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Dear Ms Willott

As Director General for the Office for National Statistics, I have been asked to reply to your Parliamentary Question concerning how many and what proportion of jobseeker's allowance claimants in each constituency in Wales had been claiming the allowance for (a) up to three, (b) between three and six, (c) between six and 12 and (d) between 12 and 24 months in each month since September 2009. (310509)

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) compiles the number of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) from the Jobcentre Plus administrative system. Table 1 shows the number of computerised claims of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) for people, aged 16 or over resident in each parliamentary constituency in Wales, by duration of the claim. Table 2 shows the percentage of all claimants in each constituency by duration of the claim.

National and local area estimates for many labour market statistics, including employment, unemployment and claimant count are available on the NOMIS website at <http://www.nomisweb.co.uk>.

Yours sincerely



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BACKGROUND NOTE

1. Ms Willott has asked how many and what proportion of jobseeker's allowance claimants in each constituency in Wales had been claiming the allowance for (a) up to three, (b) between three and six, (c) between six and 12 and (d) between 12 and 24 months in each month since September 2009. (310509)
2. A similar question was asked in October 2009 (Hansard ref 294067) requesting the same information up to September 2009.
3. Data on duration of claims of JSA are only available for computerised claims. These accounted for 99.7 per cent of all claims in September 2009. Therefore these figures will not sum to the total count of claimants in Wales published in the Statistical Bulletin.

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Table 1 - Number of persons claiming Jobseeker's Allowance by duration of claim

	September 2009					Total	October 2009					Total	November 2009					Total
	over 13 weeks up to 13 weeks		over 26 weeks up to 26 weeks		over 52 weeks up to 104 weeks		over 13 weeks up to 13 weeks		over 26 weeks up to 26 weeks		over 52 weeks up to 104 weeks		over 13 weeks up to 13 weeks		over 26 weeks up to 26 weeks		over 52 weeks up to 104 weeks	
	weeks	weeks	weeks	weeks			weeks	weeks	weeks	weeks			weeks	weeks	weeks	weeks		
Aberavon	950	395	405	100	1,850	939	372	380	109	1,806	910	376	347	131	1,769			
Alyn & Deeside	980	370	380	150	1,880	954	416	361	160	1,908	874	428	365	177	1,862			
Blaenau Gwent	1,075	545	910	500	3,310	1,109	534	834	522	3,292	1,075	570	754	595	3,306			
Brecon & Radnorshire	540	265	190	90	1,090	586	235	202	94	1,124	535	243	201	99	1,086			
Bridgend	1,050	435	420	105	2,020	1,008	443	402	127	1,993	979	453	350	153	1,950			
Caernarfon	425	185	175	70	905	465	173	166	75	926	603	176	162	83	1,071			
Caerphilly	1,175	595	810	310	3,045	1,158	603	797	334	3,049	1,180	588	709	387	3,034			
Cardiff Central	1,185	490	480	185	2,335	1,042	572	455	194	2,285	1,036	567	462	211	2,305			
Cardiff North	855	350	310	105	1,630	773	365	306	124	1,576	679	380	292	132	1,493			
Cardiff South & Penarth	1,665	750	625	265	3,320	1,567	794	650	285	3,314	1,488	844	647	294	3,295			
Cardiff West	1,255	635	540	200	2,630	1,222	630	551	209	2,629	1,180	638	559	248	2,634			
Carmarthen East & Dinefwr	550	220	245	100	1,125	545	219	222	113	1,113	503	256	185	114	1,076			
Carmarthen West & South Penbrokeshire	675	240	310	70	1,295	697	244	287	74	1,308	776	294	251	112	1,439			
Ceredigion	455	180	145	60	885	491	177	157	66	904	535	188	149	62	947			
Ciwyd South	830	380	430	140	1,795	813	391	408	148	1,779	842	385	368	170	1,786			
Ciwyd West	740	315	305	170	1,625	711	324	291	177	1,602	695	349	272	183	1,598			
Conwy	840	285	330	145	1,675	827	294	285	164	1,649	843	312	269	177	1,686			
Cynon Valley	955	470	505	165	2,105	938	456	470	184	2,063	891	479	440	205	2,036			
Delyn	815	340	320	135	1,615	758	353	300	133	1,559	751	377	270	151	1,566			
Gower	735	305	330	75	1,445	678	297	324	82	1,382	645	292	280	100	1,319			
Islwyn	870	420	495	200	2,070	867	410	444	208	2,026	846	429	399	234	2,004			
Llanelli	920	440	465	165	1,990	866	446	451	173	1,973	868	405	433	210	1,927			
Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	305	90	120	60	630	298	111	110	65	632	349	122	94	71	685			
Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	1,220	655	835	410	3,295	1,112	637	851	444	3,223	1,088	642	787	516	3,219			
Morfnouth	715	290	295	80	1,390	704	289	279	89	1,372	694	303	272	101	1,384			
Montgomeryshire	500	180	165	45	895	472	203	159	48	884	438	217	147	63	867			
Neath	950	420	430	135	1,950	899	413	431	144	1,897	796	406	372	155	1,747			
Newport East	1,170	575	570	160	2,480	1,072	584	547	170	2,385	1,088	570	536	205	2,411			
Newport West	1,250	600	590	195	2,635	1,197	603	592	215	2,611	1,163	620	556	255	2,598			
Ogmore	1,080	525	630	140	2,390	1,085	519	592	169	2,379	1,029	512	519	193	2,268			
Pontypridd	1,125	500	525	185	2,340	1,078	466	499	213	2,266	993	448	476	226	2,157			
Preseli Penbrokeshire	660	275	330	80	1,345	720	275	295	95	1,389	705	291	280	110	1,392			
Rhondda	1,215	530	605	195	2,550	1,258	535	604	225	2,631	1,238	565	549	261	2,634			
Swansea East	1,115	490	520	180	2,315	1,055	498	513	201	2,275	1,048	483	464	225	2,227			
Swansea West	940	440	530	185	2,110	883	429	500	212	2,033	843	436	478	232	2,000			
Torfaen	1,100	540	615	240	2,570	1,074	531	625	252	2,559	1,093	558	541	295	2,567			
Vale of Ciwyd	855	415	370	200	1,965	901	401	379	203	2,010	960	398	379	213	2,062			
Vale of Glamorgan	1,290	565	550	240	2,660	1,261	579	556	258	2,671	1,177	621	621	282	2,631			
Wrexham	955	360	400	150	1,875	886	415	357	176	1,841	779	482	343	188	1,807			
Ynys-Mon	625	330	320	175	1,635	686	313	316	174	1,677	791	317	303	181	1,781			
Total	36,605	16,380	17,525	6,560	78,670	35,685	16,549	16,958	7,108	77,995	35,006	17,020	15,791	8,000	77,626			

