

# **Unemployment by Constituency**

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This paper shows the number of unemployed claimants recorded as resident in each constituency in the United Kingdom in July 1997, together with comparisons with the level a year ago.

Official unemployment rates for parliamentary constituencies only exist for those few constituencies that are self-contained labour markets. This paper also presents up-to-date residence-based unemployment rates not published elsewhere for all 659 constituencies in the United Kingdom (the constituencies on which the general election was contested). These rates are calculated using figures for the number of claimants from the monthly count and data for the economically active population from the 1991 Census of Population.

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## I Introduction

Official monthly unemployment rates for parliamentary constituencies only exist for those few constituencies that are self-contained labour markets. This paper presents up-to-date unemployment rates not published elsewhere. These use figures for the number of unemployed claimants from the monthly count and figures for the number of people economically active derived from the 1991 Census of Population.

These residence-based rates should be regarded more as a social measure of relative deprivation than as an economic measure of the mismatch between the supply of and demand for labour, as they take no account of people's ability to seek work outside the constituency in which they live. For a full exposition of the methodology used to calculate these rates, see Research Paper 96/63, *New Unemployment Rates for Parliamentary Constituencies*.

Also shown in the paper are comparisons between the level of unemployment in each constituency presently with that in the same month last year. Data for the current constituencies are not available prior to January 1996.

Notes to tables:

1. The Boundary Commission reviews in 1995 defined 659 constituencies in the United Kingdom. These were defined in terms of electoral wards as they stood at the time of the review. For the purposes of the unemployment statistics however, constituencies represent a best-fit of frozen 1991 wards to the new constituencies.

Boundary alterations between 1991 and 1995 mean that there will inevitably be approximations to 1995 boundaries in many constituencies. In a number of cases however the changes to ward boundaries were substantial and some wards are now split between new constituencies. These constituencies are indicated with an asterisk in the following tables.

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2. The political parties shown against each party are as they stand currently. The following abbreviations for parties have been used:

LAB	Labour	UUP	Ulster Unionist Party
CON	Conservative	DUP	Democratic Unionist Party
LD	Liberal Democrat	SDLP	Social Democratic and Labour Party
PC	Plaid Cymru	UKU	United Kingdom Unionist
SNP	Scottish National Party	SF	Sinn Fein
SPKR	Speaker	VAC	Vacant Seat
IND	Independent		

3. One seat is presently vacant: Paisley South.

**II Residence-based unemployment rates by parliamentary constituency,  
United Kindom, July 1997  
A. (not seasonally adjusted) - alphabetical listing**

Rank by overall unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate				
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
234		18			Aberavon	LAB	1,356	403	1,759	8.7%	3.6%	6.6%
243			39		Aberdeen Central	LAB	1,528	528	2,056	8.7%	3.7%	6.4%
523			69		Aberdeen North	LAB	869	289	1,158	4.3%	1.8%	3.2%
499			67		Aberdeen South	LAB	978	386	1,364	4.3%	2.2%	3.4%
131			18		Airdrie & Shotts	LAB	2,291	697	2,988	10.9%	4.6%	8.2%
640	510				Aldershot	CON	854	297	1,151	2.3%	1.1%	1.8%
444	326				Aldridge - Brownhills	CON	1,239	441	1,680	5.1%	2.5%	4.0%
514	389				Altrincham & Sale West	CON	1,082	361	1,443	4.4%	1.9%	3.3%
448		38			Alyn & Deeside	LAB	1,102	357	1,459	5.2%	2.3%	4.0%
428	313				Amber Valley	LAB	1,440	496	1,936	5.4%	2.6%	4.2%
213			37		Angus	SNP	1,798	755	2,553	8.5%	4.7%	6.9%
276			42		Argyll & Bute	LD	1,398	432	1,830	7.9%	3.4%	6.0%
642	512				Arundel & South Downs	CON	507	191	698	2.3%	1.2%	1.8%
264	187				Ashfield	LAB	2,118	613	2,731	8.2%	3.3%	6.1%
436	319				Ashford	CON	1,458	451	1,909	5.4%	2.3%	4.1%
329	231				Ashton under Lyne	LAB	1,980	556	2,536	7.3%	2.7%	5.3%
584	455				Aylesbury	CON	1,051	366	1,417	3.3%	1.5%	2.5%
164			30		Ayr	LAB	1,783	656	2,439	10.0%	4.9%	7.8%
611	481				Banbury	CON	847	307	1,154	2.7%	1.4%	2.2%
488			66		Banff & Buchan	SNP	925	358	1,283	4.1%	2.5%	3.5%
102	79				Barking *	LAB	1,975	671	2,646	11.1%	5.4%	8.8%
190	128				Barnsley Central	LAB	2,182	550	2,732	10.2%	3.5%	7.3%
165	113				Barnsley East & Mexborough	LAB	2,332	624	2,956	10.4%	4.0%	7.8%
274	195				Barnsley West & Penistone	LAB	1,697	539	2,236	7.9%	3.4%	6.0%
253	178				Barrow & Furness	LAB	2,206	546	2,752	8.6%	3.0%	6.3%
345	243				Basildon	LAB	1,973	672	2,645	6.6%	3.1%	5.2%
601	471				Basingstoke *	CON	984	316	1,300	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
265	188				Bassetlaw	LAB	1,976	581	2,557	8.1%	3.4%	6.1%
303	214				Bath *>	LD	1,780	615	2,395	7.6%	3.2%	5.7%
354	251				Batley & Spen	LAB	1,672	458	2,130	6.9%	2.6%	5.1%
193	130				Battersea	LAB	2,610	1,012	3,622	9.7%	4.3%	7.2%
643	513				Beaconsfield	CON	577	255	832	2.1%	1.3%	1.8%
362	259				Beckenham	CON	1,884	616	2,500	6.8%	2.8%	5.0%
293	205				Bedford	LAB	1,973	670	2,643	7.6%	3.4%	5.8%
159				12	Belfast East	DU	2,300	628	2,928	11.0%	3.9%	7.9%
21				3	Belfast North	UU	3,466	754	4,220	19.1%	5.9%	13.6%
51				8	Belfast South	UU	2,941	1,396	4,337	13.6%	7.6%	10.8%
8				1	Belfast West	SF	4,918	770	5,688	24.1%	5.4%	16.4%
326	229				Berwick-upon-Tweed	LD	1,332	411	1,743	7.0%	3.0%	5.3%
11	9				Bethnal Green & Bow	LAB	5,031	1,394	6,425	20.1%	8.5%	15.5%
396	287				Beverley & Holderness	CON	1,393	564	1,957	5.6%	3.1%	4.5%
470	350				Bexhill & Battle	CON	876	309	1,185	4.8%	2.2%	3.7%
423	309				Bexleyheath & Crayford	LAB	1,287	515	1,802	5.3%	2.9%	4.3%
449	330				Billericay	CON	1,454	482	1,936	5.1%	2.4%	4.0%
30	23				Birkenhead	LAB	3,844	975	4,819	18.2%	6.1%	13.0%
120	90				Birmingham, Edgbaston	LAB	2,612	819	3,431	11.4%	4.6%	8.4%
98	75				Birmingham, Erdington	LAB	3,153	865	4,018	12.1%	4.7%	9.1%
198	135				Birmingham, Hall Green	LAB	2,001	623	2,624	9.4%	3.9%	7.1%
50	39				Birmingham, Hodge Hill	LAB	2,847	744	3,591	14.7%	5.6%	11.0%
1	1				Birmingham, Ladywood	LAB	6,331	1,780	8,111	25.8%	10.6%	19.6%
177	120				Birmingham, Northfield	LAB	1,921	597	2,518	10.2%	4.2%	7.6%
89	67				Birmingham, Perry Barr	LAB	3,207	996	4,203	12.6%	5.2%	9.4%
149	108				Birmingham, Selly Oak	LAB	2,605	881	3,486	10.7%	4.6%	8.0%
6	6				Birmingham, Sparkbrook & Small Heath	LAB	5,454	1,626	7,080	20.9%	10.4%	17.0%
194	131				Birmingham, Yardley	LAB	1,836	541	2,377	9.5%	3.8%	7.1%
267	189				Bishop Auckland	LAB	1,977	497	2,474	8.5%	2.9%	6.1%
625	495				Blaby	CON	679	280	959	2.5%	1.4%	2.0%
233	164				Blackburn	LAB	2,318	551	2,869	9.1%	3.0%	6.6%
334	236				Blackpool North & Fleetwood	LAB	1,769	457	2,226	7.5%	2.4%	5.3%
254	179				Blackpool South	LAB	2,393	563	2,956	9.1%	2.7%	6.3%

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113		3			Blaenau Gwent	LAB	1,988	553	2,541	11.3%	4.6%	8.5%
291	204				Blaydon	LAB	1,811	521	2,332	8.0%	3.0%	5.8%
241	171				Blyth Valley	LAB	1,946	603	2,549	8.8%	3.5%	6.5%
516	391				Bognor Regis & Littlehampton	CON	897	279	1,176	4.4%	1.8%	3.3%
285	199				Bolsover	LAB	1,803	480	2,283	7.9%	3.0%	5.9%
320	226				Bolton North East	LAB	1,894	431	2,325	7.7%	2.3%	5.4%
273	194				Bolton South East	LAB	1,921	502	2,423	8.3%	2.9%	6.0%
538	412				Bolton West	LAB	905	313	1,218	4.0%	1.8%	3.1%
35	28				Bootle	LAB	3,495	797	4,292	17.5%	5.4%	12.4%
464	344				Boston & Skegness	CON	1,062	389	1,451	4.7%	2.4%	3.7%
620	490				Bosworth	CON	633	292	925	2.5%	1.5%	2.0%
296	208				Bournemouth East	CON	1,612	449	2,061	8.0%	2.8%	5.7%
183	123				Bournemouth West	CON	1,983	525	2,508	10.3%	3.7%	7.5%
637	507				Bracknell	CON	800	260	1,060	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
91	68				Bradford North	LAB	3,077	831	3,908	12.8%	4.7%	9.4%
246	174				Bradford South	LAB	2,310	614	2,924	9.0%	3.1%	6.4%
36	29				Bradford West	LAB	3,692	1,116	4,808	15.7%	7.0%	12.2%
465	345				Braintree	LAB	1,244	485	1,729	4.5%	2.5%	3.7%
431		35			Brecon & Radnorshire	LD	891	354	1,245	5.1%	2.9%	4.2%
45	36				Brent East	LAB	3,616	1,262	4,878	15.2%	6.6%	11.3%
260	183				Brent North	LAB	1,641	677	2,318	7.7%	4.2%	6.2%
34	27				Brent South	LAB	4,169	1,374	5,543	16.8%	6.9%	12.4%
337	238				Brentford & Isleworth	LAB	2,131	884	3,015	6.7%	3.4%	5.2%
589	460				Brentwood & Ongar	CON	808	277	1,085	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%
321		27			Bridgend	LAB	1,344	503	1,847	6.9%	3.4%	5.4%
336	237				Bridgwater	CON	1,671	522	2,193	6.8%	3.0%	5.2%
343	241				Brigg & Goole	LAB	1,517	487	2,004	6.6%	3.1%	5.2%
94	71				Brighton, Kemptown	LAB	2,734	881	3,615	12.2%	5.2%	9.2%
48	38				Brighton, Pavilion	LAB	3,381	1,307	4,688	14.5%	7.0%	11.2%
186	125				Bristol East	LAB	2,668	780	3,448	10.0%	3.8%	7.4%
331	233				Bristol North West	LAB	1,958	537	2,495	7.3%	2.6%	5.3%
208	143				Bristol South	LAB	2,807	705	3,512	9.7%	3.3%	7.0%
211	146				Bristol West	LAB	2,547	976	3,523	9.1%	4.3%	6.9%
481	360				Bromley & Chislehurst	CON	1,225	416	1,641	4.7%	2.1%	3.6%
502	377				Bromsgrove	CON	1,121	478	1,599	4.2%	2.4%	3.4%
510	385				Broxbourne	CON	1,129	405	1,534	4.2%	2.1%	3.3%
471	351				Broxtowe	LAB	1,308	466	1,774	4.8%	2.2%	3.7%
648	518				Buckingham	CON	497	186	683	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
462	342				Burnley	LAB	1,232	361	1,593	5.2%	1.9%	3.8%
359	256				Burton	LAB	1,737	573	2,310	6.5%	3.0%	5.0%
567	438				Bury North	LAB	946	326	1,272	3.6%	1.6%	2.8%
460	340				Bury South	LAB	1,201	410	1,611	5.1%	2.2%	3.8%
550	423				Bury St Edmunds	CON	947	403	1,350	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
150		9			Caermarfon	PC	1,595	460	2,055	10.5%	4.3%	8.0%
191		16			Caerphilly	LAB	2,132	559	2,691	10.0%	3.6%	7.3%
107			14		Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross	LD	1,728	448	2,176	11.3%	4.5%	8.6%
432	316				Calder Valley	LAB	1,493	531	2,024	5.5%	2.5%	4.2%
12	10				Camberwell & Peckham	LAB	4,082	1,477	5,559	19.8%	8.7%	14.8%
349	247				Cambridge	LAB	1,543	534	2,077	6.7%	3.0%	5.1%
426	311				Cannock Chase	LAB	1,460	513	1,973	5.4%	2.7%	4.3%
358	255				Canterbury	CON	1,595	513	2,108	6.7%	2.8%	5.0%
118		4			Cardiff Central	LAB	2,135	729	2,864	11.3%	4.8%	8.4%
473		39			Cardiff North	LAB	910	297	1,207	5.0%	2.0%	3.6%
112		2			Cardiff South & Penarth	LAB	2,516	593	3,109	12.1%	3.8%	8.5%
138		8			Cardiff West	LAB	2,301	589	2,890	11.5%	3.8%	8.2%
313	221				Carlisle	LAB	1,678	461	2,139	7.8%	2.7%	5.5%
323		28			Cardiff East & Dinefwr	LAB	1,147	369	1,516	6.8%	3.2%	5.3%
179		14			Cardiff West & South Pembrokeshire	LAB	1,822	479	2,301	10.2%	3.8%	7.6%
182			34		Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley	LAB	2,311	708	3,019	9.9%	4.2%	7.5%
446	328				Carshalton & Wallington	LD	1,339	466	1,805	5.3%	2.4%	4.0%

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Rank by overall unemployment rate					Party	Claimants			Rate			
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI		Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
437	320				Castle Point	LAB	1,305	477	1,782	5.1%	2.7%	4.1%
121			17		Central Fife	LAB	2,206	735	2,941	11.1%	4.8%	8.4%
492	369				Central Suffolk & North Ipswich	CON	1,089	375	1,464	4.4%	2.2%	3.5%
292		25			Ceredigion	PC	1,122	470	1,592	6.9%	4.1%	5.8%
607	477				Charnwood	CON	769	326	1,095	2.8%	1.5%	2.2%
412	298				Chatham & Aylesford	LAB	1,687	491	2,178	5.8%	2.4%	4.4%
605	475				Cheadle	CON	710	258	968	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
346	244				Cheltenham	LD	1,721	540	2,261	7.0%	2.8%	5.1%
654	524				Chesham & Amersham	CON	525	169	694	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
377	272				Chester, City of	LAB	1,550	485	2,035	6.4%	2.7%	4.8%
226	158				Chesterfield	LAB	2,290	669	2,959	9.0%	3.5%	6.7%
591	462				Chichester	CON	804	281	1,085	3.3%	1.5%	2.5%
389	281				Chingford & Woodford Green	CON	1,333	507	1,840	5.9%	3.0%	4.7%
430	315				Chipping Barnet	CON	1,368	562	1,930	5.3%	2.8%	4.2%
500	376				Chorley	LAB	1,281	382	1,663	4.6%	1.8%	3.4%
553	425				Christchurch	CON	692	254	946	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
288	202				Cities of London & Westminster	CON	2,368	931	3,299	7.6%	3.7%	5.8%
222	154				Cleethorpes	LAB	2,137	699	2,836	8.6%	4.1%	6.7%
410		34			Clwyd South *>	LAB	1,008	333	1,341	5.6%	2.7%	4.4%
375		33			Clwyd West <*	LAB	1,104	302	1,406	6.7%	2.4%	4.9%
136			19		Clydebank & Milngavie	LAB	1,983	501	2,484	11.6%	3.8%	8.2%
280			46		Clydesdale	LAB	1,787	510	2,297	8.0%	3.1%	5.9%
152			23		Coatbridge & Chryston	LAB	1,804	581	2,385	10.5%	4.5%	7.9%
422	308				Colchester	LD	1,509	543	2,052	5.4%	2.7%	4.3%
421	307				Colne Valley	LAB	1,486	520	2,006	5.6%	2.6%	4.3%
569	440				Congleton	CON	848	317	1,165	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
126		6			Conwy	LAB	1,866	510	2,376	11.6%	4.0%	8.3%
170	117				Copeland	LAB	2,099	578	2,677	10.3%	4.1%	7.8%
486	364				Corby	LAB	1,247	403	1,650	4.7%	2.0%	3.5%
635	505				Cotswold	CON	550	220	770	2.4%	1.3%	1.9%
148	107				Coventry North East	LAB	2,950	850	3,800	10.7%	4.2%	8.0%
312	220				Coventry North West	LAB	2,050	710	2,760	7.2%	3.3%	5.6%
206	141				Coventry South	LAB	2,278	665	2,943	9.4%	3.7%	7.0%
558	430				Crawley	LAB	1,013	334	1,347	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
378	273				Crewe & Nantwich	LAB	1,577	492	2,069	6.4%	2.7%	4.8%
250	176				Crosby	LAB	1,653	556	2,209	8.5%	3.6%	6.3%
256	180				Croydon Central	LAB	2,692	859	3,551	8.4%	3.4%	6.2%
122	91				Croydon North	LAB	3,615	1,293	4,908	11.1%	5.0%	8.4%
537	411				Croydon South	CON	1,151	405	1,556	4.0%	1.8%	3.1%
277			43		Cumbernauld & Kilsyth	LAB	1,426	504	1,930	7.9%	3.5%	6.0%
140			20		Cunninghame North	LAB	1,892	637	2,529	10.5%	4.9%	8.1%
90			13		Cunninghame South	LAB	2,168	786	2,954	12.1%	5.9%	9.4%
172		11			Cynon Valley	LAB	1,629	422	2,051	10.6%	3.8%	7.7%
271	192				Dagenham	LAB	1,660	516	2,176	7.9%	3.4%	6.0%
141	103				Darlington	LAB	2,620	708	3,328	11.2%	4.0%	8.1%
381	275				Dartford	LAB	1,675	525	2,200	6.3%	2.7%	4.7%
604	474				Daventry	CON	816	376	1,192	2.6%	1.7%	2.2%
440		37			Delyn	LAB	1,003	318	1,321	5.4%	2.3%	4.1%
419	305				Denton & Reddish	LAB	1,496	481	1,977	5.8%	2.4%	4.3%
268	190				Derby North	LAB	2,188	675	2,863	8.1%	3.4%	6.1%
81	62				Derby South	LAB	3,502	1,032	4,534	12.6%	5.2%	9.5%
588	459				Devizes	CON	925	359	1,284	3.1%	1.7%	2.5%
355	252				Dewsbury	LAB	1,502	431	1,933	6.8%	2.7%	5.1%
218	152				Don Valley	LAB	2,112	568	2,680	9.1%	3.5%	6.8%
65	48				Doncaster Central	LAB	3,268	867	4,135	13.9%	5.2%	10.3%
115	88				Doncaster North	LAB	2,500	588	3,088	11.6%	4.0%	8.5%
214	148				Dover	LAB	2,310	626	2,936	9.3%	3.5%	6.9%
229	161				Dudley North	LAB	2,212	678	2,890	8.6%	3.9%	6.6%
356	253				Dudley South	LAB	1,660	562	2,222	6.5%	3.1%	5.1%
77	58				Dulwich & West Norwood	LAB	3,523	1,392	4,915	13.1%	6.0%	9.8%



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169			31		Dumbarton	LAB	2,269	634	2,903	10.6%	4.0%	7.8%
279			45		Dumfries	LAB	1,750	604	2,354	7.8%	3.5%	6.0%
63			8		Dundee East	LAB	2,911	878	3,789	14.4%	5.4%	10.4%
70			9		Dundee West	LAB	2,561	765	3,326	14.5%	5.0%	10.1%
156			27		Dunfermline East	LAB	1,908	599	2,507	10.3%	4.5%	7.9%
278			44		Dunfermline West	LAB	1,471	492	1,963	7.8%	3.5%	6.0%
305	215				Durham, City of	LAB	1,615	545	2,160	7.5%	3.2%	5.6%
302	213				Ealing North *	LAB	2,234	803	3,037	7.5%	3.4%	5.7%
224	156				Ealing Southall	LAB	2,828	988	3,816	8.9%	3.9%	6.7%
86	66				Ealing, Acton & Shepherd's Bush	LAB	3,787	1,389	5,176	12.6%	5.6%	9.4%
242	172				Easington	LAB	1,811	409	2,220	9.2%	2.8%	6.5%
187			13		East Antrim	UU	2,216	738	2,954	9.4%	4.4%	7.3%
529	403				East Devon	CON	784	278	1,062	4.1%	1.9%	3.2%
40	32				East Ham	LAB	3,867	1,189	5,056	14.9%	7.0%	11.8%
575	446				East Hampshire	CON	1,000	315	1,315	3.5%	1.5%	2.6%
341			54		East Kilbride	LAB	1,652	621	2,273	6.8%	3.2%	5.2%
49			7		East Londonderry	UU	2,903	935	3,838	13.7%	6.9%	11.0%
403			60		East Lothian	LAB	1,169	354	1,523	6.0%	2.4%	4.5%
645	515				East Surrey	CON	660	224	884	2.3%	1.0%	1.8%
540	414				East Worthing & Shoreham	CON	967	338	1,305	4.0%	1.8%	3.0%
333	235				East Yorkshire	CON	1,564	509	2,073	6.8%	3.1%	5.3%
383	277				Eastbourne	CON	1,369	440	1,809	6.5%	2.5%	4.7%
614	484				Eastleigh	LD	775	244	1,019	2.9%	1.2%	2.2%
424			63		Eastwood	LAB	1,224	513	1,737	5.3%	2.9%	4.3%
371	268				Eccles	LAB	1,680	465	2,145	6.8%	2.5%	4.9%
497	374				Eddisbury	CON	1,004	361	1,365	4.3%	2.2%	3.4%
153			24		Edinburgh Central	LAB	1,976	723	2,699	10.9%	4.5%	7.9%
301			48		Edinburgh East & Musselburgh	LAB	1,636	390	2,026	8.4%	2.4%	5.7%
175			32		Edinburgh North & Leith	LAB	2,409	773	3,182	10.8%	4.0%	7.6%
327			53		Edinburgh Pentlands	LAB	1,478	495	1,973	7.3%	2.9%	5.3%
252			40		Edinburgh South	LAB	1,507	572	2,079	8.5%	3.7%	6.3%
453			64		Edinburgh West	LD	1,254	359	1,613	5.5%	1.9%	3.9%
104	81				Edmonton	LAB	2,741	944	3,685	11.3%	5.2%	8.7%
382	276				Ellesmere Port & Neston	LAB	1,532	479	2,011	6.3%	2.7%	4.7%
490	367				Elmet	LAB	1,185	407	1,592	4.6%	2.0%	3.5%
196	133				Eltham	LAB	2,002	623	2,625	9.6%	3.9%	7.1%
258	181				Enfield North	LAB	2,137	706	2,843	8.2%	3.6%	6.2%
300	212				Enfield, Southgate	LAB	1,726	682	2,408	7.2%	3.7%	5.7%
472	352				Epping Forest	CON	1,212	480	1,692	4.5%	2.4%	3.6%
630	500				Epsom & Ewell	CON	714	239	953	2.6%	1.1%	2.0%
414	300				Erewash	LAB	1,723	526	2,249	5.8%	2.4%	4.4%
72	54				Erith & Thamesmead	LAB	3,321	1,117	4,438	13.0%	6.0%	10.0%
622	492				Esher & Walton	CON	719	258	977	2.6%	1.3%	2.0%
322	227				Exeter	LAB	2,024	645	2,669	7.4%	2.9%	5.4%
290			47		Falkirk East	LAB	1,602	519	2,121	7.8%	3.3%	5.8%
203			36		Falkirk West	LAB	1,735	568	2,303	9.4%	4.0%	7.0%
168	116				Falmouth & Camborne	LAB	2,362	699	3,061	10.3%	4.3%	7.8%
608	478				Fareham	CON	710	270	980	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%
459	339				Faversham & Mid Kent	CON	1,229	432	1,661	4.8%	2.4%	3.8%
314	222				Feltham & Heston	LAB	2,074	673	2,747	7.2%	3.2%	5.5%
46			6		Fermanagh & South Tyrone	UU	2,935	964	3,899	13.5%	7.6%	11.3%
317	224				Finchley & Golders Green	LAB	1,902	842	2,744	6.7%	3.8%	5.4%
147	106				Folkestone & Hythe	CON	2,651	680	3,331	10.9%	3.9%	8.0%
506	381				Forest of Dean	LAB	904	398	1,302	3.9%	2.5%	3.4%
10			2		Foyle	SDLP	4,882	1,184	6,066	21.2%	7.9%	16.0%
602	472				Fylde	CON	723	225	948	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
391	283				Gainsborough	CON	1,230	509	1,739	5.5%	3.3%	4.6%
255			41		Galloway & Upper Nithsdale	SNP	1,501	488	1,989	8.0%	3.7%	6.2%
262	185				Gateshead East & Washington West	LAB	2,007	551	2,558	8.5%	3.1%	6.2%
415	301				Gedling	LAB	1,470	537	2,007	5.7%	2.6%	4.4%

