

Questionnaires **continued**

5C Importance of services linked to frequency of use

Target group:	Local authority managers; adaptable for people working in any information-intensive work setting
Method:	Part of a questionnaire focused on the frequency of use of a range of services and their perceived importance

- 1 **On average**, how *frequently* do you/people in your section* need to obtain the following types of information from *outside* your department?

Please tick one column in each row.

	Not at all	Less than once a month	At least monthly	At least weekly	Daily	No set pattern
General: News of developments in your field						
Government: Government priorities in your field						
Information about key government targets						
Government reports on relevant issues						
Government guidance on relevant issues						
Legislation and enabling instruments						
Other national/regional: Other authoritative reports on relevant issues						
Information about relevant national/regional programmes (e.g. economic regeneration)						
Cross-disciplinary summaries of key topics (e.g. education and health; child policies)						
Information on sources of funding/how to get funds						
Information on training opportunities						
Current topics: Systematic literature reviews of topics						
'Quick reviews' of relevant current topics in your field						
Guidelines/protocols for key issues						
Information on 'best practice/good practice' in your field						
News of relevant recent publications						
News of relevant forthcoming events						
Research: Critical reviews of research on practice in your field						

Relevant national research reports						
Evidence of the impact of specific interventions/ initiatives						
Statistics:						
Comparative service performance data						
Comparative financial data						
Statistics on environmental and other factors impinging on your field						
Other (please specify):						
Other (please specify):						

* Please indicate whether you have replied for yourself or your section by deleting the other option.

2 **In general**, how **important** are these types of information to you/people in your section* in your work?

Please tick one column in each row.

	Varies greatly	Not at all important	Relatively unimportant	Important	Very important	Information not used
General:						
News of developments in your field						
Government:						
Government priorities in your field						
Information about key government targets						
Government reports on relevant issues						
Government guidance on relevant issues						
Legislation and enabling instruments						
Other national/regional:						
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