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Unemployment by Constituency, December 1998

This paper shows the number of unemployed claimants recorded as resident in each constituency in the United Kingdom in December 1998, together with comparisons with the level in December 1997 and December 1996. 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).

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Summary of main points

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.

Also shown in the paper are comparisons between the level of unemployment in each constituency presently with that one year and two years previously. Data for the current constituencies are not available prior to January 1996.

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I Introduction

These unemployment rates 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.¹

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*.

On 22 April 1998 the Office for National Statistics made changes to the way in which labour market statistics (including unemployment statistics) are presented. Greater weight is now given to data from the Labour Force Survey, and to the International Labour Organisation (ILO) definition of unemployment. The ILO definition is now used as the "headline" measure of unemployment, but figures from the monthly count of unemployed claimants will continue to be published. There has been no change to the way in which unemployment is calculated; only to the presentation of the statistics. In December 1998 there were 1,310,800 people unemployed on the claimant count definition, compared to an average of 1,791,000 unemployed on the ILO definition over the three months September to November 1998.²

The changes outlined above will have no effect on the residence-based unemployment rates contained in this Paper. The Office for National Statistics is, however, in the process of making changes to the range of unemployment statistics published for small areas (including constituencies). ONS now publishes workplace-based unemployment rates for all local authority districts and unitary authorities. These supplement the workplace-based rates already published each month for travel-to-work areas (TTWAs). In the longer term, there is the possibility of ONS also publishing workplace-based unemployment rates for constituencies, and ILO unemployment rates for smaller areas than at present.

¹ These denominators are now rather out-of-date. To the extent that the economically active population resident in a particular constituency has grown since 1991, the unemployment rates in this Paper will over-estimate the true rate of unemployment. Likewise, where the economically population has declined since 1991 the rates shown will under-estimate the true rate of unemployment. The continued use of 1991 Census denominators will be reviewed once the Review of Small Area Unemployment Rates by ONS is concluded.

² Both figures are given on a seasonally adjusted basis.

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.

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	IND	Independent
SL	Scottish Labour		

**II Residence-based unemployment rates by parliamentary constituency,
United Kingdom, December 1998
A. (not seasonally adjusted) - alphabetical listing**

Rank by overall
unemployment rate

UK	Eng	Wal	Sco	NI	Party	Claimants			Rate			
						Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
213		19			Aberavon	LAB	1,216	334	1,550	7.8%	3.0%	5.8%
321			48		Aberdeen Central	LAB	1,139	284	1,423	6.5%	2.0%	4.5%
568			70		Aberdeen North	LAB	621	150	771	3.0%	0.9%	2.1%
522			69		Aberdeen South	LAB	791	193	984	3.5%	1.1%	2.5%
148			23		Airdrie & Shotts	LAB	1,876	557	2,433	8.9%	3.7%	6.7%
637	507				Aldershot	CON	636	206	842	1.7%	0.8%	1.4%
439	320				Aldridge - Brownhills	CON	1,001	348	1,349	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
546	419				Altrincham & Sale West	CON	806	187	993	3.2%	1.0%	2.3%
399		36			Alyn & Deeside	LAB	1,028	299	1,327	4.8%	1.9%	3.6%
418	302				Amber Valley	LAB	1,181	407	1,588	4.4%	2.1%	3.5%
286			45		Angus	SNP	1,318	470	1,788	6.3%	2.9%	4.8%
151			24		Argyll & Bute	LD	1,483	555	2,038	8.3%	4.3%	6.7%
641	511				Arundel & South Downs	CON	385	115	500	1.7%	0.7%	1.3%
258	180				Ashfield	LAB	1,821	470	2,291	7.1%	2.5%	5.2%
432	314				Ashford	CON	1,185	354	1,539	4.4%	1.8%	3.3%
357	254				Ashton under Lyne	LAB	1,573	367	1,940	5.8%	1.8%	4.1%
581	453				Aylesbury	CON	853	263	1,116	2.7%	1.1%	2.0%
185		32			Ayr	LAB	1,451	481	1,932	8.2%	3.6%	6.2%
625	495				Banbury	CON	615	178	793	2.0%	0.8%	1.5%
474		68			Banff & Buchan	SNP	795	251	1,046	3.6%	1.8%	2.9%
182	126				Barking *	LAB	1,399	470	1,869	7.9%	3.8%	6.2%
165	115				Barnsley Central	LAB	1,938	458	2,396	9.0%	2.9%	6.4%
153	108				Barnsley East & Mexborough	LAB	2,007	491	2,498	8.9%	3.2%	6.6%
246	171				Barnsley West & Penistone	LAB	1,583	418	2,001	7.4%	2.6%	5.4%
238	165				Barrow & Furness	LAB	1,954	460	2,414	7.6%	2.5%	5.5%
393	281				Basildon	LAB	1,360	530	1,890	4.6%	2.5%	3.7%
617	487				Basingstoke *	CON	637	247	884	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
251	175				Bassettlaw	LAB	1,717	477	2,194	7.0%	2.8%	5.3%
407	292				Bath *>	LD	1,113	392	1,505	4.8%	2.1%	3.6%
365	260				Batley & Spen	LAB	1,345	328	1,673	5.6%	1.8%	4.0%
268	188				Battersea	LAB	1,834	692	2,526	6.8%	2.9%	5.0%
639	509				Beaconsfield	CON	441	165	606	1.6%	0.8%	1.3%
371	265				Beckenham	CON	1,474	488	1,962	5.3%	2.2%	3.9%
312	223				Bedford	LAB	1,559	527	2,086	6.0%	2.7%	4.6%
162			12		Belfast East	DU	1,889	513	2,402	9.0%	3.2%	6.4%
19			3		Belfast North	UU	3,004	566	3,570	16.6%	4.4%	11.5%
150			11		Belfast South	UU	1,974	698	2,672	9.1%	3.8%	6.7%
5			1		Belfast West	SF	4,406	726	5,132	21.6%	5.1%	14.8%
249	173				Berwick-upon-Tweed	LD	1,245	500	1,745	6.5%	3.6%	5.3%
10	8				Bethnal Green & Bow	LAB	4,334	1,270	5,604	17.3%	7.7%	13.5%
304	215				Beverley & Holderness	CON	1,426	582	2,008	5.7%	3.2%	4.6%
455	334				Bexhill & Battle	CON	757	238	995	4.1%	1.7%	3.1%
472	349				Bexleyheath & Crayford	LAB	858	350	1,208	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
495	371				Billericay	CON	968	346	1,314	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
41	34				Birkenhead	LAB	2,975	702	3,677	14.1%	4.4%	9.9%
96	72				Birmingham, Edgbaston	LAB	2,321	732	3,053	10.1%	4.1%	7.5%
115	86				Birmingham, Erdington	LAB	2,537	627	3,164	9.8%	3.4%	7.1%
203	140				Birmingham, Hall Green	LAB	1,709	495	2,204	8.0%	3.1%	5.9%
33	26				Birmingham, Hodge Hill	LAB	2,676	684	3,360	13.8%	5.2%	10.3%
1	1				Birmingham, Ladywood	LAB	5,774	1,496	7,270	23.5%	8.9%	17.6%
142	103				Birmingham, Northfield	LAB	1,731	511	2,242	9.2%	3.6%	6.8%
80	60				Birmingham, Perry Barr	LAB	2,699	840	3,539	10.6%	4.4%	7.9%
149	106				Birmingham, Selly Oak	LAB	2,250	677	2,927	9.2%	3.5%	6.7%
2	2				Birmingham, Sparkbrook & Small Heath	LAB	4,938	1,404	6,342	18.9%	9.0%	15.2%
143	104				Birmingham, Yardley	LAB	1,761	491	2,252	9.1%	3.5%	6.8%
235	162				Bishop Auckland	LAB	1,766	480	2,246	7.6%	2.8%	5.6%
619	489				Blaby	CON	564	185	749	2.1%	0.9%	1.6%
198	137				Blackburn	LAB	2,128	483	2,611	8.4%	2.7%	6.0%
273	192				Blackpool North & Fleetwood	LAB	1,700	400	2,100	7.3%	2.1%	5.0%
139	100				Blackpool South	LAB	2,532	685	3,217	9.6%	3.3%	6.8%

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UK	Eng	Wal	Sco	NI	Party	Claimants			Rate			
						Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
81			2		Blaenau Gwent	LAB	1,855	483	2,338	10.5%	4.0%	7.9%
305	216				Blaydon	LAB	1,530	334	1,864	6.7%	1.9%	4.6%
219	149				Blyth Valley	LAB	1,759	504	2,263	8.0%	2.9%	5.7%
447	327				Bognor Regis & Littlehampton	CON	859	282	1,141	4.3%	1.8%	3.2%
266	186				Bolsover	LAB	1,535	412	1,947	6.7%	2.6%	5.0%
309	220				Bolton North East	LAB	1,602	362	1,964	6.5%	2.0%	4.6%
256	178				Bolton South East	LAB	1,709	387	2,096	7.4%	2.3%	5.2%
524	397				Bolton West	LAB	741	235	976	3.3%	1.4%	2.5%
35	28				Bootle	LAB	2,904	667	3,571	14.6%	4.5%	10.3%
315	226				Boston & Skegness	CON	1,281	473	1,754	5.7%	2.9%	4.5%
583	455				Bosworth	CON	616	273	889	2.4%	1.4%	2.0%
265	185				Bournemouth East	CON	1,398	421	1,819	6.9%	2.7%	5.1%
195	134				Bournemouth West	CON	1,593	418	2,011	8.3%	3.0%	6.0%
631	501				Bracknell	CON	607	177	784	1.9%	0.8%	1.4%
82	61				Bradford North	LAB	2,609	654	3,263	10.9%	3.7%	7.8%
234	161				Bradford South	LAB	2,025	519	2,544	7.9%	2.6%	5.6%
38	31				Bradford West	LAB	3,170	808	3,978	13.5%	5.0%	10.1%
463	341				Braintree	LAB	1,018	374	1,392	3.7%	2.0%	3.0%
381		35			Brecon & Radnorshire	LD	823	319	1,142	4.7%	2.6%	3.8%
57	46				Brent East	LAB	2,764	1,028	3,792	11.6%	5.4%	8.8%
301	213				Brent North	LAB	1,258	505	1,763	5.9%	3.1%	4.7%
46	38				Brent South	LAB	3,215	987	4,202	12.9%	5.0%	9.4%
437	318				Brentford & Isleworth	LAB	1,358	543	1,901	4.3%	2.1%	3.3%
613	483				Brentwood & Ongar	CON	508	179	687	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
272		25			Bridgend	LAB	1,270	432	1,702	6.5%	2.9%	5.0%
311	222				Bridgwater	CON	1,422	489	1,911	5.8%	2.8%	4.6%
267	187				Brigg & Goole	LAB	1,497	440	1,937	6.5%	2.8%	5.0%
124	91				Brighton, Kemptown	LAB	2,125	643	2,768	9.5%	3.8%	7.0%
61	50				Brighton, Pavilion	LAB	2,658	932	3,590	11.4%	5.0%	8.6%
236	163				Bristol East	LAB	2,003	588	2,591	7.5%	2.9%	5.5%
431	313				Bristol North West	LAB	1,236	344	1,580	4.6%	1.7%	3.3%
257	179				Bristol South	LAB	2,049	545	2,594	7.1%	2.6%	5.2%
290	205				Bristol West	LAB	1,783	660	2,443	6.4%	2.9%	4.8%
496	372				Bromley & Chislehurst	CON	895	339	1,234	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
478	354				Bromsgrove	CON	961	375	1,336	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
550	423				Broxbourne	CON	761	275	1,036	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%
469	346				Broxtove	LAB	1,032	364	1,396	3.7%	1.8%	2.9%
644	514				Buckingham	CON	363	136	499	1.5%	0.8%	1.2%
416	300				Burnley	LAB	1,148	330	1,478	4.8%	1.8%	3.5%
362	258				Burton	LAB	1,413	429	1,842	5.3%	2.2%	4.0%
536	409				Bury North	LAB	838	239	1,077	3.2%	1.2%	2.3%
471	348				Bury South	LAB	941	279	1,220	4.0%	1.5%	2.9%
565	438				Bury St Edmunds	CON	695	306	1,001	2.6%	1.5%	2.1%
69		1			Caernarfon	PC	1,585	555	2,140	10.4%	5.2%	8.3%
208		17			Caerphilly	LAB	1,763	395	2,158	8.2%	2.5%	5.8%
131			17		Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross	LD	1,318	438	1,756	8.6%	4.4%	6.9%
415	299				Calder Valley	LAB	1,291	397	1,688	4.8%	1.9%	3.5%
12	10				Camberwell & Peckham	LAB	3,535	1,178	4,713	17.1%	6.9%	12.5%
331	237				Cambridge	LAB	1,353	407	1,760	5.9%	2.3%	4.3%
375	269				Cannock Chase	LAB	1,351	452	1,803	5.0%	2.4%	3.9%
342	245				Canterbury	CON	1,352	415	1,767	5.7%	2.3%	4.2%
233		22			Cardiff Central	LAB	1,510	381	1,891	8.0%	2.5%	5.6%
510		40			Cardiff North	LAB	670	181	851	3.7%	1.2%	2.6%
137		10			Cardiff South & Penarth	LAB	2,028	463	2,491	9.7%	3.0%	6.8%
177		13			Cardiff West	LAB	1,832	399	2,231	9.2%	2.6%	6.3%
302	214				Carlisle	LAB	1,376	428	1,804	6.4%	2.5%	4.7%
333		30			Carmarthen East & Dinefwr	LAB	896	328	1,224	5.3%	2.8%	4.3%
113		5			Carmarthen West & South Pembrokeshire	LAB	1,653	524	2,177	9.3%	4.2%	7.2%
123			16		Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley	LAB	2,214	617	2,831	9.5%	3.7%	7.1%
479	355				Carshalton & Wallington	LD	947	329	1,276	3.7%	1.7%	2.8%

II Residence-based unemployment rates by parliamentary constituency,

United Kingdom, December 1998

A. (not seasonally adjusted) - alphabetical listing

Rank by overall

unemployment rate

UK	Eng	Wal	Sco	NI	Party	Claimants			Rate		
						Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All
492	368				LAB	859	314	1,173	3.3%	1.8%	2.7%
95			13		LAB	2,036	585	2,621	10.3%	3.8%	7.5%
518	392				CON	801	259	1,060	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%
263		24			PC	1,034	369	1,403	6.4%	3.2%	5.1%
602	473				CON	598	254	852	2.1%	1.2%	1.7%
433	315				LAB	1,275	370	1,645	4.4%	1.8%	3.3%
616	486				CON	536	152	688	2.2%	0.8%	1.6%
417	301				LD	1,237	288	1,525	5.0%	1.5%	3.5%
651	521				CON	390	109	499	1.5%	0.6%	1.1%
428	310				LAB	1,134	284	1,418	4.7%	1.6%	3.4%
196	135				LAB	2,085	579	2,664	8.2%	3.1%	6.0%
560	433				CON	715	237	952	2.9%	1.2%	2.2%
402	288				CON	1,027	393	1,420	4.6%	2.3%	3.6%
443	324				CON	1,075	400	1,475	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
511	385				LAB	972	276	1,248	3.5%	1.3%	2.6%
533	406				CON	588	191	779	3.1%	1.4%	2.3%
247	172				CON	2,171	858	3,029	6.9%	3.4%	5.3%
192	133				LAB	1,966	609	2,575	7.9%	3.5%	6.1%
368		34			LAB	921	290	1,211	5.2%	2.3%	4.0%
316		27			LAB	983	324	1,307	6.0%	2.6%	4.5%
171			28		LAB	1,552	375	1,927	9.1%	2.8%	6.3%
259			41		LAB	1,532	453	1,985	6.9%	2.8%	5.1%
187			33		LAB	1,433	417	1,850	8.3%	3.2%	6.2%
422	306				LD	1,200	415	1,615	4.3%	2.1%	3.4%
385	275				LAB	1,317	441	1,758	5.0%	2.2%	3.8%
532	405				CON	760	258	1,018	3.1%	1.4%	2.4%
111		4			LAB	1,638	420	2,058	10.2%	3.3%	7.2%
178	123				LAB	1,690	468	2,158	8.3%	3.3%	6.2%
500	375				LAB	948	295	1,243	3.5%	1.5%	2.7%
638	508				CON	385	135	520	1.7%	0.8%	1.3%
160	113				LAB	2,448	643	3,091	8.9%	3.2%	6.5%
323	230				LAB	1,688	495	2,183	6.0%	2.3%	4.4%
215	145				LAB	1,910	516	2,426	7.9%	2.9%	5.8%
562	435				LAB	779	252	1,031	2.9%	1.2%	2.2%
373	267				LAB	1,247	432	1,679	5.0%	2.4%	3.9%
298	211				LAB	1,295	365	1,660	6.6%	2.3%	4.7%
292	206				LAB	2,064	674	2,738	6.4%	2.7%	4.8%
158	111				LAB	2,875	964	3,839	8.9%	3.7%	6.6%
555	428				CON	823	296	1,119	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
291			46		LAB	1,220	334	1,554	6.8%	2.3%	4.8%
133			18		LAB	1,613	543	2,156	8.9%	4.2%	6.9%
72			10		LAB	1,923	661	2,584	10.7%	4.9%	8.2%
125		8			LAB	1,491	379	1,870	9.7%	3.4%	7.0%
293	207				LAB	1,329	405	1,734	6.3%	2.7%	4.8%
132	97				LAB	2,286	552	2,838	9.7%	3.2%	6.9%
446	326				LAB	1,111	363	1,474	4.2%	1.8%	3.2%
610	480				CON	607	253	860	2.0%	1.1%	1.6%
423		38			LAB	848	245	1,093	4.5%	1.8%	3.4%
414	298				LAB	1,239	362	1,601	4.8%	1.8%	3.5%
332	238				LAB	1,611	417	2,028	6.0%	2.1%	4.3%
117	87				LAB	2,678	704	3,382	9.7%	3.6%	7.1%
588	459				CON	699	293	992	2.3%	1.4%	1.9%
314	225				LAB	1,374	352	1,726	6.3%	2.2%	4.5%
224	153				LAB	1,779	465	2,244	7.7%	2.9%	5.7%
65	51				LAB	2,651	723	3,374	11.3%	4.3%	8.4%
94	71				LAB	2,221	512	2,733	10.3%	3.5%	7.5%
244	169				LAB	1,824	477	2,301	7.3%	2.7%	5.4%
225	154				LAB	1,928	534	2,462	7.5%	3.0%	5.7%
308	219				LAB	1,525	485	2,010	6.0%	2.7%	4.6%
90	67				LAB	2,778	1,045	3,823	10.3%	4.5%	7.6%

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155				25	Dumbarton	LAB	1,894	565	2,459	8.8%	3.5%	6.6%
299				47	Dumfries	LAB	1,368	498	1,866	6.1%	2.9%	4.7%
73				11	Dundee East	LAB	2,344	662	3,006	11.6%	4.1%	8.2%
99				14	Dundee West	LAB	1,936	518	2,454	10.9%	3.4%	7.5%
146				22	Dunfermline East	LAB	1,744	396	2,140	9.4%	3.0%	6.7%
242				39	Dunfermline West	LAB	1,427	380	1,807	7.6%	2.7%	5.5%
279	197				Durham, City of	LAB	1,434	442	1,876	6.7%	2.6%	4.9%
340	244				Ealing North *	LAB	1,675	599	2,274	5.6%	2.5%	4.2%
230	159				Ealing Southall	LAB	2,380	821	3,201	7.5%	3.2%	5.6%
107	80				Ealing, Acton & Shepherd's Bush	LAB	2,992	1,030	4,022	9.9%	4.2%	7.3%
190	131				Easington	LAB	1,697	401	2,098	8.6%	2.7%	6.1%
194				13	East Antrim	UU	1,898	536	2,434	8.1%	3.2%	6.1%
441	322				East Devon	CON	802	278	1,080	4.2%	1.9%	3.2%
39	32				East Ham	LAB	3,360	949	4,309	12.9%	5.6%	10.0%
592	463				East Hampshire	CON	740	197	937	2.6%	0.9%	1.9%
379				57	East Kilbride	LAB	1,252	433	1,685	5.2%	2.2%	3.9%
50				6	East Londonderry	UU	2,532	710	3,242	11.9%	5.2%	9.3%
410				61	East Lothian	LAB	943	262	1,205	4.9%	1.8%	3.5%
645	515				East Surrey	CON	453	154	607	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
574	446				East Worthing & Shoreham	CON	679	198	877	2.8%	1.1%	2.0%
283	199				East Yorkshire	CON	1,403	514	1,917	6.1%	3.1%	4.9%
343	246				Eastbourne	CON	1,232	385	1,617	5.9%	2.2%	4.2%
597	468				Eastleigh	LD	646	218	864	2.4%	1.1%	1.8%
454				65	Eastwood	LAB	947	310	1,257	4.1%	1.8%	3.1%
403	289				Eccles	LAB	1,264	302	1,566	5.1%	1.6%	3.6%
525	398				Eddisbury	CON	735	231	966	3.1%	1.4%	2.4%
211				36	Edinburgh Central	LAB	1,513	462	1,975	8.4%	2.9%	5.8%
335				49	Edinburgh East & Musselburgh	LAB	1,225	305	1,530	6.3%	1.9%	4.3%
202				35	Edinburgh North & Leith	LAB	1,945	540	2,485	8.7%	2.8%	5.9%
390				58	Edinburgh Pentlands	LAB	1,101	278	1,379	5.4%	1.7%	3.7%
341				50	Edinburgh South	LAB	1,089	308	1,397	6.1%	2.0%	4.2%
461				66	Edinburgh West	LD	985	264	1,249	4.3%	1.4%	3.0%
121	89				Edmonton	LAB	2,266	726	2,992	9.3%	4.0%	7.1%
397	285				Ellesmere Port & Neston	LAB	1,240	307	1,547	5.1%	1.7%	3.6%
484	360				Elmet	LAB	954	320	1,274	3.7%	1.6%	2.8%
207	143				Eltham	LAB	1,607	563	2,170	7.7%	3.5%	5.9%
281	198				Enfield North	LAB	1,680	557	2,237	6.4%	2.8%	4.9%
295	209				Enfield, Southgate	LAB	1,437	582	2,019	6.0%	3.2%	4.8%
482	358				Epping Forest	CON	955	353	1,308	3.5%	1.8%	2.8%
646	516				Epsom & Ewell	CON	423	145	568	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
391	280				Erewash	LAB	1,464	441	1,905	4.9%	2.0%	3.7%
79	59				Erith & Thamesmead	LAB	2,629	896	3,525	10.3%	4.8%	8.0%
636	506				Esher & Walton	CON	467	180	647	1.7%	0.9%	1.4%
306	217				Exeter	LAB	1,729	552	2,281	6.4%	2.5%	4.6%
252				40	Falkirk East	LAB	1,509	411	1,920	7.3%	2.6%	5.3%
173				29	Falkirk West	LAB	1,617	451	2,068	8.8%	3.2%	6.3%
93	70				Falmouth & Camborne	LAB	2,257	731	2,988	9.8%	4.5%	7.6%
633	503				Fareham	CON	474	148	622	1.9%	0.8%	1.4%
502	377				Faversham & Mid Kent	CON	863	290	1,153	3.4%	1.6%	2.6%
429	311				Feltham & Heston	LAB	1,273	411	1,684	4.4%	1.9%	3.4%
52				7	Fermanagh & South Tyrone	UU	2,474	703	3,177	11.4%	5.5%	9.2%
367	262				Finchley & Golders Green	LAB	1,380	629	2,009	4.9%	2.9%	4.0%
229	158				Folkestone & Hythe	CON	1,925	424	2,349	7.9%	2.4%	5.6%
434	316				Forest of Dean	LAB	883	405	1,288	3.8%	2.6%	3.3%
8				2	Foyle	SDLP	4,415	995	5,410	19.2%	6.6%	14.2%
578	450				Fylde	CON	637	190	827	2.8%	1.1%	2.0%
337	241				Gainsborough	CON	1,170	445	1,615	5.2%	2.9%	4.3%
220				38	Galloway & Upper Nithsdale	SNP	1,319	507	1,826	7.0%	3.9%	5.7%
289	204				Gateshead East & Washington West	LAB	1,614	385	1,999	6.9%	2.1%	4.8%
424	307				Gedling	LAB	1,133	423	1,556	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%