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386	280				Gillingham	LAB	1,635	610	2,245	5.8%	3.1%	4.7%
75			10		Glasgow Anniesland	LAB	2,112	521	2,633	14.5%	4.3%	9.8%
58			6		Glasgow Baillieston	LAB	2,661	640	3,301	15.0%	4.8%	10.6%
161			28		Glasgow Cathcart	LAB	1,717	545	2,262	10.8%	4.2%	7.8%
55			5		Glasgow Govan	LAB	2,725	741	3,466	15.0%	5.2%	10.7%
37			4		Glasgow Kelvin	LAB	2,743	987	3,730	16.1%	7.2%	12.1%
13			1		Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	3,416	1,067	4,483	19.9%	8.0%	14.7%
62			7		Glasgow Pollok	LAB	2,478	649	3,127	14.7%	5.0%	10.5%
154			25		Glasgow Rutherglen	LAB	1,707	485	2,192	10.9%	4.0%	7.9%
24			2		Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	2,590	583	3,173	18.8%	6.0%	13.5%
28			3		Glasgow Springburn	LAB	2,992	805	3,797	18.7%	6.2%	13.1%
318	225				Gloucester	LAB	2,158	664	2,822	7.4%	2.9%	5.4%
565			71		Gordon	LD	695	338	1,033	3.1%	2.2%	2.8%
475	354				Gosport	CON	1,193	453	1,646	4.5%	2.4%	3.6%
340		31			Gower	LAB	1,219	424	1,643	6.8%	3.1%	5.2%
489	366				Grantham & Stamford	CON	1,055	456	1,511	4.2%	2.5%	3.5%
309	217				Gravesham	LAB	1,985	593	2,578	7.3%	3.1%	5.6%
71	53				Great Grimsby	LAB	3,355	816	4,171	13.7%	4.8%	10.1%
132	98				Great Yarmouth	LAB	2,592	758	3,350	10.8%	4.5%	8.2%
221			38		Greenock & Inverclyde	LAB	1,504	477	1,981	9.2%	3.6%	6.7%
41	33				Greenwich & Woolwich	LAB	3,631	1,263	4,894	15.5%	6.9%	11.8%
639	509				Guildford	CON	710	233	943	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
4	4				Hackney North & Stoke Newington	LAB	5,426	2,072	7,498	22.6%	11.1%	17.6%
3	3				Hackney South & Shoreditch	LAB	5,716	1,935	7,651	24.3%	10.1%	17.9%
352	249				Halesowen & Rowley Regis	LAB	1,649	508	2,157	6.7%	2.9%	5.1%
215	149				Halifax	LAB	2,548	654	3,202	9.8%	3.2%	6.9%
535	409				Haltemprice & Howden	CON	837	383	1,220	3.7%	2.3%	3.1%
174	119				Halton	LAB	2,305	691	2,996	10.1%	4.2%	7.6%
144			21		Hamilton North & Bellshill	LAB	2,151	651	2,802	10.7%	4.4%	8.0%
176			33		Hamilton South	LAB	1,616	457	2,073	10.4%	3.9%	7.6%
158	110				Hammersmith & Fulham	LAB	3,309	1,511	4,820	10.3%	5.2%	7.9%
124	93				Hampstead & Highgate	LAB	2,766	1,383	4,149	10.5%	6.0%	8.4%
581	452				Harborough	CON	795	365	1,160	3.1%	1.8%	2.5%
407	294				Harlow	LAB	1,473	517	1,990	5.7%	2.7%	4.4%
528	402				Harrogate & Knaresborough	LD	928	364	1,292	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
368	265				Harrow East	LAB	1,832	788	2,620	6.1%	3.4%	4.9%
455	335				Harrow West	LAB	1,367	541	1,908	5.0%	2.5%	3.9%
59	45				Hartlepool	LAB	3,429	841	4,270	14.5%	5.0%	10.5%
197	134				Harwich	LAB	1,986	534	2,520	9.6%	3.6%	7.1%
157	109				Hastings & Rye	LAB	2,649	689	3,338	11.0%	3.8%	7.9%
385	279				Havant	CON	1,630	394	2,024	6.5%	2.1%	4.7%
366	263				Hayes & Harlington	LAB	1,527	520	2,047	6.4%	3.0%	5.0%
563	435				Hazel Grove	LD	889	278	1,167	3.8%	1.5%	2.8%
580	451				Hemel Hempstead	LAB	945	324	1,269	3.4%	1.6%	2.6%
282	197				Hemsworth	LAB	1,848	547	2,395	7.9%	3.2%	5.9%
259	182				Hendon	LAB	2,224	848	3,072	7.9%	3.9%	6.2%
656	526				Henley	CON	490	185	675	1.9%	1.0%	1.5%
405	293				Hereford *>	LD	1,390	538	1,928	5.6%	2.9%	4.5%
627	497				Hertford & Stortford	CON	704	278	982	2.5%	1.3%	2.0%
571	442				Hertsmere	CON	858	329	1,187	3.4%	1.8%	2.7%
498	375				Hexham	CON	889	318	1,207	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
295	207				Heywood & Middleton	LAB	2,137	614	2,751	7.9%	2.9%	5.7%
504	379				High Peak	LAB	1,204	375	1,579	4.5%	1.9%	3.4%
600	470				Hitchin & Harpenden	CON	775	254	1,029	3.0%	1.4%	2.3%
26	21				Holborn & St Pancras	LAB	3,902	1,476	5,378	17.7%	8.0%	13.2%
478	357				Hornchurch	LAB	1,053	382	1,435	4.5%	2.3%	3.6%
96	73				Hornsey & Wood Green	LAB	3,676	1,484	5,160	12.0%	5.8%	9.2%
647	517				Horsham	CON	597	230	827	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
212	147				Houghton & Washington East	LAB	2,100	557	2,657	9.6%	3.4%	6.9%
167	115				Hove	LAB	2,329	857	3,186	10.1%	4.8%	7.8%

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106	83				Huddersfield	LAB	2,562	822	3,384	11.5%	4.9%	8.6%
582	453				Huntingdon	CON	964	418	1,382	3.0%	1.9%	2.5%
463	343				Hyndburn	LAB	1,185	395	1,580	5.0%	2.1%	3.7%
360	257				Ilford North	LAB	1,576	617	2,193	6.3%	3.3%	5.0%
142	104				Ilford South *	LAB	2,995	1,015	4,010	10.3%	4.9%	8.0%
316			51		Inverness East, Nairn & Lochaber	LAB	1,713	546	2,259	7.3%	3.0%	5.4%
247	175				Ipswich	LAB	2,180	603	2,783	8.6%	3.3%	6.4%
207	142				Isle of Wight	LD	2,886	910	3,796	9.3%	3.9%	7.0%
17	14				Islington North	LAB	4,507	1,796	6,303	18.9%	8.7%	14.1%
32	25				Islington South & Finsbury	LAB	3,663	1,423	5,086	16.6%	8.1%	12.8%
350		32			Islwyn	LAB	1,140	367	1,507	6.7%	3.0%	5.1%
137	101				Jarrow	LAB	2,426	639	3,065	11.2%	4.0%	8.2%
373	269				Keighley	LAB	1,469	564	2,033	6.3%	3.1%	4.9%
384	278				Kensington & Chelsea	CON	1,770	963	2,733	5.5%	3.7%	4.7%
534	408				Kettering	LAB	1,102	410	1,512	4.0%	2.0%	3.1%
116			15		Kilmarnock & Loudoun	LAB	2,400	842	3,242	11.1%	5.1%	8.5%
483	362				Kingston & Surbiton	LD	1,362	506	1,868	4.6%	2.2%	3.5%
92	69				Kingston upon Hull East	LAB	2,959	788	3,747	12.4%	4.8%	9.3%
57	44				Kingston upon Hull North	LAB	3,490	1,048	4,538	13.9%	6.0%	10.7%
80	61				Kingston upon Hull West & Hessle	LAB	2,961	843	3,804	12.8%	5.1%	9.6%
480	359				Kingswood	LAB	1,332	440	1,772	4.7%	2.0%	3.6%
85			11		Kirkcaldy	LAB	2,217	743	2,960	12.5%	5.5%	9.4%
110	86				Knowsley North & Sefton East	LAB	2,969	865	3,834	11.7%	4.5%	8.6%
52	40				Knowsley South	LAB	3,642	923	4,565	15.0%	5.1%	10.8%
379			18		Lagan Valley	UU	1,490	617	2,107	5.7%	3.4%	4.8%
433	317				Lancaster & Wyre	LAB	1,236	537	1,773	5.2%	2.9%	4.2%
33	26				Leeds Central	LAB	4,191	1,054	5,245	17.6%	6.0%	12.6%
60	46				Leeds East	LAB	3,094	784	3,878	14.7%	4.9%	10.5%
232	163				Leeds North East	LAB	1,951	681	2,632	8.8%	3.8%	6.6%
338	239				Leeds North West	LAB	1,372	592	1,964	6.6%	3.5%	5.2%
201	137				Leeds West	LAB	2,323	622	2,945	9.8%	3.4%	7.1%
202	138				Leicester East	LAB	1,999	745	2,744	9.2%	4.4%	7.1%
95	72				Leicester South	LAB	3,122	914	4,036	12.5%	4.8%	9.2%
101	78				Leicester West	LAB	2,853	792	3,645	12.2%	4.4%	8.8%
367	264				Leigh	LAB	1,625	522	2,147	6.5%	2.9%	5.0%
530	404				Leominster <*	CON	886	338	1,224	3.8%	2.2%	3.2%
513	388				Lewes	LD	851	328	1,179	4.2%	2.1%	3.3%
100	77				Lewisham East	LAB	2,394	818	3,212	11.9%	5.1%	8.8%
66	49				Lewisham West	LAB	3,142	995	4,137	14.3%	5.4%	10.3%
22	18				Lewisham, Deptford	LAB	4,087	1,457	5,544	18.4%	7.8%	13.6%
78	59				Leyton & Wanstead	LAB	3,128	1,027	4,155	13.1%	5.5%	9.8%
551	424				Lichfield	CON	837	373	1,210	3.4%	2.1%	2.9%
108	84				Lincoln	LAB	2,708	771	3,479	11.6%	4.5%	8.6%
387			56		Linlithgow	LAB	1,294	377	1,671	6.4%	2.4%	4.7%
93	70				Liverpool, Garston	LAB	2,844	788	3,632	13.0%	4.6%	9.3%
2	2				Liverpool, Riverside	LAB	5,263	1,585	6,848	25.5%	10.2%	18.9%
29	22				Liverpool, Walton	LAB	4,111	1,092	5,203	18.1%	6.3%	13.0%
39	31				Liverpool, Wavertree	LAB	3,881	1,091	4,972	16.7%	5.8%	11.8%
19	16				Liverpool, West Derby	LAB	4,223	1,082	5,305	19.1%	6.6%	13.8%
388			57		Livingston	LAB	1,365	475	1,840	6.2%	2.7%	4.7%
178		13			Llanelli	LAB	1,759	531	2,290	10.0%	4.2%	7.6%
429	314				Loughborough	LAB	1,235	513	1,748	5.2%	2.9%	4.2%
398	289				Louth & Horncastle	CON	1,238	453	1,691	5.5%	3.0%	4.5%
548	421				Ludlow	CON	767	299	1,066	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
374	270				Luton North	LAB	1,669	540	2,209	6.4%	2.8%	4.9%
216	150				Luton South	LAB	2,352	702	3,054	8.8%	3.9%	6.8%
578	449				Macclesfield	CON	957	294	1,251	3.6%	1.4%	2.6%
628	498				Maidenhead	CON	725	206	931	2.7%	1.0%	2.0%
511	386				Maidstone & The Weald	CON	1,182	409	1,591	4.3%	2.0%	3.3%
361	258				Makerfield	LAB	1,625	536	2,161	6.5%	2.9%	5.0%

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509	384				Maldon & East Chelmsford	CON	1,066	340	1,406	4.2%	2.0%	3.3%
74	56				Manchester, Blackley	LAB	2,940	669	3,609	13.8%	4.4%	9.9%
5	5				Manchester, Central	LAB	4,891	1,288	6,179	23.3%	8.7%	17.3%
15	12				Manchester, Gorton	LAB	3,613	1,097	4,710	19.3%	8.0%	14.5%
67	50				Manchester, Withington	LAB	2,805	1,050	3,855	13.5%	6.2%	10.3%
227	159				Mansfield	LAB	2,094	617	2,711	8.9%	3.6%	6.7%
287	201				Medway	LAB	1,840	631	2,471	7.2%	3.7%	5.8%
257		21			Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	PC	886	277	1,163	8.1%	3.6%	6.2%
328	230				Meriden	CON	2,070	676	2,746	6.9%	3.1%	5.3%
125		5			Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	LAB	2,059	488	2,547	11.5%	3.9%	8.3%
623	493				Mid Bedfordshire	CON	605	290	895	2.4%	1.6%	2.0%
568	439				Mid Dorset & North Poole	CON	866	297	1,163	3.5%	1.6%	2.7%
467	347				Mid Norfolk	CON	1,217	457	1,674	4.6%	2.4%	3.7%
646	516				Mid Sussex	CON	598	217	815	2.2%	1.1%	1.7%
61			9		Mid Ulster	SF	2,515	810	3,325	12.6%	6.9%	10.5%
587	458				Mid Worcestershire	CON	739	315	1,054	3.1%	1.8%	2.5%
25	20				Middlesbrough	LAB	4,460	1,113	5,573	18.3%	6.4%	13.3%
130	97				Middlesbrough South & East Cleveland	LAB	2,687	754	3,441	11.1%	4.3%	8.3%
406			62		Midlothian	LAB	1,071	290	1,361	6.3%	2.1%	4.4%
439	322				Milton Keynes South West	LAB	1,426	509	1,935	5.3%	2.5%	4.1%
210	145				Mitcham & Morden	LAB	2,290	768	3,058	9.2%	4.0%	7.0%
657	527				Mole Valley	CON	479	143	622	1.8%	0.8%	1.4%
435		36			Monmouth	LAB	1,031	425	1,456	5.1%	2.8%	4.1%
552		40			Montgomeryshire	LD	514	212	726	3.4%	2.0%	2.9%
308			50		Moray	SNP	1,463	602	2,065	6.6%	4.1%	5.6%
228	160				Morecambe & Lunesdale	LAB	1,955	577	2,532	9.0%	3.5%	6.7%
408	295				Morley & Rothwell	LAB	1,509	444	1,953	6.1%	2.3%	4.4%
117			16		Motherwell & Wishaw	LAB	1,923	515	2,438	11.7%	4.2%	8.5%
249		20			Neath	LAB	1,479	448	1,927	8.4%	3.5%	6.3%
596	466				New Forest East	CON	757	250	1,007	3.1%	1.4%	2.4%
546	419				New Forest West	CON	747	228	975	3.9%	1.6%	2.9%
370	267				Newark	LAB	1,527	573	2,100	6.1%	3.2%	4.9%
650	520				Newbury	LD	627	197	824	2.2%	0.9%	1.7%
64	47				Newcastle upon Tyne Central	LAB	2,857	888	3,745	14.1%	5.6%	10.3%
56	43				Newcastle upon Tyne East & Wallsend	LAB	3,120	840	3,960	14.9%	5.2%	10.7%
235	165				Newcastle upon Tyne North	LAB	2,119	539	2,658	9.4%	3.0%	6.6%
454	334				Newcastle-under-Lyme	LAB	1,176	402	1,578	5.1%	2.3%	3.9%
248		19			Newport East	LAB	1,614	512	2,126	8.3%	3.7%	6.4%
185		15			Newport West	LAB	1,963	604	2,567	9.9%	4.0%	7.4%
42			5		Newry & Armagh	SDLP	3,571	1,027	4,598	14.5%	6.9%	11.6%
425	310				Normanton	LAB	1,265	431	1,696	5.6%	2.5%	4.3%
145			11		North Antrim	DU	2,555	796	3,351	10.0%	4.9%	8.0%
330	232				North Cornwall	LD	1,821	562	2,383	6.8%	3.1%	5.3%
409	296				North Devon	LD	1,407	479	1,886	5.7%	2.7%	4.4%
619	489				North Dorset	CON	552	240	792	2.5%	1.5%	2.1%
245			15		North Down	UKU	1,622	715	2,337	7.7%	4.7%	6.4%
251	177				North Durham	LAB	2,026	526	2,552	8.7%	3.0%	6.3%
599	469				North East Bedfordshire	CON	719	291	1,010	2.9%	1.6%	2.4%
395	286				North East Cambridgeshire	CON	1,499	578	2,077	5.5%	3.1%	4.5%
347	245				North East Derbyshire	LAB	1,751	525	2,276	6.8%	2.8%	5.1%
404			61		North East Fife	LD	997	424	1,421	5.4%	3.1%	4.5%
649	519				North East Hampshire	CON	573	215	788	2.0%	1.1%	1.7%
595	465				North East Hertfordshire	CON	798	284	1,082	3.1%	1.5%	2.4%
487	365				North East Milton Keynes	LAB	1,195	410	1,605	4.6%	2.1%	3.5%
585	456				North Essex	CON	756	276	1,032	3.1%	1.6%	2.5%
418	304				North Norfolk	CON	1,306	442	1,748	5.5%	2.7%	4.3%
482	361				North Shropshire	CON	1,067	420	1,487	4.3%	2.4%	3.5%
23	19				North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	4,250	1,464	5,714	17.9%	7.9%	13.5%
572	443				North Swindon	LAB	919	304	1,223	3.6%	1.6%	2.7%
393			58		North Tayside	SNP	1,220	482	1,702	5.8%	3.0%	4.6%

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134	99				North Thanet	CON	2,419	631	3,050	11.3%	4.0%	8.2%
127	94				North Tyneside	LAB	2,619	697	3,316	11.5%	4.0%	8.3%
476	355				North Warwickshire	LAB	1,226	493	1,719	4.4%	2.5%	3.6%
524	398				North West Cambridgeshire	CON	1,116	409	1,525	4.0%	2.0%	3.2%
230	162				North West Durham	LAB	1,983	563	2,546	8.9%	3.5%	6.6%
651	521				North West Hampshire *	CON	595	248	843	2.0%	1.2%	1.6%
508	383				North West Leicestershire	LAB	991	331	1,322	4.3%	2.0%	3.3%
365	262				North West Norfolk	LAB	1,699	567	2,266	6.4%	3.0%	5.0%
598	468				North Wiltshire	CON	827	344	1,171	2.9%	1.7%	2.4%
353	250				Northampton North	LAB	1,897	618	2,515	6.8%	2.9%	5.1%
417	303				Northampton South	LAB	1,652	581	2,233	5.6%	2.6%	4.3%
624	494				Northavon	LD	743	332	1,075	2.4%	1.5%	2.0%
325	228				Norwich North	LAB	1,826	634	2,460	6.9%	3.2%	5.3%
128	95				Norwich South	LAB	2,747	795	3,542	11.2%	4.3%	8.3%
20	17				Nottingham East	LAB	4,395	1,246	5,641	18.8%	7.0%	13.7%
83	64				Nottingham North	LAB	3,092	786	3,878	13.2%	4.5%	9.5%
82	63				Nottingham South	LAB	2,995	837	3,832	13.0%	4.9%	9.5%
451	332				Nuneaton	LAB	1,399	439	1,838	5.1%	2.2%	3.9%
199			35		Ochil	LAB	1,759	605	2,364	9.3%	4.2%	7.1%
281		23			Ogmore	LAB	1,365	432	1,797	7.8%	3.4%	5.9%
479	358				Old Bexley & Sidcup	CON	1,130	462	1,592	4.5%	2.4%	3.6%
416	302				Oldham East & Saddleworth	LAB	1,668	495	2,163	6.0%	2.3%	4.3%
298	210				Oldham West & Royton	LAB	2,016	577	2,593	7.9%	2.9%	5.7%
484			65		Orkney & Shetland	LD	535	214	749	4.2%	2.5%	3.5%
536	410				Orpington	CON	1,207	422	1,629	4.0%	1.9%	3.1%
297	209				Oxford East	LAB	1,866	588	2,454	7.9%	3.1%	5.7%
621	491				Oxford West & Abingdon	LD	713	301	1,014	2.6%	1.4%	2.0%
146			22		Paisley North	LAB	1,771	581	2,352	11.1%	4.3%	8.0%
155			26		Paisley South	VAC	2,083	575	2,658	11.3%	3.8%	7.9%
456	336				Pendle	LAB	1,157	354	1,511	5.2%	2.1%	3.9%
574	445				Penrith & The Border	CON	774	314	1,088	3.2%	1.9%	2.7%
307			49		Perth	SNP	1,537	523	2,060	7.6%	3.2%	5.6%
263	186				Peterborough	LAB	2,181	710	2,891	8.1%	3.6%	6.2%
219	153				Plymouth, Devonport	LAB	2,539	735	3,274	8.7%	3.8%	6.8%
44	35				Plymouth, Sutton	LAB	3,642	1,132	4,774	15.0%	6.5%	11.4%
275	196				Pontefract & Castleford	LAB	1,833	498	2,331	8.1%	3.0%	6.0%
324			29		Pontypridd	LAB	1,592	486	2,078	7.2%	2.9%	5.3%
438	321				Poole	CON	1,216	323	1,539	5.6%	2.0%	4.1%
16	13				Poplar & Canning Town	LAB	4,536	1,305	5,841	18.8%	7.9%	14.3%
344	242				Portsmouth North	LAB	1,655	459	2,114	7.0%	2.7%	5.2%
105	82				Portsmouth South	LD	3,065	846	3,911	11.5%	4.5%	8.6%
151			10		Preseli Pembrokeshire	LAB	1,945	540	2,485	10.4%	4.3%	7.9%
163	112				Preston	LAB	2,716	738	3,454	10.7%	3.9%	7.8%
583	454				Pudsey	LAB	857	329	1,186	3.3%	1.6%	2.5%
306	216				Putney	LAB	1,673	665	2,338	7.5%	3.5%	5.6%
564	436				Rayleigh	CON	900	355	1,255	3.4%	1.9%	2.8%
527	401				Reading East	LAB	1,231	332	1,563	4.3%	1.6%	3.2%
556	428				Reading West	LAB	1,112	294	1,406	3.9%	1.4%	2.8%
84	65				Redcar	LAB	3,254	762	4,016	13.1%	4.3%	9.5%
380	274				Redditch	LAB	1,439	576	2,015	6.0%	3.1%	4.7%
79	60				Regent's Park & Kensington North	LAB	3,951	1,732	5,683	12.2%	6.5%	9.6%
632	502				Reigate	CON	616	208	824	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
173			12		Rhondda	LAB	1,857	470	2,327	10.2%	3.8%	7.6%
636	506				Ribble Valley	CON	636	254	890	2.5%	1.3%	1.9%
543	416				Richmond	CON	902	392	1,294	3.5%	2.3%	3.0%
494	371				Richmond Park	LD	1,240	566	1,806	4.3%	2.5%	3.5%
181	122				Rochdale	LAB	2,516	632	3,148	10.5%	3.6%	7.5%
73	55				Rochford & Southend East	CON	3,294	939	4,233	13.3%	5.3%	9.9%
491	368				Romford	LAB	1,023	349	1,372	4.5%	2.1%	3.5%
612	482				Romsey	CON	693	234	927	2.8%	1.3%	2.2%

