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### **INTRODUCTION**

This Statistical Notice provides summary statistics on recipients of War Pensions and new claims, awards and appeals made under the War Pension Scheme (WPS).

Pensions, allowances or other payments may be awarded under the WPS to eligible claimants where disablement or death occurs as a result of Service in HM Forces, prior to 6 April 2005.

Figures presented in this Statistical Notice are calculated from data stored on the Service Personnel and Veterans' Agency's War Pensions Computer System.

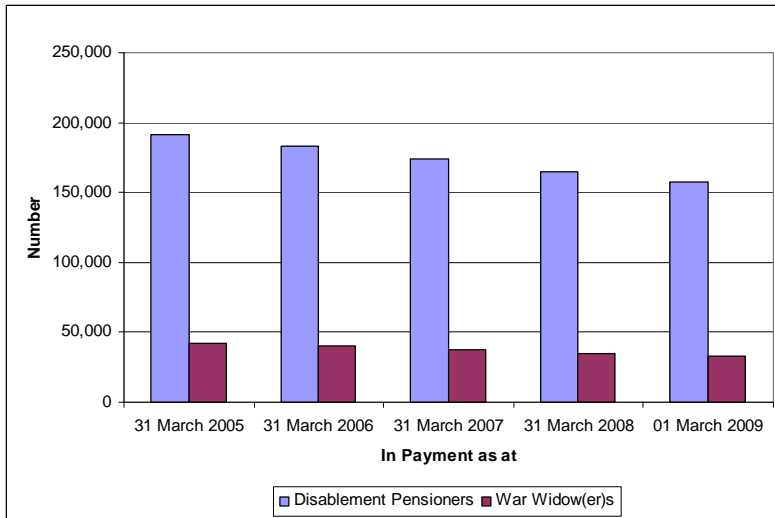
The Armed Forces and Reserve Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) came into force on 6 April 2005 to pay compensation for injury, illness or death caused by Service on or after that date. Summary statistics for the AFCS can be found in a separate quarterly report at [www.dasa.mod.uk](http://www.dasa.mod.uk) under 'All Other Publications' and 'Health/Medical Statistics'.

### **KEY POINTS**

- As at 31 March 2009, 157,125 War Disablement Pensioners (DPs) were receiving an ongoing pension. This represents a decrease of 8,040 since 31 March 2008.
- As at 31 March 2009, 32,790 War Widow(er)s (WWs) were receiving an ongoing pension. This represents a decrease of 2,445 since 31 March 2008.
- Over half of DPs (57%) and around five-sixths of WWs (86%) were aged 70 and over, as at 31 March 2009.
- Approximately five out of six (85%) DPs received pensions at the 50% rate or below. The largest group was those at the 20% rate. Less than 4% received the 100% disablement rate.
- The average weekly amount received by DPs, including pension and supplementary allowances was £71.55. The average weekly amount received by a DP at the 100% disablement rate was £303.50.
- The average weekly amount received by WWs was £206.13. The average weekly WWs pension was £109.09, with the remainder comprising supplementary allowances.

## MAIN FINDINGS

**Figure 1: War Pensions in payment, 31 March 2005 to 31 March 2009**

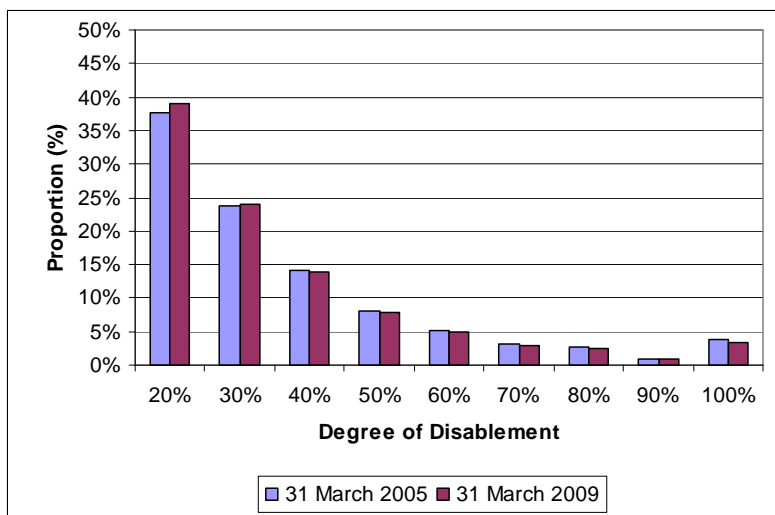


Source Data: Tables 1.1 and 1.2

**Figure 1** shows that the number of Disablement Pensioners (DPs) receiving a payment has fallen each year over the past four years, from 191,750 as at 31 March 2005, to 157,125 as at 31 March 2009. Over the same period the number of War Widow(er)s (WWs) fell from 42,580 to 32,790.

This decline is primarily due to the fact that the number of individuals leaving the scheme each year is considerably higher than the number of individuals joining the scheme. The reasons for this are twofold. Firstly, the age profile of current recipients; 57% of DPs and 86% of WWs were aged 70 or over as at 31 March 2009 (see Table 1.6 for age group breakdown). Secondly, compensation claims for injury, illness, or death caused by Service on or after the 6 April 2005 are now processed under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS). As such, the number of claimants joining the WPS is expected to reduce further.

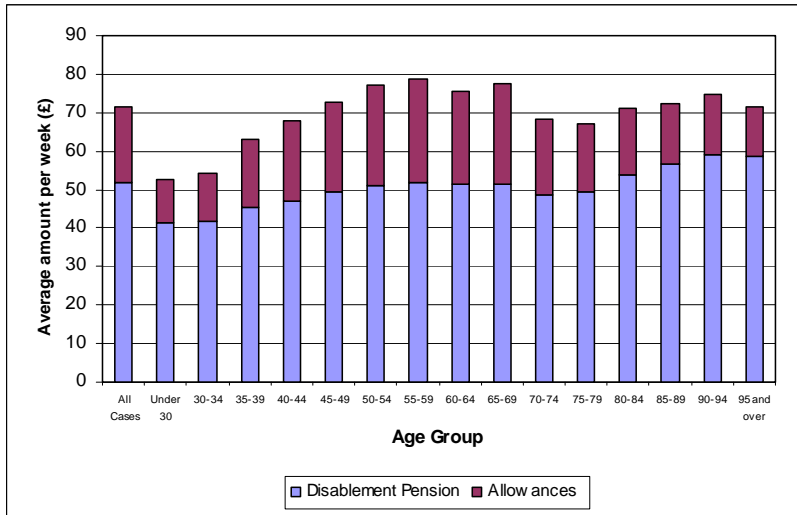
**Figure 2: Proportion (%) of disablement pensioners at each degree of disablement as at 31 March 2005 and 31 March 2009**



Source Data: Table 1.6

**Figure 2** shows that the proportion of DPs at each degree of disablement has remained relatively constant since March 2005, with over 35% receiving pensions for a 20% degree of disablement. As at 31 March 2009, approximately five out of six (85%) DPs received a pension at the 50% degree of disablement or below. Fewer than 4% received a 100% degree of disablement pension.

