

Statistical bulletin

Public sector employment, UK: March 2017

The official measure of people employed in the UK public sector, including private sector estimates, based on the difference between total UK employment and public sector employment.



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1 . Main points

- Total UK public sector employment in March 2017 was 5.424 million, down 7,000 on the previous quarter and 20,000 on the previous year.
- Local government employment was down 25,000 at 2.123 million, the lowest since comparable records began in 1999.
- Central government employment was up 20,000 on the previous quarter at 2.995 million, the highest since comparable records began in 1999.
- Civil Service employment was up 3,000 on the previous quarter at 419,000.
- Private sector employment was up 115,000 on the previous quarter at 26.530 million, the highest since comparable records began in 1999.
- Of all people in work, 17.0% were employed in the public sector, the lowest percentage since comparable records began in 1999.

2 . Things you need to know about this release

This bulletin presents the latest quarterly estimates of UK public sector employment. The public sector comprises central government, local government and public corporations as defined for the UK National Accounts.

These statistics are used mainly to monitor changes in the number of people employed in the UK public and private sector and to inform policy making across government. They are the official measure of UK public sector employment (PSE).

Estimates of PSE are presented by sector classification, industry and region. Civil Service employment is shown by government department and agency. Employment in executive non-departmental public bodies (NDPBs) is aggregated by sponsoring department.

Whilst 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 the accompanying [datasets](#).

The PSE estimates are point-in-time employment estimates and relate to a specific day in the published month.

The main source of PSE is the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey, which aims to obtain complete coverage of local authorities and the Civil Service, and coverage of all public bodies with 20 or more employees. It is difficult to achieve complete coverage for local and central government, for example, in the education sector. Further information can be found in the [Quality and Methodology Information](#) report.

All [time series](#) in this release, except for 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 public sector employment equals the sum total of all public sector industry estimates before seasonal adjustment, but this is not necessarily true after seasonal adjustment.

Comparisons of public and private sector employment over time are complicated by a number of major reclassifications, 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 Tables 5, 6a and 7a of the PSE [datasets](#).

Consistent with the [revisions policy for public sector employment statistics](#), the statistics are subject to revisions. Revisions can be made for a variety of reasons, the most common include:

- to account for late information from respondents
- to account for recent classifications to the public sector
- to update seasonal factors (updated quarterly and reviewed annually)

Tables 1R to 5R in the [public sector employment dataset](#) illustrate the size of the revisions in each category.

The [UK Statistics Authority](#) has designated these statistics as [National Statistics](#), in accordance with the [Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007](#) and signifying compliance with the [Code of Practice for Official Statistics](#).

3 . Public sector employment continues to fall

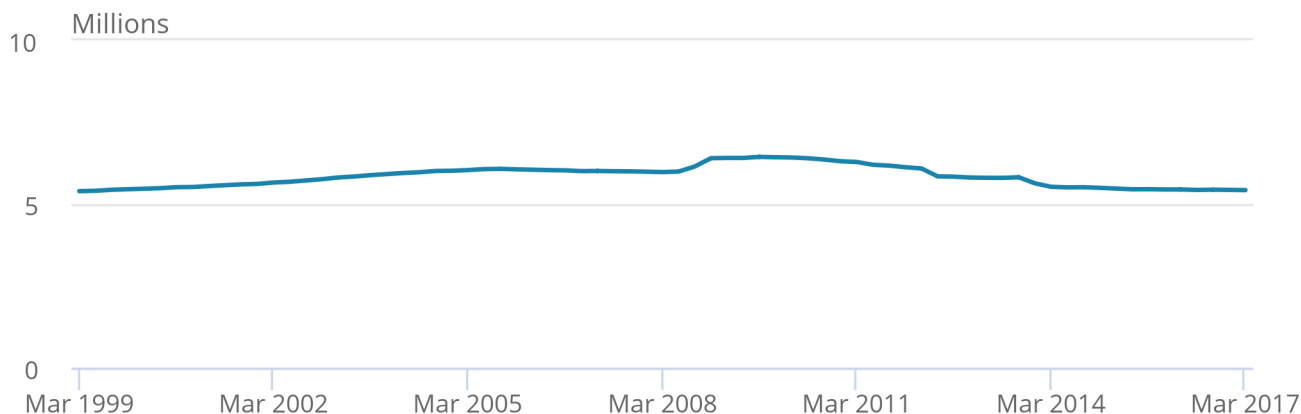
In March 2017, total UK public sector employment (PSE) decreased compared with the previous quarter and the previous year. There were 5.424 million employees in the public sector, down 7,000 (0.1%) on December 2016 and 20,000 (0.4%) on March 2016.

Of all people in work, 17.0% were employed in the public sector, a fall of 0.1 percentage points on the previous quarter and the lowest percentage since comparable records began in 1999.

Looking longer-term, PSE has been generally falling for the last 7 years, as shown in Figure 1. There are now around 1 million fewer employees in the public sector compared with the peak level of 6.440 million in September 2009.

Figure 1: Total UK public sector employment, March 1999 to March 2017, seasonally adjusted

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Source: Office for National Statistics

Notes:

1. Sep 2008: Housing associations in England reclassified to public sector.
2. Dec 2008: Lloyds Banking Group and Royal Bank of Scotland moved to public sector.
3. Jun 2012: English colleges moved to private sector.
4. Dec 2013: Royal Mail plc moved to private sector.
5. Mar 2014: Lloyds Banking Group moved back to the private sector.

4 . Employment rose in central government and fell in local government and public corporations

Central government employment continued to rise in March 2017, as shown in Figure 2. At 2.995 million, it was up 20,000 (0.7%) on the quarter and 83,000 (2.9%) on the year. An increase in employment in academies and the NHS contributed to the rise. The latest level is the highest shown since comparable records began in 1999.

Local government employment fell for the 14th consecutive quarter. It decreased by 25,000 (1.2%) on the quarter and 90,000 (4.1%) on the year to reach 2.123 million. Academy conversions account for some of the decrease. Since June 2010, local government employment has been falling and at March 2017 is the lowest since comparable records began in 1999.

Employment in public corporations fell to the lowest level since the series began in 1999. At 306,000, it was down 2,000 (0.6%) on the quarter and 13,000 (4.1%) on the year.

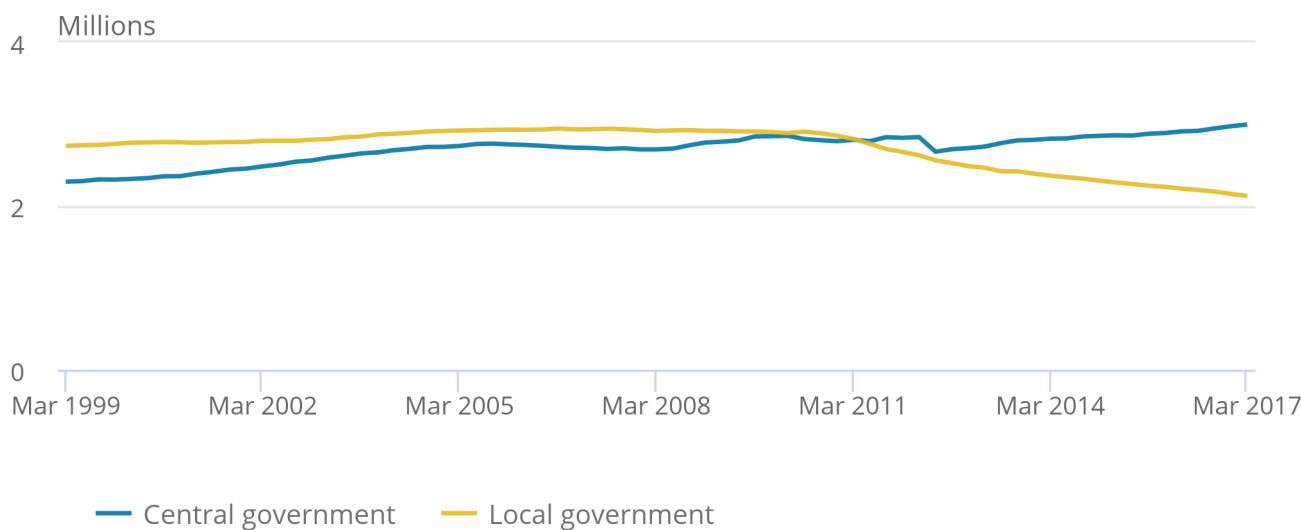
The academies impact

For the last 5 years, the composition of the public sector has been changing; central government employment has been rising whilst local government employment has been falling. Academy conversions in England are the main factor behind this – employees move from local to central government when local authority schools become academies.

In March 2017, academy conversions accounted for around 12,000 employees over the quarter and 56,000 over the year moving from local to central government.

Figure 2: UK public sector employment in local and central government, March 1999 to March 2017, seasonally adjusted

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Source: Office for National Statistics

Notes:

1. Jul 2010: Academies Act 2010 passed.
2. Jun 2012: English colleges moved to the private sector.

5 . “Other public sector” shows largest quarterly employment level fall

Looking at public sector employment (PSE) by industry for March 2017, the largest quarterly change in employment level was seen in “other public sector”, a fall of 6,000 (1.0%). It fell by 27,000 (4.3%) on the year to reach 597,000, the lowest since the start of the series.

The other industries showed small quarterly changes.

