City of York Council

Job Seekers Allowance

March 2020

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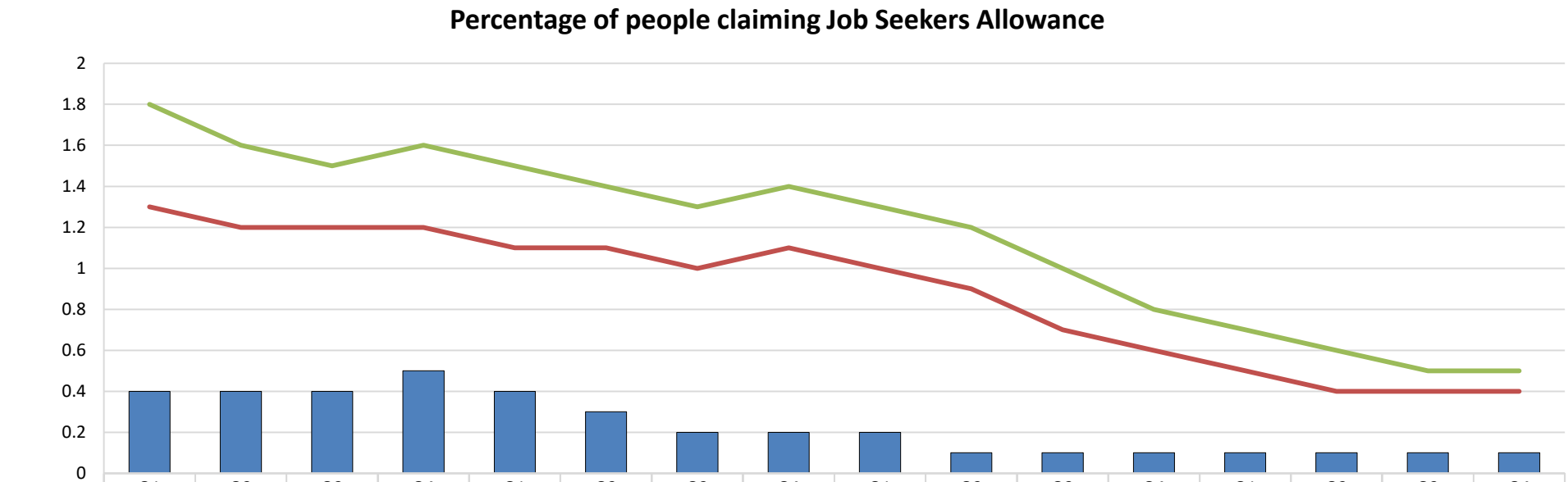
York overall picture:

- The JSA claimant count for York in March 2020 is 185.
- In March 2019 the figure was 180, which is an increase of 2.8% .
- This represents 0.1% of the working age population.
- The region stands at 0.5% and GB at 0.4%.
- The highest JSA claimant count in York in the past 10 years (from March 2010) is from February 2010 with a figure of 4,110 or 3.1% of the working age population.



