



City of York Council

Job Seekers Allowance and Universal Credit Claimants

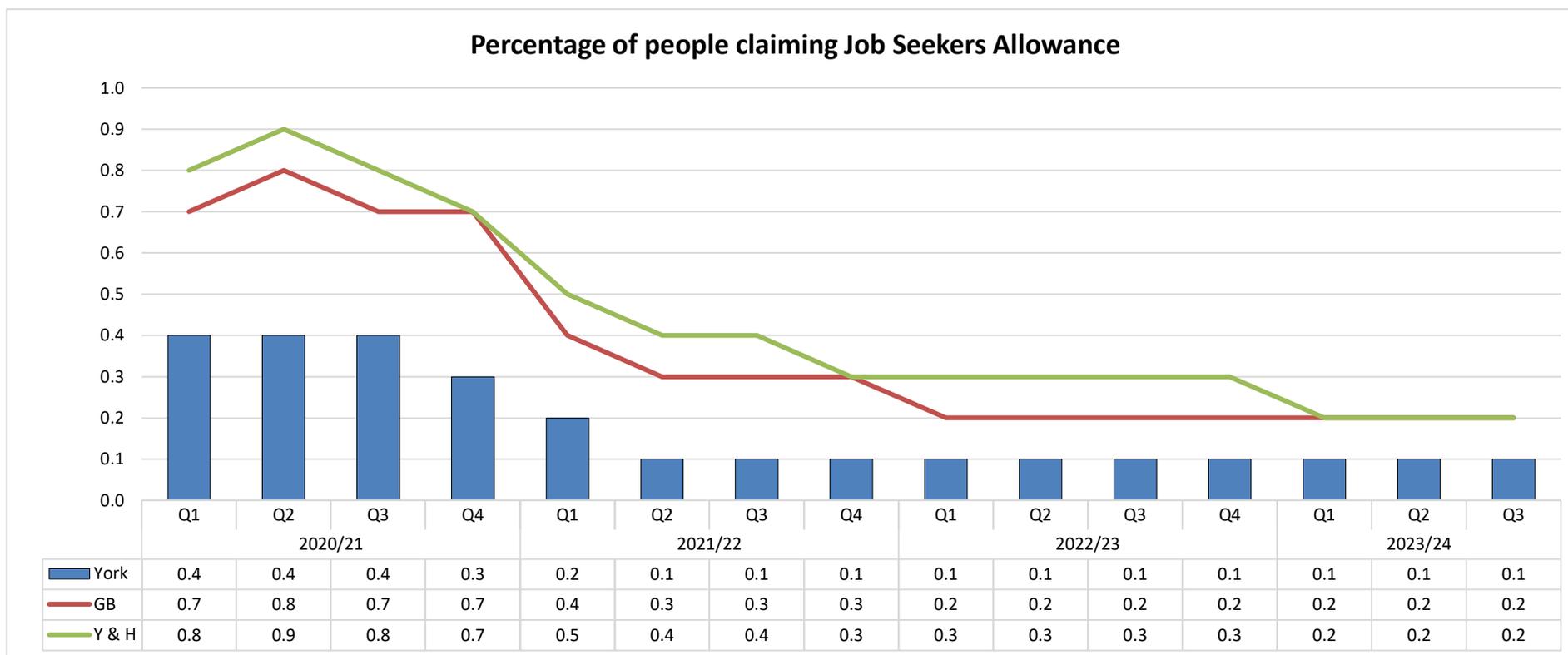
December 2023

Job Seekers Allowance

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York overall picture:

- The JSA claimant count for York in December 2023 is 130.
- In March 2020 the figure was 185, which is a decrease of 29.7%.
- This represents 0.1% of the working age population.
- The region stands at 0.2% and GB at 0.2%.
- The highest JSA claimant count in York in the past 10 years (from December 2013) is from February 2014 with a figure of 2,225 or 1.7% of the working age population.

