

Public consultation on the reporting of migration and population statistics

1. Background

1.1 Currently there are many migration and population outputs produced by different departments across government at varying times, using different definitions, reference periods, and data sources. This is known to create confusion for users who may be unsure of the appropriate statistics to use for their specific purposes, or be unsure of why seemingly related statistics may tell different stories.

1.2 This issue was recognised in the report of the Interdepartmental Task Force on Migration Statistics, published on 15 December 2006, which made the recommendation:

E(1): Key information on migration collected across government should be brought together in one place to achieve coherent reporting. This should be summarised in an Annual Report on Migration Statistics, by the National Statistics Centre for Demography. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one year.

1.3 For reference, a full list of the Task Force recommendations can be found in Annex A.

1.4 After initial discussions in December 2007 between government departments who report on migration statistics, a cross-government migration reporting working group was set up to fulfil this vision. Membership of the migration reporting working group is summarised in Annex B. The group developed and agreed the proposal presented in this consultation document, upon which members of the public are now invited to comment.

1.5 Related to this, ONS has recently completed a review of its current population statistics outputs in which it recommended that the volume "Key Population and Vital Statistics" and the bi-annual volume on the National Population Projections should be stopped from 2009 onwards and the related data disseminated via the web-only. Population Trends would be continued as a paper publication.

1.6 The Border and Immigration Agency is reviewing its control of immigration statistical publications. As this review addresses similar issues, there will be close co-operation with the cross-government migration reporting working group. Further details can be found at:
<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs07/bia-immig-stat-review-07.pdf>

2. The Proposal

2.1 The general proposal for a more coherent approach to migration and population reporting involves

- greater coordination between departments
- joint release of outputs
- provision of a principal point of access to all reports in addition to access to individual reports through each government website, and
- adding value to the outputs in terms of insight, expert analysis and commentary to describe the similarities or differences between the data and why these occur.

2.2 Statisticians in government departments will work together to agree release dates for migration and population statistics. Release dates of first releases that are better aligned will allow more effective briefing that will concentrate on which of the statistics should be used for what purpose and

why. Currently one department's outputs can be seen to be superseded within weeks or days by another department's outputs despite relating to a different reference period or definition. Coordinated release dates will reduce the risk of this happening.

2.3 It is proposed that each set of grouped reports will be accompanied by a high-level commentary to compare and contrast the different data sources, methods, reference periods and definitions. It will also outline key messages and trends in the periodic reports and explain any apparent inconsistencies.

2.4 The frequency of publication will need to reflect the balance between timeliness and the desire to reduce the number of separate releases.

2.5 An annual report on migration, giving an overview of the whole year's migration outputs with in-depth analyses and review, will supplement the periodic reports. This annual volume, which will be published as an online publication only, will include expert commentary and will provide the key message surrounding the migration statistics - for example what the statistics mean, what are the key drivers of migration, what are the underlying trends, and the answers to other research questions.

2.6 There will be a principal point of access on the National Statistics website - an area of the site dedicated to population and migration statistics from which it will be possible to access all of the migration commentary, analyses and links to the published data. This will mean that users can easily find the statistics instead of having to search over many different sites as at present. As statistics will continue to be available through individual government websites, links on these sites will direct users to the population and migration area on the National Statistics website.

2.7 This represents a radical departure from the way in which statistics are currently released. Therefore it is anticipated that the move towards this end will be achieved through a series of managed step changes over time. In 2007, the main migration and population statistics releases were published on over 40 separate dates. As a first step, if publications during 2008 were grouped, the number of publication dates could be halved. Annex C shows an example of how this first step could be achieved. Clearly, over the longer period, the number of publication dates could be reduced further. It is hoped that the long term vision could be met in 2009.

2.8 Within this general proposal there are a number of options for certain aspects. The following sections describe these options.

3. Scope

3.1 Migration statistics feed into a host of statistical outputs ranging from the International Migration First Release through to population estimates and on to any statistic that relates to population numbers or structure (since migration is a driver of population change). There are some statistics that do not appear to be directly related to migration but can lead to speculation on migration levels generating new migration 'stories' and increased confusion for users. There is therefore a range of options as to what outputs are included within this migration and population reporting proposal.

