



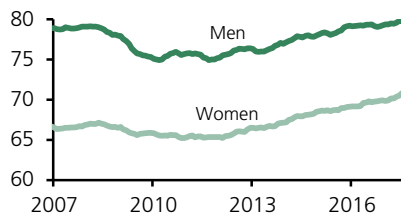
C1: Employment

32.14 million people were in employment in May-July 2017, up 181,000 from the previous quarter and 379,000 from the previous year. The employment rate (the proportion of the population aged 16-64 in work) was 75.3%, up 0.8% points on the previous year.

Employment; UK
Millions, age 16+, seasonally adjusted



Employment Rate; UK
%, age 16-64, seasonally adjusted



As the charts show employment has been growing strongly over the past few years, with the employment rate at a record high in May-July 2017.¹

Female employment increased by 131,000 over the last quarter to 15.12 million. The employment rate for women aged 16-64 was 70.8%.

17.02 million men were in work in May-July 2017, 50,000 higher than the previous quarter. The employment rate for men aged 16-64 was 79.8%.

4.85 million people were self-employed, 43,000 more than the previous quarter. The number of people working as employees was up 147,000 on the previous quarter at 27.10 million.

23.60 million people were working full-time in May-July 2017, up 96,000 from the previous quarter and 349,000 higher than a year earlier. There were 8.54 million people working part-time, up 86,000 from the previous quarter and 30,000 higher than a year earlier.

1.60 million people were employed on a temporary basis, slightly more than in the previous quarter but down 59,000 from the previous year.

UK Employment

Seasonally adjusted

Age:	Total		Men		Women		Youth		
	000's	%	000's	%	000's	%	000's	%	
16+	16-64	16+	16-64	16+	16-64	16-24	16-24		
May-Jul 2014	30,704	72.8	16,324	77.7	14,380	67.9	3,785	51.9	
May-Jul 2015	31,191	73.5	16,587	78.3	14,603	68.7	3,909	53.8	
May-Jul 2016	31,757	74.5	16,904	79.3	14,853	69.8	3,936	54.7	
Feb-Apr 2017	31,954	74.8	16,970	79.5	14,984	70.2	3,942	55.3	
May-Jul 2017	32,136	75.3	17,021	79.8	15,115	70.8	3,915	55.1	
<i>Change on qtr</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>181</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>131</i>	<i>0.7</i>	<i>-27</i>	<i>-0.2</i>
	<i>%</i>	<i>0.6%</i>	<i>0.3%</i>	<i>0.9%</i>	<i>-0.7%</i>				
<i>Change on yr</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>379</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>116</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>262</i>	<i>1.1</i>	<i>-21</i>	<i>0.4</i>
	<i>%</i>	<i>1.2%</i>	<i>0.7%</i>	<i>1.8%</i>	<i>-0.5%</i>				

Source: ONS Labour Market Statistics, Tables A05 and A06

Notes: The employment rate is a percentage of the population aged 16 to 64

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Updates

ONS, [Labour Market Statistics](#), 18 October 2017

¹ Since records began in 1971.