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435	317				Gillingham	LAB	1,186	410	1,596	4.2%	2.1%	3.3%
67			8		Glasgow Anniesland	LAB	1,852	371	2,223	12.7%	3.0%	8.3%
70			9		Glasgow Baillieston	LAB	2,061	507	2,568	11.6%	3.8%	8.2%
181			31		Glasgow Cathcart	LAB	1,429	357	1,786	9.0%	2.8%	6.2%
63			6		Glasgow Govan	LAB	2,177	559	2,736	12.0%	3.9%	8.4%
64			7		Glasgow Kelvin	LAB	2,032	553	2,585	11.9%	4.0%	8.4%
28			2		Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	2,633	675	3,308	15.4%	5.1%	10.9%
55			4		Glasgow Pollok	LAB	2,154	527	2,681	12.7%	4.0%	9.0%
175			30		Glasgow Rutherglen	LAB	1,392	354	1,746	8.9%	2.9%	6.3%
16			1		Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	2,281	496	2,777	16.5%	5.1%	11.8%
32			3		Glasgow Springburn	LAB	2,444	546	2,990	15.3%	4.2%	10.3%
317	227				Gloucester	LAB	1,798	536	2,334	6.1%	2.4%	4.5%
585			71		Gordon	LD	533	197	730	2.4%	1.3%	2.0%
450	330				Gosport	CON	1,094	340	1,434	4.2%	1.8%	3.2%
345		32			Gower	LAB	1,031	292	1,323	5.7%	2.1%	4.2%
473	350				Grantham & Stamford	CON	902	338	1,240	3.6%	1.8%	2.9%
300	212				Gravesham	LAB	1,620	553	2,173	5.9%	2.9%	4.7%
51	42				Great Grimsby	LAB	3,112	718	3,830	12.7%	4.2%	9.3%
44	36				Great Yarmouth	LAB	2,894	985	3,879	12.1%	5.9%	9.5%
280			43		Greenock & Inverclyde	LAB	1,151	289	1,440	7.1%	2.2%	4.9%
36	29				Greenwich & Woolwich	LAB	3,159	1,110	4,269	13.5%	6.1%	10.3%
635	505				Guildford	CON	536	164	700	1.9%	0.7%	1.4%
7	6				Hackney North & Stoke Newington	LAB	4,495	1,646	6,141	18.7%	8.8%	14.4%
6	5				Hackney South & Shoreditch	LAB	4,745	1,544	6,289	20.2%	8.1%	14.7%
319	229				Halesowen & Rowley Regis	LAB	1,444	454	1,898	5.8%	2.6%	4.5%
206	142				Halifax	LAB	2,174	561	2,735	8.4%	2.7%	5.9%
477	353				Haltemprice & Howden	CON	809	307	1,116	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
170	119				Halton	LAB	1,984	517	2,501	8.7%	3.1%	6.4%
161			26		Hamilton North & Bellshill	LAB	1,766	485	2,251	8.8%	3.3%	6.5%
193			34		Hamilton South	LAB	1,311	346	1,657	8.4%	3.0%	6.1%
199	138				Hammersmith & Fulham	LAB	2,586	1,089	3,675	8.1%	3.7%	6.0%
141	102				Hampstead & Highgate	LAB	2,345	1,018	3,363	8.9%	4.4%	6.8%
586	457				Harborough	CON	634	253	887	2.5%	1.3%	1.9%
420	304				Harlow	LAB	1,138	404	1,542	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
544	417				Harrogate & Knaresborough	LD	705	225	930	3.2%	1.2%	2.3%
395	283				Harrow East	LAB	1,373	566	1,939	4.6%	2.5%	3.7%
481	357				Harrow West	LAB	1,009	372	1,381	3.7%	1.7%	2.8%
40	33				Hartlepool	LAB	3,310	742	4,052	14.0%	4.4%	10.0%
204	141				Harwich	LAB	1,655	448	2,103	8.0%	3.0%	5.9%
135	98				Hastings & Rye	LAB	2,341	569	2,910	9.7%	3.1%	6.9%
355	252				Havant	CON	1,395	364	1,759	5.6%	2.0%	4.1%
438	319				Hayes & Harlington	LAB	1,016	335	1,351	4.3%	1.9%	3.3%
552	425				Hazel Grove	LD	730	192	922	3.1%	1.1%	2.2%
595	466				Hemel Hempstead	LAB	699	210	909	2.5%	1.0%	1.9%
278	196				Hemsworth	LAB	1,593	390	1,983	6.8%	2.3%	4.9%
264	184				Hendon	LAB	1,824	687	2,511	6.5%	3.2%	5.1%
653	523				Henley	CON	373	109	482	1.4%	0.6%	1.1%
440	321				Hereford *>	LD	1,038	361	1,399	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
626	496				Hertford & Stortford	CON	528	196	724	1.9%	0.9%	1.5%
601	472				Hertsmere	CON	578	194	772	2.3%	1.0%	1.8%
460	339				Hexham	CON	793	266	1,059	3.9%	1.8%	3.0%
324	231				Heywood & Middleton	LAB	1,682	421	2,103	6.2%	2.0%	4.4%
501	376				High Peak	LAB	980	261	1,241	3.6%	1.3%	2.6%
600	471				Hitchin & Harpenden	CON	599	185	784	2.3%	1.0%	1.8%
17	14				Holborn & St Pancras	LAB	3,425	1,296	4,721	15.5%	7.0%	11.6%
488	364				Hornchurch	LAB	805	303	1,108	3.5%	1.8%	2.8%
97	73				Hornsey & Wood Green	LAB	3,056	1,146	4,202	10.0%	4.5%	7.5%
647	517				Horsham	CON	445	135	580	1.6%	0.6%	1.2%
174	121				Houghton & Washington East	LAB	1,960	469	2,429	9.0%	2.8%	6.3%
189	130				Hove	LAB	1,838	677	2,515	8.0%	3.8%	6.1%

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102	77				LAB	2,256	643	2,899	10.1%	3.8%	7.4%
551	424				CON	837	380	1,217	2.6%	1.7%	2.2%
449	329				LAB	1,045	288	1,333	4.4%	1.6%	3.2%
412	296				LAB	1,087	443	1,530	4.4%	2.4%	3.5%
197	136				LAB	2,235	756	2,991	7.7%	3.6%	6.0%
274			42		LAB	1,473	579	2,052	6.3%	3.2%	5.0%
250	174				LAB	1,842	479	2,321	7.3%	2.6%	5.3%
87	64				LD	3,122	1,071	4,193	10.0%	4.6%	7.7%
13	11				LAB	4,003	1,538	5,541	16.8%	7.4%	12.4%
34	27				LAB	2,943	1,132	4,075	13.3%	6.5%	10.3%
330		29			LAB	963	316	1,279	5.7%	2.5%	4.4%
86	63				LAB	2,390	514	2,904	11.1%	3.2%	7.7%
326	233				LAB	1,349	472	1,821	5.8%	2.6%	4.4%
394	282				CON	1,371	771	2,142	4.3%	3.0%	3.7%
543	416				LAB	796	309	1,105	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
145			21		LAB	1,976	609	2,585	9.1%	3.7%	6.8%
508	383				LD	998	358	1,356	3.4%	1.6%	2.6%
49	41				LAB	3,015	740	3,755	12.6%	4.5%	9.3%
37	30				LAB	3,439	886	4,325	13.7%	5.1%	10.2%
43	35				LAB	3,065	808	3,873	13.3%	4.9%	9.8%
570	442				LAB	819	224	1,043	2.9%	1.0%	2.1%
62			5		LAB	2,049	615	2,664	11.5%	4.5%	8.5%
147	105				LAB	2,362	651	3,013	9.3%	3.4%	6.7%
54	44				LAB	3,017	778	3,795	12.4%	4.3%	9.0%
364				18	UU	1,316	438	1,754	5.1%	2.4%	4.0%
421	305				LAB	1,083	360	1,443	4.6%	1.9%	3.4%
26	21				LAB	3,771	819	4,590	15.8%	4.6%	11.1%
60	49				LAB	2,535	638	3,173	12.0%	4.0%	8.6%
262	183				LAB	1,553	480	2,033	7.0%	2.7%	5.1%
378	270				LAB	1,089	361	1,450	5.2%	2.2%	3.9%
222	151				LAB	1,916	470	2,386	8.1%	2.6%	5.7%
221	150				LAB	1,653	572	2,225	7.6%	3.3%	5.7%
110	83				LAB	2,472	695	3,167	9.9%	3.7%	7.2%
140	101				LAB	2,214	607	2,821	9.4%	3.4%	6.8%
329	236				LAB	1,474	413	1,887	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
517	391				CON	710	267	977	3.1%	1.7%	2.5%
476	352				LD	762	257	1,019	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
130	96				LAB	1,880	658	2,538	9.3%	4.1%	7.0%
75	55				LAB	2,442	854	3,296	11.1%	4.7%	8.2%
21	17				LAB	3,470	1,193	4,663	15.6%	6.4%	11.4%
136	99				LAB	2,221	701	2,922	9.3%	3.7%	6.9%
534	407				CON	718	272	990	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
172	120				LAB	2,061	505	2,566	8.8%	3.0%	6.3%
376			55		LAB	1,118	273	1,391	5.5%	1.7%	3.9%
106	79				LAB	2,274	586	2,860	10.4%	3.4%	7.3%
4	4				LAB	4,319	1,098	5,417	20.9%	7.1%	15.0%
27	22				LAB	3,491	906	4,397	15.4%	5.2%	11.0%
48	40				LAB	3,049	892	3,941	13.1%	4.7%	9.4%
29	23				LAB	3,266	836	4,102	14.8%	5.1%	10.7%
347			51		LAB	1,286	349	1,635	5.9%	2.0%	4.1%
210		18			LAB	1,356	397	1,753	7.7%	3.1%	5.8%
400	287				LAB	1,113	381	1,494	4.7%	2.1%	3.6%
296	210				CON	1,317	481	1,798	5.9%	3.1%	4.8%
506	381				CON	713	240	953	3.3%	1.6%	2.6%
374	268				LAB	1,326	442	1,768	5.1%	2.3%	3.9%
245	170				LAB	1,890	521	2,411	7.0%	2.9%	5.4%
599	470				CON	672	176	848	2.5%	0.8%	1.8%
618	488				CON	561	171	732	2.1%	0.9%	1.6%
535	408				CON	858	266	1,124	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
346	247				LAB	1,367	414	1,781	5.5%	2.3%	4.1%

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503	378				Maldon & East Chelmsford	CON	818	297	1,115	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
77	57				Manchester, Blackley	LAB	2,428	509	2,937	11.4%	3.3%	8.0%
9	7				Manchester, Central	LAB	3,995	986	4,981	19.0%	6.7%	13.9%
22	18				Manchester, Gorton	LAB	2,920	785	3,705	15.6%	5.7%	11.4%
109	82				Manchester, Withington	LAB	2,082	633	2,715	10.0%	3.8%	7.2%
255	177				Mansfield	LAB	1,679	440	2,119	7.2%	2.5%	5.2%
307	218				Medway	LAB	1,467	484	1,951	5.8%	2.8%	4.6%
119		7			Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	PC	949	380	1,329	8.7%	4.9%	7.1%
352	251				Meriden	CON	1,639	473	2,112	5.5%	2.2%	4.1%
116		6			Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	LAB	1,778	399	2,177	9.9%	3.2%	7.1%
612	482				Mid Bedfordshire	CON	489	208	697	1.9%	1.1%	1.6%
584	456				Mid Dorset & North Poole	CON	622	210	832	2.5%	1.2%	2.0%
475	351				Mid Norfolk	CON	961	326	1,287	3.6%	1.7%	2.8%
656	526				Mid Sussex	CON	355	100	455	1.3%	0.5%	1.0%
74			8		Mid Ulster	SF	2,055	555	2,610	10.3%	4.7%	8.2%
540	413				Mid Worcestershire	CON	679	289	968	2.8%	1.6%	2.3%
18	15				Middlesbrough	LAB	4,003	844	4,847	16.4%	4.8%	11.6%
126	92				Middlesbrough South & East Cleveland	LAB	2,336	590	2,926	9.6%	3.4%	7.0%
436			63		Midlothian	LAB	845	168	1,013	5.0%	1.2%	3.3%
497	373				Milton Keynes South West	LAB	966	295	1,261	3.6%	1.5%	2.7%
269	189				Mitcham & Morden	LAB	1,654	538	2,192	6.7%	2.8%	5.0%
657	527				Mole Valley	CON	326	93	419	1.3%	0.5%	0.9%
401		37			Monmouth	LAB	919	344	1,263	4.5%	2.3%	3.6%
499		39			Montgomeryshire	LD	486	193	679	3.2%	1.9%	2.7%
361			54		Moray	SNP	1,077	404	1,481	4.8%	2.8%	4.0%
186	128				Morecambe & Lunesdale	LAB	1,846	499	2,345	8.5%	3.1%	6.2%
405	291				Morley & Rothwell	LAB	1,210	362	1,572	4.9%	1.9%	3.6%
105			15		Motherwell & Wishaw	LAB	1,693	428	2,121	10.3%	3.5%	7.4%
200		15			Neath	LAB	1,364	449	1,813	7.7%	3.5%	6.0%
571	443				New Forest East	CON	674	205	879	2.7%	1.2%	2.1%
514	388				New Forest West	CON	647	192	839	3.4%	1.4%	2.5%
382	272				Newark	LAB	1,271	353	1,624	5.1%	2.0%	3.8%
649	519				Newbury	LD	439	131	570	1.5%	0.6%	1.1%
91	68				Newcastle upon Tyne Central	LAB	2,193	556	2,749	10.8%	3.5%	7.6%
47	39				Newcastle upon Tyne East & Wallsend	LAB	2,849	629	3,478	13.6%	3.9%	9.4%
270	190				Newcastle upon Tyne North	LAB	1,645	372	2,017	7.3%	2.1%	5.0%
427	309				Newcastle-under-Lyme	LAB	1,053	314	1,367	4.5%	1.8%	3.4%
254		23			Newport East	LAB	1,366	381	1,747	7.0%	2.7%	5.2%
205		16			Newport West	LAB	1,657	393	2,050	8.3%	2.6%	5.9%
42			5		Newry & Armagh	SDLP	3,145	728	3,873	12.7%	4.9%	9.8%
413	297				Normanton	LAB	1,033	358	1,391	4.6%	2.1%	3.5%
118			10		North Antrim	DU	2,320	665	2,985	9.1%	4.1%	7.1%
128	94				North Cornwall	LD	2,193	957	3,150	8.2%	5.2%	7.0%
318	228				North Devon	LD	1,410	511	1,921	5.7%	2.8%	4.5%
605	476				North Dorset	CON	473	175	648	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
248			15		North Down	UKU	1,447	496	1,943	6.9%	3.2%	5.3%
241	168				North Durham	LAB	1,792	437	2,229	7.7%	2.5%	5.5%
591	462				North East Bedfordshire	CON	573	247	820	2.3%	1.4%	1.9%
398	286				North East Cambridgeshire	CON	1,195	466	1,661	4.4%	2.5%	3.6%
327	234				North East Derbyshire	LAB	1,518	426	1,944	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
354			53		North East Fife	LD	928	367	1,295	5.1%	2.7%	4.1%
652	522				North East Hampshire	CON	407	108	515	1.4%	0.6%	1.1%
620	490				North East Hertfordshire	CON	515	184	699	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
558	431				North East Milton Keynes	LAB	751	254	1,005	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
575	447				North Essex	CON	636	199	835	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
387	277				North Norfolk	CON	1,138	383	1,521	4.7%	2.3%	3.8%
459	338				North Shropshire	CON	926	344	1,270	3.7%	2.0%	3.0%
23	19				North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	3,542	1,232	4,774	15.0%	6.6%	11.3%
580	452				North Swindon	LAB	674	240	914	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
392			59		North Tayside	SNP	987	394	1,381	4.7%	2.4%	3.7%

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120	88				CON	2,069	566	2,635	9.7%	3.6%	7.1%
100	75				LAB	2,413	570	2,983	10.6%	3.3%	7.5%
489	365				LAB	960	349	1,309	3.5%	1.8%	2.8%
538	411				CON	833	275	1,108	3.0%	1.4%	2.3%
223	152				LAB	1,764	433	2,197	7.9%	2.7%	5.7%
624	494				CON	539	229	768	1.8%	1.1%	1.5%
470	347				LAB	855	290	1,145	3.7%	1.7%	2.9%
360	257				LAB	1,343	484	1,827	5.1%	2.5%	4.0%
609	479				CON	584	230	814	2.0%	1.1%	1.7%
383	273				LAB	1,432	445	1,877	5.2%	2.1%	3.8%
451	331				LAB	1,230	396	1,626	4.2%	1.8%	3.2%
642	512				LD	480	198	678	1.6%	0.9%	1.3%
336	240				LAB	1,492	484	1,976	5.6%	2.5%	4.3%
154	109				LAB	2,204	613	2,817	9.0%	3.3%	6.6%
30	24				LAB	3,383	908	4,291	14.5%	5.1%	10.4%
88	65				LAB	2,515	632	3,147	10.7%	3.6%	7.7%
98	74				LAB	2,405	597	3,002	10.4%	3.5%	7.5%
448	328				LAB	1,093	394	1,487	4.0%	2.0%	3.2%
212			37		LAB	1,495	444	1,939	7.9%	3.1%	5.8%
232		21			LAB	1,340	357	1,697	7.6%	2.8%	5.6%
539	412				CON	747	281	1,028	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
396	284				LAB	1,420	396	1,816	5.1%	1.8%	3.6%
294	208				LAB	1,742	428	2,170	6.8%	2.2%	4.8%
467			67		LD	449	171	620	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
548	421				CON	874	316	1,190	2.9%	1.4%	2.2%
369	263				LAB	1,322	384	1,706	5.6%	2.0%	4.0%
630	500				LD	555	171	726	2.0%	0.8%	1.5%
138			19		LAB	1,574	440	2,014	9.8%	3.3%	6.8%
144			20		LAB	1,819	454	2,273	9.8%	3.0%	6.8%
388	278				LAB	1,135	327	1,462	5.1%	2.0%	3.8%
545	418				CON	645	283	928	2.7%	1.7%	2.3%
353			52		SNP	1,150	346	1,496	5.7%	2.1%	4.1%
328	235				LAB	1,580	468	2,048	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
253	176				LAB	1,919	618	2,537	6.6%	3.2%	5.2%
59	48				LAB	2,749	869	3,618	11.3%	5.0%	8.7%
227	156				LAB	1,706	491	2,197	7.5%	3.0%	5.6%
349		33			LAB	1,264	336	1,600	5.7%	2.0%	4.1%
462	340				CON	879	248	1,127	4.1%	1.6%	3.0%
11	9				LAB	4,106	1,106	5,212	17.0%	6.7%	12.8%
408	293				LAB	1,135	310	1,445	4.8%	1.8%	3.5%
180	125				LD	2,219	587	2,806	8.4%	3.1%	6.2%
134		9			LAB	1,679	479	2,158	9.0%	3.8%	6.9%
201	139				LAB	2,182	453	2,635	8.6%	2.4%	6.0%
529	402				LAB	842	273	1,115	3.3%	1.3%	2.4%
339	243				LAB	1,253	509	1,762	5.6%	2.6%	4.2%
569	441				CON	678	264	942	2.6%	1.4%	2.1%
556	429				LAB	841	245	1,086	3.0%	1.2%	2.2%
573	445				LAB	851	175	1,026	3.0%	0.8%	2.1%
68	53				LAB	2,896	621	3,517	11.7%	3.5%	8.3%
389	279				LAB	1,151	431	1,582	4.8%	2.4%	3.7%
66	52				LAB	3,457	1,451	4,908	10.7%	5.4%	8.3%
650	520				CON	357	117	474	1.5%	0.7%	1.1%
156		11			LAB	1,607	394	2,001	8.9%	3.2%	6.6%
634	504				CON	487	159	646	1.9%	0.8%	1.4%
523	396				CON	738	320	1,058	2.9%	1.8%	2.5%
504	379				LD	957	397	1,354	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
167	117				LAB	2,158	515	2,673	9.0%	2.9%	6.4%
92	69				CON	2,535	698	3,233	10.2%	3.9%	7.6%
486	362				LAB	821	274	1,095	3.6%	1.6%	2.8%
615	485				CON	487	186	673	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%

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163			27		LD	1,534	616	2,150	7.8%	4.5%	6.4%
483	359				LAB	968	310	1,278	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
261	182				LAB	1,708	500	2,208	6.8%	2.7%	5.1%
83	62				LAB	2,306	522	2,828	10.9%	3.5%	7.8%
377			56		LD	846	307	1,153	5.0%	2.4%	3.9%
547	420				LAB	847	307	1,154	2.9%	1.4%	2.3%
577	449				CON	574	246	820	2.5%	1.4%	2.0%
643	513				CON	449	148	597	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
531	404				CON	901	283	1,184	3.2%	1.3%	2.4%
629	499				CON	470	191	661	1.8%	1.0%	1.5%
519	393				CON	671	279	950	3.1%	1.7%	2.5%
607	477				CON	547	251	798	1.9%	1.3%	1.7%
164	114				LAB	1,818	396	2,214	9.1%	2.7%	6.4%
590	461				CON	755	236	991	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
179	124				LAB	2,023	680	2,703	8.2%	3.6%	6.2%
191	132				LAB	1,796	520	2,316	8.0%	3.4%	6.1%
276	194				LAB	1,450	473	1,923	6.4%	2.9%	4.9%
419	303				LAB	1,152	414	1,566	4.4%	2.2%	3.5%
594	465				CON	599	215	814	2.4%	1.2%	1.9%
240	167				LAB	1,846	447	2,293	7.7%	2.5%	5.5%
56	45				LAB	2,643	571	3,214	12.6%	3.7%	8.9%
14	12				LAB	3,712	879	4,591	17.0%	5.7%	12.3%
442	323				LD	794	270	1,064	4.3%	1.9%	3.2%
129	95				LAB	2,249	605	2,854	9.6%	3.5%	7.0%
359	256				LAB	1,528	482	2,010	5.5%	2.2%	4.0%
363	259				LAB	1,442	399	1,841	5.5%	2.0%	4.0%
411	295				LAB	1,193	360	1,553	4.9%	1.8%	3.5%
505	380				LAB	884	298	1,182	3.4%	1.5%	2.6%
271	191				LAB	1,545	532	2,077	6.2%	3.2%	5.0%
579	451				CON	650	254	904	2.5%	1.3%	2.0%
541	414				CON	696	268	964	2.8%	1.6%	2.3%
366	261				LAB	1,505	427	1,932	5.4%	2.1%	4.0%
542	415				CON	833	319	1,152	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
559	432				LD	687	298	985	2.6%	1.6%	2.2%
320			17		UU	1,460	523	1,983	5.6%	2.8%	4.5%
621	491				CON	530	185	715	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
490	366				LAB	992	310	1,302	3.6%	1.5%	2.7%
380	271				CON	1,180	374	1,554	5.0%	2.2%	3.8%
85			9		SDLP	2,312	680	2,992	9.8%	4.6%	7.7%
593	464				CON	696	241	937	2.4%	1.1%	1.9%
334	239				LD	1,289	565	1,854	5.1%	3.2%	4.3%
567	440				CON	600	253	853	2.6%	1.5%	2.1%
507	382				CON	894	349	1,243	3.2%	1.8%	2.6%
576	448				LAB	733	227	960	2.8%	1.1%	2.0%
25	20				LAB	3,264	689	3,953	15.7%	4.7%	11.1%
516	390				CON	889	336	1,225	3.2%	1.6%	2.5%
512	386				CON	778	274	1,052	3.2%	1.6%	2.6%
468	345				LAB	1,106	340	1,446	3.9%	1.6%	2.9%
152	107				LAB	1,853	478	2,331	9.1%	3.2%	6.6%
582	454				CON	726	263	989	2.5%	1.3%	2.0%
528	401				CON	728	295	1,023	3.0%	1.6%	2.4%
614	484				CON	561	187	748	2.0%	0.9%	1.6%
465	343				CON	1,040	448	1,488	3.4%	2.2%	2.9%
648	518				CON	419	112	531	1.6%	0.6%	1.2%
226	155				LAB	2,044	503	2,547	7.7%	2.7%	5.6%
231	160				LAB	2,012	486	2,498	7.8%	2.6%	5.6%
310	221				CON	1,394	382	1,776	6.3%	2.3%	4.6%
277	195				LD	1,531	468	1,999	6.8%	2.6%	4.9%
628	498				CON	563	179	742	2.0%	0.8%	1.5%
632	502				LAB	458	183	641	1.8%	0.9%	1.4%