3.2 Annex C identifies current regular outputs relating to migration and population. All or a number of these outputs could potentially be included in the scope of the demographic reports. There will still be secondary analyses of previously released statistics that will be released on an ad hoc basis outside the scope of the grouping e.g. articles for Population Trends.

4. Timing of release of annual reports

4.1 At present, ONS makes a first release of international migration statistics in November each year with more detailed statistics released in the following April in series MN. The implication of the proposal is that this current April release will be put back to May, and include the commentary and analysis as described in section 5. You are invited to consider whether this change of date would cause you difficulties as a user of these migration statistics.

4.2 Additionally, the National Statistician's Demographic Review article was published for the first time in December 2007 and can be found in the Winter edition of Population Trends at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=6303>. This article gives an overview of the latest demographic situation of the UK population and so the content will vary each year. It is not focussed specifically on migration and the proposal is therefore to maintain this as a separate entity.

5. Added value in the form of periodic demographic reports

5.1 It is proposed that, once the initiative is fully implemented, for each set of grouped reports there will be a high-level commentary to compare and contrast the different data sources, methods, reference periods and definitions. It will also outline key messages and trends and explain any apparent inconsistencies. This approach will help explain which data should be used for specific purposes.

5.2 The Annual Migration Report will provide an in-depth analysis of the current picture of migration for the year. It is envisaged that the report will include secondary analysis of migration data together with commentary on key messages and trends. In addition, the report will include a review of current UK migration statistics from an expert committee on Migration Statistics. The Migration Task Force recommended that this expert group was set up to report to the National Statistician and provide an interpretation of migration flows in the UK.

5.3 The breadth and depth of analysis and level of technical detail presented in these reports will depend upon user requirements. Therefore, there are questions relating to this in the consultation questionnaire.

6. Method of publication

6.1 The joint releases and the Annual Migration Report will be published as online publications only. The International Migration Annual Volume has been an online publication since 2002 and a similar approach is proposed from 2009 for Key Population and Vital Statistics and the bi-annual volume on the National Population Projections following a recent ONS publication review.

Annex A

Recommendations of the Interdepartmental Task Force on Migration Statistics

A) Obtain more information about migrants as they enter or leave the country.

Recommendation A(1): A port survey designed to capture a substantially increased sample of migrants (especially emigrants), is essential to provide reliable estimates of population and migration at regional and local levels. To do this, key elements of the e-Borders project need to be brought forward, including passport scanning (starting with arrivals). Improvements to statistics could be delivered in three to five years.

Recommendation A(2): The early provision of more data on controlled migrants, from landing cards, is essential (in particular, duration of stay and destination in the UK). Access to individual level data is needed for linkage to subsequent information about the migrant. To achieve more comprehensive coverage of migrants, a sample of all travellers would need to complete a card on arrival in the UK. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in two to four years.

Recommendation A(3): A full range of migration related information should be collected from the points based information system being developed to manage the flow of migrants coming to the UK to work or study. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in two to three years.

B) Obtain more comprehensive and timely information about migrants living in this country.

Recommendation B(1): Development of a communal establishment component of the Integrated Household Survey should be undertaken and a migration module included in the survey on a regular basis. Suitable survey information collected by local authorities or those covering the employers or agencies providing work for migrants should be used by the National Statistics Centre for Demography to provide a more complete national picture of migrants in the UK. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in three years.

Recommendation B(2): The 2011 Census should include questions that identify short and long term migrants. Improvements to statistics would be delivered in six years time

Recommendation B(3): ONS and devolved administrations should have access to timely administrative information that potentially identifies migrants. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one or two years.

C) Use linkage to obtain better information relating migrants' intentions at entry to the UK to subsequent events, such as employment, having a child and when they leave the country.

Recommendation C(1): The Work and Pensions Longitudinal Study should be used to provide information on patterns of employment, children and benefits among migrants. The potential to identify migration histories should be explored. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one to two years.

