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Dear Mr Campbell,

As National Statistician and Chief Executive of the UK Statistics Authority, I am replying to your Parliamentary Question asking what the change was in average full-time salary levels in (a) England, (b) Wales, (c) Scotland and (d) Northern Ireland between 2007 and 2017 (198746).

The Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings<sup>1</sup> (ASHE), carried out in April each year, is the most comprehensive source of earnings information in the United Kingdom. Annual earnings estimates are provided for the tax year ending 5 April in the reference year and are based on employees on adult rates of pay who have been in the same job for more than a year. Figures relate to employee jobs, which are defined as those held by employees and not the self-employed. Note that a single individual may have more than one job.

Table 1 shows the mean gross annual earnings for full-time employees by country, with percentage growth, for 2007 to 2017. These estimates are available in the ASHE selected estimates table and table 7.7 of the ASHE datasets.

Yours sincerely,

John Pullinger

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>https://www.ons.gov.uk/employmentandlabourmarket/peopleinwork/earningsandworkinghours/bulletins/annualsurveyofhoursandearnings/previousReleases