

Monthly Change in March: National Headlines -

Hart's Economic Dashboard

Economic outlook - UK gross domestic product (GDP) is estimated to have grown by 0.4% in February 2021, as government restrictions affecting economic activity remained broadly unchanged. February's GDP is 7.8% below the levels seen in February 2020, compared with 3.1% below the initial recovery peak in October

There were 56,000 fewer people were in payrolled employment in March 2021 when compared with February 2021

Provisional monthly ONS unemployed benefit claimants increased by a relatively small number for March 2021, following on from a much larger rise in February. Young people (16-24 years) were disproportionately affected while mature working age (50-64 years) saw a fall.

March Data as a Percentage

Table 1a: Unemployed claimants March 2021 by ward and age (18-64)

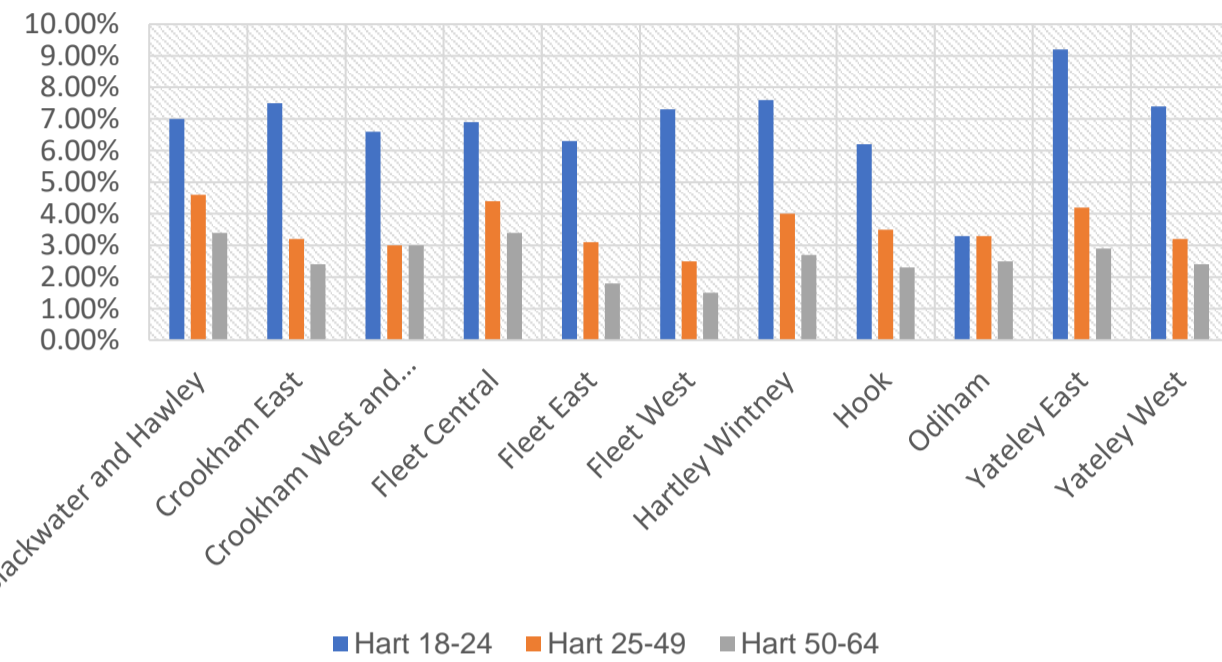


Table 2: Unemployed Claimants 16+

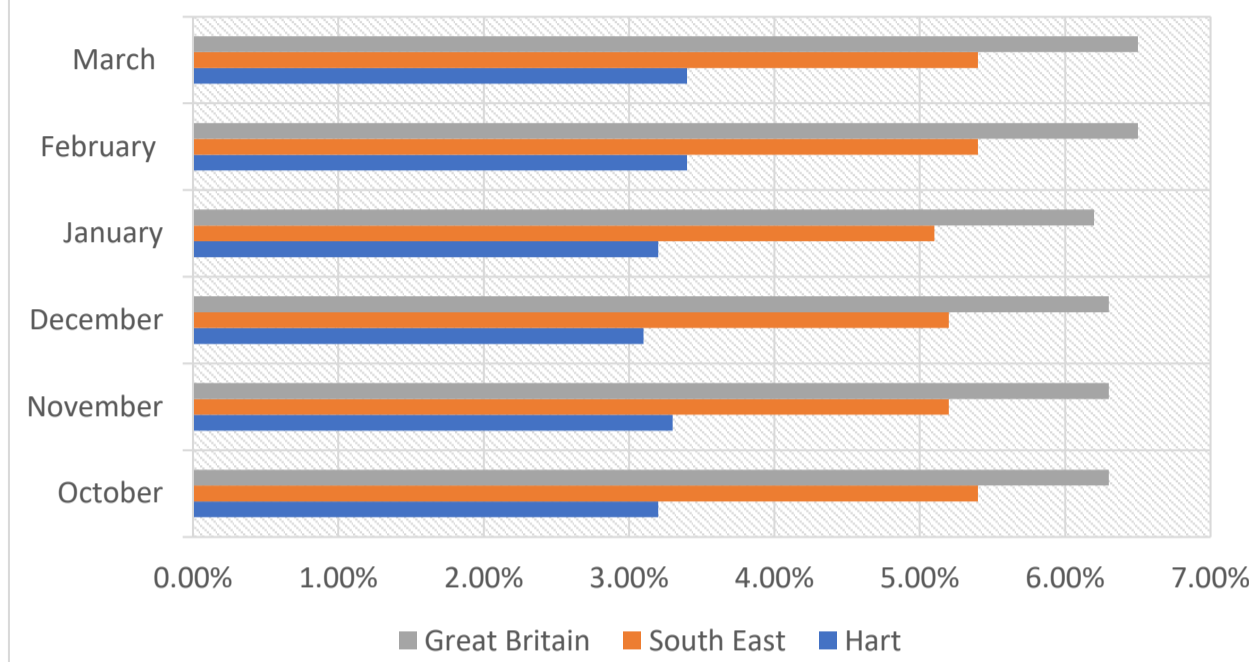


Table 3: Unemployed Claimants March by Ward and Sex Total

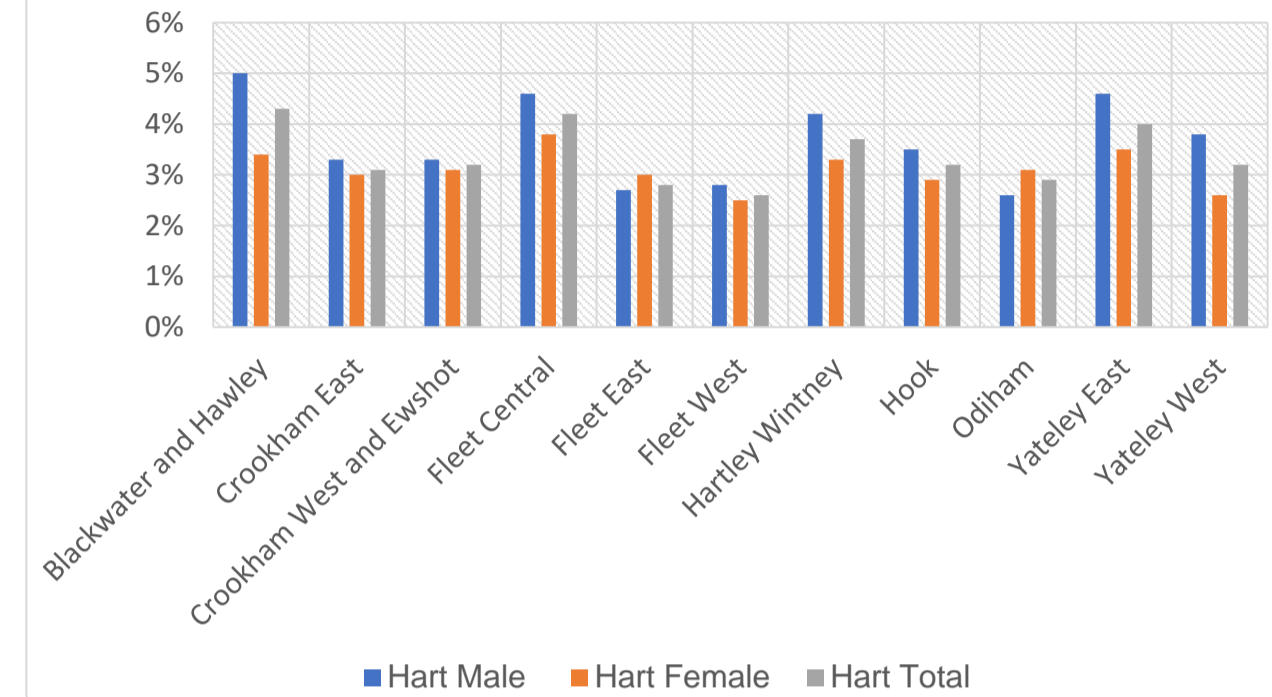


Table 1a: This month's report shows that both Yateley East and Blackwater and Hawley remain the highest % for the 18-24 and 25-49 brackets, respectively. Blackwater and Hawley and Fleet Central recorded the highest % for 50-64.

