

Statistical bulletin

Public sector employment, UK: March 2023

Estimates of people employed in the public and private sectors in the UK.



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1. Main points

- Total public sector employment increased in March 2023 compared with the previous quarter and the
 previous year; central government is the main contributor to the rise with little change to local government
 and public corporations.
- There were an estimated 5.83 million employees in the public sector in March 2023, which is 31,000 (0.5%) more than in December 2022 and 100,000 (1.7%) more than in March 2022.
- Employment in central government was an estimated 3.64 million in March 2023, a rise of 27,000 (0.7%) compared with December 2022 and 92,000 (2.6%) compared with March 2022; the main contributors to this increase were the NHS, the Civil Service, and local authority schools becoming academies.
- The NHS employed an estimated 1.94 million people in March 2023, an increase of 19,000 (1.0%) compared with December 2022 and an increase of 63,000 (3.4%) compared with March 2022.
- Employment in local government was an estimated 2.00 million for March 2023, an increase of 3,000 (0.2%) since December 2022 and 2,000 (0.1%) since March 2022; an increase in employment in the police has contributed to this increase.
- There were 521,000 employees in the Civil Service in March 2023, up 6,000 (1.2%) compared with December 2022, and up 9,000 (1.8%) compared with March 2022.
- There were an estimated 27.26 million employees in the private sector in March 2023, which is 219,000 (0.8%) more than in December 2022 and 282,000 (1.0%) more than in March 2022.

2. Public sector employment data

Public sector employment

Dataset | Released 13 June 2023

Quarterly estimates of UK and regional public sector employment made up of central government (including Civil Service), local government and public corporations. The estimates also include a breakdown by industry.

Public sector employment time series

Dataset | Dataset ID: PSE | Released 13 June 2023

Seasonally adjusted and non-seasonally adjusted quarterly time series of UK public sector employment, containing the latest estimates.

3. Measuring the data

Reclassification of further education institutions in England

On 29 November 2022, we announced the reclassification of further education corporations, sixth form college corporations, and designated institutions in England from the non-profit institutions serving households (NPISH) sector to the central government sector. Our <u>Economic statistics sector classification – classification update and forward work plan: November 2022 article</u> has more information on this classification decision.

This reclassification will be reflected in the June 2023 public sector employment statistics to be released on 12 September 2023.

Coronavirus

Our <u>Coronavirus and the effects on UK labour market statistics article</u> has more information about how labour market sources have been affected by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

View our Comparison of labour market data sources and the main differences article.

Impact on production of public sector employment estimates

The collection of the data contained in this release was unaffected by the coronavirus pandemic. Comments provided by survey respondents suggested the estimates were partly affected by coronavirus planning and response.

Sources

The main source of public sector employment (PSE) data is the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, which is supplemented by data from external sources. Further information can be found in our PSE quality and methodology information (QMI).

Full-time equivalents

While this bulletin focuses on headcount estimates of PSE, full-time equivalent estimates (based on the number of hours worked divided by the standard full-time hours) are available in our accompanying PSE datasets.

Seasonal adjustment

All <u>PSE data time series</u> in this release, with the exception of the regional series, are seasonally adjusted to aid interpretation. Relationships that hold in the unadjusted series do not necessarily hold for the seasonally adjusted series. For example, total PSE equals the total of all public sector industry estimates before seasonal adjustment, but this is not necessarily true after seasonal adjustment.

Reclassifications between the public and private sectors

Comparisons of public and private sector employment over time are complicated by several major reclassifications. This is where bodies employing large numbers of people have moved between the public and private sectors. We produce estimates of public and private sector employment excluding the effects of major reclassifications to help you understand underlying trends in employment. We publish these alongside estimates of total public and private sector employment in <u>Tables 5</u>, 6a and 7a of the <u>PSE datasets</u>.

Quality

More quality and methodology information on strengths, limitations, appropriate uses, and how the data were created is available in our <u>Public sector employment QMI</u>.

4. Related links

Civil Service statistics

Statistical release | Released 27 July 2022

Detailed information on the UK Civil Service workforce, including pay, diversity, and location. Responsibility for the collection and publication of this annual release was transferred from the Office for National Statistics (ONS) to the Cabinet Office with effect from 1 October 2018.

Public sector employment in Scotland

Statistical release | Released 13 June 2023

Estimates of public sector employment (PSE) in Scotland, published quarterly by the Scottish Government on the same day as this bulletin.

Quarterly Employment Survey

Statistical release | Released 13 June 2023

Estimates of short-term employee jobs in Northern Ireland, including public and private sector employment estimates, published by the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) on the same day as this bulletin.

Local government employment

Dataset | Released quarterly

Estimates of employment for each local authority in England and Wales, sourced from the ONS Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES), and published quarterly by the Local Government Association.

