

Statistical bulletin

Labour market overview, UK: July 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 85,000 (0.3%) between May 2025 and May 2026. However, it was largely unchanged on the month, increasing by 3,000 (0.0%) between April and May 2026. This is based on administrative data from HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC).

When looking at March to May 2026, the period comparable with our Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates, the number of payrolled employees fell by 90,000 (0.3%) over the year and by 30,000 (0.1%) over the quarter.

The early estimate of payrolled employees for June 2026 decreased by 71,000 (0.2%) on the year, but was largely unchanged on the month, decreasing by just 4,000 (0.0%) to 30.3 million. Figures for June should be treated as provisional estimates and are likely to be revised when more data are received next month. We publish information on [revisions to payrolled employees](#) monthly. We have also 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 75.1% in March to May 2026. This is down 0.1 percentage points on the year but up 0.1 percentage points on the latest quarter.

The UK unemployment rate for people aged 16 years and over was estimated at 4.9% in March to May 2026. This is up 0.2 percentage points on the year but down 0.1 percentage points on the latest quarter.

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

The UK Claimant Count for June 2026 increased on the month but decreased on the year to an estimated 1.689 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. We publish information on [Claimant Count revisions](#) each month. Our [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 April to June 2026 suggest a decrease of 7,000 (0.9%) to 712,000, compared with January to March 2026.

Annual growth in employees' average earnings in Great Britain was 3.4% for regular earnings (excluding bonuses) and 4.3% for total earnings (including bonuses) in March to May 2026. Annual average regular earnings growth was 5.5% for the public sector and 2.9% for the private sector. Public sector annual pay growth continues to be affected by variations in the timing of pay awards 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.

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There were an estimated 26,000 working days lost because of labour disputes across the UK in May 2026.

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

3 . Trends and considerations around comparisons

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

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) is our survey of households and remains the lead measure for data on labour market participation. Workforce jobs (WFJ) primarily uses business surveys to measure employee jobs with the LFS covering self-employment 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 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 showed 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. An LFS operational error occurred in May 2026 which led to temporary under-resourcing in LFS telephone collection operations. Our analysis to date indicates that the error had a minimal impact on the headline estimates, although, it does suggest there is a small but noticeable impact on the estimates of average hours and so the total actual hours worked. Further information is available in our [Labour Force Survey quality update: July 2026](#) article.

Unlike recent months, the latest quarter (March to May 2026) shows a divergence between the LFS and RTI estimates of employees. The LFS showed an increase of 115,000 employees aged 16 years and over, while comparable RTI data showed a decrease of 30,000 employees. This pattern is seen in both seasonally adjusted and non-seasonally adjusted data, suggesting it is unlikely to be the result of different treatment of seasonality. However, the LFS movement is within the sampling variability of the survey, while RTI estimates are subject to revision, particularly at the start of the financial year. Given this, we will assess whether this divergence is sustained once more data become available next month.

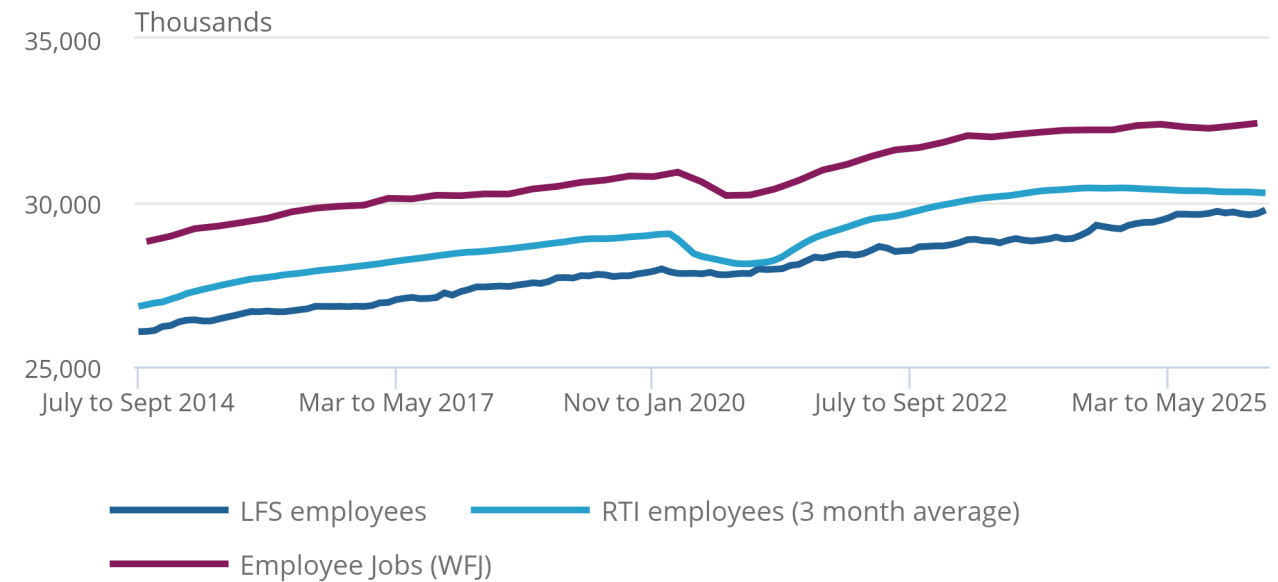
Our view remains that RTI currently provides the most reliable measure of employees. The number of payrolled employees continued to fall in the three months to May 2026. The latest flash estimate is largely unchanged on the month, with a small decrease of 4,000, though this is subject to revision when more data are received next month.

Figure 1: Employee measures shows a broadly coherent picture over the last year, suggesting a relatively steady labour market overall

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

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

Notes:

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

Further information

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

Alongside this labour market release in July, we have published our [Labour Force Survey quality update: July 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. It also includes an impact assessment of the recent LFS operational issue on headline estimates and RTI estimates relative to the population, which have been published for the first time.

4 . Latest indicators at a glance

5 . Data on labour market

[Summary of labour market statistics](#)

Dataset A01 | Released 21 July 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 21 July 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: July 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](#).

Revisions

In the July 2026 edition of this bulletin, LFS data have been revised back to January to March 2020 because of a seasonal adjustment review.

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 in our August 2026 publication.

8 . Related links

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

Article | Released 15 July 2026

Progress across the ONS against our recovery plans for improving our economic statistics and surveys, between April and June 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: 18 June 2026](#)

Bulletin | Released 18 June 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: 2 July 2026](#)

Bulletin | Released 2 July 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: July 2026](#)

Article | Released 21 July 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 21 July 2026

Series	Reference period	Latest estimate	Last time higher	Last time lower	Comparable data begins in
Employment level (aged 16 and over)	Mar-May 2026	34.475 million	Never	Feb-Apr 2026 (34.411 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Employment rate (aged 16 to 64)	Mar-May 2026	75.1%	May-Jul 2025 (75.2%)	Jan-Mar 2026 (75.0%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Unemployment level (aged 16 and over)	Mar-May 2026	1.760 million	Feb-Apr 2026 (1.768 million)	Jun-Aug 2025 (1.738 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Unemployment rate (aged 16 and over)	Mar-May 2026	4.9%	Jan-Mar 2026 (5.0%)	Jun-Aug 2025 (4.8%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Inactivity level (aged 16 to 64)	Mar-May 2026	9.108 million	Feb-Apr 2026 (9.132 million)	Jan-Mar 2026 (9.103 million)	Jan-Mar 1971
Inactivity rate (aged 16 to 64)	Mar-May 2026	20.9%	Feb-Apr 2026 (21.0%)	Nov-Jan 2026 (20.7%)	Jan-Mar 1971
Average Earnings (total pay - nominal)	Mar-May 2026	4.3%	Feb-Apr 2026 (4.4%)	Dec-Feb 2026 (3.9%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (regular pay - nominal)	Mar-May 2026	3.4%	Dec-Feb 2026 (3.6%)	Aug-Oct 2020 (2.8%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (total pay - real)	Mar-May 2026	1.1%	Feb-Apr 2026 (1.2%)	Dec-Feb 2026 (0.6%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Average Earnings (regular pay - real)	Mar-May 2026	0.3%	Nov-Jan 2026 (0.4%)	Feb-Apr 2026 (0.1%)	Jan-Mar 2001
Vacancies level	Apr-Jun 2026	0.712 million	Feb-Apr 2026 (0.713 million)	Mar-May 2026 (0.710 million)	Apr-Jun 2001

Index of Tables

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<https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/employmentandemployeetypes/bulletins/uklabourmarket/july2026/relateddata>

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

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

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

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

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

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

SUMMARY

1 Summary of headline LFS¹ indicators

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	LFS household population ¹		Headline indicators					
			Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
			Level	Rate ²	Level	Rate ³	Level	Rate ⁴
	All aged 16 & over	All aged 16 to 64	All aged 16 & over	All aged 16 to 64	All aged 16 & over	All aged 16 & over	All aged 16 to 64	All aged 16 to 64
	MGSL	LF2O	MGRZ	LF24	MGSC	MG SX	LF2M	LF2S
People								
Mar-May 2024 [r]	55,563	42,871	33,358	74.4	1,545	4.4	9,487	22.1
Mar-May 2025 [r]	56,163	43,236	34,135	75.2	1,679	4.7	9,082	21.0
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	56,306	43,318	34,221	75.1	1,738	4.8	9,114	21.0
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	56,440	43,388	34,312	75.1	1,833	5.1	9,026	20.8
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	56,574	43,457	34,328	75.0	1,777	4.9	9,123	21.0
Mar-May 2026	56,708	43,526	34,475	75.1	1,760	4.9	9,108	20.9
Change on quarter	134	69	148	0.1	-17	-0.1	-15	-0.1
Change %	0.2	0.2	0.4		-1.0		-0.2	
Change on year	544	290	340	-0.1	81	0.2	25	-0.1
Change %	1.0	0.7	1.0		4.8		0.3	
Men	MGSM	YBTG	MGSA	MGSV	MGSD	MGSY	YBSO	YBTM
Mar-May 2024 [r]	26,971	21,073	17,088	77.0	867	4.8	4,001	19.0
Mar-May 2025 [r]	27,284	21,269	17,563	78.2	890	4.8	3,788	17.8
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	27,359	21,313	17,581	77.9	950	5.1	3,799	17.8
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	27,428	21,351	17,562	77.8	1,017	5.5	3,771	17.7
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	27,498	21,389	17,601	77.8	975	5.2	3,799	17.8
Mar-May 2026	27,568	21,427	17,752	78.2	994	5.3	3,706	17.3
Change on quarter	70	38	151	0.3	19	0.1	-93	-0.5
Change %	0.3	0.2	0.9		2.0		-2.4	
Change on year	284	158	188	0.0	104	0.5	-81	-0.5
Change %	1.0	0.7	1.1		11.7		-2.2	
Women	MGSN	LF2P	MGSB	LF25	MGSE	MGSZ	LF2N	LF2T
Mar-May 2024 [r]	28,592	21,798	16,270	71.8	678	4.0	5,486	25.2
Mar-May 2025 [r]	28,879	21,967	16,572	72.4	788	4.5	5,295	24.1
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	28,948	22,005	16,640	72.4	788	4.5	5,315	24.2
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	29,012	22,036	16,749	72.5	816	4.6	5,255	23.8
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	29,076	22,068	16,727	72.3	802	4.6	5,324	24.1
Mar-May 2026	29,140	22,099	16,724	72.2	765	4.4	5,402	24.4
Change on quarter	64	31	-3	-0.1	-37	-0.2	77	0.3
Change %	0.2	0.1	0.0		-4.6		1.5	
Change on year	261	132	152	-0.2	-23	-0.2	107	0.3
Change %	0.9	0.6	0.9		-2.9		2.0	

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.

