

## Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) Statistics: June 2021<sup>1</sup>

### Key points

- In total, the Midlands Engine area had 462,600 employments furloughed on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021<sup>2</sup>. This was 10.6% of eligible employments for the scheme compared to the UK average of 11.7%.
- When compared to the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, the number of employments furloughed in the Midlands Engine area decreased by 115,000 people (-19.9%). The UK decreased by 20.5% over the same period.
- The latest provisional figures shows that the West Midlands region had 270,500 employments furloughed and the East Midlands region had 215,200 employments furloughed as of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Compared to the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, the West Midlands region decreased by 19.1% (-63,800 employments furloughed), while the East Midlands decreased by 21.3% (58,300 employments furloughed), and the UK decreased by 20.5% over the same period.
- Accommodation and food services had the highest number of employments furloughed in the Midlands Engine as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, with 115,040 people. Agriculture, Mining, Energy, Water and waste had the least employments furloughed at 4,090 people.
- Provisional national figures show the number of employments on furlough in April 2021 decreased across all age bands. For employments where the employee was aged 25 to 34, the number of employments on furlough was 943,400 across the UK at 31<sup>st</sup> March. Provisional figures show that this figure dropped to 751,000 at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
- Across all employer sizes, the number of employments on furlough in the UK has decreased throughout February, March and April 2021.

### Full Briefing

- This briefing reports on the twelfth release of Official Statistics on the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS), commonly known as furlough. This release provides analysis of claims for periods up to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The data used includes claims submitted to HMRC by 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

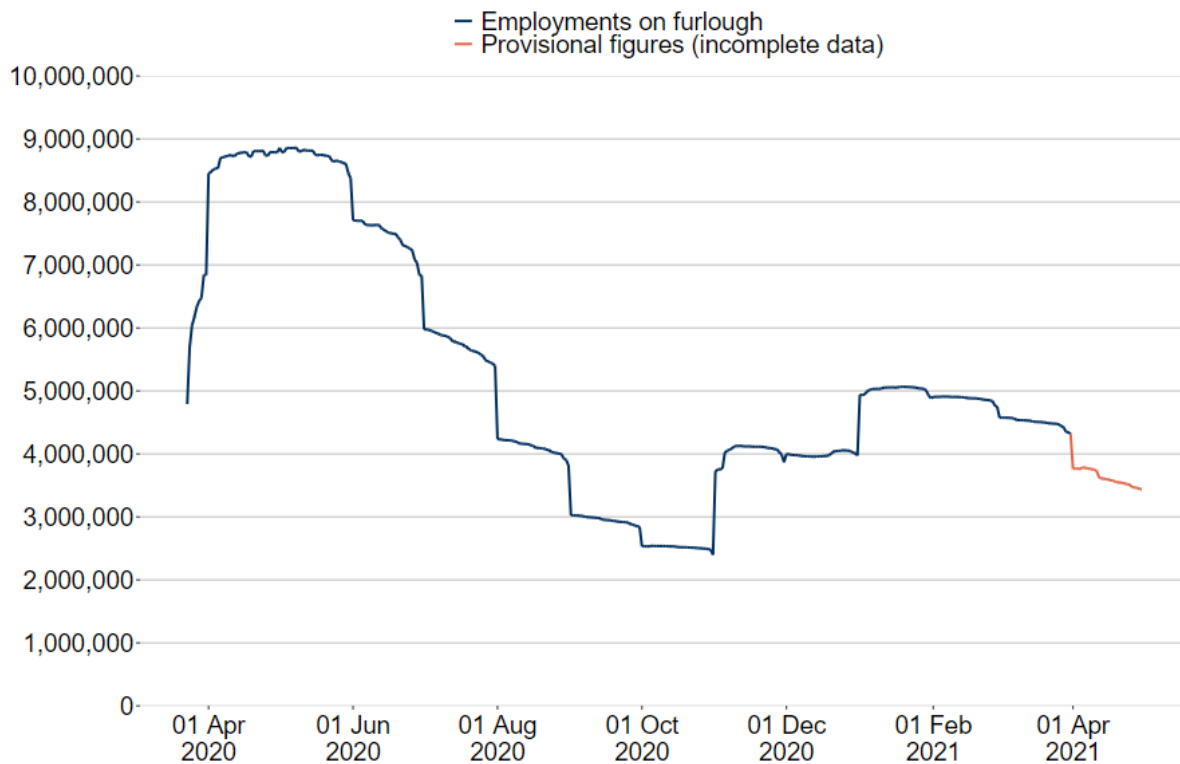
### Furloughed Employments Over Time – UK, West Midlands and East Midlands Regions