Recommendation C(2): ONS and the devolved administrations should continue to have access to the population statistics items, available on individual level health registers, that are needed to estimate migration. It is expected that migration statistics will be based on new NHS IT systems within three years.

Recommendation C(3): Access should be provided to individual level School Census data for statistical purposes, to allow linking with other sources so as to improve the statistics on migrants and their families. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one to two years.

Recommendation C(4): Additional information on student migrants should be collected by HESA and access to individual level data provided for linking with other sources. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in three years.

Recommendation C(5): Barriers to record linkage must be addressed urgently, building on work to improve data sharing across government. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one or two years.

Recommendation C(6): Work should be started on record linkage to improve migration and population statistics. Initially, sample data from entry records and two or more sources should be brought together to establish feasibility, costs and benefits. Improvements to statistics could be delivered within two years.

D) Provision of more timely, robust key indicators of migrant numbers.

Recommendation D(1): Improved use of statistical and demographic models to enhance migration and population estimates should be taken forward over the next two years. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one or two years.

Recommendation D(2): An expert committee on migration statistics should be convened, reporting to the National Statistician to provide an up to date interpretation of current UK migration statistics. The additional contribution it makes should be reviewed after its first year of operation. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one or two years.

E) Bring together all the statistics collected across Government on migration and migrants in a single UK-wide report, as there is currently no single official source.

Recommendation E(1): Key information on migration collected across government should be brought together in one place to achieve coherent reporting. This should be summarised in an Annual Report on Migration Statistics, by the National Statistics Centre for Demography. Improvements to statistics could be delivered in one year.

Annex B

Membership of the Migration Reporting Working Group

Centre for Demography, ONS
Labour Market Division, ONS
Communities and Local Government
Home Office
Department for Work and Pensions
HM Revenue and Customs
Department for Children, Schools and Families
Devolved administrations

Associate members

Department of Health
Communications Division, ONS

Annex C

The table below shows the main outputs currently relating to migration and population, with links to the most recently published statistics provided for information. Following the table is an example of how these might be grouped into more coherent reporting packages for the first year as an initial step.

Output	Link
International Migration First Release (ONS)	www.statistics.gov.uk/pdfdir/emig1107.pdf
International Migration Annual Volume (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/STATBASE/Product.asp?vlnk=507
Estimates of short-term migrants (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/data/methodology/specific/population/future/imps/updates/default.asp
Inter-regional Migration Movements within the UK (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/nscl.asp?id=8239
Internal Migration Estimates (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/nscl.asp?id=8239
National Population Projections (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=4611
Subnational Population Projections (ONS & devolved administrations)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=997
Mid year Population Estimates (ONS & devolved administrations)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=601
Small Area Population Estimates (ONS & devolved administrations)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=601
Quarterly Population Estimates (ONS & devolved administrations)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=601
Population Estimates for other geographies (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=601
Key Population and Vital Statistics (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=539
Population Estimates by Ethnic Group (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=601
Population Turnover Rates (ONS)	http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=15001
Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data	Not yet published

Output	Link
Accession Monitoring Report (HO) including Worker Registration Scheme statistics	http://www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/documents/aboutus/Reports/accesion_monitoring_report/
Control of Immigration (Command Paper) (HO)	http://www.official-documents.gov.uk/document/cm71/7197/7197.pdf
Annual Asylum Statistics (HO)	http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs07/hosb1407.pdf
Quarterly Asylum Statistics (HO)	http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs07/asylumq307.pdf
Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics (HO)	http://www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/documents/aboutus/Reports/bulgarianromanian/
Persons granted British citizenship (HO)	http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs07/hosb0807.pdf
NINo Allocations to Overseas Nationals (DWP)	http://www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd1/niall/nino_allocation.asp

Annex C (continued)

Example of how migration and population publications could be grouped in 2008

Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 1 (February 2008)

To possibly include:

- Quarterly population estimates for England and Wales, Q4 2007
- Inter-regional migration movements within the UK, Year to June 07
- Asylum statistics Q4 2007¹
- Accession monitoring report to end 2007 (A8)¹
- Bulgarian and Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q4 2007¹
- Improving Migration and Population Statistics (IMPS) progress report
- Local Authority (LA) Studies summary report
- Mid-2006 population estimates for wards, National Parks and Parliamentary Constituencies
- Consultation on migration reporting

Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 2 (May 2008)

To possibly include:

- Quarterly Population Estimates for England & Wales, Q1 2008
- Experimental Estimates of Short-Term Migrants, mid-2006
- *International Migration Annual Volume, 2006 (MN no.33)*
- *Key Population & Vital Statistics 2006*
- 2007 Mid-Year Estimates for Scotland
- *Possible report on reconciliation between long and short migration estimates and administrative sources*
- *Possible report on improved timeliness in national level short-term migration estimates*
- Asylum Statistics Q1 2008¹
- Accession Monitoring Report to Mar 2008 (A8)¹
- Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q1 2008¹
- Persons granted British citizenship (HO)¹
- 2005-2006 Middle Layer Super Output Area (MSOA) Population turn-over rates
- Inter-regional migration movements within the UK, Year to Sept 07
- Mid-2006 Lower Layer Super Output Area (LSOA) & MSOA Population Estimates
- IMPS progress report
- Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from Labour Force Survey (LFS) data
- *Possible revised mid-2006 Population Estimates for the very elderly*

Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 3 (June 2008)

To possibly include:

- National Population Projections Volume
- *Marital status estimates*
- *2007 Mid-Year Estimates for Northern Ireland*

Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 4 (August 2008)

Contains flagship publications:

- 2007 Mid-Year Estimates for England & Wales and the UK
- Internal Migration Estimates, mid-2006 to mid-2007

Also to possibly include:

- Provisional mid-2007 Population Estimates for the very elderly

Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 4 (August 2008) (continued)

- Mid-2006 Population Estimates by Ethnic Group
- Control of Immigration 2006 (Command Paper)¹
- Asylum Statistics 2007 Annual Report¹
- Asylum Statistics Q2 2008¹
- Accession Monitoring Report to Jun 2008 (A8)¹
- Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q2 2008¹
- NINo Allocations to Overseas Nationals to Mar 2008 and annual 07/08 stats release
- IMPS progress report
- Mid-2006 Parliamentary Constituencies
- Mid-2006 National Parks Population Estimates
- Mid-2006 Census Area Statistics (CAS) Ward Population Estimates
- Mid-2006 Current Ward Population Estimates
- Quality assessment of sub-national population projections
- Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data

Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 5 (September 2008)

To possibly include:

- Quarterly Population Estimates for England & Wales, Q2 2008
- Mid-2007 Mid-Year Estimates of Private Household Population

Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 6 (November 2008)

To possibly include:

- International Migration First Release, calendar year 2007
- Asylum Statistics Q3 2008¹
- Accession Monitoring Report to Sept 2008 (A8)¹
- Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q3 2008¹
- NINo Allocations to Overseas Nationals to June 2008
- 2007 Mid-Year Population Estimates by Marital Status
- Mid-2007 Population Estimates for the very elderly
- Quarterly Population Estimates for England & Wales, Q3 2008
- Interim Life Tables, 2005-2007
- Inter-regional migration movements within the UK, Year to Mar 08
- IMPS progress report
- Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data

¹ The inclusion of these publications and **their scope** depends on the outcome of the BIA review.

Annex D

Reporting of migration and population statistics - user consultation response template

1 Background

Name	
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Please provide an email address and/or telephone number so that we are able to contact you if we need to clarify any points.

Telephone number	
Email address	

If you are representing a group or organisation, please provide details:

Organisation represented (if applicable) and address

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Type of organisation (this will assist us in monitoring the range of users the consultation has reached).

Please tick one or more boxes.

Central Government Department	
Government Agency	
Local Government	
Higher/further education	
NHS	
Private/commercial organisation	
Independent institution	
Charity	
International organisation	
Media	
Other (please specify below)	

Please answer the following questions as fully as possible to help us develop the proposals for reporting of migration and population statistics.

