

Statistical bulletin

Labour market overview, UK: June 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 138,000 (0.5%) between April 2025 and April 2026, and decreased by 53,000 (0.2%) between March and April 2026. This is based on administrative data from HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC).

When looking at February to April 2026, the period comparable with our Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates, the number of payrolled employees fell by 103,000 (0.3%) over the year and by 31,000 (0.1%) over the quarter.

The early estimate of payrolled employees for May 2026 decreased by 119,000 (0.4%) on the year, but was largely unchanged on the month, increasing by just 2,000 (0.0%) to 30.3 million. Figures for May 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; 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 February to April 2026. This is largely unchanged on both the year and the latest quarter.

The UK unemployment rate for people aged 16 years and over was estimated at 4.9% in February to April 2026. This is up 0.3 percentage points on the year but down 0.3 percentage points on the latest quarter.

The UK economic inactivity rate for people aged 16 to 64 years was estimated at 21.0% in February to April 2026. This is down 0.3 percentage points on the year but up 0.3 percentage points on the latest quarter.

The UK Claimant Count for May 2026 increased on both the month and the year to an estimated 1.712 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 decreased in the latest quarter. Early estimates for March to May 2026 suggest a decrease of 19,000 (2.6%) to 707,000, compared with December 2025 to February 2026. This is the lowest level of vacancies since February to April 2021.

The estimated number of workforce jobs in the UK was 36.8 million in March 2026. This is an increase of 256,000 (0.7%) from December 2025, with an increase of 177,000 (4.4%) in the self-employment jobs component and an increase of 81,000 (0.3%) in the employee jobs component. Over the year, the estimated number of workforce jobs was down by 98,000 (0.3%), with a decrease of 127,000 (2.9%) in the self-employment jobs component but an increase of 30,000 (0.1%) in the employee jobs component.

Employment in the public sector was estimated at 6.19 million in March 2026, with an increase of 2,000 (0.0%) compared with December 2025, and an increase of 37,000 (0.6%) compared with March 2025.

Annual growth in employees' average earnings in Great Britain was 3.4% for regular earnings (excluding bonuses), and 4.4% for total earnings (including bonuses) in February to April 2026. Annual average regular earnings growth was 5.1% for the public sector and 2.9% for the private sector. Public sector pay growth is once again affected by the timing of pay awards varying this year.

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 1.2% for total pay in February to April 2026.

Annual growth in real terms, adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Prices Index excluding owner occupiers' housing costs (CPI), was 0.3% for regular pay and 1.3% for total pay in February to April 2026.

There were an estimated 120,000 working days lost because of labour disputes across the UK in April 2026, with the majority of working days lost in the health and social work sector because of the doctors' strikes in England.

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

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, levels have moved closer to RTI, but 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 have published the latest estimate of WFJ in our June 2026 labour market publication. In the latest periods, the employee component of WFJ has shown two quarterly increases. WFJ can sometimes lag behind other indicators, as seen at the start of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; it is often brought more in-line following our annual benchmarking exercise, which has revised the series down in recent years.

We have undertaken additional analysis on our headline workforce jobs series as part of our quality assurance and following the publication of our recent article [How the ONS assesses statistical outputs for residual seasonality](#) on gross domestic product (GDP). Our analysis indicates mixed and emerging evidence of evolving seasonal patterns in both our headline employee jobs and self-employment jobs, although stronger in the latter. This needs further investigation at a more disaggregated level. We are therefore bringing forward our annual seasonal adjustment review of workforce jobs data. We will provide an update in September 2026, alongside the next release of workforce jobs data. Until then, caution should be taken when looking at short-term changes in these series.

Figure 1 shows the three employee indicators over a longer time series. RTI and the employee component of WFJ generally follow similar trends, but have diverged in some periods, including the most recent periods.

Over the last year, LFS employee-level estimates have aligned more closely with RTI, 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.

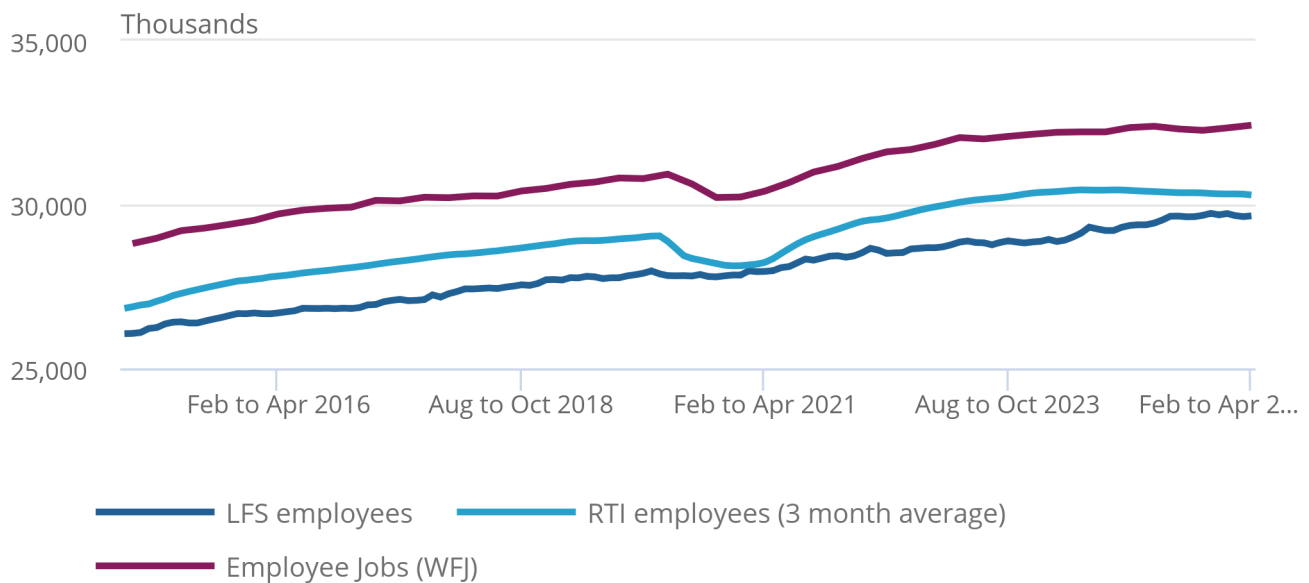
Our view remains that RTI currently provides the most reliable measure of employees. The number of payrolled employees continued to fall in the three months to April 2026. The latest flash estimate is largely unchanged on the month, with a small increase of 2,000, though this is subject to revision when more data are received next month.

Figure 1: RTI has continued to decrease over the year

Comparison of employee estimates over time, UK, July to September 2014 to February to April 2026

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Comparison of employee estimates over time, UK, July to September 2014 to February to April 2026



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 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 HM Revenue and Customs's 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](#). This 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. Alongside our July publication, we plan to publish a new edition of our LFS quality article, which will include presenting information on RTI payrolled employees, relative to the population.

4 . Latest indicators at a glance

5 . Data on labour market

[Summary of labour market statistics](#)

Dataset A01 | Released 18 June 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 18 June 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's (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](#).

Pre-release data

The Bank of England was granted exceptional pre-release access to our Labour market overview, UK: June 2026 bulletin and accompanying datasets at 8:30am on Monday 15 June 2026. This was so that the data were available for the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting held that day. For further information, see the [Exchange of letters requesting exceptional pre-release access](#).

Revisions

In the July 2026 edition of this bulletin, we plan to implement the results of a review of the seasonal adjustment of Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates. This is expected to result in revisions to series back to the start of 2020.

We are also currently reviewing the seasonal adjustment parameters as part of the average weekly earnings annual review. The review may lead to revisions to the entire historical average weekly earnings time series and will be implemented either in our July 2026 or August 2026 publication.

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: 21 May 2026](#)

Bulletin | Released 21 May 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: 4 June 2026](#)

Bulletin | Released 4 June 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 18 June 2026

Series	Reference period	Latest estimate	Last time higher	Last time lower	Comparable data begins in
Employment level (aged 16 and over)	Feb-Apr 2026	34.410 million	Never	Jan-Mar 2026 (34.392 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Employment rate (aged 16 to 64)	Feb-Apr 2026	75.0%	Nov-Jan 2026 (75.1%)	Aug-Oct 2025 (74.9%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Unemployment level (aged 16 and over)	Feb-Apr 2026	1.764 million	Jan-Mar 2026 (1.806 million)	Jun-Aug 2025 (1.737 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Unemployment rate (aged 16 and over)	Feb-Apr 2026	4.9%	Jan-Mar 2026 (5.0%)	Jun-Aug 2025 (4.8%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Inactivity level (aged 16 to 64)	Feb-Apr 2026	9.136 million	Feb-Apr 2025 (9.187 million)	Jan-Mar 2026 (9.103 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Inactivity rate (aged 16 to 64)	Feb-Apr 2026	21.0%	May-Jul 2025 (21.1%)	Jan-Mar 2026 (20.9%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Average Earnings (total pay - nominal)	Feb-Apr 2026	4.4%	Sep-Nov 2025 (4.6%)	Dec-Feb 2026 (3.9%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (regular pay - nominal)	Feb-Apr 2026	3.4%	Dec-Feb 2026 (3.6%)	Aug-Oct 2020 (2.8%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (total pay - real)	Feb-Apr 2026	1.2%	Feb-Apr 2025 (1.3%)	Jan-Mar 2026 (1.1%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (regular pay - real)	Feb-Apr 2026	0.1%	Dec-Feb 2026 (0.2%)	Mar-May 2023 (-0.6%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Vacancies level	Mar-May 2026	0.707 million	Feb-Apr 2026 (0.709 million)	Feb-Apr 2021 (0.660 million)	Apr-Jun 2001

