

Responding to Welfare Reform - South Lakeland summary

This summary provides data and headline analysis about the potential impact of welfare reform in South Lakeland

- 5,708 (12.1%) households in South Lakeland have an annual income of less than £10,000;
- 4,180 people of working age (16-64 years) in South Lakeland are claiming some type of benefit; 1 in 4 claimants are aged 45-54 years
- 405 people are claiming unemployment related Universal Credit
- 329 residents are claiming Universal Credit
- Almost 1 in 5 of residents in South Lakeland have a long-term health problem or disability, below the county average but above the national average
- During the period October 2010 to March 2015, 1,550 claimants of employment & support allowance/incapacity benefit were re-assessed, of those 14% were deemed 'fit for work' (below national levels)
- 4,900 families are currently claiming child or working tax credits in South Lakeland (numbers are falling likely reflecting a change in criteria)
- Levels of child poverty are low in South Lakeland at 7.2% compared to 18.0% in England; a total of 1,265 children (aged 0-19 years) are living in poverty
- 4,104 people are claiming housing benefit (numbers are falling, likely reflecting changes to criteria); while 378 claimants have received a reduction against the spare room subsidy

Demography			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Males	50,400	245,300	26,773,200
Females	52,800	252,600	27,543,400
Total	103,300	497,900	54,316,600
0-15	15,400	81,700	10,303,600
16-64	60,100	303,000	34,475,400
65+	27,700	113,200	9,537,700
% Males	48.8%	49.3%	49.3%
% Females	51.1%	50.7%	50.7%
% 0-15	14.9%	16.4%	19.0%
% 16-64	58.2%	60.9%	63.5%
% 65+	26.8%	22.7%	17.6%
Source: Mid-Year Population Estimates, 2014, Office for National Statistics (ONS)			
Incapacity Benefits/Employment Support Allowance Reassessments - Outcomes of Work Capability Assessments			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Total caseload	1,550	12,700	1,192,410
Fit for work (number)	210	1,970	216,020
Fit for work (%)	14%	16%	19%
Source: DWP, October 2010 to March 2015			

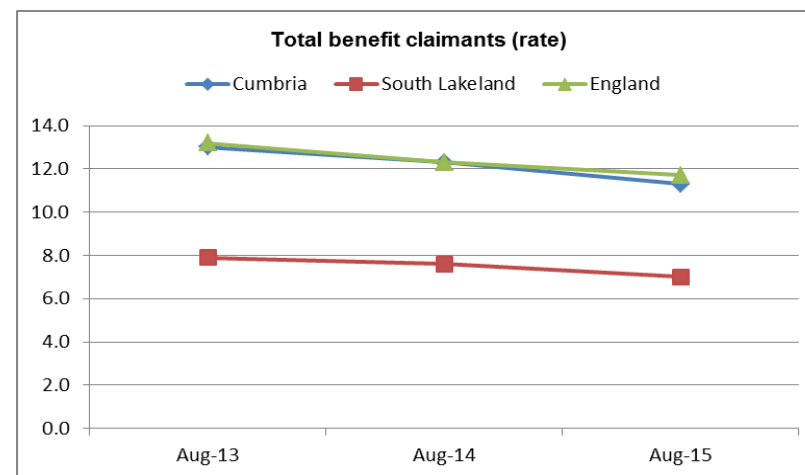
Universal Credit claimants caseloads (16-64 years)			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Total number of claimants	329	3,533	165,436
Number of claimants 'not in employment'	203	2,250	111,717
Number of claimants 'in employment'	129	1,283	53,717
Source: DWP, January 2016			
Unemployment claimant count – Universal Credit or Job Seekers Allowance 'not in employment' (16-64years)			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Number of claimants	405	4,875	622,550
Claimant rate (% of working age population)	0.7	1.6	1.8
Youth number of claimants (aged 18-24 years)	80	1,220	167,465
Youth claimant rate (% of population aged 18-24 years)	1.9	4.6	3.9
Source: Office for National Statistics, February 2016			
Job Seekers Allowance claimants			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Number of claimants (working age population 16-64years)	232	2,911	516,520
Claimant rate (% of working age population)	0.4	1.0	1.5
Youth number of claimants (aged 18-24 years)	25	405	87,000
Youth claimant rate (% of population aged 18-24 years)	0.4	1.1	1.8
Source: Office for National Statistics, January 2016			
Household Income			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Mean Household Income	£34,014	£31,792	£36,447
Median Household Income	£27,495	£25,332	£28,696
Number of households with an annual median income of less than £10k	5,708	30,810	-
% of households with an annual median income of less than £10k	12.1	13.8	12.2
Source: Paycheck Data, CACI, 2015			
House Price			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Mean House Price	£243,961	£167,071	£250,473
Median House Price	£201,828	£139,877	£175,143
Source: Streetvalue Data, CACI, 2015			
Benefit Claimants (working age client group (16-64years))			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Total Number	4,180	34,180	4,020,370
Total Rate	7.0	11.3	11.7
Out of work benefits Number	2,960	25,500	3,064,290
Out of work benefits Rate	4.9	8.4	8.9
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, August 2015			

