

# City of Edinburgh

### Labour Market Insights

Making skills work for Scotland

### Contents

- How are Demand and Supply in Edinburgh shaping up for 2022?
  - Demand
    - UK and Scottish economy
    - Supply side claimant count
- New insight to look out for

### **Economic Outlook**



Source: Scottish Government

### **Economic Outlook**

### Slowly does it: economy looks set to continue expanding



### Another indicator of demand – job postings



**Time Series Analysis** 

## Job Postings over last 12 month – Top 5's

#### Job types

- Programmers and software development professionals
- Other administrative occupations
- Customer service occupations
- IT business analysts, architects and system designers
- Management consultants and business analysts

#### Employers

- Council
- NHS
- University of Edinburgh
- Nat West
- Scottish Ambulance Service

#### Industries

- Education
- Human Health activities
- Financial service activities, except insurance and pension funding
- Food and beverage service activities
- Retail trade, except motorcycles and motor vehicles

#### Skills

- Teamwork/collaboration
- Customer service
- Budgeting
- Project Management
- Sales

### Supply side of the labour market – claimant count



- Claimant count is one measure of unemployment
- Good progress in 2021 but still some way from pre-pandemic levels
- Cities claimant count numbers slower to recover
- Furlough exit didn't lead to rise in unemployment

### Claimant count – more analysis



• Similar journey but rapid growth in male unemployment at start of pandemic

Men's position has worsened and not yet recovered

## Claimant count – more analysis



- 16-24 group almost back to pre-pandemic levels
- 50+ progress slowed in latter part of 2021 and still not at pre-pandemic levels
- 25-49 group is the biggest group and not yet recovered to pre-pandemic levels
- Still valid reasons to support young and older workers but might need to rebalance investments

### New insight on the way

- Sector Skills Assessments now published
- Regional Skills Assessments April

