

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. OUEN
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 28TH MARCH 2017**

Question

Will the Chief Minister list each source of published statistical information which together comprises the "*the full range of published statistics*" used by the Council of Ministers to monitor income inequalities, as reported in his answer to Written Question 1(160) tabled on 14th March 2017?

Answer

The Statistics Unit produce a wide range of statistics as outlined in their programme of releases. This includes periodic, detailed surveys which provide information on incomes, income inequality, and how people on different incomes are faring financially, such as the "Household Income Distribution Survey", the "Jersey Opinions and Lifestyle Survey", and the "Housing Affordability Index".

In addition, more frequent statistics are produced which provide insight into these areas, including average earnings, employment, unemployment, inflation, and rents and house prices.

Alongside this, reports are commissioned from time to time by government which provide information and insight on issues around incomes, income inequality, and how people at different incomes are faring financially and effected by policy decisions, for example, the distributional analysis undertaken as part of the Medium Term Financial Plan, and the forthcoming such as the personal tax review, the review of the economic and fiscal impacts of increases in the minimum wage, and the review of the economic value of migration.