

## FOI DOF/2024-0071

**Request**

- 1) How many overpayments have been made since 31st March 2012 until now?
- 2) How many overpayments have been written off in that same period?

**DoF Response**

The Department of Finance can confirm that it holds the following information that would fall within the scope of the request:

1)

Total Number of Overpayment Cases <i>(Period :31 March 2012 to 13 February 2024)</i>	7,562
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2)

Total Number of Overpayment Cases Written Off* <i>(Period :31 March 2012 to 13 February 2024)</i>	4,075
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*\* Please note that this figure includes partial as well as fully written off balances. Up to March 2016, overpayments under £20 were automatically written off. Between April 2016 and June 2019, overpayments under £150 were automatically written off. From July 2019, overpayments under £200 are automatically written off.*