Figure 1: Process map showing the collection of education administrative data

Potential school members → 1,280 schools belonging to 11 National Associations → Independent Schools Council (ISC) collate data

Registers membership

Accurate records of membership

Requirement of membership to submit forms

Standardised forms, guidance notes

Updated records to identify non responders

Figure 2: Process map showing the flow of communication between data suppliers to output producers

National Associations

Private Schools

Contact details

Pressure schools to respond

Contact details

ISC

Contact details

Guidance notes
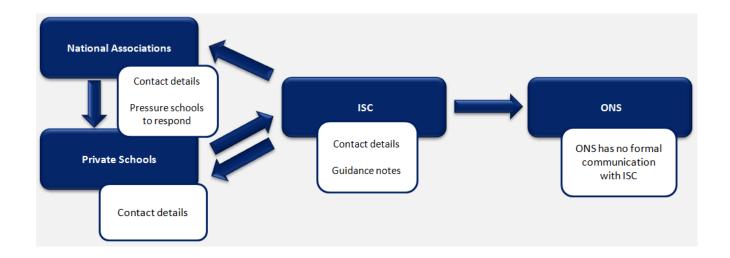
ONS

ONS has no formal communication with ISC

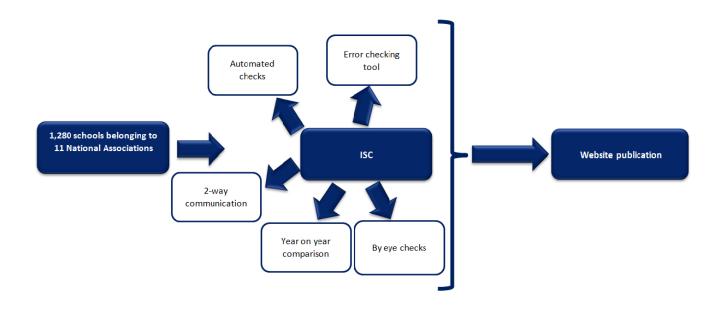*Figure 3: Process map showing the quality assurance checks by data suppliers*

Figure 4: Process map showing the quality assurance method from NAES to users
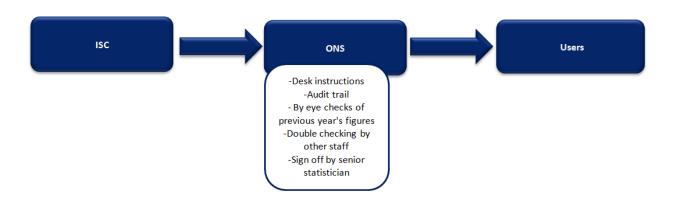
Figure 5: Process map showing the overall flow of education statistics from suppliers to ONS

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│ 1,280 schools belonging │    ────⮕        │          ISC            │      │        │    ONS downloads        │
│ to 11 National          │                 │                         │      │        │    data from ISC        │
│ Associations            │                 │                         │      │        │    website              │
└─────────────────────────┘                 └─────────────────────────┘      │        │    Limited checks       │
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│   Full census,          │ │ Standardized forms   │ │ ISC collate  │        │        └─────────────────────────┘
│   collected via         │ │ Guidance notes       │ │ and QA data  │        │
│   online data portal    │ │ Updated records to   │ │ to produce   │        ⬇
└─────────────────────────┘ │ identify non         │ │ Annual       │
                            │ responders           │ │ Report       │
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1,280 schools belonging to 11 National Associations

Full census, collected via online data portal

Standardized forms
Guidance notes
Updated records to identify non responders

ISC

ISC collate and QA data to produce Annual Report

ONS downloads data from ISC website
Limited checks applied

Users

ONS

ONS producer of education trends that feed into Index of services and GDP
Aggregate final outputs