

Freedom of Information request 2013-3294

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Information request

In December last year you very helpfully provided me with statistics on the number of Work Programme referrals, attachments and job outcomes for claimants with non-acute Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa. These are:

Blindness and low vision
Other cataract
Retinal detachment and breaks
Glaucoma
Iridocyclitis
Keratitis
Glaucoma
Nystagmus
Disorders of the globe
Other disorders of the eye and adnexa
Other disorders of the optic nerve

Would it be possible please, to provide the same level of information (see attached) but for the period June 2011 to end of March 2013?

DWP response

Number of Work Programme Referrals, Attachments and Job Outcomes with “Non-Acute Diseases of the Eye and Adnexa” as Primary Health Condition: 1st June 2011 to 31st March 2013

Primary Health Condition	Referrals	Attachments	Job Outcomes
Total	690	650	20
Blindness and Low Vision	290	280	10
Other Cataract	70	70	-
Keratitis	20	20	-
Retinal detachment and breaks	20	20	-
Disorders of the Globe	20	10	-
Glaucoma	60	60	-
Iridocyclitis	-	-	-
Nystagmus	10	10	-

Other Disorders of the Eye and Adnexa	200	190	10
Other Disorders of the Optic Nerve	-	-	-

Source: DWP Information, Governance and Security Directorate (IGS)

Notes:

1. Figures are cumulative and are rounded to the nearest ten. "-" denotes nil or negligible. Totals may not sum due to rounding.
2. **Primary Health Condition:** Primary Health Condition is for Employment and Support Allowance/Incapacity Benefit claimants only. Causes of incapacity are based on the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, published by the World Health Organisation. Medical condition is based on evidence provided and this in itself does not confer entitlement to Employment Support Allowance/Incapacity Benefit.
3. **Referrals:** Referrals shown are 'net' referrals which do not include rejections, cancellations or referrals to ESA information sessions.
4. **Attachments:** Attachments are the date of the first engagement activity between the provider and the participant as recorded on the payment administrative system.
5. **Job Outcomes:** The Work Programme IT payment system was updated on the 26th March 2012 and validation processes introduced in April 2012. The early data series following this was subject to fluctuations as the new system and processes bedded in. For further details please see section 4.1 of the information note available on the Work Programme Official Statistics homepage at:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-work-pensions/series/work-programme-statistics--2>