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Information request

Could you please supply me with details of Community Care Grant and Crisis Loan expenditure in 2009/10 and 2010/11.

And the budget for 2011/12 for the Jobcentre Plus Social Fund budget area or areas that cover Hertfordshire?

DWP response

Gross expenditure in Great Britain		
	2009/10	2010/11 to 28 February
Crisis Loans	£233 million	£209 million
Community Care Grants	£141 million	£125 million

The discretionary social fund loans budget is a national allocation and therefore there are no specific budgets for local areas.

The Jobcentre Plus Social Fund budget area which covers the vast majority of Hertfordshire is Norwich. However, Norwich budget area covers a significant number of other places as well as Hertfordshire. The Community Care Grant budget allocated to Norwich budget area for 2011/12 is £6,083,490.

Sources:

Gross expenditure for 2009/10: DWP online expenditure at http://research.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd4/alltables_budget2010.xls, table 6, nominal terms.

Gross expenditure for the year to date: DWP Social Fund Policy, Budget and Management Information System.

Note:

The information provided for 2010/11 to date is Management Information. Our preference is to answer all Freedom of Information requests using Official / National Statistics but in this case we only have Management Information available. It is not quality assured to the same extent as Official / National statistics and there are some issues with the data, for example, the information given does not include applications which were processed clerically and had

not been entered on to the Social Fund Computer System by the end of the year to date.