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Information request

Dear Department for Work and Pensions,

Can the DWP give us the amount of money that has been saved by NOT indexing the pensions of 540,000 pensioners living in the various countries through out the World where there is no uprating?

DWP response

There would be additional costs to the taxpayer of around £695 million if frozen rate pensions were to be uprated in 2013/14.

There would be a further cost to the taxpayer of around £5 billion (in 2013/14 prices) if arrears were to be paid to pensioners living in frozen rate countries.