

Unemployment Bulletin

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Introduction

The Unemployment Bulletin provides a monthly update of the latest unemployment and benefit data for Leicester and Leicestershire. The data is sourced from Nomis (www.nomisweb.co.uk) which contains data from the Office for National Statistics, the Department of Work and Pensions and other official sources. Some figures have been calculated by Leicestershire County Council and where this is the case it is stated in the source.

There are a number of ways of measuring unemployment and this bulletin mainly focuses on the Claimant Count which is a measure of the number or proportion of people receiving Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) and National Insurance Credits at Jobcentre Plus local offices. This is not an official measure of unemployment but it is the only indicative statistic available for areas smaller than Local Authorities.

Official estimates of unemployment in the UK are obtained from the Labour Force Survey (LFS) using the internationally agreed International Labour Organisation (ILO) definition. The ILO definition is based on the number of people without jobs who are looking for work and are available to start work (and includes people whether or not they are eligible to receive unemployment related benefits). The LFS unemployment figures which are subject to sampling differences are not reliable at small areas. The Claimant Count is released on a monthly basis and is available down to ward level, so is used as a more current indicator of unemployment levels. Using the two sources together provides a more comprehensive picture of the labour market.

There is a large degree of overlap between the Claimant Count and Unemployment (LFS ILO definition) although the latter figures are generally higher. People who are not claimants can appear among the unemployed if they are not entitled to unemployment related benefits. Similarly, claimants of unemployment related benefits may not appear in the measure of unemployment if they stated that they are not seeking or are not available to start work.

Tables 1 to 7 use Claimant Count data and Table 8 shows the Unemployment (LFS ILO definition) figures.

Table 1: Resident-Based Claimant Count (JSA) Proportions: September 2008

| Area | Claimant Count Proportion (working age) | | | Total Claimant Count | Change since last month | Previous months Proportion (change) | Previous years Proportion (change) |
|-----------------------|---|------|--------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Total | Male | Female | | | | |
| Leicester Shire | 2.5% | 3.3% | 1.5% | 14,372 | 191 | 2.4%(0.1) | 2.2% (0.3) |
| Leicestershire County | 1.5% | 1.9% | 1.0% | 5,845 | 158 | 1.4%(0.1) | 1.2% (0.3) |
| Leicester City | 4.5% | 6.3% | 2.7% | 8,527 | 33 | 4.5%(0.0) | 4.1% (0.4) |
| Rutland | 0.7% | 0.9% | 0.6% | 167 | -12 | 0.8%(-0.1) | 0.6% (0.1) |
| East Midlands | 2.4% | 3.3% | 1.4% | 64,714 | 1,604 | 2.3%(0.1) | 2.1% (0.3) |
| UK | 2.5% | 3.5% | 1.4% | 944,716 | 20,840 | 2.5%(0.0) | 2.2% (0.3) |

Source: Office for National Statistics (Nomis)

Note: Leicester Shire comprises the areas of Leicestershire County and Leicester City only.

National Statistics will release the October 2008 unemployment figures on Wednesday 12th November 2008.

Archived Unemployment Bulletins and other reports produced by Leicestershire County Council, the LSEP and partners are available on the Leicestershire Statistics and Research Online website, www.lsr-online.org

Table 2: Resident-Based Claimant Count (JSA) Proportions: September 2008

| Districts | Claimant Count Proportion (working age) | Total Claimant Count | Change since last month | Previous months Proportion (change) | Previous years Proportion (change) |
|---------------------|---|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Oadby & Wigston | 1.8% | 602 | 2 | 1.8%(0.0) | 1.6%(0.2) |
| Hinckley & Bosworth | 1.6% | 1,041 | 27 | 1.6%(0.0) | 1.3%(0.3) |
| Charnwood | 1.6% | 1,648 | 50 | 1.5%(0.1) | 1.4%(0.2) |
| NW Leicestershire | 1.5% | 834 | 22 | 1.5%(0.0) | 1.4%(0.1) |
| Blaby | 1.4% | 806 | 47 | 1.3%(0.1) | 1.0%(0.4) |
| Melton | 1.2% | 363 | -23 | 1.3%(-0.1) | 1.0%(0.2) |
| Harborough | 1.1% | 551 | 33 | 1.1%(0.0) | 0.8%(0.3) |

Source: Office for National Statistics (Nomis)

Table 3: Resident-Based Claimant Count (JSA) Proportions: in Market Towns; September 2008.

| Market Towns | Claimant Count Proportion (working age) | Total Claimant Count | Previous months Proportion (change) | Previous years Proportion (change) |
|--|---|----------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Loughborough (including Hathern) | 2.0% | 774 | 2.0%(0.0) | 1.9%(0.1) |
| Hinckley (inc. Burbage & Earl Shilton) | 1.9% | 639 | 1.9%(0.0) | 1.8%(0.1) |
| Coalville | 1.9% | 396 | 1.8%(0.1) | 1.9%(0.0) |
| Wigston | 1.8% | 273 | 1.7%(0.1) | 1.6%(0.2) |
| Oadby | 1.5% | 201 | 1.4% (0.1) | 1.7%(-0.2) |
| Melton Mowbray | 1.4% | 226 | 1.6%(-0.2) | 1.5%(-0.1) |
| Market Harborough | 1.4% | 173 | 1.4%(0.0) | 1.3%(0.1) |
| Ashby de la Zouch | 1.3% | 91 | 1.3%(0.0) | 1.4%(-0.1) |
| Oakham | 0.7% | 43 | 0.7%(0.0) | 0.7%(0.0) |

