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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 adult 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 February 2001, with a more in-depth analysis for February 2001.



Glossary of terms and conventions

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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 - February 2001

At the end of February 2001 there were 101,211 **IB claimants**, up 2,195 (3%) on the previous year. Of these, 70,503 were in receipt of the benefit, a 1% increase on the previous twelve months. The corresponding figure for Great Britain as a whole was also up (1%) on the previous year.

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

- Numbers on **short term lower rate** in the year fell to 4,904.
- Numbers on **short term higher rate** in the year rose to 4,682.
- Numbers on **long term rate** in the year rose to 61,418.

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

Total **terminations** averaged 1,854 per month during the latest quarter (see table A5); 34% of these were due to the 'Personal Capability Assessment' (formerly 'all work test') ⁽¹⁾. This figure is higher than that of Great Britain, which has a proportion of terminations of 19% due to the Personal Capability Assessment.

There has been a 68% decline in the number of recipients with Adult dependants only 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 February 2001 there were 20,160 IB recipients exempt from the Personal Capability Assessment, up (1%) on the previous year.

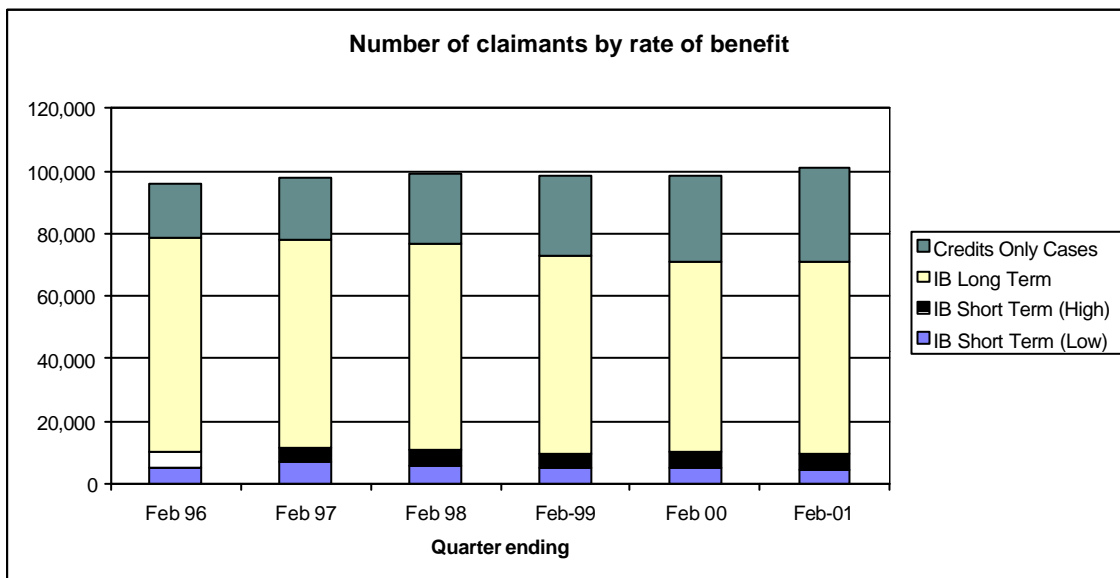
Numbers claiming SDA remain constant (see table C1). This is also the case for Great Britain as a whole. At the end of February 2001 there were 15,507 claimants and 15,397 recipients of SDA.

⁽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
	Nov	100,229	5,042	4,886	60,879	30,571	30,308	29,422
2001	Feb	101,211	4,904	4,682	61,418	29,858	31,560	30,207



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

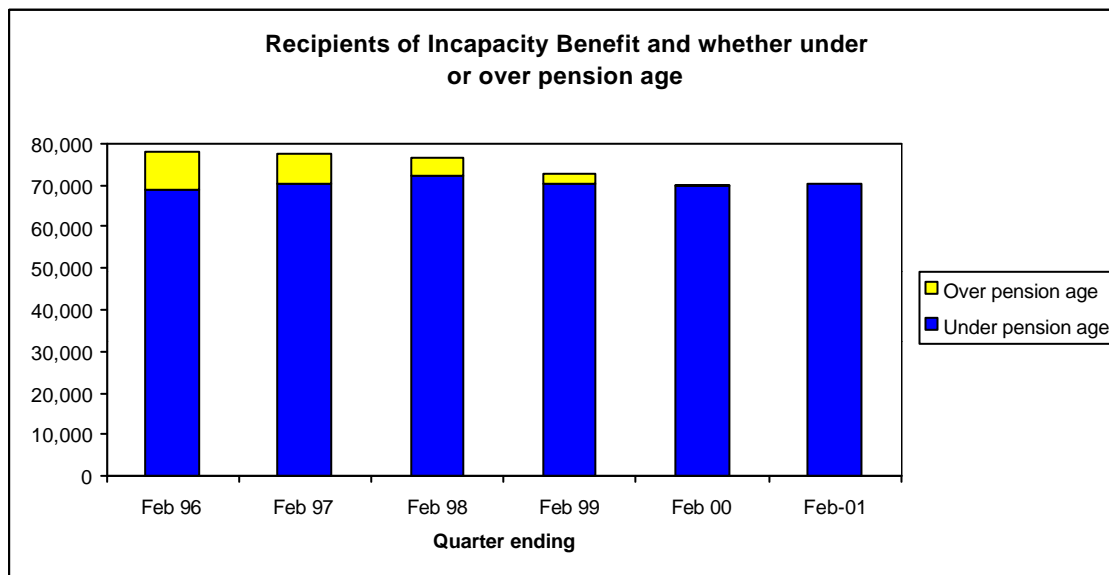
		Number of IB claimants					
		Total	IBLT				Credits only
Quarter ending	IBST(L)		IBST(H)	Ex-IVB (protected)	Other IBLT		
1996	Feb	95,525	5.8%	4.8%	69.4%	2.4%	17.7%
	May	95,072	5.8%	5.2%	66.8%	4.2%	18.1%
	Aug	94,218	5.8%	5.3%	64.4%	6.4%	18.1%
	Nov	96,654	6.9%	5.1%	60.3%	8.3%	19.3%
1997	Feb	97,683	7.2%	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%
	Nov	100,229	5.0%	4.9%	30.5%	30.2%	29.4%
2001	Feb	101,211	4.8%	4.6%	29.5%	31.2%	29.8%



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
Nov	70,330	70,295	35	4,736	4,830	60,764	78.95	51.22	61.67	82.49
2001 Feb	70,503	70,475	28	4,577	4,601	61,325	78.84	51.06	61.42	82.23

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

Quarter ending		Number of recipients					
		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%
	Nov	70,330	100.0%	0.0%	6.7%	6.9%	86.4%
2001	Feb	70,503	100.0%	0.0%	6.5%	6.5%	87.0%