Table 2a: Shows the Unemployed Claimants 16+ in January. Hart recorded 3.4% - no change from February. There was no change in the % for the South East or Great Britain, either.

Table 3a: Unemployed Claimants March 2021 by Ward and Sex. Showing that Blackwater and Hawley, recorded the highest at 5% for males (down 0.3% from February). For females, it was Fleet Central at 3.8% (+0.1% from February). The highest recorded for both male and female was Blackwater and Hawley and Fleet Central.

March Raw Data

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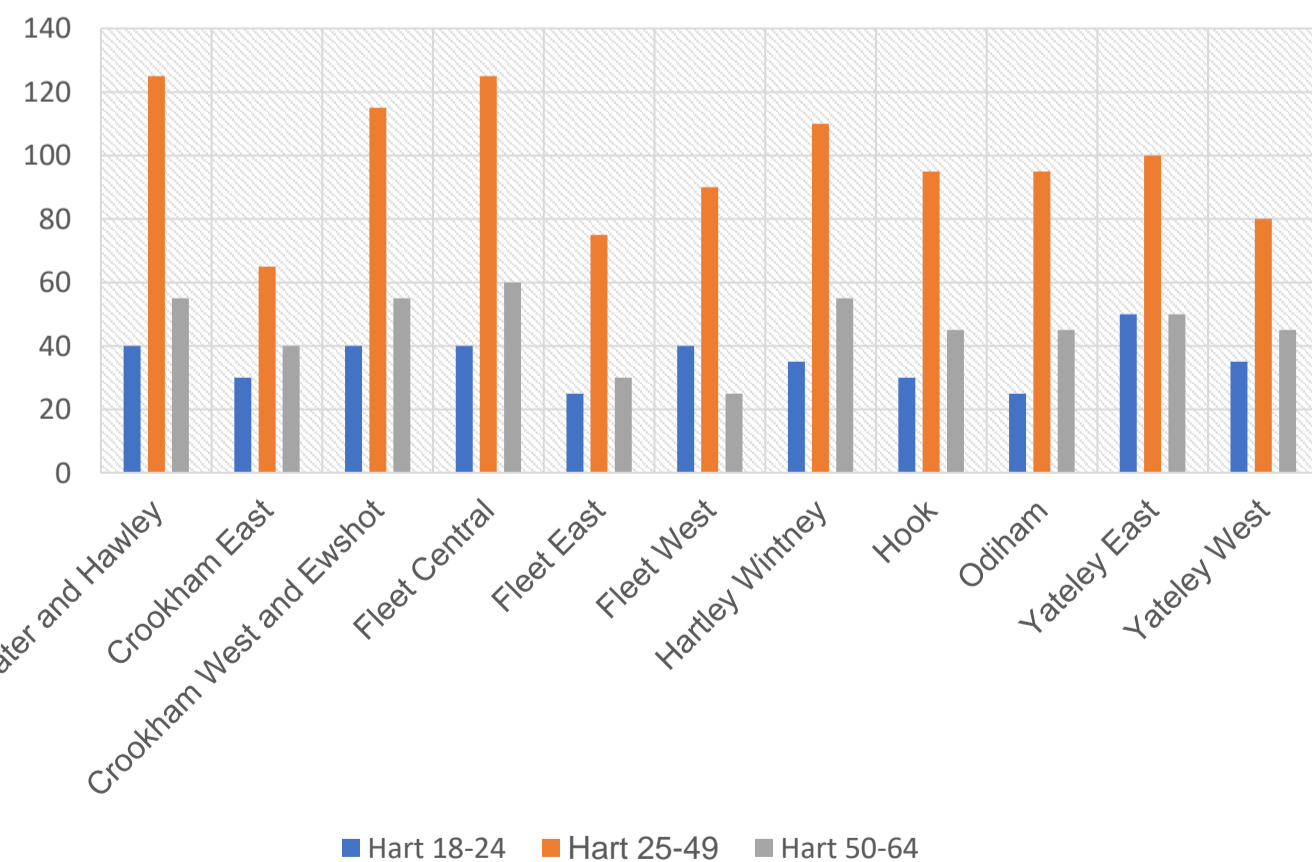


