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GDP growth

GDP rose by 0.4 per cent in the second guarter of 2005.

Total output from the production industries fell by 0.4 per cent. Manufacturing fell by 0.7 per cent; this was partly offset by a rise of 1.4 per cent in mining and quarrying (including oil and gas extraction) and a rise of 1.1 per cent in electricity, gas and water supply.

Services rose by 0.6 per cent, compared with 0.7 per cent in the first quarter of 2005.

Distribution, hotels and restaurants rose by 0.5 per cent, with increases in retail, hotels and restaurants and wholesale.

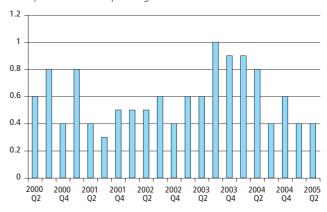
Transport and communication was flat in the second quarter of 2005. Increased output from water and air transport were offset by a fall in land transport.

Business services and finance rose by 0.8 per cent reflecting increased output from business services.

Government and other services rose by 0.7 per cent in the second quarter of 2005. There were contributions to growth

GDP

One quarter and four quarter growth



from the predominantly government categories (public administration, education and health) and the personal services categories (which include recreation).

Construction rose by 0.4 per cent in the second quarter.

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Retail Sales

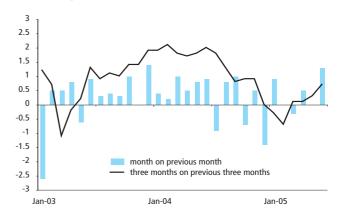
In June the underlying rate of growth in retail sales volumes was the highest so far this year. However, annual growth remained the lowest for more than six years.

The volume of retail sales in the three months April to June 2005 was 0.7 per cent higher than in the previous three months, the highest such growth since November 2004. This follows growth of 0.3 per cent in the three months to May and compares with growth of 2.0 per cent at the same time in 2004.

Three-monthly growth in sales volume for food stores was 0.2 per cent compared with 0.8 per cent for non-food stores. The non-store sector showed the highest three-monthly growth at 4.5 per cent, its highest since July 2004. Growth for clothing stores was 2.4 per cent, the same as it was in May. Sales by household goods stores were flat over the period and sales by non-specialised stores showed a decrease of 2.3 per cent, the largest fall since January 1991.

Compared with the same period a year ago, sales in the three months to June 2005 were up 1.6 per cent, the lowest annual growth since February 1999. At sector level the strongest three-monthly annual growth rates were for food stores at 2.5 per cent, clothing stores at 3.5 per cent and non-store retailing at 8.2 per cent. Annual growth for household goods stores

Growth (per cent)



was the lowest since January 1993, with a decrease of 0.1 per cent.

Analysis of monthly figures shows that the total sales volume grew by 1.3 per cent between May and June, the highest single month growth since December 2003. This follows zero growth last month and 0.5 per cent in April. According to retailers the growth in June was driven by some department stores moving summer sales from July to June, a pick-up in sales of summer fashions and strong sales of sportswear. The total volume of sales in June was 1.6 per cent higher than in June 2004.

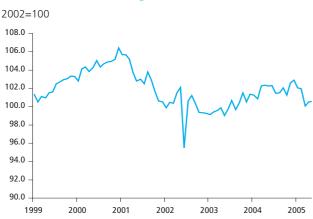
For the three months to June the unadjusted value of retail sales was 0.4 per cent higher than in the same period a year earlier, the lowest growth since comparable records began. Average weekly sales in June were £4.7 billion, 1.4 per cent higher than

a year ago. The largest falls in sales values over the year were for household goods stores and department stores, with decreases of 4.0 per cent and 1.7 per cent respectively. Sales values for food stores increased by 3.8 per cent over the year.

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Index of Production

Index of manufacturing



Manufacturing output decreased by 1.9 per cent in the three months to May compared with the three months to February. All thirteen subsectors within manufacturing showed decreases in output.

Within the widespread decreases, the most significant falls were in the paper, printing and publishing subsector where output decreased by 3.6 per cent; the transport equipment subsector where output decreased by 3.5 per cent; and the chemicals and man-made fibres subsector where output decreased by 2.1 per cent. There were no increases in output in the latest three-month period.

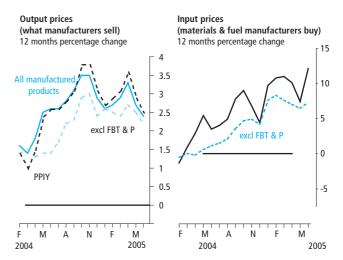
Overall production decreased by 1.3 per cent on a three-monthly basis. This combines the 1.9 per cent decrease in manufacturing output with energy supply, which increased by 1.2 per cent, and mining and quarrying output, which increased by 0.9 per cent with increases in both oil and gas extraction output.

Between April and May, manufacturing output remained broadly unchanged. Of the thirteen subsectors seven showed decreases in output, five showed increases and one was unchanged this month. The only significant increase occurred in the food, drink and tobacco subsector (1.6 per cent). There were no significant decreases in output between April and May.

The overall Index of Production increased by 0.1 per cent between April and May. Mining and quarrying output increased by 1.4 per cent, while energy supply output decreased by 1.1 per cent between April and May. The outputs of the electricity supply, gas supply and water supply industries all decreased between April and May.

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Producer Prices



In June, output price annual inflation for all manufactured products fell to 2.4 per cent from 2.7 per cent in May. Input price annual inflation rose from 7.4 per cent in May to 12.1 per cent in June.

Month on month, the output prices measure for all manufactured products fell 0.2 per cent on May. This mainly reflected price falls in other manufactured and alcohol products which were partially offset by a rise in petroleum product prices.

The "narrow" output prices measure, which leaves out volatile sectors, showed an annual increase of 2.2 per cent, compared with a rise of 2.5 per cent in the year to May. The seasonally adjusted prices measure remained unchanged between May and June, the best way of assessing month on month change.

Month on month, the input prices measure of UK manufacturers' materials and fuels rose 2.3 per cent. This mainly reflected price rises in crude oil and home produced food being slightly offset by a fall in imported chemicals and imported parts and equipment. In seasonally adjusted terms the index rose 2.1 per cent between May and June.

The "narrow" input prices measure rose 7.3 per cent in the year to June. In seasonally adjusted terms the index rose 0.6 per cent between May and June.

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Economic update August 2005

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Overview

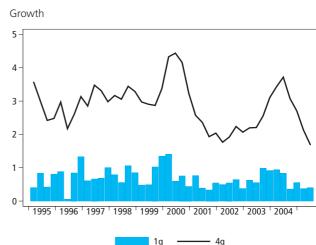
- The preliminary estimate for GDP growth in the second quarter of 2005 was 0.4 per cent, unchanged from the previous quarter.
- Industrial production fell at a lower rate than in 2005 quarter one. Construction output also saw a lower rate of growth. The service sector continued to lead economic growth but grew more slowly than in quarter one.
- Consumer spending rose by 0.1 per cent in the first quarter, slowing considerably from the previous quarter and from earlier in 2004. Retail sales had previously been rising faster than consumption but showed some signs of a slowdown in late 2004 and early 2005.
- Total fixed investment rose by 0.3 per cent in the first quarter, reversing the 0.2 per cent fall in the previous quarter.
- Government spending is currently adding to economic growth but public sector finances show a widening deficit.
- Buoyant labour market conditions are showing signs of softening. Employment and unemployment levels fell in the three months to May whilst the claimant count increased for the fifth month running. Average earnings growth, including and excluding bonuses fell.
- Producer output price inflation fell in June but producer input prices continued to rise sharply.
- Consumer price inflation increased in June and hit the Government's two per cent target.

GDP activity – overview

Preliminary figures for the second quarter of 2005 are now available in the UK and show activity unchanged over this period. The initial estimate of GDP growth in 2005 quarter two was 0.4 per cent, the same as in 2005 quarter one. The initial estimate for the annual rate of growth fell to 1.6 per cent from 1.9 per cent in the previous quarter. It should be remembered that this preliminary GDP release does contain a large element of estimation for certain sectors of the economy. The number will be firmed up later as more data becomes available (Figure 1).

At the time of writing this article, 2005 quarter two figures were not available for the major OECD countries. US GDP growth for the first quarter of 2005, recorded an expansion of 0.9 per cent, unchanged from the previous quarter. Strong growth in private investment continues to fuel growth as well as personal consumption. There was a narrowing in the trade deficit due to lower import growth. Manufacturing output continues to remain flat. Japan's output grew by 1.2 per cent in 2005 quarter one rebounding from the sluggish growth in the previous quarter. Healthy domestic demand was the main reason for the

Figure 1 **GDP**



resurgance in the growth rate. Growth also came from higher capital expenditure. However, there was a slight contraction in net exports, which is usually a driver of the economy.

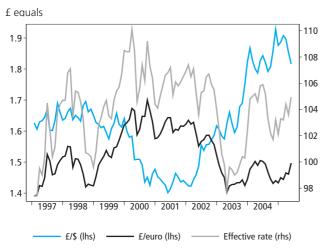
Growth in the three biggest mainland EU economies – France, Germany and Italy - shows a mixed picture. The German economy expanded at the quickest pace, by 1.0 per cent having contracted by 0.1 per cent in the previous quarter. This was the fastest growth for four years. The growth was mainly driven by net exports followed by a rebound in business invesment. However, consumer spending continues to remain weak. Industrial production rebounded in April after a fall in March. France GDP growth was 0.2 per cent, a weaker rate of growth compared to the 0.7 per cent rate in 2004 quarter four. A slowdown in consumer spending was the main factor for the decrease. This partly reflected a fall in exports and a rise in unemployment. Manufacturing output also showed contraction on the quarter. Italy GDP contracted by 0.5 per cent in 2005 quarter one, following contraction of 0.4 per cent in the previous quarter. Weaker industrial and agricultural output are the main reasons for the fall in Italian output.

Financial Market activity

The stock market was up 1.1 per cent in 2005 quarter two having risen by 4 per cent in the previous quarter. In the year to 2005 quarter two, the FTSE All- Share index gained around 12 per cent. Equity performance has been positive this year on the whole, although stock prices have been volatile. By the time this article was written the FTSE All-share index was at 2600.39 having increased by around seven per cent since the beginning of 2005 quarter one.

As for currency markets, 2005 quarter two saw sterling's average value depreciate by 1.7 per cent against the dollar while against the euro, sterling's value appreciated by almost 2.5 per cent. This has continued the trend from the previous quarter. Overall, the quarterly effective exchange rate rose by 0.9 per cent after being unchanged in the previous quarter. (Figure 2). At the time of writing this article the dollar/pound rate was 1.74 while the Euro rate was 1.44.

Figure 2 **Exchange rates**



The recent movements in the exchange rate might be linked to a number of factors. The appreciation against the Euro in the latest quarter continues to reflect weak demand in the Euro zone. The depreciation of sterling against the dollar partly reflects concerns about falling interest rates in the UK and partly due to the weakening UK economy. The recent hikes in interest rates in the US may have contributed to the rebound in the dollar, particularly as rates have been stable elsewhere. In the UK, interest rates were last raised in August 2004 by 0.25 per cent to stand at 4.75 per cent and have remained at that level since, but are still well above rates in the eurozone and in the US and are arguably at or close to a "neutral" level. However, they are still at a relatively low level compared to historical values.

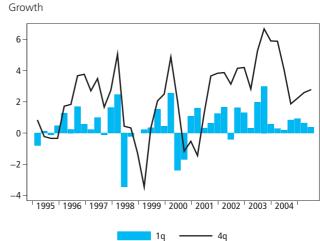
Output

GDP growth in 2005 quarter two is estimated to be 0.4 per cent, unchanged from the previous quarter. On an annual basis, it was 1.6 per cent, a slight deceleration from 1.9 per cent in 2005 quarter one. It is worth noting here that these preliminary estimates are based on partial information, which has to be augmented with a considerable amount of estimation to produce these initial numbers.

According to the preliminary figures the growth rate of 0.4 per cent in the UK economy was due to a combination of factors. Industrial production fell, but at a lower rate compared to 2005 quarter one. Agriculture, forestry and fishing increased sharply in 2005 quarter one following a marked fall in the previous quarter. This was offset by a lower rate of growth in construction and services. Service sector output however remains robust and continues to lead economic growth.

No actual late numbers are yet available at this stage for construction. Figures for construction output are derived from a quarterly survey, the results of which are still unavailable at the time of the initial GDP estimate for the quarter. This initial figure is a forecast calculated by the DTI using a variety of techniques. Using this methodology, construction is estimated to have grown by 0.4 per cent following 0.6 per cent growth in the previous quarter. (Figure 3). As for external surveys of construction, the CIPS survey signalled a marginal decline in

Figure 3 **Construction output**



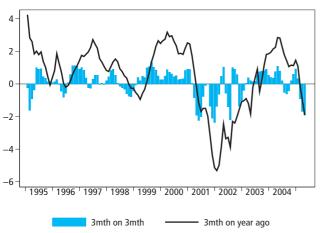
the rate of growth of the construction sector in the second quarter. This was due to decline in housing activity. This was offset by an increase in commercial activity. Business optimism also increased over the quarter. On a monthly basis, the headline index was 55.8 in June, up from 55.1 in the previous month. This was driven by the growth in new orders. The RICS construction survey shows a similar pattern to the CIPS survey. The RICS survey reports that construction workloads slowed for the second successive quarter in 2005 quarter two. However, there was a rebound in private housing activity. Infrastructure workloads showed the strongest growth with commercial work recording moderate growth. Surveyors were less optimistic in the outlook for activity and profits in the short-term.

Total output from the production industries fell by 0.4 per cent in 2005 quarter two, compared with a fall of 0.9 per cent in 2005 quarter one. Manufacturing fell by 0.7 per cent, compared to a 0.9 per cent decrease in 2005 quarter one (Figure 4) but this was offset by increases in mining & quarrying (including oil & gas extraction) which rose 0.9 per cent in the second quarter of 2005 following a 0.4 per cent decrease in the previous quarter and electricity, gas and water supply which increased by 1.0 per cent in contrast to a fall of 1.4 per cent in 2005 quarter one. It is worth noting that production growth in the mining and quarrying industries and electricity, gas and water supply industries has been volatile in recent quarters.

Figure 4

Manufacturing output

Growth



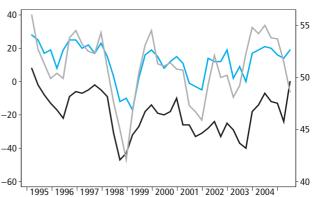
Industrial production contracted for the second successive quarter albeit by less than in quarter one. The slowdown in production might be explained by recent economic events as the increase in the oil price, and last year's interest rate rises, leading to a consumer slowdown and somewhat weaker global demand.

External surveys of manufacturing for 2005 quarter two (Figure 5) paint a weaker picture for growth than in the previous quarter. The gap between external surveys and official data has narrowed recently as the external surveys have become more pessimistic. It is worth noting that it is not unusual for the path of business indicators and official data to diverge over the short term. These differences

happen partly because the series are not measuring exactly the same thing. External surveys measure the direction rather than the magnitude of a change in output and often enquire into expectations rather than actual activity.

Figure 5 **External manufacturing**

Balances



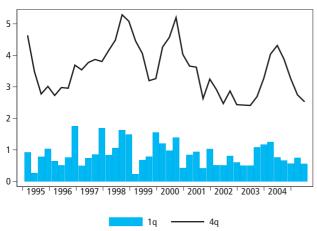
The CIPS headline index for manufacturing signalled a decrease in activity in 2005 quarter two. The headline index was 48.6. in 2005 quarter two compared to 51.5 in quarter one. Both the orders and the output indicators followed the same trend as the headline figure. The 2005 quarterly two BCC survey reports a mixed performance in the manufacturing sector. The survey reports that balances improved for home sales, but fell for home orders. Export sales balances fell, but export orders rose. However, confidence balances fell reflecting concerns about high interest rates. The latest CBI Industrial Trends Survey for 2005 quarter two report that manufacturers reported a fall in new orders for the third successive quarter, but the decline was more modest than in the previous quarter. The balance was minus seven compared to minus 18 in 2005 quarter one. Domestic demand weakened further but this was partly offset by an unexpected pick-up in export orders. Business optimism continued to fall, for the fourth consecutive quarterly survey.

Overall, the service sector, by far the largest part of the UK economy and the main driver of UK growth recently, continues to grow but at a more subdued rate – 0.6 per cent, compared with 0.7 per cent in the previous quarter. The main contribution to the growth rate came from distribution, hotels and catering which grew by 0.5 per cent in 2005 quarter two following a contraction of 0.1 per cent in the previous quarter. This was partially offset by a lower rate of growth in transport storage and communication of 0.8 per cent compared to 1.0 per cent in the previous quarter and government and other services which grew by 0.7 per cent compared to 0.8 per cent in 2005 quarter one. Growth in transport, storage and communication was flat, having recorded growth of 1.0 per cent in 2005 quarter one (Figure 6).

The Index of Distribution is a monthly series reporting the output of the distribution industries – which constitute approximately one-fifth of the total Index of Services. According to the latest release, the distribution of output in the three months to May decreased by 0.1 per cent compared

Figure 6 **Services output**

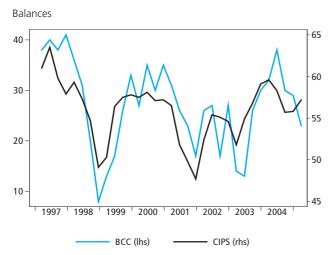
Growth



with a 0.3 per cent decrease in the three months to April. Motor trades decreased by 0.6 per cent due to a fall in the sale of motor vehicles. Wholesaling output also decreased, by 0.4 per cent. The most significant decreases were in clothing and footwear, wood and construction materials. This was offset by an increase in retail output of 0.3 per cent. The most significant rise was in non-food stores. However, there was a decrease in output from food stores.

The external surveys on services show a somewhat weaker picture of the service sector compared to 2005 quarter one. The CIPS Report on Services indicate a marginal weakening in the headline index in 2005 quarter two, mirroring the trend in official figures, but is still consistent with solid service sector growth. New orders growth was slightly below the quarter one average. However, business confidence remains robust. The CBI Survey of Services report that business volume growth slowed in 2005 quarter two. The slowdown was most pronounced for consumer services firms, although professional services also noted tougher conditions. The BCC report weaker but positive balances in its 2005 quarter two report. Balances declined for home orders and sales. Export orders and sales also declined. Confidence also fell (Figure 7).

Figure 7 **External services**

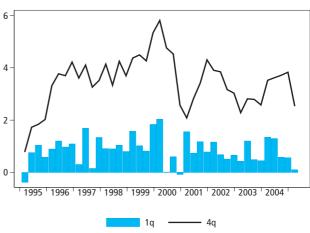


Household demand

In 2005 quarter one the growth rate decelerated significantly to 0.1 per cent from 0.6 per cent in 2004 quarter four (Figure 8).

Figure 8 **Household demand**

Growth



This slowdown can largely be attributed to lower spending on certain semi- durable goods which includes clothing and footwear. The weakness might be connected to the lagged effect of the three interest rises in the summer of 2004. Indeed reports indicate that saving has increased recently with inflow of funds into savings accounts being at their highest for a number of years. The savings ratio was 4.8 per cent in 2005 quarter one, up from 3.9 per cent in 2004 quarter four. In addition there is little evidence of a sustained recovery in the housing market during the first two quarters of 2005.

As household consumption has risen faster than disposable income in recent years the household sector has become a considerable net borrower. It is likely, that due to relatively high debt levels, consumer expenditure growth will be more tied to the growth of personal disposable income in the near future. Also, consumer fears about the possibility of higher taxes in order to plug the supposed hole in the public finances may also have been another factor behind the slowdown.

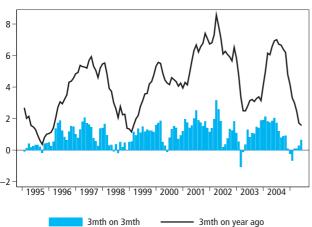
However, there are some factors that are supportive. The labour market is tight, although there are signs of softening according to the latest figures, which might generate moderate growth in wages and thus personal disposable income increases. Low unemployment ensures that consumers are not overly concerned about their long-term job prospects, and are therefore less cautious about purchases of big-ticket items. Also, the recovery in equity prices from the beginning of 2005 might be expected to have a positive effect. Finally, five members of the monetary policy committee (MPC) in voting to keep interest rates on hold in July noted that consumers no longer expected rates to rise should help to support consumer spending.

The GfK index recorded a fall in consumer confidence for the third month running in June. It fell by minus three from minus one in May. The latest Mori index also reports a decrease in confidence. Both indexes, however, remain higher than a year ago.

Retail sales figures are published on a monthly basis and the latest available figures are for June 2005. It should be noted that household consumption accounts for a much broader range of spending than just retail sales. For instance, household purchases of services, motor vehicles, and housing (imputed rents) are not included in retail sales. Since the beginning of 2003, retail sales have grown faster than household consumption as a whole, but this recent trend now appears to have reversed (Figure 9). During the final quarter of 2004 the evidence suggests that the growth in retail sales weakened and this seems to have continued in the first quarter of 2005. In 2005 quarter two there are some signs of a slight pick up. According to the latest figures, the volume of retail sales in the three months to June was 0.7 per cent, a rate higher than in the three months to May, when growth was 0.3 per cent. This was the highest such growth since November 2004. However, compared with the same period a year ago, sales in the three months to June was 1.6 per cent, the lowest annual growth since February 1999.

Figure 9 **Retail sales**

Growth



At a dis-aggregated level, the sales volume for food stores was 0.2 per cent compared with 0.8 per cent for non-food stores. The non-store sector showed the highest three-monthly growth at 4.5 per cent, its highest since July 2004. Growth for clothing stores was 2.4 per cent, the same as in May. Sales by household goods stores were flat over the period and sales by non-specialised stores showed a decrease of 2.3 per cent, the largest fall since January 1991.

External surveys show signs of growth slowing in recent months.

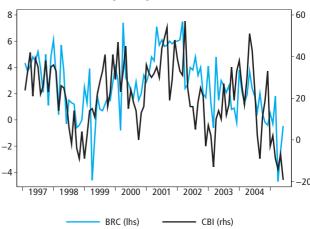
The CBI *Distributive Trades Survey* showed retail sales recording their biggest year-on-year fall in 22 years in June. The balance was minus 19 compared with minus 7 in May and minus 14 in April. The CBI attributes the slowdown to the effect of higher interest rates, the slowdown in the housing market and rising energy bills. Firms selling furniture and carpets, hardware and DIY products were all hard hit as a result of the sluggish housing market. Footwear and leather sales also fell sharply, and clothing sales remained weak. However, grocery sales volumes continued to increase strongly. It is worth noting that the CBI surveys 125 retailers accounting for about half the jobs on the high street whereas the ONS surveys

10,000 retailers, including on-line and mail order businesses.

The British Retail Consortium (BRC) report that like-for-like retail sales fell by 0.5 per cent in June compared with June 2004. This follows a decrease of 2.4 per cent in May 2005 when compared with May 2004. The BRC report that the slower rate of decline was due to June's fine weather which helped sales of summer lines, and numerous discounts. However, the underlying trend deteriorated further with sales down 2.4 per cent in the three months to June from a 1.5 per cent fall in May (Figure 10).

Figure 10 **External retailing**

Balances,3 month moving average

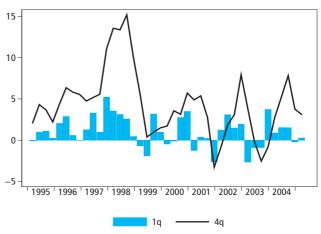


Business demand

The revised estimate of business investment for the first quarter of 2005 was 0.1 per cent higher than the previous quarter and 2.5 per cent higher than the first quarter of 2004. This represents an upward movement from the numbers reported previously (Figure 11).

Figure 11 **Total fixed business investment**

Growth



Looking at business investment on a more dis-aggregated level shows investment falling across most sectors on the quarter except services.

Investment in private sector services is the most important component representing around three quarters of total business investment. This increased by 1.9 per cent in the latest quarter, and is 3.8 per cent higher than in 2004 quarter one.

Manufacturing investment according to the revised figures shows a further deterioration. The contraction follows a promising upturn in 2004 quarter four. But this upturn seems to have been a short and shallow. The manufacturing sector accounts for a little over one tenth of total business investment. This has tended to be fairly volatile, but since 1999 manufacturing investment has undergone a persistent contraction. During 2004, however, manufacturing investment appeared to recover. In 2004 quarter four, investment in the sector grew by 6.1 per cent and by 2.5 per cent in 2004. However, according to the latest figures for 2005 quarter one, fixed investment by private and public sector manufacturing fell by 3.9 per cent compared with the previous quarter and was up 4.4 per cent since the first quarter of 2004. This could be indicative of the continued uncertainty faced by business in making investment decisions, given relatively weaker global demand, particularly in the euro-area and the recent weakness in consumer demand in the UK.

Construction and other production fell by 3.6 per cent on the quarter and by 3.3 per cent compared with the first quarter of 2004.

Despite the rise in spending over the last twelve months, the environment still remains a mixed one for investment. Low interest rates by historical standards might be one possible explanation accounting for the recent growth, meaning that the cost of capital is relatively cheap. Profitability though is likely to be an important factor determining investment.

High profitability is an indicator of high returns from investing in the capital stock and is likely to buoy business confidence. In addition, retained profits are a cheap source of investment funds, which will lower the cost of capital expenditures. Profitability can be defined as the net rate of return on capital employed. This is essentially the value of profits (allowing for depreciation) divided by the value of fixed assets (again allowing for depreciation) and inventories. The overall profitability of UK private non-financial corporations in the first quarter of 2005 was 13.3 per cent, the same as the average net rate of return for 2004. Manufacturing companies' net rate of return was estimated at 6.0 per cent in the first quarter. This is lower than the average of 6.9 per cent for 2004. The lower rate of return may be partly a reflection of weaker global demand, particularly from the eurozone for British manufactured goods and partly a result of the high cost pressures in terms of higher oil prices faced by manufacturers, and the willingness by them to absorb those costs. The profitability of service companies was 17.5 per cent, higher than the average for 2004 of 16.5 per cent. Generally, service sector profitability is higher than that of the manufacturing sector, reflecting the more capital- intensive nature of the manufacturing sector.

Evidence on investment intentions from the latest BCC and CBI surveys shows a not inconsistent picture. According to the quarterly BCC survey, the balance of manufacturing firms

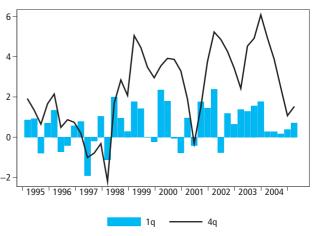
planning to increase investment in plant and machinery fell from plus 10 in 2005 quarter one to plus 9 in 2005 quarter two. Similarly, the CBI reports in its 2005 quarter two Industrial Survey that manufacturing investment remains relatively weak with businesses planning to cut investment in both plant and machinery, reflecting deteriorating confidence and uncertainty about future demand.

Government demand

Government final consumption expenditure rose by 0.7 per cent in the first quarter of 2005. This represents a higher pace of growth than in the fourth quarter of 2004 when output grew by 0.4 per cent (Figure 12). Growth compared with the same quarter ago was 1.5 per cent. The government continues to be an important source of aggregate demand in the economy.

Figure 12 **Government spending**

Growth



The latest figures on the public sector finances report up to June and show a deterioration from a year ago. The current budget was in deficit by £4.7 billion, this compares with a £3.5 billion deficit in June 2004. Public sector net borrowing was £5.9 billion compared with net borrowing of £4.4 billion in June 2004 - the highest total since 1993. These figures reflect lower tax revenues and higher general government spending. However, it is worth noting that monthly data can be volatile. The financial year to date may provide a better picture. In the financial year (April 2004 to June 2005) net borrowing presently stands at £17.0 billion compared to £13.3 billion to the same period in 2004/05. The current budget deficit stands at £13.1 billion compared to the £11.0 billion deficit in the same period of 2004/05. Since net borrowing became positive in 2002, following the current budget moving from surplus into deficit, net debt as a proportion of annual GDP has risen steadily.

At the end of 2001 public sector net debt was 30.2 per cent of GDP; by the end of June 2005, this had risen to 35.3 per cent of GDP.

Trade and the Balance of Payments

The publication of the quarterly Balance of Payments shows that the current account deficit widened in 2005 quarter one to £5.8 billion from a revised deficit of £4.1 billion in 2004 quarter four (Figure 13). As a proportion of GDP the deficit increased from 1.4 per cent to 2.0 per cent. The widening deficit is mainly accounted for by a lower surplus on investment income which rose by £8.0 billion in 2005 quarter one compared to £9.2 billion in the previous quarter and a higher deficit on current transfers which was £3.4 billion in 2005 quarter one compared to £2.9 billion in 2004 quarter four. The lower surplus in investment income is due to a strong rise in foreign earnings on holdings of UK equity and debt securities offsetting a growth in UK earnings from investments abroad. The deficit in current transfers is mainly due to higher net contributions to EU institutions, but also partly to aid transfers associated with the Asian Tsunami.

Figure 13 **Balance of Payments**

The run of current account deficits since 1998 reflects the sustained deterioration in the trade balance. The UK has traditionally run a surplus on the trade in services, but this has been overwhelmed by the growing deficit in trade in goods. The long run deterioration in the UK's trade deficit is possibly due to exports growing more slowly than world trade due to the high value of sterling and weak demand from Continental Europe, whilst imports have grown strongly due to high domestic spending.

According to the latest monthly trade figures, the UK's deficit on trade on goods and services is estimated to have improved to £3.5 billion in May from a revised deficit of £3.7 billion in April. In the three months ended May, the deficit on trade in goods and services improved to £10.4 billion, from a £10.6 billion deficit in the previous three months.

The improvement in the trade figures is partly due to a lower deficit in the trade in goods with non-EU countries. In the period March to May ,exports in volume terms (excluding oil & erratics) to EU countries was virtually flat but to non-EU countries was up 8.5 per cent compared to the period December to February. Imports from the EU was up 2 per cent and from the non-EU was up 3.5 per cent. Overall,

exports of goods were up 3.5 per cent and imports were up by 2.5 per cent.

In terms of commodity breakdown, for exports, among the main commodity groups, only fuels, food, beverages and tobacco and semi-manufactures showed a fall in volume, in the three months ended May 2005. For imports, only food, beverages and tobacco and finished manufactures showed a rise in volume.

External surveys on exports show weaker conditions for the second quarter of 2005. The quarter two BCC survey reports that the manufacturing sector's export performance worsened markedly, and service exports declined. According to the latest quarterly CBI *Industrial Trends Survey* export orders rose for the first time in 15 months in the 2005 quarter two survey.

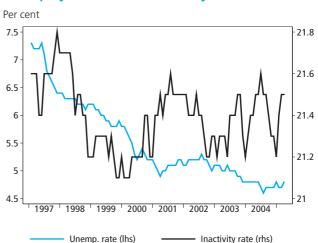
Labour Market

In recent years the strength of the UK economy has been clearly reflected in the labour market statistics. The latest figures from the Labour Force Survey (LFS) pertain to the three- month period up to May 2005 and show a mixed picture. Overall however, there appears to be signs of a softening in activity, with the growth rate for average wages, both excluding and including falling.

The current employment rate stands at 74.7 per cent, down 0.3 per cent from the previous three -month period. The number of people in employment fell by 72,000 over the quarter. The unemployment rate was unchanged on the previous quarter at 4.8 per cent. (Figure 14). The number of unemployed fell by 4,000 over the quarter. The working age inactivity rate rose by 0.3 per cent to stand at 21.5 per cent. The claimant count measures the number of people receiving the job-seekers allowance. The latest figures for June show that this measure increased by 8,800, the fifth monthly consecutive rise and the worst such run since December 1992. Claimant count unemployment has now risen by 13,400 this year to reach 864,900 thousand. It has shown an average monthly increase of 6,700 over the last six months. The claimant count rate was 2.8 per cent in June, virtually unchanged from the previous month and from a year earlier.

Figure 14

Unemployment and economically inactive



As job vacancies are often filled from the pool of inactive workers rather than the unemployed, the labour market might not be as tight as the current low unemployment rate implies. The economically inactive are those that are of working age but are either not looking for work or are not available for work. The main groups classed as economically inactive are those looking after the family or home, the long term sick, students and the retired.

Overall, inactivity increased in the three months to May 2005, continuing the trend from the three months to April but reversing the story earlier in the year where there was decreases in inactivity amongst most categories. The number of economically inactive people of working age was up 125,000 over the quarter to 7.91 million. Over the year the number increased by 64,000. Students registered the largest increase of 63,000 followed by those looking after the family/home on 49,000. Those on long-term sickness rose by 18,000. Inactivity amongst the retired increase by 2,000. This contrasts with a fall of 8,000 in the previous quarter.

According to the LFS, in the period March to May 2005, 72,000 jobs were lost. The majority of the job losses was in employee jobs, which were down by 55,000 followed by government supported training & employment programmes, which fell by 12,000. Self-employed jobs actually fell, by 5,000, continuing the trend of the previous quarter. Also, full-time jobs decreased by 96,000 over the period while part-time jobs increased by 41,000. These latest figures reverses a picture of steady growth in employee jobs since the beginning of 2004, whether this is a temporary blip remains to be seen. The numbers for the self-employed have been more volatile but previous quarter numbers suggest a downward trend.

The industry dis-aggregation from the survey of employers, 'workforce jobs' is available for the three months up to March 2005. Workforce jobs increased by 78,000 on the quarter and by 213,000 on the year. Figures show that finance & business services posted the biggest increase on the quarter of 44,000 followed by construction at 23,000. Education, health and public administration registered an increase of 18,000 reversing a decrease of 4,000, in the previous quarter. Manufacturing jobs continues to lose numbers, declining by 23,000 on the quarter and 86,000 on the year.

After steadily rising throughout most of 2004, headline average earnings growth stabilised at the beginning of 2005. However, the latest figures show a deceleration. Figures based on the average over a three- month period show that in the year to May 2005, average earnings excluding bonuses rose by 4.0 per cent, down from 4.1 per cent in the previous month. Average earnings, including bonuses was 4.1 per cent, down from 4.6 per cent in the previous month.

Wage growth in the public sector, excluding bonuses continues to outstrip that in the private sector. In May 2005, this widened further. Annual wage growth in May was 3.8 per cent in the private sector and 4.8 per cent in the public sector. When it comes to including bonuses, the latest figure shows the public sector out-stripping the private sector for the first time time in three months. This is a similar situation to much of 2004 where the public sector was out-stripping the private sector. The three

month average wage growth in May for the public sector was 5.6 per cent compared to 3.8 per cent in the private sector.

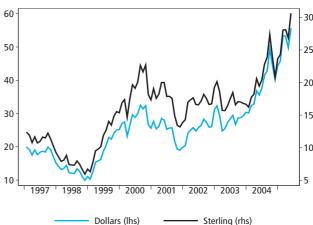
The evidence continues to imply that the tight labour market is failing to stoke inflation pressures in a major way. One possible explanation for this lies in the relatively strong productivity growth in the economy since the final quarter of 2003, although this weakened slightly in 2005 quarter one. Consequently, the growth in unit wage costs, which are based on the ratio of wages to productivity growth have been flat for the past year, despite the steady rise in average earnings. Another possible explanation could be due to the fact that the labour market is indeed softening and this is leading to lower wage growth.

Prices

The past year has seen rises in producer prices and the oil price. Throughout most of 2004 producer price inflation had been creeping upwards – due in large part to the rise in oil prices. (Figure 15).

Figure 15
Oil prices

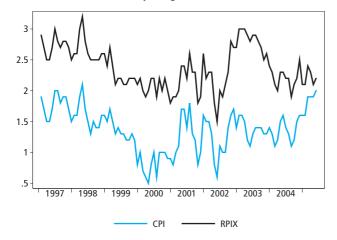
Brent crude per barrel



However, in the final three months of the year output price inflation began to fall and this continued into the early part of 2005, although it still remained at levels substantially above those at the beginning of 2004. The latest figures for June show producer output price inflation falling further . The producer price output index (PPI) increased by 2.4 per cent in the year to June, compared with a 2.7 per cent rise in the year to May, mainly reflecting falls in other manufactured and alcohol product prices, partially offset by a rise in petroleum product prices. The overall input index rose by 12.1 per cent in the year to June, compared with a rise of 7.4 per cent in the year to May. This is the largest rise since March 1985. The rise mainly reflected price rises in crude oil and home produced food being slightly offset by a fall in imported chemicals and imported parts and equipment. Crude oil prices rose 13.1 between May and June and rose 51.3 per cent in the year to June. This was the largest increase since October 2004. The lower producer prices may be an indication that producers are more willing to absorb the price increases rather than pass them on to customers given relatively weak consumer demand.

Growth in the consumer price index (CPI) – the governments target measure of inflation – rose to 2.0 per cent in June, from 1.9 per cent in may, hitting the Chancellor's 2.0 per cent target (Figure 16). A large upward effect came from food, continuing a trend seen for most of 2005, with prices rising this year, but falling a year ago. The main contributions came from fruit and meat. A further large upward effect came from clothing and footwear, with prices falling by less than last year when special offers were more widespread. The largest downward effect came from recreation and culture, particularly from audio visual goods as prices for a range of products fell this year but rose a year ago. Cheaper package holidays also contributed to the downward effect. The RPI inflation rate was 2.9 per cent in June, unchanged from May. The RPIX inflation rose to 2.2 per cent in June from 2.1 per cent in May.

Figure 16
Inflation
Growth, month on month a year ago



Forecasts for the UK economy

A comparison of independent forecasts, July 2005

The tables below are extracted from HM Treasury's Forecasts for the UK Economy and summarise the average and range of independent forecasts for 2005 and 2006, updated monthly.

Independent foreca	asts for 200	5	
	Average	Lowest	Highest
GDP growth (per cent)	2.2	1.3	2.9
Inflation rate (Q4 per cent) CPI RPI	2.0 2.5	1.4 1.8	3.1 3.6
Unemployment (Q4, million)	0.87	0.81	1.01
Current account (£ billion)	-25.9	-37.1	-19.5
Public Sector Net Borrowing (2004–05, £ billion)	37.6	33.0	43.6

Independent fored	asts for 20	06	
	Average	Lowest	Highest
GDP growth (per cent)	2.3	-0.1	3.1
Inflation rate (Q4 per cent) CPI RPI	1.9 2.5	1.5 1.0	3.3 3.9
Unemployment (Q4, million)	0.91	0.78	1.25
Current account (£ billion)	-27.0	-38.0	-15.0
Public Sector Net Borrowing (2005–06, £ billion)	37.2	26.0	48.6

NOTE Forecasts for the UK Economy gives more detailed forecasts, covering 27 variables and is published monthly by HM Treasury, available on annual subscription, price £75. Subscription enquiries should be addressed to Claire Coast-Smith, Public Enquiry Unit 2/S2, HM Treasury, 1 Horse Guards Road, London, SW1A 2HQ (Tel 020 7270 4558). It is also available at the Treasury's internet site: http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk under 'Economic Data and Tools'.

^{*}PSNB: Public Sector Net Borrowing.

Regional economic indicators August 2005

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Overview

- London and the South East are the most productive regions, in terms of GVA per hours worked, and the only regions above the UK average in terms of productivity.
- London is the region with the highest GDHI per head, followed by the South East and the East of England. The regions with the lowest GDHI per head are Northern Ireland and the North East.
- The South East has the highest total expenditure in R&D followed by the East of England.
- The South East and the North West were the regions with the biggest net increase in the numbers of registered businesses in 2003.
- Yorkshire and the Humber had the largest increase in exports to both the EU and non EU in 2005 quarter one.
- Employment increased in most regions in 2005 quarter one. The claimant count shows an increase in most regions in 2005 quarter two.
- Manufacturing optimism falls for the third successive quarter according to the CBI regional survey.

This article brings together information for the 12 regions and countries of the United Kingdom, also known as NUTS level 1 regions under the European Nomenclature of Units for Territorial Statistics. For the rest of this article, the term "region" is used for convenience.

Headline Indicators

This section presents a selection of regional economic indicators that provide an overview of the economic situation of UK regions. Some productivity indicators which represent the economic activity of the regions are presented (Workplace Based Nominal Gross Value Added (GVA), GVA per head and GVA per hour worked), and other indicators representing some of the drivers of productivity are introduced for the first time. In particular, we introduce Business Survival Rate as an indicator of enterprise and the UK Regional trade in goods as an indicator of competition, as defined by HMT and DTI. In addition, we introduce R&D statistics as indicator of innovation in the regions. The Gross Disposable Household Income is presented as an indicator of the welfare of people living in the region.

Productivity

Table 1 and Table 2 show workplace based nominal gross value added (GVA) and GVA per head respectively for the UK regions. The GVA estimates presented here are on a workplace basis. Regional GVA can be calculated both on a residence and a workplace basis: residence-based GVA allocates the income of commuters to where they live, whereas GVA on a workplace basis allocates their income to the regions where they work.¹ Conceptually, the workplace based figures provide the preferred measure of the regional economic activity.

Nominal workplace-based GVA for the UK regions is reported in Table 1. Most regions experienced growth between 2002 and 2003 of between 5 and 6 per cent in current price terms(which does not take account of inflation or regional differences in prices). However, London had the lowest rate of nominal GVA growth, at 2.4 per cent. The East Midlands had the highest growth in total GVA (6.3 per cent) between 2002 and 2003, followed by Wales and Northern Ireland (6 per cent). London and the South East remain the regions with the largest share of UK GVA (18.3 per cent and

14.9 per cent respectively) while Northern Ireland (2.3 per cent) and the North East (3.4 per cent) have the smallest.

Among UK regions there is a wide variation in size, which makes it difficult to compare the regions' economic performance using cash totals: comparisons are therefore usually expressed in terms of GVA per head of population (Table 2). UK average GVA per head in 2003 was £15,980. London was the region with the highest GVA per head in 2003 at £23,579, well above the UK average. However, the GVA per head for London includes the activity of commuters as well as people living in the London region but these commuters are not included in the denominator, since this is residence-based. GVA per head for the South East was also above the UK average, at £17,565 per head. On the other hand, Wales, the North East and Northern Ireland had the lowest GVA per head, of £12,629, £12,736 and £12,971 respectively.

Table 3 shows the **GVA per hour worked** indices by region. Regional output per hour worked is the ratio of workplace based Gross Value Added estimates and Total Workforce Hours Worked. This index is considered to be a more appropriate indicator of regional productivity, since the numerator and denominator are both on a workplace basis, and it takes into account the proportion of full time and part time workers in each region, which can vary by region. According to Table 3 the most productive regions in terms of GVA per hour worked in 2003 were London and the South East and they are also the only regions with productivity above the UK average. All other regions are below the UK average, with Northern Ireland and Wales having the lowest values, of 84.3 and 91.9 per cent of the UK level respectively.

Welfare

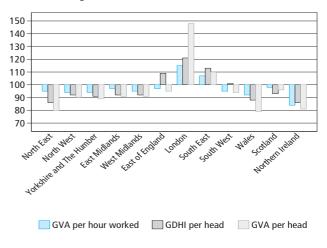
Table 4 contains the recently published data for **Gross Disposable Household Income (GDHI) per head.** GDHI per head is a residence based measure that can be used as an indicator of the welfare of people living in a region. From the figures shown in Table 4 London is the region with the highest GDHI per head (£15,235), followed by the South East (£14,265) and the East of England (£13,685). The South West, at £12,704, is also above the UK average of £12,610. The regions with the lowest GDHI per head are Northern Ireland and the North East.

It is worthwhile noting that there are some differences in the ranking of regions depending on whether the ranking is based on Productivity or Gross Disposable Household Income (see Figure 1). London and the South East are the highest ranking regions on both measures. In contrast, the North East has the lowest average income level of any UK region in 2003, at 15 per cent below the UK average, whereas the region's GVA per hour worked is just 5 per cent below the UK average, putting it in the middle of the overall regional ranking. The difference between the two indicators may be due to the relatively lower average earnings in the North East. Table 5 shows that the North East has the lowest median gross weekly pay in the country, which could have an upward effect on productivity and a downward effect on incomes. This is also consistent with the North East having the highest rate of unemployment claimant count as a percentage of the total workforce (Table 12). It is also noteworthy that the East of England and the

South West, which are above the UK average for GDHI per head in 2003, are below the UK average in terms of GVA per hour worked (97.1 and 95.4 respectively).

Figure 1 Indicators comparisons, 2003

UK less extra-regio = 100



Innovation

The R&D statistics published here are consistent with OECD's Frascati Manual which defines Research and Experimental Development (R&D). R&D is defined as "creative work undertaken systematically to increase the stock of knowledge, including knowledge of man, culture and society, and the use of this knowledge to devise new applications".

R&D activity has been recognised, as part of the innovation process, as one of the drivers of productivity. In generating new technological inventions, innovation is a necessary, though not a sufficient condition for economic success. In addition, the presence of R&D activity can be a stimulant to the competitiveness of firms within a region.

Table 6 presents the estimated expenditure in R&D for the regions, in the years from 1999 to 2003, and broken down by the sector making the expenditure, namely Business sector (BERD), Government (GovERD) and Higher Education Institutions (HERD). The Higher Education Institutions (HEI) regional R&D estimates are obtained by allocating total R&D performed by HEIs to individual HEIs in proportion to their income from research grants and contracts. These estimates are less reliable and should be treated with caution².

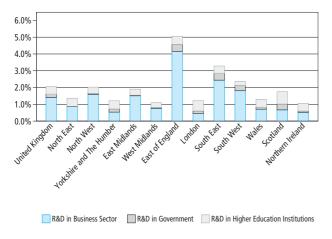
From the data shown in Table 6 we can see that the region with the highest total expenditure in Business and Government R&D in 2003 is the South East, followed by the East of England. In terms of total expenditure in R&D, the South East is still the region with the highest share of UK in 2003 (23 per cent), followed by the East of England (21 per cent). London is third with 11 per cent of the total expenditure in R&D. The regions with the smallest percentage of UK R&D in 2003 are Northern Ireland, Wales and the North East.

The picture changes slightly if the expenditure in R&D is analysed as a percentage of GVA, a measure which is

commonly used in international comparisons and that can be used also for inter-regional comparisons. Figure 2 below shows the data for regional R&D as percentage of GVA for 2003. From the chart, we can see the region with the highest share of R&D expenditure in terms of GVA is the East of England, followed by the South East and the South West. These regions are the only regions with an R&D expenditure share of GVA above the UK average of 2 per cent of GVA. All the other regions are below the UK average.

Figure 2 Research and development

Percentage of GVA (2003)



Enterprise

Table 7 shows the **net changes in VAT**³ **registered businesses** for UK GOR regions in the years 1999 to 2003. The data for 2004 are expected to be available in Autumn 2005. This series is computed by SBS (Small Business Service, DTI), and it has recently been reviewed, in order to produce the best estimate of the final volume of registrations and de-registrations, according to the data available from the Inter departmental Business Register (IDBR) every year. For further information about the methodology involved in the computation of the series, see article on the SBS website⁴.

VAT registrations and de-registrations are the best official guide to the pattern of business start-ups and closures. They are an indicator of the level of entrepreneurship and of the health of the business population. Many factors influence the pattern of business start-ups. Among these, the most important is economic growth, which encourages new ventures and create demand for business.

The data show that all regions apart from Northern Ireland had a positive net change in 2003. The South East and the North West are the regions with the biggest net increase in numbers of registered businesses in 2003, followed by London and Yorkshire and the Humber.

If the net change in percentage terms is considered, however, the region with the largest net increase is London (15.9 per cent), which reversed a negative trend from previous years, while the South East shows a downward trend since 1999 that continued in 2003. The regions with positive growth in the net change of VAT registrations in 2003 are Yorkshire and the

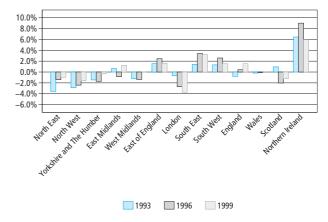
Humber, the North West, the North East and Scotland. The figures for East Midlands hardly changed from the previous year figures while the rest of the regions had de-registrations outnumbering the registrations.

It is interesting to note how different the picture is if the **business survival rates** is taken into consideration. These rates show the proportion of businesses that remain registered for VAT three years after their initial registration (which is the year shown in Table 8 and Figure 3)⁵. Although there has been a general increase in business survival rates since 1993, these rates vary greatly between regions. Northern Ireland, which appears as the only region with a negative net change in VAT registrations, shows the highest survival rate (72.4 per cent) in 2002 while London has the lowest survival rate (62.8 per cent). The negative net change of VAT registration in Northern Ireland is explained by a low start up rate, which may suggest the existence of a risk-averse culture (see article "Business Survival Rates", Small Business Service). This may justify why, when few people are taking risks, there is a self selection of the businesses with highest possibility of surviving. This is consistent with the figures shown in Table 8.

Figure 3

Three year business survival rates

Percentage point differences from respective UK proportions



Competition

Table 9 shows quarterly data for **UK Regional trade in goods by statistical value** per region. Data are taken primarily from Customs systems used to process the UK's Overseas Trade in Goods Statistics. HM Revenue and Customs do not receive information in respect of goods that move wholly within the UK, nor in intangibles and services such as banking or tourism.

Trade is allocated to a region by the postcode associated with a company's VAT registration. Some adjustments have been necessary for exports, to ensure that manufacturing that takes place at branch premises is properly allocated to the region where the branch is situated. However, these figures should be interpreted carefully for various reasons. In particular, it is worth noting that the production of some goods may involve different stages and these stages may take place across different regions.

Comparing the first quarters of 2004 and 2005 (these data are provisional), Yorkshire and the Humber appears to be the region with the highest increase in exports, both to EU15 countries (14 per cent) and to non EU15 (21 per cent). Scotland had the largest decrease of exports to EU15 (–14 per cent) but it has increased exports towards non EU15 of almost 10 per cent, increasing the overall value of exports. A final note: London's exports to EU15 decreased by over one per cent with respect to the first quarter of 2004 whilst its exports towards non EU15 increased by 11 per cent.

Table 10 shows the **value**⁶ **of exports as a percentage of headline regional GVA.** The North East and the East Midlands have the biggest share of GVA in exports in 2003 (25 per cent and 23 per cent respectively) and, together with the East of England, the South East and Wales, they are above UK average share. South West and the Yorkshire and the Humber have the smallest percentage of their GVA in exports.

The Labour Market

Tables 11 to 14 concern the labour market. Tables 11, 12 and 13 are seasonally adjusted; while table 14 is unadjusted.

Table 11 shows the rate of unemployment (according to the internationally consistent ILO definition). The UK rate in 2005 quarter one was 4.7 per cent, unchanged from the previous quarter. Unemployment tends to vary significantly across the country. The rate in quarter one was highest in London, at 6.7 per cent, followed by the North East at 5.5 per cent. The rate decreased in both these regions in 2005 quarter one from 2004 quarter four, by 0.6 percentage points and 0.8 percentage points respectively. The unemployment rate also decreased in Yorkshire and the Humber to 4.2 per cent, from 4.7 per cent in quarter four. Decreases were also recorded in the West Midlands, and Scotland but at a lower rate. The unemployment rate increased in some regions with the highest growth rate being in Wales where the rate was 4.5 per cent, up 0.3 percentage points from the previous quarter. This was followed by the North West, East Midlands, the South East and South West and Northern Ireland, each recording a rise of 0.2 percentage points. Overall, the unemployment rate has fallen or at worst been stable in most regions since the beginning of 2003. However, there was a pick up in the rate across most regions in 2004 quarter four, which then stabilised in 2005 quarter one.

The UK claimant count rate (referring to people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance benefits), table 12, was 2.8 per cent of the workforce in the UK in June 2005, up from 2.7 per cent in the previous month. This national rate masks large variations between regions and component countries of the UK. The North East continues to have the highest claimant count in the UK and as of June 2005 stood at 4.0 per cent. This region has had the highest count in every year since 1999. The North East is followed closely by the West Midlands and London, both at 3.5 per cent. The South East and the South West had the lowest claimant counts, of 1.7 and 1.6 per cent respectively. The general picture has been one of stability thoughout 2004 and this has continued in the first two quarters of 2005.

Quarterly employment growth (from the Labour Force Survey), Table 13, in the UK was 0.3 per cent overall, in

2005 quarter one, unchanged from the previous quarter. Employment rose across most English regions as well as in Scotland but fell in Wales and Northern Ireland. The English regions where growth was most rapid were the North East and London, where employment in quarter one expanded by 1.4 per cent for both. Employment also rose in the East Midlands, the East and the South West, each recording a growth rate of 0.4 per cent. The only English region to record a fall in employment was the North West where employment fell by 0.5 per cent following growth of 0.9 per cent in 2004 quarter four. As for the other UK countries, employment grew by 0.2 per cent in Scotland, unchanged from the previous quarter. Wales employment decreased by 0.7 per cent, reversing growth of 1.7 per cent in the previous quarter. Northern Ireland employment fell by 0.1 per cent following growth of 3.3 per cent in 2004 quarter four.

The **number of employee jobs** (from the Employers Surveys), Table 14, decreased in virtually every region with the exception of the North East. In the English regions, the largest decrease was in the West Midlands at 1.4 per cent followed by the East at 1.2 per cent and the South East at 0.8 per cent. Amongst the devolved administrations Wales showed a decrease of 1.0 per cent, followed by Scotland at 0.5 per cent and Northern Ireland at 0.2 per cent. This follows increases for all devolved regions in the previous quarter. Overall, employee jobs decreased by 0.6 per cent in the UK following growth of 1.0 in 2004 quarter four. It should be noted that this survey does not take into account the self employed.

CBI Manufacturing Survey

Almost all CBI data is presented on the basis of government office regions, although London and the South East are combined. Business conditions as measured by the April survey general business optimism at the national level showed a negative balance for the third successive quarter, although there was a slight improvement in this balance from minus 22 in January to minus 15 in April. The continued weakness in business confidence is attributed partly to weak global demand, particularly from the eurozone and partly to slowing consumer demand in the UK.

Table 15 shows that businesses in most regions were substantially **less optimistic about the business situation** in the April 2005 survey than in the January and October 2004 surveys. Northern Ireland, the East Midlands and the North West reported the most significant deterioration in confidence. The East, Wales and Scotland are the only regions to show positive balances.

UK manufacturing output, as measured by CBI/BSL balances for **volume of output** in Table 16 show a decline in the April survey following positive balances for the previous three surveys . Northern Ireland and the West Midlands show the sharpest falls in output followed by the North West. The North East, the South West, Wales and Scotland are the only regions to report positive balances. For the next three months, most regions report a more positive outlook.

New orders in the manufacturing sector in the UK as a whole in the three months to April according to the CBI/BSL survey in Table 17 show a marked fall. The regions experiencing

the largest negative balances in new orders were as in the previous survey, Northern Ireland, London and the South East, the North West and the North East, the South West and the West Midlands. Wales, the East and the East Midlands show negative balances following positive ones in the previous quarter. Scotland order levels remained virtually unchanged. The only regions to show positive balances were Yorkshire and the Humber and Scotland. Expectations for orders over the next three months show a slight improvement at the national level. Scotland, Yorkshire and the Humber, Wales and the South West are the only regions to show positive expectations.

The balance for UK **export orders** in the January CBI/BSL survey in Table 18 shows a further sharp fall from the January survey. Export orders in the three months to April show negative balances in most regions except the North East, Yorkshire and the Humber and the East Midlands. Northern Ireland and the West Midlands show the largest negative balances. The outlook for export orders over the next three months is still negative at the national level but within the UK there are variations with Scotland, Wales, the East Midlands, Yorkshire and the Humber and the North East expecting orders to grow. Northern Ireland has the largest negative balance followed by the West Midlands.

The indicator for **firms working below capacity** in Table 19 shows a slight rise for the UK as a whole in the April survey to 60 from 59 in January. The largest increase was in Northern Ireland which together with the North East show the highest proportion of firms working below capacity. This is followed by the South East and London and East of England. In Scotland and Wales, the proportion of firms operating below capacity is well below the UK average.

NOTES

As a result of introducing new tables, comments and data on previous tables on redundancies, index of production and construction, house dwelling starts and house prices will no longer be provided. However data can be found on the following websites:

Redundancies - http://nswebcopy/downloads/theme_labour/LFS_Redundancy_Tables.xls

UK production and construction - in the GDP release; http://nswebcopy/pdfdir/oie0505.pdf

Wales production and construcion - http://www.statswal es.wales.gov.uk/intro_eng/index.htm

Scotland production and construction - http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/15572/8894

NI production and construction - http://www.detini.gov.uk/cgi-bin/gethome

UK house prices - http://odpm.gov.uk/stellent/groups/odpm_housing (table 591)

Scotland dwelling starts - http://www.scotland.gov.uk

Wales housing starts - http://www.wales.gov.uk

NI housing starts - http://www.dsdni.gov.uk

England house dwelling starts - http://odpm.gov.uk/stellent/groups/odpm_housing (table 217)

- 1. For further discussion of the workplace and residence measures of GVA, see *Economic Trends* article "Regional Gross Value Added" published 16 March 2005.
- 2. See article "Research and experimental development (R&D) statistics 2002" in *Economic Trends*, September 2004.
- 3. Value Added Tax
- 4. http://www.sbs.gov.uk/content/analytical/statistics/vatmethodology03.pdf
- 5. Business have a higher chance of de-registering during the first three years than at any other time. This is why the three years survival rate is a good indication of firms' ability to survive in business.
- 6. The statistical value of trade in goods is computed on the same common basis as the other EU member countries. This basis is the value of the goods plus the cost of movement to the border of the country that publishes the statistics i.e. the cost, insurance and freight (CIF) delivery terms value for Arrivals (imports); the Free on Board (FOB) delivery terms value for Dispatches (exports). The value of the trade under this common basis is called the 'statistical value'.

