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The GLA's Census Team

The Census Team, after the recent recruitment, is now fully staffed by Eileen Howes, Bill Armstrong, Giorgio Finella and Gareth Piggott. Census queries may be directed at any member of the team.

The SASPAC Team has also grown, in number that is, with the appointment of Alan Lewis to assist Hywel Davies.

Contact details are at the back of this Census Information Note.

Availability of 2001 Census data

Standard Tables at borough level

The Standard Tables were published on 7th May along with the National Report. The first format we received was Supertable, which proved difficult, initially, as many of you will know. This was used to produce spreadsheets which were put on the extranet on 9th May for all registered users to download. A small number of the expected tables were not included in either the National Report or in the bulk distribution of data and they were mainly tables which included data on migrants or workers. These are taking longer than anticipated to code by ONS and will be available in a Supplementary Report due to be published in early autumn (no definite date yet). A list of the tables to be included in the Supplementary Report is included in Appendix 1.

We received csv files of the Standard Tables on 8th May for conversion into SASPAC format. There was a lot of work involved in the conversion, but it has been successfully completed and the SASPAC system files were sent to all members of the consortium on 23rd May. The version of SASPAC that was sent with the system files is an interim version which reads the 2001 files but does not yet include the searching facilities that version 6.5 will have and does not read 1991 Census files created in earlier versions of SASPAC. It is, though, extremely useful for printing tables and extracting data for particular cells if users can bear to type in all the cell numbers. See the section below on SASPAC for more details.

Key Statistics at borough level

Key Statistics from the 2001 Census were published on 13th February. These consist of 25 univariate tables. They were received on 13th February and spreadsheet versions of them were placed on the extranet on the same day. A SASPAC system file for the Key Statistics was also produced and has been circulated to all members of the consortium.

Key Statistics for wards and output areas

The Key Statistics for wards and output areas are due to be published on 30th June. The plan for this data is to create the SASPAC system files very quickly - they *should* work with the same programs used for the creating the system files for Key Statistics at borough/district level. The ward level Key Statistics may be put on the extranet as spreadsheets, but as there are at least 625 wards in London (depending upon how many wards in the City of London are included) the size of the files may mean we cannot put them on the extranet. If this proves to be the case we will send them to each member of the consortium separately, by e-mail or post depending upon the size of the files. Meanwhile some users may receive the Supertable CD

from ONS and use it successfully for a short time.

The Key Statistics files for output areas will definitely be too big to go on the extranet, so we do not plan to try. This is because there are more than 24,000 output areas in London, see Appendix 2 for the actual numbers. If there is a demand, then we will create borough or district level spreadsheets and send them to each borough/district while we are waiting for the SASPAC system files. Please let us know if you want this.

ONS timetable for output

The timetable for output has been revised several times on the ONS website. The latest versions (or our own best guesses at them) of some of the key dates are listed below.

Key Statistics for wards - 30th June 2003

Key Statistics for output areas - 30th June 2003

Standard Tables for wards - July/August 2003

Census Area Statistics for output areas - July/August 2003

Key Statistics for health authorities - July 2003

Standard Tables for health authorities - August/September 2003

Census Area Statistics for health authorities - July/August 2003

UK Parliamentary Constituency Report (containing Profiles, Key Statistics and Census Area Statistics) - August/September 2003

Key Statistics for postcode sectors - September/October 2003

Key Statistics for parishes - October 2003

Supplementary Report to the National Report (ie tables missing from the Standard Tables published on 7th May) - 'early autumn'

Special workplace statistics - target date October 2003

Special migration statistics - target date October 2003

Commissioned tables - probably November 2003

There are gaps in this timetable as it is intended to indicate the timescale rather than give exact dates for most things. Further details will be included, as they become available, in later Census Information Notes.

Output area boundaries

Output area boundaries have been circulated to all members of the consortium. A national file in Shape format was received from ONS and converted by Bill Armstrong into both MapInfo and SASPAC format on the day they were received. These were then split into borough/district level files and e-mailed to the main Census Contact in each organisation. Appendix 2 contains a list of numbers of EDs in 1991 and output areas in 2001.

There has been a mixed response to the boundaries, with some people concerned about the level of accuracy and some about tidying them up to go down road centres and the like. A number of comments have sent to ONS.

