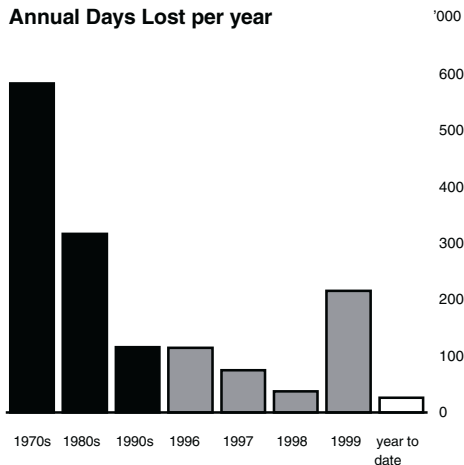




Industrial Disputes Second Quarter 2000



Disputes in Progress

	Disputes	Workers	Days lost
Q2 1999	11	3,204	26,158
Q1 2000	12	4,125	23,238
Q2 2000	12	1,259	3,115
Q1-Q2 1999	16	3,982	28,191
Q1-Q2 2000	23	5,334	26,353

Decrease in days lost in second quarter

During the second quarter of 2000, there were 12 industrial disputes involving 1,259 workers. The number of days lost was 3,115, which is below the first quarter figure of 23,238 days lost, and also below the corresponding quarter of 1999 when 26,158 days were lost.

The majority of the days lost in the second quarter were in the manufacturing sector (45%) and in transport, storage and communication (37%).

In the first six months of 2000 there were 26,353 days lost, compared to 28,191 for the same period in 1999.

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Table 1 Industrial Disputes which began or were in progress in the second quarter of 2000

Industrial Group	Disputes which began in Q2 2000	Disputes in progress during Q2 2000			Total days lost
		Number of disputes	Number of firms	Number of workers	
A-B Agriculture, forestry and fishing	–	–	–	–	–
C Mining and quarrying	–	–	–	–	–
D Manufacturing	2	3	3	610	1,400
E Electricity, gas and water supply	–	–	–	–	–
F Construction	–	–	–	–	–
G Wholesale and retail trade	1	1	1	19	133
H Hotels and restaurants	1	1	1	74	64
I Transport, storage and communication	3	3	6	222	1,155
J-K Financial and other business services	–	–	–	–	–
L Public administration and defence	2	2	2	251	295
M Education ¹	2	2	2	83	68
N Health and social work	–	–	–	–	–
O-Q Other services	–	–	–	–	–
Total Q2 2000	11	12	15	1,259	3,115

¹ In one of the disputes in the education sector, it was not possible to include figures for the number of part-time workers involved.

Table 2 Industrial Disputes which began or were in progress in each quarter, 1993-2000

Year	Quarter	Disputes which began	Disputes in progress			
			Number of disputes ¹	Number of firms involved ¹	Workers involved ¹	Total days lost
1993	Quarter 1	15	16	16	2,378	13,673
	Quarter 2	16	23	23	3,368	18,342
	Quarter 3	9	12	12	7,049	23,257
	Quarter 4	7	9	9	447	6,040
	Total 1993	47	48	48	12,789	61,312
1994	Quarter 1	7	8	8	837	5,088
	Quarter 2	11	13	222	1,585	11,374
	Quarter 3	4	4	4	1,392	3,143
	Quarter 4	6	7	7	1,329	5,945
	Total 1994	28	29	238	5,007	25,550
1995	Quarter 1	14	14	14	2,134	5,334
	Quarter 2	10	11	11	28,762	89,872
	Quarter 3	5	7	7	8,339	31,466
	Quarter 4	4	5	5	624	3,628
	Total 1995	34	34	34	31,653	130,300
1996	Quarter 1	5	7	7	1,179	1,949
	Quarter 2	14	15	15	2,830	16,682
	Quarter 3	6	6	6	9,471	89,800
	Quarter 4	5	8	8	1,418	6,153
	Total 1996	30	32	30	13,339	114,584
1997	Quarter 1	9	9	9	838	13,814
	Quarter 2	10	12	17	4,343	55,249
	Quarter 3	3	7	7	119	2,121
	Quarter 4	6	6	6	433	3,324
	Total 1997	28	28	33	5,364	74,508
1998	Quarter 1	10	11	11	3,376	13,629
	Quarter 2	7	9	30	3,084	7,267
	Quarter 3	6	8	15	854	13,112
	Quarter 4	10	12	14	1,029	3,366
	Total 1998	33	34	62	8,060	37,374
1999	Quarter 1	6	6	7	787	2,033
	Quarter 2	10	11	101	3,204	26,158
	Quarter 3	8	10	11	816	8,864
	Quarter 4	8	9	17	32,203	178,532
	Total 1999	32	32	127	36,505	215,587
2000	Quarter 1	12	12	15	4,125	23,238
	Quarter 2	11	12	15	1,259	3,115

¹The quarterly totals in these columns will not always add to the annual total since an Industrial Dispute can be in progress in more than one quarter.

Background Notes

Sources The information on Industrial Disputes is based on details supplied by the Monitoring Unit of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment and on information collected directly from other sources by the Central Statistics Office.

Scope Disputes are included in this release if they involve a stoppage of work lasting for at least one day and the total time lost is 10 or more person-days.

Days Lost In calculating days lost, it is assumed that work would have continued if no dispute had occurred. No allowance is made for loss of work from unemployment or other causes (such as bad weather) which might have happened even if there was no dispute. The number of days lost is calculated by multiplying the number of persons involved by the number of normal working days during which they were involved in the dispute. Persons working for approximately 40 hours per week are assumed to be working the equivalent of a 5 day week even if the work is spread over more than 5 days.

Disputes in Progress The tables show data on disputes which began and disputes which were in progress in each quarter. The quarterly figures for the number of disputes in progress and for the number of firms and workers involved will not always add to the annual total, since an industrial dispute can be in progress in more than one quarter.