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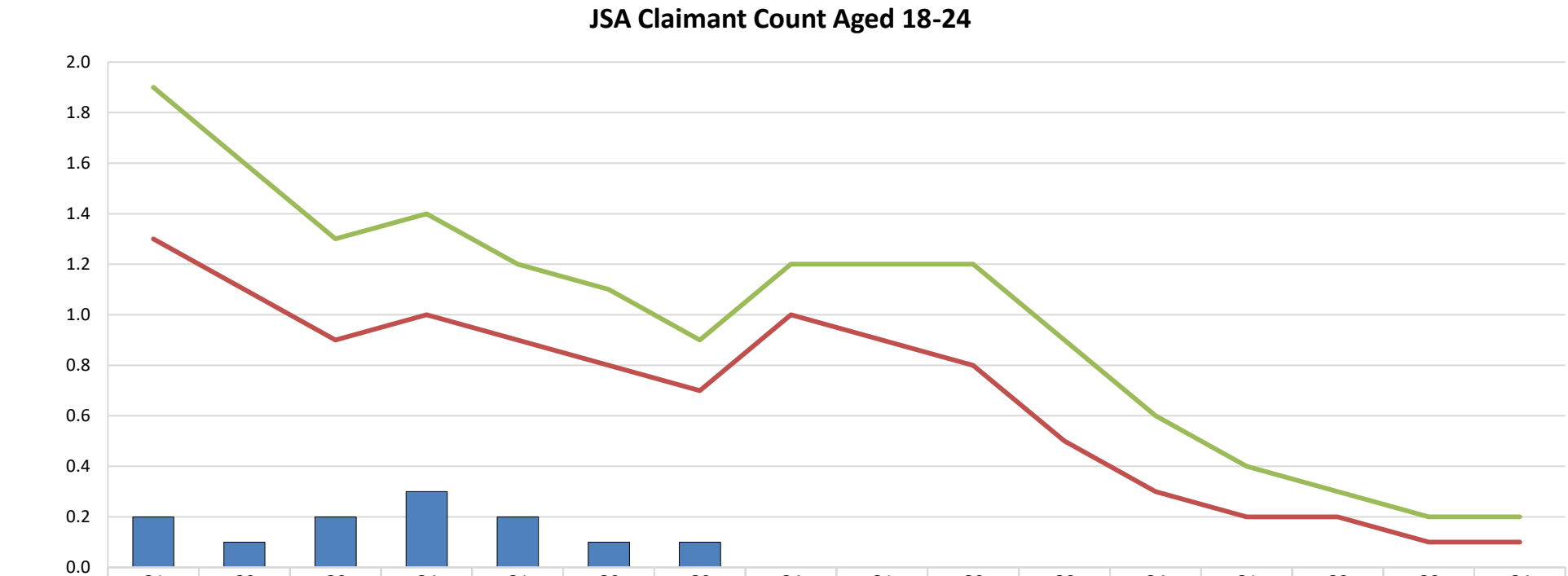
York	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
GB	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1	1.1	1	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
Y & H	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2	1	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5

Source: nomis - official labour market statistics (ONS)

JSA Claimants 18 - 24 years old

- York has seen no change in its Youth Unemployment count.
- In March 2020 the total number of claimants (18-24) stood at 5, an increase of 5 from March 2019.
- This represents 0.0% of the working age population.
- The region stands at 0.2% and GB at 0.1%.



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	2016/17				2017/18				2018/19				2019/20			
York	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GB	1.3	1.1	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Y & H	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2

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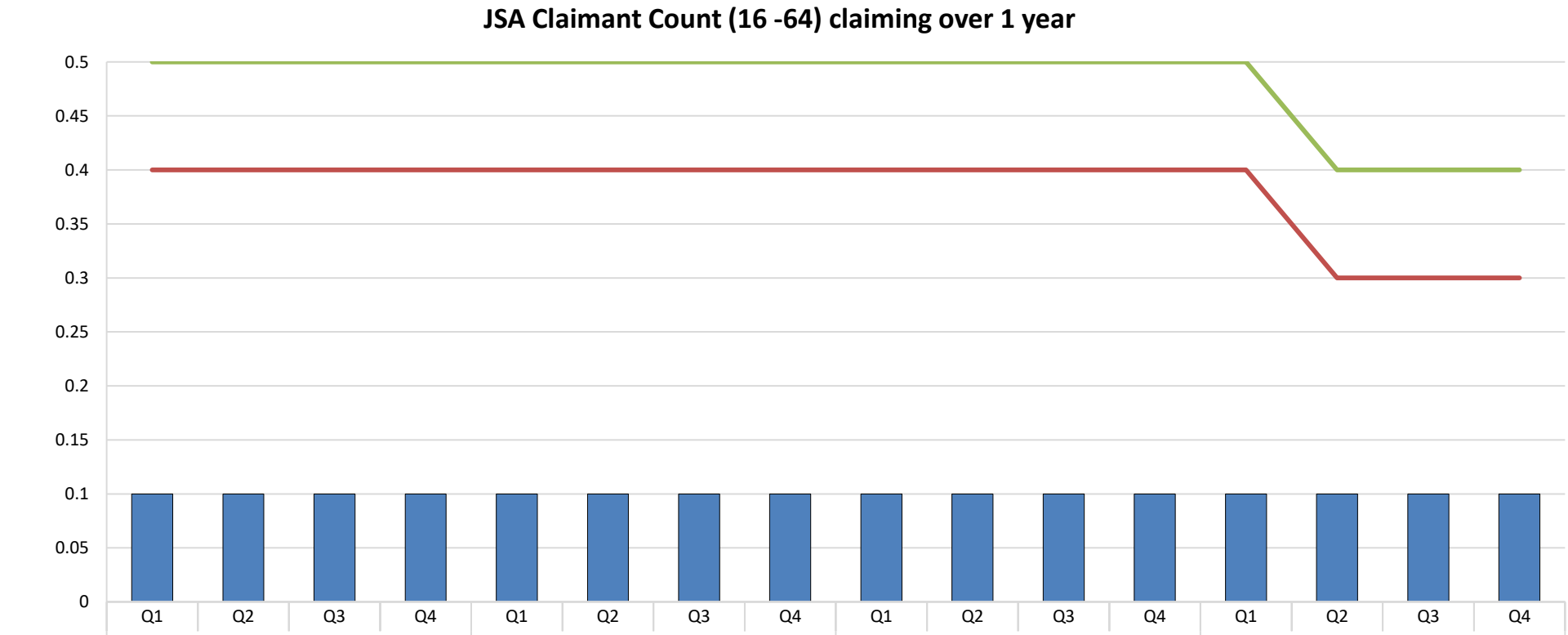
JSA Claimaints out of work for over one year