5. Cite this statistical bulletin

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These tables show data for the last two years, and to improve the readability of these tables on the printed page, most of the footnotes have been removed. A complete time series including footnotes are available from the PSE Datasets (Excel Spreadsheet) at: https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/publicsectorpersonnel/datasets/publicsectoremploymentreferencetable

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1 Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		Ger	neral government				
		Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
		G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
2020	Dec	3,389	2,000	5,389	203	5,592	473
2021	Mar	3,470	2,001	5,471	201	5,672	505
	Jun	3,475	2,001	5,476	199	5,675	498
	Sep	3,500	2,001	5,501	195	5,696	505
	Dec	3,524	2,000	5,524	195	5,719	507
2022	Mar	3,543 [†]	1,997	5,540 [†]	193	5,733 [†]	512
	Jun	3,552	1,995	5,547	194	5,741	512
	Sep	3,576	1,995	5,571	198	5,769	513
	Dec	3,608	1,996 [†]	5,604	198	5,802	515
2023	Mar	3,635	1,999	5,634	199	5,833	521
Change on quarter:		27	3	30	1	31	6
Change %:		0.7	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.2
Change on year:		92	2	94	6	100	9
Change %:		2.6	0.1	1.7	3.1	1.7	1.8

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey;

Office for National Statistics

2 Public sector employment by industry; Headcount

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		Public admii	nistration, defence, cor social security	mpulsory		Health and s	ocial work		
	Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work	Other public sector	Total public sector
	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM	G7AU
2020 Dec	35	158	264	1,097	1,487	1,794	210	547	5,592
2021 Mar	35	159	268	1,124	1,484	1,836	211	550	5,672
Jun	34	159	269	1,120	1,491	1,846	209	550	5,675
Sep	35	159	271	1,127	1,497	1,848	212	550	5,696
Dec	35	159	270	1,131	1,498	1,863	211	550	5,719
2022 Mar	35	157	272	1,140	1,497	1,874	212	543	5,733
Jun	34	156	272	1,143	1,499	1,883	213	543	5,741
Sep	34	155	274	1,148	1,501	1,899	213	548	5,769
Dec	34	154	276	1,154	1,503 [†]	1,918	211	550	5,802
2023 Mar	34	152	279	1,156	1,506	1,937	210	553	5,833
Change on quarter:	0	-2	3	2	3	19	-1	3	31
Change %:	0.0	-1.3	1.1	0.2	0.2	1.0	-0.5	0.5	0.5
Change on year:	-1	-5	7	16	9	63	-2	10	100
Change %:	-2.9	-3.2	2.6	1.4	0.6	3.4	-0.9	1.8	1.7

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey; Office for National Statistics

3 Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

_	Ge	neral government				
	Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
2020 Dec	2,961	1,551	4,512	193	4,705	441
2021 Mar	3,030	1,554	4,584	191	4,775	468
Jun	3,037	1,556	4,593	190	4,783	465
Sep	3,069	1,558	4,627	186	4,813	473
Dec	3,086	1,559	4,645	186	4,831	475
2022 Mar	3,105 [†]	1,558	4,663 [†]	184	4,847 [†]	480
Jun	3,117	1,558	4,675	184	4,859	479
Sep	3,140	1,561	4,701	188	4,889	481
Dec	3,162	1,563	4,725	189 [†]	4,914	483
2023 Mar	3,191	1,568	4,759	189	4,948	488
Change on quarter:	29	5	34	0	34	5
Change %:	0.9	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.7	1.0
Change on year:	86	10	96	5	101	8
Change %:	2.8	0.6	2.1	2.7	2.1	1.7

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey;

Office for National Statistics

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4 Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		Public admii	nistration, defence, cor social security	npulsory		Health and s	ocial work		
	Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work	Other public sector	Total public sector
	G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2	G7G3
2020 Dec	-	158	254	937	1,104	1,585	158	478	4,705
2021 Mar	-	159	257	967	1,106	1,623	160	480	4,775
Jun	-	159	258	964	1,111	1,626	158	481	4,783
Sep	-	159	260	968	1,117	1,639	160	481	4,813
Dec	-	159	260	974	1,120	1,646	160	481	4,831
2022 Mar	-	157	262	988	1,119 [†]	1,659 [†]	161	476 [†]	4,847
Jun	-	156	262	987	1,123	1,670	162	477	4,859
Sep	-	155	264	989	1,122	1,687	162	481	4,889
Dec	-	154 [†]	265	996	1,124	1,702	161 [†]	484	4,914
2023 Mar	-	152	269	1,005	1,129	1,722	161	486	4,948
Change on quarter:	-	-2	4	9	5	20	0	2	34
Change %:	-	-1.3	1.5	0.9	0.4	1.2	0.0	0.4	0.7
Change on year:	-	-5	7	17	10	63	0	10	101
Change %:	-	-3.2	2.7	1.7	0.9	3.8	0.0	2.1	2.1

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey; Office for National Statistics

