



Employment Bulletin

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Unemployment according to the Government's preferred measure was 1.77 million in the three months to August 2015, down 79,000 from the previous three months and down 198,000 from the same period a year ago. The unemployment rate was 5.4%, down 0.2% from the previous three months and down 0.6% from a year earlier.

The unemployment rate for 18-24 year olds was 13.3% in the three months to August 2015, down by 0.9% on the quarter and down 0.7% on the year. There were 544,000 unemployed young people aged from 18 to 24 in the quarter to August 2015. This is down by 35,000 on the quarter and down by 28,000 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

Key Facts

- * **Claimant count in Nottinghamshire falls by 585 over the month.**
- * **Jobless total now 15,173.**
- * **Claimant count rates in September (residence based);**
United Kingdom 1.7%
East Midlands 1.5%
Nottinghamshire 2.1%
County 1.5%
City 3.4%
- * **LFS Unemployment in the United Kingdom 1,770,000 or 5.4% of the workforce.**

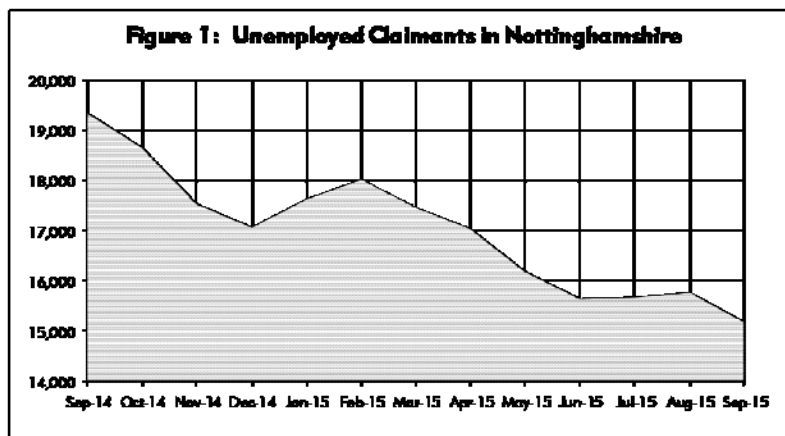
population which excludes those not seeking or available for work. Unemployment rates are not the proportion of the total population who are unemployed. They are the proportion of the economically active population (those in work plus those seeking and available to work) who are

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 increased by 4,585 last month to 796,236 and was down 159,755 over the year.

The number of people in employment aged 16 and over increased by 140,000 over the quarter to reach 31.12 million. The employment rate for those aged 16 to 64 is now 73.6%.

The number of people in full-time employment increased by 56,000 on the quarter to reach 22.77 million. The



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number of people in part-time employment was 8.35 million in the three months to August 2015, up 84,000 on the previous quarter.

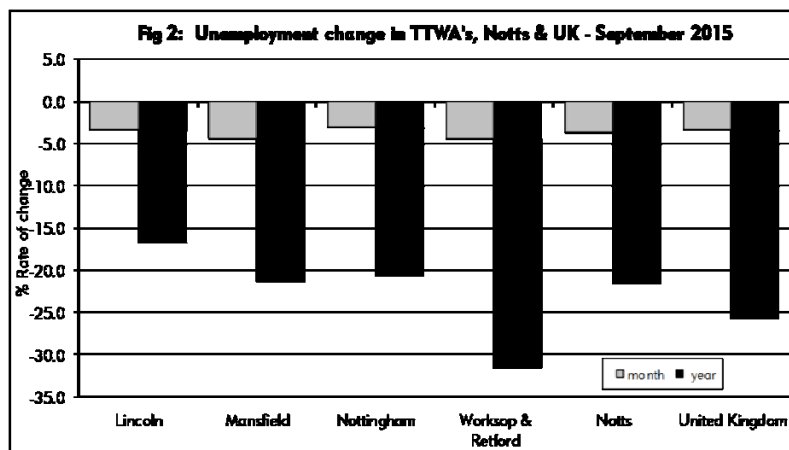
In the three months to August 2015, there were 9.01 million economically inactive people aged from 16 to 64, down 4,000 from the previous quarter and down 13,000 from a year earlier.

Average total pay (including bonuses) was £494 per week in August 2015. Over the year total pay for employees in Great Britain increased by 3.0%. Average regular pay (excluding bonuses) was £463 per week in August 2015. Over the year regular pay for employees in Great Britain rose by 2.8%. Between August 2014 and August 2015, the Consumer Prices Index decreased by 0.1%.

