

Monthly Labour Market Summary

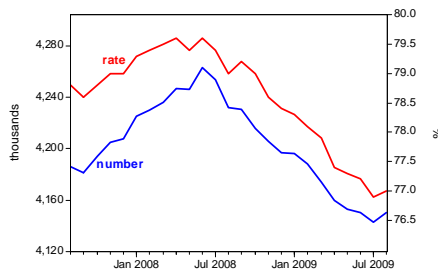
Key Indicators

	Sep-08		Jun-09		Sep-09	
	Level (000s)	Rate	Level (000s)	Rate	Level (000s)	Rate
Economic Activity	4,433	83.1	4,417	82.4	4,415	82.1
Economic Inactivity	868	17.1	897	17.6	911	17.9
Employment	4,233	79.3	4,154	77.3	4,150	77.0
Unemployment	200	4.5	263	5.9	265	6.0

Source: ONS, November 2009
*Rate based on working age
*Level- 000's

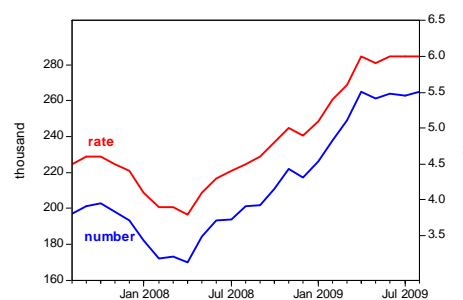
- **Claimant count unemployment** in October 2009 was **154,857**.
- **42,036 vacancies** notified to **Jobcentre Plus** in October 2009.
- **265,000 unemployed people** in the three months to September 2009 – up 4,000 on previous quarter.
- **Unemployment rate 6%** in the 3 months to September 2009 - the lowest of any region.
- Number of people in **employment in the region decreased by 3,000** in the three months to September.
- **Employment rate 77%** in the three months to September.
- **No change in the number of economically active people.**
- **Economic activity rate of 82.1%** was down 0.2 percentage points on the previous three months.

Employment continues to fall



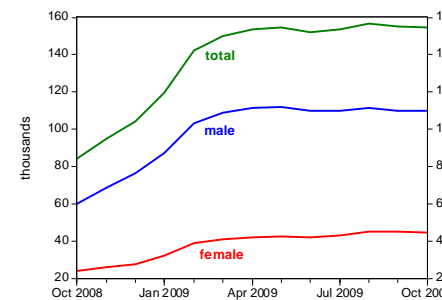
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Unemployment levelling off...?



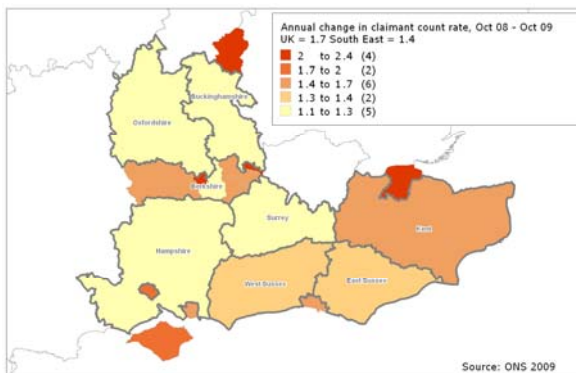
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Claimant count remains broadly flat

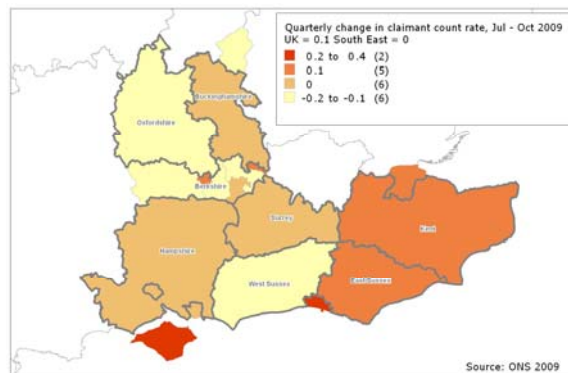


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Claimant Count

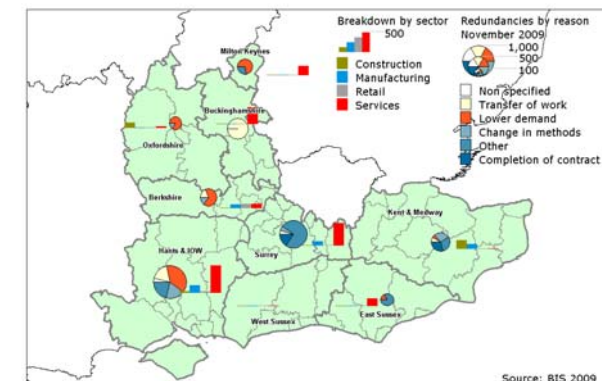


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Redundancies



Source: BIS 2009