

## Leicester & Leicestershire

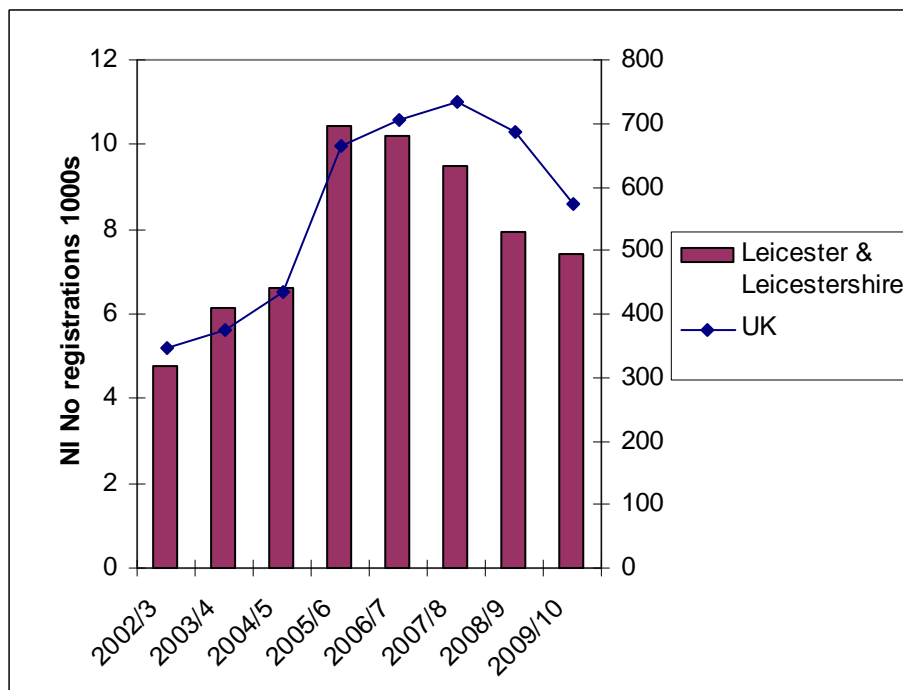
### Overseas Migrant Worker Inflows to 2010

Administrative statistics for National Insurance Number (NINo) Registrations to Adult Overseas Nationals entering the UK and Worker Registrations from European Union accession countries up to March 2010 show an increase nationally in worker inflows from overseas from 2004 to 2007 and then a decrease. In-flows in Leicester and Leicestershire decreased from 2006 to early 2010, as shown by Figure 1 and Figure 3 below. There are no administrative statistics compiled on overseas workers that leave the country. These inflows do not represent totals of overseas workers present or resident, but give an indication of changes in overseas in-migration of workers.

### National Insurance Number (NINo) Registrations

New registrations for National Insurance numbers by overseas nationals give an indication of the number of overseas workers in residence here for more than a year. The total number registering from January to December 2010 was over 7,000 in Leicester City and over 2,000 in Leicestershire County. The figure below shows the change in annual totals for 2002/03 to 2009/10 (financial years) for the area, compared with those for the UK (right hand scale). National Insurance Number (NINo) registrations in the area decreased after a peak in 2005/06, whereas those in the UK did not start to decrease until after 2007/08.

**Figure 1 National Insurance Number registrations to Adult Overseas Nationals by year of Registration and Local Authority 2002/03 to 2009/10**



Source: Dept of Work and Pensions

Table 1 shows the annual totals for 2005/06 to 2009/10 by district. Leicester City has by far the largest number of NINo registrations, followed by Charnwood district.

**Table 1 National Insurance Number (NINo) Registrations to Adult Overseas Nationals by Local Authority 2005/06 to 2009/10**

	<i>Thousands</i>				
	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Leicester & Leicestershire	10.430	10.220	9.480	7.930	7.430
Leicester	7.620	7.410	6.860	5.670	5.790
Blaby	0.260	0.320	0.250	0.230	0.190
Charnwood	1.130	1.100	1.110	0.970	0.740
Harborough	0.230	0.250	0.220	0.200	0.110
Hinckley and Bosworth	0.310	0.350	0.310	0.280	0.150
Melton	0.230	0.230	0.180	0.130	0.100
North West Leicestershire	0.470	0.380	0.390	0.310	0.210
Oadby and Wigston	0.180	0.180	0.160	0.140	0.140

Source: Department of Work and Pensions

Table 2 shows how registrations of overseas nationals per 1000 population for each district have changed from 2002/3 to 2005/6 to 2009/10. In 2005/06, there were 25 registrations per 1,000 population in Leicester City and 4.5 per 1,000 population in Leicestershire County, compared to 11.7 nationally. In 2009, this had fallen to 19 in Leicester City, 2.5 in Leicestershire and 9.3 nationally.

