

Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) Statistics: December 2020¹

Key points

- In total, the Midlands Engine area had 316,400 employments furloughed on the 31st October². This was 7% of eligible employments for the scheme compared to the UK average of 8%.
- The West Midlands region had 190,300 employments furloughed and the East Midlands region had 142,900 employments furloughed on the 31st October. Compared to the 30th September, the West Midlands decreased by 19.6% (-46,300 employments furloughed) and by 19.4% (-34,400 employments furloughed) for the East Midlands region, while the UK decreased by 15.6%.
- Of the 190,300 employments furloughed in the West Midlands region on the 31st October, 106,200 were fully furloughed and 84,100 were partially furloughed. For the East Midlands, of the 142,900 employments furloughed 80,100 were fully furloughed and 62,900 were partially furloughed.
- Figures show on the 31st October for the UK, those aged 25-34 years old accounted for the highest proportion of the total number of employments furloughed at 21.9% (526,000), followed by those aged 35-44 years old at 20.1% (481,300) and then those aged 45-54 years old at 19.4% (466,400).
- Across the UK, businesses with over 250 employees have made the highest value of claims for periods to 31st October with £16.1bn. This is followed by businesses with employer size 20-49 with £6.1bn, and then 100-249 with £4.3bn.
- Figures show on the 31st October for the UK, accommodation and food services accounted for the highest proportion of employments furloughed at 27% (601,400). This was followed by wholesale and retail at 14.9% (356,400) and then administrative and support services at 8.9% (213,400).

Full Briefing:

Introduction

- This is the seventh release of Official Statistics on the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS). This release provides analysis of claims for periods up to 31st October 2020. The data used includes claims submitted to HMRC by 30th November 2020.

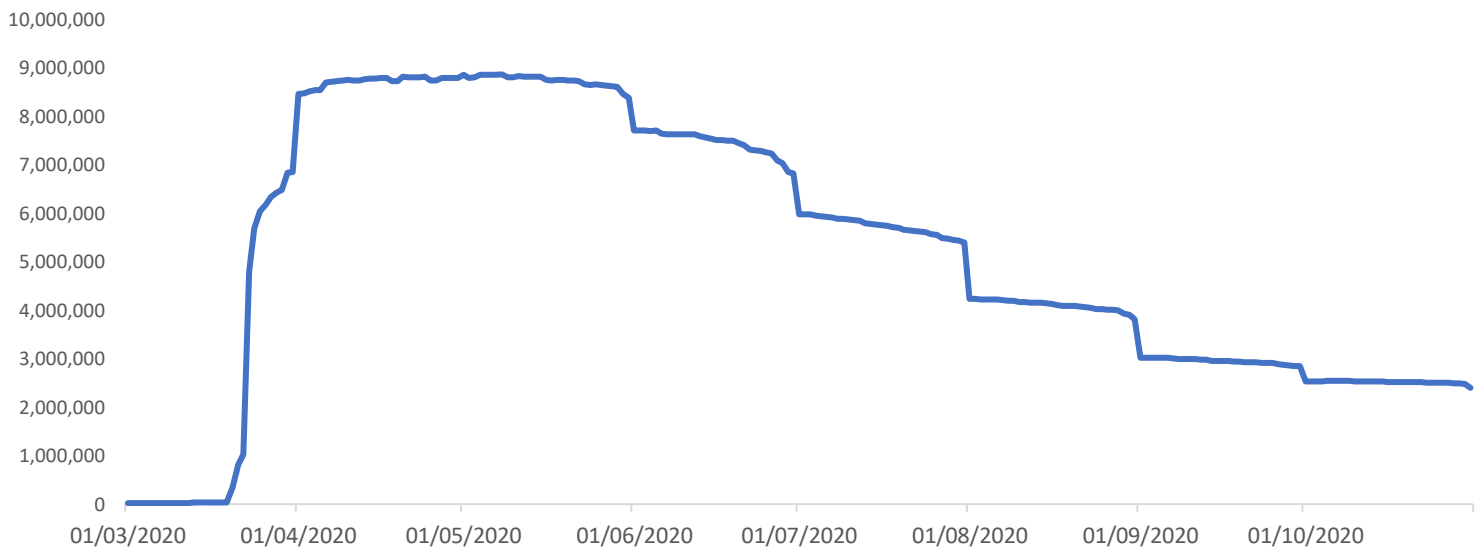
Furloughed Employments per day – UK, West Midlands and East Midlands Regions

