



Employment Bulletin

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Unemployment according to the Government's preferred measure was 1.43 million in the three months to October 2017, down 26,000 from the previous three months and down 182,000 from the same period a year ago. The unemployment rate was 4.3%, down 0.1% from the previous three months and down 0.6% from a year earlier.

The unemployment rate for 18-24 year olds was 10.6% in the three months to October 2017, unchanged on the quarter and down 0.8% on the year. There were 416,000 unemployed young people aged from 18 to 24 in the quarter to October 2017. This is down 7,000 on the quarter and down by 45,000 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. 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 count figure for the United Kingdom increased by 5,944 last month to 817,464 and was up 28,953 over the year.

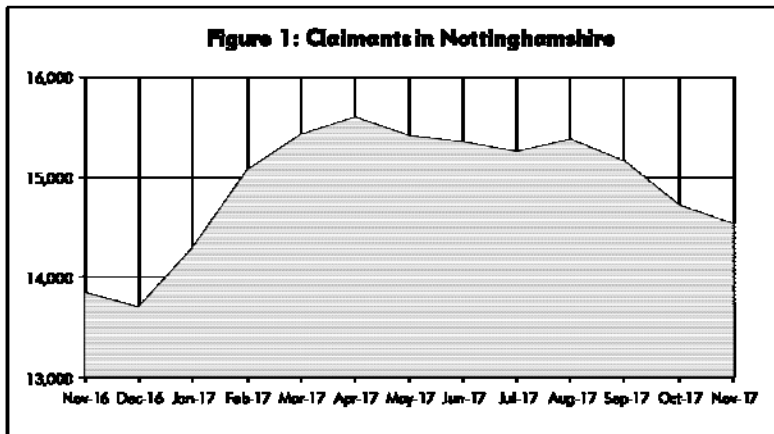
The number of people in employment aged 16 and over decreased by 56,000 over the quarter to reach 32.08 million. The employment rate for those aged 16 to 64 is now 75.1%.

The number of people in full-time employment decreased by 55,000 on the quarter to

Key Facts

- * **Claimant count in Nottinghamshire decreases by 205 over the month.**
- * **Jobless total now 14,525.**
- * **Claimant count rates in November (residence based);**
United Kingdom 1.9%
East Midlands 1.6%
Nottinghamshire 2.0%
County 1.5%
City 3.0%
- * **LFS Unemployment in the United Kingdom 1,430,000 or 4.3% of the workforce.**

Figure 1: Claimants in Nottinghamshire



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reach 23.54 million. The number of people in part-time employment was 8.54 million in the three months to October 2017, down 1,000 on the previous quarter and down 12,000 on the year.

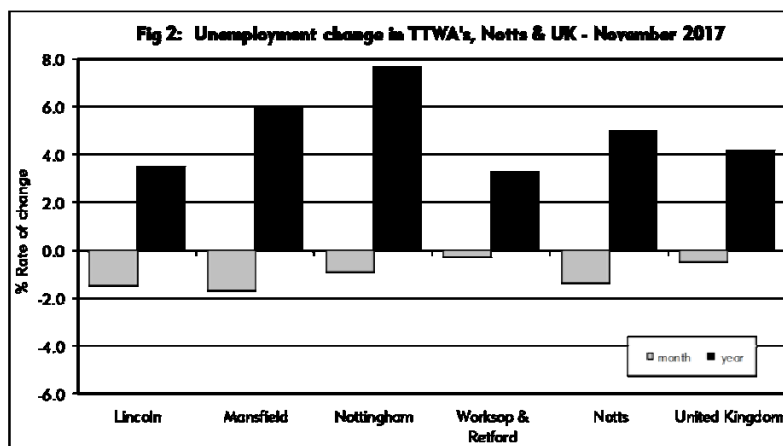
In the three months to October 2017, there were 8.86 million economically inactive people aged from 16 to 64, up 115,000 from the previous quarter but down 56,000 from a year earlier.

Average total pay (including bonuses) was £510 per week in October 2017. Over the year total pay for employees in Great Britain increased by 2.5%. Average regular pay (excluding bonuses) was £478 per week in October 2017. Over the year regular pay for employees in Great Britain rose by 2.3%. Between October 2016 and October 2017 there was a 2.8% increase in the Consumer Prices Index.

There were 798,000 job vacancies in the three months to November 2017, up 14,000 from the previous three months and up 45,000 from a year earlier.

There were 1.8 unemployed people per vacancy in the period from August to October 2017, down 0.1 on the quarter and down by 0.3 on the year.

In the three months to October 2017, 100,000 people



became redundant in the three months prior to their Labour Force Survey interview. This is down 11,000 from the previous three months and down 18,000 on the year. The redundancy rate was 3.7 per 1,000 employees, down 0.4 from the previous three months and down 0.7 from a year earlier.

