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Introduction

Incapacity benefit replaced Sickness Benefit and Invalidity Benefit from 13 April 1995. It is paid to people who are assessed as being incapable of work and who meet the same contribution conditions as for Sickness Benefit.

There are three rates of Incapacity Benefit. There are two short-term rates: the lower rate (IBST(L)) is paid for the first 28 weeks of sickness and the higher rate (IBST(H)) for weeks 29 to 52. The long-term rate (IBLT) applies to people who have been sick for more than a year. The higher short-term rate and the long-term rate are treated as taxable income.

Increases are paid for a dependant who is caring for a child or where the spouse is aged 60 or over. Increases for children are paid with the short-term higher rate and with the long-term rate. An age addition is paid with the long-term rate at one of two rates depending on the age when incapacity began.

For the first 28 weeks of incapacity, people previously in work will be assessed on the 'own occupation' test - the claimant's ability to do their own job. Otherwise incapacity will be based on the 'personal capability assessment' (formerly 'all work' test) which assesses the ability to carry out a range of work-related activities. The test applies after 28 weeks of incapacity or from the start of the claim for people who did not previously have a job.

Certain people are exempt from the personal capability assessment. This includes, those in receipt of Disability Living Allowance care at a higher rate, those registered blind, or those suffering from a severe illness for example: tetraplegia, persistent vegetative state, dementia.

There were transitional provisions for people who were on Sickness or Invalidity Benefit on 12 April 1995. They were automatically transferred to Incapacity Benefit payable on the same basis as before. Former Invalidity Benefit recipients continue to get additional pension entitlement, but frozen at 1994 rates. If they were over state pension age on 12 April 1995 they may get Incapacity Benefit for up to 5 years beyond pension age. Benefit received by former Invalidity Benefit claimants is not subject to tax.

The statistics in this publication are based on 100% of cases from the Incapacity Benefit Computer System (OPSTRAT). Clerical cases are not included. (These on average number between 2,300 and 2,500 cases).

The publication provides numbers of Incapacity Benefit and Severe Disablement Allowance claimants for each quarter from February 1996 through to August 2000, with a more in-depth analysis for August 2000.



Glossary of terms and conventions

Glossary of terms

Claimant

“Claimants” include people who are in receipt of benefit and also those who have applied for the benefit and continue to submit medical evidence, but who either are not entitled because of failing the contribution conditions (in the case of IB), or have their benefit extinguished for reasons such as an overlap with another benefit, or because of hospitalisation (in the case of both IB and SDA).

Recipients

“Recipients” are people who are actually in receipt of payment.

Conventions

..	Not available
-	Nil or Negligible

Abbreviations

IB – Incapacity Benefit

SDA – Severe Disablement Allowance

Own occ. Test – ‘Own Occupation’ test (See Introduction)

PCA – Personal Capability Assessment (See Introduction)

IBST (L) – Incapacity benefit short-term, lower rate (See Introduction)

IBST (H) - Incapacity benefit short-term, higher rate (See Introduction)

IBLT - Incapacity benefit long-term (See Introduction)

Ex-IVB – Ex-Invalidity Benefit protected cases (See Introduction)

BAMS - Benefits Agency Medical Service



Incapacity Benefit and Severe Disablement Allowance - August 2000

At the end of August 2000 there were 99,368 **IB claimants**, UP 1,781 (2%) on the previous year. Of these, 70,176 were in receipt of the benefit, 1% down on twelve months earlier. The corresponding figure for Great Britain as a whole was down (2%) on the previous year.

Numbers claiming the different rates of the benefit were as follows (see table A1):

- Numbers on **short term lower rate** remained steady at 4,893.
- Numbers on **short term higher rate** rose to 5,164.
- Numbers on **long term rate** continued falling, reaching 60,654.

The numbers claiming the different rates of the benefit for Great Britain as a whole, mirrored that of Northern Ireland.

Total **terminations** averaged 2,288 per month during the latest quarter (see table A5); 12% of these were due to the 'Personal Capability Assessment' (formerly 'all work test') ⁽¹⁾. This figure is lower than that of Great Britain, which has a proportion of terminations of 21% due to the Personal Capability Assessment.

There has been a 66% decline in the number of recipients with Adult dependants since February 1996 (see table A6). To qualify for an increase in benefit, an adult dependant must now be caring for a child or have a wife or husband aged 60 or over.

At the end of August 2000 there were 19,897 IB claimants exempt from the Personal Capability Assessment, up 1% on the previous year.

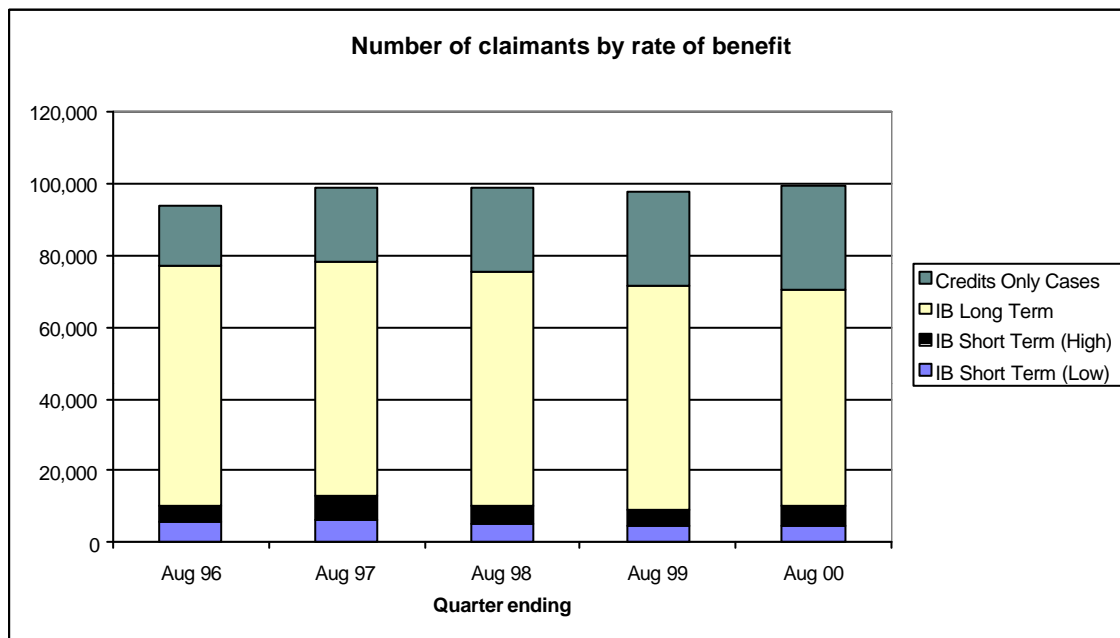
Numbers claiming SDA remain constant (see table C1). This is also the case for Great Britain as a whole. At the end of August 2000 there were 15,458 claimants and 15,355 recipients of SDA.

⁽¹⁾ The 'Personal Capability Assessment' (formerly 'all work test') is used to assess the ability of claimants to carry out a range of work-related activities.



A1 Incapacity Benefit claimants by rate of benefit and split between ex-IVB and other claimants

		Number of IB claimants						
					IBLT			
Quarter ending	Total	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	Total IBLT	Ex-IVB (protected)	Other IBLT	Credits only	
1996	Feb	95,525	5,505	4,624	68,526	66,272	2,254	16,870
	May	95,072	5,476	4,927	67,488	63,462	4,026	17,181
	Aug	94,218	5,462	5,026	66,711	60,713	5,998	17,019
	Nov	96,654	6,711	4,947	66,306	58,324	7,982	18,690
1997	Feb	97,683	7,063	4,846	66,280	56,388	9,892	19,494
	May	98,469	6,286	5,722	66,168	54,257	11,911	20,293
	Aug	98,956	6,228	6,527	65,309	51,613	13,696	20,892
	Nov	97,034	5,782	5,863	64,136	47,952	16,184	21,253
1998	Feb	99,141	5,946	5,338	65,753	47,499	18,254	22,104
	May	98,342	5,134	5,416	65,601	45,454	20,147	22,191
	Aug	98,779	5,050	5,333	64,872	43,510	21,362	23,524
	Nov	98,656	5,131	4,732	62,602	40,090	22,512	26,191
1999	Feb	98,637	5,133	4,328	63,534	39,753	23,781	25,642
	May	97,332	4,657	4,329	62,963	38,446	24,517	25,383
	Aug	97,587	4,855	4,512	62,154	36,858	25,296	26,066
	Nov	99,303	5,489	4,692	61,608	35,076	26,532	27,514
2000	Feb	98,296	5,477	4,555	60,670	33,422	27,248	27,594
	May	99,040	5,089	5,069	60,556	32,253	28,303	28,326
	Aug	99,368	4,893	5,164	60,654	31,402	29,252	28,657



A2 Incapacity Benefit claimants by rate of benefit and split between ex-IVB and other claimants

