

## Acronyms

Acronym	Meaning
A8	Accession States including Poland, Lithuania, Estonia, Latvia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Hungary and the Czech Republic
AA	Attendance Allowance
AADT	Annual Average Daily Traffic
ABI	Annual Business Inquiry
ALALFS	Annual Local Area Labour Force Survey
APS	Annual Population Survey
ASHE	Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings
BAP	Biodiversity Action Plan
BCS	British Crime Survey
BME	Black and other minority ethnic group
BVPI	Best Value Performance Indicator
CA	Countryside Agency
CAB	Citizen Advice Bureaux
CMAP	Carbon Management Action Plan
CO <sub>2</sub>	Carbon Dioxide
CSCI	Commission of Social Care Inspection
CT	Council Tax
Defra	Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
DfEE	Changed to DfES
DfES	Department for Education and Skills
DIP	Drugs Intervention Programme
DLA	Disability Living Allowance
DoH	Department of Health
DTI	Department of Trade and Industry
DWP	Department for Work and Pensions
EEA	European Economic Area
EET	Education, employment and training
ENCAMS	Environmental Campaigns (runs the Tidy Britain campaign)
EU	European Union
GCSE	General Certificate of Education
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GP	General Practitioner (Doctor)
GQA	General Quality Assessment
GVA	Gross Value Added
HC	Herefordshire Council
HCSDP	Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership
HEG	Herefordshire Environment Group formerly Environment Ambition Group (EAG)
HWA	Herefordshire Womens Aid
IDBR	Inter-Departmental Business Register
IMD	Index of Multiple Deprivation
IS	Income Support
JSA	Job Seekers Allowance
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
KSI	Killed and Seriously Injured

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LA	Local Authority
LAA	Local Area Agreement
LEA	Local Education Authority
LFS	Labour Force Survey
LLTI	Limiting Long Term Illness
LPSA2G	Local Public Service Agreement (Second Generation)
LSC	Learning & Skills Council
LSP	Local Strategic Partnership
LTP2	Local Transport Plan 2
MMR	Measles, Mumps and Rubella
MYE	Mid-Year Estimate
NDTMS	National Drug Treatment Monitoring System
NEET	NOT in education, employment or training
NES	New Earnings Survey (superseded by ASHE)
Netcen	National Environmental Technology Centre
NHS	National Health Service
NO <sub>2</sub>	Nitrogen Dioxide
NVQ	National Vocational Qualification
OA	Output Area
ODPM	Office of the Deputy Prime Minister
ONS	Office for National Statistics
PAF	Performance Assessment Framework
PC	Pension Credit
PCT	Primary Care Trust
PI	Performance Indicator
ppb	parts per billion
PPO	Prolific and Other Priority Offenders Scheme
PSA	Public Service Agreement
PSHE	Personal, Social and Health Education
QER	Quarterly Economic Report
RLS	Regional Lifestyle Survey
SAWS	Seasonal Agricultural Workers Scheme
SOA	Super Output Area
SSSIs	Sites of Special Scientific Interest
SW	South Wye area of Herefordshire
UA	Unitary Authority
VAT	Value Added Tax
WMPHO	West Midlands Public Health Observatory
WMRO	West Midlands Regional Observatory
WRS	Worker Registration Scheme
YJB	Youth Justice Board
YJS	Youth Justice System
YOS	Youth Offending Service

## References

### 1. Research Team (Herefordshire Partnership and Herefordshire Council)

The Research Team is responsible for the provision of a corporate research, statistical and advice function to Herefordshire Council and Partnership. This service provides a range of fundamental data including population, housing, economy, deprivation and social aspects which is used for many plans, strategies and funding bids.

Depending on the nature of the work that is done within the Research Team, publications are posted on either the Herefordshire Council website or the Herefordshire Partnership website. When we refer to documents on a website it will be made clear which website it is on.

For more information visit the Research Team pages on Herefordshire Council's website:  
[www.herefordshire.gov.uk/research](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/research)

Or the 'Facts & Figures' pages on Herefordshire Partnerships website:  
[www.herefordshirepartnership.com](http://www.herefordshirepartnership.com)

Or telephone 01432 383634 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

- **Herefordshire Housing Needs Assessment 2005**

This is produced as a result of the requirement for district and unitary local authorities to assess their housing needs. In addition, Planning Policy Guidance issued in 1998 (PPG3) allows local authorities to require contributions from developers towards affordable housing. Evidence from a housing needs assessment is needed for negotiations with developers. Estimates of affordable need are required for a local area to enable an exception site<sup>1</sup> to be developed (using a housing needs survey). Estimates of the need for affordable housing throughout Herefordshire are required to inform policies incorporated in the emerging Unitary Development Plan and Supplementary Planning Guidance Documents.

A copy of this report can be viewed or downloaded from the Research Team pages on Herefordshire Council's website as listed above.

- **Housing Need surveys**

There is an on-going programme of housing needs studies in the villages and market towns. For more information contact the Housing Research Officer on 01432 260464 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

- **Herefordshire Voice**

In 2001, Herefordshire Partnership set up a citizens' panel, known as Herefordshire Voice, to regularly gather the views of residents from across the county. Herefordshire Council Research Team runs the panel for the Partnership. Panelists are consulted about council services and other important local issues. Topics included in recent surveys have included access to services, the use of road safety cameras, cultural facilities, sports and parks. For more information contact the Research Team on 01432 383615 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

- **Information on Seasonal & Migrant workers in Herefordshire (a review of available data) August 2006**

This report summarises available information about numbers and origin of seasonal and migrant workers in Herefordshire. A copy of the report is available on Herefordshire Council's website or for more information contact the Research Team on 01432 291944 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk).