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162				29	Ross, Skye & Inverness West	LD	2,046	568	2,614	10.4%	4.1%	7.8%
531	405				Rossendale & Darwen	LAB	1,054	390	1,444	4.1%	2.0%	3.2%
238	168				Rother Valley	LAB	2,136	668	2,804	8.6%	3.7%	6.5%
68	51				Rotherham	LAB	2,981	717	3,698	14.1%	4.8%	10.2%
501				68	Roxburgh & Berwickshire	LD	744	271	1,015	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
512	387				Rugby & Kenilworth	LAB	1,242	446	1,688	4.2%	2.0%	3.3%
557	429				Ruislip - Northwood	CON	852	289	1,141	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
631	501				Runnymede & Weybridge	CON	709	240	949	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
485	363				Rushcliffe	CON	1,283	471	1,754	4.5%	2.2%	3.5%
633	503				Rutland & Melton	CON	626	261	887	2.4%	1.4%	2.0%
570	441				Ryedale	CON	742	283	1,025	3.4%	1.8%	2.7%
606	476				Saffron Walden	CON	723	337	1,060	2.5%	1.7%	2.2%
119	89				Salford	LAB	2,345	566	2,911	11.7%	3.9%	8.4%
586	457				Salisbury	CON	946	349	1,295	3.2%	1.6%	2.5%
289	203				Scarborough & Whitby	LAB	1,932	601	2,533	7.8%	3.2%	5.8%
237	167				Scunthorpe	LAB	1,891	579	2,470	8.4%	3.7%	6.5%
332	234				Sedgefield	LAB	1,578	483	2,061	7.0%	2.9%	5.3%
450	331				Selby	LAB	1,271	516	1,787	4.8%	2.7%	3.9%
573	444				Sevenoaks	CON	858	309	1,167	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
217	151				Sheffield, Attercliffe	LAB	2,179	658	2,837	9.1%	3.7%	6.8%
47	37				Sheffield, Brightside	LAB	3,286	806	4,092	15.6%	5.3%	11.3%
9	8				Sheffield, Central	LAB	4,663	1,421	6,084	21.3%	9.2%	16.3%
351	248				Sheffield, Hallam	LD	1,171	513	1,684	6.4%	3.5%	5.1%
114	87				Sheffield, Heeley	LAB	2,708	771	3,479	11.6%	4.4%	8.5%
315	223				Sheffield, Hillsborough	LAB	1,980	743	2,723	7.1%	3.4%	5.5%
364	261				Sherwood	LAB	1,751	537	2,288	6.6%	2.8%	5.0%
445	327				Shipley	LAB	1,310	464	1,774	5.4%	2.4%	4.0%
507	382				Shrewsbury & Atcham	LAB	1,132	391	1,523	4.4%	2.0%	3.3%
261	184				Sittingbourne & Sheppey	LAB	1,946	630	2,576	7.8%	3.8%	6.2%
603	473				Skipton & Ripon	CON	721	296	1,017	2.8%	1.6%	2.3%
518	393				Sleaford & North Hykeham	CON	990	379	1,369	4.0%	2.2%	3.3%
348	246				Slough	LAB	1,930	551	2,481	6.9%	2.7%	5.1%
561	433				Solihull	CON	1,004	412	1,416	3.5%	1.9%	2.8%
526	400				Somerton & Frome *	LD	1,004	418	1,422	3.8%	2.3%	3.2%
335				17	South Antrim	UU	1,679	655	2,334	6.5%	3.5%	5.3%
638	508				South Cambridgeshire	CON	611	263	874	2.3%	1.3%	1.9%
457	337				South Derbyshire	LAB	1,351	492	1,843	4.9%	2.4%	3.9%
411	297				South Dorset	CON	1,391	387	1,778	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
88				10	South Down	SDLP	2,658	979	3,637	11.2%	6.6%	9.4%
616	486				South East Cambridgeshire	CON	733	329	1,062	2.6%	1.6%	2.1%
394	285				South East Cornwall	LD	1,463	498	1,961	5.8%	2.8%	4.6%
597	467				South Holland & The Deepings	CON	645	313	958	2.7%	1.9%	2.4%
495	372				South Norfolk	CON	1,172	484	1,656	4.2%	2.4%	3.5%
566	437				South Ribble	LAB	948	353	1,301	3.6%	1.7%	2.8%
43	34				South Shields	LAB	3,263	835	4,098	15.7%	5.7%	11.5%
525	399				South Staffordshire	CON	1,143	403	1,546	4.1%	2.0%	3.2%
532	406				South Suffolk	CON	948	345	1,293	3.9%	2.0%	3.1%
466	346				South Swindon	LAB	1,397	451	1,848	5.0%	2.1%	3.7%
184	124				South Thanet	LAB	2,056	578	2,634	10.1%	3.9%	7.5%
560	432				South West Bedfordshire	CON	1,002	397	1,399	3.5%	1.9%	2.8%
520	395				South West Devon	CON	993	385	1,378	4.1%	2.1%	3.2%
617	487				South West Hertfordshire	CON	751	252	1,003	2.7%	1.3%	2.1%
477	356				South West Norfolk	CON	1,265	551	1,816	4.2%	2.7%	3.6%
652	522				South West Surrey	CON	556	179	735	2.1%	0.9%	1.6%
240	170				Southampton, Itchen	LAB	2,365	555	2,920	8.9%	3.0%	6.5%
205	140				Southampton, Test	LAB	2,491	650	3,141	9.6%	3.5%	7.0%
225	157				Southend West	CON	1,958	635	2,593	8.8%	3.8%	6.7%
310	218				Southport	LD	1,701	570	2,271	7.6%	3.1%	5.6%
610	480				Spelthorne	CON	838	281	1,119	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
613	483				St Albans	LAB	710	277	987	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%

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270	191				St Helens North	LAB	1,992	600	2,592	8.1%	3.3%	6.1%
189	127				St Helens South	LAB	2,333	633	2,966	10.0%	3.7%	7.3%
195	132				St Ives	LD	2,081	749	2,830	8.9%	4.6%	7.1%
503	378				Stafford	LAB	1,075	389	1,464	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
542	415				Staffordshire Moorlands	LAB	984	350	1,334	3.9%	1.9%	3.0%
357	254				Stalybridge & Hyde	LAB	1,651	549	2,200	6.7%	2.9%	5.1%
434	318				Stevenage	LAB	1,432	479	1,911	5.4%	2.5%	4.2%
319			52		Stirling	LAB	1,309	425	1,734	7.3%	3.0%	5.4%
363	260				Stockport	LAB	1,739	435	2,174	7.0%	2.3%	5.0%
53	41				Stockton North	LAB	3,388	873	4,261	14.8%	5.3%	10.8%
166	114				Stockton South	LAB	2,516	738	3,254	10.4%	4.1%	7.8%
209	144				Stoke-on-Trent Central	LAB	2,149	536	2,685	9.7%	3.3%	7.0%
376	271				Stoke-on-Trent North	LAB	1,396	393	1,789	6.5%	2.5%	4.8%
427	312				Stoke-on-Trent South	LAB	1,477	423	1,900	5.8%	2.2%	4.2%
615	485				Stone	CON	636	278	914	2.6%	1.6%	2.1%
413	299				Stourbridge	LAB	1,453	464	1,917	5.7%	2.5%	4.4%
266				16	Strangford	UU	1,837	638	2,475	7.8%	3.8%	6.1%
594	464				Stratford-on-Avon	CON	877	380	1,257	3.0%	1.7%	2.4%
372			55		Strathkelvin & Bearsden	LAB	1,481	558	2,039	6.4%	3.0%	4.9%
38	30				Streatham	LAB	4,664	1,788	6,452	15.8%	7.1%	11.8%
294	206				Stretford & Urmston	LAB	2,050	599	2,649	7.9%	3.0%	5.8%
517	392				Stroud	LAB	1,104	451	1,555	4.0%	2.2%	3.3%
442	324				Suffolk Coastal	CON	1,342	471	1,813	5.1%	2.6%	4.1%
99	76				Sunderland North	LAB	2,620	573	3,193	12.8%	3.9%	9.0%
54	42				Sunderland South	LAB	3,402	783	4,185	15.2%	4.8%	10.8%
658	528				Surrey Heath	CON	495	179	674	1.6%	0.8%	1.3%
547	420				Sutton & Cheam	LD	919	346	1,265	3.8%	1.8%	2.9%
515	390				Sutton Coldfield	CON	1,058	461	1,519	4.1%	2.3%	3.3%
220			17		Swansea East	LAB	1,907	429	2,336	9.6%	2.9%	6.7%
111			1		Swansea West	LAB	2,031	591	2,622	11.6%	4.5%	8.6%
452	333				Tamworth	LAB	1,221	504	1,725	4.7%	2.8%	3.9%
577	448				Tatton	IND	796	247	1,043	3.5%	1.5%	2.6%
400	290				Taunton *	LD	1,609	521	2,130	6.0%	2.5%	4.5%
441	323				Teignbridge	CON	1,356	458	1,814	5.4%	2.4%	4.1%
397	288				Telford	LAB	1,375	384	1,759	6.1%	2.3%	4.5%
576	447				Tewkesbury	CON	807	319	1,126	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
239	169				Thurrock	LAB	2,219	698	2,917	8.4%	3.8%	6.5%
545	418				Tiverton & Honiton	CON	922	388	1,310	3.6%	2.1%	3.0%
554	426				Tonbridge & Malling	CON	889	310	1,199	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
135	100				Tooting	LAB	2,938	1,095	4,033	11.0%	4.8%	8.2%
223	155				Torbay	LD	2,118	588	2,706	9.3%	3.3%	6.7%
284			24		Torfaen	LAB	1,638	511	2,149	7.8%	3.3%	5.9%
390	282				Torridge & West Devon	LD	1,487	539	2,026	5.8%	3.0%	4.6%
392	284				Totnes	CON	1,203	474	1,677	5.7%	3.1%	4.6%
7	7				Tottenham	LAB	6,122	2,091	8,213	22.0%	9.7%	16.6%
311	219				Truro & St Austell	LD	1,797	594	2,391	7.2%	3.3%	5.6%
579	450				Tunbridge Wells	CON	883	269	1,152	3.6%	1.4%	2.6%
541				70	Tweeddale, Etrick & Lauderdale	LD	713	261	974	4.0%	1.8%	3.0%
522	397				Twickenham	LD	1,183	456	1,639	4.1%	2.0%	3.2%
31	24				Tyne Bridge	LAB	4,019	904	4,923	18.1%	5.7%	12.9%
204	139				Tynemouth	LAB	2,133	634	2,767	9.7%	3.7%	7.0%
443	325				Upminster	LAB	1,084	354	1,438	5.3%	2.4%	4.1%
231				14	Upper Bann	UU	2,057	728	2,785	8.3%	4.2%	6.6%
474	353				Uxbridge	CON	1,083	411	1,494	4.6%	2.3%	3.6%
269			22		Vale of Clwyd	LAB	1,356	353	1,709	8.6%	2.9%	6.1%
304			26		Vale of Glamorgan	LAB	1,791	610	2,401	7.3%	3.4%	5.6%
609	479				Vale of York	CON	662	305	967	2.6%	1.7%	2.2%
14	11				Vauxhall	LAB	5,615	2,025	7,640	19.9%	8.4%	14.6%
283	198				Wakefield	LAB	2,069	632	2,701	7.9%	3.3%	5.9%
69	52				Wallasey	LAB	3,068	882	3,950	14.0%	5.2%	10.1%

**II Residence-based unemployment rates by parliamentary constituency,  
United Kindom, July 1997  
A. (not seasonally adjusted) - alphabetical listing**

Rank by overall unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate			
UK	Eng	Wal	Sco	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All
143	105				LAB	2,735	752	3,487	10.5%	4.3%	8.0%
97	74				LAB	2,750	906	3,656	11.6%	5.5%	9.1%
76	57				LAB	3,179	1,113	4,292	12.9%	5.8%	9.8%
180	121				LAB	2,175	579	2,754	10.7%	3.6%	7.6%
593	463				LAB	765	345	1,110	3.0%	1.8%	2.5%
644	514				CON	623	226	849	2.2%	1.1%	1.8%
109	85				LAB	2,421	752	3,173	11.3%	4.8%	8.6%
420	306				LAB	1,537	463	2,000	5.7%	2.4%	4.3%
461	341				LAB	1,254	454	1,708	4.9%	2.3%	3.8%
493	370				LAB	1,309	461	1,770	4.6%	2.1%	3.5%
519	394				LAB	1,293	374	1,667	4.4%	1.7%	3.3%
129	96				LAB	2,726	864	3,590	10.6%	4.9%	8.3%
641	511				CON	632	238	870	2.3%	1.2%	1.8%
244	173				LAB	1,937	640	2,577	8.4%	3.8%	6.4%
496	373				LAB	1,294	438	1,732	4.5%	2.0%	3.4%
447	329				CON	1,211	450	1,661	5.0%	2.6%	4.0%
590	461				LAB	839	284	1,123	3.3%	1.5%	2.5%
139	102				LAB	2,489	622	3,111	11.2%	3.9%	8.1%
592			72		LD	626	313	939	2.8%	2.0%	2.5%
160	111				LAB	2,459	767	3,226	10.2%	4.5%	7.9%
123	92				SPKR	2,642	805	3,447	10.7%	4.9%	8.4%
533	407				CON	1,195	403	1,598	4.0%	1.9%	3.1%
562	434				CON	859	366	1,225	3.4%	2.0%	2.8%
555	427				CON	740	315	1,055	3.5%	2.0%	2.8%
18	15				LAB	4,174	1,321	5,495	18.3%	8.2%	14.1%
299	211				LAB	1,989	584	2,573	7.7%	3.0%	5.7%
399			59		LAB	1,104	374	1,478	6.0%	2.6%	4.5%
559	431				CON	1,033	443	1,476	3.3%	2.1%	2.8%
27				4	UU	3,359	897	4,256	16.4%	7.6%	13.2%
549	422				CON	821	297	1,118	3.7%	1.8%	2.9%
469	349				CON	1,255	511	1,766	4.5%	2.5%	3.7%
87			12		LAB	971	301	1,272	11.6%	5.9%	9.4%
629	499				CON	572	232	804	2.6%	1.3%	2.0%
369	266				LD	1,542	504	2,046	6.5%	2.9%	4.9%
236	166				LAB	1,939	616	2,555	8.6%	3.8%	6.6%
458	338				LAB	1,213	492	1,705	4.9%	2.5%	3.8%
634	504				LD	705	252	957	2.5%	1.2%	2.0%
626	496				CON	736	257	993	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
342	240				LAB	1,398	520	1,918	6.8%	3.2%	5.2%
286	200				LAB	1,554	576	2,130	7.7%	3.6%	5.9%
653	523				CON	540	243	783	1.8%	1.2%	1.6%
655	525				CON	566	180	746	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
659	529				CON	395	137	532	1.4%	0.7%	1.1%
171	118				LAB	2,357	654	3,011	10.2%	4.1%	7.7%
103	80				LAB	2,289	625	2,914	11.5%	4.7%	8.8%
188	126				LAB	2,152	775	2,927	9.4%	4.6%	7.3%
618	488				CON	671	249	920	2.7%	1.3%	2.1%
402	292				LAB	1,419	472	1,891	5.9%	2.6%	4.5%
200	136				LAB	2,259	598	2,857	9.6%	3.5%	7.1%
401	291				LAB	1,485	455	1,940	6.0%	2.4%	4.5%
521	396				CON	895	261	1,156	4.5%	1.6%	3.2%
544	417				LAB	824	307	1,131	3.7%	2.0%	3.0%
339		30			LAB	1,204	392	1,596	6.9%	3.0%	5.2%
539	413				CON	1,243	335	1,578	4.1%	1.5%	3.0%
468	348				LAB	1,288	463	1,751	4.7%	2.3%	3.7%
192	129				LAB	2,585	644	3,229	10.2%	3.3%	7.2%
505	380				LD	1,117	394	1,511	4.3%	2.1%	3.4%
133			7		PC	1,846	607	2,453	10.3%	5.1%	8.2%
272	193				LAB	2,279	685	2,964	8.4%	3.1%	6.0%
United Kingdom						1,201,318	383,954	1,585,272	7.6%	3.3%	5.8%



**II Residence-based unemployment rates by parliamentary constituency,  
United Kingdom, July 1997**

**B. (not seasonally adjusted) - highest and lowest**

Rank by overall unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate				
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
1	1				Birmingham, Ladywood	LAB	6,331	1,780	8,111	25.8%	10.6%	19.6%
2	2				Liverpool, Riverside	LAB	5,263	1,585	6,848	25.5%	10.2%	18.9%
3	3				Hackney South & Shoreditch	LAB	5,716	1,935	7,651	24.3%	10.1%	17.9%
4	4				Hackney North & Stoke Newington	LAB	5,426	2,072	7,498	22.6%	11.1%	17.6%
5	5				Manchester, Central	LAB	4,891	1,288	6,179	23.3%	8.7%	17.3%
6	6				Birmingham, Sparkbrook & Small Heath	LAB	5,454	1,626	7,080	20.9%	10.4%	17.0%
7	7				Tottenham	LAB	6,122	2,091	8,213	22.0%	9.7%	16.6%
8				1	Belfast West	SF	4,918	770	5,688	24.1%	5.4%	16.4%
9	8				Sheffield, Central	LAB	4,663	1,421	6,084	21.3%	9.2%	16.3%
10				2	Foyle	SDLP	4,882	1,184	6,066	21.2%	7.9%	16.0%
11	9				Bethnal Green & Bow	LAB	5,031	1,394	6,425	20.1%	8.5%	15.5%
12	10				Camberwell & Peckham	LAB	4,082	1,477	5,559	19.8%	8.7%	14.8%
13				1	Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	3,416	1,067	4,483	19.9%	8.0%	14.7%
14	11				Vauxhall	LAB	5,615	2,025	7,640	19.9%	8.4%	14.6%
15	12				Manchester, Gorton	LAB	3,613	1,097	4,710	19.3%	8.0%	14.5%
16	13				Poplar & Canning Town	LAB	4,536	1,305	5,841	18.8%	7.9%	14.3%
17	14				Islington North	LAB	4,507	1,796	6,303	18.9%	8.7%	14.1%
18	15				West Ham	LAB	4,174	1,321	5,495	18.3%	8.2%	14.1%
19	16				Liverpool, West Derby	LAB	4,223	1,082	5,305	19.1%	6.6%	13.8%
20	17				Nottingham East	LAB	4,395	1,246	5,641	18.8%	7.0%	13.7%
21				3	Belfast North	UU	3,466	754	4,220	19.1%	5.9%	13.6%
22	18				Lewisham, Deptford	LAB	4,087	1,457	5,544	18.4%	7.8%	13.6%
23	19				North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	4,250	1,464	5,714	17.9%	7.9%	13.5%
24				2	Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	2,590	583	3,173	18.8%	6.0%	13.5%
25	20				Middlesbrough	LAB	4,460	1,113	5,573	18.3%	6.4%	13.3%
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635	505				Cotswold	CON	550	220	770	2.4%	1.3%	1.9%
636	506				Ribble Valley	CON	636	254	890	2.5%	1.3%	1.9%
637	507				Bracknell	CON	800	260	1,060	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
638	508				South Cambridgeshire	CON	611	263	874	2.3%	1.3%	1.9%
639	509				Guildford	CON	710	233	943	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
640	510				Aldershot	CON	854	297	1,151	2.3%	1.1%	1.8%
641	511				Wealden	CON	632	238	870	2.3%	1.2%	1.8%
642	512				Arundel & South Downs	CON	507	191	698	2.3%	1.2%	1.8%
643	513				Beaconsfield	CON	577	255	832	2.1%	1.3%	1.8%
644	514				Wantage	CON	623	226	849	2.2%	1.1%	1.8%
645	515				East Surrey	CON	660	224	884	2.3%	1.0%	1.8%
646	516				Mid Sussex	CON	598	217	815	2.2%	1.1%	1.7%
647	517				Horsham	CON	597	230	827	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
648	518				Buckingham	CON	497	186	683	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
649	519				North East Hampshire	CON	573	215	788	2.0%	1.1%	1.7%
650	520				Newbury	LD	627	197	824	2.2%	0.9%	1.7%
651	521				North West Hampshire *	CON	595	248	843	2.0%	1.2%	1.6%
652	522				South West Surrey	CON	556	179	735	2.1%	0.9%	1.6%
653	523				Witney	CON	540	243	783	1.8%	1.2%	1.6%
654	524				Chesham & Amersham	CON	525	169	694	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
655	525				Woking	CON	566	180	746	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
656	526				Henley	CON	490	185	675	1.9%	1.0%	1.5%
657	527				Mole Valley	CON	479	143	622	1.8%	0.8%	1.4%
658	528				Surrey Heath	CON	495	179	674	1.6%	0.8%	1.3%
659	529				Wokingham	CON	395	137	532	1.4%	0.7%	1.1%
United Kingdom							1,201,318	383,954	1,585,272	7.6%	3.3%	5.8%

