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About this publication

The statistics in this release are based on administrative records and surveys of individual public sector bodies carried out by the Scottish Government and the Office for National Statistics (ONS). This is a snapshot of employment as at December 2022.

The publication includes information on public sector employment in Scotland with distinctions made for employment in devolved bodies and reserved bodies (located in Scotland).

The public sector is defined based on UK National Accounts definitions. The statistics in this release were designated National Statistics in December 2009.

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Quarterly Public Sector Employment in Scotland

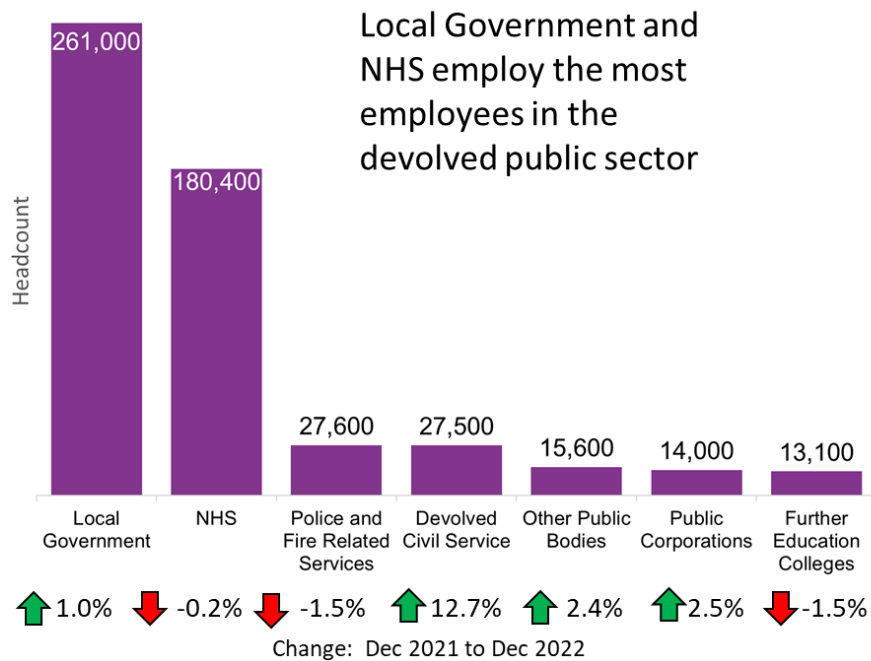
Q4 2022

Public Sector
Employment
Headcount
594,500
↑ 1.0%

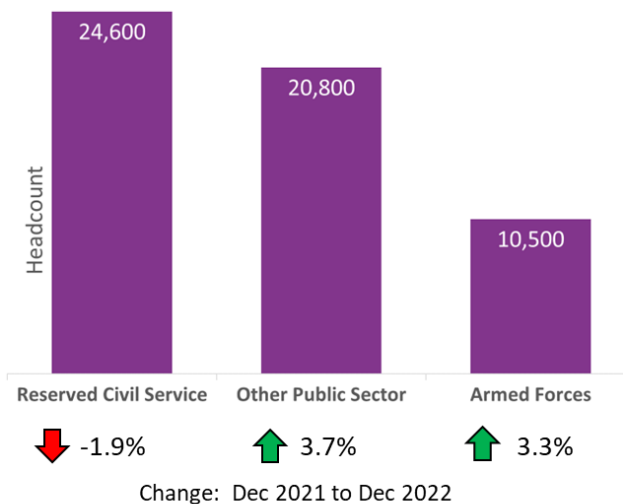


Private Sector
Employment
Headcount
2,125,700
↑ 3.1%

Devolved Public Sector Headcount: 538,700 ↑ 1.0%



Reserved Public Sector Headcount: 55,800 ↑ 1.1%



Over the year, both the devolved and reserved public sector headcounts increased.

The 'Devolved civil service' saw the largest percentage increase (12.7%), while 'Reserved civil service' saw the largest decrease (-1.9%).

Source: Public Sector Employment, Joint Staffing Watch, Scottish Government, ONS
Changes between Dec 2021 and Dec 2022 are shown

Summary

Key points - based on headcount data:

- in December 2022, there were 594,500 people employed in the public sector in Scotland, accounting for 21.9% of total employment¹.
- in December 2022, employment in the public sector was 5,960 (1.0%) more than in December 2021.
- when major reclassifications are excluded, the public sector increased between December 2021 and December 2022 by around 5,000 (1.0%)².
- of the total 594,500 people employed in the public sector in Scotland, 538,700 (90.6%) were employed in the devolved public sector in December 2022. This was 5,380 (1.0%) more than in December 2021.
- between December 2021 and December 2022, employment in the devolved public sector increased by:
 - 2,490 (1.0%) in Local Government
 - 3,100 (12.7%) in the Devolved Civil Service
 - 360 (2.4%) in Other Public Bodies
 - 330 (2.5%) in Public Corporations

Employment in the devolved public sector decreased by:

- 420 (-1.5%) in Police and Fire Related Services
- 190 (-1.5%) in Further Education Colleges
- 300 (-0.2%) in the NHS
- in December 2022, there were 55,800 people employed in the Reserved Public Sector in Scotland. This was 590 (1.1%) more than in December 2021. The Reserved Public Sector accounts for 9.4% of total public sector employment in Scotland.
- between December 2021 and December 2022, employment within the Reserved Public Sector decreased in the reserved Civil Service by 480 (-1.9%). Employment increased in Armed Forces by 330 (3.3%) and in Other Public Sector³ by 730 (3.7%).

¹ Estimates for **total employment and private sector employment** are based on the Labour Force Survey, ONS.

² Further details on major reclassifications are provided on page 5 and on the [About public sector employment statistics](#) page of the Scottish Government website.

³ Public corporations, public sector financial institutions and public bodies have been combined into 'other public sector' to ensure individual organisation employment figures are not disclosed.

About this publication

Major Reclassifications

An outline of major reclassifications which have taken place in the Scottish public sector since 2013 are summarised on the [about Public Sector Employment statistics – classifications webpage](#)

A separate public sector series excluding the effects of these major reclassifications has been included in this publication to show the impact of the reclassifications on the number of people employed in the public sector.

