



JSA Claimants: December 2011

City**	Change in JSA claimant count rate* Feb 08-Dec 11***	Change in number of JSA claimants Feb 08-Dec 11***	Claimant count rate % Dec 2011	Total JSA claimants Dec 2011	Claimants per live unfilled JCP vacancy Dec 2011
Cities with the highest % point increase in JSA claimants					
Hull	3.6	6,690	8.2%	14,750	16.3
Grimsby	3.3	3,250	6.8%	6,770	14.0
Belfast	2.8	12,110	5.1%	21,770	N/A
Bradford	2.8	9,340	5.7%	18,580	10.7
Hastings	2.7	1,480	6.1%	3,360	10.4
Rochdale	2.6	3,470	5.7%	7,480	8.5
Birmingham	2.6	39,700	6.8%	101,470	7.9
Middlesbrough	2.6	8,020	6.3%	19,350	12.5
Derby	2.5	4,110	5.0%	8,070	7.6
Doncaster	2.5	4,610	5.3%	9,840	6.4

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Cities with the lowest % point increase in JSA claimants					
Norwich	1.3	2,370	3.3%	5,890	4.7
Southampton	1.3	3,230	3.0%	7,390	4.0
Reading	1.3	3,750	2.3%	6,730	3.1
Preston	1.2	2,630	3.0%	6,790	3.5
Brighton	1.1	2,610	3.5%	7,540	6.7
Aberdeen	1.1	1,700	2.2%	3,390	2.0
Swansea	1.1	1,640	3.2%	4,790	2.5
Oxford	1.0	1,260	2.4%	2,730	1.7
York	1.0	1,500	2.4%	3,360	3.9
Cambridge	0.4	460	1.8%	1,680	1.5
Great Britain	1.7	685,438	3.9%	1,509,736	5.6

*Percentage Point change

**We have used data for Primary Urban Areas (PUA) – a measure of the ‘built-up’ area of a city, rather than individual local authority districts.

***February 2008 – the lowest point on the UK claimant count series – is used here as the initial measurement point to take into account the extended duration of the recession.

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