DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

e-mail: freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

Our Ref: Fol 2034

Date: 16th May 2018

Dear Mark Lucas.

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request of 20 April 2018. You asked:

Please can you provide:

The number of claimants that are first disallowed PIP and who do not subsequently raise a Mandatory Reconsideration request or attempt to make a new claim.

DWP Response

Between the introduction of Personal Independence Payment (PIP) in April 2013 and the 31st January 2018, 858,600 claimants, who were either disallowed PIP pre-referral or post-referral to an Assessment Provider, did not raise a Mandatory Reconsideration (MR). This figure excludes claims which were withdrawn. Claimants have one month from the date of disallowance to request an MR so a small number of claimants from January 2018 who subsequently requested an MR will not be captured in this data.

Of these 858,600 claimants, 613,000 have not yet made a subsequent new claim for PIP, as of the end of January 2018. It should be noted that there is no time limit for disallowed claimants to make a new claim so it is possible that some claimants may make new claims in the future.

Data up to the end of January 2018 has been used to align with the reporting period currently published in the Department's Official Statistics on PIP here: https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/personal-independence-payment-april-2013-to-january-2018.

This is unpublished information from the PIP Computer System, covers Great Britain only and should be used with caution.

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

Yours sincerely,	
DWP Strategy Fol Team	

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