More information is available on the [Public Sector Employment Web Section](#).

National Accounts Classifications

An outline of National Accounts classifications which have taken place in the Scottish public sector since 2015 are summarised on the [about Public Sector Employment statistics – classifications webpage](#)

Public Sector Employment Web section

The [Public Sector Employment Web section](#) provides additional information to this National Statistics publication, including the [Public Sector Employment data web tables](#)

The web section includes detailed information on:

- local government employment by local authority for the current quarter. A time series of total local government employment from Q1 1999 and by gender from Q1 2011
- detailed tables showing a full time series of data for all quarters back to Q1 1999 are also available to download
- background notes outlining the methodology used to compile this series

UK Comparisons

Public Sector Employment for Government Office Regions and Nations of the UK can be found in the [Office for National Statistics \(ONS\) Public Sector Employment publication tables](#).

Comparisons to UK data should be made using non-seasonally adjusted UK data.

Background Notes

Statistics prior to Q1 2008 are estimates. These have been calculated using the total UK reserved public sector employment figure and applying to Scotland on a pro-rata basis as regional level data has only been collected from Q1 2008 onwards.

Background notes about the information contained in our PSE series are available on the [about Public Sector Employment statistics - background notes webpage](#)

Devolved and Reserved Civil Service Tables

Tables and commentary on the devolved and reserved civil service are not included in this summary. However, the full time series of data for the devolved civil service including Scottish Government, Scottish Government Agencies, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal and Non-Ministerial Departments and the reserved civil service are updated and published in our associated [Public Sector Employment statistics web tables](#). Tables 5 and 6 provide the headcount figures for the devolved and reserved civil service and Tables 12 and 13 provide the full-time equivalent figures.

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1. Public and Private Sector Employment in Scotland; Headcount

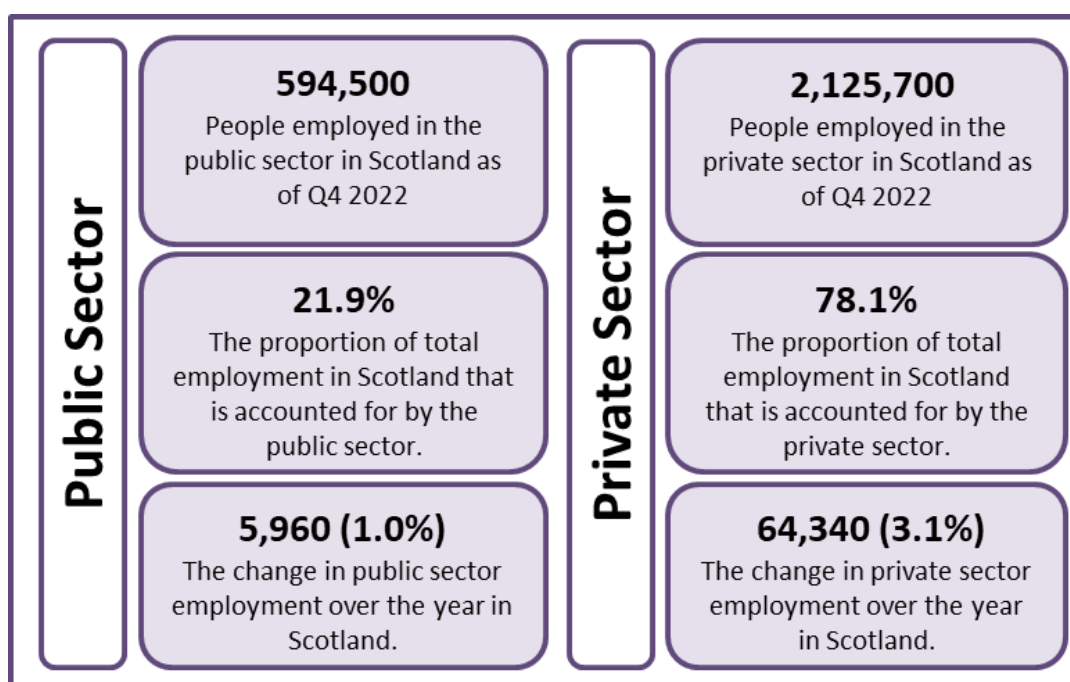
(see Table 1)

Public sector employment in Scotland increased by 5,960 (1.0%) between December 2021 and December 2022. This increase in public sector employment is mainly due to an increase in the devolved public sector.

The public sector is defined according to the [UK National Accounts Classifications Guide](#)

Figure 1 provides a summary of total employment in Scotland by public and private sector.

