Written Summary of Oral Submission on 18/3/19 for Deadline 5

TR020002 - Manston Airport - Ref:20011948

Introduction

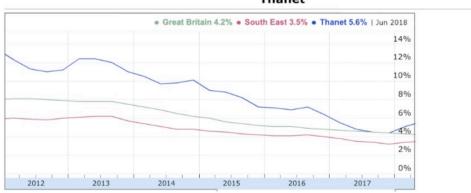
We are writing as Vice Chair of Kent Needs Manston Airport and Vice Chair of Save Manston Airport Association, which both supports the RSP DCO application in full, and as such agree with all aspects of the application [APP-001 to APP-087].

Response to submissions for Deadline 4

In our Written Representation [REP3-048] we included background data on unemployment¹ to illustrate how bad the situation was in Thanet compared with Kent and Great Britain and hence show how the jobs created by the proposed DCO would make a huge difference to not only Thanet but the surrounding area.

However, it has been suggested in a submission for deadline 4 but listed as deadline 3[REP3-296]:

6.2. Optimism bias in the report includes highly selective and limited presentation of data, including misleading regional employment data which fails to take into account a sharp drop in unemployment in Thanet since 2012, including a 4.1% drop in unemployment since closure of the former Manston Airport, (see chart below).



All people - Economically active - Unemployed (Model Based)
Thanet

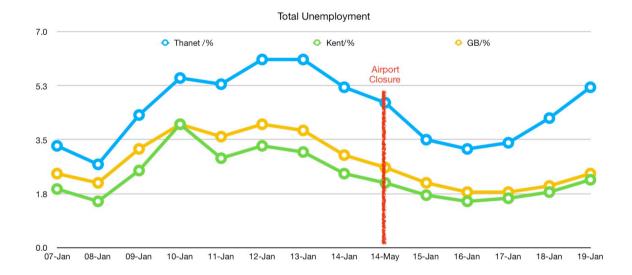
Dealing with these points in turn. The data we used was the latest available at the time (December 2018) from the Kent County Council (KCC) website but for the avoidance of doubt we will show unemployment figures from January 2007 (the earliest data available on the KCC website) until January 2019 (the latest available).²

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² District Unemployment 2007 to 2019

Total Unemployment

| Year | Thanet /% | Kent/% | GB/% |
|--------|-----------|--------|------|
| 07-Jan | 3.3 | 1.9 | 2.4 |
| 08-Jan | 2.7 | 1.5 | 2.1 |
| 09-Jan | 4.3 | 2.5 | 3.2 |
| 10-Jan | 5.5 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| 11-Jan | 5.3 | 2.9 | 3.6 |
| 12-Jan | 6.1 | 3.3 | 4.0 |
| 13-Jan | 6.1 | 3.1 | 3.8 |
| 14-Jan | 5.2 | 2.4 | 3.0 |
| 14-May | 4.7 | 2.1 | 2.6 |
| 15-Jan | 3.5 | 1.7 | 2.1 |
| 16-Jan | 3.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| 17-Jan | 3.4 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| 18-Jan | 4.2 | 1.8 | 2.0 |
| 19-Jan | 5.2 | 2.2 | 2.4 |



From the graph it is clear that unemployment in Thanet has been consistently higher than nationally and this despite being in Kent that has lower unemployment numbers than the National average. This illustrates very clearly that the data we presented to the Examining Authority was not misleading and was indeed a true reflection of the unemployment problem in Thanet.

It was also suggested above that there has been a sharp drop in unemployment since 2012 and an overall drop of 4.1% since the airport closed. From the graph it can be seen that there was a drop in unemployment from Jan 2013 in Thanet, but this followed the trend shown by Kent and GB. Since Jan 2016 the trend shows unemployment rising again.

The unemployment in Thanet was 4.7% when the airport closed in May 2014 and is now 5.2% (January 2019) which means unemployment is actually higher now than it was when the airport closed and NOT 4.1% lower as suggested in the submission [REP3-296].

It should be noted that unemployment in Thanet seems more "volatile" showing sharper decreases and increases than in Kent and GB with a 1% increase in the last year.

As indicated in our Written Representation [REP3-048], "Thanet continues to rank as the most deprived Local Authority in Kent"³. **Using the Index of Deprivation (ID) where 1 is the most deprived:**

"Out of 326 Local Authorities, Thanet is now ranked 28th, which is 21 places worse than in 2010.4 Thanet is within the top (worst) 10% most deprived Authorities in England."

The findings for 2007 are less clear. Depending on whether you use the "Rank of Average Score" for ID Thanet ranked 65th out of 354 Local Authorities or if you use the "Rank of Average Rank" of ID Thanet was 62nd out of 354 Local Authorities. However, whichever figure is used, the deprivation in Thanet has become considerably worse since 2007.

2007 65th or 62nd 2010 49th 2015 28th

With such high levels of unemployment and deprivation, Thanet desperately NEEDS jobs. In an area where Thanet District 75.9% of enterprises employ 0-4 people only 5 enterprises out of 2,935 $(0.1\%)^5$ employ more than 250 people, the large number and range of jobs proposed will be transformational.

N.B. Since giving my Oral Presentation and writing this summary, KCC have published the unemployment figures for February 2019. For your information the data shows a continued increase in unemployment in Thanet, Kent and GB.

February 2019 Total Unemployment (January 2019 figures in brackets)

Thanet 5.4% (5.2%)

Kent 2.4% (2.2%)

GB 2.6% (2.4%)

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³ Appendix 1 – page 1

⁵ Appendix 3 – page 6 table 3 and table 4

The English Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD 2015): Headline findings for Kent

Related information

The <u>Deprivation and Poverty</u> web page contains more information which you may find useful.

- Fuel poverty
- Households in poverty
- Children in Poverty
- Homelessness
- Unemployment and benefits claimants

NOTE: within this bulletin 'Kent' refers to the Kent County Council (KCC) area which excludes Medway

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The English Index of Multiple Deprivation 2015 (IMD2015) was released 30 September 2015 by The Department for Communities and Local Government. This bulletin presents the initial findings for Kent.

Summary

- On the National rank of the IMD2015 Kent is ranked at 100th out of 152 Counties and Unitary Authorities in England. This places Kent within the least deprived 50% of all counties and unitary authorities in England.
- Within the 19 Counties and Local Authorities in the South East, Kent is ranked at 9. This places Kent just within the most deprived 50% of all Counties and Unitary Authorities in the South East.
- The level of deprivation in eight out of 12 Kent local authority districts has increased since ID2010 relative to other areas in England.
- Thanet continues to rank as the most deprived local authority in Kent.
- Tunbridge Wells ranks as the least deprived local authority in Kent
- Ashford and Swale have experienced the largest increase in deprivation relative to other areas.
- Tunbridge Wells has experienced the largest decrease in deprivation relative to other areas.



Introduction

The Index of Multiple Deprivation 2015 (IMD 2015) is the official measure of relative deprivation for small areas (or neighbourhoods) in England.

The IMD ranks every small area in England from 1 (most deprived area) to 32,844 (least deprived area).

The small areas used are called Lower-layer Super Output Areas, of which there are 32,844 in England. They are designed to be of a similar population size with an average of 1,500 residents each and are a standard way of dividing up the country. They do not have descriptive place names (in the way that local wards do), but are named in a format beginning with the name of the local authority district followed by a 4 character code eg Ashford 001A.

It is common to describe how relatively deprived a small area is by saying whether it falls among the most deprived 10 per cent, 20 per cent or 30 per cent of small areas in England (although there is no definitive cut-off at which an area is described as 'deprived').

To help with this, deprivation 'deciles' are published alongside ranks. Deciles are calculated by ranking the 32,844 small areas in England from most deprived to least deprived and dividing them into 10 equal groups. These range from the most deprived 10 per cent of small areas nationally to the least deprived 10 per cent of small areas nationally.

The Index of Multiple Deprivation is part of the Indices of Deprivation and it is the most widely used of these indices. It combines information from seven domain indices (which measure different types or dimensions of deprivation) to produce an overall relative measure of deprivation. You can use the domain indices on their own to focus on specific aspects of deprivation. There are also supplementary indices concerned with income deprivation among children (IDACI) and older people (IDAOPI).

The Index of Multiple Deprivation is designed primarily to be a *small-area* measure of deprivation. But the Indices are commonly used to describe deprivation for higher-level geographies including local authority districts. A range of summary measures are available allowing you to see where, for example, a local authority district is ranked between 1 (the most deprived district in England) and 326 (the least deprived district in England). Summary measures are also available for upper tier local authorities, local enterprise partnerships and clinical commissioning groups.

All of the Indices of Deprivation measure relative deprivation at small area level as accurately as possible, but they are not designed to provide 'backwards' comparability with previous versions of the Indices (2010, 2007, 2004 and 2000). However, because there is a broadly consistent methodology between the Indices of Deprivation 2015 and previous versions, you can compare the rankings as determined at the relevant time point by each of the versions.

When looking at changes in deprivation between the Indices of Deprivation 2015 and previous versions, users should therefore be aware that changes can only be described in relative terms, for example, the extent to which an area has changed rank or decile of deprivation.

This bulletin presents the IMD 2015 for Kent, Kent local authorities and the 10% most deprived LSOAs in Kent. A comparison with the IMD2010 (and IMD2007 at County level) is also presented.

County Level

The overall IMD2015 ranks Kent at 100 out of 152 local authorities in England This places Kent within the least 50% deprived local authorities in England.

This position is two places higher than the IMD2010 and six places higher than the IMD2007 which indicates that Kent has become more deprived in 2015 relative to all other areas.

Kent's position amongst the local authorities within the South East region is nine out of 19. This position has not changed between the IMD2007 and IMD2010. This places Kent just within the 50% most deprived areas in the region.

Table 1: South East Counties and Unitary Authorities by national and regional ranks: IMD2007, IMD2010, IMD2015

South East Counties and Unitary Authorities by national and regional ranks: IMD2007, IMD2010, and IMD2015
Source: Indices of Deprivation 2007; 2010; and 2015 Communities and Local Government
Table presented by Strategic Business Development & Intelligence, Kent county Council
A rank of 1 is the most deprived

| | | | | | | | Change in ra | ank* 2010 to |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| | IMD | 2007 | IMD: | 2010 | IMD | 2015 | 20 | 15 |
| | National | South East | National | South East | National | South East | | |
| | rank | rank | rank | rank | rank | rank | National | South East |
| Authority | (out of 152) | (out of 19) | (out of 152) | (out of 19) | (out of 152) | (out of 19) | position | position |
| Portsmouth U.A. | 67 | 3 | 60 | 2 | 50 | 1 | 10 | 1 |
| Southampton U.A. | 66 | 2 | 65 | 3 | 54 | 2 | 11 | 1 |
| Brighton and Hove U.A. | 59 | 1 | 53 | 1 | 74 | 3 | -21 | -2 |
| Isle of Wight U.A. | 88 | 5 | 86 | 5 | 76 | 4 | 10 | 1 |
| Slough U.A. | 79 | 4 | 69 | 4 | 78 | 5 | -9 | -1 |
| Medway U.A. | 92 | 6 | 88 | 7 | 81 | 6 | 7 | 1 |
| Reading U.A. | 94 | 7 | 87 | 6 | 93 | 7 | -6 | -1 |
| East Sussex | 95 | 8 | 90 | 8 | 99 | 8 | -9 | 0 |
| Kent | 106 | 9 | 102 | 9 | 100 | 9 | 2 | 0 |
| Milton Keynes | 118 | 10 | 119 | 10 | 106 | 10 | 13 | 0 |
| West Sussex | 132 | 11 | 130 | 11 | 131 | 11 | -1 | 0 |
| Hampshire | 141 | 13 | 141 | 13 | 141 | 12 | 0 | 1 |
| Oxfordshire | 139 | 12 | 135 | 12 | 142 | 13 | -7 | -1 |
| Bracknell Forest U.A. | 147 | 15 | 148 | 16 | 145 | 14 | 3 | 2 |
| West Berkshire U.A. | 149 | 17 | 147 | 15 | 146 | 15 | 1 | 0 |
| Buckinghamshire | 146 | 14 | 145 | 14 | 148 | 16 | -3 | -2 |
| Surrey | 150 | 18 | 150 | 18 | 150 | 17 | 0 | 1 |
| Windsor & Maidenhead U.A. | 148 | 16 | 149 | 17 | 151 | 18 | -2 | -1 |
| Wokingham U.A. | 152 | 19 | 152 | 19 | 152 | 19 | 0 | 0 |

Table sorted by ID2015 lowest rank

^{*} A minus change in rank illustrates that an area has moved down the rankings and is therefore less deprived in ID2015 than ID2010 relative to other areas

 $^{{}^*\!}A\,positive\,change\,in\,rank\,illustrates\,an\,area\,is\,more\,deprived\,in\,ID2015\,than\,ID2010\,relative\,to\,other\,areas\,in\,rank\,illustrates\,an\,area\,in\,rank\,illustrates\,an\,are$

Local Authority Level

Thanet was the most deprived local authority in the IMD2010 and remains Kent's most deprived local authority district in IMD2015. Nationally, Thanet is ranked at 21 out of 326 authorities placing it within England's 10% most deprived of authorities.

Kent's least deprived local authority district in the IMD2015 is Tunbridge Wells with a rank of 282 out of 326 authorities. This rank places Tunbridge Wells within the least 20% deprived areas in England.

Deprivation levels have increased in eight out of the 12 local authority districts relative to all other areas between IMD2010 and IMD2015.

Ashford and Swale have seen the greatest change in national rank, both moving up 22 places between 2010 and 2015. This indicates that these areas are more deprived in 2015 than in 2010 relative to all other local authorities in England.

Canterbury, Shepway, Tonbridge & Malling and Tunbridge Wells have all moved down in the rankings which indicates that levels of deprivation have reduced between 2010 and 2015 relative to other local authorities in England.

Table 2: Kent Local Authorities by national and Kent ranks: IMD2010, IMD2015

Kent local authorities by national and Kent ranks: IMD2010 and IMD2015

Source: Indices of Deprivation 2010 and 2015, Communities and Local Government Table presented by Strategic Business Development & Intelligence, Kent county Council

A rank of 1 is the most deprived

| | | | | | Change | |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|----------|----------------|
| | IMD20 | 10 | IMD20 | 15 | 2010 t | o 201 5 |
| | IMD2010 | | IMD2015 | Kent | | |
| | national rank | Kent Rank | national rank | Rank (out | National | Kent |
| Authority | (out of 326) | (out of 12) | (out of 326) | of 12) | position | position |
| Thanet | 49 | 1 | 28 | 1 | 21 | 0 |
| Swale | 99 | 3 | 77 | 2 | 22 | 1 |
| Shepway | 97 | 2 | 113 | 3 | -16 | -1 |
| Gravesham | 142 | 5 | 124 | 4 | 18 | 1 |
| Dover | 127 | 4 | 126 | 5 | 1 | -1 |
| Dartford | 175 | 7 | 170 | 6 | 5 | 1 |
| Ashford | 198 | 8 | 176 | 7 | 22 | 1 |
| Canterbury | 166 | 6 | 183 | 8 | -17 | -2 |
| Maidstone | 217 | 9 | 198 | 9 | 19 | 0 |
| Sevenoaks | 276 | 12 | 268 | 10 | 8 | 2 |
| Tonbridge & Malling | 268 | 11 | 274 | 11 | -6 | 0 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 249 | 10 | 282 | 12 | -33 | -2 |

Table ranked by highest IMD 2015 Score

^{*} A minus change in rank illustrates that a district has moved down the rankings and is therefore now less deprived relative to other areas in England.

 $^{{}^*\!}A\,positive\,change\,in\,rank\,illustrates\,an\,area\,is\,more\,deprived\,in\,ID2015\,thank\,ID2010\,relative\,to\,other\,areas\,in\,rank\,i$

Deprivation at small area level in Kent's Lower Super Output Areas

Kent has 902 Lower Super Output Areas, 51 (6%) fall within the top 10% most deprived LSOAs in England in the IMD2015. In the IMD2010 the number of LSOAs within the most deprived 10% nationally was 32 (4%).

These LSOAs are spread within seven of Kent's local authorities with Thanet having the highest number and proportion of LSOA within the top10% most deprived LSOAs in England.

Ashford, Canterbury, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge & Malling and Tunbridge Wells do not have any LSOAs ranked within the top 10% most deprived in England.

Table 3: The number and proportion of LSOAs in Kent Authorities within the 10% most deprived Lower Super Output Areas in England

IMD2015 Number and proportion of LSOAs in Kent authorities within the top 10% most deprived in England Source: Indices of Deprivation 2010 and 2015, Communities and Local Government

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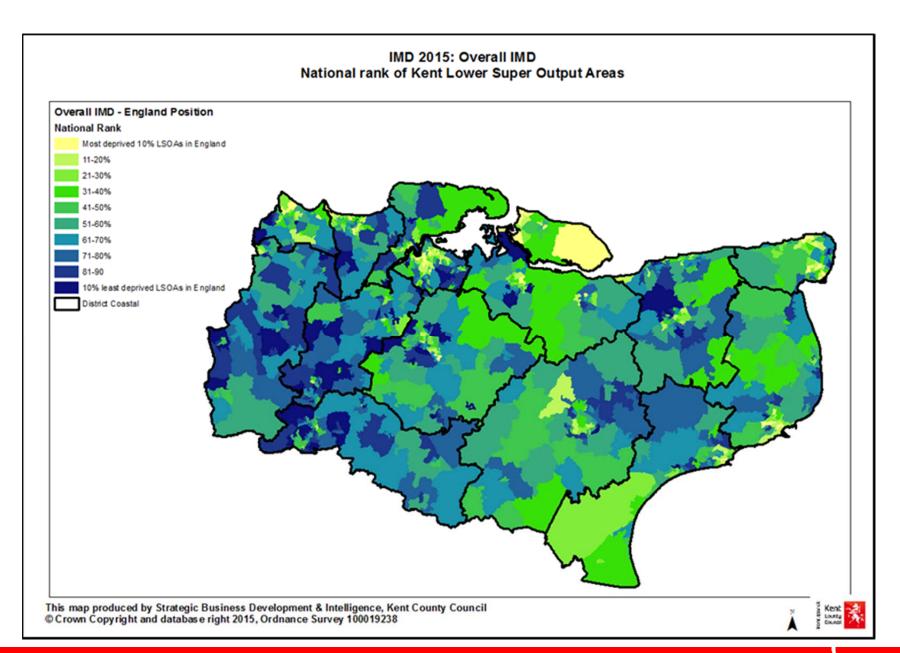
| | Total LSOAs in | deprived Rank: IIV | | Top 109 deprived Rank:IM | National | Change |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----|--------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Authority | each Local Authority | Number of LSOAs | % | Number of LSOAs | % | Number of LSOAs |
| Thanet | 84 | 14 | 16% | 18 | 20% | 4 |
| Swale | 85 | 8 | 9% | 14 | 16% | 6 |
| Gravesham | 64 | 3 | 3% | 6 | 7% | 3 |
| Dover | 67 | 1 | 1% | 4 | 4% | 3 |
| Shepway | 67 | 5 | 6% | 4 | 4% | -1 |
| Dartford | 58 | 0 | 0% | 3 | 3% | 3 |
| Maidstone | 95 | 1 | 1% | 2 | 2% | 1 |
| Canterbury | 90 | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 |
| Ashford | 78 | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 |
| Sevenoaks | 74 | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 |
| Tonbridge & Malling | 72 | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 68 | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 |
| Kent | 902 | 32 | 36% | 51 | 57% | 19 |

Table ranked by highest number of LSOAs in top 10% most deprived by IMD 2015 Score

The highest ranking LSOA in Kent is in Thanet District, within Cliftonville West ward. This LSOA is ranked 4th out of 32,844 LSOAs in England placing it within England's most deprived 1% of small areas.

The lowest ranking LSOA in Kent is in Tunbridge Wells Borough, within Speldhurst & Bidborough ward. This LSOA is ranked 32,728th out of 32,844 LSOAs in England placing it within England's most deprived 1% of small areas.

Map 1 illustrates the pattern of deprivation across Kent at LSOA level. The map shows there is an east/west divide, with the east of the county having higher levels of deprivation than the west.



A ward level measure of deprivation is not published as part of the official IMD2015. However, there is high demand for a ward level measure and we will issue ward level ranks based on averages of LSOA scores at a later date. Table 4 indicates the wards in which the top 10% most deprived LSOAs in Kent are situated. This table also shows the national rank and South East rank.

