

## Public sector employment Q1 2011



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This bulletin shows public sector employment for the first quarter of 2011.

Headline figures are:

- Public sector employment decreased by 24,000 in the first quarter of 2011, to 6.162 million.
- Local government employment decreased by 27,000; central government employment increased by 4,000 and employment in public corporations decreased by 1,000.
- Civil Service employment increased by 7,000 to 513,000.
- Estimates of employment for Q1 2011 are impacted by people employed on a temporary basis in connection with the 2011 Census. When these temporary employees are removed from headcount estimates, total public sector employment is shown to have decreased by 39,000 to 6.147 million, central government by 10,000 to 2.793 million and Civil Service employment by 7,000 to 499,000.
- Employment in the private sector increased by 104,000 to 23.077 million.
- The Q1 2011 public sector estimate is 143,000 lower than the same quarter a year ago.

**Public sector employment;** United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted, headcount

	Central government (incl. NHS)	Local government	Public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
<i>Levels</i>					
2010 Q1	2844 <sup>e</sup>	2921 <sup>e</sup>	540	6305 <sup>e</sup>	528
2010 Q2	2827 <sup>e</sup>	2908 <sup>e</sup>	541	6276 <sup>e</sup>	522
2010 Q3	2818 <sup>e</sup>	2887 <sup>e</sup>	535	6240 <sup>e</sup>	514
2010 Q4	2803 <sup>e</sup>	2860 <sup>e</sup>	523	6186 <sup>e</sup>	506
<b>2011 Q1</b>	<b>2807<sup>e</sup></b>	<b>2833<sup>e</sup></b>	<b>522</b>	<b>6162<sup>e</sup></b>	<b>513</b>
<i>Change on latest quarter</i>	4	-27	-1	-24	7
<i>Change %</i>	0.1	-0.9	-0.2	-0.4	1.4
<i>Change on year</i>	-37	-88	-18	-143	-15
<i>Change %</i>	-1.3	-3.0	-3.3	-2.3	-2.8

Civil Service estimates are home Civil Service and therefore exclude Northern Ireland Civil Service, which is included in Central Government.

<sup>e</sup> Statistics for 2007 Q4 onwards are partly based on projections. Please see background note 9.

**Public sector employment by sector classification; headcount (Table 1)**

Total public sector employment was 6.162 million in the first quarter of 2011, a decrease of 24,000 (0.4 per cent) compared with the previous quarter.

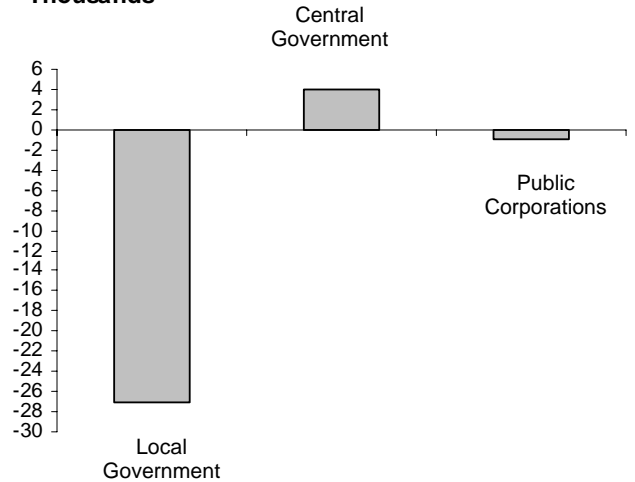
Employment in local government decreased by 27,000 (0.9 per cent) to 2.833 million, while employment in central government increased by 4,000 (0.1 per cent) to 2.807 million.

Employment in public corporations decreased by 1,000 (0.2 per cent) to 522,000. In Q1 2011, employment in the Civil Service in Great Britain increased by 7,000 (1.4 per cent) to 513,000.

Estimates of employment for Q1 2011, for the public sector as a whole, central government and the Civil Service are all impacted by people employed on a temporary basis (most of whom will see their contracts end before the end of June 2011) in connection with the 2011 Census. When these temporary employees are removed from headcount estimates, total public sector employment is shown to have decreased by 39,000 to 6.147 million, central government employment by 10,000 to 2.793 million and Civil Service employment by 7,000 to 499,000.

Compared with the previous year, there was a decrease of 143,000 (2.3 per cent) in public sector employment. The largest decrease was in local government (88,000; 3.0 per cent), followed by central government, which decreased by 37,000 (1.3 per cent).

**Public sector employment growth by sector - 2011 Q1; United Kingdom; Headcount; Seasonally Adjusted; Thousands**

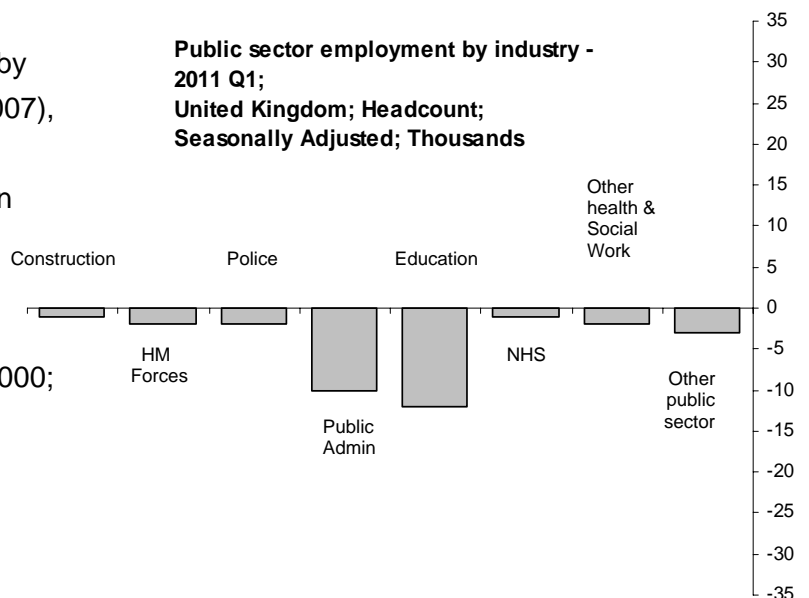


**Public sector employment by industry; headcount (Table 2)**

When public sector employment is analysed by industry (Standard Industrial Classification 2007), the largest decrease in the first quarter 2011, compared with the fourth quarter 2010, was in education (12,000; 0.7 per cent).

Employment in public administration, which includes temporary Census employment (10,000; 0.8 per cent), other public sector (3,000;

**Public sector employment by industry - 2011 Q1; United Kingdom; Headcount; Seasonally Adjusted; Thousands**



0.3 per cent), HM Forces (2,000; 1.0 per cent), Police (2,000; 0.7 per cent), other health and social work (2,000; 0.5 per cent), construction (1,000; 2.3 per cent) and National Health Service (1,000; 0.1 per cent) all showed a decrease in employment between Q4 2010 and Q1 2011.

**Public sector employment by sector classification and industry; full-time equivalents (Tables 3 and 4)**

Table 3 provides full-time equivalent (FTE) estimates by sector classification while Table 4 provides estimates by industry.

Total public sector employment on a FTE basis was 4.999 million in the first quarter 2011. Public sector employment on a FTE basis decreased by 26,000 (0.5 per cent) driven by local government, where there was a 20,000 (0.9 per cent) decrease. Employment in central government also decreased (8,000; 0.3 per cent). Employment in public corporations increased by 2,000 (0.4 per cent).

In Q1 2011 the number of FTE employees in the Civil Service in Great Britain stood at 471,000, an increase of 1,000 (0.2 per cent) compared with the previous quarter,

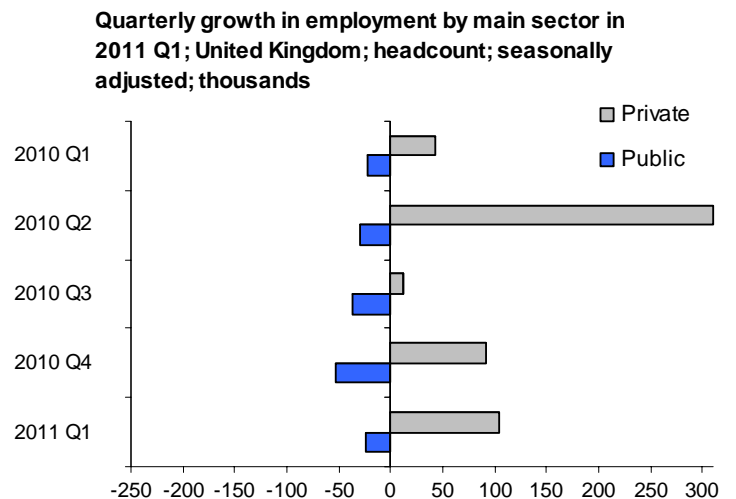
Estimates of employment for the public sector as a whole, central government and the Civil Service are impacted, at Q1 2011, by people employed on a temporary basis in connection with the 2011 Census. When these temporary employees are removed from FTE estimates, total public sector employment is shown to have decreased by 34,000 to 4.991 million, central government by 16,000 to 2.385 million and Civil Service employment by 7,000 to 463,000.

By industry, the largest decrease in March 2011 was in public administration (14,000, 1.4 per cent). The only increase was in other public sector (3,000; 0.4 per cent).

**Public and private sector employment; headcount (Table 5)**

Private sector employment totals are derived as the difference between Labour Force Survey employment estimates for the whole economy and the public sector estimates collected from public sector organisations.

Private sector employment increased by 104,000 to 23.077 million in the first quarter of 2011. Employment in the public sector decreased by



24,000 (0.4 per cent). In the first quarter 2011, the public sector accounted for 21.1 per cent of total employment in the UK, down from 21.2 per cent at Q4 2010.

