

Consultation on the National Records of Scotland's Demographic Statistics Products (does not cover Census outputs)

Introduction

The National Records of Scotland (NRS) is seeking your views both to inform potential reductions to some of its Demographic Statistics outputs and to identify ways in which its other outputs might be improved. This is a follow on from the consultation on the [Demography Statistical Work Programme](#) (PDF 474 KB) carried out in December 2010.

In common with much of the public sector we are still facing reductions in our funding and therefore NRS has to consider savings where these can be made. The aim of the consultation is to obtain feedback on the need for and use of these outputs to ensure that we continue to produce the statistics that meet user needs. Your views will help to inform these important decisions in order that we can continue to make improvements and respond to new issues as they arise.

We are seeking feedback on the quality of our statistical products and suggestions for changes that would make them more useful to you. It is an important part of our commitment to understand the needs of our customers so that we can continually improve.

Topic and scope

National Records of Scotland (NRS) would like your views on four specific outputs and more generally other outputs produced by the teams in the Demographic Statistics area:

1. Marital Status Population Estimates

[Population estimates by marital status](#) (NRS website) describe the population usually resident in Scotland by legal marital status. The population estimates are produced by the cohort component method in which information on natural change (births and deaths) and migration is used to update census-based estimates of the resident population. These estimates are provided by Single Year of Age (SYOA) and sex.

We propose to stop this publication. Analysis of the consultation results on the Demography Statistical Work Programme showed a small number of users would be seriously affected by this decision. Survey based estimates are available elsewhere for example from the Scottish Household Survey.

We are asking you to tell us the impact this decision would have on you and your work.

2. Registrar General's Annual Review of Demographic Trends

The [Registrar General's Annual Review](#) (NRS website) brings together relevant and up-to-date information on Scotland's people and places. The report has been published annually for nearly 160 years.

We propose to cut down the content of the report to high level main points accompanied by [infographics](#) (PDF 2.65 MB) which present the information in a visual format. Most of the information within the report is published elsewhere on the NRS website and links will be provided. Responses from the consultation on the Demography Statistical Work Programme previously had a small number of users concerned about the reduction in commentary within the Registrar General's Annual Review.

We are asking you to tell us the impact this decision would have on you and your work.

3. Publication of Statistics on Same Sex Marriage

With the introduction of same sex marriage in December 2014, we will be able to add further detail to the marriage statistics in the [Vital Events Reference Tables](#) and the [Quarterly Births, Deaths and Other Vital Events](#) publications, both available on the NRS website.

We are asking for your views on the types of additional analyses which would be useful to you.

4. Electoral Statistics

[Electoral Statistics](#) (NRS website) provide data on the size of Scottish electorates across geographies and election franchises. These statistics are produced annually based on information collected from Scotland's 15 Electoral Registration Officers.

There is no current proposal to discontinue this publication, but we are seeking to better understand your uses of the data .

5. Other statistical products within Demographic Statistics

We are asking you to let us know:

- what statistical products you use and how you use them;
- what you think about the quality of our products; and
- the impact on you of possible reductions in various areas of NRS Demography statistical work.

Who are we seeking views from?

We would particularly like to hear from regular users of our statistics, but anyone can respond and all views will be considered fully.

Duration

The consultation will be open from 11 February to 22 April 2015.

Enquiries

Any enquiries should be made through NRS Customer Services:

Phone: 0131 314 4299

Email: customer@gro-scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Responding to this Consultation Paper

We are inviting written responses to this consultation paper by 22 April 2015. We would be grateful if you could complete the survey online through SurveyMonkey link provided or use the questionnaire provided in **Annex B**.

www.surveymonkey.com/s/NRS_Demographic_stats_consultation

If you are providing your response in hard copy and are using a separate piece of paper, we would appreciate if you could clearly indicate the questions you are responding to as this will aid the analysis of the responses received.

Since this consultation is covering a wide range of publications, respondents are free to only focus on those products which they use.

Please send the completed Consultation Questionnaire and Respondent Information Form (refer to 'Handling your Response' below) to:

customer@gro-scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Or

Demographic Statistics Consultation
National Records of Scotland
1/2/9 Ladywell House
Ladywell Road
Edinburgh
EH12 7TF

If you have any queries please contact NRS Customer Services on 0131 314 4299

This consultation and all other National Records of Scotland consultation exercises, can be viewed online at the [consultation web pages](#) of the National Records of Scotland website.

