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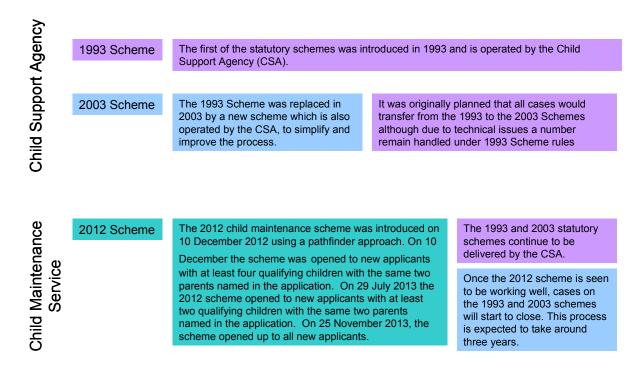
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# Introduction

The Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) is responsible for the child maintenance system in Great Britain. It funds information and support for separating parents and runs the three statutory child maintenance schemes, which calculate how much maintenance should be paid and assist with collection arrangements.



This publication contains the most up-to-date tables and breakdowns on the **1993 and 2003 schemes operated through the Child Support Agency (CSA) only**. The publication does not cover statistics on the 2012 Scheme operated by the Child Maintenance Service which are <u>published separately</u>, in line with our <u>strategy for publication</u> of 2012 Scheme information because of the differing intents of the two services.

The aim of the publication is to give an overview of the child maintenance activity operated by the Child Support Agency.

## **Uses and Users**

The Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary of Statistics is used by a wide range of stakeholders both internally and externally, for example by charitable organisations, to:

- Review and monitor performance against key areas including the number of children benefiting from maintenance, total value of money collected and arranged and the number of cases contributing towards liability
- Understand the split of cases and performance across the 1993 and 2003 statutory child maintenance schemes
- Provide a full view of child maintenance activity from application to enforcement for cases administered by the Child Support Agency.

Click for further information <u>Uses and users of the Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary of Statistics</u>

## Other useful information

- For a summarised version of the key statistics covered please read the <u>Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary Statistics first release</u>.
- Previous versions of the Summary of Statistics can be found on the <u>DWP pages of the Gov.uk</u> website.
- Experimental Statistics on the 2012 Scheme covering the period of August 2013 -February 2014 were published on 26 March 2014.

## **Help Us Improve Our Publication**

We are constantly aiming to improve this release and its associated commentary. We would welcome any feedback you might have.

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# **Overview**

The diagram below provides an overview of the child maintenance system currently operated by the Child Support Agency.

## Application

With the introduction of the new 2012 Scheme administered by the Child Maintenance Service (CMS), cases are no longer registered on the CSA administered 2003 scheme.

- Starting on 10 December 2012 all new applications with four or more children relating to the same parent with care and non-resident parent were accepted onto the 2012 scheme.
- From 29 July 2013 the 2012 Scheme was opened up to cases with two or more children, where at least two of the children related to the same non-resident parent.
- From 25 November 2013 all applications are being accepted onto the 2012 Scheme meaning, bar a small number of cases with residual handling issues, there is no new intake to the CSA 2003 Scheme.

Intake figures on the 2012 Scheme are available in the <u>Experimental Statistics on the 2012 scheme</u> publication.

#### Calculation

Following application, cases are assessed and a maintenance amount calculated. Information on clearance times is available on pages 14 and 56, with more detailed breakdowns of Intake/Clearance and Uncleared work available in Annex A. At this stage the method of collection is agreed, with payments made either via the CSA Collection Service or via a Maintenance Direct payment, which is where the maintenance calculation has been derived by the CSA and the paying parent pays child maintenance directly to the receiving parent.

#### Assessment

Once the payment schedule is in place the case moves into regular maintenance, *all cases on 1993 and 2003 scheme currently fall into this or the following stages.* Once the 2012 Scheme is working well, all cases on the 1993 and 2003 schemes will begin to close and parents will be invited to consider their options for child maintenance – they can come to their own family-based arrangement or choose to make an application to the 2012 Scheme, the case closure process is expected to take around 3 years. Changes of circumstance can occur to cases once in this phase which can lead to

changes to status or method of payment, such as moving from Collection Service to Maintenance Direct.

Information on the current caseload is available from pages 16 to 19.

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Information on the compliance rate of cases, whether the liability amount is being paid is available on pages 26 and 66.

#### Arrears

If a case is non compliant or does not pay the full amount of liability owed then maintenance arrears will begin to build.

Information on maintenance arrears can be found on pages 33 to 41.

Information on the Government's strategy for improving compliance rates and collecting arrears can be found here:

 $\underline{https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/214338/cm-arrears-and-compliance-strategy-2012-2017.pdf}$ 

#### Enforcement

Continued non-compliance and a build up of arrears will lead to enforcement action being taken; this can range from a Deduction from Earnings Order to a Custodial Sentence. Information on the enforcement actions carried out by the Department can be found on page 42.

The impact of the introduction of the 2012 Scheme is explained in the Executive Summary.

# **Terminology**

## **Total Caseload**

The total number of cases on the CSA 2003 and 1993 Schemes.

## **Live Caseload**

The total caseload minus cases with no current or ongoing liability, no arrears and no payments are being made.

## **Current Liability**

A case is classed as having a 'Current Liability' if it is open, has children of a qualifying age and has a positive liability (i.e. assessment to pay maintenance).

## **No Current Liability**

A case is classed as having 'No Current Liability' if it is open and currently has a nil liability but has at least one child of qualifying age, and therefore could have a positive liability in the future.

## **No Ongoing Liability**

A case is classed as having 'No Ongoing Liability' if there is no longer a child maintenance interest on the case i.e. the case has been cancelled/withdrawn, or there are no longer any children of a qualifying age remaining on the case.

## **Paying Towards Liability**

A case is classed as paying towards their liability if a payment has been received in the previous quarter, or the case is classed as Maintenance Direct at the end of the quarter.

## **Paying Towards Arrears**

To be classed as paying towards arrears a case must have made payments in the previous quarter that were above the liability due in that quarter.

## **Collection Service**

A case is classed as 'Collection Service' when the maintenance calculation has been derived by the CSA (after assessment of the case) and the non-resident parent pays child maintenance to the CSA. The CSA then sends this money to the parent with care.

#### **Maintenance Direct**

A case is classed as 'Maintenance Direct' when the maintenance calculation has been derived by the CSA (after assessment of the case) and the non-resident parent pays child maintenance directly to the parent with care. These cases are assumed to be fully meeting their current liability (since clients can come back to the CSA if there is a default on their payment or to request a revised calculation).

This option was Introduced 27 October 2008 and allows the non resident parent to make agreed child maintenance direct to parent with care instead of formal collection through the CSA. Around £421.4m (33.2%) of maintenance is currently paid this way.

A full list of definitions can be found in the <u>Child Support Agency (CSA) Quarterly Summary of Statistics (QSS) Metadata</u>

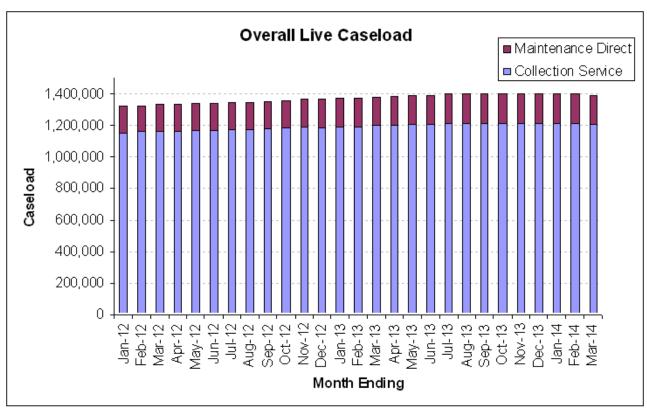
# **Executive Summary**

From 25 November 2013, all new applications for child maintenance are made under the 2012 scheme (see Introduction for further details). Consequently, the 1993 and 2003 scheme caseloads will steadily reduce as no new intake is received and cases close.

Intake figures on the 2012 scheme are available in the <u>Experimental Statistics on the 2012 scheme</u> publication, covering the period between August 2013 and February 2014.

In the quarter to March 2014, the 1993/2003 scheme live caseload decreased by 0.5% to **1,394,000** with proportionate reductions in those due to pay via Maintenance Direct and through the Collection service. Given the reduction in the caseload, cases with a current liability, collections and children benefiting have all reduced. However, the percentage of cases contributing towards their current liability increased to 85.6% in the quarter to March 2014.

Graph 1: Caseload



## **Service Levels**

There is no evidence at this stage of an impact on service levels for the 1993/2003 Schemes as a result of the introduction of the 2012 Scheme.

Service levels have remained stable over the 12 months, as **99.5%** of complaints received in the 12 months to March 2014 were resolved or had a resolution plan in place within 15 days. This compares to 99.4% in the 12 months to March 2013.

There was a slight decrease in the percentage of cases that were accurate to within £1 or 2% of the maintenance calculation. This dropped to 95.0%<sup>1</sup> in the 12 months to March 2014 and this is a reduction of 1.4 percentage points compared March 2013 but only 0.4 percentage points down compared to March 2012.

The cash value accuracy measure remained consistent at 98.0%<sup>1</sup> in March 14 compared to the March 2013 figure of 98.2%. The cash value accuracy is calculated on the total cash value of errors against the total cash value of correct calculations; expressed as a percentage. This measure considers whether the maintenance calculation is correct to the nearest penny and the effective date has been applied from the correct date.

Telephony performance has improved in the 12 months to March 2014 with a reduction in the average time taken to answer calls compared to a year earlier.

On average, it took **7.4** weeks to clear appeals through the first stage of the appeals process and **4.3** days for the to revise maintenance calculations following a decision from The Tribunal Service. This is consistent with the previous years performance.

In the quarter to March 2014, 7,400 full time equivalent staff were employed to support the Child Maintenance system.

#### Notes:

 Accuracy figures are derived by checking a sample of cases on which new assessments have been carried out to ensure that the calculation was correct.

# **Summary of Key Measures**

The table below reflects the performance of cases managed on the core systems and cases managed off system.

Key Measures					
	March 2012	March 2013	March 2014	13/14 Indicator	
% of cases making a contribution towards current liability in the quarter <sup>(1,2)</sup>	84.0%	83.7%	85.6%	83.0%	
Number of Cases Contributing towards Current Liability <sup>(1,2)</sup>	619,300	646,400	631,900		
Number of Cases with a Current Liability <sup>(1,2)</sup>	737,000	772,600	738,500		
Percentage of Cases paying Full Liability (90% or more) <sup>(1,3)</sup>	61.1%	59.4%	64.0%		
Number of Children Benefiting at quarter end <sup>(1,2)</sup>	871,100	905,400	871,800	858,000	
<b>Maintenance Collected</b> and arranged <sup>(1,2,4)</sup> (12 month rolling figure)	£1186.5m <sup>5</sup>	£1,229.9m	£1,270.4m	£1,199.4m	
Throughput <sup>(1,6)</sup> 12 weeks (Dec intake) 18 weeks (Oct intake) 26 weeks (Sep intake)	88.9% 94.1% 98.3%	88.0% 94.7% 97.7%	- 85.7% 97.1%		
Outstanding Arrears <sup>(1)</sup>	£3,822.6m	£3,814.6m	£3,857.6m		

- 1) Measures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- 2) Maintenance Direct is where, following a maintenance calculation by CSA, the non resident parent pays child maintenance directly to the parent with care. Cases which are recorded as Maintenance Direct, approximately 13% of the live caseload, are assumed to be fully meeting their current liability since clients can come back to the CSA if there is a default on their payment or to request a new calculation
- 3) Following internal analysis of child maintenance systems and external consultation it was agreed to move to report cases paying full liability as those cases paying 90% of their liability, as it provides a more accurate and meaningful measure. Maintenance direct cases are not included in the full liability columns as it is assumed money is flowing between parents.
- 4) Maintenance Collected and Arranged is sourced from internal management information, so may differ from those reported in CSA's Annual Report and Accounts.
- 5) March 2012 Maintenance Collected and Arranged figure is based on old methodologies. The latest <u>QSS based on old methodologies</u> was published containing data up to September 2013.
- 6) Throughput data will be removed from the Key Measures table going forward. This is due to the 2003 Scheme receiving no new applications so the measure does not accurately reflect performance. Details on the 2012 scheme intake are available for the period between August 2013 and February 2014.

# Intake, Clearances and Uncleared work

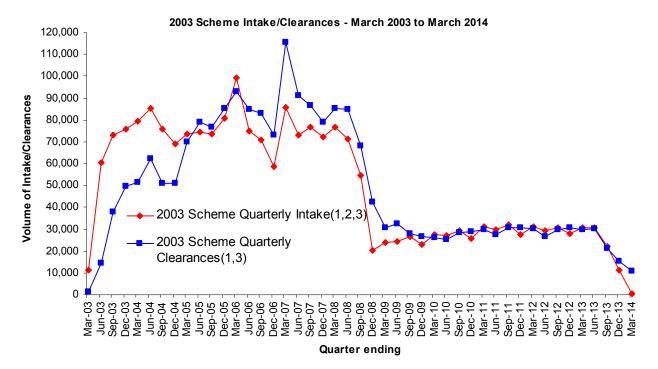
This shows the total intake of 2003 Scheme applications, total clearances and total remaining uncleared applications.

Following fluctuations in both 2003 Scheme Intake and Clearance figures prior to December 2008, the volumes began to even out at approximately 30,000. In the latest quarters, the figures have reduced significantly due to the pathfinder approach into launching the new 2012 Scheme. Starting on 10 December 2012 all new applications with four or more children relating to the same parent with care and non resident parent were accepted onto the 2012 scheme. From 29 July 2013 the 2012 scheme was opened up to cases with two or more children, where at least two of the children relate to the same non resident parent. As of 25 November 2013 all applications are being accepted onto the 2012 Scheme. Intake figures on the 2012 scheme are available in the <a href="Experimental">Experimental</a> Statistics on the 2012 scheme for the period between August 2013 and February 2014.

The small number of new applications received on the 2003 Scheme relate to expected residual handling issues in which applications cannot be made to the 2012 Scheme because either an existing case is open or their liability ended less than 13 weeks before the non resident parent or parent with care contacted the Agency.

 New applications to the Agency decreased to 500 in the quarter to March 2014, down from 11,500 in December 2013, whilst there were 10,800 2003 Scheme clearances down from 15,500 clearances, and 500 Uncleared applications across all schemes decreasing from 10,600 in December 2013.

The Intake/Clearances and Uncleared work table is now available in Annex A on page 50 (table 19). Due to the impact of all applications now being processed on the 2012 scheme, the table and graph will not be updated going forward and will move to Annex B.



Graph 2: 2003 Scheme Intake/Clearances

- Intake and clearances figures include 2003 statutory scheme cases, excluding the performance of cases managed off system.
  - a. These figures are subject to revision in future publications. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this table.
  - b. In January and February 2007 CSA implemented a computer system change to free-up applications that could not be progressed due to system issues. The change involved the deletion of around 11,750 2003 Scheme applications and the subsequent re-entry of the vast majority back onto the system. This has had the impact of artificially increasing the clearance and intake figures for January and February by 1,500 and 10,250 respectively.
  - A small sample of cases indicates that most uncleared applications reported as 1993 Scheme were in fact 2003 Scheme.
- 3) Intake figures in this table may differ from intake figures on page 56 (table 22). Intake figures in the table above are based on the date the case was first entered on the CS2 computer system. Intake figures on page 56 (table 22). are based on the date when a customer first made contact with the Agency.

- a. A 2003 Scheme clearance is defined under the following circumstances; If a maintenance calculation has been carried out and a payment arrangement between the parent with care and the non resident parent is in place; an application has been cancelled or withdrawn; a maintenance calculation has been carried out and nil liability established; or the application has been closed.
- b. Intake figures count applications for Child Support. Not all applications become live cases. Similarly, clearances count all applications cleared and not just live cases.
- c. A change in legislation in October 2008 removed the compulsion for parents with care on income based benefits (Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance (Income Based)) to pursue a claim for child support through the Agency. After this date, it was expected that some parents with care would opt to end their child support claim with CSA.
- d. In the run up to the change, a further legislative repeal in July 2008 meant that single parents making a new claim for income based benefit would no longer be referred to CSA. Some will have made direct arrangements with the Agency, but they are not compelled to do so.
- e. These figures are subject to revision in future publications. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this table.

# **Closures**

This shows the total number of 2003 Scheme cases that are closed or cancelled/withdrawn within the quarter. For example, family reconciliation or the child reaches an age where they no longer qualify for maintenance.

The number of 2003 Scheme case closures has remained stable over the past few years. Similarly, both the number of applications not eligible or no longer valid and those not pursued by the applicant have remained fairly consistent, with the number not pursued by the applicant on the decline since June 2013.

• The number of 2003 Scheme case closures decreased slightly from 16,800 in the quarter to December 2013 to **16,000** in the quarter to March 2014. In the quarter to March 2014, **5,600** applications were not pursued by the applicant and in **6,000** cases the application was not eligible or no longer valid.

This covers closures both prior to and following a calculation. A more detailed breakdown of closures *following* calculation is included in Annex A, table 21 on page 54.

# **Time to Clear Applications**

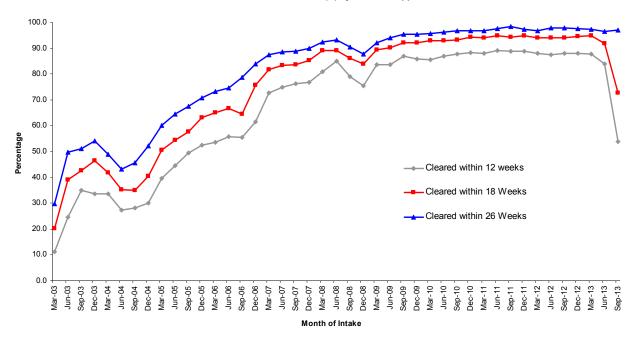
This shows the length of time taken to clear applications received by the Agency each month.

From 25 November 2013, all intake of new applications are progressed on the 2012 scheme. The focus on the remaining applications on 2003 scheme is to clear as many as possible by March 2014 regardless of the receipt date, which has resulted in the decrease in the clearance measure. Due to the impact of all applications now being processed on the 2012 scheme, the clearance data has only been updated up to December 2013 and is now available in Annex A (table 22, page 57). Going forward, the graph and table showing Time to Clear Applications data will not be updated and will move to Annex B.

• As can be seen in Graph 3, there has been a fall in percentage of applications cleared within 12 and 18 weeks for the intake received in September 2013. Prior to this the percentage of applications cleared has remained fairly consistent since December 2008 for the 12, 18 and 26 week clearance timeframes. 97.1% of September 2013 intake was cleared within 26 weeks, which is in line with the previous trend, and an increase when compared to the June 2013 figure of 96.4%.

Graph 3: Time to Clear Applications

#### 2003 Scheme Clearances (%) by Month of Application



#### Notes:

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- a. A clearance above is defined under the following circumstances; If a maintenance calculation has been carried out and recorded as Maintenance Direct; (Maintenance Direct is a payment arrangement between the parent with care and the non resident parent is in place); an application has been cancelled or withdrawn; a maintenance calculation has been carried out and nil liability established; a parent with care has been identified as claiming Good Cause or is subject to a Reduced Benefit Decision; or the application has been closed.
- b. Figures are calculated by counting applications for Child Support. Not all applications become live cases.
- c. Time to clearance is calculated as the time from first contact with the non resident parent or parent with care until clearance of the application.
- d. Figures are subject to revision in future publications. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this table.
- 2) Figures exclude the performance of cases managed off system.

