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Information request

Please provide details of the number of claimants in receipt of Disability Living Allowance who are 'In Work'.

DWP response

In response to your question the available information on the number of people who are in receipt of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and also in employment is shown in the table below.

Please note that the figures supplied are derived from analysis which was produced for internal Departmental use only and have not been quality assured to National Statistics or Official Statistics publication standard. They should therefore be treated with caution.

Number and percentage¹ of Working Age² DLA recipients³ who are in employment⁴, Great Britain and abroad⁵, as at 29th February 2012.

Number ¹ of Working	Of which the number ¹	Of which the
Age ² DLA recipients ³	of those in	percentage ¹ of those in
	employment ⁴	employment ⁴
1,839,000	386,000	21%

Source: DWP Information Governance and Security Directorate: Work and Pensions Longitudinal Study 100%

Notes:

- 1. Figures are rounded to the nearest thousand. Percentages are given to the nearest whole number.
- 2. The age at which women reach State Pension age is gradually increasing from 60 to 65 between April 2010 and April 2016 to November 2018. Under current legislation, State Pension age for men and women is planned to increase to: 66 between November 2018 and October 2020; 67 between 2034 and 2036; 68 between 2044 and 2046. This will introduce a small increase to the number of working age benefit recipients and a small reduction to the number of pension age recipients. Figures in this table reflect this change.

- 3. DLA is a non-means-tested, non-contributory benefit which is not dependent on a claimant's employment status. Figures show the number of people in receipt of DLA, and exclude people with entitlement where the payment has been suspended, for example if they are in hospital.
- 4. Working Age DLA recipients with a claim in payment as at 29th February 2012, were merged with Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) P45/46 data to ascertain the number of which who were in employment on this date. The HMRC data does not include individuals who are self-employed.
- 5. All cases in payment in Great Britain, plus claimants residing abroad. This **excludes cases** in Northern Ireland.