

Statistical bulletin

Young people not in education, employment or training (NEET): May 2016

Estimates of young people (aged 16 to 24) who are not in education, employment or training, by age and sex.



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1. Main points

For January to March 2016:

There were 865,000 young people (aged 16 to 24) in the UK who were not in education, employment or training (NEET), an increase of 2,000 from October to December 2015 and down 69,000 from a year earlier.

The percentage of all young people in the UK who were NEET was 12.0%, up 0.1 percentage points from October to December 2015 and down 0.8 percentage points from a year earlier.

Under half (44%) of all young people in the UK who were NEET were looking for work and available for work and therefore classified as unemployed. The remainder were either not looking for work and/or not available for work and therefore classified as economically inactive.

2. In this bulletin

This statistical bulletin contains estimates for [young people not in education, employment or training \(NEET\)](#) in the UK. An article providing background information is available on our website. The bulletin is published 4 times a year in February, May, August and November. All estimates discussed in this statistical bulletin are for the UK and are seasonally adjusted. The figures discussed in this statistical bulletin are obtained from the Labour Force Survey (a survey of households) and are therefore estimates, not precise figures.

This statistical bulletin is accompanied by a [data table in Excel spreadsheet format](#).

There have been revisions to estimates of young people who were not in education, employment or training (NEET) derived from the Labour Force Survey back to 2012, resulting from taking on board the latest population estimates and a review of the seasonal adjustment process.

3. Definition of young people not in education, employment or training (NEET)

Young people

For this release, young people are defined as those aged 16 to 24. Estimates are also produced for the age groups 16 to 17 and 18 to 24 and broken down by sex.

Education and training

A person is considered to be in education or training if any of the following apply:

- they are enrolled on an education course and are still attending or waiting for term to (re)start
- they are doing an apprenticeship
- they are on a government supported employment or training programme
- they are working or studying towards a qualification
- they have had job-related training or education in the last 4 weeks

Employment

“In employment” includes all people in some form of paid work, including those working part-time. People not in employment are classed as either unemployed or economically inactive. Unemployed people are those who have been looking for work in the past 4 weeks and who are available to start work within the next 2 weeks. Economically inactive people are those who have not been looking for work and/or who are not available to start work. Examples of economically inactive people include those not looking for work because they are students and those who are looking after dependants at home. These definitions are based on those recommended by the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

NEET

Anybody who is not in any of the forms of education or training listed above and not in employment is considered to be NEET. Consequently, a person identified as NEET will always be either unemployed or economically inactive.

Relationship to other labour market statistics for young people

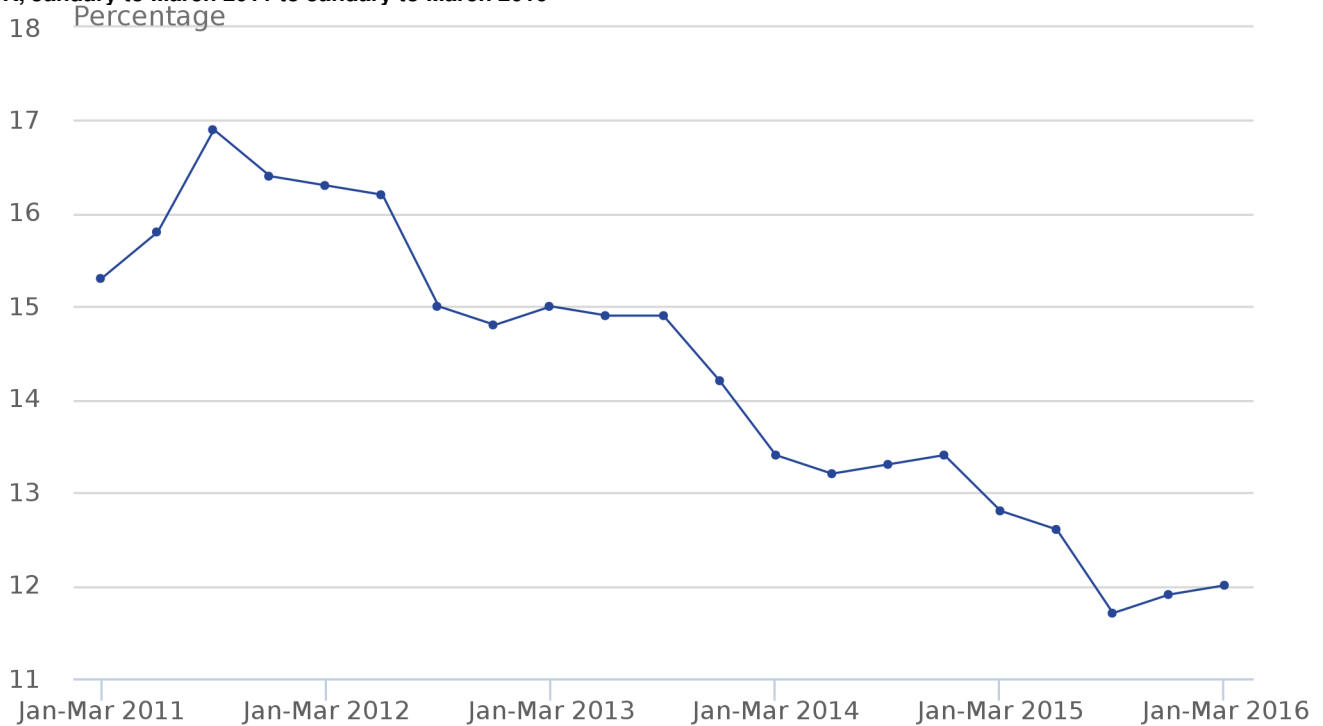
Our monthly labour market statistical bulletin includes the [reference table A06: “Educational status, economic activity and inactivity of young people”](#). The NEET statistics and the Table A06 statistics are both derived from the Labour Force Survey and use the same labour market statuses; however, the educational statuses are derived differently. For Table A06 the educational status is based on participation in full-time education only. For NEET statistics the educational status is based on any form of education or training, as listed previously. Therefore, the Table A06 category “not in full-time education” includes some people who are in part-time education and/or some form of training and who, consequently, should not be regarded as NEET.

4. Total young people who were NEET

There were 865,000 young people (aged 16 to 24) in the UK who were not in education, employment or training (NEET), an increase of 2,000 from October to December 2015 and down 69,000 from a year earlier. For January to March 2016, 12.0% of all people aged 16 to 24 were NEET, up 0.1 percentage points from October to December 2015 and down 0.8 percentage points from a year earlier. Figure 1 shows the percentage of people aged 16 to 24 who were NEET over the last 5 years.

Figure 1: People aged 16 to 24 not in education, employment or training as a percentage of all people aged 16 to 24, seasonally adjusted

UK, January to March 2011 to January to March 2016



Source: Labour Force Survey, Office for National Statistics

For January to March 2016, there were 58,000 people aged 16 to 17 who were NEET, down 9,000 from October to December 2015 and up 7,000 from a year earlier. There were 808,000 people aged 18 to 24 who were NEET, down 6,000 from October to December 2015 and down 75,000 from a year earlier.

