A simple guide to RSN online spreadsheets - An Analysis of Model-based estimates of unemployment

The estimates of unemployment used within this analysis come from the Office for National Statistics, and are based on a model which utilises Annual Population Survey estimates of unemployment along with the number of people claiming Jobseekers Allowance (JSA) averaged over 12 months.

The analysis shows the quarterly fluctuations in estimates of unemployment levels and rates for a chosen member authority over a period of four years. It also charts the rates for the local authority's associated rural/urban classification average and a chosen comparator authority or average.

To use the analysis, please follow these steps:

Using the mouse, select this cell (containing a local authority name).

To the right of the cell, a grey square with a blue triangle appears. Clicking on this presents the full list of options available.

A scroll bar to the right of the list reveals all available authorities to choose from, and clicking on the authority name populates the graph.

The same method is used to select a comparator for the graph of unemployment rates.

I hope this helps. If you have any comments or suggestions, please contact dan.worth@sparse.gov.uk