- Claimants out of work for over one year, decreased by 5 from last month, totalling 75, 25 less than one year ago - a 25.0% decrease.
- This represents 0.1% of the working age population who were out of work for over 1 year.
- The region stands at 0.4% and GB at 0.3%.



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	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
York	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
GB	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Y & H	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4

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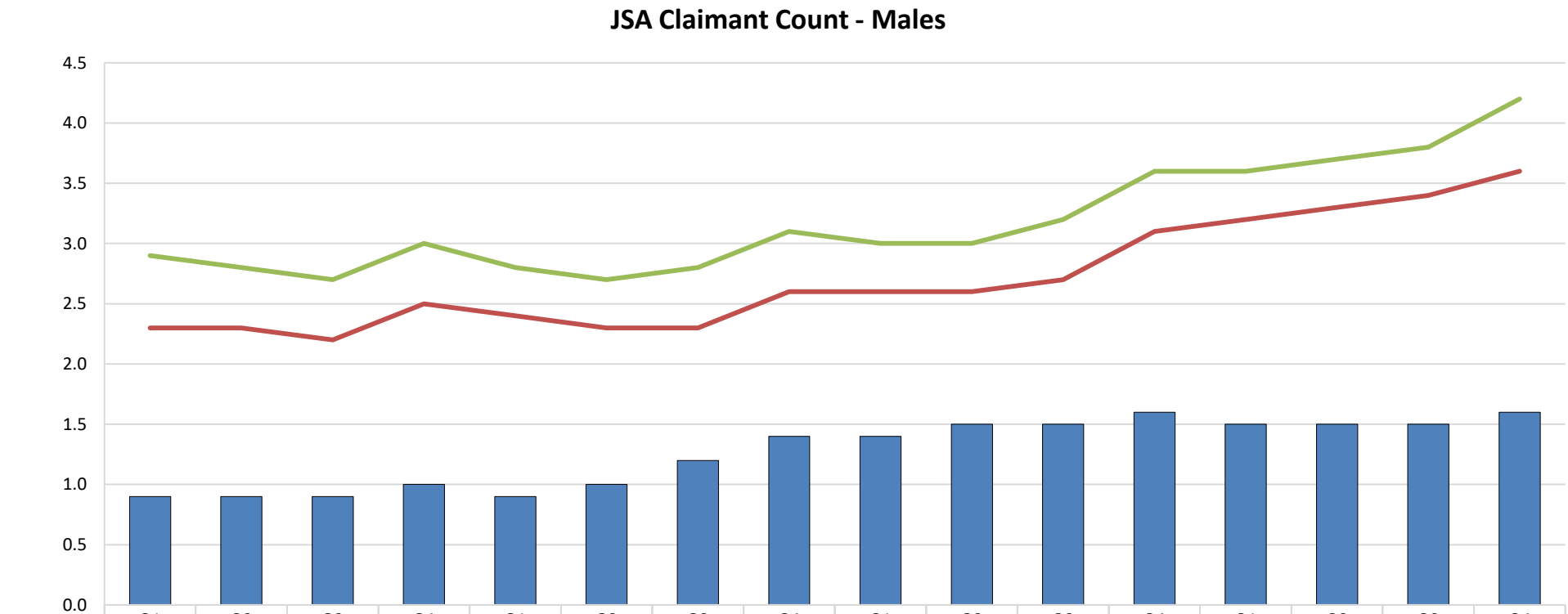
JSA Male Claimant Count

- Male Claimants have increased by 5 from last month, totalling 105, 5 less than one year ago - a 4.5% decrease.
- This represents 1.6 % of the male working age population.
- The region stands at 4.2% and GB at 3.6%.