**Figure 3: Disablement pensioners' average weekly pension and allowances (£) as at 31 March 2009, by age group**



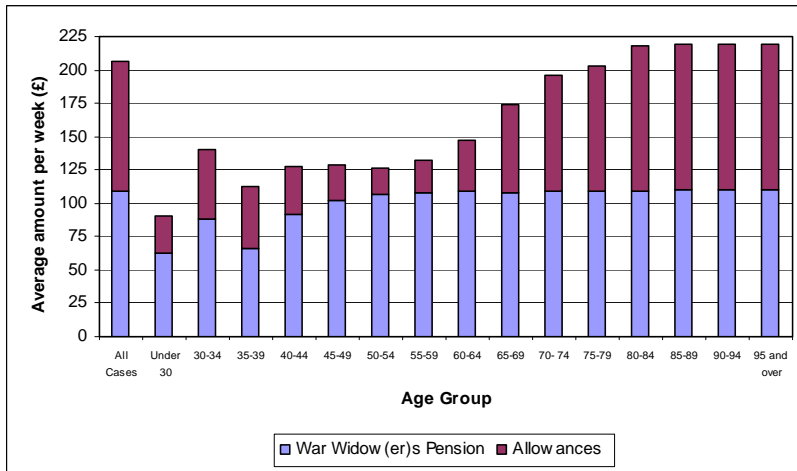
Source Data: Table 1.7

**Figure 3** shows that the average weekly amount received by DPs as at 31 March 2009 was £71.55. Of this, £51.69 was from their disablement pension, whilst £19.86 came from supplementary allowances. The average weekly amount received by a DP at the 100% disablement rate was £303.50.

As at 31 March 2009, DPs aged 90-94 received the highest weekly pension of £59.03, whilst DPs aged 55-59 received the highest weekly supplementary allowance of £26.80. Disablement pensions increased with each age group and then leveled off between the age groups 50-54 and 65-69 with an average weekly pension of £51.37. At age groups 70-74 and 75-79 there was a drop in weekly pensions before they began to increase again at age group 80-84 onwards. Similarly, supplementary allowances increased with each age group and leveled off between the age groups 50-54 and 65-69 with an average weekly supplementary allowance of £25.93, before they began to decrease at age group 70-74 onwards.

Analysis of Disablement Pension amounts and age groups shows a significant upward trend of amount of pension by age group ( $r^2=0.84$ ).

**Figure 4: War Widow(er)s' average weekly pension and allowances (£) as at 31 March 2009 by age group**



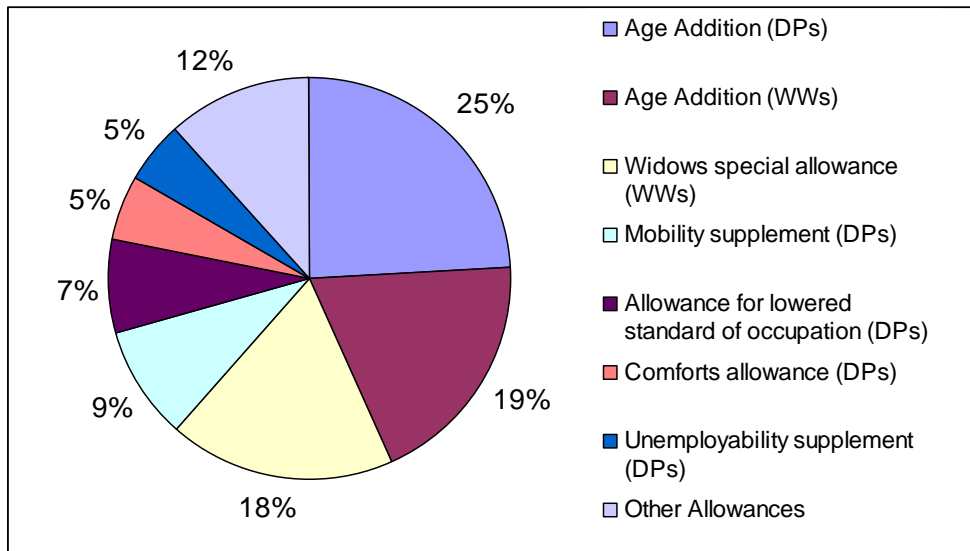
Source Data: Table 1.7

The average weekly amount received by WWs as at 31 March 2009 was £206.13 (Figure 4). Of this, £109.09 was from their pension, whilst £97.04 came from supplementary allowances.

As at 31 March 2009 WWs aged 95 and over received the highest average weekly pension amount (£110.34), and WWs aged 85-89 received the highest average weekly supplementary allowances amount (£109.13).

With the exception of higher payments to WWs aged 30-34, WWs pensions increased with each age group and leveled off at age group 50-54 to 95 and over with an average weekly pension of £108.96. From the age group 30-34, WW average weekly supplementary allowances decrease up until the age group 50-54, before they increase at age group 55-59 onwards.

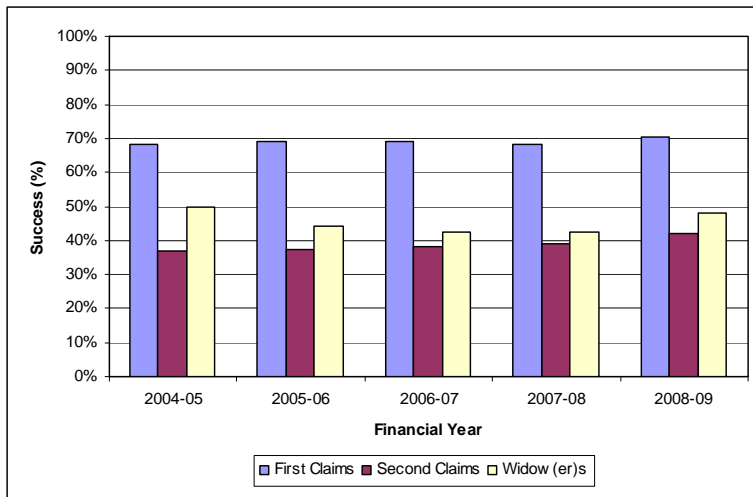
**Figure 5: All supplementary allowances in payment as at 31 March 2009**



Source Data: Table 1.8

**Figure 5** shows that the most common supplementary allowances in payment as at 31 March 2009 were DPs and WWs Age Additions, accounting for 44% of all allowances in payment. The next most common allowance was Widow(er)s' Special Allowance, accounting for 18% of all allowances in payment. This is a supplementary pension payable to Widow(er)s of Service personnel who died or left the services before 31<sup>st</sup> March 1973, as they would not benefit from the improvements made to the MOD's Armed Forces Pension Scheme after that date.

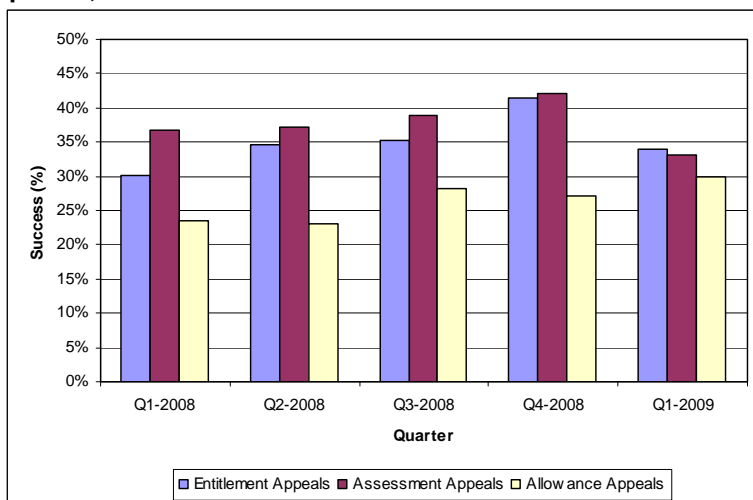
**Figure 6: Successful first claims, second claims, and widow(er)s claims (%) by financial year, 2004-05 to 2008-09**



Source Data: Table 2.2

**Figure 6** shows that in the financial year 2008-09, 70% of first claims resulted in an ongoing war pension or gratuity, 48% of war widow(er)s' claims resulted in an ongoing widow(er)s' pension, and 42% of second claims resulted in an increased entitlement or new award.

**Figure 7: Successful entitlement appeals, assessment appeals and allowance appeals (%) by quarter, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009**



Source Data: Table 2.6

**Figure 7** shows that successful appeals have varied over the last five quarters. During Q1-2009, 34% of entitlement appeals (including WWs entitlement appeals) were successful, 33% of assessment appeals resulted in an increased award and 30% of allowance appeals were successful, compared to 30%, 37%, and 24%, respectively, in Q1-2008.