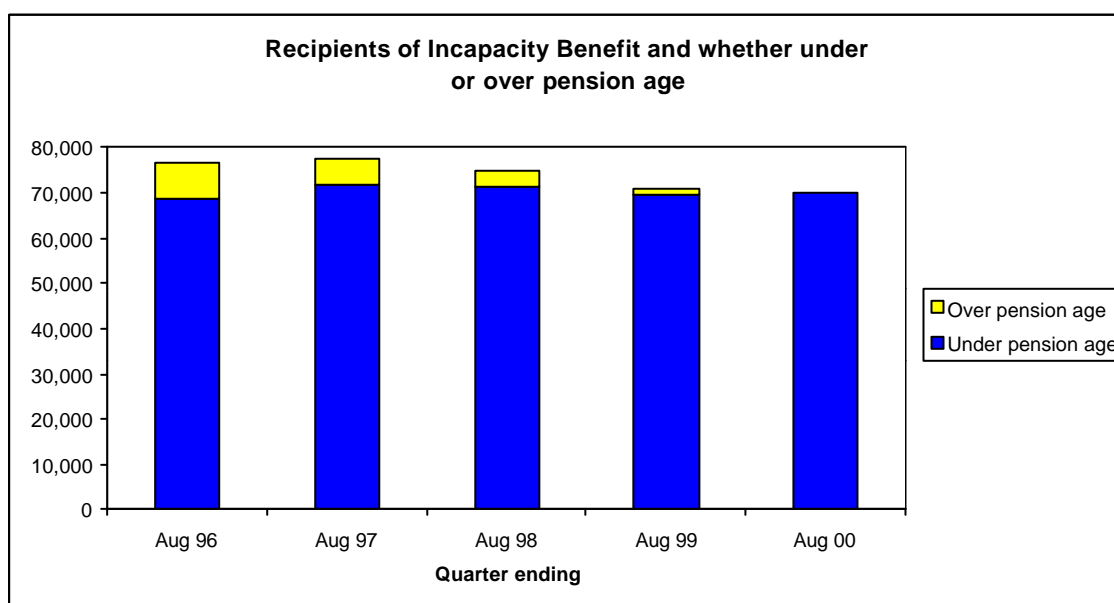
		Number of IB claimants					
		Total	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT		Credits only
Quarter ending	Ex-IVB (protected)				Other IBLT		
1996	Feb	95,525	5.8%	4.8%	69.4%	2.4%	17.7%
	May	95,072	5.8%	5.2%	66.8%	4.2%	18.1%
	Aug	94,218	5.8%	5.3%	64.4%	6.4%	18.1%
	Nov	96,654	6.9%	5.1%	60.3%	8.3%	19.3%
1997	Feb	97,683	7.2%	5.0%	57.7%	10.1%	20.0%
	May	98,469	6.4%	5.8%	55.1%	12.1%	20.6%
	Aug	98,956	6.3%	6.6%	52.2%	13.8%	21.1%
	Nov	97,034	6.0%	6.0%	49.4%	16.7%	21.9%
1998	Feb	99,141	6.0%	5.4%	47.9%	18.4%	22.3%
	May	98,342	5.2%	5.5%	46.2%	20.5%	22.6%
	Aug	98,779	5.1%	5.4%	44.0%	21.6%	23.8%
	Nov	98,656	5.2%	4.8%	40.6%	22.8%	26.5%
1999	Feb	98,637	5.2%	4.4%	40.3%	24.1%	26.0%
	May	97,332	4.8%	4.4%	39.5%	25.2%	26.1%
	Aug	97,587	5.0%	4.6%	37.8%	25.9%	26.7%
	Nov	99,303	5.5%	4.7%	35.3%	26.7%	27.7%
2000	Feb	98,296	5.6%	4.6%	34.0%	27.7%	28.1%
	May	99,040	5.1%	5.1%	32.6%	28.6%	28.6%
	Aug	99,368	4.9%	5.2%	31.6%	29.4%	28.8%



A3 Incapacity Benefit recipients by whether over pension age, rate of benefit and average amount in payment

Quarter ending	Number of recipients						Average amount in payment (£pw)				
	Total	Total under pension age	Total over pension age	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	All recipients	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	
1996	Feb	77,930	68,776	9,154	5,179	4,582	68,169	76.54	45.06	54.41	80.42
	May	77,193	68,638	8,555	5,140	4,879	67,174	78.67	46.88	56.69	82.70
	Aug	76,520	68,496	8,024	5,146	4,975	66,399	78.17	46.85	56.60	82.21
	Nov	77,082	69,667	7,415	6,191	4,896	65,995	77.27	46.72	56.31	81.69
1997	Feb	77,439	70,446	6,993	6,611	4,802	66,026	76.72	46.65	56.25	81.22
	May	77,496	71,105	6,391	5,901	5,669	65,926	77.81	47.64	57.26	82.28
	Aug	77,528	71,830	5,698	5,899	6,453	65,176	77.21	47.47	57.38	81.86
	Nov	75,340	71,664	3,676	5,529	5,812	63,999	77.28	47.50	57.45	81.65
1998	Feb	76,632	72,047	4,585	5,694	5,298	65,640	73.13	45.28	54.50	77.05
	May	75,771	71,715	4,056	4,910	5,382	65,479	79.00	49.33	59.19	82.85
	Aug	74,870	71,442	3,428	4,888	5,290	64,692	78.72	49.31	59.29	82.53
	Nov	72,118	70,056	2,062	5,005	4,699	62,414	78.19	49.45	59.11	81.93
1999	Feb	72,471	70,392	2,079	4,850	4,282	63,339	78.22	49.45	59.07	81.72
	May	71,394	69,565	1,829	4,314	4,276	62,804	80.46	50.85	61.13	83.81
	Aug	71,053	69,716	1,337	4,549	4,467	62,037	80.00	50.88	61.14	83.49
	Nov	71,171	70,524	647	5,021	4,655	61,495	79.25	50.79	60.93	82.96
2000	Feb	70,091	69,907	184	5,058	4,489	60,544	78.98	50.86	60.99	82.66
	May	70,128	70,091	37	4,715	4,996	60,417	79.53	51.27	61.84	83.20
	Aug	70,176	70,153	23	4,540	5,093	60,543	79.37	51.35	61.90	82.94

Note: Pension age = over age 65 for men and over age 60 for women
 Includes a small number of cases over pension age - incorrectly held or recorded on the computer system



A4 Incapacity Benefit recipients by whether over pension age and rate of benefit

		Number of recipients					
Quarter ending	Total	Total under pension age	Total over pension age	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	
1996	Feb	77,930	88.3%	11.7%	6.6%	5.9%	87.5%
	May	77,193	88.9%	11.1%	6.7%	6.3%	87.0%
	Aug	76,520	89.5%	10.5%	6.7%	6.5%	86.8%
	Nov	77,082	90.4%	9.6%	8.0%	6.4%	85.6%
1997	Feb	77,439	91.0%	9.0%	8.5%	6.2%	85.3%
	May	77,496	91.8%	8.2%	7.6%	7.3%	85.1%
	Aug	77,528	92.7%	7.3%	7.6%	8.3%	84.1%
	Nov	75,340	95.1%	4.9%	7.3%	7.7%	84.9%
1998	Feb	76,632	94.0%	6.0%	7.4%	6.9%	85.7%
	May	75,771	94.6%	5.4%	6.5%	7.1%	86.4%
	Aug	74,870	95.4%	4.6%	6.5%	7.1%	86.4%
	Nov	72,118	97.1%	2.9%	6.9%	6.5%	86.5%
1999	Feb	72,471	97.1%	2.9%	6.7%	5.9%	87.4%
	May	71,394	97.4%	2.6%	6.0%	6.0%	88.0%
	Aug	71,053	98.1%	1.9%	6.4%	6.3%	87.3%
	Nov	71,171	99.1%	0.9%	7.1%	6.5%	86.4%
2000	Feb	70,091	99.7%	0.3%	7.2%	6.4%	86.4%
	May	70,128	99.9%	0.1%	6.7%	7.1%	86.2%
	Aug	70,176	100.0%	0.0%	6.5%	7.3%	86.3%

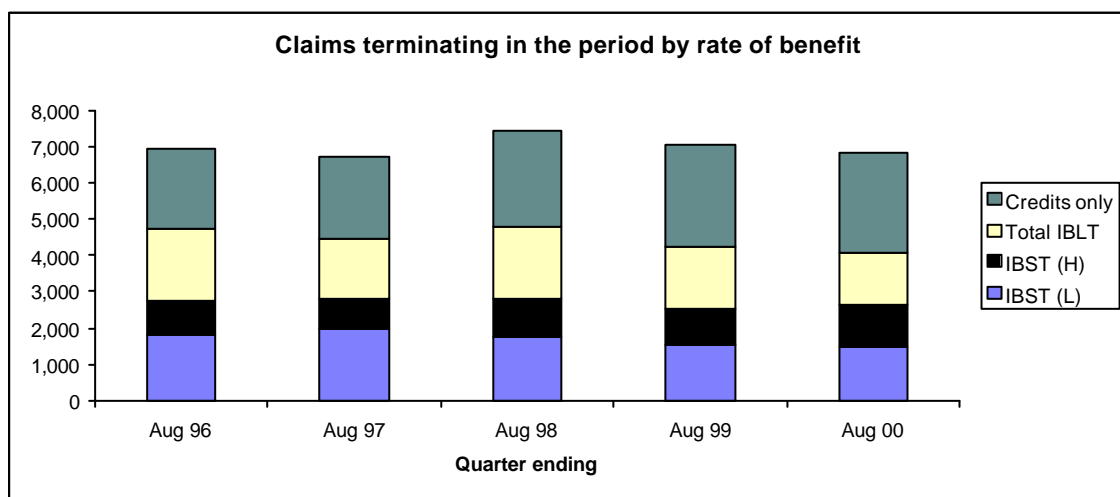
Note: Pension age = over age 65 for men and over age 60 for women