**III Residence-based unemployment rates, July 1997**  
**ranked listing of constituencies by country**  
**A. England (not seasonally adjusted)**

Rank by overall

unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate				
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1	1				Birmingham, Ladywood	LAB	6,331	1,780	8,111	25.8%	10.6%	19.6%
2	2				Liverpool, Riverside	LAB	5,263	1,585	6,848	25.5%	10.2%	18.9%
3	3				Hackney South & Shoreditch	LAB	5,716	1,935	7,651	24.3%	10.1%	17.9%
4	4				Hackney North & Stoke Newington	LAB	5,426	2,072	7,498	22.6%	11.1%	17.6%
5	5				Manchester, Central	LAB	4,891	1,288	6,179	23.3%	8.7%	17.3%
6	6				Birmingham, Sparkbrook & Small Heath	LAB	5,454	1,626	7,080	20.9%	10.4%	17.0%
7	7				Tottenham	LAB	6,122	2,091	8,213	22.0%	9.7%	16.6%
9	8				Sheffield, Central	LAB	4,663	1,421	6,084	21.3%	9.2%	16.3%
11	9				Bethnal Green & Bow	LAB	5,031	1,394	6,425	20.1%	8.5%	15.5%
12	10				Camberwell & Peckham	LAB	4,082	1,477	5,559	19.8%	8.7%	14.8%
14	11				Vauxhall	LAB	5,615	2,025	7,640	19.9%	8.4%	14.6%
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16	13				Poplar & Canning Town	LAB	4,536	1,305	5,841	18.8%	7.9%	14.3%
17	14				Islington North	LAB	4,507	1,796	6,303	18.9%	8.7%	14.1%
18	15				West Ham	LAB	4,174	1,321	5,495	18.3%	8.2%	14.1%
19	16				Liverpool, West Derby	LAB	4,223	1,082	5,305	19.1%	6.6%	13.8%
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22	18				Lewisham, Deptford	LAB	4,087	1,457	5,544	18.4%	7.8%	13.6%
23	19				North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	4,250	1,464	5,714	17.9%	7.9%	13.5%
25	20				Middlesbrough	LAB	4,460	1,113	5,573	18.3%	6.4%	13.3%
26	21				Holborn & St Pancras	LAB	3,902	1,476	5,378	17.7%	8.0%	13.2%
29	22				Liverpool, Walton	LAB	4,111	1,092	5,203	18.1%	6.3%	13.0%
30	23				Birkenhead	LAB	3,844	975	4,819	18.2%	6.1%	13.0%
31	24				Tyne Bridge	LAB	4,019	904	4,923	18.1%	5.7%	12.9%
32	25				Islington South & Finsbury	LAB	3,663	1,423	5,086	16.6%	8.1%	12.8%
33	26				Leeds Central	LAB	4,191	1,054	5,245	17.6%	6.0%	12.6%
34	27				Brent South	LAB	4,169	1,374	5,543	16.8%	6.9%	12.4%
35	28				Bootle	LAB	3,495	797	4,292	17.5%	5.4%	12.4%
36	29				Bradford West	LAB	3,692	1,116	4,808	15.7%	7.0%	12.2%
38	30				Streatham	LAB	4,664	1,788	6,452	15.8%	7.1%	11.8%
39	31				Liverpool, Wavertree	LAB	3,881	1,091	4,972	16.7%	5.8%	11.8%
40	32				East Ham	LAB	3,867	1,189	5,056	14.9%	7.0%	11.8%
41	33				Greenwich & Woolwich	LAB	3,631	1,263	4,894	15.5%	6.9%	11.8%
43	34				South Shields	LAB	3,263	835	4,098	15.7%	5.7%	11.5%
44	35				Plymouth, Sutton	LAB	3,642	1,132	4,774	15.0%	6.5%	11.4%
45	36				Brent East	LAB	3,616	1,262	4,878	15.2%	6.6%	11.3%
47	37				Sheffield, Brightside	LAB	3,286	806	4,092	15.6%	5.3%	11.3%
48	38				Brighton, Pavilion	LAB	3,381	1,307	4,688	14.5%	7.0%	11.2%
50	39				Birmingham, Hodge Hill	LAB	2,847	744	3,591	14.7%	5.6%	11.0%
52	40				Knowsley South	LAB	3,642	923	4,565	15.0%	5.1%	10.8%
53	41				Stockton North	LAB	3,388	873	4,261	14.8%	5.3%	10.8%
54	42				Sunderland South	LAB	3,402	783	4,185	15.2%	4.8%	10.8%
56	43				Newcastle upon Tyne East & Wallsend	LAB	3,120	840	3,960	14.9%	5.2%	10.7%
57	44				Kingston upon Hull North	LAB	3,490	1,048	4,538	13.9%	6.0%	10.7%
59	45				Hartlepool	LAB	3,429	841	4,270	14.5%	5.0%	10.5%
60	46				Leeds East	LAB	3,094	784	3,878	14.7%	4.9%	10.5%
64	47				Newcastle upon Tyne Central	LAB	2,857	888	3,745	14.1%	5.6%	10.3%
65	48				Doncaster Central	LAB	3,268	867	4,135	13.9%	5.2%	10.3%
66	49				Lewisham West	LAB	3,142	995	4,137	14.3%	5.4%	10.3%
67	50				Manchester, Withington	LAB	2,805	1,050	3,855	13.5%	6.2%	10.3%
68	51				Rotherham	LAB	2,981	717	3,698	14.1%	4.8%	10.2%
69	52				Wallasey	LAB	3,068	882	3,950	14.0%	5.2%	10.1%
71	53				Great Grimsby	LAB	3,355	816	4,171	13.7%	4.8%	10.1%
72	54				Erith & Thamesmead	LAB	3,321	1,117	4,438	13.0%	6.0%	10.0%
73	55				Rochford & Southend East	CON	3,294	939	4,233	13.3%	5.3%	9.9%
74	56				Manchester, Blackley	LAB	2,940	669	3,609	13.8%	4.4%	9.9%

**III Residence-based unemployment rates, July 1997**  
**ranked listing of constituencies by country**  
**A. England (not seasonally adjusted)**

Rank by overall

unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate				
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
76	57				Walthamstow	LAB	3,179	1,113	4,292	12.9%	5.8%	9.8%
77	58				Dulwich & West Norwood	LAB	3,523	1,392	4,915	13.1%	6.0%	9.8%
78	59				Leyton & Wanstead	LAB	3,128	1,027	4,155	13.1%	5.5%	9.8%
79	60				Regent's Park & Kensington North	LAB	3,951	1,732	5,683	12.2%	6.5%	9.6%
80	61				Kingston upon Hull West & Hessele	LAB	2,961	843	3,804	12.8%	5.1%	9.6%
81	62				Derby South	LAB	3,502	1,032	4,534	12.6%	5.2%	9.5%
82	63				Nottingham South	LAB	2,995	837	3,832	13.0%	4.9%	9.5%
83	64				Nottingham North	LAB	3,092	786	3,878	13.2%	4.5%	9.5%
84	65				Redcar	LAB	3,254	762	4,016	13.1%	4.3%	9.5%
86	66				Ealing, Acton & Shepherd's Bush	LAB	3,787	1,389	5,176	12.6%	5.6%	9.4%
89	67				Birmingham, Perry Barr	LAB	3,207	996	4,203	12.6%	5.2%	9.4%
91	68				Bradford North	LAB	3,077	831	3,908	12.8%	4.7%	9.4%
92	69				Kingston upon Hull East	LAB	2,959	788	3,747	12.4%	4.8%	9.3%
93	70				Liverpool, Garston	LAB	2,844	788	3,632	13.0%	4.6%	9.3%
94	71				Brighton, Kemptown	LAB	2,734	881	3,615	12.2%	5.2%	9.2%
95	72				Leicester South	LAB	3,122	914	4,036	12.5%	4.8%	9.2%
96	73				Hornsey & Wood Green	LAB	3,676	1,484	5,160	12.0%	5.8%	9.2%
97	74				Walsall South	LAB	2,750	906	3,656	11.6%	5.5%	9.1%
98	75				Birmingham, Erdington	LAB	3,153	865	4,018	12.1%	4.7%	9.1%
99	76				Sunderland North	LAB	2,620	573	3,193	12.8%	3.9%	9.0%
100	77				Lewisham East	LAB	2,394	818	3,212	11.9%	5.1%	8.8%
101	78				Leicester West	LAB	2,853	792	3,645	12.2%	4.4%	8.8%
102	79				Barking *	LAB	1,975	671	2,646	11.1%	5.4%	8.8%
103	80				Wolverhampton South East	LAB	2,289	625	2,914	11.5%	4.7%	8.8%
104	81				Edmonton	LAB	2,741	944	3,685	11.3%	5.2%	8.7%
105	82				Portsmouth South	LD	3,065	846	3,911	11.5%	4.5%	8.6%
106	83				Huddersfield	LAB	2,562	822	3,384	11.5%	4.9%	8.6%
108	84				Lincoln	LAB	2,708	771	3,479	11.6%	4.5%	8.6%
109	85				Warley	LAB	2,421	752	3,173	11.3%	4.8%	8.6%
110	86				Knowsley North & Sefton East	LAB	2,969	865	3,834	11.7%	4.5%	8.6%
114	87				Sheffield, Heeley	LAB	2,708	771	3,479	11.6%	4.4%	8.5%
115	88				Doncaster North	LAB	2,500	588	3,088	11.6%	4.0%	8.5%
119	89				Salford	LAB	2,345	566	2,911	11.7%	3.9%	8.4%
120	90				Birmingham, Edgbaston	LAB	2,612	819	3,431	11.4%	4.6%	8.4%
122	91				Croydon North	LAB	3,615	1,293	4,908	11.1%	5.0%	8.4%
123	92				West Bromwich West	SPKR	2,642	805	3,447	10.7%	4.9%	8.4%
124	93				Hampstead & Highgate	LAB	2,766	1,383	4,149	10.5%	6.0%	8.4%
127	94				North Tyneside	LAB	2,619	697	3,316	11.5%	4.0%	8.3%
128	95				Norwich South	LAB	2,747	795	3,542	11.2%	4.3%	8.3%
129	96				Waveney	LAB	2,726	864	3,590	10.6%	4.9%	8.3%
130	97				Middlesbrough South & East Cleveland	LAB	2,687	754	3,441	11.1%	4.3%	8.3%
132	98				Great Yarmouth	LAB	2,592	758	3,350	10.8%	4.5%	8.2%
134	99				North Thanet	CON	2,419	631	3,050	11.3%	4.0%	8.2%
135	100				Tooting	LAB	2,938	1,095	4,033	11.0%	4.8%	8.2%
137	101				Jarrow	LAB	2,426	639	3,065	11.2%	4.0%	8.2%
139	102				Wentworth	LAB	2,489	622	3,111	11.2%	3.9%	8.1%
141	103				Darlington	LAB	2,620	708	3,328	11.2%	4.0%	8.1%
142	104				Ilford South *	LAB	2,995	1,015	4,010	10.3%	4.9%	8.0%
143	105				Walsall North	LAB	2,735	752	3,487	10.5%	4.3%	8.0%
147	106				Folkestone & Hythe	CON	2,651	680	3,331	10.9%	3.9%	8.0%
148	107				Coventry North East	LAB	2,950	850	3,800	10.7%	4.2%	8.0%
149	108				Birmingham, Selly Oak	LAB	2,605	881	3,486	10.7%	4.6%	8.0%
157	109				Hastings & Rye	LAB	2,649	689	3,338	11.0%	3.8%	7.9%
158	110				Hammersmith & Fulham	LAB	3,309	1,511	4,820	10.3%	5.2%	7.9%
160	111				West Bromwich East	LAB	2,459	767	3,226	10.2%	4.5%	7.9%
163	112				Preston	LAB	2,716	738	3,454	10.7%	3.9%	7.8%

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165	113				Barnsley East & Mexborough	LAB	2,332	624	2,956	10.4%	4.0%	7.8%
166	114				Stockton South	LAB	2,516	738	3,254	10.4%	4.1%	7.8%
167	115				Hove	LAB	2,329	857	3,186	10.1%	4.8%	7.8%
168	116				Falmouth & Camborne	LAB	2,362	699	3,061	10.3%	4.3%	7.8%
170	117				Copeland	LAB	2,099	578	2,677	10.3%	4.1%	7.8%
171	118				Wolverhampton North East	LAB	2,357	654	3,011	10.2%	4.1%	7.7%
174	119				Halton	LAB	2,305	691	2,996	10.1%	4.2%	7.6%
177	120				Birmingham, Northfield	LAB	1,921	597	2,518	10.2%	4.2%	7.6%
180	121				Wansbeck	LAB	2,175	579	2,754	10.7%	3.6%	7.6%
181	122				Rochdale	LAB	2,516	632	3,148	10.5%	3.6%	7.5%
183	123				Bournemouth West	CON	1,983	525	2,508	10.3%	3.7%	7.5%
184	124				South Thanet	LAB	2,056	578	2,634	10.1%	3.9%	7.5%
186	125				Bristol East	LAB	2,668	780	3,448	10.0%	3.8%	7.4%
188	126				Wolverhampton South West	LAB	2,152	775	2,927	9.4%	4.6%	7.3%
189	127				St Helens South	LAB	2,333	633	2,966	10.0%	3.7%	7.3%
190	128				Barnsley Central	LAB	2,182	550	2,732	10.2%	3.5%	7.3%
192	129				Wythenshawe & Sale East	LAB	2,585	644	3,229	10.2%	3.3%	7.2%
193	130				Battersea	LAB	2,610	1,012	3,622	9.7%	4.3%	7.2%
194	131				Birmingham, Yardley	LAB	1,836	541	2,377	9.5%	3.8%	7.1%
195	132				St Ives	LD	2,081	749	2,830	8.9%	4.6%	7.1%
196	133				Eltham	LAB	2,002	623	2,625	9.6%	3.9%	7.1%
197	134				Harwich	LAB	1,986	534	2,520	9.6%	3.6%	7.1%
198	135				Birmingham, Hall Green	LAB	2,001	623	2,624	9.4%	3.9%	7.1%
200	136				Workington	LAB	2,259	598	2,857	9.6%	3.5%	7.1%
201	137				Leeds West	LAB	2,323	622	2,945	9.8%	3.4%	7.1%
202	138				Leicester East	LAB	1,999	745	2,744	9.2%	4.4%	7.1%
204	139				Tynemouth	LAB	2,133	634	2,767	9.7%	3.7%	7.0%
205	140				Southampton, Test	LAB	2,491	650	3,141	9.6%	3.5%	7.0%
206	141				Coventry South	LAB	2,278	665	2,943	9.4%	3.7%	7.0%
207	142				Isle of Wight	LD	2,886	910	3,796	9.3%	3.9%	7.0%
208	143				Bristol South	LAB	2,807	705	3,512	9.7%	3.3%	7.0%
209	144				Stoke-on-Trent Central	LAB	2,149	536	2,685	9.7%	3.3%	7.0%
210	145				Mitcham & Morden	LAB	2,290	768	3,058	9.2%	4.0%	7.0%
211	146				Bristol West	LAB	2,547	976	3,523	9.1%	4.3%	6.9%
212	147				Houghton & Washington East	LAB	2,100	557	2,657	9.6%	3.4%	6.9%
214	148				Dover	LAB	2,310	626	2,936	9.3%	3.5%	6.9%
215	149				Halifax	LAB	2,548	654	3,202	9.8%	3.2%	6.9%
216	150				Luton South	LAB	2,352	702	3,054	8.8%	3.9%	6.8%
217	151				Sheffield, Attercliffe	LAB	2,179	658	2,837	9.1%	3.7%	6.8%
218	152				Don Valley	LAB	2,112	568	2,680	9.1%	3.5%	6.8%
219	153				Plymouth, Devonport	LAB	2,539	735	3,274	8.7%	3.8%	6.8%
222	154				Cleethorpes	LAB	2,137	699	2,836	8.6%	4.1%	6.7%
223	155				Torbay	LD	2,118	588	2,706	9.3%	3.3%	6.7%
224	156				Ealing Southall	LAB	2,828	988	3,816	8.9%	3.9%	6.7%
225	157				Southend West	CON	1,958	635	2,593	8.8%	3.8%	6.7%
226	158				Chesterfield	LAB	2,290	669	2,959	9.0%	3.5%	6.7%
227	159				Mansfield	LAB	2,094	617	2,711	8.9%	3.6%	6.7%
228	160				Morecambe & Lunesdale	LAB	1,955	577	2,532	9.0%	3.5%	6.7%
229	161				Dudley North	LAB	2,212	678	2,890	8.6%	3.9%	6.6%
230	162				North West Durham	LAB	1,983	563	2,546	8.9%	3.5%	6.6%
232	163				Leeds North East	LAB	1,951	681	2,632	8.8%	3.8%	6.6%
233	164				Blackburn	LAB	2,318	551	2,869	9.1%	3.0%	6.6%
235	165				Newcastle upon Tyne North	LAB	2,119	539	2,658	9.4%	3.0%	6.6%
236	166				Wigan	LAB	1,939	616	2,555	8.6%	3.8%	6.6%
237	167				Scunthorpe	LAB	1,891	579	2,470	8.4%	3.7%	6.5%
238	168				Rother Valley	LAB	2,136	668	2,804	8.6%	3.7%	6.5%

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239	169				LAB	2,219	698	2,917	8.4%	3.8%	6.5%
240	170				LAB	2,365	555	2,920	8.9%	3.0%	6.5%
241	171				LAB	1,946	603	2,549	8.8%	3.5%	6.5%
242	172				LAB	1,811	409	2,220	9.2%	2.8%	6.5%
244	173				LAB	1,937	640	2,577	8.4%	3.8%	6.4%
246	174				LAB	2,310	614	2,924	9.0%	3.1%	6.4%
247	175				LAB	2,180	603	2,783	8.6%	3.3%	6.4%
250	176				LAB	1,653	556	2,209	8.5%	3.6%	6.3%
251	177				LAB	2,026	526	2,552	8.7%	3.0%	6.3%
253	178				LAB	2,206	546	2,752	8.6%	3.0%	6.3%
254	179				LAB	2,393	563	2,956	9.1%	2.7%	6.3%
256	180				LAB	2,692	859	3,551	8.4%	3.4%	6.2%
258	181				LAB	2,137	706	2,843	8.2%	3.6%	6.2%
259	182				LAB	2,224	848	3,072	7.9%	3.9%	6.2%
260	183				LAB	1,641	677	2,318	7.7%	4.2%	6.2%
261	184				LAB	1,946	630	2,576	7.8%	3.8%	6.2%
262	185				LAB	2,007	551	2,558	8.5%	3.1%	6.2%
263	186				LAB	2,181	710	2,891	8.1%	3.6%	6.2%
264	187				LAB	2,118	613	2,731	8.2%	3.3%	6.1%
265	188				LAB	1,976	581	2,557	8.1%	3.4%	6.1%
267	189				LAB	1,977	497	2,474	8.5%	2.9%	6.1%
268	190				LAB	2,188	675	2,863	8.1%	3.4%	6.1%
270	191				LAB	1,992	600	2,592	8.1%	3.3%	6.1%
271	192				LAB	1,660	516	2,176	7.9%	3.4%	6.0%
272	193				LAB	2,279	685	2,964	8.4%	3.1%	6.0%
273	194				LAB	1,921	502	2,423	8.3%	2.9%	6.0%
274	195				LAB	1,697	539	2,236	7.9%	3.4%	6.0%
275	196				LAB	1,833	498	2,331	8.1%	3.0%	6.0%
282	197				LAB	1,848	547	2,395	7.9%	3.2%	5.9%
283	198				LAB	2,069	632	2,701	7.9%	3.3%	5.9%
285	199				LAB	1,803	480	2,283	7.9%	3.0%	5.9%
286	200				LAB	1,554	576	2,130	7.7%	3.6%	5.9%
287	201				LAB	1,840	631	2,471	7.2%	3.7%	5.8%
288	202				CON	2,368	931	3,299	7.6%	3.7%	5.8%
289	203				LAB	1,932	601	2,533	7.8%	3.2%	5.8%
291	204				LAB	1,811	521	2,332	8.0%	3.0%	5.8%
293	205				LAB	1,973	670	2,643	7.6%	3.4%	5.8%
294	206				LAB	2,050	599	2,649	7.9%	3.0%	5.8%
295	207				LAB	2,137	614	2,751	7.9%	2.9%	5.7%
296	208				CON	1,612	449	2,061	8.0%	2.8%	5.7%
297	209				LAB	1,866	588	2,454	7.9%	3.1%	5.7%
298	210				LAB	2,016	577	2,593	7.9%	2.9%	5.7%
299	211				LAB	1,989	584	2,573	7.7%	3.0%	5.7%
300	212				LAB	1,726	682	2,408	7.2%	3.7%	5.7%
302	213				LAB	2,234	803	3,037	7.5%	3.4%	5.7%
303	214				LD	1,780	615	2,395	7.6%	3.2%	5.7%
305	215				LAB	1,615	545	2,160	7.5%	3.2%	5.6%
306	216				LAB	1,673	665	2,338	7.5%	3.5%	5.6%
309	217				LAB	1,985	593	2,578	7.3%	3.1%	5.6%
310	218				LD	1,701	570	2,271	7.6%	3.1%	5.6%
311	219				LD	1,797	594	2,391	7.2%	3.3%	5.6%
312	220				LAB	2,050	710	2,760	7.2%	3.3%	5.6%
313	221				LAB	1,678	461	2,139	7.8%	2.7%	5.5%
314	222				LAB	2,074	673	2,747	7.2%	3.2%	5.5%
315	223				LAB	1,980	743	2,723	7.1%	3.4%	5.5%
317	224				LAB	1,902	842	2,744	6.7%	3.8%	5.4%