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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	LF20	MGRZ	LF24	MGSC	MGSX	LF2M	LF2S		
People										
Feb-Apr 2024	55,508	42,836	33,344	74.4	1,524	4.4	9,490	22.2		
Feb-Apr 2025	56,115	43,207	34,011	75.1	1,640	4.6	9,187	21.3		
May-Jul 2025	56,262	43,295	34,243	75.2	1,674	4.7	9,124	21.1		
Aug-Oct 2025	56,395	43,364	34,226	74.9	1,832	5.1	9,099	21.0		
Nov-Jan 2026	56,529	43,434	34,310	75.1	1,869	5.2	8,999	20.7		
Feb-Apr 2026	56,663	43,503	34,410	75.0	1,764	4.9	9,136	21.0		
Change on quarter	134	69	100	0.0	-105	-0.3	137	0.3		
Change %	0.2	0.2	0.3		-5.6		1.5			
Change on year	548	296	399	0.0	124	0.3	-51	-0.3		
Change %	1.0	0.7	1.2		7.6		-0.6			
Men										
Feb-Apr 2024	26,942	21,054	17,137	77.2	853	4.7	3,969	18.9		
Feb-Apr 2025	27,259	21,253	17,506	78.0	870	4.7	3,832	18.0		
May-Jul 2025	27,336	21,301	17,638	78.3	882	4.8	3,775	17.7		
Aug-Oct 2025	27,405	21,339	17,537	77.6	1,029	5.5	3,801	17.8		
Nov-Jan 2026	27,475	21,376	17,564	77.8	1,024	5.5	3,754	17.6		
Feb-Apr 2026	27,545	21,414	17,738	78.2	984	5.3	3,716	17.4		
Change on quarter	70	38	174	0.4	-40	-0.3	-38	-0.2		
Change %	0.3	0.2	1.0		-3.9		-1.0			
Change on year	286	161	232	0.1	114	0.5	-116	-0.7		
Change %	1.0	0.8	1.3		13.1		-3.0			
Women										
Feb-Apr 2024	28,566	21,782	16,207	71.7	671	4.0	5,521	25.3		
Feb-Apr 2025	28,856	21,954	16,505	72.2	770	4.5	5,355	24.4		
May-Jul 2025	28,926	21,994	16,605	72.2	792	4.6	5,349	24.3		
Aug-Oct 2025	28,990	22,026	16,689	72.4	802	4.6	5,297	24.1		
Nov-Jan 2026	29,055	22,057	16,746	72.5	845	4.8	5,245	23.8		
Feb-Apr 2026	29,118	22,089	16,672	72.0	780	4.5	5,421	24.5		
Change on quarter	64	31	-75	-0.5	-65	-0.3	176	0.8		
Change %	0.2	0.1	-0.4		-7.7		3.3			
Change on year	262	135	167	-0.2	10	0.0	66	0.1		
Change %	0.9	0.6	1.0		1.3		1.2			

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.

EMPLOYMENT AND JOBS

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	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 full-time	Self-employed people part-time	Total Workers with second jobs
				Unpaid family workers	MGRT	MGRW							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Feb-Apr 2024	33,344	28,871	4,354	74	45	25,017	8,327	21,998	6,872	2,969	1,386	1,226	
Feb-Apr 2025	34,011	29,432	4,403	119	57	25,479	8,532	22,478	6,954	2,936	1,468	1,347	
May-Jul 2025	34,243	29,646	4,432	115	49	25,633	8,610	22,617	7,029	2,957	1,475	1,301	
Aug-Oct 2025	34,226	29,669	4,374	115	69	25,584	8,642	22,597	7,072	2,906	1,467	1,302	
Nov-Jan 2026	34,310	29,724	4,394	122	71	25,523	8,787	22,560	7,164	2,894	1,500	1,302	
Feb-Apr 2026	34,410	29,654	4,566	138	51	25,654	8,755	22,660	6,995	2,945	1,621	1,277	
Change on quarter	100	-70	172	16	-20	131	-32	99	-169	51	121	-25	
Change %	0.3	-0.2	3.9	13.5	-27.7	0.5	-0.4	0.4	-2.4	1.8	8.1	-1.9	
Change on year	399	222	163	20	-6	175	223	182	41	10	153	-70	
Change %	1.2	0.8	3.7	16.4	-10.3	0.7	2.6	0.8	0.6	0.3	10.4	-5.2	
Men		MGR0	MGRR	MGRU	MGRX	YCBF	YCBI	YCBL	YCBO	YCBR	YCBU	YCBX	
Feb-Apr 2024	17,137	14,293	2,768	44	32	14,773	2,363	12,550	1,743	2,187	582	517	
Feb-Apr 2025	17,506	14,596	2,811	66	33	14,979	2,527	12,757	1,839	2,179	632	613	
May-Jul 2025	17,638	14,737	2,816	56	30	15,079	2,559	12,840	1,897	2,204	611	566	
Aug-Oct 2025	17,537	14,660	2,785	56	36	15,055	2,482	12,824	1,836	2,186	599	586	
Nov-Jan 2026	17,564	14,741	2,729	57	37	15,067	2,496	12,882	1,859	2,150	579	589	
Feb-Apr 2026	17,738	14,828	2,815	68	27	15,164	2,574	12,972	1,856	2,161	654	580	
Change on quarter	174	87	86	11	-10	97	77	90	-3	11	75	-8	
Change %	1.0	0.6	3.2	19.3	-27.3	0.6	3.1	0.7	-0.2	0.5	13.0	-1.4	
Change on year	232	232	4	3	-7	185	46	215	17	-18	22	-33	
Change %	1.3	1.6	0.1	4.0	-19.8	1.2	1.8	1.7	0.9	-0.8	3.4	-5.3	
Women		MGRP	MGRS	MGRV	MGRY	YCBG	YCBJ	YCBM	YCBP	YCBS	YCBV	YCBY	
Feb-Apr 2024	16,207	14,578	1,586	30	14	10,244	5,963	9,448	5,130	782	804	710	
Feb-Apr 2025	16,505	14,836	1,592	53	23	10,500	6,005	9,721	5,115	757	835	734	
May-Jul 2025	16,605	14,910	1,616	59	20	10,554	6,051	9,778	5,132	752	864	736	
Aug-Oct 2025	16,689	15,009	1,589	58	33	10,529	6,160	9,773	5,236	721	869	716	
Nov-Jan 2026	16,746	14,983	1,665	65	34	10,455	6,291	9,678	5,305	744	921	714	
Feb-Apr 2026	16,672	14,826	1,751	70	24	10,490	6,182	9,687	5,139	784	967	697	
Change on quarter	-75	-157	86	5	-10	35	-109	9	-166	41	45	-17	
Change %	-0.4	-1.0	5.2	8.4	-28.2	0.3	-1.7	0.1	-3.1	5.5	4.9	-2.3	
Change on year	167	-10	159	17	1	-10	177	-34	24	27	132	-37	
Change %	1.0	-0.1	10.0	31.8	3.4	-0.1	2.9	-0.3	0.5	3.6	15.8	-5.1	
	Temporary employees (reasons for temporary working)					Part-time workers (reasons for working part-time) ³							
	Total all employees	Total as % of permanent job	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	YCCX	YCCF	YCCI	YCCL	YCCO	YCCR	YCCU	YCCV	YCCD	YCCG	YCCJ	YCCK
Feb-Apr 2024	1,457	5.0	288	19.8	413	187	569	8,258	826	10.0	5,882	321	1,169
Feb-Apr 2025	1,601	5.4	398	24.9	448	144	610	8,422	893	10.6	5,785	483	1,220
May-Jul 2025	1,573	5.3	373	23.7	449	152	599	8,504	882	10.4	5,895	445	1,225
Aug-Oct 2025	1,606	5.4	378	23.5	415	175	638	8,539	850	10.0	5,940	461	1,233
Nov-Jan 2026	1,659	5.6	402	24.2	428	164	665	8,663	883	10.2	5,953	465	1,310
Feb-Apr 2026	1,577	5.3	366	23.2	428	153	630	8,616	878	10.2	5,953	463	1,267
Change on quarter	-82	-0.3	-36	-1.0	0	-11	-35	-48	-6	0.0	0	-1	-43
Change %	-5.0		-9.0		0.1	-6.7	-5.3	-0.6	-0.7		0.0	-0.3	-3.3
Change on year	-24	-0.1	-33	-1.7	-20	10	19	194	-15	-0.4	167	-20	47
Change %	-1.5		-8.2		-4.5	6.8	3.2	2.3	-1.7		2.9	-4.1	3.9
Men	YCCA	YCCD	YCCG	YCCJ	YCCM	YCCP	YCCS	YCCV	YCCY	YCCB	YCCD	YCCD	YCCD
Feb-Apr 2024	722	5.1	158	21.9	180	106	278	2,324	395	17.0	1,307	123	474
Feb-Apr 2025	720	4.9	196	27.2	179	80	264	2,471	381	15.4	1,368	185	525
May-Jul 2025	755	5.1	196	25.9	186	85	288	2,508	375	15.0	1,425	178	507
Aug-Oct 2025	765	5.2	188	24.5	185	92	301	2,434	346	14.2	1,393	162	513
Nov-Jan 2026	776	5.3	193	24.9	191	77	315	2,437	358	14.7	1,374	160	530
Feb-Apr 2026	733	4.9	196	26.8	185	70	282	2,510	382	15.2	1,412	167	541
Change on quarter	-42	-0.3	4	1.9	-7	-7	-32	72	24	0.5	37	7	11
Change %	-5.5		1.9		-3.5	-8.9	-10.3	3.0	6.7		2.7	4.6	2.1
Change on year	14	0.0	1	-0.4	5	-10	18	38	1	-0.2	43	-18	15
Change %	1.9		0.4		2.9	-12.4	6.7	1.6	0.3		3.2	-9.5	2.9
Women	YCCB	YCCD	YCCG	YCCJ	YCCN	YCCQ	YCCS	YCCV	YCCY	YCCB	YCCD	YCCD	YCCD
Feb-Apr 2024	735	5.0	130	17.7	233	81	291	5,933	432	7.3	4,576	198	695
Feb-Apr 2025	881	5.9	203	23.0	269	63	346	6,950	512	8.6	4,417	299	695
May-Jul 2025	818	5.5	178	21.7	263	67	311	5,996	507	8.5	4,470	267	718
Aug-Oct 2025	841	5.6	190	22.6	230	84	337	6,104	503	8.2	4,546	299	721
Nov-Jan 2026	883	5.9	209	23.7	237	87	350	6,226	525	8.4	4,579	305	780
Feb-Apr 2026	843	5.7	169	20.1	244	83	347	6,106	495	8.1	4,541	296	726
Change on quarter	-40	-0.2	-40	-3.6	7	-4	-3	-120	-30	-0.3	-38	-9	-54
Change %	-4.5		-19.1		3.0	-4.7	-0.7	-1.9	-5.7		-0.8	-2.9	-6.9
Change on year	-38	-0.3	-33	-2.9	-25	20	1	155	-17	-0.5	124	-2	32
Change %	-4.3		-16.4		-9.5	31.0	0.4	2.6	-3.2		2.8	-0.8	4.6

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).