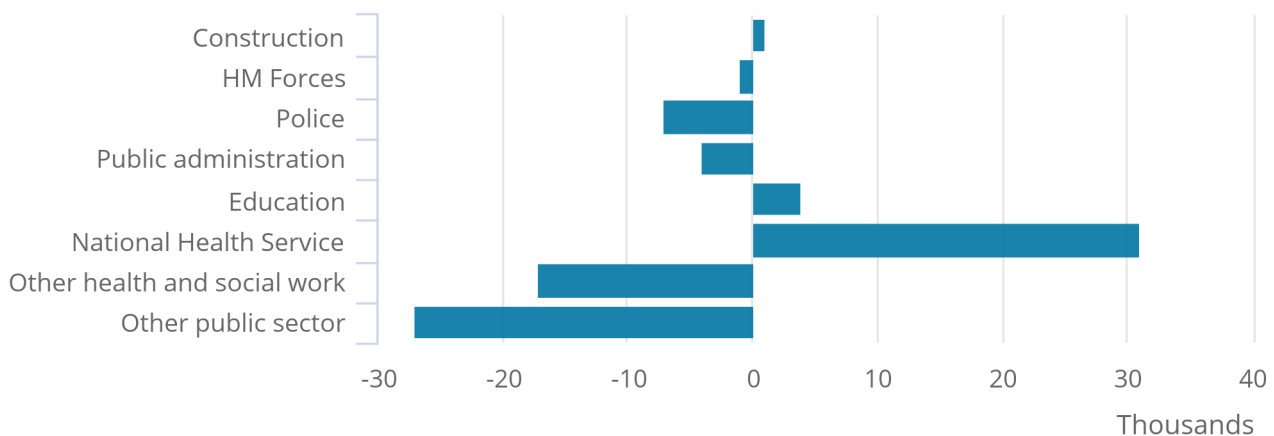
The largest annual changes in employment level were in the NHS, “other public sector” and “other health and social work”. Figure 3 shows the change on year by industry.

NHS employment has increased every quarter since June 2013. In March 2017, it increased by 1,000 (0.1%) on the previous quarter and 31,000 (2.0%) on the previous year to reach 1.604 million.

Employment in “other health and social work” has fallen every quarter for 5 years. At 261,000, it was down 1,000 (0.4%) on the quarter and 17,000 (6.1%) on the previous year.

Figure 3: Change in public sector employment, by industry, March 2016 to March 2017, seasonally adjusted, UK

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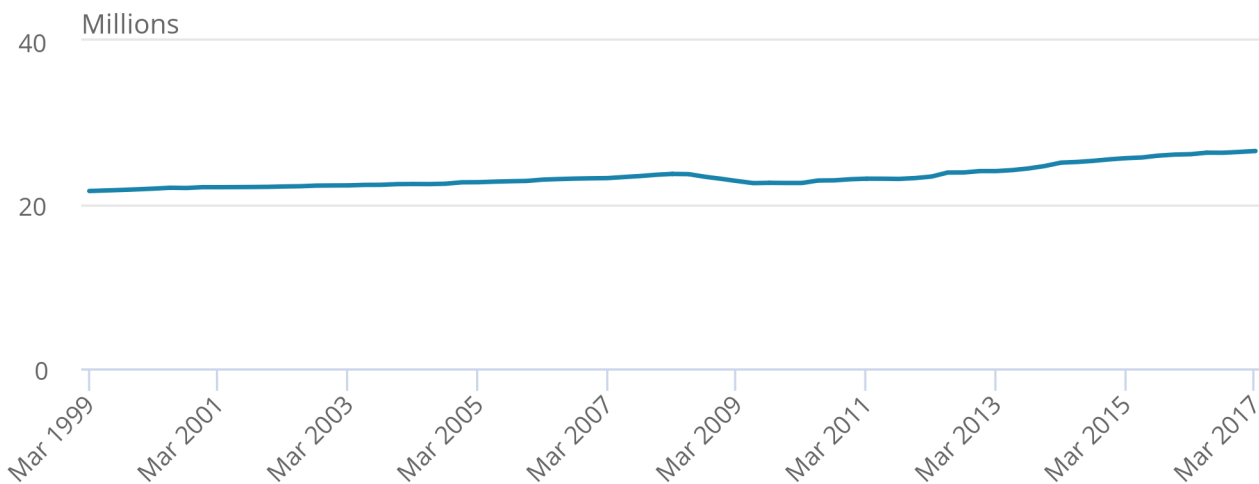
Source: Office for National Statistics

6 . Private sector employment continues to rise

Private sector employment reached a record high level in March 2017. At 26.530 million, it was up 115,000 (0.4%) on the quarter and 391,000 (1.5%) on the year. Private sector employment has been increasing strongly for nearly 7 years, as shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4: Private sector employment, March 1999 to March 2017, seasonally adjusted, UK

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Source: Office for National Statistics

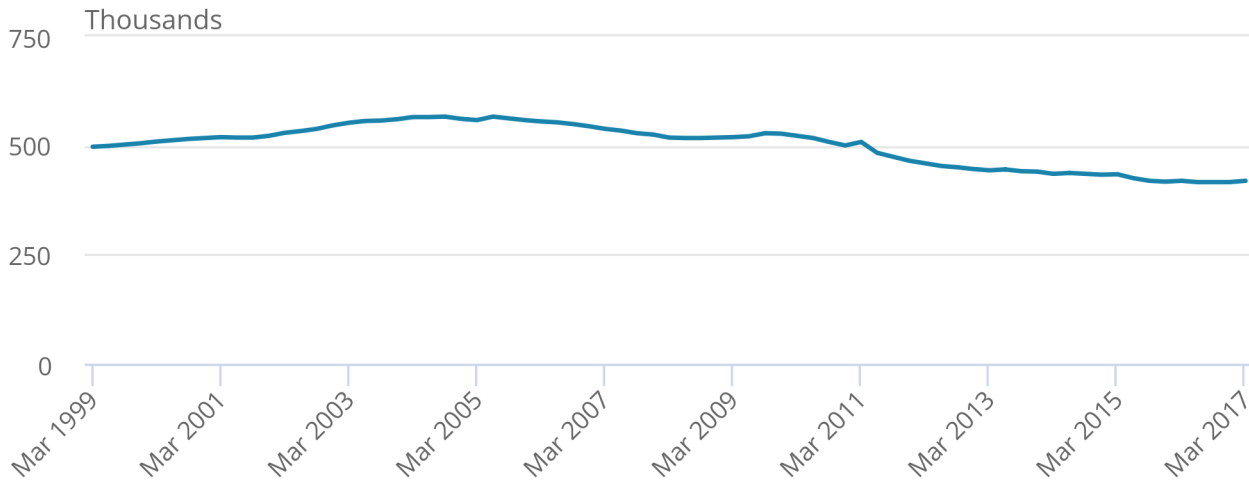
7 . Civil Service employment increases over the quarter

In March 2017, employment in the Home Civil Service was 419,000, up 3,000 (0.7%) on the previous quarter but unchanged on the previous year.

Civil Service employment last peaked at 566,000 in June 2005. Since then it has been generally falling and more recently the rate of decrease has lessened, as shown in Figure 5.

Figure 5: Employment in the Home Civil Service, March 1999 to March 2017, seasonally adjusted, UK

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Source: Office for National Statistics

Machinery of government changes in the period since 1 April 2016 are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Machinery of government changes, 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017, UK

Organisation name	Details
The Royal Parks	As of 16 March 2017, The Royal Parks agency transferred from being an executive agency under Department for Culture, Media and Sport and is no longer part of the Civil Service.
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	Around 300 staff transferred from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to the Department for Education between January and March 2017.
Cabinet Office	Around 90 staff transferred from The Office for Civil Society, previously held under Cabinet Office, to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport on 1 January 2017.
FCO Services	Around 90 staff transferred from FCO Services to the Ministry of Defence (excluding trading funds) on 1 January 2017.
Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU)	The Department for Exiting the European Union (DExEU) was formed in July 2016. DExEU employment has been reported separately for the first time in this release. The total DExEU headcount was approximately 350 as at 31 March 2017. As all DExEU employees are on loan, some still remain on home department records. To avoid double counting, DExEU has only reported the employees officially transferred as at 31 March 2017.
Animal and Plant Health Agency	Around 90 staff transferred from the Animal and Plant Health Agency to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs between September and December 2016.
Ministry of Justice	Around 50 staff transferred from the Ministry of Justice to the Government Internal Audit Agency between September and December 2016.
Oil and Gas Authority	On 1 October 2016, the Oil and Gas Authority became a government owned company and ceased to be part of the Civil Service.
Home Office	Around 90 staff transferred from the Home Office to the Cabinet Office between July and September 2016.
Skills Funding Agency	In July 2016, the sponsoring department of the Skills Funding Agency changed from Business, Innovation and Skills (former) to the Department for Education.
Department for International Trade	In July 2016, the Department for International Trade was formed by combining the former UK Trade and Investment elements of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and the former Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS). Around 700 staff transferred in from BIS and around 200 staff transferred in from the FCO.
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	In July 2016, the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy was formed by combining the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills and the Department of Energy and Climate Change.
Department for Business, Innovation and Skills	Around 80 staff transferred from the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills to HM Treasury between April and June 2016.
Department for Communities and Local Government	Around 50 staff transferred from the Department for Communities and Local Government to the Home Office between April and June 2016.
Department for Work and Pensions	Around 100 staff transferred from the Department for Work and Pensions to the Cabinet Office on 1 June 2016.
HM Treasury	On 1 April 2016, HM Treasury transferred around 70 staff to the Cabinet Office and around 20 staff to the Department for Work and Pensions.

Home Office	On 1 April 2016, around 40 staff transferred from the Home Office to the Government Internal Audit Agency.
National Measurement and Regulation Office (NMRO)	On 1 April 2016, NMRO was subsumed by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, resulting in the transfer of around 90 staff.
Department for Work and Pensions	On 1 April 2016, around 120 staff transferred from the Department for Work and Pensions to the Government Internal Audit Agency.