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284	200				LAB	1,634	442	2,076	6.6%	2.5%	4.9%
184	127				LAB	1,972	524	2,496	8.5%	3.1%	6.2%
76	56				LD	2,249	947	3,196	9.6%	5.8%	8.0%
466	344				LAB	991	282	1,273	4.0%	1.5%	2.9%
494	370				LAB	891	294	1,185	3.5%	1.6%	2.7%
348	248				LAB	1,392	403	1,795	5.6%	2.1%	4.1%
498	374				LAB	943	281	1,224	3.6%	1.4%	2.7%
282			44		LAB	1,175	382	1,557	6.6%	2.7%	4.9%
386	276				LAB	1,346	294	1,640	5.5%	1.6%	3.8%
45	37				LAB	3,014	732	3,746	13.1%	4.4%	9.5%
176	122				LAB	2,124	515	2,639	8.8%	2.9%	6.3%
218	148				LAB	1,765	449	2,214	8.0%	2.7%	5.7%
356	253				LAB	1,154	351	1,505	5.4%	2.2%	4.1%
351	250				LAB	1,357	473	1,830	5.3%	2.5%	4.1%
564	437				CON	621	295	916	2.5%	1.6%	2.2%
370	264				LAB	1,329	408	1,737	5.2%	2.2%	4.0%
303			16		UU	1,421	460	1,881	6.0%	2.7%	4.7%
596	467				CON	692	266	958	2.3%	1.2%	1.9%
406			60		LAB	1,174	304	1,478	5.1%	1.7%	3.6%
53	43				LAB	3,650	1,362	5,012	12.4%	5.4%	9.2%
313	224				LAB	1,679	414	2,093	6.5%	2.1%	4.6%
521	395				LAB	872	311	1,183	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%
457	336				CON	1,049	320	1,369	4.0%	1.8%	3.1%
71	54				LAB	2,455	457	2,912	12.0%	3.1%	8.2%
58	47				LAB	2,837	566	3,403	12.7%	3.4%	8.8%
658	528				CON	351	103	454	1.1%	0.5%	0.9%
563	436				LD	665	266	931	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%
491	367				CON	906	353	1,259	3.5%	1.7%	2.7%
214		20			LAB	1,644	359	2,003	8.3%	2.4%	5.8%
168		12			LAB	1,560	402	1,962	8.9%	3.1%	6.4%
426	308				LAB	1,074	418	1,492	4.1%	2.3%	3.4%
598	469				IND	546	169	715	2.4%	1.0%	1.8%
444	325				LD	1,197	335	1,532	4.4%	1.6%	3.2%
372	266				CON	1,299	442	1,741	5.1%	2.3%	3.9%
350	249				LAB	1,235	372	1,607	5.5%	2.2%	4.1%
572	444				CON	643	246	889	2.7%	1.3%	2.1%
275	193				LAB	1,728	500	2,228	6.5%	2.7%	4.9%
480	356				CON	910	335	1,245	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
561	434				CON	687	229	916	2.8%	1.3%	2.2%
217	147				LAB	2,088	753	2,841	7.8%	3.3%	5.8%
103	78				LD	2,308	674	2,982	10.2%	3.8%	7.4%
297		26			LAB	1,380	346	1,726	6.6%	2.3%	4.8%
325	232				LD	1,387	535	1,922	5.4%	3.0%	4.4%
287	202				CON	1,252	513	1,765	5.9%	3.3%	4.8%
3	3				LAB	5,647	1,807	7,454	20.3%	8.4%	15.1%
239	166				LD	1,746	619	2,365	7.0%	3.4%	5.5%
589	460				CON	685	167	852	2.8%	0.9%	1.9%
445			64		LD	763	257	1,020	4.3%	1.8%	3.2%
549	422				LD	832	316	1,148	2.9%	1.4%	2.2%
31	25				LAB	3,312	629	3,941	14.9%	4.0%	10.4%
159	112				LAB	2,052	498	2,550	9.3%	2.9%	6.5%
464	342				LAB	795	263	1,058	3.9%	1.8%	3.0%
243			14		UU	1,732	552	2,284	7.0%	3.2%	5.4%
530	403				CON	715	268	983	3.1%	1.5%	2.4%
183		14			LAB	1,331	407	1,738	8.4%	3.3%	6.2%
322		28			LAB	1,483	399	1,882	6.0%	2.2%	4.4%
604	475				CON	531	210	741	2.1%	1.2%	1.7%
20	16				LAB	4,384	1,603	5,987	15.5%	6.7%	11.4%
260	181				LAB	1,837	505	2,342	7.0%	2.6%	5.1%
89	66				LAB	2,344	658	3,002	10.7%	3.8%	7.7%

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157	110				Walsall North	LAB	2,261	584	2,845	8.7%	3.4%	6.6%
112	84				Walsall South	LAB	2,206	665	2,871	9.3%	4.1%	7.2%
78	58				Walthamstow	LAB	2,617	876	3,493	10.6%	4.6%	8.0%
127	93				Wansbeck	LAB	2,002	548	2,550	9.8%	3.4%	7.0%
608	478				Wansdyke <*	LAB	554	197	751	2.1%	1.0%	1.7%
640	510				Wantage	CON	441	179	620	1.6%	0.9%	1.3%
122	90				Warley	LAB	2,017	597	2,614	9.4%	3.8%	7.1%
404	290				Warrington North	LAB	1,284	371	1,655	4.8%	1.9%	3.6%
487	363				Warrington South	LAB	950	302	1,252	3.7%	1.6%	2.8%
456	335				Warwick & Leamington	LAB	1,211	357	1,568	4.2%	1.6%	3.1%
537	410				Watford	LAB	915	276	1,191	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
101	76				Waveney	LAB	2,428	803	3,231	9.5%	4.5%	7.4%
622	492				Wealden	CON	546	184	730	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
285	201				Weaver Vale	LAB	1,508	439	1,947	6.5%	2.6%	4.9%
485	361				Wellingborough	LAB	1,062	338	1,400	3.7%	1.6%	2.8%
453	333				Wells	CON	935	373	1,308	3.9%	2.1%	3.1%
611	481				Welwyn Hatfield	LAB	526	200	726	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
166	116				Wentworth	LAB	2,028	421	2,449	9.1%	2.6%	6.4%
606			72		West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine	LD	475	163	638	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
169	118				West Bromwich East	LAB	2,022	601	2,623	8.4%	3.5%	6.4%
114	85				West Bromwich West	SPKR	2,290	665	2,955	9.3%	4.0%	7.2%
515	389				West Chelmsford	CON	947	341	1,288	3.2%	1.6%	2.5%
553	426				West Derbyshire	CON	693	272	965	2.7%	1.5%	2.2%
513	387				West Dorset	CON	669	281	950	3.1%	1.8%	2.6%
15	13				West Ham	LAB	3,610	1,059	4,669	15.8%	6.6%	12.0%
237	164				West Lancashire	LAB	1,907	584	2,491	7.4%	3.0%	5.5%
425			62		West Renfrewshire	SL	895	218	1,113	4.8%	1.5%	3.4%
557	430				West Suffolk	CON	816	337	1,153	2.6%	1.6%	2.2%
24				4	West Tyrone	UU	2,935	673	3,608	14.4%	5.7%	11.2%
554	427				West Worcestershire	CON	640	213	853	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
566	439				Westbury	CON	716	311	1,027	2.6%	1.5%	2.1%
84			12		Western Isles	LAB	860	196	1,056	10.3%	3.8%	7.8%
587	458				Westmorland & Lonsdale	CON	560	224	784	2.5%	1.3%	1.9%
430	312				Weston-Super-Mare	LD	1,036	352	1,388	4.3%	2.0%	3.3%
288	203				Wigan	LAB	1,459	422	1,881	6.4%	2.6%	4.8%
509	384				Wimbledon	LAB	811	333	1,144	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
603	474				Winchester	LD	634	197	831	2.3%	1.0%	1.7%
627	497				Windsor	CON	546	182	728	1.9%	0.9%	1.5%
409	294				Wirral South	LAB	981	323	1,304	4.8%	2.0%	3.5%
358	255				Wirral West	LAB	1,097	364	1,461	5.5%	2.3%	4.0%
655	525				Witney	CON	369	135	504	1.3%	0.6%	1.0%
654	524				Woking	CON	413	87	500	1.4%	0.4%	1.0%
659	529				Wokingham	CON	290	106	396	1.0%	0.5%	0.8%
188	129				Wolverhampton North East	LAB	1,878	516	2,394	8.1%	3.3%	6.2%
108	81				Wolverhampton South East	LAB	1,890	542	2,432	9.5%	4.1%	7.3%
216	146				Wolverhampton South West	LAB	1,786	512	2,298	7.8%	3.0%	5.8%
623	493				Woodspring	CON	483	179	662	1.9%	0.9%	1.5%
452	332				Worcester	LAB	1,033	293	1,326	4.3%	1.6%	3.1%
209	144				Workington	LAB	1,867	487	2,354	7.9%	2.9%	5.8%
384	274				Worsley	LAB	1,297	343	1,640	5.3%	1.8%	3.8%
527	400				Worthing West	CON	680	183	863	3.4%	1.2%	2.4%
493	369				Wrekin, The	LAB	756	267	1,023	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
344		31			Wrexham	LAB	952	326	1,278	5.5%	2.5%	4.2%
526	399				Wycombe	CON	1,001	261	1,262	3.3%	1.2%	2.4%
458	337				Wyre Forest	LAB	1,048	395	1,443	3.9%	1.9%	3.0%
228	157				Wythenshawe & Sale East	LAB	2,051	475	2,526	8.1%	2.4%	5.6%
520	394				Yeovil *	LD	835	291	1,126	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%
104		3			Ynys-Mon	PC	1,701	505	2,206	9.4%	4.2%	7.4%
338	242				York, City of	LAB	1,650	446	2,096	6.1%	2.0%	4.3%
					United Kingdom		995,140	298,419	1,293,559	6.3%	2.5%	4.7%

**II Residence-based unemployment rates by parliamentary constituency,
United Kingdom, December 1998
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	5,774	1,496	7,270	23.5%	8.9%	17.6%
2	2				Birmingham, Sparkbrook & Small Heath	LAB	4,938	1,404	6,342	18.9%	9.0%	15.2%
3	3				Tottenham	LAB	5,647	1,807	7,454	20.3%	8.4%	15.1%
4	4				Liverpool, Riverside	LAB	4,319	1,098	5,417	20.9%	7.1%	15.0%
5				1	Belfast West	SF	4,406	726	5,132	21.6%	5.1%	14.8%
6	5				Hackney South & Shoreditch	LAB	4,745	1,544	6,289	20.2%	8.1%	14.7%
7	6				Hackney North & Stoke Newington	LAB	4,495	1,646	6,141	18.7%	8.8%	14.4%
8				2	Foyle	SDLP	4,415	995	5,410	19.2%	6.6%	14.2%
9	7				Manchester, Central	LAB	3,995	986	4,981	19.0%	6.7%	13.9%
10	8				Bethnal Green & Bow	LAB	4,334	1,270	5,604	17.3%	7.7%	13.5%
11	9				Poplar & Canning Town	LAB	4,106	1,106	5,212	17.0%	6.7%	12.8%
12	10				Camberwell & Peckham	LAB	3,535	1,178	4,713	17.1%	6.9%	12.5%
13	11				Islington North	LAB	4,003	1,538	5,541	16.8%	7.4%	12.4%
14	12				Sheffield, Central	LAB	3,712	879	4,591	17.0%	5.7%	12.3%
15	13				West Ham	LAB	3,610	1,059	4,669	15.8%	6.6%	12.0%
16				1	Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	2,281	496	2,777	16.5%	5.1%	11.8%
17	14				Holborn & St Pancras	LAB	3,425	1296	4,721	15.5%	7.0%	11.6%
18	15				Middlesbrough	LAB	4,003	844	4,847	16.4%	4.8%	11.6%
19				3	Belfast North	UU	3,004	566	3,570	16.6%	4.4%	11.5%
20	16				Vauxhall	LAB	4,384	1603	5,987	15.5%	6.7%	11.4%
21	17				Lewisham, Deptford	LAB	3,470	1,193	4,663	15.6%	6.4%	11.4%
22	18				Manchester, Gorton	LAB	2,920	785	3,705	15.6%	5.7%	11.4%
23	19				North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	3,542	1,232	4,774	15.0%	6.6%	11.3%
24				4	West Tyrone	UU	2,935	673	3,608	14.4%	5.7%	11.2%
25	20				South Shields	LAB	3,264	689	3,953	15.7%	4.7%	11.1%
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635	505				Guildford	CON	536	164	700	1.9%	0.7%	1.4%
636	506				Esher & Walton	CON	467	180	647	1.7%	0.9%	1.4%
637	507				Aldershot	CON	636	206	842	1.7%	0.8%	1.4%
638	508				Cotswold	CON	385	135	520	1.7%	0.8%	1.3%
639	509				Beaconsfield	CON	441	165	606	1.6%	0.8%	1.3%
640	510				Wantage	CON	441	179	620	1.6%	0.9%	1.3%
641	511				Arundel & South Downs	CON	385	115	500	1.7%	0.7%	1.3%
642	512				Northavon	LD	480	198	678	1.6%	0.9%	1.3%
643	513				Runnymede & Weybridge	CON	449	148	597	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
644	514				Buckingham	CON	363	136	499	1.5%	0.8%	1.2%
645	515				East Surrey	CON	453	154	607	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
646	516				Epsom & Ewell	CON	423	145	568	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
647	517				Horsham	CON	445	135	580	1.6%	0.6%	1.2%
648	518				South West Surrey	CON	419	112	531	1.6%	0.6%	1.2%
649	519				Newbury	LD	439	131	570	1.5%	0.6%	1.1%
650	520				Reigate	CON	357	117	474	1.5%	0.7%	1.1%
651	521				Chesham & Amersham	CON	390	109	499	1.5%	0.6%	1.1%
652	522				North East Hampshire	CON	407	108	515	1.4%	0.6%	1.1%
653	523				Henley	CON	373	109	482	1.4%	0.6%	1.1%
654	524				Woking	CON	413	87	500	1.4%	0.4%	1.0%
655	525				Witney	CON	369	135	504	1.3%	0.6%	1.0%
656	526				Mid Sussex	CON	355	100	455	1.3%	0.5%	1.0%
657	527				Mole Valley	CON	326	93	419	1.3%	0.5%	0.9%
658	528				Surrey Heath	CON	351	103	454	1.1%	0.5%	0.9%
659	529				Wokingham	CON	290	106	396	1.0%	0.5%	0.8%
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23	19				North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	3,542	1,232	4,774	15.0%	6.6%	11.3%
25	20				South Shields	LAB	3,264	689	3,953	15.7%	4.7%	11.1%
26	21				Leeds Central	LAB	3,771	819	4,590	15.8%	4.6%	11.1%
27	22				Liverpool, Walton	LAB	3,491	906	4,397	15.4%	5.2%	11.0%
29	23				Liverpool, West Derby	LAB	3,266	836	4,102	14.8%	5.1%	10.7%
30	24				Nottingham East	LAB	3,383	908	4,291	14.5%	5.1%	10.4%
31	25				Tyne Bridge	LAB	3,312	629	3,941	14.9%	4.0%	10.4%
33	26				Birmingham, Hodge Hill	LAB	2,676	684	3,360	13.8%	5.2%	10.3%
34	27				Islington South & Finsbury	LAB	2,943	1,132	4,075	13.3%	6.5%	10.3%
35	28				Bootle	LAB	2,904	667	3,571	14.6%	4.5%	10.3%
36	29				Greenwich & Woolwich	LAB	3,159	1,110	4,269	13.5%	6.1%	10.3%
37	30				Kingston upon Hull North	LAB	3,439	886	4,325	13.7%	5.1%	10.2%
38	31				Bradford West	LAB	3,170	808	3,978	13.5%	5.0%	10.1%
39	32				East Ham	LAB	3,360	949	4,309	12.9%	5.6%	10.0%
40	33				Hartlepool	LAB	3,310	742	4,052	14.0%	4.4%	10.0%
41	34				Birkenhead	LAB	2,975	702	3,677	14.1%	4.4%	9.9%
43	35				Kingston upon Hull West & Hessle	LAB	3,065	808	3,873	13.3%	4.9%	9.8%
44	36				Great Yarmouth	LAB	2,894	985	3,879	12.1%	5.9%	9.5%
45	37				Stockton North	LAB	3,014	732	3,746	13.1%	4.4%	9.5%
46	38				Brent South	LAB	3,215	987	4,202	12.9%	5.0%	9.4%
47	39				Newcastle upon Tyne East & Wallsend	LAB	2,849	629	3,478	13.6%	3.9%	9.4%
48	40				Liverpool, Wavertree	LAB	3,049	892	3,941	13.1%	4.7%	9.4%
49	41				Kingston upon Hull East	LAB	3,015	740	3,755	12.6%	4.5%	9.3%
51	42				Great Grimsby	LAB	3,112	718	3,830	12.7%	4.2%	9.3%
53	43				Streatham	LAB	3,650	1,362	5,012	12.4%	5.4%	9.2%
54	44				Knowsley South	LAB	3,017	778	3,795	12.4%	4.3%	9.0%
56	45				Sheffield, Brightside	LAB	2,643	571	3,214	12.6%	3.7%	8.9%
57	46				Brent East	LAB	2,764	1,028	3,792	11.6%	5.4%	8.8%
58	47				Sunderland South	LAB	2,837	566	3,403	12.7%	3.4%	8.8%
59	48				Plymouth, Sutton	LAB	2,749	869	3,618	11.3%	5.0%	8.7%
60	49				Leeds East	LAB	2,535	638	3,173	12.0%	4.0%	8.6%
61	50				Brighton, Pavilion	LAB	2,658	932	3,590	11.4%	5.0%	8.6%
65	51				Doncaster Central	LAB	2,651	723	3,374	11.3%	4.3%	8.4%
66	52				Regent's Park & Kensington North	LAB	3,457	1,451	4,908	10.7%	5.4%	8.3%
68	53				Redcar	LAB	2,896	621	3,517	11.7%	3.5%	8.3%
71	54				Sunderland North	LAB	2,455	457	2,912	12.0%	3.1%	8.2%
75	55				Lewisham West	LAB	2,442	854	3,296	11.1%	4.7%	8.2%
76	56				St Ives	LD	2,249	947	3,196	9.6%	5.8%	8.0%

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77	57				Manchester, Blackley	LAB	2,428	509	2,937	11.4%	3.3%	8.0%
78	58				Walthamstow	LAB	2,617	876	3,493	10.6%	4.6%	8.0%
79	59				Erith & Thamesmead	LAB	2,629	896	3,525	10.3%	4.8%	8.0%
80	60				Birmingham, Perry Barr	LAB	2,699	840	3,539	10.6%	4.4%	7.9%
82	61				Bradford North	LAB	2,609	654	3,263	10.9%	3.7%	7.8%
83	62				Rotherham	LAB	2,306	522	2,828	10.9%	3.5%	7.8%
86	63				Jarrow	LAB	2,390	514	2,904	11.1%	3.2%	7.7%
87	64				Isle of Wight	LD	3,122	1,071	4,193	10.0%	4.6%	7.7%
88	65				Nottingham North	LAB	2,515	632	3,147	10.7%	3.6%	7.7%
89	66				Wallasey	LAB	2,344	658	3,002	10.7%	3.8%	7.7%
90	67				Dulwich & West Norwood	LAB	2,778	1,045	3,823	10.3%	4.5%	7.6%
91	68				Newcastle upon Tyne Central	LAB	2,193	556	2,749	10.8%	3.5%	7.6%
92	69				Rochford & Southend East	CON	2,535	698	3,233	10.2%	3.9%	7.6%
93	70				Falmouth & Camborne	LAB	2,257	731	2,988	9.8%	4.5%	7.6%
94	71				Doncaster North	LAB	2,221	512	2,733	10.3%	3.5%	7.5%
96	72				Birmingham, Edgbaston	LAB	2,321	732	3,053	10.1%	4.1%	7.5%
97	73				Hornsey & Wood Green	LAB	3,056	1,146	4,202	10.0%	4.5%	7.5%
98	74				Nottingham South	LAB	2,405	597	3,002	10.4%	3.5%	7.5%
100	75				North Tyneside	LAB	2,413	570	2,983	10.6%	3.3%	7.5%
101	76				Waveney	LAB	2,428	803	3,231	9.5%	4.5%	7.4%
102	77				Huddersfield	LAB	2,256	643	2,899	10.1%	3.8%	7.4%
103	78				Torbay	LD	2,308	674	2,982	10.2%	3.8%	7.4%
106	79				Liverpool, Garston	LAB	2,274	586	2,860	10.4%	3.4%	7.3%
107	80				Ealing, Acton & Shepherd's Bush	LAB	2,992	1,030	4,022	9.9%	4.2%	7.3%
108	81				Wolverhampton South East	LAB	1,890	542	2,432	9.5%	4.1%	7.3%
109	82				Manchester, Withington	LAB	2,082	633	2,715	10.0%	3.8%	7.2%
110	83				Leicester South	LAB	2,472	695	3,167	9.9%	3.7%	7.2%
112	84				Walsall South	LAB	2,206	665	2,871	9.3%	4.1%	7.2%
114	85				West Bromwich West	SPKR	2,290	665	2,955	9.3%	4.0%	7.2%
115	86				Birmingham, Erdington	LAB	2,537	627	3,164	9.8%	3.4%	7.1%
117	87				Derby South	LAB	2,678	704	3,382	9.7%	3.6%	7.1%
120	88				North Thanet	CON	2,069	566	2,635	9.7%	3.6%	7.1%
121	89				Edmonton	LAB	2,266	726	2,992	9.3%	4.0%	7.1%
122	90				Warley	LAB	2,017	597	2,614	9.4%	3.8%	7.1%
124	91				Brighton, Kemptown	LAB	2,125	643	2,768	9.5%	3.8%	7.0%
126	92				Middlesbrough South & East Cleveland	LAB	2,336	590	2,926	9.6%	3.4%	7.0%
127	93				Wansbeck	LAB	2,002	548	2,550	9.8%	3.4%	7.0%
128	94				North Cornwall	LD	2,193	957	3,150	8.2%	5.2%	7.0%
129	95				Sheffield, Heeley	LAB	2,249	605	2,854	9.6%	3.5%	7.0%
130	96				Lewisham East	LAB	1,880	658	2,538	9.3%	4.1%	7.0%
132	97				Darlington	LAB	2,286	552	2,838	9.7%	3.2%	6.9%
135	98				Hastings & Rye	LAB	2,341	569	2,910	9.7%	3.1%	6.9%
136	99				Leyton & Wanstead	LAB	2,221	701	2,922	9.3%	3.7%	6.9%
139	100				Blackpool South	LAB	2,532	685	3,217	9.6%	3.3%	6.8%
140	101				Leicester West	LAB	2,214	607	2,821	9.4%	3.4%	6.8%
141	102				Hampstead & Highgate	LAB	2,345	1,018	3,363	8.9%	4.4%	6.8%
142	103				Birmingham, Northfield	LAB	1,731	511	2,242	9.2%	3.6%	6.8%
143	104				Birmingham, Yardley	LAB	1,761	491	2,252	9.1%	3.5%	6.8%
147	105				Knowsley North & Sefton East	LAB	2,362	651	3,013	9.3%	3.4%	6.7%
149	106				Birmingham, Selly Oak	LAB	2,250	677	2,927	9.2%	3.5%	6.7%
152	107				South Thanet	LAB	1,853	478	2,331	9.1%	3.2%	6.6%
153	108				Barnsley East & Mexborough	LAB	2,007	491	2,498	8.9%	3.2%	6.6%
154	109				Norwich South	LAB	2,204	613	2,817	9.0%	3.3%	6.6%
157	110				Walsall North	LAB	2,261	584	2,845	8.7%	3.4%	6.6%
158	111				Croydon North	LAB	2,875	964	3,839	8.9%	3.7%	6.6%
159	112				Tynemouth	LAB	2,052	498	2,550	9.3%	2.9%	6.5%

