

Poverty in Scotland event – 12 June 2017 New Register House, Edinburgh

Prof Glen Bramley will be the keynote speaker at our event on 12 June in Edinburgh which brings together the latest statistics and research on poverty in Scotland.

The focus for the morning will be on the major Scottish Government publications on poverty, inequality and deprivation. Colleagues from the Equality and Social Justice Analysis unit will present findings and research from recent and upcoming publications such as the **Persistent Poverty** statistics and the Scottish **Poverty in Perspective** report (see below).

Glen will present the key findings from his upcoming publication which models income estimates at the data zone level.

There will be plenty of opportunities to talk to the authors of all the reports and contribute to a session geared to gathering your views and thoughts on how to improve SIMD. All are welcome!

Book your place here

Poverty in Perspective: A typology of poverty in Scotland

The Scottish Government has published a report that groups Scottish households in poverty into 13 different types. There are several types of families with children, working age households without children, and pensioner households.

The report uses the same methodology that was used for the UK-wide Poverty in Perspective report, conducted by Demos and NatCen in 2012.

The findings show that living on low income is not the same experience for all poor households.

Having a more detailed picture of households in poverty can be helpful to policymakers and practitioners who want to address the issues. **Download the report here**

SIMD Training events

Supporting our SIMD users means we help them use evidence to tackle deprivation and inequality.

We have been out and about running training events in local areas, but are pleased to announce a **public event** to be held on 13 June in Glasgow. We have yet to confirm the venue, but it is likely to be in the East-end of the city. This will be a similar format to previous training sessions with an overview of how SIMD is built, how it works, and how to use it. In a hands-on session, people will learn how to describe a deprived area using maps and data.

The focus for this will be making SIMD open to the public so preference will be given to community groups and third sector organisations. **Book your place here**



The poverty typology for 'Younger Active Singles', one of thirteen types identified in the report

Notes from the team

• The SIMD team have been working within Scottish Government to advise our colleagues on using SIMD well where appropriate, and which other data and evidence to consider in addition to SIMD.

• We are now also in charge of new statistics on Child Material Deprivation. These are based on the Scottish Household Survey, and will be published for the first time in November.

• Next week, we are meeting our counterparts from the other three UK countries at our 4-Nations Meeting in London to discuss common issues with deprivation indices.

• Any questions, get in touch through simd@gov.scot

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