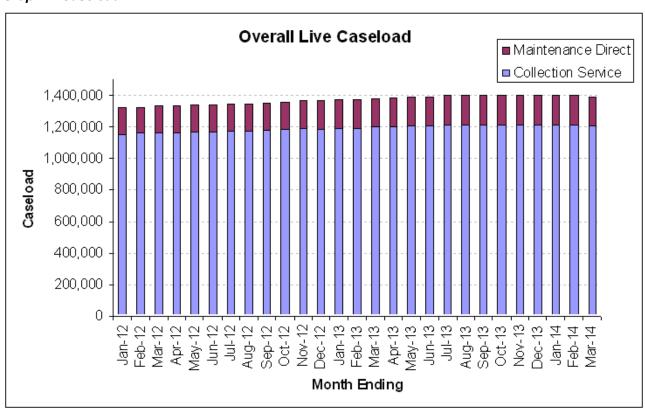
# Caseload

This shows the number of cases currently being handled by the Agency and the division of these between the 1993 and 2003 Scheme.

Up until the previous quarter, the overall live caseload had been on an upward trend since January 2012, with both the Collection Service and Maintenance Direct caseloads following the same pattern. The decrease in the live caseload since December 2013 is expected due to the fact that new cases aren't being processed on the 2003 Scheme, due to the introduction of the 2012 Scheme. The proportion of male to female non-resident parents has remained consistent, with a male non-resident parent in 92.1% of live cases.

- In the quarter to March 2014, there was a decrease in the live caseload of 6,800 to 1,394,000, where both Collection Service and Maintenance Direct caseloads saw a reduction.
- Both 1993 Scheme and 2003 Scheme cases have decreased from 420,600 to 415,400 and 979,900 to 978,300 respectively.

Graph 4: Caseload



The percentage of cases where the non resident parent is male excludes cases managed off-system, which accounts for approximately 7% of the live caseload. The calculation is based on the live cases on 1993 and 2003 schemes, excluding cases managed off system.

Table 1: Caseload by Scheme

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	Live ca	seload <sup>(1,2,5)</sup>	2003 Sc	heme <sup>(1,2,5,6)</sup>	1993 Sc	heme <sup>(1,2,5,6)</sup>	Cases with	Total
Quarter							No Liability	Total
Ending:	Collection	Maintenance	Collection	Maintenance	Collection	Maintenance	and	Caseload (1,2,3
Litaling.	Service	Direct <sup>(3)</sup>	Service	Direct <sup>(3)</sup>	Service	Direct <sup>(3)</sup>	No Arrears	,4)
							Not Paying	
Jan-12	1,157,100	169,600	716,200	140,200	440,700	29,500	789,400	2,116,100
Feb-12	1,158,300	170,700	720,800	141,800	437,200	28,900	793,500	2,122,500
Mar-12	1,162,400	172,000	726,700	143,500	435,500	28,500	794,900	2,129,400
Apr-12	1,163,500	172,300	731,000	144,300	432,300	28,000	799,700	2,135,600
May-12	1,166,200	172,600	736,900	145,100	429,000	27,500	803,100	2,141,900
Jun-12	1,168,000	172,700	741,400	145,600	426,200	27,100	806,800	2,147,400
Jul-12	1,171,500	173,200	747,800	146,500	423,400	26,600	809,700	2,154,300
Aug-12	1,175,300	173,600	753,600	147,500	421,400	26,100	811,700	2,160,600
Sep-12	1,180,800	173,700	758,700	148,100	421,900	25,600	813,200	2,167,700
Oct-12	1,186,700	174,200	765,600	149,100	420,800	25,100	814,500	2,175,300
Nov-12	1,192,400	174,800	772,300	150,200	419,800	24,600	811,900	2,179,100
Dec-12	1,189,000	178,800	773,800	154,000	415,000	24,800	812,300	2,180,200
Jan-13	1,191,900	179,500	778,800	154,800	412,800	24,700	816,600	2,188,000
Feb-13	1,194,900	180,700	783,700	156,100	411,000	24,600	819,300	2,194,900
Mar-13	1,198,800	181,900	788,400	157,400	410,200	24,500	820,700	2,201,300
Apr-13	1,202,000	182,700	793,400	158,300	408,400	24,400	824,000	2,208,700
May-13	1,207,200	183,800	799,700	159,500	407,300	24,300	824,100	2,215,100
Jun-13	1,210,400	185,000	804,500	160,800	405,600	24,200	826,200	2,221,500
Jul-13	1,214,300	185,700	809,400	161,600	404,600	24,100	828,800	2,228,800
Aug-13	1,216,000	186,000	812,300	161,900	403,500	24,100	830,600	2,232,700
Sep-13	1,217,000	185,800	814,800	161,900	402,000	24,000	834,300	2,237,100
Oct-13	1,217,800	185,900	817,300	162,000	400,200	23,900	837,900	2,241,600
Nov-13	1,217,400	186,100	818,300	162,300	398,900	23,800	840,800	2,244,300
Dec-13	1,214,600	186,200	817,300	162,600	397,100	23,500	843,000	2,243,800
Jan-14	1,212,600	185,600	817,100	162,500	395,300	23,100	844,500	2,242,800
Feb-14	1,211,700	185,500	817,100	162,700	394,400	22,700	844,700	2,241,900
Mar-14	1,209,000	185,000	815,600	162,700	393,100	22,300	847,800	2,241,800

- Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system. Figures include 1993 Scheme cases with a full or interim maintenance assessment as well as 2003 Scheme cases with a full maintenance calculation or default maintenance decision, including cases managed off system.
- Maintenance Direct is where, following a maintenance calculation by CSA, the non resident parent pays child maintenance directly to the parent with care. Cases which are recorded as Maintenance Direct, approximately 13% of the live caseload, are assumed to be fully meeting their current liability since clients can come back to the CSA if there is a default on their payment or to request a new calculation.
- 4) The total caseload covers all cases managed on the 2003 and 1993 statutory schemes.
- The live caseload includes the total caseload minus cases with no current or ongoing liability, no arrears and no payments are
- 2003 Scheme and 1993 Scheme figures may not sum to the live caseload due to it not being possible to allocate some cases to specific schemes.

# **Clerical Case Database**

This shows the number of cases being managed off system.

A number of Agency cases are being maintained on the Clerical Case Database and managed off system. These are defined as cases which, due to technical issues, cannot be processed on the core computer systems. Such technical issues arise from cases where either a calculation cannot be accurately maintained on the 2003 scheme, or where a calculation can be maintained on CS2 but problems have prevented other activities from being carried out on the system. The majority of these have been on the CS2 computer system at some point. Work has been completed to include these cases in various tables throughout this publication where possible capturing the latest status of those cases managed off system. These tables have been footnoted accordingly.

• The number of cases being managed off system has decreased from 107,400 in December 2013 to 107,200 in March 2014. As a result of the issues surrounding the CS2 computer system there has been a continued increase in the number of cases on the Clerical Case Database since March 2005. The rate of increase has slowed down significantly since 2011/2012. This is a result of system fixes and process improvements; however, there are issues within the system that still remain.

Table 2: Clerical Case Database

Table 2: Clerical Case Databas	
	Off System
Quarter Ending:	cases <sup>(1,2)</sup>
Mar-05	10,500
Jun-05	12,600
Sep-05	14,000
Dec-05	16,100
Mar-06	19,000
Jun-06	21,100
Sep-06	23,200
Dec-06	25,100
Mar-07	28,900
Jun-07	31,800
Sep-07	33,000
Dec-07	33,000
Mar-08	36,900
Jun-08	39,300
Sep-08	43,400
Dec-08	49,000
Mar-09	59,600
Jun-09	65,400
Sep-09	75,200
Dec-09	83,100
Mar-10	87,600
Jun-10	91,700
Sep-10	95,800
Dec-10	98,400
Mar-11	100,200
Jun-11	101,300
Sep-11	101,800 103,000
Dec-11 Mar-12	103,000
Jun-12	104,600
Sep-12	105,400
Dec-12	106,000
Mar-13	106,700
Jun-13	107,000
Sep-13	107,300
Dec-13	107,400
Mar-14	107,200
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Figures include both live and suspended cases that are administered on the Agency's Clerical Case Database.

From March 2005 to December 2006 figures are sourced clerically. From March 2007 onwards the source information is provided from the Agency's internal management information.

# **Caseload Status**

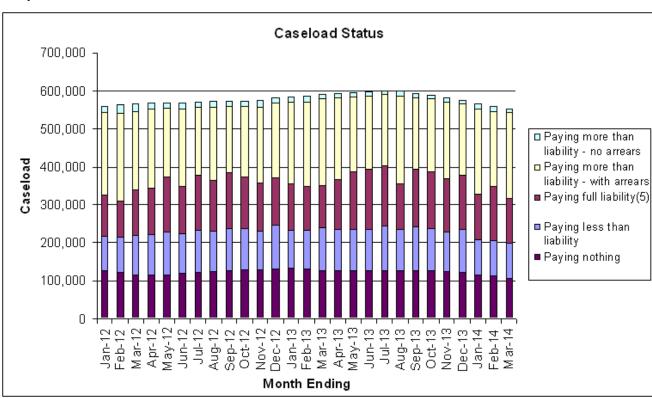
This shows the status of all cases with an assessment or calculation.

The live caseload had gradually been increasing up until September 2013, but is now on a downward trend. This is due to the impact of all new applications being processed on the 2012 Scheme. The number of cases paying full liability<sup>3</sup> and those cases paying more than their current liability with arrears has fluctuated from month to month, while the other categories have remained fairly consistent.

 The overall live caseload now stands at 1,394,000. This is a decrease of 6,800 from December 2013 and 13,300 greater than the caseload as at March 2013. A breakdown by scheme is included in Annex A.

Despite a decrease in the current quarter, the overall live caseload has increased by 67,200 in the period from January 2012 to March 2014. Of the cases with a current liability due via the Collection Service, 40.1% are paying more than their liability with a contribution towards arrears.

A full breakdown of the Caseload Status is available in Annex A (table 23) on page 58.



Graph 5: Caseload Status

- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. Figures include 1993 Scheme cases with a full or interim maintenance assessment as well as 2003 Scheme cases with a full maintenance calculation or default maintenance decision.
- 2) Current Liability: A case is classed as having a 'Current Liability' if it is open, has children of a qualifying age and has a positive liability (i.e. assessment to pay maintenance).
- 3) 'Full Liability' includes those cases that have paid 90% or more of the accrued liability via the collection service within the quarter.

# Live Caseload by Weekly Liability Value - March 2014

This shows the % and volume of cases split by specified weekly liability values.

The split of the Total Caseload by Weekly Liability is in line with the previous quarter. The split between Collection Service and Maintenance Direct is consistent with the general split of approximately 13:2 respectively.

The average weekly maintenance liability (including nil liability-cases that have been assessed and their assessment value is 0) stands at £17.30<sup>7</sup>, excluding nil liability the average is £32.70. 22.9% of cases managed via the Collection Service have an assessment between £20.01 and £100 compared to 74.4% of those which are Maintenance Direct. 75.1% of the live caseload has an assessment of £30.00 or less.

Table 3: Caseload by Weekly Liability Value

Weekly Liability	Collection	Service (1,3)	Maintenanc	e Direct (1,4)	Tota	l <sup>(1,5)</sup>
Value £ (1)	Number of	% of Total	Number of	% of Total	Number of	% of Total
	Cases	Caseload	Cases	Caseload	Cases	Caseload
Nil Liability	655,500	47.0%	-	-	655,500	47.0%
£5 and Under	188,800	13.5%	18,800	1.4%	207,600	14.9%
£5.01 - £10 .00	30,800	2.2%	6,300	0.5%	37,100	2.7%
£10.01 - £20.00	42,700	3.1%	13,700	1.0%	56,300	4.0%
£20.01 - £30.00	63,300	4.5%	27,200	2.0%	90,500	6.5%
£30.01 - £40.00	70,100	5.0%	32,400	2.3%	102,500	7.4%
£40.01 - £50.00	53,900	3.9%	26,700	1.9%	80,600	5.8%
£50.01 - £75.00	67,700	4.9%	37,500	2.7%	105,200	7.5%
£75.01 - £100.00	22,400	1.6%	13,800	1.0%	36,200	2.6%
£100.01 - £125.00	7,900	0.6%	4,900	0.4%	12,800	0.9%
£125.01 - £150.00	2,900	0.2%	1,800	0.1%	4,700	0.3%
£150.01 - £200.00	2,000	0.1%	1,200	0.1%	3,200	0.2%
£200.01- £250.00	500	-	300	-	800	0.1%
Over £250.01	500	-	300	-	800	0.1%
Total	1,209,000	86.7%	185,000	13.3%	1,394,000	100.0%

## Notes:

a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.

b. Figures have been rounded to the nearest 100, percentages to the nearest 0.1%.

<sup>2)</sup> Collection Service weekly liability has been derived by converting quarterly liability value to a weekly amount.

<sup>3)</sup> Maintenance Direct weekly liability has been derived by using the weekly assessment amount.

<sup>4)</sup> The Live Caseload is the total caseload minus cases with no current or ongoing liability, and no arrears and no payments are being made.

<sup>5)</sup> Weekly liability values have been set to 0 for all cases with no liability.

<sup>6)</sup> The average weekly maintenance liability (including nil liability) amount provides an average amount of the overall live caseload, including cases that have been assessed and their assessment value is 0.

# Live Caseload by Number of Qualifying Children – March 2014

This shows the average weekly liability by the number of qualifying children by collection method.

The breakdowns by number of qualifying children and the associated weekly liability are comparable with the previous quarter.

96.7% of cases have 2 or less qualifying children.

Table 4: Caseload by Number of Qualifying Children

	Collection Service <sup>(1,2)</sup>		Maintenance Direct <sup>(1,3)</sup>		Total <sup>(1,4)</sup>	
Number of		Average				Average
Qualifying	Number	weekly	Number of	Average weekly	Number	weekly
Children <sup>(6)</sup>	of cases	liability <sup>(5)</sup>	cases	liability <sup>(5)</sup>	of cases	liability <sup>(5)</sup>
0 <sup>(7)</sup>	486,000	-	-	-	486,000	-
1	534,700	£19.62	128,700	£37.79	663,400	£23.15
2	151,800	£29.07	46,400	£54.31	198,200	£34.98
3	30,000	£33.33	8,500	£67.88	38,500	£40.96
4	5,200	£28.81	1,200	£61.83	6,400	£34.96
5	900	£24.72	200	£62.54	1,100	£30.29
6	200	£24.00	-	£62.09	200	£28.29
7	-	£27.44	-	£46.03	100	£30.65
8+	-	£29.81	-	-	-	£29.81

#### Notes:

- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. Figures have been rounded to the nearest 100 and therefore may not sum to the live caseload figure on page 16 (table 1). Percentages are rounded to the nearest 0.1%.
- c. Figures are for the 'Live Caseload' The total caseload minus cases with no current or ongoing liability, no arrears and no payments are being made.
- 2) Collection Service weekly liability has been derived by converting quarterly liability value to a weekly amount.
- 3) Maintenance Direct weekly liability has been derived by using the weekly assessment amount.
- 4) Total average weekly liability has been derived by summing the total Collection Service weekly amount and the total Maintenance Direct weekly amount then dividing it by the total number of cases.
- 5) Weekly liability values have been set to 0 for all cases with no liability.
- 6) Qualifying Children under the age of 20 are counted in this table. The qualifying age has been set to 20 in line with Child Benefit and social security benefits so that child maintenance can carry on up to a child's 20th birthday if they're staying in full-time, 'non-advanced' education at school or college, or starting an 'approved' training course. Where the number of children is missing on off system cases, an average of 1.39 is applied. These cases will appear in this table in the 1 children category and account for 3.2% of the cases in this category.
- 7) The table includes cases where there are 0 qualifying children. This is due to cases where the child reaches 20 years old by the end of the quarter.

# **Children Benefiting from Maintenance**

This shows the number of children benefiting, calculated from cases in which a payment was received or had a maintenance direct arrangement in place.

The number of Children Benefiting has been on a downward trend since September 2013, but still remains at a higher position that in January 2012. The change in trend can be attributed to the fact that all new applications now being processed on the 2012 scheme.

• The number of Children Benefiting has decreased from 887,200 in December 2013 to 871,800 in March 2014.

Table 5: Children Benefiting from Maintenance

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	Children	1993 Scheme	1993 Scheme	2003 Scheme	2003 Scheme
Quarter	Benefiting	Collection	Maintenance	Collection	Maintenance
Ending:	From	Service (2)	Direct (2)	Service (2)	Direct (2)
	Maintenance <sup>(1)</sup>				
Jan-12	853,100	101,600	36,300	517,300	197,800
Feb-12	859,600	99,900	35,600	523,900	200,200
Mar-12	871,100	100,600	35,000	533,000	202,500
Apr-12	873,800	99,200	34,400	536,900	203,300
May-12	875,200	96,900	33,700	540,100	204,500
Jun-12	872,300	93,900	33,200	540,200	205,000
Jul-12	871,000	91,100	32,500	541,200	206,200
Aug-12	871,500	88,800	31,800	543,400	207,500
Sep-12	869,900	89,400	31,100	541,400	208,000
Oct-12	868,900	87,500	30,300	541,800	209,200
Nov-12	871,000	86,400	29,700	544,100	210,700
Dec-12	887,300	89,400	30,100	552,000	215,800
Jan-13	888,700	87,400	29,900	554,200	217,100
Feb-13	893,600	85,900	29,800	558,900	219,000
Mar-13	905,400	85,900	29,700	568,900	220,900
Apr-13	908,400	84,300	29,600	572,400	222,100
May-13	915,100	83,900	29,400	577,700	224,000
Jun-13	916,100	82,300	29,300	578,600	225,900
Jul-13	919,800	81,700	29,200	581,800	227,100
Aug-13	919,500	80,200	29,100	582,500	227,700
Sep-13	908,200	78,100	29,000	573,700	227,300
Oct-13	900,200	75,900	28,900	568,100	227,300
Nov-13	894,300	74,000	28,800	564,000	227,500
Dec-13	887,200	71,200	28,400	559,800	227,800
Jan-14	877,500	68,200	27,800	554,200	227,200
Feb-14	871,300	67,500	27,300	549,200	227,200
Mar-14	871,800	66,800	26,700	551,400	226,900

## Notes:

a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.

b. 'Children benefiting' includes all children of a qualifying age on cases that have paid in the previous quarter. This includes all children on Maintenance Direct cases.

- c. Before December 2012 children under the age of 19 are counted as a qualifying child, after this date the qualifying age was increased to 20. Qualifying children are counted as receiving maintenance or with a maintenance direct agreement in place if the relevant case has received a payment via the collection service in the last three months or has a maintenance direct agreement in place. An average of 1.39 children per case has been used for positive outcome cases progressed off system, where the number of children is not available. This is based on checking a sample of off system case papers, and is used in approximately 16% of paying off system cases with a current liability.
- d. Cases are classed as having maintenance due if an ongoing liability to pay maintenance exists or arrears of maintenance have been requested.
- 2) There are approximately 300 cases where the scheme in which the case is held cannot be identified, therefore scheme breakdowns may not sum to overall Agency figures.

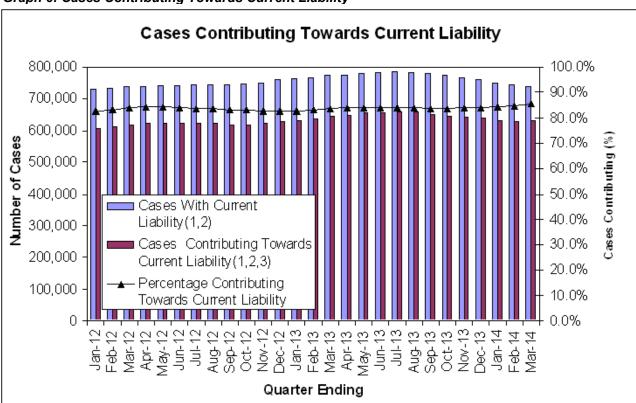
# **Cases Contributing towards Current Liability**

This shows the number of cases contributing towards current liability.