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<sup>1</sup> A site where development would only be permitted for affordable housing

- **Youth Survey 2005**

The Youth Survey 2005 was a postal survey to a sample of 13-18 year olds in Herefordshire. Topics included in this survey were: views about aspects of life in Herefordshire, opportunities for influencing important local decisions, a 'Herefordshire Youth Council', Connexions services, Internet access and use, information sharing between organisations, Herefordshire Youth Clubs, canoeing and sailing activities, Duke of Edinburgh Awards and cycling. An update to this survey will be going out in May 2007, with the report planned for September 2007.

A copy of the 2005 report (and the 2007 after September) can be viewed or downloaded from the Research Team pages on Herefordshire Council's website as listed above.

## 2. Herefordshire Partnership

Organisations, groups and service providers work together in the Herefordshire Partnership (a non-statutory, voluntary partnership often referred to as a Local Strategic Partnership (LSP)). Partner organisations are committed to the Community Strategy. Partners include:

- Chamber of Commerce Herefordshire & Worcestershire
- Herefordshire Association of Local Councils
- Herefordshire Council
- Herefordshire Primary Care Trust
- Learning and Skills Council, Herefordshire & Worcestershire
- Voluntary Organisations
- West Mercia Constabulary

For more information about Herefordshire Partnership; Tel: 01432 261792 or email [hfdpartnership@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:hfdpartnership@herefordshire.gov.uk) or visit [www.herefordshirepartnership.com](http://www.herefordshirepartnership.com)

- **Herefordshire Community Strategy**

Each Local Authority must produce a sustainable Community Strategy, which should be based on issues and priorities for local services, reflecting the views of local people, businesses and organisations. The Strategy was published in 2006 and sets out a shared vision for the future of Herefordshire in 2020. The Strategy was known as the Herefordshire Plan before 2006.

## 3. Output Area geographies

Statistics relating to small areas have traditionally been released on a ward basis but these have proved unsatisfactory for data dissemination. Boundaries change periodically so gathering data over time is difficult. Ward population sizes vary enormously and wards are designed for electoral representation rather than representing the demography of an area, so they are often inappropriate for other use. The Office for National Statistics has therefore produced different levels of 'output area geographies' as outlined in the table below:

Geographical Unit	Typical population size (and minimum)	Number within Herefordshire
Output Area	300 (Min. 100)	634
Super Output Area Level 1/Lower-Level (SOA1)	1,500 (Min. 1,000)	116
Super Output Area Level 2/Mid-Level (SOA2)	Target of 7,500 (Min. 5,000)	25

Official statistics are increasingly being produced for these geographies e.g. benefits data.

For more information about Output Area geographies in Herefordshire, contact the Research Team on 01432 383634 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

#### 4. Rural and Urban Area Classification

This is the product of a project commissioned jointly by the Office for National Statistics (ONS), the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM), the Countryside Agency (CA) and the Welsh Assembly Government to create a new settlement-based definition of urban and rural areas.

Classification enables pooling of data to produce comparative statistics for urban and rural areas of different types.

In 2004, classifications were published for all Census Output Areas and wards in England & Wales by **settlement form** (urban, town and fringe, village, hamlet and dispersed) and sparsity (sparse, less sparse). For details of the classifications for Herefordshire, contact Herefordshire Council Research Team.

Subsequently, a classification of Local Authorities areas (major urban, large urban, other urban, significant rural, rural-50 and rural-80) was initiated by Defra. Herefordshire is classified as rural-50; between 50% and 80% of the local authority areas population live in a rural settlement.

An introductory guide to the methodology is available via [www.statistics.gov.uk/geography/downloads/Introductory\\_Guide.pdf](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/geography/downloads/Introductory_Guide.pdf)

In terms of rural/urban breakdowns in this report comparisons are made using the four categories for settlement form at an Output Area level:

- Urban
- Rural (broken down into three smaller categories)
  - Rural Town (town and fringe)
  - Rural Village
  - Rural Dispersed (hamlet and dispersed)

For more information about the rural/urban classification for Herefordshire, contact the Research Team on 01432 383634 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

#### 5. IMD 2004 – Index of Multiple Deprivation 2004

The Index of Multiple Deprivation 2004 (IMD 2004) from the ODPM is used widely to identify areas of deprivation. Deprivation levels have been calculated by combining a number of indicators across seven domains into a single score and rank for each Super Output Area (SOA1) in England. The seven domains are income; employment; health and disability; education, skills and training; barriers to housing and services; living environment and crime.

The Index of Multiple Deprivation 2004 was commissioned by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) and produced by the Social Disadvantage Research Centre at Oxford University. <http://www.odpm.gov.uk/index.asp?id=1128444>.

