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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 May 2002, with a more in-depth analysis for May 2002.

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 – May 2002

At the end of May 2002 there were 105,135 **IB claimants**, up 4,146 (4.1%) on the previous year. Of these, 70,872 were in receipt of the benefit, a 0.7% increase on the previous twelve months. The corresponding figure for Great Britain as a whole was down (1.2%) on the previous year.

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

- Numbers on **short term lower rate** in the year fell to 4,089.
- Numbers on **short term higher rate** in the year fell to 4,523.
- Numbers on **long term rate** in the year rose to 63,084.

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

Total **terminations** averaged 1,685 per month during the latest quarter (see table A5); 29% 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 24% due to the Personal Capability Assessment.

There has been a 75% 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.

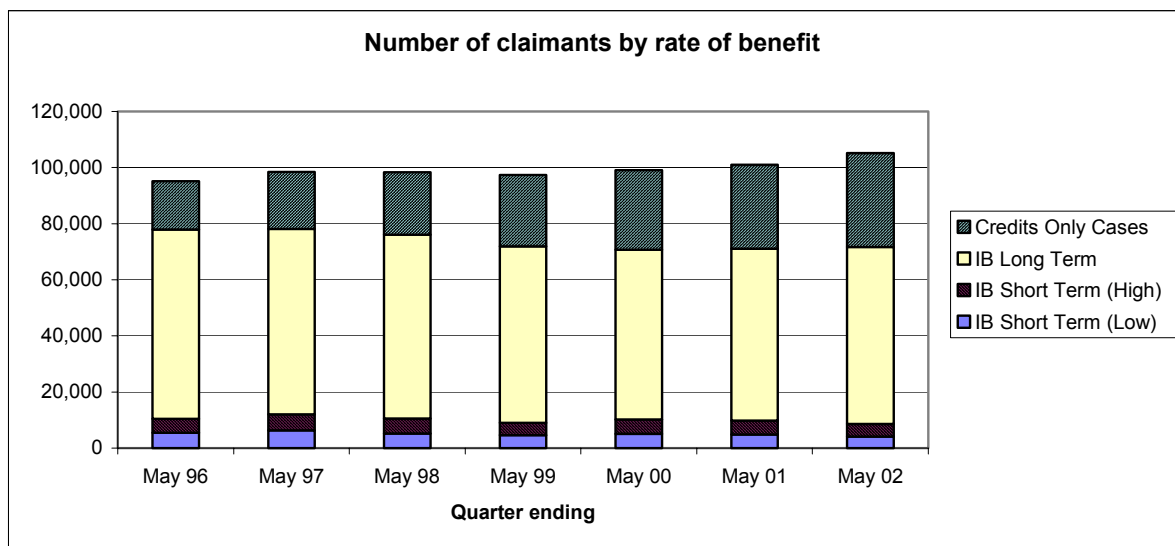
At the end of May 2002 there were 21,052 IB recipients exempt from the Personal Capability Assessment, up almost (5%) on the previous year.

Numbers claiming SDA remain constant (see table C1). This is also the case for Great Britain as a whole. At the end of May 2002 there were 14,412 claimants and 14,371 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
	May	100,989	4,854	4,888	61,278	28,931	32,347	29,969
	Aug	103,253	4,987	5,201	61,743	28,094	33,649	31,322
	Nov	103,667	4,260	5,098	62,112	27,311	34,801	32,197
2002	Feb	102,821	4,049	4,531	61,914	26,520	35,394	32,327
	May	105,135	4,089	4,523	63,084	25,730	37,354	33,439



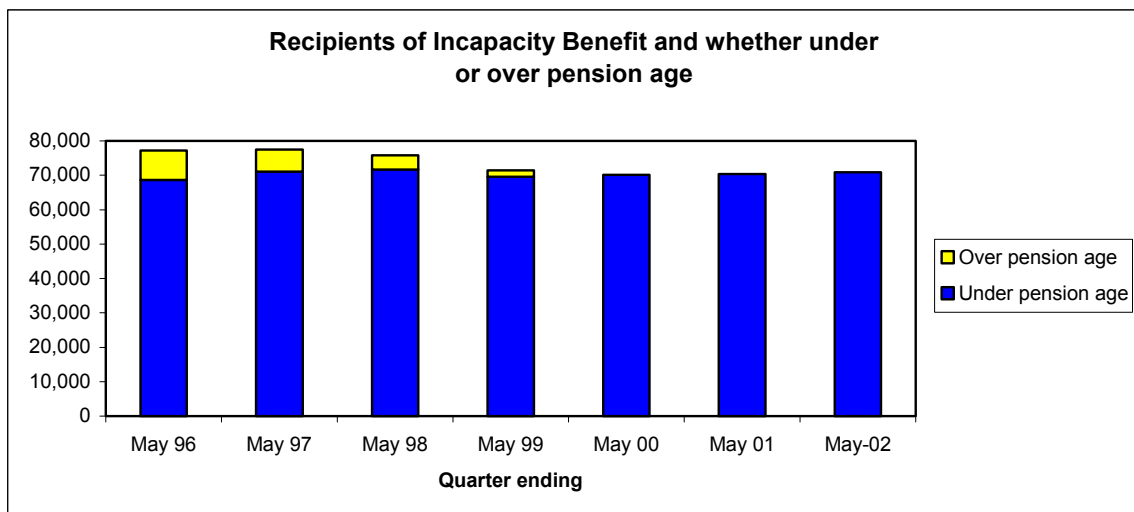
A2 Incapacity Benefit claimants by rate of benefit and split between ex-IVB and other claimants

		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%
	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%
	May	100,989	4.8%	4.8%	28.6%	32.0%	29.7%
	Aug	103,253	4.8%	5.0%	27.2%	32.6%	30.3%
	Nov	103,667	4.1%	4.9%	26.3%	33.6%	31.1%
2002	Feb	102,821	3.9%	4.4%	25.8%	34.4%	31.4%
	May	105,135	3.9%	4.3%	24.5%	35.5%	31.8%

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
May	70,344	70,343	1	4,412	4,790	61,142	81.03	52.50	63.35	84.48
Aug	71,333	71,333	0	4,598	5,092	61,643	80.59	52.20	62.96	84.16
Nov	70,905	70,904	1	3,922	4,992	61,991	80.43	52.11	62.24	83.69
2002 Feb	69,877	69,858	19	3,694	4,394	61,789	80.47	51.98	62.01	83.49
May	70,872	70,872	0	3,618	4,364	62,890	81.61	52.76	63.05	84.55

