



# Employment Bulletin

## A Monthly Analysis of Employment, Unemployment and Jobs

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### February 2015

Unemployment according to the Government's preferred measure was 1.86 million in the three months to January 2015, down 102,000 from the previous three months and down 479,000 from the same period a year ago. The unemployment rate was 5.7%, down 0.3 from the previous three months and down 1.5 from a year earlier.

The unemployment rate for 16-24 year olds was 16.2% in the three months to January 2015, down by 0.4% on the quarter and down 3.6% on the year. There were 743,000 unemployed young people aged from 16 to 24 in the quarter to January 2015. This is down by 12,000 on the quarter and down by 181,000 over the year. Comparisons of youth unemployment over time are complicated by the fact that unemployment rates are calculated as the number of unemployed people divided by the economically active

population which excludes those not seeking or available for work. The proportion of people aged from 16 to 24 in full-time education has increased substantially from 26.2% for March to May 1992 to 43.4% for the three months ending January 2015. Unemployment rates are

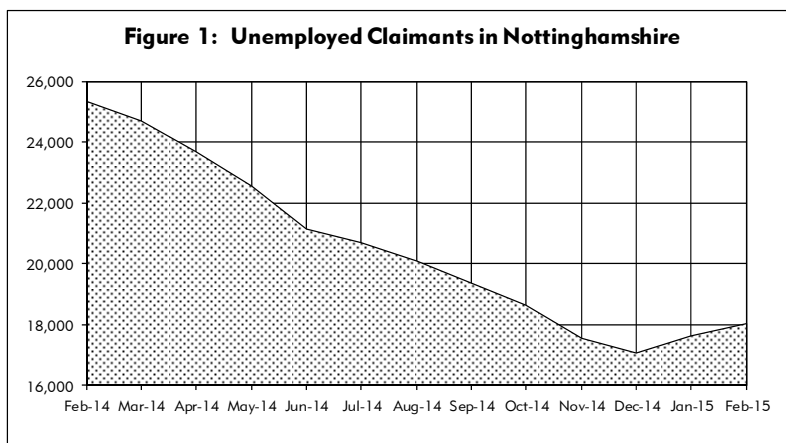
not the proportion of the total population who are unemployed. They are the proportion of the economically active population (those in work plus those seeking and available to work) who are unemployed. The long-term increase in the proportion of young people going into full-time education reduces the size of the economically active population and therefore increases the unemployment rate.

The seasonally adjusted claimant figure for the United Kingdom decreased by 31,000 last month to 791,200 and was down 380,500 over the year.

The number of people in employment aged 16 and over increased by 143,000 over the quarter to reach 30.94 million.

### Key Facts

- \* **Claimant count in Nottinghamshire rises by 403 over the month.**
- \* **Jobless total now 18,027.**
- \* **Claimant count rates in February (residence based);**  
**United Kingdom 2.1%**  
**East Midlands 1.9%**  
**Nottinghamshire 2.5%**  
**County 1.8%**  
**City 4.1%**
- \* **LFS Unemployment in the United Kingdom 1,860,000 or 5.7% of the workforce.**



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The employment rate for those aged 16 to 64 is now 73.3%, up 0.3 from the previous quarter and up 1.2 from a year earlier.

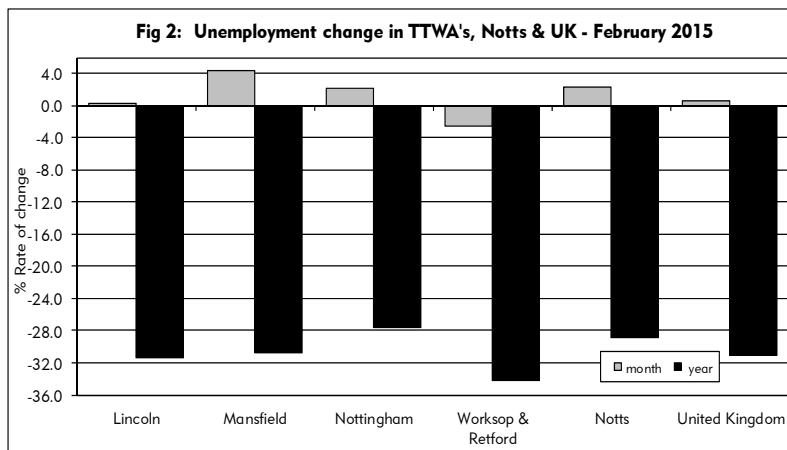
The number of people in full-time employment increased by 98,000 on the quarter to reach 22.64 million. The number of people in part-time employment was 8.29 million in the three months to January 2015, up 45,000 on the previous quarter.