For IMD statistics about Herefordshire, contact the Research Team on 01432 383634 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

## 6. West Midlands Regional Lifestyle Survey 2005

The West Midlands Regional Lifestyle Survey 2005 was carried out by West Midlands Regional Observatory (WMRO) in partnership with West Midlands Public Health Observatory (WMPHO). It is the first collaborative survey of its type to be undertaken in the region, involving nearly 50 funding partners including the NHS, Local Authorities, Learning & Skills Councils, the Police and a consortium of other regional and local organisations. Local funding partners were:

- Herefordshire Council
- Herefordshire PCT
- West Mercia Constabulary

The survey was conducted by postal questionnaire to adults aged 18 years and over between February and April 2005. It achieved a response rate of 35% in Herefordshire (2,035 returns); although lower than anticipated, this is in line with other postal surveys. The key themes covered by the survey were lifestyle and well-being, crime and fear of crime, economic activity and travel to work, local environment, quality of life, access to services and amenities and environmental issues.

The regional report and partner annexes are available via the internet ([www.wmro.org](http://www.wmro.org) and [www.wmpho.org.uk](http://www.wmpho.org.uk)). Herefordshire Council Research Team have compiled a local report which combines the data from the different partner annexes to give the overall survey results for Herefordshire. This report is available on the Herefordshire Partnership website or for more information contact the Research Team on 01432 260442 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk).

## 7. ASHE – Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings

The Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (ASHE) provides information about the levels and range of earnings, and hours worked for employees for full/part-time workers in all industries and occupations. This information is available at local authority level and for parliamentary constituencies. Earnings by occupation and industry are available just at a national level.

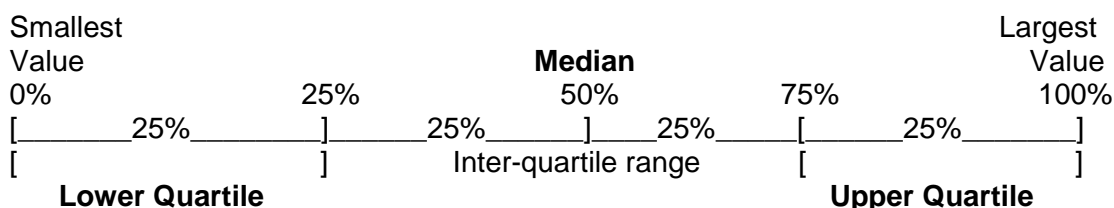
The ASHE is a new survey developed by the Office for National Statistics to replace the New Earnings Survey (NES) from 2004, to improve the methodology and accuracy of earnings data. In 2005 a new questionnaire was introduced for ASHE, which included improvements to the collection of data relating to allowances and incentive pay.

The survey is based on a 1 in 100 random sample of employee jobs where information on earnings and hours is obtained in confidence from employers. It does not cover self-employed or employees not paid during the pay period including 6th April 2006.

This data is available from <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=13101> or alternatively an article about earnings in Herefordshire in 2006 from ASHE was included in the February 2007 Quarterly Economic Report; see Reference 13.

## 8. Medians, quartiles, deciles etc

The **median** for a dataset is the value such that 50% of the data is lower and 50% of the data is higher. It is an overall summary measure that is less affected by the presence of extreme values (outliers) than the mean.



The **lower quartile** for a dataset is the value such that 25% of the data is lower and 75% of the data is higher. The **upper quartile** for a dataset is the value such that 75% of the data is lower and 25% of the data is higher. Taken together, the quartiles give the range for the middle 50% of the data (inter-quartile range).

In this report quartiles and medians have been used for two specific purposes:

- To compare earnings in Herefordshire with those elsewhere at three different points on the earnings distribution i.e. low earners (25% lower quartile), average earners (median) and high earners (25% upper decile).
- To compare performance in Herefordshire with all English Authorities. Here the terms **top quartile** and **bottom quartile** have been used.
  - If **high** values of a performance indicator are desired:
    - the top quartile of authorities equates to the upper quartile of the dataset
    - the bottom quartile of authorities equates to the lower quartile of the dataset.
  - If **low** values of a performance indicator are desired:
    - the top quartile of authorities equates to the lower quartile of the dataset
    - the bottom of authorities quartile equates to the upper quartile of the dataset.

## 9. 2001 Census

The Census is a count every ten years of all people and households in the country. Census information is used by central and local government, health authorities and many other organisations to allocate resources and plan services. The Office for National Statistics conducts the Census in England and Wales. Completion of the Census form is compulsory under the Census Act 1920, and people are liable for a fine if they do not fill it in or give false information. However people are not required to fill in the question about religion. The last census of population took place on April 29th 2001 and provides information about demographic details; tenure; housing; household amenities; car ownership; ethnic group; economic activity; qualifications; travel to work; occupation; industry group; socio-economic group; limiting long term illness, migration, religion, general health, caring commitments, and relationships within households. Data is available from 1981, 1991, 2001 censuses (at geographic levels such as county, wards, parishes and output areas). For more information visit Herefordshire Council's Research Team website pages; see Reference 1.

## 10. The DWP – Department for Work and Pensions

The Department for Work and Pensions promotes opportunity and independence for all and works to end poverty in all its forms by providing certain benefits and advice. For further information see <http://www.dwp.gov.uk/>

## 11. APS – Annual Population Survey

The Annual Population Survey (APS) is a combined survey of households in Great Britain. Its purpose is to provide information on key social and socio-economic variables between the 10-yearly censuses, with particular emphasis on providing information relating to Local Authority areas.