**Table 2 National Insurance Number registrations per 1,000 population**

	2002/03	2005/06	2009/10
UK	5.8	11.0	9.3
<b>Leicester &amp; Leicestershire</b>	5.3	11.3	7.8
<b>Leicester</b>	13.4	26.1	19.0
<b>Leicestershire</b>	1.6	4.5	2.5
Blaby	1.3	2.8	2.0
Charnwood	2.7	7.2	4.5
Harborough	1.3	2.9	1.3
Hinckley and Bosworth	1.0	3.0	1.4
Melton	1.0	4.7	2.0
North West Leicestershire	1.0	5.3	2.3
Oadby and Wigston	2.1	3.1	2.4

Source: Department of Work and Pensions

Table 3 shows the nationality of those registering in Leicester City, and in the County totalled for 2005/6 to 2009/10, and for the last calendar year 2010. The highest number of registrations up to March 2010 were from Poland (27% of registrations), followed by India (23% in Leicester and 11% in

Leicestershire), but for the year to December 2010 the highest number in Leicester were from India (28%).

**Table 3 National insurance number registrations of overseas nationals: Totals by nationality April 2005-March 2010 and Jan- December 2010**

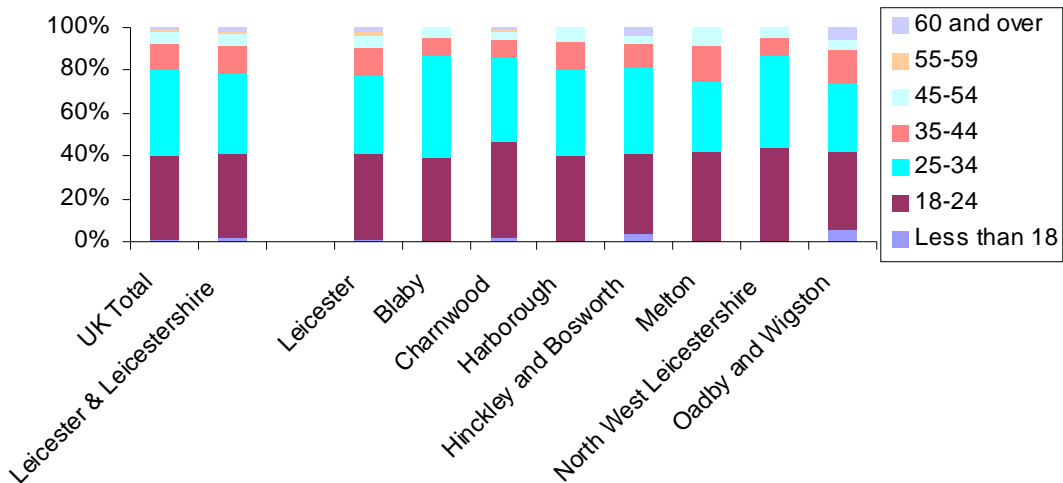
<b>Leicester City April 2005-March 2010</b>			<b>Leicester City January –December 2010</b>		
Poland	9,120	27%	India	2,000	28%
India	7,840	23%	Poland	760	11%
Slovak Rep	2,810	8%	Rep of Latvia	530	7%
Portugal	1,190	4%	Portugal	450	6%
China Peoples Rep	900	3%	Rep of Lithuania	310	4%
Zimbabwe	800	2%	China Peoples	260	4%
Netherlands	420	1%	Pakistan	220	3%
Czech Rep	620	2%	Zimbabwe	210	3%
Pakistan	570	2%	Slovak Rep	200	3%
Nigeria	560	2%	Nigeria	190	3%
France	490	1%	Sri Lanka	140	2%
Germany	360	1%	France	110	2%
Somalia	350	1%	Bangladesh	100	1%
Rep of Lithuania	320	1%	Iraq	100	1%
remainder	7,020		Somalia	100	1%
			remainder	1,450	
<b>All</b>	<b>33,370</b>		<b>All</b>	<b>7,130</b>	
<b>Leicestershire County sum April 2005-March 2010</b>			<b>Leicestershire County sum January – December 2010</b>		
Poland	3,320	27%	Poland	360	17%
India	1,280	11%	India	310	15%
China Peoples Rep	760	6%	China Peoples	110	5%
Slovak Rep	390	3%	Rep of Lithuania	100	5%
Philippines	350	3%	Rep of Latvia	90	4%
Rep of Latvia	290	2%	Romania	70	3%
France	240	2%	Nigeria	60	3%
South Africa	230	2%	Bangladesh	50	2%
Czech Rep	200	2%	Philippines	50	2%
Pakistan	200	2%	Thailand	50	2%
Rep of Lithuania	170	1%	remainder	870	
Nigeria	170	1%			
Portugal	130	1%	<b>All</b>	<b>2,120</b>	
remainder	4,430				
<b>All</b>	<b>12,160</b>				

Source: Department of Work and Pensions

NB: There are no administrative statistics on overseas workers that leave the country.

