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INTRODUCTION

The Unemployment Bulletin provides a monthly update on unemployment data for Gloucestershire, the South West region and Great Britain/United Kingdom. It is produced by the Strategic Needs Analysis Team in the County Council's Strategy and Challenge function.

From 1996 until the recent introduction of Universal Credit, unemployment data was based on the number of people claiming Job Seekers Allowance. However, since its introduction some unemployment benefit claimants will be claiming Universal Credit instead. For more information about Universal Credit please see the [ONS website](#).

To reflect this change the Unemployment Bulletin will include two measures:

- **Estimated Claimant Count*** - combines claimants of Job Seekers Allowance and Universal Credit Claimants who are not in work. This information is included in Part 1 of the unemployment bulletin and provides the broadest measure of unemployment at a County and District level.
- **Job Seekers Allowance claimants only** - this information is included in Parts 2 – 7 of the unemployment bulletin. It gives a narrower estimate of unemployment, and is the only measure available at ward level and that can be broken down by age.

Statistics about Job Seeker's Allowance claimants are sourced from the Office for National Statistics via Nomis (www.nomis.co.uk) and Universal Credit statistics are provided by the Department for Work and Pensions.

PART 1: Summary - Estimated Claimant Count*

The estimated claimant rate* in Gloucestershire was 1.1% in August 2015. This was the same as the July 2015 figure. The GB and South West rate also remained the same at 1.9% and 1.1% respectively. Gloucestershire's rate was the same as the South West average of 1.1%, and 0.8% lower than the GB average of 1.1%.

The estimated claimant count* in Gloucestershire in August 2015 increased by 62 people. The amount of people claiming in August 2015 was 1.6% higher than the number in July 2015. This compares to a 0.3% decrease in the South West and a 0.3% increase for GB.

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* Please note the estimated Claimant Count combines claimants of Job Seekers Allowance and Universal Credit who are not in work. This includes a small number of people who are not in work but not required to seek work

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Estimated Claimant Count* - Districts at a Glance

At a glance estimated claimant count* information grouped by district. Includes:

Estimated claimant count*: Total number of people claiming Job Seekers Allowance and Universal Credit who are not in work in August 2015

Compared to last month: How much larger/smaller August's estimated claimant count* is compared to July, expressed as a %

Estimated claimant rate*: The % of working population claiming Job Seekers Allowance and Universal Credit who are not in work in August 2015

CHELTENHAM BOROUGH

Estimated claim count*: 783
Compared to last month: -1.3%
Estimated claimant rate*: 1.0%

GLOUCESTER CITY

Estimated claim count*: 1,320
Compared to last month: +0.5%
Estimated claimant rate*: 1.6%

COTSWOLD DISTRICT

Estimated claim count*: 335
Compared to last month: +1.8%
Estimated claimant rate*: 0.7%

STROUD DISTRICT

Estimated claim count*: 490
Compared to last month: +5.6%
Estimated claimant rate*: 0.7%

FOREST OF DEAN

Estimated claim count*: 576
Compared to last month: +0.7%
Estimated claimant rate*: 1.1%

TEWKESBURY BOROUGH

Estimated claim count*: 527
Compared to last month: +6.0%
Estimated claimant rate*: 1.0%

Between July 2015 and August 2015 the estimated claimant rate* in Tewkesbury increased, while the rate in the remaining districts stayed the same.

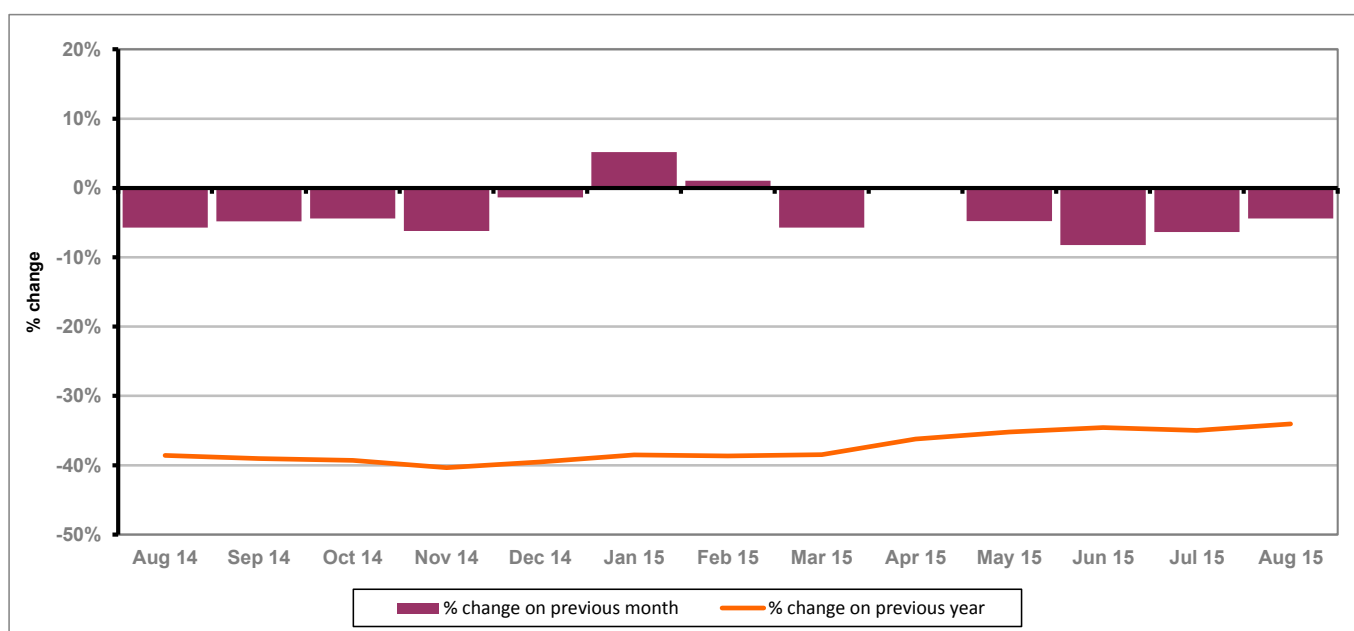
PART 2: Summary - Job Seekers Allowance

The Jobseekers Allowance claimant rate in Gloucestershire was 1.0% in August 2015. This was the same as the July 2015 figure. The UK rate decreased to 1.7% whilst the South West remained the same as the previous month at 1.0%. Gloucestershire's rate was the same as the South West average of 1.0%, and 0.7% lower than the UK average of 1.7%.

The number of people claiming Job Seekers Allowance in Gloucestershire in August 2015 decreased by 166 people. The amount of people claiming in August 2015 was 4.4% lower than the number in July 2015. This compares to a 3.6% decrease in the South West and a 2.1% decrease for the UK.

The year on year Job Seekers Allowance claimant count in Gloucestershire has increased since last month. The count was 34.0% lower in August 2015 than at the same point in the previous year as shown in the graph below.

Gloucestershire Job Seekers Allowance claimants - Month on Month and Year on Year change: August 2014 to August 2015



Job Seekers Allowance - Districts at a Glance

At a glance Job Seekers Allowance information grouped by district. Includes:

Claim count: Total number of people claiming Job Seekers Allowance in August 2015

Compared to last month: How much larger/smaller August's Job Seekers Allowance claimant count is compared to July, expressed as a %

Claimant rate: The % of working population claiming Job Seekers Allowance in August 2015

Highest claiming ward: The ward with the highest Job Seekers Allowance claim count in that district and the rate

CHELTENHAM BOROUGH

JSA Claim count:	677
Compared to last month:	-9.2%
JSA Claimant rate:	0.9%
Highest claiming ward	Oakley (2.0%)

GLOUCESTER CITY

JSA Claim count:	1,248
Compared to last month:	-3.7%
Claimant rate:	1.5%
Highest claiming ward	Westgate (3.6%)

COTSWOLD DISTRICT

JSA Claim count:	293
Compared to last month:	-3.6%
JSA Claimant rate:	0.6%
Highest claiming ward	Cirencester Watermoor (1.6%)

STROUD DISTRICT

JSA Claim count:	420
Compared to last month:	-3.7%
JSA Claimant rate:	0.6%
Highest claiming ward	Central (2.0%)

FOREST OF DEAN

JSA Claim count:	500
Compared to last month:	-3.8%
JSA Claimant rate:	1.0%
Highest claiming ward	Cinderford East (2.1%)

TEWKESBURY BOROUGH

JSA Claim count:	477
Compared to last month:	-0.4%
JSA Claimant rate:	0.9%
Highest claiming ward	Tewkesbury Prior's Park (2.7%)

PART 3: Job Seekers Allowance - County

The Job Seekers Allowance situation in Gloucestershire compared to the South West and the UK.

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate

Figure 1: Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for Gloucestershire, the South West and UK over the past year

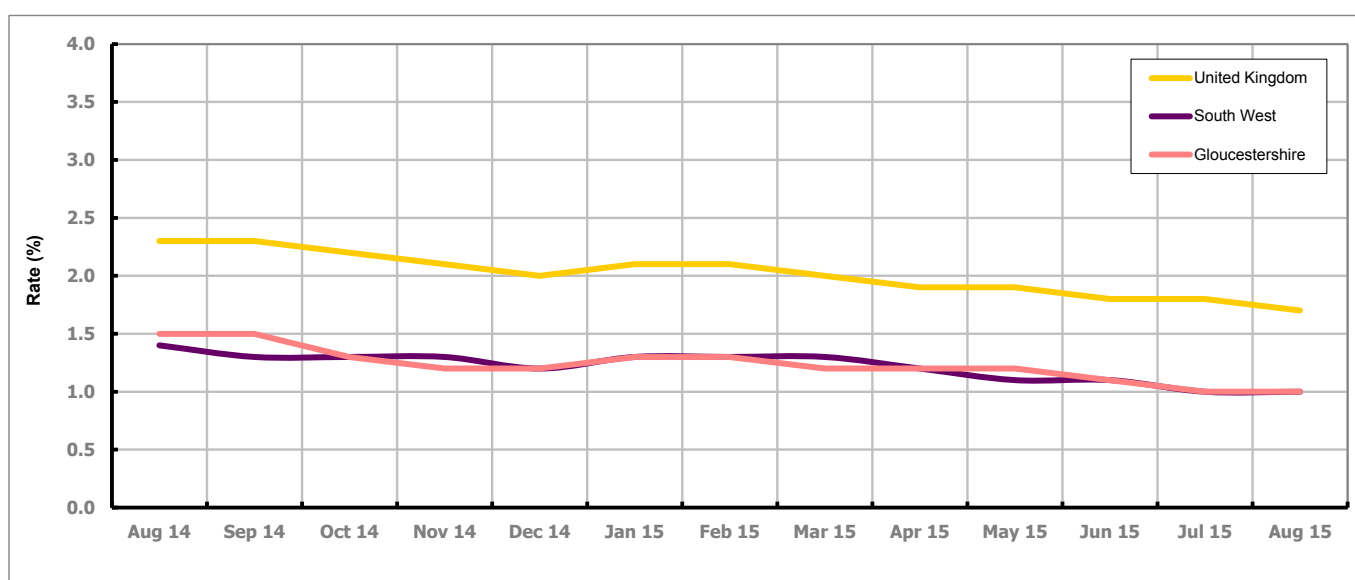


Figure 1 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for Gloucestershire at 1.0% in August 2015. In August and September 2014 the Gloucestershire rate was higher than the South West. It has been the same as the South West average since October 2014, with the exception of November and March when it was lower and May when it was higher. It has been persistently lower by approximately 0.7% against the UK average. The rate remains the same as last month.

Job Seekers Allowance claimant count

Table 1: Analysis of UK, South West and Gloucestershire Job Seekers Allowance claimant count

Area	Job Seekers Allowance claimant count in August 2015	% change on July 2015	Average % change over the last six months	Consecutive months decreasing
UK	708,613	-2.1%	-2.5%	5
South West	33,385	-3.6%	-3.7%	5
Gloucestershire	3,615	-4.4%	-4.0%	5

Table 1 shows that in August 2015, the number of Job Seekers Allowance claimants in Gloucestershire was 4.4% lower than the number in July 2015.

The average change in Job Seekers Allowance claimants in Gloucestershire for the six months to August 2015 was -4.0%.

