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Abrahams MP, Labour's Shadow Work and Pensions Secretary, commenting on today's Universal Credit statistics, said:

"The

increase in the number of people on Universal Credit is worrying given the Government's chaotic handling of its roll out.

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Conservatives have finally listened to Labour and scrapped the premium phone helpline for claimants, now they need to listen to the calls of charities and councils and back Labour's motion today to immediately pause and fix the roll out of Universal Credit, before more people are pushed into rent arrears, poverty and homelessness."