5 Public and private sector employment; Headcount

	Public sec	tor	Private sec	tor		Public sector excluding reclassificat		United Kingdom, se Private sector exclud major reclassifi	ing effects of
	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Total employment (thousands)	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2	G7GO	MFY7	MFY9	MFZ2	MFY5
2020 Dec	5,592	17.4	26,534	82.6	32,126	5,449	17.0	26,677	83.0
2021 Mar	5,672	17.6	26,502	82.4	32,174	5,529	17.2	26,645	82.8
Jun	5,675	17.5	26,734	82.5	32,409	5,539	17.1	26,870	82.9
Sep	5,696	17.5	26,887	82.5	32,583	5,556	17.1	27,027	82.9
Dec	5,719	17.6	26,811	82.4	32,530	5,574	17.1	26,956	82.9
2022 Mar	5,733 [†]	17.5	26,974 [†]	82.5	32,707	5,593 [†]	17.1	27,114 [†]	82.9
Jun	5,741	17.5	27,005	82.5	32,746	5,608	17.1	27,138	82.9
Sep	5,769	17.6	27,004	82.4	32,773	5,630	17.2	27,143	82.8
Dec	5,802	17.7	27,037	82.3	32,839	5,657	17.2	27,182	82.8
2023 Mar	5,833	17.6	27,256	82.4	33,089	5,691	17.2	27,398	82.8
Change on quarter:	31	-0.1	219	0.1	250	34	0.0	216	0.0
Change %:	0.5		0.8		0.8	0.6		0.8	
Change on year:	100	0.1	282	-0.1	382	98	0.1	284	-0.1
Change %:	1.7		1.0		1.2	1.8		1.0	

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

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All employees																
		United Kingdom					Yorkshire									
	United	(seasonally	Great		North	North	and The	East	West			South	South			Northern
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2020 Dec	5,591	5,592	5,359	4,481	237	633	479	359	450	430	766	667	460	306	573	216
2021 Mar	5,683	5,672	5,451	4,561	242	645	485	367	456	438	783	677	468	310	579	217
Jun	5,675	5,675	5,443	4,550	243	644	483	365	453	437	782	676	468	310	582	218
Sep	5,688	5,696	5,459	4,564	244	648	486	366	453	438	782	677	470	311	584	216
Dec	5,719	5,719	5,485	4,583	244	649	489	368	456	439	784	680	474	313	589	221
2022 Mar	5,747	5,733	5,513	4,602	247	656	495	366	460	439	781	682	476	316	595	223
Jun	5,740	5,741	5,506	4,596	247	657	491	367	460	438	779	680	476	316	594	223
Sep	5,758	5,769	5,527	4,618	248	661	495	368	462	441	783	682	478	317	592	221
Dec	5,799	5,802	5,562	4,647	250	665	497	371	465	443	791	684	481	321	594	226
2023 Mar	5,848	5,833	5,610	4,688	252	671	500	374	469	447	801	689	485	323	599	227
Change on year:	101	100	97	87	6	15	5	8	9	8	21	8	8	7	3	3
Change %:	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.3	1.0	2.1	2.0	1.7	2.6	1.1	1.8	2.1	0.5	1.5
% of total employment	17.7	17.6	17.5	16.8	20.8	19.1	19.3	16.5	16.5	15.3	14.9	15.6	17.4	23.3	22.5	26.3

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey;

Office for National Statistics

Regional public sector employment excluding effects of major reclassifications

Headcount (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

									Region								
All employees																	
			United Kingdom					Yorkshire									
		United	(seasonally	Great		North	North	and The	East	West			South	South			Northern
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2	2020 Dec	5,451	5,449	5,221	4,366	235	617	469	354	438	421	737	644	450	302	554	214
2	2021 Mar	5,542	5,529	5,311	4,445	240	628	475	361	444	429	754	655	458	306	561	215
	Jun	5,533	5,539	5,303	4,434	240	627	473	360	441	428	753	654	458	306	564	216
	Sep	5,547	5,556	5,320	4,448	242	630	476	361	442	429	753	656	460	306	566	214
	Dec	5,578	5,574	5,346	4,467	242	632	479	363	444	430	755	659	464	308	570	219
2	2022 Mar	5,608	5,593	5,375	4,487	245	638	485	361	448	430	752	661	467	312	577	222
	Jun	5,601	5,608	5,369	4,482	245	640	481	362	449	429	750	659	466	311	576	222
	Sep	5,619	5,630	5,389	4,504	246	643	485	363	451	432	754	662	469	312	573	219
	Dec	5,659	5,657	5,424	4,533	248	647	488	365	454	433	763	663	472	316	575	224
2	2023 Mar	5,707	5,691	5,471	4,574	250	653	490	368	457	438	772	669	475	318	579	225
Change on ye	/ear:	99	98	96	87	5	14	6	7	9	8	21	9	9	6	3	3
Change		1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.3	1.1	2.0	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.3	1.9	2.1	0.5	1.5
% of total employm	ment	17.2	17.2	17.1	16.4	20.6	18.6	18.9	16.2	16.1	15.0	14.4	15.2	17.1	23.0	21.8	26.1

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey;