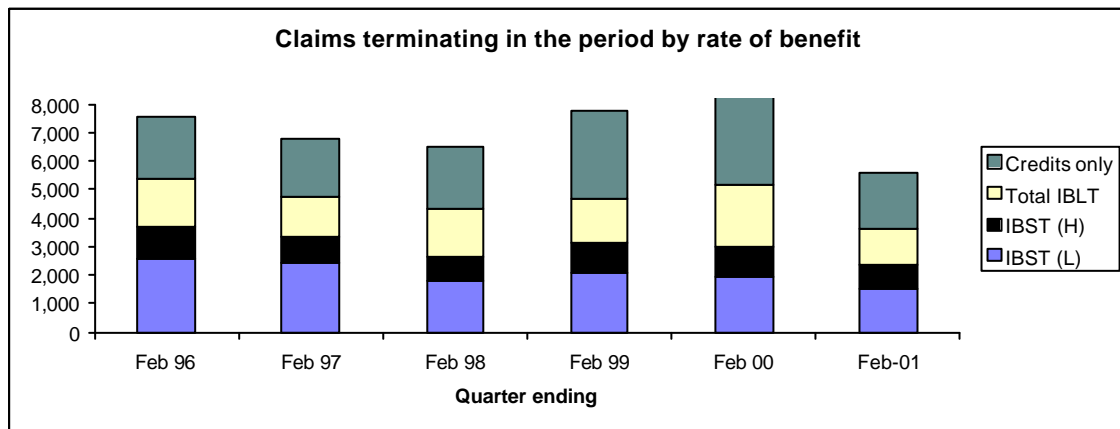
Note: Pension age = over age 65 for men and over age 60 for women



A5 Incapacity Benefit spells terminating by reason and rate of benefit

Quarter ending	Number of claims terminating by reason					Number of claims terminating by rate of benefit				
	Total terminations	Not incapable			IBLT					
		PCA*	Own occ. test	Other reason**	IBST (L)	IBST (H)	Total IBLT (protected)	Ex-IVB IBLT	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	2,433	218	4,939	1,898	889	1,625	448	1,177	3,178
1999 Feb	7,758	2,689	154	4,915	2,099	1,003	1,582	404	1,178	3,074
May	8,062	3,616	73	4,373	1,878	1,072	2,067	678	1,389	3,045
Aug	7,081	3,044	68	3,969	1,536	998	1,709	570	1,139	2,838
Nov	6,775	2,121	72	4,582	1,722	926	1,490	510	980	2,637
2000 Feb	8,316	3,771	68	4,477	1,934	1,071	2,188	714	1,474	3,123
May	7,262	2,756	107	4,399	1,775	1,030	1,564	372	1,192	2,893
Aug	6,865	2,966	90	3,809	1,496	1,148	1,445	280	1,165	2,776
Nov	7,336	2,926	81	4,329	1,592	1,136	1,768	370	1,398	2,840
2001 Feb	5,562	1,887	62	3,613	1,526	852	1,225	206	1,019	1,959

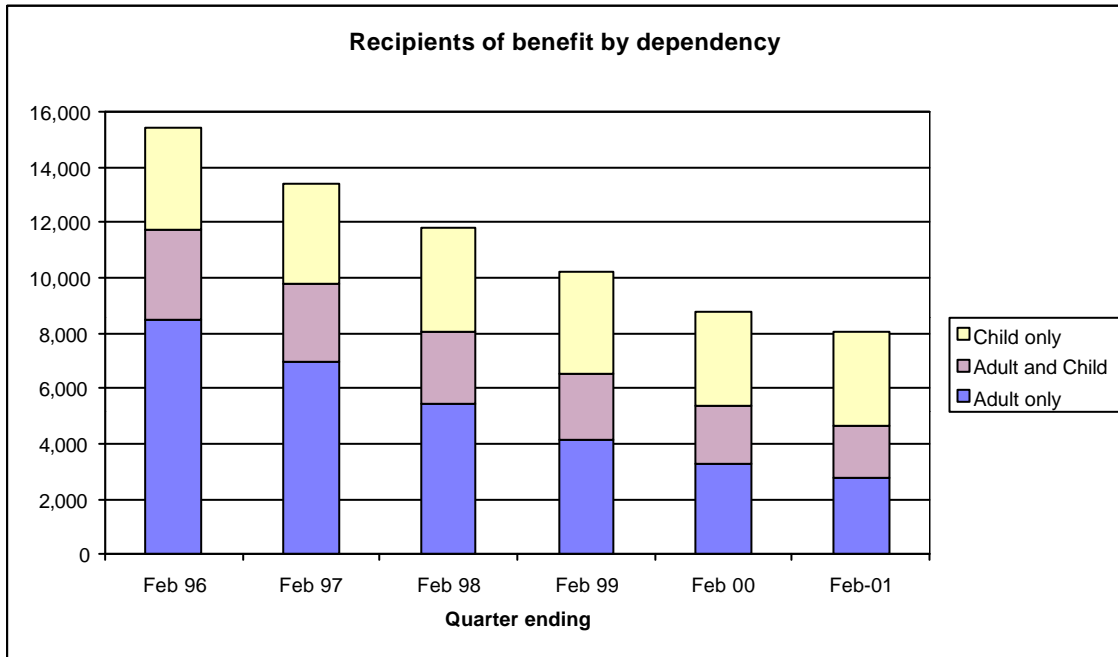
Notes: ** Includes "Failure to return questionnaire" and "Did not attend BAMS"
 Due to operational procedures a small number of All Work Test PCA terminations appear in "Other reason".
 * Personal Capability Assessment' formerly the 'all work test'
 Figures in the February 2001 edition of Table A5 (from November 1998), have been revised due to previous deficiencies in the data. This table in previous publications has been amended.



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
	Nov	70,330	62,173	2,871	1,935	3,351	9,850
2001	Feb	70,503	62,453	2,757	1,913	3,380	9,895

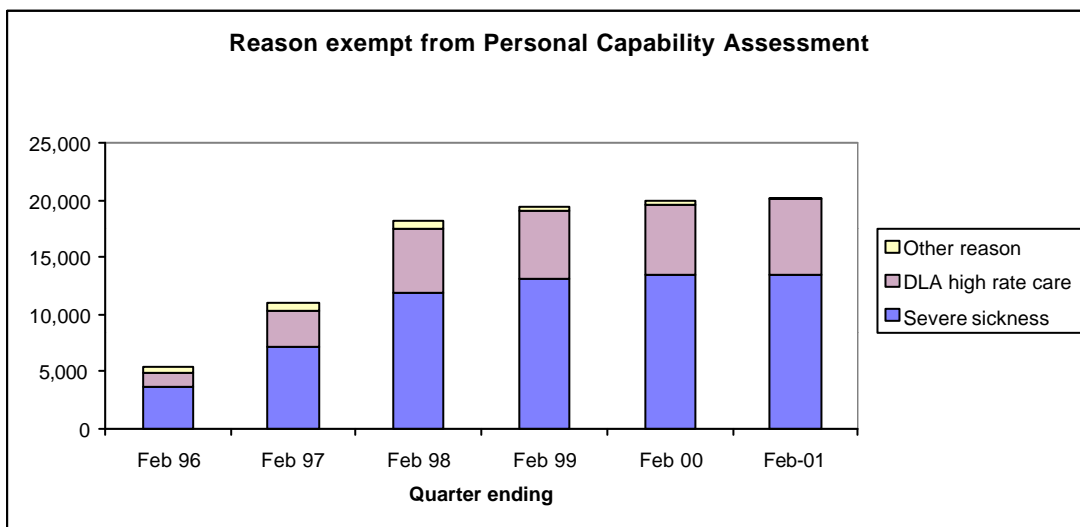
Note: Table does not reflect dependency status of all IB claimants, but only those who have declared dependants for benefit purposes.



