

# Absence Data Published by the Cabinet Office, May 2008

## Results

This is the second of the quarterly reports, which provides a brief commentary on the Cabinet Office sick absence results for the period ending 31 December 2007.

Cabinet Office Sick Absence Headlines						
Average Working Days Lost		Total Days Lost		% Lost to Long-term		
5.1		7255		55.1%		
Analysis of Key Reasons for Absence						
Proportion lost to						
Total Days Lost	Unknown & Ill defined	Mental Disorders	Musculo-skeletal	Respiratory System		
7255	14%	19.1%	0.25%	13.2%		
Analysis of Average Working Days Lost						
Departmental Data			Sickness Absence Days and Average Working Days Lost			
Department Size Classification	Total No of Staff	Total No of Staff Years	Total Days Lost	Average Working Days Lost Per Staff Year	Weighted Average Working Days Lost Per Staff Year	Average Working Days Lost Per Person
Medium	1853	1424.0	7255	5.1	Not Calculated	3.9

There continues to be a concerted effort to reduce the number of absences recorded as unknown and ill defined. Improvements to the reporting process introduced in February 2008, are likely to lead to a decrease in the numbers of unknown illnesses.

The data for the 12 months ending 31 March 2008 will be published in August 2008.

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