Table 4: The 10% most deprived Lower Super Output Areas in Kent

The 10% most deprived Lower Super Output Areas in Kent: (Rank 1 to 45 out of 90)

Source: Indices of Deprivation 2015, Communities and Local Government

A rank of 1 is the most deprived

Table presented by Strategic Business Development & Intelligence, Kent county Council

| | | Nationa | l rank | South Ea | st rank | Kent | Rank |
|----------------|------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------|------------|
| | | position out | Within top | position out | Within top | Position | Within top |
| | | of 32,844 | 10% most | of 5,382 | 10% most | | |
| 2011 LSOA Name | 2011 Ward Name | LSOAs | deprived | LSOAs | deprived | LSOAs | deprived |
| Thanet 001A | Cliftonville West | 4 | Yes | 1 | Yes | 1 | Yes |
| Thanet 001E | Margate Central | 21 | Yes | 2 | Yes | 2 | Yes |
| Thanet 003A | Margate Central | 35 | Yes | 3 | Yes | 3 | Yes |
| Swale 001A | Sheerness East | 46 | Yes | 4 | | 4 | Yes |
| Thanet 001D | Cliftonville West | 117 | Yes | 7 | Yes | 5 | Yes |
| Thanet 001B | Cliftonville West | 233 | Yes | 10 | Yes | 6 | Yes |
| Swale 010C | Murston | 329 | Yes | 14 | Yes | 7 | Yes |
| Swale 006A | Leysdown and Warden | 366 | Yes | 18 | Yes | 8 | Yes |
| Thanet 016D | Eastcliff | 423 | Yes | 22 | Yes | 9 | Yes |
| Thanet 006D | Dane Valley | 452 | Yes | 24 | Yes | 10 | Yes |
| Thanet 013B | Newington | 486 | Yes | 26 | Yes | 11 | Yes |
| Shepway 014A | Folkestone Harbour | 572 | Yes | 29 | Yes | 12 | Yes |
| Swale 002C | Sheerness West | 626 | Yes | 31 | Yes | 13 | Yes |
| Swale 002A | Sheerness West | 674 | Yes | 32 | Yes | 14 | Yes |
| Thanet 003E | Westbrook | 692 | Yes | 33 | Yes | 15 | Yes |
| Swale 002B | Sheerness West | 739 | Yes | 36 | Yes | 16 | Yes |
| Thanet 013E | Northwood | 968 | Yes | 42 | Yes | 17 | Yes |
| Swale 006D | Sheppey Central | 1013 | Yes | 44 | Yes | 18 | Yes |
| Swale 004E | Sheppey Central | 1036 | Yes | 46 | Yes | 19 | Yes |
| Swale 005C | Queenborough and Halfway | 1053 | Yes | 48 | Yes | 20 | Yes |
| Thanet 006E | Dane Valley | 1065 | Yes | 52 | Yes | 21 | Yes |
| Thanet 004A | Cliftonville West | 1171 | Yes | 54 | Yes | 22 | Yes |
| Shepway 014B | Folkestone Harvey Central | 1343 | Yes | 63 | Yes | 23 | Yes |
| Dover 011F | St Radigunds | 1358 | Yes | 64 | Yes | 24 | Yes |
| Swale 015D | Davington Priory | 1649 | Yes | 74 | Yes | 25 | Yes |
| Shepway 003C | Folkestone East | 1751 | Yes | 76 | Yes | 26 | Yes |
| Gravesham 011D | Singlewell | 1876 | Yes | 81 | Yes | 27 | Yes |
| Gravesham 001C | Northfleet North | 1877 | Yes | 82 | Yes | 28 | Yes |
| Dartford 001A | Joyce Green | 1951 | Yes | 85 | Yes | 29 | Yes |
| Maidstone 013A | Park Wood | 1979 | Yes | 86 | Yes | 30 | Yes |
| Gravesham 002E | Riverside | 2017 | Yes | 89 | Yes | 31 | Yes |
| Dover 012F | Castle | 2065 | Yes | 94 | Yes | 32 | Yes |
| Swale 006B | Leysdown and Warden | 2109 | Yes | 97 | Yes | 33 | Yes |
| Thanet 003D | Salmestone | 2224 | Yes | 102 | Yes | 34 | Yes |
| Swale 001B | Sheerness East | 2240 | Yes | 104 | Yes | 35 | Yes |
| Thanet 016E | Eastcliff | 2319 | Yes | 107 | Yes | 36 | Yes |
| Dover 013B | Maxton, Elms Vale and Priory | 2330 | Yes | 108 | Yes | 37 | Yes |
| Gravesham 011C | Singlewell | 2533 | Yes | 118 | Yes | 38 | Yes |
| Swale 001C | Sheerness East | 2564 | Yes | 121 | Yes | 39 | Yes |
| Thanet 013A | Newington | 2633 | Yes | 123 | Yes | 40 | Yes |
| Gravesham 007A | Westcourt | 2730 | Yes | 128 | Yes | 41 | Yes |
| Thanet 001C | Cliftonville West | 2739 | Yes | 129 | Yes | 42 | Yes |
| Thanet 016C | Central Harbour | 2751 | Yes | 130 | Yes | 43 | Yes |
| Thanet 015D | Eastcliff | 2850 | Yes | 134 | Yes | 44 | Yes |
| Maidstone 013B | Park Wood | 2857 | Yes | 137 | Yes | 45 | Yes |

Table 4 continued: The 10% most deprived Lower Super Output Areas in Kent

The 10% most deprived Lower Super Output Areas in Kent: (Rank 46 to 90 out of 90)

Source: Indices of Deprivation 2015, Communities and Local Government

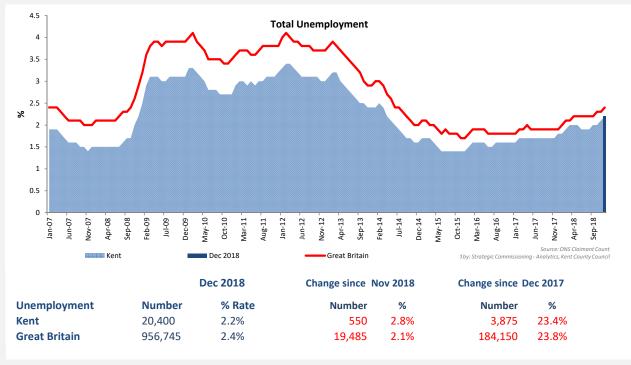
A rank of 1 is the most deprived

Table presented by Strategic Business Development & Intelligence, Kent county Council

| , | tegic Business Development & Intellig | Nationa | | South Ea | st rank | Kent | Rank |
|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2011 LSOA Name | 2011 Ward Name | position out of 32,844 LSOAs | Within top 10% most deprived | position out of 5,382 LSOAs | Within top 10% most deprived | Position out of 902 LSOAs | Within top 10% most deprived |
| Swale 001D | Sheerness East | 2887 | Yes | 140 | Yes | 46 | Yes |
| Dartford 004C | Swanscombe | 3010 | Yes | 147 | | 47 | Yes |
| Dover 011D | Buckland | 3071 | Yes | 151 | Yes | 48 | Yes |
| Shepway 014D | Folkestone Harvey Central | 3125 | Yes | 154 | | 49 | Yes |
| Dartford 001D | Littlebrook | 3199 | Yes | 156 | Yes | 50 | Yes |
| Gravesham 002A | Central | 3222 | Yes | 158 | Yes | 51 | Yes |
| Ashford 008C | Stanhope | 3285 | No | 163 | Yes | 52 | Yes |
| Shepway 014C | Folkestone Harvey Central | 3296 | No | 164 | | 53 | Yes |
| Ashford 008B | Stanhope | 3315 | No | 165 | Yes | 54 | Yes |
| Thanet 005A | Garlinge | 3332 | No | 167 | Yes | 55 | Yes |
| | | | | | | | |
| Swale 002D | Sheerness West | 3474 | No | 174 | Yes | 56 | Yes |
| Swale 010B | Milton Regis | 3609 | No | 183 | Yes | 57 | Yes |
| Dover 012D | Tower Hamlets | 3627 | No | 185 | Yes | 58 | Yes |
| Thanet 006C Canterbury 019A | Dane Valley Wincheap | 3643 3751 | No No | 188 195 | Yes Yes | 59 60 | Yes Yes |
| | | | INU | | | 00 | |
| Maidstone 013D | Shepway South | 3768 | No | 198 | Yes | 61 | |
| Thanet 012C | Sir Moses Montefiore | 3779 | No | 199 | Yes | 62 | |
| Canterbury 007B | Gorrell | 3814 | No | 202 | | 63 | Yes |
| Sevenoaks 002A | Swanley St Mary's | 3820 | No | 203 | Yes | 64 | |
| Thanet 003B | Margate Central | 3834 | No | 204 | Yes | 65 | Yes |
| Thanet 004B | Dane Valley | 3884 | No | 208 | Yes | 66 | Yes |
| Maidstone 013E | Shepway South | 3928 | No | 212 | Yes | 67 | Yes |
| Shepway 004E | Folkestone Harbour | 3953 | No | 214 | Yes | 68 | Yes |
| Canterbury 001B | Heron | 3968 | No | 215 | Yes | 69 | Yes |
| Dover 013A | Maxton, Elms Vale and Priory | 4019 | No | 218 | Yes | 70 | Yes |
| Dover 013D | Tower Hamlets | 4137 | No | 225 | Yes | 71 | Yes |
| Dover 011A | Buckland | 4155 | No | 226 | Yes | 72 | Yes |
| Sevenoaks 002B | Swanley St Mary's | 4324 | No | 234 | Yes | 73 | Yes |
| Dover 013E | Town and Pier | 4397 | No | 241 | Yes | 74 | Yes |
| Dartford 009A | Princes | 4464 | No | 245 | Yes | 75 | Yes |
| Canterbury 001C | Heron | 4469 | No | 246 | Yes | 76 | Yes |
| Maidstone 009C | High Street | 4490 | No | 240 | Yes | 70 | Yes |
| Gravesham 002F | Pelham | 4555 | No | 253 | Yes | 78 | Yes |
| Canterbury 009D | Seasalter | 4715 | No | 263 | | 79 | Yes |
| Canterbury 001A | Heron | 4726 | No | 266 | Yes | 80 | Yes |
| | | | | | | | |
| Dover 011H | Tower Hamlets | 4848 | No | 271 | Yes | 81 | |
| Canterbury 011A | Northgate | 4869 | No | 273 | Yes | 82 | |
| Shepway 003A | Folkestone East | 4936 | No | 279 | Yes | 83 | Yes |
| Thanet 016A | Central Harbour Victoria | 5057 | No No | 288 | Yes | 84 | Yes |
| Ashford 007F | VICTOTIA | 5083 | No | 290 | Yes | 85 | Yes |
| Shepway 004B | Folkestone Foord | 5084 | No | 291 | | 86 | Yes |
| Ashford 005A | Aylesford Green | 5117 | No | 294 | | 87 | |
| Dover 006C | Aylesham | 5134 | No | 296 | | 88 | |
| Swale 014F | Watling | 5242 | No | 301 | | 89 | Yes |
| Swale 003A | Minster Cliffs | 5251 | No | 302 | Yes | 90 | Yes |

Further information about the English Indices of Deprivation can be found from the Department for Communities and Local Government website

Using information from the Office for National Statistics Claimant Count this bulletin looks at the total number of people claiming either Jobseekers Allowance or Universal Credit **principally for the reason of being unemployed**. It also looks at the age profile of claimants, in particular at youth unemployment which is defined as those aged 18 to 24.



| | | Dec 2018 | Change since N | lov 2018 | Change since | Dec 2017 |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Ashford | 1,710 | 2.2% | 70 | 4.3% | 410 | 31.5% |
| Canterbury | 1,850 | 1.8% | 140 | 8.2% | 495 | 36.5% |
| Dartford | 930 | 1.4% | 70 | 8.1% | 165 | 21.6% |
| Dover | 2,405 | 3.5% | 70 | 3.0% | 470 | 24.3% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,885 | 2.9% | 65 | 3.6% | 445 | 30.9% |
| Gravesham | 1,595 | 2.4% | 15 | 0.9% | 260 | 19.5% |
| Maidstone | 1,180 | 1.1% | 0 | 0.0% | -30 | -2.5% |
| Sevenoaks | 575 | 0.8% | 60 | 11.7% | 45 | 8.5% |
| Swale | 2,780 | 3.1% | 5 | 0.2% | 805 | 40.8% |
| Thanet | 4,275 | 5.2% | 65 | 1.5% | 965 | 29.2% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 660 | 0.8% | 5 | 0.8% | -90 | -12.0% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 555 | 0.8% | -15 | -2.6% | -65 | -10.5% |
| Medway | 4,145 | 2.3% | 230 | 5.9% | 880 | 27.0% |
| Kent | 20,400 | 2.2% | 550 | 2.8% | 3,875 | 23.4% |
| | | | | | | |

Kent unemployment headlines December 2018

The unemployment rate in Kent is 2.2%. This is below the rate for Great Britain (2.4%).

20,400 people were claiming unemployment benefits in Kent. This has increased since last month.

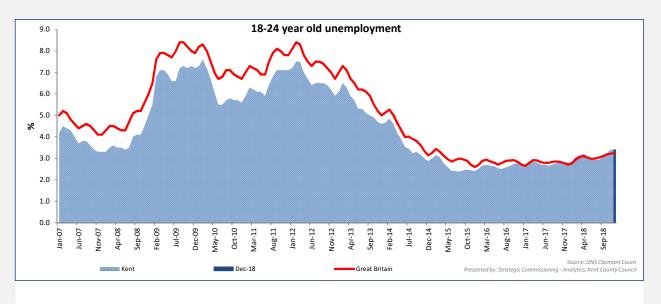
Thanet has the highest unemployment rate at 5.2%. Sevenoaks has the lowest unemployment rate at 0.8%.

The 18-24 year old unemployment rate in Kent is 3.4%. They account for 21.1% of all unemployed people in the area

Thanet has the highest 18-24 year old unemployment rate in the South East at 8%.

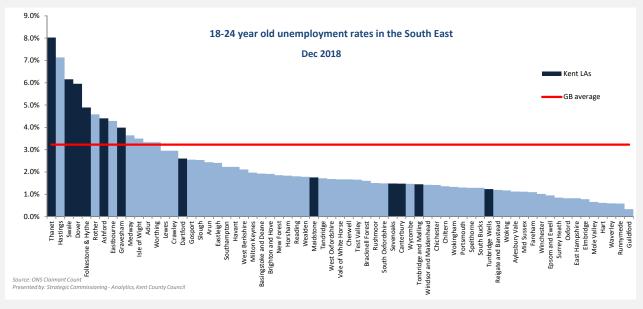
| Unemploym | ent by age grou | ıp | Change | since | Change | since | |
|-----------|-----------------|------|--------|-------|--------|----------|--|
| Kent | ent Dec 2018 | | Nov 2 | 2018 | Dec 20 | Dec 2017 | |
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | |
| 18-24 | 4,305 | 3.4% | 5 | 0.1% | 780 | 22.1% | |
| 25-49 | 10,335 | 2.1% | 380 | 3.8% | 2,150 | 26.3% | |
| 50-64 | 5,705 | 1.9% | 165 | 3.0% | 920 | 19.2% | |

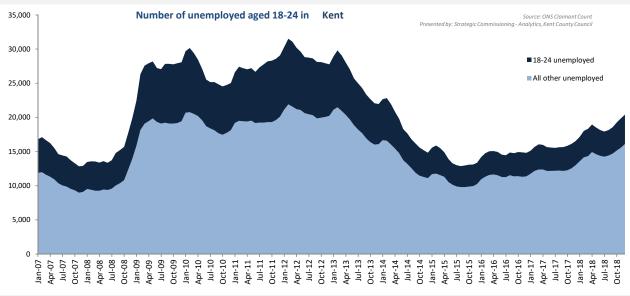
| December 2018 | | Number | | | Rate | |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 |
| Ashford | 395 | 835 | 470 | 4.4% | 2.1% | 1.9% |
| Canterbury | 410 | 925 | 510 | 1.5% | 2.0% | 1.8% |
| Dartford | 200 | 515 | 210 | 2.6% | 1.3% | 1.1% |
| Dover | 500 | 1200 | 695 | 5.9% | 3.7% | 2.8% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 375 | 915 | 595 | 4.9% | 2.8% | 2.6% |
| Gravesham | 320 | 825 | 445 | 4.0% | 2.3% | 2.3% |
| Maidstone | 210 | 625 | 340 | 1.8% | 1.1% | 1.1% |
| Sevenoaks | 110 | 280 | 180 | 1.5% | 0.8% | 0.7% |
| Swale | 705 | 1340 | 730 | 6.1% | 2.9% | 2.5% |
| Thanet | 860 | 2275 | 1140 | 8.0% | 5.7% | 4.1% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 130 | 315 | 215 | 1.4% | 0.8% | 0.9% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 90 | 290 | 170 | 1.2% | 0.8% | 0.7% |
| Kent | 4305 | 10335 | 5705 | 3.4% | 2.1% | 1.9% |
| Medway | 885 | 2195 | 1055 | 3.6% | 2.3% | 2.1% |

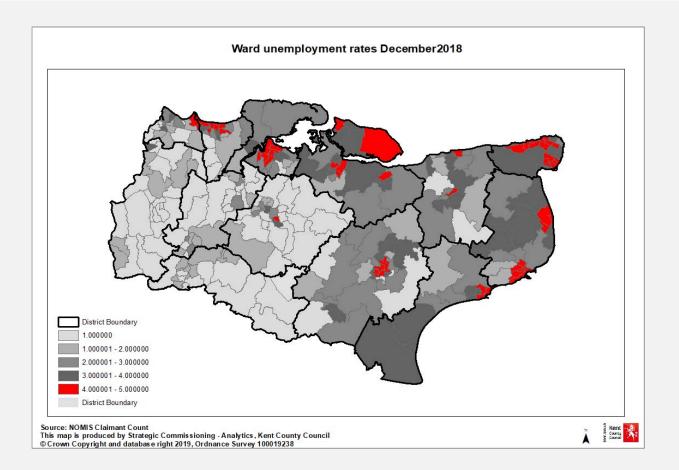


| | | | Change since N | lov 2018 | Change since D | ec 2017 |
|----------------------|---------|------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| 18-24 Unemployment | Number | Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Kent | 4,305 | 3.4% | 5 | 0.1% | 780 | 22.1% |
| Great Britain | 180,715 | 3.2% | 385 | 0.2% | 29,135 | 19.2% |

| Unemployment by | Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|---|------------|----------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| December 2018 | 18 Kent | | Great | Great Britain | | | | | | |
| | | % of all | % of all | | | | | | | |
| | Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 4,305 | 21.1% | 180,715 | 18.9% | | | | | | |
| 25-49 | 10,335 | 50.7% | 519,815 | 54.3% | | | | | | |
| 50-64 | 5,705 | 28.0% | 253,250 | 26.5% | | | | | | |







This workbook looks at the total number of people claiming either Jobseekers Allowance or Universal Credit principally for the reason of being unemployed. It also looks at the age profile of claimants, in particular at youth unemployment which is defined as those aged 18 to 24.

This workbook uses information from a dataset called The Claimant Count by Sex and Age. This experimental series counts the number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance plus those who claim Universal Credit who are out of work. The dataset currently includes some out of work claimants of Universal Credit who are not required to look for work; for example, due to illness or disability. Therefore this dataset is considered experimental and the results should be interpreted with caution.

Unemployment rates are calculated using the Office for National Statistics Mid-year Population Estimates 2001-2017. The resident working age population is defined as all males and females aged 16-64. These denominators will be updated annually with the ONS mid-year population estimates.

Data back to December 2014 were revised by ONS on 18th October 2017. This bulletin contains these revisions and therefore supersedes any previously released data.

Introduction of Universal Credit

Since 2013 the roll out of Universal Credit has progressed across across the UK. Universal Credit will replace a number of means-tested benefits including the means-tested element of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA).

From April 2015 Universal Credit started to be rolled out within Kent. It is now available in all Jobcentre areas in Kent & Medway. Initially it was only available to single claimants without a partner and without child dependents however in 2017 the full roll out of Universal Credit to all claimant types began. The following table shows the planned roll out within Kent districts.

As announced in June 2018 the government will start to migrate existing claimants of the benefits that are being replaced to Universal Credit early in 2019. It hopes to migrate all existing benefit claimants to Universal Credit by March 2023.

| out | Job Centre Plus Office | District Served |
|--------|------------------------|---------------------|
| May-17 | Dover | Dover |
| Jul-17 | Margate | Thanet |
| Jul-17 | Ramsgate | Thanet |
| Dec-17 | Sheerness | Swale |
| Dec-17 | Sittingbourne | Swale |
| Feb-18 | Gravesend | Gravesham |
| Feb-18 | Gravesend | Sevenoaks (part) |
| Feb-18 | Folkestone | Folkestone & Hythe |
| Feb-18 | Chatham | Medway |
| Mar-18 | Ashford | Ashford |
| Apr-18 | Canterbury | Canterbury |
| Apr-18 | Hernebay | Canterbury |
| Apr-18 | Whitstable | Canterbury |
| May-18 | Dartford | Dartford |
| May-18 | Dartford | Sevenoaks (part) |
| Aug-18 | Maidstone | Maidstone |
| Aug-18 | Tonbridge | Tonbridge & Malling |
| Aug-18 | Tonbridge | Tunbridge Wells |

For more information on Universal Credit: https://www.gov.uk/universal-credit

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UK Business Counts 2018 Information on businesses in Kent

Related documents

Business Demography – Looking at the counts business activity during the course of the whole of the financial year

Construction Industries in Kent – the number of construction businesses in Kent and the people employed in the sector

Creative Industries in Kent

 the number of creative businesses in Kent and the people employed in the sector

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The UK Business data is published annually by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) and is based on output from the VAT and PAYE administrative systems.