## CONVENTIONS

In line with DASA's Disclosure and Confidentiality Policy to maintain anonymity of claimants, all figures have been rounded to the nearest five (totals may not add due to rounding). Percentages have been rounded to the nearest 1%.

-	Nil
~	Negligible (fewer than 5)
<i>r</i>	Revised
	Break in series
Q1	1 January to 31 March
Q2	1 April to 30 June
Q3	1 July to 30 September
Q4	1 October to 31 December

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**Table 1.1: War Pensions in payment by type of pension, principal scheme and quarter, 31 March 2008 to 31 March 2009**

	Awards in payment at:				
	31-Mar-08	30-Jun-08	30-Sep-08	31-Dec-08	31-Mar-09
<b>ALL IN PAYMENT</b>	<b>201,265</b>	<b>198,645</b>	<b>196,290</b>	<b>193,640</b>	<b>190,745</b>
<b>Disablement Pensioners</b>	<b>165,165</b>	<b>163,120</b>	<b>161,310</b>	<b>159,300</b>	<b>157,125</b>
in receipt of an ongoing war pension					
1914 war	-	-	-	-	-
Inter-war	50	50	45	40	40
1939 war onwards	161,970	160,000	158,250	156,325	154,240
Civilian	1,680	1,645	1,620	1,585	1,550
Polish	675	660	645	625	595
Mercantile marine	785	765	740	720	700
Not known	~	~	5	~	~
<b>War Widow(er)s</b>	<b>35,235</b>	<b>34,655</b>	<b>34,140</b>	<b>33,500</b>	<b>32,790</b>
War widows pension	35,165	34,585	34,075	33,430	32,715
War widowers pension	70	70	70	70	70
<b>Other Pensioners</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>870</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>830</b>
Disablement pensioners (ALSO allowance only)	420	415	405	400	400
War orphans pension	25	30	30	30	30
War parents pension	30	25	25	25	25
Adult dependant pension	10	10	10	10	10
Unmarried dependant pension	~	~	~	~	~
Child allowance only	380	385	370	375	370

**Table 1.2: War Pensions in payment by type of pension, gender and financial year end, 31 March 2005 to 31 March 2009<sup>(1)</sup>**

	Awards in payment at:				
	31-Mar-05	31-Mar-06(1)	31-Mar-07	31-Mar-08	31-Mar-09
<b>ALL IN PAYMENT</b>	<b>235,300</b>	<b>223,850<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>212,535</b>	<b>201,265</b>	<b>190,745</b>
Men	184,410	175,660 <sup>r</sup>	166,910	158,455	150,655
Women	50,890	48,190 <sup>r</sup>	45,625	42,810	40,090
<b>Disablement Pensioners</b>	<b>191,750</b>	<b>182,800<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>173,850</b>	<b>165,165</b>	<b>157,125</b>
Men	183,675	174,955 <sup>r</sup>	166,225	157,780	150,005
Women	8,075	7,845 <sup>r</sup>	7,625	7,385	7,120
<b>War Widow(er)s</b>	<b>42,580</b>	<b>40,125<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>37,795</b>	<b>35,235</b>	<b>32,790</b>
Men	55	60 <sup>r</sup>	65	70	70
Women	42,525	40,065 <sup>r</sup>	37,730	35,165	32,715
<b>Other Pensioners</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>925<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>890</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>830</b>
Men	680	645 <sup>r</sup>	615	605	580
Women	290	280 <sup>r</sup>	270	260	255

Note: (1) The discontinuity between the financial years 2004-05 and 2005-06, and the revisions (r) made to the previously published figures for 2005-06, are due to improvements in data processing.

**Table 1.3: War Pensions flows by type of pension and financial year, 2004-05 to 2008-09<sup>(1)</sup>**

	Financial Year:				
	2004-05	2005-06(1)	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
<b>ALL IN PAYMENT</b>	<b>235,300</b>	<b>223,850<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>212,535</b>	<b>201,265</b>	<b>190,745</b>
Total intake in financial year	4,215	3,775 <sup>r</sup>	3,295	2,940	3,410
Total outflow in financial year	16,500	15,165 <sup>r</sup>	14,610	14,205	13,930
<b>Disablement Pensioners</b>	<b>191,750</b>	<b>182,800<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>173,850</b>	<b>165,165</b>	<b>157,125</b>
Intake during financial year	2,955	2,700 <sup>r</sup>	2,380	2,170	2,590
Outflow during financial year	12,750	11,670 <sup>r</sup>	11,345	10,835	10,640
<b>War Widow(er)s</b>	<b>42,580</b>	<b>40,125<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>37,795</b>	<b>35,235</b>	<b>32,790</b>
Intake during financial year	1,210	1,000 <sup>r</sup>	895	755	795
Outflow during financial year	3,665	3,460 <sup>r</sup>	3,225	3,315	3,245
<b>Other Pensioners</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>925<sup>r</sup></b>	<b>890</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>830</b>
Intake during financial year	50	75 <sup>r</sup>	20	15	25
Outflow during financial year	85	35 <sup>r</sup>	40	55	45

Note: (1) The discontinuity between the financial years 2004-05 and 2005-06, and the revisions (r) made to the previously published figures for 2005-06, are due to improvements in data processing.

**Table 1.4: Disablement Pensions in payment by degree of disablement as at 31 March 2009**

<b>Degree of disablement (Percentage)</b>								
Men and Women	TOTAL	1914 War	Inter War	1939 War onwards	Civilian	Polish	Mercantile Marine	Not Known
<b>ALL</b>	<b>157,125</b>	-	<b>40</b>	<b>154,240</b>	<b>1,550</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>700</b>	~
20	61,410	-	10	60,715	325	155	205	-
30	37,580	-	10	36,880	345	155	185	-
40	21,960	-	10	21,470	265	95	120	-
50	12,185	-	~	11,915	150	55	60	~
60	7,690	-	-	7,525	90	35	35	~
70	4,650	-	~	4,515	80	25	30	-
80	3,810	-	~	3,700	65	25	20	-
90	1,320	-	~	1,270	30	5	10	-
100	5,245	-	~	5,015	165	35	25	-
Not Known <sup>(1)</sup>	1,280	-	-	1,235	30	10	~	-

Men

<b>ALL</b>	<b>150,005</b>	-	<b>40</b>	<b>148,085</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>700</b>	~
20	58,755	-	10	58,280	115	145	205	-
30	35,965	-	10	35,490	125	150	185	-
40	20,960	-	10	20,620	120	95	120	-
50	11,650	-	~	11,470	55	55	60	~
60	7,340	-	-	7,235	40	30	35	~
70	4,420	-	~	4,330	35	25	30	-
80	3,610	-	~	3,535	30	25	20	-
90	1,260	-	~	1,230	10	5	10	-
100	4,930	-	~	4,800	70	35	25	-
Not Known <sup>(1)</sup>	1,115	-	-	1,100	5	10	~	-

Women

<b>ALL</b>	<b>7,120</b>	-	-	<b>6,155</b>	<b>945</b>	<b>20</b>	-	-
20	2,655	-	-	2,435	210	10	-	-
30	1,610	-	-	1,390	220	~	-	-
40	1,000	-	-	850	145	~	-	-
50	540	-	-	440	95	-	-	-
60	345	-	-	290	55	~	-	-
70	235	-	-	185	45	~	-	-
80	200	-	-	165	35	-	-	-
90	60	-	-	40	20	-	-	-
100	315	-	-	220	95	~	-	-
Not Known <sup>(1)</sup>	160	-	-	140	20	~	-	-

Note: (1) 'Not known' consists of those entitled to a disablement pension but with no percentage disability recorded. These include clerical overrides and suspended cases