PART 4: Job Seekers Allowance - Districts

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 2: Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate (%) across Gloucestershire - August 2015

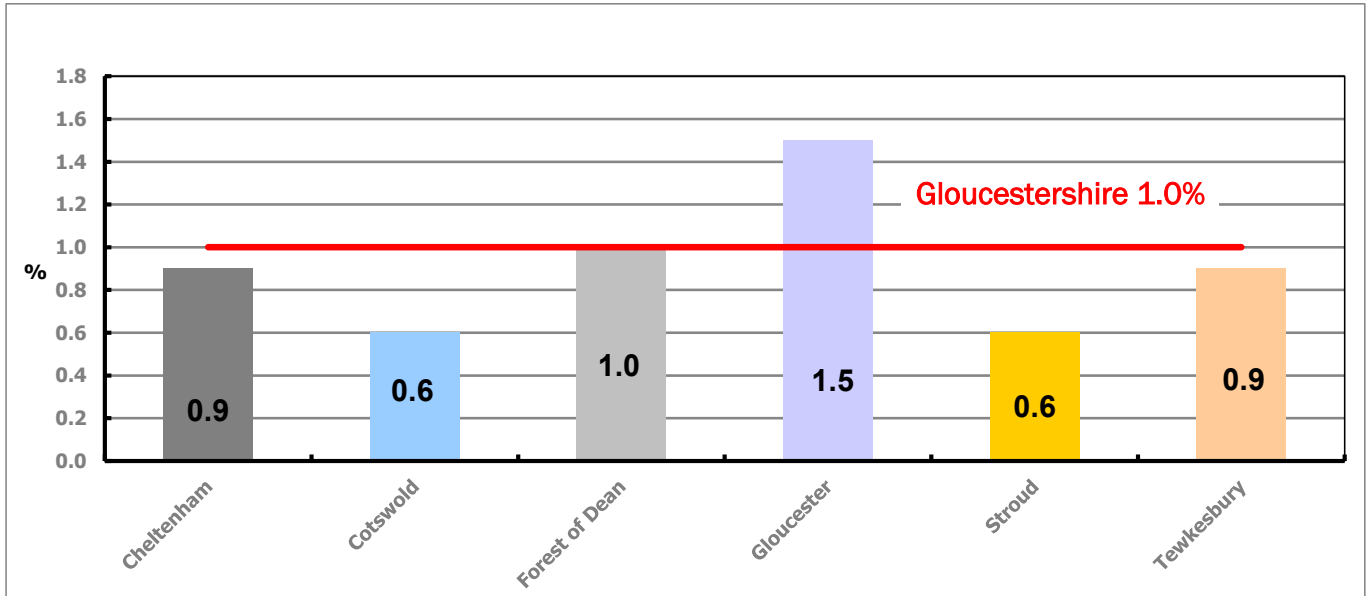


Figure 2 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for August 2015 in Gloucestershire. Between July 2015 and August 2015, the rate in Cheltenham and Gloucester declined, while the rate in the remaining four districts stayed the same.

Figure 3: Total Job Seekers Allowance claimants over the past year across Districts

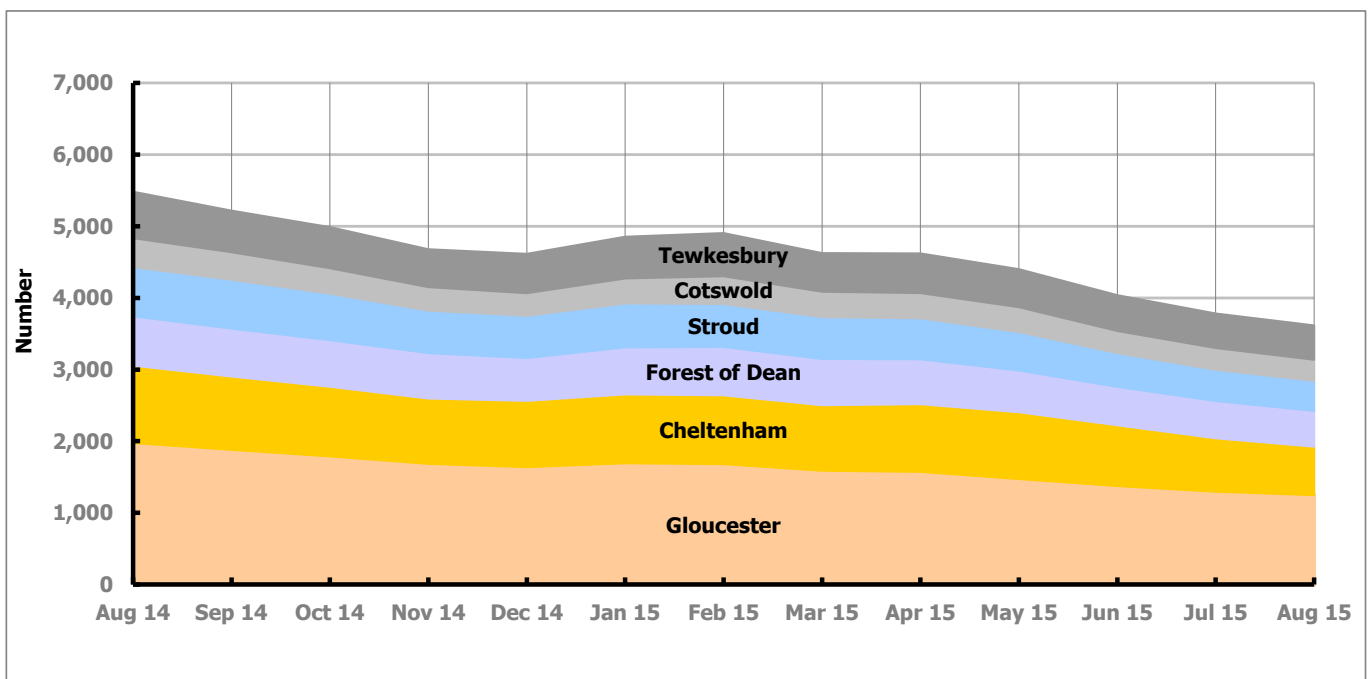


Figure 3 shows the overall Job Seekers Allowance claimant count by district over the past year. The number of claimants has decreased over the last year, with the exception of January, February and April 2015 when there was an increase.

Table 2: Analysis of Gloucestershire and District Job Seekers Allowance claimant counts

Total	August 15 Number	August 15 Rate	July 15 Number	July 15 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
Gloucestershire	3,615	1.0	3,781	1.0	-166	-4.4%	0.0
Cheltenham	677	0.9	746	1.0	-69	-9.2%	-0.1
Cotswold	293	0.6	304	0.6	-11	-3.6%	0.0
Forest of Dean	500	1.0	520	1.0	-20	-3.8%	0.0
Gloucester	1,248	1.5	1,296	1.6	-48	-3.7%	-0.1
Stroud	420	0.6	436	0.6	-16	-3.7%	0.0
Tewkesbury	477	0.9	479	0.9	-2	-0.4%	0.0

Table 2 shows the change in the Job Seekers Allowance claimant count in August 2015 compared to July 2015. All districts saw a decline in the number of claimants.

Table 3: Analysis of Male Gloucestershire and District Job Seekers Allowance claimant counts

Male	August 15 Number	August 15 Rate	July 15 Number	July 15 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
Gloucestershire	2,299	1.2	2,451	1.3	-152	-6.2%	-0.1
Cheltenham	409	1.1	479	1.3	-70	-14.6%	-0.2
Cotswold	175	0.7	188	0.8	-13	-6.9%	-0.1
Forest of Dean	314	1.2	335	1.3	-21	-6.3%	-0.1
Gloucester	842	2.1	869	2.2	-27	-3.1%	-0.1
Stroud	259	0.7	284	0.8	-25	-8.8%	-0.1
Tewkesbury	300	1.2	296	1.2	4	1.4%	0.0

Table 3 shows the change in the male Job Seekers Allowance claimant count in August 2015 compared to July 2015. Tewkesbury saw a small increase in the number of male claimants, while all other districts saw a decrease.

Table 4: Analysis of Female Gloucestershire and District Job Seekers Allowance claimant counts

Female	August 15 Number	August 15 Rate	July 15 Number	July 15 Rate	Monthly change	% monthly change	Monthly change of rate
Gloucestershire	1,316	0.7	1,330	0.7	-14	-1.1%	0.0
Cheltenham	268	0.7	267	0.7	1	0.4%	0.0
Cotswold	118	0.5	116	0.5	2	1.7%	0.0
Forest of Dean	186	0.7	185	0.7	1	0.5%	0.0
Gloucester	406	1.0	427	1.1	-21	-4.9%	-0.1
Stroud	161	0.5	152	0.4	9	5.9%	0.1
Tewkesbury	177	0.7	183	0.7	-6	-3.3%	0.0

Table 4 shows the change in the female Job Seekers Allowance claimant count in August 2015 compared to July 2015. Gloucester and Tewkesbury experienced a decrease in the number of female claimants, while the remaining four districts saw a slight increase.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

This section covers the six districts and a comparison of their constituent wards.

4.1 Cheltenham Borough

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 4: Cheltenham Borough Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate over the last year

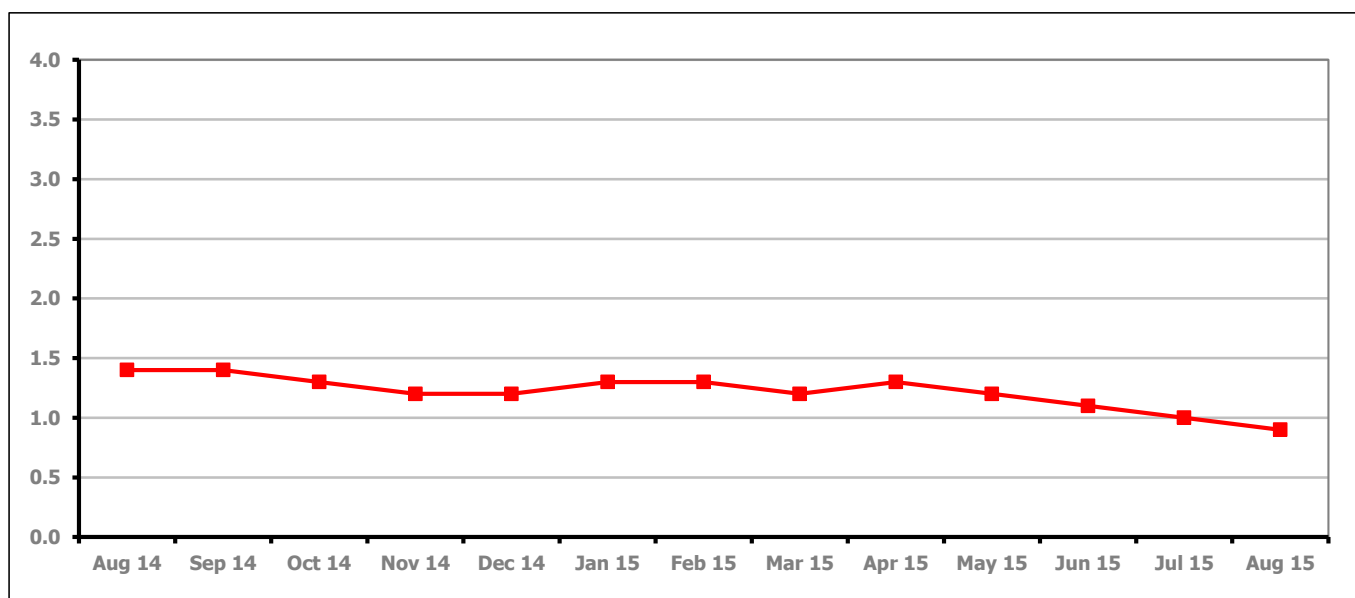


Figure 4 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate in Cheltenham decreased in August 2015 to 0.9%.

Figure 5: Cheltenham Borough Job Seekers Allowance claimants - Month on Month and Year on Year change

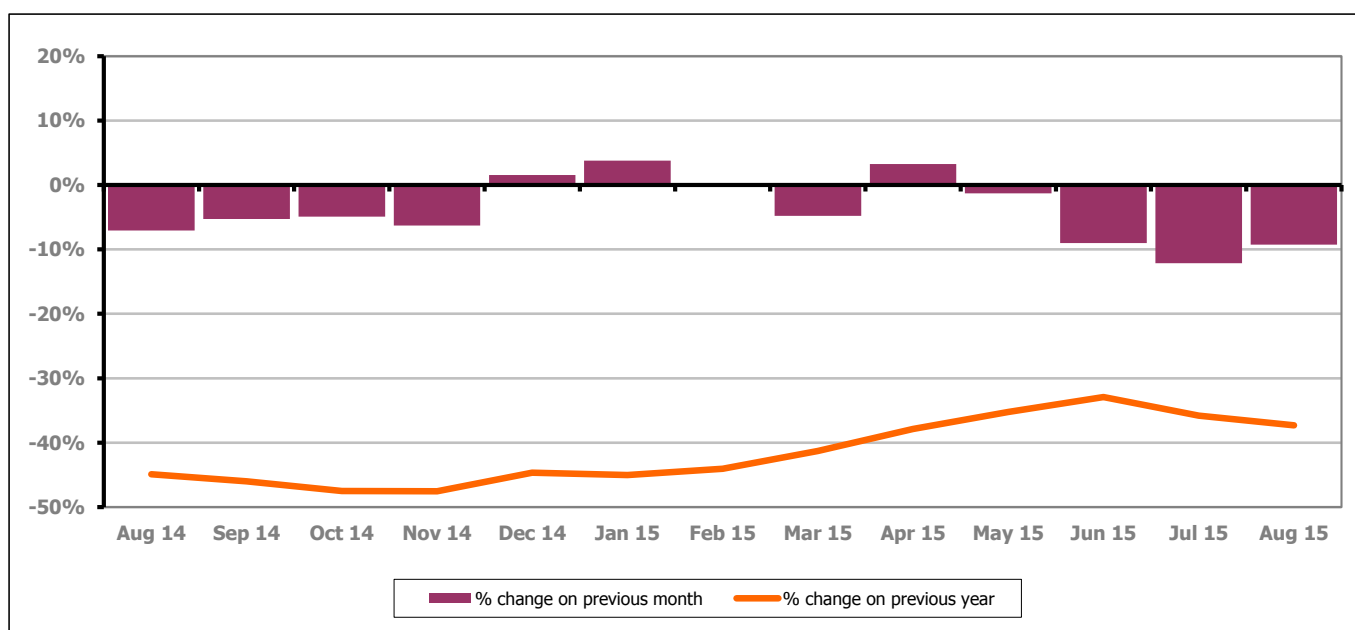


Figure 5 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant count decreased by 9.2% since last month. The change on the previous year has decreased between July and August 2015 to -37.3%.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.1 Cheltenham Borough continued...