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



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

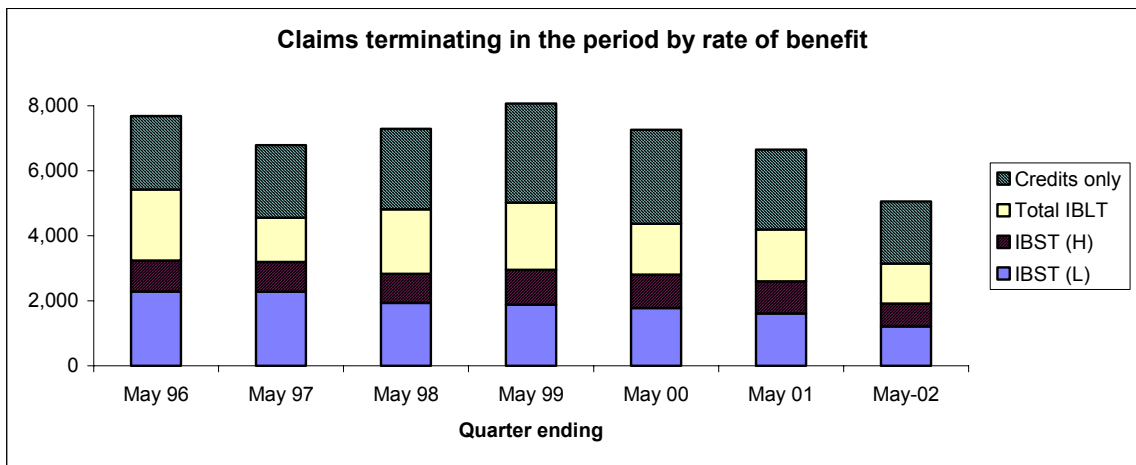
		Number of recipients					
Quarter ending	Total	Total under pension age	Total over pension age	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	
1996	Feb	77,930	88.3%	11.7%	6.6%	5.9%	87.5%
	May	77,193	88.9%	11.1%	6.7%	6.3%	87.0%
	Aug	76,520	89.5%	10.5%	6.7%	6.5%	86.8%
	Nov	77,082	90.4%	9.6%	8.0%	6.4%	85.6%
1997	Feb	77,439	91.0%	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%
	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%
	May	70,344	100.0%	0.0%	6.3%	6.8%	86.9%
	Aug	71,333	100.0%	0.0%	6.4%	7.1%	86.4%
	Nov	70,905	100.0%	0.0%	5.5%	7.0%	87.4%
2002	Feb	69,877	100.0%	0.0%	5.3%	6.3%	88.4%
	May	70,872	100.0%	0.0%	5.1%	6.2%	88.7%

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			IBST (L)	IBLT					
		PCA*	Own occ. test	Other reason**		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
	May	6,650	2,684	72	3,894	1,608	997	1,587	285	1,302	2,458
	Aug	4,770	1,303	43	3,424	1,211	688	1,049	244	805	1,822
	Nov	6,378	2,123	68	4,187	1,445	902	1,614	287	1,327	2,417
2001	Feb	5,989	2,647	40	3,302	1,268	948	1,516	222	1,294	2,257
	May	5,056	1,486	37	3,533	1,211	707	1,231	230	1,001	1,907

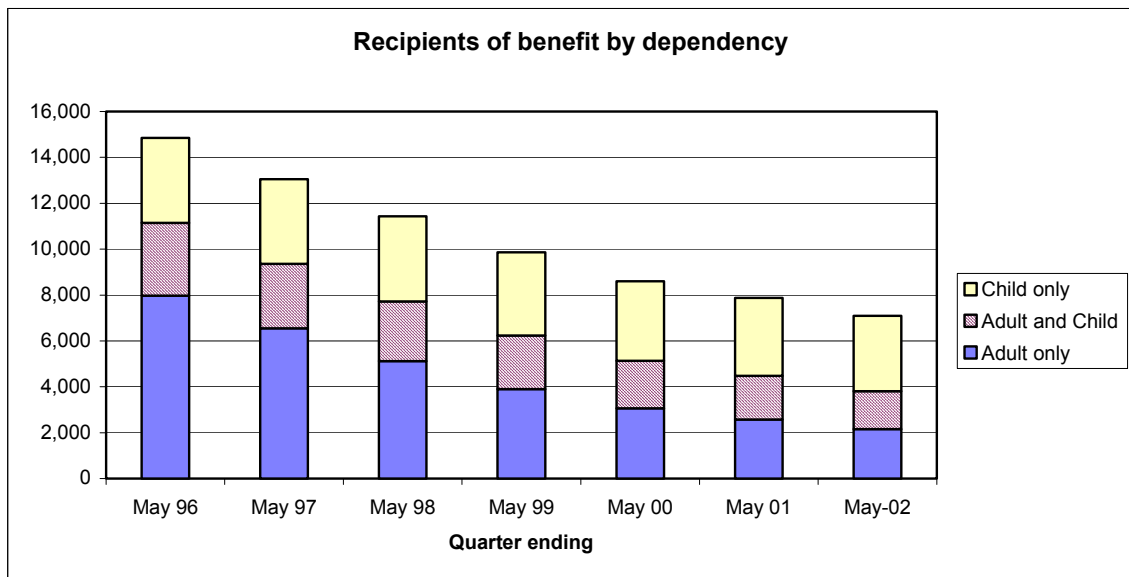
Notes: ** Includes "Failure to return questionnaire" and "Did not attend BAMS"
 Due to operational procedures a small number of All Work Test PCA terminations appear in "Other reason".
 * Personal Capability Assessment' formerly the 'all work test'



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
	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
	May	70,344	62,467	2,578	1,901	3,398	9,920
	Aug	71,333	63,581	2,433	1,865	3,454	9,886
	Nov	70,905	63,551	2,367	1,725	3,262	9,117
2002	Feb	69,877	62,708	2,266	1,660	3,243	8,952
	May	70,872	63,785	2,147	1,662	3,278	8,993

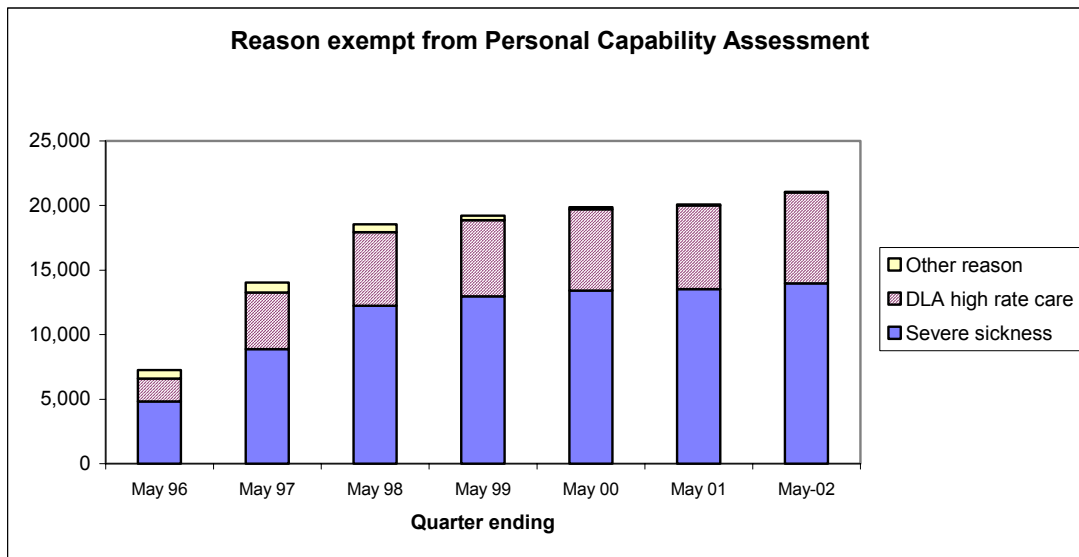
Note: Table does not reflect dependency status of all IB claimants, but only those who have declared dependants for benefit purposes.