Both the number of cases with a current liability and the number of cases with a contribution towards current liability have been on a downward trend since July 2013. Despite this, the percentage of cases contributing towards a current liability has remained consistent throughout (at around 83-84%), and currently stands at its highest position of 85.6%.

• In the quarter to March 2014 **631,900** (or 85.6%) cases were paying towards their maintenance out of **738,500** cases with a child maintenance liability.

The accompanying table can be found in Annex A on page 64 (Table 26).



Graph 6: Cases Contributing Towards Current Liability

- 1) Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- 2) A case is classed as having a 'Current Liability' if it is open, has children of a qualifying age and has a positive liability (i.e. assessment to pay maintenance). This includes cases due to pay via Maintenance Direct.
- 3) A case is classed as paying towards their liability if a payment has been received in the previous quarter, or the case is classed as Maintenance Direct at the end of the quarter.
- 4) Maintenance direct cases are excluded in the full liability as it is assumed that money is flowing between parents.
- 5) 'Full Liability' satisfied within quarter includes those cases who have paid 90% or more of the accrued liability via the collection service within the quarter. Maintenance direct cases are not included in this category.

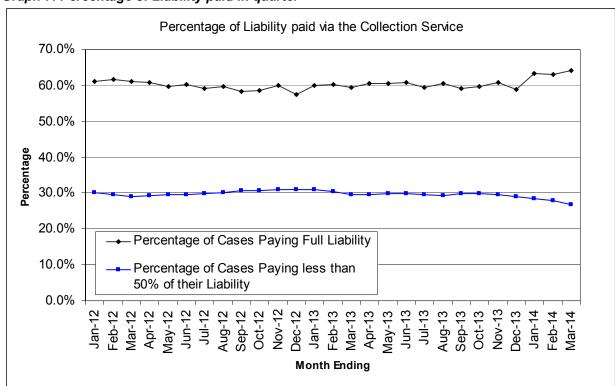
# Percentage of Liability Paid in Quarter

This shows the percentage of liability being paid each quarter, for cases due to pay via the collection service.

The percentage of cases paying full liability has remained moderately steady since January 2012, with the latest quarter standing at the highest position. The number of cases paying less than 50% of their liability has remained consistent throughout.

- 64.0% of cases due to pay via the collection service paid their full liability in the quarter to March 2014, which is an increase from 58.8% in December 2013.
- The number of cases paying less than 50% of their liability via the Collection Service has decreased from 29.0% in December 2013 to 26.8% in the quarter to March 2014.

For a full breakdown of the Percentage of Liability paid in Quarter please see Annex A, table 27 page 66.



Graph 7: Percentage of Liability paid in quarter

## Notes:

- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. Figures exclude Maintenance Direct Cases, as receipts are not held on the CSA computer systems to show how much money is flowing between parents. This is to show a more realistic performance overview of the collection service.
- 2) Percentages are based on the amount of money received in each quarter compared to the accrued liability in each quarter.
- 3) 'Full Liability' satisfied within quarter includes those cases who have paid 90% or more of the accrued liability via the collection service within the quarter. Maintenance direct cases are not included in this category.

# **Liability and Credits**

This shows the total amount of money due and of this how much was received or adjusted. The closing balance is the difference between the two at the end of the period.

The percentage of Credits to Liabilities at the end of each quarter has followed a fluctuating pattern, with values differing by 4 percentage points at most.

 The difference between the liability accrued and the total credits in the quarter to March 2014 stands at £16.5m. This is a decrease compared to the previous quarter where the difference stood at £27.0m, as well as a £0.5m decrease from the January 2012 position.

Table 6: Liability and Credits

Table 0. Lie	ability and Credits Liability			
	Accrued in the	Total Credits in	Total Liabilities as	Difference (£m)
Quarter	Quarter	the Quarter	% of Total Credits	at the end of
ending:	(£m) <sup>(1,2,3)</sup>	(£m) <sup>(1,2,4)</sup>	in the Quarter <sup>(1)</sup>	the Quarter <sup>(1)</sup>
Jan-12	£219.9	£203.0	92.3%	£17.0
Feb-12	£214.4	£202.2	94.3%	£12.2
Mar-12	£219.5	£205.5	93.6%	£14.0
Apr-12	£221.2	£204.1	92.3%	£17.1
May-12	£229.8	£208.7	90.8%	£21.1
Jun-12	£227.8	£204.9	89.9%	£22.9
Jul-12	£232.0	£209.1	90.1%	£22.9
Aug-12	£231.0	£207.6	89.9%	£23.4
Sep-12	£233.2	£208.4	89.4%	£24.8
Oct-12	£231.1	£210.3	91.0%	£20.8
Nov-12	£228.7	£209.5	91.6%	£19.2
Dec-12	£227.6	£206.5	90.7%	£21.1
Jan-13	£227.6	£208.2	91.5%	£19.4
Feb-13	£224.3	£206.0	91.8%	£18.4
Mar-13	£227.9	£208.5	91.5%	£19.4
Apr-13	£229.5	£209.8	91.4%	£19.7
May-13	£238.3	£214.8	90.1%	£23.5
Jun-13	£239.1	£213.7	89.4%	£25.3
Jul-13	£244.1	£216.3	88.6%	£27.8
Aug-13	£241.9	£214.6	88.7%	£27.2
Sep-13	£244.8	£218.4	89.2%	£26.4
Oct-13	£242.3	£215.7	89.0%	£26.5
Nov-13	£237.7	£212.7	89.5%	£25.0
Dec-13	£236.1	£209.1	88.5%	£27.0
Jan-14	£229.6	£209.3	91.1%	£20.4
Feb-14	£226.2	£207.7	91.8%	£18.5
Mar-14	£224.2	£207.7	92.7%	£16.5

#### Notes:

a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.

<sup>.</sup> Figures exclude Maintenance Direct cases.

<sup>2)</sup> The Liabilities and Credits are the quarterly amount of money charged including any technical adjustments e.g. voluntary payments where payment of child maintenance has been received by the parent with care before the non resident parent has been notified of the maintenance calculation.

Total Liabilities are the quarterly amount of money charged excluding any technical adjustments.

<sup>4)</sup> Total credits are the quarterly amounts of money paid, including technical adjustments, via the collection service.

# **Collections verses Liability**

This shows the amount of liability accrued and the amount collected within the quarter for the Collection Service.

The percentage of Liability collected in the quarter has gradually been increasing since January 2012, with the latest figure at its highest position.

• 74.3% of money due to be paid in the quarter to March 2014 had been paid. This is an increase from the percentage paid in the quarter to December 2013.

Table 7: Collections verses Liability

Table 7: Co	llections verses Lia	ability	
Quarter ending:	Liability Accrued in the Quarter (£m) <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Regular Maintenance Collected in the Quarter (£m) <sup>(1,3)</sup>	% of Liability Collected in the Quarter <sup>(1)</sup>
Jan-12	£219.9	£156.0	70.9%
Feb-12	£214.4	£153.4	71.6%
Mar-12	£219.5	£157.9	71.9%
Apr-12	£221.2	£159.0	71.9%
May-12	£229.8	£164.9	71.8%
Jun-12	£227.8	£163.7	71.9%
Jul-12	£232.0	£166.2	71.7%
Aug-12	£231.0	£165.6	71.7%
Sep-12	£233.2	£166.2	71.3%
Oct-12	£231.1	£165.4	71.6%
Nov-12	£228.7	£164.4	71.9%
Dec-12	£227.6	£161.4	70.9%
Jan-13	£227.6	£163.2	71.7%
Feb-13	£224.3	£161.5	72.0%
Mar-13	£227.9	£163.7	71.8%
Apr-13	£229.5	£166.9	72.7%
May-13	£238.3	£173.4	72.8%
Jun-13	£239.1	£174.3	72.9%
Jul-13	£244.1	£176.6	72.3%
Aug-13	£241.9	£175.4	72.5%
Sep-13	£244.8	£177.4	72.5%
Oct-13	£242.3	£175.8	72.6%
Nov-13	£237.7	£172.8	72.7%
Dec-13	£236.1	£169.5	71.8%
Jan-14	£229.6	£168.5	73.4%
Feb-14	£226.2	£166.7	73.7%
Mar-14	£224.2	£166.6	74.3%

#### Notes:

a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.

b. Contributions towards arrears are not included within this table.

c. Maintenance Direct cases are not included within this table. A Maintenance Direct case would not accrue liability on the CSA computer Systems, due to money being paid directly between parents.

<sup>2)</sup> Total Liabilities is the amount of money charged as regular maintenance (excluding any technical adjustments).

<sup>3)</sup> Regular maintenance collected is the amount of money paid via the collection service excluding technical adjustments.

# **Maintenance Collected and Arranged**

This shows the total amount of maintenance collected by the Agency and the estimated value of Maintenance Direct arrangements.

The total amount Collected and Arranged has increased each year, with regular maintenance and Maintenance Direct arrangements following the same pattern. The amount of contributions towards arrears has fluctuated from year to year, with a reduction in the latest period.

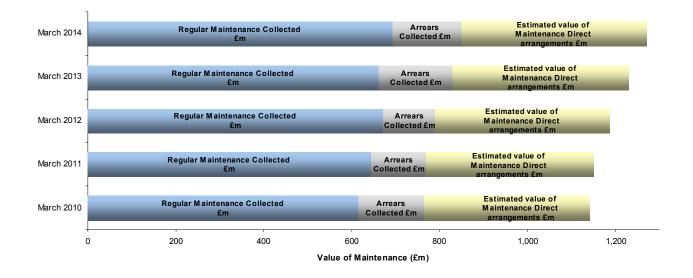
- As at March 2014, the Overall Maintenance Collected and Arranged on a rolling 12 month basis increased to £1,270.4m, while the amount of arrears collected on a rolling 12 month basis fell to £155.7m. This is compared to a December 2013 figure of £1,270.0m, of which £159.1m was arrears and a March 2013 figure of £1,229.9m, of which £167.5m was arrears.
- In the quarter to March 2014, £312.3m was collected and arranged, of which £39.9m was contribution towards arrears. The amount collected or arranged has decreased when compared to the December 2013 figure of £314.8m, while the amount of arrears collected has increased by £1.7m in the same period.
- The decrease in the amount of arrears collected from March 2013 to March 2014 is due the Agency's strategy<sup>5</sup> of prioritising cases where a current liability exists.

Headline collection figures are:

Rolling 12 Months: £1,270.4m of which £155.7m was arrears
 Rolling Quarter: £312.3m of which £39.9m was arrears

#### Graph 8: Maintenance Collected and Arranged

Total Amount Collected and Arranged - Rolling 12 Months to March 14



#### Notes:

<sup>1)</sup> Quarterly amounts of maintenance collected will not sum to the financial year figures published in the Annual Accounts as they do not include end of year adjustments.

- a. Figures reported after January 2012 are calculated on a New Measures basis, including cases managed off system.
- March 2012 Maintenance Collected and Arranged figure is based on old methodologies. The latest <u>QSS based on old methodologies</u> was published containing data up to September 2013.
- 3) Figures include 1993 Scheme cases held on the CSCS computer system. CSCS data included in this graph prior to January 2012 is based on a 5% sample. After this date, a 100% CSCS data source has been used.
- 4) Maintenance "Arranged" rather than "Collected" relates to Maintenance Direct cases. Maintenance Direct is where, following a maintenance calculation by CSA, the non resident parent pays child maintenance directly to the Parent with care. The assessment on the case is used to derive the amount arranged. These cases are assumed to be fully meeting their current liability since clients can come back to the CSA if there is a default on their payment or to request a new calculation.
- 5) The Child Support Agency's operational priority since 2006 has been to collect money for children who will benefit from regular ongoing maintenance payments today. Historic arrears (where, for example the children has grown up) are treated with less priority, however they remain outstanding, will not be written off and we will seek to collect them wherever possible. This chapter analyses the outstanding arrears balance, and then explains how we intend to tackle it. For further information, please see the Child Maintenance Arrears Strategy.

Table 8: Maintenance Collected and Arranged: Quarterly Measure

Of which, Estimated value of					
	Maintenance	contribution	Maintenance Direct	Total amount	
0	Collected	towards	arrangements in	collected /	
Quarter	£m <sup>(1,4)</sup>				
Ending	· -	arrears £m <sup>(3,4)</sup>	place £m <sup>(2,4)</sup>	arranged £m <sup>(4)</sup>	
Jun-03	146.2	15.6	55.8	202.0	
Sep-03	145.3	16.0	54.5	199.8	
Dec-03	142.0	15.8	53.7	195.7	
Mar-04	146.7	16.4	52.8	199.5	
Jun-04	144.4	16.7	52.6	197.0	
Sep-04	144.0	16.8	52.7	196.7	
Dec-04	143.5	17.2	53.3	196.8	
Mar-05	152.8	17.5	54.9	207.7	
Jun-05	148.7	19.4	56.9	205.6	
Sep-05	146.5	20.5	59.0	205.5	
Dec-05	149.2	20.3	61.2	210.4	
Mar-06	150.3	20.6	63.8	214.1	
Jun-06	150.6	21.5	67.0	217.5	
Sep-06	153.9	21.1	70.6	224.5	
Dec-06	150.6	22.8	72.7	223.4	
Mar-07	159.0	25.1	73.8	232.8	
Jun-07	158.6	27.6	76.9	235.5	
Sep-07	169.5	30.4	80.4	249.9	
Dec-07	174.0	32.6	82.9	256.8	
Mar-08	182.2	35.8	85.4	267.7	
Jun-08	187.6	38.8	89.0	276.6	
Sep-08	197.9	41.7	90.9	288.8	
Dec-08	190.1	39.4	91.9	282.0	
Mar-09	191.5	38.3	92.8	284.3	
Jun-09	186.8	38.0	94.3	281.1 283.7	
Sep-09 Dec-09	189.3 191.5	36.3	94.5 94.4	285.9	
Mar-10	196.2	37.3 35.8	94.4	290.3	
Jun-10	188.9	32.3	94.1	283.5	
Sep-10	191.6	31.6	95.3	286.8	
Dec-10	190.2	30.0	95.3	285.5	
Mar-11	198.2	31.2	96.1	294.3	
Jun-11	195.6	30.2	97.4	293.0	
Sep-11	197.7	30.6	98.2	295.9	
Dec-11	197.6	29.0	99.3	296.9	
Mar-12	205.5	46.2	97.6	303.1	
Jun-12	204.9	39.8	98.0	302.9	
Sep-12	208.4	40.7	98.6	307.0	
Dec-12	206.5	43.7	101.6	308.1	
Mar-13	208.5	43.3	103.4	311.9	
Jun-13	213.7	38.1	105.4	319.1	
Sep-13	218.4	39.5	105.7	324.2	
Dec-13	209.1	38.2	105.7	314.8	
Mar-14	207.7	39.9	104.6	312.3	

## Notes:

1)

2)

 The amount of maintenance collected is that collected via the CSA Collection Service and therefore includes cases managed off system.

a. The value of Maintenance Direct arrangements in place shows the value of the assessments that the Agency has made i.e. the recommended amount to be paid to the parent/person with care by the non-resident parent. This value is an estimate because it is not possible to calculate, for every day of the year, the value of Maintenance Direct arrangements in place at that point in time. However, it is possible to calculate the value of weekly Maintenance Direct arrangements in place at the end of each month and derive a full monthly estimate from that.

<sup>b. Quarterly amounts of maintenance collected will not sum to the financial year figures published in the Annual Accounts as they do not include end of year adjustments.</sup> 

- The estimated value of Maintenance Direct arrangements includes Maintenance Direct cases processed off system from April 2008.
- a. Arrears collected figures include arrears of maintenance that have been linked to an arrears collection schedule. Investigations show that a proportion of arrears of maintenance collected have been incorrectly linked to a regular collection schedule and therefore classified as regular maintenance in the above table. Work is underway to correctly classify arrears collections in future publications.

3)

- b. In addition, collections on all cases managed off system are presumed to be regular collections rather than collections of arrears resulting in the potential under counting of arrears.
- c. The issue raised in note 3a & 4c has been rectified from January 2012 due to a change in methodology and source data.
- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. Figures include 1993 Scheme cases held on the CSCS computer system. CSCS data included in this table for arrears collected and for maintenance direct arrangements in place is based on a 5% sample up to March 2012. After this date, a 100% CSCS data source has been used.
- c. From January 2012 the source of this data has changed to allow for consistency throughout the publication. For further details please see <u>Information on Child Maintenance Administrative Data Sources</u>.

# **Cases Contributing Towards Arrears**

This shows the number of cases with an arrears liability the start of the current quarter, and the number and percentage of those cases that made a contribution towards the arrears within the period.

The number of cases with an arrears liability has gradually increased since January 2012. The number of cases paying towards arrears has varied each month; however the percentage of cases paying towards arrears has remained steady in comparison.

 There are 283,100 cases paying towards arrears as at March 2014, which is a significant increase on the December 2013 figure of 244,500.

Table 9: Cases Contributing Towards Arrears

	Overall Agency Cases - in which:											
Quarter Ending:		Paying Towards Arrears <sup>(1,4,5)</sup>	Amount of Arrears Paid (£m) <sup>(1,5)</sup>	% Paying Towards Arrears <sup>(1,5)</sup>	Closing Balance (£m) <sup>(1,3)</sup>							
Jan-12	1,185,400	284,500	£45.7	24%	£3,838							
Feb-12	1,191,100	299,500	£47.5	25%	£3,839							
Mar-12	, ,	275,700	£46.2	23%	£3,823							
Apr-12	1,196,100	278,400	£43.7	23%	£3,827							
May-12	1,197,900	250,400	£42.2	21%	£3,823							
Jun-12		270,600	£39.8	23%	£3,825							
Jul-12	1,206,600	247,300	£41.4	21%	£3,827							
Aug-12	1,207,500	260,400	£40.5	22%	£3,829							
Sep-12		243,400	£40.7	20%	£3,834							
Oct-12	1,214,300	256,800	£43.3	21%	£3,843							
Nov-12	1,217,900	273,100	£43.5	22%	£3,847							
Dec-12	1,222,200	261,900	£43.7	21%	£3,800							
Jan-13	1,230,900	280,300	£43.6	23%	£3,803							
Feb-13	1,230,800	284,900	£43.0	23%	£3,809							
Mar-13		289,700	£43.3	23%	£3,815							
Apr-13	1,239,900	273,600	£41.4	22%	£3,818							
May-13	1,244,300	254,100	£40.0	20%	£3,823							
Jun-13		249,100	£38.1	20%	£3,826							
Jul-13	1,253,300	241,600	£38.3	19%	£3,838							
Aug-13	1,256,500	287,200	£37.8	23%	£3,840							
Sep-13		246,500	£39.5	20%	£3,847							
Oct-13	1,268,100	251,800	£38.5	20%	£3,848							
Nov-13	1,264,500	261,800	£38.4	21%	£3,850							
Dec-13		244,500	£38.2	19%	£3,859							
Jan-14	1,270,500	278,700	£39.5	22%	£3,858							
Feb-14	1,264,800	253,800	£39.8	20%	£3,863							
Mar-14	1,276,700	283,100	£39.9	22%	£3,858							

- 1) Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- 2) The number of cases with an arrears liability is determined as the number of cases with arrears at the start of the current quarter.
- The amount of arrears owed is the amount of arrears owed as at the end of the month.
- 4) A case is counted as paying towards arrears if they had an outstanding arrears balance at the end of the previous quarter and no liability to pay regular maintenance over current the quarter but money is being received via the collection service or, if the full regular liability has been satisfied in the quarter and additional payments have been received. Only payments over the existing liability amounts are counted towards the amount of arrears being paid. Therefore these figures will differ to that on page 36 (table 10) which looks at the number of cases with arrears at the end of the current quarter.
- 5) Maintenance direct cases are included within this table. These cases and associated money are only classed as contributing towards arrears if money is received via the collection service.

