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Does the DWP hold data on the proportion of new jobs created in the economy (perhaps over the last 12 months) that are full time?

DWP response

The DWP does not hold data on the number of new jobs created in the economy. The closest available data would be the estimates of the total number of people in employment published by the Office for National Statistics.

The most recent figures (published by ONS on 11 June 2014) show that total employment increased by 780,000 in the year to February-April 2014. Of this, there was an increase of 678,000 in the number of people working full-time i.e. of the overall increase over the past year, 87% reflected those in full-time employment. These figures show the net change in employment and so are the difference between new jobs created over the period and jobs lost. New jobs created are not measured directly.