City of York Council

Job Seekers Allowance

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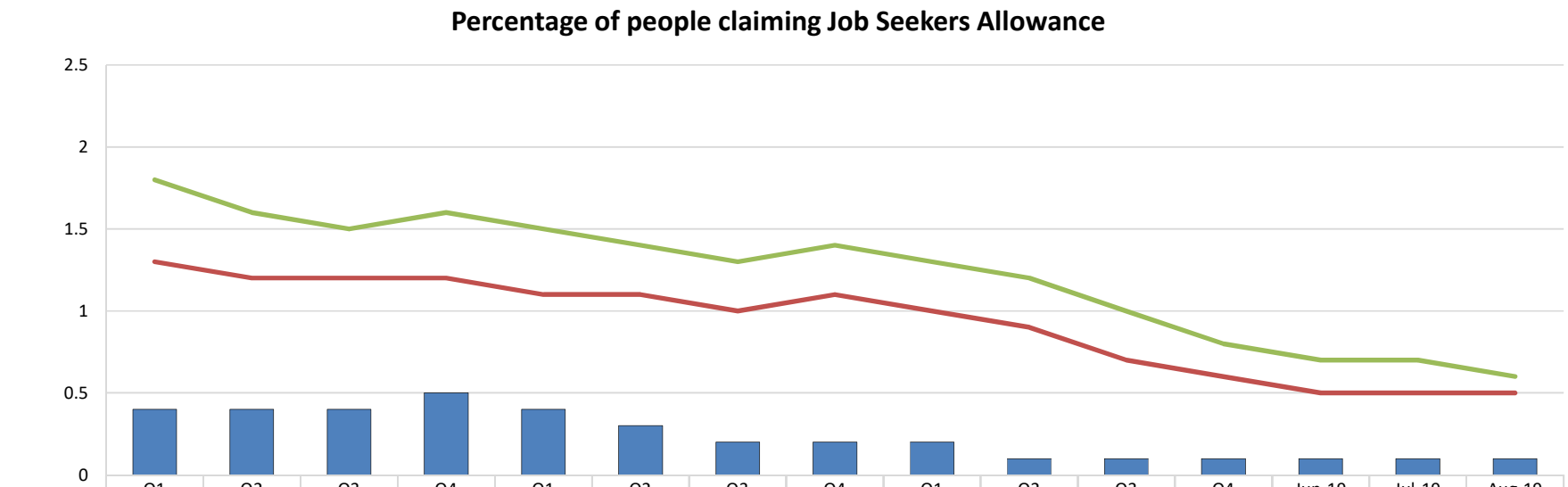
York overall picture:

- The JSA claimant count for York in August 2019 is 190.
- In August 2018 the figure was 205, which is a decrease of 7.3%. .
- This represents 0.1% of the working age population.
- The region stands at 0.6% and GB at 0.5%.
- The highest JSA claimant count in York in the past 10 years (from August 2009) is from February 2010 with a figure of 4,110 or 3.1% of the working age population.



