

CLAIMANT UNEMPLOYMENT DATA FOR

March 2011

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Unemployment in the County has decreased by 151 persons to 9,423, a rate of 2.5%.

Unemployment for the UK, GB, England & Wales, the SW, Gloucestershire and its Local Authority Districts

Area	Mar'11 Number	Mar'11 Rate	Feb'11 Number	Feb'11 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
UK	1,526,946	3.8	1,538,187	3.8	-11,241	-0.7	0.0
GB	1,466,985	3.8	1,477,740	3.8	-10,755	-0.7	0.0
England & Wales	1,321,404	3.7	1,329,709	3.7	-8,305	-0.6	0.0
England	1,246,554	3.7	1,253,469	3.7	-6,915	-0.6	0.0
South West	87,673	2.7	88,974	2.7	-1,301	-1.5	0.0
Gloucestershire	9,423	2.5	9,574	2.6	-151	-1.6	-0.1
Cheltenham	2,018	2.7	2,078	2.8	-60	-2.9	-0.1
Cotswold	743	1.5	787	1.5	-44	-5.6	0.0
Forest of Dean	1,371	2.7	1,406	2.7	-35	-2.5	0.0
Gloucester	2,774	3.6	2,770	3.6	4	0.1	0.0
Stroud	1,427	2.1	1,453	2.1	-26	-1.8	0.0
Tewkesbury	1,090	2.2	1,080	2.2	10	0.9	0.0

Unemployment in Great Britain **decreased** by 10,755 persons to **1,466,985** a rate of **3.8%**.

The County rate of unemployment has decreased to **2.5%**.

Gloucester and Tewkesbury showed a small decrease in the number of unemployed claimants.

The number of males unemployed in the County decreased to **6,439 (3.5%)**. The number of females unemployed stands at **2,984 (1.6%)** representing an increase on last month.

The figures quoted above cannot be compared with:

- 1) the UK figure of **2.48 million** unemployed at a rate of **7.8%**. This is based on the International Labour Organisation (ILO) definition of unemployment. It is obtained from an ongoing national household survey and updated on a quarterly basis.
- 2) the seasonally adjusted unemployment claimant count for the UK of **1.45 million** at a rate of **3.6%**.

NB: These figures cannot be replicated at a local level

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