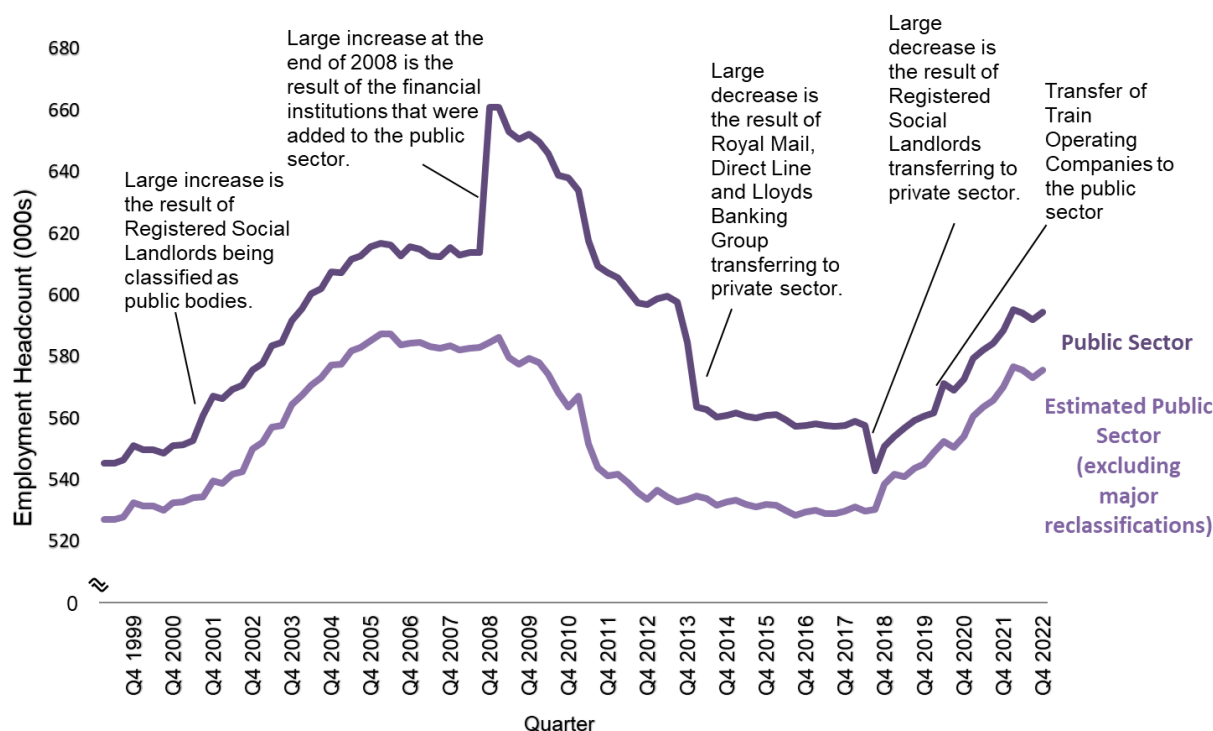
Figure 1: Public and Private⁴ Sector Employment in Scotland as at December 2022



Source: Public Sector Employment in Scotland, Quarter 4 2022

⁴ Estimates for **private sector employment** are based on non-seasonally adjusted total employment estimates from the Labour Force Survey, ONS and public sector employment figures.

Chart 1: Public Sector Employment in Scotland between March 1999 and December 2022, Headcount, non-seasonally adjusted



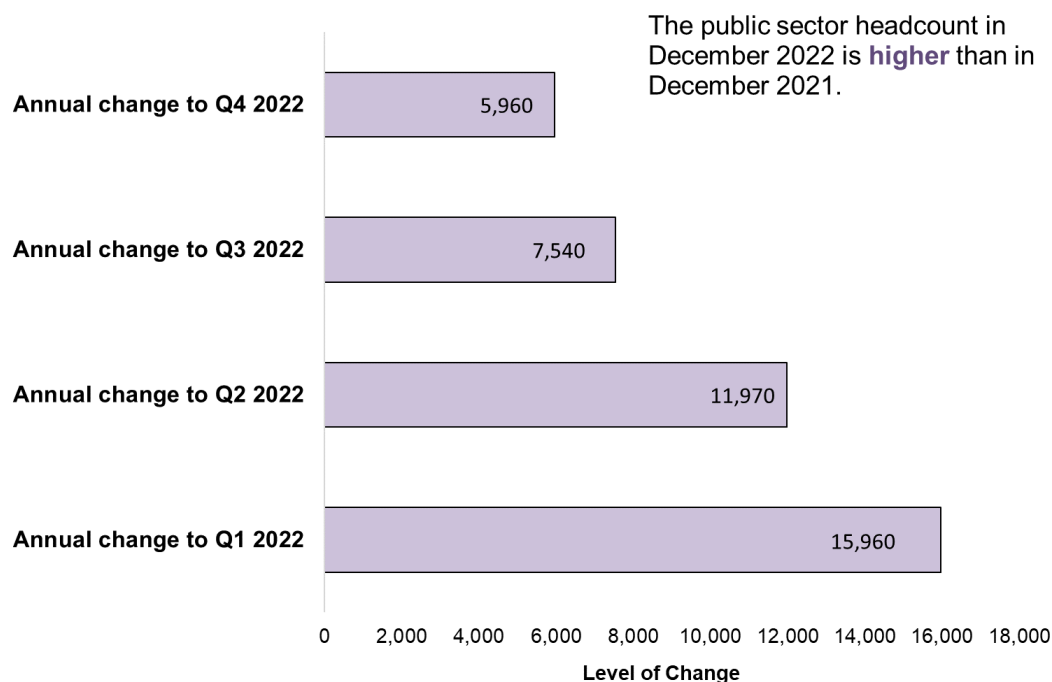
Source: Public Sector Employment in Scotland, Quarter 4 2022

Chart 1 shows that the number of people employed in the public sector remained relatively constant between Q1 2014 and Q2 2018, before falling in Q3 2018 and rising again from Q4 2018 onwards. Excluding the effects of major reclassifications⁵ (i.e. taking out the headcounts for all large organisations listed in footnote 5 from the overall numbers), the number of people employed in the public sector gradually reached a peak in Q2 2006, decreased until Q3 2013 and remained relatively constant until Q3 2018. The increase between Q3 2018 and Q4 2018 is mainly due to Cordia services moving back under Glasgow City Council services. Since Q4 2018, the series has typically been increasing over time.

Chart 2 shows the annual change in employment for the public sector. Employment increased by 5,960 (1.0%) between December 2021 and December 2022, driven by increases in the devolved public sector headcount. The devolved public sector headcount has mainly risen due to increases in local government and the devolved Civil Service.

⁵ Major reserved reclassifications include Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Lloyds Banking Group plc, Northern Rock plc, Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance, Lloyds Bank Asset Finance, Scottish Widows, Direct Line, Royal Mail Group plc, (known as the Post Office Ltd (until Q2 2006) and Network Rail. Devolved reclassifications include Registered Social Landlords, with Train Operating Companies split across Reserved and Devolved responsibility.

Chart 2: Annual Change in Employment for Public Sector, Headcount



Source: Public Sector Employment in Scotland, Quarter 4 2022

Impact of Excluding Major Reclassifications from Public Sector

If the major reclassifications⁵ were to be excluded from the public sector series (i.e. the headcounts for all large organisations listed in footnote 5 were taken out of the overall numbers), there would be around 576,000 people employed in the public sector as at December 2022. This was 21.2% of the total employment in Scotland compared with 21.9% if major reclassifications are included.

