

Background

Please confirm you have read and understood this important background information.

Yes, I have read and understood the information on this page.

About you

1 What is your name?

Name:

2 What is your email address?

3 What is your organisation?

Organisation:

None

Section one: Measuring prices across the economy

1 Should ONS identify a main measure of price change across the economy?

Yes

Why? Please provide comments.:

So all know what is going on in general terms

2 If you answered 'yes' to question 1a, then what should this measure be?

the CPIH, as recommended in the Johnson review. The CPIH includes owner-occupiers' housing costs. It does not currently hold the National statistics designation (although its reassessment is due to commence shortly). The index is a UK measure, designed by ONS to meet UK needs.

Why? Please provide comments.:

Most comprehensive and restores housing from abolition

3. Should its production be governed by legislation?

Not Answered

Why? Please provide comments.:

Do not know

Section two: Measuring consumer price inflation for different household types

4 Should ONS seek to measure changes in prices as experienced by different households?

Not Answered

Why? How often? Please provide comments.:

5 If yes, how should ONS seek to do so?

Not Answered

Why? Please provide comments.:

Section three: The RPI

6 Do you use the following indices? (Please select those that you use)

RPIJ, RPIY

If yes, for what purposes? Please provide comments.:

As I do know the difference I rely on my pension provider to use the one I contracted for on leaving my employer there being an "RPI or 5% which is max" clause in my contract. Essential to continue for lifespan of any remaining alive

7 Do you agree that the following indices should be discontinued? (Please select those that you suggest should be discontinued)

Why? Please provide comments.:

8 Do you have any views on what 'freezing' changes to the RPI should mean in practice?

Yes

Why? Please provide comments.:

It would get out of date, well I hope I have understood.

Section four: Evolving consumer price statistics

9 Are the priorities identified by ONS in its forward work plan appropriate?

Not Answered

Why? Please provide comments.:

10 Should ONS include council tax in the CPIH?

Yes

Why? Please provide comments.:

Obviously part of cost of living. Typical of suggestions by government to exclude awkward items. Why not exclude fuel except when prices going down. That would save £b a year on pensions - do not tell GO!

Additional information

Do you have any further comments relevant to this consultation?

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I am obviously years out of date having been brought up on Paasche and Laspere. But the opportunity to obtain up to date (instantaneous) volume data as well as price data via the data from retailers etc, gives you the opportunity to use the square root of the two. That would be really stabilizing. When inflation accounting was introduced over the dead bodies of most accountants I had to educate them about indices. An essay I wrote may be had on application - it was used at CSSC!

User satisfaction

Overall, how satisfied were you with this online consultation service today?

Very satisfied

Please tell us if there are any specific areas for improvement, or if you have any other comments.: