



ONS Changes to Mid Year Estimates – Adding it all up.

BSPS is pleased to announce two events, one in Leeds in conjunction with Leeds University School of Geography and one in London in conjunction with the LGA. The meetings will be looking at the revisions proposed by ONS to the Mid Year Estimate series from Mid 2002 to Mid 2008. The latest changes revise methodology for the distribution of International migrants between local areas and include new data on Students to enhance moves within the UK. These meetings will give Local Authorities the chance to compare findings, assess the changes and receive some feedback from the ONS IMPS team.

Background to the event:

One of ONS Centre for Demography's key challenges is to reduce intercensal drift in population estimates. This adds credibility and confidence to the estimates. As a result, a rolling programme of improvements are being, and have been, introduced by ONSCD. This meeting, within the consultation period for the latest changes, is to look at the figures in detail and see if they reflect what Local Authorities and other organisations are seeing on the ground. For further information on the ONS population estimates please see:

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/about-statistics/methodology-and-quality/imps/mig-stats-improve-prog/comm-stakeholders/improvements-to-the-mid-2008-population-estimates/index.html>

Registration

The programme for both events is attached. If you would like to contribute to the events by giving a short (10 minute) presentation as part of Session 2, and get instant feedback from the ONS IMPS team, please let the BSPS Secretariat know when you register for the event : To register please email pic@lse.ac.uk and indicate which venue you will be attending and whether you would like to do a short presentation. We look forward to seeing you in January.