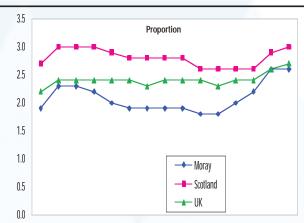
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UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS



Dec-04 Jan-05 Feb-05 Mar-05 Apr-05 May-05 Jun-05 Jul-05 Aug-05 Sep-05 Oct-05 Nov-05 Dec-05 Jan-06 Feb-06

Note: As of December 2002 'proportion of unemployment' replaced 'unemployment rate'. The proportion of unemployment is a percentage of working age residents who are claimants in an area rather than the previous rate which was based on the percentage of the economically active population.

UNEMPLOYMENT BY LOCAL AREA

	No. Unemployed		Unemployment Rate (estimate)		Monthly Change	
Local Area	Jan-06	Feb-06	Jan-06	Feb-06	No.	Rate
B. 1 31144 .	58	60	0.40/	0.00/		0.40/
Bishopmill West			2.1%	2.2%	2	0.1%
Bishopmill East	59	55	2.3%	2.2%	-4	-0.2%
Cathedral	62	65	2.5%	2.6%	3	0.1%
Central West	30 40	32 49	1.3%	1.4%	2	0.1%
New Elgin West			1.7%	2.1%	9	0.4%
New Elgin East	70	65	2.7%	2.5%	-5	-0.2%
Forres East	40	46	1.7%	2.0%	6	0.3%
Forres Central	82	89	3.1%	3.4%	7	0.3%
Finderne	52	47	1.6%	1.5%	-5	-0.2%
Forres West and Altyre	79	75	3.3%	3.1%	-4	-0.2%
Burghsea	47	47	1.8%	1.8%	0	0.0%
Heldon and Laich	27	34	1.2%	1.5%	7	0.3%
Lossiemouth East	48	41	2.0%	1.7%	-7	-0.3%
Lossiemouth West	55	49	1.7%	1.5%	-6	-0.2%
Lhanbryde and Birnie	52	54	2.2%	2.3%	2	0.1%
Innes	30	31	1.2%	1.2%	1	0.0%
Lennox	41	47	2.0%	2.3%	6	0.3%
Buckie West	82	77	3.4%	3.2%	-5	-0.2%
Buckie Central	81	70	3.7%	3.2%	-11	-0.5%
Buckie East and Findochty	69	69	3.1%	3.1%	0	0.0%
Rathford	37	39	1.6%	1.7%	2	0.1%
Fife Keith and Strathisla	47	41	2.0%	1.8%	-6	-0.3%
Keith	59	63	2.8%	3.0%	4	0.2%
Rural Keith and Rothes	65	64	3.2%	3.2%	-1	0.0%
Speyside	34	35	1.4%	1.5%	1	0.0%
Glenlivet	45	45	6.8%	6.8%	0	0.0%

Note: The District Wards data (1996) has now been replaced with Census Area Statistic (CAS) wards. These are the areas being used for analysis of 2001 Population Census data. This data has only been available from February 2004.

UNEMPLOYMENT BY TRAVEL TO WORK AREAS (TTWAS)

TTWA	Male	Female	Total	Proportion	Monthly Change	Annual Change
Dufftown	75	31	106	2.5%	5	4
Elgin & Forres	581	257	838	2.4%	8	91
Keith & Buckie	298	147	445	3.2%	-15	63
Moray	954	435	1,389	2.6%	-2	158
Scotland	71,969	23,221	95,190	3.0%	2,599	-918
UK	730,886	253,778	984,664	2.7%	29,329	99,667

RECENT TRENDS

Over the last **month**, unemployment in:



 Moray has fallen from 1,391 to 1,389, a decrease of 0.1%



 Scotland has risen from 92,591 to 95,190, an increase of 2.8%



• UK has risen from 892,711 to 984,664, an increase of 3.1%

Over the past **12 months**, unemployment in:



 Moray has risen from 1,231 to 1,389, an increase of 12.8%



• Scotland has fallen from 96,108 to 95,190, a decrease of 1.0%



 UK has risen from 884,997 to 984,664, an increase of 11.3%

PROSPECTS



There is usually a **decrease** in Moray's unemployment total between **March and April**.



Between **1998 and 2005**, the average March-April monthly **decrease was 120**.



It is possible, therefore, that Moray's unemployment total **could fall** next month.

YOUTH TRAINING

In **Moray in February**, there were:

554 Skillseekers in employment

41 non-employed Skillseekers trainees