

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: 2015-255

17 February 2015

Dear Trudy Baddams,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 20 January 2015.

You asked:

**“How many disabled have moved into full time work in 2013 /2014 (not including part time or zero hour contracts, nor workfare / work programmes, nor training.**

**How many disabled on sick note were moved into work fare / work programmes in 2013 / 2014.”**

In response to the first part of your query, we can confirm that DWP does not hold this information.

Regarding the second part of your query, we can confirm that the Department may hold some information falling within the description specified in your request. However, we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £600.

The appropriate limit has been specified in regulations and for central Government it is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) the Department is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.

Under section 16 of the FOIA we are obliged to assist you in providing options to narrow your request, by reforming or refocusing it, so that it will fall beneath the cost limit. Unfortunately in this case we are unable to provide any information on sick notes within cost, however other relevant information is provided below.

You may find it useful to know that the Department has published statistics on the Work Programme up to September 2014 and further information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/work-programme-statistics--2>

For example, to create a table on the number of Work Programme Job Outcomes by Payment Group and Disability Indicator, visit the Tabulation Tool via this link and follow the instructions below:

<http://tabulation-tool.dwp.gov.uk/WorkProg/tabtool.html>

1. Under Benefit/Scheme, select **Work Programme: Cumulative figures**
2. Under Analysis, select **Job Outcomes (Thousands)**
3. Under Row, select **Payment Group**
4. Under Column, select **Disability Indicator**
5. Under Subset, select **NONE**
6. Under Date, select the latest date available, which at the time of request was September 2014

Please note that Disability Indicator shows those **self-assessed** as having a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term effect on their ability to carry out normal day to day activities.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Fol Team

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)