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Maria Eagle MP House of Commons London SW1A 0AA

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Dear Ms Eagle,

As National Statistician and Chief Executive of the UK Statistics Authority, I am replying to your Parliamentary Questions asking what the average annual earnings were of the bottom five deciles in Liverpool in (a) 2010, (b) 2011, (c) 2012, (d) 2013, (e) 2014, (f) 2015, (g) 2016, (h) 2017 and (i) 2018 (214500); and what the average annual earnings were of the top five deciles in Liverpool in (a) 2010, (b) 2011, (c) 2012, (d) 2013, (e) 2014, (f) 2015, (g) 2016, (h) 2017 and (i) 2018 (214501).

The Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings¹ (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.

The accompanying data Table 1 shows the gross annual earnings for all employee jobs in Liverpool by the bottom and top five deciles. These estimates are also available in Table 7.7a of the ASHE publication tables. A copy of the table has been placed in House of Commons Library.

Yours sincerely,

John Pullinger

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 $^{{}^1\!}https://www.ons.gov.uk/employment and labour market/people inwork/earnings and working hours/bulletins/annualsurvey of hours and earnings/previous Releases$