### Regional public sector employment (not seasonally adjusted) (Table 6)

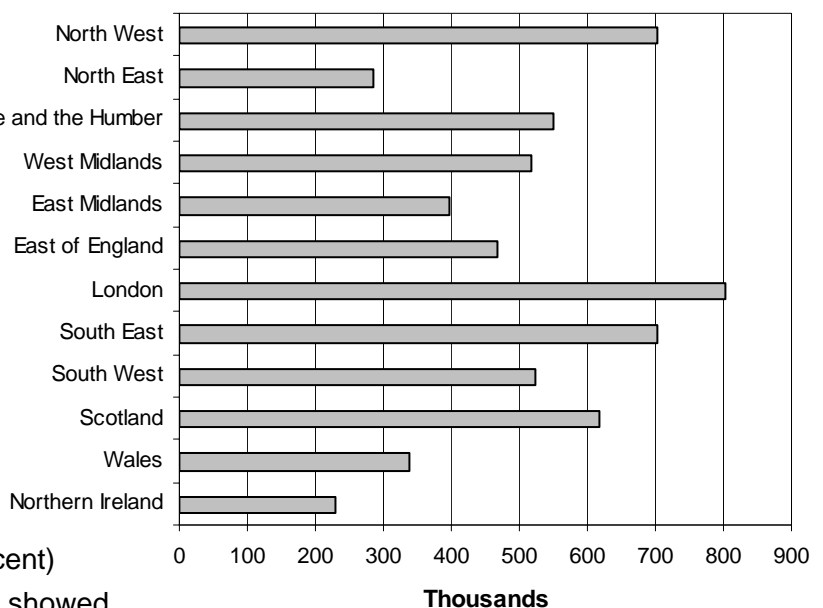
London is the region with the largest number of public sector employees (803,000) followed by the North West (704,000), the South East (704,000) and Scotland (618,000).

Compared with the same quarter a year ago, by English region, there were decreases in public sector employment for all regions.

The largest decreases were in the South West (23,000; 4.2 per cent), London (22,000; 2.7 per cent), North West (17,000; 2.4 per cent), South East (12,000; 1.7 per cent) and North East (11,000; 3.7 per cent).

England (109,000; 2.2 per cent), Scotland (8,000; 1.3 per cent), Wales (6,000; 1.7 per cent) and Northern Ireland (3,000; 1.3 per cent) all showed a decrease in public sector employment in the year to Q1 2011.

Public sector employment, 2011 Q1, not seasonally adjusted



Public sector employment in Great Britain (123,000; 2.0 per cent) decreased as did total public sector employment in the United Kingdom (143,000; 2.3 per cent (seasonally adjusted)).

In the first quarter of 2011, Northern Ireland (29.7 per cent); the North East (26.3 per cent), Wales (26.1 per cent) and Scotland (25.0 per cent) had the highest proportion of their workforce employed in the public sector. The areas of the UK with the lowest proportion of their workforce in the public sector are the East of England (17.7 per cent); South East (17.9 per cent); London (18.7 per cent) East Midlands (19.9 per cent); South West (20.9 per cent) and West Midlands (21.6 per cent).

### Public Sector Employment including and excluding financial corporations (Table 7)

Table 7 provides estimates of public sector employment excluding publicly owned financial corporations, for example, Royal Bank of Scotland Group and Lloyds Banking Group. Public sector

employment (excluding financial corporations) at Q1 2011, decreased by 21,000 (0.4 per cent) compared with the previous quarter, and by 135,000 (2.2 per cent) compared to the same quarter a year ago. At Q1 2011, publicly owned financial corporations accounted for 3.4 per cent of total public sector employment.

### **Civil Service employment by department (Table 8)**

The number of employees in the Civil Service increased by 7,540 (1.5 per cent) to 513,490, compared with the previous quarter and on a full-time equivalent (FTE) basis by 540 (0.1 per cent) to 470,760. However, it is important to note that these estimates include, at Q1 2011, 14,520 (7,620 FTE) individuals employed on a temporary basis in connection with the 2011 Census. When these temporary employees are removed, along with a small number of temporary Census employees in post at Q4 2010, Civil Service employment is shown to have declined over the period, by 6,600 (1.3%) to 498,970 on a headcount basis and by 6,830 (1.5%) to 463,140 on a FTE basis.

Excluding Census employees, there were no departments showing a large growth in employment in the first quarter 2011 (on a FTE basis). The largest decreases in employment (on a FTE basis) in the first quarter 2011 were recorded by the Department for Work and Pensions (2,730), Ministry of Defence (1,050) and the Ministry of Justice (580).

## Background Notes

### Results for Quarter 4 2010 to Quarter 1 2011

#### Basic Quality Information

1. In 2005 the Office for National Statistics (ONS), in collaboration with other government departments and the devolved administrations implemented major improvements to public sector employment (PSE) estimates. Standard definitions for public sector employment across all departmental statistics were agreed and a single definitive set of quarterly PSE estimates introduced. A new Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES) was established. ONS publishes official PSE estimates each quarter, as National Statistics in the form of a Statistical Bulletin, approximately 11 weeks after the period to which they refer.
2. A Summary Quality Report for *Public Sector Employment* can be found at:  
[www.ons.gov.uk/about-statistics/methodology-and-quality/quality/qual-info-economic-social-and-bus-stats/quality-reports-for-business-statistics/public-sector-employment.pdf](http://www.ons.gov.uk/about-statistics/methodology-and-quality/quality/qual-info-economic-social-and-bus-stats/quality-reports-for-business-statistics/public-sector-employment.pdf)  
This report describes, in detail, the intended uses of the statistics presented in this publication, their general quality and the methods used to produce them.

#### Relevance to users

3. The public sector comprises central government, local government and public corporations as defined for the UK National Accounts. ONS produces the United Kingdom's National Accounts. The National Accounts are an internationally comparable accounting framework that describes the activities in a national economy. The relevant international manuals are the System of National Accounts 1993(SNA93) and the European System of Accounts 1995 (ESA95). As part of the process of producing the National Accounts, ONS decides on the classification of institutions and transactions within the economy. The current UK classification process is described here:  
[http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/national\\_statistics/cop/downloads/NAclassification.pdf](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/national_statistics/cop/downloads/NAclassification.pdf)
4. The Sector Classifications Guide (MA23) provides information on the classification of organisations and institutions in the National Accounts:  
[www.statistics.gov.uk/CCI/SearchRes.asp?term=ma23](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/CCI/SearchRes.asp?term=ma23)
5. The public sector employment estimates relate to the number of people employed according to returns from relevant organisations, but they include a number of workers with a second job in the public sector whose main job is in the private sector or in a separate

public sector organisation. The private sector estimate, which is obtained by taking the difference between the Labour Force Survey estimate of people employed in the whole economy and the public sector total, will thus tend to be correspondingly understated by a small percentage.

6. Headcount estimates are based on the number of employees with an employment contract who are being paid by the organisation. Employees can be permanent, on a fixed-term contract or employed on a casual basis. Self-employed, contract workers and agency workers are excluded.
7. Permanent employees, as defined in Table 8, are employees with a contract with no agreed expiry date or a fixed term contract of more than 12 months. Temporary/casual employees are those with a fixed term contract of twelve months or less or employed on a casual basis.
8. As well as the headcount estimates, estimates have also been produced for the number of employees in full-time equivalents (FTE) back to 1999. This is based on converting part-time employees' hours into a full-time employees' equivalent and provides a better indication of total labour input than a simple headcount.

### **Common pitfalls in interpreting series**

9. Estimates of public sector employment for Q4 2010 to Q1 2011 are based partly on projections for some sources. As part of the development programme to improve the quality of public sector employment estimates, public sector organisations are working towards the production of timely quarterly estimates. Until this development programme is completed, there remains a requirement to include estimates for certain sources:
  - i) Police (including civilians) workforce estimates for England and Wales are published every six months (for two quarters) by the Home Office.
  - ii) NHS workforce statistics for England are derived from a pay system which covers all but 2 of the over 400 English NHS organisations. This produces very good estimates of staff numbers. Figures for the 2 other organisations are estimated based on annual NHS Workforce Census figures. This new source of estimates will reduce the need to revise estimates in the future.

The Home Office has provided estimates for the Police in England and Wales. These estimates are based on projections and may be subject to revision.

10. Public sector employment statistics have previously been published for periods up to and including Q4 2010. In line with the published revisions policy for public sector employment statistics: [http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme\\_labour/PSERevisionsPolicy.PDF](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_labour/PSERevisionsPolicy.PDF) the statistics have been revised to take account of late information for respondents and seasonal adjustment updates.
11. Tables 1R to 5R illustrate the size of the revisions in each category.

### Concepts and definitions

12. *Central government* includes all administrative departments of government and other central agencies and non-departmental public bodies, as such it is wider than the 'Civil Service'. This sector also includes HM Forces and the National Health Service (NHS). Within education, Academies are classified to central government. From 1 April 2005, central government includes the former Magistrates' Courts Service which has been brought together with the Court Service to form Her Majesty's Courts Service. The Magistrates' Courts Service was previously classified to local government.
13. *Local government* covers those types of public administration that only cover a locality and any bodies controlled and mainly financed by them. The sub-sector includes all areas of administrative authorities including parish councils, though these units are not covered by the current estimates for local authorities. It includes police forces and their civilian staff. All functions of local authorities are classified to the sub-sector, although trading activities that produce market output (for example, housing and municipally owned markets) are regarded as quasi-corporations and appear under public corporations. Local education authorities are part of local government, as are voluntary aided schools, county schools and, from September 1999, foundation schools (formerly grant-maintained).
14. *Public corporations* are companies or quasi-corporations controlled by government. Examples include Royal Mail and London Underground Ltd. These companies receive more than half their income from sales of goods or services into the market place (see background note 28 for details about financial institutions, for example Lloyds Banking Group and Royal Bank of Scotland Group, classified to the public sector).
15. The estimates of Civil Service employees count all home Civil Service employees (including from 1 April 2005 the employees of the former Magistrates' Courts Service). Civil Service employees can be classified to central government or public corporations. Examples of public corporations include the UK Intellectual Property Office and the Driving Standards Agency. Civil Service estimates exclude the Northern Ireland Civil Service and other Crown



servants. Employees in these groups are included in estimates of central government employment.