# **Outstanding Maintenance Arrears**

This shows the live caseload and those cases which have been cancelled/withdrawn or closed where the non resident parent has arrears, the annual outstanding maintenance arrears position from January 2012, split out by system.

The Outstanding Maintenance Arrears Position saw dip in December 2012 due to methodological changes, but has gradually increased and now stands close to its highest position.

- Outstanding Child Maintenance Arrears have decreased by £1 million to £3,858 million in March 2014<sup>2</sup> when compared to December 2013.
- The number of cases with arrears at the end of the quarter has decreased from 1,277,000 in December 2013 to **1,267,300** in March 2013.
- A graph of Outstanding Maintenance Arrears sourced from the Agency's General Ledger is included in Annex B to provide further historical data.

**Graph 9: Outstanding Maintenance Arrears** 

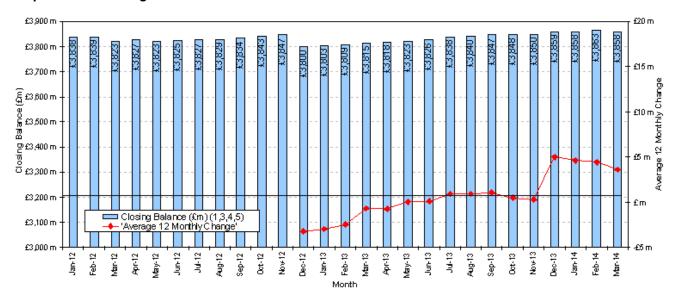


Table 10: Outstanding Maintenance Arrears

This shows the number of cases with outstanding arrears at the end of the quarter.

	1993 Sche	me <sup>(1,5)</sup>	2003 Scher	ne <sup>(1,2,5)</sup>	7	
Quarter ending:	Amount of Arrears (£m) <sup>(3,4)</sup>	Cases with arrears <sup>(2)</sup>	Amount of Arrears (£m) <sup>(3,4)</sup>	Cases with arrears <sup>(2)</sup>	Closing Balance (£m) <sup>(1,3,4,5)</sup>	Total Cases with Arrears <sup>(1,2,5)</sup>
Jan-12	£2,587	420,100	£1,249	776,400	£3,838	1,196,800
Feb-12	£2,575	417,000	£1,261	781,400	£3,839	1,198,600
Mar-12	£2,550	413,500	£1,271	782,100	£3,823	1,195,900
Apr-12	£2,537	412,600	£1,288	794,300	£3,827	1,207,200
May-12	£2,520	409,100	£1,301	798,900	£3,823	1,208,200
Jun-12	£2,512	406,800	£1,311	799,000	£3,825	1,206,100
Jul-12	£2,498	405,500	£1,327	809,300	£3,827	1,215,100
Aug-12	£2,490	404,900	£1,337	813,600	£3,829	1,218,800
Sep-12	£2,483	402,500	£1,350	820,200	£3,834	1,222,900
Oct-12	£2,476	401,100	£1,365	830,000	£3,843	1,231,400
Nov-12	£2,469	400,000	£1,377	831,000	£3,847	1,231,300
Dec-12	£2,405	396,300	£1,392	846,600	£3,800	1,243,200
Jan-13	£2,397	393,900	£1,404	846,200	£3,803	1,240,400
Feb-13	£2,391	393,100	£1,417	851,300	£3,809	1,244,700
Mar-13	£2,385	391,400	£1,428	854,000	£3,815	1,245,600
Apr-13	£2,375	390,700	£1,441	862,700	£3,818	1,253,600
May-13	£2,367	389,800	£1,454	866,900	£3,823	1,256,900
Jun-13	£2,359	387,900	£1,465	871,800	£3,826	1,259,900
Jul-13	£2,356	387,100	£1,481	881,000	£3,838	1,268,400
Aug-13	£2,352	385,900	£1,486	878,600	£3,840	1,264,800
Sep-13	£2,348	386,000	£1,497	885,700	£3,847	1,271,900
Oct-13	£2,341	384,200	£1,505	886,400	£3,848	1,270,800
Nov-13	£2,337	382,900	£1,511	881,800	£3,850	1,265,000
Dec-13	£2,334	382,900	£1,524	893,800	£3,859	1,277,000
Jan-14	£2,329	381,900	£1,527	886,200	£3,858	1,268,300
Feb-14	£2,325	381,100	£1,536	888,300	£3,863	1,269,700
Mar-14	£2,318	378,900	£1,538	888,100	£3,858	1,267,300

- Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- This table is cases with arrears at the end of the quarter and include cases that did not make a contribution towards the arrears within the quarter. Figures will therefore differ to the number of cases with an arrears liability on page 34 (table 9).
- Figures show the gross arrears position at the end of each quarter sourced from the Agency's internal MI.
- Due to the different sources, figures may differ slightly from CSA's Annual Report and Accounts.

  There are approximately 300 cases where the scheme in which the case is held cannot be identified, therefore scheme breakdowns may not sum to overall Agency figures.

# **Outstanding Arrears by Weekly Liability**

This shows the number of cases with outstanding arrears at the end of the quarter split by value of arrears.

The breakdown of Outstanding Arrears by weekly liability remains fairly consistent with the previous quarter; the majority of cases with arrears are owed on cases with no assessment.

• 67.4% of the total outstanding arrears are owed by Non Resident Parents who currently have either an assessment value of Nil or under £5.

Table 11: Number of Cases with Outstanding Arrears by Weekly Liability

Weekly Liability	Under	% of	£100 -	% of	£500 -	% of	£1,000 -	% of	£5,000 -	% of	£10,000 -	% of	£20,000 -	% of	£50,000	% of	Total	% of
<b>(£)</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	£100 <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	£499.99 <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	£999.99 <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	£4,999.99 <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	£9,999.99 <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	£19,999.99 <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	£49,999.99 <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	and		Cases with	
		Cases		Cases		Cases		Cases		Cases		Cases		Cases	Over <sup>(1)</sup>	Cases	Arrears <sup>(1,3)</sup>	Cases
		with		with		with		with		with		with		with		with		with
		Arrears		Arrears		Arrears		Arrears		Arrears		Arrears		Arrears		Arrears		Arrears
No Assessment	104,000	8.2%	148,400	11.7%	85,600	6.8%	184,800	14.6%	60,900	4.8%	45,400	3.6%	30,400	2.4%	4,100	0.3%	663,600	52.4%
£5 and Under	42,200	3.3%	59,800	4.7%	33,300	2.6%	45,500	3.6%	6,700	0.5%	2,400	0.2%	500	-	-	-	190,500	15.0%
£5.01 - £10 .00	7,300	0.6%	3,900	0.3%	1,900	0.2%	3,800	0.3%	1,000	0.1%	600	-	300	-	-	-	18,800	1.5%
£10.01 - £20.00	14,400	1.1%	8,400	0.7%	4,400	0.3%	9,000	0.7%	2,000	0.2%	600	0.1%	200	-	-	-	39,100	3.1%
£20.01 - £30.00	18,600	1.5%	20,800	1.6%	7,500	0.6%	16,300	1.3%	4,400	0.3%	1,800	0.1%	300	-	-	-	69,600	5.5%
£30.01 - £40.00	18,200	1.4%	32,000	2.5%	8,700	0.7%	17,400	1.4%	4,400	0.3%	2,100	0.2%	400	-	-	-	83,200	6.6%
£40.01 - £50.00	13,200	1.0%	27,500	2.2%	6,700	0.5%	13,700	1.1%	3,700	0.3%	1,900	0.1%	500	-	-	-	67,100	5.3%
£50.01 - £75.00	13,500	1.1%	37,700	3.0%	9,000	0.7%	17,700	1.4%	5,200	0.4%	3,100	0.2%	1,400	0.1%	100	-	87,600	6.9%
£75.01 - £100.00	3,700	0.3%	12,300	1.0%	3,300	0.3%	6,100	0.5%	2,000	0.2%	1,400	0.1%	900	0.1%	100	-	29,800	2.4%
£100.01 - £125.00	500	-	4,100	0.3%	1,700	0.1%	2,000	0.2%	800	0.1%	600	-	400	-	200	-	10,400	0.8%
£125.01 - £150.00	100	-	1,000	0.1%	1,000	0.1%	800	0.1%	300	-	200	-	200	-	100	-	3,800	0.3%
£150.01 - £200.00	100	-	500	-	700	0.1%	600		200	-	200	-	200	-	100	-	2,000	0.2%
£200.01- £250.00	-		100	-	200	-	200	-	100	-	-		-		-		700	0.1%
Over £250.01	-		100	-	100	-	200		-		100	-	100		-		600	-
Total	235,700	18.6%	356,700	28.1%	164,000	12.9%	318,200	25.1%	91,600	7.2%	60,400	4.8%	35,800	2.8%	4,900	0.4%	1,267,300	100.0%
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#### Notes:

a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.

b. Includes all cases with a positive outstanding arrears value.

c. Maintenance Direct cases with arrears are included in this table. Maintenance Direct cases are only classed as contributing towards these arrears if a receipt is received via the collection service.

a. Figures for weekly assessment are derived by converting quarterly liability value to a weekly amount.

b. Weekly assessment values have been set to 0 for all cases with no current assessment or no ongoing assessment.

c. Cases which have been recorded as maintenance direct have had the weekly assessment set to the value of the weekly assessment amount.

<sup>3)</sup> This table is cases with arrears at the end of the quarter and therefore will match page 35 (table 10) but will differ to the number of cases with an arrears liability on page 33 (table 9).

Similarly, the majority of the amount of arrears owed is on cases with no assessment, i.e. cases assessed as having a nil liability or no liability at all (Arrears only cases). The Agency's <u>Arrears Strategy</u> is to focus on collecting money for children who will benefit from regular ongoing maintenance payments today and therefore these arrears are treated with a lower priority.

• 59.7% of cases with arrears owe less than £1,000, this makes up 5.7% of the total value of arrears owed.

Table 12: Amount of Arrears owed by Weekly Liability - March 2014

Weekly Liability	Under £100	% of	£100 -	% of	£500 -	% of	£1,000 -	% of	£5,000 -	% of	£10,000 -	% of	£20,000 -	% of	£50,000 and	% of	Total	% of
<b>(£)</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	(£000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	Total	£499.99	Total	£999.99	Total	£4,999.99	Total	£9,999.99	Total	£19,999.99	Total	£49,999.99	Total	Over	Total	(£000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	Total
		Amount	(£000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	Amount		Amount												
		of																
		Arrears																
No Assessment	£4,153	0.1%	£39,541	1.0%	£62,098	1.6%	£441,360	11.4%	£433,606	11.2%	£639,822	16.6%	£910,032	23.6%	£281,459	7.3%	£2,812,072	72.9%
£5 and Under	£1,609	-	£15,866	0.4%	£23,988	0.6%	£94,908	2.5%	£46,217	1.2%	£31,941	0.8%	£14,647	0.4%	£2,258	0.1%	£231,433	6.0%
£5.01 - £10 .00	£227	-	£1,032	-	£1,394	-	£8,900	0.2%	£6,808	0.2%	£7,858	0.2%	£8,048	0.2%	£1,211	-	£35,477	0.9%
£10.01 - £20.00	£663	-	£2,164	0.1%	£3,192	0.1%	£20,729	0.5%	£13,523	0.4%	£8,726	0.2%	£5,577	0.1%	£910	-	£55,483	1.4%
£20.01 - £30.00	£921	-	£4,527	0.1%	£5,404	0.1%	£39,133	1.0%	£30,554	0.8%	£23,524	0.6%	£7,609	0.2%	£1,327	-	£113,000	2.9%
£30.01 - £40.00	£899	-	£6,820	0.2%	£6,247	0.2%	£41,178	1.1%	£30,739	0.8%	£28,764	0.7%	£11,057	0.3%	£1,143	-	£126,846	3.3%
£40.01 - £50.00	£713	-	£6,260	0.2%	£4,811	0.1%	£32,201	0.8%	£25,914	0.7%	£25,928	0.7%	£13,540	0.4%	£934	-	£110,302	2.9%
£50.01 - £75.00	£759	-	£9,577	0.2%	£6,416	0.2%	£42,627	1.1%	£36,725	1.0%	£42,918	1.1%	£38,410	1.0%	£3,965	0.1%	£181,398	4.7%
£75.01 - £100.00	£249	-	£3,712	0.1%	£2,347	0.1%	£14,989	0.4%	£14,143	0.4%	£20,104	0.5%	£27,396	0.7%	£7,176	0.2%	£90,115	2.3%
£100.01 - £125.00	£24	-	£1,228	-	£1,144	-	£4,921	0.1%	£5,518	0.1%	£8,568	0.2%	£12,839	0.3%	£13,077	0.3%	£47,319	1.2%
£125.01 - £150.00	£8	-	£274	-	£640	-	£1,951	0.1%	£1,870	-	£3,089	0.1%	£6,798	0.2%	£7,787	0.2%	£22,418	0.6%
£150.01 - £200.00	£3	-	£137	-	£530	-	£1,287	-	£1,489	-	£2,390	0.1%	£5,921	0.2%	£8,244	0.2%	£20,001	0.5%
£200.01- £250.00	£0	-	£36	-	£121	-	£435	-	£399	-	£684	-	£1,486	-	£2,652	0.1%	£5,813	0.2%
Over £250.01	£1	-	£30	-	£59	-	£417	-	£336	-	£767	-	£1,633	-	£2,633	0.1%	£5,877	0.2%
Total	£10,230	0.3%	£91,204	2.4%	£118,391	3.1%	£745,037	19.3%	£647,841	16.8%	£845,084	21.9%	£1,064,992	27.6%	£334,775	8.7%	£3,857,554	100.0%

#### Notes:

- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. Includes all cases with a positive outstanding arrears value.
- c. Maintenance Direct cases with arrears are included in this table. Maintenance Direct cases are only classed as contributing towards these arrears if a receipt is received via the collection service.
- a. Figures for weekly assessment are derived by converting quarterly liability value to a weekly amount.
- b. Weekly assessment values have been set to 0 for all cases with no current assessment or no ongoing assessment.
- c. Cases which have been recorded as maintenance direct have had the weekly assessment set to the value of the weekly assessment amount.

## **Outstanding Arrears by Date of Last Payment**

This shows the number of cases that last made a payment towards arrears in each quarter.

This quarter has seen an improvement in the number cases paying towards arrears as well as a reduction in cases never paid<sup>2</sup>.

- 20.9% of cases with an arrears liability made a contribution in the guarter to March 2014.
- 57.5% of cases have not made a payment towards outstanding arrears since January 2012.

Table 13: Outstanding Arrears by Date of Last Payment

,	Arrears Banding <sup>(1)</sup>											
								£50,000				
	Under	£100 -	£500 -	£1,000 -	£5,000 -	£10,000 -	£20,000 -	and				
Number of Cases:	£100	£499.99	£999.99	£4,999.99	£9,999.99	£19,999.99	£49,999.99	Over	Total			
Last paid quarter to Mar 14	62,100	98,600	29,000	49,500	13,500	7,700	3,500	300	264,300			
Last paid quarter to Dec 13	20,800	29,800	10,200	13,100	2,400	1,200	400	-	78,000			
Last paid quarter to Sep 13	8,400	15,000	6,200	9,300	1,900	900	300	-	42,100			
Last paid quarter to Jun 13	5,900	11,700	5,400	9,000	1,700	800	400	-	35,000			
Last paid quarter to Mar 13	6,700	12,300	6,300	10,300	2,000	900	400	-	38,800			
Last paid quarter to Dec 12	3,200	6,300	3,400	6,800	1,500	700	300	-	22,300			
Last paid quarter to Sep 12	2,400	5,100	3,100	6,200	1,400	700	300	-	19,300			
Last paid quarter to Jun 12	2,300	5,100	3,300	6,500	1,500	800	300	-	19,700			
Last paid quarter to Mar 12	2,400	4,600	3,000	6,100	1,600	700	300	-	18,800			
Never paid <sup>(2)</sup>	121,500	168,200	94,200	201,300	64,200	45,900	29,500	4,200	729,100			
Total Cases	235,700	356,700	164,000	318,200	91,600	60,400	35,800	4,900	1,267,300			

#### Notes:

a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.

b. Figures in the total column may differ to the breakdown totals due to rounding.

c. This table looks at the number of cases with arrears at the end of the quarter and when a payment towards arrears has been received and will therefore differ from the number of cases paying towards arrears on page 33 (table 9) which looks at the number of cases with arrears at the end of the previous quarter.

d. Maintenance direct cases with arrears are include within these tables, these cases are only classed as paying towards arrears if a receipt has been received via the collection service.

<sup>2)</sup> Data only available from January 2012, if no payments have been made after this date the case will be classed as 'Never Paid'.

## **Arrears Distribution**

This shows the proportion of cases with arrears and value of arrears by size of arrears outstanding on each case.

The arrears banding by caseload and value has remained consistent with the previous quarter.

- 59.6% of the arrears caseload owe £1,000 or less
- Arrears of over £10,000 make up 58.2% of the total value of outstanding arrears.

Table 14: Arrears Distribution

Arrears Band	Arrears Caseload (%):  March 14 <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Value of Arrears (%):  March 14 <sup>(1)</sup>
Under £100	18.6%	0.3%
£100 to £499.99	28.1%	2.4%
£500 to £999.99	12.9%	3.1%
£1,000 to £4,999.99	25.1%	19.3%
£5,000 to £9,999.99	7.2%	16.8%
£10,000 to £19,999.99	4.8%	21.9%
£20,000 to £49,999.99	2.8%	27.6%
£50,000 and over	0.4%	8.7%

#### Notes:

<sup>1)</sup> Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.

<sup>2)</sup> A case is counted in the arrears caseload if they have outstanding arrears at the end of the quarter.

## **Arrears Segmentation**

This table 'segments' the total outstanding arrears into various categories linked to the Agency's Arrears Strategy.

The level of arrears on priority cases where a child could still benefit had steadily increased in the period between June 2012 and September 2013, but has began to decrease from then. The latest guarter has decreased from £1,248m to £1,241m. The arrears on cases where money is flowing has increased by £2m in the latest quarter. Arrears owed to the Secretary of State is on a downward trend as very few arrears of this type can now accrue due to the removal of the compulsion on parents with care who are claiming benefits to use the CSA to collect maintenance payments. The amount of uncollectable arrears has generally been increasing, which is mainly due to the number of deceased parents, however the latest quarter has seen a slight decrease.