The APS comprises the annual Labour Force Survey (LFS) plus data from the Annual Local Area Labour Force Survey (ALALFS), and a further sample boost, the APS boost, achieving a minimum sample of 500 economically active adults in all local authority districts in England. Data is available from 2005. More information is available from:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/data/guides/labourmarket/sources/household/aps.asp>

## 12. Labour Force Survey

The Labour Force Survey is now encompassed within the APS as mentioned above, however it has been used to provide data before the APS was launched.

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) is a very large survey designed to give information about the number of people with jobs, the details of these jobs, the job-search activities of those without work, and so on. The results are used by government (central and local), researchers and academics, and international organisations.

The main estimates of employment and unemployment in the UK are taken from the LFS, and are published every month in the Labour Market Statistics First Release, and in Labour Market Trends. They are shown alongside information about other aspects of the labour market, from different sources, so that people can consider the latest information not only about employment and unemployment, but also about vacancies, earnings, and productivity, for example.

The survey is based on a random sample throughout the whole of the United Kingdom. Every three months almost 65,000 households are contacted. The LFS is the largest regular household survey in the country. The survey collects information about the personal circumstances and work of everyone living in these households.

Further information is available from: [www.statistics.gov.uk](http://www.statistics.gov.uk)

## 13. Quarterly Economic Report (QER)

The QER is produced by the Research Team with the aim of keeping people in the county up-to-date with local economic issues. The document is produced four times a year, at the end of February, May, August and November. These months were chosen to tally with the months when Land Registry House Price data are released. The QER is published in hard copy and on the Herefordshire Partnership website. The following articles are included each quarter as well as articles giving annual updates for larger datasets such as earnings, industry of employment, agricultural census:

- News (local papers)
- Unemployment (claimant count)
- Property Prices (HM Land Registry)

Articles on other topics such as the Index of Multiple Deprivation, rural/urban classifications are covered as and when new information is published.

Since November 2006, the QER has been published in bulletin format with a 1 or 2 page summaries of data sets rather than full articles which can be very detailed. The full articles are still produced and are available through a link in the electronic bulletin of the QER on the Herefordshire Partnership website.

For a copy of the Quarterly Economic Report visit Herefordshire Partnership's website [www.herefordshirepartnership.com/qer](http://www.herefordshirepartnership.com/qer)

Or call the Research Team on 01432 383634 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

#### **14. Annual Business Inquiry (ABI)**

Employment figures are sourced from the Annual Business Inquiry (ABI), the latest date for which was 2005 (released in 2006). The ABI survey samples 78,000 workplace units in the UK including a proportion of those in Herefordshire, from which the number of employee jobs in each sector and each ward are estimated. The ABI does not include self-employed and historically numbers of employees in the agricultural sector have been under represented.

For more information about the ABI see <http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/articles/208.aspx> or alternatively an article about 2004 ABI results for Herefordshire was included in the February 2006 QER (see reference 13). An update giving the 2005 data will also be available in the May 2007 QER.

#### **15. Agricultural Census**

The Agricultural Census is carried out every June by Defra (Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs). This is a sample survey (of between 45,000 and 75,000 holdings in England) where farmers are required to state what agricultural activity is happening on the land as of June each year. This includes information relating to land use, crops, livestock, labour, horticulture and areas covered by glasshouse (glazed or plastic covered, fixed or mobile structures including walk through polythene tunnels). Latest data was available as of September 2006 for the **June 2005** census.

More information is available from

[http://www.defra.gov.uk/esg/work\\_htm/publications/cs/farmstats\\_web/datamap\\_links/search\\_menu.asp](http://www.defra.gov.uk/esg/work_htm/publications/cs/farmstats_web/datamap_links/search_menu.asp) or alternatively an article about 2005 Agricultural Census results was included in the November 2006 QER (see Reference 13).

#### **16. Office for National Statistics (ONS)**

ONS produces Official UK Statistics relating to Britain's economy, population and society at national and local level. Summaries and detailed data releases are published via <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/>

#### **17. Local Transport Plan 2 (LTP2)**

For further information about the Local Transport Plan, contact Herefordshire Council's Transportation Planning Team on 01432 260968  
[www.herefordshire.gov.uk/ltp](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/ltp)

#### **18. Economic Development Strategy**

The latest strategy is available on Herefordshire Council's website using the link below

[http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/business/economic\\_development/89.asp](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/business/economic_development/89.asp)

For more information about the Economic Development Strategy, contact Herefordshire Council's Economic Investment & Development Team on 01432 261758  
or email: [economicinvestment@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:economicinvestment@herefordshire.gov.uk)

#### **19. 'Choosing Health'**

For more information about the Governments 'Choosing health' paper, visit the Department of Health website. [www.dh.gov.uk](http://www.dh.gov.uk)

## **20. Older People's Strategy**

This strategy is currently being developed by Herefordshire Partnership and in consultation with a range of organisations. The final report is due in 2007. For further information, contact Herefordshire Council (Community services) on 01432 260667.

## **21. Herefordshire Primary Care Trust - A Strategy for Success: A Statement of Intent**

This paper provides a summary of the strategy being adopted by Herefordshire PCT to improve the health and health services of the people of Herefordshire. It explains the policy context within which the PCT is working, describes the PCT's role and key functions, comments on the main NHS reforms currently being implemented and sets out the main issues which need to be addressed in our local agenda.