Source: National Statistics

Source: National Statistics

Headline workplace based Gross value added 1,2 at basic prices NUTS 1 regions

£ million

	United Kingdom ³	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
1990	IGAE	IFZR	IFZS	IFZT	IFZU	IFZV	IGLF	IGLG	IGLH	IFZZ	IGAA	IGAB	IGAC	IGAD
	491 410	18 631	53 637	38 262	32 766	41 546	42 120	87 685	65 588	37 219	417 455	20 698	42 986	10 272
1997	704 744	25 253	73 555	53 783	46 833	59 245	61 254	125 215	99 698	54 394	599 231	28 395	60 898	16 220
1998	748 872	26 219	77 291	56 438	48 950	62 361	65 177	136 600	108 036	57 730	638 802	29 475	63 344	17 251
1999	782 682	26 959	80 317	58 256	50 712	64 558	68 114	144 642	114 750	60 547	668 857	30 418	65 340	18 067
2000	816 549	27 910	83 270	60 457	52 638	67 009	71 261	151 519	120 866	63 439	698 369	31 595	67 670	18 915
2001	859 795	29 287	87 720	63 804	55 414	70 153	75 032	159 576	127 971	67 276	736 233	33 294	70 440	19 828
2002	906 000	30 655	92 251	67 447	58 048	73 215	78 692	170 036	134 800	70 964	776 107	34 997	74 058	20 838
2003 ⁴	951 692	32 340	97 618	71 245	61 681	77 343	83 043	174 201	141 928	75 177	814 575	37 103	77 929	22 085

1 Based on the European System of Accounts 1995 (ESA95).

2 Data are consistent with the headline series published on 22 December 2004

3 UK less Extra-Regio and statistical discrepancy.

4 Provisional

Headline workplace based Gross value added 1,2 at basic prices: £ per head NUTS 1 regions

£

	United Kingdom ³	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
1990	IGAV	IGAI	IGAJ	IGAK	IGAL	IGAM	IGLI	IGLJ	IGLK	IGAQ	IGAR	IGAS	IGAT	IGAU
	8 585	7 209	7 854	7 775	8 206	7 962	8 278	12 897	8 632	7 973	8 752	7 233	8 460	6 438
1997	12 085	9 834	10 826	10 849	11 366	11 258	11 630	17 850	12 695	11 268	12 313	9 809	11 980	9 705
1998	12 807	10 238	11 379	11 384	11 845	11 830	12 293	19 333	13 695	11 904	13 085	10 166	12 476	10 282
1999	13 337	10 571	11 858	11 754	12 213	12 246	12 759	20 219	14 425	12 405	13 641	10 487	12 883	10 761
2000	13 867	10 974	12 292	12 192	12 629	12 716	13 258	20 937	15 126	12 902	14 185	10 869	13 366	11 239
2001	14 545	11 530	12 952	12 821	13 226	13 285	13 894	21 793	15 950	13 609	14 889	11 440	13 909	11 737
2002	15 273	12 078	13 599	13 508	13 746	13 803	14 512	23 068	16 758	14 286	15 633	11 971	14 651	12 282
2003 ⁴	15 980	12 736	14 346	14 222	14 505	14 538	15 201	23 579	17 565	15 038	16 339	12 629	15 409	12 971

1 Based on the European System of Accounts 1995 (ESA95).

2 Data are consistent with the headline series published on 22 December 2004

3 UK less Extra-Regio and statistical discrepancy.

4 Provisional

Gross value added (GVA) per hour worked indices¹ by region NUTS 1 regions

	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
	DMOB	DMOH	DMOK	DMOL	DMON	DMOO	DMOR	DMOS	DMOT	DMOV	DMOW	DMOY	DMWA
1996	100.9	96.9	94.4	99.4	92.0	98.7	120.3	99.9	90.2	100.6	94.1	101.7	86.6
1997	97.7	97.8	94.6	97.1	92.3	98.6	121.5	99.1	90.0	100.6	94.7	101.7	85.0
1998	96.3	96.8	93.5	96.0	91.4	100.6	120.2	102.3	90.8	100.8	93.3	99.9	86.0
1999	97.7	95.5	94.5	94.8	93.8	98.6	117.8	104.1	93.2	100.9	93.6	99.4	85.0
2000	96.4	95.4	94.6	95.4	93.6	98.5	118.5	104.7	95.2	101.0	93.8	98.6	84.2
2001	99.3	95.5	96.4	96.6	94.6	97.5	116.5	104.7	93.5	101.1	92.8	96.8	86.2
2002	95.8	94.3	94.6	96.0	93.4	98.1	118.7	103.7	93.4	101.1	92.6	97.2	85.5
2003	95.1	94.4	93.7	96.9	94.6	97.1	115.4	106.5	95.4	101.1	91.9	98.1	84.3

1 UK=100 Source: National Statistics

Gross disposable household income (GDHI)¹:£ per head NUTS 1 regions

£ Yorkshire United East West and the South South Kingdom² East West Humber Midlands Midlands East London East West England Wales Scotland Ireland LRCH 8 910 9 136 9 555 10 207 DEQE 11 658 12 058 12 725 13 601 LRCJ 10 893 11 225 11 752 12 564 DEQJ 8 490 8 661 9 056 9 737 10 435 DEQK 9 059 9 228 9 592 10 268 10 970 LRCG 8 419 8 580 DEQC 8 928 9 147 DEQH 8 839 9 058 LRCI 10 267 10 531 DEQG 9 716 9 973 LREV 9 881 10 160 DEQL 8 277 8 450 DEPZ DEQB DEQB 8 901 9 151 9 519 10 163 10 791 1997 1998 9 643 9 902 1999 2000 2001 10 366 11 097 8 918 9 504 9 522 10 195 10 919 9 484 10 169 10 862 11 048 11 876 10 443 11 159 11 947 10 649 11 404 12 198 8 805 9 424 10 062 13 460 11 865 10 112 10 879 12 813 14 484 2002 2003³ 10 401 10 809 12 184 12 610 10 414 10 787 11 068 11 462 11 213 11 612 11 149 11 552 13 225 13 685 14 750 15 235 13 803 14 265 12 276 12 704 12 517 12 952 10 759 11 137

1 Based on the European System of Accounts 1995 (ESA95)

2 UK less Extra Regio

3 Provisional

Source: National Statistics

Median gross weekly pay¹ **NUTS 1 regions**

													£
	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
1998	C5GR 334.9	C5GS 302.4	C5GT 317.9	C5GU 313.7	C5GV 312.0	C5GW 320.4	C5GX 337.0	C5GY 419.0	C5GZ 350.3	C5H2 314.8	C5H3 308.9	C5H4 313.8	C5H5 298.1
1999	345.5	314.0	327.9	320.8	323.8	329.9	348.3	433.0	360.8	323.9	316.8	329.0	310.5
2000	359.0	329.3	340.9	335.0	330.8	340.9	358.1	460.0	377.3	336.0	327.5	338.4	320.2
2001	375.9	333.7	354.2	345.5	346.6	357.9	379.1	479.9	398.3	352.3	341.3	355.1	330.5
2002	390.9	344.8	368.5	360.0	362.3	366.6	392.6	501.1	419.9	364.9	349.4	371.7	342.0
2003	404.0	348.4	379.7	375.6	379.6	378.0	407.6	521.4	434.8	382.0	363.6	381.3	352.0
2004 ²	<u>423.0</u> 422.1	373.2 372.6	398.7 397.1	<u>393.5</u> 392.9	390.0 385.5	397.3 393.6	424.1 422.3	<u>545.2</u> 540.8	<u>451.2</u> 449.1	394.8 393.0	386.0 383.2	394. <u>5</u> 392.7	375.1 372.3

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, National Statistics

Estimated expenditure on R&D

£ million

			Estima	ted GOR br	eakdown o	f expenditu	ire on Intra	amural R&	D in the	Busines	s sector, 199	9-2003		
	United	North	North	Yorkshire & the	East	West	East of		South	South				Northern
	Kingdom	East	West	Humber	Midlands	Midlands	England	London	East	West	England	Wales	Scotland	Ireland
	D4DF	D4DG	D4DH	D4DI	D4DJ	D4DK	D4DL	D4DM	D4DN	D4DO	D4DP	D4DQ	D4DR	D4DS
1999	11 302	164	1 476	309	838	724	2 559	735	2 9 1 6	887	10 607	203	393	99
2000	11 510	164	1 451	304	933	576	2 758	810	2 964	867	10 827	144	400	139
2001	12 336	119	1 512	298	951	662	2 916	738	3 317	1 025	11 538	136	512	150
2002	13 110	128	1 661	357	1 063	695	2 741	950	3 268	1 274	12 138	182	640	149
2003	13 687	281	1 559	382	929	587	3 453	771	3 464	1 359	12 786	264	521	116

Estimated GOR breakdown of expenditure on Intramural R&D in the Government sector, 1999-2003

				Yorkshire										
	United Kingdom	North East	North West	& the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East of England	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
	D4DT	D4DU	D4DV	D4DW	D4DX	D4DY	D4DZ	D4E2	D4E3	D4E4	D4E5	D4E6	D4E7	D4E8
1999	2 086	2	56	46	56	191	248	231	648	301	1 779	60	233	14
2000	2 238	2	59	50	58	205	271	271	665	322	1 905	68	250	16
2001	1 829	4	66	50	68	65	277	238	515	254	1 537	49	226	16
2002	1 752	6	67	62	65	50	285	238	459	228	1 460	41	237	15
2003	2 010	2	54	134	22	38	336	279	583	231	1 679	43	271	17

Source: ONS

Estimated GOR breakdown of expenditure on Intramural R&D in the Higher Education sector, 1999-2003

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire & the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East of England	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
	D4E9	D4EA	D4EB	D4EC	D4ED	D4EE	D4EF	D4EG	D4EH	D4EI	D4EJ	D4EK	D4EL	D4EM
1999	3 324	112	259	269	181	179	253	833	491	147	2 723	129	408	64
2000	3 648	123	289	285	205	193	325	899	518	160	2 996	139	442	70
2001	4 034	142	322	317	224	207	366	979	562	178	3 296	155	510	73
2002	4 413	159	354	340	234	221	402	1 059	608	191	3 568	180	581	84
2003	4 457	158	363	347	223	228	412	1 069	614	192	3 606	175	575	100



VAT registrations and deregistrations 1 : net change 2 **NUTS 1 regions**

Thousands

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
	DCYQ	LREB	LRZS	DCYT	DCYU	DCYY	LRED	DEON	LREE	DCYX	DCZA	DCZB	DCZC
1999	25.1	0.4	1.4	0.9	1.4	1.8	2.6	7.9	5.8	1.9	-0.1	0.6	0.4
2000	23.2	0.5	1.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	2.7	6.2	4.8	1.5	0.5	0.7	0.2
2001	15.6	0.1	1.1	0.6	1.4	1.6	1.5	2.6	3.7	1.5	0.6	0.4	0.5
2002	11.8	0.3	0.9	0.5	1.6	1.2	2.1	0.1	2.9	1.4	-0.1	0.4	0.6
2003	15.5	0.6	2.3	2.0	1.6	1.1	1.6	2.0	2.6	1.3	-	0.5	-0.2

¹ This series replaces the previously published dataset, actual figures not

Median gross weekly earnings of full-time employees.
 The bottom figure includes supplementary information to improve inquiry coverage and the quality of the estimates, The top figure excludes this information and so is continuous with previous years figures.

rounded.

2 Net gain or_loss in the stock of registered enterprises each year - equal to registrations < de-registrations

Source: Small Business Services, DT



Three year survival rates of VAT registered businesses, by region Percent still trading

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
Year of registration														
•	D4BQ	D4BR	D4BS	D4BT	D4BU	D4BV	D4BW	D4BX	D4BY	D4BZ	D4C2	D4C3	D4C4	D4C5
1993	62.1	58.5	59.2	60.6	62.7	60.9	63.6	61.4	63.5	63.4	61.9	61.3	63.0	68.5
1994	62.5	58.6	59.8	61.3	61.9	61.9	64.2	60.8	64.3	64.6	62.2	63.6	62.2	73.7
1995	65.3	62.4	62.7	64.3	65.0	63.1	67.1	62.6	68.3	68.1	65.0	65.5	64.9	76.1
1996	66.0	64.7	63.6	64.3	65.2	64.7	68.5	63.3	69.5	68.6	66.0	66.5	64.0	75.0
1997	67.4	66.4	64.2	66.7	67.1	65.9	69.8	64.2	70.7	70.2	67.3	67.7	66.5	75.0
1998	66.3	66.2	65.1	65.1	66.6	66.4	68.8	62.5	69.6	68.7	66.3	66.5	64.5	72.4
1999	66.5	65.5	64.9	66.1	67.7	66.5	68.1	62.8	69.7	68.0	66.4	68.0	65.3	72.4
change 1993-99	4.4	7.0	5.7	5.5	5.0	5.6	4.5	1.4	6.2	4.6	4.5	6.7	2.3	3.9

Source: Small Business Service Jan 2004



UK Regional trade in goods by statistical value per region Value of Exports by Region

£ million

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland	Unknown
EU 15 Exports															
	D4C6	D4C7	D4C8	D4C9	D4CA	D4CB	D4CC	D4CD	D4CE	D4CF	D4CG	D4CH	D4CI	D4CJ	D4CK
2004 Q1	26 086	1 278	2 271	1 444	1 953	1 841	2 490	2 334	3 708	1 434	18 753	1 275	1 496	632	3 930
Q2	25 848	1 235	2 249	1 402	1 785	1 914	2 580	2 227	3 785	1 477	18 654	1 276	1 471	664	3 783
Q3	25 689	1 231	2 2 1 9	1 411	1 856	1 718	2 427	2 242	3 943	1 446	18 492	1 252	1 407	626	3 912
Q4	27 814	1 304	2 353	1 531	1 988	1 971	2 739	2 190	4 203	1 475	19 753	1 422	1 595	689	4 355
Total 2004**	105 437	5 048	9 092	5 788	7 582	7 444	10 236	8 993	15 639	5 832	75 652	5 225	5 969	2 611	15 980
Yr to date 2005*	26 149	1 280	2 260	1 640	2 031	1 825	2 532	2 303	3 703	1 523	19 097	1 293	1 288	618	3 853

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland	Unknown
Non-EU 15 Expo	rts														
•	D4CL	D4CM	D4CN	D4CO	D4CP	D4CQ	D4CR	D4CS	D4CT	D4CU	D4CV	D4CW	D4CX	D4CY	D4CZ
2004 Q1	19 065	661	2 029	957	1 389	1 461	1 681	3 329	2 968	876	15 351	668	1 224	397	1 425
Q2	20 874	801	2 154	1 039	1 490	1 649	1 948	3 373	3 260	915	16 630	736	1 510	438	1 559
Q3	21 649	808	2 242	1 110	1 637	1 516	1 974	3 434	3 484	1 042	17 245	795	1 585	434	1 590
Q4	23 328	802	2 314	1 247	1 824	1 647	2 202	3 288	3 983	1 064	18 371	883	1 644	495	1 936
Total 2004**	84 916	3 072	8 739	4 353	6 340	6 273	7 805	13 424	13 695	3 897	67 597	3 082	5 963	1 764	6 510
Yr to date 2005*	19 819	602	1 913	1 157	1 441	1 446	1 687	3 701	3 011	831	15 790	750	1 345	404	1 532

Source: Statistics and Analysis of Trade Unit (SATU)

Value of export goods as a percentage of headline regional GVA

percentage

	United Kingdom**	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
	D4D2	D4D3	D4D4	D4D5	D4D6	D4D7	D4D8	D4D9	D4DA	D4DB	D4DC	D4DD	D4DE
2001	21.5	24.3	18.5	14.0	24.5	19.1	21.5	14.7	20.5	12.1	21.3	23.7	19.2
2002	20.2	22.6	18.3	13.5	22.2	18.8	20.6	15.3	19.1	10.6	18.9	21.1	16.0
2003	19.2	24.8	17.4	13.1	23.0	17.3	21.3	13.4	20.3	12.1	19.3	16.9	18.3
2004*	19.4	25.0	18.2	14.2	14.2	17.6	21.6	12.8	20.5	12.9	22.1	15.2	19.7

Sources: DTI analysis of information provided by the Statistics and Analysis; of Trade Unit & HM Revenue and Customs

^{*} Provisional data - subject to revision **Components might not add up due to rounding.

^{*} uses regional GVA estimates
** UK figures include trade and GVA that cannot be allocated to regions

Unemployed as a percentage of the economically active population^{1,2} seasonally adjusted

NUTS 1 regions Percentages

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
	MGSX	YCNC	YCND	YCNE	YCNF	YCNG	YCNH	YCNI	YCNJ	YCNK	YCNL	YCNM	YCNN	ZSFB
2002 Q1	5.1	7.2	5.4	5.0	4.8	5.6	3.6	6.9	3.6	3.4	4.9	5.7	6.5	6.1
Q2	5.2	6.5	5.5	5.3	4.6	5.7	3.7	6.8	3.9	3.7	5.0	5.7	6.5	5.6
Q3	5.3	6.3	5.5	5.6	4.6	5.9	3.8	7.1	4.0	4.0	5.2	5.2	6.3	6.2
Q4	5.1	7.5	5.0	5.1	4.7	5.7	4.1	6.7	4.0	4.1	5.0	5.1	6.1	5.5
2003 Q1	5.1	6.4	5.0	5.2	4.1	6.0	4.6	7.0	3.9	3.8	5.0	4.8	5.8	5.2
Q2	5.0	6.1	4.9	5.1	4.4	5.6	4.0	7.2	4.0	3.5	5.0	4.6	5.6	5.2
Q3	5.0	6.7	4.8	4.9	4.5	5.9	3.9	7.2	3.9	3.2	4.9	4.7	5.8	5.7
Q4	4.9	6.5	4.8	5.1	4.4	5.8	3.5	7.1	3.8	3.1	4.8	4.8	5.8	6.3
2004 Q1	4.8	5.4	4.6	4.7	4.7	5.5	3.4	6.9	3.9	2.9	4.7	4.5	5.7	5.2
Q2	4.8	5.5	4.4	4.6	4.4	5.5	3.8	7.0	3.7	3.7	4.7	4.4	6.2	5.3
Q3	4.6	5.9	4.3	4.5	4.0	5.0	3.5	7.1	3.7	3.2	4.6	4.9	5.2	5.1
Q4	4.7	6.3	4.6	4.7	4.1	4.8	3.8	7.3	3.5	3.3	4.7	4.2	5.6	4.5
2005 Q1	4.7	5.5	4.8	4.2	4.3	4.6	3.9	6.7	3.7	3.5	4.6	4.5	5.5	4.7

¹ Periods are calendar quarters.

Source: Labour Force Survey, National Statistics

12 Claimant count rates as a percentage of total workforce NUTS 1 regions

Seasonally adjusted

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
2001 2002 2003 2004	BCJE 3.2 3.1 3.0 2.7	DPDM 5.6 5.1 4.5 4.0	IBWC 3.7 3.5 3.2 2.9	DPBI 3.9 3.6 3.4 2.9	DPBJ 3.1 2.8 2.8 2.5	DPBN 3.7 3.5 3.5 3.3	DPDP 2.0 2.1 2.1 2.0	DPDQ 3.3 3.6 3.7 3.5	DPDR 1.6 1.6 1.7 1.6	DPBM 2.1 1.9 1.9 1.6	DPBP 4.0 3.6 3.3 3.0	DPBQ 4.0 3.9 3.8 3.5	DPBR 4.9 4.4 4.2 3.6
2004 Jun	2.7	4.0	2.8	2.9	2.5	3.3	1.9	3.5	1.6	1.6	3.0	3.5	3.6
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	2.7 2.7 2.7 2.7 2.7 2.6	4.0 3.9 3.9 4.0 3.9 3.9	2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8	2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.7	2.5 2.5 2.5 2.5 2.5 2.5	3.2 3.2 3.2 3.2 3.2 3.2	1.9 1.9 1.9 2.0 1.9 2.0	3.5 3.4 3.4 3.4 3.4 3.4	1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6	1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	3.0 3.0 3.0 3.0 3.0 3.0	3.4 3.4 3.4 3.4 3.3	3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	2.6 2.6 2.7 2.7 2.7 2.8	3.7 3.8 3.9 3.9 4.0 4.0	2.7 2.7 2.8 2.8 2.9 2.9	2.7 2.8 2.8 2.9 2.9 3.0	2.4 2.4 2.5 2.5 2.6 2.6	3.1 3.2 3.3 3.5 3.5	1.9 1.9 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.1	3.4 3.4 3.5 3.5 3.5	1.5 1.5 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.7	1.5 1.5 1.6 1.6 1.6	2.9 2.9 3.0 3.0 3.1 3.1	3.3 3.3 3.3 3.3 3.3 3.3	3.4 3.4 3.4 3.4 3.4 3.4

Source: National Statistics

² Data has been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census Population data. For further details, please see the National Statistics website: www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/nugget.asp?id=207

$\textbf{13} \ \, \textbf{Total in employment}^{1,2,3}, \ \, \textbf{seasonally adjusted} \\ \textbf{NUTS 1 regions}$

Thousands

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
	MGRZ	YCJP	YCJQ	YCJR	YCJS	YCJT	YCJU	YCJV	YCJW	YCJX	YCJY	YCJZ	YCKA	ZSFG
2002 Q1	27 808	1 082	3 043	2 280	2 007	2 453	2 689	3 512	4 067	2 393	23 526	1 227	2 341	706
Q2	27 897	1 079	3 046	2 280	2 027	2 463	2 681	3 537	4 058	2 409	23 580	1 244	2 351	718
Q3	27 896	1 079	3 046	2 284	2 042	2 458	2 681	3 510	4 037	2 411	23 548	1 261	2 361	719
Q4	28 056	1 063	3 106	2 292	2 037	2 469	2 670	3 533	4 056	2 413	23 640	1 291	2 384	734
2003 Q1	28 110	1 074	3 114	2 314	2 047	2 461	2 660	3 507	4 054	2 421	23 651	1 301	2 397	752
Q2	28 177	1 081	3 132	2 319	2 046	2 450	2 693	3 513	4 041	2 423	23 697	1 322	2 408	738
Q3	28 200	1 084	3 139	2 330	2 036	2 436	2 697	3 539	4 044	2 428	23 733	1 326	2 402	728
Q4	28 225	1 101	3 138	2 335	2 052	2 436	2 738	3 500	4 051	2 440	23 787	1 320	2 393	717
2004 Q1	28 425	1 120	3 168	2 347	2 068	2 458	2 750	3 541	4 034	2 461	23 946	1 334	2 416	720
Q2	28 376	1 115	3 167	2 344	2 052	2 466	2 737	3 539	4 055	2 427	23 903	1 329	2 423	714
Q3	28 431	1 113	3 171	2 350	2 049	2 496	2 739	3 514	4 067	2 448	23 947	1 313	2 442	720
Q3 Q4	28 521	1 107	3 198	2 362	2 043	2 501	2 725	3 500	4 073	2 451	23 985	1 335	2 447	744
Q4	20 021	1 107	3 198	2 302	2 000	2 50 1	2 /25	3 500	4 0/3	2 4 3 I	23 983	1 333	2 447	744
2005 Q1	28 608	1 122	3 182	2 366	2 077	2 508	2 735	3 550	4 075	2 462	24 077	1 325	2 453	743

Source: Labour Force Survey, National Statistics

Employee jobs (all industries) NUTS 1 regions

2000 = 100

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
2001 2002 2003 2004	YEKA 101.4 101.8 102.2 102.8	YEKB 100.3 103.0 104.1 104.0	YEKJ 102.0 103.7 104.9 105.7	YEKC 100.1 101.0 103.1 104.6	YEKD 99.9 100.4 100.1 99.4	YEKI 99.8 100.9 100.9 101.3	YEKE 101.9 101.4 103.3 104.7	YEKF 101.9 99.3 98.3 99.1	YEKG 101.7 102.9 102.0 101.7	YEKH 102.0 103.7 104.5 106.3	YEKK 100.3 100.9 102.1 102.9	YEKL 102.9 102.7 102.8 103.8	YEKM 102.0 104.0 105.0 106.7
2003 Sep Dec	102.2 103.0	104.1 104.5	105.1 105.7	103.5 104.8	100.4 100.7	100.8 101.4	103.6 104.6	97.9 99.2	101.7 101.8	105.0 105.9	102.8 103.4	102.8 103.9	104.7 106.5
2004 Mar Jun Sep Dec	102.2 102.6 102.8 103.8	103.5 103.3 104.5 104.7	105.0 105.3 105.7 106.9	103.9 104.3 104.6 105.4	99.1 99.6 99.2 99.8	100.6 100.7 100.8 102.8	103.7 104.5 105.0 105.9	98.7 99.0 98.8 99.8	101.1 101.5 101.5 102.7	105.3 106.1 106.6 107.3	102.1 103.1 103.0 103.3	103.0 103.6 103.7 104.7	106.1 105.9 106.6 108.1
2005 Mar	103.2	104.7	106.6	105.1	99.3	101.4	104.7	99.5	101.9	106.8	102.3	104.2	107.9

Source: National Statistics

Includes employees, the self-employed, participants on Government-supported employment and training schemes and unpaid family-workers.
 Periods are calendar quarters.
 Data have been adjusted to reflect the 2001 Census population data. For further details please see the National Statistics website: www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/nugget.asp?id=207

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				Yorkshire				London				
	United Kingdom	North East	North West	and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	and the South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
2004 Jul Oct	DCMO 7 –10	LRYS -19 16	LRYT 13 –9	DCMU 22 11	DCMT 28 1	DCMS -21 -16	LRYU -2 -29	DCMP -1 -19	DCMR 9 5	DCMX 29 -6	DCMY 23 –10	DCMZ - -39
2005 Jan Apr	-22 -15	8 –11	-22 -28	-26 -17	-22 -32	-43 -34	-26 4	-35 -2	-38 -18	2	14 5	-27 -36

¹ Balance in percentage of firms reporting rises less those reporting falls.

Source: CBI/Experian Regional Trends Survey, May 2005

16 Manufacturing industry: volume of output NUTS 1 regions

Balance¹

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London and the South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
Past 3 months	DCLQ	LRYV	LRYW	DCLW	DCLV	DCLU	LRYX	DCLR	DCLT	DCLZ	DCMA	DCMB
2004 Jul	7	-22	5	27	-7	-16	10	16	1	39	9	-24
Oct	6	-6	6	17	14	-15	11	13	3	1	14	-20
2005 Jan	2	-9	-25	16	-8	–26	14	1	-19	24	35	–21
Apr	-10	2	-27	-5	-3	–33	-3	–11	3	3	15	–37
Next 3 months	DCMC	LRYY	LRYZ	DCMI	DCMH	DCME	LRZA	DCMD	DCMF	DCML	DCMM	DCMN
2005 Apr	5	1	1	9	-2	-7	-2	4	5	14	41	-6

¹ Balance in percentage of firms reporting rises less those reporting falls.

Source: CBI/Experian Regional Trends Survey, May 2005

17 Manufacturing industry: volume of new orders NUTS 1 regions

Balance¹

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London and the South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
Past 3 months	DCNA	LRZB	LRZC	DCNG	DCNF	DCNE	LRZD	DCNB	DCND	DCNJ	DCNK	DCNL
2004 Jul	2	-19	13	33	21	-16	-	-	-7	15	20	-21
Oct	4	-8	–10	11	15	-14	-3	6	-4	3	15	-15
2005 Jan	-4	−16	-16	14	10	-20	1	−7	-14	4	43	-32
Apr	-18	−11	-24	9	-14	-23	-10	−17	-19	-14	1	-49
Next 3 months	DCNM	LRZE	LRZF	DCNS	DCNR	DCNQ	LRZG	DCNN	DCNP	DCNV	DCNW	DCNX
2005 Apr	3	-1	-3	15	-9	-25	-	-	5	14	35	-23

¹ Balance in percentage of firms reporting rises \emph{less} those reporting falls.

Source: CBI/Experian Regional Trends Survey, May 2005

Manufacturing industry: volume of new export orders NUTS 1 regions

Balance¹

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London and the South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
Past 3 months												
	DCNY	LRZH	LRZI	DCOE	DCOD	DCOC	LRZJ	DCNZ	DCOB	DCOH	DCOI	DCOJ
2004 Jul	-3	-35	17	14	-3	-14	-10	-6	9	1	32	-13
Oct	-	12	-16	<i>–</i> 5	-8	-30	-4	7	- 9	-4	31	-34
2005 Jan	-8	-12	-30	6	-3	-32	3	-12	-27	-19	14	-29
Apr	-15	8	-18	2	2	-27	-6	-17	-19	-19	-19	-59
Next 3 months												
	DCOK	LRZK	LRZL	DCOQ	DCOP	DCOO	LRZM	DCOL	DCON	DCOT	DCOU	DCOV
2005 Apr	_	11	-12	16	18	-16	-1	– 9	-2	8	19	-39

¹ Balance in percentage of firms reporting rises *less* those reporting falls.

Source: CBI/Experian Regional Trends Survey, May 2005

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Percentages

	United Kingdom	North East	North West	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London and the South East	South West	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
2004 Jul Oct	DCOW 54 54	LRZN 79 77	LRZO 53 66	DCPC 52 37	DCPB 65 61	DCPA 44 54	LRZP 38 49	DCOX 38 59	DCOZ 55 60	DCPF 47 58	DCPG 51 41	DCPH 52 77
2005 Jan Apr	59 60	77 85	72 65	50 53	57 62	62 56	59 66	65 67	62 60	38 33	23 37	31 85

Source: CBI/Experian Regional Trends Survey, May 2005

Methodology Notes: Seasonal adjustment

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This is the latest article in a new series called 'Methodology Notes'. This series aims to explain statistical issues relevant to our data in a simple, non-technical way. As well as defining the topic areas, the notes explain when, why and how these methodologies are used within ONS. Where possible, we also point the reader to further sources of information.

What is seasonal adjustment and why do we use it?

Seasonal adjustment is the process of removing variations associated with the time of the year, or the arrangement of the calendar, from a time series. There are a variety of permanent effects associated with the time of the year, for example:

- higher retail sales around Christmas
- more tourists visit the UK during the summertime.

There are also less obvious timing issues that tend to vary year on year; these are called 'calendar effects'. For example, November one year might contain five weekends, whilst the following year it has only four. Another year, the month of April might contain Easter, whilst the following it does not. This is likely to have the following impact on the data:

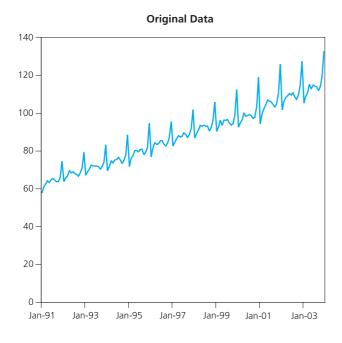
- higher retail sales in the November that contains the five weekends
- lower industrial production in the April that contains Easter, as it has fewer days that people are at work.

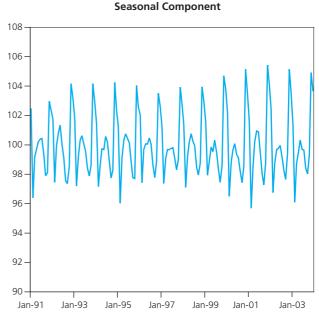
These differences in the data are down to seasonal effects, and not due to any underlying economic change. Consequently, the data are adjusted so these seasonal effects do not mislead the user and to give a clearer picture of what is going on over time

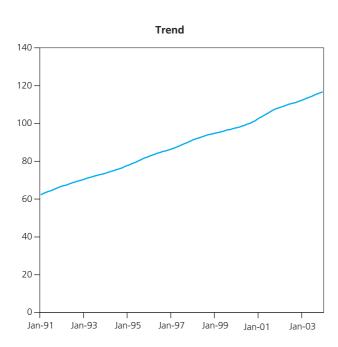
How is seasonal adjustment undertaken in ONS?

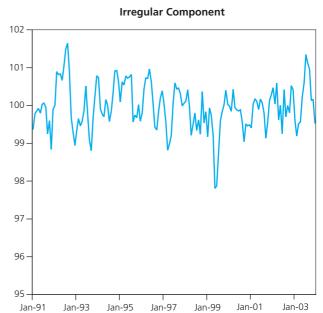
A time-series (Y) is made up of three components; Trend Cycle, Seasonal and Irregular.

The process used by ONS attempts to estimate each of the three components through a modelling process. Once these have been isolated, the original data are adjusted so the seasonal component is removed leaving the trend and irregular component. This means the original series is now 'seasonally adjusted'.



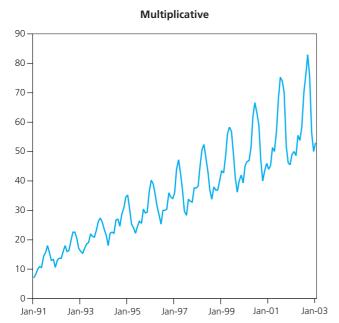


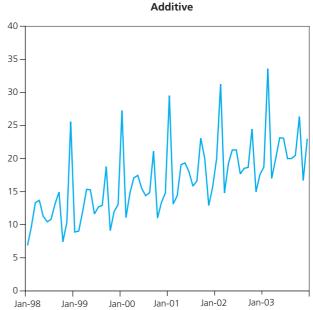




Multiplicative and additive charts

There are two basic ways of modelling seasonal adjustment in time-series data. A multiplicative model is used when the amplitude of the series increases as the level rises. An additive model is used when the amplitude stays constant as the series increases. The seasonal components under these two models are then estimated and removed. This method differs slightly depending on the model used.



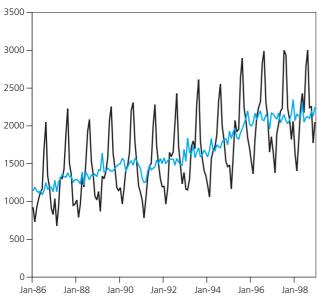


An example of seasonal adjustment

Below is a graph of original data (black) and the seasonally adjusted series (blue) for the number of overseas residents' visits to the UK. There are two points to note regarding the original data. Firstly, the series peaks in the summer when most tourists visit the country and dips during the winter. Secondly, the underlying trend is difficult to see in the original data. The trend is much more obvious once the data has been seasonally adjusted; the number of overseas visitors is slowly increasing over time.

Most yearly indices, such as the Retail Sales Index (RSI) and Index of Production (IOP), annually review their seasonal adjustments to take into account newly available data. Any changes to the seasonal adjustments causes backward revisions to existing data.

Overseas residents' visits to UK (thousands)



Notes

For further explanation on how the different models work, see *Seasonal Adjustment with the X-11 method* by Dominique Ladiray and Benoit Quenneville.

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Research and experimental development (R&D) statistics, 2003

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In 2003 Gross Domestic Expenditure on R&D was 1.86 per cent of GDP, very similar to 2002. In terms of European comparisons in 2003 the UK was just below the EU average of 1.93 per cent.

Expenditure in real terms performed by the business sector has increased by 1.5 per cent on the 2002 total.

The manufacturing sector accounts for 77 per cent of the total R&D expenditure. Within that figure, the chemicals broad group has the largest share of R&D expenditure at 36 per cent. The service sector accounts for 21 per cent of total R&D expenditure

Within the UK, net expenditure in real terms performed by government peaked in 1980/81. Since then there was a gradual downward trend until 1998/1999 (with a noteworthy exception in 1986/87 of £8.5 billion, higher than in 1980/81of £8.4 billion), after which point the expenditure for subsequent years has slightly increased. The overall level of net government expenditure on defence R&D has fallen from 37 per cent in 1995 to 32 per cent in 2003.

Within regions, spending is highest in the South East for both the business and government sectors.

Summary of trends

- Measuring expenditure and employment of R&D is difficult because of the subjective judgements that have to be made about the dividing line between R&D and other activities. There are discontinuities in the series arising from the interpretation of definitions, and changes in the actual or perceived status of organisations (Chapter 1 of Science, Engineering and Technology Statistics 2005², details this). Some general conclusions can be drawn, but significance should not be given to small percentage changes between years.
- In 2003 Gross Domestic Expenditure on R&D (GERD) was 1.86 per cent of GDP, very similar to 2002 (see Table 2). In terms of European comparisons, in 2003 the UK was just below the EU average of 1.93 per cent. ⁵ GERD is seen as an important indicator of productivity and competitiveness, both within the UK and internationally.
- Expenditure in real terms performed by the business sector has increased by 1.5 per cent on the 2002 total (see Table 4).
- The manufacturing sector accounts for 77 per cent of total R&D expenditure. Within that figure, the chemicals broad product group has the largest share of R&D expenditure at 36 per cent. The services sector accounts for 21 per cent of total R&D expenditure (see Table 5).
- Within the UK, net expenditure in real terms on R&D by government peaked in 1980/81. Since then there was a gradual downward trend until 1998/99 (with a noteworthy exception in 1986/87 of £8.5 billion, higher than in 1980/81 of £8.4 billion), after which point the expenditure for subsequent years has slightly increased (Table 10). The overall level of net government expenditure on defence R&D has fallen from 37 per cent in 1995 to 32 per cent in 2003 (see Table 12).
- Within the regions, spending is highest in the South East for both the business and government sectors (Table 14).

Background

This article is the latest in an annual series, the previous article was published in the September 2004 edition of *Economic Trends*. Most of the figures have already been published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS), the Department of Trade and Industry (Office of Science and Technology) or the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). 1.2,4,5 The purpose of this report is to bring together a range of data produced and published by ONS in a single annual article and our aim is to continue to inform and stimulate debate within the R&D community.

The R&D statistics published here are consistent with OECD's *Frascati Manual*³ which defines Research and Experimental Development (R&D) and gives guidelines

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on how to measure expenditure and employment on R&D. The manual is applied throughout the OECD so it is possible to make comparisons between countries.^{5,6}

R&D is defined as creative work undertaken systematically to increase the stock of knowledge, including knowledge of man, culture and society, and the use of this knowledge to devise new applications.

Care should be exercised when using R&D statistics for economic analysis. R&D can lead to the technological inventions that are necessary for a successful, innovative economy. But such inventions are not a sufficient condition for success – many other economic and social factors are important. Undue weight should not be given to the economic significance of R&D's role as a generator of inventions. On the other hand, the economic benefit of R&D is not limited to that role: R&D develops skills and techniques that are important for any economy.

Sources of information

Performers and funders of R&D are divided into four economic sectors: business, Government, higher education institutions (HEIs), and the Private Non-Profit (PNP) sector. Definitions are provided at the end of this article.

ONS conducts an annual survey of R&D in businesses. As in previous years the 2003 survey used a sample survey to minimise burdens on contributors. The register of R&D performers is continually updated; results and detailed methodology notes can be found in the publication *Research and Development in UK Business 2003* (series MA14).¹

ONS also conducts an annual survey of Central Government R&D, which is addressed to all government departments. The survey collects data on expenditure and employment for outturn and planning years. The latest detailed results will be published in OST's *Science, Engineering and Technology*

Statistics 2005 (SET 2005).² This document will be available on OST's website at http://www.dti.gov.uk/ost/.

Statistics on expenditure on and employment in R&D by Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are based on information collected by Higher Education Funding Councils and HESA (Higher Education Statistics Agency). In 1994 a new methodology was introduced to estimate expenditure on R&D by HEIs. This was based on the allocation of various Funding Council Grants. Full details of the new methodology will be contained in *SET 2005*.²

The tables

Gross Domestic Expenditure on R&D (GERD) (Tables 1–3)

These tables show the performers and funders of R&D in the UK. Measuring expenditure on R&D performed within each sector avoids problems of omission and double counting that can arise when measuring funds provided for R&D. GERD is the sum of R&D performed in the four sectors.

Tables 1 and 2 show that UK GERD in 2003 was £20.8 billion in cash terms. GERD is often quoted as a percentage of GDP when making international comparisons. In 2003 UK GERD was 1.86 per cent of GDP, similar to the previous year's figure, but below the provisional OECD estimate for the EU average of 1.93 per cent.

Table 1 shows the interaction between R&D funders and performers. For example £13.7 billion was spent on R&D in the business sector. Of this, £1.5 billion was provided by the government, £3.6 billion came from abroad and £8.6 billion was funded by businesses from their own sources. Funds from abroad include those from overseas parent companies, contracts for R&D projects, support for R&D provided through European Union schemes and international collaborative projects typically for aerospace or defence projects.

Figure 1 shows that the business sector of the economy is the most important in terms of providing funds for and carrying out R&D.

R&D performed by the Business Sector (Tables 4-9)

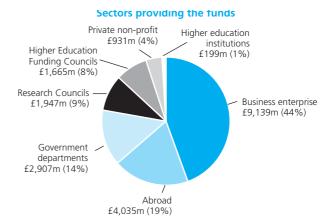
Table 4 and Figure 2 show a time series dating back to 1966 for expenditure performed by the business sector. They show that in 2003 R&D expenditure was £13.7 billion. Expenditure in real terms in the business sector has increased by 94 per cent on 1966 figures.

Table 5 shows that within the business sector, the services broad product group accounted for 21 per cent of the total expenditure in 2003, a rise of one per cent on 2002. In the manufacturing sector, the pharmaceuticals and chemicals broad product group had the largest share of R&D expenditure at 28 per cent.

Statistics for civil and defence R&D have been collected separately since 1989. Defence includes all R&D programmes undertaken primarily for defence reasons, regardless of their content or whether they have secondary civil applications.

Figure 1

Gross expenditure on R&D in the UK, by sectors, 2003



Research Councils f788m (4%) Government departments f1,222m (6%) Higher education f4,458m (21%) Business enterprise f13,687m (66%)

In 2003, civil R&D represented 86 per cent of all R&D expenditure performed by business (see Table 6). Table 7 and Figure 3 show that, in 2003, 71 per cent of civil R&D performed by businesses was funded by businesses themselves. Government funded four per cent of civil R&D, whereas it funded 53 per cent of defence R&D.

A breakdown into detailed product groups is shown in Tables 8 and 9. The product group with the largest expenditure is pharmaceuticals, medical chemicals and botanical products, which accounted for £3.2 billion in 2003, followed by aerospace at £1.7 billion.

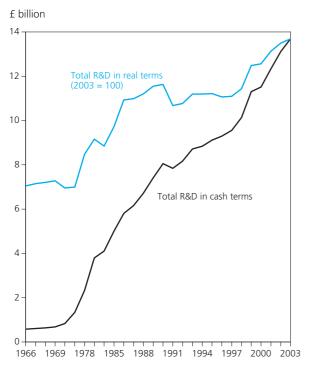
Table 9 shows the split of current and capital expenditure on R&D performed by UK businesses. Current expenditure is the sum of salaries and wages, basic and applied research and experimental development. Capital is the expenditure on land, buildings, plant and machinery.

Government R&D expenditure (Tables 10 – 12, 17 and 19)

A department's net expenditure on R&D is its expenditure on R&D performed within the department (intramural), *plus* its expenditure on R&D outside the department (extramural), *minus* receipts for R&D.

The sum of a department's net expenditure is the R&D element of the government's budget expenditure. This is used for international comparisons of government appropriations for R&D (for example, Table 17).

Figure 2
Net business enterprise expenditure on R&D, in cash and real terms, 1966–2003



The UK has a high proportion of central government expenditure devoted to R&D for defence purposes (see Table 19).

Figures in Tables 10 and 12 for Government's net expenditure on R&D differ from Government funding figures in Tables 1 and 3. This is because Tables 1 to 3 are based on information supplied by R&D (*performers*) whilst Tables 10 to 12 contain expenditure figures reported by Government departments (*funders*). The gap is mainly accounted for by differences in the reporting of Government contracts with businesses for certain types of defence R&D and R&D performed abroad but funded by the UK Government.

The difference is also attributed to factors such as:

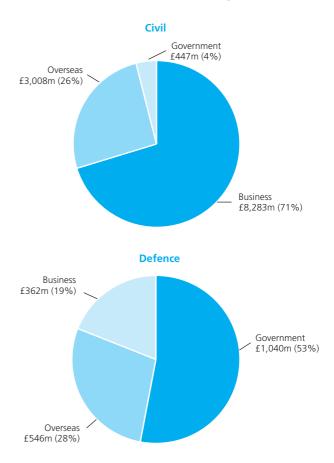
- time lag problems due to differences in accounting periods and not all monies given being used in that financial period
- treatment of VAT
- sub-contracting of R&D work.

R&D costs in NHS hospitals previously included in Table 11 on the basis of the Culyer report,⁷ are now reported as extramural expenditure. The figures for central government intramural R&D in Table 11 are lower than those performed by the government sector in Tables 1 and 2. This is because the latter includes estimates for a small amount of R&D not collected by the Government survey and R&D performed by local authorities.

Table 10 and Figure 4 show a time series dating back to 1966/67. They show that in 2003/04 the net Government expenditure on R&D (by civil and defence departments) was £7.9 billion, a 3.6 per cent increase in cash terms on 2002/03.

Figure 3

Source of funds for Business Enterprise R&D, 2003



In real terms, spending on R&D was flat in the late sixties but rose in the seventies to a peak in 1980/81. Since then it has declined until 1998/99 (with a noteworthy exception in 1986/87 of £8.5 billion, higher than in 1980/81 of £8.4 billion), since when the trend has been upward, although spending in 2003/04 was still greater than in 1966/67.

Table 11 shows the breakdown of departmental intramural expenditure (see Figure 5): the current (which is also shown by Frascati type of research) and capital expenditure. Figure 5 shows that 92 per cent (£1.4 billion) of intramural expenditure is current expenditure. Applied research accounts for 47 per cent of the total intramural expenditure. Total intramural expenditure is further broken down in Table 11 into Social Science & Humanities (SSH) and Natural Science & Engineering (NSE) research.

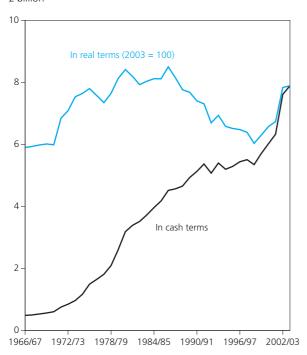
Table 12 provides an analysis of net government R&D expenditure by Frascati type of research activity for the period 1995/96 to 2003/04. There has been an 11 per cent increase in basic research and a four per cent increase in applied research between 2002/03 and 2003/04. In 2003/04 defence expenditure accounted for 32 per cent of total expenditure.

R&D employment – Government and Business Enterprise (Table 13)

Between 2002 and 2003, employment rates have remained at similar levels.

Figure 4 **Total Net Government expenditure on R&D in cash** terms and real terms, 1966/67 to 2003/04

£ billion



Regional R&D statistics (Tables 14-15)

Regional estimates for the Government and Business sectors are derived from the ONS surveys of Government and Business Enterprises.

The Higher Education Institutions' (HEI) regional R&D estimates are less reliable and should be treated with special caution. The expenditure estimates are obtained by allocating total R&D performed by HEIs (HERD) to individual HEIs in proportion to their income from research grants and contracts. An estimate of the labour force in Full Time Equivalents (FTE) is not available.

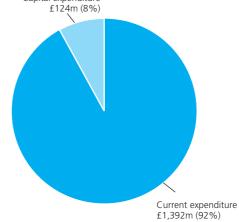
Estimates are given for UK Government Office Regions (GOR). Of the twelve GOR regions the South East of England has the highest number of R&D personnel and the largest expenditure on R&D. To adjust for this the R&D personnel estimates are shown as a percentage of the labour force (see Figure 7). Tables 14 and 15 show that, within the UK, the Eastern and South East have the highest concentration of R&D expenditure performed by business. For the government sector the highest regions are the South East and the East of England region, whilst for the Higher Education Sector, London, the South East and Scotland are prominent (see Figure 6). In terms of personnel estimates as a percentage of the labour force (see Figure 7), the Eastern and South East regions are prominent in both the Business sector and Government sector.

International comparisons of R&D (Tables 16–19)

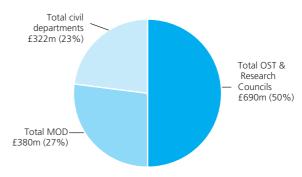
Although the guidelines in the Frascati Manual are generally followed, methods of collecting R&D data do vary from country to country (Main Science and Technological Indicators 2003/4⁵ discusses national variations). Small differences

Figure 5 **Analysis of Central Government intramural** expenditure 2003-04

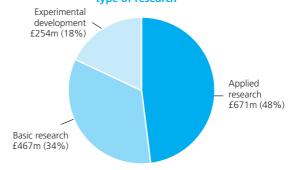




Departmental breakdown of current intramural R&D



Breakdown of current expenditure by Frascati type of research



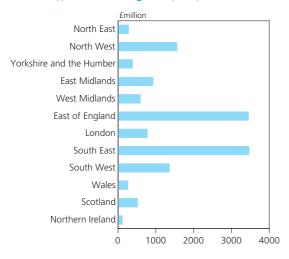
should not therefore be treated as significant when making international comparisons.

The figures shown for Japan in the tables are estimated by OECD.

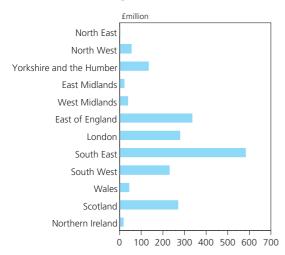
Table 16 shows gross expenditure on R&D as a percentage of GDP for the G7 countries over the time period 1995 to 2003. The ratio for GERD has been fairly constant over this time for most of the countries. Figure 8 shows the position in 2003. The UK was ranked 6th. Table 16 also shows BERD and GOVERD as a percentage of GDP.

Figure 6

(i) Estimated regional (GOR) BERD in 2003



(ii) Estimated regional (GOR) GOVERD in 2003



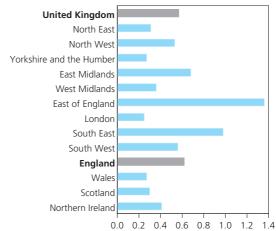
(iii) Estimated regional (GOR) HERD in 2003



Figure 7

(i) Estimated regional (GOR) BERD in 2003

Percentage of the regional Labour Force



(ii) Estimated regional (GOR) Government R&D in 2003

Percentage of the regional Labour Force

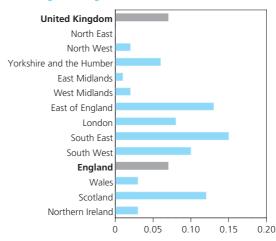
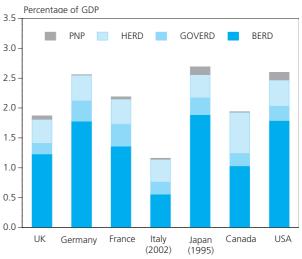


Figure 8

Comparison of BERD, GOVERD, HERD and PNP as a percentage of GDP, 2003



Source OECD

Table 17 shows the international comparisons of GERD by sector of performance and source of funding. Table 18 shows R&D performed in the business sector. Table 16 also shows this as a percentage of GDP; the USA and Germany spend most as a percentage of GDP. International comparison of government funding of R&D in 2003 by socio-economic objective is shown in Table 19. Of the G7 countries, the USA and the UK devoted the highest proportion of their total government R&D funding to defence. For Germany, Italy and Japan about half of their total government funding of R&D was classified as the advancement of knowledge compared to approximately a third for the UK.

Definitions

Type of R&D

Basic or fundamental research is experimental or theoretical work undertaken primarily to acquire new knowledge of the underlying foundations of phenomena and observable facts, without any particular application or use in view.

Applied research is research undertaken with either a general or a particular application in view.

Experimental development is the use of the results of basic and applied research directed to the introduction of new materials, processes, products, devices and systems, or the improvement of existing ones. It should include the prototype or pilot plant stage, design and drawing required during R&D and innovative work done on contracts with outside organisations, government departments, and public bodies. Firms in the aerospace industry are asked to include expenditure on development batches.

Sectors of the economy

The four sectors of the economy are defined in an ONS publication *Gross Domestic Expenditure on Research and Development 2003.* However, higher education is identified separately as recommended in the Frascati Manual.

Business Enterprises include private businesses, public corporations, and research associations serving businesses.

Central Government includes the central government departments, research councils, higher education funding councils, NDPBs, and Executive Agencies.

Higher Education includes the former polytechnics and central institutions in Scotland as well as the old universities.

Private Non-Profit sector makes up the remainder and includes medical research charities.

Regional data

Data are classified according to the Government Office Regions (GOR).

Rounding

Throughout the tables components of totals have been rounded independently of the totals. Therefore the rounded totals will not always be equal to the sums of the rounded components. Symbols follow the conventions used elsewhere in *Economic Trends*.

Revisions and discontinuities

In the Government tables, a new method for estimating Government-funded R&D in HE was introduced in 1994/95. Whilst it has been possible to adjust 1993/94 figures, it has not been possible to revise the data for previous years because of structural changes in the HE sector.

Government figures in some tables (see table footnotes) for 1995/96 onwards, now include NHS Hospital R&D estimates for the first time.

The estimates of the UK's gross domestic expenditure have been revised between 1996 and 2002.

Between 1996 and 2000 the revisions are mainly due to the Ministry of Defence amending their data. The details are outlined in *Defence Statistics Bulletin 6*, which is available at the following web address: www.dasa.mod.uk/publications/pdfs/bulletin/bulletin6.pdf

A PNP survey was conducted for 2003, which revealed that the sector had been under-estimated in previous years. It also showed that the components of the funding needed revising, particularly the Research Councils. Using the results from this survey and supplementary data from the Research Councils it has been possible to revise the series back to the last PNP survey, which was conducted in 1996. The outcomes of these initiatives have resulted in revisions to the PNP data between 1997 and 2002.

Regional data are published using GOR regions and these should not be compared to Nomenclature of Units for Territorial Statistics (NUTS) regional data previously published in this annual article.

Data analysis service

ONS is now able to offer additional analyses on R&D statistics, for example, sizeband and regional breakdowns. The contact for this service is:

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Abbreviations

BERD Business Expenditure on R&D

EU European Union

EUROSTAT The Statistical Office of the European

Communities

FTE Full Time Equivalent

G7 Group of Seven countries, comprising: UK,

Germany, France, Italy, Japan, Canada, USA

GDP Gross Domestic Product

GERD Gross (Domestic) Expenditure on R&D

GOVERD Government Intramural Expenditure on R&D

GOR Government Office Regions

HEFC Higher Education Funding Council

HEIs Higher Education Institutions

HERD Higher Education Expenditure on R&D

HESA Higher Education Statistics Agency

NDPB Non-Departmental Public Body

NHS National Health Service

NUTS Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and

Development

ONS Office for National Statistics

OST Office of Science and Technology (part of DTI

since April 1996)

PPP Purchasing Power Parities

PNP Private Non-Profit

R&D Research and (Experimental) Development

Table 1

Gross expenditure on civil and defence R&D performed in the UK in 2003¹

£ million

	Sectors carrying out the work ^{2,3}						
	Government departments ⁴	Research Councils	Higher education	Business enterprise	Private non-profit	Totals	Abroad
Government departments ⁴	1,043	127	230	1,479	29	2,907	371
Research Councils	6	502	1,022	8	408	1,947	204
Higher Education Funding Counc	cils –	_	1,665	_	_	1,665	
Higher education institutions	1	10	182	_	6	199	
Business enterprise	143	37	247	8,642	70	9,139	1,259
Private non-profit	14	64	747	3	103	931	
Abroad	15	48	365	3,554	53	4,035	
Total	1,222	788	4,458	13,687	669	20,824	n/a
Civil							
Government departments ⁴	694	121	219	439	28	1,503	152
Research Councils	6	502	1,022	8	408	1,947	204
Higher Education Funding Council	cils –	_	1,665	_	_	1,665	
Higher education institutions	1	10	182	_	6	199	
Business enterprise	123	37	219	8,280	70	8,729	
Private non-profit	14	64	747	3	103	931	
Abroad	10	48	365	3,008	53	3,484	
Total	848	782	4,420	11,739	669	18,457	n/a
Defence							
Government departments ⁴	348	6	10	1,040	0	1,404	219
Research Councils	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Higher Education Funding Counc	cils –	_	_	_	_	_	
Higher education institutions	0	_	_	_	_	0	
Business enterprise	20	_	28	362	_	410	
Private non-profit	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Abroad	5	_	_	546	_	551	
Total	374	6	38	1,948	0	2,366	n/a

Notes:

General Note:

These estimates are derived from the ONS surveys of government and business enterprise R&D and from information from the HEFC. More details are in the ONS First Release Gross Domestic Expenditure on Research and Development, (GERD), published on 24 March 2005.

Notes:

- 1 Research in the social sciences and humanities is included.
- 2 The OECD terminology is used for describing the breakdown of GERD by sector.
- 3 Some of the numbers have been estimated.
- 4 The total for R&D performed by government includes estimates for a small amount of R&D not available from the Government Survey; R&D performed by local authorities. Since 1996 UK NHS figures have been obtained from the Department of Health and the Scottish Office on the basis of the Culyer report.
- 0 represents a value less than 0.5
- represents a nil value

Table 2

Gross expenditure on R&D in the UK by performing sector, 1995 to 2003¹

									£ millior
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Expenditure in cash terms (£n	n):								
Performed by:									
Government	1,462	1,553	1,403	1,471	1,464	1,593	1,160	1,053	1,222
Research Councils	581	575	590	591	622	646	670	699	788
Business enterprise	9,116	9,297	9,556	10,133	11,302	11,510	12,336	13,110	13,687
Higher education	2,696	2,792	2,893	3,040	3,324	3,648	4,034	4,416	4,458
Private non-profit	177	177	212	226	257	322	423	539	669
Total	14,034	14,394	14,654	15,460	16,969	17,718	18,623	19,817	20,824
Expenditure in real terms (200	03=100)² (£m)):							
Performed by:									
Government	1,799	1,849	1,628	1,659	1,616	1,738	1,234	1,084	1,222
Research Councils	715	684	685	667	687	705	713	719	788
Business enterprise	11,216	11,067	11,091	11,431	12,478	12,562	13,129	13,490	13,687
Higher education	3,317	3,324	3,358	3,430	3,670	3,981	4,294	4,544	4,458
Private non-profit	218	211	246	255	284	352	450	554	669
Total	17,266	17,135	17,008	17,441	18,735	19,337	19,821	20,391	20,824
Total as percentage of GDP ³	1.93	1.86	1.78	1.78	1.85	1.84	1.85	1.87	1.86
Notes: 1 See notes at Table 1. 2 GDP deflators are:									
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
	81.3	84.0	86.2	88.6	90.6	91.6	94.0	97.2	100.0
3 Gross domestic product values are:									£ millio
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
	728,658	773,407	822,818	868,443	919,077	961,864	1,004,082	1,058,060	1,116,714

Table 3 Gross expenditure on R&D in the UK by source of funds, 1995 to 2003^{1,2}

Total as percentage of GDP	1.93	1.86	1.78	1.78	1.85	1.84	1.85	1.87	1.86
Total	17,266	17,135	17,008	17,441	18,735	19,337	19,821	20,391	20,824
Abroad	2,497	2,757	2,460	2,922	3,211	3,089	3,610	4,119	4,035
Private non-profit	629	649	671	701	774	890	945	991	931
Business enterprise	8,323	8,076	8,444	8,271	8,984	9,341	9,302	9,403	9,139
Higher education	146	144	143	147	157	172	188	201	199
Higher Education Funding Councils	1,252	1,223	1,199	1,224	1,277	1,393	1,568	1,674	1,665
Research Councils	1,326	1,300	1,342	1,285	1,337	1,437	1,609	1,762	1,947
Government	3,093	2,986	2,750	2,892	2,994	3,016	2,597	2,241	2,907
Expenditure in real terms (2003=1 Funded by:	oo) (Elli).								
Total	14,034	14,394	14,654	15,460	16,969	17,718	18,623	19,817	20,824
	2,029	2,316	2,119	2,590	2,908	2,830	3,392	4,003	4,035
Private non-profit Abroad	511	545	578	621	701	815	888	963	931
Business enterprise	6,765	6,784	7,275	7,331	8,137	8,559	8,740	9,138	9,139
Higher education	119	121	123	130	143	158	177	196	199
Higher Education Funding Councils	1,018	1,027	1,033	1,085	1,157	1,276	1,474	1,626	1,665
Research Councils	1,078	1,092	1,156	1,139	1,211	1,317	1,512	1,713	1,947
Government	2,514	2,508	2,369	2,564	2,712	2,763	2,440	2,178	2,907
Funded by:									
Expenditure in cash terms (£m):									
Sector providing funds									
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
									£ million

See notes at Table 1.
 See notes at Table 2.