Table 2a: Unemployed Claimants 16+

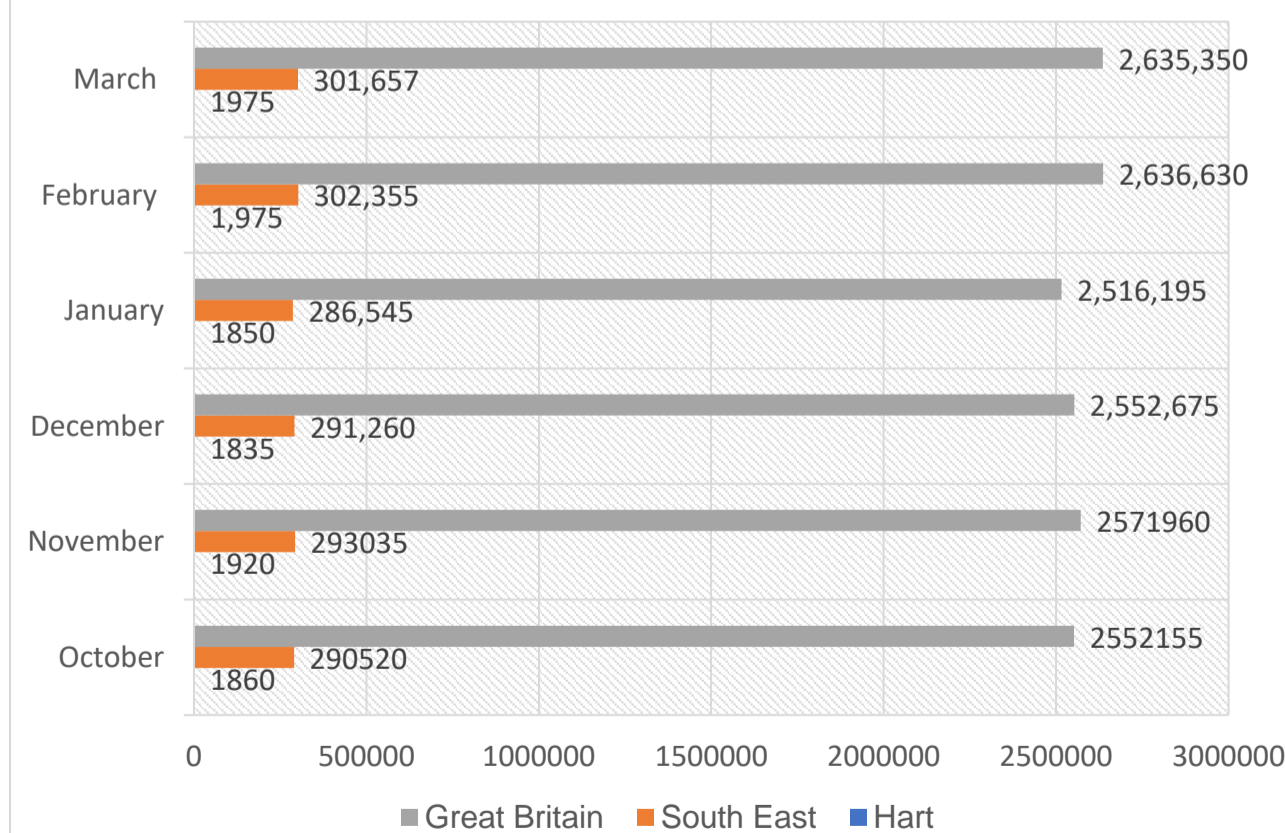


Table 6a: Unemployed Claimants February by Ward and Sex Total

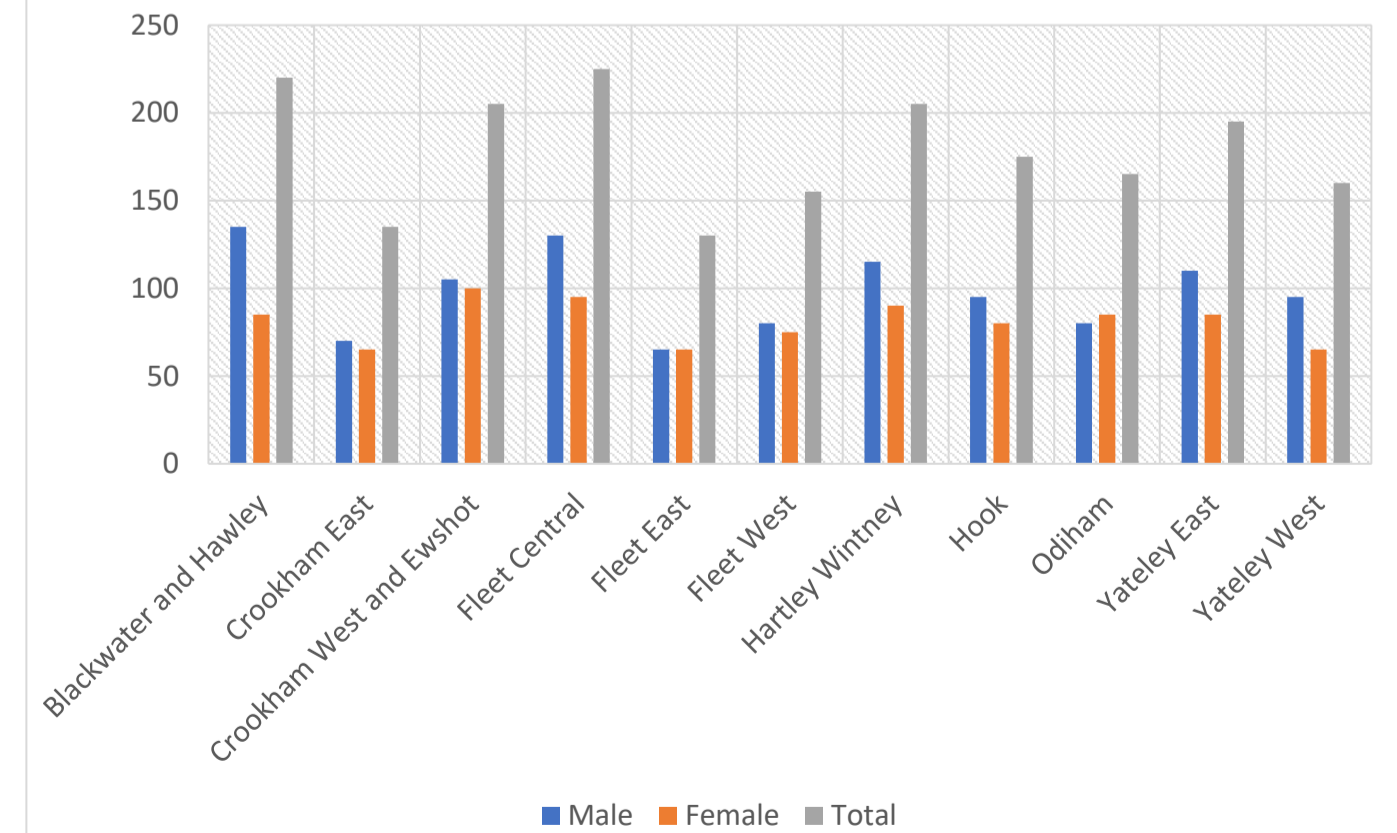


Table 4a: Yateley East had the highest raw number for 18-24 year old with 50 (+25 vs Feb). Blackwater and Hawley and Fleet Central had the highest raw number of unemployed claimants for the 25-49 bracket (125, -10 vs Feb); and Fleet Central had 60 (-5 vs Feb) in the 50-64 range.

Table 5a: This graph shows an increase across Hart, South East and Great Britain. Great Britain and South East saw a small decrease, whilst Hart remained the same.

Table 6b: Blackwater and Hawley recorded the highest raw figure for Males (135, -5 vs Feb); while Crookham West and Ewshot had the highest figure for Females (100, +5 vs Feb). With 225 claimants overall, Fleet Central had the largest number of unemployed claimants.