1.1 Approximately how often do you use migration and population statistics?

Please tick one or more boxes.

Daily	
Weekly	
Monthly	
Quarterly	
Annually	
Less often	

1.2 What is your main use for migration and population statistics?

Please tick one or more boxes.

Gain an overview of UK migration and population	
Inform administration and provision of services	
Understand migration patterns at a local area level	
Policy advice	
Research	
Publication of international statistics	
Media reports	
Other (please specify below)	

1.3 What outputs on migration and population do you currently use?

Please tick relevant boxes

	I currently use
International Migration First Release (ONS)	
International Migration Annual Volume (ONS)	
Estimates of short-term migrants (ONS)	
Inter-regional Migration Movements within the UK (ONS)	
Internal Migration Estimates (ONS)	
National Population Projections (ONS)	
Subnational Population Projections (ONS)	
Mid year Population Estimates (ONS)	
Small Area Population Estimates (ONS)	
Quarterly Population Estimates (ONS)	
Population Estimates for other geographies (ONS)	
Key Population and Vital Statistics (ONS)	
Population Estimates by Ethnic Group (ONS)	
Population Turnover Rates (ONS)	
Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data (ONS)	
Accession Monitoring Report (HO)	
Control of Immigration (Command Paper) (HO)	
Annual Asylum Statistics (HO)	
Quarterly Asylum Statistics (HO)	
Persons granted British citizenship (HO)	
Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics (HO)	
NINo Allocations to Overseas Nationals (DWP)	
Ad-hoc analyses of migration statistics	
Labour Market articles	
Population Trends articles	
Social Trends articles	

Migration Reporting Proposal

The current proposal is to produce grouped releases, an annual migration report and the National Statistician's Demographic Review article. The periodic demographic reports will be supported by a high-

level commentary to compare and contrast the different data sources, methods and reference periods and definitions.

In addition, ONSCD recently undertook a review of current publications which recommended that Key Population and Vital Statistics and the National Population Projections volume would no longer be produced on paper but dissemination of relevant data would be web-based.

1.4. Would the proposed move to web-based dissemination be advantageous to you?

Please tick one box

Advantageous	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disadvantageous	<input type="checkbox"/>
No preference	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 Scope and timing

It is proposed to group outputs into a number of periodic demographic reports throughout the year. An example of how outputs could be grouped is shown on the next page.

2.1 Do you foresee any problems with the grouping and timing of release of these outputs? If yes, please specify.

How migration and population publications might be grouped in 2008.	Do you foresee any problems in the grouping and timing of release of these outputs? If yes, please specify.
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 1 (February 2008) To possibly include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Quarterly population estimates for England and Wales, Q4 2007 · Inter-regional migration movements within the UK, Year to June 07 · Asylum statistics Q4 2007¹ · Accession monitoring report to end 2007 (A8)¹ · Bulgarian and Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q4 2007¹ · Improving Migration and Population Statistics (IMPS) progress report · Local Authority (LA) Studies summary report · Mid-2006 population estimates for wards, National Parks and Parliamentary Constituencies · Consultation on migration reporting 	
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 2 (May 2008) To possibly include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Quarterly Population Estimates for England & Wales, Q1 2008 · Experimental Estimates of Short-Term Migrants, mid-2006 · <i>International Migration Annual Volume, 2006 (MN no.33)</i> · <i>Key Population & Vital Statistics 2006</i> 	

