

# REGIONAL REVIEW

In October 1996, Scottish Unemployment fell by 7,691 to stand at 183,401. This represents a monthly fall of 4% and leaves 7.5% of the Scottish workforce without a job. The male count fell by 4,057 or by 2.8% whilst female jobless fell by 3,634 or 7.9%. Male unemployment currently stands at 141,193 or 10.4% of the male workforce and female jobless at 42,208 or 3.9% of the female workforce.

A similar pattern emerged with respect to British unemployment although the fall was relatively greater. Total unemployment fell by 118,381 or by 5.9% to stand at 1,895,671 or 7% of the British workforce. During October, male unemployment in Britain fell by 75,156 or 5% to stand at 1,429,835 or 9.4% of the male workforce, whilst female unemployment fell by 43,225 or by 8.5% to stand at 465,836 or 3.9%.

Scottish male unemployment remained above the British rate whilst the female unemployment rate in Scotland and Britain both fell to 3.9%. Scottish unemployment remained below that of GB between February 1992 and December 1993 whereas for females, the Scottish rate lay below the GB rate between May 1992 and March 1996. In total, the Scottish unemployment rate lay below its British equivalent between March 1992 and April 1994. The 4% fall in unemployment in October compares favourably with the 2.6% fall in October 1995.

The seasonally adjusted count for Scotland and the GB is set out in Table 2. Total unemployment in Scotland fell by 2,300 which represents a 1.2% fall. Male unemployment fell by 1,300 in October or 0.9% whilst female unemployment fell by 1,000 (2.2%). The corresponding GB figure shows total unemployment falling by 37,500 (1.9%) with male unemployment dropping by 28,200 (1.9%) and female unemployment falling by 9,300 (1.9%).

In October, the seasonally adjusted count stood at 189,000 or 7.8% of the Scottish workforce which remains higher than the rate posted for GB (7.1%). The relative unemployment rate captures the disparity between Scottish and British rates and is set out in Figures 4-6. A relative unemployment rate of above 100 indicates that Scottish unemployment is more adverse than nationally.

Figure 4 indicates that Scotland's relative position has been deteriorating since 1993.

In the Quarter to October 1996, seasonally adjusted unemployment fell by 5,700 or 2.9% whilst jobless in GB fell by 91,800 or 4.5%. For males and females in both Scotland and GB, unemployment fell. In the case of males, the Scottish count fell by 3,600 or 2.4% compared with a national fall of 69,100 (4.5%). The quarterly fall in female unemployed was 2,100 (4.6%) which compares with a fall of 22,700 or 4.6% in GB.

In the year to October 1996, Scottish jobless fell by 6,500 (3.3%) whilst the GB count decreased by 230,700 (10.6%). The annual fall in the GB is sharper than in Scotland for both males and females. The Scottish male count fell by 5,200 (3.5%), which is weaker than the GB male fall of 179,200 (10.8%). Female unemployment in Scotland fell by 1,300 (2.9%) while nationally the fall was 51,500 (9.9%).

As we have set out in previous commentaries, there have been large cyclical rises in unemployment, particularly in the South in the 1990-93 period. The trend in GB regional unemployment is set out in Figures 13-15. In the graphs, the South of England refers to London, the South East, the South West and East Anglia. Midlands and Wales is made up of East and West Midlands plus Wales and the North of England comprises Yorkshire & Humberside, the North West and Northern Region. In the 1990-93 period, unemployment growth was strongest the further south one looks. In consequence, the fall in unemployment has been sharpest in many areas experiencing the sharpest rises during the recession. However, unemployment remains relatively high compared to pre-recession levels, especially in the South. Only in Scotland has the jobless queue fallen back to 1990 levels.

Figures 16-18 show an initial narrowing of the relative unemployment rates. In the South of England, the relative peaked at 97.1% between January and August 1993, up from 66.7% in January 1990. Since then, the convergence towards the GB rate has continued to unwind and the relative now stands at 89.7%. In Midlands and Wales, the relative has remained fairly stable

indicating a continued pattern of unemployment similar to national rates. In the North of England, relative improved from 138.9% in January 1990 to 105.8% in the first part of 1993 and has now deteriorated to 114.1%. In 1990, the Scottish relative stood at 155.6%, fell to a low of 94.2% in July 1993 before rising to the current rate of 109.9%. It should be noted that The Labour Force Survey shows that labour market participation rates in Scotland have been falling since 1992 accounting for a considerable proportion of the jobless fall and that this effect is less evident in other regions.

Tables 16 and 17 set out the unemployment position and trends in the October 1990-1996 period. Figures 41-44 highlight the best and worst performing British TTWAs in terms of jobless change for the year to October and for the October 1990-1996 period. Figure 39 shows that in October 1996, Cumnock and Sanquhar remained the GB TTA with the Highest unemployment rate with Western Isles in fifth place and Girvan in 11th position. In Addition Forres, Irvine, Arbroath, Newton Stewart, Kilmarnock and Alloa are in the worst 25 TTWAs. Since 1990, Scottish TTWAs have tended to move down the rankings, particularly urban TTWAs with the unemployment black spots in Scotland increasingly being in rural areas.

Figure 43 indicates that Scotland accounts for 28 out of 50 GB TTWAs with the worst trend in unemployment change although in half of these areas unemployment fell; no Scottish TTWAs appeared in the 50 best performing areas. In the October 1990-1996 period, 20 of the best performing TTWAs were Scottish with Dundee, Stirling, Newton Stewart and Kilmarnock in positions 1-4 all showing falls in unemployment although it remains unclear as to how much of this is due to falling population and labour market position or to local residents gaining employment. There were two Scottish TTWAs in the 50 worst performing areas.

**Table 1**  
**Scottish and British Unemployment**  
**April 1990-96**  
**Unadjusted Time Series**  
**Scotland**

	Male			Female			Persons		
	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %
Oct 1990	143527	-0.25	10.3	49429	-3.45	4.6	192956	-1.09	7.8
Oct 1991	167328	0.21	11.8	53068	-3.47	4.9	220396	-0.70	8.8
Oct 1992	184744	0.28	12.9	55176	-2.70	5.0	239920	-0.42	9.5
Oct 1993	181081	-2.24	13.0	52910	-5.52	4.7	233991	-3.01	9.3
Oct 1994	167162	-3.15	12.1	48103	-5.96	4.4	215265	-3.79	8.7
Oct 1995	146682	-1.75	10.8	43508	-5.49	4.0	190190	-2.63	7.8
Nov 1995	147514	0.57	10.9	43586	0.18	4.0	191100	0.48	7.9
Dec 1995	151822	2.92	11.2	43771	0.42	4.1	195593	2.35	8.0
Jan 1996	159980	5.37	11.8	46847	7.03	4.3	206827	5.74	8.5
Feb 1996	158586	-0.87	11.7	46974	0.27	4.4	205560	-0.61	8.5
Mar 1996	153494	-3.21	11.3	45749	-2.61	4.2	199243	-3.07	8.2
Apr 1996	154573	0.70	11.4	46697	2.07	4.3	201270	1.02	8.3
May 1996	150524	-2.62	11.1	44212	-5.32	4.1	194736	-3.25	8.0
Jun 1996	147622	-1.93	10.9	44081	-0.30	4.1	191703	-1.56	7.9
Jul 1996	152768	3.49	11.3	53331	20.98	4.9	206099	7.51	8.5
Aug 1996	152506	-0.17	11.3	53869	1.01	5.0	206375	0.13	8.5
Sep 1996	145250	-4.76	10.7	45842	-14.90	4.2	191092	-7.41	7.9
Oct 1996	141193	-2.79	10.4	42208	-7.93	3.9	183401	-4.02	7.5
Change across previous									
month	-4057	-2.79		-3634	-7.93		-7691	-4.02	
quarter	-11575	-7.58		-11123	-20.86		-22698	-11.01	
year	-5489	-3.74		-1300	-2.99		-6789	-3.57	

**Great Britain**

	Male			Female			Persons		
	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %
Oct 1990	1172981	1.03	7.3	402881	-2.80	3.4	1575862	0.02	5.6
Oct 1991	1762595	-0.13	11.1	561954	-3.33	4.7	2324549	-0.93	8.4
Oct 1992	2070601	-0.34	13.1	637375	-3.34	5.3	2707976	-1.06	9.8
Oct 1993	2056538	-3.25	13.2	634216	-6.53	5.3	2690754	-4.04	9.8
Oct 1994	1795814	-4.07	11.7	565759	-7.16	4.7	2361573	-4.83	8.6
Oct 1995	1609778	-2.75	10.6	517020	-5.47	4.3	2126798	-3.42	7.8
Nov 1995	1604524	-0.33	10.5	507367	-1.87	4.2	2111891	-0.70	7.8
Dec 1995	1640699	2.25	10.8	503388	-0.78	4.2	2144087	1.52	7.9
Jan 1996	1698353	3.51	11.1	525854	4.46	4.4	2224207	3.74	8.2
Feb 1996	1693270	-0.30	11.1	523952	-0.36	4.4	2217222	-0.31	8.1
Mar 1996	1640528	-3.11	10.8	505841	-3.46	4.2	2146369	-3.20	7.9
Apr 1996	1628627	-0.73	10.7	509745	0.77	4.2	2138372	-0.37	7.8
May 1996	1578655	-3.07	10.4	485995	-4.66	4.1	2064650	-3.45	7.6
Jun 1996	1534013	-2.83	10.1	477652	-1.72	4.0	2011665	-2.57	7.4
Jul 1996	1549003	0.98	10.2	518275	8.50	4.3	2067278	2.76	7.6
Aug 1996	1545761	-0.21	10.1	538134	3.83	4.5	2083895	0.80	7.6
Sep 1996	1504991	-2.64	9.9	509061	-5.40	4.2	2014052	-3.35	7.4
Oct 1996	1429835	-4.99	9.4	465836	-8.49	3.9	1895671	-5.88	7.0
Change across previous									
month	-75156	-4.99		-43225	-8.49		-118381	-5.88	
quarter	-119168	-7.69		-52439	-10.12		-171607	-8.30	
year	-179943	-11.18		-51184	-9.90		-231127	-10.87	

Source: Department of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

**Table 2**  
**Scottish and British Unemployment**  
**April 1990-96**  
**Seasonally Adjusted Series**  
**Scotland**

	Male			Female			Persons		
	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %
Oct 1990	147500	0.1	10.6	51400	-0.2	4.8	198900	0.1	8.1
Oct 1991	171200	0.8	12.1	55000	-0.2	5.1	226200	0.6	9.0
Oct 1992	188100	1.1	13.1	56700	0.9	5.1	244800	1.1	9.6
Oct 1993	184400	-1.1	13.3	54500	-1.4	4.9	238900	-1.2	9.5
Oct 1994	170700	-1.8	12.4	49700	-1.4	4.6	220400	-1.7	8.9
Oct 1995	150300	-0.1	11.1	45200	-0.2	4.2	195500	-0.1	8.0
Nov 1995	150000	-0.2	11.1	45000	-0.4	4.2	195000	-0.3	8.0
Dec 1995	150900	0.6	11.1	44700	-0.7	4.1	195600	0.3	8.0
Jan 1996	149500	-0.9	11.0	44100	-1.3	4.1	193600	-1.0	8.0
Feb 1996	151000	1.0	11.2	44300	0.5	4.1	195300	0.9	8.0
Mar 1996	150200	-0.5	11.1	44800	1.1	4.2	195000	-0.2	8.0
Apr 1996	151600	0.9	11.2	45800	2.2	4.2	197400	1.2	8.1
May 1996	150900	-0.5	11.1	45700	-0.2	4.2	196600	-0.4	8.1
Jun 1996	150300	-0.4	11.1	46100	0.9	4.3	196400	-0.1	8.1
Jul 1996	148700	-1.1	11.0	46000	-0.2	4.3	194700	-0.9	8.0
Aug 1996	148200	-0.3	10.9	45800	-0.4	4.2	194000	-0.4	8.0
Sep 1996	146400	-1.2	10.8	44900	-2.0	4.2	191300	-1.4	7.9
Oct 1996	145100	-0.9	10.7	43900	-2.2	4.1	189000	-1.2	7.8

Change across previous

month	-1300	-0.89	-1000	-2.23	-2300	-1.20
quarter	-3600	-2.42	-2100	-4.57	-5700	-2.93
year	-5200	-3.46	-1300	-2.88	-6500	-3.32

Great Britain

	Male			Female			Persons		
	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %	Total	Monthly % change	Rate %
Oct 1990	1219600	3.3	7.6	411900	3.2	3.4	1631500	3.3	5.8
Oct 1991	1811700	1.7	11.4	570400	1.3	4.8	2382100	1.6	8.6
Oct 1992	2118500	1.4	13.4	642800	1.1	5.4	2761300	1.3	10.0
Oct 1993	2104100	-1.4	13.5	638900	-1.9	5.4	2743000	-1.5	10.0
Oct 1994	1844100	-1.8	12.0	570300	-1.9	4.8	2414400	-1.8	8.8
Oct 1995	1657100	-0.2	10.9	521100	0.6	4.3	2178200	0.0	8.0
Nov 1995	1641500	-0.9	10.8	516700	-0.8	4.3	2158200	-0.9	7.9
Dec 1995	1636900	-0.3	10.7	512300	-0.9	4.3	2149200	-0.4	7.9
Jan 1996	1614000	-1.4	10.6	507000	-1.0	4.2	2121000	-1.3	7.8
Feb 1996	1620300	0.4	10.6	506200	-0.2	4.2	2126500	0.3	7.8
Mar 1996	1599900	-1.3	10.5	501500	-0.9	4.2	2101400	-1.2	7.7
Apr 1996	1593300	-0.4	10.4	503100	0.3	4.2	2096400	-0.2	7.7
May 1996	1581000	-0.8	10.4	499600	-0.7	4.2	2080600	-0.8	7.6
Jun 1996	1564600	-1.0	10.3	499000	-0.1	4.2	2063600	-0.8	7.6
Jul 1996	1547000	-1.1	10.1	492300	-1.3	4.1	2039300	-1.2	7.5
Aug 1996	1533200	-0.9	10.1	488100	-0.9	4.1	2021300	-0.9	7.4
Sep 1996	1506100	-1.8	9.9	478900	-1.9	4.0	1985000	-1.8	7.3
Oct 1996	1477900	-1.9	9.7	469600	-1.9	3.9	1947500	-1.9	7.1

Change across previous

month	-28200	-1.87	-9300	-1.94	-37500	-1.89
quarter	-69100	-4.47	-22700	-4.61	-91800	-4.50
year	-179200	-10.81	-51500	-9.88	-230700	-10.59

Source: Department of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

Table 3  
Unemployment in British Regions  
Seasonally Adjusted  
Persons

	Oct 96		Oct 95		Annual Change		Oct 93		3 year change		Jul 96		Quarterly Change		Sept 96		Monthly Change	
	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)
Rest of South East	271900	5.4	321200	6.3	-49300	-15.3	445900	8.8	-174000	-39.0	289400	-17500	278700	-6800	-2.4			
East Anglia	58500	5.5	64900	6.1	-6400	-9.9	81500	7.9	-23000	-28.2	60700	-2200	59800	-1300	-2.2			
London	345700	8.5	387300	9.5	-41600	-10.7	463500	11.5	-117800	-25.4	360600	-14900	353400	-7700	-2.2			
South West	140200	5.9	161900	6.8	-21700	-13.4	210500	9.2	-70300	-33.4	148800	-8600	143400	-3200	-2.2			
West Midlands	180000	7.2	203600	8.2	-23600	-11.6	273300	10.6	-93300	-34.1	189200	-9200	183300	-3300	-1.8			
East Midlands	126900	6.6	144000	7.5	-17100	-11.9	179100	9.3	-52200	-29.1	133400	-6500	129500	-2600	-2.0			
Yorkshire & Humbersid	183200	7.8	202800	8.6	-19600	-9.7	239500	10.0	-56300	-23.5	191100	-7900	186100	-2900	-1.6			
North West	225800	7.9	245600	8.6	-19800	-8.1	313700	10.4	-87900	-28.0	234100	-8300	229300	-3500	-1.5			
Northern Region	126900	9.1	144700	10.4	-17800	-12.3	168000	11.9	-41100	-24.5	134700	-7800	129900	-3000	-2.3			
Wales	99400	7.9	106500	8.4	-7100	-6.7	128700	10.1	-29300	-22.8	102800	-3400	100500	-1100	-1.1			
Scotland	189000	7.8	195500	8.0	-6500	-3.3	238900	9.5	-49900	-20.9	194700	-5700	191300	-2300	-1.2			
South of England	816300	6.5	935300	7.4	-119000	-12.7	1201400	9.7	-385100	-32.1	859500	-43200	835300	-19000	-2.3			
Midlands & Wales	406300	7.2	454100	8.0	-47800	-10.5	581100	10.1	-174800	-30.1	425400	-19100	413300	-7000	-1.7			
North of England	535900	8.1	593100	9.0	-57200	-9.6	721200	10.6	-185300	-25.7	559900	-24000	545300	-9400	-1.7			
Great Britain	1947500	7.1	2178200	8.0	-230700	-10.6	2743000	10.0	-795500	-29.0	2039300	-91800	1985000	-37500	-1.9			
United Kingdom	2030000	7.2	2264600	8.1	-234600	-10.4	2845200	10.1	-815200	-28.7	2126000	-96000	2070800	-40800	-2.0			

Source: Dept of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

Table 4  
Unemployment in British Regions  
Seasonally Adjusted  
Males

	Oct 96		Oct 95		Annual Change		Oct 93		3 year change		Jul 96		Quarterly Change		Sept 96		Monthly Change	
	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%
Rest of South East	204500	7.3	243200	8.7	-38700	-15.9	340800	12.0	-136300	-40.0	218000	-13500	-6.2	209800	-5300	-2.5		
East Anglia	43500	7.5	48000	8.3	-4500	-9.4	61300	10.5	-17800	-29.0	45100	-1600	-3.5	44300	-800	-1.8		
London	254700	11.1	286400	12.5	-31700	-11.1	344600	14.7	-89900	-26.1	265600	-10900	-4.1	260100	-5400	-2.1		
South West	104600	8.0	120900	9.2	-16300	-13.5	159000	12.3	-54400	-34.2	110600	-6000	-5.4	106900	-2300	-2.2		
West Midlands	135700	9.6	153700	10.8	-18000	-11.7	208900	14.0	-73200	-35.0	142600	-6900	-4.8	138200	-2500	-1.8		
East Midlands	95900	9.0	109200	10.2	-13300	-12.2	137400	12.8	-41500	-30.2	101000	-5100	-5.0	98000	-2100	-2.1		
Yorkshire & Humbersid	141400	10.7	156900	11.9	-15500	-9.9	186500	13.8	-45100	-24.2	147600	-6200	-4.2	143800	-2400	-1.7		
North West	175600	11.0	190500	12.0	-14900	-7.8	245200	14.5	-69600	-28.4	182100	-6500	-3.6	178400	-2800	-1.6		
Northern Region	100200	12.7	115300	14.6	-15100	-13.1	134500	16.5	-34300	-25.5	106600	-6400	-6.0	102700	-2500	-2.4		
Wales	76800	10.8	82600	11.6	-5800	-7.0	101300	14.0	-24500	-24.2	79200	-2400	-3.0	77600	-800	-1.0		
Scotland	145100	10.7	150300	11.1	-5200	-3.5	184400	13.3	-39300	-21.3	148700	-3600	-2.4	146400	-1300	-0.9		
South of England	607300	8.7	698500	10.0	-91200	-13.1	905700	12.9	-298400	-32.9	639300	-32000	-5.0	621100	-13800	-2.2		
Midlands & Wales	308400	9.6	345500	10.8	-37100	-10.7	447600	13.6	-139200	-31.1	322800	-14400	-4.5	313800	-5400	-1.7		
North of England	417200	11.3	462700	12.5	-45500	-9.8	566200	14.7	-149000	-26.3	436300	-19100	-4.4	424900	-7700	-1.8		
Great Britain	1477900	9.7	1657100	10.9	-179200	-10.8	2104100	13.5	-626200	-29.8	1547000	-69100	-4.5	1506100	-28200	-1.9		
United Kingdom	1541500	9.8	1724600	11.0	-183100	-10.6	2183300	13.6	-641800	-29.4	1613500	-72000	-4.5	1572000	-30500	-1.9		

Source: Dept of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

Table 5  
Unemployment in British Regions  
Seasonally Adjusted  
Females

	Oct 96		Oct 95		Annual Change		Oct 93		3 year change		Jul 96		Quarterly Change		Sept 96		Monthly Change	
	abs	rate (%)	abs	rate (%)	abs	%	abs	rate (%)	abs	%	abs	rate (%)	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%
Rest of South East	67400	3.0	78000	3.4	-10600	-13.6	105100	4.7	-37700	-35.9	71400	-4000	-5.6	68900	-1500	-2.2		
East Anglia	15000	3.1	16900	3.5	-1900	-11.2	20200	4.6	-5200	-25.7	15600	-600	-3.8	15500	-500	-3.2		
London	91000	5.2	100900	5.7	-9900	-9.8	118900	7.0	-27900	-23.5	95000	-4000	-4.2	93300	-2300	-2.5		
South West	35600	3.4	41000	3.9	-5400	-13.2	51500	5.2	-15900	-30.9	38200	-2600	-6.8	36500	-900	-2.5		
West Midlands	44300	4.1	49900	4.7	-5600	-11.2	64400	5.9	-20100	-31.2	46600	-2300	-4.9	45100	-800	-1.8		
East Midlands	31000	3.7	34800	4.1	-3800	-10.9	41700	5.0	-10700	-25.7	32400	-1400	-4.3	31500	-500	-1.6		
Yorkshire & Humbersid	41800	4.0	45900	4.4	-4100	-8.9	53000	5.1	-11200	-21.1	43500	-1700	-3.9	42300	-500	-1.2		
North West	50200	4.0	55100	4.4	-4900	-8.9	68500	5.2	-18300	-26.7	52000	-1800	-3.5	50900	-700	-1.4		
Northern Region	26700	4.4	29400	4.9	-2700	-9.2	33500	5.5	-6800	-20.3	28100	-1400	-5.0	27200	-500	-1.8		
Wales	22600	4.1	23900	4.3	-1300	-5.4	27400	5.0	-4800	-17.5	23600	-1000	-4.2	22900	-300	-1.3		
Scotland	43900	4.1	45200	4.2	-1300	-2.9	54500	4.9	-10600	-19.4	46000	-2100	-4.6	44900	-1000	-2.2		
South of England	209000	3.8	236800	4.3	-27800	-11.7	295700	5.5	-86700	-29.3	220200	-11200	-5.1	214200	-5200	-2.4		
Midlands & Wales	97900	4.0	108600	4.4	-10700	-9.9	133500	5.4	-35600	-26.7	102600	-4700	-4.6	99500	-1600	-1.6		
North of England	118700	4.1	130400	4.5	-11700	-9.0	155000	5.2	-36300	-23.4	123600	-4900	-4.0	120400	-1700	-1.4		
Great Britain	469600	3.9	521100	4.3	-51500	-9.9	638900	5.4	-169300	-26.5	492300	-22700	-4.6	478900	-9300	-1.9		
United Kingdom	488500	4.0	540000	4.4	-51500	-9.5	661900	5.4	-173400	-26.2	512500	-24000	-4.7	498800	-10300	-2.1		