More information is available from [http://www.herefordshire.nhs.uk/Portals/0/New\\_Strategy\\_Success.pdf](http://www.herefordshire.nhs.uk/Portals/0/New_Strategy_Success.pdf)

## **22. Herefordshire's Environmental Strategy**

This Environment Strategy seeks to place environmental issues on an equal footing with economic and social concerns within the context of sustainable development. For more information visit [www.herefordshire.gov.uk/environment](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/environment)

## **23. Herefordshire's Biodiversity Action Plan**

Biodiversity encompasses the whole variety of life on Earth. In 2000, A Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) for Herefordshire was published and there has since been a 2005 update. For more information contact Herefordshire Biodiversity Partnership on 01432 260000 or visit [www.herefordbap.org.uk](http://www.herefordbap.org.uk)

## **24. Climate change**

### **• Herefordshire's Climate Change Strategy**

The Herefordshire Climate Change Strategy, to be launched in Summer 2006, is the result of work done by the Herefordshire Environment Group (HEG), formerly the Environment Ambition Group (EAG). The Strategy focuses strongly on awareness raising and education about climate change and also includes responsibility, efficiency, mitigation and adaptation issues.

For more information about Herefordshire's Climate Change Strategy, contact Herefordshire Partnership's Environmental Co-ordinator, Tel: 04132 260707

### **• Herefordshire Council Carbon Management Action Plan (CMAP)**

The purpose of the CMAP is to define the steps that Herefordshire Council will take to secure its contribution to the carbon dioxide reduction targets as part of the Herefordshire Partnership Climate Change Strategy.

A detailed baseline emissions inventory was determined for 2002, covering activities that are directly controlled by the council or upon which it has an influence. This includes emissions associated with fossil fuel consumption and electricity use in corporate buildings, schools and street lighting; employee transport and commuting and also emissions of methane from closed and operational landfill sites. Targets have been set and actions identified to achieve a 12.5% reduction in emissions by 2012 and a 20% reduction by 2020.

For more information about Herefordshire Council's Carbon Management Action Plan, contact Herefordshire Council's Environmental Sustainability Unit, Tel: 04132 260707

- **Herefordshire Greenhouse Gas Inventory (Reference Year 2002) – Herefordshire Partnership**

This inventory was published in 2005 as part of the Herefordshire Partnership Climate Change Programme. It provides a detailed explanation about greenhouse gases and analysis of emissions from Herefordshire for the reference year of 2002. Targets for reductions in emissions are also presented.

For more information about Herefordshire Greenhouse Gas Inventory, contact Herefordshire Council's Environmental Sustainability Unit, Tel: 04132 260707

- **Experimental Statistics on carbon dioxide emissions at Local Authority and Regional Level – Defra Statistics Summary (October 2005)**

Defra commissioned the National Environmental Technology Centre (Netcen) to produce a set of experimental statistics of CO2 emissions for local authority areas. These figures, along with a detailed methodological report, were published in August 2005.

The estimates combined data from the National atmospheric Emissions Inventory with newly available local energy consumption data from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to develop for the first time in 2005 a nationally consistent set of CO2 emissions estimates down to local authority level, which attributes the emissions from electricity generation (about 30% of total UK emissions) to the location of customers rather than the location of power stations. This re-allocation of power station emissions is one of the key characteristics of this data set. The general principle is that emissions are distributed according to the point of energy consumption (or point of emission if not energy related).

The estimates were produced to assist those using local emissions accounting as a tool in developing emissions reduction strategies. The methodological report identifies some limitations relating to specific elements of the estimates, for example road transport emissions estimates rely on national traffic statistics and distribution of traffic on minor roads has been imputed at local level from regional level data.

Defra's summary report and the full methodological report produced by Netcen is available from [www.defra.gov.uk/environment/statistics/globalatmos/galocalghg.htm](http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/statistics/globalatmos/galocalghg.htm).

## **25. Herefordshire Council's Community Involvement Strategy**

Local Authorities are increasingly expected by Central Government and external funders to base their decisions on direct communication with local people, interest groups (so called stakeholders), and do so in a planned and coordinated way. Audit Commission guidance on Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) and the Governments published White Paper emphasises the role of community involvement in improving Council performance and in identifying the needs and aspirations of local people.

For more information or a copy of the Strategy contact the Community Involvement Coordinator, Herefordshire Partnership, by telephone (01432 383032) or visit [www.herefordshirepartnership.com](http://www.herefordshirepartnership.com)

A wider Herefordshire Partnership Community Involvement Strategy is currently being written with a view of being able to co-ordinate consultation throughout the county. Once this has been adopted it will be published on the Herefordshire Partnership website.

## **26. West Midlands Regional Observatory (WMRO)**

The aim of the regional observatory is to help partners across the region to find the data, information and intelligence they need about the West Midlands, easily and efficiently, through signposting and by undertaking research. The observatory also aims to promote co-ordinated working between partners, and to prevent duplication of activity. <http://www.wmro.org>

## **27. West Midlands Public Health Observatory (WMPHO)**

The aim of the WMPHO is to improve the health of the public by providing health information and supporting the public health workforce throughout the region.  
<http://www.wmpho.org.uk/observatory>

## **28. Joseph Rowntree Foundation**

The Joseph Rowntree Foundation (JRF) published a study in October 2005 looking at the affordability of housing across the country: '**Affordability and the intermediate housing market**' by Steve Wilcox. (Accessible via [www.jrf.org.uk](http://www.jrf.org.uk)). A summary of the latest study and two previous studies were reported in editions of the Quarterly Economic Report (November 2005, November 2004 and August 2003) see Reference 13.

