

Statistical bulletin

Vacancies and jobs in the UK: December 2019

Estimates of the number of vacancies and jobs for the UK.



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1. Other pages in this release

Other commentary from the latest labour market data can be found on the following pages:

- Labour market overview
- Employment in the UK
- Average weekly earnings in Great Britain

2. Main points

- The level of vacancies has been falling consistently since early 2019 after achieving a record high in January.
- There were an estimated 794,000 vacancies in the UK for September to November 2019; 20,000 fewer than last quarter and 59,000 fewer than a year earlier.
- The 59,000 annual fall in vacancies is the strongest fall since October to December 2009 when there was an annual decrease of 72,000 vacancies compared with the year earlier.
- For September 2019, there was an estimated 35.75 million jobs in the UK, an increase of 77,000 jobs when compared to June 2019 and an increase of 652,000 jobs when compared with the year earlier.

The data in this bulletin come from surveys of businesses. It is not feasible to survey every business in the UK, so these statistics are estimates based on samples, not precise figures.

3. Vacancies

Figure 1: Vacancies for September to November 2019

Number of vacancies in the UK, September to November 2001 to September to November 2019, seasonally adjusted

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Number of vacancies in the UK, September to November 2001 to September to November 2019, seasonally adjusted



Source: Office for National Statistics - Vacancy Survey

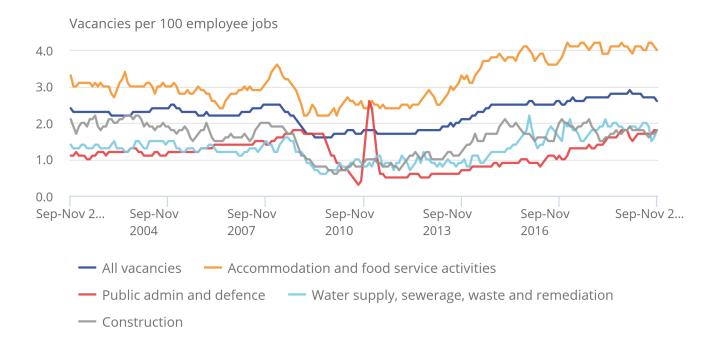
The estimated <u>number of vacancies</u> in the UK fell sharply during the recession of 2008 to 2009. Since 2012, it has generally increased although it has been falling since early 2019. For September to November 2019, there were an estimated 794,000 vacancies in the UK, 20,000 fewer than for the previous quarter (June to August 2019) and 59,000 fewer than for the previous year.

Figure 2: The vacancy rate for accommodation and food service activities has been consistently higher than for other sectors

Job Vacancies per 100 employee jobs for selected industries in the UK, September to November 2001 to September to November 2019, seasonally adjusted

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Notes:

1. The sharp upward movement in the public sector series in early 2011 was because of the recruitment of temporary census enumerator jobs by the Office for National Statistics.

For September to November 2019 it is estimated that:

- there were an estimated 794,000 vacancies in the UK, 20,000 fewer than for the three months to August 2019 (this is the tenth consecutive fall on the previous three months) and 59,000 fewer than a year earlier (this is the sixth consecutive annual fall)
- there were 2.6 job vacancies per 100 employee jobs across the economy as a whole; this rate has not been as low since June-August 2017
- there were 137,000 vacancies in the human health and social work activities sector (making it the largest sector for the sixth consecutive period); this accounted for 17.2% of all vacancies in the UK, this is a rise of 6,000 compared to a year earlier
- there were an estimated 49,000 vacancies in the manufacturing sector; this is a fall of 12,000 compared to a year earlier
- the sector showing the highest vacancy rate was accommodation and food service activities (4.0 vacancies per 100 employee jobs)
- the sectors showing the lowest vacancy rate were "construction", "public admin and defence" and "water supply, sewerage, waste and remediation activities" (all 1.8 job vacancies per 100 employee jobs)

4.Jobs

Figure 3: Jobs for September 2019

Number of jobs in the UK, Sept 2019, seasonally adjusted

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Number of jobs in the UK, Sept 2019, seasonally adjusted



Source: Office for National Statistics - Workforce jobs

The <u>number of jobs</u> is not the same as the number of people in employment. This is because a person can have more than one job. Estimates for the number of people in employment are available in <u>Employment in the UK</u>.

