

**1) The number of ADIs in the UK (if possible only those that are currently operating)**

As of 1 June 2011, there were 47,073 approved driving instructors (ADIs) on the register. We do not hold information about whether or not they are currently operating.

**2) The estimated number of driving lessons conducted in the UK every day/month or year**

We do not hold information in respect of the number of driving lessons conducted every day, month or year.

We did, however, collate information on the average number of driving lessons a candidate has before they pass their car practical test. This information was collated as part of a major study of learner drivers, which was published in 2008. 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/pgr/roadsafety/research/rsrr/theme2/cohort2/>. 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/pgr/roadsafety/research/researchreports>.

**3) Information that I could use to verify that a person registering as an instructor on my website is qualified and approved to offer driving lessons. This could be a list of driving instructors ADI numbers alongside their surname for example so when they register I can confirm they match etc.**

We do hold this information, however, we will not release this information as it is exempt from release under section 40(2) (personal information) of FoIA. If we provided this information, its release would breach the Data Protection Act. This exemption in full is attached at Annex B.

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