Table 4 **Business Enterprise R&D, in cash terms and real terms,1966 to 2003**

£ million

	Total Business Er	nterprise R&D
Year	In cash terms	In real terms (2003=100) ¹
1966	580	7,045
1967	605	7,144
1968	639	7,204
1969	680	7,279
1970	N/S	N/S
1971	N/S	N/S
1972	831	6,953
1973	N/S	N/S
1974	N/S	N/S
1975	1,340	6,994
1976	N/S	N/S
1977	N/S	N/S
1978	2,324	8,481
1979	N/S	N/S
1980	N/S	N/S
1981	3,793	9,155
1982	N/S	N/S
1983	4,104	8,846
1984	N/S	N/S
1985	5,005	9,727
1986	5,804	10,931
1987	6,159	10,985
1988	6,717	11,200
1989	7,416	11,551
1990	8,054	11,627
1991	7,842	10,678
1992	8,166	10,768
1993	8,717	11,196
1994	8,842	11,194
1995	9,116	11,216
1996	9,297	11,067
1997	9,556	11,091
1998	10,133	11,431
1999	11,302	12,478
2000	11,510	12,562
2001	12,336	13,129
2002	13,110	13,490
2003	13,687	13,687

¹ See notes at Table 2. (N/S) = No survey carried out

Table 5

Expenditure on R&D performed in UK businesses: broad product groups, in cash & real terms, 1995 to 2003

									£ million
In cash terms	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Manufacturing: Total	7,134	7,264	7,608	8,142	8,995	9,231	9,788	10,140	10,535
Chemicals	2,515	2,479	2,831	2,926	3,253	3,528	3,562	3,887	3,793
Mechanical engineering	660	668	709	730	712	776	907	826	1,032
Electrical machinery	1,245	1,313	1,181	1,320	1,335	1,558	1,599	1,565	1,449
Transport equipment	833	977	990	1,020	1,235	1,094	1,189	1,244	1,346
Aerospace	886	812	893	1,039	1,237	1,091	1,260	1,347	1,652
Other manufacturing	994	1,016	1,004	1,108	1,222	1,183	1,271	1,272	1,264
Services		1,736	1,652	1,668	1,972	1,905	2,280	2,645	2,876
Other: Total		296	295	323	335	374	268	324	276
Agriculture, hunting & forestry; Fi	ishing	76	84	102	115	135	96	122	121
Extractive industries	65	64	44	41	42	46	43	52	56
Electricity, gas & water supply	168	148	130	140	137	160	99	116	69
Construction	8	8	38	39	41	34	30	35	30
Total	9,116	9,297	9,556	10,133	11,302	11,510	12,336	13,110	13,687
In real terms (at 2003 prices)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Manufacturing: Total	8,777	8,647	8,830	9,185	9,931	10,075	10,417	10,434	10,535
Chemicals	3,094	2,951	3,286	3,301	3,591	3,850	3,791	4,000	3,793
Mechanical engineering	812	795	823	824	786	847	965	850	1,032
Electrical machinery	1,532	1,563	1,371	1,489	1,474	1,700	1,702	1,610	1,449
Transport equipment	1,025	1,163	1,149	1,151	1,364	1,194	1,265	1,280	1,346
Aerospace	1,090	967	1,036	1,172	1,366	1,191	1,341	1,386	1,652
Other manufacturing	1,223	1,209	1,165	1,250	1,349	1,291	1,353	1,309	1,264
Services		2,067	1,917	1,882	2,177	2,079	2,427	2,722	2,876
Other: Total		352	342	364	370	408	285	333	276
Agriculture, hunting & forestry; Fi	ishing	90	97	115	127	147	102	126	121
Extractive industries	80	76	51	46	46	50	46	54	56
Electricity, gas & water supply	207	176	151	158	151	175	105	119	69
Construction	10	10	44	44	45	37	32	36	30
Total	11,216	11,067	11,091	11,431	12,478	12,562	13,129	13,490	13,687

Notes

1 .. denotes disclosive figures.

Table 6 **Expenditure on civil and defence R&D performed by Business Enterprises, 1996 to 2003**

(i) in cash terms (£m)																
	Civil Defence															
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All product groups	7,937	8,112	8,600	9,626	9,838	10,513	11,461	11,739	1,360	1,443	1,533	1,675	1,671	1,824	1,649	1,948
Manufacturing: Total	5,997	6,303	6,725	7,376	7,582	8,089	8,626	8,754	1,268	1,305	1,417	1,619	1,649	1,699	1,514	1,781
Chemicals	2,477	2,829	2,926	3,252	3,527	3,562	3,885	3,793	2	2	-	1	-	_	2	_
Mechanical engineering	395	407	455	434	463	470	524	466	273	302	276	279	314	437	302	566
Electrical machinery	896	803	916	1,013	1,163	1,200	1,204	1,131	417	377	404	322	395	399	361	318
Transport equipment	967	979	983	1,159	1,023	1,106			10	11	36	77	71	82		
Aerospace	359	412	485	535	457	621	645	859	453	481	554	701	634	639	702	792
Other manufacturing	903	873	960	983	948	1,130			113	131	147	239	235	141		
Services	1,644	1,513	1,552	1,915	1,883	2,155	2,511	2,709	92	139	116	57	22	125	135	167
Other: Total	296	295	322	335	374	268	324	276	-	-	-	_	_	-	_	-
Agriculture, hunting &																
forestry; Fishing	76	84	102	115	135	96	122	121	_	_	-	-	-	-	-	_
Extractive industries	64	44	41	42	46	43	52	56	_	_	_	-	-	-	-	_
Electricity, gas & water																
supply	148	130	140	137	160	99	116	69	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	8	38	39	41	34	30	35	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) in real terms (£m	2003 pı	rices)¹														
			(Civil							De	efence				
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All product groups	9,448	9,415	9,702	10,628	10,737	11,189	11,793	11,739	1,619	1,675	1,729	1,849	1,824	1,941	1,697	1,948
Manufacturing: Total	7,139	7,316	7,587	8,144	8,275	8,609	8,876	8,754	1,509	1,515	1,599	1,787	1,800	1,808	1,558	1,781
Chemicals	2,949	3,283	3,301	3,590	3,849	3,791	3,998	3,793	2	2	-	1	-	-	2	_
Mechanical engineering	470	472	513	479	505	500	539	466	325	351	311	308	343	465	311	566
Electrical machinery	1,067	932	1,033	1,118	1,269	1,277	1,239	1,131	496	438	456	356	431	425	371	318
Transport equipment	1,151	1,136	1,109	1,280	1,116	1,177			12	13	41	85	77	87		
Aerospace	427	478	547	591	499	661	664	859	539	558	625	774	692	680	722	792
Other manufacturing	1,075	1,013	1,083	1,085	1,035	1,203			135	152	166	264	256	150		
Services	1,957	1,756	1,751	2,114	2,055	2,294	2,584	2,709	110	161	131	63	24	133	139	167
Other: Total	352	342	363	370	408	285	333	276	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	_
Agriculture, hunting &																
forestry; Fishing	90	97	115	127	147	102	126	121	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_
Extractive industries	76	51	46	46	50	46	54	56	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_
Electricity, gas & water																
supply	176	151	158	151	175	105	119	69	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_
Construction	10	44	44	45	37	32	36	30	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	_

Notes:

1 See table 2 for deflators

Table 7
Sources of funds for business enterprise R&D in cash terms, 1995 to 2003

£ million, cash terms

		Government	Overseas	Mainly own resources ¹	Total intramural R&D
		£m	£m	£m	£m
995		953	1,738	6,426	9,116
of which:	Civil	224	1,409	6,093	7,725
	Defence	729	329	333	1,391
996		842	2,018	6,438	9,297
of which:	Civil	150	1,715	6,074	7,937
	Defence	693	303	364	1,360
997		915	1,800	6,841	9,556
of which:	Civil	198	1,475	6,439	8,112
	Defence	717	325	401	1,443
998		1,094	2,238	6,800	10,133
of which:	Civil	307	1,857	6,435	8,600
	Defence	787	381	365	1,533
999		1,157	2,570	7,575	11,302
of which:	Civil	316	2,092	7,219	9,626
	Defence	841	478	356	1,675
2000		1,013	2,470	8,026	11,510
of which:	Civil	228	2,003	7,607	9,838
	Defence	785	467	419	1,671
2001		1,101	3,012	8,222	12,336
of which:	Civil	191	2,585	7,737	10,513
	Defence	911	427	486	1,824
2002		884	3,567	8,658	13,110
of which:	Civil	193	3,026	8,242	11,461
	Defence	691	541	417	1,649
2003		1,487	3,554	8,645	13,687
of which:	Civil	447	3,008	8,283	11,739
	Defence	1,040	546	362	1,948
		Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
995		10	19	70	100
of which:	Civil	3	18	79	100
	Defence	52	24	24	100
996		9	22	69	100
of which:	Civil	2	22	77	100
	Defence	51	22	27	100
997	2 0.00	10	 19	72	100
of which:	Civil	2	18	79	100
	Defence	50	23	28	100
998	Deterrice	11	22	67	100
of which:	Civil	4	22	75	100
vi vviiicii.	Defence	51	25	24	100
999	Defence	10	23	67	100
of which:	Civil	3	22	75	100
or vviiicii.	Defence	50	29	21	100
2000	Defence	9	21	70	100
of which:	Civil	2	20	70 77	100
ii vviiicii.					
0001	Defence	47	28	25 67	100
1001	Civil	9	24	67	100
of which:	Civil	2	25	74	100
002	Defence	50 7	23	27	100
2002	Civil	7	27	66	100
of which:	Civil	2	26	72	100
	Defence	42	33	25	100
2003	·	11	26	63	100
of which:	Civil Defence	<i>4</i> 53	26 28	71 19	100 100

¹ Mainly own resources includes Other Private sector funds which is shown separately in ONS's First Release for Business Enterprise R&D.

² See notes about revisions to past data.

Table 8 Intramural expenditure on R&D performed by UK businesses: detailed product groups, 1995 to 2003

								f	£ million
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	9,116	9,297	9,556	10,133	11,302	11,510	12,336	13,110	13,687
Agriculture, hunting and forestry; Fishing		76	84	102	115	135	96	122	121
Extractive Industries		64	44	41	42	46	43	52	56
Food products and beverages; Tobacco products	189	198	180	242	237	264	314	299	306
Textiles, clothing and leather products	23	27	33	33	28	29	17	19	20
Pulp, paper and paper products; printing and publishing;									
Wood and straw products	39	57	44	49	45	38	34	44	45
Refined petroleum products and coke oven products;									
Processing of nuclear fuel	239	230	225	234	212	182	250	258	277
Chemicals, man- made fibres	701	627	680	688	718	682	522	583	552
Pharmaceuticals, medical chemicals and botanical products	1,813	1,852	2,151	2,238	2,535	2,846	3,040	3,304	3,241
Rubber and plastic products	60	67	60	66	72	54	45	64	64
Other non-metallic mineral products	54	60	47	56	59		41	46	48
Casting of iron and steel	46	39	39	47	41		31	32	29
Non-ferrous metals	20	15	15	20	22	21	19	16	6
Fabricated metal products	100	91	88	90	70	73	64	59	60
Machinery and equipment	583	577	622	640	642	703	843	767	973
Office machinery and computers	150	161	102	125	111	113	105	146	58
Electrical machinery and apparatus	494	490	424	423	357	422	451	462	443
Radio, television and communication equipment	602	662	655	772	867	1,024	1,044	957	948
Precision instruments	303	307	336	340	473	480	488	442	400
Motor vehicles and parts	795	926	924	913	1,060	864	898	929	1,173
Other transport equipment	18	30	50	72	99	158	208		
Shipbuilding and repairs	20	20	15	36	76	72	83		
Aerospace	886	812	893	1,039	1,237	1,091	1,260	1,347	1,652
Furniture; Other manufactured goods	21	16	25	20	33	27	31	48	68
Recycling		1	-	-	1	1	1	3	2
Electricity, gas and water supply	168	148	130	140	137	160	99	116	69
Construction	8	8	38	39	41	34	30	35	30
Wholesale and retail trade							55	69	
Transport and storage							12	10	
Post and telecommunications	414	455	496	449	565	674	733	742	660
Miscellaneous business activities; Technical testing and analysis		141	142	157	196	131	242	360	288
Computer and related activities	675	749	680	688	713	611	725	888	1,323
Research and development services	247	369	313	346	448	428	495	558	465
Public administration	14	10	6	8	11	12	18	18	24

 ^{..} denotes disclosive figures.
 Zero denotes a value less than 0.5

³ See notes about revisions to past data.

Table 9
Current and capital expenditure, and as a percentage of the total, on R&D performed by UK Businesses: detailed product groups, 2003

	Total	Capital Total	Current Total	Salaries and wages	Other current	Total	Capital Total	Current Total	Salaries and wages	Other current
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
Total	13,687	1,210	12,476	6,090	6,386	100	9	91	44	47
Agriculture, hunting and forestry; Fishing	121	16	104	58	47	100	14	86	48	39
Extractive Industries	56	2	54	36	17	100	4	96	65	31
Food products and beverages; Tobacco pro	ducts 306	36	269	158	111	100	12	88	52	36
Textiles, clothing and leather products	20	13	7	4	3	100	65	35	20	14
Pulp, paper and paper products; Printing a	nd									
publishing; Wood and straw products	45	2	43	15	28	100	4	96	33	63
Refined petroleum products and coke over	า									
products; Processing of nuclear fuel	277	45	232	80	151	100	16	84	29	55
Chemicals, man-made fibres	552	43	509	271	238	100	8	92	49	43
Pharmaceuticals, medical chemicals and										
botanical products	3,241	490	2,751	1,236	1,515	100	15	85	38	47
Rubber and plastic products	64	6	58	25	33	100	10	90	39	51
Other non-metallic mineral products	48	4	44	24	20	100	8	92	50	42
Casting of iron and steel	29	0	28	15	13	100	2	98	53	45
Non-ferrous metals	6	1	5	3	3	100	11	89	44	45
Fabricated metal products	60	4	56	28	28	100	7	93	46	47
Machinery equipment	973	15	958	393	564	100	2	98	40	58
Office machinery and computers	58	1	57	29	28	100	2	98	50	49
Electrical machinery and apparatus	443	37	405	202	204	100	8	92	46	46
Radio, television and communication equi	oment 948	43	905	463	442	100	5	95	49	47
Precision instruments	400	47	354	208	146	100	12	88	52	36
Motor vehicles and parts	1,173	40	1,133	595	538	100	3	97	51	46
Other transport equipment						100				
Shipbuilding and repairs						100				
Aerospace	1,652	233	1,418	557	861	100	14	86	34	52
Furniture; Other manufactured goods	68	0	68	64	4	100	0	100	94	6
Recycling	2	0	2	2	1	100	2	98	73	25
Electricity, gas and water supply	69	6	63	48	14	100	9	91	71	21
Construction	30	1	29	18	11	100	3	97	60	37
Wholesale and retail trades		15			36	100				
Transport and storage		0			1	100				
Post and telecommunications	660	8	652	282	370	100	1	99	43	56
Miscellaneous business activities; Technica										
testing and analysis	288	16	273	166	106	100	5	95	58	37
Computer related activities	1,323	54	1,269	764	505	100	4	96	58	38
Research and development services	465	27	438	224	214	100	6	94	48	46
Public administration	24	4	21	4	17	100	15	85	17	68

¹ Zero denotes a value less than 0.5

^{2 ..} denotes disclosive figures.

Table 10 Total Net Government expenditure on R&D in cash terms and real terms, 1966/67 to 2003/04

£ million

	Total Net Gove	ernment R&D
	In cash terms	In real terms
	excluding	
Year	NHS figures	(2003=100)1
1966/67	486	5,903
1967/68	503	5,939
1968/69	531	5,986
1969/70	562	6,016
1970/71	606	5,988
1971/72	755	6,845
1972/73	847	7,087
1973/74	964	7,539
1974/75	1,169	7,649
1975/76	1,495	7,803
1976/77	1,647	7,579
1977/78	1,814	7,347
1978/79	2,097	7,652
1979/80	2,601	8,124
1980/81	3,184	8,417
1981/82	3,395	8,194
1982/83	3,519	7,933
1983/84	3,730	8,040
1984/85	3,964	8,120
1985/86	4,175	8,115
1986/87	4,516	8,505
1987/88	4,568	8,148
1988/89	4,656	7,763
1989/90	4,934	7,685
1990/91	5,130	7,406
1991/92	5,371	7,313
1992/93	5,078	6,695
1993/94	5,402	6,939
1994/95	5,200	6,584
1995/96 ²	5,295	6,515
1996/97 ²	5,442	6,478
1997/98 ²	5,507	6,391
1998/99 ²	5,349	6,034
1999/00 ²	5,709	6,303
2000/01 ²	6,027	6,577
2001/02 ²	6,329	6,736
2002/03 ²	7,618	7,839
2002/03 2003/04 ²	7,893	7,893

See note at Table 2.
 Figures for NHS are available in SET 2004 (ref 1).

Table 11

Analysis of Government Intramural expenditure, 2003/04^{1,2}

£ million

			eakdown of o cati R&D exp					
	Current expenditure	Basic	Applied	Experimental development	Capital expenditure	Total intramural	SSH	NSE
OST – DTI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Research Councils								
BBSRC	146.4	53.5	92.9	_	26.4	172.8	_	172.8
ESRC	6.0	6.0	_	_	1.0	6.9	6.9	-
MRC	222.6	143.8	78.8	_	26.5	249.1	_	249.1
NERC	140.3	81.0	46.0	13.3	25.3	165.7	_	165.7
EPSRC	18.6	9.7	8.9	_	0.8	19.4	_	19.4
PPARC	31.5	28.4	3.2	_	5.1	36.6	_	36.6
CCLRC	124.4	30.8	93.5	-	27.5	151.8	_	151.8
Total OST & Research Councils	689.8	353.2	323.3	13.3	112.5	802.3	6.9	795.4
Higher Education Funding Council	s –	-	-	-	-	-	_	_
Total Higher Education Funding	g Councils–	-	-	_	-	-	-	_
Civil departments								
DEFRA	97.6	19.6	76.8	1.2	4.0	101.6	0.9	100.7
DFES	6.7	0.0	3.0	3.7	_	6.7	6.7	_
ODPM	4.7	0.1	4.5	0.1	_	4.7	3.3	1.4
DFT	3.4	0.0	3.0	0.3	_	3.4	0.4	2.9
DH (includes NHS)	32.5	_	25.8	6.8	1.9	34.4	0.7	33.7
NHS(3)	_	-	-	_	_	_	_	-
DWP (formerly DSS)	5.9	5.9	-	_	_	5.9	5.9	-
HSC	5.3	-	5.0	0.3	0.3	5.6	0.6	5.0
НО	42.9	31.0	11.9	_	1.0	43.9	32.2	11.6
DCMS (formerly DNH)	15.3	9.9	5.3	_	0.3	15.5	2.7	12.9
DFID (formerly ODA)	1.7	-	1.7	_	_	1.7	1.3	0.4
DTI (ex OST)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
FSA	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	_
NI	6.5	0.3	5.9	0.3	0.5	7.0	0.5	6.6
SE (formerly SO)	60.7	44.5	14.3	1.8	0.5	61.2	2.3	58.9
NAW (formerly WO)	8.5	0.9	6.9	0.6	-	8.5	5.8	2.7
Other departments	30.2	1.2	19.5	9.6	2.9	33.1	11.6	21.6
Total civil departments	321.9	113.7	183.6	24.7	11.3	333.3	74.9	258.4
Total civil R&D	1,011.7	466.9	506.8	38.0	123.8	1,135.5	81.8	1,053.8
MOD	379.9	-	163.9	216.0	-	379.9	_	379.9
 Total	1,391.6	466.9	670.7	254.0	123.8	1,515.4	81.8	1,433.6

¹ Excludes Research Councils' pensions/other costs.

² Includes intramural R&D funded by other departments.

³ NHS expenditure figures are now reported as extramural.

⁴ Full departmental titles can be found under "Abbreviations" in the "Definitions" section.

Table 12 Analysis of net Government R&D expenditure by Frascati type of research activity, 1995/96 to 2003/04¹

									£ million
	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04
Total Government R&D									
Basic - pure	1,273	1,322	1,334	1,369	1,467	1,666	1,964	2,228	2,487
- orientated	504	524	523	535	566	620	683	718	768
Applied - strategic	1,004	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,308	1,394	1,446
- specific	1,322	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,156	1,351	1,409
Experimental development	1,530	1,693	1,852	1,697	1,862	1,818	1,638	2,362	2,268
Total £m	5,634	5,840	5,894	5,739	6,099	6,425	6,748	8,052	8,379
Civil R&D									
Basic - pure	1,273	1,322	1,334	1,369	1,467	1,666	1,964	2,228	2,487
- orientated	504	524	523	535	566	620	682	718	768
Applied - strategic	839	948	923	875	985	1,097	1,157	1,268	1,316
- specific	813	681	698	704	667	657	750	962	1,014
Experimental development	136	131	102	116	141	145	137	144	116
Total £m	3,565	3,606	3,580	3,599	3,827	4,185	4,691	5,318	5,702
Defence R&D									
Basic - pure	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
- orientated	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Applied - strategic	166	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	151	127	129
- specific	510	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	406	389	395
Experimental development	1,394	1,562	1,750	1,581	1,721	1,673	1,500	2,218	2,153
Total £m	2,070	2,234	2,314	2,140	2,272	2,240	2,057	2,734	2,677

¹ For the purpose of this analysis Research Councils expenditure for Pensions/Other costs have been excluded from 1994–95 onwards. 2 Includes NHS estimates for all years (ref 1)

Table 13

Government and business enterprise personnel engaged on R&D in the UK, 1995 to 2003

Full time equivalents, thousands

	1005	1000	1007	1000	1000	2000	2001	2002		Percentage change in
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2003 from 2002
Personnel engaged on R&D										
- Business Enterprise	145	142	137	148	153	145	152	167	163	-2
- Research Councils	12	12	11	11	11	11	12	11	11	1
- Government Departments ¹	17	16	15	18	18	19	12	10	10	-1
Total Civil	143	141	135	145	149	144	147	158	155	-2
Total Defence	31	29	28	32	33	31	29	30	29	-3
Researchers										
- Business Enterprise	82	82	83	91	92	86	93	105	103	-2
- Research Councils	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	-1
 Government Departments¹ 	8	8	7	9	10	10	5	4	4	6
Total Civil	78	78	78	87	87	82	85	94	94	0
Total Defence	17	17	17	19	20	19	19	20	18	-10
Technicians										
- Business Enterprise	33	33	30	32	33	30	28	30	27	-11
- Research Councils	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	-13
- Government Departments ¹	4	3	3	4	4	4	3	3	3	-5
Total Civil	33	33	29	32	32	30	28	30	27	-10
Total Defence	7	6	6	7	7	7	6	6	5	-14
Admin & Other Staff										
- Business Enterprise	29	27	24	24	28	30	31	32	33	4
- Research Councils	4	4	3	3	3	3	4	3	4	16
- Government Departments ¹	5	5	4	5	5	5	4	3	3	-7
Total Civil	33	29	27	27	30	33	34	34	34	-1
Total Defence	7	6	5	6	6	5	4	4	6	41

¹ Excludes NHS employment, as these figures were not available.

Table 14

Estimated GOR breakdown of expenditure on Intramural R&D in the Business,
Government and Higher Education sectors, 2003¹

£ million

	R&D performed within business (BERD)	R&D performed within Government Establishments (GOVERD) ²	R&D performed within Higher Education Institutions (HERD)
United Kingdom	13,687	2,010	4,457
North East	281	2	158
North West	1,559	54	363
Yorkshire and the Humber	382	134	347
East Midlands	929	22	223
West Midlands	587	38	228
East of England	3,453	336	412
London	771	279	1,069
South East	3,464	583	614
South West	1,359	231	192
England	12,786	1,678	3,606
Wales	264	43	175
Scotland	521	271	575
Northern Ireland	116	17	100

Note:

Table 15

Estimated regional breakdown of personnel engaged on R&D in the Business and Government sectors, 2003¹

	R&D performed within business		R&D performed v Government establis	
	Full time equivalents 000's	Percentage of the regional Labour Force ^{3, 4}	Full time equivalents 000's	Percentage of the regional Labour Force ^{3, 4}
United Kingdom	162.9	0.57	21.3	0.07
North East	3.5	0.31	0.0	0.00
North West	16.7	0.53	0.6	0.02
Yorkshire and the Humber	6.3	0.27	1.4	0.06
East Midlands	14.2	0.68	0.2	0.01
West Midlands	9.0	0.36	0.4	0.02
East of England	37.1	1.36	3.6	0.13
London	9.0	0.25	3.0	0.08
South East	39.6	0.98	6.2	0.15
South West	13.7	0.56	2.4	0.10
England	148.9	0.62	17.7	0.07
Wales	3.6	0.27	0.5	0.03
Scotland	7.4	0.30	2.9	0.12
Northern Ireland	2.9	0.41	0.2	0.03

^{1.} Regional GDP figures are not available at time of publication and therefore it is not possible to show R&D expenditure as a percentage of regional GDP.

^{2.} Figures include estimates for those areas of Central Government not available from the Government Survey and local authorities.

¹ Regional breakdown is based on the GOR (Government Office Region) classification.

² Government sector covers Central Government only. Local Authorities, NHS and those areas of Central Government not available from the Government survey are excluded

³ Labour Force figure used is a head count. An estimate of the Labour Force in full-time equivalents (FTE) is not available. Using the head count figure gives a lower percentage than a FTE would give. Labour Force figures relate to those in employment, rather than all those economically active.

⁴ Labour Force figures are for Spring 2004.

Table 16

OECD Science and Technology indicators Gross Expenditure on R&D: International Comparisons, 1995 to 2003

	Year	UK	Germany	France	Italy	Japan ¹	Canada	USA ²
Gross Domestic Product (GDP) ³	1995	728.7	1,094.5	768.5	742.1	1,757.9	408.4	4,566.1
(£ billion at ppp) ⁴	1996	773.4	1,140.2	801.1	775.9	1,865.7	425.8	4,861.5
(L billion at ppp)	1997	822.8	1,160.0	837.1	793.0	1,923.3	449.3	5,144.0
	1998	868.4		891.2	847.8		480.5	
			1,215.6			1,954.1		5,509.1
	1999	919.1	1,269.6	940.5	881.7	2,015.8	523.2	5,934.9
	2000	961.9	1,308.4	981.6	913.3	2,092.5	544.0	6,175.6
	2001	1,004.1	1,325.8	1,022.9	928.3	2,122.5	559.2	6,284.5
	2002	1,058.1	1,341.3	1,034.9	932.3	2,115.3	566.2	6,366.2
	2003	1,116.7	1,386.4	1,061.5	956.9	2,247.2	597.6	6,789.7
Gross Expenditure on R&D (GERD) 1995	14.0	24.6 (e)	17.8	7.4	47.3	7.0	114.5
(£ billion at ppp)⁴	1996	14.4	25.6 (e)	18.4	7.8	-	7.1	123.8
. 1117	1997	14.7	26.6	18.6 (a)	8.3 (a)	-	7.6	132.6
	1998	15.5	28.1 (e)	19.3	9.0	-	8.6	143.7 (a)
	1999	17.0	30.9	20.5	9.2	_	9.5	157.1
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	2000	17.7	32.6	21.4 (a)	9.8		10.5	167.7
	2001	18.6	33.2	22.8	10.3	-	11.6	171.4
	2002	19.8	34.0	23.4	10.8	-	11.1	169.1 (p)
	2003	20.8	35.4 (e)	23.3 (p)	-	-	11.6 (p)	176.4 (p)
GERD as a percentage of GDP	1995	1.93	2.25 (e)	2.31	1.00	2.69	1.72	2.51
	1996	1.86	2.25 (e)	2.30	1.01		1.68	2.55
	1997	1.78	2.29	2.22 (a)	1.05 (a)		1.68	2.58
	1998	1.78	2.31 (e)	2.17	1.07		1.79	2.61 (a)
	1999	1.85	2.44	2.18	1.04		1.82	2.65
	2000	1.84	2.49	2.18 (a)	1.07		1.93	2.72
	2001	1.85	2.51	2.23	1.11		2.08	2.73
	2002 2003	1.87 1.86	2.53 2.55 (e)	2.26 2.19 (p)	1.16 		1.96 1.94 (p)	2.66 (p) 2.60 (p)
BERD as a percentage of GDP	1995	1.25	1.49	1.41	0.53	1.89	1.00	1.80
	1996	1.20	1.48 (e)	1.41	0.54		0.97	1.86
	1997	1.16	1.54	1.39 (a)	0.52		1.01	1.91
	1998	1.17	1.57 (e)	1.35	0.52		1.08	1.95
	1999	1.23	1.70	1.38	0.51		1.08	1.98
	2000	1.20	1.75	1.36	0.53		1.16	2.04
	2001	1.23	1.75	1.41 (a)	0.55		1.27	1.99
	2002	1.24	1.75	1.43	0.56		1.09	1.87 (p)
	2003	1.23	1.78 (e)	1.36 (p)	0.55 (p)		1.03 (p)	1.79 (p)
COVERD as a marrow to us of CDD	1005	0.20	0.25	0.40	0.21	0.20	0.25	0.24
GOVERD as a percentage of GDP	1995	0.28	0.35	0.48	0.21	0.28	0.25	0.24
	1996	0.28	0.34	0.47	0.20		0.25	0.22
	1997	0.24	0.34	0.41 (a)	0.20		0.22	0.21
	1998	0.24	0.34	0.40	0.22		0.22	0.20
	1999	0.23	0.34	0.40	0.20		0.22	0.20
	2000	0.23	0.34	0.38 (a)	0.20		0.22	0.19
	2001	0.18	0.34	0.37	0.20		0.22	0.21
	2002	0.17	0.35	0.37	0.20		0.22	0.23 (p)
	2003	0.18	0.34 (e)	0.37 (p)	0.21 (p)		0.21 (p)	0.24 (p)
HEDD (CDC	1005					0.22		
HERD as a percentage of GDP	1995	0.37	0.41	0.39	0.25	0.39	0.46	0.38
	1996	0.36	0.42	0.39	0.27		0.45	0.37
	1997	0.35	0.41	0.39 (a)	0.32 (a)		0.45	0.37
	1998	0.35	0.40	0.38	0.34		0.49	0.36 (a)
	1999	0.36	0.40	0.37	0.33		0.53	0.37
	2000	0.38	0.40	0.41 (a)	0.33		0.55	0.37
	2001	0.40	0.41	0.42	0.36		0.59	0.39
	2001	0.42	0.41	0.43	0.38		0.55	
		0.42		0.43 0.42 (p)	0.30		0.63 0.69 (p)	0.42 (p)
	2003		0.43 (e)					0.44 (p)

Source: OECD databank (June 2005)

- 1 Data for Japan are adjusted by OECD.
- 2 Excludes most or all capital expenditure.
- 3 The measure of GDP used is at market prices.
- 4 Amounts are converted to £ sterling using the purchasing power parities (ppp) developed by the OECD.
- (a) = break in series with previous year
- (p) = provisional

⁽e) = estimate

Table 17
International comparison of gross expenditure on R&D by sector of performance and source of funding, 2003

Per cent

	UK	Germany ¹	France (p) ²	Italy³	Japan (e) ⁴	Canada (p)	USA (p)⁵
Percentage by sector of perform	nance						
Government	8.8	13.4	17.1	17.6	10.4	11.0	9.1
Business enterprise	66.2	69.8	62.3	48.3	70.3	53.0	68.9
Higher education	22.3	16.8	19.3	32.8	14.5	35.7	16.8
Other	2.7		1.4	1.3	4.8	0.3	5.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage by source of funds							
Government	27.8	31.1	38.4	50.8	20.9	34.5	31.2
Business enterprise	46.1	66.1	52.1	43.0	72.3	47.5	63.1
Abroad	20.2	2.3	8.0	6.2	0.1	8.1	
Other ⁶	5.8	0.4	1.6		6.7	9.9	5.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: OECD databank (June 2005)

Notes:

- 1 Data for "other" included elsewhere.
- 2 Source of funds data for France are for 2002.
- 3 For Italy, sector of performance data are for 2002 and source of funds data are for 1996.
- 4 Data for Japan are OECD estimates and are for 1995.
- 5 Excludes most or all capital expenditure.
- 6 For UK data, "Other" consists of Higher Education & Private Non-Profit expenditure. For the remaining countries, "Other" represents other national sources. (p) = provisional
- (e) = estimate

Table 18 **R&D performed in the Business Enterprise sector (BERD), 1995 to 2003**

£ billion at ppp1

Year	UK	Germany	France	Italy	Japan ²	Canada	USA ³
1995	9.1	16.3	10.8	4.0	33.2	4.1	82.2
1996	9.3	16.9 (e)	11.3	4.2	_	4.1	90.6
1997	9.6	17.9	11.6 (a)	4.2	_	4.5	98.2
1998	10.1	19.1 (e)	12.0	4.4	_	5.2	107.2
1999	11.3	21.6	12.9	4.5	_	5.6	117.7
2000	11.5	22.9	13.4	4.9	_	6.3	126.2
2001	12.3	23.2	14.4 (a)	5.1	_	7.1	125.1
2002	13.1	23.5	14.8	5.2	_	6.1	118.7
2003	13.7	24.7 (e)	14.5 (p)	5.3 (p)	-	6.1 (p)	121.6

Source: OECD databank (June 2005)

- 1 Amounts are converted to £ sterling using the purchasing power parities (ppp) developed by the OECD.
- 2 Data for Japan are adjusted by OECD.
- 3 Excludes most or all capital expenditure.
- (a) = break in series with previous year
- (p) = provisional
- (e) = estimate

Table 19
International comparison of Government funding of R&D in 2003 by socio-economic objective (percentage distribution)¹

							Per cent
	UK	Germany (p)	France (p)	Italy (p)	Japan ²	Canada	USA ³
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	3.3	1.9	2.0	1.9	3.3	7.8	2.1
Industrial development	5.2	12.3	6.4	10.2	7.2	13.0	0.4
Energy	0.3	3.0	4.0	3.6	17.2	4.0	1.1
Infrastructure	1.4	1.8	0.5	0.4	4.1	3.1	1.5
Environmental protection	1.8	3.3	3.0	2.3	0.9	4.5	0.5
Health	13.7	4.2	5.1	7.0	4.0	16.4	22.7
Social development and services	3.2	4.9	8.0	4.4	0.7	3.2	1.2
Earth and atmosphere	2.1	1.7	0.9	1.9	1.7	2.8	0.8
Advancement of knowledge	35.2	54.8	44.7	57.0	49.7	34.9	5.8
Civil space	1.6	5.0	8.2	7.3	6.7	5.5	7.9
Defence	31.9	6.5	22.8	4.0	4.5	3.6	56.1
Not elsewhere classified	0.5	0.6	1.6	-	-	1.2	_
Per cent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total £ million ⁴	8,407	11,140	11,410	6,436	16,213	3,893	73,199

Source: OECD databank (June 2005)

¹ Data for Italy are for 2001.

² Data for Japan are OECD estimates.

³ Excludes most or all capital expenditure.

⁴ Amounts are converted to £ sterling using the purchasing power parities (ppp) developed by the OECD.

⁽p) = provisional

Analysis of revisions to quarterly current account balance of payments data

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An analysis of revisions has been made to Balance of Payments (BoP) quarterly current account data between 1996 Q4 and 2001 Q3. This article looks at the current account, focusing on revisions to current account credits and debits and how these influence revisions to the current account balance. The article also explores the chronological evolution of revisions and revisions to current account components and provides explanation for the more prominent revisions over the period analysed.

Summary

- Revisions to quarterly current account balance data occurring between first publication and three years after publication, using estimates first published between 1996 Q4 and 2001 Q3, are not shown to be statistically significantly different from zero. The mean overall revision over this period is –£1.2 billion.
- Within current account credits revisions are not significantly different from zero over the same period. Credits are revised up by an average £1.2 billion.
- For debits, revisions are not significant at the testing level used. Debits are revised up by an average £2.4 billion.
- For credits and debits the most sizeable single revision is the first. For credits the average first revision is upward £0.4 billion and for debits the average revision is also upward, £0.5 billion.
- For credits, the components trade in goods and trade in services are significantly different to zero. For trade in goods estimates have been revised up on average £0.3 billion. For services the average revision is £1.9 billion, revisions in all periods are upward.
- For debits significance only exists in the trade in goods component. The average revision is upward £0.9 billion.

Background

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) now regularly publishes information on revisions in the background notes of First Releases (ONS, 2005). In addition, statistical analyses of past revisions are being conducted. An article looking at revisions to quarterly GDP growth and its production and expenditure components (George, 2005) was published in *Economic Trends* in January 2005 and similar articles for other areas within National Accounts are being published. An analysis of past revisions to UK Trade statistics was published on the National Statistics website in February 2005 (Ruffles, 2005).

Introduction

A revision is the difference between a first published estimate and subsequent estimates of the same series. Revisions are a measure of the reliability of estimates. Changes may be due to the availability of more reliable data sources, improved methods or some combination of the two.

In addition, the UK implemented new international standards during the period analysed which led to changes in the current account components. These

introductions, particularly BPM5 in September 1998, resulted in large revisions. It is evident, in later analysis, that revisions in the 1996 Q4–1998 Q1 period are largely attributed to the adoption of BPM5. It can be argued that a fairer analysis would be possible if these values were stripped out, starting the data frame in 1998 Q2 for example. This would reduce the number of periods with complete data from 20 quarters to 14. We have retained the earlier periods in this analysis as a wider data frame is considered to be of greater benefit. Twenty quarters is the duration used in similar analyses for other areas of National Accounts.

Balance of Payments estimates are published quarterly. The major revisions observed are those between first published estimates and estimates three years later. Complete data, periods for which three years of revisions exist, is available for 20 quarters, 1996 Q4 to 2001 Q3. Revisions to initial estimates are tested to determine whether they are significantly different from zero, that is, to determine whether the pattern of revisions may have occurred by chance rather than because of systematic over or under estimation of earlier estimates (see methodology section for details of testing methods used). This article focuses initially on revisions to the current account balance then looks at credits and debits for the current account and individual components within.

Data

Quarterly estimates are used from 1996 Q4. Estimates are available for all periods until 2004 Q3. Data is assumed to be mature after three years. When mature a point in the series is not expected to change due to source data, changes to data after it matures are attributed to methodological improvements. This three year period can be considered by main stages, key events within the period that may affect revisions. These are as follows:

- Time from first publication to the point at which first revisions are made (R1), the next release of quarterly estimates. The initial revision is a key indicator of the quality of estimates, the most important revision.
- The period between the first revision and the first time estimates appear in the Pink Book (PB1). For some quarters these events occur at the same time. By the time of Pink Book publication more comprehensive annual data sets are available.
- The period between the publication of the first Pink Book (PB1) and publication of the second Pink Book (PB2) after initial publication of estimates. Further methodological improvements may be made when subsequent Pink Books are published.
- The stage between publication of the second Pink Book and the three year estimate. Picks up any further changes made before estimates mature.

Methodology

Revisions to a series are considered to be significant if the mean revision is statistically different from zero. T-tests are used to establish significance. In this analysis mean revisions (the average size of revisions over the last five years) and mean absolute revisions (giving the average size of revisions over the last five years as an indication of the reliability of the latest figures) are presented, as is the critical t-value used in each test. The significance test relates to the mean revision. The hypothesis tested is that the mean of the revisions is equal to zero. If there is evidence to reject this hypothesis, that is, the t-statistic is greater than the critical value, the mean revision is statistically different from zero. Tests presented in this analysis are conducted at the 5 per cent level. When successive revisions in a series are not independent, a modified t-test is used. A technical description of the modified t-statistic is given in the Economic Trends article 'Revisions Information in ONS First Releases' (Jenkinson, 2004). The modified t-test makes use of the term α , serial correlation. Use of the standard t-test would overstate the significance of results for a series that is not independent.

T-tests are based on the assumption that the underlying distribution is Normal. Looking at the distribution of total revisions, up to three years after first publication, to the current account balance it is evident that an approximate bell shaped distribution exists (Figure 1).

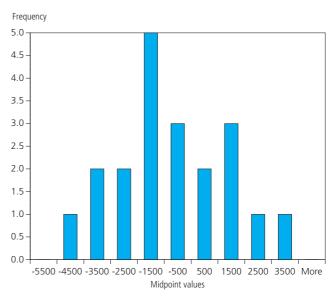
A Jarque Bera test is used to check for suitability of fit to Normal. With a null hypothesis that the Normal distribution is a good fit for the data, a p-value of 0.53 provides no basis on which to reject this hypothesis. Thus the use of t-tests is appropriate.

Reasons for revisions

Revisions are made for a number of reasons. These can influence the magnitude of and number of periods affected by revisions. Details of major revisions are included in First Releases. Large changes occur during the quarters in which Pink Books are published, due to methodological changes and as more accurate results become available for surveys and inquiries. The largest revisions in the period analysed can be attributed to methodological changes.

Figure 1

Histogram showing distribution of current account balance revisions follow a normal distribution



During the period analysed the following major revisions due to methodological changes were undertaken:

- September 1998. Balance of payments data in the UK followed the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Balance of Payments Manual fifth edition (BPM5) for the first time. This involved restructuring of the current account. There were also changes to the definition of the UK; Channel Islands and the Isle of Man were excluded from UK data.
- September 2001. Further methodological changes. Trade in goods data was affected by the inclusion of estimates for smuggled goods and financial services data was presented on a gross basis, rather than a net basis, for the first time. Income figures were revised down as a result of the implementation of new international standards for treatment of interest rate swap settlement receipts and payments and with the incorporation of improved methodology for delivering interest payments and receipts between the UK and the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man. Current transfers were also revised down due to reestimation of tax paid on Foreign Direct investment (FDI).
- June 2002. Reassessment of data available on insurance premiums, as a result of the events of 11 September 2001, affects current transfer credits and debits and trade in services balance in 2001 Q3.
- September 2003. Pink Book 2003 published. Missing Trader Intra-Community fraud (MTIC) affects trade in goods and an expansion of the annual International Trade in Services (ITIS) survey leads to upward revisions for trade in services.

The following is an example of revisions due to availability of later data:

December 2003. Corrected contributor information for 1999–2002 was submitted to the Bank of England. Income changes also reflected the inclusion of annual benchmark data from direct investment and financial inquiries for 2002 only.

Characteristics of revisions to BoP current account

Credits and debits

Figures 2 and 3 show revisions over three years to current account credits and debits respectively. It is clear that revisions within the current account do not have a large impact on credits or debits overall. The largest single revision to credits is upward, in the region of £7 billion in 1998 Q1. For the debit account the largest revision in 1997 Q2 is upwards £6.1 billion. This contrasts with account totals of over £80 billion.

Total revisions can be broken down to reveal their evolution over time. This is displayed in terms of contributions at each of the main stages, Figures 4 and 5 expand on the bars in Figures 2 and 3 respectively.

Table 1 shows that revisions to current account credits are not significant overall or at any of the main stages. The largest average revision occurs between R1 and PB1, this is influenced by large upward revisions at this stage between 1996 Q4 and 1998 Q1. A single large first revision in 1998 Q1 keeps the first to R1 average high. A lesser number of upward revisions occur at the PB1 to PB2 stage, leading to a downward average revision.

Average revisions to current account debits are upward at all main stages (Table 2). Largest revisions to debits occur between first publication and PB1 in 65 per cent of periods. Overall revisions are not judged to be significantly different from zero, neither are they at any of the main stages.

Upward revisions in early periods are largely attributable to one stage (Figures 4 and 5), closer inspection of revisions triangles show the revisions up to 1998 Q1 are mainly influenced by changes implemented in September 1998, due to the introduction of BPM5.

Figure 2

Current account credits revisions, first published estimate to three years later

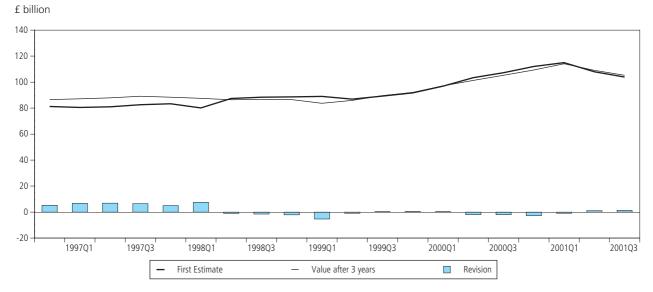


Table 1

Current account credits testing for significance by stage

£ billion

Credits	Mean Absolute Revision	Mean Revision	Sig?	t-statistic	Critical t value
First to R1	1.11	0.40	No	0.88	2.09
R1 to PB1	1.86	0.86	No	0.55	2.36
PB1 to PB2	1.04	-0.12	No	-0.29	2.09
PB2 to three year	0.37	0.02	No	0.09	2.14
First to three year	2.98	1.16	No	0.52	2.45

Table 2

Current account debits testing for significance by stage

£ billion

Debits	Mean Absolute Revision	Mean Revision	Sig?	t-statistic	Critical t value
First to R1	0.74	0.52	No	1.56	2.10
R1 to PB1	1.76	1.09	No	1.04	2.23
PB1 to PB2	0.73	0.31	No	1.18	2.09
PB2 to three year	0.80	0.47	No	1.84	2.09
First to three year	2.75	2.39	No	1.97	2.31

Balance

Figure 6 shows the revisions to quarterly BoP current account balance estimates. A maximum positive revision of £2.8 billion occurred in reference period 1998 Q1 and a maximum downward revision of –£4.7 billion in reference period 2000 Q4. Since reference period 1998 Q2 all balance revisions have been downwards, except for a slight positive revision in 2000 Q1.

Small revisions to the balance may conceal large revisions in both credits and debits. Figure 7 shows trends within credits and debits and how these contribute to current account balance revisions.

In 65 per cent of periods credits and debits are revised in the same direction (Figure 7). For initial periods, 1996 Q4 to 1998 Q1, upward revisions to the balance are due to greater upward revisions to credits than to debits. Since 1998 Q2, with the exception of 2000 Q1, all balance revisions have been downward and due to greater upward revisions (or smaller downward revisions) to debits than to credits. It is interesting to note that whilst revisions between 1996 Q4 and 1998 Q1 were uncharacteristically large for both credits and debits, they are similar in size to revisions for all other periods, though in the opposite direction, in the current account balance. This illustrates that while large credit and debit revisions during early periods can be mainly attributed to implementation of BPM5, the changes were across the whole account and led to similar sized revisions for both credits and debits and consequently had less affect on the current account balance.

Figure 3

Current account debits revisions, first published estimate to three years later

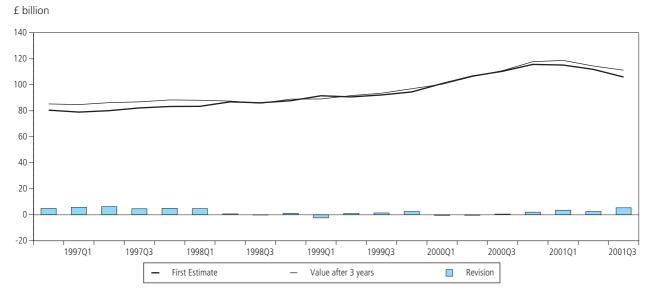


Figure 4

Contribution to current account credit revisions by stage

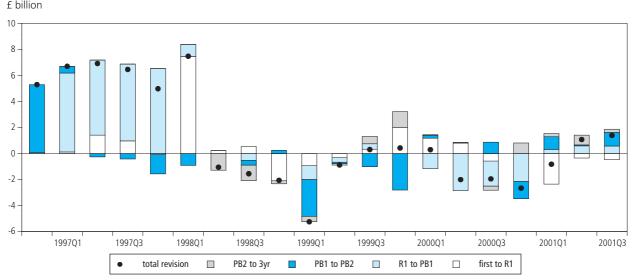


Figure 5

Contribution to current account debit revisions by stage

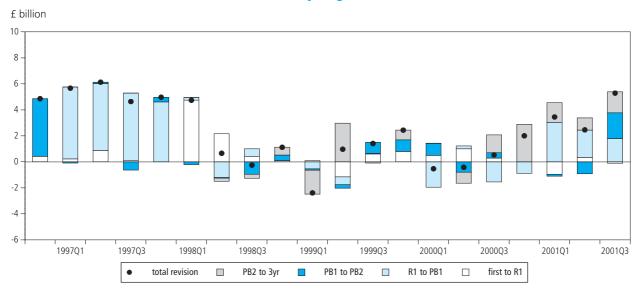


Figure 6 **Current account balance revisions, first published estimate to three years later**

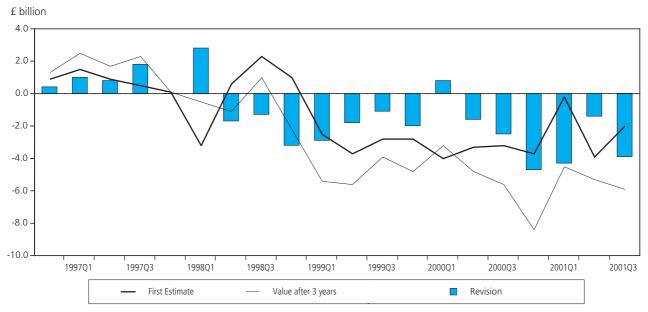


Figure 8 looks at the construction of current account balance revisions over time, expanding the bars from Figure 6. In four of the twenty periods under examination the largest revision occurs between first publication and the first revision; 1997 Q3, 1998 Q1, 1998 Q2 and 1998 Q4. The initial revision makes a substantial contribution in a majority of the other periods. It is also noted that in 75 per cent of periods the overall revision is in the same direction as the first revision. For a further seven reference periods, the largest contribution to the overall revision occurs between R1 and PB1. In five of the periods the largest revisions occur during the PB1–PB2 stage. The largest upward revision, 1998 Q1, was revised upwards by £2.7 billion at the first revision. The largest downward revision, 2000 Q4, was revised downward in each

of three stages; R1–PB1, PB1–PB2 and PB2 – three years after publication. The greatest absolute revision, the sum of revisions at all stages regardless of direction, occurred in 2001 Q1; downward revisions occurred in the periods first – R1, R1–PB1 and PB2 to three years after initial publication, and an upward revision of £1.1 billion during the PB1–PB2 stage.

Table 3 shows that mean revisions at all stages are negative. The revisions in the current account balance are not statistically different from zero overall or at any of the main stages. This is most likely prevented due to upward overall revisions in early periods and upward revisions at one or more of the main stages across most periods.

Figure 7

Overall revisions to current account; credits, debits and balance

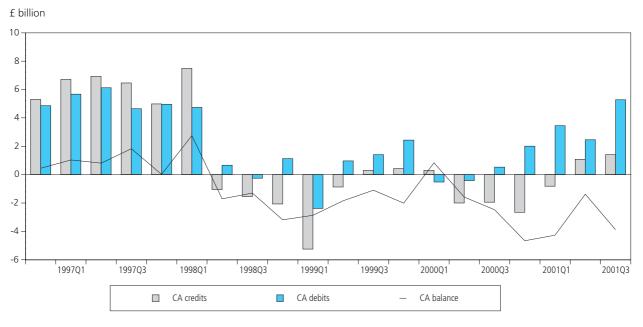


Figure 8

Contribution to current account balance revisions by stage

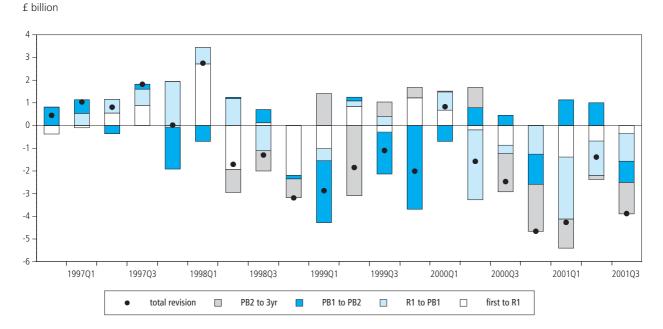


Table 3

Current account balance testing for significance by stage

£ billion

Balance	Mean Absolute Revision	Mean Revision	Sig?	t-statistic	Critical t value
First to R1	0.82	-0.12	No	-0.50	2.09
R1 to PB1	0.95	-0.23	No	-0.58	2.12
PB1 to PB2	1.00	-0.42	No	-1.30	2.09
PB2 to three year	0.79	-0.45	No	-1.90	2.09
First to three year	2.00	-1.23	No	-1.52	2.18

Components of the current account

Credits and debits

The current account comprises four main components:

- trade in goods
- trade in services
- income
- current transfers.

Revisions are examined in terms of these components. Figures 9 and 10, provide an alternative analysis of the bars from Figures 2 and 3. Revisions at component level are initially examined over the full three-year period.

The largest contribution to average current account credit revisions comes from trade in services, £1.9 billion. The largest negative average revision occurs to income credits, –£0.9 billion. Tests show revisions to be significantly different

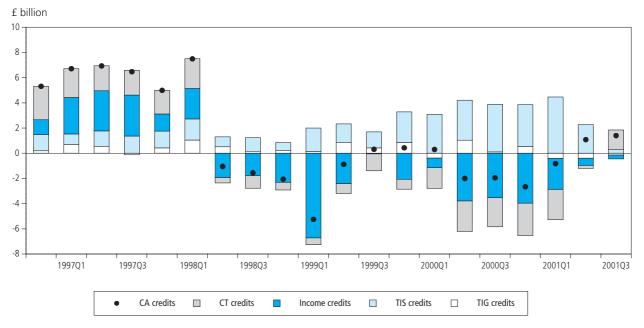
from zero for trade in goods and trade in services. All revisions to trade in services are upward as are a majority of those made to trade in goods credits. Income and current transfers have a number of large negative revisions which lead to results overall not being significant.

For all components of current account credits the largest average contributory stage is that between first publication and publication of PB1, and the greatest revision within this period is that between first publication and R1. The slightest changes are made post PB2.

The following observations are made about current account credit components:

- Revisions for *goods* credits are significantly different from zero overall and specifically between the first publication-PB1 period. The average revision overall is upward £0.3 billion, with upward average revisions of £0.2 billion between first publication and R1 and in the R1–PB1 period. Average revisions during later stages are small but downward, £0.03 billion in the PB1–PB2 period and £0.01 at the post PB2 stage.
- Service revisions are also significant over the first publication three year period, average revision £1.88 billion, with statistical significance shown in the PB1–PB2 and PB 2–3 year periods. Average revisions at all stages are upward. Services data is subject to input-output balancing which often leads to upward revisions to exports and imports at both the PB1–PB2 and PB2–three yr stages. Revisions in the earliest periods, 1996 Q4–1998 Q1, are attributed to the implementation of BPM5. Changes to the reporting of financial services figures, implemented in September 2001, from net to gross affects revisions between 1998 Q2 and 2001 Q1. Revisions between 2000 Q2 and 2001 Q3 are also due to revisions made in September 2003 to account for the expansion of ITIS.
- There is no significance at any stage for *income* credits. Average revisions are downward at all stages, largest

Figure 9 **Current Account credits revisions by component**



between first publication and PB1, average –£0.4 billion, and only slightly smaller in the PB1–PB2 period, –£0.4 billion. The upward revisions between 1996 Q4 and 1998 Q1 are largely due to the introduction of BPM5, revisions between 1998 Q2 and 2001 Q1 are affected by the reclassification of interest rate swaps in September 2001.

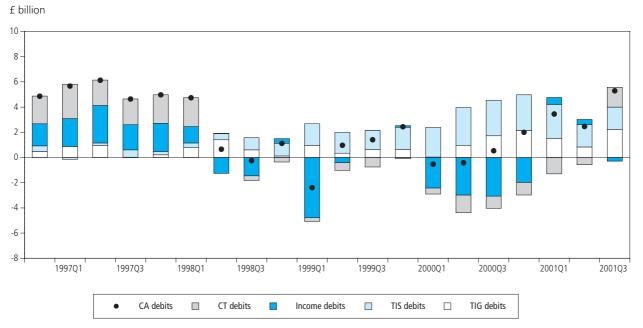
Revisions to *current transfers* do not show significance at any of the main stages. The average revision between first and third year for current transfers is small and negative, – £0.1 billion, with larger average revisions at other stages, an upwards average revision between first publication and PB1 of £0.3 billion and a downward revision of –£0.3 billion between PB1 and PB2. Early periods, 1996 Q4 to 1998 Q1, are affected by BPM5 implementation in September 1998. Revisions between 1998 Q2 and 2001 Q1 are influenced by the re-estimation of tax paid on FDI, introduced in September 2001. The single upward revision in 2001 Q3 was made in June 2002 as a reassessment of insurance claims paid out as a consequence of 11 September 2001.

The following observations are made about current account debit components:

- The only component for which revisions are found to be significantly different from zero is trade in *goods* where three year revisions for all periods are positive, average revision £0.9 billion. There is significant difference at the first publication—R1 stage and R1—PB1stage. Revisions due to smuggled goods, introduced in September 2001, affect data between 1998 Q2 and 2001 Q1. The greatest influence on trade in goods debit revisions is from adjustments for MTIC made in September 2003. These affect periods 2000 Q2 to 2001 Q3.
- Revisions in most periods for trade in *services* are positive, average revisions at each of the main stages are upward.
 Tests show statistical significance at the first-R1 stage.
 The average revision in the first publication—PB1 period

- is £0.7 billion and also high in the PB1–PB2 period, £0.6 billion, again probably reflecting the effects of input-output balancing. There appears to be some influence from BPM5 changes made in September 1998 during the periods 1997 Q3 to 1998 Q1. The revisions of September 2001 due to gross reporting of financial services influences periods between 1998 Q2 and 2001 Q1. Revisions made in September 2003 to account for the expansion of ITIS have an affect on revisions between 2000 Q2 and 2001 Q3.
- Although not significant overall there is evidence of significant revisions for *income* debits between PB1 and PB2, this is the main stage with the largest average revision, –£0.4 billion. This is largely due to inclusion of FDI annual benchmark figures. Revisions at earlier stages are considerably smaller, between first publication and the first revision there is a slight upward average revision, £0.02 billion, and a small downward revision, –£0.1 billion, at the R1–PB1 stage. As with income credits, revisions to income debits between 1996 Q4 and 1998 Q1 are largely due to the introduction of BPM5.
- and then downward for all periods until the most recent, 2001 Q3. The overall average revision is upward, the largest average revisions are upward and occur up to publication of PB1; first publication –R1 average £0.1 billion, R1–PB1 average £0.4 billion. Average revisions in subsequent periods are downward. Patterns within revisions to current transfers debits appear the same as they do for current transfer credits; BPM5 introduction in September 1998 influence revisions between 1996 Q4 and 1998 Q1, the re-estimation of tax paid on FDI in September 2001 affects revisions between 1998 Q2 and 2001 Q1, and the reassessment of insurance premiums in June 2002 result in the upward revision in 2001 Q3.

Figure 10 **Current Account debits revisions by component**



Balance

The largest average revision of the components within the current account balance comes from income. The overall average revision is negative but the average revision to trade in services balance is positive. Large downward trade in goods revisions between 2000 Q3 and 2001 Q3 are attributed to MTIC fraud adjustments. Goods and services seem to roughly offset one another. Although revisions to the overall current account balance are not significant, those to the balance components for services and income are.

Each of these components can be assessed by main stage. Figure 12 shows average revisions at each stage for each of the balance components.

The following observations can be made about current account balance components.

■ The average revision for *trade in goods* balance is −£0.6 billion. The largest revision occurred in reference period 2001 Q3, −£2 billion. The largest average revisions occurred between publication of PB1 and PB2. Revisions were not significant for any of the main stages.

