## **Protected Characteristics**

Characteristic	As at 5 October 2023	
	Number	% of all claimants
Total claimants	17,143	
Age	·	
Pension age	6,935	40%
Working age	10,208	60%
Disability	-,	
Disability benefit in payment	6,234	36%
Pension age and in receipt of a disability benefit	2,751	16%
Working age and in receipt of a disability benefit	3,483	20%
Working age and in receipt of Disability Living Allowance	1,594	9%
In receipt of a disability benefit and earned income	27	0.2%
Marriage and Civil Partnership Specific data is not available on these protected characteristics for th however information is collated regarding households who are single parents.		
Single, pension age	5,422	32%
Households with children	3,493	20%
Working age households with children	3,471	20%
Lone parents	2,623	15%
Couples with children	870	5%
Children		
Working age and child Benefit disregarded in full as income	2,706	16%
Working age, female, lone parents and child Benefit disregarded in full as income	1,903	11%
Child care costs disregard applied	6	0.03%
Working age and receiving child maintenance payments	25	0.1%
Sex		
Male	6,857	40%
Female	10,286	60%
Male Pension age	2,874	17%
Female Pension age	4,061	24%
Male lone parents	208	1%
Female lone parents	2,415	14%
Current and Former members of the Armed Forces	,	
In receipt of a disregarded war pension	17	0.01%
Working age and in receipt of a disregarded war pension	5	0.01%
Carers		
In receipt of Carers Allowance	1,060	6%
Socio-economic disadvantage	,	
Working age and out of work	9,596	56%
Working age and receiving full CTS	3,675	21%
Working age and earning (receiving 35% earnings disregard)	589	3%
Cared for children and care leavers		
Non-dependant disregard applied due to Staying Put	26	0.2%
Gender reassignment, Pregnancy and Maternity, Breastfeeding		
Mental Health Specific data is not available on these protected characteristics for the		