

Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) Statistics: September 2021

Key points: Midlands Engine

- In total, the latest provisional figures show that Midlands Engine area had 226,800 employments furloughed on the 31st July 2021. This was 5.3% of eligible employments for the scheme compared to UK-wide of 5.4%.
- When compared to 30th June 2021, the Midlands Engine area had 40,300 fewer employments furloughed (-15.1%, UK: -17.8%).
- As of the 31st July 2021 for the Midlands Engine, the take up rate for males was 5.7% (matching the UK) and female take-up rate was 4.9% (UK 5.1%).
- When proportioning out furloughed workers by gender and by age bracket as a proportion of the total number of the selected gender of workers, the Midlands Engine area had a lower proportion of female workers aged 25-49 years old on furlough at 51.7% when compared to UK-wide proportions at 54.4%. The Midlands Engine area had a lower proportion of male workers aged 25-49 years old furloughed at 52.9% when compared to UK-wide proportions at 54.4%.
- The manufacturing sector had the highest number of employments furloughed in the Midlands Engine on the 31st July with 38,130 people.

Key points: UK-wide

- Latest UK figures show that there were 484,000 employers with 1.6 million staff on furlough on 31 July 2021. This is a decrease of 340,000 jobs from 30 June where there were 1.9 million employments on furlough. Since the start of the scheme a total of 11.6 million jobs have been put on furlough for at least part of the duration of the scheme.
- For all age bands the number of employments on furlough and the take-up rates decreased across February to July 2021. The largest reductions in the number of employments on furlough in June and July were for younger employees in the under 18, 18 to 24 and 25 to 34 age bands.
- The largest reduction is for employers with 250 or more employees where the number of employments on furlough decreased by 114,100 from 367,200 employments at 30th June 2021 to a provisional estimate of 253,100 at 31st July 2021.
- Provisional figures show for the UK that all sectors saw a reduction in levels of furlough between 30th June and 31st July. The arts, entertainment and recreation sector, and accommodation and food services sector had the highest take-up rate of all the sectors, with 15% of employments eligible for furlough on furlough at 31st July 2021.

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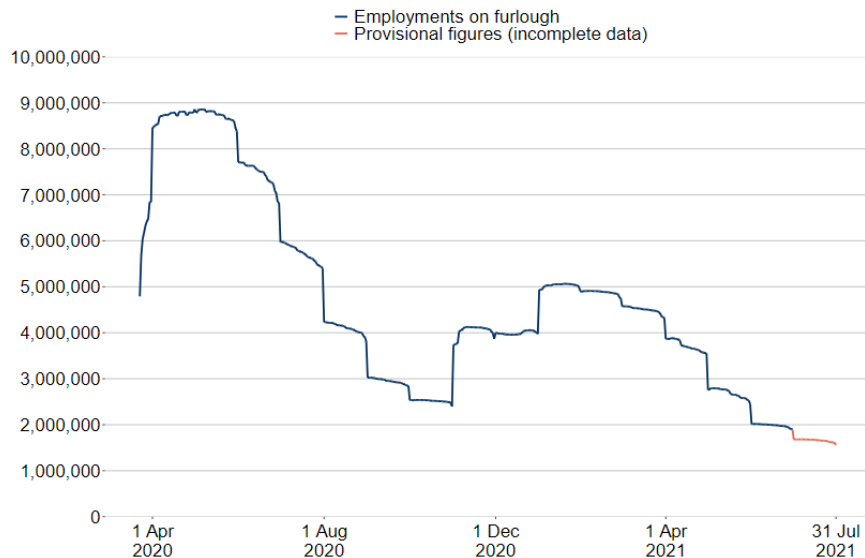
Furloughed Employments Over Time

- For the UK, the number of employments on furlough peaked at 8.9 million on 8th May 2020. This fell to 2.4 million at 31st October, rose again to 4.9 million employments on furlough at 31st January 2021. However, the number of employments on furlough has fallen since January and the latest provisional figures show that as the scheme is coming to an end, the number of employments on

¹ Source: HMRC, Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme statistics: September 2021. Please note, the figures for July 2021 are based on claims received to the deadline for claims for July of 16 August 2021. In some circumstances, late claims can be made with a reasonable excuse and in agreement with HMRC. Claims for July could also be amended until 30 August 2021. Therefore, the data for July 2021 is incomplete and should be considered provisional.

furlough was 1.6 million on the 31st July 2021. Since the start of the scheme a total of 11.6 million jobs have been put on furlough for at least part of the duration of the scheme.

