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| **Labour Market Information** **April 2021** |  |
| Sources: NOMIS - Annual Population Survey (October 2019 - September 2020), NOMIS - Claimant Count February 2021, HMRC coronavirus (COVID-19) Statistics CJRS – March 2021 & SEISS February 2021Job Retention Scheme - The February release provides claims data as at the end of February 2021, but claims data from the start of February is provisional and likely to be revised.**Claimants**The claimant count is a measure released monthly of the number of people claiming unemployment related benefits. The Bradford District claimant rate (proportion of residents aged 16 – 64) increased from 5.2% in March 2020 to 9.8% in March 2021. The 18-24 year old claimant rate increased from 7.8% in March 2020 to 15.2% in March 2021.Source: NOMIS - Claimant Count March 2021 – Claimant count includes those claiming Job Seekers Allowance and those claiming the unemployment-related element of Universal Credit. In some cases claimants are not unemployed, but are eligible due to low wages and hours. The figures are subject to revision.Source – Department for Work and Pensions - Stat-Xplore – 23rd February 2021. Next update due 18th May 2021.**Vacancies** Research by West Yorkshire Combined Authority indicates that there has been volatility in the number of vacancies posted online over the past few weeks in West Yorkshire. There was a sharp increase of 11% towards the end of March followed by sharp fall of 9% in week ending 10th April. Bradford followed this volatility with a 13% increase and then a fall of 7%. The West Yorkshire weekly count is on a par with pre-crisis levels. Source: West Yorkshire Combined Authority, Covid 19 economic monitor / dashboard – latest 23rd April 2021**Employment by occupation**Source: NOMIS - ONS annual population survey – (January 2020 to December 2020) **Qualifications**

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| **Level of Qualifications in Population** |  |  |  |  |
| (Jan 2020-Dec 2020) |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Bradford** | **Bradford** | **Yorkshire And The Humber** | **Great Britain** |
|  | (Level) | (%) | (%) | (%) |
| **NVQ4 And Above** | 114,700 | 34.7 | 37.3 | 43.1 |
| **NVQ3 And Above** | 175,100 | 53.0 | 57.7 | 51.4 |
| **NVQ2 And Above** | 230,300 | 69.6 | 75.9 | 78.2 |
| **NVQ1 And Above** | 272,900 | 82.5 | 86.9 | 87.9 |
| **Other Qualifications** | 26,200 | 7.9 | 6.2 | 5.7 |
| **No Qualifications** | 31,600 | 9.5 | 7.0 | 6.4 |

Source: NOMIS - ONS annual population survey - Numbers and % are for those of 16 - 64 & % is a proportion of resident population aged 16 - 64**Apprenticeships – Bradford starts & achievements**

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|  | **2019/2020 Starts** | **2019/2020 Achievements** |
|  | **Intermediate**  | **Advanced**  | **Higher**  | **Intermediate**  | **Advanced**  | **Higher**  |
| Under 19 | 430 | 410 | 40 | 280 | 180 | 10 |
| 19 to 24 | 300 | 430 | 160 | 160 | 230 | 30 |
| 25+ | 320 | 630 | 370 | 180 | 250 | 100 |
| Total | 1,060 | 1,470 | 580 | 620 | 650 | 140 |

Volumes are rounded to the nearest ten. The data covers the period affected by Covid-19 and the national lockdown. This is likely to have impacted on apprenticeship training activity and the reporting of data. 2019/2020 achievements published in November 2020 are now treated as the final record. Overall 2019/2020 had less achievements than would normally have been expected due to disruption to exams and assessments and breaks in learning etc. 2020/21 will have more given the delays in training, passing assessments etc.Source: <https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/apprenticeships-and-traineeships/2019-20> . 2020/21 <https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/apprenticeships-and-traineeships>**Bradford Young People – 16/17 year olds Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) & Participation in Learning**In March 2021, compared with March 2020, there were:* Fewer young people in employment with training, apprenticeships and training (1,220 versus 1,568)
* More young people in NEET & Not Known (874 versus 565)

Source: Participation & Transition Monthly Summary March 2021. |