Office for National Statistics

Regional private sector employment

Headcount (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

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All employees		United Kingdom					Yorkshire									
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2020 Dec	26,579	26,534	25,820	22,700	932	2,764	2,041	1,852	2,292	2,364	4,482	3,709	2,265	1,084	2,036	595
2020 Dec	•			•	932 920	•	•					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		,	,	
2021 <u>M</u> ar	26,477	26,502	25,724	22,581		2,738	2,061	1,855	2,246	2,331	4,479	3,704	2,247	1,091	2,052	587
Jun	26,718	26,734	25,926	22,764	923	2,750	2,064	1,833	2,306	2,396	4,516	3,692	2,283	1,110	2,052	603
Sep	26,913	26,887	26,085	22,921	919	2,801	2,069	1,860	2,340	2,445	4,451	3,693	2,344	1,099	2,064	599
Dec	26,847	26,811	26,033	22,852	918	2,749	2,026	1,867	2,382	2,487	4,391	3,708	2,325	1,119	2,061	593
2022 Mar	26,953	26,974	26,080	22,876	926	2,765	2,051	1,863	2,349	2,477	4,413	3,683	2,348	1,111	2,093	614
Jun	26,998	27,005	26,153	22,956	914	2,789	2,094	1,892	2,351	2,517	4,439	3,650	2,309	1,101	2,096	616
Sep	27,036	27,004	26,199	23,002	911	2,800	2,110	1,891	2,279	2,506	4,423	3,745	2,337	1,078	2,118	626
Dec	27,065	27,037	26,179	22,994	923	2,810	2,108	1,863	2,278	2,488	4,361	3,769	2,393	1,059	2,126	628
2023 Mar	27,263	27,256	26,360	23,238	963	2,843	2,093	1,894	2,378	2,478	4,564	3,722	2,302	1,062	2,060	635
Change on year:	310	282	280	362	37	78	42	32	28	1	151	39	-46	-49	-33	21
Change %:	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.6	4.0	2.8	2.1	1.7	1.2	0.0	3.4	1.1	-2.0	-4.4	-1.6	3.4
% of total employment	82.3	82.4	82.5	83.2	79.2	80.9	80.7	83.5	83.5	84.7	85.1	84.4	82.6	76.7	77.5	73.7

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

Regional private sector employment excluding effects of major reclassifications

Headcount (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

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All employees			United Kingdom					Yorkshire									
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	2020 Dec	26,719	26,677	25,958	22,815	934	2,780	2,050	1,857	2,304	2,373	4,511	3,731	2,275	1,088	2,054	597
	2020 Bec 2021 Mar	26,618	26,645	25,863	22,697	922	2,756	2,071	1,860	2,258	2,340	4,508	•	2,257	1,095	2,071	588
	Jun	26,860	26,870	26,065	22,880	925	2,767	2,074	1,839	2,318	2,405	4,546	•	2,293	1,114	2,071	605
	Sep	27,054	27,027	26,224	23,037	921	2,819	2,079	1,865	2,351	2,455	4,480		2,353	1,104	2,083	601
	Dec	26,988	26,956	26,172	22,968	920	2,767	2,036	1,872	2,394	2,497	4,420	3,729	2,334	1,124	2,080	595
	2022 Mar	27,092	27,114	26,218	22,990	928	2,783	2,061	1,868	2,361	2,486	4,442	3,704	2,358	1,116	2,111	616
	Jun	27,137	27,138	26,290	23,070	916	2,807	2,104	1,897	2,363	2,526	4,467	3,671	2,318	1,106	2,114	617
	Sep	27,175	27,143	26,337	23,117	913	2,818	2,120	1,897	2,290	2,515	4,452	3,766	2,347	1,083	2,137	628
	Dec	27,205	27,182	26,317	23,109	925	2,828	2,118	1,868	2,290	2,497	4,390	3,789	2,402	1,064	2,145	629
	2023 Mar	27,404	27,398	26,499	23,352	965	2,861	2,103	1,900	2,390	2,487	4,593	3,742	2,312	1,067	2,079	637
Change c	on vear:	312	284	281	362	37	78	42	32	29	1	151	38	-46	-49	-32	21
_	ange %:	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.6	4.0	2.8	2.0	1.7	1.2	0.0	3.4	1.0	-2.0	-4.4	-1.5	3.4
% of total empl	oyment	82.8	82.8	82.9	83.6	79.4	81.4	81.1	83.8	83.9	85.0	85.6	84.8	82.9	77.0	78.2	73.9

Sources: Labour Force Survey and estimates from public sector organisations;

