

'Impact of the Economic Downturn on Southampton' Monthly Indicators

SP Delivery Board 10th December 2009

Activity	Indicator	October 2007 Baseline	September 2009 Delivery Board	October 2009 Delivery Board	November 2009 Delivery Board	December 2009 Delivery Board	
Business	1. Commercial Property Vacancies in Southampton (units) <i>Southampton City Council</i>	Factories/Warehouses: 41 Offices: 84 Shops : 43	Factories/Warehouses: 87 Offices: 175 Shops: 133	Factories/Warehouses: 79 Offices: 174 Shops: 139	Factories/Warehouses: 85 Offices: 185 Shops: 137	Factories/Warehouses: 90 Offices: 189 Shops: 113	↓
	2. Business Link 'Hot Topics' raised by customers <i>Business Link</i>	Top 5 'Hot Topics': Legal Status of a business How to write a business plan How to compile a cash flow statement Website development Running a business from home	Top 5 'Hot Topics': <i>(Data not available. To be presented to October DB meeting)</i>	Top 5 'Hot Topics': Late Payments – chasing and ways to improve credit control. Funding - possible start up funding in Hampshire. Finance - Raising capital to start up / expand / re-finance existing facilities and appetite of banks to lend. Cash Flow - guidance and tips on managing cash. Start Up's - requests for business plans to be reviewed.	Top 5 'Hot Topics': Working Hours – reductions Cash Flow - late payments and potential bad debts Job Centreplus - Self-Employed Credit scheme at JCP Funding - start up funding available in Hampshire Bank's - lack of support available	Top 5 'Hot Topics':	—
Employment	3. Numbers claiming Jobseekers Allowance (JSA) <i>Job Centre Plus</i>	3,320	7,585 <i>(As at 3rd July 09 – released 12th Aug 09)</i>	7,850 <i>(As at 16th September 09 – released 29th Sept 09)</i>	7,590 <i>(As at 14th October 09 – released 15th Oct 09)</i>	7,590 <i>(As at 11th Nov 09 – released 26th Nov 09)</i>	—
	4. JSA on flows (i.e. new claims) by sub-set, i.e. previous employment sector of claimant <i>Job Centre Plus</i>	810 Top 5 sectors: Plant & Storage: 180 Sales: 125 Admin & Service: 85 Admin: 80 Construction/bldg: 55	1,550 Top 5 sectors: Sales: 395 Plant & Storage: 230 Administrative: 150 Admin & Service: 125 Construction/bldg: 95	1,905 Top 5 sectors: Sales: 420 Plant and Storage: 290 Elementary Administration and Service: 180 Administrative: 150 Construction/bldg: 115 Transport: 115	1,490 Top 5 sectors: Sales: 375 Plant and Storage: 200 Administrative Occupations: 120 Administration and Service Occupations: 110 Skilled Metal and Electronic Trades: 90	1,090 Top 5 sectors: Plant and Storage: 260 Sales Occupations: 130 Administrative: 95 Skilled Metal and Electronic: 75 Skilled Construction and Building: 75	↓

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Employment	5. JSA off flows (i.e. those leaving the register) by sub-set, i.e. the employment sector the claimant is moving into <i>Job Centre Plus</i>	820 Top 5 sectors: Plant & Storage: 180 Sales: 130 Administrative: 90 Admin & Service: 90 Construction/building: 45	1,505 Top 5 sectors: Plant & Storage: 300 Sales: 235 Administrative: 150 Admin & Service: 125 Construction/bldg: 110	1,650 Top 5 sectors: Sales: 305 Plant and Storage: 275 Administrative: 160 Elementary Administration & Service: 155 Construction/bldg: 130	1,740 Top 5 sectors: Sales: 340 Plant and Storage: 275 Administrative Occupations: 170 Administration & Service Occupations: 125 Skilled Metal & Electronic Trades: 120 Skilled Construction & Building Trades: 120	1000 Top 5 sectors: Plant and Storage: 215 Sales Occupations: 130 Administrative: 125 Administration and Service: 95 Skilled Construction and Building: 60	↓
	6. Vacancies notified <i>Job Centre Plus</i>	2,906	1,599 <i>(Released 12th Aug 09)</i>	2,130 <i>(Released 29th Sept 09)</i>	1,859 <i>(Released 15th Oct 09)</i>	2,426 <i>(Released 26th Nov 09)</i>	↑
Crime	7. Monthly no. of domestic burglaries <i>Hants Constabulary</i>	91	96 <i>(As at 3^{1st} Aug 09)</i>	105 <i>(As at 5th Oct 09)</i>	92 <i>(As at 2nd Nov 09)</i>	77 <i>(As at 1st Dec 09)</i>	↓
	8. Monthly no. of vehicle thefts <i>Hants Constabulary</i>	58	50 <i>(As at 3^{1st} Aug 09)</i>	35 <i>(As at 5th Oct 09)</i>	49 <i>(As at 2nd Nov 09)</i>	59 <i>(As at 1st Dec 09)</i>	↑
	9. Monthly no. of non dwelling burglaries <i>Hants Constabulary</i>	164	107 <i>(As at 3^{1st} Aug 09)</i>	145 <i>(As at 5th Oct 09)</i>	140 <i>(As at 2nd Nov 09)</i>	159 <i>(As at 1st Dec 09)</i>	↑
	10. Monthly no. of Robberies <i>Hants Constabulary</i>	52	33 <i>(As at 3^{1st} Aug 09)</i>	39 <i>(As at 5th Oct 09)</i>	44 <i>(As at 2nd Nov 09)</i>	31 <i>(As at 1st Dec 09)</i>	↓