## **29. Herefordshire Council's Corporate Plan (2007-2010)**

Herefordshire Council's Corporate Plan sets out how the council plans to contribute to the Herefordshire Community Strategy by improving efficiency and effectiveness of its services.

For more information contact Herefordshire Council's Corporate Policy Team on 01432 261816 or visit [www.herefordshire.gov.uk](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk)

## **30. Local Public Service Agreement Second Generation (LPSA2G)**

Local Public Service Agreements (LPSAs) are a voluntary agreement negotiated between local authorities, working with their partners through Local Strategic Partnerships (LSPs) and the Government. The overall aim of LPSAs is to improve the delivery of local public services by focusing on enhanced, targeted outcomes with support from Government. The current LPSA2 programme runs from April 2005 to March 2008. For more information contact Herefordshire Partnership; see Reference 2.

## **31. Local Area Agreement (LAA)**

Local Area Agreements (LAAs) are three year agreements, based on local Community Strategies, that set out the priorities for a local area. These are agreed between Central Government (represented by the Government Office) and the local area (represented by the local authority and other key partners through Local Strategic Partnerships (LSPs)).

The primary objective of LAAs is to deliver genuinely sustainable communities through better outcomes for local people. LAAs also have the secondary objectives of:

- Improving Central and Local Government relations
- Enhancing efficiency
- Strengthening partnership working
- Offering a framework within which local authorities can enhance their community leadership role.

For more information contact Herefordshire Partnership; see Reference 2.

## **32. Every Child Matters: Change for Children**

Every Child Matters: Change for Children is the Government's new approach to ensure the well-being of children and young people from birth to age 19. Every Child Matters aims to introduce cross-Government working with local partners to achieve better outcomes for children and young people. [www.everychildmatters.gov.uk](http://www.everychildmatters.gov.uk)

### **33. Health for Herefordshire - Annual report of the Director of Public Health, Herefordshire PCT**

The annual report from Herefordshire Primary Care Trust provides local health statistics for Herefordshire. The State of Herefordshire report makes reference to both the 2004-05 and the 2006 reports. A copy of the latest report is available for download from Herefordshire's NHS website. <http://www.herefordshire.nhs.uk/>

### **34. Commission for Social Care Inspection (CSCI) & Performance Assessment Framework – Social Services (PAF)**

The Commission for Social Care Inspection (CSCI) was set up in April 2004. Its main purpose is to provide a clear, independent assessment of the state of social care services in England, using a Performance Assessment Framework (PAF). CSCI brings together into one body the social care components of the work of the National Care Standards Commission, the Social Services Inspectorate (SSI) and the SSI/Audit Commission Joint Review Team. CSCI combines inspection, review, performance and regulatory functions across the range of social care services in the public and independent sectors. For more information, visit [www.csci.org.uk](http://www.csci.org.uk)

### **35. Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership (HCSDP)**

The Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership is committed to working together to make Herefordshire a safer place to live, work and visit. The HCSDP was formed by merging the Herefordshire Community Safety Partnership and Herefordshire Drugs Action Team.

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 placed a statutory duty on local authorities and the police to act in co-operation with probation services, health authorities and other relevant agencies, to work together to develop and implement a strategy for tackling crime and disorder in their area. This was later amended in the Police Reform Act 2002 to include the police authorities, fire services and the primary care trusts. Along with the aforementioned agencies, the Partnership also has members from the Youth Offending Service, Registered Social Landlords Forum and the Voluntary Sector Assembly at a strategic level.

For more information about the HCSDP contact them on 01432 263523 or email [communitysafety@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:communitysafety@herefordshire.gov.uk)

- **Audit of Crime, Disorder and Drugs within Herefordshire 2004**

Every three years, the Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership is required by law to undertake an audit of levels and patterns of crime and disorder in the area to carry out community consultation to determine what the problems are in Herefordshire. HCSDP achieved this by collecting various statistics, surveys, plans and research, by holding focus group and community meetings and by undertaking an in-depth analysis to determine the audit findings.

For a copy of the audit or more information contact Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership (see reference 35).

- **Herefordshire Crime, Disorder and Drugs Reduction Strategy 2005-08**

Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership is required to draw up and implement a three-year strategy to address the problems identified in the audit.

For more information or a copy of the strategy contact Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership (see Reference 35).

## **36. Youth Offending Service Herefordshire and Worcestershire (YOS)**

YOS is one of the partners of the Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership and provide data about young offenders.

For more information see the contact details below:

Worcestershire & Herefordshire Youth Offending Service

Tel: 01905 732 200

## **37. Best Value Performance Indicators (BVPIs)**

BVPIs provide a rounded view of performance of local authority service delivery. They are designed to:

- enable central Government to monitor progress over a period of time
- allow authorities to compare their performance against that of their peers
- provide residents with information about the performance of their local authority

For information about BVPIs, contact Herefordshire Council's Corporate Policy Team on 01432 383401 or visit [www.bvpi.gov.uk](http://www.bvpi.gov.uk)

## **38. Herefordshire Satisfaction Surveys, Herefordshire Council**

Every year the Research Team conduct a residents satisfaction survey across all of Herefordshire. Once every three years this is the compulsory Best Value General Survey and in other years a similar survey is run to allow continual monitoring of residents views.

