WELLBEING

**MEDIAN PATIENT WAITING TIMES BETWEEN REFERRAL AND TREATMENT**

After the initial referral, the average (median) patient in England needs to wait about eight weeks to be treated and admitted into hospital. Source: Department of Health

**PERCENTAGE OF PATIENTS WAITING FOR UNDER 18 WEEKS FOR TREATMENTS**

The majority of patients need to wait for fewer than 18 weeks to be admitted and treated. The proportion of patients who are treated within this maximum waiting time under the NHS Constitution has improved from early 2008 but fallen back slightly in early 2011. Source: Department of Health

**LIFE EXPECTANCY BY AGE AND GENDER**

Women have higher life expectancy than men. A baby girl born today can expect to live to an age of 82 years, compared to 78 years for a baby boy. A man retiring at the age of 65 today can expect to live a further 18 years. Source: ONS
WELLBEING

PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE REPORTING LOW LIFE SATISFACTION

Twenty-seven per cent of people living in London are not satisfied with their lives (reporting a rating below 7 on a scale of 0-10). The South East has the lowest proportion of people with low life satisfaction. Source: ONS

Average subjective wellbeing ratings by relationship status

On average, people with partners are happier and more satisfied with their lives than single people; widowed and divorced people are less happy and satisfied than single people. Source: ONS

LIFE SATISFACTION BY WORK STATUS

Almost half of unemployed people have low or very low levels of life satisfaction, compared to 20 per cent of those in employment. A higher proportion of economically inactive people (including pensioners, students, the disabled, etc) are more highly satisfied with their lives than those in employment, but the former group also has a higher proportion with very low life satisfaction. Source: ONS
FAMILY

HAVE ENOUGH TIME FOR YOUR CHILDREN?

Working mothers are much more likely to feel that they do not have enough time to spend with their children than out-of-work mothers. Working fathers are most likely to report having too little for their children. Source: Millennium Cohort Study

PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN BY FAMILY TYPE

Increasingly many more children are living with lone parents or within cohabiting couple families, instead of married couple families. Source: Labour Force Survey, ONS

AVGAE PISA SCORES BY FATHER’S EDUCATION

Fifteen-year-olds whose fathers have higher schooling levels tend to have higher scores in all subjects, according to the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). Source: OECD

PROPORTION OF MOTHERS WHO READ TO CHILDREN EVERY DAY BY MOTHER’S QUALIFICATION LEVEL

Better-educated mothers read to their children more often than those with fewer qualifications. Source: Millennium Cohort Study

DISTRIBUTION OF READING ABILITY BY IMMIGRANT STATUS

Young people from immigrant families are more likely to have lower reading abilities than from native families. Source: OECD Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) 2009 Results
Seventy-two per cent of people have given to charity in a given four weeks. High-income individuals are more likely to give to charity, but even among the poorest, more than 60 per cent gave to charity. Source: DCLG 2009-10 Citizenship Survey: Community Action Topic Report.

Medical research attracted 17 per cent of all charitable donations in 2010-11 in the UK, followed closely by religious causes. Charities for children or young people received 11 per cent of total donations. Source: UK Giving 2011: An overview of charitable giving in the UK, 2010/11 published by National Council for Voluntary Organisations and Charities Aid Foundation.
IMMIGRATION

NUMBER OF PASSENGERS GIVEN LEAVE TO ENTER THE UK, EXCLUDING EEA AND SWISS NATIONALS

Hundreds of thousands of people enter the UK every year to work, study or get married. The number of entries for work has been declining in recent years. Note: The figures include dependants and exclude those who return to the UK after a temporary absence (e.g., students gone home for holiday). The chart doesn’t include tourists, business visitors, refugees, etc. Source: Home Office

NET MIGRATION BY CITIZENSHIP

Every year tens of thousands of British nationals emigrate abroad, while larger numbers of EU nationals, Commonwealth citizens and other foreigners migrate to the UK. Source: ONS, Home Office, Central Statistics Office (CSO) Ireland, Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA)

LONG-TERM INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION (ALL CITIZENSHIPS)

Net long-term migration to the UK in the year to September 2011 was around 250,000, not far below the highest record in the year to June 2005. Long-term international immigration into the UK has been stable since 2004 at just below 600,000 per year while long-term emigration out of the UK peaked in 2008 and has fallen back to its pre-recession level around 350,000. Source: ONS, Home Office, Central Statistics Office (CSO) Ireland, Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA)
VALUE OF TRADE IN GOODS BY SELECTED COUNTRIES

In 2011, the UK’s biggest export market was the US. Germany was the most important source of imports. Source: ONS

VALUE OF TRADE IN GOODS

In 2011, the UK exported approximately £300 billion worth of goods and imported £400 billion worth. The UK has been importing more goods than exporting every year for the past decade. Source: ONS

VALUE OF TRADE IN GOODS BY COMMODITIES

The UK is a net importer of food, beverages and tobacco, basic materials and fuels. Source: ONS
**HIGHER EDUCATION**

**FAMILY INCOME AND HIGHER EDUCATION PARTICIPATION**

Two out of three of young people from the richest 20 per cent of families go to university, compared to one out of four of those from the poorest 20 per cent of families. Source: J. Anders 2012 The Link between Household Income, University Applications and University Attendance, Fiscal Studies, vol.33, issue 2.

