

June 2021 Transaction Data

News story

This data provides information about the number and types of applications that HM Land Registry completed in June 2021.



Please note this data shows what HM Land Registry has been able to process during the time period covered and is not necessarily a reflection of market activity.

In June:

- HM Land Registry completed more than 1,944,890 applications to change or query the Land Register
- the South East topped the table of regional applications with 461,380

HM Land Registry completed 1,944,893 applications in June compared with 1,729,466 in May and 1,431,590 last June 2020, of which:

- 340,767 were applications for register updates compared with 281,344 in May
- 982,278 were applications for an official copy of a register compared with 941,240 in May
- 325,699 were search and hold queries (official searches) compared with 213,233 in May
- 18,292 were postal applications from non-account holders compared with 16,897 in May

Applications by region and country

Region/country	April applications	May applications	June applications
South East	420,311	408,181	461,380
Greater London	327,723	321,549	360,836
North West	197,145	193,992	217,869
South West	172,216	169,319	191,804

Region/country	April applications	May applications	June applications
West Midlands	145,539	143,621	162,245
Yorkshire and the Humber	135,405	135,143	149,885
East Midlands	127,348	124,503	139,228
North	81,782	82,532	91,406
East Anglia	73,063	72,540	82,177
Isles of Scilly	54	47	59
Wales	79,622	77,952	87,928
England and Wales (not assigned)	114	87	76
Total	1,760,322	1,729,466	1,944,893

Top 5 local authority areas

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Birmingham	28,059
City of Westminster	23,104
Leeds	22,641
Cornwall	21,246
Buckinghamshire	20,821

May 2021 applications

Top 5 local authority areas May applications

Birmingham	23,854
City of Westminster	21,672
Leeds	19,933
Cornwall	18,674
Buckinghamshire	18,078

Top 5 customers

June 2021 applications

Top 5 customers	June applications
Infotrack Limited	127,577
Enact	39,255
TM Group (UK) Ltd (Search Choice)	28,343
O'Neill Patient	23,564
My Home Move Limited	21,657

May 2021 applications

Top 5 customers	May applications
Infotrack Limited	109,685
Enact	32,606
TM Group (UK) Ltd (Search Choice)	28,207
O'Neill Patient	18,992
My Home Move Limited	18,991

Access the data

[Access the full dataset](#) on our Use land and property data service.

Next publication

Transaction Data is published on the 15th working day of each month. The July data will be published at 11am on Friday 20 August 2021.

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[Forestry Commission launches new Tree Production Innovation Fund](#)

Press release

New fund to ensure the quantity, quality and diversity of domestic planting stock available for tree planting in England.



A new £1 million fund to increase and diversify our domestic tree production has been announced by the Forestry Commission today (21 July), in partnership with Defra.

With £1 million available this year, the [Tree Production Innovation Fund](#) will encourage the development and adoption of new technologies and ways of working that will ensure the quantity, quality and diversity of planting stock available for tree planting in England.

In May 2021, the government launched the [England Trees Action Plan](#) which aims to treble tree planting rates in England by the end of this Parliament, reflecting England's contribution to meeting the UK's overall target of planting 30,000 hectares per year by the end of this Parliament.

The fund will support nurseries to increase and diversify the domestic supply of young trees to facilitate an increase in tree production while maintaining high levels of biosecurity, helping to reach planting targets.

Applicants will be invited to apply for up to £200,000 in grant funding to support projects designed to address one or more of the following challenges identified through stakeholder engagement as barriers to tree production.

These include:

- Making better use of available seed and vegetative planting material to maximise the quantity, quality and diversity of trees produced
- Developing growing systems to enhance their efficiency and resilience to change, whilst delivering improved quality and diversity of product
- Using innovative environmentally sustainable weed control solutions to reduce reliance on herbicides

Forestry Commission Chair Sir William Worsley said:

I fully believe forestry needs to embrace new technology, and in turn we need to develop technology that can support the future of forestry. We need new and innovative ideas to drive this change and I'm pleased this £1 million funding will support nurseries to increase and diversify domestic tree supply.