- 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 (000s)	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
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	18.1	27,776	81.9	33,922	5,901	17.4	28,021	82.6
Mar 25	6,156 r	18.1	27,855 r	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	18.1	28,043	81.9	34,226	5,937	17.3	28,289	82.7
Dec 25	6,181 r	18.0	28,119 r	82.0	34,310	5,942 r	17.3	28,368 r	82.7
Mar 26	6,193	18.0	28,217	82	34,410	5,944	17.3	28,466	82.7
Change on quarter	2	0.0	98	0.0	100	2	0.0	98	0.0
Change %	0.0	-	0.3	-	0.3	0.0	-	0.3	-
Change on year	37	-0.1	362	0.1	399	32	-0.1	367	0.1
Change %	0.6	-	1.3	-	1.2	0.5	-	1.3	-

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

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

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
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	2,053	204	532	6,146
Mar 25	36	148	282	1,236	550	1,662	2,062 r	204	527	6,156 r
Jun 25	35	147	281	1,240	551	1,664	2,069	203	535	6,177
Sep 25	35	148	280	1,249	554	1,665	2,069	201	538	6,183
Dec 25	35	148	280	1,254 r	555	1,662 r	2,069 r	202	540	6,191 r
Mar 26	35	149	280	1,258	558	1,662	2,068	200	538	6,193
Change on quarter	0	1	0	4	3	0	-1	-2	-2	2
Change %	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.0	-0.0	-1.0	-0.4	0.0
Change on year	-1	1	-2	22	8	0	6	-4	11	37
Change %	-2.8	0.7	-0.7	1.8	1.5	0.0	0.3	-2.0	2.1	0.6

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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

	Workforce jobs	Employee jobs	Self-employment jobs ¹	HM Forces	Government-supported trainees ²
	1	2	3	4	5
	DYDC	BCAJ	DYZN	LOJX	LOJU
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	36,530	32,263	4,065	148	54
Dec 25 (r)	36,578	32,337	4,038	148	55
Mar 26 (p)	36,834	32,419	4,214	149	52
Change on quarter	256	81	177	0	-3
Change %	0.7	0.3	4.4	0.3	-5.7
Change on year	-98	30	-127	1	-2
Change %	-0.3	0.1	-2.9	0.7	-3.3

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	Agriculture, forestry & fishing	Mining & quarrying	Manufacturing	Electricity, gas, steam & air conditioning supply	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
	A-T	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
	DYDC	JWR5	JWR6	JWR7	JWR8	JWR9	JWS2	JWS3	JWS4	JWS5	JWS6
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	36,530	380	51	2,509	143	240	2,233	4,630	1,905	2,615	1,599
Dec 25 (r)	36,578	338	51	2,519	141	241	2,294	4,645	1,897	2,625	1,594
Mar 26 (p)	36,834	355	55	2,482	147	244	2,321	4,629	1,918	2,614	1,577
Change on quarter	256	17	4	-38	6	3	27	-16	21	-11	-17
Change %	0.7	5.1	7.3	-1.5	4.5	1.3	1.2	-0.3	1.1	-0.4	-1.1
Change on year	-98	7	-2	-81	4	0	8	-86	6	23	-58
Change %	-0.3	2.0	-3.0	-3.2	2.9	-0.1	0.3	-1.8	0.3	0.9	-3.6

SIC 2007 sections	Financial & insurance activities	Real estate activities	Professional scientific & technical activities	Administrative & support service activities	Public admin & defence; compulsory social security ¹	Education	Human health & social work activities	Arts, entertainment & recreation	Other service activities	People employed by households, etc.	Total services
	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	G-T
	JWS7	JWS8	JWS9	JWT2	JWT3	JWT4	JWT5	JWT6	JWT7	KW78	JWT8
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	1,110	717	3,454	2,944	1,762	3,122	5,018	1,081	958	59	30,974
Dec 25 (r)	1,100	723	3,448	2,991	1,775	3,101	5,029	1,071	949	46	30,994
Mar 26 (p)	1,112	728	3,492	2,995	1,794	3,137	5,090	1,104	980	61	31,230
Change on quarter	11	5	43	3	19	36	61	34	31	15	236
Change %	1.0	0.7	1.3	0.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	3.1	3.2	32.8	0.8
Change on year	-29	-1	23	-22	52	19	24	25	-12	0	-33
Change %	-2.5	0.2	0.7	-0.7	3.0	0.6	0.5	2.3	-1.2	0.4	-0.1

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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}		Full-time workers ³	Part-time workers ³	Second Jobs
	YBUS	YBUV	YBUY	YBVB	YBVE
People					
Feb-Apr 2024	1,064.2	31.9	36.5	16.5	9.7
Feb-Apr 2025	1,082.3	31.8	36.4	16.5	9.4
May-Jul 2025	1,088.0	31.8	36.5	16.5	9.4
Aug-Oct 2025	1,090.4	31.9	36.6	16.6	9.7
Nov-Jan 2026	1,090.2	31.8	36.6	16.6	9.5
Feb-Apr 2026	1,095.8	31.8	36.5	16.5	10.1
<i>Change on quarter</i>	5.7	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.7
<i>Change %</i>	0.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.7	6.9
<i>Change on year</i>	13.5	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.7
<i>Change %</i>	1.2	0.1	0.4	-0.1	7.9
Men	YBUT	YBUW	YBUZ	YBVC	YBVF
Feb-Apr 2024	606.1	35.4	38.0	16.1	11.0
Feb-Apr 2025	613.9	35.1	37.9	15.9	10.0
May-Jul 2025	617.1	35.0	38.0	15.9	10.3
Aug-Oct 2025	619.8	35.3	38.2	16.1	10.9
Nov-Jan 2026	618.7	35.2	38.1	16.3	9.8
Feb-Apr 2026	624.6	35.2	38.0	16.4	11.2
<i>Change on quarter</i>	5.9	0.0	-0.1	0.1	1.4
<i>Change %</i>	0.9	0.0	-0.3	0.5	14.2
<i>Change on year</i>	10.7	0.1	0.1	0.5	1.3
<i>Change %</i>	1.7	0.4	0.3	3.0	12.7
Women	YBUU	YBUX	YBVA	YBVD	YBVG
Feb-Apr 2024	458.1	28.3	34.3	16.7	8.8
Feb-Apr 2025	468.4	28.4	34.3	16.8	8.9
May-Jul 2025	470.9	28.4	34.4	16.7	8.8
Aug-Oct 2025	470.6	28.2	34.3	16.8	8.7
Nov-Jan 2026	471.4	28.2	34.4	16.7	9.2
Feb-Apr 2026	471.3	28.3	34.5	16.6	9.2
<i>Change on quarter</i>	-0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0
<i>Change %</i>	0.0	0.4	0.2	-1.1	0.4
<i>Change on year</i>	2.8	-0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.3
<i>Change %</i>	0.6	-0.4	0.5	-1.3	3.5

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.

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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
Feb-Apr 2025									
Less than 6 Hours	1.4	1.1	1.8	0.9	0.6	1.1	4.6	3.0	7.5
6 up to 15 hours	6.0	3.8	8.3	5.2	3.1	7.1	10.7	6.6	18.0
16 up to 30 hours	18.9	10.9	27.4	18.1	9.5	26.5	24.5	17.9	36.1
31 up to 45 hours	59.9	65.2	54.2	63.0	68.9	57.2	39.8	46.6	27.7
Over 45 hours	13.8	19.0	8.3	12.9	17.8	8.1	20.4	25.8	10.8
Total (thousands)	34,011	17,506	16,505	29,432	14,596	14,836	4,403	2,811	1,592
Nov-Jan 2026									
Less than 6 Hours	1.5	1.1	1.9	0.9	0.6	1.2	4.3	2.8	6.9
6 up to 15 hours	6.3	3.9	8.8	5.5	3.3	7.7	10.9	6.3	18.5
16 up to 30 hours	18.5	10.3	27.0	17.6	8.8	26.2	24.2	17.7	34.9
31 up to 45 hours	59.9	65.6	53.8	62.9	69.2	56.7	40.5	47.3	29.2
Over 45 hours	13.9	19.1	8.4	13.1	18.0	8.2	20.1	25.9	10.5
Total (thousands)	34,310	17,564	16,746	29,724	14,741	14,983	4,394	2,729	1,665
Feb-Apr 2026									
Less than 6 Hours	1.4	1.1	1.8	0.8	0.6	1.1	4.3	2.7	6.9
6 up to 15 hours	6.3	3.9	8.8	5.5	3.3	7.7	10.6	6.7	16.9
16 up to 30 hours	18.4	10.5	26.7	17.3	8.9	25.6	25.9	18.7	37.4
31 up to 45 hours	60.1	65.7	54.1	63.4	69.7	57.1	39.4	45.7	29.2
Over 45 hours	13.9	18.9	8.6	13.0	17.6	8.5	19.8	26.1	9.6
Total (thousands)	34,410	17,738	16,672	29,654	14,828	14,826	4,566	2,815	1,751

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

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Employment by country of birth and nationality

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[EMP06 Dataset](#)

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[A12 Dataset](#)