<p>How migration and population publications might be grouped in 2008.</p>	<p>Do you foresee any problems in the grouping and timing of release of these outputs? If yes, please specify.</p>
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 2 (May 2008) (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 2007 Mid-Year Estimates for Scotland · <i>Possible report on reconciliation between long and short migration estimates and administrative sources</i> · <i>Possible report on improved timeliness in national level short-term migration estimates</i> · Asylum Statistics Q1 2008¹ · Accession Monitoring Report to Mar 2008 (A8)¹ · Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q1 2008¹ · Persons granted British citizenship (HO)¹ · 2005-2006 Middle Layer Super Output Area (MSOA) <p>Population turn-over rates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Inter-regional migration movements within the UK, Year to Sept 07 · Mid-2006 Lower Layer Super Output Area (LSOA) & MSOA <p>Population Estimates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · IMPS progress report · Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from Labour Force Survey (LFS) data · <i>possible revised mid-2006 Population Estimates for the very elderly</i> 	
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 3 (June 2008)</p> <p>To possibly include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · National Population Projections Volume · <i>Marital status estimates</i> · <i>2007 Mid-Year Estimates for Northern Ireland</i> 	
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 4 (August 2008)</p> <p>Contains flagship publications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 2007 Mid-Year Estimates for England & Wales and the UK · Internal Migration Estimates, mid-2006 to mid-2007 <p>Also to possibly include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Provisional mid-2007 Population Estimates for the very elderly · Mid-2006 Population Estimates by Ethnic Group · Control of Immigration 2006 (Command Paper)¹ · Asylum Statistics 2007 Annual Report¹ · Asylum Statistics Q2 2008¹ · Accession Monitoring Report to Jun 2008 (A8)¹ · Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q2 2008¹ · NINo Allocations to Overseas Nationals to Mar 2008 and annual 07/08 stats release · IMPS progress report · Mid-2006 Parliamentary Constituencies 	

How migration and population publications might be grouped in 2008.	Do you foresee any problems in the grouping and timing of release of these outputs? If yes, please specify.
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 4 (August 2008) (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mid-2006 National Parks Population Estimates · Mid-2006 Census Area Statistics (CAS) Ward Population Estimates · Mid-2006 Current Ward Population Estimates · Quality assessment of sub-national population projections · Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data 	
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 5 (September 2008)</p> <p>To possibly include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Quarterly Population Estimates for England & Wales, Q2 2008 · Mid-2007 Mid-Year Estimates of Private Household Population 	
<p>Population and Migration Release 2008 vol 6 (November 2008)</p> <p>To possibly include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · International Migration First Release, calendar year 2007 · Asylum Statistics Q3 2008¹ · Accession Monitoring Report to Sept 2008 (A8)¹ · Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics, Q3 2008¹ · NI No Allocations to Overseas Nationals to Jun 2008 · 2007 Mid-Year Population Estimates by Marital Status · Mid-2007 Population Estimates for the very elderly · Quarterly Population Estimates for England & Wales, Q3 2008 · Interim Life Tables, 2005-2007 · Inter-regional migration movements within the UK, Year to Mar 08 · IMPS progress report · Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data 	

¹ The inclusion of these publications and **their scope** depends on the outcome of the BIA review.

2.2 Are there any outputs not mentioned in Question 2.1 that you think would benefit from being included in the periodic reports? Please give details.

3. Commentary and Analysis

3.1 Do you use existing commentary and analysis on migration and population statistics produced by ONS or elsewhere and find it useful? Would you like to see more detail?

Please tick relevant boxes.

	Use commentary and analysis and find it useful.	Use commentary and analysis but would like to see more detail. (please specify in next column)	I would like to see...	Do not use
International Migration First Release (ONS)				
International Migration Annual Volume (ONS)				
Estimates of short-term migrants (ONS)				
Inter-regional Migration Movements within the UK (ONS)				
Internal Migration Estimates (ONS)				
National Population Projections (ONS)				
Subnational Population Projections (ONS)				
Mid year Population Estimates (ONS)				
Small Area Population Estimates (ONS)				
Quarterly Population Estimates (ONS)				
Population Estimates for other geographies (ONS)				
Key Population and Vital Statistics (ONS)				
Population Estimates by Ethnic Group (ONS)				