Handling your response

We need to know how you would like your response to be handled and, in particular, whether you are happy for it to be made public. Please complete and return the **Respondent Information Form (Annex A)** this will ensure that we treat your response appropriately. If you ask for your response not to be published we will regard it as confidential.

All respondents should be aware that the National Records of Scotland are subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 and would therefore have

to consider any request made to it under the Act for information relating to responses made to this consultation exercise.

Completing the Respondent Information Form (RIF)

If completing the RIF electronically, please ensure that any box which requires to be 'ticked' is completed. This can be achieved by double-clicking on the box and selecting the Default Value as 'Checked'.

In the Permissions section of the form, there is the option to respond as either an individual or an organisation. Please note whichever 'route' is selected – individual or group/organisation – only one column (questions (a) and (b) for individuals or question (c) for organisations) requires to be completed. Question (d) should be completed by all respondents whether replying as an individuals or on behalf of an organisation.

What happens next?

Following the closing date, all responses will be analysed and considered along with any other available evidence to help us reach a decision on the review of Demographic Statistics outputs. We aim to issue a full report on this consultation process in June 2015 and introduce any changes to the publications thereafter.

Where respondents have given permission for their response to be made public and after we have checked that they contain no potentially defamatory material, responses will be made available to the public on the NRS website.

Comments and complaints

If you have any questions about the consultation exercise or comments about how it has been conducted, please send them to:

Address: Demographic Statistics Consultation
National Records of Scotland
1/2/9 Ladywell House
Ladywell Road
Edinburgh
EH12 7TF

Email: customer@gro-scotland.gsi.gov.uk

Annex A: Respondent Information Form

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Please note: this form **must** be returned with your response to ensure that we handle your response appropriately

1. Name/Organisation Name

Title Mr Ms Mrs Miss Dr Please tick as appropriate

Surname

Forename

2. Postal Address

Postcode	Phone
Email	

3. Permissions - I am responding as...

Individual / Group/Organisation

Please tick as

(a) Do you agree to your response being made available to the public (on the National Records of Scotland web site)?

Please tick as appropriate

Yes No

(c) The name and address of your organisation **will be** made available to the public (on the National Records of Scotland web site).

(b) Where confidentiality is not requested, we will make your responses available to the public on the following basis

Please tick ONE of the following boxes

Yes, make my response, name and address all available

or

Yes, make my response available, but not my name and address

or

Yes, make my response and name available, but not my address

Are you content for your **response** to be made available?

Please tick as appropriate

Yes No

(d) We will share your response internally with other National Records of Scotland (NRS) teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you again in the future, but we require your permission to do so. Are you content for NRS to contact you again in relation to this consultation exercise?

Please tick as appropriate

Yes

No

Annex B: Consultation Questions

Marital Status Population Estimates

We plan to stop the publication of [Marital Status Population Estimates](#) (NRS website). This follows from the feedback in the [Demography Statistical Work Programme](#) (PDF 474 KB) consultation carried out in December 2010. The last publication was for 2008 estimates which are available on the NRS website.

High level marital status population estimates are available from the [Scotland's Census 2011](#) (PDF 1.07 MB) available on the Scotland's Census website and the [Scottish Household Survey \(SHS\)](#) available on the Scottish Government website. The census is published once every 10 years while the SHS is an annual survey. However, the level of detail in these sources is reduced and the statistics are not presented at single year of age.

Do you or your organisation use Marital Status Population Estimates statistics?

- Yes
 No

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if the above product were to be discontinued?

- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected.

Finally, do you have any other comments regarding Marital Status Population Estimates?

Register General's Annual Review of Demographic Trends

We are considering to cut down the content in the [Registrar General's Annual Review](#) (NRS website) to include only main points accompanied by an [infographic](#) (PDF 2.65 MB) supplement. Almost all the information presented in the Registrar General's Annual Review is found in the [statistics](#) publications on the NRS website and also those [publications](#) on the Scotland's Census website.