**GRADUATE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY TIME SINCE GRADUATION**

Unemployment of those who graduated 0–2 years ago stood at 19 per cent by the final quarter of 2011, well above the rate for slightly older graduates. Source: ONS.

**AVERAGE DEBT WHEN STARTED REPAYMENT**

Graduates who started loan repayment in 2011 had an average debt of £17,240, which was 17 per cent higher than the average debt of the previous cohort who started repayment in 2010 and more than six times the average debt of the 2000 cohort (in cash terms). Source: Student Loans Company.
ECONOMY

PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT SHARE BY SIZE OF ENTERPRISE
Nearly 16 per cent of all private-sector employment in the UK comes from self-employment. Overall, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs, defined as having fewer than 250 employees) accounted for nearly 60 per cent of total private-sector employment. Source: BIS

LENDING TO BRITISH BUSINESS
Growth in lending to British business has slowed since 2008 and remained negative since mid-2009. Source: Bank of England

SHARE OF GROSS VALUE-ADDED BY REGION
Workplaces in London accounted for 21.5 per cent of the total value-added in production taking place in the UK. Note: GVA is allocated across regions according to the workplace where economic activity took place in 2010. The shares are very stable over time. Source: ONS

NUMBER OF JOBS BY INDUSTRY

While significant numbers of jobs have been lost in manufacturing, construction, and wholesale and retail trade since the recession, industries such as human health, education, and professional scientific activities have held up. Sources: Employer surveys, ONS Labour Force Survey and administrative sources.

2.2 MILLION CONSTRUCTION

MARCH 2008
MARCH 2012
VOLUNTEERING

VOLUNTEERING PARTICIPATION BY AGE GROUP

Fifty-eight per cent of 16-24 year-olds have participated in informal volunteering at least once a year. Source: DCLG 2009-10 Citizenship Survey – Community Action Topic Report

AVERAGE VOLUNTEERING HOURS IN A MONTH

Conditional on participation, the average hours spent is higher for formal volunteering than for informal volunteering. Source: DCLG 2009-10 Citizenship Survey – Community Action Topic Report

POPULARITY OF FORMAL VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES

The most popular volunteering activities are raising money/sponsored events and help with organising events. Half of participants have been involved in each of the two activities. Source: DCLG 2009-10 Citizenship Survey – Community Action Topic Report

WHY SOME PEOPLE DO NOT VOLUNTEER

Among those who have not volunteered for 12 months, more than half reported having work commitments as a barrier. About 18 per cent said they hadn’t heard about opportunities to help. Source: DCLG 2009-10 Citizenship Survey – Community Action Topic Report
HOUSEHOLD

HOUSEHOLD SIZE IN THE UK

Today, more households in the UK contain only one or two people compared to previous decades. Source: ONS.

AVERAGE NET HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN BRITAIN

After taxes and benefits, average household income in Great Britain grew steadily every year until 2009-10 and fell sharply in 2010-11. Source: Institute for Fiscal Studies.

£515 PER WEEK IN 2010-11

NUMBER OF WORKERS BY OCCUPATION AND GENDER

Men are more likely to be managers, machine operatives and in skilled trades occupations, while women are mostly found in professional, admin and secretarial, and service jobs. Source: ONS.
More than 40% of household waste was recycled in the tax year 2010-11 in England, which represented a large increase from the 11% recycling rate ten years earlier. Source: DEFRA

In 2010-11, about 30% of total household waste in London was recycled. This was the lowest of all regions in England. Source: DEFRA

In 2009-10, more than 40% of household recycling rate in England was achieved.

In 1996-97, paper and card used to be the biggest component of recycled waste, but there have been significant increases in the shares of compost and co-mingled waste. Source: DEFRA

Thousands of tonnes

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**PENSIONS**

**OLD AGE DEPENDENCY RATIO**

Without the proposed increases of State Pension Age (SPA), we will see a rapid growth in the number of people above SPA relative to the working-age population (16-SPA) in the coming decades. *Source: ONS*

**TOTAL UK PENSION LIABILITIES**

The total UK pension liabilities stood at around £7,000 billion in 2010. More than half of it was the government’s liability to pay out state pensions. *Source: ONS*

**PERCENTAGE OF FULL-TIME WORKERS WITH ANY PENSION SCHEME MEMBERSHIP**

Young workers are much less likely to be a member of any pension scheme than older generations. *Source: ONS*

**PERCENTAGE OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES WITH AN EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PENSION SCHEME**

High earners are more likely to have an employer-sponsored pension scheme than low earners. Within any earnings band, a greater proportion of women have employer-sponsored pension schemes than men. *Source: ONS*
WATER AND ENERGY

ENERGY CONSUMPTION BY END USER
Increasingly more energy has been consumed on transport, and less by industry. Source: DECC

USE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES
Most types of renewable energy (except Hydro) have seen great increases in their use in the last two decades. Liquid biofuels, landfill gas and other biomass are the most important sources. Liquid biofuels, for example, have gone from no usage to 1,200 tonnes of oil equivalent in a decade. Source: DECC

ANNUAL FRESH WATER WITHDRAWAL PER CAPITA
The amount of fresh water withdrawn per person is significantly lower in the UK than in many other developed countries. Source: AQUASTAT database - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)