A5 Incapacity Benefit spells terminating by reason and rate of benefit

		Number of claims terminating by reason				Number of claims terminating by rate of benefit					
		Not incapable			IBLT						
Quarter ending	Total termin- ations	PCA*	Own occ. test	Other reason**	IBST (L)	IBST (H)	Total IBLT (protected)	Ex-IVB	Other IBLT	Credits only	
1996	Feb	7,585	2,158	44	5,383	2,561	1,131	1,644	1,404	240	2,249
	May	7,682	2,381	44	5,257	2,284	957	2,188	1,923	265	2,253
	Aug	6,960	2,617	50	4,293	1,808	937	2,007	1,632	375	2,208
	Nov	7,533	2,777	68	4,688	2,182	1,154	1,797	1,171	626	2,400
1997	Feb	6,802	2,399	50	4,353	2,431	939	1,356	880	476	2,076
	May	6,788	2,584	71	4,133	2,274	925	1,355	850	505	2,234
	Aug	6,719	2,468	37	4,214	1,954	870	1,625	1,041	584	2,270
	Nov	7,814	3,040	63	4,711	2,044	1,101	1,920	1,070	850	2,749
1998	Feb	6,528	2,406	28	4,094	1,785	843	1,660	827	833	2,240
	May	7,290	2,643	68	4,579	1,931	902	1,982	819	1,163	2,475
	Aug	7,466	3,055	53	4,358	1,759	1,016	2,018	699	1,319	2,673
	Nov	7,590	2,343	308	4,939	1,898	889	1,625	448	1,177	3,178
1999	Feb	7,758	1,672	1,171	4,915	2,099	1,003	1,582	404	1,178	3,074
	May	8,062	1,199	2,490	4,373	1,878	1,072	2,067	678	1,389	3,045
	Aug	7,081	862	2,250	3,969	1,536	998	1,709	570	1,139	2,838
	Nov	6,775	651	1,542	4,582	1,722	926	1,490	510	980	2,637
2000	Feb	8,316	644	3,195	4,477	1,934	1,071	2,188	714	1,474	3,123
	May	7,262	757	2,106	4,399	1,775	1,030	1,564	372	1,192	2,893
	Aug	6,865	804	2,252	3,809	1,496	1,148	1,445	280	1,165	2,776

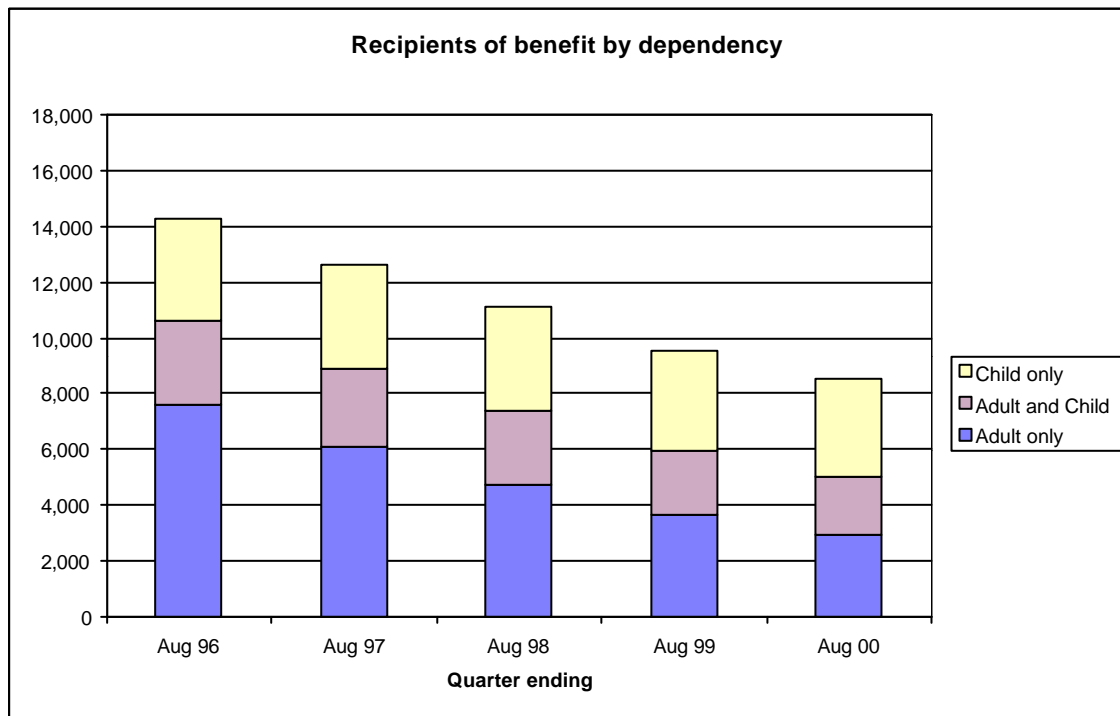
Notes: ** Includes "Failure to return questionnaire" and "Did not attend BAMS"
 Due to operational procedures a small number of All Work Test PCA terminations appear in "Other reason".
 * Personal Capability Assessment' formerly the 'all work test'



A6 Incapacity Benefit recipients by dependency

		Number of recipients by dependency					
Quarter ending	Total recipients	No dependants	Adult dep(s). only	Adult & child deps.	Child dep(s). only	Total children	
1996	Feb	77,930	62,521	8,523	3,221	3,665	13,694
	May	77,193	62,343	7,973	3,168	3,709	13,718
	Aug	76,520	62,201	7,556	3,044	3,719	13,412
	Nov	77,082	63,278	7,338	2,859	3,607	12,697
1997	Feb	77,439	64,032	6,976	2,815	3,616	12,627
	May	77,496	64,449	6,555	2,809	3,683	12,799
	Aug	77,528	64,919	6,056	2,809	3,744	12,888
	Nov	75,340	63,442	5,611	2,613	3,674	12,158
1998	Feb	76,632	64,823	5,445	2,625	3,739	12,350
	May	75,771	64,340	5,116	2,597	3,718	12,205
	Aug	74,870	63,766	4,752	2,593	3,759	12,366
	Nov	72,118	61,858	4,205	2,389	3,666	11,622
1999	Feb	72,471	62,262	4,170	2,376	3,663	11,555
	May	71,394	61,540	3,893	2,346	3,615	11,413
	Aug	71,053	61,526	3,651	2,283	3,593	11,222
	Nov	71,171	62,099	3,528	2,112	3,432	10,434
2000	Feb	70,091	61,343	3,289	2,069	3,390	10,270
	May	70,128	61,525	3,053	2,085	3,465	10,482
	Aug	70,176	61,682	2,940	2,071	3,483	10,506

Note: Table does not reflect dependency status of all IB claimants, but only those who have declared dependants for benefit purposes.



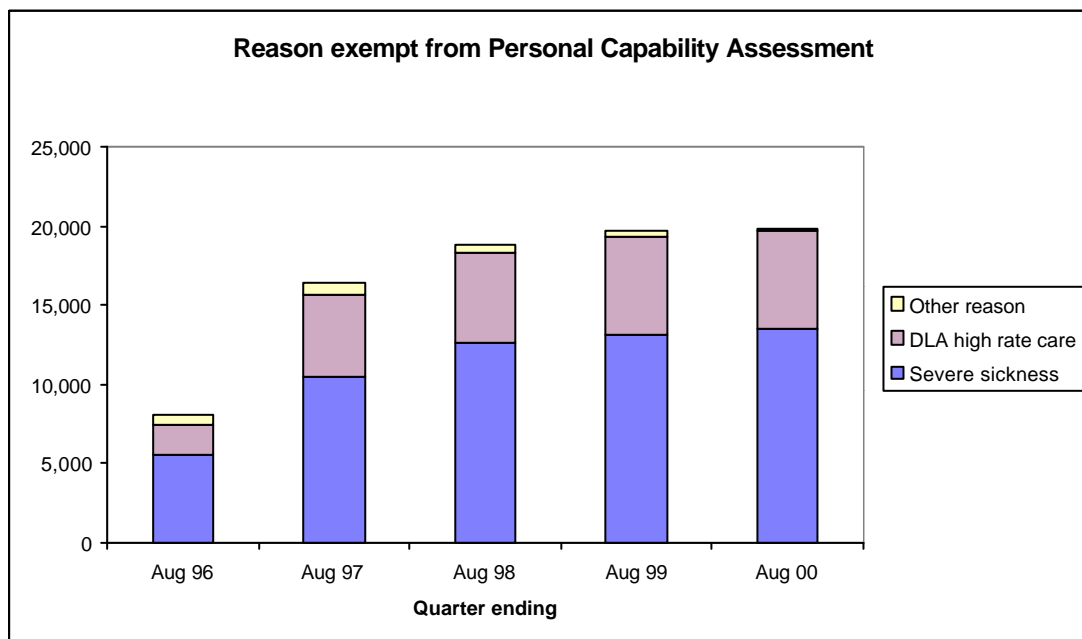
A7 Incapacity Benefit claimants by reason exempt from Personal Capability Assessment