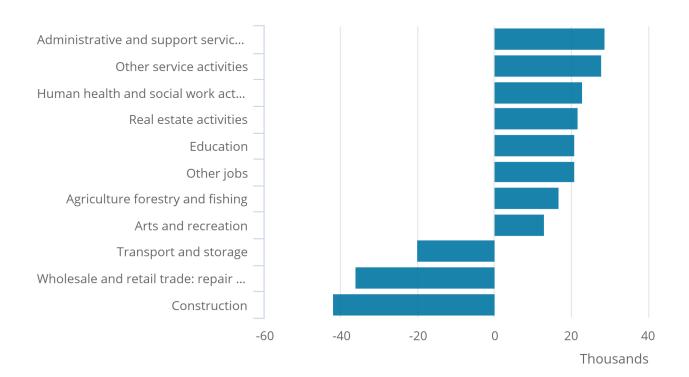
- The number of jobs has been generally increasing since 2013
- Between June 2019 and September 2019, the total number of jobs in the UK increased by 77,000 to reach an estimated 35.75 million, this is a record high
- There were an estimated 4.98 million jobs in the "wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles" sector in September 2019; this represents 13.9% of total jobs in September 2019. The next highest sector is "human health and social work" with an estimated 4.49 million jobs
- Several sectors were at a record high in September 2019; including "human health and social work" (4.49 million jobs), "administrative and support service activities" (3.09 million jobs), "education" (2.95 million jobs) and "accommodation and food service activities" (2.51 million jobs)
- Between September 2018 and September 2019, the total number of jobs in the UK increased by 652,000

Figure 4: The number of administrative and support service activity jobs increased by 29,000 between June and Sept 2019

Changes in the number of jobs in the UK between June and Sept 2019, seasonally adjusted

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Changes in the number of jobs in the UK between June and Sept 2019, seasonally adjusted



Source: Office for National Statistics – Workforce jobs

The sector showing the largest estimated quarterly increase in jobs was administrative & support service activities (up 29,000 on the quarter).

The sector showing the largest estimated annual increase in jobs was professional, scientific and technical activities (up 149,000 on the year).

The sector showing the largest estimated quarterly and annual decrease in jobs was construction (down 42,000 on the quarter, 59,000 on the year).

5. Vacancies and jobs data

Vacancies by industry

Dataset VACS02 | Released 17 December 2019 Estimates of vacancies by industry (Standard Industrial Classification 2007).

Workforce jobs summary

Dataset JOBS01 | Released 17 December 2019 Estimates of jobs by type of job (employee jobs, self-employment jobs, HM Forces and governmentsupported trainees).

Workforce jobs by industry

Dataset JOBS02 | Released 17 December 2019 Estimates of jobs by industry (Standard Industrial Classification 2007).

	UK	
SIC 2007 Section	Estimate for Sept 2019	Sampling variability of estimate ¹
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	409	±41
Mining and quarrying	58	±5
Manufacturing	2,719	±39
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	144	±11
Water supply, sewerage, waste and remediation activities	247	±9
Construction	2,262	±59
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	4,936	±59
Transport and storage	1,798	±47
Accommodation and food service activities	2,506	±55
Information and communication	1,520	±48
Financial and insurance activities	1,128	±27
Real estate activities	615	±36
Professional scientific and technical activities	3,242	±75
Administrative and support service activities	3,087	±61
Public admin and defence; compulsory social security	1,522	±13
Education	2,948	±41
Human health and social work activities	4,485	±65
Arts, entertainment and recreation	1,036	±43
Other service activities and private households	1,048	±43
All jobs	35,710	±194
	Agriculture, forestry and fishingMining and quarryingManufacturingElectricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supplyWater supply, sewerage, waste and remediation activitiesConstructionWholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcyclesTransport and storageAccommodation and food service activitiesInformation and communicationFinancial and insurance activitiesReal estate activitiesProfessional scientific and technical activitiesAdministrative and support service activitiesPublic admin and defence; compulsory social securityEducationHuman health and social work activitiesArts, entertainment and recreationOther service activities and private households	SIC 2007 Sectionstimate for SectionAgriculture, forestry and fishing409Mining and quarying58Manufacturing2,719Iectricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply144Bater supply, sewerage, waste and remediation247Construction2,262Construction2,262Manufacturing1,98Construction1,98Accommodation and food service activities3,061Information and food service activities1,520Financial and insurance activities1,282Professional scientific and technical activities3,087Public admin and defence; compulsory social secuti3,087Fuuran health and social work activities4,485Ausentertation and food service activities3,084Fundination and communication1,522Fundination and food service activities3,087Fundination and food service activities3,087Fundination and communication1,522Fundination and performant activities3,087Fundination activities3,086Fundination activities3,086Fundination activities3,086Fundination activities3,086Fundination activities3,086Fundination activities3,086Fundination activities

Source: Office for National Statistics – Workforce jobs

Notes

1. The sampling variability estimates are for 95% confidence intervals and are calculated on data for June 2019 that are not seasonally adjusted. <u>Back to table</u>

More detailed sampling variability information for estimates of jobs is available from Dataset JOBS07.