The Employment Bulletin uses the Claimant Count rather than the count of JSA claimants. This experimental series counts the number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance plus those who claim Universal Credit and are required to seek work and be available for work. It replaces the number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance as the headline indicator of the number of people claiming benefits principally for the reason of being unemployed.

The unadjusted claimant count figure for the United

Kingdom has decreased by 4,130 over the month to 789,305. The proportion unemployed calculated on the residence base now stands at 1.9% of the population aged 16-64.

The number of claimants in Nottinghamshire decreased by 205 between October and November 2017. The total of 14,525 is 685 more than it was a year ago (see figure 1).

The proportion unemployed in Nottinghamshire is now 2.0%. This is higher than the East Midlands (1.6%) and the United Kingdom (1.9%).

Between October and November 2017, unemployment decreased in all of the four Travel To Work Areas in the County (figure 2). Mansfield experienced the largest decrease with a rate of change of -1.7%, followed by Lincoln with -1.5%, Nottingham with -0.9% and Worksop &

Table 1: Claimant Count, November 2017

Area	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
UK seasonally adjusted	506,669	310,795	817,464	5,944	28,953	2.5	1.5	2.0
United Kingdom	484,880	304,425	789,305	-4,130	31,980	2.3	1.5	1.9
East Midlands	28,470	17,545	46,010	-230	3,800	1.9	1.2	1.6
Notts County (a)	4,710	2,900	7,610	-100	415	1.9	1.2	1.5
Nottm City (b)	4,605	2,310	6,915	-105	270	4.0	2.1	3.0
Nottinghamshire (a+b)	9,315	5,210	14,525	-205	685	2.5	1.4	2.0

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.

Retford with -0.3%.

Compared with November 2016, all of the four TTWA's in the County have increased numbers of claimants. The largest change has been in Nottingham with a rate of change of 7.7% followed by Mansfield with 6.0%, Lincoln with 3.5% and Worksop & Retford with 3.3%.

Unemployment decreased in six of the seven Local Authority Districts in the County over the month. The largest decreases were in Broxtowe with -3.5%, Newark & Sherwood with -1.9% and Ashfield with -1.8%. Rushcliffe

experienced increased numbers of claimants over the month resulting in a rate of change of 3.1%.

Unemployment in the City of Nottingham decreased by 105 over the month resulting in a rate of change of -1.5%.

The rates of change have varied throughout the County over the year, from 0.1% in Gedling to 10.8% in Newark & Sherwood. Nottingham City changed by 4.1% over the year.

Unemployment decreased in seven of the eight Parliamentary Constituencies in the County during November.

Broxtowe, Sherwood and Newark recorded the largest decreases, experiencing rates of change of -5.0%, -2.3% and -1.7% respectively. Over the month Nottingham East has changed by -1.4%, Nottingham North by -1.8% and Nottingham South by -1.3%.

Over the year the rates of change range from 0.2 in Ashfield to 12.3% in Rushcliffe. The three Nottingham Constituencies have rates of change of 5.6% in Nottingham East, 2.6% in Nottingham North and 4.0% in Nottingham South.

Table 2: Claimant Count by Travel To Work Areas in Nottinghamshire, November 2017

Travel To Work Area	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Lincoln	2,490	1,310	3,800	-55	125	2.3	1.2	1.7
Mansfield	1,970	1,230	3,200	-55	180	2.1	1.3	1.7
Nottingham	7,680	4,195	11,875	-100	845	2.8	1.6	2.2
Worksop & Retford	715	510	1,225	-5	40	1.9	1.4	1.7

Table 3: Claimant Count by Local Authority Districts in Nottinghamshire, November 2017