UNEMPLOYMENT

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
People				YBWF	YBWG	YBWH	YBWI	YBWL				LF2Y	LF32	LF34	LF36	LF38			
Feb-Apr 2024	1,524	4.4		930	239	356	23.3	170	1,477	4.4		908	235	335	22.7	162			
Feb-Apr 2025	1,640	4.6		995	266	379	23.1	172	1,590	4.7		984	259	347	21.8	164			
May-Jul 2025	1,674	4.7		975	307	391	23.4	177	1,624	4.8		956	299	368	22.7	167			
Aug-Oct 2025	1,832	5.1	1,064	334	433	23.7	181	1,779	5.2	1,039	316	424	23.9	170					
Nov-Jan 2026	1,869	5.2	1,051	346	472	25.3	196	1,819	5.3	1,019	335	465	25.6	182					
Feb-Apr 2026	1,764	4.9		981	346	438	24.8	196	1,720	5.0		974	337	409	23.8	185			
Change on quart	-105	-0.3		-70	0	-35	-0.5	0	-99	-0.3		-45	2	-56	-1.8	2			
Change %	-5.6			-6.7	0.0	-7.4		0.0	-5.5			-4.5	0.7	-12.1		1.2			
Change on year	124	0.3		-15	80	58	1.7	23	130	0.3		-10	78	62	2.0	20			
Change %	7.6			-1.5	30.2	15.4		13.4	8.2			-1.0	30.2	17.9		12.3			
Men				MGYK	MGYM	MGYO	YBWJ	YBWM				YBWP	YBWS	YBWW	YBWW	YBWB			
Feb-Apr 2024	853	4.7		479	133	242	28.3	126	828	4.8		468	129	231	27.9	123			
Feb-Apr 2025	870	4.7		516	128	226	26.0	103	833	4.8		506	121	206	24.7	98			
May-Jul 2025	882	4.8		472	173	237	26.9	119	852	4.9		466	166	220	25.8	111			
Aug-Oct 2025	1,029	5.5		558	209	263	25.5	119	988	5.6		537	192	259	26.2	112			
Nov-Jan 2026	1,024	5.5		549	186	288	28.2	117	989	5.6		529	180	280	28.3	107			
Feb-Apr 2026	984	5.3		541	182	261	26.5	123	957	5.4		537	179	240	25.1	116			
Change on quart	-40	-0.3		-9	-3	-28	-1.7	6	-33	-0.2		9	-1	-40	-3.2	9			
Change %	-3.9			-1.6	-1.9	-9.6		5.4	-3.3			1.6	-0.5	-14.3		8.3			
Change on year	114	0.5		25	54	35	0.5	20	123	0.6		31	58	34	0.4	18			
Change %	13.1			4.8	42.6	15.3		19.7	14.8			6.1	47.8	16.7		17.9			
Women				MGYL	MGYN	MGYP	YBWK	YBWN				LF2Z	LF33	LF35	LF37	LF39			
Feb-Apr 2024	671	4.0		451	106	114	17.0	44	649	4.0		440	106	104	16.0	39			
Feb-Apr 2025	770	4.5		479	138	153	19.9	70	756	4.6		477	138	141	18.7	66			
May-Jul 2025	792	4.6		504	135	154	19.5	58	772	4.6		491	133	148	19.2	56			
Aug-Oct 2025	802	4.6		506	126	170	21.2	62	791	4.7		502	124	165	20.9	58			
Nov-Jan 2026	845	4.8		501	160	184	21.8	79	830	4.9		490	155	185	22.3	76			
Feb-Apr 2026	780	4.5		440	163	177	22.7	72	763	4.6		436	158	169	22.1	69			
Change on quart	-65	-0.3		-62	4	-7	0.9	-6	-67	-0.4		-54	3	-16	-0.2	-7			
Change %	-7.7			-12.3	2.3	-3.8		-8.0	-8.1			-11.0	2.0	-8.7		-8.7			
Change on year	10	0.0		-39	26	24	2.8	3	7	0.0		-41	20	28	3.4	3			
Change %	1.3			-8.2	18.7	15.5		4.1	0.9			-8.6	14.7	19.5		4.0			
				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					
Feb-Apr 2024	131	27.1		97	20	14	11.0	*	452	11.9		288	78	86	19.1	29			
Feb-Apr 2025	124	28.4		92	24	8	6.5	*	501	12.7		331	66	104	20.8	34			
May-Jul 2025	160	32.1		111	37	12	7.4	*	461	11.6		271	81	110	23.8	42			
Aug-Oct 2025	188	36.6		129	33	26	13.9	4	546	13.4		342	80	125	22.9	39			
Nov-Jan 2026	134	29.3		89	29	16	11.7	*	598	14.5		368	100	129	21.7	37			
Feb-Apr 2026	147	30.7		94	34	19	13.0	3	588	14.5		347	107	133	22.7	45			
Change on quart	13	1.4		4	5	3	1.3	*	-10	0.0		-21	7	4	1.0	8			
Change %	9.7			5.0	17.3	22.1		*	-1.7			-5.6	6.8	2.9		22.1			
Change on year	23	2.4		2	10	11	6.5	*	87	1.8		16	41	29	1.9	11			
Change %	18.2			1.8	41.2	135.6		*	17.3			5.0	61.8	28.0		31.2			
Men			YBXE	YBXH	YBXK	YBXN	YBXQ			YBXT	YBXW	YBXZ	YBYC	YBYF					
Feb-Apr 2024	70	30.1		55	10	5	6.9	*	291	14.7		173	47	71	24.5	25			
Feb-Apr 2025	68	32.1		53	10	5	6.8	*	286	13.8		170	36	81	28.2	23			
May-Jul 2025	87	35.3		59	22	6	6.5	*	268	12.9		145	50	73	27.2	27			
Aug-Oct 2025	102	41.2		67	21	14	14.0	*	341	16.1		202	53	86	25.2	29			
Nov-Jan 2026	64	31.7		38	15	10	16.0	*	373	17.2		218	64	90	24.2	20			
Feb-Apr 2026	85	35.4		50	24	11	13.1	*	352	16.4		208	63	81	23.0	26			
Change on quart	21	3.7		12	8	1	-2.9	*	-21	-0.8		-10	-2	-9	-1.1	6			
Change %	32.8			30.3	55.4	8.8		*	-5.6			-4.7	-2.5	-10.1		30.7			
Change on year	16	3.3		-3	13	6	6.3	*	66	2.6		28	27	0	-5.2	3			
Change %	23.7			-6.5	128.5	137.3		*	23.0			22.6	75.3	0.5		14.0			
Women			YBXI	YBXL	YBXO	YBXR			YBXU	YBXX	YBYA	YBYD	YBYG						
Feb-Apr 2024	61	24.4		41	10	10	15.7	*	161	8.8		115	32	15	9.3	*			
Feb-Apr 2025	56	24.8		39	14	*	*	*	215	11.5		161	30	23	10.9	12			
May-Jul 2025	73	29.0		52	15	6	8.5	*	193	10.1		125	31	37	19.0	15			
Aug-Oct 2025	86	32.4		62	12	12	13.9	*	206	10.5		140	27	39	19.0	10			
Nov-Jan 2026	70	27.4		51	14	5	7.7	*	225	11.5		150	36	39	17.5	17			
Feb-Apr 2026	63	26.1		44	11	8	12.8	*	236	12.4		139	44	52	22.1	19			
Change on quart	-8	-1.3		-7	-3	3	5.1	*	11	0.9		-10	8	13	4.6	2			
Change %	-11.2			-14.0	-23.6	47.0		*	4.9			-6.9	23.6	32.6		12.0			
Change on year	6	1.3		5	-3	*	*	*	21	0.9		-22	14	29	11.2	8			
Change %	11.5			13.2	-22.9	*	*	*	9.7			-13.6	46.0	123.0		65.5			

Source: Labour Force Survey

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UNEMPLOYMENT

9(2) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	25-49							50 and over						
	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
People	MGVI	MGXB	YBYH	YBYK	YBVN	YBYO	YBYT	YBYT	YBWW	YBYW	YBYZ	YBZC	YBZF	YBZI
Feb-Apr 2024	634	3.3	387	85	161	25.4	74	307	2.8	159	55	94	30.5	67
Feb-Apr 2025	669	3.4	398	113	159	23.7	80	345	3.0	175	62	108	31.4	57
May-Jul 2025	685	3.4	395	126	164	24.0	76	368	3.2	198	64	106	28.7	58
Aug-Oct 2025	742	3.7	414	144	184	24.8	84	355	3.1	179	78	98	27.6	54
Nov-Jan 2026	785	3.9	416	155	214	27.3	87	352	3.0	178	61	113	32.2	71
Feb-Apr 2026	689	3.4	367	140	182	26.5	81	340	2.9	173	64	103	30.3	65
Change on quart	-96	-0.5	-49	-15	-32	-0.8	-6	-12	-0.1	-5	3	-10	-1.9	-6
Change %	-12.2		-11.8	-9.8	-14.8		-6.4	-3.4		-2.9	5.7	-9.1		-8.8
Change on year	20	0.1	-31	27	24	2.8	1	-5	-0.1	-2	2	-6	-1.1	8
Change %	3.0		-7.7	24.0	15.0		1.6	-1.6		-1.1	3.4	-5.1		14.0
Men	YBYF	MGXC	YBYI	YBYL	YBYO	YBYR	YBYU	YBYU	YBVX	YBYX	YBZA	YBZD	YBZG	YBZJ
Feb-Apr 2024	309	3.1	161	40	107	34.8	61	183	3.1	89	36	58	31.6	40
Feb-Apr 2025	306	3.0	188	45	73	23.9	45	210	3.5	105	37	68	32.3	35
May-Jul 2025	322	3.2	167	67	88	27.2	48	205	3.4	99	35	71	34.7	44
Aug-Oct 2025	379	3.7	196	81	102	27.0	52	207	3.4	93	54	61	29.2	37
Nov-Jan 2026	393	3.8	200	72	120	30.6	51	195	3.2	93	34	68	34.9	45
Feb-Apr 2026	356	3.5	189	66	100	28.1	49	192	3.2	94	30	69	35.8	46
Change on quart	-37	-0.4	-11	-6	-20	-2.5	-2	-3	-0.1	1	-4	1	0.8	1
Change %	-9.4		-5.3	-8.5	-16.8		-3.5	-1.5		0.7	-12.3	0.9		1.4
Change on year	50	0.4	2	22	27	4.2	4	-18	-0.3	-12	-7	1	3.5	11
Change %	16.4		0.8	48.6	36.9		9.4	-8.6		-11.0	-20.2	1.3		30.5
Women	YBYG	MGXD	YBYJ	YBYM	YBYP	YBYS	YBYV	YBYV	YBYV	YBYV	YBZB	YBZE	YBZH	YBZK
Feb-Apr 2024	324	3.4	226	45	54	16.6	13	124	2.4	70	18	36	28.8	27
Feb-Apr 2025	364	3.7	210	68	86	23.5	35	135	2.5	69	25	41	30.1	22
May-Jul 2025	363	3.7	227	59	77	21.1	28	163	3.0	99	29	34	21.2	14
Aug-Oct 2025	363	3.7	218	63	82	22.5	33	148	2.7	86	24	38	25.5	18
Nov-Jan 2026	392	4.0	216	83	94	23.9	36	157	2.8	85	27	45	28.8	26
Feb-Apr 2026	333	3.4	178	73	82	24.7	32	148	2.7	79	35	34	23.2	19
Change on quart	-59	-0.6	-38	-9	-11	0.8	-4	-9	-0.2	-6	8	-11	-5.6	-7
Change %	-15.0		-17.8	-11.1	-12.2		-10.5	-5.8		-6.9	28.0	-24.1		-26.4
Change on year	-30	-0.3	-32	5	-3	1.2	-3	13	0.2	10	10	-6	-6.9	-3
Change %	-8.3		-15.4	7.9	-3.7		-8.5	9.4		13.8	38.1	-15.7		-12.3