The information provided by the UK Business dataset gives a snap shot of businesses and is broken down by size band, industry, turnover and age of business.

An additional dataset from ONS is the Business Demography dataset. This is also based on VAT and PAYE data but this information measures any activity during the course of the year, so leads to slightly higher counts of businesses. It provides information on business births, deaths and survival rates. Information on this dataset can be found in the bulletin "Business Demography"

Kent Summary

- As at March 2018 there were 61,255 enterprises in Kent
- Kent has a significantly higher proportion of enterprises (16.3%) in the wholesale industry than is seen nationally (12.4%)
- The highest proportion of enterprises in Kent (17.6%) are within the Professional, scientific and technical sector
- The majority of enterprises in Kent (89.7%) are micro enterprises (with 0-9 employees)
- The majority of enterprises in Kent (99.3%) are classed as companies which operate within the private sector.
- 62.7% of enterprises in Kent have a turnover of over £100k



Introduction

The UK Business data is produced from a snapshot of the Inter Departmental Business Register (IDBR) - usually taken during March - and provides the basis for the Office for National Statistics (ONS) to conduct surveys of businesses.

The main administrative sources for the IDBR are VAT trader and PAYE employer information passed to the ONS by HM Revenue & Customs under the Value Added Tax Act 1994 for VAT traders and the Finance Act 1969 for PAYE employers; details of incorporated businesses are also passed to ONS by Companies House. ONS Survey data and survey information from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment – Northern Ireland (DETINI) and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) farms register provide auxiliary information. Construction statistics formerly produced by the Department for Business Innovation & Skills are now produced by ONS.

The IDBR combines the information from the three administrative sources with this survey data in a statistical register comprising over two million enterprises. These comprehensive administrative sources combined with the survey data contribute to the coverage on the IDBR, which is one of its main strengths, representing nearly 99 per cent of UK economic activity.

The latest data is published for 2018 and is based upon the 2007 revision to the Standard Industrial Classification UKSIC (2007). Detailed information about the types of industry which make up each of the industrial sectors is available from the UK Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities published by the Office for National Statistics.

This bulletin looks at the main tables available from the UK Business data, which relate to VAT/PAYE enterprises.

This bulletin will be updated in Autumn 2019.

Analysis

Enterprises by Industry

The UK Business data shows us the number of enterprises by broad industrial group.

Overall Kent has a similar profile to England and Wales although does show a significantly higher proportion of enterprises in the Construction Industry and lower proportions in Agriculture and Fishing, Retail and Information & Communications industries. This is shown in Chart 1.

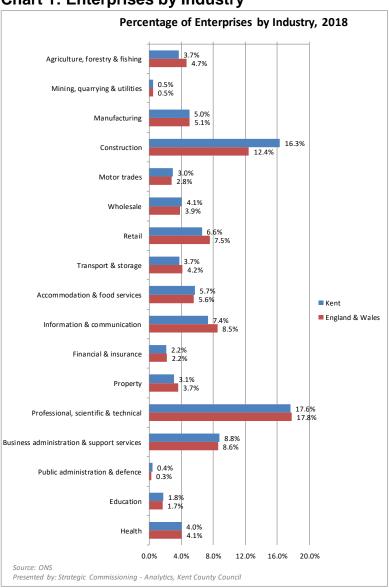


Chart 1: Enterprises by Industry

Tables 1 and 2 show the number and percentage of businesses by industry in Kent local authority districts and Kent as a whole. Regional and national figures are also presented for comparison.

Table 1: Number Of Vat And/or Paye Based Enterprises In 2018 By Broad Industrial Group

UK SIC 2007

| | ı | | | | | | | , | JK SIC 200 | ′ | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|---------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------|--------|---|-----------|
| | Agriculture, forestry & fishing | Mining, quarrying & utilities | Manufacturing | Construction | Motor trades | Wholesale | Retail | Transport & storage | Accommodation & food services | Information & communication | Financial & insurance | Property | Professional, scientific & technical | Business administration & support services | Public administration & defence | Education | Health | Arts, entertainment, recreation & other services | Total |
| Ashford | 410 | 30 | 330 | 870 | 170 | 475 | 370 | 160 | 250 | 405 | 345 | 210 | 975 | 535 | 40 | 85 | 240 | 305 | 6,205 |
| Canterbury | 175 | 20 | 230 | 765 | 150 | 205 | 440 | 130 | 410 | 355 | 85 | 195 | 905 | 425 | 15 | 105 | 255 | 395 | 5,265 |
| Dartford | 30 | 20 | 220 | 850 | 135 | 170 | 245 | 245 | 200 | 425 | 70 | 110 | 750 | 360 | 10 | 60 | 150 | 195 | 4,240 |
| Dover | 195 | 20 | 170 | 545 | 115 | 100 | 275 | 150 | 280 | 165 | 40 | 75 | 510 | 240 | 40 | 80 | 165 | 215 | 3,370 |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 205 | 10 | 165 | 575 | 120 | 110 | 295 | 120 | 335 | 210 | 40 | 125 | 610 | 295 | 15 | 60 | 155 | 235 | 3,670 |
| Gravesham | 45 | 15 | 195 | 805 | 115 | 105 | 260 | 320 | 235 | 250 | 45 | 105 | 545 | 340 | 5 | 70 | 165 | 205 | 3,830 |
| Maidstone | 300 | 40 | 370 | 1,360 | 235 | 295 | 395 | 390 | 320 | 465 | 125 | 230 | 1,260 | 620 | 30 | 125 | 305 | 420 | 7,295 |
| Sevenoaks | 200 | 25 | 310 | 990 | 200 | 275 | 370 | 135 | 250 | 625 | 160 | 245 | 1,390 | 655 | 25 | 115 | 205 | 400 | 6,580 |
| Swale | 230 | 40 | 325 | 920 | 185 | 170 | 315 | 250 | 325 | 250 | 60 | 135 | 655 | 385 | 25 | 80 | 195 | 275 | 4,820 |
| Thanet | 75 | 25 | 240 | 670 | 125 | 110 | 380 | 130 | 400 | 215 | 60 | 110 | 475 | 290 | 10 | 85 | 175 | 285 | 3,865 |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 135 | 30 | 270 | 935 | 165 | 245 | 280 | 170 | 235 | 515 | 150 | 165 | 1,200 | 570 | 25 | 105 | 230 | 320 | 5,745 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 285 | 20 | 245 | 700 | 115 | 255 | 410 | 95 | 265 | 635 | 145 | 210 | 1,525 | 670 | 20 | 120 | 245 | 410 | 6,365 |
| Kent | 2,280 | 300 | 3,075 | 9,990 | 1,830 | 2,515 | 4,035 | 2,295 | 3,500 | 4,515 | 1,320 | 1,915 | 10,800 | 5,380 | 260 | 1,095 | 2,480 | 3,660 | 61,255 |
| Medway | 75 | 40 | 450 | 1,785 | 275 | 320 | 615 | 505 | 475 | 575 | 110 | 210 | 1,260 | 685 | 10 | 170 | 410 | 450 | 8,410 |
| Kent + Medway | 2,355 | 340 | 3,525 | 11,770 | 2,105 | 2,835 | 4,645 | 2,805 | 3,975 | 5,085 | 1,430 | 2,125 | 12,060 | 6,065 | 270 | 1,270 | 2,890 | 4,110 | 69,660 |
| South East LEP | 6,010 | 800 | 9,020 | 29,865 | 5,330 | 6,780 | 11,370 | 6,750 | 8,930 | 12,740 | 3,325 | 5,500 | 28,460 | 14,520 | 585 | 3,055 | 6,805 | 10,085 | 169,930 |
| South East Region | 11,830 | 1,715 | 18,725 | 54,485 | 11,045 | 15,005 | 27,200 | 12,615 | 19,080 | 44,650 | 8,100 | 13,475 | 81,230 | 35,265 | 1,200 | 7,475 | 15,475 | 25,985 | 404,555 |
| ENGLAND AND WALES | 113,520 | 12,145 | 122,650 | 301,145 | 68,585 | 94,070 | 182,665 | 101,105 | 135,270 | 206,985 | 54,130 | 88,610 | 430,910 | 208,365 | 7,210 | 41,345 | 99,120 | 153,755 | 2,421,590 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Source: ONS

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Table 2: Percentage Of Vat And/or Paye Based Enterprises In 2018 By Broad Industrial Group

UK SIC 2007

| | 1 | OK 31C 2007 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|--------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|-----------|--------|---|
| | Agriculture, forestry & fishing | Mining, quarrying & utilities | Manufacturing | Construction | Motor trades | Wholesale | Retail | Transport & storage | Accommodation & food services | Information & communication | Financial & insurance | Property | Professional, scientific & technical | Business administration & support services | Public administration & defence | Education | Health | Arts, entertainment, recreation & other services |
| Ashford | 6.6 | 0.5 | 5.3 | 14.0 | 2.7 | 7.7 | 6.0 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 6.5 | 5.6 | 3.4 | 15.7 | 8.6 | 0.6 | 1.4 | 3.9 | 4.9 |
| Canterbury | 3.3 | 0.4 | 4.4 | 14.5 | 2.8 | 3.9 | 8.4 | 2.5 | 7.8 | 6.7 | 1.6 | 3.7 | 17.2 | 8.1 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 4.8 | 7.5 |
| Dartford | 0.7 | 0.5 | 5.2 | 20.0 | 3.2 | 4.0 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 4.7 | 10.0 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 17.7 | 8.5 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 3.5 | 4.6 |
| Dover | 5.8 | 0.6 | 5.0 | 16.2 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 8.2 | 4.5 | 8.3 | 4.9 | 1.2 | 2.2 | 15.1 | 7.1 | 1.2 | 2.4 | 4.9 | 6.4 |
| Gravesham | 5.6 | 0.3 | 4.5 | 15.7 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 8.0 | 3.3 | 9.1 | 5.7 | 1.1 | 3.4 | 16.6 | 8.0 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 4.2 | 6.4 |
| Maidstone | 1.2 | 0.4 | 5.1 | 21.0 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 6.8 | 8.4 | 6.1 | 6.5 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 14.2 | 8.9 | 0.1 | 1.8 | 4.3 | 5.4 |
| Sevenoaks | 4.1 | 0.5 | 5.1 | 18.6 | 3.2 | 4.0 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 4.4 | 6.4 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 17.3 | 8.5 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 4.2 | 5.8 |
| Shepway | 3.0 | 0.4 | 4.7 | 15.0 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 5.6 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 9.5 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 21.1 | 10.0 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 6.1 |
| Swale | 4.8 | 0.8 | 6.7 | 19.1 | 3.8 | 3.5 | 6.5 | 5.2 | 6.7 | 5.2 | 1.2 | 2.8 | 13.6 | 8.0 | 0.5 | 1.7 | 4.0 | 5.7 |
| Thanet | 1.9 | 0.6 | 6.2 | 17.3 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 9.8 | 3.4 | 10.3 | 5.6 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 12.3 | 7.5 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 4.5 | 7.4 |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 2.3 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 16.3 | 2.9 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 9.0 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 20.9 | 9.9 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 4.0 | 5.6 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 4.5 | 0.3 | 3.8 | 11.0 | 1.8 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 1.5 | 4.2 | 10.0 | 2.3 | 3.3 | 24.0 | 10.5 | 0.3 | 1.9 | 3.8 | 6.4 |
| Kent | 3.7 | 0.5 | 5.0 | 16.3 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 6.6 | 3.7 | 5.7 | 7.4 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 17.6 | 8.8 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 4.0 | 6.0 |
| Medway | 0.9 | 0.5 | 5.4 | 21.2 | 3.3 | 3.8 | 7.3 | 6.0 | 5.6 | 6.8 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 15.0 | 8.1 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 4.9 | 5.4 |
| Kent + Medway | 3.4 | 0.5 | 5.1 | 16.9 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 6.7 | 4.0 | 5.7 | 7.3 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 17.3 | 8.7 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 4.1 | 5.9 |
| South East LEP | 3.5 | 0.5 | 5.3 | 17.6 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 6.7 | 4.0 | 5.3 | 7.5 | 2.0 | 3.2 | 16.7 | 8.5 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 4.0 | 5.9 |
| South East Region | 2.9 | 0.4 | 4.6 | 13.5 | 2.7 | 3.7 | 6.7 | 3.1 | 4.7 | 11.0 | 2.0 | 3.3 | 20.1 | 8.7 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 3.8 | 6.4 |
| ENGLAND AND WALES | 4.7 | 0.5 | 5.1 | 12.4 | 2.8 | 3.9 | 7.5 | 4.2 | 5.6 | 8.5 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 17.8 | 8.6 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 4.1 | 6.3 |

Source: ONS

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Enterprises by employee size

The majority of enterprises are classed as micro businesses i.e. they have 0 - 9 employees. In Kent 89.7% of enterprises are classed as micro, 89.5% in England and Wales.

Chart 2 shows the proportion of enterprises in Kent and England and Wales by employment size.

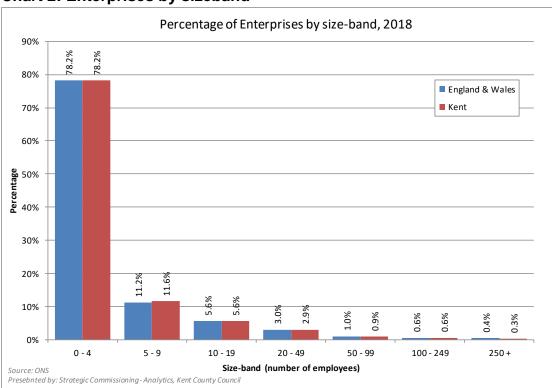


Chart 2: Enterprises by sizeband

Tables 3 and 4 show an even greater breakdown of the number and percentage of enterprises by the number of employees.

The data shows that while the majority of enterprises are micro businesses employing up to 9 people, most of these actually have 0 - 4 employees (87.1% of micro businesses in Kent).

Kent has the same proportion of enterprises with 0-4 employees, and a slightly higher proportion with 5-9 employees than is seen nationally.

Table 3: Number Of Vat And/or Paye Based Enterprises In 2016 By Employment Size

| | 1 | | | Employr | nent size | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| | 0 - 4 | 5 - 9 | 10 - 19 | 20 - 49 | 96 - 09 | 100 - 249 | 250+ | TOTAL |
| Ashford | 4,995 | 670 | 285 | 160 | 50 | 25 | 20 | 6,205 |
| Canterbury | 3,990 | 670 | 320 | 175 | 55 | 25 | 30 | 5,265 |
| Dartford | 3,395 | 415 | 210 | 120 | 50 | 30 | 20 | 4,240 |
| Dover | 2,530 | 460 | 215 | 105 | 35 | 25 | 5 | 3,370 |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,800 | 490 | 205 | 120 | 30 | 15 | 10 | 3,670 |
| Gravesham | 3,050 | 450 | 170 | 100 | 25 | 20 | 10 | 3,830 |
| Maidstone | 5,690 | 820 | 435 | 200 | 70 | 50 | 30 | 7,295 |
| Sevenoaks | 5,230 | 725 | 345 | 180 | 55 | 25 | 20 | 6,580 |
| Swale | 3,670 | 610 | 300 | 135 | 45 | 40 | 15 | 4,820 |
| Thanet | 2,935 | 505 | 230 | 125 | 30 | 30 | 5 | 3,865 |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 4,495 | 610 | 335 | 195 | 60 | 30 | 25 | 5,745 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 5,090 | 645 | 350 | 190 | 55 | 25 | 10 | 6,365 |
| Kent | 54,540 | 7,995 | 3,875 | 2,000 | 635 | 390 | 230 | 61,255 |
| Medway | 47,875 | 7,080 | 3,400 | 1,795 | 565 | 340 | 200 | 8,410 |
| Kent + Medway | 6,665 | 915 | 475 | 205 | 70 | 50 | 35 | 69,660 |
| South East LEP | 133,990 | 18,970 | 9,280 | 4,775 | 1,540 | 865 | 510 | 169,930 |
| South East Region | 321,210 | 42,680 | 21,610 | 11,480 | 3,765 | 2,270 | 1,535 | 404,555 |
| ENGLAND AND WALES | 1,893,935 | 272,190 | 136,415 | 72,265 | 23,995 | 13,490 | 9,305 | 2,421,590 |

Source: ONS

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Table 4: Percentages Of Vat And/or Paye Based Enterprises In 2018 By Employment Size

| | | | | Employr | nent size | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|
| | 0 - 4 | 5 - 9 | 10 - 19 | 20 - 49 | 96 - 05 | 100 - 249 | 250 + | TOTAL |
| Ashford | 80.5 | 10.8 | 4.6 | 2.6 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 100 |
| Canterbury | 75.8 | 12.7 | 6.1 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 100 |
| Dartford | 80.1 | 9.8 | 5.0 | 2.8 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100 |
| Dover | 75.1 | 13.6 | 6.4 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 100 |
| Gravesham | 76.3 | 13.4 | 5.6 | 3.3 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 100 |
| Maidstone | 79.6 | 11.7 | 4.4 | 2.6 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 100 |
| Sevenoaks | 78.0 | 11.2 | 6.0 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 100 |
| Shepway | 79.5 | 11.0 | 5.2 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 100 |
| Swale | 76.1 | 12.7 | 6.2 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 100 |
| Thanet | 75.9 | 13.1 | 6.0 | 3.2 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 100 |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 78.2 | 10.6 | 5.8 | 3.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 100 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 80.0 | 10.1 | 5.5 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 100 |
| Kent | 89.0 | 13.1 | 6.3 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 100 |
| Medway | 569.3 | 84.2 | 40.4 | 21.3 | 6.7 | 4.0 | 2.4 | 100 |
| Kent + Medway | 9.6 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100 |
| South East LEP | 78.9 | 11.2 | 5.5 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 100 |
| South East Region | 79.4 | 10.5 | 5.3 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 100 |
| ENGLAND AND WALES | 78.2 | 11.2 | 5.6 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 100 |

Source: ONS

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Enterprise by status

The data also shows the number of enterprises by legal status. The legal status of units is classified by ONS in accordance with National Accounts Sector Classifications. All enterprises engage in financial transactions, paying out and receiving money for reasons such as buying and selling goods and services, paying taxes, or collecting tax revenues. Using information received from Companies House and the administrative sources from HM Revenue & Customs, the National Accounts Sector Classification determines whether a body or enterprise is in the private or public sector, and if public, whether they are government bodies or public corporations, and whether certain transactions count as taxes or service fees.

Chart 3 shows the proportion of enterprises by legal status in Kent compared to England and Wales in 2018.

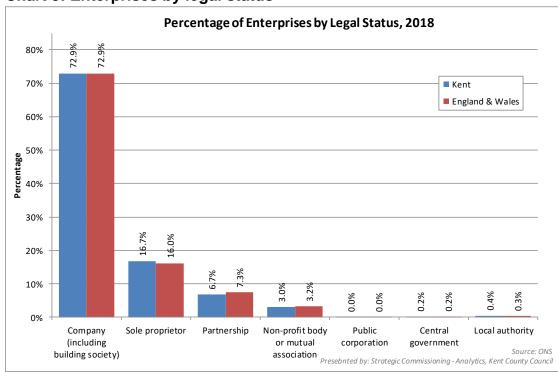


Chart 3: Enterprises by legal status

The majority of enterprises are private sector companies. In Kent they account for 72.9% of all enterprises, the same as England and Wales as a whole.

Kent has a slightly higher proportion of sole proprietor enterprises (16.7%) than is seen nationally and a slightly lower proportion of partnerships (6.7%).

Tables 5 and 6 show the legal status of enterprises in Kent local authority districts and Kent as a whole. They also present information at regional and national level for comparison.