6. Glossary

Vacancies

<u>Vacancies</u> 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 – 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).

Jobs

A job is an activity performed for an employer or customer by a worker in exchange for payment, usually in cash, or in kind, or both. The number of jobs is not the same as the number of <u>people in employment</u>. This is because a person can have more than one job. The number of jobs is the sum of employee jobs from employer surveys, self-employment jobs from the Labour Force Survey, those in HM Forces and government-supported trainees. The number of people in employment is measured by the Labour Force Survey (LFS); these estimates are available in our <u>Employment in the UK</u> release.

A more detailed Glossary is available.

7 . Measuring the data

Estimates of jobs are compiled from a number of sources, including Short Term Employer Surveys (STES), the <u>Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES)</u> and the <u>Labour Force Survey (LFS)</u>. STES is a group of surveys that collect employment and turnover information from private sector businesses. In December of each year, the jobs estimates are "benchmarked" to the latest estimates from the <u>Business Register and Employment Survey</u>.

Estimates of vacancies are obtained from the Vacancy Survey, a survey of employers.

More quality and methodology information on strengths, limitations, appropriate uses, and how the data were created is available in the <u>Vacancy Survey</u> and <u>Workforce Jobs</u> QMI reports.

8. Strengths and limitations

Accuracy of the statistics: estimating and reporting uncertainty

The figures in this bulletin mainly come from surveys of businesses, which gather information from a sample rather than from the whole population. The samples are designed to be as accurate as possible given practical limitations such as time and cost constraints. 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.

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, vacancies in the construction industry), which are based on quite small subsets of the Vacancy Survey sample, are less reliable and tend to be more volatile than for larger aggregated groups (for example, total vacancies in the UK).

In general, short-term changes in the growth rates reported in this bulletin 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.

Further information is available in <u>A guide to labour market statistics</u>.

Sampling variability information for jobs is available in Table 1 in this bulletin and in Dataset JOBS07.

The sampling variability of the three-month average vacancies level is around plus or minus 1.5% of that level.

9. Related links

Labour market economic commentary

Article | Released 17 December 2019 Additional economic analysis of the latest UK labour market headline statistics and long-term trends.

Employees in the UK: 2018

Bulletin | Released 26 September 2019 The Business Register and Employment Survey (BRES) is the official source of employee and employment by detailed geography and industry.

Public sector employment

Bulletin | Released 17 December 2019 Estimates of people employed in the public and private sectors in the UK.

Revisions to Workforce Jobs

Article | Released 17 December 2019 This article explains the revisions that have been made to the workforce jobs series since December 2018.

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:

 $\underline{https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/employmentandemployeetypes/bulletins/uklabourmarket/december 2019/related data and a state of the state of t$

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4(1)	Public sector employment by industry	Dataset EMP03
5	Workforce jobs summary	Dataset JOBS01
6 (**)	Workforce jobs by industry	Dataset JOBS02
7	Actual weekly hours worked	Dataset HOUR01 SA
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
	UNEMPLOYMENT	
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10(*)	Economic activity by age	Dataset A05 SA
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(*) Tables 2 and 10 in the Statistical Bulletin pdf file have been amalgamated into one spreadsheet (Dataset A05 SA).

 $(^{\star\star})$ 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

EMPLOYMENT AND JOBS 5 Workforce jobs United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		Se	elf-employment		Government- supported
	Workforce jobs	Employee jobs	jobs1	HM Forces	trainees1
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	DYDC	BCAJ	DYZN	LOJX	LOJU
Sep 17 (r)	34,953	30,225	4,527	156	46
Dec 17 (r)	34,874	30,206	4,481	155	31
Mar 18 (r)	34,975	30,293	4,500	154	28
Jun 18 (r)	35,012	30,295	4,537	153	28
Sep 18 (r)	35,101	30,444	4,481	153	23
Dec 18 (r)	35,291	30,530	4,589	152	21
Mar 19 (r)	35,542	30,705	4,658	153	27
Jun 19 (r)	35,676	30,810	4,673	152	41
Sep 19 (p)	35,753	30,952	4,618	153	29
Change on quarter	77	143	-55	1	-13
Change %	0.2	0.5	-1.2	0.9	-30.6
Change on year	652	509	137	0	6
Change %	1.9	1.7	3.1	0.2	25.7

