

CLAIMANT UNEMPLOYMENT DATA FOR

August 2012

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Unemployment in the County has increased by 93 persons to 10,310, a rate of 2.8%.

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

Area	Aug'12 Number	Aug'12 Rate	Jul'12 Number	Jul'12 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
UK	1,569,926	3.9	1,572,672	3.9	-2,746	-0.2	0.0
GB	1,505,212	3.8	1,508,910	3.8	-3,698	-0.2	0.0
England & Wales	1,358,970	3.8	1,362,885	3.8	-3,915	-0.3	0.0
England	1,279,992	3.8	1,284,931	3.8	-4,939	-0.4	0.0
South West	86,108	2.6	86,434	2.6	-326	-0.4	0.0
Gloucestershire	10,310	2.8	10,217	2.7	93	0.9	0.1
Cheltenham	2,377	3.2	2,356	3.1	21	0.9	0.1
Cotswold	762	1.5	737	1.5	25	3.4	0.0
Forest of Dean	1,364	2.6	1,399	2.7	-35	-2.5	-0.1
Gloucester	3,190	4.2	3,135	4.1	55	1.8	0.1
Stroud	1,479	2.1	1,483	2.2	-4	-0.3	-0.1
Tewkesbury	1,138	2.3	1,107	2.2	31	2.8	0.1

Unemployment in Great Britain **decreased** by 3,698 persons to **1,505,212** a rate of **3.8%**.

The County rate of unemployment increased in August 2012 to **2.8%**.

Forest of Dean and Stroud showed a decrease in the number of unemployed claimants, while the remaining districts saw an increase.

The number of males unemployed in the County declined to **6,841 (3.7%)**. The number of females unemployed stands at **3,469 (1.9%)** representing an increase on last month.

The figures quoted above cannot be compared with:

- 1) the UK figure of **2.59 million** unemployed at a rate of **8.1 %**. 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 **1.57 million** at a rate of **3.9%**.

NB: These figures cannot be replicated at a local level

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