

# Freedom of Information request 2013-5296

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## Information request

Under the freedom of information act, could you please provide me with the following information?

- How many disabled people are there in Yorkshire and Humber?
- What percentage of disabled people are in employment in Yorkshire and Humber? (broken down by age bracket as you see best if possible)
- What percentage of disabled people are in employment nationally? (broken down by age bracket and region please if possible)

In addition, could you please provide me with details on how all the aforementioned statistics have changed in time over a period of time, over the past 1 year would be preferable but if this is not possible then please provide the difference over a period of time suitable for you. (Stats tables with number would be perfect)

## DWP response

Statistics on employment of disabled people at regional level are published on the Nomis website [www.nomisweb.co.uk](http://www.nomisweb.co.uk), the Office for National Statistics' official website of labour market statistics, which allows you to construct your own tables.

To produce a table of the number or percentage of people in employment by disability status and region, go to NOMIS via the link above and follow the instructions below:

1. Select **Advanced Query** in the **Detailed Statistics** panel.
2. Select the dataset **Annual Population Survey / Labour Force Survey** then select **Annual Population Survey**.
3. In the **Options** panel on the left, make your choices to construct the table you require.
4. In particular, disability variables can be viewed using the **variable** link, by selecting **disability by economic activity** from the drop-down menu near the top of the page.

5. Finally click on **Download data** to produce your table.

Equivalent figures broken down by age band are not available via the NOMIS website. Requests for more detailed information of this kind should normally be directed to the Office for National Statistics, who produce the Annual Population Survey and information on how to contact them can be found here <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/site-information/information/contact-us/index.html>

However, as users of the ONS statistics we have been able to create the requested information in the attached Excel spreadsheet (**FOI 2013-5296 Response.xls**). It is important to note that figures for disabled people broken down by region and age are based on small sample sizes and will be affected by significant sample fluctuation. Consequently, changes in employment between the two periods shown in the spreadsheet should be treated with particular caution.