

Freedom of Information request 2013-5333

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Information request

I request the information for sanctions of JSA in south Tyneside for the last 6 months. Whilst being told locally that there had been 1430 sanctions at south shields jobcentre and 600 sanctions at Jarrow jobcentre. I would like to know how many appealed and the win percentage.

DWP response

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

The number of JSA sanction appeals in Great Britain, South Tyneside Local Authority, South Shields Job Centre and Jarrow Job Centre: October 2012 to June 2013

| | Appeals where a final decision has been made | Appeals where the final decision is non-adverse |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| Great Britain | 9,690 | 4,090 |
| South Tyneside Local Authority | 20 | 10 |
| Jarrow Jobcentre Plus Office | - | - |
| South Shields Jobcentre Plus Office | 10 | - |

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. '-' denotes nil or negligible.
2. **Decision:** An adverse decision is one that is found against the claimant. A non-adverse decision is one that is found in favour of the claimant.
3. **Local Authority:** On 1 April 2009 structural changes to the local authorities of England took effect. Changes are reflected from April 2009 in this table.

4. 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>

You may find it useful to know that information on JSA sanctions at Jobcentre Plus Office level is published on the Government website here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/jobseekers-allowance-sanctions>