- Since the peak of 8.9 million employments furloughed on 8th May in the UK, the number of employments furloughed steadily dropped to 6.8 million on the 30th June.
- The number of employments furloughed continued to fall throughout July and August to 5.4 million at 31st July and 3.8 million on 31st August.
- The latest figures show that the number of employments furloughed continued to reduce during September falling further to 2.8 million at 30th September and then to 2.4 million on the 31st October.

¹ Source: HMRC, Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme statistics: December 2020

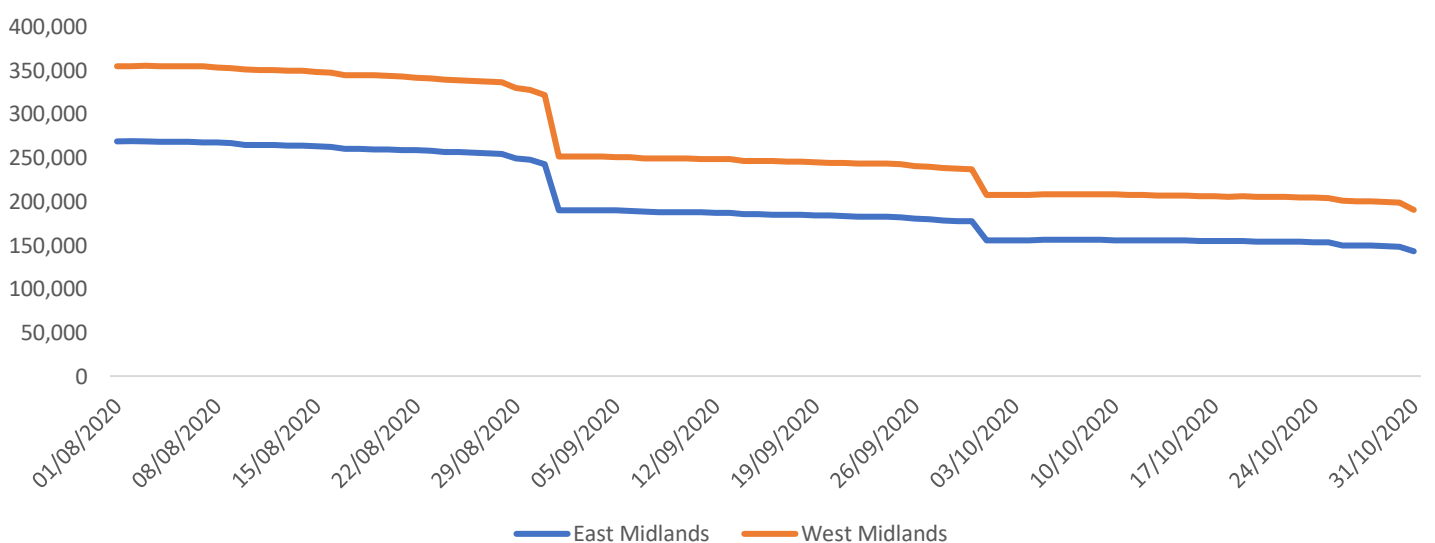
² 1,486,900 individuals in the Midlands Engine area have been furloughed at some point, 316,400 remain furloughed as of 31st October 2020.

The following chart shows the UK employments furloughed between 1st March to 31st October:



- The West Midlands region had 190,300 employments furloughed and the East Midlands region had 142,900 employments furloughed on the 31st October.
- Compared to the 30th September, the West Midlands decreased by 19.6% (-46,300 employments furloughed) and by 19.4% (-34,400 employments furloughed) for the East Midlands region, while the UK decreased by 15.6%.
- Compared to 31st August, the West Midlands region has decreased 40.8% (-131,100 employment furloughed) and the East Midlands has decreased by 41.0% (-99,400 employments furloughed), while the UK decreased by 37.0%.

