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7 Families is a charity led campaign to provide a tax-free income for one year to seven people who have lost their income because of a serious or long-term illness or disability and who didn't have income protection insurance.



Today in the UK 2.2m people of working age will be off work for at least 6 months at any one time through sickness and disability.



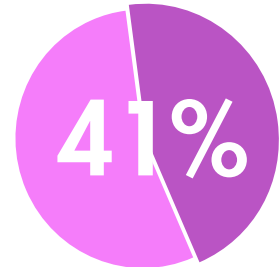
The Snell Family

Until last summer Graeme Snell was a fit and healthy, working full time as an Advanced Health and Wellbeing Practitioner and described himself as being very fit.

In July 2014 he had a double stroke and although he hasn't worked since he has been described by medical staff as a 'walking miracle'.

Graeme said: "There is no doubt that my level of fitness helped the recovery, and I dread to think what condition I might be in if I didn't keep fit. There are some ongoing symptoms but overall I'm keen to return to work as soon as possible.

"The money from the project will help with day to day life. I will be taking voluntary redundancy in the spring and would like to return to work in some capacity before the end of the year, which is why the rehabilitation and support also provided by the project could be so important."



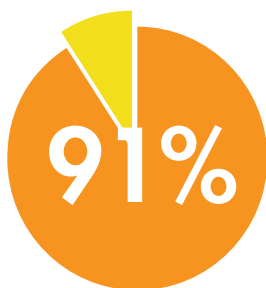
41% of workers with less than a month in savings would receive no employer sick pay if they were ill.



In August 2014 there were 2.51 million people claiming Employment & Support Allowance or Incapacity Benefits.



On average 4 in 5 people with cancer are £570 a month worse off than before.



91% of all individual Income Protection claims were paid by insurers in 2013.



2,078,536 people are covered by Income Protection from their employer.



7 families – The campaign highlights the need to plan financially in case you become too ill to earn an income. The charity Disability Rights UK are working with the seven families where the main breadwinner has been forced out of work by an accident or illness.

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