

This briefing presents the latest Jobseekers Allowance (JSA) claimant figures for Bradford district, using May 2013 claimant data published on Wednesday 12 June 2013.

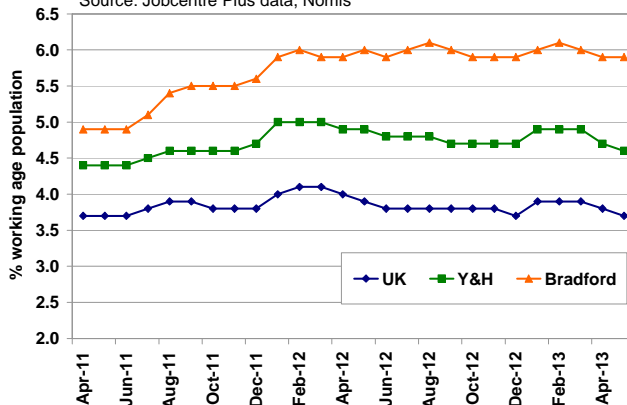
- In May 2013, the claimant count in Bradford district was 19,416, a fall of 208 over the month.
- This represents a monthly fall of 1.1%, lower than the 1.5% fall seen across the Leeds city region and a 2.8% fall nationally. Over the 12 months to May 2013 Bradford's claimant numbers are down by 1.4% compared to a decrease of 6.0% nationally.
- Bradford's claimant rate is 5.9% of the population aged 16-64, above the city region (4.5%) and national (3.7%) averages.

Area	May 2013		Monthly Change (Apr 13 - May 13)		Annual Change (May 12 - May 13)	
	Number	Rate (%)	Number	%	Number	%
Bradford	19,416	5.9	-208	-1.1	-279	-1.4
Leeds City Region	86,579	4.5	-1,278	-1.5	-2,650	-3.0
Yorkshire & Humber	157,887	4.6	-3,568	-2.2	-7,712	-4.7
United Kingdom	1,495,758	3.7	-42,818	-2.8	-94,950	-6.0

Source: Jobcentre Plus data, Nomis

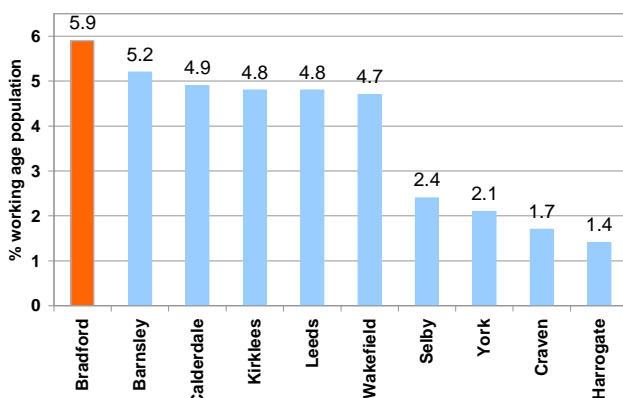
Claimant Rate Trends

Source: Jobcentre Plus data, Nomis



Claimant Rates in Leeds City Region Districts - May 2013

Source: Jobcentre Plus data, Nomis



Youth unemployment

- In April 2013 there were 5,390 18-24 year olds claiming JSA in Bradford, down by 30 over the month.
- The youth claimant rate is 10.9% compared to 6.5% nationally.

Long term unemployment

- 6,340 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 32.7% of the total compared to only 23.6% in May 2012.

Latest national unemployment figures

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

- The unemployment rate for February 2013 to April 2013 was 7.8% of the economically active population, unchanged from the previous quarter.
- There were 2.51 million unemployed people, down 5,000 from November 2012 to January 2013.

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/june-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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