The following chart shows for the East Midlands and West Midlands Regions the number of employments furloughed between 1st August to 31st October:

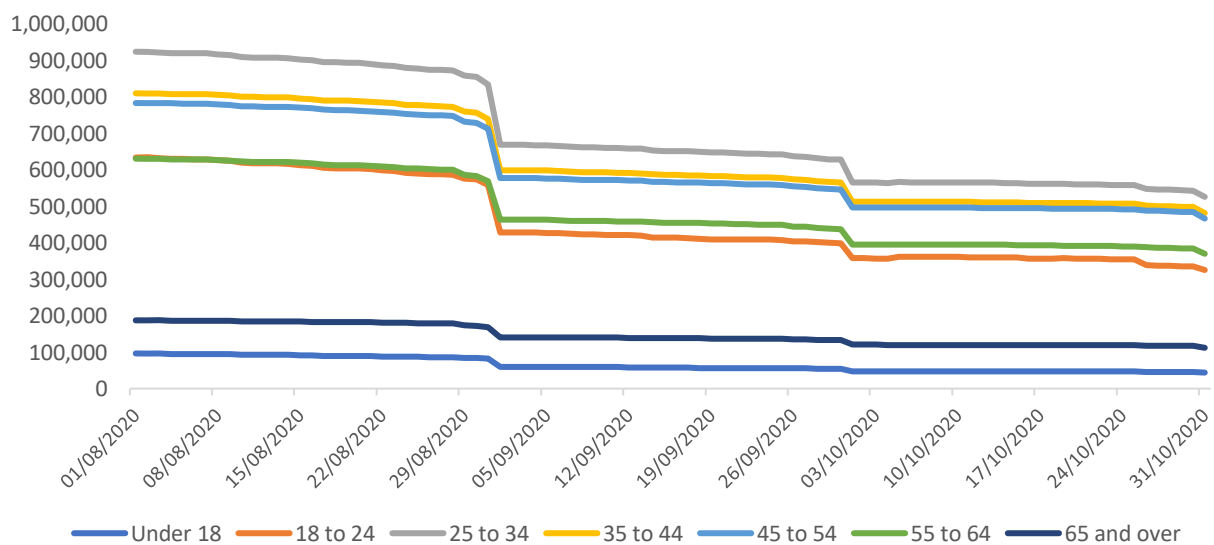


- Of the 190,3000 employments furloughed in the West Midlands region on the 31st October, 106,200 were fully furloughed and 84,100 were partially furloughed. For the East Midlands, of the 142,900 employments furloughed 80,100 were fully furloughed and 62,900 were partially furloughed.

Age - UK

- For employments where the employee was aged 25 to 34, the number of employments was 1.17 million on 31st July and fell to 833,600 at 31st August. This continued to fall throughout September to 627,900 employments furloughed at 30th September and by 31st October it was 526,000.
- The number of employments furloughed with employees in the 18 to 24 age band was 844,500 on 31st July. Figures show this decreased to 558,600 employments furloughed at 31st August, 398,400 at 31st September and 325,300 at 31st October.
- Where the employee was 65 or over, the number of employments furloughed was 225,800 on 31st July. Figures for this age band show the number of employments furloughed decreased to 168,300 at 31st August, 132,500 at 30th September and 111,900 at 31st October.
- Figures show on the 31st October, those aged 25-34 years old accounted for the highest proportion of the total number of employments furloughed at 21.9% (526,000), followed by those aged 35-44 years old at 20.1% (481,300) and then those aged 45-54 years old at 19.4% (466,400).

The following chart shows the number of employments furloughed per day by employee age (inc. unknown) between 1st August to 31st October for the UK:



Gender – Midlands Engine

- In total, the Midlands Engine area had 316,4000 employments furloughed on the 31st October. This was 7% of eligible employments for the scheme, while for the UK the take-up rate was 8%.
- The take up rate of males and females were both 7% compared to 8% for the UK.
- Overall, the local authorities with the highest percentage of workers furloughed were Stratford-on-Avon (5,500 employments furloughed of the 60,500 eligible), Birmingham (40,000 employments furloughed of the 448,400 eligible), and Solihull (9,000 employments furloughed of the 98,400 eligible) with a take up rate of 9%.
- The local authority with the highest percentage of males furloughed was Birmingham at 10% (22,200 furloughed of the 228,000 eligible).