Benefit claimants - Disability Living Allowance			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
All entitled cases, all ages	3,410	25,020	2,515,290
16-64 years (working age)	1,650	12,830	1,388,890
65+ years (pension age)	1,310	9,770	777,430
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, August 2015			
Benefit claimants – Personal Independence Payment			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
PIP claims in Payment (by month)	739	6,027	490,852
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, October 2015			
Benefit claimants – Employment Support Allowance & Incapacity Benefit			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Total claimants Number	2,470	19,480	2,070,760
Total claimants Rate	4.1	6.4	6.0
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, August 2015			
Families receiving Child or Working Tax Credit			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Families receiving Child or Working Tax Credit	4,900	29,900	3,604,300
Families receiving Child Tax Credit element only	1,300	6,500	662,600
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, December 2015			
Children, aged 0-15 years, in out-of-work benefit households			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Number of children	980	11,160	1,838,970
Number of households	650	7,120	993,620
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, May 2014			
Child Poverty (Children in low income families local measure)			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
% children in poverty – All Children (0-19 years)	7.2%	13.8%	18.0%
Number of children in poverty – All Children (0-19 years)	1,265	13,200	2,097,005
Source: HMRC, August 2013			
Housing Benefit			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
All Housing Benefit claimants	4,104	29,711	-
Number of claimants receiving a reduction in HB against the 'spare room subsidy' indicator	378	4,296	-
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, November 2015			
Benefit cap (capped households to date)			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
Number of households	-	*29	19,681
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, November 2015 (*statistical disclosure applied-may not sum)			

Benefit sanctions – JSA (by month)			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
JSA sanctions – decisions to apply a sanction	15	220	-
Number of individuals	12	199	-
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, December 2014			
Benefit sanctions – ESA (by month)			
	South Lakeland	Cumbria	National
ESA related sanction decisions	0	68	-
Number of individuals	0	24	-
Source: Department for Work & Pensions, December 2014			

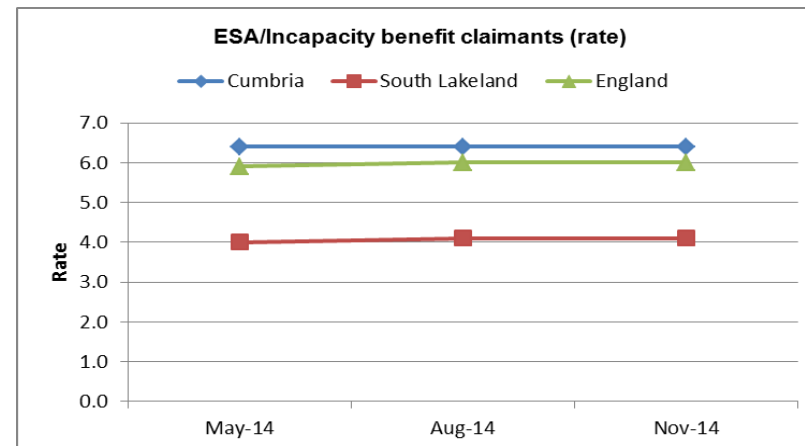
Total benefit claimants (rate per working age population 16-64 years)

	Aug-13	Aug-14	Aug-15
Cumbria	13.0	12.3	11.3
Allerdale	14.0	13.3	12.2
Barrow	19.3	18.2	16.5
Carlisle	13.5	12.8	11.7
Copeland	15.7	14.8	13.5
Eden	7.9	7.5	6.9
South Lakeland	7.9	7.6	7.0
England	13.2	12.3	11.7



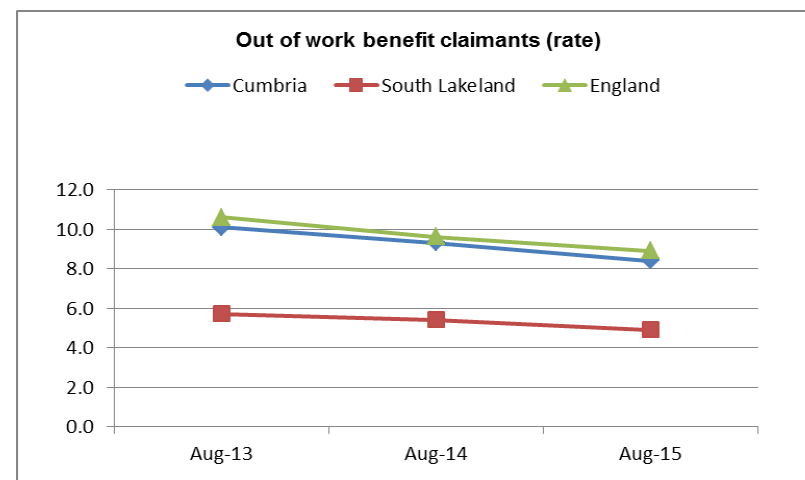
ESA/Incapacity benefit claimants (rate per working age population 16-64 years)