By enhancing the quantity, quality and diversity of planting stock available now, it will help our trees to be healthy and resilient to the impacts of changing climate and increasing threats from pests and diseases into the future.

Lead applicants to the fund will need to be based in the UK and the Forestry Commission welcome applications from consortia and new entrants to the sector.

The fund will open for applications on 21 July 2021, with the application window closing at 11.55pm on 8 September 2021 and successful projects running for a six month period between October 2021 and March 2022.

For more information on the [tree planting and establishment grants available see here](#).

[New landmark strategy to improve the lives of autistic people](#)

- The Autism Strategy aims to tackle the inequalities and barriers autistic people face so they can live independent and fulfilled lives
- Faster diagnoses and better access to health and social care for autistic people of all ages
- Commitments will support better education tailored to the needs of autistic children and young people

Improving the lives of autistic people is the focus of a new multi-million pound strategy launched by the government today.

Backed by nearly £75 million in the first year, it aims to speed up diagnosis and improve support and care for autistic people. The funding includes £40 million through the NHS Long Term Plan to improve capacity in crisis services and support children with complex needs in inpatient care.

Autistic people face multiple disadvantages throughout their lives, with too many struggling to get support that is tailored to their needs at an early enough stage and facing stigma and misunderstanding, often leaving them lonely or isolated. Through this new strategy, steps will be taken to improve diagnosis, which is crucial to help people get the support they need, and improve society's understanding of autism.

The five year strategy was developed following engagement with autistic people, their family and carers. It will support autistic children and adults through better access to education, more help to get into work, preventing avoidable admissions to healthcare settings, and training for prison staff to better support prisoners with complex needs.

Health and Social Care Secretary, Sajid Javid said:

Improving the lives of autistic people is a priority and this new strategy, backed by almost £75 million in the first year, will help us create a society that truly understands and includes autistic people in all aspects of life. It will reduce diagnosis waiting times for children and adults and improve community support for autistic people. This is crucial in reducing the health inequalities they face, and the unacceptable life expectancy gap that exists today.

Minister for Care, Helen Whately said:

Far too many autistic people still struggle to get the support they need in childhood, and as adults – and this is often exacerbated by not getting a timely diagnosis.

This landmark strategy will help give autistic people equal opportunities to flourish in their communities as well as better access to the support they need throughout their lives.

Minister for Children and Families, Vicky Ford said:

Many people who have autism face unacceptable barriers in every aspect of their lives – in health, employment and still too often in their education. I'm proud that the new Autism Strategy will, for the first time ever, also consider how to better support autistic children and young people's access to education.

A huge part of how we can address the inequalities that these children and young people face is by increasing our awareness and understanding of their needs, and tailoring the support available to them. Working closely with the healthcare services, we can level up outcomes for autistic young people in generations to come.

There are approximately 700,000 autistic people in the UK and a large number experience health inequalities during their lives.

The life expectancy gap for autistic people is approximately 16 years on average compared to the general population and almost 80% of autistic adults experience mental health problems during their lifetime.

The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated challenges many autistic people already face, such as loneliness and social isolation, and anxiety.

This new strategy has been developed with the views and experiences of autistic people provided in response to the government's call for evidence in 2019. The strategy will run until 2026 and aims to:

- Improve understanding and acceptance of autism within society: Developing and testing an initiative to improve the public's understanding of autistic people.– both the strengths and positives as well as the challenges, working with autistic people, their families and the voluntary sector. This will help people recognise the diversity of the autistic community; that every autistic person is different. It includes improving understanding of the strengths and positives of being autistic, as well as the challenges people might face in their daily lives and how distressed behaviour can manifest itself.
- Strengthen access to education and support positive transitions into adulthood: Testing and expanding a school-based identification programme based on a pilot in Bradford from 10 to over 100 schools over the next three years. Early findings from the pilot show children are being identified earlier and getting support quicker.