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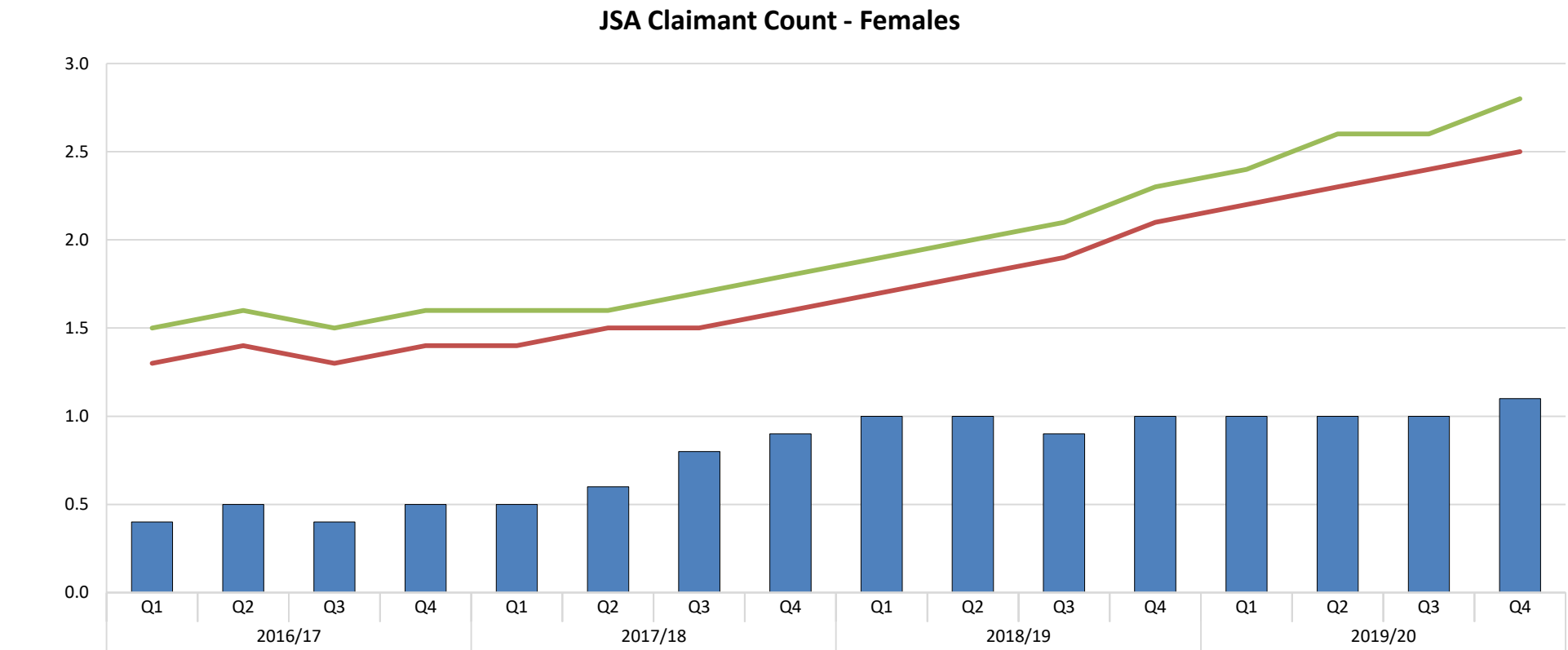
York	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6
GB	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.6
Y & H	2.9	2.8	2.7	3.0	2.8	2.7	2.8	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.8	4.2

Source: nomis - official labour market statistics (ONS)

JSA Female Claimants

- Female Claimants have increased by 5 from last month, totalling 80, 10 more than one year ago - a 14.3% increase.
- This represents 1.1 % of the female working age population.
- The region stands at 2.8% and GB at 2.5%.



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York	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1
GB	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.5
Y & H	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.8

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York Wards

Below are the claimant count for Wards comparing the latest available data with the previous month and the previous year.