Source: Office for National Statistics (Nomis); Market Town geographies defined by Leicestershire County Council and figures calculated using ONS Claimant Count (JSA) figures and denominators

Table 4: Claimant Count (JSA) by Age and Duration; September 2008.

| Area | 18-24 years old | | | | Over 25 years old | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| | Up to 6 months | 6-12 months | 13-18 months | Over 18 months | Up to 6 months | 6-12 months | 13-18 months | Over 18 months |
| Blaby | 235 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 425 | 70 | 30 | 15 |
| Charnwood | 500 | 40 | 5 | 0 | 800 | 180 | 65 | 45 |
| Harborough | 165 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 300 | 40 | 25 | 5 |
| Hinckley & Bosworth | 275 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 565 | 105 | 40 | 15 |
| Melton | 115 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 200 | 30 | 5 | 5 |
| NW Leicestershire | 235 | 25 | 0 | 5 | 440 | 80 | 25 | 25 |
| Oadby & Wigston | 170 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 300 | 75 | 20 | 20 |
| Leicester City | 2,145 | 325 | 15 | 5 | 3,805 | 1,280 | 575 | 320 |
| Leicestershire County | 1,695 | 160 | 10 | 5 | 3,025 | 580 | 205 | 135 |
| Rutland | 35 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 20 | 5 | 5 |
| Leicester Shire | 3,840 | 485 | 20 | 10 | 6,830 | 1,860 | 780 | 455 |

Source: Office for National Statistics (Nomis) Note: Figures are rounded to the nearest 5.

Claimant Count (JSA) by Ethnicity

JSA benefit data have been published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) for many years as a key labour market indicator. In November 2006 ONS published JSA claimant data by ethnicity for the first time. The data is available for the detailed ethnic groups down to Local Authority level and is backdated to April 2005.

JSA claimant data by ethnicity has been included in Tables 5, 6, and 7 of this bulletin. The JSA data by ethnicity used in these table is a month in arrears of the other Claimant Count data in the other tables in the bulletin.

For more information, please see; www.nomisweb.co.uk/articles/news/files/DWP_Ethnicity_JSA.pdf

Table 5: Claimant County (JSA) by Ethnicity; August 2008.

| Area | White | Mixed | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | 'Non White' | Prefer not to say / Unknown |
|-----------------------|---------|--------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| Blaby | 625 | 5 | 10 | 45 | 10 | 75 | 60 |
| Charnwood | 1,275 | 10 | 10 | 145 | 35 | 205 | 120 |
| Harborough | 470 | 5 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 25 | 25 |
| Hinckley & Bosworth | 880 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 20 | 110 |
| Melton | 370 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 10 |
| NW Leicestershire | 760 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 45 |
| Oadby & Wigston | 410 | 10 | 10 | 125 | 5 | 150 | 40 |
| Leicester City | 4,170 | 200 | 780 | 2,390 | 265 | 3,630 | 690 |
| Leicestershire County | 4,790 | 40 | 45 | 345 | 60 | 490 | 405 |
| Leicester Shire | 8,965 | 240 | 825 | 2,735 | 325 | 4,120 | 1,095 |
| East Midlands | 50,305 | 1,050 | 2,520 | 4,010 | 830 | 8,415 | 4,200 |
| Great Britain | 676,140 | 14,375 | 55,665 | 51,420 | 18,170 | 139,635 | 76,055 |

Note: Figures are rounded to the nearest 5.

Sources: Office for National Statistics (Nomis)

Table 6: Resident-based Claimant Count (JSA) Proportions by Ethnicity; August 2008.

| Area | White | Mixed | Black or Black British | Asian or Asian British | Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | 'Non White' |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Blaby | 0.7% | 0.5% | 1.3% | 1.1% | 1.7% | 1.2% |
| Charnwood | 0.9% | 0.5% | 0.7% | 1.3% | 1.2% | 1.2% |
| Harborough | 0.6% | 0.6% | 0.0% | 1.0% | 0.0% | 0.7% |
| Hinckley & Bosworth | 0.9% | 0.0% | 1.3% | 0.4% | 1.0% | 0.5% |
| Melton | 0.8% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.4% |
| NW Leicestershire | 0.9% | 0.0% | 1.3% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.2% |
| Oadby & Wigston | 0.9% | 1.3% | 1.3% | 1.6% | 0.8% | 1.5% |
| Leicester City | 2.3% | 2.8% | 6.3% | 2.9% | 7.0% | 3.4% |
| Leicestershire County | 0.8% | 0.6% | 1.0% | 1.2% | 1.1% | 1.1% |
| Leicester Shire | 1.2% | 1.8% | 4.9% | 2.4% | 3.6% | 2.7% |
| East Midlands | 1.3% | 1.9% | 4.3% | 2.0% | 2.2% | 2.4% |