Table 4
Testing for significance of current account balance revisions by component

£ billion **BALANCE** Mean Critical Mean Sig? t-statistic Absolute Revision t value Revision Trade in goods 0.69 -0.55No -1.792.18 0.70 0.48 2.26 Trade in services 2.11 Yes Income 1.18 -0.68Yes -2.132.09 Current transfers 0.55 -0.47No -2.112.20 Total balance 2.00 -1.23-1.52Nο 2.18

■ Trade in services has significant revisions between first publication of data and three year estimates but not at any of the main stages up to this point. Positive revisions at all stages culminate in significance overall. A majority of the revisions occurred between first publication and PB1, the average overall revision was £0.5 billion with an average of £0.3 billion between first publication and publication of PB1. Annual ITIS survey results replace quarterly estimates at publication of Pink Book 1. A majority of revisions were upwards, for 16 of the 20 periods, with the largest revision between first publication and three years of £1.8 billion in reference period 2001 Q1.

Figure 12

Average revisions to current account balance components by main stages

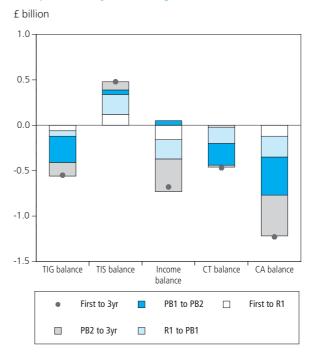
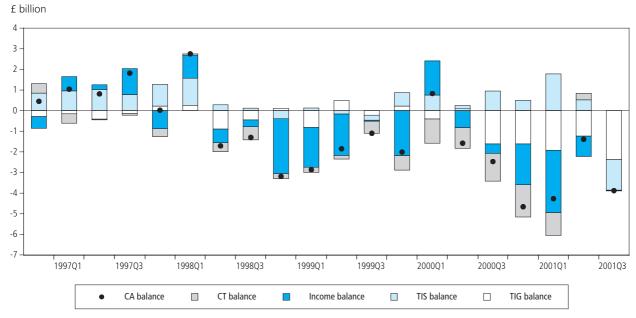


Figure 11

Current account balance revisions by component



- *Income* has the largest effect overall on CA balance revisions. There is significance overall for the income component. The largest revision, in the reference period 2001 Q1, was a downward revision of over £3 billion. The greatest revisions were made between first publication of the data and the publication of PB1, an average revision of −£0.4 billion. Revisions made between PB2 and the 3 year estimate were of a similar magnitude, −£0.4 and significantly smaller, but positive, £0.05 billion, between publication of PB1 and PB2.
- The smallest revisions overall are made to the *current* transfer balance, an average downward revision of –£0.5 billion. Average revisions are greatest between first publication and PB1, –£0.2 billion, and between PB's 1 and 2, –£0.2 billion. Notably smaller changes occur between PB2 and 3 year estimates, –£0.02 billion.

Conclusion

Major revisions made over the period analysed are due to methodological improvements and updated international standards rather than to the availability of later source data. We will continue to monitor these revisions going forward.

Further analyses

Further analyses are presented in the Annexes that are included in the full version of the article on the National Statistics website at http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/article.asp?ID=1125

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Using the value of time for quality adjustment – testing the concept for rail fares

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This article has two aims. Firstly, to develop a possible alternative method of quality adjustment to the ones commonly used by statistical offices, for example, hedonic indices. In particular, we aim to develop a method more applicable to a service sector price index, one that takes into account several aspects of service performance. Secondly, we aim to illustrate the proposed concepts with a test of concept index. Rail fares have been chosen for the test of concept as they give us several measurable and objective quality indicators, and the indicators chosen are all ones which can not be adjusted for by using conventional quality adjustment methods, such as hedonic indices or option costing.

Introduction

This article has two aims:

- to develop a possible alternative method of quality adjustment to the ones commonly used by statistical offices, for example, hedonic indices. In particular, we aim to develop a method more applicable to a service sector price index, one that takes into account several aspects of service performance
- to illustrate the proposed concepts with a test of concept index.

Rail has been chosen for the test of concept as it gives us several measurable and objective quality indicators, such as frequency, delays, expected duration, and so on. We acknowledge that this is far from a complete list of what matters to passengers, but crucially, the indicators chosen are all ones which can not be adjusted for by using conventional quality adjustment methods, such as hedonic indices or option costing.

The purpose of this work is to promote discussion regarding the quality adjustment of services. The Atkinson Report (Atkinson, 2005) highlights the need for quality adjustment in the provision of government services. However, this suggests that the Office for National Statistics (ONS) also needs to consider the need for quality adjustment of private sector services. Quality adjustment of services is a difficult issue. This article aims to show some of the innovative ideas being considered by ONS as part of its ongoing research and development programme.

To be able to test the concept of using the value of time we have had to make several strong assumptions regarding the nature of quality, and it should be stressed that ONS has no plans to introduce this methodology into any of its price indices. This workstream is not being continued, but research into service sector quality issues more generally will continue.

The conceptual basis of price indices and quality adjustment

A fixed basket

Central to the notion of a price index is the nature of the basket of goods and/or services priced over the period. Generally, price indices in ONS are known as fixed quantity price indices (or fixed baskets), and use a Laspeyres formula. This means that they measure the change in the price of a basket of fixed composition, quantity and quality. Key to this is the assumption that quality remains unchanged over the period in question. It follows that quality changes that occur in the sample must be separately identified and excluded from the index, to ensure that the movement in the index reflects only the underlying price change.

Option costing and hedonic quality adjustment of goods

The rapidly changing quality of certain goods (such as PCs and digital cameras) in the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) sample have led to a series of ONS projects to improve the quality adjustment techniques used for these goods. A milestone in this research programme was the introduction of hedonic quality adjustment for PCs in the CPI and Laptop PCs in the Producer Price Index (PPI) in January 2003.

Ball and Allen (2003) describe the problems facing statisticians dealing with changing quality in the goods they are trying to price. Before the introduction of hedonics, price statisticians in the UK generally used a technique known as option costing, where the retail cost associated with a change in specification is obtained from the cost of purchasing the change separately or as an added option. This is then used to adjust the price of the original model to give a price comparison that is independent of any changes in quality.

However, as Ball and Allen (2003) state, the application of option cost involves an element of judgement, for example, determining the appropriate proportion of the option cost that should be taken, and the identification of the relevant subset of options to price from the complete set of options available to producers and consumers. Also, in many instances, the options are not sold separately so an option cost is not available.

Hedonic methods allow us to remove some of the judgmental aspects of option costing and to impute a value to a characteristic even when it is not available as an option. By regressing the prices observed against a dataset of various quality attributes, we can attribute a (shadow) price to the attributes and then use this to predict the value of a given quality change using the regression coefficients. Key to the conceptual basis of the hedonic approach is the assumption that quality is effectively a range of choices which the consumer can make at the time of purchase, for example choosing between 256Mb or 512Mb memory when purchasing a PC.

Quality adjustment and services

Quality adjustment of services remains an issue that ONS is yet to explore in great detail, possibly because the conceptual issues surrounding it remain largely unresolved. For example, ONS's Corporate Services Price Index (CSPI) concentrates on trying to ensure that the quality of the services chosen is comparable over time. The CSPI quality adjustment guidance is currently the same as for the Producer Price Index, in that specification changes are categorised as one of the following;

- 'W' specification changes assumes that the change in price is due entirely to the change in specification, so the price relative is left unchanged at the time of the change in the model.
- 'X' specification changes assumes a notional price change is due partly due to a change in specification but is partly a genuine price change. For instance, the washing machine manufacturer may introduce a new model at the time of a general ten per cent price rise in its

- products. In such a case an 'X' specification change would say that ten per cent of the notional price rise in Model B compared with Model A was due to a price rise while the remainder was due to the change in specification.
- 'Z' specification change applied if the change is purely cosmetic, implying that the whole of the notional price change is passed through as a 'genuine' price increase.

Within the CSPI, effort is primarily being focused on expanding the coverage of the index, however, there are a number of reasons why there has been little work on formal quality adjustments for services in both the CSPI and RPI;

- Firstly, many service products have not experienced sustained quality change in a particular direction such has been the case in goods such as computers or cars.
- Secondly, while it is certain that the quality of a restaurant meal is changeable, the assumptions behind the matchedpair price index – that you collect the price of the same meal from the same restaurant each month – should, on average, be a good estimate of price change. (Although it should also be noted that this misses substitution between options, and so may miss quality changes),
- Thirdly, where quality differs between similar products, services typically price differently to reflect this. For example, tickets to the theatre differ depending on the view. Thus quality changes should be picked up during basket updates.

Quality changes in a number of services have, however, been sustained, and this is the motivation for this test of concept. In particular, the Atkinson Report (Reference, 2005) highlights the need for quality adjustment in the provision of government services. However, this suggests that ONS also needs to consider the need for quality adjustment of private sector services.

Assuming the quality is changing, initial research suggests that when considering quality adjustment of a service, the first question to be asked should be "is quality an objective or subjective issue?" Even this may not be as black and white as it may seem if we do not narrow the question down to the key elements of quality that matter to the consumer. Consider the purchase of a theatre ticket. Two theatregoers may have completely different views regarding the quality of the production (a subjective measure), but there may be more legroom for seats (a qualitative measure).

Where services can be treated like goods, hedonic methods may still be suitable (for example, for the rental of office machinery in the PPI the price depends largely on the quality of the PC being hired). However, most services are not this simple to deal with. Rail travel for example is not a tangible product; it is a change in the state of the individual (that is, transporting them from A to B). It is also an example of where, unlike PCs, quality is not a measure which the consumer has much choice over at the time of purchase, beyond that of choosing first or standard class tickets. But even first class tickets do not prevent delays. With PCs you pay more, knowing you will receive a higher quality product (more memory, larger hard disc etc), but with rail you pay

the same for a journey, regardless of the eventual quality. This effectively prevents us from using hedonic methods to quality adjust rail fares. (Although research in Japan suggests that the mark-up of first class tickets over standard class ones may be an indication of willingness to pay for a seat. And arguably delays are more bearable if you are sitting down.)

Developing the cost-of-time approach

In this article we propose a method for dealing with services which involve customers saving or using time. This is based on the cost of time. Valuations of the cost of time are used in transport policy cost-benefit analyses, for example to place a value on a new rail route or road, which can then be compared against the costs of providing the improvements.

The concept of this article is that for a service such as rail journeys, quality factors such as delays, cancellations, changes in frequency and changes in the timetabled duration of a journey can all be expressed in terms of time, which can then be valued and used to quality adjust the fare. Valuing time is discussed in more detail later.

Planning the data collection

There are tens of thousands of routes available on the UK rail network. In order to carry out the data collection manually for this proof of concept, we have limited our sample to 50 routes. This represents a compromise between establishing the conceptual basis of the index and the practicalities of the data collection. We make no claim that this is an unbiased sample of journeys.

These routes were chosen using Strategic Rail Authority (SRA) data on the revenue per route for 2001, and represent the 50 highest revenue routes on the network. The revenue data for these 50 routes are also used to form the weights for the price index and these 50 routes represent approximately 15 per cent of total revenues in 2001.

For each of the 50 routes, an individual journey was chosen for the sample, for example the 08:29 from Chelmsford to Liverpool Street. We then collect the fare for this journey on a monthly basis, pricing a representative ticket type for that route. We also collect the quality data for these 50 journeys in real-time. While we accept that this is a small sample, it is approaching the limit of a manual data collection system.

The three guiding principles for choosing which quality measures to include were:

- they must be objective and measurable
- the data should be accessible in real-time
- they should matter to rail users.

On this basis, four quality measures were chosen:

- timetabled duration
- actual duration (and hence how early or delayed the service is)
- cancellations
- changes in frequency.

It is important to stress the need for multiple quality measures to account for the trade-offs that exist in the provision of this service. For example, it has been suggested that it is possible to reduce delays by reducing the frequency of service or by increasing the timetabled duration of the journey. If we only measure delays, these changes would show up as quality improvements, but this would not match the experience of rail passengers who have to wait longer for a train or spend longer on it. One key aspect of quality that we would like to include is over-crowding, but we have not been able to incorporate a measure into our current framework as no real time data is available.

It is also important to acknowledge that while it is accepted that sampling on one day a month is representative for prices, it is less than perfect for quality. For goods such as PCs quality is a long run trend towards improvement. For rail travel it seems likely that while there may be a long run trend, there is also likely to be substantial short run volatility, and this will be exaggerated by our assumption that one day per month is representative. However, this is an example of where our aim of testing the concept has been constrained by the practicalities of the manual data collection system.

Fares data

There are a number of established websites that offer the latest fares, although our choice is slightly restricted as not all offer the travelcard fares required.

For a number of routes, the representative ticket type is a season ticket. Currently we cannot price these direct from the web. Instead we price a standard day return ticket. Arguably this provides the same services as the season ticket for commuters on the day, but is priced on a single journey basis. While it may be argued that a sample of quality taken one day per month is unlikely to be representative of the quality actually experienced by the purchaser of a season ticket, this is the general principle of price collections such as the RPI, which assume one day to be representative of the month. But our treatment of season tickets does allow us to abstract away from the issue that season ticket prices often contain discounts for poor performance in previous periods (although this may have a slight downwards impact on the revenue weights for commuter routes).

Travelcards are almost exclusively a London phenomenon, and they represent a methodological difficulty. They are effectively combined rail and London Transport (LT) tickets. When calculating the revenue shares that we will use as weights in our price index, travel cards have been defined as origin to London terminals, since what we need is the rail part of the journey (and we are not interested in quality adjusting LT). However, no attempt has been made to adjust the revenue for the LT portion of the tickets. The product we are quality adjusting is the rail portion of the journey.

Timetable data

Data on the timetabled departure and arrival time, and the frequency of journey is taken from the National Rail website, as this should reflect the latest state of play for the network timetables.

Minor changes to timetables (for example, to the expected duration caused by planned engineering works) happen regularly enough to warrant us collecting expected duration and frequency on a monthly basis. However, National Rail timetables also have major changes twice a year (for example, introduction of summer timetables). Train services may be introduced or permanently cancelled, or, more usually, retimed. In this case, the fixed basket approach requires that we aim to replace the missing service with the one that has the closest arrival time to our original journey (although not necessarily provided by the same operating company).

Quality data

We collect the actual arrival time and a record of cancellations within our sample from the National Rail live online departure/arrival boards. These boards are provided by Thales Information Systems on behalf of the Association of Train Operating Companies (ATOC). The information on these departure boards is provided by an automated system which has limitations.

Where a train is cancelled we try to re-create the experience of someone on the platform. The arrival time recorded is the arrival time of the next available direct train between the origin and destination. The departure time remains that of the original train, and the extended delay is the key quality measure for cancellations that feeds into the index.

Valuing the cost of time

Principles

The principle underlying the majority of the research work on peoples' valuation of time is that time has an opportunity cost, that is, time spent travelling could have been used for other activities such as work or leisure. The question is whether we can measure this opportunity cost in monetary terms

The Department for Transport (DfT) methodology (DETR, 2001) is based on 1998 prices, and identifies three types of travel time relevant for the current study:

- working time: journeys made in the course of work (commuting journeys are excluded)
- non-working time: all non-work journey purposes, including travel to and from work
- waiting time: time spent waiting to travel.

For working time, which refers to business trips, we use the value that is perceived by the employer, at factor cost (that is, net of indirect taxation). This takes into account gross wages and non-wage labour costs, and is expressed as a mark-up over wages. Using the 1992 Labour Cost Survey and the 1998 National Travel Survey, DfT estimate the mark up to be 24.1 per cent, giving a valuation of working time of £25.17 per hour (1998 prices) for rail users.

For non-working and waiting time we are interested in market prices (rather than factor costs), as this is what consumers pay. DfT use a single value for non-working

time, regardless of mode of transport. The figure is based on the average income of travellers on the journey to work. At market prices the standard appraisal value is £4.52 per hour (1998 prices). In a review of the DfT valuation, Mackie *et al* (2003a, 2003b) comment that the valuation can be split into two categories; commuting and other. The values they suggest are £3.96 and £3.54 respectively.

Both DfT and Mackie *et al* only consider waiting time in the context of non-work travel. DfT suggest that waiting time should be valued at twice the value for non working time, while Mackie *et al* suggest using a ratio of 2.5.

Uprating

For working time, DfT assume the income elasticity is one, so we can uprate the working time simply by applying the growth in disposable income per head. DfT also believe that non-working time has a unitary elasticity of income, although Mackie *et al* suggest it is closer to 0.8.

For simplicity, we have assumed a unitary elasticity for both. Between 1998 and 2003, household gross disposable income per head grew by 29.7 per cent. This gives us the time valuations in Table 1.

Table 1

Time valuations

		£
	1998	2003
Working time	25.17	32.66
Non-working time	4.52	5.87
Waiting time (DfT)	9.04	11.73

Options

We have two options for implementing the split between working and non-working time. We could use the DfT's calculations which show that on average over the whole week, six per cent of journeys are work related and 94 per cent are not. Or we could use the fact that between 10am and 4pm (which covers the majority of our sample), 11 per cent are work related, and 89 per cent are not. A third option may be to just take the non-working time value. This might be more appropriate if the index were to be used in the RPI, for example.

We have chosen to use the second option, in an attempt to be more representative of the week as a whole. These weights give us a valuation of £7.47 per hour for delays. For changes in frequency, and delays arising from cancellations, we use the waiting time value of £11.73 per hour.

For this piece of research we have kept the value of time fixed at the 2003 value throughout the sample. However, there is a case for allowing it to rise with household incomes as time progresses, so that both ticket fares and the value of time are in current prices.

The valuations presented here, and their application, remain provisional, and we would not argue that they present an objective assessment of the true value.

The key aim is to enable us to provide an illustration of what the quality adjusted index movements look like, but readers should be aware that the resulting index will be sensitive to the value of time used. If this method were to be used operationally, further research would be required to establish a valuation that is conceptually correct for the index it would be used in.

Results

We have collected fare, timetable and quality data for August 2003 through to January 2005. A summary of key results is presented in Table 2. We then apply the valuations to the data. Changes to timetabled duration, delays and cancellations are relatively simple to value as they are measured in minutes. Changes in timetabled duration are relative to the chosen base month. For changes in frequency we measure the numbers of trains on the route between 7am and 9am. We then assume that trains arrive at regular intervals over the two hours measured, and assume that rail users arrive at random points throughout the two hours. This allows us to calculate an expected waiting time. Changes to this waiting time relative to the base month are valued and added to the index. This methodology rests on a number of assumptions, in particular that rail users arrive at random times and that trains arrive at constant intervals of the period. However, it has the advantage of being easy to implement.

Once we have these valuations we simply add them to the underlying fare for each journey to obtain the quality adjusted fare. The adjusted and unadjusted fares are then weighted together using the revenue weights.

Table 2 **Key quality movements**

(Base month in **bold**)

	Total exected duration (mins)	Cancellations	Total frequency of services	Total delay (mins)	Averaage delay (mins, weighted)
Aug-03	3,322	2	518	656	12.1
Sep-03	3,320	1	519	321	6.9
Oct-03	3,321	0	517	97	1.6
Nov-03	3,321	0	517	339	7
Dec-03	3,321	0	518	119	2.9
Jan-04	3,314	0	521	159	3
Feb-04	3,314	0	521	97	2
Mar-04	3,314	1	519	128	2.2
Apr-04	3,314	0	518	112	2.1
May-04	3,314	0	518	108	2.2
Jun-04	3,435	0	506	56	1.2
Jul-04	3,336	0	516	48	1.2
Aug-04	3,440	0	508	137	3.3
Sep-04	3,556	1	503	65	1.3
Oct-04	3,253	0	522	185	4
Nov-04	3,245	1	541	183	4.1
Dec-04	3,245	1	541	214	5.4
Jan-05	3,274	0	558	121	2.9

Table 3 presents the quality-adjusted index, taking into account delays, timetable changes, cancellations and changes in frequency. The difference between the two indices reflects a composite measure of changes in the different facets of performance. The results are also illustrated in Figure 1, which highlights some of the events underlying the key movements in the quality-adjusted series.

A key feature of Figure 1 is that there is little evidence of a long run change in quality. In the case of PCs for example, there is a consistent and continuing improvement in quality, and an absence of quality adjustment would imply a bias to the index.

Table 3

Adjusted and unadjusted price indices

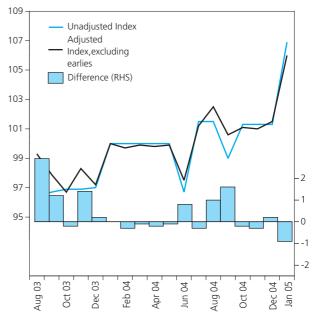
(Base month in **bold**) Jan 04=100

	Adjusted	Unadjusted
Aug-03	99.3	96.4
Sep-03	97.9	96.7
Oct-03	96.7	96.9
Nov-03	98.3	96.9
Dec-03	97.2	97
Jan-04	100	100
Feb-04	99.7	100
Mar-04	99.9	100
Apr-04	99.8	100
May-04	99.9	100
Jun-04	97.5	96.7
Jul-04	101.2	101.5
Aug-04	102.5	101.5
Sep-04	100.6	99
Oct-04	101.1	101.3
Nov-04	101	101.3
Dec-04	101.5	101.3
Jan-05	106	106.9

Figure 1

Adjusted and unadjusted indices

index, Jan 04 = 100



On the basis of Figure 1 there is less evidence of a potential bias in rail fares. However, it should be stressed that this is a short sample; several of the short lived quality decreases shown in Figure 1 in fact reflect engineering works that may be expected to enable a higher quality service in future. Another issue previously described is that it may be impossible to distinguish long run trends from short run volatility due to the constraints of our data collection system; namely the assumption that the performance on one day is representative of the month as a whole.

Given the potential volatility caused by the small sample, we do not propose to explore the movements in great detail. However, there are some movements which raise interesting conceptual issues.

In August 2003 a large proportion of delays were caused by the unusually hot weather, which led Network Rail to introduce speed restrictions, causing substantial delays. If we consider safety to be an aspect of quality then it is unclear whether these delays should be included in the index as deterioration in quality. In practice we are unable to determine which services were delayed by the speed restrictions, and which were caused other factors.

While the unadjusted index remained relatively flat into November 2003, the adjusted index rose sharply, and then fell back in December. Network Rail attributed the additional delays to a combination of poor weather and leaves on the line resulting in poor rail conditions. Given a larger sample, this is the sort of seasonal movement that we would expect to fall out in the annual comparisons.

June 2004 saw substantial engineering work being carried out on a major line. This forced passengers to use alternative routes which, while they took longer, cost less (The RPI itself saw a small downward effect from changes in the cost of passenger transport by railway). The quality adjusted index fell less sharply than the unadjusted index, reflecting the deterioration in quality. The quality change would have been more evident if not for the fact that the month saw very low delays on other routes. Finally, it should also be noted that whilst engineering work causes disruption in the short-term, its longer-term pay-off should be reduced disruption and improved services.

Usually if two train operators provide services on the same route, they charge the same fare. However, there are exceptions to this. A large portion of the fall in the index in September 2004 is due to the representative journey switching from one train operator to another with lower fares as a result of engineering works. This is a clear example of a movement which would not be so dramatic in a much larger sample.

The first six annual growth rates are shown in Table 4. These should remove some of the seasonal effects of the sample. We see that the adjusted index has generally grown slightly slower than the unadjusted index, suggesting that quality has marginally increased.

Table 4

Annual growth rates of price indices

Per cent

	Adjusted	Unadjusted
Aug-04	3.2	5.2
Sep-04	2.7	2.4
Oct-04	4.5	4.5
Nov-04	2.8	4.5
Dec-04	4.4	4.5
Jan-05	6.0	6.9

Conclusion

At present ONS is concentrating on expanding the coverage of the CSPI and improving the measurement of the government sector. However, this article represents early stages of a potentially large work programme into the wider quality adjustment of services. We would be extremely interested to hear users' opinions on this work. It is possible to draw some conclusions from this limited initial study:

- Hedonics may be suitable for some services (such as software or equipment hire). However, for those areas where it is not suitable, the valuation of time may be an option to explore.
- It seems likely that data collection for service sector quality will be more time intensive than for goods. We can not simply assume that the quality as measured on one day is representative of the month as a whole.
- However, this could be mitigated if the data could be collected automatically from administrative or regulatory datasets. For example, access to the performance data held by the Office of Rail Regulation would enable a much larger and more representative sample to be monitored, making the quality measure more accurate.
- Using the value of time for quality adjustment is technically possible but further work is required to establish the valuation to be used and the sensitivity of the final results to the valuation.
- It is important to remember that there are often several aspects of quality in services, as in goods. The quality adjustment needs to be able to take into account possible trade-offs between these factors.
- While the value of time is a relatively flexible methodology, there are areas where alternative methodologies need to be considered. For example, one important facet of quality missing from this study is over-crowding. One option may be to study the willingness of rail users to pay for a seat.

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Selected monthly indicators

					seasonally adjusted unless otherwise stated							
		2003	3 2	2004	2004 Q4	2005 Q1	2005 Q2	2005 Apr	2005 May	2005 Jun	%Change Latest 3 months avg over previous 3 months	
Output -chained volume measures (CVM) (2002 = 100 unless otherwise stated)								•	•			
Gross value added at basic prices Industrial production Oil and gas extraction Manufacturing Construction Car production (thousands)	CGCE CKYW CKZO CKYY GDQB FFAO	102.5 99.5 94.4 100.1 105.2 138.1	5 1 4 1 1 1 2 1	05.6 00.3 86.4 01.9 08.9 37.2	106.4 100.0 81.6 102.3 110.1 136.7	106.8 99.2 81.5 101.3 110.8 138.4	98.8 100.6 111.2 131.6	98.8 82.5 100.5 	98.9 83.8 100.6 	 125.5	0.4 -1.4 -0.2 -1.7 0.6 0.0	
Domestic demand												
Retail sales volume (2000 = 100) GB new registrations of cars ('000s) ¹ Manufacturing:change in inventories (£m,CVM, reference year 2002)	EAPS BCGT DHBM	116.6 2 646.2 -727	2 2 5	23.6 98.8 -827	124.9 496.9 -333	125.0 697.9 648	126.0	125.3 178.9	125.3 189.2 	127.0 	0.3 38.0	
Prices (12 monthly % change) and earnings (3 month average)												
Consumer prices index ¹ Retail prices index ¹ Retail prices index ¹ (less MIPS) ² Producer output prices (less FBTP) ³ Producer input prices ⁴ GB average earnings -whole economy ⁵	CJYR CZBH CDKQ EUAA EUAB LNNC	1.4 2.9 2.8 1.3 1.5	9 3 3 5	1.3 3.0 2.2 1.9 4.0	1.4 3.4 2.3 2.8 6.8 4.4	1.7 3.2 2.2 2.4 10.7 4.5	1.9 3.0 2.2 2.5 10.3	1.9 3.2 2.3 2.6 10.5 4.6	1.9 2.9 2.1 2.5 8.1 4.1	2.0 2.9 2.2 2.3 12.1		
Foreign trade ⁶ (2002 = 100 volumes unless otherwise stated)												
UK balance on trade in goods (£ million) Non EU balance on trade in goods (£ million) Non EU exports of goods (excl oil & erratics) Non EU imports of goods (excl oil & erratics) Non EU import & price index (excl oil) ⁷ Non EU export & price index (excl oil) ⁷	BOKI LGDT SHDJ SHED LKWQ LKVX	-47 864 -22 036 108.7 105.1 96.8 97.7	6 –29 7 1 1 1 3		-15 458 -8 200 115.7 120.4 95.3 97.0	-14 890 -8 045 114.3 118.2 95.9 97.1		-5 132 -2 583 129.5 126.8 96.2 97.0	122.1	 	3.4 -0.7	
Labour market and productivity (2002 = 100 unless otherwise stated)												
UK claimant unemployment (thousands) UK employees in manufacturing (thousands) Whole economy productivity ⁸ Manufacturing productivity ⁸ Unit wage costs - whole economy Unit wage costs - manufacturing	BCJD YEJA LNNN LNNX LNNK LNNQ	933.3 3 415 101.6 105.1 101.7 98.5	5 3 6 1 1 1 7 1	53.6 282 04.0 11.2 03.3 96.6	831.1 3 241 104.6 113.0 104.6 95.8	820.9 3 221 104.7 112.7 105.7 97.9	854.4 	842.1 3 215 112.4 98.2	856.1 3 201 112.8 96.9	864.9 	2.9 -0.6 0.1 -1.0 1.1 3.2	
Financial markets ¹												
Sterling ERI (1990=100) Average exchange rate /US \$ Average exchange rate /Euro ⁹ 3 month inter-bank rate ¹⁰ 3 month interest on US Treasury bills ¹¹	AGBG AUSS THAP HSAJ LUST	100.2 1.63 1.45 3.95 0.93	3 5 5	04.1 1.83 1.47 4.81 2.18	102.4 1.87 1.44 4.81 2.18	102.9 1.89 1.44 4.90 2.73	104.3 1.86 1.47 4.69 3.08	104.4 1.90 1.47 4.86 2.84	103.6 1.85 1.46 4.79 2.93	104.9 1.82 1.50 4.69 3.08	0.8 -0.7 1.2	
Monetary conditions/government finances												
M0 (year on year percentage growth) M4 (year on year percentage growth) Public sector net borrowing (£ million)1,12 Net lending to consumers (£ million)(broader)	VQMX VQJW ANNX RLMH	7.3 7.2 –35 111 20 226	2 1 –36	6.0 8.6 864 – 970	5.6 9.2 -13 873 5 341	5.5 10.7 –468 6 054	4.3 11.0 -16 958 4 398	4.8 10.8 –2 302 1 131		3.7 11.0 –5 929 1 280	-14.8	
2004 2004	2004	2004 2	2004	2004	2004	2005	2005	2005	2005 2	2005 20	005 2005	
Activity and expectations	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			Jun Jul	
CBI output expectations balance 1 ETCU 15 6 CBI optimism balance 1 ETBV 7 CBI price expectations balance ETDQ 5 7 New engineering orders (2000 = 100) JIQH 80.5 81.4	19 10 72.4	9	14 -10 -1 75.4	5 13 79.8	 10	10 -22 15 80.5	19 11 78.3	9 12 76.2	5 -15 3 77.9	-1 -4 78.8	-5 6 16 -6 -10 	

Not seasonally adjusted
 MIPS: mortgage interest payments
 FBTP: food, beverages, tobacco and petroleum
 See footnote 2 on Table 3.1.
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 All Non EU figures exclude Austria, Finland & Sweden
 12 monthly percentage change

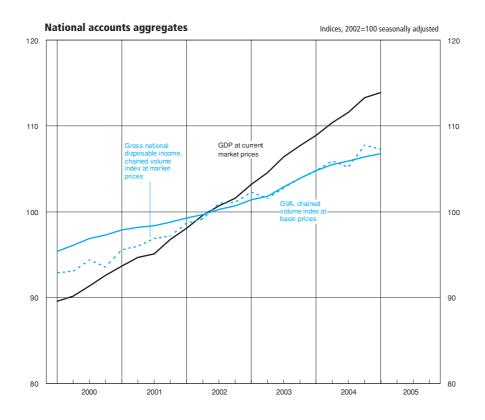
⁸ Output per filled job.
9 Prior to January 1999, a synthetic Euro has been calculated by geometrically averaging the bilateral exchange rate of the 11 Euro-area countries using "internal weights" based on each country's share of the extra Euro-area trade
10 Last Friday of the period
11 Last working day
12 Annual figures are for the financial years 2003/04 and 2004/05.

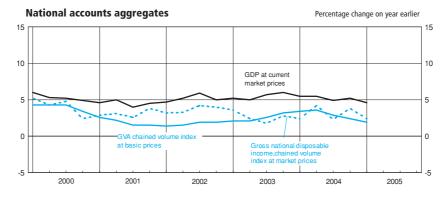
National accounts aggregates

	£ m	illion			Ind	lices (2002 = 100	0)		
	At curre	nt prices	Value indices at	current prices	Cha	ained volume inc	lices	Implied de	eflators ²
	Gross domestic product at market prices	Gross value added (GVA)at basic prices	Gross domestic product at market prices ¹	Gross Value added (GVA) at basic prices	Gross national disposable income at market prices	Gross domestic product at market prices	Gross value added (GVA) at basic prices+	GDP at market prices	GVA at basic prices
Annual	YBHA	ABML	YBEU	YBEX	YBFP	YBEZ	CGCE	YBGB	CGBV
2000	953 576	841 505	91.0	90.4	93.5	95.9	96.4	94.8	93.8
2001 2002	996 758 1 048 456	883 412 930 796	95.1 100.0	94.9 100.0	96.4 100.0	98.0 100.0	98.3 100.0	97.0 100.0	96.5 100.0
2003	1 105 919	981 732	105.5	105.5	102.6	102.5	102.5	102.9	102.9
2004	1 164 439	1 033 324	111.1	111.0	105.9	105.8	105.6	104.9	105.1
Quarterly									
2000 Q1	234 970	207 333	89.6	89.1	92.9	95.0	95.4	94.3	93.4
Q2	236 346	208 163	90.2	89.5	93.1	95.6	96.1	94.3	93.1
Q3 Q4	239 522 242 738	211 428 214 581	91.4 92.6	90.9 92.2	94.4 93.6	96.3 96.7	96.9 97.3	94.9 95.7	93.7 94.8
2001 Q1	245 674	217 424	93.7	93.4	95.6	97.5	97.9	96.2	95.4
Q2	248 157	219 709	94.7	94.4	96.0	97.8	98.2	96.8	96.1
Q3	249 239	221 127	95.1	95.0	96.9	98.2	98.4	96.9	96.5
Q4	253 688	225 152	96.8	96.8	97.2	98.7	98.8	98.1	97.9
2002 Q1	257 004	227 916	98.1	97.9	98.7	99.2	99.3	98.9	98.7
Q2 Q3	261 090 264 065	232 002 234 484	99.6 100.7	99.7	99.2	99.7 100.4	99.7	99.9	100.0
Q3 Q4	266 297	236 394	100.7	100.8 101.6	101.0 101.1	100.4	100.3 100.7	100.4 100.9	100.4 100.9
2003 Q1	270 583	240 537	103.2	103.4	102.3	101.4	101.4	101.8	102.0
Q2	274 053	243 452	104.6	104.6	101.6	101.9	101.8	102.6	102.7
Q3	278 966	247 512	106.4	106.4	102.8	102.9	102.9	103.4	103.4
Q4	282 317	250 231	107.7	107.5	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.7	103.5
2004 Q1	285 507	252 769	108.9	108.6	104.8	104.8	104.8	103.9	103.7
Q2 Q3	289 407 292 512	256 804 259 688	110.4 111.6	110.4 111.6	105.9 105.2	105.7 106.1	105.5 105.9	104.4 105.2	104.6 105.4
Q3 Q4	297 013	264 063	113.3	113.5	107.8	106.7	106.4	106.2	106.6
2005 Q1	298 510	265 230	113.9	114.0	107.3	107.1	106.8	106.4	106.7
Q2			••	**	**	107.5	••		**
Percentage	change, quarter	on corresponding	g quarter of previo	us year ³					
Quarterly									
2000 Q1	6.1	5.7	6.1	5.7	5.2	4.3	4.2	1.6	1.4
Q2	5.2	4.8	5.2	4.8	4.3	4.5	4.4	0.7	0.4
Q3 Q4	5.1 4.9	5.2 5.3	5.1 4.9	5.2 5.3	4.8 2.4	4.1 3.2	4.3 3.4	1.0 1.5	0.9 1.9
2001 Q1	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.9	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.0	2.1
Q2	5.0	5.5	5.0	5.5	3.1	2.3	2.2	2.7	3.2
Q3 Q4	4.1 4.5	4.6 4.9	4.1 4.5	4.6 4.9	2.6 3.8	2.0 2.1	1.5 1.6	2.1 2.5	3.0 3.3
2002 Q1 Q2	4.6 5.2	4.8 5.6	4.6 5.2	4.8 5.6	3.2 3.3	1.7 1.9	1.4 1.5	2.8 3.2	3.5 4.1
Q2 Q3	5.9	6.0	5.2 5.9	6.0	4.2	2.2	1.9	3.6	4.0
Q4	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	2.0	1.9	2.9	3.1
2003 Q1	5.3	5.5	5.3	5.5	3.6	2.2	2.1	2.9	3.3
Q2	5.0	4.9 5.6	5.0 5.6	4.9	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.7	2.7
Q3 Q4	5.6 6.0	5.6 5.9	5.6 6.0	5.6 5.9	1.8 2.8	2.5 3.2	2.5 3.1	3.0 2.8	3.0 2.6
2004 Q1	5.5	5.1	5.5	5.1	2.4	3.4	3.4	2.1	1.7
Q2	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.5	4.2	3.7	3.6	1.8	1.9
Q3	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	2.3	3.1	2.9	1.7	1.9
Q4	5.2	5.5	5.2	5.5	3.8	2.7	2.4	2.4	3.0
2005 Q1	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.9	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.4	2.9
Q2						1.7			

 [&]quot;Money GDP."
 Based on chained volume measures and current price estimates of expenditure components of GDP.

³ These estimates of change are based in some cases on less rounded figures





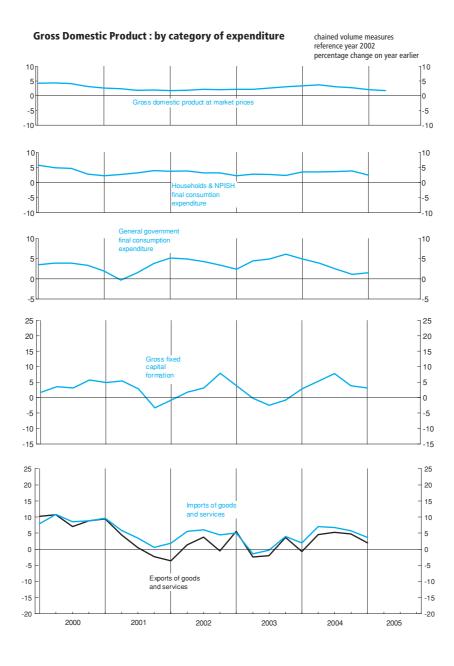
2.2 Gross domestic product : by category of expenditure Chained volume measures

Reference year 2002, £ million

		Domestic	expenditure on	goods and se	vices at ma	arket prices				TICICICI	ice year z	.002, £ 111111011
	Final co	nsumption e	•		capital form	•						
	House- holds	Non- profit instit- utions ²	General government	Gross fixed capital formation+	Changes in inven- tories ³	Acquisitions less disposals of valuables	Total	Exports of goods and services+	Gross final expend- iture	less Imports of goods and services+	Statis- tical discre- pancy (expen- diture)	Gross domestic product at market prices
Annual												
2000 2001 2002 2003 2004	ABJR 625 145 644 895 667 361 684 841 709 997	HAYO 25 270 25 247 25 998 26 229 26 735	NMRY 198 616 201 996 210 967 220 449 227 197	NPQT 163 709 167 563 172 558 172 573 180 998	CAFU 5 267 6 196 2 909 4 602 5 148	NPJR 3 373 214 -6 -11	YBIM 1 017 985 1 046 424 1 080 007 1 108 689 1 150 064	IKBK 266 536 274 274 274 945 278 159 287 736	ABMG 1 284 619 1 320 810 1 354 952 1 386 848 1 437 800	IKBL 279 807 293 213 306 496 311 990 328 776	GIXS - - - - 550	ABMI 1 005 542 1 027 905 1 048 456 1 074 858 1 109 574
Quarterly												
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	155 841 155 859 156 783 156 662	6 151 6 272 6 392 6 455	49 110 49 985 49 956 49 565	40 052 40 010 41 109 42 538	481 1 171 1 789 1 826	2 -1 -3 5	251 678 253 197 256 003 257 107	64 146 66 418 66 960 69 012	315 800 319 644 322 977 326 198	67 027 69 313 70 725 72 742	- - -	249 056 250 537 252 424 253 525
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	159 089 160 258 162 141 163 407	6 402 6 323 6 280 6 242	50 036 49 827 50 701 51 432	42 007 42 160 42 249 41 147	1 040 1 375 1 662 2 119	-18 210 38 143	258 590 260 275 263 114 264 445	70 148 69 408 67 325 67 393	328 833 329 749 330 410 331 818	73 449 73 368 73 187 73 209	- - - -	255 459 256 450 257 301 258 695
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	165 301 166 424 167 273 168 363	6 321 6 425 6 587 6 665	52 654 52 249 52 864 53 200	41 651 42 936 43 562 44 409	1 177 394 480 858	74 56 70 14	267 140 268 495 270 855 273 517	67 640 70 380 69 894 67 031	334 760 338 897 340 768 340 527	74 838 77 479 77 678 76 501	- - - -	259 971 261 381 263 060 264 044
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	169 079 171 108 171 946 172 708	6 558 6 554 6 564 6 553	53 929 54 618 55 464 56 438	43 232 42 843 42 459 44 039	103 -387 2 339 2 547	102 -60 -48	272 901 274 837 278 712 282 239	71 403 68 719 68 495 69 542	344 304 343 556 347 207 351 781	78 620 76 406 77 429 79 535	- - - -	265 684 267 150 269 778 272 246
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	175 036 177 303 178 333 179 325	6 661 6 658 6 689 6 727	56 587 56 739 56 829 57 042	44 425 45 101 45 780 45 692	1 164 1 110 978 1 896	117 -81 -86 39	283 989 286 830 288 523 290 722	70 868 71 856 72 121 72 891	354 857 358 686 360 644 363 613	80 158 81 736 82 720 84 162	106 133 150 161	274 805 277 083 278 074 279 612
2005 Q1 Q2	179 501 	6 799 	57 441 	45 811 	1 978 	–142 	291 389 	72 266 	363 655 	83 141 	139 	280 653 281 776
Percentage	change, lates	st quarter or	n corresponding	quarter of pre	vious year							
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	5.8 4.8 4.5 2.6	6.1 8.9 10.1 9.4	3.5 3.9 3.9 3.3	1.7 3.6 3.1 5.7			3.8 4.6 4.6 3.3	10.2 10.7 7.0 8.8	5.1 5.8 5.1 4.5	8.0 10.8 8.6 8.8		4.3 4.4 4.2 3.2
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	2.1 2.8 3.4 4.3	4.1 0.8 -1.8 -3.3	1.9 -0.3 1.5 3.8	4.9 5.4 2.8 -3.3			2.7 2.8 2.8 2.9	9.4 4.5 0.5 -2.3	4.1 3.2 2.3 1.7	9.6 5.9 3.5 0.6		2.6 2.4 1.9 2.0
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	3.9 3.8 3.2 3.0	-1.3 1.6 4.9 6.8	5.2 4.9 4.3 3.4	-0.8 1.8 3.1 7.9			3.3 3.2 2.9 3.4	-3.6 1.4 3.8 -0.5	1.8 2.8 3.1 2.6	1.9 5.6 6.1 4.5		1.8 1.9 2.2 2.1
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	2.3 2.8 2.8 2.6	3.7 2.0 -0.3 -1.7	2.4 4.5 4.9 6.1	3.8 -0.2 -2.5 -0.8			2.2 2.4 2.9 3.2	5.6 -2.4 -2.0 3.7	2.9 1.4 1.9 3.3	5.1 -1.4 -0.3 4.0		2.2 2.2 2.6 3.1
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	3.5 3.6 3.7 3.8	1.6 1.6 1.9 2.7	4.9 3.9 2.5 1.1	2.8 5.3 7.8 3.8			4.1 4.4 3.5 3.0	-0.7 4.6 5.3 4.8	3.1 4.4 3.9 3.4	2.0 7.0 6.8 5.8		3.4 3.7 3.1 2.7
2005 Q1 Q2	2.6 	2.1 	1.5 	3.1 			2.6 	2.0 	2.5 	3.7 		2.1 1.7

¹ Estimates given to nearest million but cannot be regarded as accurate to the 3 Quarterly alignment adjustment included in this series.

degree.
2 Non-profit making institutions serving households(NPISH).



2.3 Gross domestic product and shares of income and expenditure

			Percentage	share of gro	oss final exp	enditure	Percent	age share o	of GDP by categ	ory of income	
	Gross domestic		Final consul expendit			Exports -	Gross operating	surplus			
	product at market	Gross final expenditure	Household and NPISH	General govern -ment	Gross capital formation	of goods and services	Corporat- ions ¹	Other ²	Compensation of employees	Mixed income	Taxes on production and imports
Annual											
0004	YBHA	ABMF	IHXI	IHXJ	IHXK	IHXL	IHXM	IHXO	IHXP	IHXQ	IHXR
2001 2002	996 758 1 048 456	1 296 819 1 354 952	50.9 51.2	14.7 15.6	13.3 13.0	21.1 20.3	20.6 21.7	3.6 3.0	56.5 56.1	6.2 6.3	13.1 12.9
2002	1 105 919	1 419 132	51.2 51.1	16.3	12.7	19.9	22.2	2.9	55.8	6.3	12.9
2004	1 164 439	1 492 245	51.0	16.5	13.1	19.5	22.5	2.8	55.7	6.3	12.8
Quarterly	,										
2001 Q1	245 674	322 092	50.2	14.4	13.2	22.1	20.5	3.5	56.6	6.2	13.1
Q2	248 157	324 395	50.5	14.4	13.4	21.7	19.7	4.3	56.5	6.3	13.2
Q3	249 239	323 645	51.5	14.8	13.5	20.2	20.8	3.2	56.7	6.3	13.0
Q4	253 688	326 687	51.5	15.2	13.1	20.3	21.6	3.2	56.2	6.1	13.0
2002 Q1	257 004	332 338	51.4	15.4	12.8	20.4	21.8	2.8	56.0	6.3	13.0
Q2	261 090	339 079	50.9	15.4	12.8	20.9	21.2	3.7	56.1	6.3	12.8
Q3	264 065	341 177	51.0	15.6	13.0	20.4	21.9	2.8	56.1	6.3	12.8
Q4	266 297	342 358	51.4	15.8	13.3	19.4	21.8	2.7	56.3	6.3	12.8
2003 Q1	270 583	349 262	51.0	16.0	12.3	20.7	22.6	2.4	56.0	6.3	12.7
Q2	274 053	350 763	51.4	16.3	12.3	19.9	21.9	3.2	55.8	6.3	12.7
Q3	278 966	356 950	51.1	16.4	12.9	19.6	22.3	2.7	55.9	6.3	12.8
Q4	282 317	362 157	50.8	16.6	13.2	19.4	21.9	3.3	55.7	6.3	12.9
2004 Q1	285 507	364 349	51.3	16.6	12.8	19.4	21.9	2.9	56.0	6.3	13.0
Q2	289 407	370 468	51.1	16.4	13.1	19.4	22.5	2.9	55.6	6.3	12.8
Q3	292 512	375 425	50.9	16.6	13.2	19.4	22.5	2.9	55.6	6.3	12.7
Q4	297 013	382 003	50.6	16.6	13.2	19.6	23.0	2.4	55.7	6.2	12.6
2005 Q1	298 510	382 948	50.7	16.8	13.1	19.4	22.5	2.5	56.2	6.3	12.4

¹ Non-financial and financial corporations.

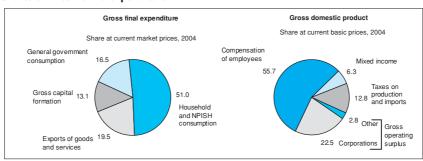
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2.4 Income, product and spending per head

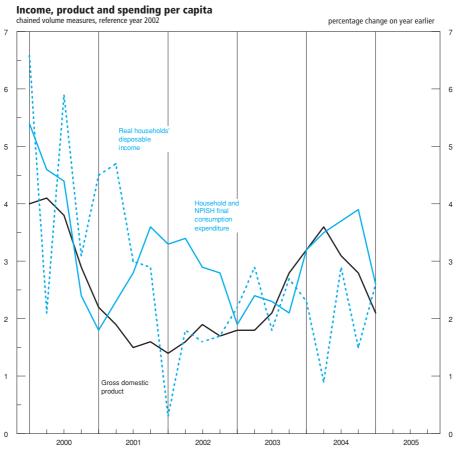
	-	-					£
		At current	prices		Chained volume	e measures (reference y	rear 2002)
	Gross national income at market prices	Gross domestic product at market prices	Household and NPISH final consumption expenditure	Households' gross disposable income	Gross domestic product at market prices	Household and NPISH final consumption expenditure	Real households' disposable income
Annual							
	IHXS	IHXT	IHXU	IHXV	IHXW	IHXX	IHXZ
2001	16 999	16 862	11 172	11 643	17 388	11 337	11 814
2002	18 041	17 674	11 687	11 971	17 675	11 688	11 971
2003	18 945	18 570	12 174	12 500	18 049	11 940	12 258
2004	19 968	19 547	12 768	12 897	18 624	12 366	12 491
Quarterly							
2001 Q1	4 187	4 162	2 738	2 880	4 328	2 804	2 948
Q2	4 236	4 200	2 775	2 900	4 340	2 819	2 947
Q3	4 260	4 214	2 819	2 929	4 350	2 848	2 958
Q4	4 317	4 286	2 840	2 934	4 370	2 866	2 961
2002 Q1	4 409	4 338	2 886	2 945	4 389	2 897	2 956
Q2	4 468	4 404	2 911	2 994	4 409	2 915	2 999
Q3	4 564	4 450	2 929	3 006	4 433	2 930	3 006
Q4	4 600	4 482	2 961	3 026	4 444	2 946	3 010
2003 Q1	4 680	4 549	2 992	3 061	4 466	2 953	3 021
Q2	4 678	4 603	3 030	3 135	4 487	2 984	3 087
Q3	4 755	4 682	3 064	3 130	4 528	2 996	3 060
Q4	4 832	4 736	3 088	3 174	4 568	3 007	3 090
2004 Q1	4 888	4 790	3 135	3 179	4 610	3 048	3 091
Q2	4 965	4 857	3 178	3 207	4 650	3 087	3 115
Q2 Q3	4 977	4 911	3 209	3 252	4 668	3 106	3 148
Q4	5 138	4 989	3 246	3 259	4 696	3 125	3 137
2005 Q1	5 136	5 009	3 261	3 307	4 709	3 126	3 171

² Gross operating surplus of General government, and Households and NPISH plus the adjustment for financial services.

Shares of income and expenditure







Households¹ disposable income and consumption

			£ million	, current prices				£ mi chained volur reference	ne measures,	
	inc	eholds' ome re tax	Gross	Adjustment for the change in net		Households'		Real	Household	Real households'
	Total	of which: Wages and salaries	households' disposable income ²	equity of households in pension funds	Households' Total resources	final consumption expenditure	Households' saving ratio ³ (percentage)+	households' disposable income+ ⁴	final consumption expenditure+	disposable income (index 2002=100)
Annual 2002 2003 2004	RPHP 1 015 614 1 067 190 1 115 198	ROYJ 509 546 526 949 550 788	RPHQ 710 144 744 395 768 304	RPQJ 17 906 21 586 25 712	RPQK 728 050 765 981 794 016	RPQM 693 359 725 012 760 678	NRJS 4.8 5.3 4.2	NRJR 710 144 730 080 744 118	NPSP 693 359 711 070 736 732	OSXS 100.0 102.8 104.8
Quarterly										
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	249 009 253 005 255 632 257 968	125 136 126 891 128 052 129 467	174 431 177 530 178 374 179 809	4 005 4 289 4 740 4 872	178 436 181 819 183 114 184 681	170 968 172 601 173 836 175 954	4.2 5.1 5.1 4.7	175 100 177 785 178 397 178 862	171 624 172 849 173 859 175 027	98.6 100.1 100.5 100.7
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	260 307 266 376 268 894 271 613	130 003 131 002 132 597 133 347	182 099 186 656 186 481 189 159	5 196 4 046 6 211 6 133	187 295 190 702 192 692 195 292	177 952 180 420 182 562 184 078	5.0 5.4 5.3 5.7	179 729 183 802 182 341 184 208	175 637 177 662 178 510 179 261	101.2 103.5 102.7 103.8
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	273 846 276 879 281 418 283 055	135 417 136 685 138 227 140 459	189 501 191 098 193 695 194 010	6 567 5 871 6 153 7 121	196 068 196 969 199 848 201 131	186 882 189 399 191 131 193 266	4.7 3.8 4.4 3.9	184 241 185 609 187 502 186 766	181 697 183 961 185 022 186 052	103.8 104.5 105.6 105.2
2005 Q1	287 614	142 484	197 079	7 131	204 210	194 315	4.8	188 950	186 300	106.4

¹ All households series include also Non-Profit Institutions Serving House-

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Column 1 020 7533 6005; Columns 2-5,7,8,10 020 7533 6027; Columns 6,9 020 7533 5999

Household final consumption expenditure^{1,2} **Chained volume measures**

Reference year 2002, £ million

	UK National ⁴														
								U	K Domes	stic ⁵					
	Total	Net tourism	Total	Food & drink	Alcohol & tobacco	Clothing & footwear	Housing	House- hold goods & services	Health	Trans- port	Communi- cation	Recreat- ion & culture	Educat-	Restaur- ants & hotels	Miscell- aneous
COICOP3	-	-	0	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	80	09	10	11	12
Annual 2002 2003 2004	ABJR 667 361 684 841 709 997	ABTH 10 563 10 638 11 139	ZAKW 656 798 674 203 698 858	ZWUN 61 493 61 883 63 195	ZAKY 25 966 26 364 26 606	ZALA 39 092 41 993 45 905	ZAVO 121 238 122 325 125 070	ZAVW 40 448 42 745 45 243	ZAWC 10 778 11 292 11 830	ZAWM 99 797 102 055 103 907	ZAWW 14 675 15 464 16 332	ZAXA 81 363 87 734 95 449	ZWUT 9 381 8 870 8 831	ZAXS 76 298 76 422 78 241	ZAYG 76 269 77 056 78 249
Quarters															
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	165 301 166 424 167 273 168 363	2 759 2 544 2 628 2 632	162 544 163 881 164 644 165 729	14 965 15 168 15 480 15 880	6 432 6 494 6 505 6 535	9 705 9 724 9 838 9 825	30 106 30 278 30 335 30 519	10 010 9 994 10 160 10 284	2 637 2 684 2 718 2 739	24 670 24 996 25 176 24 955	3 607 3 668 3 688 3 712	20 274 20 202 20 226 20 661	2 419 2 374 2 349 2 239	18 913 19 109 19 161 19 115	18 791 19 194 19 015 19 269
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	169 079 171 108 171 946 172 708	2 821 2 745 2 639 2 433	166 258 168 363 169 307 170 275	15 339 15 881 15 412 15 251	6 538 6 556 6 627 6 643	10 066 10 412 10 741 10 774	30 405 30 476 30 567 30 877	10 514 10 803 10 604 10 824	2 767 2 796 2 834 2 895	25 372 25 633 25 558 25 492	3 746 3 846 3 924 3 948	21 055 21 592 22 323 22 764	2 222 2 211 2 216 2 221	18 881 18 927 19 333 19 281	19 353 19 230 19 168 19 305
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	175 036 177 303 178 333 179 325	2 804 2 766 2 923 2 646	172 232 174 537 175 410 176 679	15 896 15 629 15 699 15 971	6 655 6 668 6 615 6 668	11 033 11 415 11 608 11 849	31 088 31 288 31 316 31 378	10 940 11 273 11 607 11 423	2 877 2 954 2 978 3 021	25 597 25 811 26 075 26 424	4 001 3 975 4 145 4 211	23 041 24 055 24 073 24 280	2 220 2 213 2 206 2 192	19 515 19 719 19 500 19 507	19 369 19 537 19 588 19 755
2005 Q1	179 501	2 824	176 677	15 886	6 686	11 844	31 480	11 465	2 986	26 303	4 331	24 676	2 181	19 861	18 978

¹ Estimates are given to the nearest $\boldsymbol{\mathfrak{L}}$ million but cannot be regarded as accurate to this degree.

² Total household income *less* payments of income tax and other taxes, social contributions and other current transfers.

4 Gross household disposable income revalued by the implied Household and NPISH final consumption expenditure deflator (2002 = 100).

³ Households saving as a percentage of Total resources; this is the sum

of Gross household disposable income and the Adjustment for the change in net equity of households in pension funds (D.8).

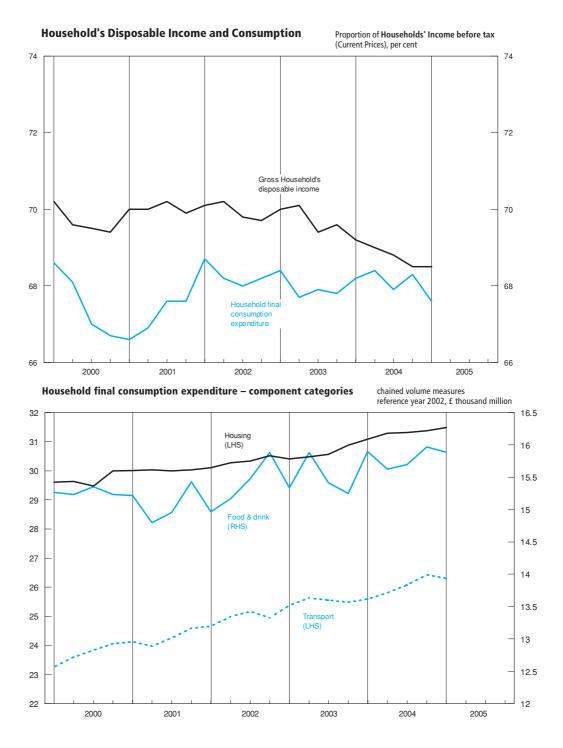
² More detailed estimates of Household Final Consumption Expenditure, expressed in both current prices and chained volume measures

and both unadjusted and seasonally adjusted appear in the ONS publication Consumer Trends.

