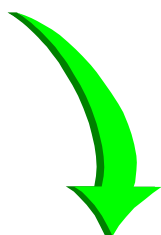


CLAIMANT UNEMPLOYMENT DATA FOR

August 2013

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Unemployment in the County has decreased by 125 persons to 8,926 a rate of 2.4%.

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

Area	Aug 13 Number	Aug'13 Rate	Jul 13 Number	Jul'13 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
UK	1,389,688	3.4	1,418,674	3.5	-28,986	-2.0	-0.1
GB	1,326,395	3.3	1,356,008	3.4	-29,613	-2.2	-0.1
England & Wales	1,196,240	3.3	1,223,292	3.4	-27,052	-2.2	-0.1
England	1,125,111	3.3	1,151,697	3.4	-26,586	-2.3	-0.1
South West	72,280	2.2	74,159	2.2	-1,879	-2.5	0.0
Gloucestershire	8,926	2.4	9,051	2.4	-125	-1.4	0.0
Cheltenham	1,961	2.6	1,977	2.6	-16	-0.8	0.0
Cotswold	625	1.2	648	1.3	-23	-3.5	-0.1
Forest of Dean	1,160	2.3	1,133	2.2	27	2.4	0.1
Gloucester	2,961	3.7	3,075	3.9	-114	-3.7	-0.2
Stroud	1,202	1.7	1,201	1.7	1	0.1	0.0
Tewkesbury	1,017	2.0	1,017	2.0	0	0.0	0.0

Unemployment in Great Britain **decreased** by 29,613 persons to **1,326,395** a rate of **3.3%**.

The County rate of unemployment has remained the same as last month at **2.4%**.

Cheltenham, Cotswold and Gloucester saw a decrease in the number of unemployed claimants.

The number of males unemployed in the County decreased to **5,710 (3.0%)**. The number of females unemployed stands at **3,216 (1.7%)** representing an increase on last month.

The figures quoted above cannot be compared with:

- 1) the UK figure of **2.51 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 **1.40 million** at a rate of **3.4%**.

NB: These figures cannot be replicated at a local level

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