Source: Office for National Statistics (Nomis). Proportions calculated by Leicestershire County Council using ONS mid-2005 experimental estimates of population by ethnic group, published October 2007

Table 7: Claimant Count (JSA) by Ethnicity, Gender and Age; August 2008.

| | Total | Male | | | | Female | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|---------------|------------|------------|----------|---------------|------------|------------|----------|
| | | Aged under 18 | Aged 18-24 | Aged 25-49 | Aged 50+ | Aged under 18 | Aged 18-24 | Aged 25-49 | Aged 50+ |
| Leicester Shire | | | | | | | | | |
| 'White' | 8960 | 45 | 1,895 | 3,405 | 1,115 | 30 | 920 | 1,080 | 470 |
| 'Non-white' | 4120 | 5 | 675 | 1,685 | 425 | 0 | 430 | 615 | 285 |
| Leicester City | | | | | | | | | |
| 'White' | 4175 | 30 | 895 | 1,695 | 490 | 20 | 420 | 450 | 175 |
| 'Non-white' | 3635 | 5 | 590 | 1,500 | 375 | 0 | 375 | 540 | 250 |
| Leicestershire County | | | | | | | | | |
| 'White' | 4785 | 15 | 1,000 | 1,710 | 625 | 15 | 500 | 630 | 290 |
| 'Non-white' | 490 | 0 | 85 | 185 | 55 | 0 | 55 | 80 | 30 |

Source: Office for National Statistics (Nomis)

Unemployment: International Labour Organisation (ILO) Definition

Official estimates of unemployment in the UK are obtained from the Labour Force Survey (LFS) using the internationally agreed International Labour Organisation (ILO) definition. The ILO definition is based on the number of people without jobs who are looking for and available to start work. The LFS unemployment figures which are subject to sampling differences are not available for smaller areas. The Claimant Count is released on a monthly basis and is available down to ward level, so is used as a more current indicator of unemployment levels.

Table 8: Unemployment Rates: ILO Definition; January 2007 - December 2007

| Area | ILO Unemployment Rate (working age) | Total Persons ILO Unemployed | Claimant Count (JSA) Totals (September 2008) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| United Kingdom | 5.3% | 1,565,200 | 944,716 |
| East Midlands | 5.1% | 111,100 | 64,714 |
| Leicester Shire | 5.0% | 23,600 | 14,372 |
| Leicester City | 10.0% | 14,000 | 8,527 |
| Leicestershire County | 2.9% | 9,600 | 5,845 |

Source: Labour Force Survey/Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics (Nomis)

Other Department for Work and Pensions Benefits Statistics

Job Seekers Allowance is one of a number of types of benefit which is related to worklessness, and recipients of this benefit constitute the most visible group of people who are out of work. However, many people have been diverted away from Job Seekers Allowance on to other benefits, the largest number being onto Incapacity Benefit. Nationally, the number of people claiming Incapacity Benefit is over three times the number of people out of work and claiming JSA.

The government recently published a Green Paper on welfare reform in which it is argued that to meet the goal of reaching a UK employment rate of 80%, more people on inactive benefits must be moved into work, particularly those who have been on benefits for a long time.

One method of classifying benefit claimants is by breaking them down into statistical groups. This presents the main reason why an individual is claiming benefit. Benefits are arranged hierarchically and claimants are assigned to the top most benefit which they receive. In this way each claimant only appears once, even though they may claim more than one benefit - the total number of working-age people who are claiming one or more key benefits is often used as a proxy for worklessness.

These figures are provided by the Department for Work and Pensions and are updated quarterly.

Table 9: Working-age people claiming one or more key DWP benefit by duration; February 2008

| Area | All benefits | | Duration (proportion of all claimants) | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------|--|-------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| | Number | Rate | <6mths | 6mths - 1yr | 1yr - 2yrs | 2yrs - 5yrs | +5yrs |
| Blaby | 4,360 | 7.7% | 18% | 9% | 10% | 18% | 45% |
| Charnwood | 9,100 | 8.6% | 21% | 9% | 11% | 18% | 42% |
| Harborough | 3,240 | 6.6% | 19% | 8% | 10% | 18% | 46% |
| Hinckley & Bosworth | 5,880 | 9.1% | 21% | 9% | 10% | 18% | 42% |
| Melton | 2,180 | 7.3% | 19% | 7% | 10% | 18% | 46% |
| NW Leicestershire | 6,050 | 11.0% | 19% | 7% | 11% | 18% | 46% |
| Oadby and Wigston | 3,030 | 8.9% | 21% | 9% | 10% | 18% | 42% |
| Leicester City | 35,770 | 19.0% | 22% | 9% | 11% | 18% | 40% |
| Leicestershire County | 33,820 | 8.6% | 20% | 8% | 10% | 18% | 44% |
| Rutland | 1,270 | 5.5% | 20% | 9% | 10% | 17% | 44% |
| East Midlands | 355,380 | 13.1% | 19% | 8% | 10% | 18% | 45% |
| Great Britain | 5,156,000 | 14.1% | 19% | 8% | 10% | 18% | 46% |