Most of the material that appears in the Births, Deaths, Marriages & Civil Partnerships and Adoptions chapters, together with Vital Events Reference Tables which used to be included in this publication will continue to be published but will appear within the [Vital Events](#) section of the NRS website.

What do you or your organisation use the Registrar General's Annual Review of Demographic Trends for?

Please select ALL that apply

- Don't use
- Monitoring and formulating policy
- Resource allocation
- Service planning
- Incorporating into other statistics
- Preparing legislation
- Business/financial planning
- Teaching/education projects
- Research
- Media use
- Interest group
- Personal interest

Other (please specify)

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if content of the above product is cut down to only include main points accompanied by an infographic supplement?

High

Medium

Low

None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected.

Finally, do you have any other comments regarding the Registrar General's Annual Review of Demographic Trends?

Same Sex Marriage

With the introduction of same sex marriage in December 2014, we will be able to add further detail to the marriage statistics in the [Vital Events Reference Tables](#) and the [Quarterly Births, Deaths and Other Vital Events](#) publications available on the NRS website.

The scope for adding to the quarterly publications is fairly limited but there are a number of detailed marriage tables in the Vital Events Reference Tables (refer to section 7) which could be amended or added to.

Do you or your organisation use marriage statistics?

- Yes
- No

Please provide details in the box below of any changes or additions you would like to see to these tables to provide information on same sex marriage. For example, would you like to see the existing tables expanded to include all marriages without being able to separately identify same sex marriages? Or would you like to see separate breakdowns provided for same sex and opposite sex couples? Are you interested in statistics on civil partnership conversions?

Users should note that, as same sex marriages began to take place in December 2014, we may be unable to produce some detailed breakdowns for the 2014 statistics due to small numbers.

Electoral Statistics

This section asks what uses you make of the data contained in the [Electoral Statistics](#) (NRS website) publication.

What do you or your organisation use Electoral Statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

- Don't use
- Monitoring and formulating policy
- Resource allocation
- Service planning
- Incorporating into other statistics
- Preparing legislation
- Business/financial planning
- Teaching/education projects
- Research
- Media use
- Interest group
- Personal interest

Other (please specify)

How important, if at all, are the Electoral Statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only

- Very important
- Fairly important
- Minor importance
- Not important at all
- Don't know

Thinking about the statistics included in this publication that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

Please select ONE answer only on each row

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't use
Meet your needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are accurate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are timely	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are clearly presented	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are easy to find	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Are there any specific changes you think we should make to these statistics (in terms of content, timing, methods, coverage etc)? Please specify.

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if the above product that you use were to be discontinued?

- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected.

Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?



Your use of Vital Events Statistics

The following section is going to ask more detailed questions about your use of [Vital Events](#) (NRS website) publications, including the impacts if any of discontinuing or reducing the scope of the publications.

A number of statistical publications are found under this theme namely:

- Accidental Deaths
- Age-standardised death rates
- Alcohol-related Deaths
- Babies' First Names
- Most Common Surnames in Birth, Marriage and Deaths registers
- Births, Deaths and Other Vital Events – Quarterly Figures (for the purposes of these questions, this also covers the accompanying 'Weekly and Monthly' figures, and the closely related 'Preliminary Annual Figures')
- Clostridium Difficile (C. diff) Deaths
- Drug-Related Deaths in Scotland
- Hypothermia Deaths
- Meticillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) Deaths
- Suicides
- Vital Events Reference Tables
- Winter Mortality in Scotland

Vital Events – ‘Deaths from particular causes’ statistics

The following questions cover all publications under the ‘deaths from particular causes’ theme namely: Accidental, Alcohol-related, Clostridium Difficile (C. diff), Drug-related, Hypothermia, Meticillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) and Suicides. All of these can be found on the National Records of Scotland website www.nrscotland.gov.uk

What do you or your organisation use the following Vital Events ‘deaths from particular causes’ statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

	Accidental	Alcohol-related	C. diff	Drug-related	Hypothermia	MRSA	Suicides
Don't use	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Monitoring and formulating policy	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Resource allocation	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Service planning	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Incorporating into other statistics	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Preparing legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Business/financial planning	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Teaching/education projects	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Research	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Media use	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Interest group	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Personal interest	<input type="checkbox"/>						

