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## Information request

Please provide the following information on the number of people asked to undergo the Genuine Prospect of Work assessments between 1st August 2014 and 31st October 2014.

- 1) The number of people who had their Jobseeker's Allowance stopped because they failed to demonstrate compelling evidence that they had a Genuine Prospect of Work.
- 2) The number of people who had their Jobseeker's Allowance reinstated upon mandatory reconsideration/appeal to the JobCentre Plus or Department of Work and Pensions.
- 3) The number of people who had their Jobseeker's Allowance reinstated upon appeal to a Tribunal.
- 4) The number of EEA nationals who had their Jobseekers' Allowance restored because they had a right to reside other than being a jobseeker or retained worker as defined in Regulation 6(4) of the Immigration (EEA) Regulations 2006.
- 5) The number of EU permanent residents who had their Jobseeker's Allowance stopped after their GPoW interview because they failed to demonstrate compelling evidence that they had a Genuine Prospect of Work.
- 6) The number of individuals with indefinite leave to remain who had their Jobseeker's Allowance stopped after their GPoW interview because they failed to demonstrate compelling evidence that they had a Genuine Prospect of Work.

## DWP response

I can confirm that the Department holds some of the information you are seeking. However, Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act exempts this information from disclosure. This is because the information is intended for publication at a future date.

This exemption requires the public interest for and against disclosure to be weighed in the balance. There is a public interest in information being released as soon as possible. However, I am satisfied that there is a strong public interest in permitting public authorities to publish information in a manner and form and at a time of their own choosing. It is a part of the effective conduct of public affairs that the general publication of information is a conveniently planned and managed activity within the reasonable control of public authorities I am satisfied that in the instance the Department has a reasonable entitlement to make its own arrangements to do so.