A7 Incapacity Benefit recipients ¹ by reason exempt from Personal Capability Assessment

		Claimants exempt from PCA by reason			
Year	Quarter ending	Total exempt ⁽²⁾	Severe sickness	DLA high rate care	Other reason ⁽³⁾
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	18,120	11,824	5,631	665
	May	18,534	12,254	5,671	609
	Aug	18,808	12,637	5,649	522
	Nov	19,467	13,242	5,828	397
1999	Feb	19,369	13,119	5,861	389
	May	19,226	12,961	5,903	362
	Aug	19,666	13,096	6,238	332
	Nov	19,960	13,391	6,317	252
2000	Feb	19,879	13,406	6,261	212
	May	19,866	13,417	6,279	170
	Aug	19,869	13,433	6,295	141
	Nov	20,008	13,479	6,406	123
2001	Feb	20,160	13,553	6,503	104

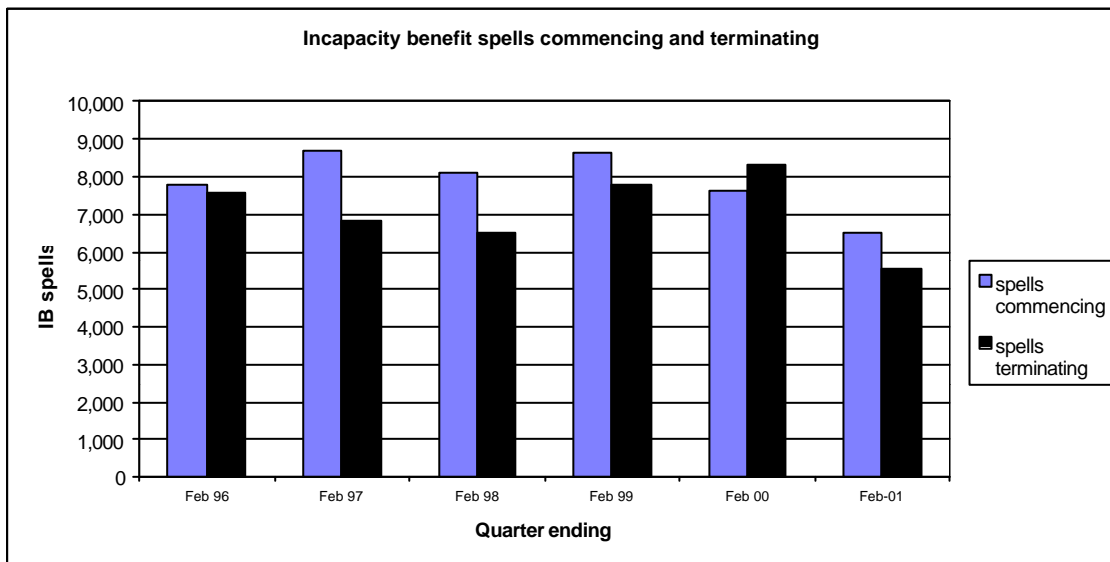
Notes: From April 2000 the Personal Capability Assessment replaced the 'All Work Test'
 (1) Figures released prior to the February 2001 edition in Table A7 & B6, excluded some credits only cases exempt from AWT/PCA, due to deficiencies in raw data. Tables A7 & B6 now focus on Incapacity Benefit recipients.
 (2) excludes exempt because claimant over 58 and in receipt of IVB since Dec 93
 (3) 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
Nov	7,989	7,336	459	1.09
2001 Feb	6,515	5,562	411	1.17

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 28 February 2001, 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	101,211	4,904	4,682	61,418	29,858	31,560	30,207
Under 20	1,276	10	3	1	0	1	1262
20-24	3,859	320	201	320	0	320	3018
25-29	5,505	550	449	1829	195	1634	2677
30-34	8,310	647	518	4033	1198	2835	3112
35-39	10,240	577	534	5596	2338	3258	3533
40-44	11,259	511	552	6609	3094	3515	3587
45-49	12,432	500	577	7661	3920	3741	3694
50-54	16,109	666	655	10578	5395	5183	4210
55-59	19,468	697	778	14212	7574	6638	3781
60-64	12,658	426	414	10560	6128	4432	1258
65 and over	95	0	1	19	16	3	75
Men							
All Ages	61,661	3,373	2,875	37,528	18,232	19,296	17,885
Under 20	597	4	1	1	0	1	591
20-24	2,167	187	96	158	0	158	1726
25-29	2,998	293	219	734	56	678	1752
30-34	4,332	373	277	1534	360	1174	2148
35-39	5,545	371	299	2531	835	1696	2344
40-44	6,210	356	326	3445	1464	1981	2083
45-49	6,910	352	340	4251	2050	2201	1967
50-54	8,883	471	400	5900	2925	2975	2112
55-59	11,436	540	502	8403	4402	4001	1991
60-64	12,507	426	414	10552	6124	4428	1115
65 and over	76	0	1	19	16	3	56
Women							
All Ages	39,550	1,531	1,807	23,890	11,626	12,264	12,322
Under 20	679	6	2	0	0	0	671
20-24	1,692	133	105	162	0	162	1292
25-29	2,507	257	230	1095	139	956	925
30-34	3,978	274	241	2499	838	1661	964
35-39	4,695	206	235	3065	1503	1562	1189
40-44	5,049	155	226	3164	1630	1534	1504
45-49	5,522	148	237	3410	1870	1540	1727
50-54	7,226	195	255	4678	2470	2208	2098
55-59	8,032	157	276	5809	3172	2637	1790
60 and over	170	0	0	8	4	4	162