Commissioned tables

The service for commissioning tables should be available from sometime later this year, probably around November. ONS are currently involved in the production of commissioned tables for the Multi Source Topic Reports that they are publishing. Tables produced for these reports will be made available to others at no charge. We do not yet have a list of these tables or the geographical levels for which they will be produced. We have asked for a list, and have been assured that one is available, so when we get it we will circulate it.

We have attended a meeting with ONS Labour Market Analysis people, which was arranged at the suggestion of the CLIP Labour Market Sub Group, to discuss commissioning of various labour market tables. The aim is for this group to produce a list of tables that they agree are needed and to get ONS Labour Market Division to commission them. They do not have to pay so these tables will then be freely available and we can spend our budget on something else.

We hope to arrange a meeting with the Home Office on commissioning tables by ethnicity and religion, but the Home Office would not get them free so we will have to pay for those. We will discuss any common data requirements and investigate the possibility of sharing costs.

A number of people have sent us details of tables they would like us to commission. An initial list of tables to be commissioned from the 2001 Census will be circulated prior to the Census Users' Group Meeting to be held on 26th June and will be included in the next Census Information Note. If anyone has a list of tables they want to commission please send it to Eileen Howes as soon as possible. This initial list will not be the last - we will continue to commission data for some time, but the sooner we send a list to ONS the sooner we will get the data.

Other issues to consider for commissioned tables include the geographical levels for which we want the data. The lower the geographical level we ask for the less detail we will get as issues of confidentiality arise. So please bear this in mind when asking for tables.

Extranet

The GLA's extranet is available to all registered users. Registration forms were issued at an earlier Census Users' Group Meeting and included in the last Census Information Note, and all those who filled in the forms should have received a letter or e-mail confirming their user id and password. If anyone has not received this confirmation please contact Michael Minors. Anyone else who wants access to the extranet should complete the form on the last page of this Census Information Note and return it to Michael Minors, Data Management and Analysis, 5th Floor, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London SE1 2AA.

SASPAC

ONS released a large amount of data from the Standard Tables, Standard Theme Tables, and Univariate Tables for local authorities and other higher areas on May 7. As this was in a format that had previously been discussed with ONS, it was a comparatively mechanical task (but tedious and time-consuming) to convert these to SASPAC System Files - although there were a

few minor issues (with such a huge amount of data it would have been amazing if everything had been perfect).

However, as this was the first confirmation of table layouts and contents, it was the first opportunity we have had to check our previously prepared Framework Files for building into SASPAC. This has taken a considerable time, but now the task is done, and we have SASPAC System Files that we have confidence in and which are now suitable for distribution. BUT, the software is not yet fully prepared as the Framework Files have to be added in, along with further minor tweaking, and so the full facilities associated with searching cannot yet be used.

In the interim, we have developed version 6.21, which does allow access to all the current data, subject to certain conditions, but does not allow on-screen selection of variables, tables, or areas. Basically, the user has to manually enter the applicable codes.

Currently the software developers are adding the search facilities to the software with a view to having version 6.5 of the software available by early July. This version will allow searching of the Key Statistics, and the Standard, Univariate, and Standard Theme Tables, as we currently know them. It will be made available along with the Key Statistics for wards and OAs that are due for delivery by ONS as CSV files on 30 June 2003.

Following this release, the Standard Tables for wards will be released by ONS sometime after mid-July, and these will be converted to SASPAC System Files for delivery to SASPAC users. Finally, at the end of August, we anticipate receiving the Census Area Statistics for output areas. This will be our first chance to check the Framework Files we have already created for this dataset. When this checking is complete, the CAS searching facilities will be added to SASPAC, and a further release (Version 7) should then appear towards the end of September.

Training

SASPAC and Census training sessions are run by Bill Armstrong and are available to all members of the consortium. A new series of training sessions will be held at City Hall starting on 10th September 2003. Data from the 2001 Census will be interrogated at local authority, ward and output area levels at the sessions. After these, the next series of training will probably start on 17th November when it is hoped that the 2001 Census Special Workplace Statistics (SWS) and Special Migration Statistics (SMS) will be available.

All bookings should be made through Bill Armstrong. He will circulate the details for each session when he is starting to take bookings. If you do not hear from him directly at that time please contact him via e-mail. If more than 2 people from an authority want to attend we expect the main Census Contact in that authority to determine which 2 should attend.