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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
Feb-Apr 2024	34,868	33,346	484	3,815	7,903	11,518	9,626	1,523
Feb-Apr 2025	35,651	34,020	439	3,937	8,004	11,835	9,805	1,631
May-Jul 2025	35,917	34,171	498	3,989	8,036	11,868	9,780	1,746
Aug-Oct 2025	36,058	34,266	514	4,076	8,044	11,859	9,774	1,793
Nov-Jan 2026	36,179	34,435	458	4,117	8,087	11,960	9,813	1,744
Feb-Apr 2026	36,173	34,367	479	4,044	8,098	11,925	9,821	1,807
Change on quarter	-5	-68	21	-73	11	-35	8	63
Change %	0.0	-0.2	4.6	-1.8	0.1	-0.3	0.1	3.6
Change on year	523	347	40	107	94	90	16	176
Change %	1.5	1.0	9.1	2.7	1.2	0.8	0.2	10.8
Men	MGSF	YBSL	YBZM	YBZP	YBZS	YBZV	YBZY	YCAE
Feb-Apr 2024	17,990	17,085	233	1,982	4,019	5,854	4,998	905
Feb-Apr 2025	18,376	17,421	213	2,066	4,113	5,984	5,046	955
May-Jul 2025	18,519	17,525	246	2,076	4,143	6,011	5,050	994
Aug-Oct 2025	18,567	17,537	248	2,119	4,138	5,995	5,036	1,030
Nov-Jan 2026	18,587	17,622	201	2,165	4,152	6,074	5,030	965
Feb-Apr 2026	18,722	17,698	239	2,141	4,168	6,105	5,045	1,023
Change on quarter	134	76	38	-24	16	32	15	58
Change %	0.7	0.4	19.0	-1.1	0.4	0.5	0.3	6.0
Change on year	346	277	26	75	55	122	-1	69
Change %	1.9	1.6	12.3	3.6	1.3	2.0	0.0	7.2
Women	MGSF	LF2L	YBZQ	YBZT	YBZW	LF3B	LFK9	
Feb-Apr 2024	16,879	16,261	251	1,833	3,884	5,664	4,628	618
Feb-Apr 2025	17,275	16,599	226	1,871	3,892	5,851	4,759	676
May-Jul 2025	17,397	16,646	253	1,913	3,893	5,857	4,731	752
Aug-Oct 2025	17,491	16,729	265	1,956	3,906	5,863	4,737	763
Nov-Jan 2026	17,591	16,812	257	1,951	3,935	5,886	4,783	779
Feb-Apr 2026	17,452	16,668	240	1,903	3,930	5,819	4,776	784
Change on quarter	-140	-144	-17	-49	-5	-67	-7	5
Change %	-0.8	-0.9	-6.7	-2.5	-0.1	-1.1	-0.1	0.6
Change on year	177	69	14	32	39	-32	17	107
Change %	1.0	0.4	6.1	1.7	1.0	-0.5	0.4	15.9

Economic activity rates (%)

People	MGWG	LF22	YCAC	YCAJ	YCAM	YCAP	LF2C	LFL2
Feb-Apr 2024	62.8	77.8	30.5	67.0	86.9	87.3	72.6	12.0
Feb-Apr 2025	63.5	78.7	27.0	68.1	87.5	88.3	74.0	12.6
May-Jul 2025	63.8	78.9	30.5	68.7	87.8	88.2	73.8	13.5
Aug-Oct 2025	63.9	79.0	31.5	69.9	87.8	87.8	73.9	13.8
Nov-Jan 2026	64.0	79.3	28.0	70.3	88.3	88.1	74.3	13.3
Feb-Apr 2026	63.8	79.0	29.3	68.7	88.4	87.5	74.4	13.7
Change on quarter	-0.2	-0.3	1.3	-1.5	0.1	-0.6	0.2	0.4
Change on year	0.3	0.3	2.3	0.7	0.9	-0.8	0.4	1.1
Men	MGWH	MGSP	YCAH	YCAK	YCAN	YCAQ	MGWQ	MGWT
Feb-Apr 2024	66.8	81.1	28.6	68.4	90.2	91.5	77.0	15.4
Feb-Apr 2025	67.4	82.0	25.6	70.0	91.5	92.1	77.9	15.9
May-Jul 2025	67.7	82.3	29.4	70.0	92.0	92.2	78.0	16.5
Aug-Oct 2025	67.7	82.2	29.7	71.1	91.8	91.6	77.9	17.0
Nov-Jan 2026	67.7	82.4	24.0	72.3	92.0	92.4	77.9	15.8
Feb-Apr 2026	68.0	82.6	28.6	71.2	92.3	92.4	78.2	16.7
Change on quarter	0.3	0.2	4.6	-1.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.9
Change on year	0.6	0.7	3.0	1.2	0.8	0.3	0.4	0.8
Women	MGWI	LF23	YCAI	YCAL	YCAO	YCAR	LF2D	LFL3
Feb-Apr 2024	59.1	74.7	32.5	65.6	83.6	83.4	68.3	9.1
Feb-Apr 2025	59.9	75.6	28.5	66.0	83.6	84.8	70.3	9.8
May-Jul 2025	60.1	75.7	31.7	67.3	83.7	84.5	69.9	10.8
Aug-Oct 2025	60.3	75.9	33.3	68.6	84.0	84.2	70.0	11.0
Nov-Jan 2026	60.5	76.2	32.2	68.1	84.7	84.2	70.8	11.1
Feb-Apr 2026	59.9	75.5	30.1	66.2	84.7	82.8	70.8	11.1
Change on quarter	-0.6	-0.8	-2.2	-2.0	0.0	-1.3	0.0	0.0
Change on year	0.1	-0.1	1.6	0.1	1.0	-1.9	0.5	1.4