**Table 1.5: Pensioners by type of pension, principal scheme (DPs) and Government Office Region (GOR) as at 31 March 2009**

GOR	Disablement Pensioners										Other Pensioners <sup>(2)</sup>
	All Pensioners	All DPs	1914 War	Inter-war	1939 War onwards	Civilian	Polish	Mercantile Marine	Not known	War Widow(er)s	
<b>ALL</b>	<b>190,745</b>	<b>157,125</b>	-	40	154,240	1,550	595	700	~	32,790	<b>830</b>
North East	12,380	10,975	-	-	10,835	55	10	75	-	1,350	60
North West	21,635	18,220	-	~	17,785	225	55	155	-	3,320	95
Yorkshire and the Humber	13,870	11,380	-	~	11,260	50	35	30	-	2,410	80
East Midlands	11,935	9,920	-	~	9,815	50	40	15	-	1,970	45
West Midlands	11,185	9,005	-	-	8,885	70	40	10	-	2,135	40
East of England	13,480	10,545	-	~	10,335	160	25	20	-	2,890	45
London	7,345	5,415	-	~	5,105	220	70	15	-	1,900	30
South East	24,800	19,550	-	10	19,150	300	35	55	~	5,155	95
South West	24,330	20,125	-	5	19,860	185	35	35	~	4,095	110
Wales	10,830	9,065	-	~	8,950	50	15	45	-	1,715	50
Scotland	18,615	15,990	-	~	15,790	70	40	90	-	2,550	75
N. Ireland	4,430	3,700	-	-	3,685	10	-	5	-	705	25
Other UK <sup>(1)</sup>	575	465	-	-	455	~	-	~	-	110	~
UK Unknown	860	640	-	-	625	10	~	~	-	210	5
Overseas	14,220	11,890	-	5	11,465	90	185	145	-	2,260	70
Not Known	250	230	-	-	230	~	~	-	-	15	~

Note: (1) Other UK includes Isle of Man and Channel Islands.

(2) 'Other Pensioners' includes War Orphans, War Parents, Adult Dependants, Unmarried Dependants, Juvenile Dependants, Child Allowance Only and Allowance for Lowered Standard of Occupation Only Pensioners.

**Table 1.6: War Pensions in payment by pension type, percentage disablement and age band as at 31 March 2009**

AGE GROUP	All Pensioners	Disablement Pensioners										Not Known <sup>(1)</sup>	War Widow(er)s	Other Pensioners <sup>(2)</sup>
		All DPs	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%			
<b>ALL</b>	<b>190,745</b>	<b>157,125</b>	<b>61,410</b>	<b>37,580</b>	<b>21,960</b>	<b>12,185</b>	<b>7,690</b>	<b>4,650</b>	<b>3,810</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>5,245</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>32,790</b>	<b>830</b>
Under 30	1,405	1,265	645	270	110	50	30	15	10	~	20	115	20	120
30 to 34	2,230	2,165	1,095	485	250	110	70	25	25	~	25	75	50	15
35 to 39	6,345	6,145	2,770	1,510	830	380	245	115	75	15	110	95	140	60
40 to 44	8,190	7,890	3,455	1,925	1,055	520	340	165	135	20	180	90	245	55
45 to 49	10,210	9,805	4,085	2,365	1,315	760	430	240	185	65	295	70	345	60
50 to 54	9,515	8,945	3,505	2,165	1,295	685	465	245	180	50	290	55	485	85
55 to 59	9,330	8,600	3,295	2,055	1,280	685	440	255	210	55	280	50	650	80
60 to 64	12,390	11,230	4,570	2,625	1,500	840	550	355	270	85	375	60	1,055	100
65 to 69	13,080	11,515	4,870	2,535	1,485	875	550	330	300	95	400	75	1,480	90
70 to 74	20,395	17,955	7,900	4,425	2,230	1,160	710	440	370	120	485	120	2,360	75
75 to 79	20,370	16,780	7,065	4,170	2,190	1,215	650	420	370	120	460	125	3,555	30
80 to 84	26,160	19,870	7,255	4,735	2,910	1,675	1,075	670	505	185	755	110	6,270	20
85 to 89	36,155	26,205	8,335	6,300	4,125	2,355	1,575	1,010	860	365	1,125	160	9,925	25
90 to 94	12,545	7,715	2,265	1,770	1,230	780	500	320	265	120	400	65	4,815	15
95 +	2,430	1,040	305	250	155	100	60	45	45	15	50	15	1,385	5

Note: (1) 'Not known' consists of those entitled to a disablement pension but with no percentage disability recorded. These include clerical overrides and suspended cases

(2) 'Other Pensioners' includes War Orphans, War Parents, Adult Dependants, Unmarried Dependants, Juvenile Dependants, Child Allowance Only and Allowance for Lowered Standard of Occupation Only Pensioners.

**Table 1.7: Average weekly amounts of pension entitlement by type, percentage disablement and age band as at 31 March 2009**

(All figures are in £s)