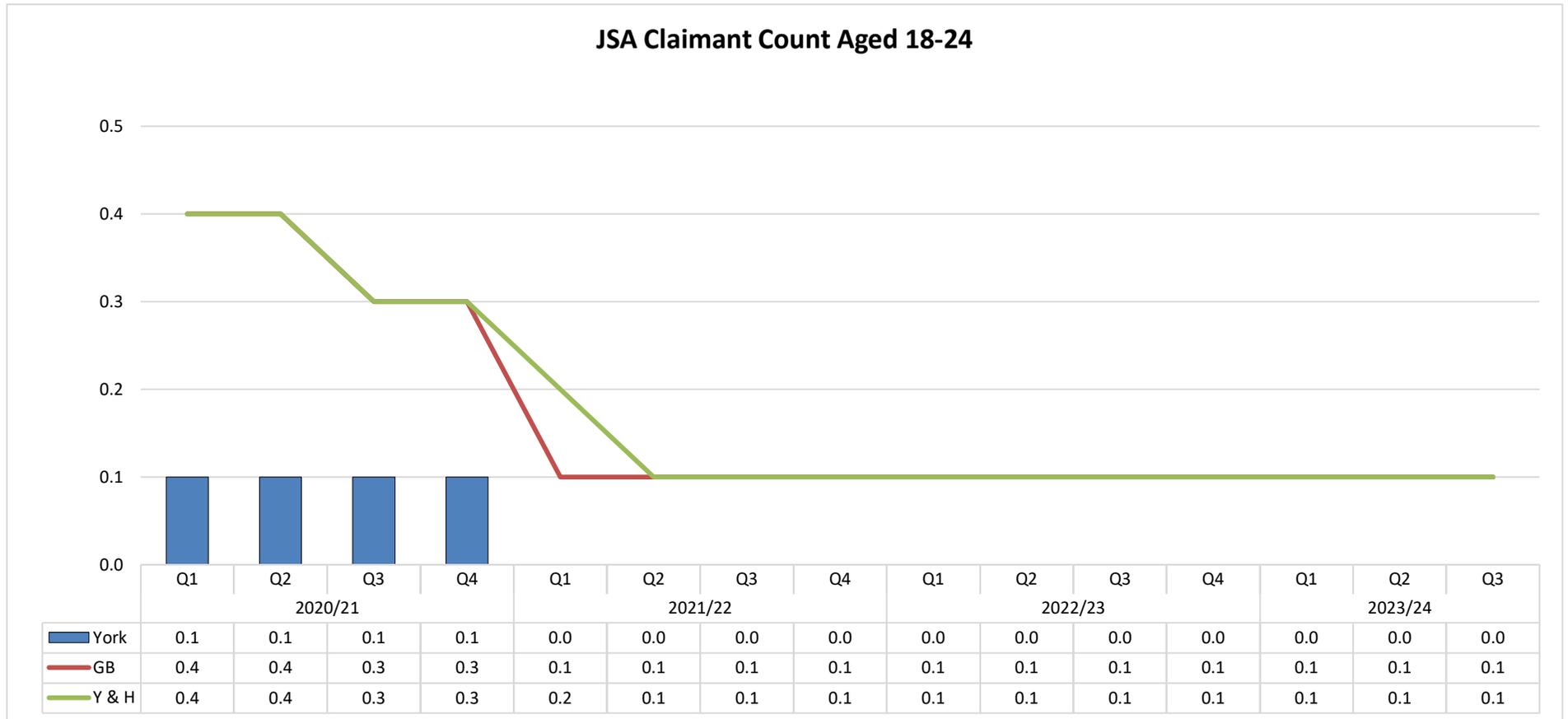


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JSA Claimants 18 - 24 years old

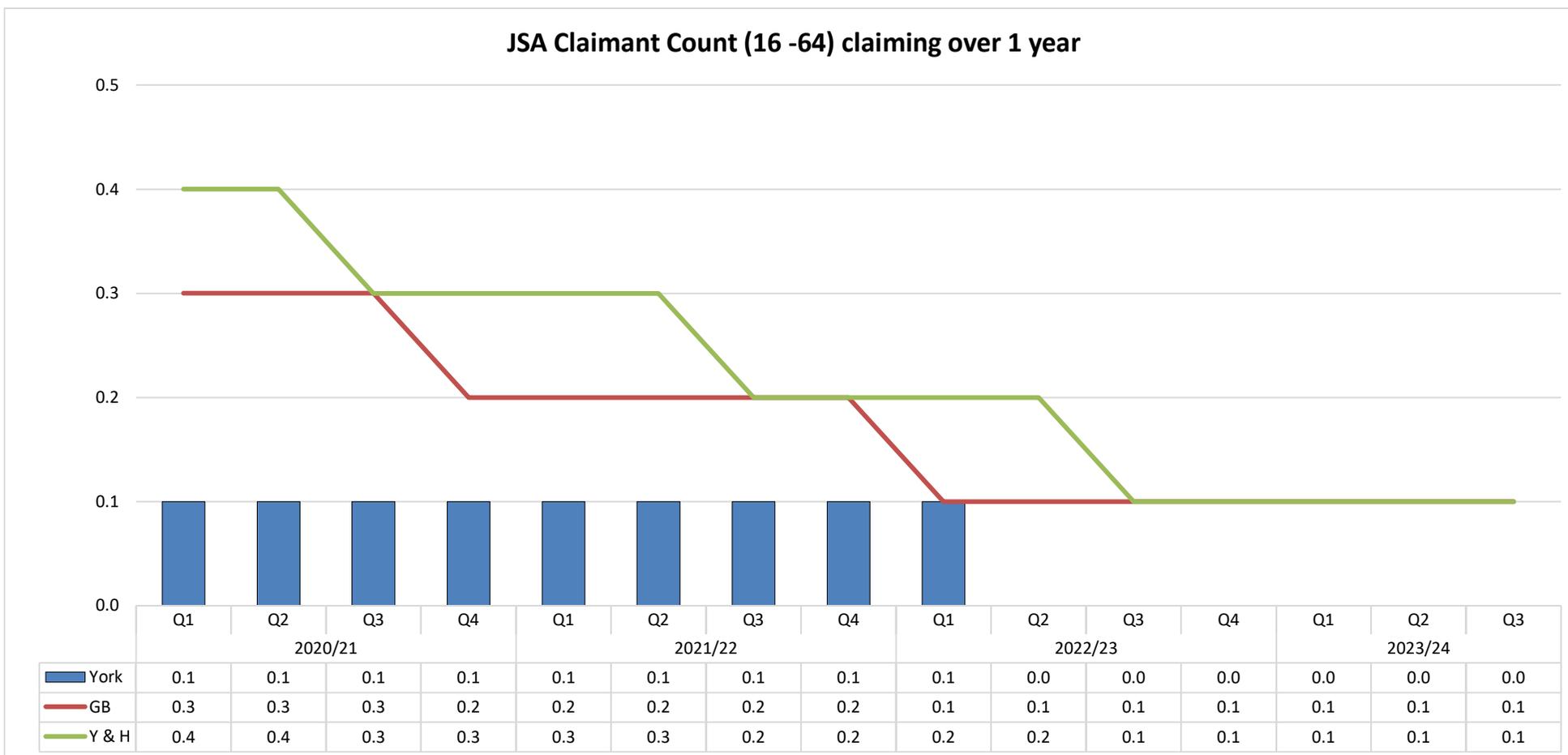
- In December 2023 the total number of claimants (18-24) stood at 5, no change since Mar 2020.
- This represents 0.0% of the working age population.
- The region stands at 0.1% and GB at 0.1%.



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JSA Claimants out of work for over one year

- Claimants out of work for over one year, showed no change from last month, 15 less than one year ago - a 42.9% decrease.
- This represents 0.0% of the working age population who were out of work for over 1 year.
- The region stands at 0.1% and GB at 0.1%.

