



## How is employment structured in rural England?

In the first quarter of 2006, 57.8% (4 million) people of working age were in full-time employment in rural areas.

Employment Status	Rural	Mixed	Urban	England
Working fulltime	4,007,900	4,729,200	8,549,100	17,286,200
	<b>57.8%</b>	<b>57.9%</b>	<b>55.2%</b>	<b>56.5%</b>
Working part-time	1,431,100	1,535,500	2,477,500	5,444,100
	<b>20.6%</b>	<b>18.8%</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>17.8%</b>
Economically inactive	1,301,900	1,600,800	3,708,600	6,611,300
	<b>18.8%</b>	<b>19.6%</b>	<b>24.0%</b>	<b>21.6%</b>
Unemployed	189,800	299,000	741,500	1,230,400
	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>

Source: ONS, 2006. Annual Population Survey – workplace analysis<sup>1</sup>

Of those in employment 11.4% (792 thousand) were self employed

Type of employment	Rural	Mixed	Urban	England
Self employed	792,700	751,900	1,347,500	2,892,100
	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>
Employees	4,618,700	5,487,100	9,625,000	19,730,800
	<b>66.6%</b>	<b>67.2%</b>	<b>62.2%</b>	<b>64.5%</b>

Source: ONS, 2006. Annual Population Survey – workplace analysis

<sup>1</sup> A workplace based labour market survey updated quarterly. The workplace analysis records a job at the location of an employees workplace.

For more information about the 2005 Defra Classification of Local Authority Districts and Unitary Authorities in England:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/rural/ruralstats/rural-definition.htm>

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