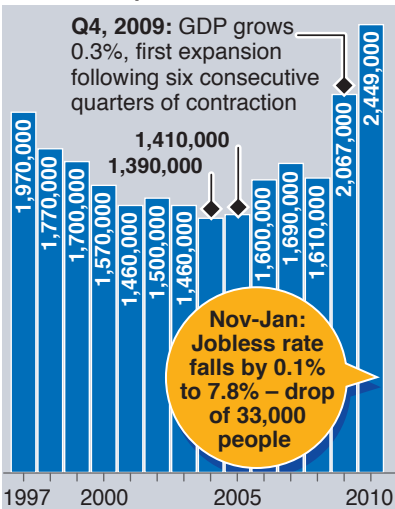


Rise in long-term jobless

The number of unemployed in the UK now stands at 2.45 million. For the three months to January, the number of people unemployed for more than a year increased by 61,000 to 687,000 – the highest level since the Labour government came to power in 1997



Source: Data to 2006 from Labour Force Survey, 2007-2010 from International Labour Organization (Nov-Jan quarters)

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