Table 5: Number Of Vat And/or Paye Based Enterprises In 2018 By Employment Status

| | | Private s | ector | | P | | | |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------|-------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | Company (including building society) | Sole proprietor | Partnership | Non-profit body or mutual association | Public corporation | Central government | Local authority | TOTAL |
| Ashford | 4,250 | 985 | 500 | 420 | 0 | 10 | 40 | 6,205 |
| Canterbury | 3,625 | 990 | 440 | 180 | 0 | 10 | 20 | 5,265 |
| Dartford | 3,455 | 505 | 140 | 115 | 0 | 15 | 10 | 4,240 |
| Dover | 2,015 | 815 | 385 | 105 | 5 | 10 | 40 | 3,370 |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,450 | 780 | 325 | 90 | 0 | 10 | 15 | 3,670 |
| Gravesham | 3,020 | 555 | 160 | 75 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 3,830 |
| Maidstone | 5,415 | 1,170 | 485 | 175 | 0 | 10 | 35 | 7,295 |
| Sevenoaks | 5,085 | 970 | 345 | 145 | 0 | 5 | 30 | 6,580 |
| Swale | 3,400 | 900 | 350 | 125 | 0 | 15 | 30 | 4,820 |
| Thanet | 2,630 | 800 | 310 | 100 | _ | 15 | 10 | 3,865 |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 4,480 | 795 | 285 | 150 | | 5 | 30 | 5,745 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 4,820 | 950 | 400 | 175 | 0 | 5 | 20 | 6,365 |
| Kent | 44,655 | 10,215 | 4,130 | 1,855 | 5 | 120 | 275 | 61,255 |
| Medway | 6,380 | 1,360 | 410 | 215 | 0 | 30 | 10 | 8,410 |
| Kent + Medway | 51,035 | 11,570 | 4,540 | 2,070 | 5 | 150 | 290 | 69,660 |
| South East LEP | 126,590 | 26,935 | 11,105 | 4,315 | 10 | 360 | 620 | 169,930 |
| South East Region | 307,465 | 59,780 | 23,950 | 11,440 | 15 | 550 | 1,350 | 404,555 |
| ENGLAND AND WALES | 1,766,460 | 388,100 | 177,770 | 76,910 | 160 | 3,890 | 8,300 | 2,421,590 |

Source: ONS

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Turnover

Turnover figures provided to ONS for the majority of traders is based on VAT returns for a 12 month period. For 2018 this relates to a 12 month period covering the financial year 2017/2018. For other records, in particular members of VAT group registrations, turnover may relate to an earlier period or survey data.

For traders who have registered more recently, turnover represents the estimate made by traders at the time of registration.

The turnover figures on the register generally exclude VAT but include other taxes, such as the revenue duties on alcoholic drinks and tobacco. They represent total UK turnover, including exempt and zero-rated supplies.

Turnover bands shown in the analyses relate to the latest year for which information is available. Traders may be registered below the VAT threshold or may choose not to de-register should their turnover fall below the threshold.

Table 7 shows the VAT registration thresholds since 2004/05.

Table 7 - VAT registration thresholds

| Operative dates | VAT Registration |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Operative dates | Threshold |
| 1 Apr 2004 - 31 Mar 2005 | £58,000 |
| 1 Apr 2005 - 31 Mar 2006 | £60,000 |
| 1 Apr 2006 - 31 Mar 2007 | £61,000 |
| 1 Apr 2007 - 31 Mar 2008 | £64,000 |
| 1 Apr 2008 - 31 Mar 2009 | £67,000 |
| 1 Apr 2009 - 31 Mar 2010 | £68,000 |
| 1 Apr 2010 - 31 Mar 2011 | £70,000 |
| 1 Apr 2011 - 31 Mar 2012 | £73,000 |
| 1 Apr 2012 - 31 Mar 2013 | £77,000 |
| 1 Apr 2013 - 31 Mar 2014 | £79,000 |
| 1 Apr 2014 - 31 Mar 2015 | £81,000 |
| 1 Apr 2015 - 31 March 2016 | £82,000 |
| 1 Apr 2016 - 31 March 2017 | £83,000 |
| 1 Apr 2017 - 31 March 2018 | £85,000 |
| 1 Apr 2018 onwards | £85,000 |

Source: HMRC

33.2% of enterprises in Kent have a turnover of between £100k and £249k. In Kent a higher proportion of enterprises have a turnover of over £100k than is seen nationally. This is shown in chart 4.

Tables 8 and 9 present the turnover data for Kent local authority districts and Kent as a whole. Regional and national figures are also presented for comparison.

Chart 4

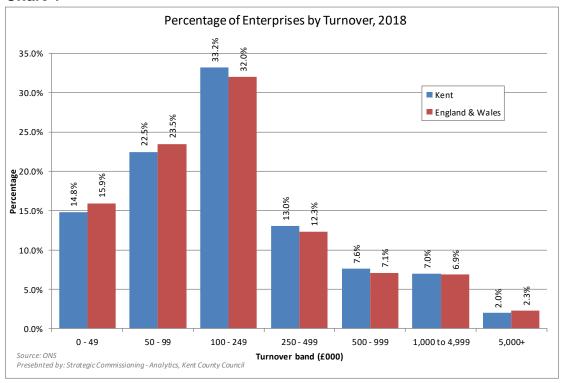


Table 8: Number Of Vat And/or Paye Based Enterprises In 2018 By Turnover Sizeband

| | • | | Ţ | urnover size | (£ thousand | | | |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|--------|-----------|
| | 0 to 49 | 50 to 99 | 100 to 199 | 200 to 499 | 500 to 999 | 1,000 to 4,999 | 5,000+ | TOTAL |
| Ashford | 1,225 | 1,295 | 1,850 | 810 | 525 | 405 | 95 | 6,205 |
| Canterbury | 735 | 1,195 | 1,780 | 685 | 415 | 360 | 95 | 5,265 |
| Dartford | 575 | 1,080 | 1,395 | 485 | 275 | 310 | 120 | 4,240 |
| Dover | 510 | 720 | 1,095 | 475 | 285 | 240 | 50 | 3,370 |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 570 | 845 | 1,275 | 460 | 245 | 230 | 45 | 3,670 |
| Gravesham | 585 | 970 | 1,245 | 480 | 250 | 250 | 55 | 3,830 |
| Maidstone | 1,115 | 1,605 | 2,330 | 975 | 585 | 525 | 160 | 7,295 |
| Sevenoaks | 875 | 1,370 | 2,320 | 845 | 515 | 495 | 165 | 6,580 |
| Swale | 675 | 1,150 | 1,495 | 665 | 400 | 340 | 90 | 4,820 |
| Thanet | 485 | 905 | 1,355 | 545 | 280 | 245 | 55 | 3,865 |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 800 | 1,235 | 1,930 | 740 | 420 | 460 | 160 | 5,745 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 920 | 1,390 | 2,235 | 825 | 450 | 415 | 130 | 6,365 |
| Kent | 9,070 | 13,760 | 20,310 | 7,980 | 4,650 | 4,270 | 1,220 | 61,255 |
| Medway | 1,245 | 2,145 | 2,610 | 1,030 | 660 | 565 | 160 | 8,410 |
| Kent + Medway | 10,315 | 15,900 | 22,920 | 9,010 | 5,310 | 4,835 | 1,370 | 69,660 |
| South East LEP | 24,545 | 39,210 | 56,695 | 21,850 | 12,525 | 11,740 | 3,365 | 169,930 |
| South East Region | 62,330 | 92,600 | 135,775 | 49,070 | 28,370 | 27,375 | 9,040 | 404,555 |
| ENGLAND AND WALES | 386,205 | 568,870 | 774,035 | 298,325 | 171,895 | 166,485 | 55,770 | 2,421,590 |

Source: ONS

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Table 9: Percentage Of Vat And/or Paye Based Enterprises In 2018 By Turnover Sizeband

| | | | Т | Turnover size | (£ thousand | d) | | |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| | 0 to 49 | 50 to 99 | 100 to 199 | 200 to 499 | 500 to 999 | 1,000 to 4,999 | 5,000+ | TOTAL |
| Ashford | 19.7 | 20.9 | 29.8 | 13.1 | 8.5 | 6.5 | 1.5 | 100 |
| Canterbury | 14.0 | 22.7 | 33.8 | 13.0 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 1.8 | 100 |
| Dartford | 13.6 | 25.5 | 32.9 | 11.4 | 6.5 | 7.3 | 2.8 | 100 |
| Dover | 15.1 | 21.4 | 32.5 | 14.1 | 8.5 | 7.1 | 1.5 | 100 |
| Gravesham | 15.5 | 23.0 | 34.7 | 12.5 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 1.2 | 100 |
| Maidstone | 15.3 | 25.3 | 32.5 | 12.5 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 1.4 | 100 |
| Sevenoaks | 15.3 | 22.0 | 31.9 | 13.4 | 8.0 | 7.2 | 2.2 | 100 |
| Shepway | 13.3 | 20.8 | 35.3 | 12.8 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 2.5 | 100 |
| Swale | 14.0 | 23.9 | 31.0 | 13.8 | 8.3 | 7.1 | 1.9 | 100 |
| Thanet | 12.5 | 23.4 | 35.1 | 14.1 | 7.2 | 6.3 | 1.4 | 100 |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 13.9 | 21.5 | 33.6 | 12.9 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 100 |
| Tunbridge Wells | 14.5 | 21.8 | 35.1 | 13.0 | 7.1 | 6.5 | 2.0 | 100 |
| Kent | 14.8 | 22.5 | 33.2 | 13.0 | 7.6 | 7.0 | 2.0 | 100 |
| Medway | 14.8 | 25.5 | 31.0 | 12.2 | 7.8 | 6.7 | 1.9 | 100 |
| Kent + Medway | 14.8 | 22.8 | 32.9 | 12.9 | 7.6 | 6.9 | 2.0 | 100 |
| South East LEP | 14.4 | 23.1 | 33.4 | 12.9 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 2.0 | 100 |
| South East Region | 15.4 | 22.9 | 33.6 | 12.1 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 2.2 | 100 |
| ENGLAND AND WALES | 15.9 | 23.5 | 32.0 | 12.3 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 2.3 | 100 |

Source: ONS

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District Unemployment 2007 to 2019

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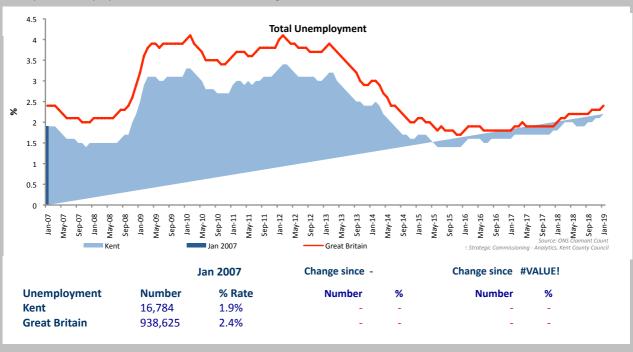
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Using information from the Office for National Statistics Claimant Count this bulletin looks at the total number of people claiming either Jobseekers Allowance or Universal Credit **principally for the reason of being unemployed**. It also looks at the age profile of claimants, in particular at youth unemployment which is defined as those aged 18 to 24.



| | | Jan 2007 | Change since - | | Change since # | VALUE! | |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|----------------|---|----------------|--------|--|
| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % | |
| Ashford | 985 | 1.4% | - | - | - | - | |
| Canterbury | 1,497 | 1.6% | - | - | - | - | |
| Dartford | 1,027 | 1.7% | - | - | - | - | |
| Dover | 1,707 | 2.5% | - | - | - | - | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,852 | 2.9% | - | - | - | - | |
| Gravesham | 1,579 | 2.5% | - | - | - | - | |
| Maidstone | 1,311 | 1.4% | - | - | - | - | |
| Sevenoaks | 713 | 1.0% | - | - | - | - | |
| Swale | 2,061 | 2.5% | - | - | - | - | |
| Thanet | 2,613 | 3.3% | - | - | - | - | |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 808 | 1.1% | - | - | - | - | |
| Tunbridge Wells | 631 | 0.9% | - | - | - | - | |
| Medway | 4,387 | 2.6% | - | - | - | - | |
| Kent | 16,784 | 1.9% | - | - | - | - | |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2007

The unemployment rate in Kent is 1.9%. This is below the rate for Great Britain (2.4%).

16,784 people were claiming unemployment benefits in Kent. This has fallen since last month

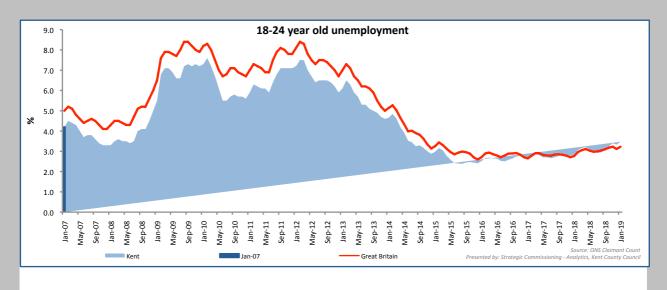
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Thanet has the highest 18-24 year old unemployment rate in the South East at 7.8%.

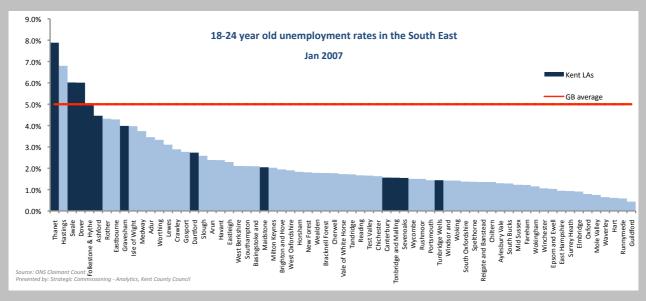
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|-------------------|----------------|------|--------|-------|----------|------|--|
| Kent | Jan 2007 | | Apr 2 | 007 | #VALUE! | | |
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | |
| 18-24 | 4,900 | 4.2% | -5 | -0.1% | - | - | |
| 25-49 | 8,315 | 1.8% | 345 | 4.3% | - | - | |
| 50-64 | 3,300 | 1.2% | 210 | 6.8% | - | - | |

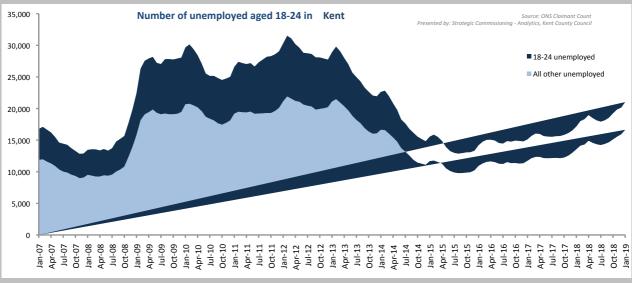
| January 2007 | | Number | | Rate | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | | |
| Ashford | 290 | 510 | 155 | 3.4% | 1.3% | 0.7% | | |
| Canterbury | 475 | 685 | 315 | 2.3% | 1.6% | 1.2% | | |
| Dartford | 295 | 515 | 195 | 3.7% | 1.5% | 1.3% | | |
| Dover | 485 | 850 | 345 | 6.0% | 2.5% | 1.6% | | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 500 | 955 | 360 | 6.5% | 2.9% | 1.7% | | |
| Gravesham | 465 | 785 | 310 | 5.4% | 2.3% | 1.8% | | |
| Maidstone | 360 | 685 | 255 | 3.2% | 1.3% | 0.9% | | |
| Sevenoaks | 190 | 330 | 185 | 2.7% | 0.9% | 0.8% | | |
| Swale | 725 | 975 | 335 | 7.1% | 2.2% | 1.3% | | |
| Thanet | 730 | 1295 | 515 | 7.4% | 3.3% | 2.0% | | |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 225 | 400 | 185 | 2.9% | 1.0% | 0.9% | | |
| Tunbridge Wells | 155 | 330 | 140 | 2.1% | 0.9% | 0.7% | | |
| Kent | 4900 | 8315 | 3300 | 4.2% | 1.8% | 1.2% | | |
| Medway | 1255 | 2245 | 825 | 5.2% | 2.5% | 1.8% | | |

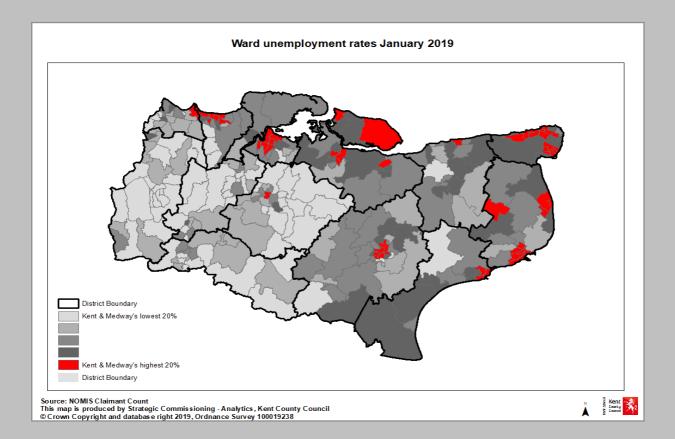


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|----------------------|---------|------|----------------|-------|--------------|---------|
| 18-24 Unemployment | Number | Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Kent | 4,900 | 4.2% | -5 | -0.1% | - | - |
| Great Britain | 275,805 | 5.0% | 10,470 | 3.9% | - | - |

| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|------------------|---------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| January 2007 | Ke | Kent % of all | | Great Britain % of all | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed | | | |
| 18-24 | 4,900 | 29.2% | 275,805 | 29.4% | | | |
| 25-49 | 8,315 | 49.5% | 493,500 | 52.6% | | | |
| 50-64 | 3,300 | 19.7% | 154,185 | 16.4% | | | |







This workbook looks at the total number of people claiming either Jobseekers Allowance or Universal Credit principally for the reason of being unemployed. It also looks at the age profile of claimants, in particular at youth unemployment which is defined as those aged 18 to 24.

This workbook uses information from a dataset called The Claimant Count by Sex and Age. This experimental series counts the number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance plus those who claim Universal Credit who are out of work. The dataset currently includes some out of work claimants of Universal Credit who are not required to look for work; for example, due to illness or disability. Therefore this dataset is considered experimental and the results should be interpreted with caution.

Unemployment rates are calculated using the Office for National Statistics Mid-year Population Estimates 2001-2017. The resident working age population is defined as all males and females aged 16-64. These denominators will be updated annually with the ONS mid-year population estimates.

Data back to December 2014 were revised by ONS on 18th October 2017. This bulletin contains these revisions and therefore supersedes any previously released data.

Introduction of Universal Credit

Since 2013 the roll out of Universal Credit has progressed across across the UK. Universal Credit will replace a number of means-tested benefits including the means-tested element of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA).

From April 2015 Universal Credit started to be rolled out within Kent. It is now available in all Jobcentre areas in Kent & Medway. Initially it was only available to single claimants without a partner and without child dependents however in 2017 the full roll out of Universal Credit to all claimant types began. The following table shows the planned roll out within Kent districts.

As announced in June 2018 the government will start to migrate existing claimants of the benefits that are being replaced to Universal Credit early in 2019. It hopes to migrate all existing benefit claimants to Universal Credit by March 2023.

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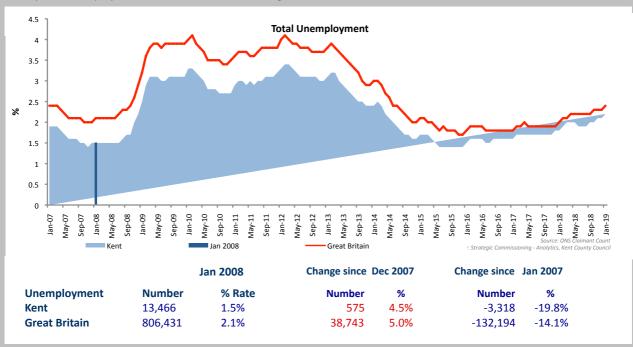
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| Feb-18 | Gravesend | Grave |
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| Feb-18 | Chatham | Medw |
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| Apr-18 | Canterbur y | Cante |
| Apr-18 | Hernebay | Cante |
| Apr-18 | Whitstable | Cante |

For more information on Universal Credit: https://www.gov.uk/universal-credit



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| | | Jan 2008 | Change since [| Dec 2007 | Change since | Jan 2007 |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Ashford | 816 | 1.1% | 39 | 5.0% | -169 | -17.2% |
| Canterbury | 1,201 | 1.3% | 133 | 12.5% | -296 | -19.8% |
| Dartford | 822 | 1.3% | -2 | -0.2% | -205 | -20.0% |
| Dover | 1,292 | 1.9% | 133 | 11.5% | -415 | -24.3% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,446 | 2.2% | 65 | 4.7% | -406 | -21.9% |
| Gravesham | 1,382 | 2.2% | -19 | -1.4% | -197 | -12.5% |
| Maidstone | 976 | 1.0% | -6 | -0.6% | -335 | -25.6% |
| Sevenoaks | 519 | 0.7% | 29 | 5.9% | -194 | -27.2% |
| Swale | 1,666 | 2.0% | 61 | 3.8% | -395 | -19.2% |
| Thanet | 2,142 | 2.7% | 49 | 2.3% | -471 | -18.0% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 642 | 0.9% | 74 | 13.0% | -166 | -20.5% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 562 | 0.8% | 19 | 3.5% | -69 | -10.9% |
| Medway | 3,464 | 2.0% | 148 | 4.5% | -923 | -21.0% |
| Kent | 13,466 | 1.5% | 575 | 4.5% | -3,318 | -19.8% |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2008

The unemployment rate in Kent is 1.5%. This is below the rate for Great Britain (2.1%).

13,466 people were claiming unemployment benefits in Kent. This has increased since last month.