Source: Dept of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

**Table 6**

Vacancies in the British Regions: 1990-1996

*seasonally adjusted*

	Oct 90		Oct 93		Oct 95		Jul 96		Oct 96	
	total	shr	total	shr	total	shr	total	shr	total	shr
Rest of South East	25900	17.8	22000	17.3	30300	16.5	38600	17.3	44500	17.4
East Anglia	4000	2.8	4700	3.7	6900	3.8	8100	3.6	8900	3.5
London	9800	6.7	10300	8.1	17500	9.6	30100	13.5	36900	14.4
South West	11700	8.0	10600	8.3	15900	8.7	19400	8.7	22000	8.6
West Midlands	12200	8.4	9100	7.1	16700	9.1	19500	8.7	21600	8.4
East Midlands	9300	6.4	9000	7.1	13300	7.3	14400	6.4	17500	6.8
Yorkshire & Humberside	10600	7.3	10400	8.2	13900	7.6	16600	7.4	19600	7.7
North West	19700	13.5	16200	12.7	22500	12.3	25700	11.5	27900	10.9
Northern Region	9100	6.3	6600	5.2	8100	4.4	10500	4.7	12600	4.9
Wales	11300	7.8	10500	8.2	14000	7.6	14600	6.5	16100	6.3
Scotland	21800	15.0	18100	14.2	24200	13.2	25800	11.5	28600	11.2
South of England	51400	35.4	47600	37.3	70600	38.5	96200	43.1	112300	43.9
Midlands & Wales	32800	22.6	28600	22.4	44000	24.0	48500	21.7	55200	21.6
North of England	39400	27.1	33200	26.0	44500	24.3	52800	23.6	60100	23.5
Great Britain	145400	100.0	127500	100.0	183200	100.0	223400	100.0	256100	100.0
United Kingdom	149900	103.1	133200	104.5	190700	104.1	230100	103.0	262900	102.7

Source DEE, Fraser of Allander Institute



**Table 7**  
**Vacancy Trend: 1990-1996**  
*seasonally adjusted*

	Oct 96	Oct 90	Change 90/96		Oct 93	Change 90/93		Change 93/96		Oct 95	Change 95/96		Jul 96	Qrt Change	
			abs	%		abs	%	abs	%		abs	%		abs	%
Rest of South East	44500	25900	18600	71.8	22000	-3900	84.9	22500	102.3	30300	14200	46.9	38600	5900	15.3
East Anglia	8900	4000	4900	122.5	4700	700	117.5	4200	89.4	6900	2000	29.0	8100	800	9.9
London	36900	9800	27100	276.5	10300	500	105.1	26600	258.3	17500	19400	110.9	30100	6800	22.6
South West	22000	11700	10300	88.0	10600	-1100	90.6	11400	107.5	15900	6100	38.4	19400	2600	13.4
West Midlands	21600	12200	9400	77.0	9100	-3100	74.6	12500	137.4	16700	4900	29.3	19500	2100	10.8
East Midlands	17500	9300	8200	88.2	9000	-300	96.8	8500	94.4	13300	4200	31.6	14400	3100	21.5
Yorkshire & Humberside	19600	10600	9000	84.9	10400	-200	98.1	9200	88.5	13900	5700	41.0	16600	3000	18.1
North West	27900	19700	8200	41.6	16200	-3500	82.2	11700	72.2	22500	5400	24.0	25700	2200	8.6
Northern Region	12600	9100	3500	38.5	6600	-2500	72.5	6000	90.9	8100	4500	55.6	10500	2100	20.0
Wales	16100	11300	4800	42.5	10500	-800	92.9	5600	53.3	14000	2100	15.0	14600	1500	10.3
Scotland	28600	21800	6800	31.2	18100	-3700	83.0	10500	58.0	24200	4400	18.2	25800	2800	10.9
South of England	112300	51400	60900	118.5	47600	-3800	92.6	64700	135.9	70600	41700	59.1	96200	16100	16.7
Midlands & Wales	55200	32800	22400	68.3	28600	-4200	87.2	26600	93.0	44000	11200	25.5	48500	6700	13.8
North of England	60100	39400	20700	52.5	33200	-6200	84.3	26900	81.0	44500	15600	35.1	52800	7300	13.8
Great Britain	256100	145400	110700	76.1	127500	-17900	87.7	128600	100.9	183200	72900	39.8	223400	32700	14.6
United Kingdom	262900	149900	113000	75.4	133200	-16700	88.9	129700	97.4	190700	72200	37.9	230100	32800	14.3

Source: DEE, Fraser of Allander Institute

**Table 8**  
**U/V Ratios in the British Counties**  
**1990-1996**

	Oct 90		Oct 93		Oct 95		Jul 96		Oct 96	
	U/V	%GB	U/V	%GB	U/V	%GB	U/V	%GB	U/V	%GB
Rest of South East	7.0	62.5	20.3	94.2	10.6	89.2	7.5	82.1	6.1	80.3
East Anglia	10.3	91.6	17.3	80.6	9.4	79.1	7.5	82.1	6.6	86.4
London	23.1	205.7	45.0	209.2	22.1	186.1	12.0	131.2	9.4	123.2
South West	9.0	80.4	19.9	92.3	10.2	85.6	7.7	84.0	6.4	83.8
West Midlands	12.8	114.5	30.0	139.6	12.2	102.5	9.7	106.3	8.3	109.6
East Midlands	11.2	100.0	19.9	92.5	10.8	91.1	9.3	101.5	7.3	95.4
Yorkshire & Humberside	15.6	139.1	23.0	107.0	14.6	122.7	11.5	126.1	9.3	122.9
North West	12.1	107.5	19.4	90.0	10.9	91.8	9.1	99.8	8.1	106.4
Northern Region	13.6	121.5	25.5	118.3	17.9	150.2	12.8	140.5	10.1	132.4
Wales	7.9	70.0	12.3	57.0	7.6	64.0	7.0	77.1	6.2	81.2
Scotland	9.1	81.3	13.2	61.4	8.1	67.9	7.5	82.7	6.6	86.9
South of England	10.8	96.1	25.2	117.3	13.2	111.4	8.9	97.9	7.3	95.6
Midlands & Wales	10.7	95.1	20.3	94.4	10.3	86.8	8.8	96.1	7.4	96.8
North of England	13.4	119.2	21.7	101.0	13.3	112.1	10.6	116.2	8.9	117.3
Great Britain	11.2	100.0	21.5	100.0	11.9	100.0	9.1	100.0	7.6	100.0
United Kingdom	11.5	102.6	21.4	99.3	11.9	99.9	9.2	101.2	7.7	101.5

Source: DEE, Fraser of Allander Institute

**Table 9**  
Unemployment in the Scottish Regions  
Unadjusted Series

	rate (%)		Oct 96	Oct 95	Annual Change		Jul 96	Quarterly Change		Sept 96	Monthly Change	
	narrow	wide			abs	%		abs	%		abs	%
Borders	5.1	4.1	2001	2282	-281	-12.3	2529	-528	-23.1	2179	-178	-8.2
Central	9.3	8.2	9470	9700	-230	-2.4	10308	-838	-8.6	9900	-430	-4.3
Dum & Gall	9.1	7.7	4999	5230	-231	-4.4	5912	-913	-17.5	5242	-243	-4.6
Fife	10.9	9.2	13261	13442	-181	-1.3	15200	-1939	-14.4	13731	-470	-3.4
Grampian	4.4	3.9	12067	13059	-992	-7.6	14092	-2025	-15.5	12661	-594	-4.7
Highland	10.1	8.6	8454	9033	-579	-6.4	8754	-300	-3.3	8375	79	0.9
Lothian	6.6	5.9	23812	25455	-1643	-6.5	26416	-2604	-10.2	24957	-1145	-4.6
Strathclyde	10.2	9.0	92538	94966	-2428	-2.6	103838	-11300	-11.9	96348	-3810	-4.0
Tayside	8.9	7.7	14453	14746	-293	-2.0	16624	-2171	-14.7	15270	-817	-5.4
Orkney Is.	5.0	4.4	382	459	-77	-16.8	387	-5	-1.1	387	-5	-1.3
Shetland Is.	4.0	3.5	417	344	73	21.2	466	-49	-14.2	465	-48	-10.3
Western Isles	14.3	12.6	1547	1474	73	5.0	1573	-26	-1.8	1577	-30	-1.9
Scotland	8.6	7.5	183401	190190	-6789	-3.6	206099	-22698	-11.9	191092	-7691	-4.0
South of England	7.5	6.4	798078	916525	-118447	-12.9	861150	-63072	-6.9	847447	-49369	-5.8
Midlands & Wales	8.0	7.0	393951	441844	-47893	-10.8	432018	-38067	-8.6	421852	-27901	-6.6
North of England	8.9	7.9	520241	578239	-57998	-10.0	568011	-47770	-8.3	553661	-33420	-6.0
GB	8.1	7.0	1895671	2126798	-231127	-10.9	2067278	-171607	-8.1	2014052	-118381	-5.9
UK	8.2	7.1	1977235	2212336	-235101	-10.6	2158073	-180838	-8.2	2103721	-126486	-6.0

Source: Department of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

**Table 10**  
**Male Unemployment in the Scottish Regions**  
**Unadjusted Series**

	rate (%)		Oct 96		Oct 95		Annual Change		Jul 96		Quarterly Change		Sept 96		Monthly Change	
	narrow	wide	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%	abs	%
Borders	7.2	5.3	1468	-10.8	1645	-177	1781	-313	1781	-19.0	1551	-83	-5.4			
Central	13.2	11.2	7244	-3.4	7496	-252	7633	-389	7633	-5.2	7483	-239	-3.2			
Dum & Gall	12.2	9.8	3694	-5.5	3907	-213	4194	-500	4194	-12.8	3841	-147	-3.8			
Fife	15.1	11.8	9930	-2.4	10176	-246	10969	-1039	10969	-10.2	10152	-222	-2.2			
Grampian	5.6	4.7	8886	-7.6	9620	-734	10015	-1129	10015	-11.7	9109	-223	-2.4			
Highland	15.7	12.5	6543	-6.4	6993	-450	6671	-128	6671	-1.8	6467	76	1.2			
Lothian	9.9	8.5	18329	-6.3	19559	-1230	19864	-1535	19864	-7.8	18928	-599	-3.2			
Strathclyde	15.2	12.9	72384	-2.9	74556	-2172	77781	-5397	77781	-7.2	74551	-2167	-2.9			
Tayside	12.8	10.5	10846	-1.3	10993	-147	12057	-1211	12057	-11.0	11269	-423	-3.8			
Orkney Is.	6.7	5.6	280	-11.4	316	-36	267	13	267	4.1	281	-1	-0.4			
Shetland Is.	5.3	4.4	313	22.3	256	57	337	-24	337	-9.4	345	-32	-9.3			
Western Isles	22.9	19.1	1276	9.5	1165	111	1199	77	1199	6.6	1273	3	0.2			
Scotland	12.5	10.4	141193	-3.7	146682	-5489	152768	-11575	152768	-7.9	145250	-4057	-2.8			
South of England	10.6	8.4	588689	-13.4	679483	-90794	635667	-46978	635667	-6.9	620564	-31875	-5.1			
Midlands & Wales	11.2	9.3	297074	-11.1	334227	-37153	323467	-26393	323467	-7.9	314764	-17690	-5.6			
North of England	13.0	10.9	402879	-10.3	449386	-46507	437101	-34222	437101	-7.6	424413	-21534	-5.1			
GB	11.5	9.4	1429835	-11.2	1609778	-179943	1549003	-119168	1549003	-7.4	1504991	-75156	-5.0			
UK	11.7	9.5	1492588	-11.0	1676409	-183821	1616497	-123909	1616497	-7.4	1572351	-79763	-5.1			

Source: Department of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

**Table 11**  
**Female Unemployment in the Scottish Regions**  
**Unadjusted Series**

	rate (%)		Oct 96	Oct 95	Annual Change		Jul 96	Quarterly Change		Sept 96	Monthly Change	
	narrow	wide			abs	%		abs	%		abs	%
Borders	2.8	2.5	533	637	-104	-16.3	748	-215	-33.8	628	-95	-15.1
Central	4.7	4.4	2226	2204	22	1.0	2675	-449	-20.4	2417	-191	-7.9
Dum & Gall	5.3	4.8	1305	1323	-18	-1.4	1718	-413	-31.2	1401	-96	-6.9
Fife	6.0	5.5	3331	3266	65	2.0	4231	-900	-27.6	3579	-248	-6.9
Grampian	2.8	2.6	3181	3439	-258	-7.5	4077	-896	-26.1	3552	-371	-10.4
Highland	4.6	4.2	1911	2040	-129	-6.3	2083	-172	-8.4	1908	3	0.2
Lothian	3.1	2.9	5483	5896	-413	-7.0	6552	-1069	-18.1	6029	-546	-9.1
Strathclyde	4.7	4.4	20154	20410	-256	-1.3	26057	-5903	-28.9	21797	-1643	-7.5
Tayside	4.6	4.3	3607	3753	-146	-3.9	4567	-960	-25.6	4001	-394	-9.8
Orkney Is.	2.9	2.7	102	143	-41	-28.7	120	-18	-12.6	106	-4	-3.8
Shetland Is.	2.3	2.1	104	88	16	18.2	129	-25	-28.4	120	-16	-13.3
Western Isles	5.2	4.8	271	309	-38	-12.3	374	-103	-33.3	304	-33	-10.9
Scotland	4.2	3.9	42208	43508	-1300	-3.0	53331	-11123	-25.6	45842	-3634	-7.9
South of England	4.1	3.8	209389	237042	-27653	-11.7	225483	-16094	-6.8	226883	-17494	-7.7
Midlands & Wales	4.2	3.9	96877	107617	-10740	-10.0	108551	-11674	-10.8	107088	-10211	-9.5
North of England	4.3	4.1	117362	128853	-11491	-8.9	130910	-13548	-10.5	129248	-11886	-9.2
GB	4.2	3.9	465836	517020	-51184	-9.9	518275	-52439	-10.1	509061	-43225	-8.5
UK	4.3	3.9	484647	535927	-51280	-9.6	541576	-56929	-10.6	531370	-46723	-8.8

Source: Department of Employment, Fraser of Allander Institute

**Table 12**  
**Unemployment in the British Counties**  
**October 1996**

	Persons				Male				Female			
	count	rates		GB rank	count	rates		GB rank	count	rates		GB rank
		%	% GB			%	% GB			%	% GB	
Bedfordshire	15177	6.1	87.1	35	11103	7.9	84.0	38	4074	3.8	97.4	30
Berkshire	15367	3.7	52.9	63	11555	4.9	52.1	62	3812	2.1	53.8	64
Buckinghamshire	12571	3.8	54.3	62	9305	5.1	54.3	60	3266	2.2	56.4	61
East Sussex	26798	8.8	125.7	12	19758	12.3	130.9	10	7040	4.9	125.6	9
Essex	44674	6.9	98.6	30	32944	9.1	96.8	31	11730	4.1	105.1	22
Hampshire	37279	4.8	68.6	48	28127	6.5	69.1	49	9152	2.7	69.2	56
Hertfordshire	20447	4.3	61.4	56	15038	5.8	61.7	54	5409	2.5	64.1	59
Isle of Wight	4812	8.8	125.7	11	3626	12.3	130.9	11	1186	4.7	120.5	13
Kent	48270	7.1	101.4	28	36697	9.7	103.2	28	11573	3.8	97.4	29
Oxfordshire	10175	3.3	47.1	65	7359	4.2	44.7	65	2816	2.0	51.3	65
Surrey	15133	3.1	44.3	66	11073	4.1	43.6	66	4060	1.8	46.2	66
West Sussex	12856	3.8	54.3	61	9582	5.3	56.4	58	3274	2.1	53.8	63
Cambridgeshire	16344	4.6	65.7	52	11811	6.0	63.8	51	4533	2.8	71.8	53
Norfolk	21977	5.9	84.3	36	16332	8.1	86.2	36	5645	3.3	84.6	40
Suffolk	17001	5.2	74.3	46	12569	7.0	74.5	45	4432	3.1	79.5	43
Greater London	343670	8.5	121.4	14	251515	11.0	117.0	19	92155	5.2	133.3	4
Avon	30624	5.8	82.9	39	22691	7.7	81.9	39	7933	3.4	87.2	36
Cornwall and Isles of Scill	17607	8.3	118.6	15	13030	11.0	117.0	18	4577	4.9	125.6	10
Devon	33105	6.5	92.9	32	24644	8.8	93.6	32	8461	3.6	92.3	34
Dorset	17142	5.4	77.1	43	13013	7.5	79.8	42	4129	2.9	74.4	50
Gloucestershire	13125	4.8	68.6	49	9627	6.3	67.0	50	3498	2.9	74.4	52
Somerset	12116	5.3	75.7	44	8731	6.9	73.4	46	3385	3.3	84.6	41
Wiltshire	11808	3.9	55.7	59	8559	5.0	53.2	61	3249	2.5	64.1	58
Hereford and Worcester	16908	5.2	74.3	47	12118	6.7	71.3	47	4790	3.4	87.2	37
Shropshire	8923	4.4	62.9	55	6569	5.7	60.6	55	2354	2.8	71.8	54
Staffordshire	25781	5.7	81.4	40	19192	7.6	80.9	40	6589	3.3	84.6	39
Warwickshire	10514	4.6	65.7	53	7546	5.8	61.7	53	2968	3.0	76.9	44
West Midlands	113775	8.9	127.1	10	86330	11.7	124.5	13	27445	5.0	128.2	7
Derbyshire	29364	7.2	102.9	27	22218	9.5	101.1	30	7146	4.1	105.1	25
Leicestershire	23585	5.3	75.7	45	17448	7.1	75.5	44	6137	3.0	76.9	45
Lincolnshire	16316	5.9	84.3	38	11891	7.5	79.8	41	4425	3.7	94.9	31
Northamptonshire	13758	4.8	68.6	50	10089	6.5	69.1	48	3669	2.9	74.4	51
Nottinghamshire	38403	7.8	111.4	22	29394	10.5	111.7	22	9009	4.2	107.7	21
Humberside	33821	8.2	117.1	17	25953	11.1	118.1	17	7868	4.4	112.8	18
North Yorkshire	16876	4.7	67.1	51	12089	5.9	62.8	52	4787	3.0	76.9	46
South Yorkshire	55895	9.9	141.4	4	43571	13.6	144.7	5	12324	5.0	128.2	8
West Yorkshire	71484	7.0	100.0	29	55030	9.8	104.3	27	16454	3.7	94.9	33
Cheshire	24918	5.5	78.6	42	18756	7.3	77.7	43	6162	3.2	82.1	42
Greater Manchester	86259	7.3	104.3	26	66874	10.1	107.4	25	19385	3.7	94.9	32
Lancashire	35966	5.7	81.4	41	27928	7.9	84.0	37	8038	2.9	74.4	47
Merseyside	71308	12.0	171.4	2	55463	17.2	183.0	2	15845	5.8	148.7	1
Cumbria	14802	6.2	88.6	34	11360	8.2	87.2	35	3442	3.4	87.2	38
Cleveland	27817	11.1	158.6	3	22071	15.1	160.6	3	5746	5.5	141.0	2
Durham	19378	8.1	115.7	18	15369	11.4	121.3	15	4009	3.9	100.0	27
Northumberland	10434	8.1	115.7	21	7921	11.0	117.0	20	2513	4.5	115.4	15
Tyne and Wear	51283	9.7	138.6	5	40494	13.7	145.7	4	10789	4.6	117.9	14
Clwyd	11971	6.5	92.9	33	8973	8.5	90.4	33	2998	3.8	97.4	28
Dyfed	12190	8.1	115.7	19	9169	10.3	109.6	23	3021	5.0	128.2	6
Gwent	14582	7.6	108.6	25	11231	10.2	108.5	24	3351	4.1	105.1	24
Gwynedd	10129	9.5	135.7	6	7753	12.8	136.2	8	2376	5.2	133.3	5
Mid Glamorgan	17527	9.1	130.0	8	13920	13.2	140.4	6	3607	4.1	105.1	23
Powys	2408	4.2	60.0	57	1682	5.2	55.3	59	726	2.9	74.4	49
South Glamorgan	15585	6.8	97.1	31	12030	9.6	102.1	29	3555	3.4	87.2	35
West Glamorgan	12232	8.1	115.7	20	9521	11.6	123.4	14	2711	4.0	102.6	26
Borders region	2001	4.1	58.6	58	1468	5.3	56.4	57	533	2.5	64.1	60
Central region	9470	8.2	117.1	16	7244	11.2	119.1	16	2226	4.4	112.8	16
Dumfries and Galloway re	4999	7.7	110.0	24	3694	9.8	104.3	26	1305	4.8	123.1	12
Fife region	13261	9.2	131.4	7	9930	11.8	125.5	12	3331	5.5	141.0	3
Grampian region	12067	3.9	55.7	60	8886	4.7	50.0	63	3181	2.6	66.7	57
Highland region	8454	8.6	122.9	13	6543	12.5	133.0	9	1911	4.2	107.7	20
Lothian region	23812	5.9	84.3	37	18329	8.5	90.4	34	5483	2.9	74.4	48
Strathclyde region	92538	9.0	128.6	9	72384	12.9	137.2	7	20154	4.4	112.8	17
Tayside region	14453	7.7	110.0	23	10846	10.5	111.7	21	3607	4.3	110.3	19
Orkney Islands	382	4.4	62.9	54	280	5.6	59.6	56	102	2.7	69.2	55
Shetland Islands	417	3.5	50.0	64	313	4.4	46.8	64	104	2.1	53.8	62
Western Isles	1547	12.6	180.0	1	1276	19.1	203.2	1	271	4.8	123.1	11
Britain	1895671	7.0	100.0		1429835	9.4	100.0		465836	3.9	100.0	