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318	225				LAB	2,158	664	2,822	7.4%	2.9%	5.4%
320	226				LAB	1,894	431	2,325	7.7%	2.3%	5.4%
322	227				LAB	2,024	645	2,669	7.4%	2.9%	5.4%
325	228				LAB	1,826	634	2,460	6.9%	3.2%	5.3%
326	229				LD	1,332	411	1,743	7.0%	3.0%	5.3%
328	230				CON	2,070	676	2,746	6.9%	3.1%	5.3%
329	231				LAB	1,980	556	2,536	7.3%	2.7%	5.3%
330	232				LD	1,821	562	2,383	6.8%	3.1%	5.3%
331	233				LAB	1,958	537	2,495	7.3%	2.6%	5.3%
332	234				LAB	1,578	483	2,061	7.0%	2.9%	5.3%
333	235				CON	1,564	509	2,073	6.8%	3.1%	5.3%
334	236				LAB	1,769	457	2,226	7.5%	2.4%	5.3%
336	237				CON	1,671	522	2,193	6.8%	3.0%	5.2%
337	238				LAB	2,131	884	3,015	6.7%	3.4%	5.2%
338	239				LAB	1,372	592	1,964	6.6%	3.5%	5.2%
342	240				LAB	1,398	520	1,918	6.8%	3.2%	5.2%
343	241				LAB	1,517	487	2,004	6.6%	3.1%	5.2%
344	242				LAB	1,655	459	2,114	7.0%	2.7%	5.2%
345	243				LAB	1,973	672	2,645	6.6%	3.1%	5.2%
346	244				LD	1,721	540	2,261	7.0%	2.8%	5.1%
347	245				LAB	1,751	525	2,276	6.8%	2.8%	5.1%
348	246				LAB	1,930	551	2,481	6.9%	2.7%	5.1%
349	247				LAB	1,543	534	2,077	6.7%	3.0%	5.1%
351	248				LD	1,171	513	1,684	6.4%	3.5%	5.1%
352	249				LAB	1,649	508	2,157	6.7%	2.9%	5.1%
353	250				LAB	1,897	618	2,515	6.8%	2.9%	5.1%
354	251				LAB	1,672	458	2,130	6.9%	2.6%	5.1%
355	252				LAB	1,502	431	1,933	6.8%	2.7%	5.1%
356	253				LAB	1,660	562	2,222	6.5%	3.1%	5.1%
357	254				LAB	1,651	549	2,200	6.7%	2.9%	5.1%
358	255				CON	1,595	513	2,108	6.7%	2.8%	5.0%
359	256				LAB	1,737	573	2,310	6.5%	3.0%	5.0%
360	257				LAB	1,576	617	2,193	6.3%	3.3%	5.0%
361	258				LAB	1,625	536	2,161	6.5%	2.9%	5.0%
362	259				CON	1,884	616	2,500	6.8%	2.8%	5.0%
363	260				LAB	1,739	435	2,174	7.0%	2.3%	5.0%
364	261				LAB	1,751	537	2,288	6.6%	2.8%	5.0%
365	262				LAB	1,699	567	2,266	6.4%	3.0%	5.0%
366	263				LAB	1,527	520	2,047	6.4%	3.0%	5.0%
367	264				LAB	1,625	522	2,147	6.5%	2.9%	5.0%
368	265				LAB	1,832	788	2,620	6.1%	3.4%	4.9%
369	266				LD	1,542	504	2,046	6.5%	2.9%	4.9%
370	267				LAB	1,527	573	2,100	6.1%	3.2%	4.9%
371	268				LAB	1,680	465	2,145	6.8%	2.5%	4.9%
373	269				LAB	1,469	564	2,033	6.3%	3.1%	4.9%
374	270				LAB	1,669	540	2,209	6.4%	2.8%	4.9%
376	271				LAB	1,396	393	1,789	6.5%	2.5%	4.8%
377	272				LAB	1,550	485	2,035	6.4%	2.7%	4.8%
378	273				LAB	1,577	492	2,069	6.4%	2.7%	4.8%
380	274				LAB	1,439	576	2,015	6.0%	3.1%	4.7%
381	275				LAB	1,675	525	2,200	6.3%	2.7%	4.7%
382	276				LAB	1,532	479	2,011	6.3%	2.7%	4.7%
383	277				CON	1,369	440	1,809	6.5%	2.5%	4.7%
384	278				CON	1,770	963	2,733	5.5%	3.7%	4.7%
385	279				CON	1,630	394	2,024	6.5%	2.1%	4.7%
386	280				LAB	1,635	610	2,245	5.8%	3.1%	4.7%

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389	281				Chingford & Woodford Green	CON	1,333	507	1,840	5.9%	3.0%	4.7%
390	282				Torridge & West Devon	LD	1,487	539	2,026	5.8%	3.0%	4.6%
391	283				Gainsborough	CON	1,230	509	1,739	5.5%	3.3%	4.6%
392	284				Totnes	CON	1,203	474	1,677	5.7%	3.1%	4.6%
394	285				South East Cornwall	LD	1,463	498	1,961	5.8%	2.8%	4.6%
395	286				North East Cambridgeshire	CON	1,499	578	2,077	5.5%	3.1%	4.5%
396	287				Beverley & Holderness	CON	1,393	564	1,957	5.6%	3.1%	4.5%
397	288				Telford	LAB	1,375	384	1,759	6.1%	2.3%	4.5%
398	289				Louth & Horncastle	CON	1,238	453	1,691	5.5%	3.0%	4.5%
400	290				Taunton *	LD	1,609	521	2,130	6.0%	2.5%	4.5%
401	291				Worsley	LAB	1,485	455	1,940	6.0%	2.4%	4.5%
402	292				Worcester	LAB	1,419	472	1,891	5.9%	2.6%	4.5%
405	293				Hereford *>	LD	1,390	538	1,928	5.6%	2.9%	4.5%
407	294				Harlow	LAB	1,473	517	1,990	5.7%	2.7%	4.4%
408	295				Morley & Rothwell	LAB	1,509	444	1,953	6.1%	2.3%	4.4%
409	296				North Devon	LD	1,407	479	1,886	5.7%	2.7%	4.4%
411	297				South Dorset	CON	1,391	387	1,778	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
412	298				Chatham & Aylesford	LAB	1,687	491	2,178	5.8%	2.4%	4.4%
413	299				Stourbridge	LAB	1,453	464	1,917	5.7%	2.5%	4.4%
414	300				Erewash	LAB	1,723	526	2,249	5.8%	2.4%	4.4%
415	301				Gedling	LAB	1,470	537	2,007	5.7%	2.6%	4.4%
416	302				Oldham East & Saddleworth	LAB	1,668	495	2,163	6.0%	2.3%	4.3%
417	303				Northampton South	LAB	1,652	581	2,233	5.6%	2.6%	4.3%
418	304				North Norfolk	CON	1,306	442	1,748	5.5%	2.7%	4.3%
419	305				Denton & Reddish	LAB	1,496	481	1,977	5.8%	2.4%	4.3%
420	306				Warrington North	LAB	1,537	463	2,000	5.7%	2.4%	4.3%
421	307				Colne Valley	LAB	1,486	520	2,006	5.6%	2.6%	4.3%
422	308				Colchester	LD	1,509	543	2,052	5.4%	2.7%	4.3%
423	309				Bexleyheath & Crayford	LAB	1,287	515	1,802	5.3%	2.9%	4.3%
425	310				Normanton	LAB	1,265	431	1,696	5.6%	2.5%	4.3%
426	311				Cannock Chase	LAB	1,460	513	1,973	5.4%	2.7%	4.3%
427	312				Stoke-on-Trent South	LAB	1,477	423	1,900	5.8%	2.2%	4.2%
428	313				Amber Valley	LAB	1,440	496	1,936	5.4%	2.6%	4.2%
429	314				Loughborough	LAB	1,235	513	1,748	5.2%	2.9%	4.2%
430	315				Chipping Barnet	CON	1,368	562	1,930	5.3%	2.8%	4.2%
432	316				Calder Valley	LAB	1,493	531	2,024	5.5%	2.5%	4.2%
433	317				Lancaster & Wyre	LAB	1,236	537	1,773	5.2%	2.9%	4.2%
434	318				Stevenage	LAB	1,432	479	1,911	5.4%	2.5%	4.2%
436	319				Ashford	CON	1,458	451	1,909	5.4%	2.3%	4.1%
437	320				Castle Point	LAB	1,305	477	1,782	5.1%	2.7%	4.1%
438	321				Poole	CON	1,216	323	1,539	5.6%	2.0%	4.1%
439	322				Milton Keynes South West	LAB	1,426	509	1,935	5.3%	2.5%	4.1%
441	323				Teignbridge	CON	1,356	458	1,814	5.4%	2.4%	4.1%
442	324				Suffolk Coastal	CON	1,342	471	1,813	5.1%	2.6%	4.1%
443	325				Upminster	LAB	1,084	354	1,438	5.3%	2.4%	4.1%
444	326				Aldridge - Brownhills	CON	1,239	441	1,680	5.1%	2.5%	4.0%
445	327				Shipley	LAB	1,310	464	1,774	5.4%	2.4%	4.0%
446	328				Carshalton & Wallington	LD	1,339	466	1,805	5.3%	2.4%	4.0%
447	329				Wells	CON	1,211	450	1,661	5.0%	2.6%	4.0%
449	330				Billericay	CON	1,454	482	1,936	5.1%	2.4%	4.0%
450	331				Selby	LAB	1,271	516	1,787	4.8%	2.7%	3.9%
451	332				Nuneaton	LAB	1,399	439	1,838	5.1%	2.2%	3.9%
452	333				Tamworth	LAB	1,221	504	1,725	4.7%	2.8%	3.9%
454	334				Newcastle-under-Lyme	LAB	1,176	402	1,578	5.1%	2.3%	3.9%
455	335				Harrow West	LAB	1,367	541	1,908	5.0%	2.5%	3.9%
456	336				Pendle	LAB	1,157	354	1,511	5.2%	2.1%	3.9%

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457	337				LAB	1,351	492	1,843	4.9%	2.4%	3.9%
458	338				LAB	1,213	492	1,705	4.9%	2.5%	3.8%
459	339				CON	1,229	432	1,661	4.8%	2.4%	3.8%
460	340				LAB	1,201	410	1,611	5.1%	2.2%	3.8%
461	341				LAB	1,254	454	1,708	4.9%	2.3%	3.8%
462	342				LAB	1,232	361	1,593	5.2%	1.9%	3.8%
463	343				LAB	1,185	395	1,580	5.0%	2.1%	3.7%
464	344				CON	1,062	389	1,451	4.7%	2.4%	3.7%
465	345				LAB	1,244	485	1,729	4.5%	2.5%	3.7%
466	346				LAB	1,397	451	1,848	5.0%	2.1%	3.7%
467	347				CON	1,217	457	1,674	4.6%	2.4%	3.7%
468	348				LAB	1,288	463	1,751	4.7%	2.3%	3.7%
469	349				CON	1,255	511	1,766	4.5%	2.5%	3.7%
470	350				CON	876	309	1,185	4.8%	2.2%	3.7%
471	351				LAB	1,308	466	1,774	4.8%	2.2%	3.7%
472	352				CON	1,212	480	1,692	4.5%	2.4%	3.6%
474	353				CON	1,083	411	1,494	4.6%	2.3%	3.6%
475	354				CON	1,193	453	1,646	4.5%	2.4%	3.6%
476	355				LAB	1,226	493	1,719	4.4%	2.5%	3.6%
477	356				CON	1,265	551	1,816	4.2%	2.7%	3.6%
478	357				LAB	1,053	382	1,435	4.5%	2.3%	3.6%
479	358				CON	1,130	462	1,592	4.5%	2.4%	3.6%
480	359				LAB	1,332	440	1,772	4.7%	2.0%	3.6%
481	360				CON	1,225	416	1,641	4.7%	2.1%	3.6%
482	361				CON	1,067	420	1,487	4.3%	2.4%	3.5%
483	362				LD	1,362	506	1,868	4.6%	2.2%	3.5%
485	363				CON	1,283	471	1,754	4.5%	2.2%	3.5%
486	364				LAB	1,247	403	1,650	4.7%	2.0%	3.5%
487	365				LAB	1,195	410	1,605	4.6%	2.1%	3.5%
489	366				CON	1,055	456	1,511	4.2%	2.5%	3.5%
490	367				LAB	1,185	407	1,592	4.6%	2.0%	3.5%
491	368				LAB	1,023	349	1,372	4.5%	2.1%	3.5%
492	369				CON	1,089	375	1,464	4.4%	2.2%	3.5%
493	370				LAB	1,309	461	1,770	4.6%	2.1%	3.5%
494	371				LD	1,240	566	1,806	4.3%	2.5%	3.5%
495	372				CON	1,172	484	1,656	4.2%	2.4%	3.5%
496	373				LAB	1,294	438	1,732	4.5%	2.0%	3.4%
497	374				CON	1,004	361	1,365	4.3%	2.2%	3.4%
498	375				CON	889	318	1,207	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
500	376				LAB	1,281	382	1,663	4.6%	1.8%	3.4%
502	377				CON	1,121	478	1,599	4.2%	2.4%	3.4%
503	378				LAB	1,075	389	1,464	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
504	379				LAB	1,204	375	1,579	4.5%	1.9%	3.4%
505	380				LD	1,117	394	1,511	4.3%	2.1%	3.4%
506	381				LAB	904	398	1,302	3.9%	2.5%	3.4%
507	382				LAB	1,132	391	1,523	4.4%	2.0%	3.3%
508	383				LAB	991	331	1,322	4.3%	2.0%	3.3%
509	384				CON	1,066	340	1,406	4.2%	2.0%	3.3%
510	385				CON	1,129	405	1,534	4.2%	2.1%	3.3%
511	386				CON	1,182	409	1,591	4.3%	2.0%	3.3%
512	387				LAB	1,242	446	1,688	4.2%	2.0%	3.3%
513	388				LD	851	328	1,179	4.2%	2.1%	3.3%
514	389				CON	1,082	361	1,443	4.4%	1.9%	3.3%
515	390				CON	1,058	461	1,519	4.1%	2.3%	3.3%
516	391				CON	897	279	1,176	4.4%	1.8%	3.3%
517	392				LAB	1,104	451	1,555	4.0%	2.2%	3.3%



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518	393				Sleaford & North Hykeham	CON	990	379	1,369	4.0%	2.2%	3.3%
519	394				Watford	LAB	1,293	374	1,667	4.4%	1.7%	3.3%
520	395				South West Devon	CON	993	385	1,378	4.1%	2.1%	3.2%
521	396				Worthing West	CON	895	261	1,156	4.5%	1.6%	3.2%
522	397				Twickenham	LD	1,183	456	1,639	4.1%	2.0%	3.2%
524	398				North West Cambridgeshire	CON	1,116	409	1,525	4.0%	2.0%	3.2%
525	399				South Staffordshire	CON	1,143	403	1,546	4.1%	2.0%	3.2%
526	400				Somerton & Frome *	LD	1,004	418	1,422	3.8%	2.3%	3.2%
527	401				Reading East	LAB	1,231	332	1,563	4.3%	1.6%	3.2%
528	402				Harrogate & Knaresborough	LD	928	364	1,292	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
529	403				East Devon	CON	784	278	1,062	4.1%	1.9%	3.2%
530	404				Leominster <*	CON	886	338	1,224	3.8%	2.2%	3.2%
531	405				Rossendale & Darwen	LAB	1,054	390	1,444	4.1%	2.0%	3.2%
532	406				South Suffolk	CON	948	345	1,293	3.9%	2.0%	3.1%
533	407				West Chelmsford	CON	1,195	403	1,598	4.0%	1.9%	3.1%
534	408				Kettering	LAB	1,102	410	1,512	4.0%	2.0%	3.1%
535	409				Haltemprice & Howden	CON	837	383	1,220	3.7%	2.3%	3.1%
536	410				Orpington	CON	1,207	422	1,629	4.0%	1.9%	3.1%
537	411				Croydon South	CON	1,151	405	1,556	4.0%	1.8%	3.1%
538	412				Bolton West	LAB	905	313	1,218	4.0%	1.8%	3.1%
539	413				Wycombe	CON	1,243	335	1,578	4.1%	1.5%	3.0%
540	414				East Worthing & Shoreham	CON	967	338	1,305	4.0%	1.8%	3.0%
542	415				Staffordshire Moorlands	LAB	984	350	1,334	3.9%	1.9%	3.0%
543	416				Richmond	CON	902	392	1,294	3.5%	2.3%	3.0%
544	417				Wrekin, The	LAB	824	307	1,131	3.7%	2.0%	3.0%
545	418				Tiverton & Honiton	CON	922	388	1,310	3.6%	2.1%	3.0%
546	419				New Forest West	CON	747	228	975	3.9%	1.6%	2.9%
547	420				Sutton & Cheam	LD	919	346	1,265	3.8%	1.8%	2.9%
548	421				Ludlow	CON	767	299	1,066	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
549	422				West Worcestershire	CON	821	297	1,118	3.7%	1.8%	2.9%
550	423				Bury St Edmunds	CON	947	403	1,350	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
551	424				Lichfield	CON	837	373	1,210	3.4%	2.1%	2.9%
553	425				Christchurch	CON	692	254	946	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
554	426				Tonbridge & Malling	CON	889	310	1,199	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
555	427				West Dorset	CON	740	315	1,055	3.5%	2.0%	2.8%
556	428				Reading West	LAB	1,112	294	1,406	3.9%	1.4%	2.8%
557	429				Ruislip - Northwood	CON	852	289	1,141	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
558	430				Crawley	LAB	1,013	334	1,347	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
559	431				West Suffolk	CON	1,033	443	1,476	3.3%	2.1%	2.8%
560	432				South West Bedfordshire	CON	1,002	397	1,399	3.5%	1.9%	2.8%
561	433				Solihull	CON	1,004	412	1,416	3.5%	1.9%	2.8%
562	434				West Derbyshire	CON	859	366	1,225	3.4%	2.0%	2.8%
563	435				Hazel Grove	LD	889	278	1,167	3.8%	1.5%	2.8%
564	436				Rayleigh	CON	900	355	1,255	3.4%	1.9%	2.8%
566	437				South Ribble	LAB	948	353	1,301	3.6%	1.7%	2.8%
567	438				Bury North	LAB	946	326	1,272	3.6%	1.6%	2.8%
568	439				Mid Dorset & North Poole	CON	866	297	1,163	3.5%	1.6%	2.7%
569	440				Congleton	CON	848	317	1,165	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
570	441				Ryedale	CON	742	283	1,025	3.4%	1.8%	2.7%
571	442				Hertsmere	CON	858	329	1,187	3.4%	1.8%	2.7%
572	443				North Swindon	LAB	919	304	1,223	3.6%	1.6%	2.7%
573	444				Sevenoaks	CON	858	309	1,167	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
574	445				Penrith & The Border	CON	774	314	1,088	3.2%	1.9%	2.7%
575	446				East Hampshire	CON	1,000	315	1,315	3.5%	1.5%	2.6%
576	447				Tewkesbury	CON	807	319	1,126	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
577	448				Tatton	IND	796	247	1,043	3.5%	1.5%	2.6%

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578	449				Macclesfield	CON	957	294	1,251	3.6%	1.4%	2.6%
579	450				Tunbridge Wells	CON	883	269	1,152	3.6%	1.4%	2.6%
580	451				Hemel Hempstead	LAB	945	324	1,269	3.4%	1.6%	2.6%
581	452				Harborough	CON	795	365	1,160	3.1%	1.8%	2.5%
582	453				Huntingdon	CON	964	418	1,382	3.0%	1.9%	2.5%
583	454				Pudsey	LAB	857	329	1,186	3.3%	1.6%	2.5%
584	455				Aylesbury	CON	1,051	366	1,417	3.3%	1.5%	2.5%
585	456				North Essex	CON	756	276	1,032	3.1%	1.6%	2.5%
586	457				Salisbury	CON	946	349	1,295	3.2%	1.6%	2.5%
587	458				Mid Worcestershire	CON	739	315	1,054	3.1%	1.8%	2.5%
588	459				Devizes	CON	925	359	1,284	3.1%	1.7%	2.5%
589	460				Brentwood & Ongar	CON	808	277	1,085	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%
590	461				Welwyn Hatfield	LAB	839	284	1,123	3.3%	1.5%	2.5%
591	462				Chichester	CON	804	281	1,085	3.3%	1.5%	2.5%
593	463				Wansdyke <*	LAB	765	345	1,110	3.0%	1.8%	2.5%
594	464				Stratford-on-Avon	CON	877	380	1,257	3.0%	1.7%	2.4%
595	465				North East Hertfordshire	CON	798	284	1,082	3.1%	1.5%	2.4%
596	466				New Forest East	CON	757	250	1,007	3.1%	1.4%	2.4%
597	467				South Holland & The Deepings	CON	645	313	958	2.7%	1.9%	2.4%
598	468				North Wiltshire	CON	827	344	1,171	2.9%	1.7%	2.4%
599	469				North East Bedfordshire	CON	719	291	1,010	2.9%	1.6%	2.4%
600	470				Hitchin & Harpenden	CON	775	254	1,029	3.0%	1.4%	2.3%
601	471				Basingstoke *	CON	984	316	1,300	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
602	472				Fylde	CON	723	225	948	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
603	473				Skipton & Ripon	CON	721	296	1,017	2.8%	1.6%	2.3%
604	474				Daventry	CON	816	376	1,192	2.6%	1.7%	2.2%
605	475				Cheadle	CON	710	258	968	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
606	476				Saffron Walden	CON	723	337	1,060	2.5%	1.7%	2.2%
607	477				Charnwood	CON	769	326	1,095	2.8%	1.5%	2.2%
608	478				Fareham	CON	710	270	980	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%
609	479				Vale of York	CON	662	305	967	2.6%	1.7%	2.2%
610	480				Spelthorne	CON	838	281	1,119	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
611	481				Banbury	CON	847	307	1,154	2.7%	1.4%	2.2%
612	482				Romsey	CON	693	234	927	2.8%	1.3%	2.2%
613	483				St Albans	LAB	710	277	987	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%
614	484				Eastleigh	LD	775	244	1,019	2.9%	1.2%	2.2%
615	485				Stone	CON	636	278	914	2.6%	1.6%	2.1%
616	486				South East Cambridgeshire	CON	733	329	1,062	2.6%	1.6%	2.1%
617	487				South West Hertfordshire	CON	751	252	1,003	2.7%	1.3%	2.1%
618	488				Woodspring	CON	671	249	920	2.7%	1.3%	2.1%
619	489				North Dorset	CON	552	240	792	2.5%	1.5%	2.1%
620	490				Bosworth	CON	633	292	925	2.5%	1.5%	2.0%
621	491				Oxford West & Abingdon	LD	713	301	1,014	2.6%	1.4%	2.0%
622	492				Esher & Walton	CON	719	258	977	2.6%	1.3%	2.0%
623	493				Mid Bedfordshire	CON	605	290	895	2.4%	1.6%	2.0%
624	494				Northavon	LD	743	332	1,075	2.4%	1.5%	2.0%
625	495				Blaby	CON	679	280	959	2.5%	1.4%	2.0%
626	496				Windsor	CON	736	257	993	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
627	497				Hertford & Stortford	CON	704	278	982	2.5%	1.3%	2.0%
628	498				Maidenhead	CON	725	206	931	2.7%	1.0%	2.0%
629	499				Westmorland & Lonsdale	CON	572	232	804	2.6%	1.3%	2.0%
630	500				Epsom & Ewell	CON	714	239	953	2.6%	1.1%	2.0%
631	501				Runnymede & Weybridge	CON	709	240	949	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
632	502				Reigate	CON	616	208	824	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
633	503				Rutland & Melton	CON	626	261	887	2.4%	1.4%	2.0%
634	504				Winchester	LD	705	252	957	2.5%	1.2%	2.0%