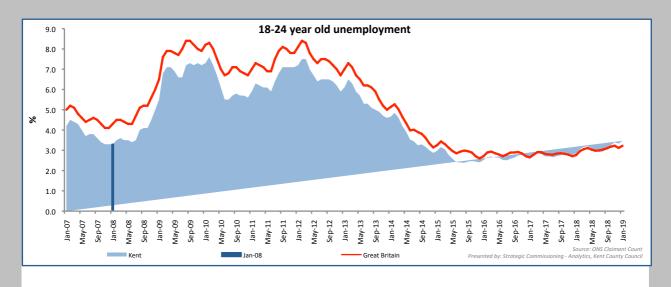
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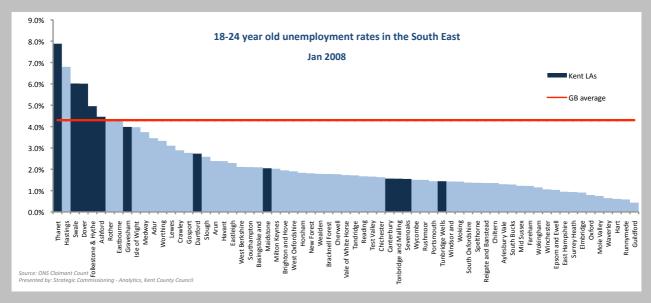
| Unemployme | ent by age gro | oup | Change | since | Change s | ince |
|-------------------|----------------|------|--------|-------|----------|------|
| Kent | Jan 2008 | | #RE | F! | Jan 200 |)7 |
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| 18-24 | 3,950 | 3.3% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 25-49 | 6,765 | 1.4% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 50-64 | 2,510 | 0.9% | 110 | 4.6% | - | _ |

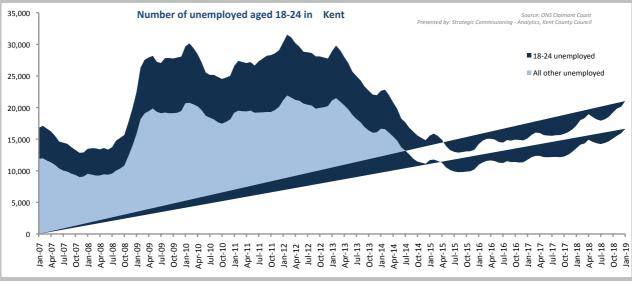
| January 2008 | | Number | | | Rate | | |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | |
| Ashford | #REF! | #REF! | 145 | 2.8% | 1.1% | 0.7% | |
| Canterbury | #REF! | #REF! | 225 | 1.9% | 1.3% | 0.8% | |
| Dartford | #REF! | #REF! | 145 | 2.8% | 1.2% | 1.0% | |
| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 235 | 4.6% | 1.9% | 1.0% | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 295 | 4.6% | 2.3% | 1.4% | |
| Gravesham | #REF! | #REF! | 265 | 4.3% | 2.1% | 1.5% | |
| Maidstone | #REF! | #REF! | 170 | 2.4% | 1.0% | 0.6% | |
| Sevenoaks | #REF! | #REF! | 120 | 1.9% | 0.7% | 0.5% | |
| Swale | #REF! | #REF! | 270 | 5.5% | 1.8% | 1.1% | |
| Thanet | #REF! | #REF! | 385 | 6.2% | 2.7% | 1.5% | |
| Tonbridge and Malling | #REF! | #REF! | 130 | 2.3% | 0.8% | 0.6% | |
| Tunbridge Wells | #REF! | #REF! | 120 | 1.8% | 0.7% | 0.6% | |
| Kent | #REF! | #REF! | 2510 | 3.3% | 1.4% | 0.9% | |
| Medway | #REF! | #REF! | 560 | 4.4% | 1.9% | 1.2% | |

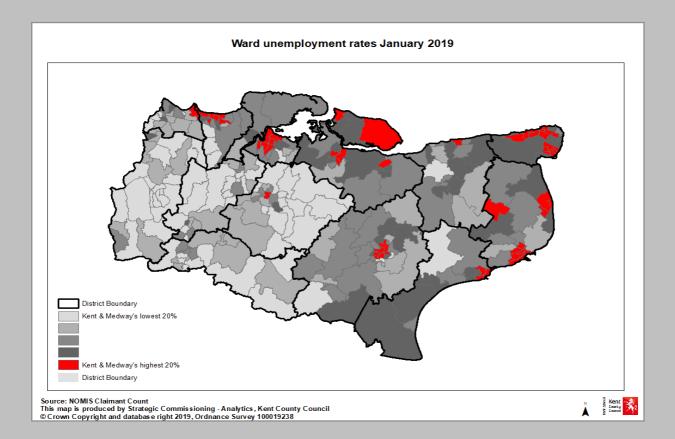


| | | | Change since Dec 2007 | | Change since | Jan 2007 |
|----------------------|--------|------|-----------------------|---|--------------|----------|
| 18-24 Unemployment | Number | Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Kent | #REF! | 3.3% | - | - | - | - |
| Great Britain | #REF! | 4.3% | - | - | - | - |

| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | |
|---|--------|------------------|---------|---------------------------|--|--|
| January 2008 | Ke | Kent % of all | | Great Britain % of all | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed | | |
| 18-24 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | | |
| 25-49 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | | |
| 50-64 | 2,510 | 18.6% | 125,500 | 15.6% | | |







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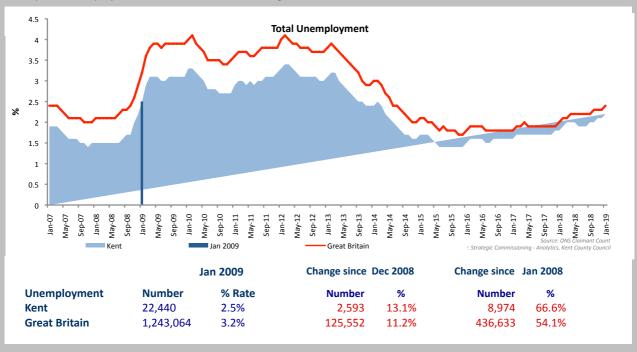
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Ashford | 1,475 | 2.0% | 162 | 12.3% | 659 | 80.8% |
| Canterbury | 1,986 | 2.1% | 214 | 12.1% | 785 | 65.4% |
| Dartford | 1,383 | 2.2% | 165 | 13.5% | 561 | 68.2% |
| Dover | 2,051 | 3.0% | 203 | 11.0% | 759 | 58.7% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,161 | 3.3% | 246 | 12.8% | 715 | 49.4% |
| Gravesham | 2,123 | 3.3% | 276 | 14.9% | 741 | 53.6% |
| Maidstone | 1,773 | 1.8% | 222 | 14.3% | 797 | 81.7% |
| Sevenoaks | 1,071 | 1.5% | 155 | 16.9% | 552 | 106.4% |
| Swale | 2,745 | 3.2% | 364 | 15.3% | 1,079 | 64.8% |
| Thanet | 3,412 | 4.3% | 247 | 7.8% | 1,270 | 59.3% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 1,187 | 1.6% | 177 | 17.5% | 545 | 84.9% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 1,073 | 1.5% | 162 | 17.8% | 511 | 90.9% |
| Medway | 5,501 | 3.2% | 551 | 11.1% | 2,037 | 58.8% |
| Kent | 22,440 | 2.5% | 2,593 | 13.1% | 8,974 | 66.6% |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2009

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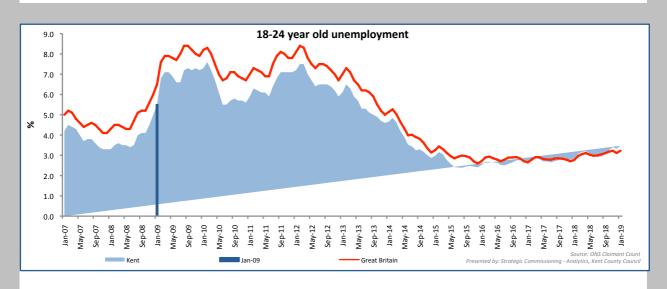
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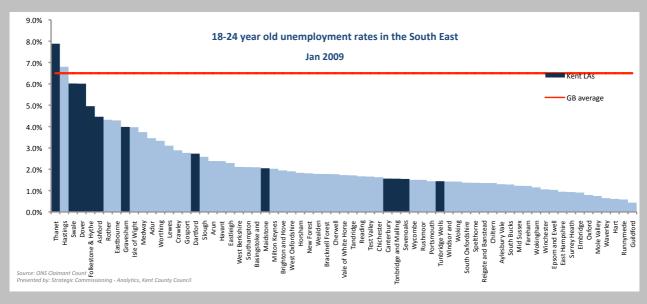
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| 18-24 | 6,615 | 5.5% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
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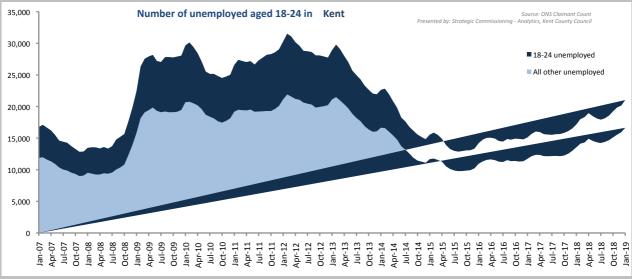
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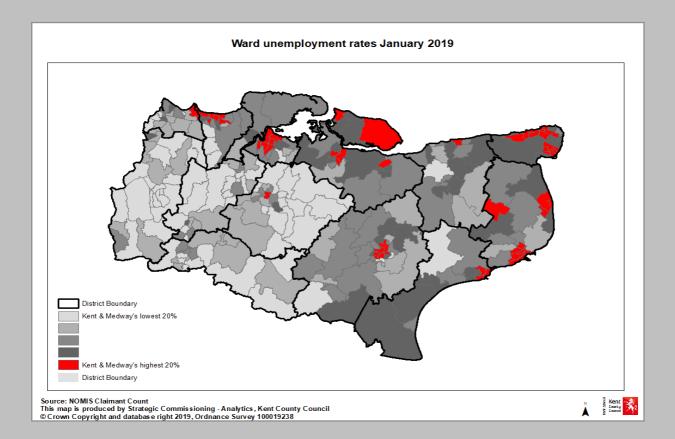


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| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | | |
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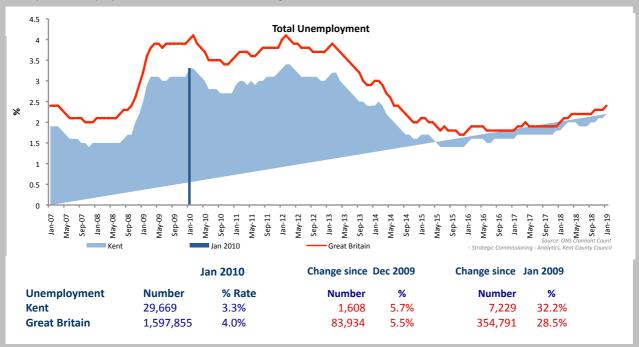
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Ashford | 2,023 | 2.8% | 86 | 4.4% | 548 | 37.2% |
| Canterbury | 2,556 | 2.7% | 182 | 7.7% | 570 | 28.7% |
| Dartford | 2,154 | 3.4% | 197 | 10.1% | 771 | 55.7% |
| Dover | 2,526 | 3.7% | 91 | 3.7% | 475 | 23.2% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,751 | 4.2% | 132 | 5.0% | 590 | 27.3% |
| Gravesham | 2,695 | 4.2% | 167 | 6.6% | 572 | 26.9% |
| Maidstone | 2,646 | 2.7% | 202 | 8.3% | 873 | 49.2% |
| Sevenoaks | 1,504 | 2.1% | 108 | 7.7% | 433 | 40.4% |
| Swale | 3,408 | 4.0% | 123 | 3.7% | 663 | 24.2% |
| Thanet | 4,372 | 5.5% | 68 | 1.6% | 960 | 28.1% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 1,687 | 2.2% | 139 | 9.0% | 500 | 42.1% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 1,347 | 1.9% | 113 | 9.2% | 274 | 25.5% |
| Medway | 7,659 | 4.4% | 356 | 4.9% | 2,158 | 39.2% |
| Kent | 29,669 | 3.3% | 1,608 | 5.7% | 7,229 | 32.2% |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2010

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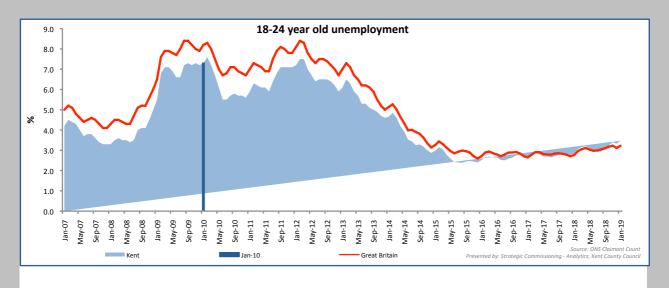
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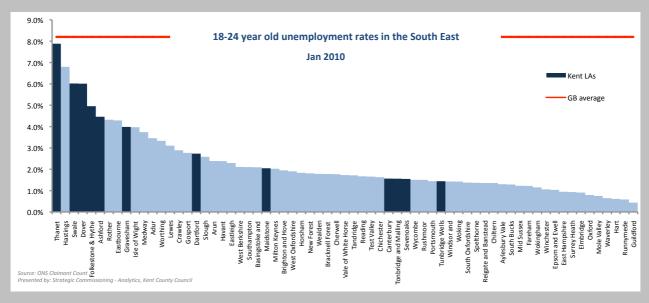
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| 18-24 | 8,995 | 7.3% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
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| 50-64 | 5,095 | 1.9% | 315 | 6.6% | _ | _ |

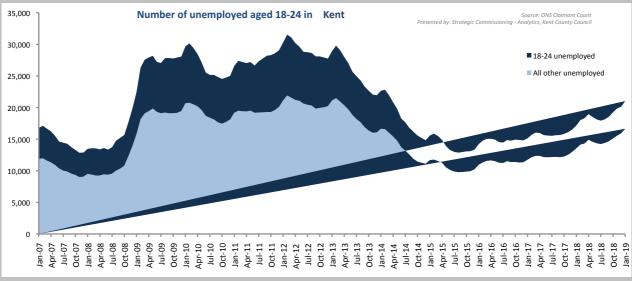
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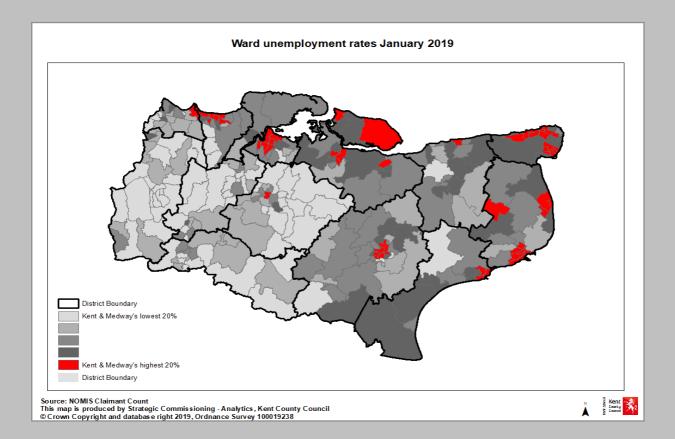


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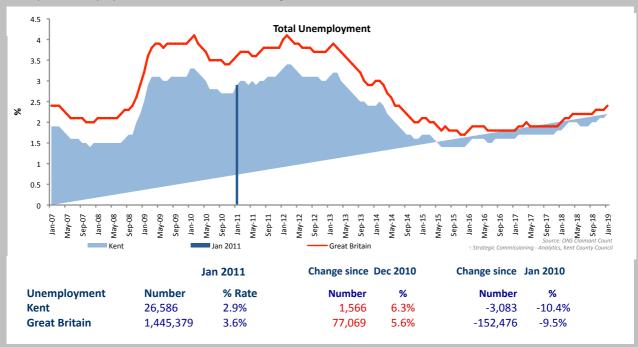
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % | |
| Ashford | 1,903 | 2.6% | 121 | 6.8% | -120 | -5.9% | |
| Canterbury | 2,173 | 2.2% | 192 | 9.7% | -383 | -15.0% | |
| Dartford | 1,921 | 3.0% | 173 | 9.9% | -233 | -10.8% | |
| Dover | 2,275 | 3.3% | 125 | 5.8% | -251 | -9.9% | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,562 | 3.9% | 100 | 4.1% | -189 | -6.9% | |
| Gravesham | 2,416 | 3.7% | 166 | 7.4% | -279 | -10.4% | |
| Maidstone | 2,265 | 2.3% | 152 | 7.2% | -381 | -14.4% | |
| Sevenoaks | 1,234 | 1.7% | 58 | 4.9% | -270 | -18.0% | |
| Swale | 3,138 | 3.6% | 113 | 3.7% | -270 | -7.9% | |
| Thanet | 4,284 | 5.3% | 210 | 5.2% | -88 | -2.0% | |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 1,352 | 1.8% | 116 | 9.4% | -335 | -19.9% | |
| Tunbridge Wells | 1,063 | 1.5% | 40 | 3.9% | -284 | -21.1% | |
| Medway | 6,508 | 3.7% | 335 | 5.4% | -1,151 | -15.0% | |
| Kent | 26,586 | 2.9% | 1,566 | 6.3% | -3,083 | -10.4% | |

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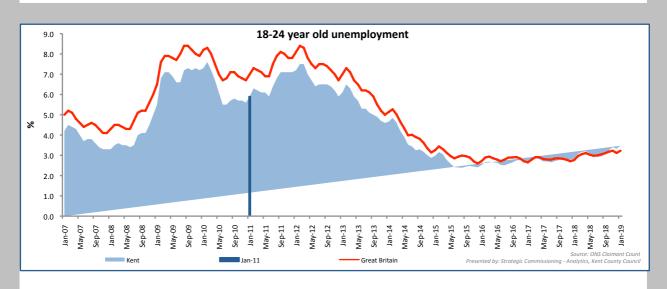
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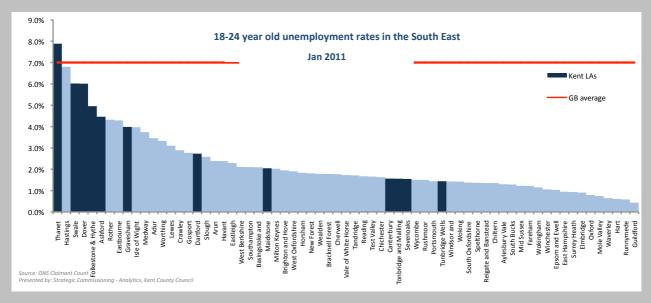
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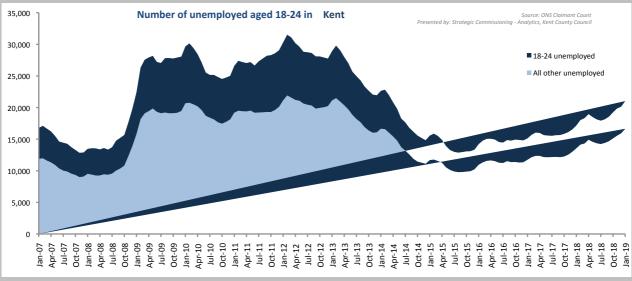
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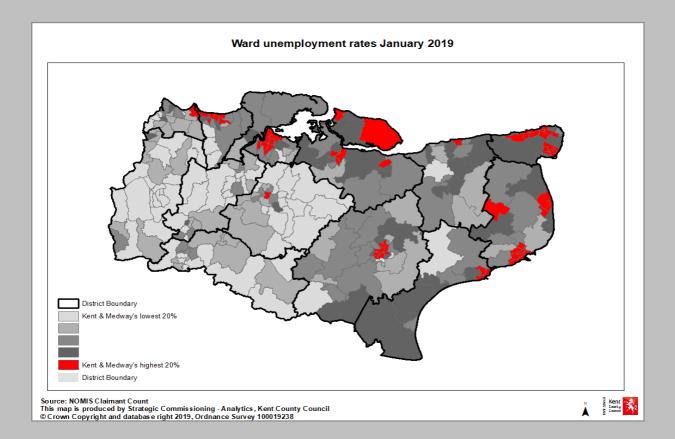


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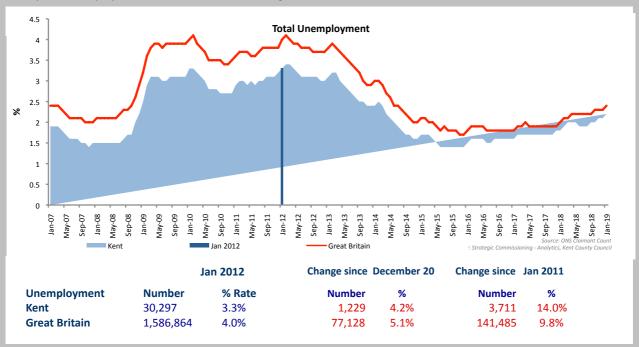
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % | | |
| Ashford | 2,036 | 2.8% | 102 | 5.3% | 133 | 7.0% | | |
| Canterbury | 2,582 | 2.6% | 131 | 5.3% | 409 | 18.8% | | |
| Dartford | 1,974 | 3.1% | 97 | 5.2% | 53 | 2.8% | | |
| Dover | 2,735 | 4.0% | 134 | 5.2% | 460 | 20.2% | | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,833 | 4.3% | 25 | 0.9% | 271 | 10.6% | | |
| Gravesham | 2,843 | 4.4% | 114 | 4.2% | 427 | 17.7% | | |
| Maidstone | 2,611 | 2.6% | 93 | 3.7% | 346 | 15.3% | | |
| Sevenoaks | 1,388 | 2.0% | 83 | 6.4% | 154 | 12.5% | | |
| Swale | 3,626 | 4.2% | 192 | 5.6% | 488 | 15.6% | | |
| Thanet | 4,897 | 6.1% | 130 | 2.7% | 613 | 14.3% | | |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 1,583 | 2.1% | 75 | 5.0% | 231 | 17.1% | | |
| Tunbridge Wells | 1,189 | 1.7% | 53 | 4.7% | 126 | 11.9% | | |
| Medway | 7,416 | 4.2% | 269 | 3.8% | 908 | 14.0% | | |
| Kent | 30,297 | 3.3% | 1,229 | 4.2% | 3,711 | 14.0% | | |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2012

The unemployment rate in Kent is 3.3%. This is below the rate for Great Britain (4%).