A7 Incapacity Benefit recipients by reason exempt from Personal Capability Assessment

Claimants exempt from PCA by reason					
Year	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	18,120	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
	May	20,087	13,534	6,470	83
	Aug	20,155	13,550	6,539	66
	Nov	20,343	13,673	6,615	55
2002	Feb	20,405	13,685	6,674	46
	May	21,052	13,968	7,043	41

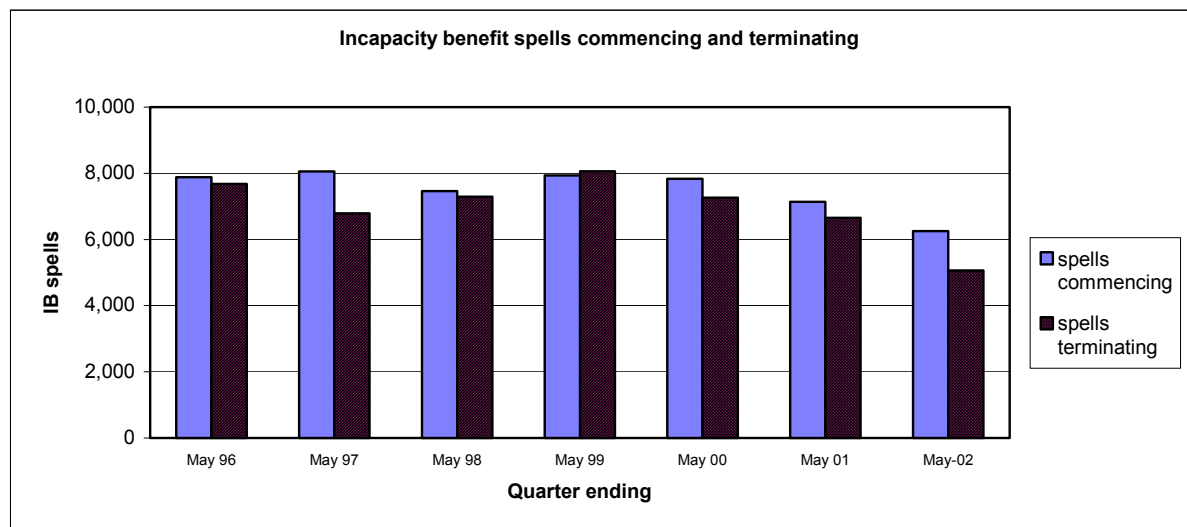
Notes: From April 2000 the Personal Capability Assessment replaced the 'All Work Test'
 (1) excludes exempt because claimant over 58 and in receipt of IVB since Dec 93
 (2) other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports



A8 Incapacity Benefit spells commencing and terminating in the quarter

	Quarter ending	Spells Commencing	Spells Terminating	Average duration of terminated 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
	May	7,131	6,650	469	1.07
	Aug	6,864	4,770	474	1.44
	Nov	7,094	6,378	475	1.11
2002	Feb	5,462	5,989	471	0.91
	May	6,251	5,056	533	1.24

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 May 2002, 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	105,135	4,089	4,523	63,084	25,730	37,354	33,439
Under 20	1,970	79	79	566	0	566	1246
20-24	4,574	394	223	847	0	847	3110
25-29	5,389	486	395	1725	62	1663	2783
30-34	8,340	491	494	4000	827	3173	3355
35-39	10,908	475	562	5708	1897	3811	4163
40-44	12,261	480	559	7023	2810	4213	4199
45-49	13,099	398	520	7933	3493	4440	4248
50-54	15,957	450	621	10396	4650	5746	4490
55-59	20,249	532	706	14562	6803	7759	4449
60-64	12,388	304	364	10324	5188	5136	1396
65 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Men							
All Ages	63,607	2,723	2,681	38,319	15,514	22,805	19,884
Under 20	1,018	50	41	324	0	324	603
20-24	2,602	234	116	438	0	438	1814
25-29	3,025	265	224	767	15	752	1769
30-34	4,383	258	250	1616	237	1379	2259
35-39	6,004	306	315	2580	654	1926	2803
40-44	6,771	347	310	3627	1234	2393	2487
45-49	7,222	272	289	4375	1817	2558	2286
50-54	8,552	296	341	5710	2425	3285	2205
55-59	11,642	391	431	8558	3944	4614	2262
60-64	12,388	304	364	10324	5188	5136	1396
65 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Women							
All Ages	41,528	1,366	1,842	24,765	10,216	14,549	13,555
Under 20	952	29	38	242	0	242	643
20-24	1,972	160	107	409	0	409	1296
25-29	2,364	221	171	958	47	911	1014
30-34	3,957	233	244	2384	590	1794	1096
35-39	4,904	169	247	3128	1243	1885	1360
40-44	5,490	133	249	3396	1576	1820	1712
45-49	5,877	126	231	3558	1676	1882	1962
50-54	7,405	154	280	4686	2225	2461	2285
55-59	8,607	141	275	6004	2859	3145	2187
60 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

**B1 Number of recipients of Incapacity
Benefit at 31 May 2002, 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	70,872	3,618	4,364	62,890	25,713	37,177
Under 20	680	58	68	554	0	554
20-24	1,370	315	214	841	0	841
25-29	2,521	423	382	1716	61	1655
30-34	4,895	425	487	3983	826	3157
35-39	6,657	422	546	5689	1893	3796
40-44	7,977	436	541	7000	2806	4194
45-49	8,768	353	506	7909	3489	4420
50-54	11,376	411	602	10363	4648	5715
55-59	15,687	490	674	14523	6803	7720
60-64	10,941	285	344	10312	5187	5125
65 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0
Men						
All Ages	43,138	2,392	2,570	38,176	15,501	22,675
Under 20	397	43	35	319	0	319
20-24	734	185	113	436	0	436
25-29	1,194	217	217	760	14	746
30-34	2,060	210	247	1603	237	1366
35-39	3,134	266	302	2566	652	1914
40-44	4,220	313	300	3607	1231	2376
45-49	4,870	240	276	4354	1813	2541
50-54	6,290	274	328	5688	2423	3265
55-59	9,298	359	408	8531	3944	4587
60-64	10,941	285	344	10312	5187	5125
65 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0
Women						
All Ages	27,734	1,226	1,794	24,714	10,212	14,502
Under 20	283	15	33	235	0	235
20-24	636	130	101	405	0	405
25-29	1,327	206	165	956	47	909
30-34	2,835	215	240	2380	589	1791
35-39	3,523	156	244	3123	1241	1882
40-44	3,757	123	241	3393	1575	1818
45-49	3,898	113	230	3555	1676	1879
50-54	5,086	137	274	4675	2225	2450
55-59	6,389	131	266	5992	2859	3133
60 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0