Source: DEE, Fraser of Allander Institute



**Table 14**  
**Unemployment Change in British Counties**  
**July 1990-1996**

	Oct 90	Oct 93	Change 90/93		Oct 96	Change 93/96		Change 90/96		Oct 95	Change 95/96	
			abs	%		abs	%	abs	%		abs	%
Bedfordshire	10275	24514	14239	138.6	15177	-9337	-38.1	4902	47.7	17578	-2401	-13.7
Berkshire	10109	28133	18024	178.3	15367	-12766	-45.4	5258	52.0	18553	-3186	-17.2
Buckinghamshire	8103	23139	15036	185.6	12571	-10568	-45.7	4468	55.1	15351	-2780	-18.1
East Sussex	15483	37058	21575	139.3	26798	-10260	-27.7	11315	73.1	29972	-3174	-10.6
Essex	28970	70515	41545	143.4	44674	-25841	-36.6	15704	54.2	52340	-7666	-14.6
Hampshire	27807	63972	36165	130.1	37279	-26693	-41.7	9472	34.1	44303	-7024	-15.9
Hertfordshire	13899	38891	24992	179.8	20447	-18444	-47.4	6548	47.1	25794	-5347	-20.7
Isle of Wight	3691	6897	3206	86.9	4812	-2085	-30.2	1121	30.4	5437	-625	-11.5
Kent	30262	71948	41686	137.8	48270	-23678	-32.9	18008	59.5	55474	-7204	-13.0
Oxfordshire	7336	17910	10574	144.1	10175	-7735	-43.2	2839	38.7	12819	-2644	-20.6
Surrey	8678	29789	21111	243.3	15133	-14656	-49.2	6455	74.4	19089	-3956	-20.7
West Sussex	7354	23579	16225	220.6	12856	-10723	-45.5	5502	74.8	15535	-2679	-17.2
Cambridgeshire	11375	24734	13359	117.4	16344	-8390	-33.9	4969	43.7	17947	-1603	-8.9
Norfolk	16416	30893	14477	88.2	21977	-8916	-28.9	5861	33.9	25059	-3082	-12.3
Suffolk	10528	22818	12290	116.7	17001	-5817	-25.5	6473	61.5	18609	-1608	-8.6
Greater London	222707	461236	238529	107.1	343670	-117566	-25.5	120963	54.3	385639	-41969	-10.9
Avon	23421	47913	24492	104.6	30624	-17289	-36.1	7203	30.8	36676	-6052	-16.5
Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	13844	24099	10255	74.1	17607	-6492	-26.9	3763	27.2	20111	-2504	-12.5
Devon	25394	47507	22113	87.1	33105	-14402	-30.3	7711	30.4	37926	-4821	-12.7
Dorset	11409	27965	16556	145.1	17142	-10823	-38.7	5733	50.2	19821	-2679	-13.5
Gloucestershire	9194	20723	11529	125.4	13125	-7598	-36.7	3931	42.8	15056	-1931	-12.8
Somerset	8865	17696	8891	101.0	12116	-5580	-31.5	3311	37.6	13499	-1383	-10.2
Wiltshire	8904	19619	10715	120.3	11808	-7811	-39.8	2904	32.6	13937	-2129	-15.3
Hereford and Worcester	12263	25639	13376	109.1	16908	-8731	-34.1	4645	37.9	19311	-2403	-12.4
Shropshire	7735	15267	7532	97.4	8923	-6344	-41.6	1188	15.4	10597	-1674	-15.8
Staffordshire	21610	41904	20294	93.9	25781	-16123	-38.5	4171	19.3	29793	-4012	-13.5
Warwickshire	8693	18965	10272	118.2	10514	-8451	-44.6	1821	20.9	12546	-2032	-16.2
West Midlands	101873	167015	65142	63.9	113775	-53240	-31.9	11902	11.7	127091	-13316	-10.5
Derbyshire	23898	40632	16734	70.0	29364	-11268	-27.7	5466	22.9	33766	-4402	-13.0
Leicestershire	18934	34843	15909	84.0	23585	-11258	-32.3	4651	24.6	26704	-3119	-11.7
Lincolnshire	14619	22259	7640	52.3	16316	-5943	-26.7	1697	11.6	18159	-1843	-10.1
Northamptonshire	9537	22501	12964	135.9	13758	-8743	-38.9	4221	44.3	16035	-2277	-14.2
Northumberland	32512	53721	21209	65.2	39403	-15318	-28.5	5891	18.1	44054	-5651	-12.8
Humberside	30350	44123	13773	45.4	33821	-10302	-23.3	3471	11.4	38674	-4853	-12.5
North Yorkshire	12148	21973	9825	80.9	16876	-5097	-23.2	4728	38.9	19155	-2279	-11.9
South Yorkshire	53309	72964	19655	36.9	55895	-17069	-23.4	2586	4.9	61492	-5597	-9.1
West Yorkshire	64522	95517	30995	48.0	71484	-24033	-25.2	6962	10.8	78407	-6923	-8.8
Cheshire	23152	36518	13366	57.7	24918	-11600	-31.8	1766	7.6	27988	-3070	-11.0
Greater Manchester	91791	126471	34680	37.8	86259	-40212	-31.8	-5532	-6.0	96344	-10085	-10.5
Lancashire	35148	51611	16463	46.8	35966	-15645	-30.3	818	2.3	38554	-2588	-6.7
Merseyside	80260	92540	12280	15.3	71308	-21232	-22.9	-8952	-11.2	75883	-4575	-6.0
Cumbria	10619	18857	8238	77.6	14802	-4055	-21.5	4183	39.4	16786	-1984	-11.8
Cleveland	27742	37735	9993	36.0	27817	-9918	-26.3	75	0.3	31456	-3639	-11.6
Durham	19909	26729	6820	34.3	19378	-7351	-27.5	-531	-2.7	21766	-2388	-11.0
Northumberland	8588	12607	4019	46.8	10434	-2173	-17.2	1846	21.5	11536	-1102	-9.6
Tyne and Wear	53700	68835	15135	28.2	51283	-17552	-25.5	-2417	-4.5	60198	-8915	-14.8
Chwyd	9831	15797	5966	60.7	11971	-3826	-24.2	2140	21.8	12667	-696	-5.5
Dyfed	9042	13981	4939	54.6	12190	-1791	-12.8	3148	34.8	12892	-702	-5.4
Gwent	13543	20315	6772	50.0	14582	-5733	-28.2	1039	7.7	15962	-1380	-8.6
Gwynedd	8186	11521	3335	40.7	10129	-1392	-12.1	1943	23.7	10243	-114	-1.1
Mid Glamorgan	18559	24809	6250	33.7	17527	-7282	-29.4	-1032	-5.6	19241	-1714	-8.9
Powys	1830	3468	1638	89.5	2408	-1060	-30.6	578	31.6	2706	-298	-11.0
South Glamorgan	13832	21075	7243	52.4	15585	-5490	-26.0	1753	12.7	17456	-1871	-10.7
West Glamorgan	11207	15023	3816	34.1	12232	-2791	-18.6	1025	9.1	12621	-389	-3.1
Borders region	1744	2570	826	47.4	2001	-569	-22.1	257	14.7	2282	-281	-12.3
Central region	10087	12078	1991	19.7	9470	-2608	-21.6	-617	-6.1	9700	-230	-2.4
Dumfries and Galloway region	4152	5527	1375	33.1	4999	-528	-9.6	847	20.4	5230	-231	-4.4
Fife region	11827	15793	3966	33.5	13261	-2532	-16.0	1434	12.1	13442	-181	-1.3
Grampian region	8772	13230	4458	50.8	12067	-1163	-8.8	3295	37.6	13059	-992	-7.6
Highland region	7058	10755	3697	52.4	8454	-2301	-21.4	1396	19.8	9033	-579	-6.4
Lothian region	25071	32049	6978	27.8	23812	-8237	-25.7	-1259	-5.0	25455	-1643	-6.5
Strathclyde region	108710	122778	14068	12.9	92538	-30240	-24.6	-16172	-14.9	94966	-2428	-2.6
Tayside region	13353	16666	3313	24.8	14453	-2213	-13.3	1100	8.2	14746	-293	-2.0
Orkney Islands	423	470	47	11.1	382	-88	-18.7	-41	-9.7	459	-77	-16.8
Shetland Islands	345	401	56	16.2	417	16	4.0	72	20.9	344	73	21.0
Western Isles	1414	1674	260	18.4	1547	-127	-7.6	133	9.4	1474	73	5.0
Britain	1575862	2690754	1114892	70.7	1895671	-795083	-29.5	319809	20.3	2126798	-231127	-10.9

Source: DEE, Fraser of Allander Institute



**Table 15**  
Unemployment/Vacancy Ratios in the GB Counties  
July 1990-1996

	Oct 96			Oct 95			Oct 93			Oct 90		
	U/V	% GB	rank	U/V	% GB	rank	U/V	% GB	rank	U/V	% GB	rank
Bedfordshire	8.7	114.8	17	11.4	109.2	19	21.2	116.1	14	7.1	76.3	36
Berkshire	4.8	63.3	58	6.9	66.2	47	15.5	85.3	30	4.0	42.5	60
Buckinghamshire	6.0	79.9	40	9.9	94.7	27	16.3	89.5	29	4.3	45.8	59
East Sussex	11.8	155.7	8	17.9	171.7	6	31.0	170.2	4	11.6	123.6	14
Essex	8.3	110.3	19	13.0	125.0	14	21.1	116.0	15	6.8	72.2	38
Hampshire	6.1	81.2	38	7.1	68.0	45	17.3	94.9	25	6.0	64.2	43
Hertfordshire	5.3	69.7	55	7.8	75.1	38	14.0	77.1	37	4.9	52.8	55
Isle of Wight	17.2	227.4	1	24.2	232.1	1	34.1	187.4	2	14.3	152.9	8
Kent	8.4	111.1	18	13.7	131.3	13	20.9	114.6	17	8.0	85.3	27
Oxfordshire	3.6	48.1	65	5.4	52.3	60	12.1	66.5	46	3.5	36.9	63
Surrey	3.1	41.1	66	4.2	40.2	65	10.2	56.3	56	2.8	29.4	65
West Sussex	5.0	65.8	56	7.4	70.8	41	9.9	54.4	57	3.8	41.1	61
Cambridgeshire	4.5	58.9	59	5.5	52.7	59	10.6	58.1	55	7.1	75.4	37
Norfolk	9.3	123.5	12	11.3	108.2	20	20.5	112.6	19	11.7	125.0	12
Suffolk	5.7	75.5	45	8.1	77.6	36	14.2	77.9	36	5.7	61.2	46
Greater London	9.7	128.7	11	19.5	187.6	3	37.0	202.9	1	17.1	182.3	4
Avon	6.6	86.8	30	8.4	80.4	34	18.2	100.0	22	7.6	80.7	34
Cornwall & Scilly	7.5	98.6	23	12.9	124.1	15	21.4	117.5	12	11.7	125.4	11
Devon	8.7	115.1	15	12.7	121.8	16	20.7	113.9	18	9.5	101.3	21
Dorset	7.1	93.8	25	10.3	98.8	24	22.1	121.6	11	8.0	85.4	26
Gloucestershire	5.6	73.8	46	7.8	74.9	39	12.7	70.0	42	6.1	65.7	42
Somerset	6.1	80.8	39	6.5	62.4	51	17.6	96.4	24	11.0	117.4	16
Wiltshire	4.2	55.1	60	6.1	58.6	53	11.4	62.7	50	4.5	47.7	58
Hereford and Worcester	5.3	70.6	53	8.1	78.1	35	16.8	92.2	27	5.2	55.9	50
Shropshire	5.7	75.7	44	5.7	54.3	56	15.2	83.5	31	5.7	61.1	47
Staffordshire	6.4	84.0	33	8.6	82.5	29	21.4	117.4	13	8.5	90.9	25
Warwickshire	4.9	65.0	57	6.0	57.3	55	14.2	78.0	35	5.1	54.7	53
West Midlands	10.9	144.4	9	14.1	135.6	11	31.3	171.9	3	14.6	155.6	7
Derbyshire	8.3	109.1	20	10.3	99.3	22	16.7	91.8	28	8.5	91.2	23
Leicestershire	3.9	52.0	62	5.3	50.5	61	11.7	64.3	48	7.8	83.0	30
Lincolnshire	7.4	97.7	24	9.2	88.4	28	12.6	68.9	43	7.6	80.8	33
Northamptonshire	5.4	71.8	49	6.8	65.8	49	12.2	67.1	45	4.7	50.7	57
Nottinghamshire	12.4	164.5	6	17.2	165.2	8	29.8	163.5	5	17.5	186.6	3
Humberside	7.6	100.7	22	14.0	134.1	12	18.9	103.8	21	12.8	136.9	9
North Yorkshire	5.3	70.2	54	6.8	65.6	50	11.7	64.5	47	5.2	55.3	52
South Yorkshire	13.3	176.5	3	17.2	165.4	7	28.7	157.6	7	20.2	216.1	1
West Yorkshire	9.3	122.6	13	11.7	112.7	17	17.1	93.7	26	12.2	130.8	10
Cheshire	5.4	71.3	50	6.2	60.0	52	10.7	58.9	54	5.9	63.0	45
Greater Manchester	8.7	115.0	16	10.4	99.8	21	19.0	104.3	20	11.0	117.3	17
Lancashire	4.1	54.8	61	5.5	52.7	58	9.4	51.6	59	5.3	57.1	48
Merseyside	12.7	167.5	5	15.3	146.7	9	24.4	133.7	10	18.6	198.4	2
Cumbria	6.0	79.3	41	10.3	98.9	23	14.3	78.6	34	6.5	69.9	39
Cleveland	12.8	169.8	4	18.4	176.5	5	28.2	154.9	8	15.5	166.0	5
Durham	9.0	119.3	14	11.5	110.4	18	17.8	97.5	23	10.4	110.8	19
Northumberland	10.6	140.3	10	14.6	140.6	10	21.1	115.8	16	7.4	79.6	35
Tyne and Wear	12.1	160.4	7	19.5	187.2	4	25.4	139.4	9	15.3	163.9	6
Clwyd	5.4	70.7	52	6.0	58.0	54	9.5	52.4	58	5.9	63.5	44
Dyfed	6.2	81.3	35	7.2	69.4	43	10.9	59.6	53	4.8	51.2	56
Gwent	6.7	88.0	29	7.6	73.4	40	13.3	73.2	38	8.5	91.1	24
Gwynedd	5.8	76.8	43	6.9	66.0	48	11.0	60.5	51	5.1	54.0	54
Mid Glamorgan	6.2	81.8	34	8.0	77.1	37	12.9	71.1	40	11.6	123.8	13
Powys	5.8	77.2	42	5.6	54.2	57	6.8	37.1	63	3.2	34.6	64
South Glamorgan	6.1	81.3	36	8.4	80.9	33	12.4	68.0	44	7.7	82.3	31
West Glamorgan	5.4	71.0	51	5.0	47.6	64	8.9	49.0	61	7.6	81.4	32
Borders	3.9	51.1	64	5.1	49.0	62	6.5	35.7	64	3.8	40.1	62
Central	5.6	73.6	47	8.6	82.3	32	11.6	63.8	49	8.0	85.1	28
Dumfries and Galloway	6.7	88.6	28	8.6	82.4	30	7.0	38.7	62	6.4	68.2	40
Fife	7.9	104.8	21	9.9	94.8	26	14.6	80.0	33	10.8	115.5	18
Grampian	3.9	51.9	63	5.0	48.1	63	5.4	29.7	65	2.7	28.6	66
Highlands	5.5	72.9	48	6.9	66.6	46	10.9	60.1	52	6.2	66.7	41
Lothian	6.5	85.9	31	7.1	68.1	44	13.1	71.7	39	7.9	84.8	29
Strathclyde	6.4	84.8	32	7.3	69.8	42	12.8	70.0	41	9.7	103.4	20
Tayside	6.9	91.2	27	8.6	82.4	31	15.1	83.0	32	8.7	92.6	22
Orkney Islands	7.0	91.9	26	10.2	96.0	25	9.2	50.6	60	5.3	56.5	49
Shetland Islands	6.1	81.2	37	3.8	36.7	66	4.0	22.0	66	5.2	55.9	51
Western Isles	15.0	198.9	2	22.0	211.4	2	28.9	158.5	6	11.3	120.8	15
Scotland	6.2	81.5		7.3	70.2		11.6	63.9		8.0	85.7	
South of England	7.5	99.0		11.6	111.4		21.3	116.9		8.8	93.7	
Midlands & Wales	7.2	95.5		9.1	87.1		17.2	94.2		8.9	95.3	
North of England	8.7	114.5		11.4	110.0		18.1	99.4		11.2	119.9	
Britain	7.6	100.0		10.4	100.0		18.2	100.0		9.4	100.0	

Source: DEE, Fraser of Allander Institute

Table 16  
Unemployment in Scottish TTWAs  
October 1996

	Male					Female						
		rate	rank				rate	rank				
	%	% GB	% Scot	GB	Scot	%	% GB	% Scot	GB	Scot		
Aberdeen	5502	4.0	42.6	38.5	303	60	1935	2.3	59.0	59.0	283	57
Alloa	1558	13.0	138.3	125.0	36	14	464	6.2	159.0	159.0	10	5
Annan	439	7.0	74.5	67.3	200	47	166	3.7	94.9	94.9	158	38
Arbroath	834	13.7	145.7	131.7	30	12	353	7.1	182.1	182.1	4	3
Ayr	3015	10.8	114.9	103.8	82	23	1024	4.3	110.3	110.3	99	29
Badenoch	264	9.2	97.9	88.5	127	33	103	3.8	97.4	97.4	148	35
Banff	376	5.0	53.2	48.1	275	56	142	2.4	61.5	61.5	281	56
Bathgate	3217	10.2	108.5	98.1	101	29	928	3.9	100.0	100.0	130	33
Berwickshire	271	5.6	59.6	53.8	253	54	102	4.4	112.8	112.8	97	28
Blairgowrie and Pitlochry	553	7.0	74.5	67.3	199	46	206	3.4	87.2	87.2	182	43
Brechin and Montrose	837	8.5	90.4	81.7	148	35	335	4.5	115.4	115.4	90	25
Buckie	303	10.4	110.6	100.0	98	27	91	3.7	94.9	94.9	160	40
Campbeltown	322	10.7	113.8	102.9	88	25	118	6.2	159.0	159.0	12	7
Crieff	213	7.0	74.5	67.3	202	49	86	3.5	89.7	89.7	174	42
Cumnock and Sanquhar	1865	23.2	246.8	223.1	1	1	410	6.5	166.7	166.7	6	4
Dumbarton	2528	14.3	152.1	137.5	25	11	823	5.5	141.0	141.0	29	12
Dumfries	1388	9.3	98.9	89.4	123	32	485	4.2	107.7	107.7	108	30
Dundee	6654	12.7	135.1	122.1	41	15	2022	4.8	123.1	123.1	65	18
Dunfermline	3638	11.5	122.3	110.6	70	22	1082	4.7	120.5	120.5	75	21
Dunoon and Bute	776	12.3	130.9	118.3	51	18	242	4.9	125.6	125.6	60	17
Edinburgh	14381	8.3	88.3	79.8	153	36	4311	2.8	71.8	71.8	246	49
Elgin	863	7.8	83.0	75.0	173	40	361	3.8	97.4	97.4	146	34
Falkirk	4073	11.5	122.3	110.6	69	21	1251	4.9	125.6	125.6	58	16
Forfar	462	7.1	75.5	68.3	193	45	233	4.5	115.4	115.4	91	26
Forres	373	16.2	172.3	155.8	11	3	101	5.2	133.3	133.3	49	14
Fraserburgh	241	5.2	55.3	50.0	267	55	71	2.0	51.3	51.3	301	59
Galashiels	479	4.6	48.9	44.2	286	57	162	1.8	46.2	46.2	312	60
Girvan	352	15.2	161.7	146.2	16	5	130	7.4	189.7	189.7	2	1
Glasgow	41285	12.3	130.9	118.3	49	17	11225	4.1	105.1	105.1	112	32
Greenock	2390	10.7	113.8	102.9	86	24	603	2.8	71.8	71.8	249	50
Haddington	545	7.5	79.8	72.1	181	41	167	2.4	61.5	61.5	280	55
Hawick	361	7.3	77.7	70.2	184	42	110	2.5	64.1	64.1	274	53
Huntly	216	7.0	74.5	67.3	201	48	100	4.6	117.9	117.9	86	24
Invergordon and Dingwall	1380	16.0	170.2	153.8	13	4	344	5.8	148.7	148.7	20	10
Inverness	2682	11.7	124.5	112.5	64	20	765	3.7	94.9	94.9	154	37
Irvine	4425	14.9	158.5	143.3	19	7	1399	6.0	153.8	153.8	16	9
Islay/Mid Argyll	330	10.1	107.4	97.1	107	30	97	3.8	97.4	97.4	149	36
Keith	243	6.0	63.8	57.7	240	52	84	3.1	79.5	79.5	216	47
Kelso and Jedburgh	150	4.1	43.6	39.4	302	59	73	2.5	64.1	64.1	275	54
Kilmarnock	2601	14.3	152.1	137.5	24	10	862	5.7	146.2	146.2	23	11
Kirkcaldy	5210	13.5	143.6	129.8	33	13	1770	6.1	156.4	156.4	13	8
Lanarkshire	12401	14.8	157.4	142.3	20	8	3153	4.6	117.9	117.9	80	22
Lochaber	395	7.9	84.0	76.0	168	38	146	3.2	82.1	82.1	201	45
Lockerbie	273	8.7	92.6	83.7	143	34	110	5.5	141.0	141.0	30	13
Newton Stewart	329	12.6	134.0	121.2	43	16	117	7.4	189.7	189.7	3	2
North East Fife	950	7.8	83.0	75.0	172	39	405	4.6	117.9	117.9	84	23
Oban	383	6.4	68.1	61.5	221	50	167	3.6	92.3	92.3	168	41
Orkney Islands	280	5.6	59.6	53.8	252	53	102	2.7	69.2	69.2	263	52
Peebles	207	7.2	76.6	69.2	189	44	86	3.4	87.2	87.2	183	44
Perth	1452	7.2	76.6	69.2	187	43	484	3.0	76.9	76.9	225	48
Peterhead	617	6.2	66.0	59.6	231	51	207	2.8	71.8	71.8	253	51
Shetland Islands	313	4.4	46.8	42.3	290	58	104	2.1	53.8	53.8	298	58
Skye and Wester Ross	486	10.5	111.7	101.0	92	26	172	4.2	107.7	107.7	111	31
Stewartry	478	7.9	84.0	76.0	167	37	177	5.0	128.2	128.2	55	15
Stirling	1860	9.4	100.0	90.4	118	31	608	3.1	79.5	79.5	210	46
Stranraer	562	10.3	109.6	99.0	100	28	182	4.8	123.1	123.1	72	20
Sutherland	460	14.4	153.2	138.5	23	9	156	6.2	159.0	159.0	11	6
Thurso	437	11.8	125.5	113.5	63	19	122	4.4	112.8	112.8	96	27
Western Isles	1276	19.1	203.2	183.7	2	2	271	4.8	123.1	123.1	71	19
Wick	439	15.1	160.6	145.2	17	6	103	3.7	94.9	94.9	159	39