5. Unemployed young people who were NEET

Unemployment measures people without a job who have been actively seeking work within the last 4 weeks and are available to start work in the next 2 weeks. For January to March 2016, there were 381,000 unemployed young people (aged 16 to 24) who were not in education, employment or training (NEET), up 18,000 from October to December 2015 and down 46,000 from a year earlier. For January to March 2016:

- 223,000 unemployed men aged 16 to 24 who were NEET
- 158,000 unemployed women aged 16 to 24 who were NEET

6. Economically inactive young people who were NEET

Economic inactivity measures people not in employment who have not been seeking work within the last 4 weeks and/or are unable to start work within the next 2 weeks. For January to March 2016, there were 485,000 economically inactive young people (aged 16 to 24) who were not in education, employment or training (NEET), down 15,000 from October to December 2015 and down 22,000 from a year earlier. For January to March 2016:

- 182,000 economically inactive men aged 16 to 24 who were NEET
- 303,000 economically inactive women aged 16 to 24 who were NEET

7. Quality information

[Quality Information for the Labour Force Survey \(LFS\)](#) is available on our website. Further information about the LFS is available from:

- the [LFS User Guide](#)
- [LFS Performance and Quality Monitoring Reports](#)

Accuracy of the statistics: estimating and reporting uncertainty

The figures in this statistical bulletin come from the LFS, a survey of UK households. Surveys gather information from a sample rather than from the whole population. The sample is designed carefully to allow for this, and to be as accurate as possible given practical limitations like time and cost constraints, but results from sample surveys are always estimates, not precise figures. This means that they are subject to some uncertainty. This can have an impact on how changes in the estimates should be interpreted, especially for short-term comparisons.

We can calculate the level of uncertainty (also called “sampling variability”) around a survey estimate by exploring how that estimate would change if we were to draw many survey samples for the same time period instead of just one. This allows us to define a range around the estimate (known as a “confidence interval”) and to state how likely it is in practice that the real value that the survey is trying to measure lies within that range. Confidence intervals are typically set up so that we can be 95% sure that the true value lies within the range – in which case we refer to a “95% confidence interval”.

For example, the total number of people not in education, employment or training (NEET) aged 16 to 24 for January to March 2016 was estimated to be 865,000. This figure had a stated 95% confidence interval of +/- 51,000. This means that we can be 95% certain that the true total number of people NEET aged 16 to 24 for January to March 2016 was between 814,000 and 916,000. However, the best estimate from the survey was that the total number of people NEET aged 16 to 24 was 865,000. The percentage of people NEET aged 16 to 24 for the same period was estimated at 12.0%, with a stated 95% confidence interval of +/- 0.7%. This means that we can be 95% sure that the percentage of people NEET was between 11.3% and 12.7%. Again, the best estimate from the survey was that the percentage of people NEET aged 16 to 24 was 12.0%.

Working with uncertain estimates

In general, changes in the numbers (and especially the rates) reported in this statistical bulletin between 3-month periods are small, and are not usually greater than the level that is explainable by sampling variability. In practice, this means that small, short-term movements in reported rates (for example, within +/- 0.3 percentage points) should be treated as indicative, and considered alongside medium- and long-term patterns in the series and corresponding movements in administrative sources, where available, to give a fuller picture.

Seasonal adjustment and uncertainty

Like many economic indicators, the labour market is affected by factors that tend to occur at around the same time every year; for example, school leavers entering the labour market in July and whether Easter falls in March or April. To compare movements other than annual changes in labour market statistics, such as since the previous quarter or since the previous month, the data are seasonally adjusted to remove the effects of seasonal factors and the arrangement of the calendar. Estimates discussed in this statistical bulletin are presented seasonally adjusted. While seasonal adjustment is essential to allow for robust comparisons through time, it is not possible to estimate uncertainty measures for the seasonally adjusted series.

[Dataset table NEET 2](#) shows sampling variabilities for estimates of young people who are NEET derived from the LFS.

8. Background notes

Further statistics on young people in the labour market for the UK were published on 17 February 2016 within the main labour market statistics release and are available in reference table A06. Information on the availability of subnational estimates of young people who are NEET is available in an article published on our website.