[r] Revised data due to a seasonal adjustment review

Note on headline employment, unemployment and inactivity rates

The headline employment and inactivity rates are based on the population aged 16 to 64 but the headline unemployment rate is based on the economically active population aged 16 and over. The employment and inactivity rates for those aged 16 and over are affected by the inclusion of the retired population in the denominators and are therefore less meaningful than the rates for those aged from 16 to 64. However, for the unemployment rate for those aged 16 and over, no such effect occurs as the denominator for the unemployment rate is the economically active population which only includes people in work or actively seeking and able to work.

Note on headline employment, unemployment and inactivity levels

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

SUMMARY

2(1) Labour market status by age group

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Aged 16 and over						Aged 16-64					
	Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity		Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate
People	MGRZ	MGSR	MGSC	MG SX	MGSI	YBTC	LF2G	LF24	LF2I	LF2Q	LF2M	LF2S
Mar-May 2024 [r]	33,358	60.0	1,545	4.4	20,660	37.2	31,876	74.4	1,508	4.5	9,487	22.1
Mar-May 2025 [r]	34,135	60.8	1,679	4.7	20,350	36.2	32,528	75.2	1,625	4.8	9,082	21.0
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	34,221	60.8	1,738	4.8	20,348	36.1	32,515	75.1	1,690	4.9	9,114	21.0
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	34,312	60.8	1,833	5.1	20,295	36.0	32,583	75.1	1,779	5.2	9,026	20.8
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	34,328	60.7	1,777	4.9	20,469	36.2	32,607	75.0	1,727	5.0	9,123	21.0
Mar-May 2026	34,475	60.8	1,760	4.9	20,473	36.1	32,698	75.1	1,721	5.0	9,108	20.9
Change on quarter	148	0.1	-17	-0.1	3	-0.1	91	0.1	-6	0.0	-15	-0.1
Change %	0.4		-1.0		0.0		0.3		-0.4		-0.2	
Change on year	340	0.0	81	0.2	123	-0.1	169	-0.1	95	0.2	25	-0.1
Change %	1.0		4.8		0.6		0.5		5.9		0.3	
Men	MGSA	MGSS	MGSD	MGSY	MGSJ	YBTD	YBSF	MGSV	YBSI	YBTJ	YBSO	YBTM
Mar-May 2024 [r]	17,088	63.4	867	4.8	9,016	33.4	16,228	77.0	844	4.9	4,001	19.0
Mar-May 2025 [r]	17,563	64.4	890	4.8	8,830	32.4	16,632	78.2	849	4.9	3,788	17.8
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	17,581	64.3	950	5.1	8,828	32.3	16,593	77.9	921	5.3	3,799	17.8
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	17,562	64.0	1,017	5.5	8,849	32.3	16,603	77.8	977	5.6	3,771	17.7
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	17,601	64.0	975	5.2	8,922	32.4	16,650	77.8	940	5.3	3,799	17.8
Mar-May 2026	17,752	64.4	994	5.3	8,822	32.0	16,747	78.2	974	5.5	3,706	17.3
Change on quarter	151	0.4	19	0.1	-100	-0.4	97	0.3	34	0.2	-93	-0.5
Change %	0.9		2.0		-1.1		0.6		3.6		-2.4	
Change on year	188	0.0	104	0.5	-9	-0.4	115	0.0	125	0.6	-81	-0.5
Change %	1.1		11.7		-0.1		0.7		14.7		-2.2	
Women	MGSB	MGST	MGSE	MGSZ	MGSK	YBTE	LF2H	LF25	LF2J	LF2R	LF2N	LF2T
Mar-May 2024 [r]	16,270	56.9	678	4.0	11,644	40.7	15,648	71.8	664	4.1	5,486	25.2
Mar-May 2025 [r]	16,572	57.4	788	4.5	11,519	39.9	15,896	72.4	777	4.7	5,295	24.1
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	16,640	57.5	788	4.5	11,520	39.8	15,922	72.4	768	4.6	5,315	24.2
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	16,749	57.7	816	4.6	11,446	39.5	15,979	72.5	802	4.8	5,255	23.8
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	16,727	57.5	802	4.6	11,547	39.7	15,956	72.3	788	4.7	5,324	24.1
Mar-May 2026	16,724	57.4	765	4.4	11,651	40.0	15,950	72.2	747	4.5	5,402	24.4
Change on quarter	-3	-0.1	-37	-0.2	104	0.3	-6	-0.1	-40	-0.2	77	0.3
Change %	0.0		-4.6		0.9		0.0		-5.1		1.5	
Change on year	152	0.0	-23	-0.2	132	0.1	54	-0.2	-29	-0.2	107	0.3
Change %	0.9		-2.9		1.1		0.3		-3.8		2.0	
	Aged 16-17						Aged 18-24					
	Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity		Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate
People	YBTO	YBUA	YBVH	YBVK	YCAS	LWEX	YBTR	YBUD	YBVN	YBVQ	YCAV	LWFA
Mar-May 2024 [r]	341	21.4	135	28.3	1,114	70.1	3,385	59.4	466	12.1	1,851	32.5
Mar-May 2025 [r]	321	19.7	149	31.7	1,157	71.1	3,481	60.1	482	12.2	1,828	31.6
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	341	20.9	172	33.5	1,119	68.5	3,530	60.7	489	12.2	1,796	30.9
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	313	19.2	167	34.8	1,153	70.6	3,538	60.6	563	13.7	1,740	29.8
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	331	20.3	134	28.9	1,168	71.5	3,466	59.1	581	14.4	1,821	31.0
Mar-May 2026	341	20.9	145	29.8	1,148	70.3	3,457	58.7	598	14.8	1,838	31.2
Change on quarter	10	0.6	10	0.9	-19	-1.2	-8	-0.4	18	0.4	17	0.2
Change %	3.0		7.6		-1.7		-0.2		3.0		0.9	
Change on year	21	1.2	-4	-2.0	-9	-0.9	-24	-1.4	117	2.6	9	-0.4
Change %	6.5		-2.9		-0.7		-0.7		24.2		0.5	
Men	YBTP	YBUB	YBVI	YBVL	YCAT	LWEY	YBTS	YBUE	YBVO	YBVR	YCAW	LWFB
Mar-May 2024 [r]	148	18.2	73	33.1	593	72.8	1,688	58.2	305	15.3	910	31.3
Mar-May 2025 [r]	143	17.2	82	36.5	608	72.9	1,803	61.0	275	13.2	878	29.7
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	158	18.9	91	36.6	587	70.2	1,780	59.9	307	14.7	883	29.7
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	142	17.0	90	38.9	604	72.2	1,800	60.3	350	16.3	834	27.9
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	151	18.1	69	31.4	616	73.7	1,758	58.6	364	17.1	877	29.2
Mar-May 2026	163	19.5	80	32.9	594	71.0	1,786	59.3	362	16.8	865	28.7
Change on quarter	12	1.4	11	1.5	-22	-2.7	28	0.7	-2	-0.3	-12	-0.5
Change %	7.7		15.4		-3.6		1.6		-0.5		-1.3	
Change on year	20	2.3	-2	-3.6	-13	-1.9	-17	-1.7	87	3.6	-12	-1.0
Change %	13.9		-2.9		-2.2		-0.9		31.5		-1.4	
Women	YBTQ	YBUC	YBVJ	YBVM	YCAU	LWEZ	YBTT	YBUF	YBVP	YBVS	YCAX	LWFC
Mar-May 2024 [r]	192	24.8	61	24.1	521	67.3	1,696	60.6	162	8.7	941	33.6
Mar-May 2025 [r]	178	22.4	67	27.3	549	69.2	1,678	59.2	207	11.0	951	33.5
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	183	23.0	81	30.6	532	66.8	1,750	61.5	182	9.4	914	32.1
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	171	21.5	77	31.0	549	68.9	1,738	60.8	213	10.9	906	31.7
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	180	22.6	65	26.6	551	69.2	1,708	59.5	217	11.3	944	32.9
Mar-May 2026	178	22.4	65	26.6	554	69.5	1,671	58.0	237	12.4	972	33.8
Change on quarter	-2	-0.2	0	0.0	2	0.3	-37	-1.5	19	1.1	29	0.9
Change %	-0.9		-0.7		0.5		-2.2		8.9		3.0	
Change on year	1	0.0	-2	-0.7	5	0.3	-8	-1.2	30	1.4	22	0.2
Change %	0.5		-2.8		0.9		-0.4		14.5		2.3	

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[r] Revised data due to a seasonal adjustment review