In the three months to January 2015, there were 9.03 million economically inactive people aged from 16 to 64, down 30,000 from the previous quarter but up 14,000 from a year earlier.

Average total pay (including bonuses) was £483 per week in January 2015. Over the year total pay for employees in Great Britain increased by 1.8%. Average regular pay (excluding bonuses) was £457 per week in January 2015. Over the year regular pay for employees in Great Britain rose by 1.6%. Between January 2014 and January 2015, the Consumer Prices Index increased by 0.3%.

There were 735,000 job vacancies in the three months to February 2015, up 35,000 from the three months to November 2014 and up 140,000 on a year earlier.

There were 2.6 unemployed people per vacancy



in the period from November 2014 to January 2015, down 0.2 on the quarter and down by 1.4 on the year.

In the three months to January 2015, 114,000 people became redundant in the three months prior to their Labour Force Survey interview. This is up 12,000 from the previous three months but down 3,000 on the year. The redundancy rate was 4.4 per 1,000 employees, up 0.4 from the previous three months but down 0.2 from a year earlier.

The unadjusted claimant figure for the United Kingdom has increased by 5,410 over the month to 858,344. The proportion unemployed calculated on the residence base now stands at 2.1% of the population aged 16-64.

The number of claimants in Nottinghamshire increased by 403 between January and

February 2015. The total of 18,027 is 7,328 less than it was a year ago (see figure 1).

The proportion unemployed in Nottinghamshire is now 2.5%. This is higher than the East Midlands (1.9%) and the United Kingdom (2.1%).

Between January and February 2015, unemployment increased in three of the four Travel To Work Areas in the County (figure 2). Mansfield experienced the largest increase with a rate of change of 4.3%, followed by Nottingham with 2.1% and Lincoln with 0.3%. Worksop & Retford experienced a reduction over the month resulting in a rate of change of -2.6%.

Compared with February 2014, all of the four TTWA's in the County have reduced numbers of claimants. The largest change has been in Worksop & Retford with a rate of

**Table 1: Claimant Count, February 2015**

Area	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
UK seasonally adjusted	502,400	288,800	791,200	-31,000	-380,500	2.5	1.4	1.9
United Kingdom	556,028	302,316	858,344	5,410	-385,090	2.7	1.5	2.1
East Midlands	36,571	20,237	56,808	1,250	-26,375	2.5	1.4	1.9
Notts County (a)	6,009	3,182	9,191	93	-4,269	2.4	1.3	1.8
Nottm City (b)	5,884	2,952	8,836	310	-3,059	5.3	2.8	4.1
Nottinghamshire (a+b)	11,893	6,134	18,027	403	-7,328	3.3	1.7	2.5

The rates shown in tables 1-4 are supplied by ONS. They are calculated by expressing the claimant count figures as a proportion of the resident population aged 16-64 derived from the latest mid-year population figures.

change of -34.2% followed by Lincoln with -31.3%, Mansfield with -30.7% and Nottingham with -27.6%.

Unemployment increased in five of the seven Local Authority Districts in the County over the month. The largest increases were in Ashfield with 5.3% and Newark & Sherwood with 2.4%. Unemployment in the City of Nottingham increased by 310 over the month resulting in a rate of change of 3.6%.

The rates of change

have varied throughout the County over the year, from -35.2% in Broxtowe to -26.7% in Rushcliffe. Nottingham City changed by -25.7% over the year.

Unemployment increased in six of the eight Parliamentary Constituencies in the County during February. Ashfield and Newark recorded the largest increases, experiencing rates of change of 6.7% and 3.8% respectively. Over the month Nottingham East has changed by 3.3%,

Nottingham North by 2.6% and Nottingham South by 5.9%.

All of the eight Parliamentary Constituencies in the County have decreased numbers of claimants compared with the same period last year resulting in rates of change ranging from -25.8% in Rushcliffe to -35.6% in Newark. The three Nottingham Constituencies have rates of change of -25.6% in Nottingham East, -27.0% in Nottingham North and -23.9% in Nottingham South.

