

Universal Credit- Latest Position

Universal Credit Statistics to 17th Sept 15					Starts
East & South East Scotland					3413
Glasgow, Lanarkshire & E Dunbartonshire					4357
North of Scotland					2124
West of Scotland					2369
National					145,239
Male	Female	16-24	25-49	50+	In Employment
66%	34%	51%	42%	7%	43%

63 Scottish Jobcentres now delivering Universal Credit
November – Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray & West Lothian (8 Jobcentres)

Tranche 4 (Dec to Apr): Angus, Argyle & Bute,
East Ayrshire, East Dunbartonshire, Fife and Perth & Kinross
Councils – (20 Jobcentres)

Source: DWP, Official Statistics Database – Gov.Uk

Trusted Partnership Extended Pilot



- Phase 1 commenced 28/9 with 6 of the original proof of concept landlords and aims to test the full end to end APA process.
- Landlords will help to identify claimants who are unlikely to pay their rent and assess how they can be supported towards taking responsibility
- The pilot is expected to run for 6 to 9 months
- Phase 2 will include a wider selection of landlords from England, Scotland and Wales including stock owning local authorities and arm's length managed organisations
- Expression of interest for phase 2 of the pilot to ensure we have a number of landlords representing geographical and organisational size to inform our learning from the pilot and future implementation.



Housing Lead Change

- Alison Hunt has replaced Ian Marshall as lead for Housing Issues
- Queries to be channelled through email & telephone escalation routes
- Emerging issues / difficulties should be directed to District Partnership Managers
- Alison will conduct full review & put in place any additional support required.

Intensive Activity Period

- Starts on 26/10/15
- Builds on the requirements of Day One Conditionality
- Designed to facilitate effective full-time job seeking from Day One and aims to accelerate the claimant's movement into work
- IAP will be applicable to approximately 10% of single, young people, who, at the point of making a new claim for Universal Credit, are aged between 18 and 24, not currently in education, employment or training and in the Intensive Work Search Regime of the All Work Related Requirement Group.
- The activities will include: producing a CV and covering letter; completing application forms; interview skills; Internet work searches; references
- Requirement to attend two 90 minute facilitated workshops
- Requirement to complete worksheets

In Work Earnings Progression Trial

- Actively supporting in-work claimants has always been a core principle of UC – IWEPP meets this objective by offering support to claimants who are in some of the lowest-income households and in low-paid work, encouraging them to earn more and become more independent and self-sufficient.
- Claimants who move into part-time employment currently receive 'light touch' support – 2 x 30 minute telephone conversations within first 8 weeks of starting work
- The Trial participants are randomly allocated to 1 of 3 Groups:
 - Group 1 – IWP 8 Weekly interventions
 - Group 2 – IWP 2 Weekly interventions
 - Group 3 - IWP Light Touch
- IWEPP currently in place in Inverness but will be rolled out to the remaining Scottish sites between Dec 15 & May 16