SUMMARY

2(2) Labour market status by age group

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Aged 25-34						Aged 35-49					
	Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity		Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate
People	YBTU	YBUG	YCGM	YCGP	YCAV	LWFD	YBTX	YBUJ	YCGS	YCGV	YCBB	LWFG
Mar-May 2024 [r]	7,602	83.5	322	4.1	1,183	13.0	11,183	84.7	341	3.0	1,681	12.7
Mar-May 2025 [r]	7,709	84.3	322	4.0	1,119	12.2	11,503	85.7	365	3.1	1,548	11.5
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	7,667	83.7	353	4.4	1,137	12.4	11,472	85.2	362	3.1	1,638	12.2
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	7,711	84.2	362	4.5	1,083	11.8	11,527	85.2	370	3.1	1,633	12.1
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	7,698	84.1	380	4.7	1,080	11.8	11,608	85.4	351	2.9	1,630	12.0
Mar-May 2026	7,741	84.5	347	4.3	1,071	11.7	11,623	85.2	340	2.8	1,685	12.3
Change on quarter	43	0.5	-33	-0.4	-9	-0.1	15	-0.3	-11	-0.1	55	0.4
Change %	0.6		-8.6		-0.8		0.1		-3.2		3.4	
Change on year	32	0.3	25	0.3	-48	-0.5	120	-0.6	-25	-0.2	137	0.8
Change %	0.4		7.9		-4.3		1.0		-7.0		8.9	
Men	YBTV	YBUH	YCGN	YCGQ	YCAZ	LWFE	YBTY	YBUK	YCGT	YCGW	YCBB	LWFG
Mar-May 2024 [r]	3,873	86.8	162	4.0	424	9.5	5,680	88.7	162	2.8	564	8.8
Mar-May 2025 [r]	3,952	87.9	176	4.3	370	8.2	5,871	90.3	137	2.3	496	7.6
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	3,941	87.5	194	4.7	370	8.2	5,837	89.4	160	2.7	533	8.2
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	3,932	87.2	201	4.9	376	8.3	5,849	89.2	167	2.8	542	8.3
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	3,941	87.3	211	5.1	361	8.0	5,949	90.3	145	2.4	492	7.5
Mar-May 2026	3,957	87.6	211	5.1	349	7.7	5,970	90.3	155	2.5	488	7.4
Change on quarter	15	0.3	1	0.0	-12	-0.3	21	-0.1	11	0.2	-4	-0.1
Change %	0.4		0.3		-3.3		0.4		7.6		-0.8	
Change on year	5	-0.3	36	0.8	-20	-0.5	99	0.0	18	0.3	-8	-0.2
Change %	0.1		20.3		-5.5		1.7		13.2		-1.6	
Women	YBTW	YBUI	YCGO	YCGR	YCBA	LWFF	YBTZ	YBUL	YCGU	YCGX	YCBB	LWFI
Mar-May 2024 [r]	3,729	80.2	159	4.1	759	16.3	5,503	80.9	179	3.2	1,117	16.4
Mar-May 2025 [r]	3,757	80.8	146	3.7	749	16.1	5,632	81.5	228	3.9	1,052	15.2
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	3,726	80.1	159	4.1	767	16.5	5,635	81.2	202	3.5	1,105	15.9
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	3,780	81.3	162	4.1	707	15.2	5,678	81.4	203	3.5	1,091	15.7
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	3,757	80.9	169	4.3	719	15.5	5,659	80.8	207	3.5	1,138	16.3
Mar-May 2026	3,784	81.5	136	3.5	722	15.5	5,653	80.4	184	3.2	1,197	17.0
Change on quarter	27	0.6	-33	-0.8	3	0.1	-6	-0.4	-22	-0.4	59	0.8
Change %	0.7		-19.8		0.4		-0.1		-10.8		5.2	
Change on year	27	0.8	-10	-0.3	-28	-0.6	21	-1.1	-44	-0.7	145	1.8
Change %	0.7		-7.0		-3.7		0.4		-19.1		13.8	
	Aged 50-64						Age 65+					
	Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity		Employment		Unemployment		Inactivity	
	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate	Level	Rate
People	LF26	LF2U	LF28	LF2E	LF2A	LF2W	LFK4	LFK6	K5HU	K5HW	LFL4	LFL6
Mar-May 2024 [r]	9,366	70.6	244	2.5	3,658	27.6	1,482	11.7	37	2.4	11,173	88.0
Mar-May 2025 [r]	9,514	71.8	308	3.1	3,430	25.9	1,607	12.4	53	3.2	11,267	87.2
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	9,505	71.8	314	3.2	3,424	25.9	1,706	13.1	48	2.8	11,234	86.5
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	9,492	71.8	316	3.2	3,417	25.8	1,729	13.2	54	3.0	11,269	86.3
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	9,503	71.9	281	2.9	3,425	25.9	1,721	13.1	50	2.8	11,346	86.5
Mar-May 2026	9,535	72.3	291	3.0	3,366	25.5	1,778	13.5	39	2.1	11,365	86.2
Change on quarter	32	0.3	10	0.1	-59	-0.4	57	0.4	-11	-0.7	19	-0.3
Change %	0.3		3.5		-1.7		3.3		-21.9		0.2	
Change on year	21	0.5	-17	-0.2	-64	-0.4	171	1.1	-14	-1.1	97	-0.9
Change %	0.2		-5.5		-1.9		10.7		-27.1		0.9	
Men	MGUX	YBUN	MGVM	MGXF	MGWB	LWFK	MGVA	YBUQ	MGVP	MGXI	MGWE	LWFN
Mar-May 2024 [r]	4,839	74.6	142	2.8	1,510	23.3	860	14.6	23	2.6	5,014	85.0
Mar-May 2025 [r]	4,863	75.1	178	3.5	1,437	22.2	931	15.5	42	4.3	5,043	83.8
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	4,877	75.3	169	3.4	1,427	22.0	988	16.3	29	2.8	5,029	83.2
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	4,880	75.5	169	3.3	1,415	21.9	959	15.8	40	4.0	5,078	83.6
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	4,851	75.2	151	3.0	1,452	22.5	950	15.6	35	3.6	5,123	83.9
Mar-May 2026	4,871	75.6	165	3.3	1,409	21.9	1,004	16.4	21	2.0	5,115	83.3
Change on quarter	20	0.4	13	0.2	-43	-0.6	54	0.8	-15	-1.6	-8	-0.6
Change %	0.4		8.9		-3.0		5.7		-41.2		-0.1	
Change on year	8	0.5	-13	-0.3	-28	-0.3	74	0.9	-21	-2.2	73	-0.5
Change %	0.2		-7.4		-1.9		7.9		-49.9		1.4	
Women	LF27	LF2V	LF29	LF2F	LF2B	LF2X	LFK5	LFK7	K5HV	K5HX	LFL5	LFL7
Mar-May 2024 [r]	4,527	66.8	102	2.2	2,148	31.7	621	9.1	14	2.3	6,158	90.6
Mar-May 2025 [r]	4,651	68.7	130	2.7	1,993	29.4	676	9.8	12	1.7	6,225	90.1
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	4,628	68.4	144	3.0	1,997	29.5	718	10.3	19	2.6	6,205	89.4
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	4,612	68.2	148	3.1	2,002	29.6	770	11.0	14	1.8	6,191	88.8
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	4,652	68.9	130	2.7	1,972	29.2	771	11.0	14	1.8	6,223	88.8
Mar-May 2026	4,664	69.1	126	2.6	1,957	29.0	773	11.0	18	2.3	6,249	88.8
Change on quarter	11	0.2	-4	-0.1	-16	-0.2	3	0.0	4	0.5	26	0.0
Change %	0.2		-2.7		-0.8		0.4		26.5		0.4	
Change on year	13	0.5	-4	-0.1	-36	-0.4	97	1.2	6	0.6	25	-1.3
Change %	0.3		-2.8		-1.8		14.4		54.5		0.4	

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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 Workers with second jobs ²
	Total	Employees	Self-employed	Unpaid family workers	Government supported training & employment programmes ²	Total people working full-time	total people working part-time	Employees working full-time	Employees working part-time	Self-employed people working full-time	Self-employed people working part-time			
												1	2	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	33,358	28,899	4,323	88	48	25,064	8,294	22,053	6,846	2,950	1,373	1,273		
Mar-May 2025 [r]	34,135	29,533	4,425	118	59	25,556	8,579	22,548	6,985	2,951	1,474	1,326		
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	34,221	29,634	4,404	119	64	25,552	8,669	22,539	7,094	2,940	1,464	1,316		
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	34,312	29,731	4,395	121	65	25,536	8,776	22,585	7,145	2,876	1,519	1,291		
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	34,328	29,656	4,482	126	63	25,585	8,743	22,587	7,069	2,938	1,545	1,272		
Mar-May 2026	34,475	29,771	4,525	123	56	25,695	8,780	22,742	7,029	2,900	1,625	1,278		
Change on quarter	148	115	43	-3	-7	110	37	155	-40	-38	81	6		
Change %	0.4	0.4	1.0	-2.4	-11.2	0.4	0.4	0.7	-0.6	-1.3	5.2	0.4		
Change on year	340	238	100	5	-3	139	202	194	44	-51	151	-48		
Change %	1.0	0.8	2.3	4.4	-4.7	0.5	2.3	0.9	0.6	-1.7	10.2	-3.7		
Men		MGRO	MGRQ	MGRU	MGRX	YCBF	YCBJ	YCBM	YCBP	YCBS	YCBR	YCBU	YCBX	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	17,088	14,252	2,759	46	31	14,794	2,294	12,564	1,688	2,187	572	548		
Mar-May 2025 [r]	17,563	14,656	2,812	60	35	15,025	2,538	12,798	1,858	2,191	620	590		
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	17,581	14,673	2,813	60	36	15,068	2,513	12,831	1,842	2,194	619	578		
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	17,562	14,723	2,745	62	32	15,030	2,533	12,841	1,882	2,149	597	579		
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	17,601	14,749	2,766	52	34	15,089	2,512	12,886	1,862	2,170	596	573		
Mar-May 2026	17,752	14,880	2,779	62	30	15,173	2,578	13,014	1,866	2,126	653	570		
Change on quarter	151	131	14	10	-4	84	66	128	4	-44	57	-3		
Change %	0.9	0.9	0.5	18.9	-11.2	0.6	2.6	1.0	0.2	-2.0	9.6	-0.5		
Change on year	188	223	-33	2	-4	148	40	216	7	-65	33	-20		
Change %	1.1	1.5	-1.2	3.3	-12.4	1.0	1.6	1.7	0.4	-3.0	5.3	-3.4		
Women		MGRP	MGRS	MGRV	MGRY	YCBG	YCBJ	YCBM	YCBP	YCBS	YCBV	YCBY		
Mar-May 2024 [r]	16,270	14,647	1,564	42	17	10,270	6,000	9,489	5,158	763	801	725		
Mar-May 2025 [r]	16,572	14,877	1,613	58	24	10,531	6,041	9,750	5,127	759	854	736		
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	16,640	14,961	1,592	59	29	10,484	6,156	9,709	5,252	746	846	738		
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	16,749	15,008	1,650	59	33	10,506	6,243	9,745	5,263	727	923	712		
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	16,727	14,908	1,716	74	29	10,496	6,231	9,701	5,207	768	949	699		
Mar-May 2026	16,724	14,892	1,746	61	25	10,522	6,202	9,729	5,163	774	972	708		
Change on quarter	-3	-16	29	-13	-3	26	-29	27	-44	6	23	9		
Change %	0.0	-0.1	1.7	-17.4	-11.1	0.2	-0.5	0.3	-0.8	0.8	2.4	1.2		
Change on year	152	15	132	3	2	-9	161	-22	37	14	118	-28		
Change %	0.9	0.1	8.2	5.6	6.5	-0.1	2.7	-0.2	0.7	1.9	13.8	-3.8		
Temporary employees (reasons for temporary working)														
	Total all employees	Total as % of all employees	Could not find permanent job	% that could not find permanent job	Did not want permanent job	Had a contract with period of training	Some other reason	Total ⁴	Could not find full-time job	% that could not find full-time job	Did not want full-time job	Ill or disabled	Student or at school	
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
People	YCBZ	YCCC	YCCF	YCCI	YCCL	YCCO	YCCR	YCCU	YCCX	YCDA	YCDD	YCDG	YCDJ	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	1,462	5.1	303	20.7	413	163	583	8,219	814	9.9	5,820	306	1,232	
Mar-May 2025 [r]	1,588	5.4	381	24.0	443	149	615	8,459	912	10.8	5,843	463	1,192	
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	1,596	5.4	381	23.9	447	164	604	8,559	832	9.7	5,985	448	1,240	
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	1,670	5.6	393	23.5	435	171	672	8,665	853	9.8	5,958	474	1,322	
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	1,626	5.5	381	23.5	430	168	646	8,613	899	10.4	5,907	476	1,283	
Mar-May 2026	1,600	5.4	383	24.0	420	174	622	8,654	914	10.6	5,957	474	1,253	
Change on quarter	-26	-0.1	2	0.5	-11	6	-23	41	15	0.1	51	-2	-30	
Change %	-1.6		0.5		-2.5	3.6	-3.6	0.5	1.7		0.9	-0.5	-2.4	
Change on year	11	0.0	2	0.0	-24	25	8	195	2	-0.2	114	11	61	
Change %	0.7		0.6		-5.3	16.7	1.2	2.3	0.2		2.0	2.4	5.1	
Men	YCCA	YCCD	YCCG	YCCJ	YCCM	YCCP	YCCS	YCCV	YCCY	YCDB	YCDE	YCDH	YCDK	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	728	5.1	162	22.2	180	92	295	2,260	399	17.6	1,257	101	485	
Mar-May 2025 [r]	735	5.0	194	26.4	177	88	276	2,479	391	15.8	1,401	174	496	
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	753	5.1	184	24.5	189	87	293	2,461	321	13.1	1,461	171	489	
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	792	5.4	199	25.1	193	81	319	2,479	347	14.0	1,387	166	560	
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	770	5.2	194	25.2	188	78	309	2,458	389	15.8	1,358	161	540	
Mar-May 2026	752	5.1	207	27.5	184	80	281	2,519	409	16.2	1,391	172	536	
Change on quarter	-18	-0.2	13	2.3	-4	2	-28	61	20	0.4	33	11	-4	
Change %	-2.3		6.5		-2.1	2.6	-9.1	2.5	5.1		2.4	6.9	-0.8	
Change on year	17	0.0	12	1.0	7	-7	5	40	18	0.5	-10	-2	40	
Change %	2.3		6.3		4.0	-8.4	1.7	1.6	4.5		-0.7	-1.2	8.1	
Women	YCCB	YCCE	YCCH	YCCK	YCCN	YCCQ	YCCT	YCCW	YCCZ	YCDC	YCDE	YCDI	YCDL	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	734	5.0	141	19.2	233	71	289	5,959	415	7.0	4,563	205	747	
Mar-May 2025 [r]	853	5.7	186	21.9	266	62	339	5,981	521	8.7	4,442	289	696	
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	843	5.6	197	23.3	258	77	311	6,098	511	8.4	4,524	277	751	
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	878	5.9	194	22.0	242	90	353	6,186	505	8.2	4,571	308	762	
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	856	5.7	187	21.8	242	90	337	6,155	511	8.3	4,549	316	743	
Mar-May 2026	847	5.7	176	20.8	236	94	341	6,135	506	8.2	4,566	302	717	
Change on quarter	-9	-0.1	-11	-1.0	-7	4	5	-20	-5	-0.1	18	-14	-26	
Change %	-1.0		-5.7		-2.8	4.4	1.4	-0.3	-1.0		0.4	-4.3	-3.5	
Change on year	-6	0.0	-10	-1.0	-31	32	3	155	-16	-0.5	124	13	21	
Change %	-0.7		-5.4		-11.5	52.2	0.8	2.6	-3.0		2.8	4.5	3.0	

