

1) The number of ADIs removed from the Register in 2011 broken down by those that have resigned, lapsed and those that the Registrar decided to remove.

In the table below, you can find the number of ADIs removed from the Register in 2011 broken down by those that have resigned, those whose registration has lapsed and those that the ADI Registrar decided to remove.

Number of ADIs resigned in 2011	1,058
Number of ADIs registration lapsed	2,115
Number of ADIs removed from the register in 2011 after Registrar decision	323

2) Whether we hold any information to suggest that the number of ADIs leaving or resigning from the register has increased due to the recession?

We do not hold any information to suggest that the number of ADIs leaving or resigning from the register has increased due to the recession.

3) Whether any research has been done into whether the number of ADIs on the Register has dropped in the last three financial years?

The number of ADIs on the register has increased over the last three financial years (2008/9, 2009/10 and 2010/11). You can find information on the numbers on the register for 2008/9, 2009/10 and 2010/11 in our 2010/11 Annual Report and Accounts, which is available online at <http://www.dft.gov.uk/publications/dsa-annual-report-accounts-2010-11>

We, therefore, haven't conducted any research into the decrease in ADIs. This information is not held.

4) Whether any research has been done into the number of driving lessons that a candidate has before their car practical test? Has this figure decreased due to the recession?

We did collate information on the average number of lessons required to pass a car practical test as part of a major study of learner drivers.. You can download details of this major study titled 'Cohort II: A study of learner and new drivers study', online at <http://www.dft.gov.uk/publications/cohort-ii-a-study-of-learner-and-new-drivers>. The study also compared similar information collated as part of the Cohort I study. Some information that you may find useful can be found on pages 11, 19 and 98. There may also be further information found in this study that you'll find useful.

You can find a summarised version of this information in a report titled 'Learning to Drive: the evidence' (DfT Road Safety Research Report number 87, 2008). You can download this at <http://www.dft.gov.uk/publications/research-and-statistical-reports/>

Please note the Cohort I study was based on candidates that took their test in 1988 and 1989 and the Cohort II study was based on candidates that took their test between 2001 and 2005.

Information in the Cohort II study is, therefore, exempt from release under section 21 (information accessible by other means) of the Freedom of Information Act. A full breakdown of this exemption can be found at Annex B.

We have not commissioned any further research since then. Therefore, we don't hold any information on whether the number of driving lessons a candidate has had before their test has decreased due to the recession.

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