

Reduction in the level of worklessness										
2007/08 outturn	PI ref	PI description	Q1	Q2	Q3	compared to target	2008/09 year-end target	predicted performance to target	Progress to date	Remedial Action
32,500	LAA ED&E 01c	Number of incapacity benefit claimants (LAA stretch target)	32,970	30,200	29,900		31,800		The latest data is that of May 08 and shows full achievement of the LAA stretch target	
24,800	LAA ED&E 01cii	Number of incapacity benefit claimants - NRF (LAA stretch target)	25,030	22,900	22,600		24,100		The latest data is that of May 08 and shows full achievement of the LAA stretch target	
	NI 146	% of adults with learning disabilities in paid employment at the time of their assessment or latest review			2.08				This is a new indicator which was introduced from 1st October 2008 and this is the first available performance data. The indicator measures the percentage of people with learning disabilities that have been assessed or reviewed in the 3rd Quarter and are in paid employment. This is a priority for Learning Disability services and work will be undertaken with the Learning Disability Partnership to set targets in March for 2009/10.	
	NI 150	% of adults receiving secondary mental health services in paid employment at the time of their most recent assessment, formal review or other multi-disciplinary care planning meeting							This is a new national indicator introduced in October 2008. Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Trust have confirmed that monitoring data will be available by 4th Quarter for this National Indicator.	
	NI 152	% of the working age population who are claiming out of work benefits	18.60	18.80	18.50		18.60		The latest available data is that for May 08 which shows that 57,870 working age people in the County were claiming out of work benefits. The data shows a slight improvement from the February 08 data reported in September 08. However, the data should be viewed with caution, the datasets have a six month timelag and the full effects of the economic downturn will not be shown until future datasets are available. The district breakdown is listed below; Chester-le-Street, 15.3 Derwentside, 19.1 Durham City, 11.3 Easington, 25.7 Sedgfield, 20.3 Teesdale, 12.3 Wear Valley, 21.5	
335.90	NI 166	Median earnings of employees in the area	335.90	335.90	344.50		364.40		The latest data from 2008, recently released, shows a slight increase in the median earnings of employees in the County.	
	NI 173	% of the working population who move directly from employment, including those in receipt of employers sick pay or SSP, to incapacity benefits (IB)		0.88	0.94		1.22		Data for this indicator has a six month time lag, therefore the latest available data relates to the period up to May 08. This data shows that 2,100 people in the County moved from employment to incapacity benefit. The district breakdown is listed below; Chester-le-Street, 0.67% Derwentside, 0.95% Durham City, 0.78% Easington, 1.12% Sedgfield, 1.35% Teesdale, 0% Wear Valley, 1.10%	

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CP EW 1.1	We will maximise the use of funding to support activities which aim to reduce the level of worklessness in County Durham. This includes effectively managing funding programmes (including developing applications, undertaking monitoring and evaluations and submitting claims) and continuing to identify and secure additional funding to support initiatives that reduce the levels of worklessness.				A Single Programme business case for Economic Inclusion in South West Durham for £1,050,000 was submitted to One North East in December and is due to be approved on 27th January 2009. An evaluation of worklessness in County Durham project has been completed and will inform future policy.	
CP EW 1.2	Through our work to increase the accessibility of services through the Local Transport Plan we will work with the Community Transport Forum to help provide opportunities for people to access employment, particularly in areas not served by a regular public transport service, including schemes such as 'Wheels to Work'				Funded through the Local Transport Plan and supported by the Community Transport Forum there are several Wheels to Work schemes currently in operation in the County, namely in Teesdale, Wear Valley, Deerness Valley, Derwentside and Chester-le-Street. These schemes provide scooters to young people who do not have access to regular public transport. Mini-bus schemes are also supporting access to skills, training and education	
CP EW 1.3	We will work to increase opportunities for people with disabilities and mental health problems to access and retain paid employment, including through Workable solutions. Our WorkAble Solutions service offers people with disabilities who want to achieve or maintain paid work – full or part time - support with: Basic Skills assessment Pre-employment training Short vocational courses Welfare benefits advice Work placements Job searching Interview preparation and support Access to work One-to-one support in the workplace				The number of people with learning disabilities, physical disabilities and mental health problems supported in employment between April and December is on target. An additional 46 Basic Skills Assessments were completed in 3rd Quarter, taking the total since April to 80. The target of 135 is expected to be achieved by 31 March 2009.	Staff in the team are now targeting their efforts on identifying people who require a Basic Skills Assessment and expect to hit the year end target by 31st March 2009.