There were 741,000 job vacancies in the three months to August 2015, 7,000 more than in the previous three months and 59,000 more than a year earlier.

There were 2.4 unemployed people per vacancy in the period from June to August 2015, down 0.1 on the quarter but down by 0.5 on the year.

In the three months to August 2015, 106,000 people became redundant in the three months prior to their Labour



Force Survey interview. This is down 13,000 from the previous three months but up 11,000 on the year. The redundancy rate was 4.0 per 1,000 employees, down 0.5 from the previous three months but up 0.4 from a year earlier.

The unadjusted claimant figure for the United Kingdom has decreased by 23,157 over the month to 685,456. The proportion unemployed calculated on the residence base now stands at 1.7% of the population aged 16-64.

The number of claimants in Nottinghamshire decreased by 585 between August and September 2015. The total of 15,173 is 4,169 less than it was a year ago (see figure 1).

The proportion unemployed in Nottinghamshire is now 2.1%. This is higher than the East Midlands (1.5%) and the United Kingdom (1.7%).

Between August and September 2015, unemployment decreased in all of the four Travel To Work Areas in the County (figure 2). Worksop & Retford and Mansfield experienced the largest decreases both with rates of change of -4.4%, followed by Lincoln with -3.3% and Nottingham with -3.1%.

Compared with August 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 change of -31.6% followed by Mansfield with -21.4%, Nottingham with -20.6% and Lincoln with -16.7%.

Unemployment decreased in all of the seven Local Authority Districts in the County over the month. The largest decreases were in Rushcliffe with -10.3%, Gedling with -7.7% and Broxtowe with -5.9%. Unemployment in the

Table 1: Claimant Count, September 2015

Area	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
UK seasonally adjusted	517,990	278,246	796,236	4,585	-159,755	2.5	1.4	1.9
United Kingdom	430,769	254,687	685,456	-23,157	-237,784	2.1	1.2	1.7
East Midlands	28,605	16,635	45,240	-1,701	-14,960	2.0	1.1	1.5
Notts County (a)	4,847	2,818	7,665	-403	-2,294	2.0	1.1	1.5
Nottm City (b)	5,013	2,495	7,508	-182	-1,875	4.5	2.3	3.4
Nottinghamshire (a+b)	9,860	5,313	15,173	-585	-4,169	2.7	1.5	2.1

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.

City of Nottingham decreased by 182 over the month resulting in a rate of change of -2.4%.

The rates of change have varied throughout the County over the year, from -32.8% in Bassetlaw to -13.2% in Newark & Sherwood. Nottingham City changed by -20.0% over the year.

Unemployment decreased in all of the eight Parliamentary Constituencies in the County during September.

Rushcliffe, Gedling and Ashfield recorded the largest increases, experiencing rates of change of -9.6%, -7.8% and -6.3% respectively. Over the month Nottingham East has changed by -3.4%, Nottingham North by -2.3% and Nottingham South by -0.9%.

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 -12.0% in Newark to -33.6% in Bassetlaw. The three Nottingham Constituencies have rates of change of -22.3% in Nottingham East, -17.6% in Nottingham North and -19.8% in Nottingham South.

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

Travel To Work Area	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Lincoln	2,551	1,332	3,883	-131	-780	2.5	1.3	1.9
Mansfield	2,191	1,297	3,488	-159	-950	2.4	1.4	1.9
Nottingham	7,865	4,136	12,001	-390	-3,115	2.9	1.5	2.2
Worksop & Retford	681	418	1,099	-51	-508	1.8	1.1	1.5

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, September 2015

District	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Ashfield	923	564	1,487	-73	-457	2.4	1.5	1.9
Bassetlaw	613	375	988	-53	-483	1.7	1.1	1.4
Broxtowe	569	370	939	-59	-233	1.6	1.1	1.3
Gedling	711	381	1,092	-91	-332	2.0	1.0	1.5
Mansfield	1,000	524	1,524	-35	-445	3.0	1.6	2.3
Newark & Sherwood	646	399	1,045	-24	-159	1.8	1.1	1.4
Nottingham**	5,013	2,495	7,508	-182	-1,875	4.5	2.3	3.4
Rushcliffe	385	205	590	-68	-185	1.1	0.6	0.8