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6 Workforce jobs by industry

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	Financial & insurance activities		Professional scientific & technical activities	Administrative & support service of activities	Public admin & defence; compulsory social security2	Education	Human health & social work activities	Arts, entertainment & recreation		People employed y households,etc.	Total services
SIC 2007 sections	К	L	М	N	0	Р	Q	R	S	Т	G-T
	JWS7	JWS8	JWS9	JWT2	JWT3	JWT4	JWT5	JWT6	JWT7	KW78	JWT8
Sep 17 (r)	1,106	573	3,025	3,056	1,485	2,931	4,329	1,041	908	71	29,073
Dec 17 (r)	1,114	589	3,028	3,018	1,482	2,917	4,358	1,019	914	56	28,993
Mar 18 (r)	1,125	591	3,031	3,014	1,486	2,939	4,359	1,006	937	59	29,115
Jun 18 (r)	1,111	564	3,037	3,030	1,493	2,935	4,335	1,005	925	68	29,143
Sep 18 (r)	1,123	587	3,093	3,046	1,495	2,937	4,350	1,000	919	60	29,231
Dec 18 (r)	1,118	597	3,143	3,031	1,506	2,954	4,359	1,014	947	49	29,448
Mar 19 (r)	1,126	582	3,210	3,036	1,513	2,963	4,413	1,026	960	59	29,652
Jun 19 (r)	1,123	593	3,251	3,042	1,511	2,952	4,463	1,016	967	63	29,826
Sep 19 (p)	1,128	615	3,242	3,071	1,522	2,973	4,486	1,030	995	56	29,916
Change on quarter	5	22	-9	29	11	21	23	13	28	-7	90
Change %	0.4	3.7	-0.3	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.5	1.3	2.9	-11.0	0.3
Change on year	5	28	149	25	27	36	136	30	76	-4	685
Change %	0.4	4.7	4.8	0.8	1.8	1.2	3.1	3.0	8.3	-6.2	2.3

Workforce jobs enquiries 01633 456776

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

Sources: Employer surveys, Labour Force Survey and administrative sources

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										
Sept-Nov 2017		811	131	118	127	154	282			
Sept-Nov 2018	(r)	853	123	128	119	182	301			
Oct-Dec 2018		852	125	128	118	180	301			
Nov-Jan 2019		861	132	129	117	182	301			
Dec-Feb 2019		849	130	125	115	179	300			
Jan-Mar 2019		846	124	125	116	183	298			
Feb-Apr 2019		840	124	120	115	186	295			
Mar-May 2019		835	129	116	111	185	293			
Apr-Jun 2019		825	118	118	114	183	292			
May-Jul 2019		818	114	119	113	182	291			
Jun-Aug 2019	(r)	814	112	119	111	182	289			
Jul-Sept 2019	(r)	813	120	121	104	180	288			
Aug-Oct 2019	(r)	800	112	118	101	179	289			
Sept-Nov 2019	(p)	794	109	117	99	180	289			
Change on quarter	*	-20	-3	-3	-12	-2	0			
Change %	*	-2.4	-2.4	-2.1	-11.0	-1.0	-0.1			
Change on year		-59	-14	-12	-20	-2	-12			
Change %		-6.9	-11.1	-9.0	-16.7	-0.9	-4.0			

1. Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.

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

Source: ONS Vacancy Survey

Vacancy Survey enquiries: vacancy.survey@ons.gov.uk, 01633 456777

20 Vacancies¹ and Unemployment United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	All Vacancies ¹	Unemployment ²	Number of unemployed people per vacancy
	AP2Y	MGSC	JPC5
_evels			
Aug-Oct 2017	801	1,422	1.8
Aug-Oct 2018	853	1,373	1.6
Nov-Jan 2019	861	1,338	1.6
eb-Apr 2019	840	1,304	1.6
/lay-Jul 2019	818	1,294	1.6
Aug-Oct 2019 (r	800	1,281	1.6
change on quarter	-19	-13	0.0
Change %	-2.3	-1.0	
Change on year	-54	-93	0.0
Change %	-6.3	-6.8	

Source: ONS Vacancy Survey/ Labour Force Survey

Vacancy Survey enquiries: vacancy.survey@ons.gov.uk, 01633 456777

1. Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.