Census Analysis

Plans are being made for a wide range of analyses of the 2001 Census data and some initial suggestions are included here. The topics for inclusion will be discussed in more detail at the Census Users' Group meeting on 26th June. Many of the analyses suggested here are likely to be published in the form of DMAG Briefings. There will also be a series of longer reports. All will be published electronically as well as in printed form.

We have planned a number of initial briefings in advance so that they can be made available quickly and will complement these with a series of more detailed briefings and longer reports, which will be based on data published later in the schedule and which will take longer to produce. These will be produced alongside various analyses that the GLA may produce for its own purposes. We hope that all the varying demands will be covered, in part, by the series we are planning. We also aim to provide relevant data to anyone else who wishes to do their own analysis. Initial discussions have been held but any suggestions are very welcome. Please tell us what topics you are interested in.

Briefings published so far:

DMAG Briefing 2002/5 2001 Census: First results and implications for the London Plan, John Hollis, 30 September 2002

DMAG Briefing 2002/6 2001 Census: First population statistics, Eileen Howes, October 2002

DMAG Briefing 2002/8 2001 Census: First population statistics - *London Plan Sub Regions*, Eileen Howes, October 2002

DMAG Briefing 2002/9 Census Information Note 2002-1, Eileen Howes, October 2002

DMAG Briefing 2002/12 Census Information Note 2002-2, 2001 Census: response rates, Rachel Leeser, November 2002

DMAG Briefing 2003/5 Census Information Note 2003-1, Eileen Howes, January 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/7, 2001 Census Key Statistics: Initial summary of results, Eileen Howes, February 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/8, 2001 Census Key Statistics: Household Variables, John Hollis, February 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/10, Household Forecasts based on 2001 Census Key Statistics, John Hollis, March 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/11, 2001 Census: Copyright and Licensing for Census users, Rachel Leeser and Hywel Davies, March 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/13, 2001 Census Key Statistics: Means of travel to work, Eileen Howes, March 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/14, 2001 Census Key Statistics: People, Families, Households, Rachel Leeser, May 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/15 Census Information Note 2003-2, Eileen Howes, June 2003

DMAG Briefing 2003/16 2001 Census Key Statistics: Health indicators, Gareth Piggott

Berkshire Census Briefing 2003-1, 2001 Census: First population statistics, Eileen Howes, March 2003

Berkshire Census Briefing 2003-2, 2001 Census Key Statistics: Initial summary of results, Eileen Howes, February 03

Berkshire Census Briefing 2003-3, 2001 Census Key Statistics: Household Variables, John Hollis, March 2003

Berkshire Census Briefing 2003-4, 2001 Census Response in Berkshire, Rachel Leeser, February 2003

Berkshire Census Briefing 2003-5, 2001 Census Key Statistics: Health indicators for Berkshire Gareth Piggott

Briefings currently being written:

2001 Census Key Statistics: Means of travel to work for Berkshire (Giorgio Finella)
2001 Census Key Statistics: People, families and households for Berkshire (Giorgio Finella)
2001 Census Key Statistics: Cultural variables (Eileen Howes)
2001 Census Key Statistics: Cultural variables for Berkshire (Eileen Howes)
2001 Census Key Statistics: Housing summary (Eileen Howes)
2001 Census Key Statistics: Housing summary for Berkshire (Eileen Howes)

2001 Census Standard Tables: Educational attainment (Gareth Piggott)

2001 Census Standard Tables: Ethnicity (Marian Storkey)

Briefings/reports planned

2001 Census: Housing (Eileen Howes)
2001 Census Profiles of ethnic/other groups -
 Irish (for a GLA event in September)
 Bangladeshi (for a GLA event in September)
 Muslims and other religious groups
 Others as time allow and as they are needed

A Ward Atlas of London - similar to the one published by the London Research Centre based on the 1991 Census (Bill Armstrong)

London's Workers - update of the report with the same title published by the LRC (Eileen Howes)

2001 Census: labour market data, - on economic activity, unemployment, full-time and part-time working, self-employment, hours worked, industry, occupation, NS-SEC, means of travel to work etc

Suggested topics for future briefings:

Migration - John Hollis
1991/2001 comparability on a range of issues
Health issues
Households and work
Means of travel to work and car ownership
Economic activity of residents
Employment - NS-SEC, Social grade/occupation/industry
Unemployment
Children (0-4,5-13,14-18)
Older people
Working age people
Household deprivation classifications
Students
Communal establishments
Working at home
Overseas migration
Religion
More on household variables - step-children, families, relationship within household

Technical briefings planned

Licensing and copyright, dissemination, click-use license

Definitions, rounding, One Number Census, response rates for individual questions, (as soon as we have enough information on response rates)

These are just our initial thoughts. Any comments and suggestions would be welcome. This timetable will be developed further when the timetable for release of data and the demand for particular topics become clearer. Contact Eileen Howes for more details or if you have any suggested topics.