**B2 Number of terminations of Incapacity Benefit
in the period 1 March 2002 to 31 May 2002,
by rate of benefit and reason**

	All cases	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT			Credits only
				Total IBLT	Ex-IVB IBLT	Other IBLT	
All Persons	5,056	1,211	707	1,231	230	1,001	1,907
Closed Certificate	2,187	986	336	232	18	214	633
Death of Claimant	259	6	9	160	81	79	84
At request of claimant	267	87	29	54	2	52	97
Failure to attend medical	210	7	18	44	3	41	141
Failure to provide information	262	9	19	35	4	31	199
Not incapable Own Occ Test	37	22	0	0	0	0	15
Not incapable PCA	1,486	36	220	588	91	497	642
Return to work	160	32	67	61	3	58	0
Other	188	26	9	57	28	29	96

**B3 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
31 May 2002, 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	105,135	2,491	2,914	39,075	20,353	1,030,400	10.20%
Ards	3,561	144	200	2364	853	45,500	7.83%
Belfast	20,506	637	736	11008	8125	165,800	12.37%
Castlereagh	2,942	117	168	2040	617	40,200	7.32%
Down	3,491	126	130	2183	1052	38,400	9.09%
Lisburn	5,376	200	265	3271	1640	68,500	7.85%
North Down	2,692	99	144	1810	639	45,700	5.89%
Antrim	2,376	126	135	1405	710	32,900	7.22%
Ballymena	2,924	158	140	1769	857	37,000	7.90%
Ballymoney	1,600	54	71	1022	453	15,900	10.06%
Carrickfergus	1,767	66	122	1193	386	23,800	7.42%
Coleraine	2,789	100	136	1653	900	34,300	8.13%
Cookstown	2,581	97	94	1585	805	19,200	13.44%
Larne	1,629	84	78	1004	463	18,900	8.62%
Magherafelt	2,393	101	90	1563	639	23,300	10.27%
Moyle	947	30	36	578	303	9,300	10.18%
Newtownabbey	3,990	188	229	2553	1020	50,700	7.87%
Armagh	3,269	164	140	2074	891	33,100	9.88%
Banbridge	2,347	119	107	1582	539	25,700	9.13%
Craigavon	5,709	260	241	3825	1383	48,900	11.67%
Dungannon	3,327	137	139	1994	1057	29,300	11.35%
Newry & Mourne	6,243	256	243	3480	2264	52,400	11.91%
Derry	8,858	237	271	4965	3385	65,300	13.57%
Fermanagh	2,837	122	142	1629	944	34,300	8.27%
Limavady	2,048	76	78	1239	655	19,700	10.40%
Omagh	3,447	137	140	2106	1064	29,100	11.85%
Strabane	3,269	148	132	1901	1088	23,200	14.09%
Missing postcode	2,217	106	116	1288	707

* = 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 May 2002 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.

**B3 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 May 2002, 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	70,872	2,537	3,143	44,362	1,030,400	6.88%
Ards	2,681	131	192	2358	45,500	5.89%
Belfast	12,213	529	703	10981	165,800	7.37%
Castlereagh	2,300	104	160	2036	40,200	5.72%
Down	2,413	111	123	2179	38,400	6.28%
Lisburn	3,691	170	260	3261	68,500	5.39%
North Down	2,037	89	141	1807	45,700	4.46%
Antrim	1,645	111	131	1403	32,900	5.00%
Ballymena	2,038	138	137	1763	37,000	5.51%
Ballymoney	1,134	47	69	1018	15,900	7.13%
Carrickfergus	1,366	58	116	1192	23,800	5.74%
Coleraine	1,864	90	126	1648	34,300	5.43%
Cookstown	1,755	90	90	1575	19,200	9.14%
Larne	1,159	80	78	1001	18,900	6.13%
Magherafelt	1,736	89	89	1558	23,300	7.45%
Moyle	637	25	36	576	9,300	6.85%
Newtownabbey	2,940	173	219	2548	50,700	5.80%
Armagh	2,357	155	135	2067	33,100	7.12%
Banbridge	1,798	113	103	1582	25,700	7.00%
Craigavon	4,278	234	235	3809	48,900	8.75%
Dungannon	2,249	128	133	1988	29,300	7.68%
Newry & Mourne	3,940	233	237	3470	52,400	7.52%
Derry	5,389	187	258	4944	65,300	8.25%
Fermanagh	1,871	112	138	1621	34,300	5.45%
Limavady	1,379	71	76	1232	19,700	7.00%
Omagh	2,361	123	137	2101	29,100	8.11%
Strabane	2,150	131	127	1892	23,200	9.27%
Missing postcode	1,491	96	115	1280

* = 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 May 2002 dataset had missing or invalid postcodes, without which district council cannot be assigned.

**B4 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 May 2002 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	70,872	3,618	4,364	62,890	25,713	37,177
No Dependants	63,785	3,558	4,196	56,031	21,683	34,348
Adult Dependant only	2,147	60	14	2,073	1,830	243
Adult and:						
1 child	805	0	26	779	355	424
2 children	464	0	17	447	186	261
3 children	257	0	10	247	98	149
4 children	101	0	7	94	35	59
5 or more children	35	0	1	34	11	23
No Adult and:						
1 child	1,607	0	40	1,567	778	789
2 children	1,008	0	33	975	452	523
3 children	461	0	15	446	186	260
4 children	150	0	4	146	73	73
5 or more children	52	0	1	51	26	25
Total number of children	8,993	0	295	8,698	3,903	4,795

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 May 2002 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	43,138	2,392	2,570	38,176	15,501	22,675
No Dependants	37,435	2,335	2,445	32,655	12,169	20,486
Adult Dependant only	2,109	57	14	2,038	1,800	238
Adult and:						
1 child	770	0	24	746	338	408
2 children	426	0	16	410	168	242
3 children	241	0	9	232	90	142
4 children	92	0	7	85	31	54
5 or more children	32	0	0	32	11	21
No Adult and:						
1 child	998	0	23	975	485	490
2 children	614	0	21	593	260	333
3 children	289	0	8	281	96	185
4 children	104	0	2	102	41	61
5 or more children	28	0	1	27	12	15
Total number of children	6,557	0	213	6,344	2,659	3,685

