

FOI RESPONSE ISSUED - 14 JULY 2022

REQUEST

“1a. The number of applications received for civil codes DEFAM (defamation); DISCM (discrimination), and JRH (judicial review - housing) in each of the five most recent years for which complete data are available.

1b. The outcomes of said applications - granted, refused, etc, broken down by category code.

2a. The number of grants of advice and assistance registered under A&A codes HLES, HOU, AJA, DISC, ECHR, JR, PRIS, and UKSC in each of the five most recent years for which complete data are available.

2b. The outcomes of said applications - granted, refused, etc, broken down by category code.

2c. The mean authorised expenditure of those granted, broken down by category code.

3. The number of instances in which civil legal aid was granted under category code JRH (judicial review - housing), in which expenses were awarded in favour of the assisted person, for each of the five most recent years for which complete data are available.

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The three tables below show for the three codes you list a breakdown by year for the numbers of applications received. The tables also then show a breakdown of that figure by the current status of the case.

For example for the DEFAM code three cases were received in the calendar year 2019. Of those 1 has been granted and 2 have been refused.

DEFAM	Total received	Current Case Status				
		Rejected	Abandoned	Under Assessment	Granted	Refused
2017	0					
2018	1				1	
2019	3				1	2
2020	1		1			
2021	1				1	

Current Case Status						
DISCM	Total received	Rejected	Abandoned	Under Assessment	Granted	Refused
2017	2				1	1
2018	1	1				
2019	14	3	2		7	2
2020	4				1	3
2021	11	1			8	2

Current Case Status						
JRH	Total received	Rejected	Abandoned	Under Assessment	Granted	Refused
2017	33	11	7		12	3
2018	17	3	8		4	2
2019	48	21	17		9	1
2020	21	4	6		10	1
2021	23	6	4	1	8	4

2a. The number of grants of advice and assistance registered under A&A codes HLES, HOU, AJA, DISC, ECHR, JR, PRIS, and UKSC in each of the five most recent years for which complete data are available.

2b. The outcomes of said applications - granted, refused, etc, broken down by category code.

Similarly the seven tables below show for the codes you listed a breakdown by year for the numbers of applications received. The tables again then show a breakdown of that figure by the current status of the case.

Main Category	Year Received	Total received	Rejected	Held - Pending Information	Granted	Refused
AJA	2017	3			3	
AJA	2018	11			11	
AJA	2019	6			6	
AJA	2020	5			5	
AJA	2021	5			5	

Main Category	Year Received	Total received	Rejected	Held - Pending Information	Granted	Refused
DISC	2017	51		1	50	
DISC	2018	53			53	
DISC	2019	70	2		68	
DISC	2020	33	1		32	
DISC	2021	42	3		39	

Main Category	Year Received	Total received	Rejected	Held - Pending Information	Granted	Refused
ECHR	2017	0				
ECHR	2018	2			2	
ECHR	2019	0				
ECHR	2020	2	1		1	
ECHR	2021	1			1	

Main Category	Year Received	Total received	Rejected	Held - Pending Information	Granted	Refused
HLES	2017	695	1	17	677	
HLES	2018	575	1	6	568	
HLES	2019	665	8	8	649	
HLES	2020	363	4	3	356	
HLES	2021	224	1		223	

Main Category	Year Received	Total received	Rejected	Held - Pending Information	Granted	Refused
HOU	2017	260		6	248	6
HOU	2018	238	3		229	6
HOU	2019	242	6	1	235	
HOU	2020	205	3		202	
HOU	2021	223	6		217	

Main Category	Year Received	Total received	Rejected	Held - Pending Information	Granted	Refused
JR	2017	782		9	773	
JR	2018	926	5	6	915	
JR	2019	838	15	5	818	
JR	2020	744	4	1	739	
JR	2021	630	10	3	617	

Main Category	Year Received	Total received	Rejected	Held - Pending Information	Granted	Refused
PRIS	2017	307		1	304	2
PRIS	2018	287		2	282	3
PRIS	2019	238	3		235	
PRIS	2020	280	6		274	
PRIS	2021	194	2		192	

2c. The mean authorised expenditure of those granted, broken down by category code.

Category code	Count of granted cases	Mean authorised expenditure
AJA	30	£433
DISC	242	£525
ECHR	4	£345
HLES	2473	£211
HOU	1131	£123
JR	3862	£625
PRIS	1287	£108

3. The number of instances in which civil legal aid was granted under category code JRH (judicial review - housing), in which expenses were awarded in favour of the assisted person, for each of the five most recent years for which complete data are available.

The figures are 4 cases in 2017, 2 cases in 2018 and 1 case in 2021.