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Information request

"1/ The number of JOB SEEKERS ALLOWANCE Benefit claimants who have died in 2009, 2010, and 2011/have a date of death recorded as the reason for end of claim?

2/ For those JSA Claimants who have dates of death recorded as reason for end of claim in 2009, 2010 & 2011, could you please advise the stats for those who had migrated from ESA/Incapacity Benefit to JSA for the same or whom had been told they were no longer entitled to ESA/Incapacity Benefit prior to their claim for JSA?"

DWP response

In response to your questions please see the attached document (FOI 2012-4242 WDTK Response) which gives the number of claimants who have left Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) in 2009, 2010 and 2011 by whether they had a previous claim to either Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) or Incapacity Benefit (IB) / Severe Disablement Allowance (SDA) and of which those with a recorded date of death.

Please note for this table that the duration of the JSA claim is unknown and that the figures supplied are derived from unpublished information and have not been quality assured to National Statistics or Official Statistics publication standard. They should therefore be treated with caution.

Please note these figures do not provide evidence of a link between an individual dying and benefit receipt. The Office for National Statistics and General Register Office for Scotland publish statistics on death registrations which can be used to provide context to the figures. These publications can be found via the following links.

http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/vsob1/death-reg-sum-tables/index.html

http://www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/statistics/theme/vital-events/deaths/index.html