**Table 2: Claimant Count by Travel To Work Areas in Nottinghamshire, February 2015**

Travel To Work Area	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Lincoln	3,017	1,488	4,505	13	-2,053	3.0	1.4	2.2
Mansfield	2,696	1,488	4,184	172	-1,851	3.0	1.6	2.3
Nottingham	9,366	4,749	14,115	295	-5,370	3.4	1.8	2.6
Worksop & Retford	980	504	1,484	-40	-772	2.6	1.4	2.0

Proportions for Travel To Work Areas are calculated using the mid-2010 resident 16-64 population.

**Table 3: Claimant Count by Local Authority Districts in Nottinghamshire, February 2015**

District	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Ashfield	1,187	701	1,888	95	-720	3.1	1.8	2.5
Bassetlaw	892	463	1,355	-38	-715	2.5	1.3	1.9
Broxtowe	697	384	1,081	14	-588	2.0	1.1	1.5
Gedling	833	427	1,260	-38	-612	2.4	1.2	1.8
Mansfield	1,155	583	1,738	31	-807	3.5	1.7	2.6
Newark & Sherwood	746	397	1,143	27	-562	2.1	1.1	1.6
<i>Nottingham**</i>	<i>5,884</i>	<i>2,952</i>	<i>8,836</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>-3,059</i>	<i>5.3</i>	<i>2.8</i>	<i>4.1</i>
Rushcliffe	499	227	726	2	-265	1.4	0.7	1.0

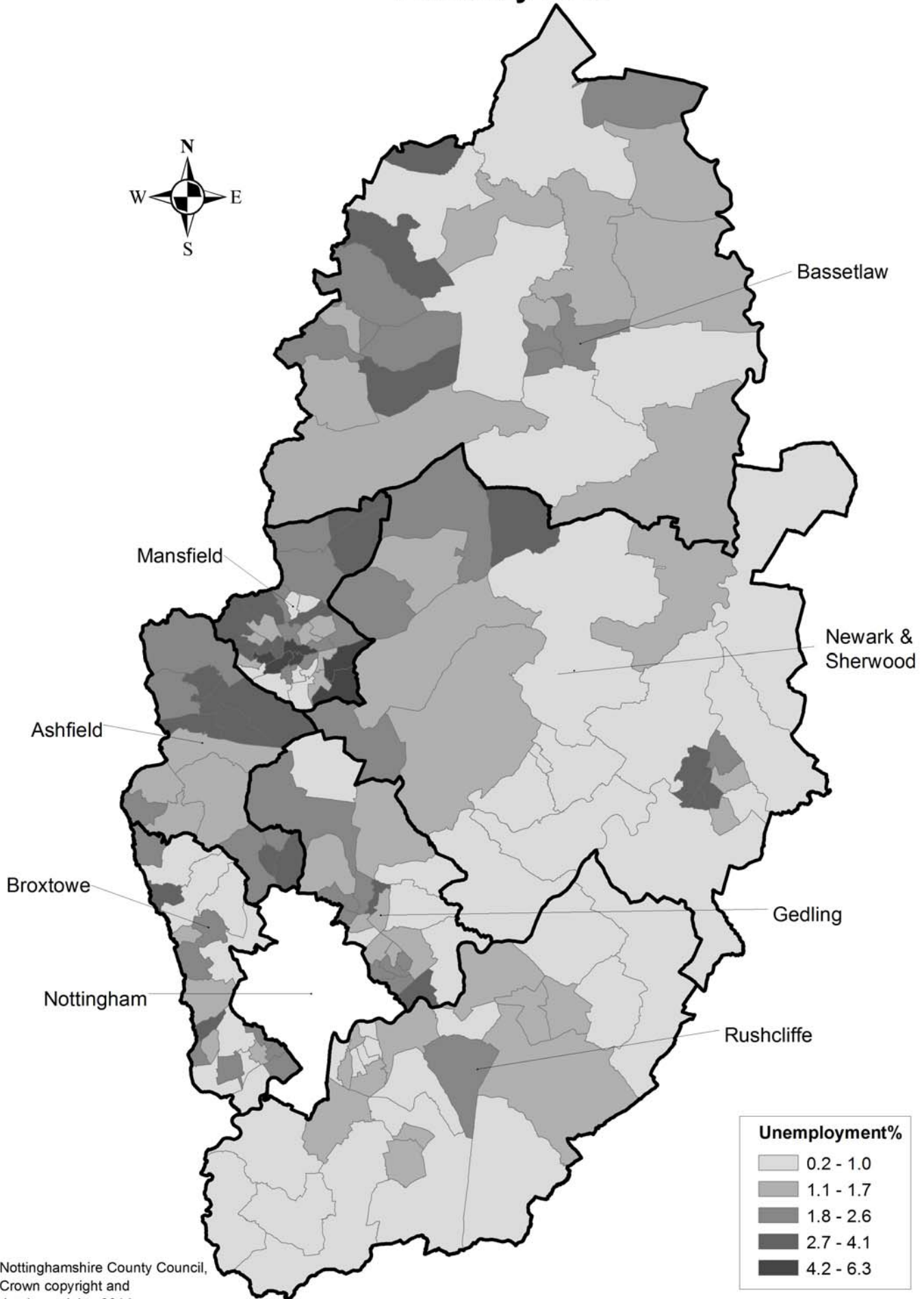
\*Figures relating to the Unitary Authority of Nottingham City in tables 3 & 4 are shown in italics.

