



Visual Guide

**National Audit Office
Access to Work Report**

What is Access to Work?



Access to Work is a programme that helps people who are **Deaf, Disabled, neurodivergent,** or are experiencing a **mental health** condition to **access work.**



Access to Work helps people work by providing **funding** for things like **interpreters, assistive technology,** and **accessible transport.**



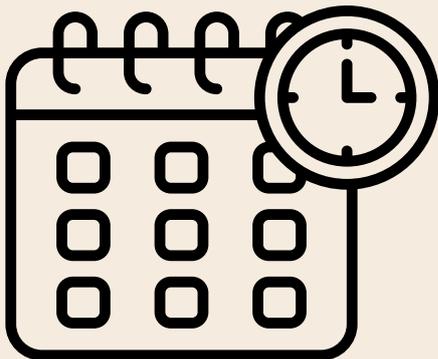
The **National Audit Office** has made a **report** about **Access to Work.**

What does the report say?



The **report** says **more people** have **needed** to use **Access to Work** in the last **2 years**.

This means **Access to Work** is **spending** more **money** than it used to.

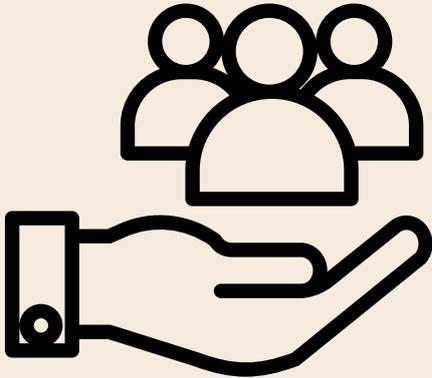


The **report** says **more** people are **applying** for Access to Work.

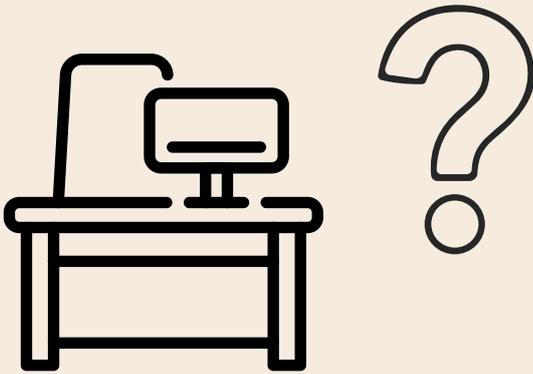
It is taking a **long time** for people to **find out** if they will receive **their funding**.

The **government** is **worried** about **how long** it is taking for people to **receive their funding**.

What does the report say?



The **report** says **Access to Work** is meant to **help** employers hire **Disabled** people.



Employers must also **help** make their **workplace** **accessible**.



The **report** says **Access to Work** is **important** to **many** people.

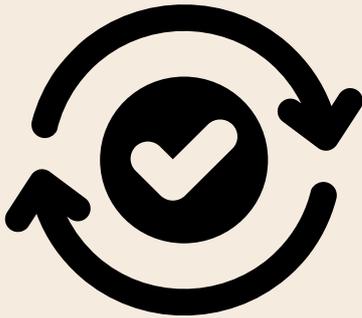
Access to Work has **not** **collected** the **information** it needs to **show** **how** it has **helped** people.

What does the report say?



The **report** says **Access to Work** has **not** given out funding **fairly**.

Some people who need **Access to Work** funding are **not receiving** it.



The **report** says that the **government** wants to make **changes** to Access to Work.



The **report** says that they want to **lower** the amount of **funding** that Access to Work **provides**.

They want **employers** to **provide** more **funding** to make jobs **accessible**.

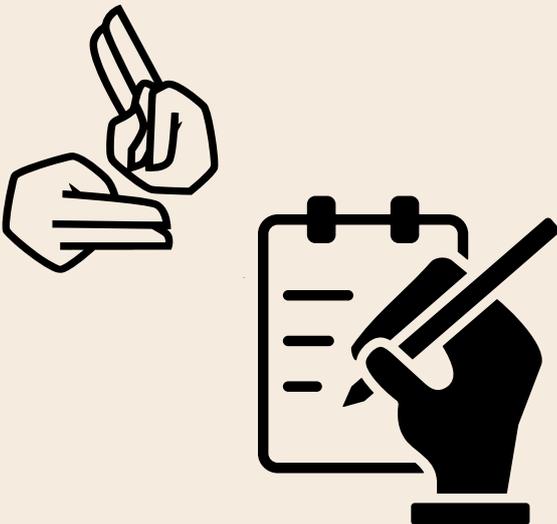
What does the report say?