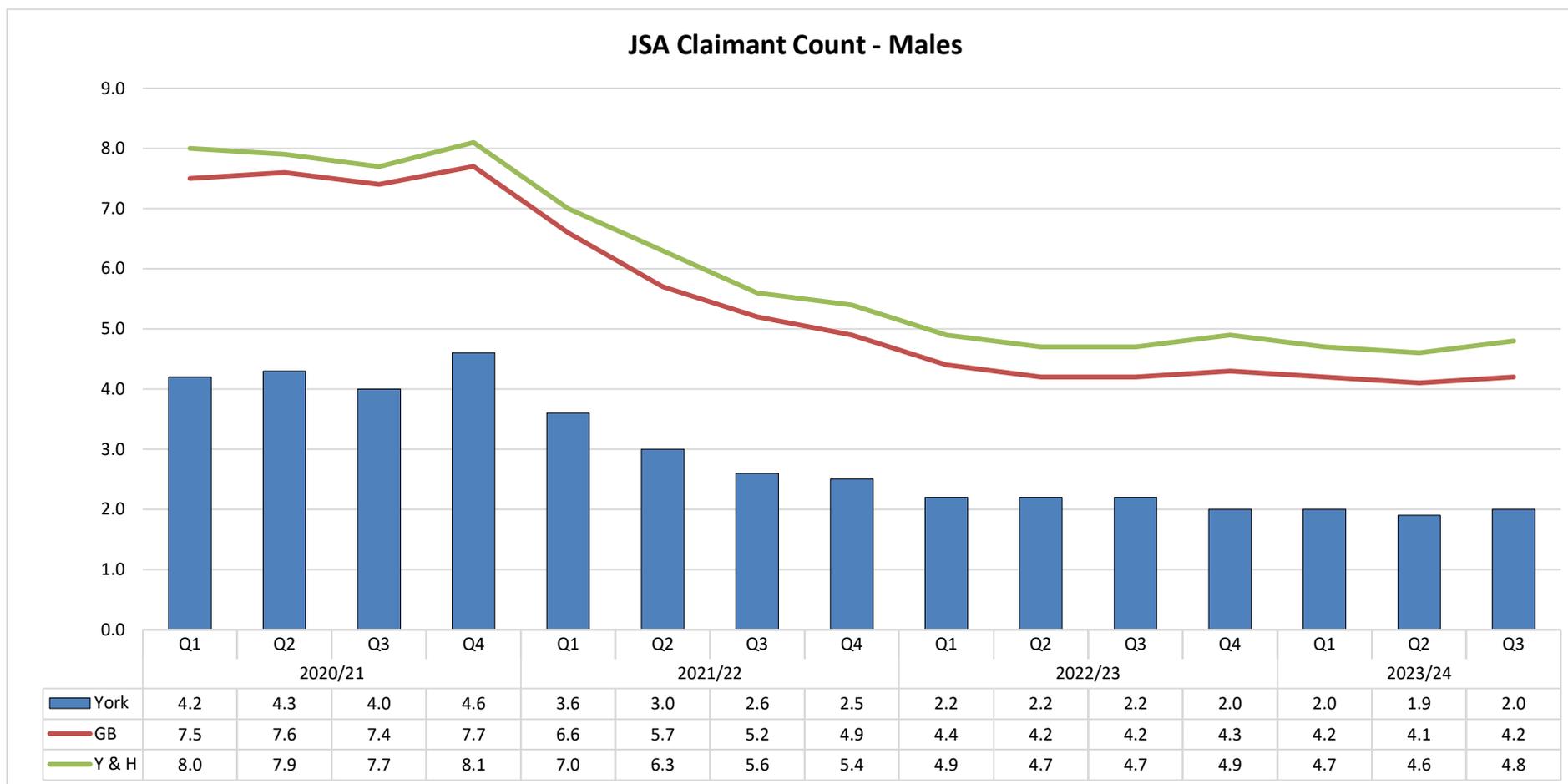


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JSA Male Claimant Count

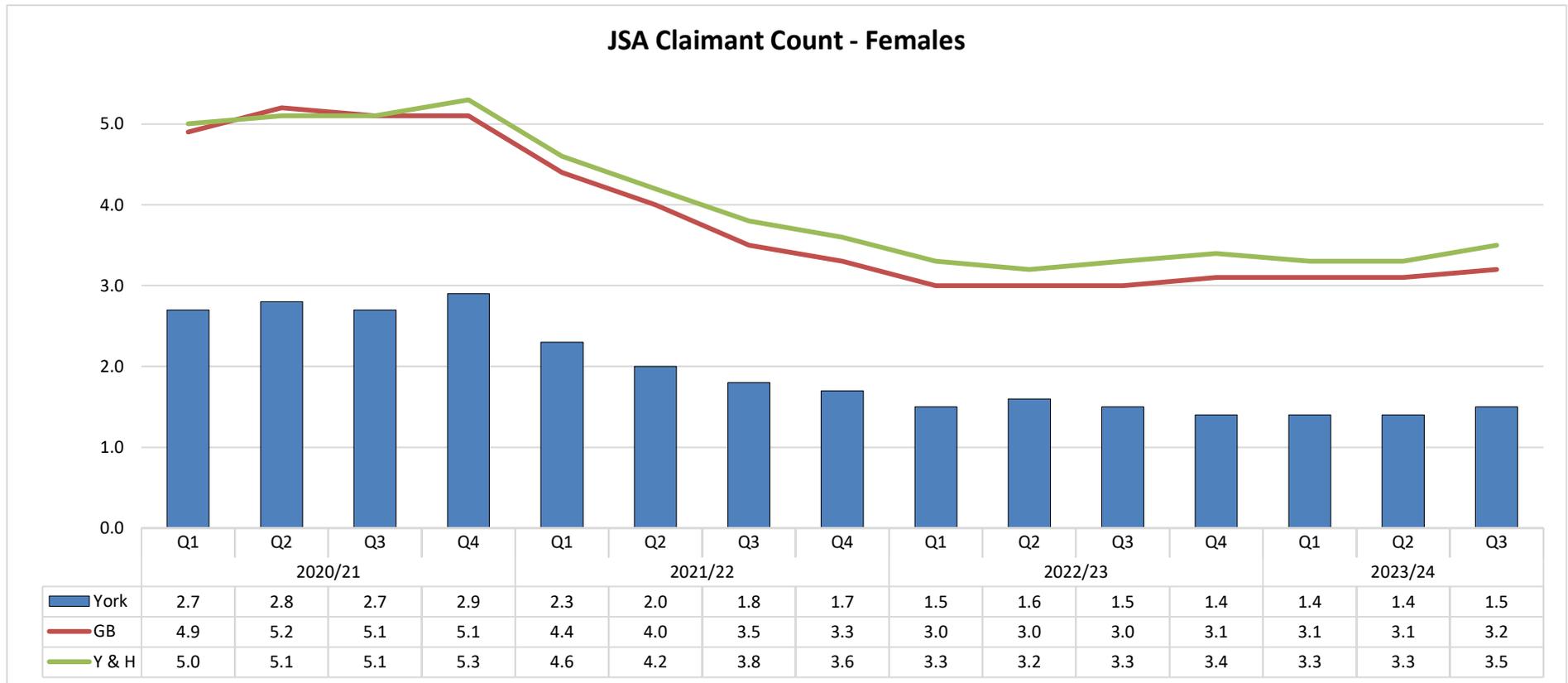
- Male Claimants showed no change, 10 more than one year ago - a 14.3% increase.
- This represents 2.0 % of the male working age population.
- The region stands at 4.8% and GB at 4.2%.