Census Users' Group Meetings

The next meeting is being held at 2pm on Thursday 26 June in Committee Room 5 at City Hall. This meeting will discuss both commissioned tables and analysis. The minutes of the last two meetings, held on 18 February 2003 and 10 April 2003, are in Appendix 3.

E-mail addresses of main Census Contacts

Appendix 4 gives the name and e-mail address of the main Census Contact in each borough and other relevant organisation. Please check that we have the right person listed and that the e-mail address is correct. We also have a wider circulation list for the Census Information Notes, so if you know of anyone else in your authority who would like to receive them please let us have their e-mail address.

Appendix 1

List of tables in Supplementary Report to the National Report

ST008	Type of residency and sex and age by migration (people)
ST009	Age of Household Reference Person (HRP) and number of dependent children by migration of households
ST010	Household composition by migration of households
ST048	Dwelling type and accommodation type by household space type
ST120	Sex and age by distance travelled to work
ST121	Sex and distance travelled to work by method of travel to work
ST129	Sex and distance travelled to work by method of travel to work (workplace population)
ST130	Sex and industry by distance travelled to work (workplace population)
ST131	Sex and industry by highest level of qualification (workplace population)
ST132	Sex and industry by occupation (workplace population)
ST134	Sex and knowledge of Welsh and age by migration within Wales
ST135	Migration of Welsh speaking households within Wales by age of HRP and presence of dependent children
ST146	Sex and ability to speak Welsh and age by migration within Wales
TT010	Theme table on resident, workplace and daytime population
TT011	Theme table on travel to work
TT033	Theme table on migration (people)
TT034	Theme table on migration (households)

The number of Enumeration Districts (1991) and Output Areas (2001) in London
EDs excluding specials

	specials 1991	Special EDs 1991	Total EDs 1991	OAs 2001
City of London	101	6	107	36
Barking and Dagenham	377	3	380	539
Barnet	649	15	664	1,015
Bexley	439	2	441	719
Brent	578	6	584	800
Bromley	601	9	610	1,010
Camden	540	91	631	734
Croydon	626	12	638	1,112
Ealing	602	3	605	944
Enfield	560	6	566	883
Greenwich	433	17	450	744
Hackney	431	10	441	690
Hammersmith and Fulham	411	11	422	605
Haringey	522	9	531	737
Harrow	362	3	365	633
Havering	436	3	439	739
Hillingdon	442	25	467	772
Hounslow	430	12	442	672
Islington	411	22	433	657
Kensington and Chelsea	509	81	590	633
Kingston upon Thames	272	7	279	491
Lambeth	617	21	638	946
Lewisham	493	13	506	860
Merton	335	4	339	631
Newham	456	4	460	734
Redbridge	468	6	474	740
Richmond upon Thames	355	10	365	608
Southwark	475	14	489	846
Sutton	347	5	352	610
Tower Hamlets	345	19	364	627
Waltham Forest	465	7	472	719
Wandsworth	657	26	683	925
Westminster	621	177	798	729
London	15,366	659	16,025	24,140
Bracknell Forest UA	171	8	179	349
West Berkshire UA (Newbury in 1991)	295	11	306	467
Reading UA	248	18	266	463
Slough UA	209	4	213	361
Windsor and Maidenhead UA	272	15	287	444
Wokingham UA	276	13	289	467
Berkshire	1,471	69	1,540	2,551
England and Wales	109,546	3,516	113,062	175,432

Source: ONS

Appendix 3

Minutes of the Census Users Group meeting held on 18 February 2003

Item 1 Minutes of the meeting held on 4th December 2002

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th December 2002 were accepted.

Matters Arising

No progress has been made on the issue of workplace Output Areas.

More boroughs have joined the consortium to purchase Paycheck data, bringing the cost down to £512. Any more boroughs wishing to join the consortium would be included at this cost.

Eileen Howes will send out copies of the licence to those boroughs in the consortium.