Source: Office for National Statistics

8 . Links to related statistics

The quarterly Civil Service statistics in this release are the official measure of Civil Service employment. More detailed statistics on the Civil Service population, such as regional analyses, diversity and earnings statistics, can be found in the annual [Civil Service statistics](#) release.

Estimates of [public sector employment in Scotland](#) are published quarterly by the Scottish government on the same day as the UK PSE release.

Estimates of public and private sector jobs in Northern Ireland are published by the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) in the [Northern Ireland Quarterly Employment Survey](#) release.

The [UK labour market release](#) provides a comprehensive picture of the structure and size of the UK labour market each month, covering employment, unemployment, economic inactivity and other employment statistics.

9 . What's changed in this release?

There have been revisions to estimates derived from the Labour Force Survey (affecting estimates of total employment and private sector employment) back to June 2012, resulting from taking on board the latest population estimates and a review of the seasonal adjustment process.

10 . Quality and methodology

The [Public sector employment Quality and Methodology Information document](#) contains important information on:

- the strengths and limitations of the data and how it compares with related data
- uses and users of the data
- how the output was created
- the quality of the output including the accuracy of the data

Response rates

The primary source of the PSE statistics is the Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (QPSES) which comprises three separate data collections: local authorities in England and Wales, public corporations and non-departmental public bodies (NDPBs) in Great Britain and the home Civil Service. Our targets for response before the results are compiled are 90% for Local Authorities and Public Bodies QPSES and 100% for Civil Service QPSES. Response rates for the latest period are shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Response rates for sources of UK public sector employment, March 2017

	Response (% of questionnaires returned)	Response (% of employment returned)
Local Authorities Survey	95	96
Public Bodies Survey	92	94
Civil Service Survey	100	100
Other Sources (see below)	100	100

Source: Office for National Statistics

So that estimates of total public sector employment can be made, it is necessary for further information to be gathered from external sources, listed in Table 3.

Table 3: External sources of data for UK public sector employment statistics, March 2017

	Geographic coverage	Source
Central government		
HM Forces	UK	Ministry of Defence: Defence Statistics
National Health Service	England	NHS Digital
	Wales	NHS Wales Informatics Service
	Scotland	Scottish Government
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Academies	England	School Workforce Census and list of all open academies (Department for Education)
Police (including civilians)	Scotland	Scottish Government
Police (British Transport Police)	England and Wales	Home Office
Other central government	Great Britain	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS)
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Local government		
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
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Public corporations		
	Great Britain	Quarterly Public Sector Employment Survey (ONS)
	Northern Ireland	Department of Finance and Personnel
Housing associations	England	Homes and Communities Agency

Source: Office for National Statistics

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1 Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government			Total public corporations ⁵	Total public sector ^{3 4 5 6 7 8 9}	Of which: Civil Service ^{4 10}
	Central government ^{3 4 5 6 7}	Local government ³	Total general government			
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
1999	2,304	2,742	5,046	358	5,404	499
2000	2,341	2,777	5,118	366	5,484	512
2001	2,418	2,778	5,196	378	5,574	518
2002	2,507	2,797	5,304	376	5,680	533
2003	2,615	2,840	5,455	386	5,841	556
2004	2,699	2,894	5,593	378	5,971	565
2005	2,757	2,925	5,682	384	6,066	566
2006	2,736	2,935	5,671	364	6,035	553
2007	2,697	2,944	5,641	360	6,001	534
2008	2,701	2,924	5,625	365	5,990	517
2009	2,801	2,912	5,713	694	6,407	521
2010	2,819	2,908	5,727	670	6,397	517
2011	2,792	2,760	5,552	646	6,198	483
2012	2,664	2,559	5,223	621	5,844	453
2013	2,769	2,424	5,193	605	5,798	445
2014	2,826	2,352	5,178	330	5,508	437
2015	2,861	2,268	5,129	320	5,449	425
2016	2,918	2,196	5,114	316	5,430	416
1999 Mar	2,298	2,736	5,034	359	5,393	497
Jun	2,304	2,742	5,046	358	5,404	499
Sep	2,325	2,747	5,072	363	5,435	502
Dec	2,323	2,760	5,083	368	5,451	505
2000 Mar	2,331	2,774	5,105	361	5,466	509
Jun	2,341	2,777	5,118	366	5,484	512
Sep	2,363	2,780	5,143	371	5,514	515
Dec	2,365	2,779	5,144	375	5,519	517
2001 Mar	2,397	2,773	5,170	378	5,548	519
Jun	2,418	2,778	5,196	378	5,574	518
Sep	2,445	2,781	5,226	374	5,600	518
Dec	2,457	2,783	5,240	374	5,614	522
2002 Mar	2,484	2,797	5,281	375	5,656	529
Jun	2,507	2,797	5,304	376	5,680	533
Sep	2,541	2,798	5,339	380	5,719	538
Dec	2,557	2,810	5,367	392	5,759	546
2003 Mar	2,591	2,818	5,409	402	5,811	552
Jun	2,615	2,840	5,455	386	5,841	556
Sep	2,642	2,849	5,491	391	5,882	557
Dec	2,655	2,874	5,529	385	5,914	560
2004 Mar	2,682	2,884	5,566	381	5,947	565
Jun	2,699	2,894	5,593	378	5,971	565
Sep	2,722	2,910	5,632	377	6,009	566
Dec	2,722	2,917	5,639	376	6,015	561
2005 Mar	2,734	2,922	5,656	380	6,036	558
Jun	2,757	2,925	5,682	384	6,066	566
Sep	2,762	2,931	5,693	381	6,074	562
Dec	2,753	2,933	5,686	373	6,059	558
2006 Mar	2,746	2,931	5,677	370	6,047	555
Jun	2,736	2,935	5,671	364	6,035	553
Sep	2,723	2,945	5,668	360	6,028	549
Dec	2,713	2,937	5,650	355	6,005	544
2007 Mar	2,709	2,938	5,647	362	6,009	538
Jun	2,697	2,944	5,641	360	6,001	534
Sep	2,705	2,938	5,643	354	5,997	528
Dec	2,692	2,929	5,621	366	5,987	525
2008 Mar	2,692	2,917	5,609	366	5,975	518
Jun	2,701	2,924	5,625	365	5,990	517
Sep	2,742	2,927	5,669	477	6,146	517
Dec	2,776	2,918	5,694	705	6,399	518
2009 Mar	2,786	2,919	5,705	702	6,407	519
Jun	2,801	2,912	5,713	694	6,407	521
Sep	2,850	2,911	5,761	679	6,440	528
Dec	2,853	2,904	5,757	671	6,428	527
2010 Mar	2,857	2,891	5,748	672	6,420	522
Jun	2,819	2,908	5,727	670	6,397	517
Sep	2,804	2,890	5,694	664	6,358	508
Dec	2,792	2,859	5,651	655	6,306	500
2011 Mar	2,809	2,821	5,630	654	6,284	508
Jun	2,792	2,760	5,552	646	6,198	483
Sep	2,841	2,696	5,537	636	6,173	474
Dec	2,833	2,661	5,494	629	6,123	465
2012 Mar	2,842	2,619	5,461	625	6,086	459
Jun	2,664	2,559	5,223	621	5,844	453
Sep	2,694	2,524	5,218	617	5,835	450
Dec	2,707	2,487	5,194	615	5,809	446
2013 Mar	2,726	2,468	5,194	607	5,801	443
Jun	2,769	2,424	5,193	605	5,798	445
Sep	2,802	2,424	5,226	591	5,817	441
Dec	2,808	2,395	5,203	429	5,632	440
2014 Mar	2,823	2,371	5,194	332	5,526	435
Jun	2,826	2,352	5,178	330	5,508	437
Sep	2,850	2,333	5,183	329	5,512	435
Dec	2,858	2,309	5,167	327	5,494	433
2015 Mar	2,864	2,287	5,151	322	5,473	434
Jun	2,861	2,268	5,129	320	5,449	425
Sep	2,883	2,248	5,131	321	5,452	419
Dec	2,892	2,233	5,125	319	5,444	417
2016 Mar	2,912 [†]	2,213 [†]	5,125 [†]	319	5,444 [†]	417
Jun	2,918	2,196	5,114	316	5,430	416
Sep	2,948	2,177	5,125	312	5,437	416
Dec	2,975	2,148	5,123	308	5,431	416
2017 Mar	2,995	2,123	5,118	306	5,424	419

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Change on quarter to:						
2016 Mar	20 [†]	-20 [†]	0 [†]	0	0 [†]	2
Jun	6	-17	-11	-3	-14	-3
Sep	30	-19	11	-4	7	0
Dec	27	-29	-2	-4	-6	0
2017 Mar	20	-25	-5	-2	-7	3
% change on quarter to:						
2016 Mar	0.7 [†]	-0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Jun	0.2	-0.8 [†]	-0.2	-0.9	-0.3	-0.7
Sep	1.0	-0.9	0.2	-1.3	0.1	0.0
Dec	0.9	-1.3	0.0 [†]	-1.3	-0.1 [†]	0.0
2017 Mar	0.7	-1.2	-0.1	-0.6	-0.1	0.7
Change on year to:						
2016 Mar	48 [†]	-74 [†]	-26 [†]	-3	-29 [†]	-15
Jun	57	-72	-15	-4	-19	-9
Sep	65	-71	-6	-9	-15	-3
Dec	83	-85	-2	-11	-13	-1
2017 Mar	83	-90	-7	-13	-20	0
% change on year to:						
2016 Mar	1.7	-3.2 [†]	-0.5	-0.9	-0.5	-3.5
Jun	2.0	-3.2	-0.3	-1.3	-0.3	-2.1
Sep	2.3	-3.2	-0.1	-2.8	-0.3	-0.7
Dec	2.9	-3.8	0.0 [†]	-3.4	-0.2 [†]	-0.2
2017 Mar	2.9	-4.1	-0.1	-4.1	-0.4	0.0

