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**Q1 - What are your views of the different census approaches described in the consultation document?**

Online methods will miss all those who do not use a computer, mainly the disadvantaged  
Administrative data is notoriously unreliable

**Q2 - Please specify any significant uses of population and housing statistics that we have not already identified.**

**Q3 - Please specify any significant additional benefits of population and housing statistics that we have not already identified.**

**Q4 - What would the impact be if the most detailed statistics for very small geographic areas and small population groups were no longer available? High, medium, low or no impact?**

Medium

**If medium or high, please give further information.**

Even in the same urban areas district heterogeneity exists and should be documented if proper service planning of many kinds is to be undertaken

**Q5 - What would the additional benefit be if more frequent (i.e. annual) statistics about population characteristics were available for areas like local authorities and electoral wards? High, medium, low or no additional benefit?**

Low

**If medium or high please give further information.**

**Q6 - Please specify any significant uses of census information for historical research that we have not already identified.**

**Q7 - What advantages or disadvantages for genealogical or historical research can you see from a move to a solution based on archiving administrative data sources?**

none as such data sources themselves are unreliable and not to be compared with the first hand data collected in our usual census method.

**Q8 - What are your views of the risks of each census approach and how they might be managed?**

On line collection not only misses those people who are not on line(Convenient for politicians who do not want to know about such people) but when computer systems fail this method would be vulnerable. Administrative data is second hand and I dread to think of the bias and other problems it would bring, aside from its own inherent errors.

**Q9 - Are there any other issues that you believe we should be taking into account?**

The need for politicians to avoid being able to compare trustworthy data collected by independent people over the course of many years.