

Research and analysis: Employer ownership of skills pilot round 1: first report

Evaluation of the first round of a scheme to give employers control of government training funds.

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[Open consultation: Proposed catch limits for October 2018](#)

The Marine Management Organisation (MMO) sets monthly catch limits for quota species to ensure the UK stays within the overall limit set by the EU. These limits apply to all under 10 meter vessels and the over 10 meter vessels that are not in a co-operative (Producer Organisation).

Please contact the MMO if you have any comment to make about the suggested catch limits which will be put into force on 1 October 2018.

Comments to be received no later than 8am on the 26 September 2018.

Email: FMTConsultations@marinemanagement.org.uk

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[News story: August 2018 Transaction Data](#)



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In August:

- HM Land Registry completed more than 1,746,970 applications to change or query the Land Register
- The South East topped the table of regional applications with 402,692

HM Land Registry completed 1,746,974 applications in August compared with 1,794,855 in July and 1,671,917 last August, of which:

- 393,233 were applications for register updates compared with 408,138 in July
- 838,122 were applications for an official copy of a register compared with 860,123 in July
- 226,859 were search and hold queries (official searches) compared with 231,386 in July
- 27,275 were postal applications from non-account holders compared with 27,245 in July

Applications by region and country

Region/country	June applications	July applications	August applications
South East	391,741	412,457	402,692
Greater London	324,861	342,764	327,388
North West	189,790	199,371	196,595
South West	166,626	175,922	173,062
West Midlands	146,855	153,247	149,801
Yorkshire and the Humber	128,441	138,612	135,462
East Midlands	121,551	129,991	125,704
North	79,945	84,004	82,370
Wales	77,307	81,079	81,297
East Anglia	74,017	77,226	72,476
Isles of Scilly	66	109	52
England and Wales (not assigned)	72	73	75
Total	1,701,272	1,794,855	1,746,974

Top 5 local authority areas

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Birmingham	25,724	Birmingham	27,538	Birmingham	26,892
City of Westminster	23,468	City of Westminster	22,955	City of Westminster	23,912
Leeds	19,257	Leeds	21,258	Leeds	20,833
Cornwall	17,591	Cornwall	18,581	Cornwall	18,367
Manchester	16,765	Manchester	18,026	Manchester	17,578

Top 5 customers

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Enact	53,868	Enact	55,674	Enact	56,544
Infotrack Limited	29,175	Infotrack Limited	30,027	Infotrack Limited	30,749
O'Neill Patient	26,523	O'Neill Patient	28,146	O'Neill Patient	27,267
Optima Legal Services	26,239	Optima Legal Services	26,763	Optima Legal Services	24,984
TM Group (UK) Ltd	21,465	TM Group (UK) Ltd	24,461	Eversheds LLP	20,019

The monthly Transaction Data shows how many applications for new titles, leases, splitting titles, updating existing titles, official copies of the register and search and hold queries (official searches) were received.

Next publication

Transaction Data is published on the 15th working day of each month. The September Transaction Data will be published at 11am on Friday 19 October 2018.

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