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Information request

I have read the 6 November 2013 report and was able to determine the number of JSA sanctions in Scotland to June 2013. I am trying to find out the number and percentage of successful and unsuccessful appeals in Scotland, or by region if that's all that is available.

DWP response

In response to your question, the table below provides the information you requested.

The number of JSA sanction appeals in Scotland: 22nd October 2012 to 30th June 2013

	Scotland
All sanction decisions	123,900
All appeals where a final decision has been made	660
Appeals with a non-adverse final decision	470
% Non-adverse appeal decisions	71%
Appeals with an adverse final decision	190
% Adverse appeal decisions	29%

Source: DWP Information, Governance and Security Directorate: JSA Sanctions and Disallowance Decisions Statistics Database.

Notes:

1. Figures are rounded to the nearest ten, totals may not sum due to rounding. Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.
2. **Appeal:** An adverse appeal is one that is found against the claimant. A non-adverse appeal is one that is found in favour of the claimant.
3. A new JSA sanction regime came into force on 22nd October 2012. Further information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/jobseekers-allowance-overview-of-sanctions-rules>