**Table 4: Claimant Count by Parliamentary Constituencies in Nottinghamshire, February 2015**

Constituency	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Ashfield	968	584	1,552	97	-634	3.0	1.8	2.4
Bassetlaw	859	442	1,301	-47	-682	2.6	1.4	2.0
Broxtowe	573	305	878	9	-449	1.9	1.0	1.4
Gedling	754	370	1,124	-31	-513	2.6	1.2	1.9
Mansfield	1,155	583	1,738	31	-807	3.5	1.7	2.6
Newark	534	283	817	30	-452	1.7	0.9	1.3
<i>Nottingham East</i>	<i>2,386</i>	<i>1,104</i>	<i>3,490</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>-1,203</i>	<i>6.3</i>	<i>3.2</i>	<i>4.8</i>
<i>Nottingham North</i>	<i>2,060</i>	<i>1,183</i>	<i>3,243</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>-1,197</i>	<i>7.1</i>	<i>3.7</i>	<i>5.3</i>
<i>Nottingham South</i>	<i>1,438</i>	<i>665</i>	<i>2,103</i>	<i>117</i>	<i>-659</i>	<i>3.2</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>2.5</i>
Rushcliffe	438	191	629	3	-219	1.5	0.6	1.1
Sherwood	728	424	1,152	1	-513	2.5	1.4	1.9

Proportions for Parliamentary Constituencies are calculated using the mid-2010 resident 16-64 age population.

# Unemployment Rates in Nottinghamshire Wards February 2015



**\*\* PERSONS \*\* NOTTINGHAMSHIRE WARD UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES - FEBRUARY 2015**

**WARD RATES RANKED IN DESCENDING ORDER**

<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>WARD</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>EST. %</b>
Mansfield	Portland	110	6.3
Mansfield	Ransom Wood	113	6.2
Mansfield	Oak Tree	106	5.6
Mansfield	Newgate	101	5.0
Mansfield	Ladybrook	104	4.6
Mansfield	Carr Bank	98	4.3
Bassetlaw	Worksop South East	214	4.1
Mansfield	Woodhouse	87	4.0
Mansfield	Woodlands	58	3.9
Mansfield	Broomhill	71	3.5
Ashfield	Kirkby in Ashfield East	140	3.4
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield East	272	3.2
Mansfield	Bull Farm and Pleasley Hill	71	3.2
Mansfield	Penniment	55	3.2
Gedling	Killisick	51	3.2
Ashfield	Hucknall East	177	3.1
Bassetlaw	Harworth	149	3.1
Newark & Sherwood	Castle	95	3.1
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield Central	217	3.0
Gedling	Netherfield and Colwick	157	3.0
Ashfield	Kirkby in Ashfield West	132	3.0
Newark & Sherwood	Magnus	105	3.0
Newark & Sherwood	Boughton	91	3.0
Bassetlaw	Langold	47	2.9
Broxtowe	Eastwood South	161	2.8
Ashfield	Hucknall Central	128	2.8
Newark & Sherwood	Devon	97	2.8
Broxtowe	Stapleford North	80	2.8
Mansfield	Netherfield	50	2.8
Mansfield	Meden	43	2.8
Mansfield	Peafields	48	2.7
Gedling	Bonington	116	2.6
Mansfield	Market Warsop	51	2.5
Mansfield	Park Hall	49	2.5
Newark & Sherwood	Bridge	82	2.4
Gedling	Daybrook	81	2.4
Gedling	Valley	66	2.4
Mansfield	Sandhurst	50	2.4
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield North	155	2.3
Gedling	Carlton	101	2.3
Ashfield	Hucknall North	100	2.3
Bassetlaw	Misterton	33	2.3
Ashfield	Hucknall West	134	2.2
Gedling	Carlton Hill	108	2.2
Newark & Sherwood	Ollerton	92	2.2
Bassetlaw	Carlton	75	2.2
Newark & Sherwood	Clipstone	67	2.2
Bassetlaw	East Retford South	60	2.2
Mansfield	Racecourse	43	2.2
Bassetlaw	Worksop North West	111	2.1
Broxtowe	Beeston North	84	2.1
Broxtowe	Beeston Rylands	84	2.1

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Bassetlaw	Worksop East	81	2.1
Ashfield	Jacksdale	43	2.1
Gedling	St Marys	82	2.0
Bassetlaw	Worksop North East	73	2.0
Gedling	Phoenix	62	2.0
Mansfield	Yeoman Hill	48	2.0
Mansfield	Warsop Carrs	41	2.0
Gedling	Newstead	30	2.0
Ashfield	Sutton in Ashfield West	141	1.9
Broxtowe	Chilwell West	94	1.9
Broxtowe	Cossall and Kimberley	83	1.9
Mansfield	Newlands	37	1.9
Broxtowe	Brinsley	28	1.9
Rushcliffe	Cotgrave	86	1.8
Bassetlaw	East Retford East	78	1.8
Broxtowe	Beeston Central	64	1.8
Broxtowe	Stapleford South West	64	1.8
Bassetlaw	East Retford West	58	1.8
Newark & Sherwood	Blidworth	51	1.8
Mansfield	Kingsway	35	1.8
Ashfield	Kirkby in Ashfield Central	82	1.7
Ashfield	Woodhouse	79	1.7
Ashfield	Selston	69	1.7
Mansfield	Brick Kiln	33	1.7
Mansfield	Sherwood	30	1.7
Mansfield	Maun Valley	29	1.7
Mansfield	Ling Forest	27	1.7
Mansfield	Abbott	23	1.7
Gedling	Bestwood Village	22	1.7
Bassetlaw	East Retford North	61	1.6
Newark & Sherwood	Balderton West	49	1.6
Gedling	Kingswell	48	1.6
Broxtowe	Awsworth	23	1.6
Bassetlaw	Sturton	22	1.6
Newark & Sherwood	Rainworth	69	1.5
Rushcliffe	Trent Bridge	57	1.5
Newark & Sherwood	Edwinstowe	48	1.5
Broxtowe	Stapleford South East	46	1.5
Rushcliffe	Keyworth South	45	1.5
Gedling	St James	37	1.5
Rushcliffe	Keyworth North	12	1.5
Gedling	Porchester	66	1.4
Bassetlaw	Worksop South	63	1.4
Rushcliffe	Trent	40	1.4
Bassetlaw	Tuxford and Trent	38	1.4
Rushcliffe	Edwalton Village	31	1.4
Bassetlaw	Beckingham	19	1.4
Newark & Sherwood	Beacon	65	1.3
Gedling	Mapperley Plains	58	1.3
Broxtowe	Beeston West	49	1.3
Rushcliffe	Gamston	47	1.3
Rushcliffe	Bingham West	43	1.3