The following chart shows the total number of employments furloughed in the UK up to 31st July 2021:

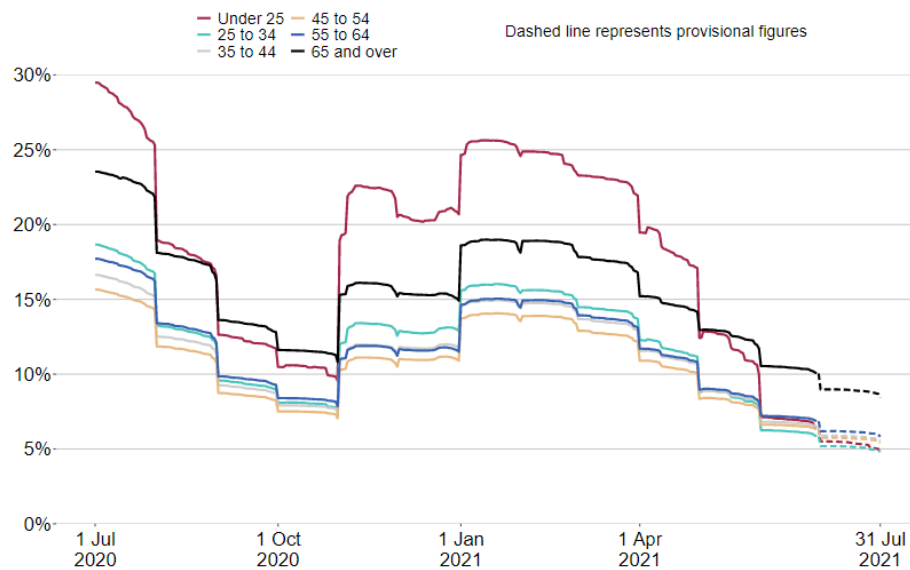


Source: HMRC CJRS data

Employments Furloughed Over Time by Age

- For the UK, for all age bands the number of employments on furlough and the take-up rates decreased across February to July 2021. The largest reductions in the number of employments on furlough in June and July were for younger employees in the under 18, 18 to 24 and 25 to 34 age bands. Take-up rates for the youngest age bands - under 18 and 18 to 24 - decreased dramatically in June 2021 and continues to be comparable with other age bands.
- Take-up rate for the 65 and over age band reduced more slowly than for the youngest age groups through June and July. Thus, at the end of July this age band had the highest take-up of all age groups. The 65 and over age band had take-up rates of 8% and 9% for female and male employments at 31st July 2021, in comparison with the 5% and 6% respectively for the total female and male populations.

The following chart shows the proportion of employments furloughed for the UK by the age of the employee:



Source: HMRC CJRS and PAYE Real Time Information data

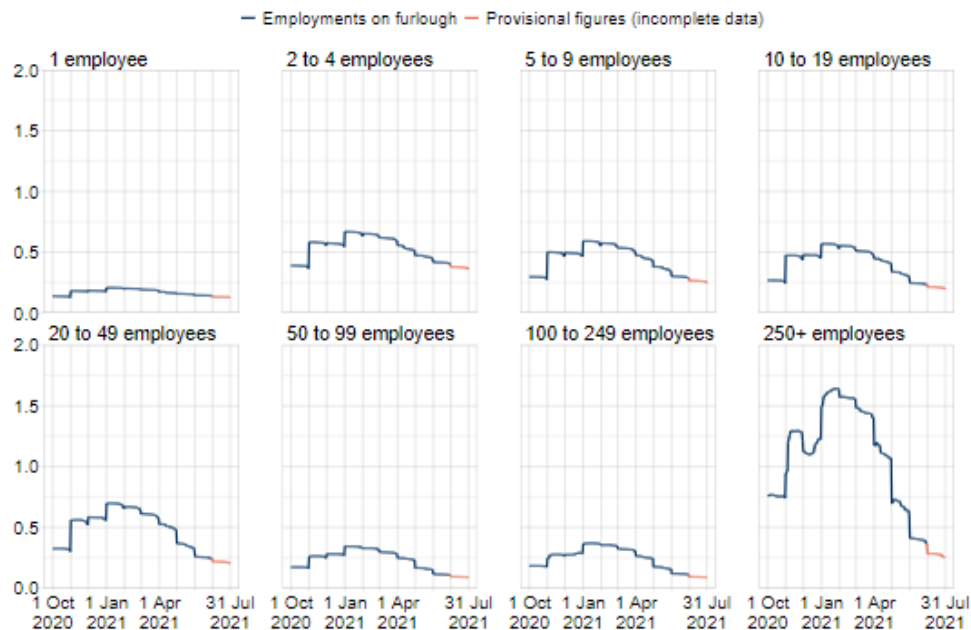
Furlough by Gender

- For the UK, more employments were put on furlough with male job holders than where the employee was female through May, June and July. This reflects decreases in the number of jobs on furlough in sectors such as accommodation and food which typically have higher numbers of female employees.
- For employments where the employee was female, there were 885,000 employments on furlough at 30th June 2021. Provisional figures show that this decreased throughout July to 734,000 at 31st July 2021.
- For employments where the employee was male, there were 973,000 employments on furlough at 30th June 2021. Provisional figures show the number of employments on furlough decreased to 817,000 at 31st July 2021.

Furlough by Employer Size

- For the UK, for all employer sizes, the number of employments on furlough decreased across February, March, April, May, June and July 2021. The largest reduction is for employers with 250 or more employees where the number of employments on furlough decreased by 114,100 from 367,200 employments at 30th June 2021 to a provisional estimate of 253,100 at 31st July 2021.
- Employers with one employment had 139,800 employments on furlough at 30th June 2021. Provisional figures show that this decreased slightly in July to 125,500 employments on furlough at 31st July 2021.
- Employers with 2 to 4 employees had the highest proportion of eligible employments on furlough at 20%. Medium and large sized businesses have the lowest proportion of eligible employments on furlough. Provisional figures for 31st July 2021 show that employers with 250 or more employees had 2% of eligible employees on furlough.

Total employments on furlough (millions) by employer size (number of employees), October 2020 to July 2021 for the UK:



Source: HMRC CJRS and PAYE Real Time Information data

Furlough by Industry

- Provisional figures show for the UK that all sectors saw a reduction in levels of furlough between 30th June and 31st July. The arts, entertainment and recreation sector, and accommodation and food services sector had the highest take-up rate of all the sectors, with 15% of employments eligible for furlough on furlough at 31st July 2021.
- The accommodation and food services sector saw the largest reduction in the number of employments on furlough between 30th June and 31st July. There were 259,100 employments on furlough in this sector at 31st July 2021, a reduction of 96,700. The construction, transportation and storage, and manufacturing sectors have relatively high take-up rates and have been slower than other sectors in reducing the number of employments on furlough in July.
- Diving further into the broad sectors to an industry level; the ten more detailed industry groups with the highest rates of jobs being put on furlough at 31st July 2021 were passenger air transport (51%), travel agency and tour operator activities (46%), photographic activities (35%), creative; arts and entertainment activities (28%), organisation of conventions and trade shows (25%), manufacture of wearing apparel (26%), manufacture of musical instruments (24%), other reservation service and related activities (24%), printing and service activities related to printing (24%) and retail sale via stalls and markets (23%).