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160	113				LAB	2,448	643	3,091	8.9%	3.2%	6.5%
164	114				LAB	1,818	396	2,214	9.1%	2.7%	6.4%
165	115				LAB	1,938	458	2,396	9.0%	2.9%	6.4%
166	116				LAB	2,028	421	2,449	9.1%	2.6%	6.4%
167	117				LAB	2,158	515	2,673	9.0%	2.9%	6.4%
169	118				LAB	2,022	601	2,623	8.4%	3.5%	6.4%
170	119				LAB	1,984	517	2,501	8.7%	3.1%	6.4%
172	120				LAB	2,061	505	2,566	8.8%	3.0%	6.3%
174	121				LAB	1,960	469	2,429	9.0%	2.8%	6.3%
176	122				LAB	2,124	515	2,639	8.8%	2.9%	6.3%
178	123				LAB	1,690	468	2,158	8.3%	3.3%	6.2%
179	124				LAB	2,023	680	2,703	8.2%	3.6%	6.2%
180	125				LD	2,219	587	2,806	8.4%	3.1%	6.2%
182	126				LAB	1,399	470	1,869	7.9%	3.8%	6.2%
184	127				LAB	1,972	524	2,496	8.5%	3.1%	6.2%
186	128				LAB	1,846	499	2,345	8.5%	3.1%	6.2%
188	129				LAB	1,878	516	2,394	8.1%	3.3%	6.2%
189	130				LAB	1,838	677	2,515	8.0%	3.8%	6.1%
190	131				LAB	1,697	401	2,098	8.6%	2.7%	6.1%
191	132				LAB	1,796	520	2,316	8.0%	3.4%	6.1%
192	133				LAB	1,966	609	2,575	7.9%	3.5%	6.1%
195	134				CON	1,593	418	2,011	8.3%	3.0%	6.0%
196	135				LAB	2,085	579	2,664	8.2%	3.1%	6.0%
197	136				LAB	2,235	756	2,991	7.7%	3.6%	6.0%
198	137				LAB	2,128	483	2,611	8.4%	2.7%	6.0%
199	138				LAB	2,586	1,089	3,675	8.1%	3.7%	6.0%
201	139				LAB	2,182	453	2,635	8.6%	2.4%	6.0%
203	140				LAB	1,709	495	2,204	8.0%	3.1%	5.9%
204	141				LAB	1,655	448	2,103	8.0%	3.0%	5.9%
206	142				LAB	2,174	561	2,735	8.4%	2.7%	5.9%
207	143				LAB	1,607	563	2,170	7.7%	3.5%	5.9%
209	144				LAB	1,867	487	2,354	7.9%	2.9%	5.8%
215	145				LAB	1,910	516	2,426	7.9%	2.9%	5.8%
216	146				LAB	1,786	512	2,298	7.8%	3.0%	5.8%
217	147				LAB	2,088	753	2,841	7.8%	3.3%	5.8%
218	148				LAB	1,765	449	2,214	8.0%	2.7%	5.7%
219	149				LAB	1,759	504	2,263	8.0%	2.9%	5.7%
221	150				LAB	1,653	572	2,225	7.6%	3.3%	5.7%
222	151				LAB	1,916	470	2,386	8.1%	2.6%	5.7%
223	152				LAB	1,764	433	2,197	7.9%	2.7%	5.7%
224	153				LAB	1,779	465	2,244	7.7%	2.9%	5.7%
225	154				LAB	1,928	534	2,462	7.5%	3.0%	5.7%
226	155				LAB	2,044	503	2,547	7.7%	2.7%	5.6%
227	156				LAB	1,706	491	2,197	7.5%	3.0%	5.6%
228	157				LAB	2,051	475	2,526	8.1%	2.4%	5.6%
229	158				CON	1,925	424	2,349	7.9%	2.4%	5.6%
230	159				LAB	2,380	821	3,201	7.5%	3.2%	5.6%
231	160				LAB	2,012	486	2,498	7.8%	2.6%	5.6%
234	161				LAB	2,025	519	2,544	7.9%	2.6%	5.6%
235	162				LAB	1,766	480	2,246	7.6%	2.8%	5.6%
236	163				LAB	2,003	588	2,591	7.5%	2.9%	5.5%
237	164				LAB	1,907	584	2,491	7.4%	3.0%	5.5%
238	165				LAB	1,954	460	2,414	7.6%	2.5%	5.5%
239	166				LD	1,746	619	2,365	7.0%	3.4%	5.5%
240	167				LAB	1,846	447	2,293	7.7%	2.5%	5.5%
241	168				LAB	1,792	437	2,229	7.7%	2.5%	5.5%

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244	169				Dover	LAB	1,824	477	2,301	7.3%	2.7%	5.4%
245	170				Luton South	LAB	1,890	521	2,411	7.0%	2.9%	5.4%
246	171				Barnsley West & Penistone	LAB	1,583	418	2,001	7.4%	2.6%	5.4%
247	172				Cities of London & Westminster	CON	2,171	858	3,029	6.9%	3.4%	5.3%
249	173				Berwick-upon-Tweed	LD	1,245	500	1,745	6.5%	3.6%	5.3%
250	174				Ipswich	LAB	1,842	479	2,321	7.3%	2.6%	5.3%
251	175				Bassetlaw	LAB	1,717	477	2,194	7.0%	2.8%	5.3%
253	176				Plymouth, Devonport	LAB	1,919	618	2,537	6.6%	3.2%	5.2%
255	177				Mansfield	LAB	1,679	440	2,119	7.2%	2.5%	5.2%
256	178				Bolton South East	LAB	1,709	387	2,096	7.4%	2.3%	5.2%
257	179				Bristol South	LAB	2,049	545	2,594	7.1%	2.6%	5.2%
258	180				Ashfield	LAB	1,821	470	2,291	7.1%	2.5%	5.2%
260	181				Wakefield	LAB	1,837	505	2,342	7.0%	2.6%	5.1%
261	182				Rother Valley	LAB	1,708	500	2,208	6.8%	2.7%	5.1%
262	183				Leeds North East	LAB	1,553	480	2,033	7.0%	2.7%	5.1%
264	184				Hendon	LAB	1,824	687	2,511	6.5%	3.2%	5.1%
265	185				Bournemouth East	CON	1,398	421	1,819	6.9%	2.7%	5.1%
266	186				Bolsover	LAB	1,535	412	1,947	6.7%	2.6%	5.0%
267	187				Brigg & Goole	LAB	1,497	440	1,937	6.5%	2.8%	5.0%
268	188				Battersea	LAB	1,834	692	2,526	6.8%	2.9%	5.0%
269	189				Mitcham & Morden	LAB	1,654	538	2,192	6.7%	2.8%	5.0%
270	190				Newcastle upon Tyne North	LAB	1,645	372	2,017	7.3%	2.1%	5.0%
271	191				Sittingbourne & Sheppey	LAB	1,545	532	2,077	6.2%	3.2%	5.0%
273	192				Blackpool North & Fleetwood	LAB	1,700	400	2,100	7.3%	2.1%	5.0%
275	193				Thurrock	LAB	1,728	500	2,228	6.5%	2.7%	4.9%
276	194				Sedgefield	LAB	1,450	473	1,923	6.4%	2.9%	4.9%
277	195				Southport	LD	1,531	468	1,999	6.8%	2.6%	4.9%
278	196				Hemsworth	LAB	1,593	390	1,983	6.8%	2.3%	4.9%
279	197				Durham, City of	LAB	1,434	442	1,876	6.7%	2.6%	4.9%
281	198				Enfield North	LAB	1,680	557	2,237	6.4%	2.8%	4.9%
283	199				East Yorkshire	CON	1,403	514	1,917	6.1%	3.1%	4.9%
284	200				St Helens North	LAB	1,634	442	2,076	6.6%	2.5%	4.9%
285	201				Weaver Vale	LAB	1,508	439	1,947	6.5%	2.6%	4.9%
287	202				Totnes	CON	1,252	513	1,765	5.9%	3.3%	4.8%
288	203				Wigan	LAB	1,459	422	1,881	6.4%	2.6%	4.8%
289	204				Gateshead East & Washington West	LAB	1,614	385	1,999	6.9%	2.1%	4.8%
290	205				Bristol West	LAB	1,783	660	2,443	6.4%	2.9%	4.8%
292	206				Croydon Central	LAB	2,064	674	2,738	6.4%	2.7%	4.8%
293	207				Dagenham	LAB	1,329	405	1,734	6.3%	2.7%	4.8%
294	208				Oldham West & Royton	LAB	1,742	428	2,170	6.8%	2.2%	4.8%
295	209				Enfield, Southgate	LAB	1,437	582	2,019	6.0%	3.2%	4.8%
296	210				Louth & Horncastle	CON	1,317	481	1,798	5.9%	3.1%	4.8%
298	211				Crosby	LAB	1,295	365	1,660	6.6%	2.3%	4.7%
300	212				Gravesham	LAB	1,620	553	2,173	5.9%	2.9%	4.7%
301	213				Brent North	LAB	1,258	505	1,763	5.9%	3.1%	4.7%
302	214				Carlisle	LAB	1,376	428	1,804	6.4%	2.5%	4.7%
304	215				Beverley & Holderness	CON	1,426	582	2,008	5.7%	3.2%	4.6%
305	216				Blaydon	LAB	1,530	334	1,864	6.7%	1.9%	4.6%
306	217				Exeter	LAB	1,729	552	2,281	6.4%	2.5%	4.6%
307	218				Medway	LAB	1,467	484	1,951	5.8%	2.8%	4.6%
308	219				Dudley South	LAB	1,525	485	2,010	6.0%	2.7%	4.6%
309	220				Bolton North East	LAB	1,602	362	1,964	6.5%	2.0%	4.6%
310	221				Southend West	CON	1,394	382	1,776	6.3%	2.3%	4.6%
311	222				Bridgwater	CON	1,422	489	1,911	5.8%	2.8%	4.6%
312	223				Bedford	LAB	1,559	527	2,086	6.0%	2.7%	4.6%
313	224				Stretford & Urmston	LAB	1,679	414	2,093	6.5%	2.1%	4.6%

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314	225				Dewsbury	LAB	1,374	352	1,726	6.3%	2.2%	4.5%
315	226				Boston & Skegness	CON	1,281	473	1,754	5.7%	2.9%	4.5%
317	227				Gloucester	LAB	1,798	536	2,334	6.1%	2.4%	4.5%
318	228				North Devon	LD	1,410	511	1,921	5.7%	2.8%	4.5%
319	229				Halesowen & Rowley Regis	LAB	1,444	454	1,898	5.8%	2.6%	4.5%
323	230				Coventry North West	LAB	1,688	495	2,183	6.0%	2.3%	4.4%
324	231				Heywood & Middleton	LAB	1,682	421	2,103	6.2%	2.0%	4.4%
325	232				Torridge & West Devon	LD	1,387	535	1,922	5.4%	3.0%	4.4%
326	233				Keighley	LAB	1,349	472	1,821	5.8%	2.6%	4.4%
327	234				North East Derbyshire	LAB	1,518	426	1,944	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
328	235				Peterborough	LAB	1,580	468	2,048	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
329	236				Leigh	LAB	1,474	413	1,887	5.9%	2.3%	4.4%
331	237				Cambridge	LAB	1,353	407	1,760	5.9%	2.3%	4.3%
332	238				Derby North	LAB	1,611	417	2,028	6.0%	2.1%	4.3%
334	239				South East Cornwall	LD	1,289	565	1,854	5.1%	3.2%	4.3%
336	240				Norwich North	LAB	1,492	484	1,976	5.6%	2.5%	4.3%
337	241				Gainsborough	CON	1,170	445	1,615	5.2%	2.9%	4.3%
338	242				York, City of	LAB	1,650	446	2,096	6.1%	2.0%	4.3%
339	243				Putney	LAB	1,253	509	1,762	5.6%	2.6%	4.2%
340	244				Ealing North *	LAB	1,675	599	2,274	5.6%	2.5%	4.2%
342	245				Canterbury	CON	1,352	415	1,767	5.7%	2.3%	4.2%
343	246				Eastbourne	CON	1,232	385	1,617	5.9%	2.2%	4.2%
346	247				Makerfield	LAB	1,367	414	1,781	5.5%	2.3%	4.1%
348	248				Stalybridge & Hyde	LAB	1,392	403	1,795	5.6%	2.1%	4.1%
350	249				Telford	LAB	1,235	372	1,607	5.5%	2.2%	4.1%
351	250				Stoke-on-Trent South	LAB	1,357	473	1,830	5.3%	2.5%	4.1%
352	251				Meriden	CON	1,639	473	2,112	5.5%	2.2%	4.1%
355	252				Havant	CON	1,395	364	1,759	5.6%	2.0%	4.1%
356	253				Stoke-on-Trent North	LAB	1,154	351	1,505	5.4%	2.2%	4.1%
357	254				Ashton under Lyne	LAB	1,573	367	1,940	5.8%	1.8%	4.1%
358	255				Wirral West	LAB	1,097	364	1,461	5.5%	2.3%	4.0%
359	256				Sheffield, Hillsborough	LAB	1,528	482	2,010	5.5%	2.2%	4.0%
360	257				North West Norfolk	LAB	1,343	484	1,827	5.1%	2.5%	4.0%
362	258				Burton	LAB	1,413	429	1,842	5.3%	2.2%	4.0%
363	259				Sherwood	LAB	1,442	399	1,841	5.5%	2.0%	4.0%
365	260				Batley & Spen	LAB	1,345	328	1,673	5.6%	1.8%	4.0%
366	261				Slough	LAB	1,505	427	1,932	5.4%	2.1%	4.0%
367	262				Finchley & Golders Green	LAB	1,380	629	2,009	4.9%	2.9%	4.0%
369	263				Oxford East	LAB	1,322	384	1,706	5.6%	2.0%	4.0%
370	264				Stourbridge	LAB	1,329	408	1,737	5.2%	2.2%	4.0%
371	265				Beckenham	CON	1,474	488	1,962	5.3%	2.2%	3.9%
372	266				Teignbridge	CON	1,299	442	1,741	5.1%	2.3%	3.9%
373	267				Crewe & Nantwich	LAB	1,247	432	1,679	5.0%	2.4%	3.9%
374	268				Luton North	LAB	1,326	442	1,768	5.1%	2.3%	3.9%
375	269				Cannock Chase	LAB	1,351	452	1,803	5.0%	2.4%	3.9%
378	270				Leeds North West	LAB	1,089	361	1,450	5.2%	2.2%	3.9%
380	271				South Dorset	CON	1,180	374	1,554	5.0%	2.2%	3.8%
382	272				Newark	LAB	1,271	353	1,624	5.1%	2.0%	3.8%
383	273				Northampton North	LAB	1,432	445	1,877	5.2%	2.1%	3.8%
384	274				Worsley	LAB	1,297	343	1,640	5.3%	1.8%	3.8%
385	275				Colne Valley	LAB	1,317	441	1,758	5.0%	2.2%	3.8%
386	276				Stockport	LAB	1,346	294	1,640	5.5%	1.6%	3.8%
387	277				North Norfolk	CON	1,138	383	1,521	4.7%	2.3%	3.8%
388	278				Pendle	LAB	1,135	327	1,462	5.1%	2.0%	3.8%
389	279				Redditch	LAB	1,151	431	1,582	4.8%	2.4%	3.7%
391	280				Erewash	LAB	1,464	441	1,905	4.9%	2.0%	3.7%

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393	281				LAB	1,360	530	1,890	4.6%	2.5%	3.7%
394	282				CON	1,371	771	2,142	4.3%	3.0%	3.7%
395	283				LAB	1,373	566	1,939	4.6%	2.5%	3.7%
396	284				LAB	1,420	396	1,816	5.1%	1.8%	3.6%
397	285				LAB	1,240	307	1,547	5.1%	1.7%	3.6%
398	286				CON	1,195	466	1,661	4.4%	2.5%	3.6%
400	287				LAB	1,113	381	1,494	4.7%	2.1%	3.6%
402	288				CON	1,027	393	1,420	4.6%	2.3%	3.6%
403	289				LAB	1,264	302	1,566	5.1%	1.6%	3.6%
404	290				LAB	1,284	371	1,655	4.8%	1.9%	3.6%
405	291				LAB	1,210	362	1,572	4.9%	1.9%	3.6%
407	292				LD	1,113	392	1,505	4.8%	2.1%	3.6%
408	293				LAB	1,135	310	1,445	4.8%	1.8%	3.5%
409	294				LAB	981	323	1,304	4.8%	2.0%	3.5%
411	295				LAB	1,193	360	1,553	4.9%	1.8%	3.5%
412	296				LAB	1,087	443	1,530	4.4%	2.4%	3.5%
413	297				LAB	1,033	358	1,391	4.6%	2.1%	3.5%
414	298				LAB	1,239	362	1,601	4.8%	1.8%	3.5%
415	299				LAB	1,291	397	1,688	4.8%	1.9%	3.5%
416	300				LAB	1,148	330	1,478	4.8%	1.8%	3.5%
417	301				LD	1,237	288	1,525	5.0%	1.5%	3.5%
418	302				LAB	1,181	407	1,588	4.4%	2.1%	3.5%
419	303				LAB	1,152	414	1,566	4.4%	2.2%	3.5%
420	304				LAB	1,138	404	1,542	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
421	305				LAB	1,083	360	1,443	4.6%	1.9%	3.4%
422	306				LD	1,200	415	1,615	4.3%	2.1%	3.4%
424	307				LAB	1,133	423	1,556	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%
426	308				LAB	1,074	418	1,492	4.1%	2.3%	3.4%
427	309				LAB	1,053	314	1,367	4.5%	1.8%	3.4%
428	310				LAB	1,134	284	1,418	4.7%	1.6%	3.4%
429	311				LAB	1,273	411	1,684	4.4%	1.9%	3.4%
430	312				LD	1,036	352	1,388	4.3%	2.0%	3.3%
431	313				LAB	1,236	344	1,580	4.6%	1.7%	3.3%
432	314				CON	1,185	354	1,539	4.4%	1.8%	3.3%
433	315				LAB	1,275	370	1,645	4.4%	1.8%	3.3%
434	316				LAB	883	405	1,288	3.8%	2.6%	3.3%
435	317				LAB	1,186	410	1,596	4.2%	2.1%	3.3%
437	318				LAB	1,358	543	1,901	4.3%	2.1%	3.3%
438	319				LAB	1,016	335	1,351	4.3%	1.9%	3.3%
439	320				CON	1,001	348	1,349	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
440	321				LD	1,038	361	1,399	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
441	322				CON	802	278	1,080	4.2%	1.9%	3.2%
442	323				LD	794	270	1,064	4.3%	1.9%	3.2%
443	324				CON	1,075	400	1,475	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
444	325				LD	1,197	335	1,532	4.4%	1.6%	3.2%
446	326				LAB	1,111	363	1,474	4.2%	1.8%	3.2%
447	327				CON	859	282	1,141	4.3%	1.8%	3.2%
448	328				LAB	1,093	394	1,487	4.0%	2.0%	3.2%
449	329				LAB	1,045	288	1,333	4.4%	1.6%	3.2%
450	330				CON	1,094	340	1,434	4.2%	1.8%	3.2%
451	331				LAB	1,230	396	1,626	4.2%	1.8%	3.2%
452	332				LAB	1,033	293	1,326	4.3%	1.6%	3.1%
453	333				CON	935	373	1,308	3.9%	2.1%	3.1%
455	334				CON	757	238	995	4.1%	1.7%	3.1%
456	335				LAB	1,211	357	1,568	4.2%	1.6%	3.1%
457	336				CON	1,049	320	1,369	4.0%	1.8%	3.1%

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458	337				LAB	1,048	395	1,443	3.9%	1.9%	3.0%
459	338				CON	926	344	1,270	3.7%	2.0%	3.0%
460	339				CON	793	266	1,059	3.9%	1.8%	3.0%
462	340				CON	879	248	1,127	4.1%	1.6%	3.0%
463	341				LAB	1,018	374	1,392	3.7%	2.0%	3.0%
464	342				LAB	795	263	1,058	3.9%	1.8%	3.0%
465	343				CON	1,040	448	1,488	3.4%	2.2%	2.9%
466	344				LAB	991	282	1,273	4.0%	1.5%	2.9%
468	345				LAB	1,106	340	1,446	3.9%	1.6%	2.9%
469	346				LAB	1,032	364	1,396	3.7%	1.8%	2.9%
470	347				LAB	855	290	1,145	3.7%	1.7%	2.9%
471	348				LAB	941	279	1,220	4.0%	1.5%	2.9%
472	349				LAB	858	350	1,208	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
473	350				CON	902	338	1,240	3.6%	1.8%	2.9%
475	351				CON	961	326	1,287	3.6%	1.7%	2.8%
476	352				LD	762	257	1,019	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
477	353				CON	809	307	1,116	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
478	354				CON	961	375	1,336	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
479	355				LD	947	329	1,276	3.7%	1.7%	2.8%
480	356				CON	910	335	1,245	3.6%	1.8%	2.8%
481	357				LAB	1,009	372	1,381	3.7%	1.7%	2.8%
482	358				CON	955	353	1,308	3.5%	1.8%	2.8%
483	359				LAB	968	310	1,278	3.8%	1.6%	2.8%
484	360				LAB	954	320	1,274	3.7%	1.6%	2.8%
485	361				LAB	1,062	338	1,400	3.7%	1.6%	2.8%
486	362				LAB	821	274	1,095	3.6%	1.6%	2.8%
487	363				LAB	950	302	1,252	3.7%	1.6%	2.8%
488	364				LAB	805	303	1,108	3.5%	1.8%	2.8%
489	365				LAB	960	349	1,309	3.5%	1.8%	2.8%
490	366				LAB	992	310	1,302	3.6%	1.5%	2.7%
491	367				CON	906	353	1,259	3.5%	1.7%	2.7%
492	368				LAB	859	314	1,173	3.3%	1.8%	2.7%
493	369				LAB	756	267	1,023	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
494	370				LAB	891	294	1,185	3.5%	1.6%	2.7%
495	371				CON	968	346	1,314	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
496	372				CON	895	339	1,234	3.4%	1.7%	2.7%
497	373				LAB	966	295	1,261	3.6%	1.5%	2.7%
498	374				LAB	943	281	1,224	3.6%	1.4%	2.7%
500	375				LAB	948	295	1,243	3.5%	1.5%	2.7%
501	376				LAB	980	261	1,241	3.6%	1.3%	2.6%
502	377				CON	863	290	1,153	3.4%	1.6%	2.6%
503	378				CON	818	297	1,115	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
504	379				LD	957	397	1,354	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
505	380				LAB	884	298	1,182	3.4%	1.5%	2.6%
506	381				CON	713	240	953	3.3%	1.6%	2.6%
507	382				CON	894	349	1,243	3.2%	1.8%	2.6%
508	383				LD	998	358	1,356	3.4%	1.6%	2.6%
509	384				LAB	811	333	1,144	3.3%	1.7%	2.6%
511	385				LAB	972	276	1,248	3.5%	1.3%	2.6%
512	386				CON	778	274	1,052	3.2%	1.6%	2.6%
513	387				CON	669	281	950	3.1%	1.8%	2.6%
514	388				CON	647	192	839	3.4%	1.4%	2.5%
515	389				CON	947	341	1,288	3.2%	1.6%	2.5%
516	390				CON	889	336	1,225	3.2%	1.6%	2.5%
517	391				CON	710	267	977	3.1%	1.7%	2.5%
518	392				CON	801	259	1,060	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%

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519	393				Ryedale	CON	671	279	950	3.1%	1.7%	2.5%
520	394				Yeovil *	LD	835	291	1,126	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%
521	395				Stroud	LAB	872	311	1,183	3.2%	1.5%	2.5%
523	396				Richmond	CON	738	320	1,058	2.9%	1.8%	2.5%
524	397				Bolton West	LAB	741	235	976	3.3%	1.4%	2.5%
525	398				Eddisbury	CON	735	231	966	3.1%	1.4%	2.4%
526	399				Wycombe	CON	1,001	261	1,262	3.3%	1.2%	2.4%
527	400				Worthing West	CON	680	183	863	3.4%	1.2%	2.4%
528	401				South West Devon	CON	728	295	1,023	3.0%	1.6%	2.4%
529	402				Pudsey	LAB	842	273	1,115	3.3%	1.3%	2.4%
530	403				Uxbridge	CON	715	268	983	3.1%	1.5%	2.4%
531	404				Rushcliffe	CON	901	283	1,184	3.2%	1.3%	2.4%
532	405				Congleton	CON	760	258	1,018	3.1%	1.4%	2.4%
533	406				Christchurch	CON	588	191	779	3.1%	1.4%	2.3%
534	407				Lichfield	CON	718	272	990	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
535	408				Maidstone & The Weald	CON	858	266	1,124	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
536	409				Bury North	LAB	838	239	1,077	3.2%	1.2%	2.3%
537	410				Watford	LAB	915	276	1,191	3.1%	1.3%	2.3%
538	411				North West Cambridgeshire	CON	833	275	1,108	3.0%	1.4%	2.3%
539	412				Old Bexley & Sidcup	CON	747	281	1,028	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
540	413				Mid Worcestershire	CON	679	289	968	2.8%	1.6%	2.3%
541	414				Sleaford & North Hykeham	CON	696	268	964	2.8%	1.6%	2.3%
542	415				Solihull	CON	833	319	1,152	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
543	416				Kettering	LAB	796	309	1,105	2.9%	1.5%	2.3%
544	417				Harrogate & Knaresborough	LD	705	225	930	3.2%	1.2%	2.3%
545	418				Penrith & The Border	CON	645	283	928	2.7%	1.7%	2.3%
546	419				Altrincham & Sale West	CON	806	187	993	3.2%	1.0%	2.3%
547	420				Rugby & Kenilworth	LAB	847	307	1,154	2.9%	1.4%	2.3%
548	421				Orpington	CON	874	316	1,190	2.9%	1.4%	2.2%
549	422				Twickenham	LD	832	316	1,148	2.9%	1.4%	2.2%
550	423				Broxbourne	CON	761	275	1,036	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%
551	424				Huntingdon	CON	837	380	1,217	2.6%	1.7%	2.2%
552	425				Hazel Grove	LD	730	192	922	3.1%	1.1%	2.2%
553	426				West Derbyshire	CON	693	272	965	2.7%	1.5%	2.2%
554	427				West Worcestershire	CON	640	213	853	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
555	428				Croydon South	CON	823	296	1,119	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
556	429				Reading East	LAB	841	245	1,086	3.0%	1.2%	2.2%
557	430				West Suffolk	CON	816	337	1,153	2.6%	1.6%	2.2%
558	431				North East Milton Keynes	LAB	751	254	1,005	2.9%	1.3%	2.2%
559	432				Somerton & Frome *	LD	687	298	985	2.6%	1.6%	2.2%
560	433				Chichester	CON	715	237	952	2.9%	1.2%	2.2%
561	434				Tonbridge & Malling	CON	687	229	916	2.8%	1.3%	2.2%
562	435				Crawley	LAB	779	252	1,031	2.9%	1.2%	2.2%
563	436				Sutton & Cheam	LD	665	266	931	2.8%	1.4%	2.2%
564	437				Stone	CON	621	295	916	2.5%	1.6%	2.2%
565	438				Bury St Edmunds	CON	695	306	1,001	2.6%	1.5%	2.1%
566	439				Westbury	CON	716	311	1,027	2.6%	1.5%	2.1%
567	440				South Holland & The Deepings	CON	600	253	853	2.6%	1.5%	2.1%
569	441				Rayleigh	CON	678	264	942	2.6%	1.4%	2.1%
570	442				Kingswood	LAB	819	224	1,043	2.9%	1.0%	2.1%
571	443				New Forest East	CON	674	205	879	2.7%	1.2%	2.1%
572	444				Tewkesbury	CON	643	246	889	2.7%	1.3%	2.1%
573	445				Reading West	LAB	851	175	1,026	3.0%	0.8%	2.1%
574	446				East Worthing & Shoreham	CON	679	198	877	2.8%	1.1%	2.0%
575	447				North Essex	CON	636	199	835	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
576	448				South Ribble	LAB	733	227	960	2.8%	1.1%	2.0%

