CLAIMANT UNEMPLOYMENT DATA FOR
December 2010
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Unemployment in the County has decreased by 61 persons to 8,655, a rate of 2.3%.

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

Area	Dec'10 Number	Dec'10 Rate	Nov'10 Number	Nov'10 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
UK	1,425,192	3.6	1,413,265	3.5	11,927	0.8	0.1
GB	1,368,310	3.5	1,356,439	3.5	11,871	0.9	0.0
England & Wales	1,232,110	3.5	1,225,168	3.4	6,942	0.6	0.1
England	1,161,929	3.5	1,156,394	3.4	5,535	0.5	0.1
South West	79,427	2.4	78,516	2.4	911	1.2	0.0
Gloucestershire	8,655	2.3	8,716	2.3	-61	-0.7	0.0
Cheltenham	1,986	2.7	2,021	2.7	-35	-1.7	0.0
Cotswold	711	1.4	703	1.4	8	1.1	0.0
Forest of Dean	1,200	2.3	1,198	2.3	2	0.2	0.0
Gloucester	2,480	3.3	2,479	3.3	1	0.0	0.0
Stroud	1,357	2.0	1,374	2.0	-17	-1.2	0.0
Tewkesbury	921	1.8	941	1.9	-20	-2.1	-0.1

Unemployment in Great Britain **increased** by 11,871 persons to **1,368,310** a rate of **3.5%.**

The County rate of unemployment remained the same as last month at **2.3%**.

Cotswold, Forest of Dean and Gloucester districts showed a small increase in the number of unemployed claimants.

The number of males unemployed in the County increased to **6,090 (3.3%).**The number of females unemployed stands at **2,565 (1.4%)** representing a decrease on last month.

The figures quoted above cannot be compared with:

1) the UK figure of **2.50 million** unemployed at a rate of **7.9%.** 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 **1.46 million** at a rate of **3.6%.**

NB: These figures cannot be replicated at a local level

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