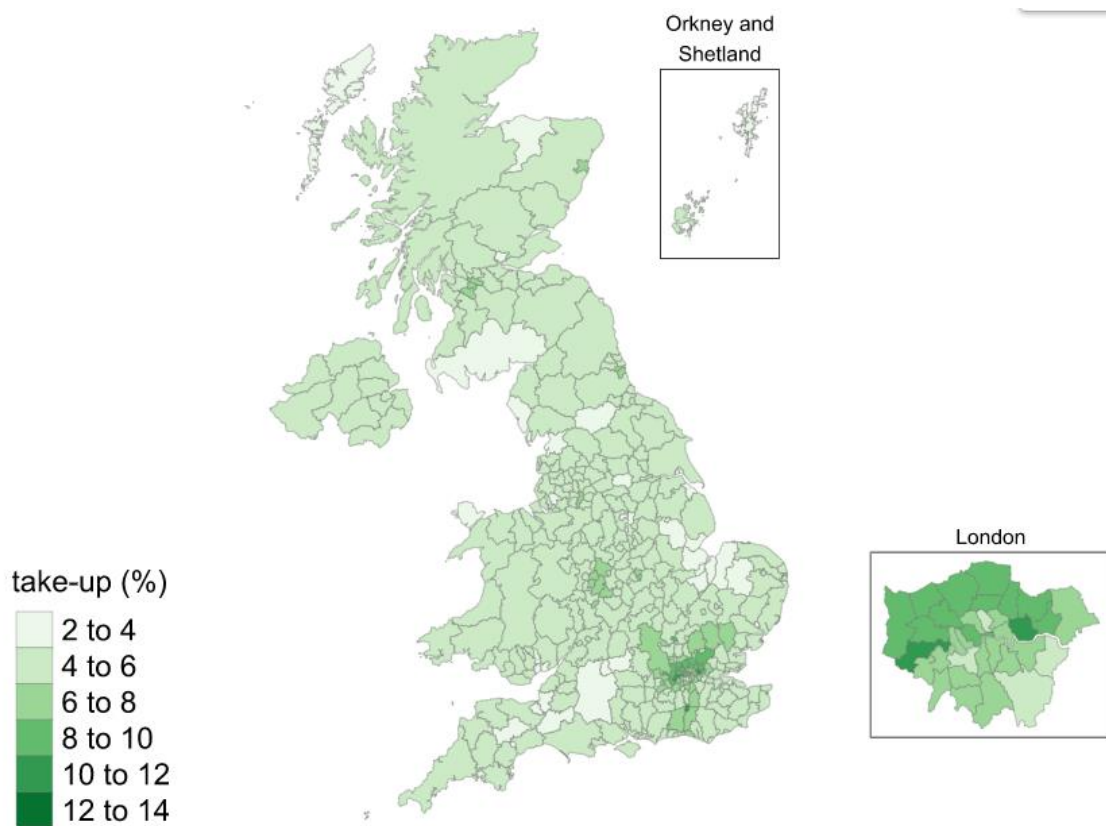
Midlands Engine

Employments Furloughed by Gender

- In total, the latest provisional figures show that Midlands Engine area had 226,800 employments furloughed on the 31st July 2021. This was 5.3% of eligible employments for the scheme compared to UK-wide of 5.4%.

- When compared to 30th June 2021, the Midlands Engine area had 40,300 fewer employments furloughed (-15.1%, UK: -17.8%).
- As of the 31st July 2021 for the Midlands Engine, the take up rate for males was 5.7% (matching the UK) and female take-up rate was 4.9% (UK 5.1%).
- Overall, the local authorities with the highest percentage of workers furloughed were Birmingham (7.4%), Solihull (6.9%), Leicester (6.9%) and Oadby and Wigston (6.6%).
- The local authorities with the highest percentage of females furloughed were Rutland, Solihull and Oadby and Wigston; all 6.5%.
- The local authorities with the highest percentage of male employments furloughed was Birmingham (8.8%), Redditch (7.6%) and Leicester (7.5%).