* 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 28 February 2001, 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	70,503	4,577	4,601	61,325	29,837	31,488
Under 20	11	7	3	1	0	1
20-24	803	287	196	320	0	320
25-29	2,757	494	435	1828	195	1633
30-34	5,144	603	512	4029	1197	2832
35-39	6,656	542	524	5590	2337	3253
40-44	7,608	470	541	6597	3088	3509
45-49	8,690	476	567	7647	3915	3732
50-54	11,820	626	644	10550	5391	5159
55-59	15,626	660	773	14193	7571	6622
60-64	11,368	412	405	10551	6127	4424
65 and over	20	0	1	19	16	3
Men						
All Ages	43,401	3,122	2,817	37,462	18,220	19,242
Under 20	4	2	1	1	0	1
20-24	413	162	93	158	0	158
25-29	1,200	255	211	734	56	678
30-34	2,145	341	274	1530	359	1171
35-39	3,163	346	291	2526	834	1692
40-44	4,079	322	319	3438	1460	1978
45-49	4,907	332	332	4243	2048	2195
50-54	6,708	438	391	5879	2923	2956
55-59	9,402	512	499	8391	4401	3990
60-64	11,360	412	405	10543	6123	4420
65 and over	20	0	1	19	16	3
Women						
All Ages	27,102	1,455	1,784	23,863	11,617	12,246
Under 20	7	5	2	0	0	0
20-24	390	125	103	162	0	162
25-29	1,557	239	224	1094	139	955
30-34	2,999	262	238	2499	838	1661
35-39	3,493	196	233	3064	1503	1561
40-44	3,529	148	222	3159	1628	1531
45-49	3,783	144	235	3404	1867	1537
50-54	5,112	188	253	4671	2468	2203
55-59	6,224	148	274	5802	3170	2632
60 and over	8	0	0	8	4	4

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



**B2 Number of terminations of Incapacity Benefit
in the period 1 December 2000 to 28 February 2001,
by rate of benefit and reason**

	All cases	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT			Credits only
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB IBLT	Other IBLT	
All Persons	5,562	1,526	852	1,225	206	1,019	1,959
Closed Certificate	2,374	1191	328	188	20	168	667
Death of Claimant	255	10	17	154	80	74	74
At request of claimant	353	134	38	57	5	52	124
Failure to attend medical	197	8	12	27	2	25	150
Failure to provide information	135	13	13	16	2	14	93
Not incapable Own Occ Test	62	32	1	1	0	1	28
Not incapable PCA	1,887	64	343	704	85	619	776
Return to work	196	33	94	68	11	57	1
Other	103	41	6	10	1	9	46



**B3 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
28 February 2001, 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	101,211	4,155	4,001	53,809	26,172	1,030,400	9.82%
Ards	3,377	151	212	2248	766	45,500	7.42%
Belfast	19,804	729	791	10949	7335	165,800	11.94%
Castlereagh	2,806	142	159	1988	517	40,200	6.98%
Down	3,331	173	135	2121	902	38,400	8.67%
Lisburn	5,099	218	251	3139	1491	68,500	7.44%
North Down	2,576	117	147	1739	573	45,700	5.64%
Antrim	2,240	121	102	1367	650	32,900	6.81%
Ballymena	2,806	152	139	1739	776	37,000	7.58%
Ballymoney	1,508	69	85	961	393	15,900	9.48%
Carrickfergus	1,666	99	74	1149	344	23,800	7.00%
Coleraine	2,651	139	130	1585	797	34,300	7.73%
Cookstown	2,661	140	96	1639	786	19,200	13.86%
Larne	1,529	88	53	983	405	18,900	8.09%
Magherafelt	2,407	125	112	1593	577	23,300	10.33%
Moyle	923	44	37	549	293	9,300	9.92%
Newtownabbey	3,802	202	199	2483	918	50,700	7.50%
Armagh	3,117	184	158	2025	750	33,100	9.42%
Banbridge	2,293	140	126	1542	485	25,700	8.92%
Craigavon	5,634	314	241	3807	1272	48,900	11.52%
Dungannon	3,249	177	178	1934	960	29,300	11.09%
Newry & Mourne	6,128	313	271	3460	2084	52,400	11.69%
Derry	8,530	318	305	4809	3098	65,300	13.06%
Fermanagh	2,748	167	141	1576	864	34,300	8.01%
Limavady	1,947	92	95	1167	593	19,700	9.88%
Omagh	3,367	191	142	2039	995	29,100	11.57%
Strabane	3,141	145	144	1849	1003	23,200	13.54%
Missing postcode	1,871	154	159	978	580

* = Mid 2000 estimates. Population of working age. Namely 16-59 for Females, 16-64 for Males.

.. = Not available

Note: Approximately 2% of records on the February 2001 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.



**B3 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
28 February 2001, 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	70,503	4,019	4,065	55,307	1,030,400	6.84%
Ards	2,600	144	210	2246	45,500	5.71%
Belfast	12,357	652	775	10930	165,800	7.45%
Castlereagh	2,275	136	156	1983	40,200	5.66%
Down	2,415	162	133	2120	38,400	6.29%
Lisburn	3,587	204	246	3137	68,500	5.24%
North Down	1,993	107	147	1739	45,700	4.36%
Antrim	1,581	113	102	1366	32,900	4.81%
Ballymena	2,013	139	135	1739	37,000	5.44%
Ballymoney	1,105	62	82	961	15,900	6.95%
Carrickfergus	1,309	89	74	1146	23,800	5.50%
Coleraine	1,841	131	128	1582	34,300	5.37%
Cookstown	1,861	133	96	1632	19,200	9.69%
Larne	1,113	78	52	983	18,900	5.89%
Magherafelt	1,821	118	111	1592	23,300	7.82%
Moyle	626	43	34	549	9,300	6.73%
Newtownabbey	2,870	193	194	2483	50,700	5.66%
Armagh	2,354	180	154	2020	33,100	7.11%
Banbridge	1,797	133	123	1541	25,700	6.99%
Craigavon	4,331	296	235	3800	48,900	8.86%
Dungannon	2,270	168	174	1928	29,300	7.75%
Newry & Mourne	4,016	291	266	3459	52,400	7.66%
Derry	5,380	284	298	4798	65,300	8.24%
Fermanagh	1,876	163	140	1573	34,300	5.47%
Limavady	1,346	85	95	1166	19,700	6.83%
Omagh	2,360	184	141	2035	29,100	8.11%
Strabane	2,126	140	141	1845	23,200	9.16%
Missing postcode	1,280	149	159	972

* = Mid 2000 estimates. Population of working age. Namely 16-59 for Females, 16-64 for Males.

.. = Not available

Note: Approximately 2% of records on the February 2001 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.