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577	449				CON	574	246	820	2.5%	1.4%	2.0%
578	450				CON	637	190	827	2.8%	1.1%	2.0%
579	451				CON	650	254	904	2.5%	1.3%	2.0%
580	452				LAB	674	240	914	2.6%	1.2%	2.0%
581	453				CON	853	263	1,116	2.7%	1.1%	2.0%
582	454				CON	726	263	989	2.5%	1.3%	2.0%
583	455				CON	616	273	889	2.4%	1.4%	2.0%
584	456				CON	622	210	832	2.5%	1.2%	2.0%
586	457				CON	634	253	887	2.5%	1.3%	1.9%
587	458				CON	560	224	784	2.5%	1.3%	1.9%
588	459				CON	699	293	992	2.3%	1.4%	1.9%
589	460				CON	685	167	852	2.8%	0.9%	1.9%
590	461				CON	755	236	991	2.5%	1.1%	1.9%
591	462				CON	573	247	820	2.3%	1.4%	1.9%
592	463				CON	740	197	937	2.6%	0.9%	1.9%
593	464				CON	696	241	937	2.4%	1.1%	1.9%
594	465				CON	599	215	814	2.4%	1.2%	1.9%
595	466				LAB	699	210	909	2.5%	1.0%	1.9%
596	467				CON	692	266	958	2.3%	1.2%	1.9%
597	468				LD	646	218	864	2.4%	1.1%	1.8%
598	469				IND	546	169	715	2.4%	1.0%	1.8%
599	470				CON	672	176	848	2.5%	0.8%	1.8%
600	471				CON	599	185	784	2.3%	1.0%	1.8%
601	472				CON	578	194	772	2.3%	1.0%	1.8%
602	473				CON	598	254	852	2.1%	1.2%	1.7%
603	474				LD	634	197	831	2.3%	1.0%	1.7%
604	475				CON	531	210	741	2.1%	1.2%	1.7%
605	476				CON	473	175	648	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
607	477				CON	547	251	798	1.9%	1.3%	1.7%
608	478				LAB	554	197	751	2.1%	1.0%	1.7%
609	479				CON	584	230	814	2.0%	1.1%	1.7%
610	480				CON	607	253	860	2.0%	1.1%	1.6%
611	481				LAB	526	200	726	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
612	482				CON	489	208	697	1.9%	1.1%	1.6%
613	483				CON	508	179	687	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
614	484				CON	561	187	748	2.0%	0.9%	1.6%
615	485				CON	487	186	673	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
616	486				CON	536	152	688	2.2%	0.8%	1.6%
617	487				CON	637	247	884	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
618	488				CON	561	171	732	2.1%	0.9%	1.6%
619	489				CON	564	185	749	2.1%	0.9%	1.6%
620	490				CON	515	184	699	2.0%	1.0%	1.6%
621	491				CON	530	185	715	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
622	492				CON	546	184	730	2.0%	0.9%	1.5%
623	493				CON	483	179	662	1.9%	0.9%	1.5%
624	494				CON	539	229	768	1.8%	1.1%	1.5%
625	495				CON	615	178	793	2.0%	0.8%	1.5%
626	496				CON	528	196	724	1.9%	0.9%	1.5%
627	497				CON	546	182	728	1.9%	0.9%	1.5%
628	498				CON	563	179	742	2.0%	0.8%	1.5%
629	499				CON	470	191	661	1.8%	1.0%	1.5%
630	500				LD	555	171	726	2.0%	0.8%	1.5%
631	501				CON	607	177	784	1.9%	0.8%	1.4%
632	502				LAB	458	183	641	1.8%	0.9%	1.4%
633	503				CON	474	148	622	1.9%	0.8%	1.4%
634	504				CON	487	159	646	1.9%	0.8%	1.4%

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635	505				CON	536	164	700	1.9%	0.7%	1.4%
636	506				CON	467	180	647	1.7%	0.9%	1.4%
637	507				CON	636	206	842	1.7%	0.8%	1.4%
638	508				CON	385	135	520	1.7%	0.8%	1.3%
639	509				CON	441	165	606	1.6%	0.8%	1.3%
640	510				CON	441	179	620	1.6%	0.9%	1.3%
641	511				CON	385	115	500	1.7%	0.7%	1.3%
642	512				LD	480	198	678	1.6%	0.9%	1.3%
643	513				CON	449	148	597	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
644	514				CON	363	136	499	1.5%	0.8%	1.2%
645	515				CON	453	154	607	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
646	516				CON	423	145	568	1.6%	0.7%	1.2%
647	517				CON	445	135	580	1.6%	0.6%	1.2%
648	518				CON	419	112	531	1.6%	0.6%	1.2%
649	519				LD	439	131	570	1.5%	0.6%	1.1%
650	520				CON	357	117	474	1.5%	0.7%	1.1%
651	521				CON	390	109	499	1.5%	0.6%	1.1%
652	522				CON	407	108	515	1.4%	0.6%	1.1%
653	523				CON	373	109	482	1.4%	0.6%	1.1%
654	524				CON	413	87	500	1.4%	0.4%	1.0%
655	525				CON	369	135	504	1.3%	0.6%	1.0%
656	526				CON	355	100	455	1.3%	0.5%	1.0%
657	527				CON	326	93	419	1.3%	0.5%	0.9%
658	528				CON	351	103	454	1.1%	0.5%	0.9%
659	529				CON	290	106	396	1.0%	0.5%	0.8%
England						796,221	242,568	1,038,789	6.0%	2.5%	4.5%

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69		1			Caernarfon	PC	1,585	555	2,140	10.4%	5.2%	8.3%
81		2			Blaenau Gwent	LAB	1,855	483	2,338	10.5%	4.0%	7.9%
104		3			Ynys-Mon	PC	1,701	505	2,206	9.4%	4.2%	7.4%
111		4			Conwy	LAB	1,638	420	2,058	10.2%	3.3%	7.2%
113		5			Carmarthen West & South Pembrokeshire	LAB	1,653	524	2,177	9.3%	4.2%	7.2%
116		6			Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	LAB	1,778	399	2,177	9.9%	3.2%	7.1%
119		7			Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	PC	949	380	1,329	8.7%	4.9%	7.1%
125		8			Cynon Valley	LAB	1,491	379	1,870	9.7%	3.4%	7.0%
134		9			Preseli Pembrokeshire	LAB	1,679	479	2,158	9.0%	3.8%	6.9%
137		10			Cardiff South & Penarth	LAB	2,028	463	2,491	9.7%	3.0%	6.8%
156		11			Rhondda	LAB	1,607	394	2,001	8.9%	3.2%	6.6%
168		12			Swansea West	LAB	1,560	402	1,962	8.9%	3.1%	6.4%
177		13			Cardiff West	LAB	1,832	399	2,231	9.2%	2.6%	6.3%
183		14			Vale of Clwyd	LAB	1,331	407	1,738	8.4%	3.3%	6.2%
200		15			Neath	LAB	1,364	449	1,813	7.7%	3.5%	6.0%
205		16			Newport West	LAB	1,657	393	2,050	8.3%	2.6%	5.9%
208		17			Caerphilly	LAB	1,763	395	2,158	8.2%	2.5%	5.8%
210		18			Llanelli	LAB	1,356	397	1,753	7.7%	3.1%	5.8%
213		19			Aberavon	LAB	1,216	334	1,550	7.8%	3.0%	5.8%
214		20			Swansea East	LAB	1,644	359	2,003	8.3%	2.4%	5.8%
232		21			Ogmore	LAB	1,340	357	1,697	7.6%	2.8%	5.6%
233		22			Cardiff Central	LAB	1,510	381	1,891	8.0%	2.5%	5.6%
254		23			Newport East	LAB	1,366	381	1,747	7.0%	2.7%	5.2%
263		24			Ceredigion	PC	1,034	369	1,403	6.4%	3.2%	5.1%
272		25			Bridgend	LAB	1,270	432	1,702	6.5%	2.9%	5.0%
297		26			Torfaen	LAB	1,380	346	1,726	6.6%	2.3%	4.8%
316		27			Clwyd West <*	LAB	983	324	1,307	6.0%	2.6%	4.5%
322		28			Vale of Glamorgan	LAB	1,483	399	1,882	6.0%	2.2%	4.4%
330		29			Islwyn	LAB	963	316	1,279	5.7%	2.5%	4.4%
333		30			Carmarthen East & Dinefwr	LAB	896	328	1,224	5.3%	2.8%	4.3%
344		31			Wrexham	LAB	952	326	1,278	5.5%	2.5%	4.2%
345		32			Gower	LAB	1,031	292	1,323	5.7%	2.1%	4.2%
349		33			Pontypridd	LAB	1,264	336	1,600	5.7%	2.0%	4.1%
368		34			Clwyd South *->	LAB	921	290	1,211	5.2%	2.3%	4.0%
381		35			Brecon & Radnorshire	LD	823	319	1,142	4.7%	2.6%	3.8%
399		36			Alyn & Deeside	LAB	1,028	299	1,327	4.8%	1.9%	3.6%
401		37			Monmouth	LAB	919	344	1,263	4.5%	2.3%	3.6%
423		38			Delyn	LAB	848	245	1,093	4.5%	1.8%	3.4%
499		39			Montgomeryshire	LD	486	193	679	3.2%	1.9%	2.7%
510		40			Cardiff North	LAB	670	181	851	3.7%	1.2%	2.6%
					Wales		52,854	14,974	67,828	7.3%	2.8%	5.4%

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unemployment rate					Claimants			Rate				
UK	Eng	Wal	SCO	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
16			1		Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	2,281	496	2,777	16.5%	5.1%	11.8%
28			2		Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	2,633	675	3,308	15.4%	5.1%	10.9%
32			3		Glasgow Springburn	LAB	2,444	546	2,990	15.3%	4.2%	10.3%
55			4		Glasgow Pollok	LAB	2,154	527	2,681	12.7%	4.0%	9.0%
62			5		Kirkcaldy	LAB	2,049	615	2,664	11.5%	4.5%	8.5%
63			6		Glasgow Govan	LAB	2,177	559	2,736	12.0%	3.9%	8.4%
64			7		Glasgow Kelvin	LAB	2,032	553	2,585	11.9%	4.0%	8.4%
67			8		Glasgow Anniesland	LAB	1,852	371	2,223	12.7%	3.0%	8.3%
70			9		Glasgow Baillieston	LAB	2,061	507	2,568	11.6%	3.8%	8.2%
72			10		Cunninghame South	LAB	1,923	661	2,584	10.7%	4.9%	8.2%
73			11		Dundee East	LAB	2,344	662	3,006	11.6%	4.1%	8.2%
84			12		Western Isles	LAB	860	196	1,056	10.3%	3.8%	7.8%
95			13		Central Fife	LAB	2,036	585	2,621	10.3%	3.8%	7.5%
99			14		Dundee West	LAB	1,936	518	2,454	10.9%	3.4%	7.5%
105			15		Motherwell & Wishaw	LAB	1,693	428	2,121	10.3%	3.5%	7.4%
123			16		Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley	LAB	2,214	617	2,831	9.5%	3.7%	7.1%
131			17		Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross	LD	1,318	438	1,756	8.6%	4.4%	6.9%
133			18		Cunninghame North	LAB	1,613	543	2,156	8.9%	4.2%	6.9%
138			19		Paisley North	LAB	1,574	440	2,014	9.8%	3.3%	6.8%
144			20		Paisley South	LAB	1,819	454	2,273	9.8%	3.0%	6.8%
145			21		Kilmarnock & Loudoun	LAB	1,976	609	2,585	9.1%	3.7%	6.8%
146			22		Dunfermline East	LAB	1,744	396	2,140	9.4%	3.0%	6.7%
148			23		Airdrie & Shotts	LAB	1,876	557	2,433	8.9%	3.7%	6.7%
151			24		Argyll & Bute	LD	1,483	555	2,038	8.3%	4.3%	6.7%
155			25		Dumbarton	LAB	1,894	565	2,459	8.8%	3.5%	6.6%
161			26		Hamilton North & Bellshill	LAB	1,766	485	2,251	8.8%	3.3%	6.5%
163			27		Ross, Skye & Inverness West	LD	1,534	616	2,150	7.8%	4.5%	6.4%
171			28		Clydebank & Milngavie	LAB	1,552	375	1,927	9.1%	2.8%	6.3%
173			29		Falkirk West	LAB	1,617	451	2,068	8.8%	3.2%	6.3%
175			30		Glasgow Rutherglen	LAB	1,392	354	1,746	8.9%	2.9%	6.3%
181			31		Glasgow Cathcart	LAB	1,429	357	1,786	9.0%	2.8%	6.2%
185			32		Ayr	LAB	1,451	481	1,932	8.2%	3.6%	6.2%
187			33		Coatbridge & Chryston	LAB	1,433	417	1,850	8.3%	3.2%	6.2%
193			34		Hamilton South	LAB	1,311	346	1,657	8.4%	3.0%	6.1%
202			35		Edinburgh North & Leith	LAB	1,945	540	2,485	8.7%	2.8%	5.9%
211			36		Edinburgh Central	LAB	1,513	462	1,975	8.4%	2.9%	5.8%
212			37		Ochil	LAB	1,495	444	1,939	7.9%	3.1%	5.8%
220			38		Galloway & Upper Nithsdale	SNP	1,319	507	1,826	7.0%	3.9%	5.7%
242			39		Dunfermline West	LAB	1,427	380	1,807	7.6%	2.7%	5.5%
252			40		Falkirk East	LAB	1,509	411	1,920	7.3%	2.6%	5.3%
259			41		Clydesdale	LAB	1,532	453	1,985	6.9%	2.8%	5.1%
274			42		Inverness East, Nairn & Lochaber	LAB	1,473	579	2,052	6.3%	3.2%	5.0%
280			43		Greenock & Inverclyde	LAB	1,151	289	1,440	7.1%	2.2%	4.9%
282			44		Stirling	LAB	1,175	382	1,557	6.6%	2.7%	4.9%
286			45		Angus	SNP	1,318	470	1,788	6.3%	2.9%	4.8%
291			46		Cumbernauld & Kilsyth	LAB	1,220	334	1,554	6.8%	2.3%	4.8%
299			47		Dumfries	LAB	1,368	498	1,866	6.1%	2.9%	4.7%
321			48		Aberdeen Central	LAB	1,139	284	1,423	6.5%	2.0%	4.5%
335			49		Edinburgh East & Musselburgh	LAB	1,225	305	1,530	6.3%	1.9%	4.3%
341			50		Edinburgh South	LAB	1,089	308	1,397	6.1%	2.0%	4.2%
347			51		Livingston	LAB	1,286	349	1,635	5.9%	2.0%	4.1%
353			52		Perth	SNP	1,150	346	1,496	5.7%	2.1%	4.1%
354			53		North East Fife	LD	928	367	1,295	5.1%	2.7%	4.1%
361			54		Moray	SNP	1,077	404	1,481	4.8%	2.8%	4.0%
376			55		Linlithgow	LAB	1,118	273	1,391	5.5%	1.7%	3.9%
377			56		Roxburgh & Berwickshire	LD	846	307	1,153	5.0%	2.4%	3.9%

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UK	Eng	Wal	SCO	NI	Party	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All
379			57		LAB	1,252	433	1,685	5.2%	2.2%	3.9%
390			58		LAB	1,101	278	1,379	5.4%	1.7%	3.7%
392			59		SNP	987	394	1,381	4.7%	2.4%	3.7%
406			60		LAB	1,174	304	1,478	5.1%	1.7%	3.6%
410			61		LAB	943	262	1,205	4.9%	1.8%	3.5%
425			62		SL	895	218	1,113	4.8%	1.5%	3.4%
436			63		LAB	845	168	1,013	5.0%	1.2%	3.3%
445			64		LD	763	257	1,020	4.3%	1.8%	3.2%
454			65		LAB	947	310	1,257	4.1%	1.8%	3.1%
461			66		LD	985	264	1,249	4.3%	1.4%	3.0%
467			67		LD	449	171	620	3.5%	2.0%	2.9%
474			68		SNP	795	251	1,046	3.6%	1.8%	2.9%
522			69		LAB	791	193	984	3.5%	1.1%	2.5%
568			70		LAB	621	150	771	3.0%	0.9%	2.1%
585			71		LD	533	197	730	2.4%	1.3%	2.0%
606			72		LD	475	163	638	2.1%	1.1%	1.7%
					Scotland	103,330	29,660	132,990	7.6%	2.8%	5.5%

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UK	Eng	Wal	Sco	NI	Party	Claimants			Rate			
						Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	
5				1	Belfast West	SF	4,406	726	5,132	21.6%	5.1%	14.8%
8				2	Foyle	SDLP	4,415	995	5,410	19.2%	6.6%	14.2%
19				3	Belfast North	UU	3,004	566	3,570	16.6%	4.4%	11.5%
24				4	West Tyrone	UU	2,935	673	3,608	14.4%	5.7%	11.2%
42				5	Newry & Armagh	SDLP	3,145	728	3,873	12.7%	4.9%	9.8%
50				6	East Londonderry	UU	2,532	710	3,242	11.9%	5.2%	9.3%
52				7	Fermanagh & South Tyrone	UU	2,474	703	3,177	11.4%	5.5%	9.2%
74				8	Mid Ulster	SF	2,055	555	2,610	10.3%	4.7%	8.2%
85				9	South Down	SDLP	2,312	680	2,992	9.8%	4.6%	7.7%
118				10	North Antrim	DU	2,320	665	2,985	9.1%	4.1%	7.1%
150				11	Belfast South	UU	1,974	698	2,672	9.1%	3.8%	6.7%
162				12	Belfast East	DU	1,889	513	2,402	9.0%	3.2%	6.4%
194				13	East Antrim	UU	1,898	536	2,434	8.1%	3.2%	6.1%
243				14	Upper Bann	UU	1,732	552	2,284	7.0%	3.2%	5.4%
248				15	North Down	UKU	1,447	496	1,943	6.9%	3.2%	5.3%
303				16	Strangford	UU	1,421	460	1,881	6.0%	2.7%	4.7%
320				17	South Antrim	UU	1,460	523	1,983	5.6%	2.8%	4.5%
364				18	Lagan Valley	UU	1,316	438	1,754	5.1%	2.4%	4.0%
					Northern Ireland		42,735	11,217	53,952	10.5%	4.1%	7.9%

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97-98	96-98	Party	Unemployed Claimants			Change Dec 96-98		Change Dec 97-98		
			Dec-96	Dec-97	Dec-98	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
580	508	Aberavon	LAB	2,060	1,539	1,550	-510	-24.8%	11	0.7%
501	447	Aberdeen Central	LAB	1,958	1,455	1,423	-535	-27.3%	-32	-2.2%
101	58	Aberdeen North	LAB	1,457	896	771	-686	-47.1%	-125	-14.0%
588	272	Aberdeen South	LAB	1,495	971	984	-511	-34.2%	13	1.3%
558	600	Airdrie & Shotts	LAB	3,016	2,438	2,433	-583	-19.3%	-5	-0.2%
257	160	Aldershot	CON	1,391	928	842	-549	-39.5%	-86	-9.3%
150	339	Aldridge - Brownhills	CON	1,960	1,537	1,349	-611	-31.2%	-188	-12.2%
130	83	Altrincham & Sale West	CON	1,798	1,141	993	-805	-44.8%	-148	-13.0%
399	520	Alyn & Deeside	LAB	1,751	1,404	1,327	-424	-24.2%	-77	-5.5%
475	397	Amber Valley	LAB	2,233	1,636	1,588	-645	-28.9%	-48	-2.9%
200	512	Angus	SNP	2,366	2,004	1,788	-578	-24.4%	-216	-10.8%
548	610	Argyll & Bute	LD	2,514	2,052	2,038	-476	-18.9%	-14	-0.7%
267	24	Arundel & South Downs	CON	1,026	549	500	-526	-51.3%	-49	-8.9%
414	413	Ashfield	LAB	3,203	2,411	2,291	-912	-28.5%	-120	-5.0%
293	208	Ashford	CON	2,441	1,674	1,539	-902	-37.0%	-135	-8.1%
350	207	Ashton under Lyne	LAB	3,080	2,085	1,940	-1,140	-37.0%	-145	-7.0%
565	157	Aylesbury	CON	1,850	1,115	1,116	-734	-39.7%	1	0.1%
228	368	Ayr	LAB	2,761	2,152	1,932	-829	-30.0%	-220	-10.2%
57	46	Banbury	CON	1,540	946	793	-747	-48.5%	-153	-16.2%
535	292	Banff & Buchan	SNP	1,565	1,058	1,046	-519	-33.2%	-12	-1.1%
240	159	Barking *	LAB	3,091	2,076	1,869	-1,222	-39.5%	-207	-10.0%
467	558	Barnsley Central	LAB	3,092	2,475	2,396	-696	-22.5%	-79	-3.2%
149	412	Barnsley East & Mexborough	LAB	3,494	2,847	2,498	-996	-28.5%	-349	-12.3%
586	603	Barnsley West & Penistone	LAB	2,477	1,976	2,001	-476	-19.2%	25	1.3%
453	439	Barrow & Furness	LAB	3,331	2,508	2,414	-917	-27.5%	-94	-3.7%
196	165	Basildon	LAB	3,114	2,120	1,890	-1,224	-39.3%	-230	-10.8%
74	71	Basingstoke *	CON	1,635	1,043	884	-751	-45.9%	-159	-15.2%
382	357	Bassetlaw	LAB	3,157	2,332	2,194	-963	-30.5%	-138	-5.9%
252	20	Bath *>	LD	3,155	1,662	1,505	-1,650	-52.3%	-157	-9.4%
384	296	Batley & Spen	LAB	2,488	1,778	1,673	-815	-32.8%	-105	-5.9%
53	76	Battersea	LAB	4,639	3,035	2,526	-2,113	-45.5%	-509	-16.8%
229	63	Beaconsfield	CON	1,135	675	606	-529	-46.6%	-69	-10.2%
345	120	Beckenham	CON	3,361	2,112	1,962	-1,399	-41.6%	-150	-7.1%
533	310	Bedford	LAB	3,075	2,111	2,086	-989	-32.2%	-25	-1.2%
379	300	Belfast East	DU	3,559	2,554	2,402	-1,157	-32.5%	-152	-6.0%
411	566	Belfast North	UU	4,553	3,763	3,570	-983	-21.6%	-193	-5.1%
15	95	Belfast South	UU	4,696	3,367	2,672	-2,024	-43.1%	-695	-20.6%
462	633	Belfast West	SF	6,126	5,316	5,132	-994	-16.2%	-184	-3.5%
444	501	Berwick-upon-Tweed	LD	2,329	1,817	1,745	-584	-25.1%	-72	-4.0%
515	432	Bethnal Green & Bow	LAB	7,753	5,710	5,604	-2,149	-27.7%	-106	-1.9%
623	636	Beverley & Holderness	CON	2,381	1,924	2,008	-373	-15.7%	84	4.4%
315	148	Bexhill & Battle	CON	1,662	1,079	995	-667	-40.1%	-84	-7.8%
67	77	Bexleyheath & Crayford	LAB	2,217	1,431	1,208	-1,009	-45.5%	-223	-15.6%
88	42	Billericay	CON	2,566	1,537	1,314	-1,252	-48.8%	-223	-14.5%
176	364	Birkenhead	LAB	5,265	4,150	3,677	-1,588	-30.2%	-473	-11.4%
567	595	Birmingham, Edgbaston	LAB	3,812	3,049	3,053	-759	-19.9%	4	0.1%
227	298	Birmingham, Erdington	LAB	4,697	3,525	3,164	-1,533	-32.6%	-361	-10.2%
349	510	Birmingham, Hall Green	LAB	2,922	2,369	2,204	-718	-24.6%	-165	-7.0%
584	627	Birmingham, Hodge Hill	LAB	4,062	3,323	3,360	-702	-17.3%	37	1.1%
494	625	Birmingham, Ladywood	LAB	8,792	7,452	7,270	-1,522	-17.3%	-182	-2.4%
486	587	Birmingham, Northfield	LAB	2,814	2,301	2,242	-572	-20.3%	-59	-2.6%
544	440	Birmingham, Perry Barr	LAB	4,883	3,566	3,539	-1,344	-27.5%	-27	-0.8%
521	561	Birmingham, Selly Oak	LAB	3,766	2,974	2,927	-839	-22.3%	-47	-1.6%
538	635	Birmingham, Sparkbrook & Small Heath	LAB	7,549	6,408	6,342	-1,207	-16.0%	-66	-1.0%
603	559	Birmingham, Yardley	LAB	2,901	2,206	2,252	-649	-22.4%	46	2.1%
418	618	Bishop Auckland	LAB	2,740	2,360	2,246	-494	-18.0%	-114	-4.8%
575	256	Blaby	CON	1,147	746	749	-398	-34.7%	3	0.4%
643	594	Blackburn	LAB	3,262	2,406	2,611	-651	-20.0%	205	8.5%
148	312	Blackpool North & Fleetwood	LAB	3,095	2,394	2,100	-995	-32.1%	-294	-12.3%
457	436	Blackpool South	LAB	4,443	3,336	3,217	-1,226	-27.6%	-119	-3.6%