### Accuracy

16. *Response rates:* PSE statistics are compiled from a range of sources. The primary source is the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES). The QPSES comprises three separate data collections; the home Civil Service, Local Authorities in England and Wales and Great Britain public corporations and Non-Departmental Public Bodies (NDPBs). Returned questionnaires go through a series of automated validation tests to check for completeness and consistency and to identify any significant movements compared with the previous period reported (and the same period the previous year). The automated checks are followed up with respondents where errors are detected or further explanation is required. The target is to clear 95 per cent of test failures prior to processing results. ONS targets for response to each of the three surveys ahead of compiling results are 85 per cent (number of respondents) and 90 per cent (of total employment). In addition, each survey has a list of critical respondents (usually those with the largest employment) for which special efforts are made to achieve 100 per cent response and clearance of test failures.

#### 2011 Quarter 1 response rates

	Response (per cent of forms returned)	Response (per cent of employment)
Local Authorities Survey	91	91
Public Bodies Survey	88	94
Civil Service Survey	100	100
<i>Other sources</i> (see below)	100	100

17. Data for non-responders are imputed based on previous returns and known annual changes in seasonality. It is extremely rare for a Local Authority, Public Body or Civil Service department to non-respond for two consecutive quarters. The data collection is statutory for Local Authorities and Public Bodies (Statistics of Trade Act 1947) and positive action is taken to address non-response issues as and when they occur.
18. So that estimates of total public sector employment can be made it is necessary for further information to be gathered from external sources.

<b>Sources for Public Sector Employment estimates</b>		
	<b>Geographic coverage</b>	<b>Source</b>
<b>Central government</b>		
HM Forces	UK	MoD: DASA
National Health Service	England	Information Centre for health and social care (IC)
	Wales	Welsh Government
	Scotland	Scottish Government
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Other central government	GB	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS) Home Office (National Probation Service and Police Service Strength)
	NI	Department of Finance and Personnel
<b>Local government</b>		
Local authorities	England and Wales	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS)
	Scotland	Joint Staffing Watch: Scottish Government
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Police (including civilians)	England and Wales	Home Office
	Scotland	Joint Staffing Watch: Scottish Government
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
<b>Public corporations</b>		
	GB	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS)
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel

19. ONS is now able to produce regional estimates of PSE based on returns from public sector organisations (table 6). These supersede those produced using the Labour Force Survey (LFS) which previously had been used in conjunction with national PSE estimates to produce estimates by region.

### Future revisions

20. Statistics for the NHS for England for Q4 2007 onwards are partly based on projections and informed modelled estimates have been supplied by the Information Centre for health and social care. These estimates may be revised following the publication of the annual NHS workforce statistics.
21. Statistics for the Police (including civilians) for Q4 2007 onwards for England and Wales are based partly on projections supplied by the Home Office. These estimates may be revised following the publication of the latest Home Office statistics.
22. Due to ongoing validation of data from the new HM Forces Personnel Administration System, figures for 2007 Q2 onwards are provisional and subject to review.
23. On 13 October 2010, ONS announced the re-classification of most sixth form colleges to the public sector. An article providing further information is available at:  
[http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/Methodology\\_by\\_theme/national\\_accounts\\_classification\\_s.asp](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/Methodology_by_theme/national_accounts_classification_s.asp)
24. ONS plans to take on Sixth Form college estimates in full as part the scheduled Q3 2011 (December) release.

### Coherence

25. The estimates of public sector employment in education (SIC division 85) differ from the school workforce estimates published by the Department for Education (DfE) (formerly Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF)) mainly as a result of differences in coverage and data sources. DfE estimates focus on the number of FTE teachers and support staff in the maintained school sector for England only. By comparison, the ONS estimates are derived by allocating local authority employees to education using the Inter-Departmental Business Register (IDBR) and the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES) in England and Wales. Estimates include all employees reported by local authorities as working in primary, secondary and adult education establishments including some groups who are not covered by the DfE statistics, such as adult education staff and certain categories of support staff. Employment in education in Scotland and Northern Ireland are also included to give a wider UK coverage. The different coverage of the ONS and DfE education statistics serve the needs of different users. Those who require information on the workforce in England who are directly involved in pupils' teaching and learning should use DfE published statistics. Users should also refer to DfE published statistics to gauge trends in education employment. Those who seek data on UK public

sector employment in education, in its widest sense, should use the ONS data in this release. For further information on the differences between DfE and ONS data on education please see pages 44 to 46 of the Public Sector Employment Trends 2005 article published in October 2005:

[www.statistics.gov.uk/articles/nojournal/PublicSectorEmploymentTrends2005.pdf](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/articles/nojournal/PublicSectorEmploymentTrends2005.pdf)

26. ONS estimates for the NHS also differ from the headline figure produced by the Information Centre for health and social care (IC). Again, this reflects the wider UK coverage (IC figures are for England only) plus the exclusion by ONS of general practitioners (GPs). ONS, in accordance with National Accounts practice, classifies GPs as part of the private sector. ONS also include 'hospital practitioners and clinical assistants' who work in hospitals on a salaried pay scale but generally work as GPs leading the Information Centre to exclude them from their totals to avoid double counting. When these factors are allowed for, ONS and NHS data can be shown to be identical.
27. Sector classification and machinery of government changes in the period since 31 March 2010 are listed here:

<b>Sector classification changes affecting Public Sector Employment and machinery of government changes affecting the Civil Service</b>	
Scottish Government / General Register of Scotland	Census Field staff are included from Q3 2010.
UK Statistics Authority	Census Field staff are included from Q2 2010.
The Scottish Law Commission	From Q2 2010, Scottish Law Commission is now included in Public Bodies statistics. This return was previously reported within Civil Service.
Ministry of Justice	In Q4 2010, due to structural changes within MoJ, 1,270 staff moved from the National Offender Management Service into MoJ HQ.
The Civil Service Commission	The Civil Service Commission is a new Executive NDPB, established under the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010. The body formally came into existence on 11 November 2010 and staff are reported within the Cabinet Office from Q4 2010.

Directgov (now Cabinet Office)	On 20th July 2010, Directgov transferred from Department for Work and Pensions to Cabinet Office and staff transferred to Cabinet Office payroll in February 2011.
Creative Scotland	Creative Scotland was formed on 1 July 2010, a new executive NDPB assuming the functions of Scottish Arts Council and Scottish Screen.
Buying Solutions (now Cabinet Office)	On 15 June 2010, responsibility for Buying Solutions moved to Cabinet Office to form part of the Efficiency and Reform Group.
The Office of Government Commerce (OGC)	On 15 June 2010, responsibility for the OGC moved to Cabinet Office to form part of the Efficiency and Reform Group.
Youth Justice Policy Unit	With effect from 1 June 2010, the Youth Justice Policy Unit transferred under a Machinery of Government change to the Ministry of Justice from the Department for Education.
Department for Education (DfE)	On 12 May 2010, the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) became the DfE. The DfE is responsible for education and children's services.
The Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR)	OBR was formed in May 2010 to make an independent assessment of the public finances and the economy for each Budget and Pre-Budget Report. OBR staff are reported within HM Treasury from Q3 2010.
Cabinet Office	The Constitutional and Political Reform division transferred from Ministry of Justice to Cabinet Office under a Machinery of Government change. Approximately 80 staff transferred between the departments.
Skills Funding Agency	The Skills Funding Agency was set up on 1 April 2010 as an agency of the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills.

The Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual)	On 1 April 2010, the Apprenticeship, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 formally established Ofqual as a non-ministerial government department which reports directly to Parliament and the Northern Ireland Assembly.
Marine Management Organisation (MMO)	With effect from 1 April 2010, the Marine and Fisheries Agency was subsumed by the MMO, a new non-departmental public body (NDPB) of Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA). As a result of this movement, the status of MMO employees changed from civil to public servants.
The Meat Hygiene Service (MHS)	With effect from 1 April 2010, The Meat Hygiene Service (MHS) merged with the Food Standards Agency. MHS no longer exists as a separate organisation and has been included in the Food Standards Agency from Q2 2010.
National Health Service Purchasing and Supplies Agency (NHS PASA)	NHS PASA ceased to exist on 31 March 2010.

## FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS CLASSIFIED TO THE PUBLIC SECTOR

28. On 19 February 2009, ONS announced the classification of Royal Bank of Scotland Group and Lloyds Banking Group as public corporations from 13 October 2008. To facilitate analyses of public sector employment estimates by users, the following time-series has been created to demonstrate the full impact of recent financial corporations' classifications to the public sector (based on Standard Industrial Classification 2007, industry 64 (Financial Intermediation)).

**SIC 64; Public Sector; United Kingdom; Not seasonally adjusted;**

Period	Headcount	Full-time equivalent
2008 Q1 <sup>1 2</sup>	9,300	8,700
2008 Q2	9,400	8,800
2008 Q3 <sup>3</sup>	10,700	10,100
2008 Q4 <sup>4 5</sup>	238,800	217,800
2009 Q1	241,500	219,500
2009 Q2	235,500	214,900
2009 Q3	230,800	209,600
2009 Q4	220,100	200,100
2010 Q1	218,400	198,900
2010 Q2	221,000	202,000
2010 Q3	219,600	201,000
2010 Q4	212,100	194,200
2011 Q1	212,100	194,700

1 Bank of England classified as a public financial corporation on 7 February 2008 from its inception (1946).

2 Northern Rock classified as a public financial corporation from 9 October 2007.

3 Bradford and Bingley plc classified as a public financial corporation from 26 September 2008.

4 Lloyds Banking Group classified as a public financial corporation from 13 October 2008.

5 Royal Bank of Scotland Group classified as a public financial corporation from 13 October 2008.

**FURTHER EDUCATION COLLEGES**

29. On 13 October 2010, ONS announced the re-classification of Further Education colleges to the public sector. ONS, as part of the Q4 2010 publication, has taken on employment estimates for Further Education colleges back to 1993 or their inception if later.