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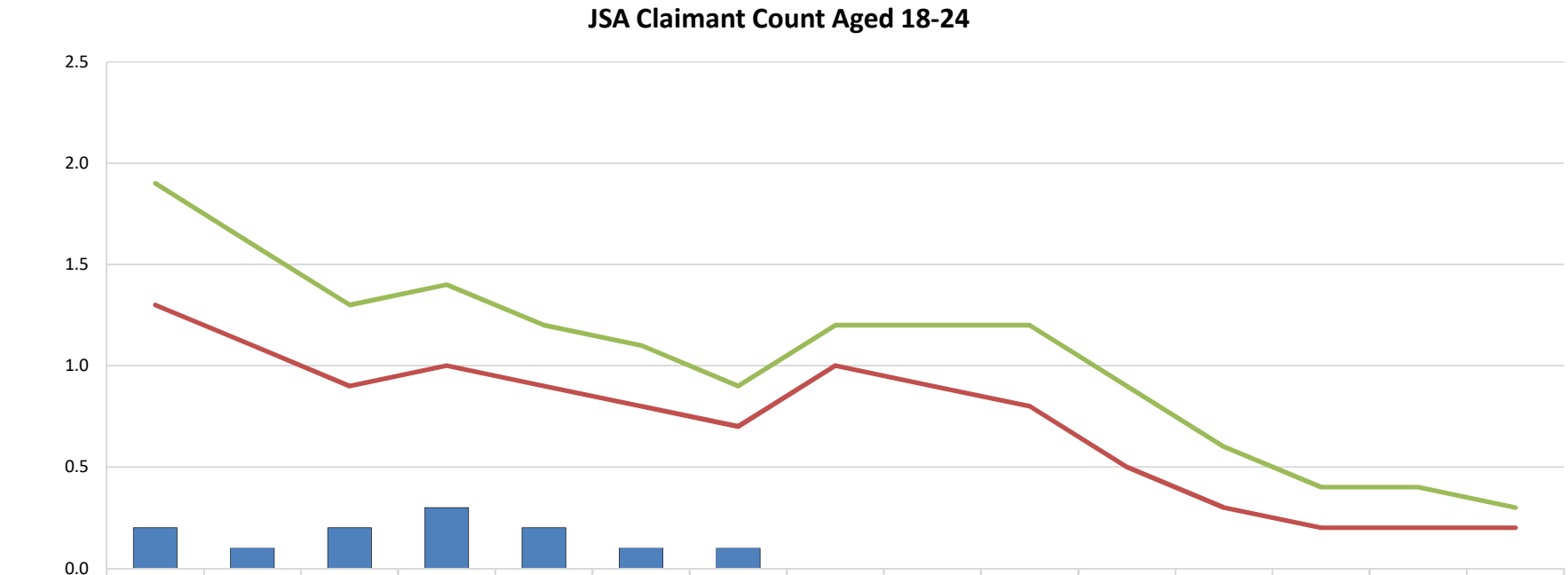
	2016/17				2017/18				2018/19				2019/20		
York	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
GB	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1	1.1	1	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
Y & H	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2	1	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6

Source: nomis - official labour market statistics (ONS)

JSA Claimants 18 - 24 years old

- York has seen an increase in its Youth Unemployment count, up by 5 from last month.
- In August 2019 the total number of claimants (18-24) stood at 10, an increase of 5 (a 100.0% increase) fromAugust 2018.
- This represents 0.0 %of the working age population who were out of work for over 1 year.
- The region stands at 0.3%and GB at 0.2%.



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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
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	0.2
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	0.4	0.3

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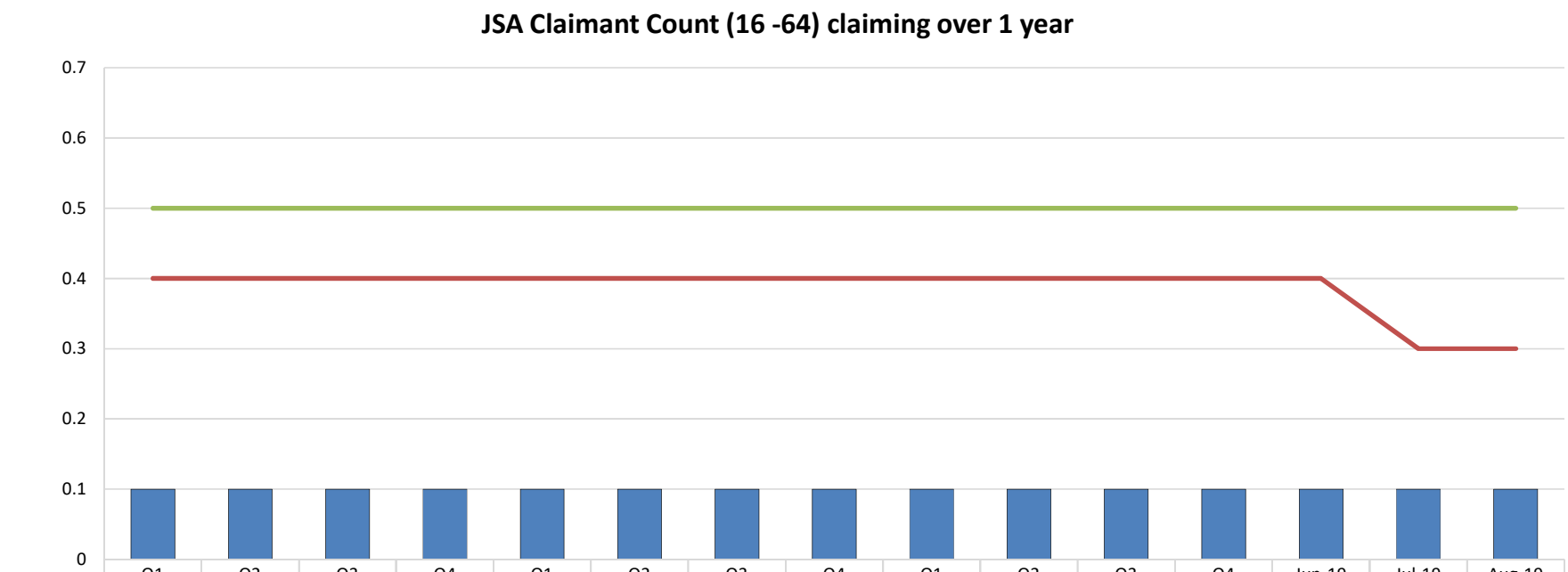
JSA Claimaints out of work for over one year

