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[wide range of subjects, which helps inform our work and our policies.](#)   [We measure the](#)

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[completeness of electoral registers](#)   [We measure the quality of the electoral registers](#)

[in the UK.](#)   [Accuracy means we look at the number of false entries on the electoral](#)

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[relating to entries on the electoral registers, such as the number of entries,](#)

[attainers, additions and deletions.](#)   [It also looks at the results of the annual](#)

[canvass activities that electoral registration officers at local councils carry out](#)

[each year.](#)   [Public attitudes](#)   [We carry out public opinion surveys covering a range of](#)

[electoral issues such as voting, registering to vote, party finance and electoral](#)

[fraud.](#)   [Electoral data](#)   [We collect data following elections and referendums in the UK.](#)

[This includes data such as the size of the electorate, turnout, the number of](#)

[rejected ballot papers and information on postal voting.](#)   [Voter identification pilots](#)

[We evaluated the Government's pilot schemes in 2018 and 2019, where voters were](#)

[required to bring identification to vote at the local government elections in](#)

[England.](#)   [Reporting on electoral fraud](#)   [We collect data from all police forces across](#)

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[referendums in the UK, we look at the way the proposed referendum question is worded](#)

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