Item 2 2001 Census Key Statistics

The 2001 Census Key Statistics for local authorities were released on 13 February. After preliminary checks, these were circulated to Census contacts in Excel format. They were available in some formats - Excel and .pdf on the ONS website, but some of these files were incorrect. The CSV files supplied for inputting to create SASPAC system files were also incorrect, so additional work is being carried out to resolve this. SuperTable versions of the data are to come at a later date. Profiles for local authorities were available on the ONS website, as were rankings on a range of variables. These were welcomed and had been found useful.

There were some queries about what had happened to the planned tables giving all the SSA variables. It was not clear whether all the variables were included elsewhere within the Key Statistics. Eileen Howes agreed to follow this up with the LGA/ALG.

Item 3 1991 comparisons - SASPAC cell identifiers

GLA have been working on producing a SASPAC command file to extract 'best-fit' 1991 Census variables to compare with the 2001 Key Statistics. Once this has been checked, the file will be circulated by e-mail to Census contacts. Some printed versions were available for those who wished to check them over. The comparisons are based on Small Area Statistics variables so that they can be used with the approximated data calculated for the new borough and ward boundaries. These SAS files had been distributed previously, but users needing copies should contact Bill Armstrong. In some cases, SAS variables are not available, for example where there was a new question, but also where the categories were different such as economic position for people aged 16-74. Caution is needed in carrying out any comparisons between 1991 and 2001 Census data due to difference in definitions and categories. For example, the definition of dependent child has changed slightly, and the categories used for ethnic group are different.

Items 4 2001 Census output timetable

A new timetable is now published as part of the Census 2001 Output Prospectus on the ONS website. This shows that the timetable for the release of the bulk of the remaining data has been compressed, with most data on the statutory boundaries now expected in April or May. The Key Statistics for wards and Output Areas are due in April, as well as the Standard Tables for local authorities. The Standard Tables for wards are due in April/May and the Census Area Statistics for Output Areas are due in May.

Item 5 DMAG Briefing - 2001 Census household variables

John Hollis outlined some of the main findings from a briefing he had produced dealing with

the private/communal populations, basic household composition and household spaces data from the Key Statistics.

Item 6 Other DMAG briefings

An initial summary of results was circulated on 13th February. Further briefings are planned based on the Key Statistics dealing with Housing, Labour Market and more detailed household analysis. All of these will include some comparisons with 1991 data. Baljit Bains presented some of the findings from a forthcoming briefing dealing with the 'cultural' variables - religion, ethnic group and country of birth. The London Health Observatory (LHO) plan to produce their own briefings dealing with ethnicity issues and health data from the Census, which will also be made available through the GLA Census extranet. Others producing analyses were asked to send copies to the GLA, indicating whether these (or links to them) could be added to the Census extranet. Census users agreed that this series of briefings would cover the immediate needs, but requested a list of more detailed research planned to avoid duplication of effort. Eileen Howes agreed to produce a list for circulation.

Item 7 Laptops

After many traumas, the laptops have eventually arrived, but only just before the beginning of the meeting. This means that the GLA has not been able to carry out any checks. Windows XP needs to be activated, but full instructions are supplied. All machines have been set up with no restrictions on access so that new software can be installed. MS Office Pro, and SASPAC are already installed. All the machines have a combined DVD reader and CD reader/writer, along with built in modem and Ethernet card. A CD is supplied to install software for using the CD writer function. The laptops have a 30Gb hard disk, rather than the 40Gb disk as in the original specification, but the CD writer means that this should not be a problem. All the laptops were supplied with a 3-year hardware warranty, but apart from this they are not insured by the GLA. Laptops were handed out to Census contacts at the meeting. Those Census contacts not present will need to collect their laptop in person, as a signature is needed for audit purposes.

Item 8 Copyright

A briefing on copyright issues relating to the use of Census data is planned. Rachel Leeser highlighted some of the key points to be in the briefing. In particular, Census data is still Crown copyright, even though it is 'free', so any user wishing to publish any data, whether in hard copy or electronic media (including intranet sites) needs to have a Click-Use licence. This is free and can be obtained from the HMSO website (www.hmso.gov.uk). Those users from organisations that did not have a licence were urged to get one as a matter of priority. All users need to ensure that the relevant acknowledgements are included on all documents and web pages as appropriate. For example, '©Crown copyright' should be included on every web page containing Census data. There should also be a warning that anyone wishing to reproduce Census data should have their own licence. The precise form of these are detailed in the Terms and Conditions to the Click-Use licence.