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635	505				CON	550	220	770	2.4%	1.3%	1.9%
636	506				CON	636	254	890	2.5%	1.3%	1.9%
637	507				CON	800	260	1,060	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
638	508				CON	611	263	874	2.3%	1.3%	1.9%
639	509				CON	710	233	943	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
640	510				CON	854	297	1,151	2.3%	1.1%	1.8%
641	511				CON	632	238	870	2.3%	1.2%	1.8%
642	512				CON	507	191	698	2.3%	1.2%	1.8%
643	513				CON	577	255	832	2.1%	1.3%	1.8%
644	514				CON	623	226	849	2.2%	1.1%	1.8%
645	515				CON	660	224	884	2.3%	1.0%	1.8%
646	516				CON	598	217	815	2.2%	1.1%	1.7%
647	517				CON	597	230	827	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
648	518				CON	497	186	683	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
649	519				CON	573	215	788	2.0%	1.1%	1.7%
650	520				LD	627	197	824	2.2%	0.9%	1.7%
651	521				CON	595	248	843	2.0%	1.2%	1.6%
652	522				CON	556	179	735	2.1%	0.9%	1.6%
653	523				CON	540	243	783	1.8%	1.2%	1.6%
654	524				CON	525	169	694	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
655	525				CON	566	180	746	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
656	526				CON	490	185	675	1.9%	1.0%	1.5%
657	527				CON	479	143	622	1.8%	0.8%	1.4%
658	528				CON	495	179	674	1.6%	0.8%	1.3%
659	529				CON	395	137	532	1.4%	0.7%	1.1%
England						965,910	310,745	1,276,655	7.3%	3.2%	5.5%

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**B. Wales (not seasonally adjusted)**

Rank by overall

unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate				
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
111		1			Swansea West	LAB	2,031	591	2,622	11.6%	4.5%	8.6%
112		2			Cardiff South & Penarth	LAB	2,516	593	3,109	12.1%	3.8%	8.5%
113		3			Blaenau Gwent	LAB	1,988	553	2,541	11.3%	4.6%	8.5%
118		4			Cardiff Central	LAB	2,135	729	2,864	11.3%	4.8%	8.4%
125		5			Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	LAB	2,059	488	2,547	11.5%	3.9%	8.3%
126		6			Conwy	LAB	1,866	510	2,376	11.6%	4.0%	8.3%
133		7			Ynys-Mon	PC	1,846	607	2,453	10.3%	5.1%	8.2%
138		8			Cardiff West	LAB	2,301	589	2,890	11.5%	3.8%	8.2%
150		9			Caernarfon	PC	1,595	460	2,055	10.5%	4.3%	8.0%
151		10			Preseli Pembrokeshire	LAB	1,945	540	2,485	10.4%	4.3%	7.9%
172		11			Cynon Valley	LAB	1,629	422	2,051	10.6%	3.8%	7.7%
173		12			Rhondda	LAB	1,857	470	2,327	10.2%	3.8%	7.6%
178		13			Llanelli	LAB	1,759	531	2,290	10.0%	4.2%	7.6%
179		14			Carmarthen West & South Pembrokeshire	LAB	1,822	479	2,301	10.2%	3.8%	7.6%
185		15			Newport West	LAB	1,963	604	2,567	9.9%	4.0%	7.4%
191		16			Caerphilly	LAB	2,132	559	2,691	10.0%	3.6%	7.3%
220		17			Swansea East	LAB	1,907	429	2,336	9.6%	2.9%	6.7%
234		18			Aberavon	LAB	1,356	403	1,759	8.7%	3.6%	6.6%
248		19			Newport East	LAB	1,614	512	2,126	8.3%	3.7%	6.4%
249		20			Neath	LAB	1,479	448	1,927	8.4%	3.5%	6.3%
257		21			Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	PC	886	277	1,163	8.1%	3.6%	6.2%
269		22			Vale of Clwyd	LAB	1,356	353	1,709	8.6%	2.9%	6.1%
281		23			Ogmore	LAB	1,365	432	1,797	7.8%	3.4%	5.9%
284		24			Torfaen	LAB	1,638	511	2,149	7.8%	3.3%	5.9%
292		25			Ceredigion	PC	1,122	470	1,592	6.9%	4.1%	5.8%
304		26			Vale of Glamorgan	LAB	1,791	610	2,401	7.3%	3.4%	5.6%
321		27			Bridgend	LAB	1,344	503	1,847	6.9%	3.4%	5.4%
323		28			Carmarthen East & Dinefwr	LAB	1,147	369	1,516	6.8%	3.2%	5.3%
324		29			Pontypridd	LAB	1,592	486	2,078	7.2%	2.9%	5.3%
339		30			Wrexham	LAB	1,204	392	1,596	6.9%	3.0%	5.2%
340		31			Gower	LAB	1,219	424	1,643	6.8%	3.1%	5.2%
350		32			Islwyn	LAB	1,140	367	1,507	6.7%	3.0%	5.1%
375		33			Clwyd West <*	LAB	1,104	302	1,406	6.7%	2.4%	4.9%
410		34			Clwyd South *>	LAB	1,008	333	1,341	5.6%	2.7%	4.4%
431		35			Brecon & Radnorshire	LD	891	354	1,245	5.1%	2.9%	4.2%
435		36			Monmouth	LAB	1,031	425	1,456	5.1%	2.8%	4.1%
440		37			Delyn	LAB	1,003	318	1,321	5.4%	2.3%	4.1%
448		38			Alyn & Deeside	LAB	1,102	357	1,459	5.2%	2.3%	4.0%
473		39			Cardiff North	LAB	910	297	1,207	5.0%	2.0%	3.6%
552		40			Montgomeryshire	LD	514	212	726	3.4%	2.0%	2.9%
Wales							61,167	18,309	79,476	8.4%	3.5%	6.3%

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Rank by overall

unemployment rate					Party	Claimants			Rate			
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI		Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
13			1		Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	3,416	1,067	4,483	19.9%	8.0%	14.7%
24			2		Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	2,590	583	3,173	18.8%	6.0%	13.5%
28			3		Glasgow Springburn	LAB	2,992	805	3,797	18.7%	6.2%	13.1%
37			4		Glasgow Kelvin	LAB	2,743	987	3,730	16.1%	7.2%	12.1%
55			5		Glasgow Govan	LAB	2,725	741	3,466	15.0%	5.2%	10.7%
58			6		Glasgow Baillieston	LAB	2,661	640	3,301	15.0%	4.8%	10.6%
62			7		Glasgow Pollok	LAB	2,478	649	3,127	14.7%	5.0%	10.5%
63			8		Dundee East	LAB	2,911	878	3,789	14.4%	5.4%	10.4%
70			9		Dundee West	LAB	2,561	765	3,326	14.5%	5.0%	10.1%
75			10		Glasgow Anniesland	LAB	2,112	521	2,633	14.5%	4.3%	9.8%
85			11		Kirkcaldy	LAB	2,217	743	2,960	12.5%	5.5%	9.4%
87			12		Western Isles	LAB	971	301	1,272	11.6%	5.9%	9.4%
90			13		Cunninghame South	LAB	2,168	786	2,954	12.1%	5.9%	9.4%
107			14		Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross	LD	1,728	448	2,176	11.3%	4.5%	8.6%
116			15		Kilmarnock & Loudoun	LAB	2,400	842	3,242	11.1%	5.1%	8.5%
117			16		Motherwell & Wishaw	LAB	1,923	515	2,438	11.7%	4.2%	8.5%
121			17		Central Fife	LAB	2,206	735	2,941	11.1%	4.8%	8.4%
131			18		Airdrie & Shotts	LAB	2,291	697	2,988	10.9%	4.6%	8.2%
136			19		Clydebank & Milngavie	LAB	1,983	501	2,484	11.6%	3.8%	8.2%
140			20		Cunninghame North	LAB	1,892	637	2,529	10.5%	4.9%	8.1%
144			21		Hamilton North & Bellshill	LAB	2,151	651	2,802	10.7%	4.4%	8.0%
146			22		Paisley North	LAB	1,771	581	2,352	11.1%	4.3%	8.0%
152			23		Coatbridge & Chryston	LAB	1,804	581	2,385	10.5%	4.5%	7.9%
153			24		Edinburgh Central	LAB	1,976	723	2,699	10.9%	4.5%	7.9%
154			25		Glasgow Rutherglen	LAB	1,707	485	2,192	10.9%	4.0%	7.9%
155			26		Paisley South	LAB	2,083	575	2,658	11.3%	3.8%	7.9%
156			27		Dunfermline East	LAB	1,908	599	2,507	10.3%	4.5%	7.9%
161			28		Glasgow Cathcart	LAB	1,717	545	2,262	10.8%	4.2%	7.8%
162			29		Ross, Skye & Inverness West	LD	2,046	568	2,614	10.4%	4.1%	7.8%
164			30		Ayr	LAB	1,783	656	2,439	10.0%	4.9%	7.8%
169			31		Dumbarton	LAB	2,269	634	2,903	10.6%	4.0%	7.8%
175			32		Edinburgh North & Leith	LAB	2,409	773	3,182	10.8%	4.0%	7.6%
176			33		Hamilton South	LAB	1,616	457	2,073	10.4%	3.9%	7.6%
182			34		Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley	LAB	2,311	708	3,019	9.9%	4.2%	7.5%
199			35		Ochil	LAB	1,759	605	2,364	9.3%	4.2%	7.1%
203			36		Falkirk West	LAB	1,735	568	2,303	9.4%	4.0%	7.0%
213			37		Angus	SNP	1,798	755	2,553	8.5%	4.7%	6.9%
221			38		Greenock & Inverclyde	LAB	1,504	477	1,981	9.2%	3.6%	6.7%
243			39		Aberdeen Central	LAB	1,528	528	2,056	8.7%	3.7%	6.4%
252			40		Edinburgh South	LAB	1,507	572	2,079	8.5%	3.7%	6.3%
255			41		Galloway & Upper Nithsdale	SNP	1,501	488	1,989	8.0%	3.7%	6.2%
276			42		Argyll & Bute	LD	1,398	432	1,830	7.9%	3.4%	6.0%
277			43		Cumbernauld & Kilsyth	LAB	1,426	504	1,930	7.9%	3.5%	6.0%
278			44		Dunfermline West	LAB	1,471	492	1,963	7.8%	3.5%	6.0%
279			45		Dumfries	LAB	1,750	604	2,354	7.8%	3.5%	6.0%
280			46		Clydesdale	LAB	1,787	510	2,297	8.0%	3.1%	5.9%
290			47		Falkirk East	LAB	1,602	519	2,121	7.8%	3.3%	5.8%
301			48		Edinburgh East & Musselburgh	LAB	1,636	390	2,026	8.4%	2.4%	5.7%
307			49		Perth	SNP	1,537	523	2,060	7.6%	3.2%	5.6%
308			50		Moray	SNP	1,463	602	2,065	6.6%	4.1%	5.6%
316			51		Inverness East, Nairn & Lochaber	LAB	1,713	546	2,259	7.3%	3.0%	5.4%
319			52		Stirling	LAB	1,309	425	1,734	7.3%	3.0%	5.4%
327			53		Edinburgh Pentlands	LAB	1,478	495	1,973	7.3%	2.9%	5.3%
341			54		East Kilbride	LAB	1,652	621	2,273	6.8%	3.2%	5.2%
372			55		Strathkelvin & Bearsden	LAB	1,481	558	2,039	6.4%	3.0%	4.9%
387			56		Linlithgow	LAB	1,294	377	1,671	6.4%	2.4%	4.7%

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Rank by overall

unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate				
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
388			57		Livingston	LAB	1,365	475	1,840	6.2%	2.7%	4.7%
393			58		North Tayside	SNP	1,220	482	1,702	5.8%	3.0%	4.6%
399			59		West Renfrewshire	LAB	1,104	374	1,478	6.0%	2.6%	4.5%
403			60		East Lothian	LAB	1,169	354	1,523	6.0%	2.4%	4.5%
404			61		North East Fife	LD	997	424	1,421	5.4%	3.1%	4.5%
406			62		Midlothian	LAB	1,071	290	1,361	6.3%	2.1%	4.4%
424			63		Eastwood	LAB	1,224	513	1,737	5.3%	2.9%	4.3%
453			64		Edinburgh West	LD	1,254	359	1,613	5.5%	1.9%	3.9%
484			65		Orkney & Shetland	LD	535	214	749	4.2%	2.5%	3.5%
488			66		Banff & Buchan	SNP	925	358	1,283	4.1%	2.5%	3.5%
499			67		Aberdeen South	LAB	978	386	1,364	4.3%	2.2%	3.4%
501			68		Roxburgh & Berwickshire	LD	744	271	1,015	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
523			69		Aberdeen North	LAB	869	289	1,158	4.3%	1.8%	3.2%
541			70		Tweeddale, Ettrick & Lauderdale	LD	713	261	974	4.0%	1.8%	3.0%
565			71		Gordon	LD	695	338	1,033	3.1%	2.2%	2.8%
592			72		West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine	LD	626	313	939	2.8%	2.0%	2.5%
					Scotland		124,337	39,669	164,006	9.1%	3.8%	6.8%

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**D. Northern Ireland (not seasonally adjusted)**

UK	Eng	Wal	Sco	NI	Party	Claimants			Rate			
						Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
8				1	Belfast West	SF	4,918	770	5,688	24.1%	5.4%	16.4%
10				2	Foyle	SDLP	4,882	1,184	6,066	21.2%	7.9%	16.0%
21				3	Belfast North	UU	3,466	754	4,220	19.1%	5.9%	13.6%
27				4	West Tyrone	UU	3,359	897	4,256	16.4%	7.6%	13.2%
42				5	Newry & Armagh	SDLP	3,571	1,027	4,598	14.5%	6.9%	11.6%
46				6	Fermanagh & South Tyrone	UU	2,935	964	3,899	13.5%	7.6%	11.3%
49				7	East Londonderry	UU	2,903	935	3,838	13.7%	6.9%	11.0%
51				8	Belfast South	UU	2,941	1,396	4,337	13.6%	7.6%	10.8%
61				9	Mid Ulster	SF	2,515	810	3,325	12.6%	6.9%	10.5%
88				10	South Down	SDLP	2,658	979	3,637	11.2%	6.6%	9.4%
145				11	North Antrim	DU	2,555	796	3,351	10.0%	4.9%	8.0%
159				12	Belfast East	DU	2,300	628	2,928	11.0%	3.9%	7.9%
187				13	East Antrim	UU	2,216	738	2,954	9.4%	4.4%	7.3%
231				14	Upper Bann	UU	2,057	728	2,785	8.3%	4.2%	6.6%
245				15	North Down	UKU	1,622	715	2,337	7.7%	4.7%	6.4%
266				16	Strangford	UU	1,837	638	2,475	7.8%	3.8%	6.1%
335				17	South Antrim	UU	1,679	655	2,334	6.5%	3.5%	5.3%
379				18	Lagan Valley	UU	1,490	617	2,107	5.7%	3.4%	4.8%
Northern Ireland							49,904	15,231	65,135	12.3%	5.5%	9.6%

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Rank by % change (largest fall first)					Unemployed Claimants		Change Jul 96 - Jul 97			
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI	Party	Jul 96	Jul 97	Number	Percentage	
656		39			Aberavon	LAB	1,965	1,759	-206	-10.5%
340			12		Aberdeen Central	LAB	2,830	2,056	-774	-27.3%
167			3		Aberdeen North	LAB	1,754	1,158	-596	-34.0%
165			2		Aberdeen South	LAB	2,069	1,364	-705	-34.1%
609			50		Airdrie & Shotts	LAB	3,599	2,988	-611	-17.0%
150	146				Aldershot	CON	1,762	1,151	-611	-34.7%
233	216				Aldridge - Brownhills	CON	2,435	1,680	-755	-31.0%
170	163				Altrincham & Sale West	CON	2,184	1,443	-741	-33.9%
178		3			Alyn & Deeside	LAB	2,191	1,459	-732	-33.4%
313	284				Amber Valley	LAB	2,691	1,936	-755	-28.1%
606			49		Angus	SNP	3,085	2,553	-532	-17.2%
457			21		Argyll & Bute	LD	2,408	1,830	-578	-24.0%
10	10				Arundel & South Downs	CON	1,342	698	-644	-48.0%
379	336				Ashfield	LAB	3,696	2,731	-965	-26.1%
219	203				Ashford	CON	2,785	1,909	-876	-31.5%
258	238				Ashton under Lyne	LAB	3,614	2,536	-1,078	-29.8%
83	83				Aylesbury	CON	2,267	1,417	-850	-37.5%
507			29		Ayr	LAB	3,145	2,439	-706	-22.4%
20	20				Banbury	CON	2,107	1,154	-953	-45.2%
277			8		Banff & Buchan	SNP	1,810	1,283	-527	-29.1%
510	437				Barking *	LAB	3,402	2,646	-756	-22.2%
602	506				Barnsley Central	LAB	3,314	2,732	-582	-17.6%
541	461				Barnsley East & Mexborough	LAB	3,726	2,956	-770	-20.7%
584	492				Barnsley West & Penistone	LAB	2,757	2,236	-521	-18.9%
470	405				Barrow & Furness	LAB	3,602	2,752	-850	-23.6%
239	221				Basildon	LAB	3,814	2,645	-1,169	-30.7%
72	72				Basingstoke *	CON	2,101	1,300	-801	-38.1%
421	368				Bassetlaw	LAB	3,416	2,557	-859	-25.1%
173	166				Bath *>	LD	3,608	2,395	-1,213	-33.6%
337	303				Batley & Spen	LAB	2,934	2,130	-804	-27.4%
188	176				Battersea	LAB	5,388	3,622	-1,766	-32.8%
29	29				Beaconsfield	CON	1,459	832	-627	-43.0%
160	155				Beckenham	CON	3,800	2,500	-1,300	-34.2%
397	350				Bedford	LAB	3,556	2,643	-913	-25.7%
252			8		Belfast East	DU	4,179	2,928	-1,251	-29.9%
427			15		Belfast North	UU	5,621	4,220	-1,401	-24.9%
185			4		Belfast South	UU	6,461	4,337	-2,124	-32.9%
363			12		Belfast West	SF	7,777	5,688	-2,089	-26.9%
265	245				Berwick-upon-Tweed	LD	2,475	1,743	-732	-29.6%
386	341				Bethnal Green & Bow	LAB	8,680	6,425	-2,255	-26.0%
413	362				Beverley & Holderness	CON	2,626	1,957	-669	-25.5%
116	115				Bexhill & Battle	CON	1,842	1,185	-657	-35.7%
230	213				Bexleyheath & Crayford	LAB	2,616	1,802	-814	-31.1%
92	92				Billericay	CON	3,068	1,936	-1,132	-36.9%
620	515				Birkenhead	LAB	5,772	4,819	-953	-16.5%
439	381				Birmingham, Edgbaston	LAB	4,546	3,431	-1,115	-24.5%
479	412				Birmingham, Erdington	LAB	5,239	4,018	-1,221	-23.3%
483	416				Birmingham, Hall Green	LAB	3,417	2,624	-793	-23.2%
453	392				Birmingham, Hodge Hill	LAB	4,731	3,591	-1,140	-24.1%
548	465				Birmingham, Ladywood	LAB	10,201	8,111	-2,090	-20.5%
466	402				Birmingham, Northfield	LAB	3,302	2,518	-784	-23.7%
368	328				Birmingham, Perry Barr	LAB	5,729	4,203	-1,526	-26.6%
370	330				Birmingham, Selly Oak	LAB	4,743	3,486	-1,257	-26.5%
576	487				Birmingham, Sparkbrook & Small Heath	LAB	8,775	7,080	-1,695	-19.3%
284	261				Birmingham, Yardley	LAB	3,345	2,377	-968	-28.9%
644	523				Bishop Auckland	LAB	2,872	2,474	-398	-13.9%
104	103				Blaby	CON	1,507	959	-548	-36.4%
423	370				Blackburn	LAB	3,830	2,869	-961	-25.1%
403	355				Blackpool North & Fleetwood	LAB	2,993	2,226	-767	-25.6%
526	449				Blackpool South	LAB	3,763	2,956	-807	-21.4%



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638		35			Blaenau Gwent	LAB	2,974	2,541	-433	-14.6%
388	343				Blaydon	LAB	3,149	2,332	-817	-25.9%
478	411				Blyth Valley	LAB	3,326	2,549	-777	-23.4%
22	22				Bognor Regis & Littlehampton	CON	2,141	1,176	-965	-45.1%
288	264				Bolsover	LAB	3,206	2,283	-923	-28.8%
341	306				Bolton North East	LAB	3,200	2,325	-875	-27.3%
467	403				Bolton South East	LAB	3,176	2,423	-753	-23.7%
174	167				Bolton West	LAB	1,831	1,218	-613	-33.5%
564	478				Bootle	LAB	5,343	4,292	-1,051	-19.7%
40	40				Boston & Skegness	CON	2,498	1,451	-1,047	-41.9%
124	123				Bosworth	CON	1,434	925	-509	-35.5%
69	69				Bournemouth East	CON	3,335	2,061	-1,274	-38.2%
283	260				Bournemouth West	CON	3,532	2,508	-1,024	-29.0%
27	27				Bracknell	CON	1,873	1,060	-813	-43.4%
592	500				Bradford North	LAB	4,791	3,908	-883	-18.4%
530	452				Bradford South	LAB	3,713	2,924	-789	-21.2%
625	516				Bradford West	LAB	5,739	4,808	-931	-16.2%
129	128				Braintree	LAB	2,677	1,729	-948	-35.4%
385		18			Brecon & Radnorshire	LD	1,682	1,245	-437	-26.0%
273	252				Brent East	LAB	6,895	4,878	-2,017	-29.3%
342	307				Brent North	LAB	3,190	2,318	-872	-27.3%
499	427				Brent South	LAB	7,177	5,543	-1,634	-22.8%
196	184				Brentford & Isleworth	LAB	4,462	3,015	-1,447	-32.4%
48	48				Brentwood & Ongar	CON	1,832	1,085	-747	-40.8%
639		36			Bridgend	LAB	2,155	1,847	-308	-14.3%
446	387				Bridgwater	CON	2,901	2,193	-708	-24.4%
456	394				Brigg & Goole	LAB	2,638	2,004	-634	-24.0%
325	295				Brighton, Kemptown	LAB	4,999	3,615	-1,384	-27.7%
339	305				Brighton, Pavilion	LAB	6,453	4,688	-1,765	-27.4%
310	281				Bristol East	LAB	4,797	3,448	-1,349	-28.1%
206	194				Bristol North West	LAB	3,679	2,495	-1,184	-32.2%
449	388				Bristol South	LAB	4,642	3,512	-1,130	-24.3%
146	143				Bristol West	LAB	5,404	3,523	-1,881	-34.8%
151	147				Bromley & Chislehurst	CON	2,512	1,641	-871	-34.7%
281	258				Bromsgrove	CON	2,254	1,599	-655	-29.1%
56	56				Broxbourne	CON	2,538	1,534	-1,004	-39.6%
161	156				Broxtowe	LAB	2,695	1,774	-921	-34.2%
44	44				Buckingham	CON	1,163	683	-480	-41.3%
588	496				Bumley	LAB	1,961	1,593	-368	-18.8%
443	384				Burton	LAB	3,057	2,310	-747	-24.4%
60	60				Bury North	LAB	2,097	1,272	-825	-39.3%
192	180				Bury South	LAB	2,390	1,611	-779	-32.6%
108	107				Bury St Edmunds	CON	2,118	1,350	-768	-36.3%
513		29			Caernarfon	PC	2,637	2,055	-582	-22.1%
440		24			Caerphilly	LAB	3,564	2,691	-873	-24.5%
622			57		Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross	LD	2,601	2,176	-425	-16.3%
533	455				Calder Valley	LAB	2,563	2,024	-539	-21.0%
425	372				Camberwell & Peckham	LAB	7,415	5,559	-1,856	-25.0%
81	81				Cambridge	LAB	3,326	2,077	-1,249	-37.6%
194	182				Cannock Chase	LAB	2,925	1,973	-952	-32.5%
256	236				Canterbury	CON	3,005	2,108	-897	-29.9%
416		21			Cardiff Central	LAB	3,836	2,864	-972	-25.3%
218		4			Cardiff North	LAB	1,761	1,207	-554	-31.5%
407		20			Cardiff South & Penarth	LAB	4,176	3,109	-1,067	-25.6%
334		11			Cardiff West	LAB	3,985	2,890	-1,095	-27.5%
275	254				Carlisle	LAB	3,022	2,139	-883	-29.2%
381		17			Cardiff East & Dinefwr	LAB	2,050	1,516	-534	-26.0%
599		32			Cardiff West & South Pembrokeshire	LAB	2,802	2,301	-501	-17.9%
353			13		Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley	LAB	4,138	3,019	-1,119	-27.0%
135	132				Carshalton & Wallington	LD	2,786	1,805	-981	-35.2%