- Claimants out of work for over one year, decreased by 5 from last month, totalling 90, 40 less than one year ago - a 30.8% decrease.
- This represents 0.1 % of the working age population who were out of work for over 1 year.
- The region stands at 0.5% and GB at 0.3%.



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	2016/17				2017/18				2018/19				2019/20		
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
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
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	0.5	0.5

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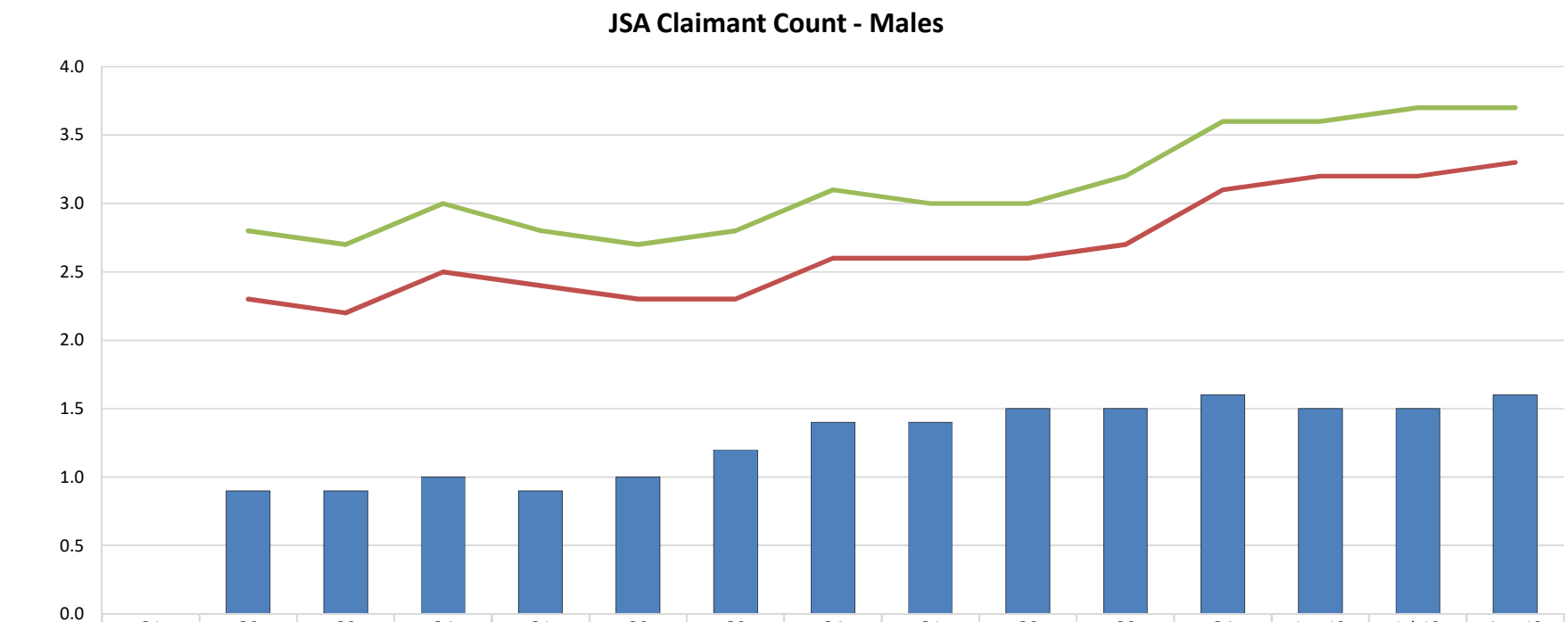
JSA Male Claimant Count

- Male Claimants have decreased by 5 from last month, totalling 110, no change from one year ago.
- This represents 1.6 % of the male working age population.
- The region stands at 3.7% and GB at 3.3%.