### **• Herefordshire Councils Best Value General Survey**

As directed by the Office for the Deputy Prime Minister, Herefordshire Council conducts a Best Value General Survey every three years, which collects information from about 1,100 residents on their views on Council services and various other aspects of life in Herefordshire. ODPM collates data from all local authorities and publishes figures for BVPIs that are based on survey results. Best Value Surveys were carried out in 2003 and 2006.

For further information and results, contact the Research Team on 01432 383615 or [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

Or visit <http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk/performance/dataprovision.asp>

### **• Herefordshire Councils Annual Satisfaction Survey**

Herefordshire Council carried out their first Annual Satisfaction Survey in 2005 to seek residents views on services and various aspects of life in Herefordshire in the years between the triennial statutory surveys.

For further information and results of the 2005 survey please contact the Research Team on 01432 383615 or [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

## **39. Teenage Lifestyle Survey**

In October 2006, the first of a new programme of Teenage Lifestyle Surveys was conducted, involving a sample of approximately 4,000 11-15 year olds through maintained secondary schools in Herefordshire. This survey covered topics such as diet, sport and activity, alcohol consumption, smoking, drug use, bullying and volunteering.

For further information and the report for Herefordshire please see Herefordshire Councils website or contact the Research Team on 01432 383615 or [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk)

#### 40. Home Office

The Home Office is the government department responsible for internal affairs in England and Wales. It works to build a safe, just and tolerant society, to enhance opportunities for all, and to ensure the protection and security of the public is maintained. [www.homeoffice.gov.uk](http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk)

- **Crime in England & Wales 05-06**

This bulletin brings together statistics from the British Crime Survey (BCS) and crimes recorded by the police to provide a comprehensive account of the latest patterns and trends for the main high volume crimes.

A copy of this report can be viewed or downloaded from the Home Office website as listed above.

#### 41. Class A drugs

Classifications Categories	Drugs Type	Possession Maximum Sentence	Supply Maximum Sentence
Class A Drugs	Cocaine Crack Cocaine Ecstasy Heroin LSD Fresh Magic Mushrooms (containing psilocin) Methadone	7 years imprisonment & unlimited fine.	Life imprisonment & unlimited fine
Class B Drugs	Amphetamines DF118s (dihydrocodeine)	5 years imprisonment & unlimited fine	14 years imprisonment & unlimited fine
Class C Drugs	Anabolic steroids Benzodiazepines (tranquillisers such as diazepam [Valium], nitrazepam [Mogadon] and temazepam. GHB (gammahydroxybutyrate) Cannabis Ketamine (from Jan. 2005 and also governed under the Medicines Act)	2 years imprisonment & unlimited fine	14 years imprisonment & unlimited fine

Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 – classifications of drugs.

NB: other drugs such as 'poppers' are controlled under the Medicines Act.

#### 42. West Mercia Joint Local Crime and Safety Survey

West Mercia Police Authority, West Mercia Constabulary, the Criminal Justice Service and Community Safety Partnerships within West Mercia joined forces to produce an annual crime and safety survey, starting from 2005. Postal surveys were sent out across Shropshire, Herefordshire, Telford & Wrekin and Worcestershire. Results will be used to assess whether respondents believe their area is becoming safer and inform future policing and partnership priorities. This survey will be carried out annually from 2005 onwards. For further information contact Herefordshire Community Safety and Drugs Partnership (see Reference 35) or visit <http://www.westmerciapoliceauthority.gov.uk/content.php?getlabel=CONSULTATION>

## **43. Countryside Agency (CA)**

The Countryside Agency is a statutory body working to conserve and enhance the English countryside and to promote social equity and economic opportunity for the people who live and work in the countryside. [www.countryside.gov.uk](http://www.countryside.gov.uk)

- **State of the Countryside Report**

The State of the Countryside Report is the Countryside Agency's annual publication which seeks to provide an informative overview of facts and trends about the social, economic and environmental issues encountered in England's countryside, available from the above website.

## **44. Health Survey for England 2001 – Disability**

This work was undertaken on behalf of the Department of Health by Madhavi Baiekal & Alison Prescott (National Centre for Social Research, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at the Royal Free and University College Medical School). The main aim of this report was to provide estimates of the prevalence of disability for those living in private households in England. This report is available from [www.tso.co.uk/bookshop](http://www.tso.co.uk/bookshop)

## **45. Department of Food and Rural Affairs (Defra)**

This Government department has an overarching aim of sustainable development. The goal of sustainable development is to enable all people throughout the world to satisfy their basic needs and enjoy a better quality of life, without compromising the quality of life of future generations. More information about Defra is available from <http://www.defra.gov.uk/>

- **Defras Rural Evidence Hub**

The Rural Evidence Hub provides access to statistics for rural areas along with a Geographical Information Systems (GIS) mapping facility. More information is available via <http://www.defra.gov.uk/rural/research/default.htm>

- **The Air Quality Regulations 2000**

For more information about air quality and the 2000 regulations visit <http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/airquality/index.htm>

## **46. Citizen Advice Bureaux**

The Citizens Advice service helps people resolve their legal, money and other problems by providing free, independent and confidential advice, and by influencing policymakers. For more information contact Herefordshire CAB on 0870 1264091 or visit [www.herefordshirecab.org.uk](http://www.herefordshirecab.org.uk)

## **47. Local Area Profiles – Audit Commission**

Local Area Profiles produced by the Audit Commission provide a wide ranging picture of the quality of life and public services in a local area. They bring together data, information and assessments for every local authority area in England. For more information visit [www.audit-commission.gov.uk/areaprofiles](http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk/areaprofiles)

#### **48. General Household Survey (GHS)**

Results from the Office for National Statistics' General Household Survey present a picture of households, families and people living in Great Britain. Government departments and other organisations (such as educational establishments, businesses and charities) use this information to contribute to policy decisions and for planning and monitoring purposes.