Job Seekers Allowance Claimants - Ward Analysis (Mar 2020)

Total JSA Claimants

Ward	March 2020		February 2020		March 2019	
Westfield	2.7	245	2.7	240	2.7	245
Heworth	2.1	205	1.9	190	1.9	190
Clifton	2.0	195	2.0	200	2.1	220
Holgate	1.9	165	1.7	150	2.0	175
Huntington & New Earswick	1.5	140	1.4	140	1.6	150
Acomb	1.5	130	1.4	130	1.3	125
Micklegate	1.4	110	1.4	105	1.3	115
Guildhall	1.3	100	1.4	100	1.5	85
Heworth Without	1.2	85	1.0	85	0.5	70
Rawcliffe & Clifton Without	1.1	85	1.1	80	0.9	70
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe	1.1	85	1.1	75	1.4	70
Osbaldwick & Derwent	1.0	75	0.7	80	0.9	100
Fishergate	1.0	45	1.0	35	0.9	40
Bishopthorpe	0.9	40	0.9	40	0.6	35
Strensall	0.8	35	0.8	35	0.7	45
Hull Road	0.8	30	0.8	30	0.7	35
Fulford & Heslington	0.8	25	0.6	20	0.8	10
Rural West York	0.7	20	0.7	15	0.8	15
Haxby & Wigginton	0.6	20	0.6	20	0.7	10
Copmanthorpe	0.6	15	0.5	15	0.5	15
Wheldrake	0.5	15	0.6	10	0.6	10

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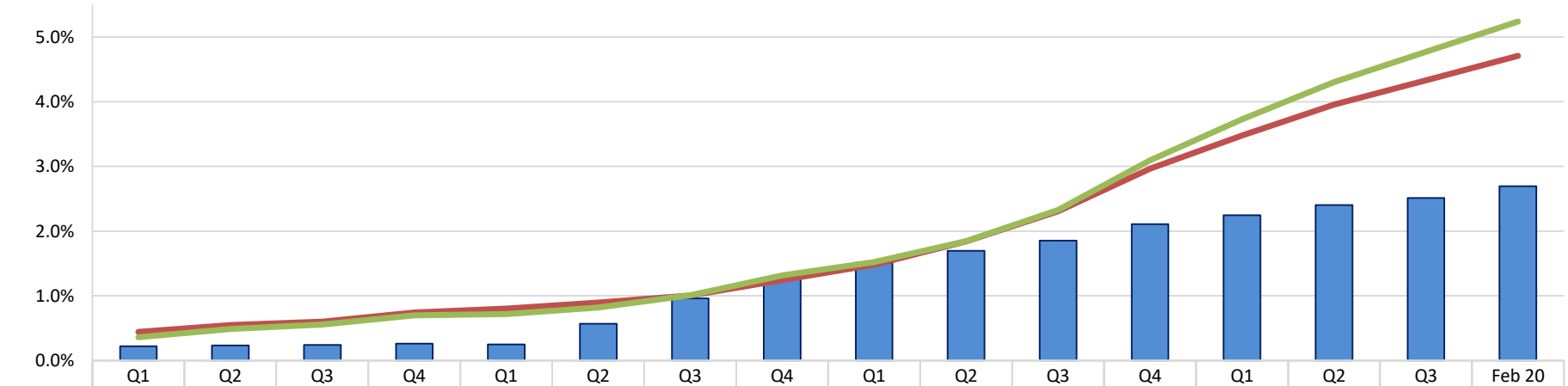
Universal Credit Claimants

The JSA figures should be viewed in the context of the number of people receiving Universal Credit in York increasing from 6,408 in February to 6,563 in March. Under Universal Credit a broader span of claimants are required to look for work than under Jobseekers Allowance. As Universal Credit Full Service is rolled out in particular areas, the number of people recorded as being on the Claimant Count is therefore likely to rise.

Of which, in February, 3,745 were not in employment. The March figures will not be released until next month.

On 12 July 2017 Universal Credit became available to parents and couples in the York area, until this date Universal Credit was only available to single job seekers in the area. From November 2019 the provisional figures will show the total of those claiming Universal Credit. A breakdown will only be shown when the figures are revised.



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	2016/17				2017/18				2018/19				2019/20			
York	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.6%	1.0%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%	1.9%	2.1%	2.2%	2.4%	2.5%	2.7%
GB	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	0.8%	0.9%	1.0%	1.2%	1.5%	1.8%	2.3%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.3%	4.7%
Y & H	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	1.0%	1.3%	1.5%	1.8%	2.3%	3.1%	3.7%	4.3%	4.8%	5.2%

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Following the introduction of Universal Credit, the claimant count takes into account:

- people claiming contribution JSA (this is not affected by the introduction of Universal Credit)
- the figures for Universal Credit are provisional for the current month and may be revised in the next update.