
	AP2Z	JPA2	JPA3	JPA4	JPA5	JPA6	JPA7	JPA8	JPA9	JPB2
Vacancies per 100 employee jobs										
Feb-Apr 2024	2.8	3.5	2.6	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.5	2.1	4.2	2.6
Feb-Apr 2025 (r)	2.4	2.8	2.1	3.0	3.0	2.0	2.3	1.9	3.3	2.5
Mar-May 2025	2.3	2.8	2.1	3.0	2.9	2.0	2.2	1.9	3.2	2.5
Apr-Jun 2025	2.3	2.8	2.1	2.9	3.0	1.9	2.1	1.9	3.2	2.5
May-Jul 2025	2.3	2.8	2.0	2.5	3.0	1.9	2.1	1.8	3.1	2.4
Jun-Aug 2025	2.3	2.8	2.1	2.5	3.2	1.9	2.2	1.8	3.2	2.6
Jul-Sep 2025	2.3	2.5	2.0	2.4	3.1	1.8	2.2	1.8	3.1	2.6
Aug-Oct 2025	2.3	2.3	2.0	2.4	3.4	1.8	2.1	1.8	3.1	2.5
Sep-Nov 2025	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.3	3.0	1.8	2.2	1.9	3.1	2.4
Oct-Dec 2025	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	3.0	1.8	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.6
Nov-Jan 2026 (r)	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.7	1.8	2.1	2.1	3.1	2.7
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.4	2.7	1.6	2.0	2.1	3.0	2.8
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.4	2.5	1.7	2.0	2.0	2.9	2.6
Feb-Apr 2026 (p)	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.8	2.7
Change on quarter *	-0.1	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.0
Change on year	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.7	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	0.0	-0.5	0.2

SIC 2007 sections	Financial & insurance activities	Real estate activities ²	Professional scientific & technical activities	Administrative & support service activities	Public admin & defence; compulsory social security	Education	Human health & social work activities	Arts, entertainment & recreation	Other service activities	Total services
	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	G-S
	JP9Q	JP9R	JP9S	JP9T	JP9U	JP9V	JP9W	JP9X	JP9Y	JP9Z
Levels (thousands)										
Feb-Apr 2024	35	16	88	65	31	57	162	17	18	775
Feb-Apr 2025 (r)	33	13	77	52	29	47	134	18	11	665
Mar-May 2025	33	14	74	49	28	44	133	16	11	644
Apr-Jun 2025	32	13	73	49	28	42	135	16	11	636
May-Jul 2025	33	13	74	50	29	46	131	15	11	634
Jun-Aug 2025	34	12	77	51	29	47	129	14	13	644
Jul-Sep 2025	33	10	76	51	30	49	127	14	13	640
Aug-Oct 2025	34	10	77	49	30	49	126	16	13	638
Sep-Nov 2025	34	11	77	49	30	50	122	16	13	640
Oct-Dec 2025	34	11	77	49	30	51	124	17	14	645
Nov-Jan 2026 (r)	32	12	75	50	29	50	125	17	13	641
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	32	12	75	50	29	47	125	16	15	636
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	32	13	74	48	29	47	126	14	15	626
Feb-Apr 2026 (p)	32	10	71	49	29	48	126	13	15	615
Change on quarter *	1	-2	-4	-1	-1	-2	1	-4	2	-26
Change % *	1.9	-19.7	-5.2	-2.0	-1.7	-4.2	0.6	-24.0	14.2	-4.0
Change on year	-1	-4	-6	-3	0	1	-9	-5	3	-49
Change %	-2.4	-26.3	-7.3	-6.0	-1.0	2.4	-6.3	-29.1	28.3	-7.4
	JPB3	JPB4	JPB5	JPB6	JPB7	JPB8	JPB9	JPC2	JPC3	JPC4
Vacancies per 100 employee jobs										
Feb-Apr 2024	3.2	2.6	3.0	2.5	2.1	2.0	3.5	2.1	2.9	2.8
Feb-Apr 2025 (r)	3.1	2.1	2.6	2.0	1.9	1.7	2.9	2.2	1.8	2.4
Mar-May 2025	3.1	2.1	2.5	1.9	1.8	1.6	2.8	2.0	1.7	2.3
Apr-Jun 2025	3.1	2.0	2.5	1.8	1.8	1.5	2.9	1.9	1.7	2.3
May-Jul 2025	3.1	2.1	2.5	1.9	1.8	1.6	2.8	1.9	1.8	2.3
Jun-Aug 2025	3.2	1.9	2.6	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.8	1.8	2.0	2.3
Jul-Sep 2025	3.1	1.6	2.6	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.7	1.8	2.0	2.3
Aug-Oct 2025	3.2	1.6	2.6	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.7	1.9	2.1	2.3
Sep-Nov 2025	3.2	1.7	2.6	1.8	2.0	1.8	2.6	2.0	2.1	2.3
Oct-Dec 2025	3.2	1.7	2.6	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.3
Nov-Jan 2026 (r)	3.0	1.9	2.5	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.7	2.1	2.0	2.3
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	3.0	1.9	2.5	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.7	2.0	2.3	2.3
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	3.0	2.0	2.5	1.8	1.9	1.7	2.7	1.7	2.3	2.3
Feb-Apr 2026 (p)	3.0	1.6	2.4	1.8	1.9	1.7	2.7	1.6	2.3	2.2
Change on quarter *	0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.5	0.3	-0.1
Change on year	-0.1	-0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	0.5	-0.2

1. Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.

Source: ONS Vacancy Survey

2. Not seasonally adjusted. These series do not display seasonality. Therefore the unadjusted series is the best estimate of a 'seasonally adjusted' series.

* Change on previous non-overlapping three month rolling average time period.

Vacancy Survey enquiries: vacancy.survey@ons.gov.uk, 01633 455400

REDUNDANCIES

22 Redundancies: level¹ and rates²

United Kingdom

	People (aged 16 and over)		Men (aged 16 and over)		Women (aged 16 and over)	
	Level (000s) ¹	Rate ²	Level (000s) ¹	Rate ²	Level (000s) ¹	Rate ²
	BEAO	BEIR	BEIU	BEIX	BEJA	BEJD
Jan-Mar 2024	89	3.1	54	3.8	35	2.4
Jan-Mar 2025	110	3.8	76	5.2	34	2.3
Apr-Jun 2025	107	3.6	62	4.3	45	3.0
Jul-Sep 2025	134	4.5	78	5.3	56	3.7
Oct-Dec 2025	145	4.9	73	5.0	73	4.8
Jan-Mar 2026	126	4.2	66	4.5	60	4.0
Change on quarter	-19	-0.7	-6	-0.5	-13	-0.9
Change %	-13.2		-8.8		-17.7	
Change on year	16	0.5	-10	-0.7	26	1.7
Change %	14.5		-12.6		74.9	

Data source: Labour Force Survey

Labour market statistics enquiries: labour.market@ons.gov.uk

1. The redundancy level is the number of people who were made redundant in the three months prior to interview. The figure is not seasonally adjusted.

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

REGIONAL SUMMARY

23(1) Regional summary of labour market headline indicators

Thousands, seasonally adjusted

Headline estimates for January - March 2026

Area Codes	Area Names	Economically active ¹		Employment		Unemployment		Economically inactive	
		Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²	Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²	Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16+ Rate (%) ³	Aged 16-64 Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²
K02000001	United Kingdom	36,198	79.1	34,392	75.0	1,806	5.0	9,103	20.9
K03000001	Great Britain	35,284	79.2	33,496	75.1	1,787	5.1	8,789	20.8
E92000001	England	30,972	79.6	29,364	75.4	1,608	5.2	7,526	20.4
E12000001	North East	1,347	76.2	1,273	72.0	73	5.5	406	23.8
E12000002	North West	3,940	77.8	3,747	73.9	193	4.9	1,075	22.2
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	2,886	77.3	2,719	72.6	167	5.8	806	22.7
E12000004	East Midlands	2,636	79.5	2,493	75.0	144	5.5	648	20.5
E12000005	West Midlands	3,127	78.1	2,957	73.8	170	5.4	841	21.9
E12000006	East	3,488	81.4	3,343	77.9	145	4.2	752	18.6
E12000007	London	5,270	80.1	4,886	74.1	383	7.3	1,256	19.9
E12000008	South East	5,167	81.6	4,973	78.5	194	3.8	1,089	18.4
E12000009	South West	3,111	81.7	2,973	78.2	139	4.5	653	18.3
W92000004	Wales	1,542	74.9	1,486	72.1	56	3.6	490	25.1
S92000003	Scotland	2,769	77.3	2,646	73.7	123	4.4	773	22.7
N92000002	Northern Ireland	914	73.7	895	72.1	19	2.1	313	26.3

Change on quarter (change since October - December 2025)

Note: Changes on quarter at regional level are particularly subject to sampling variability and should be interpreted in the context of changes over several quarters rather than in isolation.