³ ESA 95 Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose

⁴ Final consumption expenditure by UK households in the UK & abroad 5 Final consumption expenditure in the UK by UK & foreign households

Source: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 5999



2.7 Gross fixed capital formation Chained volume measures

Reference year 2002, £ million

		P	Analysis by secto	r				P	nalysis by a	asset	
			Public corporations ²	Priva	ate sector						
	Business investment ¹	General government	Transfer costs of non-produced assets	Dwellings	Transfer costs of non-produced assets	Total+	Transport equipment	Other machinery and equipment	Dwellings	Other building and structures ³	Intangible fixed assets
Annual											
2000 2001 2002 2003 2004	NPEL 108 189 109 792 110 166 107 747 111 368	DLWF 12 008 13 954 15 580 18 244 20 105	DLWH 8 67 -41 -234 -266	DFEA 28 931 29 195 31 455 32 474 35 548		NPQT 163 709 167 563 172 558 172 573 180 998	DLWL 13 487 14 786 16 214 14 669 14 245	DLWO 56 825 57 545 56 421 54 104 57 090	DFEG 30 797 32 006 34 499 36 056 38 866	DLWT 57 210 57 928 59 836 61 934 64 601	EQDO 5 091 5 047 5 588 5 810 6 196
Quarterly											
2000 Q1	25 974	2 785	-1	7 486	4 091	40 052	3 324	13 307	7 926	14 416	1 234
Q2	26 195	2 950	1	7 415	3 462	40 010	3 297	13 722	7 868	13 827	1 286
Q3	27 345	2 886	-	7 260	3 527	41 109	3 284	14 517	7 715	14 164	1 277
Q4	28 675	3 387	8	6 770	3 388	42 538	3 582	15 279	7 288	14 803	1 294
2001 Q1	27 875	2 985	35	7 312	3 734	42 007	3 303	14 720	7 911	14 686	1 261
Q2	27 726	3 618	28	7 155	3 539	42 160	3 881	14 262	7 891	14 830	1 251
Q3	27 586	3 648	3	7 522	3 427	42 249	3 884	14 460	8 252	14 343	1 265
Q4	26 605	3 703	1	7 206	3 643	41 147	3 718	14 103	7 952	14 069	1 270
2002 Q1	27 145	3 726	4	7 295	3 440	41 651	4 045	13 697	8 006	14 602	1 306
Q2	27 421	3 832	10	7 759	3 924	42 936	4 009	14 394	8 396	14 704	1 404
Q3	27 325	4 029	-25	8 104	4 177	43 562	4 137	14 279	8 829	14 896	1 411
Q4	28 275	3 993	-30	8 297	3 857	44 409	4 023	14 051	9 268	15 634	1 467
2003 Q1	26 670	4 747	-13	7 831	3 997	43 232	3 871	13 766	8 824	15 347	1 424
Q2	27 231	4 079	-49	8 031	3 551	42 843	3 454	13 043	8 835	16 074	1 437
Q3	26 424	4 487	-98	8 237	3 409	42 459	3 633	13 317	9 165	14 885	1 459
Q4	27 422	4 931	-74	8 375	3 385	44 039	3 711	13 978	9 232	15 628	1 490
2004 Q1	27 437	4 764	-59	8 762	3 521	44 425	3 543	14 246	9 512	15 615	1 509
Q2	27 644	5 034	-76	8 874	3 625	45 101	3 696	14 223	9 721	15 924	1 537
Q3	28 194	5 228	-83	8 900	3 541	45 780	3 592	14 203	9 784	16 639	1 562
Q4	28 093	5 079	-48	9 012	3 556	45 692	3 414	14 418	9 849	16 423	1 588
2005 Q1	28 126	5 958	-85	8 914	2 898	45 811	3 422	14 495	9 701	16 596	1 597
Percentage	change, latest	quarter on cor	responding quan	ter of previou	us year						
2000 Q1	1.2	-4.6	, ,	-0.2	27.6	1.7	-14.9	4.1	-0.2	5.2	4.5
Q2	3.4	6.0		4.2	0.2	3.6	-7.5	8.6	1.3	1.6	6.1
Q3	3.7	2.7		6.1	-10.3	3.1	-12.0	10.0	6.8	-2.4	4.2
Q4	9.5	21.7		-8.1	-20.1	5.7	-5.4	18.0	-7.2	1.1	2.7
2001 Q1	7.3	7.2		-2.3	-8.7	4.9	-0.6	10.6	-0.2	1.9	2.2
Q2	5.8	22.6		-3.5	2.2	5.4	17.7	3.9	0.3	7.3	-2.7
Q3	0.9	26.4		3.6	-2.8	2.8	18.3	-0.4	7.0	1.3	-0.9
Q4	-7.2	9.3		6.4	7.5	-3.3	3.8	-7.7	9.1	-5.0	-1.9
2002 Q1	-2.6	24.8		-0.2	-7.9	-0.8	22.5	-6.9	1.2	-0.6	3.6
Q2	-1.1	5.9		8.4	10.9	1.8	3.3	0.9	6.4	-0.8	12.2
Q3	-0.9	10.4		7.7	21.9	3.1	6.5	-1.3	7.0	3.9	11.5
Q4	6.3	7.8		15.1	5.9	7.9	8.2	-0.4	16.5	11.1	15.5
2003 Q1	-1.7	27.4		7.3	16.2	3.8	-4.3	0.5	10.2	5.1	9.0
Q2	-0.7	6.4		3.5	-9.5	-0.2	-13.8	-9.4	5.2	9.3	2.4
Q3	-3.3	11.4		1.6	-18.4	-2.5	-12.2	-6.7	3.8	-0.1	3.4
Q4	-3.0	23.5		0.9	-12.2	-0.8	-7.8	-0.5	-0.4	0.0	1.6
2004 Q1	2.9	0.4		11.9	-11.9	2.8	-8.5	3.5	7.8	1.7	6.0
Q2	1.5	23.4		10.5	2.1	5.3	7.0	9.0	10.0	-0.9	7.0
Q3	6.7	16.5		8.0	3.9	7.8	-1.1	6.7	6.8	11.8	7.1
Q4	2.4	3.0		7.6	5.1	3.8	-8.0	3.1	6.7	5.1	6.6
2005 Q1	2.5	25.1		1.7	-17.7	3.1	-3.4	1.7	2.0	6.3	5.8

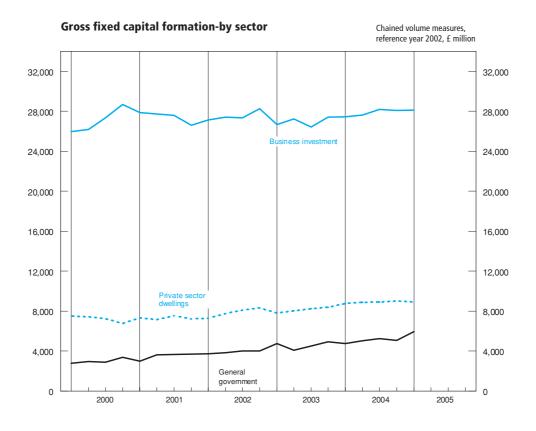
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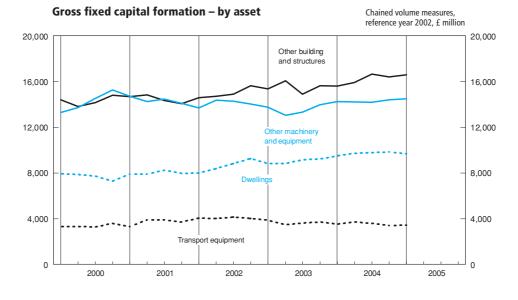
2 Remaining investment by public non-financial corporations is included within business investment.

business investment.

3 Including costs associated with transfer of ownership of non-produced assets.

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Gross value added, chained volume indices at basic prices, by category of output^{1,3}

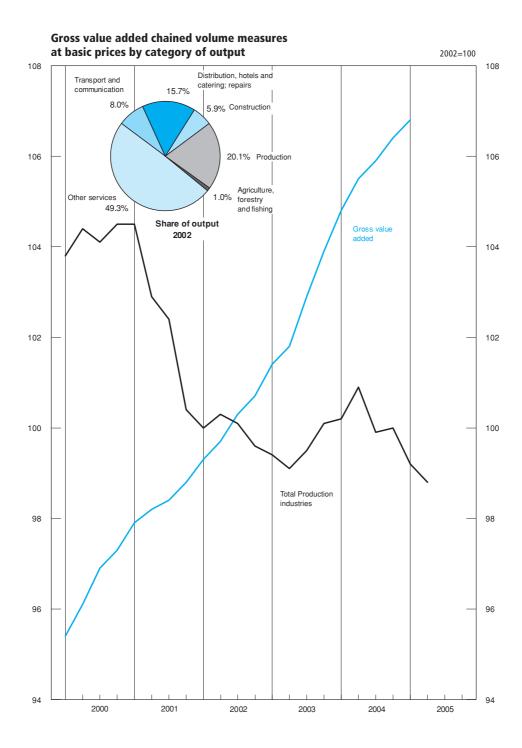
2002 = 100

			Produc	tion				Serv	ice industrie	s:			
	Agric- ulture, forestry, and fishing	Mining and quarrying including oil and gas extraction	Manu- facturing	Elec- tricity gas and water supply	Total	Const- ruction	Distri- bution hotels and catering; repairs	Transport storage and comm- unication	Business services and finance	Govern- ment and other services	Total	Gross value added at basic prices	Gross value added excluding oil
2002 Weights ¹	10	24	159	18	201	59	157	80	264	229	730	1000	979
	GDQA	CKYX	CKYY	CKYZ	CKYW	GDQB	GDQE	GDQH	GDQN	GDQU	GDQS	CGCE	JUNT
2000	98.0	106.1	104.6	98.2	104.2	94.6	93.5	94.1	93.9	95.5	94.3	96.4	96.2
2001	89.1	100.3	103.2	100.5	102.6	96.3	95.6	97.8	98.4	97.5	97.4	98.3	98.3
2002 2003	100.0 98.3	100.0 94.9	100.0 100.1	100.0 101.2	100.0 99.5	100.0 105.2	100.0 103.5	100.0 102.6	100.0 102.8	100.0 102.1	100.0 102.7	100.0 102.5	100.0 102.7
2004	99.8	87.3	101.9	103.4	100.3	108.9	108.6	105.4	107.5	105.0	106.7	105.6	106.1
Quarterly													
2000 Q1	98.6	110.2	103.8	96.9	103.8	96.9	92.5	91.2	92.0	94.6	92.9	95.4	95.1
Q2	98.0	108.7	104.4	99.2	104.4	94.6	93.1	93.3	93.1	95.3	93.8	96.1	95.9
Q3 Q4	99.3 95.9	105.0 100.8	104.6 105.5	98.1 98.5	104.1 104.5	93.0 94.0	94.3 94.0	95.4 96.4	94.8 95.7	96.0 96.0	95.1 95.5	96.9 97.3	96.7 97.2
Q4	33.3	100.0	105.5	30.5	104.5	34.0	54.0	30.4	93.7	90.0	95.5	37.3	51.2
2001 Q1	89.8	99.3	105.5	102.1	104.5	95.5	94.7	97.7	96.6	96.5	96.3	97.9	97.9
Q2 Q3	88.2 88.0	101.9 100.8	103.2 103.0	101.1 99.9	102.9 102.4	95.8 96.4	95.1 95.7	98.0	98.4 98.7	97.1 97.7	97.2 97.6	98.2 98.4	98.1 98.4
Q3 Q4	90.2	99.2	100.9	98.8	100.4	97.6	97.0	97.4 98.0	99.8	98.6	98.6	98.8	98.8
2002 Q1	98.4	100.1	100.2	98.2	100.0	99.2	98.6	99.6	99.1	99.2	99.1	99.3	99.3
Q2	100.6	104.3	99.7	99.4	100.3	98.8	99.3	99.0	99.7	99.8	99.6	99.7	99.6
Q3	101.0	95.6	100.7	101.2	100.1	100.4	100.4	100.1	100.6	100.2	100.4	100.3	100.4
Q4	100.1	100.0	99.3	101.3	99.6	101.7	101.7	101.2	100.6	100.7	101.0	100.7	100.7
2003 Q1	97.9	99.6	99.4	99.3	99.4	102.0	101.7	101.5	101.8	101.0	101.5	101.4	101.4
Q2	97.8	95.2	99.5	100.2	99.1	104.0	103.0	102.3	101.8	101.6	102.0	101.8	102.0
Q3 Q4	98.7 98.8	93.5 91.1	100.2 101.1	101.6 103.5	99.5 100.1	107.1 107.7	104.1 105.3	103.1 103.4	102.9 104.8	102.5 103.4	103.1 104.3	102.9 103.9	103.1 104.2
2004 Q1	99.9	89.8	101.5	103.7	100.2	108.0	107.4	104.0	106.3	104.0	105.6	104.8	105.1
Q2	99.6	90.7	102.3	102.8	100.9	108.2	108.6	105.0	106.7	105.0	106.4	105.5	105.9
Q3	99.8	85.6	101.7	103.7	99.9	109.1	109.2	105.5	108.1	105.1	107.1	105.9	106.3
Q4	100.1	83.3	102.3	103.3	100.0	110.1	109.2	106.8	108.8	105.7	107.7	106.4	106.9
2005 Q1 Q2	97.7 98.9	82.9 84.1	101.3 100.6	101.9 103.0	99.2 98.8	110.8 111.2	109.1 109.6	107.9 107.9	109.9 110.8	106.6 107.3	108.5 109.1	106.8	107.4
Percentage chan							.00.0			.07.0			
2000 Q1	-0.6	1.6		1.9	•	4.9	2.0	0.0	3.3	4.5	4.3	4.2	12
Q2	-0.6 -0.1	-0.9	2.8 3.0	1.9 4.1	2.6 2.8	2.0	2.8 2.9	8.8 9.6	3.3 4.4	4.5	4.6	4.3 4.3	4.3 4.6
Q3	1.4	-5.3	1.9	1.6	1.1	-1.2	3.4	11.1	6.0	3.7	5.2	4.3	4.4
Q4	-3.2	-7.9	2.2	1.2	1.2	-0.5	2.3	9.0	4.8	2.6	4.0	3.4	3.6
2001 Q1	-8.9	-9.9	1.6	5.4	0.7	-1.4	2.4	7.1	5.0	2.0	3.7	2.6	2.9
Q2	-10.0	-6.3	-1.1	1.9	-1.4	1.3	2.1	5.0	5.7	1.9	3.6	2.2	2.3
Q3 Q4	-11.4 -5.9	−4.0 −1.6	-1.5 -4.4	1.8 0.3	−1.6 −3.9	3.7 3.8	1.5 3.2	2.1 1.7	4.1 4.3	1.8 2.7	2.6 3.2	1.5 1.5	1.8 1.6
2002 Q1	9.6	0.8	-5.0	-3.8	-4.3	3.9	4.1	1.9	2.6	2.8	2.9	1.4	1.4
Q2	14.1	2.4	-3.4	-1.7	-2.5	3.1	4.4	1.0	1.3	2.8	2.5	1.5	1.5
Q3	14.8	-5.2	-2.2	1.3	-2.2	4.1	4.9	2.8	1.9	2.6	2.9	1.9	2.0
Q4	11.0	0.8	-1.6	2.5	-0.8	4.2	4.8	3.3	0.8	2.1	2.4	1.9	1.9
2003 Q1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.8	1.1	-0.6	2.8	3.1	1.9	2.7	1.8	2.4	2.1	2.1
Q2 Q3	-2.8	-8.7	-0.2	0.8	-1.2	5.3	3.7	3.3	2.1	1.8	2.4	2.1	2.4
Q3 Q4	<i>−2.3</i> <i>−1.3</i>	-2.2 -8.9	-0.5 1.8	0.4 2.2	-0.6 0.5	6.7 5.9	3.7 3.5	3.0 2.2	2.3 4.2	2.3 2.7	2.7 3.3	2.6 3.2	2.7 3.5
2004 Q1	2.0	-9.8	2.1	4.4	0.8	5.9	5.6	2.5	4.4	3.0	4.0	3.4	3.6
Q2	1.8	-4.7	2.8	2.6	1.8	4.0	5.4	2.6	4.8	3.3	4.3	3.6	3.8
Q3	1.1	-8.4	1.5	2.1	0.4	1.9	4.9	2.3	5.1	2.5	3.9	2.9	3.1
Q4	1.3	-8.6	1.2	-0.2	-0.1	2.2	3.7	3.3	3.8	2.2	3.3	2.4	2.6
2005 Q1	-2.2	-7.7	-0.2	-1.7	-1.0	2.6	1.6	3.8	3.4	2.5	2.7	1.9	2.2
Q2	-0.7	-7.3	-1.7	0.2	-2.1	2.8	0.9	2.8	3.8	2.2	2.5		

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 1-11 020 7533 5969; Column 12 020 7533 6031

Estimates cannot be regarded as accurate to the last digit shown.
 Weights may not sum to the totals due to rounding. The weights shown are in proportion to total gross value added (GVA) in 2002, and are used to combine the industry output indices to calculate the totals for 2003 and 2004. For 2002 and earlier, totals are calculated using the equivalent weights for the previous year (e.g. totals for 2002 use 2001 weights).

³ Components of output are valued at basic prices, which excludes taxes and subsidies on production



Gross value added chained volume indices at basic prices, by category of output: **Service industries**

2002 = 100

		ion hotels ing; repairs		ort, storage munication	Business	services a	nd finance	G	overnment a	and other ser	vices		
		Hotels and restaurants		Post and telecommu- nication	Financial intermedi- ation ³	Real estate, renting and business activities	Ownership of dwellings	PAD ¹	Education	Health and social work	Other services ²	Adjustment for financial services ⁴	Tota services
2002 weights	124	34	48	31	68	162	78	50	60	67	52	-44	730
Annual 2000 2001 2002 2002 2003 2004	GDQC 92.3 95.2 100.0 102.9 107.9	GDQD 98.0 97.4 100.0 105.9 111.0	GDQF 95.7 97.3 100.0 100.8 104.6	GDQG 91.7 98.5 100.0 105.4 106.5	GDQI 95.8 100.9 100.0 101.8 106.1	GDQK 92.1 97.2 100.0 105.7 114.0	GDQL 96.1 98.8 100.0 102.2 104.1	GDQO 96.3 97.5 100.0 103.5 106.7	GDQP 97.8 98.6 100.0 100.5 100.5	GDQQ 93.9 96.6 100.0 103.2 107.5	GDQR 93.9 97.1 100.0 101.2 105.0	GDQJ 92.7 97.2 100.0 110.8 123.3	GDQS 94.3 97.4 100.0 102.7 106.7
Quarterly													
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	90.8 92.0 93.3 93.3	99.5 97.6 98.3 96.5	93.9 95.9 97.2 95.8	87.2 89.4 92.8 97.3	94.6 95.5 96.1 97.0	89.1 91.5 93.4 94.3	95.3 95.0 96.3 97.8	95.2 96.0 96.9 97.2	97.8 97.9 97.9 97.7	92.4 94.0 94.5 94.8	93.2 93.5 94.6 94.4	89.3 92.8 93.2 95.5	92.9 93.8 95.1 95.5
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	94.2 94.5 95.2 96.8	97.0 97.1 97.9 97.8	96.8 97.6 97.4 97.5	99.1 98.7 97.4 98.8	99.2 101.2 100.7 102.4	95.5 97.0 97.5 98.7	98.1 98.7 99.2 99.3	97.0 97.4 97.3 98.4	97.8 98.4 98.9 99.3	95.4 96.4 96.8 98.0	95.8 96.1 97.8 98.8	97.7 96.5 97.1 97.4	96.3 97.2 97.6 98.6
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	98.7 99.5 100.4 101.4	98.3 98.5 100.3 102.8	99.3 99.3 100.5 100.9	100.1 98.6 99.5 101.8	99.5 98.9 100.9 100.8	98.3 99.8 100.8 101.1	99.4 99.7 100.0 100.8	98.9 99.8 100.2 101.1	99.9 99.9 100.0 100.2	98.2 100.1 100.7 101.0	100.2 99.5 99.8 100.6	97.4 99.0 100.4 103.2	99.1 99.6 100.4 101.0
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	101.0 102.2 103.6 104.8	104.2 106.0 106.1 107.2	99.7 99.5 101.8 102.1	104.4 106.6 105.0 105.5	101.2 101.7 101.6 102.6	103.1 104.1 106.2 109.5	101.5 101.8 102.3 103.2	102.2 103.1 104.3 104.5	100.3 100.5 100.5 100.5	101.7 102.1 103.5 105.4	99.6 100.5 101.6 102.9	105.3 110.1 111.9 115.8	101.5 102.0 103.1 104.3
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	106.8 108.0 108.7 108.4	109.5 111.2 111.2 112.3	103.3 104.7 104.1 106.4	105.0 105.6 107.7 107.6	105.3 103.9 106.9 108.5	111.8 113.1 114.7 116.3	103.7 104.0 104.1 104.7	105.6 106.3 106.9 107.9	100.4 100.4 100.7 100.7	106.8 106.9 107.6 108.8	103.0 106.4 105.2 105.4	120.1 121.3 123.3 128.4	105.6 106.4 107.1 107.7
2005 Q1 Q2	108.2	112.3 	108.4	107.0 	110.0	117.5 	104.9	108.9 	101.0	109.4	107.0 	128.9	108.5 109.1
Percentage ch	ange, quarte	er on corresp	oonding qua	arter of previo	us year								
Quarterly													
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	2.3 3.3 4.0 3.3	4.8 1.5 1.0 -1.7	8.8	15.3 12.9 14.9 16.1	6.1 4.6 6.3 4.3	5.2 8.8 9.5 7.3	-1.8 -2.6 -0.3 2.6	5.5 5.0 4.5 3.3	2.2 1.7		5.0 4.1 4.0 2.3	4.9 7.3 7.5 10.7	4.3 4.6 5.2 4.0
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	3.7 2.7 2.0 3.8		1.8 0.2	13.6 10.4 5.0 1.5	4.9 6.0 4.8 5.6	6.0 4.4	2.9 3.9 3.0 1.5	1.9 1.5 0.4 1.2	0.5 1.0		2.8 2.8 3.4 4.7	9.4 4.0 4.2 2.0	3.7 3.6 2.6 3.2
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	4.8 5.3 5.5 4.8	1.3 1.4 2.5 5.1	1.7	-0.1 2.2	0.3 -2.3 0.2 -1.6	2.9 3.4	1.3 1.0 0.8 1.5	2.0 2.5 3.0 2.7	1.5 1.1	2.9 3.8 4.0 3.1	4.6 3.5 2.0 1.8	-0.3 2.6 3.4 6.0	2.9 2.5 2.9 2.4
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	2.3 2.7 3.2 3.4	6.0 7.6 5.8 4.3	0.2 1.3	5.5	1.7 2.8 0.7 1.8	4.3 5.4	2.1 2.1 2.3 2.4	3.3 3.3 4.1 3.4		2.8	-0.6 1.0 1.8 2.3	8.1 11.2 11.5 12.2	2.4 2.4 2.7 3.3
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	5.7 5.7 4.9 3.4		2.3	2.6	4.1 2.2 5.2 5.8	8.0	2.2 2.2 1.8 1.5	3.3 3.1 2.5 3.3	-0.1 0.2		3.4 5.9 3.5 2.4	14.1 10.2 10.2 10.9	4.0 4.3 3.9 3.3
2005 Q1 Q2	1.3	2.6 		1.9	4.5 		1.2 	3.1 	0.6	2.4 	3.9 	7.3 	2.7 2.5

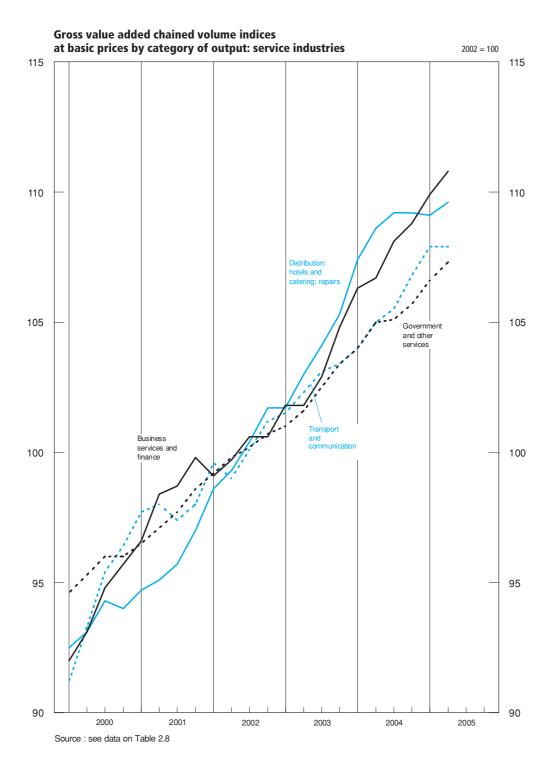
¹ Public administration and national defence; compulsory social security.

Comprising sections O, and P of the SIC(92).
 Comprises section J of the SIC(92). This covers activities of institutions such as banks, building societies, securities dealers, insurance companies and pension funds. It also covers institutions whose activities are closely related to financial intermediation: for example fund managers and insurance brokers

⁴ The weight and proxy series for financial intermediation are calculated before the deduction of interest receipts and payments to provide a better indication of the underlying activity for this section (see note 3). However, this overstates the contribution to GDP because interest flows should be treated as transfer payments rather than final consumption. The financial services adjustment, which has a negative weight, corrects for this.

5 See footnote 2 on Table 2.8

Source: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 5969



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Summary capital accounts and net lending/net borrowing

£ million

	Non-financial corporations					Financia	l corporations	i		General	Government	
	Gross saving ¹	Capital transfers (net receipts)	Gross capital formation ²	Net acquisition of non-financ- ial assets	Gross saving ¹	Capital transfers (net receipts)	Gross capital formation ²	Net acquisition of non-financ- ial assets	Gross saving ¹	Capital transfers (net receipts)	Gross capital formation ²	Net acquisition of non-financ- ial assets
Annual	RPJV	GZQW	RQBZ	RQAX	RPPS	GZQE	RPYP	RPYO	RPQC	GZQU	RPZF	RPZE
2001 2002 2003 2004	89 893 107 576 116 456 127 173	2 661 2 098 3 316 2 959	103 976 99 453 99 413 104 742	1 208 1 431 1 241 1 564	-9 450 15 325 18 972 22 591	- - - -	7 300 6 732 3 452 3 915	-43 -36 -3 -6	25 272 1 602 -13 036 -11 404	-4 081 -3 674 -5 525 -4 826	13 929 15 602 18 244 20 695	-916 -1 087 -957 -1 071
Quarterly												
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	22 815 21 835 23 676 21 567	599 627 719 716	25 568 26 171 26 324 25 913	271 305 331 301	-5 721 -1 717 -2 789 777	- - -	2 368 2 239 1 342 1 351	-9 -11 -11 -12	8 635 6 420 6 372 3 845	-749 -1 229 -1 152 -951	2 966 3 621 3 617 3 725	-222 -221 -234 -239
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	25 584 26 944 27 663 27 385	517 350 561 670	25 016 24 705 24 418 25 314	379 330 358 364	2 755 2 068 4 060 6 442	- - - -	843 1 196 3 068 1 625	-11 -10 -9 -6	1 880 192 1 026 –1 496	-1 054 -647 -971 -1 002	3 803 3 900 4 019 3 880	-284 -233 -238 -332
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	29 099 27 352 29 280 30 725	729 947 850 790	22 061 24 024 25 990 27 338	282 332 364 263	6 274 3 677 3 902 5 119	- - - -	2 120 876 148 308	-3 - 1 -1	-2 249 -2 759 -2 867 -5 161	-1 560 -1 468 -1 304 -1 193	4 546 4 190 4 573 4 935	-205 -256 -252 -244
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	31 276 31 659 29 253 34 985	861 840 608 650	25 713 25 989 26 238 26 802	349 398 423 394	4 339 5 225 5 755 7 272	- - -	302 768 1 320 1 525	- -2 -2 -2	-3 243 -1 011 -3 280 -3 870	-1 186 -1 273 -1 116 -1 251	4 527 5 095 5 503 5 570	-247 -275 -279 -270
2005 Q1	30 381	1 692	27 473	383	7 306	_	-545	-1	-3 251	-2 925	6 219	-264

		Household	ls & NPISH			Ne	et lending(+)/ne	t borrowing(-) ³		
	Gross saving ¹	Capital transfers (net receipts)	Gross capital formation ²	Net acquisition of non-financial assets	Non-financial corporations	Financial corporations	General government	Households & NPISH	Rest of the world ⁴	Statistical Discrepancy
Annual		. ,			·	·				
	RPQL	GZQI	RPZV	RPZU	RQAW	RPYN	RPZD	RPZT	RQCH	RVFE
2001	44 352	3 023	43 996	-152	-15 981	-16 707	8 178	3 531	20 979	-
2002	34 691	2 876	50 268	-176	4 864	8 629	-16 587	-12 525	15 619	-
2003	40 969	3 876	55 475	-210	15 290	15 523	-35 848	-10 420	15 455	_
2004	33 338	4 358	62 575	-276	20 655	18 682	-35 854	-24 603	20 995	125
Quarterly										
2001 Q1	12 161	418	10 881	-25	-3 363	-8 080	5 142	1 723	4 578	-4 953
Q2	11 344	1 266	10 540	-36	-4 867	-3 945	1 791	2 106	4 915	-3 010
Q3	10 640	747	11 628	-44	-3 009	-4 120	1 837	-197	5 489	1 299
Q4	10 207	592	10 947	-47	-4 742	-562	-592	-101	5 997	6 664
2002 Q1	7 468	787	12 028	-47	-68	1 923	-2 693	-3 726	4 564	-2 881
Q2	9 218	556	12 968	-45	1 543	882	-4 122	-3 149	4 846	-2 161
Q3	9 278	697	12 149	-43	2 713	1 001	-3 726	-2 131	2 143	5 233
Q4	8 727	836	13 123	-41	676	4 823	-6 046	-3 519	4 066	-191
2003 Q1	9 343	1 156	13 018	-46	6 110	4 157	-8 150	-2 473	355	-3 802
Q2	10 282	779	13 255	-49	3 047	2 801	-8 161	-2 145	4 457	-1 887
Q3	10 130	863	14 525	-55	2 938	3 753	-8 492	-3 477	5 278	4 141
Q4	11 214	1 078	14 677	- 60	3 195	4 812	-11 045	-2 325	5 365	1 548
2004 Q1	9 186	1 132	15 234	– 65	5 286	4 037	-8 709	-4 851	4 213	-7 158
Q2	7 570	1 132	15 892	-68	5 270	4 459	-7 104	-7 115	4 460	-3 072
Q3	8 717	899	15 656	-08 -71	2 436	4 437	-7 104 -9 620	-7 113 -5 969	8 681	5 043
Q3 Q4	7 865	1 188	15 793	-71 -72	7 663	5 749	-10 421	-6 668	3 641	5 312
Q4	7 800	1 100	15 /93	-/2	7 003	5 /49	-10 421	-0 008	3 041	3312
2005 Q1	9 895	2 089	16 539	-74	3 642	7 852	-12 131	-4 481	5 087	-8 579

4 Equals, the current balance of payments accounts, plus capital transfers.

Sources: Office for National Statistics;

Enquiries Part 1 (Upper) Columns 1,3-5,7-9,11,12 020 7533 6031;

Columns 2,6,10 020 7533 5985;

Part 2 (Lower) Columns 1, 3-10 020 7533 6031; Column 2 020 7533 5985

Before providing for depreciation, inventory holding gains.
 Comprises gross fixed capital formation and changes in inventories and acquisitions less disposals of valuables.

³ This balance is equal to gross saving *plus* capital transfers *less* gross fixed capital formation, *less* Net acquisition of non-financial assets, less changes in inventories.

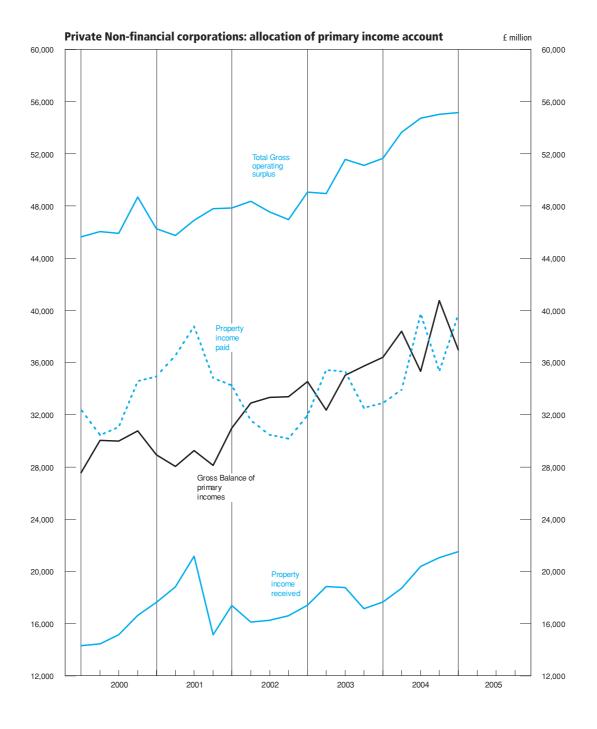


Private Non-Financial Corporations : Allocation of Primary Income Account 2.11

£ million

				Resources					Us	es		
		Gross	operating s					Proper	ty income pay			
	Gross tradir		,	to a a,					,			
	Continental shelf companies	Others ¹	Rental of buildings	less Inventory holding gains	Gross operating surplus+1	Property income receipts	Total resources 1,2	Total payments	of which Dividends	of which Interest	Gross balance of primary incomes ¹	Share of gross national income ¹ (%)
Annual												
1995 1996 1997 1998 1999	CAGD 12 124 15 726 14 002 11 701 13 669	CAED 125 151 136 579 149 176 153 282 157 101	FCBW 9 379 8 948 9 254 9 724 10 742	-DLRA -4 489 -958 -361 753 -1 801	CAER 142 165 160 295 172 071 175 460 179 711	RPBM 42 948 45 712 48 067 49 543 48 045	RPBN 185 113 206 007 220 138 225 003 227 756	RPBP 95 631 104 695 111 546 110 015 118 244	RVFT 46 218 51 609 56 250 51 578 61 101	ROCG 24 098 23 965 26 541 31 095 31 016	RPBO 89 482 101 312 108 592 114 988 109 512	NRJL 12.5 13.3 13.4 13.2 12.1
2000	20 936	156 678	11 657	-2 941	186 330	60 525	246 855	128 508	55 846	37 912	118 347	12.4
2001	19 696	154 292	12 304	434	186 726	72 749	259 475	145 111	77 516	39 419	114 364	11.4
2002	19 132	161 586	12 885	-2 856	190 747	66 330	257 077	126 455	61 580	36 459	130 622	12.2
2003	18 631	172 608	13 652	-4 148	200 743	72 178	272 921	135 219	71 336	36 007	137 702	12.2
2004	18 897	186 050	14 225	-4 113	215 059	77 798	292 857	141 930	70 353	41 181	150 927	12.7
Quarterly												
1995 Q1	2 966	31 468	2 264	-1 738	34 960	9 221	44 181	21 980	9 747	5 620	22 201	12.6
Q2	3 113	30 827	2 336	-1 588	34 688	10 022	44 710	22 293	9 732	5 959	22 417	12.7
Q3	2 934	31 550	2 379	-1 181	35 682	11 776	47 458	25 500	13 092	6 112	21 958	12.2
Q4	3 111	31 306	2 400	18	36 835	11 929	48 764	25 858	13 647	6 407	22 906	12.5
1996 Q1	3 529	32 829	2 331	-800	37 799	10 997	48 796	27 293	12 654	6 119	21 503	11.5
Q2	3 935	33 170	2 248	-102	39 409	12 005	51 414	24 196	11 156	5 964	27 218	14.4
Q3	4 087	34 782	2 192	-208	40 849	10 185	51 034	25 512	12 420	5 895	25 522	13.3
Q4	4 175	35 798	2 177	152	42 238	12 525	54 763	27 694	15 379	5 987	27 069	14.0
1997 Q1	3 891	36 976	2 247	-23	43 124	10 951	54 075	25 631	12 345	6 125	28 444	14.4
Q2	3 294	37 239	2 294	239	43 083	11 608	54 691	27 945	14 723	6 623	26 746	13.2
Q3	3 454	37 747	2 341	-506	43 039	13 883	56 922	28 519	15 210	6 627	28 403	13.8
Q4	3 363	37 214	2 372	-71	42 825	11 625	54 450	29 451	13 972	7 166	24 999	12.1
1998 Q1	3 161	36 871	2 414	107	43 101	13 795	56 896	30 385	15 077	7 545	26 511	12.6
Q2	3 105	37 239	2 424	53	42 788	11 590	54 378	26 444	11 541	7 735	27 934	13.0
Q3	2 780	39 682	2 435	315	44 757	11 711	56 468	26 385	11 509	7 965	30 083	13.6
Q4	2 655	39 490	2 451	278	44 814	12 447	57 261	26 801	13 451	7 850	30 460	13.7
1999 Q1	2 603	38 895	2 592	-302	44 006	7 978	51 984	18 758	7 482	7 464	33 226	15.1
Q2	3 018	40 192	2 647	-440	45 681	14 108	59 789	36 939	23 479	7 413	22 850	10.2
Q3	3 955	38 736	2 715	-645	44 398	11 297	55 695	29 934	14 595	7 806	25 761	11.3
Q4	4 093	39 278	2 788	-414	45 626	14 662	60 288	32 613	15 545	8 333	27 675	12.0
2000 Q1	4 626	38 558	2 801	-702	45 649	14 310	59 959	32 410	15 181	8 844	27 549	11.7
Q2	5 134	38 494	2 875	-830	46 057	14 446	60 503	30 455	12 370	9 405	30 048	12.7
Q3	5 407	38 882	2 953	-799	45 922	15 138	61 060	31 071	12 127	9 615	29 989	12.5
Q4	5 769	40 744	3 028	-610	48 702	16 631	65 333	34 572	16 168	10 048	30 761	12.7
2001 Q1	5 450	36 936	3 039	329	46 265	17 627	63 892	34 961	15 759	10 406	28 931	11.7
Q2	5 348	36 862	3 071	5	45 747	18 820	64 567	36 530	19 491	9 929	28 037	11.2
Q3	4 697	39 808	3 093	-52	46 904	21 158	68 062	38 796	21 835	10 107	29 266	11.6
Q4	4 201	40 686	3 101	152	47 810	15 144	62 954	34 824	20 431	8 977	28 130	11.0
2002 Q1	4 329	41 071	3 181	-733	47 848	17 375	65 223	34 242	18 302	9 077	30 981	11.9
Q2	4 774	41 177	3 193	-762	48 382	16 111	64 493	31 588	15 336	9 123	32 905	12.4
Q3	4 771	39 943	3 232	-384	47 562	16 242	63 804	30 462	14 917	9 083	33 342	12.3
Q4	5 258	39 395	3 279	-977	46 955	16 602	63 557	30 163	13 025	9 176	33 394	12.2
2003 Q1	5 116	41 381	3 337	-761	49 073	17 415	66 488	31 951	15 883	9 146	34 537	12.4
Q2	4 047	42 817	3 393	-1 286	48 971	18 853	67 824	35 453	19 072	8 851	32 371	11.6
Q3	4 951	44 101	3 442	-912	51 582	18 770	70 352	35 302	19 538	8 904	35 050	12.4
Q4	4 517	44 309	3 480	-1 189	51 117	17 140	68 257	32 513	16 843	9 106	35 744	12.4
2004 Q1	4 642	44 413	3 507	-908	51 654	17 664	69 318	32 906	16 366	9 543	36 412	12.5
Q2	4 799	46 112	3 534	-799	53 646	18 705	72 351	33 932	16 442	10 282	38 419	13.0
Q3	4 889	47 315	3 570	-1 051	54 723	20 376	75 099	39 766	21 263	10 639	35 333	11.9
Q4	4 567	48 210	3 614	-1 355	55 036	21 053	76 089	35 326	16 282	10 717	40 763	13.3
2005 Q1	4 798	47 670	3 651	-954	55 165	21 516	76 681	39 697	21 145	11 017	36 984	12.1

Quarterly alignment adjustment included in this series.
 Total resources equals total uses.



Private Non-financial Corporations : Secondary Distribution of Income Account and Capital Account

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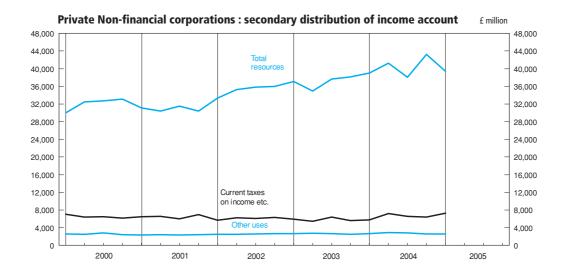
		Secondary [Distribution	of Income A	ccount				Cap	oital Account		
		Resources			Uses		Chane liabil & net	lities		Changes	in assets	
	Gross balance of primary incomes ¹	Other resources ²	Total ^{1,3}	Taxes on income	Other uses ⁴	Gross disposable income ^{1,5}	Net capital transfer receipts	Total ¹	Gross fixed capital formation	Changes in inventories ¹	Other changes in assets ⁶	Net lending (+) or borrowing (-) 1,7
Annual												
1995 1996 1997 1998 1999	RPBO 89 482 101 312 108 592 114 988 109 512	NROQ 7 704 8 420 7 097 8 179 7 875	RPKY 97 186 109 732 115 689 123 167 117 387	RPLA 18 953 23 080 28 558 26 877 22 608	NROO 8 104 9 938 7 576 8 623 8 444	RPKZ 70 129 76 714 79 555 87 667 86 335	NROP 433 428 671 1 081 958	RPXH 70 562 77 142 80 226 88 748 87 293	ROAW 64 444 72 778 81 089 90 180 94 463	DLQY 4 542 1 672 3 949 4 533 6 174	NRON 388 263 401 1 287 1 036	RQBV 1 188 2 429 -5 213 -7 252 -14 380
2000	118 347	9 990	128 337	26 188	10 403	91 746	405	92 151	96 873	5 512	776	-11 010
2001	114 364	9 229	123 593	26 061	9 640	87 892	1 621	89 513	98 035	5 941	1 138	-15 601
2002	130 622	9 889	140 511	24 432	10 311	105 768	1 093	106 861	96 819	2 677	1 212	6 153
2003	137 702	10 199	147 901	23 461	10 633	113 807	2 692	116 499	95 556	3 954	862	16 127
2004	150 927	10 647	161 574	26 104	11 093	124 377	2 425	126 802	100 374	4 467	1 119	20 842
Quarterly												
1995 Q1	22 201	1 825	24 026	4 252	1 922	17 852	127	17 979	14 794	-268	121	3 332
Q2	22 417	1 936	24 353	5 420	2 032	16 901	98	16 999	16 117	2 234	125	-1 477
Q3	21 958	1 953	23 911	4 368	2 049	17 494	102	17 596	16 460	1 695	87	-646
Q4	22 906	1 990	24 896	4 913	2 101	17 882	106	17 988	17 073	881	55	-21
1996 Q1	21 503	2 238	23 741	6 109	3 336	14 296	125	14 421	17 497	1 218	63	-4 357
Q2	27 218	2 219	29 437	5 660	2 369	21 408	102	21 510	17 426	322	71	3 691
Q3	25 522	1 994	27 516	5 944	2 124	19 448	96	19 544	18 437	1	57	1 049
Q4	27 069	1 969	29 038	5 367	2 109	21 562	105	21 667	19 418	131	72	2 046
1997 Q1	28 444	1 771	30 215	7 017	1 888	21 310	233	21 543	19 263	740	64	1 476
Q2	26 746	1 757	28 503	7 763	1 901	18 839	164	19 003	20 458	515	94	-2 064
Q3	28 403	1 739	30 142	6 909	1 848	21 385	131	21 516	20 059	1 714	103	-360
Q4	24 999	1 830	26 829	6 869	1 939	18 021	143	18 164	21 309	980	140	-4 265
1998 Q1	26 511	2 217	28 728	6 768	2 328	19 632	343	19 975	21 896	1 376	256	-3 553
Q2	27 934	2 099	30 033	6 829	2 210	20 994	220	21 214	22 381	30	381	-1 578
Q3	30 083	1 891	31 974	6 712	2 002	23 260	248	23 508	23 326	954	379	-1 151
Q4	30 460	1 972	32 432	6 568	2 083	23 781	270	24 051	22 577	2 173	271	-970
1999 Q1	33 226	2 037	35 263	5 543	2 264	27 456	344	27 800	23 303	2 180	301	2 016
Q2	22 850	1 925	24 775	4 841	2 038	17 896	199	18 095	23 035	861	315	-6 116
Q3	25 761	1 608	27 369	5 868	1 722	19 779	216	19 995	24 096	1 275	191	-5 567
Q4	27 675	2 305	29 980	6 356	2 420	21 204	199	21 403	24 029	1 858	229	-4 713
2000 Q1	27 549	2 475	30 024	7 059	2 592	20 373	315	20 688	23 769	1 358	193	-4 632
Q2	30 048	2 429	32 477	6 410	2 526	23 541	20	23 561	23 549	1 123	157	-1 268
Q3	29 989	2 734	32 723	6 491	2 833	23 399	34	23 433	24 256	1 481	158	-2 462
Q4	30 761	2 352	33 113	6 228	2 452	24 433	36	24 469	25 299	1 550	268	-2 648
2001 Q1	28 931	2 253	31 184	6 489	2 354	22 341	200	22 541	24 862	734	238	-3 293
Q2	28 037	2 377	30 414	6 591	2 480	21 343	439	21 782	24 713	1 424	326	-4 681
Q3	29 266	2 262	31 528	6 011	2 365	23 152	485	23 637	24 730	1 606	297	-2 996
Q4	28 130	2 337	30 467	6 970	2 441	21 056	497	21 553	23 730	2 177	277	-4 631
2002 Q1	30 981	2 392	33 373	5 709	2 496	25 168	333	25 501	24 196	828	336	141
Q2	32 905	2 396	35 301	6 282	2 501	26 518	300	26 818	24 183	529	282	1 824
Q3	33 342	2 501	35 843	6 108	2 607	27 128	392	27 520	24 017	406	306	2 791
Q4	33 394	2 600	35 994	6 333	2 707	26 954	68	27 022	24 423	914	288	1 397
2003 Q1	34 537	2 562	37 099	5 964	2 669	28 466	541	29 007	22 504	-419	197	6 725
Q2	32 371	2 616	34 987	5 479	2 724	26 784	653	27 437	24 478	-454	264	3 149
Q3	35 050	2 602	37 652	6 378	2 711	28 563	786	29 349	23 775	2 251	254	3 069
Q4	35 744	2 419	38 163	5 640	2 529	29 994	712	30 706	24 799	2 576	147	3 184
2004 Q1	36 412	2 592	39 004	5 804	2 702	30 498	798	31 296	25 208	505	267	5 316
Q2	38 419	2 811	41 230	7 238	2 922	31 070	676	31 746	24 866	1 161	275	5 444
Q3	35 333	2 758	38 091	6 608	2 870	28 613	454	29 067	25 286	995	292	2 494
Q4	40 763	2 486	43 249	6 454	2 599	34 196	497	34 693	25 014	1 806	285	7 588
2005 Q1	36 984	2 460	39 444	7 260	2 603	29 581	1 545	31 126	25 440	2 089	233	3 364

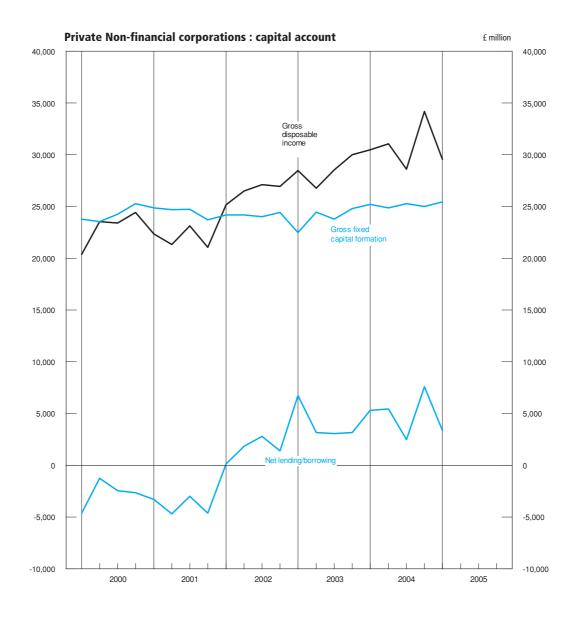
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Social contributions and other current transfers.
 Total resources equals total uses.
 Social benefits and other current transfers.

⁵ Also known as gross saving.6 Acquisitions less disposals of valuables and non-produced non-financial assets.
7 Gross of fixed capital consumption.

Source: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 6014





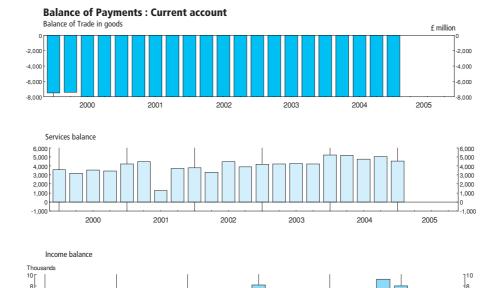
2.13 Balance of payments: current account

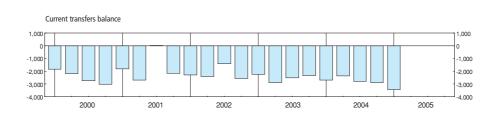
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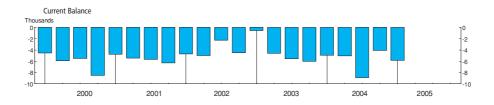
	_		Trade in goods	and services						
	Exports of goods+	Imports of goods+	Balance of trade in goods	Exports of services	Imports of services	Services balance	Income balance	Current transfers balance	Current balance	Current balance as % of GDP ¹
Annual 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004	BOKG 187 936 190 055 186 511 188 615 190 859	BOKH 220 912 230 703 233 598 236 479 249 473	BOKI -32 976 -40 648 -47 087 -47 864 -58 614	IKBB 79 411 83 061 88 434 93 616 99 100	IKBC 65 685 69 358 72 898 76 734 78 911	IKBD 13 726 13 703 15 536 16 882 20 189	HBOJ 4 583 11 371 23 679 24 192 26 163	IKBP -9 752 -6 611 -8 615 -9 961 -10 713	HBOP -24 419 -22 185 -16 487 -16 751 -22 975	AA6H -2.6 -2.2 -1.6 -1.5 -2.0
Quarterly										
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	44 374 46 851 47 445 49 266	51 854 54 256 56 289 58 513	-7 480 -7 405 -8 844 -9 247	18 999 19 342 20 227 20 843	15 435 16 157 16 690 17 403	3 564 3 185 3 537 3 440	1 210 510 2 508 355	-1 825 -2 178 -2 723 -3 026	-4 531 -5 888 -5 522 -8 478	-1.9 -2.5 -2.3 -3.5
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	49 523 48 329 46 561 45 642	58 884 58 774 56 911 56 134	-9 361 -10 445 -10 350 -10 492	21 764 21 922 18 775 20 600	17 534 17 464 17 495 16 865	4 230 4 458 1 280 3 735	2 182 3 202 3 355 2 632	-1 807 -2 682 29 -2 151	-4 756 -5 467 -5 686 -6 276	-1.9 -2.2 -2.3 -2.5
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	46 192 49 273 46 772 44 274	57 437 59 820 58 663 57 678	-11 245 -10 547 -11 891 -13 404	21 716 21 475 22 936 22 307	17 897 18 169 18 449 18 383	3 819 3 306 4 487 3 924	4 993 4 649 6 521 7 516	-2 269 -2 396 -1 404 -2 546	-4 702 -4 988 -2 287 -4 510	-1.8 -1.9 -0.9 -1.7
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	49 034 46 813 46 302 46 466	59 686 57 856 58 602 60 335	-10 652 -11 043 -12 300 -13 869	23 179 23 082 23 635 23 720	18 993 18 854 19 382 19 505	4 186 4 228 4 253 4 215	8 126 5 100 4 994 5 972	-2 237 -2 898 -2 501 -2 325	-577 -4 613 -5 554 -6 007	-0.2 -1.7 -2.0 -2.1
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	46 165 47 180 48 083 49 431	59 695 61 678 63 211 64 889	-13 530 -14 498 -15 128 -15 458	24 462 24 702 24 614 25 322	19 257 19 522 19 860 20 272	5 205 5 180 4 754 5 050	6 105 6 641 4 234 9 183	-2 688 -2 361 -2 786 -2 878	-4 908 -5 038 -8 926 -4 103	-1.7 -1.7 -3.1 -1.4
2005 Q1	49 056	63 946	-14 890	25 176 [†]	20 640 [†]	4 536 [†]	7 961	-3 431	-5 824	-2.0
Monthly										
2002 Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	16 486 14 816 15 470 15 055 14 400 14 819	20 448 18 990 19 225 19 490 19 415 18 773	-3 962 -4 174 -3 755 -4 435 -5 015 -3 954	7 580 [†] 7 677 7 679 7 392 7 372 7 543	6 069 [†] 6 202 6 178 6 209 5 947 6 227	1 511 [†] 1 475 1 501 1 183 1 425 1 316	 	 	 	
2003 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	16 537 16 460 16 037 16 545 15 293 14 975	20 055 19 594 20 037 19 139 19 405 19 312	-3 518 -3 134 -4 000 -2 594 -4 112 -4 337	7 605 7 762 7 812 7 669 7 712 7 701	6 299 6 335 6 359 6 193 6 349 6 312	1 306 1 427 1 453 1 476 1 363 1 389	 	 	 	
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	15 675 15 441 15 186 15 729 15 110 15 627	19 479 19 037 20 086 20 174 19 919 20 242	-3 804 -3 596 -4 900 -4 445 -4 809 -4 615	7 792 7 921 7 922 7 852 7 867 8 001	6 440 6 489 6 453 6 275 6 501 6 729	1 352 1 432 1 469 1 577 1 366 1 272		 	 	
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	15 069 15 234 15 862 15 683 15 426 16 071	20 292 19 458 19 945 20 611 20 337 20 730	-5 223 -4 224 -4 083 -4 928 -4 911 -4 659	8 156 8 178 8 128 8 408 8 167 8 127	6 470 6 435 6 352 6 524 6 458 6 540	1 686 1 743 1 776 1 884 1 709 1 587	 			
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	15 774 15 876 16 433 16 195 16 516 16 720	20 987 21 038 21 186 21 541 21 567 21 781	-5 213 -5 162 -4 753 -5 346 -5 051 -5 061	8 206 8 166 8 242 8 516 8 399 8 407	6 745 6 548 6 567 6 736 6 708 6 828	1 461 1 618 1 675 1 780 1 691 1 579	 	 		
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May	16 267 16 087 16 702 16 944 [†] 16 983	21 440 21 166 21 340 22 076 [†] 21 945	-5 173 -5 079 -4 638 -5 132 [†] -4 962	8 446 8 451 8 279 8 205 8 217	6 891 6 893 6 856 6 772 6 727	1 555 1 558 1 423 1 433 1 490	 	 	 	

¹ Using series YBHA: GDP at current market prices

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 1-3 020 7533 6064; Columns 4-6 & 8 020 7533 6090; Columns 7, 9 & 10 020 7533 6078.





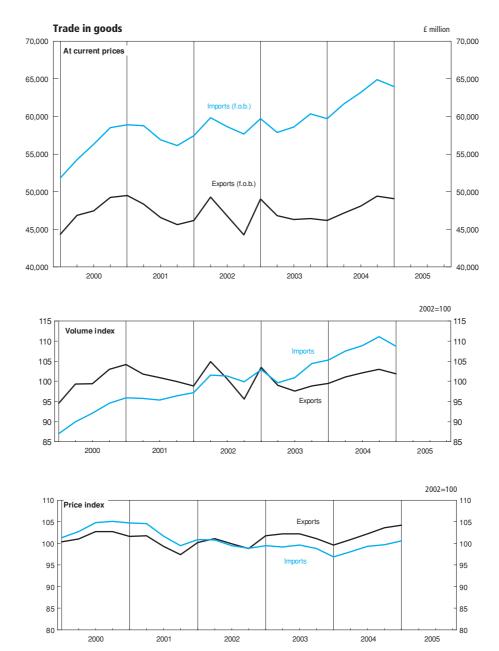


2.14 Trade in goods (on a balance of payments basis)

2002 = 100

	Volume indic	es (SA)		Price indices (NS	SA)
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Terms of trade ¹
Annual	BQKU	BQKV	POKR	BQKS	BQKT
2000	99.1	90.9	BQKR 101.7	103.5	98.3
2001	101.7	95.9	100.0	102.6	97.5
2002	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2003	99.7	102.0	101.8	99.3	102.5
2004	101.4	108.2	101.6	98.5	103.1
Quarterly					
2000 Q1	94.6	87.0	100.4	101.3	99.1
Q2	99.3	90.0	101.0	102.7	98.3
Q3 Q4	99.4 103.0	92.1 94.6	102.7 102.7	104.8 105.1	98.0 97.7
001 Q1 Q2	104.2 101.8	95.9 95.8	101.6 101.8	104.7 104.6	97.0 97.3
Q3	100.9	95.4	99.3	101.7	97.6
Q4	100.9	96.4	97.4	99.5	97.9
002 Q1	98.9	97.2	100.2	100.9	99.3
Q2	104.9	101.6	101.1	100.8	100.3
Q3	100.6	101.3	99.9	99.5	100.4
Q4	95.6	99.9	98.8	98.9	99.9
2003 Q1	103.5	102.9	101.8	99.5	102.3
Q2	99.0	99.7	102.2	99.2	103.0
Q3	97.6	100.9	102.2	99.6	102.6
Q4	98.9	104.4	101.1	98.8	102.3
2004 Q1	99.5	105.3	99.6	96.9	102.8
Q2	101.1	107.5	100.9	98.1	102.9
Q3 Q4	102.1 103.0	108.9 111.1	102.2 103.6	99.3 99.7	102.9 103.9
2005 Q1 Monthly	101.9	108.7	104.2	100.6	103.6
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2002 Jul	106.2	106.1	100.1	99.3	100.8
Aug Sep	95.0 100.6	98.3 99.5	100.4 99.2	99.6 99.5	100.8 99.7
Oct	97.4	101.0	98.9	99.2	99.7
Nov	93.8	101.3	98.3	98.6	99.7
Dec	95.6	97.4	99.3	98.9	100.4
2003 Jan	105.9	103.9	100.4	98.7	101.7
Feb	104.1	101.9	101.5	99.2	102.3
Mar	100.4	102.9	103.4	100.5	102.9
Apr	104.8	98.4	102.0	99.8	102.2
May Jun	96.8 95.4	100.4 100.3	102.9 101.8	99.3 98.5	103.6 103.4
lui.	00.0	100.7	101.0	99.1	100.0
Jul Aug	99.3 97.3	100.7 98.2	101.9 102.8	99.8	102.8 103.0
Sep	96.3	103.8	102.0	99.8	102.2
Oct	100.5	104.2	101.6	99.3	102.3
Nov	96.1	103.5	100.9	98.9	102.0
Dec	100.0	105.5	100.7	98.3	102.4
004 Jan	97.0	107.2	99.7	97.2	102.6
Feb	99.2	103.6 105.1	98.7	95.9 97.6	102.9 102.9
Mar Apr	102.3 100.8	108.1	100.4 100.7	97.6 97.7	102.9
May	98.7	105.8	100.7	98.8	102.9
Jun	103.9	108.6	100.3	97.9	102.5
Jul	101.5	109.4	100.6	98.2	102.4
Aug	101.0	109.0	102.3	99.5	102.8
Sep	103.7	108.3	103.7	100.3	103.4
Oct	100.5	110.0	105.3	101.0	104.3
Nov Dec	102.5 106.1	110.2 113.1	103.9 101.7	99.8 98.2	104.1 103.6
2005 Jan	101.6	109.8	103.6	100.2	103.4
Feb	100.4	107.0	103.7	100.4	103.3
Mar	103.6 106.1 [†]	109.3 112.8 [†]	105.4 104.5 [†]	101.2 100.6	104.2 103.9 [†]
Apr					

¹ Price index for exports expressed as a percentage of price index for imports.