Public sector employment, excluding the effects of the major reclassifications, would be around 5,000 (1.0%) higher in December 2022 compared with December 2021. As this increase is similar to the increase when major reclassifications are included (5,960), it shows that the change over the year is mostly due to increases in substantive public sector organisations and is not overly influenced by reclassifications.

2. Public Sector Employment by Devolved and Reserved Responsibility; Headcount

(see Tables 2, 3 and 4)

The devolved public sector covers those bodies which are the responsibility of the Scottish Government or Scottish Parliament while the reserved public sector in Scotland covers those bodies for which the UK Government has ministerial responsibility.

The devolved public sector headcount was 1.0% higher in December 2022 compared with December 2021 and the reserved public sector was 1.1% higher.

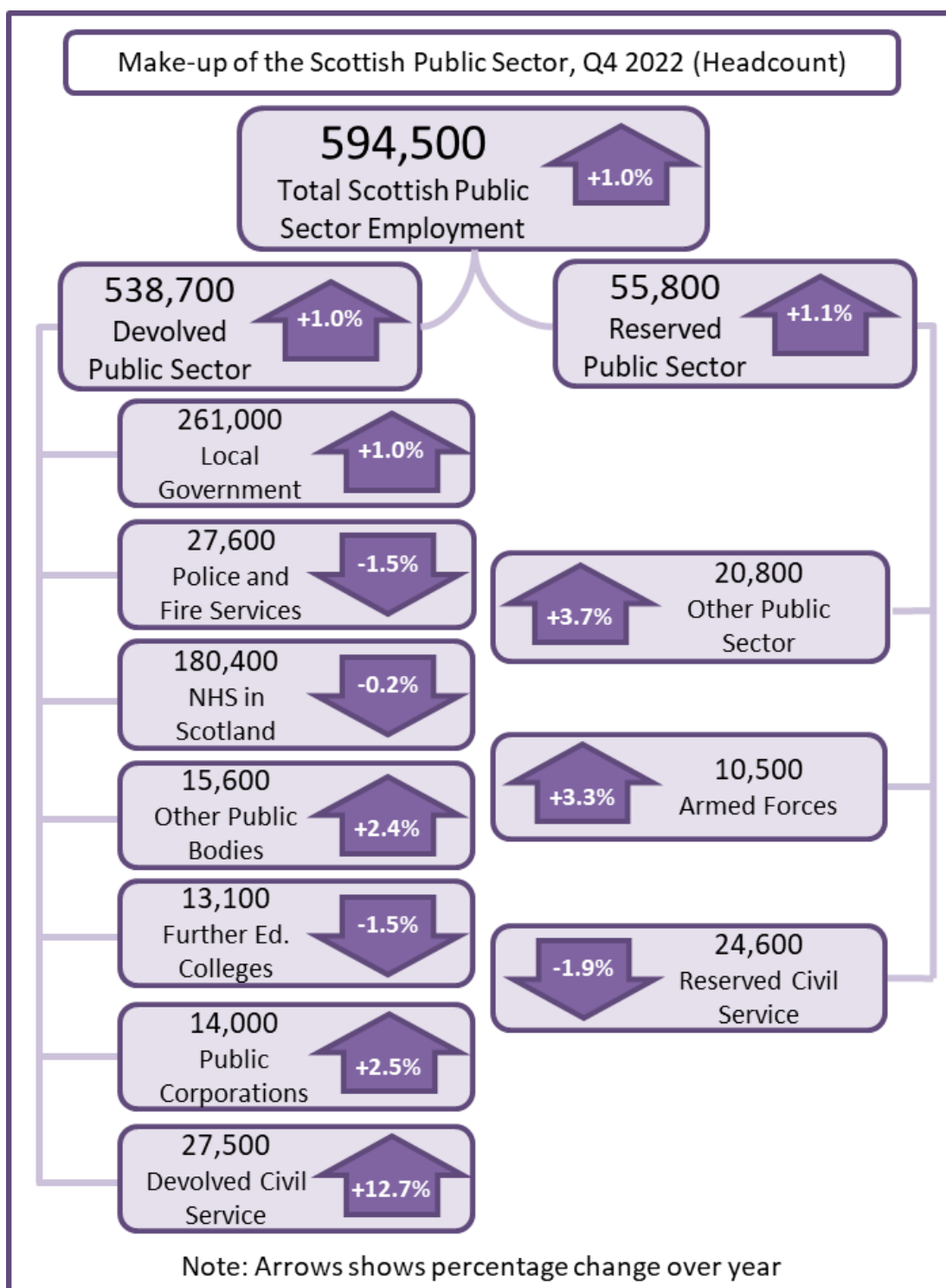
In the Devolved public sector, the devolved Civil Service saw the largest percentage increase (12.7%), while 'Police and Fire Services' and 'Further Education Colleges' had the largest percentage decrease (both -1.5%).

In the Reserved public sector, the Other Public Bodies⁶ saw the largest percentage increase (3.7%), while the reserved Civil Service had the largest percentage decrease (-1.9%).

Changes in the devolved and reserved public sector are explored in more detail in sections 3 and 4 respectively.

⁶ For the Reserved sector: Public corporations, public sector financial institutions and public bodies have been combined into 'other public sector' to ensure individual organisation employment figures are not disclosed.