	2016/17				2017/18				2018/19				2019/20		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19
York		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	1.6
GB		2.3	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3
Y & H		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	3.7

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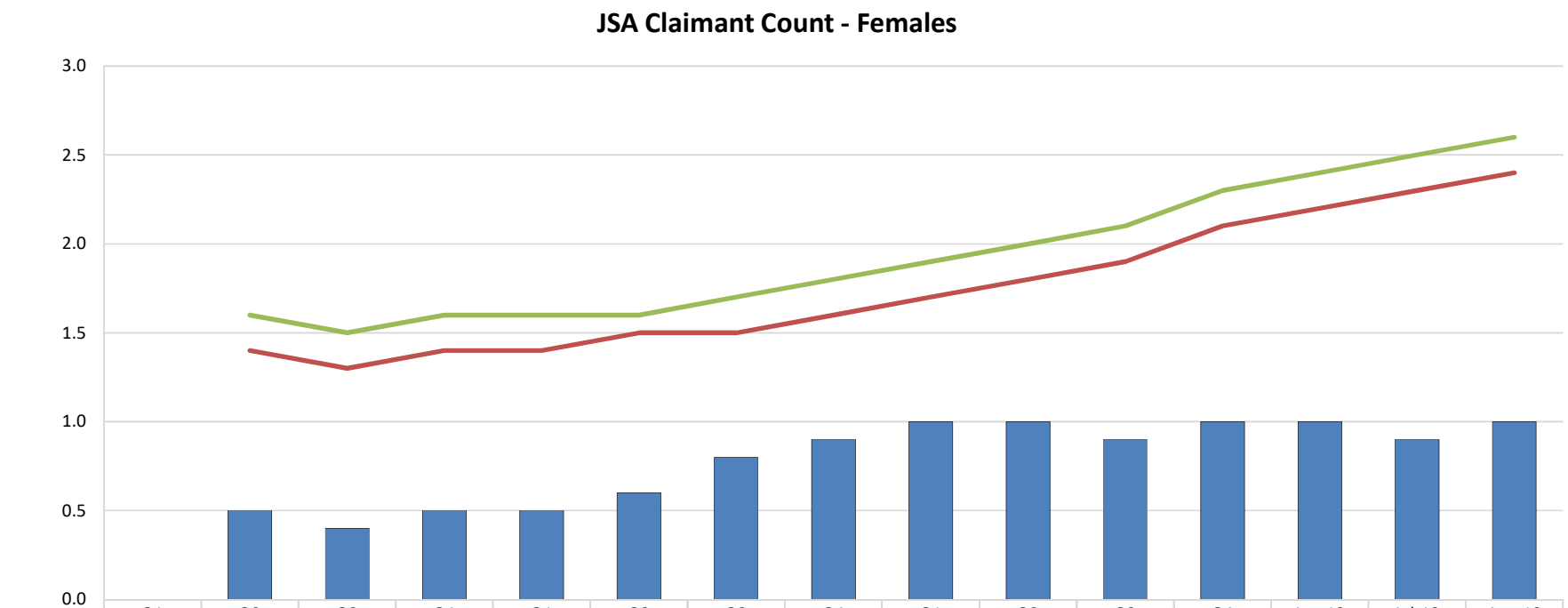
JSA Female Claimants

- Female Claimants have increased by 15 from last month, totalling 80, 15 less than one year ago - a 15.8% decrease.
- This represents 1.0 % of the female working age population.
- The region stands at 2.6% and GB at 2.4%.



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	2016/17				2017/18				2018/19				2019/20		
York		0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0
GB		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
Y & H		1.6	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.6

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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 (Aug 2019)