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Levels	Aged 16-24					Aged 16-17					Aged 18-24				
	Young people who were NEET			Total people in relevant population group	People who were NEET as a percentage of people in relevant population group	Young people who were NEET			Total people in relevant population group	People who were NEET as a percentage of people in relevant population group	Young people who were NEET			Total people in relevant population group	People who were NEET as a percentage of people in relevant population group
	Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive			Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive			Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive		
1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Oct-Dec 2001	833	373	459	6,438	12.9	123	78	45	1,491	8.3	709	295	414	4,947	14.3
Jan-Mar 2002	859	374	485	6,473	13.3	124	74	50	1,496	8.3	735	300	435	4,977	14.8
Apr-Jun 2002	873	368	505	6,509	13.4	130	76	54	1,502	8.7	743	292	451	5,007	14.8
Jul-Sep 2002	873	361	512	6,544	13.3	128	76	52	1,504	8.5	745	285	460	5,040	14.8
Oct-Dec 2002	836	354	482	6,580	12.7	129	85	44	1,506	8.6	707	269	438	5,074	13.9
Jan-Mar 2003	893	384	510	6,615	13.5	136	85	51	1,507	9.0	757	299	458	5,109	14.8
Apr-Jun 2003	891	361	530	6,651	13.4	137	83	54	1,508	9.1	754	278	476	5,143	14.7
Jul-Sep 2003	877	355	522	6,687	13.1	130	76	54	1,512	8.6	747	279	468	5,175	14.4
Oct-Dec 2003	847	339	508	6,724	12.6	120	74	46	1,518	7.9	727	265	462	5,206	14.0
Jan-Mar 2004	836	338	497	6,760	12.4	117	73	44	1,524	7.7	718	265	453	5,237	13.7
Apr-Jun 2004	879	357	522	6,797	12.9	126	73	54	1,529	8.3	753	284	469	5,268	14.3
Jul-Sep 2004	918	381	537	6,829	13.4	131	85	46	1,533	8.5	787	296	491	5,296	14.9
Oct-Dec 2004	922	390	532	6,859	13.4	133	80	53	1,536	8.7	789	310	479	5,323	14.8
Jan-Mar 2005	925	379	546	6,889	13.4	134	79	56	1,539	8.7	791	300	490	5,350	14.8
Apr-Jun 2005	947	390	557	6,919	13.7	133	76	57	1,542	8.7	813	314	500	5,377	15.1
Jul-Sep 2005	935	399	536	6,944	13.5	134	76	58	1,543	8.7	801	323	477	5,402	14.8
Oct-Dec 2005	1,003	431	573	6,968	14.4	141	84	58	1,542	9.2	862	347	515	5,426	15.9
Jan-Mar 2006	984	404	581	6,992	14.1	132	72	60	1,542	8.5	852	331	521	5,450	15.6
Apr-Jun 2006	1,022	449	573	7,016	14.6	138	69	69	1,542	8.9	884	380	504	5,474	16.1
Jul-Sep 2006	1,006	446	560	7,046	14.3	138	69	61	1,547	8.9	868	369	499	5,499	15.8
Oct-Dec 2006	979	415	564	7,078	13.8	128	64	64	1,555	8.3	851	350	500	5,523	15.4
Jan-Mar 2007	1,000	443	558	7,111	14.1	126	71	55	1,563	8.1	874	372	503	5,547	15.8
Apr-Jun 2007	1,004	439	565	7,143	14.1	125	72	53	1,571	8.0	879	367	513	5,572	15.8
Jul-Sep 2007	983	413	570	7,167	13.7	124	69	55	1,576	7.9	859	344	514	5,591	15.4
Oct-Dec 2007	965	414	551	7,186	13.4	125	69	56	1,579	7.9	840	345	495	5,607	15.0
Jan-Mar 2008	965	415	551	7,205	13.4	111	57	54	1,582	7.0	854	358	496	5,623	15.2
Apr-Jun 2008	998	433	565	7,224	13.8	117	66	52	1,585	7.4	881	368	513	5,640	15.6
Jul-Sep 2008	1,034	470	563	7,234	14.3	117	65	52	1,582	7.4	917	405	512	5,653	16.2
Oct-Dec 2008	1,025	506	519	7,240	14.2	111	62	48	1,576	7.0	915	443	471	5,664	16.1
Jan-Mar 2009	1,097	561	535	7,245	15.1	114	64	50	1,570	7.3	982	497	485	5,676	17.3
Apr-Jun 2009	1,128	573	554	7,251	15.6	113	57	57	1,564	7.3	1,014	516	498	5,687	17.8
Jul-Sep 2009	1,122	565	557	7,263	15.4	92	46	46	1,559	5.9	1,030	519	511	5,704	18.1
Oct-Dec 2009	1,083	542	540	7,277	14.9	94	53	42	1,554	6.1	989	490	499	5,723	17.3
Jan-Mar 2010	1,128	567	561	7,292	15.5	93	52	40	1,550	6.0	1,035	515	521	5,742	18.0
Apr-Jun 2010	1,074	540	534	7,306	14.7	89	48	41	1,546	5.8	985	491	493	5,761	17.1
Jul-Sep 2010	1,120	565	554	7,322	15.3	89	47	42	1,542	5.8	1,030	518	512	5,779	17.8
Oct-Dec 2010	1,164	591	573	7,337	15.9	86	46	40	1,539	5.6	1,078	545	533	5,798	18.6
Jan-Mar 2011	1,125	578	546	7,352	15.3	89	53	36	1,535	5.8	1,035	525	510	5,817	17.8
Apr-Jun 2011	1,164	614	550	7,368	15.8	91	58	33	1,532	5.9	1,074	556	518	5,836	18.4
Jul-Sep 2011	1,247	682	565	7,370	16.9	102	64	38	1,527	6.7	1,145	618	527	5,843	19.6
Oct-Dec 2011	1,212	667	545	7,366	16.4	96	52	44	1,522	6.3	1,115	614	501	5,844	19.1
Jan-Mar 2012	1,197	647	550	7,362	16.3	95	50	45	1,516	6.3	1,101	596	505	5,846	18.8
Apr-Jun 2012	1,192	645	547	7,358	16.2	93	52	41	1,511	6.2	1,099	593	506	5,847	18.8
Jul-Sep 2012	1,104	571	532	7,350	15.0	74	37	36	1,510	4.9	1,030	534	496	5,840	17.6
Oct-Dec 2012	1,083	570	514	7,340	14.8	69	35	34	1,511	4.5	1,015	535	480	5,829	17.4
Jan-Mar 2013	1,099	585	514	7,330	15.0	77	40	37	1,512	5.1	1,022	545	477	5,817	17.6
Apr-Jun 2013	1,089	590	499	7,320	14.9	72	36	36	1,514	4.8	1,017	554	463	5,806	17.5
Jul-Sep 2013	1,092	603	489	7,312	14.9	63	34	28	1,512	4.4	1,030	569	461	5,800	17.8
Oct-Dec 2013	1,038	569	470	7,305	14.2	66	37	29	1,509	4.1	972	532	440	5,796	16.8
Jan-Mar 2014	976	505	472	7,299	13.4	54	26	27	1,507	3.6	923	478	444	5,792	15.9
Apr-Jun 2014	963	461	502	7,292	13.2	59	26	34	1,504	3.9	903	435	468	5,788	15.6
Jul-Sep 2014	967	457	509	7,289	13.3	56	26	30	1,499	3.7	911	432	480	5,790	15.7
Oct-Dec 2014	974	457	517	7,288	13.4	63	32	31	1,494	4.2	911	425	486	5,794	15.7
Jan-Mar 2015	934	427	507	7,286	12.8	51	23	28	1,488	3.4	883	404	479	5,798	15.2
Apr-Jun 2015	921	430	490	7,285	12.6	51	23	24	1,482	3.4	870	404	467	5,803	15.0
Jul-Sep 2015	854	377	477	7,271	11.7	51	25	26	1,476	3.4	803	352	451	5,795	13.9
Oct-Dec 2015	863	363	500	7,250	11.9	49	22	26	1,470	3.3	814	340	473	5,781	14.1
Jan-Mar 2016	865	381	485	7,229	12.0	58	26	32	1,463	3.9	808	355	453	5,766	14.0