Source: Department of Work and Pension (Nomis)

Table 10: Benefit Claimants by Statistical Group - Main reason for claiming benefit; February 2008

| Statistical group | East Midlands | | Leicester City | | Leicestershire County | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-------|----------------|-------|-----------------------|------|
| | Number | Rate | Number | Rate | Number | Rate |
| Incapacity Benefits | 178,550 | 6.6% | 15,820 | 8.4% | 16,570 | 4.2% |
| Job Seeker | 55,250 | 2.0% | 7,390 | 3.9% | 4,750 | 1.2% |
| Lone Parent | 46,280 | 1.7% | 6,100 | 3.2% | 3,700 | 0.9% |
| Carer | 29,940 | 1.1% | 2,770 | 1.5% | 3,280 | 0.8% |
| Disabled | 27,430 | 1.0% | 1,950 | 1.0% | 3,330 | 0.8% |
| Others on income related benefit | 10,520 | 0.4% | 1,250 | 0.7% | 1,030 | 0.3% |
| Bereaved | 7,410 | 0.3% | 480 | 0.3% | 1,150 | 0.3% |
| Total | 355,380 | 13.1% | 35,770 | 19.0% | 33,820 | 8.6% |

Source: Department of Work and Pension (Nomis)

Note: Benefits are arranged hierarchically and claimants are assigned to the top most benefit they receive. Each claimant appears once only, even though some claim more than one benefit, permitting the estimation of the total number of people claiming one or more benefits. The Statistical Group hierarchy is a) Jobseeker b) Incapacity benefits c) Lone parents d) Carers e) Other income-related benefits f) Disabled g) Bereaved h) Housing Benefit i) receiving State Pension only. Thus a person who is a lone parent and receives Incapacity Benefit would be classified as receiving incapacity benefits. This is only one of the possible ways in which claimants could be classified and alternative classifications are possible.

For more information about DWP statistics and research www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/data_guide.asp

Definitions

Claimant Count - the count of claimants of unemployment related benefits is based on the administrative records of people claiming these benefits. Since October 1996 this has been the number of people claiming Job Seekers Allowance (JSA). The publication of claimant count figures is normally five weeks after the date to which they refer. The claimant count is accurate down to very small geographic areas and is unaffected by sampling variability since it is a 100% count. This means it can be used as an indicator of those without work down to small areas.

Resident-based Claimant Count Proportions - express the number of claimants resident in an area as a percentage of the working age population resident in that area. Claimant count rates can also be expressed as a proportion of the workforce jobs in an area, however in smaller areas using workforce job-based rates can cause distortions in the rates caused by commuting patterns. Using resident-based proportions avoids this distortion.

Unemployment (LFS ILO definition) - The definition of unemployment is internationally agreed and recommended by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) - an agency of the United Nations. Many countries use this definition. By this definition unemployed people are:

- without a job, want a job, have actively sought work in the last 4 weeks and are available to start work in the next 2 weeks, or
- out of work, have found a job and are waiting to start it in the next 2 weeks

Unemployment Rate (LFS ILO definition) - expresses the number of unemployed people resident in an area as a percentage of the economically active working age population resident in that area.

Labour Force Survey - The Labour Force Survey is a random sample survey which is carried out throughout the UK. It is conducted every three months using around 53,000 households. The survey collects information about the personal circumstances and work of everyone living in these households. The Office for National Statistics (ONS) uses the Labour Force Survey as its source for unemployment data. Unemployment is measured through questions asked in the survey and not by interviewing everybody in the country. Answers are then weighted to represent everyone. As with any sample survey there is sampling variability and this is high for areas below regional level. Therefore, the figures are not reliable for small areas. Each month the ONS releases statistics on the number of people who are unemployed in the United Kingdom for the latest available 3-month rolling period.

Economically Active - people aged 16 or over who are either in employment or are unemployed (LFS ILO definition)

Economically Inactive - people aged 16 or over who are neither in employment nor unemployed (LFS ILO definition) - e.g. they do not have a job and do not want a job. This group includes, for example, those who are looking after the family and/or home or retired.

Working Age Population - Working age is defined as 16-64 for males and 16-59 for females. The working age population figures are derived from mid-year population estimates which are compatible with the 2001 Census.

Benefit Claimants Statistical Group - Benefits are arranged hierarchically and claimants are assigned to the top most benefit they receive. Each claimant appears once only, even though some claim more than one benefit, permitting the estimation of the total number of people claiming one or more benefits. The Statistical Group hierarchy is a) Jobseeker b) Incapacity benefits c) Lone parents d) Carers e) Other income-related benefits f) Disabled g) Bereaved h) Housing Benefit i) receiving State Pension only. Thus a person who is a lone parent and receives Incapacity Benefit would be classified as receiving incapacity benefits. The total number of working-age people who are claiming one or more key benefits is often used as a proxy for worklessness. This is only one of the possible ways in which claimants could be classified and alternative classifications are possible.

