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House of Commons
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Dear Ms Swinson

As Director General for the Office for National Statistics, I have been asked to reply to your Parliamentary Question asking what recent estimate has been made of the number of working days lost due to allergies in the UK. 8765

Data on absenteeism from the workplace are available from the Labour Force Survey (LFS). Estimates on the number of working days lost due to allergies are not available.

Yours sincerely,



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Director General for ONS