AGE GROUP	Disablement Pension										War Widow(er)s
	All DPs	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%	
<b>PENSION &amp; ALLOWANCES</b>											
<b>All Cases</b>	<b>71.55</b>	<b>30.23</b>	<b>46.97</b>	<b>80.57</b>	<b>104.15</b>	<b>138.28</b>	<b>161.57</b>	<b>205.57</b>	<b>225.65</b>	<b>303.50</b>	<b>206.13</b>
Under 30	52.78	29.04	43.02	78.57	95.23	144.48	154.97	239.53	129.24	333.40	90.12
30 to 34	54.09	29.17	43.52	80.48	111.87	151.34	157.88	188.24	266.80	296.73	140.81
35 to 39	63.27	29.93	45.15	88.73	107.58	150.24	192.74	233.16	260.33	334.34	112.09
40 to 44	67.78	30.48	47.01	84.60	116.11	159.46	184.79	241.66	273.22	333.48	127.30
45 to 49	72.53	30.68	48.15	85.38	116.40	158.53	184.38	228.44	250.04	321.54	128.33
50 to 54	77.11	31.58	49.37	86.87	119.81	160.35	187.32	238.03	274.05	325.56	126.26
55 to 59	78.60	31.55	49.79	85.72	118.62	163.01	192.82	236.04	243.89	327.03	132.74
60 to 64	75.72	30.78	49.02	83.38	111.95	155.71	175.44	225.64	278.46	330.71	147.87
65 to 69	77.73	30.76	48.86	88.30	115.07	157.23	188.79	248.24	262.62	338.92	173.96
70 to 74	68.25	30.22	47.80	83.22	107.17	147.14	178.42	229.40	248.25	329.55	196.46
75 to 79	67.30	29.97	47.21	81.88	103.33	139.96	162.81	210.29	232.84	310.40	203.31
80 to 84	71.03	29.55	45.64	75.51	97.11	122.64	146.43	192.08	212.56	298.00	218.28
85 to 89	72.21	29.57	44.91	73.19	90.56	114.44	134.07	169.72	197.43	269.51	219.11
90 to 94	74.66	29.65	45.06	72.73	89.85	113.76	132.35	160.55	186.40	249.51	219.14
95 +	71.44	29.54	44.37	70.73	88.76	108.97	124.06	149.13	192.92	232.13	218.69
<b>PENSION ONLY</b>											
<b>All Cases</b>	<b>51.69</b>	<b>28.95</b>	<b>43.41</b>	<b>57.67</b>	<b>72.06</b>	<b>86.48</b>	<b>101.14</b>	<b>115.57</b>	<b>130.06</b>	<b>143.60</b>	<b>109.09</b>
Under 30	41.53	28.68	43.02	51.97	68.79	83.10	100.16	116.08	129.24	135.80	62.70
30 to 34	41.95	28.75	42.80	54.85	68.86	80.93	94.67	107.21	97.19	120.11	88.12
35 to 39	45.23	28.69	42.90	55.83	68.56	82.47	97.55	113.81	120.56	138.00	66.34
40 to 44	46.93	28.84	43.04	56.48	70.33	84.27	98.51	113.67	129.62	134.82	91.71
45 to 49	49.32	28.91	43.20	57.16	71.00	85.42	100.74	113.45	125.16	137.77	101.69
50 to 54	50.88	28.93	43.39	57.43	71.42	85.89	100.82	114.44	130.00	141.38	106.60
55 to 59	51.80	28.93	43.41	57.67	72.11	86.81	101.29	115.62	130.52	142.83	108.43
60 to 64	51.45	29.00	43.46	57.86	72.33	86.90	101.09	115.54	130.40	144.35	108.55
65 to 69	51.33	29.00	43.47	58.00	72.47	86.69	101.31	116.01	130.59	144.84	108.13
70 to 74	48.78	29.00	43.50	57.99	72.52	87.02	101.47	115.89	130.55	144.97	108.86
75 to 79	49.56	28.99	43.50	58.01	72.51	86.98	101.53	116.05	130.58	144.93	108.99
80 to 84	53.65	28.99	43.50	58.02	72.51	87.03	101.49	116.07	130.58	145.08	109.46
85 to 89	56.66	29.00	43.50	58.02	72.52	87.03	101.55	116.04	130.51	145.09	109.99
90 to 94	59.03	29.01	43.51	58.03	72.53	87.03	101.51	115.97	130.59	145.09	110.24
95 +	58.69	29.01	43.50	58.00	72.55	87.06	101.57	116.04	130.59	145.05	110.34
<b>ALLOWANCES ONLY (including Widows special allowance)</b>											
<b>All Cases</b>	<b>19.86</b>	<b>1.28</b>	<b>3.56</b>	<b>22.89</b>	<b>32.09</b>	<b>51.80</b>	<b>60.43</b>	<b>90.00</b>	<b>95.58</b>	<b>159.90</b>	<b>97.04</b>
Under 30	11.26	0.36	0.00	26.61	26.43	61.39	54.81	123.45	0.00	197.59	27.42
30 to 34	12.14	0.42	0.72	25.62	43.01	70.41	63.21	81.03	169.62	176.61	52.69
35 to 39	18.04	1.25	2.24	32.89	39.02	67.77	95.19	119.35	139.77	196.34	45.74
40 to 44	20.86	1.64	3.97	28.12	45.78	75.19	86.28	127.99	143.60	198.67	35.58
45 to 49	23.21	1.77	4.96	28.22	45.40	73.12	83.63	114.99	124.89	183.78	26.64
50 to 54	26.23	2.65	5.98	29.44	48.39	74.46	86.50	123.59	144.04	184.18	19.66
55 to 59	26.80	2.62	6.38	28.05	46.51	76.20	91.53	120.42	113.37	184.20	24.31
60 to 64	24.28	1.78	5.56	25.52	39.62	68.81	74.35	110.10	148.06	186.36	39.31
65 to 69	26.40	1.75	5.39	30.30	42.61	70.54	87.48	132.23	132.03	194.08	65.83
70 to 74	19.47	1.22	4.30	25.23	34.65	60.13	76.95	113.51	117.70	184.59	87.60
75 to 79	17.73	0.98	3.71	23.87	30.82	52.98	61.28	94.24	102.26	165.47	94.31
80 to 84	17.38	0.55	2.13	17.49	24.60	35.61	44.93	76.00	81.98	152.92	108.82
85 to 89	15.55	0.56	1.41	15.18	18.04	27.40	32.52	53.68	66.92	124.42	109.13
90 to 94	15.64	0.64	1.55	14.70	17.31	26.72	30.83	44.58	55.81	104.41	108.91
95 +	12.75	0.53	0.86	12.73	16.21	21.91	22.49	33.08	62.33	87.08	108.35

**Table 1.8: Supplementary allowances in payment by type of allowance and quarter as at 31 March 2009**

Allowance type	Awards in payment at:				
	31-Mar-08	30-Jun-08	30-Sep-08	31-Dec-08	31-Mar-09
<b>ALL ALLOWANCES</b>	<b>169,470</b>	<b>167,055</b>	<b>164,530</b>	<b>161,870</b>	<b>158,815</b>
Age 80 addition (NI) (Disablement & Widow(er))	1,565	1,520	1,480	1,430	1,385
Age addition - Disablement	41,535	40,700	39,945	39,100	38,100
Age addition – Widows	31,555	31,010	30,540	29,915	29,230
Allowance for lowered standard of occupation	11,485	11,490	11,495	11,530	11,555
Clothing allowance	4,085	4,030	3,965	3,890	3,805
Comforts allowance	9,055	8,975	8,875	8,755	8,660
Constant attendance allowance	3,105	3,085	3,040	2,975	2,930
Exceptionally severe disablement allowance	605	605	600	595	595
Severe disablement occupational allowance	10	10	10	5	5
Invalidity allowance	6,750	6,700	6,660	6,595	6,550
Mobility supplement	15,350	15,235	15,130	14,995	14,795
Unemployability supplement	8,050	7,970	7,895	7,800	7,725
Modified unemployability supplement	35	35	35	35	30
Additional allowance spouse	1,745	1,705	1,675	1,635	1,590
Modified allowance for spouse	200	195	190	185	180
Additional allowance dependant	~	~	~	~	~
Additional allowance child	1,235	1,265	1,130	1,200	1,225
Child allowance	900	920	780	815	830
Over age infirm child allowance	305	305	300	300	290
Modified over age infirm child allowance	10	10	10	10	10
Temporary allowance Widow(er)	180	180	195	210	205
Widow(er)s rent allowance	425	430	425	440	385
Widow(er)s special allowance	31,285	30,680	30,140	29,470	28,735

**Table 1.8a: Supplementary allowances in payment by type of allowance and financial year end, 31 March 2005 to 31 March 2009**

	Awards in payment at:				
	31-Mar-05	31-Mar-06 <sup>(1)</sup>	31-Mar-07	31-Mar-08	31-Mar-09
<b>ALL ALLOWANCES</b>	<b>202,740   </b>	<b>191,145 <sup>r</sup></b>	<b>180,475</b>	<b>169,470</b>	<b>158,815</b>
<b>Average Weekly Allowances Entitlement (in £s)</b>					
Disablement Pensioners	16.54	17.08 <sup>r</sup>	18.05	18.93	19.86
War Widow(er)s	84.24	86.66 <sup>r</sup>	90.32	92.90	97.04

Note: (1) The discontinuity between March 2005 and March 2006, and the revisions (r) made to the previously published figures for March 2006, are due to improvements in data processing.

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**Table 2.1: Claims registered during quarter, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009**

Claim type	Claims registered during:				
	Q1-2008	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009
<b>All Claims</b>	<b>9,140 <sup>r</sup></b>	<b>8,270 <sup>r</sup></b>	<b>8,270</b>	<b>7,785</b>	<b>8,320</b>
Disablement claims	4,600	4,025	3,905	3,835	3,705
War Widow(er)s claims	435	425	440	365	460
Supplementary allowance claims	1,435	1,465	1,495	1,370	1,405
Supplementary allowance reviews	980	785	725	655	960
Medical expenses	1,045	1,015	1,005	895	1,015
Appeals	650	560	700	665	775

*Revisions (r) made to the previously published figures for all claims in Q1-2008 and Q2-2008, are due to improvements in data processing.*