The main aim of the GHS is to collect data on a range of core topics. These are households, families and people, housing tenure and household accommodation, access to and ownership of consumer durables, employment, education, health and use of health services, smoking, drinking, family information, including marriage, cohabitation and fertility, income, demographic information about household members, migration. For more information visit <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/ghs/>

#### **49. 2005 House Condition Survey for Herefordshire**

This survey establishes the condition of houses in Herefordshire. For more information contact Herefordshire Council's Strategic Housing Team on 01432 261913.

#### **50. South Wye data (SW)**

South Wye has been chosen as a specific focus in this report as it is an area within Herefordshire with relatively high levels of deprivation and is an area which has received SRB (Single Regeneration Budget) funding with a view reduced the 'deprivation gap' between that area and the county as a whole.

The data used to highlight these differences come from a variety of sources, where the data allows this can simply be analysed at a 'South Wye' level alternatively information has been collected just for the South Wye area, in the form of a residents survey.

- **South Wye Residents' Survey 2006 (South Wye Regeneration Partnership)**

Report presenting the findings of a survey of 751 residents of the South Wye Regeneration Partnership area conducted face to face in their home from mid-February to mid-March 2006. The sample was broadly representative of all residents in terms of age, gender and employment status. The survey was conducted as part of the end term evaluation of the SRB Partnership and to inform the future strategy of the Partnership or its successor organisation.

For more information about the South Wye Regeneration Partnership visit [www.southwye.org.uk](http://www.southwye.org.uk) or contact the South Wye Regeneration Manager on 01432 383230

#### **51. CLG - Department of Communities and Local Government**

Formerly the Office for the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM). For more information visit [www.communities.gov.uk](http://www.communities.gov.uk)

#### **52. Active People survey - Sport England**

This survey collected information on the level of people's physical activity and was conducted by Ipsos MORI, on behalf of Sport England. A total of 363,724 adults aged 16+ living in England took part in the survey, which was performed by Computer Aided Telephone Interviewing (CATI). The available data is used to measure several National KPIs that reflect sports contribution within the Comprehensive Performance Assessment and Local Area Agreements for local government. For more information visit [http://www.sportengland.org/index/get\\_resources/research/tracking/active\\_people\\_survey.htm](http://www.sportengland.org/index/get_resources/research/tracking/active_people_survey.htm)

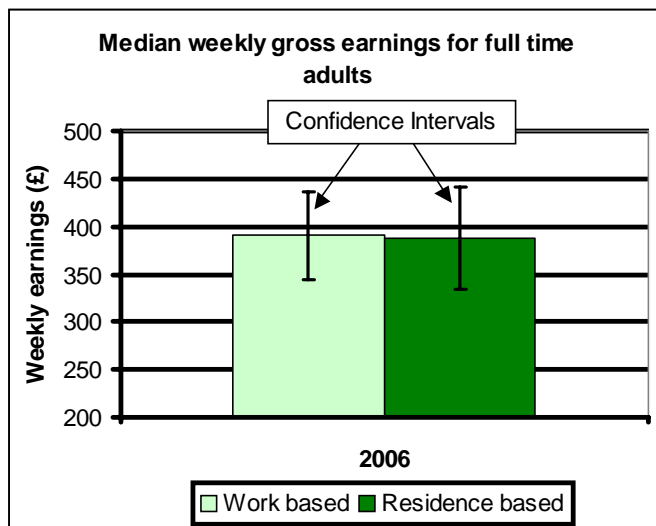
## 53. Confidence Intervals

Surveying a large enough sample of a particular population enables estimates to be made for the population as a whole. Confidence Intervals (C.I.) give an indication of the possible margin of error around these estimates. The smaller the sample size and the greater the degree of variation, the wider the C.I. will be.

It is important to use confidence intervals when making comparisons using results drawn from sample surveys, as differences seen between the published figures may not be statistically significant. For example, if the ranges of the confidence interval for each of the estimates overlap with each other then it is possible that the 'true values' are actually the same.

Confidence intervals are used for a number of data sets throughout this report, e.g. Annual Business Inquiry, Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings and Satisfaction Surveys. See below for an example based on the ASHE data.

In 2006, the published figure for residence based earnings was £387.90 and the figure for work based earnings was £390.60, which suggests that work based earnings were slightly higher than residence based.



However the confidence levels around both of these figures overlap (see Chart) which show that statistically there is no measurable difference between earnings of those who work in Herefordshire and earnings of those who live in Herefordshire but do not necessarily work in the county.

In this report confidence intervals may be explicit as in the chart above, or simply be reflected in the commentary, i.e. differences may be highlighted if they are statistically significant and apparent differences not mentioned if they are not statistically significant.

If you have any queries about confidence intervals please contact the Research Team on 01432 383634 or email [researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:researchteam@herefordshire.gov.uk).

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