

Statistical bulletin

Employment in the UK: October 2021

Estimates of employment, unemployment and economic inactivity for the UK.



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1 . Other pages in this release

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- [Labour market in the regions of the UK](#)
- [Earnings and employment from Pay As You Earn Real Time Information, UK](#)

2 . Main points

- June to August 2021 estimates show a continuing recovery in the labour market, with a quarterly increase in the employment rate, while the unemployment and economic inactivity rates decreased.
- Total hours worked increased on the quarter with the relaxation of many coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions.
- The UK employment rate was estimated at 75.3%, 1.3 percentage points lower than before the coronavirus pandemic (December 2019 to February 2020), but 0.5 percentage points higher than the previous quarter (March to May 2021).
- The UK unemployment rate was estimated at 4.5%, 0.5 percentage points higher than before the pandemic, but 0.4 percentage points lower than the previous quarter.
- The UK economic inactivity rate was estimated at 21.1%, 0.9 percentage points higher than before the pandemic, but 0.2 percentage points lower than the previous quarter.

3 . Coronavirus (COVID-19) and measuring the labour market

Latest Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates are based on interviews that took place from June to August 2021. Many of the government lockdown restrictions were eased during this period.

Because of coronavirus (COVID-19) and the suspension of face-to-face interviewing, we had to make operational changes to the LFS, which moved to a "by telephone" approach. This introduced an increased non-response bias to the survey, which was partially mitigated by the introduction of housing tenure-based weights into the survey in October 2020, as detailed in [Coronavirus and its impact on the Labour Force Survey](#).

However, it was acknowledged that further improvement work was required to deal with the increase in non-response from those with a non-UK country of birth or nationality. As a result, a new [weighting methodology](#) was introduced in July 2021, which calibrates to UK, EU and non-EU-born weighting populations for periods from January to March 2020. The impact on headline measures of rates is relatively small but there is a larger impact on estimates of levels and changes in levels. Further information is available in [Impact of reweighting on Labour Force Survey key indicators, UK: 2020](#). All estimates in this release are based on the new methodology.

More about economy, business and jobs

- All ONS analysis, summarised in our [economy, business and jobs roundup](#).
- Explore the latest trends in employment, prices and trade in our [economic dashboard](#).
- View [all economic data](#).

4 . Summary

Table 1: June to August 2021 headline measures and changes
UK headline economic status levels and rates, total weekly hours, and redundancy levels and rates, seasonally adjusted (unless otherwise stated), June to August 2021

	Level/Rate	Change on quarter	Change on year	Change since December 2019 to February 2020
Employment (000s, aged 16 years and over)	32,416	+235	-49	-657
Employment rate (aged 16 to 64 years)	75.3%	+0.5pp	-0.1pp	-1.3pp
Unemployment (000s, aged 16 years and over)	1,510	-126	-33	+146
Unemployment rate (aged 16 years and over)	4.5%	-0.4pp	-0.1pp	+0.5pp
Economically inactive (000s, aged 16 to 64 years)	8,715	-91	+50	+346
Economic inactivity rate (aged 16 to 64 years)	21.1%	-0.2pp	+0.2pp	+0.9pp
Total weekly hours (millions)	1,021.3	+39.9	+137.2	-30.9
Redundancies (000s, aged 16 years and over, not seasonally adjusted)	99	-5	-130	-7
Redundancy rate (per thousand, aged 16 years and over, not seasonally adjusted)	3.6	-0.2	-4.7	-0.3

Source: Office for National Statistics - Labour Force Survey

Figure 1: June to August 2021 estimates show a quarterly increase in the employment rate, while the unemployment rate and the economic inactivity rate decreased

UK employment, unemployment and economic inactivity rates, seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2006 and June to August 2021

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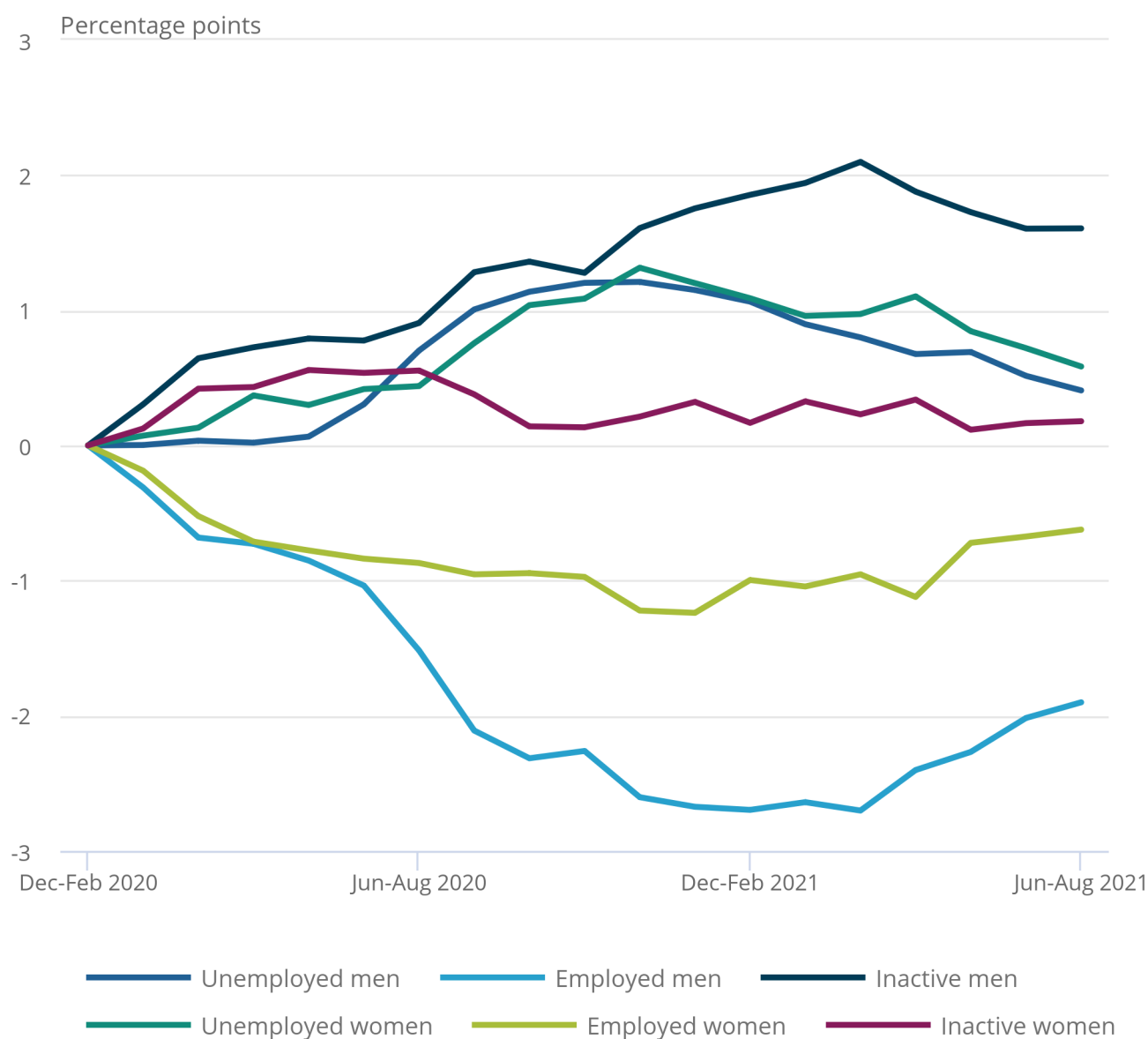
During the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, there was a decrease in the employment rate and an increase in the economic inactivity and unemployment rates for both men and women (Figure 2). Over the last quarter, however, there have been increases in the employment rates and decreases in the unemployment rates for both men and women. There was a quarterly decrease in the inactivity rate for men but it is still above pre-pandemic rates, while the inactivity rate for women has returned to pre-pandemic rates.

Figure 2: Following large falls over the pandemic, the employment rates for men and women continue to show signs of recovery

UK economic status by sex, seasonally adjusted, cumulative change from December 2019 to February 2020, for each period up to June to August 2021

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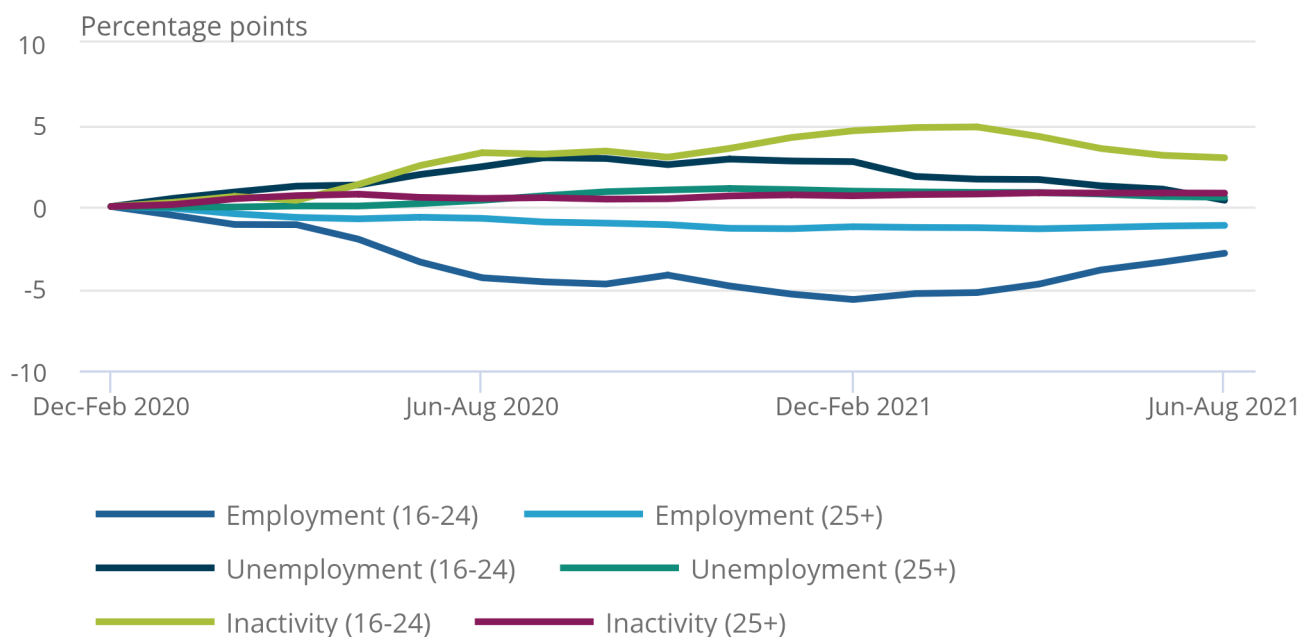
Young people (those aged 16 to 24 years) have been particularly affected by the pandemic, with the employment rate decreasing and the unemployment and economic inactivity rates increasing by more than seen for those aged 25 years and over. Over the last quarter, however, there was a record increase in the employment rate and decreases in the unemployment and inactivity rates for young people (Figure 3).

Figure 3: The employment rate for young people (those aged 16 to 24 years) has increased on the quarter

UK economic status rates by age (people aged 16 to 24 years and 25 years and over), seasonally adjusted, cumulative change from December 2019 to February 2020, for each period up to June to August 2021

Figure 3: The employment rate for young people (those aged 16 to 24 years) has increased on the quarter

UK economic status rates by age (people aged 16 to 24 years and 25 years and over), seasonally adjusted, cumulative change from December 2019 to February 2020, for each period up to June to August 2021



Source: Office for National Statistics – Labour Force Survey

5 . Employment

Following an increase in the [employment](#) rate since early 2012, the rate decreased from the start of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic in December 2019 to February 2020; however, there has been an increase since the end of 2020.

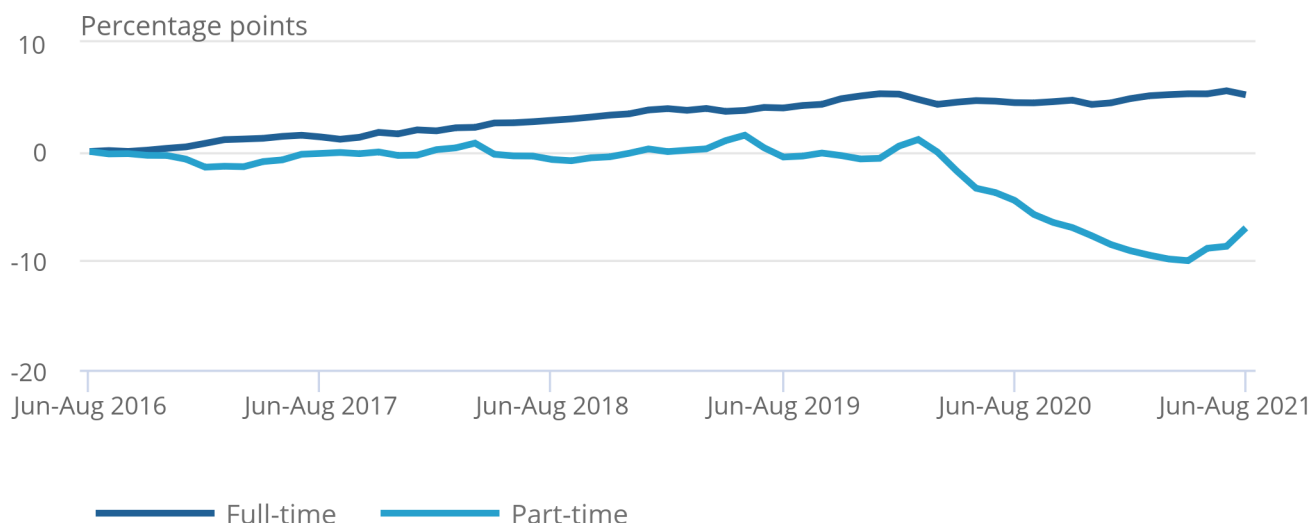
The number of part-time workers decreased strongly during the pandemic, but has been increasing since April to June 2021 (Figure 4), making up the majority of the increase in employment in the latest period.