- For the UK, the number of employments on furlough peaked at 8.9 million on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020. This fell to 2.4 million at 31<sup>st</sup> October and then rose again to 4.9 million employments on furlough at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021. The latest provisional figures show there has been a decrease in levels of furlough between March and April 2021 with 3.4 million on furlough at 30<sup>th</sup> April.

<sup>1</sup> Source: HMRC, Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme statistics: June 2021. Please note, the data for April 2021 is not yet fully complete as while claims relating to April 2021 should have been filed by 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021, employers could file claims later with the agreement of HMRC if they had a reasonable excuse. Claims for April 2021 can also be amended until 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Together, these factors are likely to have a small effect on the statistics.

<sup>2</sup> 1,733,700 individuals in the Midlands Engine area have been furloughed at some point, 462,600 remain furloughed as of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

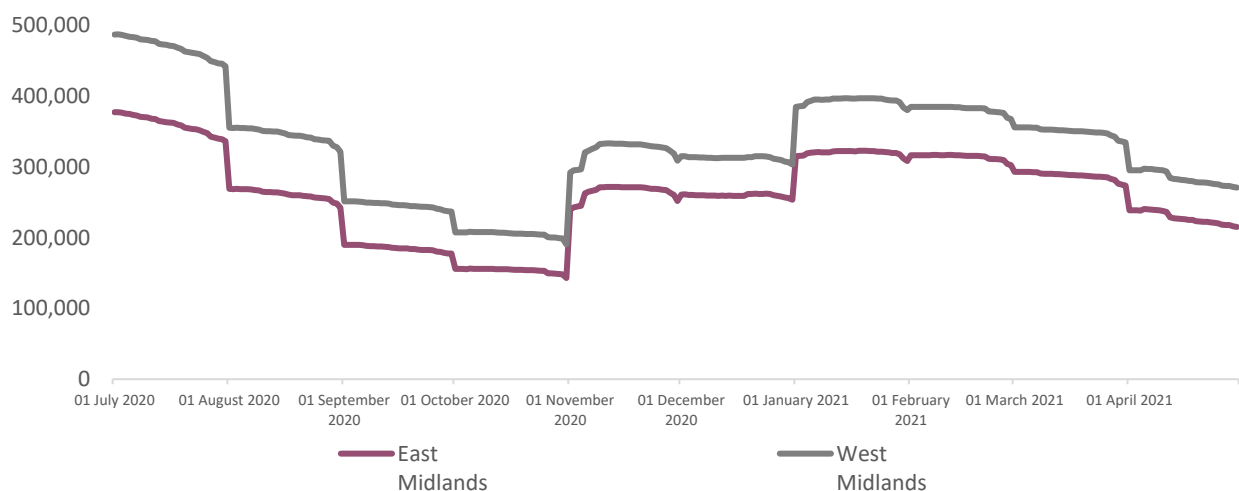
**The following chart shows the total number of employments furloughed in the UK between 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021:**



Source: HMRC CJRS data

- The latest provisional figures shows that the West Midlands region had 270,500 employments furloughed and the East Midlands region had 215,200 employments furloughed as of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
- Compared to the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, the West Midlands region decreased by 19.1% (-63,800 employments furloughed), while the East Midlands decreased by 21.3% (58,300 employments furloughed), and the UK decreased by 20.5% over the same period.