- The local authority with the highest percentage of female employments furloughed was Stratford-on-Avon at 10% (3,000 furloughed of 30,700 eligible).

Further details by local authority within the Midlands Engine area can be seen in a table in the appendix.

Employment Size – UK

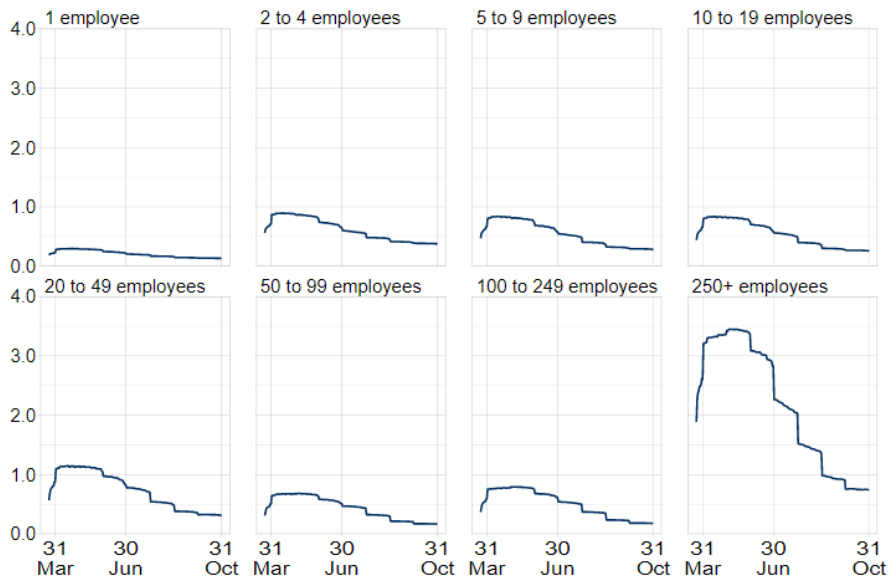
- Across the UK, businesses with over 250 employees have made the highest value of claims for periods to 31st October with £16.1bn. This is followed by businesses with employer size 20-49 with £6.1bn, and then 100-249 with £4.3bn.
- On the 31st October, businesses with 250+ employees have had the highest take up rate at 49% (5,700 employers furloughing staff of the 11,700 eligible employers). This was followed by businesses with employer size 20-49 at 46% (40,500 employers furloughing staff of the 88,100 eligible).
- Those businesses with an employer size of 2-4 furloughed the highest percentage of eligible employments at 22% (363,300 employments furloughed of the 1,682,900 eligible). This was followed by 5-9 at 18% (371,300 employments furloughed of the 1,547,800 eligible) and businesses with employer size of 1 was also 18% (127,900 employments furloughed of the 727,600 eligible).

The following table shows by employers and employments the number furloughed, eligible and the take up rate by employer size for the UK on 31st October:

Employer size	Employers			Employments			Value of claims made for periods to 31 st October (£m)
	Employers furloughing staff at 31 October	Eligible employers	Take-up rate at 31 October	Employments furloughed at 31 October	Eligible employments	Take-up rate at 31 October	
1	127,900	727,600	18%	127,900	727,600	18%	£1,219
2 to 4	206,900	667,600	31%	363,300	1,682,900	22%	£3,841
5 to 9	88,000	242,600	36%	271,300	1,547,800	18%	£3,855
10 to 19	52,300	136,000	38%	246,000	1,792,700	14%	£4,094
20 to 49	40,500	88,000	46%	303,500	2,615,200	12%	£6,092
50 to 99	13,000	29,100	45%	164,100	1,977,600	8%	£3,780
100 to 249	7,800	17,300	45%	175,200	2,606,900	7%	£4,277
250+	5,700	11,700	49%	737,000	17,402,300	4%	£16,097
Unknown	700	-	-	11,300	-	-	£60
Total	542,900	1,919,800	28%	2,399,600	30,353,200	8%	43,314