Other (please specify, including the name of the publication(s))

How important, if at all, are the following Vital Events ‘deaths from particular causes’ statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only for each publication

	Accidental	Alcohol-related	C. diff	Drug-related	Hypothermia	MRSA	Suicides
Very important	<input type="radio"/>						
Fairly important	<input type="radio"/>						
Minor importance	<input type="radio"/>						
Not important at all	<input type="radio"/>						
Don't know	<input type="radio"/>						

Thinking about the statistics included in these publications that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

The following rating scale is used:

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| 0 – Don't use | 1 – Very dissatisfied | 2 – Dissatisfied |
| 3 – Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 4 – Satisfied | 5 – Very satisfied |

Please rate EACH publication on the given criteria

	Accidental	Alcohol-related	C. diff	Drug-related	Hypothermia	MRSA	Suicides
Meet your needs	<input type="text"/>						
Are accurate	<input type="text"/>						
Are timely	<input type="text"/>						
Are clearly presented	<input type="text"/>						
Are easy to find	<input type="text"/>						

Are there any specific changes you think we should make to these publications (in terms of content, timing, methods, coverage etc)? Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if any of the above products that you use were to be discontinued?

- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected. Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?

Vital Events – Other publications

The other Vital Events (VE) publications questions will cover the rest of the publications within Vital Events theme namely: Age-standardised death rates, Babies' First Names, Births, Deaths and Other Vital Events – Quarterly Figures, Most Common Surnames in Birth, Deaths and Marriage registers, Vital Events Reference Tables and Winter Mortality in Scotland. All of these can be found on the National Records of Scotland website www.nrscotland.gov.uk .

What do you or your organisation use the following Vital Events statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

	Age-standardised death rates	Babies' First Names	Most Common Surnames	Births, Deaths and Other VE - Quarterly Figures	VE Reference Tables	Winter Mortality
Don't use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monitoring and formulating policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resource allocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Incorporating into other statistics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preparing legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business/financial planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teaching/education projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interest group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal interest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please specify, including the name of the publication(s))

How important, if at all, are the following Vital Events statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only for each publication

	Age-standardised death rates	Babies' First Names	Most Common Surnames	Births, Deaths and Other VE - Quarterly Figures	VE Reference Tables	Winter Mortality
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fairly important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Minor importance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not important at all	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Don't know	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Thinking about the statistics included in these publications that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

The following rating scale is used:

- 0 – Don't use
- 1 – Very dissatisfied
- 2 – Dissatisfied
- 3 – Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 4 – Satisfied
- 5 – Very satisfied

Please rate EACH publication on the given criteria

	Age-standardised death rates	Babies' First Names	Most Common Surnames	Births, Deaths and Other VE - Quarterly Figures	VE Reference Tables	Winter Mortality
Meet your needs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are accurate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are timely	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are clearly presented	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are easy to find	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Are there any specific changes you think we should make to these publications (in terms of content, timing, methods, coverage etc)? Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if any of the above products that you use were to be discontinued?

- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected. Please specify the publication to which the response refers to.

Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?

Your use of Household Statistics

The following section is going to ask more detailed questions about your use of [Household Statistics](#) (NRS website) publications, including the impacts if any of discontinuing or reducing the scope of the publications.

A number of statistical publications are found under this theme namely:

- Estimates of Households and Dwellings in Scotland (including small area statistics)
- Household Projections for Scotland
- Household Projections for Scotland's Strategic Development Plan Areas and National Parks

Household Statistics

The Household statistics questions will cover all the publications under the households theme namely: Estimates of Households & Dwellings, Household Projections and Household Projections for SDP Areas & National Parks. All of these can be found on the National Records of Scotland website www.nrscotland.gov.uk.

