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**Request:**

1. The number of EU27 citizens resident in the local authority's area who were on the electoral register on 7 May 2019 (or as near that date as possible) broken down by the country of citizenship (if possible).

1,667– see attached form for break down.

2. The number of EU27 citizens who voted in the 2019 European Parliament Election.

In order to answer this question, we would need to manually check marked registers (155,000 records) and postal vote lists (37,000 records).

Therefore, this part of the request is refused under s12 (1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

In assessing the cost of complying, the costs attributable to officer time involved in complying have been considered. Such costs are limited to £450.00 under the Regulations, which equates to eighteen hours of officer time.

3. The dates when the responsible officers started and finished posting UC1/EC6 forms.

All forms were posted out on 10 April 2019.

4. The number of UC1/EC6 forms posted between these dates.

1,667

5. Were prepaid envelopes included with UC1/EC6 forms, and if so was it 1st or 2nd class post?

No envelope was provided

6. Did the responsible officers accept UC1/EC6 forms sent by email?

Yes

7. The number of UC1/EC6 forms returned before the deadline of 7th May?

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8. The number of UC1/EC6 forms returned after the deadline of 7th May and accepted, if any?

Information not held

9. The number of UC1/EC6 forms returned after the deadline and not accepted (that is, where electors were not registered).

Information not held

10. What was the number of complaints (if any) received in relation to UC1/EC6 form and / or registration of EU27 citizens for European elections?

Information not held

11. How was the data gathered from UC1/EC6 registration forms shared with the Secretary of State, Electoral Commission and / or other EU member states?

Information was shared with EU member states in line with the information exchange process sent to us by the Cabinet Office.

12. When was the data gathered from UC1/EC6 registration forms in respect of this election shared with the Secretary of State, Electoral Commission and / or other EU member states?

First set of data was sent on 1 May. Remainder (where applicable) was sent on 8 May after the deadline for returns.

13. Please provide a breakdown of all UC1/EC6 forms you received by the country of citizenship.

See attached form

14. Do you still hold data that would allow you to answer the above questions in relation to the 2014 European Parliament elections?

Information not held

15. If an EU national was registered to vote in your local authority area by 7 May 2019 but has not returned a UC1/EC6 form before that date, or such a form has been returned but has not been processed, what prevented you from allowing them to vote provided a UC1/EC6 form is returned by the close of the poll?

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This would have been in direct contravention of the guidelines and advice given to us by the Electoral Commission.

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