- 3.45 million employments were furloughed by large employers with 250 or more employments on 5th May (the peak for this category). This reduced to 2.82 million employments furloughed by 30th June. Figures for the largest employers show 2.03 million employments furloughed by 31st July, 1.34 million employments furloughed by 31st August to 912,900 employments furloughed on the 30th September and then 737,000 by 31st October.
- Employers with 20 to 49 employments had a peak of 1.15 million employments furloughed on 16th April, compared with a peak of 795,400 for employers with 100 to 249 employments on 1st May.
- Employers with one employment had a peak of 295,700 employments furloughed on 20th April, which then decreased to 219,400 employments furloughed on 30th June. Figures show this decreased further to 187,700 employments furloughed by 31st July, to 159,800 employments furloughed by 31st August, to 141,200 on the 30th September and then 127,900 on 31st October.

The following charts show the total employments furloughed (millions) by employer size for the UK between 23rd March to 31st October:

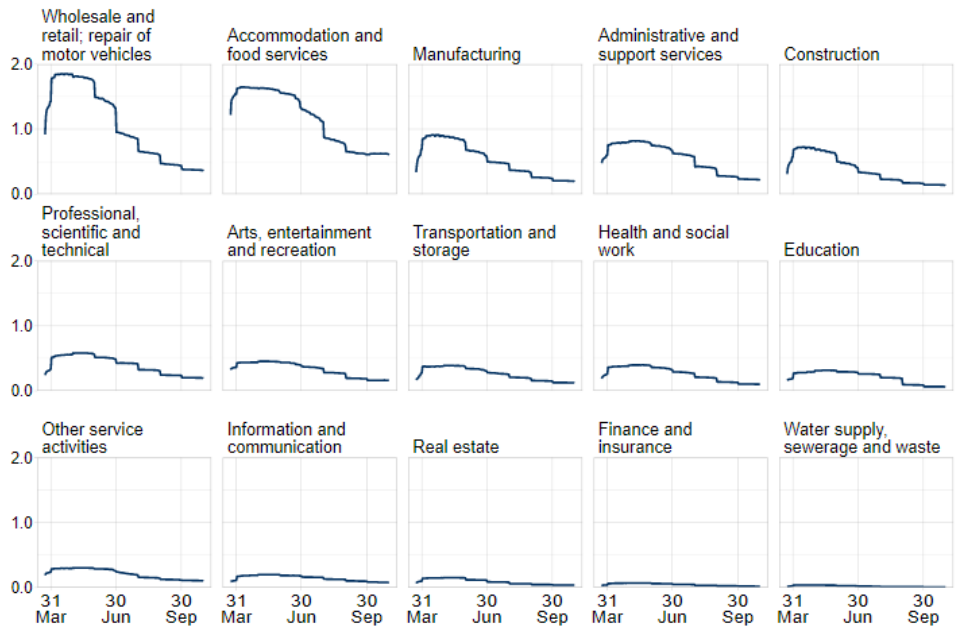


Source: HMRC CJRS data and PAYE Real Time Information

Sectors – UK

- Furloughing of staff in the wholesale and retail sector peaked on 24th April at 1.85 million employments furloughed. This dropped to 1.33 million employments furloughed by 30 June. Figures for this sector show 850,700 employments furloughed at 31st July, 598,900 jobs furloughed at 31st August, 439,300 employments furloughed on the 30th September to 356,400 on 31st October.
- Accommodation and food services peaked at 1.65 million employments furloughed on 10th April. There was a decline to 1.32 million employments furloughed by 30th June. Figures for this sector show 1.11 million employments furloughed by 31st July, 745,800 employments furloughed by 31st August, 609,000 employment furloughed on the 30th September to 601,400 on 31st October.
- The manufacturing sector had a peak of 911,000 employments furloughed on 17th April. This reduced to 583,600 by 30th June. Figures for this sector show 465,100 employments furloughed at 31st July, 329,400 employments furloughed at 31st August, 242,100 employments furloughed on the 30th September to 188,200 on 31st October.
- In construction, furloughing peaked on 14th April with 723,600 employments furloughed, with this falling to 404,200 employments furloughed on 30th June. Figures for this sector show 300,400 employments furloughed at 31st July to 204,400 employments furloughed at 31st August to 162,900 employments furloughed on 30th September to 130,700 on 31st October.
- Furloughing in arts and entertainment sector peaked later than other sectors on 15th May 2020 with 455,100 employments furloughed falling to 393,400 employments furloughed on 30th June. Figures for this sector show 341,600 employments furloughed on 31st July, 262,800 employments furloughed on 31st August to 185,700 employments furloughed on 30th September to 159,600 on 31st October.
- On the 31st October, accommodation and food services accounted for the highest proportion of employments furloughed at 25.1% (601,400). This was followed by wholesale and retail at 14.9% (356,400) and then administrative and support services at 8.9% (213,400).