For further information on unemployment statistics please refer to the document entitled 'How exactly is unemployment measured?' which is produced by the Office for National Statistics:

www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_labour/unemployment.pdf

For further information about Department of Work and Pensions statistics and research:

www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/data_guide.asp

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**Claimant Count (JSA) Ward Data
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| | | | Blaby District | | | | | |
|------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| | | | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % |
| Code | Wards (resident-based proportions) | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 3IUBFY | Blaby South | 37 | 15 | 52 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 1.8 |
| 2 | 3IUBFZ | Cosby with South Whetstone | 18 | 11 | 29 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| 3 | 3IUBGA | Countesthorpe | 38 | 14 | 52 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 1.2 |
| 4 | 3IUBGB | Croft Hill | 3 | 7 | 10 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| 5 | 3IUBGC | Ellis | 32 | 9 | 41 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 1.3 |
| 6 | 3IUBGD | Enderby and St. John's | 30 | 15 | 45 | 2.4 | 1.3 | 1.9 |
| 7 | 3IUBGE | Fairestone | 28 | 12 | 40 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| 8 | 3IUBGF | Forest | 37 | 10 | 47 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 1.1 |
| 9 | 3IUBGG | Millfield | 18 | 16 | 34 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| 10 | 3IUBGH | Muxloe | 16 | 10 | 26 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| 11 | 3IUBGJ | Narborough and Littlethorpe | 24 | 9 | 33 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| 12 | 3IUBGK | Normanton | 9 | # | 11 | 1.0 | # | 0.7 |
| 13 | 3IUBGL | North Whetstone | 25 | 13 | 38 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| 14 | 3IUBGM | Pastures | 24 | 11 | 35 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| 15 | 3IUBGN | Ravenhurst and Fosse | 70 | 24 | 94 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 2.2 |
| 16 | 3IUBGP | Saxondale | 59 | 20 | 79 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 1.7 |
| 17 | 3IUBGQ | Stanton and Flamville | 41 | 28 | 69 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| 18 | 3IUBGR | Winstanley | 45 | 26 | 71 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 1.9 |
| | | Blaby District | 554 | 252 | 806 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 1.4 |

These figures are suppressed as value is 1 or 2.

Source: Office for National Statistics

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**Claimant Count (JSA) Ward Data
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| Claimant Count (JSA) Ward Data September 2008 | | | Charnwood Borough | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| | | | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % |
| Code | Wards (resident-based proportions) | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 3IUCGG | Anstey | 44 | 16 | 60 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 1.7 |
| 2 | 3IUCGH | Barrow and Sileby West | 30 | 13 | 43 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| 3 | 3IUCGJ | Birstall Wanlip | 31 | 21 | 52 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| 4 | 3IUCGK | Birstall Watermead | 33 | 24 | 57 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| 5 | 3IUCGL | East Goscote | 14 | 5 | 19 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 1.0 |
| 6 | 3IUCGM | Forest Bradgate | 13 | 5 | 18 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| 7 | 3IUCGN | Loughborough Ashby* | 41 | 21 | 62 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| 8 | 3IUCGP | Loughborough Dishley and Hathern* | 41 | 28 | 69 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| 9 | 3IUCGQ | Loughborough Garendon* | 42 | 17 | 59 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| 10 | 3IUCGR | Loughborough Hastings* | 133 | 33 | 166 | 7.2 | 2.0 | 4.7 |
| 11 | 3IUCGS | Loughborough Lemyngton* | 106 | 34 | 140 | 5.5 | 2.0 | 3.9 |
| 12 | 3IUCGT | Loughborough Nanpantan* | 12 | 8 | 20 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| 13 | 3IUCGU | Loughborough Outwoods* | 20 | 9 | 29 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| 14 | 3IUCGW | Loughborough Shelthorpe* | 74 | 36 | 110 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 2.9 |
| 15 | 3IUCGX | Loughborough Southfields* | 41 | 13 | 54 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 1.5 |
| 16 | 3IUCGY | Loughborough Storer* | 33 | 32 | 65 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| 17 | 3IUCGZ | Mountsorrel | 56 | 22 | 78 | 2.6 | 1.1 | 1.8 |
| 18 | 3IUCHA | Queniborough | 10 | 11 | 21 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| 19 | 3IUCHB | Quorn and Mountsorrel Castle | 31 | 14 | 45 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| 20 | 3IUCHC | Rothley and Thurcaston | 25 | 9 | 34 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 1.0 |
| 21 | 3IUCHD | Shepshed East | 37 | 18 | 55 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 1.3 |
| 22 | 3IUCHE | Shepshed West | 42 | 18 | 60 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| 23 | 3IUCHF | Sileby | 48 | 25 | 73 | 2.3 | 1.3 | 1.8 |
| 24 | 3IUCHG | Syston East | 30 | 13 | 43 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| 25 | 3IUCHH | Syston West | 43 | 26 | 69 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 1.9 |
| 26 | 3IUCHJ | The Wolds | 6 | 5 | 11 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| 27 | 3IUCHK | Thurmaston | 81 | 41 | 122 | 2.8 | 1.6 | 2.2 |
| 28 | 3IUCHL | Wreake Villages | 10 | 4 | 14 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 0.8 |
| | | Charnwood Borough | 1,127 | 521 | 1,648 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 1.6 |
| | | *Loughborough including Hathern | 543 | 231 | 774 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 2.0 |

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Market Town geographies defined by Leicestershire County Council and figures calculated using ONS Claimant Count (JSA) figures and denominators.