There are still issues regarding copyright of the boundary data and the precise acknowledgements needed which need to be resolved. Additional licences will be needed to cover commissioned tables and there is a range of types of licence available. Further details of these and all the other issues relating to licensing and copyright of Census and boundary data will be included in the forthcoming briefing.

Item 9 SASPAC

There have been problems with CSV format versions of the Key Statistics files with incorrect area codes and inconsistent data, so the Excel versions are being used to create CSV files for import to SASPAC.. This was our first sight of the data (no test data had been supplied), so there had been no time to create the amendments/enhancements necessary to SASPAC to make it recognise the 2001 data - issues include making SASPAC recognise 9 character variable names instead of 8 character variable names as at present, creation of new framework files (changed two weeks before the release date), and the necessary searching facilities.

The SASPAC team is therefore going to adopt an interim measure sending out data in the week beginning 24 February that is in 1991 format ie with 8 character variable names and without search facilities, but with a paper listing of the table frameworks and cell identifiers. The plan is to send out the data for all areas of the country, rather than send different files to each user.

The framework files are now nearly complete for all datasets. They require checking against synthesised dummy data, but it may not be possible to check them fully until the data appears. The proposed timetable is to have an interim release of software (Version 6.5) during early March. Final software (Version 7) in May/June. However, this is all dependent on the timing of ONS data release and availability of earlier test data.

As the data becomes available it will be converted to SASPAC System Files as soon as possible and sent to users with any necessary upgraded software and associated Framework/Search files.

Item 10 Training

A series of training sessions was held in January/February. The next series of sessions will start on 28 April for three weeks. These will probably still use the 1991 LBS and SAS, but will also use the borough level 2001 Key Statistics . The next series, starting 8 September for four weeks will use a wide range of 2001 data. The sessions in April will initially be restricted to a maximum of two people per borough, sharing one PC. If there are still spaces in mid April, these will be offered to boroughs requesting additional places. If two people attend from one borough, they may wish to use the laptop as an additional machine for training. Anyone wishing to attend a training course should book directly with Bill Armstrong, using the form sent to Census contacts.

Item 11 Any Other Business

2006 interim plans

Rob Lewis, along with John Hollis and Neale Coleman (Mayoral Advisor) met with Len Cook and others from ONS to discuss population estimation and data collection for a mid-term large scale survey linked with information from administrative records and possible plans to carry out such a study in London in 2006

Output Area boundaries

The boundaries for the output areas in England and Wales have been finalised and a list of the number in each borough was circulated. It is not clear whether the electronic versions of the boundaries will be issued prior to the data release or whether they will form part of the same release. The GLA will receive these and send them to consortium members in various formats - Mapshare, MapInfo, ArcView (ESRI format).

Richlandmaps.com

Marc Mason had come across a website for an American county which provided an interesting way of viewing data in a mapping context. The address is www.richlandmaps.com

Census Extranet

This is now running under the new address (<https://extranet.london.gov.uk/census2001/>) and most users have already been issued with passwords. Anyone else requiring access should contact Michael Minors (Michael.Minors@london.gov.uk)

GLA Census Team

Rachel Leaser is moving from the Census team to concentrate on social exclusion data within the GLA. The recruitment of a replacement is under way.

ONS Roadshows

A series of Census and Neighbourhood Statistics roadshows are being planned for March. The two dates in London are 26 and 27 March. Booking is direct with ONS via census.customerservices@ons.gov.uk

Item 12 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 10th April 2pm, City Hall Committee Room 5