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 May 2002 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	27,734	1,226	1,794	24,714	10,212	14,502
No Dependants	26,350	1,223	1,751	23,376	9,514	13,862
Adult Dependant only	38	3	0	35	30	5
Adult and:						
1 child	35	0	2	33	17	16
2 children	38	0	1	37	18	19
3 children	16	0	1	15	8	7
4 children	9	0	0	9	4	5
5 or more children	3	0	1	2	0	2
No Adult and:						
1 child	609	0	17	592	293	299
2 children	394	0	12	382	192	190
3 children	172	0	7	165	90	75
4 children	46	0	2	44	32	12
5 or more children	24	0	0	24	14	10
Total number of children	2,436	0	82	2,354	1,244	1,110

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 May 2002
by rate of benefit, and weekly amounts in payment**

	All Recipients	Total weekly amount paid £	Average weekly amount paid £
All Persons			
All IB Rates	70,872	5,783,646	81.61
IBST(L)	3,618	190,893	52.76
IBST(H)	4,364	275,171	63.05
IBLT (All)	62,890	5,317,582	84.55
IBLT (Ex-IVB)	25,713	2,399,717	93.33
Invalidity Allowance	16,422	172,400	10.50
Additional Pension	18,657	288,238	15.45
Graduated Retirement Benefit	0	0	0.00
IBLT (Other)	37,177	2,917,865	78.49
Incapacity Age Addition	16,858	191,316	11.35

**B6 Number of recipients of Incapacity Benefit at
31 May 2002 by rate of benefit and
reason exempt from the Personal Capability Assessment**

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST (H)	IBLT
All Persons	21,052	72	337	20,643
Severe Sickness	13,968	46	230	13,692
DLA High Care rate	7,043	25	105	6,913
Other reason ⁽¹⁾	41	1	2	38

(1) other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports

B7 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at 31 May 2002, by Diagnosis Group*

	All IB	% of all IB	Men	Women
All Cases	105,135	100.0%	63,607	41,528
Claimants without any diagnosis code on the system	120	0.1%	75	45
Certain infectious and Parasitic Diseases (A00 - B99)	875	0.8%	530	345
Neoplasms (C00 - D48)	1,160	1.1%	601	559
Diseases of the Blood and Blood forming organs and certain diseases involving the immune mechanism (D50 - D89)	267	0.3%	130	137
Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases (E00 -E90)	1,436	1.4%	940	496
Mental and Behavioural Disorders (F00 - F99)	35,274	33.6%	19,297	15,977
Diseases of the Nervous System (G00 - G99)	4,253	4.0%	2,322	1,931
Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa (H00 -H59)	477	0.5%	357	120
Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process (H60 - H95)	436	0.4%	276	160
Disease of the Circulatory System (I00 - I99)	9,147	8.7%	7,266	1,881
Diseases of the Respiratory System (J00 - J99)	3,100	2.9%	1,927	1,173
Diseases of the Digestive System (K00 - K93)	1,907	1.8%	1,242	665
Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous System (L00 - L99)	1,161	1.1%	725	436
Diseases of the Musculoskeletal system and Connective Tissue (M00 - M99)	22,230	21.1%	13,331	8,899
Diseases of the Genitourinary System (N00 - N99)	872	0.8%	346	526
Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium (O00 - O99)	861	0.8%	6	855
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (P00 - P96)	3	0.0%	0	3
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities (Q00 - Q99)	226	0.2%	134	92
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified (R00 - R99)	12,806	12.2%	7,559	5,247
Injury, Poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00 - U22)	7,637	7.3%	5,922	1,715
Factors influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services (Z00 - Z99)	887	0.8%	621	266

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

**B8 Number of claimants of Incapacity
Benefit at 31 May 2002, 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	105,135	5,533	5,668	8,926	13,343	19,449	52,216
Under 20	1,970	337	357	493	505	277	1
20-24	4,574	558	618	860	1112	901	525
25-29	5,389	487	537	805	1030	1231	1299
30-34	8,340	617	672	908	1306	1780	3057
35-39	10,908	696	694	1084	1505	2225	4704
40-44	12,261	707	679	1057	1615	2381	5822
45-49	13,099	625	625	1030	1554	2460	6805
50-54	15,957	631	592	1073	1764	2908	8989
55-59	20,249	615	635	1131	1983	3457	12428
60-64	12,388	260	259	485	969	1829	8586
65 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Men							
All Ages	63,607	3,383	3,465	5,377	7,975	11,909	31,498
Under 20	1,018	173	183	241	262	159	0
20-24	2,602	350	356	503	624	490	279
25-29	3,025	285	314	473	583	711	659
30-34	4,383	347	388	561	746	953	1388
35-39	6,004	419	447	679	900	1341	2218
40-44	6,771	448	430	613	902	1386	2992
45-49	7,222	367	366	587	852	1394	3656
50-54	8,552	349	332	596	938	1583	4754
55-59	11,642	385	390	639	1199	2063	6966
60-64	12,388	260	259	485	969	1829	8586
65 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Women							
All Ages	41,528	2,150	2,203	3,549	5,368	7,540	20,718
Under 20	952	164	174	252	243	118	1
20-24	1,972	208	262	357	488	411	246
25-29	2,364	202	223	332	447	520	640
30-34	3,957	270	284	347	560	827	1669
35-39	4,904	277	247	405	605	884	2486
40-44	5,490	259	249	444	713	995	2830
45-49	5,877	258	259	443	702	1,066	3149
50-54	7,405	282	260	477	826	1,325	4235
55-59	8,607	230	245	492	784	1,394	5462
60 and over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

