

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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

Our Ref: FOI2019/42054

Date: 5 December 2019

Dear Mr A Riddler,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 21 November 2019. You asked:

“Please could you provide statistics for the total number of PIP claims made during the period 2017-2018 and preliminary figures for 2018-2019. Could these be categorized by the following; number of cases rejected, number that were upheld at mandatory reconsideration, number that were referred to tribunal.”

DWP Response

I can confirm that the Department holds this information. However, the information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act because the information is reasonably accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain.

However, to be helpful you can find the information you seek in Tables 1A, 2A and 3A of the “Data tables: PIP experimental statistics tracking initial decisions following a PIP assessment through to mandatory reconsiderations or appeals” at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/personal-independence-payment-april-2013-to-july-2019>

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

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central FOI Team

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk or by writing to DWP, Central FOI Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

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

Web: ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745