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**Claimant Count (JSA) Ward Data
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Harborough District

| Code | Wards (resident-based proportions) | Harborough District | | | Male % | Female % | Total % |
|------|---|---------------------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| | | Male | Female | Total | | | |
| 1 | 3IUDGD Billesdon | 6 | 5 | 11 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 2 | 3IUDGE Bosworth | 7 | 5 | 12 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| 3 | 3IUDGF Broughton Astley - Astley | 9 | 4 | 13 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.8 |
| 4 | 3IUDGG Broughton Astley - Broughton | 13 | 6 | 19 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 1.3 |
| 5 | 3IUDGH Broughton Astley - Primethorpe | 10 | 4 | 14 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 1.2 |
| 6 | 3IUDGJ Broughton Astley - Sutton | 10 | 5 | 15 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| 7 | 3IUDGK Dunton | 5 | 3 | 8 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| 8 | 3IUDGL Fleckney | 25 | 9 | 34 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 1.1 |
| 9 | 3IUDGM Glen | 18 | 15 | 33 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| 10 | 3IUDGN Kibworth | 22 | 11 | 33 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| 11 | 3IUDGP Lubenham | 7 | # | 9 | 0.7 | # | 0.6 |
| 12 | 3IUDGQ Lutterworth Brookfield | 12 | 5 | 17 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 1.2 |
| 13 | 3IUDGR Lutterworth Orchard | 16 | 5 | 21 | 2.5 | 0.8 | 1.7 |
| 14 | 3IUDGS Lutterworth Springs | 18 | 7 | 25 | 2.8 | 1.2 | 2.0 |
| 15 | 3IUDGT Lutterworth Swift | 13 | 4 | 17 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 1.4 |
| 16 | 3IUDGU Market Harborough - Great Bowden* | 41 | 23 | 64 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| 17 | 3IUDGW Market Harborough - Little Bowden* | 17 | 8 | 25 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| 18 | 3IUDGX Market Harborough - Logan* | 14 | 10 | 24 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 |
| 19 | 3IUDGY Market Harborough - Welland* | 41 | 19 | 60 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 1.9 |
| 20 | 3IUDGZ Misterton | 6 | 5 | 11 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| 21 | 3IUDHA Nevill | 6 | 3 | 9 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.8 |
| 22 | 3IUDHB Peatling | 6 | # | 8 | 0.9 | # | 0.6 |
| 23 | 3IUDHC Thurnby and Houghton | 35 | 17 | 52 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 1.4 |
| 24 | 3IUDHD Tilton | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| 25 | 3IUDHE Ullesthorpe | 8 | 4 | 12 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| | Harborough District | 370 | 181 | 551 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| | * Market Harborough | 113 | 60 | 173 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 1.4 |

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Hinckley & Bosworth Borough

| Code | Wards (resident-based proportions) | Male | | | Female | | | Total | | |
|------|--|------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| | | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % | Male | Female | Total |
| 1 | 31UEFU Ambien | 11 | 9 | 20 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | | | |
| 2 | 31UEFW Barlestone Nailstone & Osbaston | 16 | 6 | 22 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 | | | |
| 3 | 31UEFX Barwell | 118 | 27 | 145 | 4.1 | 1.0 | 2.6 | | | |
| 4 | 31UEFY Burbage St. Catherines & Lash Hill | 40 | 22 | 62 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 1.8 | | | |
| 5 | 31UEFZ Burbage Sketchley and Stretton | 42 | 21 | 63 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 1.2 | | | |
| 6 | 31UEGA Cadeby Carlton & Market Bosworth | 9 | 6 | 15 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.8 | | | |
| 7 | 31UEGB Earl Shilton | 108 | 46 | 154 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 2.8 | | | |
| 8 | 31UEGC Groby | 30 | 9 | 39 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.9 | | | |
| 9 | 31UEGD Hinckley Castle* | 76 | 27 | 103 | 3.8 | 1.5 | 2.7 | | | |
| 10 | 31UEGE Hinckley Clarendon* | 59 | 21 | 80 | 2.5 | 0.9 | 1.7 | | | |
| 11 | 31UEGF Hinckley De Montfort* | 59 | 28 | 87 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 1.5 | | | |
| 12 | 31UEGG Hinckley Trinity* | 68 | 22 | 90 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 2.1 | | | |
| 13 | 31UEGH Markfield Stanton and Fieldhead | 36 | 11 | 47 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 1.4 | | | |
| 14 | 31UEGJ Newbold Verdon with Desford & Peckleton | 43 | 10 | 53 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 1.1 | | | |
| 15 | 31UEGK Ratby Bagworth and Thornton | 31 | 18 | 49 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | | | |
| 16 | 31UEGL Twycross & Witherley with Sheepy | 8 | 4 | 12 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.6 | | | |
| | Hinckley & Bosworth District | 754 | 287 | 1,041 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 1.6 | | | |
| | * Hinckley (inc. Burbage & Earl Shilton) | 452 | 187 | 639 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 1.9 | | | |