**Table 2.1a: Claims registered during quarter by claim type, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009**

Claim type	Claims registered during:				
	Q1-2008	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009
<b>Disablement claims</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>4,025</b>	<b>3,905</b>	<b>3,835</b>	<b>3,705</b>
Current invaliding	455	230	235	175	195
First claim to pension	1,850	1,475	1,410	1,505	1,405
Further condition	805	805	830	795	865
Deterioration	980	1,010	995	930	835
Departmental review	40	35	30	35	35
Conditional list review	475	465	400	400	370
<b>War Widow(er)s claims</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>460</b>
Widow(er)s	415	410	415	350	435
Restored Widow(er)s	20	15	25	10	20
Review Widow(er)s	~	~	~	-	~
<b>Supplementary allowance claims</b>	<b>1,435</b>	<b>1,465</b>	<b>1,495</b>	<b>1,370</b>	<b>1,405</b>
Allowance for lowered standard of occupation	145	165	145	185	170
Clothing allowance	40	60	25	35	40
Constant attendance allowance	105	120	110	120	120
Mobility supplement	285	275	315	275	285
Unemployability supplement	85	65	75	60	60
Additional allowance spouse	25	25	20	25	20
Additional allowance dependant	-	-	-	-	~
Additional allowance child	20	30	25	35	20
Child allowance only	~	~	10	~	~
Widow(er)s child allowances	-	-	-	-	-
Widow(er)s rent allowance	45	70	105	65	40
Temporary allowance Widow(er)	100	110	120	130	95
Funeral expenses	570	540	540	445	550
<b>Supplementary allowance reviews<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>980</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>960</b>
Allowance for lowered standard of occupation	435	355	330	290	430
Constant attendance allowance	25	40	25	35	35
Mobility supplement	50	45	50	60	60
Unemployability supplement	120	120	85	110	125
Additional allowance spouse	285	55	40	55	240
Additional allowance dependant	-	~	-	-	~
Child allowance <sup>(2)</sup>	70	170	190	110	70
<b>Appeals</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>775</b>
Entitlement - Disablement	180	160	200	195	245
Entitlement - Widow(er)s	40	45	55	35	30
Assessment	310	255	345	330	400
Supplementary Allowances	95	75	85	80	80
Miscellaneous	20	25	15	20	25

**Table 2.1a: Claims registered during quarter by claim type, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009 (Continued)**

Claim type	Claims registered during:				
	Q1-2008	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009
<b>Medical expenses<sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>1,045</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>1,005</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>1,015</b>
Appliance	10	5	~	5	~
Chiropody	~	~	-	~	~
Convalescence	35	35	40	20	25
Dental	15	35	20	20	20
Hearing aid	15	20	10	10	20
Home nursing equipment	15	15	10	10	10
Hospital travel expenses	60	65	70	75	70
House adaptation grant	50	55	55	35	35
Prescription	10	10	20	10	10
Priority treatment	145	135	110	75	100
Private treatment	20	20	15	10	20
Provision of treatment	250	270	275	255	290
Remedial treatment	340	280	315	290	330
Skilled nursing care	15	10	10	5	~
Spectacles	20	20	20	20	30
Treatment allowance (inc. loss of earnings)	45	35	35	45	45

Note: (1) Reviews of allowances which involve rates of pay are traditionally held in the first quarter of the year.

(2) Contains widow(er)s' child allowance and child allowance only reviews.

(3) Excludes NI and Eire.

**Table 2.2: Claim outcomes by financial year, 2004-05 to 2008-09**

Claim Type	Financial Year:									
	2004-05		2005-06 <sup>(2)</sup>		2006-07		2007-08		2008-09	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
<b>All First Claims</b>	<b>7,590</b>		<b>7,515<sup>r</sup></b>		<b>6,765</b>		<b>5,750</b>		<b>7,125</b>	
Awarded 20–100%	1,725	23%	1,740 <sup>r</sup>	23%	1,525	23%	1,370	24%	1,605	23%
Awarded 1-19%	3,450	45%	3,465 <sup>r</sup>	46%	3,155	47%	2,555	44%	3,410	48%
Awarded 0%	1,590	21%	1,495 <sup>r</sup>	20%	1,370	20%	1,185	21%	1,235	17%
Rejections	825	11%	815 <sup>r</sup>	11%	715	11%	645	11%	875	12%
<b>All Second/Subsequent Claims</b>	<b>11,035</b>		<b>9,375<sup>r</sup></b>		<b>8,480</b>		<b>7,365</b>		<b>8,560</b>	
Awarded 20–100%	55	0%	50 <sup>r</sup>	1%	45	1%	40	0%	70	1%
Awarded 1-19%	45	0%	60 <sup>r</sup>	1%	50	1%	30	1%	65	1%
Awarded 0%	55	1%	55 <sup>r</sup>	1%	40	0%	45	1%	35	0%
Increased assessments	3,995	36%	3,400 <sup>r</sup>	36%	3,160	37%	2,795	38%	3,470	41%
Maintained assessments	5,980	54%	4,960 <sup>r</sup>	53%	4,395	52%	3,830	52%	4,415	52%
Reduced assessments	385	3%	340 <sup>r</sup>	4%	320	4%	215	3%	110	1%
Rejections	515	5%	510 <sup>r</sup>	5%	475	6%	400	5%	395	5%
<b>All Widow(er)s Claims<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>2,220</b>		<b>2,040<sup>r</sup></b>		<b>1,930</b>		<b>1,560</b>		<b>1,595</b>	
Awards	1,105	50%	905 <sup>r</sup>	44%	825	43%	665	43%	770	48%
Rejections	1,115	50%	1,135 <sup>r</sup>	56%	1,105	57%	895	57%	830	52%

Note: (1) Includes restored Widows; Since 2005/06 figures do not include Widow(er)s' reviews.

(2) The discontinuity in this table between 2004/05 and 2005/06, and the revisions (r) made to the previously published figures for 2005/06, are due to improvements in data processing.

**Table 2.2a: Claim outcomes by quarter, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009**

Claim type	Claims cleared during:					
	Q1-2008	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009	
<b>First claims</b>						
Current Invaliding	<b>All</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>180</b>
	Awarded 20-100%	120	130	75	85	60
	Awarded 1-19%	75	75	55	60	45
	Awarded 0%	~	~	-	~	5
	Rejected	90	95	55	60	65
First Claim to Pension	<b>All</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,310</b>	<b>1,515</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>1,690</b>
	Awarded 20-100%	185	225	310	360	360
	Awarded 1-19%	480	645	790	870	870
	Awarded 0%	295	320	290	315	295
	Rejected	105	120	130	185	160
<b>Second/Subsequent claims</b>						
Further Condition	<b>All</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>890</b>
	Awarded 20-100%	5	10	5	5	5
	Awarded 1-19%	5	10	15	15	15
	Awarded 0%	10	5	5	15	5
	Increased	295	395	340	465	445
	Maintained	230	270	250	370	315
	Reduced	~	~	5	10	10
	Rejected	75	95	75	95	90
Conditional List Review	<b>All</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>415</b>
	Awarded 20-100%	5	5	~	~	5
	Awarded 1-19%	-	~	-	-	-
	Awarded 0%	-	-	-	-	-
	Increased	55	40	50	25	45
	Maintained	335	270	430	460	345
	Reduced	15	15	10	25	15
	Rejected	~	~	~	~	~
Deterioration Claim	<b>All</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>845</b>	<b>995</b>	<b>755</b>
	Awarded 20-100%	~	~	~	~	5
	Awarded 1-19%	~	~	-	-	~
	Awarded 0%	~	~	-	-	-
	Increased	335	370	435	480	360
	Maintained	325	350	405	505	385
	Reduced	~	-	~	~	~
	Rejected	~	~	~	5	~
Departmental Review	<b>All</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>
	Awarded 20-100%	~	~	~	~	5
	Awarded 1-19%	~	~	-	~	~
	Awarded 0%	~	-	-	~	-
	Increased	~	~	5	10	5
	Maintained	20	20	15	5	10
	Reduced	~	~	~	~	~
	Rejected	~	~	5	5	5
<b>Widow(er)s Claims<sup>(1)</sup></b>						
	<b>All</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>410</b>
	Awards	165	170	200	185	210
	Rejections	220	235	220	175	200

Note: (1) Figures include restored Widows; Figures do not include widow(er)s' reviews.