Data source: Labour Force Survey

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

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

11 Economic inactivity: reasons

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Economic inactivity by reason (aged 16 to 64)									
	Economic inactivity by reason (aged 16 to 64)								Wanting/not wanting a job (aged 16 to 64)	
	Student	Looking after family / home	Temp sick	Long-term sick	Discouraged workers ¹	Retired	Other ²	Does not want job	Wants a job	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
People	LF63	LF65	LF67	LF69	LFL8	LF6B	LF6D	LFL9	LFM2	
Feb-Apr 2024	9,490	2,549	1,751	208	2,839	15	1,094	1,033	7,743	1,747
Feb-Apr 2025	9,187	2,462	1,606	170	2,796	38	1,036	1,080	7,199	1,988
May-Jul 2025	9,124	2,368	1,615	193	2,797	27	1,041	1,084	7,093	2,032
Aug-Oct 2025	9,099	2,350	1,585	190	2,810	41	1,043	1,080	6,968	2,131
Nov-Jan 2026	8,999	2,401	1,523	201	2,774	32	1,012	1,055	6,926	2,073
Feb-Apr 2026	9,136	2,443	1,567	198	2,779	27	1,044	1,078	6,953	2,183
Change on quarter	137	42	44	-3	5	-5	32	22	28	110
Change %	1.5	1.8	2.9	-1.4	0.2	-16.3	3.2	2.1	0.4	5.3
Change on year	-51	-18	-39	28	-18	-10	8	-2	-246	195
Change %	-0.6	-0.7	-2.4	16.8	-0.6	-27.7	0.8	-0.2	-3.4	9.8
Men	BEEEX	BEAQ	BEDI	BEDL	YCFP	BEDR	BEDU	YBWA	YBWD	
Feb-Apr 2024	3,969	1,263	277	125	1,312	7	497	489	3,201	768
Feb-Apr 2025	3,832	1,200	248	97	1,290	19	462	517	2,946	887
May-Jul 2025	3,775	1,170	215	94	1,309	14	474	500	2,859	916
Aug-Oct 2025	3,801	1,187	214	91	1,335	23	487	466	2,861	940
Nov-Jan 2026	3,754	1,202	219	102	1,290	20	468	453	2,809	945
Feb-Apr 2026	3,716	1,193	222	99	1,245	14	484	458	2,744	972
Change on quarter	-38	-9	3	-3	-45	-5	16	5	-66	27
Change %	-1.0	-0.8	1.3	-2.9	-3.5	-26.6	3.4	1.1	-2.3	2.9
Change on year	-116	-7	-26	2	-45	-4	22	-59	-202	86
Change %	-3.0	-0.6	-10.5	2.4	-3.5	-23.7	4.9	-11.4	-6.9	9.7
Women	LF64	LF66	LF68	LF6A	LFM3	LF6C	LF6E	LFM4	LFM5	
Feb-Apr 2024	5,521	1,286	1,474	83	1,527	9	598	544	4,542	979
Feb-Apr 2025	5,355	1,261	1,358	73	1,507	19	574	563	4,254	1,101
May-Jul 2025	5,349	1,197	1,400	99	1,488	13	567	584	4,233	1,116
Aug-Oct 2025	5,297	1,163	1,371	99	1,475	18	556	615	4,107	1,190
Nov-Jan 2026	5,245	1,199	1,304	99	1,484	13	544	602	4,117	1,128
Feb-Apr 2026	5,421	1,250	1,345	99	1,534	13	560	620	4,210	1,211
Change on quarter	176	51	41	0	50	0	16	17	93	82
Change %	3.3	4.3	3.1	0.1	3.4	-0.5	2.9	2.9	2.3	7.3
Change on year	66	-11	-13	26	27	-6	-14	57	-44	109
Change %	1.2	-0.9	-1.0	35.7	1.8	-31.7	-2.5	10.0	-1.0	9.9
Percentage of economically inactive aged from 16 to 64 (%)										
People	LF6V	LF6X	LF6Z	LF73	LF75	LF77	LF79	LF7B	LF7D	LF7F
Feb-Apr 2024	100.0	26.9	18.5	2.2	29.9	0.2	11.5	10.9	81.6	18.4
Feb-Apr 2025	100.0	26.8	17.5	1.8	30.4	0.4	11.3	11.8	78.4	21.6
May-Jul 2025	100.0	26.0	17.7	2.1	30.7	0.3	11.4	11.9	77.7	22.3
Aug-Oct 2025	100.0	25.8	17.4	2.1	30.9	0.5	11.5	11.9	76.6	23.4
Nov-Jan 2026	100.0	26.7	16.9	2.2	30.8	0.4	11.2	11.7	77.0	23.0
Feb-Apr 2026	100.0	26.7	17.1	2.2	30.4	0.3	11.4	11.8	76.1	23.9
Men	BEBP	BEEH	BEEK	BEEEN	BEEQ	BEEET	BEEW	BEEZ	BEAS	BEGT
Feb-Apr 2024	100.0	31.8	7.0	3.1	33.1	0.2	12.5	12.3	80.7	19.3
Feb-Apr 2025	100.0	31.3	6.5	2.5	33.7	0.5	12.1	13.5	76.9	23.1
May-Jul 2025	100.0	31.0	5.7	2.5	34.7	0.4	12.6	13.2	75.7	24.3
Aug-Oct 2025	100.0	31.2	5.6	2.4	35.1	0.6	12.8	12.3	75.3	24.7
Nov-Jan 2026	100.0	32.0	5.8	2.7	34.4	0.5	12.5	12.1	74.8	25.2
Feb-Apr 2026	100.0	32.1	6.0	2.7	33.5	0.4	13.0	12.3	73.8	26.2
Women	LF6W	LF6Y	LF72	LF74	LF76	LF78	LF7A	LF7C	LF7E	LF7G
Feb-Apr 2024	100.0	23.3	26.7	1.5	27.7	0.2	10.8	9.9	82.3	17.7
Feb-Apr 2025	100.0	23.6	25.4	1.4	28.1	0.3	10.7	10.5	79.4	20.6
May-Jul 2025	100.0	22.4	26.2	1.8	27.8	0.2	10.6	10.9	79.1	20.9
Aug-Oct 2025	100.0	22.0	25.9	1.9	27.8	0.3	10.5	11.6	77.5	22.5
Nov-Jan 2026	100.0	22.9	24.9	1.9	28.3	0.2	10.4	11.5	78.5	21.5
Feb-Apr 2026	100.0	23.1	24.8	1.8	28.3	0.2	10.3	11.4	77.7	22.3

Data Source: Labour Force Survey.

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1. Discouraged workers are those who are not looking for work because they believe no jobs are available.

2. 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 uncategorised 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

Feb-Apr 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	332	147	1,155	1,379	269	117	992	255	62	30	163
18-24	5,885	3,456	588	1,841	2,001	726	155	1,120	3,883	2,730	432	721
16-24	7,519	3,788	735	2,996	3,380	995	273	2,112	4,139	2,793	462	884

Men

16-17	837	155	85	598	697	122	64	511	140	33	20	87
18-24	3,009	1,790	352	868	956	325	87	544	2,053	1,465	264	323
16-24	3,846	1,944	436	1,465	1,653	446	152	1,055	2,193	1,498	285	410

Women

16-17	797	177	63	557	682	148	53	481	115	29	10	77
18-24	2,876	1,667	236	973	1,045	401	68	576	1,831	1,265	168	398
16-24	3,673	1,844	298	1,531	1,726	549	121	1,056	1,946	1,295	177	474

Changes on quarter

People

16-17	1	8	13	-20	-43	4	5	-53	44	4	8	33
18-24	26	-63	-10	99	60	-2	18	45	-34	-60	-28	54
16-24	27	-55	3	78	17	2	23	-8	10	-57	-20	86

Men

16-17	0	17	21	-38	-25	12	17	-54	25	5	4	16
18-24	15	-3	-21	39	36	11	12	13	-21	-14	-33	26
16-24	15	14	0	1	11	23	29	-41	4	-9	-30	43

Women

16-17	0	-9	-8	17	-18	-8	-12	1	18	-2	4	16
18-24	11	-60	11	60	24	-13	5	32	-13	-46	6	27
16-24	12	-69	3	77	6	-21	-6	34	5	-48	9	44

Rates(%)³

People

16-17	20.3	30.7	70.7		19.5	30.3	71.9		24.4	32.3	64.0	
18-24	58.7	14.5	31.3		36.3	17.6	56.0		70.3	13.7	18.6	
16-24	50.4	16.2	39.8		29.4	21.5	62.5		67.5	14.2	21.4	

Men

16-17	18.5	35.4	71.4		17.5	34.6	73.3		23.5	38.1	62.1	
18-24	59.5	16.4	28.8		33.9	21.2	56.9		71.4	15.3	15.8	
16-24	50.6	18.3	38.1		27.0	25.4	63.8		68.3	16.0	18.7	

Women

16-17	22.2	26.1	69.9		21.7	26.4	70.5		25.4	24.5	66.3	
18-24	58.0	12.4	33.8		38.4	14.5	55.1		69.1	11.7	21.7	
16-24	50.2	13.9	41.7		31.8	18.1	61.2		66.5	12.0	24.4	

Changes on quarter

People

16-17	0.5	1.4	-1.3		0.9	0.7	-1.5		-3.3	4.8	2.2	
18-24	-1.3	0.0	1.5		-1.3	1.7	0.6		-0.9	-0.5	1.5	
16-24	-0.9	0.2	0.9		-0.1	1.4	-0.6		-1.5	-0.3	2.0	

Men

16-17	2.1	3.7	-4.6		2.3	4.5	-5.0		-0.7	0.9	0.5	
18-24	-0.4	-0.8	1.2		-0.1	1.9	-0.8		0.1	-1.5	1.4	
16-24	0.2	-0.1	-0.1		1.2	3.0	-2.9		-0.5	-1.3	1.9	

Women

16-17	-1.2	-1.3	2.2		-0.5	-2.9	2.0		-6.4	8.6	4.1	
18-24	-2.3	0.9	2.0		-2.2	1.3	1.9		-2.0	0.7	1.6	
16-24	-2.0	0.6	2.0		-1.3	-0.2	1.7		-2.6	0.9	2.2	

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

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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/youngpeoplenotineducationemployment>

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
Apr 24	688	5.6	5.8	692	5.1	5.7	662	5.7	6.2
Feb 25 (r)	718	5.7	5.7	724	5.7	5.7	697	5.9	5.8
Mar 25 (r)	721	5.3	5.4	724	5.3	5.3	698	5.1	5.5
Apr 25 (r)	720	4.7	5.2	726	4.9	5.3	700	5.6	5.5
May 25	723	4.6	4.9	728	4.6	4.9 (r)	702	5.3	5.3
Jun 25	725	4.8	4.7 (r)	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)	747	3.9	3.9	750	3.7	3.6	732	5.0	5.2
Mar 26 (r)	754	4.7	4.4	757	4.6	4.3	731	4.7	4.9
Apr 26 (p)	753	4.6	4.4	757	4.3	4.2	741	5.8	5.2

	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	KAE2
Apr 24	676	5.7	5.8	930	5.3	7.0	659	5.8	6.2
Feb 25 (r)	705	5.6	5.8	956	3.2	4.4	695	6.2	6.2
Mar 25 (r)	707	5.0	5.2	970	1.7	2.8	698	5.7	6.0
Apr 25 (r)	709	4.9	5.1	977	5.0	3.3	700	6.2	6.1
May 25	710	4.6	4.8 (r)	961	2.0	2.9 (r)	701	5.8	5.9
Jun 25	712	4.8	4.8 (r)	969	2.3	3.1 (r)	706	6.5	6.2 (r)
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	731	5.0	4.3	1002	6.1	2.8	727	4.9	5.9
Feb 26 (r)	735	4.3	4.1	1007	5.4	3.5	730	5.0	5.1
Mar 26 (r)	742	5.0	4.8	1027	5.9	5.8	731	4.6	4.8
Apr 26 (p)	742	4.7	4.7	1009	3.3	4.9	741	5.8	5.1

	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	K5CI
Apr 24	759	6.8	6.4	763	3.2	2.2	452	5.3	4.4
Feb 25 (r)	787	6.4	5.9	816	8.0	6.3	483	9.5	6.4
Mar 25 (r)	794	5.3	6.0	816	10.4	8.3	478	7.0	6.9
Apr 25 (r)	785	3.5	5.1	806	5.5	8.0	483	6.8	7.8
May 25	792	4.4	4.4 (r)	802	4.7	6.9 (r)	486	7.0	7.0
Jun 25	804	5.4	4.4 (r)	813	4.9	5.0	481	5.5	6.5 (r)
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	810	3.7	4.2	795	-0.1	0.9	488	4.6	5.2
Feb 26 (r)	817	3.8	4.1	800	-2.1	-0.4	502	3.8	4.8
Mar 26 (r)	822	3.5	3.7	795	-2.6	-1.6	510	6.7	5.0
Apr 26 (p)	826	5.2	4.2	820	1.8	-1.0	506	4.7	5.0

