

JSA rate – 2.2% – March 2016 (4,300 people)

Fig 1: JSA Claimant Count & Rate April 2015 to March 2016								
	Dudley Borough		Black Country		West Midlands		England	
Date	Count	Rate (%)	Count	Rate (%)	Count	Rate (%)	Count	Rate (%)
March 2016	4,300	2.2	20,403	2.8	66,925	1.9	508,211	1.5
February 2016	4,351	2.3	20,709	2.9	67,525	1.9	520,088	1.5
January 2016	4,379	2.3	20,777	2.9	67,506	1.9	516,520	1.5
December 2015	4,261	2.2	19,964	2.8	64,353	1.8	495,925	1.4
November 2015	4,315	2.2	20,220	2.8	65,595	1.8	505,386	1.5
October 2015	4,289	2.2	20,520	2.9	67,975	1.9	522,351	1.5
September 2015	4,388	2.3	21,253	3.0	70,748	2.0	537,543	1.6
August 2015	4,508	2.3	21,788	3.0	73,294	2.1	551,048	1.6
July 2015	4,710	2.4	22,208	3.1	74,929	2.1	562,822	1.6
June 2015	4,811	2.5	22,642	3.2	76,691	2.2	573,096	1.7
May 2015	5,071	2.6	23,587	3.3	80,520	2.3	597,099	1.7
April 2015	5,530	2.9	24,838	3.5	84,851	2.4	624,743	1.8

Source: Office for National Statistics (through Nomis)

Fig 2 Claimant Count and Rate by Ward - March 2016								
Area	Male	Rate%	Female	Rate%	Total Mar 16	Rate% Mar 16	Rate% Feb 2016	Change from prev. mth
Amblecote	66	1.5	36	0.8	102	1.1	1.1	0.0
Belle Vale	108	2.5	75	1.7	183	2.1	2.0	+ 0.1
Brierley Hill	227	4.9	144	3.2	371	4.0	4.2	- 0.2
Brockmoor and Pensnett	156	4.0	97	2.4	253	3.2	3.3	- 0.1
Castle and Priory	175	4.2	112	2.5	287	3.3	3.4	- 0.1
Coseley East	146	3.8	93	2.4	239	3.1	3.2	- 0.1
Cradley and Wollescote	115	2.7	80	1.9	195	2.3	2.3	0.0
Gornal	107	2.8	58	1.5	165	2.1	2.3	- 0.2
Halesowen North	82	2.2	52	1.4	134	1.8	1.7	+ 0.1
Halesowen South	40	1.1	31	0.8	71	1.0	0.9	+ 0.1
Hayley Green and Cradley Sth	63	1.8	52	1.4	115	1.6	1.5	+ 0.1
Kingswinford North and Wall Hth	37	1.0	27	0.7	64	0.9	1.0	- 0.1
Kingswinford South	40	1.1	22	0.6	62	0.8	0.9	- 0.1
Lye and Stourbridge North	144	3.6	73	1.8	217	2.7	2.7	0.0
Netherton; Woodside & St And	206	4.2	100	2.1	306	3.2	3.4	- 0.2
Norton	44	1.3	25	0.7	69	1.0	1.1	- 0.1
Pedmore and Stourbridge East	56	1.6	35	1.0	91	1.3	1.2	+ 0.1
Quarry Bank and Dudley Wood	104	2.6	51	1.2	155	1.9	1.8	+ 0.1
Sedgley	77	2.2	31	0.9	108	1.5	1.5	0.0
St James's	216	4.5	107	2.4	323	3.5	3.5	0.0
St Thomas's	207	4.7	122	2.6	329	3.6	3.6	0.0
Upper Gornal and Woodsetton	135	3.3	78	1.8	213	2.5	2.5	0.0
Wollaston and S'bridge Town	116	2.8	41	1.1	157	2.0	2.1	- 0.1
Wordsley	57	1.5	34	0.9	91	1.2	1.2	0.0

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NB: From the September 2014 data, the claimant count series use 2011 Census output areas to create all geographies in line with the ONS geography policy.