Figure 4: Part-time workers continue to increase on the quarter following large falls during the pandemic

UK employment by full-time and part-time workers (aged 16 years and over), seasonally adjusted, cumulative change from June to August 2016, for each period up to June to August 2021

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Source: Office for National Statistics – Labour Force Survey

Hours worked

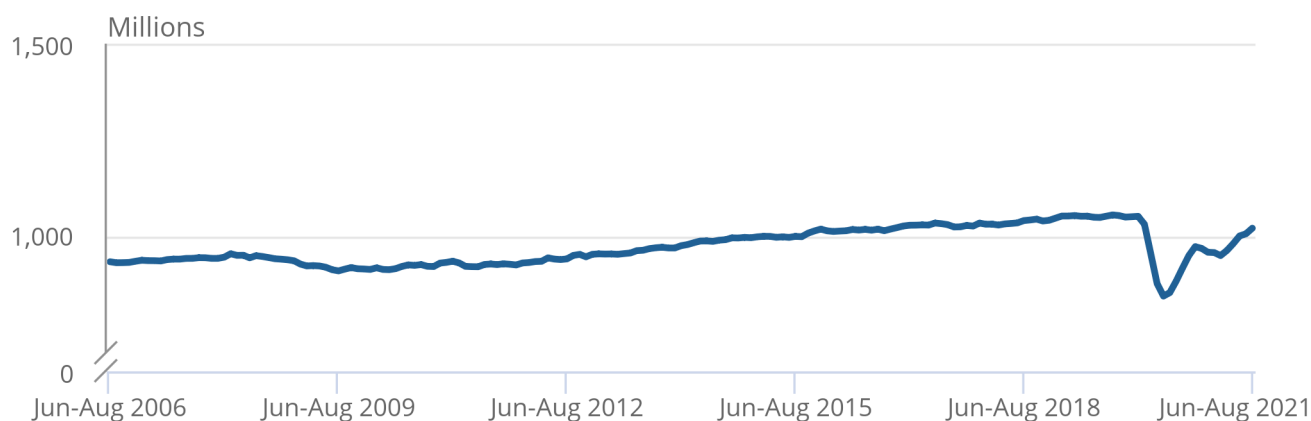
[Total actual weekly hours worked](#) in the UK increased by 39.9 million hours from the previous quarter, to 1.02 billion hours in June to August 2021 (Figure 5). This coincided with the relaxing of coronavirus lockdown measures, which had stalled the recent recovery in total hours. However, this is still 30.9 million below pre-pandemic levels (December 2019 to February 2020).

Figure 5: Total actual weekly hours worked increased on the quarter, reflecting the relaxation of coronavirus restrictions

UK total actual weekly hours worked (people aged 16 years and over), seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2006 and June to August 2021

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6 . Unemployment

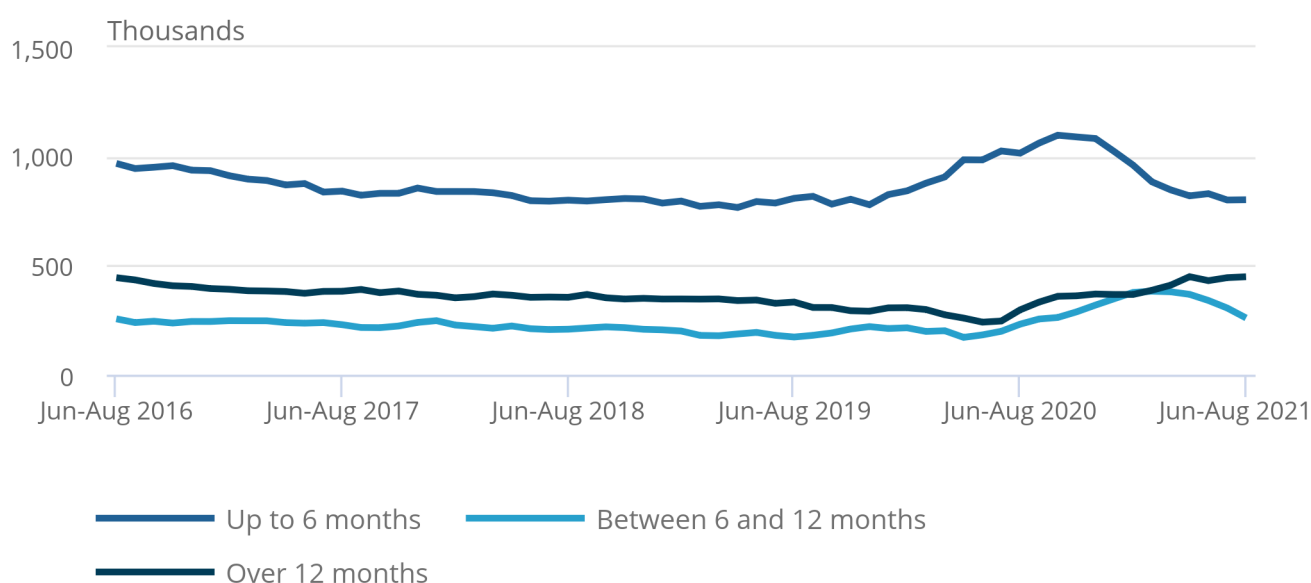
The unemployment rate had generally been falling since late 2013 up until the start of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic in December 2019 to February 2020. It has increased since then but has fallen since the end of 2020.

Figure 6: The number of people who were unemployed for up to 12 months decreased on the quarter

UK unemployment by duration (aged 16 years and over), seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2016 and June to August 2021

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UK unemployment by duration (aged 16 years and over), seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2016 and June to August 2021



Source: Office for National Statistics – Labour Force Survey

The quarterly decrease in unemployment was driven by those unemployed for up to 12 months. Quarterly decreases in those unemployed for up to 6 months have slowed in the latest periods, at around pre-pandemic levels, while those unemployed for between 6 and 12 months continued to decrease from the peak reached in early 2021. Meanwhile, those in long-term unemployment (unemployed for over 12 months) were largely unchanged on the quarter (Figure 6).

7 . Economic inactivity

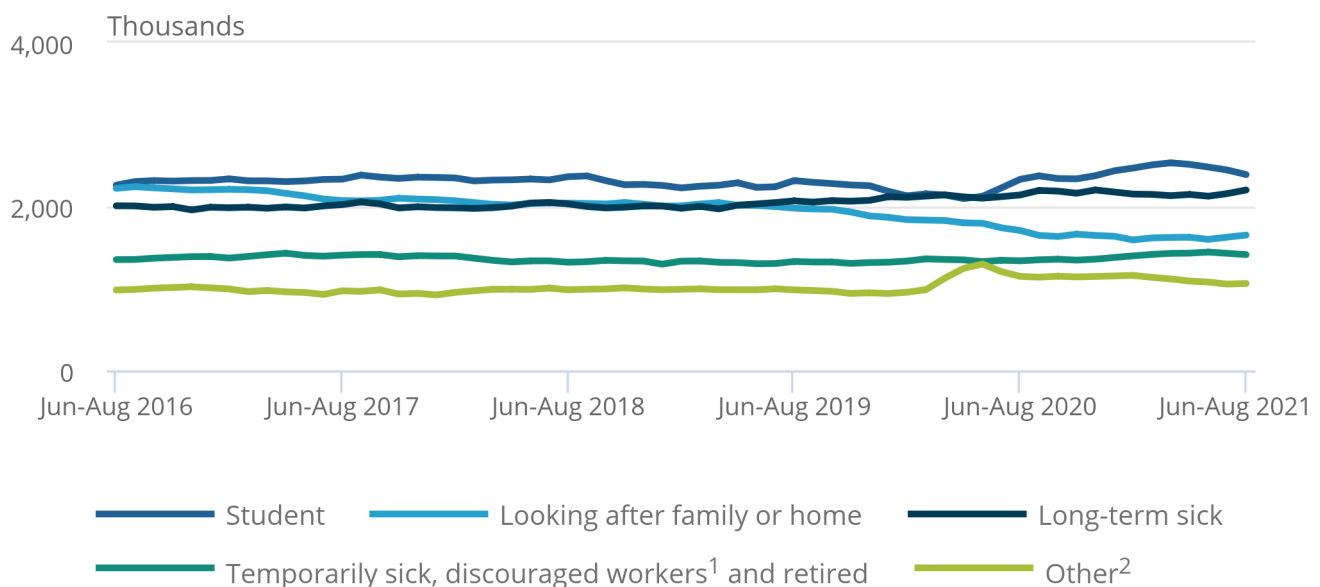
Since comparable records began in 1971, the [economic inactivity](#) rate has generally been falling; however, it has increased during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Figure 7: Over the last quarter those who are economically inactive because they are students or because of "other" reasons fell, while those looking after the family or home increased

UK economically inactive by reason (people aged 16 to 64 years), seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2016 and June to August 2021

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UK economically inactive by reason (people aged 16 to 64 years), seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2016 and June to August 2021



Source: Office for National Statistics – Labour Force Survey

Notes:

1. Discouraged workers are those who are not looking for work because they believe no jobs are available.
2. Other reasons for being economically inactive include those who are waiting for the results of a job application; have not yet started looking for work; do not need or want employment; have given an uncategorised reason for being economically inactive; or have not given a reason for being economically inactive.

In terms of reasons for economic inactivity (Figure 7), the increase since the start of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic (December 2019 to February 2020) was largely driven by those who are economically inactive because they are students or for "other" reasons. Both categories are now decreasing.

The number of economically inactive who stated that they wanted a job increased right at the start of the pandemic, but has fallen since to a record low.

8 . Redundancies

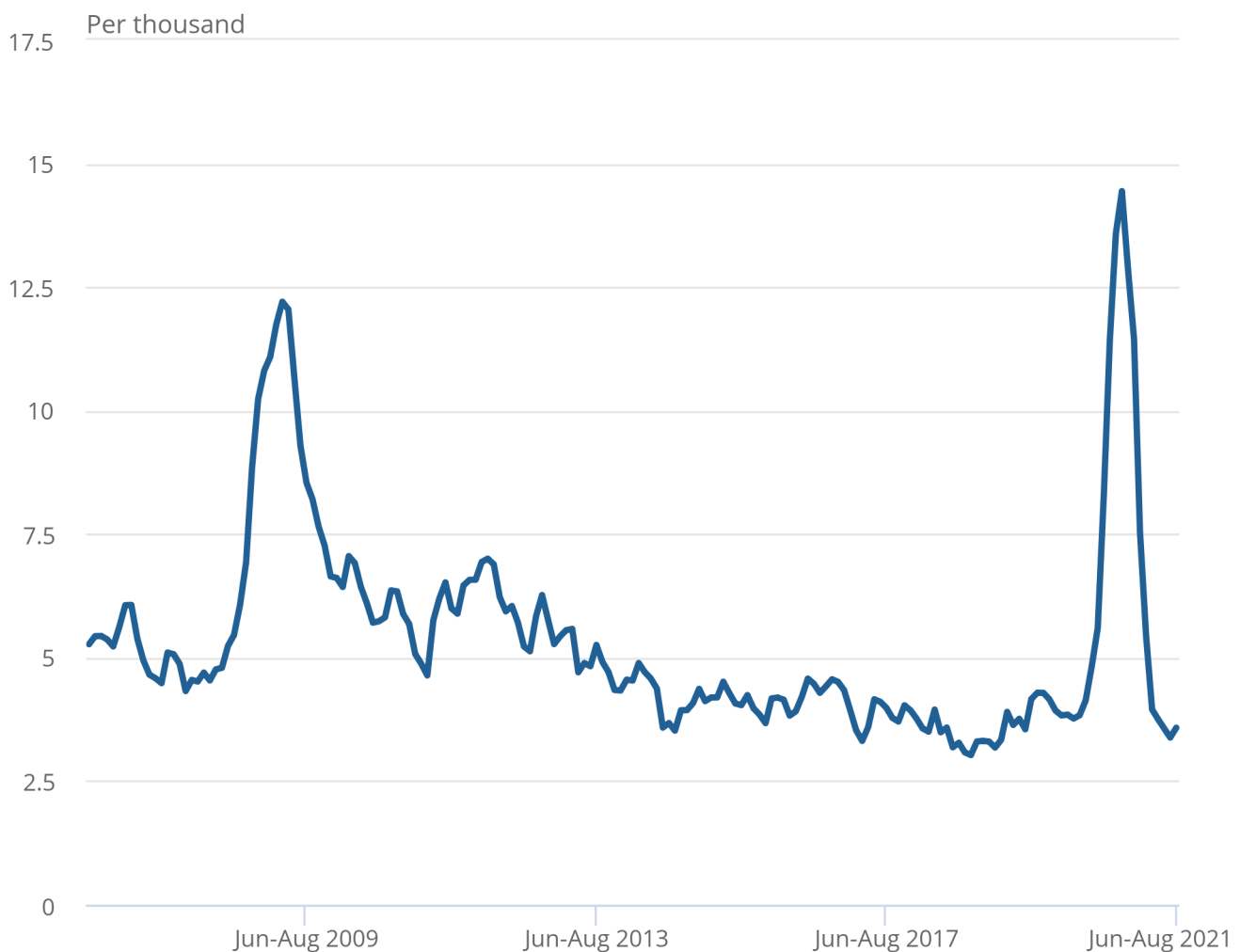
In June to August 2021, reports of redundancies in the three months prior to interview decreased by 0.2 per thousand on the quarter to 3.6 per thousand employees (Figure 8), similar to pre-coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic levels.

Figure 8: The redundancy rate remains at pre-pandemic levels

UK redundancy rate, (people aged 16 years and over), not seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2006 and June to August 2021

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UK redundancy rate, (people aged 16 years and over), not seasonally adjusted, between June to August 2006 and June to August 2021



Source: Office for National Statistics – Labour Force Survey

9 . Employment in the UK data

[Employment, unemployment and economic inactivity](#)

Dataset A05 SA | Released 12 October 2021

Estimates of UK employment, unemployment and economic inactivity broken down into age bands.