**B4 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
28 February 2001 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	70,503	4,577	4,601	61,325	29,837	31,488
No Dependants	62,453	4,460	4,346	53,647	24,801	28,846
Adult Dependant only	2,757	117	14	2,626	2,353	273
Adult and:						
1 child	905	0	38	867	460	407
2 children	541	0	36	505	245	260
3 children	301	0	22	279	130	149
4 children	123	0	12	111	54	57
5 or more children	43	0	4	39	17	22
No Adult and:						
1 child	1,577	0	53	1,524	857	667
2 children	1,071	0	44	1,027	556	471
3 children	481	0	20	461	228	233
4 children	177	0	11	166	94	72
5 or more children	74	0	1	73	42	31
Total number of children	9,895	0	494	9,401	4,913	4,488

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
28 February 2001 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	43,401	3,122	2,817	37,462	18,220	19,242
No Dependants	36,779	3,010	2,610	31,159	14,002	17,157
Adult Dependant only	2,711	112	14	2,585	2,316	269
Adult and:						
1 child	869	0	37	832	441	391
2 children	501	0	34	467	225	242
3 children	280	0	20	260	117	143
4 children	115	0	12	103	50	53
5 or more children	42	0	4	38	17	21
No Adult and:						
1 child	988	0	35	953	534	419
2 children	644	0	27	617	317	300
3 children	316	0	17	299	127	172
4 children	114	0	6	108	53	55
5 or more children	42	0	1	41	21	20
Total number of children	7,312	0	402	6,910	3,413	3,497

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
28 February 2001 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	27,102	1,455	1,784	23,863	11,617	12,246
No Dependants	25,674	1,450	1,736	22,488	10,799	11,689
Adult Dependant only	46	5	0	41	37	4
Adult and:						
1 child	36	0	1	35	19	16
2 children	40	0	2	38	20	18
3 children	21	0	2	19	13	6
4 children	8	0	0	8	4	4
5 or more children	1	0	0	1	0	1
No Adult and:						
1 child	589	0	18	571	323	248
2 children	427	0	17	410	239	171
3 children	165	0	3	162	101	61
4 children	63	0	5	58	41	17
5 or more children	32	0	0	32	21	11
Total number of children	2,583	0	92	2,491	1,500	991

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 28 February 2001
by rate of benefit, and weekly amounts in payment**

	All Recipients	Total weekly amount paid £	Average weekly amount paid £
All Persons			
All IB Rates	70,503	5,558,787	78.84
IBST(L)	4,577	233,713	51.06
IBST(H)	4,601	282,572	61.42
IBLT (All)	61,325	5,042,502	82.23
IBLT (Ex-IVB)	29,837	2,682,701	89.91
Invalidity Allowance	18,358	180,115	9.81
Additional Pension	21,762	345,688	15.88
Graduated Retirement Benefit	0	0	0.00
IBLT (Other)	31,488	2,359,802	74.94
Incapacity Age Addition	13,274	141,530	10.66



**B6 Number of recipients ¹ of Incapacity Benefit at
28 February 2001 by rate of benefit and
reason exempt from the Personal Capability Assessment**

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST (H)	IBLT
All Persons	20,160	75	377	19,708
Severe Sickness	13,553	48	238	13,267
DLA High Care rate	6,503	26	139	6,338
Other reason ⁽²⁾	104	1	0	103

(1) Figures released prior to the February 2001 edition in Table A7 & B6, excluded some credits only cases exempt from AWT/PCA, due to deficiencies in raw data. Tables A7 & B6 now focus on Incapacity Benefit recipients.

(2) other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports



**B7 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
28 February 2001, by Diagnosis Group***

	All IB	% of all IB	Men	Women
All Cases	101,211	100.0%	61,661	39,550
Claimants without any diagnosis code on the system	220	0.2%	119	101
Certain infectious and Parasitic Diseases (A00 - B99)	901	0.9%	551	350
Neoplasms (C00 - D48)	1,027	1.0%	539	488
Diseases of the Blood and Blood forming organs and certain diseases involving the immune mechanism (D50 - D89)	259	0.3%	124	135
Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases (E00 -E90)	1,350	1.3%	880	470
Mental and Behavioural Disorders (F00 - F99)	30,708	30.3%	16,652	14,056
Diseases of the Nervous System (G00 - G99)	3,867	3.8%	2,167	1,700
Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa (H00 -H59)	450	0.4%	345	105
Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process (H60 - H95)	376	0.4%	249	127
Disease of the Circulatory System (I00 - I99)	9,425	9.3%	7,573	1,852
Diseases of the Respiratory System (J00 - J99)	3,200	3.2%	1,979	1,221
Diseases of the Digestive System (K00 - K93)	1,751	1.7%	1,165	586
Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous System (L00 - L99)	1,116	1.1%	692	424
Diseases of the Musculoskeletal system and Connective Tissue (M00 - M99)	21,946	21.7%	13,149	8,797
Diseases of the Genitourinary System (N00 - N99)	813	0.8%	317	496
Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium (O00 - O99)	851	0.8%	3	848
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (P00 - P96)	2	0.0%	0	2
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities (Q00 - Q99)	93	0.1%	53	40
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified (R00 - R99)	14,741	14.6%	8,910	5,831
Injury, Poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00 - U22)	7,186	7.1%	5,539	1,647
Factors influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services (Z00 - Z99)	929	0.9%	655	274

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



**B8 Number of claimants of Incapacity
Benefit at 28 February 2001, 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	101,211	5,755	6,638	8,651	13,053	18,010	49,104
Under 20	1,276	322	388	298	196	72	0
20-24	3,859	556	658	738	772	811	324
25-29	5,505	616	676	793	971	1221	1228
30-34	8,310	672	765	961	1305	1728	2879
35-39	10,240	697	774	967	1523	1935	4344
40-44	11,259	625	747	1008	1621	2069	5189
45-49	12,432	632	679	1017	1620	2155	6329
50-54	16,109	682	795	1142	2055	2778	8657
55-59	19,468	639	808	1214	2036	3238	11533
60-64	12,658	314	348	512	953	1999	8532
65 and over	95	0	0	1	1	4	89
Men							
All Ages	61,661	3,593	4,101	5,294	8,077	10,922	29,674
Under 20	597	163	192	126	85	31	0
20-24	2,167	347	390	413	420	436	161
25-29	2,998	349	400	455	561	625	608
30-34	4,332	385	479	588	746	893	1241
35-39	5,545	423	483	586	955	1105	1993
40-44	6,210	386	406	609	978	1167	2664
45-49	6,910	366	383	597	944	1220	3400
50-54	8,883	416	477	647	1175	1550	4618
55-59	11,436	445	543	761	1262	1912	6513
60-64	12,507	313	348	511	950	1979	8406
65 and over	76	0	0	1	1	4	70
Women							
All Ages	39,550	2,162	2,537	3,357	4,976	7,088	19,430
Under 20	679	159	196	172	111	41	0
20-24	1,692	209	268	325	352	375	163
25-29	2,507	267	276	338	410	596	620
30-34	3,978	287	286	373	559	835	1638
35-39	4,695	274	291	381	568	830	2351
40-44	5,049	239	341	399	643	902	2525
45-49	5,522	266	296	420	676	935	2929
50-54	7,226	266	318	495	880	1,228	4039
55-59	8,032	194	265	453	774	1,326	5020
60 and over	170	1	0	1	3	20	145

* 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
28 February 2001, by rate of benefit
and Government Office Region**