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

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

1. The split between full-time and part-time employment is based on respondents' self-classification.
 2. 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.
 3. These series cover Employees and Self-employed only. These series include some temporary employees.
 4. 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.
- [r] Revised data due to a seasonal adjustment review

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4 Public and private sector employment

United Kingdom (thousands of people aged 16 and over), seasonally adjusted									
Public sector		Private sector ¹		Total employment ²	Public sector excluding effects of major reclassifications (See Explanatory note at bottom of table)		Private sector excluding effects of major reclassifications (See Explanatory note at bottom of table)		
(000s)	(%)	(000s)	(%)	(000s)	(000s)	(%)	(000s)	(%)	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
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	6,191 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	-

Enquiries 01633 455400

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	6,089
Mar 24	35	149	282	1,208	544	1,655	2,017	206	6,116
Jun 24	35	147	282	1,216	546	1,652	2,027	205	6,096
Sep 24	35	148	282	1,221	548	1,664	2,041	205	6,122
Dec 24	35	147	282	1,230	548	1,662	2,053	204	6,146
Mar 25	36	148	282	1,236	550	1,662	2,062 r	204	6,156 r
Jun 25	35	147	281	1,240	551	1,664	2,069	203	6,177
Sep 25	35	148	280	1,249	554	1,665	2,069	201	6,183
Dec 25	35	148	280	1,254 r	555	1,662 r	2,069 r	202	6,191 r
Mar 26	35	149	280	1,258	558	1,662	2,068	200	6,193
Change on quarter	0	1	0	4	3	0	-1	-2	2
Change %	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.0	-0.0	-1.0	0.0
Change on year	-1	1	-2	22	8	0	6	-4	37
Change %	-2.8	0.7	-0.7	1.8	1.5	0.0	0.3	-2.0	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.

- Estimated as the difference between LFS total employment and the data from public sector organisations.
- 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.
- This series excludes locally engaged staff stationed outside the United Kingdom.
- This series excludes the Northern Ireland Civil Service.
- 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 A-T	Agriculture, forestry & fishing A	Mining & quarrying B	Manufacturing C	Electricity, gas, steam & air conditioning supply D	Water supply, sewerage, waste & remediation activities E	Construction F	Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles G	Transport & storage H	Accommodation & food service activities I	Information & communication J
	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 K	Real estate activities L	Professional scientific & technical activities M	Administrative & support service activities N	Public admin & defence; compulsory social security ² O	Education P	Human health & social work activities Q	Arts, entertainment & recreation R	Other service activities S	People employed by households, etc. T	Total services G-T
	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

Workforce jobs enquiries 01633 455400
Sources: Employer surveys, Labour Force Survey and administrative sources

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

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

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7 Actual weekly hours worked

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

Average (mean) actual weekly hours worked					
	Total weekly hours (millions) ^{1,2}	All workers ¹	Full-time workers ³	Part-time workers ³	Second Jobs
People	YBUS	YBUV	YBUY	YBVB	YBVE
Mar-May 2024 [r]	1,064.4	31.9	36.6	16.4	9.4
Mar-May 2025 [r]	1,085.8	31.8	36.5	16.6	9.3
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	1,088.7	31.8	36.5	16.5	9.1
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	1,089.7	31.8	36.6	16.5	9.4
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	1,089.2	31.7	36.4	16.5	9.9
Mar-May 2026	1,101.3	31.9	36.6	16.7	10.2
Change on quarter	12.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Change %	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.2	3.1
Change on year	15.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.9
Change %	1.4	0.4	0.5	0.8	9.6
Men	YBUT	YBUW	YBUZ	YBVC	YBVF
Mar-May 2024 [r]	607.3	35.5	38.2	15.8	10.4
Mar-May 2025 [r]	617.0	35.1	37.9	16.0	9.6
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	618.4	35.2	37.9	15.8	10.2
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	617.9	35.2	38.0	16.1	10.3
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	618.7	35.2	37.9	16.1	10.7
Mar-May 2026	628.6	35.4	38.1	16.4	11.5
Change on quarter	9.9	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.8
Change %	1.6	0.7	0.6	1.7	7.8
Change on year	11.6	0.3	0.2	0.5	1.9
Change %	1.9	0.8	0.4	3.0	19.6
Women	YBUU	YBUX	YBVA	YBVD	YBVG
Mar-May 2024 [r]	457.0	28.1	34.2	16.7	8.7
Mar-May 2025 [r]	468.8	28.3	34.4	16.8	9.1
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	470.2	28.3	34.5	16.8	8.4
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	471.9	28.2	34.5	16.7	8.7
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	470.4	28.1	34.4	16.7	9.3
Mar-May 2026	472.7	28.3	34.5	16.8	9.2
Change on quarter	2.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.1
Change %	0.5	0.5	0.4	1.0	-1.1
Change on year	3.8	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1
Change %	0.8	-0.1	0.4	0.0	1.1

Source: Labour Force Survey

1. Main and second job

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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.

[r] Revised data due to a seasonal adjustment review

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
Mar-May 2025 [r]									
Less than 6 Hours	1.4	1.0	1.8	0.9	0.6	1.1	4.3	2.6	7.1
6 up to 15 hours	6.0	3.9	8.2	5.2	3.3	7.1	10.9	6.6	18.4
16 up to 30 hours	18.8	10.9	27.2	18.1	9.6	26.4	24.3	17.7	35.9
31 up to 45 hours	60.0	65.2	54.4	63.0	68.8	57.4	40.1	47.6	27.2
Over 45 hours	13.8	19.0	8.3	12.8	17.7	8.0	20.3	25.5	11.3
Total (thousands)	34,135	17,563	16,572	29,533	14,656	14,877	4,425	2,812	1,613
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]									
Less than 6 Hours	1.4	1.1	1.8	0.9	0.6	1.1	4.1	3.1	5.8
6 up to 15 hours	6.2	3.9	8.6	5.4	3.3	7.5	10.9	6.4	18.0
16 up to 30 hours	18.5	10.3	27.1	17.5	8.8	26.1	25.3	18.0	37.2
31 up to 45 hours	60.1	65.8	54.1	63.3	69.5	57.1	40.2	46.8	29.5
Over 45 hours	13.8	18.9	8.4	13.0	17.8	8.3	19.5	25.7	9.5
Total (thousands)	34,328	17,601	16,727	29,656	14,749	14,908	4,482	2,766	1,716
Mar-May 2026									
Less than 6 Hours	1.4	1.0	1.8	0.8	0.6	1.1	4.4	2.9	6.7
6 up to 15 hours	6.2	3.8	8.7	5.4	3.3	7.5	11.1	6.4	18.5
16 up to 30 hours	18.4	10.6	26.7	17.3	9.0	25.6	26.1	19.6	36.5
31 up to 45 hours	59.9	65.2	54.3	63.2	69.1	57.3	38.8	44.8	29.2
Over 45 hours	14.1	19.4	8.5	13.3	18.1	8.5	19.6	26.3	9.0
Total (thousands)	34,475	17,752	16,724	29,771	14,880	14,892	4,525	2,779	1,746

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

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Employment by country of birth and nationality

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

Our EMP06 and A12 dataset will continue to be made available on our website, with additional guidance for users. From our February 2025 publication, EMP06 and A12 will be published using the reweighted LFS data.

We will continue to review and update users accordingly.

[EMP06 Dataset](#)

Employment by country of birth and nationality

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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																	
	Over 6 and up to 12 months			All over 12 months		% over 12 months		Over 6 and up to 12 months			All over 12 months		% over 12 months												
	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	3	4	5	6	7	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	8	9	10	11	12	13	14							
People	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11	12	13	14										
Mar-May 2024 [r]	1,545	4.4	960	227	358	23.2	170		1,508	4.5	939	224	346	22.9	162										
Mar-May 2025 [r]	1,679	4.7	999	303	376	22.4	171		1,625	4.8	971	292	363	22.3	165										
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	1,738	4.8	1,017	305	416	23.9	176		1,690	4.9	992	297	401	23.7	165										
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	1,833	5.1	1,050	331	452	24.7	193		1,779	5.2	1,023	317	439	24.1	179										
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	1,777	4.9	969	351	457	25.7	203		1,727	5.0	948	340	439	25.4	191										
Mar-May 2026	1,760	4.9	987	328	445	25.3	191		1,721	5.0	972	318	431	25.1	183										
Change on quarter	-17	-0.1	18	-22	-13	-0.5	-12		-6	0.0	24	-22	-8	-0.4	-8										
Change %	-1.0		1.8	-6.4	-2.7		-6.0		-0.4		2.5	-6.6	-1.8		-4.2										
Change on year	81	0.2	-13	25	69	2.9	20		95	0.2	1	26	69	2.8	18										
Change %	4.8		-1.3	8.2	18.3		11.9		5.9		0.1	8.9	19.0		10.8										
Men			MGYK	MGYM	MGYO	YBWJ	YBWM				YBWP	YBWS	YBWV	YBWW	YBXB										
Mar-May 2024 [r]	867	4.8	505	123	239	27.6	121		844	4.9	492	118	234	27.7	118										
Mar-May 2025 [r]	890	4.8	501	163	227	25.5	100		849	4.9	479	152	217	25.6	95										
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	950	5.1	524	179	247	26.0	119		921	5.3	511	171	239	26.0	111										
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	1,017	5.5	553	187	276	27.2	121		977	5.6	535	178	264	27.0	111										
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	975	5.2	518	186	271	27.8	123		940	5.3	501	181	257	27.4	112										
Mar-May 2026	994	5.3	546	184	265	26.6	121		974	5.5	538	179	257	26.4	116										
Change on quarter	19	0.1	28	-2	-6	-1.1	-2		34	0.2	37	-2	0	-1.0	4										
Change %	2.0		5.3	-1.2	-2.2		-1.4		3.6		7.3	-1.2	-0.1		3.2										
Change on year	104	0.5	45	21	38	1.1	21		125	0.6	58	27	39	0.8	21										
Change %	11.7		9.0	13.0	16.7		21.4		14.7		12.2	17.7	18.2		22.4										
Women			MGYL	MGYN	MGYP	YBWK	YBWN				LF2Z	LF33	LF35	LF37	LF39										
Mar-May 2024 [r]	678	4.0	455	105	119	17.5	49		664	4.1	447	105	112	16.9	44										
Mar-May 2025 [r]	788	4.5	498	141	149	18.9	71		777	4.7	492	139	145	18.7	70										
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	788	4.5	493	126	169	21.5	58		768	4.6	481	126	162	21.1	54										
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	816	4.6	497	144	175	21.5	72		802	4.8	488	140	174	21.8	68										
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	802	4.6	451	165	186	23.2	80		788	4.7	447	158	182	23.1	78										
Mar-May 2026	765	4.4	441	144	180	23.5	70		747	4.5	434	138	175	23.4	67										
Change on quarter	-37	-0.2	-10	-20	-7	0.3	-10		-40	-0.2	-13	-20	-8	0.2	-12										
Change %	-4.6		-2.2	-12.2	-3.5		-13.1		-5.1		-2.8	-12.7	-4.2		-14.8										
Change on year	-23	-0.2	-57	4	31	4.6	-1		-29	-0.2	-58	-1	29	4.7	-3										
Change %	-2.9		-11.5	2.7	20.6		-1.4		-3.8		-11.7	-0.8	20.2		-4.8										
16-17							18-24																		
	Over 6 and up to 12 months			All over 12 months		% over 12 months		Over 6 and up to 12 months			All over 12 months		% over 12 months		Over 6 and up to 12 months			All over 12 months		% over 12 months					
	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	15	16	17	18	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	20	21				All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
People	15	16	17	18	19	20	21									22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	135	28.3	95	19	21	15.4	*		466	12.1	306	81	80	17.1	23										
Mar-May 2025 [r]	149	31.7	106	35	7	5.0	*		482	12.2	308	70	104	21.6	36										
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	172	33.5	123	31	19	11.0	*		489	12.2	296	81	112	23.0	38										
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	167	34.8	105	38	25	14.7	5		563	13.7	352	86	125	22.1	35										
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	134	28.9	91	29	14	10.7	*		581	14.4	341	110	130	22.3	41										
Mar-May 2026	145	29.8	94	32	18	12.5	*		598	14.8	357	110	131	22.0	43										
Change on quarter	10	0.9	4	3	4	1.8	*		18	0.4	16	-1	2	-0.3	2										
Change %	7.6		4.2	9.1	26.1		*		3.0		4.8	-0.6	1.4		4.8										
Change on year	-4	-2.0	-12	-3	11	7.5	*		117	2.6	50	39	27	0.4	7										
Change %	-2.9		-11.0	-9.3	143.4		*		24.2		16.2	55.9	26.5		18.8										
Men			YBXE	YBXH	YBXK	YBXN	YBXQ				YBXT	YBXW	YBXZ	YBYC	YBYF										
Mar-May 2024 [r]	73	33.1	55	8	10	14.0	*		305	15.3	194	43	68	22.4	18										
Mar-May 2025 [r]	82	36.5	58	20	4	4.8	*		275	13.2	157	45	73	26.7	22										
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	91	36.6	64	16	11	12.2	*		307	14.7	173	53	81	26.2	26										
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	90	38.9	52	24	14	16.0	3		350	16.3	209	52	89	25.4	26										
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	69	31.4	45	16	8	12.1	*		364	17.1	207	71	86	23.6	25										
Mar-May 2026	80	32.9	47	23	10	12.2	*		362	16.8	213	70	79	21.9	22										
Change on quarter	11	1.5	2	8	1	0.1	*		-2	-0.3	6	-1	-7	-1.7	-3										
Change %	15.4		4.0	48.5	16.5		*		-0.5		2.9	-1.6	-7.8		-12.1										
Change on year	-2	-3.6	-11	3	6	7.3	*		87	3.6	56	25	6	-4.8	0										
Change %	-2.9		-19.0	14.4	144.5		*		31.5		35.4	56.2	7.9		1.3										
Women			YBXF	YBXI	YBXL	YBXO	YBXR				YBXU	YBXX	YBYA	YBYD	YBYG										
Mar-May 2024 [r]	61	24.1	40	10	11	17.2	*		162	8.7	112	38	11	7.0	*										
Mar-May 2025 [r]	67	27.3	48	15	*	*	*		207	11.0	150	26	30	14.8	15										
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	81	30.6	59	14	8	9.7	*		182	9.4	122	28	32	17.4	12										
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	77	31.0	53	14	10	13.3	*		213	10.9	143	34	36	16.8	9										
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	65	26.6	45	14	6	9.3	*		217	11.3	134	39	44	20.1	16										
Mar-May 2026	65	26.6	47	9	8	13.0	*		237	12.4	144	40	52	22.1	21										
Change on quarter	0	0.0	2	-5	2	3.7	*		19	1.1	10	0	9	2.0	5										
Change %	-0.7		4.4	-35.0	39.3		*		8.9		7.7	1.2	19.5		30.4										
Change on year	-2	-0.7	-1	-6	*	*	*		30	1.4	-6	14	22	7.3	7										
Change %	-2.8		-1.3	-40.7	*	*	*		14.5		-3.9	55.3	71.2		44.3										

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UNEMPLOYMENT

9(2) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	25-49							50 and over								
	All			Over 6 and up to 12 months		% over 12 months		All			Over 6 and up to 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	YBYN	YBYQ	YBYT	YBVT	YBVW	YBYW	YBYZ	YBZC	YBZF	YBZI		
Mar-May 2024 [r]	663	3.4	419	79	166	25.0	85	281	2.5	140	49	92	32.7	62		
Mar-May 2025 [r]	687	3.5	395	137	155	22.6	84	361	3.1	191	61	110	30.4	51		
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	715	3.6	412	120	183	25.6	78	362	3.1	187	73	101	28.0	59		
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	732	3.7	406	132	195	26.6	83	371	3.2	188	75	108	29.1	70		
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	731	3.6	372	160	199	27.3	90	331	2.9	166	51	114	34.5	71		
Mar-May 2026	687	3.4	372	130	185	26.9	83	330	2.8	163	56	110	33.5	63		
Change on quarter	-44	-0.2	0	-30	-14	-0.4	-7	-1	0.0	-3	5	-4	-1.0	-7		
Change %	-6.0		0.1	-18.6	-7.2		-8.0	-0.3		-1.6	10.6	-3.2		-10.2		
Change on year	0	0.0	-23	-7	30	4.3	-1	-31	-0.3	-28	-4	1	3.1	13		
Change %	0.0		-5.8	-5.1	19.2		-0.7	-8.7		-14.6	-6.8	0.7		24.9		
Men	YBYF	MGXC	YBYI	YBYL	YBYO	YBYR	YBYU	YBYU	YBVX	YBYX	YBZA	YBZD	YBZG	YBZJ		
Mar-May 2024 [r]	324	3.3	180	41	103	31.8	66	164	2.8	76	31	58	35.2	37		
Mar-May 2025 [r]	313	3.1	174	63	77	24.5	47	220	3.7	112	35	73	33.2	32		
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	354	3.5	191	67	95	26.9	52	198	3.3	96	43	60	30.1	41		
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	368	3.6	197	63	108	29.3	44	209	3.5	96	48	66	31.4	47		
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	355	3.5	176	76	103	29.1	50	187	3.1	90	24	73	39.2	47		
Mar-May 2026	367	3.6	203	62	102	27.9	54	186	3.1	83	29	74	39.6	44		
Change on quarter	12	0.1	27	-14	-1	-1.2	4	-1	-0.1	-7	6	0	0.4	-3		
Change %	3.3		15.3	-18.6	-1.1		7.8	-0.6		-7.8	23.4	0.5		-7.4		
Change on year	54	0.5	29	-1	26	3.4	8	-34	-0.6	-29	-6	1	6.4	12		
Change %	17.2		16.6	-1.2	33.5		16.1	-15.5		-25.7	-17.2	0.9		38.3		
Women	YBYG	MGXD	YBYJ	YBYM	YBYP	YBYS	YBYV	YBYV	YBYV	YBYW	YBZB	YBZE	YBZH	YBZK		
Mar-May 2024 [r]	339	3.5	239	37	63	18.5	19	117	2.2	64	19	34	29.2	25		
Mar-May 2025 [r]	374	3.8	221	74	78	21.0	37	141	2.6	79	25	37	26.0	19		
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	361	3.7	221	52	88	24.3	26	164	3.0	91	31	42	25.5	18		
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	365	3.7	209	69	87	23.9	38	162	2.9	92	27	42	26.2	23		
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	376	3.8	196	84	96	25.5	40	144	2.6	76	27	41	28.4	23		
Mar-May 2026	320	3.3	169	68	82	25.8	29	144	2.6	80	27	37	25.5	20		
Change on quarter	-56	-0.6	-27	-16	-13	0.3	-11	0	0.0	4	0	-4	-2.9	-4		
Change %	-14.8		-13.6	-18.6	-13.9		-28.0	0.1		5.9	-0.5	-10.0		-15.9		
Change on year	-54	-0.5	-52	-6	4	4.8	-8	3	0.0	1	2	0	-0.5	1		
Change %	-14.4		-23.4	-8.3	5.1		-22.0	1.9		1.0	7.6	0.1		2.7		

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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
Mar-May 2024 [r]	34,903	33,384	476	3,851	7,923	11,524	9,610	1,519
Mar-May 2025 [r]	35,814	34,154	470	3,963	8,031	11,868	9,822	1,660
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	35,959	34,205	513	4,019	8,019	11,834	9,819	1,754
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	36,145	34,361	480	4,101	8,074	11,898	9,809	1,783
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	36,104	34,334	466	4,047	8,078	11,959	9,784	1,771
Mar-May 2026	36,235	34,418	486	4,056	8,088	11,963	9,826	1,817
Change on quarter	131	85	20	9	10	4	42	46
Change %	0.4	0.2	4.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.4	2.6
Change on year	421	285	16	92	57	95	4	157
Change %	1.2	0.8	3.5	2.3	0.7	0.8	0.0	9.4
Men	MGSG	YBSL	YBZM	YBZP	YBZS	YBZV	YBZY	YCAE
Mar-May 2024 [r]	17,955	17,072	222	1,993	4,035	5,842	4,980	883
Mar-May 2025 [r]	18,454	17,481	225	2,078	4,128	6,008	5,041	972
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	18,531	17,514	249	2,087	4,135	5,997	5,046	1,017
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	18,580	17,580	232	2,150	4,133	6,016	5,049	999
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	18,576	17,590	220	2,122	4,152	6,094	5,002	986
Mar-May 2026	18,746	17,721	243	2,148	4,168	6,126	5,036	1,025
Change on quarter	170	131	22	26	16	32	34	39
Change %	0.9	0.7	10.2	1.2	0.4	0.5	0.7	4.0
Change on year	292	239	17	70	40	117	-6	53
Change %	1.6	1.4	7.7	3.4	1.0	2.0	-0.1	5.4
Women	MGSH	LF2L	YBZN	YBZQ	YBZT	YBZW	LF3B	LFK9
Mar-May 2024 [r]	16,948	16,312	254	1,858	3,888	5,683	4,630	636
Mar-May 2025 [r]	17,360	16,672	244	1,885	3,903	5,860	4,780	688
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	17,428	16,690	264	1,932	3,884	5,837	4,772	737
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	17,565	16,781	248	1,951	3,941	5,881	4,760	784
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	17,528	16,744	245	1,925	3,926	5,866	4,782	785
Mar-May 2026	17,489	16,698	243	1,907	3,920	5,838	4,790	791
Change on quarter	-39	-46	-2	-17	-6	-28	8	7
Change %	-0.2	-0.3	-0.9	-0.9	-0.2	-0.5	0.2	0.8
Change on year	129	25	-1	22	17	-22	9	104
Change %	0.7	0.2	-0.4	1.2	0.4	-0.4	0.2	15.1