Source: [nomis - official labour market statistics \(ONS\)](https://www.nomis.gov.uk/)

JSA Female Claimants

- Female Claimants have decreased by 15 from last month, totalling 50, no change from one year ago.
- This represents 1.5 % of the female working age population.
- The region stands at 3.5% and GB at 3.2%.



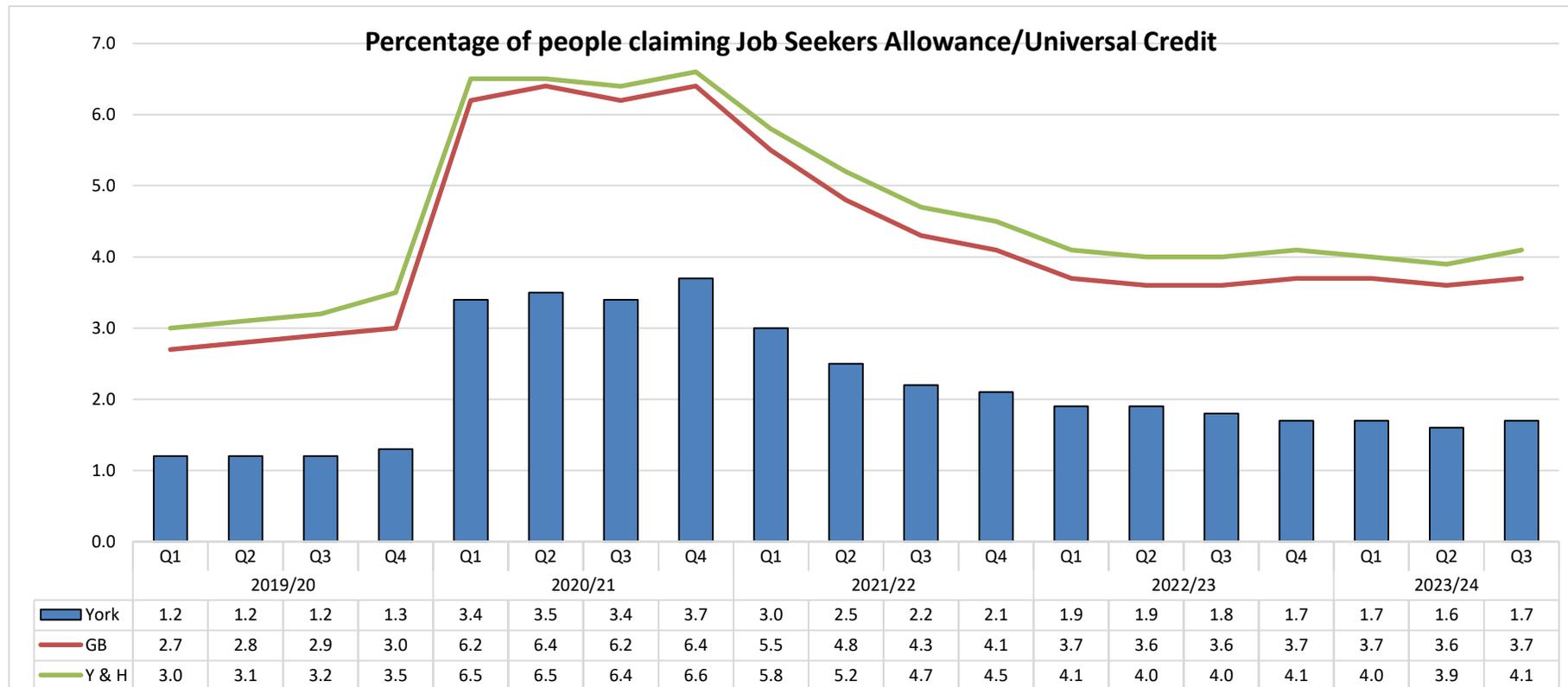
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York Jobseekers Allowance/Universal Credit overall picture:

- The JSA/UC claimant count for York in December 2023 is 2,300.
- In December 2022 the figure was 2,400, this is a decrease of 100 (4.2%) since December 2022 .
- This represents 1.7% of the working age population.
- The region stands at 4.1% and GB at 3.7%.
- The highest JSA/UC claimant count in York in the past 4 years (from December 2019) is from August 2020 with a figure of 5,080 or 3.6% of the working age population.

