

## **Households Claiming Universal Credit in May 2023.**

Counts of the number of households claiming Universal Credit are released by the Department of Work and Pensions. The information is released for a variety of geographical areas but the most detailed is the 2011 Census output area. There are just over 230,000 output areas in Great Britain. This data has been extracted and standardised by the number of households at the time of the 2021 Census, and in the case of Scotland by the number of residential properties paying Council Tax, as Census information in Scotland has not yet been released. An output area comprises of a number of postcodes, and each postcode within the same output area was given the same set of rates and a postcode directory compiled. This makes it easy to match and overlay the data to any addressed based database. The following information is held for each postcode in the directory:-

1. Postcode 1 Space Between Inward & Outward Postcode
2. Region
3. 2011 Census Output Area, data is not yet released for 2021 Census Output Areas
4. Number of Households according to the 2021 Census in England and Wales and the number of residential properties paying Council Tax in Scotland. All Universal Credit claimant rates were standardised by this figure and hereafter referred to as households.

### **Universal Credit Claimants**

5. Households Claiming Universal Credit per 000 Households (there are just over 5 million households).

### **Claimant Type (these are not mutually exclusive)**

6. Households Claiming Carer Entitlement per 000 Households.
7. Households Claiming Child Entitlement per 000 Households.
8. Households Claiming Child Care Entitlement per 000 Households.
9. Households Claiming Disabled Child Entitlement per 000 Households.
10. Households Claiming Limited Capability for Work per 000 Households.
11. Households Claiming Housing Entitlement per 000 Households.

### **Presence of Children and Household Composition**

12. No Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households
13. 1 Child in Claimant Households per 000 Households
14. 2 Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households
15. 3 Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households
16. 4 Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households
17. 5 or more Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households
18. Claimant Households where Composition Single - No Kids per 000 Households
19. Claimant Households where Composition Single - Kids per 000 Households
20. Claimant Households where Composition Couple - No Kids per 000 Households
21. Claimant Households where Composition Couple - Kids per 000 Households
22. Claimant Households with Children 0-4 present per 000 Households
23. Claimant Households with Children 5-10 present per 000 Households
24. Claimant Households with Children 11-15 present per 000 Households
25. Claimant Households with Children 16-20 present per 000 Households

## Monthly Payment Amount Banded

26. Claiming Households with No Payment per 000 Households
27. Claiming Households Monthly Payment £0 - £100 per 000 Households
28. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£100 - £200 per 000 Households
29. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£200 - £300 per 000 Households
30. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£300 - £400 per 000 Households
31. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£400 - £500 per 000 Households
32. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£500 - £600 per 000 Households
33. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£600 - £700 per 000 Households
34. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£700 - £800 per 000 Households
35. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£800 - £900 per 000 Households
36. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£900 - £1000 per 000 Households
37. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£1000 - £1100 per 000 Households
38. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£1100 - £1200 per 000 Households
39. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£1200 - £1300 per 000 Households
40. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£1300 - £1400 per 000 Households
41. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£1400 - £1500 per 000 Households
42. Claiming Households Monthly Payment >£1500 per 000 Households

## Appendix 1 - Audit of Database

### Descriptive Statistics

	N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Households Claiming Universal Credit per 000 Households	27573152	.00	136000.00	184.2065	153.26641
Households Claiming Carer Entitlement per 000 Households	27573152	.00	1166.67	17.9732	28.54459
Households Claiming Child Entitlement per 000 Households	27573152	.00	51000.00	84.2276	79.42529
Households Claiming Child Care Entitlement per 000 Households	27573152	.00	1666.67	2.4435	9.52321
Households Claiming Disabled Child Entitlement per 000 Households	27573152	.00	875.00	6.0954	16.12342
Households Claiming Limited Capability for Work per 000 Households	27573152	.00	11000.00	41.1389	46.88863
Households Claiming Housing Entitlement per 000 Households	27573152	.00	29000.00	117.6270	109.30120
No Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households	27573152	.00	80000.00	96.7597	92.24400
1 Child in Claimant Households per 000 Households	27573152	.00	30000.00	35.2392	40.13835
2 Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households	27573152	.00	22000.00	29.0249	35.62616
3 Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households	27573152	.00	5000.00	9.9364	20.78138
4 Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households	27573152	.00	384.62	1.8757	8.87437
5 or more Children in Claimant Households per 000 Households	27573152	.00	461.54	.3813	4.08000
Claimant Households where Hhld Composition Single - No Kids per 000 Households	27573152	.00	65000.00	89.3745	87.52601

Claimant Households where Composition Single - Kids per 000 Households	27573152	.00	36000.00	62.1346	63.13979
Claimant Households where Composition Couple - No Kids per 000 Households	27573152	.00	16000.00	3.4011	12.13840
Claimant Households where Composition Couple - Kids per 000 Households	27573152	.00	17000.00	21.3542	30.62121
Claimant Households with Children 0-4 Present per 000 Households	27573152	.00	19000.00	30.0677	41.29664
Claimant Households with Children 5-10 Present per 000 Households	27573152	.00	32000.00	35.8117	46.87317
Claimant Households with Children 11-15 Present per 000 Households	27573152	.00	20000.00	26.3228	37.81283
Claimant Households with Children 16-20 Present per 000 Households	27573152	.00	12000.00	14.6604	25.96114
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment - None per 000 Households	27573152	.00	22000.00	13.8343	23.06442
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment £0 - £100 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	750.00	1.9444	8.71560
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£100 - £200 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	5000.00	2.3190	9.59761
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£200 - £300 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	10000.00	9.5215	20.74804
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£300 - £400 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	36000.00	9.8109	22.29170
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£400 - £500 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	10000.00	2.7288	10.58198
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£500 - £600 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	7000.00	5.2974	14.92236
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£600 - £700 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	11000.00	11.0050	21.82218

Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£700 - £800 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	9000.00	11.5932	22.28860
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£800 - £900 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	5000.00	4.8862	13.95147
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£900 - £1000 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	10000.00	5.7402	15.62506
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£1000 - £1100 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	875.00	7.7523	18.97009
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£1100 - £1200 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	9000.00	7.1269	17.39068
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£1200 - £1300 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	750.00	5.2010	14.48691
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£1300 - £1400 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	625.00	4.0947	12.86567
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£1400 - £1500 per 000 Households	27573152	.00	1125.00	2.9680	10.80347
Claiming Households where Monthly Payment >£1500 per 000 Household	27573152	.00	2833.33	19.4761	32.54906
Valid N (listwise)	27573152				

## Report

Households Claiming Universal Credit per 000

Households

Region	Mean	N
1 - North East	215.7329	1175690
2 - North West	210.7411	3153765
3 - Yorks & Humberside	197.3522	2330879
4 - East Midlands	173.9371	2037409
5 - West Midlands	213.4755	2429408
6 - East of England	157.7808	2628774
7 - Inner London	244.2712	1304039
8 - Outer London	234.1373	2120174
9 - South East	147.2539	3807951
10 - South West	149.5231	2448774
12 - Scotland	150.2586	2789344
13 - Wales	187.2081	1346945
Total	184.2065	27573152

The above Table gives the regional Universal Credit claiming. The figures show that the highest claimant rates are in London whilst the lowest are in the South East.

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