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Debt Advice	11. Monthly number of new enquiries received by Citizens Advice Bureau <i>Citizens Advice Bureau</i>	Data unavailable due to different methods of recording	<i>(Data not available. To be presented to October DB meeting)</i>	1,375 Top 5 sectors: Other Benefits Issues, Working + child Tax Credits, Jobseekers Allowance, Dia-care Component, Housing Benefit <i>(As at 27th Sept 2009)</i>	1,748 <i>(Data was not available for November DB)</i> <i>(As at 2nd Dec 2009)</i>	1,608 Top 5 sectors: Other, Debt Housing, Legal, Employment <i>(As at 2nd Dec 2009)</i>	↓
	12. Monthly no. of referrals to SCC Welfare Rights Unit <i>Southampton City Council</i>	42 new referrals 10 one-off enquiries	35 new referrals 98 live cases 154 one-off enquiries <i>(As at 26th August 2009)</i>	45 new referrals 102 live cases 109 one-off enquiries <i>(As at 5th October 2009)</i>	56 new referrals 124 live cases 46 one-off enquiries <i>(As at 2nd November 2009)</i>	29 new referrals 127 live cases 59 one-off enquiries <i>(As at 2nd December 2009)</i>	↓
Housing & Homes	13. Average house prices <i>Southampton City Council</i>	£162,013	£134,741 <i>(For month of July 09)</i>	£137,020 <i>(For month of August 09)</i>	£137,786 <i>(For month of Sept 09)</i>	£142,049 <i>(For month of Oct 09)</i>	↑
	14. Number of households presenting as homeless to SCC (quarterly) <i>Southampton City Council</i>	07/08 Qtr 2: 196 preventions 78 homeless Total: 274	09/10 Qtr 2: <i>To be presented to the 1st October SP Delivery Board meeting.</i>	09/10 Qtr 2: 223 preventions 42 homeless Total: 265	Qtr 3 to be reported to February DB meeting	Qtr 3 to be reported to February DB meeting	↓
	15. Number of individuals sleeping rough or at imminent risk of sleeping rough <i>Southampton Voluntary Services</i>	46	51 14 stated they were rough sleepers 37 imminently at risk of rough sleeping. <i>(As at 31st Aug 2009)</i>	61 23 stated they were rough sleepers 38 imminently at risk of rough sleeping. <i>(As at 30th Sept 2009)</i>	59 21 stated they were rough sleepers 38 Imminently at risk of rough sleeping. <i>(As at 2nd Nov 2009)</i>	62 23 stated they were rough sleepers 39 Imminently at risk of rough sleeping. <i>(As at 3rd Dec 2009)</i>	↑

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Housing & Homes	16. Monthly number of housing benefit claimants <i>Southampton City Council</i>	22,681	25,193 <i>(As at 31st Aug 2009)</i>	25,227 <i>(As at 2nd Oct 2009)</i>	25,170 <i>(As at 2nd Nov 2009)</i>	25,385 <i>(As at 2nd Dec 2009)</i>	↑
	17. Monthly number of housing completions <i>Southampton City Council</i>	56	5 <i>(As at 26th Aug 2009)</i>	11 <i>(As at 5th Oct 2009)</i>	16 <i>(As at 3rd Nov 2009)</i>	11 <i>(As at 3rd Dec 2009)</i>	↓
	18. Mortgage repossessions at Southampton County Court <i>Southampton City Council</i>	Qtr 1 2007 – 184 Qtr 2 2007 – 148 Qtr 3 2007 – 173 Qtr 4 2007 – 163 Total 2007 – 668	Qtr 2 2009 – 105	Qtr 3 to be reported to December DB meeting	Qtr 3 to be reported to December DB meeting	Qtr 3 2009 – 140 <i>(Aug – Oct 2009 Ministry of Justice time periods, as released on 12th November 2009)</i>	↓