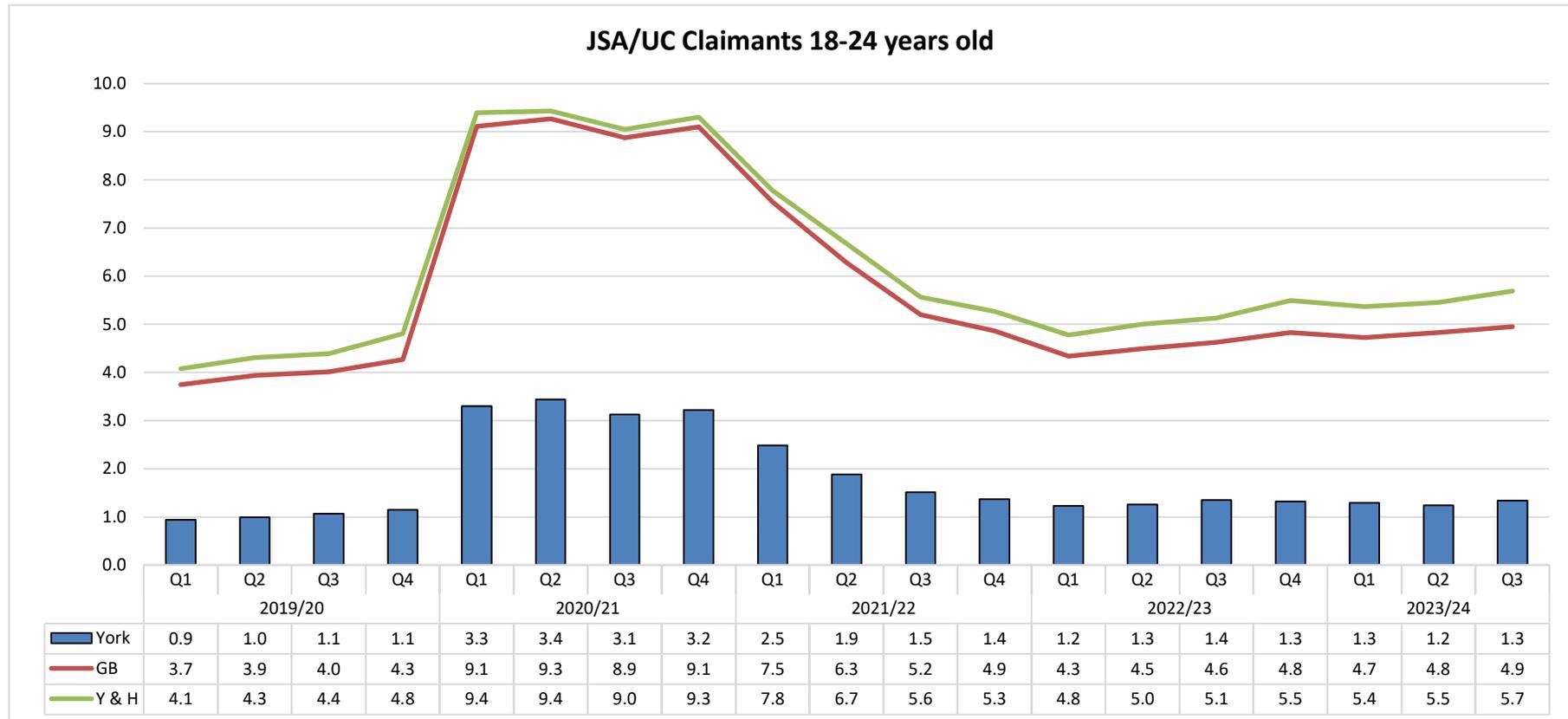


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JSA/UC Claimants 18 - 24 years old

- In December 2023 the total number of claimants (18-24) stood at 425, a reduction of 5 (a 1.2% decrease) from November 2023.
- This represents 1.3% of the working age population.
- The region stands at 5.7% and GB at 4.9%.

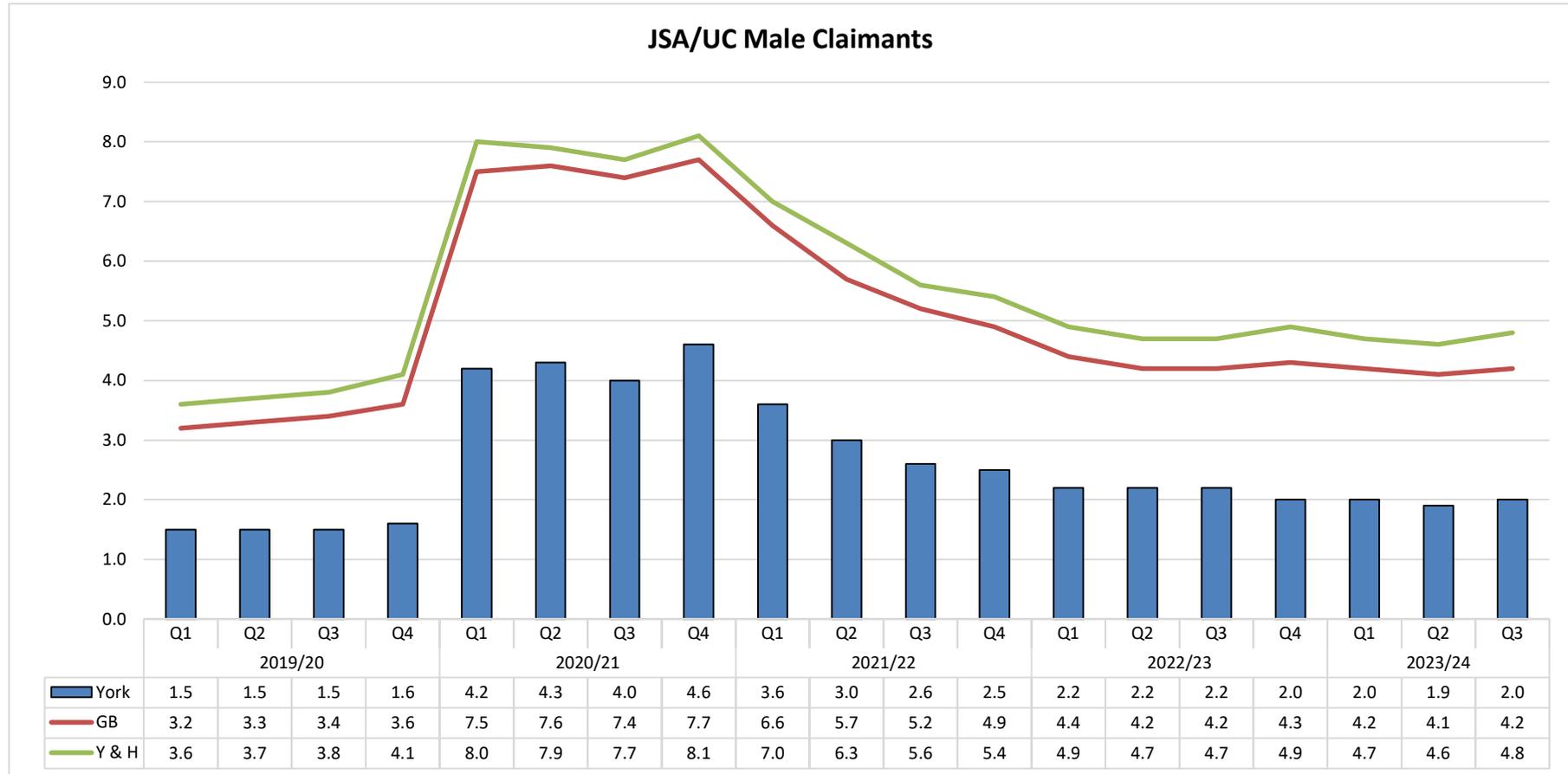


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JSA/UC Male Claimant Count

- Male Claimants have increased by 10 from last month, totalling 1,260, 125 less than one year ago - a 9.0% decrease.
- This represents 2.0 % of the male working age population.
- The region stands at 4.8% and GB at 4.2%.