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| Claimant Count (JSA) Ward Data September 2008 | | | Leicester City | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| | | | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % |
| Code | Wards (resident-based proportions) | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 00FNNF | Abbey | 369 | 141 | 510 | 9.6 | 3.9 | 6.8 |
| 2 | 00FNNG | Aylestone | 178 | 79 | 257 | 5.3 | 2.4 | 3.9 |
| 3 | 00FNNH | Beaumont Leys | 448 | 156 | 604 | 9.9 | 3.4 | 6.6 |
| 4 | 00FNNJ | Belgrave | 197 | 121 | 318 | 6.1 | 3.7 | 4.9 |
| 5 | 00FNNK | Braunstone Park & Rowley Fields | 331 | 131 | 462 | 7.0 | 2.7 | 4.8 |
| 6 | 00FNNL | Castle | 445 | 128 | 573 | 7.3 | 2.5 | 5.1 |
| 7 | 00FNNM | Charnwood | 349 | 132 | 481 | 10.8 | 4.1 | 7.5 |
| 8 | 00FNNN | Coleman | 296 | 123 | 419 | 7.6 | 3.3 | 5.5 |
| 9 | 00FNNP | Evington | 135 | 49 | 184 | 4.9 | 1.8 | 3.4 |
| 10 | 00FNNQ | Eyres Monsell | 237 | 89 | 326 | 7.9 | 2.9 | 5.4 |
| 11 | 00FNNR | Fosse | 184 | 62 | 246 | 4.9 | 1.8 | 3.4 |
| 12 | 00FNNS | Freemen | 252 | 98 | 350 | 7.9 | 2.8 | 5.3 |
| 13 | 00FNNT | Humberstone and Hamilton | 214 | 80 | 294 | 5.8 | 2.3 | 4.1 |
| 14 | 00FNNU | Knighton | 133 | 60 | 193 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 1.9 |
| 15 | 00FNNW | Latimer | 190 | 123 | 313 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 4.3 |
| 16 | 00FNNX | New Parks | 403 | 145 | 548 | 9.1 | 3.2 | 6.1 |
| 17 | 00FNNY | Rushey Mead | 191 | 118 | 309 | 3.8 | 2.5 | 3.2 |
| 18 | 00FNNZ | Spinney Hills | 665 | 241 | 906 | 9.4 | 3.7 | 6.7 |
| 19 | 00FNPA | Stoneygate | 421 | 165 | 586 | 6.9 | 2.9 | 5.0 |
| 20 | 00FNPB | Thurncourt | 143 | 72 | 215 | 5.3 | 2.7 | 4.0 |
| 21 | 00FNPC | Westcotes | 191 | 67 | 258 | 5.5 | 2.0 | 3.8 |
| 22 | 00FNPD | Western Park | 115 | 60 | 175 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 2.8 |
| | | Leicester | 6,087 | 2,440 | 8,527 | 6.3 | 2.7 | 4.5 |

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Melton Borough

| | | | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % |
|------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| Code | Wards (resident-based proportions) | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 3IUGFT | Asfordby | 24 | 17 | 41 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 2.1 |
| 2 | 3IUGFU | Bottesford | 14 | # | 16 | 1.3 | # | 0.8 |
| 3 | 3IUGFW | Croxtton Kerrial | 6 | 3 | 9 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| 4 | 3IUGFX | Frisby-on-the-Wreake | # | 4 | 6 | # | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| 5 | 3IUGFY | Gaddesby | 5 | # | 6 | 0.9 | # | 0.6 |
| 6 | 3IUGFZ | Long Clawson and Stathern | 10 | 9 | 19 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| 7 | 3IUGGA | Melton Craven* | 23 | 13 | 36 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| 8 | 3IUGGB | Melton Dorian* | 19 | 11 | 30 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.0 |
| 9 | 3IUGGC | Melton Egerton* | 43 | 16 | 59 | 3.7 | 1.5 | 2.6 |
| 10 | 3IUGGD | Melton Newport* | 16 | 9 | 25 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| 11 | 3IUGGE | Melton Sysonby* | 30 | 9 | 39 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 1.3 |
| 12 | 3IUGGF | Melton Warwick* | 26 | 11 | 37 | 2.6 | 1.1 | 1.9 |
| 13 | 3IUGGG | Old Dalby | 7 | 5 | 12 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 14 | 3IUGGH | Somerby | 5 | 4 | 9 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| 15 | 3IUGGJ | Waltham-on-the-Wolds | 3 | # | 4 | 0.6 | # | 0.4 |
| 16 | 3IUGGK | Wymondham | 8 | 7 | 15 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| | | Melton Borough | 241 | 122 | 363 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| | | * Melton Mowbray | 157 | 69 | 226 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 1.4 |