The following map shows employments on furlough as a proportion of eligible employments at 31st July 2021 (provisional), by local authority across the UK:



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

Employments Furloughed by Gender and Age

- When proportioning out furloughed workers by gender and age bracket as a proportion of the total number of female or male furloughed workers, the Midlands Engine area had a lower proportion of female workers aged 25-49 years old on furlough at 51.7% when compared to UK-wide proportions at 54.4%. Females aged under 25 years old in the Midlands Engine had higher proportions than the UK (11.2% vs 10.8% UK). Similar patterns were seen for females aged 50-64 years old (31.3% vs 29.3% UK) and females aged 65 years and over (5.9% vs 5.5% UK).

- The Midlands Engine area had a lower proportion of male workers aged 25-49 years old furloughed at 52.9% when compared to UK-wide proportions at 54.4%. Males aged under 25 years old in the Midlands Engine had higher proportions than the UK (10.0% vs 9.7% UK). Similar patterns were seen for males aged 50-64 years old (30.8% vs 29.4% UK) and males aged 65 years and over (6.3% vs 6.0% UK).

The following tables shows a breakdown of employments furloughed by gender and grouped by age for the 31st July 2021²:

	Age Group	Midlands Engine (65 LA)	East Midlands Region	West Midlands Region	UK
Female	Under 25 years old	11,800	5,350	6,930	79,600
	Aged 25-49	54,260	24,620	32,430	399,500
	Aged 50-64	32,830	15,500	18,840	214,800
	Aged 65+	6,160	2,780	3,610	40,000
	All	105,050	48,250	61,810	733,900
Male	Under 25 years old	12,220	5,320	7,390	79,200
	Aged 25-49	64,870	26,350	41,640	449,100
	Aged 50-64	37,810	16,140	23,290	240,200
	Aged 65+	7,720	3,440	4,630	48,800
	All	122,620	51,250	76,950	817,300
Total	Under 25 years old	23,960	10,670	14,310	158,800
	Aged 25-49	118,870	50,980	74,070	848,600
	Aged 50-64	70,500	31,650	42,130	454,900
	Aged 65+	13,880	6,230	8,230	88,800
	All	227,210	99,530	138,740	1,551,100

Broad Sectors

- The manufacturing sector had the highest number of employments furloughed in the Midlands Engine on the 31st July with 38,130 people. However, since 30th June 2021, accommodation and food services experienced a reduction of 10,510 (down to 33,330).

The following table shows the total employments furloughed by sector for the Midlands Engine on the 30th June 2021 and 31st July 2021:

	Employments Furloughed on 30th June 2021	Employments Furloughed on 31st July 2021	No. Change
Manufacturing	41,720	38,130	-3,590
Construction	16,940	14,630	-2,310
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles	41,530	34,630	-6,900
Transportation and storage	16,840	15,790	-1,050
Accommodation and food services	43,840	33,330	-10,510
Information and communication, Financial and insurance & Real estate	13,900	12,010	-1,890
Professional, scientific and technical	21,100	18,170	-2,930
Administrative and support services	24,620	21,200	-3,420
Health and social work	10,610	9,860	-750
Arts, entertainment and recreation	11,960	9,100	-2,860
Other service activities	11,950	9,950	-2,000
Other	12,100	10,510	-1,590
Total	267,100	226,800	-40,300

² Figures will not sum due to rounding and for the UK missing and unknown has been excluded.