Claimants exempt from PCA by reason				
Quarter ending	Total exempt ⁽¹⁾	Severe sickness	DLA high rate care	Other reason ⁽²⁾
1996 Feb	5,491	3,761	1,181	549
May	7,245	4,833	1,775	637
Aug	8,083	5,507	1,970	606
Nov	9,717	6,461	2,632	624
1997 Feb	11,033	7,251	3,155	627
May	14,030	8,877	4,390	763
Aug	16,460	10,474	5,205	781
Nov	17,458	11,309	5,494	655
1998 Feb	18,144	11,840	5,639	665
May	18,561	12,275	5,677	609
Aug	18,832	12,660	5,650	522
Nov	19,504	13,268	5,839	397
1999 Feb	19,412	13,146	5,874	392
May	19,254	12,980	5,912	362
Aug	19,685	13,110	6,243	332
Nov	19,981	13,406	6,323	252
2000 Feb	19,906	13,425	6,269	212
May	19,897	13,440	6,287	170
Aug	19,897	13,452	6,303	142

Notes: From April 2000 the Personal Capability Assessment replaced the 'All Work Test'

(1) excludes exempt because claimant over 58 and in receipt of IVB since Dec 93

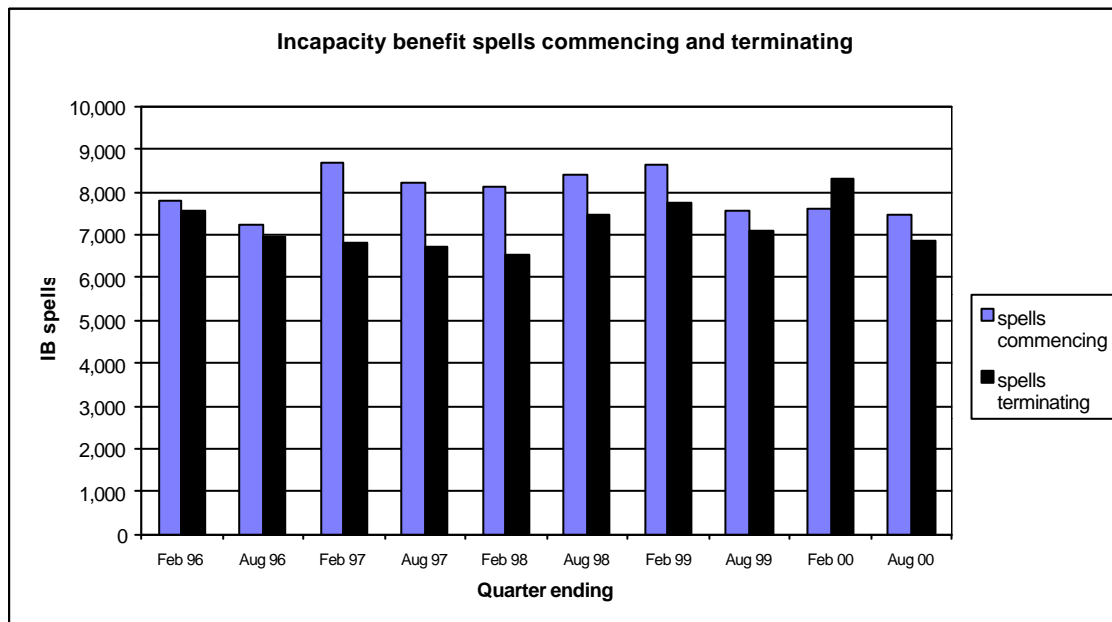
(2) other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports



A8 Incapacity Benefit spells commencing and terminating in the quarter

	Quarter ending	Spells Commencing	Spells Terminating	Average duration of spells (days)	Ratio of new claims to terminations
1996	Feb	7,785	7,585	220	1.03
	May	7,876	7,682	292	1.03
	Aug	7,250	6,960	330	1.04
	Nov	10,893	7,533	290	1.45
1997	Feb	8,685	6,802	268	1.28
	May	8,050	6,788	287	1.19
	Aug	8,238	6,719	351	1.23
	Nov	8,676	7,814	370	1.11
1998	Feb	8,133	6,528	379	1.25
	May	7,460	7,290	394	1.02
	Aug	8,387	7,466	398	1.12
	Nov	9,519	7,590	337	1.25
1999	Feb	8,656	7,758	345	1.12
	May	7,933	8,062	434	0.98
	Aug	7,566	7,081	445	1.07
	Nov	8,716	6,775	428	1.29
2000	Feb	7,618	8,316	494	0.92
	May	7,834	7,262	427	1.08
	Aug	7,459	6,865	420	1.09

Note: Average duration is an approximate measure because of the way date of claim was recorded when IVB claimants moved to the new IB computer system.



**B1 Number of claimants of Incapacity
Benefit at 31 August 2000, by age, sex,
and rate of benefit**

Sheet 1

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT			Credits Only
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB (protected)	Other IBLT	
All Persons							
All Ages	99,368	4,893	5,164	60,654	31,402	29,252	28,657
Under 20	1,109	8	3	0	0	0	1098
20-24	3,771	353	209	306	0	306	2903
25-29	5,554	606	416	1899	269	1630	2633
30-34	8,187	639	563	4054	1373	2681	2931
35-39	10,071	533	656	5521	2507	3014	3361
40-44	10,913	508	571	6453	3249	3204	3381
45-49	12,260	547	608	7558	4078	3480	3547
50-54	15,902	645	816	10445	5673	4772	3996
55-59	18,988	704	875	13838	7791	6047	3571
60-64	12,528	348	447	10566	6450	4116	1167
65 and over	85	2	0	14	12	2	69
Men							
All Ages	60,490	3,282	3,176	37,067	19,263	17,804	16,965
Under 20	497	3	1	0	0	0	493
20-24	2,082	193	114	135	0	135	1640
25-29	2,967	311	185	732	72	660	1739
30-34	4,180	362	259	1561	419	1142	1998
35-39	5,447	350	372	2452	924	1528	2273
40-44	6,063	370	350	3369	1542	1827	1974
45-49	6,846	380	386	4175	2163	2012	1905
50-54	8,805	459	487	5846	3103	2743	2013
55-59	11,159	504	576	8224	4583	3641	1855
60-64	12,379	348	446	10560	6446	4114	1025
65 and over	65	2	0	13	11	2	50
Women							
All Ages	38,878	1,611	1,988	23,587	12,139	11,448	11,692
Under 20	612	5	2	0	0	0	605
20-24	1,689	160	95	171	0	171	1263
25-29	2,587	295	231	1167	197	970	894
30-34	4,007	277	304	2493	954	1539	933
35-39	4,624	183	284	3069	1583	1486	1088
40-44	4,850	138	221	3084	1707	1377	1407
45-49	5,414	167	222	3383	1915	1468	1642
50-54	7,097	186	329	4599	2570	2029	1983
55-59	7,829	200	299	5614	3208	2406	1716
60 and over	169	0	1	7	5	2	161

* includes SDA cases where incapacity has not yet been decided.

Includes a small number of cases over pension age - incorrectly held or recorded on the computer system



**B1 Number of recipients of Incapacity
Benefit at 31 August 2000, by age, sex,
and rate of benefit**

Sheet 2

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT		
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB (protected)	Other IBLT
All Persons						
All Ages	70,176	4,540	5,093	60,543	31,376	29,167
Under 20	10	7	3	0	0	0
20-24	838	329	205	304	0	304
25-29	2,856	551	407	1898	269	1629
30-34	5,180	580	556	4044	1370	2674
35-39	6,638	486	646	5506	2502	3004
40-44	7,465	466	561	6438	3245	3193
45-49	8,646	509	598	7539	4073	3466
50-54	11,830	600	805	10425	5670	4755
55-59	15,354	667	868	13819	7788	6031
60-64	11,343	343	444	10556	6447	4109
65 and over	16	2	0	14	12	2
Men						
All Ages	43,108	2,997	3,124	36,987	19,246	17,741
Under 20	3	2	1	0	0	0
20-24	426	178	114	134	0	134
25-29	1,175	266	178	731	72	659
30-34	2,125	316	253	1556	419	1137
35-39	3,115	308	365	2442	922	1520
40-44	4,036	335	345	3356	1539	1817
45-49	4,889	350	377	4162	2158	2004
50-54	6,731	424	477	5830	3100	2730
55-59	9,257	473	571	8213	4582	3631
60-64	11,336	343	443	10550	6443	4107
65 and over	15	2	0	13	11	2
Women						
All Ages	27,068	1,543	1,969	23,556	12,130	11,426
Under 20	7	5	2	0	0	0
20-24	412	151	91	170	0	170
25-29	1,681	285	229	1167	197	970
30-34	3,055	264	303	2488	951	1537
35-39	3,523	178	281	3064	1580	1484
40-44	3,429	131	216	3082	1706	1376
45-49	3,757	159	221	3377	1915	1462
50-54	5,099	176	328	4595	2570	2025
55-59	6,097	194	297	5606	3206	2400
60 and over	8	0	1	7	5	2



**B2 Number of terminations of Incapacity Benefit
in the period 1 June 2000 to 31 August 2000,
by rate of benefit and reason**

