MPs: what do you know about your constituency? How to get the evidence and statistics.

Come and tell us your views and put your questions to an expert panel chaired by Mark Easton, Home Editor, BBC News.

PANEL MEMBERS INCLUDE:
Bernard Jenkin MP and Chair of the Public Administration Select Committee
Danny Dorling, Professor of Human Geography at the University of Sheffield
Aleks Collingwood, Programme Manager (Statistics and Quantitative Specialist), Joseph Rowntree Foundation

EVENT DETAILS:
Tuesday 2 July, 12.30 (light refreshments) for 1-2pm
Attlee Suite, Portcullis House
If you would like to attend the event, please contact Nitin Mehta (mehtan@parliament.uk) by 1 July.

BRIEF PRESENTATIONS BY:
Richard Cracknell, Head of Social Statistics, House of Commons Library
Ross Young, UK Statistics Authority

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Whether the issue is joblessness, new businesses opening, migration, school enrolments, admissions to A&E – where do MPs and their staff go for the latest, most accurate evidence?

Is the data broken down by constituency or do you have to work with figures relating to council areas or even regions? Who’s guaranteeing the data is accurate?

Parliament itself will soon be debating the future of the ten-yearly census. How up to date is census data? Could it come on stream quicker? Do we make enough use of the information generated by the NHS, councils and the government itself?

Constituency level data is often patchy. It’s not always presented in user-friendly ways using the latest visualization techniques.

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The getstats programme includes informative and entertaining seminars and panel events which cumulatively strengthen understanding of the role of data and statistics and scene-set for training aimed at staff working with parliamentarians, supporting committees and working as researchers.

This event is organised by the Royal Statistical Society (RSS) in association with the Alliance for Useful Evidence with the support of the House of Commons Library and the All Party Parliamentary Group on Statistics.