	Aug-13	Aug-14	Aug-15
Cumbria	6.5	6.4	6.4
Allerdale	6.8	6.7	6.7
Barrow	9.6	9.1	9.0
Carlisle	6.8	6.9	7.1
Copeland	8.0	7.7	7.5
Eden	4.1	4.0	4.0
South Lakeland	4.1	4.1	4.1
England	5.8	6.0	6.0



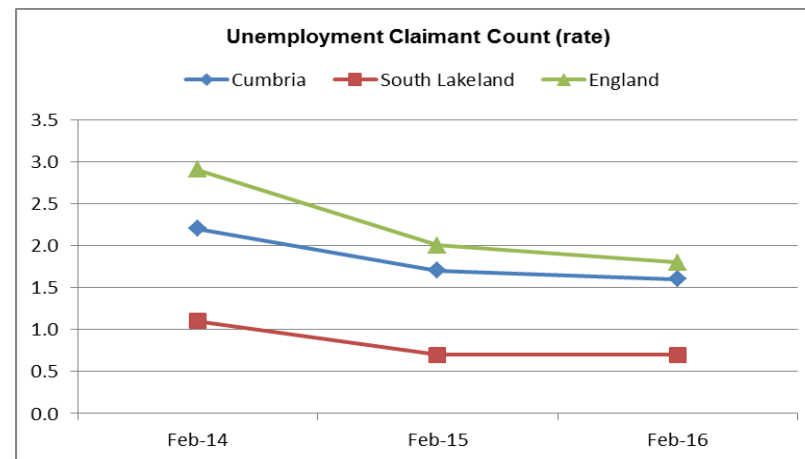
Out of work benefit claimants (rate per working age population 16-64 years)

	Aug-13	Aug-14	Aug-15
Cumbria	10.1	9.3	8.4
Allerdale	10.9	10.0	9.0
Barrow	15.1	13.9	12.5
Carlisle	10.7	9.9	9.0
Copeland	12.2	11.3	10.1
Eden	5.8	5.3	4.9
South Lakeland	5.7	5.4	4.9
England	10.6	9.6	8.9



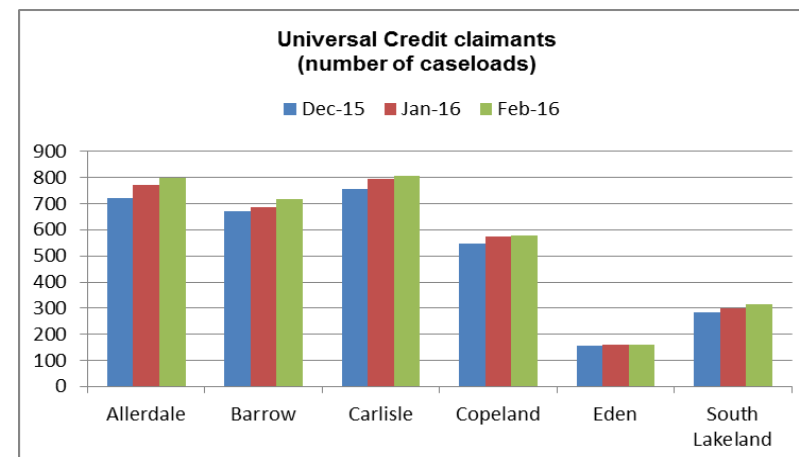
Unemployment claimant count (rate per working age population 16-64 years)

	Feb-14	Feb-15	Feb-16
Cumbria	2.2	1.7	1.6
Allerdale	2.7	2.1	1.9
Barrow	3.6	3.1	2.9
Carlisle	2.3	1.5	1.4
Copeland	2.7	2.2	2.1
Eden	1.1	0.6	0.8
South Lakeland	1.1	0.7	0.7
England	2.9	2.0	1.8



Universal Credit claimants (number)

	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16
Cumbria	3,139	3,292	3,384
Allerdale	720	771	799
Barrow	671	688	717
Carlisle	757	797	806
Copeland	548	576	578
Eden	155	159	161
South Lakeland	285	299	316
England	-	-	-



Child and Working Tax Credits (number)

	Dec-13	Dec-14	Dec-15
Cumbria	33,900	32,400	29,900
Allerdale	6,900	6,800	6,100
Barrow	5,500	5,200	4,900
Carlisle	8,300	7,900	7,300
Copeland	4,600	4,200	3,800
Eden	3,100	3,100	2,800
South Lakeland	5,600	5,300	4,900
England	3,849,100	3,738,000	3,604,300

