

AdvicePro cases by area of social welfare law

January 2022 – October 2023

Deficit budget data – October 2023

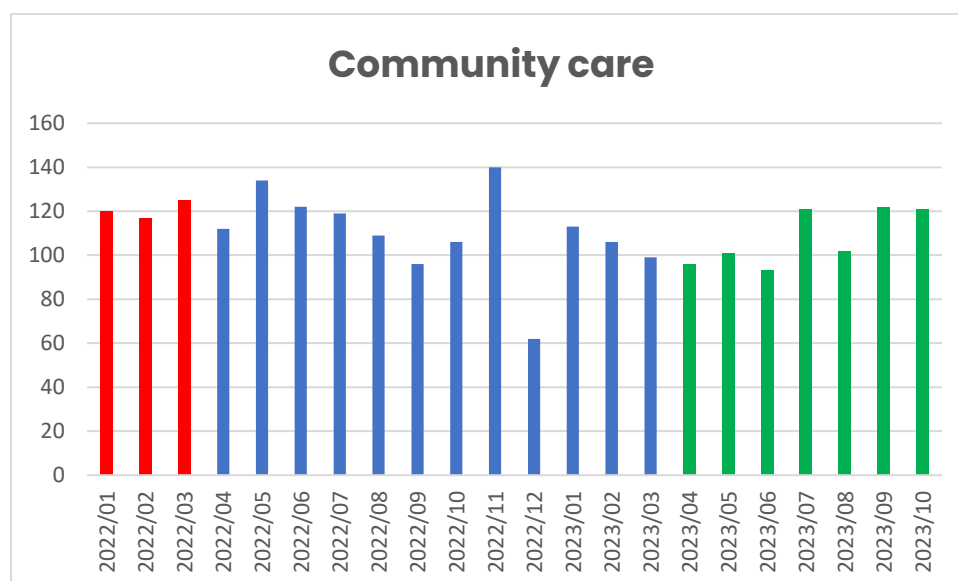
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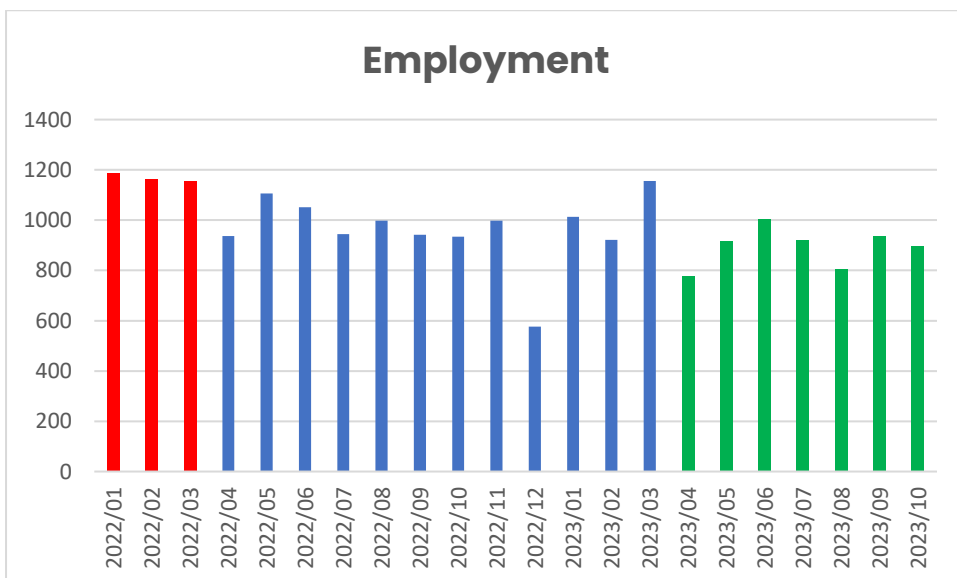