**The following chart shows for the East Midlands and West Midlands Regions the number of employments furloughed between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021:**

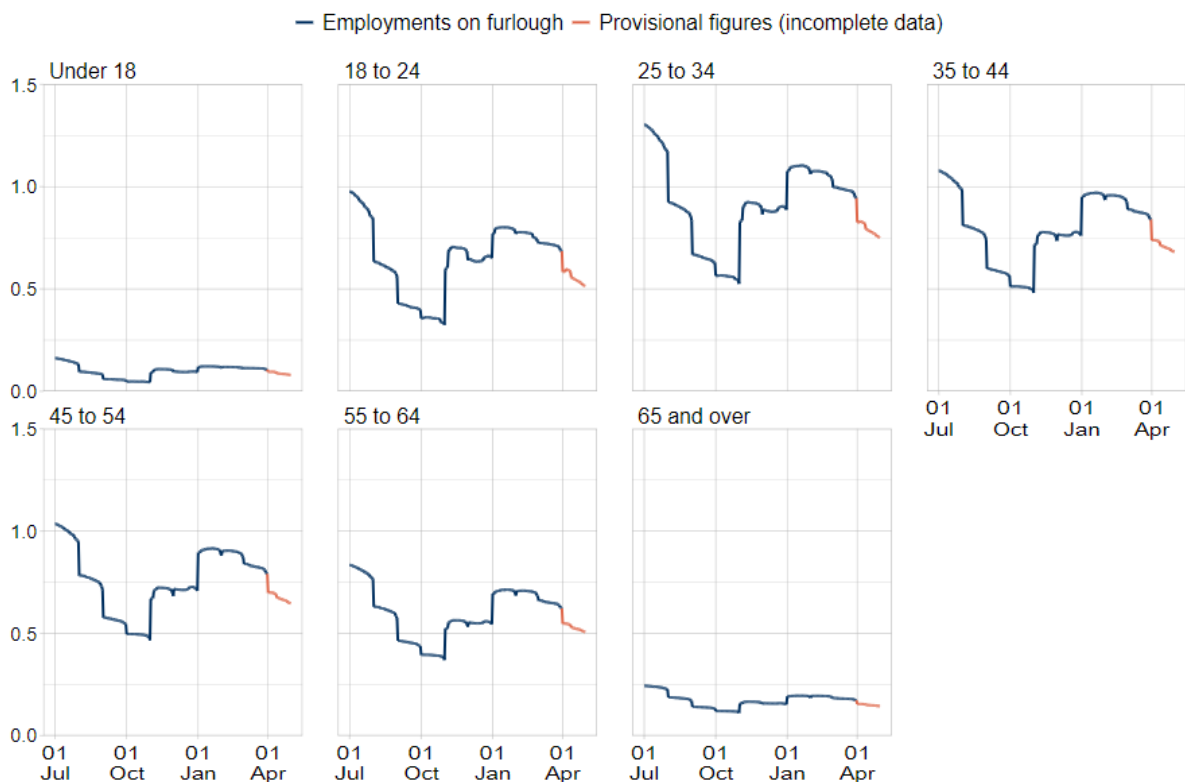


- Of the 270,500 employments furloughed in the West Midlands region on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, 153,700 were fully furloughed and 116,800 were partially furloughed. For the East Midlands, of the 215,200 employments furloughed 122,300 are fully furloughed and 93,000 are partially furloughed.

**Employments Furloughed Over Time by Age - UK**

- Across most age bands the number of employments on furlough decreased between January and February. The 65 and over age band was an exception, where levels of furlough remained broadly consistent throughout February 2021. Employments on furlough across all age bands continued to decrease between February through to March.
- Provisional figures show the number of employments on furlough in April 2021 decreased across all age bands. For employments where the employee was aged 25 to 34, the number of employments on furlough was 943,400 at 31<sup>st</sup> March. Provisional figures show that this figure dropped to 751,000 at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
- The number of employments on furlough with employees in the 18 to 24 age band was 684,700 at 31<sup>st</sup> March. At 30<sup>th</sup> April, provisional figures show that 514,400 employments were on furlough in the 18-24 age band, a decrease of almost 50,000 people.
- Where the employee was 65 or over, the number of employments on furlough was 172,600 at 31<sup>st</sup> March. Provisional estimates show that the number of employments on furlough decreased in April to 144,000 by 30<sup>th</sup> April.

