

Table 2:**Main applicants and dependents in receipt of Section 4 support**

Section 4 of the Immigration and Asylum 1999 Act gives the Secretary of State the power to provide support to failed asylum seekers or dependants of asylum-seekers who appear to be destitute and unable to leave the UK due to circumstances beyond their control.

Quarter	Total main applicants supported under Section 4 as at the end of the quarter	Total main applicants and dependants supported under Section 4 as at the end of the quarter
2005 Q3	7,631	..
2005 Q4	5,145	..
2006 Q1	5,436	..
2006 Q2	6,145	..
2006 Q3	5,982	..
2006 Q4	6,554	..
2007 Q1	8,782	..
2007 Q2	9,365	..
2007 Q3	9,498	..
2007 Q4	9,141	..
2008 Q1	9,367	..
2008 Q2	9,618	..
2008 Q3	10,221	..
2008 Q4	10,296	..
2009 Q1	10,850	..
2009 Q2	11,388	..
2009 Q3	12,019	..
2009 Q4	11,655	..
2010 Q1	8,661	..
2010 Q2	6,751	..
2010 Q3	4,412	..
2010 Q4	3,560	..
2011 Q1	2,702	..
2011 Q2	2,461	..
2011 Q3	2,393	..
2011 Q4	2,310	..
2012 Q1	2,232	..
2012 Q2	2,360	..
2012 Q3	2,503	..
2012 Q4	2,757	..
2013 Q1	2,967	4,162
2013 Q2	3,195	4,472