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

VACANCIES

21 Vacancies by industry

Standard Industrial Classification (2007)

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		All vacancies ¹	Mining & quarrying	Manu- facturing	Electricity, gas, steam & air conditioning supply ²	Water supply, sewerage, waste & remediation activities	Construction	Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles	Transport & storage	Accommoda- tion & food service activities	Information & communica- tion
SIC 2007 sections		B-S	В	С	D	E	F	G	н	1	J
		AP2Y	JP9H	JP9I	JP9J	JP9K	JP9L	JP9M	JP9N	JP9O	JP9P
Levels (thousands) Sept-Nov 2017)	811	1	56	4	4	27	141	34	91	40
Sept-Nov 2018	(r)	853	1	61	3	4	26	139	41	92	50
Oct-Dec 2018		852	1	62	3	4	27	139	39	93	51
Nov-Jan 2019		861	1	64	3	4	29	138	43	91	53
Dec-Feb 2019		849	1	61	3	4	28	138	44	89	52
Jan-Mar 2019		846	1	61	3	4	28	138	43	92	50
Feb-Apr 2019		840	2	56	4	4	27	138	42	93	48
Mar-May 2019		835	2	57	4	4	27	136	42	93	47
Apr-Jun 2019		825	2	56	4	4	27	134	41	89	44
May-Jul 2019		818	2	54	3	4	25	135	38	90	43
Jun-Aug 2019	(r)	814 813	2	54 52	3 3	4 3	24 25	129 132	35 33	94 96	43 43
Jul-Sept 2019	(r)		2			3					
Aug-Oct 2019	(r)	800	2	50	3	3	25	129	31	93	43
Sept-Nov 2019	(p)	794	1	49	3	4	26	130	33	90	41
Change on quarter		-20	0	-5	0	0	3	1	-2	-4	-1
Change %	*	-2.4	-12.5	-8.5	-6.1	-5.0	11.4	0.9	-5.7	-4.6	-3.1
Change on year		-59	0	-12	0	0	0	-9	-8	-3	-9
Change %		-6.9	7.7	-18.9	-3.1	-2.6	0.0	-6.2	-19.1	-2.7	-17.6
		AP2Z	JPA2	JPA3	JPA4	JPA5	JPA6	JPA7	JPA8	JPA9	JPB2
Vacancies per 100 Sept-Nov 2017	empioy	2.7	1.7	2.2	3.0	1.8	1.9	3.1	2.4	4.1	3.0
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Sept-Nov 2018	(r)	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.3	1.8	1.8	3.0	2.9	4.1	3.7
Oct-Dec 2018		2.8	2.6	2.5	2.2	1.8	1.8	3.0	2.7	4.1	3.7
Nov-Jan 2019		2.9	2.6	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.9	3.0	3.0	4.0	3.8
Dec-Feb 2019 Jan-Mar 2019		2.8 2.8	2.6 2.8	2.4 2.4	2.5 2.5	1.9 1.9	1.8	3.0	3.1	3.9	3.8
Jan-Mar 2019 Feb-Apr 2019		2.8	2.8	2.4	2.5	1.9	1.8 1.8	3.0 3.0	3.0 3.0	4.1 4.1	3.6 3.5
		2.8	3.0	2.2	2.6	1.8	1.8	2.9	3.0 2.9	4.1	3.5
Mar-May 2019 Apr-Jun 2019		2.8	3.2	2.3	2.5	2.0	1.8	2.9	2.9	4.1	3.4
May-Jul 2019		2.7	3.2	2.2	2.7	2.0	1.8	2.9	2.9	4.0	3.3
Jun-Aug 2019	(r)	2.7	3.2	2.1	2.5	2.0	1.7	2.9	2.7	4.0	3.2
Jul-Sept 2019	(r) (r)	2.7	3.2	2.1	2.4	1.5	1.0	2.8	2.3	4.2	3.2
Aug-Oct 2019	(r)	2.7	3.0	2.0	2.2	1.6	1.7	2.8	2.2	4.1	3.2
Sept-Nov 2019	(p)	2.6	2.8	2.0	2.2	1.8	1.8	2.8	2.3	4.0	3.0
Change on quarter	·	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1
Change on year		-0.2	0.2	-0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1	-0.6

