

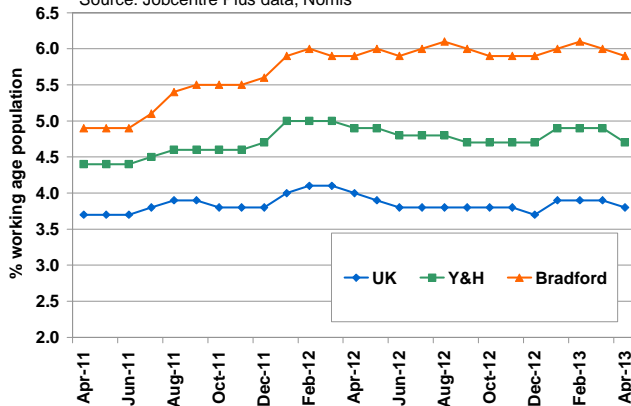
This briefing presents the latest Jobseekers Allowance (JSA) claimant figures for Bradford district, using April 2013 claimant data published on Wednesday 15 May 2013.

- In April 2013, the claimant count in Bradford district was 19,624, a fall of 393 over the month.
- This represents a monthly fall of 2.0%, slightly lower than the 2.3% decrease seen across the Leeds city region and a 2.9% fall nationally. Over the 12 months to April 2013 Bradford's claimant numbers are up by 1.0% compared to a fall of 4.8% nationally.
- Bradford's claimant rate is 5.9% of the population aged 16-64, above the city region (4.6%) and national (3.8%) averages.

Area	April 2013		Monthly Change (Mar 13 - Apr 13)		Annual Change (Apr 12 - Apr 13)	
	Number	Rate	Number	%	Number	%
Bradford	19,624	5.9	-393	-2.0	194	1.0
Leeds City Region	87,857	4.6	-2,088	-2.3	-1,466	-1.6
Yorkshire & Humber	161,455	4.7	-4,312	-2.6	-4,564	-2.7
United Kingdom	1,538,576	3.8	-45,892	-2.9	-78,273	-4.8

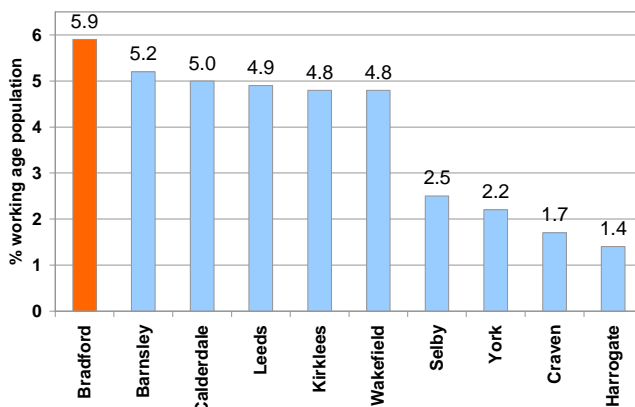
Claimant Rate Trends

Source: Jobcentre Plus data, Nomis



Claimant Rates in Leeds City Region Districts - Apr 2013

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Youth unemployment

- In March 2013 there were 5,420 18-24 year olds claiming JSA in Bradford, down by 295 over the month.
- The youth claimant rate is 10.9% compared to 6.8% nationally.

Long term unemployment

- 6,230 claimants have been claiming for more than 12 months and are classed as long term claimants.
- Long term claimants continue to rise and account for 31.8% of the total compared to only 22.9% in April 2012.

Latest national unemployment figures

The Labour Force Survey measures total unemployment for the UK. Figures for the three months to March 2013 show:

- The unemployment rate for January 2013 to March 2013 was 7.8% of the economically active population, up 0.1 percentage points from October to December 2012.
- There were 2.52 million unemployed people, up 15,000 from October to December 2012.

More national labour market information can be found on the Office for National Statistics website:

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/lms/labour-market-statistics/may-2013/statistical-bulletin.html>

Notes:

- The claimant count measure of unemployment is a measure of all people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA).
- The figures in this bulletin are **not** seasonally adjusted (they are not adjusted to flatten out any seasonal patterns of claims). Unemployment figures quoted in the press are generally seasonally adjusted figures; therefore the UK numbers presented here may differ from those quoted externally.
- Rates are calculated using mid-year population estimates for 16-64 year olds.

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