**B9 Number of claimants of Incapacity Benefit at
31 May 2002, by rate of benefit
and Government Office Region**

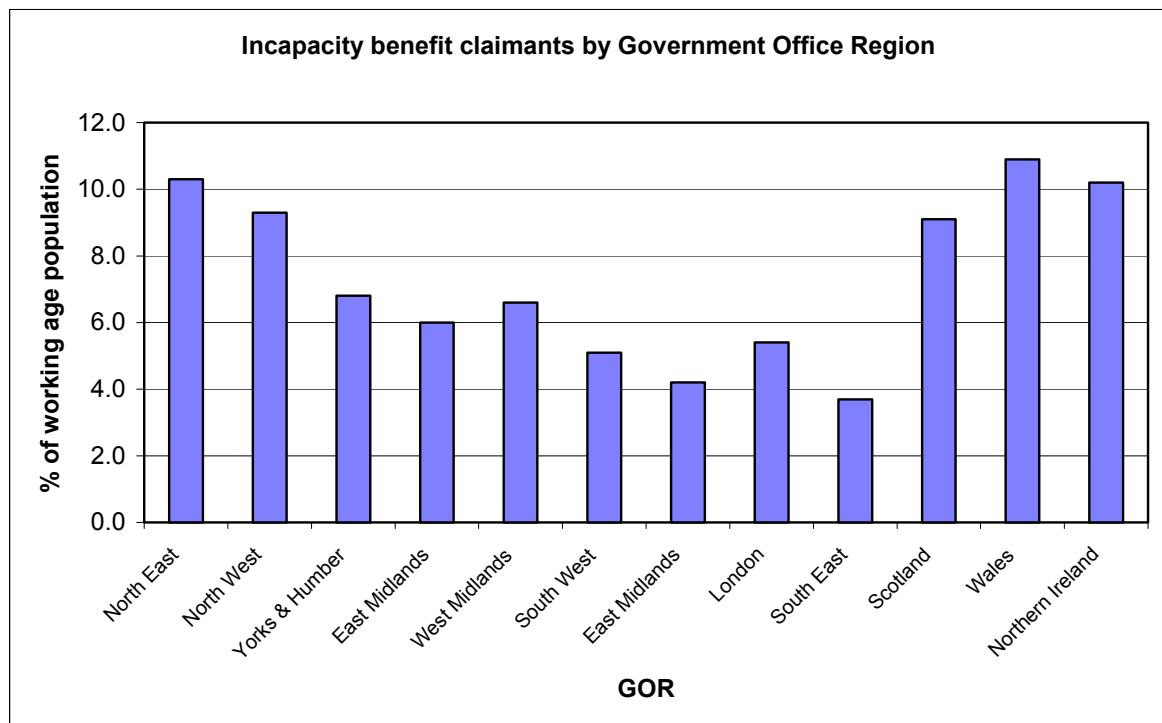
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Thousands

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	Credits only	All IB as % of working age population
All Cases (GB)	2,365.7	90.0	86.6	1,347.0	842.1	6.6
North East	163.2	6.4	6.2	100.1	50.5	10.3
North West	393.1	15.0	13.5	227.3	137.4	9.3
Yorks & Humber	211.3	8.8	7.8	124.7	70.0	6.8
East Midlands	155.0	5.8	6.1	96.5	46.5	6.0
West Midlands	216.5	8.8	9.6	125.8	72.3	6.6
South West	151.2	6.8	5.1	84.9	54.3	5.1
Eastern	141.2	5.8	6.1	80.7	48.6	4.2
London	259.1	6.7	6.7	104.8	140.9	5.4
South East	183.4	7.2	7.3	100.6	68.2	3.7
England	1,874.0	71.5	68.5	1,045.3	688.7	6.0
Scotland	289.0	11.6	10.6	168.9	97.9	9.1
Wales	193.2	6.9	7.3	124.2	54.8	10.9
Northern Ireland	105.1	4.1	4.5	63.1	33.4	10.2
Overseas	9.5	-	0.2*	8.7	0.6	0.0

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
31 May 2002, by rate of benefit
and Government Office Region**

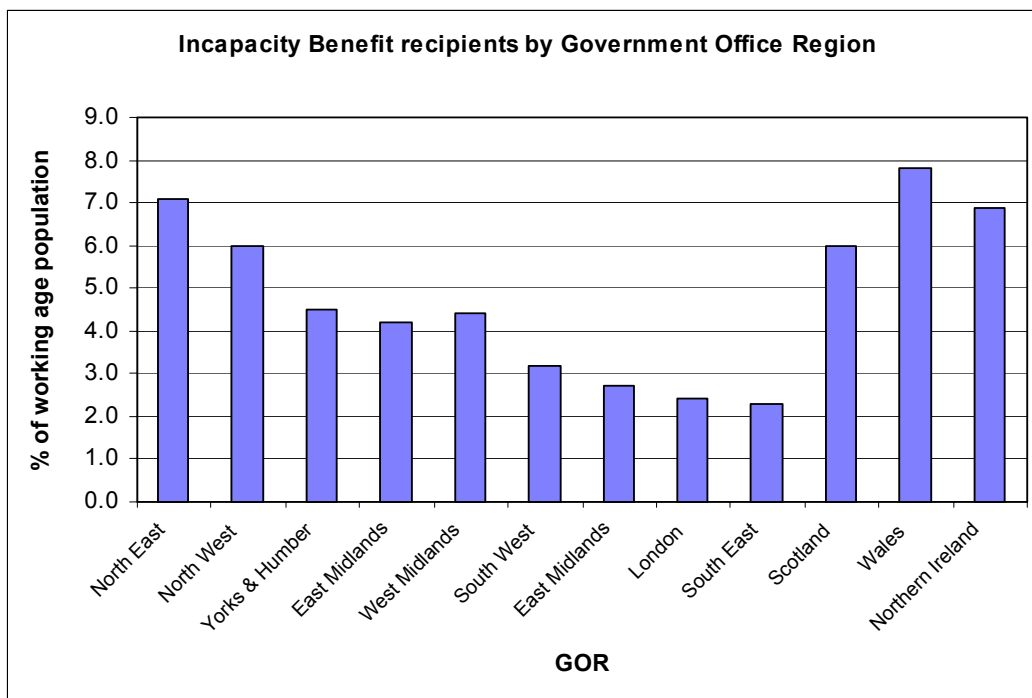
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Thousands

	All IB	IBST(L)	IBST(H)	IBLT	All IB as % of working age population
All Cases (GB)	1,514.4	86.3	84.6	1,343.5	4.2
North East	112.2	6.2	6.1	99.9	7.1
North West	254.4	14.5	13.2	226.7	6.0
Yorks & Humber	140.3	8.4	7.6	124.3	4.5
East Midlands	107.7	5.5	6.0	96.2	4.2
West Midlands	143.8	8.7	9.5	125.6	4.4
South West	96.3	6.7	5.1	84.6	3.2
Eastern	91.7	5.4	5.9	80.4	2.7
London	117.3	6.3	6.6	104.4	2.4
South East	114.2	6.9	7.0	100.2	2.3
England	1,178.0	68.6	66.9	1,042.5	3.8
Scotland	190.0	11.1	10.4	168.5	6.0
Wales	137.6	6.7	7.0	123.9	7.8
Northern Ireland	70.9	3.6	4.4	62.9	6.9
Overseas	8.8	-	0.2*	8.6	0.0

