

**DRAFT USER SURVEY FOR DISCUSSION:
OFFICIAL HOUSEHOLD ESTIMATES & PROJECTIONS¹**

Contact Name: _____

Authority/Organisation: _____

Telephone/E-mail: _____

1. Does your authority/organisation use?

- a) Official Household Estimates Y/N
- b) Official Household Projections Y/N
- c) Alternative Household Estimates Y/N
- d) Alternative Household Projections Y/N

2. Please indicate uses made of household estimates/projections from the following:
(Tick all that apply)

- (√)
- a) Assessments of Strategic Housing Requirements _____
- b) Assessments of Local Housing Requirements _____
- c) Assessments of Special Housing Needs _____
(e.g. Sheltered, Amenity & Medium Dependency)
- d) Provision of Educational Services _____
- e) Provision of Health Services _____
- f) Provision of Social Services _____
- g) Provision of Leisure or Cultural Facilities _____
- h) Transport/Communications Planning _____
- i) Water/Sewage Facilities Planning _____
- j) Other _____

Please state other _____

3. Please indicate published outputs which rely on official household estimates/projections:
(Tick all that apply)

- (√)
- a) Statutory Housing Plan _____
- b) Local Development Plans _____
- c) Structure Plan _____
- d) Local Housing System Analysis (Scottish Homes) _____
- e) Other Plans/Strategy Documents _____
- f) Other _____

Please state other _____

¹ Official household estimates and projections are produced by the Scottish Executive Development Department's Economic Advice and Statistics Unit.

4. Please indicate other uses to which the data is put:
(Tick all that apply)

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| | (√) |
| a) Contextual/Background Information | _____ |
| b) "In House" Research | _____ |
| c) Policy Guidance | _____ |
| d) General Enquiries | _____ |
| e) Other | _____ |

Please state other _____

5. Does your authority/organisation undertake any more detailed household analyses using the official data as baseline e.g. sub-Council area estimates or projections?

Y/N

Please give examples _____

6. Does your authority/organisation currently undertake its own household estimates/projections using its own methodology?

Y/N

7. Does your authority/organisation currently use household estimates/projections provided by an external agency (other than the Scottish Executive)?

Y/N

If so, please indicate why you don't use official figures e.g. timing, detail, geography etc

8. How do you rate the current timetable for the delivery of official household estimates and projections?

- | | Estimates | Projections |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | (√) | (√) |
| a) Excellent | _____ | _____ |
| b) Good | _____ | _____ |
| c) Fair | _____ | _____ |
| d) Unsatisfactory | _____ | _____ |

9. How do you rate the consultation process for official household estimates?

	Estimates (√)
a) Worthwhile	_____
b) Not worthwhile	_____
c) Not consulted	_____

10. How do you rate the following aspects of the official figures?

	Base Year (√)	Projection Years (√)	Household Categories (√)	Available Geography (√)
a) Very useful	_____	_____	_____	_____
b) Useful	_____	_____	_____	_____
c) Limited use	_____	_____	_____	_____
d) Not useful	_____	_____	_____	_____

11. If you answered c) limited use or d) not useful to any of the above, please indicate the improvements you would like to see:

Base Year _____
Projection Years _____
Household Categories _____
Available Geography _____

12. Please add any other relevant comments:

Please return by:

E-mail to: XXXXXXXXXXXXX

Or

FAX to: XXXXXXXXXXXXX

Or

Post to: XXXXXXXXXXXXX