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North West Leicestershire District

| Code | | Wards (resident-based proportions) | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % |
|----------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| 1 | 31UHFZ | Appleby | 6 | # | 8 | 0.9 | # | 0.6 |
| 2 | 31UHGA | Ashby Castle* | 1 | 0 | 11 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| 3 | 31UHGB | Ashby Holywell* | 30 | 14 | 44 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.5 |
| 4 | 31UHGC | Ashby Ivanhoe* | 26 | 10 | 36 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 1.4 |
| 5 | 31UHGD | Bardon** | 15 | 7 | 22 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| 6 | 31UHGE | Breedon | 5 | 4 | 9 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| 7 | 31UHGF | Castle Donington | 40 | 22 | 62 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 1.5 |
| 8 | 31UHGG | Coalville** | 49 | 21 | 70 | 3.5 | 1.7 | 2.6 |
| 9 | 31UHGH | Greenhill** | 83 | 34 | 117 | 4.0 | 1.8 | 3.0 |
| 10 | 31UHGJ | Hugglescote** | 24 | 10 | 34 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 1.3 |
| 11 | 31UH GK | Ibstock and Heather | 44 | 16 | 60 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 1.5 |
| 12 | 31UHGL | Kegworth and Whatton | 16 | 9 | 25 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| 13 | 31UHGM | Measham | 40 | 15 | 55 | 2.6 | 1.0 | 1.8 |
| 14 | 31UHGN | Moir a | 22 | 20 | 42 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| 15 | 31UHGP | Oakthorpe and Donisthorpe | 12 | 5 | 17 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.2 |
| 16 | 31UHGQ | Ravenstone and Packington | 14 | 0 | 18 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 1.3 |
| 17 | 31UHGR | Snibston** | 35 | 17 | 52 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 1.7 |
| 18 | 31UHGS | Thringstone** | 28 | 9 | 37 | 1.9 | 0.7 | 1.3 |
| 19 | 31UHGT | Valley | 34 | 17 | 51 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 2.0 |
| 20 | 31UHGU | Whitwick** | 44 | 20 | 64 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.6 |
| NW Leicestershire District | | | 576 | 258 | 834 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.5 |
| * Ashby de la Zouch | | | 57 | 24 | 91 | 1.5 | 0.7 | 1.3 |
| ** Coalville | | | 278 | 118 | 396 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 1.9 |

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Oadby & Wigston Borough

| Code | | Wards (resident-based proportions) | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % |
|------|--------|------------------------------------|------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| 1 | 31UJFL | Oadby Brocks Hill* | 24 | 15 | 39 | 2.1 | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| 2 | 31UJFM | Oadby Grange* | 23 | 13 | 36 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| 3 | 31UJFN | Oadby St. Peter's* | 41 | 11 | 52 | 3.9 | 1.1 | 2.5 |
| 4 | 31UJFP | Oadby Uplands* | 29 | 14 | 43 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 1.7 |
| 5 | 31UJFQ | Oadby Woodlands* | 24 | 7 | 31 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 1.2 |
| 6 | 31UJFR | South Wigston | 92 | 36 | 128 | 3.9 | 1.6 | 2.8 |
| 7 | 31UJFS | Wigston All Saints** | 35 | 13 | 48 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 1.2 |
| 8 | 31UJFT | Wigston Fields** | 71 | 28 | 99 | 3.7 | 1.6 | 2.7 |
| 9 | 31UJFU | Wigston Meadowcourt** | 51 | 12 | 63 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 1.5 |
| 10 | 31UJFW | Wigston St. Wolstan's** | 47 | 16 | 63 | 2.5 | 0.9 | 1.7 |
| | | Oadby & Wigston Borough | 437 | 165 | 602 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 1.8 |
| | | * Oadby | 141 | 60 | 201 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| | | ** Wigston | 204 | 69 | 273 | 2.5 | 0.9 | 1.8 |

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| | | | Rutland | | | | | |
|------|------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|--------|-------|--------|----------|---------|
| Code | Wards (resident-based proportions) | | Male | Female | Total | Male % | Female % | Total % |
| 1 | 00FPMS | Braunston and Belton | 4 | # | 5 | 1.1 | # | 0.7 |
| 2 | 00FPMT | Cottesmore | 9 | 9 | 18 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 0.9 |
| 3 | 00FPMU | Exton | # | 3 | 5 | # | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| 4 | 00FPMW | Greetham | 9 | 3 | 12 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 5 | 00FPMX | Ketton | 5 | 4 | 9 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| 6 | 00FPMY | Langham | 6 | 4 | 10 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| 7 | 00FPMZ | Lyddington | 4 | # | 5 | 1.0 | # | 0.6 |
| 8 | 00FPNA | Martinsthorpe | 5 | 0 | 5 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| 9 | 00FPNB | Normanton | 7 | 4 | 11 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| 10 | 00FPNC | Oakham North East* | 10 | 3 | 13 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| 11 | 00FPND | Oakham North West* | 7 | 5 | 12 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| 12 | 00FPNE | Oakham South East* | 8 | 0 | 8 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| 13 | 00FPNF | Oakham South West* | 8 | # | 10 | 1.2 | # | 0.7 |
| 14 | 00FPNG | Ryhall and Casterton | 7 | 6 | 13 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| 15 | 00FPNH | Uppingham | 14 | 8 | 22 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| 16 | 00FPNJ | Whissendine | 6 | 3 | 9 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| | | Rutland | 111 | 56 | 167 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| | | *Oakham | 33 | 8 | 43 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.7 |

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