Data rounded to nearest 5
Age and duration data is only available for computerised claims, which account for 99.7% of all claims.

Table 2 - Proportion of claimants of Jobseeker's Allowance by duration of claim

	per cent											
	September 2009				October 2009				November 2009			
	up to 13 weeks	over 13 weeks	up to 26 weeks	over 26 weeks	up to 13 weeks	over 13 weeks	up to 26 weeks	over 26 weeks	up to 13 weeks	over 13 weeks	up to 26 weeks	over 26 weeks
Aberavon	51	21	22	5	52	21	21	6	51	21	20	7
Alyn & Deeside	52	20	20	8	50	22	19	8	47	23	20	10
Blaenau Gwent	32	16	27	15	34	16	25	16	33	17	23	18
Bracon & Radnorshire	50	24	17	8	52	21	18	8	49	22	19	9
Bridgend	52	22	21	5	51	22	20	6	50	23	18	8
Caernarfon	47	20	19	8	50	19	18	8	56	16	15	8
Caerphilly	39	20	27	10	38	20	26	11	39	19	23	13
Cardiff Central	50	21	20	8	46	25	20	8	45	25	20	9
Cardiff North	52	21	19	6	49	23	19	8	45	25	20	9
Cardiff South & Penarth	50	23	19	8	47	24	20	9	45	26	20	9
Cardiff West	48	24	21	8	46	24	21	8	45	24	21	9
Cardiff West	49	20	22	9	49	20	20	10	47	24	17	11
Carmarthen East & Dinefwr	52	19	24	5	53	19	22	6	54	20	17	8
Carmarthen West & South Pembrokeshire	53	21	17	7	54	20	17	7	56	20	16	7
Ceredigion	46	21	24	8	46	22	23	8	47	22	21	10
Clwyd South	46	19	19	10	44	20	18	11	43	22	17	11
Clwyd West	50	17	20	9	50	18	17	10	50	19	16	10
Conwy	45	22	24	8	45	22	23	9	44	24	22	10
Cynon Valley	50	21	20	8	49	23	19	6	48	24	17	10
Delyn	51	21	23	5	49	21	23	6	49	22	21	8
Gower	42	20	24	10	43	20	22	10	42	21	20	12
Islwyn	46	22	23	8	45	23	23	9	45	21	22	11
Llanelli	48	14	19	10	47	18	17	10	51	18	22	10
Meirionnydd Nant Conwy	37	20	25	12	35	20	26	14	34	20	24	16
Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney	51	21	21	6	51	21	20	6	50	22	20	7
Monmouth	56	20	18	5	53	23	18	5	51	25	17	7
Montgomeryshire	49	22	22	7	47	22	23	8	46	23	21	9
Neath	47	23	23	6	45	24	23	7	45	24	22	9
Newport East	47	23	22	7	46	23	23	8	45	24	21	10
Newport West	45	22	26	6	46	22	25	7	45	23	23	9
Ogmore	48	21	22	8	48	21	22	9	46	21	22	10
Pontypridd	49	20	25	6	52	20	21	7	51	21	20	8
Preseli Pembrokeshire	48	21	24	8	48	22	23	9	47	22	21	10
Rhondda	48	21	22	8	46	22	23	9	47	22	21	10
Swansea East	45	21	25	9	43	21	25	10	42	22	24	12
Swansea West	43	21	24	9	42	21	24	10	43	22	21	11
Torfaen	44	21	19	10	45	20	19	10	47	19	18	10
Vale of Clwyd	48	21	21	9	47	22	21	10	45	24	20	11
Vale of Glamorgan	51	19	21	8	48	22	19	10	43	27	19	10
Wrexham	38	20	20	11	41	19	19	10	44	18	17	10
Ynys-Mon												

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Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system