# Income Dynamics experimental statistics: future developments

**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 29 June 2018.

**You and Your Organisation**

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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:  |  |  |  |

**Income Dynamics Experimental Statistics**

**Your use of Income Dynamics Experimental Statistics**

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

**Question 1**

How useful is the existing analysis included in Income Dynamics? Can any of the existing analysis be dropped?

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| **Type of table** | **Keep, amend or stop?** | **Reason for categorisation?*** **Why do you find this useful?**
* **How would you like the table amended?**
* **Why should we stop producing the tabulation?**
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| **Persistent low income**Tables are included showing the percentage of population groups in persistent low income and the composition of population groups in persistent low income, by various characteristics  |  |  |
| **Movements in the income distribution**Tables are included showing movements between quintiles over various periods of time. |  |  |
| **Low-income entry and exit rates**Tables are included showing low-income entry and exit rates in successive waves, by population group, and by various characteristics |  |  |
| **Comparisons with HBAI**Tables are included in the methodology section showing how estimates compare with those published in the Households Below Average Income publication. |  |  |

**Question 2**

How useful are the various characteristics presented in the tables? Are there further breakdowns you would find useful?

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| **Type of characteristic** | **Keep, amend or stop?** | **Reason for categorisation?*** **Why do you find this useful?**
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| Population group i.e. child, working-age adult, pensioner |  |  |
| Family type |  |  |
| Tenure type |  |  |
| Region and Country |  |  |
| Ethnicity of head of household |  |  |
| Highest educational qualification |  |  |
| Employment status of the family |  |  |
| Number of children in the family |  |  |
| Gender |  |  |
| Long-standing illness or disability |  |  |
| Up to date with bills |  |  |
| Age |  |  |
| Age of youngest child |  |  |
| Other…(please add suggestion) |  |  |

**Question 3**

What additional information would you like us to explore including in the Income Dynamics publication?

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| **Type of information** | **Why would you find this useful?** |
| **Events analysis for entry and exit rates**.For example, was a change in income or size of household the trigger for the entry or exit. |  |
| **Entry and exit rates for consecutive persistent low income**. This was defined in Low-income Dynamics as three consecutive years in low income, either preceded by two consecutive years above the low-income threshold for entries into consecutive persistent low income or followed by two consecutive years below the low-income threshold for exits from consecutive persistent low income. |  |
| **Uncertainty analysis** – confidence intervals around key estimates |  |
| Other…(please add suggestion) |  |

**Question 4**

Currently the persistent low income tables show analysis for a specific time period per table, i.e. there are separate tables for 2010-2011 to 2013-2014, 2011-2012 to 2014-2015, and 2012-2013 to 2015-2016. As the time series lengthens, would it be more useful to present the statistics as one table per low-income threshold and show all four-wave periods on the same table or do you prefer the tables as they are now?

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| Yes, I would prefer a time series on one page per low-income threshold |  |
| No, I prefer the tables as they are now |  |

If you have an additional comments or suggestions please add them below.

**Question 5**

Is there sufficient information on methodology and quality in support of the statistics produced?

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| Yes |  |
| No |  |

If no, what additional information would be useful?

**Question 6**

Is there sufficient commentary on the website or in the publications to assist you in understanding the statistics?

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| Yes |  |
| No |  |

If no, what additional information would be useful?

**Question 7**

If you have any further comments or suggestions on the content or presentation of the tables or publication please add them below.

**Question 8**

If you think there are gaps in our Income Dynamics publication, we would also be interested to receive new proposals for consideration.

Thank you for taking the time to give us your views.

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

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