

The MONEY Charity

DEBT STATISTICS – OCTOBER 2013 SUMMARY



UK PERSONAL DEBT

Outstanding personal debt stood at **£1.427 trillion** at the end of August 2013.

- This is up from £1.421 trillion at the end of August 2012.

Outstanding secured (mortgage) lending stood at **£1.268 trillion** at the end of August 2013.

- This is up from £1.264 trillion at the end of August 2012.

Outstanding unsecured (consumer credit) lending stood at **£158.7 billion** at the end of August 2013.

- This is up from £156.8 billion at the end of August 2012.

Average household debt in the UK (excluding mortgages) was **£6,020** in August.

- This is up from a revised **£6,007** in July.

Average household debt in the UK (including mortgages) was **£54,141** in August.

- This is up from a revised **£54,111** in July.

The average amount owed per UK adult (including mortgages) was **£28,630** in August. This is up from a revised **£28,614** in July and was around **116%** of average earnings.

Average consumer borrowing (including credit cards, motor & retail finance deals, overdrafts & unsecured loans) per UK adult was **£3,183** in August. This is up from a revised **£3,177** in July.

The estimated average outstanding mortgage for the 11.3m households that carry mortgage debt stood at **£112,640** in August.

Based on August 2013 trends, the UK's total interest repayments on personal debt over a 12 month period would have been **£59.8 billion**.

- This is equivalent to **£164 million** per day.
- This means that UK households would have paid an average of **£2,267** in annual interest repayments.

The Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) predicted in March 2013 that total household debt will reach **£1.931 trillion** in Q1 2018. This would mean that average household debt would reach **£73,284** (assuming that the number of households in the UK remained the same between now and Q1 2018).

Total net lending to individuals by UK Banks and Building Societies **rose by £1.6 billion** in August 2013.

- Net secured lending rose by £1.0 billion in the month; net consumer credit lending rose by £0.6 billion.

UK Banks and Building Societies **wrote-off £3.67 billion** of loans to individuals over the four quarters to Q2 2013.

- In Q2 2013 itself they wrote-off £694 million (of which £371 million was credit card debt) amounting to a daily write-off of **£7.61m**.

EVERYDAY IN THE UK

Based on the latest available data, Credit Action estimates that every day in the UK:



282 people are declared insolvent or bankrupt every day (based on Q2 2013 trends).

- This is equivalent to one person **every 5 minutes 7 seconds**.

1,317 Consumer County Court Judgements (CCJs) are issued every day (based on Q2 2013 trends). The average value of a Consumer CCJ in Q2 2013 was **£2,766**.

Citizens Advice Bureaux in England and Wales dealt with **7,420** new debt problems every *working day* during the year ending June 2013.

It costs an average of **£29.02** per day to raise a child from birth to the age of 21

84 properties are repossessed every day (based on Q2 2013 trends).

An additional **14** people a day became unemployed for over 12 months during the year ending July 2013.

1,326 people a day reported they had become redundant between May and July 2013.

Public Sector Net Borrowing (excluding financial interventions) was **£13,157 million** in August 2013, meaning that the Government borrowed an average of **£424m** per day during the month (equivalent to **£4,912** per second).

141 mortgage possession claims are issued and **113** mortgage possession orders are made every day

431 landlord possession claims are issued and **319** landlord possession orders are made every day.

The UK population grew by **1,123 people a day** between 2001 and 2011.

30.9m plastic card purchase transactions were made every day in July 2013 with a total value of **£1.473 billion**.

9.00m cash machine transactions were made every day in August with a total value of **£368m**

A new car in the £13,000 - £18,000 price bracket travelling 10,000 miles per year costs **£16.23 per day** to run.

It cost **£68.80** to fill a 50 litre tank with unleaded petrol in September.

NATIONAL STATISTICS



The UK economy **grew by 0.7%** in the second quarter of 2013, according to latest estimates from the Office of National Statistics.

The number of unemployed people in the three months between May and July 2013 was **2.49 million** (7.7%). This is down by 24,000 from the previous three months, and down by 105,000 from a year earlier.

121,000 people (**1,326 a day**) reported they had become redundant over the three months. This is down by 20,000 from the previous three months, and down by 21,000 from a year earlier

899,000 people had been unemployed for over 12 months between May and July, virtually unchanged from the previous three months, and down 5,000 (**14 a day**) from a year earlier.

SERVICING DEBT



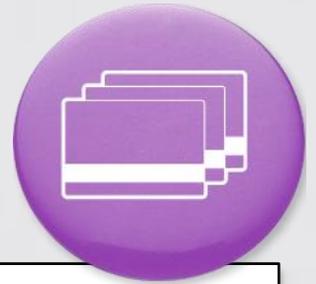
Based on *annual* figures to the end of June 2013, Citizens Advice Bureaux in England and Wales are dealing with **7,420** debt problems every *working day*.

According to the Council of Mortgage Lenders (CML), **7,700** properties were taken into possession in Q2 2013 (this is down from 8,000 in Q1 2013 and represents 0.07% of all outstanding mortgages).

This equates to **84** properties being repossessed every day, or one property being repossessed **every 17 minutes 4 seconds**

The Insolvency Service said there were **25,717** individual insolvencies in England and Wales in Q2 2013. This is equivalent to **282** people a day or, one person **every 5 minutes 7 seconds**

PLASTIC CARDS & PERSONAL LOANS



Total credit card debt in August 2013 was **£57.2bn**.

During July 2013 an average of **357** purchases were made in the UK every second using debit and credit cards, based on figures from the UK Cards Association

On a daily basis, purchases using plastic cards were worth **£1.473 billion** during July

NOTES

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