

## Statistics Wales Quarterly Update

June 2018

This is the latest in a series of quarterly updates for users of Welsh statistics on our latest developments, consultations and plans.

A full list of our most recent publications can be found [on our publication calendar](#)

### Social Justice and Equality

#### Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation (WIMD)

We are busy with development work for WIMD 2019, convening groups of experts, stakeholders and users, and talking about the work at various forums, including WSLC. The next milestone will be a public consultation in the autumn.

Because of this work and various data issues, we will not be publishing any further indicator updates in 2018. You can find more detail [on our website](#) about this.

#### Households below Average Income (HBAI)

DWP updated their HBAI series in March 2018, and we published the [key figures for Wales](#). We are starting work on more [in-depth tables and analysis](#) on the Welsh poverty data. If you have feedback or ideas for new analysis that might be useful, now is the time to let us know.

Send your feedback to us, or ask for further information [here](#).

### Population and Health

#### Social Services statistics

The final outputs from the new social services data collections under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act have been published. These can be found on our website and StatsWales. All publications can be found [here](#)

The Office for National Statistics has also published [avoidable mortality](#) statistics for 2016.

The ONS have [published an update](#) on the work of the cross-government migration statistics transformation programme.

For further information please [contact us](#)

### Well-being of Wales

Following the publication of the [first statutory Well-being of Wales Report 2016-17](#), we have carried out a user survey on the report and are currently analysing the results. We plan to publish a summary of the main findings from the survey in the next few months.

We have continued updating the indicators as new data becomes available. Since the September publication, the indicators we have listed on the website as 4,7,12,16,17,18,21 and 31 have been updated. The indicator we have numbered 13 has been revised.

The second Well-being of Wales Report is scheduled to be published in September 2018.

### Transport

#### Publications:

We have published releases on a range of topics in recent months. We will shortly be publishing a revision to the Statistical Article on Vehicle Speeds on Welsh motorways and are working on a similar article for the A55.

#### Stats Wales

Recent additions to Stats Wales datasets are [road freight](#) and provisional [quarterly road accident statistics](#). We've also added [accident level road accident data](#) (with a series of non sensitive variables). Updates have also been provided to the [road traffic](#), [motoring offenders](#), [sea transport](#), [public service vehicles](#) and [rail transport](#) datasets.

## Economy and Labour Market

### Regional Economic and labour market profiles

The latest regional economic and labour market profiles were published on the 26 April 2018 – The GVA tables have been updated to include local authority data and the rest of the release has been streamlined to make the information more accessible.

### Gross Value Added (GVA)

GVA data for 2016 was published in December 2017 - The ONS have produced a single estimate of GVA known as the balanced (GVA (B)) approach, using the strengths of both the income (GVA (I)) and production (GVA (P)) approaches. These estimates are currently classed as experimental statistics, but are now the ONS official GVA approach.

## Environment & Housing

### Welsh Housing Conditions Survey 2017-18 (WHCS)

Fieldwork was completed at the end of April with 2,550 full surveys achieved, 50 above the desired 2,500. This is a great achievement given that in January we were 2/3 way through fieldwork and only had 1/2 required inspections. First results will be available in November 2018, with updated fuel poverty estimates by the end of 2018. A short questionnaire was sent to stakeholders and users to inform how best to disseminate the data. This will be analysed alongside discussions with policy colleagues. A summary of this work and our plans for dissemination will be published on our web page in the coming months. We will be speaking to Fuel Poverty users specifically over the summer regarding the dissemination of the updated figures.

### Housing Stock Analytical Resource for Wales (HSAR)

The focus for the first half of 2018 has been to build a proof of concept product that links together datasets obtained so far, iron out some technical aspects of linking and storing data and consider options for enabling external users to access HSAR. A HSAR progress report will be published in the coming months and an application made to the National Statistician's Data Ethics Committee for ethical approval of HSAR.

### Housing Statistical Outputs

We have temporarily removed social housing rent arrears data from our website due to concerns that the data provided by some social landlords may be inconsistent. We are currently working with data providers to understand these inconsistencies, and to collect revised, consistent data.

### Cross-Government work on Housing

The Chief Statistician recently [published a blog](#) outlining work that is underway to consider how we can improve housing statistics across the UK to deliver an improved evidence base.

### Trial Agricultural Statistics added to StatsWales

In August 2017 some data on [agriculture statistics](#) was added to StatsWales for the first time. The data relates to estimates for 2014 but the main aim is to test to what extent this sort of release of data is valuable to users. We seek feedback on the details of which breakdowns are shown and the categories within them.

## National Survey

### 2016-17 results and analysis:

On 28 June 2017, we published the [first release](#) from the 2016-17 survey, which was accompanied by tables and charts in our [excel results viewer](#). After this, we published a series of topic specific outputs based on the 2016-17 results: Since the last update, we published bulletins on the following topics.

- [Further analysis of mental well-being](#)
- [Hearing and eye care](#)
- [Emergency ambulance service](#)
- [GP Services](#)
- [Poverty](#)
- [Hospital services](#)
- [Education](#)

The full list of previously published and planned future bulletins can be found on the [National Survey website](#)

**National Survey – 2017-18:** Fieldwork is now complete; the first results will be published on 20th June 2018.

**National Survey – 2018-19:** The fieldwork period began in April and the [topics](#) included are available on our website.

**National Survey – 2019-20:** We are currently developing the 2019-20 questionnaire. The questions that have already been agreed for inclusion can be viewed on our [question viewer](#). More information can be found on the [National Survey website](#) or [contact us](#).

## Education

### The following outputs have been published since the last update:

- [Final examination results 2018](#)
- [Achievement and entitlement to free school meals](#)
- [Achievement and pupil characteristics](#)
- [Absenteeism from school and pupil characteristics](#)

[My Local School](#) was updated on 31 January to include final KS4 results, attendance and school categorisation.

The [consultation](#) on changes to regulations governing the publication of teacher assessment results closed on 30 January 2018 and responses to the consultation were [published](#) in May. These changes will have implications for the publication of official statistics. However all data will continue to be collected and analysis will continue to be available upon request.

Further education, work-based learning and adult community learning. Statistical Releases and Statswales data with regard to learner trends, and outcomes for academic year 2016/17 were published in February 2018.

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