Figure 6: Job Seekers Allowance Claimant rates across Cheltenham Borough wards - August 2015

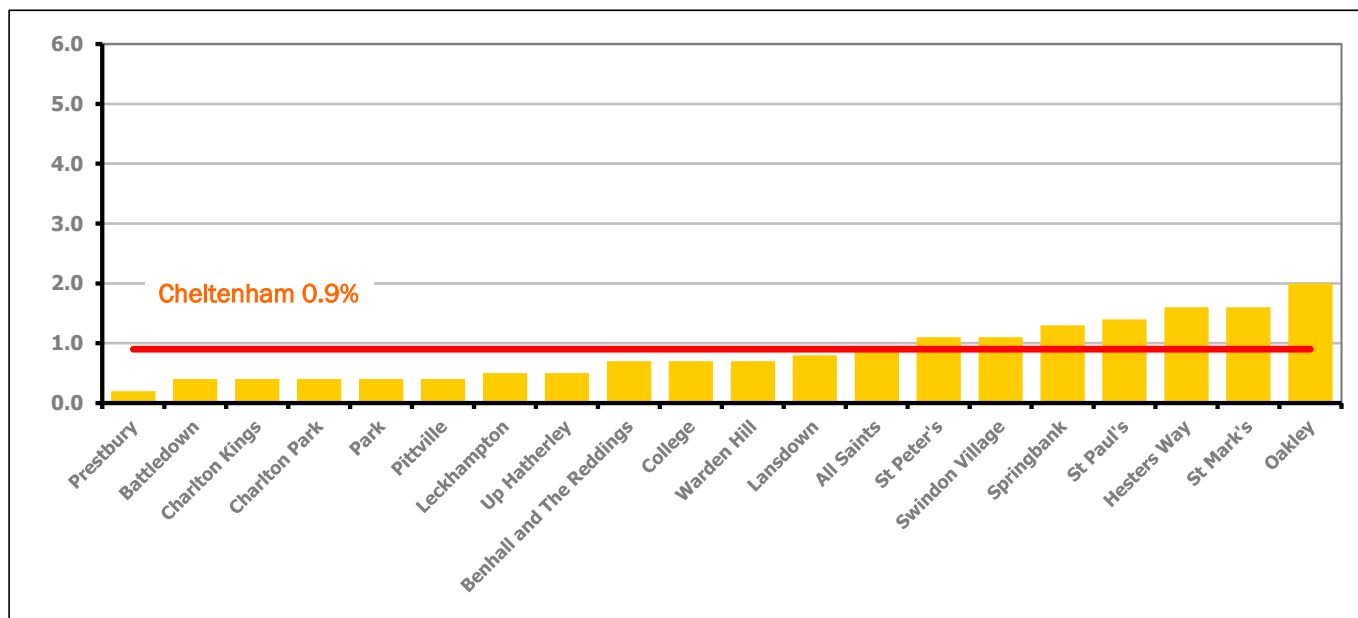


Figure 6 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Cheltenham Borough wards. The red line represents the average claimant rate across the Borough of 0.9%. Seven wards lie above the average.

Table 5: Analysis of Job Seekers Allowance claimant count at Cheltenham ward level - August 2015

District	Ward	Rate	Rank*
Cheltenham	Prestbury	0.2	8
Cheltenham	Battledown	0.4	26
Cheltenham	Charlton Kings	0.4	26
Cheltenham	Charlton Park	0.4	26
Cheltenham	Park	0.4	26
Cheltenham	Pittville	0.4	26
Cheltenham	Leckhampton	0.5	44
Cheltenham	Up Hatherley	0.5	44
Cheltenham	Benhall and The Reddings	0.7	71
Cheltenham	College	0.7	71
Cheltenham	Warden Hill	0.7	71
Cheltenham	Lansdown	0.8	88
Cheltenham	All Saints	0.9	97
Cheltenham	St Peter's	1.1	112
Cheltenham	Swindon Village	1.1	112
Cheltenham	Springbank	1.3	118
Cheltenham	St Paul's	1.4	121
Cheltenham	Hesters Way	1.6	128
Cheltenham	St Mark's	1.6	128
Cheltenham	Oakley	2.0	133

bottom 10% of county

first quartile of county

second quartile of county

third quartile of county

fourth quartile of county

highest 10% of county

* 1 = "best" and 142 = "worst"

Table 5 shows overall Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Cheltenham Borough wards and their position relative to all wards in Gloucestershire.

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4.2 Cotswold District

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 7: Cotswold District claimant rate over the last year

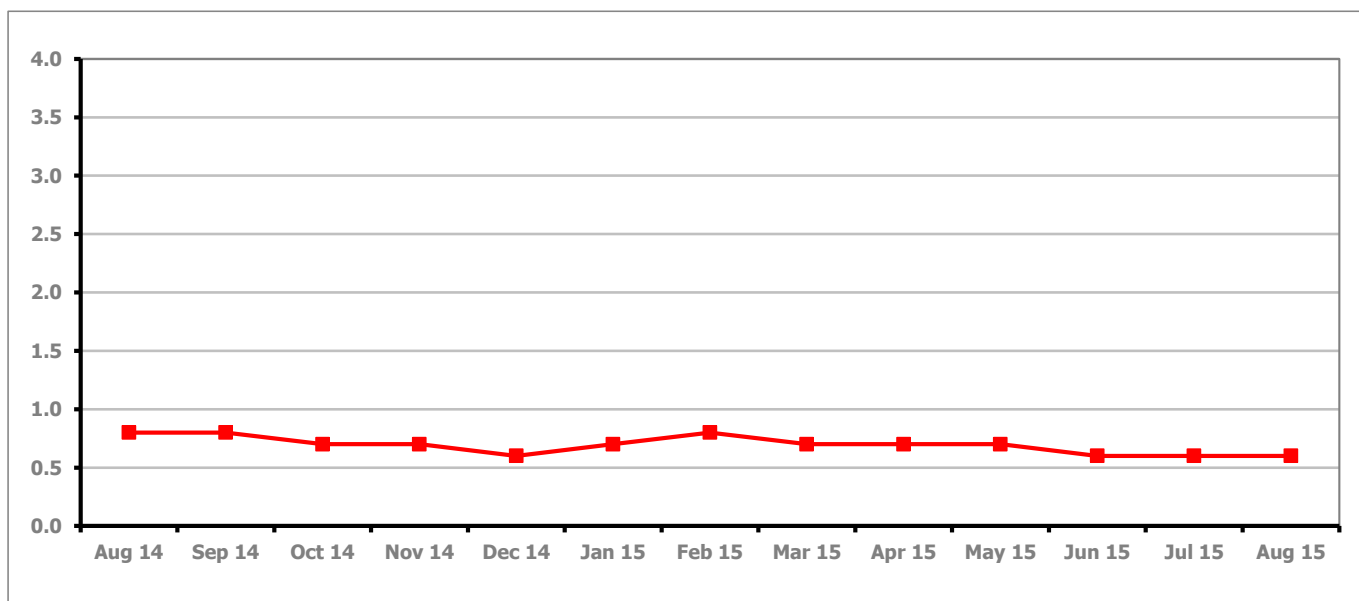


Figure 7 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate in Cotswold District remained the same as last month at 0.6%.

Figure 8: Cotswold District Job Seekers Allowance claimants - Month on Month and Year on Year change

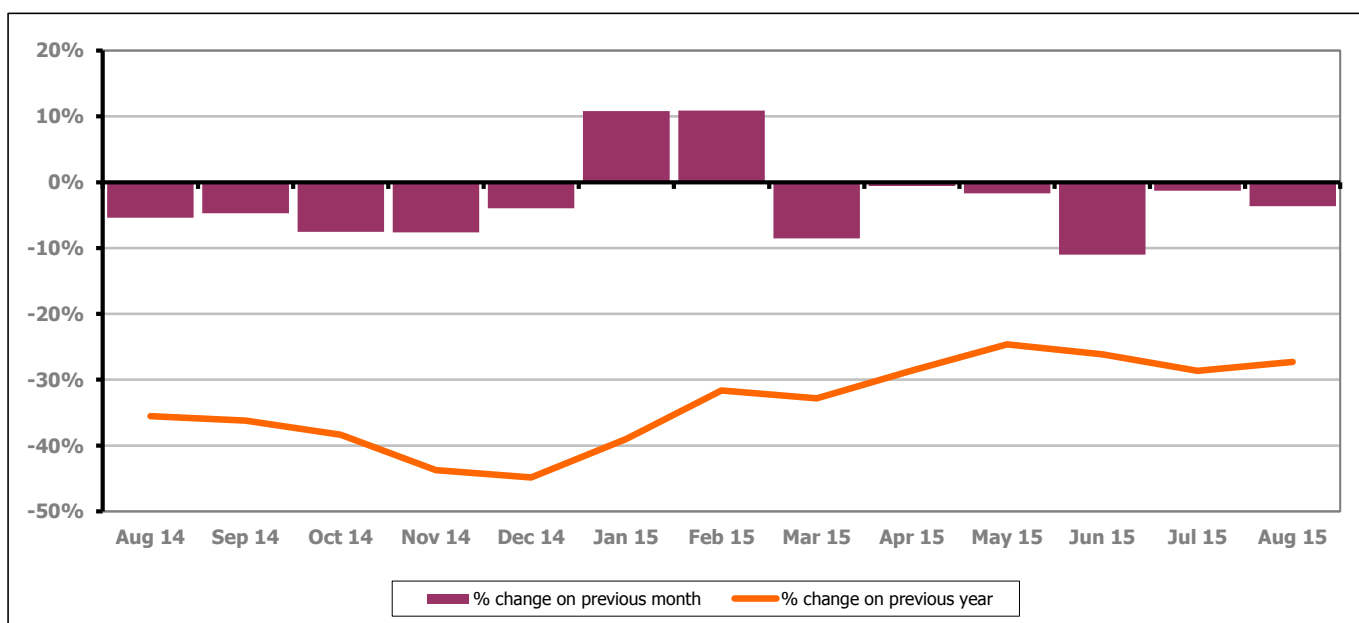


Figure 8 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant count decreased by 3.6% since July 2015. The change on the previous year has increased between July and August 2015 to -27.3%.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.2 Cotswold District continued...

Figure 9: Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates across Cotswold District wards - August 2015

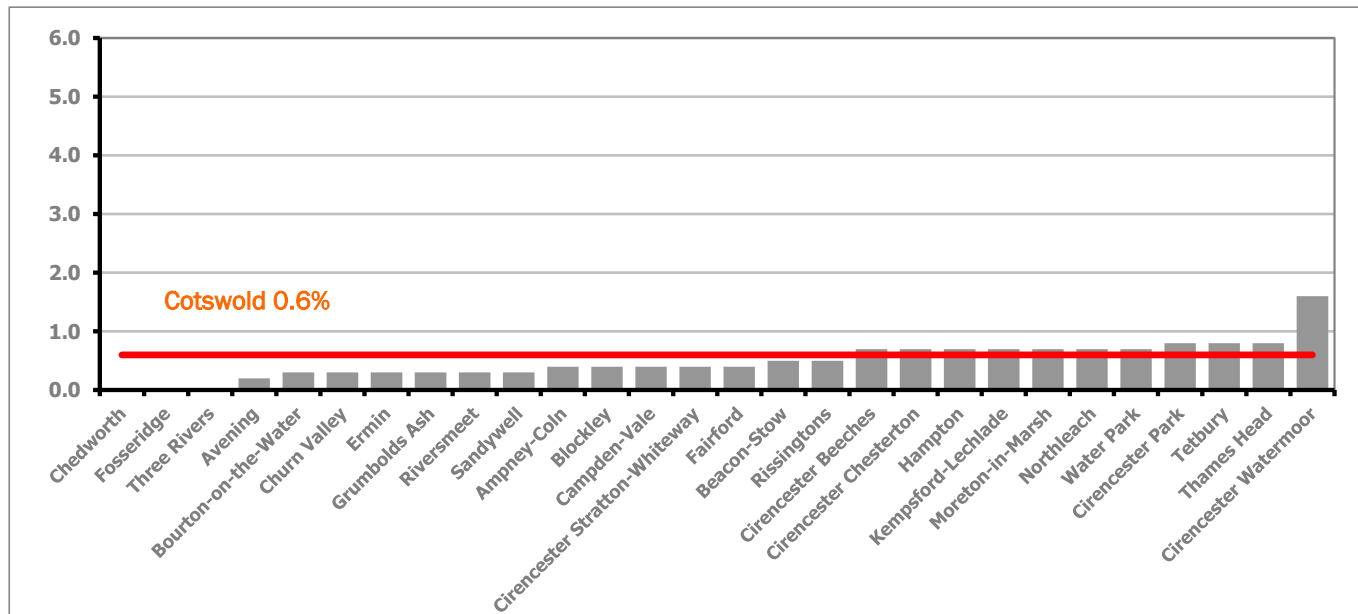
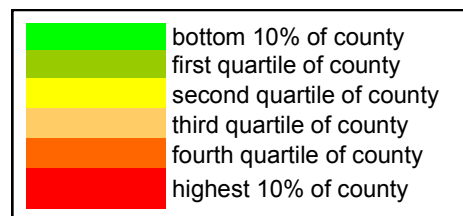


Figure 9 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Cotswold District wards. The red line represents the average claimant rate across the District of 0.6%. Eleven wards lie above the average.