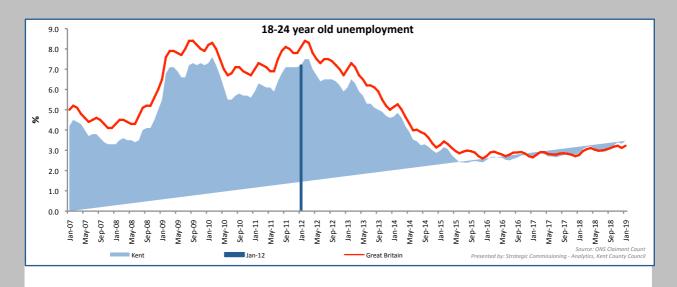
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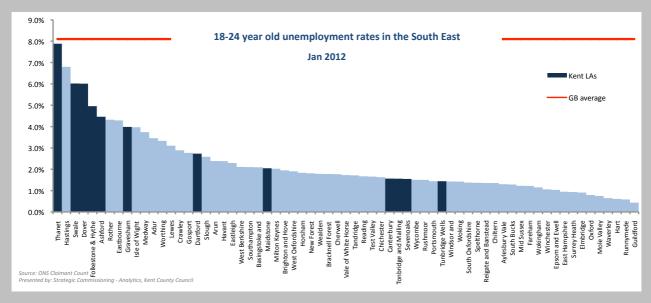
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| 18-24 | 9,165 | 7.2% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
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| 50-64 | 5,280 | 1.9% | 305 | 6.1% | - | - |

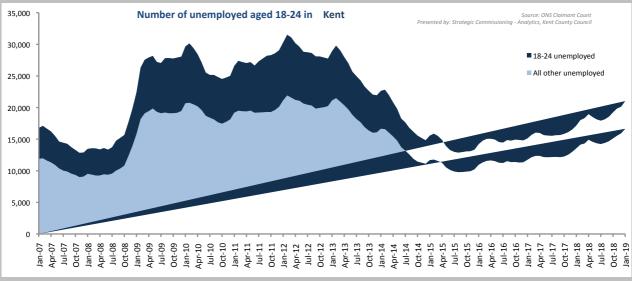
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| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 |
| Ashford | #REF! | #REF! | 345 | 6.5% | 2.7% | 1.6% |
| Canterbury | #REF! | #REF! | 430 | 3.3% | 3.1% | 1.6% |
| Dartford | #REF! | #REF! | 320 | 7.2% | 2.9% | 1.9% |
| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 465 | 9.9% | 4.2% | 2.0% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 535 | 9.2% | 4.5% | 2.5% |
| Gravesham | #REF! | #REF! | 480 | 9.3% | 4.3% | 2.7% |
| Maidstone | #REF! | #REF! | 490 | 6.6% | 2.5% | 1.7% |
| Sevenoaks | #REF! | #REF! | 295 | 4.7% | 2.0% | 1.3% |
| Swale | #REF! | #REF! | 535 | 11.4% | 4.0% | 2.1% |
| Thanet | #REF! | #REF! | 820 | 14.1% | 6.4% | 3.1% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | #REF! | #REF! | 290 | 5.2% | 2.1% | 1.3% |
| Tunbridge Wells | #REF! | #REF! | 275 | 3.2% | 1.7% | 1.3% |
| Kent | #REF! | #REF! | 5280 | 7.2% | 3.3% | 1.9% |
| Medway | #REF! | #REF! | 1130 | 8.5% | 4.2% | 2.4% |

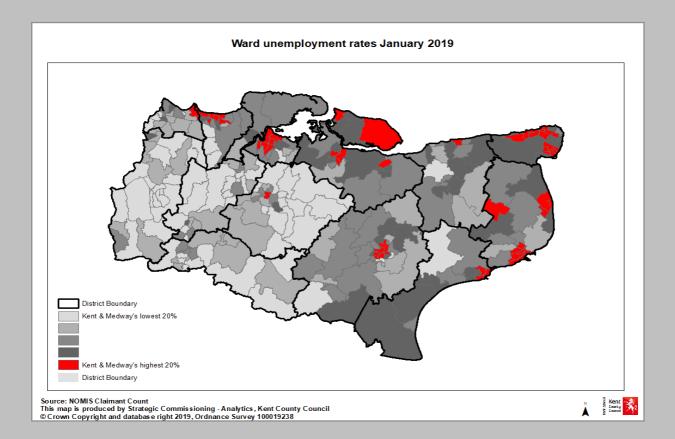


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| 18-24 Unemployment | Number | Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Kent | #REF! | 7.2% | - | - | - | - |
| Great Britain | #REF! | 8.1% | - | - | - | - |

| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | |
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| January 2012 | Ke | nt | Grea | t Britain | | | |
| | | % of all | | % of all | | | |
| | Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed | | | |
| 18-24 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | | | |
| 25-49 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | | | |
| 50-64 | 5,280 | 17.4% | 246,480 | 15.5% | | | |







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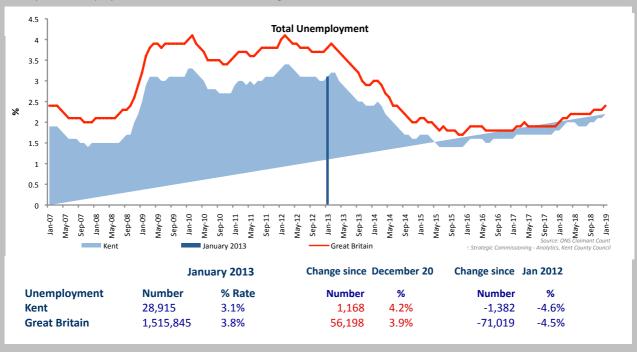
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| | Jar | nuary 2013 | Change since [| December 20 | Change since | Jan 2012 |
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Ashford | 1,935 | 2.6% | 34 | 1.8% | -101 | -5.0% |
| Canterbury | 2,365 | 2.4% | 94 | 4.1% | -217 | -8.4% |
| Dartford | 1,825 | 2.8% | 119 | 7.0% | -149 | -7.5% |
| Dover | 2,680 | 4.0% | 55 | 2.1% | -55 | -2.0% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,810 | 4.3% | 80 | 2.9% | -23 | -0.8% |
| Gravesham | 2,565 | 3.9% | 136 | 5.6% | -278 | -9.8% |
| Maidstone | 2,535 | 2.6% | 188 | 8.0% | -76 | -2.9% |
| Sevenoaks | 1,240 | 1.8% | 60 | 5.1% | -148 | -10.7% |
| Swale | 3,515 | 4.1% | 160 | 4.8% | -111 | -3.1% |
| Thanet | 4,920 | 6.1% | 105 | 2.2% | 23 | 0.5% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 1,510 | 2.0% | 76 | 5.3% | -73 | -4.6% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 1,010 | 1.4% | 56 | 5.9% | -179 | -15.1% |
| Medway | 6,915 | 3.9% | 260 | 3.9% | -501 | -6.8% |
| Kent | 28,915 | 3.1% | 1,168 | 4.2% | -1,382 | -4.6% |
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Kent unemployment headlines January 2013

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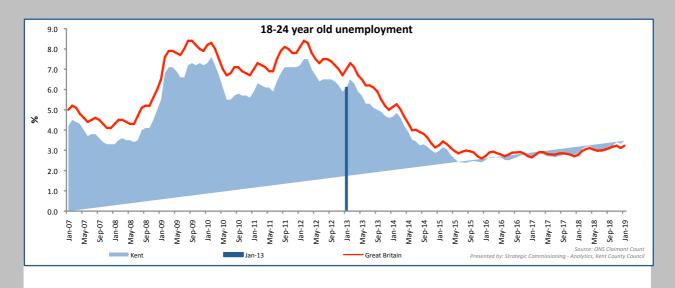
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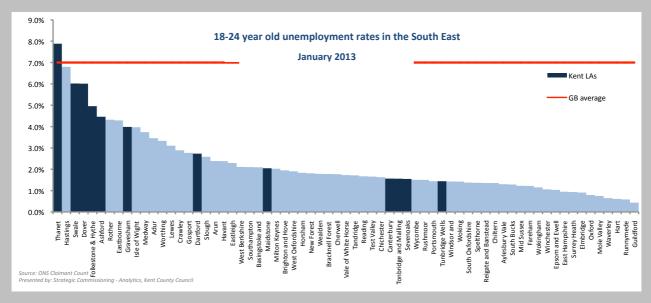
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| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| 18-24 | 7,800 | 6.1% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 25-49 | 15,640 | 3.3% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 50-64 | 5,310 | 1.9% | 235 | 4.6% | - | _ |

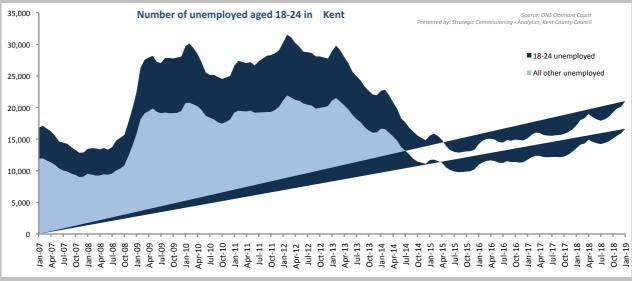
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| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | |
| Ashford | #REF! | #REF! | 315 | 5.4% | 2.8% | 1.4% | |
| Canterbury | #REF! | #REF! | 395 | 2.7% | 2.9% | 1.5% | |
| Dartford | #REF! | #REF! | 315 | 5.9% | 2.7% | 1.9% | |
| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 505 | 8.8% | 4.3% | 2.2% | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 555 | 8.2% | 4.8% | 2.6% | |
| Gravesham | #REF! | #REF! | 455 | 7.7% | 4.0% | 2.5% | |
| Maidstone | #REF! | #REF! | 480 | 5.2% | 2.6% | 1.6% | |
| Sevenoaks | #REF! | #REF! | 280 | 3.5% | 1.8% | 1.2% | |
| Swale | #REF! | #REF! | 620 | 9.9% | 3.9% | 2.3% | |
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| Tonbridge and Malling | #REF! | #REF! | 315 | 3.9% | 2.1% | 1.4% | |
| Tunbridge Wells | #REF! | #REF! | 210 | 2.4% | 1.5% | 1.0% | |
| Kent | #REF! | #REF! | 5310 | 6.1% | 3.3% | 1.9% | |
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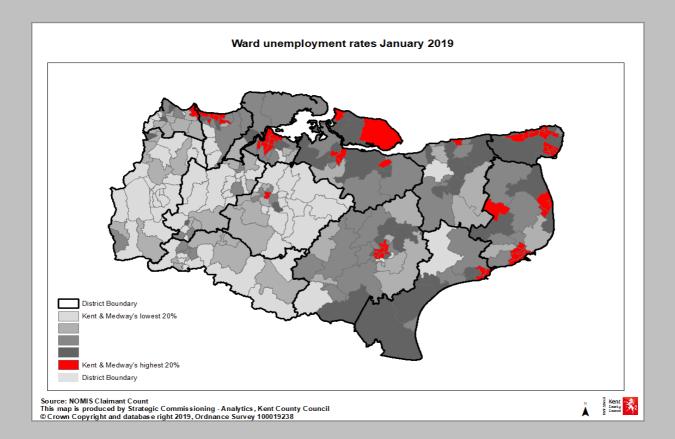


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| Kent | #REF! | 6.1% | - | - | - | - |
| Great Britain | #REF! | 7.0% | - | - | - | - |

| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|------------|----------|------------|--|--|--|
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| | | % of all | % of all | | | | |
| | Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed | | | |
| 18-24 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | | | |
| 25-49 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | | | |
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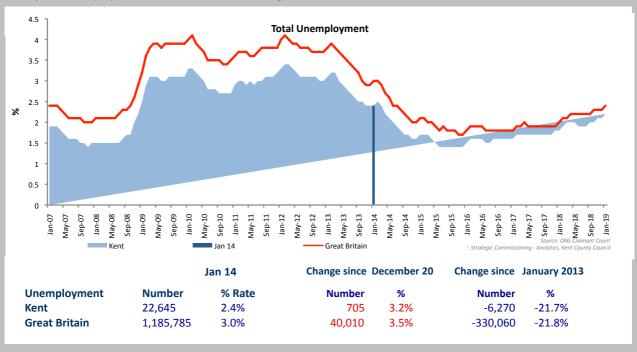
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Ashford | 1,515 | 2.0% | 20 | 1.3% | -420 | -21.7% |
| Canterbury | 1,820 | 1.8% | 40 | 2.2% | -545 | -23.0% |
| Dartford | 1,360 | 2.1% | 50 | 3.8% | -465 | -25.5% |
| Dover | 2,145 | 3.2% | 45 | 2.1% | -535 | -20.0% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,150 | 3.3% | 25 | 1.2% | -660 | -23.5% |
| Gravesham | 1,995 | 3.0% | 90 | 4.7% | -570 | -22.2% |
| Maidstone | 1,900 | 1.9% | 130 | 7.3% | -635 | -25.0% |
| Sevenoaks | 890 | 1.3% | 45 | 5.3% | -350 | -28.2% |
| Swale | 2,775 | 3.2% | 50 | 1.8% | -740 | -21.1% |
| Thanet | 4,245 | 5.2% | 70 | 1.7% | -675 | -13.7% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 1,110 | 1.5% | 70 | 6.7% | -400 | -26.5% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 740 | 1.0% | 65 | 9.6% | -270 | -26.7% |
| Medway | 5,405 | 3.1% | 200 | 3.8% | -1,510 | -21.8% |
| Kent | 22,645 | 2.4% | 705 | 3.2% | -6,270 | -21.7% |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2019

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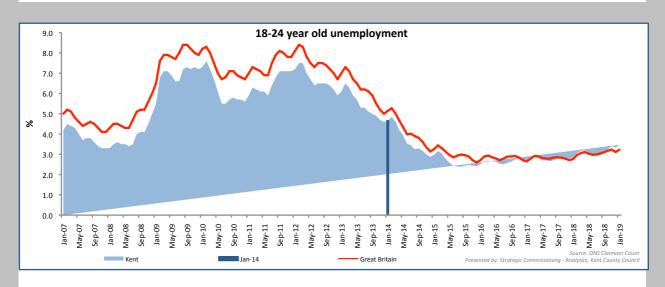
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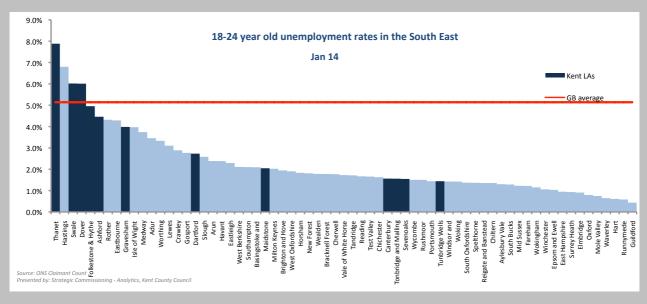
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| 18-24 | 6,000 | 4.7% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
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| 50-64 | 4,380 | #REF! | 155 | 3.7% | _ | _ |

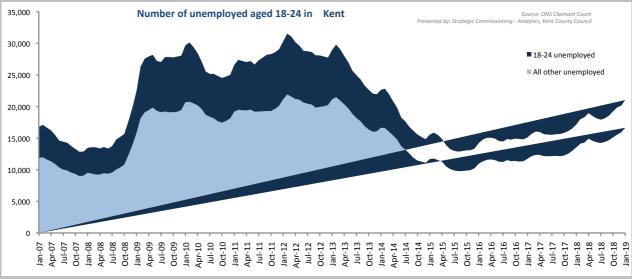
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| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 475 | 6.5% | 3.4% | 2.2% |
| Gravesham | #REF! | #REF! | 365 | 5.8% | 3.1% | 2.0% |
| Maidstone | #REF! | #REF! | 360 | 4.2% | 1.9% | 1.2% |
| Sevenoaks | #REF! | #REF! | 215 | 2.7% | 1.3% | 0.9% |
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| Thanet | #REF! | #REF! | 800 | 10.2% | 5.9% | 3.1% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | #REF! | #REF! | 245 | 2.9% | 1.5% | 1.1% |
| Tunbridge Wells | #REF! | #REF! | 175 | 1.7% | 1.1% | 0.8% |
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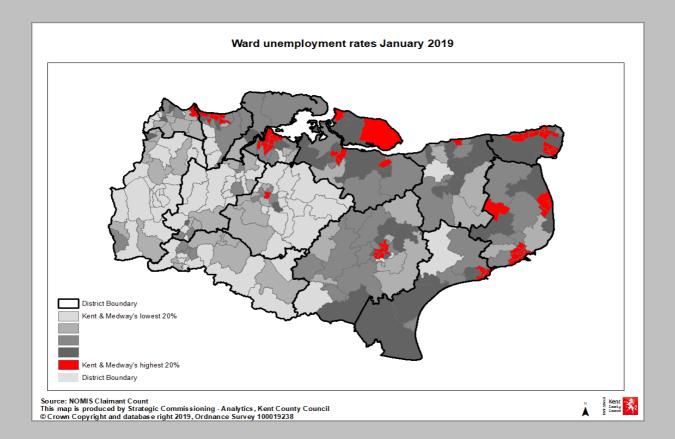


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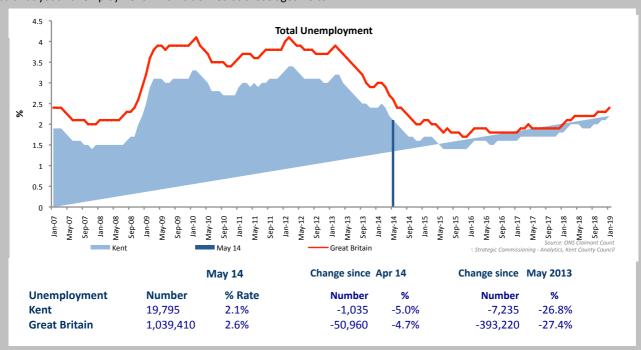
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| Canterbury | 1,535 | 1.5% | -100 | -6.1% | -715 | -31.8% |
| Dartford | 1,245 | 1.9% | -25 | -2.0% | -450 | -26.5% |
| Dover | 1,950 | 2.9% | -130 | -6.3% | -545 | -21.8% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,765 | 2.7% | -95 | -5.1% | -830 | -32.0% |
| Gravesham | 1,760 | 2.7% | -150 | -7.9% | -640 | -26.7% |
| Maidstone | 1,595 | 1.6% | -90 | -5.3% | -810 | -33.7% |
| Sevenoaks | 780 | 1.1% | -40 | -4.9% | -305 | -28.1% |
| Swale | 2,355 | 2.7% | -125 | -5.0% | -795 | -25.2% |
| Thanet | 3,775 | 4.7% | -175 | -4.4% | -925 | -19.7% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 975 | 1.3% | -60 | -5.8% | -430 | -30.6% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 690 | 1.0% | -20 | -2.8% | -255 | -27.0% |
| Medway | 4,980 | 2.8% | -100 | -2.0% | -1,415 | -22.1% |
| Kent | 19,795 | 2.1% | -1,035 | -5.0% | -7,235 | -26.8% |