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		Male		-	Female				
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Total	Total	Tota
Permanent Employees									
Attorney General's departments	3,290	270	3,560	4,980	1,990	6,970	10,530	10,450	80
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ³	6,590	550	7,140	5,650	1,560	7,210	14,350	13,980	370
Cabinet Office	2,620	130	2,750	2,680	470	3,160	5,910	6,160	-250
Other Cabinet Office agencies	1,970	30	2,000	2,130	150	2,280	4,280	4,380	-100
Charity Commission	180	10	190	230	60	290	480	490	-10
Competition and Markets Authority	420	30	450	360	90	450	900	900	
Defence	32,920	1,800	34,720	19,600	4,240	23,830	58,550	58,040	510
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport ³	850	20	870	940	110	1,050	1,920	1,910	10
Education	3,170	160	3,330	3,970	1,050	5,020	8,360	8,450	-100
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	5,120	380	5,500	5,410	1,770	7,180	12,690	12,700	-10
Estyn	50	10	50	50	20	70	120	120	
Export Credits Guarantee Department	280	10	280	210	20	230	510	510	10
Food Standards Agency	770	70	840	640	80	720	1,550	1,510	40
Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office	4,150	140	4,290	3,610	420	4,030	8,320	8,120	190
Health and Social Care	3,150	220	3,370	4,910	1,090	6,000	9,370	9,260	110
HM Land Registry	2,170	460	2,620	2,420	1,640	4,060	6,680	6,650	30
HM Revenue and Customs	30,660	3,550	34,220	24,900	12,480	37,380	71,600	71,250	350
HM Treasury	1,320	60	1,380	1,160	180	1,340	2,720	2,730	-10
Chancellor's other departments	230	20	250	140	50	180	430	420	10
Home Office	17,960	1,590	19,550	15,590	5,620	21,210	40,760	39,260	1,500
International Trade ³	1,770	40	1,810	1,580	140	1,720	3,530	3,490	40
Justice	34,820	3,750	38,570	41,390	11,420	52,810	91,380	88,520	2,860
Levelling Up, Housing and Communities	1,840	180	2,020	1,720	430	2,150	4,160	4,250	-90
The National Archives	250	10	260	250	50	300	560	560	10
National Crime Agency	2,860	110	2,970	2,080	420	2,500	5,470	5,540	-80
Northern Ireland Office	80	0	80	90	10	90	170	170	
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills	610	30	640	1,170	210	1,380	2,020	1,970	50
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	760	20	780	580	90	670	1,450	1,410	40
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	110	10	120	180	30	210	330	330	
Office of Rail and Road	190	20	210	140	30	170	370	360	10
Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland	50	0	50	70	10	80	130	130	
Office of the Secretary of State for Wales	30	0	30	10		20	50	50	
Ofwat	120	10	140	100	30	130	260	270	-10
Transport	7,700	860	8,560	4,880	2,410	7,290	15,840	15,750	100
UK Statistics Authority	2,010	580	2,590	2,150	1,250	3,400	5,990	5,820	180
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UK Supreme Court	20	 4 500	20	20		20 55.050			E70
Work and Pensions	27,080	4,590	31,670	29,850	26,100	55,950	87,620	88,180	-570
Central Government Departments Total	198,140	19,710	217,860	185,800	75,710	261,510	479,360	474,110	5,260
Scottish Government	11,250	1,080	12,320	11,630	3,290	14,920	27,240	27,050	200
Welsh Government	2,220	210	2,430	2,660	940	3,600	6,030	5,990	40
TOTAL	211,600	21,000	232,610	200,090	79,930	280,020	512,630	507,140	5,490
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	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Total	Total	Tota
Temporary/Casual Employees									
Attorney General's departments	60	10	60	130	10	140	200	180	30
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ³	20	0	20	20		30	40	40	
Cabinet Office				10	0	10	10	10	
Other Cabinet Office agencies	20		20	10		20	40	40	
Charity Commission	10		10	10		20	20	10	10
Competition and Markets Authority	10		10				10	10	
Defence	30		30	10		10	40	40	
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport ³		0		10	0	10	20	20	(
Education	50		50	80	10	90	140	150	-10
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	170	10	180	180	30	220	390	330	60
Estyn	0	0	0		0				
Export Credits Guarantee Department		0		10		 10	 10	10	
Food Standards Agency			 10	10		10	20	30	-10
Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office	 250	 10	250	240	 10	250	500	470	30
Health and Social Care	270	40	310	490	100	590	890	970	-80
HM Land Registry	10	0	10			10	10	10	
									100
HM Revenue and Customs	430	10	440	310	30	340	790	690	100
HM Treasury	10		20	20		20	30	30	
Chancellor's other departments	0	0	0		0				(
Home Office	710	430	1,140	920	310	1,230	2,370	2,180	190
International Trade ³	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Justice	230	40	270	470	140	610	880	1,030	-150
Levelling Up, Housing and Communities	20	0	20	10	0	10	20	30	-10
The National Archives	10		10	10	10	20	30	20	10
National Crime Agency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Northern Ireland Office	0	0	0		0				(
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills		0		10		10	10	10	
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	60	0	60	70		70	130	130	
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	10	0	10	10		10	20	20	(
Office of Rail and Road		0		0	0	0			
Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Office of the Secretary of State for Wales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Ofwat	0	0	0					10	-10
Transport	330	40	370	160	50	210	580	710	-120
UK Statistics Authority	50	30	80	30	40	60	140	220	-80
UK Supreme Court	10	0	10	10	0	10	20	20	
Work and Pensions	80		80	70	10	80	160	340	-180
Central Government Departments Total	2,830	630	3,460	3,310	770	4,070	7,530	7,760	-220
Scottish Government	170	20	190	150	30	190	380	450	-70
Welsh Government	10		10	20		20	20	30	-10
TOTAL	3,000	650	3,660	3,470	800	4,280	7,940	8,240	-310

		March 2023						December 2022	Change on Quarter
		Male		Female			_		
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Total	Total	Total
All Employees	214,610	21,660	236,260	203,560	80,740	284,300	520,560	515,380	5,180

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, 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.