- Support more autistic people into employment: Improving the accessibility of job centres for autistic people, to get them the right help to find jobs or employment programmes.
- Tackle health and care inequalities: Providing £13 million of funding to reduce diagnosis waiting times and increase availability of post-diagnostic support for children and adults, and address backlogs of people waiting made worse by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Build the right support in the community and supporting people in inpatient care: Providing £40 million as part of the NHS Long Term Plan to improve community support and prevent avoidable admissions of autistic people and those with a learning disability, and £18.5 million to prevent crises and improve the quality of inpatient mental health settings.
- Improve support within the criminal and youth justice systems: Reviewing findings from the Call for Evidence on neurodiversity, and developing a toolkit to educate frontline staff about this, and the additional support people might need

Early identification can play an important role in enabling children and young people to get timely support, which is crucial in preventing escalation of needs.

While autism is not a learning disability, around 4 in 10 autistic people have a learning disability.

Some autistic people will need very little or no support in their everyday lives while others may need high levels of care, such as 24-hour support in residential care.

Caroline Stevens, Chief Executive of the National Autistic Society said:

We and our supporters have long campaigned for a fully-funded public understanding campaign, significant investment in reducing diagnosis waiting times and better post-diagnostic support. No-one should feel judged for being autistic, or to have to wait many months for a potentially life changing diagnosis and vital help and support.

We're really pleased to see concrete actions to tackle this in the first year of the new strategy, alongside other important commitments. The following four years will be just as vital. It's crucial that the Government invest in autistic people, and finally create a society that really works for autistic children, adults and their families.

Nellie Allsop, autistic woman and campaigner said:

I'm extremely happy to see the launch of the strategy.

Having been diagnosed last year, age 25, I'm still yet to tell

people close to me that I'm autistic, for worry that they won't quite 'get it'. That's why I'm delighted to hear that this strategy aims to improve the understanding and acceptance of autism amongst the general public.

I'm also pleased it will include plans to build the right mental health support in the community for autistic people. As someone who avoided a hospital admission thanks to the work of an NHS crisis team, I've experienced first-hand the benefits of good mental health support in the community. Nevertheless, more does need to be done to improve community support and understanding of autism within all community mental health teams – something I hope this strategy will address.

This strategy will align with wider government work through the National Disability Strategy and the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) review. The government will ensure issues relevant to autistic people are considered as part of these programmes of work.

This strategy's accompanying implementation plan will lay the foundations in the first year, for what the government aims to achieve over the course of the next five years. It will be refreshed in subsequent years, in line with future Spending Reviews.

Background information

- £74.88 million will be given as part of the first year of the strategy. This includes:
 - £40 million through NHS Long Term Plan
 - Investing £25 million into building the capacity and capability of seven-day specialist multidisciplinary and crisis services supporting autistic people and those with a learning disability
 - Investing £15 million in keyworker pilots and early adopter sites to support children with the most complex needs in inpatient mental health settings, as well as those at risk of being admitted to these settings.
 - This is in addition to the £2.5 million from the Long Term Plan for CYP autism diagnosis.
 - £31 million through Mental Health recovery action plan to tackle inequalities and build the right support in the community
 - £600,000 to fund training for staff in early years settings, schools and colleges, to improve the experience of autistic children in the education system and prepare them for adulthood.
 - £600,000 for the extension of the early identification programme developed in Bradford
 - £180,000 for the understanding autism campaign
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Enabling Government Science and Engineering (GSE) Leadership

News story

Ensuring scientists and engineers across government are given opportunity and support to become leaders in science and engineering at all stages of their career

Enabling GSE Leadership

Enabling scientists and engineers to show technical leadership at all career stages.



This work theme is all about enabling scientists and engineers to show technical leadership at all stages of their career. From discussions with our members, this is a particular area of interest and something we are excited to focus on over the next year!