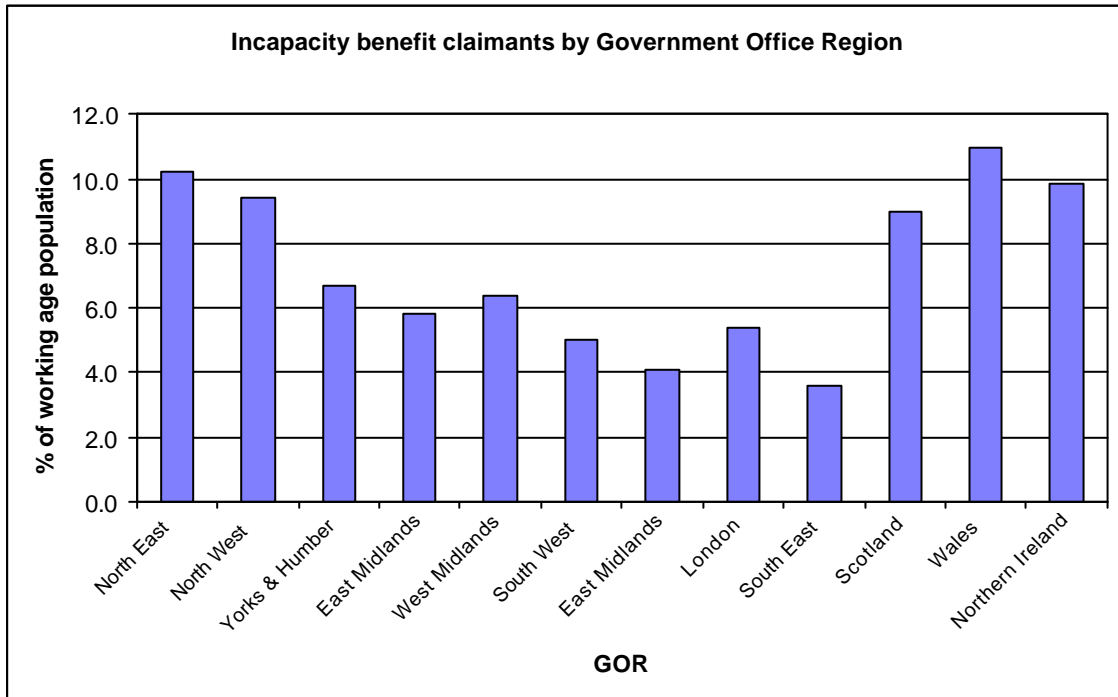
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Thousands

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	Credits only	All IB as % of working age population
All Cases (GB)	2,324.4	96.7	92.0	1,330.5	805.2	6.5
North East	160.9	7.0	6.4	99.4	48.0	10.2
North West	393.4	16.3	15.3	227.6	134.2	9.4
Yorks & Humber	207.1	9.9	8.7	123.0	65.4	6.7
East Midlands	148.4	6.3	6.3	93.2	42.6	5.8
West Midlands	208.5	9.5	8.5	123.0	67.5	6.4
South West	146.3	7.4	6.5	81.7	50.7	5.0
East Midlands	135.3	5.7	6.5	77.1	46.1	4.1
London	257.0	7.6	8.1	104.5	136.8	5.4
South East	178.1	7.7	6.9	97.5	66.0	3.6
England	1,835.0	77.4	73.2	1,027.1	657.4	6.0
Scotland	288.2	11.7	11.5	170.3	94.8	9.0
Wales	192.6	7.6	7.2	125.2	52.6	11.0
Northern Ireland	101.2	4.9	4.7	61.4	29.9	9.8
Overseas	8.6	0.1*	0.1*	8.0	0.4*	..

Mid 2000 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
28 February 2001, by rate of benefit
and Government Office Region**

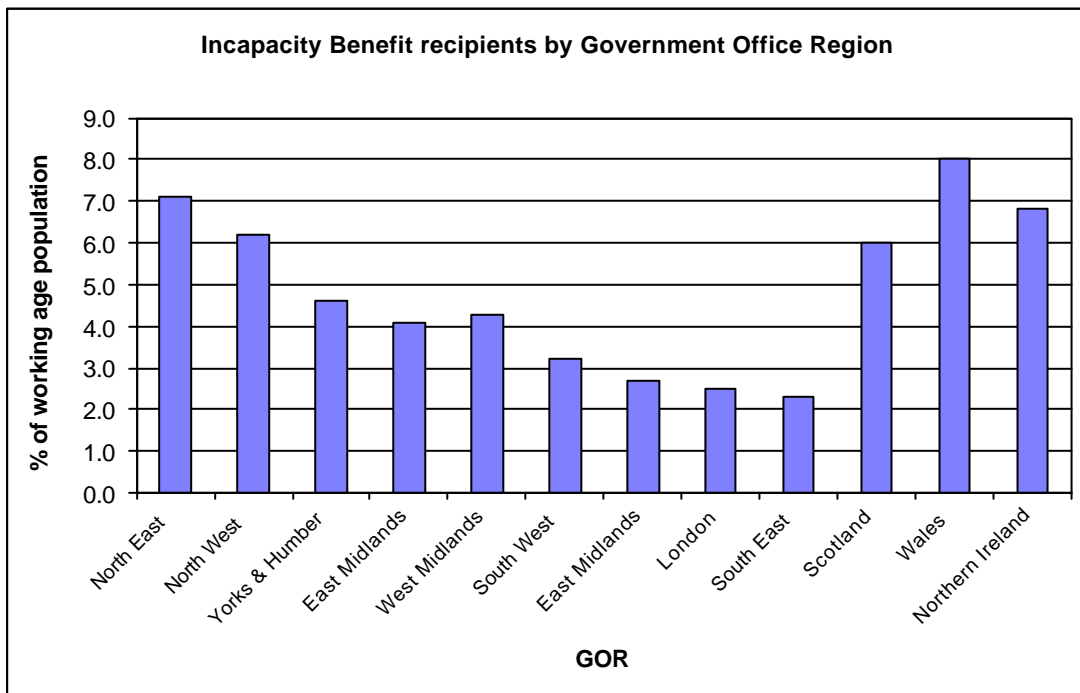
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Thousands

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	All IB as % of working age population
All Cases (GB)	1,515.2	93.6	91.8	1,329.8	4.3
North East	112.6	6.9	6.4	99.3	7.1
North West	258.4	15.7	15.3	227.4	6.2
Yorks & Humber	141.1	9.5	8.7	122.9	4.6
East Midlands	105.5	6.0	6.3	93.2	4.1
West Midlands	140.8	9.3	8.5	123.0	4.3
South West	95.3	7.1	6.5	81.7	3.2
East Midlands	88.8	5.4	6.4	77.0	2.7
London	119.9	7.3	8.1	104.4	2.5
South East	111.9	7.6	6.9	97.4	2.3
England	1,174.3	74.8	73.1	1,026.4	3.8
Scotland	193.0	11.3	11.4	170.2	6.0
Wales	139.8	7.5	7.2	125.1	8.0
Northern Ireland	70.3	4.7	4.8	60.8	6.8
Overseas	8.1	0.1*	0.1*	8.0	..

Mid 2000 estimates. Population of working age. Namely 16-59 for Females, 16-64 for Males.