	All cases	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT			Credits only
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB IBLT	Other IBLT	
All Persons	6,865	1,496	1,148	1,445	280	1,165	2,776
Closed Certificate	2,311	1117	354	155	20	135	685
Death of Claimant	239	7	13	166	88	78	53
At request of claimant	386	122	55	45	11	34	164
Failure to attend medical	288	10	26	43	4	39	209
Failure to provide information	254	12	28	17	4	13	197
Not incapable Own Occ Test	2,252	101	418	728	118	610	1005
Not incapable PCA	804	41	155	212	20	192	396
Return to work	193	44	86	63	13	50	0
Other	138	42	13	16	2	14	67



**B3 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000, by rate of benefit
and District Council**

Sheet 1

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	Credits only	Working age Population*	All IB as % of population
Claimants							
All Persons							
All Cases	99,368	4,428	4,643	55,278	26,298	1,022,481	9.72%
Ards	3,333	190	182	2209	752	44,670	7.46%
Belfast	19,436	824	845	10839	6928	166,136	11.70%
Castlereagh	2,790	132	158	1976	524	40,124	6.95%
Down	3,291	150	179	2069	893	38,293	8.59%
Lisburn	5,039	255	234	3097	1453	68,055	7.40%
North Down	2,538	131	141	1715	551	45,581	5.57%
Antrim	2,219	98	122	1362	637	32,666	6.79%
Ballymena	2,698	126	176	1697	699	36,575	7.38%
Ballymoney	1,479	86	104	916	373	15,610	9.47%
Carrickfergus	1,613	77	84	1143	309	23,309	6.92%
Coleraine	2,552	123	147	1540	742	34,200	7.46%
Cookstown	2,590	126	136	1588	740	19,114	13.55%
Larne	1,525	79	85	974	387	18,760	8.13%
Magherafelt	2,388	134	122	1569	563	23,034	10.37%
Moyle	883	46	38	521	278	9,213	9.58%
Newtownabbey	3,731	183	198	2469	881	50,376	7.41%
Armagh	3,080	194	158	2006	722	32,260	9.55%
Banbridge	2,258	132	140	1514	472	25,081	9.00%
Craigavon	5,476	266	287	3718	1205	48,180	11.37%
Dungannon	3,184	177	204	1853	950	28,973	10.99%
Newry & Mourne	6,010	339	312	3365	1994	52,276	11.50%
Derry	8,184	313	339	4653	2879	64,690	12.65%
Fermanagh	2,517	164	164	1373	816	33,939	7.42%
Limavady	1,833	83	88	1112	550	19,637	9.33%
Omagh	3,120	140	163	1923	894	28,855	10.81%
Strabane	3,009	166	143	1767	933	22,874	13.15%
Missing postcode	2,592	159	215	1686	532

* = Mid 1999 estimates. Population of working age. Namely 16-59 for Females, 16-64 for Males.

.. = Not available

Note: Approximately 3% of records on the August 2000 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.



**B3 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000, by rate of benefit
and District Council**

Sheet 2

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	Working age Population*	All IB as % of population
Recipients						
All Persons						
All Cases	70,176	4,238	4,742	57,100	1,022,481	6.86%
Ards	2,573	187	182	2204	44,670	5.76%
Belfast	12,398	744	832	10822	166,136	7.46%
Castlereagh	2,261	128	158	1975	40,124	5.64%
Down	2,380	134	177	2069	38,293	6.22%
Lisburn	3,568	241	232	3095	68,055	5.24%
North Down	1,977	126	140	1711	45,581	4.34%
Antrim	1,577	94	121	1362	32,666	4.83%
Ballymena	1,992	121	176	1695	36,575	5.45%
Ballymoney	1,095	78	102	915	15,610	7.01%
Carrickfergus	1,297	73	83	1141	23,309	5.56%
Coleraine	1,796	116	143	1537	34,200	5.25%
Cookstown	1,835	119	134	1582	19,114	9.60%
Larne	1,130	72	85	973	18,760	6.02%
Magherafelt	1,813	128	121	1564	23,034	7.87%
Moyle	599	43	35	521	9,213	6.50%
Newtownabbey	2,834	170	198	2466	50,376	5.63%
Armagh	2,341	182	158	2001	32,260	7.26%
Banbridge	1,766	123	134	1509	25,081	7.04%
Craigavon	4,235	244	283	3708	48,180	8.79%
Dungannon	2,213	165	201	1847	28,973	7.64%
Newry & Mourne	3,978	310	308	3360	52,276	7.61%
Derry	5,254	281	331	4642	64,690	8.12%
Fermanagh	1,686	153	161	1372	33,939	4.97%
Limavady	1,273	78	86	1109	19,637	6.48%
Omagh	2,209	128	161	1920	28,855	7.66%
Strabane	2,047	148	138	1761	22,874	8.95%
Missing postcode	2,049	154	213	1682

* = Mid 1999 estimates. Population of working age. Namely 16-59 for Females, 16-64 for Males.

.. = Not available

Note: Approximately 3% of records on the August 2000 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.



**B4 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000 by rate of benefit, dependency and sex**

Sheet 1

	All cases	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT		
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB IBLT	Other IBLT
All Persons						
All Cases	70,176	4,540	5,093	60,543	31,376	29,167
No Dependants	61,682	4,406	4,763	52,513	25,872	26,641
Adult Dependant only	2,940	134	33	2,773	2,513	260
Adult and:						
1 child	945	0	55	890	513	377
2 children	620	0	55	565	308	257
3 children	331	0	25	306	144	162
4 children	128	0	12	116	64	52
5 or more children	47	0	3	44	22	22
No Adult and:						
1 child	1,591	0	49	1,542	907	635
2 children	1,108	0	57	1,051	620	431
3 children	516	0	28	488	260	228
4 children	179	0	9	170	99	71
5 or more children	89	0	4	85	54	31
Total number of children	10,506	0	607	9,899	5,555	4,344

Note: Table does not reflect actual dependency status of all IB claimants, but only those who have declared dependants for benefit purposes.



**B4 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000 by rate of benefit, dependency and sex**

Sheet 2

	All cases	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT		
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB IBLT	Other IBLT
Men						
All Cases	43,108	2,997	3,124	36,987	19,246	17,741
No Dependants	36,068	2,867	2,852	30,349	14,605	15,744
Adult Dependant only	2,890	130	32	2,728	2,473	255
Adult and:						
1 child	912	0	52	860	495	365
2 children	582	0	54	528	287	241
3 children	308	0	23	285	131	154
4 children	119	0	12	107	59	48
5 or more children	46	0	3	43	22	21
No Adult and:						
1 child	1,006	0	33	973	579	394
2 children	673	0	36	637	360	277
3 children	334	0	16	318	150	168
4 children	119	0	7	112	58	54
5 or more children	51	0	4	47	27	20
Total number of children	7,837	0	494	7,343	3,944	3,399

Note: Table does not reflect actual dependency status of all IB claimants, but only those who have declared dependants for benefit purposes.



**B4 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000 by rate of benefit, dependency and sex**

Sheet 3

	All cases	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT		
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB IBLT	Other IBLT
Women						
All Cases	27,068	1,543	1,969	23,556	12,130	11,426
No Dependants	25,614	1,539	1,911	22,164	11,267	10,897
Adult Dependant only	50	4	1	45	40	5
Adult and:						
1 child	33	0	3	30	18	12
2 children	38	0	1	37	21	16
3 children	23	0	2	21	13	8
4 children	9	0	0	9	5	4
5 or more children	1	0	0	1	0	1
No Adult and:						
1 child	585	0	16	569	328	241
2 children	435	0	21	414	260	154
3 children	182	0	12	170	110	60
4 children	60	0	2	58	41	17
5 or more children	38	0	0	38	27	11
Total number of children	2,669	0	113	2,556	1,611	945

Note: Table does not reflect actual dependency status of all IB claimants, but only those who have declared dependants for benefit purposes.



**B5 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at 31 August 2000
by rate of benefit, and weekly amounts in payment**

	All Recipients	Total weekly amount paid £	Average weekly amount paid £
All Persons			
All IB Rates	70,176	5,569,562	79.37
IBST(L)	4,540	233,151	51.35
IBST(H)	5,093	315,252	61.90
IBLT (All)	60,543	5,021,159	82.94
IBLT (Ex-IVB)	31,376	2,831,447	90.24
Invalidity Allowance	19,131	186,310	9.74
Additional Pension	22,966	368,466	16.04
Graduated Retirement Benefit	1	2	1.67
IBLT (Other)	29,167	2,189,712	75.07
Incapacity Age Addition	12,257	131,213	10.71



**B6 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000 by rate of benefit and
reason exempt from the Personal Capability Assessment**

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST (H)	IBLT
All Persons	19,897	101	401	19,395
Severe Sickness	13,452	67	302	13,083
DLA High Care rate	6,303	34	99	6,170
Other reason ⁽¹⁾	142	0	0	142