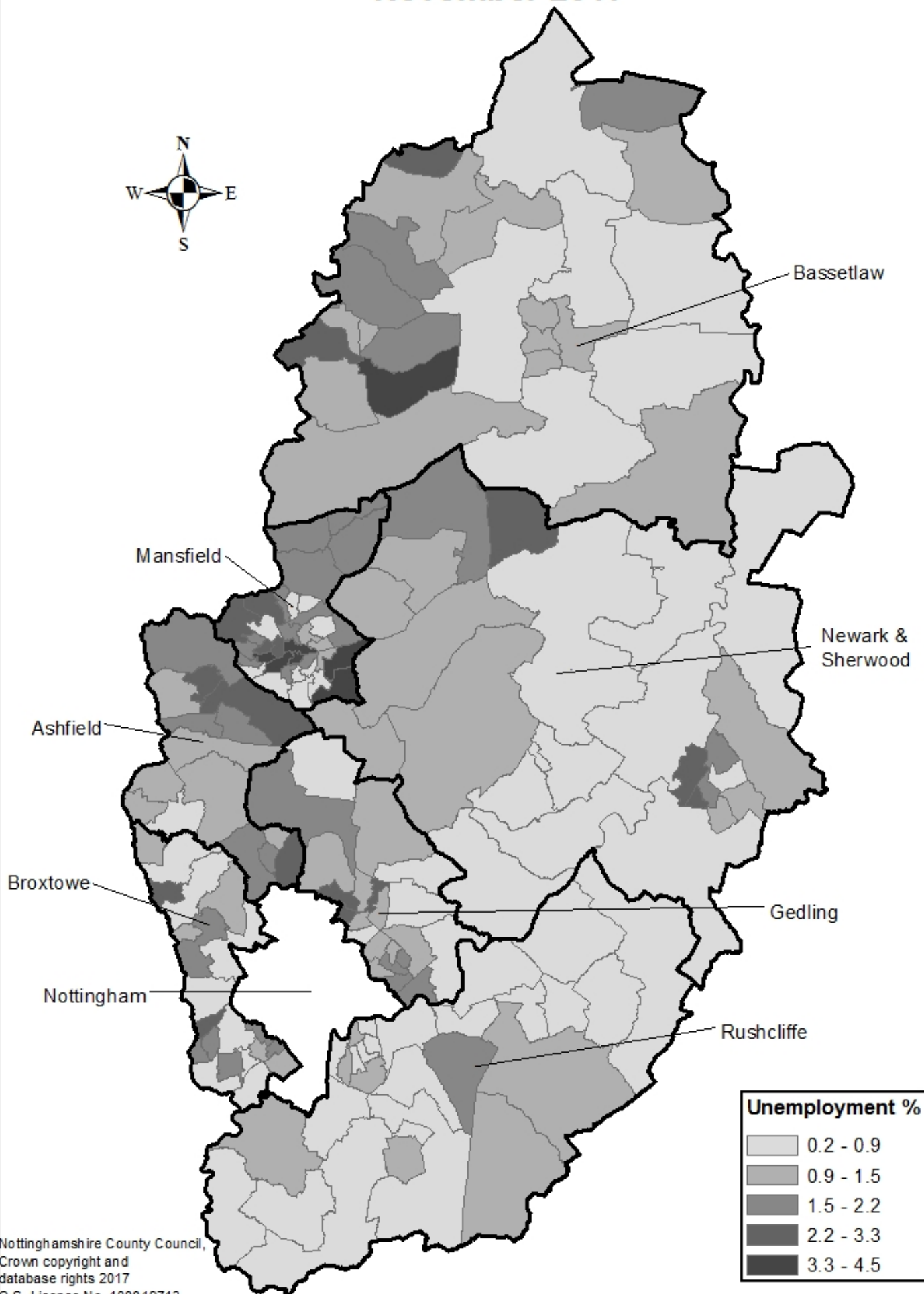
District	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Ashfield	900	540	1,440	-25	35	2.3	1.4	1.9
Bassetlaw	675	465	1,135	-5	35	1.9	1.3	1.6
Broxtowe	635	395	1,030	-35	70	1.8	1.1	1.5
Gedling	675	395	1,070	-10	0	1.9	1.1	1.5
Mansfield	850	480	1,335	-20	120	2.5	1.4	2.0
Newark & Sherwood	550	410	960	-20	95	1.5	1.1	1.3
<i>Nottingham**</i>	<i>4,605</i>	<i>2,310</i>	<i>6,915</i>	<i>-105</i>	<i>270</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>3.0</i>
Rushcliffe	420	215	635	20	60	1.2	0.6	0.9

*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, November 2017

Constituency	No. of Claimants			Change over		Claimant Count Rate		
	Male	Female	Total	Month	Year	Male	Female	Total
Ashfield	705	460	1,165	-10	0	2.2	1.4	1.8
Bassetlaw	645	450	1,095	-5	35	2.0	1.4	1.7
Broxtowe	545	315	860	-45	65	1.8	1.0	1.4
Gedling	610	350	955	-10	25	2.1	1.2	1.6
Mansfield	850	480	1,335	-20	120	2.5	1.4	2.0
Newark	410	290	700	-10	55	1.3	0.9	1.1
<i>Nottingham East</i>	<i>1,895</i>	<i>770</i>	<i>2,665</i>	<i>-40</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>4.8</i>	<i>2.1</i>	<i>3.5</i>
<i>Nottingham North</i>	<i>1,570</i>	<i>980</i>	<i>2,550</i>	<i>-45</i>	<i>65</i>	<i>5.4</i>	<i>3.0</i>	<i>4.1</i>
<i>Nottingham South</i>	<i>1,145</i>	<i>555</i>	<i>1,700</i>	<i>-20</i>	<i>65</i>	<i>2.5</i>	<i>1.4</i>	<i>2.0</i>
Rushcliffe	375	195	570	25	60	1.3	0.6	0.9
Sherwood	570	365	935	-20	50	1.9	1.2	1.6

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