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

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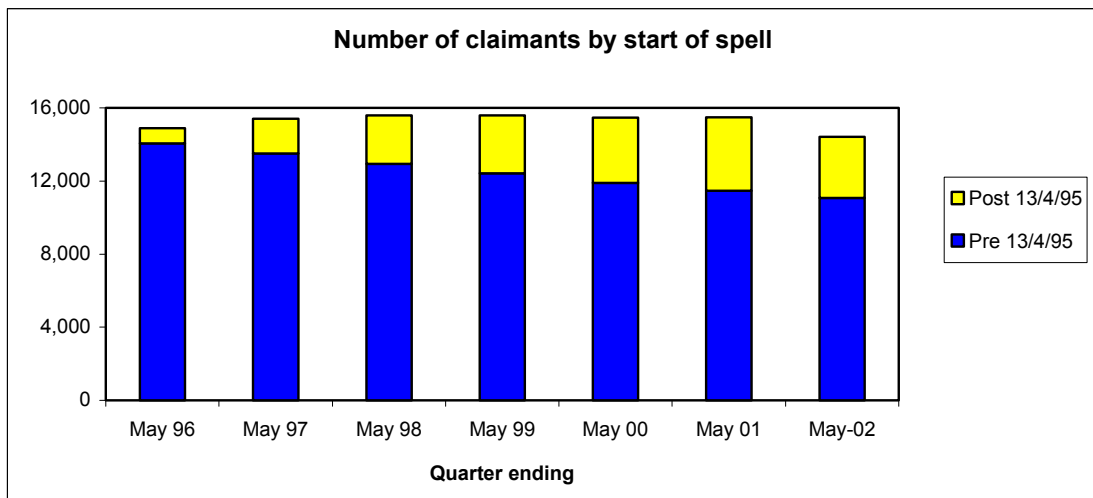


C1 Severe Disablement Allowance claimants and recipients by start of spell

	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
	May	15,494	11,467	4,027	15,384	11,452	3,932
	Aug	15,443	11,370	4,073	15,364	11,353	4,011
	Nov	15,333	11,266	4,067	15,274	11,253	4,021
2002	Feb	15,199	11,169	4,030	15,149	11,157	3,992
	May	14,412	11,070	3,342	14,371	11,057	3,314

(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 Invalidation 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%
	May	15,494	74.0%	26.0%	15,384	74.4%	25.6%
	Aug	15,443	73.6%	26.4%	15,364	73.9%	26.1%
	Nov	15,333	73.5%	26.5%	15,274	73.7%	26.3%
2002	Feb	15,199	73.5%	26.5%	15,149	73.6%	26.4%
	May	14,412	76.8%	23.2%	14,371	76.9%	23.1%

(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 May 2002
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	14,412	14,371	11,070	11,057	3,342	3,314
Under 20	3	3	0	0	3	3
20 - 24	843	836	205	204	638	632
25 - 29	1,227	1,223	904	902	323	321
30 - 34	1,423	1,418	1,181	1,180	242	238
35 - 39	1,636	1,631	1,295	1,294	341	337
40 - 44	1,546	1,541	1,194	1,192	352	349
45 - 49	1,468	1,464	1,141	1,140	327	324
50 - 54	1,565	1,560	1,244	1,242	321	318
55 - 59	1,732	1,728	1,325	1,324	407	404
60 - 64	1,154	1,152	876	874	278	278
65 and over	1,815	1,815	1,705	1,705	110	110
Men						
All Ages	6,284	6,264	4,899	4,893	1,385	1,371
Under 20	1	1	0	0	1	1
20 - 24	457	454	112	112	345	342
25 - 29	665	664	493	493	172	171
30 - 34	783	781	660	659	123	122
35 - 39	906	903	748	748	158	155
40 - 44	721	717	588	586	133	131
45 - 49	635	633	526	525	109	108
50 - 54	601	599	512	511	89	88
55 - 59	574	572	456	456	118	116
60 - 64	445	444	343	342	102	102
65 and over	496	496	461	461	35	35
Women						
All Ages	8,128	8,107	6,171	6,164	1,957	1,943
Under 20	2	2	0	0	2	2
20 - 24	386	382	93	92	293	290
25 - 29	562	559	411	409	151	150
30 - 34	640	637	521	521	119	116
35 - 39	730	728	547	546	183	182
40 - 44	825	824	606	606	219	218
45 - 49	833	831	615	615	218	216
50 - 54	964	961	732	731	232	230
55 - 59	1,158	1,156	869	868	289	288
60 and over	2,028	2,027	1,777	1,776	251	251

**C4 Number of terminations of Severe Disablement Allowance
in the period 1 June 2001 to 31 May 2002, by age and reason**

	All cases	Closed certificate	Death of claimant	At request of claimant	Other reason *
All Persons	405	49	257	15	84
All Ages					
Under 20	31	13	4	2	12
20 - 24	39	11	3	5	20
25 - 29	29	5	5	4	15
30 - 34	19	7	3	0	9
35 - 39	19	4	10	1	4
40 - 44	27	3	15	1	8
45 - 49	22	0	19	0	3
50 - 54	35	3	23	2	7
55 - 59	39	3	34	0	2
60 - 64	41	0	38	0	3
65 and over	104	0	103	0	1

* 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 May 2002, by District Council

	Claimants	Recipients	Population aged 16 and over *	Recipients as % of Population
All Persons				
All Cases	14,412	14,371	1,289,600	1.11%
Ards	421	420	56,700	0.74%
Belfast	2,422	2,419	216,900	1.12%
Castlereagh	393	392	53,000	0.74%
Down	575	574	47,700	1.20%
Lisburn	711	708	84,300	0.84%
North Down	529	529	60,600	0.87%
Antrim	656	655	39,000	1.68%
Ballymena	402	402	46,400	0.87%
Ballymoney	246	246	19,800	1.24%
Carrickfergus	290	289	29,700	0.97%
Coleraine	385	383	43,700	0.88%
Cookstown	277	277	24,000	1.15%
Larne	202	202	24,300	0.83%
Magherafelt	332	332	28,400	1.17%
Moyle	173	173	11,900	1.45%
Newtownabbey	485	485	63,600	0.76%
Armagh	571	563	41,100	1.37%
Banbridge	310	310	31,300	0.99%
Craigavon	613	611	60,500	1.01%
Dungannon	455	453	35,700	1.27%
Newry & Mourne	859	857	63,600	1.35%
Derry	1,005	999	77,000	1.30%
Fermanagh	531	529	43,300	1.22%
Limavady	276	276	23,500	1.17%
Omagh	500	498	35,300	1.41%
Strabane	446	444	28,300	1.57%
Missing postcode	347	345

Note: Approximately 2% of records on the May 2002 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 31 May 2002 by dependency

	All Persons	Men	Women
All Persons			
All Cases	14,371	6,264	8,107
No Dependants	14,129	6,127	8,002
Adult Dependant only	43	38	5
Adult and:			
1 child	12	11	1
2 children	10	10	0
3 children	3	3	0
4 children	5	3	2
5 or more children	2	2	0
No Adult and:			
1 child	89	28	61
2 children	40	18	22
3 children	23	14	9
4 children	9	7	2
5 or more children	6	3	3
Total number of children	377	212	165

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 May 2002 by total weekly amounts in payment

	Number of Recipients	Total weekly amount paid £	Average weekly amount paid £
All in receipt of SDA	14,371	780,707	54.33
Of which:			
In receipt of Age Related Addition	14,320	186,286	13.01

C8 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at 31 May 2002, by reason exempt from Personal Capability Assessment

	All Persons
All Exempt	13,857
DLA High Care rate	1,146
Severe Sickness	1,219
Other reason ⁽¹⁾	422
In receipt of SDA at 12.4.95	11,070