Area Codes	Area Names	Economically active ¹		Employment		Unemployment		Economically inactive	
		Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²	Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²	Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16+ Rate (%) ³	Aged 16-64 Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²
K02000001	United Kingdom	71	-0.1	148	0.1	-77	-0.2	60	0.1
K03000001	Great Britain	72	-0.1	148	0.0	-76	-0.2	62	0.1
E92000001	England	89	-0.1	170	0.1	-81	-0.3	41	0.1
E12000001	North East	30	1.9	49	2.9	-18	-1.5	-32	-1.9
E12000002	North West	23	0.3	30	0.4	-7	-0.2	-11	-0.3
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	3	-0.2	2	-0.3	1	0.0	8	0.2
E12000004	East Midlands	-19	-0.7	-4	-0.3	-15	-0.5	25	0.7
E12000005	West Midlands	0	-0.1	22	0.7	-22	-0.7	5	0.1
E12000006	East	-23	-0.7	-6	-0.4	-18	-0.5	31	0.7
E12000007	London	38	0.2	53	0.3	-14	-0.3	-13	-0.2
E12000008	South East	21	-0.5	35	-0.3	-13	-0.3	31	0.5
E12000009	South West	15	0.1	-10	-0.4	26	0.8	-4	-0.1
W92000004	Wales	-1	-0.2	13	0.3	-13	-0.9	5	0.2
S92000003	Scotland	-16	-0.5	-34	-1.1	18	0.7	16	0.5
N92000002	Northern Ireland	-1	0.2	0.3	0.3	-1	-0.1	-2	-0.2

Change on year (change since January - March 2025)

Area Codes	Area Names	Economically active ¹		Employment		Unemployment		Economically inactive	
		Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²	Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²	Aged 16+ Level	Aged 16+ Rate (%) ³	Aged 16-64 Level	Aged 16-64 Rate (%) ²
K02000001	United Kingdom	608	0.4	416	0.0	192	0.5	-126	-0.4
K03000001	Great Britain	606	0.4	418	0.0	188	0.5	-116	-0.4
E92000001	England	620	0.6	412	0.0	208	0.6	-150	-0.6
E12000001	North East	90	4.6	80	4.0	9	0.3	-74	-4.6
E12000002	North West	89	0.6	53	-0.1	36	0.8	-22	-0.6
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	89	1.4	58	0.4	30	0.9	-41	-1.4
E12000004	East Midlands	73	1.1	37	0.0	36	1.2	-30	-1.1
E12000005	West Midlands	99	1.8	66	1.0	33	0.9	-63	-1.8
E12000006	East	15	-0.8	27	-0.5	-12	-0.4	39	0.8
E12000007	London	118	0.7	56	-0.2	62	1.0	-35	-0.7
E12000008	South East	63	-0.5	80	-0.2	-17	-0.4	39	0.5
E12000009	South West	-14	-0.9	-44	-1.8	30	1.0	38	0.9
W92000004	Wales	-2	-0.4	22	0.8	-24	-1.5	12	0.4
S92000003	Scotland	-13	-0.7	-16	-0.8	3	0.1	23	0.7
N92000002	Northern Ireland	3	1.0	-2	0.6	4	0.5	-11	-1.0

The Labour Force Survey is tabulated by region of residence.

1. Economically active = Employment plus Unemployment.

2. Denominator = all persons aged 16 to 64.

3. Denominator = total economically active

4. Data from January to March 2019 onwards has been reweighted, causing a step change discontinuity.

Source: Labour Force Survey

Labour market statistics enquiries: labour.market@ons.gov.uk

REGIONAL SUMMARY

23(2) Regional summary of Workforce Jobs

Thousands,
seasonally adjusted

Area Codes	Area Names	December 2025	Change on September 2025
K02000001	United Kingdom	36,563	33
K03000001	Great Britain	35,604	31
E92000001	England	31,309	10
E12000001	North East	1,250	-12
E12000002	North West	3,988	6
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	2,834	7
E12000004	East Midlands	2,494	11
E12000005	West Midlands	2,988	35
E12000006	East	3,296	-4
E12000007	London	6,415	16
E12000008	South East	4,953	-76
E12000009	South West	3,091	27
W92000004	Wales	1,460	24
S92000003	Scotland	2,835	-3
N92000002	Northern Ireland	953	2

Workforce jobs are mainly sourced from employer surveys and are tabulated by region of workplace.

HM Forces stationed abroad are included in the UK workforce jobs estimates but not in the regional estimates. The

UK workforce jobs estimates therefore do not equal the sum of the regional estimates.

Workforce Jobs data for March 2019 onwards has been affected by the reweighting of the LFS, causing a step change discontinuity.