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2.15 Measures of UK competitiveness in trade in manufactures

1995=100

			Summa	ary measures				Export	t unit value	index ^{1,6}	
	Relative export	Relative wholesale prices ⁵		x of relative our costs ⁶	Import price	Relative profit-ability of	United	United			
	prices ⁶	(1990=100)	Actual	Normalised	competi- tiveness ^{2,4}	exports ^{2,4}	Kingdom	States	Japan	France	Germany ³
	CTPC	CTPD	CTPE	CTPF	BBKM	BBKN	СТРІ	СТРЈ	СТРК	CTPL	СТРМ
1997	111.4	114.7	130.4	123.6	105.9	97.4	98.7	101.2	83.8	86.0	80.3
1998	111.4		141.2	131.5	109.2	95.8	97.7	101.2	78.1	86.0	80.5
1999	114.2		141.7	133.9	109.7	94.4	97.4	101.1	82.7	81.4	76.7
2000	118.2		147.8	141.6	106.9	93.7	94.9	102.3	86.5	71.3	66.7
2001	117.0		143.9	141.4	105.6	95.8	90.7	102.3	78.3	69.5	64.7
2002					109.0	96.0					
2000 Q1	119.4		149.4	142.1	108.7	92.0	99.3	102.1	86.2	76.0	71.5
Q2	118.2		148.9	141.2	108.6	93.2	95.8	102.5	86.2	72.1	67.5
Q3	116.7		146.2	140.2	107.0	94.6	93.0	102.6	87.2	70.1	65.4
Q4	117.9		146.8	142.7	105.4	94.9	91.4	102.3	86.5	67.6	62.8
2001 Q1	115.5		142.2	138.8	105.0	95.3	92.6	102.0	84.4	72.2	66.7
Q2	117.4		144.3	141.9	104.8	95.5	90.7	101.9	82.4	68.5	63.0
Q3	117.6		144.2	142.1	107.1	95.6	92.3	101.8	84.2	70.1	64.2
Q4	117.7		144.8	142.7	108.0	94.8	92.9	101.7	84.2	70.8	64.7
2002 Q1					109.2	95.9					
Q2					109.4	96.8					
Q3					108.0	95.7					
Q4					109.3	94.6					-
2003 Q1					109.4	96.7					
Percentage c	hange, quarte	er on correspondi	ng quarter of	previous year							
2001 Q2	-0.7		-3.1	0.5	-3.5	2.5	-5.3	-0.6	-4.4	-5.0	-6.7
Q3	0.8		-1.4	1.4	0.1	1.1	-0.8	-0.8	-3.4	0.0	-1.8
Q4	-0.2		-1.4	0.0	2.5	-0.1	1.6	-0.6	-2.7	4.7	3.0
2002 Q1				**	4.0	0.6					
Q2					4.4	1.4					
Q3					0.8	0.1					
Q4					1.2	-0.2					
2003 Q1					0.2	0.8					

		Wholesale pri	ce index ¹ (1	990=100)			Unit labo	ur costs inde	ex ^{1,6}	
	United Kingdom	United States	Japan	France	Germany ³	United Kingdom	United States	Japan	France	Germany ³
	CTPN	СТРО	CTPP	CTPQ	CTPR	CTPS	СТРТ	CTPU	CTPV	CTPW
1998	116.5	106.8	102.7			118.6	95.6	70.5	82.8	77.1
1999	115.1	108.4	114.1			116.2	95.1	77.9	79.3	73.7
2000						108.0	94.9	77.5	68.2	61.6
2001						103.3	100.8	71.1	66.4	59.5
1999 Q4	116.8	109.7	123.4			116.8	94.6	82.2	77.1	70.5
2000 Q1						115.6	94.0	81.3	73.1	67.2
Q2						109.8	94.1	78.8	69.0	62.9
Q3						104.6	94.9	76.1	66.8	59.5
Q4		**				102.2	96.5	74.0	64.3	57.5
2001 Q1						104.3	99.2	72.5	68.5	61.5
Q2						101.6	100.8	70.7	64.8	58.0
Q3						103.2	101.4	71.3	66.1	59.1
Q4		••				104.2	101.7	70.1	66.4	59.5
Percentage cha	nge, quarter on	corresponding qua	rter of previ	ous year						
1999 Q4	-0.6	2.7	12.2			-3.6	-1.0	5.8	-12.0	-15.3
2000 Q1						-2.3	-1.1	3.4	-12.6	-14.8
Q2						-5.3	-1.3	5.8	-12.3	-17.2
Q3						-8.3	-0.7	-0.8	-14.4	-16.8
Q4						-12.5	2.0	-10.0	-16.6	-18.4
2001 Q1						-9.8	5.5	-10.8	-6.3	-8.5
Q2						-7.5	7.1	-10.3	-6.1	-7.8
Q3						-1.3	6.8	-6.3	-1.0	-0.7
Q4						2.0	5.4	-5.3	3.3	3.5

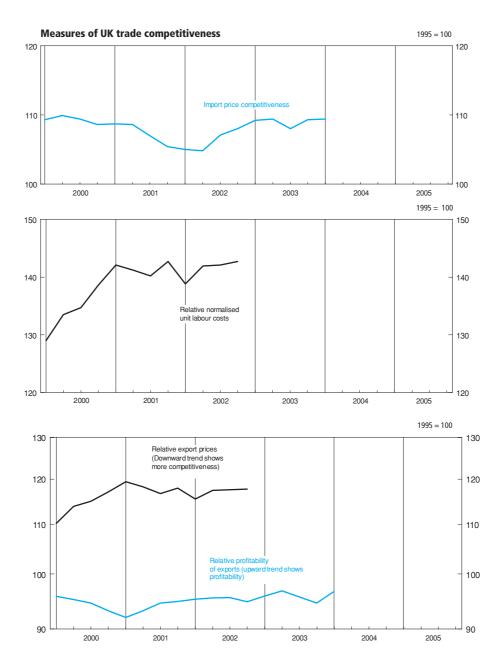
¹ All the indices are based on data expressed in US dollars.

and silver bullion).

3 Includes the former German Democratic Republic as from 1991 Q1.

⁴ These series are on a SIC 92 basis.

² Excludes erratics (ships, North sea installations, aircraft, precious stones 5 This series is calculated using UK producer prices. All other country indices are 5 This series is calculated doming a wholesale price indices.
 6 Quarterly data have been obtained by interpolating the annuals.
 Sources: International Monetary Fund;
 Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 5914



Prices

Not seasonally adjusted except series RNPE

	Producer p (2000	orice index =100)	in.	nsumer prices dex ^{3,4} 96=100)		Retail pric	es index	(January 13,	, 1987=10	00)	Pensioner pr (Januai 1987=	ry 13,	
	Materials and fuel purchased	Output: all	Al	ll items	All ite	ems (RPI)	mortga	s excluding ge interest nts (RPIX)	mortga paymen	s excluding age interest its & indirect is (RPIY) ⁵			Purchasing
	by manu- facturing industry	manufact- ured products: home sales	Index	Percentage change on a year earlier	Index	Percentage change on a year earlier	Index	Percentage change on a year earlier	Index	Percentage change on a year earlier	1-person household	2-person household	power of the pound ⁷ (NSA) (1985=100)
Annual													
2001 2002 2003 2004	98.8 94.3 95.7 99.5	99.7 99.8 101.3	CHVJ 106.9 108.3 109.8 111.2	CJYR 1.2 1.3 1.4 1.3	CHAW 173.3 176.2 181.3 186.7	CZBH 1.8 1.7 2.9 3.0	CHMK 171.3 175.1 180.0 184.0	CDKQ 2.1 2.2 2.8 2.2	CBZW 163.7 167.5 172.0 175.5	CBZX 2.4 2.3 2.7 2.0	CZIF 152.7 155.3 158.1 160.9	CZIU 158.5 160.9 163.8 166.4	FJAK 55 54 52 51
Quarterly													
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	100.8 101.9 98.3 94.1	100.1 99.8	105.7 107.3 107.3 107.4	0.9 1.5 1.5 1.0	171.8 173.9 174.0 173.8	2.6 1.9 1.8 1.0	168.9 171.8 172.1 172.4	1.9 2.3 2.4 2.0	161.1 164.1 164.6 165.0	1.6 2.6 2.8 2.4	150.6 153.3 153.0 153.9	156.5 159.3 158.9 159.3	55 54 54 55
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	94.1 95.1 94.3 93.9	99.8 99.9	107.4 108.3 108.4 109.0	1.5 0.9 1.1 1.6	173.9 176.0 176.6 178.2	1.2 1.2 1.5 2.5	172.9 175.0 175.5 176.9	2.4 1.9 2.0 2.6	165.5 167.1 167.8 169.5	2.7 1.8 1.9 2.7	154.7 155.3 155.0 156.1	160.1 161.0 160.7 161.7	54 54 54 53
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	95.9 94.7 95.6 96.7	101.1 101.3	109.0 109.7 109.9 110.5	1.5 1.3 1.4 1.3	179.2 181.3 181.8 182.9	3.0 3.0 2.9 2.6	177.9 180.1 180.5 181.5	2.9 2.9 2.8 2.6	170.6 171.8 172.3 173.2	3.1 2.8 2.7 2.2	156.7 157.9 158.3 159.4	162.6 163.7 164.0 165.0	53 52 52 52
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	95.5 98.3r 100.8 103.3	† 103.4 104.2	110.4 111.2 111.2 112.0	1.3 1.4 1.2 1.4	183.8 186.3 187.4 189.2	2.6 2.8 3.1 3.4	182.0 184.0 184.3 185.6	2.3 2.2 2.1 2.3	173.8 175.4 175.6 177.1	1.9 2.1 1.9 2.3	159.7 160.9 160.5 162.3	165.4 166.6 166.1 167.6	51 51 50 50
2005 Q1 Q2	105.7r 108.4p		112.3 o113.4	1.7 1.9	189.7 191.9	3.2 3.0	186.0 188.1	2.2 2.2	177.5 179.3	2.1 2.2	163.4 164.8	168.3 169.8	50 49
Monthly	·												
2003 Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	95.6 96.1 95.0 96.5 96.7 96.8	101.4 101.4 101.6 101.7	109.5 109.9 110.2 110.4 110.3 110.7	1.3 1.4 1.4 1.3 1.3	181.3 181.6 182.5 182.6 182.7 183.5	3.1 2.9 2.8 2.6 2.5 2.8	179.9 180.4 181.3 181.3 181.4 181.8	2.9 2.9 2.8 2.7 2.5 2.6	171.6 172.2 173.2 173.1 173.1 173.5	2.8 2.7 2.7 2.4 2.1 2.2		 	52 52 52 52 52 52
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	95.5 94.6 96.3 97.2 99.6 98.1r	102.3 102.8 103.1 103.5	110.1 110.4 110.6 111.0 111.4 111.3	1.4 1.3 1.1 1.2 1.5 1.6	183.1 183.8 184.6 185.7 186.5 186.8	2.6 2.5 2.6 2.5 2.8 3.0	181.4 182.0 182.5 183.6 184.3 184.2	2.4 2.3 2.1 2.0 2.3 2.3	173.2 173.9 174.3 174.9 175.6 175.6	2.0 1.9 1.7 1.8 2.2 2.3	 	 	52 51 51 51 51 51
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	99.4 100.6 102.5 105.3 103.4 101.2	104.2 104.5 105.2 105.3	111.0 111.3 111.4 111.7 111.9 112.5	1.4 1.3 1.1 1.2 1.5	186.8 187.4 188.1 188.6 189.0 189.9	3.0 3.2 3.1 3.3 3.4 3.5	185.1	2.2 2.2 1.9 2.1 2.2 2.5	175.1 175.7 176.1 176.6 176.9 177.9	2.0 2.0 1.7 2.0 2.2 2.5	 	 	51 50 50 50 50 50
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	104.9 105.2 107.1r 107.4 107.7p 110.0p	105.1 105.8 106.5 106.3	111.9 112.2 112.7 113.1 0113.5 0113.5	1.6 1.6 1.9 1.9 1.9 2.0	188.9 189.6 190.5 191.6 192.0 192.2	3.2 3.2 3.2 3.2 2.9 2.9	185.2 185.9 186.8 187.8 188.2 188.3	2.1 2.1 2.4 2.3 2.1 2.2	176.7 177.4 178.3 179.0 179.4 179.5	2.0 2.0 2.3 2.3 2.2 2.2	 	 	50 50 50 49 49

Note: Figures marked with a 'p' are provisional.

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 1-2 01633 812106; Columns 3-13 020 7533 5853.

¹ Minor revisions have been made to seasonally adjusted figures previously published. These reflect the routine updating of the seasonal adjustment factor.

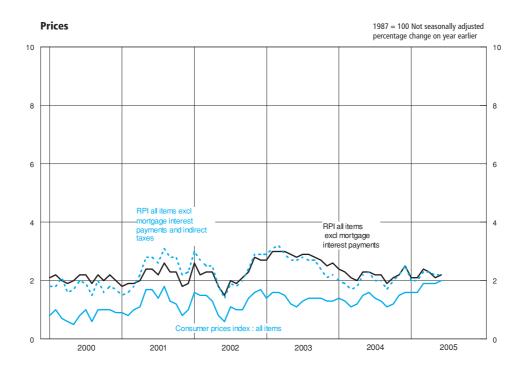
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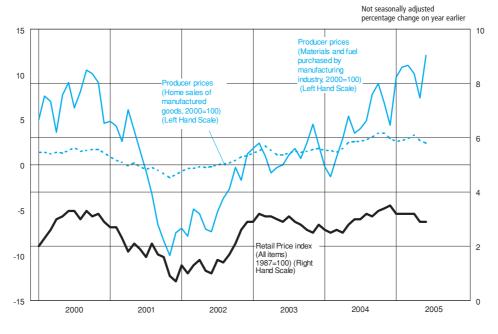
the UK as the harmonised index of consumer prices (HICP).

5 The taxes excluded are council tax, VAT, duties, car purchase tax and vehicle excise duty, insurance tax and airport tax.

² Data now include the Climate Change Levy introduced in April 2001 and the Aggregates Levy introduced in April 2002.

3 Inflation rates prior to 1997 and index levels prior to 1996 are estimated. Further details are given in *Economic Trends* No.541 December 1998.





Labour Market Activity^{1,2} **United Kingdom**

Thousands	. seasonally	ad ad	iusted ³

Total			F	loumont s	ntogorico		Unomplayer	Total economically	Economically	Total aged 16	Employment rate: age 16-59/64 ⁴
TOTAL			·	Unpaid	Government training and		onemployment	active	inactive	and over	16-59/64
MGRN MGRN MGRN MGRT MGRW MGRZ MGSC MGSC MGSS MGS MGSS M		Employees									
2002 Q3	TOTAL	MCDN	МСВО	MODT	MODW	MODZ	MOSO	MOSE	MOCI	MCCI	MOCH
Q2		24 357	3 349	91	98	27 896	1 554	29 450	17 348	46 798	74.4 74.7
Q3											74.7 74.7
2004 Q1	Q3	24 349	3 639	104	108	28 200	1 489	29 688	17 406	47 094	74.6
Q2			3 670		106				17 477		74.5
Q3											74.9 74.6
Percentage change on quarter 2004qt to 2005qt 0.4 -0.4 10.0 0.1 0.3 -1.1 0.2 0.0 0.2 0.0 0.2	Q3	24 637	3 579	88	127	28 431	1 380	29 811	17 581	47 392	74.7 74.9
Percentage change on quarter 2004qt lo 2005qt											74.9
Percentage change on year 2004qt 10 2005q1			3 628	104	120	28 608	1 396	30 005	17 534	47 538	74.9
MALE MGRO MGRR MGRU MGRX MGSA MGSD MGSM MGSA MGSD MGSM MGSA MGSA MGSD MGSM MGSA			-0.4	10.0	0.1	0.3	-1.1	0.2	0.0	0.2	
MGRO MGRO MGRR MGRU MGRX MGSA MGSD MGSG MGSJ MGSM MGS MGSD M			-0.1	-2.5	10.5	0.6	-1.6	0.5	0.8	0.6	
2002 03	MALE	MGRO	MGRR	MGRII	MGRY	MGSA	MGSD	MGSG	MGST	MGSM	MGSV
O2 12 591 2 604 33 54 15 281 883 16 174 6 563 22 788 7 O3 12 506 2 667 39 62 15 273 891 16 164 6617 22 781 7 Q4 12 464 2 689 36 60 15 249 887 16 136 6689 22 825 7 2004 Q1 12 600 2 656 44 66 15 366 833 16 199 6 670 22 869 7 Q2 12 526 2 691 42 72 15 332 848 16 180 6 733 22 913 7 Q4 12 620 2 685 37 75 15 417 830 16 246 6 750 22 997 7 2005 Q1 12 674 2 668 41 70 15 453 823 16 276 6 762 23 038 7 Percentage change on quarter 2004 q1 to 2005q1 0.6 0.4 -7.1 6.7		12 512	2 454	35	61	15 062	943	16 004	6 602	22 606	78.8 79.5
03											79.2
2004 Q1											79.4 79.3
Q2	Q4	12 464	2 689	36	60	15 249	887	16 136	6 689	22 825	79.0
Q3											79.5
2005 Q1											79.1 79.2
Percentage change on quarter 2004q4 to 2005q1	Q4	12 620	2 685	37	75	15 417	830	16 246	6 750	22 997	79.3
Percentage change on year 2004q1 to 2005q1	2005 Q1	12 674	2 668	41	70	15 453	823	16 276	6 762	23 038	79.3
### FEMALE MGRP MGRS MGRV MGRY MGSB MGSE MGSH MGSK MGSN MGS			-0.6	12.6	-7.2	0.2	-0.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	
MGRP MGRS MGRV MGRY MGSB MGSE MGSH MGSK MGSN MGSQ MGSD			0.4	-7.1	6.7	0.6	-1.3	0.5	1.4	0.8	
2002 Q3	FEMALE										
Q4	2002 Q3										MGSW 69.6
Q2 11 852 949 57 38 12 896 585 13 481 10 802 24 283 6 Q3 11 843 972 65 46 12 926 598 13 524 10 789 24 313 6 Q4 11 889 981 60 46 12 977 580 13 556 10 787 24 344 6 2004 Q1 11 973 975 63 48 13 059 585 13 645 10 730 24 375 7 Q2 11 962 973 59 50 13 044 598 13 643 10 763 24 405 6 Q3 12 023 931 53 53 13 059 570 13 630 10 807 24 437 6 Q4 12 040 956 58 50 13 105 581 13 686 10 782 24 469 7 2005 Q1 12 076 960 63 56 13 155 573 13 729 10 772 24 501 7 Percentage change on quarter 2004q4 to 2005q1											69.6
Q3											69.9
Q4 11 889 981 60 46 12 977 580 13 556 10 787 24 344 6 2004 Q1 11 973 975 63 48 13 059 585 13 645 10 730 24 375 7 Q2 11 962 973 59 50 13 044 598 13 643 10 763 24 405 66 Q3 12 023 931 53 53 13 059 570 13 630 10 807 24 437 66 Q4 12 040 956 58 50 13 105 581 13 686 10 782 24 469 7 2005 Q1 12 076 960 63 56 13 155 573 13 729 10 772 24 501 7 Percentage change on quarter 2004q4 to 2005q1 0.3 0.4 8.3 11.0 0.4 -1.4 -0.1 -0.1 0.1											69.7 69.6
Q2 11 962 973 59 50 13 044 598 13 643 10 763 24 405 6 Q3 12 023 931 53 53 13 059 570 13 630 10 807 24 437 6 Q4 12 040 956 58 50 13 105 581 13 686 10 782 24 469 7 2005 Q1 12 076 960 63 56 13 155 573 13 729 10 772 24 501 7 Percentage change on quarter 2004q4 to 2005q1 0.3 0.4 8.3 11.0 0.4 -1.4 -0.1 -0.1 0.1											69.8
Q3 12 023 931 53 53 13 059 570 13 630 10 807 24 437 6 Q4 12 040 956 58 50 13 105 581 13 686 10 782 24 469 7 2005 Q1 12 076 960 63 56 13 155 573 13 729 10 772 24 501 7 Percentage change on quarter 2004q4 to 2005q1 0.3 0.4 8.3 11.0 0.4 -1.4 -0.1 -0.1 0.1											70.1
Q4 12 040 956 58 50 13 105 581 13 686 10 782 24 469 7 2005 Q1 12 076 960 63 56 13 155 573 13 729 10 772 24 501 7 Percentage change on quarter 2004q4 to 2005q1 0.3 0.4 8.3 11.0 0.4 -1.4 -0.1 -0.1 0.1											69.8 69.9
Percentage change on quarter 2004q4 to 2005q1 0.3 0.4 8.3 11.0 0.4 -1.4 -0.1 -0.1 0.1											70.1
2004q4 to 2005q1 0.3 0.4 8.3 11.0 0.4 -1.4 -0.1 -0.1 0.1	2005 Q1	12 076	960	63	56	13 155	573	13 729	10 772	24 501	70.1
Percentage change on year			0.4	8.3	11.0	0.4	-1.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	
2004q1 to 2005q1	Percentage change of 2004q1 to 2005q1		-1.5	0.7	15.7	0.7	-2.1	0.4	0.4	0.5	

¹ The data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the latest revisions to

nid-year population data.

2 Data are from the Labour Force Survey which uses the definitions recommended by the International Labour Organisation (ILO), an agency of the United Nations. For details see the *Guide to Labour Market Statistics*

Seasonally adjusted estimates are revised in April each year.
 The employment rate equals those in employment aged 16-64 (male) and 16-59 (female), as a percentage of all in these age groups. The underlying data are available on request.

Source: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 6094

4.2 Labour Market Activity^{1,2} United Kingdom

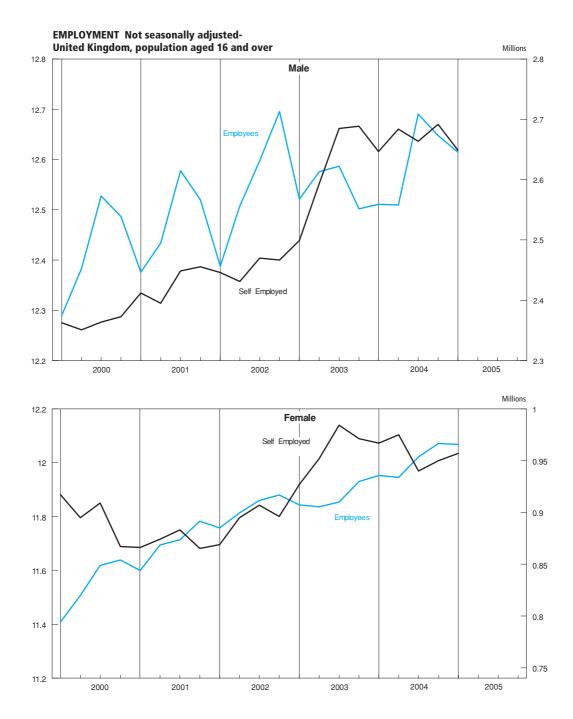
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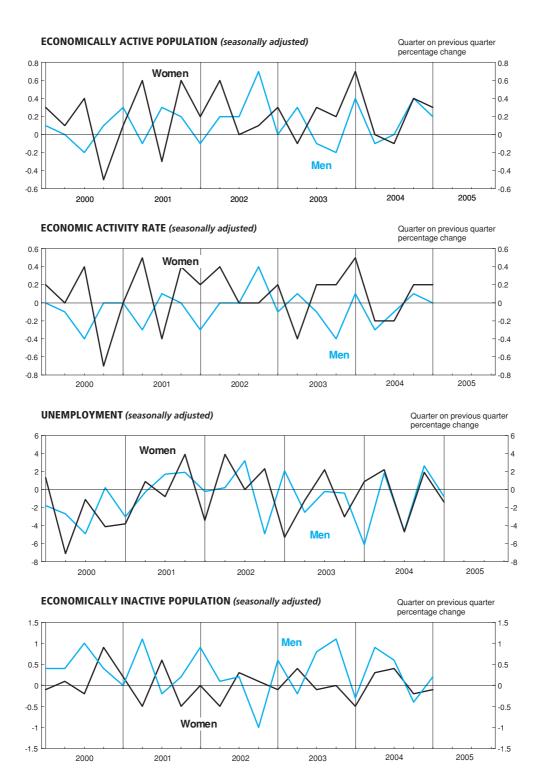
		Emr	Novmont of	atogorios		Unomployment	Total economically	Economically inactive	Total aged 16 and over	Employment rate: age 16-59/64 ³
	Employees	Self -	Unpaid family workers	Government training and employment programmes	Total employment	Unemployment	active	mactive	and over	16-39/64
TOTAL										
2002 Q3 Q4	MGTA 24 458 24 576	MGTD 3 377 3 363	MGTG 97 95	MGTJ 90 99	MGTM 28 022 28 133	MGTP 1 633 1 476	MGTS 29 656 29 609	MGTV 17 142 17 263	MGSL 46 798 46 872	MGUH 74.7 74.9
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	24 363 24 412 24 441 24 433	3 426 3 545 3 670 3 660	83 86 110 100	99 91 101 110	27 971 28 134 28 321 28 303	1 525 1 416 1 572 1 422	29 497 29 550 29 892 29 724	17 450 17 470 17 202 17 445	46 946 47 020 47 094 47 169	74.3 74.6 74.9 74.7
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	24 463 24 454 24 713 24 719	3 615 3 659 3 603 3 642	104 96 91 97	121 121 123 127	28 302 28 330 28 530 28 586	1 429 1 387 1 463 1 378	29 731 29 717 29 993 29 963	17 513 17 601 17 399 17 502	47 244 47 318 47 392 47 465	74.6 74.5 75.0 75.0
2005 Q1	24 683	3 606	105	130	28 524	1 398	29 922	17 616	47 538	74.7
Percentage change 2004q1 to 2005q1	e on year 0.9	-0.2	1.0	7.4	0.8	-2.2	0.6	0.6	0.6	
MALE	MOTE	MGTE	MGTH	MGTK	MGTN	MGTQ	MGTT	MGTW	MGSM	MGUI
2002 Q3 Q4	MGTB 12 598 12 696	2 470 2 467	36 34	57 63	15 161 15 260	971 867	16 132 16 127	6 475 6 523	22 606 22 650	79.4 79.7
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	12 521 12 576 12 587 12 502	2 499 2 594 2 685 2 689	27 31 41 38	59 52 58 62	15 107 15 253 15 371 15 291	938 864 921 855	16 045 16 116 16 292 16 146	6 649 6 621 6 489 6 679	22 694 22 738 22 781 22 825	78.7 79.3 79.8 79.2
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	12 511 12 510 12 691 12 648	2 647 2 684 2 664 2 692	44 40 35 37	70 71 73 77	15 273 15 305 15 462 15 454	851 819 840 808	16 124 16 124 16 302 16 262	6 745 6 789 6 653 6 735	22 869 22 913 22 956 22 997	79.0 79.0 79.7 79.5
2005 Q1	12 615	2 649	43	72	15 379	835	16 213	6 824	23 038	79.0
Percentage change 2004q1 to 2005q1	e on year	0.1	-2.3	2.9	0.7	-1.9	0.6	1.2	0.7	
FEMALE	мото	MOTE	MOTI	MOTI		мотр	MOTIL	MOTY	MOON	
2002 Q3 Q4	MGTC 11 860 11 880	MGTF 907 896	MGTI 60 61	MGTL 33 36	MGTO 12 862 12 873	MGTR 662 609	MGTU 13 524 13 482	MGTX 10 668 10 740	MGSN 24 192 24 222	MGUJ 69.8 69.8
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	11 843 11 836 11 854 11 930	927 952 984 971	55 55 69 62	40 39 43 48	12 865 12 881 12 950 13 011	587 552 650 567	13 452 13 434 13 600 13 578	10 801 10 849 10 713 10 766	24 252 24 283 24 313 24 344	69.6 69.6 69.7 70.0
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	11 952 11 945 12 022 12 071	967 975 940 950	60 56 56 60	51 50 50 51	13 029 13 025 13 068 13 132	578 568 623 570	13 608 13 593 13 691 13 702	10 767 10 812 10 746 10 767	24 375 24 405 24 437 24 469	69.9 69.7 70.0 70.2
2005 Q1	12 068	957	62	58	13 146	563	13 709	10 792	24 501	70.1
Percentage change 2004q1 to 2005q1	e on year	-1.0	3.3	13.7	0.9	-2.6	0.7	0.2	0.5	

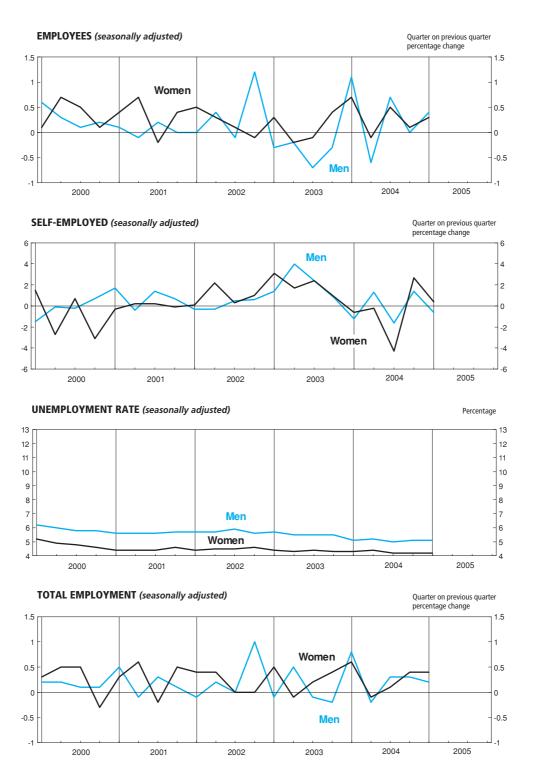
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Labour Market Activity by age^{1,2} **United Kingdom**

Thousands, seasonally adjusted³

	Total	aged 16 and	over				Age g	roups ⁴			
				16	- 24	25	- 49	50 -	59/64	60/65 a	nd over
	Total	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
In employment											
2002 01	MGRZ	MGSA	MGSB	MGUR	MGUS	MGUU	MGUV	MGUX	MGUY	MGVA	MGVB
2003 Q1 Q2	28 110 28 177	15 203 15 281	12 906 12 896	2 101 2 107	1 951 1 929	9 120 9 142	7 839 7 821	3 653 3 701	2 524 2 545	329 331	592 601
Q2 Q3	28 200	15 273	12 926	2 107	1 939	9 142	7 821 7 801	3 680	2 545	334	628
Q3 Q4	28 225	15 249	12 977	2 118	1 980	9 111	7 825	3 688	2 537	331	635
2004 Q1	28 425	15 366	13 059	2 148	2 013	9 160	7 831	3 721	2 562	337	654
Q2	28 376	15 332	13 044	2 157	1 981	9 121	7 843	3 714	2 549	340	672
Q3	28 431	15 372	13 059	2 150	1 983	9 152	7 870	3 733	2 555	337	651
Q4	28 521	15 417	13 105	2 139	1 983	9 176	7 871	3 758	2 589	343	661
2005 Q1	28 608	15 453	13 155	2 148	1 966	9 170	7 907	3 778	2 590	357	691
Unemployed											
	MGSC	MGSD	MGSE	MGVG	MGVH	MGVJ	MGVK	MGVM	MGVN	MGVP	MGVQ
2003 Q1	1 509	916	592	349	232	402	286	158	66		
Q2	1 478	893	585	342	237	395	273	147	67		
Q3 Q4	1 489 1 467	891 887	598 580	341 334	239 221	399 404	282 282	142 140	70 66	11	 10
2004 Q1	1 419	833	585	325	231	366	282	132	64	10	
Q2	1 446	833 848	598	325 329	231	374	282 285	132	58		
Q3	1 380	809	570	338	246	331	258	132	57		
Q3 Q4	1 411	830	581	347	249	341	265	131	59	 11	
2005 Q1	1 396	823	573	337	232	342	273	134	59		
Economically ina	ctive										
Loononnouny me	MGSI	MGSJ	MGSK	MGVV	MGVW	MGVY	MGVZ	MGWB	MGWC	MGWE	MGWF
2003 Q1	17 328	6 574	10 754	875	1 091	819	2 436	1 312	1 203	3 569	6 024
Q2	17 365	6 563	10 802	895	1 124	804	2 465	1 285	1 187	3 579	6 025
Q3	17 406	6 617	10 789	907	1 128	798	2 476	1 322	1 174	3 590	6 011
Q4	17 477	6 689	10 787	931	1 120	828	2 452	1 327	1 203	3 603	6 012
2004 Q1	17 400	6 670	10 730	927	1 093	819	2 448	1 312	1 183	3 611	6 006
Q2	17 496	6 733	10 763	932	1 122	854	2 434	1 325	1 205	3 622	6 002
Q3	17 581	6 774	10 807	945	1 133	868	2 437	1 322	1 202	3 639	6 035
Q4	17 533	6 750	10 782	952	1 132	841	2 435	1 314	1 171	3 643	6 044
2005 Q1	17 534	6 762	10 772	960	1 170	852	2 398	1 305	1 174	3 645	6 030
Economic activit	y rate (per ce	ent) ⁵									
	MGWG	MGWH	MGWI	MGWK	MGWL	MGWN	MGWO	MGWQ	MGWR	MGWT	MGWU
2003 Q1	63.1	71.0	55.7	73.7	66.7	92.1	76.9	74.4	68.3	8.6	9.1
Q2	63.1	71.1	55.5	73.2	65.8	92.2	76.7	75.0	68.8	8.7	9.2
Q3 Q4	63.0 62.9	71.0 70.7	55.6 55.7	73.0 72.5	65.9 66.3	92.3 92.0	76.6 76.8	74.3 74.3	69.1 68.4	8.7 8.7	9.5 9.7
2004 Q1	63.2	70.8	56.0	72.7	67.2	92.1	76.8	74.6	68.9	8.8	9.9
Q2	63.0	70.6	55.9	72.7	66.5	91.8	70.8 77.0	74.0	68.4	8.8	10.2
Q3	62.9	70.5	55.8	72.7	66.3	91.6	77.0 76.9	74.4 74.5	68.5	8.7	9.9
Q4	63.1	70.6	55.9	72.3	66.3	91.9	77.0	74.8	69.3	8.9	10.0
2005 Q1	63.1	70.6	56.0	72.1	65.3	91.8	77.3	75.0	69.3	9.1	10.4
Unemployment r	ate (per cent) 6									
	MGSX	MGSY	MGSZ	MGWZ	MGXA	MGXC	MGXD	MGXF	MGXG	MGXI	MGXJ
2003 Q1	5.1	5.7	4.4	14.2	10.6	4.2	3.5	4.2	2.5	••	
Q2	5.0	5.5	4.3	14.0	11.0	4.1	3.4	3.8	2.6		
Q3	5.0	5.5	4.4	13.9	11.0	4.2	3.5	3.7	2.7	_ ::	. :
Q4	4.9	5.5	4.3	13.6	10.1	4.2	3.5	3.6	2.5	3.2	1.6
2004 Q1	4.8	5.1	4.3	13.2	10.3	3.8	3.5	3.4	2.4	2.8	
Q2	4.8	5.2	4.4	13.2	11.1	3.9	3.5	3.5	2.2	••	
Q3	4.6	5.0	4.2	13.6	11.0	3.5	3.2	3.4	2.2		
Q4	4.7	5.1	4.2	14.0	11.2	3.6	3.3	3.4	2.2	3.0	
2005 Q1	4.7	5.1	4.2	13.6	10.5	3.6	3.3	3.4	2.2		

¹ The data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the latest revisions to

mid-year population data.

2 Data are from the Labour Force Survey which uses the definitions recommended by the International Labour Organisation (ILO), an agency of the United Nations. For details see the Guide to Labour Market Statistics Releases.

³ Seasonally adjusted estimates are revised in April each year.

Data for more detailed age groups are published in *Labour Market Trends*.
 The activity rate is the percentage of people in each age group who are economically active.

⁶ Unemployment rate is the percentage of economically active people who are unemployed on the ILO measure.

4.4 Jobs and claimant count United Kingdom

Thousands

			Jobs ¹				Claimant count ^{5,6}	5,8	
			Employee jo	bs ^{3,4}			Percentage of workforce	Total Not	Vacancies: average for three months
	Workforce jobs ^{2,3,4}	All industries	Manufacturing industry	Production industry	Service industries	Total	jobs and claimant count ⁷	seasonally adjusted	ending in month shown ⁹
Annual								,	
	DYDC	BCAJ	YEJA	YEJF	YEID	BCJD	BCJE	BCJA	AP2Y
2001	29 737	25 905	3 803	4 012	20 441	969.9	3.2	983.0	
2002 2003	29 875 30 213	25 990 26 105	3 599 3 415	3 801 3 602	20 771 21 064	946.6 933.3	3.1 3.0	958.8 945.9	••
2003	30 440	26 264	3 282	3 459	21 309	853.6	2.7	866.1	
Quarterly									
2001 Q1	29 643	25 817	3 858	4 065	20 322	999.7	3.3	1 064.1	
Q2	29 737	25 905	3 803	4 012	20 441	970.7	3.2	978.4	
Q3	29 726	25 914	3 753	3 960	20 502	949.7	3.1	958.5	
Q4	29 840	25 999	3 700	3 906	20 643	959.7	3.1	931.0	••
2002 Q1	29 845	26 024	3 648	3 854	20 719	952.5	3.1	1 014.6	
Q2	29 875	25 990	3 599	3 801	20 771	950.6	3.1	958.1	
Q3 Q4	29 911 29 991	25 989 26 046	3 552 3 512	3 747 3 701	20 840 20 934	946.5 937.0	3.1 3.0	951.8 910.6	
2003 Q1 Q2	30 065 30 213	26 031 26 105	3 469 3 415	3 655 3 602	20 953 21 064	939.0 945.3	3.0 3.0	1 001.1 954.3	
Q2 Q3	30 311	26 103	3 367	3 549	21 088	934.6	3.0	939.0	
Q4	30 396	26 191	3 330	3 508	21 192	914.2	2.9	889.2	
2004 Q1	30 412	26 219	3 301	3 478	21 239	885.8	2.8	947.2	
Q2	30 440	26 264	3 282	3 459	21 309	861.3	2.8	871.8	
Q3	30 405	26 268	3 257	3 434	21 334	836.3	2.7	839.0	
Q4	30 547	26 384	3 241	3 418	21 411	831.1	2.7	806.7	••
2005 Q1	30 625	26 474	3 221	3 398	21 509	820.9	2.6	879.8	
Q2	**					854.4	2.8	865.9	
Monthly									
2003 Jul			3 394	3 578		941.1	3.0	946.3	570.0
Aug			3 378	3 561		933.5	3.0	948.6	570.3
Sep Oct		26 108	3 367 3 357	3 549 3 535	21 088	929.3 923.5	3.0 3.0	922.1 893.2	584.2 593.7
Nov			3 343	3 522		914.1	2.9	884.6	599.9
Dec		26 191	3 330	3 508	21 192	905.1	2.9	889.7	603.3
2004 Jan			3 315	3 493		893.2	2.9	952.4	608.3
Feb			3 310	3 487		884.2	2.8	957.0	611.2
Mar		26 219	3 301	3 478	21 239	879.9	2.8	932.0	616.4
Apr			3 294	3 471		871.5	2.8	905.2	623.3
May Jun		 26 264	3 287 3 282	3 464 3 459	21 309	860.9 851.5	2.8 2.7	869.7 840.5	628.4 632.6
		20 204			21 309				
Jul			3 274	3 451		838.2	2.7	841.5	646.5
Aug		26 268	3 264 3 257	3 442 3 434	21 334	834.8 836.0	2.7 2.7	847.6 827.8	644.7 641.1
Sep Oct	••	26 268	3 257 3 249	3 434 3 425		836.0 836.4	2.7 2.7	827.8 806.8	637.1
Nov		••	3 249	3 418		831.9	2.7	803.0	640.7
Dec		26 384	3 241	3 418	21 406	825.0	2.6	810.2	648.0
2005 Jan			3 238	3 415		813.8	2.6	872.1	655.0
Feb		••	3 229	3 405		817.7	2.6	885.0	647.4
Mar		26 474	3 221	3 398	21 509	831.3	2.7	882.3	636.9
Apr		••	3 215	3 392	••	842.1	2.7	871.8	633.1
May			3 201	3 377		856.1 ^T	2.7	867.6	638.8
Jun		••				864.9	2.8	858.2	639.9

¹ Estimates of employee jobs and workforce jobs for Great Britain now use the Annual Business Inquiry as a benchmark on which quarterly movements are based. For further information see Labour Market Statistics First Release, April 2001 which is held on the National Statistics website www.statistics.gov.uk The Northern Ireland component of workforce jobs and employee jobs has not changed.

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² Workforce jobs comprise employee jobs, self-employed jobs, HM Forces and participants in work-related government supported training, which includes the Project Work Plan.

³ For all dates, individuals with two jobs as employees of different employers are counted twice.

⁴ Annual estimates relate to mid-year. Figures for the four quarters relate to March, June, September and December. For claimant count, unlike employment and workforce figures, the annual figure is an annual average.

⁵ Unadjusted claimant count figures have been affected by changes in the coverage. The seasonally adjusted figures however, as given in this table are estimated on the current basis, allowing for the discontinuities, except for the effect of the Jobseeker's Allowance introduced in October 1996 (see also below).

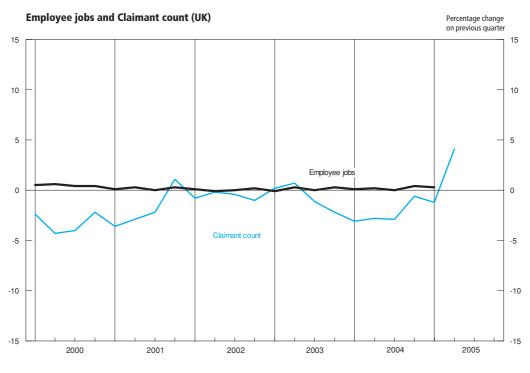
The seasonally adjusted figures now relate only to claimants aged 18 or over in order to maintain the consistent series, available back to 1971 (1974 for the regions), allowing for the effect of the change in benefit regulations for under 18 year olds from September 1988. (See pages 398-400 of November 1995 *Labour Market Trends.*)

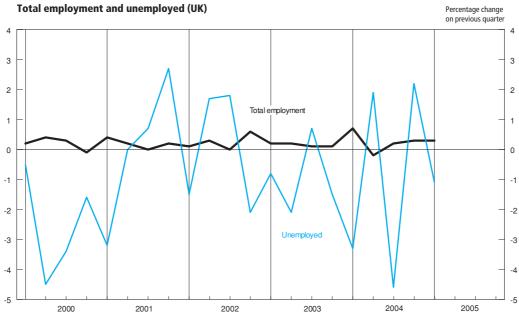
⁶ Claimant count figures do not include students claiming benefit during a vacation who intend to return to full-time education.

⁷ The denominator used to calculate claimant count unemployment rates is comprised of the workforce jobs plus the claimant count.

⁸ Quarterly and annual values are now the mean of the monthly and quarterly data respectively.

⁹ The ONS Vacancy Survey, a monthly business survey of the number of job vacancies held by employers across the UK economy, has been running since April 2001. The results were adopted as National Statistics in June 2003. Sources: Office for National Statistics;





Regional claimant count rates^{1,2} by Government Office Region

Р	'er	ce	nt	aa	es

	North East	North West ³	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East
Quarterly								
	DPDM	IBWC	DPBI	DPBJ	DPBN	DPDP	DPDQ	DPDR
1999 Q1	7.3	4.7	5.3	3.8	4.6	3.0	4.7	2.4
Q2	7.2	4.7	5.1	3.7	4.5	2.9	4.6	2.3
Q3	7.0	4.6	5.0	3.6	4.4	2.8	4.5	2.2
Q4	6.7	4.4	4.8	3.5	4.2	2.7	4.3	2.1
2000 Q1	6.6	4.4	4.6	3.5	4.1	2.6	4.0	2.0
Q2	6.4	4.2	4.4	3.4	4.0	2.4	3.8	1.9
Q3	6.2	4.0	4.2	3.3	4.0	2.3	3.6	1.8
Q4	6.0	3.9	4.1	3.3	3.9	2.2	3.5	1.7
2001 Q1	5.9	3.8	4.1	3.2	3.9	2.1	3.3	1.6
Q2	5.6	3.7	4.0	3.1	3.8	2.0	3.2	1.5
Q3	5.5	3.6	3.9	3.0	3.6	2.0	3.2	1.5
Q4	5.5	3.6	3.8	3.0	3.6	2.0	3.5	1.6
2002 Q1	5.3	3.5	3.7	2.9	3.5	2.0	3.5	1.6
Q2	5.2	3.5	3.6	2.8	3.5	2.1	3.6	1.6
Q3	5.1	3.5	3.6	2.8	3.5	2.1	3.6	1.7
Q4	4.8	3.4	3.6	2.8	3.5	2.1	3.6	1.7
2003 Q1	4.7	3.3	3.4	2.8	3.5	2.1	3.6	1.7
Q2	4.6	3.3	3.4	2.9	3.5	2.1	3.7	1.7
Q3	4.5	3.2	3.3	2.9	3.5	2.1	3.7	1.7
Q4	4.4	3.1	3.2	2.8	3.5	2.1	3.6	1.7
2004 Q1	4.2	3.0	3.0	2.7	3.4	2.0	3.6	1.7
Q2	4.1	2.9	2.9	2.5	3.3	2.0	3.5	1.6
Q3	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.5	3.2	1.9	3.4	1.6
Q4	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.5	3.2	1.9	3.4	1.6
2005 Q1	3.8	2.7	2.8	2.4	3.1	1.9	3.4	1.6
Q2	3.9	2.9	3.0	2.6	3.5	2.1	3.4	1.6

	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Great Britain	Northern Ireland	United Kingdom
Quarterly							
	DPBM	VASQ	DPBP	DPBQ	DPAJ	DPBR	BCJE
1999 Q1	3.2	4.1	5.3	5.2	4.2	6.9	4.3
Q2	3.1	4.0	5.1	5.2	4.1	6.6	4.2
Q3	2.9	3.9	4.9	5.0	4.0	6.1	4.1
Q4	2.8	3.7	4.7	4.8	3.9	5.7	3.9
2000 Q1	2.7	3.6	4.5	4.8	3.7	5.5	3.8
Q2	2.5	3.4	4.4	4.6	3.6	5.3	3.6
Q3	2.4	3.3	4.3	4.4	3.4	5.1	3.5
Q4	2.3	3.2	4.3	4.3	3.4	5.2	3.4
2001 Q1	2.1	3.1	4.2	4.1	3.2	5.0	3.3
Q2	2.1	3.0	4.0	4.0	3.1	4.9	3.2
Q3	2.0	2.9	3.8	3.9	3.1	4.8	3.1
Q4	2.0	3.0	3.8	4.0	3.1	4.7	3.1
2002 Q1	2.0	2.9	3.6	3.9	3.1	4.6	3.1
Q2	2.0	2.9	3.6	3.9	3.0	4.5	3.1
Q3	1.9	2.9	3.6	3.9	3.0	4.3	3.1
Q4	1.9	2.9	3.5	3.8	3.0	4.3	3.0
2003 Q1	1.9	2.9	3.4	3.8	3.0	4.2	3.0
Q2	1.9	2.9	3.4	3.8	3.0	4.2	3.0
Q3	1.9	2.9	3.3	3.8	3.0	4.2	3.0
Q4	1.8	2.8	3.2	3.7	2.9	4.1	2.9
2004 Q1	1.7	2.7	3.1	3.6	2.8	3.9	2.8
Q2	1.6	2.6	3.1	3.5	2.7	3.7	2.8
Q3	1.5	2.6	3.0	3.4	2.7	3.5	2.7
Q4	1.5	2.5	3.0	3.4	2.6	3.5	2.7
2005 Q1	1.5	2.5	2.9	3.3	2.6	3.4	2.6
Q2	1.6	2.7	3.1	3.3	2.7	3.5	2.8

Note: Quarterly claimant count figures relate to the average of the three

the effect of the change in benefit regulations for under 18 year olds from September 1988. (See pages 398-400 of the November 1995 *Labour Market Trends*.) The denominators used to calculate claimant count rates are the sum of the appropriate mid-year estimates of employee jobs, the self-employed, Government-supported trainees, HM Forces and claimants of unemployment-related benefits.

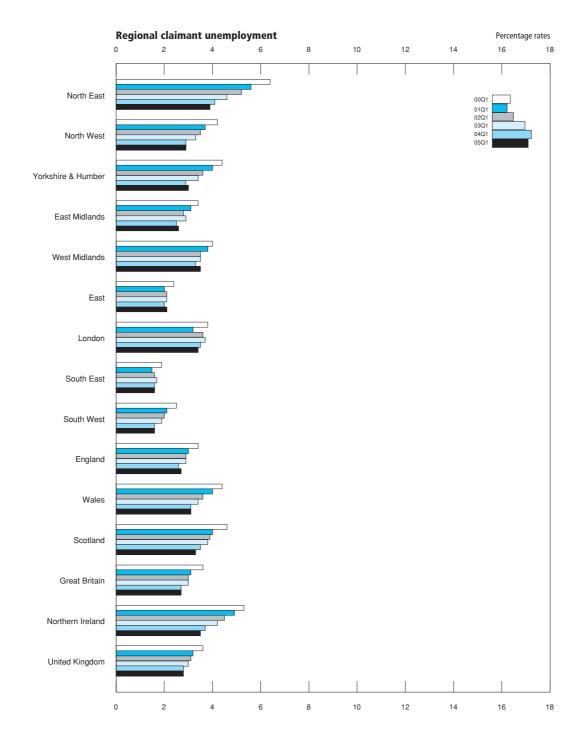
3 Includes Merseyside.

Source: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 6094

months in each quarter.

1 Government Office Regions came into effect in April 1994. It was decided that from May 1997 sub-national data should be published for these areas rather than standard statistical regions (SSRs). Data by standard statistical regions are available on request.

² The seasonally adjusted figures now relate only to claimants aged 18 or over in order to maintain the consistent series, available back to 1971 for Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the United Kingdom (1974 for Wales and Scotland; 1986 for the Government Office Regions), allowing for



4.5A Unemployment rates^{1,2} by Government Office Region

Percentages, seasonally adjusted ⁴

	North East	North West ³	Yorkshire and the Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	East	London	South East
Quarterly								
	YCNC	YCND	YCNE	YCNF	YCNG	YCNH	YCNI	YCNJ
1999 Q1	9.5	6.6	6.8	5.1	7.1	4.2	7.7	3.9
Q2	9.6	6.3	6.3	5.4	6.9	4.3	7.5	4.0
Q3	9.7	6.3	6.0	5.6	6.4	3.9	7.4	3.9
Q4	8.4	6.0	6.1	5.4	6.7	4.2	7.1	4.0
2000 Q1	8.8	6.0	6.4	5.1	6.1	3.9	7.6	3.5
Q2	8.9	5.3	6.1	4.8	6.1	3.7	7.4	3.3
Q3	8.9	5.4	5.9	4.8	5.7	3.7	6.9	3.1
Q4	7.7	5.3	6.1	4.7	6.0	3.6	6.8	3.4
2001 Q1	7.6	5.2	5.4	4.7	5.6	3.5	6.5	3.4
Q2	7.4	5.3	5.5	5.0	5.5	3.6	6.2	3.2
Q3	7.1	5.1	5.3	4.6	5.4	4.0	6.6	3.4
Q4	7.2	5.4	5.1	4.5	5.5	3.9	7.4	3.4
2002 Q1	7.2	5.4	5.0	4.8	5.6	3.6	6.9	3.6
Q2	6.5	5.5	5.3	4.6	5.7	3.7	6.8	3.9
Q3	6.3	5.5	5.6	4.6	5.9	3.8	7.1	4.0
Q4	7.5	5.0	5.1	4.7	5.7	4.1	6.7	4.0
2003 Q1	6.4	5.0	5.2	4.1	6.0	4.6	7.0	3.9
Q2	6.1	4.9	5.1	4.4	5.6	4.0	7.2	4.0
Q3	6.7	4.8	4.9	4.5	5.9	3.9	7.2	3.9
Q4	6.5	4.8	5.1	4.4	5.8	3.5	7.1	3.8
2004 Q1	5.4	4.6	4.7	4.7	5.5	3.4	6.9	3.9
Q2	5.5	4.4	4.6	4.4	5.5	3.8	7.0	3.7
Q3	5.9	4.3	4.5	4.0	5.0	3.5	7.1	3.7
Q4	6.3	4.6	4.7	4.1	4.8	3.8	7.3	3.5
2005 Q1	5.5	4.8	4.2	4.3	4.6	3.9	6.7	3.7

	South West	England	Wales	Scotland	Great Britain	Northern Ireland	United Kingdom
Quarterly		<u> </u>					
	YCNK	YCNL	YCNM	YCNN	YCNO	ZSFB	MGSX
1999 Q1	4.9	6.0	7.2	7.4	6.1	7.2	6.2
Q2	4.5	5.8	7.5	7.1	6.0	7.6	6.0
Q3	4.4	5.7	7.2	6.9	5.9	7.1	5.9
Q4	4.1	5.6	7.2	7.1	5.8	6.7	5.8
2000 Q1	4.3	5.5	6.7	7.5	5.8	6.5	5.8
Q2	4.3	5.3	6.1	7.1	5.5	6.7	5.5
Q3	4.0	5.1	6.7	6.6	5.3	5.6	5.3
Q4	3.9	5.1	5.8	6.2	5.2	6.1	5.2
2001 Q1	3.9	4.9	6.0	5.9	5.0	6.2	5.1
Q2	3.6	4.8	6.1	6.3	5.0	6.1	5.0
Q3	3.6	4.9	5.5	6.6	5.1	6.0	5.1
Q4	3.6	5.0	5.8	6.7	5.2	5.9	5.2
2002 Q1	3.4	4.9	5.7	6.5	5.1	6.1	5.1
Q2	3.7	5.0	5.7	6.5	5.2	5.6	5.2
Q3	4.0	5.2	5.2	6.3	5.3	6.2	5.3
Q4	4.1	5.0	5.1	6.1	5.1	5.5	5.1
2003 Q1	3.8	5.0	4.8	5.8	5.1	5.2	5.1
Q2	3.5	5.0	4.6	5.6	5.0	5.2	5.0
Q3	3.2	4.9	4.7	5.8	5.0	5.7	5.0
Q4	3.1	4.8	4.8	5.8	4.9	6.3	4.9
2004 Q1	2.9	4.7	4.5	5.7	4.7	5.2	4.8
Q2	3.7	4.7	4.4	6.2	4.8	5.3	4.8
Q3	3.2	4.6	4.9	5.2	4.6	5.1	4.6
Q4	3.3	4.7	4.2	5.6	4.7	4.5	4.7
2005 Q1	3.5	4.6	4.5	5.5	4.7	4.7	4.7

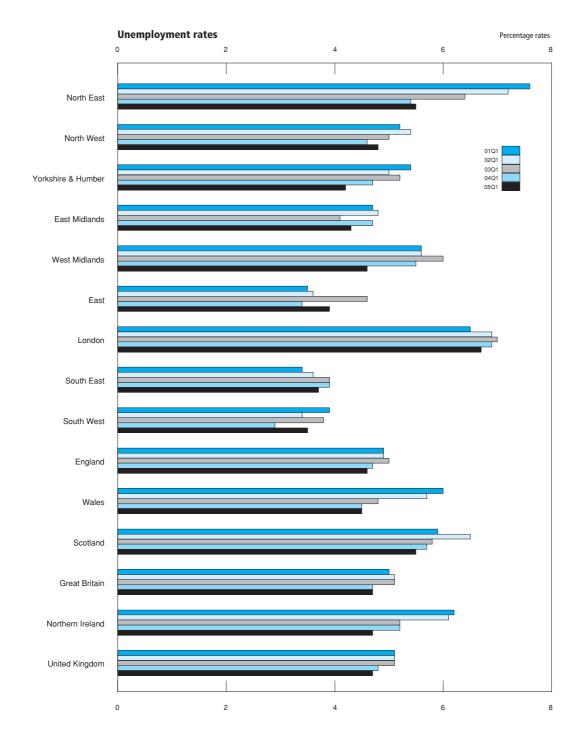
¹ The data in this table have been adjusted to reflect the latest revisions to mid-year population data.

2 Data are from the Labour Force Survey. Unemployment rate is the percentage of economically active people who are unemployed on the ILO measure.

3 Includes Merseyside.

4 Seasonally adjusted estimates are revised in April each year.

Source: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 6094



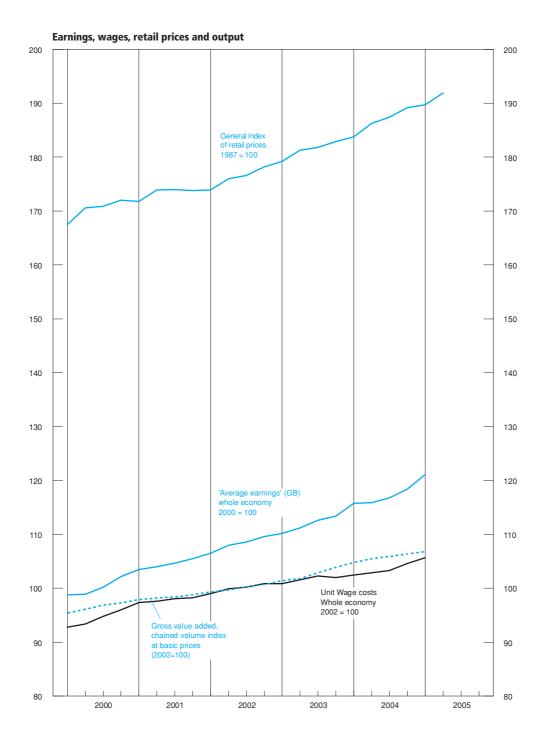
Average earnings (including bonuses) **Great Britain**

2000 = 100

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Provisional.
 The 3 month average is the change in the average seasonally adjusted index values for the last 3 months compared with the same period a year ago.
 ONS regrets that the series have been withdrawn for the period 1963-1982, owing to an irregularity.



Productivity and Unit Wage costs¹ United Kingdom

2002 = 100

	F	Productivity jo	bs	Output per worker ²	Ou	tput per filled	job ³	Outpo	ut per hour wo	orked ⁴	Unit wag	je costs ⁵
	Whole economy	Total production industries	Manufact- uring industries	Whole economy	Whole economy	Total production industries	Manufact- uring industries	Whole economy	Total production industries	Manufact- uring industries	Whole economy	Manufact uring industries
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2002	LNNM 100.0	LNOJ 100.0	LNOK 100.0	A4YM 100.0 [†]	LNNN 100.0	LNNW 100.0	LNNX 100.0	LZVB 100.0	LZVK 100.0	LZVF 100.0	LNNK 100.0	LNNC 100.0
2002	100.0	95.3	95.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	98.
2003	100.9	91.7	91.7	101.3	104.0	109.3	111.2	104.6	108.4	110.2	103.3	96.
Quarterly												
2002 Q1	99.6	101.6	101.6	99.6	99.6	98.4	98.6	99.1	97.5	97.7	99.0	99.
Q2	99.9	100.8	100.8	99.8	99.8	99.5	98.9	100.2	100.4	99.8	99.9	100.
Q3	100.0	99.2	99.2	100.4	100.3	100.9	101.5	100.2	101.5	102.1	100.2	99.
Q4	100.4	98.3	98.3	100.2	100.3	101.3	101.0	100.6	100.6	100.3	100.9	100.
2003 Q1	100.7	97.4	97.3	100.7	100.7	102.1	102.2	101.0	101.6	101.6	100.9	101.
Q2	100.8	95.9	95.7	100.9	101.0	103.3	103.9	101.3	103.3	103.9	101.6	98.
Q3	100.9	94.6	94.5	101.8	101.9	105.2	106.1	102.3	104.6	105.5	102.3	97.
Q4	101.0	93.4	93.3	102.7	102.8	107.2	108.4	103.8	107.5	108.5	102.0	96.
2004 Q1	101.5	92.7	92.6	102.9	103.3	108.1	109.5	103.7	107.5	108.8	102.5	97.
Q2	101.5	92.2	92.2	103.8	103.9	109.5	111.0	104.9	108.8	110.2	102.9	96.
Q3	101.5	91.4	91.4	103.9	104.3	109.3	111.2	105.2	108.1	110.1	103.3	96.
Q4	101.7	90.6	90.5	104.1	104.6	110.4	113.0	104.5	109.2	111.8	104.6	95.
2005 Q1	102.0	90.0	89.9	104.2	104.7	110.2	112.7	104.8	108.3	111.0	105.7	97.
Monthly												
2004 Jan			92.6				109.3					96.
Feb			92.6				108.9					97.
Mar			92.7				110.3					98.
Apr			92.3				110.8					96.
May			92.2				111.0					96.
Jun			92.1				111.1					96.
Jul			91.8				110.5					97
Aug			91.4				111.1					96
Sep Oct			91.0 90.8				112.1 111.5					95 96
Nov			90.6				113.4					96. 95.
Dec			90.3				114.0					95.
2005 Jan			90.1				113.2					96.
Feb			89.9				113.3					97.
Mar			89.6				111.6					100.
Apr			89.4				112.4 [†]					98.
May			89.1			••	112.8					96.
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Quarterly	LNNO	LNNR	LNNS	A4YN ₊	LNNP	LNNT	LNNU	LZVD	LZVM	LZVH	LOJE	LOJ
2002 Q1	0.7	-4.5	-4.6	0.7		0.2	-0.4	1.3	-0.4	-0.8	1.6	3.
Q2	0.6	-4.5	-4.5	0.8	0.9	2.1	1.2	2.6	4.1	3.3	2.4	2.