**The following chart shows the number employments furloughed (in millions) for the UK by the age of the employee per day between the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021:**



Source: HMRC CJRS and PAYE Real Time Information data

### Furloughing by Employer Size – UK

- Across all employer sizes, the number of employments on furlough has decreased throughout February, March and April 2021.
- The largest reduction is for employers with 250 or more employees where the number of employments on furlough decreased by 414,800 from 1.40 million employments at 31 March 2021 to a provisional estimate of 985,400 at 30 April 2021.
- Employers with 20 to 49 employments had 572,200 employments on furlough at 31 March 2021. Provisional estimates show that the number of employments on furlough decreased through April to 474,300 at 30 April 2021.
- Employers with one employment had 182,700 employments on furlough at 31 March 2021. Provisional figures show that this decreased in April to 160,200 employments on furlough at 30 April 2021.

### Employments Furloughed by Gender – Midlands Engine

- In total, the latest provisional figures show that Midlands Engine area had 462,600 employments furloughed on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021. This was 10.6% of eligible employments for the scheme compared to the UK average of 11.7%.
- When compared to the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021, the number of employments furloughed in the Midlands Engine area decreased by 115,000 people (-19.9%). The UK decreased by 20.5% over the same period.
- As of the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, the take up rate of females and males were both at 10.9%, lower than the UK which had 11.4% for each respectively.
- Overall, the local authorities with the highest percentage of workers furloughed were Derbyshire Dales and East Lindsey at 13.7%, followed by Lichfield at 13.0%.
- The local authorities with the highest percentage of females furloughed was Derbyshire Dales at 15.4%, followed by Stratford-on-Avon at 14.2% and then East Lindsey at 14.1%.
- The local authorities with the highest percentage of male employments furloughed was Derbyshire Dales at 15.4%, followed by Stratford-on-Avon (14.2%) and East Lindsey (14.1%).

**Further details by local authority within the Midlands Engine area can be seen in a table in the appendix.**

### Sectors – Midlands Engine

- Accommodation and food services had the highest number of employments furloughed in the Midlands Engine as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, with 115,040 people. Agriculture, Mining, Energy, Water and waste had the least employments furloughed at 4,090 people.
- All sectors saw a decrease in employments furloughed between 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 and 30<sup>th</sup> April, with the highest decrease in wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles by 36,040 (to 84,070 furloughed) down to of public administration and defence; social security, households & other by 1,270 (to 4,090 furloughed).

**The following table shows the total employments furloughed by sector for the Midlands Engine and the change since the previous month as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021:**

	Mar-21	Apr-21	Change	% Change
Agriculture, forestry and fishing, Mining and quarrying, Energy production and supply & Water supply, sewerage and waste	5,360	4,090	-1,270	-23.7%
Manufacturing	57,620	53,560	-4,060	-7.0%
Construction	25,540	21,610	-3,930	-15.4%
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles	120,110	84,070	-36,040	-30.0%
Transportation and storage	21,560	19,730	-1,830	-8.5%
Accommodation and food services	133,410	115,040	-18,370	-13.8%
Information and communication, Financial and insurance & Real estate	22,050	18,970	-3,080	-14.0%
Professional and scientific and technical	32,130	27,640	-4,490	-14.0%
Administrative and support services	42,150	34,260	-7,890	-18.7%
Education	19,670	12,200	-7,470	-38.0%
Health and social work	22,040	16,290	-5,750	-26.1%
Arts, entertainment and recreation	38,230	29,210	-9,020	-23.6%
Other service activities	29,590	20,990	-8,600	-29.1%
Public administration and defence; social security, Households & Other	8,420	5,520	-2,900	-34.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>577,880</b>	<b>463,180</b>	<b>-114,700</b>	<b>-19.8%</b>

### Appendix – Employment Furloughed by Gender in the Midlands Engine Area on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021:

	Female			Male			Total		
	Female employments furloughed	Female eligible employments	Female take up-rate	Male employments furloughed	Male eligible employments	Male take up-rate	Total employments furloughed	Total eligible employments	Total take up-rate
Amber Valley	27,800	3,000	10.8%	27,700	2,500	10.8%	55,500	5,500	9.9%
Ashfield	27,900	2,700	9.7%	27,600	2,500	9.7%	55,400	5,200	9.4%
Bassetlaw	25,800	2,700	10.5%	26,000	2,300	10.5%	51,800	5,000	9.7%
Birmingham	205,900	23,400	11.4%	217,300	29,400	11.4%	423,300	52,800	12.5%
Blaby	24,200	2,600	10.7%	22,800	2,400	10.7%	47,000	5,000	10.6%
Bolsover	18,100	1,700	9.4%	17,900	1,500	9.4%	36,000	3,100	8.6%
Boston	16,400	1,200	7.3%	17,200	1,100	7.3%	33,600	2,300	6.8%
Bromsgrove	22,300	2,400	10.8%	21,000	2,200	10.8%	43,300	4,700	10.9%
Broxtowe	24,100	2,200	9.1%	23,800	2,200	9.1%	47,900	4,500	9.4%
Cannock Chase	22,600	2,700	11.9%	22,400	2,300	11.9%	45,000	5,000	11.1%
Charnwood	39,300	4,500	11.5%	38,900	4,000	11.5%	78,200	8,500	10.9%
Chesterfield	22,900	2,100	9.2%	22,300	2,200	9.2%	45,200	4,300	9.5%
Coventry	72,800	7,200	9.9%	76,200	7,900	9.9%	149,000	15,100	10.1%
Derby UA	54,900	5,300	9.7%	57,500	5,500	9.7%	112,400	10,800	9.6%
Derbyshire Dales	14,900	2,300	15.4%	14,200	1,700	15.4%	29,100	4,000	13.7%
Dudley	67,400	7,000	10.4%	66,500	7,500	10.4%	133,900	14,500	10.8%
East Lindsey	24,800	3,500	14.1%	24,900	3,200	14.1%	49,800	6,800	13.7%
East Staffordshire	27,500	3,000	10.9%	29,000	2,600	10.9%	56,500	5,600	9.9%
Erewash	26,100	2,800	10.7%	25,600	2,500	10.7%	51,600	5,400	10.5%
Gedling	26,900	2,700	10.0%	24,900	2,500	10.0%	51,800	5,200	10.0%
Harborough	21,500	2,600	12.1%	20,700	2,000	12.1%	42,200	4,700	11.1%
Herefordshire, County of (UA)	39,800	4,500	11.3%	37,600	3,400	11.3%	77,400	7,900	10.2%
High Peak	21,200	2,600	12.3%	19,900	2,300	12.3%	41,100	4,800	11.7%
Hinckley and Bosworth	25,800	2,800	10.9%	25,700	2,500	10.9%	51,500	5,300	10.3%
Leicester UA	72,600	8,500	11.7%	81,100	9,900	11.7%	153,700	18,400	12.0%
Lichfield	23,000	2,800	12.2%	22,700	2,400	12.2%	45,700	5,200	11.4%
Lincoln	21,300	2,200	10.3%	21,800	1,900	10.3%	43,100	4,100	9.5%
Malvern Hills	15,700	1,900	12.1%	14,900	1,600	12.1%	30,600	3,500	11.4%
Mansfield	24,800	2,600	10.5%	24,600	2,300	10.5%	49,400	4,900	9.9%
Melton	11,800	1,400	11.9%	11,500	1,100	11.9%	23,300	2,500	10.7%
Newark and Sherwood	26,600	3,100	11.7%	26,400	2,400	11.7%	53,000	5,500	10.4%
Newcastle-under-Lyme	26,800	2,600	9.7%	26,100	2,400	9.7%	52,900	5,000	9.5%
North East Derbyshire	22,100	2,400	10.9%	21,000	2,100	10.9%	43,100	4,400	10.2%
North East Lincolnshire UA	33,100	3,500	10.6%	34,400	2,800	10.6%	67,500	6,300	9.3%
North Kesteven	25,500	2,200	8.6%	25,200	1,800	8.6%	50,700	4,000	7.9%
North Lincolnshire UA	35,100	3,600	10.3%	37,700	3,000	10.3%	72,800	6,600	9.1%
North Warwickshire	15,000	1,700	11.3%	14,600	1,500	11.3%	29,600	3,300	11.1%
North West Leicestershire	23,700	2,500	10.5%	24,100	2,000	10.5%	47,800	4,500	9.4%
Nottingham UA	62,300	6,600	10.6%	62,600	6,800	10.6%	125,000	13,400	10.7%
Nuneaton and Bedworth	30,300	3,000	9.9%	30,500	2,900	9.9%	60,800	5,900	9.7%
Oadby and Wigston	12,600	1,500	11.9%	12,100	1,400	11.9%	24,700	2,900	11.7%
Redditch	20,500	2,200	10.7%	20,100	2,100	10.7%	40,700	4,300	10.6%
Rugby	26,400	2,400	9.1%	28,100	2,300	9.1%	54,500	4,700	8.6%
Rushcliffe	26,000	2,600	10.0%	24,900	2,300	10.0%	51,000	4,900	9.6%
Rutland UA	7,800	1,000	12.8%	7,800	700	12.8%	15,600	1,700	10.9%
Sandwell	67,300	7,300	10.8%	68,600	8,200	10.8%	135,900	15,500	11.4%
Shropshire UA	66,600	8,000	12.0%	63,200	6,300	12.0%	129,800	14,400	11.1%
Solihull	47,100	5,800	12.3%	46,500	5,200	12.3%	93,600	11,000	11.8%
South Derbyshire	25,000	2,600	10.4%	25,100	2,100	10.4%	50,100	4,700	9.4%
South Holland	20,200	1,700	8.4%	21,200	1,400	8.4%	41,400	3,100	7.5%
South Kesteven	31,600	3,600	11.4%	31,200	2,900	11.4%	62,800	6,500	10.4%
South Staffordshire	23,900	2,900	12.1%	22,700	2,400	12.1%	46,700	5,300	11.3%
Stafford	30,100	3,100	10.3%	30,200	2,500	10.3%	60,300	5,700	9.5%
Staffordshire Moorlands	20,800	2,500	12.0%	19,900	1,900	12.0%	40,700	4,400	10.8%
Stoke-on-Trent UA	52,800	5,000	9.5%	55,200	5,200	9.5%	108,000	10,200	9.4%
Stratford-on-Avon	29,500	4,200	14.2%	29,000	3,500	14.2%	58,500	7,600	13.0%
Tamworth	18,200	2,200	12.1%	18,600	1,900	12.1%	36,800	4,200	11.4%
Telford and Wrekin UA	39,500	3,800	9.6%	40,400	3,600	9.6%	79,900	7,300	9.1%
Walsall	55,900	6,300	11.3%	57,200	6,500	11.3%	113,100	12,800	11.3%
Warwick	32,800	3,800	11.6%	34,100	3,400	11.6%	66,900	7,200	10.8%

