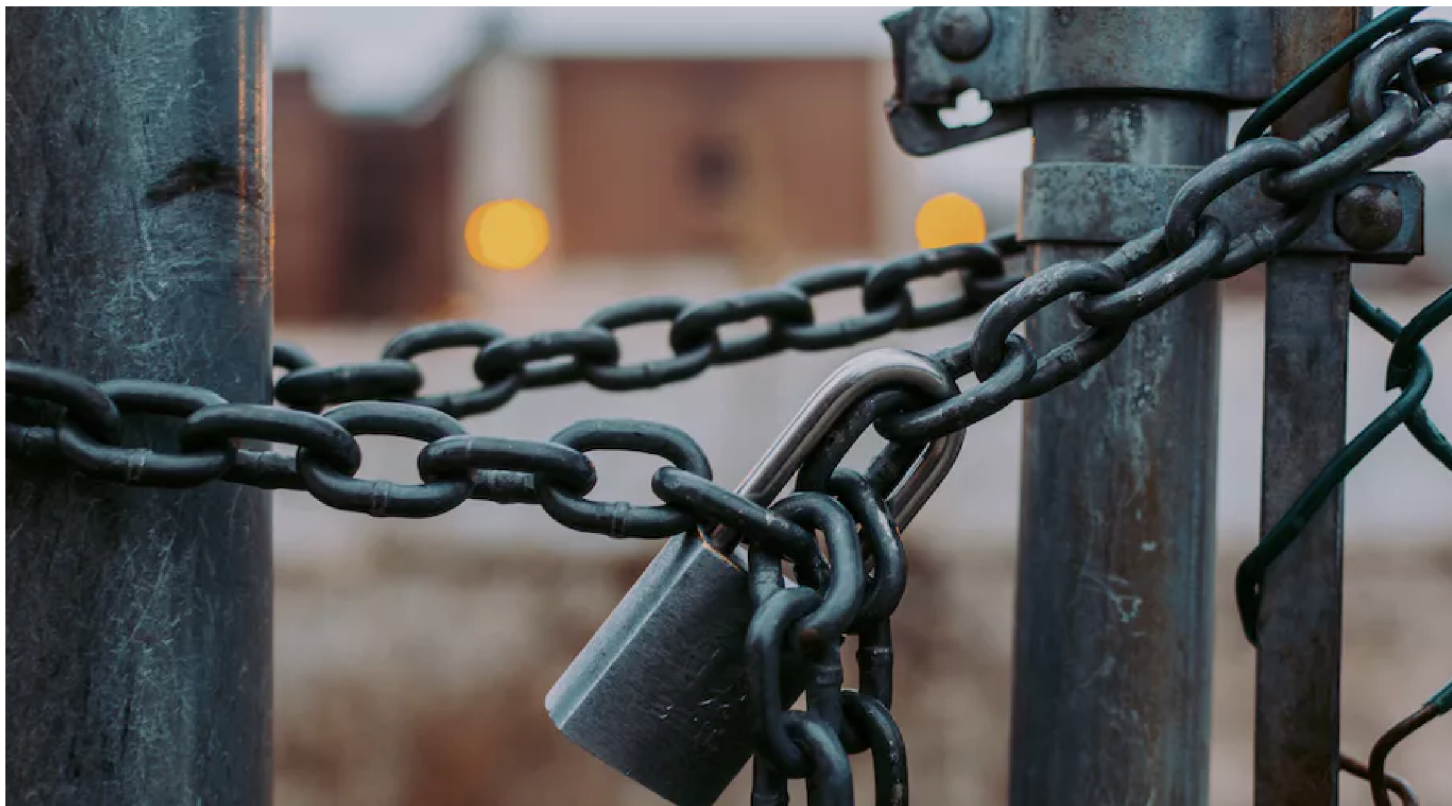


# Redundancies hit record high as Government 'fails to listen'



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GMB, Britain's general union, has responded to the 'catastrophic' UK job loss figures from the Office of National Statistics (ONS).

**According to the ONS**, the number of redundancies reached a record high in August to October 2020 – with 819,000 fewer employees on payrolls in November than at the start of the pandemic.

Government **U-turns have been devastating** for hospitality, aviation and public services, the union warns.





**Warren Kenny, Acting General Secretary, GMB said:**

"These job losses are catastrophic for families across the UK.

"Since the start of this pandemic we've warned Ministers that bold action and support from the Government was needed in order to protect jobs, secure livelihoods and save industries.

"Help from the Government throughout this crisis has often been haphazard – with constant U-turns, delays in policy changes and a lack of leadership.

"Government failings have been devastating for hospitality, aviation and public services.

"GMB calls on Ministers again to work closely with unions and put in place targeted support for the sectors that are most at risk. Our country cannot suffer another decade of poor growth and cuts to services."

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