Source: Labour Force Survey

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	Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive				Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive				Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive			
1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5				
Oct-Dec 2001	341	232	109	3,231	10.6	64	46	18	763	8.4	277	186	90	2,468	11.2			
Jan-Mar 2002	365	238	127	3,250	11.2	70	50	20	766	9.2	295	188	107	2,484	11.9			
Apr-Jun 2002	371	236	135	3,269	11.4	68	49	19	769	8.8	304	187	116	2,500	12.1			
Jul-Sep 2002	373	226	147	3,287	11.3	75	46	30	769	9.8	298	181	117	2,517	11.8			
Oct-Dec 2002	344	226	118	3,304	10.4	74	52	22	769	9.7	270	174	95	2,535	10.6			
Jan-Mar 2003	376	239	137	3,321	11.3	86	58	27	768	11.2	290	181	109	2,553	11.4			
Apr-Jun 2003	356	221	135	3,338	10.7	74	49	25	767	9.6	282	172	110	2,571	11.0			
Jul-Sep 2003	359	221	138	3,357	10.7	79	50	28	768	10.2	280	171	109	2,589	10.8			
Oct-Dec 2003	347	212	135	3,376	10.3	73	48	25	770	9.5	273	163	110	2,606	10.5			
Jan-Mar 2004	346	212	135	3,394	10.2	68	45	23	772	8.8	279	167	112	2,623	10.6			
Apr-Jun 2004	354	219	135	3,413	10.4	69	46	23	773	8.9	285	173	113	2,640	10.8			
Jul-Sep 2004	372	230	142	3,427	10.9	71	55	17	775	9.2	301	176	125	2,652	11.3			
Oct-Dec 2004	392	242	150	3,440	11.4	72	46	26	777	9.3	320	197	124	2,663	12.0			
Jan-Mar 2005	385	237	148	3,452	11.2	72	47	25	779	9.3	313	190	123	2,673	11.7			
Apr-Jun 2005	399	242	157	3,464	11.5	77	50	27	780	9.8	322	191	131	2,684	12.0			
Jul-Sep 2005	409	261	148	3,476	11.8	87	55	32	782	11.1	322	206	116	2,694	11.9			
Oct-Dec 2005	443	276	166	3,489	12.7	89	56	33	783	11.4	354	221	133	2,705	13.1			
Jan-Mar 2006	424	251	173	3,501	12.1	82	49	34	785	10.5	342	202	140	2,716	12.6			
Apr-Jun 2006	461	279	182	3,513	13.1	83	45	38	786	10.5	379	235	144	2,727	13.9			
Jul-Sep 2006	428	273	155	3,530	12.1	81	48	33	790	10.2	348	225	122	2,740	12.7			
Oct-Dec 2006	426	248	177	3,549	12.0	77	40	37	795	9.7	349	209	140	2,754	12.7			
Jan-Mar 2007	435	276	159	3,568	12.2	74	46	28	799	9.3	361	230	131	2,769	13.0			
Apr-Jun 2007	439	271	168	3,587	12.2	73	48	25	804	9.1	365	223	142	2,783	13.1			
Jul-Sep 2007	417	251	166	3,598	11.6	65	41	25	805	8.1	352	210	141	2,792	12.6			
Oct-Dec 2007	408	252	155	3,604	11.3	77	45	32	805	9.5	331	208	123	2,799	11.8			
Jan-Mar 2008	406	256	150	3,611	11.2	64	35	29	806	7.9	342	221	121	2,806	12.2			
Apr-Jun 2008	420	263	157	3,618	11.6	67	36	30	806	8.3	353	227	126	2,813	12.6			
Jul-Sep 2008	452	293	159	3,622	12.5	64	39	24	803	7.9	388	254	135	2,818	13.8			
Oct-Dec 2008	444	317	127	3,623	12.2	62	36	26	800	7.8	381	280	101	2,823	13.5			
Jan-Mar 2009	499	349	150	3,625	13.8	63	41	22	796	7.9	436	308	128	2,828	15.4			
Apr-Jun 2009	517	359	158	3,626	14.3	62	34	28	793	7.8	456	326	130	2,833	16.1			
Jul-Sep 2009	510	352	158	3,635	14.0	52	27	24	791	6.5	458	325	133	2,843	16.1			
Oct-Dec 2009	480	339	141	3,646	13.2	53	33	19	791	6.7	427	305	122	2,855	15.0			
Jan-Mar 2010	508	356	151	3,658	13.9	54	32	22	790	6.8	454	325	129	2,868	15.8			
Apr-Jun 2010	484	333	151	3,670	13.2	54	29	26	789	6.9	430	304	125	2,880	14.9			
Jul-Sep 2010	496	334	162	3,681	13.5	52	29	23	788	6.6	444	305	139	2,892	15.3			
Oct-Dec 2010	535	355	180	3,692	14.5	47	25	22	787	6.0	488	330	158	2,905	16.8			
Jan-Mar 2011	528	358	170	3,703	14.3	55	35	20	786	7.0	473	323	150	2,917	16.2			
Apr-Jun 2011	536	377	159	3,713	14.4	59	42	17	785	7.5	477	335	143	2,929	16.3			
Jul-Sep 2011	590	427	163	3,718	15.9	63	42	21	783	8.1	527	385	142	2,935	17.9			
Oct-Dec 2011	581	422	159	3,719	15.6	58	34	25	780	7.5	523	388	135	2,938	17.8			
Jan-Mar 2012	571	409	162	3,720	15.4	55	28	26	778	7.0	517	381	136	2,942	17.6			
Apr-Jun 2012	574	412	162	3,721	15.4	58	32	26	776	7.5	516	380	136	2,945	17.5			
Jul-Sep 2012	517	355	163	3,719	13.9	47	26	21	775	6.0	471	329	142	2,944	16.0			
Oct-Dec 2012	504	348	156	3,716	13.6	41	22	19	776	5.3	463	326	136	2,940	15.7			
Jan-Mar 2013	503	352	151	3,712	13.6	45	28	17	776	5.8	459	324	135	2,936	15.6			
Apr-Jun 2013	503	358	145	3,709	13.6	39	21	17	777	5.0	464	337	127	2,932	15.8			
Jul-Sep 2013	516	365	151	3,707	13.9	34	23	10	776	4.4	483	342	141	2,931	16.5			
Oct-Dec 2013	503	355	148	3,706	13.6	40	24	15	774	5.1	463	331	132	2,932	15.8			
Jan-Mar 2014	457	318	139	3,704	12.3	30	17	13	772	3.9	427	302	125	2,933	14.6			
Apr-Jun 2014	451	288	162	3,703	12.2	27	11	16	770	3.5	423	277	146	2,933	14.4			
Jul-Sep 2014	447	283	164	3,703	12.1	28	12	16	767	3.6	420	271	148	2,936	14.3			
Oct-Dec 2014	421	272	149	3,704	11.4	29	15	14	764	3.8	392	257	135	2,939	13.3			
Jan-Mar 2015	417	257	160	3,704	11.3	30	15	15	761	4.0	387	242	145	2,943	13.2			
Apr-Jun 2015	424	262	162	3,705	11.4	30	17	12	759	3.9	394	245	149	2,946	13.4			
Jul-Sep 2015	395	228	166	3,699	10.7	29	16	13	756	3.9	365	212	153	2,944	12.4			
Oct-Dec 2015	398	219	179	3,690	10.8	31	16	15	752	4.1	367	203	164	2,938	12.5			
Jan-Mar 2016	405	223	182	3,681	11.0	36	16	20	749	4.8	369	207	162	2,932	12.6			

