

Freedom of Information request 2013-5852

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Information request

The number of people claiming Disability Living Allowance (DLA) with a main disabling condition of alcoholism or drug abuse in Lincoln city.

Please provide all data from January 2010 to the present date.

Please break it down into the number of alcohol or drug dependent claimants claiming DLA.

DWP response

The information requested for Disability Living Allowance (DLA) is given in the table below:

Disability Living Allowance (DLA), cases in payment with Drug and Alcohol misuse as the main disabling condition by Area: February 2010 to May 2013.

	Area	Total	Drug/Alcohol misuse	Other Diagnosis
Feb 2010	GB	3,137,730	20,790	3,116,950
	Lincoln	5,230	20	5,200
May 2010	GB	3,157,310	21,090	3,136,220
	Lincoln	5,280	30	5,250
Aug 2010	GB	3,176,200	21,330	3,154,870
	Lincoln	5,280	30	5,260
Nov 2010	GB	3,181,080	21,220	3,159,860
	Lincoln	5,300	20	5,270
Feb 2011	GB	3,192,090	21,310	3,170,780
	Lincoln	5,330	20	5,310
May 2011	GB	3,202,910	21,340	3,181,570
	Lincoln	5,360	20	5,330
Aug 2011	GB	3,222,690	21,440	3,201,250
	Lincoln	5,450	30	5,420
Nov 2011	GB	3,226,790	21,350	3,205,440
	Lincoln	5,470	30	5,440
Feb 2012	GB	3,243,530	21,530	3,222,000

	Lincoln	5,530	30	5,500
May 2012	GB	3,258,440	21,580	3,236,860
	Lincoln	5,570	30	5,550
Aug 2012	GB	3,272,120	21,610	3,250,500
	Lincoln	5,600	20	5,570
Nov 2012	GB	3,282,640	21,620	3,261,030
	Lincoln	5,620	20	5,600
Feb 2013	GB	3,298,850	21,680	3,277,170
	Lincoln	5,640	20	5,610
May 2013	GB	3,305,200	21,630	3,283,570
	Lincoln	5,660	20	5,640

Source: DWP Information, Governance and Security Directorate 100% WPLS

Notes:

1. Figures are rounded to the nearest 10, totals may not sum due to rounding.
2. A diagnosed medical condition does not mean that someone is automatically entitled to DLA. Entitlement is dependent on an assessment of how much help someone needs with personal care and/or mobility because of their disability. These statistics are only collected for administrative purposes.
3. Please also note that where someone has more than one diagnosis or disabling condition, only the predominant one is currently recorded.
4. Great Britain total includes a small number of cases who are resident abroad.
5. The area for Lincoln is Lincoln Local Authority.
6. The DLA Figures show the number of people in receipt of an allowance, and excludes cases where the payment has been suspended e.g. if they are in hospital.

The Department publishes information on benefit claimants, these figures are available at:- <http://tabulation-tool.dwp.gov.uk/100pc/tabtool.html>