What do you or your organisation use the following Household statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

	Estimates of Households and Dwellings in Scotland	Household Projections for Scotland and Council areas	Household Projections for SDP Areas and National Parks
Don't use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monitoring and formulating policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resource allocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Incorporating into other statistics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preparing legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business/financial planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teaching/education projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interest group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal interest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please specify, including the name of the publication(s))

How important, if at all, are the following Household statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only for each publication

	Estimates of Households and Dwellings in Scotland	Household Projections for Scotland and Council areas	Household Projections for SDP Areas and National Parks
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fairly important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Minor importance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not important at all	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Don't know	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Thinking about the statistics included in these publications that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

The following rating scale is used:

0 – Don't use

1 – Very dissatisfied

2 – Dissatisfied

3 – Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

4 – Satisfied

5 – Very satisfied

Please rate EACH publication on the given criteria

	Estimates of Households and Dwellings in Scotland	Household Projections for Scotland and Council areas	Household Projections for SDP Areas and National Parks
Meet your needs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are accurate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are timely	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are clearly presented	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are easy to find	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Are there any specific changes you think we should make to these publications (in terms of content, timing, methods, coverage etc)? Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if any of the above products that you use were to be discontinued?

- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected. Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?

Your use of Population, Migration and Life Expectancy Statistics

The following section is going to ask more detailed questions about your use of [Population](#), [Migration](#) and [Life Expectancy](#) statistics (NRS website) publications, including the impacts if any of discontinuing or reducing the scope of the publications.

A number of statistical publications are found under this theme namely:

Population Estimates

- Mid-Year Population Estimates
- Small Area Population Estimates
- Settlement and Locality Estimates
- Special Area Population Estimates - by this we mean population estimates for European NUTS areas, by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD), by SG Urban Rural classification, Westminster Parliamentary and Scottish Parliamentary constituencies.
- Population by Country of Birth and Nationality
- Centenarians (including estimates of those aged 90+)

Migration

- Total Migration To or From an Area
- Migration within Scotland
- Migration between Scotland and the Rest of the UK (RUK)
- Migration between Scotland and Overseas
- Local Area Migration Reports

Population Projections

- Projected Population of Scotland
- Sub-National Projections for Administrative Areas (council and NHS Board areas)
- Population Projections for National Parks and Strategic Development Plan Areas

Life Expectancy

- Scottish National Life Tables
- Life Expectancy for Administrative Areas within Scotland and Other Special Areas

Population Estimates

Population estimates questions will cover the following publications: Mid-Year Population Estimates, Small Area Population Estimates, Settlement & Locality Estimates, Special Area Population Estimates, Population by Country of Birth & Nationality and Centenarians (including 90+ estimates). All of these can be found on the National Records of Scotland website www.nrscotland.gov.uk.

What do you or your organisation use the following Population Estimates statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

	Mid-Year Population Estimates	Small Area Population Estimates	Settlement and Locality Estimates	Special Area Population Estimates	Population by Country of Birth and Nationality	Centenarians (including 90+ estimates)
Don't use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monitoring and formulating policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resource allocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Incorporating into other statistics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preparing legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business/financial planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teaching/education projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interest group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal interest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please specify, including the name of the publication(s))

How important, if at all, are the following Population Estimates statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only for each publication

	Mid-Year Population Estimates	Small Area Population Estimates	Settlement and Locality Estimates	Special Area Population Estimates	Population by Country of Birth and Nationality	Centenarians (including 90+ estimates)
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fairly important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Minor importance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not important at all	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Don't know	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Thinking about the statistics included in these publications that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

The following rating scale is used:

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| 0 – Don't use | 1 – Very dissatisfied | 2 – Dissatisfied |
| 3 – Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 4 – Satisfied | 5 – Very satisfied |

Please rate EACH publication on the given criteria

	Mid-Year Population Estimates	Small Area Population Estimates	Settlement and Locality Estimates	Special Area Population Estimates	Population by Country of Birth and Nationality	Centenarians (including 90+ estimates)
Meet your needs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are accurate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are timely	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are clearly presented	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are easy to find	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Are there any specific changes you think we should make to these publications (in terms of content, timing, methods, coverage etc)? Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if any of the above products that you use were to be discontinued?

- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected. Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?

Migration

The following section will cover the questions for all the statistics under the migration theme, all of these can be found on the National Records of Scotland website www.nrscotland.gov.uk .