		Financial & insurance activities	Real estate activities ²	Professional scientific & technical activities	Administrative & support service activities	Public admin & defence; compulsory social security	Education	Human health & social work activities	Arts, entertainment & recreation	Other service activities	Total services
SIC 2007 sections		к	L	м	N	0	Р	Q	R	S	G-S
	_	JP9Q	JP9R	JP9S	JP9T	JP9U	JP9V	JP9W	JP9X	JP9Y	JP9Z
Levels (thousands))										
Sept-Nov 2017		40	10	73	53	17	52	126	21	21	719
Sept-Nov 2018	(r)	38	12	79	54	24	50	130	23	25	758
Oct-Dec 2018		38	13	77	52	23	51	131	23	25	754
Nov-Jan 2019		37	15	80	53	21	49	132	23	25	759
Dec-Feb 2019		36	14	81	50	20	50	132	22	25	751
Jan-Mar 2019		34	12	80	49	20	51	134	23	23	749
Feb-Apr 2019		34	11	79	51	21	52	135	22	21	747
Mar-May 2019		33	10	79	50	22	52	136	21	21	742
Apr-Jun 2019		34	12	78	50	22	53	137	20	19	733
May-Jul 2019		33	11	79	48	22	52	138	23	19	730
Jun-Aug 2019	(r)	33	11	79	52	22	51	138	23	19	727
Jul-Sept 2019	(r)	32	10	81	55	22	49	137	19	20	728
Aug-Oct 2019	(r)	31 31	11 11	82 77	54 53	23 23	48 50	136 137	17 16	19 18	717 711
Sept-Nov 2019	(p)										
Change on quarter	•	-2	0	-2	1	1	-1	-1	-7	-1	-17
Change %	*	-6.3	2.8	-2.2	1.3	4.9	-1.2	-0.7	-29.3	-3.7	-2.3
Change on year		-7	-1	-2	-1	0	0	6	-8	-7	-47
Change %		-17.3	-10.5	-2.5	-2.4	-1.7	0.4	4.8	-32.1	-26.5	-6.2
		JPB3	JPB4	JPB5	JPB6	JPB7	JPB8	JPB9	JPC2	JPC3	JPC4
Vacancies per 100	employ	/ee jobs									
Sept-Nov 2017		3.8	1.9	2.9	2.0	1.3	2.0	3.2	2.8	3.5	2.8
Sept-Nov 2018	(r)	3.6	2.4	3.1	2.1	1.8	1.9	3.2	3.1	4.2	2.9
Oct-Dec 2018		3.7	2.6	3.1	2.0	1.8	1.9	3.2	2.9	4.1	2.9
Nov-Jan 2019		3.6	2.9	3.2	2.0	1.6	1.8	3.3	3.0	4.2	2.9
Dec-Feb 2019		3.4	2.8	3.2	1.9	1.5	1.9	3.3	2.8	4.1	2.9
Jan-Mar 2019		3.2	2.3	3.2	1.9	1.6	1.9	3.3	3.0	3.9	2.9
Feb-Apr 2019		3.2	2.1	3.2	1.9	1.7	1.9	3.3	2.8	3.5	2.9
Mar-May 2019		3.2	2.0	3.2	1.9	1.7	1.9	3.4	2.7	3.4	2.9
Apr-Jun 2019		3.2	2.3	3.1	1.9	1.7	2.0	3.4	2.6	3.2	2.8
May-Jul 2019	()	3.2	2.1	3.1	1.8	1.7	2.0	3.4	2.9	3.1	2.8
Jun-Aug 2019	(r)	3.2	2.1	3.1	2.0	1.7	1.9	3.4	2.9	3.2	2.8
Jul-Sept 2019	(r)	3.1	1.9	3.2	2.1	1.7	1.8	3.4	2.5	3.3	2.8
Aug-Oct 2019	(r)	3.0	2.2	3.3	2.0	1.8	1.8	3.4	2.2	3.1	2.8
Sept-Nov 2019	(p)	3.0	2.2	3.1	2.0	1.8	1.9	3.4	2.1	3.1	2.8
Change on quarter	*	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1
Change on year		-0.6	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	-1.0	-1.1	-0.2
1. Excludes Agricultu				T I ()		the best estimate of a				Source: ONS Va	cancy Survey

 Excludes Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing.
Not seasonally adjusted. These series do not display seasonality. Therefore the unadjusted series is the best estimate of a 'seasonally adjusted' series. Vacancy Survey enquiries: vacancy.survey@ons.gov.uk, 01633 456777

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