**Table 2.3: Successful gratuity & nil percentage awards cleared during financial year, 2004-05 to 2008-09**

	Financial Year:					
	2004-05		2005-06 <sup>(1)</sup>	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
<b>All Nil and Gratuity Awards<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>5,145</b>	<b>  </b>	<b>5,115 <sup>r</sup></b>	<b>4,640</b>	<b>3,840</b>	<b>4,765</b>
Nil Awards	1,645		1,585 <sup>r</sup>	1,440	1,255	1,290
01 - 05%	1,265		1,370 <sup>r</sup>	1,230	960	1,205
06 - 14%	1,955		1,880 <sup>r</sup>	1,725	1,365	1,935
15 - 19%	275		275 <sup>r</sup>	245	265	335

Note: (1) The discontinuity in this table between 2004/05 and 2005/06, and the revisions (r) made to the previously published figures for 2005/06, are due to improvements in data processing.

**Table 2.4: First claims to supplementary allowances cleared during quarter, by allowance type and outcome, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009 <sup>(1)</sup>**

Allowance type		First awards made during:				
		Q1-2008	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009
Allowance for lowered standard of occupation	<b>All</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>180</b>
	Awarded	105	115	130	140	155
	Rejected	25	25	20	30	25
Clothing allowance	<b>All</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>
	Awarded	20	20	15	15	15
	Rejected	20	25	20	15	20
Constant attendance allowance	<b>All</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>115</b>
	Awarded	55	65	50	65	50
	Rejected	50	50	45	50	65
Exceptionally severe disablement allowance	<b>All</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
	Awarded	20	20	15	25	20
	Rejected	-	-	-	-	-
Severe disablement occupational allowance	<b>All</b>	<b>~</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>~</b>
	Awarded	~	-	-	-	~
	Rejected	-	-	-	-	-
Mobility supplement	<b>All</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>245</b>
	Awarded	130	160	170	200	155
	Rejected	100	95	120	120	95
Unemployability supplement	<b>All</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>55</b>
	Awarded	55	45	50	40	45
	Rejected	5	10	20	15	10
Additional allowance spouse	<b>All</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>
	Awarded	20	10	10	10	10
	Rejected	5	10	10	10	10
Additional allowance dependant	<b>All</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>~</b>
	Awarded	-	-	-	-	~
	Rejected	-	-	-	-	-
Additional allowance child	<b>All</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>
	Awarded	15	15	15	20	15
	Rejected	~	~	~	~	~
Child allowance only	<b>All</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>~</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
	Awarded	~	~	5	~	~
	Rejected	~	-	~	~	-
Widow(er)s child allowances	<b>All</b>	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>~</b>
	Awarded	~	~	-	5	~
	Rejected	-	~	-	-	-
Widow(er)s rent allowance	<b>All</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>
	Awarded	10	10	10	15	10
	Rejected	-	~	~	-	-
Temporary allowance Widow(er)	<b>All</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>95</b>
	Awarded	95	105	115	125	95
	Rejected	-	-	~	~	~
Funeral expenses	<b>All</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>515</b>
	Awarded	205	215	250	210	295
	Rejected	285	300	255	195	225

Note: (1) Awards processed in the quarter. Entitlement may be backdated to a previous quarter.

**Table 2.4a: First claims to supplementary allowances automatically awarded during quarter, by allowance type<sup>(1)</sup>, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009**

Allowance type	First awards made during:				
	Q1-2008	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009
Age – 80 addition (NI) (Disablement & Widow(er))	15	20	15	10	15
Age – disablement	225	205	225	225	185
Age – Widow(er)s	140	165	170	150	155
Comforts allowance	10	5	10	5	5
Invalidity allowance	10	~	10	~	5

Note: (1) Awards processed in the quarter. Entitlement may be backdated to a previous quarter.

**Table 2.5: Appeals cleared (to Pensions Appeal Tribunal or during preparation) during quarter, by type, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009**

Appeals cleared	Appeals cleared during:				
	Q1-2008	Q2-2008	Q3-2008	Q4-2008	Q1-2009
<b>All Appeals Cleared</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>850</b>
Entitlement - Disablement	215	185	170	215	250
Entitlement - Widow(er)s	30	40	25	70	40
Assessment	350	295	260	340	455
Supplementary Allowances	70	65	75	105	80
Temporary Allowances	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	10	30	20	15	25

**Table 2.6: Pensions Appeal Tribunal decisions during quarter by appeal type, Q1-2008 to Q1-2009**

	Decisions made during:									
	Q1-2008		Q2-2008		Q3-2008		Q4-2008		Q1-2009	
<b>Entitlement Appeals</b>	<b>210</b>		<b>220</b>		<b>205</b>		<b>160</b>		<b>205</b>	
<u>Disablement</u>										
<b>All</b>	<b>165</b>		<b>190</b>		<b>175</b>		<b>135</b>		<b>165</b>	
Allowed	55	34%	75	39%	65	38%	65	47%	65	39%
Disallowed	105	66%	120	61%	110	62%	70	53%	100	61%
<u>Widow(er)s</u>										
<b>All</b>	<b>50</b>		<b>30</b>		<b>30</b>		<b>25</b>		<b>40</b>	
Allowed	10	16%	~	10%	5	17%	~	12%	5	13%
Disallowed	40	84%	25	90%	25	83%	25	88%	35	87%
<u>Overall</u>										
Allowed	65	30%	75	35%	70	35%	65	42%	70	34%
Disallowed	150	70%	145	65%	130	65%	95	58%	135	66%
<b>Assessment Appeals</b>	<b>305</b>		<b>290</b>		<b>280</b>		<b>185</b>		<b>240</b>	
Increased	110	37%	110	37%	110	39%	75	42%	80	33%
Upheld	190	62%	180	63%	170	61%	105	57%	160	67%
Reduced	~	1%	~	0%	~	0%	~	1%	-	0%
<b>Allowance Appeals</b>	<b>70</b>		<b>50</b>		<b>45</b>		<b>50</b>		<b>50</b>	
Allowed	15	24%	10	23%	15	28%	15	27%	15	30%
Disallowed	55	76%	40	77%	35	72%	35	73%	35	70%

## **Glossary of pensions and allowances**

### ***Age Allowance***

This may be paid to a war disablement pensioner (man or woman) who is aged 65 or over and whose disablement is assessed at 40% or more.

### ***Allowance for Lowered Standard of Occupation (ALSO)***

This may be paid if a pensioner's earning capacity is reduced because their pensioned disablement permanently prevents them following their regular occupation. To gain entitlement new claimants must be under age 65, with a service disablement of at least 40% when they make their claim. This allowance plus their basic War Disablement Pension cannot exceed the 100% disablement pension rate.

### ***Child Allowance Only***

There is a Child Allowance Only Pension in payment, i.e. no award has been given to War Widow(er)s Pension but her child has been awarded.

### ***Clothing Allowance (CLOT)***

This may be paid if the disablement causes exceptional wear and tear on clothing.

### ***Comforts Allowance (COMF)***

This may be paid to a severely disabled pensioner who is receiving Constant Attendance Allowance or Unemployability Supplement or both. It is intended to help with the extra expenses associated with severe disablement.

### ***Constant Attendance Allowance (CAA)***

This may be paid to a pensioner who needs regular personal attention because of their pensioned disablement and that disablement is assessed at 80% or more. It is payable at one of four rates. The rate varies according to the level of attendance they need.

### ***Disablement Pension (DP)***

This is paid at a rate which varies according to the degree of disablement. The degree of disablement is assessed on a percentage basis by the War Pension Agency medical advisors.

### ***Elderly Widow(er)'s Age Allowance***

A war widow(er) may receive an additional allowance at age 65 which is increased at age 70 and again at age 80.

### ***Exceptionally Severe Disablement Allowance (ESDA)***

This may be paid to a pensioner who is receiving Constant Attendance Allowance at one of the two highest rates, or would be receiving it if they were not in hospital.