**THE CENSUS**

30. The census is a count of the population in the UK. It takes place every 10 years and asks everyone the same questions to give a complete picture of the nation. This information is used to estimate the likely number of people and households in each area for the next 10 years. The Office for National Statistics (ONS) designs, manages and runs the census in England and Wales. The General Register Office Scotland (GROS) and the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) are responsible for the census in Scotland and Northern Ireland. All three have agreed to conduct their 2011 censuses on the same day (27 March 2011) in order to produce consistent and coherent information that covers

the whole of the UK. The census will generate approximately 40,000 temporary public sector jobs across the UK, covering a range of part-time and full-time roles.

### **NON-DEPARTMENTAL PUBLIC BODIES**

31. As part of the Q2 2011 Public Sector Employment statistical bulletin, ONS will publish a table detailing employment in Non-Departmental Public Bodies by their sponsoring government department. This table will not detail employment at an individual Non-Departmental Public Body level. ONS are working with Non-Departmental Public Bodies to gain consent to publish their individual returns to the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES) on the National Statistics website.

### **PUBLICATION POLICY**

32. The complete run of data in the tables of this statistical bulletin is also available to view and download in other electronic formats free of charge using the ONS Time Series Data website service. Users can download the complete release in a choice of zipped formats, or view and download their own selections of individual series. The Time Series Data service can be accessed at: [www.statistics.gov.uk/timeseries](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/timeseries)
33. ONS will launch its new website on 28 August 2011, postponed from the original date of 30 April 2011. The new website will improve the way users can access our statistics but many existing bookmarks and links will no longer work and users will need to update them. Find out more at <http://www.ons.gov.uk/about/what-we-do/programmes---projects/web-development/index.html>
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United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government			Total public corporations <sup>6</sup>	Total public sector <sup>2 5 6 7</sup>	Of which: Civil Service <sup>4 5 8</sup>
	Central government <sup>2 3 4 5</sup>	Local government <sup>2 3 4</sup>	Total general government			
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
1999	2 326	2 757	5 083	360	5 443	504
2000	2 365	2 793	5 158	366	5 524	516
2001	2 443	2 794	5 237	379	5 616	522
2002	2 535	2 812	5 347	377	5 724	538
2003	2 645	2 855	5 500	387	5 887	560
2004	2 717	2 909	5 626	378	6 004	570
2005	2 778	2 946	5 724	383	6 107	571
2006	2 753	2 956	5 709	361	6 070	558
2007	2 695	2 964	5 659	355	6 014	539
2008	2 692	2 944	5 636	359	5 995	523
2009	2 793	2 932	5 725	563	6 288	527
2010	2 827	2 908	5 735	541	6 276	522
2007 Q1	2 706	2 962	5 668	357	6 025	543
Q2	2 695	2 964	5 659	355	6 014	539
Q3	2 690	2 958	5 648	354	6 002	533
Q4	2 684	2 952	5 636	374	6 010	530
2008 Q1	2 684	2 942	5 626	360	5 986	523
Q2	2 692	2 944	5 636	359	5 995	523
Q3	2 722	2 946	5 668	357	6 025	522
Q4	2 763	2 941	5 704	581	6 285	523
2009 Q1	2 772	2 945	5 717	571	6 288	525
Q2	2 793	2 932	5 725	563	6 288	527
Q3	2 838	2 929	5 767	552	6 319	534
Q4	2 854	2 929	5 783	544	6 327	533
2010 Q1	2 844	2 921 <sup>†</sup>	5 765 <sup>†</sup>	540	6 305 <sup>†</sup>	528
Q2	2 827	2 908	5 735	541	6 276	522
Q3	2 818	2 887	5 705	535	6 240	514
Q4	2 803 <sup>†</sup>	2 860	5 663	523	6 186	506
2011 Q1	2 807	2 833	5 640	522	6 162	513
Change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	-10	-8 <sup>†</sup>	-18 <sup>†</sup>	-4	-22 <sup>†</sup>	-5
Q2	-17	-13	-30	1	-29	-6
Q3	-9	-21	-30	-6	-36	-8
Q4	-15 <sup>†</sup>	-27	-42	-12	-54	-8
2011 Q1	4	-27	-23	-1	-24	7
% change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	-0.4	-0.3 <sup>†</sup>	-0.3	-0.7	-0.3	-0.9
Q2	-0.6	-0.4	-0.5	0.2	-0.5	-1.1
Q3	-0.3	-0.7	-0.5	-1.1	-0.6	-1.5
Q4	-0.5 <sup>†</sup>	-0.9	-0.7 <sup>†</sup>	-2.2	-0.9 <sup>†</sup>	-1.6
2011 Q1	0.1	-0.9	-0.4	-0.2	-0.4	1.4
Change on year to:						
2010 Q1	72	-24 <sup>†</sup>	48 <sup>†</sup>	-31	17 <sup>†</sup>	3
Q2	34	-24	10	-22	-12	-5
Q3	-20	-42	-62	-17	-79	-20
Q4	-51 <sup>†</sup>	-69	-120	-21	-141	-27
2011 Q1	-37	-88	-125	-18	-143	-15
% change on year to:						
2010 Q1	2.6	-0.8 <sup>†</sup>	0.8	-5.4	0.3	0.6
Q2	1.2	-0.8	0.2	-3.9	-0.2	-0.9
Q3	-0.7	-1.4	-1.1	-3.1	-1.3	-3.7
Q4	-1.8 <sup>†</sup>	-2.4	-2.1 <sup>†</sup>	-3.9	-2.2 <sup>†</sup>	-5.1
2011 Q1	-1.3	-3.0	-2.2	-3.3	-2.3	-2.8

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Source: Office for National Statistics

## 2 Public sector employment by industry; Headcount

United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public admin, defence, compulsory social security					Health and social work		
	Construction	HM Forces <sup>1 2</sup>	Police (including civilians) <sup>3</sup>	Public administration <sup>4</sup>	Education <sup>5</sup>	National Health Service <sup>6</sup>	Other health and social work	Other public sector <sup>7</sup>
	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM
1999	112	218	227	1 183	1 350	1 212	414	727
2000	109	217	225	1 189	1 406	1 239	411	730
2001	98	214	229	1 195	1 434	1 285	397	765
2002	84	214	238	1 223	1 443	1 348	389	785
2003	79	223	248	1 265	1 501	1 417	370	784
2004	79	218	264	1 278	1 538	1 475	384	769
2005	74	210	272	1 296	1 561	1 528	390	777
2006	67	204	274	1 292	1 587	1 522	383	744
2007	59	197	283	1 278	1 600	1 486	382	729
2008	51	193	286	1 234	1 611	1 506	379	736
2009	50	197	294	1 220	1 633	1 572	374	949
2010	46	197	292	1 212	1 660	1 599	377	893
2007 Q1	60	199	281	1 283	1 597	1 492	383	731
Q2	59	197	283	1 278	1 600	1 486	382	729
Q3	57	195	283	1 276	1 606	1 490	380	712
Q4	56	195	283	1 267	1 614	1 490	375	730
2008 Q1	53	193	286	1 241	1 609	1 495	379	730
Q2	51	193	286	1 234	1 611	1 506	379	736
Q3	52	195	287	1 215	1 621	1 532	380	741
Q4	51	193	289	1 222	1 624	1 554	379	976
2009 Q1	50	195	293	1 218	1 635	1 554	379	962
Q2	50	197	294	1 220	1 633	1 572	374	949
Q3	47	200	296	1 230	1 631	1 598	387	930
Q4	48	198	295	1 225	1 652	1 614	383	913
2010 Q1	47	198	295	1 223	1 648 <sup>†</sup>	1 605	379	904
Q2	46	197	292	1 212	1 660	1 599	377	893
Q3	46	196	290	1 191	1 652	1 597	377	888
Q4	44	195	288	1 186 <sup>†</sup>	1 636	1 596 <sup>†</sup>	373 <sup>†</sup>	874
2011 Q1	43	193	286	1 176	1 624	1 595	371	871
Change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1	-1	-	-	-2	-4 <sup>†</sup>	-9	-4	-9
Q2	-1	-1	-3	-11	12	-6	-2	-11
Q3	-	-1	-2	-21	-8	-2	-	-5
Q4	-2	-1	-2	-5 <sup>†</sup>	-16	-1 <sup>†</sup>	-4 <sup>†</sup>	-14
2011 Q1	-1	-2	-2	-10	-12	-1	-2	-3
% change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1	-2.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.2 <sup>†</sup>	-0.6	-1.0	-1.0
Q2	-2.1	-0.5	-1.0	-0.9	0.7	-0.4	-0.5	-1.2
Q3	0.0	-0.5	-0.7	-1.7	-0.5	-0.1	0.0	-0.6
Q4	-4.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.4 <sup>†</sup>	-1.0	-0.1 <sup>†</sup>	-1.1 <sup>†</sup>	-1.6
2011 Q1	-2.3	-1.0	-0.7	-0.8	-0.7	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3
Change on year to:								
2010 Q1	-3	3	2	5	13 <sup>†</sup>	51	-	-58
Q2	-4	-	-2	-8	27	27	3	-56
Q3	-1	-4	-6	-39	21	-1	-10	-42
Q4	-4	-3	-7	-39 <sup>†</sup>	-16	-18 <sup>†</sup>	-10 <sup>†</sup>	-39
2011 Q1	-4	-5	-9	-47	-24	-10	-8	-33
% change on year to:								
2010 Q1	-6.0	1.5	0.7	0.4	0.8 <sup>†</sup>	3.3	0.0	-6.0
Q2	-8.0	0.0	-0.7	-0.7	1.7	1.7	0.8	-5.9
Q3	-2.1	-2.0	-2.0	-3.2	1.3	-0.1	-2.6	-4.5
Q4	-8.3	-1.5	-2.4	-3.2 <sup>†</sup>	-1.0	-1.1 <sup>†</sup>	-2.6 <sup>†</sup>	-4.3
2011 Q1	-8.5	-2.5	-3.1	-3.8	-1.5	-0.6	-2.1	-3.7