Figure 2 shows that most of those registering are aged 18 to 34. For those aged less than 18 the proportion is insignificant in the UK, but small proportions appear in some Leicestershire districts. Otherwise the proportions in each age group in the sub-region are similar to those in the UK.

**Figure 2 National Insurance Number registrations by age 2010**

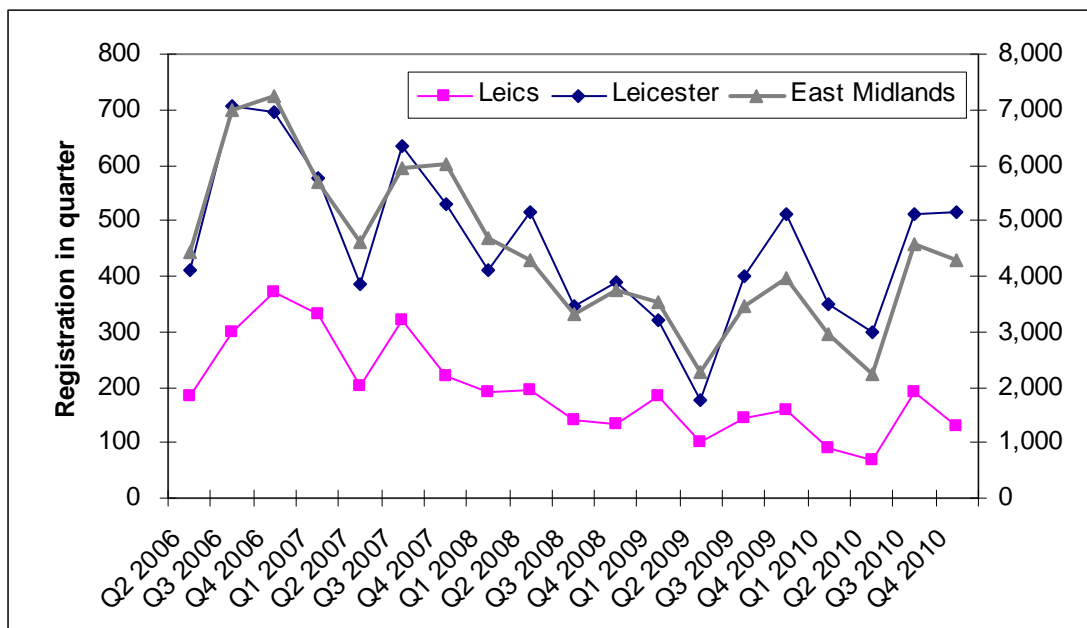


Source: DWP August 2010

**Worker Registration Scheme**

Worker Registration Scheme figures provide information for local authorities on applications to work in the UK by those from the eight EU accession countries from May 2004. Until 1<sup>st</sup> May 2011, workers from the eight EU accession countries have to register for each job they take until they have worked a total of 12 out of 13 months. Only a small proportion (about 10%) registered with an intended stay of more than a year, and the majority with an intended stay of less than 3 months, so these figures mainly count movements of a flexible migrant workforce.

**Figure 3 Worker Registration Scheme Approvals Leicester, Leicestershire and East Midlands to December 2010**



Source: Worker Registration Scheme (Home Office provisional management information).

Figure 3 shows quarterly trends in workers registering (rather than the number of applications made), by initial registration area of employer. Registrations peaked in Q4 (the quarter October to December) 2006, with over a thousand registrations in the sub-region. Numbers dropped from September 2007 to a low of just under 300 in March 2009. The following quarters have seen some fluctuation but a general increase, with a similar pattern in the East Midlands as a whole.

From May 2004 to December 2010 registrations in the sub-region totalled 15,200. Workers registering in Leicester City comprised 69% of those registering in the sub-region, followed by North West Leicestershire district with 9%, and Harborough District with 6%. About 70% of workers registering were Polish, the next largest proportion being Slovakian (13%). Since autumn the proportion that is Polish reduced, and the proportion of Latvians increased.

### **The Polish Community in Leicester**

Recent information on the Polish community in Leicester indicates that the Polish community is thriving in 2011, with Polish community leaders estimating there are 30,000 Polish people in Leicester and Leicestershire. Many young workers have stayed and brought their families, although there are fewer new arrivals of workers. There are 200 children in Polish Saturday school in Leicester, many wanting to learn English. There is evidence of quite a bit of business between Poland and the UK, and much travel, now mostly through East Midlands airport.

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