Attendance at the Census Users Group 18th February 2003

Greater London Authority	Eileen Howes
	Bill Armstrong
	Hywel Davies
	Rachel Leeser
	Baljit Bains
	James Sloan
	Rob Lewis
	John Hollis
Association of London Government	Caroline Welch
London Fire and Emergency Planing Authority	Phil Jeffries
Metropolitan Police Service	Rebecca Coughlan
London Development Agency	-
Transport for London	Simon Cooper
	Henry Borroughs
Corporation of London	Christine Pollard
Barking and Dagenham	Chris Sale
Barnet	Peter Keeble
Bexley	-
Brent	-
Bromley	Doug Ogilvie
Camden	Neil Storer
Croydon	Peter Gunn-Wilkinson
Ealing	-
Enfield	Colin Rumsey
	Ranj Chandrasena
Greenwich	David Waite
Hackney	Ewa Plachta
Hammersmith and Fulham	Alan Brooks
Haringey	-
Harrow	Sue Kaminska
Havering	Paul Ekers
Hillingdon	Ron Dane
Hounslow	Mark Griffin
Islington	Robin Hall
Kensington and Chelsea	Roger Morgan
	Colleen Devereux
Kingston upon Thames	Peter Brunton
Lambeth	Giorgio Finella
Lewisham	Chris Jennings
	Alec MacDonald
Merton	-
Newham	Michelle von Ahn
Redbridge	Matthew Wallbridge
Richmond upon Thames	Fiona O'Toole
Southwark	Martin Cook
Sutton	Peter Sale
Tower Hamlets	Juanita Haynes
Waltham Forest	Mark Jones
Wandsworth	Martin Howell
Westminster	-
Berkshire	-
London Health Observatory	-

Minutes of the Census Users' Group meeting held on 10 April 2003

Item 1 Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

The minutes were agreed.

PayCheck data

The contact from each of the London boroughs receiving PayCheck data will be sent a copy of the licence for them to sign saying that they will not pass any of their data to a 3rd party outside their authority and this includes any other London borough.

SSA variables

No representative from the ALG was present to pass a comment.

Census publications produced by London Boroughs

Thanks to those who have sent Eileen either a copy of Census research they have produced or provided the web address where their research may be found.

ONS Roadshow

This was well attended by representatives from the GLA, the Functional Bodies and the London Boroughs but the general feeling was there was room for improvement and that ONS were unable to answer many of the questions put to them.

GLA staff movement

Rachel will now be more involved with Social Exclusion and will no longer be part of the Census team, though she expects to take a keen interest in all Census developments. Her place will be taken by Giorgio Finella, presently the Census contact at Lambeth, on the 19th May. Gareth Piggott will also be joining the team on 15th April.

Item 2 2001 Census Key Statistics - any outstanding issues

On Tuesday 15th April, Eileen will be meeting representatives from ONS to discuss issues concerning the release of data. ONS appear to be planning to release Standard Tables at local authority level next but the general feeling is that release of Key Statistics at ward level should be released first. If the audience wanted Eileen to raise any other issues at the meeting, they were asked to contact her by next Monday.

Item 3 1991 Comparisons - SASPAC cell identifiers

Rachel has produced a SASPAC command file giving the 1991 Small Area Statistics cell identifiers equivalent to 2001 Key Statistics. This command file has been sent to all Census Contacts.

Item 4 2001 Census Output Timetable

The latest timetable will appear on the ONS website. The present timetable is:

7th May Standard Tables at LA level. This will be available Supertable format, the ONS software. A CSV file is what is required but ONS have not incorporated this into their plans for production of output.

It is expected that most, but not all, of the 150 to 200 of the Standard Tables will be available on this date.

June/July 2003 Key Statistics for wards.

June/July 2003 Key Statistics for output areas.

June/July 2003 Standard Tables for wards.

July 2003 Census Area Statistics for all geographies, ie. output areas and above.

ONS have published 'Census 2001 Classifications'. They will also be publishing a 'Census Definitions Book' which will be more comprehensive, selections from this book will be available via their website.

Item 5 DMAG Briefings and further analysis

Two lists, showing briefings produced and items for further analysis, were distributed. The audience was invited to request further items to be considered and the following were mentioned:

Educational achievement,

Young people - not just under 16s but various groups up to the age of 19,

Asylum Seekers, Refugees, Migrants (in particular migrants from overseas),

Re-working 2001 data to 1996 and perhaps 1991 ward boundaries,

Car ownership,

Tenure, the Private Rented Sector in particular,

Carers.

Item 6 Commissioned Tables

A list showing 5 tables was distributed, this being the start of the further tables which the GLA will purchase on behalf of the functional bodies and the London boroughs. The audience were asked to send their requests for further tables to Eileen and they will be added to the list. When the final layouts of the Standard Tables are known, the GLA will be able to finalise an initial list of tables to commission and this list will be passed to Census contacts for their comments.

ONS have said that any commissioned tables would be paid for by the organization commissioning them and all other parties would get the same tables for free. This is grossly unfair, and will be taken up with ONS at the meeting on 15th April.

Item 7 Boundaries

Digitised boundaries of the output areas are 'ready' and have been so for about three weeks. However, anyone requesting a copy from ONS has been told that they cannot have them straight away and if asking when they can have them has been told that they are imminent - this seems to be the latest ONS buzzword.

The boundaries will be distributed in two formats:
Mid and Mif
ESRI Shape.

The Mid and Mif files can easily be imported for use with MapInfo. They are text files and may also be read by other software, such as Mapshore (the mapping arm of SASPAC) and GGP. ESRI Shape files can be used with ArcInfo and ArcView.

Anyone requiring them in a different format are requested to contact the GLA and they will investigate possible sources.

Item 8 SASPAC

A note was distributed explaining the reasons for the delay in distribution of version 6.5 of SASPAC, not least being ONS not being able to finalise table layouts until the last minute and the amount of work needed to convert their Supertables of CSV files of data to a suitable form.

It is anticipated that version 6.5 will be available in June and this will be distributed along with all the 2001 Census data available at that time. This will be followed by version 7 in July, again with any further 2001 Census data available. After that, further 2001 Census data will be supplied as SASPAC system files.

Item 9 Training

The next series of training will start on 28th April and last for three weeks. There are a few places left but anyone interested should contact the GLA as soon as possible.

The next training sessions are planned for September and November.

Item 10 Any other business

Would it be possible to get the response rates of Census questionnaire return at ward level?

Could the definition of 'non-White' be standardized?

A mid-term Census - this seemed very possible but its content may be little more than a 'Census Validation Survey.'

A selection of 'CLIP' papers is available on the GLA Extranet.

There will be another consultation on the creation of 'Super Output Areas'.

Item 1 Date of next meeting

The 26th June 2003.

Attendance at the Census Users' Group Meeting held on 10th April 2003

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	Bill Armstrong
	Rachel Leeser
	Baljit Bains
	Ed Klodawski
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London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority	Phil Jeffries
Metropolitan Police Service	-
London Development Agency	-
Transport for London	Hannah Shrimpton
Corporation of London	Christine Pollard
Barking and Dagenham	Chris Sale
Barnet	Peter Keeble
Bexley	-
Brent	John McCrae
Bromley	-
Camden	Neil Storer
Croydon	Peter Gunn-Wilkinson
Ealing	Michael Weaver
Enfield	Colin Rumsey
Greenwich	-
Hackney	Ewa Plachta
Hammersmith and Fulham	Alan Brooks
Haringey	Bob Dawes
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Havering	Paul Ekers
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Regular briefings and data from GLA Data Management and Analysis Group

DMAG has instituted a new series of publications, covering all aspects of DMAG work.

DMAG Briefings will now incorporate the Census Information Notes (CIN) and Population Advice Notes (PAN). The traditional content of both these series will still appear regularly.

The latest DMAG Briefings are:

DMAG Briefing 2003/1	Disabled people and the labour market	Lorna Spence
DMAG Briefing 2003/2	2001 Borough Demographic Profiles	Baljit Bains/Iryna Pylypchuk
DMAG Briefing 2003/3	2002 Round of Demographic Projections	John Hollis
DMAG Briefing 2003/4	Greater London Demographic Review: 2001	Baljit Bains/Iryna Pylypchuk
DMAG Briefing 2003/5	Census Information Note 2003-1	Eileen Howes
DMAG Briefing 2003/6	Third country nationals living in London 2000/01	Lorna Spence
DMAG Briefing 2003/7	2001 Census Key Statistics: Initial summary of results	Eileen Howes
DMAG Briefing 2003/8	2001 Census Key Statistics: Household variables	John Hollis
DMAG Briefing 2003/10	Household Forecasts based on 2001 Census Key Statistics	John Hollis
DMAG Briefing 2003/11	2001 Census: Copyright and licensing for Census users	Rachel Leeser /Hywel Davies
DMAG Briefing 2003/12	Women and the Labour Market	Lorna Spence
DMAG Briefing 2003/13	2001 Census Key Statistics: Means of travel to work	Eileen Howes
DMAG Briefing 2003/14	2001 Census Key Statistics: People, families and households	Rachel Leeser
DMAG Briefing 2003/15	Census Information Note 2003-2	Eileen Howes
DMAG Briefing 2003/16	2001 Census Key Statistics: Health indicators	Gareth Piggott

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Extranet Services you currently access, circle as applicable:

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Responsibility for economic data has passed to another team within the GLA, however DMAG will continue to provide unemployment data via a social inclusion site in the near future

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