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Bassetlaw	Ranskill	19	1.3
Newark & Sherwood	Farnsfield and Bilsthorpe	59	1.2
Gedling	Calverton	53	1.2
Gedling	Gedling	52	1.2
Rushcliffe	Lutterell	27	1.2
Bassetlaw	Welbeck	14	1.2
Bassetlaw	Worksop North	69	1.1
Rushcliffe	Ruddington	48	1.1
Rushcliffe	Bingham East	29	1.1
Rushcliffe	Wiverton	25	1.1
Mansfield	Holly	23	1.1
Mansfield	Lindhurst	19	1.1
Ashfield	Underwood	19	1.1
Newark & Sherwood	Sutton-on-Trent	16	1.1
Broxtowe	Trowell	16	1.1
Bassetlaw	Clayworth	12	1.1
Newark & Sherwood	Farndon	38	1.0
Broxtowe	Nuthall East and Strelley	33	1.0
Broxtowe	Nuthall West and Greasley (Watnall)	31	1.0
Newark & Sherwood	Balderton North	30	1.0
Mansfield	Kings Walk	22	1.0
Bassetlaw	Everton	14	1.0
Rushcliffe	Gotham	12	1.0
Rushcliffe	Lady Bay	32	0.9
Rushcliffe	Compton Acres	30	0.9
Rushcliffe	Melton	27	0.9
Bassetlaw	Sutton	20	0.9
Broxtowe	Bramcote	34	0.8
Broxtowe	Greasley (Giltbrook and Newthorpe)	32	0.8
Rushcliffe	Leake	31	0.8
Broxtowe	Chilwell East	26	0.8
Mansfield	Manor	13	0.8
Rushcliffe	Oak	10	0.8
Gedling	Woodborough	9	0.8
Gedling	Woodthorpe	30	0.7
Rushcliffe	Abbey	20	0.7
Rushcliffe	Musters	18	0.7
Newark & Sherwood	Collingham and Meering	17	0.7
Broxtowe	Eastwood North and Greasley (Beauvale)	14	0.7
Mansfield	Grange Farm	12	0.7
Mansfield	Hornby	12	0.7
Bassetlaw	Blyth	9	0.7
Rushcliffe	Tollerton	7	0.7
Newark & Sherwood	Lowdham	22	0.6
Mansfield	Eakring	10	0.6
Newark & Sherwood	Southwell West	10	0.6
Newark & Sherwood	Winthorpe	10	0.6
Newark & Sherwood	Caunton	9	0.6
Bassetlaw	Rampton	9	0.6
Mansfield	Berry Hill	7	0.6
Broxtowe	Toton and Chilwell Meadows	28	0.5
Gedling	Ravenshead	17	0.5

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Rushcliffe	Manvers	12	0.5
Rushcliffe	Cranmer	9	0.5
Mansfield	Oakham	9	0.5
Broxtowe	Attenborough	7	0.5
Bassetlaw	East Markham	7	0.5
Newark & Sherwood	Muskham	7	0.5
Rushcliffe	Stanford	7	0.5
Newark & Sherwood	Trent	7	0.5
Gedling	Burton Joyce and Stoke Bardolph	9	0.4
Rushcliffe	Thoroton	6	0.4
Gedling	Lambley	5	0.4
Rushcliffe	Wolds	5	0.4
Rushcliffe	Soar Valley	6	0.3
Rushcliffe	Nevile	4	0.3
Newark & Sherwood	Southwell North	4	0.3
Newark & Sherwood	Southwell East	3	0.2
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Aspley</i>	<i>758</i>	<i>7.1</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Bulwell</i>	<i>634</i>	<i>6.3</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Bestwood</i>	<i>632</i>	<i>5.9</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Arboretum</i>	<i>649</i>	<i>5.5</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>St Ann's</i>	<i>799</i>	<i>5.4</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Berridge</i>	<i>702</i>	<i>5.2</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Dales</i>	<i>562</i>	<i>5.1</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Bilborough</i>	<i>486</i>	<i>4.8</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Basford</i>	<i>460</i>	<i>4.3</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Clifton South</i>	<i>350</i>	<i>4.2</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Mapperley</i>	<i>442</i>	<i>4.1</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Bridge</i>	<i>426</i>	<i>3.5</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Sherwood</i>	<i>336</i>	<i>3.2</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Bulwell Forest</i>	<i>273</i>	<i>3.2</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Leen Valley</i>	<i>219</i>	<i>3.2</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Radford and Park</i>	<i>535</i>	<i>2.8</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Clifton North</i>	<i>226</i>	<i>2.5</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Wollaton West</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>1.5</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Dunkirk and Lenton</i>	<i>123</i>	<i>1.2</i>
<i>Nottingham</i>	<i>Wollaton East and Lenton Abbey</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>1.1</i>

# These figures are suppressed as value is 1 or 2.

**New Disclosure Control Procedures with JSA Claimant Count Data**

The procedure follows an interim review of the confidentiality of JSA claimant count data, and is required for compliance with the National Statistics Code of Practice for Data Access and Confidentiality.

The procedure is the primary suppression of any cell count of 1 or 2, which is instead denoted by the symbol '#'. A true value of zero continues to be shown as 0.





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