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West Lindsey	19,000	1,900	10.0%	19,100	1,500	10.0%	38,200	3,300	8.6%
Wolverhampton	54,700	5,300	9.7%	54,600	5,700	9.7%	109,300	11,000	10.1%
Worcester	25,100	2,600	10.4%	24,400	2,700	10.4%	49,500	5,300	10.7%
Wychavon	29,100	3,500	12.0%	28,200	2,900	12.0%	57,300	6,300	11.0%
Wyre Forest	21,300	2,500	11.7%	20,400	2,300	11.7%	41,700	4,800	11.5%
<b>East Midlands</b>	<b>1,060,700</b>	<b>112,700</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	<b>1,063,200</b>	<b>102,600</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	<b>2,123,900</b>	<b>215,200</b>	<b>10.1%</b>
<b>West Midlands</b>	<b>1,230,800</b>	<b>135,800</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>1,240,300</b>	<b>134,800</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>2,471,100</b>	<b>270,500</b>	<b>10.9%</b>
<b>Midlands Engine</b>	<b>2,174,400</b>	<b>236,400</b>	<b>10.9%</b>	<b>2,189,600</b>	<b>226,000</b>	<b>10.9%</b>	<b>4,364,500</b>	<b>462,600</b>	<b>10.6%</b>
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>14,734,000</b>	<b>1,684,800</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>14,534,100</b>	<b>1,638,000</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>29,268,000</b>	<b>3,435,400</b>	<b>11.7%</b>