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## A RISE IN EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNAL CLAIMS

The Employment Tribunal Services have now published the employment tribunal statistics for 2006/2007.

The statistics show that there has been an increase of 15% in claims since 2005/2006 with the figures reaching 132,577 - a record high.

The figures show that there was a 155% rise in equal pay claims and a 100% rise in sex discrimination claims.

The only jurisdiction that has shown a decrease since 2005/2006 were race discrimination claims – down to 3,780 from 4,103 and also working time claims – down to 21,127 from 35,474.

The Employment Appeal Tribunal heard 432 cases at a full hearing – this is a 22% reducing from 2005/2006.

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