Source: Office for National Statistics

- 1 Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.
 - 2 Annual figures relate to June quarter.
 - 3 Police (England & Wales) are based on projections.
 - 4 Estimates for March 2011 include 15,000 temporary staff employed in connection with the 2011 Census.
 - 5 Network Rail is included in the private sector before December 2002. From December 2002 onwards it is included in the public sector (except for the period from June 2003 to March 2004, when it is included in the private sector).
 - 6 Welsh further education colleges were reclassified to the private sector on 27 January 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.
 - 7 Community Rehabilitation Companies moved to the private sector on 1 February 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.
 - 8 Royal Mail plc is included in the private sector from December 2013 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.
Lloyds Banking Group plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 to December 2013 but in the private sector for earlier and subsequent periods.
Royal Bank of Scotland plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.
Northern Rock is included in the public sector from December 2007 until December 2011 but in the private sector for earlier and later time periods.
Bradford and Bingley is included in the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.
 - 9 English housing associations are classified to the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.
English further education colleges and English sixth form college corporations classified to public sector from 1993 to 31 March 2012. They are therefore included in public sector estimates from 1993 to March 2012, but not in subsequent quarters.
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- † Indicates earliest revision

2 Public sector employment by industry; Headcount ¹

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	Public administration, defence, compulsory social security								Health and social work		
	Construction ²	HM Forces ³	Police (including civilians) ⁴	Public administration ⁵	Education ^{6,7}	National Health Service ⁸	Other health and social work ^{2,9}	Other public sector ^{2,10}			
	G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM			
Change on quarter to:											
2016 Mar	1	-1	-2	-5 [†]	1 [†]	7 [†]	-5	-3			
Jun	-1	0	-2	-6	3	11	-2	-11			
Sep	-1	0	-1	-1	4	8	-6	-1			
Dec	2	-1 [†]	-2	1	-2	11	-6 [†]	-9 [†]			
2017 Mar	1	0	-2	2	-1	1	-1	-6			
% change on quarter to:											
2016 Mar	2.9	-0.6	-0.8	-0.5 [†]	0.1 [†]	0.4 [†]	-1.8	0.5			
Jun	-2.9	0.0	-0.8	-0.6	0.2	0.7	-0.7	-1.8			
Sep	-2.9	0.0	-0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.5	-2.9	-0.2			
Dec	6.1	-0.6 [†]	-0.8	0.1	-0.1	0.7	-2.2 [†]	-1.5 [†]			
2017 Mar	2.9	0.0	-0.8	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.4	-1.0			
Change on year to:											
2016 Mar	-1	-3	-7	-25 [†]	1 [†]	28 [†]	-17	-6			
Jun	-1	-1	-8	-17	2	33	-15	-14			
Sep	-1	-1	-7	-14	9	34	-18	-12			
Dec	1	-2 [†]	-7	-11	6	37	-21 [†]	-18 [†]			
2017 Mar	1	-1	-7	-4	4	31	-17	-27			
% change on year to:											
2016 Mar	-2.8	-1.9	-2.7	-2.4 [†]	0.1 [†]	1.8 [†]	-5.8	-1.0			
Jun	-2.9	-0.6	-3.1	-1.7	0.1	2.1	-5.2	-2.2			
Sep	-2.9	-0.6	-2.8	-1.4	0.6	2.2	-6.3	-1.9			
Dec	2.9	-1.3 [†]	-2.8	-1.1	0.4	2.4	-7.4 [†]	-2.9 [†]			
2017 Mar	2.9	-0.6	-2.8	-0.4	0.3	2.0	-6.1	-4.3			

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

² English housing associations are classified to the public sector from September 2009 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

³ HM Forces series excludes locally engaged staff. The series also excludes mobilised reservists prior to 1996 as statistics are not available. Prior to June 2008, March = 1 March, June = 1 June, September = 1 September, December = 1 December. From June 2008 onwards March = 1 April, June = 1 July, September = 1 October, December = 1 January.

⁴ Police (England and Wales) are based on projections and subject to revision.

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

⁶ English further education colleges and English sixth form college corporations classified to public sector from 1993 to 31 March 2012. They are therefore included in public sector estimates from 1993 to March 2012, but not in subsequent quarters.

⁷ Welsh further education colleges were reclassified to the private sector on 27 January 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

⁸ Data for the NHS are subject to revisions.

⁹ Community Rehabilitation Companies moved to the private sector on 1 February 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

¹⁰ Royal Mail plc is included in the private sector from December 2013 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

Lloyds Banking Group plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 to December 2013 but in the private sector for earlier and subsequent periods.

Royal Bank of Scotland plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

Network Rail is included in the private sector before December 2002. From December 2002 onwards it is included in the public sector (except for the period from June 2003 to March 2004, when it is included in the private sector).

Northern Rock is included in the public sector from December 2007 until December 2011 but in the private sector for earlier and later time periods.

Bradford and Bingley is included in the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

[†] Indicates earliest revision

3 Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government			Total public corporations ⁸	Total public sector ^{3 4 5 6 7 8 9}	Of which: Civil Service ^{4 10}
	Central government ^{3 4 5 6 7}	Local government ³	Total general government			
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
1999	1,965	2,002	3,967	339	4,306	477
2000	1,994	2,016	4,010	346	4,356	488
2001	2,056	2,010	4,066	357	4,423	493
2002	2,130	2,030	4,160	357	4,517	506
2003	2,218	2,066	4,284	364	4,648	525
2004	2,299	2,110	4,409	356	4,765	534
2005	2,345	2,142	4,487	361	4,848	532
2006	2,330	2,172	4,502	341	4,843	519
2007	2,318	2,183	4,501	335	4,836	500
2008	2,330	2,169	4,499	340	4,839	484
2009	2,423	2,173	4,596	639	5,235	487
2010	2,445	2,177	4,622	618	5,240	481
2011	2,416	2,067	4,483	596	5,079	447
2012	2,333	1,924	4,257	574	4,831	418
2013	2,419	1,827	4,246	560	4,806	410
2014	2,465	1,776	4,241	309	4,550	403
2015	2,495	1,714	4,209	299	4,508	392
2016	2,536	1,661	4,197	295	4,492	384
1999 Mar	1,963	1,999	3,962	339	4,301	475
1999 Jun	1,965	2,002	3,967	339	4,306	477
1999 Sep	1,979	2,004	3,983	343	4,326	480
1999 Dec	1,980	2,009	3,989	348	4,337	482
2000 Mar	1,989	2,015	4,004	340	4,344	485
2000 Jun	1,994	2,016	4,010	346	4,356	488
2000 Sep	2,010	2,019	4,029	350	4,379	491
2000 Dec	2,013	2,017	4,030	353	4,383	493
2001 Mar	2,041	2,007	4,048	356	4,404	494
2001 Jun	2,056	2,010	4,066	357	4,423	493
2001 Sep	2,077	2,015	4,092	353	4,445	492
2001 Dec	2,087	2,018	4,105	353	4,458	496
2002 Mar	2,113	2,027	4,140	355	4,495	502
2002 Jun	2,130	2,030	4,160	357	4,517	506
2002 Sep	2,157	2,030	4,187	362	4,549	510
2002 Dec	2,172	2,043	4,215	371	4,586	516
2003 Mar	2,200	2,051	4,251	379	4,630	521
2003 Jun	2,218	2,066	4,284	364	4,648	525
2003 Sep	2,246	2,074	4,320	369	4,689	527
2003 Dec	2,252	2,091	4,343	362	4,705	529
2004 Mar	2,285	2,100	4,385	358	4,743	534
2004 Jun	2,299	2,110	4,409	356	4,765	534
2004 Sep	2,321	2,119	4,440	354	4,794	534
2004 Dec	2,316	2,124	4,440	355	4,795	529
2005 Mar	2,328	2,138	4,466	358	4,824	525
2005 Jun	2,345	2,142	4,487	361	4,848	532
2005 Sep	2,352	2,159	4,511	359	4,870	530
2005 Dec	2,343	2,158	4,501	351	4,852	525
2006 Mar	2,337	2,164	4,501	347	4,848	521
2006 Jun	2,330	2,172	4,502	341	4,843	519
2006 Sep	2,330	2,176	4,506	336	4,842	515
2006 Dec	2,336	2,183	4,519	331	4,850	510
2007 Mar	2,334	2,180	4,514	337	4,851	504
2007 Jun	2,318	2,183	4,501	335	4,836	500
2007 Sep	2,328	2,184	4,512	330	4,842	495
2007 Dec	2,318	2,172	4,490	343	4,833	491
2008 Mar	2,318	2,166	4,484	342	4,826	485
2008 Jun	2,330	2,169	4,499	340	4,839	484
2008 Sep	2,366	2,179	4,545	445	4,990	483
2008 Dec	2,395	2,174	4,569	651	5,220	484
2009 Mar	2,420	2,179	4,599	646	5,245	485
2009 Jun	2,423	2,173	4,596	639	5,235	487
2009 Sep	2,471	2,173	4,644	625	5,269	493
2009 Dec	2,473	2,175	4,648	617	5,265	493
2010 Mar	2,480	2,159	4,639	619	5,258	487
2010 Jun	2,445	2,177	4,622	618	5,240	481
2010 Sep	2,430	2,162	4,592	611	5,203	473
2010 Dec	2,420	2,135	4,555	604	5,159	465
2011 Mar	2,431	2,111	4,542	609	5,151	465
2011 Jun	2,416	2,067	4,483	596	5,079	447
2011 Sep	2,456	2,022	4,478	588	5,066	439
2011 Dec	2,447	1,994	4,441	581	5,022	430
2012 Mar	2,456	1,966	4,422	578	5,000	424
2012 Jun	2,333	1,924	4,257	574	4,831	418
2012 Sep	2,355	1,902	4,257	570	4,827	415
2012 Dec	2,366	1,881	4,247	569	4,816	411
2013 Mar	2,383	1,863	4,246	562	4,808	409
2013 Jun	2,419	1,827	4,246	560	4,806	410
2013 Sep	2,450	1,830	4,280	548	4,828	407
2013 Dec	2,453	1,806	4,259	398	4,657	405
2014 Mar	2,467	1,786	4,253	310	4,563	401
2014 Jun	2,465	1,776	4,241	309	4,550	403
2014 Sep	2,487	1,762	4,249	308	4,557	401
2014 Dec	2,492	1,746	4,238	305	4,543	400
2015 Mar	2,500	1,728	4,228	301	4,529	400
2015 Jun	2,495	1,714	4,209	299	4,508	392
2015 Sep	2,510	1,699	4,209	300	4,509	387
2015 Dec	2,516	1,689	4,205	298	4,503	386
2016 Mar	2,536 [†]	1,675 [†]	4,211	298	4,509	387
2016 Jun	2,536	1,661	4,197	295	4,492	384
2016 Sep	2,563	1,646	4,209	290	4,499	385
2016 Dec	2,573	1,626	4,199 [†]	287	4,486 [†]	385
2017 Mar	2,602	1,610	4,212	285	4,497	389