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Quarterly												
	LNNO	LNNR	LNNS	A4YN.	LNNP	LNNT	LNNU	LZVD	LZVM	LZVH	LOJE	LOJF
2002 Q1	0.7	-4.5	-4.6	0.7 [†]	0.7	0.2	-0.4	1.3	-0.4	-0.8	1.6	3.3
Q2	0.6	-4.5	-4.5	0.8	0.9	2.1	1.2	2.6	4.1	3.3	2.4	2.3
Q3	0.7	-4.6	-4.6	1.2	1.2	2.5	2.5	2.1	4.1	4.3	2.2	1.1
Q4	1.0	-4.3	-4.3	0.9	0.9	3.7	2.9	1.8	3.7	3.0	2.6	1.2
2003 Q1	1.0	-4.2	-4.3	1.0	1.1	3.7	3.6	1.9	4.3	4.0	1.9	1.3
Q2	0.9	-4.9	-5.0	1.1	1.2	3.8	5.1	1.1	2.9	4.0	1.7	-2.3
Q3	0.9	-4.7	-4.8	1.4	1.6	4.3	4.5	2.1	3.0	3.3	2.1	-1.3
Q4	0.6	-5.1	− 5.1	2.5	2.6	5.9	7.2	3.3	6.9	8.2	1.1	-3.6
2004 Q1	0.8	-4.8	-4.7	2.2	2.6	5.9	7.2	2.7	5.8	7.1	1.6	-3.4
Q2	0.7	-3.8	-3.7	2.9	2.9	6.0	6.8	3.5	5.4	6.1	1.2	-2.3
Q3	0.6	-3.4	-3.3	2.1	2.3	3.9	4.8	2.8	3.4	4.3	0.9	-1.4
Q4	0.7	-2.9	-3.0	1.4	1.7	3.0	4.3	0.7	1.6	3.0	2.6	-0.9
2005 Q1	0.6	-3.0	-3.0	1.3	1.4	2.0	3.0	1.0	0.8	2.0	3.2	0.4

¹ The full productivity and unit wage costs data sets with associated articles can be found on the National Statistics web site at

www.statistics.gov.uk/productivity
Contact the Labour Market Statistics helpline (020 7533 6094) for further information.

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² Output per worker is the ratio of Gross value Added (GVA) at basic prices to LFS Total Employment. On 29 July 2004, ONS published details on the National Statistics website of a change in productivity methodology. Output per worker is the new headline measure.

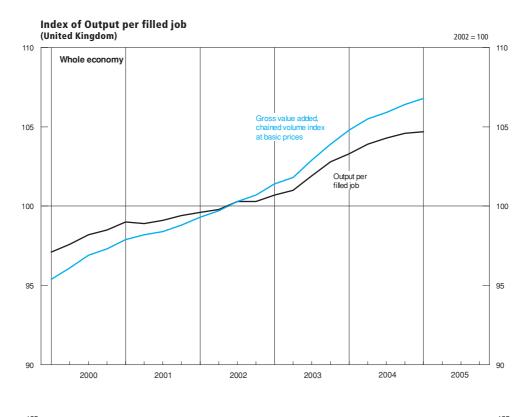
³ Output per filled job is the ratio of Gross value added at basic prices to productivity jobs.

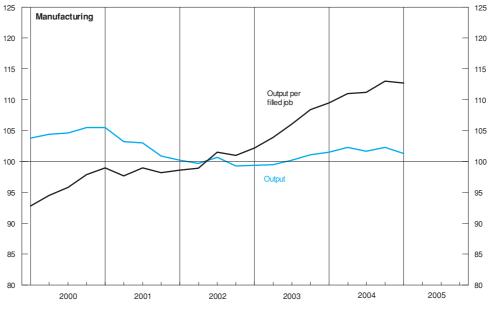
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4 Output per hour worked is the ratio of Gross value added at basic prices to productivity hours.

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5 Unit wage costs are calculated as total wages and salaries per job divided by output per job.





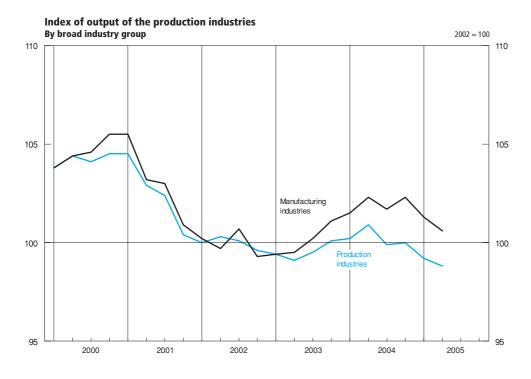
5.1 Output of production industries¹

2002 = 100

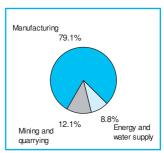
		Broad indu	stry groups			By main i	ndustrial groupings	
	Total production industries+	Mining and quarrying	Electricity, gas and water supply	Total manufacturing industries+	Consumer durables	Consumer non-durables	Capital goods	Intermediate goods and energy
2002 weights	1 000	121	88	790	37	269	213	481
Annual	CIOAN	CKW	010/7	CKW		LIETO	LIEU.	IMOLL
2000	CKYW 104.2	CKYX 106.1	98.2	CKYY 104.6	UFIU 96.3	UFJS 98.8	UFIL 110.2	JMOH 105.5
2001 2002	102.6 100.0	100.3 100.0	100.5 100.0	103.2 100.0	98.7 100.0	100.0 100.0	108.4 100.0	102.0 100.0
2003 2004	99.5 100.3	94.9 87.3	101.2 103.4	100.1 101.9	99.2 104.7	100.0 99.7	101.4 105.1	98.4 98.1
Quarterly								
2000 Q1	103.8	110.2	96.9	103.8	96.6	99.0	108.2	105.3
Q2 Q3	104.4 104.1	108.7 105.0	99.2 98.1	104.4 104.6	96.2 96.0	99.2 98.5	109.6 110.3	105.9 105.5
Q4	104.5	100.8	98.5	105.5	96.3	98.3	112.6	105.3
2001 Q1 Q2	104.5 102.9	99.3 101.9	102.1 101.1	105.5 103.2	99.6 98.2	100.0 99.6	113.8 108.4	103.6 102.8
Q3 Q4	102.4 100.4	100.8 99.2	99.9 98.8	103.0 100.9	98.1 98.9	100.3 100.1	108.0 103.4	101.8 99.7
2002 Q1	100.0	100.1	98.2	100.2	102.0	100.4	99.6	99.9
Q2	100.3	104.3	99.4	99.7	99.1	100.1	99.6	100.8
Q3 Q4	100.1 99.6	95.6 100.0	101.2 101.3	100.7 99.3	98.8 100.1	100.6 98.9	101.4 99.4	99.4 100.0
2003 Q1	99.4	99.6	99.3	99.4	98.3	99.1	99.9	99.4
Q2 Q3	99.1 99.5	95.2 93.5	100.2 101.6	99.5 100.2	99.0 99.2	99.5 100.6	100.7 101.6	98.1 98.1
Q4	100.1	91.1	103.5	101.1	100.3	101.0	103.4	98.1
2004 Q1 Q2	100.2 100.9	89.8 90.7	103.7 102.8	101.5 102.3	102.2 105.1	100.1 100.3	103.2 105.0	98.8 99.2
Q3	99.9	85.6	103.7	101.7	106.6	98.7	105.9	97.4
Q4	100.0	83.3	103.3	102.3	104.7	99.6	106.4	97.1
2005 Q1 Q2	99.2 98.8	82.9 84.1	101.9 103.0	101.3 100.6	104.2 	99.0	104.5 	96.5
Monthly								
2003 Jan Feb	99.1 99.7	99.1 100.6	99.0 101.3	99.1 99.4	100.7 97.8	98.7 99.1	99.3 100.3	99.2 100.0
Mar	99.4	99.2	97.7	99.6	96.3	99.6	100.2	99.1
Apr May	99.2 98.6	95.4 95.4	98.6 99.8	99.8 99.0	98.9 97.6	98.8 100.1	102.2 99.0	98.1 97.7
Jun	99.3	94.9	102.2	99.7	100.5	99.4	100.9	98.6
Jul Aug	99.9 99.0	94.7 93.3	100.7 101.5	100.6 99.7	100.5 97.6	101.1 100.2	101.9 100.5	98.4 97.8
Sep	99.6	92.5	102.5	100.4	99.3	100.4	102.4	98.1
Oct Nov	100.8 99.4	93.1 90.8	105.0 102.0	101.5 100.5	99.9 101.0	101.9 100.1	103.2 103.1	99.2 97.3
Dec	100.1	89.4	103.6	101.4	99.9	100.9	104.0	97.9
2004 Jan Feb	100.1 99.7	90.3 88.7	103.1 104.3	101.3 100.9	101.0 101.7	100.2 99.6	102.9 102.6	98.7 98.3
Mar	100.9	90.4	103.7	102.3	103.9	100.6	104.2 104.4	99.5
Apr May	100.9 100.8	89.9 89.6	103.1 102.9	102.3 102.3	105.0 104.6	101.1 99.6	105.7	98.9 99.0
Jun	101.1	92.5	102.6	102.3	105.7	100.1	105.0	99.7
Jul Aug	100.2 99.7	90.4 84.6	102.6 104.5	101.5 101.5	107.8 106.1	97.7 99.2	106.1 105.0	98.4 97.2
Sep Oct	99.7 99.1	81.8 81.9	103.9 103.1	102.0 101.3	106.1 105.3	99.2 99.0	106.7 105.4	96.5 95.8
Nov	100.4	83.5	103.9	102.6	103.2	100.0	106.8	97.5
Dec	100.7	84.6	103.0	102.9	105.7	99.8	107.0	98.0
2005 Jan Feb	99.6 99.6	82.8 82.5	101.2 101.7	102.1 101.9	103.4 105.3	99.8 99.6	105.4 105.2	96.7 96.6
Mar Apr	98.3 98.8 [†]	83.5 83.7	102.8 104.0	100.0 100.5	103.9 104.8 [†]	97.6 97.5 [†]	102.9 103.6 [†]	96.2 96.9
May	98.9	84.9	102.9	100.6	102.8	98.5	103.7	96.6

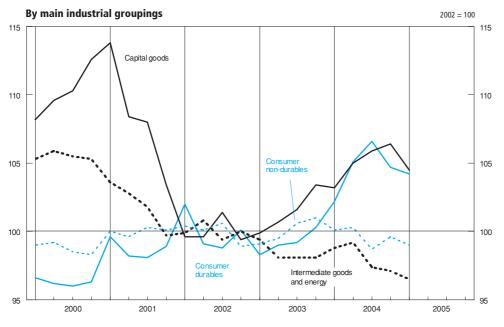
¹ The figures contain, where appropriate, an adjustment for stock changes.

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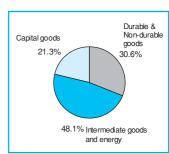


Share of output in 2002





Share of output in 2002



5_2 Engineering and construction : output and orders Seasonally adjusted Index numbers at constant prices¹

				Engine	ering (2000	0 =100)				Construction(GB) ⁵ (2000=100)	
	-	Total			Home			Export			
	Orders ² on Hand	New ³ Orders	Turnover	Orders ² on Hand	New ³ Orders	Turnover	Orders ² on Hand	New ³ Orders	Turnover	Gross output+ ⁴	Orders received
Annual 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004	JIQI 103.4 94.4 92.7 [†] 92.7 88.2	JIQH 100.0 89.5 80.8 [†] 78.9 78.1	JIQJ 100.0 95.3 84.5 [†] 81.6 82.0	JIQC 104.9 104.6 104.8 [†] 108.7 102.7	JIQB 100.0 94.5 88.0 [†] 87.9 83.8	JIQD 100.0 98.4 91.8 [†] 90.2 89.2	JIQF 100.8 77.2 72.1 [†] 65.5 63.8	JIQE 100.0 82.9 71.2 66.8 70.3 [†]	JIQG 100.0 91.2 74.8 70.3 72.6 [†]	SFZX 100.0 102.0 106.3 111.7 115.3	SGAA 100.0 99.5 102.5 97.8 104.8
Quarterly											
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	96.2 100.6 102.7 103.4	95.9 101.6 100.7 101.8	94.1 99.9 101.5 104.5	96.6 100.2 101.8 104.9	96.2 101.0 99.2 103.6	95.1 100.3 101.0 103.6	95.7 101.3 104.4 100.8	95.5 102.4 102.8 99.4	92.8 99.3 102.2 105.7	102.4 99.4 98.3 99.9	97.5 106.9 102.1 93.5
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	104.4 102.0 99.9 94.4	102.1 91.0 86.6 78.5	104.4 97.1 92.0 87.8	106.2 108.2 107.6 104.6	102.2 97.8 91.5 86.4	104.7 99.0 96.0 93.9	101.3 91.3 86.9 77.2	102.0 81.9 79.9 67.8	104.2 94.5 86.6 79.6	101.2 101.3 102.1 103.5	108.4 95.6 103.6 90.5
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	94.9 [†] 93.6 93.8 92.7	81.5 [†] 80.4 81.8 79.5	85.3 [†] 84.7 84.4 83.6	105.0 [†] 105.4 106.4 104.8	87.8 [†] 89.3 89.4 85.5	92.1 [†] 92.5 91.7 91.1	77.9 [†] 73.8 72.6 72.1	73.2 [†] 68.5 71.7 71.3	76.2 [†] 74.5 74.8 73.6	105.3 104.7 106.8 108.5	107.6 90.7 109.2 102.5
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	90.9 91.7 91.5 92.7	76.4 79.7 78.7 80.8	81.1 81.5 81.6 82.2	103.4 104.9 106.0 108.7	85.3 88.9 88.1 89.3	90.7 90.4 90.2 89.3	69.8 69.3 66.8 65.5	64.4 67.4 66.0 69.5	68.5 69.7 70.2 72.6	108.7 110.4 113.5 114.4	104.7 95.8 98.0 92.7
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	92.7 91.7 89.1 88.2	77.7 78.5 77.0 79.0	80.3 82.4 82.7 82.8	108.3 105.7 103.1 102.7	82.6 82.0 83.0 87.5	86.6 88.9 89.8 91.6	66.2 67.9 65.4 63.8	70.9 73.8 69.0 67.6	72.1 74.0 73.3 71.1	117.1 114.2 115.2 114.7	108.5 106.2 99.8 104.8
2005 Q1	88.3	78.3	80.9	100.2	82.8	89.5	68.1	72.3	69.7	115.2	106.5 [†]
Monthly											
2003 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	91.7 [†] 92.1 90.9 93.7 92.8 91.7	74.7 [†] 80.4 74.0 88.5 75.8 74.9	81.0 [†] 81.5 80.9 81.7 81.4 81.5	102.4 [†] 104.6 103.4 107.3 106.3 104.9	78.2 [†] 97.1 80.7 102.6 83.2 80.9	90.9 [†] 92.3 89.0 91.0 90.8 89.5	73.4 [†] 70.9 69.8 70.5 70.0 69.3	70.1 [†] 58.1 65.0 69.7 65.8 66.8	67.9 67.3 [†] 70.2 69.3 68.9 70.9	 	110.6 112.9 90.5 111.7 89.5 86.2
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	91.7 91.7 91.5 92.3 94.0 92.7	79.9 77.7 78.4 82.6 84.6 75.3	82.8 80.3 81.8 82.5 81.3 82.7	104.7 106.1 106.0 107.3 110.0 108.7	87.0 90.5 86.7 92.1 95.5 80.2	91.6 88.5 90.5 90.7 88.8 88.5	69.6 67.2 66.8 66.8 66.9 65.5	70.3 60.5 67.3 69.8 70.0 68.7	71.0 69.4 70.3 71.6 71.4 74.9	 	111.1 80.7 102.3 87.3 102.7 88.2
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	93.9 90.7 92.7 90.9 91.8 91.7	81.7 66.1 85.2 72.4 82.7 80.5	80.1 79.8 81.0 81.2 82.5 83.6	109.0 106.3 108.3 104.6 105.4 105.7	84.7 71.0 92.2 69.7 88.4 88.0	87.2 84.5 88.1 87.3 88.7 90.6	68.3 64.2 66.2 67.7 68.5 67.9	77.5 59.5 75.8 75.9 75.1 70.5	70.9 73.7 71.7 73.1 74.4 74.4	 	90.2 126.1 109.2 103.4 111.3 103.9
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	91.9 90.0 89.1 88.1 87.8 88.2	81.4 72.4 77.3 75.4 79.8 81.8	83.2 82.0 82.9 81.8 83.5 83.0	106.2 103.8 103.1 102.0 101.8 102.7	88.6 76.0 84.5 82.8 89.0 90.7	90.2 88.4 90.9 90.7 93.3 90.9	67.8 66.4 65.4 64.5 64.0 63.8	71.8 67.6 67.6 65.6 67.4 69.9	74.0 73.6 72.3 70.1 70.7 72.5	 	109.5 100.6 89.2 101.3 107.6 105.5
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May	88.8 88.6 88.3 87.9 88.0	80.5 78.3 76.2 77.9 78.8	81.4 81.4 80.0 82.0 81.2	103.9 102.9 100.2 101.6 100.0	92.0 82.8 73.7 90.8 79.3	90.7 90.5 87.3 89.0 88.9	63.0 64.5 68.1 64.7 67.6	65.2 72.3 79.5 60.6 78.2	69.2 69.4 70.5 72.7 71.0	 	102.8 [†] 98.9 117.7 108.6 124.8

¹ The figures shown represent the output of United Kingdom based manufacturers classified to Subsections DK and DL of the Standard Industrial Clas-

³ Net of cancellations.

⁴ This index is based upon a gross output series which includes repair and maintenance estimates, unrecorded output by self-employed workers and small firms and output by the direct labour departments of the public sector.

turers classification (2003).

2 For Orders on Hand, the annual and quarterly index values represent the value at the end of the period in question, rather than the average value for that period, so the annual value shown for 2000 may not equal 100.

Initiative action (2003).

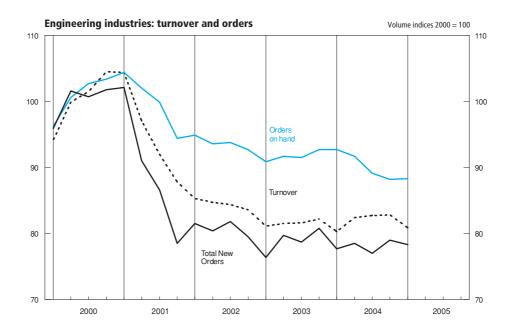
Initiative action (2004) the direct labour departments of the public sector.

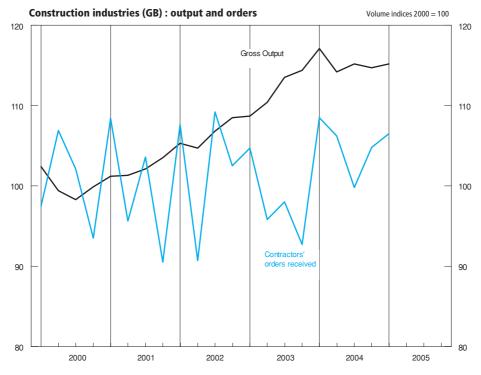
Data are subject to revisions following changes to the deflation methodology.

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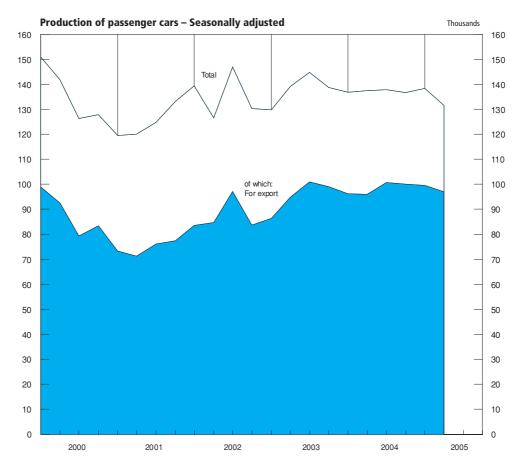
5.3 Motor vehicle and steel production

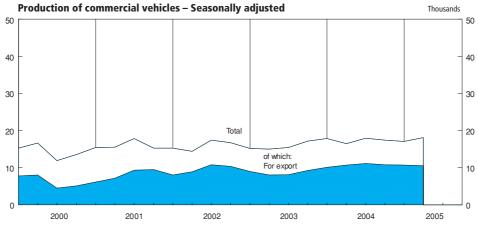
		Passeng	jer cars ¹			Commercia	al vehicles ¹		
	Not seasona	ally adjusted	Seasonall	y adjusted	Not season	ally adjusted	Seasonall	y adjusted	Crude steel
	Total production (thousands)	of which for export (thousands)	production (NSA) ² (thousand tonnes)						
Annual		,	,	,	,	,	,	====	,
2000	FFAA 136.8	FFAB 88.6	FFAO 136.8	FFAP 88.6	FFAC 14.3	FFAD 6.3	FFAQ 14.4	FFAR 6.4	BCBS 15 154.6
2001	124.4	74.5	124.4	74.5	16.1	8.0	16.1	8.0	13 542.7
2002 2003	135.7 138.1	87.3 95.3	135.8 138.1	87.3 95.3	15.9 15.7	9.5 8.6	15.9 15.7	9.5 8.6	11 667.1 13 128.4
2004	137.2	98.3	137.2	98.3	17.4	10.7	17.4	10.7	13 765.8
Quarterly									
2000 Q1	164.8	105.0	150.9	98.9	16.7	8.4	15.3	7.8	4 442.5
Q2 Q3	144.4 111.7	97.6 63.2	141.9 126.4	92.6 79.4	17.3 9.5	8.2 3.5	16.7 11.9	8.0 4.5	4 019.8 3 288.7
Q4	126.3	88.6	127.9	83.4	13.7	5.2	13.6	5.1	3 403.6
2001 Q1	129.0	75.5	119.5	73.3	17.2	6.6	15.5	6.1	3 651.7
Q2 Q3	124.1 111.9	76.5 61.0	120.1 124.8	71.3 76.1	16.6 14.5	7.7 7.4	15.6 17.9	7.2 9.3	3 729.6 3 205.5
Q4	132.4	85.1	133.1	77.4	16.1	10.3	15.3	9.5	2 955.9
2002 Q1	149.9	85.0	139.4	83.5	16.7	8.4	15.3	8.0	3 046.3
Q2 Q3	133.5 130.6	94.0 80.7	126.6 147.0	84.7 97.1	14.8 14.9	9.4 9.3	14.4 17.4	8.9 10.8	3 060.0 2 801.9
Q4	128.7	89.3	130.3	83.7	17.3	10.9	16.7	10.3	2 758.9
2003 Q1	141.4	91.5	129.8	86.4	16.5	9.3	15.2	9.0	3 081.0
Q2	144.4	101.3	139.1	94.8	15.5	8.3	15.0	8.0	3 258.7
Q3 Q4	130.4 136.2	85.8 102.7	144.8 138.8	101.0 99.1	13.4 17.6	6.9 9.7	15.5 17.2	8.1 9.2	3 264.3 3 524.4
2004 Q1	148.5	101.2	136.8	96.3	19.3	10.4	17.9	10.1	3 380.7
Q2	142.7	102.3	137.5	96.0	16.9	11.2	16.5	10.7	3 681.4
Q3 Q4	126.3 131.4	88.3 101.5	137.9 136.7	100.7 100.1	15.6 17.9	9.7 11.4	18.0 17.4	11.1 10.8	3 405.2 3 298.5
2005 Q1 Q2	144.3 138.7	99.1 105.3	138.4 131.6	99.6 97.0	18.4 18.2	11.3 10.7	17.1 18.1	10.7 10.5	3 305.6 3 545.1
Monthly									
2003 Jan	136.1	85.8	123.7	81.0	15.8	8.3	14.9	9.2	1 095.5*
Feb	136.3 151.9	86.2 102.4	130.0 135.6	87.7 90.5	16.3 17.3	8.9 10.7	15.2 15.4	8.6 9.2	983.0 1 002.5
Mar Apr	144.8	100.8	151.9	105.6	14.6	8.0	15.4	7.8	1 218.8*
May Jun	133.1 155.4	97.6 105.6	126.2 139.3	85.6 93.3	14.0 18.0	7.5 9.5	14.3 15.8	7.4 8.7	1 023.3 1 016.6
									1 245.8*
Jul Aug	146.3 91.4	93.1 57.5	144.1 145.0	98.3 100.4	15.2 7.8	7.6 3.8	16.6 14.9	8.4 7.6	977.8
Sep	153.5	106.8	145.3	104.3	17.1	9.2	15.0	8.3	1 040.7
Oct Nov	153.4 142.9	113.8 110.5	138.6 134.8	96.8 99.3	16.8 19.0	9.5 9.8	15.4 17.2	8.6 9.5	1 198.0* 1 117.8
Dec	112.4	83.8	142.9	101.1	17.0	9.9	19.0	9.6	1 208.6*
2004 Jan Feb	141.3 141.1	96.4 93.0	138.7 131.9	97.9 92.2	20.5 17.3	9.6	19.6	11.0 9.9	1 009.3 1 024.9
гер Mar	163.1	114.3	139.7	92.2 98.8	20.2	10.0 11.7	16.4 17.7	9.9 9.3	1 346.5*
Apr	129.6	95.7	136.6	98.1	15.7	10.1	16.0	10.2	1 155.5
May Jun	143.1 155.5	102.3 108.9	139.3 136.7	92.9 97.1	16.9 18.2	11.9 11.6	17.4 16.2	11.5 10.5	1 160.7 1 365.2*
Jul	140.5	100.5	145.2	107.4	14.9	10.1	16.7	11.3	1 042.6
Aug Sep	83.2 155.3	56.7 107.6	132.5 136.0	97.2 97.6	10.2 21.7	5.7 13.3	18.1 19.1	9.8 12.2	1 015.8 1 346.8*
Oct	135.1	107.2	134.1	102.0	18.6	12.2	18.1	11.4	1 091.5
Nov Dec	149.3 109.7	114.4 82.8	140.4 135.7	102.1 96.3	20.1 14.9	12.3 9.7	17.0 17.0	10.3 10.6	1 001.4 1 205.6*
2005 Jan	136.0	89.2	137.0	95.1	17.7	10.7	17.0	11.0	1 028.2
Feb Mar	143.5 153.3	98.3 109.9	138.8 139.4	100.6 103.1	18.0 19.6	10.7 12.6	17.2 17.2	10.5 10.5	1 016.8 1 260.6*
Apr	139.8	105.1	140.1 [†]	100.3 [†]	18.9	11.4	17.2 20.1 [†]	11.9	1 161.8
May	132.0	99.1	129.3	93.6	17.5	10.7	17.9	10.1	1 147.5 [†] 1 235.8* ³
Jun	144.3	111.7	125.5	97.2	18.3	10.0	16.4	9.4	1 235.8"

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 1-8 01633 812810; ISSB Ltd; Enquiries Column 9 020 7343 3900

Annual and quarterly figures are monthly averages.
 The totals are for 'usable steel' in accordance with the system used by the EC and the IISI, **but** in a change from previous publications, figures are actual production totals based on a four or five week period (not seasonally adjusted).

³ Provisional.





5.4 Indicators of fixed investment in dwellings

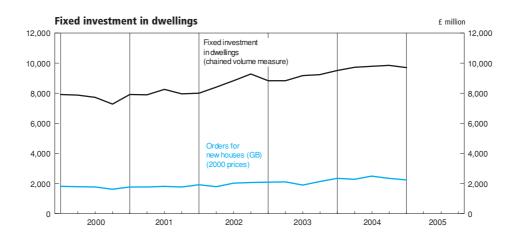
	Fixed investment in dwellings	Orders received	Ног	using starts (NS (GB)	A) ¹	Housin	g completions ((GB)	NSA) ¹	Mix-adjusted price of new
	(£ million, chained volume measures, reference year 2002)	by contractors for new houses (GB) (£ million, 2000 prices)	Private enterprise (thousands)	Registered Social Landlords ² (thousands)	Local Authorities (thousands)	Private enterprise (thousands)	Registered Social Landlords ² (thousands)	Local Authorities (thousands)	dwellings at mortgage completion stage (NSA) ³ (£)
Annual	DFEG	SGAB	FCAB	CTOR	CTOV	FCAD	СТОТ	стох	WMPS
2001 2002 2003 2004	32 006 34 499 36 056 38 866	7 122 7 805 8 219 9 472	162.7 164.6 177.1	16.8 16.2 16.2	0.3 0.2 0.3	139.8 149.1 157.9	20.9 19.3 17.2	0.3 0.2 0.2	134 234 161 533 186 427 205 818
Quarterly									
2001 Q1	7 911	1 767	39.2	5.7	0.2	32.5	5.6	0.1	130 771
Q2 Q3 Q4	7 911 7 891 8 252 7 952	1 767 1 772 1 822 1 761	43.7 43.5 36.3	3.7 4.2 3.2 3.7	0.2 - - 0.1	34.4 35.5 37.4	4.7 4.6 5.9	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1	130 771 130 774 135 507 137 368
2002 Q1	8 006	1 916	41.7	5.4	0.1	33.6	5.1	_	143 996
Q2 Q3 Q4	8 396 8 829 9 268	1 782 2 031 2 075	42.5 44.0 36.3	3.8 3.4 3.6	0.1 _ _	36.8 36.4 42.4	4.6 4.7 4.9	0.2 - -	157 646 164 293 173 254
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	8 824 8 835 9 165 9 232	2 095 2 108 1 894 2 123	44.2 46.8 45.7 40.4	5.0 4.4 3.8 3.0	0.1 0.2 - 0.1	34.6 39.3 37.5 46.5	4.5 4.1 4.5 4.1	0.1 0.1 - 0.1	175 947 187 676 188 711 193 373
2004 Q1	9 512	2 346	46.9	6.5	_	34.0	5.1	-	194 276
Q2 Q3 Q4	9 721 9 784 9 849	2 287 2 488 2 351	51.5 50.7	4.2 3.7	0.1 - 	43.1 43.7	4.1 4.7	0.1 - 	204 679 212 505 211 812
2005 Q1	9 701	2 239 [†]							214 704
Monthly									
2003 Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec		692 597 605 724 743 656			 			 	186 807 191 100 188 227 195 551 189 913 194 655
2004 Jan		796							195 238
Feb Mar Apr May Jun	 	754 796 880 697 710	 	 	 	 	 		192 165 195 426 201 796 203 015 209 225
Jul		758							211 663
Aug Sep Oct Nov	 	889 841 742 805	 	 		 	 		211 314 214 537 214 509 212 354
Dec		803	••		••	**		••	208 574
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr		650 778 [†] 812 954	 	 	 	 	 		212 952 213 093 218 067 213 950
May		805							217 361

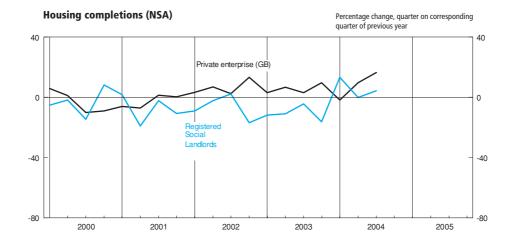
¹ Monthly data collection ceased after March 2003. Great Britain seasonally adjusted data are no longer updated. Seasonally adjusted data for England are available from the website of the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister: www.odpm.gov.uk

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Column 1 01633 812537; Department of Trade and Industry ; Column 2 020 7944 5583; Office of the Deputy Prime Minister; Columns 3-8 0117 372 8055; Column 9 020 7944 3325

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2 Includes registered and non-registered social landlords.

³ Series based on mortgage lending by all financial institutions rather than building societies only, as previously published. This change has been made necessary because of the mergers. takeovers and conversions to plc status affecting the building society sector. The series is based on the Office of the Deputy Prime Ministers' 5% survey of ortgage lenders (at completion stage), but now includes all mortgage lenders rather than building societies only. From February 2002, monthly data has been obtained from the enlarged survey and quarterly data from 2002q2 are based on monthly prices.





5.5 Number of property transactions¹

Thousands

	Number	of property transa	actions		Number of property transactions			
	Not seasonally adjusted England & Wales	Seasonally adjusted England & Wales ^{4,5}	Not seasonally adjusted England, Wales & N. Ireland		Not seasonally adjusted England & Wales	Seasonally adjusted England & Wales ^{4,5}	Not seasonally adjusted England, Wales & N. Ireland	
	FTAP		FTAR					
2000 2001 2002 2003 2004	1 433 1 458 1 586 1 345 1 786		1 471 1 497 1 627 1 397 1 830	Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	132 140 124 140 137 110	120 125 124 125 131 123	135 143 127 143 141 112	
		FTAQ		Dec	110	123	112	
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	367 348 379 339	392 356 346 338	379 356 388 349	2002 Jan Feb Mar Apr May	131 108 104 129 137	120 127 127 135 140	134 110 106 132 140	
2001 Q1 Q2	327 347	346 363	337 360	Jun	129	135	132	
Q3 Q4	396 387	369 379	405 396	Jul Aug Sep	152 166 139	134 149 134	154 171 144	
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3	342 395 457	374 410 417	351 404 468	Oct Nov Dec	147 127 118	131 124 131	151 131 122	
Q4	392	385	404	2003 Jan	131	121	137	
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	340 306 358 340	361 323 327 333	359 320 369 349	Feb Mar Apr May	103 106 101 101	120 119 113 106	109 113 108 105	
2004 Q1	447	470	457	Jun	103	105	107	
Q2 Q3 Q4	452 491 396	459 447 411	463 504 406	Jul Aug Sep	132 112 114	115 106 106	135 116 118	
2005 Q1 Q2	322 363	351 358	329 376	Oct Nov Dec	120 110 111	108 109 116	124 113 113	
2000 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	137 112 118 97 122 129	136 128 128 114 120 122	140 116 122 100 126 130	2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	157 148 142 140 145 167	151 171 147 151 152 156	160 152 145 143 148 172	
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	127 134 117 123 117 98	117 117 112 112 111 114	130 137 121 127 121 101	Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	175 159 158 138 124 134	151 148 148 142 132 136	179 163 162 142 128 136	
2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	123 99 105 101 121 125	113 117 116 115 122 125	127 102 108 105 126 128	2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	108 112 102 112 113 139	107 126 119 117 119 123	109 114 105 115 116 144	

- 1 The figures are based on counts of the relevant administrative forms successfully processed each month. For completions up to and including November 2003 the relevant form was the Particulars Delivered form. Since December 2003 the relevant form is the Land Transaction Return associated with the introduction of Stamp Duty Land Tax (although in December 2003 most forms processed were still Particulars Delivered forms). The count of Land Transaction Return forms is based on the month when the Stamp Duty Land Tax certificate is issued. The figures for the the latest month includes estimates for returns where a certificate has been issued but the form was not captured on the database at the time the count was taken. The figure is therefore subject to revision next month.
- 2 Because of the change in administrative arrangements associated with the introduction of Stamp Duty Land Tax, the figures from December 2003 onwards may not be comparable with the earlier series. In particular Land Transaction Returns in respect of transactions subject to Stamp Duty Land Tax are being submitted more promptly by conveyancers than Particulars Delivered forms in respect of transactions subject to stamp duty. The overhang of particulars delivered forms into the first quarter of 2004 has boosted the total property transactions processed figures in that quarter.
- Other reasons for higher figures since the introduction of Stamp Duty Land Tax include (1) there are some types of transaction which require a Land Transaction Return which did not require a Particulars Delivered form and (2) there are higher numbers of registering commercial transactions.
- 3 Because of the time lags involved, the series above should be lagged by one month to give a broad representation of transactions completed in the month. However this relationship was weaker in the second quarter of 2002, because of the operational pressures in the network of Stamp Offices which delayed the processing of a proportion of property transactions.
- processing of a proportion of property transactions.

 4 The Jubilee celebrations meant that the late May bank holiday was taken in June 2002. Seasonal features in the data arising from the May Bank holiday will therefore not automatically be removed by the process of seasonal adjustment. Caution should therefore be taken when interpreting monthly movements involving May or June 2002 data.
- 5 The sum of seasonally adjusted components does not exactly match the unadjusted (definitive) annual total.
- 6 On 19 July the Inland Revenue ended the arrangement under which a Stamp Duty Land Tax certificate could be issued even though some of the required information had not been provided (the 'light touch' process). This is likely to have reduced the transaction count for July and August by a few thousand.

Source: Board of Inland Revenue; Enquiries 020 7147 2882

Change in inventories Chained volume measures¹

Reference year 2002, £ million

			Manufacturin	g industries		Elect-	Distributive	trades		
	Mining and quarrying	Materials and fuel	Work in progress	Finished goods	Total	ricity, gas and water supply	Wholesale ²	Retail ²	Other industries ³	Change in inventories
Level of inventories										
at										
end-December 2004	1034	16 155	15 931	19 676	51 762	1726	27 873	26 080	45 284	153 759
Quarterly						·		<u> </u>		
•	FAEA	FBNF	FBNG	FBNH	DHBM	FAEB	FAJX	FBYN	DLWX	CAFU
2001 Q1	63	-652	325	-133	-459	-214	566	-130	1 215	1 040
Q2	-45	-200	331	224	354	190	-76	-160	1 112	1 375
Q3	93	352	271	32	656	88	519	229	76	1 662
Q4	-15	93	-413	45	-275	-15	-299	1 076	1 647	2 119
2002 Q1	48	118	36	615	769	-63	13	674	-264	1 177
Q2	-30	-82	-159	-128	-369	140	810	1 112	-1 269	394
Q3	-20	-115	341	-263	-37	-66	431	-74	246	480
Q4	-26	-311	-222	-588	-1 121	-110	-643	-94	2 852	858
2003 Q1	-25	540	137	34	711	67	169	167	-986	103
Q2	53	-385	-130	-215	-730	– 5	-583	455	423	-387
Q3	-86	-213	-246	279	-180	-41	275	274	2 097	2 339
Q4	1	-34	-266	-228	-528	-1	369	247	2 459	2 547
2004 Q1	7	-89	60	-613	-642	156	40	1 047	556	1 164
Q2	<u>-4</u>	-96	-356	361	-91	-165	1 441	-617	546	1 110
Q3	-41	100	-80	219	239	5	-398	794	379	978
Q4	-1	-24	-271	-38	-333	-82	181	405	1 726	1 896
2005 Q1	7	371	174	103	648	-116	-65	-123	1 627	1 978

rate to this degree.

2 Wholesaling and retailing estimates exclude the motor trades.

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 1-8 01633 812351; Columns 9-10 020 7533 6031

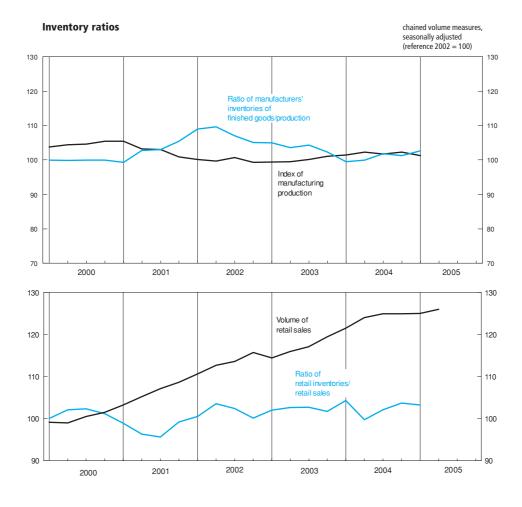
Inventory ratios

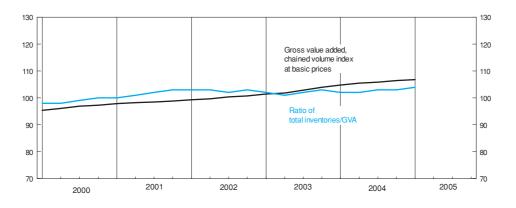
	Manuf	acturers' inventories1 t	uction	D. 11 1.	T 13 .	
	Materials and fuel	Work in progress	Finished goods	Total inventories	Retail inventories ¹ to retail sales ²	Total inventories ^{1,3} to gross value added
Quarterly						
-	FAPG	FAPH	FAPI	FAPF	FAPC	FDCA
2001 Q1	97.6	101.0	99.3	99.3	98.9	100
Q2	98.6	105.3	102.8	102.3	96.3	101
Q3	100.9	107.1	103.0	103.6	95.6	102
Q4	103.6	106.8	105.5	105.3	99.2	103
2002 Q1	104.6	107.4	109.0	107.1	100.5	103
Q2	105.4	107.7	109.7	107.7	103.5	103
Q3	103.3	108.6	107.1	106.4	102.4	102
Q4	102.4	108.3	105.1	105.3	100.1	103
2003 Q1	105.6	109.0	105.0	106.4	102.0	102
Q2	102.8	107.8	103.6	104.7	102.6	101
Q3	100.8	105.5	104.3	103.6	102.7	102
Q4	99.8	103.0	102.3	101.7	101.7	103
2004 Q1	99.6	103.8	99.5	100.9	104.3	102
Q2	97.6	100.1	100.0	99.3	99.7	102
Q3	98.9	100.3	101.8	100.4	102.1	103
Q4	98.5	98.4	101.3	99.5	103.7	103
2005 Q1	101.6	100.3	102.7	101.6	103.2	104

¹ Estimates are given to the nearest £ million but cannot be regarded as accurate to this degree. 3 Quarterly alignment adjustment included in this series. For description see notes to the *Economic Trends Annual Supplement*. For details of adjustments, see notes section in the Sector and Financial Accounts article in UK Economic Accounts.

¹ Chained volume measure: reference year 2002. 2 Classes 64-65 excluding activity headings 6510 and 6520, retail distribution of motor vehicles and parts, and filling stations.

³ Including quarterly alignment adjustment. For details of adjustments see notes section in the Sector and Financial Accounts article in *UK Economic Accounts*. Source: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 1-6 01633 812351





Retail sales, new registrations of cars and credit business (Great Britain)

			Volum	e of retail s	ales per w	eek+(avera	age 2000=100	0) ^{1,2}		New regi-	Total	of w	hich
	Value of retail sales per week: total (average	All	Predomin- antly food		Non- specialist	Textile, clothing and	Household goods		Non-store		consumer credit: Net lending (£ million) 3,4	Credit	
	2000=100) ^{1,2}	retailers	stores	Total	stores	footwear	stores	stores	and repair		3,4	cards ⁶	Other ⁶
Sales in 2000 £ million	207 149	207 149	89 041	106 359	18 781	27 880	27 699	31 999	11 749				
Annual													
2001 2002 2003 2004	EAQV 105.9 111.1 114.0 119.2	EAPS 106.1 112.7 116.6 123.6	EAPT 104.1 108.2 111.8 116.4	EAPV 107.8 116.4 121.5 130.3	EAPU 106.0 110.4 113.7 117.7	EAPX 109.4 121.0 128.9 139.0	EAPY 109.8 117.9 123.0 131.6	EAPW 105.7 114.7 118.4 129.0	EAPZ 106.0 113.2 107.5 117.8	BCGT 2 577.5 2 682.0 2 646.2 2 598.8	RLMH 17 682 [†] 21 152 20 226 22 970	6 280 ^T 7 610 8 925	VZQY 11 496 [†] 13 597 11 493 13 003
Quarterly													
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	102.9 105.4 107.0 108.1	103.2 105.2 107.1 108.6	102.8 103.7 104.6 105.5	103.8 106.5 108.9 111.1	104.4 106.0 106.7 107.5	105.0 107.1 110.7 113.9	105.9 109.6 110.1 112.9	100.5 103.6 107.7 109.1	100.4 105.8 110.1 108.6	704.2 617.7 725.6 530.0	3 287 [†] 4 546 4 161 5 688	1 355 [†] 1 703 1 218 2 004	2 122 [†] 2 808 2 944 3 622
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	109.9 111.1 111.7 113.5	110.6 112.7 113.6 115.7	106.7 108.0 109.0 111.0	114.5 116.7 116.9 119.1	108.8 109.3 111.5 113.1	118.4 120.6 122.2 124.2	115.0 117.1 118.1 120.7	114.2 117.2 114.4 116.6	104.7 111.5 118.3 121.3	758.7 650.0 744.6 528.7	4 992 4 727 6 006 5 427	1 965 1 676 2 026 1 943	3 110 3 019 3 949 3 519
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	112.4 113.3 114.6 116.3	114.4 115.9 117.1 119.4	110.0 111.7 112.6 113.5	118.9 120.4 122.1 125.3	110.8 112.5 114.0 117.1	126.2 127.9 130.4 132.2	118.8 122.6 123.7 126.7	117.4 116.6 118.2 122.8	107.6 106.5 106.2 110.1	737.6 642.7 742.8 523.1	4 999 5 638 4 955 4 634	2 255 2 555 2 097 2 018	2 776 3 090 2 831 2 796
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	117.9 119.9 120.3 119.9	121.5 124.0 124.9 124.9	114.5 116.2 117.3 117.8	128.2 131.0 132.1 131.4	116.1 119.3 119.2 118.3	137.2 140.2 139.8 140.8	128.9 131.1 134.0 132.9	127.0 129.9 131.2 129.6	113.5 118.7 118.5 120.5	762.2 629.8 709.9 496.9	6 021 5 924 5 684 5 341	2 429 2 552 2 432 2 578	3 393 3 431 3 177 3 002
2005 Q1 Q2	119.9 120.6	125.0 126.0	119.0 119.2	130.3 131.4	119.7 116.9	141.8 145.2	131.1 131.1	126.0 128.1	122.9 128.4	697.9 	6 054 4 398	2 313 1 571	3 509 2 939
Monthly													
2003 Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	114.2 114.6 114.9 115.8 115.7	116.6 117.1 117.5 118.7 118.7 120.4	112.2 113.0 112.6 113.2 113.1 114.1	121.4 121.8 122.9 124.4 124.3 126.8	113.8 113.4 114.5 117.4 114.7 118.8	130.0 128.5 132.2 132.3 131.9 132.5	122.8 124.3 124.0 125.4 124.8 129.2	117.0 118.7 118.8 120.7 122.9 124.4	107.2 105.8 105.7 108.5 111.0 110.6	201.1 94.2 447.5 186.6 175.7 160.8	1 900 [†] 1 481 1 729 1 884 1 656 1 074	695 [†] 683 843 813 488 490	1 205 [†] 798 887 1 070 1 167 584
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	117.7 117.7 118.2 119.0 119.7 120.6	120.9 121.1 122.3 122.9 123.9 124.9	113.9 114.4 114.9 115.4 116.2 117.0	127.6 127.7 129.1 130.1 130.8 132.0	115.2 116.5 116.4 118.5 120.0 119.2	136.7 135.9 138.6 139.7 140.9 140.2	127.7 128.9 129.9 130.1 130.1 132.9	126.9 126.1 127.8 128.5 129.0 131.7	112.4 112.0 115.7 114.7 119.2 121.5	199.6 92.3 470.3 191.1 197.6 241.1	1 964 2 014 1 965 1 890 1 816 2 287	727 598 1 236 855 724 926	1 238 1 416 729 1 035 1 093 1 361
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	119.5 120.2 121.0 120.4 120.8 118.9	123.8 124.8 126.0 125.1 125.8 124.0	116.4 117.3 118.0 117.9 118.3 117.2	130.7 131.9 133.3 131.9 132.7 130.0	116.5 121.1 119.8 118.6 120.1 116.6	135.9 141.3 141.7 141.7 142.1 139.1	133.9 132.9 135.1 132.6 134.8 131.6	131.7 129.3 132.4 130.5 129.9 128.5	118.0 116.4 120.5 119.1 120.3 121.8	188.2 87.3 434.4 171.8 175.6 149.5	1 793 2 160 1 877 1 692 1 817 1 758	860 925 805 796 817 666	933 1 235 1 071 896 1 000 1 092
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	120.1 119.9 119.9 119.9 119.9 121.7	125.2 125.2 124.8 125.3 125.3 127.0	119.6 118.8 118.6 118.8 118.8 [†] 119.8	130.0 130.4 130.6 130.4 ¹ 130.5 132.8	119.6 119.2 120.2 116.6 115.7 118.1	139.3 143.0 142.8 144.4 144.4 146.5	133.3 130.6 129.8 129.8 130.7 132.4	125.4 125.7 126.6 127.0 127.1 129.8	123.4 126.8 119.4 128.9 ¹ 127.8 128.5	180.0 77.5 440.4 178.9 189.2	2 335 1 785 1 832 1 131 2 017 1 280	1 079 746 698 367 751 335	1 256 1 038 1 134 764 1 266 945

¹ Great Britain only. The motor trades are excluded. Information for periods earlier than those shown is available from ONS Newport (tel 01633 812509). 2 The retail sales index has been rebased using detailed information from the

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 1-9 01633 812713; Columns 12-14 01633 812782.; Department for Transport; Enquiries Column 10,11 020 7944 3077.

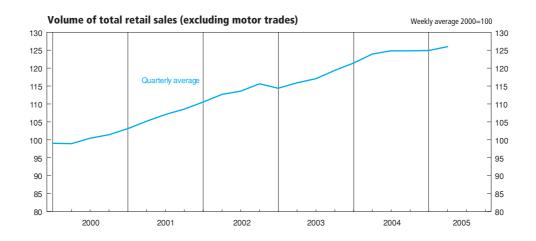
²⁰⁰⁰ Annual Business inquiry. Further information is available via the Na-

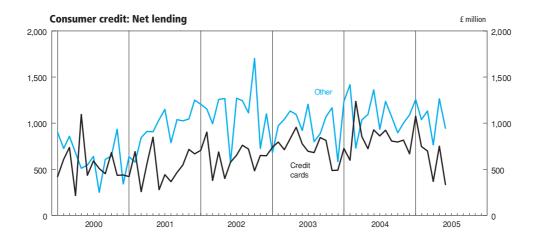
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Net lending equals changes in amounts outstanding adjusted to remove distortions arising from revaluations of debt such as write-offs.

⁴ Covers all institutions providing finance for consumers; including loans by banks on personal accounts and on bank credit cards and charge cards, by insurance companies, retailers and other specialist lenders, but excluding loans for house purchase.

⁵ Seasonally adjusted data are not published in *Economic Trends*. Data up to 1998 are published in the *Economic Trends Annual Supplement*.
6 See Table 6.6, note 2.





Inland energy consumption: primary fuel input basis

Million tonnes of oil equivalent

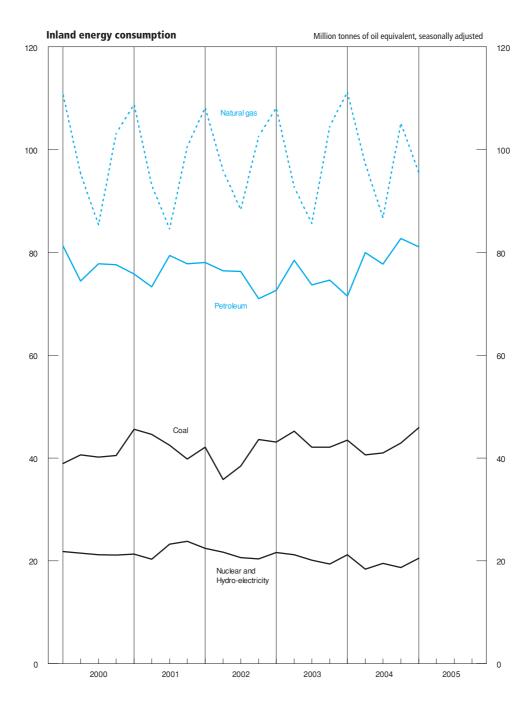
					Primary electricity	5	
					Wind and	<u> </u>	
	Coal ¹	Petroleum ²	Natural gas ³	Nuclear	natural flow Hydro ⁴	Net imports ⁶	Total
Annual	FDAI	FDAJ	FDAK.	FDAL	FDAM	FDAW	FDAH
2000	40.0	77.8	98.6 [†]	19.7	0.5	1.2	237.8 ¹
2001	43.1	76.6	96.7	20.8	0.4	0.9	238.6
2002	40.0	75.4	98.7	20.0	0.5	0.7	235.4
2003	43.1 [†]	74.9	97.7	20.0	0.4	0.2	236.3
2004	42.0	78.0 ^T	100.0	18.3	0.5	0.6	239.5
Quarterly							
2000 Q1	38.9	81.3	110.8	20.1	0.6	1.1	252.8 ¹
Q2	40.6	74.4	95.3	19.8	0.4	1.3	231.8
Q3	40.2	77.8	85.4	19.4	0.5	1.3	224.5
Q4	40.5	77.6	103.1	19.4	0.5	1.2	242.2
2001 Q1	45.6	75.8	108.8 [†]	19.9	0.3	1.1	251.5
Q2	44.6	73.3	93.1	19.0	0.4	0.9	231.3
Q3 Q4	42.5 39.8	79.4 77.8	84.6 100.6	21.8 22.6	0.5 0.5	0.9 0.7	229.7 242.0
Q4	33.0	77.0	100.0	22.0	0.5	0.7	242.0
2002 Q1	42.1	78.0	108.2	21.2	0.6	0.6	250.7
Q2	35.8	76.4	95.9	20.0	0.7	1.0	229.8
Q3 Q4	38.4 43.6	76.3 71.0	88.3 102.6	19.9 18.9	0.5 0.4	0.2 1.1	223.6 237.6
2003 Q1	43.1	72.6	108.1	21.0	0.3	0.3	245.5
Q2 Q3	45.2 [†] 42.1	78.5 73.7	92.7 85.6	20.6 19.7	0.5 0.5	0.1 -0.1	237.6 221.6
Q3 Q4	42.1	74.6	104.5	18.6	0.4	0.4	240.5
2004 Q1	43.5	71.5 [†]	111.2	20.3	0.5	0.4	247.5
Q2	40.6	80.0	97.2	17.3	0.5	0.6	236.1
Q3	41.0	77.7	86.8	18.1	0.7	0.7	225.0
Q4	42.9	82.7	105.1	17.4	0.5	0.8	249.4
2005 Q1	45.9	81.1	95.5	19.3 [†]	0.5	0.7	243.0
Percentage change	, quarter on correspon	nding quarter of previou	us year				
Quarterly							
	FDAP	FDAQ	FDAR	FDAS	FDAT	FDAX	FDAO
2000 Q1	3.9	-0.2	5.4 ^T	-13.8	12.1	-10.6	1.5
Q2 Q3	7.7 5.1	-5.0 3.5	5.4 1.3	-14.6 -9.9	-25.9 -12.3	1.9 12.9	0.2 1.6
Q4	3.1	2.0	-0.2	-7.7	6.2	-5.1	0.4
2001 Q1	17.2	-6.7	-1.8	-1.0	-43.8	_	-0.5
Q2	9.9	-1.5	-2.3	-4.2	-9.6	-30.3	−0.5 −0.3 [†]
Q3	5.7	2.1	-1.0	12.8	4.7	-29.0	2.3
Q4	-1.6	0.3	-2.4	16.6	6.1	-45.0	-0.1
2002 Q1	-7.7	2.9	-0.5	6.8	73.8	-43.7	-0.3
Q2	-19.8	4.3	3.0	5.6	73.5	5.5	-0.6
Q3	-9.6	-4.0	4.4	-8.8	11.4	-75.5	-2.7
Q4	9.4	-8.8	2.1	-16.3	-32.7	67.6	-1.8
2003 Q1	2.5 [†]	-6.9	-0.5	-1.3	-42.4	-56.2	-2.1
Q2	26.2	2.7	-3.3	2.9	-29.6	-89.0	3.4
Q3 Q4	9.7 -3.5	-3.3 5.1	−3.0 1.8	−0.9 −1.6	-13.6 -2.7	- -59.6	-0.9 1.3
2004 Q1	0.9	-1.5^{\dagger}	2.8	-3.1	42.8	61.0	0.8
Q2	-10.2	1.9	4.9	-15.9	-2.8	-	-0.6
Q3 Q4	-2.6 1.9	5.4 11.0	1.3 0.6	−8.4 −6.8 [†]	42.9 49.1	92.5	1.5 3.7
Q+	1.3	11.0	0.0	-0.0	4 3. I	32.0	3.7
2005 Q1	5.3	13.4	-14.1	-4.8	3.3	51.6	-1.8

¹ Includes solid renewable sources (wood, straw, waste), and net foreign trade and stock changes in other solid fuels.
2 Excludes non-energy use.
3 Includes gas used during production, colliery methane, landfill gas and sewage gas. Excludes gas flared or re-injected and non energy-use of gas.