Kent unemployment headlines May 2019

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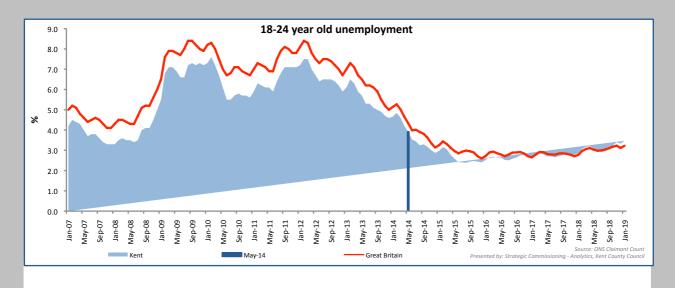
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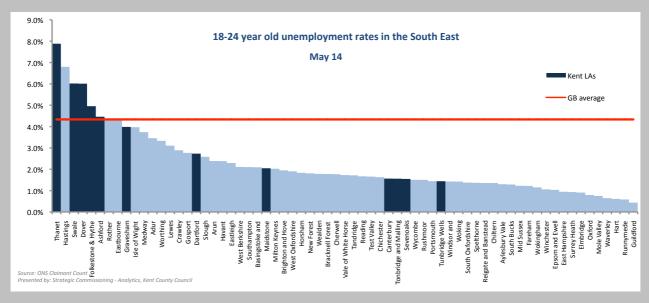
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| 5,040 | 3.9% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
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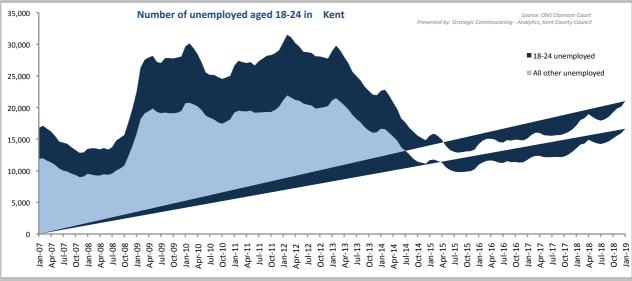
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| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 |
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| Dartford | #REF! | #REF! | 220 | 3.8% | 1.9% | 1.3% |
| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 410 | 5.7% | 3.2% | 1.8% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 425 | 4.9% | 2.8% | 2.0% |
| Gravesham | #REF! | #REF! | 350 | 4.8% | 2.8% | 1.9% |
| Maidstone | #REF! | #REF! | 315 | 3.3% | 1.6% | 1.1% |
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| Swale | #REF! | #REF! | 435 | 6.4% | 2.7% | 1.6% |
| Thanet | #REF! | #REF! | 740 | 9.3% | 5.1% | 2.8% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | #REF! | #REF! | 235 | 2.3% | 1.3% | 1.0% |
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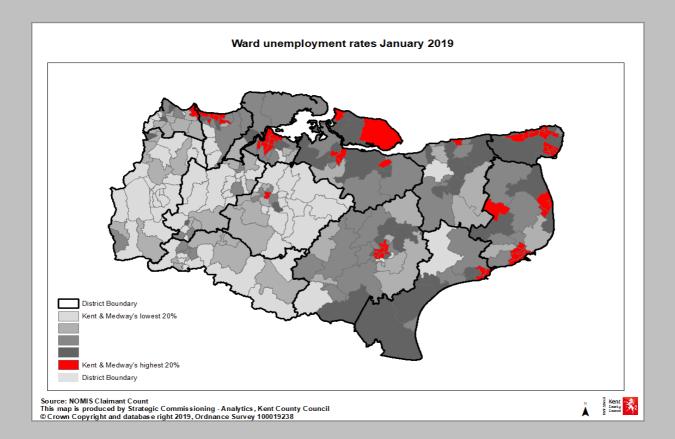


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| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | |
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| | | % of all | | % of all | | | |
| | Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed | | | |
| 18-24 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | | | |
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| 50-64 | 4,015 | 20.3% | 198,315 | 19.1% | | | |







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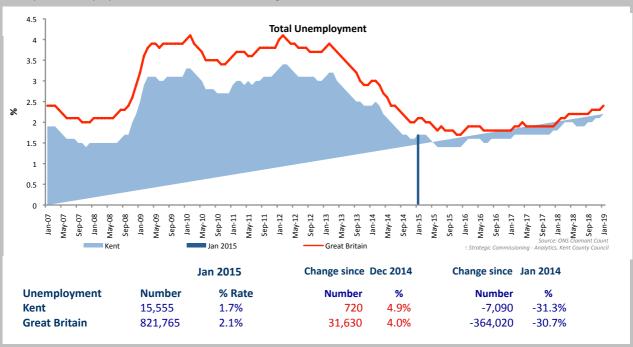
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % | |
| Ashford | 1,040 | 1.4% | 60 | 6.1% | -475 | -31.4% | |
| Canterbury | 1,140 | 1.1% | 45 | 4.1% | -680 | -37.4% | |
| Dartford | 865 | 1.3% | 70 | 8.8% | -495 | -36.4% | |
| Dover | 1,545 | 2.3% | 35 | 2.3% | -600 | -28.0% | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,595 | 2.4% | 45 | 2.9% | -555 | -25.8% | |
| Gravesham | 1,395 | 2.1% | 90 | 6.9% | -600 | -30.1% | |
| Maidstone | 1,255 | 1.2% | 95 | 8.2% | -645 | -33.9% | |
| Sevenoaks | 635 | 0.9% | 40 | 6.7% | -255 | -28.7% | |
| Swale | 1,900 | 2.2% | 135 | 7.6% | -875 | -31.5% | |
| Thanet | 2,895 | 3.5% | 25 | 0.9% | -1,350 | -31.8% | |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 775 | 1.0% | 45 | 6.2% | -335 | -30.2% | |
| Tunbridge Wells | 515 | 0.7% | 40 | 8.4% | -225 | -30.4% | |
| Medway | 3,930 | 2.2% | 150 | 4.0% | -1,475 | -27.3% | |
| Kent | 15,555 | 1.7% | 720 | 4.9% | -7,090 | -31.3% | |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2015

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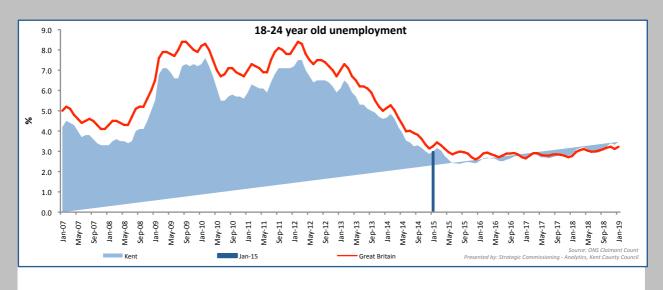
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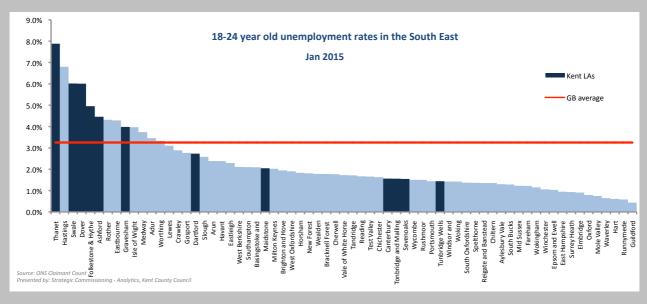
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| 18-24 | 3,875 | 3.0% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 25-49 | 8,280 | 1.7% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 50-64 | 3,380 | 1.2% | 160 | 5.0% | _ | _ |

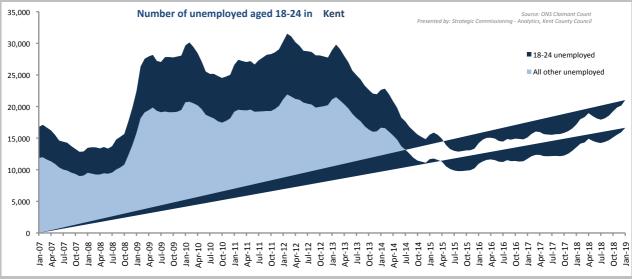
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| Ashford | #REF! | #REF! | 220 | 2.8% | 1.4% | 1.0% | |
| Canterbury | #REF! | #REF! | 240 | 1.0% | 1.4% | 0.9% | |
| Dartford | #REF! | #REF! | 155 | 2.8% | 1.3% | 0.9% | |
| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 345 | 4.4% | 2.5% | 1.5% | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 375 | 4.7% | 2.6% | 1.7% | |
| Gravesham | #REF! | #REF! | 310 | 3.7% | 2.1% | 1.7% | |
| Maidstone | #REF! | #REF! | 270 | 2.4% | 1.3% | 0.9% | |
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| Tunbridge Wells | #REF! | #REF! | 125 | 1.2% | 0.8% | 0.6% | |
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| Medway | #REF! | #REF! | 810 | 3.9% | 2.2% | 1.7% | |

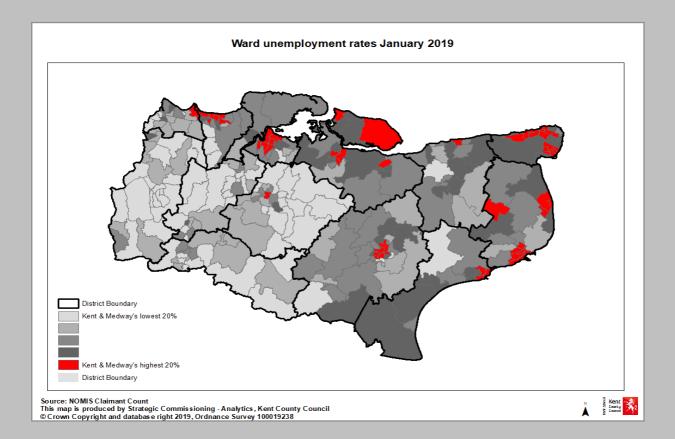


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| • • | | - % of all unemplo | - | | |
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| 50-64 | 3,380 | 21.7% | 169,355 | 20.6% | |







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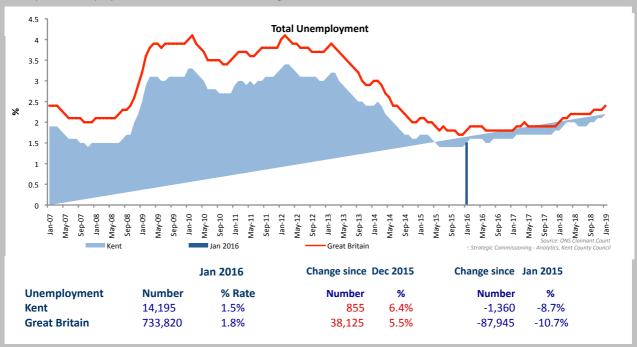
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
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| Dartford | 720 | 1.1% | 50 | 7.5% | -145 | -16.8% |
| Dover | 1,300 | 1.9% | 60 | 4.8% | -245 | -15.9% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,370 | 2.1% | 85 | 6.6% | -225 | -14.1% |
| Gravesham | 1,275 | 1.9% | 40 | 3.2% | -120 | -8.6% |
| Maidstone | 1,150 | 1.1% | 80 | 7.5% | -105 | -8.4% |
| Sevenoaks | 540 | 0.8% | 25 | 4.9% | -95 | -15.0% |
| Swale | 1,855 | 2.1% | 85 | 4.8% | -45 | -2.4% |
| Thanet | 2,615 | 3.2% | 270 | 11.5% | -280 | -9.7% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 720 | 0.9% | 40 | 5.9% | -55 | -7.1% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 500 | 0.7% | 35 | 7.5% | -15 | -2.9% |
| Medway | 3,570 | 2.0% | 105 | 3.0% | -360 | -9.2% |
| Kent | 14,195 | 1.5% | 855 | 6.4% | -1,360 | -8.7% |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2016

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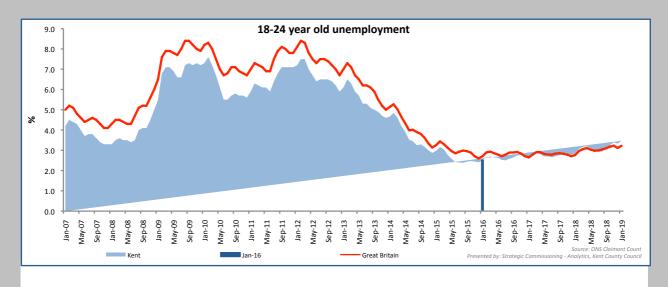
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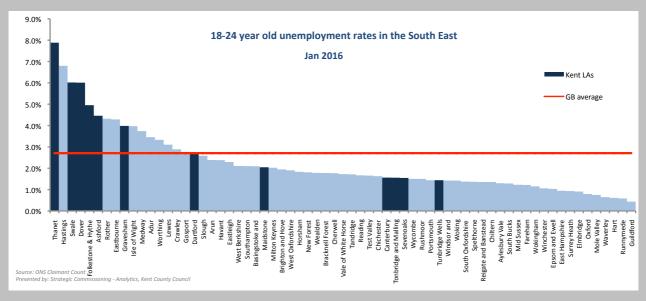
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| 18-24 | 3,250 | 2.5% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 25-49 | 7,355 | 1.5% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 50-64 | 3,540 | 1.2% | 225 | 6.8% | _ | _ |

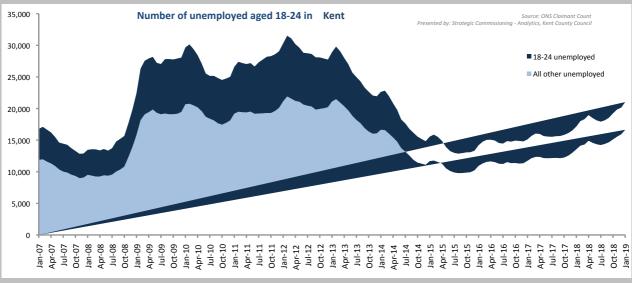
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| Canterbury | #REF! | #REF! | 280 | 0.9% | 1.3% | 1.0% | |
| Dartford | #REF! | #REF! | 165 | 2.1% | 1.0% | 0.9% | |
| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 355 | 3.7% | 1.9% | 1.5% | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 360 | 3.9% | 2.1% | 1.6% | |
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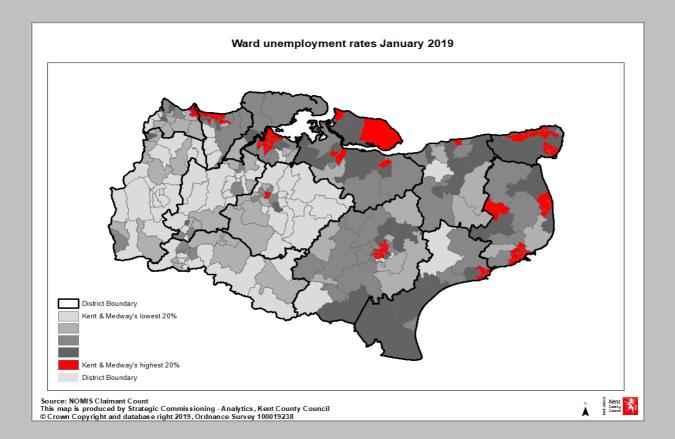


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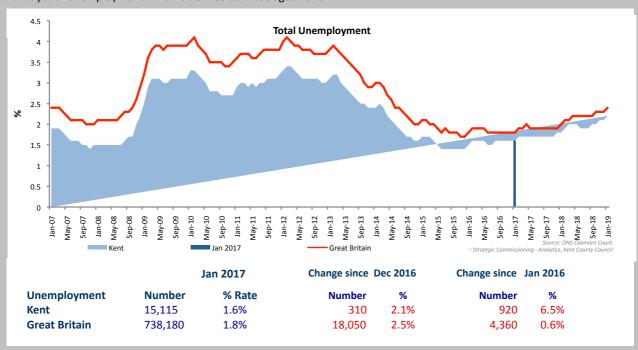
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| Maidstone | 1,220 | 1.2% | 25 | 2.1% | 70 | 6.1% |
| Sevenoaks | 505 | 0.7% | -5 | -1.0% | -35 | -6.5% |
| Swale | 1,965 | 2.2% | 45 | 2.3% | 110 | 5.9% |
| Thanet | 2,785 | 3.4% | 40 | 1.5% | 170 | 6.5% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 730 | 0.9% | 0 | 0.0% | 10 | 1.4% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 560 | 0.8% | 35 | 6.7% | 60 | 12.0% |
| Medway | 3,330 | 1.9% | -15 | -0.4% | -240 | -6.7% |
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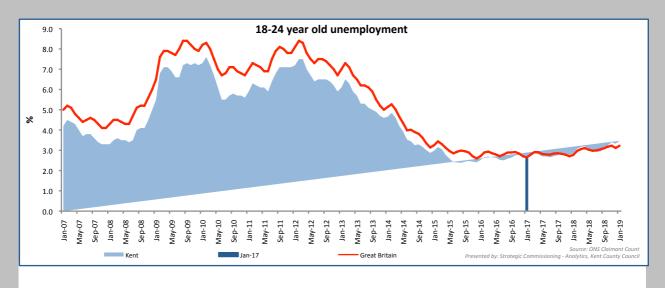
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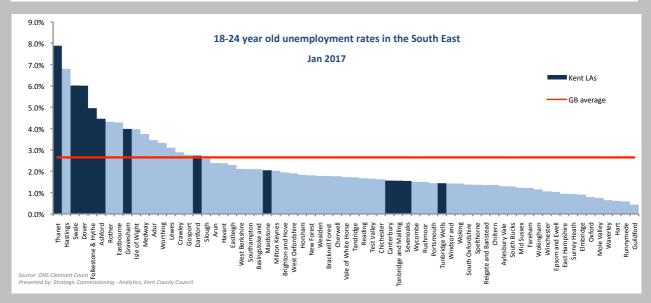
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| 18-24 | 3,375 | 2.6% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 25-49 | 7,645 | 1.6% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
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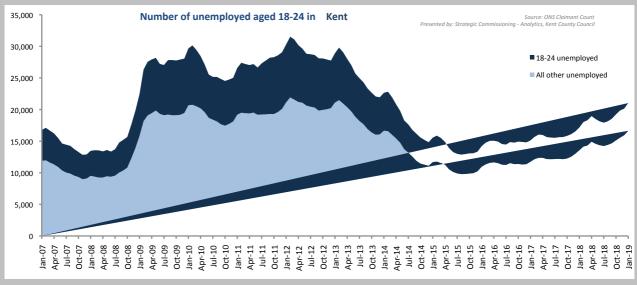
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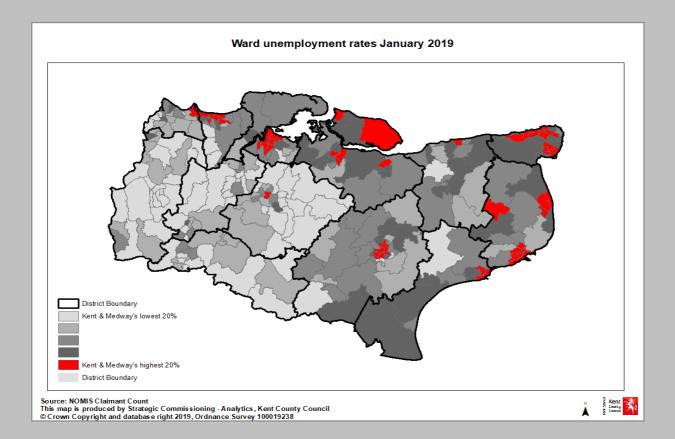


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| unemployed | Number | unemployed |
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| 26.9% | 186,900 | 25.3% |
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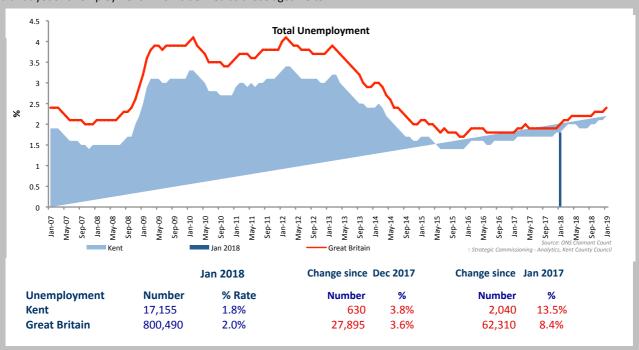
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| | Jan 2018 | | Change since D | ec 2017 | Change since Jan 2017 | | |
|-----------------------|----------|--------|----------------|---------|-----------------------|-------|--|
| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % | |
| Ashford | 1,325 | 1.7% | 25 | 1.9% | 145 | 12.3% | |
| Canterbury | 1,410 | 1.4% | 55 | 4.1% | 90 | 6.8% | |
| Dartford | 775 | 1.1% | 10 | 1.3% | 30 | 4.0% | |
| Dover | 2,010 | 3.0% | 75 | 3.9% | 590 | 41.5% | |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,515 | 2.3% | 75 | 5.2% | 120 | 8.6% | |
| Gravesham | 1,375 | 2.1% | 40 | 3.0% | 85 | 6.6% | |
| Maidstone | 1,265 | 1.2% | 55 | 4.5% | 45 | 3.7% | |
| Sevenoaks | 530 | 0.8% | 0 | 0.0% | 25 | 5.0% | |
| Swale | 2,030 | 2.3% | 55 | 2.8% | 65 | 3.3% | |
| Thanet | 3,460 | 4.2% | 150 | 4.5% | 675 | 24.2% | |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 780 | 1.0% | 30 | 4.0% | 50 | 6.8% | |
| Tunbridge Wells | 665 | 0.9% | 45 | 7.3% | 105 | 18.8% | |
| Medway | 3,360 | 1.9% | 95 | 2.9% | 30 | 0.9% | |
| Kent | 17,155 | 1.8% | 630 | 3.8% | 2,040 | 13.5% | |

Kent unemployment headlines January 2018

The unemployment rate in Kent is 1.8%. This is below the rate for Great Britain (2%).