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	Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive			Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive			Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive		
1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Oct-Dec 2001	492	141	351	3,207	15.3	59	32	27	727	8.1	433	109	324	2,479	17.4
Jan-Mar 2002	494	136	358	3,223	15.3	53	24	29	730	7.3	441	112	328	2,493	17.7
Apr-Jun 2002	501	132	370	3,240	15.5	62	27	35	733	8.5	439	105	334	2,507	17.5
Jul-Sep 2002	500	134	366	3,257	15.3	53	30	23	735	7.2	447	104	343	2,522	17.7
Oct-Dec 2002	492	128	364	3,276	15.0	55	33	22	737	7.5	437	95	342	2,539	17.2
Jan-Mar 2003	517	144	373	3,294	15.7	50	26	24	739	6.8	467	118	349	2,555	18.3
Apr-Jun 2003	535	140	395	3,312	16.2	63	34	29	741	8.5	472	106	366	2,572	18.3
Jul-Sep 2003	518	134	385	3,330	15.6	52	26	26	744	7.0	466	108	359	2,587	18.0
Oct-Dec 2003	500	127	373	3,348	14.9	47	26	21	748	6.2	454	101	352	2,600	17.4
Jan-Mar 2004	489	126	363	3,366	14.5	49	28	21	752	6.6	440	98	342	2,614	16.8
Apr-Jun 2004	525	138	387	3,384	15.5	58	27	31	756	7.6	467	111	356	2,628	17.8
Jul-Sep 2004	546	151	395	3,402	16.0	59	30	29	758	7.8	487	121	366	2,644	18.4
Oct-Dec 2004	530	148	382	3,419	15.5	61	34	27	759	8.0	469	114	355	2,660	17.6
Jan-Mar 2005	540	142	398	3,437	15.7	62	31	31	760	8.2	478	111	368	2,677	17.9
Apr-Jun 2005	548	148	400	3,455	15.9	57	26	31	762	7.5	491	122	369	2,693	18.2
Jul-Sep 2005	526	138	388	3,468	15.2	48	21	27	761	6.2	479	117	361	2,707	17.7
Oct-Dec 2005	561	155	406	3,480	16.1	53	28	24	759	6.9	508	126	382	2,721	18.7
Jan-Mar 2006	560	153	407	3,491	16.0	49	24	26	757	6.5	511	129	381	2,734	18.7
Apr-Jun 2006	560	169	391	3,503	16.0	55	24	31	756	7.3	505	145	360	2,747	18.4
Jul-Sep 2006	578	173	405	3,516	16.4	57	29	28	757	7.6	520	143	377	2,759	18.9
Oct-Dec 2006	553	166	387	3,529	15.7	52	25	27	761	6.8	502	142	360	2,769	18.1
Jan-Mar 2007	565	167	398	3,543	16.0	52	25	27	764	6.8	514	142	372	2,779	18.5
Apr-Jun 2007	566	168	398	3,557	15.9	51	24	27	767	6.7	514	144	370	2,789	18.4
Jul-Sep 2007	566	162	404	3,569	15.9	59	28	31	770	7.7	507	134	373	2,799	18.1
Oct-Dec 2007	557	161	396	3,582	15.6	49	24	24	773	6.3	509	137	371	2,808	18.1
Jan-Mar 2008	560	159	401	3,594	15.6	48	22	26	776	6.1	512	137	375	2,818	18.2
Apr-Jun 2008	578	170	408	3,606	16.0	51	29	21	779	6.5	528	141	387	2,827	18.7
Jul-Sep 2008	582	177	404	3,613	16.1	53	26	27	778	6.8	529	152	377	2,835	18.6
Oct-Dec 2008	582	189	393	3,617	16.1	48	26	22	776	6.2	533	163	370	2,841	18.8
Jan-Mar 2009	597	212	385	3,621	16.5	52	24	28	773	6.7	546	188	357	2,848	19.2
Apr-Jun 2009	610	214	396	3,625	16.8	52	23	28	771	6.7	559	191	368	2,854	19.6
Jul-Sep 2009	612	213	399	3,628	16.9	40	19	21	767	5.3	571	194	377	2,861	20.0
Oct-Dec 2009	603	204	399	3,631	16.6	41	19	22	764	5.4	561	184	377	2,867	19.6
Jan-Mar 2010	620	211	410	3,634	17.1	39	21	18	760	5.1	582	190	392	2,874	20.2
Apr-Jun 2010	590	207	383	3,637	16.2	35	19	15	756	4.6	555	187	368	2,880	19.3
Jul-Sep 2010	624	231	393	3,641	17.1	37	18	20	754	5.0	586	213	373	2,887	20.3
Oct-Dec 2010	629	235	393	3,645	17.2	39	20	18	752	5.1	590	215	375	2,894	20.4
Jan-Mar 2011	597	221	376	3,650	16.3	35	19	16	750	4.6	562	202	360	2,900	19.4
Apr-Jun 2011	629	237	391	3,654	17.2	32	16	16	747	4.3	597	221	375	2,907	20.5
Jul-Sep 2011	657	255	402	3,653	18.0	39	22	17	745	5.2	619	234	385	2,908	21.3
Oct-Dec 2011	631	245	386	3,647	17.3	38	19	19	742	5.1	592	226	366	2,906	20.4
Jan-Mar 2012	625	238	388	3,642	17.2	41	22	19	738	5.5	584	215	369	2,904	20.1
Apr-Jun 2012	618	233	385	3,637	17.0	35	20	15	735	4.7	583	213	370	2,902	20.1
Jul-Sep 2012	586	217	370	3,631	16.1	27	12	16	735	3.7	559	205	354	2,896	19.3
Oct-Dec 2012	580	221	358	3,624	16.0	27	13	15	735	3.7	552	209	343	2,889	19.1
Jan-Mar 2013	596	233	363	3,617	16.5	32	12	21	736	4.4	564	221	342	2,881	19.6
Apr-Jun 2013	586	232	354	3,611	16.2	33	14	19	737	4.5	553	217	335	2,874	19.2
Jul-Sep 2013	576	238	338	3,605	16.0	29	11	18	737	3.9	547	227	320	2,868	19.1
Oct-Dec 2013	535	213	322	3,600	14.9	27	13	14	736	3.6	508	201	308	2,864	17.8
Jan-Mar 2014	519	186	333	3,595	14.4	24	9	14	735	3.2	496	177	319	2,860	17.3
Apr-Jun 2014	512	173	339	3,589	14.3	32	15	18	734	4.4	480	158	321	2,855	16.8
Jul-Sep 2014	519	174	345	3,586	14.5	28	14	14	732	3.8	491	160	331	2,854	17.2
Oct-Dec 2014	553	185	368	3,584	15.4	34	17	17	729	4.7	519	168	351	2,855	18.2
Jan-Mar 2015	516	170	347	3,582	14.4	21	8	13	726	2.8	496	162	334	2,856	17.4
Apr-Jun 2015	497	168	329	3,580	13.9	21	9	11	724	2.9	476	159	317	2,856	16.7
Jul-Sep 2015	459	149	310	3,571	12.9	21	9	13	720	3.0	438	140	297	2,851	15.4
Oct-Dec 2015	465	144	321	3,560	13.1	18	7	11	717	2.5	447	137	310	2,843	15.7
Jan-Mar 2016	461	158	303	3,548	13.0	22	10	12	714	3.1	439	148	291	2,834	15.5

