Any Questions Answered?

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Parliamentary Questions Answered

Number of records: 62515

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
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answering body	○ Prime Minister
answering dept id	23
answering dept short name	Prime Minister
answering dept sort name	Prime Minister
date	2015-11-18
hansard heading	Russia: Syria
house id	1
question text	To ask the Prime Minister, what discussions he had with representatives of the Russian government at the recent G20 meeting on Syria.
registered interest	false
tabling member constituency	North Antrim

Older API underneath

API -> JSON -> flat CSV

Who asks the most questions?

1. Jim Shannon - 533 this year
2. Paul Flynn - 324 this year
3. Philip Davies - 322 this year

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Yvette Cooper - 1 this year

Who answers the most questions?

1. Department of Health - 2946 this year
2. Home Office - 1626 this year
3. Foreign & Commonwealth Office - 1609 this year

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Leader of the House of Lords - 13 this year

Who is the most annoying?

1. **Jim Shannon asked Department of Health 216 questions this year**

2. **Lilian Greenwood asked Department for Transport 211 questions this year**

3. **Stephen Timms asked Department for Work & Pensions 154 questions this year**

Who has a sudden new passion?

1. **Lilian Greenwood asked Department for Transport 211 questions (114 more than last year)**

2. **Emily Thornberry asked Department for Work & Pensions 115 questions this year (114 more than last year)**

3. **Hilary Benn asked FCO 50 questions this year(49 more than last year)**

Who takes longest to reply?

1. **Foreign & Commonwealth Office**
   1609 queries, avg 8.2 days to respond

2. **Home Office**
   1626 queries, avg 8.1 days to respond

3. **Department for Culture, Media and Sport**
   327 queries, avg 7.9 days to respond

Whose questions are ignored?

1. **Nick Clegg**
   6 questions, avg wait 48.8 days

2. **Marcus Fysh**
   5 questions, avg wait 39.6 days

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5. **Jeremy Corbyn**
   7 questions, avg wait 29.1 days

Whose refers questions?

1. **Prime Minister**
   82 answered, 13% referred

2. **Leader of the House of Lords**
   13 answered, 8% referred

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27. **Department for International Development**
   581 answered, 0.6% referred

Fobbing Off With Bayes

Good Answer or fob off? (1 = yes, 0 = no)

	A	B	C	D	E	F
	answer_id	MP Asking Question	Dept Answering	Question	Answer	Good Answer or fob off? (1 = yes, 0 = no)
	223277	Caroline Flint	Department for Energy and Climate Change	To ask the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change, pursuant to the Answer of 10 December 2014 to Question 214542, in what circumstances each supplier identified by his Department requests a refundable security deposit.	All supply companies may ask for a deposit of money as security for the future payment of energy charges if a customer's credit status is unsatisfactory, they have repeatedly failed to pay their energy bills or have broken an agreed payment arrangement, or a new customer is unable to provide proof of identity and/or details of previous place of residence. Deposits must not exceed a reasonable rate. Suppliers will not ask for a security deposit when a customer agrees to have a prepayment meter installed to repay a debt, or their personal circumstances means it would be unreasonable to require one. Supply companies will refund a security deposit in full when a customer has demonstrated their ability to pay their energy bills by paying each bill in full during an agreed period - often 12 months. The Department does not hold information on the approach of individual suppliers to security deposits.	1
	391025	Mr Andrew Smith	Department for International Development	To ask the Secretary of State for International Development, how much her Department has allocated to the UN humanitarian appeal for Yemen; and what information her Department holds on how much aid has been allocated by other countries.	<p>DFID has allocated £55 million for humanitarian response in Yemen which is providing emergency shelter, healthcare, water and food assistance, as well as supporting UN work to co-ordinate the humanitarian response. Of that, DFID has allocated almost £40 million towards the UN 2015 Humanitarian Appeal.</p><p> </p><p> </p><p>Full details of all pledges to the UN Appeal can be found on the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) Financial Tracking Service website (<a	1