

CLAIMANT UNEMPLOYMENT DATA FOR

March 2014

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Unemployment in the County has decreased by 481 persons to 7,514 a rate of 2.0%.

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

Area	Mar 14 Number	Mar'14 Rate	Feb 14 Number	Feb'14 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
UK	1,196,269	2.9	1,243,434	3.0	-47,165	-3.8	-0.1
GB	1,138,573	2.9	1,184,157	3.0	-45,584	-3.8	-0.1
England & Wales	1,027,851	2.8	1,069,748	3.0	-41,897	-3.9	-0.2
England	962,539	2.8	1,002,092	2.9	-39,553	-3.9	-0.1
South West	64,039	1.9	67,890	2.0	-3,851	-5.7	-0.1
Gloucestershire	7,514	2.0	7,995	2.1	-481	-6.0	-0.1
Cheltenham	1,559	2.0	1,718	2.3	-159	-9.3	-0.3
Cotswold	527	1.0	566	1.1	-39	-6.9	-0.1
Forest of Dean	942	1.9	995	2.0	-53	-5.3	-0.1
Gloucester	2,581	3.2	2,671	3.3	-90	-3.4	-0.1
Stroud	997	1.4	1,075	1.5	-78	-7.3	-0.1
Tewkesbury	908	1.8	970	1.9	-62	-6.4	-0.1

Unemployment in Great Britain **decreased** by 45,584 persons to **1,138,573** a rate of **2.9%**.

The County rate of unemployment **has decreased** to **2.0%**.

All districts saw a decrease in the number of unemployed claimants.

The number of males unemployed in the County stands at **4,937 (2.6%)** and the number of females unemployed stands at **2,577 (1.4%)** both representing a decrease on last month.

The figures quoted above cannot be compared with:

- 1) the UK figure of **2.24 million** unemployed at a rate of **6.9%**. 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 **1.14 million** at a rate of **2.8%**.

NB: These figures cannot be replicated at a local level

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