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				Dec-96	Dec-97	Dec-98	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
581	656	Blaenau Gwent	LAB	2,555	2,319	2,338	-217	-8.5%	19	0.8%
195	370	Blaydon	LAB	2,661	2,091	1,864	-797	-30.0%	-227	-10.9%
577	523	Blyth Valley	LAB	2,979	2,252	2,263	-716	-24.0%	11	0.5%
640	154	Bognor Regis & Littlehampton	CON	1,893	1,062	1,141	-752	-39.7%	79	7.4%
321	320	Bolsover	LAB	2,862	2,108	1,947	-915	-32.0%	-161	-7.6%
592	474	Bolton North East	LAB	2,662	1,935	1,964	-698	-26.2%	29	1.5%
646	582	Bolton South East	LAB	2,645	1,925	2,096	-549	-20.8%	171	8.9%
618	309	Bolton West	LAB	1,440	947	976	-464	-32.2%	29	3.1%
277	457	Bootle	LAB	4,890	3,906	3,571	-1,319	-27.0%	-335	-8.6%
193	164	Boston & Skegness	CON	2,890	1,971	1,754	-1,136	-39.3%	-217	-11.0%
644	641	Bosworth	CON	1,039	818	889	-150	-14.4%	71	8.7%
505	289	Bournemouth East	CON	2,729	1,858	1,819	-910	-33.3%	-39	-2.1%
320	215	Bournemouth West	CON	3,178	2,179	2,011	-1,167	-36.7%	-168	-7.7%
274	117	Bracknell	CON	1,348	858	784	-564	-41.8%	-74	-8.6%
408	509	Bradford North	LAB	4,329	3,446	3,263	-1,066	-24.6%	-183	-5.3%
522	547	Bradford South	LAB	3,302	2,584	2,544	-758	-23.0%	-40	-1.5%
552	576	Bradford West	LAB	5,038	3,995	3,978	-1,060	-21.0%	-17	-0.4%
288	211	Braintree	LAB	2,205	1,516	1,392	-813	-36.9%	-124	-8.2%
560	613	Brecon & Radnorshire	LD	1,406	1,144	1,142	-264	-18.8%	-2	-0.2%
73	203	Brent East	LAB	6,039	4,475	3,792	-2,247	-37.2%	-683	-15.3%
154	217	Brent North	LAB	2,780	2,005	1,763	-1,017	-36.6%	-242	-12.1%
93	275	Brent South	LAB	6,370	4,901	4,202	-2,168	-34.0%	-699	-14.3%
17	19	Brentford & Isleworth	LAB	3,986	2,389	1,901	-2,085	-52.3%	-488	-20.4%
13	13	Brentwood & Ongar	CON	1,474	869	687	-787	-53.4%	-182	-20.9%
463	648	Bridgend	LAB	1,946	1,763	1,702	-244	-12.5%	-61	-3.5%
122	244	Bridgwater	CON	2,966	2,203	1,911	-1,055	-35.6%	-292	-13.3%
474	530	Brigg & Goole	LAB	2,540	1,996	1,937	-603	-23.7%	-59	-3.0%
355	201	Brighton, Kemptown	LAB	4,414	2,972	2,768	-1,646	-37.3%	-204	-6.9%
386	234	Brighton, Pavilion	LAB	5,604	3,814	3,590	-2,014	-35.9%	-224	-5.9%
248	188	Bristol East	LAB	4,178	2,866	2,591	-1,587	-38.0%	-275	-9.6%
206	54	Bristol North West	LAB	2,993	1,767	1,580	-1,413	-47.2%	-187	-10.6%
309	198	Bristol South	LAB	4,139	2,816	2,594	-1,545	-37.3%	-222	-7.9%
78	103	Bristol West	LAB	4,252	2,874	2,443	-1,809	-42.5%	-431	-15.0%
83	126	Bromley & Chislehurst	CON	2,103	1,445	1,234	-869	-41.3%	-211	-14.6%
523	472	Bromsgrove	CON	1,814	1,357	1,336	-478	-26.4%	-21	-1.5%
271	29	Broxbourne	CON	2,096	1,136	1,036	-1,060	-50.6%	-100	-8.8%
557	193	Broxtowe	LAB	2,238	1,399	1,396	-842	-37.6%	-3	-0.2%
499	85	Buckingham	CON	900	511	499	-401	-44.6%	-12	-2.3%
659	657	Burnley	LAB	1,562	1,248	1,478	-84	-5.4%	230	18.4%
286	241	Burton	LAB	2,860	2,007	1,842	-1,018	-35.6%	-165	-8.2%
631	221	Bury North	LAB	1,693	1,017	1,077	-616	-36.4%	60	5.9%
380	176	Bury South	LAB	1,996	1,297	1,220	-776	-38.9%	-77	-5.9%
342	134	Bury St Edmunds	CON	1,693	1,078	1,001	-692	-40.9%	-77	-7.1%
344	497	Caernarfon	PC	2,862	2,304	2,140	-722	-25.2%	-164	-7.1%
348	367	Caerphilly	LAB	3,086	2,322	2,158	-928	-30.1%	-164	-7.1%
18	286	Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross	LD	2,639	2,199	1,756	-883	-33.5%	-443	-20.1%
485	488	Calder Valley	LAB	2,269	1,733	1,688	-581	-25.6%	-45	-2.6%
406	460	Camberwell & Peckham	LAB	6,446	4,984	4,713	-1,733	-26.9%	-271	-5.4%
423	387	Cambridge	LAB	2,487	1,847	1,760	-727	-29.2%	-87	-4.7%
339	394	Cannock Chase	LAB	2,537	1,943	1,803	-734	-28.9%	-140	-7.2%
296	325	Canterbury	CON	2,585	1,921	1,767	-818	-31.6%	-154	-8.0%
50	174	Cardiff Central	LAB	3,098	2,276	1,891	-1,207	-39.0%	-385	-16.9%
51	175	Cardiff North	LAB	1,394	1,024	851	-543	-39.0%	-173	-16.9%
187	356	Cardiff South & Penarth	LAB	3,590	2,807	2,491	-1,099	-30.6%	-316	-11.3%
97	240	Cardiff West	LAB	3,467	2,598	2,231	-1,236	-35.7%	-367	-14.1%
556	386	Carlisle	LAB	2,550	1,810	1,804	-746	-29.3%	-6	-0.3%
491	276	Carmarthen East & Dinefwr	LAB	1,855	1,255	1,224	-631	-34.0%	-31	-2.5%
168	471	Carmarthen West & South Pembrokeshire	LAB	2,958	2,466	2,177	-781	-26.4%	-289	-11.7%
600	563	Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley	LAB	3,629	2,776	2,831	-798	-22.0%	55	2.0%
55	59	Carshalton & Wallington	LD	2,402	1,525	1,276	-1,126	-46.9%	-249	-16.3%

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61	48	Castle Point	LAB	2,266	1,395	1,173	-1,093	-48.2%	-222	-15.9%
624	622	Central Fife	LAB	3,182	2,500	2,621	-561	-17.6%	121	4.8%
250	137	Central Suffolk & North Ipswich	CON	1,787	1,172	1,060	-727	-40.7%	-112	-9.6%
346	534	Ceredigion	PC	1,838	1,510	1,403	-435	-23.7%	-107	-7.1%
547	254	Charnwood	CON	1,306	858	852	-454	-34.8%	-6	-0.7%
224	222	Chatham & Aylesford	LAB	2,585	1,834	1,645	-940	-36.4%	-189	-10.3%
84	110	Cheadle	CON	1,191	805	688	-503	-42.2%	-117	-14.5%
37	104	Cheltenham	LD	2,654	1,847	1,525	-1,129	-42.5%	-322	-17.4%
421	45	Chesham & Amersham	CON	974	524	499	-475	-48.8%	-25	-4.8%
70	139	Chester, City of	LAB	2,387	1,676	1,418	-969	-40.6%	-258	-15.4%
532	580	Chesterfield	LAB	3,371	2,697	2,664	-707	-21.0%	-33	-1.2%
209	266	Chichester	CON	1,452	1,064	952	-500	-34.4%	-112	-10.5%
431	206	Chingford & Woodford Green	CON	2,257	1,487	1,420	-837	-37.1%	-67	-4.5%
197	384	Chipping Barnet	CON	2,087	1,654	1,475	-612	-29.3%	-179	-10.8%
254	108	Chorley	LAB	2,166	1,378	1,248	-918	-42.4%	-130	-9.4%
373	99	Christchurch	CON	1,363	830	779	-584	-42.8%	-51	-6.1%
452	601	Cities of London & Westminster	CON	3,752	3,148	3,029	-723	-19.3%	-119	-3.8%
283	517	Cleethorpes	LAB	3,403	2,806	2,575	-828	-24.3%	-231	-8.2%
294	335	Clwyd South *>	LAB	1,761	1,317	1,211	-550	-31.2%	-106	-8.0%
371	262	Clwyd West <*	LAB	1,997	1,394	1,307	-690	-34.6%	-87	-6.2%
234	438	Clydebank & Milngavie	LAB	2,660	2,145	1,927	-733	-27.6%	-218	-10.2%
555	565	Clydesdale	LAB	2,536	1,992	1,985	-551	-21.7%	-7	-0.4%
324	604	Coatbridge & Chryston	LAB	2,289	2,002	1,850	-439	-19.2%	-152	-7.6%
578	216	Colchester	LD	2,551	1,604	1,615	-936	-36.7%	11	0.7%
537	552	Colne Valley	LAB	2,273	1,777	1,758	-515	-22.7%	-19	-1.1%
649	505	Congleton	CON	1,355	932	1,018	-337	-24.9%	86	9.2%
374	448	Conwy	LAB	2,830	2,192	2,058	-772	-27.3%	-134	-6.1%
62	427	Copeland	LAB	2,992	2,566	2,158	-834	-27.9%	-408	-15.9%
96	239	Corby	LAB	1,932	1,449	1,243	-689	-35.7%	-206	-14.2%
113	27	Cotswold	CON	1,056	601	520	-536	-50.8%	-81	-13.5%
327	415	Coventry North East	LAB	4,317	3,343	3,091	-1,226	-28.4%	-252	-7.5%
419	396	Coventry North West	LAB	3,071	2,293	2,183	-888	-28.9%	-110	-4.8%
395	433	Coventry South	LAB	3,353	2,569	2,426	-927	-27.6%	-143	-5.6%
361	36	Crawley	LAB	2,038	1,105	1,031	-1,007	-49.4%	-74	-6.7%
632	493	Crewe & Nantwich	LAB	2,248	1,584	1,679	-569	-25.3%	95	6.0%
301	324	Crosby	LAB	2,430	1,804	1,660	-770	-31.7%	-144	-8.0%
239	246	Croydon Central	LAB	4,235	3,042	2,738	-1,497	-35.3%	-304	-10.0%
104	226	Croydon North	LAB	6,024	4,458	3,839	-2,185	-36.3%	-619	-13.9%
80	80	Croydon South	CON	2,042	1,315	1,119	-923	-45.2%	-196	-14.9%
542	620	Cumbernauld & Kilsyth	LAB	1,892	1,568	1,554	-338	-17.9%	-14	-0.9%
585	546	Cunninghame North	LAB	2,801	2,130	2,156	-645	-23.0%	26	1.2%
634	645	Cunninghame South	LAB	2,995	2,425	2,584	-411	-13.7%	159	6.6%
633	615	Cynon Valley	LAB	2,291	1,755	1,870	-421	-18.4%	115	6.6%
383	220	Dagenham	LAB	2,731	1,843	1,734	-997	-36.5%	-109	-5.9%
438	583	Darlington	LAB	3,580	2,963	2,838	-742	-20.7%	-125	-4.2%
9	91	Dartford	LAB	2,632	1,879	1,474	-1,158	-44.0%	-405	-21.6%
393	238	Daventry	CON	1,337	911	860	-477	-35.7%	-51	-5.6%
330	267	Delyn	LAB	1,667	1,180	1,093	-574	-34.4%	-87	-7.4%
352	243	Denton & Reddish	LAB	2,485	1,720	1,601	-884	-35.6%	-119	-6.9%
223	169	Derby North	LAB	3,336	2,262	2,028	-1,308	-39.2%	-234	-10.3%
182	271	Derby South	LAB	5,147	3,814	3,382	-1,765	-34.3%	-432	-11.3%
576	132	Devizes	CON	1,683	988	992	-691	-41.1%	4	0.4%
629	496	Dewsbury	LAB	2,309	1,635	1,726	-583	-25.2%	91	5.6%
396	401	Don Valley	LAB	3,154	2,376	2,244	-910	-28.9%	-132	-5.6%
269	452	Doncaster Central	LAB	4,636	3,704	3,374	-1,262	-27.2%	-330	-8.9%
364	406	Doncaster North	LAB	3,836	2,925	2,733	-1,103	-28.8%	-192	-6.6%
141	341	Dover	LAB	3,337	2,628	2,301	-1,036	-31.0%	-327	-12.4%
562	462	Dudley North	LAB	3,365	2,464	2,462	-903	-26.8%	-2	-0.1%
651	597	Dudley South	LAB	2,505	1,838	2,010	-495	-19.8%	172	9.4%
204	233	Dulwich & West Norwood	LAB	5,969	4,279	3,823	-2,146	-36.0%	-456	-10.7%

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353	585	Dumbarton	LAB	3,094	2,641	2,459	-635	-20.5%	-182	-6.9%
455	586	Dumfries	LAB	2,345	1,937	1,866	-479	-20.4%	-71	-3.7%
416	467	Dundee East	LAB	4,092	3,160	3,006	-1,086	-26.5%	-154	-4.9%
323	407	Dundee West	LAB	3,444	2,656	2,454	-990	-28.7%	-202	-7.6%
645	568	Dunfermline East	LAB	2,723	1,966	2,140	-583	-21.4%	174	8.9%
639	614	Dunfermline West	LAB	2,217	1,689	1,807	-410	-18.5%	118	7.0%
318	573	Durham, City of	LAB	2,381	2,033	1,876	-505	-21.2%	-157	-7.7%
139	98	Ealing North *	LAB	3,984	2,605	2,274	-1,710	-42.9%	-331	-12.7%
454	430	Ealing Southall	LAB	4,433	3,323	3,201	-1,232	-27.8%	-122	-3.7%
111	277	Ealing, Acton & Shepherd's Bush	LAB	6,094	4,653	4,022	-2,072	-34.0%	-631	-13.6%
596	644	Easington	LAB	2,433	2,061	2,098	-335	-13.8%	37	1.8%
493	453	East Antrim	UU	3,343	2,495	2,434	-909	-27.2%	-61	-2.4%
280	284	East Devon	CON	1,624	1,180	1,080	-544	-33.5%	-100	-8.5%
480	461	East Ham	LAB	5,892	4,434	4,309	-1,583	-26.9%	-125	-2.8%
133	69	East Hampshire	CON	1,737	1,075	937	-800	-46.1%	-138	-12.8%
430	338	East Kilbride	LAB	2,449	1,765	1,685	-764	-31.2%	-80	-4.5%
508	489	East Londonderry	UU	4,357	3,307	3,242	-1,115	-25.6%	-65	-2.0%
291	219	East Lothian	LAB	1,898	1,312	1,205	-693	-36.5%	-107	-8.2%
49	17	East Surrey	CON	1,290	732	607	-683	-52.9%	-125	-17.1%
146	38	East Worthing & Shoreham	CON	1,725	1,000	877	-848	-49.2%	-123	-12.3%
175	449	East Yorkshire	CON	2,636	2,164	1,917	-719	-27.3%	-247	-11.4%
460	329	Eastbourne	CON	2,361	1,675	1,617	-744	-31.5%	-58	-3.5%
483	153	Eastleigh	LD	1,436	888	864	-572	-39.8%	-24	-2.7%
470	418	Eastwood	LAB	1,753	1,297	1,257	-496	-28.3%	-40	-3.1%
48	224	Eccles	LAB	2,458	1,889	1,566	-892	-36.3%	-323	-17.1%
413	212	Eddisbury	CON	1,530	1,017	966	-564	-36.9%	-51	-5.0%
506	340	Edinburgh Central	LAB	2,865	2,017	1,975	-890	-31.1%	-42	-2.1%
226	353	Edinburgh East & Musselburgh	LAB	2,209	1,705	1,530	-679	-30.7%	-175	-10.3%
545	344	Edinburgh North & Leith	LAB	3,601	2,503	2,485	-1,116	-31.0%	-18	-0.7%
358	248	Edinburgh Pentlands	LAB	2,129	1,479	1,379	-750	-35.2%	-100	-6.8%
169	213	Edinburgh South	LAB	2,211	1,581	1,397	-814	-36.8%	-184	-11.6%
520	371	Edinburgh West	LD	1,780	1,271	1,249	-531	-29.8%	-22	-1.7%
368	279	Edmonton	LAB	4,507	3,199	2,992	-1,515	-33.6%	-207	-6.5%
241	278	Ellesmere Port & Neston	LAB	2,331	1,718	1,547	-784	-33.6%	-171	-10.0%
331	252	Elmet	LAB	1,961	1,375	1,274	-687	-35.0%	-101	-7.3%
317	400	Eltham	LAB	3,050	2,352	2,170	-880	-28.9%	-182	-7.7%
402	306	Enfield North	LAB	3,308	2,366	2,237	-1,071	-32.4%	-129	-5.5%
427	390	Enfield, Southgate	LAB	2,849	2,118	2,019	-830	-29.1%	-99	-4.7%
217	150	Epping Forest	CON	2,177	1,461	1,308	-869	-39.9%	-153	-10.5%
6	2	Epsom & Ewell	CON	1,384	742	568	-816	-59.0%	-174	-23.5%
561	301	Erewash	LAB	2,822	1,907	1,905	-917	-32.5%	-2	-0.1%
336	349	Erith & Thamesmead	LAB	5,101	3,801	3,525	-1,576	-30.9%	-276	-7.3%
75	23	Esher & Walton	CON	1,332	763	647	-685	-51.4%	-116	-15.2%
359	476	Exeter	LAB	3,091	2,446	2,281	-810	-26.2%	-165	-6.7%
566	581	Falkirk East	LAB	2,426	1,918	1,920	-506	-20.9%	2	0.1%
445	602	Falkirk West	LAB	2,560	2,153	2,068	-492	-19.2%	-85	-3.9%
439	578	Falmouth & Camborne	LAB	3,782	3,119	2,988	-794	-21.0%	-131	-4.2%
8	6	Fareham	CON	1,462	798	622	-840	-57.5%	-176	-22.1%
31	89	Faversham & Mid Kent	CON	2,065	1,408	1,153	-912	-44.2%	-255	-18.1%
10	16	Feltham & Heston	LAB	3,581	2,142	1,684	-1,897	-53.0%	-458	-21.4%
300	513	Fermanagh & South Tyrone	UU	4,204	3,453	3,177	-1,027	-24.4%	-276	-8.0%
127	180	Finchley & Golders Green	LAB	3,279	2,310	2,009	-1,270	-38.7%	-301	-13.0%
40	202	Folkestone & Hythe	CON	3,743	2,843	2,349	-1,394	-37.2%	-494	-17.4%
621	282	Forest of Dean	LAB	1,938	1,241	1,288	-650	-33.5%	47	3.8%
369	649	Foyle	SDLP	6,183	5,779	5,410	-773	-12.5%	-369	-6.4%
500	225	Fylde	CON	1,298	846	827	-471	-36.3%	-19	-2.2%
614	487	Gainsborough	CON	2,171	1,573	1,615	-556	-25.6%	42	2.7%
531	574	Galloway & Upper Nithsdale	SNP	2,316	1,851	1,826	-490	-21.2%	-25	-1.4%
319	410	Gateshead East & Washington West	LAB	2,801	2,166	1,999	-802	-28.6%	-167	-7.7%
335	194	Gedling	LAB	2,494	1,678	1,556	-938	-37.6%	-122	-7.3%

