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UK Electoral Statistics 2001

Errors were found in the 2001 UK Electoral Statistics, which were put onto the National Statistics website on 12 April 2001.

In compiling statistics for parliamentary electors (people registered to vote in parliamentary elections), data for Peers and European Citizens were incorrectly included whilst data for overseas electors were excluded.

Figures for people registered to vote in local government elections for a few local government areas have also been revised. These are late changes that were omitted from the original table.

The data shown on the website are now correct. The First Release, *UK Electoral Statistics 2001*, has been revised accordingly and is attached.

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The number of parliamentary electors on the electoral registers increased by 122,214 (0.3 per cent) between 2000 and 2001, to 44,545,654 according to new statistics published today by National Statistics on the National Statistics website.

The number of local government electors in the UK rose by 140,109 (0.3 per cent) between 2000 and 2001 to 44,895,998.

For the parliamentary electors there were increases in the numbers of electors in England of 107,117 (0.3 per cent) to 37,101,328; Wales 5,737 (0.3 per cent) to 2,238,211; Scotland 8,984 (0.2 per cent) to 4,001,018 and for Northern Ireland 376 (0.03 per cent) to 1,205,097.

The Isle of Wight remains the largest constituency in the United Kingdom with 104,702 parliamentary electors. Western Isles remains the constituency with the fewest number of parliamentary electors, at 21,941.

There were increases in the number of local government electors in England of 123,833 (0.3 per cent) to 37,424,940; Wales 6,064 (0.3 per cent) to 2,245,385; Scotland 9,768 (0.2 per cent) to 4,019,192 and Northern Ireland 444 (0.04 per cent) to 1,206,481.

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More details can be found at the following website addresses:

Table 1 - local government electors:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/xsdataset.asp?vlnk=3257>

Table 2 - parliamentary electors:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/xsdataset.asp?vlnk=3258>

BACKGROUND NOTES

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