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1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Jul-Sep 2001	940	400	540	6,403	14.7	157	97	61	1,485	10.6	783	303	480	4,917	15.9
Oct-Dec 2001	803	353	450	6,438	12.5	115	73	42	1,491	7.7	689	280	408	4,947	13.9
Jan-Mar 2002	832	374	458	6,473	12.8	113	70	43	1,496	7.5	719	303	416	4,977	14.4
Apr-Jun 2002	818	337	481	6,509	12.6	110	67	43	1,502	7.3	708	270	438	5,007	14.1
Jul-Sep 2002	981	413	568	6,544	15.0	170	95	75	1,504	11.3	811	318	493	5,040	16.1
Oct-Dec 2002	804	336	468	6,580	12.2	120	81	40	1,506	8.0	684	255	429	5,074	13.5
Jan-Mar 2003	862	380	481	6,615	13.0	124	80	44	1,507	8.2	737	300	438	5,109	14.4
Apr-Jun 2003	835	329	506	6,651	12.6	117	73	43	1,508	7.7	719	256	463	5,143	14.0
Jul-Sep 2003	993	408	584	6,687	14.8	173	96	78	1,512	11.5	819	313	506	5,175	15.8
Oct-Dec 2003	814	322	492	6,724	12.1	110	70	40	1,518	7.3	704	252	452	5,206	13.5
Jan-Mar 2004	798	332	466	6,760	11.8	105	68	37	1,524	6.9	693	263	430	5,237	13.2
Apr-Jun 2004	825	326	499	6,797	12.1	107	63	44	1,529	7.0	718	263	456	5,268	13.6
Jul-Sep 2004	1,038	436	602	6,829	15.2	173	105	68	1,533	11.3	865	331	534	5,296	16.3
Oct-Dec 2004	888	375	514	6,859	12.9	122	77	45	1,536	8.0	766	297	468	5,323	14.4
Jan-Mar 2005	881	369	512	6,889	12.8	121	73	48	1,539	7.9	760	296	464	5,350	14.2
Apr-Jun 2005	896	360	536	6,919	13.0	114	67	48	1,542	7.4	782	293	488	5,377	14.5
Jul-Sep 2005	1,059	455	604	6,944	15.2	176	96	81	1,543	11.4	882	359	523	5,402	16.3
Oct-Dec 2005	970	416	554	6,968	13.9	131	81	49	1,542	8.5	839	334	505	5,426	15.5
Jan-Mar 2006	936	392	544	6,992	13.4	118	66	51	1,542	7.6	819	326	493	5,450	15.0
Apr-Jun 2006	974	419	555	7,016	13.9	120	61	60	1,542	7.8	854	359	495	5,474	15.6
Jul-Sep 2006	1,131	503	629	7,046	16.1	178	96	82	1,547	11.5	953	406	547	5,499	17.3
Oct-Dec 2006	945	401	544	7,078	13.4	118	62	55	1,555	7.6	828	339	489	5,523	15.0
Jan-Mar 2007	951	431	520	7,111	13.4	110	65	46	1,563	7.1	840	366	475	5,547	15.1
Apr-Jun 2007	960	409	551	7,143	13.4	110	65	45	1,571	7.0	850	344	506	5,572	15.3
Jul-Sep 2007	1,110	471	639	7,167	15.5	163	87	76	1,576	10.3	947	384	563	5,591	16.9
Oct-Dec 2007	931	401	530	7,186	13.0	115	66	48	1,579	7.3	817	335	482	5,607	14.6
Jan-Mar 2008	916	403	513	7,205	12.7	96	51	45	1,582	6.0	820	352	468	5,623	14.6
Apr-Jun 2008	956	402	554	7,224	13.2	106	61	45	1,585	6.7	850	341	509	5,640	15.1
Jul-Sep 2008	1,162	529	633	7,234	16.1	153	82	71	1,582	9.7	1,008	447	562	5,653	17.8
Oct-Dec 2008	992	495	497	7,240	13.7	101	60	41	1,576	6.4	891	435	456	5,664	15.7
Jan-Mar 2009	1,045	548	497	7,245	14.4	98	58	40	1,570	6.3	947	490	457	5,676	16.7
Apr-Jun 2009	1,086	540	546	7,251	15.0	104	53	50	1,564	6.6	982	487	495	5,687	17.3
Jul-Sep 2009	1,249	625	625	7,263	17.2	127	62	65	1,559	8.1	1,123	563	560	5,704	19.7
Oct-Dec 2009	1,051	533	518	7,277	14.4	84	49	35	1,554	5.4	967	484	483	5,723	16.9
Jan-Mar 2010	1,074	551	523	7,292	14.7	77	46	31	1,550	5.0	997	505	492	5,742	17.4
Apr-Jun 2010	1,031	505	526	7,306	14.1	81	46	35	1,546	5.2	951	459	492	5,761	16.5
Jul-Sep 2010	1,248	626	622	7,322	17.0	123	62	60	1,542	8.0	1,125	564	561	5,779	19.5
Oct-Dec 2010	1,134	583	550	7,337	15.5	77	42	35	1,539	5.0	1,057	541	516	5,798	18.2
Jan-Mar 2011	1,067	558	509	7,352	14.5	75	48	27	1,535	4.9	992	511	481	5,817	17.1
Apr-Jun 2011	1,124	579	544	7,368	15.2	83	56	26	1,532	5.4	1,041	523	518	5,836	17.8
Jul-Sep 2011	1,374	745	629	7,370	18.6	134	78	55	1,527	8.8	1,240	666	574	5,843	21.2
Oct-Dec 2011	1,184	662	523	7,366	16.1	88	49	39	1,522	5.8	1,097	613	484	5,844	18.8
Jan-Mar 2012	1,136	623	512	7,362	15.4	83	45	37	1,516	5.5	1,053	578	475	5,846	18.0
Apr-Jun 2012	1,153	610	542	7,358	15.7	85	51	34	1,511	5.6	1,068	560	508	5,847	18.3
Jul-Sep 2012	1,233	630	602	7,350	16.8	103	48	55	1,510	6.8	1,130	582	548	5,840	19.3
Oct-Dec 2012	1,056	565	491	7,340	14.4	60	32	29	1,511	4.0	996	533	462	5,829	17.1
Jan-Mar 2013	1,040	561	478	7,330	14.2	67	36	31	1,512	4.4	973	526	447	5,817	16.7
Apr-Jun 2013	1,053	558	495	7,320	14.4	64	35	30	1,514	4.2	989	523	466	5,806	17.0
Jul-Sep 2013	1,219	662	557	7,312	16.7	90	45	46	1,512	6.0	1,128	617	511	5,800	19.5
Oct-Dec 2013	1,010	563	447	7,305	13.8	58	34	24	1,509	3.9	952	529	423	5,796	16.4
Jan-Mar 2014	918	482	436	7,299	12.6	44	23	22	1,507	2.9	874	459	414	5,792	15.1
Apr-Jun 2014	930	430	500	7,292	12.8	52	25	28	1,504	3.5	878	405	473	5,788	15.2
Jul-Sep 2014	1,092	516	576	7,289	15.0	82	36	47	1,499	5.5	1,010	481	529	5,790	17.4
Oct-Dec 2014	944	450	494	7,288	13.0	55	30	26	1,494	3.7	889	421	468	5,794	15.3
Jan-Mar 2015	877	407	471	7,286	12.0	42	20	22	1,488	2.8	836	387	449	5,798	14.4
Apr-Jun 2015	890	399	491	7,285	12.2	44	25	18	1,482	3.0	846	373	472	5,803	14.6
Jul-Sep 2015	977	437	541	7,271	13.4	77	35	42	1,476	5.2	900	402	499	5,795	15.5
Oct-Dec 2015	832	355	477	7,250	11.5	41	20	21	1,470	2.8	791	334	457	5,781	13.7
Jan-Mar 2016	811	362	448	7,229	11.2	49	23	26	1,463	3.3	762	340	422	5,766	13.2