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	Oct 1996					Oct 1995						
	rate	%		rank		rate	%		rank			
		% GB	% Scot	GB	Scot		% GB	% Scot	GB	Scot		
Aberdeen	7437	3.3	47.1	44.0	298	59	8006	3.6	46.2	46.2	305	59
Alloa	2022	10.4	148.6	138.7	25	11	2172	11.1	142.3	142.3	30	10
Annan	605	5.6	80.0	74.7	184	42	615	5.7	73.1	73.1	216	46
Arbroath	1187	10.7	152.9	142.7	20	8	1297	11.7	150.0	150.0	23	6
Ayr	4639	7.8	111.4	104.0	94	25	3793	7.3	93.6	93.6	138	30
Badenoch	367	6.6	94.3	88.0	144	35	370	6.6	84.6	84.6	166	36
Banff	518	3.9	55.7	52.0	276	55	602	4.5	57.7	57.7	276	56
Bathgate	4145	7.5	107.1	100.0	104	26	4177	7.5	96.2	96.2	128	25
Berwickshire	373	5.2	74.3	69.3	212	49	398	5.6	71.8	71.8	229	49
Blaigowrie and Pitlochry	759	5.4	77.1	72.0	195	45	749	5.4	69.2	69.2	238	52
Brechin and Montrose	1172	6.8	97.1	90.7	133	33	1288	7.4	94.9	94.9	132	26
Buckie	394	7.3	104.3	97.3	117	30	399	7.4	94.9	94.9	136	29
Campbeltown	440	9.0	128.6	120.0	52	18	424	8.7	111.5	111.5	86	22
Crieff	299	5.4	77.1	72.0	196	46	357	6.5	83.3	83.3	176	38
Cumnock and Sanquhar	2275	15.9	227.1	212.0	1	1	2284	15.9	203.8	203.8	1	1
Dumbarton	3351	10.3	147.1	137.3	28	13	3262	10.0	128.2	128.2	52	13
Dumfries	1873	7.1	101.4	94.7	120	31	1915	7.2	92.3	92.3	142	31
Dundee	8676	9.2	131.4	122.7	45	16	8507	9.0	115.4	115.4	80	20
Dunfermline	4720	8.7	124.3	116.0	63	20	5019	9.2	117.9	117.9	74	18
Dunoon and Bute	1018	9.1	130.0	121.3	50	17	1119	10.0	128.2	128.2	53	14
Edinburgh	18692	5.7	81.4	76.0	178	41	20274	6.2	79.5	79.5	191	42
Elgin	1224	6.0	85.7	80.0	164	38	1305	6.4	82.1	82.1	182	41
Falkirk	5324	8.7	124.3	116.0	62	19	5332	8.7	111.5	111.5	83	21
Forfar	695	5.9	84.3	78.7	170	40	700	6.0	76.9	76.9	206	43
Forres	474	11.2	160.0	149.3	14	5	499	11.8	151.3	151.3	19	5
Fraserburgh	312	3.8	54.3	50.7	280	56	374	4.6	59.0	59.0	273	55
Galashiels	641	3.3	47.1	44.0	300	60	748	3.9	50.0	50.0	292	57
Girvan	482	11.8	168.6	157.3	11	4	531	13.0	166.7	166.7	10	3
Glasgow	52510	8.6	122.9	114.7	66	21	55474	9.1	116.7	116.7	76	19
Greenock	2993	6.9	98.6	92.0	126	32	3109	7.1	91.0	91.0	149	33
Haddington	712	5.0	71.4	66.7	221	51	789	5.5	70.5	70.5	231	50
Hawick	471	5.1	72.9	68.0	216	50	540	5.8	74.4	74.4	215	45
Huntly	316	6.0	85.7	80.0	166	39	303	5.7	73.1	73.1	217	47
Invergordon and Dingwall	1724	11.8	168.6	157.3	10	3	1958	13.4	171.8	171.8	6	2
Inverness	3447	7.9	112.9	105.3	92	24	3571	8.2	105.1	105.1	101	24
Irvine	5824	11.0	157.1	146.7	16	6	5916	11.2	143.6	143.6	29	9
Islay/Mid Argyll	427	7.4	105.7	98.7	110	29	418	7.2	92.3	92.3	143	32
Keith	327	4.8	68.6	64.0	232	53	375	5.5	70.5	70.5	232	51
Kelso and Jedburgh	223	3.4	48.6	45.3	297	58	249	3.8	48.7	48.7	302	58
Kilmarnock	3463	10.4	148.6	138.7	24	10	3371	10.1	129.5	129.5	45	12
Kirkcaldy	6980	10.3	147.1	137.3	27	12	6804	10.1	129.5	129.5	43	11
Lanarkshire	15554	10.2	145.7	136.0	29	14	15143	9.9	126.9	126.9	55	16
Lochaber	541	5.6	80.0	74.7	185	43	642	6.7	85.9	85.9	162	35
Lockerbie	383	7.5	107.1	100.0	107	28	348	6.8	87.2	87.2	159	34
Newton Stewart	446	10.7	152.9	142.7	21	9	486	11.6	148.7	148.7	24	7
North East Fife	1355	6.4	91.4	85.3	148	36	1381	6.5	83.3	83.3	172	37
Oban	550	5.2	74.3	69.3	211	48	565	5.3	67.9	67.9	246	53
Orkney Islands	382	4.4	62.9	58.7	255	54	459	5.3	67.9	67.9	247	54
Peebles	293	5.5	78.6	73.3	188	44	347	6.5	83.3	83.3	177	39
Perth	1936	5.3	75.7	70.7	202	47	2110	5.8	74.4	74.4	211	44
Peterhead	824	4.8	68.6	64.0	229	52	958	5.6	71.8	71.8	227	48
Shetland Islands	417	3.5	50.0	46.7	295	57	344	2.9	37.2	37.2	320	60
Skye and Wester Ross	658	7.5	107.1	100.0	106	27	642	7.4	94.9	94.9	135	28
Stewartry	655	6.8	97.1	90.7	134	34	715	7.4	94.9	94.9	134	27
Stirling	2468	6.2	88.6	82.7	155	37	2532	6.4	82.1	82.1	180	40
Stranraer	744	8.0	114.3	106.7	87	23	801	8.6	110.3	110.3	89	23
Sutherland	616	10.8	154.3	144.0	18	7	651	11.4	146.2	146.2	26	8
Thurso	559	8.6	122.9	114.7	71	22	629	9.7	124.4	124.4	63	17
Western Isles	1547	12.6	180.0	168.0	5	2	1474	12.0	153.8	153.8	18	4
Wick	542	9.5	135.7	126.7	40	15	570	10.0	128.2	128.2	54	15

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	Oct 1993	rate			rank		Oct 1990	rate			rank	
		%	% GB	% Scot	GB	Scot		%	% GB	% Scot	GB	Scot
Aberdeen	7772	3.6	36.7	38.7	319	59	5013	2.4	42.1	30.8	298	60
Alloa	2450	13.1	133.7	140.9	24	6	2084	10.6	186.0	135.9	11	4
Annan	729	6.7	68.4	72.0	255	44	511	4.6	80.7	59.0	176	46
Arbroath	1236	10.9	111.2	117.2	81	19	994	8.7	152.6	111.5	35	17
Ayr	4460	8.1	82.7	87.1	189	30	3497	6.4	112.3	82.1	101	28
Badenoch	434	8.5	86.7	91.4	174	29	248	4.7	82.5	60.3	170	44
Banff	609	5.0	51.0	53.8	304	55	490	4.2	73.7	53.8	192	49
Bathgate	5520	9.9	101.0	106.5	107	23	4636	8.6	150.9	110.3	37	19
Berwickshire	471	6.3	64.3	67.7	272	48	286	4.1	71.9	52.6	206	53
Blairgowrie and Pitlochry	882	6.2	63.3	66.7	275	49	596	4.2	73.7	53.8	191	48
Brechin and Montrose	1341	7.5	76.5	80.6	211	34	910	5.4	94.7	69.2	133	36
Buckie	433	8.9	90.8	95.7	153	28	284	5.6	98.2	71.8	124	34
Campbeltown	478	9.7	99.0	104.3	113	24	360	7.3	128.1	93.6	68	25
Crieff	357	6.9	70.4	74.2	245	42	190	3.8	66.7	48.7	220	54
Cumnock and Sanquhar	2787	18.4	187.8	197.8	2	1	2427	15.7	275.4	201.3	1	1
Dumbarton	4018	11.3	115.3	121.5	63	14	3169	9.4	164.9	120.5	25	13
Dumfries	1906	6.5	66.3	69.9	259	45	1409	5.0	87.7	64.1	151	40
Dundee	10165	10.7	109.2	115.1	85	20	8567	8.7	152.6	111.5	34	16
Dunfermline	6098	10.9	111.2	117.2	79	18	4524	8.2	143.9	105.1	42	22
Dunoon and Bute	1281	11.1	113.3	119.4	70	15	925	8.2	143.9	105.1	45	23
Edinburgh	25143	7.4	75.5	79.6	213	36	19473	5.9	103.5	75.6	111	31
Elgin	1421	7.3	74.5	78.5	224	40	951	5.0	87.7	64.1	152	41
Falkirk	7058	10.5	107.1	112.9	93	21	5842	8.5	149.1	109.0	38	20
Forfar	811	7.5	76.5	80.6	212	35	595	5.2	91.2	66.7	145	39
Forres	646	16.9	172.4	181.7	3	2	311	8.4	147.4	107.7	41	21
Fraserburgh	528	6.3	64.3	67.7	271	47	415	4.5	78.9	57.7	182	47
Galashiels	807	4.3	43.9	46.2	311	58	572	3.0	52.6	38.5	272	57
Girvan	572	12.5	127.6	134.4	34	8	507	10.7	187.7	137.2	9	3
Glasgow	71029	11.0	112.2	118.3	72	16	65130	9.9	173.7	126.9	18	10
Greenock	4884	11.4	116.3	122.6	62	13	5259	12.2	214.0	156.4	4	2
Haddington	1084	7.4	75.5	79.6	217	38	756	5.5	96.5	70.5	130	35
Hawick	555	5.9	60.2	63.4	289	52	388	4.1	71.9	52.6	204	52
Huntly	260	5.9	60.2	63.4	290	53	144	3.3	57.9	42.3	253	56
Invergordon and Dingwall	2410	13.7	139.8	147.3	19	4	1533	9.6	168.4	123.1	22	12
Inverness	4293	8.9	90.8	95.7	148	27	2371	5.3	93.0	67.9	138	38
Irvine	7775	13.3	135.7	143.0	22	5	6195	10.4	182.5	133.3	15	8
Islay/Mid Argyll	434	8.0	81.6	86.0	195	32	351	6.3	110.5	80.8	104	29
Keith	427	6.4	65.3	68.8	264	46	228	3.5	61.4	44.9	242	55
Kelso and Jedburgh	300	4.5	45.9	48.4	310	57	198	3.0	52.6	38.5	275	58
Kilmarnock	4350	12.2	124.5	131.2	38	9	3451	9.7	170.2	124.4	20	11
Kirkcaldy	7981	12.0	122.4	129.0	41	10	6150	9.1	159.6	116.7	28	14
Lanarkshire	20529	12.9	131.6	138.7	27	7	17318	10.4	182.5	133.3	14	7
Lochaber	946	9.6	98.0	103.2	116	25	646	6.7	117.5	85.9	87	26
Lockerbie	332	6.9	70.4	74.2	246	43	227	4.8	84.2	61.5	162	43
Newton Stewart	594	14.9	152.0	160.2	10	3	444	10.4	182.5	133.3	17	9
North East Fife	1498	7.1	72.4	76.3	234	41	962	4.6	80.7	59.0	175	45
Oban	632	5.9	60.2	63.4	288	51	434	4.2	73.7	53.8	194	50
Orkney Islands	470	4.5	45.9	48.4	309	56	423	4.1	71.9	52.6	203	51
Peebles	437	8.0	81.6	86.0	194	31	300	5.6	98.2	71.8	123	33
Perth	2123	6.0	61.2	64.5	283	50	1677	4.8	84.2	61.5	159	42
Peterhead	889	5.7	58.2	61.3	291	54	808	5.4	94.7	69.2	134	37
Shetland Islands	401	3.3	33.7	35.5	322	60	345	2.8	49.1	35.9	285	59
Skye and Wester Ross	781	9.1	92.9	97.8	138	26	594	6.7	117.5	85.9	88	27
Stewartry	696	7.4	75.5	79.6	218	39	524	5.6	98.2	71.8	122	32
Stirling	2980	7.4	75.5	79.6	214	37	2442	6.1	107.0	78.2	107	30
Stranraer	923	10.1	103.1	108.6	104	22	792	8.7	152.6	111.5	36	18
Sutherland	657	11.9	121.4	128.0	45	11	494	9.0	157.9	115.4	30	15
Thurso	624	7.8	79.6	83.9	198	33	597	7.4	129.8	94.9	64	24
Western Isles	1674	11.8	120.4	126.9	48	12	1414	10.6	186.0	135.9	12	5
Wick	610	11.0	112.2	118.3	75	17	575	10.6	186.0	135.9	13	6

**Table 17**  
Unemployment Change in Scottish TTWAs  
1990-1996

	Oct 96	Oct 90	Change 90/96		Ranked Ch vs		Oct 95	Change 95/96		Ranked Ch vs	
			abs	%	GB	Scot		abs	%	GB	Scot
Aberdeen	7437	5013	2424	48.4	62	5	8006	-569	-7.1	84	37
Alloa	2022	2084	-62	-3.0	287	44	2172	-150	-6.9	81	36
Annan	605	511	94	18.4	199	24	615	-10	-1.6	32	22
Arbroath	1187	994	193	19.4	194	23	1297	-110	-8.5	108	43
Ayr	4039	3497	542	15.5	218	26	3793	246	6.5	6	3
Badenoch	367	248	119	48.0	64	6	370	-3	-0.8	28	19
Banff	518	490	28	5.7	262	36	602	-84	-14.0	230	53
Bathgate	4145	4636	-491	-10.6	310	56	4177	-32	-0.8	27	18
Berwickshire	373	286	87	30.4	149	12	398	-25	-6.3	74	35
Blairgowrie and Pitlochry	759	596	163	27.3	159	15	749	10	1.3	21	14
Brechin and Montrose	1172	910	262	28.8	153	13	1288	-116	-9.0	115	44
Buckie	394	284	110	38.7	113	10	399	-5	-1.3	29	20
Campbeltown	440	360	80	22.2	172	19	424	16	3.8	10	6
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Western Isles	1547	1414	133	9.4	245	34	1474	73	5.0	8	4
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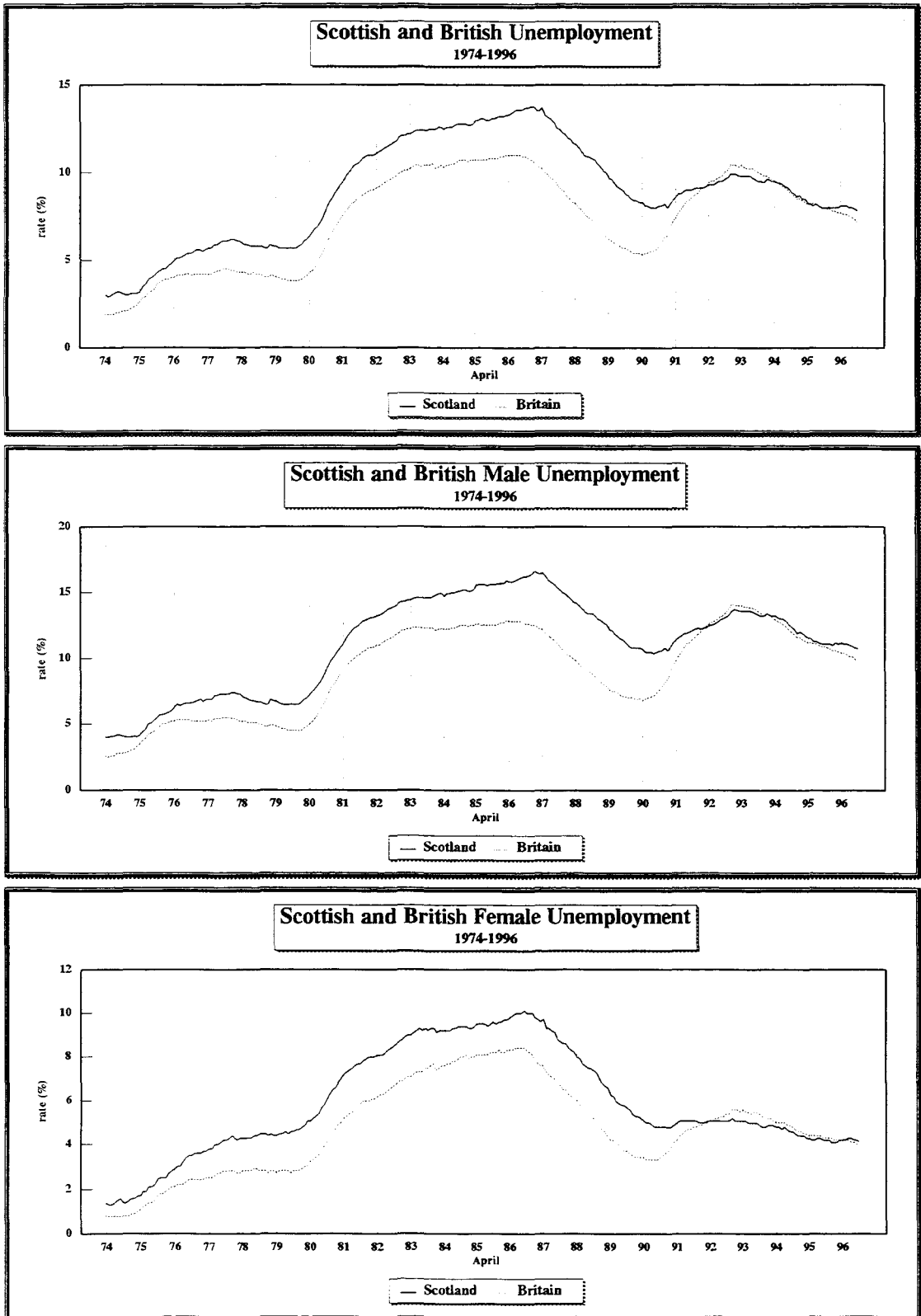