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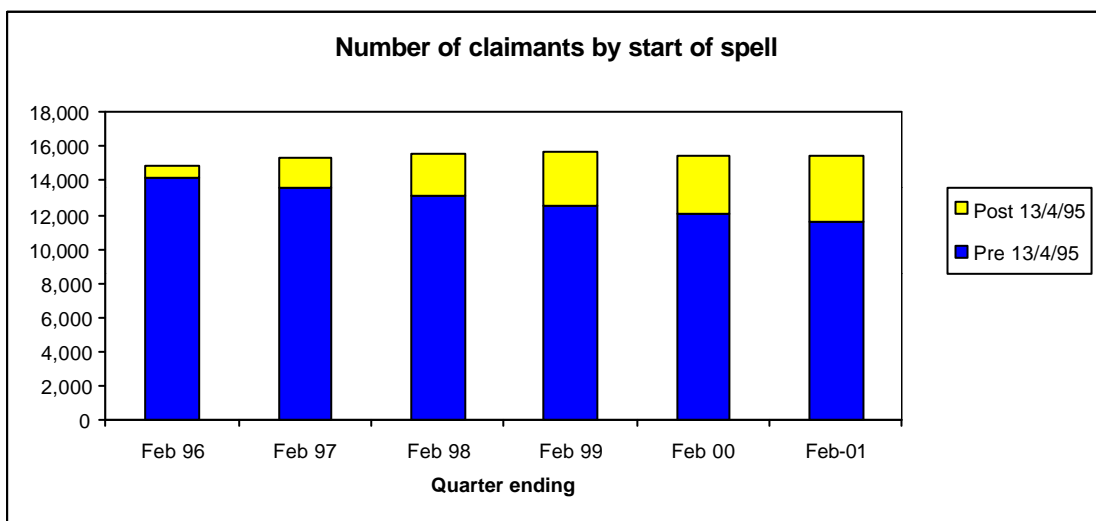


C1 Severe Disablement Allowance claimants and recipients by start of spell

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
	Nov	15,489	11,690	3,799	15,385	11,668	3,717
2001	Feb	15,507	11,582	3,925	15,397	11,564	3,833

(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%
	Nov	15,489	75.5%	24.5%	15,385	75.8%	24.2%
2001	Feb	15,507	74.7%	25.3%	15,397	75.1%	24.9%

(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 28 February 2001
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	15,507	15,397	11,582	11,564	3,925	3,833
Under 20	1,104	975	379	377	628	598
20 - 24	1,320	1,735	1,030	1,025	725	710
25 - 29	1,485	1,532	1,248	1,247	290	285
30 - 34	1,619	1,512	1,284	1,281	237	231
35 - 39	1,571	1,553	1,225	1,225	335	328
40 - 44	1,482	1,493	1,161	1,158	346	335
45 - 49	1,633	1,634	1,323	1,322	321	312
50 - 54	1,715	1,603	1,302	1,300	310	303
55 - 59	1,206	1,374	964	963	413	411
60 - 64	1,744	1,908	1,666	1,666	242	242
65 and over	78	78	0	0	78	78
Men						
All Ages	6,851	6,798	5,094	5,088	1,757	1,710
Under 20	575	553	203	203	372	350
20 - 24	962	952	566	565	396	387
25 - 29	868	866	712	711	156	155
30 - 34	832	831	716	716	116	115
35 - 39	742	740	586	586	156	154
40 - 44	664	656	535	532	129	124
45 - 49	612	607	512	512	100	95
50 - 54	521	519	430	430	91	89
55 - 59	482	481	363	362	119	119
60 - 64	564	564	471	471	93	93
65 and over	29	29	0	0	29	29
Women						
All Ages	8,656	8,599	6,488	6,476	2,168	2,123
Under 20	432	422	176	174	256	248
20 - 24	793	783	464	460	329	323
25 - 29	670	666	536	536	134	130
30 - 34	689	681	568	565	121	116
35 - 39	818	813	639	639	179	174
40 - 44	843	837	626	626	217	211
45 - 49	1,032	1,027	811	810	221	217
50 - 54	1,091	1,084	872	870	219	214
55 - 59	895	893	601	601	294	292
60 and over	1,393	1,393	1,195	1,195	198	198



**C4 Number of terminations of Severe Disablement Allowance
in the period 1 March 2000 to 28 February 2001, by age and reason**

	All cases	Closed certificate	Death of claimant	At request of claimant	Other reason *
All Persons	486	43	322	21	100
All Ages					
Under 20	34	11	2	5	16
20 - 24	55	8	9	7	31
25 - 29	34	8	9	3	14
30 - 34	21	2	11	1	7
35 - 39	27	7	11	2	7
40 - 44	22	0	14	2	6
45 - 49	30	2	23	0	5
50 - 54	30	3	17	1	9
55 - 59	41	1	36	0	4
60 - 64	59	1	57	0	1
65 and over	133	0	133	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 28 February 2001, by District Council**

	Claimants	Recipients	Population aged 16 and over *	Recipients as % of Population
All Persons				
All Cases	15,507	15,397	1,289,600	1.19%
Ards	467	466	56,700	0.82%
Belfast	2,615	2,600	216,900	1.20%
Castlereagh	425	425	53,000	0.80%
Down	620	615	47,700	1.29%
Lisburn	788	780	84,300	0.93%
North Down	554	552	60,600	0.91%
Antrim	708	703	39,000	1.80%
Ballymena	436	434	46,400	0.94%
Ballymoney	256	254	19,800	1.28%
Carrickfergus	288	288	29,700	0.97%
Coleraine	412	408	43,700	0.93%
Cookstown	289	288	24,000	1.20%
Larne	227	225	24,300	0.93%
Magherafelt	365	360	28,400	1.27%
Moyle	180	179	11,900	1.50%
Newtownabbey	530	527	63,600	0.83%
Armagh	607	595	41,100	1.45%
Banbridge	321	320	31,300	1.02%
Craigavon	652	649	60,500	1.07%
Dungannon	476	473	35,700	1.32%
Newry & Mourne	927	920	63,600	1.45%
Derry	1,064	1,057	77,000	1.37%
Fermanagh	556	551	43,300	1.27%
Limavady	284	283	23,500	1.20%
Omagh	544	539	35,300	1.53%
Strabane	480	473	28,300	1.67%
Missing postcode	436	433

Note: Approximately 2% of records on the February 2001 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.