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1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Jul-Sep 2001	383	247	136	3,212	11.9	90	62	28	760	11.9	292	185	107	2,452	11.9
Oct-Dec 2001	330	223	107	3,231	10.2	60	46	15	763	7.9	270	177	93	2,468	10.9
Jan-Mar 2002	357	241	116	3,250	11.0	62	46	15	766	8.1	295	195	100	2,484	11.9
Apr-Jun 2002	343	220	122	3,269	10.5	60	43	17	769	7.8	282	177	105	2,500	11.3
Jul-Sep 2002	421	248	173	3,287	12.8	99	57	43	769	12.9	322	192	130	2,517	12.8
Oct-Dec 2002	332	218	113	3,304	10.0	71	52	18	769	9.2	261	166	95	2,535	10.3
Jan-Mar 2003	366	241	125	3,321	11.0	77	54	22	768	10.0	289	187	102	2,553	11.3
Apr-Jun 2003	327	204	123	3,338	9.8	66	43	23	767	8.6	261	161	101	2,571	10.2
Jul-Sep 2003	411	244	167	3,357	12.2	103	62	41	768	13.4	308	182	126	2,589	11.9
Oct-Dec 2003	333	205	129	3,376	9.9	69	48	21	770	9.0	264	156	108	2,606	10.1
Jan-Mar 2004	334	212	121	3,394	9.8	59	41	18	772	7.6	275	172	103	2,623	10.5
Apr-Jun 2004	326	201	125	3,413	9.5	59	40	20	773	7.7	266	161	105	2,640	10.1
Jul-Sep 2004	427	254	173	3,427	12.5	96	67	29	775	12.4	331	187	144	2,652	12.5
Oct-Dec 2004	378	236	142	3,440	11.0	68	46	21	777	8.7	310	190	121	2,663	11.7
Jan-Mar 2005	369	236	134	3,452	10.7	63	43	20	779	8.1	306	193	113	2,673	11.5
Apr-Jun 2005	372	224	148	3,464	10.7	67	44	23	780	8.6	305	180	125	2,684	11.4
Jul-Sep 2005	467	287	180	3,476	13.4	111	67	44	782	14.2	355	219	136	2,694	13.2
Oct-Dec 2005	427	269	157	3,489	12.2	84	56	28	783	10.7	343	214	129	2,705	12.7
Jan-Mar 2006	407	249	158	3,501	11.6	73	44	29	785	9.3	334	205	129	2,716	12.3
Apr-Jun 2006	435	261	173	3,513	12.4	73	39	34	786	9.3	362	222	140	2,727	13.3
Jul-Sep 2006	487	300	187	3,530	13.8	104	60	44	790	13.1	384	241	143	2,740	14.0
Oct-Dec 2006	408	242	166	3,549	11.5	71	40	31	795	9.0	337	202	135	2,754	12.2
Jan-Mar 2007	419	275	144	3,568	11.7	65	42	23	799	8.1	354	234	121	2,769	12.8
Apr-Jun 2007	412	252	160	3,587	11.5	65	44	21	804	8.1	347	208	138	2,783	12.5
Jul-Sep 2007	476	279	198	3,598	13.2	87	52	35	805	10.8	390	227	163	2,799	14.0
Oct-Dec 2007	389	246	143	3,604	10.8	71	44	27	805	8.8	318	202	117	2,799	11.4
Jan-Mar 2008	391	257	135	3,611	10.8	55	31	24	806	6.8	337	226	111	2,806	12.0
Apr-Jun 2008	391	243	148	3,618	10.8	59	33	27	806	7.4	331	210	122	2,813	11.8
Jul-Sep 2008	512	321	190	3,622	14.1	84	49	34	803	10.4	428	272	156	2,818	15.2
Oct-Dec 2008	425	311	114	3,623	11.7	56	36	21	800	7.0	369	275	94	2,823	13.1
Jan-Mar 2009	485	350	135	3,625	13.4	54	37	17	796	6.8	431	313	118	2,828	15.3
Apr-Jun 2009	486	338	148	3,626	13.4	55	31	24	793	7.0	430	307	124	2,833	15.2
Jul-Sep 2009	570	381	189	3,635	15.7	71	36	35	791	8.9	499	345	154	2,843	17.6
Oct-Dec 2009	463	334	129	3,646	12.7	47	32	15	791	5.9	416	302	114	2,855	14.6
Jan-Mar 2010	492	356	137	3,658	13.5	45	28	17	790	5.8	447	328	119	2,868	15.6
Apr-Jun 2010	451	311	139	3,670	12.3	49	27	21	789	6.1	402	284	118	2,880	14.0
Jul-Sep 2010	556	363	193	3,681	15.1	71	38	33	788	9.0	485	325	160	2,892	16.8
Oct-Dec 2010	522	352	169	3,692	14.1	42	24	18	787	5.4	479	328	151	2,905	16.5
Jan-Mar 2011	509	354	155	3,703	13.7	46	31	15	786	5.9	462	322	140	2,917	15.8
Apr-Jun 2011	503	356	147	3,713	13.5	53	41	12	785	6.7	450	315	136	2,929	15.4
Jul-Sep 2011	650	457	194	3,718	17.5	82	50	32	783	10.5	568	406	162	2,935	19.4
Oct-Dec 2011	571	420	151	3,719	15.4	54	32	22	780	6.9	517	388	129	2,938	17.6
Jan-Mar 2012	548	403	145	3,720	14.7	47	25	21	778	6.0	502	377	124	2,942	17.1
Apr-Jun 2012	542	392	151	3,721	14.6	52	31	21	776	6.7	490	360	130	2,945	16.6
Jul-Sep 2012	581	384	197	3,719	15.6	64	31	34	775	8.3	516	353	163	2,944	17.5
Oct-Dec 2012	495	347	147	3,716	13.3	37	21	16	776	4.8	458	326	131	2,940	15.6
Jan-Mar 2013	477	343	134	3,712	12.8	38	26	12	776	4.9	439	316	123	2,936	15.0
Apr-Jun 2013	478	342	136	3,709	12.9	32	20	12	777	4.2	446	321	124	2,932	15.2
Jul-Sep 2013	579	394	185	3,707	15.6	51	28	23	776	6.6	529	367	162	2,931	18.0
Oct-Dec 2013	493	354	139	3,706	13.3	36	24	12	774	4.7	457	330	127	2,932	15.6
Jan-Mar 2014	430	309	121	3,704	11.6	24	16	8	772	3.1	406	293	113	2,933	13.8
Apr-Jun 2014	429	273	156	3,703	11.6	21	10	11	770	2.7	408	263	145	2,933	13.9
Jul-Sep 2014	511	313	198	3,703	13.8	44	16	29	767	5.8	467	297	170	2,936	15.9
Oct-Dec 2014	410	270	140	3,704	11.1	26	15	11	764	3.4	385	256	129	2,939	13.1
Jan-Mar 2015	390	248	142	3,704	10.5	24	14	10	761	3.2	365	233	132	2,943	12.4
Apr-Jun 2015	405	247	158	3,705	10.9	24	16	8	759	3.2	381	231	149	2,946	12.9
Jul-Sep 2015	459	259	200	3,699	12.4	46	20	25	756	6.0	413	238	175	2,944	14.0
Oct-Dec 2015	386	217	169	3,690	10.5	28	16	12	752	3.7	358	201	157	2,938	12.2
Jan-Mar 2016	378	214	164	3,681	10.3	30	15	15	749	4.0	347	199	149	2,932	11.8