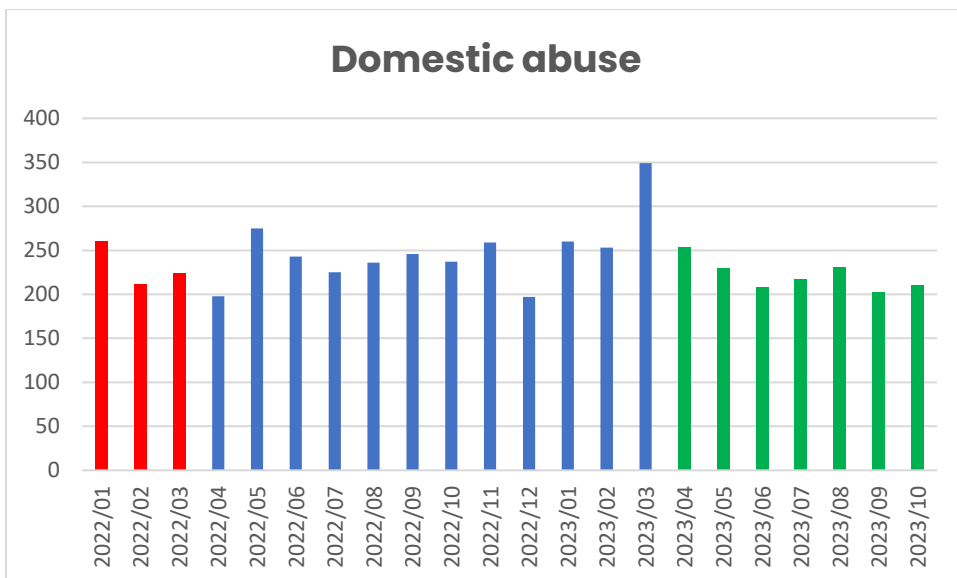
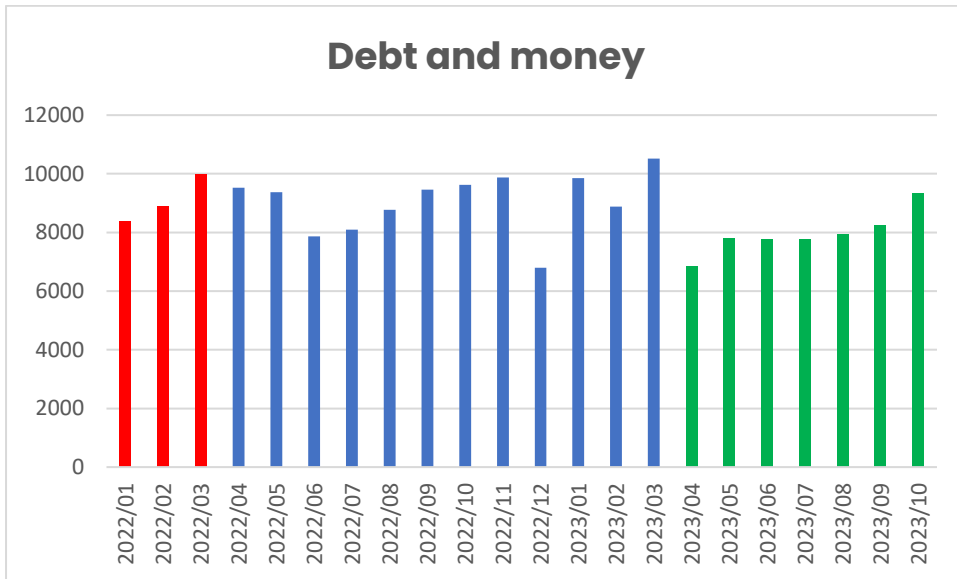
The following figures are for cases opened by AdviceUK members who subscribe to AdvicePro¹ for the period 1 January 2022 – 31 October 2023.