3 Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		General government			Total public corporations ⁸	Total public sector ^{3 4 5 6 7 8 9}	Of which: Civil Service ^{4 10}
		Central government ^{3 4 5 6 7}	Local government ³	Total general government			
		G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
Change on quarter to:							
2016	Mar	20 [†]	-14 [†]	6	0	6	1
	Jun	0	-14	-14	-3	-17	-3
	Sep	27	-15	12	-5	7	1
	Dec	10	-20	-10 [†]	-3	-13 [†]	0
2017	Mar	29	-16	13	-2	11	4
% change on quarter to:							
2016	Mar	0.8 [†]	-0.8 [†]	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.3
	Jun	0.0	-0.8	-0.3	-1.0	-0.4	-0.8
	Sep	1.1	-0.9	0.3	-1.7	0.2	0.3
	Dec	0.4	-1.2	-0.2 [†]	-1.0	-0.3 [†]	0.0
2017	Mar	1.1	-1.0	0.3	-0.7	0.2	1.0
Change on year to:							
2016	Mar	36 [†]	-53 [†]	-17	-3	-20	-13
	Jun	41	-53	-12	-4	-16	-8
	Sep	53	-53	0	-10	-10	-2
	Dec	57	-63	-6 [†]	-11	-17 [†]	-1
2017	Mar	66	-65	1	-13	-12	2
% change on year to:							
2016	Mar	1.4 [†]	-3.1 [†]	-0.4	-1.0	-0.4	-3.3
	Jun	1.6	-3.1	-0.3	-1.3	-0.4	-2.0
	Sep	2.1	-3.1	0.0	-3.3	-0.2	-0.5
	Dec	2.3	-3.7	-0.1 [†]	-3.7	-0.4 [†]	-0.3
2017	Mar	2.6	-3.9	0.0	-4.4	-0.3	0.5

Source: Office for National Statistics

- 1 Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.
 - 2 Annual figures relate to June quarter.
 - 3 Police (England & Wales) are based on projections.
 - 4 Estimates for March 2011 include 8,000 temporary staff employed in connection with the 2011 Census.
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4 Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent ¹

		United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted							
		Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Health and social work			
		Construction ²	HM Forces ³	Police (including civilians) ⁴	Public administration ⁵	Education ^{6,7}	National Health Service ⁸	Other health and social work ^{8,9}	Other public sector ^{2,10}
		G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
1999	-	-	218	220	988	948	970	276	610
2000	-	-	217	218	994	982	990	272	611
2001	-	-	214	222	998	997	1,025	263	638
2002	-	-	214	230	1,020	1,007	1,075	259	655
2003	-	-	223	240	1,056	1,049	1,126	245	656
2004	-	-	218	254	1,069	1,076	1,179	254	659
2005	-	-	210	262	1,081	1,090	1,221	261	673
2006	-	-	204	264	1,077	1,121	1,224	260	644
2007	-	-	197	272	1,062	1,132	1,220	257	652
2008	-	-	193	275	1,025	1,143	1,245	256	667
2009	-	-	197	283	1,015	1,164	1,304	290	948
2010	-	-	197	281	1,010	1,193	1,335	293	903
2011	-	-	193	266	940	1,183	1,313	282	878
2012	-	-	186	255	903	1,067	1,293	265	838
2013	-	-	175	250	900	1,099	1,297	252	809
2014	-	-	164	246	888	1,113	1,323	235	555
2015	-	-	159	243	853	1,119	1,346	222	545
2016	-	-	158	236	842	1,116	1,377	211	533
1999	Mar	-	217	221	984	945	967	276	611
	Jun	-	218	220	988	948	970	276	610
	Sep	-	218	219	989	944	975	279	609
	Dec	-	217	219	996	950	979	282	616
2000	Mar	-	217	218	1,000	957	984	279	610
	Jun	-	217	218	994	982	990	272	611
	Sep	-	216	219	990	989	996	266	622
	Dec	-	215	219	994	994	1,004	265	624
2001	Mar	-	215	221	997	997	1,014	263	629
	Jun	-	214	222	998	997	1,025	263	638
	Sep	-	214	224	998	997	1,036	264	640
	Dec	-	214	226	1,008	1,001	1,048	257	646
2002	Mar	-	214	228	1,014	1,004	1,062	258	653
	Jun	-	214	230	1,020	1,007	1,075	259	655
	Sep	-	215	232	1,021	1,023	1,088	249	653
	Dec	-	215	234	1,040	1,033	1,101	242	666
2003	Mar	-	221	237	1,048	1,039	1,114	241	671
	Jun	-	223	240	1,056	1,049	1,126	245	656
	Sep	-	222	243	1,060	1,049	1,142	247	657
	Dec	-	221	247	1,060	1,065	1,152	253	651
2004	Mar	-	219	251	1,067	1,071	1,173	255	650
	Jun	-	218	254	1,069	1,076	1,179	254	659
	Sep	-	216	256	1,076	1,076	1,190	257	661
	Dec	-	214	258	1,074	1,077	1,198	258	664
2005	Mar	-	212	261	1,075	1,085	1,210	260	668
	Jun	-	210	262	1,081	1,090	1,221	261	673
	Sep	-	208	263	1,080	1,102	1,226	259	672
	Dec	-	206	264	1,079	1,108	1,228	260	658
2006	Mar	-	205	262	1,078	1,115	1,224	259	655
	Jun	-	204	264	1,077	1,121	1,224	260	644
	Sep	-	203	266	1,077	1,121	1,221	262	642
	Dec	-	202	268	1,075	1,128	1,221	259	649
2007	Mar	-	199	272	1,068	1,130	1,223	258	652
	Jun	-	197	272	1,062	1,132	1,220	257	652
	Sep	-	195	273	1,063	1,141	1,222	256	642
	Dec	-	196	273	1,051	1,141	1,224	252	653
2008	Mar	-	194	274	1,033	1,140	1,226	255	663
	Jun	-	193	275	1,025	1,143	1,245	256	667
	Sep	-	193	276	1,014	1,156	1,262	289	751
	Dec	-	194	278	1,017	1,161	1,277	290	966
2009	Mar	-	196	281	1,016	1,170	1,290	291	960
	Jun	-	197	283	1,015	1,164	1,304	290	948
	Sep	-	199	284	1,027	1,168	1,320	297	929
	Dec	-	199	283	1,024	1,184	1,331	297	911
2010	Mar	-	199	283	1,019	1,178	1,337	293	908
	Jun	-	197	281	1,010	1,193	1,335	293	903
	Sep	-	196	279	992	1,177	1,328	292	896
	Dec	-	196	275	984	1,174	1,324	287	887
2011	Mar	-	194	271	971	1,178	1,320	287	895
	Jun	-	193	266	940	1,183	1,313	282	878
	Sep	-	191	262	929	1,195	1,306	277	866
	Dec	-	190	259	914	1,194	1,301	277	856
2012	Mar	-	187	257	905	1,210	1,295	270	845
	Jun	-	186	255	903	1,067	1,293	265	838
	Sep	-	183	253	896	1,070	1,292	261	833
	Dec	-	179	252	895	1,075	1,297	257	828
2013	Mar	-	178	251	897	1,079	1,299	255	818
	Jun	-	175	250	900	1,099	1,297	252	809
	Sep	-	174	248	899	1,112	1,305	251	800
	Dec	-	169	247	888	1,116	1,311	247	649
2014	Mar	-	167	246	887	1,116	1,318	245	556
	Jun	-	164	246	888	1,113	1,323	235	555
	Sep	-	163	245	882	1,113	1,329	233	553
	Dec	-	162	244	876	1,118	1,334	229	550
2015	Mar	-	161	245	867	1,117	1,340	225	547
	Jun	-	159	243	853	1,119	1,346	222	545
	Sep	-	159	241	852	1,111	1,352	219	542
	Dec	-	159	240	852	1,112	1,359	216	539
2016	Mar	-	158	238	849	1,113 [†]	1,367	212	542 [†]
	Jun	-	158	236	842	1,116	1,377	211	533
	Sep	-	158	235	842	1,115	1,384	205	530
	Dec	-	157 [†]	233	843 [†]	1,115	1,389 [†]	201	523
2017	Mar	-	157	232	848	1,116	1,397	200	519