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	Young people who were NEET			Total people in relevant population group	People who were NEET as a percentage of people in relevant population group	Young people who were NEET			Total people in relevant population group	People who were NEET as a percentage of people in relevant population group	Young people who were NEET			Total people in relevant population group	People who were NEET as a percentage of people in relevant population group
	Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive			Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive			Total	Unemployed	Economically inactive		
1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
Jul-Sep 2001	557	152	405	3,190	17.5	67	34	33	725	9.2	490	118	372	2,466	19.9
Oct-Dec 2001	473	130	343	3,207	14.8	55	27	28	727	7.5	419	103	316	2,479	16.9
Jan-Mar 2002	475	132	342	3,223	14.7	51	24	27	730	7.0	424	108	315	2,493	17.0
Apr-Jun 2002	475	117	358	3,240	14.7	50	23	26	733	6.8	426	93	332	2,507	17.0
Jul-Sep 2002	560	165	396	3,257	17.2	71	39	33	735	9.7	489	126	363	2,522	19.4
Oct-Dec 2002	472	117	355	3,276	14.4	50	28	21	737	6.7	423	89	334	2,539	16.6
Jan-Mar 2003	496	139	357	3,294	15.1	47	26	21	739	6.4	449	113	335	2,555	17.6
Apr-Jun 2003	508	125	383	3,312	15.4	51	30	21	741	6.9	457	95	362	2,572	17.8
Jul-Sep 2003	582	165	417	3,330	17.5	70	34	37	744	9.5	512	131	381	2,587	19.8
Oct-Dec 2003	480	117	363	3,348	14.3	41	22	19	748	5.5	439	95	344	2,600	16.9
Jan-Mar 2004	464	119	345	3,366	13.8	46	28	18	752	6.1	418	92	327	2,614	16.0
Apr-Jun 2004	499	125	375	3,384	14.8	47	23	24	756	6.2	452	102	350	2,628	17.2
Jul-Sep 2004	611	181	429	3,402	18.0	77	38	39	758	10.2	533	143	390	2,644	20.2
Oct-Dec 2004	510	139	372	3,419	14.9	55	31	24	759	7.2	456	108	348	2,660	17.1
Jan-Mar 2005	512	133	379	3,437	14.9	58	31	27	760	7.6	454	103	351	2,677	17.0
Apr-Jun 2005	524	136	388	3,455	15.2	48	23	25	762	6.2	477	114	363	2,693	17.7
Jul-Sep 2005	592	169	423	3,468	17.1	65	28	37	761	8.6	527	140	386	2,707	19.5
Oct-Dec 2005	543	146	397	3,480	15.6	47	26	21	759	6.2	496	121	376	2,721	18.2
Jan-Mar 2006	529	143	386	3,491	15.1	45	23	22	757	5.9	484	120	364	2,734	17.7
Apr-Jun 2006	539	158	382	3,503	15.4	47	21	26	756	6.3	492	137	355	2,747	17.9
Jul-Sep 2006	644	202	442	3,516	18.3	75	37	38	757	9.9	569	166	404	2,759	20.6
Oct-Dec 2006	537	159	378	3,529	15.2	46	22	24	761	6.1	491	137	354	2,769	17.7
Jan-Mar 2007	532	155	377	3,543	15.0	46	22	23	764	6.0	486	132	354	2,779	17.5
Apr-Jun 2007	549	157	392	3,557	15.4	45	22	24	767	5.9	503	135	368	2,789	18.0
Jul-Sep 2007	633	192	441	3,569	17.7	76	36	41	770	9.9	557	157	400	2,799	19.9
Oct-Dec 2007	542	156	387	3,582	15.1	44	22	22	773	5.7	498	133	365	2,808	17.7
Jan-Mar 2008	525	146	379	3,594	14.6	41	20	21	776	5.3	484	126	357	2,817	17.2
Apr-Jun 2008	565	159	406	3,606	15.7	46	28	18	779	5.9	519	131	388	2,827	18.4
Jul-Sep 2008	650	208	442	3,613	18.0	70	33	36	778	9.0	580	174	406	2,835	20.5
Oct-Dec 2008	567	184	383	3,617	15.7	44	24	20	776	5.7	523	160	363	2,841	18.4
Jan-Mar 2009	560	198	362	3,621	15.5	45	21	23	773	5.8	515	177	338	2,848	18.1
Apr-Jun 2009	600	202	398	3,625	16.6	48	22	26	771	6.3	552	180	372	2,854	19.3
Jul-Sep 2009	680	244	436	3,628	18.7	56	26	30	767	7.3	624	218	406	2,861	21.8
Oct-Dec 2009	588	199	389	3,631	16.2	37	17	20	764	4.9	551	182	368	2,867	19.2
Jan-Mar 2010	582	195	386	3,634	16.0	32	18	14	760	4.2	550	177	373	2,874	19.1
Apr-Jun 2010	581	194	387	3,637	16.0	32	19	14	756	4.2	549	175	374	2,880	19.1
Jul-Sep 2010	691	263	429	3,641	19.0	52	25	27	754	6.9	640	238	402	2,887	22.2
Oct-Dec 2010	612	231	381	3,645	16.8	35	18	17	752	4.6	578	213	364	2,894	20.0
Jan-Mar 2011	558	204	354	3,650	15.3	29	16	13	750	3.8	530	188	341	2,900	18.3
Apr-Jun 2011	621	224	397	3,654	17.0	30	15	15	747	4.0	591	208	382	2,907	20.3
Jul-Sep 2011	724	288	436	3,653	19.8	52	28	24	745	7.0	672	260	412	2,908	23.1
Oct-Dec 2011	613	241	372	3,647	16.8	34	16	18	742	4.6	579	225	354	2,906	19.9
Jan-Mar 2012	587	220	367	3,642	16.1	36	20	16	738	4.9	551	200	351	2,904	19.0
Apr-Jun 2012	610	219	392	3,637	16.8	33	19	13	735	4.5	577	199	378	2,902	19.9
Jul-Sep 2012	652	247	405	3,631	18.0	39	18	21	735	5.2	613	229	385	2,896	21.2
Oct-Dec 2012	561	218	344	3,624	15.5	23	11	13	735	3.2	538	207	331	2,889	18.6
Jan-Mar 2013	563	219	344	3,617	15.6	29	9	19	736	3.9	534	209	325	2,881	18.5
Apr-Jun 2013	575	216	359	3,611	15.9	32	14	18	737	4.3	543	202	341	2,874	18.9
Jul-Sep 2013	639	268	372	3,605	17.7	39	17	22	737	5.4	600	251	349	2,868	20.9
Oct-Dec 2013	517	209	307	3,600	14.4	22	11	12	736	3.0	494	199	296	2,864	17.3
Jan-Mar 2014	488	173	315	3,595	13.6	20	7	13	735	2.8	468	166	302	2,860	16.4
Apr-Jun 2014	501	157	344	3,589	13.9	31	15	16	734	4.2	470	142	327	2,855	16.4
Jul-Sep 2014	581	204	377	3,586	16.2	38	20	18	732	5.2	543	184	359	2,854	19.0
Oct-Dec 2014	534	180	354	3,584	14.9	30	15	15	729	4.1	504	165	339	2,855	17.7
Jan-Mar 2015	488	159	329	3,582	13.6	17	6	12	726	2.4	470	154	317	2,856	16.5
Apr-Jun 2015	485	152	333	3,580	13.5	20	10	10	724	2.8	465	142	323	2,856	16.3
Jul-Sep 2015	519	178	341	3,571	14.5	32	14	17	720	4.4	487	164	324	2,851	17.1
Oct-Dec 2015	446	138	308	3,560	12.5	13	5	9	717	1.9	433	134	299	2,843	15.2
Jan-Mar 2016	433	148	285	3,548	12.2	19	7	11	714	2.6	414	141	273	2,834	14.6

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