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(by email)

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Dear Mike

The Annual Population Survey

Thank you for your letter updating us on your work to stabilise the ongoing collection of the LFS and APS. We welcome your plans for engaging with users to make a more in-depth assessment of the quality of the APS. Given the important use of these APS statistics, ONS must ensure that its analysis of the quality of APS-derived statistics is sufficient to enable the Scottish Government and Welsh Government, and other producers of APS-derived statistics, to reach a view on the quality of their APS-derived statistics.

Our Labour Market and Welfare domain team will continue to engage with your team on this matter. I am copying this letter to Rachel Skentelbery, Deputy Head of Profession for Statistics at ONS. Due to the Scottish Government's and Welsh Government's extensive use of APS outputs, I am also copying this letter to Alastair McAlpine, the Chief Statistician of Scotland and Stephanie Howarth, the Chief Statistician of Wales.

Yours sincerely



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