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192	142	Gillingham	LAB	2,680	1,794	1,596	-1,084	-40.4%	-198	-11.0%
484	637	Glasgow Anniesland	LAB	2,626	2,284	2,223	-403	-15.3%	-61	-2.7%
375	424	Glasgow Baillieston	LAB	3,570	2,734	2,568	-1,002	-28.1%	-166	-6.1%
487	619	Glasgow Cathcart	LAB	2,176	1,833	1,786	-390	-17.9%	-47	-2.6%
356	628	Glasgow Govan	LAB	3,299	2,937	2,736	-563	-17.1%	-201	-6.8%
273	362	Glasgow Kelvin	LAB	3,704	2,832	2,585	-1,119	-30.2%	-247	-8.7%
207	451	Glasgow Maryhill	LAB	4,547	3,698	3,308	-1,239	-27.2%	-390	-10.5%
540	617	Glasgow Pollok	LAB	3,278	2,708	2,681	-597	-18.2%	-27	-1.0%
428	519	Glasgow Rutherglen	LAB	2,306	1,831	1,746	-560	-24.3%	-85	-4.6%
570	642	Glasgow Shettleston	LAB	3,244	2,772	2,777	-467	-14.4%	5	0.2%
311	518	Glasgow Springburn	LAB	3,949	3,245	2,990	-959	-24.3%	-255	-7.9%
496	345	Gloucester	LAB	3,382	2,391	2,334	-1,048	-31.0%	-57	-2.4%
135	33	Gordon	LD	1,457	837	730	-727	-49.9%	-107	-12.8%
385	477	Gosport	CON	1,942	1,524	1,434	-508	-26.2%	-90	-5.9%
524	326	Gower	LAB	1,933	1,343	1,323	-610	-31.6%	-20	-1.5%
357	337	Grantham & Stamford	CON	1,803	1,331	1,240	-563	-31.2%	-91	-6.8%
275	270	Gravesham	LAB	3,309	2,378	2,173	-1,136	-34.3%	-205	-8.6%
389	605	Great Grimsby	LAB	4,735	4,066	3,830	-905	-19.1%	-236	-5.8%
541	638	Great Yarmouth	LAB	4,580	3,915	3,879	-701	-15.3%	-36	-0.9%
620	535	Greenock & Inverclyde	LAB	1,886	1,390	1,440	-446	-23.6%	50	3.6%
435	555	Greenwich & Woolwich	LAB	5,515	4,461	4,269	-1,246	-22.6%	-192	-4.3%
265	90	Guildford	CON	1,251	769	700	-551	-44.0%	-69	-9.0%
298	383	Hackney North & Stoke Newington	LAB	8,691	6,675	6,141	-2,550	-29.3%	-534	-8.0%
390	420	Hackney South & Shoreditch	LAB	8,763	6,674	6,289	-2,474	-28.2%	-385	-5.8%
650	537	Halesowen & Rowley Regis	LAB	2,482	1,737	1,898	-584	-23.5%	161	9.3%
519	572	Halifax	LAB	3,472	2,784	2,735	-737	-21.2%	-49	-1.8%
473	541	Haltemprice & Howden	CON	1,458	1,150	1,116	-342	-23.5%	-34	-3.0%
279	502	Halton	LAB	3,336	2,734	2,501	-835	-25.0%	-233	-8.5%
554	589	Hamilton North & Bellshill	LAB	2,825	2,260	2,251	-574	-20.3%	-9	-0.4%
546	545	Hamilton South	LAB	2,153	1,669	1,657	-496	-23.0%	-12	-0.7%
219	173	Hammersmith & Fulham	LAB	6,028	4,104	3,675	-2,353	-39.0%	-429	-10.5%
163	395	Hampstead & Highgate	LAB	4,732	3,816	3,363	-1,369	-28.9%	-453	-11.9%
589	564	Harborough	CON	1,134	875	887	-247	-21.8%	12	1.4%
299	185	Harlow	LAB	2,502	1,676	1,542	-960	-38.4%	-134	-8.0%
256	82	Harrogate & Knaresborough	LD	1,691	1,025	930	-761	-45.0%	-95	-9.3%
253	210	Harrow East	LAB	3,072	2,141	1,939	-1,133	-36.9%	-202	-9.4%
215	204	Harrow West	LAB	2,199	1,543	1,381	-818	-37.2%	-162	-10.5%
387	654	Hartlepool	LAB	4,533	4,303	4,052	-481	-10.6%	-251	-5.8%
99	258	Harwich	LAB	3,217	2,446	2,103	-1,114	-34.6%	-343	-14.0%
284	399	Hastings & Rye	LAB	4,091	3,171	2,910	-1,181	-28.9%	-261	-8.2%
400	402	Havant	CON	2,472	1,861	1,759	-713	-28.8%	-102	-5.5%
19	79	Hayes & Harlington	LAB	2,469	1,686	1,351	-1,118	-45.3%	-335	-19.9%
308	347	Hazel Grove	LD	1,335	1,001	922	-413	-30.9%	-79	-7.9%
59	40	Hemel Hempstead	LAB	1,779	1,084	909	-870	-48.9%	-175	-16.1%
528	359	Hemsworth	LAB	2,849	2,012	1,983	-866	-30.4%	-29	-1.4%
328	361	Hendon	LAB	3,600	2,715	2,511	-1,089	-30.3%	-204	-7.5%
95	22	Henley	CON	994	562	482	-512	-51.5%	-80	-14.2%
77	88	Hereford *>	LD	2,508	1,647	1,399	-1,109	-44.2%	-248	-15.1%
185	72	Hertford & Stortford	CON	1,339	816	724	-615	-45.9%	-92	-11.3%
5	25	Hertsmere	CON	1,574	1,011	772	-802	-51.0%	-239	-23.6%
466	391	Hexham	CON	1,494	1,095	1,059	-435	-29.1%	-36	-3.3%
201	299	Heywood & Middleton	LAB	3,121	2,357	2,103	-1,018	-32.6%	-254	-10.8%
263	218	High Peak	LAB	1,955	1,365	1,241	-714	-36.5%	-124	-9.1%
302	140	Hitchin & Harpenden	CON	1,319	852	784	-535	-40.6%	-68	-8.0%
472	598	Holborn & St Pancras	LAB	5,882	4,865	4,721	-1,161	-19.7%	-144	-3.0%
536	147	Hornchurch	LAB	1,851	1,120	1,108	-743	-40.1%	-12	-1.1%
171	237	Hornsey & Wood Green	LAB	6,548	4,752	4,202	-2,346	-35.8%	-550	-11.6%
422	84	Horsham	CON	1,049	609	580	-469	-44.7%	-29	-4.8%
549	553	Houghton & Washington East	LAB	3,140	2,444	2,429	-711	-22.6%	-15	-0.6%
498	181	Hove	LAB	4,104	2,576	2,515	-1,589	-38.7%	-61	-2.4%

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403	556	Huddersfield	LAB	3,744	3,066	2,899	-845	-22.6%	-167	-5.4%
610	285	Huntingdon	CON	1,829	1,190	1,217	-612	-33.5%	27	2.3%
490	529	Hyndburn	LAB	1,750	1,367	1,333	-417	-23.8%	-34	-2.5%
102	177	Ilford North	LAB	2,500	1,778	1,530	-970	-38.8%	-248	-13.9%
107	287	Ilford South *	LAB	4,492	3,464	2,991	-1,501	-33.4%	-473	-13.7%
63	249	Inverness East, Nairn & Lochaber	LAB	3,165	2,435	2,052	-1,113	-35.2%	-383	-15.7%
514	458	Ipswich	LAB	3,178	2,365	2,321	-857	-27.0%	-44	-1.9%
337	524	Isle of Wight	LD	5,518	4,520	4,193	-1,325	-24.0%	-327	-7.2%
433	515	Islington North	LAB	7,328	5,795	5,541	-1,787	-24.4%	-254	-4.4%
178	360	Islington South & Finsbury	LAB	5,854	4,598	4,075	-1,779	-30.4%	-523	-11.4%
655	596	Islwyn	LAB	1,594	1,125	1,279	-315	-19.8%	154	13.7%
613	643	Jarrow	LAB	3,386	2,829	2,904	-482	-14.2%	75	2.7%
595	647	Keighley	LAB	2,095	1,791	1,821	-274	-13.1%	30	1.7%
103	166	Kensington & Chelsea	CON	3,529	2,488	2,142	-1,387	-39.3%	-346	-13.9%
208	138	Kettering	LAB	1,862	1,235	1,105	-757	-40.7%	-130	-10.5%
512	482	Kilmarnock & Loudoun	LAB	3,492	2,635	2,585	-907	-26.0%	-50	-1.9%
129	133	Kingston & Surbiton	LD	2,297	1,559	1,356	-941	-41.0%	-203	-13.0%
599	653	Kingston upon Hull East	LAB	4,233	3,685	3,755	-478	-11.3%	70	1.9%
513	640	Kingston upon Hull North	LAB	5,101	4,408	4,325	-776	-15.2%	-83	-1.9%
551	652	Kingston upon Hull West & Hessle	LAB	4,390	3,892	3,873	-517	-11.8%	-19	-0.5%
7	18	Kingswood	LAB	2,188	1,352	1,043	-1,145	-52.3%	-309	-22.9%
550	624	Kirkcaldy	LAB	3,222	2,678	2,664	-558	-17.3%	-14	-0.5%
173	319	Knowsley North & Sefton East	LAB	4,429	3,404	3,013	-1,416	-32.0%	-391	-11.5%
243	575	Knowsley South	LAB	4,813	4,213	3,795	-1,018	-21.2%	-418	-9.9%
378	494	Lagan Valley	UU	2,347	1,865	1,754	-593	-25.3%	-111	-6.0%
276	365	Lancaster & Wyre	LAB	2,065	1,579	1,443	-622	-30.1%	-136	-8.6%
325	577	Leeds Central	LAB	5,811	4,966	4,590	-1,221	-21.0%	-376	-7.6%
236	473	Leeds East	LAB	4,304	3,528	3,173	-1,131	-26.3%	-355	-10.1%
172	372	Leeds North East	LAB	2,895	2,298	2,033	-862	-29.8%	-265	-11.5%
125	290	Leeds North West	LAB	2,171	1,668	1,450	-721	-33.2%	-218	-13.1%
152	498	Leeds West	LAB	3,190	2,715	2,386	-804	-25.2%	-329	-12.1%
626	446	Leicester East	LAB	3,062	2,120	2,225	-837	-27.3%	105	5.0%
627	511	Leicester South	LAB	4,193	3,016	3,167	-1,026	-24.5%	151	5.0%
594	332	Leicester West	LAB	4,108	2,775	2,821	-1,287	-31.3%	46	1.7%
653	533	Leigh	LAB	2,473	1,698	1,887	-586	-23.7%	189	11.1%
85	127	Leominster <*	CON	1,665	1,143	977	-688	-41.3%	-166	-14.5%
329	167	Lewes	LD	1,678	1,101	1,019	-659	-39.3%	-82	-7.4%
177	245	Lewisham East	LAB	3,932	2,864	2,538	-1,394	-35.5%	-326	-11.4%
220	259	Lewisham West	LAB	5,041	3,680	3,296	-1,745	-34.6%	-384	-10.4%
392	429	Lewisham, Deptford	LAB	6,464	4,944	4,663	-1,801	-27.9%	-281	-5.7%
190	112	Leyton & Wanstead	LAB	5,046	3,288	2,922	-2,124	-42.1%	-366	-11.1%
251	483	Lichfield	CON	1,335	1,094	990	-345	-25.8%	-104	-9.5%
72	158	Lincoln	LAB	4,247	3,030	2,566	-1,681	-39.6%	-464	-15.3%
563	411	Linlithgow	LAB	1,946	1,392	1,391	-555	-28.5%	-1	-0.1%
260	369	Liverpool, Garston	LAB	4,085	3,150	2,860	-1,225	-30.0%	-290	-9.2%
145	445	Liverpool, Riverside	LAB	7,457	6,178	5,417	-2,040	-27.4%	-761	-12.3%
362	557	Liverpool, Walton	LAB	5,676	4,709	4,397	-1,279	-22.5%	-312	-6.6%
216	470	Liverpool, Wavertree	LAB	5,357	4,402	3,941	-1,416	-26.4%	-461	-10.5%
143	414	Liverpool, West Derby	LAB	5,732	4,681	4,102	-1,630	-28.4%	-579	-12.4%
641	542	Livingston	LAB	2,135	1,520	1,635	-500	-23.4%	115	7.6%
259	281	Llanelli	LAB	2,639	1,931	1,753	-886	-33.6%	-178	-9.2%
628	569	Loughborough	LAB	1,901	1,421	1,494	-407	-21.4%	73	5.1%
434	331	Louth & Horncastle	CON	2,623	1,879	1,798	-825	-31.5%	-81	-4.3%
464	398	Ludlow	CON	1,340	987	953	-387	-28.9%	-34	-3.4%
159	280	Luton North	LAB	2,662	2,008	1,768	-894	-33.6%	-240	-12.0%
188	311	Luton South	LAB	3,554	2,716	2,411	-1,143	-32.2%	-305	-11.2%
38	171	Macclesfield	CON	1,394	1,027	848	-546	-39.2%	-179	-17.4%
264	92	Maidenhead	CON	1,298	805	732	-566	-43.6%	-73	-9.1%
157	94	Maidstone & The Weald	CON	1,977	1,277	1,124	-853	-43.1%	-153	-12.0%
642	466	Makerfield	LAB	2,425	1,645	1,781	-644	-26.6%	136	8.3%

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270	107	Maldon & East Chelmsford	CON	1,936	1,223	1,115	-821	-42.4%	-108	-8.8%
233	441	Manchester, Blackley	LAB	4,051	3,270	2,937	-1,114	-27.5%	-333	-10.2%
249	475	Manchester, Central	LAB	6,750	5,508	4,981	-1,769	-26.2%	-527	-9.6%
136	388	Manchester, Gorton	LAB	5,234	4,248	3,705	-1,529	-29.2%	-543	-12.8%
34	182	Manchester, Withington	LAB	4,429	3,306	2,715	-1,714	-38.7%	-591	-17.9%
158	304	Mansfield	LAB	3,136	2,407	2,119	-1,017	-32.4%	-288	-12.0%
155	273	Medway	LAB	2,963	2,218	1,951	-1,012	-34.2%	-267	-12.0%
409	608	Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	PC	1,640	1,402	1,329	-311	-19.0%	-73	-5.2%
144	196	Meriden	CON	3,377	2,410	2,112	-1,265	-37.5%	-298	-12.4%
617	543	Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	LAB	2,840	2,114	2,177	-663	-23.3%	63	3.0%
332	141	Mid Bedfordshire	CON	1,172	752	697	-475	-40.5%	-55	-7.3%
165	47	Mid Dorset & North Poole	CON	1,611	944	832	-779	-48.4%	-112	-11.9%
268	327	Mid Norfolk	CON	1,880	1,413	1,287	-593	-31.5%	-126	-8.9%
2	1	Mid Sussex	CON	1,124	629	455	-669	-59.5%	-174	-27.7%
290	294	Mid Ulster	SF	3,897	2,842	2,610	-1,287	-33.0%	-232	-8.2%
598	250	Mid Worcestershire	CON	1,492	950	968	-524	-35.1%	18	1.9%
218	548	Middlesbrough	LAB	6,287	5,413	4,847	-1,440	-22.9%	-566	-10.5%
225	540	Middlesbrough South & East Cleveland	LAB	3,823	3,262	2,926	-897	-23.5%	-336	-10.3%
71	336	Midlothian	LAB	1,473	1,197	1,013	-460	-31.2%	-184	-15.4%
44	50	Milton Keynes South West	LAB	2,408	1,523	1,261	-1,147	-47.6%	-262	-17.2%
199	113	Mitcham & Morden	LAB	3,784	2,457	2,192	-1,592	-42.1%	-265	-10.8%
114	15	Mole Valley	CON	891	484	419	-472	-53.0%	-65	-13.4%
471	539	Monmouth	LAB	1,651	1,303	1,263	-388	-23.5%	-40	-3.1%
477	623	Montgomeryshire	LD	823	699	679	-144	-17.5%	-20	-2.9%
137	155	Moray	SNP	2,457	1,698	1,481	-976	-39.7%	-217	-12.8%
305	469	Morecambe & Lunesdale	LAB	3,190	2,547	2,345	-845	-26.5%	-202	-7.9%
297	480	Morley & Rothwell	LAB	2,128	1,709	1,572	-556	-26.1%	-137	-8.0%
636	629	Motherwell & Wishaw	LAB	2,555	1,988	2,121	-434	-17.0%	133	6.7%
637	626	Neath	LAB	2,192	1,697	1,813	-379	-17.3%	116	6.8%
166	152	New Forest East	CON	1,461	996	879	-582	-39.8%	-117	-11.7%
261	116	New Forest West	CON	1,444	924	839	-605	-41.9%	-85	-9.2%
211	268	Newark	LAB	2,475	1,815	1,624	-851	-34.4%	-191	-10.5%
458	12	Newbury	LD	1,229	591	570	-659	-53.6%	-21	-3.6%
105	316	Newcastle upon Tyne Central	LAB	4,044	3,186	2,749	-1,295	-32.0%	-437	-13.7%
388	634	Newcastle upon Tyne East & Wallsend	LAB	4,142	3,693	3,478	-664	-16.0%	-215	-5.8%
32	260	Newcastle upon Tyne North	LAB	3,082	2,463	2,017	-1,065	-34.6%	-446	-18.1%
647	352	Newcastle-under-Lyme	LAB	1,975	1,253	1,367	-608	-30.8%	114	9.1%
456	403	Newport East	LAB	2,455	1,813	1,747	-708	-28.8%	-66	-3.6%
347	378	Newport West	LAB	2,907	2,206	2,050	-857	-29.5%	-156	-7.1%
306	499	Newry & Armagh	SDLP	5,175	4,206	3,873	-1,302	-25.2%	-333	-7.9%
180	293	Normanton	LAB	2,081	1,569	1,391	-690	-33.2%	-178	-11.3%
604	562	North Antrim	DU	3,837	2,924	2,985	-852	-22.2%	61	2.1%
446	434	North Cornwall	LD	4,352	3,278	3,150	-1,202	-27.6%	-128	-3.9%
448	342	North Devon	LD	2,785	1,998	1,921	-864	-31.0%	-77	-3.9%
507	114	North Dorset	CON	1,118	661	648	-470	-42.0%	-13	-2.0%
436	464	North Down	UKU	2,648	2,029	1,943	-705	-26.6%	-86	-4.2%
441	579	North Durham	LAB	2,821	2,324	2,229	-592	-21.0%	-95	-4.1%
611	151	North East Bedfordshire	CON	1,364	800	820	-544	-39.9%	20	2.5%
295	197	North East Cambridgeshire	CON	2,653	1,806	1,661	-992	-37.4%	-145	-8.0%
489	393	North East Derbyshire	LAB	2,737	1,994	1,944	-793	-29.0%	-50	-2.5%
606	554	North East Fife	LD	1,673	1,268	1,295	-378	-22.6%	27	2.1%
64	30	North East Hampshire	CON	1,041	611	515	-526	-50.5%	-96	-15.7%
81	11	North East Hertfordshire	CON	1,517	819	699	-818	-53.9%	-120	-14.7%
35	53	North East Milton Keynes	LAB	1,907	1,222	1,005	-902	-47.3%	-217	-17.8%
231	109	North Essex	CON	1,449	930	835	-614	-42.4%	-95	-10.2%
117	291	North Norfolk	CON	2,276	1,756	1,521	-755	-33.2%	-235	-13.4%
572	443	North Shropshire	CON	1,750	1,266	1,270	-480	-27.4%	4	0.3%
365	375	North Southwark & Bermondsey	LD	6,782	5,108	4,774	-2,008	-29.6%	-334	-6.5%
424	149	North Swindon	LAB	1,523	959	914	-609	-40.0%	-45	-4.7%
164	350	North Tayside	SNP	1,998	1,567	1,381	-617	-30.9%	-186	-11.9%

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244	308	North Thanet	CON	3,890	2,922	2,635	-1,255	-32.3%	-287	-9.8%
502	621	North Tyneside	LAB	3,624	3,050	2,983	-641	-17.7%	-67	-2.2%
287	223	North Warwickshire	LAB	2,056	1,426	1,309	-747	-36.3%	-117	-8.2%
110	93	North West Cambridgeshire	CON	1,964	1,282	1,108	-856	-43.6%	-174	-13.6%
488	527	North West Durham	LAB	2,887	2,254	2,197	-690	-23.9%	-57	-2.5%
657	611	North West Hampshire *	CON	947	659	768	-179	-18.9%	109	16.5%
440	317	North West Leicestershire	LAB	1,684	1,195	1,145	-539	-32.0%	-50	-4.2%
316	303	North West Norfolk	LAB	2,705	1,981	1,827	-878	-32.5%	-154	-7.8%
425	37	North Wiltshire	CON	1,606	854	814	-792	-49.3%	-40	-4.7%
313	330	Northampton North	LAB	2,740	2,036	1,877	-863	-31.5%	-159	-7.8%
230	269	Northampton South	LAB	2,477	1,811	1,626	-851	-34.4%	-185	-10.2%
33	9	Northavon	LD	1,504	826	678	-826	-54.9%	-148	-17.9%
426	426	Norwich North	LAB	2,742	2,073	1,976	-766	-27.9%	-97	-4.7%
367	465	Norwich South	LAB	3,838	3,013	2,817	-1,021	-26.6%	-196	-6.5%
449	315	Nottingham East	LAB	6,314	4,462	4,291	-2,023	-32.0%	-171	-3.8%
412	408	Nottingham North	LAB	4,414	3,316	3,147	-1,267	-28.7%	-169	-5.1%
525	333	Nottingham South	LAB	4,368	3,047	3,002	-1,366	-31.3%	-45	-1.5%
376	346	Nuneaton	LAB	2,154	1,583	1,487	-667	-31.0%	-96	-6.1%
391	538	Ochil	LAB	2,535	2,057	1,939	-596	-23.5%	-118	-5.7%
601	658	Ogmore	LAB	1,782	1,664	1,697	-85	-4.8%	33	2.0%
14	32	Old Bexley & Sidcup	CON	2,057	1,296	1,028	-1,029	-50.0%	-268	-20.7%
607	305	Oldham East & Saddleworth	LAB	2,686	1,778	1,816	-870	-32.4%	38	2.1%
597	351	Oldham West & Royton	LAB	3,139	2,130	2,170	-969	-30.9%	40	1.9%
134	366	Orkney & Shetland	LD	887	711	620	-267	-30.1%	-91	-12.8%
278	57	Orpington	CON	2,250	1,301	1,190	-1,060	-47.1%	-111	-8.5%
91	123	Oxford East	LAB	2,916	1,993	1,706	-1,210	-41.5%	-287	-14.4%
151	97	Oxford West & Abingdon	LD	1,272	827	726	-546	-42.9%	-101	-12.2%
404	570	Paisley North	LAB	2,562	2,130	2,014	-548	-21.4%	-116	-5.4%
420	526	Paisley South	LAB	2,988	2,387	2,273	-715	-23.9%	-114	-4.8%
654	646	Pendle	LAB	1,691	1,312	1,462	-229	-13.5%	150	11.4%
479	255	Penrith & The Border	CON	1,422	955	928	-494	-34.7%	-27	-2.8%
210	373	Perth	SNP	2,128	1,672	1,496	-632	-29.7%	-176	-10.5%
189	111	Peterborough	LAB	3,543	2,305	2,048	-1,495	-42.2%	-257	-11.1%
28	178	Plymouth, Devonport	LAB	4,143	3,105	2,537	-1,606	-38.8%	-568	-18.3%
23	191	Plymouth, Sutton	LAB	5,814	4,476	3,618	-2,196	-37.8%	-858	-19.2%
612	528	Pontefract & Castleford	LAB	2,885	2,141	2,197	-688	-23.8%	56	2.6%
142	454	Pontypridd	LAB	2,197	1,827	1,600	-597	-27.2%	-227	-12.4%
58	66	Poole	CON	2,100	1,344	1,127	-973	-46.3%	-217	-16.1%
593	463	Poplar & Canning Town	LAB	7,110	5,135	5,212	-1,898	-26.7%	77	1.5%
123	43	Portsmouth North	LAB	2,821	1,665	1,445	-1,376	-48.8%	-220	-13.2%
126	145	Portsmouth South	LD	4,707	3,227	2,806	-1,901	-40.4%	-421	-13.0%
255	459	Preseli Pembrokeshire	LAB	2,954	2,380	2,158	-796	-26.9%	-222	-9.3%
377	358	Preston	LAB	3,790	2,804	2,635	-1,155	-30.5%	-169	-6.0%
625	536	Pudsey	LAB	1,460	1,063	1,115	-345	-23.6%	52	4.9%
106	100	Putney	LAB	3,075	2,041	1,762	-1,313	-42.7%	-279	-13.7%
86	52	Rayleigh	CON	1,789	1,102	942	-847	-47.3%	-160	-14.5%
132	35	Reading East	LAB	2,150	1,246	1,086	-1,064	-49.5%	-160	-12.8%
285	55	Reading West	LAB	1,943	1,118	1,026	-917	-47.2%	-92	-8.2%
417	571	Redcar	LAB	4,469	3,697	3,517	-952	-21.3%	-180	-4.9%
247	318	Redditch	LAB	2,326	1,752	1,582	-744	-32.0%	-170	-9.7%
394	479	Regent's Park & Kensington North	LAB	6,645	5,199	4,908	-1,737	-26.1%	-291	-5.6%
1	3	Reigate	CON	1,154	668	474	-680	-58.9%	-194	-29.0%
573	567	Rhondda	LAB	2,548	1,994	2,001	-547	-21.5%	7	0.4%
652	125	Ribble Valley	CON	1,101	587	646	-455	-41.3%	59	10.1%
90	274	Richmond	CON	1,604	1,236	1,058	-546	-34.0%	-178	-14.4%
162	161	Richmond Park	LD	2,234	1,537	1,354	-880	-39.4%	-183	-11.9%
503	612	Rochdale	LAB	3,291	2,731	2,673	-618	-18.8%	-58	-2.1%
191	405	Rochford & Southend East	CON	4,539	3,635	3,233	-1,306	-28.8%	-402	-11.1%
571	227	Romford	LAB	1,718	1,092	1,095	-623	-36.3%	3	0.3%
213	60	Romsey	CON	1,266	752	673	-593	-46.8%	-79	-10.5%