Table 6: Analysis of Job Seekers Allowance claimant count at Cotswold ward level - August 2015

District	Ward	Rate	Rank*
Cotswolds	Chedworth	<0.2	1
Cotswolds	Fosseridge	<0.2	1
Cotswolds	Three Rivers	<0.2	1
Cotswolds	Avening	0.2	8
Cotswolds	Bourton-on-the-Water	0.3	12
Cotswolds	Churn Valley	0.3	12
Cotswolds	Ermin	0.3	12
Cotswolds	Grumbolds Ash	0.3	12
Cotswolds	Riversmeet	0.3	12
Cotswolds	Sandywell	0.3	12
Cotswolds	Ampney-Coln	0.4	26
Cotswolds	Blockley	0.4	26
Cotswolds	Campden-Vale	0.4	26
Cotswolds	Cirencester Stratton-Whiteway	0.4	26
Cotswolds	Fairford	0.4	26
Cotswolds	Beacon-Stow	0.5	44
Cotswolds	Rissingtons	0.5	44
Cotswolds	Cirencester Beeches	0.7	71
Cotswolds	Cirencester Chesterton	0.7	71
Cotswolds	Hampton	0.7	71
Cotswolds	Kempsford-Lechlade	0.7	71
Cotswolds	Moreton-in-Marsh	0.7	71
Cotswolds	Northleach	0.7	71
Cotswolds	Water Park	0.7	71
Cotswolds	Cirencester Park	0.8	88
Cotswolds	Tetbury	0.8	88
Cotswolds	Thames Head	0.8	88
Cotswolds	Cirencester Watermoor	1.6	128



* 1 = "best" and 142 = "worst"

Table 6 shows overall Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Cotswold District wards and their position relative to all wards in Gloucestershire.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.3 Forest of Dean District

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 10: Forest of Dean District Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate over the last year

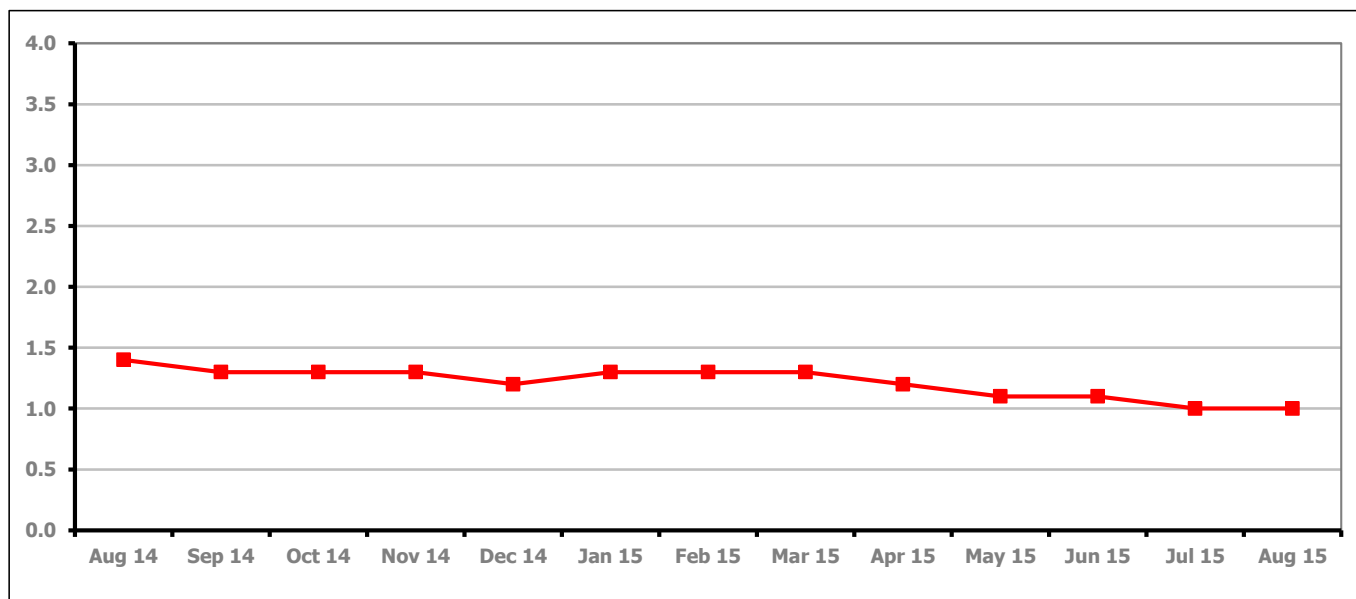


Figure 10 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate in the Forest of Dean remained the same in August 2015 at 1.0%.

Figure 11: Forest of Dean District Job Seekers Allowance claimants - Month on Month and Year on Year change

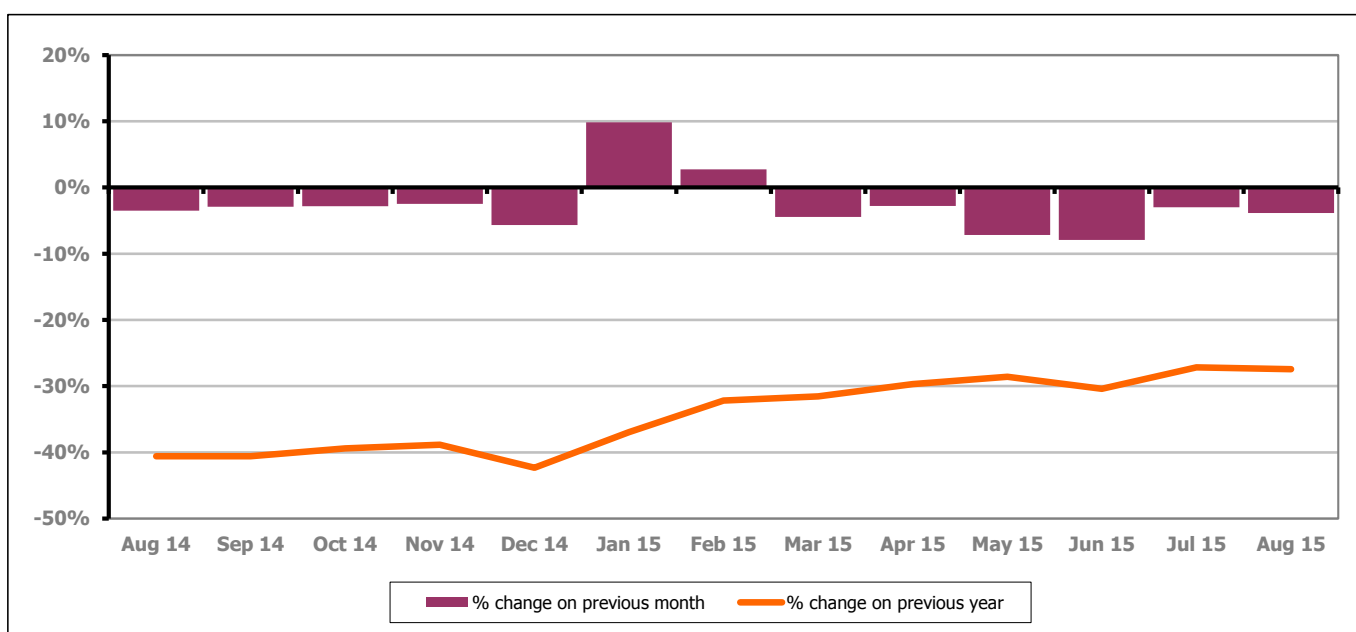


Figure 11 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant count decreased by 3.8% since July 2015. The change on the previous year has decreased between July and August 2015 to -27.4%.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.3 Forest of Dean District continued...

Figure 12: Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates across Forest of Dean District wards - August 2015

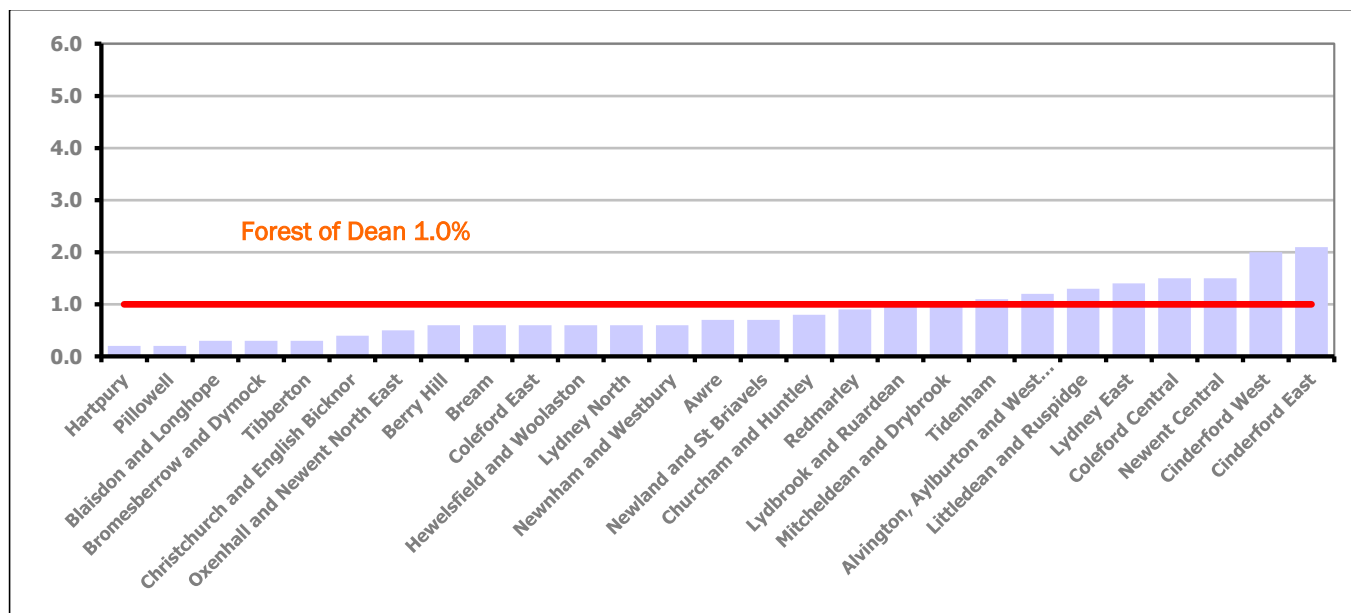
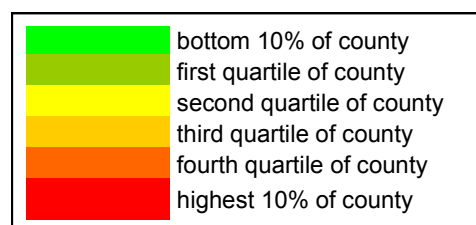


Figure 12 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Forest of Dean wards. The red line represents the average claimant rate across the District of 1.0%. Eight wards lie above the average.

Table 7: Analysis of Job Seekers Allowance claimant count at Forest of Dean ward level - August 2015

District	Ward	Rate	Rank*
Forest	Hartpur	0.2	8
Forest	Pillowell	0.2	8
Forest	Blaisdon and Longhope	0.3	12
Forest	Bromesberrow and Dymock	0.3	12
Forest	Tibberton	0.3	12
Forest	Christchurch and English Bicknor	0.4	26
Forest	Oxenhall and Newent North East	0.5	44
Forest	Berry Hill	0.6	58
Forest	Bream	0.6	58
Forest	Coleford East	0.6	58
Forest	Hewelsfield and Woolaston	0.6	58
Forest	Lydney North	0.6	58
Forest	Newnham and Westbury	0.6	58
Forest	Awre	0.7	71
Forest	Newland and St Briavels	0.7	71
Forest	Churcham and Huntley	0.8	88
Forest	Redmarley	0.9	97
Forest	Lydbrook and Ruardean	1.0	104
Forest	Mitcheldean and Drybrook	1.0	104
Forest	Tidenham	1.1	112
Forest	Alvington, Aylburton and West Lydney	1.2	117
Forest	Littledean and Ruspidge	1.3	118
Forest	Lydney East	1.4	121
Forest	Coleford Central	1.5	125
Forest	Newent Central	1.5	125
Forest	Cinderford West	2.0	133
Forest	Cinderford East	2.1	136



* 1 = "best" and 142 = "worst"

Table 7 shows overall Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for the Forest of Dean District wards and their position relative to all wards in Gloucestershire.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.4 Gloucester City

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 13: Gloucester City Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate over the last year

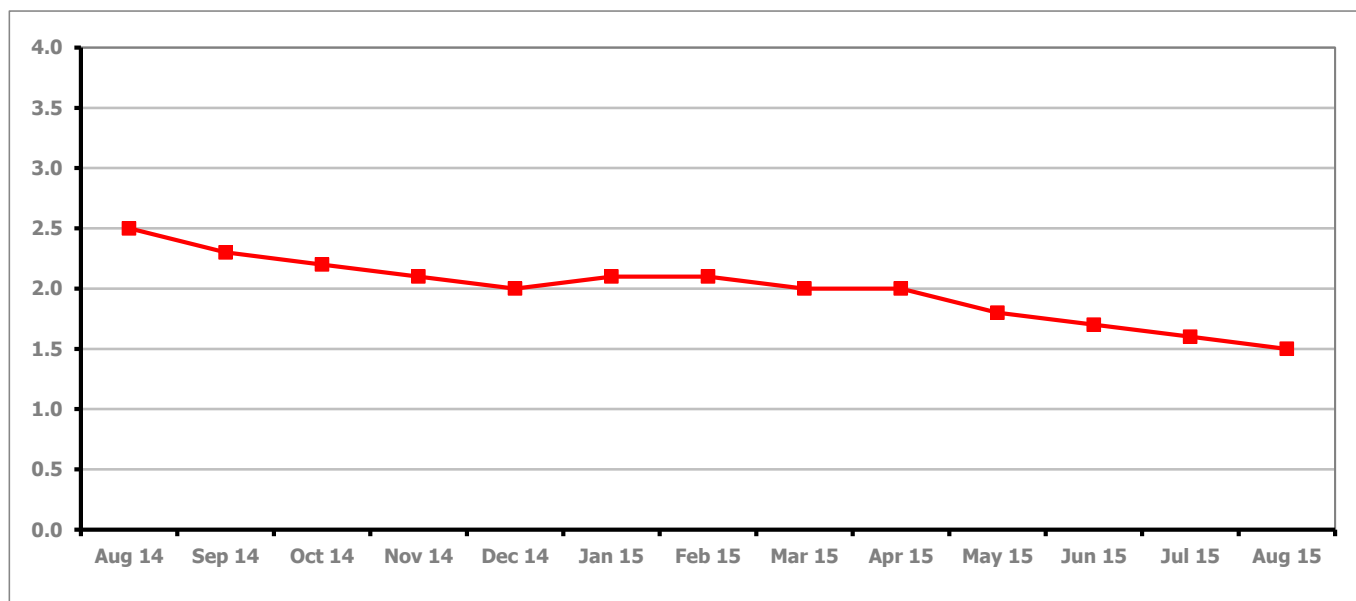


Figure 13 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for Gloucester City declined in August 2015 to 1.5%.

