



National News

The UK's economy bounced back from recession with record growth of 15.5% in July to September, according to the ONS: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-54914410>

The UK's unemployment rate rose to 4.8% in the three months to September, up from 4.5%, as coronavirus continued to hit the jobs market. Redundancies rose to a record high of 314,000 in the same period, the ONS said: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-54884592>

A government jobs scheme for young people has helped to create more than 19,000 work placements so far, the Treasury has said: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-54903051>

Graduate recruitment suffers biggest UK fall since 2008 crisis:
<https://www.theguardian.com/money/2020/nov/11/graduate-recruitment-suffers-biggest-uk-fall-since-2008-crisis>

WH Smith has announced plans to close another 25 shops after slumping to a £280m loss:
<https://uk.finance.yahoo.com/news/coronavirus-covid-19-wh-smith-2020-results-sales-loss-store-closures-081548320.html>

Really insightful report about careers in security from Security Research Initiative:
<https://perpetuityresearch.com/3465/understanding-influences-on-security-as-a-career-job-choice-what-those-working-in-the-security-sector-think/>

A study by the London School of Economics & Political Science and Exeter University found more than one in 10 people aged 16-25 lost their job, and just under six in 10 saw their earnings fall since the pandemic began: <https://www.wsws.org/en/articles/2020/11/11/jobs-n11.html>

A group led by Rolls-Royce has pledged to create 6,000 regional UK jobs within the next five years under plans to build 16 mini nuclear power stations: <https://news.sky.com/story/rolls-royce-to-create-6-000-uk-jobs-to-build-16-mini-nuclear-power-stations-12129634>

Tech companies and start-ups recruiting now: <https://workinstartups.com/stillhiring>

The number of seasonal jobs on offer is down by a third because of coronavirus, new research suggests - but there are plenty of companies still looking for Christmas workers:
<https://www.gloucestershirelive.co.uk/news/uk-world-news/find-christmas-job-coronavirus-crisis-4686767>

Berks

Jobs you can apply for now as delivery website AO expands operations across Berkshire:
<https://www.getreading.co.uk/news/business/jobs-you-can-apply-now-19218321>

Aldi supermarkets in Reading and Newbury are looking for assistant store managers:
<https://www.getreading.co.uk/news/business/aldi-recruiting-reading-you-could-19232469>

Bucks

No LMI this week

Cornwall & the Isle of Scilly

SW employment rate remains high despite increase in claimant count. In Cornwall the number claiming UC increased from 48,382 to 48,591: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/economic-development/sw-employment-rate-remains-high-19255756>

The Top 150 businesses in Devon and Cornwall: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/enterprise/revealed-top-150-businesses-devon-18971247>

Proud to Care Cornwall are recruiting now: <https://www.proudtocarecornwall.org.uk/>

Dorset

Dorset residents may soon be invited to apply for roles at local jobcentres as part of a Government recruitment drive: <https://www.dorsetecho.co.uk/news/18862832.new-job-centre-work-coach-roles-now-open-applications-dorset/>

Gloucestershire

Unemployment across the UK rose to 4.8 per cent in the three months to September - but Gloucestershire saw a slight fall in the rate in October: <https://www.punchline-gloucester.com/articles/aanews/silver-lining-for-gloucestershire-in-unemployment-figures>

Approved distribution centre will bring more than 200 jobs to Gloucester: <https://www.punchline-gloucester.com/articles/aanews/approved-distribution-centre-will-bring-more-than-200-jobs-to-gloucester>

New jobs are coming to Cheltenham with the opening of a new show store, Carl Scarp: <https://www.gloucestershirelive.co.uk/whats-on/shopping/new-shoe-shop-coming-cheltenham-4685649>

Heart of the South West

Lidl plans to create 40 jobs at fifth store in Torbay: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/retail-consumer/lidl-plans-create-40-jobs-19258837>

The employment rate in the South West is at a “near record high” of 76.5% even though the number of people claiming benefits continues to rise, new figures reveal: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/economic-development/sw-employment-rate-remains-high-19255756>

Developers are planning to build nearly 200 retirement apartments with a restaurant and bar on a plot of derelict land in Plymouth, which will create 65 jobs: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/economic-development/plans-retirement-village-former-railway-19248231>

The Top 150 businesses in Devon and Cornwall: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/enterprise/revealed-top-150-businesses-devon-18971247>

Oxfordshire

With the start of Living Wage Week, the new Oxford Living Wage rate will be £10.31 an hour, which will apply from April 2021:

https://www.oxford.gov.uk/news/article/1611/council_announces_new_oxford_living_wage_and_updated_procurement_strategy_for_living_wage_week

Activate Learning is looking to work with employers across Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Surrey to help get young people back into work: <https://www.heraldservices.co.uk/news/18856727.scheme-get-young-people-jobs-oxfordshire-unemployment-rises/>

Swindon/Wiltshire

Honda site could bring 14,000 jobs to Swindon, say council officers:

<https://www.swindonadvertiser.co.uk/news/18862098.honda-site-bring-14-000-jobs-swindon-say-council-officers/>

West of England

Royal Mail jobs being advertised in Bristol: <https://www.bristolpost.co.uk/news/bristol-news/royal-mail-jobs-being-advertised-4682835>

Jet2 is planning to open Bristol Airport hub, creating 200 jobs: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/economic-development/jet2-planning-open-bristol-airport-19260785>

Metro Bank is creating 50 jobs in Bristol with opening of new customer contact centre: <https://www.business-live.co.uk/professional-services/banking-finance/metrobank-creating-50-jobs-bristol-19248946>