

# Freedom of Information request 2013-2191

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## Information request

1. The number of claimants of the state pension outside the UK per country of residence on a particular recent date you may choose, for example the 1st January 2012.
2. The number of such claimants per country who ceased to claim the state pension by reason of the claimants death over the course of a year encompassing the date above, for example the year 1st January 2012 through 31st December 2012.

## DWP response

In response to question 1, Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act allows us to direct you to information which is already reasonably accessible to you. The Department publishes National Statistics on State Pensions through its Tabulation Tool at:

<http://research.dwp.gov.uk/asd/index.php?page=tabtool>, which allows you to design your own tables.

For example, to produce a table on the number of State Pension payments by country of residence and category of pensions, go to the <http://research.dwp.gov.uk/asd/index.php?page=tabtool> website and follow the instructions below.

1. Select the link **Click here for Benefit Caseload National Statistics (WPLS) data**
2. From the **Benefit/Scheme** drop down menu select **State Pension**
3. From the **Analysis** drop down menu select **Caseload (Thousands)**
4. From the **Row** drop down menu select **Country code for abroad cases**
5. From the **Column** drop down menu select **Category of pensions**
6. From the **Subset** drop down menu select the required option
7. From the **Date** drop down menu select required date
8. Click **Get Table**

The latest available data includes figures to the end of November 2012.

In response to question 2, the table below contains information on people resident abroad who flowed off State Pension in the year to November 2012 and have a date of death recorded on the system, by country of residence. Please note that the data supplied, for those with a date of death recorded, are derived from previously unpublished information which has not been

quality assured to Official Statistics publication standard. They should therefore be treated with caution.

**State Pension off-flows in the year to November 2012 for recipients abroad with a date of death recorded on the system, by country of residence**

Abroad not known	200	Canada	4,940	Andorra	-	Kampuchea	-
Gibraltar	40	Bahrain	-	Austria	170	Chile	10
Guernsey	240	Botswana	10	Belgium	170	China Peoples Republic	10
Jersey	300	Sri Lanka	20	Bulgaria	10	Columbia	-
Malta	140	Gambia	-	Denmark	50	Dominican Republic	-
Sark	-	Ghana	10	Finland	20	Ecuador	-
Isle of Man	-	Guyana	10	France	920	Egypt	10
Northern Ireland	20	India	160	Germany	1,110	Ethiopia	-
Alderney	10	Kenya	20	Greece	100	Taiwan	-
Antigua	10	Kuwait	-	Hungary	30	Belize	-
Australia	9,950	Malawi	-	Italy	1,120	Indonesia	10
Bahamas	-	Malaysia	10	Luxembourg	10	Isreal	120
Barbados	150	Oman	-	Netherlands	260	Japan	20
Bermuda	20	Nigeria	60	Norway	40	Lebanon	-
Cayman Islands	-	Pakistan	180	Poland	90	Mexico	10

Dominica Commonwealth	30	South Africa	1,260	Portugal	190	Morocco	-
Falkland Islands and Deps	-	Sierra Leone	-	Rumania	-	Nepal	-
Fiji	10	Singapore	10	Spain	2,180	Antilles (Netherlands)	-
Jamaica	810	Swaziland	-	Sweden	50	Panama	-
Hong Kong	40	Tanzania	-	Switzerland	140	Peru	-
Mauritius	20	Arab Emirates	10	Turkey	30	Philippines	50
Montserrat	-	Uganda	-	USSR	-	Zimbabwe	50
Vanuatu	-	Zambia	10	Yugoslavia	-	Saudi Arabia	-
New Zealand	1,820	Namibia	10	Monaco	10	Vietnam	-
St Helena and Deps	-	Bangladesh	110	Cyprus	460	Sudan	-
Nevis St Kitts Nevis	20	Tonga	-	Iceland	-	Thailand	80
St Vincents and Grenadines	30	Virgin Islands (USA)	-	Faroe Islands	-	Uruguay	-
Seychelles	-	The Russian Federation	-	Republic of Croatia	10	USA	4,000
Solomon Islands	-	Republic of Estonia	10	Former Yug Republic of Macedonia	-	Republic of Yemen	30
Trinidad and Tobago	40	Republic of Latvia	10	Republic of Slovenia	-	Rwanda	-
Virgin Islands (British)	-	Republic of Lithuania	-	Federal Republic of Yugoslavia	10	The Czech Republic	10
Anguilla	-	Ukraine	10	Argentina	-	The Slovak Republic	-
Grenada	50	Republic of Ireland	4,240	Bolivia	-	Tahiti	-

St Lucia	40	Channel Islands	-	Brazil	10	Not yet recorded	-
						<b>Total</b>	<b>36,720</b>

**SOURCE:** DWP Information, Governance and Security Directorate: Work and Pensions Longitudinal Study

**Notes:**

1. Caseload figures are rounded to the nearest ten and some additional disclosure control has also been applied so totals may not sum due to rounding
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 from May 2010 onwards reflect this change. For more information see <http://statistics.dwp.gov.uk/asd/esp.pdf>.
3. Off flows include the total number of spells on this benefit that ended within the quarter. It does not include flows where people move out of one area and into another while remaining on the benefit.
4. Please note that the data supplied, for those with a date of death recorded, are derived from previously unpublished information which has not been quality assured to Official Statistics publication standard. They should therefore be treated with caution.