Figure 14: Gloucester City Job Seekers Allowance claimants - Month on Month and Year on Year change

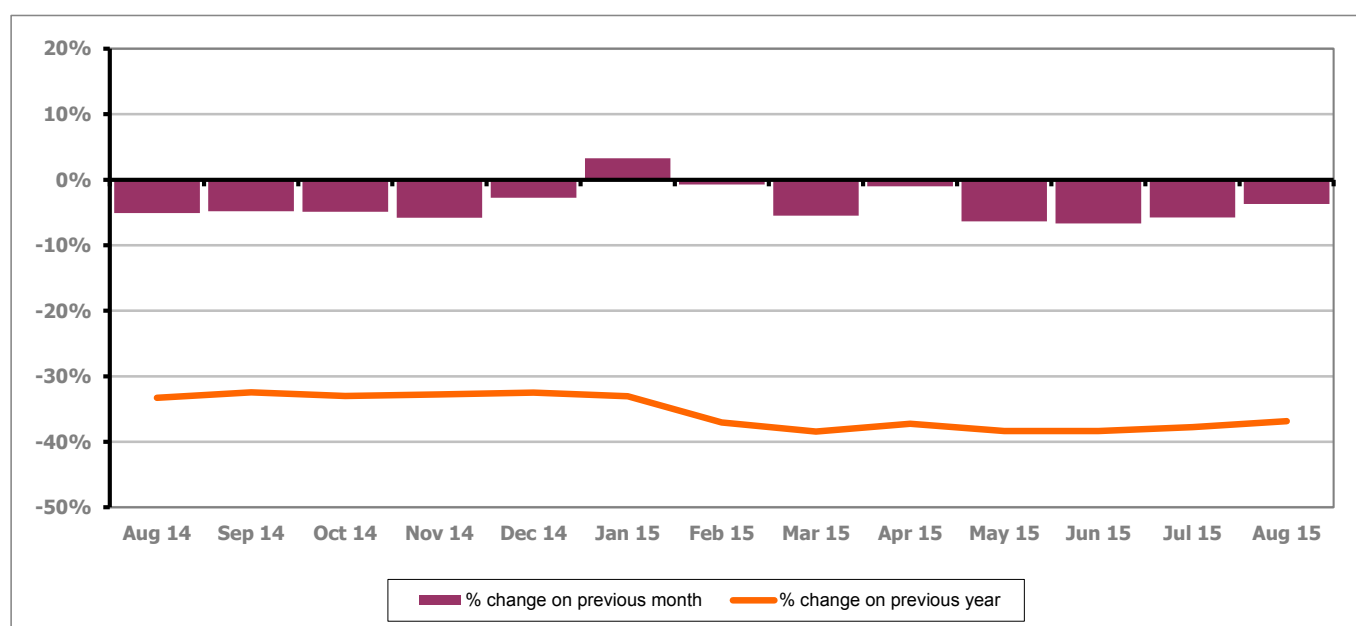


Figure 14 shows the monthly Job Seekers Allowance claimant count decreased by 3.7% since July 2015. The change on the previous year has increased between July and August 2015 to -36.8%.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.4 Gloucester City continued...

Figure 15: Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates across Gloucester City wards - August 2015

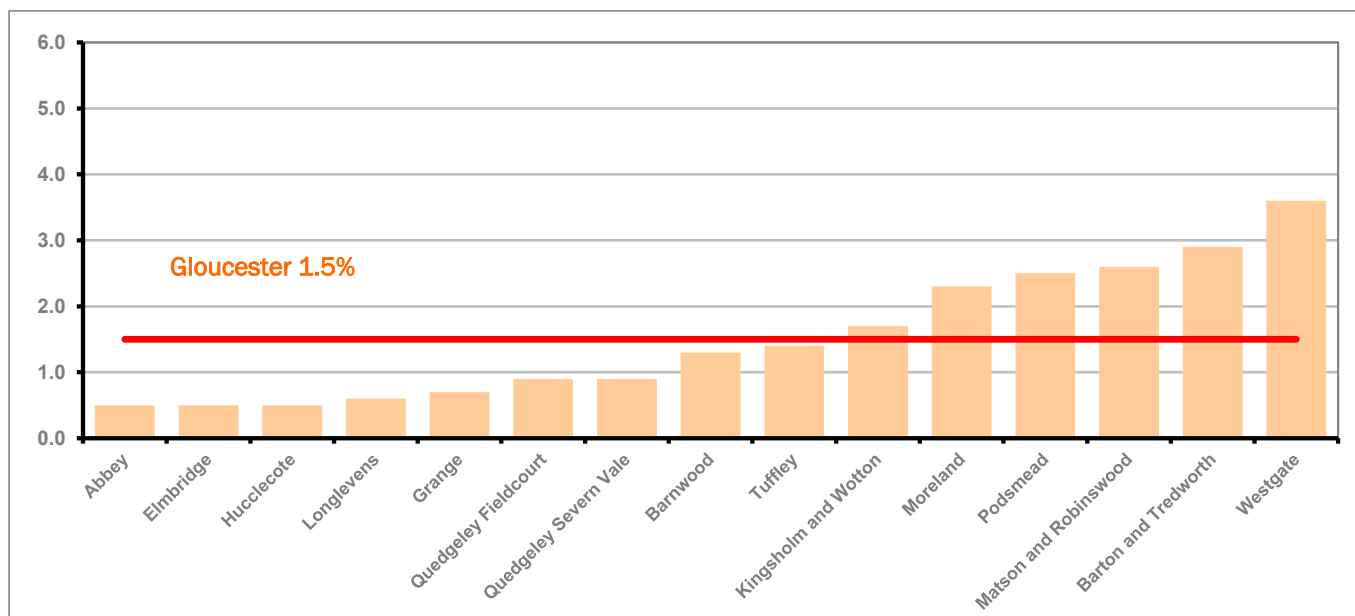


Figure 15 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Gloucester City district wards. The red line represents the average claimant rate across the City of 1.5%. Six wards lie above the average.

Table 8: Analysis of Job Seekers Allowance claimant count at Gloucester City ward level - August 2015

District	Ward	Rate	Rank*
Gloucester	Abbey	0.5	44
Gloucester	Elmbridge	0.5	44
Gloucester	Hucclecote	0.5	44
Gloucester	Longlevens	0.6	58
Gloucester	Grange	0.7	71
Gloucester	Quedgeley Fieldcourt	0.9	97
Gloucester	Quedgeley Severn Vale	0.9	97
Gloucester	Barnwood	1.3	118
Gloucester	Tuffley	1.4	121
Gloucester	Kingsholm and Wotton	1.7	131
Gloucester	Moreland	2.3	137
Gloucester	Podsmead	2.5	138
Gloucester	Matson and Robinswood	2.6	139
Gloucester	Barton and Tredworth	2.9	141
Gloucester	Westgate	3.6	142

bottom 10% of county

first quartile of county

second quartile of county

third quartile of county

fourth quartile of county

highest 10% of county

* 1 = "best" and 142 = "worst"

Table 8 shows overall Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Gloucester City wards and their position relative to all wards in Gloucestershire.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.5 Stroud District

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 16: Stroud District Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate over the last year

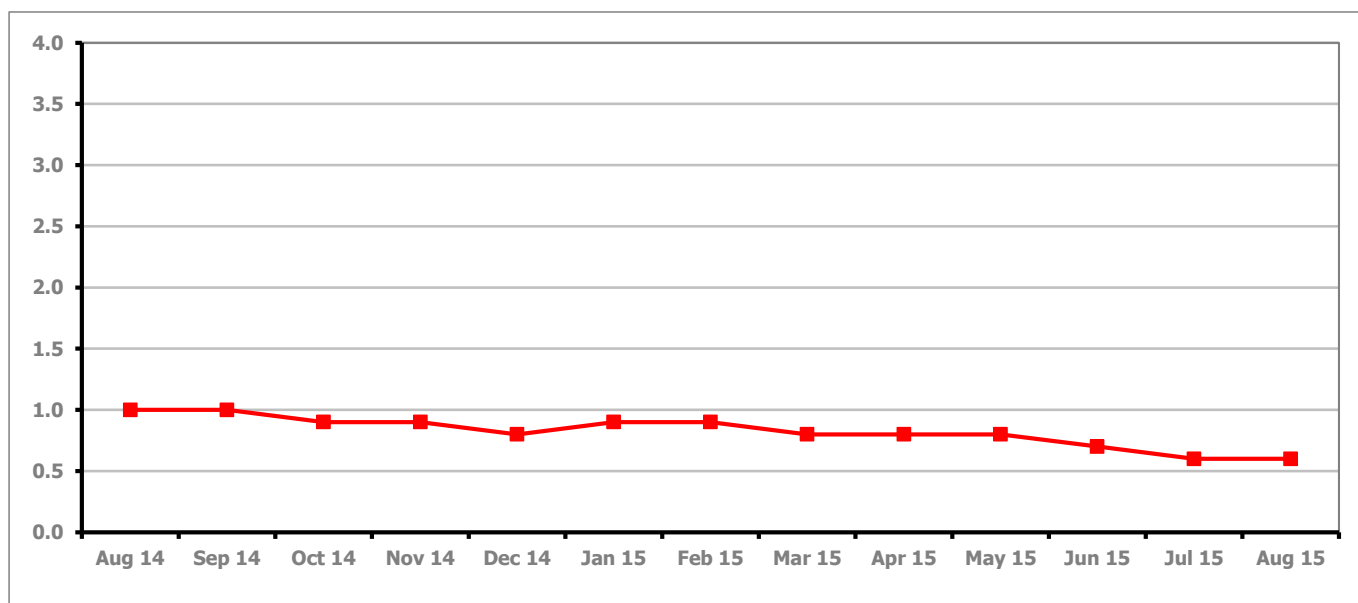


Figure 16 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for Stroud remained the same in August 2015 at 0.6%.

Figure 17: Stroud District Job Seekers Allowance claimants - Month on Month and Year on Year change

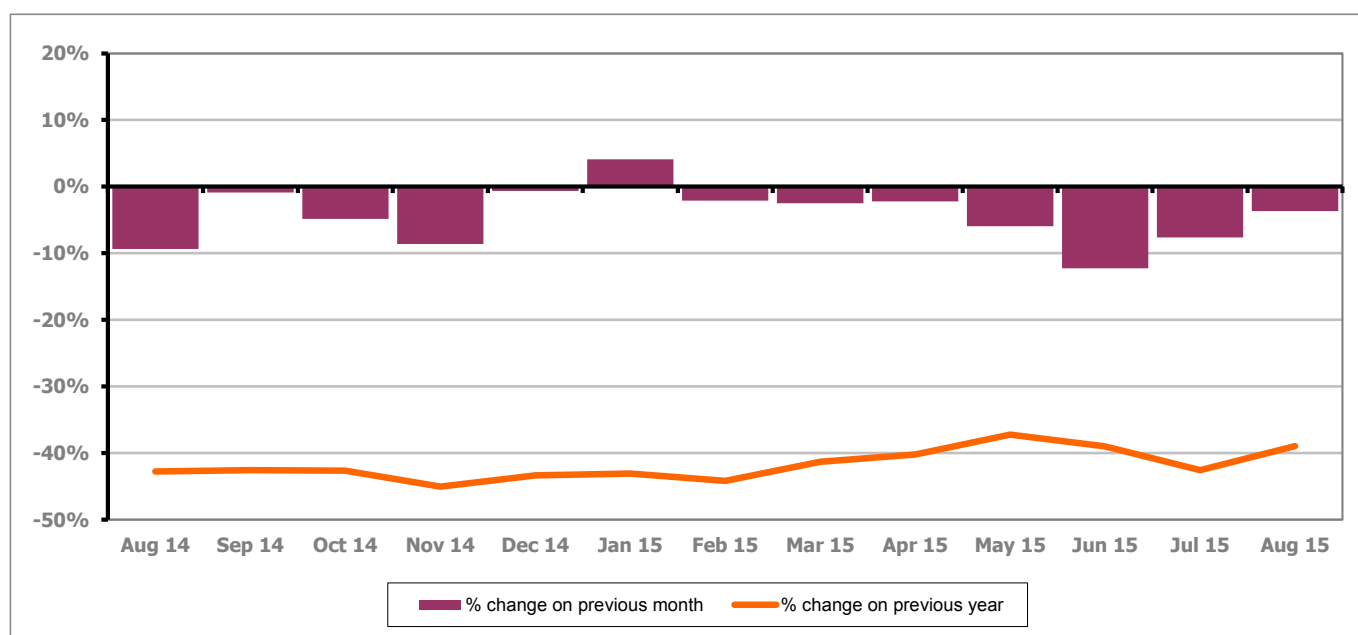


Figure 17 shows the monthly Job Seekers Allowance claimant count decreased by 3.7% since July 2015. The change on the previous year has increased between July and August 2015 to -39.0%.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.5 Stroud District continued...

