

Word	PoS	FrC	LL	FrT	Word	PoS	FrC	LL	FrT		
service	NoC	68	-	753	298	figure	NoC	15	-	618	152
officers	NoC	5	-	752	143	reckon	Verb	178	+	616	30
sense	NoC	41	-	743	240	period	NoC	23	-	616	171
little	Adj	974	+	743	513	various	Adj	18	-	611	158
fuck	Verb	100	+	737	0	Greater	NoP-	1	-	610	104
problem	NoC	167	-	735	471	Oxford	NoP	14	-	608	146
position	NoC	26	-	728	201	do	Uncl	96	+	608	3
structure	NoC	4	-	721	131	provide	Verb	12	-	600	140
million	NoC	42	-	719	236	sort	NoC	473	-	599	875
colleagues	NoC	1	-	717	120	things	NoC	805	-	594	1308
stupid	Adj	172	+	713	21	education	NoC	27	-	589	176
dog	NoC	241	+	706	51	world	NoC	112	-	586	341
love	Verb	246	+	702	54	political	Adj	5	-	586	116
hundred	NoC	712	-	701	1235	decision	NoC	17	-	585	152
god	NoC	203	+	697	34	agreed	Verb	11	-	585	135
looks	Verb	377	+	697	123	sit	Verb	342	+	584	119
concerned	Adj	30	-	689	204	staff	NoC	40	-	582	205
gone	Verb	622	+	688	279	one	Num	2540	-	581	3372
door	NoC	414	+	688	146	department	NoC	14	-	581	144
cor	Int	116	+	687	5	process	NoC	8	-	578	125
major	Adj	15	-	683	165	European	Adj	5	-	577	114
indeed	Adv	49	-	682	245	future	NoC	19	-	576	154
issues	NoC	5	-	681	131	d'	Verb	145	+	575	19
thousand	NoC	302	-	678	663	cost	NoC	27	-	575	175
years	NoC	452	-	676	877	secretary	NoC	17	-	574	150
support	Verb	11	-	673	149	clear	Adj	42	-	573	207
basis	NoC	11	-	672	151	labour*	Adj	29	-	572	178
or	Conj	2800	-	670	3738	business	NoC	98	-	570	312
perhaps	Adv	247	-	668	579	bloke	NoC	140	+	570	18
figures	NoC	17	-	666	167	pound	NoC	490	+	568	215
social	Adj	22	-	665	179	support	NoC	22	-	566	161
congress	NoC	0	-	659	105	forward	Adv	50	-	561	221
bag	NoC	191	+	655	32	here	Adv	2003	+	561	1391
president	NoC	5	-	655	125	mean	Verb	2675	+	560	1960
urgh	Int	104	+	650	3	da	NoC	81	+	558	1
schools	NoC	24	-	649	182	about	Prep	2274	-	552	3042
me	Det	362	+	648	122	item	NoC	5	-	547	110
a bit	Adv	711	+	647	349	A / a	Let	235	-	541	521
available	Adj	18	-	640	163	housing	NoC	10	-	540	124
authorities	NoC	4	-	634	118	children	NoC	206	-	539	477
simply	Adv	15	-	631	154	statement	NoC	8	-	539	118
bye	Int	264	+	629	69	provision	NoC	1	-	539	90
buy	Verb	415	+	626	156	however	Adv	16	-	538	140
client	NoC	2	-	624	110	needs	NoC	7	-	538	114
big	Adj	772	+	623	397	product	NoC	2	-	536	97
M / m	Let	104	-	621	336	scheme	NoC	10	-	536	124
hey	Int	151	+	620	19	agree	Verb	47	-	534	210
						year	NoC	562	-	534	967
						G / g	Let	72	-	532	257
						tell	Verb	894	+	530	514
						financial	Adj	11	-	529	125
						employment	NoC	5	-	529	106
						aware	Adj	14	-	527	134
						industry	NoC	10	-	527	123
						greenbelt	NoC	0	-	526	86
						during	Prep	53	-	526	220
						effect	NoC	16	-	521	136
						evidence	NoC	13	-	518	129
						debate	NoC	2	-	513	93
						power	NoC	40	-	511	191
						certain	Adj	66	-	509	240
						police	NoC	77	-	507	260
						country	NoC	90	-	507	283
						like	Verb	1349	+	506	879
						chicken	NoC	99	+	506	7
						birthday	NoC	150	+	504	26

Interjections, discourse markers and fillers

Their use in conversation and in more public or formal speech

Most interjections (e.g. *oh, ah, hello*) are much more characteristic of everyday conversation than of more formal/public 'task-oriented' speech. However, the voiced hesitation fillers *er* and *erm* and the discourse markers *mhm* and *um* prove to be more characteristic of formal/public speech. We recognize *er, erm* and *um* as common thought pauses in careful public speech. *Mhm* is likely to be a type of feedback in formal dialogues both indicating understanding and inviting continuation. In conversation, people use *yeah* and *yes* much more, and overwhelmingly prefer the informal pronunciation *yeah* to *yes*. In formal speech, on the other hand, *yes* is slightly preferred to *yeah*.