4 Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent ¹

		United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted							
		Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Health and social work			
		Construction ²	HM Forces ³	Police (including civilians) ⁴	Public administration ⁵	Education ^{6,7}	National Health Service ⁸	Other health and social work ^{8,9}	Other public sector ^{2,10}
		G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
Change on quarter to:									
2016	Mar	-	-1	-2	-3	1 †	8	-4	-3 †
	Jun	-	0	-2	-7	3	10	-1	-9
	Sep	-	0	-1	0	-1	7	-6	-3
	Dec	-	-1 †	-2	1 †	0	5 †	-4	-7
2017	Mar	-	0	-1	5	1	8	-1	-4
% change on quarter to:									
2016	Mar	-	-0.6	-0.8	-0.4	0.1 †	0.6	-1.9	0.6 †
	Jun	-	0.0	-0.8	-0.8	0.3	0.7	-0.5	-1.7
	Sep	-	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.5	-2.8	-0.6
	Dec	-	-0.6 †	-0.9	0.1 †	0.0	0.4 †	-2.0	-1.3
2017	Mar	-	0.0	-0.4	0.6	0.1	0.6	-0.5	-0.8
Change on year to:									
2016	Mar	-	-3	-7	-18	-4 †	27	-13	-5 †
	Jun	-	-1	-7	-11	-3	31	-11	-12
	Sep	-	-1	-6	-10	4	32	-14	-12
	Dec	-	-2 †	-7	-9 †	3	30 †	-15	-16
2017	Mar	-	-1	-6	-1	3	30	-12	-23
% change on year to:									
2016	Mar	-	-1.9	-2.9	-2.1	-0.4 †	2.0	-5.8	-0.9 †
	Jun	-	-0.6	-2.9	-1.3	-0.3	2.3	-5.0	-2.2
	Sep	-	-0.6	-2.5	-1.2	0.4	2.4	-6.4	-2.2
	Dec	-	-1.3 †	-2.9	-1.1 †	0.3	2.2 †	-6.9	-3.0
2017	Mar	-	-0.6	-2.5	-0.1	0.3	2.2	-5.7	-4.2

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

² English housing associations are classified to the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

³ HM Forces series excludes locally engaged staff. The series also excludes mobilised reservists prior to 1996 as statistics are not available. Prior to June 2008, March = 1 March, June = 1 June, September = 1 September, December = 1 December. From June 2008 onwards March = 1 April, June = 1 July, September = 1 October, December = 1 January.

⁴ Police (England and Wales) are based on projections and subject to revision.

⁵ Estimates for March 2011 include temporary staff with a FTE of approximately 8,000 employed in connection with the 2011 Census.

⁶ English further education colleges and English sixth form college corporations classified to public sector from 1993 to 31 March 2012. They are therefore included in public sector estimates from 1993 to March 2012, but not in subsequent quarters.

⁷ Welsh further education colleges were reclassified to the private sector on 27 January 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

⁸ Data for the NHS are subject to revisions.

⁹ Community Rehabilitation Companies moved to the private sector on 1 February 2015. They are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

¹⁰ Royal Mail plc is included in the private sector from December 2013 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

Lloyds Banking Group plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 to December 2013 but in the private sector for earlier and subsequent periods.

Network Rail is included in the private sector before December 2002. From December 2002 onwards it is included in the public sector (except for the period from June 2003 to March 2004, when it is included in the private sector).

Northern Rock is included in the public sector from December 2007 until December 2011 but in the private sector for earlier and later time periods.

Bradford and Bingley is included in the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

† Indicates earliest revision

5 Public and private sector employment; Headcount ^{1 2}

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total employment (thousands) ^{7 8}	Public sector excluding effects of major reclassifications ^{9 10}		Private sector excluding effects of major reclassifications ^{9 10}	
	Headcount (thousands) ³	Percentage ⁴	Headcount (thousands) ⁵	Percentage ⁶		Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2		G7GO	MFY7	MFY9	MFZ2	MFY5
Change on quarter to:									
2016 Mar	0 †	-0.1	46 †	0.1	46 †	-1 †	0.0	47 †	0.0
Jun	-14	-0.1	188	0.1	174	0	-0.1	174	0.1
Sep	7	0.0	-9	0.0	-2	1	0.0	-3	0.0
Dec	-6	0.0	97	0.0	91	-4	-0.1	95	0.1
2017 Mar	-7	-0.1	115	0.1	108	-6	-0.1	114	0.1
% change on quarter to:									
2016 Mar	0.0	..	0.2	..	0.1 †	0.0	..	0.2	..
Jun	-0.3	..	0.7	..	0.6	0.0	..	0.7	..
Sep	0.1	..	0.0	..	0.0	0.0	..	0.0	..
Dec	-0.1 †	..	0.4	..	0.3	-0.1 †	..	0.4 †	..
2017 Mar	-0.1	..	0.4	..	0.3	-0.1	..	0.4	..
Change on year to:									
2016 Mar	-29 †	-0.4	486 †	0.4	457 †	-27 †	-0.3	484 †	0.3
Jun	-19	-0.4	585	0.4	566	-15	-0.3	581	0.3
Sep	-15	-0.3	353	0.3	338	1	-0.2	337	0.2
Dec	-13	-0.2	322	0.2	309	-4	-0.2	313	0.2
2017 Mar	-20	-0.2	391	0.2	371	-9	-0.3	380	0.3
% change on year to:									
2016 Mar	-0.5	..	1.9	..	1.5	-0.5	..	1.9	..
Jun	-0.3	..	2.3 †	..	1.8	-0.3	..	2.2	..
Sep	-0.3	..	1.4	..	1.1	0.0	..	1.3	..
Dec	-0.2 †	..	1.2	..	1.0	-0.1 †	..	1.2	..
2017 Mar	-0.4	..	1.5	..	1.2	-0.2	..	1.4	..

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

1 Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

2 Annual figures relate to June quarter.

3 Estimates for December 2007 onwards are based partly on projections.

4 Represents G7AU/G7GO*100.

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

6 Represents G7K5/G7GO*100.

7 Labour Force Survey - All in Employment aged 16 and over. Data refers to May-July for annual data from 1992 - 2004, for March to February - April, June to May - July, September to August - October and December to November - January. Quarterly and annual changes may differ slightly from those published elsewhere due to rounding conventions.

8 There are revisions to the Labour Force Survey estimates back to June 2012 as a result of taking on board population estimates and a review of the seasonal adjustment process.

9 In recent years the public and private sector employment series have been affected by a number of major reclassifications where bodies employing large numbers of people have moved between the public and private sectors. These major reclassifications are as follows:
English further education colleges and English sixth form college corporations classified to public sector from 1993 to 31 March 2012. They are therefore included in public sector estimates from 1993 to March 2012, but not in subsequent quarters.

Royal Mail plc is included in the private sector from December 2013 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

Lloyds Banking Group plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 to December 2013 but in the private sector for earlier and subsequent periods.

Royal Bank of Scotland plc is included in the public sector from December 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

Network Rail is included in the private sector before December 2002. From December 2002 onwards it is included in the public sector (except for the period from June 2003 to March 2004, when it is included in the private sector).

Northern Rock is included in the public sector from December 2007 until December 2011 but in the private sector for earlier and later time periods.

Bradford and Bingley is included in the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

Welsh further education colleges are included in the private sector from March 2015 but in the public sector for earlier time periods.

English housing associations are classified to the public sector from September 2008 but in the private sector for earlier time periods.

10 The series shown in this table for public and private sector employment excluding the effects of major reclassifications show all of the above mentioned bodies included in the private sector for all time periods.

