

# How R is improving the dissemination of statistics within the Department for Work and Pensions

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- Official statistics in DWP
- An introduction to RAP (a new way of producing statistics)
- How we have implemented RAP at DWP

## What is DWP?

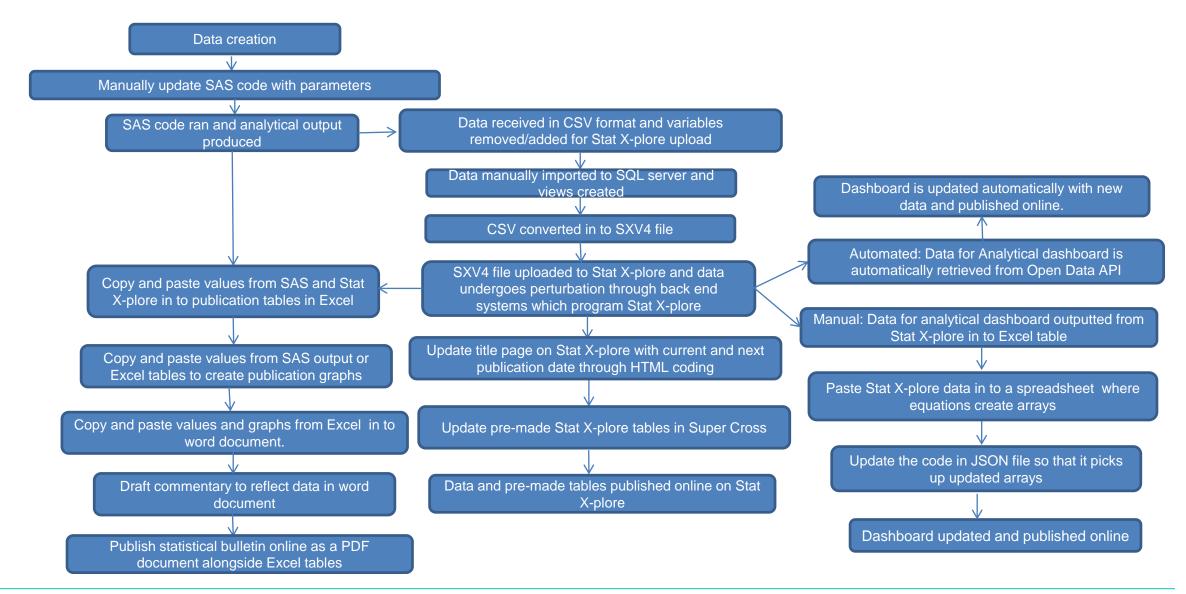
- UK's biggest government department.
- Responsible for administering pension, working age, as well as disability and health related, benefits
- Statistics used by a range of customers such as local government

## Official statistics in DWP

"We have no axe to grind in any debate, save that it is well informed"

John Pullinger (National Statistician)

# Official Statistics publication process



# Matthew Gregory and Matthew Upson, the creators of RAP

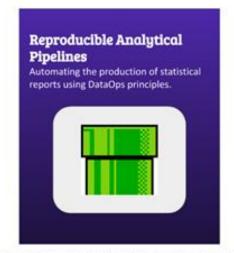


#### **RAP Companion**

Matthew Gregory, Matthew Upson

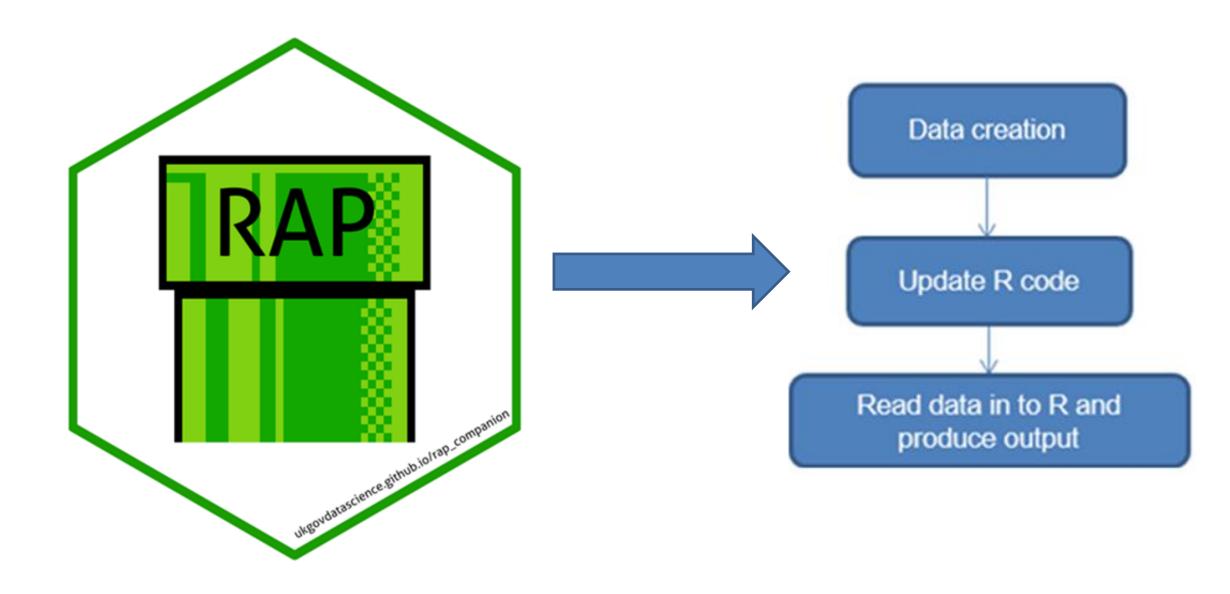
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#### Preface