2 Excludes generation by solar PV. Excludes generation from pumped storage stations.

5 Not temperature corrected.
6 Not seasonally adjusted.
7 For details of temperature correction see DTI energy statistics website at www.dti.gov.uk/energy/inform/dukes/dukes2003/01longterm.pdf

Source: Department of Trade and Industry; Enquiries 020 7215 2698



Sterling exchange rates and UK reserves⁴

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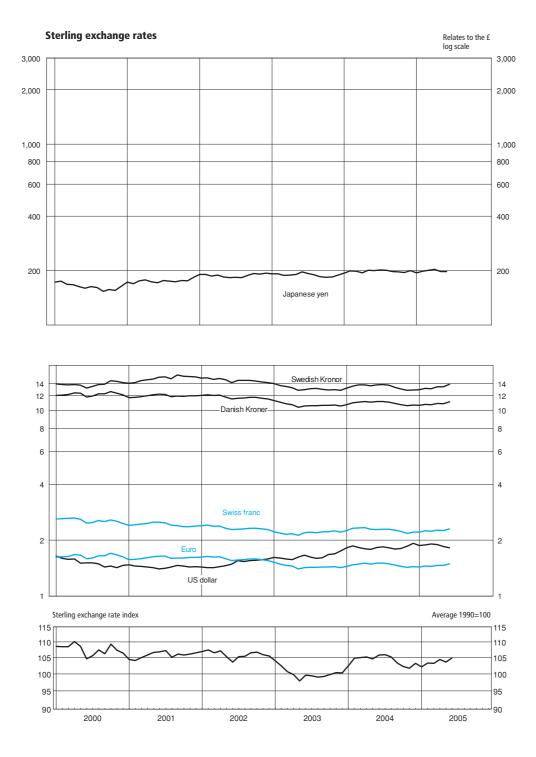
			Sterling	exchange rat	e against majo	or currencies ¹			UK inter-	Storling
	Japanese yen	US dollar	Swiss franc	Euro ²	Danish kroner	Norwegian kroner	Swedish kronor	Hong Kong dollar	national reserves ³ at end of period (£ million)	Sterling exchange rate index 1990 = 100
Annual										
2000 2001 2002 2003 2004	AJFO 163.40 174.90 187.84 189.34 198.10	AUSS 1.5162 1.4400 1.5026 1.6346 1.8319	AJFD 2.558 2.430 2.334 2.197 2.276	THAP 1.6422 1.6087 1.5909 1.4456 1.4739	AJFK 12.240 11.987 11.821 10.742 10.965	AJFJ 13.324 12.944 11.953 11.562 12.342	AJFI 13.870 14.886 14.570 13.189 13.453	AJFU 11.8057 11.2312 11.7265 12.7337 14.2707	THFE 32 227 27 773 26 566 25 724 25 908	AGBG 107.5 105.8 106.0 100.2 104.1
Quarterly										
2000 Q1	171.99	1.6067	2.617	1.6286	12.1257	13.206	13.835	12.4926	22 090	108.4
Q2	163.52	1.5334	2.568	1.6398	12.2271	13.466	13.584	11.9236	26 898	107.7
Q3	159.19	1.4784	2.522	1.6336	12.1862	13.232	13.726	11.5304	28 818	106.4
Q4	158.89	1.4464	2.523	1.6670	12.4250	13.394	14.333	11.2735	32 227	107.6
2001 Q1	172.26	1.4584	2.424	1.5814	11.7988	12.965	14.230	11.3765	30 457	104.5
Q2	174.19	1.4208	2.487	1.6280	12.1436	13.039	14.847	11.0866	30 632	106.4
Q3	174.67	1.4380	2.432	1.6152	12.0231	12.928	15.203	11.2092	29 662	106.1
Q4	178.45	1.4428	2.375	1.6111	11.9887	12.845	15.264	11.2548	27 773	106.1
2002 Q1	188.79	1.4260	2.396	1.6263	12.0863	12.700	14.895	11.1230	28 053	106.9
Q2	185.29	1.4630	2.329	1.5923	11.8379	11.956	14.564	11.4015	28 623	105.3
Q3	184.85	1.5495	2.305	1.5747	11.6973	11.662	14.538	12.0871	27 950	105.7
Q4	192.42	1.5720	2.304	1.5716	11.6733	11.494	14.285	12.2547	26 566	106.0
2003 Q1	190.67	1.6017	2.189	1.4937	11.0987	11.313	13.709	12.5030	26 388	102.3
Q2	191.90	1.6194	2.163	1.4256	10.5851	11.344	13.032	12.6352	25 199	99.1
Q3	189.14	1.6108	2.209	1.4300	10.6264	11.794	13.103	12.5605	26 954	99.2
Q4	185.64	1.7065	2.228	1.4334	10.6591	11.796	12.913	13.2305	25 724	100.2
2004 Q1	197.07	1.8391	2.306	1.4708	10.9571	12.703	13.507	14.2983	25 266	104.1
Q2	198.21	1.8052	2.305	1.4992	11.1529	12.387	13.712	14.0831	25 178	105.2
Q3	199.95	1.8188 [†]	2.285	1.4877	11.0633	12.478	13.627	14.1861	25 382	104.8
Q4	197.18	1.8647	2.206	1.4388	10.6958	11.798	12.966	14.5080	25 908	102.4
2005 Q1	197.53	1.8907	2.234	1.4424	10.7362	11.889	13.092	14.7449	25 801	102.9
Q2	199.56	1.8553	2.276	1.4744	10.9788	11.863	13.572	14.4506		104.3
Monthly										
2003 Jan	192.07	1.6169	2.226	1.5222	11.314	11.172	13.964	12.6105	24 743	104.0
Feb	192.12	1.6046	2.189	1.4893	11.091	11.262	13.652	12.5450	26 176	102.4
Mar	187.82	1.5836	2.152	1.4649	10.880	11.506	13.511	12.3503	26 388	100.6
Apr	188.79	1.5747	2.170	1.4505	10.771	11.347	13.279	12.2817	25 277	99.8
May	190.42	1.6230	2.125	1.4030	10.417	11.047	12.840	12.6579	25 427	97.9
Jun	196.49	1.6606	2.193	1.4234	10.569	11.638	12.978	12.9502	25 199	99.6
Jul	192.72	1.6242	2.209	1.4277	10.613	11.828	13.130	12.6671	25 785	99.4
Aug	189.42	1.5950	2.200	1.4286	10.617	11.800	13.186	12.4395	26 550	99.0
Sep	185.29	1.6131	2.219	1.4338	10.649	11.755	12.994	12.5590	26 954	99.2
Oct	183.76	1.6787	2.220	1.4334	10.651	11.807	12.917	12.9962	26 131	99.8
Nov	184.47	1.6901	2.250	1.4426	10.729	11.832	12.973	13.1201	26 617	100.4
Dec	188.70	1.7507	2.214	1.4246	10.602	11.749	12.850	13.5923	25 724	100.3
2004 Jan	193.82	1.8234	2.262	1.4447	10.760	12.425	13.203	14.1598	25 329	102.4
Feb	199.16	1.8673	2.324	1.4774	11.008	12.983	13.566	14.5165	24 689	104.8
Mar	198.22	1.8267	2.332	1.4890	11.092	12.701	13.752	14.2349	25 266	105.0
Apr	194.04	1.8005	2.337	1.5022	11.182	12.458	13.775	14.0381	25 377	105.2
May	200.69	1.7876	2.293	1.4894	11.082	12.222	13.594	13.9374	24 819	104.6
Jun	199.91	1.8275	2.285	1.5050	11.189	12.482	13.767	14.2499	25 178	105.8
Jul	201.66	1.8429	2.294	1.5023	11.170	12.730	13.818	14.3740	24 579	105.9
Aug	200.87	1.8216	2.297	1.4933	11.105	12.437	13.725	14.2077	25 189	105.2
Sep	197.32	1.7922	2.265	1.4676	10.916	12.268	13.337	13.9777	25 382	103.3
Oct	196.54	1.8065	2.229	1.4455	10.751	11.895	13.093	14.0707	25 557	102.2
Nov	194.76	1.8603	2.177	1.4311	10.635	11.658	12.877	14.4662	25 757	101.7
Dec	200.23	1.9275	2.212	1.4401	10.705	11.841	12.928	14.9890	25 908	103.2
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	193.97 198.10 200.51 203.34 197.70 197.64	1.8764 1.8871 1.9078 1.8960 1.8538 1.8179	2.217 2.248 2.237 2.267 2.258 2.302	1.4331 1.4499 1.4440 1.4652 1.4611 1.4952	10.664 10.791 10.753 10.916 10.877 11.132	11.783 12.064 11.821 11.980 11.805 11.805	12.979 13.172 13.126 13.433 13.428 13.854	14.6292 14.7185 14.8801 14.7865 14.4439 14.1362	25 840 26 080 25 801 26 103 26 595	102.1 103.3 103.2 104.4 103.6 104.9

Source: Bank of England: Enquiries 020 7601 4342

Average of daily Telegraphic Transfer rates in London.
 Prior to January 1999, a synthetic Euro has been calculated by geometrically averaging the bilateral exchange rates of the 11 Euro-area countries using "internal weights" based on each country's share of the extra Euro-area trade.

³ International reserves data are all valued at end-period market prices and exchange rates. They additionally include other reserve assets such as repos (sale and purchase agreements) and derivatives. Full details are shown in Table 1.2I of *Financial Statistics*.

⁴ These figures fall outside the scope of National Statistics.



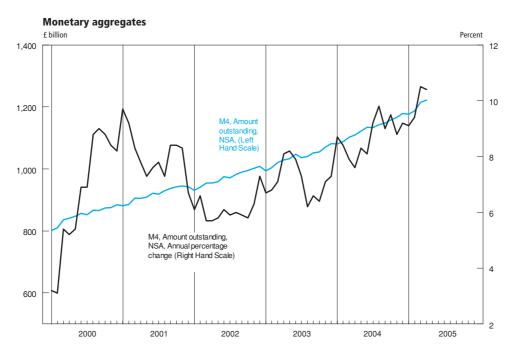
6.2 Monetary aggregates^{1,3}

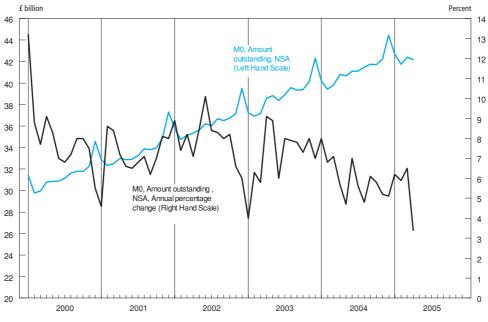
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	An outstand	nount ing ² (NSA)				ount ling (NSA)		
	£ million	Annual percentage change	Amount outstanding (£ million) +	Velocity of circulation: ratio	£ million	Annual percentage change	Amount outstanding (£ million) +	Velocity of circulation: ratio
Annual	AVAD	VQNB	AVAE.	AVAM .	AUYM	VQLC	AUYN.	AUYU
2000 2001 2002 2003 2004	34 566 37 319 39 540 42 317 44 466	5.5 8.0 6.0 7.0 5.1	32 489 [†] 35 097 37 229 39 931 42 248	30.43 [†] 29.75 28.98 28.49 28.28	884 839 942 433 1 008 678 [†] 1 081 121 1 178 963	8.2 6.7 7.3 7.3 9.3 [†]	882 789 [†] 941 598 1 007 745 1 080 065 1 175 187	1.12 1.09 1.08 1.07 1.03
Quarterly						VODV		
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	29 968 30 896 31 821 34 566	7.7 7.0 8.0 5.5	30 559 [†] 31 219 31 880 32 489	30.46 30.61 [†] 30.46 30.21	836 240 856 220 866 379 884 839	VQRY 5.4 6.9 9.0 8.2	830 123 [†] 849 263 865 760 882 789	1.15 1.12 1.11 1.11 [†]
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	32 489 32 896 33 797 37 319	8.4 6.5 6.2 8.0	33 111 33 273 33 945 35 097	29.92 30.01 29.67 29.40	905 800 921 571 937 071 942 433	8.3 7.6 8.4 6.7	900 552 913 936 936 036 941 598	1.10 1.10 1.08 1.08
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	35 157 36 225 36 511 39 540	8.2 10.1 8.0 6.0	35 543 36 618 36 671 37 229	29.06 29.12 28.94 28.79	955 196 975 699 989 473 [†] 1 008 678	5.7 6.1 5.9 7.3	950 777 967 000 989 442 1 007 745	1.09 1.09 1.08 1.07
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	37 184 38 403 39 348 42 317	5.8 6.0 7.8 7.0	37 891 38 869 39 505 39 931	28.84 28.36 28.40 28.38	1 020 595 1 047 982 1 051 120 1 081 121	7.1 7.9 6.6 7.3	1 018 313 1 039 410 1 050 766 1 080 065	1.07 1.06 1.07 1.06
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	39 812 41 109 41 749 44 466	7.1 7.0 6.1 5.1	40 583 41 366 41 787 42 248	28.38 28.28 28.20 28.28	1 101 904 1 133 494 1 148 486 1 178 963	7.9 8.1 9.0 9.2	1 100 182 1 123 704 1 147 617 1 175 187	1.05 1.04 1.03 1.02
2005 Q1	42 395	6.5	42 665	28.09	1 217 289	10.7 [†]	1 215 161	1.00
Monthly						VOLC		
2003 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	37 230 36 946 37 184 38 590 38 827 38 403	4.0 6.3 5.8 9.1 8.9 6.0	37 348 [†] 37 694 37 891 38 594 38 974 38 869	 	994 390 [†] 1 004 814 1 020 595 1 029 193 1 033 199 1 047 982	VQLC 6.7 6.8 7.1 8.1 8.2 7.9	1 003 357 [†] 1 012 075 1 018 313 1 029 005 1 030 284 1 039 410	
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	38 938 39 579 39 348 39 416 40 149 42 317	8.0 7.9 7.8 7.3 8.0 7.0	39 225 39 457 39 505 39 663 39 983 39 931	 	1 036 608 1 040 203 1 051 120 1 054 713 1 070 453 1 081 121	7.3 6.2 6.6 6.4 7.1 7.3	1 038 722 1 038 583 1 050 766 1 053 576 1 067 892 1 080 065	
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	40 222 39 448 39 812 40 799 40 668 41 109	8.0 6.8 7.1 5.7 4.7 7.0	40 193 40 255 40 583 40 785 41 040 41 366	 	1 080 399 1 087 972 1 101 904 1 109 094 1 121 338 1 133 494	8.7 8.4 7.9 7.6 8.3 8.1	1 090 167 1 096 890 1 100 182 1 107 212 1 117 791 1 123 704	
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	41 115 41 489 41 749 41 722 42 222 44 466	5.6 4.8 6.1 5.8 5.2 5.1	41 418 41 481 41 787 41 960 42 039 42 248	 	1 133 409 1 143 103 1 148 486 1 158 172 1 166 446 1 178 963	9.2 9.8 9.0 9.6 [†] 8.9 9.3	1 134 173 1 142 890 1 147 617 1 158 265 1 165 090 1 175 187	
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May	42 701 41 757 42 395 42 188 42 426	6.2 5.9 6.5 3.4 4.3	42 462 42 623 42 665 42 722 42 802	 	1 177 447 1 189 176 1 217 289 1 225 239 1 249 020	9.2 9.5 10.7 10.7 11.5	1 189 804 1 200 758 1 215 161 1 224 410 1 246 049	

¹ A fuller range of monetary aggregates is published monthly in the ONS publication *Financial Statistics*.

2 The monthly figures for M0 give the average of the amounts outstanding each Wednesday during the calendar month.
3 These figures fall outside the scope of National Statistics.

Source: Bank of England; Enquiries 020 7601 5467





6.3 Counterparts to changes in money stock M4^{1,4}

£ million, not seasonally adjusted

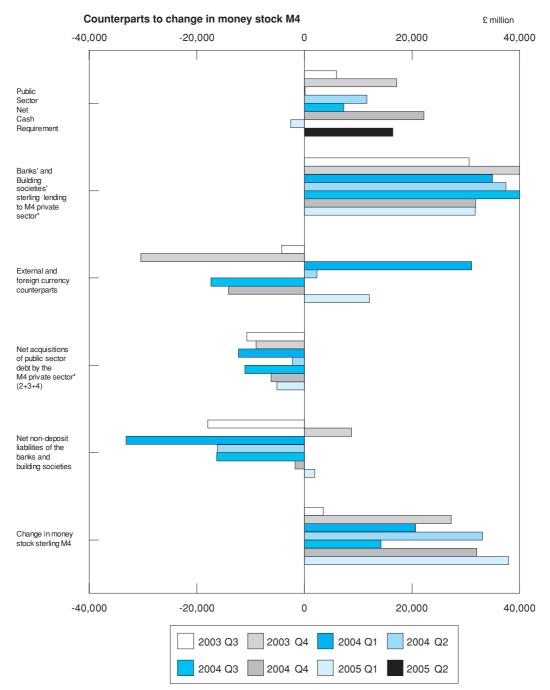
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	_	Purchases b private se			External foreign cur financing public se	rency g of	Banks' and Building Soc- ieties'	External and foreign currency trans- actions	Net non- deposit sterling liabili- ties of			
	D. I.E.	Central governme	nt debt		Purchase		sterling	of UK	UK		Francis	
	Public Sector Net Cash Require- ment+ ³	British govern- ment stocks	Other	Other public sector debt	of British govern- ment stocks by overseas sector	Other	lending to the M4 private sector	banks and building soc- ieties	banks and building soc- ieties	Domestic counter- parts	External and foreign currency counter- parts	M4
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Annual	RURQ	AVBY	AVBU	AVBV	AVBZ	AQGA	AVBS	AVBW	AVBX	AVBN	VQLP	AUZI
2001 2002 2003 2004	-2 891 18 227 38 965 41 256	10 009 -8 383 -22 408 -25 020	-2 453 -637 -9 680 -5 485	192 [†] -110 -472 -1 256	318 -897 10 378 2 235	4 194 1 588 -3 067 -157	82 446 107 655 127 710 [†]		-10 784 -25 295 -20 721 -67 417	87 415 116 710 134 106 165 525	-17 763 -22 481 [†] -40 223 1 855	58 867 [†] 68 934 73 163 99 963
Quarterly												
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	-12 566 6 325 -6 128 9 478	4 488 3 472 1 046 1 003	-1 100 -483 3 398 -4 268	-268 233 96† 131	-2 356 4 549 -2 931 1 056	3 734 1 000 1 287 –1 827	31 075 21 194 15 710 14 467	-7 737 -7 294 7 253 -13 861	1 272 -4 293 -8 868 1 105	21 643 30 821 14 141 20 810	-1 647 -10 843 11 470 -16 743	21 266 [†] 15 685 16 744 5 172
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	-6 323 7 069 402 17 079	-679 -1 330 -2 432 -3 942	3 699 -2 963 342 -1 715	-260 102 93 -45	-1 045 -266 -1 960 2 374	2 398 -1 001 208 -17	24 732 24 507 34 214 24 202	-7 112 1 725 -8 568 -11 010	-3 149 -8 180 -11 055 -2 911	21 165 27 428 32 586 35 531	-3 669 991 -6 401 [†] -13 402	14 346 20 238 15 131 19 219
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	-413 16 286 5 923 17 169	-3 092 -4 087 -11 652 -3 577	-1 088 -4 369 1 093 -5 316	32 -210 -185 -109	1 934 2 855 980 4 609	430 -2 099 -1 222 -176	21 782 [†] 34 558 30 592 40 778	2 404 -1 489 -2 048 -25 647	-4 478 -7 011 -17 995 8 763	17 248 42 189 25 737 48 932	901 -6 443 -4 250 -30 431	13 670 28 734 3 493 27 266
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	135 11 638 7 317 22 166	-10 790 -1 917 -9 497 -2 816	-977 140 -1 505 -3 143	-534 -413 -78 -231	978 2 204 125 –1 072	1 670 -136 -1 441 -250 [†]	34 935 37 476 51 827 31 851	30 367 4 667 -15 845 -14 942	-33 164 -16 198 -16 341 -1 714	22 724 46 978 47 964 [†] 47 859	31 059 2 327 –17 411 –14 120	20 619 33 108 14 212 32 024
2005 Q1 Q2	-2 578 16 420	−7 960 [†] 	3 199 	–388 	8 258 [†] 	1 411	31 699 	18 903 	1 877 	23 988	12 057 	37 921
Monthly												
2003 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	-11 655 -135 11 377 283 5 833 10 170	-4 053 -870 1 831 -5 478 4 670 -3 279	1 610 271 -2 969 1 608 -4 981 -996	-152 399 -215 -244 106 -72	1 138 -1 402 2 198 -1 322 4 784 -607	761 -245 -86 -940 -233 -926	4 743 11 024 6 015 10 969 10 537 13 052	10 458 [†] -12 263 4 209 1 446 5 172 -8 107	-15 024 10 831 -285 -23 -10 802 3 814	-9 529 10 674 16 103 7 153 16 155 18 881	10 081 [†] -11 106 1 926 1 828 155 -8 426	-14 472 [†] 10 399 17 743 8 957 5 508 14 269
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	-6 154 3 601 8 476 -1 649 5 791 13 027	-5 674 -4 139 -1 839 -7 308 6 269 -2 537	3 288 -1 654 -541 2 068 -5 387 -1 997	-235 53 -3 -96 -41 28	-1 339 228 2 091 -1 161 7 050 -1 280	880 -771 -1 331 3 016 -49 -3 143	7 726 5 309 17 557 23 106 9 928 7 744	-662 -9 991 8 605 -21 928 8 874 -12 593	-11 590 11 451 -17 856 5 455 -3 004 6 312	-1 047 3 141 23 643 16 163 16 509 16 260	1 556 -10 989 5 183 -17 751 1 775 -14 455	-11 081 3 603 10 971 3 867 15 281 8 118
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	-14 447 -154 14 736 -2 243 3 229 10 652	-3 206 -4 064 -3 521 -5 084 -2 487 5 654	3 794 -538 -4 233 2 975 904 -3 739	-292 237 -479 -170 -61 -182	-786 1 267 497 -1 908 1 168 2 944	3 019 225 -1 574 80 -68 -148	20 959 4 713 9 263 10 350 8 737 18 389	7 268 12 059 11 040 6 581 3 221 -5 135	-18 911 -3 579 -10 673 -7 162 348 -9 383	6 786 219 15 719 5 832 10 300 30 846	11 073 11 017 8 969 8 569 1 985 -8 227	-1 053 7 657 14 015 7 239 12 633 13 236
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	-6 883 3 261 10 939 -1 488 9 029 14 625	-4 948 784 -5 332 -3 043 2 066 -1 839	519 1 567 -3 591 653 -1 882 -1 914	243 -164 [†] -157 -61 -36 -134	-947 3 248 -2 176 1 345 -1 944 -473	-117 409 -1 733 -56 286 -480	14 260 15 348 22 219 [†] 14 820 2 130 14 901	950 -6 252 -10 543 -5 644 -1 200 -8 098	-5 117 [†] -1 683 -9 541 5 852 -2 711 -4 855	3 188 [†] 20 792 23 984 10 883 11 302 25 674	1 780 -9 091 -10 100 -7 045 1 030 -8 105	-150 10 019 4 343 9 691 9 620 12 713
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	-16 825 659 13 588 -1 000 [†] 5 104 12 316	-4 139 [†] -2 203 -1 618 2 113 -2 935	-367 4 277 -711 -124 [†] -1 449	6 -187 -207 -244 269	927 [†] 2 650 4 681 1 972 –898	1 714 -406 103 -37 -129	16 670 4 483 10 546 8 413 15 412	-3 510 14 979 7 434 3 869 20 093	6 006 -7 223 3 094 -2 416 -13 710	-4 655 7 015 21 628 8 509 16 409	-2 723 11 924 2 856 1 860 20 862	-1 373 11 716 27 578 7 953 23 561

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Column 1 020 7533 5984; Bank of England; Columns 2-12 020 7601 5467

For most periods the relationships between the columns are as follows: 11 = 5 + 6 + 8; 12 = 9 + 10 + 11. Due to the inclusion of Public Sector Net Cash Requirement (PSNCR) information on a ESA95 basis, 10 = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 7 from 1994/95 only. Because the latest available PSNCR information is included figures for more recent periods may not add exactly.

¹ A wider range of figures is published monthly in Financial Statistics.

² The M4 private sector comprises all UK residents other than the public sector, banks and building societies.
3 Formerly called the Public Sector Borrowing Requirement.
4 Columns 2 -12 do not contain National Statistics data.



^{*}Private sector other than banks and building societies

6.4 Public sector receipts and expenditure

£ million, not seasonally adjusted

		Pu	blic secto	r curren	t expend	iture				F	Public sect	or curre	nt receipts			
	Current expendi- ture on goods and services	Subsidi- es	Social		current	Interest paid to private sector and RoW	expendi-	Operati- ng surplus	Taxes on production	Taxes on income and wealth	Taxes on capital	Other Current taxes	social contrib-	Interes- t/divide from private- /RoW	other current transfe-	Total current receipts
Annual 2002 2003 2004	GZSN 210 945 231 758 246 783	6 232	ANLY 123 288 130 308 137 865	-855	NNAI 24 218 28 780 30 808	ANLO 21 534 22 721 23 659	ANLT 384 719 418 944 445 419	ANBP 16 524 17 486 17 498	NMYE 138 334 145 735 154 145	ANSO 142 395 143 508 156 381	NMGI 2 381 2 416 2 866	MJBC 20 360 22 555 24 310	ANBO 63 520 72 505 77 314	ANBQ 4 721 4 836 5 511	1 932	ANBT 390 510 410 973 439 677
Quarterly	У															
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	50 954 52 785 53 334 53 872	1 211 1 332 1 360 1 370	30 500	12 -126 -375 -50	5 409 6 067 6 845 5 897	5 236 5 437 4 631 6 230	92 897 95 472 96 295 100 055	4 132 3 987 4 152 4 253	32 658 33 910 35 796 35 970	44 764 28 727 35 762 33 142	556 607 619 599	4 812 5 172 5 221 5 155	18 231 14 624 14 972 15 693	1 027 1 187 1 230 1 277	654 467 698 456	106 834 88 681 98 450 96 545
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	56 352 57 968 58 327 59 111	1 207 2 040 1 458 1 527	31 540 32 810	-75 -185 -295 -300	7 227 7 388 6 709 7 456	5 813 5 398	100 861 104 564 104 407 109 112	4 287 4 154 4 321 4 724	34 046 36 430 36 506 38 753	45 506 29 371 36 239 32 392	545 606 631 634	5 204 5 686 5 823 5 842		1 243 1 169 1 173 1 251	433 439	109 694 95 546 103 331 102 402
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	60 543 60 908 62 046 63 286	1 477 1 761 1 667 1 827	32 888 33 847 34 302 36 828	-222 -187 -36 17	8 197 7 219 8 241 7 151	5 683 5 847	108 337 109 231 112 067 115 784	4 436 4 123 4 191 4 748	36 784 38 323 38 697 40 341	47 638 32 450 39 835 36 458	650 726 754 736	5 850 6 115 6 214 6 131	18 284	1 248 1 372 1 422 1 469	416 399	117 842 101 809 110 348 109 678
2005 Q1	64 440	1 981	34 276	-374	9 262	6 327	115 912	4 411	37 294	54 144	706	6 172	21 763	1 455	385	126 330

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 5987

6.5 Public sector key fiscal indicators¹

£ million⁵, not seasonally adjusted

	Surplus on cur	rrent budget ²	Net inve	estment ³	Net bor	rowing ⁴	Net cash r	equirement	Public sec	tor net debt
	General Government	Public Sector	General Government	Public Sector	General Government	Public Sector	General Government	Public Sector	£ billion ⁶	% of GDP ⁷
Annual										
	ANLW	ANMU ₊	-ANNV	-ANNW ₊	NNBK ₊	ANNX ₊	RUUS	RURQ	RUTN	RUTO,
2002	-6 073	−7 365 ^T	10 514	9 972 [†]		−17 337 ^T	16 421	18 227	345.2	32.1 [†]
2003	-21 023	-22 422	14 825	14 489	-35 731	-36 911	38 214	38 965	375.6	33.1
2004	-19 326	-20 264	16 528	15 661	-35 268	-35 925	41 337	41 256	417.6 [†]	35.1
Quarterly										
2002 Q1	11 192	10 703 [†]	4 812	4 713 [†]	6 366 [†]	5 990 [†]	-6 383	-6 323	311.7	30.1
Q2	-9 742	-9 763	1 011	785	-10 268	-10 548	7 126	7 069	318.7	30.4
Q3	-1 004	-1 179	2 563	2 224	-3 382	-3 403	-145	402	321.8	30.3
Q4	-6 519	-7 126	2 128	2 250	-8 568	-9 376	15 823	17 079	345.2	32.1
2003 Q1	5 917	4 956	5 870	6 285	-136	-1 329	-1 305	-413	342.4	31.4
Q2	-12 165	-12 493	1 973	1 613	-14 021	-14 106	16 404	16 286	350.8	31.7
Q3	-4 405	-4 624	3 387	3 200	-7 729	-7 824	6 036	5 923	356.1	31.8
Q4	-10 370	-10 261	3 595	3 391	-13 845	-13 652	17 079	17 169	375.6	33.1
2004 Q1	6 293	5 901	5 515	5 430	898	471	506	135	376.0	32.7
Q2	-10 665	-11 005	2 589	2 273	-13 052	-13 278	11 518	11 638	388.9 [†]	33.4
Q3	-5 057	-5 488	4 091	3 757	-9 122	-9 245	6 966	7 317	395.0	33.6
Q4	-9 897	-9 672	4 333	4 201	-13 992	-13 873	22 347	22 166	417.6	35.1
2005 Q1	7 069	8 286	9 411	8 754	-674	-468	-2 094	-2 578	415.3	34.4
Q2		-13 085		3 873	-15 976	-16 958		16 420	430.8	35.3

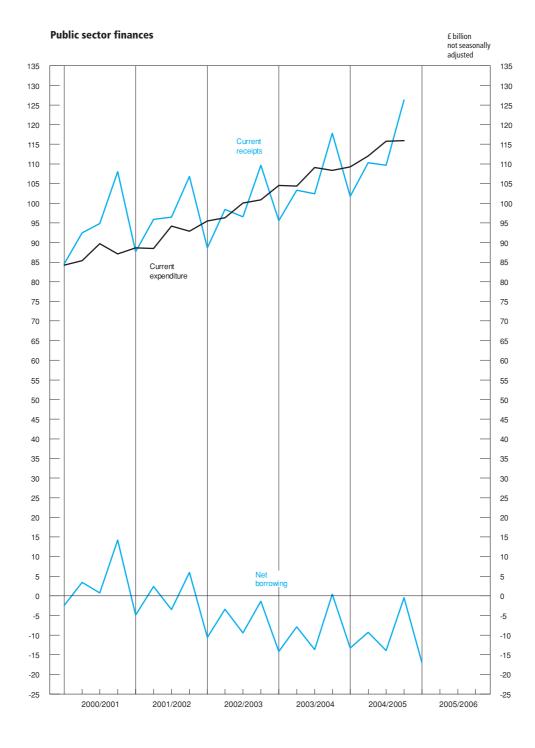
National accounts entities as defined under the European System of Accounts 1995 (ESA95).
 Net saving, plus capital taxes.

Sources: Office for National Statistics; Enquiries 020 7533 5984

³ Gross capital formation, plus payments less receipts, of investment grants less depreciation.

⁴ Net borrowing = surplus on current budget minus net investment. 5 Unless otherwise stated

^{Net debt at end of the month, Gross domestic product at market prices for 12 months centred on the end of the month.}



6.6 Consumer credit and other household sector borrowing

£ million

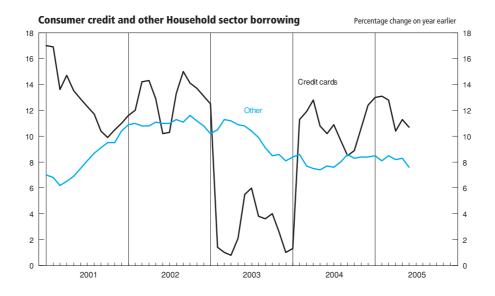
				Consumer	credit				
	Total consumer credit ^{1,3}	of which	other ^{1,2,3}	Banks ¹	Building Societies'	Other specialist lenders ³	Dotoiloro	Insurance	Loans secured on dwellings
A		credit cards 1,2,3	other ",=,°	banks.	Class 3 Loans ¹	ienders	Retailers	companies	(NSA ¹)
Amounts ou	tstanding: quarterly	V7D I	\/ 7 DI/	\/D\/\/	1/700	\/ 7 DLI	DI DO	\/ 7 07	ANNAT
1999 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	VZRI 105 907 [†] 109 052 112 280 115 484	VZRJ 28 433 29 669 [†] 30 752 32 092	VZRK 77 505 [†] 79 418 81 583 83 276	VRVV 75 722 77 801 [†] 80 460 82 712	VZRG 298 312 329 297	VZRH 25 865 26 767 27 487 28 301	RLBO 2 698 2 691 2 656 [†] 2 775	VZQZ 1 319 1 383 1 400 1 462	AMWT 464 160 ¹ 473 585 485 128 494 951
2000 Q1 Q2 Q3	119 284 122 023 124 300	33 448 34 933 36 289	85 863 87 122 88 059	86 033 88 728 91 036	315 315 349	28 852 28 937 [†] 29 129	2 663 2 613 2 554	1 415 1 310 1 273	503 376 514 638 525 523
Q4	127 322	37 619	89 576	94 299	392	29 010	2 502	1 197	535 391
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	129 078 132 951 136 022 140 958	38 009 39 421 39 997 41 753	91 119 93 544 96 040 99 158	95 819 100 304 103 443 107 815	412 424 447 436	29 122 28 329 28 472 29 104	2 524 2 509 2 522 2 478	1 229 1 221 1 206 1 178	546 179 561 121 576 957 591 152
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	144 284 147 226 152 960 157 077	43 405 43 437 45 943 47 230	100 919 103 793 106 988 109 859	111 003 113 179 118 358 120 946	463 460 523 610	29 192 29 628 30 413 31 837	2 505 2 574 2 560 2 532	1 183 1 193 1 196 1 182	606 222 625 670 652 553 675 180
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	156 512 161 233 164 314 166 326	43 819 45 824 47 565 47 760	112 656 115 378 116 692 118 708	116 752 119 755 121 894 122 811	625 672 736 766	35 669 37 414 38 780 39 980	2 523 2 220 2 166 2 144	1 033 933 824 701	695 615 718 271 746 267 774 548
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	170 222 174 696 178 264 182 160	48 995 50 532 51 602 53 724	121 161 124 154 126 580 128 593	127 087 130 914 133 911 137 184	751 777 836 904	39 695 40 047 40 910 41 585	2 073 2 040 1 988 1 936	690 698 676 661	798 753 826 117 853 713 876 562
2005 Q1 Q2	186 681 189 509	55 235 55 975	131 366 133 563	140 401 141 905	949 980	42 840 43 987	1 868 1 815	651 642	892 513
Amounts ou	tstanding: monthly								
2003 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	157 653 [†] 154 689 156 090 157 537 159 339 160 881	47 470 [†] 43 617 43 687 44 190 45 087 45 697	110 183 [†] 111 072 112 403 113 347 114 252 115 183	121 252 [†] 119 855 116 259 116 945 118 312 119 477	600 [†] 616 633 659 658 686	32 033 30 348 35 462 36 549 36 706 37 534	2 542 2 539 2 511 [†] 2 491 2 472 2 214	1 143 1 089 1 033 990 959 933	
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	162 273 163 388 164 118 165 465 166 063 166 116	46 330 46 886 47 561 47 991 47 844 47 516	115 943 116 502 116 556 117 474 118 219 118 600	120 967 121 828 121 725 121 892 122 551 122 717	699 715 725 732 730 737	37 697 37 677 38 821 39 884 40 128 39 994	2 197 2 202 2 157 2 152 2 151 2 139	904 868 824 776 732 701	
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	167 474 169 125 169 929 171 690 172 625 174 469	48 089 48 553 48 890 49 866 49 956 50 380	119 385 120 573 121 039 121 823 122 669 124 089	125 306 126 766 126 948 128 578 129 276 131 003	746 752 758 771 787 792	38 524 38 831 39 491 39 534 39 794 40 208	2 089 2 039 2 064 2 064 2 040 2 035	686 684 690 697 700 698	
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	176 161 177 246 178 186 179 434 181 083 182 005	51 374 51 439 51 610 52 253 52 935 53 427	124 788 125 807 126 577 127 181 128 147 128 577	132 339 132 732 134 001 135 159 136 242 137 036	803 811 822 833 848 874	40 353 40 772 40 991 41 000 41 526 41 498	2 018 1 998 1 980 1 968 1 945 1 931	692 684 676 669 664 661	
2005 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	183 911 185 277 186 424 186 836 188 423 189 279	54 325 54 894 55 155 55 044 55 618 55 777	129 587 130 383 131 269 131 792 132 804 133 502	138 323 139 259 140 444 140 740 141 689 142 099	892 912 960 944 969 1 000	41 763 42 143 42 676 42 627 [†] 43 188 44 167	1 907 1 880 1 858 1 834 1 822 1 811	658 655 651 647 643 642	

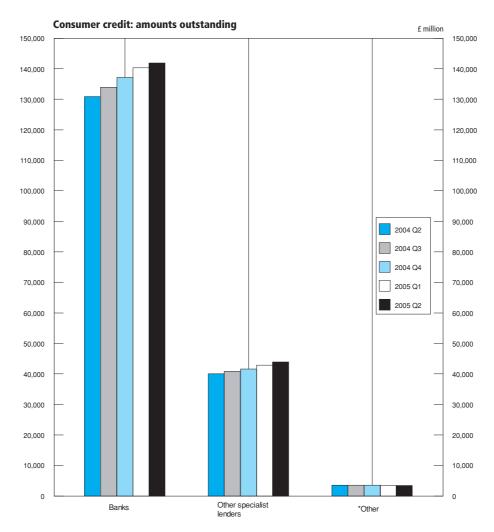
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2 From January 1999 onwards, a more accurate breakdown between

Sources: Bank of England; Enquiries Columns 1-5, 9 020 7601 5468; Office for National Statistics; Enquiries Columns 6-8 020 7 533 6046

² From January 1999 onwards, a more accurate breakdown between credit card and 'other lending' is available. Credit card lending by other specialist lenders can now be separately identified and is included for the first time within the credit card component. Hence, data from January 1999 onwards are not directly comparable with earlier periods.

³ Data have been revised back to February 2003 due to the inclusion of some additional other specialist lenders and the removal of some non-resident based securitisation vehicles.





*Other is the sum of Retailers, Insurance companies and Building society class 3 loans

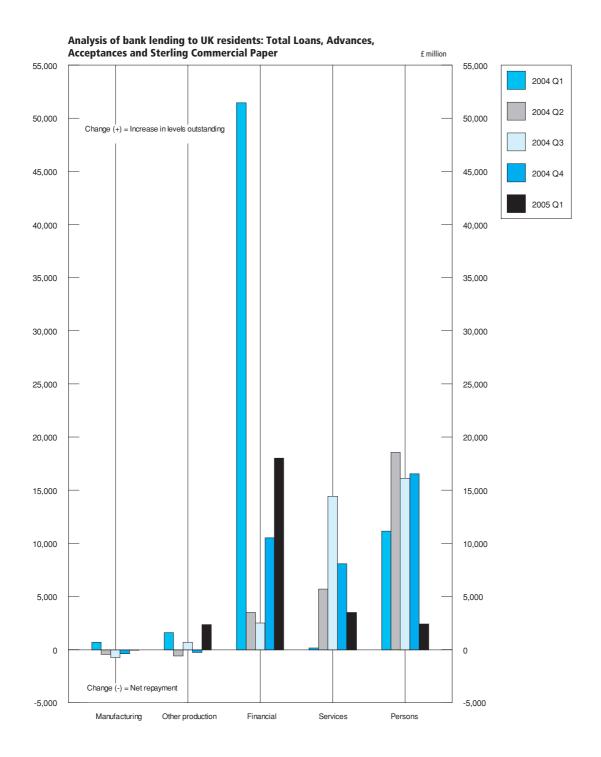
Analysis of bank lending to UK residents^{1,3} **Amounts outstanding**

£ million, not seasonally adjusted

					2	on, not codocidally adjusted
	Manufacturing ²	Other production	Financial	Services	Individuals	Total loans, advances and acceptances
Total Loans, Advances, A	Acceptances and Sterling	g Commercial paper				
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	TBSF 43 295 42 857 41 789 41 315	BCEX 34 468 33 780 34 098 33 801	BCFH 442 482 446 852 465 256 472 690	BCFR 251 277 256 301 269 605 276 838	TBTW 631 534 648 049 651 188 667 615	TBSA 1 403 058 1 427 840 1 461 936 ₁ 1 492 258
2005 Q1	41 160	36 157	490 490	280 212	667 577	1 515 596
Of which in sterling	TBUF	BCEY	BCFI	BCFS	TBVW	TBUA
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	30 492 30 717 29 527 29 102	32 206 31 005 31 346 30 870	205 249 212 517 239 330 244 248	234 927 240 052 251 547 258 166	630 968 647 406 650 440 666 816	1 133 842 1 161 696 1 202 189 1 229 202
2005 Q1	29 449	32 943	243 283	261 800	666 709	1 234 183
Changes in total lending	(sterling) TBWF	BCEZ	BCFJ	BCFT	TBXW	TBWA
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	607 268 -700 -424	2 009 -1 086 767 -476	8 956 7 729 12 657 5 318	1 831 5 913 12 797 7 083	11 141 18 502 16 055 16 490 [†]	24 545 31 325 41 576 27 991
2005 Q1	346	2 073	-3 039	3 634	2 367	5 382
Changes in total lending	(foreign currencies) TBYF	BCFA	BCFK	BCFU	TBZW	TBYA
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	98 -720 -38 50	-391 500 -53 230	42 495 -4 220 -10 122 5 208	-1 669 -201 1 646 1 024	31 74 98 64	40 565 -4 566 -8 469 6 577
2005 Q1	-383	296	21 082	-109	75 [†]	20 961
Facilities granted	TCAF	BCFB	BCFL	BCFV	TCBW	TCAA
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	86 665 81 948 80 535 80 540	65 661 63 173 65 844 67 658	495 863 503 124 525 645 532 527	356 278 358 914 375 653 387 539	715 332 736 411 739 016 754 796 [†]	1 719 799 1 743 570 1 786 692 1 823 061
2005 Q1	81 867	69 892	547 826	392 545	755 415	1 847 545
Of which in sterling	TCCF	BCFC	BCFM	BCFW	TCDW	TCCA
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	54 544 53 145 51 222 51 962	52 601 49 808 52 027 53 583	241 801 250 019 279 288 284 725	318 446 320 813 335 638 347 690	714 560 735 564 738 108 753 817 [†]	1 381 952 1 409 350 1 456 283 1 491 778
2005 Q1	53 207	54 301	281 433	351 154	753 604	1 493 699
Changes in sterling (faci	lities granted) TCEF	BCFD	BCFN	BCFX	TCFW	TCEA
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	1 910 -1 370 -1 433 741	2 442 -2 712 2 645 1 556	10 363 8 642 15 112 5 837	6 971 3 120 16 275 12 516	15 418 23 203 15 564 15 823 [†]	37 104 30 883 48 163 36 473 ¹
2005 Q1	1 244	718	-5 366	3 464	2 262	2 322
Changes in foreign curre		DOFF	DOEO	DOEV	TOUN	TOCA
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	TCGF 868 –3 525 237 –69	BCFE -158 217 361 704	BCFO 47 412 -2 401 -8 606 4 803	BCFY 105 8 1 601 983	TCHW 22 69 52 85	TCGA 48 250 -5 633 -6 355 6 506
2005 Q1	158	1 487	20 870	1 621	846 [†]	24 983

¹ Comprises loans advances (including under reverse repos), finance leasing, acceptances, facilities and holdings of sterling commercial paper issued by acceptances, racilities and nolongs of sterling commercial paper issued by UK residents, provided by reporting banks to their UK resident non-bank and non-building society customers. This analysis is based on Standard Industrial Classification of 1992 and excludes lending to residents in the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man which are classified as non-residents for statistical purposes from end-September 1997. Holdings of investments and bills and adjustments for transit items are no longer included. For a more detailed breakdown of these data, see *Financial Statistics* Table 4.5B. 2 Includes lending under DTI special scheme for domestic shipbuilding. 3 These figures fall outside the scope of National Statistics.

Source: Bank of England; Enquiries 020 7601 5360



6.8 Interest rates, security prices and yields⁵

Annual 2001 2002 2003 2004 Monthly 2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul	Treasury bill yield ¹ AJRP 3.87 3.92 3.90 4.75 5.57 5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71 4.33	Interbank 3 months bid rate ³ HSAJ 4.03 3.94 3.95 4.81 5.69 5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16 5.19	Interbank 3 months offer rate ² HSAK 4.06 3.96 3.98 4.84 5.72 5.56 5.47 5.28	Sterling certificates of deposit 3 months bid rate HSAL 3.98 3.90 3.95 4.78	Sterling certificates of deposit 3 months offer rate HSAM 4.02 3.94 3.98 4.82	Selected retail banks: base rate ZCMG	Euro- dollar 3 month rate AJIB 1.83 1.35 1.10 2.56	British govern- ment securities: long dated ³ - 20 years AJLX 4.78 4.83 4.64 4.77
2001 2002 2003 2004 Monthly 2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	3.87 3.92 3.90 4.75 5.57 5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10	4.03 3.94 3.95 4.81 5.69 5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16	4.06 3.96 3.98 4.84 5.72 5.56 5.47	3.98 3.90 3.95 4.78	4.02 3.94 3.98	 	1.83 1.35 1.10	4.78 4.83 4.64
2002 2003 2004 Monthly 2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	3.87 3.92 3.90 4.75 5.57 5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10	4.03 3.94 3.95 4.81 5.69 5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16	4.06 3.96 3.98 4.84 5.72 5.56 5.47	3.98 3.90 3.95 4.78	4.02 3.94 3.98	 	1.83 1.35 1.10	4.78 4.83 4.64
2002 2003 2004 Monthly 2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	3.92 3.90 4.75 5.57 5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	3.94 3.95 4.81 5.69 5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16	3.96 3.98 4.84 5.72 5.56 5.47	3.90 3.95 4.78	3.94 3.98		1.35 1.10	4.83 4.64
2003 2004 Monthly 2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	3.90 4.75 5.57 5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	3.95 4.81 5.69 5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16	3.98 4.84 5.72 5.56 5.47	3.95 4.78 5.66	3.98		1.10	4.64
Monthly 2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	5.57 5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	5.69 5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16	5.72 5.56 5.47	5.66	4.82		2.56	4.77
2001 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16	5.56 5.47					
Feb Mar Apr May Jun	5.46 5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	5.53 5.44 5.25 5.16	5.56 5.47					
Mar Apr May Jun	5.29 5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	5.44 5.25 5.16	5.47	5.50	5.72	6.00	5.35	4.51
Apr May Jun	5.11 5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	5.25 5.16	5.28	5.40	5.53 5.43	5.75 5.75	5.01 4.86	4.57 4.56
May Jun	5.02 5.10 5.04 4.71	5.16		5.23	5.25	5.50	4.27	4.86
	5.04 4.71	5.19	5.19	5.16	5.17	5.25	3.95	4.99
Jul	4.71		5.25	5.18	5.18	5.25	3.80	5.07
		5.16 4.84	5.22 4.88	5.16 4.83	5.17 4.84	5.25 5.00	3.60 3.43	5.03 4.81
Aug Sep		4.64	4.66 4.47	4.63 4.41	4.64 4.51	4.75	2.52	4.93
Oct	4.16	4.13	4.19	4.10	4.13	4.50	2.15	4.80
Nov Dec	3.81 3.87	3.94 4.03	4.00 4.06	3.92 3.98	3.96 4.02	4.00 4.00	2.00 1.83	4.51 4.75
2002 Jan	3.90	3.97	4.03	3.97	3.99	4.00	1.86	4.81
Feb	3.91	3.97	4.00	3.91	3.95	4.00	1.85	4.83
Mar	4.04	4.09	4.16	4.09	4.11	4.00	2.00	5.11
Apr May	3.98 4.04	4.06 4.09	4.13 4.13	4.05 4.09	4.06 4.11	4.00 4.00	1.86 1.82	5.13 5.18
Jun	3.97	4.06	4.09	4.05	4.07	4.00	1.83	5.02
Jul	3.75	3.94	3.97	3.92	3.94	4.00	1.75	4.90
Aug	3.86	3.91	3.97	3.91	3.93	4.00	1.80	4.64
Sep Oct	3.81 3.73	3.88 3.88	3.91 3.91	3.85 3.85	3.86 3.87	4.00 4.00	1.74 1.64	4.45 4.59
Nov	3.86	3.94	3.98	3.94	3.95	4.00	1.42	4.64
Dec	3.92	3.94	3.96	3.90	3.94	4.00	1.35	4.62
2003 Jan	3.79	3.88	3.91	3.88	3.89	4.00	1.29	4.44
Feb Mar	3.49 3.51	3.59 3.57	3.64 3.61	3.60 3.57	3.62 3.59	3.75 3.75	1.30 1.25	4.39 4.54
Apr	3.47	3.55	3.58	3.54	3.56	3.75	1.28	4.67
May	3.44	3.54	3.57	3.55	3.55	3.75	1.22	4.46
Jun	3.50	3.55	3.59	3.55	3.56	3.75	1.09	4.39
Jul	3.32	3.36	3.40	3.36	3.38	3.50	1.06	4.65
Aug Sep	3.53 3.59	3.54 3.66	3.57 3.67	3.54 3.63	3.56 3.65	3.50 3.50	1.11 1.13	4.68 4.76
Oct	3.81	3.86	3.90	3.85	3.87	3.50	1.13	4.88
Nov Dec	3.86 3.90	3.90 3.95	3.94 3.98	3.90 3.95	3.92 3.98	3.75 3.75	1.12 1.10	4.95 4.83
2004 Jan								
Feb	4.00 4.11	4.05 4.11	4.10 4.16	4.06 4.12	4.08 4.14	3.75 4.00	1.08 1.07	4.75 4.78
Mar	4.24	4.30	4.33	4.30	4.32	4.00	1.05	4.67
Apr	4.31	4.35	4.39	4.35	4.37	4.00	1.11	4.87
May Jun	4.54 4.65	4.56 4.77	4.59 4.79	4.55 4.74	4.59 4.78	4.25 4.50	1.24 1.56	4.98 5.00
Jul	4.80	4.86	4.89	4.87	4.88	4.50	1.64	4.92
Aug	4.77	4.88	4.90	4.88	4.90	4.75	1.78	4.81
Sep Oct	4.73 4.73	4.82 4.81	4.86 4.84	4.83 4.82	4.85 4.84	4.75 4.75	1.98 2.14	4.76 4.68
Nov	4.73	4.81	4.84	4.82 4.76	4.84	4.75 4.75	2.14	4.58
Dec	4.75	4.81	4.84	4.78	4.82	4.75	2.56	4.44
2005 Jan	4.71	4.79	4.81	4.77	4.81	4.75	2.75	4.44
Feb Mar	4.79 4.82	4.87 4.90	4.90 4.93	4.86 4.88	4.90 4.92	4.75 4.75	2.90 3.04	4.53 4.74
Apr	4.75	4.86	4.93	4.85	4.89	4.75	3.18	4.60
May Jun	4.70 4.57	4.79 4.69	4.81 4.73	4.78 4.69	4.82 4.73	4.75 4.75	3.31 3.51	4.41 4.29

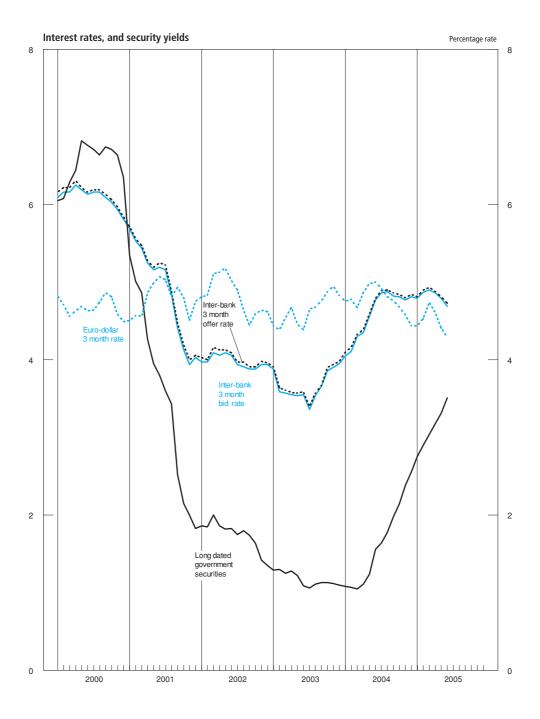
Sources: Bank of England; Enquiries 020 7601 4342.

ing the life of the bills.

2 Spread of rates over the day in the inter-bank sterling market; from June 1982 rates are the spread at 10.30 am.

¹ Average discount rate expressed as the rate at which interest is earned during the life of the bills.
2 Spread of rates over the day in the inter-bank sterling market; from June
2 Spread of rates over the day in the inter-bank sterling market; from June
3 Averages of Wednesdays until February 1980; from March 1980 figures are the average of all observations (3 a week); from January 1982 average of working days. Calculated gross redemption yields - see *Financial Statistics Explanatory*

Handbook.
4 These figures fall outside the scope of National Statistics.



6.9 A selection of asset prices

Not seasonally adjusted

		orice indices = 100)	Housing:ODPM all le	enders mix adjusted house (2002 = 100)	price index	
	Plant and machinery bought as fixed assets by Motor vehicle industry	Manufactured output Motor vehicle industry	New dwellings ¹	Secondhand dwellings ¹	All dwellings ¹	Average price of agricultural land in England (1995 = 100) ²
	madotty	inductry	Now awaiiinga	uwoigo	7 iii dweiiiiilge	(1000 = 100)
2001 2002 2003 2004	PVJL 102.0 100.2 99.5 98.9	PQIR 95.4 95.2 94.6 96.1	WMPN 90.3 108.7 126.4 138.6	WMPP 95.7 111.6 129.0 144.6	WMPQ 95.1 111.2 128.7 143.9	BAJI
Quarterly						
2001 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	102.9 103.1 101.2 101.1	95.4 95.5 95.4 95.4	90.8 90.8 94.1 95.4	92.1 96.0 99.4 96.9	92.1 95.4 98.8 96.8	155 ³ 148 ³ 160 ³ 154 ³
2002 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	101.0 100.5 100.0 99.2	95.6 95.5 94.9 94.9	100.0 106.5 111.0 117.1	100.0 108.4 116.1 121.8	100.0 108.2 115.5 121.3	130 ³ 139 ³ 152 ³ 148 ³
2003 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	99.1 99.7 99.9 99.5	94.6 94.1 94.5 95.1	119.3 127.2 127.9 131.8	124.0 127.3 131.1 133.7	123.4 127.2 130.7 133.4	136 ³ 146 ³ 179 ³ 137 ³
2004 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	98.8 99.3 98.9 98.8	95.5 96.2 96.3 96.5	130.8 137.8 143.1 142.6	135.2 143.1 149.6 150.7	134.6 142.5 148.9 149.8	158 ³ 160 ³ 145 ³
2005 Q1 Q2	99.2p 98.9p	96.9 96.9p	145.1 	150.1 	149.5 	
Monthly						
2003 Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	99.7 100.0 100.0 99.6 99.6 99.3	94.2 94.5 94.7 95.1 95.1 95.1	126.6 129.6 127.6 132.6 128.8 132.0	129.7 131.9 131.7 133.7 132.4 135.0	129.3 131.6 131.2 133.5 132.0 134.6	
2004 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun	98.8 98.2 99.3 99.1 99.5 99.2	95.0 95.4 96.2 96.3 96.3 95.9	131.5 129.4 131.6 135.9 136.7 140.9	136.0 134.7 134.8 141.1 142.9 145.3	135.4 134.1 134.4 140.5 142.2 144.7	
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¹ Series based on mortgage lending by all financial institutions rather than building societies only, as previously published. This change has been made necessary because of the mergers, takeovers and conversions to plc status affecting the building society sector. The series is based on the Office of the Deputy Prime Ministers' 5% survey of mortgage lenders (at completion stage), but now includes all mortgage lenders rather than building societies only. From February 2002, monthly data has been obtained from the enlarged survey and quarterly data from 2002q2 are based on monthly in-

² Please note that because of some changes in coverage, the revised series from Q1 1993 is not directly comparable with the old series. From Q1 1993 prices of all sales of agricultural land exclude some transfers in order to come closer to estimates of market determined prices. However the new series does not represent exactly competitive open market values. Sales are now analysed and recorded on the basis of when the transactions actually took place. Further information is available on the DEFRA Website

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(www.statistics.defra.gov.uk/esg/default.htm) accessible through the internet.
Data prior to 1993 remains on the previous basis.

³ Provisional estimates.

Sources: Office for National Statistics, Enquiries Columns 1-2 01633 812106; Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, Enquiries Columns 3-5 020 7944 3325; Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Enquiries Column 6 01904 455326

Measures of variability of selected economic series¹

		_	Average per	rcentage changes	S		MCD	Ī/ C̄ for MCD (or
	Table	Period covered	CI	Ī	C	Ī/ C	or QCD	QCD) span
Quarterly series								
National income and components:								
chained volume measures, reference year 2002	0.4	04 4000 to 04 0005	0.7	0.4	0.0	0.0		0.0
Gross Value Added (GVA) at Basic Prices	2.1 2.5	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005 Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	0.7 0.8	0.1 0.3	0.6 0.8	0.2 0.4	1	0.2 0.4
Households' Final Consumption Expenditure							1	
Gross fixed capital formation	2.2, 2.7 2.2	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005 Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	1.6 1.9	0.8 1.0	1.3 1.4	0.6 0.7	1	0.6 0.7
Exports: goods and services Imports: goods and services	2.2	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	1.9	0.9	1.4	0.7	1	0.7
Real Households' disposable income	2.2	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	1.0	0.8	0.7	1.2	2	0.6
current prices	2.5	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	1.0	0.0	0.7	1.2	2	0.4
Gross operating surplus of private								
non-financial corporations	2.11	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	2.6	1.8	1.6	1.1	2	0.4
Other quarterly series	2.11	Q1 1990 to Q1 2003	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	_	0.4
Construction output	5.2	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	0.9
Households' saving ratio ³	2.5	Q1 1990 to Q1 2005	0.9	0.7	0.5	1.5	2	0.4
Monthly series								
Retail sales (volume per week)								
Predominantly food stores	5.8	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	0.6	0.6	0.2	2.4	3	0.8
Predominantly non-food stores	5.8	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	1.0	1.0	0.4	2.4	3	0.7
Non-store and repair	5.8	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	2.1	2.0	0.5	3.6	4	0.9
Index of industrial production								
Production industries	5.1	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	0.6	0.5	0.2	2.8	4	0.8
Manufacturing industries	5.1	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	0.6	0.5	0.2	2.4	3	0.9
Average earnings: whole economy	4.6	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	0.5	0.3	0.4	8.0	1	0.8
Exports: value, f.o.b.4	2.13	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	2.8	2.7	0.7	3.7	4	0.9
Imports: value, f.o.b.4	2.13	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	2.2	2.0	0.7	3.0	3	0.9
Money stock - M0 ⁵	6.2	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.6	1	0.6
Money stock - M4 ⁵	6.2	Jan 1990 to Mar 2005	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.5	1	0.5

¹ For a fuller description of these measures see article 'Measuring variability in economic time series' in *Economic Trends*, No 226, August 1972. The following are brief definitions of the measures.

CI is the average month to month (quarter to quarter for quarterly series) percentage change without regard to sign in the seasonally adjusted series. \overline{C} is the same for the trend component. \overline{I} is the same for the irregular component, obtained by dividing the trend

T is the same for the irregular component, obtained by dividing the trend component into the seasonally adjusted series, except for those series which are seasonally adjusted using an additive model, see footnotes 3 and 5

 \overline{V} \overline{C} is therefore a measure of the size of the relative irregularity of the seasonally adjusted series.

sonally adjusted series. The average changes $\overline{1}$ and \overline{C} can also be computed successively over spans of increasing numbers of months (quarters). MCD (QCD), months (quarters) for cyclical dominance, is the shortest span of months (quarters) for which $\overline{1/C}$ is less than 1 and therefore represents the minimum period over which changes in the trend, on average, exceed the irregular movement

MCD cannot exceed 6 even if $\overline{l}/\overline{C}$ exceeds 1 for 6-month periods.

- 2 Series relate to Great Britain
- 3 The figures in the tables were obtained from an additive analysis of the households' saving ratio so Cl, | and | C are differences in percentage points.
- 4 The figures have been updated as described in an article in *Economic Trends*, No 320, June 1980.
- 5 As the irregular component for M0 and M4 is obtained by subtraction of the trend rather than by division, the figures for CI, I and C are expressed as percentages of the trend level in the preceding month.

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ODPM – Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.

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