Parent with Care

Graph 10: Arrears Segmentation - March 2014 Money Flowing, £694m Secretary of State, £1,214m **Live Parent with** no money flowing, £547m Uncollectable. £255m **Parent with Care** Arrears Only, no money flowing, £1,122m

Table 15:	Arrears Segmer	ntation			_				
					Priority Cases <sup>(1,6,8)</sup>				
				Parent with		Live			
				Care Arrears	Parent with	Parent	Live Parent		
				Only, no	Care Arrears	with Care,	with Care,		
			Secretary of	•	Only, money	money	no money		
Quarter:	Total Arrears <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Uncollectable <sup>(1,4)</sup>	State <sup>(1,5)</sup>	flowing <sup>(1,6,8)</sup>	flowing <sup>(7)</sup>	flowing <sup>(7)</sup>	flowing		
Jun-12	£3,810m	£224m	£1,361m	£1,030m	£128m	£549m	£518m		
Sep-12	£3,818m	£232m	£1,341m	£1,049m	£128m	£546m	£521m		
Dec-12	£3,782m	£237m	£1,295m	£1,021m	£118m	£563m	£548m		
Mar-13	£3,796m	£241m	£1,281m	£1,037m	£115m	£575m	£546m		
Jun-13	£3,805m	£244m	£1,265m	£1,050m	£110m	£585m	£552m		
Sep-13	£3,824m	£250m	£1,255m	£1,065m	£110m	£586m	£558m		
Dec-13	£3,836m	£256m	£1,244m	£1,088m	£110m	£581m	£557m		
Mar-14	£3,832m	£255m	£1,214m	£1,122m	£111m	£583m	£547m		

- Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- Total arrears are less than the arrears figure shown elsewhere in this publication as some cases with arrears are uncategorised and do not fall into any of the above classifications.
- Arrears allocated to groups on a hierarchical basis. 3)
- Uncollectible arrears defined as arrears on cases where the non resident parent or parent with care is deceased, where the arrears are deferred or where the arrears are classed as Interim Maintenance Assessment Gap (money that cannot be collected due to it not being covered by legislation).
- Secretary of State arrears are Child Maintenance arrears which are owed to the Government. 5)
- Parent with care arrears are owed by the non resident parent to the parent with care. Arrears only cases are those where no ongoing child maintenance liability exists.
- Money flowing includes those cases where any child maintenance is being paid by the non resident parent, this could be ongoing 7) maintenance and / or arrears of maintenance.
- 8) Priority cases are where money is either flowing or where a child could benefit.
- For further information, please see the Child Maintenance Arrears Strategy.

### **Enforcement**

This shows the total volume of enforcement actions undertaken by the Agency.

There has been a reduction across all activities in the last year as the focus has been taking the right action on cases to secure compliance. In addition only cases with a current liability are being progressed unless customer driven.

- The number of Deduction from Earnings Orders/Requests issued between April 2012 and March 2013 was 78,770.
- The number of Lump Sum and Regular Deduction Orders authorised has continued to increase; 1,145 authorised during the period April 11 to March 12 rising to 1,385 in the period April 12 to March 13.

Table 16: Enforcement

	Apr 2007 - Mar 2008	Apr 2008 - Mar 2009	Apr 2009 - Mar 2010	Apr 2010 - Mar 2011	Apr 2011 - Mar 2012	Apr 2012 - Mar 2013	Year to Date Apr 2013 - Feb 2014
England, Wales and Scotland							
Civil Enforcement Actions							
Deduction from Earnings Orders/Requests (DEO/R) (1)							
Total issued	74,550	66,705	64,835	63,060	62,740	78,770	62,280
Number of active DEO/R	153,855	148,385	140,900	140,125	141,690	189,880	,
Total value received from DEO/R (£m)	277	312	299	285	288	329	303
Compliance at end of period (%)	76	78	82	81	82	87	88
Deduction Orders (2)							
Number of Cases where disclosure requests sent	-	-	1,795	4,355	3,980	5,250	5,880
Total number of Cases deselected at disclosure stage	-	-	1,230	3,270	2,925	2,900	4,430
Number of Lump Sum Deduction Orders authorised <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	165	375	430	565	605
Total value of funds secured by Lump Sum Deduction Order (£)	-	-	641,390	1,346,180	1,214,250	1,582,980	1,538,480
Total value received from Lump Sum Deduction Order (£)	-	-	378,575	968,035	1,263,465	1,396,815	1,298,495
Number of Regular Deduction Orders authorised	-	-	170	385	715	820	895
Total value of Regular Deduction Orders authorised (£)	-	-	1,522,625	3,425,815	4,966,070	5,215,735	6,992,155
Total value received from Regular Deduction Order (£)	-	-	79,950	245,360	531,370	634,800	787,020
Total disclosures in progress	-	-	460	370	265	920	350
Liability Orders (4)							
Number Applied for	21,175	28,360	26,830	19,365	19,390	19,415	12,535
Number Granted	17,755	24,675	23,485	18,510	17,080	15,660	11,785
Number Withdrawn / Dismissed	1,215	1,055	845	1,055	1,205	1,215	1,090
Distress Actions (E&W) (5)							
Number of Bailiff referrals	14,765	18,380	14,270	11,325	13,645	13,365	8,520
Charge for Payment (Scotland) (6)							
Number Sent	1,190	2,015	1,320	880	645	625	415
Number Served	950	1,805	1,195	1,150	655	565	400
Charging Orders (E&W) (7)		,	,	,			
Number Applied for	1.735	2.480	2.800	2.210	3.235	2.415	1.680
Number Granted	1,125	1,545	1,695	1,730	2,480	2,055	1,395
Number Withdrawn	365	285	315	180	105	90	55
Orders for Sale (E&W) (8)	000	200	010	100	100		I
Number referred for consideration		105	335	405	505	595	330
Number Vithdrawn / Other closure	-	5	90	165	345	365	330
Full Order for Sale Granted	-	15	90 35	75	60	80	65
	-	10	60	120	125	95	115
Number paid before Full Order for Sale	-	10	00	120	123	90	113
Bill of Inhibition (Scotland) (9)	4.045	4 745	000	005	405	000	405
Number issued	1,045	1,745	900	665	405	300	185
Number successful	20	25	15	385	370	260	170
Committals (10)						_	
Order to Pay only	90	125	115	65	40	5	-
Suspended Committal sentences	480	580	760	1,010	1,030	245	-
Committal Sentences	25	45	45	40	30	10	-
Suspended driving license disqualification sentences	15	45	75	165	250	55	-
Driving license disqualification sentences	5	5	10	30	45	5	-
Recovery from Deceased Estate (11)							
Cases referred to DWP for action	-	-	15	1,040	1,140	910	820
Total value of debt referred to DWP (£)	-	-	98,840	5,721,910	5,965,445	5,458,095	4,568,165
Number of cases with debt recovered by DWP	-	-	-	60	130	110 489,540	110 419,615
Total value of debt recovered by DWP (£)  Criminal Enforcement Actions	-	-	-	242,495	402,130	409,540	419,013
Prosecutions (12)							
Section 32(8) - Action taken for failure to implement a DEO request	-	40	100	185	85	60	15
Section 14(A)2 - Action taken for Misrepresenting evidence (Fraud)	-	10	30	40	55	60	15
Section 14(A)3 - Failure to provide evidence	-	1,390	1,610	750	415	40	15

### Notes:

<sup>1)</sup> 

a. Deductions from Earnings Orders/Requests (DEO/R's) are where the Agency makes a request to an employer to deduct maintenance directly from the earnings of a non resident parent. The stock of DEO/R's and number of new DEO/R's set

up only include those administered on the CS2 and CSCS computer systems and exclude those administered off system. The value of maintenance collected from DEO/R's is calculated by summing receipts of maintenance in a month on all cases with a DEO/R in place at the end of the month. Due to timing in setting up a DEO/R, this may include some receipts that were collected by other methods. The monthly amounts are then summed to give annual figures.

- DEO/R figures for April 2012 onwards have been calculated based on a new methodology.
- c. Total number of DEO/R's issued is the live caseload in which a new DEO/R has been applied. A new DEO/R has been identified by comparing the current quarter to the previous quarter, if a DEO/R did not exist on the previous quarter but does on the current quarter then this has been classed as a new DEO/R being issued.
- d. Number of active DEO/Rs is the live caseload where a DEO/R in place.
- e. Total value received from a DEO/R is the sum of the receipts on the live caseload where a DEO/R is in place.
- f. Percentage Compliance is calculated on the number of cases contributing towards a current liability and has a DEO/R in place.
- 2) Deduction Orders are where the Agency applies to deduct maintenance directly from a non resident parent's bank/building society account, following non payment of maintenance. There are two types of deduction order, a regular deduction order which deducts a regular fixed amount in respect of either regular maintenance and/or arrears and a lump sum deduction order which initially freezes, and later deducts a lump sum amount solely in respect of arrears. A deduction order is made through an administrative process, which means an application to court is not required before the order can be made. Disclosure requests are sent to banks and building societies to obtain financial information. A disclosure request is sent to every bank/building society which holds an account attached to a case, therefore there can be multiple disclosure requests issued for each case.
- 3) Authorised This stage of the process is where the deduction order has been approved by a senior colleague and sent to the bank/building society.
  Secured This stage, in respect of lump sum deduction orders only, is where the interim lump sum deduction order has been sent to the bank/building society and the monies have been secured, but they have not yet been sent to the Commission.
  Deduction orders were introduced in August 2009.
- 4) A liability order is a document obtained from the court showing that they legally recognise that the debt is owed. This is the same in England, Wales and Scotland. This is required before the Agency can use litigation powers (Diligence in Scotland). A liability order is counted as applied for when a court date is assigned for the application to be made. Some cases which have had liability orders applied for are still going through the liability order process, and awaiting an outcome.
- 5) Distress actions refer to bailiff actions in England & Wales. This is where, once the debt has been legally recognised, the Agency has passed the debt to a bailiff company for collection (or equivalent). Number of Bailiff Referrals is sourced directly from external providers. Attachments refer to actions taken by Sheriff Officers in Scotland on the Agency's instruction to attach certain goods and remove for auction if the debt is not settled. An attachment notice is served directly to the non resident parent by a Sheriff's Officer.
- 6) A charge for payment is a Scottish action only. This is where, once the debt has been legally recognised via a Liability Order, the Agency refers the case to Sheriff Officers to serve, in person, the charge for payment to the non resident parent.
- 7) Charging orders in England & Wales are where a County Court Order for the legally recognised debt is attached to the equity of a non-resident parent's property. A charging order is counted as applied for at the point the application is lodged at the County Court. Some cases which have a charging order applied for are still going through the charging order process and awaiting an outcome.
- 8) Order for sale action can be taken once a final charging order has been granted against a property owned or jointly owned by the NRP. Through the Agency's external supplier action will be taken to secure payment, if full payment is not made and there is evidence of equity an application may be made to the court for an order for sale. The Agency may seek to take possession of a property if there is evidence of equity and it this action is deemed to be the most appropriate to secure the child support arrears owed. The Order for Sale process is complex and, as a result, the time taken between a referral and achieving an outcome can be significant. Information on Orders for Sale is only available from July 2008.
- 9) Bills of Inhibition in Scotland do not attach directly to the non-resident parent's property, but are personal prohibitions preventing heritable property being transferred, alienated or disposed of by the non-resident parent. A bill of inhibition is counted as applied for when an instruction for Inhibition is sent to the Solicitors. Some cases which have had a bill of inhibition sent for are still going through the bill of inhibition process.
- 10) An order to pay is where the Magistrate grants a custodial prison sentence, suspended on condition that the non resident parent makes payment. Committal information includes both actual and suspended committal sentences and driving licence disqualifications following non payment of child maintenance.
- 11) Recovery from Deceased Estates is where the Agency and parent with care seek to recover arrears of child maintenance from the estate of a non resident parent. The difference between the number of cases referred to DWP and cases with debt recovered reflects the duration and complexity of the Recovery from Estates process. This process can take two years or more to complete for probate to be granted and the estate to be distributed. Recovery from Deceased Estates powers came into effect in January 2010.
- 12) Prosecutions involve the threat and/or the use of criminal fines where an individual or organisation commits a criminal offence under child support law. Example offences include failure to provide information requisition, misrepresentation of information, and/or failure to comply with a deduction from earnings order. Information on prosecutions is only available from April 2008.

## **Appeals**

This shows the number of appeals, where a client challenges the maintenance decision, and time taken to deal with appeals.

The average end to end process time taken to clear an appeal has seen a gradual increase from April 2007. This is due to increased workload from DWP and the knock on effect of the increased time taken for a hearing to be arranged and decision to be made by the Jurisdiction, which is outside Agency control.

- The number of Appeals received during 2013-2014 was 3,425, a decrease of 2,180 on the number received during 2012-2013 and the lowest figure since 2007-2008.
- The number of appeals being submitted to the Tribunal Service has reduced by 31% from March 2008 where it was 4,400 to March 2014 where it stands at 3,025.
- From October 2013 Mandatory Reconsiderations have been introduced into the appeals process. This is where the Child Maintenance Service will look again at the entire decision before a client can appeal against it.

Table 17: Appeals

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							Rolling 12
							month
	Fi	nancial Yea	ar				period
	Apr 2007 -	Apr 2008 -	Apr 2009 -	Apr 2010 -	Apr 2011 -	Apr 2012 -	Apr 2013 -
	Mar 2008				Mar 2012		
CSA Appeals received <sup>(1)</sup>							
1993 Scheme	3,075	2,990	2,200	1,515	1,270	845	380
2003 Scheme	4,210	4,845	4,115	4,105	5,080	4,605	2,975
Departure Appeals	525	470	430	335	160	160	70
Total Appeals received	7,810	8,305	6,750	5,960	6,510	5,605	3,425
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Outcomes <sup>(1)</sup>							
Revised <sup>(2)</sup>	1,685	1,740	1,425	1,180	1,460	1,245	845
Withdrawn <sup>(3)</sup>	1,165	1,370	1,235	805	1,235	1,015	615
Submitted to Tribunal Service <sup>(4)</sup>	4,400	5,250	4,040	3,885	3,840	4,080	3,025
Average time taken to clear (weeks) - Stage 1	8.5	10.7	7.5	6.9	8.7	7.7	7.4
							<u> </u>
Average time taken to revise a Maintenance calculation following a decision	on from The Tr	ibunal Ser	vice - Stage	e 3 <sup>(1)</sup>			ļ
Average time taken in weeks	0.3	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Average time taken in days	2.3	5.9	5.2	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.3
Average time taken to clear the end to end process (weeks) <sup>(1)</sup>	20.0	21.8	25.7	28.4	30.9	32.5	35.9

### Notes:

- 1) Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- 2) Revised Where an original decision has been found to be incorrect during the appeals process and is revised. If the new decision is to the financial advantage of the appellant then the appeal lapses and all appeals action is complete.
- 3) Withdrawn The appellant may decide at any point during the appeal process that they no longer wish to proceed with the appeal and request it to be withdrawn.
- 4) Submitted to Tribunal Service When an application decision is disputed and is reconsidered, but the applicant is still not satisfied with the out come.
- 5) Outcomes of Appeals are published within Table 1.2d of the Tribunal Services Quarterly Summary of Statistics tables. Details can be obtained by following: <a href="http://www.justice.gov.uk/downloads/statistics/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/tribs-stats/statiss/

# **Complaints**

This shows how many complaints the Agency receives and manages each month.

There has been a gradual reduction in the number of Complaints received on a quarterly basis.

• 3,800 complaints were received in the quarter to March 2014, a decrease of 1,600 when compared to March 2013.

Table 18: Complaints

Month Ending:	Number of Complaints Received <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Closures <sup>(1)</sup>	Uncleared Work <sup>(1)</sup>	% of complaints fully resolved or had a resolution plan in place within 15 days <sup>(1)</sup>
Jan-12	1,830	1,760	1,580	99.3%
Feb-12	1,900	1,840	1,640	99.8%
Mar-12	1,930	1,940	1,620	99.5%
Apr-12	1,630	1,490	1,760	99.2%
May-12	1,810	1,840	1,750	99.5%
Jun-12	1,530	1,510	1,770	99.3%
Jul-12	1,900	1,750	1,920	99.0%
Aug-12	1,710	1,690	1,920	99.3%
Sep-12	1,490	1,530	1,890	99.4%
Oct-12	1,930	1,770	1,900	99.6%
Nov-12	1,960	1,920	1,930	99.2%
Dec-12	1,400	1,500	1,860	99.3%
Jan-13	1,860	1,720	2,010	99.6%
Feb-13	1,810	1,820	1,990	99.6%
Mar-13	1,680	1,930	1,720	99.4%
Apr-13	1,410	1,550	1,600	99.3%
May-13	1,440	1,490	1,560	99.9%
Jun-13	1,310	1,370	1,540	99.6%
Jul-13	1,470	1,360	1,580	99.6%
Aug-13	1,180	1,330	1,400	99.5%
Sep-13	1,120	1,220	1,320	99.6%
Oct-13	1,420	1,330	1,410	99.7%
Nov-13	1,320	1,300	1,460	99.5%
Dec-13	1,080	1,090	1,480	99.4%
Jan-14	1,300	1,240	1,520	99.1%
Feb-14	1,290	1,260	1,550	99.5%
Mar-14	1,190	1,300	1,420	99.6%

### Notes

<sup>1)</sup> The number of complaints received includes complaints at the resolution and review stage, and complaints handled off system.

## **Telephony Performance**

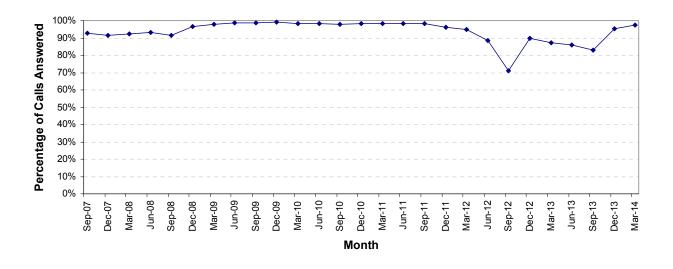
This shows how quickly calls to the Agency were answered each month.

The performance of telephone calls answered in 60 seconds has generally remained consistent since September 2007. The dip in telephony performance in September 2012 is attributable to the increase in connection companies targeting lines meaning a greater number of calls are being received on lines that are not resourced to cope with the customer demand, resulting in a reduction in both calls answered and time to answer. A technical solution was implemented October 2012.

- 2,950,400 telephone calls were answered in the 12 months to March 2014, with the
  calls answered from the queue in an average of 30 seconds. This compares to the 12
  months to March 2013 where 3,404,700 telephone calls were answered, with the
  average waiting time of 33 seconds.
- The in month percentage of calls answered within 60 seconds was 98.2% for March 2014. This is compared to a December 2013 figure of 95.2% and the March 2013 figure of 87.4%.
- The year to date position as at March 2014 was **89.3%**. This was up on both the year to date position as at December 2013 of 86.8% and the March 2013 position of 88.0%.

**Graph 11: Telephony Performance** 

% of calls answered in 60 seconds



### Notes:

 Computer system enhancements were implemented in October 2008, with a higher proportion of calls now being routed direct to the caseworker dealing with that particular case.

## **General Notes**

### **Table Conventions**

- . = "not applicable"
- .. = "not available"
- = less than the rounding threshold. In tables rounded to the nearest 100, this represents a figure of less than 50. In tables rounded to the nearest 5, this represents a figure of less than 5.

Caseload figures are rounded to the nearest 100.
Enforcement figures are rounded to the nearest 5.
Appeals figures are rounded to the nearest 5.
Complaints figures are rounded to the nearest 10.
Collections figures are rounded to the nearest £0.1m
Outstanding arrears figures are rounded to the nearest £1m.

### Data

CSCS data is a 100% download of all cases administered on the CSCS computer system. Updates are received at each month end.

CS2 data is a 100% download of all cases administered on the CS2 computer system. Updates are received on a daily basis and processed at each month end.

Cases operating under 2003 Scheme rules are recorded on the CS2 computer system. Those cases operating under 1993 Scheme rules are mainly recorded on CSCS with a proportion of transitional cases, recorded on the CS2 computer systems. Transitional cases are cases that still fall under CSCS rules but are processed on CS2 by Transitional Caseworkers.

Clerical Case Database is a 100% download of all cases administered off system. These cases are defined as cases which, due to technical issues, cannot be processed on the computer system or are cases with a manual payment. Cases with a manual payment are those that are processed on the computer system but payments to the parent with care have to be made manually.