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Full-time equivalents, Great Britain, not seasonally adjusted

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HM Land Registry	440	330	770 30	680 30	100 0
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Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Health and Social Care	250 290	250 540	490 830	460 910	30 -80
Food Standards Agency	10	10	20	30	-10
Estyn Export Credits Guarantee Department	0	 10	 10	 10	
Education Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	50 170	90 210	140 380	150 320	-10 60
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport ³		10	20	20	0
Competition and Markets Authority Defence	10 30	 10	10 40	10 40	
Charity Commission	10	20	20	10	10
Cabinet Office Other Cabinet Office agencies	 20	10 10	10 30	10 40	 -10
Attorney General's departments Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ³	60 20	130 30	200 40	170 40	30
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Temporary/Casual Employees			. 5	. 5:51	. 3 (4)
	Male	larch 2023 Female	Total	2022 Total	Quarter Total
				December	Change on
TOTAL	225,490	255,640	481,130	475,940	5,190
Welsh Government	2,360	3,340	5,700	5,660	40
Scottish Government	11,920	13,980	25,890	25,720	170
Central Government Departments Total	211,210	238,330	449,540	444,560	4,980
UK Supreme Court Work and Pensions	20 30,330	20 48,130	40 78,460	40 78,920	 -460
UK Statistics Authority	2,390	3,000	5,390	5,260	140
Ofwat Transport	130 8,270	120 6,480	250 14,750	260 14,660	-10 90
Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland Office of the Secretary of State for Wales	50 30	80 20	130 40	130 50	 -10
Office of Rail and Road	200	160	360	350	10
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	780 120	650 200	1,420 320	1,380 320	40
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills	630	1,320	1,960	1,910	50
National Crime Agency Northern Ireland Office	2,940 80	2,380 90	5,320 170	5,400 170	-80
The National Archives	250	290	540	530	-90 10
Justice Levelling Up, Housing and Communities	36,940 1,970	48,780 2,040	85,710 4,000	83,000 4,090	2,720
Home Office International Trade ³	19,050 1,800	19,530 1,680	38,580 3,480	37,160 3,440	1,420 40
HM Treasury Chancellor's other departments	1,370 240	170	410	410	
HM Treasury	33,090 1,370	33,610 1,290	66,700 2,650	66,370 2,660	330
Health and Social Care HM Land Registry	3,300 2,470	5,690 3,590	8,990 6,060	8,880 6,050	110 10
Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office	4,240	3,900	8,140	7,940	200
Export Credits Guarantee Department Food Standards Agency	280 810	220 700	500 1,510	500 1,470	 40
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Estyn	5,400 50	60	12,090	12,100	-10
Education Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	3,290 5,400	4,760 6,690	8,050 12,090	8,150 12,100	-100 -10
Defence Digital, Culture, Media and Sport ³	34,070 860	22,570 1,020	56,640 1,880	56,190 1,870	450 10
Competition and Markets Authority	440	430	870	870	
Other Cabinet Office agencies Charity Commission	1,990 190	2,240 270	4,230 460	4,330 460	-100
Cabinet Office	2,710	3,020	5,730	5,980	-250
Attorney General's departments Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ³	3,480 6,970	6,390 6,760	9,870 13,740	9,800 13,390	70 340
Permanent Employees	Male	Female	I otai	I otal	lotai
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Permanent Employees	M				

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, Office for National Statistics

Total

483,450

4,960

Total

488,400

All Employees

228,830

Female

259,580

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Home Office

	March	2023 Full Time	Decembe	er 2022 Full Time	Change or	Quarter Full Time
	Headcount	Equivalent	Headcount	Equivalent	Headcount	Equivalent
Attorney General's departments						
Attorney General's Office	50	50	50	50	0	0
Crown Prosecution Service Government Legal Department	7,520 2,680	7,040 2,500	7,390 2,700	6,920 2,520	130 -20	120 -20
HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate	30	30	30	30		
Serious Fraud Office	460	450	460	450	0	
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ²						
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ² Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service	6,290 1,010	6,150 930	5,950 1,020	5,830 940	330 -10	320 -10
Companies House	1,210	1,130	1,200	1,130	10	-10
The Insolvency Service	1,650	1,570	1,640	1,560	10	10
Intellectual Property Office Met Office	1,700 2,260	1,610 2,130	1,700 2,230	1,610 2,090	30	30
UK Space Agency	270	260	270	270	-10	-10
Cabinet Office Cabinet Office (excluding agencies)	5,910	5,740	6,170	5,990	-260	-250
Other Cabinet Office agencies						
Central Civil Service Fast Stream Crown Commercial Service	1,660 770	1,660 740	1,770 800	1,770 770	-110 -30	-110 -30
Government Commercial Organisation	1,490	1,470	1,480	1,470	-30 10	10
Government Property Agency	390	390	360	360	30	30
Charity Commission Charity Commission	500	480	500	470	0	10
Competition and Markets Authority						
Competition and Markets Authority	910	880	910	880		
Defence		_		_		
Ministry of Defence (excluding trading funds) Defence Electronics and Components Agency	38,700 440	37,490 410	38,440 440	37,250 420	260	230
Defence Equipment and Support	10,750	10,370	10,680	10,310	70	60
Defence Nuclear Organisation ³	580	580	0	0	580	580
Defence Science and Technology Laboratory Submarine Delivery Agency ³	5,080 2,100	4,900 2,040	5,010 2,580	4,830 2,520	70 -480	60 -480
UK Hydrographic Office	940	900	930	890	10	10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport ²	4.700	4.070	4.700	4 000	00	00
Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (excluding agencies) ² Building Digital UK	1,700 230	1,670 230	1,720 200	1,690 200	-20 30	-20 30
Education Department for Education (excluding agencies)	7,170	6,910	7,270	7,010	-100	-100
Education and Skills Funding Agency	770	750	800	770	-30	-20
Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education	340	330	310	300	30	20
Standards and Testing Agency Teaching Regulation Agency	130 90	130 80	130 90	130 80	0	0
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs						
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (excluding agencies)	6,340	6,120	6,410	6,190	-70	-70
Animal and Plant Health Agency	3,100	2,950	3,020	2,870	80	80
Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science Rural Payments Agency	660 2,830	620 2,610	670 2,770	640 2,560	-10 60	-10 50
Veterinary Medicines Directorate	160	160	160	160	0	0
Estyn Estyn	120	120	120	120		0
Export Credits Guarantee Department						
Export Credits Guarantee Department	520	520	520	510	10	10
Food Standards Agency Food Standards Agency	1,570	1,530	1,540	1,490	40	40
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Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (excluding agencies)	7,600	7,470	7,400	7,270	200	200
FCDO Services	1,130	1,080	1,100	1,060	30	30
Wilton Park Executive Agency	90	80	80	80		
Health and Social Care						
Department of Health and Social Care (excluding agencies) Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency	3,670 1,180	3,540 1,150	3,910 1,100	3,780 1,070	-240 80	-240 80
UK Health Security Agency	5,420	5,130	5,220	4,940	200	190
HM Land Registry	0.000	0.070	0.000	0.000	40	40
HM Land Registry	6,690	6,070	6,660	6,060	40	10
HM Revenue and Customs HM Revenue and Customs (excluding agencies) Valuation Office Agency	68,400 3,990	63,740 3,730	67,920 4,010	63,290 3,760	470 -30	450 -30
HM Treasury						
HM Treasury (excluding agencies) Government Internal Audit Agency	2,050 490	2,010 460	2,070 490	2,030 460	-20 0	-20 0
National Infrastructure Commission	50	50	490	400	10	10
Office for Budget Responsibility	50 120	50 120	50 120	50 110		
UK Debt Management Office	120	120	120	110		
Chancellor's other departments Government Actuary's Department	220	200	220	210		
National Savings and Investments	210	210	210	200	10	10
Home Office						