Appendix – Employment Furloughed by Gender in the Midlands Engine Area on 31st July 2021 (provisional):

	Female employments eligible	Male employments eligible	Total employments eligible	Female employments on furloughed	Female take-up rate	Male employments furloughed	Male take- up rate	Total employments on furloughed	Total take- up rate
North East Lincolnshire UA	32,400	33,900	66,400	1,400	4.3%	1,300	3.8%	2,700	4.1%
North Lincolnshire UA	34,300	36,800	71,100	1,400	4.1%	1,500	4.1%	2,900	4.1%
Derby UA	53,600	55,800	109,400	2,300	4.3%	2,800	5.0%	5,100	4.7%
Leicester UA	69,900	78,200	148,100	4,300	6.2%	5,900	7.5%	10,200	6.9%
Nottingham UA	61,200	60,900	122,000	2,800	4.6%	3,200	5.3%	5,900	4.8%
Rutland UA	7,700	7,700	15,400	500	6.5%	400	5.2%	800	5.2%
Amber Valley	27,400	27,300	54,700	1,200	4.4%	1,100	4.0%	2,300	4.2%
Bolsover	17,800	17,500	35,300	600	3.4%	700	4.0%	1,400	4.0%
Chesterfield	22,500	21,800	44,300	800	3.6%	900	4.1%	1,700	3.8%
Derbyshire Dales	14,600	14,000	28,700	800	5.5%	700	5.0%	1,500	5.2%
Erewash	25,800	25,100	50,900	1,300	5.0%	1,300	5.2%	2,500	4.9%
High Peak	20,700	19,600	40,300	1,000	4.8%	1,000	5.1%	1,900	4.7%
North East Derbyshire	21,800	20,700	42,400	1,000	4.6%	1,000	4.8%	2,000	4.7%
South Derbyshire	24,900	25,000	49,800	1,100	4.4%	1,200	4.8%	2,300	4.6%
Blaby	23,800	22,600	46,300	1,200	5.0%	1,300	5.8%	2,500	5.4%
Charnwood	38,600	38,400	77,000	2,100	5.4%	2,000	5.2%	4,100	5.3%
Harborough	21,300	20,700	42,000	1,300	6.1%	1,100	5.3%	2,400	5.7%
Hinckley and Bosworth	25,400	25,300	50,600	1,300	5.1%	1,300	5.1%	2,600	5.1%
Melton	11,600	11,300	22,800	600	5.2%	500	4.4%	1,100	4.8%
North West Leicestershire	23,300	23,800	47,100	1,200	5.2%	1,000	4.2%	2,200	4.7%
Oadby and Wigston	12,400	12,000	24,300	800	6.5%	800	6.7%	1,600	6.6%
Boston	16,100	16,800	32,900	500	3.1%	500	3.0%	900	2.7%
East Lindsey	23,900	23,900	47,800	1,000	4.2%	1,100	4.6%	2,100	4.4%
Lincoln	20,900	21,100	42,000	700	3.3%	800	3.8%	1,500	3.6%
North Kesteven	25,200	24,900	50,100	900	3.6%	800	3.2%	1,600	3.2%
South Holland	20,000	20,900	41,000	600	3.0%	800	3.8%	1,400	3.4%
South Kesteven	31,000	30,500	61,600	1,400	4.5%	1,300	4.3%	2,800	4.5%
West Lindsey	18,800	18,900	37,700	800	4.3%	800	4.2%	1,600	4.2%
Ashfield	27,500	26,900	54,400	1,100	4.0%	1,200	4.5%	2,300	4.2%
Bassetlaw	25,500	25,600	51,100	1,100	4.3%	1,300	5.1%	2,400	4.7%
Broxtowe	23,900	23,500	47,400	1,000	4.2%	1,100	4.7%	2,200	4.6%
Gedling	26,600	24,700	51,300	1,300	4.9%	1,200	4.9%	2,500	4.9%
Mansfield	24,300	23,800	48,100	1,100	4.5%	1,200	5.0%	2,300	4.8%
