

Prosperity & Economic Development

	2008/09 Outturn	2009/10 Outturn	Are we improving?	Target	Have we achieved the target?	Commentary
The percentage of the working age population (16-59 for females and 16-64 for males) who are in employment (NI151).	70.50 %	70.60 %	•	?	1	
The percentage of the working age population who are claiming out of work benefits (NI152).	18.15 %	19.50 %	*	19.30 %	•	
The percentage of the working age population who are claiming out of work benefits in the worst performing neighbourhoods (SOA's with over 25% claimant rate) (NI153)	30.60 %	27.50 %	٠	31.80 %	*	
Number of learners achieving a Level 1 qualification in literacy (NI161).	1,661.00	3,545.00	•	973.00	*	
Number of learners achieving an Entry Level 3 qualification in numeracy (NI162).	204.00	1,008.00	•	114.00	*	
The percentage of working age population qualified to at least level 2 or higher (NI163).	65.40 %	67.60 %	*	66.00 %	*	
The percentage of working age population qualified to at least level 3 or higher (NI164).	43.40 %	43.20 %	*	?	!	
The percentage of working age population qualified to at least level 4 or higher (NI165).	21.60 %	22.60 %	v	?	1	
Median gross weekly pay of full-time employees on a workplace basis (NI166)	432.80	406.60	*	?	1	
The rate of business registrations per 10,000 resident population aged 16 and above (NI171).	33.20	31.30	*	36.10		
The percentage of VAT registered businesses showing year-on-year employment growth (NI172).	14.90 %	15.90 %	•	?	1	
The percentage of the working population living who move directly from employment to incapacity benefits (IB) each year (NI173).	?	10.90 %	?	?	1	
The percentage of young people aged 16 to 18 years not in education employment or training (NEET)	13.20 %	9.40 %	•	9.50 %	*	