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey
Earnings enquiries: 01633 456120

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

2. The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period. Email: earnings@ons.gov.uk

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
Apr 24	47	5.0	4.0	57	3.3	5.4	2	-50.3	-20.0
Feb 25 (r)	48	8.1	6.0	58	4.8	3.8	2	9.3	8.0
Mar 25 (r)	49	5.4	2.0	60	9.1	3.1	1	-55.2	-25.8
Apr 25 (r)	46	-0.8	4.2	56	-2.0	3.9	2	-0.8	-20.3
May 25	46	-0.1	1.5 (r)	57	-2.2	1.5 (r)	2	-40.7	-37.1 (r)
Jun 25	47	4.9	1.3 (r)	60	6.8	0.8 (r)	2	-54.7	-38.5 (r)
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	52	23.7	10.0	64	21.5	10.0	2	18.0	-17.0
Feb 26 (r)	53	10.4	8.2	64	10.3	8.0	3	30.3	0.3
Mar 26 (r)	55	13.0	15.3	66	10.6	13.8	2	48.9	30.5
Apr 26 (p)	55	19.0	14.1	68	20.6	13.7	3	69.1	47.0

	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			
Apr 24	47	1.8	3.8	112	4.1	5.1	1	-48.3	-28.1			
Feb 25 (r)	48	2.9	3.8	110	0.9	5.8	2	51.1	17.4			
Mar 25 (r)	50	6.9	1.8	122	8.9	2.5	2	11.3	6.5			
Apr 25 (r)	47	0.7	3.5	113	1.0	3.6	1	6.9	22.8			
May 25	47	-4.3	1.0 (r)	98	-14.4	-1.6 (r)	1	-28.5	-6.9 (r)			
Jun 25	48	3.9	0.0	119	0.3	-4.4 (r)	2	17.0	-3.8 (r)			
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	54	22.1	10.7	137	32.5	10.3	2	9.7	-18.3			
Feb 26 (r)	54	11.8	8.5	132	20.4	8.8	3	85.0	16.9			
Mar 26 (r)	56	11.8	15.0	134	9.1	20.0	2	32.1	44.7			
Apr 26 (p)	56	18.3	13.9	139	23.0	17.2	2	75.9	63.9			

	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
Apr 24	39	16.9	5.2	40	1.4	-6.1	27	2.0	-5.8
Feb 25 (r)	41	26.5	11.1	51	44.9	9.9	26	3.6	-5.0
Mar 25 (r)	38	8.7	15.4	50	65.5	31.0	27	4.4	-2.1
Apr 25 (r)	34	-13.3	5.9	44	11.7	38.4	27	2.3	3.4
May 25	38	0.0	-1.9 (r)	48	34.2	34.8 (r)	33	0.4	2.2 (r)
Jun 25	44	19.4	1.7 (r)	49	19.2	21.3 (r)	24	-9.1	-1.9 (r)
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	39	11.3	10.5	35	-2.7	-7.7	24	3.8	10.9
Feb 26 (r)	49	21.0	17.4	41	-20.6	-13.0	33	26.6	15.5
Mar 26 (r)	41	6.2	13.0	42	-16.9	-14.6	34	27.2	19.8
Apr 26 (p)	48	40.3	21.8	61	37.8	-1.6	32	19.0	24.2

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

Earnings enquiries: 01633 456120

Email: earnings@ons.gov.uk

- The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period.
- 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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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
Apr 24	642	5.7	5.9	637	5.5	5.7	661	6.0	6.3
Feb 25 (r)	670	5.8	5.9	665	5.8	6.0	695	5.9	5.7
Mar 25 (r)	671	5.0	5.6	664	4.8	5.6	697	5.3	5.6
Apr 25 (r)	674	5.1	5.3	668	4.9	5.2	700	5.8	5.7
May 25	677	5.0	5.0	671	4.9	4.9	701	5.5	5.6 (r)
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	692	3.3	3.6	684	2.9	3.2	729 (r)	4.9	5.2
Mar 26 (r)	694	3.4	3.4	685	3.1	3.1	729	4.5	4.8
Apr 26 (p)	697	3.4	3.4	687	2.9	2.9	740	5.8	5.1
	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
Apr 24	628	5.9	6.0	827	6.7	6.9	657	5.9	6.3
Feb 25 (r)	656	5.8	6.0	847	3.8	4.8	693	6.2	6.1
Mar 25 (r)	655	4.9	5.6	845	2.9	3.9	696	5.7	6.0
Apr 25 (r)	659	5.0	5.3	854	3.2	3.3	698	6.3	6.1
May 25	663	5.2	5.0	854	3.2	3.1	700	5.9	6.0 (r)
Jun 25	665	4.8	5.0	853	2.6	3.0	703	6.2	6.2 (r)
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)	679	3.5	3.7	870	2.6	2.4	727	4.9	5.1
Mar 26 (r)	679	3.6	3.6	868	2.7	2.6	727	4.6	4.8
Apr 26 (p)	684	3.7	3.6	873	2.2	2.5	739	5.8	5.1
	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
Apr 24	719	6.1	6.6	724	3.2	3.0	425	5.6	5.4
Feb 25	749	5.7	5.8	766	6.6	6.3	454	9.5	7.0
Mar 25 (r)	751	5.2	5.6	764	6.2	6.7	452	7.1	7.3
Apr 25 (r)	754	4.8	5.2	762	5.1	6.0	455	7.1	7.9
May 25	757	4.5	4.8	760	3.7	5.0	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	3.4	3.9	758	0.1	1.5	465	4.6	4.8
Feb 26	772	3.1	3.6	759 (r)	-0.9	0.5	466	2.7	4.2
Mar 26 (r)	775	3.2	3.2	756	-1.0	-0.6	470	4.0	3.8
Apr 26 (p)	776	2.9	3.1	760	-0.2	-0.7	472	3.7	3.5

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

Earnings enquiries: 01633 456120

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

2. The figure in brackets is the percentage of whole economy employment in that sector or industry for the latest time period. Email: earnings@ons.gov.uk

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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
Apr 24	688	5.6	5.8	525	2.5	2.3
Feb 25 (r)	718	5.7	5.7	529	2.1	2.0
Mar 25 (r)	721	5.3	5.4	530	1.5	1.7
Apr 25 (r)	720	4.7	5.2	527	0.4	1.3
May 25	723	4.6	4.9	527	0.4	0.8 (r)
Jun 25	725	4.8	4.7 (r)	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)	747	3.9	3.9	532	0.7	0.6
Mar 26 (r)	754	4.7	4.4	536	1.2	1.1
Apr 26 (p)	753	4.6	4.4	535	1.6	1.2

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
Apr 24	642	5.7	5.9	487	2.6	2.2
Feb 25	670	5.8	5.9	493	2.1 (r)	2.1
Mar 25 (r)	671	5.0	5.6	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	692	3.3	3.6	493	0.0	0.2
Mar 26 (r)	694	3.4	3.4	492	-0.1	0.1
Apr 26 (p)	697	3.4	3.4	494	0.5	0.1

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

Earnings enquiries: 01633 456120

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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.

17 International Comparisons of Employment and Unemployment rates

		Seasonally adjusted						Seasonally adjusted	
		Latest period	Employment rate (%) ¹	Change on quarter (percentage points)	Change on year (percentage points)	Latest Period	Unemployment rate (%) ¹	Change on quarter (percentage points)	Change on year (percentage points)
G7 Employment rates					G7 Unemployment				
United Kingdom ^{1,2,3}	2025 Q4	75.0	0.0	0.0	United Kingdom ^{1,2,3}	2025 Q4	5.2	0.2	0.8
Canada	2026 Q1	74.3	-0.1	0.0	Canada	2026 Q1	6.6	-0.1	-0.1
France	2025 Q4	69.4	0.0	0.4	France	2025 Q4	7.9	0.2	0.6
Germany ⁴	2025 Q4	77.4	0.1	-0.3	Germany ⁴	2025 Q4	3.9	0.1	0.5
Italy	2025 Q4	62.3	-0.1	0.1	Italy	2025 Q4	5.5	-0.7	-0.5
Japan	2026 Q1	80.2	-0.1	0.3	Japan	2026 Q1	2.7	0.1	0.2
United States ^{2,3,5}	2026 Q1	71.8	[x]	-0.1	United States ^{2,3,5}	2026 Q1	4.3	[x]	0.2

Source: OECD

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

- As figures are taken from OECD they will not match ONS published figures for the United Kingdom.
- Employment rate data is for ages 15 to 64. For the United Kingdom and the United States, the lower age limit is 16 years old.
- Unemployment rate data is for ages 15 and over. For the United Kingdom and the United States, the lower age limit is 16 years old.
- Estimated values are highlighted with shaded cells.
- [x] Data not available

18 Labour disputes

		not seasonally adjusted		
Time period and dataset code	Working days lost (thousands) ^{1,2}	number of stoppages ^{1,2,3}	Workers involved (thousands) ¹	
row				
Dataset identifier code	BBFW	BLUU	BLUT	
April 2020	[x]	[x]	[x]	
April 2021	[x]	[x]	[x]	
April 2022	20	59	5	
April 2023	318	580	169	
April 2024	17	63	11	
April 2025	51	47	6	
May 2025	39	44	5	
June 2025	37	51	6	
July 2025	90	225	27	
August 2025	15	18	4	
September 2025	47	49	11	
October 2025	36	38	5	
November 2025	143	251	44	
December 2025	119	254	35	
January 2026	31	63	6	
February 2026	41	44	5	
March 2026 [r]	23	43	6	
April 2026 [p]	120	238	36	

Data source: ONS Labour Disputes Survey

Labour disputes enquiries 01633 455400

- In April 2020, collection and publication of labour disputes data were temporarily suspended to protect and prioritise our outputs in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. In June 2022, collection of the Labour Disputes Inquiry restarted, but only for the period from January 2022 onwards.
 - As a result of difficulties in consistently defining a stoppage over time, the number of working days lost is considered to be a better indicator of the impact of labour disputes than the number of recorded stoppages.
 - A stoppage is defined as a dispute between a single trade union and a single employer. Where a union co-ordinates disputes with several employers, or several unions co-ordinate action with a single employer, this would be counted as multiple stoppages.
- [p] - provisional, [r] - revised, [x] - not available