Some of the measures from the above sources are subject to revision caused by late notifications on the system with intake, clearances and uncleared work the most affected. In most months retrospection has minimal impact, with measures being impacted typically by less than 50 cases in previous months. Tables affected by retrospective changes are footnoted throughout the publication.

Accuracy figures are based on checking a sample of cases that have had a new assessment carried out to ensure that specific elements of the case, such as the maintenance calculation, are is correct. The accuracy information in this publication relates to the CS2 system only. In 2011/12 for cases administered on the CS2 system, this represented a sample of approximately 1.66% of the total population.

For further information please see the <u>Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary of Statistics Metadata</u> or <u>Information on Child Maintenance Administrative Data Sources</u>. Information on the quality of these statistics can be found in the <u>Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary of Statistics Background Quality Report</u>.

Detailed policy and methodology relating to the Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary of Statistics is available for reports <u>published prior to December 2013</u> and reports <u>published post December 2013</u>.

More details on DWP policy statements including quality guidelines can be found online.

### **Uses and Users**

The Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary of Statistics is used by a wide range of stakeholders both internally and externally, for example by charitable organisations, to:

- Review and monitor performance against key areas including the number of children benefiting from maintenance, total value of money collected and arranged and the number of cases where there has been a successful outcome
- Understand the split of cases and performance across the 1993 and 2003 statutory child maintenance schemes
- Provide a full view of child maintenance activity from application to enforcement.

For further information please see <u>Uses and Users of the Child Support Agency Quarterly Summary of Statistics</u>.

### 2012 Scheme

The Government is reforming the child maintenance system so that it provides support to enable parents to work together after a separation, not only on child maintenance arrangements, but on the whole range of issues faced following separation. Incentives are being introduced to encourage parents to think twice about whether they could set up a family-based child maintenance arrangement without automatically turning to the statutory child maintenance scheme.

For those parents who are not able to make their own family-based arrangement, the 2012 statutory maintenance scheme will be available.

The 2012 child maintenance scheme was introduced on 10 December 2012, using a pathfinder approach to new applicants with at least four qualifying children with the same two parents named in the application. On 29 July 2013 the 2012 scheme opened to new applicants with at least two qualifying children with the same two parents named in the application. On 25 November 2013, the scheme opened up to all new applicants.

The 1993 and 2003 statutory schemes will continue to be delivered by the Child Support Agency (CSA). Once the 2012 scheme is seen to be working well, cases on the 1993 and 2003 schemes will close. This process is expected to take around 3 years.

Performance relating to the 2012 Scheme is not included in this publication.

Experimental Statistics on the <u>2012 Scheme</u> covering the period of August 2013 – February 2014 were published on 26 March 2014, and the next release covering the data up to May 2014 will be released on 11 June 2014.

### Changes in this QSS

From 25 November 2013, all new applications for child maintenance are made under the 2012 Scheme (see Introduction for further details). Consequently, the 1993 and 2003 Scheme caseloads will steadily reduce as no new intake is received and cases close. For this reason Tables relating to Intake/Clearances and Uncleared work and Initial Clearance Types have moved to Annex A. A small number of other tables have also moved to Annex A to enhance the presentation of the publication.

We have now removed information on the net administration costs as there is no updated information available after July 2012 when the CSA became a part of DWP and costs are not available as a separate entity.

### Changes to future publications

Going forward, the graphs and tables showing Time to Clear Applications data and Intake, Clearance and Uncleared work data will not be updated and will move to Annex B. This is due to all applications being processed on the 2012 Scheme and consequently the 2003 Scheme clearance figures are no longer suitable for reporting. This also affects the throughput data in the Key Measures table which will be removed form next quarter.

### **Appeals Process**

A DWP wide change to the way in which clients can appeal against decisions was introduced under Section 102 of the Welfare Reform Act, these changes became effective from 28 October 2013.

The main Appeal Reform changes that impact child maintenance are:

- Mandatory Reconsideration from 28 October where all decisions will be looked at before a client can appeal against it
- Direct Lodgement from 28 October 2013 where it is appropriate for clients to appeal, they must appeal direct to HM Courts & Tribunals Service.

The changes will be reflected in future statistics.

## **Upcoming Releases**

The next QSS containing data on 1993/2003 Schemes up to June 2014 is due to be released in July/August 2014. The exact date will be announced at least four weeks in advance on the <u>UKSA Publication Hub</u>.

### **Help Us Improve Our Publication**

We are constantly aiming to improve this release and its associated commentary. We would welcome any feedback you might have.

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# Annex A

Table 19: Intake/Clearances and Uncleared work

This shows the total intake of 2003 Scheme applications, total clearances and total remaining uncleared applications.

	2003	Scheme			
Quarter Ending:	Quarterly	Quarterly	Total Uncleared	Uncleared 2003	Uncleared 1993
Quarter Ending.	Intake <sup>(1,3,6)</sup>	Clearances <sup>(1,3)</sup>	Applications <sup>(3,4)</sup>	Scheme	Scheme
	muno	Olculations	Applications	Applications <sup>(3,4)</sup>	Applications (3,4,5)
Mar-03	11,100	1,400	259,900	17,600	242,300
Jun-03	60,500	14,600	279,600	63,500	216,100
Sep-03	73,300	37,900	293,800	98,800	195,000
Dec-03	75,700	49,400	288,200	125,100	163,100
Mar-04	79,600	51,600	295,600	153,100	142,600
Jun-04	85,200	62,300	296,300	176,000	120,300
Sep-04	75,700	50,900	306,200	200,800	105,400
Dec-04	68,800	51,100	317,300	218,500	98,800
Mar-05	73,600	70,000	309,700	222,100	87,600
Jun-05	74,300 73,400	78,800 76,500	294,900 284,300	217,700 214,500	77,300
Sep-05 Dec-05	80,800	76,500 85,200	274,000	210,100	69,700 63,900
Mar-06	99,200	92,800	277,300	216,500	60,800
Jun-06	75,000	84,700	265,700	206,800	58,900
Sep-06	71,000	83,200	246,600	194,600	52,000
Dec-06	58,500	72,900	224,400	176,900	47,500
Mar-07	85,500	115,300	184,400	147,200	37,200
Jun-07	73,300	91,000	162,900	131,500	31,400
Sep-07	76,800	86,700	147,400	121,300	26,100
Dec-07	72,400	79,100	136,500	113,500	23,000
Mar-08	76,900	85,400	121,800	101,500	20,300
Jun-08	71,200	84,600	104,900	86,800	18,000
Sep-08	54,500	68,200	88,100	72,700	15,400
Dec-08	20,400	42,600	62,100	49,800	12,400
Mar-09	24,000	30,700	43,600	39,000	4,600
Jun-09	24,200	32,300	30,000	28,300	1,600
Sep-09	26,500	28,100	26,000	24,700	1,300
Dec-09	22,800	26,500	20,100	18,900	1,200
Mar-10	27,300	26,300	18,000	17,900	100
Jun-10	27,000	25,400	18,400	18,300	100
Sep-10	29,300	28,200	18,200	18,100	100
Dec-10	25,500	28,900	13,500	13,500	-
Mar-11 Jun-11	31,000	29,600 27,400	14,100 15,800	-	-
Sep-11	29,700 32,100	30,800	16,600	-	-
Dec-11	27,300	30,700	12,800	_	_
Mar-12	31,000	30,300	13,100		_
Jun-12	29,200	26,700	15,200	<u>-</u>	-
Sep-12	30,900	29,600	16,100	_	-
Dec-12	28,100	30,800	12,800	_	-
Mar-13	30,800	30,000	13,200	-	-
Jun-13	30,900	30,400	13,400	-	-
Sep-13	22,300	21,100	14,500	-	-
Dec-13	11,500	15,500	10,600		
Mar-14	500	10,800	500		

- 1) Intake and clearances figures exclude the performance of cases managed off system.
- 2)
- a. A 2003 Scheme clearance is defined under the following circumstances; If a maintenance calculation has been carried out and a payment arrangement between the parent with care and the non resident parent is in place; an application has been cancelled or withdrawn; a maintenance calculation has been carried out and nil liability established; or the application has been closed.
- b. Intake figures count applications for Child Support. Not all applications become live cases. Similarly, clearances count all applications cleared and not just live cases.
- c. A change in legislation in October 2008 removed the compulsion for parents with care on income based benefits (Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance (Income Based)) to pursue a claim for child support through the Agency. After this date, it was expected that some parents with care would opt to end their child support claim with CSA.
- d. In the run up to the change, a further legislative repeal in July 2008 meant that single parents making a new claim for income based benefit would no longer be referred to CSA. Some will have made direct arrangements with the Agency, but they are not compelled to do so.
- e. These figures are subject to revision in future publications. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this table.

- a. These figures are subject to revision in future publications. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this table.
- b. In January and February 2007 CSA implemented a computer system change to free-up applications that could not be progressed due to system issues. The change involved the deletion of around 11,750 2003 Scheme applications and the subsequent re-entry of the vast majority back onto the system. This has had the impact of artificially increasing the clearance and intake figures for January and February by 1,500 and 10,250 respectively.
- A small sample of cases indicates that most uncleared applications reported as 1993 Scheme were in fact 2003 Scheme.
- 4) Uncleared application figures include the performance of cases managed off system from October 2006.
- 5) 1993 Scheme uncleared applications relate to cases that have not been assessed.
- 6) Intake figures in this table may differ from intake figures on page 56 (table 22). Intake figures in the table above are based on the date the case was first entered on the CS2 computer system. Intake figures on page 56 (table 22) are based on the date when a customer first made contact with the Agency. The Agency is still receiving a small number of new applications on the 2003 scheme. These relate to applications which cannot be made to the 2012 scheme because either an existing scheme case is open or their liability ended less than 13 weeks before the non resident parent or parent with care contacted the Agency. We also expect there to be some residual handling issues, which require a small number of cases to be processed on the 2003 scheme rather than the 2012 scheme

Table 20: Initial Clearance Types

This shows a breakdown by type of clearance for all 2003 Scheme clearances.

				Payment Schedule Set Up <sup>(1,6)</sup>							
Month	Total Clearances <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Closed <sup>(1,3)</sup>	Nil Liability <sup>(1,4)</sup>	Maintenance Direct <sup>(1,5)</sup>	Payment(s) Made	No Payment Made <sup>(2)</sup>					
Jun-03	14,600	11,600	600	600	1,600	-					
Sep-03	37,900	22,800	3,200	1,600	10,000	400					
Dec-03	49,400	29,500	3,900	1,900	13,500	600					
Mar-04	51,600	30,000	4,400	2,100	14,600	500					
Jun-04	62,300	43,300	3,800	2,100	12,800	300					
Sep-04	50,900	31,300	3,600	2,400	13,300	300					
Dec-04	51,100	29,200	3,800	3,500	14,400	200					
Mar-05	70,000	45,300	5,200	4,500	14,800	200					
Jun-05	78,800	53,200	5,400	4,900	15,100	300					
Sep-05	76,500	49,500	5,500	5,500 6,400	15,700	300					
Dec-05 Mar-06	85,200 92,800	55,300 58,400	6,300 8,100	6,400 6,800	16,900 19,200	300 400					
Jun-06	84,700	51,900	6,500	7,600	18,400	300					
Sep-06	83,200	54,500	5,700	6,900	15,800	300					
Dec-06	72,900	46,100	5,600	5,700	15,200	300					
Mar-07	115,300	77,200	8,800	8,100	20,700	500					
Jun-07	91,000	54,500	8,100	8,300	19,600	500					
Sep-07	86,700	53,700	7,000	7,700	17,800	500					
Dec-07	79,100	48,600	6,400	7,000	16,800	400					
Mar-08	85,400	53,700	6,800	6,800	17,900	300					
Jun-08	84,600	54,200	6,200	6,600	17,300	400					
Sep-08	68,200	49,400	3,300	3,700	11,600	200					
Dec-08	42,600	26,800	3,000	2,700	9,900	200					
Mar-09	30,700	13,500	3,300	2,800	10,700	300					
Jun-09	32,300	16,400	2,700	2,700	10,300	200					
Sep-09	28,100	11,300	2,800	2,600	11,200	200					
Dec-09	26,500	8,100	3,000	2,900	12,400	200					
Mar-10	26,300	8,300	3,000	2,900	12,000	200					
Jun-10	25,400	7,100	2,800	2,900	12,300	300					
Sep-10	28,200	7,500	3,200	3,600	13,600	300					
Dec-10	28,900	7,400	3,300	4,000	14,000	300					
Mar-11	29,600	7,800	3,500	4,300	13,600	300					
Jun-11	27,400	7,200	2,900	4,300	12,800	300					
Sep-11	30,800	8,300	3,400	4,700	14,000	300					
Dec-11	30,700	7,800	3,300	4,900	14,400	400					
Mar-12	30,300	7,800	3,500	4,300	14,200	400					
Jun-12	26,700 20,600	6,900 7,500	2,800	3,900	12,700	400 500					
Sep-12 Dec-12	29,600 30,800	7,500 7,500	3,200 3,400	4,600 4,600	13,800 14,800	500 600					
Mar-13	30,000	7,500 7,500	3,300	4,600	14,000	600					
Jun-13	30,400	7,800	3,300	4,900	13,800	800					
Sep-13	21,100	5,400	2,200	3,100	9,700	800					
Dec-13	15,500	4,400	1,700	1,800	6,900	700					
Mar-14	10,800	2,100	1,800	1,100	3,700	2,100					
	10,000	2,100	1,000	1,100	0,100	2,100					

### Notes:

Figures are against 2003 statutory maintenance service only, including cases managed off system.

These figures are subject to revision in future publications. Payment(s) made / not made figures are subject to greater degrees of revision to reflect when a first payment is received. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this received are the production of this payment is received.

Cases where no payment has yet been made will always be artificially high for the latest month of intake. These are cases where a collection schedule has been set up but the first payment may not yet be due.

- Closed category includes applications closed prior to a calculation being carried out, applications where the parent with care is identified as claiming good cause or subject to a reduced benefit decision, the application is actually a change of circumstance on an existing case or where the case is closed after a calculation but prior to a first payment being made.

  Nil liability includes cases where a nil liability calculation is the first calculation carried out or where a nil liability calculation is
- 4) carried out prior to receipt of first payment.
- Maintenance direct includes cases where the first calculation is a maintenance direct arrangement or where a maintenance direct 5) arrangement is made prior to receipt of first payment.
- Figures may not sum to clearance figures on page 50 (table 19) due to rounding.

### Table 21: Reasons for Case Closure Following Calculation

This shows a breakdown by reason for closure for all 2003 Scheme closures (including cancelled/withdrawn cases) following calculation.

The number of closures in the 'Other' category almost doubled in the period between September and December 2013, and has seen an even greater increase in the current quarter. This is mainly due to a large number of cases that previously had a cancelled/withdrawn status now ending their liabilities.

To	tal Closures	Application not	<b>Application Not</b>			
Quarter	following	pursued by	Eligible / No	Application		
Ending: Ca	alculation <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Applicant <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Longer Valid <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Superseded <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Reconciliation <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Other $^{(1,2,3)}$
Jun-03	100	- Applicant	Longor vana	-	-	-
Sep-03	600	400	100	_	100	_
Dec-03	1,500	1,000	200	100	200	_
Mar-04	2,400	1,500	300	100	400	100
Jun-04	2,300	1,400	400	100	400	100
Sep-04	2,600	1,400	600	100	400	100
Dec-04	2,600	1,300	700	100	500	100
Mar-05	2,700	1,200	700	200	600	100
Jun-05	2,800	1,100	800	200	600	100
Sep-05	3,100	1,100	1,000	200	700	200
Dec-05	3,700	1,200	1,400	200	700	200
Mar-06	4,200	1,300	1,500	200	900	300
Jun-06	4,100	1,100	1,400	200	1,000	400
Sep-06	4,800	1,400	1,800	200	1,000	400
Dec-06	5,000	1,500	2,100	200	1,000	200
Mar-07	5,700	1,600	2,200	400	1,200	300
Jun-07	6,000	1,700	2,300	500	1,200	300
Sep-07	6,700	1,800	2,800	600	1,100	300
Dec-07	6,400	1,700	2,800	500	1,000	300
Mar-08	7,200	2,000	3,000	600	1,300	400
Jun-08	7,300	2,000	3,000	600	1,200	400
Sep-08	7,700	1,700	3,700	600	1,100	600
Dec-08	12,300	5,100	4,900	400	1,300	600
Mar-09	12,800	5,900	4,300	400	1,600	600
Jun-09	11,000	5,100	3,600	200	1,500	600
Sep-09	13,000	4,900	6,200	200	1,300	500
Dec-09	9,400	4,000	3,800	100	1,000	400
Mar-10	9,400	4,400	3,400	100	1,000	500
Jun-10	7,500	3,200	3,000	100	800	400
Sep-10	8,900	2,900	4,600	-	900	400
Dec-10	9,300	3,200	4,900	-	700	400
Mar-11	10,300	3,800	4,800	-	1,100	600
Jun-11	8,500	3,300	3,900	-	800	500
Sep-11	11,400	3,300	6,700	-	800	600
Dec-11	10,600	3,400	5,900	-	800	500
Mar-12	10,200	3,900	5,000	-	800	400
Jun-12	8,500	3,100	4,400	-	700	400
Sep-12	10,700	3,500	6,100	-	600	400
Dec-12	11,100	3,300	6,600	-	600	600
Mar-13	10,500	3,800	5,400	-	700	600
Jun-13	9,200	3,700	4,200	-	700	600
Sep-13	12,300	3,800	7,200	-	600	800
Dec-13 Mar-14	12,800 14,100	3,900	6,800	-	600 600	1,500 3,700
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### Notes

<sup>1)</sup> Figures are against 2003 statutory maintenance service only, including cases managed off system.

- a. A closure is defined under the following circumstances; an application has been cancelled or withdrawn, a parent with care has been identified as claiming Good Cause or is subject to a Reduced Benefit Decision; or the application has been closed or terminated.
- b. Closures as above, though completed by case worker, can be initiated by either the system or the user themselves. Where case workers initiate closures, the closure reason is selected from a pre-defined list. As this is subjective, in some instances the selected reason may not reflect the actual reason for closure.
- c. Figures do not include performance of cases processed off system.
- d. Figures only include cases closed after a maintenance calculation has taken place.
- e. The figures in this table are subject to revision in future publications. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this table.
- f. A change in legislation in October 2008 removed the compulsion for parents with care on income based benefit (Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance (Income Based)) to pursue a claim for child support through the Agency. After this date, it is expected that some parents with care will opt to end their child support claim with CSA..
- 3) Closures included in the 'Other' category include all case closures where the reason differs from those specified in the table above.

Table 22: Time to Clear Applications

This shows the length of time taken to clear applications received by the Agency each month.

