## United Kingdom

- Since the start of the COVID-19 emergency, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) has committed to enhance its faster indicators programme. To do this, it has explored novel data sources and methods, such as government administrative data to track changes in the labour market, and web-scraping to track real-time changes in the prices of goods. <a href="https://www.ons.gov.uk/news/statementsandletters/ensuringthebestpossibleinformationduringcovid19throughsafedatacollection">https://www.ons.gov.uk/news/statementsandletters/ensuringthebestpossibleinformationduringcovid19throughsafedatacollection</a>
- To ensure that staff members have access to the resources and data they need while working remotely, the ONS has allocated increased resource to strengthen its technological capacity, while maintaining data security measures.
- To receive timely data, reduce burden on respondents and to keep in line with social distancing measures, the ONS has taken the decision to rapidly develop additional online capability for business surveys.