Figure 2: Make-up of the Scottish Public Sector as at December 2022, Headcount⁷



Source: Public Sector Employment in Scotland, Quarter 4 2022

⁷ For further details on the make-up of the Scottish Public Sector, please see the background notes for this publication on the [About public sector employment statistics – background notes webpage](#)

3. Devolved Public Sector Employment in Scotland; Headcount

(see Table 3)

The devolved public sector includes:

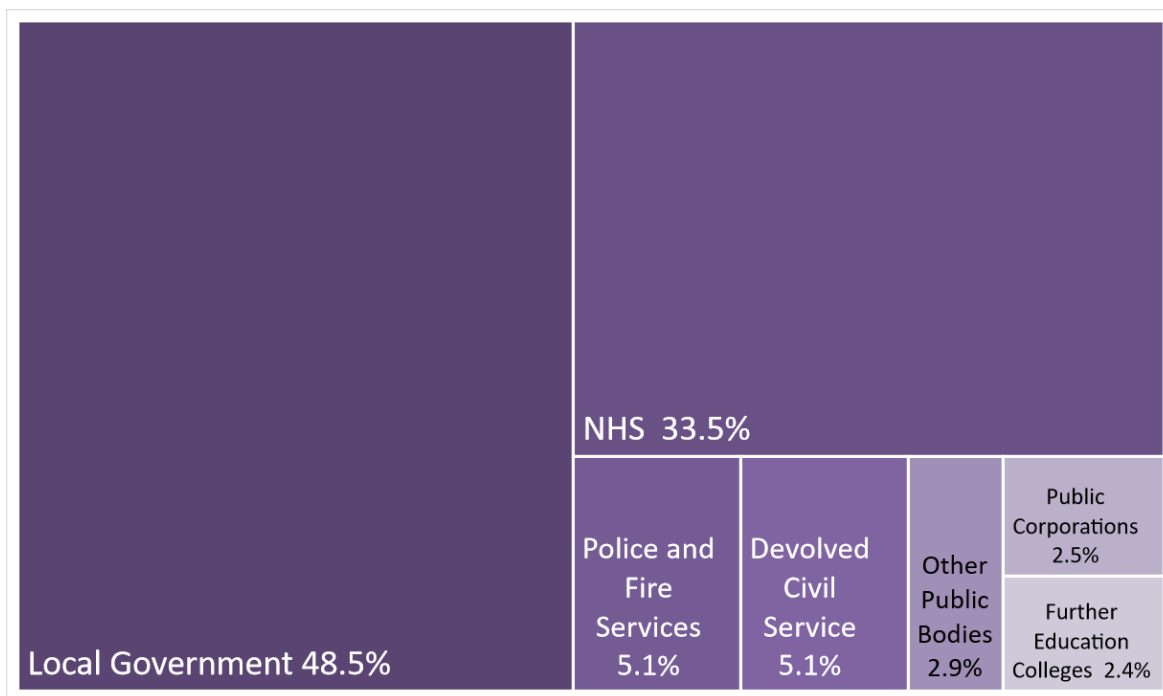
- Devolved Civil Service
- Local Government, covering Scottish Local Authorities, Police and Fire Services (up to Q1 2013), Valuation Joint Boards and Regional Transport Partnerships
- Police and Fire Services (Q2 2013 onwards)
- NHS in Scotland
- Further Education Colleges
- Devolved Public Corporations
- Other Devolved Public Bodies (which covers Non-Departmental Bodies and other bodies).

Employment in the devolved public sector was 538,700 in December 2022. This is 5,380 (1.0%) higher than in December 2021.

There was a large increase in devolved Civil Service by 3,100 (12.7%) when compared to December 2021. This increase is mainly due to increases in staffing at Social Security Scotland and in Scottish Government Core Departments.

Chart 3 shows the size of each group in the devolved public sector as at December 2022. Local Government and NHS employ the largest proportion of employees in the devolved public sector.

Chart 3: Breakdown of Devolved Public Sector Employment by Category as at December 2022, Headcount



Note: Totals may not equal the sum of the individual parts due to rounding

Source: Public Sector Employment in Scotland, Quarter 4 2022

The increase over the year in the devolved public sector headcount was due to the following changes (changes are given from December 2021 to December 2022):

- employment in the devolved Civil Service increased by 3,100 (12.7%) to 27,500 ⁸
- employment in Local Government increased by 2,490 (1.0%) to 261,000
- employment in Other Public Bodies increased by 360 (2.4%) to 15,600
- employment in Public Corporations increased by 330 (2.5%) to 14,000

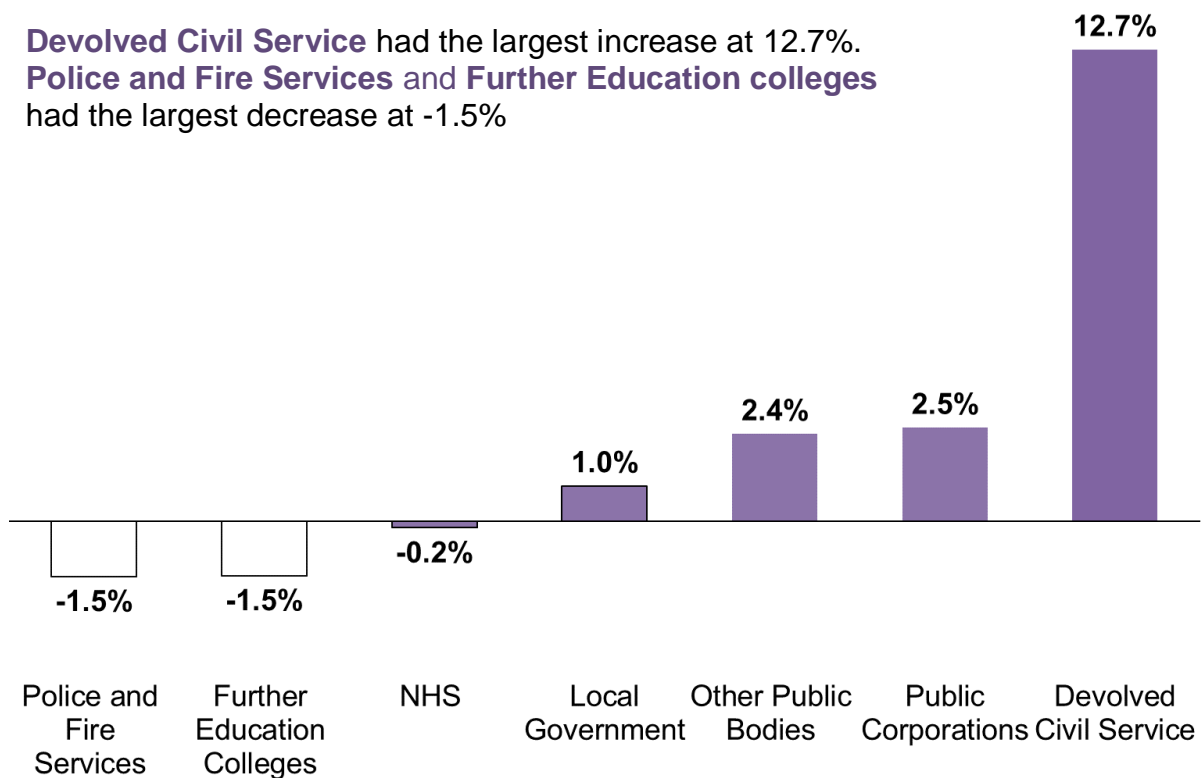
while:

⁸ A more detailed breakdown of the Devolved Civil Service data is published in the associated [Public Sector Employment data web tables](#)

- employment in Police and Fire Related Services decreased by 420 (-1.5%) to 27,600
- employment in the NHS decreased by 300 (-0.2%) to 180,400 ⁹
- employment in Further Education colleges decreased by 190 (-1.5%) to 13,100

Figure 3: Percentage Change (from December 2021 to December 2022) in the Devolved Public Sector, Headcount

Devolved Civil Service had the largest increase at 12.7%. **Police and Fire Services** and **Further Education colleges** had the largest decrease at -1.5%



⁹ A detailed breakdown of NHS employment by staffing group was published by NHS Education for Scotland (NES) on 7 March 2022, with data relating to 31 December 2022 in their [NHS Scotland official workforce statistics publication](#)

4. Reserved Public Sector Employment in Scotland; Headcount

(see Table 4)

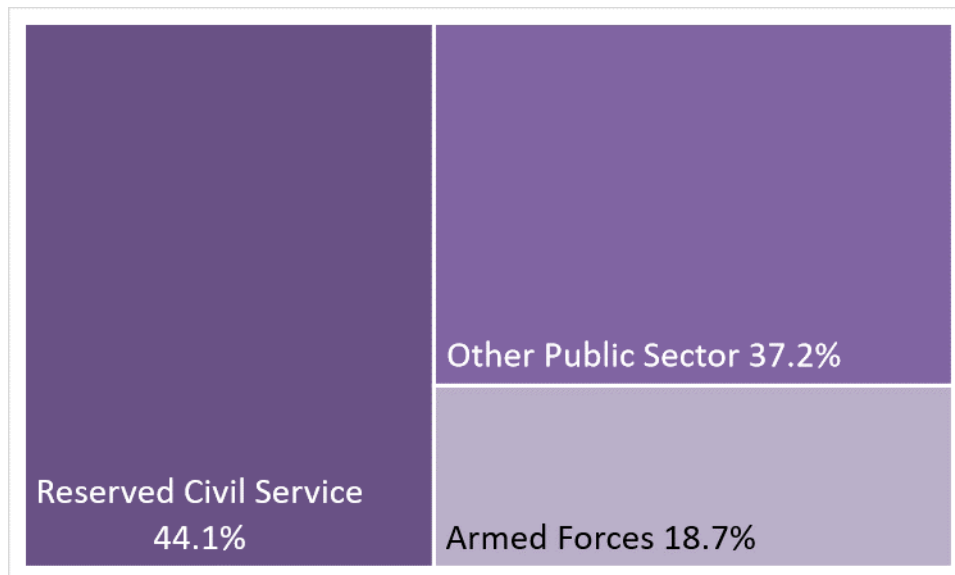
The reserved public sector employment includes:

- Reserved Civil Service
- Armed Forces
- Other Public Sector (which covers Public Sector Financial Institutions, Non-Departmental Bodies and Other Bodies)

The number of people employed in the reserved public sector in December 2022 was 55,800. This was 590 (1.1%) higher than in December 2021.

Chart 4 shows the size of each group in the reserved public sector as at December 2022. The reserved civil service employs the largest proportion of employees in the reserved public sector.

Chart 4: Breakdown of Reserved Public Sector Employment by Sector as at December 2022, Headcount



Source: Public Sector Employment in Scotland, Quarter 4 2022.

Note: Totals may not equal the sum of the individual parts due to rounding.

The increase over the year in the overall reserved public sector headcount was due to the following changes (changes are given from December 2021 to December 2022):

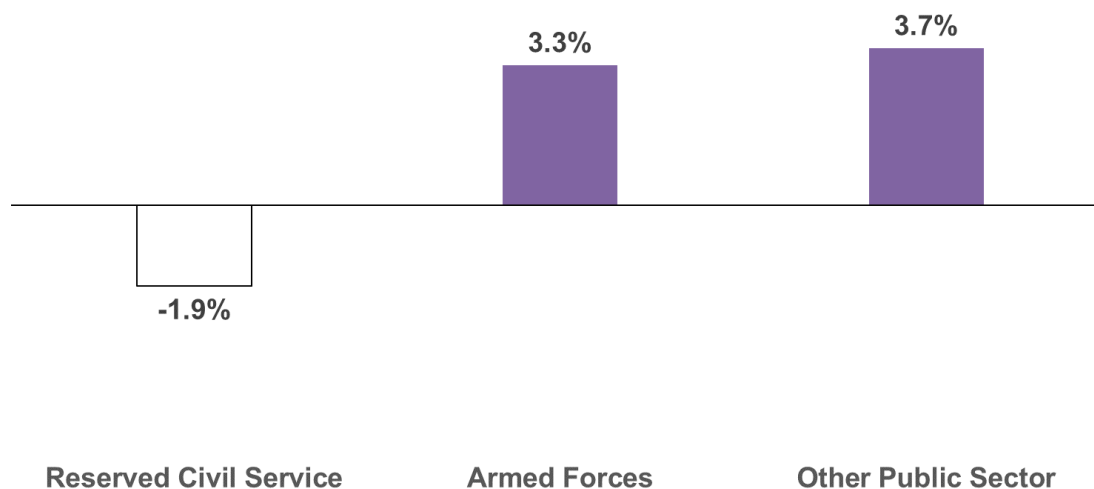
- employment in Other Public Sector increased by 730 (3.7%) to 20,800
- employment in the Armed Forces increased by 330 (3.3%) to 10,500

while:

- employment in reserved Civil Service decreased by 480 (-1.9%) to 24,600

Figure 4: Percentage Change (from December 2021 to December 2022) in the Reserved Public Sector, Headcount

Reserved Civil Service decreased by 1.9%.
Other Public Sector increased by 3.7%.