	March	2023	December 2022		Change or	Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	
Home Office	43,130	40,590	41,440	38,950	1,680	1,640	
International Trade ²							
Department for International Trade ²	3,530	3,480	3,490	3,440	40	40	
Justice							
Ministry of Justice (excluding agencies)	7,150	6,970	7,010	6,840	140 20	130 20	
Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority HM Courts and Tribunals Service	340 15,900	310 14,370	320 15,890	300 14,380	10	-10	
HM Prison and Probation Service	66,030	62,220	63,570	59,870	2,460	2,350	
Legal Aid Agency Office of the Public Guardian	1,190 1,660	1,110 1,540	1,180 1,590	1,100 1,470	10 70	10 70	
Loyalling Un. Hayaing and Communities							
Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (excluding agencies)	3,250	3,170	3,390	3,310	-140	-140	
Planning Inspectorate	890	810	840	770	40	40	
Queen Elizabeth II Centre	40	40	40	40	0	0	
The National Archives The National Archives	590	560	580	550	10	10	
National Crime Agency							
National Crime Agency	5,470	5,320	5,540	5,400	-80	-80	
Northern Ireland Office Northern Ireland Office	170	170	170	170			
	170	170	170	170			
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills	2,040	1,970	1,980	1,920	50	50	
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets							
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	1,580	1,560	1,540	1,510	40	40	
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation							
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	350	330	350	340			
Office of Rail and Road Office of Rail and Road	370	360	360	350	10	10	
Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland							
Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland (incl. Office of the Advocate General for Scotland)	130	130	130	130			
Office of the Secretary of State for Wales Office of the Secretary of State for Wales	50	40	50	50			
Ofwat Ofwat	270	260	280	270	-10	-10	
Transport							
Department for Transport (excluding agencies) Active Travel England	3,830 50	3,730 50	3,820 30	3,720 20	20 20	10 20	
Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency	6,230	5,540	6,310	5,610	-80	-70	
Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency	4,900	4,610	4,890	4,610	10		
Maritime and Coastguard Agency Vehicle Certification Agency	1,200 210	1,170 200	1,190 210	1,160 200	10 	10	
UK Statistics Authority							
UK Statistics Authority	6,130	5,510	6,040	5,430	90	80	
UK Supreme Court							
UK Supreme Court	60	50	60	50			
Work and Pensions Department for Work and Pensions	84,940	75,930	85,720	76,600	-780	-670	
Health and Safety Executive	2,830	2,680	2,800	2,650	30	30	
Scottish Government							
Scottish Government (excluding agencies)	9,170	8,800	9,210	8,850	-40	-50	
Accountant in Bankruptcy Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal	120	110	120	110	 10	 20	
Disclosure Scotland	2,440 370	2,300 350	2,430 370	2,290 350	-10		
Education Scotland	360	350	360	350			
Food Standards Scotland	290	280	290	280			
Forestry and Land Scotland National Records of Scotland	1,110 460	1,070 430	1,080 460	1,040 440	30 -10	30 -10	
Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator	400	430	400	440	-10	-10	
Registers of Scotland	1,180	1,140	1,180	1,130	10	10	
Revenue Scotland	90	80	90	80			
Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service Scottish Fiscal Commission	1,960 30	1,790	1,940 30	1,770 30	20	20 0	
Scottish Fiscal Commission Scottish Forestry	220	30 210	220	200	0 10	10	
Scottish Housing Regulator	50	50	50	50			
Scottish Prison Service	4,540	4,260	4,540	4,240		20	
Scottish Public Pensions Agency	370	340	320	300	50	50	
Social Security Scotland Student Awards Agency for Scotland	4,030 260	3,850 250	3,980 260	3,820 250	50 10	40 10	
Transport Scotland	530	520	540	530	-10	-10	
Welsh Government							
Welsh Government Welsh Revenue Authority	5,970 80	5,640 80	5,930 80	5,600 80	40 -10	40 -10	
Total employment	520,560	488,400	515,380	483,450	5,180	4,960	
rotal simployment	320,360	400,400	515,360	403,430	5,160	4,300	