	Use commentary and analysis and find it useful.	Use commentary and analysis but would like to see more detail. (please specify in next column)	I would like to see...	Do not use
Population Turnover Rates (ONS)				
Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data (ONS)				
Accession Monitoring Report (HO)				
Control of Immigration (Command Paper) (HO)				
Annual Asylum Statistics (HO)				
Quarterly Asylum Statistics (HO)				
Persons granted British citizenship (HO)				
Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics (HO)				
NINo Allocations to Overseas Nationals (DWP)				
Ad-hoc analyses of migration statistics				
Labour Market articles				
Population Trends articles				
Social Trends articles				

4. Annual Report

4.1 It is proposed that the Annual Migration Report would provide an overview of migration statistics with links to tables and detailed papers making comparisons between sources, explaining differences between

these sources and providing a commentary on trends and the impacts of migration and migrant populations on the economy, labour market, society and demography. Do you foresee this as being of benefit to you? If yes, please state how?

4.2 Which sources would you like to see covered in the commentary in the Annual Migration Report?

Please tick boxes

	Would like to see covered in the Annual Migration Report.	Please specify any particular tabulations or analyses you would like to see.
International Migration First Release (ONS)		
International Migration Annual Volume (ONS)		
Estimates of short-term migrants (ONS)		
Inter-regional Migration Movements within the UK (ONS)		
Internal Migration Estimates (ONS)		
National Population Projections (ONS)		
Subnational Population Projections (ONS)		
Mid year Population Estimates (ONS)		
Small Area Population Estimates (ONS)		
Quarterly Population Estimates (ONS)		
Population Estimates for other geographies (ONS)		
Key Population and Vital Statistics (ONS)		

	Would like to see covered in the Annual Migration Report.	Please specify any particular tabulations or analyses you would like to see.
Population Estimates by Ethnic Group (ONS)		
Population Turnover Rates (ONS)		
Figures on Foreign Nationals in employment from LFS data (ONS)		
Accession Monitoring Report (HO) (including Worker Registration Scheme statistics)		
Control of Immigration (Command Paper) (HO)		
Annual Asylum Statistics (HO)		
Quarterly Asylum Statistics (HO)		
Persons granted British citizenship (HO)		
Bulgarian & Romanian (A2) Accession Statistics (HO)		
NINo Allocations to Overseas Nationals (DWP)		
Ad-hoc analyses of migration statistics		
Labour Market articles		
Population Trends articles		
Social Trends articles		
<i>Other sources that might show the state of migration include:</i>		
Work Permits		
School Census data on new admissions		

	Would like to see covered in the Annual Migration Report.	Please specify any particular tabulations or analyses you would like to see.
Gangmaster data		
New GP registrations from overseas (flag 4s)		

4.3 Are there any other sources that you would like to see included in the commentary in the Annual Migration Report? If yes, please specify below.

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4.4 What type of analyses or commentary would you find useful in the Annual Migration Report? Is there additional information that ought to be included?

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4.5 Should the Annual Migration Report be combined with one of the periodic reports, i.e. a number of standard periodic reports and one expanded periodic report that also includes the annual analysis content?

Please tick one box

Yes, have a number of periodic reports, one of which includes annual analysis content	<input type="checkbox"/>
No, have periodic reports and a separate Annual Migration Report	<input type="checkbox"/>
No preference	<input type="checkbox"/>

4.6 When would be the most appropriate time for the Annual Migration Report to be published? Publication could coincide with the Mid-Year Population Estimates for England and Wales or the International Migration First Release.

Please tick one box

To coincide with the Mid-Year Population Estimates for England and Wales	<input type="checkbox"/>
To coincide with the International Migration First Release	<input type="checkbox"/>

No preference	
Other time (please specify below)	

5 Dissemination

5.1 It is proposed that the periodic and annual reports will be available on the National Statistics website with links to the reports from contributing government websites. The Annual Migration Report will not be published as a paper copy. Please provide any comments on whether this approach will meet your needs.

6 General

6.1 Do you have any other comments on the proposals for public reporting of migration statistics?

6.2 Are you content for your response to be made public on request?

Please tick one box

Yes, I am content for my response to be made public on request.	
No, I want my response to remain confidential	

We look forward to hearing from you. Please return the completed response by 27th May 2008 to:

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