

## Claimant Count, April 2022 (Sorted by latest Claimant Rate)

Benchmarks	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2021 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Feb 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Mar 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2022 (%)	Number of Claimants - Apr 2022	Monthly Change in Claimant Numbers (%)
England	6.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	1,425,955	-3.9%
West Midlands	7.2	5.3	5.2	5.1	188,285	-2.1%

Local Enterprise Partnership	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2021 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Feb 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Mar 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2022 (%)	Number of Claimants - Apr 2022	Monthly Change in Claimant Numbers (%)
Staffs & Stoke-on-Trent	5.4	3.7	3.6	3.6	24,8000	-2.3%

West Midlands Strategic Authorities	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2021 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Feb 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Mar 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2022 (%)	Number of Claimants - Apr 2022	Monthly Change in Claimant Numbers (%)
Herefordshire, County of	4.1	2.6	2.6	2.4	2,755	-4.8%
Shropshire	4.4	2.8	2.7	2.5	4,870	-5.8%
<b>Staffordshire</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>15,615</b>	<b>-2.5%</b>
Warwickshire	4.7	3.2	3.1	2.9	10,460	-4.2%
Worcestershire	5.1	3.6	3.5	3.3	11,670	-4.9%
Solihull	5.7	3.8	3.8	3.7	4,735	-2.4%
Telford and Wrekin	5.8	4.2	4.1	3.9	4,320	-7.0%
Coventry	6.6	4.9	4.8	4.8	12,170	-0.3%
Dudley	7.2	5.3	5.2	5.2	10,045	-0.9%
<b>Stoke-on-Trent</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>9,285</b>	<b>-0.7%</b>
Walsall	8.6	6.2	6.1	6.0	10,405	-2.9%
Sandwell	9.6	7.1	7.0	6.9	14,215	-1.4%
Wolverhampton	10.5	7.9	7.8	7.7	12,675	-1.2%
Birmingham	11.3	9.1	9.0	8.9	65,185	-1.2%

Staffordshire Districts	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2021 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Feb 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Mar 2022 (%)	Claimant Count Rate – Apr 2022 (%)	Number of Claimants - Apr 2022	Monthly Change in Claimant Numbers (%)
Staffordshire Moorlands	3.6	2.3	2.1	2.0	1,170	-4.9%
Stafford	4.0	2.8	2.7	2.5	2,115	-4.1%
Lichfield	4.3	2.7	2.6	2.6	1,610	-2.1%
Newcastle-under-Lyme	4.5	3.1	3.0	2.9	2,405	-2.6%
South Staffordshire	4.4	3.0	3.0	2.9	1,940	-2.5%
Cannock Chase	5.2	3.5	3.4	3.3	2,075	-3.3%
East Staffordshire	5.3	3.4	3.3	3.3	2,405	-1.0%
Tamworth	6.1	4.1	4.0	3.8	1,800	-5.3%

The claimant rate is the proportion of the working age population claiming out of work Universal Credit benefits including Job Seeker's Allowance. Source: NOMIS

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