List of Tables

Please note: figures for previous years in the tables may differ from those in the [Public Sector Employment in Scotland, Statistics for 4th Quarter of 2021](#) publication released in March 2022 mostly due to reweighting of the ONS Labour Force Survey estimates (reweighted in June 2022) and revisions to data provided for some organisations (particularly in Local Government).

These tables are also provided in ODS (OpenDocument Spreadsheet) format as a supplementary document accompanying this publication. The ODS version conforms to the Scottish Government’s accessibility guidelines.

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These tables include comparisons for 1999 and 2016 to 2022 only. A complete time series, including all quarters back to Q1 1999, is provided in the [Public Sector Employment web tables](#)

Table 1: Number of people employed by public and private sector; Scotland, Headcount¹

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Quarter ⁷	Total Employment ⁶	Private Sector ²		Public Sector		Estimated Private Sector including major reclassifications ^{3,4}		Estimated Public Sector excluding major reclassifications ^{3,5}	
	Level	Level	Percentage of total employment	Level	Percentage of total employment	Level	Percentage of total employment	Level	Percentage of total employment
Q4 1999	2,276,000	1,725,100	75.8%	551,100	24.2%	1,744,000	76.6%	533,000	23.4%
Q4 2016 r	2,612,000	2,054,700	78.7%	557,800	21.3%	2,083,000	79.7%	529,000	20.3%
Q4 2017 r	2,640,000	2,082,000	78.9%	557,700	21.1%	2,110,000	79.9%	530,000	20.1%
Q4 2018 r	2,650,000	2,098,900	79.2%	550,800	20.8%	2,111,000	79.7%	539,000	20.3%
Q4 2019 r	2,640,000	2,079,800	78.8%	560,500	21.2%	2,095,000	79.4%	545,000	20.6%
Q4 2020 r	2,608,000	2,035,900	78.0%	572,600	22.0%	2,054,000	78.8%	554,000	21.2%
Q4 2021 r	2,650,000	2,061,400	77.8%	588,600	22.2%	2,080,000	78.5%	570,000	21.5%
Q4 2022	2,720,000	2,125,700	78.1%	594,500	21.9%	2,145,000	78.8%	576,000	21.2%
Change on year to Q4 2022	70,300	64,340	0.4 p.p.	5,960	-0.4 p.p.	65,000	0.4 p.p.	5,000	-0.4 p.p.
% change on year Q4 2022	2.7%	3.1%		1.0%		3.1%		1.0%	

p.p. - percentage points, r - revision

Notes:

1. Employment figures have been rounded to the nearest hundred, unless otherwise stated. Change on year rounded to the nearest ten. Totals may not equal the sum of individual parts due to rounding.
2. Private sector is derived as the difference between the Labour Force Survey 'Total employment' workforce based estimate for the whole of Scotland (not seasonally adjusted) and the public sector estimate (derived from individual organisation statistical returns).
3. Major reclassifications include: Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Lloyds Banking Group plc, Northern Rock plc, Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance, Lloyds Bank Asset Finance, Scottish Widows, Direct Line, Royal Mail Group plc, Post Office Ltd (until Q2 2006), Network Rail, Registered Social Landlords and Train Operating Companies.
4. Private sector including major reclassifications includes the figures for the above organisations in the private sector series when they were part of the public sector and are rounded to the nearest thousand.
5. Public sector excluding major reclassifications excludes the figures for the above organisations from the public sector series when they were part of the public sector and are rounded to the nearest thousand.
6. Total employment figures are rounded to the nearest thousand and are taken from Labour Force Survey (LFS).
7. There have been revisions to this data, in particular to the private sector figures due to the ONS Labour Force Survey estimates for total employment being reweighted in June 2022 (resulting in small revisions from Q1 2020 to Q4 2021). There were also changes to the public sector values due to revisions in Local Government figures among other small changes

Table 2: Public sector employment by devolved and reserved sector; Scotland, Headcount and Full-time equivalent¹

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Quarter ⁴	Headcount			Full-time equivalent		
	Total Public Sector	Devolved Public Sector ²	Reserved Public Sector ³	Total Public Sector	Devolved Public Sector ²	Reserved Public Sector ³
Q4 1999	551,100	474,300	76,700	460,200	387,100	73,100
Q4 2016 r	557,800	501,200	56,600	477,800	424,600	53,200
Q4 2017 r	557,700	502,000	55,700	479,400	427,000	52,400
Q4 2018 r	550,800	496,000	54,800	471,600	419,900	51,600
Q4 2019 r	560,500	504,200	56,300	480,100	427,100	53,000
Q4 2020 r	572,600	518,000	54,600	493,400	441,900	51,500
Q4 2021 r	588,600	533,300	55,200	508,400	456,100	52,300
Q4 2022	594,500	538,700	55,800	513,400	460,400	53,000
Change on year to Q4 2022	5,960	5,380	590	5,070	4,340	730
% change on year Q4 2022	1.0%	1.0%	1.1%	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%

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Notes:

1. Employment figures have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Change on year rounded to the nearest ten. Percentages are based on unrounded figures. Totals may not equal the sum of individual parts due to rounding.

2. Devolved Public Sector consists of the following staff groups: Civil Service, Other Public Bodies, NHS, Further Education Colleges, Local Government and Public Corporations (as shown in Table 3).