### ***Funeral Expenses (FE)***

Funeral expenses may be paid if the pensioner died as a result of his service disablement, or died while having treatment for that disablement in hospital, or was entitled to Constant Attendance Allowance, or was at the time of his death 80% or more disabled and receiving Unemployability Supplement.

### ***Invalidity Allowance (IVA)***

This may be paid to a pensioner receiving Unemployability Supplement. The rate varies according to the age at which unemployability began.

### ***Modified Over Age Infirm Allowance (MOIA)***

Compensation/Allowances (including that paid to children living in the Irish Republic or Overseas) due to infirmity are taken into account when calculating an award of OAI and adjustments are made if necessary. (See OAI below)

**Modified Unemployability Supplement (MSUP)**

The basic conditions of eligibility to UNSUPP for a pensioner living abroad (including the Irish Republic and the Channel Islands) are the same as for the UK, however, if they become eligible for Retirement Pension or other benefit payable out of the public funds of that country then UNSUPP may be adjusted with that benefit, or paid at a nominal rate to allow continued payment of comforts allowance.

**Orphan's Pension**

This may be payable to a child who has lost both parents.

**Over Age Infirm Allowance (OAIA)**

Over Age Infirm Allowance for children of deceased pensioners unable to support themselves dates back to the 1914 War. The allowance can be awarded or continued beyond the normal age limits on the grounds of infirmity if the ailment is of a nature which is likely to prevent the person from earning a living either permanently or for a prolonged period and infirmity commenced before age 16. The person is still referred to as a child even though they may be quite elderly.

**Rent Allowance (RENT)**

A war widow(er) with a child or children may be eligible for a rent allowance.

**Severe Disablement Occupational Allowance (SDOA)**

This may be paid to a pensioner who is entitled to Constant Attendance Allowance at one of the two highest rates, but who still normally has a gainful occupation.

**Temporary Allowance for Widow(er)s (TAW)**

This may be paid to a widow(er), irrespective of the cause of their spouse's death, if he/she were awarded Unemployability Supplement or Constant Attendance Allowance or both. The allowance is approximately equal to the disablement pension and allowances paid to their late spouse. It is paid for the first 26 weeks of widowhood.

**Treatment Allowance (TA)**

This is equivalent to a disablement pension paid at the 100% rate. It may be paid instead of a disablement pension to a pensioner who incurs a loss of earnings as a result of receiving treatment for their pensioned disablement.

**Unemployability Supplement (UNSUPP)**

This may be paid to a pensioner who is unemployable or virtually unemployable as a result of the war pensioned disablement. To gain entitlement, new claimants must be under age 65, with a pensioned disablement assessed at 60% or more when they make their claim. Additional allowances may be paid for a spouse and a child or children.

**War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement (WPMS)**

This is intended to help with the mobility costs of a pensioner who is unable to walk, or virtually unable to walk. New claimants must have a service disablement of at least 40%. It is paid to double amputees and to those pensioners who need help getting about because they are both deaf and blind as a result of their pensioned disablement.

**War Widow(er)'s Pension (WWP)**

The standard rate of pension may be paid if the widow(er) has a dependant child, or is over 40, or is incapable of self-support.

The lower rate is paid to childless widow(er)s under the age of 40. If the spouse was receiving Constant Attendance Allowance, or at the time of his/her death was 80% or more disabled and receiving Unemployability Supplement, a War Widow(er)s Pension is awarded automatically irrespective of the cause of death.

**War Widow(er)'s Special Allowance**

This is a Supplementary Pension payable to "pre-1973 war widow(er)s" (the widow(er)s of Service personnel who died or left the services before 31<sup>st</sup> March 1973, and who did not benefit from the improvements made from that date to the MOD's Armed Forces Pension Scheme).

## **Glossary of terms and conventions**

### ***Adult Dependant***

Adult relatives, i.e. sister, brother, aunt or uncle etc, for whom the service person was financially responsible.

### ***Appeal***

An appeal provides a person with an impartial re-examination of the decision under appeal.

### ***Cleared***

Where the work by the Service Personnel and Veterans Agency (SPVA) on a specific task has been fully completed.

### ***Conditional List Review***

Conditional List Review cases arise because SPVA Medical Services have previously made an interim assessment for a limited period because the level of disablement was likely to change. A review date is calculated so that disablement can be reassessed before the given period expires.

### ***Current Invaliding***

Personnel invalided from the Forces and their case referred direct to the SPVA by Ministry of Defence for War Pensions consideration.

### ***Eligible War Pension Claimant***

A claimant is eligible for consideration under the WPS where disablement or death has occurred as a result of Service in HM Forces, prior to 6 April 2005. In addition, awards may also be made where disablement or death has occurred as a result of:

- War-time Service in the Naval Auxiliary Service, or the Mercantile Marine
- Service in the Polish Forces under British command during World War Two

Pensions, allowances or other payments may also be awarded where the disablement or death of a civilian or a member of a civil defence organisation is the direct result of an injury sustained as a result of enemy action in World War Two.

### ***Gratuity***

A single payment where war disablement has been accepted, but the disablement has been assessed at less than 20%.

### ***Outcome***

The final decision on a claim or action.

### ***PAT***

Pensions Appeal Tribunal.

### ***Provision of Treatment***

The reimbursement of Treatment/Medical expenses for War Pensioners living abroad.

### ***Received***

When a claim, appeal or piece of correspondence has been received by the SPVA.

### ***Registered***

When the case or claim is registered on the War Pension Computer System.

### ***Restored Widow(er)***

A war widow(er) whose War Widow(er)s Pension was withdrawn on his/her remarriage and who subsequently re-claims the pension on becoming widowed again, legally separated, or divorced.

### ***Unmarried Dependant***

Partner who lived with the ex-service person for at least 6 months before his enlistment, was maintained by him and who has borne his child.

**War**

1914 War	Disabled due to service between 4 August 1914 and 30 September 1921.
Inter War	Disabled due to service between 1 October 1921 and 2 September 1939.
1939 Onwards	Disabled due to service from 3 September 1939 to date.

**War Orphan**

Child of deceased service person who has no surviving mother or father. Child whose mother was divorced from a service person at the time of death. Child who is not in the care of the surviving parent.

**War Parent**

Parent of the deceased service person.

**Widow(er)**

Spouse of ex-service person whose death was whilst in service or related to a disablement due to service from 4 August 1914 to date.

From 8 April 2002 a change in the law governing the War Pensions Scheme means that the provisions for war widowers have been equalised to align with those available to war widows. This change in the war pension law applies from the 8 April 2002 onwards and means that war widowers are now entitled, as appropriate, to the same basic pension, supplementary pension and allowances (e.g. in respect of any dependant children) as war widows. In particular, the means-testing element previously applied to war widowers' claims and pensions has been removed.

## **Appendix – Changes to the publication**

Due to improvements in data processing, some tables within the publication have been updated. As such, figures may be different to those previously published.

The table below documents these changes and the revisions made, where applicable.

Publication which revision was made	in Number of Revised Table	Reason for Revision	Period for which Revisions have been Published
June 2008	1.5	Previously unidentified codes have been re-classified, therefore reducing the number of cases with a 'Not Known' Government Office Region, and increasing the numbers in Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Other UK and creating the 'UK Unknown' Category.	March 2003 – March 2008
September 2008	1.7	More accurate means of calculating the average amounts paid have been implemented, therefore slightly increasing previously published figures for average amounts received by War Widow(er)s.	March 2007 – June 2008

Revisions can be found by going to <http://www.dasa.mod.uk> and clicking on 'National Statistic Publications' then 'War Pension Statistics' and 'Historical'.

Revisions prior to March 2007 are available upon request to [dasa-info@dasa-office@mod.uk](mailto:dasa-info@dasa-office@mod.uk)