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Frank Roy MP House of Commons London SW1A 0AA

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Dear Mr Roy,

As Director General for the Office for National Statistics (ONS), I have been asked to reply to your Parliamentary Question asking the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions how many and what proportion of the working age population of Motherwell and Wishaw constituency are in receipt of jobseeker's allowance. (211263)

There were 2,119 people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance resident in Motherwell and Wishaw constituency in September 2014, representing 3.5% of the population aged 16 to 64 years.

The ONS compiles data on the number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance from the JobcentrePlus Administrative System.

National and local area estimates for many labour market statistics, including employment, unemployment and claimant count are available on the NOMIS website at http://www.nomisweb.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Glen Watson Director General for ONS

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