3. Reserved Public Sector consists of the following staff groups: Civil Service, Armed Forces, Other Public Sector (as shown in Table 4)

4. There have been revisions to this data, in particular revisions in Local Government figures, changing the headcounts for the Total Devolved Public Sector and the Total Public Sector columns

Table 3: Total devolved public sector employment by sector; Scotland, Headcount^{1,4}

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Quarter ⁵	Total Devolved Public Sector	NHS	Civil Service	Police and Fire Services ²	Further Education Colleges ³	Other Public Bodies ³	Local Government ²	Public Corporations
Q4 1999	474,300	129,800	14,500	-	15,700	8,500	296,000	9,000
Q4 2016 r	501,200	162,300	16,800	27,900	13,900	15,300	242,000	23,000
Q4 2017 r	502,000	163,400	17,300	27,600	13,900	15,400	241,000	23,000
Q4 2018 r	496,000	163,800	18,200	27,800	14,000	15,900	248,000	8,000
Q4 2019 r	504,200	165,900	20,600	28,100	14,200	15,900	251,000	8,000
Q4 2020 r	518,000	172,600	21,600	28,200	13,400	15,700	253,000	14,000
Q4 2021 r	533,300	180,700	24,400	28,100	13,300	15,200	259,000	13,000
Q4 2022	538,700	180,400	27,500	27,600	13,100	15,600	261,000	14,000
Change on year to Q4 2022	5,380	-300	3,100	-420	-190	360	2,490	330
% change on year Q4 2022	1.0%	-0.2%	12.7%	-1.5%	-1.5%	2.4%	1.0%	2.5%

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Notes:

1. Employment figures have been rounded to the nearest hundred, with the exception of local government and public corporation figures which are rounded to the nearest thousand; change on year rounded to the nearest ten; percentages are based on unrounded figures. "-" denotes blank entries. Totals may not equal the sum of individual parts due to rounding.

2. Police and Fire Reform: From Q2 2013 Police and Fire Services have been reclassified as central government rather than local government (as their predecessors were). All police staff are employed by the Scottish Police Authority (SPA) whether deployed with the SPA or with the Police Service of Scotland.

3. Information for further education colleges in Scotland is based on collected information from Q4 2010. The method used to create the back series is detailed in the background notes of this publication.

4. For further information on interpreting these series, see the series reclassification guide or background notes of the publication.

5. There have been revisions to this data, in particular revisions in Local Government figures, changing the headcounts for the Local Government and Total Devolved Public Sector columns

Table 4: Total reserved public sector employment by sector; Scotland, Headcount^{1,3}

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Quarter	Total Reserved Public Sector	Civil Service	Armed Forces	Other Public Sector ²
Q4 1999	76,700	33,800	15,100	27,800
Q4 2016	56,600	25,700	10,000	20,900
Q4 2017	55,700	25,500	9,800	20,400
Q4 2018	54,800	24,900	9,700	20,300
Q4 2019	56,300	24,300	9,700	22,300
Q4 2020	54,600	24,600	9,800	20,200
Q4 2021	55,200	25,100	10,100	20,000
Q4 2022	55,800	24,600	10,500	20,800
Change on year to Q4 2022	590	-480	330	730
% change on year Q4 2022	1.1%	-1.9%	3.3%	3.7%

Notes:

1. Figures have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Change on year rounded to the nearest ten. Percentages are based on unrounded figures. Totals may not equal the sum of individual parts due to rounding.

2. Public corporations, public sector financial institutions and public bodies, have been combined into 'other public sector' to ensure individual organisation figures are not disclosed.

3. For further information on interpreting these series, see the series reclassification guide or background notes of the publication.

Table 5: Total devolved public sector employment by sector; Scotland, Full-time equivalent ^{1,4}
Not Seasonally Adjusted

Quarter	Total Devolved Public Sector	NHS	Civil Service	Police and Fire Services ²	Further Education Colleges ³	Other Public Bodies	Local Government ²	Public Corporations
Q4 1999	387,100	106,900	14,000	-	11,500	7,800	238,000	9,000
Q4 2016	424,600	139,300	15,900	27,200	10,300	13,700	198,000	21,000
Q4 2017	427,000	140,300	16,300	26,900	10,400	13,800	199,000	21,000
Q4 2018	419,900	140,700	17,200	27,200	10,400	14,200	202,000	8,000
Q4 2019	427,100	142,500	19,500	27,400	10,500	14,200	205,000	8,000
Q4 2020	441,900	148,600	20,400	27,500	10,200	14,100	208,000	13,000
Q4 2021 r	456,100	155,800	23,200	27,400	10,300	13,900	213,000	13,000
Q4 2022	460,400	155,900	26,100	27,000	10,100	14,200	214,000	13,000
Change on year to Q4 2022	4,340	90	2,980	-400	-130	350	1,170	280
% change on year Q4 2022	1.0%	0.1%	12.9%	-1.5%	-1.3%	2.5%	0.5%	2.2%

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Notes:

1. Employment figures have been rounded to the nearest hundred, with the exception of local government and public corporation figures which are rounded to the nearest thousand; change on year rounded to the nearest ten; percentages are based on unrounded figures. "-" denotes blank entries. Totals may not equal the sum of individual parts due to rounding.

2. Police and Fire Reform: From Q2 2013 Police and Fire Services have been reclassified as central government rather than local government (as their predecessors were). All police staff are employed by the Scottish Police Authority (SPA) whether deployed with the SPA or with the Police Service of Scotland.

3. Information for further education colleges in Scotland is based on collected information from Q4 2010. The method used to create the back series is detailed in the background notes of this publication.

4. For further information on interpreting these series, see the series reclassification guide or background notes of the publication.

Table 6: Total reserved public sector employment by sector; Scotland, Full-time equivalent ^{1,3}
Not Seasonally Adjusted

Quarter	Total Reserved Public Sector	Civil Service	Armed Forces	Other Public Sector²
Q4 1999	73,100	31,900	15,100	26,100
Q4 2016	53,200	23,400	10,000	19,800
Q4 2017	52,400	23,300	9,800	19,300
Q4 2018	51,600	22,600	9,700	19,300
Q4 2019	53,000	22,100	9,700	21,200
Q4 2020	51,500	22,300	9,800	19,300
Q4 2021	52,300	23,000	10,100	19,200
Q4 2022	53,000	22,600	10,500	20,000
Change on year to Q4 2022	730	-360	330	750
% change on year Q4 2022	1.4%	-1.5%	3.3%	3.9%

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Notes:

1. Employment figures have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Change on year rounded to the nearest ten. Percentages are based on unrounded figures. Totals may not equal the sum of individual parts due to rounding.

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