Economic activity rates (%)

People	MGWG	LF22	YCAG	YCAJ	YCAM	YCAP	LF2C	LFL2
Mar-May 2024 [r]	62.8	77.9	29.9	67.5	87.0	87.3	72.4	12.0
Mar-May 2025 [r]	63.8	79.0	28.9	68.4	87.8	88.5	74.1	12.8
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	63.9	79.0	31.5	69.1	87.6	87.8	74.1	13.5
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	64.0	79.2	29.4	70.2	88.2	87.9	74.2	13.7
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	63.8	79.0	28.5	69.0	88.2	88.0	74.1	13.5
Mar-May 2026	63.9	79.1	29.7	68.8	88.3	87.7	74.5	13.8
Change on quarter	0.1	0.1	1.2	-0.2	0.1	-0.4	0.4	0.3
Change on year	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.4	0.5	-0.8	0.4	0.9
Men	MGWH	MGSP	YCAH	YCAK	YCAN	YCAQ	MGWQ	MGWT
Mar-May 2024 [r]	66.6	81.0	27.2	68.7	90.5	91.2	76.7	15.0
Mar-May 2025 [r]	67.6	82.2	27.1	70.3	91.8	92.4	77.8	16.2
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	67.7	82.2	29.8	70.3	91.8	91.8	78.0	16.8
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	67.7	82.3	27.8	72.1	91.7	91.7	78.1	16.4
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	67.6	82.2	26.3	70.8	92.0	92.5	77.5	16.1
Mar-May 2026	68.0	82.7	29.0	71.3	92.3	92.6	78.1	16.7
Change on quarter	0.4	0.5	2.7	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.6
Change on year	0.4	0.5	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.5
Women	MGWI	LF23	YCAI	YCAL	YCAO	YCAR	LF2D	LFL3
Mar-May 2024 [r]	59.3	74.8	32.7	66.4	83.7	83.6	68.3	9.4
Mar-May 2025 [r]	60.1	75.9	30.8	66.5	83.9	84.8	70.6	9.9
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	60.2	75.8	33.2	67.9	83.5	84.1	70.5	10.6
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	60.5	76.2	31.1	68.3	84.8	84.3	70.4	11.2
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	60.3	75.9	30.8	67.1	84.5	83.7	70.8	11.2
Mar-May 2026	60.0	75.6	30.5	66.2	84.5	83.0	71.0	11.2
Change on quarter	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	-0.1	-0.8	0.2	0.0
Change on year	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	0.6	-1.8	0.4	1.3

Data source: Labour Force Survey

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

[r] Revised data due to a seasonal adjustment review

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

11 Economic inactivity: reasons

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	Total aged 16-64		Economic inactivity by reason (aged 16 to 64)						Wanting/not wanting a job (aged 16 to 64)	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
People	LF63	LF65	LF67	LF69	LFL8	LF6B	LF6D	LFL9	LFM2	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	9,487	2,530	1,744	224	2,829	22	1,083	1,055	7,644	1,843
Mar-May 2025 [r]	9,082	2,412	1,562	192	2,776	35	1,029	1,076	7,063	2,020
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	9,114	2,328	1,589	181	2,824	38	1,023	1,132	7,063	2,051
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	9,026	2,404	1,559	196	2,800	37	1,033	998	6,944	2,082
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	9,123	2,459	1,555	205	2,792	30	1,038	1,045	7,007	2,116
Mar-May 2026	9,108	2,446	1,547	185	2,747	29	1,041	1,114	6,965	2,143
Change on quarter	-15	-13	-8	-20	-45	-1	3	68	-42	27
Change %	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-9.9	-1.6	-2.3	0.3	6.5	-0.6	1.3
Change on year	25	33	-15	-7	-28	-6	11	38	-98	123
Change %	0.3	1.4	-1.0	-3.7	-1.0	-17.4	1.1	3.5	-1.4	6.1
Men	BEEX	BEAQ	BEDI	BEDL	YCFP	BEDR	BEDU	YBWA	YBWD	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	4,001	1,271	265	124	1,311	13	487	530	3,157	844
Mar-May 2025 [r]	3,788	1,188	229	99	1,275	17	471	508	2,894	893
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	3,799	1,166	217	92	1,335	23	468	498	2,862	937
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	3,771	1,211	212	94	1,326	22	476	429	2,842	929
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	3,799	1,215	237	101	1,286	17	485	459	2,831	967
Mar-May 2026	3,706	1,187	215	95	1,230	15	489	476	2,759	947
Change on quarter	-93	-28	-22	-6	-56	-2	4	17	-73	-20
Change %	-2.4	-2.3	-9.3	-5.7	-4.3	-11.9	0.8	3.6	-2.6	-2.1
Change on year	-81	-1	-14	-4	-45	-3	18	-32	-135	54
Change %	-2.2	-0.1	-6.1	-4.4	-3.5	-15.5	3.8	-6.4	-4.7	6.0
Women	LF64	LF66	LF68	LF6A	LFM3	LF6C	LF6E	LFM4	LFM5	
Mar-May 2024 [r]	5,486	1,280	1,479	99	1,518	10	596	525	4,487	999
Mar-May 2025 [r]	5,295	1,224	1,334	92	1,501	18	558	567	4,168	1,126
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	5,315	1,162	1,371	89	1,488	15	555	634	4,201	1,114
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	5,255	1,193	1,347	102	1,474	15	556	568	4,102	1,153
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	5,324	1,244	1,318	104	1,506	13	553	586	4,176	1,149
Mar-May 2026	5,402	1,259	1,332	90	1,517	14	552	638	4,206	1,196
Change on quarter	77	15	14	-15	11	1	-1	52	30	47
Change %	1.5	1.2	1.1	-14.0	0.7	10.0	-0.2	8.8	0.7	4.1
Change on year	107	34	-1	-3	16	-3	-6	70	38	69
Change %	2.0	2.8	-0.1	-2.9	1.1	-19.2	-1.2	12.4	0.9	6.2
Percentage of economically inactive aged from 16 to 64 (%)										
People	LF6V	LF6X	LF6Z	LF73	LF75	LF77	LF79	LF7B	LF7D	LF7F
Mar-May 2024 [r]	100.0	26.7	18.4	2.4	29.8	0.2	11.4	11.1	80.6	19.4
Mar-May 2025 [r]	100.0	26.6	17.2	2.1	30.6	0.4	11.3	11.8	77.8	22.2
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	100.0	25.5	17.4	2.0	31.0	0.4	11.2	12.4	77.5	22.5
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	100.0	26.6	17.3	2.2	31.0	0.4	11.4	11.1	76.9	23.1
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	100.0	26.9	17.0	2.2	30.6	0.3	11.4	11.5	76.8	23.2
Mar-May 2026	100.0	26.9	17.0	2.0	30.2	0.3	11.4	12.2	76.5	23.5
Men	BEBP	BEEH	BEEK	BEEN	BEEQ	BEET	BEEW	BEEZ	BEAS	BEGT
Mar-May 2024 [r]	100.0	31.8	6.6	3.1	32.8	0.3	12.2	13.2	78.9	21.1
Mar-May 2025 [r]	100.0	31.4	6.0	2.6	33.7	0.5	12.4	13.4	76.4	23.6
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	100.0	30.7	5.7	2.4	35.1	0.6	12.3	13.1	75.3	24.7
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	100.0	32.1	5.6	2.5	35.2	0.6	12.6	11.4	75.4	24.6
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	100.0	32.0	6.2	2.7	33.8	0.4	12.8	12.1	74.5	25.5
Mar-May 2026	100.0	32.0	5.8	2.6	33.2	0.4	13.2	12.8	74.4	25.6
Women	LF6W	LF6Y	LF72	LF74	LF76	LF78	LF7A	LF7C	LF7E	LF7G
Mar-May 2024 [r]	100.0	23.0	27.0	1.8	27.7	0.2	10.9	9.6	81.8	18.2
Mar-May 2025 [r]	100.0	23.1	25.2	1.7	28.4	0.3	10.5	10.7	78.7	21.3
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	100.0	21.9	25.8	1.7	28.0	0.3	10.4	11.9	79.0	21.0
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	100.0	22.7	25.6	1.9	28.0	0.3	10.6	10.8	78.1	21.9
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	100.0	23.4	24.8	2.0	28.3	0.2	10.4	11.0	78.4	21.6
Mar-May 2026	100.0	23.3	24.7	1.7	28.1	0.3	10.2	11.8	77.9	22.1

Data Source: Labour Force Survey.

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

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.

[r] Revised data due to a seasonal adjustment review

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

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

Mar-May 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	341	145	1,148	1,378	273	117	988	256	69	28	160
18-24	5,893	3,457	598	1,838	2,000	714	157	1,128	3,894	2,743	441	710
16-24	7,528	3,799	743	2,986	3,378	987	274	2,117	4,150	2,812	469	869

Men

16-17	837	163	80	594	696	126	58	512	141	37	22	82
18-24	3,014	1,786	362	865	946	324	87	535	2,068	1,462	275	331
16-24	3,851	1,949	442	1,460	1,642	450	145	1,047	2,209	1,500	297	413

Women

16-17	797	178	65	554	682	147	58	476	115	31	6	78
18-24	2,880	1,671	237	972	1,054	390	71	593	1,826	1,281	166	379
16-24	3,677	1,849	301	1,526	1,736	537	129	1,070	1,941	1,312	172	457

Changes on quarter

People

16-17	1	10	10	-19	-30	1	8	-39	31	9	2	20
18-24	26	-8	18	17	16	-8	17	6	10	-1	0	11
16-24	27	2	28	-3	-14	-6	25	-33	41	8	2	30

Men

16-17	0	12	11	-22	-19	7	5	-31	19	4	6	9
18-24	15	28	-2	-12	-10	1	13	-23	24	28	-15	11
16-24	15	40	9	-34	-28	8	18	-54	43	32	-9	20

Women

16-17	0	-2	0	2	-11	-6	3	-8	12	4	-3	11
18-24	11	-37	19	29	26	-8	5	30	-14	-28	15	-1
16-24	12	-38	19	31	14	-15	8	21	-3	-24	11	10

Rates(%)³

People

16-17	20.9	29.8	70.3		19.8	30.0	71.7		26.8	28.9	62.3
18-24	58.7	14.8	31.2		35.7	18.1	56.4		70.4	13.9	18.2
16-24	50.5	16.4	39.7		29.2	21.7	62.7		67.8	14.3	20.9

Men

16-17	19.5	32.9	71.0		18.1	31.7	73.6		26.4	36.8	58.3
18-24	59.3	16.8	28.7		34.3	21.1	56.6		70.7	15.8	16.0
16-24	50.6	18.5	37.9		27.4	24.4	63.8		67.9	16.5	18.7

