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**Market sector employment: final quarter of the financial year (millions, 16+)**

2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
23.5	23.5	23.7	24.0	24.3	24.8	25.2

Market sector employment equal to total LFS employment (ONS identifier: MGRZ) minus: general government employment (ONS identifier: G6NW), LFS unpaid family workers (ONS identifier: MGRT) and government-supported trainees (ONS identifier: LOJU).

The OBR does not produce a quarterly forecast of general government employment. This series shows the time profile that would be implied by a stylised assumption that general government employment falls at a constant rate at between the latest data point and our expected end-point in 2016-17. As we explained in the November 2011 EFO, there is reason to believe that some public sector employers are front-loading expected cuts in employment.

This release is consistent with the November 2011 Economic and fiscal outlook forecast