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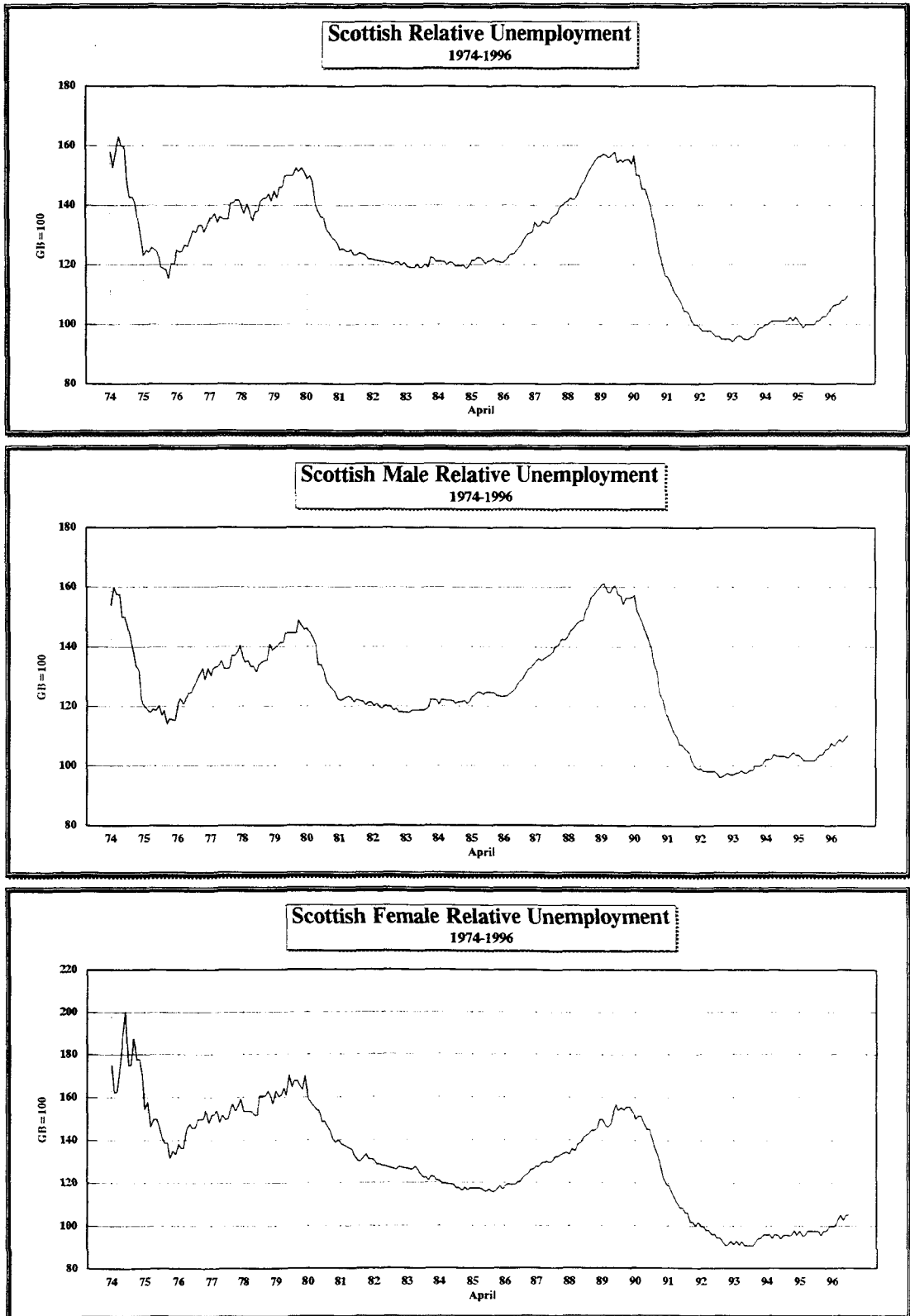


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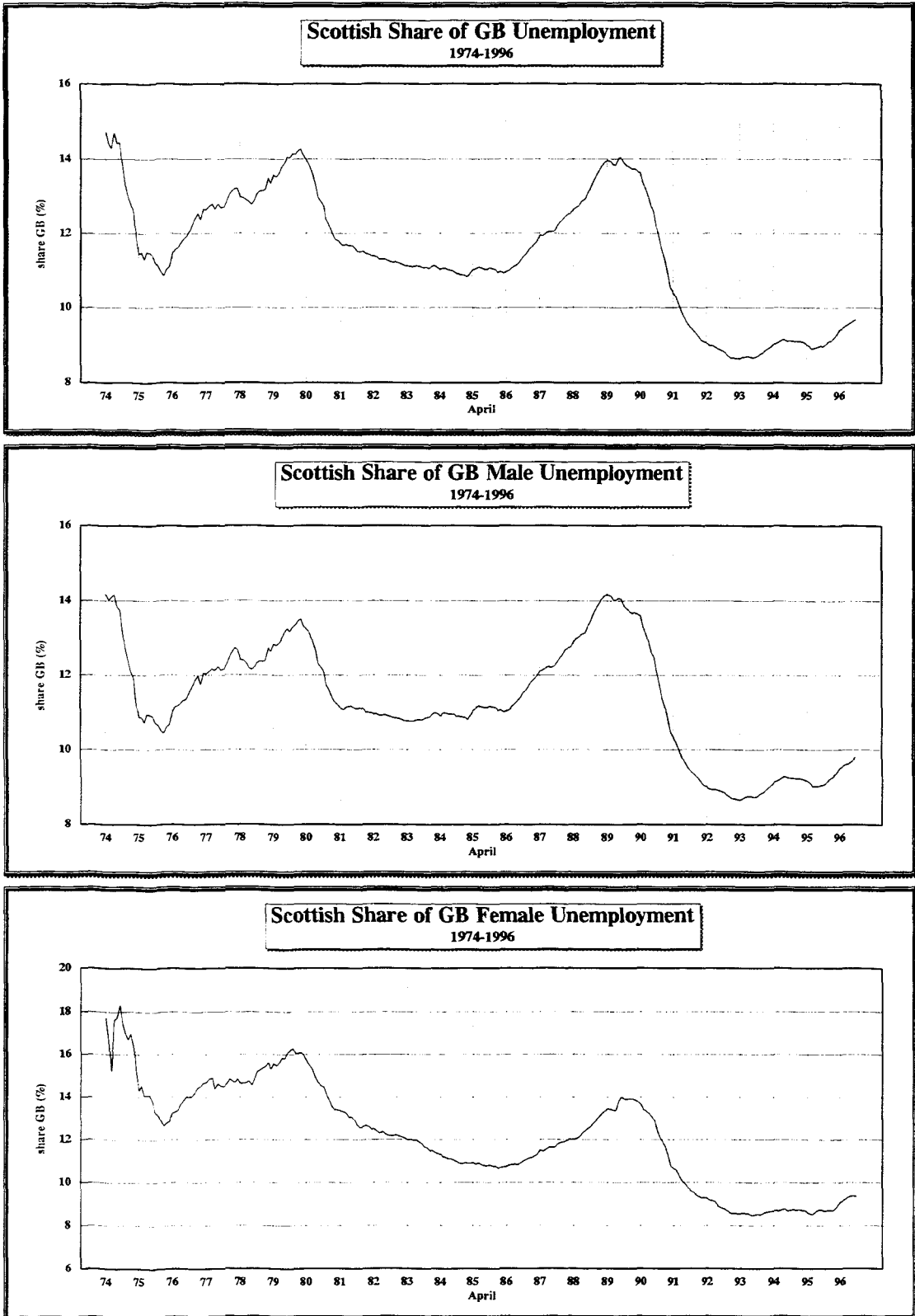
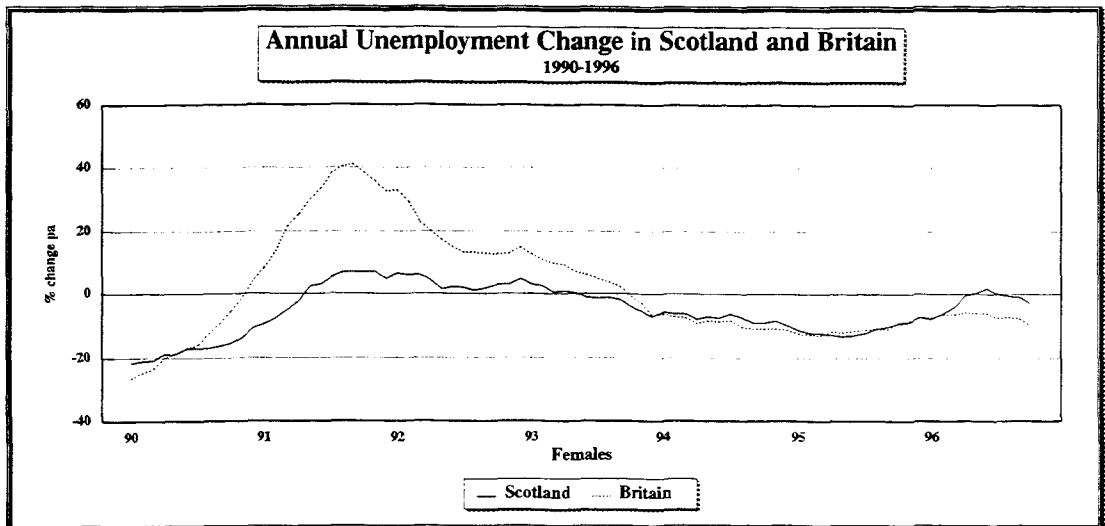
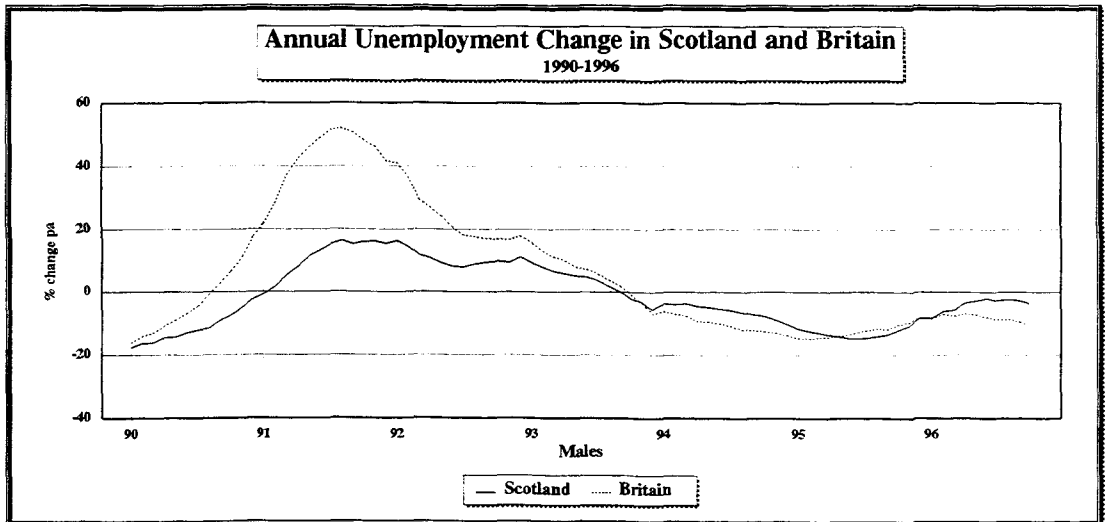
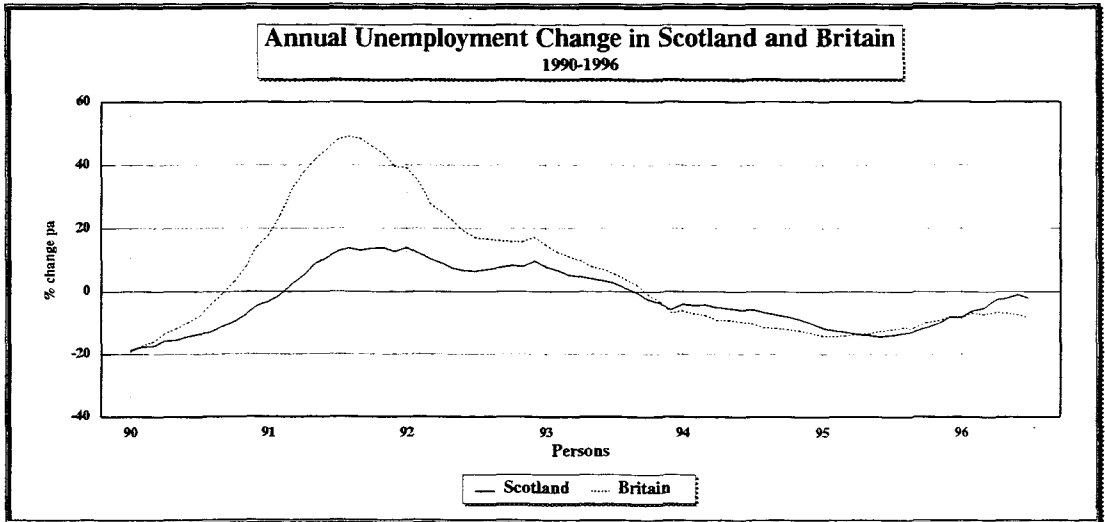
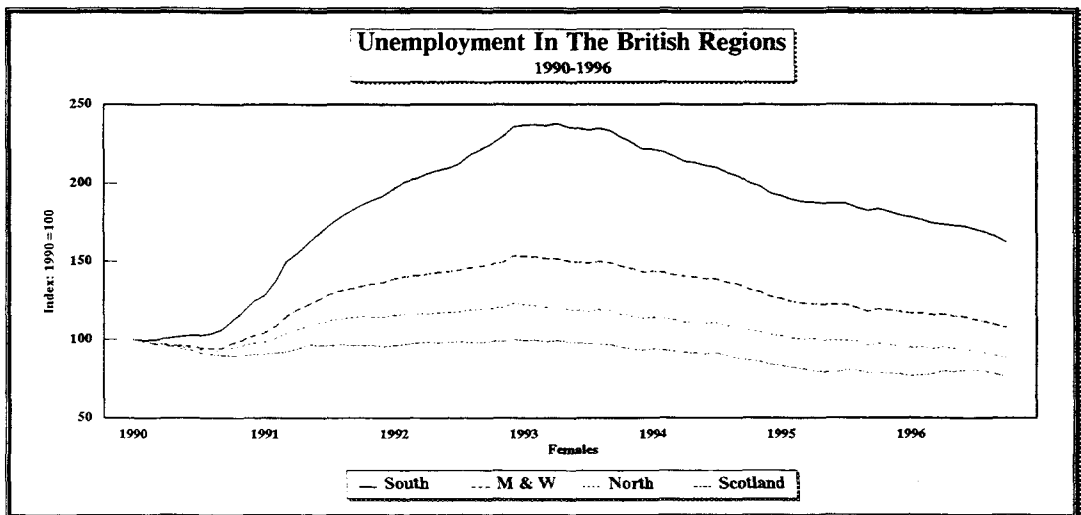
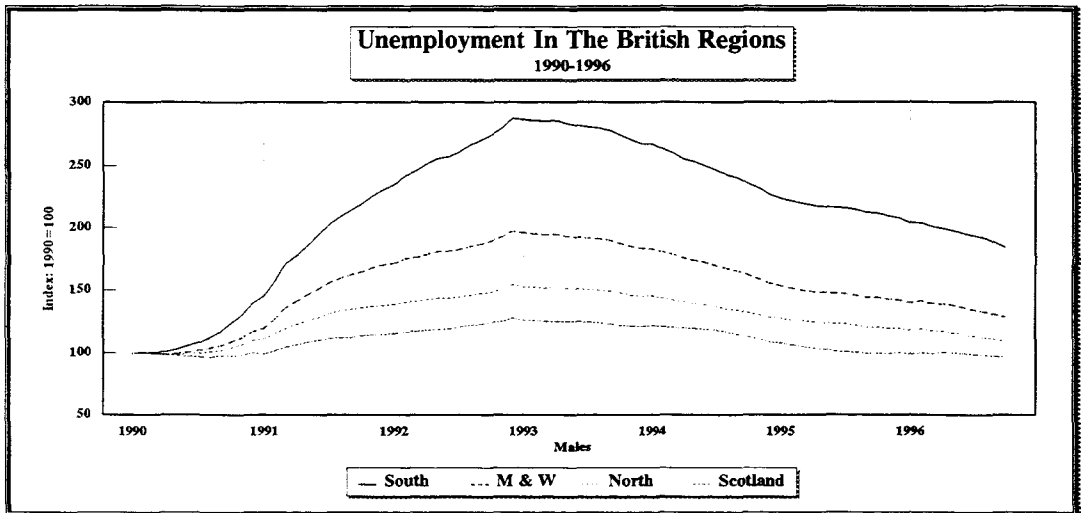
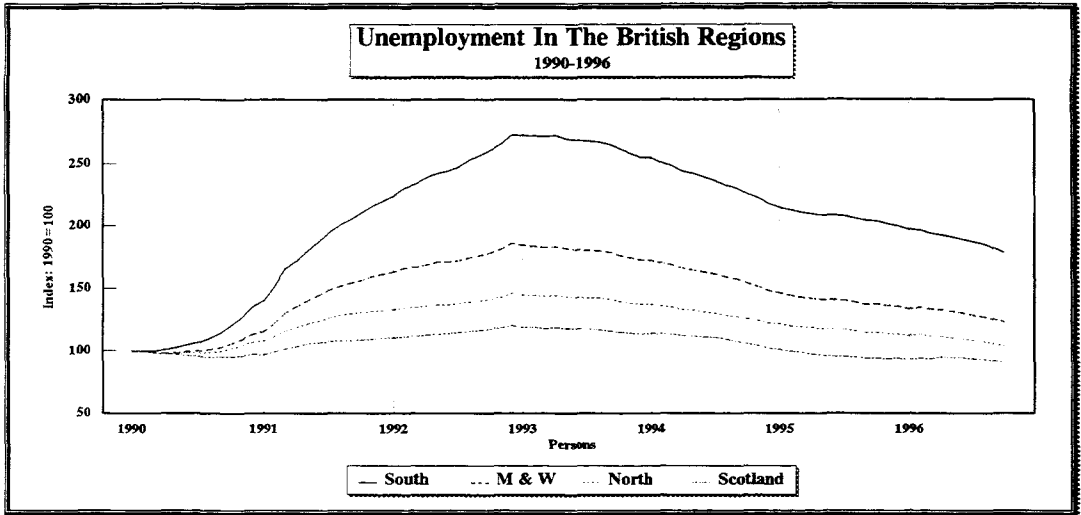




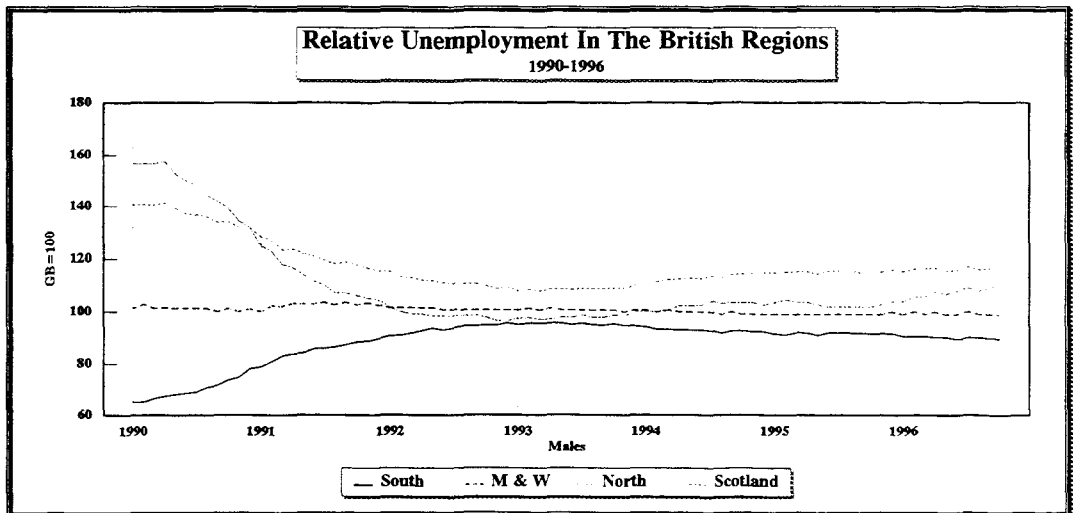
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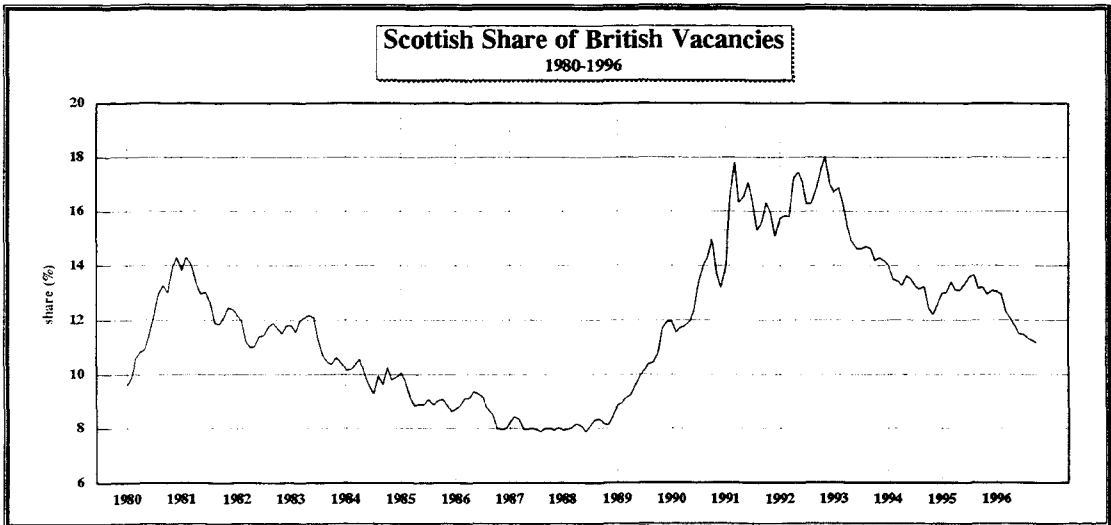
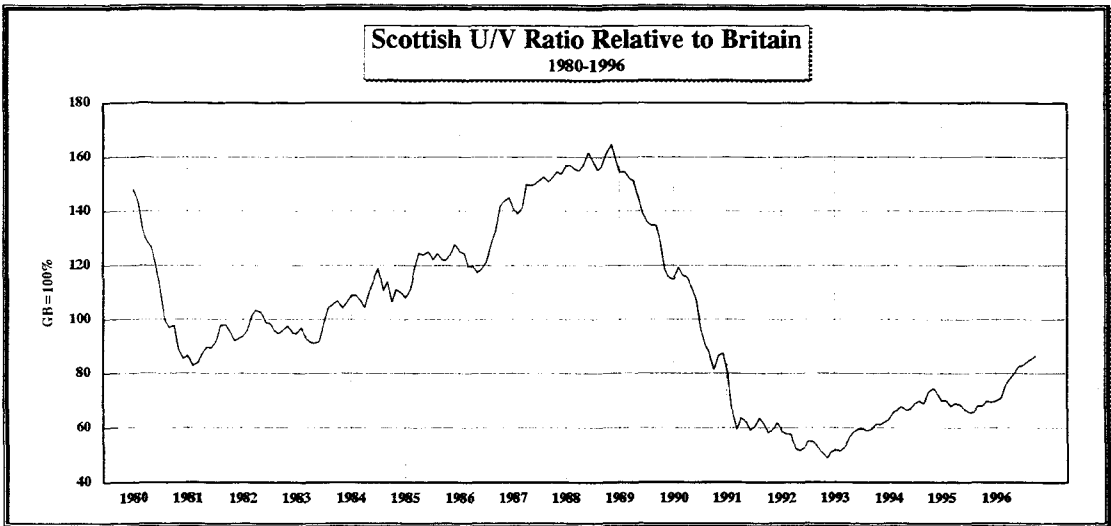
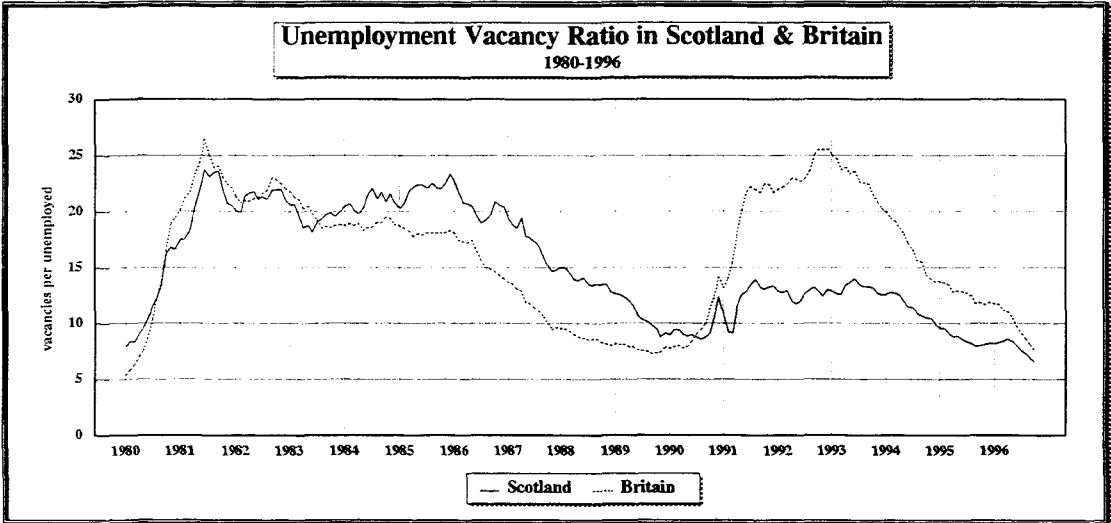


