

Table 107 Loan support for mortgage interest payments in Great Britain

Numbers in caseload

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Region								
North East	253	727	707	663	579	568	624	659
North West	922	2,358	2,232	2,071	1,884	1,780	1,981	2,095
Yorkshire and The Humber	574	1,301	1,225	1,190	1,015	1,001	1,172	1,200
East Midlands	534	1,163	1,105	1,065	927	879	1,006	1,109
West Midlands	623	1,511	1,404	1,340	1,208	1,166	1,356	1,422
East of England	568	1,438	1,342	1,258	1,079	1,001	1,176	1,288
London	660	1,744	1,658	1,577	1,425	1,383	1,537	1,626
South East	879	1,986	1,813	1,713	1,515	1,391	1,603	1,806
South West	620	1,539	1,488	1,407	1,225	1,140	1,280	1,377
Country								
England	5,636	13,767	12,971	12,291	10,858	10,310	11,734	12,588
Wales	495	1,186	1,109	1,063	928	877	946	976
Scotland	771	1,517	1,356	1,223	1,059	920	928	935
Great Britain	6,901	16,471	15,439	14,576	12,844	12,106	13,610	14,502
Qualifying Benefit								
Jobseeker's allowance	115	550	388	280	177	113	81	–
Employment and support allowance	3,265	8,659	8,099	7,333	6,274	5,496	4,863	2,698
Income support	635	1,738	1,456	1,184	905	738	547	11
Pension credit	2,665	4,294	3,660	3,201	2,662	2,211	1,975	1,816
Universal credit	55	649	1,464	2,182	2,469	3,248	5,866	9,810
Unknown/missing	164	584	375	399	360	306	276	170

Source: DWP Stat-Xplore Support for Mortgage Interest (SMI) Loans in Payment.

Notes: 1. The figures refer to households (benefit units) that were in receipt of a SMI loan in the month of May each year.

2. Figures may not sum due to DWP measures to minimise the risk of disclosure.

3. Backdated SMI payments can skew the mean SMI weekly payment amount upwards particularly when statistics are broken down by qualifying benefit or region. Caution should therefore be exercised when interpreting quarterly changes.

4. Data on qualifying benefit for the latest year are provisional for all benefits except universal credit and may be revised in subsequent tables.

5. '-' denotes nil or negligible number of claimants.