

Respondent Burden for the Annual Electoral Statistics Collection in Scotland - Dec 2010

Number of Responses

An RPF29 form is required for each of the **59** Westminster Parliamentary Constituencies from the 15 Electoral Registration Officers across Scotland

Median time to respond in hours

This varies according to the data processing systems of the local offices. On the basis of discussion with a small number of colleagues in Electoral Registration Offices, it is estimated that each RPF29 return takes a median time of **1.5 hours** to complete. Note that information on Scottish Parliamentary Constituencies is collected over and above the RPF29 collection and this has been factored into this calculation.

Hourly Rate of typical respondent

Varying grades of staff are employed to complete these forms, although the results must be checked and signed off by the responsible Electoral Registration Officer. The estimated median hourly pay rate for employees in Scotland in 2010 was **£11.01**

(See Table 5 (5.5a) in <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/publications/re-reference-tables.html?edition=tcm%3A77-200444>)

Hence the respondent burden for Electoral Statistics data collection in 2010 was

$$59 \times 1.5 \times \text{£}11.01$$

$$= \text{£}974.39$$