



# DLA

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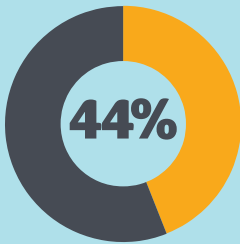


Disability Living Allowance (DLA) is the main benefit for disabled children. It is there to help meet some of the extra costs of having a disabled child.

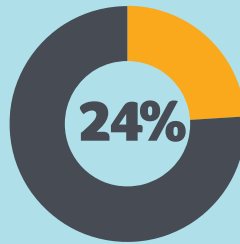
**Families describe getting DLA as life-changing.**

**However, take up is low and millions go unclaimed.**

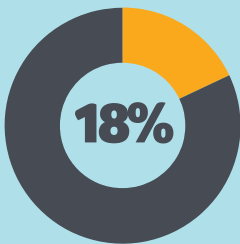
New evidence<sup>1</sup> from the Counting the Costs campaign finds the main reasons why families are not making a claim for DLA are often linked to misconceptions about DLA eligibility.



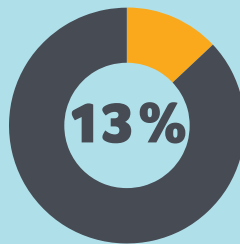
**think their child's disabilities wouldn't count**



**think they need a diagnosis for their child**



**feel uneasy claiming benefits for their disabled child**



**were told by someone their child wouldn't be eligible**

“ DLA means my son gets the chance to do the same things other kids do. ”

“ Before I spoke to Contact I didn't think that my daughter would get DLA. ”

“ I didn't think her condition was severe enough. ”

“ I felt unsure about the idea of claiming benefits at all. ”



**The Counting the Costs campaign want more families to get advice on this life-changing benefit.**

**Call our free helpline on 0808 808 3555 so we can talk you through the rules for getting DLA and send you our free guide.**

1. Based on responses from 481 families currently not claiming DLA for their disabled child