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Month of Intake	Intake <sup>(1)</sup>	Within 12 weeks <sup>(2)</sup>	%	Within 18 weeks <sup>(2)</sup>	%	Within 26 weeks <sup>(2)</sup>	%	Total cleared <sup>(2)</sup>	%	cleared <sup>(</sup>	%
Mar-03	17,300	1,900	11.2	3,500	20.2	5,100	29.7	17,300	99.9*	_	0.1*
Jun-03	21,100	5,200	24.5	8,300	39.1	10,500	49.7	21,100	99.9*	_	0.1*
Sep-03	23,400	8,200	35.0	9,900	42.5	11,900	51.1	23,300	99.9*	_	0.1*
Dec-03	17,300	5,800	33.5	8,000	46.4	9,400	54.0	17,300	99.9*	_	0.1*
Mar-04			33.6	11,800	41.7	13,900	49.0	28,400	99.9*	-	0.1*
Jun-04	25,400	6,900	27.3	8,900	35.2	10,900	43.1	25,400	99.9*	-	0.1*
Sep-04	23,000	6,500	28.1	8,000	34.9	10,500	45.7	23,000	99.9*	-	0.1*
Dec-04	17,700	5,300	30.1	7,100	40.4	9,200	52.2	17,600	99.9*	-	0.1*
Mar-05	23,000	9,100	39.7	11,600	50.5	13,800	60.1	23,000	99.9*	-	0.1*
Jun-05	22,500	10,000	44.6	12,200	54.3	14,500	64.4	22,500	99.9*	-	0.1*
Sep-05	23,200	11,500	49.5	13,300	57.6	15,700	67.6	23,200	99.9*	-	0.1*
Dec-05	21,200	11,200	52.5	13,400	63.0	15,000	70.8	21,200	99.9*	-	0.1*
Mar-06	30,900		53.5	20,100	65.0	22,600	73.1	30,900	99.9*	-	0.1*
Jun-06	23,500	13,100	55.7	15,700	66.7	17,500	74.5	23,500	99.9*	-	0.1*
Sep-06	20,700	11,500	55.4	13,400	64.6	16,300	78.8	20,700	99.9*	-	0.1*
Dec-06	15,100	9,300	61.4	11,400	75.6	12,700	83.9	15,100	99.9*	-	0.1*
Mar-07			72.6	21,500	81.7	23,000	87.5	26,200	99.9*	-	0.1*
Jun-07	25,000	18,700	74.8	20,800	83.2	22,100	88.4	25,000	99.9*	-	0.1*
Sep-07	24,200	18,400	76.2	20,200	83.6	21,500	88.9	24,200	99.9*	-	0.1*
Dec-07	17,200	13,300	76.9	14,700	85.2	15,500	90.0	17,200	99.9*	-	0.1*
Mar-08			80.9	18,400 20,700	89.2	19,100	92.3	20,700	99.9*	-	0.1*
Jun-08	23,200	19,700	84.9 79.0		89.2 86.1	21,600	93.1 90.4	23,200	99.9* 99.8*	-	0.1*
Sep-08 Dec-08	12,100 5,200	9,600 3,900	75.5	10,400 4,400	83.9	11,000 4,600	90.4 87.6	12,100 5,200	99.6 99.7*	-	0.2* 0.3*
Mar-09	7,800		83.6	7,000	89.3	7,200	92.2	7,800	99.8*	-	0.3*
Jun-09	8,600	7,200	83.7	7,700	90.1	8,100	94.0	8,600	99.9*	-	0.1*
Sep-09	9,300	8,100	86.9	8,500	92.1	8,800	95.4	9,300	99.9*	_	0.1*
Dec-09	5,600	4,800	85.9	5,200	92.1	5,300	95.3	5,600	100.0*	_	0.0*
Mar-10	10,000		85.4	9,300	92.8	9,600	95.7	10,000	100.0*	_	0.0*
Jun-10	9,908	8,600	87.0	9,200	92.9	9,500	96.1	9,900	100.0*	_	0.0*
Sep-10	10,300	9,000	87.7	9,600	93.1	9,900	96.6	10,300	100.0*	_	0.0*
Dec-10	5,800	5,100	88.2	5,500	94.3	5,600	96.6	5,800	99.9*	_	0.1*
Mar-11	10,900		88.1	10,200	94.0	10,500		10,900	100.0*	-	0.0*
Jun-11	10,600	9,400	89.1	10,000	94.7	10,300	97.6	10,600	100.0*	-	0.0*
Sep-11	11,300	10,100	88.8	10,700	94.2	11,100	98.3	11,300	100.0*	-	0.0*
Dec-11	6,800	6,100	88.9	6,500		6,600	97.2	6,800	100.0*	-	0.0*
Mar-12	10,400		88.0	9,800	94.1	10,100	96.7	10,400	100.0*	-	0.0*
Jun-12	9,212	8,100	87.5	8,700	94.0	9,000	97.7	9,200	100.0*	-	0.0*
Sep-12	10,400	9,200	88.0	9,800	93.9	10,200	97.7	10,400	99.9*	-	0.1*
Dec-12	6,800	5,900	88.0	6,400	94.4	6,600	97.5	6,800	100.0*	-	0.0*
Mar-13			87.7	8,800	94.8	9,000		9,300	99.9*	-	0.1*
Jun-13	9,244	7,800	84.0	8,500	91.7	8,900	96.4	9,200	99.8*	-	0.2*
Sep-13	6,600	3,500	53.7	4,800	72.8	6,400	97.1*	6,500	98.9*	100	1.1*
Dec-13	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Notes

Intake figures in this table may differ from intake figures on page 50 (table 19). Intake figures in the above table are based on the date when a customer first made contact with the Agency. Intake figures on page 50 (table 19) are based on the date the case was first entered on the CS2 computer system. The Agency is still receiving a small number of new applications on the 2003 scheme. These relate to applications which cannot be made to the 2012 scheme because either an existing scheme case is open or their liability ended less than 13 weeks before the non resident parent or parent with care contacted the Agency. We also expect

there to be some residual handling issues, which require a small number of cases to be processed on the 2003 scheme rather than the 2012 scheme.

- e. A clearance above is defined under the following circumstances; If a maintenance calculation has been carried out and recorded as Maintenance Direct; (Maintenance Direct is a payment arrangement between the parent with care and the non resident parent is in place); an application has been cancelled or withdrawn; a maintenance calculation has been carried out and nil liability established; a parent with care has been identified as claiming Good Cause or is subject to a Reduced Benefit Decision; or the application has been closed.
- f. This table counts applications for Child Support. Not all applications become live cases.

- g. Time to clearance is calculated as the time from first contact with the non resident parent or parent with care until clearance of the application.
- h. The figures in this table are subject to revision in future publications. Future revisions will reflect any new information which is received after the production of this table.
- i. '\*' indicates that the time band is incomplete. This means that whilst some cases will have been cleared within the time band, since the period had not yet fully elapsed, complete data is not available to allow meaningful comparison with earlier periods.
- 3) The number of applications cleared, applications uncleared and the percentages from the December 2013 intake are not included in this table due to rounding. This is denoted by "-".
- 4) There has been a change to the methodology used to calculate the clearance times for cases managed off system. This is to align with the methodology to define 'uncleared' cases used in page 50 (table 19).

Table 23: Caseload Status

This shows the status of all cases with an assessment or calculation.

			Current Liability <sup>(1,4)</sup>								No liability/with		No liab	oility/no
				Coll	ection Ser		_		tenance Direc	ct <sup>(6)</sup>	arre	ars <sup>(1,7)</sup>	arrea	ars <sup>(1,7)</sup>
			Paying	Paying										
Quarter Ending:	Total Caseload <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Live Caseload <sup>(1,3)</sup>	more than liability - no arrears	more than liability - with arrears	Paying full liability <sup>(5)</sup>	Paying less than liability	Paying nothing	With additional payments - no arrears	With additional payments - with arrears	With no additional payments	Paying	Paying nothing	Paying	Paying nothing
Jan-12	2,116,100	1,326,800	17,400	216,200	109,200	92,800	125,300	1,200	4,300	164,100	58,000	528,700	9,500	789,400
Feb-12	2,122,500	1,329,000	19,900	232,100	94,600	93,300	122,400	1,200	4,300	165,200	57,400	529,500	9,000	793,500
Mar-12	2,129,400	1,334,400	19,600	207,200	118,400	102,000	117,800	1,400	4,600	166,000	57,800	530,000	9,600	794,900
Apr-12	2,135,600	1,335,800	13,600	210,100	119,500	106,100	116,600	1,200	4,500	166,500	58,000	530,600	9,000	799,700
May-12	2,141,900	1,338,800	11,600	182,300	144,200	112,400	116,800	1,200	4,500	166,900	57,900	532,000	9,000	803,100
Jun-12	2,147,400	1,340,600	14,900	204,000	123,000	106,700	118,200	1,300	4,200	167,200	57,000	535,400	8,800	806,800
Jul-12	2,154,300	1,344,700	10,700	180,900	145,100	111,200	121,500	1,100	4,200	167,800	56,800	536,800	8,500	809,700
Aug-12	2,160,600	1,348,900	13,700	194,400	132,800	107,100	123,400	1,100	4,100	168,400	56,600	538,700	8,500	811,700
Sep-12	2,167,700	1,354,500	12,600	174,400	146,200	113,200	125,500	1,200	4,100	168,400	58,900	540,100	10,000	•
Oct-12	2,175,300	1,360,800	13,200	185,400	136,400	110,000	127,500	1,300	4,100	168,800	60,100	542,800	•	•
Nov-12	2,179,100	1,367,200	16,200	201,400	126,500	101,700	128,900	1,400	4,100	169,300	59,900	545,700		811,900
Dec-12	2,180,200	1,367,800	14,700	195,500	123,300	117,000	131,000	1,400	4,000	173,400	55,800	541,600	10,100	•
Jan-13	2,188,000	1,371,400	13,600	215,900	120,900	101,100	132,000	1,200	4,000	174,300	54,600	544,900	9,000	816,600
Feb-13	2,194,900	1,375,600	16,700	222,800	113,300	102,600	131,000	1,200	4,000	175,500	52,800	547,400	8,200	819,300
Mar-13	2,201,300	1,380,700	10,900	228,800	110,800	114,000	126,200	1,300	4,300	176,400	51,400	548,500	8,200	820,700
Apr-13	2,208,700	1,384,700	12,600	213,900	131,300	109,000	125,700	1,200	4,300	177,200	50,400	551,200	7,900	824,000
May-13 Jun-13	2,215,100 2,221,500	1,391,000 1,395,300	13,600 13,300	195,300 191,900	151,500 158,100	110,600 108,000	125,200 127,100	1,200 1,200	4,300 4,200	178,300 179,500	49,600 48,200	553,700 556,100	7,800 7,600	824,100 826,200
Jul-13	2,228,800	1,400,000	10,700	184,900	160,100	118,000	127,100	1,200	4,200	180,300	47,700	558,800	7,600	828,800
Aug-13	2,232,700	1,402,000	13,300	231,100	117,900	111,400	125,300	1,200	4,200	180,600	47,700	562,300	7,500	830,600
Sep-13	2,237,100	1,402,800	11,000	187,300	152,900	114,600	123,300	1,100	4,200	180,600	49,000	565,900	9,200	834,300
Oct-13	2,241,600	1,403,600	9,500	190,900	149,600	110,500	127,000	900	4,100	180,800	49,100	570,300	10,900	837,900
Nov-13	2,244,300	1,403,500	12,300	201,200	139,600	103,600	124,500	900	4,200	181,000	48,400	576,500	11,400	•
Dec-13	2,243,800	1,400,800	9,900	186,500	141,100	115,500	120,600	900	4,100	181,200	47.200	584,200	9,600	843,000
Jan-14	2,242,800	1,398,200	13,000	222,400	122,200	90,300	117,500	800	3,900	180,900	46.600	591.800	8.700	844,500
Feb-14	2,241,900	1,397,200	14,600	198,100	140,700	91,600	114,800	900	3,900	180,600	46,400	597,300	8,300	844,700
Mar-14	2,241,800	1,394,000	9,700	226,400	118,200	92,600	106,600	800	4,200	180,000	46,400	600,200	8,900	847,800
Wai-14	2,241,000	1,004,000	3,700	220,700	110,200	32,000	100,000	000	7,200	100,000	70,700	000,200	5,500	<del>0 4</del> 1,000

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- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. Figures include 1993 Scheme cases with a full or interim maintenance assessment as well as 2003 Scheme cases with a full maintenance calculation or default maintenance decision.
- 2) Total Caseload: The total number of cases on the CSA 2003 and 1993 Schemes, including cases managed off system.
- 3) Live Caseload: The total caseload minus cases with no current or ongoing liability, and no arrears and no payments are being made.
- 4) Current Liability: A case is classed as having a 'Current Liability' if it is open, has children of a qualifying age and has a positive liability (i.e. assessment to pay maintenance).
- 5) 'Full Liability' includes those cases that have paid 90% or more of the accrued liability via the collection service within the quarter.
- 6) Maintenance Direct Cases are cases in which the maintenance calculation has been derived by the CSA (after assessment of the case) and the non-resident parent pays child maintenance directly to the parent with care. These cases are assumed to be fully meeting their current liability (since clients can come back to the CSA if there is a default on their payment or to request a revised calculation).

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Table 24: 2003 Scheme Caseload Status

This shows the status of all 2003 Scheme cases with an assessment or calculation.

				Cur	rent Liabilit	t <b>y</b> <sup>(1,4)</sup>		Main	Maintenance Direct <sup>(6)</sup>			lity/with ars <sup>(1,7)</sup>	No liability/no arrears <sup>(1,7)</sup>	
Quarter Ending:	Total Caseload <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Live Caseload <sup>(1,3)</sup>	more than liability - no	more than liability - with	Paying full liability <sup>(5)</sup>	Paying less than liability	Paying Nothing	With additional payments - no arrears	With additional payments - with arrears	With no additional payments	Paying	Paying nothing	Paying	Paying nothing
Jan-12	1,102,800	856,300	16,000	194,500	70,000	85,900	112,700	1,200	3,800	135,200	25,600	206,200	5,200	246,500
Feb-12	1,110,700	862,600	18,200	210,800	56,400	86,200	110,300	1,100	3,800	136,900	25,300	208,700	5,000	248,000
Mar-12	1,119,500	870,200	17,800	186,100	79,600	94,800	106,400	1,300	4,100	138,100	25,700	210,900	5,400	249,300
Apr-12	1,127,600	875,300	12,500	190,000	80,800	98,000	105,900	1,200	4,100	139,000	26,000	212,800	5,000	252,300
May-12	1,136,500	882,000	10,700	163,500	104,200	105,400	106,700	1,200	4,100	139,900	26,100	215,200	5,100	254,500
Jun-12	1,144,300	887,000	13,700	186,000	84,400	99,600	108,500	1,200	3,800	140,600	25,900	218,400	5,000	257,300
Jul-12	1,153,000	894,300	9,900	162,300	108,000	104,600	112,100	1,100	3,700	141,700	25,900	220,100	5,000	258,600
Aug-12	1,161,500	901,100	12,800	176,500	96,600	100,400	114,100	1,100	3,700	142,800	25,900	222,300	5,100	260,400
Sep-12	1,170,100	906,800	11,700	158,500	107,800	106,800	116,500	1,200	3,700	143,300	27,200	224,500	5,800	263,300
Oct-12	1,179,400	914,700	12,200	168,700	99,600	104,000	118,700	1,200	3,700	144,200	28,400	227,400	6,600	264,700
Nov-12	1,187,600	922,500	15,100	185,000	90,000	96,000	120,200	1,300	3,700	145,200	28,600	230,400	7,100	265,100
Dec-12	1,193,200	927,800	13,600	179,200	87,300	110,500	122,100	1,300	3,700	149,000	25,400	229,700	6,000	265,400
Jan-13	1,202,500	933,700	12,800	199,500	84,600	95,600	123,100	1,200	3,700	150,000	25,100	232,700	5,400	268,900
Feb-13	1,210,900	939,800	15,500	205,700	79,200	96,700	122,400	1,100	3,700	151,300	23,900	235,200	5,100	271,200
Mar-13	1,218,500	945,700	10,200	211,700	75,600	108,400	117,800	1,200	3,900	152,200	22,800	236,900	5,000	272,800
Apr-13	1,227,600	951,600	11,900	198,000	95,800	103,300	117,400	1,200	3,900	153,100	22,200	239,800	4,900	276,000
May-13	1,236,200	959,200	12,800	180,200	115,100	105,100	117,200	1,200	4,000	154,300	21,900	242,600	4,800	277,100
Jun-13	1,243,900	965,300	12,500	177,600	121,500	102,700	119,100	1,200	3,900	155,700	21,100	245,100	4,800	278,700
Jul-13	1,252,200	971,000	10,100	171,300	123,000	112,700	118,600	1,200	3,900	156,500	21,100	247,800	4,800	281,300
Aug-13	1,257,100	974,300	12,600	216,500	82,600	106,100	117,400	1,100	3,900	156,900	21,200	251,200	4,900	282,900
Sep-13	1,262,200	976,600	10,400	174,400	118,100	108,900	119,200	1,000	3,900	157,000	22,800	254,800	6,200	285,500
Oct-13	1,267,200	979,300	9,000	178,300	115,600	105,500	119,200	900	3,900	157,200	22,800	259,200	7,600	287,900
Nov-13	1,270,400	980,600	11,600	188,900	106,900	98,600	116,800	900	3,900	157,500	22,500	265,000	8,000	289,800
Dec-13	1,270,200	979,900	9,400	174,100	109,900	110,300	113,200	800	3,800	158,000	22,200	271,600	6,600	290,300
Jan-14	1,269,700	979,600	12,300	209,900	92,300	85,900	110,300	800	3,700	158,100	22,300	278,200	5,900	290,000
Feb-14	1,269,200	979,900	13,700	186,200	111,000	86,900	107,900	900	3,700	158,200	22,500	283,600	5,500	289,300
Mar-14	1,268,900	978,400	9,100	213,600	88,800	88,400	99,900	800	4,000	158,000	22,900	286,900	5,900	290,500

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Table 25: 1993 Scheme Caseload Status

This shows the status of all 1993 Scheme cases with an assessment or calculation.