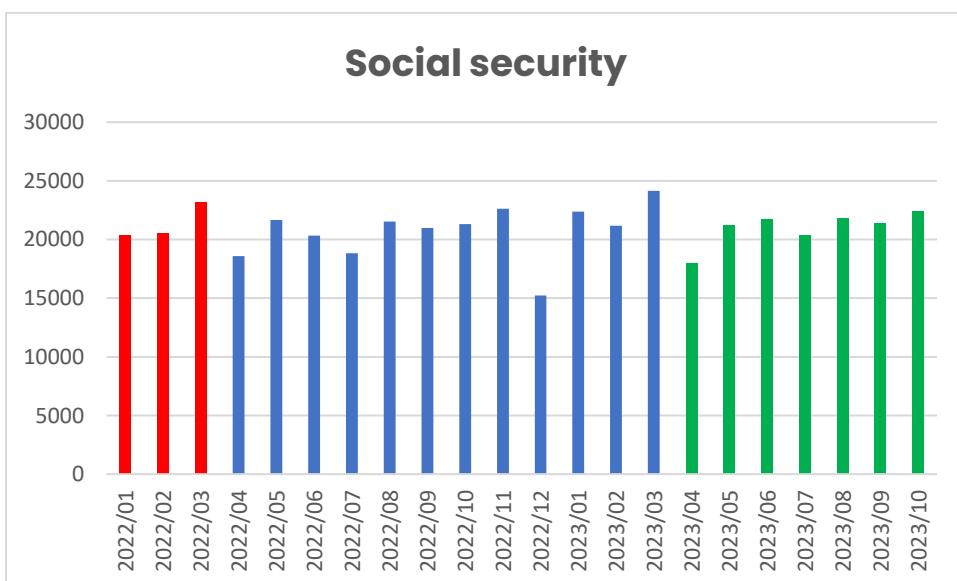
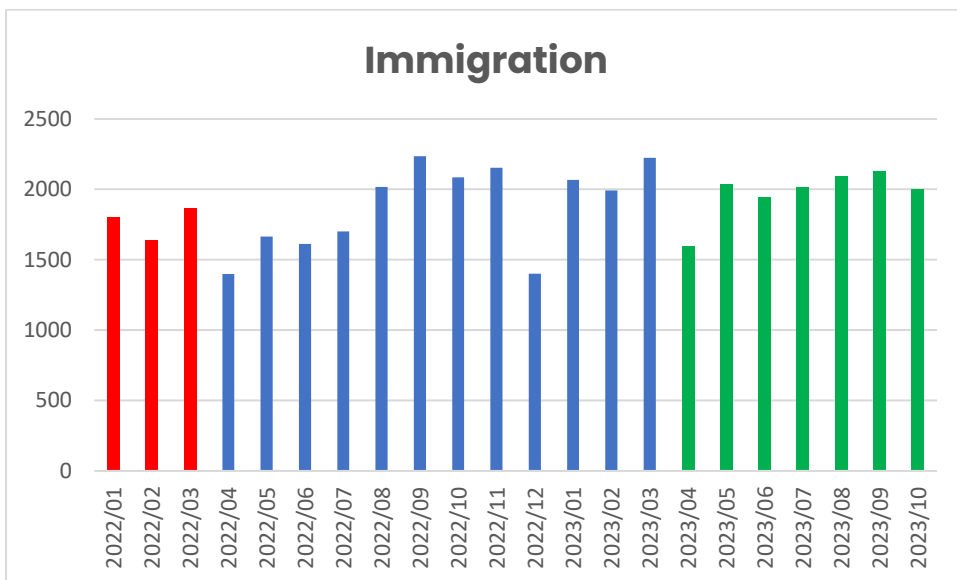
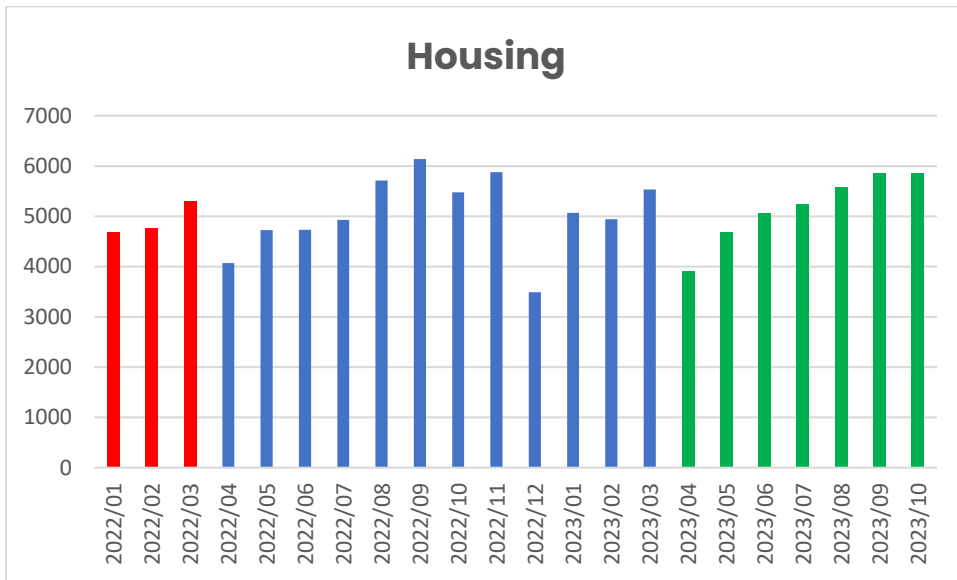
Current financial year is shown in green, previous financial year in blue, and the year before that in red.

Case volumes in October 2023 rose for domestic abuse, housing, social security and – most notably – for debt and money compared to those for the previous month. There were slight falls for community care, employment and immigration. Last month debt and money case volumes were running at the highest level since March this year. More social security cases were opened in October than for any other area of social welfare law, followed by debt and money.



¹ Currently 373 AdviceUK members subscribe to AdvicePro





2) Deficit budget data – October 2023

43.17% of cases opened in October 2023 had deficit budgets, in which there was insufficient income to meet essential expenditure. While this figure represents a slight fall of 0.62% from the previous month, it also shows that the much higher figure seen in September compared to previous months was not a one-off. The figure for October represents the second highest recorded since we started reporting this data.

The average monthly deficit budget in October was £368.16, a fall of £49.14 per month on the figure for September. This is much more consistent with the average monthly deficits reported on before September this year.

These figures are based on Standard Financial Statement data on AdvicePro.

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