

Private Sector Employment Indicator November 2013 - January 2014

Private Sector Employment
20.8 million
 people aged 16 and over were in private sector employment in Q4 2013

up 517,000 people since Q4 2012

60.3%

Public Sector Employment
4.4 million
 people aged 16 and over were in public sector employment in Q4 2013

down 174,000 people since Q4 2012

12.7%

Unemployment
1.9 million
 people aged 16 and over were out of work but seeking and available to work in Q4 2013

down 150,000 people since Q4 2012

5.6%

Inactivity
7.4 million
 people aged 16-64 were either not looking for work or not available to work in Q4 2013

down 3,000 people since Q4 2012

21.5%



58.4% 2008 56.7% 2009 57.3% 2010 57.4% 2011 59.1% 2012 60.2% 2013

The Private Sector Employment Indicator fell to its lowest level in 2009 before increasing to 57.3% in 2010. Since then, the Indicator has **grown** steadily to reach its highest level at 60.2% in Q4 2013. This is **higher** than the Q1 2008 level. The increases in the quarter can almost entirely be explained by the reclassification from the public sector to the private sector of Royal Mail plc.