				Curren	t Liability <sup>(1</sup>	,4)		Maintenance Direct <sup>(6)</sup>				lity/with ars <sup>(1,7)</sup>	No liability/no arrears <sup>(1,7)</sup>	
Quarter Ending:	Total Caseload <sup>(</sup>	Live Caseload <sup>(</sup>	Paying more than liability - no arrears	Paying more than liability - with arrears	Paying full liability <sup>(5)</sup>	Paying less than liability	Paying Nothing	With additional payments - no arrears	With additional payments - with arrears	With no additional payments	Paying	Paying nothing	Paying	Paying nothing
Jan-12	1,012,300	470,200	1,400	21,700	39,200	6,900	12,600	100	500	28,900	32,300	322,300	4,200	542,100
Feb-12	1,010,800	466,100	1,800	21,300	38,200	7,100	12,100	100	500	28,400	32,100	320,600	4,100	544,700
Mar-12	1,008,900	464,000	1,800	21,100	38,800	7,200	11,300	100	500	27,900	32,100	318,900	4,200	545,000
Apr-12	1,007,000	460,300	1,100	20,100	38,700	8,100	10,700	100	500	27,500	32,000	317,500	4,000	546,700
May-12	1,004,400	456,500	900	18,800	40,000	7,000	10,000	100	500	27,000	31,700	316,600	3,900	547,900
Jun-12	1,002,100	453,400	1,200	18,000	38,600	7,100	9,700	100	400	26,600	31,100	316,800	3,800	548,700
Jul-12	1,000,400	450,100	800	18,700	37,100	6,600	9,500	100	500	26,100	30,800	316,500	3,500	550,300
Aug-12	998,200	447,600	900	17,900	36,200	6,700	9,300	100	400	25,600	30,700	316,200	3,500	550,600
Sep-12	996,600	447,400	800	15,900	38,400	6,400	9,100	100	400	25,100	31,700	315,300	4,300	549,200
Oct-12	994,900	445,800	900	16,700	36,700	6,000	8,800	100	400	24,600	31,700	315,100	4,800	549,100
Nov-12	990,500	444,400	1,100	16,400	36,400	5,800	8,600	100	400	24,100	31,300	315,000	5,100	546,100
Dec-12	986,000	439,800	1,100	16,400	36,000	6,500	8,900	100	400	24,400	30,300	311,700	4,100	546,200
Jan-13	984,500	437,500	900	16,400	36,300	5,400	8,800	100	300	24,300	29,500	311,900	3,500	547,000
Feb-13	983,000	435,600	1,200	17,100	34,200	5,900	8,600	_	300	24,200	28,900	312,000	3,100	547,400
Mar-13	981,800	434,700	700	17,100	35,200	5,600	8,300	-	300	24,100	28,600	311,400	3,200	547,100
Apr-13	980,100	432,800	800	16,000	35,400	5,700	8,300	-	300	24,100	28,200	311,100	3,000	547,300
May-13	977,900	431,600	800	15,000	36,400	5,500	8,000	-	300	23,900	27,700	310,900	3,000	546,300
Jun-13	976,600	429,800	800	14,200	36,600	5,300	8,000	-	300	23,900	27,100	310,800	2,800	546,800
Jul-13	975,600	428,800	600	13,600	37,200	5,300	7,900	-	300	23,800	26,500	310,800	2,700	546,800
Aug-13	974,600	427,500	800	14,600	35,300	5,300	7,900	100	300	23,700	26,100	310,900	2,600	547,000
Sep-13	974,000	425,900	600	12,900	34,800	5,700	7,800	-	300	23,700	26,200	310,900	3,000	548,100
Oct-13	973,500	424,100	500	12,600	33,900	5,000	7,800	-	300	23,600	26,300	310,800	3,200	549,300
Nov-13	973,000	422,700	700	12,400	32,700	5,000	7,700	-	300	23,500	25,900	311,200	3,300	550,300
Dec-13	972,700	420,600	600	12,400	31,200	5,200	7,400	-	300	23,200	25,000	312,400	3,000	552,000
Jan-14	972,200	418,400	700	12,500	29,900	4,400	7,200	-	300	22,800	24,300	313,400	2,900	553,800
Feb-14	971,800	417,100	900	12,000	29,700	4,700	6,900	-	200	22,400	23,900	313,500	2,800	554,600
Mar-14	972,000	415,400	600	12,800	29,400	4,200	6,700	-	300	22,000	23,500	313,000	3,000	556,600

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Table 26: Cases Contributing towards Current Liability
This shows the number of cases contributing towards current liability. Maintenance direct cases are not included in the full liability columns as it is

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Quarter Ending:	Cases With Current Liability <sup>(1)</sup>	Cases Contributing Towards Current Liability <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Contribution Towards Current Liability via Collection Service <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Contribution Towards Current Liability via Maintenance Direct <sup>(1,2)</sup>	% With Contribution Towards Current Liability <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Full Liability Satisfied via the Collection Service in Quarter <sup>(1,2,3)</sup>	Collection
Jan-12	730,600	605,300	435,700	169,600	82.9%	342,900	61.1%
Feb-12	733,100	610,700	439,900	170,700	83.3%	346,600	61.6%
Mar-12		619,300	447,300	172,000	84.0%	345,300	61.1%
Apr-12	738,300	621,700	449,400	172,300	84.2%	343,400	60.7%
May-12	740,000	623,200	450,500	172,600	84.2%	338,200	59.6%
Jun-12		621,200	448,500	172,700	84.0%	341,900	60.3%
Jul-12	742,600	621,100	447,900	173,200	83.6%	336,800	59.1%
Aug-12	745,000	621,600	448,000	173,600	83.4%	340,900	59.7%
Sep-12		620,000	446,300	173,700	83.2%	333,100	58.3%
Oct-12	746,600	619,100	445,000	174,200	82.9%	335,000	58.5%
Nov-12	749,500	620,600	445,800	174,800	82.8%	344,100	59.9%
Dec-12		629,400	450,600	178,800	82.8%	333,600	57.4%
Jan-13	763,000	631,000	451,500	179,500	82.7%	350,500	60.1%
Feb-13	767,100	636,100	455,500	180,700	82.9%	352,900	60.2%
Mar-13		646,400	464,500	181,900	83.7%	350,600	59.4%
Apr-13	775,200	649,500	466,800	182,700	83.8%	357,900	60.4%
May-13	779,900	654,800	471,000	183,800	84.0%	360,400	60.5%
Jun-13	783,400	656,300	471,300	185,000	83.8%	363,300	60.7%
Jul-13	785,900	659,400	473,700	185,700	83.9%	355,800	59.3%
Aug-13	785,000	659,700	473,700	186,000	84.0%	362,400	60.5%
Sep-13		651,700	465,800	185,800	83.7%	351,300	59.2%
Oct-13	773,400	646,300	460,400	185,900	83.6%	350,000	59.6%
Nov-13	767,300	642,900	456,800	186,100	83.8%	353,200	60.8%
Dec-13		639,100	452,900	186,200	84.1%	337,500	58.8%
Jan-14	751,100	633,600	448,000	185,600	84.4%	357,700	63.3%
Feb-14	745,300	630,400	445,000	185,500	84.6%	353,500	63.1%
Mar-14	738,500	631,900	446,900	185,000	85.6%	354,300	64.0%

- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. A case is classed as having a 'Current Liability' if it is open, has children of a qualifying age and has a positive liability (i.e. assessment to pay maintenance). This includes cases due to pay via Maintenance Direct.
- 2) A case is classed as paying towards their liability if a payment has been received in the previous quarter, or the case is classed as Maintenance Direct at the end of the quarter.
- 3) 'Full Liability' satisfied within quarter includes those cases who have paid 90% or more of the accrued liability via the collection service within the quarter. Maintenance direct cases are not included in this category, as it is assumed that money is flowing between parents.

Table 27: Percentage of Liability Paid in Quarter
This shows the percentage of liability being paid each quarter, for cases due to pay via the collection service.

Quarter Ending:	Cases With Current Liability	0%	(1)	Less tha 10% <sup>(1</sup>		10% to 19.9% <sup>(1)</sup>	)	20% 29.9%		30% 39.9°		40% 49.99		50% 59.99		60% 69.9°		70% 79.9°		80% 89.9°		Cases P Full Liab	, ,
	via the Collection Service <sup>(1)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases %	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases %	(2)	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	Cases	<b>%</b> <sup>(2)</sup>
Jan-12	560,900	125,300	22.3%	6,600 1	.2%	9,000 1.	6%	6,300	1.1%	13,400	2.4%	8,900	1.6%	9,400	1.7%	14,400	2.6%	13,100	2.3%	11,700	2.1%	342,900	61.1%
Feb-12	562,300	,		6,600 1	.2%	9,500 1.	7%	7,000	1.2%	12,100	2.2%	8,300	1.5%	9,900	1.8%	14,200	2.5%	14,500	2.6%	11,000	2.0%	346,600	61.6%
Mar-12	565,000	117,800		6,800 1		9,800 1.		7,200		,		9,200		,		,				,		345,300	61.1%
Apr-12	,	116,600		6,800 1		-,	7%	,		,		10,300		,		,		,		,		343,400	60.7%
May-12		116,800		6,800 1		10,200 1.		8,600				10,600		9,700						18,700		338,200	59.6%
Jun-12	,	•		6,400 1		10,100 1.		6,600				11,100		8,300		,		•		11,400		341,900	60.3%
Jul-12	569,500	,		6,400 1		10,000 1.		8,200		-,		10,700		9,700		-,		•		,		336,800	59.1%
Aug-12	571,400	-,		6,400 1		10,300 1.		7,100		,		10,900		-,		21,100		,		-,		340,900	59.7%
Sep-12	,	125,500		6,600 1		9,900 1.		7,900		•		- ,		9,700		20,200		•		,		333,100	58.3%
Oct-12	572,400	,		6,800 1		10,200 1.		-,		,		10,300		10,600		,		,		19,700		335,000	58.5%
Nov-12	574,600			6,500 1		10,700 1.		6,800				10,600		9,600						11,800		344,100	59.9%
Dec-12	581,600 583,400	131,000 132,000		6,500 1 6,800 1		10,200 1. 10,500 1.		8,400 6,700		-		9,900				17,000 17,300		-		22,800		333,600 350,500	57.4% 60.1%
Jan-13 Feb-13	,	131,000		6,700 1		10,600 1.		,		12,900		9,400		9,100		,		,		,		352.900	60.1%
Mar-13	590,700	126,200		6,900 1		9,500 1.		7,000										17,000				350,600	59.4%
Apr-13	592,500	•		7,000 1		10,500 1.		•		-		10,300		-		-		-				357.900	60.4%
May-13	596.100			6,900 1		10,700 1.						11,700				20,900						360.400	60.5%
Jun-13	598,400	127,100		6,600 1		10,300 1.		,				11,900				20,900				11,700		363,300	60.7%
Jul-13	600,200	126,500		6,800 1		10,200 1.						11,700				19,300						355,800	59.3%
Aug-13	599,000	•		6,800 1		9,500 1.		,		,		11,500		,		24,400						362,400	60.5%
Sep-13	592,900	127,000	21.4%	6,300 1	.1%	9,600 1.	6%	7,600	1.3%	14,400	2.4%	11,500	1.9%	9,800	1.7%	19,100	3.2%	15,700	2.6%	20,500	3.5%	351,300	59.2%
Oct-13	587,500	127,000		6,300 1	.1%		6%	7,600	1.3%			10,800		9,700	1.6%				2.5%	18,500	3.2%	350,000	59.6%
Nov-13	581,200	124,500	21.4%	6,300 1	.1%	9,100 1.	6%	6,300	1.1%	14,900	2.6%	11,500	2.0%	7,900	1.4%	22,200	3.8%	14,100	2.4%	11,200	1.9%	353,200	60.8%
Dec-13	573,600	120,600	21.0%	6,200 1	.1%	8,900 1.	6%	7,400	1.3%	13,000	2.3%	10,000	1.7%	10,500	1.8%	21,400	3.7%	16,400	2.9%	21,700	3.8%	337,500	58.8%
Jan-14	565,500	117,500	20.8%	5,800 1	.0%	8,600 1.	5%	5,600	1.0%	13,400	2.4%	9,300	1.7%	7,700	1.4%	16,200	2.9%	13,100	2.3%	10,500	1.9%	357,700	63.3%
Feb-14	559,800	114,800	20.5%	5,700 1	.0%	8,400 1.	5%	5,800	1.0%	12,100	2.2%	9,100	1.6%	7,600	1.3%	17,900	3.2%	14,600	2.6%	10,400	1.9%	353,500	63.1%
Mar-14	553,500	106,600	19.3%	5,700 1	.0%	8,200 1.	5%	5,800	1.0%	12,900	2.3%	9,200	1.7%	9,300	1.7%	16,700	3.0%	12,900	2.3%	11,900	2.2%	354,300	64.0%

- a. Figures are against the 1993 and 2003 statutory maintenance services only, including cases managed off system.
- b. Maintenance Direct Cases are not included within this table, as receipts are not held on the CSA computer systems to show how much money is flowing between parents. This is to show a more realistic performance overview of the collection service.
- 2) Percentages are based on the amount of money received in each quarter compared to the accrued liability in each quarter.
- 3) 'Full Liability' satisfied within quarter includes those cases who have paid 90% or more of the accrued liability via the collection service within the quarter. Maintenance direct cases are not included in this category.

## **Annex B – Historical Tables**

In December 2013 some of the methodologies, included in the CSA QSS, changed following an external consultation. The following tables are historical tables from previous publications. These will not be updated with new information. The <u>last publication using the old methodologies</u> covers data up to September 2013.

Table 28: Quarterly Caseload by Scheme: Live and Assessed Cases

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Quarter	Overall	2003	1993
ending:	Agency <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Scheme <sup>(1)</sup>	Scheme <sup>(1,2)</sup>
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Mar-03	995,100	100	995,000
Jun-03	992,400	7,100	985,400
Sep-03	999,700	34,100	965,600
Dec-03	1,000,700	65,200	935,400
Mar-04	1,007,600	97,400	910,200
Jun-04	1,016,900	123,500	893,500
Sep-04	1,027,200	146,600	880,600
Dec-04	1,037,900	169,600	868,300
Mar-05	1,054,200	198,600	855,500
Jun-05	1,074,100	229,100	845,000
Sep-05	1,091,400	260,300	831,100
Dec-05	1,110,100	293,700	816,400
Mar-06	1,133,400	333,000	800,400
Jun-06	1,152,900	364,700	788,200
Sep-06	1,168,100	392,500	775,600
Dec-06	1,166,300	418,700	747,600
Mar-07	1,181,000	460,700	720,300
Jun-07	1,205,200	497,600	707,600
Sep-07	1,224,600	529,900	694,700
Dec-07	1,226,400	556,700	669,700
Mar-08	1,237,100	585,200	651,800
Jun-08	1,263,600	631,500	632,100
Sep-08	1,265,200	645,000	620,200
Dec-08	1,263,500	656,200	607,300
Mar-09	1,245,000	666,100	578,800
Jun-09	1,234,400	674,000	560,400
Sep-09	1,219,100	680,400	538,700
Dec-09	1,213,100	691,200	521,900
Mar-10	1,150,800	707,400	443,300
Jun-10	1,150,800	721,300	429,500
Sep-10	1,153,900	738,300	415,600
Dec-10	1,152,200	753,400	398,800
Mar-11	1,145,700	769,200	376,500
Jun-11	1,143,400	781,500	362,000
Sep-11	1,142,600	795,000	347,600
Dec-11	1,140,500	808,700	331,800
Mar-12	1,128,400	818,000	310,400
Jun-12	1,118,200	826,200	292,000
Sep-12	1,113,900	839,300	274,600
Dec-12	1,115,400	853,600	261,800

### Notes:

a. Figures from April 2008 reflect the performance of cases managed off system.

- b. Figures include 1993 Scheme cases with a full or interim maintenance assessment as well as 2003 Scheme cases with a full maintenance calculation or default maintenance decision.
- c. Cases which are recorded as Maintenance Direct are included in the live and assessed caseload measure due to the fact that the Maintenance Calculation is worked out by the CSA and maintained on the agency system. Clients can come back to the CSA if there is a default on their payment or to request a new calculation.
- d. Live and assessed caseload includes open cases with an ongoing child maintenance liability, cases which have been assessed as nil liability and cases where arrears of maintenance have been requested.
- 2)
- A drop in the caseload can be seen from January 2010 which can be attributed to the removal of suspended cases on the CSCS computer system.
- 1993 Scheme figures include cases held on the CSCS computer system. CSCS data included in this table is based on a 5% sample.

Table 29: Cases/Children Benefiting from Maintenance

Table 25.	Overall Agency Cases - in which:										
Quarter ending:	Maintenance due <sup>(1,2)</sup>	Positive outcome <sup>(1,3)</sup>	% with positive outcome <sup>(1,3)</sup>	Children benefiting from maintenance <sup>(1,4)</sup>							
Mar-03	538,400	378,300	70.3	548,100							
Jun-03	534,900	372,500	69.6	539,100							
Sep-03	549,200	370,100	67.4	534,300							
Dec-03	558,200	372,400	66.7	534,500							
Mar-04	575,300	379,200	65.9	537,500							
Jun-04	589,300	385,100	65.3	542,600							
Sep-04	605,900	390,800	64.5	548,200							
Dec-04	630,900	398,000	63.1	554,900							
Mar-05	642,100	403,800	62.9	561,100							
Jun-05	660,000	415,100	62.9	574,700							
Sep-05	677,700	424,800	62.7	586,400							
Dec-05	697,000	436,800	62.7	599,600							
Mar-06 Jun-06	719,700	454,300	63.1	623,000							
Sep-06	736,600 751,700	470,300 481,200	63.8 64.0	644,500 656,800							
Dec-06	762,100	490,400		666,300							
Mar-07	778,200	504,400	64.8	683,300							
Jun-07	804,500	520,800	64.7	703,100							
Sep-07	825,100	535,800	64.9	722,800							
Dec-07	827,300	540,600	65.3	721,900							
Mar-08	840,100	561,400	66.8	749,300							
Jun-08	852,700	578,700	67.9	771,300							
Sep-08	855,700	588,300	68.7	781,600							
Dec-08	857,500	577,200	67.3	759,600							
Mar-09	841,000	593,500	70.6	780,500							
Jun-09	835,900	604,200	72.3	793,900							
Sep-09	834,000	610,500	73.2	799,300							
Dec-09	831,900	619,400	74.5	809,800							
Mar-10	840,000	647,700	77.1	845,700							
Jun-10	843,100	648,400	76.9	849,100							
Sep-10 Dec-10	854,100	653,300	76.5	850,800							
Mar-11	854,300 861,700	647,500 668,600	75.8 77.6	841,800 867,800							
Jun-11	862,100	669,400	77.6	868,700							
Sep-11	872,000	678,300	77.8	876,100							
Dec-11	876,300	683,800	77.8 78.0	882,600							
Mar-12	872,900	695,800	79.7	899,700							
Jun-12	864,600	696,500	80.6	900,800							
Sep-12	872,800	698,200	80.0	899,400							
Dec-12	882,200	701,500	79.5	902,500							

<sup>a. Figures from October 2006 reflect the performance of cases managed off system as well as cases on the CS2 and CSCS computer systems.
b. Figures include 1993 Scheme cases held on the CSCS computer system. CSCS data included in this table is based on a 5%</sup> 

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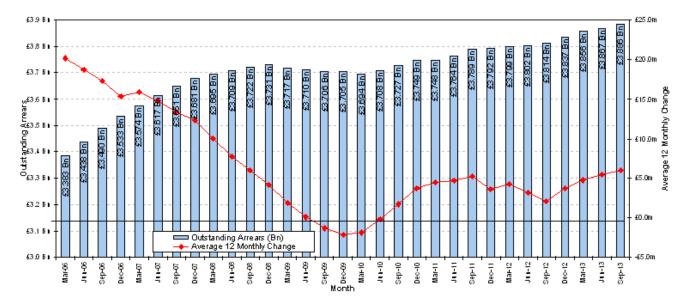
<sup>2)</sup> Cases are classed as having maintenance due if an ongoing liability to pay maintenance exists or arrears of maintenance have been requested. This group of cases consists of assessed not charging, compliant, nil compliant, maintenance direct and others with receipts. Definitions based on old methodologies can be found on page 9 of the <u>September 2013 QSS</u>.

<sup>3)</sup> Cases are counted as having a positive maintenance outcome if they have received a payment via the collection service in the quarter or have a maintenance direct agreement in place. Maintenance Direct cases account for approximately 27% of the positive

- outcomes reported in the quarter to September 2013. Cases are classed as maintenance direct if this is their status at the end of the quarter.
- 4) Qualifying children are counted as receiving maintenance or with a maintenance direct agreement in place if the relevant case has received a payment via the collection service in the last three months or has a maintenance direct agreement in place. An average of 1.35 children per case has been used for positive outcome cases progressed off system. This is based on checking a sample of off system case papers.

### Graph 12: Outstanding Maintenance Arrears

To provide further historical data the graph below is included with data up to September 2013. The data is sourced from the Agency's General Ledger and shows the gross arrears position of non-resident parents at the end of each quarter.



#### Notes:

- 1) Figures show the gross arrears position at the end of each quarter sourced from the Agency's General Ledger.
- 2) Figures for 12/13 onwards have yet to be audited and finalised. Following publication of the 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2011/12 Client Fund Accounts, outstanding arrears figures have been adjusted. See accounts publications for further detail on changes: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/221407/cmec-client-funds-account-2011-12.pdf">https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/221407/cmec-client-funds-account-2011-12.pdf</a>
- 3) Adjustments have also been made from 2012/13 onwards which are yet to be agreed with National Audit Office.

### **Further Information**

For further details, visit: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-work-pensions/series/child-support-agency-quarterly-summary-statistics--2">https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-work-pensions/series/child-support-agency-quarterly-summary-statistics--2</a>