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143	140				LAB	2,742	1,782	-960	-35.0%
553			36		LAB	3,691	2,941	-750	-20.3%
274	253				CON	2,069	1,464	-605	-29.2%
332		10			PC	2,196	1,592	-604	-27.5%
123	122				CON	1,698	1,095	-603	-35.5%
117	116				LAB	3,385	2,178	-1,207	-35.7%
94	94				CON	1,533	968	-565	-36.9%
323	293				LD	3,131	2,261	-870	-27.8%
6	6				CON	1,363	694	-669	-49.1%
250	231				LAB	2,914	2,035	-879	-30.2%
535	456				LAB	3,740	2,959	-781	-20.9%
111	110				CON	1,693	1,085	-608	-35.9%
229	212				CON	2,674	1,840	-834	-31.2%
380	337				CON	2,610	1,930	-680	-26.1%
209	197				LAB	2,450	1,663	-787	-32.1%
58	58				CON	1,563	946	-617	-39.5%
503	431				CON	4,266	3,299	-967	-22.7%
600	504				LAB	3,443	2,836	-607	-17.6%
133		2			LAB	2,074	1,341	-733	-35.3%
103		1			LAB	2,211	1,406	-805	-36.4%
614			53		LAB	2,986	2,484	-502	-16.8%
566			39		LAB	2,858	2,297	-561	-19.6%
626			60		LAB	2,845	2,385	-460	-16.2%
144	141				LD	3,156	2,052	-1,104	-35.0%
400	353				LAB	2,698	2,006	-692	-25.6%
137	134				CON	1,797	1,165	-632	-35.2%
475		27			LAB	3,102	2,376	-726	-23.4%
572	484				LAB	3,323	2,677	-646	-19.4%
88	88				LAB	2,624	1,650	-974	-37.1%
31	31				CON	1,348	770	-578	-42.9%
364	324				LAB	5,190	3,800	-1,390	-26.8%
371	331				LAB	3,755	2,760	-995	-26.5%
316	287				LAB	4,085	2,943	-1,142	-28.0%
50	50				LAB	2,259	1,347	-912	-40.4%
321	291				LAB	2,866	2,069	-797	-27.8%
352	316				LAB	3,028	2,209	-819	-27.0%
348	312				LAB	4,873	3,551	-1,322	-27.1%
299	273				LAB	6,862	4,908	-1,954	-28.5%
91	91				CON	2,466	1,556	-910	-36.9%
579			43		LAB	2,387	1,930	-457	-19.1%
631			63		LAB	2,997	2,529	-468	-15.6%
630			62		LAB	3,501	2,954	-547	-15.6%
318		8			LAB	2,846	2,051	-795	-27.9%
177	169				LAB	3,268	2,176	-1,092	-33.4%
615	512				LAB	4,000	3,328	-672	-16.8%
405	357				LAB	2,957	2,200	-757	-25.6%
235	217				CON	1,725	1,192	-533	-30.9%
331		9			LAB	1,823	1,321	-502	-27.5%
253	233				LAB	2,821	1,977	-844	-29.9%
360	321				LAB	3,917	2,863	-1,054	-26.9%
502	430				LAB	5,866	4,534	-1,332	-22.7%
71	71				CON	2,076	1,284	-792	-38.2%
333	301				LAB	2,666	1,933	-733	-27.5%
552	469				LAB	3,365	2,680	-685	-20.4%
577	488				LAB	5,123	4,135	-988	-19.3%
464	400				LAB	4,051	3,088	-963	-23.8%
628	517				LAB	3,499	2,936	-563	-16.1%
450	389				LAB	3,815	2,890	-925	-24.2%
426	373				LAB	2,962	2,222	-740	-25.0%
298	272				LAB	6,874	4,915	-1,959	-28.5%

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546			34		Dumbarton	LAB	3,652	2,903	-749	-20.5%
437			20		Dumfries	LAB	3,121	2,354	-767	-24.6%
574			41		Dundee East	LAB	4,697	3,789	-908	-19.3%
623			58		Dundee West	LAB	3,972	3,326	-646	-16.3%
555			37		Dunfermline East	LAB	3,144	2,507	-637	-20.3%
378			14		Dunfermline West	LAB	2,658	1,963	-695	-26.1%
532	454				Durham, City of	LAB	2,737	2,160	-577	-21.1%
186	174				Ealing North *	LAB	4,524	3,037	-1,487	-32.9%
279	257				Ealing Southall	LAB	5,381	3,816	-1,565	-29.1%
441	382				Ealing, Acton & Shepherd's Bush	LAB	6,854	5,176	-1,678	-24.5%
506	434				Easington	LAB	2,865	2,220	-645	-22.5%
213			6		East Antrim	UU	4,335	2,954	-1,381	-31.9%
199	187				East Devon	CON	1,571	1,062	-509	-32.4%
409	360				East Ham	LAB	6,789	5,056	-1,733	-25.5%
115	114				East Hampshire	CON	2,045	1,315	-730	-35.7%
410			16		East Kilbride	LAB	3,052	2,273	-779	-25.5%
390			14		East Londonderry	UU	5,180	3,838	-1,342	-25.9%
494			27		East Lothian	LAB	1,975	1,523	-452	-22.9%
21	21				East Surrey	CON	1,611	884	-727	-45.1%
109	108				East Worthing & Shoreham	CON	2,047	1,305	-742	-36.2%
436	379				East Yorkshire	CON	2,750	2,073	-677	-24.6%
203	191				Eastbourne	CON	2,673	1,809	-864	-32.3%
19	19				Eastleigh	LD	1,869	1,019	-850	-45.5%
392			15		Eastwood	LAB	2,341	1,737	-604	-25.8%
307	279				Eccles	LAB	2,989	2,145	-844	-28.2%
212	199				Eddisbury	CON	2,006	1,365	-641	-32.0%
525			32		Edinburgh Central	LAB	3,436	2,699	-737	-21.4%
596			46		Edinburgh East & Musselburgh	LAB	2,474	2,026	-448	-18.1%
487			25		Edinburgh North & Leith	LAB	4,133	3,182	-951	-23.0%
619			55		Edinburgh Pentlands	LAB	2,365	1,973	-392	-16.6%
496			28		Edinburgh South	LAB	2,694	2,079	-615	-22.8%
434			19		Edinburgh West	LD	2,140	1,613	-527	-24.6%
489	420				Edmonton	LAB	4,786	3,685	-1,101	-23.0%
289	265				Ellesmere Port & Neston	LAB	2,824	2,011	-813	-28.8%
278	256				Elmet	LAB	2,245	1,592	-653	-29.1%
500	428				Eltham	LAB	3,398	2,625	-773	-22.7%
472	407				Enfield North	LAB	3,716	2,843	-873	-23.5%
311	282				Enfield, Southgate	LAB	3,350	2,408	-942	-28.1%
112	111				Epping Forest	CON	2,639	1,692	-947	-35.9%
16	16				Epsom & Ewell	CON	1,753	953	-800	-45.6%
191	179				Erewash	LAB	3,338	2,249	-1,089	-32.6%
536	457				Erith & Thamesmead	LAB	5,608	4,438	-1,170	-20.9%
28	28				Esher & Walton	CON	1,723	977	-746	-43.3%
357	319				Exeter	LAB	3,656	2,669	-987	-27.0%
594			45		Falkirk East	LAB	2,593	2,121	-472	-18.2%
571			40		Falkirk West	LAB	2,860	2,303	-557	-19.5%
362	323				Falmouth & Camborne	LAB	4,187	3,061	-1,126	-26.9%
11	11				Fareham	CON	1,873	980	-893	-47.7%
184	173				Faversham & Mid Kent	CON	2,477	1,661	-816	-32.9%
247	229				Feltham & Heston	LAB	3,947	2,747	-1,200	-30.4%
455			16		Fermanagh & South Tyrone	UU	5,133	3,899	-1,234	-24.0%
355	317				Finchley & Golders Green	LAB	3,759	2,744	-1,015	-27.0%
612	511				Folkestone & Hythe	CON	4,006	3,331	-675	-16.8%
96	96				Forest of Dean	LAB	2,057	1,302	-755	-36.7%
539			18		Foyle	SDLP	7,658	6,066	-1,592	-20.8%
162	157				Fylde	CON	1,440	948	-492	-34.2%
260	240				Gainsborough	CON	2,477	1,739	-738	-29.8%
292			9		Galloway & Upper Nithsdale	SNP	2,791	1,989	-802	-28.7%
406	358				Gateshead East & Washington West	LAB	3,438	2,558	-880	-25.6%
216	202				Gedling	LAB	2,940	2,007	-933	-31.7%

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101	101				Gillingham	LAB	3,537	2,245	-1,292	-36.5%
643			66		Glasgow Anniesland	LAB	3,060	2,633	-427	-14.0%
613			52		Glasgow Baillieston	LAB	3,969	3,301	-668	-16.8%
640			64		Glasgow Cathcart	LAB	2,636	2,262	-374	-14.2%
649			70		Glasgow Govan	LAB	3,984	3,466	-518	-13.0%
605			48		Glasgow Kelvin	LAB	4,516	3,730	-786	-17.4%
646			67		Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	5,184	4,483	-701	-13.5%
617			54		Glasgow Pollok	LAB	3,753	3,127	-626	-16.7%
578			42		Glasgow Rutherglen	LAB	2,715	2,192	-523	-19.3%
648			69		Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	3,658	3,173	-485	-13.3%
647			68		Glasgow Springburn	LAB	4,388	3,797	-591	-13.5%
471	406				Gloucester	LAB	3,692	2,822	-870	-23.6%
131			1		Gordon	LD	1,598	1,033	-565	-35.4%
270	249				Gosport	CON	2,330	1,646	-684	-29.4%
447		25			Gower	LAB	2,173	1,643	-530	-24.4%
246	228				Grantham & Stamford	CON	2,172	1,511	-661	-30.4%
210	198				Gravesham	LAB	3,796	2,578	-1,218	-32.1%
654	526				Great Grimsby	LAB	4,670	4,171	-499	-10.7%
650	524				Great Yarmouth	LAB	3,832	3,350	-482	-12.6%
627			61		Greenock & Inverclyde	LAB	2,363	1,981	-382	-16.2%
556	471				Greenwich & Woolwich	LAB	6,137	4,894	-1,243	-20.3%
41	41				Guildford	CON	1,620	943	-677	-41.8%
522	447				Hackney North & Stoke Newington	LAB	9,560	7,498	-2,062	-21.6%
559	474				Hackney South & Shoreditch	LAB	9,565	7,651	-1,914	-20.0%
349	313				Halesowen & Rowley Regis	LAB	2,960	2,157	-803	-27.1%
604	507				Halifax	LAB	3,877	3,202	-675	-17.4%
302	275				Haltemprice & Howden	CON	1,703	1,220	-483	-28.4%
542	462				Halton	LAB	3,771	2,996	-775	-20.6%
610			51		Hamilton North & Bellshill	LAB	3,374	2,802	-572	-17.0%
603			47		Hamilton South	LAB	2,514	2,073	-441	-17.5%
295	269				Hammersmith & Fulham	LAB	6,752	4,820	-1,932	-28.6%
445	386				Hampstead & Highgate	LAB	5,490	4,149	-1,341	-24.4%
361	322				Harborough	CON	1,587	1,160	-427	-26.9%
214	200				Harlow	LAB	2,917	1,990	-927	-31.8%
87	87				Harrogate & Knaresborough	LD	2,061	1,292	-769	-37.3%
408	359				Harrow East	LAB	3,519	2,620	-899	-25.5%
338	304				Harrow West	LAB	2,628	1,908	-720	-27.4%
653	525				Hartlepool	LAB	4,812	4,270	-542	-11.3%
293	267				Harwich	LAB	3,536	2,520	-1,016	-28.7%
394	347				Hastings & Rye	LAB	4,494	3,338	-1,156	-25.7%
208	196				Havant	CON	2,982	2,024	-958	-32.1%
322	292				Hayes & Harlington	LAB	2,835	2,047	-788	-27.8%
294	268				Hazel Grove	LD	1,637	1,167	-470	-28.7%
33	33				Hemel Hempstead	LAB	2,219	1,269	-950	-42.8%
347	311				Hemsworth	LAB	3,289	2,395	-894	-27.2%
537	458				Hendon	LAB	3,881	3,072	-809	-20.8%
7	7				Henley	CON	1,307	675	-632	-48.4%
327	297				Hereford *>	LD	2,664	1,928	-736	-27.6%
17	17				Hertford & Stortford	CON	1,806	982	-824	-45.6%
32	32				Hertsmere	CON	2,076	1,187	-889	-42.8%
166	160				Hexham	CON	1,829	1,207	-622	-34.0%
422	369				Heywood & Middleton	LAB	3,674	2,751	-923	-25.1%
282	259				High Peak	LAB	2,225	1,579	-646	-29.0%
73	73				Hitchin & Harpenden	CON	1,660	1,029	-631	-38.0%
585	493				Holborn & St Pancras	LAB	6,631	5,378	-1,253	-18.9%
141	138				Hornchurch	LAB	2,210	1,435	-775	-35.1%
241	223				Hornsey & Wood Green	LAB	7,430	5,160	-2,270	-30.6%
80	80				Horsham	CON	1,326	827	-499	-37.6%
350	314				Houghton & Washington East	LAB	3,646	2,657	-989	-27.1%
232	215				Hove	LAB	4,619	3,186	-1,433	-31.0%

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550	467				Huddersfield	LAB	4,252	3,384	-868	-20.4%
77	77				Huntingdon	CON	2,221	1,382	-839	-37.8%
393	346				Hyndburn	LAB	2,129	1,580	-549	-25.8%
377	335				Ilford North	LAB	2,971	2,193	-778	-26.2%
454	393				Ilford South *	LAB	5,280	4,010	-1,270	-24.1%
412			17		Inverness East, Nairn & Lochaber	LAB	3,032	2,259	-773	-25.5%
531	453				Ipswich	LAB	3,530	2,783	-747	-21.2%
523	448				Isle of Wight	LD	4,837	3,796	-1,041	-21.5%
527	450				Islington North	LAB	8,021	6,303	-1,718	-21.4%
512	439				Islington South & Finsbury	LAB	6,529	5,086	-1,443	-22.1%
291		6			Islwyn	LAB	2,115	1,507	-608	-28.7%
581	489				Jarrow	LAB	3,790	3,065	-725	-19.1%
415	364				Keighley	LAB	2,723	2,033	-690	-25.3%
156	151				Kensington & Chelsea	CON	4,172	2,733	-1,439	-34.5%
125	124				Kettering	LAB	2,344	1,512	-832	-35.5%
642			65		Kilmarnock & Loudoun	LAB	3,772	3,242	-530	-14.1%
220	204				Kingston & Surbiton	LD	2,724	1,868	-856	-31.4%
573	485				Kingston upon Hull East	LAB	4,649	3,747	-902	-19.4%
493	423				Kingston upon Hull North	LAB	5,885	4,538	-1,347	-22.9%
451	390				Kingston upon Hull West & Hessle	LAB	5,019	3,804	-1,215	-24.2%
183	172				Kingswood	LAB	2,645	1,772	-873	-33.0%
547			35		Kirkcaldy	LAB	3,723	2,960	-763	-20.5%
473	408				Knowsley North & Sefton East	LAB	5,006	3,834	-1,172	-23.4%
636	521				Knowsley South	LAB	5,356	4,565	-791	-14.8%
147				1	Lagan Valley	UU	3,228	2,107	-1,121	-34.7%
461	397				Lancaster & Wyre	LAB	2,329	1,773	-556	-23.9%
575	486				Leeds Central	LAB	6,501	5,245	-1,256	-19.3%
601	505				Leeds East	LAB	4,706	3,878	-828	-17.6%
477	410				Leeds North East	LAB	3,435	2,632	-803	-23.4%
387	342				Leeds North West	LAB	2,653	1,964	-689	-26.0%
485	418				Leeds West	LAB	3,830	2,945	-885	-23.1%
244	226				Leicester East	LAB	3,949	2,744	-1,205	-30.5%
468	404				Leicester South	LAB	5,286	4,036	-1,250	-23.6%
367	327				Leicester West	LAB	4,969	3,645	-1,324	-26.6%
329	299				Leigh	LAB	2,966	2,147	-819	-27.6%
110	109				Leominster <*	CON	1,917	1,224	-693	-36.2%
66	66				Lewes	LD	1,913	1,179	-734	-38.4%
356	318				Lewisham East	LAB	4,400	3,212	-1,188	-27.0%
463	399				Lewisham West	LAB	5,430	4,137	-1,293	-23.8%
343	308				Lewisham, Deptford	LAB	7,629	5,544	-2,085	-27.3%
255	235				Leyton & Wanstead	LAB	5,928	4,155	-1,773	-29.9%
171	164				Lichfield	CON	1,831	1,210	-621	-33.9%
351	315				Lincoln	LAB	4,773	3,479	-1,294	-27.1%
308			11		Linlithgow	LAB	2,328	1,671	-657	-28.2%
587	495				Liverpool, Garston	LAB	4,472	3,632	-840	-18.8%
586	494				Liverpool, Riverside	LAB	8,432	6,848	-1,584	-18.8%
618	514				Liverpool, Walton	LAB	6,244	5,203	-1,041	-16.7%
595	502				Liverpool, Wavertree	LAB	6,076	4,972	-1,104	-18.2%
607	508				Liverpool, West Derby	LAB	6,396	5,305	-1,091	-17.1%
217			6		Livingston	LAB	2,695	1,840	-855	-31.7%
633		33			Llanelli	LAB	2,696	2,290	-406	-15.1%
271	250				Loughborough	LAB	2,473	1,748	-725	-29.3%
300	274				Louth & Horncastle	CON	2,363	1,691	-672	-28.4%
231	214				Ludlow	CON	1,547	1,066	-481	-31.1%
240	222				Luton North	LAB	3,182	2,209	-973	-30.6%
330	300				Luton South	LAB	4,215	3,054	-1,161	-27.5%
290	266				Macclesfield	CON	1,756	1,251	-505	-28.8%
46	46				Maidenhead	CON	1,582	931	-651	-41.2%
105	104				Maidstone & The Weald	CON	2,498	1,591	-907	-36.3%
375	334				Makerfield	LAB	2,935	2,161	-774	-26.4%

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70	70				Maldon & East Chelmsford	CON	2,274	1,406	-868	-38.2%
428	374				Manchester, Blackley	LAB	4,806	3,609	-1,197	-24.9%
591	499				Manchester, Central	LAB	7,576	6,179	-1,397	-18.4%
554	470				Manchester, Gorton	LAB	5,910	4,710	-1,200	-20.3%
442	383				Manchester, Withington	LAB	5,104	3,855	-1,249	-24.5%
508	435				Mansfield	LAB	3,491	2,711	-780	-22.3%
314	285				Medway	LAB	3,432	2,471	-961	-28.0%
402		19			Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	PC	1,564	1,163	-401	-25.6%
287	263				Meriden	CON	3,857	2,746	-1,111	-28.8%
433		23			Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	LAB	3,384	2,547	-837	-24.7%
86	86				Mid Bedfordshire	CON	1,428	895	-533	-37.3%
57	57				Mid Dorset & North Poole	CON	1,924	1,163	-761	-39.6%
519	444				Mid Norfolk	CON	2,139	1,674	-465	-21.7%
14	14				Mid Sussex	CON	1,528	815	-713	-46.7%
152			2		Mid Ulster	SF	5,089	3,325	-1,764	-34.7%
51	51				Mid Worcestershire	CON	1,762	1,054	-708	-40.2%
561	476				Middlesbrough	LAB	6,948	5,573	-1,375	-19.8%
549	466				Middlesbrough South & East Cleveland	LAB	4,324	3,441	-883	-20.4%
459		22			Midlothian	LAB	1,790	1,361	-429	-24.0%
190	178				Milton Keynes South West	LAB	2,873	1,935	-938	-32.6%
383	339				Mitcham & Morden	LAB	4,132	3,058	-1,074	-26.0%
8	8				Mole Valley	CON	1,202	622	-580	-48.3%
303		7			Monmouth	LAB	2,032	1,456	-576	-28.3%
354		14			Montgomeryshire	LD	995	726	-269	-27.0%
524			31		Moray	SNP	2,629	2,065	-564	-21.5%
495	424				Morecambe & Lunesdale	LAB	3,282	2,532	-750	-22.9%
511	438				Morley & Rothwell	LAB	2,509	1,953	-556	-22.2%
515			30		Motherwell & Wishaw	LAB	3,128	2,438	-690	-22.1%
645		38			Neath	LAB	2,236	1,927	-309	-13.8%
18	18				New Forest East	CON	1,851	1,007	-844	-45.6%
79	79				New Forest West	CON	1,564	975	-589	-37.7%
435	378				Newark	LAB	2,786	2,100	-686	-24.6%
2	2				Newbury	LD	1,702	824	-878	-51.6%
398	351				Newcastle upon Tyne Central	LAB	5,038	3,745	-1,293	-25.7%
529	451				Newcastle upon Tyne East & Wallsend	LAB	5,035	3,960	-1,075	-21.4%
306	278				Newcastle upon Tyne North	LAB	3,705	2,658	-1,047	-28.3%
142	139				Newcastle-under-Lyme	LAB	2,429	1,578	-851	-35.0%
335		12			Newport East	LAB	2,931	2,126	-805	-27.5%
488		28			Newport West	LAB	3,334	2,567	-767	-23.0%
286			11		Newry & Armagh	SDLP	6,467	4,598	-1,869	-28.9%
312	283				Normanton	LAB	2,358	1,696	-662	-28.1%
228			7		North Antrim	DU	4,872	3,351	-1,521	-31.2%
187	175				North Cornwall	LD	3,546	2,383	-1,163	-32.8%
198	186				North Devon	LD	2,790	1,886	-904	-32.4%
93	93				North Dorset	CON	1,255	792	-463	-36.9%
211			5		North Down	UKU	3,438	2,337	-1,101	-32.0%
608	509				North Durham	LAB	3,075	2,552	-523	-17.0%
15	15				North East Bedfordshire	CON	1,872	1,010	-862	-46.0%
315	286				North East Cambridgeshire	CON	2,883	2,077	-806	-28.0%
276	255				North East Derbyshire	LAB	3,215	2,276	-939	-29.2%
301			10		North East Fife	LD	1,984	1,421	-563	-28.4%
106	105				North East Hampshire	CON	1,237	788	-449	-36.3%
35	35				North East Hertfordshire	CON	1,883	1,082	-801	-42.5%
264	244				North East Milton Keynes	LAB	2,280	1,605	-675	-29.6%
54	54				North Essex	CON	1,717	1,032	-685	-39.9%
399	352				North Norfolk	CON	2,351	1,748	-603	-25.6%
261	241				North Shropshire	CON	2,116	1,487	-629	-29.7%
429	375				North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	7,609	5,714	-1,895	-24.9%
43	43				North Swindon	LAB	2,090	1,223	-867	-41.5%
469			23		North Tayside	SNP	2,229	1,702	-527	-23.6%

