



The number of people making a claim application to Universal Credit

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Summary

Since the launch of Universal Credit within the pathfinder area of Ashton-u-Lyne in April 2013, up to Thursday 11th September 2014, a total of **26,140** people had made a claim application to Universal Credit.

This release is designed to meet requests for information about how many people are applying for Universal Credit as well as those going on to start Universal Credit.

It is intended, subject to final quality assurance checks, that this statistic will be incorporated within the monthly official statistics on Universal Credit (<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/universal-credit-statistics>)

Methodology

The number of people making a claim application has been derived from data from Universal Credit administrative systems.

It is important to note that not all claim applications will result in a person starting Universal Credit. There are a number of reasons why this may happen, for example, a person decides to withdraw their claim or they are ineligible to claim Universal Credit.

The period included begins in April 2013 when Universal Credit was launched in Ashton-u-Lyne to Thursday 11th September 2014. At this point, the following Jobcentre Plus offices were delivering Universal Credit:

Universal Credit Jobcentre Office and District by implementation date: 29th April 2013 to 11th September 2014

Jobcentre Office	Jobcentre District	Implementation Date
Ashton-Under-Lyne	Greater Manchester East and West	29 th April 2013
Wigan	Greater Manchester East and West	1 st July 2013
Warrington	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	29 th July 2013
Oldham	Greater Manchester East and West	29 th July 2013
Hammersmith	West London	28 th October 2013
Rugby	Mercia	25 th November 2013
Inverness	North of Scotland	25 th November 2013
Harrogate	North East Yorkshire and the Humber	24 th February 2014
Bath	Gloucestershire and West of England	24 th February 2014
Shotton	North and Mid Wales	7 th April 2014
Hyde	Greater Manchester East and West	23 rd June 2014
Stalybridge	Greater Manchester East and West	23 rd June 2014
Stretford	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	23 rd June 2014
Altrincham	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	23 rd June 2014
Southport	Merseyside	30 th June 2014
Crosby	Merseyside	30 th June 2014
Bootle	Merseyside	30 th June 2014
Bolton, Great Moor Street	Greater Manchester East and West	30 th June 2014
Bolton, Blackhorse Street	Greater Manchester East and West	30 th June 2014
Farnworth	Greater Manchester East and West	30 th June 2014
Birkenhead	Merseyside	7 th July 2014
Bromborough	Merseyside	7 th July 2014
Hoylake	Merseyside	7 th July 2014
Upton	Merseyside	7 th July 2014
Wallasey	Merseyside	7 th July 2014
Leyland	Cumbria and Lancashire	14 th July 2014
Preston	Cumbria and Lancashire	14 th July 2014
Bury	Greater Manchester East and West	14 th July 2014
Prestwich	Greater Manchester East and West	14 th July 2014
Eccles	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	21 st July 2014
Worsley	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	21 st July 2014
Huyton	Merseyside	21 st July 2014
Kirkby	Merseyside	21 st July 2014
St Helens	Merseyside	21 st July 2014
Newton-Le-Willows	Merseyside	21 st July 2014
Chester	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	28 th July 2014
Congleton	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	28 th July 2014
Crewe	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	28 th July 2014
Wilmslow	Greater Manchester Central and Cheshire	28 th July 2014

Results

The number of Universal Credit claim applications made is presented at two points – up to and including Thursday 14th August 2014, and up to and including Thursday 11th September 2014.

Cumulative claim applications made to:	
Thu 14 Aug 2014	21,410
Thu 11 Sep 2014	26,140

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