The **report** says **Access to Work** is needed by **more people** who are **Learning Disabled, neurodivergent,** or are experiencing a **mental health condition.**



The **report** says **Access to Work** is spending **more money** than it **used to** spend on **support workers.**



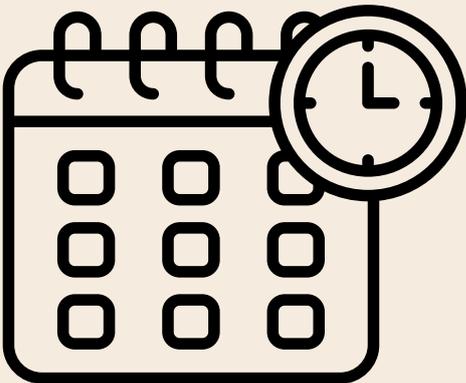
The **report** says **support workers** can be **sign language interpreters, note takers,** help with **personal care,** or perform **other tasks** that might be **hard** for someone to do **by themselves.**

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The **report** says it is taking a **long time** for people to **find out** if they will **receive funding**.

This is **because** there are **so many applications**.



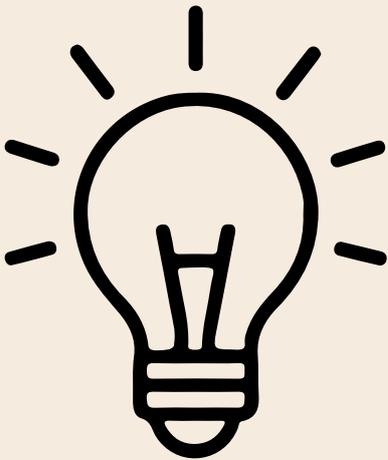
The **report** says that while people **wait** to find out if they will **receive Access to Work**, they have to **pay** for their **access support themselves**.

Sometimes employers will be able to **help pay** for this **support**.

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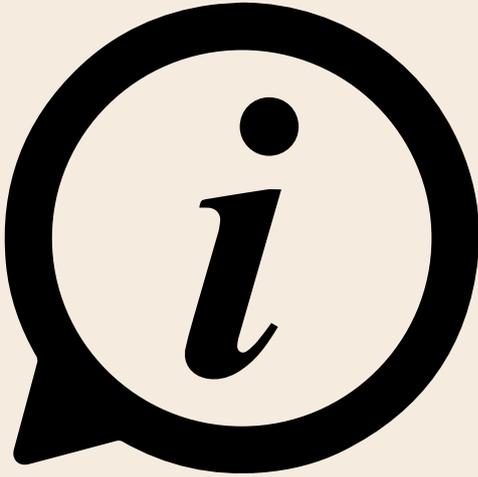


The **report** says **access to Work** has **hired more** employees to help with the **large number** of **applications**.



The **report** makes **recommendations** to **Access to Work** to help **fix** some of **these problems**.

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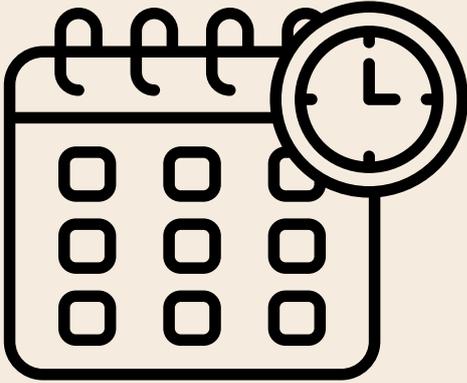


The **report** suggests that **Access to Work** should **collect** more **information** about **who** they are **helping**.

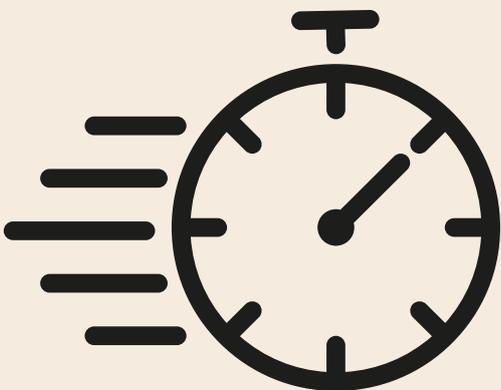


The **report** suggests that they should **make fairer decisions** around funding.

What does the report say?



The **report** suggests that **Access to Work** should make changes to make **waiting times shorter**.



The **report** suggests that they should **make changes** to make the **whole process faster**.