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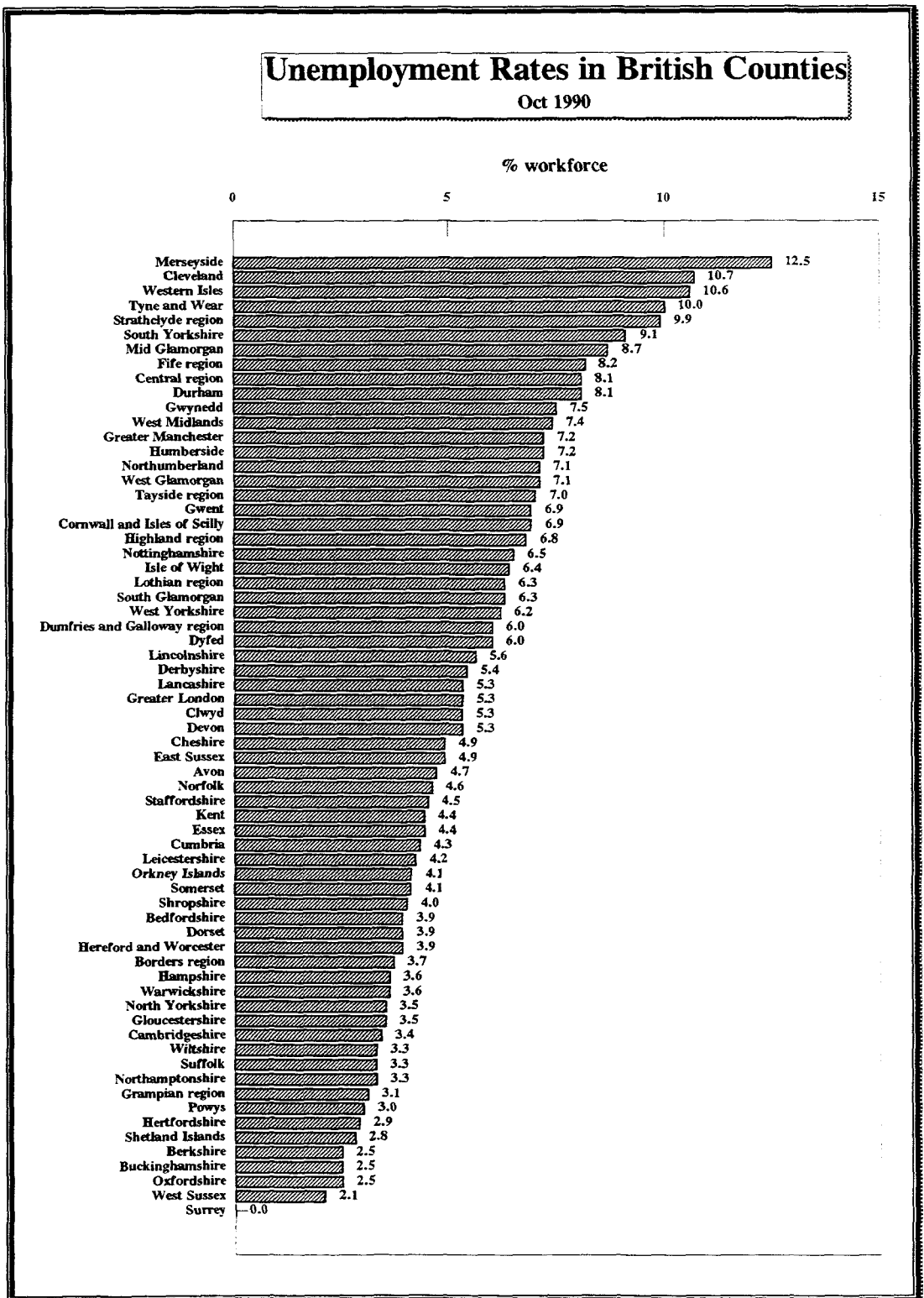


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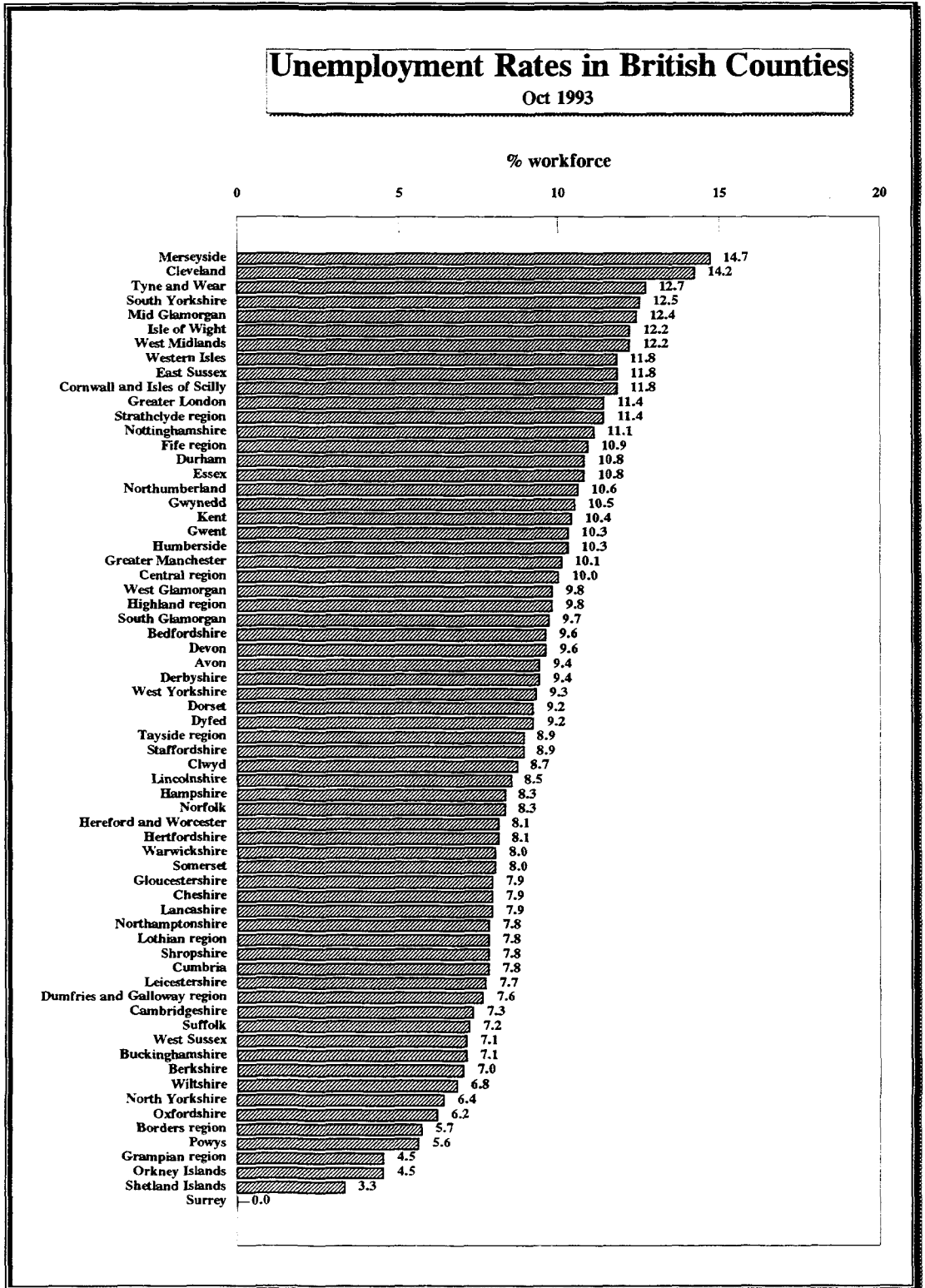


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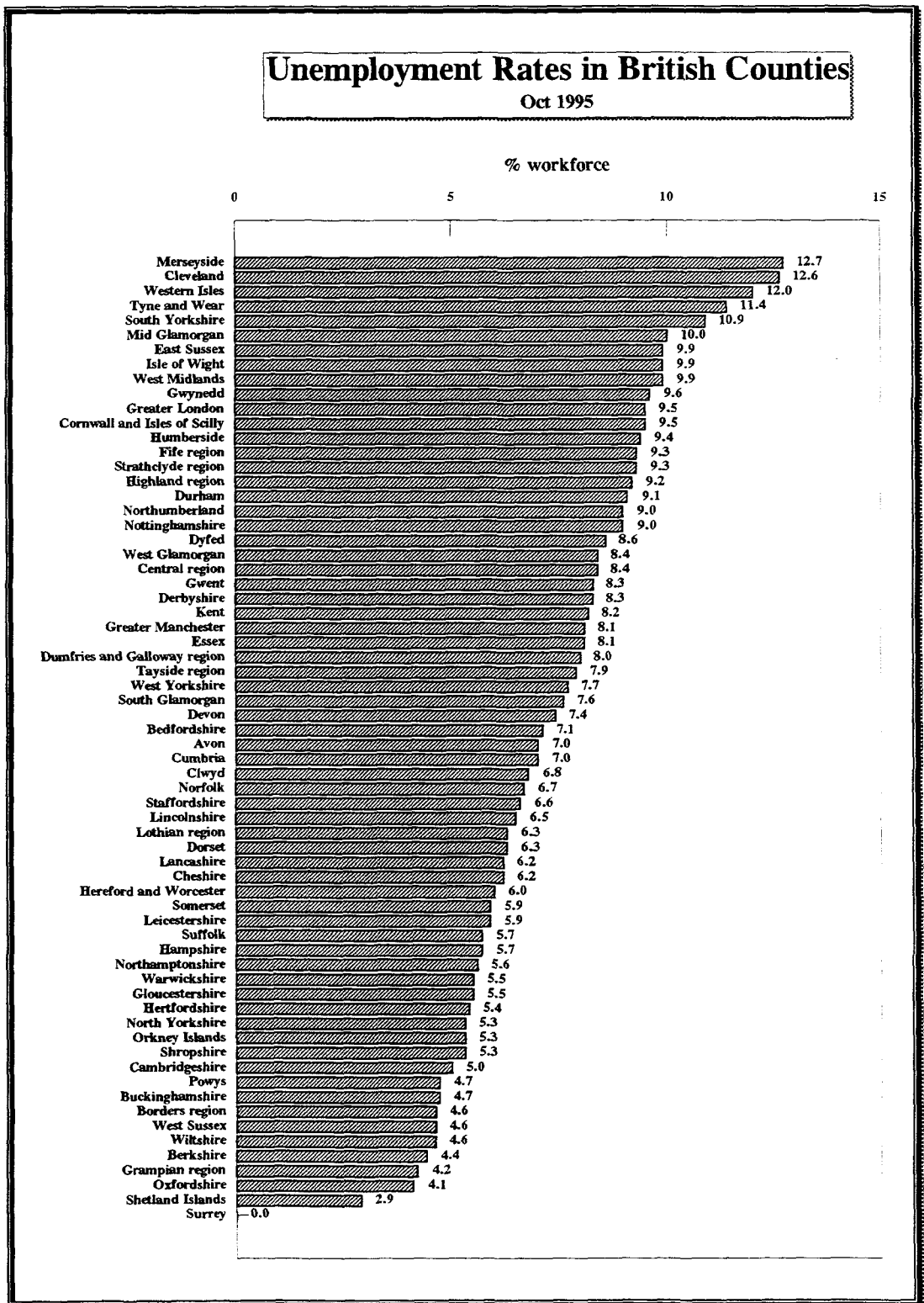


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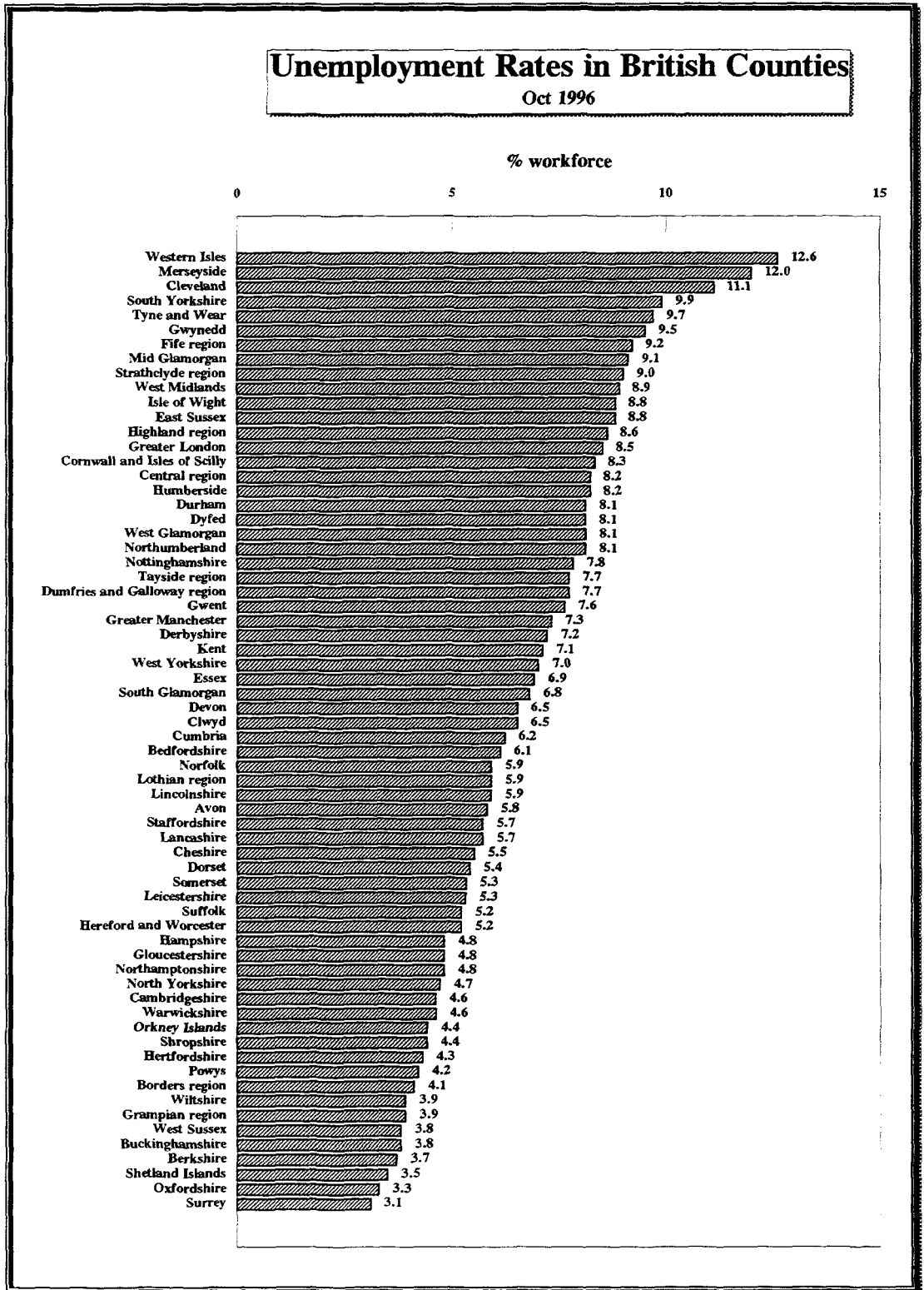




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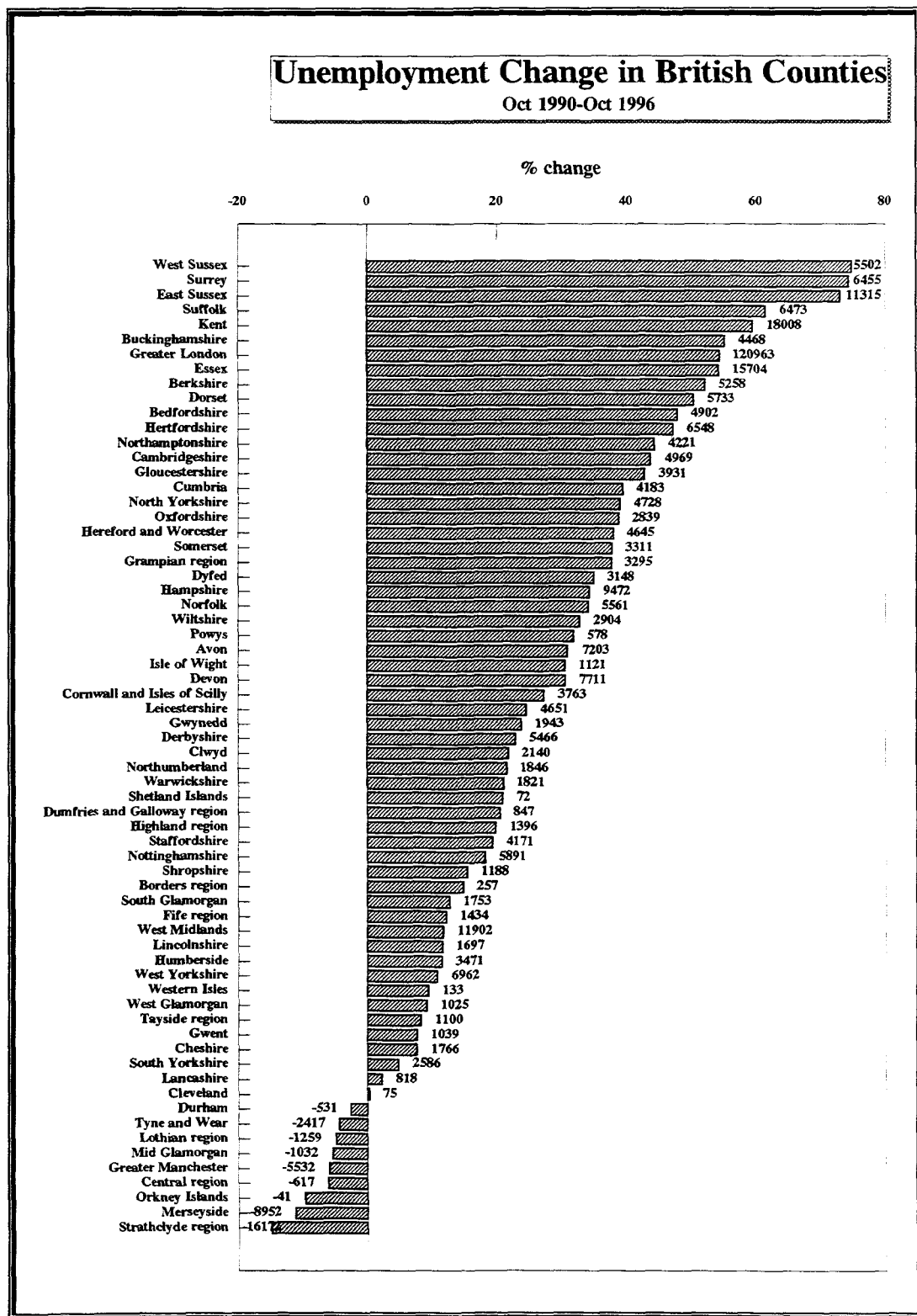