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52	229	Ross, Skye & Inverness West	LD	3,371	2,586	2,150	-1,221	-36.2%	-436	-16.9%
658	590	Rossendale & Darwen	LAB	1,602	1,089	1,278	-324	-20.2%	189	17.4%
203	322	Rother Valley	LAB	3,235	2,472	2,208	-1,027	-31.7%	-264	-10.7%
69	442	Rotherham	LAB	3,899	3,343	2,828	-1,071	-27.5%	-515	-15.4%
630	659	Roxburgh & Berwickshire	LD	1,136	1,090	1,153	17	1.5%	63	5.8%
21	136	Rugby & Kenilworth	LAB	1,947	1,433	1,154	-793	-40.7%	-279	-19.5%
26	96	Ruislip - Northwood	CON	1,437	1,005	820	-617	-42.9%	-185	-18.4%
30	4	Runnymede & Weybridge	CON	1,419	730	597	-822	-57.9%	-133	-18.2%
60	73	Rushcliffe	CON	2,188	1,410	1,184	-1,004	-45.9%	-226	-16.0%
232	162	Rutland & Melton	CON	1,090	736	661	-429	-39.4%	-75	-10.2%
94	200	Ryedale	CON	1,515	1,108	950	-565	-37.3%	-158	-14.3%
108	115	Saffron Walden	CON	1,376	924	798	-578	-42.0%	-126	-13.6%
322	261	Salford	LAB	3,383	2,397	2,214	-1,169	-34.6%	-183	-7.6%
82	101	Salisbury	CON	1,728	1,161	991	-737	-42.7%	-170	-14.6%
341	521	Scarborough & Whitby	LAB	3,565	2,911	2,703	-862	-24.2%	-208	-7.1%
530	616	Scunthorpe	LAB	2,834	2,349	2,316	-518	-18.3%	-33	-1.4%
568	651	Sedgefield	LAB	2,180	1,920	1,923	-257	-11.8%	3	0.2%
459	431	Selby	LAB	2,168	1,623	1,566	-602	-27.8%	-57	-3.5%
16	44	Sevenoaks	CON	1,589	1,023	814	-775	-48.8%	-209	-20.4%
289	484	Sheffield, Attercliffe	LAB	3,092	2,497	2,293	-799	-25.8%	-204	-8.2%
79	455	Sheffield, Brightside	LAB	4,409	3,779	3,214	-1,195	-27.1%	-565	-15.0%
140	381	Sheffield, Central	LAB	6,501	5,259	4,591	-1,910	-29.4%	-668	-12.7%
43	228	Sheffield, Hallam	LD	1,669	1,286	1,064	-605	-36.2%	-222	-17.3%
184	468	Sheffield, Heeley	LAB	3,885	3,217	2,854	-1,031	-26.5%	-363	-11.3%
116	263	Sheffield, Hillsborough	LAB	3,071	2,321	2,010	-1,061	-34.5%	-311	-13.4%
405	321	Sherwood	LAB	2,705	1,947	1,841	-864	-31.9%	-106	-5.4%
605	584	Shipley	LAB	1,956	1,521	1,553	-403	-20.6%	32	2.1%
432	313	Shrewsbury & Atcham	LAB	1,741	1,237	1,182	-559	-32.1%	-55	-4.4%
100	186	Sittingbourne & Sheppey	LAB	3,358	2,414	2,077	-1,281	-38.1%	-337	-14.0%
543	416	Skipton & Ripon	CON	1,262	911	904	-358	-28.4%	-7	-0.8%
56	144	Sleaford & North Hykeham	CON	1,618	1,151	964	-654	-40.4%	-187	-16.2%
160	119	Slough	LAB	3,311	2,194	1,932	-1,379	-41.6%	-262	-11.9%
579	314	Solihull	CON	1,696	1,144	1,152	-544	-32.1%	8	0.7%
186	49	Somerton & Frome *	LD	1,896	1,110	985	-911	-48.0%	-125	-11.3%
451	503	South Antrim	UU	2,644	2,061	1,983	-661	-25.0%	-78	-3.8%
310	205	South Cambridgeshire	CON	1,138	776	715	-423	-37.2%	-61	-7.9%
42	124	South Derbyshire	LAB	2,224	1,574	1,302	-922	-41.5%	-272	-17.3%
131	70	South Dorset	CON	2,880	1,785	1,554	-1,326	-46.0%	-231	-12.9%
360	478	South Down	SDLP	4,051	3,208	2,992	-1,059	-26.1%	-216	-6.7%
481	265	South East Cambridgeshire	CON	1,431	964	937	-494	-34.5%	-27	-2.8%
212	199	South East Cornwall	LD	2,958	2,072	1,854	-1,104	-37.3%	-218	-10.5%
478	242	South Holland & The Deepings	CON	1,324	878	853	-471	-35.6%	-25	-2.8%
340	179	South Norfolk	CON	2,029	1,339	1,243	-786	-38.7%	-96	-7.2%
363	170	South Ribble	LAB	1,579	1,028	960	-619	-39.2%	-68	-6.6%
608	650	South Shields	LAB	4,503	3,868	3,953	-550	-12.2%	85	2.2%
170	236	South Staffordshire	CON	1,909	1,386	1,225	-684	-35.8%	-161	-11.6%
179	297	South Suffolk	CON	1,564	1,187	1,052	-512	-32.7%	-135	-11.4%
511	192	South Swindon	LAB	2,320	1,474	1,446	-874	-37.7%	-28	-1.9%
401	481	South Thanet	LAB	3,152	2,466	2,331	-821	-26.0%	-135	-5.5%
156	128	South West Bedfordshire	CON	1,685	1,124	989	-696	-41.3%	-135	-12.0%
20	78	South West Devon	CON	1,874	1,273	1,023	-851	-45.4%	-250	-19.6%
128	65	South West Hertfordshire	CON	1,394	860	748	-646	-46.3%	-112	-13.0%
246	230	South West Norfolk	CON	2,333	1,648	1,488	-845	-36.2%	-160	-9.7%
25	34	South West Surrey	CON	1,057	651	531	-526	-49.8%	-120	-18.4%
443	323	Southampton, Itchen	LAB	3,729	2,654	2,547	-1,182	-31.7%	-107	-4.0%
262	302	Southampton, Test	LAB	3,700	2,749	2,498	-1,202	-32.5%	-251	-9.1%
46	146	Southend West	CON	2,970	2,143	1,776	-1,194	-40.2%	-367	-17.1%
351	422	Southport	LD	2,783	2,148	1,999	-784	-28.2%	-149	-6.9%
312	10	Spelthorne	CON	1,642	805	742	-900	-54.8%	-63	-7.8%
22	61	St Albans	LAB	1,204	795	641	-563	-46.8%	-154	-19.4%

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518	417	St Helens North	LAB	2,897	2,115	2,076	-821	-28.3%	-39	-1.8%
338	491	St Helens South	LAB	3,347	2,690	2,496	-851	-25.4%	-194	-7.2%
272	560	St Ives	LD	4,114	3,502	3,196	-918	-22.3%	-306	-8.7%
539	423	Stafford	LAB	1,770	1,286	1,273	-497	-28.1%	-13	-1.0%
553	544	Staffordshire Moorlands	LAB	1,541	1,190	1,185	-356	-23.1%	-5	-0.4%
492	328	Stalybridge & Hyde	LAB	2,622	1,840	1,795	-827	-31.5%	-45	-2.4%
12	39	Stevenage	LAB	2,399	1,553	1,224	-1,175	-49.0%	-329	-21.2%
482	549	Stirling	LAB	2,019	1,601	1,557	-462	-22.9%	-44	-2.7%
89	253	Stockport	LAB	2,515	1,916	1,640	-875	-34.8%	-276	-14.4%
174	639	Stockton North	LAB	4,422	4,229	3,746	-676	-15.3%	-483	-11.4%
235	500	Stockton South	LAB	3,525	2,935	2,639	-886	-25.1%	-296	-10.1%
504	531	Stoke-on-Trent Central	LAB	2,903	2,262	2,214	-689	-23.7%	-48	-2.1%
559	599	Stoke-on-Trent North	LAB	1,870	1,508	1,505	-365	-19.5%	-3	-0.2%
587	592	Stoke-on-Trent South	LAB	2,289	1,807	1,830	-459	-20.1%	23	1.3%
583	428	Stone	CON	1,270	906	916	-354	-27.9%	10	1.1%
648	609	Stourbridge	LAB	2,143	1,592	1,737	-406	-18.9%	145	9.1%
120	288	Strangford	UU	2,823	2,169	1,881	-942	-33.4%	-288	-13.3%
194	232	Stratford-on-Avon	CON	1,498	1,076	958	-540	-36.0%	-118	-11.0%
198	492	Strathkelvin & Bearsden	LAB	1,981	1,657	1,478	-503	-25.4%	-179	-10.8%
237	247	Streatham	LAB	7,739	5,569	5,012	-2,727	-35.2%	-557	-10.0%
447	377	Stretford & Urmston	LAB	2,972	2,177	2,093	-879	-29.6%	-84	-3.9%
343	214	Stroud	LAB	1,872	1,274	1,183	-689	-36.8%	-91	-7.1%
45	172	Suffolk Coastal	CON	2,246	1,652	1,369	-877	-39.0%	-283	-17.1%
476	591	Sunderland North	LAB	3,644	2,999	2,912	-732	-20.1%	-87	-2.9%
221	425	Sunderland South	LAB	4,729	3,799	3,403	-1,326	-28.0%	-396	-10.4%
4	5	Surrey Heath	CON	1,073	601	454	-619	-57.7%	-147	-24.5%
153	81	Sutton & Cheam	LD	1,693	1,059	931	-762	-45.0%	-128	-12.1%
574	525	Sutton Coldfield	CON	1,656	1,254	1,259	-397	-24.0%	5	0.4%
602	486	Swansea East	LAB	2,697	1,964	2,003	-694	-25.7%	39	2.0%
516	283	Swansea West	LAB	2,951	1,999	1,962	-989	-33.5%	-37	-1.9%
468	550	Tamworth	LAB	1,933	1,541	1,492	-441	-22.8%	-49	-3.2%
167	122	Tatton	IND	1,224	810	715	-509	-41.6%	-95	-11.7%
66	121	Taunton *	LD	2,624	1,815	1,532	-1,092	-41.6%	-283	-15.6%
398	380	Teignbridge	CON	2,467	1,843	1,741	-726	-29.4%	-102	-5.5%
616	630	Telford	LAB	1,932	1,563	1,607	-325	-16.8%	44	2.8%
333	118	Tewkesbury	CON	1,527	959	889	-638	-41.8%	-70	-7.3%
307	264	Thurrock	LAB	3,404	2,419	2,228	-1,176	-34.5%	-191	-7.9%
569	435	Tiverton & Honiton	CON	1,720	1,243	1,245	-475	-27.6%	2	0.2%
109	106	Tonbridge & Malling	CON	1,591	1,060	916	-675	-42.4%	-144	-13.6%
27	135	Tooting	LAB	4,804	3,480	2,841	-1,963	-40.9%	-639	-18.4%
469	490	Torbay	LD	4,007	3,077	2,982	-1,025	-25.6%	-95	-3.1%
497	382	Torfaen	LAB	2,444	1,768	1,726	-718	-29.4%	-42	-2.4%
437	392	Torridge & West Devon	LD	2,709	2,007	1,922	-787	-29.1%	-85	-4.2%
410	404	Totnes	CON	2,480	1,861	1,765	-715	-28.8%	-96	-5.2%
429	607	Tottenham	LAB	9,199	7,815	7,454	-1,745	-19.0%	-361	-4.6%
242	295	Truro & St Austell	LD	3,523	2,626	2,365	-1,158	-32.9%	-261	-9.9%
47	68	Tunbridge Wells	CON	1,582	1,028	852	-730	-46.1%	-176	-17.1%
656	655	Tweeddale, Ettrick & Lauderdale	LD	1,136	885	1,020	-116	-10.2%	135	15.3%
138	56	Twickenham	LD	2,173	1,316	1,148	-1,025	-47.2%	-168	-12.8%
124	355	Tyne Bridge	LAB	5,683	4,538	3,941	-1,742	-30.7%	-597	-13.2%
591	632	Tynemouth	LAB	3,056	2,513	2,550	-506	-16.6%	37	1.5%
495	168	Upminster	LAB	1,741	1,084	1,058	-683	-39.2%	-26	-2.4%
450	506	Upper Bann	UU	3,039	2,374	2,284	-755	-24.8%	-90	-3.8%
39	67	Uxbridge	CON	1,829	1,190	983	-846	-46.3%	-207	-17.4%
638	343	Vale of Clwyd	LAB	2,519	1,626	1,738	-781	-31.0%	112	6.9%
29	209	Vale of Glamorgan	LAB	2,983	2,303	1,882	-1,101	-36.9%	-421	-18.3%
304	129	Vale of York	CON	1,261	805	741	-520	-41.2%	-64	-8.0%
121	363	Vauxhall	LAB	8,574	6,903	5,987	-2,587	-30.2%	-916	-13.3%
461	514	Wakefield	LAB	3,098	2,426	2,342	-756	-24.4%	-84	-3.5%
334	307	Wallasey	LAB	4,435	3,238	3,002	-1,433	-32.3%	-236	-7.3%

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161	504	Walsall North	LAB	3,789	3,230	2,845	-944	-24.9%	-385	-11.9%
202	485	Walsall South	LAB	3,868	3,216	2,871	-997	-25.8%	-345	-10.7%
509	376	Walthamstow	LAB	4,961	3,563	3,493	-1,468	-29.6%	-70	-2.0%
517	516	Wansbeck	LAB	3,371	2,598	2,550	-821	-24.4%	-48	-1.8%
266	14	Wansdyke <*	LAB	1,602	825	751	-851	-53.1%	-74	-9.0%
115	86	Wantage	CON	1,118	716	620	-498	-44.5%	-96	-13.4%
314	385	Warley	LAB	3,698	2,835	2,614	-1,084	-29.3%	-221	-7.8%
510	450	Warrington North	LAB	2,275	1,688	1,655	-620	-27.3%	-33	-2.0%
465	334	Warrington South	LAB	1,821	1,296	1,252	-569	-31.2%	-44	-3.4%
582	593	Warwick & Leamington	LAB	1,959	1,555	1,568	-391	-20.0%	13	0.8%
112	87	Watford	LAB	2,144	1,377	1,191	-953	-44.4%	-186	-13.5%
292	588	Waveney	LAB	4,055	3,516	3,231	-824	-20.3%	-285	-8.1%
564	105	Wealden	CON	1,270	730	730	-540	-42.5%	0	0.0%
147	379	Weaver Vale	LAB	2,760	2,220	1,947	-813	-29.5%	-273	-12.3%
370	354	Wellingborough	LAB	2,019	1,494	1,400	-619	-30.7%	-94	-6.3%
281	74	Wells	CON	2,412	1,429	1,308	-1,104	-45.8%	-121	-8.5%
282	41	Welwyn Hatfield	LAB	1,419	793	726	-693	-48.8%	-67	-8.4%
98	437	Wentworth	LAB	3,382	2,849	2,449	-933	-27.6%	-400	-14.0%
41	7	West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine	LD	1,441	772	638	-803	-55.7%	-134	-17.4%
527	419	West Bromwich East	LAB	3,658	2,662	2,623	-1,035	-28.3%	-39	-1.5%
590	522	West Bromwich West	SPKR	3,890	2,913	2,955	-935	-24.0%	42	1.4%
366	187	West Chelmsford	CON	2,078	1,378	1,288	-790	-38.0%	-90	-6.5%
415	251	West Derbyshire	CON	1,487	1,015	965	-522	-35.1%	-50	-4.9%
183	190	West Dorset	CON	1,528	1,071	950	-578	-37.8%	-121	-11.3%
529	389	West Ham	LAB	6,590	4,736	4,669	-1,921	-29.2%	-67	-1.4%
622	631	West Lancashire	LAB	2,992	2,389	2,491	-501	-16.7%	102	4.3%
615	551	West Renfrewshire	SL	1,441	1,083	1,113	-328	-22.8%	30	2.8%
118	131	West Suffolk	CON	1,958	1,331	1,153	-805	-41.1%	-178	-13.4%
397	606	West Tyrone	UU	4,458	3,820	3,608	-850	-19.1%	-212	-5.5%
245	189	West Worcestershire	CON	1,373	945	853	-520	-37.9%	-92	-9.7%
3	62	Westbury	CON	1,925	1,381	1,027	-898	-46.6%	-354	-25.6%
11	456	Western Isles	LAB	1,448	1,343	1,056	-392	-27.1%	-287	-21.4%
214	130	Westmorland & Lonsdale	CON	1,334	876	784	-550	-41.2%	-92	-10.5%
92	26	Weston-Super-Mare	LD	2,827	1,619	1,388	-1,439	-50.9%	-231	-14.3%
526	231	Wigan	LAB	2,945	1,909	1,881	-1,064	-36.1%	-28	-1.5%
24	51	Wimbledon	LAB	2,183	1,409	1,144	-1,039	-47.6%	-265	-18.8%
619	143	Winchester	LD	1,395	805	831	-564	-40.4%	26	3.2%
65	64	Windsor	CON	1,363	863	728	-635	-46.6%	-135	-15.6%
36	195	Wirral South	LAB	2,088	1,585	1,304	-784	-37.5%	-281	-17.7%
87	163	Wirral West	LAB	2,408	1,709	1,461	-947	-39.3%	-248	-14.5%
68	8	Witney	CON	1,124	596	504	-620	-55.2%	-92	-15.4%
222	21	Woking	CON	1,034	558	500	-534	-51.6%	-58	-10.4%
205	31	Wokingham	CON	795	443	396	-399	-50.2%	-47	-10.6%
326	374	Wolverhampton North East	LAB	3,401	2,590	2,394	-1,007	-29.6%	-196	-7.6%
381	444	Wolverhampton South East	LAB	3,351	2,585	2,432	-919	-27.4%	-153	-5.9%
354	409	Wolverhampton South West	LAB	3,220	2,468	2,298	-922	-28.6%	-170	-6.9%
372	28	Woodspring	CON	1,344	706	662	-682	-50.7%	-44	-6.2%
119	102	Worcester	LAB	2,312	1,530	1,326	-986	-42.6%	-204	-13.3%
76	507	Workington	LAB	3,130	2,772	2,354	-776	-24.8%	-418	-15.1%
635	495	Worsley	LAB	2,194	1,539	1,640	-554	-25.3%	101	6.6%
258	75	Worthing West	CON	1,586	951	863	-723	-45.6%	-88	-9.3%
609	532	Wrekin, The	LAB	1,341	1,001	1,023	-318	-23.7%	22	2.2%
407	348	Wrexham	LAB	1,850	1,351	1,278	-572	-30.9%	-73	-5.4%
534	235	Wycombe	CON	1,968	1,277	1,262	-706	-35.9%	-15	-1.2%
442	257	Wyre Forest	LAB	2,209	1,504	1,443	-766	-34.7%	-61	-4.1%
303	184	Wythenshawe & Sale East	LAB	4,102	2,745	2,526	-1,576	-38.4%	-219	-8.0%
181	156	Yeovil *	LD	1,868	1,270	1,126	-742	-39.7%	-144	-11.3%
238	421	Ynys-Mon	PC	3,073	2,451	2,206	-867	-28.2%	-245	-10.0%
54	183	York, City of	LAB	3,414	2,515	2,096	-1,318	-38.6%	-419	-16.7%
United Kingdom				1,868,206	1,391,380	1,293,559	-574,647	-30.8%	-97,821	-7.0%

**IV Change in Unemployed Claimants Dec 1996 - 1998,
United Kingdom Constituencies
B. (not seasonally adjusted) - highest and lowest**

Rank by %
change in UK
(largest fall first)

97-98	96-98	Constituency	Party	Unemployed Claimants			Change Dec 96-98		Change Dec 97-98	
				Dec-96	Dec-97	Dec-98	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
1	3	Reigate	CON	1,154	668	474	-680	-58.9%	-194	-29.0%
2	1	Mid Sussex	CON	1,124	629	455	-669	-59.5%	-174	-27.7%
3	62	Westbury	CON	1,925	1,381	1,027	-898	-46.6%	-354	-25.6%
4	5	Surrey Heath	CON	1,073	601	454	-619	-57.7%	-147	-24.5%
5	25	Hertsmere	CON	1,574	1,011	772	-802	-51.0%	-239	-23.6%
6	2	Epsom & Ewell	CON	1,384	742	568	-816	-59.0%	-174	-23.5%
7	18	Kingswood	LAB	2,188	1,352	1,043	-1,145	-52.3%	-309	-22.9%
8	6	Fareham	CON	1,462	798	622	-840	-57.5%	-176	-22.1%
9	91	Dartford	LAB	2,632	1,879	1,474	-1,158	-44.0%	-405	-21.6%
10	16	Feltham & Heston	LAB	3,581	2,142	1,684	-1,897	-53.0%	-458	-21.4%
11	456	Western Isles	LAB	1,448	1,343	1,056	-392	-27.1%	-287	-21.4%
12	39	Stevenage	LAB	2,399	1,553	1,224	-1,175	-49.0%	-329	-21.2%
13	13	Brentwood & Ongar	CON	1,474	869	687	-787	-53.4%	-182	-20.9%
14	32	Old Bexley & Sidcup	CON	2,057	1,296	1,028	-1,029	-50.0%	-268	-20.7%
15	95	Belfast South	UU	4,696	3,367	2,672	-2,024	-43.1%	-695	-20.6%
16	44	Sevenoaks	CON	1,589	1,023	814	-775	-48.8%	-209	-20.4%
17	19	Brentford & Isleworth	LAB	3,986	2,389	1,901	-2,085	-52.3%	-488	-20.4%
18	286	Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross	LD	2,639	2,199	1,756	-883	-33.5%	-443	-20.1%
19	79	Hayes & Harlington	LAB	2,469	1,686	1,351	-1,118	-45.3%	-335	-19.9%
20	78	South West Devon	CON	1,874	1,273	1,023	-851	-45.4%	-250	-19.6%
21	136	Rugby & Kenilworth	LAB	1,947	1,433	1,154	-793	-40.7%	-279	-19.5%
22	61	St Albans	LAB	1,204	795	641	-563	-46.8%	-154	-19.4%
23	191	Plymouth, Sutton	LAB	5,814	4,476	3,618	-2,196	-37.8%	-858	-19.2%
24	51	Wimbledon	LAB	2,183	1,409	1,144	-1,039	-47.6%	-265	-18.8%
25	34	South West Surrey	CON	1,057	651	531	-526	-49.8%	-120	-18.4%
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635	495	Worsley	LAB	2,194	1,539	1,640	-554	-25.3%	101	6.6%
636	629	Motherwell & Wishaw	LAB	2,555	1,988	2,121	-434	-17.0%	133	6.7%
637	626	Neath	LAB	2,192	1,697	1,813	-379	-17.3%	116	6.8%
638	343	Vale of Clwyd	LAB	2,519	1,626	1,738	-781	-31.0%	112	6.9%
639	614	Dunfermline West	LAB	2,217	1,689	1,807	-410	-18.5%	118	7.0%
640	154	Bognor Regis & Littlehampton	CON	1,893	1,062	1,141	-752	-39.7%	79	7.4%
641	542	Livingston	LAB	2,135	1,520	1,635	-500	-23.4%	115	7.6%
642	466	Makerfield	LAB	2,425	1,645	1,781	-644	-26.6%	136	8.3%
643	594	Blackburn	LAB	3,262	2,406	2,611	-651	-20.0%	205	8.5%
644	641	Bosworth	CON	1,039	818	889	-150	-14.4%	71	8.7%
645	568	Dunfermline East	LAB	2,723	1,966	2,140	-583	-21.4%	174	8.9%
646	582	Bolton South East	LAB	2,645	1,925	2,096	-549	-20.8%	171	8.9%
647	352	Newcastle-under-Lyme	LAB	1,975	1,253	1,367	-608	-30.8%	114	9.1%
648	609	Stourbridge	LAB	2,143	1,592	1,737	-406	-18.9%	145	9.1%
649	505	Congleton	CON	1,355	932	1,018	-337	-24.9%	86	9.2%
650	537	Halesowen & Rowley Regis	LAB	2,482	1,737	1,898	-584	-23.5%	161	9.3%
651	597	Dudley South	LAB	2,505	1,838	2,010	-495	-19.8%	172	9.4%
652	125	Ribble Valley	CON	1,101	587	646	-455	-41.3%	59	10.1%
653	533	Leigh	LAB	2,473	1,698	1,887	-586	-23.7%	189	11.1%
654	646	Pendle	LAB	1,691	1,312	1,462	-229	-13.5%	150	11.4%
655	596	Islwyn	LAB	1,594	1,125	1,279	-315	-19.8%	154	13.7%
656	655	Tweeddale, Ettrick & Lauderdale	LD	1,136	885	1,020	-116	-10.2%	135	15.3%
657	611	North West Hampshire *	CON	947	659	768	-179	-18.9%	109	16.5%
658	590	Rossendale & Darwen	LAB	1,602	1,089	1,278	-324	-20.2%	189	17.4%
659	657	Burnley	LAB	1,562	1,248	1,478	-84	-5.4%	230	18.4%
United Kingdom				1,868,206	1,391,380	1,293,559	-574,647	-30.8%	-97,821	-7.0%