

REPORT OF A BREACH OF THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR STATISTICS

1. Core Information

Title and link to statistical output	Research Outputs: Coverage-adjusted administrative data population estimates for England and Wales, 2011 Research Outputs: Coverage-adjusted administrative data population estimates for England and Wales, 2011
Name of producer organisation	Office for National Statistics (ONS)
Name and contact details of person dealing with report	Debra Prestwood, Director General, Office for National Statistics, Government Buildings, Cardiff Road, Newport, NP10 8XG.
Link to published statement about the breach (if relevant)	
Date of breach report	08/03/2018

2. Circumstances of breach

Relevant principle(s) and practice(s)	Trustworthiness: T3.6 – Orderly release - statistics should be released at 9.30am on a weekday
Date of occurrence of breach	08/03/2018
The root cause of the breach is not currently known. The publishing step failed with an error, which suggested a failure in the decryption process, which makes files available to users of the website. The release was published on 08/03/2018 at 10:07.	

3. Impact of the breach

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4. Corrective actions (taken or planned) to prevent re-occurrence

The failure was investigated but we do not have sufficient logging or data in the relevant components of the publishing system to identify and fully understand the particular issue which caused this breach. Additional and more detailed logging will be implemented in the publishing system to allow us to improve our ability to capture, diagnose and help resolve such errors should they reoccur. Longer term, changes to our publishing process design will remove the affected components.