[Full-time, part-time and temporary workers](#)

Dataset EMP01 SA | Released 12 October 2021

Estimates of UK employment including a breakdown by sex, type of employment, and full-time and part-time working.

[Actual weekly hours worked](#)

Dataset HOUR01 SA | Released 12 October 2021

Estimates for the hours that people in employment work in the UK.

[Unemployment by age and duration](#)

Dataset UNEM01 SA | Released 12 October 2021

Estimates of unemployment in the UK including a breakdown by sex, age group and the length of time people are unemployed.

[Economic inactivity by reason](#)

Dataset INAC01 SA | Released 12 October 2021

Estimates of those not in the UK labour force measured by the reasons given for economic inactivity.

[Labour Force Survey sampling variability](#)

Dataset A11 | Released 12 October 2021

Labour Force Survey (LFS) sampling variability (95% confidence intervals).

[Labour Force Survey single month estimates](#)

Dataset X01 | Released 12 October 2021

Labour Force Survey (LFS) single-month estimates of employment, unemployment and economic inactivity have been published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) since 2004. Not designated as National Statistics.

[Labour Force Survey weekly estimates](#)

Dataset X07 | Released 12 October 2021

Labour Force Survey (LFS) weekly estimates of employment, unemployment, economic inactivity and hours in the UK. All estimates are calculated from highly experimental weekly Labour Force Survey datasets.

10 . Glossary

Actual and usual hours worked

Statistics for [usual hours worked](#) measure how many hours people usually work per week. Compared with [actual hours worked](#), they are not affected by absences and so can provide a better measure of normal working patterns. For example, a person who usually works 37 hours a week but who was on holiday for a week would be recorded as working zero actual hours for that week, while usual hours would be recorded as 37 hours.

Workers temporarily absent from a job as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic would still be classed as employed; however, they would be employed working no hours. This has directly affected estimates of total actual hours worked during the pandemic. Since the average actual weekly hours are the average of all in employment, those temporarily absent from a job also affected these estimates.

Economic inactivity

People not in the labour force (also known as [economically inactive](#)) are not in employment but do not meet the internationally accepted definition of unemployment because they have not been seeking work within the last four weeks and/or 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.

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.

Workers furloughed under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) or those who are self-employed but temporarily not in work, have a reasonable expectation of returning to their jobs after a temporary period of absence. Therefore, they are classified as employed under the International Labour Organization definition.

A more detailed explanation is available in our [guide to labour market statistics](#).

Redundancies

The redundancy estimates measure the number of people who were made redundant or who took voluntary redundancy in the three months before the Labour Force Survey interviews; it does not take into consideration planned redundancies.

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 (that is, those in work plus those seeking and available to work) who are unemployed.

A [more detailed glossary](#) is available.

11 . Measuring the data

This bulletin relies on data collected from the Labour Force Survey (LFS), the largest household survey in the UK.

More quality and methodology information on strengths, limitations, appropriate uses, and how the data were created is available in the [LFS Quality and Methodology Information \(QMI\) report](#).

The [LFS performance and quality monitoring reports](#) provide data on response rates and other quality-related issues for the LFS.

Reweighting

Labour Force Survey (LFS) responses published from 15 July 2021 have been reweighted to new populations using growth rates from HM Revenue and Customs' (HMRC's) Real Time Information (RTI), to allow for different trends during the coronavirus pandemic. Our [Impact of reweighting on Labour Force Survey key indicators, UK: 2020](#) article explains the reweighting methodology, which gives improved estimates of both rates and levels.

When the recent [weighting methodology for the Labour Force Survey \(LFS\)](#) was applied, there was a small error in the implementation. When calculating three-month averages for the PAYE real-time information (RTI) the months used were the previous three-month average. For example, for the October to December period, the RTI data used was that for September to November. This led to a slight overestimation of the non-UK population by approximately 0.5%. This represents less than half the size of the sampling variability. The size is roughly the same over the quarters of 2020 and the impact on January to December 2020 APS estimates is about 14,000 for EU born, 25,000 for non-EU born and 39,000 for non-UK born. The impact on LFS economic activity estimates at national level is mostly below 0.1% and the impact on rates is less than 0.02 percentage points.

Coronavirus

View [more information on how labour market data sources are affected by the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) pandemic](#), published on 6 May 2020.

View a [comparison of our labour market data sources and the main differences](#).

Consultation on the Code of Practice for Statistics - proposed change to 9:30am release practice

On behalf of the UK Statistics Authority, the Office for Statistics Regulation (OSR) is conducting a [consultation on the Code of Practice for Statistics, proposing changes to the 9:30am release practice](#). Please send comments by 21 December 2021 to: regulation@statistics.gov.uk

12 . Strengths and limitations

Uncertainty in these data

The estimates presented in this bulletin contain [uncertainty](#).

The figures in this bulletin come from the Labour Force Survey (LFS), which gathers information from a [sample](#) of households across the UK rather than from the whole population. The sample is designed to be as accurate as possible given practical limitations. Results from sample surveys are always estimates, not precise figures. This can have an impact on how changes in the estimates should be interpreted, especially for short-term comparisons.

The data in this bulletin come from the Labour Force Survey, a survey of households. It is not practical to survey every household each quarter, so these statistics are estimates based on a large sample.

As the number of people available in the sample gets smaller, the variability of the estimates that we can make from that sample size gets larger. Estimates for small groups (for example, unemployed people aged between 16 and 17 years), which are based on small subsets of the LFS sample, are less reliable and tend to be more volatile than for larger aggregated groups.

In general, changes in the numbers (and especially the rates) reported in this bulletin between three-month periods are small and are not usually greater than the level that can be explained by sampling variability. Short-term movements in reported rates should be considered alongside longer-term patterns in the series and corresponding movements in other sources to give a fuller picture.

Information on the quality of estimates is available in our [Labour Force Survey sampling variability](#) table.

Comparability

The data in this bulletin follow internationally accepted definitions specified by the [International Labour Organization \(ILO\)](#). This ensures that the estimates for the UK are comparable with those for other countries.

The annual [reconciliation report of job estimates](#) article, which compares the latest workforce jobs series estimates with the equivalent estimates of jobs from the LFS and is usually published every March, has been postponed until we are able to take the latest adjustments to the LFS into account.

Further information is available in [A guide to labour market statistics](#)

13 . Related links

[Business insights and impact on the UK economy: 23 September 2021](#)

Bulletin | Released 23 September 2021

The latest indicators and analysis from the Business Insights and Conditions Survey (BICS), a survey of employers capturing how coronavirus has affected their turnover, workforce prices, trade and business resilience.

[Working and workless households in the UK: April to June 2021](#)

Bulletin | Released 1 September 2021

Commentary on quarterly estimates of the economic status of UK households and the people living in them.

[Young people not in education, employment or training \(NEET\). UK: August 2021](#)

Bulletin | Released 26 August 2021

Quarterly bulletin examining estimates of men and women aged between 16 and 24 years in the UK who are not studying or in employment.

[Impact of reweighting on Labour Force Survey key indicators. UK: 2020](#)

Article | Released 8 July 2021

Indicative estimates of the LFS reweighting methodology on key indicators for January to March 2020 to October to December 2020.

[Changes to how we estimate the number of people in employment on zero-hours contracts](#)

Article | Released 8 February 2021

Explains the change in methodology following the move to quarterly data collection and assesses the impact of this change on published estimates of people in employment on zero hours contracts.

[Coronavirus and its impact on the Labour Force Survey](#)

Article | Released 13 October 2020

Explains the change that has been made to the Labour Force Survey weighting methodology in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the impact this has had on published estimates.

[Coronavirus and the effects on UK labour market statistics](#)

Article | Released 6 May 2020

How the global outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19) and the wider containment efforts is expected to impact upon the UK labour market, providing some of the practical challenges that the Office for National Statistics is likely to face.

[Improvements to the Labour Force Survey longitudinal dataset weighting methodology](#)

Methodology article | Released 21 January 2020

Information about the change that have been made and the impact this has on Labour Force Survey flows estimates in dataset X02, released 18 February 2020.

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

Latest data and analysis on coronavirus (COVID-19) in the UK and its effect on the economy and society. Includes recent articles on coronavirus and self-employment in the UK, coronavirus and employment for parents in the UK, and coronavirus and employment for those aged 70 years and over in the UK.

Index of Tables

The table below provides an index of the tables appearing in this Statistical Bulletin and it shows how these table numbers match up with the Excel spreadsheet datasets which are available on the website at:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/employmentandemployeetypes/bulletins/uklabourmarket/October2021/relateddata>

Table 17 (International comparisons of employment and unemployment) is temporarily suspended, the data presented is the latest data available on the ONS website however all the data can be found on the Eurostat, OECD, Statistics Canada and US Bureau of Statistics websites.

Table 18 (Labour Disputes) is also temporarily suspended as data collection has ceased for the foreseeable future. The data presented is the latest available.

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5	Workforce jobs summary	Dataset JOBS01
6 (**)	Workforce jobs by industry	Dataset JOBS02
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7(1)	Usual weekly hours worked	Dataset HOUR02 SA
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8(1)	Unemployment and economic inactivity by country of birth and nationality	Dataset A12
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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.

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	LF20	MGRZ	LF24	MGSC	MGSX	LF2M	LF2S
People								
Jun-Aug 2019	53,321	41,339	32,693	75.9	1,314	3.9	8,676	21.0
Jun-Aug 2020	53,503	41,357	32,465	75.4	1,543	4.5	8,665	21.0
Sep-Nov 2020	53,511	41,328	32,304	74.9	1,739	5.1	8,648	20.9
Dec-Feb 2021	53,529	41,308	32,155	74.7	1,705	5.0	8,769	21.2
Mar-May 2021	53,557	41,295	32,180	74.8	1,637	4.8	8,806	21.3
Jun-Aug 2021	53,574	41,285	32,416	75.3	1,510	4.5	8,715	21.1
Change on quarter	17	-10	235	0.5	-126	-0.4	-91	-0.2
Change %	0.0	0.0	0.7		-7.7		-1.0	
Change on year	71	-72	-49	-0.1	-33	-0.1	50	0.2
Change %	0.1	-0.2	-0.2		-2.2		0.6	
Men	MGSM	YBTG	MGSA	MGSV	MGSD	MGSY	YBSO	YBTM
Jun-Aug 2019	26,107	20,567	17,256	80.2	727	4.0	3,366	16.4
Jun-Aug 2020	26,211	20,584	16,995	79.0	879	4.9	3,466	16.8
Sep-Nov 2020	26,219	20,572	16,863	78.2	966	5.4	3,540	17.2
Dec-Feb 2021	26,231	20,564	16,746	77.8	933	5.3	3,657	17.8
Mar-May 2021	26,248	20,559	16,811	78.1	864	4.9	3,661	17.8
Jun-Aug 2021	26,259	20,556	16,951	78.6	821	4.6	3,605	17.5
Change on quarter	11	-4	140	0.5	-43	-0.3	-57	-0.3
Change %	0.0	0.0	0.8		-5.0		-1.5	
Change on year	48	-29	-44	-0.4	-57	-0.3	139	0.7
Change %	0.2	-0.1	-0.3		-6.5		4.0	
Women	MGSN	LF2P	MGSB	LF25	MGSE	MGSZ	LF2N	LF2T
Jun-Aug 2019	27,215	20,772	15,437	71.6	586	3.7	5,310	25.6
Jun-Aug 2020	27,292	20,772	15,470	71.8	665	4.1	5,199	25.0
Sep-Nov 2020	27,292	20,756	15,441	71.7	773	4.8	5,108	24.6
Dec-Feb 2021	27,298	20,744	15,409	71.7	772	4.8	5,112	24.6
Mar-May 2021	27,308	20,735	15,369	71.6	772	4.8	5,145	24.8
Jun-Aug 2021	27,315	20,729	15,464	72.1	689	4.3	5,111	24.7
Change on quarter	6	-6	95	0.5	-83	-0.5	-35	-0.2
Change %	0.0	0.0	0.6		-10.8		-0.7	
Change on year	23	-43	-6	0.2	24	0.1	-89	-0.4
Change %	0.1	-0.2	0.0		3.6		-1.7	

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

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

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

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

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

Note on headline employment, unemployment and inactivity rates

The headline employment and inactivity rates are based on the population aged 16 to 64 but the headline unemployment rate is based on the economically active population aged 16 and over. The employment and inactivity rates for those aged 16 and over are affected by the However, for the inclusion of the retired population in the denominators and are therefore less meaningful than the rates for those aged from 16 to 64. 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
Jun-Aug 2019	32,693	61.3	1,314	3.9	19,315	36.2	31,365	75.9	1,297	4.0	8,676	21.0
Jun-Aug 2020	32,465	60.7	1,543	4.5	19,494	36.4	31,171	75.4	1,521	4.7	8,665	21.0
Sep-Nov 2020	32,304	60.4	1,739	5.1	19,468	36.4	30,975	74.9	1,706	5.2	8,648	20.9
Dec-Feb 2021	32,155	60.1	1,705	5.0	19,668	36.7	30,865	74.7	1,674	5.1	8,769	21.2
Mar-May 2021	32,180	60.1	1,637	4.8	19,740	36.9	30,891	74.8	1,598	4.9	8,806	21.3
Jun-Aug 2021	32,416	60.5	1,510	4.5	19,648	36.7	31,089	75.3	1,480	4.5	8,715	21.1
Change on quarter	235	0.4	-126	-0.4	-92	-0.2	199	0.5	-118	-0.4	-91	-0.2
Change %	0.7		-7.7		-0.5		0.6		-7.4		-1.0	
Change on year	-49	-0.2	-33	-0.1	154	0.2	-82	-0.1	-41	-0.1	50	0.2
Change %	-0.2		-2.2		0.8		-0.3		-2.7		0.6	
Men	MGSA	MGSS	MGSD	MGSY	MGSJ	YBTD	YBSF	MGSV	YBSI	YBTJ	YBSO	YBTM
Jun-Aug 2019	17,256	66.1	727	4.0	8,123	31.1	16,485	80.2	716	4.2	3,366	16.4
Jun-Aug 2020	16,995	64.8	879	4.9	8,337	31.8	16,253	79.0	865	5.1	3,466	16.8
Sep-Nov 2020	16,863	64.3	966	5.4	8,390	32.0	16,090	78.2	942	5.5	3,540	17.2
Dec-Feb 2021	16,746	63.8	933	5.3	8,552	32.6	15,995	77.8	912	5.4	3,657	17.8
Mar-May 2021	16,811	64.0	864	4.9	8,573	32.7	16,052	78.1	846	5.0	3,661	17.8
Jun-Aug 2021	16,951	64.6	821	4.6	8,486	32.3	16,152	78.6	799	4.7	3,605	17.5
Change on quarter	140	0.5	-43	-0.3	-86	-0.3	100	0.5	-47	-0.3	-57	-0.3
Change %	0.8		-5.0		-1.0		0.6		-5.6		-1.5	
Change on year	-44	-0.3	-57	-0.3	149	0.5	-101	-0.4	-66	-0.3	139	0.7
Change %	-0.3		-6.5		1.8		-0.6		-7.6		4.0	
Women	MGSA	MGSS	MGSD	MGSY	MGSJ	YBTD	YBSF	LF25	LF2J	LF2R	LF2N	LF2T
Jun-Aug 2019	15,437	56.7	586	3.7	11,192	41.1	14,881	71.6	581	3.8	5,310	25.6
Jun-Aug 2020	15,470	56.7	665	4.1	11,157	40.9	14,918	71.8	656	4.2	5,199	25.0
Sep-Nov 2020	15,441	56.6	773	4.8	11,078	40.6	14,884	71.7	764	4.9	5,108	24.6
Dec-Feb 2021	15,409	56.4	772	4.8	11,117	40.7	14,871	71.7	761	4.9	5,112	24.6
Mar-May 2021	15,369	56.3	772	4.8	11,167	40.9	14,839	71.6	751	4.8	5,145	24.8
Jun-Aug 2021	15,464	56.6	689	4.3	11,161	40.9	14,938	72.1	681	4.4	5,111	24.7
Change on quarter	95	0.3	-83	-0.5	-6	0.0	99	0.5	-70	-0.5	-35	-0.2
Change %	0.6		-10.8		-0.1		0.7		-9.4		-0.7	
Change on year	-6	-0.1	24	0.1	5	0.0	20	0.2	25	0.1	-89	-0.4
Change %	0.0		3.6		0.0		0.1		3.9		-1.7	
	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	YCA5	LWEX	YBTR	YBUD	YBVN	YBVQ	YCAV	LWFA
Jun-Aug 2019	338	24.2	86	20.3	971	69.7	3,366	61.1	408	10.8	1,734	31.5
Jun-Aug 2020	282	19.7	91	24.4	1,056	73.9	3,226	59.5	493	13.3	1,700	31.4
Sep-Nov 2020	244	17.0	81	24.8	1,113	77.4	3,266	60.6	510	13.5	1,618	30.0
Dec-Feb 2021	205	14.2	97	32.0	1,143	79.1	3,195	59.5	484	13.1	1,692	31.5
Mar-May 2021	201	13.9	111	35.5	1,142	78.5	3,256	60.9	428	11.6	1,664	31.1
Jun-Aug 2021	309	21.1	104	25.1	1,047	71.8	3,271	61.4	395	10.8	1,666	31.2
Change on quarter	107	7.3	-7	-10.3	-95	-6.8	16	0.5	-33	-0.9	2	0.1
Change %	53.2		-6.4		-8.3		0.5		-7.8		0.1	
Change on year	27	1.4	13	0.8	-9	-2.2	46	1.8	-98	-2.5	-34	-0.1
Change %	9.5		14.1		-0.9		1.4		-19.9		-2.0	
Men	YBTP	YBUB	YBVI	YBVL	YCAT	LWEY	YBTS	YBUE	YBVO	YBVR	YCAW	LWFB
Jun-Aug 2019	156	21.9	50	24.2	508	71.1	1,736	61.7	246	12.4	831	29.5
Jun-Aug 2020	132	18.1	45	25.3	555	75.8	1,647	59.5	311	15.9	808	29.2
Sep-Nov 2020	113	15.3	44	28.2	579	78.7	1,639	59.5	301	15.5	813	29.5
Dec-Feb 2021	92	12.4	44	32.5	604	81.7	1,594	58.2	286	15.2	861	31.4
Mar-May 2021	90	12.0	50	35.6	605	81.3	1,640	60.1	239	12.7	850	31.1
Jun-Aug 2021	138	18.5	51	27.0	557	74.6	1,662	61.1	227	12.0	831	30.6
Change on quarter	49	6.5	2	-8.6	-48	-6.7	21	1.0	-11	-0.7	-18	-0.6
Change %	54.5		3.3		-7.9		1.3		-4.7		-2.2	
Change on year	6	0.5	6	1.7	3	-1.2	15	1.6	-84	-3.9	23	1.3
Change %	4.7		14.2		0.5		0.9		-26.9		2.8	
Women	YBTO	YBUC	YBVJ	YBVM	YCAU	LWEZ	YBTT	YBUF	YBVP	YBVS	YCAH	LWFC
Jun-Aug 2019	181	26.6	36	16.5	463	68.1	1,630	60.5	162	9.1	903	33.5
Jun-Aug 2020	150	21.5	46	23.5	502	71.9	1,579	59.5	182	10.3	892	33.6
Sep-Nov 2020	131	18.7	36	21.7	534	76.1	1,627	61.6	208	11.4	805	30.5
Dec-Feb 2021	114	16.1	53	31.6	539	76.4	1,601	60.9	198	11.0	831	31.6
Mar-May 2021	112	15.8	61	35.4	537	75.6	1,615	61.7	189	10.5	814	31.1
Jun-Aug 2021	170	23.9	52	23.5	490	68.7	1,610	61.6	167	9.4	835	32.0
Change on quarter	58	8.1	-9	-11.8	-47	-6.9	-6	0.0	-22	-1.1	21	0.9
Change %	52.2		-14.3		-8.7		-0.4		-11.6		2.5	
Change on year	21	2.4	6	0.0	-12	-3.2	31	2.1	-14	-0.9	-57	-1.7
Change %	13.7		14.0		-2.4		2.0		-7.9		-6.4	

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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	YCAY	LWFD	YBTX	YBUJ	YCGS	YCGV	YCBB	LWFG
Jun-Aug 2019	7,550	84.2	272	3.5	1,140	12.7	10,866	85.4	276	2.5	1,584	12.4
Jun-Aug 2020	7,589	85.0	315	4.0	1,028	11.5	10,782	84.9	308	2.8	1,604	12.6
Sep-Nov 2020	7,552	84.7	334	4.2	1,031	11.6	10,713	84.5	401	3.6	1,557	12.3
Dec-Feb 2021	7,573	85.0	301	3.8	1,031	11.6	10,733	84.8	398	3.6	1,522	12.0
Mar-May 2021	7,498	84.3	321	4.1	1,075	12.1	10,744	85.0	383	3.4	1,508	11.9
Jun-Aug 2021	7,469	84.1	317	4.1	1,100	12.4	10,801	85.6	350	3.1	1,474	11.7
Change on quarter	-29	-0.3	-4	0.0	25	0.3	56	0.5	-34	-0.3	-34	-0.3
Change %	-0.4		-1.2		2.3		0.5		-8.8		-2.3	
Change on year	-120	-0.9	2	0.1	72	0.9	19	0.6	42	0.4	-130	-1.0
Change %	-1.6		0.6		7.0		0.2		13.6		-8.1	
Men	YBTV	YBUH	YCGN	YCGQ	YCAZ	LWFE	YBTY	YBUK	YCGT	YCGW	YCBC	LWFH
Jun-Aug 2019	4,050	90.0	144	3.4	308	6.8	5,750	91.5	128	2.2	407	6.5
Jun-Aug 2020	4,005	89.0	166	4.0	327	7.3	5,649	90.1	152	2.6	471	7.5
Sep-Nov 2020	3,968	88.3	167	4.0	358	8.0	5,611	89.6	194	3.3	457	7.3
Dec-Feb 2021	3,955	88.1	158	3.8	377	8.4	5,619	89.9	193	3.3	442	7.1
Mar-May 2021	3,943	87.9	172	4.2	372	8.3	5,634	90.2	182	3.1	431	6.9
Jun-Aug 2021	3,934	87.7	176	4.3	375	8.4	5,642	90.4	172	3.0	428	6.9
Change on quarter	-9	-0.2	3	0.1	4	0.1	8	0.2	-10	-0.2	-3	0.0
Change %	-0.2		1.9		1.0		0.1		-5.3		-0.7	
Change on year	-71	-1.3	10	0.3	48	1.1	-7	0.3	20	0.3	-43	-0.6
Change %	-1.8		6.0		14.7		-0.1		12.9		-9.0	
Women	YBTV	YBUH	YCGN	YCGQ	YCAZ	LWFE	YBTY	YBUL	YCGU	YCGX	YCBD	LWFI
Jun-Aug 2019	3,499	78.5	128	3.5	832	18.7	5,116	79.4	148	2.8	1,177	18.3
Jun-Aug 2020	3,584	80.8	149	4.0	701	15.8	5,133	79.9	156	2.9	1,133	17.6
Sep-Nov 2020	3,584	81.0	167	4.4	673	15.2	5,102	79.6	207	3.9	1,100	17.2
Dec-Feb 2021	3,618	82.0	143	3.8	654	14.8	5,113	79.9	205	3.9	1,080	16.9
Mar-May 2021	3,555	80.7	148	4.0	703	16.0	5,110	80.0	202	3.8	1,077	16.9
Jun-Aug 2021	3,535	80.3	141	3.8	724	16.5	5,159	80.8	178	3.3	1,046	16.4
Change on quarter	-20	-0.3	-7	-0.2	21	0.5	49	0.8	-24	-0.5	-31	-0.5
Change %	-0.6		-4.8		3.0		1.0		-11.9		-2.9	
Change on year	-49	-0.5	-8	-0.2	23	0.7	26	0.9	22	0.4	-87	-1.3
Change %	-1.4		-5.3		3.3		0.5		14.2		-7.7	
	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
Jun-Aug 2019	9,246	72.5	255	2.7	3,247	25.5	1,327	11.1	16	1.2	10,639	88.8
Jun-Aug 2020	9,293	72.1	315	3.3	3,277	25.4	1,294	10.7	22	1.7	10,829	89.2
Sep-Nov 2020	9,200	71.3	380	4.0	3,328	25.8	1,329	10.9	33	2.4	10,820	88.8
Dec-Feb 2021	9,160	70.8	395	4.1	3,381	26.1	1,290	10.6	31	2.4	10,900	89.2
Mar-May 2021	9,191	70.9	355	3.7	3,419	26.4	1,290	10.5	39	2.9	10,933	89.2
Jun-Aug 2021	9,239	71.2	316	3.3	3,429	26.4	1,326	10.8	30	2.2	10,932	89.0
Change on quarter	48	0.3	-39	-0.4	10	0.0	36	0.3	-9	-0.7	-1	-0.2
Change %	0.5		-11.1		0.3		2.8		-22.9		0.0	
Change on year	-53	-1.0	1	0.0	152	1.0	32	0.1	8	0.5	103	-0.2
Change %	-0.6		0.3		4.6		2.5		34.1		1.0	
Men	MGUX	YBUN	MGVM	MGXF	MGWB	LWFK	MGVA	YBUQ	MGVP	MGXI	MGWE	LWFN
Jun-Aug 2019	4,792	76.6	148	3.0	1,312	21.0	771	13.9	11	1.4	4,757	85.9
Jun-Aug 2020	4,820	76.3	191	3.8	1,305	20.7	742	13.2	13	1.7	4,872	86.6
Sep-Nov 2020	4,760	75.2	235	4.7	1,332	21.1	772	13.7	24	3.0	4,850	85.9
Dec-Feb 2021	4,734	74.7	232	4.7	1,373	21.7	752	13.3	21	2.7	4,895	86.4
Mar-May 2021	4,744	74.7	204	4.1	1,404	22.1	760	13.4	18	2.3	4,911	86.3
Jun-Aug 2021	4,775	75.1	173	3.5	1,412	22.2	799	14.0	22	2.7	4,882	85.6
Change on quarter	31	0.4	-31	-0.6	9	0.1	40	0.7	4	0.4	-30	-0.7
Change %	0.7		-15.2		0.6		5.2		22.7		-0.6	
Change on year	-45	-1.2	-18	-0.3	108	1.5	58	0.8	9	0.9	10	-1.0
Change %	-0.9		-9.5		8.3		7.8		66.8		0.2	
Women	LF27	LF2V	LF29	LF2F	LF2B	LF2X	LFK5	LFK7	K5HV	K5HX	LFL5	LFL7
Jun-Aug 2019	4,454	68.6	106	2.3	1,935	29.8	556	8.6	5	1.0	5,882	91.3
Jun-Aug 2020	4,473	68.1	123	2.7	1,972	30.0	552	8.5	9	1.6	5,958	91.4
Sep-Nov 2020	4,440	67.5	145	3.2	1,996	30.3	557	8.5	9	1.6	5,970	91.3
Dec-Feb 2021	4,425	67.1	163	3.6	2,008	30.4	538	8.2	11	1.9	6,005	91.6
Mar-May 2021	4,447	67.2	151	3.3	2,015	30.5	530	8.1	21	3.8	6,022	91.6
Jun-Aug 2021	4,464	67.4	143	3.1	2,016	30.4	527	8.0	8	1.5	6,051	91.9
Change on quarter	17	0.2	-8	-0.2	2	0.0	-3	-0.1	-13	-2.3	29	0.3
Change %	0.4		-5.6		0.1		-0.6		-61.6		0.5	
Change on year	-9	-0.7	19	0.4	44	0.4	-26	-0.5	-1	-0.1	93	0.5
Change %	-0.2		15.5		2.3		-4.6		-12.4		1.6	

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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

	All in employment					Full-time and part-time workers ¹							
	Total	Employees	Self-employed	Unpaid family workers	Government supported training & employment programmes ²	Total people working full-time	Total people working part-time	Employees working full-time	Employees working part-time	Self-employed people working full-time	Self-employed people working part-time	Total Workers with second jobs	
People	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Jun-Aug 2019	32,693	27,577	4,930	129	57	24,160	8,533	20,611	6,965	3,497	1,433	1,147	
Jun-Aug 2020	32,465	27,790	4,538	96	41	24,273	8,192	21,054	6,737	3,166	1,371	1,074	
Sep-Nov 2020	32,304	27,744	4,430	89	41	24,326	7,978	21,208	6,536	3,064	1,366	1,101	
Dec-Feb 2021	32,155	27,776	4,252	98	29	24,359	7,796	21,359	6,418	2,950	1,302	1,112	
Mar-May 2021	32,180	27,794	4,276	83	27	24,462	7,718	21,416	6,378	3,006	1,271	1,167	
Jun-Aug 2021	32,416	28,012	4,266	90	48	24,440	7,976	21,452	6,559	2,943	1,324	1,169	
Change on quarter	235	218	-10	7	21	-22	258	36	182	-63	53	2	
Change %	0.7	0.8	-0.2	8.1	75.8	-0.1	3.3	0.2	2.8	-2.1	4.2	0.2	
Change on year	-49	221	-271	-6	7	167	-216	399	-178	-224	-47	95	
Change %	-0.2	0.8	-6.0	-6.5	17.1	0.7	-2.6	1.9	-2.6	-7.1	-3.4	8.9	
Men	MGSA	MGRO	MGRR	MGRU	MGRX	YCBF	YCBJ	YCBK	YCBN	YCBQ	YCBT	YCBX	
Jun-Aug 2019	17,256	13,867	3,297	58	34	15,023	2,233	12,281	1,585	2,711	585	485	
Jun-Aug 2020	16,995	13,985	2,939	46	25	14,835	2,160	12,426	1,559	2,375	564	468	
Sep-Nov 2020	16,863	13,938	2,858	38	29	14,764	2,099	12,444	1,495	2,289	569	458	
Dec-Feb 2021	16,746	13,952	2,727	55	12	14,658	2,088	12,449	1,503	2,183	544	461	
Mar-May 2021	16,811	14,019	2,743	38	12	14,766	2,046	12,515	1,504	2,229	513	492	
Jun-Aug 2021	16,951	14,127	2,758	41	26	14,755	2,197	12,504	1,623	2,225	534	479	
Change on quarter	140	107	16	3	14	-11	151	-12	119	-5	20	-13	
Change %	0.8	0.8	0.6	8.3	123.4	-0.1	7.4	-0.1	7.9	-0.2	3.9	-2.6	
Change on year	-44	141	-181	-5	1	-80	37	78	64	-151	-30	10	
Change %	-0.3	1.0	-6.1	-11.2	3.9	-0.5	1.7	0.6	4.1	-6.3	-5.3	2.2	
Women	MGSB	MGRP	MGRS	MGRV	MGRY	YCBG	YCBH	YCBM	YCBP	YCBS	YCBV	YCBY	
Jun-Aug 2019	15,437	13,710	1,633	70	23	9,138	6,299	8,330	5,380	786	848	662	
Jun-Aug 2020	15,470	13,805	1,599	50	16	9,438	6,032	8,628	5,177	791	808	605	
Sep-Nov 2020	15,441	13,806	1,572	51	13	9,562	5,879	8,764	5,042	775	797	642	
Dec-Feb 2021	15,409	13,824	1,525	43	17	9,701	5,708	8,910	4,915	768	758	651	
Mar-May 2021	15,369	13,774	1,534	45	16	9,697	5,672	8,901	4,873	776	757	675	
Jun-Aug 2021	15,464	13,885	1,508	49	22	9,686	5,779	8,949	4,936	718	790	690	
Change on quarter	95	111	-25	4	6	-11	107	48	63	-58	33	15	
Change %	0.6	0.8	-1.7	7.9	41.1	-0.1	1.9	0.5	1.3	-7.5	4.4	2.3	
Change on year	-6	80	-90	-1	6	247	-253	321	-241	-73	-17	85	
Change %	0.0	0.6	-5.7	-2.3	37.3	2.6	-4.2	3.7	-4.7	-9.3	-2.1	14.1	
Temporary employees (reasons for temporary working) ³													
	Part-time workers (reasons for working part-time) ³												
	Total	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	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
Jun-Aug 2019	1,398	5.1	335	24.0	366	135	562	8,399	869	10.3	6,108	276	1,085
Jun-Aug 2020	1,483	5.3	388	26.2	366	111	618	8,108	908	11.2	5,782	282	1,037
Sep-Nov 2020	1,539	5.5	452	29.4	362	118	606	7,902	1,008	12.8	5,588	278	951
Dec-Feb 2021	1,558	5.6	479	30.7	351	123	605	7,719	1,018	13.2	5,458	275	881
Mar-May 2021	1,574	5.7	531	33.8	358	108	576	7,648	1,006	13.1	5,415	253	908
Jun-Aug 2021	1,675	6.0	506	30.2	419	128	621	7,883	1,002	12.7	5,539	259	1,040
Change on quarter	102	0.3	-25	-3.5	60	20	46	235	-3	-0.4	124	6	132
Change %	6.5		-4.7		16.8	18.7	7.9	3.1	-0.3		2.3	2.4	14.5
Change on year	192	0.6	118	4.0	53	17	3	-225	94	1.5	-243	-23	3
Change %	13.0		30.4		14.6	15.7	0.6	-2.8	10.4		-4.2	-8.1	0.3
Men	YCCA	YCCG			YCCM	YCCP	YCCS	YCCV	YCCY	YCDB	YCDE	YCDH	YCDK
Jun-Aug 2019	638	4.6	167	26.2	149	64	258	2,171	375	17.3	1,262	91	423
Jun-Aug 2020	678	4.9	199	29.3	148	50	282	2,123	386	18.2	1,151	111	426
Sep-Nov 2020	711	5.1	239	33.6	144	53	276	2,064	431	20.9	1,125	100	374
Dec-Feb 2021	718	5.1	238	33.2	156	56	267	2,047	461	22.5	1,113	94	347
Mar-May 2021	743	5.3	266	35.8	161	55	262	2,018	428	21.2	1,137	85	340
Jun-Aug 2021	734	5.2	220	29.9	182	65	268	2,157	416	19.3	1,197	92	434
Change on quarter	-9	-0.1	-47	-5.9	22	10	6	139	-12	-1.9	60	7	94
Change %	-1.2		-17.6		13.6	18.5	2.2	6.9	-2.8		5.3	8.3	27.7
Change on year	56	0.3	21	0.6	34	15	-14	34	29	1.1	46	-19	8
Change %	8.2		10.5		23.2	29.7	-5.0	1.6	7.5		4.0	-17.1	1.8
Women	YCCB	YCEE	YCCH	YCCJ	YCCN	YCCQ	YCCR	YCCW	YCCZ	YCDC	YCDF	YCDI	YCDL
Jun-Aug 2019	760	5.5	168	22.1	217	71	304	6,228	494	7.9	4,846	186	663
Jun-Aug 2020	804	5.8	190	23.6	217	61	336	5,985	522	8.7	4,630	171	611
Sep-Nov 2020	828	6.0	213	25.8	218	66	330	5,839	577	9.9	4,463	177	577
Dec-Feb 2021	840	6.1	240	28.6	195	67	338	5,672	557	9.8	4,346	181	535
Mar-May 2021	830	6.0	265	31.9	198	54	314	5,630	578	10.3	4,278	168	568
Jun-Aug 2021	941	6.8	287	30.5	236	64	354	5,727	587	10.2	4,341	167	606
Change on quarter	111	0.7	22	-1.4	39	10	40	96	9	0.0	63	-1	38
Change %	13.3		8.3		19.5	18.8	12.7	1.7	1.5		1.5	-0.6	6.6
Change on year	137	0.9	97	6.9	19	3	18	-258	65	1.5	-289	-4	-5
Change %	17.0		51.3		8.7	4.3	5.2	-4.3	12.4		-6.2	-2.2	-0.8

Source: Labour Force Survey
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EMPLOYMENT AND JOBS

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) ¹²	All workers ¹	Full-time workers ³	Part-time workers ³	Second Jobs
People	YBUS	YBUV	YBUY	YBVB	YBVE
Jun-Aug 2019	1,049.2	32.1	37.3	16.3	10.1
Jun-Aug 2020	884.1	27.2	32.1	12.9	9.3
Sep-Nov 2020	973.4	30.1	34.7	14.7	9.8
Dec-Feb 2021	958.2	29.8	34.2	14.3	9.8
Mar-May 2021	981.4	30.5	35.0	14.9	10.1
Jun-Aug 2021	1,021.3	31.5	36.1	16.2	9.7
<i>Change on quarter</i>	39.9	1.0	1.2	1.3	-0.5
<i>Change %</i>	4.1	3.3	3.3	8.4	-4.6
<i>Change on year</i>	137.2	4.3	4.0	3.3	0.4
<i>Change %</i>	15.5	15.7	12.6	25.5	3.9
Men	YBUT	YBUW	YBUZ	YBVC	YBVF
Jun-Aug 2019	626.5	36.3	39.0	16.3	10.7
Jun-Aug 2020	527.0	31.0	33.7	12.9	10.4
Sep-Nov 2020	569.0	33.7	36.2	14.4	10.5
Dec-Feb 2021	556.8	33.3	35.6	13.4	10.2
Mar-May 2021	574.7	34.2	36.5	14.8	10.8
Jun-Aug 2021	594.9	35.1	37.6	15.8	10.1
<i>Change on quarter</i>	20.2	0.9	1.1	1.0	-0.7
<i>Change %</i>	3.5	2.7	3.1	6.4	-6.2
<i>Change on year</i>	67.9	4.1	3.9	2.8	-0.2
<i>Change %</i>	12.9	13.2	11.5	22.1	-2.4
Women	YBUU	YBUX	YBVA	YBVD	YBVG
Jun-Aug 2019	422.7	27.4	34.5	16.3	9.6
Jun-Aug 2020	357.1	23.1	29.5	12.9	8.5
Sep-Nov 2020	404.4	26.2	32.5	14.8	9.3
Dec-Feb 2021	401.4	26.0	32.2	14.6	9.5
Mar-May 2021	406.7	26.5	32.7	15.0	9.7
Jun-Aug 2021	426.4	27.6	33.9	16.3	9.4
<i>Change on quarter</i>	19.7	1.1	1.2	1.4	-0.3
<i>Change %</i>	4.8	4.2	3.7	9.2	-3.1
<i>Change on year</i>	69.3	4.5	4.4	3.5	0.9
<i>Change %</i>	19.4	19.4	14.8	26.9	10.1

1 Main and second job

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

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

Source: Labour Force Survey

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

7 (1) Usual weekly hours of work¹

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	All in Employment (%)			Employees (%)			Self-Employed (%)		
	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women	People	Men	Women
Jun-Aug 2020									
Less than 6 Hours	1.2	0.8	1.8	0.9	0.5	1.2	3.1	1.4	6.2
6 up to 15 hours	6.1	3.3	9.2	5.6	2.9	8.3	9.0	4.8	16.8
16 up to 30 hours	19.3	10.2	29.3	18.5	8.4	28.7	24.2	18.6	34.6
31 up to 45 hours	56.8	63.3	49.6	59.5	66.8	52.2	39.9	46.8	27.4
Over 45 hours	16.6	22.5	10.1	15.5	21.4	9.6	23.7	28.4	15.1
Total (thousands)	32,465	16,995	15,470	27,790	13,985	13,805	4,538	2,939	1,599
Mar-May 2021									
Less than 6 Hours	1.1	0.8	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.1	2.9	1.7	5.0
6 up to 15 hours	5.7	3.2	8.6	5.1	2.6	7.7	9.2	5.4	15.9
16 up to 30 hours	18.8	10.0	28.4	18.0	8.5	27.6	24.2	17.5	36.2
31 up to 45 hours	57.8	63.9	51.2	60.5	67.1	53.7	41.2	47.7	29.7
Over 45 hours	16.5	22.2	10.2	15.6	21.2	9.9	22.5	27.7	13.2
Total (thousands)	32,180	16,811	15,369	27,794	14,019	13,774	4,276	2,743	1,534
Jun-Aug 2021									
Less than 6 Hours	1.2	0.8	1.5	0.8	0.5	1.1	3.1	1.9	5.2
6 up to 15 hours	6.0	3.3	8.9	5.3	2.9	7.8	9.5	5.0	17.8
16 up to 30 hours	18.8	10.2	28.3	18.0	8.7	27.5	24.4	17.7	36.7
31 up to 45 hours	57.6	63.8	50.9	60.2	66.9	53.5	40.9	48.0	27.9
Over 45 hours	16.4	21.9	10.4	15.7	21.0	10.2	22.0	27.2	12.5
Total (thousands)	32,416	16,951	15,464	28,012	14,127	13,885	4,266	2,758	1,508

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

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

NON-UK WORKERS

8(1) Employment levels and rates by country of birth and nationality

United Kingdom (thousands of people aged 16 and over) not seasonally adjusted																							
Europe										Africa			Asia			America and Oceania							
European Union (EU)																							
Total ¹	UK	Non UK	Total Europe	Total EU (EU27) ²	EU14 ³	EU8 ⁴	EU2 ⁵	Other EU ⁶	Other Europe (not in EU)	Total Africa	Of which: South Africa	Total Asia	Of which: India	Of which: Pakistan and Bangladesh	Total America and Oceania	Of which: USA	Of which: Australia and New Zealand	Total Non-EU ⁷					
Levels (aged 16 and over)																							
Country of birth levels																							
MTM1	JF6F	JF6G	FSC2	EQ4Q	JR3	JR5	EQ4R	FSC3	FSC4	FSC5	JJ3	FSC6	JJ59	JJ59	FSC7	JR7	JJ55	EQ4S					
Apr-Jun 2019	32,752	26,967	5,777	2,692	2,438	1,019	971	407	41	254	923	198	1,504	475	387	658	105	167	3,339				
Apr-Jun 2020	32,547	26,587	5,944	2,682	2,380	1,061	890	386	43	302	957	171	1,608	556	380	697	102	165	3,564				
Jul-Sep 2020	32,351	26,543	5,792	2,470	2,169	1,018	812	304	36	301	1,045	184	1,563	514	322	715	115	165	3,623				
Oct-Dec 2020	32,187	26,409	5,771	2,434	2,202	1,061	799	299	44	232	997	194	1,553	515	323	748	133	181	3,569				
Jan-Mar 2021	32,181	26,120	6,057	2,590	2,303	1,159	806	297	40	288	1,022	205	1,679	557	369	766	135	146	3,754				
Apr-Jun 2021	32,229	26,257	5,965	2,611	2,342	1,124	864	314	40	269	983	193	1,681	553	381	690	136	157	3,623				
Change on year	-319	-329	21	-71	-38	63	-26	-72	-2	-33	26	22	73	-3	2	-7	34	-8	59				
Change %	-1.0	-1.2	0.3	-2.7	-1.6	5.9	-2.9	-18.7	-5.5	-11.0	2.7	12.6	4.6	-0.5	0.4	-1.0	33.4	-5.1	1.6				
Country of birth rates																							
LF9D	LFM6	LFM7	FSD5	EQ4Y	LFM8	LFM9	EQ4Z	FSD6	FSD7	FSD8	LFN4	FSD9	LFN6	LFN7	FSE2	LFN2	LFN6	EQ5Z					
Apr-Jun 2019	76.0	76.3	74.6	82.2	83.1	80.2	85.2	86.2	78.3	74.4	73.2	87.4	63.4	75.5	59.0	78.6	73.9	87.7	69.3				
Jul-Sep 2020	75.6	75.6	75.7	80.7	81.5	80.1	82.7	83.0	77.4	74.9	74.0	82.5	67.8	78.0	60.1	80.6	81.1	83.7	72.2				
Oct-Dec 2020	75.0	75.1	75.0	79.9	81.1	80.8	80.0	86.3	70.5	72.5	71.2	81.6	69.5	76.2	57.9	77.9	82.5	76.3	71.8				
Jan-Mar 2021	74.8	74.9	74.3	78.6	79.2	78.2	78.7	85.8	71.3	72.8	70.0	79.3	69.3	77.4	60.3	78.3	76.7	81.2	71.5				
Apr-Jun 2021	74.7	74.8	74.7	78.6	79.5	78.7	78.9	83.9	82.0	71.9	72.7	78.7	68.7	76.5	60.0	79.3	81.4	82.7	72.0				
Apr-Jun 2021	74.9	75.0	75.1	80.1	81.3	79.0	82.1	87.9	80.4	71.4	73.2	83.8	68.2	79.4	58.9	78.5	77.0	82.7	71.5				
Change on year	-0.6	-0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-0.2	-1.1	-0.7	4.9	3.0	-3.5	-0.8	1.4	0.4	1.4	-1.2	-2.1	-4.1	-1.0	-0.7				
Nationality levels																							
MGTM	JF6H	JF6I	FSC8	EQ4U	JR4	JR6	EQ4V	FSC9	FSC6	FSD2	JJ54	FSD3	JJ58	JJT2	FSD4	JR8	JJ56	EQ4W					
Apr-Jun 2019	32,752	29,084	3,661	2,490	2,368	1,019	952	375	22	122	289	63	567	187	121	314	78	95	1,202				
Jul-Sep 2020	32,547	28,844	3,685	2,380	2,270	1,038	852	362	17	110	325	68	632	241	138	347	82	110	1,415				
Oct-Dec 2020	32,351	28,817	3,533	2,183	2,071	983	790	280	18	112	374	81	604	217	114	373	92	101	1,462				
Jan-Mar 2021	32,187	28,634	3,549	2,174	2,083	1,015	788	275	25	91	352	69	584	207	99	439	114	115	1,466				
Apr-Jun 2021	32,181	28,462	3,716	2,308	2,176	1,109	775	263	30	133	339	66	632	229	117	436	127	83	1,540				
Apr-Jun 2021	32,229	28,548	3,676	2,326	2,200	1,070	823	278	30	126	338	62	618	226	123	394	123	79	1,476				
Change on year	-319	-296	-9	-54	-70	31	-29	-85	12	16	13	-5	-14	-15	-15	47	42	-31	61				
Change %	-1.0	-1.0	-0.2	-2.3	-3.1	3.0	-3.4	-23.4	70.5	14.4	4.1	-7.8	-2.3	-6.4	-11.0	13.4	51.0	-28.4	4.3				
Nationality rates																							
LF9D	LFN8	LFN9	FSE3	EQ54	LFO2	LFO3	EQ55	FSE4	FSE5	FSE6	LFO6	FSE7	LFO8	LFO9	FSE8	LFO4	LFO7	EQ56					
Apr-Jun 2019	76.0	76.1	75.0	82.5	83.3	80.8	85.0	85.9	83.7	69.5	70.7	90.2	54.3	69.3	53.8	76.8	73.1	86.3	63.4				
Jul-Sep 2020	75.6	75.6	75.8	81.0	81.7	79.9	83.8	82.3	75.1	68.3	67.0	93.1	62.9	77.2	56.7	80.6	74.4	87.8	67.9				
Oct-Dec 2020	75.0	75.0	75.9	80.5	81.4	79.7	81.9	85.2	95.4	66.9	68.0	88.3	65.5	74.1	57.2	79.4	77.9	80.0	69.3				
Jan-Mar 2021	74.8	74.8	75.1	79.0	79.9	77.8	80.4	85.8	92.6	68.3	68.0	84.6	64.3	74.4	56.7	80.3	75.2	84.9	69.2				
Apr-Jun 2021	74.7	74.7	75.3	78.6	79.3	78.1	79.7	82.1	97.0	68.5	71.2	82.9	65.3	74.7	61.3	79.3	75.3	86.2	70.3				
Apr-Jun 2021	74.9	75.0	75.3	79.8	80.6	78.0	82.4	85.4	86.9	67.9	69.8	84.6	62.9	81.2	52.5	78.4	73.9	82.5	68.5				
Change on year	-0.6	-0.6	-0.5	-1.1	-1.1	-1.9	-1.4	3.1	11.8	-0.4	2.8	-8.4	0.0	3.9	-4.2	-2.1	-0.6	-5.2	0.6				

1. The total series includes people who do not state their country of birth or nationality. The total levels series MGTM does not therefore equal the sum of the "UK" and "Non-UK" series.

2. This series consists of all 27 EU member states excluding the UK. This series equals the sum of EU14, EU8, EU2 and Other EU.

3. Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and Sweden.

4. Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Slovak Republic and Slovenia.

5. Romania and Bulgaria.

6. Cyprus, Malta and Croatia.

7. Total Non-EU equals the sum of Other Europe, Total Africa, Total Asia and Total America and Oceania.

The estimates shown in this table relate to the number of people in employment and should not be used as a proxy for flows of foreign migrants into the UK.

Source: Labour Force Survey

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NON-UK WORKERS

8(2) Unemployment and economic inactivity levels and rates by country of birth and nationality

United Kingdom (thousands of people) not seasonally adjusted

	Unemployment (all aged 16 and over)					Economically inactive (all aged from 16 to 64)									
	Total ¹	UK	Non-UK	EU27 ²	Non-EU	Total ¹		UK		Non-UK		EU27 ²		Non-EU	
						All econom- ically inactive	Of which: Students ³	All econom- ically inactive	Of which: Students ³	All econom- ically inactive	Of which: Students ³	All econom- ically inactive	Of which: Students ³	All econom- ically inactive	Of which: Students ³
Levels (thousands of people)															
Country of birth levels															
	MGTP	DSWD	DT35	DT3F	DTKB	LF9L	LF9W	DTLK	DYUP	DYUR	DYVR	DYVZ	DYWL	DYWR	DZ37
Apr-Jun 2019	1,296	1,015	280	74	206	8,659	2,350	7,006	1,864	1,640	485	414	159	1,226	327
Apr-Jun 2020	1,341	1,052	290	111	179	8,772	2,216	7,172	1,800	1,570	414	421	130	1,149	284
Jul-Sep 2020	1,730	1,313	416	140	276	8,619	2,196	7,131	1,776	1,466	419	360	116	1,106	303
Oct-Dec 2020	1,773	1,325	448	148	300	8,677	2,357	7,155	1,901	1,501	456	419	172	1,083	284
Jan-Mar 2021	1,635	1,198	437	161	276	8,843	2,614	7,251	2,098	1,567	511	422	210	1,145	301
Apr-Jun 2021	1,524	1,165	358	101	258	8,855	2,567	7,251	2,078	1,573	486	430	184	1,143	302
Change on year	183	114	69	-10	79	82	351	78	278	3	71	9	54	-6	18
Change %	13.6	10.8	23.7	-9.3	44.2	0.9	15.8	1.1	15.4	0.2	17.3	2.1	41.1	-0.5	6.3
Country of birth rates															
	MGUK	DT2W	DT3B	DTJG	DTKD	CR2K		DYTD		DYUT		DYWD		DYWT	
Apr-Jun 2019	3.8	3.6	4.6	2.9	5.8	21.0		20.8		21.7		14.4		26.3	
Apr-Jun 2020	4.0	3.8	4.6	4.5	4.8	21.2		21.3		20.6		14.6		24.1	
Jul-Sep 2020	5.1	4.7	6.7	6.1	7.1	20.8		21.1		19.5		13.7		22.6	
Oct-Dec 2020	5.2	4.8	7.2	6.3	7.7	21.0		21.2		19.9		15.4		22.4	
Jan-Mar 2021	4.8	4.4	6.7	6.5	6.8	21.4		21.7		19.9		14.9		22.7	
Apr-Jun 2021	4.5	4.2	5.7	4.1	6.6	21.4		21.6		20.4		15.2		23.3	
Change on year	0.6	0.4	1.0	-0.3	1.9	0.2		0.3		-0.2		0.6		-0.8	
Nationality levels															
	MGTP	DSWE	DT39	DTG9	DTKC	LF9L	LF9W	DYTC	DYUQ	DYUS	DYVU	DYWA	DYWM	DYWS	DZGD
Apr-Jun 2019	1,296	1,110	196	71	114	8,659	2,350	7,621	1,981	1,023	366	399	162	624	204
Apr-Jun 2020	1,341	1,142	199	93	106	8,772	2,216	7,780	1,925	964	287	408	130	556	156
Jul-Sep 2020	1,730	1,466	264	123	141	8,619	2,196	7,751	1,926	844	267	346	123	497	144
Oct-Dec 2020	1,773	1,483	290	141	149	8,677	2,357	7,788	2,061	866	293	376	157	490	136
Jan-Mar 2021	1,635	1,356	277	160	118	8,843	2,614	7,896	2,265	920	346	400	193	519	152
Apr-Jun 2021	1,524	1,296	227	103	124	8,855	2,567	7,855	2,223	965	341	418	184	547	157
Change on year	183	154	28	10	18	82	351	75	298	2	55	10	54	-9	0
Change %	13.6	13.5	13.9	10.2	17.1	0.9	15.8	1.0	15.5	0.2	19.0	2.5	41.6	-1.5	0.3
Nationality rates															
	MGUK	DT2Z	DT3D	DTKA	DTLH	CR2K		DYUO		DYUJ		DYWE		DZ36	
Apr-Jun 2019	3.8	3.7	4.8	2.9	8.1	21.0		20.9		21.2		14.2		31.0	
Apr-Jun 2020	4.0	3.8	5.1	3.9	7.0	21.2		21.3		20.1		14.9		27.0	
Jul-Sep 2020	5.1	4.8	7.0	5.6	8.8	20.8		21.1		18.4		13.8		23.9	
Oct-Dec 2020	5.2	4.9	7.6	6.3	9.2	21.0		21.3		18.6		14.6		23.6	
Jan-Mar 2021	4.8	4.5	6.9	6.8	7.1	21.4		21.7		19.0		14.8		24.2	
Apr-Jun 2021	4.5	4.3	5.8	4.5	7.7	21.4		21.6		20.1		15.5		25.8	
Change on year	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.2		0.3		0.0		0.6		-1.2	

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1. The total series includes people who do not state their country of birth or nationality. The total levels series therefore do not equal the sum of the "UK" and "Non-UK" series.

2. This series consists of all 27 EU member states excluding the UK.

3. This series consists of those people whose main reason for being economically inactive was because they were students. It does not include all students as some students will be included in the employment and unemployment estimates.

UNEMPLOYMENT

9(1) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

All aged 16 & over								All aged 16 - 64							
	All	Rate(%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months		All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11	12	13	14
People	MGSC	MG SX	YBWF	YBWG	YBWH	YBWI	YBWL		LF2I	LF2Q	LF2Y	LF32	LF34	LF36	LF38
Jun-Aug 2019	1,314	3.9	808	173	333	25.3	159		1,297	4.0	804	170	323	24.9	154
Jun-Aug 2020	1,543	4.5	1,015	231	297	19.2	153		1,521	4.7	1,006	227	288	19.0	150
Sep-Nov 2020	1,739	5.1	1,089	288	361	20.8	193		1,706	5.2	1,078	282	346	20.3	179
Dec-Feb 2021	1,705	5.0	960	377	368	21.6	189		1,674	5.1	946	371	357	21.3	181
Mar-May 2021	1,637	4.8	819	368	449	27.4	204		1,598	4.9	812	361	425	26.6	189
Jun-Aug 2021	1,510	4.5	802	260	449	29.7	192		1,480	4.5	791	257	432	29.2	187
Change on quarter	-126	-0.4	-18	-108	0	2.3	-12		-118	-0.4	-20	-104	7	2.6	-2
Change %	-7.7		-2.2	-29.4	-0.1		-5.7		-7.4		-2.5	-28.8	1.6		-1.1
Change on year	-33	-0.1	-213	28	152	10.5	39		-41	-0.1	-215	30	144	10.2	37
Change %	-2.2		-21.0	12.3	51.1		25.2		-2.7		-21.3	13.3	49.8		24.7
Men	MGSD	MG SY	MGYK	MGYM	MGYO	YBWJ	YBWM		YBSI	YBTJ	YBWP	YBWS	YBWW	YBWW	YBXB
Jun-Aug 2019	727	4.0	419	96	213	29.2	106		716	4.2	418	93	205	28.7	101
Jun-Aug 2020	879	4.9	560	133	185	21.1	106		865	5.1	559	130	176	20.4	104
Sep-Nov 2020	966	5.4	597	148	221	22.9	124		942	5.5	591	144	207	22.0	110
Dec-Feb 2021	933	5.3	500	201	231	24.8	129		912	5.4	494	197	222	24.3	121
Mar-May 2021	864	4.9	396	202	267	30.8	127		846	5.0	393	196	258	30.4	124
Jun-Aug 2021	821	4.6	394	144	283	34.4	127		799	4.7	388	144	267	33.5	124
Change on quarter	-43	-0.3	-2	-58	16	3.6	0		-47	-0.3	-5	-52	10	3.0	0
Change %	-5.0		-0.4	-28.6	6.0		-0.3		-5.6		-1.3	-26.4	3.8		0.3
Change on year	-57	-0.3	-166	11	97	13.3	21		-66	-0.3	-172	14	91	13.1	20
Change %	-6.5		-29.6	8.3	52.6		19.7		-7.6		-30.7	10.9	51.8		18.9
Women	MGSE	MG SZ	MGYL	MGYN	MGYP	YBWK	YBWN		LF2J	LF2R	LF2Z	LF33	LF35	LF37	LF39
Jun-Aug 2019	586	3.7	389	77	120	20.5	53		581	3.8	386	77	118	20.3	53
Jun-Aug 2020	665	4.1	455	98	112	16.8	47		656	4.2	446	97	112	17.1	46
Sep-Nov 2020	773	4.8	493	140	140	18.1	69		764	4.9	487	138	138	18.1	69
Dec-Feb 2021	772	4.8	460	176	136	17.6	60		761	4.9	452	174	135	17.8	60
Mar-May 2021	772	4.8	423	166	182	23.6	76		751	4.8	419	165	168	22.3	66
Jun-Aug 2021	689	4.3	407	116	166	24.1	65		681	4.4	403	113	165	24.2	63
Change on quarter	-83	-0.5	-16	-51	-16	0.5	-11		-70	-0.5	-15	-52	-3	1.9	-2
Change %	-10.8		-3.9	-30.4	-9.0		-14.6		-9.4		-3.6	-31.6	-1.8		-3.6
Change on year	24	0.1	-48	17	54	7.3	18		25	0.1	-43	16	52	7.1	17
Change %	3.6		-10.5	17.7	48.5		37.4		3.9		-9.6	16.4	46.7		38.0
16-17								18-24							
	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months		All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
People	YBVH	YBVK	YBXD	YBXG	YBXJ	YBXM	YBXP		YBVN	YBVQ	YBXS	YBXY	YBYB	YBYB	YBYE
Jun-Aug 2019	86	20.3	66	14	6	6.5	*		408	10.8	284	47	78	19.1	18
Jun-Aug 2020	91	24.4	63	24	4	4.2	*		493	13.3	354	56	82	16.7	31
Sep-Nov 2020	81	24.8	56	21	4	5.2	*		510	13.5	343	75	91	17.9	33
Dec-Feb 2021	97	32.0	68	18	10	10.4	*		484	13.1	290	101	92	19.0	34
Mar-May 2021	111	35.5	80	16	14	13.0	*		428	11.6	241	96	92	21.4	30
Jun-Aug 2021	104	25.1	83	11	10	9.4	*		395	10.8	245	61	89	22.6	22
Change on quarter	-7	-10.3	2	-8	-5	-3.6	*		-33	-0.9	4	-35	-2	1.2	-8
Change %	-6.4		2.6	-28.7	-32.3		*		-7.8		1.7	-36.5	-2.5		-25.4
Change on year	13	0.8	20	-13	6	5.2	*		-98	-2.5	-110	4	7	5.9	-8
Change %	14.1		31.5	-53.2	156.0		*		-19.9		-31.0	8.0	8.5		-26.7
Men	YBVI	YBVL	YBXE	YBXH	YBXK	YBXN	YBXQ		YBVO	YBVR	YBXT	YBXW	YBXZ	YBYC	YBYF
Jun-Aug 2019	50	24.2	38	8	4	8.1	*		246	12.4	161	30	56	22.7	14
Jun-Aug 2020	45	25.3	32	12	*	*	*		311	15.9	216	38	57	18.4	26
Sep-Nov 2020	44	28.2	32	10	*	*	*		301	15.5	197	43	61	20.1	24
Dec-Feb 2021	44	32.5	32	9	3	6.2	*		286	15.2	162	65	59	20.5	22
Mar-May 2021	50	35.6	35	10	5	9.7	*		239	12.7	129	57	52	21.7	16
Jun-Aug 2021	51	27.0	42	4	6	11.7	*		227	12.0	130	36	62	27.1	11
Change on quarter	2	-8.6	7	-6	1	2.0	*		-11	-0.7	0	-21	10	5.4	-5
Change %	3.3		19.5	-63.5	24.8		*		-4.7		0.1	-36.8	18.8		-29.0
Change on year	6	1.7	10	-8	*	*	*		-84	-3.9	-87	-1	4	8.7	-14
Change %	14.2		30.3	-69.0	*	*	*		-26.9		-40.1	-3.5	7.4		-55.6
Women	YBVJ	YBVM	YBXF	YBXI	YBXL	YBXO	YBXR		YBVP	YBVS	YBXU	YBXX	YBYA	YBYD	YBYG
Jun-Aug 2019	36	16.5	28	6	*	*	*		162	9.1	123	17	22	13.6	5
Jun-Aug 2020	46	23.5	31	13	*	*	*		182	10.3	138	19	25	13.8	5
Sep-Nov 2020	36	21.7	24	10	*	*	*		208	11.4	146	32	31	14.7	10
Dec-Feb 2021	53	31.6	36	9	7	13.9	*		198	11.0	128	36	33	16.9	13
Mar-May 2021	61	35.4	46	6	10	15.6	*		189	10.5	111	38	40	21.0	14
Jun-Aug 2021	52	23.5	41	8	4	7.1	*		167	9.4	115	25	28	16.6	11
Change on quarter	-9	-11.8	-5	2	-6	-8.5	*		-22	-1.1	4	-14	-12	-4.4	-3
Change %	-14.3		-10.2	30.0	-61.1		*		-11.6		3.5	-36.2	-30.2		-21.3
Change on year	6	0.0	10	-5	*	*	*		-14	-0.9	-23	6	3	2.8	6
Change %	14.0		32.8	-38.3	*	*	*		-7.9		-16.6	31.0	10.9		128.0

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UNEMPLOYMENT

9(2) Unemployment by age and duration

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	25-49							50 and over						
	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months	All	Rate (%) ¹	Up to 6 months	Over 6 and up to 12 months	All over 12 months	% over 12 months	All over 24 months
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
People	MGVI	MGXB	YBYH	YBYK	YBYN	YBYQ	YBYT	YBYU	YBVX	YBYX	YBZA	YBZD	YBZG	YBZJ
Jun-Aug 2019	548	2.9	324	69	155	28.2	79	271	2.5	134	43	94	34.8	59
Jun-Aug 2020	622	3.3	418	95	109	17.6	51	337	3.1	180	56	101	30.1	72
Sep-Nov 2020	735	3.9	466	128	141	19.2	79	413	3.8	225	64	125	30.2	81
Dec-Feb 2021	698	3.7	394	164	139	20.0	74	427	3.9	207	93	126	29.6	81
Mar-May 2021	704	3.7	347	169	188	26.7	82	394	3.6	151	87	155	39.4	90
Jun-Aug 2021	666	3.5	336	127	203	30.5	88	346	3.2	139	60	147	42.4	83
Change on quarter	-38	-0.2	-11	-42	15	3.8	5	-48	-0.5	-13	-27	-9	3.0	-7
Change %	-5.4		-3.3	-24.6	8.1		6.5	-12.3		-8.4	-30.9	-5.5		-7.8
Change on year	44	0.2	-82	32	94	12.9	37	8	0.1	-41	5	45	12.3	11
Change %	7.0		-19.7	34.0	85.6		71.8	2.5		-22.9	8.2	44.5		15.3
Men	YBYF	MGXC	YBYI	YBYL	YBYO	YBYR	YBYU	YBYU	YBVX	YBYX	YBZA	YBZD	YBZG	YBZJ
Jun-Aug 2019	272	2.7	147	32	93	34.2	50	159	2.8	73	26	60	37.4	42
Jun-Aug 2020	318	3.2	211	50	58	18.1	33	204	3.5	101	34	69	33.8	47
Sep-Nov 2020	362	3.6	236	57	69	19.0	43	259	4.5	131	38	90	34.7	57
Dec-Feb 2021	351	3.5	202	68	81	23.0	50	253	4.4	104	59	89	35.4	58
Mar-May 2021	354	3.6	159	83	112	31.6	53	222	3.9	73	51	98	44.2	57
Jun-Aug 2021	348	3.5	157	68	122	35.1	59	195	3.4	66	36	93	47.7	56
Change on quarter	-7	-0.1	-2	-15	10	3.5	6	-27	-0.5	-6	-16	-5	3.6	-1
Change %	-1.8		-1.3	-17.6	9.1		11.5	-12.2		-8.8	-30.4	-5.1		-1.2
Change on year	30	0.3	-54	19	64	17.0	26	-9	-0.2	-35	2	24	14.0	9
Change %	9.3		-25.4	37.8	111.6		77.8	-4.6		-34.7	5.1	34.8		20.0
Women	YBYG	MGXD	YBYJ	YBYM	YBYP	YBYS	YBYV	YBYV	YBYV	YBYV	YBZB	YBZE	YBZH	YBZK
Jun-Aug 2019	276	3.1	177	37	62	22.4	29	112	2.2	61	16	35	31.1	18
Jun-Aug 2020	304	3.4	207	45	52	17.0	18	133	2.6	78	22	32	24.5	25
Sep-Nov 2020	374	4.1	230	71	73	19.4	36	155	3.0	93	27	35	22.6	24
Dec-Feb 2021	347	3.8	192	96	59	16.9	24	174	3.4	103	34	37	21.1	23
Mar-May 2021	350	3.9	188	86	76	21.7	30	172	3.3	79	36	57	33.2	32
Jun-Aug 2021	319	3.5	179	59	81	25.4	29	151	2.9	72	25	54	35.6	26
Change on quarter	-31	-0.3	-9	-27	5	3.7	-1	-21	-0.4	-6	-11	-4	2.3	-6
Change %	-8.9		-5.0	-31.4	6.8		-2.5	-12.4		-8.0	-31.7	-6.3		-19.3
Change on year	14	0.2	-29	14	29	8.4	11	18	0.4	-6	3	21	11.1	2
Change %	4.6		-13.9	29.9	56.6		60.8	13.5		-7.7	13.0	65.1		6.2

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ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

10 Economic activity by age

United Kingdom (thousands) seasonally adjusted

	All aged 16 & 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
Jun-Aug 2019	34,006	32,663	423	3,774	7,822	11,142	9,501	1,344
Jun-Aug 2020	34,008	32,692	373	3,719	7,903	11,090	9,608	1,316
Sep-Nov 2020	34,043	32,681	324	3,776	7,886	11,114	9,581	1,362
Dec-Feb 2021	33,860	32,539	302	3,679	7,873	11,130	9,555	1,321
Mar-May 2021	33,817	32,488	312	3,684	7,818	11,128	9,546	1,329
Jun-Aug 2021	33,926	32,570	412	3,666	7,786	11,150	9,555	1,356
Change on quarter	109	81	100	-18	-33	23	9	28
Change %	0.3	0.3	32.1	-0.5	-0.4	0.2	0.1	2.1
Change on year	-82	-122	40	-52	-118	61	-52	40
Change %	-0.2	-0.4	10.6	-1.4	-1.5	0.5	-0.5	3.0
Men	MGSG	YBSL	YBZM	YBZP	YBZS	YBZV	YBZY	YCAE
Jun-Aug 2019	17,984	17,201	206	1,982	4,195	5,877	4,940	782
Jun-Aug 2020	17,873	17,119	177	1,958	4,171	5,801	5,012	755
Sep-Nov 2020	17,829	17,032	157	1,940	4,135	5,805	4,995	796
Dec-Feb 2021	17,679	16,907	136	1,880	4,113	5,812	4,966	772
Mar-May 2021	17,676	16,898	139	1,879	4,116	5,816	4,949	777
Jun-Aug 2021	17,772	16,951	190	1,889	4,110	5,814	4,949	821
Change on quarter	97	53	50	10	-6	-2	0	44
Change %	0.5	0.3	36.3	0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.0	5.6
Change on year	-101	-168	13	-69	-61	13	-63	67
Change %	-0.6	-1.0	7.1	-3.5	-1.5	0.2	-1.3	8.8
Women	MGSF	LF2L	YBZN	YBZQ	YBZT	YBZW	LF3B	LFK9
Jun-Aug 2019	16,023	15,462	217	1,793	3,627	5,265	4,560	561
Jun-Aug 2020	16,135	15,573	196	1,761	3,733	5,288	4,596	562
Sep-Nov 2020	16,214	15,648	167	1,836	3,751	5,309	4,586	566
Dec-Feb 2021	16,181	15,632	166	1,799	3,760	5,318	4,589	549
Mar-May 2021	16,141	15,590	173	1,805	3,703	5,312	4,598	551
Jun-Aug 2021	16,153	15,619	223	1,777	3,676	5,336	4,607	535
Change on quarter	12	28	50	-28	-27	25	9	-16
Change %	0.1	0.2	28.7	-1.5	-0.7	0.5	0.2	-2.9
Change on year	19	45	27	17	-57	48	11	-27
Change %	0.1	0.3	13.8	0.9	-1.5	0.9	0.2	-4.7

Economic activity rates (%)¹

People	MGWG	LF22	YCAC	YCAJ	YCAM	YCAP	LF2C	LFL2
Jun-Aug 2019	63.8	79.0	30.3	68.5	87.3	87.6	74.5	11.2
Jun-Aug 2020	63.6	79.0	26.1	68.6	88.5	87.4	74.6	10.8
Sep-Nov 2020	63.6	79.1	22.6	70.0	88.4	87.7	74.2	11.2
Dec-Feb 2021	63.3	78.8	20.9	68.5	88.4	88.0	73.9	10.8
Mar-May 2021	63.1	78.7	21.5	68.9	87.9	88.1	73.6	10.8
Jun-Aug 2021	63.3	78.9	28.2	68.8	87.6	88.3	73.6	11.0
Change on quarter	0.2	0.2	6.8	-0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2
Change on year	-0.2	-0.2	2.2	0.1	-0.9	1.0	-1.0	0.2
Men	MGWH	MGSP	YCAH	YCAK	YCAN	YCAQ	MGWQ	MGWT
Jun-Aug 2019	68.9	83.6	28.9	70.5	93.2	93.5	79.0	14.1
Jun-Aug 2020	68.2	83.2	24.2	70.8	92.7	92.5	79.3	13.4
Sep-Nov 2020	68.0	82.8	21.3	70.5	92.0	92.7	78.9	14.1
Dec-Feb 2021	67.4	82.2	18.3	68.6	91.6	92.9	78.3	13.6
Mar-May 2021	67.3	82.2	18.7	68.9	91.7	93.1	77.9	13.7
Jun-Aug 2021	67.7	82.5	25.4	69.4	91.6	93.1	77.8	14.4
Change on quarter	0.3	0.3	6.7	0.6	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.7
Change on year	-0.5	-0.7	1.2	-1.3	-1.1	0.6	-1.5	1.0
Women	MGWI	LF23	YCAI	YCAL	YCAO	YCAR	LF2D	LFL3
Jun-Aug 2019	58.9	74.4	31.9	66.5	81.3	81.7	70.2	8.7
Jun-Aug 2020	59.1	75.0	28.1	66.4	84.2	82.4	70.0	8.6
Sep-Nov 2020	59.4	75.4	23.9	69.5	84.8	82.8	69.7	8.7
Dec-Feb 2021	59.3	75.4	23.6	68.4	85.2	83.1	69.6	8.4
Mar-May 2021	59.1	75.2	24.4	68.9	84.0	83.1	69.5	8.4
Jun-Aug 2021	59.1	75.3	31.3	68.0	83.5	83.6	69.6	8.1
Change on quarter	0.0	0.2	6.9	-0.9	-0.5	0.5	0.0	-0.3
Change on year	0.0	0.4	3.2	1.7	-0.7	1.3	-0.4	-0.5

Data source: Labour Force Survey

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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	LF2M	LF63	LF65	LF67	LF69	LFL8	LF6B	LF6D	LFL9	LFM2
Jun-Aug 2019	8,676	2,316	1,980	169	2,069	39	1,120	982	6,792	1,884
Jun-Aug 2020	8,665	2,332	1,708	138	2,141	59	1,140	1,147	6,661	2,004
Sep-Nov 2020	8,648	2,338	1,662	169	2,162	72	1,105	1,141	6,706	1,941
Dec-Feb 2021	8,769	2,469	1,592	180	2,151	92	1,125	1,159	6,857	1,912
Mar-May 2021	8,806	2,514	1,624	177	2,147	69	1,185	1,090	6,988	1,818
Jun-Aug 2021	8,715	2,390	1,651	188	2,201	33	1,192	1,060	6,990	1,725
Change on quarter	-91	-124	27	11	54	-36	6	-29	2	-93
Change %	-1.0	-4.9	1.6	6.4	2.5	-51.9	0.5	-2.7	0.0	-5.1
Change on year	50	58	-57	50	60	-26	52	-87	329	-279
Change %	0.6	2.5	-3.3	36.2	2.8	-44.5	4.6	-7.6	4.9	-13.9
Men	YBSO	BEEEX	BEAQ	BEDI	BEDL	YCFP	BEDR	BEDU	YBWA	YBWD
Jun-Aug 2019	3,366	1,160	227	73	962	24	508	411	2,598	768
Jun-Aug 2020	3,466	1,168	242	63	968	35	504	484	2,640	825
Sep-Nov 2020	3,540	1,167	239	76	1,038	43	467	509	2,681	859
Dec-Feb 2021	3,657	1,265	222	83	1,004	57	496	531	2,809	848
Mar-May 2021	3,661	1,297	217	82	1,010	37	540	479	2,865	796
Jun-Aug 2021	3,605	1,215	238	93	1,018	14	548	479	2,834	771
Change on quarter	-57	-82	21	11	8	-23	8	0	-31	-25
Change %	-1.5	-6.3	9.6	13.9	0.8	-62.1	1.5	0.0	-1.1	-3.2
Change on year	139	46	-4	30	50	-21	44	-5	194	-55
Change %	4.0	4.0	-1.7	46.7	5.1	-60.1	8.6	-1.1	7.3	-6.6
Women	LF2N	LF64	LF66	LF68	LF6A	LFM3	LF6C	LF6E	LFM4	LFM5
Jun-Aug 2019	5,310	1,156	1,753	95	1,107	15	612	571	4,194	1,116
Jun-Aug 2020	5,199	1,164	1,466	75	1,173	24	635	663	4,021	1,178
Sep-Nov 2020	5,108	1,170	1,423	93	1,124	29	637	631	4,026	1,082
Dec-Feb 2021	5,112	1,204	1,370	98	1,147	35	630	628	4,048	1,064
Mar-May 2021	5,145	1,218	1,407	95	1,137	31	646	611	4,123	1,022
Jun-Aug 2021	5,111	1,176	1,413	95	1,183	19	644	581	4,156	954
Change on quarter	-35	-42	6	0	46	-13	-2	-29	33	-68
Change %	-0.7	-3.5	0.4	-0.1	4.1	-39.9	-0.3	-4.8	0.8	-6.7
Change on year	-89	12	-53	20	11	-5	8	-82	136	-224
Change %	-1.7	1.0	-3.6	27.3	0.9	-21.7	1.3	-12.3	3.4	-19.0
Percentage of economically inactive aged from 16 to 64 (%)										
People	LF6V	LF6X	LF6Z	LF73	LF75	LF77	LF79	LF7B	LF7D	LF7F
Jun-Aug 2019	100.0	26.7	22.8	1.9	23.8	0.5	12.9	11.3	78.3	21.7
Jun-Aug 2020	100.0	26.9	19.7	1.6	24.7	0.7	13.2	13.2	76.9	23.1
Sep-Nov 2020	100.0	27.0	19.2	2.0	25.0	0.8	12.8	13.2	77.6	22.4
Dec-Feb 2021	100.0	28.2	18.2	2.1	24.5	1.1	12.8	13.2	78.2	21.8
Mar-May 2021	100.0	28.6	18.4	2.0	24.4	0.8	13.5	12.4	79.4	20.6
Jun-Aug 2021	100.0	27.4	18.9	2.2	25.3	0.4	13.7	12.2	80.2	19.8
Men	BEBP	BEEH	BEEK	BEEN	BEEQ	BEET	BEEW	BEEZ	BEAS	BEGT
Jun-Aug 2019	100.0	34.5	6.7	2.2	28.6	0.7	15.1	12.2	77.2	22.8
Jun-Aug 2020	100.0	33.7	7.0	1.8	27.9	1.0	14.6	14.0	76.2	23.8
Sep-Nov 2020	100.0	33.0	6.8	2.1	29.3	1.2	13.2	14.4	75.7	24.3
Dec-Feb 2021	100.0	34.6	6.1	2.3	27.5	1.6	13.6	14.5	76.8	23.2
Mar-May 2021	100.0	35.4	5.9	2.2	27.6	1.0	14.7	13.1	78.3	21.7
Jun-Aug 2021	100.0	33.7	6.6	2.6	28.2	0.4	15.2	13.3	78.6	21.4
Women	LF6W	LF6Y	LF72	LF74	LF76	LF78	LF7A	LF7C	LF7E	LF7G
Jun-Aug 2019	100.0	21.8	33.0	1.8	20.8	0.3	11.5	10.8	79.0	21.0
Jun-Aug 2020	100.0	22.4	28.2	1.4	22.6	0.5	12.2	12.8	77.3	22.7
Sep-Nov 2020	100.0	22.9	27.9	1.8	22.0	0.6	12.5	12.4	78.8	21.2
Dec-Feb 2021	100.0	23.6	26.8	1.9	22.4	0.7	12.3	12.3	79.2	20.8
Mar-May 2021	100.0	23.7	27.4	1.8	22.1	0.6	12.5	11.9	80.1	19.9
Jun-Aug 2021	100.0	23.0	27.7	1.9	23.1	0.4	12.6	11.4	81.3	18.7

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 unclassified reason for being economically inactive, or (v) have not given a reason for being economically inactive.

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND INACTIVITY

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

Jun-Aug 2021

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	1,459	309	104	1,047	1,328	255	88	986	131	54	16	61
18-24	5,332	3,271	395	1,666	1,938	654	110	1,174	3,395	2,618	285	492
16-24	6,792	3,580	498	2,713	3,266	909	198	2,159	3,526	2,671	301	554
Men												
16-17	747	138	51	557	670	101	39	530	77	38	12	27
18-24	2,721	1,662	227	831	928	289	52	587	1,792	1,372	175	244
16-24	3,467	1,800	279	1,389	1,598	390	91	1,117	1,869	1,410	188	271
Women												
16-17	712	170	52	490	658	154	49	456	54	16	4	34
18-24	2,612	1,610	167	835	1,009	365	58	587	1,603	1,245	109	248
16-24	3,324	1,780	220	1,324	1,668	519	107	1,042	1,657	1,261	113	282

Changes on quarter

People												
16-17	6	107	-7	-95	18	101	0	-83	-12	6	-7	-11
18-24	-15	16	-33	2	50	61	16	-28	-65	-45	-50	30
16-24	-10	123	-40	-92	67	162	16	-111	-77	-39	-56	19
Men												
16-17	3	49	2	-48	6	41	3	-39	-3	8	-2	-9
18-24	-8	21	-11	-18	25	52	10	-38	-33	-31	-22	19
16-24	-5	70	-10	-66	30	93	14	-76	-36	-23	-23	10
Women												
16-17	3	58	-9	-47	12	61	-4	-44	-9	-2	-5	-3
18-24	-7	-6	-22	21	25	9	6	10	-32	-15	-28	11
16-24	-4	53	-31	-26	37	69	2	-34	-41	-17	-33	8

Rates(%)³

People												
16-17		21.1	25.1	71.8		19.2	25.7	74.2		41.2	22.6	46.8
18-24		61.4	10.8	31.2		33.8	14.4	60.6		77.1	9.8	14.5
16-24		52.7	12.2	39.9		27.8	17.9	66.1		75.8	10.1	15.7
Men												
16-17		18.5	27.0	74.6		15.0	28.0	79.1		49.1	24.3	35.2
18-24		61.1	12.0	30.6		31.2	15.2	63.2		76.6	11.3	13.6
16-24		51.9	13.4	40.1		24.4	18.9	69.9		75.4	11.7	14.5
Women												
16-17		23.9	23.5	68.7		23.4	24.1	69.2		29.9	18.3	63.4
18-24		61.6	9.4	32.0		36.1	13.7	58.1		77.7	8.1	15.5
16-24		53.5	11.0	39.8		31.1	17.1	62.5		76.1	8.2	17.0

Changes on quarter

People												
16-17		7.3	-10.3	-6.8		7.5	-10.9	-7.4		7.6	-9.2	-4.0
18-24		0.5	-0.9	0.1		2.3	0.8	-3.1		0.1	-1.3	1.1
16-24		1.9	-1.3	-1.3		4.5	-1.7	-4.9		0.5	-1.5	0.9
Men												
16-17		6.5	-8.6	-6.7		6.0	-9.4	-6.5		11.6	-7.5	-9.9
18-24		1.0	-0.7	-0.6		4.9	0.3	-5.9		-0.3	-1.0	1.3
16-24		2.1	-0.9	-1.8		5.5	-1.7	-6.2		0.2	-1.1	0.8
Women												
16-17		8.1	-11.8	-6.9		8.9	-12.0	-8.2		1.1	-13.4	5.5
18-24		0.0	-1.1	0.9		0.0	1.0	-0.5		0.6	-1.8	1.0
16-24		1.7	-1.7	-0.7		3.5	-1.8	-3.5		0.9	-2.0	0.9

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/youngpeoplenotineducationemploymentortrainingneet/latest>

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.

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
Jun-Aug 2019	115	4.1	58	4.2	56	4.1
Jun-Aug 2020	229	8.3	128	9.2	102	7.4
Sep-Nov 2020	402	14.5	217	15.5	185	13.4
Dec-Feb 2021	209	7.5	110	7.9	99	7.2
Mar-May 2021	104	3.8	61	4.4	43	3.1
Jun-Aug 2021	99	3.6	49	3.5	50	3.6
Change on quarter	-5	-0.2	-12	-0.9	7	0.5
Change %	-4.7		-19.4		16.4	
Change on year	-130	-4.7	-78	-5.6	-52	-3.7
Change %	-56.7		-61.3		-50.9	

Data source: Labour Force Survey

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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.