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Dear Lord Green,

As National Statistician and Chief Executive of the UK Statistics Authority, I am replying to your Parliamentary Questions asking (i) what was the change in the total number of UK households in the period 2010 to 2015; and what was the change in the number of those households with (1) a UK-born household reference person, and (2) a non-UK born household reference person (**HL6263**); and (ii) what was the change in the total number of households in England in the period 2010 to 2015; and what was the change in the number of those households with (1) a UK-born household reference person, and (2) a non-UK born household reference person (**HL6264**).

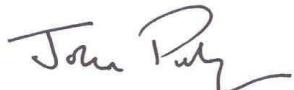
The information you requested has been published as an ad-hoc request on the Office for National Statistics (ONS) website, including details of the methods used, and background data.¹ A copy of the files has been placed in the House of Lords Library.

In answer to (i), in 2010 the estimated number of households in the UK was 26,239,800, and in 2015 the estimated number of households in the UK was 27,037,400, an increase of 797,600. Over the same period the number of households with a UK born household reference person increased by 270,400, and the number with a non-UK born household reference person rose by 527,300.

In answer to (ii), in 2010 the estimated number of households in England was 21,867,000, and in 2015 the estimated number of households in England was 22,581,900, an increase of 714,900. Over the same period the number of households with a UK born household reference person increased by 227,700, and the number with a non-UK born household reference person rose by 487,200.

These estimates have been derived from the Labour Force Survey (household dataset) and are subject to sampling variation. Changes in the number of households for different groups reflect a variety of factors including population changes (such as migration or deaths), and changes in living arrangements (such as changes in multi-family households or one person households) that affect household formation and dissolution. These estimates show the net effect of these changes.

Yours sincerely



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¹<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/birthsdeathsandmarriages/families/adhocs/006847changeinthenumberofhouseholdsbycountryofbirthofthehouseholdreferencepersonhrpukandengland2010to2015>