Women

16-17	22.4	26.6	69.5		21.6	28.5	69.9		27.3	16.7	67.2
18-24	58.0	12.4	33.8		37.0	15.3	56.3		70.1	11.5	20.8
16-24	50.3	14.0	41.5		30.9	19.4	61.6		67.6	11.6	23.5

Changes on quarter

People

16-17	0.6	0.9	-1.2		0.5	1.4	-1.3		0.2	-1.0	0.2
18-24	-0.4	0.4	0.2		-0.7	1.8	-0.1		-0.2	0.0	0.2
16-24	-0.2	0.5	-0.2		-0.1	1.7	-0.7		-0.5	0.0	0.5

Men

16-17	1.4	1.5	-2.7		1.5	0.6	-2.4		-0.5	4.1	-1.8
18-24	0.7	-0.3	-0.5		0.4	2.5	-1.9		0.5	-1.0	0.4
16-24	0.8	0.0	-1.0		0.9	2.0	-2.2		0.1	-0.7	0.6

Women

16-17	-0.2	0.0	0.3		-0.5	1.8	-0.1		1.1	-9.7	2.8
18-24	-1.5	1.1	0.9		-1.8	1.1	1.5		-1.0	1.1	0.1
16-24	-1.2	1.0	0.7		-1.1	1.3	0.7		-1.1	0.8	0.5

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

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

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/unemployment/bulletins/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
May 24	691	5.5	5.8	696	5.5	5.7	667	6.5	6.3
Mar 25 (r)	721	5.3	5.4	723	5.2	5.3	699	5.1	5.5
Apr 25 (r)	720	4.6	5.2	725	4.7	5.2	700	5.7	5.6
May 25 (r)	724	4.7	4.9	730	4.9	4.9	703	5.4	5.4
Jun 25	725	4.8	4.7	732	4.6	4.7	703	4.9	5.3
Jul 25	728	5.0	4.8	734	4.9	4.8 (r)	709	5.3	5.2 (r)
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	747	3.9	3.9	750	3.7	3.6	732	5.0	5.2
Mar 26 (r)	754	4.7	4.4	756	4.6	4.2	732	4.7	4.9
Apr 26 (r)	754	4.7	4.4	756	4.3	4.2	742	5.9	5.2
May 26 (p)	749	3.5	4.3	753	3.2	4.0	745	5.9	5.5
	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
May 24	678	5.7	5.8	942	6.0	7.0	662	6.4	6.3
Mar 25 (r)	706	4.9	5.1	970	1.8	2.8	698	5.7	6.0
Apr 25 (r)	707	4.7	5.1	973	4.6	3.2	700	6.2	6.0
May 25 (r)	712	5.0	4.9	968	2.7	3.0	702	5.9	5.9
Jun 25	712	4.8	4.8	969	2.3	3.2 (r)	706	6.5	6.2
Jul 25	715	5.1	5.0 (r)	973	4.0	3.0 (r)	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	735	4.3	4.1	1007	5.4	3.5	730	5.0	5.1
Mar 26 (r)	742	5.0	4.8	1028	6.0	5.8	730	4.6	4.8
Apr 26 (r)	741	4.8	4.7	1004	3.2	4.9	742	5.9	5.2
May 26 (p)	740	3.9	4.6	997	3.0	4.1	743	5.9	5.5
	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
May 24	759	6.2	6.3	766	2.7	2.0	454	6.6	5.2
Mar 25 (r)	792	5.1	5.9	815	10.3	8.2	478	7.0	6.9
Apr 25 (r)	785	3.5	5.0	806	5.6	7.9	483	6.8	7.7
May 25 (r)	793	4.4	4.3	802	4.8	6.8	487	7.2	7.0
Jun 25	804	5.4	4.5 (r)	813	4.9	5.1 (r)	481	5.5	6.5
Jul 25	797	4.7	4.9 (r)	814	4.6	4.7	489	5.7	6.2 (r)
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	817	3.8	4.1	800	-2.1	-0.4	502	3.8	4.8
Mar 26 (r)	820	3.5	3.7	794	-2.6	-1.6	510	6.6	5.0
Apr 26 (r)	823	4.9	4.1	820	1.8	-1.0	507	5.0	5.2
May 26 (p)	812	2.4	3.6	808	0.7	-0.1	506	3.9	5.2

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.

EARNINGS

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
May 24	46	7.2	5.5	58	8.1	5.9	3	16.7	-13.6
Mar 25 (r)	49	5.2	2.0	60	8.8	3.0	1	-55.5	-25.9
Apr 25 (r)	46	-1.5	3.9	56	-2.8	3.5	2	-1.0	-20.5
May 25 (r)	48	4.1	2.6	59	0.7	2.1	2	-36.5	-35.5
Jun 25	47	4.9	2.4 (r)	60	6.8	1.5 (r)	2	-54.7	-37.0 (r)
Jul 25	49	15.0	7.8 (r)	60	13.2	6.7 (r)	3	-22.2	-38.5 (r)
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	53	10.4	8.2	64	10.3	8.0	3	30.3	0.3
Mar 26 (r)	55	12.9	15.3	66	10.5	13.8	2	48.5	30.4
Apr 26 (r)	55	19.6	14.2	68	22.1	14.1	3	66.4	46.0
May 26 (p)	52	8.4	13.6	63	7.2	13.1	2	14.4	41.4

	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
May 24	49	9.8	5.5	114	3.3	5.7	2	7.6	-16.0
Mar 25 (r)	50	6.8	1.7	121	8.0	2.2	2	8.1	5.5
Apr 25 (r)	47	-0.1	3.2	112	0.1	3.0	1	4.7	20.9
May 25 (r)	49	-0.2	2.1	102	-10.6	-0.9	2	-22.1	-5.8
Jun 25	48	3.9	1.2 (r)	119	0.3	-3.4 (r)	2	17.0	-1.6 (r)
Jul 25	49	12.4	5.1 (r)	120	16.0	1.4 (r)	2	-15.9	-8.0 (r)
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	54	11.8	8.5	132	20.4	8.8	3	85.0	16.9
Mar 26 (r)	56	11.8	15.0	132	8.8	19.9	2	30.6	44.4
Apr 26 (r)	57	20.2	14.5	138	23.3	17.2	2	70.9	62.4
May 26 (p)	53	9.0	13.6	118	15.3	15.6	2	1.8	31.0

	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
May 24	38	12.1	11.2	36	-31.1	-17.7	32	45.0	8.6
Mar 25 (r)	38	7.7	15.1	50	65.4	31.0	27	6.3	-1.5
Apr 25 (r)	35	-11.4	6.4	44	11.4	38.2	27	3.2	4.4
May 25 (r)	39	2.8	-0.6	46	30.0	33.2	30	-8.6	-0.4
Jun 25	44	19.4	3.4 (r)	49	19.2	19.9 (r)	24	-9.1	-5.1 (r)
Jul 25	36	11.0	11.1 (r)	49	21.5	23.3 (r)	28	3.1	-5.0 (r)
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	49	21.0	17.4	41	-20.6	-13.0	33	26.6	15.5
Mar 26 (r)	40	6.0	13.0	42	-17.0	-14.6	34	27.4	19.9
Apr 26 (r)	48	39.6	21.6	58	31.6	-3.5	34	22.8	25.6
May 26 (p)	38	-2.1	13.6	50	8.0	6.5	33	12.1	20.5

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

Earnings enquiries: 01633 456120

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- 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
May 24	645	5.4	5.7	639	5.1	5.6	665	6.4	6.4
Mar 25	671	5.0	5.6	664	4.8	5.6	697	5.4 (r)	5.6
Apr 25	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	702 (r)	5.5	5.6
Jun 25	679	4.8	5.0	672	4.5	4.8	704	5.9	5.8 (r)
Jul 25	680	4.7	4.8	674	4.5	4.6 (r)	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	4.9	5.2
Mar 26	694	3.4	3.4	685	3.1	3.1	729	4.5	4.8
Apr 26 (r)	698	3.5	3.4	687	2.9	3.0	741	5.9	5.1
May 26 (p)	699	3.3	3.4	688	2.7	2.9	743	6.0	5.5
	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
May 24	631	5.5	5.9	828	6.0	6.6	661	6.4	6.4
Mar 25	655	4.9	5.6	845	2.9	3.9	696	5.7	6.0
Apr 25	659	5.0	5.3	854	3.2	3.3	698	6.3	6.1
May 25 (r)	663	5.1	5.0	854	3.2	3.1	701	5.9	6.0
Jun 25	665	4.8	5.0	853	2.6	3.0	703	6.2	6.2
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	679	3.5	3.7	870	2.6	2.4	727	4.9	5.1
Mar 26	679	3.6	3.6	868	2.7	2.6	727	4.6	4.8
Apr 26 (r)	685	3.8	3.7	872	2.1	2.5	740	6.0	5.1
May 26 (p)	687	3.6	3.7	872	2.1	2.3	742	5.9	5.5
	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
May 24	724	5.9	6.2	733	4.1	3.1	426	5.0	5.5
Mar 25 (r)	750	5.1	5.6	764	6.2	6.7	452	7.1	7.3
Apr 25	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	7.5 (r)	7.2
Jun 25	759	4.7	4.7 (r)	764	4.1	4.3	458	6.2	6.9
Jul 25	761	4.4	4.5	765	3.7	3.9 (r)	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	-0.9	0.5	466	2.7	4.2
Mar 26	774 (r)	3.2	3.2	756	-1.0	-0.6	470	4.0	3.8
Apr 26 (r)	774	2.6	3.0	763	0.1	-0.6	472	3.8	3.5
May 26 (p)	776	2.5	2.8	763	0.3	-0.2	472	3.1	3.6

Source: Monthly Wages & Salaries Survey

Earnings enquiries: 01633 456120

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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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
May 24	691	5.5	5.8	524	2.6	2.4
Mar 25 (r)	721	5.3	5.4	529	1.4	1.6
Apr 25 (r)	720	4.6	5.2	526	0.1	1.2
May 25 (r)	724	4.7	4.9	529	0.8	0.8
Jun 25	725	4.8	4.7	527	0.7	0.6 (r)
Jul 25	728	5.0	4.8	527	0.8	0.8 (r)
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	747	3.9	3.9	532	0.7	0.6
Mar 26	754	4.7	4.4	536	1.2	1.1
Apr 26 (r)	754	4.7	4.4	535	1.7	1.2
May 26 (p)	749	3.5	4.3	531	0.5	1.1

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
May 24	645	5.4	5.7	489	2.6	2.5
Mar 25	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	694	3.4	3.4	492	-0.1	0.1
Apr 26 (r)	698	3.5	3.4	494	0.5	0.1
May 26 (p)	699	3.3	3.4	495	0.4	0.3

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									
G7 Employment rates					G7 Unemployment				
	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)
United Kingdom ^{1,2,3}	2026 Q1	75.0	0.0	0.0	United Kingdom ^{1,2,3}	2026 Q1	5.0	-0.2	0.5
Canada	2026 Q2	74.5	0.2	0.5	Canada	2026 Q2	6.7	0.0	-0.3
France	2026 Q1	69.4	0.1	0.0	France	2026 Q1	8.1	0.1	0.7
Germany ⁴	2026 Q1	77.3	0.0	0.0	Germany ⁴	2026 Q1	3.9	0.0	0.2
Italy	2026 Q1	62.8	0.4	0.0	Italy	2026 Q1	5.0	-0.4	-1.4
Japan	2026 Q1	80.2	-0.1	0.3	Japan	2026 Q1	2.7	0.1	0.2
United States ^{3,5}	2026 Q2	71.6	-0.1	-0.1	United States ^{3,5}	2026 Q2	4.3	-0.1	0.1

