

## **Country and Regional Analysis: Pre-release Access List**

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The officials on this list are either involved in the production of briefing for ministers or are called upon to give direct advice to ministers to enable them to comment on the figures shortly after their publication. The list is not restricted to ministers and officials from the Treasury given the country and regional focus of the release.

Pre-release access arrangements are in line with the Pre-release Access to Official Statistics Order 2008. Pre-release access for briefing purposes is allowed no earlier than 24 hours prior to publication.

As well as the listed people who receive pre-release access to data in line with the Order, a limited number of other Treasury officials will have pre-release access to the CRA data because they are involved in the compilation and quality assurance of the data and will see it more than 24 hours before publication. Some members of the Communications team will see the release, but only within the 24 hour pre-release period, because they place the data on the gov.uk website.

Some of the underlying data in the release are derived from HM Treasury administrative systems and will be seen by a number of people within Treasury as management information in advance of publication of the statistics. Direct access to this data is minimised and those with this access ensure that the information is not passed on to anyone who does not have an operational need to see it in advance of publication.

Additionally, for the CRA only, pre-release access for the purposes of quality assurance is granted to a limited number of officials in the devolved administrations and the Department of Transport for a limited amount of the published data relevant to their countries or functions.

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### **HM Treasury**

- Chief Secretary to the Treasury (and office)
- Chancellor of the Exchequer (and office)
- Permanent Secretary (and office)
- Second Permanent Secretary
- Director, Public Spending
- Levelling up lead x1
- Special Adviser
- Press Office x3
- Head of Profession, Statistics

**Scotland Office**

- Secretary of State for Scotland
- Press Officer for the Scotland Office
- Scotland Office Economist x2

**Wales Office**

- Secretary of State for Wales
- Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for Wales
- Head of Policy for the Wales Office
- Press Officer for the Wales Office

**Northern Ireland Office**

- Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
- Deputy Director of Prosperity Group
- Press Officer for the Northern Ireland Office

**Scottish Government**

- Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution
- Communications Officer
- Special Adviser
- Briefing Official

**Welsh Government**

- First Minister
- Minister for Finance and Local Government
- Press Officer
- Briefing Official

**Northern Ireland Executive**

- Head of Central Expenditure

**Department for Transport**

- DfT Secretary of State
- DfT Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Transport
- DfT Rail Minister
- DfT Special Advisors x1
- DfT Press Office x1
- DfT Briefing Officials x2