

The MONEY Charity

DEBT STATISTICS – JUNE 2014 SUMMARY



UK PERSONAL DEBT

Outstanding personal debt stood at **£1.443 trillion** at the end of April 2014.

- This is up from £1.424 trillion at the end of April 2013.

Outstanding secured (mortgage) lending stood at **£1.283 trillion** at the end of April.

- This is up from £1.268 trillion at the end of April 2013.

Outstanding unsecured (consumer credit) lending stood at **£160.2 billion** at the end of April 2014.

- This is up from £156.1 billion at the end of April 2013.

Average household debt in the UK (excluding mortgages) was **£6,065** in April.

- This is up from a revised **£6,057** in March.

Average household debt in the UK (including mortgages) was **£54,629** in April.

- This is up from a revised **£54,556** in March.

The average amount owed per UK adult (including mortgages) was **£28,756** in April. This is up from a revised **£28,717** in March and was around **116%** of average earnings.

Average consumer borrowing (including credit cards, motor and retail finance deals, overdrafts and unsecured loans) per UK adult was **£3,192** in April. This is up from a revised **£3,188** in March.

The estimated average outstanding mortgage for the 11.2m households that carry mortgage debt stood at **£114,872** in April.

Based on April 2014 trends, the UK's total interest repayments on personal debt over a 12 month period would have been **£58.8 billion**.

- This is equivalent to **£161 million** per day.
- This means that UK households would have paid an average of **£2,226** in annual interest repayments.

The Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) predicted in March 2014 that total household debt will reach **£2.251 trillion** in Q1 2019. This would mean that average household debt would reach **£85,220** (assuming that the number of households in the UK remained the same between now and Q1 2019).

Total net lending to individuals by UK Banks and Building Societies **rose by £2.4 billion** in April 2014.

- Net secured lending rose by £1.7 billion in the month; net consumer credit lending rose by £0.7 billion.

UK Banks and Building Societies **wrote-off £3.42 billion** of loans to individuals over the four quarters to Q1 2014.

- In Q1 2014 itself they wrote-off £669 million (of which £391 million was credit card debt) amounting to a daily write-off of **£7.3 million**.

EVERYDAY IN THE UK

Based on the latest available data, The Money Charity estimates that every day in the UK:



277 people are declared insolvent or bankrupt every day (based on Q1 2014 trends). This is equivalent to one person **every 5 minutes 12 seconds**.

1,910 Consumer County Court Judgements (CCJs) are issued every day (based on Q1 2014 trends). The average value of a Consumer CCJ in Q1 2014 was **£2,360**.

Citizens Advice Bureaux in England and Wales dealt with **6,519** new debt problems every *working day* during the year ending March 2014.

It costs an average of **£29.65** per day to raise a child from birth to the age of 21.

71 properties are repossessed every day (based on Q1 2014 trends).

The number of people unemployed for over 12 months during the year ending March 2014 fell by **244** per day.

1,400 people a day reported they had become redundant between January and March.

Public Sector Net Borrowing (excluding financial interventions) was **£7,364 million** in April 2014, meaning that the Government borrowed an average of **£245 million** per day during the month (equivalent to **£2,841** per second).

141 mortgage possession claims are issued and **99** mortgage possession orders are made every day.

525 landlord possession claims are issued and **373** landlord possession orders are made every day.

The UK population grew by **1,114 people a day** between 2001 and 2011.

31.5 million plastic card purchase transactions were made every day in March 2014 with a total value of **£1.496 billion**.

8.82m cash machine transactions were made every day in April with a total value of **£357m**.

A new car in the £13,000 - £18,000 price bracket travelling 10,000 miles per year costs **£14.04 per day** to run.

It cost **£64.96** to fill a 50 litre tank with unleaded petrol in May.

NATIONAL STATISTICS



The UK economy **grew by 0.8%** in the first quarter of 2014, according to latest estimates from the Office of National Statistics.

The Bank of England Base Rate is currently set at **0.5%** (since being established in 1694, the Rate has never been lower). It was reduced to this level on 5th March 2009, and has been held there for 62 months.

126,000 people (**1,400 a day**) reported they had become redundant over the three months. This is up by 15,000 from the previous three months, but down by 14,000 from a year earlier.

813,000 people had been unemployed for over 12 months between January and March, down by 32,000 from the previous three months, and down by 89,000 (**244 a day**) from a year earlier.



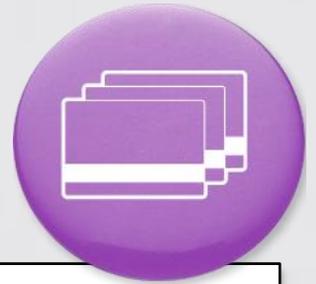
SERVICING DEBT

Based on annual figures up to the end of March 2014, Citizens Advice Bureaux in England and Wales are dealing with **6,519** debt problems every *working day*.

According to the Council of Mortgage Lenders (CML), **6,400** properties were taken into possession in Q1 2014 (this is up from 6,100 in Q4 2013, but down from 8,000 in Q1 2013).

This equates to **71** properties being repossessed every day, or one property being repossessed **every 20 minutes 15 seconds**.

The Insolvency Service said there were **24,931** individual insolvencies in England and Wales in Q1 2014. This is equivalent to **277** people a day or, one person **every 5 minutes 12 seconds**.



PLASTIC CARDS & PERSONAL LOANS

Total credit card debt in April 2014 was **£57.1bn**.

During March 2014 an average of **365** 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 **£1.496 billion** during March.

NOTES

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