Newark and Sherwood	26,300	26,000	52,200	1,300	4.9%	1,100	4.2%	2,400	4.6%
Rushcliffe	26,100	24,900	51,000	1,200	4.6%	1,200	4.8%	2,400	4.7%
Herefordshire, County of (UA)	38,900	36,600	75,500	1,700	4.4%	1,400	3.8%	3,100	4.1%
Shropshire UA	65,600	62,400	128,000	3,200	4.9%	3,000	4.8%	6,200	4.8%
Stoke-on-Trent UA	51,500	53,700	105,100	2,000	3.9%	2,400	4.5%	4,400	4.2%
Telford and Wrekin UA	39,100	39,700	78,800	1,600	4.1%	2,100	5.3%	3,700	4.7%
Cannock Chase	22,300	22,100	44,400	1,200	5.4%	1,200	5.4%	2,400	5.4%
East Staffordshire	26,900	28,400	55,300	1,400	5.2%	1,500	5.3%	2,800	5.1%
Lichfield	22,800	22,500	45,300	1,300	5.7%	1,500	6.7%	2,800	6.2%
Newcastle-under-Lyme	26,500	25,700	52,200	1,200	4.5%	1,100	4.3%	2,300	4.4%
South Staffordshire	23,700	22,500	46,200	1,400	5.9%	1,300	5.8%	2,700	5.8%
Stafford	29,700	30,000	59,600	1,300	4.4%	1,300	4.3%	2,500	4.2%
Staffordshire Moorlands	20,400	19,700	40,100	1,000	4.9%	900	4.6%	1,900	4.7%
Tamworth	17,800	18,200	36,100	900	5.1%	1,100	6.0%	2,000	5.5%
North Warwickshire	14,700	14,400	29,200	800	5.4%	900	6.3%	1,700	5.8%
Nuneaton and Bedworth	30,000	30,000	60,000	1,400	4.7%	1,800	6.0%	3,200	5.3%
Rugby	26,100	27,700	53,800	1,300	5.0%	1,200	4.3%	2,500	4.6%
Stratford-on-Avon	29,300	28,800	58,100	1,800	6.1%	1,600	5.6%	3,400	5.9%
Warwick	32,300	33,700	66,000	1,800	5.6%	1,800	5.3%	3,600	5.5%
Birmingham	201,500	211,500	413,000	11,700	5.8%	18,700	8.8%	30,400	7.4%
Coventry	71,000	73,900	144,800	3,300	4.6%	5,000	6.8%	8,200	5.7%
Dudley	66,200	65,600	131,800	3,100	4.7%	4,100	6.3%	7,200	5.5%
Sandwell	65,900	67,000	132,900	3,500	5.3%	4,900	7.3%	8,400	6.3%
Solihull	46,200	45,600	91,800	3,000	6.5%	3,300	7.2%	6,300	6.9%
Walsall	54,800	55,800	110,600	3,000	5.5%	4,100	7.3%	7,100	6.4%
Wolverhampton	53,800	53,300	107,000	2,600	4.8%	3,500	6.6%	6,100	5.7%

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Bromsgrove	22,100	20,700	42,800	1,200	5.4%	1,300	6.3%	2,500	5.8%
Malvern Hills	15,600	14,700	30,300	700	4.5%	800	5.4%	1,500	5.0%
Redditch	20,100	19,700	39,800	1,100	5.5%	1,500	7.6%	2,600	6.5%
Worcester	24,400	23,800	48,200	1,000	4.1%	1,300	5.5%	2,200	4.6%
Wychavon	28,600	27,800	56,400	1,400	4.9%	1,400	5.0%	2,800	5.0%
Wyre Forest	21,000	20,100	41,100	1,000	4.8%	1,100	5.5%	2,200	5.4%
Midlands Engine (65 LA)	2,135,900	2,146,400	4,281,700	104,900	4.9%	122,500	5.7%	226,800	5.3%
East Midlands Region	1,042,000	1,041,000	2,083,000	48,300	4.6%	51,200	4.9%	99,500	4.8%
West Midlands Region	1,208,800	1,215,600	2,424,300	61,800	5.1%	76,900	6.3%	138,700	5.7%
United Kingdom	14,452,600	14,239,600	28,692,200	733,800	5.1%	817,400	5.7%	1,563,600	5.4%