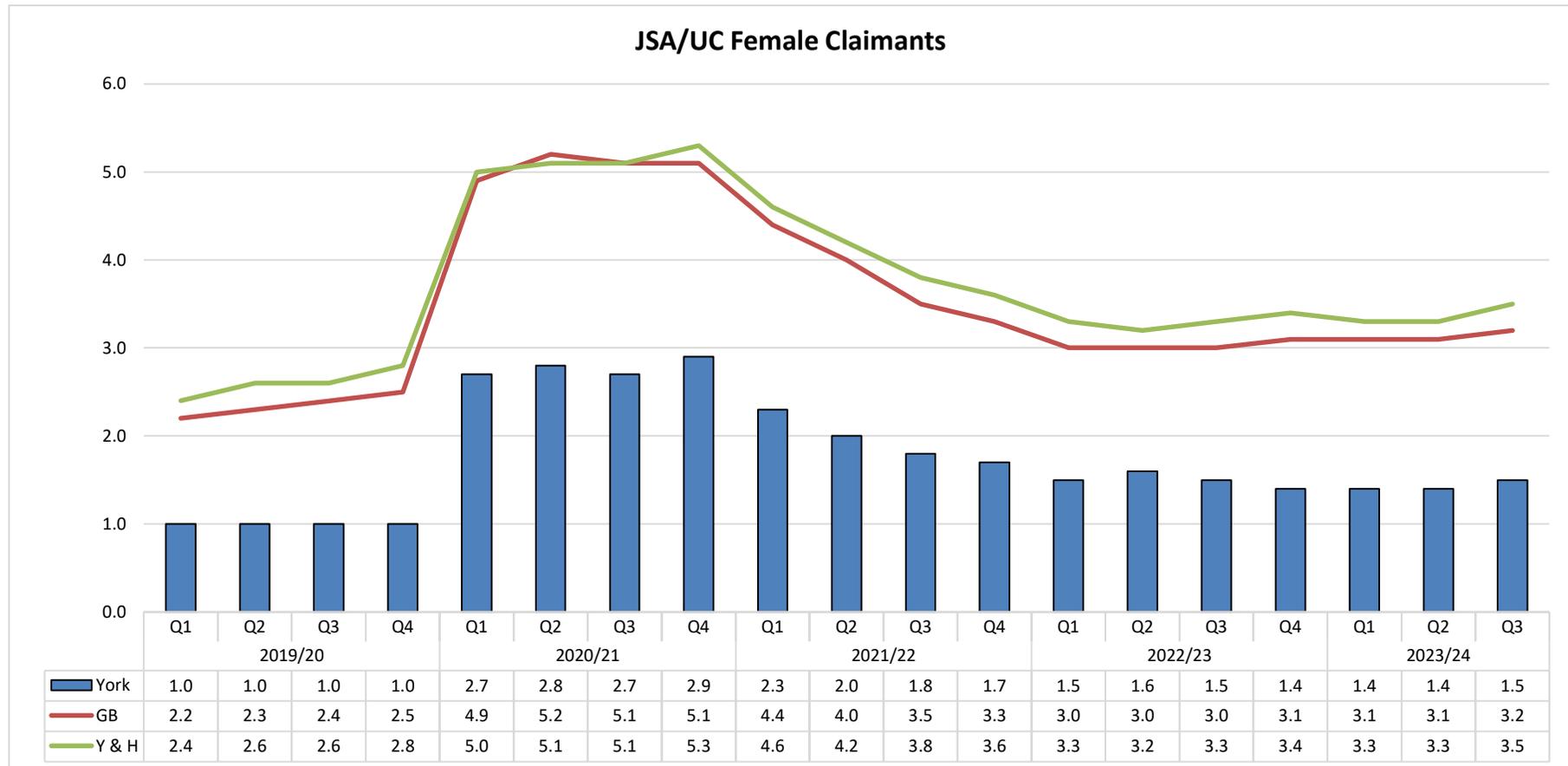


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JSA/UC Female Claimants

- Female Claimants have increased by 25 from last month, totalling 1,045, 30 more than one year ago - a 3.0% increase.
- This represents 1.5 % of the female working age population.
- The region stands at 3.5% and GB at 3.2%.



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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 And Universal Credit Claimants - Ward Analysis (Dec 2023)

Total JSA and U/C Claimants

Ward	December 2023		November 2023		December 2022	
Westfield	3.4	300	3.2	285	3.5	310
Clifton	2.8	200	2.8	195	2.9	205
Heworth	2.4	240	2.3	235	2.2	225
Holgate	2.4	205	2.3	200	2.4	210
Acomb	1.8	100	1.7	95	2.0	110
Micklegate	1.7	160	1.7	160	1.9	180
Huntington & New Earswick	1.6	115	1.6	120	1.5	110
Guildhall	1.5	220	1.6	235	1.8	275
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe	1.3	90	1.4	95	1.5	100
Fulford & Heslington	1.3	30	1.3	30	1.1	25
Rawcliffe & Clifton Without	1.3	100	1.3	105	1.3	100
Heworth Without	1.2	25	0.7	15	1.5	30
Hull Road	1.2	145	1.1	135	1.1	130
Fishergate	1.2	100	1.2	100	1.1	95
Osbalwick & Derwent	1.1	55	1.1	55	1.3	65
Rural West York	1.1	50	1.0	45	1.0	45
Copmanthorpe	1.1	25	1.1	25	1.1	25
Haxby & Wigginton	1.1	65	1.0	60	1.1	65
Strensall	0.9	45	1.0	50	1.0	50
Wheldrake	0.8	20	0.8	20	0.6	15
Bishopthorpe	0.5	10	0.5	10	1.2	25