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

1. As figures are taken from OECD they will not match ONS published figures for the United Kingdom.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. Estimated values are highlighted with shaded cells.
5. [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
Dataset identifier code	BBFW	BLUU	BLUT
May 2020	[x]	[x]	[x]
May 2021	[x]	[x]	[x]
May 2022	32	76	9
May 2023	133	344	101
May 2024	51	85	20
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	23	43	6
April 2026 [r]	120	240	36
May 2026 [p]	26	49	6

Data source: ONS Labour Disputes Survey
Labour disputes enquiries 01633 455400

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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

		Number of employees					
		All Vacancies	1-9	10-49	50-249	250-2499	2500+
		AP2Y	ALY5	ALY6	ALY7	ALY8	ALY9
Levels							
Apr-Jun 2024		872	138	130	132	191	281
Apr-Jun 2025	(r)	730	108	113	110	167	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		725	113	100	107	171	235
Jan-Mar 2026	(r)	718	106	100	108	170	236
Feb-Apr 2026	(r)	713	103	99	105	169	238
Mar-May 2026	(r)	710	98	99	107	167	239
Apr-Jun 2026	(p)	712	98	101	105	168	240
Change on quarter	*	-7	-8	1	-3	-2	4
Change %	*	-0.9	-7.1	1.4	-2.7	-0.9	1.7
Change on year		-18	-10	-12	-5	1	7
Change %		-2.5	-9.3	-10.6	-4.6	0.8	3.2

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				
Mar-May 2024	(r)	885	1,545	1.7
Mar-May 2025	(r)	738	1,679	2.3
Jun-Aug 2025	(r)	737	1,738	2.4
Sep-Nov 2025	(r)	730	1,833	2.5
Dec-Feb 2026	(r)	725	1,777	2.5
Mar-May 2026	(r)	710	1,760	2.5
Change on quarter		-15	-17	0.0
Change %		-2.0	-1.0	
Change on year		-27	81	0.2
Change %		-3.7	4.8	

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).

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21 Vacancies by industry

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

SIC 2007 sections	All vacancies ¹ B-S	Mining & quarrying B	Manufacturing C	Electricity, gas, steam & air conditioning supply ² D	Water supply, sewerage, waste & remediation activities E	Construction F	Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles G	Transport & storage H	Accommodation & food service activities I	Information & communication J
	AP2Y	JP9H	JP9I	JP9J	JP9K	JP9L	JP9M	JP9N	JP9O	JP9P
Levels (thousands)										
Apr-Jun 2024	872	2	64	4	6	37	108	35	96	41
Apr-Jun 2025 (r)	730	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	725	1	50	3	6	27	88	35	73	40
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	718	1	49	3	6	28	90	34	72	37
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	713	1	50	3	7	30	87	33	70	40
Mar-May 2026 (r)	710	1	51	3	7	32	86	33	70	41
Apr-Jun 2026 (p)	712	1	48	3	7	34	87	32	71	41
Change on quarter *	-7	0	-1	0	1	6	-3	-2	-1	4
Change % *	-0.9	8.3	-2.8	0.0	10.2	20.9	-3.1	-5.6	-1.4	9.9
Change on year	-18	0	-1	-1	-1	3	-6	0	-9	6
Change %	-2.5	8.3	-2.4	-17.9	-8.5	11.3	-6.9	-0.9	-10.8	17.2
	AP2Z	JPA2	JPA3	JPA4	JPA5	JPA6	JPA7	JPA8	JPA9	JPB2
Vacancies per 100 employee jobs										
Apr-Jun 2024	2.7	3.3	2.7	3.3	2.7	2.3	2.4	2.2	3.9	2.8
Apr-Jun 2025 (r)	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.9	3.0	1.9	2.1	1.9	3.2	2.5
May-Jul 2025	2.3	2.8	2.0	2.5	3.0	1.9	2.1	1.8	3.1	2.4
Jun-Aug 2025	2.3	2.8	2.1	2.5	3.2	1.9	2.2	1.8	3.2	2.6
Jul-Sep 2025	2.3	2.5	2.0	2.4	3.1	1.8	2.2	1.8	3.1	2.6
Aug-Oct 2025	2.3	2.3	2.0	2.4	3.4	1.8	2.1	1.8	3.1	2.5
Sep-Nov 2025	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.3	3.0	1.8	2.2	1.9	3.1	2.4
Oct-Dec 2025	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	3.0	1.8	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.6
Nov-Jan 2026	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.7	1.8	2.1	2.1	3.1	2.7
Dec-Feb 2026	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	2.1	2.0	2.9	2.6
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.4	2.8	1.8	2.0	2.0	2.8	2.8
Mar-May 2026 (r)	2.2	2.8	2.2	2.4	2.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.8	2.9
Apr-Jun 2026 (p)	2.2	2.8	2.0	2.4	2.8	2.1	2.0	1.9	2.9	2.9
Change on quarter *	0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.3	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.3
Change on year	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.4
	JPB3	JPB4	JPB5	JPB6	JPB7	JPB8	JPB9	JPC2	JPC3	JPC4
Vacancies per 100 employee jobs										
Apr-Jun 2024	3.1	2.3	3.0	2.3	2.1	2.1	3.4	2.5	2.9	2.8
Apr-Jun 2025 (r)	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	1.7	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	3.0	1.8	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.7	2.0	2.3	2.3
Jan-Mar 2026 (r)	3.0	2.0	2.5	1.8	1.9	1.7	2.7	1.7	2.3	2.3
Feb-Apr 2026 (r)	3.0	1.5	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.7	1.5	2.3	2.2
Mar-May 2026 (r)	3.0	1.5	2.3	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.7	1.4	2.2	2.2
Apr-Jun 2026 (p)	3.0	1.6	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.6	1.7	2.2	2.2
Change on quarter *	0.0	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Change on year	0.0	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	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
Mar-May 2024 [r]	99	3.4	67	4.7	31	2.2
Mar-May 2025 [r]	114	3.9	72	5.0	42	2.8
Jun-Aug 2025 [r]	113	3.8	67	4.6	46	3.1
Sep-Nov 2025 [r]	145	4.9	74	5.0	72	4.8
Dec-Feb 2026 [r]	136	4.6	71	4.8	65	4.3
Mar-May 2026	108	3.6	59	4.0	49	3.3
Change on quarter	-28	-0.9	-12	-0.8	-16	-1.0
Change %	-20.6		-17.4		-24.1	
Change on year	-6	-0.2	-14	-1.0	8	0.5
Change %	-5.2		-18.9		18.7	

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.

[r] Revised data due to a seasonal adjustment review

REGIONAL SUMMARY

23(1) Regional summary of labour market headline indicators

Thousands, seasonally adjusted

Headline estimates for March - May 2026

Area Codes	Area Names	Economically active ¹		Employment		Unemployment		Economically inactive	
		Aged 16+	Aged 16-64	Aged 16+	64	Aged 16+	Aged 16+	Aged 16-64	Aged 16-64
		Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ²
K02000001	United Kingdom	36,235	79.1	34,475	75.1	1,760	4.9	9,108	20.9
K03000001	Great Britain	35,317	79.2	33,574	75.2	1,743	4.9	8,792	20.8
E92000001	England	30,942	79.5	29,399	75.4	1,543	5.0	7,589	20.5
E12000001	North East	1,343	75.4	1,267	71.5	77	5.7	420	24.6
E12000002	North West	3,985	78.4	3,794	74.6	191	4.8	1,045	21.6
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	2,900	77.9	2,733	73.2	167	5.8	786	22.1
E12000004	East Midlands	2,643	79.5	2,505	75.2	138	5.2	648	20.5
E12000005	West Midlands	3,100	77.4	2,940	73.4	161	5.2	865	22.6
E12000006	East	3,473	81.4	3,339	78.1	134	3.9	753	18.6
E12000007	London	5,196	79.3	4,857	73.8	339	6.5	1,309	20.7
E12000008	South East	5,178	81.5	4,973	78.2	205	4.0	1,097	18.5
E12000009	South West	3,124	81.4	2,993	77.9	131	4.2	664	18.6
W92000004	Wales	1,580	76.4	1,513	73.0	68	4.3	462	23.6
S92000003	Scotland	2,794	78.2	2,662	74.3	132	4.7	741	21.8
N92000002	Northern Ireland	918	73.5	901	72.1	17	1.8	316	26.5

Change on quarter (change since December 2025 - February 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+	Aged 16-64	Aged 16+	64	Aged 16+	Aged 16+	Aged 16-64	Aged 16-64
		Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ²
K02000001	United Kingdom	131	0.1	148	0.1	-17	-0.1	-15	-0.1
K03000001	Great Britain	122	0.1	136	0.1	-14	-0.1	-9	-0.1
E92000001	England	46	-0.1	81	0.0	-34	-0.1	47	0.1
E12000001	North East	5	-0.4	9	0.2	-4	-0.3	8	0.4
E12000002	North West	60	0.9	52	0.7	9	0.2	-41	-0.9
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	28	0.9	18	0.6	10	0.3	-30	-0.9
E12000004	East Midlands	-2	-0.2	6	0.0	-8	-0.3	8	0.2
E12000005	West Midlands	-4	-0.4	13	0.2	-17	-0.5	15	0.4
E12000006	East	-7	0.1	-1	0.2	-5	-0.1	-2	-0.1
E12000007	London	-91	-0.9	-57	-0.6	-34	-0.5	60	0.9
E12000008	South East	32	-0.3	26	-0.3	6	0.1	19	0.3
E12000009	South West	24	-0.2	15	-0.5	9	0.3	10	0.2
W92000004	Wales	42	1.5	36	1.2	5	0.2	-29	-1.5
S92000003	Scotland	34	0.8	19	0.3	15	0.5	-26	-0.8
N92000002	Northern Ireland	9	0.5	12	0.8	-3	-0.4	-6	-0.5

Change on year (change since March - May 2025)

Area Codes	Area Names	Economically active ¹		Employment		Unemployment		Economically inactive	
		Aged 16+	Aged 16-64	Aged 16+	64	Aged 16+	Aged 16+	Aged 16-64	Aged 16-64
		Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ²	Level	Rate (%) ³	Level	Rate (%) ²
K02000001	United Kingdom	421	0.1	340	-0.1	81	0.2	25	-0.1
K03000001	Great Britain	423	0.1	340	-0.1	83	0.2	24	-0.1
E92000001	England	367	0.0	316	-0.1	52	0.1	50	0.0
E12000001	North East	76	3.4	62	2.7	14	0.7	-55	-3.4
E12000002	North West	122	1.4	118	1.3	4	-0.1	-57	-1.4
E12000003	Yorkshire and The Humber	90	2.0	61	1.2	29	0.8	-66	-2.0
E12000004	East Midlands	72	1.0	64	0.7	9	0.2	-26	-1.0
E12000005	West Midlands	-	-0.3	9	0.0	-9	-0.3	19	0.3
E12000006	East	-16	-1.3	20	-0.5	-35	-1.0	57	1.3
E12000007	London	-10	-0.9	-25	-1.2	15	0.3	64	0.9
E12000008	South East	32	-0.7	33	-0.7	-1	0.0	49	0.7
E12000009	South West	1	-1.7	-26	-2.5	27	0.9	65	1.7
W92000004	Wales	31	0.5	37	0.8	-6	-0.5	-6	-0.5
S92000003	Scotland	25	0.6	-12	-0.6	37	1.3	-20	-0.6
N92000002	Northern Ireland	-2	-0.1	0.1		-2	-0.2	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	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.