

### How to measure unemployment

**Claimant Count:** Includes people who are eligible to claim the Job Seeker's Allowance (JSA).

*The data is seasonally adjusted to take into account predictable seasonal changes in the demand for labour.*

**Labour Force Survey:** Includes people who are without any kind of job but who have looked for work in the past month and are able to start work immediately.

*The Labour Force Survey uses the internationally agreed definition of unemployment and therefore allows more accurate cross-country comparisons of unemployment levels.*

### Definition:

***The unemployed are those people able, available and willing to work at the going wage but cannot find a job despite an active search for work.***

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