The following charts show the total employments furloughed (millions) by 15 sectors for the UK between 23rd March to 31st October:



Source: HMRC CJRS data and PAYE Real Time Information

Appendix

	Female			Male			Total		
	Female employments furloughed at 31 October	Female eligible employments	Female take up-rate at 31 October	Male employments furloughed at 31 October	Male eligible employments	Male take up-rate at 31 October	Total employments furloughed at 31 October	Total eligible employments	Total take up-rate at 31 October
Stratford-on-Avon	3,000	30,700	10.0%	2,600	29,800	9%	5,500	60,500	9%
Solihull	4,700	50,000	9.0%	4,300	48,400	9%	9,000	98,400	9%
Birmingham	17,800	220,400	8.0%	22,200	228,000	10%	40,000	448,400	9%
Bromsgrove	1,900	23,200	8.0%	1,700	21,800	8%	3,600	45,000	8%
Oadby and Wigston	1,100	13,200	8.0%	1,000	12,500	8%	2,100	25,600	8%
Charnwood	3,100	40,900	8.0%	2,800	40,500	7%	6,000	81,400	7%
Warwick	2,600	34,200	8.0%	2,600	35,600	7%	5,200	69,800	7%
Blaby	2,000	25,000	8.0%	1,700	23,500	7%	3,700	48,600	8%
South Staffordshire	2,000	24,900	8.0%	1,700	23,500	7%	3,700	48,300	8%
Lichfield	1,900	23,900	8.0%	1,700	23,400	7%	3,600	47,300	8%
Harborough	1,900	22,000	8.0%	1,500	21,200	7%	3,300	43,100	8%
Cannock Chase	1,800	23,400	8.0%	1,500	23,000	7%	3,300	46,400	7%
Derbyshire Dales	1,200	15,400	8.0%	1,000	14,700	7%	2,200	30,100	7%
South Kesteven	2,500	33,100	8.0%	2,000	32,200	6%	4,500	65,300	7%
Melton	1,000	12,300	8.0%	700	11,800	6%	1,700	24,100	7%
Rutland UA	600	8,000	8.0%	500	8,000	6%	1,100	16,000	7%
Leicester UA	5,300	76,800	7.0%	6,500	85,100	8%	11,800	161,900	7%
Sandwell	5,300	70,300	7.0%	5,900	71,600	8%	11,200	142,000	8%
Dudley	4,800	70,200	7.0%	5,500	69,100	8%	10,300	139,200	7%
Walsall	4,200	58,200	7.0%	4,700	59,100	8%	8,800	117,300	8%
Wyre Forest	1,600	22,400	7.0%	1,700	21,200	8%	3,300	43,600	8%
North Warwickshire	1,100	15,600	7.0%	1,100	15,100	8%	2,300	30,700	7%
Nottingham UA	4,400	66,300	7.0%	4,800	65,500	7%	9,300	131,800	7%
Wolverhampton	3,800	57,500	7.0%	4,200	57,300	7%	8,000	114,700	7%
Hinckley and Bosworth	2,000	26,900	7.0%	1,800	26,500	7%	3,700	53,400	7%
Wychavon	2,000	30,100	7.0%	1,900	29,200	7%	3,900	59,300	7%
Erewash	2,000	27,000	7.0%	1,900	26,400	7%	3,800	53,400	7%
Gedling	2,000	28,100	7.0%	1,800	25,700	7%	3,800	53,900	7%
Rushcliffe	1,900	27,100	7.0%	1,700	25,600	7%	3,500	52,700	7%
East Lindsey	1,800	25,800	7.0%	1,800	25,300	7%	3,600	51,100	7%
Broxtowe	1,700	25,700	7.0%	1,600	24,900	7%	3,300	50,700	7%
High Peak	1,600	22,000	7.0%	1,400	20,600	7%	3,000	42,600	7%
Tamworth	1,400	19,000	7.0%	1,400	19,400	7%	2,800	38,400	7%
Redditch	1,400	21,600	7.0%	1,500	21,200	7%	3,000	42,800	7%
Shropshire UA	4,800	69,400	7.0%	3,900	65,200	6%	8,700	134,500	6%
Herefordshire, County of (UA)	2,800	41,300	7.0%	2,200	38,900	6%	5,000	80,200	6%
Stafford	2,100	31,100	7.0%	1,700	30,800	6%	3,800	61,900	6%
Amber Valley	2,000	29,000	7.0%	1,700	28,500	6%	3,700	57,500	6%
Newark and Sherwood	2,000	27,600	7.0%	1,500	27,100	6%	3,500	54,700	6%
Newcastle-under-Lyme	1,900	28,000	7.0%	1,700	27,200	6%	3,600	55,200	6%
South Derbyshire	1,800	25,600	7.0%	1,600	25,600	6%	3,400	51,300	7%
North West Leicestershire	1,700	24,400	7.0%	1,500	24,800	6%	3,200	49,200	7%
Staffordshire Moorlands	1,500	21,600	7.0%	1,300	20,700	6%	2,800	42,300	7%
Malvern Hills	1,100	16,400	7.0%	1,000	15,400	6%	2,100	31,700	7%
East Staffordshire	2,000	28,500	7.0%	1,600	29,900	5%	3,600	58,400	6%
Coventry	4,900	77,200	6.0%	6,000	80,200	7%	10,900	157,400	7%
Nuneaton and Bedworth	1,900	31,600	6.0%	2,100	31,600	7%	4,000	63,200	6%
North East Derbyshire	1,500	22,900	6.0%	1,400	21,500	7%	2,900	44,400	6%
Derby UA	3,700	58,300	6.0%	3,700	60,700	6%	7,400	119,000	6%
Stoke-on-Trent UA	3,500	55,300	6.0%	3,500	57,400	6%	7,000	112,600	6%
Telford and Wrekin UA	2,500	41,300	6.0%	2,300	41,700	6%	4,800	83,100	6%