What do you or your organisation use the following Migration statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

	Total Migration To or From an Area	Migration within Scotland	Migration between Scotland and RUK	Migration between Scotland and Overseas	Local Area Migration Reports
Don't use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monitoring and formulating policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resource allocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Incorporating into other statistics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preparing legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business/financial planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teaching/education projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interest group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal interest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please specify, including the name of the publication(s))

How important, if at all, are the following Migration statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only for each publication

	Total Migration To or From an Area	Migration within Scotland	Migration between Scotland and RUK	Migration between Scotland and Overseas	Local Area Migration Reports
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fairly important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Minor importance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not important at all	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Don't know	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Thinking about the statistics included in these publications that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

The following rating scale is used:

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| 0 – Don't use | 1 – Very dissatisfied | 2 – Dissatisfied |
| 3 – Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 4 – Satisfied | 5 – Very satisfied |

Please rate EACH publication on the given criteria

	Total Migration To or From an Area	Migration within Scotland	Migration between Scotland and RUK	Migration between Scotland and Overseas	Local Area Migration Reports
Meet your needs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are accurate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are timely	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are clearly presented	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a 'High' or 'Medium' impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected. Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?

Population Projections

This section will cover questions on [Population Projections](#) which are available on the NRS website.

What do you or your organisation use the following Population Projections statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

	Projected Population of Scotland	Sub-National Population Projections of Admin Areas	Population Projections for National Parks and SDP Areas
Don't use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monitoring and formulating policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resource allocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Incorporating into other statistics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preparing legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business/financial planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teaching/education projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interest group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal interest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please specify, including the name of the publication(s))

How important, if at all, are the following Population Projections statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only for each publication

	Projected Population of Scotland	Sub-National Population Projections of Admin Areas	Population Projections for National Parks and SDP Areas
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fairly important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Minor importance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not important at all	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Don't know	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Thinking about the statistics included in these publications that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

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Please rate EACH publication on the given criteria

	Projected Population of Scotland	Sub-National Population Projections of Admin Areas	Population Projections for National Parks and SDP Areas
Meet your needs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are accurate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are timely	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Are there any specific changes you think we should make to these publications (in terms of content, timing, methods, coverage etc)? Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Please indicate the impact on you/your work if any of the above products that you use were to be discontinued?

- High Medium Low None

If you answered that it would have a ‘High’ or ‘Medium’ impact, please explain the value you place on these statistics, and particularly any decisions that would be affected. Please specify the publication(s) to which the response refers to.

Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?

Life Expectancy

The following section will cover the questions on [Life Expectancy](#) statistics which are found on the National Records of Scotland website.

What do you or your organisation use the following Life Expectancy statistics for?

Please select ALL that apply

	Scottish National Life Tables	Life Expectancy for Admin Areas of Scotland and Special Areas
Don't use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monitoring and formulating policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resource allocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Incorporating into other statistics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preparing legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business/financial planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teaching/education projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interest group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal interest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please specify, including the name of the publication(s))

How important, if at all, are the following Life Expectancy statistics to your work?

Please select ONE answer only for each publication

	Scottish National Life Tables	Life Expectancy for Admin Areas of Scotland and Special Areas
Very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fairly important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Minor importance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Not important at all	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Don't know	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Thinking about the statistics included in these publications that you use, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the extent to which they...

The following rating scale is used:

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| 0 – Don't use | 1 – Very dissatisfied | 2 – Dissatisfied |
| 3 – Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 4 – Satisfied | 5 – Very satisfied |

Please rate EACH publication on the given criteria

	Scottish National Life Tables	Life Expectancy for Admin Areas of Scotland and Special Areas
Meet your needs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are accurate	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are timely	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Are clearly presented	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Finally, would you like to provide any other comments on these statistics, or provide further details to explain any of your previous answers?

How we communicate with you

These questions ask about the ways in which National Records of Scotland (NRS) communicates with you and the services you use to access information about NRS and its products.

[ScotStat](#) is a network of users and providers of Scottish Official Statistics and you can register [here](#) to get email updates.

Do you receive ScotStat emails about NRS news?

Yes

No

If you answered yes, would you like more regular ScotStat updates? We currently send one for every publication, but would you like more regular updates in order to understand our work better? For example what we are doing on a month to month basis?