To develop our strategic aims in this area, we reached out to members to find out what barriers there are for scientists and engineers in feeling like a leader in their area. We found out that when our members think of leaders, it's not just the chief scientific advisers, but local leaders who help build science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) capability and inspire them to take leadership of their work areas.

Some of our members also said they the GSE profession could play an important role in exploring the different departmental leadership initiatives and leader pathways that exist and communicating these across government. This will help increase access to opportunity and inspire a greater number of members. Another role we want to play is ensuring that STEM specialist colleagues get equal access to central government development schemes and feel confident in applying. We have already started to develop tailored promotion to schemes like the Futures Leaders Scheme for scientists and engineers, but more needs to be done through mentoring and more targeted interventions.

Finally, there was a feeling from our members that more could be done to integrate the values that technical specialists have into government leadership culture. We are working closely with the government reform agenda through the Government Skills and Curriculum Unit who are focusing on leadership and management as one of their main strands of learning. By

keeping connected to the heart of government, we want to ensure that scientist and engineering leadership qualities are reflected and valued. We plan to build the profile of science and engineering leaders within teams and organisations; better define what are GSE leadership values at all stages of people's careers; and give our members clear goals and skills they should be aiming for.

This area will be developing lots over the coming year! To ensure our work is truly representative and useful for our members, we need your help! We are setting up an 'Enabling GSE leadership' cross-government working group that will look to develop these projects and help us to influence government leadership culture. We are looking for crown, civil and public servants at all stages of their careers and from a host of different career backgrounds.

If you're interested in joining this group, please email gse@go-science.gov.uk.

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[Increasing connections and interchange](#)

This theme is all about providing systems that allow scientists and engineers to be better connected and to gain broad experience in and out of government. Scientists and engineers are collaborators by nature and something our profession is keen to do is help connect our members! We are an incredibly diverse profession with a variety of roles and specialisations, who are joined by a passion to ensure the delivery of inspirational and trusted evidence and solutions into decision making. Bringing people together allows networks to grow, peer support, collaboration and learning through sharing knowledge and opportunities.

In the new [GSE Profession strategy](#), we commit to supporting government science and engineering (GSE) members in getting experience across industry, academia and across government and similarly bringing people into government from different sectors. We want to do this by aligning how we talk about skills and technical capabilities, so personal development is evident and consistent; and also by exploring and investing in programmes that already make technical secondments achievable.

Work is already going on in this area! The GSE profession has been working with Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (DSTL) to develop a joint GSE Skills Framework. This framework will be a simplified, systematic skills taxonomy and will be general enough to be relevant across GSE whilst still having enough fidelity to map across government. DSTL are part of the National Laboratory Alliance (NLA), a group of public sector research establishments (PSREs), so they are in a great place to pilot the GSE Skills

Framework. DSTL saw through the pandemic that efficiently understanding the capabilities across the alliance can enable rapid support when needed.

A science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) interchange scheme that already exists is called STEM Futures; a collaborative development programme across many government organisations, universities and industry enterprises. It provides technical skills, knowledge and experience including expert mentorship, technical lectures, learning, and even on-the-job experience through placements. It currently covers technical areas including: data, quantum, reliability, sensing, space, and Weapons, Ordnance, Munitions and Explosives (WOME). The GSE Profession want to build better links with STEM Futures and see what more we can do to promote it and encourage use of the scheme.

Finally, the GSE profession are working hard over the next year to investigate establishing a hosting platform where GSE members can access and connect with communities of interest. We want to scope out platforms by next Summer; in the meantime, keep connected by becoming a member and receiving our newsletter which signposts STEM learning and opportunities from across government.

The best way you can get involved is by being a bridge between the GSE profession and your department or team. So, if your department is trying to map capabilities – get in touch and work with us! If you know of a secondment, shadowing or fellowship scheme operating in or out of government – let us know about it!

You can reach us at gse@go-science.gov.uk and we really appreciate any contribution you can offer.

If you're interested in finding out more about the STEM Futures scheme, you can also contact stemfutures@dstl.gov.uk.