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# 3 Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent<sup>1</sup>

United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government			Total public corporations <sup>6</sup>	Total public sector <sup>2 5 6 7</sup>	Of which: Civil Service <sup>4 5 8</sup>
	Central government <sup>2 3 4 5</sup>	Local government <sup>2 3 4</sup>	Total general government			
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
1999	1 969	2 019	3 988	340	4 328	482
2000	2 001	2 033	4 034	346	4 380	492
2001	2 063	2 028	4 091	358	4 449	497
2002	2 137	2 047	4 184	357	4 541	511
2003	2 225	2 084	4 309	365	4 674	529
2004	2 294	2 127	4 421	356	4 777	538
2005	2 341	2 164	4 505	360	4 865	537
2006	2 323	2 193	4 516	338	4 854	524
2007	2 294	2 204	4 498	331	4 829	505
2008	2 300	2 189	4 489	335	4 824	489
2009	2 392	2 193	4 585	519	5 104	493
2010	2 425	2 182	4 607	498	5 105	487
2007 Q1	2 306	2 203	4 509	333	4 842	509
Q2	2 294	2 204	4 498	331	4 829	505
Q3	2 292	2 204	4 496	331	4 827	500
Q4	2 288	2 194	4 482	351	4 833	496
2008 Q1	2 286	2 191	4 477	335	4 812	490
Q2	2 300	2 189	4 489	335	4 824	489
Q3	2 324	2 198	4 522	332	4 854	488
Q4	2 360	2 197	4 557	535	5 092	489
2009 Q1	2 379	2 203	4 582	525	5 107	490
Q2	2 392	2 193	4 585	519	5 104	493
Q3	2 424	2 192	4 616	508	5 124	498
Q4	2 440	2 199	4 639	499	5 138	498
2010 Q1	2 441	2 187 <sup>†</sup>	4 628 <sup>†</sup>	496 <sup>†</sup>	5 124 <sup>†</sup>	492
Q2	2 425	2 182	4 607	498	5 105	487
Q3	2 411	2 165	4 576	492	5 068	478
Q4	2 401 <sup>†</sup>	2 141	4 542	483	5 025	470
2011 Q1	2 393	2 121	4 514	485	4 999	471
Change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	1	-12 <sup>†</sup>	-11 <sup>†</sup>	-3 <sup>†</sup>	-14 <sup>†</sup>	-6
Q2	-16	-5	-21	2	-19	-5
Q3	-14	-17	-31	-6	-37	-9
Q4	-10 <sup>†</sup>	-24	-34	-9	-43	-8
2011 Q1	-8	-20	-28	2	-26	1
% change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	0.0	-0.5 <sup>†</sup>	-0.2 <sup>†</sup>	-0.6 <sup>†</sup>	-0.3	-1.2
Q2	-0.7	-0.2	-0.5	0.4	-0.4	-1.0
Q3	-0.6	-0.8	-0.7	-1.2	-0.7	-1.8
Q4	-0.4	-1.1	-0.7	-1.8	-0.8 <sup>†</sup>	-1.7
2011 Q1	-0.3	-0.9	-0.6	0.4	-0.5	0.2
Change on year to:						
2010 Q1	62	-16 <sup>†</sup>	46 <sup>†</sup>	-29 <sup>†</sup>	17 <sup>†</sup>	2
Q2	33	-11	22	-21	1	-6
Q3	-13	-27	-40	-16	-56	-20
Q4	-39 <sup>†</sup>	-58	-97	-16	-113	-28
2011 Q1	-48	-66	-114	-11	-125	-21
% change on year to:						
2010 Q1	2.6	-0.7 <sup>†</sup>	1.0 <sup>†</sup>	-5.5 <sup>†</sup>	0.3	0.4
Q2	1.4	-0.5	0.5	-4.0	0.0	-1.2
Q3	-0.5	-1.2	-0.9	-3.1	-1.1	-4.0
Q4	-1.6	-2.6	-2.1	-3.2	-2.2 <sup>†</sup>	-5.6
2011 Q1	-2.0	-3.0	-2.5	-2.2	-2.4	-4.3

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# 4 Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent

United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security					Health and social work		
	Construction <sup>1</sup>	HM Forces <sup>2 3</sup>	Police (including civilians) <sup>4</sup>	Public administration <sup>5</sup>	Education <sup>6</sup>	National Health Service <sup>7</sup>	Other health and social work	Other public sector <sup>8</sup>
	G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
1999	..	218	220	999	927	982	292	608
2000	..	217	218	1 005	962	1 001	288	609
2001	..	214	222	1 009	980	1 037	279	637
2002	..	214	230	1 031	990	1 088	275	652
2003	..	223	240	1 065	1 032	1 139	263	653
2004	..	218	254	1 078	1 059	1 192	274	643
2005	..	210	262	1 091	1 078	1 236	280	653
2006	..	204	264	1 087	1 109	1 238	279	623
2007	..	197	272	1 071	1 120	1 233	279	611
2008	..	193	275	1 034	1 129	1 259	275	621
2009	..	197	283	1 025	1 152	1 317	275	815
2010	..	197	281	1 021	1 176	1 349	277	768
2007 Q1	..	199	271	1 077	1 119	1 238	279	612
Q2	..	197	272	1 071	1 120	1 233	279	611
Q3	..	195	272	1 072	1 128	1 237	278	599
Q4	..	195	273	1 060	1 130	1 240	273	619
2008 Q1	..	193	275	1 041	1 128	1 242	276	616
Q2	..	193	275	1 034	1 129	1 259	275	621
Q3	..	195	276	1 023	1 139	1 277	278	624
Q4	..	193	278	1 026	1 144	1 295	278	840
2009 Q1	..	195	281	1 025	1 152	1 308	279	826
Q2	..	197	283	1 025	1 152	1 317	275	815
Q3	..	200	284	1 038	1 151	1 332	284	797
Q4	..	198	283	1 034	1 170	1 351	282	784
2010 Q1	..	198	283	1 029	1 164 <sup>†</sup>	1 355	278	776 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	..	197	281	1 021	1 176	1 349	277	768
Q3	..	196	278	1 003	1 168	1 343	277	765
Q4	..	195	276 <sup>†</sup>	995 <sup>†</sup>	1 157	1 344 <sup>†</sup>	275 <sup>†</sup>	752
2011 Q1	..	193	274	981	1 147	1 338	273	755
Change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1	..	-	-	-5	-6 <sup>†</sup>	4	-4	-8 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	..	-1	-2	-8	12	-6	-1	-8
Q3	..	-1	-3	-18	-8	-6	-	-3
Q4	..	-1	-2 <sup>†</sup>	-8 <sup>†</sup>	-11	1 <sup>†</sup>	-2 <sup>†</sup>	-13
2011 Q1	..	-2	-2	-14	-10	-6	-2	3
% change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1	..	0.0	0.0	-0.5	-0.5 <sup>†</sup>	0.3	-1.4	-1.0 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	..	-0.5	-0.7	-0.8	1.0	-0.4	-0.4	-1.0
Q3	..	-0.5	-1.1	-1.8	-0.7	-0.4	0.0	-0.4
Q4	..	-0.5	-0.7 <sup>†</sup>	-0.8 <sup>†</sup>	-0.9	0.1 <sup>†</sup>	-0.7 <sup>†</sup>	-1.7
2011 Q1	..	-1.0	-0.7	-1.4	-0.9	-0.4	-0.7	0.4
Change on year to:								
2010 Q1	..	3	2	4	12 <sup>†</sup>	47	-1	-50 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	..	-	-2	-4	24	32	2	-47
Q3	..	-4	-6	-35	17	11	-7	-32
Q4	..	-3	-7 <sup>†</sup>	-39 <sup>†</sup>	-13	-7 <sup>†</sup>	-7 <sup>†</sup>	-32
2011 Q1	..	-5	-9	-48	-17	-17	-5	-21
% change on year to:								
2010 Q1	..	1.5	0.7	0.4	1.0 <sup>†</sup>	3.6	-0.4	-6.1 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	..	0.0	-0.7	-0.4	2.1	2.4	0.7	-5.8
Q3	..	-2.0	-2.1	-3.4	1.5	0.8	-2.5	-4.0
Q4	..	-1.5	-2.5 <sup>†</sup>	-3.8 <sup>†</sup>	-1.1	-0.5 <sup>†</sup>	-2.5 <sup>†</sup>	-4.1
2011 Q1	..	-2.5	-3.2	-4.7	-1.5	-1.3	-1.8	-2.7

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# 5 Public and private sector employment; Headcount<sup>1</sup>