Figure 18: Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates across Stroud District wards - August 2015

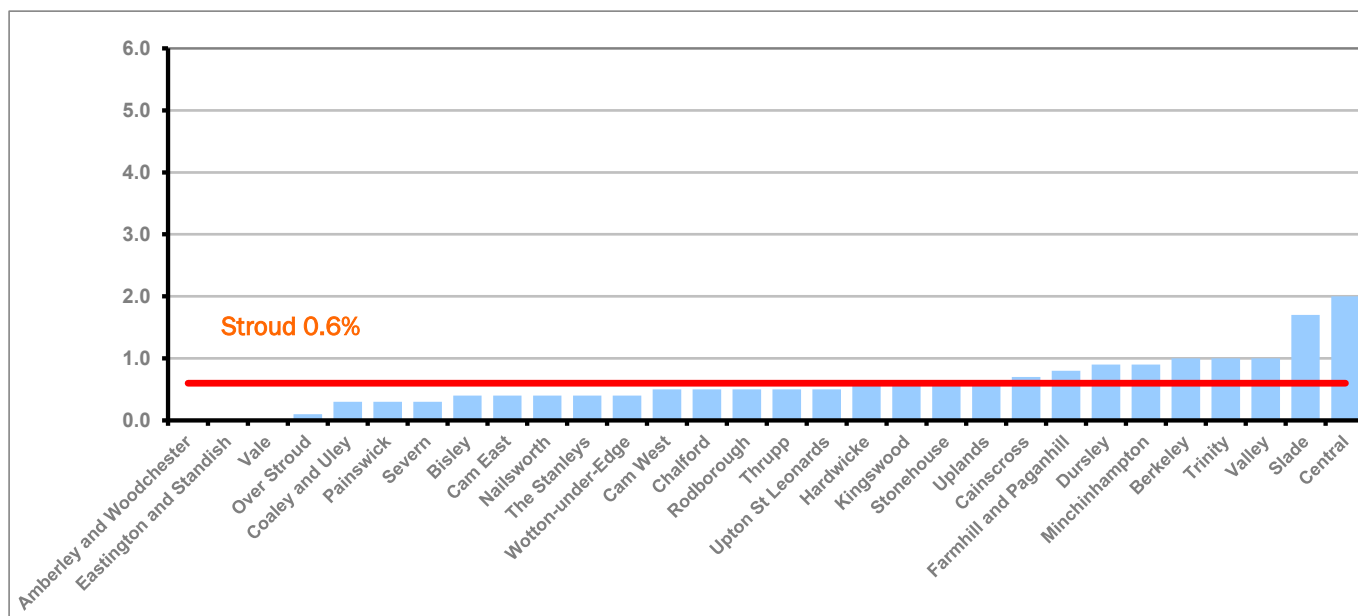
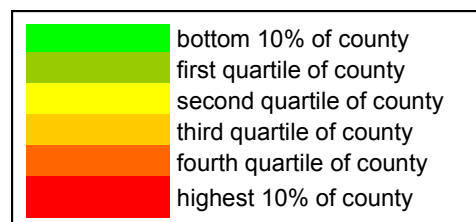


Figure 18 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates in Stroud District. The red line represents the average claimant rate across the District of 0.6%. Nine wards are above the average.

Table 9: Analysis of Job Seekers Allowance claimant count at Stroud District ward level - August 2015

District	Ward	Rate	Rank*
Stroud	Amberley and Woodchester	<0.1	1
Stroud	Eastington and Standish	<0.1	1
Stroud	Vale	<0.1	1
Stroud	Over Stroud	0.1	7
Stroud	Coaley and Uley	0.3	12
Stroud	Painswick	0.3	12
Stroud	Severn	0.3	12
Stroud	Bisley	0.4	26
Stroud	Cam East	0.4	26
Stroud	Nailsworth	0.4	26
Stroud	The Stanleys	0.4	26
Stroud	Wotton-under-Edge	0.4	26
Stroud	Cam West	0.5	44
Stroud	Chalford	0.5	44
Stroud	Rodborough	0.5	44
Stroud	Thrupp	0.5	44
Stroud	Upton St Leonards	0.5	44
Stroud	Hardwicke	0.6	58
Stroud	Kingswood	0.6	58
Stroud	Stonehouse	0.6	58
Stroud	Uplands	0.6	58
Stroud	Cainscross	0.7	71
Stroud	Farmhill and Paganhill	0.8	88
Stroud	Dursley	0.9	97
Stroud	Minchinhampton	0.9	97
Stroud	Berkeley	1.0	104
Stroud	Trinity	1.0	104
Stroud	Valley	1.0	104
Stroud	Slade	1.7	131
Stroud	Central	2.0	133



* 1 = "best" and 142 = "worst"

Table 9 shows overall Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Stroud District wards and their position relative to all wards in Gloucestershire.

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4.6 Tewkesbury District

Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 19: Tewkesbury District Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate over the last year

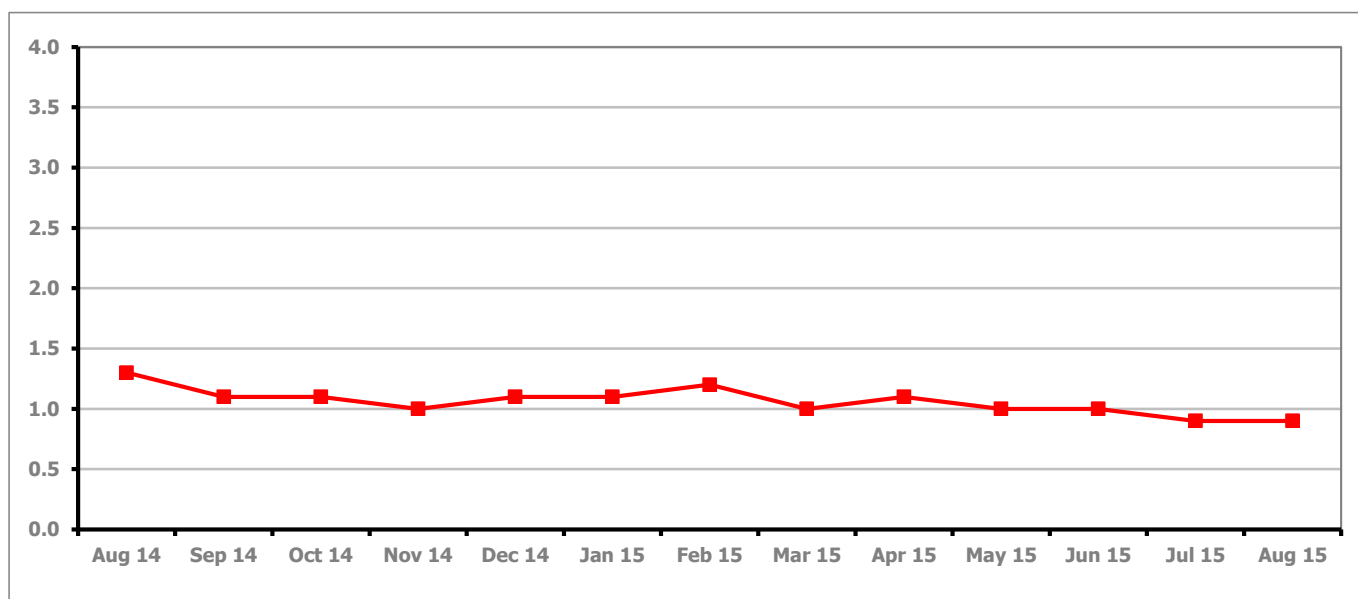


Figure 19 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for Tewkesbury District remained the same in August 2015 at 0.9%

Figure 20: Tewkesbury District Job Seekers Allowance claimants - Month on Month and Year on Year change

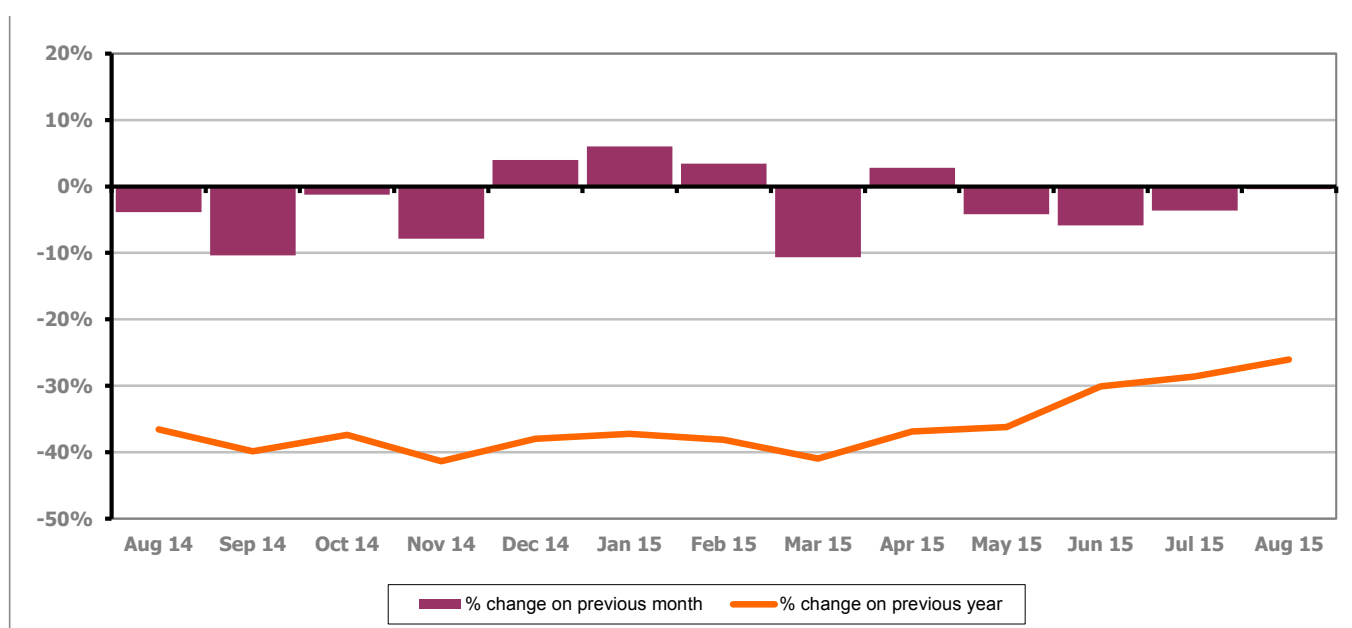


Figure 20 shows that the monthly Job Seekers Allowance claimant count decreased by 0.4% since July 2015. The change on the previous year increased between July and August 2015 to -26.0%.

PART 5: Job Seekers Allowance - District and Ward

4.6 Tewkesbury District continued...

Figure 21: Job Seekers Allowance Claimant rates across Tewkesbury District wards - August 2015

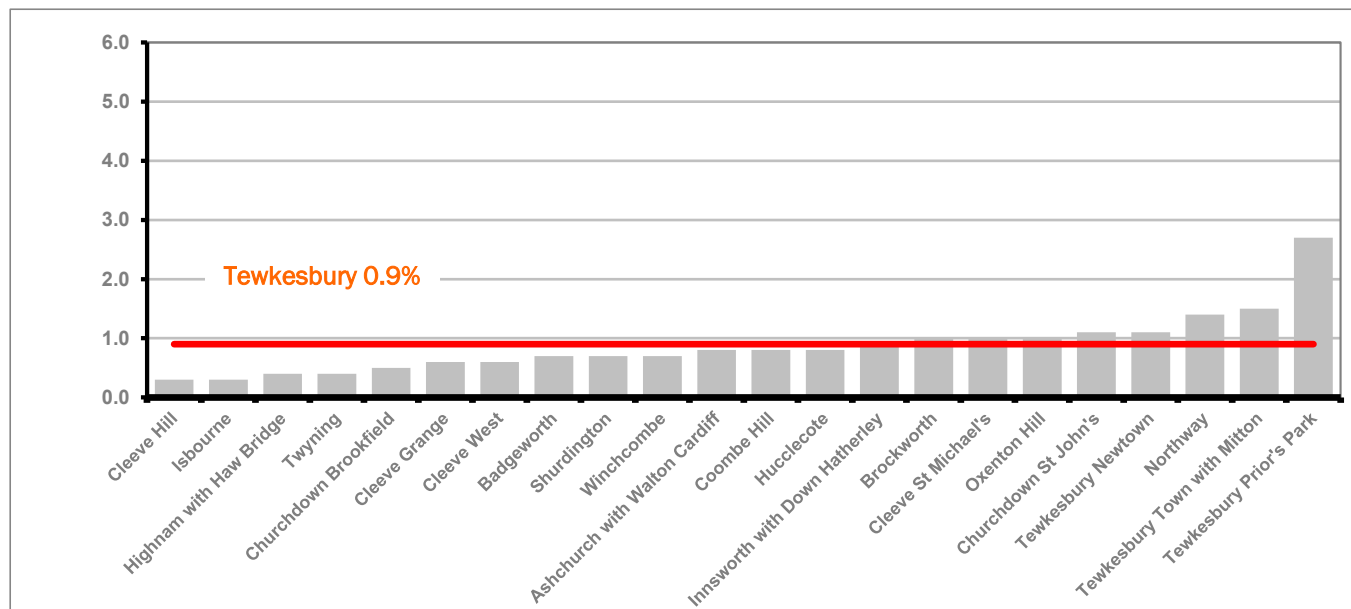


Figure 21 shows the Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates in Tewkesbury District wards. The red line represents the average claimant rate across the District of 0.9% and eight wards are above the average.

