

# Freedom of Information request 4126/2013

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## Information request and DWP response

*What proportion of the number of Social Fund Crisis Loans that have been recovered in full over the last three financial years, namely 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 in England?*

*What proportion of the number of Social Fund Crisis Loans that have been recovered in full over the last three financial years, namely 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 in the geographical area of the Kent County?*

We do not hold information down to the level specified in the request. We do hold information at national level however we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £600. The appropriate limit has been specified in regulations and for central Government it is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Department is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.

*What proportion of the value of Social Fund Crisis Loans that have been recovered over the last three financial years, namely 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 in England?*

*What proportion of the value of Social Fund Crisis Loans that have been recovered over the last three financial years, namely 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 in geographical area of the Kent County?*

We do not hold information down to the level specified in the request. However, nationally the proportion of the value of Crisis Loans recovered in 2010-11 was 29%; the figure for 2011-12 was 28% and for 2012-13 the figure was 26%. The values quoted are the values of recoveries as a proportion of the opening debt balance for the years in question.

*What is the cut-off date/time-frame from first issuance which there are no recoveries made from previous Social Fund Crisis Loans? (i.e. are Social Fund Crisis Loans that have not been repaid or recovered ten years after issuance written off from repayment)?*

There is no cut off; all debt is repayable.

*What is the total cumulative percentage of the value of Social Fund Crisis Loans that have been recovered in each of those years up to the last year prior to the Social Fund Crisis Loans debt being repaid/recovered?*

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