

# **Freedom of Information request 2014-599**

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## **Information request**

Monthly data on CTB and HB was previously published here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/housing-benefit-and-council-tax-benefit-caseload-statistics-published-from-november-2008-to-present>

The HB data is now available through Stat-Xplore, and this includes the breakdown to the Scotland level. We need the same access to the historical data for CTB.

Specifically, we would like all the data that is included in tables 12 and 13 of the attached link, but for Scotland rather than GB. These tables are 'Council Tax Benefit Recipients by Passported Status' and 'Council Tax Benefit recipients average weekly award by Passported Status' We need all the columns to be included (i.e. non passported including subset of those in employment, and all passported groups) and would like the time series from November 2008 to March 2013.

## **DWP response**

In response to your query, statistics on the Council Tax Benefit caseload and average weekly award by passported status and employment status in Scotland for each month from November 2008 up to February 2013, which is the latest data available, is available in the attached spread sheet (FOI 2014-599 Response.xls).