† Indicates earliest revision

8 ..continued, Civil Service employment by department

	Full-time equivalents, Great Britain, not seasonally adjusted				
	March 2017			December 2016	Change on Quarter
	Male	Female	Total	Total	Total
Permanent Employees					
Attorney General's departments	2,890	4,550	7,440	7,390	50
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	6,850	6,670	13,520	13,830	-310
Cabinet Office	1,280	1,200	2,480	2,650	-170
Other Cabinet Office agencies	360	400	760	760	..
Charity Commission	130	140	270	270	..
Communities and Local Government	1,070	970	2,040	2,010	30
Culture, Media and Sport	290	320	610	640	-30
Defence	33,140	19,020	52,170	51,480	690
Education	2,160	2,890	5,050	4,440	610
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	3,020	3,260	6,280	6,210	70
ESTYN	50	60	110	110	..
Exiting the European Union ³	100	110	210	0	210
Export Credits Guarantee Department	170	90	260	240	20
Food Standards Agency	690	320	1,010	1,020	-10
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	3,130	2,150	5,280	5,390	..
Health	2,660	4,450	7,110	7,380	-270
HM Revenue and Customs	30,910	34,580	65,500	65,030	470
HM Treasury	640	570	1,210	1,160	40
Chancellor's other departments	470	360	830	830	..
Home Office	12,660	12,720	25,370	25,090	280
International Development	910	1,140	2,050	1,980	70
International Trade	610	440	1,050	910	140
Justice	29,990	32,560	62,550	61,660	890
The National Archives ⁴	280	270	550	550	..
National Crime Agency	2,720	1,630	4,350	4,350	..
Northern Ireland Office	40	50	90	100	-10
Office for Standards in Education	550	910	1,470	1,430	30
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	420	360	780	790	-10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	80	110	190	190	10
Office of Rail and Road	170	110	280	290	-10
OFWAT ⁵	90	80	180	180	..
Scotland Office	50	60	110	100	10
Transport	7,420	5,410	12,830	12,800	30
UK Statistics Authority	1,530	1,830	3,360	3,220	140
UK Supreme Court	20	20	40	40	..
Wales Office	20	20	40	40	..
Work and Pensions	27,350	49,020	76,370	75,460	900
Central Government Departments Total	174,900	188,840	363,740	359,880	3,870
Scottish Government	8,240	7,410	15,640	15,530	110
Welsh Government	2,170	2,900	5,070	5,050	10
TOTAL	185,310	199,150	384,450	380,460	3,990
Temporary/Casual Employees					
Attorney General's departments	80	150	230	230	-10
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	80	90	170	170	-10
Cabinet Office	20	30	50	60	-20
Other Cabinet Office agencies	20	30	40	60	-20
Charity Commission	10	10	20	20	..
Communities and Local Government	10	10	20	10	10
Culture, Media and Sport	10	10	20	10	10
Defence	60	20	80	170	-100
Education	40	50	90	100	-10
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	30	60	90	90	..
ESTYN	0	0	0	0	0
Exiting the European Union ³	0	0	0	0	0
Export Credits Guarantee Department	10	..	10	10	..
Food Standards Agency	10	10	20	20	..
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	10	..	10	10	..
Health	150	270	420	610	-190
HM Revenue and Customs	120	100	220	230	-10
HM Treasury	30	20	50	60	-10
Chancellor's other departments	20	20	40	10	20
Home Office	400	370	770	610	160
International Development	60	60	120	110	10
International Trade	0	0	0	0	0
Justice	80	130	210	360	-160
The National Archives ⁴	10	10	20	20	..
National Crime Agency	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Ireland Office	0	0	0	0	0
Office for Standards in Education	..	..	..	30	-30
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	40	50	100	110	-10
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	0	0	0	10	-10
Office of Rail and Road	..	..	..	..	..
OFWAT ⁵	10	..	10	10	..
Scotland Office	0	0	0	0	0
Transport	120	140	260	260	..
UK Statistics Authority	50	30	80	90	-10
UK Supreme Court	..	10	10	10	..
Wales Office	..	..	..	0	..
Work and Pensions	360	340	700	890	-190
Central Government Departments Total	1,820	2,010	3,830	4,370	-540
Scottish Government	180	220	400	380	20
Welsh Government	10	20	20	20	..
TOTAL	2,010	2,250	4,250	4,780	-530
All Employees					
	187,310	201,390	388,700	385,240	3,460

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 The Department for Exiting the European Union (DEXEU) was formed in July 2016. DEXEU employment has been reported separately for the first time in this release.

The total DEXEU headcount was approximately 350 as at 31 March 2017. As all DEXEU employees are on loan, some still remain on home department records. To avoid double counting, DEXEU has only reported the employees officially transferred as at 31 March 2017.

4 The National Archives, a non-ministerial department, is now reported as a standalone entry. It was formerly reported under the Culture, Media and Sport departmental hierarchy.

5 OFWAT, a non-ministerial department, is now reported as a standalone entry. It was formerly reported under the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs departmental hierarchy.

9 Civil Service employment by department and agency ¹

	March 2017		December 2016		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Attorney General's departments						
Attorney General's Office	40	40	40	40	..	..
Crown Prosecution Service	5,980	5,530	5,950	5,490	30	30
HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate	30	30	30	30	0	0
Serious Fraud Office	410	400	400	400	..	..
Government Legal Department	1,800	1,680	1,800	1,660	..	20
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy						
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ²	2,770	2,690	3,240	3,140	-470	-440
Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service	820	750	820	750	..	..
Companies House	890	820	900	830	-10	-10
Competition and Markets Authority	570	550	570	550	0	0
Insolvency Service	1,390	1,320	1,380	1,310	10	10
Land Registry	4,810	4,340	4,690	4,230	130	120
Met Office	2,090	2,000	2,100	2,010	-10	-10
UK Intellectual Property Office	1,180	1,110	1,170	1,100	10	10
UK Space Agency	110	110	90	90	20	20
Cabinet Office						
Cabinet Office (excluding agencies) ³	2,580	2,520	2,770	2,710	-190	-190
Other Cabinet Office agencies						
Crown Commercial Service	720	710	770	730	-50	-20
Government in Parliament	100	100	100	90	..	..
Charity Commission						
Charity Commission	310	290	310	290	..	..
Communities and Local Government						
Department for Communities and Local Government (excluding agencies)	1,450	1,410	1,420	1,370	40	40
Planning Inspectorate	670	600	680	600	..	..
Queen Elizabeth II Centre	50	50	50	50	..	..
Culture, Media and Sport						
Department for Culture, Media and Sport (excluding agencies) ³	640	630	550	540	90	90
Royal Parks ⁴	0	0	120	120	-120	-120
Defence						
Ministry of Defence (excluding trading funds) ⁵	38,430	37,240	38,170	37,030	250	220
Defence Equipment and Support	10,820	10,550	10,420	10,170	400	380
Defence Science and Technology Laboratory	3,760	3,620	3,760	3,620	0	-10
UK Hydrographic Office	860	830	860	830	..	..
Department for Education						
Department for Education (excluding agencies) ²	3,230	3,100	2,680	2,570	550	530
Education Funding Agency	1,040	1,010	950	920	90	90
National College for Teaching and Leadership	310	300	310	290	10	10
Skills Funding Agency	640	630	650	640	-10	-10
Standards and Testing Agency	120	110	120	120	..	..
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs						
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (excluding agencies)	1,940	1,860	1,810	1,740	130	120
Animal and Plant Health Agency	2,240	2,090	2,250	2,100	-20	-10
Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science	550	520	540	500	10	20
Rural Payments Agency	1,920	1,760	1,980	1,810	-60	-50
Veterinary Medicines Directorate	150	150	150	150	..	..
ESTYN						
ESTYN	120	110	120	110	..	..
Exiting the European Union						
Department for Exiting the European Union ⁶	210	210	0	0	210	210
Export Credits Guarantee Department						
Export Credits Guarantee Department	270	270	250	240	20	20
Food Standards Agency						
Food Standards Agency	1,060	1,030	1,070	1,040	-20	-20
Foreign and Commonwealth Office						
Foreign and Commonwealth Office (excluding agencies)	4,500	4,420	4,430	4,340	70	80
FCO Services ⁵	810	790	900	880	-90	-80
Wilton Park Executive Agency	90	80	80	80	..	..
Health						
Department of Health (excluding agencies)	1,360	1,300	1,840	1,760	-480	-460
Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency	1,300	1,250	1,280	1,230	20	20
Public Health England	5,330	4,970	5,340	5,000	-20	-30
HM Revenue and Customs						
HM Revenue and Customs (excluding agencies)	68,710	62,270	68,270	61,780	450	490
Valuation Office Agency	3,710	3,440	3,740	3,480	-30	-40
HM Treasury						
HM Treasury (excluding agencies)	1,260	1,230	1,220	1,190	40	40
Office for Budget Responsibility	30	30	30	30	..	..
Chancellor's other departments						
Debt Management Office	110	110	110	110	..	..
Government Actuary's Department	170	170	160	150	10	10
Government Internal Audit Agency	430	410	420	400	10	10
National Savings and Investments	190	180	190	180	..	..
Home Office						
Home Office	28,110	26,140	27,600	25,700	510	440
International Development						
Department for International Development	2,220	2,160	2,150	2,080	80	80
International Trade						
Department for International Trade	1,060	1,050	920	910	140	140

9 Civil Service employment by department and agency ¹

	March 2017		December 2016		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Justice						
Ministry of Justice (excluding agencies)	2,650	2,580	2,590	2,520	60	60
Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority	310	290	270	250	40	40
HM Courts and Tribunals Service	15,780	13,990	15,770	14,000	10	-10
Legal Aid Agency	1,410	1,340	1,370	1,300	40	30
National Offender Management Service	46,020	43,490	45,450	42,930	570	560
The Office of the Public Guardian	1,140	1,070	1,090	1,020	50	50
The National Archives						
The National Archives ⁷	600	570	600	570	..	..
National Crime Agency						
National Crime Agency	4,450	4,350	4,440	4,350	10	..
Northern Ireland Office						
Northern Ireland Office	90	90	100	100	..	-10
Office for Standards in Education						
Office for Standards in Education	1,520	1,470	1,520	1,460	..	10
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets						
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets	890	880	910	900	-20	-20
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation						
Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation	200	190	200	190	..	..
Office of Rail and Road						
Office of Rail and Road	300	280	300	290	..	..
OFWAT						
OFWAT ⁸	190	180	190	190	..	..
Scotland Office						
Scotland Office (incl. Office of the Advocate General for Scotland)	110	110	110	100	10	..
Transport						
Department for Transport (excluding agencies)	2,260	2,190	2,200	2,130	70	60
Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency	6,050	5,370	6,140	5,450	-90	-90
Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency	4,650	4,390	4,620	4,360	40	40
Maritime and Coastguard Agency	1,040	990	1,020	970	20	20
Vehicle Certification Agency	150	140	150	140	..	..
UK Statistics Authority						
UK Statistics Authority	4,040	3,450	3,880	3,310	160	140
UK Supreme Court						
UK Supreme Court	50	50	50	50	0	0
Wales Office						
Wales Office	40	40	40	40	0	0
Work and Pensions						
Department for Work and Pensions	84,050	74,550	83,330	73,840	720	710
The Health and Safety Executive	2,710	2,520	2,700	2,510	10	10
Scottish Government						
Scottish Government (excluding agencies)	5,460	5,210	5,390	5,150	70	70
Accountant in Bankruptcy	140	120	140	130	..	..
Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal	1,740	1,600	1,750	1,600	-10	..
Disclosure Scotland	330	310	330	310	..	..
Education Scotland	270	260	280	270	-10	-10
Food Standards Scotland	170	170	170	170	0	..
National Records of Scotland	380	360	370	350	10	10
Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator	50	50	50	50	..	..
Registers of Scotland	1,130	1,080	1,070	1,020	60	60
Revenue Scotland	50	50	50	50	..	..
Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service	1,690	1,530	1,690	1,530	-10	-10
Scottish Housing Regulator	50	50	50	50	..	..
Scottish Prison Service	4,560	4,370	4,550	4,350	20	20
Scottish Public Pensions Agency	310	280	310	290	-10	-10
Student Awards Agency for Scotland	250	240	250	240	..	..
Transport Scotland	400	380	390	380	10	10
Welsh Government						
Welsh Government	5,390	5,090	5,380	5,080	20	10
Total employment	419,480	388,700	415,940	385,240	3,550	3,460

