



JSA Claimants: May 2009

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Cities with the highest % point increase in JSA claimants

Swindon	3.8%	4,609	5.4%	6,535	12.2
Hull	3.4%	5,678	8.2%	13,740	24.2
Sunderland	2.9%	5,158	6.4%	11,203	7.4
Northampton	2.9%	3,789	5.2%	6,868	6.7
Barnsley	2.8%	3,932	5.4%	7,509	13.9
Doncaster	2.8%	5,037	5.8%	10,274	16.1
Milton Keynes	2.7%	4,101	4.9%	7,286	6.4
Birmingham	2.7%	37,731	7.1%	99,501	12.8
Telford	2.6%	2,653	4.8%	4,848	6.2
Gloucester	2.6%	1,827	4.6%	3,273	4.4

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Cities with the lowest % point increase in JSA claimants

Portsmouth	1.7%	5,289	3.5%	10,844	7.6
Preston	1.7%	3,585	3.6%	7,749	4.5
London	1.6%	94,626	4.1%	236,340	10.3
York	1.5%	1,882	3.0%	3,742	2.8
Norwich	1.4%	2,334	3.6%	5,855	5.8
Blackpool	1.4%	2,660	3.7%	7,182	4.6
Oxford	1.4%	1,500	2.7%	2,974	3.8
Edinburgh	1.2%	3,958	3.0%	9,521	6.5
Cambridge	0.9%	765	2.3%	1,980	3.3
Aberdeen	0.9%	1,196	2.1%	2,887	2.0

*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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