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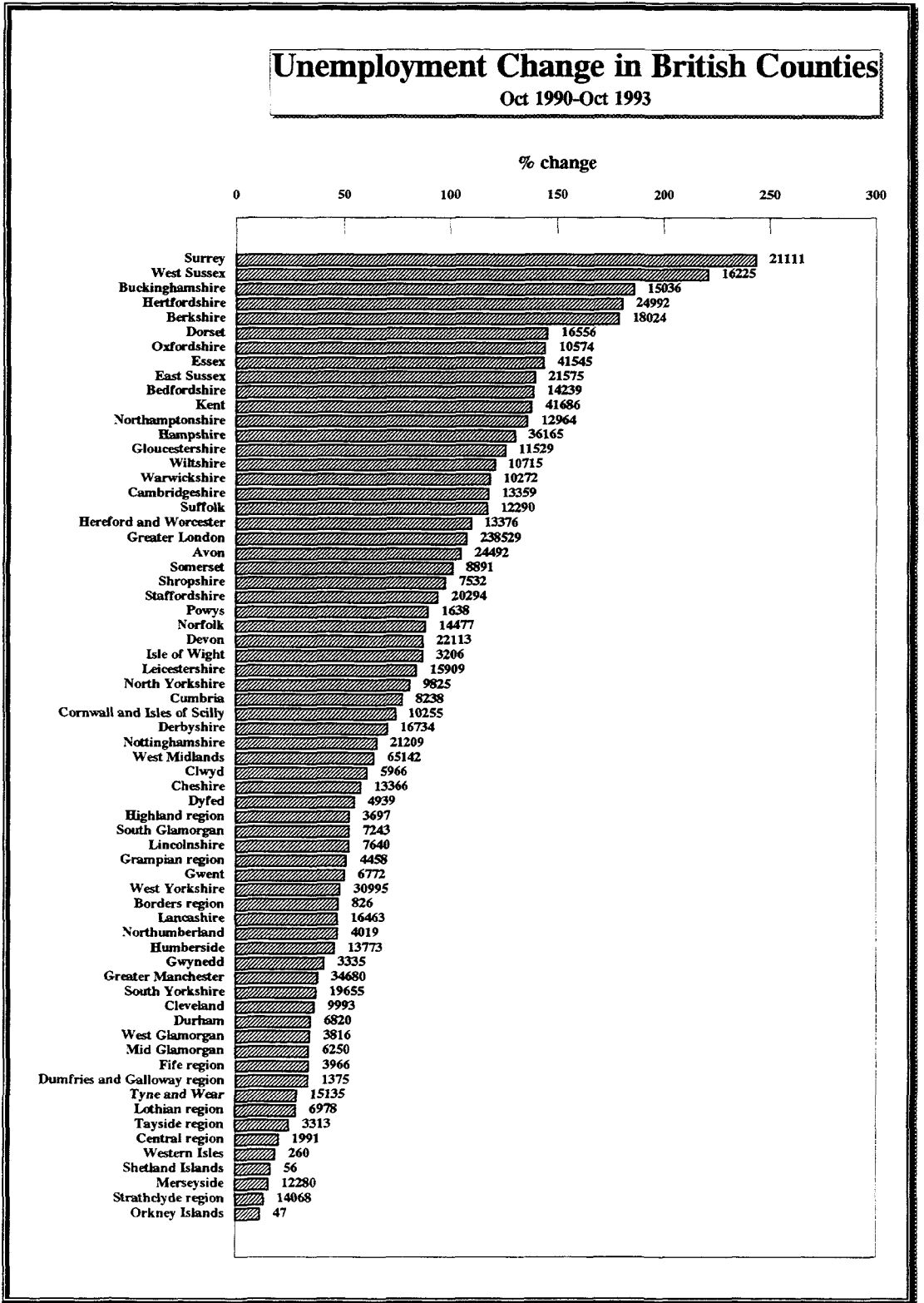


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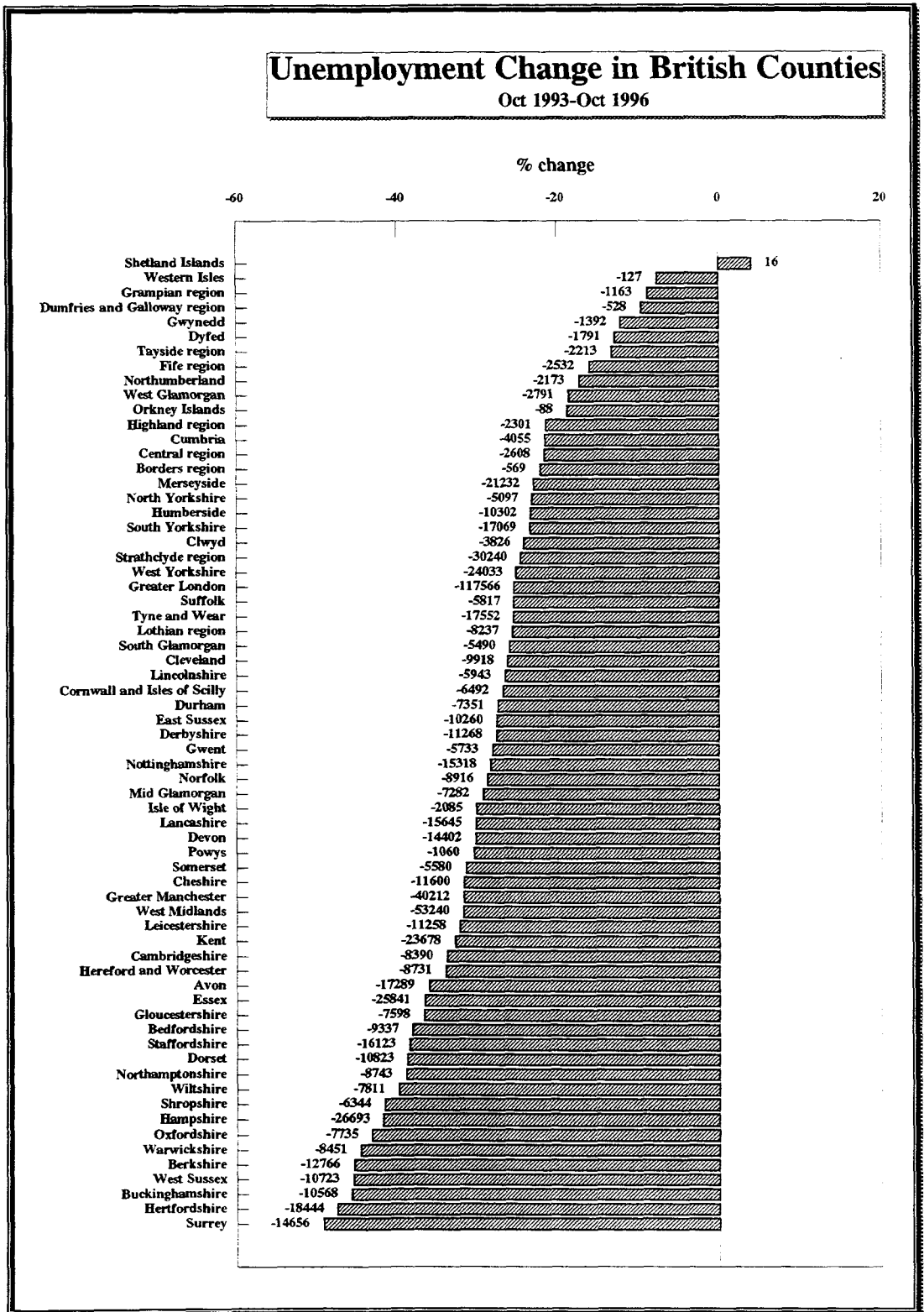


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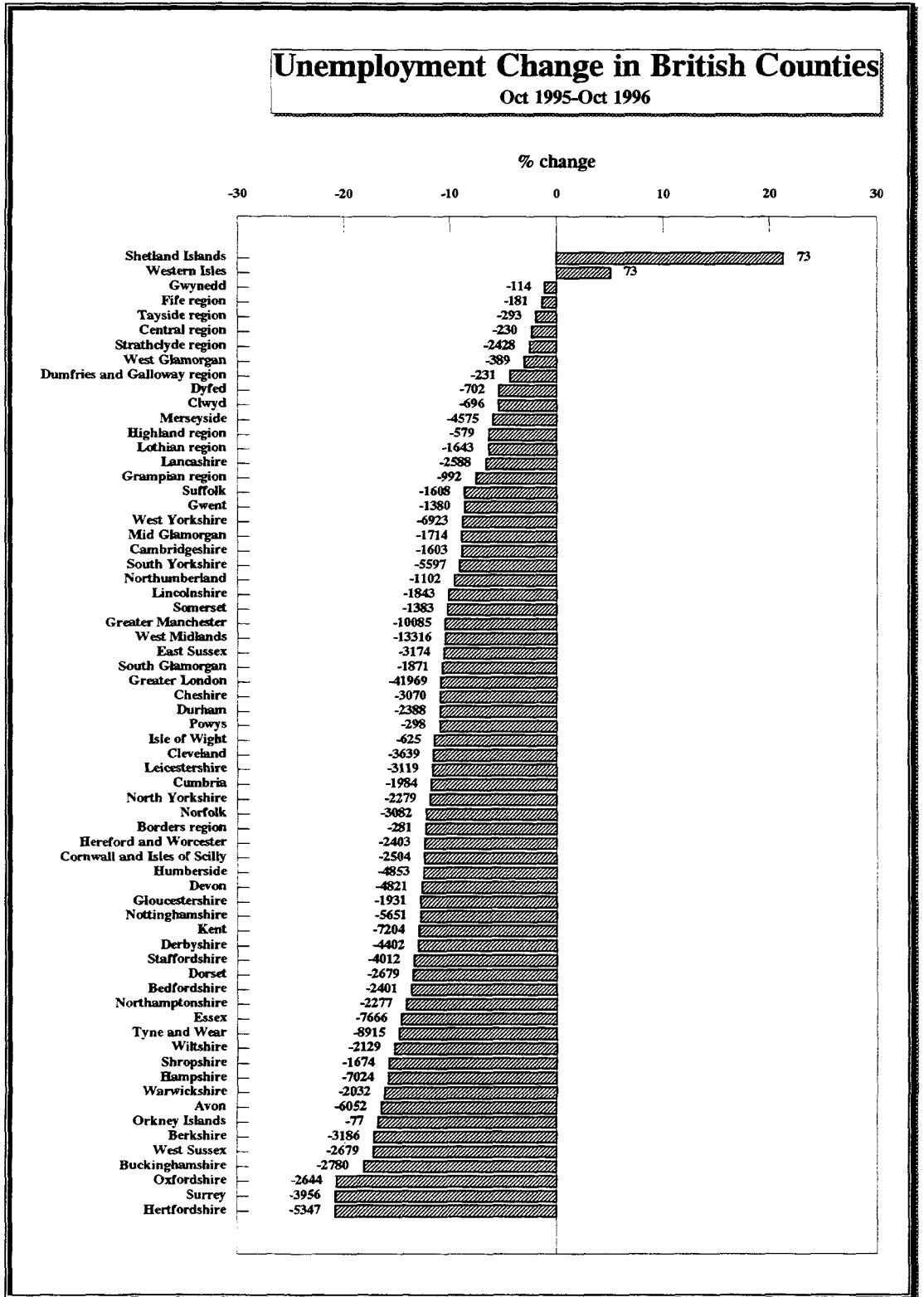


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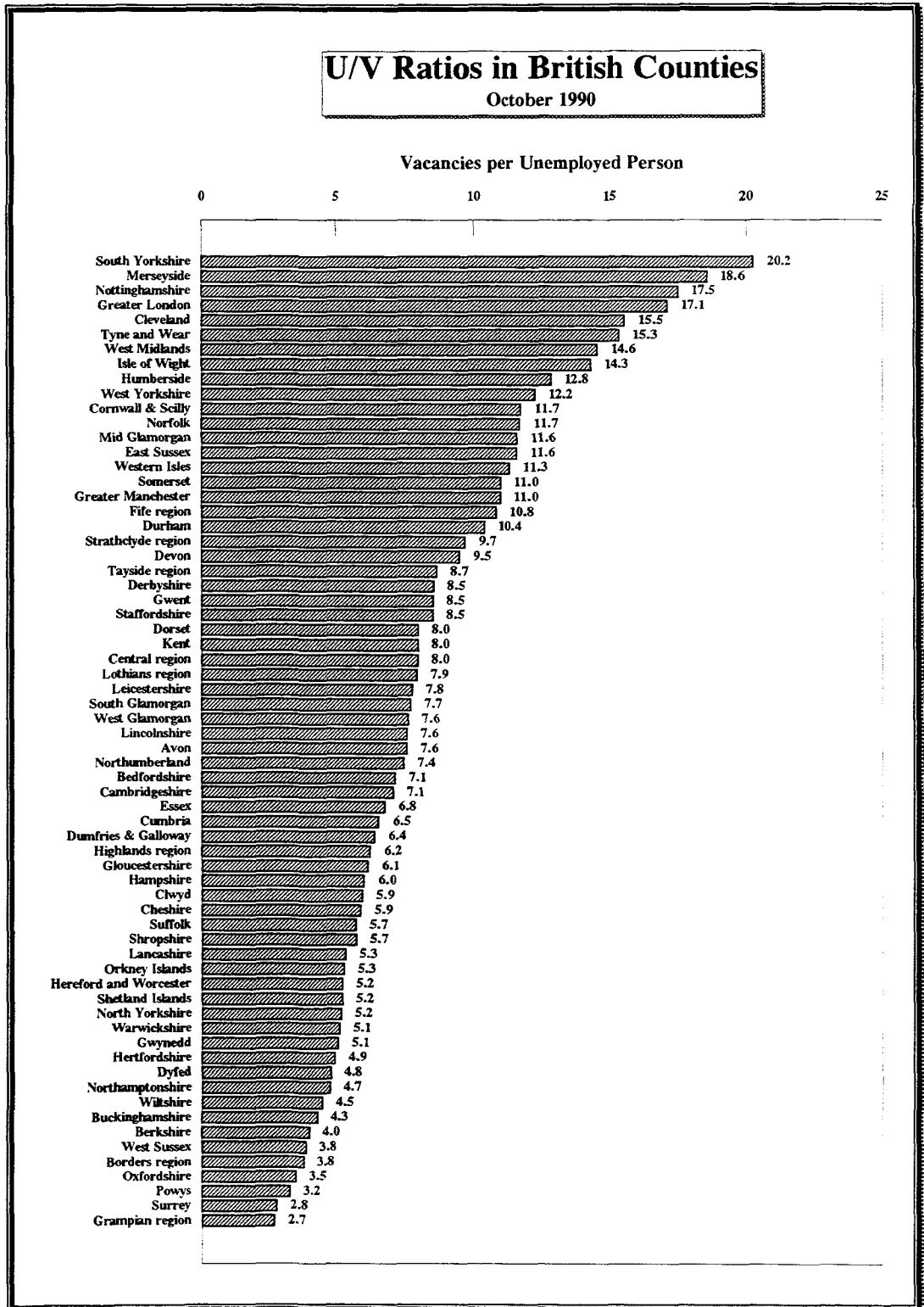


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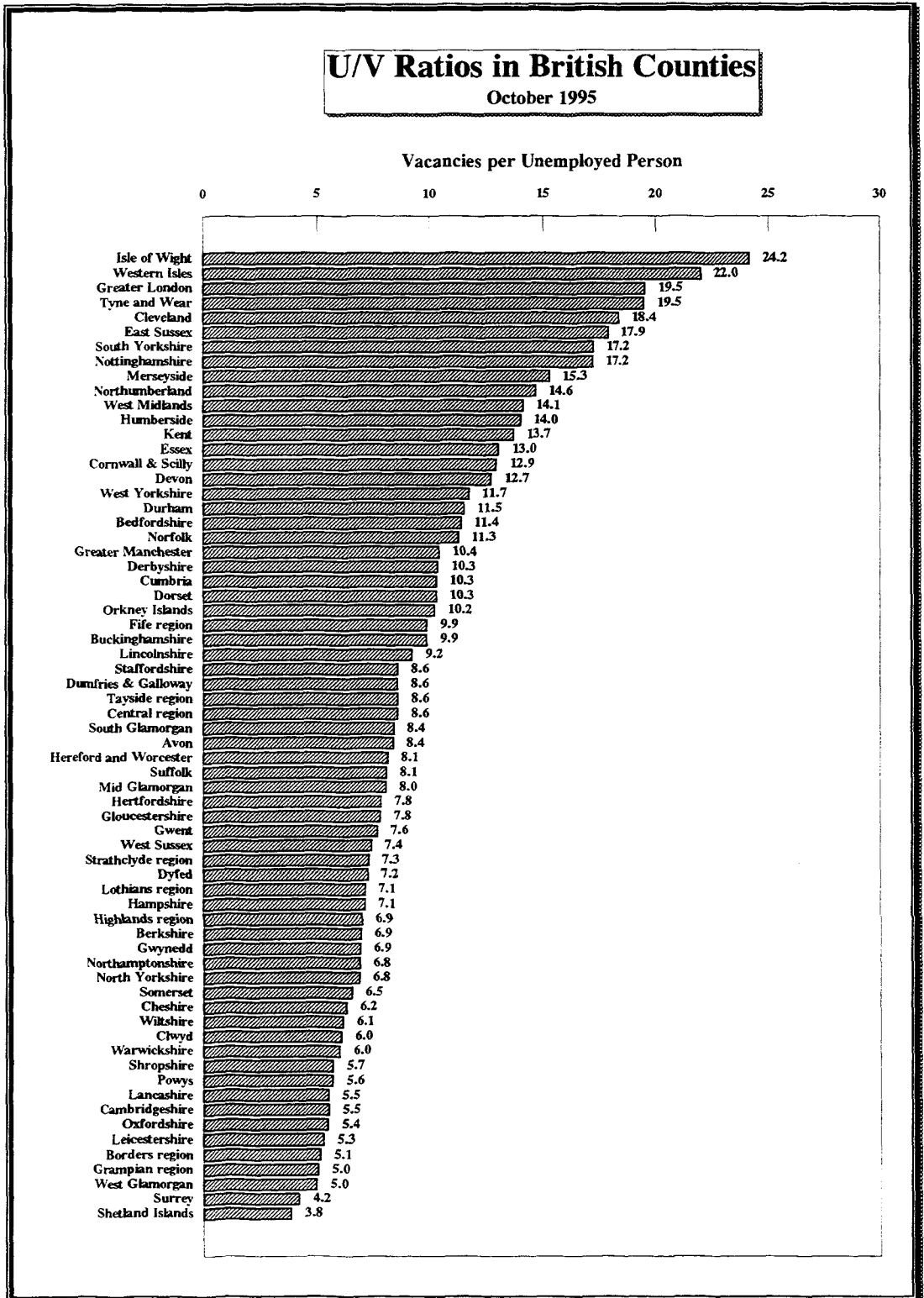
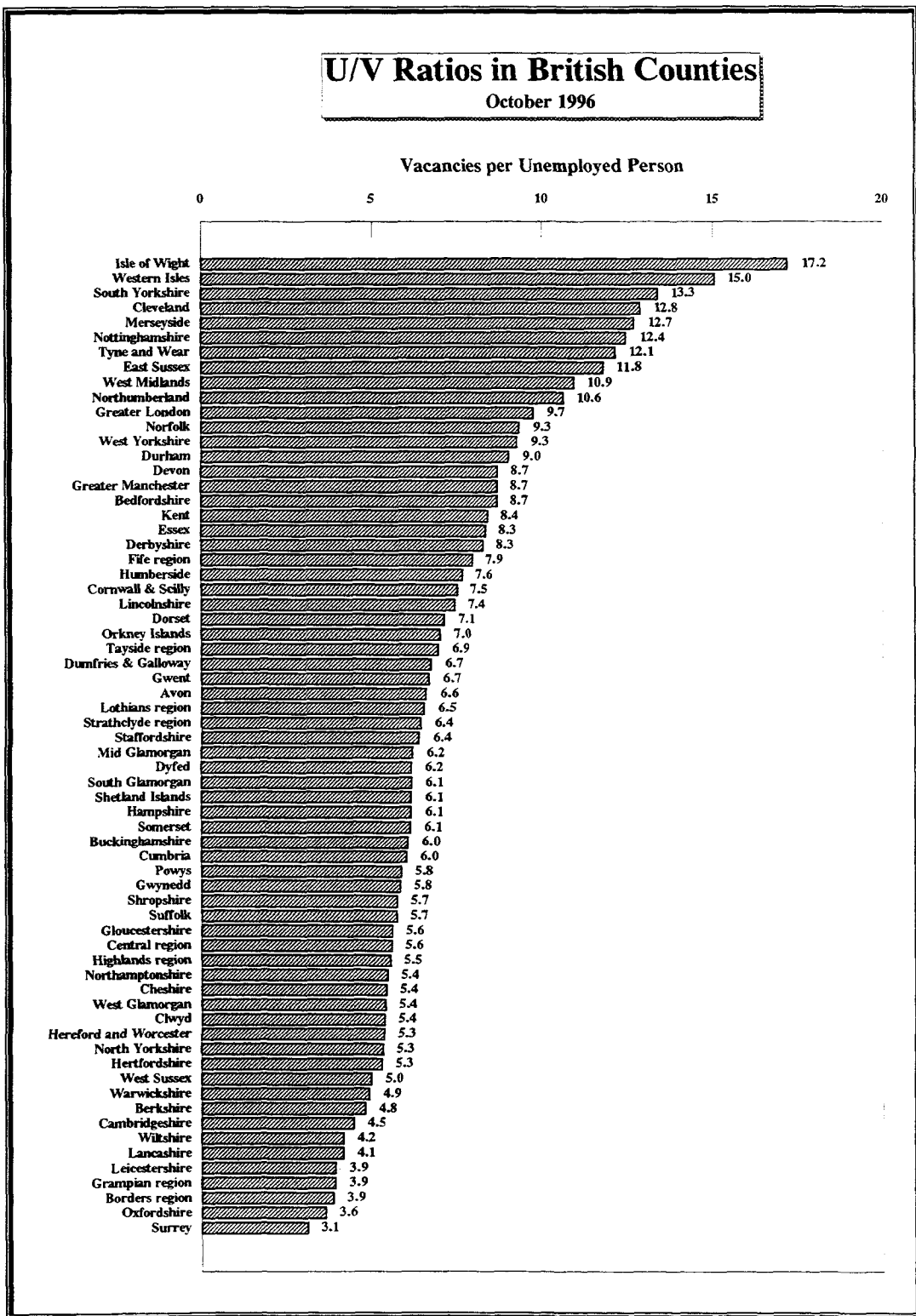
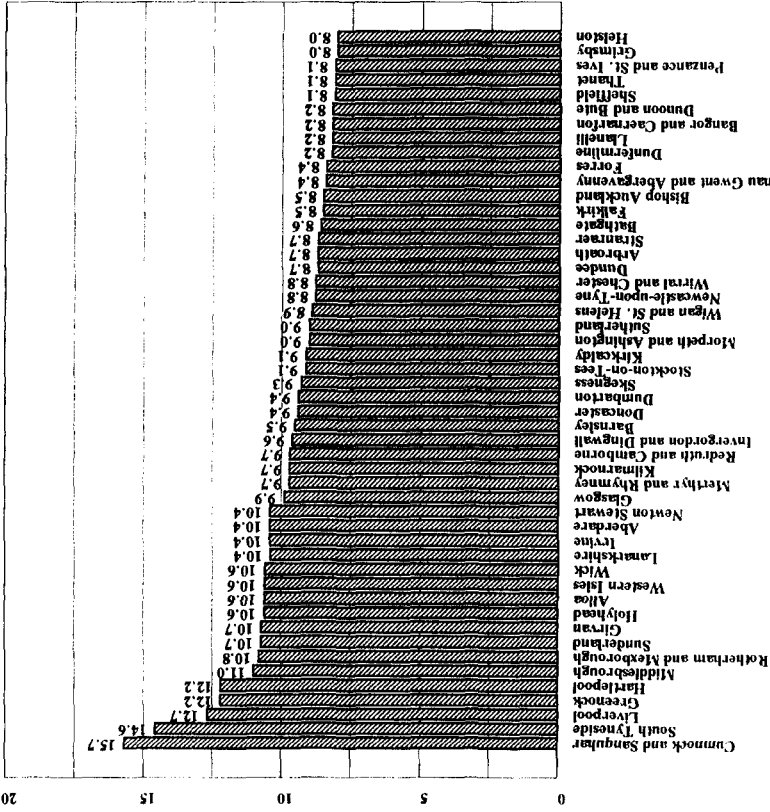
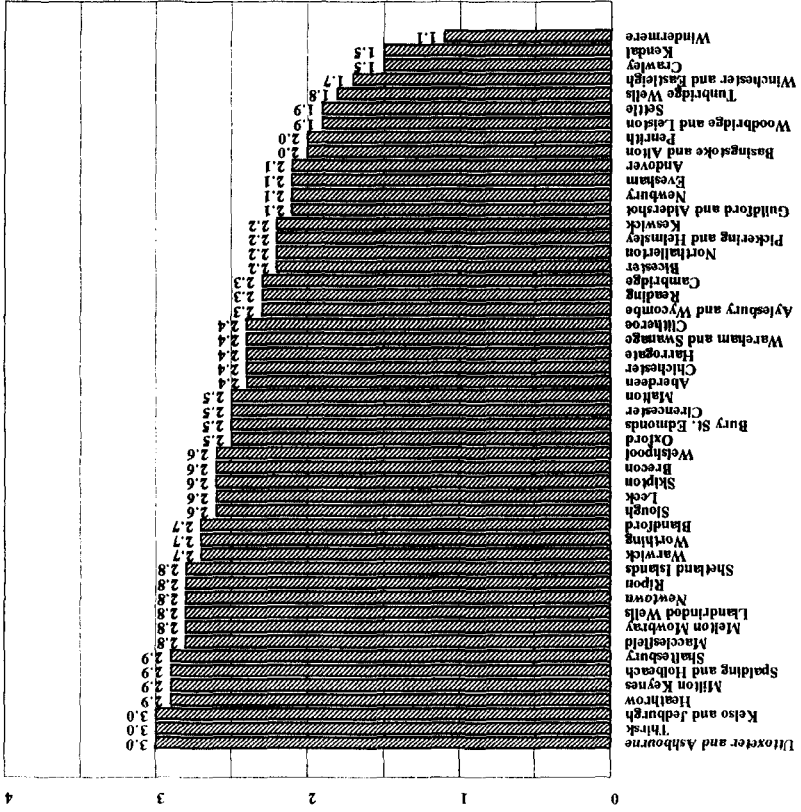


