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Information request

Is it possible to get the exact count per month (or even rounded to the hundreds) of census jobs that were unfilled between those Oct 2010 and March 2011?

DWP response

The available information is shown in the following table:

Number of unfilled Census job vacancies between October 2010 and March 2011

Month	Number of unfilled Census job vacancies
Oct-10	-
Nov-10	32,700
Dec-10	32,600
Jan-11	19,900
Feb-11	9,800
Mar-11	200

Source: Jobcentre Plus Labour Market System.

Notes

1. Figures are rounded to the nearest 100. "-" denotes nil or negligible.
2. A large number of Census jobs were advertised via JCP in Autumn 2010. These have 'inflated' the unfilled vacancies count for occupational codes 7120-7129. It has taken a while for this bulk of vacancies to be filled or otherwise closed and thus the stock of unfilled vacancies for these occupations/order starts high and takes a few months to drop away - by March 2011 only 200 remain unfilled.
3. The Jobcentre Plus data does not cover the whole UK economy. Coverage relates to vacancies notified to Jobcentre Plus and as such represent a market share of vacancies throughout the whole economy. This proportion varies over time, according to the occupation of the vacancy and industry of the employer, and by local area. Comprehensive estimates of all job vacancies (not just those notified to

Jobcentre Plus) are available from the monthly ONS Vacancy Survey since April 2001, based on a sample of some 6,000 enterprises. However, the ONS survey is currently designed to provide national estimates only.

4. The number of unfilled Census job vacancies is taken on the last day of each month