Source: Office for National Statistics

- Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten, and numbers less than five are represented by "...".
- Around 300 staff transferred from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to the Department for Education between January and March 2017.
- Around 90 staff transferred from The Office for Civil Society, previously held under Cabinet Office, to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport on 1 January 2017.
- As of 16 March 2017 The Royal Parks agency transferred from being an executive agency under Department for Culture, Media and Sport and is no longer part of the Civil Service.
- Around 90 staff transferred from FCO Services to the Ministry of Defence (excluding trading funds) on 1 January 2017.
- The Department for Exiting the European Union (DEXEU) was formed in July 2016. DEXEU employment has been reported separately for the first time in this release. The total DEXEU headcount was approximately 350 as at 31 March 2017. As all DEXEU employees are on loan, some still remain on home department records. To avoid double counting, DEXEU has only reported the employees officially transferred as at 31 March 2017.
- The National Archives, a non-ministerial department, is now reported as a standalone entry. It was formerly reported under the Culture, Media and Sport departmental hierarchy.
- OFWAT, a non-ministerial department, is now reported as a standalone entry. It was formerly reported under the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs departmental hierarchy.

10 Employment in Executive NDPBs ^{1 2 3}

Permanent Employees	March 2017		December 2016		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	9,800	9,430	9,720	9,380	70	50
Cabinet Office	860	800	850	790	20	10
Communities and Local Government	870	860	930	920	-60	-60
Culture, Media and Sport	10,690	9,760	10,600	9,690	90	60
Defence	510	420	480	410	30	10
Education	4,650	4,420	4,630	4,410	20	10
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	14,370	13,520	14,050	13,230	320	290
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	1,470	1,440	1,460	1,430	10	..
Health	11,050	10,570	10,950	10,420	90	150
Home Office	2,140	2,040	2,090	1,990	50	50
Justice	2,030	1,910	2,030	1,920	..	-10
Transport	1,550	1,510	1,540	1,510	10	..
Work and Pensions	880	840	850	820	30	20
Central Government Departments Total	60,850	57,500	60,180	56,910	670	590
Scottish Government	10,990	10,020	10,940	9,960	50	70
Welsh Assembly	2,930	2,720	2,910	2,710	20	10
TOTAL	74,770	70,250	74,030	69,580	740	670

Temporary Employees	March 2017		December 2016		Change on Quarter	
	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent	Headcount	Full Time Equivalent
Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy	300	290	350	330	-40	-40
Cabinet Office	40	40	40	40	..	..
Communities and Local Government	30	30	30	30	..	..
Culture, Media and Sport	1,340	690	1,410	680	-70	20
Defence	130	50	120	50	10	0
Education	230	220	270	270	-40	-40
Environment, Food and Rural Affairs ⁴	380	370	420	400	-30	-40
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health	1,460	930	1,810	890	-360	50
Home Office	160	130	150	110	20	20
Justice	40	40	40	40	..	..
Transport	10	10	10	10	..	..
Work and Pensions	40	40	10	10	30	30
Central Government Departments Total	4,160	2,840	4,660	2,860	-500	-20
Scottish Government	720	590	690	590	30	..
Welsh Assembly	370	80	400	110	-30	-20
TOTAL	5,260	3,510	5,750	3,550	-490	-50

All NDPB Employees	80,030	73,760	79,780	73,130	250	630
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Source: Office for National Statistics

- 1 Includes Executive NDPBs with an employment of greater than 20.
- 2 Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten.
- 3 These figures do not include employees of ACAS, Health and Safety Executive, Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority, Office for Budget Responsibility and Civil Service Commission. These are Crown NDPBs, the employees of which are included as part of Civil Service headcounts.
- 4 Environment Agency includes all regional divisions.

1R Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government					
	Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
	G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011	-	-	-	-	-	-
2012	-	-	-	-	-	-
2013	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-
2016	-	-	-	-	-	-
1999 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2012 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2013 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2016 Mar	-2	1	-1	-	-1	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-5	-5	-	-5	-
2017 Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..

1R Public sector employment by sector classification; Headcount - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		General government			Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
		Central government	Local government	Total general government			
		G6NQ	G6NT	G6NW	G7AR	G7AU	G7D6
Change on quarter to:							
2016	Mar	-2	1	-1	-	-1	-
	Jun	2	-1	1	-	1	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-5	-5	-	-5	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:							
2016	Mar	-0.1	-	-	-	-	-
	Jun	0.1	-0.1	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.2	-0.1	-	-0.1	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:							
2016	Mar	-2	1	-1	-	-1	-
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-5	-5	-	-5	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:							
2016	Mar	-	0.1	-	-	-	-
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.2	-0.1	-	-0.1	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

² Annual figures relate to June quarter.

2R Public sector employment by industry; Headcount - Revisions ¹

		United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted							
		Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Health and social work			
		Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work	Other public sector
		G7ER	G7EU	G7EX	G7F2	G7F5	G7FG	G7FJ	G7FM
Change on quarter to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-1	-2	-1	-	-
	Jun	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-1	-	-	-3	-1	-1	-1
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-	-
	Jun	-	-	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.6	-	-	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-1	-2	-1	-	-
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-1	-	-	-3	-1	-1	-1
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-	-
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.7	-	-	-0.2	-	-0.3	-0.2
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

3R Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

	General government					
	Central government	Local government	Total general government	Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
	G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011	-	-	-	-	-	-
2012	-	-	-	-	-	-
2013	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-
2016	-	-	-	-	-	-
1999 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2012 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2013 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015 Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-
2016 Mar	-2	2	-	-	-	-
Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec	-	-4	-4	-	-4	-
2017 Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..

3R Public sector employment by sector classification; Full-time equivalent - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted

		General government			Total public corporations	Total public sector	Of which: Civil Service
		Central government	Local government	Total general government			
		G7FP	G7FS	G7FV	G7FY	G7G3	G7G6
Change on quarter to:							
2016	Mar	-2	2	-	-	-	-
	Jun	2	-2	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-4	-4	-	-4	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:							
2016	Mar	-0.1	0.1	-	-	-	-
	Jun	0.1	-0.1	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.2	-0.1	-	-0.1	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:							
2016	Mar	-2	2	-	-	-	-
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-4	-4	-	-4	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:							
2016	Mar	-0.1	0.1	-	-	-	-
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.2	-0.1	-	-0.1	-
2017	Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Office for National Statistics

- 1 Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.
- 2 Annual figures relate to June quarter.

4R Public sector employment by industry; Full-time equivalent - Revisions ¹

		United Kingdom (thousands), seasonally adjusted							
		Public administration, defence, compulsory social security				Health and social work			
		Construction	HM Forces	Police (including civilians)	Public administration	Education	National Health Service	Other health and social work	Other public sector
		G9BC	G7G9	G7GC	G7GF	G7GI	G7GL	G7GR	G7K2
Change on quarter to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	1
	Jun	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-1
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-1	-	-1	-2	2	-	-1
2017	Mar	-	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-	-0.1	-	-	0.2
	Jun	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-0.2
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.6	-	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	-	-0.2
2017	Mar	-	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	1
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-1	-	-1	-2	2	-	-1
2017	Mar	-	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:									
2016	Mar	-	-	-	-	-0.1	-	-	0.2
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Dec	-	-0.7	-	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	-	-0.2
2017	Mar	-	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Office for National Statistics

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.

5R Public and private sector employment; Headcount - Revisions ^{1 2}

United Kingdom, seasonally adjusted

	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total employment (thousands)	Public sector excluding effects of major reclassifications		Private sector excluding effects of major reclassifications	
	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage		Headcount (thousands)	Percentage	Headcount (thousands)	Percentage
	G7AU	G9BZ	G7K5	G9C2	G7GO	MFY7	MFY9	MFZ2	MFY5
Change on quarter to:									
2016 Mar	-1	-	-9	-	-10	-2	-	-8	-
Jun	1	-	-	-	1	2	-	-1	-
Sep	-	-	3	-	3	-	-	3	-
Dec	-5	-	4	-	-1	-5	-	4	-
2017 Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on quarter to:									
2016 Mar	-	..	-	..	-0.1	-	..	-	..
Jun	-	..	-	..	0.1	-	..	-	..
Sep	-	..	-	..	-	-	..	-	..
Dec	-0.1	..	-	..	-	-0.1	..	0.1	..
2017 Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Change on year to:									
2016 Mar	-1	-	-3	-	-4	-2	-	-2	-
Jun	-	-	7	-	7	-	-	7	-
Sep	-	-	-4	-	-4	-	-	-4	-
Dec	-5	-	-2	-	-7	-5	-	-2	-
2017 Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
% change on year to:									
2016 Mar	-	..	-	..	-	-	..	-	..
Jun	-	..	0.1	..	-	-	..	-	..
Sep	-	..	-	..	-	-	..	-	..
Dec	-0.1	..	-	..	-	-0.1	..	-	..
2017 Mar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

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

¹ Rounded estimates have been used in this table to calculate the comparisons between periods.
² Annual figures relate to June quarter.