# Questions

The Code of Practice on Access to Government Information means we would have to make available individual responses if we are asked to.

The closing date for completing this questionnaire is 24th October 2017.

**You and Your Organisation**

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| Job Title (if applicable): |  |
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**Please tell us which of the following best describes you as a respondent:**

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| Academic |  |
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| Business representative organisation/trade body |  |
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| Central Government |  |
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| Charity or social enterprise |  |
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| Individual |  |
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| Legal representative |  |
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| Local Government |  |
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| Large business (over 250 staff) |  |
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| Medium business (50 to 250 staff) |  |
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| Small business (10 to 49 staff) |  |
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| Micro business (up to 9 staff) |  |
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| Other, please describe:  |  |  |  |

**Universal Credit Experimental Statistics**

**Your use of Universal Credit Experimental Statistics**

To help us understand your needs, please tell us a bit about what you use Universal Credit Official Statistics for, including any decisions the statistics will inform and questions you are looking to answer.

**Question 1**

What additional information would be useful to include in the monthly publication providing information about [**People on Universal Credit**](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/universal-credit-statistics)?

(1 – Essential, and top priority, 2 – Highly desirable 3 – Might be useful, but a lower priority)

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| Further breakdowns by duration on Universal Credit, to include a 6-12m category, and a 12m+ category |  |  |
| Health condition |  |  |
| An indicator, or indicators, of vulnerability (eg homelessness) |  |  |
| Ethnicity |  |  |
| Flow of claimants between conditionality groups  |  |  |
| Other… |  |  |

**Question 2**

What additional information would be useful to include in the monthly publication providing information about [**Starts to Universal Credit**](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/universal-credit-statistics)?

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| Breakdowns by Local Authority |  |  |
| Other… |  |  |

**Question 3**

What additional information would be useful to include in the six-monthly publication providing information about [**Households on Universal Credit**](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/598948/universal-credit-29-apr-2013-to-9-feb-2017.pdf)?

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| Number of children |  |  |
| Number of child elements the household is entitled to |  |  |
| Households whose income includes earnings |  |  |
| Tenure Type |  |  |
| Average eligible rent level / Value of housing cost element |  |  |
| Households affected by the Removal of the Spare Room Subsidy |  |  |
| Number of spare rooms for those households affected by the Removal of the Spare Room Subsidy |  |  |
| Average spare room reduction amount for those households affected by the Removal of the Spare Room Subsidy |  |  |
| Alternative Payment Arrangements - Payment to landlords |  |  |
| Alternative Payment Arrangements – Split Payments |  |  |
| Households with a payment deduction, due to a sanction |  |  |
| Average payment deduction amount due to a sanction |  |  |
| Households with a payment reduction, due to recovery of rent arrears |  |  |
| Average payment reduction, due to recovery of rent arrears |  |  |
| Other… |  |  |

**Question 4**

What additional information would be useful to include in the quarterly publication on [**Benefit Cap Statistics**](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/benefit-cap-statistics)?

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| Number of households on Universal Credit that are capped (point-in-time caseload) |  |  |
| Total number of households on Universal Credit that have been capped (cumulative caseload) |  |  |
| Number of households on Universal Credit that have been capped but are no longer capped (off-flows) |  |  |
| Breakdown of off-flow outcomes to include category for households on Universal Credit working enough so the benefit cap no longer applies |  |  |
| Breakdown of off-flow outcomes to include category for households on Universal Credit who become exempt from the cap because of the Universal Credit elements to which they are entitled |  |  |
| Breakdown by region and Local Authority |  |  |
| Family type |  |  |
| Number of children |  |  |
| Age of youngest child |  |  |
| Amount of Universal Credit capped |  |  |
| Combined number of households that have had their Housing Benefit or Universal Credit capped |  |  |
| Other… |  |  |

**Question 5**

We intend to develop statistics on Work Capability Assessments (WCAs) for UC claimants. Which of these areas would be most useful to prioritise for inclusion in the quarterly publication on [**Outcomes of Work Capability Assessments (WCA)**](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/employment-and-support-allowance-outcomes-of-work-capability-assessment)?

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| Universal Credit Work Capability Assessments (volumes and outcomes) over time |  |  |
| Universal Credit Work Capability Assessments (volumes and outcomes) by low level geography |  |  |
| Universal Credit Work Capability Assessments (volumes and outcomes) by condition |  |  |
| Universal Credit Work Capability Assessments (volumes and outcomes) by initial or repeat assessment |  |  |
| Universal Credit Work Capability Assessments (volumes and outcomes) by new claim or migrated from ESA status. |  |  |
| Reason for assignment to Limited Capability for Work or Limited Capability for Work Related Activity |  |  |
| Universal Credit Work Capability Assessments Mandatory Reconsideration numbers and outcomes |  |  |
| Universal Credit Work Capability Assessments appeal outcomes |  |  |
| Customer journey times through the Universal Credit Work Capability Assessment process |  |  |
| Other… |  |  |

**Question 6**

What additional information would be useful to include in the quarterly publication on[**Benefit sanctions statistics**](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/dwp-statistical-summaries)?

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| Include information about sanctions for people on Universal Credit full service when information corresponding to that published for Universal Credit live service is available |  |  |
| Other… |  |  |

**Question 7a**

What additional information would be useful to include in the annual publication about[**Children in out-of-work benefit households**](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/children-in-out-of-work-benefit-households--2)?

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| Include further breakdowns of conditionality groups of Universal Credit claims in payment |  |  |
| Include the number of adults in the Universal Credit Households which are searching for work and Universal Credit is in payment |  |  |
| Include different age breakdowns for children |  |  |
| Other… |  |  |

**Question 7b**

We are currently defining an out-of-work benefit household on Universal Credit as:

“Households where all claimants are in the working with requirements, planning for work, preparing for work or searching for work [conditionality regimes](https://sw.stat-xplore.dwp.gov.uk/webapi/metadata/UC_Monthly/Conditionality%20Regime.html).”

Do you have any thoughts or comments on this definition?

**Question 8**

Are there any **other Universal Credit statistics** you would like to see produced on a regular basis which don’t tie in with DWP’s regular statistical outputs, listed above?

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| **Type of information** | **Ranking**1, 2 or 3 | **Why would you find this useful?** |
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Thank you for taking the time to give us your views. We do not intend to acknowledge receipt of individual responses unless you tick the box below.

Please acknowledge this reply

We carry out our research on many different topics and consultations. As your views are valuable to us, do you agree to us contacting you again from time to time, either for research or to send through consultation documents?

Yes No

Please send us your responses in an email (stephanie.sarwar@dwp.gsi.gov.uk) or in the post, to:

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