

Employment Report

October - December 2011

Unemployment data for quarter

	Oct 11	Nov 11	Dec 11
Plymouth	6,813 (3.9%)	6,698 (3.9%)	6,396 (3.7%)
Heart of South West LEP	26,777 (2.6%)	27,185 (2.6%)	27,573 (2.7%)
South West	86,422 (2.6%)	87,976 (2.7%)	89,343 (2.7%)
Great Britain	1,562,501 (3.9%)	1,558,756 (3.9%)	1,568,849 (3.9%)

Source: NOMIS

Unemployment rates in Plymouth fell at the end of the last quarter of 2011 while they continued to grow in both the region and the UK. The Plymouth unemployment rate at the end of the year was 0.2 points below that of the national figure, although it remained 1.0 points higher than both the regional and LEP rate.

Job Losses and Gains for Quarter – October 2011 to December 2011

The quarter has essentially been one of stagnation rather than reduction in overall jobs loss in many sectors. The Tourism and Hospitality sector continues to show growth in the area.

Overall Job Gains reported for quarter: 86 (last quarter 116)

Overall Job Losses reported for quarter: 16 (last quarter 0)

New Business registrations for quarter: not yet known (It is hoped that a source for this data will be established for future reports.) The latest NOMIS data for VAT business registrations shows that in 2007 new business registration in Plymouth was growing at a faster rate than that nationally (11.8% of year end stock of registered businesses, compared to 10.2% for Great Britain and 8.9% for the South West region).

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Job Creations

Engineering/Manufacturing - none reported

Marine Industries - none reported

Medical and Healthcare - non reported

Tourism and Leisure (inc Retail)

Company	Activity	No of jobs	Date	Comment
Studio Lounge	Cafe	10	October	New venture in Durley House
Rhodes West	Restaurant	50	Summer 2012	New Gary Rhodes restaurant to open in Plymouth Dome

Business Services

Company	Activity	No of jobs	Date	Comment
Foot Anstey	Legal Partnership	3	October	Recruitment of three new partners
Martin Luck Group	Office supplies	8	November	Following administration in 2010 the business was acquired by the SET group and is now expanding.

Creative Industries - none reported

Other sectors

Company	Activity	No of jobs	Date	Comment
JDC Builders	Construction - bespoke services to other contractors	4	November	Ivybridge based firm expanding its joinery division
AAD (South West) Ltd	Advanced anaerobic digestion facility (AAD)	22	2012/13	Development of AAD plant at former china clay refinery at Lee Moor.

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Job Losses

Engineering/Manufacturing - none reported

Marine Industries - none reported

Medical and Healthcare - none reported

Tourism and Leisure (inc Retail)

Company	Activity	No of jobs	Date	Comment
Tamar Cruises	Harbour Cruises	4	November	Sale of MV 'Plymouth Sound'
Tomas Cook/Co-operative	Travel Agency	4	March 2012	Closure of 115 branches nationwide, affecting Mutley Plain branch

Business Services - none reported

Creative Industries - none reported

Other sectors

Company	Activity	No of jobs	Date	Comment
Plymouth Flying School	Flying School	8	October	Flying school to re-locate to Newquay. All 8 staff have the option to stay with the school.
Plymouth City Council	Local Authority	(500 - job cuts previously announced in 2011)	By 2013	Jobs to be cut through combination of non-replacement and redundancies. 250 job cuts have been achieved to date.

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Summary this quarter (Oct 11- Dec 2011)

	Job Gains	Job Losses
Engineering/Manufacturing		
Marine Industries		
Medical and Healthcare		
Tourism and Leisure (inc Retail)	60	8
Business Services		
Creative Industries		
Other sectors	26	8
TOTALS	86	16

Summary last 4 quarters (Jan 11 - Dec11)

	Job Gains	Job Losses
Engineering/Manufacturing	107	
Marine Industries		8
Medical and Healthcare		281
Tourism and Leisure (inc Retail)	226	16
Business Services		150
Creative Industries	49	145
Other sectors	26	543
TOTALS	408	1143

For comparison:

2010 totals	1027	1395
2009 totals	1104	2309