[Source: nomis - official labour market statistics \(ONS\)](#)

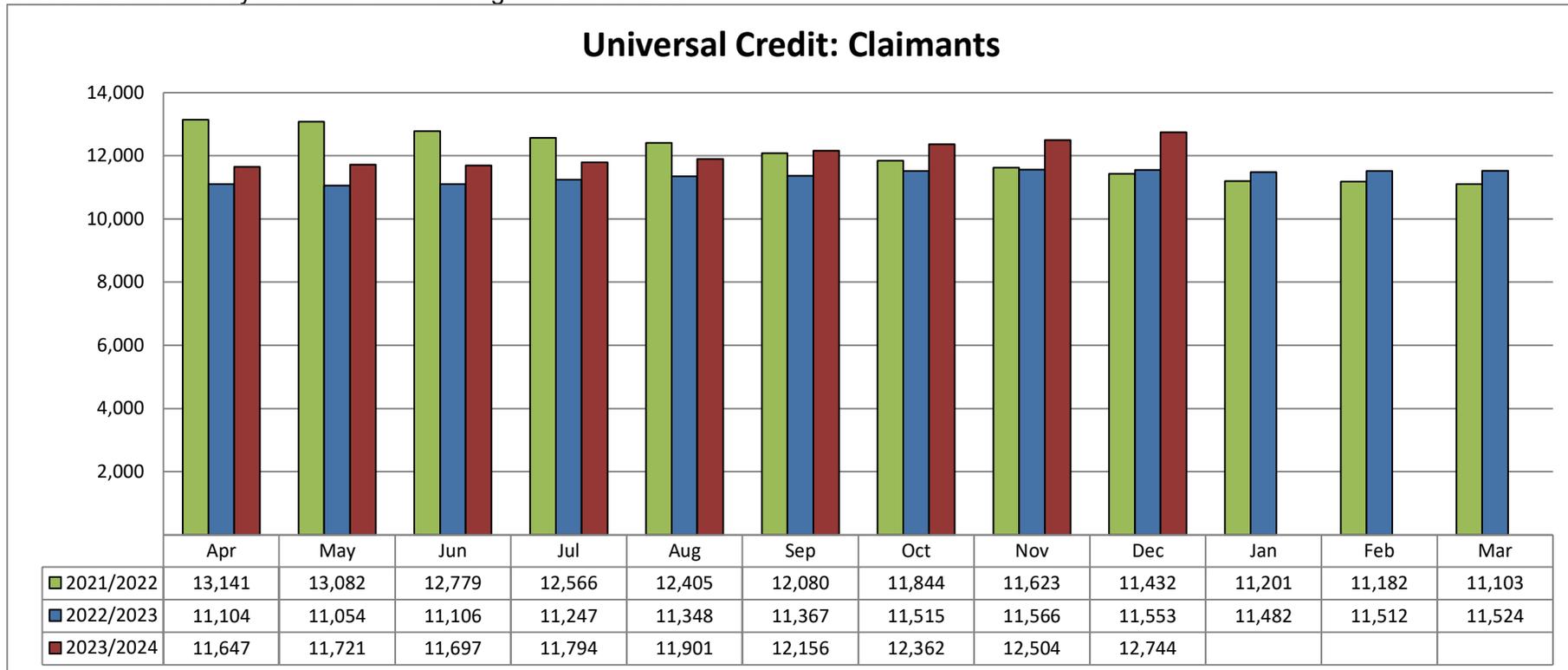
Under Universal Credit a broader span of claimants are required to look for work than under Jobseeker's Allowance. As Universal Credit Full Service is rolled out in particular areas, the number of people recorded as being on the Claimant Count is therefore likely to rise.

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The JSA figures should be viewed in the context of the number of people receiving Universal Credit in York increasing from 12,504 in November 2023 to 12,744 in December 2023. 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.

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.



Source: DWP

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.

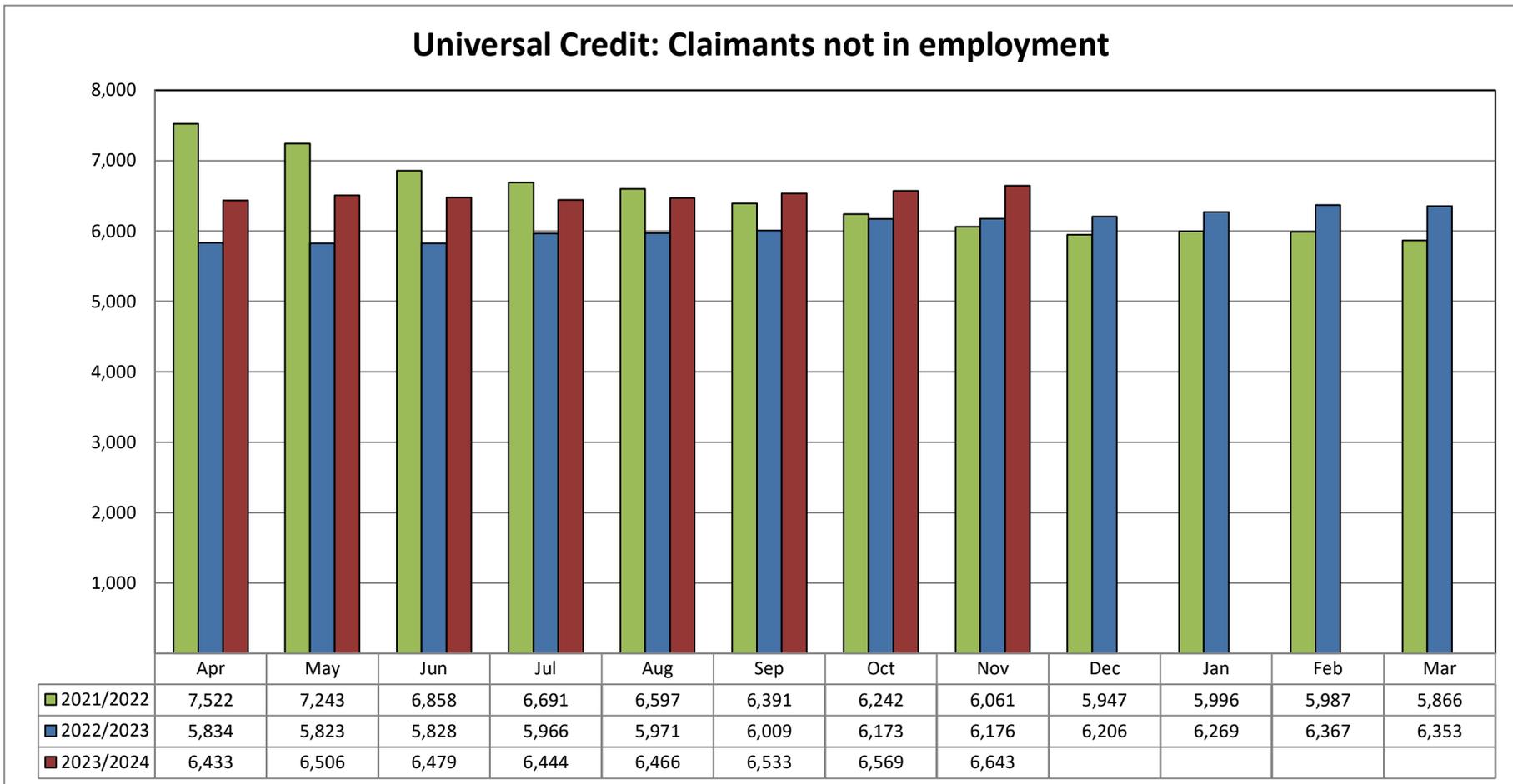
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Universal Credit Claimants: Not in Employment