(1) other reason includes terminally ill and SDA passports

C9 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement Allowance at 31 May 2002, by Diagnosis Group *

	All SDA	% of all SDA	Men	Women
All Cases	14,412	100.0%	6,284	8,128
Claimants without any diagnosis code on the system	39	0.3%	20	19
Certain infectious and Parasitic Diseases (A00 - B99)	56	0.4%	22	34
Neoplasms (C00 - D48)	117	0.8%	33	84
Diseases of the Blood and Blood forming organs and certain diseases involving the immune mechanism (D50 - D89)	15	0.1%	7	8
Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases (E00 -E90)	152	1.1%	56	96
Mental and Behavioural Disorders (F00 - F99)	5,788	40.2%	2,870	2,918
Diseases of the Nervous System (G00 - G99)	1,495	10.4%	600	895
Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa (H00 -H59)	221	1.5%	93	128
Diseases of the Ear and Mastoid Process (H60 - H95)	132	0.9%	47	85
Disease of the Circulatory System (I00 - I99)	745	5.2%	248	497
Diseases of the Respiratory System (J00 - J99)	374	2.6%	89	285
Diseases of the Digestive System (K00 - K93)	119	0.8%	37	82
Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous System (L00 - L99)	60	0.4%	14	46
Diseases of the Musculoskeletal system and Connective Tissue (M00 - M99)	1,387	9.6%	299	1,088
Diseases of the Genitourinary System (N00 - N99)	83	0.6%	33	50
Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium (O00 - O99)	6	0.0%	2	4
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (P00 - P96)	0	0.0%	0	0
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities (Q00 - Q99)	974	6.8%	517	457
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Clinical and Laboratory findings, not elsewhere classified (R00 - R99)	1,775	12.3%	769	1,006
Injury, Poisoning and certain other consequences of external causes (S00 - U22)	324	2.2%	205	119
Factors influencing Health Status and Contact with Health Services (Z00 - Z99)	550	3.8%	323	227

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

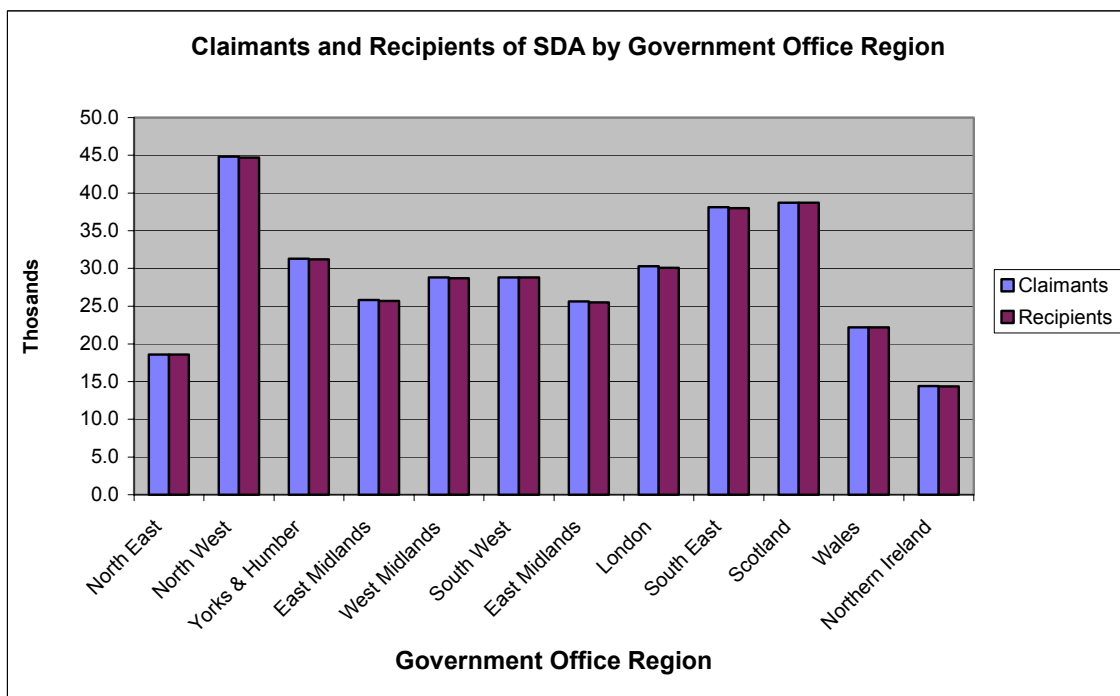
**C10 Number of claimants of Severe Disablement
Allowance at 31 May 2002, by age, sex,
and duration of benefit**

	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	14,412	16	10	36	309	827	13,214
Under 20	3	0	0	0	3	0	0
20-24	843	4	3	5	31	152	648
25-29	1,227	3	1	4	28	72	1119
30-34	1,423	0	0	4	29	68	1322
35-39	1,636	1	1	5	41	94	1494
40-44	1,546	2	0	2	41	101	1400
45-49	1,468	2	0	0	32	82	1352
50-54	1,565	0	0	2	39	80	1444
55-59	1,732	1	0	4	43	92	1592
60-64	1,154	3	5	8	17	69	1052
65 and over	1,815	0	0	2	5	17	1791
Men							
All Ages	6,284	6	2	15	116	327	5,818
Under 20	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
20-24	457	1	1	3	15	84	353
25-29	665	1	0	3	18	35	608
30-34	783	0	0	2	10	38	733
35-39	906	1	1	1	17	40	846
40-44	721	1	0	0	13	33	674
45-49	635	2	0	0	11	25	597
50-54	601	0	0	2	14	15	570
55-59	574	0	0	2	11	23	538
60-64	445	0	0	2	3	29	411
65 and over	496	0	0	0	3	5	488
Women							
All Ages	8,128	10	8	21	193	500	7,396
Under 20	2	0	0	0	2	0	0
20-24	386	3	2	2	16	68	295
25-29	562	2	1	1	10	37	511
30-34	640	0	0	2	19	30	589
35-39	730	0	0	4	24	54	648
40-44	825	1	0	2	28	68	726
45-49	833	0	0	0	21	57	755
50-54	964	0	0	0	25	65	874
55-59	1,158	1	0	2	32	69	1054
60 and over	2,028	3	5	8	16	52	1944

C11 Number of claimants and recipients of Severe Disablement Allowance at 31 May 2002 by Government Office Region

Thousands

	Claimants	Recipients
All Persons		
All Cases (Great Britain)	333.4	332.8
North East	18.6	18.6
North West	44.8	44.7
Yorks & Humber	31.3	31.2
East Midlands	25.8	25.7
West Midlands	28.8	28.7
South West	28.8	28.8
Eastern	25.6	25.5
London	30.3	30.1
South East	38.1	38.0
England	272.1	271.5
Scotland	38.7	38.7
Wales	22.2	22.2
Northern Ireland	14.4	14.4
Overseas	0.4*	0.4*



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