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	Public sector		Private sector		Total employment(thousands) <sup>8</sup>
	Headcount(thousands) <sup>2 3 4 5</sup>	Percentage <sup>6</sup>	Headcount(thousands) <sup>7 8</sup>	Percentage <sup>9</sup>	
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2	G7GO
1999	5 443	20.1	21 672	79.9	27 115
2000	5 524	20.1	22 004	79.9	27 528
2001	5 616	20.3	22 083	79.7	27 699
2002	5 724	20.5	22 157 <sup>†</sup>	79.5	27 881 <sup>†</sup>
2003	5 887	20.9	22 307	79.1	28 194
2004	6 004	21.1	22 415	78.9	28 419
2005	6 107	21.2	22 669	78.8	28 776
2006	6 070	20.9	22 960	79.1	29 030
2007	6 014	20.6	23 191	79.4	29 205
2008	5 995	20.3	23 513	79.7	29 508
2009	6 288	21.8	22 543	78.2	28 831
2010	6 276	21.5	22 869	78.5	29 145
2007 Q1	6 025	20.7	23 073 <sup>†</sup>	79.3	29 098 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	6 014	20.6	23 191	79.4	29 205
Q3	6 002	20.5	23 311	79.5	29 313
Q4	6 010	20.4	23 427	79.6	29 437
2008 Q1	5 986	20.3	23 542	79.7	29 528
Q2	5 995	20.3	23 513	79.7	29 508
Q3	6 025	20.5	23 321	79.5	29 346
Q4	6 285	21.4	23 043	78.6	29 328
2009 Q1	6 288	21.6	22 790	78.4	29 078
Q2	6 288	21.8	22 543	78.2	28 831
Q3	6 319	21.9	22 573	78.1	28 892
Q4	6 327	21.9	22 515	78.1	28 842
2010 Q1	6 305 <sup>†</sup>	21.8	22 557	78.2	28 862
Q2	6 276	21.5	22 869	78.5	29 145
Q3	6 240	21.4	22 881	78.6	29 121
Q4	6 186	21.2	22 973	78.8	29 159
2011 Q1	6 162	21.1	23 077	78.9	29 239
Change on quarter to:					
2010 Q1	-22 <sup>†</sup>	-0.1	42 <sup>†</sup>	0.1	20 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	-29	-0.3	312	0.3	283
Q3	-36	-0.1	12	0.1	-24
Q4	-54	-0.2	92	0.2	38
2011 Q1	-24	-0.1	104	0.1	80
% change on quarter to:					
2010 Q1	-0.3		0.2		0.1
Q2	-0.5		1.4		1.0
Q3	-0.6		0.1		-0.1
Q4	-0.9 <sup>f</sup>		0.4 <sup>f</sup>		0.1
2011 Q1	-0.4		0.5		0.3
Change on year to:					
2010 Q1	17 <sup>†</sup>	0.2	-233 <sup>†</sup>	-0.2	-216 <sup>†</sup>
Q2	-12	-0.3	326	0.3	314
Q3	-79	-0.5	308	0.5	229
Q4	-141	-0.7	458	0.7	317
2011 Q1	-143	-0.7	520	0.7	377
% change on year to:					
2010 Q1	0.3		-1.0		-0.7
Q2	-0.2		1.4 <sup>f</sup>		1.1
Q3	-1.3		1.4		0.8
Q4	-2.2 <sup>f</sup>		2.0		1.1 <sup>†</sup>
2011 Q1	-2.3		2.3		1.3

1 Annual figures relate to June quarter (Q2).

2 Estimates for Q4 2007 onwards are based partly on projections.

3 Northern Rock classified to public sector from 9 October 2007. Bradford & Bingley classified to public sector from 26 September 2008. Royal Bank of Scotland Group and Lloyds Banking Group classified to public sector from 13 October 2008. See background note 28.

4 Further Education colleges classified to public sector from 1993. See background notes 24 and 29.

5 Estimates for Q1 2011 include 15,000 temporary staff employed in connection with the 2011 Census.

6 Represents G7AU/G7GO\*100.

7 Estimated as the difference between LFS total employment and the data from public sector organisations.

8 Labour Force Survey - All in Employment aged 16 and over. Data refer to May-July for annual data from 1992-2004, for Q1 to Feb-Apr, Q2 to May-July, Q3 to Aug-Oct and Q4 to Nov-Jan. Quarterly and annual changes may differ slightly from those published elsewhere due to rounding conventions.

9 Represents G7K5/G7GO\*100.

<sup>†</sup> Indicates earliest revision.

Sources: Labour Force Survey and estimates from public sector organisations; Office for National Statistics

## 6 Regional public sector employment<sup>1 2 3 4 5</sup>

Headcount (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

All employees	Government Office Region (GOR)								
	North West	North East	Yorkshire and the Humber	West Midlands	East Midlands	East of England	London	South East	South West
2008	696	293	524	508	383	456	751	679	513
2009	724	298	559	526	398	474	804	714	542
2010	717	294	557	522	397	473	827	709	540
2009 Q4	728	296	568	528	398	475	830	720	553
2010 Q1	721	296	559	524	400	473	825	716	547
2010 Q2	717	294	557	522	397	473	827	709	540
2010 Q3	711	287	553	518	399	467	816	705	532
2010 Q4	708	286	544	524	398	472	813	710	529
2011 Q1	704	285	550	518	396	468	803	704	524
Change on quarter to:									
2011 Q1	-4	-1	6	-6	-2	-4	-10	-6	-5
% change	-0.6	-0.3	1.1	-1.1	-0.5	-0.8	-1.2	-0.8	-0.9
Change on year to:									
2011 Q1	-17	-11	-9	-6	-4	-5	-22	-12	-23
% change	-2.4	-3.7	-1.6	-1.1	-1.0	-1.1	-2.7	-1.7	-4.2
PSE % of total employment									
2010 Q1	23.1	26.6	23.3	21.9	20.5	18.8	19.7	18.3	22.1
2010 Q4	22.7	25.8	22.4	21.6	20.0	18.6	19.5	18.1	21.2
2011 Q1	22.7	26.3	23.2	21.6	19.9	17.7	18.7	17.9	20.9

Headcount (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

All employees	United Kingdom <sup>9 10</sup>						Kingdom (seasonally adjusted) <sup>9 10</sup>
	England	Wales	Scotland <sup>6</sup>	Great Britain <sup>7</sup>	Northern Ireland <sup>8</sup>	United Kingdom <sup>9 10</sup>	
2008	4803	338	595	5736	223	5996	5995
2009	5039	348	632	6019	230	6288	6288
2010	5035	345	623	6003	229	6276	6276
2009 Q4	5095	349	630	6074	231	6346	6327
2010 Q1	5062	345	626	6033	231	6308	6305
2010 Q2	5035	345	623	6003	229	6276	6276
2010 Q3	4988	341	621	5950	226	6214	6240
2010 Q4	4984	342	616	5942	228	6209	6186
2011 Q1	4953	339	618	5910	228	6166	6162
Change on quarter to:							
2011 Q1	-31	-3	2	-32	0	-43	-24
% change	-0.6	-0.9	0.3	-0.5	0.0	-0.7	-0.4
Change on year to:							
2011 Q1	-109	-6	-8	-123	-3	-142	-143
% change	-2.2	-1.7	-1.3	-2.0	-1.3	-2.3	-2.3
PSE % of total employment							
2010 Q1	21.0	27.2	25.8	21.7	30.5	21.9	21.8
2010 Q4	20.6	27.2	24.8	21.3	30.4	21.3	21.2
2011 Q1	20.3	26.1	25.0	21.0	29.7	21.2	21.1

Source: Office for National Statistics

1 Annual figures relate to June quarter (Q2).

2 Estimates are based on where people are employed.

3 Northern Rock classified to the public sector from 9 October 2007. Bradford and Bingley classified to public sector from 26 September 2008. Royal Bank of Scotland Group and Lloyds Banking Group classified to public sector from 13 October 2008.

4 UK rates based on total employment that includes overseas employees, those who did not state their region of workplace when surveyed as part of the Labour Force Survey and approximately 40,000 public sector employees that could not be assigned to a region.

5 Quarterly changes in employment may be due to seasonal effects.

6 Public Sector employment estimates for Scotland Q1 2011 will be revised on the 28th of June and included in the Scottish Government publication: Public Sector Employment in Scotland. This revision will take account of revised NHS headcount figures (based on a new improved methodology).

Further details can be found at <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Labour-Market/PublicSectorEmployment>

7 Great Britain is the total of England, Wales and Scotland.

8 Estimates of PSE for Northern Ireland will differ to those published by DETINI. The ONS figures include HM Forces personnel.

9 Includes 40,000 public sector employees that could not be assigned to a region.

10 Estimates of employment for Q1 2011 include 15,000 temporary staff employed to undertake the 2011 Census.



# 7 Public sector employment including and excluding financial corporations<sup>1</sup>

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Headcount			Full-time equivalent		
	Public sector excluding financial corporations	Publicly owned financial corporations <sup>2,3</sup>	Total public sector employment	Public sector excluding financial corporations	Publicly owned financial corporations <sup>4</sup>	Total public sector employment
	K8PE	K8PD	G7AU	K8PJ	K8PI	G7G3
2009	6056	232	6288	4889	215	5104
2010	6057	219	6276	4904	201	5105
2009 Q1	6047	241	6288	4887	220	5107
Q2	6056	232	6288	4889	215	5104
Q3	6089	230	6319	4914	210	5124
Q4	6103	224	6327	4936	202	5138
2010 Q1	6087	218	6305	4924	200	5124
Q2	6057	219	6276	4904	201	5105
Q3	6019	221	6240	4868	200	5068
Q4	5973	213	6186	4829	196	5025
2011 Q1 <sup>5</sup>	5952	210	6162	4803	196	4999
Change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	-16	-6	-22	-12	-2	-14
Q2	-30	1	-29	-20	1	-19
Q3	-38	2	-36	-36	-1	-37
Q4	-46	-8	-54	-39	-4	-43
2011 Q1 <sup>5</sup>	-21	-3	-24	-26	0	-26
% change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	-0.3	-2.7	-0.3	-0.2	-1.0	-0.3
Q2	-0.5	0.5	-0.5	-0.4	0.5	-0.4
Q3	-0.6	0.9	-0.6	-0.7	-0.5	-0.7
Q4	-0.8	-3.6	-0.9	-0.8	-2.0	-0.8
2011 Q1 <sup>5</sup>	-0.4	-1.4	-0.4	-0.5	0.0	-0.5
Change on year to:						
2010 Q1	40	-23	17	37	-20	17
Q2	1	-13	-12	15	-14	1
Q3	-70	-9	-79	-46	-10	-56
Q4	-130	-11	-141	-107	-6	-113
2011 Q1 <sup>5</sup>	-135	-8	-143	-121	-4	-125
% change on year to:						
2010 Q1	0.7	-9.5	0.3	0.8	-9.1	0.3
Q2	0.0	-5.6	-0.2	0.3	-6.5	0.0
Q3	-1.1	-3.9	-1.3	-0.9	-4.8	-1.1
Q4	-2.1	-4.9	-2.2	-2.2	-3.0	-2.2
2011 Q1 <sup>5</sup>	-2.2	-3.7	-2.3	-2.5	-2.0	-2.4

Source: Office for National Statistics

1. Publicly owned financial corporations, excluding insurance and pension funding, as defined by Section 64 of Standard Industrial Classification 2007.

Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc and Lloyds Banking Group plc are classified to the public sector from 13 October 2008. They are therefore included in the public sector estimates from 2008 Q4 onwards but not earlier periods.

2. Based on data collected for England, Wales and Scotland via the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES).

3. Derived from two seasonally adjusted series: G7AU-K8PE

4. Derived from two seasonally adjusted series: G7G3-K8PJ

5. Estimates of employment for Q1 2011 include 15,000 (8,000 FTE) temporary staff employed to undertake the 2011 Census. For further information please see Background note 30 of the Q1 2011 Public Sector Employment statistical bulletin.

[Further information, including NSA data, available on page 15 of Q1 2011 PSE Statistical Bulletin.](#)

## 8 Civil Service employment by department <sup>1 2</sup>

Headcount, Great Britain, not seasonally adjusted

	Q1 2011						Q4 2010		Change
	Male			Female			Total	Total	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
<b>Permanent employees</b>									
Attorney General's departments	3150	190	3340	4230	1980	6220	9560	9610	-50
Business, Innovation and Skills	5170	300	5470	4630	1490	6120	11590	11670	-80
Cabinet Office	700	20	720	710	100	810	1520	1470	50
Other Cabinet Office agencies	510	20	540	520	140	660	1200	1230	-30
Charity Commission	180	10	190	170	70	240	430	450	-20
Department for Education	1070	50	1130	1260	390	1650	2780	2870	-90
Communities and Local Government	2380	150	2520	1340	490	1830	4350	4690	-330
Culture, Media and Sport	300	10	310	210	40	260	570	590	-20
Defence	46260	1580	47830	20670	5660	26330	74160	75210	-1050
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	4340	270	4610	3730	1560	5290	9900	9990	-90
Export Credits Guarantee Department	120	..	130	60	10	70	200	200	0
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	3370	20	3380	2240	160	2400	5790	5900	-120
Government Equalities Office	40	0	40	70	10	80	120	110	10
Health	1550	90	1640	1720	440	2160	3800	3830	-30
Food Standards Agency	920	30	950	360	70	440	1380	1390	..
HM Revenue and Customs	28430	3920	32350	24990	20200	45190	77540	78190	-650
HM Treasury	640	10	650	490	70	560	1210	1270	-60
Chancellor's other departments	200	10	210	130	30	160	370	370	0
Home Office	12770	940	13710	10680	4690	15370	29070	29450	-380
International Development	760	20	780	700	130	830	1610	1610	-10
Justice	39810	3080	42900	28900	10560	39460	82360	82640	-290
Northern Ireland Office	60	10	70	30	10	50	110	120	-10
Ofsted	570	20	590	750	120	870	1460	1470	-10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	60	0	60	100	..	100	160	160	..
Security and Intelligence Services	3470	130	3600	1320	620	1940	5540	5810	-280
Transport	10180	610	10800	5400	2230	7630	18430	18930	-500
United Kingdom Statistics Authority	1080	640	1730	1080	1050	2130	3860	3900	-50
Work and Pensions	35430	4820	40250	43000	38650	81640	121890	124760	-2870
Department for Energy and Climate Change	650	10	660	440	70	500	1160	1140	20
<b>Central Government Departments Total</b>	<b>204160</b>	<b>16950</b>	<b>221110</b>	<b>159920</b>	<b>91060</b>	<b>250980</b>	<b>472090</b>	<b>479010</b>	<b>-6920</b>
Scottish Government	8530	460	8990	5980	2020	8000	16990	17210	-220
Welsh Assembly	2230	120	2350	2450	770	3220	5560	5620	-60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>214920</b>	<b>17530</b>	<b>232450</b>	<b>168350</b>	<b>93850</b>	<b>262200</b>	<b>494650</b>	<b>501840</b>	<b>-7190</b>

	Q1 2011						Q4 2010		Change
	Male			Female			Total	Total	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
<b>Temporary/Casual Employees</b>									
Attorney General's departments	30	..	40	30	..	30	70	70	..
Business, Innovation and Skills	130	10	140	120	10	130	270	290	-30
Cabinet Office	20	0	20	10	0	10	30	30	..
Other Cabinet Office agencies	20	0	20	10	0	10	30	30	..
Charity Commission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Department for Education	0	0	0	..	0	..	..	..	..
Communities and Local Government	20	0	20	30	..	30	40	60	-10
Culture, Media and Sport	10	0	10	10	..	10	10	10	10
Defence	90	10	100	60	0	60	160	190	-30
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	20	..	30	50	0	50	80	70	10
Export Credits Guarantee Department	..	0	..	..	0	..	..	10	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	..	..	..	..	0	..	..	..	..
Government Equalities Office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	-10
Health	30	0	30	30	..	30	60	70	-10
Food Standards Agency	10	0	10	..	..	10	10	20	..
HM Revenue and Customs	440	..	440	460	..	470	910	20	880
HM Treasury	30	..	40	30	0	30	60	70	-10
Chancellor's other departments	10	0	10	..	..	10	10	20	-10
Home Office	70	10	90	60	20	80	170	270	-100
International Development	0	0	0	..	..	..	..	10	..
Justice	420	50	480	510	70	590	1060	1320	-260
Northern Ireland Office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ofsted	10	0	10	20	..	20	30	30	-10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	10	0	10	..	0	..	10	10	..
Security and Intelligence Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport	80	40	120	70	50	120	240	280	-40
United Kingdom Statistics Authority <sup>3</sup>	1510	2580	4090	1060	2840	3900	7990	230	7760
Work and Pensions	250	..	250	250	10	260	510	310	200
Department for Energy and Climate Change	..	..	10	..	..	..	10	10	10
<b>Central Government Departments Total</b>	<b>3210</b>	<b>2720</b>	<b>5930</b>	<b>2820</b>	<b>3020</b>	<b>5840</b>	<b>11760</b>	<b>3430</b>	<b>8340</b>
Scottish Government <sup>3</sup>	90	2750	2840	110	3960	4070	6910	480	6430
Welsh Assembly	80	0	80	90	10	100	170	210	-30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3380</b>	<b>5460</b>	<b>8840</b>	<b>3020</b>	<b>6990</b>	<b>10000</b>	<b>18840</b>	<b>4110</b>	<b>14730</b>

	Q1 2011						Q4 2010		Change
	Male			Female			Total	Total	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total			
<b>All employees</b>	<b>218290</b>	<b>22990</b>	<b>241290</b>	<b>171370</b>	<b>100840</b>	<b>272210</b>	<b>513490</b>	<b>505950</b>	<b>7540</b>

Source: Office for National Statistics

1 Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by "..". Data not available are represented by "-".

2 Department totals include Executive Agencies, Ministerial and Non-Ministerial Departments.

3 Q1 2011 estimates of employment for United Kingdom Statistics Authority and Scottish Government include temporary staff employed to undertake the 2011 Census.

## 8 ..continued Civil Service employment by department <sup>1 2</sup>

Full-time equivalents, Great Britain, not seasonally adjusted

	Q1 2011			Q4 2010	Change on Quarter
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Total
<b>Permanent employees</b>					
Attorney General's departments	3290	5600	8890	8950	-70
Business, Innovation and Skills	5370	5670	11040	11130	-90
Cabinet Office	710	780	1490	1430	60
Other Cabinet Office agencies	530	620	1150	1180	-30
Charity Commission	190	220	400	420	-20
Department for Education	1110	1540	2650	2740	-90
Communities and Local Government	2470	1680	4160	4460	-300
Culture, Media and Sport	310	250	550	570	-10
Defence	47340	24590	71930	72950	-1020
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	4530	4790	9310	9410	-90
Export Credits Guarantee Department	130	70	200	190	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	3380	2350	5720	5840	-120
Government Equalities Office	40	80	110	100	10
Health	1600	2020	3620	3660	-40
Food Standards Agency	930	410	1330	1350	-20
HM Revenue and Customs	31050	38660	69710	70520	-810
HM Treasury	650	540	1180	1230	-50
Chancellor's other departments	210	150	360	360	..
Home Office	13390	13850	27240	27660	-430
International Development	770	790	1560	1570	-10
Justice	41590	35600	77190	77520	-330
Northern Ireland Office	60	40	100	110	-10
Ofsted	580	830	1420	1430	-10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	60	100	160	160	..
Security and Intelligence Services	3560	1750	5300	5560	-260
Transport	10580	6870	17460	17940	-490
United Kingdom Statistics Authority	1420	1720	3140	3170	-30
Work and Pensions	38960	70120	109080	112020	-2940
Department for Energy and Climate Change	660	480	1140	1120	20
<b>Central Government Departments Total</b>	<b>215450</b>	<b>222140</b>	<b>437590</b>	<b>444760</b>	<b>-7180</b>
Scottish Government	8810	7320	16130	16360	-230
Welsh Assembly	2310	2980	5290	5340	-60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>226570</b>	<b>232440</b>	<b>459000</b>	<b>466470</b>	<b>-7460</b>

	Q1 2011			Q4 2010	Change on Quarter
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Total
<b>Temporary/Casual employees</b>					
Attorney General's departments	40	30	60	60	0
Business, Innovation and Skills	130	130	260	280	-30
Cabinet Office	20	10	30	30	..
Other Cabinet Office agencies	20	10	30	30	..
Charity Commission	0	0	0	0	0
Department for Education	0	..	..	..	..
Communities and Local Government	20	30	40	60	-10
Culture, Media and Sport	10	10	10	10	10
Defence	90	60	150	180	-30
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	30	50	80	70	..
Export Credits Guarantee Department	..	..	..	10	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	..	..	..	..	..
Government Equalities Office	0	0	0	10	-10
Health	30	30	60	70	-10
Food Standards Agency	10	..	10	10	..
HM Revenue and Customs	440	470	910	20	880
HM Treasury	30	30	60	70	-10
Chancellor's other departments	10	10	10	20	-10
Home Office	80	80	150	250	-100
International Development	0	..	..	10	..
Justice	450	550	1010	1260	-250
Northern Ireland Office	0	0	0	0	0
Ofsted	10	20	30	30	-10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	10	..	10	10	..
Security and Intelligence Services	0	0	0	0	0
Transport	100	90	190	230	-30
United Kingdom Statistics Authority <sup>3</sup>	3250	2960	6210	210	6000
Work and Pensions	250	260	510	300	210
Department for Energy and Climate Change	..	..	10	10	..
<b>Central Government Departments Total</b>	<b>5010</b>	<b>4830</b>	<b>9840</b>	<b>3230</b>	<b>6610</b>
Scottish Government <sup>3</sup>	730	1020	1750	330	1430
Welsh Assembly	80	90	170	200	-30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5820</b>	<b>5940</b>	<b>11760</b>	<b>3760</b>	<b>8000</b>

	Q1 2011			Q4 2010	Change on Quarter
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Total
<b>All employees</b>	<b>232390</b>	<b>238380</b>	<b>470760</b>	<b>470220</b>	<b>540</b>

Source: Office for National Statistics

1 Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by "...". Data not available are represented by "-".

