

## An Introduction to the Updated ASHE-Census Dataset

Join the Wage and Employment Dynamics (WED) team for an update on a new linked dataset that expands the set of personal characteristics observed for employees in the Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (ASHE). The team will explain the capabilities of the ASHE-Census linked data and report on the improved linkage rate in Version 2 of the dataset.

### About this event

In this webinar, the WED team will update researchers on work to link individual records in ASHE with individual records in the 2011 Census for England and Wales.

Version 1 of the linked dataset was released in September 2022 and linked 62% of eligible records in ASHE to individual records from the 2011 Census. In Version 2 of the dataset (to be released in Spring 2023), the linkage rate has been improved to 74%.

Where a link has been established, it has been possible for ASHE to incorporate employee-level data from the 2011 Census on a range of personal characteristics, including the employee's educational qualifications, country of birth, ethnicity, religion, and disability status. These Census data items are available for the matched individual in any year that they appear in ASHE. The linked dataset is being made available to researchers via the ONS Secure Research Service and provides opportunities for new research on issues such as the returns to education and wage inequality.

The webinar will provide researchers with an overview of the linkage process and outcomes. It will also illustrate the capabilities of the linked dataset and explain how potential users can gain access to it.

The webinar will consist of one 25-minute presentation, followed by 20 minutes for questions and discussion.

The webinar is likely to be of interest to both existing and new users of the ASHE data.

The session will be led by WED research team member **John Forth** (Reader in Human Resource Management, Bayes Business School).

**When:** Monday 13 March 2023

**Time:** 11.00-11.45

**Where:** Online event

**Cost:** Free

**Registration:** [Via registration form](#)

### About the WED project

The Wage and Employment Dynamics project, funded by ADR UK, is linking data from various official surveys and administrative datasets, with the objective of providing new insights into the dynamics of earnings and employment in the UK. At the heart of this work is the Office for National Statistics' Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (ASHE), which forms a critical source of information on the earnings of employees in the UK.