Understanding Society User Support - Support #1387

Estimates of UK population

07/29/2020 01:51 PM - Marina Fernandez Reino

Status:	Resolved	Start date:	07/29/2020
Priority:	High	% Done:	100%
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Description

• Hi,

I have a basic query regarding the estimates of the share of the foreign-born population aged 16 and above based on Understanding Society data. Using the last wave (i_) and weight i_indinui_xw, I get that 10% of the UK population age 16+ is foreign born (in order to calculate this, I use bornuk_dv and i_dvage). However, based on the Annual Population Survey 2019, which is used by the ONS for their population estimates, I get that 16% of the UK resident population aged 16+ is foreign born. I am concerned about this discrepancy because I want to use Understanding Society to estimate certain categories of vulnerable migrant population and then construct population estimates based on the shares.

Best wishes

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History

#1 - 07/29/2020 02:27 PM - Alita Nandi

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- Assignee set to Alita Nandi
- % Done changed from 0 to 10
- Private changed from Yes to No

Many thanks for your enquiry. The Understanding Society team is looking into it and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

We aim to respond to simple queries within 48 hours and more complex issues within 7 working days. While we will aim to keep to this response times due to the current coronavirus (COVID-19) related situation it may take us longer to respond.

Best wishes.

Alita

On behalf of Understanding Society User Support Team

#2 - 07/30/2020 02:46 AM - Alita Nandi

- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback
- Assignee changed from Alita Nandi to Marina Fernandez Reino
- % Done changed from 10 to 50

Hello,

Please take a look at the discussion in this working paper about this issue on pg 19-20 & see Table 6. https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/research/publications/525964

[Borowaska, M. (2019) "Improving population and sub-group coverage: who is missing and what can be done about it?" Understanding Society Working Paper Series, No. 2019-15]

If this does not answer your question please let us know.

Best wishes,

Alita

#3 - 11/23/2020 08:12 AM - Alita Nandi

- % Done changed from 50 to 90

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#4 - 10/13/2021 11:24 AM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from Feedback to Resolved
- Assignee deleted (Marina Fernandez Reino)
- % Done changed from 90 to 100

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