

Discussion of users' topic needs

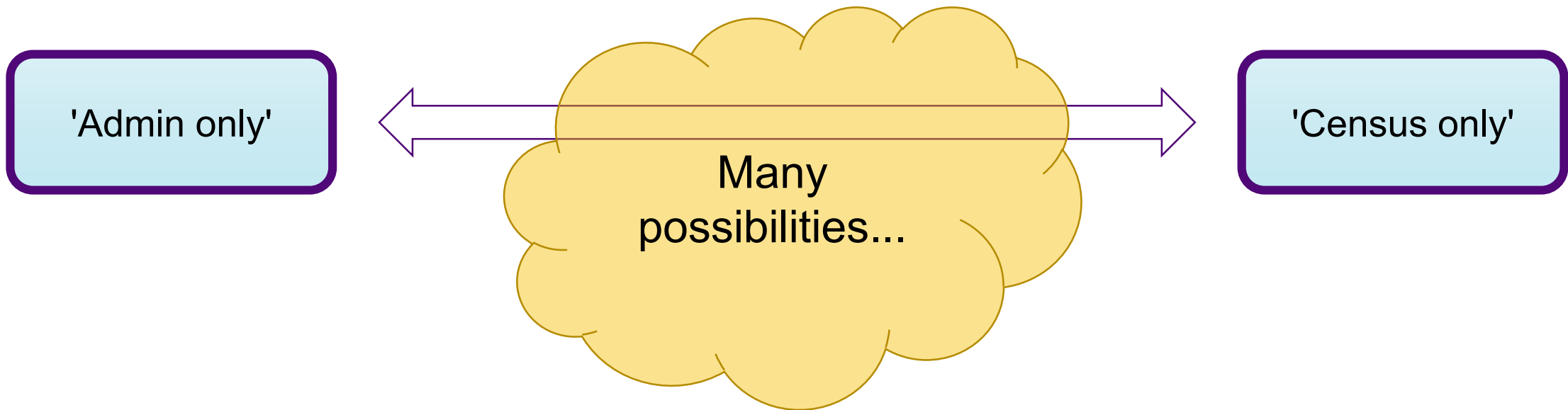
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Only Connect, BBC (2020)

Alternative futures

- Current consultation and statements do not explicitly rule anything in or out



How we have got to where we are

- Consultation directly on future plans [706 responses][(ONS, 2023)
 - Led / Provided Evidence to Responses – UK Data Services, CeLSIUS, BSPS, Academy of Social Sciences, and individual

Individual response	366
Local government	147
Charity or voluntary	52
Central government	34
Other public body	31
Business, industry or commercial	21
Academia or research	18
Religion or faith	8
Devolved administration and associated bodies	9
Other	20

Recent discourse

- **2023** Sudlow Review'; **ongoing** National Data Library etc: Diverse consultations / proposals etc on 'data' issues (typically requiring population denominators)
- **22 January 2025** First UK Statistics Assembly May 2025 Review of UKSA/ONS (Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee) (short deadline 23 working days: constrained to brief response)
- **11 June 2025**, Spending Review: "Additional funding [for UKSA] has been provided primarily to allow UKSA to start preparatory work for Census 2031, subject to the government's decision on the census, expected this summer."
- **17 June 2025** announcement re future data plans
- **9 July 2025** ONS Innovation event: Use of administrative and other data to help deliver a census
- **10 July 2025** BSPS Meeting co funded by ONS, UK Data Service, CeLSIUS and UCL
- **TBC** Governments' announcement

Linking our lives

- Assuming we have a further 2031 census broadly similar to that of 2021/2...
 - What admin data would you like to be linked?
 - If you could add a question to the census, what would it be?

Manchester seminar results			
<i>New Census Question</i>		<i>Admin linked data</i>	
Happiness / wellbeing	17	Income / Benefits	19
Mental and physical health & health behaviours	11	Health including health behaviours	12
Work	10	Housing / Environment	5
Time capsule / free text / similar	6	Work/workplace /volunteering	5

Brief audience responses

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