Table 10: Analysis of Job Seekers Allowance claimant count at Tewkesbury ward level - August 2015

District	Ward	Rate	Rank*
Tewkesbury	Cleeve Hill	0.3	12
Tewkesbury	Isbourne	0.3	12
Tewkesbury	Highnam with Haw Bridge	0.4	26
Tewkesbury	Twynning	0.4	26
Tewkesbury	Churchdown Brookfield	0.5	44
Tewkesbury	Cleeve Grange	0.6	58
Tewkesbury	Cleeve West	0.6	58
Tewkesbury	Badgeworth	0.7	71
Tewkesbury	Shurdington	0.7	71
Tewkesbury	Winchcombe	0.7	71
Tewkesbury	Ashchurch with Walton Cardiff	0.8	88
Tewkesbury	Coombe Hill	0.8	88
Tewkesbury	Hucclecote	0.8	88
Tewkesbury	Innsworth with Down Hatherley	0.9	97
Tewkesbury	Brockworth	1.0	104
Tewkesbury	Cleeve St Michael's	1.0	104
Tewkesbury	Oxenton Hill	1.0	104
Tewkesbury	Churchdown St John's	1.1	112
Tewkesbury	Tewkesbury Newtown	1.1	112
Tewkesbury	Northway	1.4	121
Tewkesbury	Tewkesbury Town with Mitton	1.5	125
Tewkesbury	Tewkesbury Prior's Park	2.7	140

bottom 10% of county

first quartile of county

second quartile of county

third quartile of county

fourth quartile of county

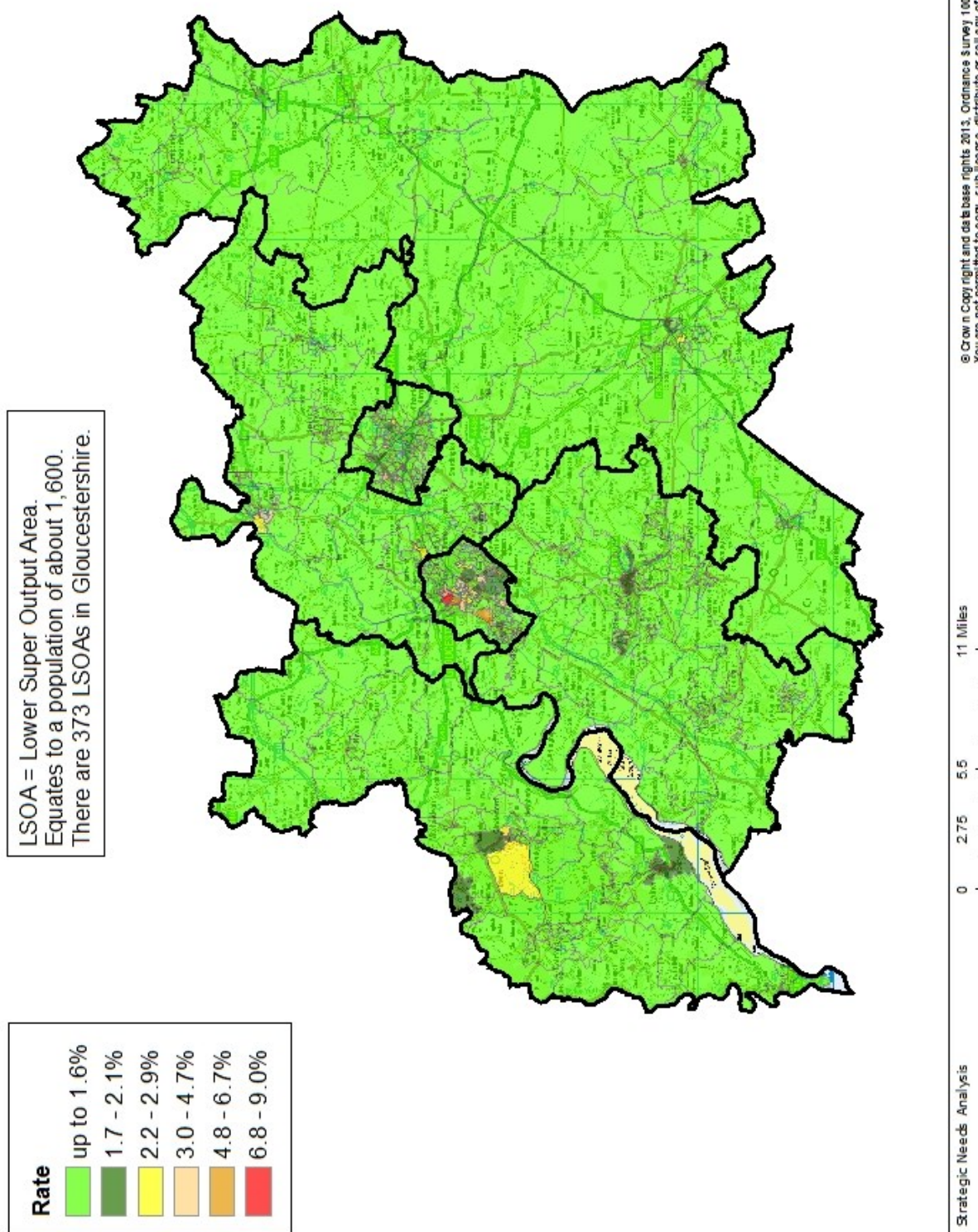
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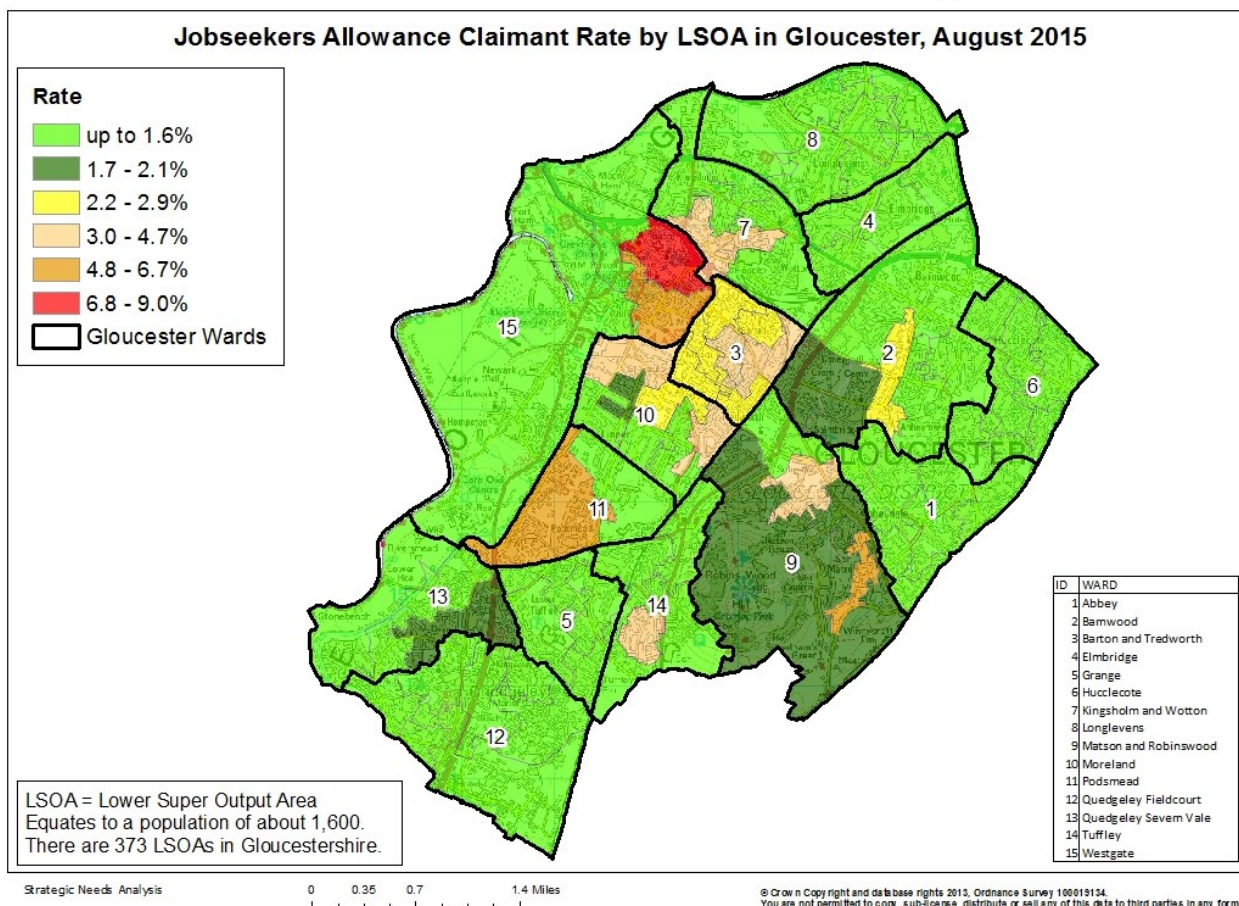
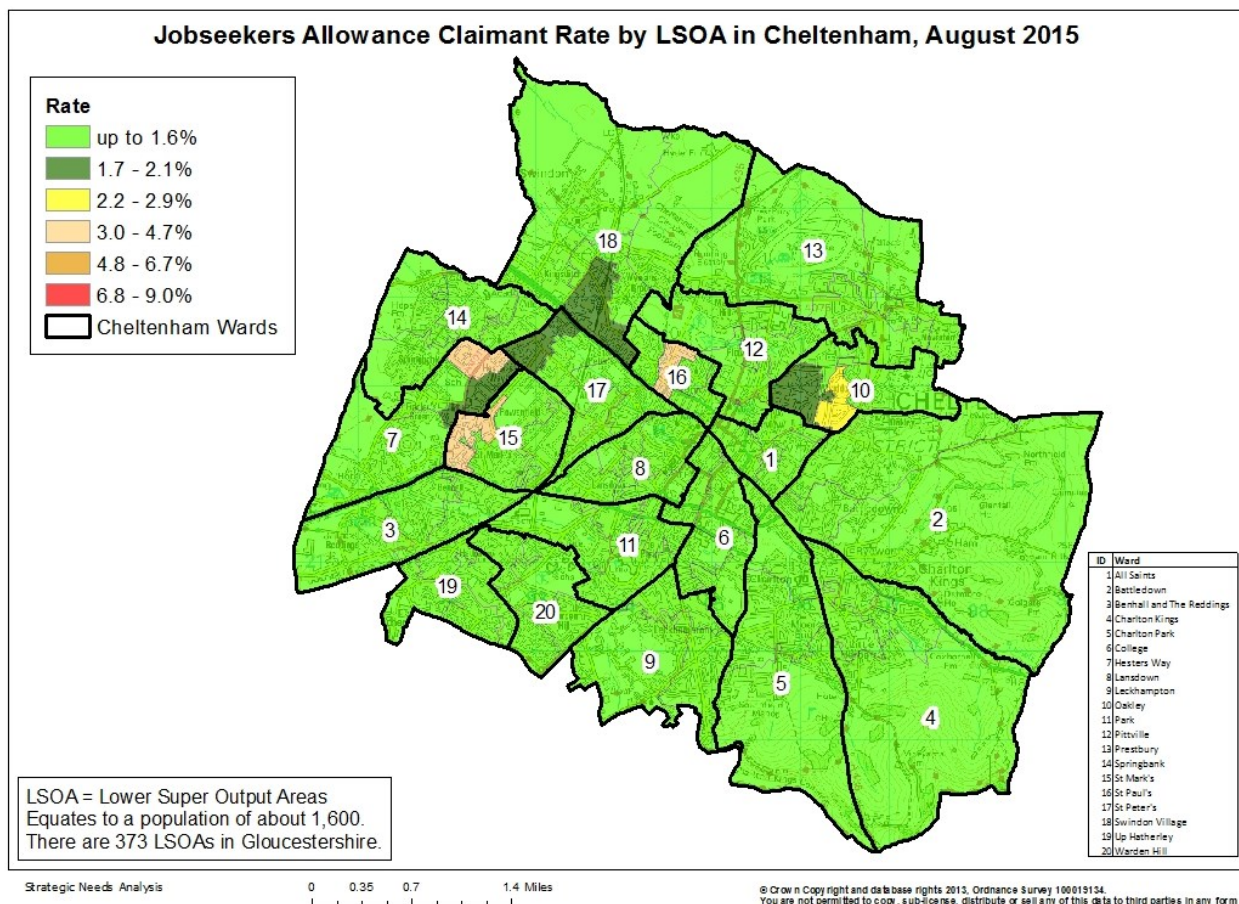
Table 10 shows overall Job Seekers Allowance claimant rates for Tewkesbury District wards and their position relative to all wards in Gloucestershire.

PART 6: Map showing distribution of Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate across Gloucestershire

Jobseekers Allowance Claimant Rate by LSOA in Gloucestershire, August 2015



PART 6: Map showing distribution of Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate across Gloucestershire



PART 7: Youth Job Seekers Allowance claimants - (18-24 year olds)

Youth Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

The Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for young people is higher than for the working age (16-64) population with 1.4% of 18-24 year olds in Gloucestershire claiming Job Seekers Allowance (1.0% for working age).

Figure 22: Youth Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate for Gloucestershire, the South West and UK over the past year

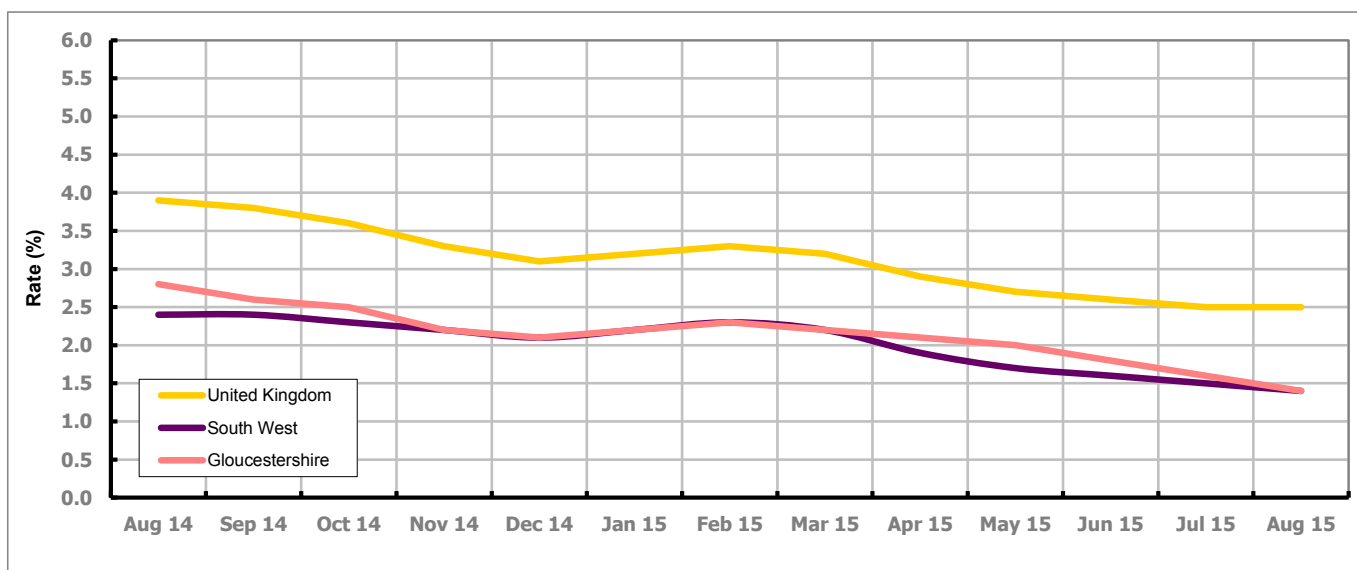


Figure 22 shows Gloucestershire's 18-24 Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate is the same as the South West average of 1.4%, but 1.1% lower than the UK average of 2.5%

Figure 23: Job Seekers Allowance claimant count for Gloucestershire over the past year

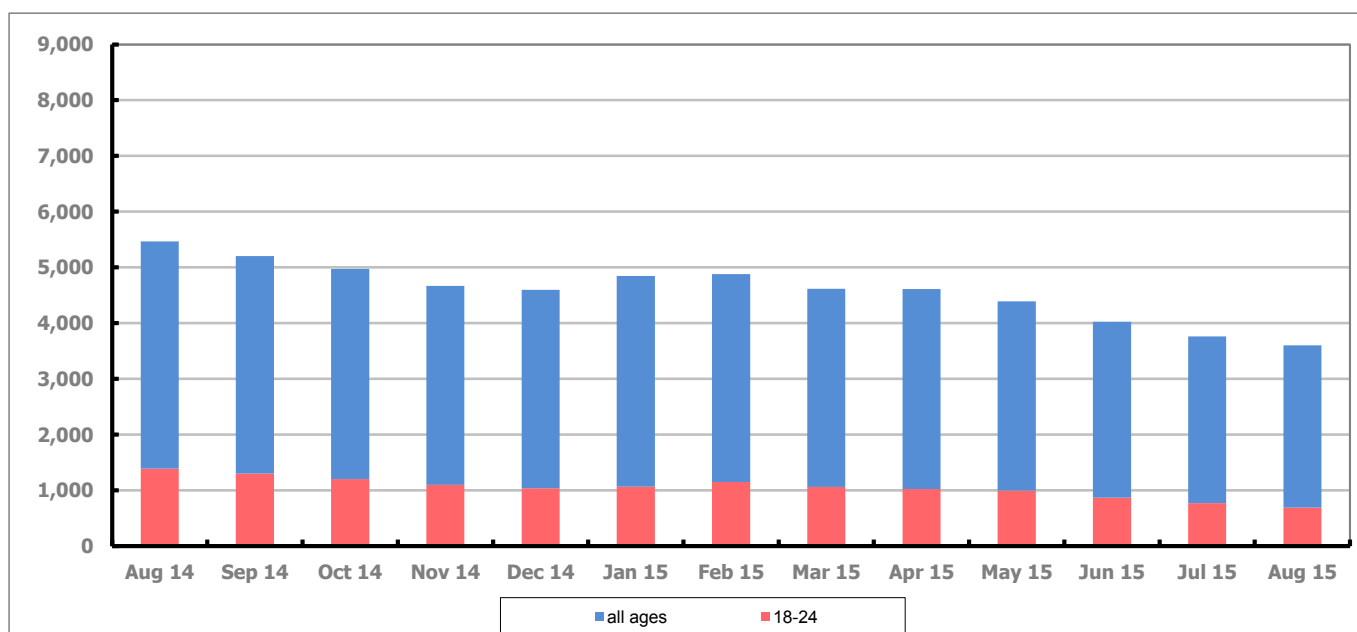


Figure 23 shows that in August 2015, 690 people aged 18-24 were claiming Job Seekers Allowance in Gloucestershire, this represents 19.1% of total working age claimants.

PART 7: Youth Job Seekers Allowance claimants - (18-24 year olds)

Youth Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate and claimant count

Figure 24: Youth Job Seekers Allowance Claimant Rate for Gloucestershire, the South West and UK over the past year

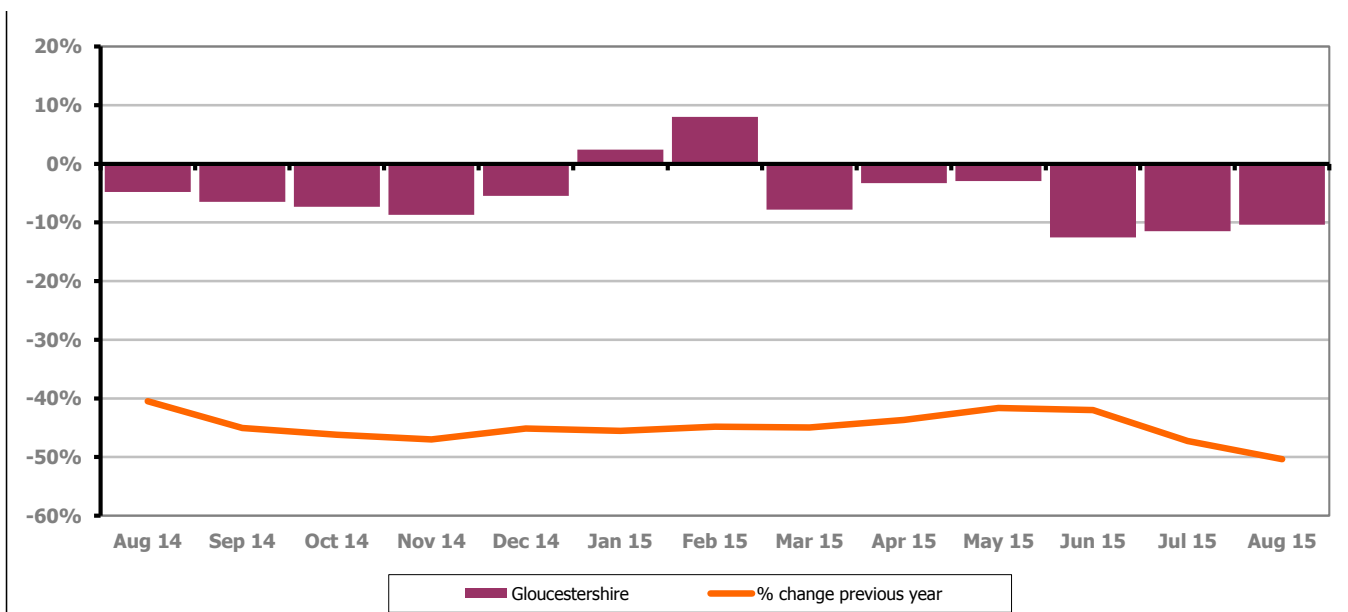


Figure 24 shows the number of young Job Seekers Allowance claimants decreased in August 2015 by 10.4% this represented 80 people. Over the last year the number of young Job Seekers Allowance claimants fell by 50.4% or 700 people.

Youth unemployment and duration of claim

Figure 25: Duration of claim in the 18-24 year age group

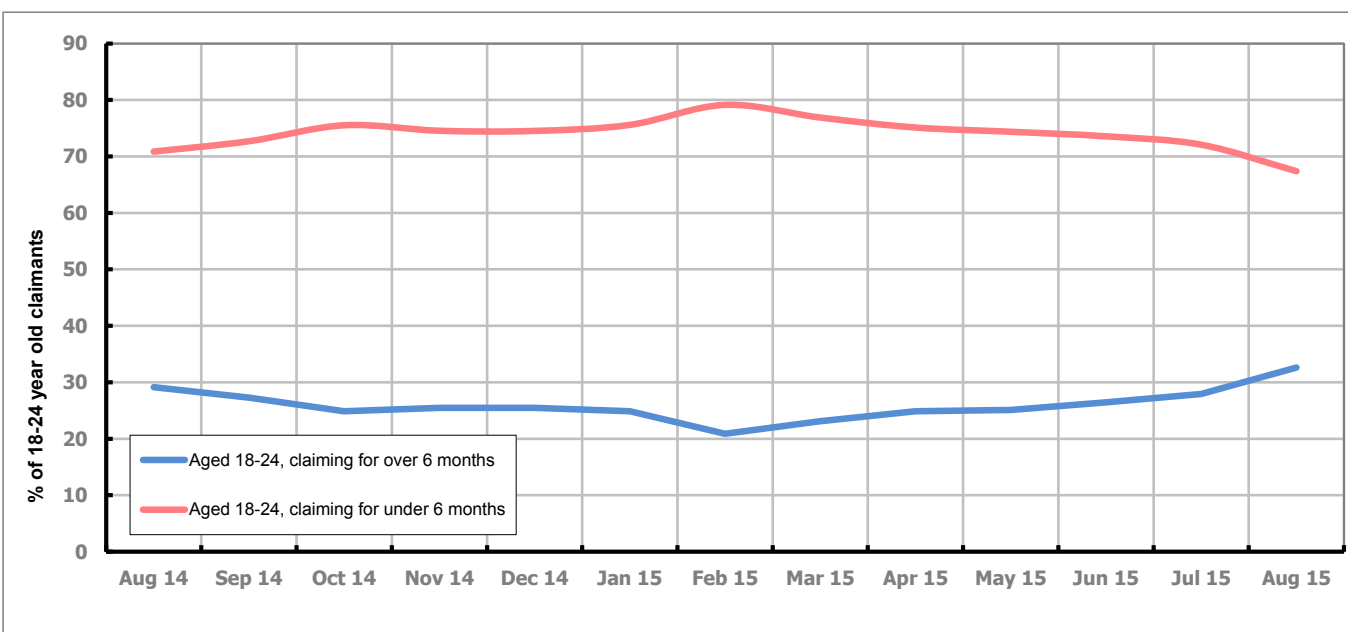


Figure 25 shows the proportion of 18-24 year olds claiming Job Seekers Allowance for less than six months decreased from 72.1% of 18-24 year old claimants in July to 67.4% in August 2015. During the same period those claiming for more then six months increased from 27.9% to 32.6%.

PART 7: Young People not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) in Gloucestershire

Data provided by Gloucestershire Youth Support Team on the situation of young people (16-18) in Gloucestershire who are not in education, employment or formal training.

Gloucestershire Youth Support Team is required to report performance with the 16-18 age range against nationally defined criteria for counting the NEET group. The NEET group includes young people actively seeking education, employment or training as well as those young people who are either not yet ready or who are unable to access these opportunities because of their personal circumstances. The figures quoted below include young people in both of these categories.

Summary

At the end of August 2015 there were 459 young people aged 16-18 not in education, employment or training in Gloucestershire and this figure translates into an adjusted (*) 16-18 NEET population of 3.90%. The total number of NEET young people increased by 19 in August 2015 compared to July 2015. All districts had a slight increase in their figures.

Total NEET Group by District Area

August 2015 NEET data

	Cheltenham	Cotswold	Forest	Gloucester	Stroud	Tewkesbury	Total
Total NEET	84	60	45	146	63	61	459
Cohort	2218	1735	1827	3035	2496	1750	13061
% NEET	3.79	3.46	2.46	4.81	2.52	3.49	3.90

If you would like to receive any further information on Gloucestershire's NEET strategy then please contact Ruth.Critchlow@Prospects.co.uk or telephone 01452 426900.

(*) Adjustment includes a proportion of young people aged 16-18 whose outcomes are not-known to Gloucestershire Youth Support Team.