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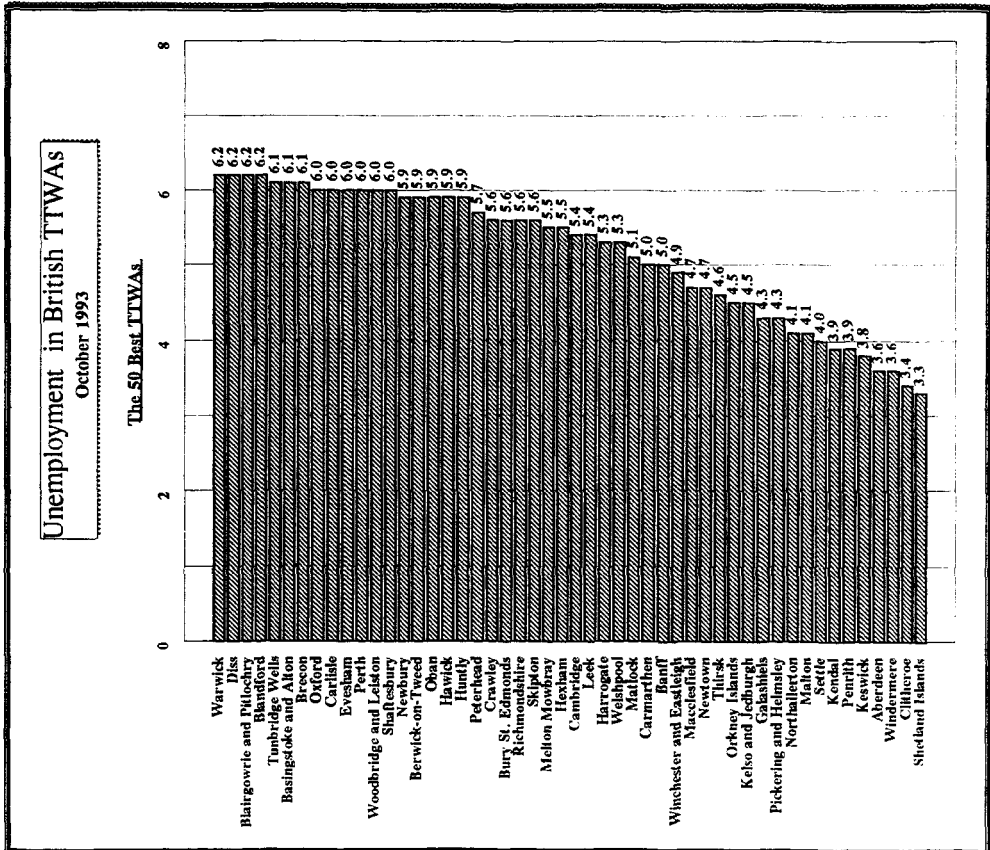
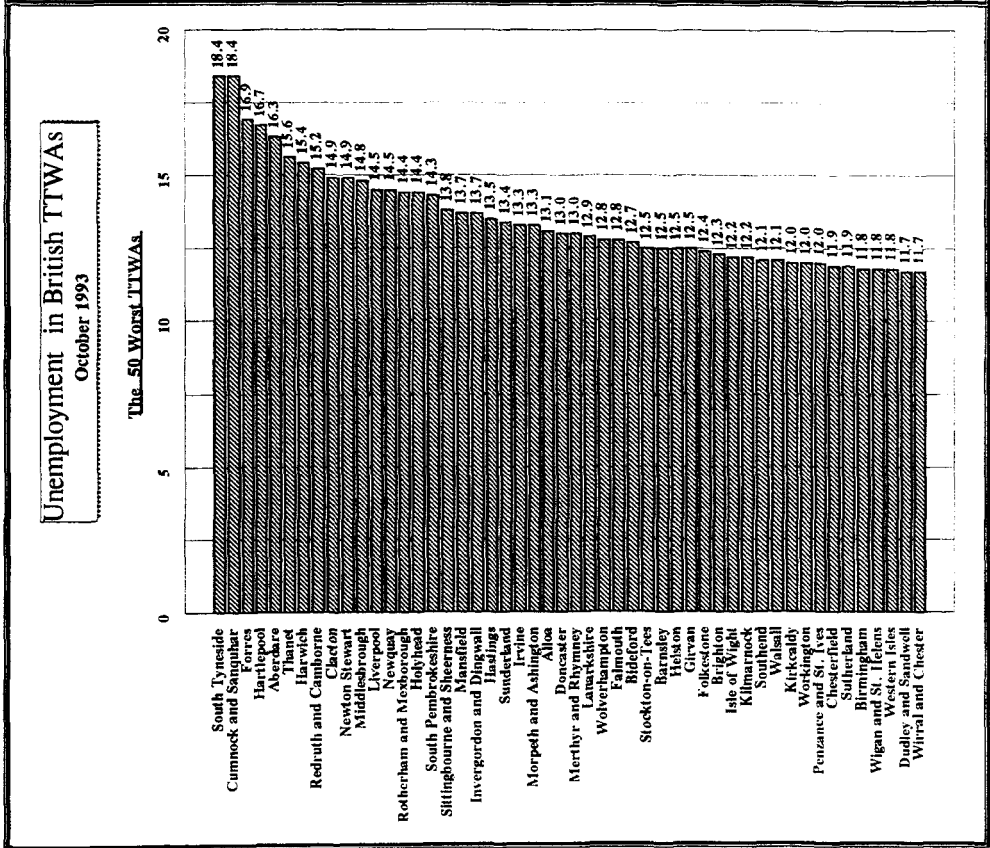
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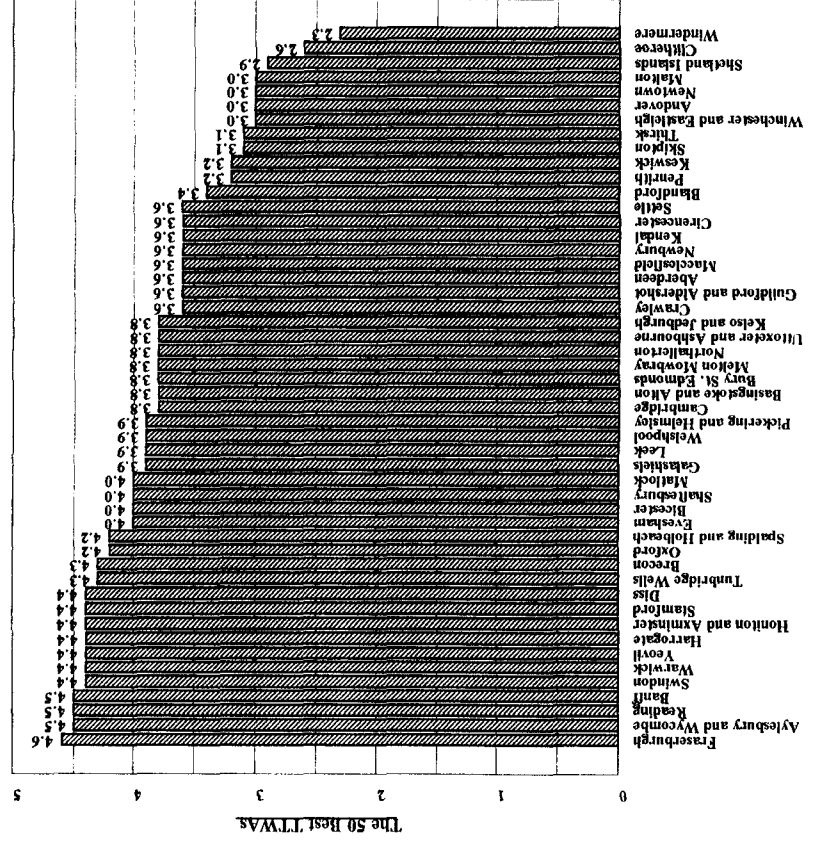
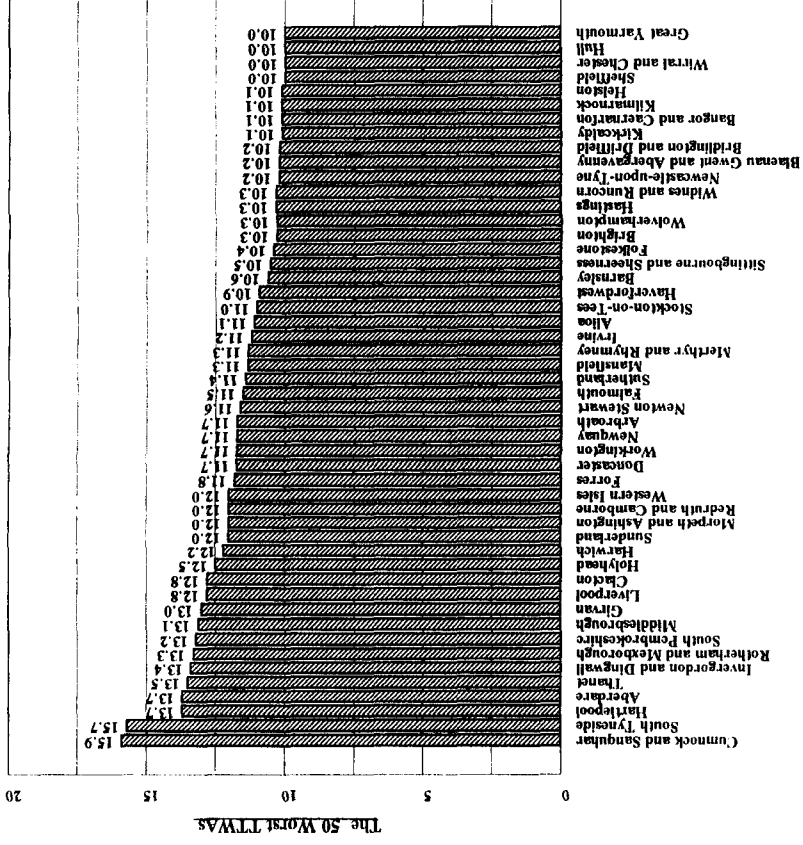


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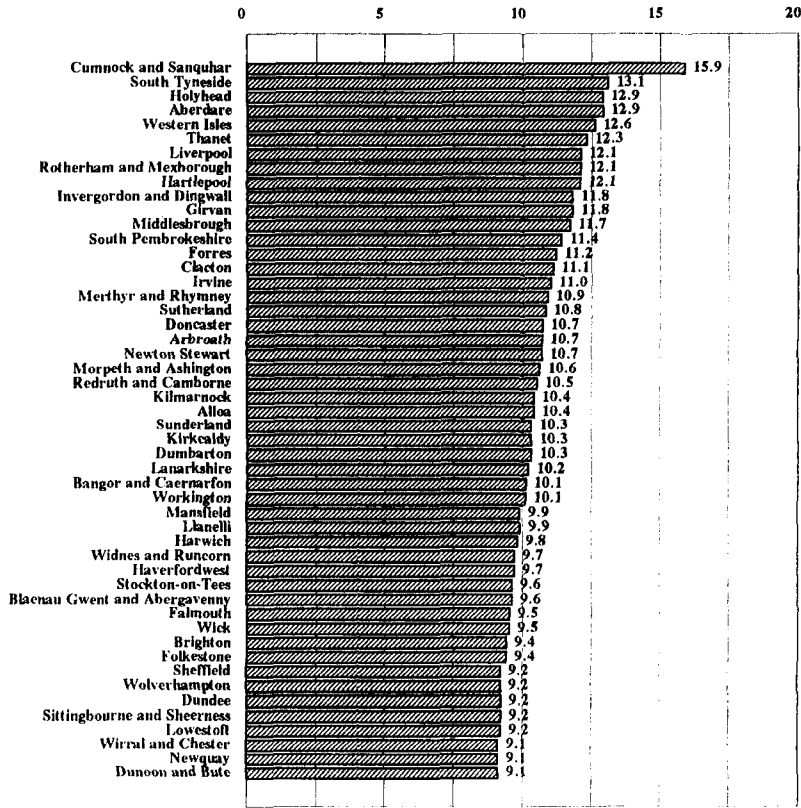




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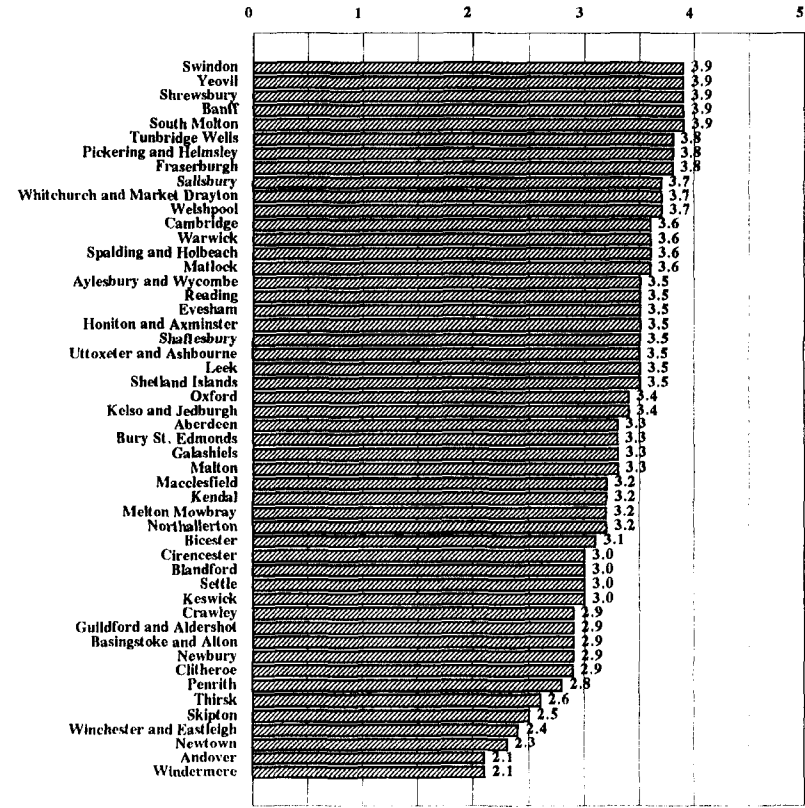
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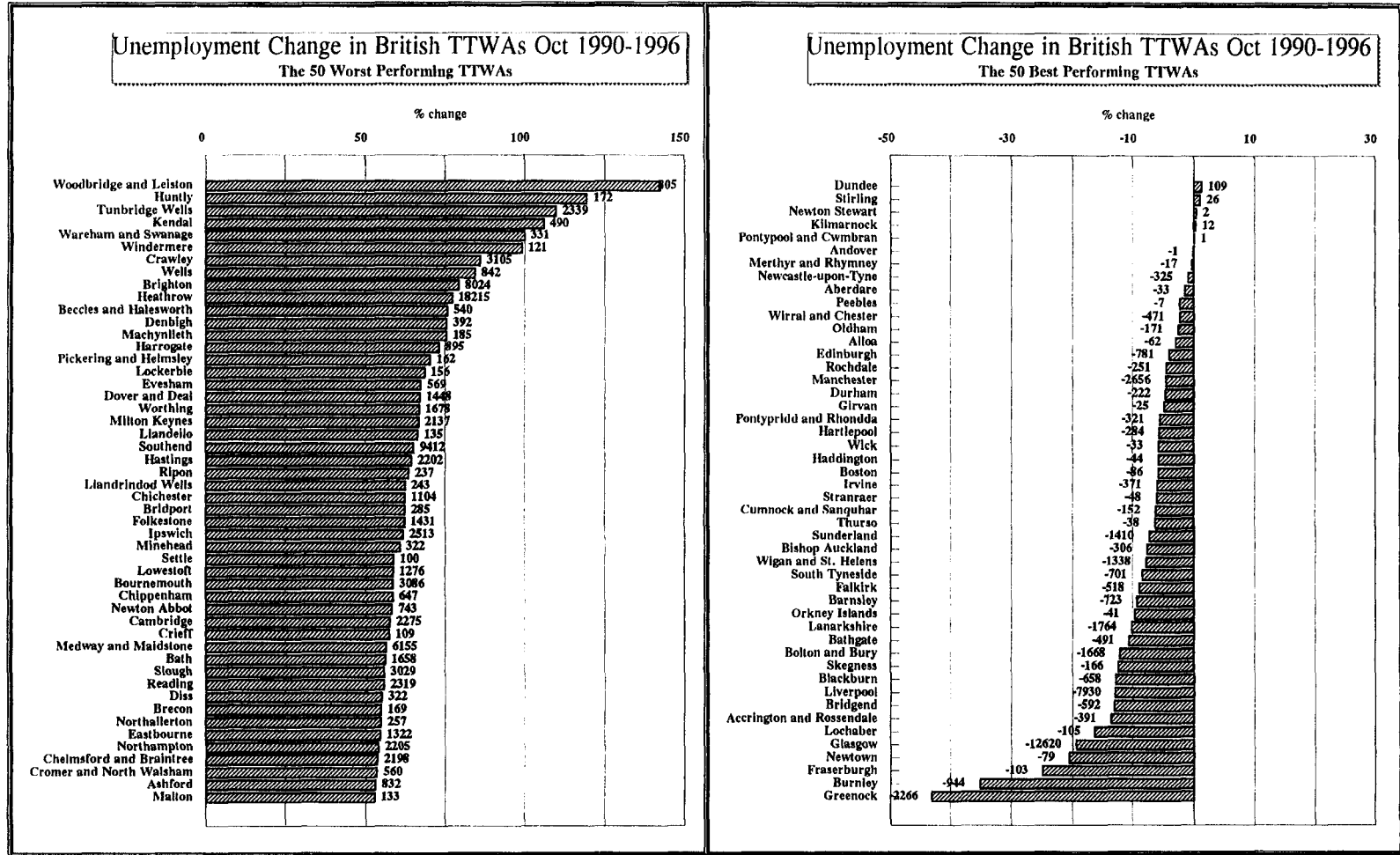


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