* = Mid 2000 estimates. Population aged 16 and over

.. = Not available



**C6 Number of recipients of Severe Disablement Allowance
at 28 February 2001 by dependency**

	All Persons	Men	Women
All Persons			
All Cases	15,397	6,798	8,599
No Dependants	15,132	6,645	8,487
Adult Dependant only	48	43	5
Adult and:			
1 child	10	9	1
2 children	13	13	0
3 children	5	5	0
4 children	4	3	1
5 or more children	3	3	0
No Adult and:			
1 child	93	32	61
2 children	50	21	29
3 children	22	13	9
4 children	9	7	2
5 or more children	8	4	4
Total number of children	419	239	180

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
28 February 2001 by total weekly amounts in payment**

	Number of Recipients	Total weekly amount paid £	Average weekly amount paid £
All in receipt of SDA	15,397	795,636	51.67
Of which:			
In receipt of Age Related Addition	15,326	189,871	12.39



C8 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at 28 February 2001, by reason exempt from Personal Capability Assessment

	All Persons
All Exempt	14,738
DLA High Care rate	1,285
Severe Sickness	1,473
Other reason ⁽¹⁾	398
In receipt of SDA at 12.4.95	11,582

(1) other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports



C9 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at 28 February 2001, by Diagnosis Group *

	All SDA	% of all SDA	Men	Women
All Cases	15,507	100.0%	6,851	8,656
Claimants without any diagnosis code on the system	13	0.1%	7	6
Certain infectious and Parasitic Diseases (A00 - B99)	63	0.4%	23	40
Neoplasms (C00 - D48)	129	0.8%	40	89
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)	150	1.0%	55	95
Mental and Behavioural Disorders (F00 - F99)	6,056	39.1%	3,032	3,024
Diseases of the Nervous System (G00 - G99)	1,529	9.9%	621	908
Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa (H00 - H59)	225	1.5%	91	134
Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process (H60 - H95)	161	1.0%	60	101
Disease of the Circulatory System (I00 - I99)	776	5.0%	268	508
Diseases of the Respiratory System (J00 - J99)	384	2.5%	100	284
Diseases of the Digestive System (K00 - K93)	114	0.7%	37	77
Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous System (L00 - L99)	51	0.3%	13	38
Diseases of the Musculoskeletal system and Connective Tissue (M00 - M99)	1,443	9.3%	319	1,124
Diseases of the Genitourinary System (N00 - N99)	87	0.6%	31	56
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)	1,074	6.9%	587	487
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified (R00 - R99)	2,259	14.6%	976	1,283
Injury, Poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00 - U22)	338	2.2%	211	127
Factors influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services (Z00 - Z99)	634	4.1%	373	261

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



C10 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at 28 February 2001, by age, sex, and duration of benefit

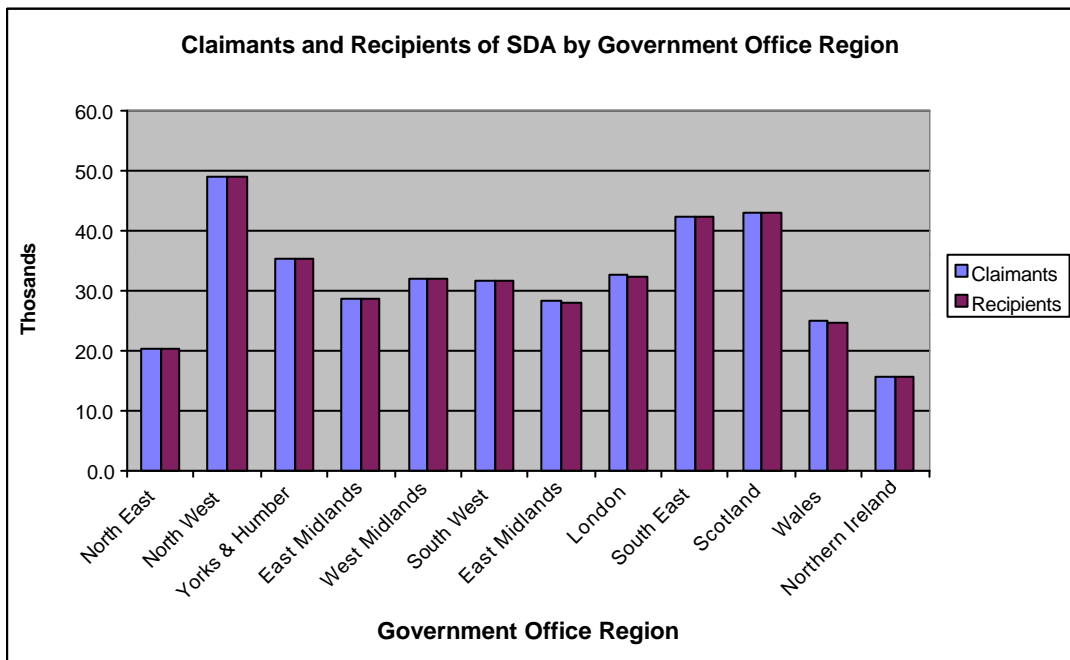
	All IB	Under 3 months	3 to under 6 months	6 to under 12 months	1 to under 2 years	2 to under 4 years	4 years and over
All Persons							
All Ages	15,507	46	100	297	598	1,338	13,128
Under 20	628	21	40	119	198	249	1
20-24	1,104	1	14	27	79	249	734
25-29	1,320	3	4	14	33	99	1167
30-34	1,485	2	4	15	21	79	1364
35-39	1,619	3	9	21	59	108	1419
40-44	1,571	3	5	28	53	103	1379
45-49	1,482	5	8	16	49	105	1299
50-54	1,633	5	5	21	33	106	1463
55-59	1,715	0	7	26	41	140	1501
60-64	1,206	2	3	9	24	77	1091
65 and over	1,744	1	1	1	8	23	1710
Men							
All Ages	6,851	20	51	139	275	591	5,775
Under 20	372	11	22	75	112	152	0
20-24	599	1	10	18	41	126	403
25-29	722	2	2	5	15	53	645
30-34	828	1	2	6	8	40	771
35-39	872	0	5	7	29	46	785
40-44	715	0	2	9	23	34	647
45-49	635	2	4	5	13	33	578
50-54	603	2	1	5	8	32	555
55-59	549	0	2	4	16	37	490
60-64	456	0	0	5	8	29	414
65 and over	500	1	1	0	2	9	487
Women							
All Ages	8,656	26	49	158	323	747	7,353
Under 20	256	10	18	44	86	97	1
20-24	505	0	4	9	38	123	331
25-29	598	1	2	9	18	46	522
30-34	657	1	2	9	13	39	593
35-39	747	3	4	14	30	62	634
40-44	856	3	3	19	30	69	732
45-49	847	3	4	11	36	72	721
50-54	1,030	3	4	16	25	74	908
55-59	1,166	0	5	22	25	103	1011
60 and over	1,994	2	3	5	22	62	1900



C11 Number of claimants and recipients of Severe Disablement Allowance at 28 February 2001 by Government Office Region

Thousands

	Claimants	Recipients
All Persons		
All Cases (Great Britain)	367.7	367.0
North East	20.3	20.3
North West	48.9	48.8
Yorks & Humber	35.2	35.1
East Midlands	28.6	28.6
West Midlands	32.0	31.9
South West	31.6	31.5
East Midlands	28.1	28.0
London	32.4	32.3
South East	42.4	42.3
England	299.5	298.9
Scotland	42.9	42.9
Wales	24.8	24.7
Northern Ireland	15.5	15.4
Overseas	0.5	0.5



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