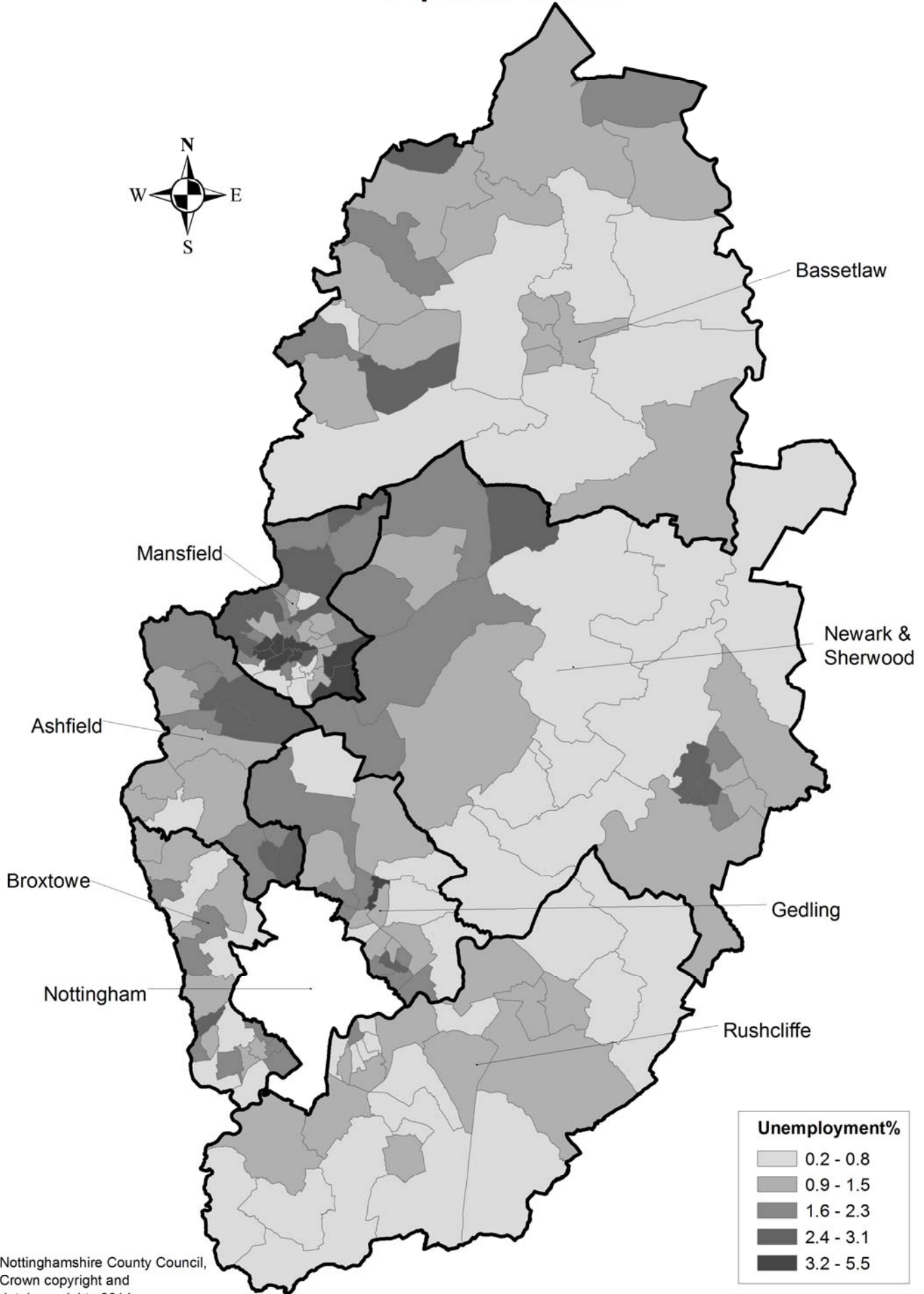
*Figures relating to the Unitary Authority of Nottingham City in tables 3 & 4 are shown in italics.

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

Constituency	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Ashfield	719	439	1,158	-78	-390	2.2	1.3	1.8
Bassetlaw	584	360	944	-54	-478	1.8	1.1	1.4
Broxtowe	466	302	768	-39	-205	1.5	1.0	1.3
Gedling	639	327	966	-82	-292	2.2	1.1	1.6
Mansfield	1,000	524	1,524	-35	-445	3.0	1.6	2.3
Newark	449	275	724	-21	-99	1.4	0.9	1.2
Nottingham East	2,035	891	2,926	-102	-838	5.4	2.6	4.0
Nottingham North	1,734	1,040	2,774	-64	-592	6.0	3.3	4.6
Nottingham South	1,244	564	1,808	-16	-445	2.8	1.4	2.2
Rushcliffe	338	179	517	-55	-159	1.1	0.6	0.9
Sherwood	652	412	1,064	-39	-226	2.2	1.4	1.8

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

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