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, Office for National Statistics

Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by "..".

On 7 February 2023, the Prime Minister announced Machinery of Government changes to create three new government departments: the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology, and the Department for Business and Trade; as well as a refocused Department for Culture, Media and Sport. The new departments are formed from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and the Department for International Trade, along with the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport. Although the changes took effect immediately following the announcement, the full transition programme is yet to complete and consequently the new departments were not in a position to report per the new structure for the March 2023 statistics. All affected departments and their associated agencies will appear under existing hierarchies until the transition programme is complete.

³ Defence Nuclear Organisation is reported separately of the Submarine Delvery Agency for the first time in this release.

10 Employment in Executive NDPBs ¹²³

	March 2	023	December	2022	Change on Quarter	
Permanent Employees		Full Time		Full Time		Full Time
	Headcount	Equivalent	Headcount	Equivalent	Headcount	Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ⁵	11,830	11,430	11,790	11,420	30	10
Cabinet Office	750	700	740	690		10
Defence	580	450	560	450	20	
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport ⁵	11,430	10,480	11,220	10,290	210	190
Education	5,050	4,840	4,830	4,620	220	210
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	17,490	16,430	16,680	15,670	810	760
Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office	1,100	1,070	1,090	1,060	10	20
Health and Social Care	16,380	15,660	16,440	15,710	-60	-60
Home Office	2,750	2,590	2,690	2,540	60	50
Justice	2,670	2,530	2,660	2,530		
Levelling Up, Housing and Communities	1,580	1,550	1,400	1,370	180	180
Transport	2,380	2,330	2,330	2,290	50	50
Work and Pensions	1,680	1,620	1,220	1,180	470	450
Central Government Departments Total	75,640	71,680	73,650	69,810	1,990	1,860
Scottish Government	11,570	10,680	11,470	10,580	110	110
Welsh Assembly	3,620	3,340	3,610	3,360	10	-20
TOTAL	90,830	85,690	88,730	83,750	2,100	1,950

	March 2	023	December	2022	Change on	Quarter
Temporary Employees		Full Time		Full Time		Full Time
	Headcount	Equivalent	Headcount	Equivalent	Headcount	Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ⁵	160	160	200	200	-40	-40
Cabinet Office	30	30	30	30		
Defence	60	20	80	10	-20	10
Digital, Culture, Media and Sport ⁵	1,510	560	1,510	530	10	30
Education	130	120	150	150	-30	-30
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	770	700	760	670	10	30
Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office						
Health and Social Care	2,790	2,060	3,390	2,140	-600	-80
Home Office	130	90	150	100	-10	-10
Justice	60	60	80	80	-20	-20
Levelling Up, Housing and Communities	150	100	100	100	50	
Transport	20	20	20	20		
Work and Pensions	190	190	110	100	90	90
Central Government Departments Total	6,000	4,110	6,570	4,130	-570	-20
Scottish Government	640	580	670	600	-30	-30
Welsh Assembly	490	230	520	220	-30	10
TOTAL	7,140	4,910	7,760	4,950	-620	-30
All NDPB Employees	97,980	90,610	96,500	88,690	1,480	1,910

Source: Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, Office for National Statistics

¹ Includes Executive NDPBs with an employment of greater than 20.

² Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten.

These figures do not include employees of ACAS, Health and Safety Executive, Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education, Office for Budget Responsibility. These are Crown NDPBs, the employees of which are included as part of Civil Service headcounts.

⁴ Environment Agency includes all regional divisions.

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11 Employment in Academies

England (thousands), not seasonally adjusted

			Headcount	Full-time equivalent
	2020	Dec	617	469
	2021	Mar	622	472
		Jun	628	477
		Sep	631	483
		Dec	633	484
	2022	Mar	638	488
		Jun	641	490
		Sep	646	494
		Dec	650	496
	2023	Mar	654	499
Change on quarter			4	3
Change %			0.6	0.6
Change on year			16	11
Change %			2.5	2.3

Source: Office for National Statistics

Estimates of employment in academies are derived by matching the monthly Open Academies dataset with the annual School Workforce Census, both published by the Department for Education.

^{2.} More detailed statistics on academies are available from the Department for Education: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-school-workforce