⁽¹⁾ other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports



**B7 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000, by Diagnosis Group***

	All IB	% of all IB	Men	Women
All Cases	99,368	100.0%	60,490	38,878
Claimants without any diagnosis code on the system	149	0.1%	96	53
Certain infectious and Parasitic Diseases (A00 - B99)	917	0.9%	565	352
Neoplasms (C00 - D48)	979	1.0%	504	475
Diseases of the Blood and Blood forming organs and certain diseases involving the immune mechanism (D50 - D89)	269	0.3%	124	145
Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases (E00 -E90)	1,333	1.3%	870	463
Mental and Behavioural Disorders (F00 - F99)	28,956	29.1%	15,598	13,358
Diseases of the Nervous System (G00 - G99)	3,815	3.8%	2,154	1,661
Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa (H00 -H59)	448	0.5%	351	97
Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process (H60 - H95)	352	0.4%	228	124
Disease of the Circulatory System (I00 - I99)	9,539	9.6%	7,665	1,874
Diseases of the Respiratory System (J00 - J99)	3,205	3.2%	1,986	1,219
Diseases of the Digestive System (K00 - K93)	1,700	1.7%	1,129	571
Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous System (L00 - L99)	1,116	1.1%	689	427
Diseases of the Musculoskeletal system and Connective Tissue (M00 - M99)	21,740	21.9%	12,970	8,770
Diseases of the Genitourinary System (N00 - N99)	806	0.8%	309	497
Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium (O00 - O99)	872	0.9%	3	869
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (P00 - P96)	4	0.0%	0	4
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities (Q00 - Q99)	98	0.1%	57	41
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified (R00 - R99)	15,044	15.1%	9,058	5,986
Injury, Poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00 - U22)	7,089	7.1%	5,478	1,611
Factors influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services (Z00 - Z99)	937	0.9%	656	281

*Diagnosis Group is taken from ICD10 published by the World Health Organisation.



**B8 Number of claimants of Incapacity
Benefit at 31 August 2000, by age, sex,
and duration of benefit**

	All IB	Under 3 months	3 to under 6 months	6 to under 12 months	1 to under 2 years	2 to under 4 years	4 years and over
All Persons							
All Ages	99,368	6,400	6,071	8,936	12,267	19,333	46,361
Under 20	1,109	333	267	283	165	61	0
20-24	3,771	675	597	656	808	744	291
25-29	5,554	704	629	783	1001	1307	1130
30-34	8,187	750	709	975	1241	1828	2684
35-39	10,071	689	723	1085	1380	2056	4138
40-44	10,913	707	656	1072	1459	2222	4797
45-49	12,260	708	703	1073	1459	2344	5973
50-54	15,902	797	769	1270	1854	3024	8188
55-59	18,988	743	737	1212	1884	3591	10821
60-64	12,528	294	281	524	1014	2153	8262
65 and over	85	0	0	3	2	3	77
Men							
All Ages	60,490	3,913	3,685	5,563	7,515	11,874	27,940
Under 20	497	167	119	105	75	31	0
20-24	2,082	380	347	382	433	395	145
25-29	2,967	408	359	433	567	671	529
30-34	4,180	437	433	556	706	944	1104
35-39	5,447	422	434	725	831	1180	1855
40-44	6,063	434	405	666	849	1284	2425
45-49	6,846	427	401	640	836	1351	3191
50-54	8,805	481	435	756	1066	1733	4334
55-59	11,159	464	471	773	1140	2155	6156
60-64	12,379	293	281	524	1010	2128	8143
65 and over	65	0	0	3	2	2	58
Women							
All Ages	38,878	2,487	2,386	3,373	4,752	7,459	18,421
Under 20	612	166	148	178	90	30	0
20-24	1,689	295	250	274	375	349	146
25-29	2,587	296	270	350	434	636	601
30-34	4,007	313	276	419	535	884	1580
35-39	4,624	267	289	360	549	876	2283
40-44	4,850	273	251	406	610	938	2372
45-49	5,414	281	302	433	623	993	2782
50-54	7,097	316	334	514	788	1,291	3854
55-59	7,829	279	266	439	744	1,436	4665
60 and over	169	1	0	0	4	26	138

* includes SDA cases where incapacity has not yet been decided.

Includes a small number of cases over pension age - incorrectly held or recorded on the computer system



**B9 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000, by rate of benefit
and Government Office Region**

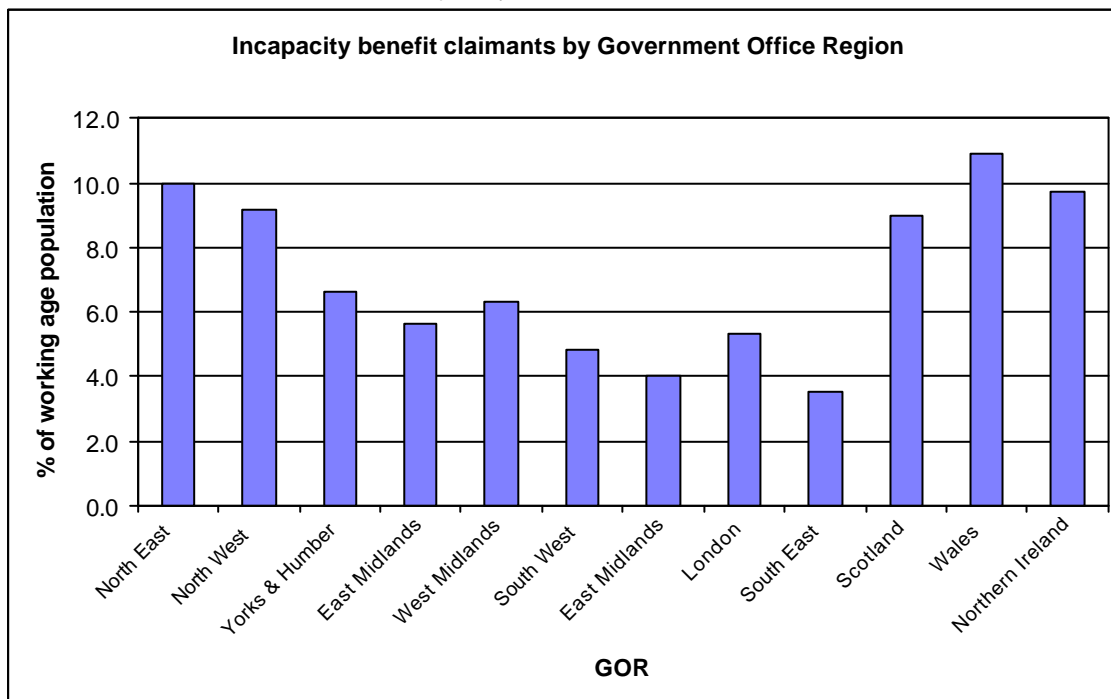
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Thousands

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	Credits only	All IB as % of working age population
All Cases (GB)	2,286.2	93.3	90.8	1,323.0	779.1	6.4
North East	157.2	6.8	7.1	98.1	45.2	10.0
North West	387.5	15.0	13.7	228.1	130.7	9.2
Yorks & Humber	204.0	8.8	8.4	122.6	64.1	6.6
East Midlands	145.0	5.9	6.5	91.7	40.9	5.6
West Midlands	204.9	8.4	10.0	121.0	65.5	6.3
South West	142.6	6.5	5.9	80.6	49.6	4.8
East Midlands	132.6	6.6	6.0	75.6	44.3	4.0
London	252.3	7.7	6.4	106.2	131.9	5.3
South East	175.0	7.3	7.2	97.1	63.4	3.5
England	1,801.0	73.0	71.3	1,021.0	635.7	5.9
Scotland	285.8	12.3	11.9	170.1	91.4	9.0
Wales	191.0	7.9	7.5	124.2	51.4	10.9
Northern Ireland	99.4	4.9	5.2	60.7	28.7	9.7
Overseas	8.4	-	0.2*	7.7	0.5	..

Mid 1999 estimates. Population of working age. Namely 16-59 for Females, 16-64 for Males.

*Figures under 500 are subject to a high degree of sampling error and should only be used as a guide to the current situation as GB data are taken from a 5% extract of the computer system.



**B9 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 August 2000, by rate of benefit
and Government Office Region**

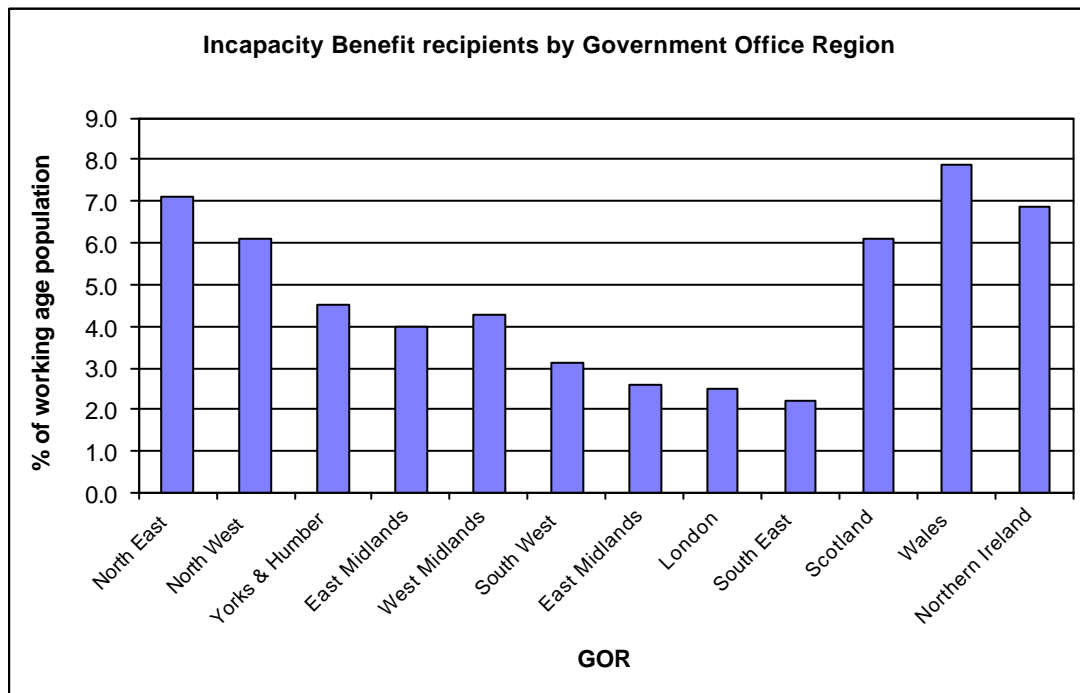
Sheet 2

Thousands

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	All IB as % of working age population
All Cases (GB)	1,501.8	90.4	90.1	1,321.3	4.2
North East	111.7	6.6	7.1	98.0	7.1
North West	255.9	14.6	13.6	227.7	6.1
Yorks & Humber	139.1	8.4	8.3	122.4	4.5
East Midlands	103.7	5.6	6.5	91.6	4.0
West Midlands	138.9	8.1	9.9	120.9	4.3
South West	92.5	6.2	5.8	80.5	3.1
East Midlands	87.9	6.5	5.9	75.4	2.6
London	120.0	7.5	6.4	106.1	2.5
South East	111.2	7.1	7.2	96.9	2.2
England	1,160.9	70.7	70.8	1,019.5	3.8
Scotland	193.7	12.0	11.8	170.0	6.1
Wales	139.2	7.7	7.4	124.1	7.9
Northern Ireland	70.2	4.5	5.1	60.5	6.9
Overseas	7.9	-	0.2*	7.7	..

Mid 1999 estimates. Population of working age. Namely 16-59 for Females, 16-64 for Males.

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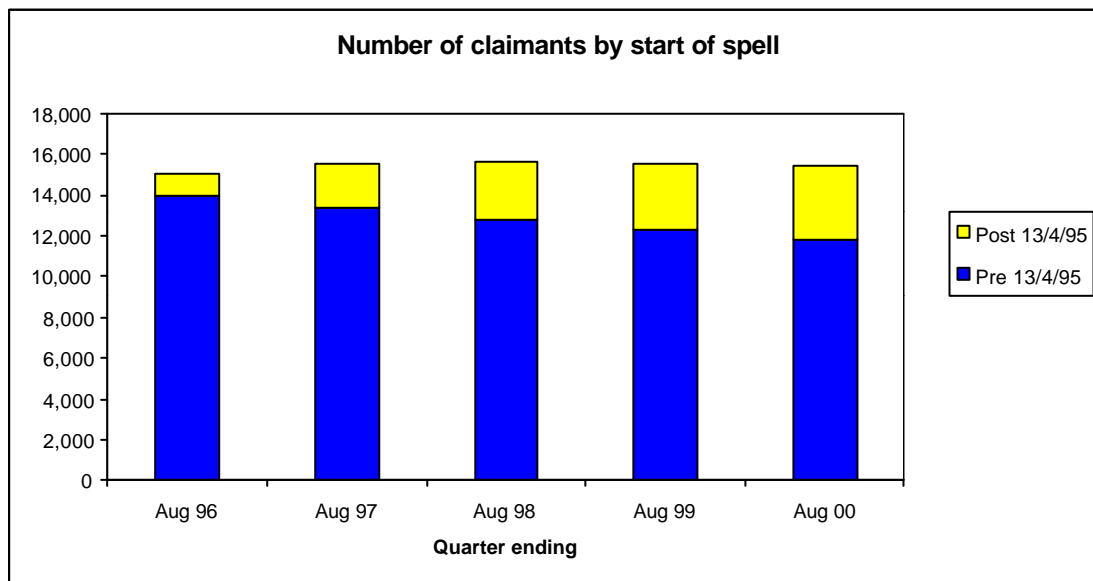


C1 Severe Disablement Allowance claimants and recipients by start of spell

Year	Quarter ending	SDA claimants ⁽¹⁾			SDA recipients ⁽¹⁾		
		Total	Pre 13th ⁽²⁾	Post 13th ⁽²⁾	Total	Pre 13th ⁽²⁾	Post 13th ⁽²⁾
			April '95 cases	April '95 cases		April '95 cases	April '95 cases
1996	Feb	14,812	14,185	627	14,684	14,101	583
	May	14,901	14,049	852	14,784	13,981	803
	Aug	15,045	13,922	1,123	14,892	13,854	1,038
	Nov	15,239	13,770	1,469	15,077	13,702	1,375
1997	Feb	15,306	13,634	1,672	15,177	13,582	1,595
	May	15,400	13,506	1,894	15,278	13,457	1,821
	Aug	15,504	13,350	2,154	15,376	13,312	2,064
	Nov	15,559	13,216	2,343	15,449	13,191	2,258
1998	Feb	15,579	13,068	2,511	15,470	13,041	2,429
	May	15,589	12,939	2,650	15,502	12,915	2,587
	Aug	15,612	12,799	2,813	15,498	12,767	2,731
	Nov	15,689	12,599	3,090	15,520	12,573	2,947
1999	Feb	15,629	12,517	3,112	15,514	12,497	3,017
	May	15,593	12,430	3,163	15,509	12,415	3,094
	Aug	15,571	12,330	3,241	15,494	12,308	3,186
	Nov	15,507	12,180	3,327	15,407	12,158	3,249
2000	Feb	15,463	12,028	3,435	15,366	12,011	3,355
	May	15,470	11,904	3,566	15,352	11,886	3,466
	Aug	15,458	11,795	3,663	15,355	11,772	3,583

(1): Claimants include all those on the benefit, while recipients only include claimants who are in receipt of payment

(2): Incapacity Benefit was introduced on 13th April 1995, replacing Sickness and Invalidity benefit



C2 Severe Disablement Allowance claimants and recipients by start of spell

	Quarter ending	SDA claimants ⁽¹⁾			SDA recipients ⁽¹⁾		
		Total	Pre 13th ⁽²⁾	Post 13th ⁽²⁾	Total	Pre 13th ⁽²⁾	Post 13th ⁽²⁾
			April '95 cases	April '95 cases		April '95 cases	April '95 cases
1996	Feb	14,812	95.8%	4.2%	14,684	96.0%	4.0%
	May	14,901	94.3%	5.7%	14,784	94.6%	5.4%
	Aug	15,045	92.5%	7.5%	14,892	93.0%	7.0%
	Nov	15,239	90.4%	9.6%	15,077	90.9%	9.1%
1997	Feb	15,306	89.1%	10.9%	15,177	89.5%	10.5%
	May	15,400	87.7%	12.3%	15,278	88.1%	11.9%
	Aug	15,504	86.1%	13.9%	15,376	86.6%	13.4%
	Nov	15,559	84.9%	15.1%	15,449	85.4%	14.6%
1998	Feb	15,579	83.9%	16.1%	15,470	84.3%	15.7%
	May	15,589	83.0%	17.0%	15,502	83.3%	16.7%
	Aug	15,612	82.0%	18.0%	15,498	82.4%	17.6%
	Nov	15,689	80.3%	19.7%	15,520	81.0%	19.0%
1999	Feb	15,629	80.1%	19.9%	15,514	80.6%	19.4%
	May	15,593	79.7%	20.3%	15,509	80.1%	19.9%
	Aug	15,571	79.2%	20.8%	15,494	79.4%	20.6%
	Nov	15,507	78.5%	21.5%	15,407	78.9%	21.1%
2000	Feb	15,463	77.8%	22.2%	15,366	78.2%	21.8%
	May	15,470	76.9%	23.1%	15,352	77.4%	22.6%
	Aug	15,458	76.3%	23.7%	15,355	76.7%	23.3%

(1): Claimants include all those on the benefit, while recipients only include claimants who are in receipt of payment

(2): Incapacity Benefit was introduced on 13th April 1995, replacing Sickness and Invalidity benefit



**C3 Number of claimants and recipients of Severe
Disablement Allowance at 31 August 2000
by age, sex, and commencement of benefit**

	All SDA		SDA Pre 13 April 1995		SDA Post 13 April 1995	
	Claimants	Recipients	Claimants	Recipients	Claimants	Recipients
All Persons						
All Ages	15,458	15,355	11,795	11,772	3,663	3,583
Under 20	1,129	1,047	476	474	599	573
20 - 24	1,335	1,696	1,057	1,054	653	642
25 - 29	1,503	1,544	1,272	1,272	278	272
30 - 34	1,590	1,497	1,281	1,275	231	222
35 - 39	1,560	1,535	1,234	1,233	309	302
40 - 44	1,468	1,498	1,186	1,183	326	315
45 - 49	1,643	1,611	1,334	1,332	282	279
50 - 54	1,663	1,592	1,289	1,285	309	307
55 - 59	1,246	1,377	1,009	1,007	374	370
60 - 64	1,722	1,893	1,657	1,657	237	236
65 and over	65	65	0	0	65	65
Men						
All Ages	6,820	6,765	5,199	5,189	1,621	1,576
Under 20	589	574	251	251	338	323
20 - 24	951	942	600	598	351	344
25 - 29	881	878	730	730	151	148
30 - 34	814	806	703	700	111	106
35 - 39	739	735	593	592	146	143
40 - 44	658	648	537	534	121	114
45 - 49	590	589	504	504	86	85
50 - 54	516	516	423	423	93	93
55 - 59	491	486	380	379	111	107
60 - 64	566	566	478	478	88	88
65 and over	25	25	0	0	25	25
Women						
All Ages	8,638	8,590	6,596	6,583	2,042	2,007
Under 20	486	473	225	223	261	250
20 - 24	759	754	457	456	302	298
25 - 29	669	666	542	542	127	124
30 - 34	698	691	578	575	120	116
35 - 39	804	800	641	641	163	159
40 - 44	854	850	649	649	205	201
45 - 49	1,026	1,022	830	828	196	194
50 - 54	1,082	1,076	866	862	216	214
55 - 59	892	891	629	628	263	263
60 and over	1,368	1,367	1,179	1,179	189	188



**C4 Number of terminations of Severe Disablement Allowance
in the period 1 September 1999 to 31 August 2000, by age and reason**

	All cases	Closed certificate	Death of claimant	At request of claimant	Other reason *
All Persons	495	45	307	25	118
All Ages					
Under 20	38	5	3	4	26
20 - 24	73	16	10	12	35
25 - 29	30	10	5	5	10
30 - 34	20	4	5	0	11
35 - 39	23	4	11	1	7
40 - 44	24	3	15	0	6
45 - 49	32	2	24	0	6
50 - 54	45	1	31	2	11
55 - 59	52	0	46	1	5
60 - 64	47	0	46	0	1
65 and over	111	0	111	0	0

* Other reason includes failure to attend medical, failure to provide information, and not incapable (own occ. / PCA).



**C5 Number of claimants and recipients of Severe Disablement Allowance
at 31 August 2000, by District Council**

	Claimants	Recipients	Population aged 16 and over *	Recipients as % of Population
All Persons				
All Cases	15,458	15,355	1,280,333	1.20%
Ards	459	458	55,822	0.82%
Belfast	2,624	2,608	217,699	1.20%
Castlereagh	431	429	52,869	0.81%
Down	609	607	47,506	1.28%
Lisburn	773	770	83,593	0.92%
North Down	558	557	60,355	0.92%
Antrim	711	709	38,687	1.83%
Ballymena	429	427	45,833	0.93%
Ballymoney	249	249	19,500	1.28%
Carrickfergus	287	285	29,065	0.98%
Coleraine	407	406	43,430	0.93%
Cookstown	294	294	23,825	1.23%
Larne	230	228	24,097	0.95%
Magherafelt	356	354	28,079	1.26%
Moyle	181	180	11,851	1.52%
Newtownabbey	526	523	63,162	0.83%
Armagh	608	594	40,254	1.48%
Banbridge	324	323	30,708	1.05%
Craigavon	645	639	59,610	1.07%
Dungannon	470	468	35,408	1.32%
Newry & Mourne	936	929	63,453	1.46%
Derry	1,059	1,049	76,256	1.38%
Fermanagh	553	550	42,884	1.28%
Limavady	284	282	23,384	1.21%
Omagh	550	543	35,079	1.55%
Strabane	473	464	27,924	1.66%
Missing postcode	432	430

Note: Approximately 3% of records on the August 2000 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.

* = Mid 1999 estimates. Population aged 16 and over

.. = Not available



C6 Number of recipients of Severe Disablement Allowance at 31 August 2000 by dependency

	All Persons	Men	Women
All Persons			
All Cases	15,355	6,765	8,590
No Dependants	15,082	6,602	8,480
Adult Dependant only	47	44	3
Adult and:			
1 child	16	14	2
2 children	13	13	0
3 children	6	6	0
4 children	4	3	1
5 or more children	3	3	0
No Adult and:			
1 child	95	32	63
2 children	49	22	27
3 children	24	15	9
4 children	8	7	1
5 or more children	8	4	4
Total number of children	431	255	176

Note: Table does not reflect actual dependency status of all IB claimants, but only those who have declared dependants for benefit purposes.

C7 Number of Severe Disablement Allowance recipients at 31 August 2000 by total weekly amounts in payment

	Number of Recipients	Total weekly amount paid £	Average weekly amount paid £
All in receipt of SDA	15,355	792,033	51.58
Of which:			
In receipt of Age Related Addition	15,282	188,991	12.37



**C8 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at
31 August 2000, by reason exempt from Personal Capability Assessment**

	All Persons
All Exempt	14,814
DLA High Care rate	1,246
Severe Sickness	1,381
Other reason ⁽¹⁾	392
In receipt of SDA at 12.4.95	11,795

(1) other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports



**C9 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at
31 August 2000, by Diagnosis Group ***

	All SDA	% of all SDA	Men	Women
All Cases	15,458	100.0%	6,820	8,638
Claimants without any diagnosis code on the system	6	0.0%	2	4
Certain infectious and Parasitic Diseases (A00 - B99)	61	0.4%	21	40
Neoplasms (C00 - D48)	114	0.7%	34	80
Diseases of the Blood and Blood forming organs and certain diseases involving the immune mechanism (D50 - D89)	15	0.1%	6	9
Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases (E00 - E90)	148	1.0%	57	91
Mental and Behavioural Disorders (F00 - F99)	5,984	38.7%	2,997	2,987
Diseases of the Nervous System (G00 - G99)	1,515	9.8%	607	908
Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa (H00 - H59)	215	1.4%	88	127
Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process (H60 - H95)	157	1.0%	56	101
Disease of the Circulatory System (I00 - I99)	788	5.1%	273	515
Diseases of the Respiratory System (J00 - J99)	383	2.5%	102	281
Diseases of the Digestive System (K00 - K93)	111	0.7%	36	75
Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous System (L00 - L99)	49	0.3%	13	36
Diseases of the Musculoskeletal system and Connective Tissue (M00 - M99)	1,437	9.3%	317	1,120
Diseases of the Genitourinary System (N00 - N99)	90	0.6%	33	57
Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium (O00 - O99)	6	0.0%	1	5
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (P00 - P96)	0	0.0%	0	0
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities (Q00 - Q99)	1,068	6.9%	583	485
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified (R00 - R99)	2,319	15.0%	1,001	1,318
Injury, Poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00 - U22)	345	2.2%	213	132
Factors influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services (Z00 - Z99)	647	4.2%	380	267

*Diagnosis Group is taken from ICD10 published by the World Health Organisation.



C10 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at 31 August 2000, by age, sex, and duration of benefit

	All IB	Under 3 months	3 to under 6 months	6 to under 12 months	1 to under 2 years	2 to under 4 years	4 years and over
All Persons							
All Ages	15,458	44	99	264	617	1,472	12,962
Under 20	599	18	40	108	184	248	1
20-24	1,129	3	14	21	88	253	750
25-29	1,335	5	3	14	48	99	1166
30-34	1,503	3	9	8	30	104	1349
35-39	1,590	3	5	27	55	121	1379
40-44	1,560	1	7	20	56	129	1347
45-49	1,468	2	4	22	34	113	1293
50-54	1,643	4	6	13	36	126	1458
55-59	1,663	3	5	16	52	155	1432
60-64	1,246	1	6	14	23	100	1102
65 and over	1,722	1	0	1	11	24	1685
Men							
All Ages	6,820	23	46	123	283	656	5,689
Under 20	338	13	18	63	107	136	1
20-24	602	1	11	10	47	133	400
25-29	751	2	1	7	22	58	661
30-34	841	1	4	3	18	48	767
35-39	849	2	3	10	24	62	748
40-44	714	1	3	6	23	49	632
45-49	623	1	1	6	8	41	566
50-54	597	1	2	4	7	40	543
55-59	534	1	0	8	15	46	464
60-64	468	0	3	6	9	34	416
65 and over	503	0	0	0	3	9	491
Women							
All Ages	8,638	21	53	141	334	816	7,273
Under 20	261	5	22	45	77	112	0
20-24	527	2	3	11	41	120	350
25-29	584	3	2	7	26	41	505
30-34	662	2	5	5	12	56	582
35-39	741	1	2	17	31	59	631
40-44	846	0	4	14	33	80	715
45-49	845	1	3	16	26	72	727
50-54	1,046	3	4	9	29	86	915
55-59	1,129	2	5	8	37	109	968
60 and over	1,997	2	3	9	22	81	1880



C11 Number of claimants and recipients of Severe Disablement Allowance at 31 August 2000 by Government Office Region

Thousands

	Claimants	Recipients
All Persons		
All Cases (Great Britain)	367.2	365.1
North East	20.1	20.1
North West	49.0	48.8
Yorks & Humber	35.1	34.9
East Midlands	28.8	28.5
West Midlands	32.0	31.8
South West	31.6	31.4
East Midlands	27.9	27.7
London	32.4	32.1
South East	42.2	42.1
England	299.1	297.4
Scotland	43.0	42.8
Wales	24.7	24.6
Northern Ireland	15.5	15.4
Overseas	0.4*	0.3*

*Figures under 500 are subject to a high degree of sampling error and should only be used as a guide to the current situation as GB data are taken from a 5% extract of the computer system.