We currently engage with our users via [ScotStat](#), various user [committees](#) for example [Population and Migration Statistics Committee \(PAMS\)](#) and [Twitter](#). We also run an biennial user conference. Are there other methods or events you would like us to embrace to better engage with you?

For each publication, we produce a document which provides further details on our data and processes called '[About this publication](#)' (PDF 91 KB). Do you find them useful?

Yes

No

Don't know

Is there additional information we could include in the 'About this publication' to benefit you?

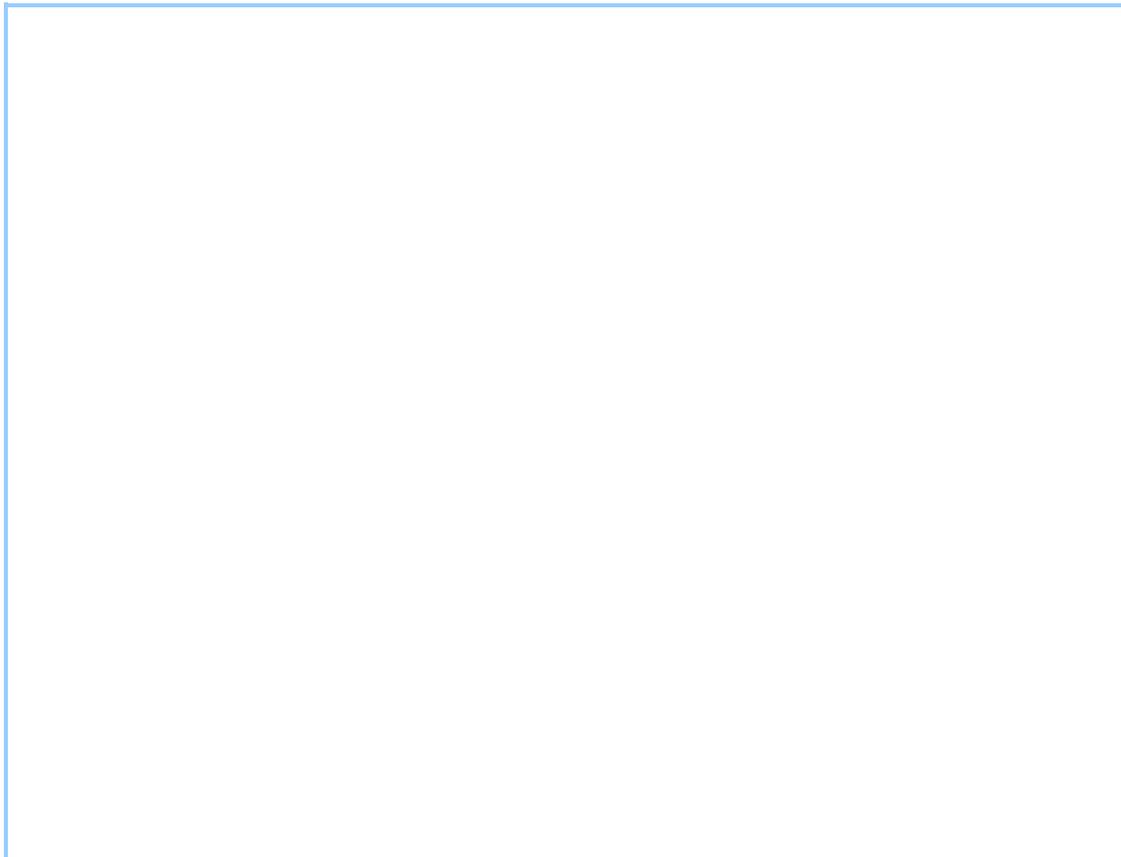
Would you be willing to be contacted for further views on aspects of these publications including the way we release them and the structure of the statistical pages on the NRS website?

Yes

No

Final comments

If you have further comments regarding any other aspects of our work in NRS, please provide details below.



Thank you for completing the consultation

Thank you very much for your participation. The information you provided will be really helpful to us.

The results will be published on the National Records of Scotland website in June 2015.

If you selected to have your response made public, it will be screened before being published to remove any defamatory statements and inappropriate language.

Questions and comments, please contact NRS Customer Services

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