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Ashfield	1,700	28,800	6.0%	1,700	28,400	6%	3,300	57,200	6%
Worcester	1,500	26,500	6.0%	1,600	25,600	6%	3,100	52,100	6%
Mansfield	1,500	25,500	6.0%	1,500	25,000	6%	3,000	50,500	6%
North East Lincolnshire UA	2,000	34,300	6.0%	1,600	35,600	5%	3,600	69,900	5%
Rugby	1,700	27,000	6.0%	1,600	28,700	5%	3,300	55,600	6%
Bassetlaw	1,600	26,600	6.0%	1,500	26,600	5%	3,100	53,200	6%
West Lindsey	1,200	19,800	6.0%	900	19,500	5%	2,100	39,300	5%
Bolsover	1,100	18,500	6.0%	1,000	18,100	5%	2,000	36,600	6%
Chesterfield	1,300	23,500	5.0%	1,500	22,900	6%	2,700	46,400	6%
Lincoln	1,200	22,700	5.0%	1,200	23,100	5%	2,400	45,800	5%
North Lincolnshire UA	1,900	36,700	5.0%	1,600	39,500	4%	3,500	76,300	5%
North Kesteven	1,400	26,300	5.0%	1,200	25,700	4%	2,600	52,000	5%
South Holland	1,100	21,500	5.0%	900	22,200	4%	1,900	43,700	4%
Boston	800	17,900	4.0%	700	19,000	4%	1,500	36,900	4%
East Midlands	74,100	1,106,300	7%	68,800	1,099,800	6%	142,900	2,206,100	6%
West Midlands	93,500	1,290,500	7%	96,800	1,289,900	8%	190,300	2,580,400	7%
Midlands Engine	159,100	2,276,300	7.0%	157,900	2,273,800	7%	316,400	4,549,900	7%
United Kingdom	1,188,300	15,354,300	8.0%	1,136,400	14,998,800	8%	2,399,600	30,353,200	8%