## DLA in payment by medical condition: November 2009

All	3,119,000
Arthritis	582,100
Spondylosis	104,100
Back Pain - Not Specified	140,500
Disease Of The Muscles, Bones or Joints	221,700
Trauma to Limbs	50,200
Blindness	69,300
Deafness	39,700
Heart Disease	142,100
Chest Disease	92,600
Asthma	36,500
Cystic Fibrosis	7,300
Cerebrovascular Disease	111,200
Peripheral Vascular Disease	23,000
Epilepsy	72,400
Neurological Disease	115,200
Multiple Sclerosis	68,000
Parkinson's Disease	18,400
Motor Neurone Disease	2,400
Chronic Fatigue Syndrome	30,400
Diabetes Mellitus	59,800
Metabolic Disease	5,500
Traumatic Paraplegia/Tetraplegia	8,900
Major Trauma Other than Traumatic Paraplegia/Tetraplegia	19,700
Learning Difficulties	347,900
Psychosis	205,200
Psychoneurosis	195,500
Personality Disorder	11,900

Dementia	13,600
Behavioural Disorder	71,500
Alcohol and Drug Abuse	22,200
Hyperkinetic Syndrome	32,200
Renal Disorders	14,900
Inflammatory Bowel Disease	9,200
Bowel and Stomach Disease	15,500
Blood Disorders	6,200
Haemophilia	1,600
AIDS	8,600
Multi System Disorders	10,300
Multiple Allergy Syndrome	1,100
Skin Disease	16,500
Malignant Disease	80,500
Severely Mentally Impaired	18,800
Double Amputee	900
Deaf/Blind	700
Haemodialysis	600
Frailty	3,200
Total Parenteral Nutrition	900
Terminally III	3,300
Other <sup>3</sup>	5,500

**Source:** DWP Information Directorate: Work and Pensions Longitudinal Study 5% sample.

## Notes:

- 1. Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred and have been uprated to be consistent with WPLS data.
- 2. Caseload show the number of people in receipt of an allowance, and exclude people with entitlement where the payment has been suspended, for example if they are in hospital.
- 3. 'Other' includes a number of cases not allocated to a main disabling condition. These are codes which were introduced in October 2008 and are F65 'Psychiatric Diseases (Cognitive disorders Other / type not know)', B21 'Infectious diseases (Tuberculosis)', B31 'Infectious diseases (Malaria)' and B99 'Infectious diseases (Other Infectious Disease)'. Unknown cases are also included in this category.
- 4. Where more than one disability is present only the main disabling condition is recorded.
- 5. A diagnosed medical condition does not mean that someone is automatically entitled to DLA. Entitlement is dependent on an assessment of how much help someone needs with personal care and/or mobility because of their disability. These statistics are only collected for administrative purposes. For example, a customer would not be awarded DLA on the basis of a diagnosis of drug/alcohol abuse the decision is based upon the care/supervision and difficulty getting around as a result of the substance dependency and any associated physical or psychological complications.
- 6. CAUTION: The preferred statistics on benefits are now derived from 100% data sources. However, the 5% sample data still provide some detail not yet available from the 100% data sources, in particular, more complete information on the disabling condition of DLA claimants. DWP recommends that, where the detail is only available on the 5% sample data, or disabling condition (DLA) is required, the proportions derived should be scaled up to the overall 100% total for the benefit. These figures have been scaled up to the overall total