2 Department totals include Executive Agencies, Ministerial and Non-Ministerial Departments.

3 Q1 2011 estimates of employment for United Kingdom Statistics Authority and Scottish Government include temporary staff employed to undertake the 2011 Census.

# 1R Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount - Revisions<sup>1</sup>

United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government			Total public corporations <sup>6</sup>	Total public sector <sup>2 5 6 7</sup>	Of which: Civil Service <sup>4 5 8</sup>
	Central government <sup>2 3 4 5</sup>	Local government <sup>2 3 4</sup>	Total general government			
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 Q1	-	2	2	-	2	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-6	-3	-9	-	-9	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	-	2	2	-	2	-
Q2	-	-2	-2	-	-2	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-6	-3	-9	-	-9	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:						
2010 Q1	-	2	2	-	2	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-6	-3	-9	-	-9	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:						
2010 Q1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..

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8 Home Civil Service (excludes Northern Ireland Civil Service which is included in Central Government).

† Indicates earliest revision

Source: Office for National Statistics

# 2R Public sector employment by industry; Headcount - Revisions

United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public admin, defence, compulsory social security					Health and social work		
	Construction	HM Forces <sup>1 2</sup>	Police (including civilians) <sup>3</sup>	Public administration <sup>4</sup>	Education <sup>5</sup>	National Health Service <sup>6</sup>	Other health and social work	Other public sector <sup>7</sup>
	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 Q1	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-14	16	-5	-6	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-14	16	-5	-6	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-1.2	1.0	-0.3	-1.6	0.0
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:								
2010 Q1	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-14	16	-5	-6	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:								
2010 Q1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-1.1	1.0	-0.3	-1.6	0.0
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

1 HM Forces series exclude locally engaged staff. The series also excludes mobilised reservists prior to 1996 as statistics are not available. Prior to Q2 2008 Q1= 1 March, Q2= 1 June, Q3= 1 September, Q4= 1 December. From Q2 2008 Q1= 1 April, Q2= 1 July, Q3= 1 October, Q4= 1 January.

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† Indicates earliest revision.

Source: Office for National Statistics

# 3R Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent - Revisions<sup>1</sup>

United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government			Total public corporations <sup>6</sup>	Total public sector <sup>2 5 6 7</sup>	Of which: Civil Service <sup>4 5 8</sup>
	Central government <sup>2 3 4 5</sup>	Local government <sup>2 3 4</sup>	Total general government			
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009 Q1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 Q1	-	3	3	-1	2	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-1	-10	-11	-	-11	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	-	3	3	-1	2	-
Q2	-	-3	-3	1	-2	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-1	-10	-11	-	-11	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:						
2010 Q1	0.0	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0
Q2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0
Q3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4	0.0	-0.5	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.0
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:						
2010 Q1	-	3	3	-1	2	-
Q2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4	-1	-10	-11	-	-11	-
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:						
2010 Q1	0.0	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0
Q2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4	0.0	-0.5	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.0
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..	..

1 Annual figures relate to June quarter (Q2).

2 Police (England & Wales) are based on projections.

3 National Probation Service (England & Wales) reclassified from Local Government to Central Government from April 2001.

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8 Home Civil Service (excludes Northern Ireland Civil Service which is included in Central Government).

† Indicates earliest revision.

Source: Office for National Statistics

# 4R Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent - Revisions

United Kingdom (Thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security					Health and social work		
	Construction <sup>1</sup>	HM Forces <sup>2 3</sup>	Police (including civilians) <sup>4</sup>	Public administration <sup>5</sup>	Education <sup>6</sup>	National Health Service <sup>7</sup>	Other health and social work	Other public sector <sup>8</sup>
	G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
1999		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007 Q1		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008 Q1		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009 Q1		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q2		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 Q1		-	-	-	1	-	-	-1
Q2		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4		-	-2	-10	11	-3	-5	-1
2011 Q1		..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1		-	-	-	1	-	-	-1
Q2		-	-	-	-1	-	-	1
Q3		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4		-	-2	-10	11	-3	-5	-1
2011 Q1		..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:								
2010 Q1		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Q2		0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Q3		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4		0.0	-0.7	-1.0	0.9	-0.2	-1.8	-0.1
2011 Q1		..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:								
2010 Q1		-	-	-	1	-	-	-1
Q2		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q3		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Q4		-	-2	-10	11	-3	-5	-1
2011 Q1		..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:								
2010 Q1		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Q2		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q3		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Q4		0.0	-0.7	-1.0	0.9	-0.2	-1.8	-0.1
2011 Q1		..	..	..	..	..	..	..

1 Construction estimates for full-time equivalents have not been published as they are of insufficient quality.

2 HM Forces series exclude locally engaged staff. The series also excludes mobilised reservists prior to 1996 as statistics are not available. Prior to Q2 2008 Q1= 1 March, Q2= 1 June, Q3= 1 September, Q4= 1 December. From Q2 2008 Q1= 1 April, Q2= 1 July, Q3= 1 October, Q4= 1 January.

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4 Data for the Police (including civilians) for England and Wales are based on projections and are therefore subject to revision.

5 Estimates for Q1 2011 include 8,000 temporary staff employed in connection with the 2011 Census.

6 Further Education Colleges classified as public sector from 1993. See background notes 24 and 29.

7 Data for the NHS are subject to revisions.

8 Northern Rock classified to public sector from 9 October 2007. Bradford & Bingley classified to public sector from 26 September 2008. Royal Bank of Scotland Group and Lloyds Banking Group classified to public sector from 13 October 2008. See background note 28.

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Source: Office for National Statistics

# 5R Public and private sector employment; Headcount - Revisions<sup>1</sup>

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	Public sector		Private sector		Total employment(thousands) <sup>8</sup>
	Headcount(thousands) <sup>2 3 4 5</sup>	Percentage <sup>6</sup>	Headcount(thousands) <sup>7 8</sup>	Percentage <sup>9</sup>	
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2	G7GO
1999	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-
2002	-	-	-4	-	-4
2003	-	-	-5	-	-5
2004	-	-	-5	-	-5
2005	-	-	-6	-	-6
2006	-	-	-3	-	-3
2007	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	5	-	5
2009	-	-	-26	-	-26
2010	-	-	-13	-	-13
2007 Q1	-	-	4	-	4
Q2	-	-	-	-	-
Q3	-	-	4	-	4
Q4	-	-	-2	-	-2
2008 Q1	-	-	7	-	7
Q2	-	-	5	-	5
Q3	-	-	-5	-	-5
Q4	-	-	-21	-	-21
2009 Q1	-	-	-17	-	-17
Q2	-	-	-26	-	-26
Q3	-	-	-14	-	-14
Q4	-	-	-19	-	-19
2010 Q1	2	-	-12	-	-10
Q2	-	-	-13	-	-13
Q3	-	-	-4	-	-4
Q4	-9	-	11	-	2
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..
Change on quarter to:					
2010 Q1	2	-	7	-	9
Q2	-2	-	-1	-	-3
Q3	-	-	9	-	9
Q4	-9	-	15	-	6
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:					
2010 Q1	0.0		0.0		0.0
Q2	0.0		0.0		0.0
Q3	0.0		0.0		0.0
Q4	-0.1		0.1		0.0
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:					
2010 Q1	2	-	5	-	7
Q2	-	-	13	-	13
Q3	-	-	10	-	10
Q4	-9	-	30	-	21
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:					
2010 Q1	0.0		0.0		0.0
Q2	0.0		0.1		0.0
Q3	0.0		0.0		0.0
Q4	-0.1		0.1		0.1
2011 Q1	..	..	..	..	..

1 Annual figures relate to June quarter (Q2).

2 Estimates for Q4 2007 onwards are based partly on projections.

3 Northern Rock classified to public sector from 9 October 2007. Bradford & Bingley classified to public sector from 26 September 2008. Royal Bank of Scotland Group and Lloyds Banking Group classified to public sector from 13 October 2008. See background note 28.

4 Further Education colleges classified to public sector from 1993. See background notes 24 and 29.

5 Estimates for Q1 2011 include 15,000 temporary staff employed in connection with the 2011 Census.

6 Represents G7AU/G7GO\*100.

7 Estimated as the difference between LFS total employment and the data from public sector organisations.

8 Labour Force Survey - All in Employment aged 16 and over. Data refer to May-July for annual data from 1992-2004, for Q1 to Feb-Apr, Q2 to May-July, Q3 to Aug-Oct and Q4 to Nov-Jan. Quarterly and annual changes may differ slightly from those published elsewhere due to rounding conventions.

9 Represents G7K5/G7GO\*100.

† Indicates earliest revision.

Sources: Labour Force Survey and estimates from public sector organisations; Office for National Statistics



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