Producing official statistics for publications is a key function of many teams across Government. It's a time consuming and meticulous process to ensure that statistics are accurate and timely. With open source software becoming more widely used, there's now a range of tools and techniques that can be used to reduce production time, whilst maintaining and even improving the quality of the publications. This book is about these techniques, what they are and bow we can use them.





# Reproducible \*\*\* Analytical Pipeline













#### National Insurance Numbers Allocated to Adult Overseas Nationals

Registrations to September 2017

Quarterly

Published 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017

**United Kingdom** 

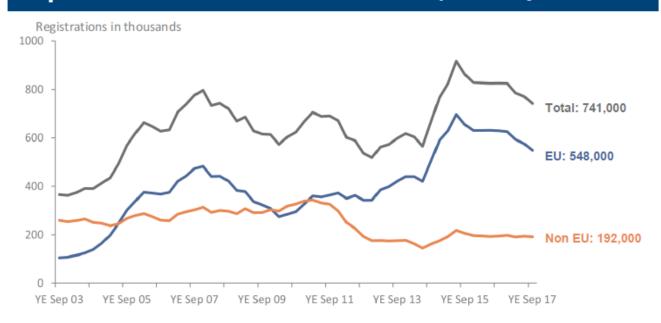
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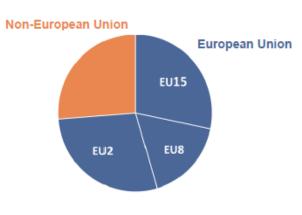
What do these statistics show? A National Insurance Number (NINo) is generally required by any adult overseas national looking to work or claim benefits / tax credits in the UK. As such they show a count – by individual nationality - of the number of NINo's registered to adult non-UK nationals each quarter, irrespective of the length of stay in the UK. The NINo statistics are not a count of the number of adult non-UK nationals currently residing in the UK

#### Main stories

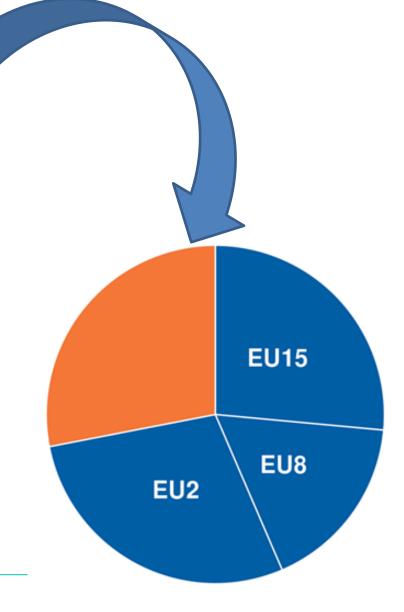
# 741 thousand NINo's registered in the year to September 2017: a 10% decrease on the previous year

# ...of these, 74% are from within the EU





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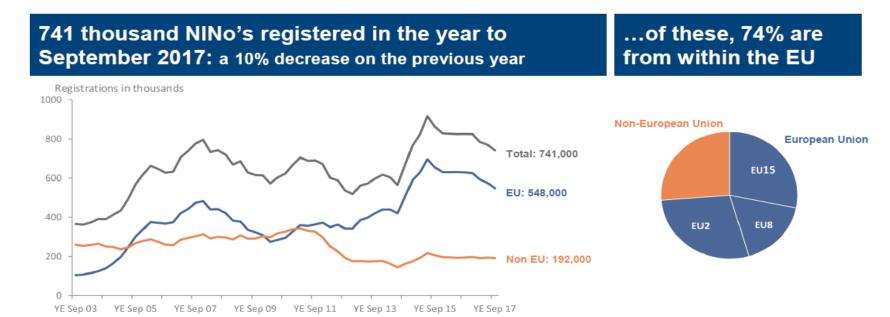


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741 thousand NINo's registered in the year to September 2017: a 10 % decrease on the previous year

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# Prototype Vs Real thing

## Conclusion

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