

Welsh Government data collections: current position of plans in response to COVID-19

Data collection	Frequency collected	Proposal as at May 2020	December 2020
National Survey for Wales	Continuous	Moved to telephone in line with ONS survey changes, reduced content specific to current situation.	Change to survey format ongoing.
Welsh Language Use Survey	Ad-hoc	Survey suspended, due to the change in the way the National Survey is administered. The first 9 months of data has been collected and will be analysed and published. [No further action]	-
Trade Survey for Wales	Annual	Under consideration.	Contractor is on standby to deliver fieldwork October to December 2020. Survey will remain push-to-web but with a phone call after the initial mail out to confirm receipt of the invitation letter.
Schools Census and School Workforce Census	Annual	Data for 2019/20 mostly collected, small number of schools did not return and some unvalidated. Will not collect information from missing schools for School Workforce Census for current academic year. [No further action]	-
School attendance, teacher assessment and Welsh national tests	Annual	Cancelled. Data for the academic year 2019/20 will not be available from these collections. [No further action]	-
GCSE and A/AS level results	Annual	Discussions ongoing.	Examinations data will be published as Official Statistics, at a national level, and will not include performance measures.
Teacher Sickness Absence	Annually	Suspend current collection and publication. Review collection of outstanding returns later in year.	We are planning to collect data for both calendar years 2019 and 2020 in January 2021 and publish in July 2021.
Admission of patients to mental health facilities (KP90)	Annual	Data collection for 2018-19 ongoing. 2019-20 postponed until later in the year.	2018-19 data has been published. Currently working on a timetable for the collection of 2019-20 data.
Homelessness	Quarterly (headline figures)	Propose to keep quarterly return to schedule where possible.	Collect the quarterly breakdown for 2020-21 after March 2021 and alongside the annual collection for 2020-21 data. These statistics would be published in summer 2021.
	Annual (more comprehensive)	More comprehensive annual collection to be reduced.	Quality assurance of annual data was delayed this year. Publication postponed from July and was published in November.
New house Build	Quarterly	Do not collect and publish January to March 2020 data return and suspend collections and publishing until end 2020-21. Likely we will only collect full year data end 2020-21. [No further action]	-
Affordable Housing	Annually	Postpone data collection until Autumn.	Data collection commencing in October.

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Social Housing Stock and Rents	Annually	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20. [No further action]	-
Welsh Housing Quality Standard (WHQS)	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20. Review later in year whether to capture information relating to a different reference period.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled. In the first half of 2021, we will collect data as at 31 December 2020.
Social Housing Sales	Annually	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20 [No further action]	-
Social Services Performance Measure Qualitative & Quantitative	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled. Discontinued going forward.
Looked After Children Census (LAC)	Annually	Slight delay to collection and publication for 2019-20.	Data collection commencing in September with the aim of publishing before Christmas. Final date to be confirmed.
Children Receiving Care and Support Census (CRCS)	Annually	Delay collection and publication for 2019-20.	Data collection to commence in October with publication early in 2021 (same as in previous years).
Children receiving care and support (aggregate)	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled.
Adults receiving care and support	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled.
Adult Safeguarding	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled.
Staff of local authority social services departments	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled. Discontinued going forward (transfer of responsibility to Social Care Wales).
Disability registers	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled.
Flying Start	Termly	Delay collections until later in the year, review timing in line with ongoing monitoring requirements.	Collection to take place in the Autumn.
Fire Service Operational statistics	Annually	Suspend collection and publication for 2019-20. Review later in year.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 to go ahead in Autumn.
Counselling for Children and Young People (Schools)	Annually	Review collection and publication for 2019-20 later in year.	Data collection commencing in October.
Youth Work	Annually	Review collection and publication for 2019-20 later in year.	Data collection commencing in October.
Gypsy and Traveller Caravan Count	Biannual (January and June)	Consider with data suppliers.	Consider with data suppliers.
Local Government Finance Revenue Budget, Capital Forecast and Schools Budgets	Annually	Propose to keep to schedule where possible.	Forms were sent as normal. Data being received. Publication postponed.
Council Tax Collection	Annually	Slight delay.	Forms were sent later than usual. Data being received. Publication postponed.

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Road lengths	Annually	Delay and review later in year.	Collection and publication for 2019-20 cancelled.
Road accidents	Monthly	Police forces continuing to provide submissions if they are able.	Submissions ongoing.
June Agriculture Survey	Annually	Under consideration.	Survey delayed to mid-August with both sample size and amount of information requested reduced.
Farm income survey	Annually	Proceeding but fieldwork currently paused.	Making limited progress without farm visits.
Local Government Finance Revenue Outturn Capital Outturn and Schools Outturn	Annually	Propose to keep to schedule where possible.	Forms sent out to schedule.
Demolitions, Hazards and Licences 2019-20	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20.
Assistance for Housing Improvement 2019-20	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20.
Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG) 2019-20	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20.
Renewal Area Activity 2019-20	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20.
Vacancies 2019-20	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20.
Lettings 2019-20	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20.
Rent Arrears 2019-20	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	Do not collect or publish for 2019-20.
Rough Sleeper count	Annually	Not considered as not due until latter part of year.	To ease the burden on local authorities and as we have begun publishing monthly management information on homelessness and rough sleeping, the annual rough sleeper count for November 2020 is suspended. Decision report
Great Britain Tourism Survey	Continuous	-	No data will be available for 2020. New trend will begin in 2021.
Great Britain Day Visits Survey	Continuous	-	No data will be available for 2020. New trend will begin in 2021.

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