The number of Universal Claimants claiming out of work benefits in November 2023 was 6,643, which has increased by 7.6% from last year, when the total was 6,176. The not in employment figure for December 2023 will be available in January 2024, as the figure is published a month in arrears.

Nationally, the number of people claiming the not in employment element of Universal Credit has increased by 10.2% from the same period last year.

Regionally, the figure has increased by 11.7% from the same period last year.



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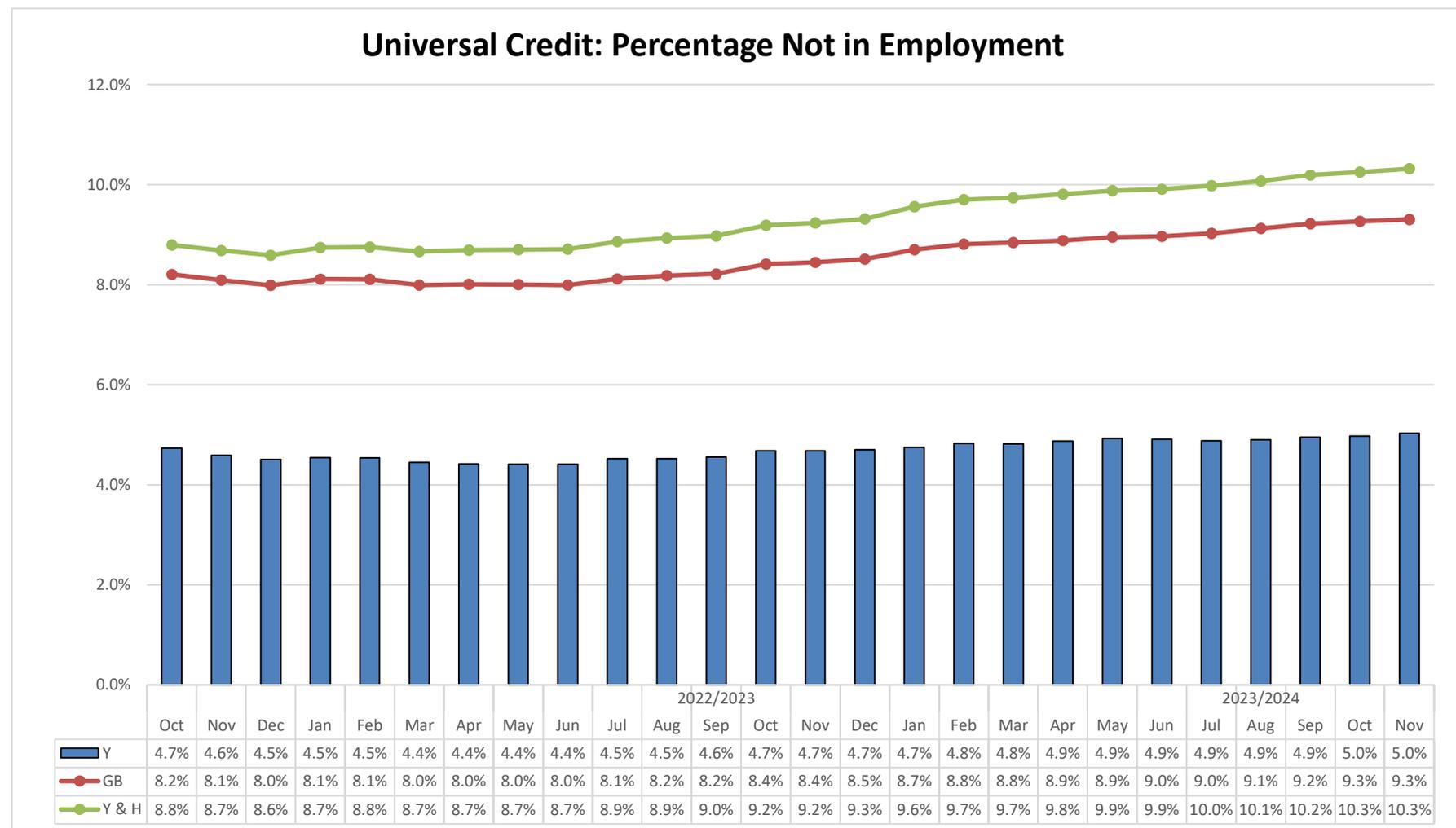
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Universal Credit Claimants: Percentage of Working Age Claimants Not in Employment

The percentage of Universal Claimants claiming out of work benefits in November 2023 was 5%, which has increased by 0.4% from last year, when the total was 4.7%,

Nationally, the number of people claiming the not in employment element of Universal Credit has increased by 0.9% from last year, when the total was 8.4%, .

Regionally, the figure has increased by 1.1% from last year, when the total was 9.2% .



Source: DWP