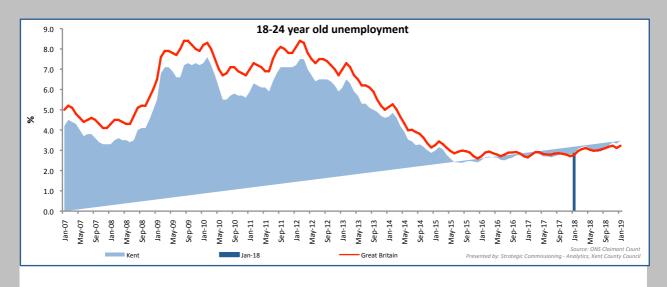
17,155 people were claiming unemployment benefits in Kent. This has increased since last month.

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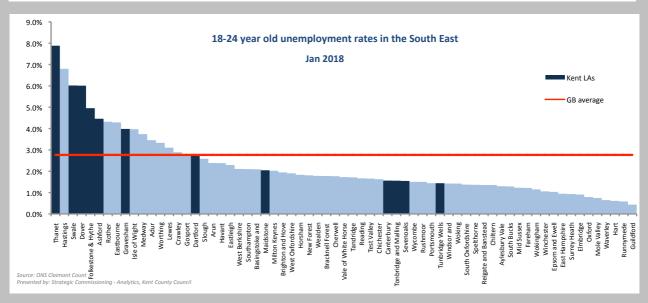
| Unemployme | ment by age group | | Change since | | Change s | ince |
|-------------------|-------------------|------|--------------|-------|----------|------|
| Kent | Jan 2018 | | #REF! | | Jan 2017 | |
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| 18-24 | 3,600 | 2.8% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 25-49 | 8,565 | 1.8% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
| 50-64 | 4,955 | 1.6% | 170 | 3.6% | _ | _ |

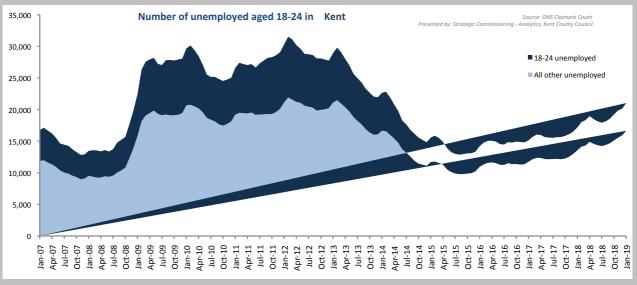
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| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 |
| Ashford | #REF! | #REF! | 355 | 3.3% | 1.7% | 1.4% |
| Canterbury | #REF! | #REF! | 400 | 1.1% | 1.5% | 1.4% |
| Dartford | #REF! | #REF! | 200 | 2.1% | 1.0% | 1.1% |
| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 595 | 5.0% | 3.0% | 2.4% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | #REF! | #REF! | 485 | 3.7% | 2.3% | 2.1% |
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| Tonbridge and Malling | #REF! | #REF! | 240 | 1.9% | 0.9% | 0.9% |
| Tunbridge Wells | #REF! | #REF! | 230 | 1.4% | 0.9% | 1.0% |
| Kent | #REF! | #REF! | 4955 | 2.8% | 1.8% | 1.6% |
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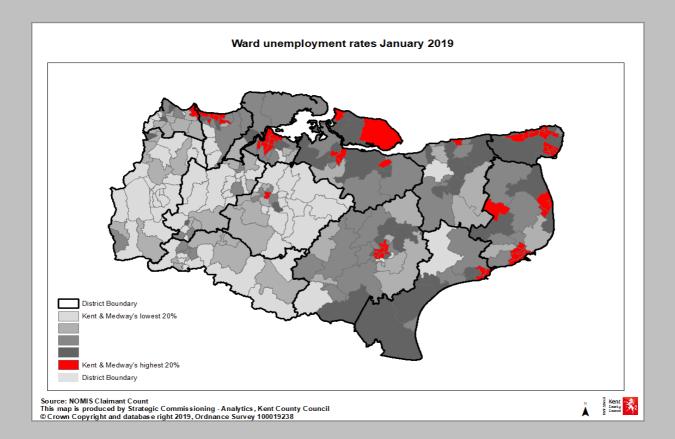


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| Great Britain | #REF! | 2.8% | - | - | - | - |

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|--------------|--------|--------------------|---------|------------|
| January 2018 | Ke | nt | Grea | t Britain |
| | | % of all | | % of all |
| | Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed |
| 18-24 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! |
| 25-49 | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! | #REF! |
| 50-64 | 4,955 | 28.9% | 211,580 | 26.4% |







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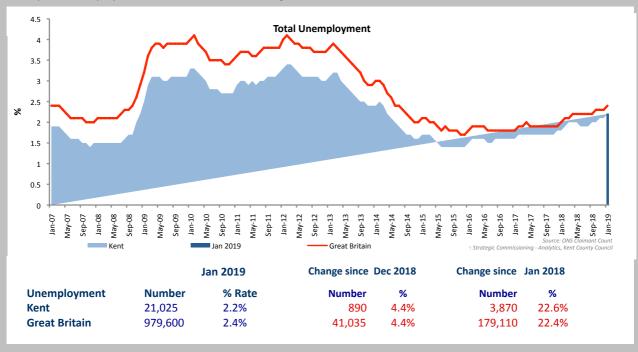
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| | Number | % Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Ashford | 1,750 | 2.3% | 60 | 3.6% | 425 | 32.1% |
| Canterbury | 1,925 | 1.8% | 80 | 4.3% | 515 | 36.5% |
| Dartford | 975 | 1.4% | 55 | 6.0% | 200 | 25.8% |
| Dover | 2,420 | 3.5% | 65 | 2.8% | 410 | 20.4% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 1,935 | 3.0% | 85 | 4.6% | 420 | 27.7% |
| Gravesham | 1,665 | 2.5% | 55 | 3.4% | 290 | 21.1% |
| Maidstone | 1,320 | 1.3% | 145 | 12.3% | 55 | 4.3% |
| Sevenoaks | 610 | 0.9% | 40 | 7.0% | 80 | 15.1% |
| Swale | 2,770 | 3.1% | 50 | 1.8% | 740 | 36.5% |
| Thanet | 4,290 | 5.2% | 90 | 2.1% | 830 | 24.0% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 740 | 0.9% | 85 | 13.0% | -40 | -5.1% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 630 | 0.9% | 80 | 14.5% | -35 | -5.3% |
| Medway | 4,315 | 2.4% | 220 | 5.4% | 955 | 28.4% |
| Kent | 21,025 | 2.2% | 890 | 4.4% | 3,870 | 22.6% |
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Kent unemployment headlines January 2019

The unemployment rate in Kent is 2.2%. This is below the rate for Great Britain (2.4%).

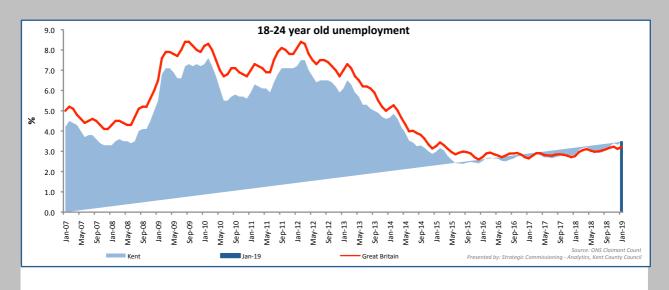
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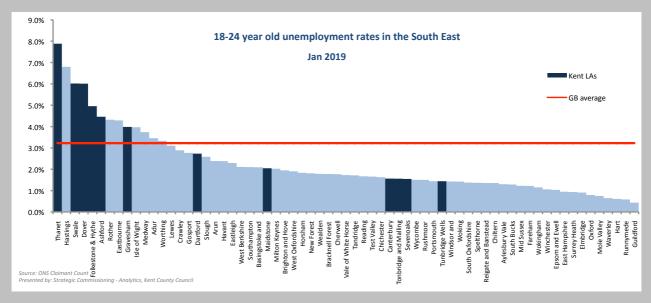
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| 4,390 | 3.5% | #REF! | #REF! | - | - |
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| 5,910 | 2.0% | 250 | 4.4% | - | _ |
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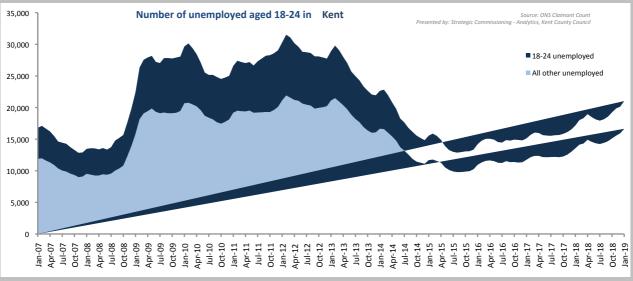
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| Dover | #REF! | #REF! | 710 | 6.0% | 3.7% | 2.8% |
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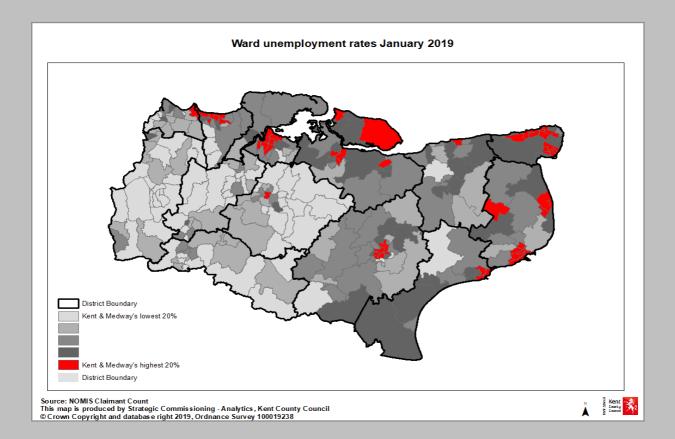


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| Kent | #REF! | 3.5% | - | - | - | - |
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| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | |
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| 5,910 | 28.1% | 261,750 | 26.7% | | | | |
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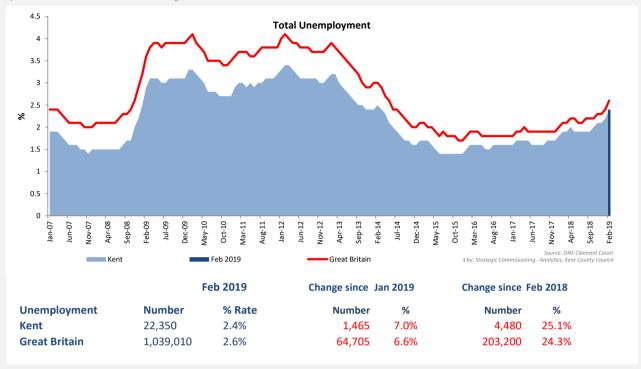
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| Canterbury | 2,055 | 2.0% | 150 | 7.9% | 590 | 40.3% |
| Dartford | 1,090 | 1.6% | 140 | 14.7% | 275 | 33.7% |
| Dover | 2,515 | 3.7% | 105 | 4.4% | 405 | 19.2% |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 2,050 | 3.1% | 105 | 5.4% | 610 | 42.4% |
| Gravesham | 1,745 | 2.7% | 95 | 5.8% | 430 | 32.7% |
| Maidstone | 1,415 | 1.4% | 95 | 7.2% | 875 | 162.0% |
| Sevenoaks | 695 | 1.0% | 85 | 13.9% | -890 | -56.2% |
| Swale | 2,950 | 3.3% | 195 | 7.1% | 840 | 39.8% |
| Thanet | 4,450 | 5.4% | 220 | 5.2% | 800 | 21.9% |
| Tonbridge and Malling | 795 | 1.0% | 55 | 7.4% | 5 | 0.6% |
| Tunbridge Wells | 735 | 1.0% | 120 | 19.5% | 40 | 5.8% |
| Medway | 4,545 | 2.6% | 250 | 5.8% | 1,095 | 31.7% |
| Kent | 22,350 | 2.4% | 1,465 | 7.0% | 4,480 | 25.1% |
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Kent unemployment headlines February 2019

The unemployment rate in Kent is 2.4%. This is below the rate for Great Britain (2.6%).

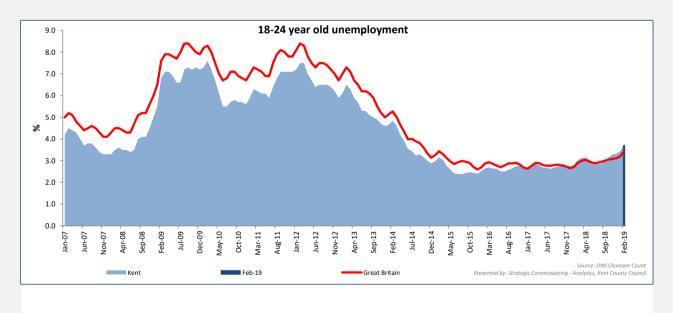
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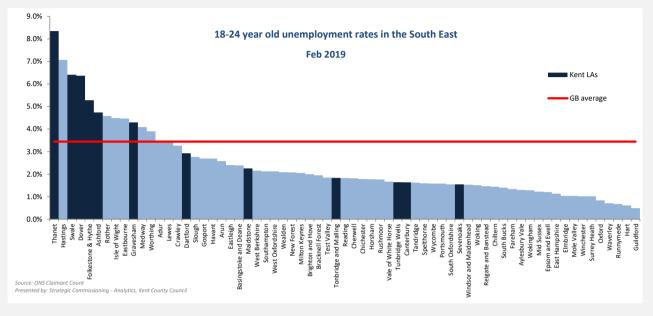
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| Kent | Feb 2019 |) | Jan 2 | 019 | Feb 20 |)18 |
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| 18-24 | 4,690 | 3.7% | 335 | 7.7% | 860 | 22.5% |
| 25-49 | 11,380 | 2.4% | 795 | 7.5% | 2,500 | 28.2% |
| 50-64 | 6,220 | 2.1% | 330 | 5.6% | 1,085 | 21.1% |

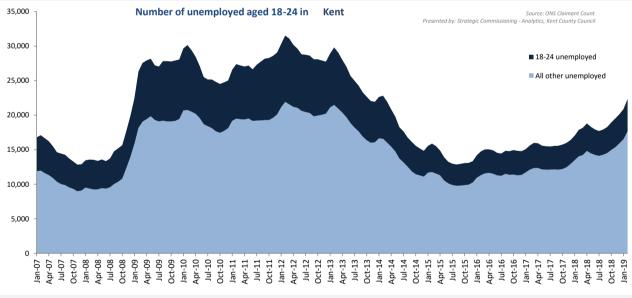
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| | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 | 18-24 | 25-49 | 50-64 |
| Ashford | 425 | 930 | 495 | 4.7% | 2.3% | 2.0% |
| Canterbury | 455 | 1055 | 535 | 1.6% | 2.3% | 1.9% |
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| Folkestone & Hythe | 405 | 990 | 650 | 5.3% | 3.1% | 2.8% |
| Gravesham | 345 | 890 | 500 | 4.3% | 2.5% | 2.5% |
| Maidstone | 270 | 760 | 385 | 2.3% | 1.4% | 1.2% |
| Sevenoaks | 115 | 345 | 235 | 1.5% | 1.0% | 1.0% |
| Swale | 735 | 1440 | 765 | 6.4% | 3.2% | 2.7% |
| Thanet | 895 | 2340 | 1210 | 8.3% | 5.9% | 4.3% |
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| Tunbridge Wells | 120 | 390 | 220 | 1.6% | 1.0% | 1.0% |
| Kent | 4690 | 11380 | 6220 | 3.7% | 2.4% | 2.1% |
| Medway | 995 | 2405 | 1140 | 4.1% | 2.5% | 2.2% |

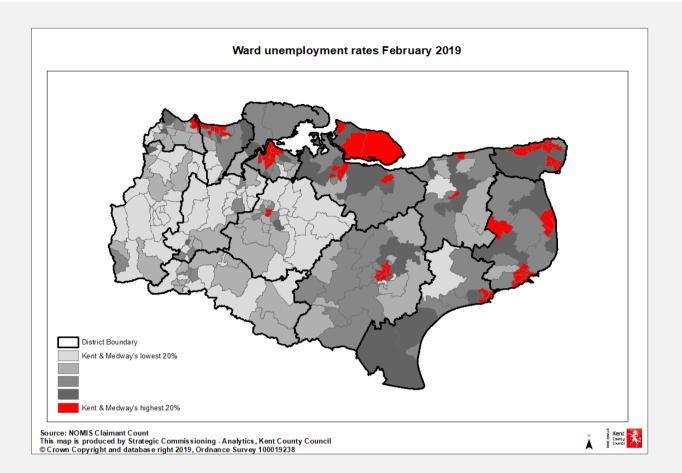


| | | | Change since Ja | an 2019 | Change since F | eb 2018 |
|----------------------|---------|------|-----------------|---------|----------------|---------|
| 18-24 Unemployment | Number | Rate | Number | % | Number | % |
| Kent | 4,690 | 3.7% | 335 | 7.7% | 860 | 22.5% |
| Great Britain | 192,610 | 3.4% | 13,550 | 7.6% | 30,285 | 18.7% |

| Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| ry 2019 Kent | | Great Britain | | | | | |
| | % of all | | % of all | | | | |
| Number | unemployed | Number | unemployed | | | | |
| 4,690 | 21.0% | 192,610 | 18.5% | | | | |
| 11,380 | 50.9% | 569,660 | 54.8% | | | | |
| 6,220 | 27.8% | 273,485 | 26.3% | | | | |
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This workbook uses information from a dataset called The Claimant Count by Sex and Age. This experimental series counts the number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance plus those who claim Universal Credit who are out of work. The dataset currently includes some out of work claimants of Universal Credit who are not required to look for work; for example, due to illness or disability. Therefore this dataset is considered experimental and the results should be interpreted with caution.

Unemployment rates are calculated using the Office for National Statistics Mid-year Population Estimates 2001-2017. The resident working age population is defined as all males and females aged 16-64. These denominators will be updated annually with the ONS mid-year population estimates.

Data back to December 2014 were revised by ONS on 18th October 2017. This bulletin contains these revisions and therefore supersedes any previously released data.

Introduction of Universal Credit

Since 2013 the roll out of Universal Credit has progressed across across the UK. Universal Credit will replace a number of meanstested benefits including the means-tested element of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA).

From April 2015 Universal Credit started to be rolled out within Kent. It is now available in all Jobcentre areas in Kent & Medway. Initially it was only available to single claimants without a partner and without child dependents however in 2017 the full roll out of Universal Credit to all claimant types began. The following table shows the planned roll out within Kent districts.

As announced in June 2018 the government will start to migrate existing claimants of the benefits that are being replaced to Universal Credit early in 2019. It hopes to migrate all existing benefit claimants to Universal Credit by March 2023.

| Date of roll | | |
|--------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| out | Job Centre Plus Office | District Served |
| May-17 | Dover | Dover |
| Jul-17 | Margate | Thanet |
| Jul-17 | Ramsgate | Thanet |
| Dec-17 | Sheerness | Swale |
| Dec-17 | Sittingbourne | Swale |
| Feb-18 | Gravesend | Gravesham |
| Feb-18 | Gravesend | Sevenoaks (part) |
| Feb-18 | Folkestone | Folkestone & Hythe |
| Feb-18 | Chatham | Medway |
| Mar-18 | Ashford | Ashford |
| Apr-18 | Canterbury | Canterbury |
| Apr-18 | Hernebay | Canterbury |
| Apr-18 | Whitstable | Canterbury |
| May-18 | Dartford | Dartford |
| May-18 | Dartford | Sevenoaks (part) |
| Aug-18 | Maidstone | Maidstone |
| Aug-18 | Tonbridge | Tonbridge & Malling |
| Aug-18 | Tonbridge | Tunbridge Wells |

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TR020002 - Manston Airport - Ref:20011948

Dear Richard and James,

On Monday 18th March I spoke at the Open Hearing firstly in my capacity as Vice Chair of Save Manston Airport Association and I have already sent my Written Representation concerning that to you.

I then spoke, for the last 30 seconds, as an individual. During that time I mentioned the exam results of Chatham and Clarendon House School and Mr Broderick requested I send them to you. I contacted the school asking for the examination results to be sent to me but I have not yet been able to obtain the results I need. Unfortunately I am now going on holiday and will not be in a position to do anything until at least the 8th April. I realise that this may mean that my evidence is not accepted by you but hope that you will consider accepting it for a later deadline.

| Kind regards, |
|---|
| David Stevens. |
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