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+
		AP2Y	ALY5	ALY6	ALY7	ALY8
Levels						
Mar-May 2024	885	141	134	134	190	285
Mar-May 2025 (r)	738	112	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	734	119	101	108	171	235
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	725	113	100	107	171	235
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	715	105	98	107	170	235
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	709	101	97	105	169	237
Mar-May 2026 (p)	707	97	97	105	169	238
Change on quarter *	-19	-16	-3	-2	-1	3
Change % *	-2.6	-13.9	-2.9	-2.0	-0.7	1.4
Change on year	-31	-15	-17	-2	1	2
Change %	-4.2	-13.3	-14.9	-2.0	0.3	0.9

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						
Feb-Apr 2024	885	1,524	1.7			
Feb-Apr 2025	759	1,640	2.2			
May-Jul 2025	724	1,674	2.3			
Aug-Oct 2025	728	1,832	2.5			
Nov-Jan 2026	734	1,869	2.5			
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	709	1,764	2.5			
Change on quarter	-25	-105	-0.1			
Change %	-3.4	-5.6				
Change on year	-51	124	0.3			
Change %	-6.7	7.6				

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 & communications
	B-S	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
	AP2Y	JP9H	JP9I	JP9J	JP9K	JP9L	JP9M	JP9N	JP9O	JP9P
Levels (thousands)										
Mar-May 2024	885	2	63	4	7	38	108	34	99	40
Mar-May 2025 (r)	738	1	49	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	734	1	52	3	6	29	91	34	75	38
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	725	1	50	3	6	27	88	35	73	40
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	715	1	50	3	6	28	89	33	71	36
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	709	1	51	3	7	30	86	32	70	39
Mar-May 2026 (p)	707	1	50	3	7	33	86	33	69	40
Change on quarter *	-19	0	1	0	0	5	-2	-2	-4	0
Change % *	-2.6	0.0	1.0	0.0	4.7	18.6	-2.3	-5.5	-5.1	-0.7
Change on year	-31	0	2	-1	0	0	-13	1	-10	5
Change %	-4.2	0.0	3.9	-17.5	-1.5	-0.9	-13.1	2.8	-12.3	14.0
	AP2Z	JPA2	JPA3	JPA4	JPA5	JPA6	JPA7	JPA8	JPA9	JPB2
Vacancies per 100 employee jobs										
Mar-May 2024	2.8	3.5	2.6	3.4	2.7	2.4	2.4	2.1	4.0	2.8
Mar-May 2025 (r)	2.3	2.5	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	2.5	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	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	1.7	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 (r)	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.8	1.8	2.0	2.0	2.8	2.7
Mar-May 2026 (p)	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.4	2.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.8	2.8
Change on quarter *	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0
Change on year	-0.1	0.0	0.1	-0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.1	-0.4	0.3
	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	G-S
SIC 2007 sections	JP9Q	JP9R	JP9S	JP9T	JP9U	JP9V	JP9W	JP9X	JP9Y	JP9Z
Levels (thousands)										
Mar-May 2024	34	15	90	64	32	58	160	19	19	773
Mar-May 2025 (r)	33	14	74	49	28	44	133	16	11	646
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	32	12	75	50	29	50	125	17	13	641
Dec-Feb 2026 (r)	32	11	75	51	29	47	125	16	15	636
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	32	12	74	49	29	47	126	14	15	627
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	32	9	71	50	29	48	126	13	14	618
Mar-May 2026 (p)	32	10	67	52	28	48	124	12	14	614
Change on quarter *	0	-2	-8	1	-2	1	-1	-4	-1	-23
Change % *	0.0	-13.4	-10.4	1.8	-5.1	2.1	-1.0	-25.2	-6.2	-3.6
Change on year	-1	-4	-8	3	0	4	-9	-4	3	-32
Change %	-3.4	-28.1	-10.1	5.9	0.4	9.1	-6.7	-25.2	26.9	-5.0
	JPB3	JPB4	JPB5	JPB6	JPB7	JPB8	JPB9	JPC2	JPC3	JPC4
Vacancies per 100 employee jobs										
Mar-May 2024	3.1	2.4	3.1	2.4	2.1	2.1	3.5	2.4	3.0	2.8
Mar-May 2025 (r)	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	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	1.8	2.5	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.7	2.0	2.3	2.3
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	3.0	1.9	2.5	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.7	1.7	2.3	2.3
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	3.0	1.5	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.7	1.6	2.3	2.2
Mar-May 2026 (p)	3.0	1.5	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.7	2.7	1.5	2.2	2.2
Change on quarter *	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.5	-0.1	-0.1
Change on year	-0.1	-0.6	-0.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	-0.2	-0.5	0.5	-0.1

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
Feb-Apr 2024	98	3.4	64	4.5	34	2.3
Feb-Apr 2025	102	3.5	72	4.9	30	2.0
May-Jul 2025	104	3.5	56	3.8	48	3.3
Aug-Oct 2025	156	5.3	90	6.1	66	4.5
Nov-Jan 2026	133	4.5	66	4.5	67	4.4
Feb-Apr 2026	113	3.8	60	4.1	52	3.5
Change on quarter	-20	-0.7	-6	-0.4	-14	-0.9
Change %	-15.2		-9.0		-21.3	
Change on year	11	0.3	-12	-0.8	22	1.5
Change %	10.6		-16.1		74.4	

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 February - April 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	36,173	79.0	34,410	75.0	1,764	4.9	9,136	21.0
K03000001	Great Britain	35,261	79.2	33,513	75.1	1,748	5.0	8,817	20.8
E92000001	England	30,926	79.5	29,356	75.4	1,570	5.1	7,580	20.5
E12000001	North East	1,331	74.9	1,260	71.1	71	5.4	429	25.1
E12000002	North West	3,968	78.4	3,768	74.4	200	5.0	1,047	21.6
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	2,880	77.3	2,714	72.7	166	5.8	807	22.7
E12000004	East Midlands	2,643	79.5	2,498	75.0	145	5.5	646	20.5
E12000005	West Midlands	3,108	77.5	2,944	73.3	164	5.3	863	22.5
E12000006	East	3,486	81.7	3,341	78.2	146	4.2	739	18.3
E12000007	London	5,250	79.7	4,904	74.2	346	6.6	1,277	20.3
E12000008	South East	5,154	81.4	4,958	78.2	196	3.8	1,107	18.6
E12000009	South West	3,106	81.4	2,970	77.8	136	4.4	664	18.6
W92000004	Wales	1,553	75.2	1,494	72.3	59	3.8	484	24.8
S92000003	Scotland	2,782	77.8	2,663	74.3	119	4.3	753	22.2
N92000002	Northern Ireland	912	73.2	896	71.9	16	1.7	319	26.8

Change on quarter (change since November 2025 - January 2026)

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	-5	-0.3	100	0.0	-105	-0.3	137	0.3
K03000001	Great Britain	-3	-0.3	98	-0.1	-101	-0.3	136	0.3
E92000001	England	-18	-0.4	98	0.0	-116	-0.4	145	0.4
E12000001	North East	-4	-0.7	19	1.0	-23	-1.7	12	0.7
E12000002	North West	59	1.2	43	0.9	16	0.3	-57	-1.2
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	-16	-0.6	-9	-0.5	-7	-0.2	23	0.6
E12000004	East Midlands	-14	-1.0	-12	-0.8	-2	-0.1	31	1.0
E12000005	West Midlands	-14	-0.8	11	0.1	-26	-0.8	31	0.8
E12000006	East	-30	-0.4	-24	-0.3	-5	-0.1	16	0.4
E12000007	London	-4	-0.5	67	0.5	-70	-1.3	31	0.5
E12000008	South East	14	-0.6	26	-0.3	-12	-0.2	36	0.6
E12000009	South West	-9	-0.6	-23	-1.0	14	0.5	21	0.6
W92000004	Wales	14	0.6	9	0.4	5	0.3	-11	-0.6
S92000003	Scotland	1	-0.1	-9	-0.5	11	0.4	3	0.1
N92000002	Northern Ireland	-2	-0.1	2	0.3	-4	-0.4	1	0.1

Change on year (change since February - April 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	523	0.3	399	0.0	124	0.3	-51	-0.3
K03000001	Great Britain	525	0.3	400	0.0	124	0.3	-50	-0.3
E92000001	England	541	0.4	405	0.0	136	0.4	-82	-0.4
E12000001	North East	67	3.0	59	2.8	7	0.3	-48	-3.0
E12000002	North West	128	1.5	100	1.0	27	0.5	-65	-1.5
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	91	1.6	55	0.6	37	1.1	-51	-1.6
E12000004	East Midlands	81	1.2	46	0.1	35	1.2	-32	-1.2
E12000005	West Midlands	78	1.3	70	1.2	8	0.1	-43	-1.3
E12000006	East	4	-0.8	16	-0.5	-12	-0.3	39	0.8
E12000007	London	99	0.3	80	0.0	18	0.2	-9	-0.3
E12000008	South East	11	-1.1	26	-0.8	-14	-0.3	75	1.1
E12000009	South West	-17	-1.4	-46	-2.3	29	1.0	53	1.4
W92000004	Wales	4	-0.6	18	0.1	-14	-0.9	15	0.6
S92000003	Scotland	-20	-0.5	-23	-0.7	2	0.1	17	0.5
N92000002	Northern Ireland	-2	0.1	-2	0.2	-1	-0.1	-1	-0.1

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	March 2026	Change on December 2025
K02000001	United Kingdom	36,834	256
K03000001	Great Britain	35,858	242
E92000001	England	31,578	258
E12000001	North East	1,236	-15
E12000002	North West	3,984	-4
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	2,872	25
E12000004	East Midlands	2,515	27
E12000005	West Midlands	3,000	16
E12000006	East	3,339	35
E12000007	London	6,466	44
E12000008	South East	5,063	116
E12000009	South West	3,103	14
W92000004	Wales	1,461	2
S92000003	Scotland	2,820	-18
N92000002	Northern Ireland	968	14

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.