	Total JSA Claimants					
Ward	August 2019		July 2019		August 2018	
Westfield	2.6	235	2.6	230	2.7	240
Clifton	2.1	185	1.9	175	1.9	165
Heworth	1.9	180	1.8	170	1.6	205
Holgate	1.8	160	1.8	155	1.8	160
Huntington & New Earswick	1.5	145	1.5	135	1.2	130
Micklegate	1.4	130	1.3	125	1.5	135
Guildhall	1.3	110	1.2	110	1.5	90
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe	1.3	100	1.2	100	1.4	85
Acomb	1.2	90	1.3	85	1.0	95
Fishergate	1.0	75	0.9	70	0.9	75
Rawcliffe & Clifton Without	0.9	70	0.9	70	0.8	65
Osbaldwick & Derwent	0.9	70	1.0	75	0.8	55
Rural West York	0.8	45	0.7	45	0.7	35
Hull Road	0.8	40	0.8	35	0.7	40
Heworth Without	0.8	35	0.8	35	0.5	30
Fulford & Heslington	0.8	25	0.9	20	0.7	35
Bishopthorpe	0.8	20	0.6	15	0.5	10
Haxby & Wigginton	0.6	15	0.6	10	0.6	5
Wheldrake	0.5	15	0.5	15	0.3	10
Strensall	0.5	15	0.4	20	0.7	15
Copmanthorpe	0.5	10	0.3	5	0.3	5

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Under Universal Credit a broader span of claimants are required to look for work than under Jobseeker's 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.

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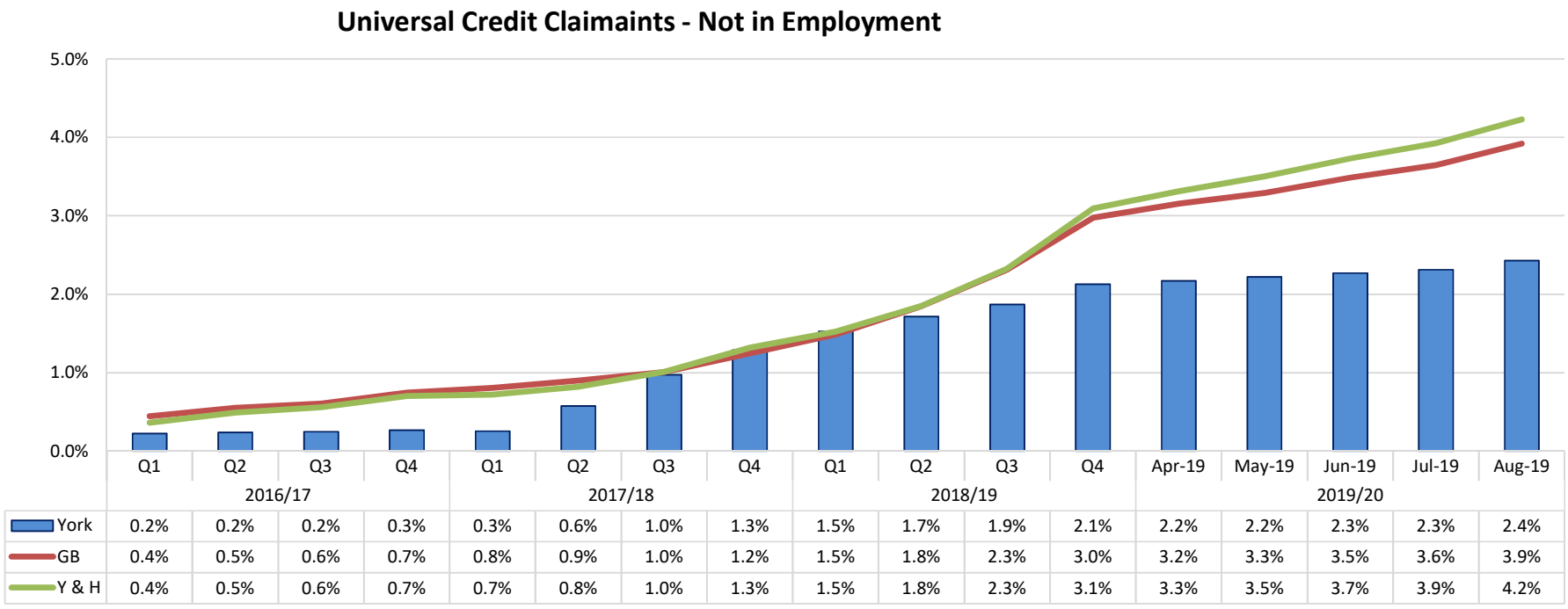
Universal Credit Claimants

The JSA figures should be viewed in the context of the number of people receiving Universal Credit in York increasing from 5,434 in July to 5,619 in August. Of which, 3,318 in July and 3,342 in August were not in employment.

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.



	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19
	2016/17				2017/18				2018/19				2019/20				
York	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.6%	1.0%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%	1.9%	2.1%	2.2%	2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	2.4%
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%	3.2%	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	3.9%
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%	3.3%	3.5%	3.7%	3.9%	4.2%

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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.