Worcestershire County Economic Summary

Comment: The claimant count decreased in August 2023 by -185 to 10,665 and the number of claimants aged 18-24 increased by 25 to 1,915. The Worcestershire rate (Ages 16-64) of 2.9% is lower than that of the West Midlands (4.9%) and England (3.8%).

Comparisons with March 2020, prior to the impact of the pandemic, show that the claimant count has increased by 2,360 or 28% and the number of claimants aged 18-24 has increased by 320 or 20%.

August 2023

About these statistics

- The Claimant Count includes all Universal Credit claimants who are required to seek work and be available for work, as well as all Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) claimants. Under Universal Credit a broader span of claimants are required to look for work than under JSA.
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