

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

[REDACTED]
(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA261020-8209

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information which the GLA received on 22 October 2020. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for:

I am trying to put together some data visuals using predictive analytics of the demographic, economic and social changes to London since 01 Jan 2020 to current day. Below is a breakdown of the areas that I would like to cover from 01 Jan 2020 to current day

Our response to your request is as follows:

Demographic landscape

- *How many Londoners have moved or are considering to move out of London since the pandemic?*
- *I realise that this may not be possible but are you able to provide any data that shows where in London these people currently live by borough and where they are considering moving to?*

The GLA does not hold information within scope of this part of your request.

Economic landscape

- *Can you provide any data on the number of businesses that have ceased trading as a result of covid 19?*

Beyond company insolvency data (which is slightly out of scope), you may be interested in the following (this data hasn't been published yet and won't be till 2021):

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/monthly-insolvency-statistics-september-2020?utm_source=ea1ca8ac-e246-4fe9-8996-8a0929be7593&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=daily

On new business/business closures there's the new ONS quarterly business demography data¹ (closures can't be attributed to CV).

- *Can you provide a number of those living in London who have lost their jobs due to the pandemic?*

The Labour market analysis can be found here <https://data.london.gov.uk/briefings/>

- *Would you hold any data for changes in the number of people selling and buying residential property in London since 01 Jan 2020?*

The number of housing transactions is the UK House Price Index data² (This can only be filtered to London).

- *The number of offices that have closed in London since the pandemic.*

The GLA does not hold information within scope of this part of your request.

Social

- *Would you have any data that shows the changing lifestyle attitudes of Londoners since the pandemic? E.g. Changes in standard of living - e.g. the need for an outdoor space, or the desire to move to a larger property, or relocate out of London altogether. Work life balance - has this improved or not?*

Sources that you may find useful, include:

1. ONS – Coronavirus and the social impacts on Great Britain³
2. University of Essex⁴
3. GLA Socio-economic impact of COVID-19⁵

- *Change of career*
- *Mental Health - Has there been a change in the number of Londoners experiencing mental health issues pre and post covid?*

The GLA does not hold information within scope of this part of your request.

- *Drug, alcohol, and smoking levels - Has this increased, decreased or remained level since covid?*

The PHE Fingertips tool is the best source of information for these categories:

<https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/>

¹<https://www.ons.gov.uk/businessindustryandtrade/business/activitysizeandlocation/datasets/businessdemographyquarterlyexperimentalstatisticsuk>

² <https://landregistry.data.gov.uk/app/ukhpi/browse?from=2019-08-01&location=http%3A%2F%2Flandregistry.data.gov.uk%2Fid%2Fregion%2FUnited-kingdom&to=2020-08-01&lang=en>

³<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/healthandsocialcare/healthandwellbeing/bulletins/coronavirusandthesocialimpactsongreatbritain/previousReleases>

⁴ <https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/topic/covid-19>

⁵ <https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/socio-economic-impact-of-covid-19>

- *Domestic Violence -Has this increased, decreased or remained level since covid?*

For domestic abuse, please refer to the following MPS dashboard:

<https://www.met.police.uk/sd/stats-and-data/met/covid-19-dashboard/>

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely



Information Governance Officer

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<https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information>