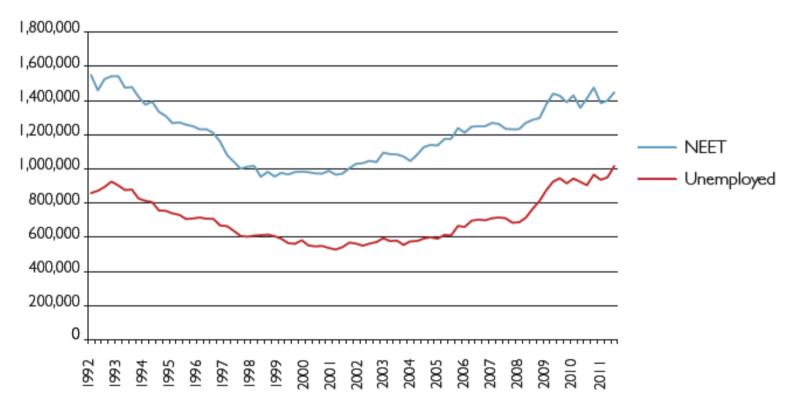


Tackling youth unemployment - the UK wide context

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Scale of the problem



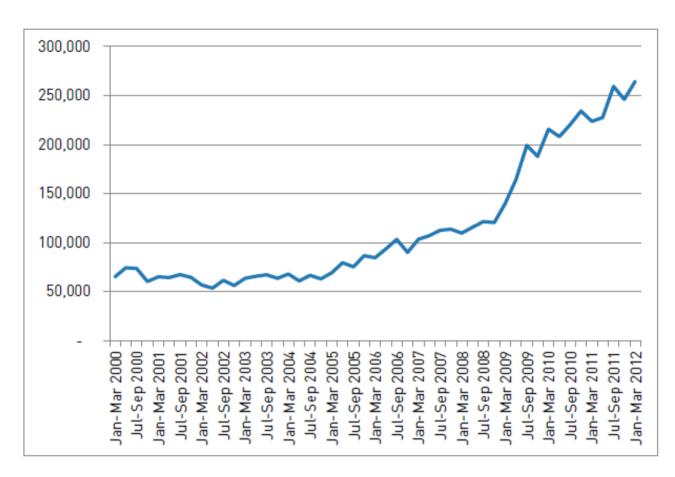


Source: Labour Force Survey

Figure 1: 16 to 24 year olds NEET and unemployed

Length of time unemployed (2023)





Source: Labour Force Survey, ONS (includes full-time students)

Figure 2: 16 to 24 year olds unemployed for 12 months or more

Local Authority Area	16-24 year olds claiming job seekers allowance, rate (%), July 2012
Blaenau Gwent	13.8
Derry	12.6
North Ayrshire	12.6
Hartlepool	12.3
Merthyr Tydfil	12.3
Limavady	12.2
Sandwell	12
Wolverhampton	11.9
East Ayrshire	11.8
South Tyneside	11.6
Clackmannshire	11
Corby	11
Redcar & Cleveland	10.9
Doncaster	10.8
Hull	10.8
Strabane	10.7
North Lanarkshire	10.5
Thanet	10.5
Torfaen	10.5
Walsall	10.5
West Dunbartonshire	10.5
Barnsley	10.4
Knowsley	10.4
North East Lincolnshire	10.4
Caerphilly	10.1

The consequences



- Youth unemployment damages the employment and earnings potential of young people for long periods of time.
- Youth unemployment results in significant costs to the nation's finances.
- Society as a whole is damaged by youth unemployment

Tackling youth unemployment



- APSE research and case studies
- Showcasing examples from Wales today
- Areas of intervention by local authorities across UK:
 - Partnerships with local businesses e.g. Falkirk
 - Creation of in-house apprenticeships e.g. Hackney LB, North Lanarkshire
 - Campaigns e.g. AGMA

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