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223	207				North Thanet	CON	4,438	3,050	-1,388	-31.3%
538	459				North Tyneside	LAB	4,187	3,316	-871	-20.8%
296	270				North Warwickshire	LAB	2,406	1,719	-687	-28.6%
138	135				North West Cambridgeshire	CON	2,352	1,525	-827	-35.2%
590	498				North West Durham	LAB	3,128	2,546	-582	-18.6%
172	165				North West Hampshire *	CON	1,275	843	-432	-33.9%
114	113				North West Leicestershire	LAB	2,058	1,322	-736	-35.8%
543	463				North West Norfolk	LAB	2,852	2,266	-586	-20.5%
42	42				North Wiltshire	CON	2,009	1,171	-838	-41.7%
444	385				Northampton North	LAB	3,328	2,515	-813	-24.4%
389	344				Northampton South	LAB	3,014	2,233	-781	-25.9%
25	25				Northavon	LD	1,952	1,075	-877	-44.9%
597	503				Norwich North	LAB	2,998	2,460	-538	-17.9%
589	497				Norwich South	LAB	4,353	3,542	-811	-18.6%
420	367				Nottingham East	LAB	7,538	5,641	-1,897	-25.2%
521	446				Nottingham North	LAB	4,948	3,878	-1,070	-21.6%
395	348				Nottingham South	LAB	5,159	3,832	-1,327	-25.7%
382	338				Nuneaton	LAB	2,484	1,838	-646	-26.0%
621			56		Ochil	LAB	2,826	2,364	-462	-16.3%
658		40			Ogmore	LAB	1,983	1,797	-186	-9.4%
176	168				Old Bexley & Sidcup	CON	2,391	1,592	-799	-33.4%
134	131				Oldham East & Saddleworth	LAB	3,341	2,163	-1,178	-35.3%
200	188				Oldham West & Royton	LAB	3,833	2,593	-1,240	-32.4%
652			72		Orkney & Shetland	LD	853	749	-104	-12.2%
65	65				Orpington	CON	2,645	1,629	-1,016	-38.4%
205	193				Oxford East	LAB	3,619	2,454	-1,165	-32.2%
102	102				Oxford West & Abingdon	LD	1,596	1,014	-582	-36.5%
562			38		Paisley North	LAB	2,930	2,352	-578	-19.7%
490			26		Paisley South	VAC	3,452	2,658	-794	-23.0%
326	296				Pendle	LAB	2,089	1,511	-578	-27.7%
221	205				Penrith & The Border	CON	1,586	1,088	-498	-31.4%
651			71		Perth	SNP	2,351	2,060	-291	-12.4%
257	237				Peterborough	LAB	4,121	2,891	-1,230	-29.8%
225	209				Plymouth, Devonport	LAB	4,762	3,274	-1,488	-31.2%
411	361				Plymouth, Sutton	LAB	6,409	4,774	-1,635	-25.5%
366	326				Pontefract & Castleford	LAB	3,181	2,331	-850	-26.7%
448		26			Pontypridd	LAB	2,747	2,078	-669	-24.4%
154	149				Poole	CON	2,352	1,539	-813	-34.6%
324	294				Poplar & Canning Town	LAB	8,078	5,841	-2,237	-27.7%
126	125				Portsmouth North	LAB	3,277	2,114	-1,163	-35.5%
417	365				Portsmouth South	LD	5,238	3,911	-1,327	-25.3%
641		37			Preseli Pembrokeshire	LAB	2,893	2,485	-408	-14.1%
540	460				Preston	LAB	4,356	3,454	-902	-20.7%
207	195				Pudsey	LAB	1,748	1,186	-562	-32.2%
159	154				Putney	LAB	3,555	2,338	-1,217	-34.2%
24	24				Rayleigh	CON	2,280	1,255	-1,025	-45.0%
30	30				Reading East	LAB	2,739	1,563	-1,176	-42.9%
49	49				Reading West	LAB	2,367	1,406	-961	-40.6%
593	501				Redcar	LAB	4,918	4,016	-902	-18.3%
465	401				Redditch	LAB	2,643	2,015	-628	-23.8%
517	442				Regent's Park & Kensington North	LAB	7,281	5,683	-1,598	-21.9%
26	26				Reigate	CON	1,467	824	-643	-43.8%
634		34			Rhondda	LAB	2,733	2,327	-406	-14.9%
119	118				Ribble Valley	CON	1,382	890	-492	-35.6%
226	210				Richmond	CON	1,882	1,294	-588	-31.2%
195	183				Richmond Park	LD	2,675	1,806	-869	-32.5%
557	472				Rochdale	LAB	3,937	3,148	-789	-20.0%
632	519				Rochford & Southend East	CON	4,997	4,233	-764	-15.3%
95	95				Romford	LAB	2,169	1,372	-797	-36.7%
74	74				Romsey	CON	1,495	927	-568	-38.0%

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624			59		Ross, Skye & Inverness West	LD	3,121	2,614	-507	-16.2%
384	340				Rossendale & Darwen	LAB	1,951	1,444	-507	-26.0%
558	473				Rother Valley	LAB	3,506	2,804	-702	-20.0%
659	529				Rotherham	LAB	4,057	3,698	-359	-8.8%
181			4		Roxburgh & Berwickshire	LD	1,518	1,015	-503	-33.1%
346	310				Rugby & Kenilworth	LAB	2,319	1,688	-631	-27.2%
140	137				Ruislip - Northwood	CON	1,758	1,141	-617	-35.1%
39	39				Runnymede & Weybridge	CON	1,637	949	-688	-42.0%
118	117				Rushcliffe	CON	2,725	1,754	-971	-35.6%
90	90				Rutland & Melton	CON	1,407	887	-520	-37.0%
157	152				Ryedale	CON	1,564	1,025	-539	-34.5%
59	59				Saffron Walden	CON	1,751	1,060	-691	-39.5%
269	248				Salford	LAB	4,121	2,911	-1,210	-29.4%
68	68				Salisbury	CON	2,096	1,295	-801	-38.2%
474	409				Scarborough & Whitby	LAB	3,307	2,533	-774	-23.4%
583	491				Scunthorpe	LAB	3,047	2,470	-577	-18.9%
582	490				Sedgefield	LAB	2,543	2,061	-482	-19.0%
304	276				Selby	LAB	2,493	1,787	-706	-28.3%
61	61				Sevenoaks	CON	1,916	1,167	-749	-39.1%
567	480				Sheffield, Attercliffe	LAB	3,529	2,837	-692	-19.6%
637	522				Sheffield, Brightside	LAB	4,795	4,092	-703	-14.7%
551	468				Sheffield, Central	LAB	7,643	6,084	-1,559	-20.4%
317	288				Sheffield, Hallam	LD	2,337	1,684	-653	-27.9%
491	421				Sheffield, Heeley	LAB	4,514	3,479	-1,035	-22.9%
424	371				Sheffield, Hillsborough	LAB	3,633	2,723	-910	-25.0%
373	332				Sherwood	LAB	3,112	2,288	-824	-26.5%
498	426				Shipley	LAB	2,297	1,774	-523	-22.8%
201	189				Shrewsbury & Atcham	LAB	2,251	1,523	-728	-32.3%
272	251				Sittingbourne & Sheppey	LAB	3,644	2,576	-1,068	-29.3%
148	144				Skipton & Ripon	CON	1,558	1,017	-541	-34.7%
180	171				Sleaford & North Hykeham	CON	2,051	1,369	-682	-33.3%
136	133				Slough	LAB	3,827	2,481	-1,346	-35.2%
222	206				Solihull	CON	2,063	1,416	-647	-31.4%
107	106				Somerton & Frome *	LD	2,232	1,422	-810	-36.3%
175			3		South Antrim	UU	3,506	2,334	-1,172	-33.4%
9	9				South Cambridgeshire	CON	1,688	874	-814	-48.2%
431	376				South Derbyshire	LAB	2,450	1,843	-607	-24.8%
242	224				South Dorset	CON	2,560	1,778	-782	-30.5%
280			10		South Down	SDLP	5,128	3,637	-1,491	-29.1%
38	38				South East Cambridgeshire	CON	1,834	1,062	-772	-42.1%
145	142				South East Cornwall	LD	3,014	1,961	-1,053	-34.9%
75	75				South Holland & The Deepings	CON	1,543	958	-585	-37.9%
309	280				South Norfolk	CON	2,304	1,656	-648	-28.1%
189	177				South Ribble	LAB	1,934	1,301	-633	-32.7%
611	510				South Shields	LAB	4,930	4,098	-832	-16.9%
98	98				South Staffordshire	CON	2,439	1,546	-893	-36.6%
179	170				South Suffolk	CON	1,938	1,293	-645	-33.3%
85	85				South Swindon	LAB	2,952	1,848	-1,104	-37.4%
492	422				South Thanet	LAB	3,417	2,634	-783	-22.9%
155	150				South West Bedfordshire	CON	2,136	1,399	-737	-34.5%
121	120				South West Devon	CON	2,137	1,378	-759	-35.5%
47	47				South West Hertfordshire	CON	1,698	1,003	-695	-40.9%
238	220				South West Norfolk	CON	2,619	1,816	-803	-30.7%
34	34				South West Surrey	CON	1,282	735	-547	-42.7%
139	136				Southampton, Itchen	LAB	4,503	2,920	-1,583	-35.2%
262	242				Southampton, Test	LAB	4,464	3,141	-1,323	-29.6%
501	429				Southend West	CON	3,356	2,593	-763	-22.7%
320	290				Southport	LD	3,149	2,271	-878	-27.9%
45	45				Spelthorne	CON	1,902	1,119	-783	-41.2%
64	64				St Albans	LAB	1,608	987	-621	-38.6%



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401	354				LAB	3,486	2,592	-894	-25.6%
486	419				LAB	3,856	2,966	-890	-23.1%
481	414				LD	3,687	2,830	-857	-23.2%
268	247				LAB	2,073	1,464	-609	-29.4%
516	441				LAB	1,711	1,334	-377	-22.0%
254	234				LAB	3,139	2,200	-939	-29.9%
84	84				LAB	3,054	1,911	-1,143	-37.4%
419			18		LAB	2,319	1,734	-585	-25.2%
432	377				LAB	2,889	2,174	-715	-24.7%
655	527				LAB	4,767	4,261	-506	-10.6%
568	481				LAB	4,045	3,254	-791	-19.6%
616	513				LAB	3,227	2,685	-542	-16.8%
460	396				LAB	2,351	1,789	-562	-23.9%
297	271				LAB	2,658	1,900	-758	-28.5%
76	76				CON	1,470	914	-556	-37.8%
374	333				LAB	2,606	1,917	-689	-26.4%
376			13		UU	3,361	2,475	-886	-26.4%
236	218				CON	1,816	1,257	-559	-30.8%
476		24			LAB	2,662	2,039	-623	-23.4%
438	380				LAB	8,554	6,452	-2,102	-24.6%
514	440				LAB	3,399	2,649	-750	-22.1%
215	201				LAB	2,279	1,555	-724	-31.8%
518	443				CON	2,317	1,813	-504	-21.8%
345	309				LAB	4,387	3,193	-1,194	-27.2%
391	345				LAB	5,642	4,185	-1,457	-25.8%
3	3				CON	1,353	674	-679	-50.2%
53	53				LD	2,112	1,265	-847	-40.1%
202	190				CON	2,245	1,519	-726	-32.3%
598		31			LAB	2,846	2,336	-510	-17.9%
544		30			LAB	3,300	2,622	-678	-20.5%
248	230				LAB	2,475	1,725	-750	-30.3%
158	153				IND	1,590	1,043	-547	-34.4%
227	211				LD	3,097	2,130	-967	-31.2%
263	243				CON	2,577	1,814	-763	-29.6%
358	320				LAB	2,409	1,759	-650	-27.0%
99	99				CON	1,775	1,126	-649	-36.6%
396	349				LAB	3,927	2,917	-1,010	-25.7%
149	145				CON	2,006	1,310	-696	-34.7%
153	148				CON	1,834	1,199	-635	-34.6%
336	302				LAB	5,558	4,033	-1,525	-27.4%
169	162				LD	4,098	2,706	-1,392	-34.0%
359		15			LAB	2,941	2,149	-792	-26.9%
193	181				LD	3,005	2,026	-979	-32.6%
168	161				CON	2,540	1,677	-863	-34.0%
545	464				LAB	10,334	8,213	-2,121	-20.5%
245	227				LD	3,438	2,391	-1,047	-30.5%
37	37				CON	2,003	1,152	-851	-42.5%
249			7		LD	1,397	974	-423	-30.3%
132	130				LD	2,535	1,639	-896	-35.3%
482	415				LAB	6,413	4,923	-1,490	-23.2%
462	398				LAB	3,632	2,767	-865	-23.8%
237	219				LAB	2,074	1,438	-636	-30.7%
267			9		UU	3,947	2,785	-1,162	-29.4%
197	185				CON	2,211	1,494	-717	-32.4%
234		5			LAB	2,477	1,709	-768	-31.0%
344		13			LAB	3,299	2,401	-898	-27.2%
78	78				CON	1,553	967	-586	-37.7%
560	475				LAB	9,540	7,640	-1,900	-19.9%
480	413				LAB	3,519	2,701	-818	-23.2%
629	518				LAB	4,684	3,950	-734	-15.7%

**IV Change in Unemployed Claimants July 1996 - 1997,**  
**United Kindom Constituencies**  
**A. (not seasonally adjusted) - alphabetical listing**

Rank by % change (largest fall first)					Unemployed Claimants		Change Jul 96 - Jul 97			
UK	Eng	Wal	Sco	NI	Party	Jul 96	Jul 97	Number	Percentage	
570	483				Walsall North	LAB	4,334	3,487	-847	-19.5%
563	477				Walsall South	LAB	4,553	3,656	-897	-19.7%
414	363				Walthamstow	LAB	5,758	4,292	-1,466	-25.5%
418	366				Wansbeck	LAB	3,685	2,754	-931	-25.3%
13	13				Wansdyke <*	LAB	2,102	1,110	-992	-47.2%
52	52				Wantage	CON	1,418	849	-569	-40.1%
319	289				Warley	LAB	4,402	3,173	-1,229	-27.9%
285	262				Warrington North	LAB	2,814	2,000	-814	-28.9%
404	356				Warrington South	LAB	2,296	1,708	-588	-25.6%
259	239				Warwick & Leamington	LAB	2,522	1,770	-752	-29.8%
97	97				Watford	LAB	2,630	1,667	-963	-36.6%
657	528				Waveney	LAB	4,003	3,590	-413	-10.3%
4	4				Wealden	CON	1,732	870	-862	-49.8%
569	482				Weaver Vale	LAB	3,203	2,577	-626	-19.5%
164	159				Wellingborough	LAB	2,630	1,732	-898	-34.1%
100	100				Wells	CON	2,617	1,661	-956	-36.5%
67	67				Welwyn Hatfield	LAB	1,818	1,123	-695	-38.2%
635	520				Wentworth	LAB	3,651	3,111	-540	-14.8%
182			5		West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine	LD	1,402	939	-463	-33.0%
509	436				West Bromwich East	LAB	4,148	3,226	-922	-22.2%
520	445				West Bromwich West	SPKR	4,401	3,447	-954	-21.7%
130	129				West Chelmsford	CON	2,474	1,598	-876	-35.4%
251	232				West Derbyshire	CON	1,749	1,225	-524	-30.0%
122	121				West Dorset	CON	1,636	1,055	-581	-35.5%
458	395				West Ham	LAB	7,228	5,495	-1,733	-24.0%
504	432				West Lancashire	LAB	3,327	2,573	-754	-22.7%
534			33		West Renfrewshire	LAB	1,871	1,478	-393	-21.0%
127	126				West Suffolk	CON	2,288	1,476	-812	-35.5%
528				17	West Tyrone	UU	5,415	4,256	-1,159	-21.4%
204	192				West Worcestershire	CON	1,650	1,118	-532	-32.2%
243	225				Westbury	CON	2,542	1,766	-776	-30.5%
580			44		Western Isles	LAB	1,573	1,272	-301	-19.1%
36	36				Westmorland & Lonsdale	CON	1,399	804	-595	-42.5%
163	158				Weston-Super-Mare	LD	3,107	2,046	-1,061	-34.1%
484	417				Wigan	LAB	3,327	2,555	-772	-23.2%
113	112				Wimbledon	LAB	2,655	1,705	-950	-35.8%
23	23				Winchester	LD	1,740	957	-783	-45.0%
63	63				Windsor	CON	1,628	993	-635	-39.0%
452	391				Wirral South	LAB	2,527	1,918	-609	-24.1%
505	433				Wirral West	LAB	2,751	2,130	-621	-22.6%
12	12				Witney	CON	1,495	783	-712	-47.6%
62	62				Woking	CON	1,224	746	-478	-39.1%
1	1				Wokingham	CON	1,171	532	-639	-54.6%
365	325				Wolverhampton North East	LAB	4,109	3,011	-1,098	-26.7%
328	298				Wolverhampton South East	LAB	4,026	2,914	-1,112	-27.6%
266	246				Wolverhampton South West	LAB	4,150	2,927	-1,223	-29.5%
5	5				Woodspring	CON	1,814	920	-894	-49.3%
128	127				Worcester	LAB	2,931	1,891	-1,040	-35.5%
565	479				Workington	LAB	3,555	2,857	-698	-19.6%
497	425				Worsley	LAB	2,512	1,940	-572	-22.8%
120	119				Worthing West	CON	1,794	1,156	-638	-35.6%
89	89				Wrekin, The	LAB	1,796	1,131	-665	-37.0%
372		16			Wrexham	LAB	2,171	1,596	-575	-26.5%
55	55				Wycombe	CON	2,617	1,578	-1,039	-39.7%
82	82				Wyre Forest	LAB	2,803	1,751	-1,052	-37.5%
369	329				Wythenshawe & Sale East	LAB	4,401	3,229	-1,172	-26.6%
224	208				Yeovil *	LD	2,198	1,511	-687	-31.3%
430		22			Ynys-Mon	PC	3,265	2,453	-812	-24.9%
305	277				York, City of	LAB	4,134	2,964	-1,170	-28.3%
United Kingdom							2,158,073	1,585,272	-572,801	-26.5%

**IV Change in Unemployed Claimants July 1996 - 1997,  
United Kingdom Constituencies  
B. (not seasonally adjusted) - highest and lowest**

Rank by % change (largest fall first)					Unemployed Claimants		Change Jul 96 - Jul 97			
UK	Eng	Wal	Scot	NI	Party	Jul 96	Jul 97	Number	Percentage	
1	1				Wokingham	CON	1,171	532	-639	-54.6%
2	2				Newbury	LD	1,702	824	-878	-51.6%
3	3				Surrey Heath	CON	1,353	674	-679	-50.2%
4	4				Wealden	CON	1,732	870	-862	-49.8%
5	5				Woodspring	CON	1,814	920	-894	-49.3%
6	6				Chesham & Amersham	CON	1,363	694	-669	-49.1%
7	7				Henley	CON	1,307	675	-632	-48.4%
8	8				Mole Valley	CON	1,202	622	-580	-48.3%
9	9				South Cambridgeshire	CON	1,688	874	-814	-48.2%
10	10				Arundel & South Downs	CON	1,342	698	-644	-48.0%
11	11				Fareham	CON	1,873	980	-893	-47.7%
12	12				Witney	CON	1,495	783	-712	-47.6%
13	13				Wansdyke <*	LAB	2,102	1,110	-992	-47.2%
14	14				Mid Sussex	CON	1,528	815	-713	-46.7%
15	15				North East Bedfordshire	CON	1,872	1,010	-862	-46.0%
16	16				Epsom & Ewell	CON	1,753	953	-800	-45.6%
17	17				Hertford & Stortford	CON	1,806	982	-824	-45.6%
18	18				New Forest East	CON	1,851	1,007	-844	-45.6%
19	19				Eastleigh	LD	1,869	1,019	-850	-45.5%
20	20				Banbury	CON	2,107	1,154	-953	-45.2%
21	21				East Surrey	CON	1,611	884	-727	-45.1%
22	22				Bognor Regis & Littlehampton	CON	2,141	1,176	-965	-45.1%
23	23				Winchester	LD	1,740	957	-783	-45.0%
24	24				Rayleigh	CON	2,280	1,255	-1,025	-45.0%
25	25				Northavon	LD	1,952	1,075	-877	-44.9%
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635	520				Wentworth	LAB	3,651	3,111	-540	-14.8%
636	521				Knowsley South	LAB	5,356	4,565	-791	-14.8%
637	522				Sheffield, Brightside	LAB	4,795	4,092	-703	-14.7%
638		35			Blaenau Gwent	LAB	2,974	2,541	-433	-14.6%
639		36			Bridgend	LAB	2,155	1,847	-308	-14.3%
640			64		Glasgow Cathcart	LAB	2,636	2,262	-374	-14.2%
641			37		Preseli Pembrokeshire	LAB	2,893	2,485	-408	-14.1%
642			65		Kilmarnock & Loudoun	LAB	3,772	3,242	-530	-14.1%
643			66		Glasgow Anniesland	LAB	3,060	2,633	-427	-14.0%
644	523				Bishop Auckland	LAB	2,872	2,474	-398	-13.9%
645		38			Neath	LAB	2,236	1,927	-309	-13.8%
646			67		Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	5,184	4,483	-701	-13.5%
647			68		Glasgow Springburn	LAB	4,388	3,797	-591	-13.5%
648			69		Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	3,658	3,173	-485	-13.3%
649			70		Glasgow Govan	LAB	3,984	3,466	-518	-13.0%
650	524				Great Yarmouth	LAB	3,832	3,350	-482	-12.6%
651			71		Perth	SNP	2,351	2,060	-291	-12.4%
652			72		Orkney & Shetland	LD	853	749	-104	-12.2%
653	525				Hartlepool	LAB	4,812	4,270	-542	-11.3%
654	526				Great Grimsby	LAB	4,670	4,171	-499	-10.7%
655	527				Stockton North	LAB	4,767	4,261	-506	-10.6%
656		39			Aberavon	LAB	1,965	1,759	-206	-10.5%
657	528				Waveney	LAB	4,003	3,590	-413	-10.3%
658		40			Ogmore	LAB	1,983	1,797	-186	-9.4%
659	529				Rotherham	LAB	4,057	3,698	-359	-8.8%
United Kingdom							2,158,073	1,585,272	-572,801	-26.5%

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