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Approval granted pending suitable legal gateway		
Department of Health	Protection of Children Act List	To prevent individuals previously convicted or regarded as high risk from work with children in the healthcare field
Lord Chancellors Department (LCD)	LCD proposes the introduction of a new Court Order, a Data Disclosure Order	To improve the collection of civil debt where other legal steps to recover debt have failed. LCD to collect information including NINo
Approval granted	Cay Offendare detabase	To fooilitate the identification 0
Home Office	Sex Offenders database	To facilitate the identification & tracing of offenders who seek to evade registration requirements. Legal Gateway is provided for by the Sexual Offences Act 2003
Criminal Records Bureau	Pre-recruitment checks – use of NINo with customer consent – including both employers and voluntary groups	Used for checking purposes against DWP records. Provides safer recruitment procedures for employers and voluntary groups in particular for those with responsibilities for the welfare of children & vulnerable adults
UK Passport Agency	For use in passport application checks - with customer consent	To facilitate identity checks against DWP records as part of more secure passport issue arrangements
Northern Ireland Electoral Office	Use of NINo included within the Electoral Fraud (Northern Ireland) Act 2002	For use in connection with elections in Northern Ireland
Department for Education & Skills	Student Loan debt collection	To improve and facilitate the collection of student loans
Disability Living Allowance & Schlumberger-Sema	Use of NINo format identifier	Facilitates the tracking of medical assessments relating to DWP benefit customers
HM Customs & Excise	Approved for use on VAT trader applications	To assist in the verification of identity of persons applying for VAT Trader status

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Prescription Pricing Authority. Dental Practice Board. NHS Optical Checks. NHS Counter-fraud	Used to identify individuals seeking to evade payment of prescription charges etc	Facilitates the tracing of those seeking to evade payment of charges by claiming to be in receipt of "passport" benefits
Yorkshire & Humberside Government Office	Used for allocation of European Training Grant purposes	Facilitated the allocation of funds to individuals
Cabinet Office	Use of NINo for Civil Service staffing purposes	Use of NINo for Civil Service staffing purposes
BBC TV Licences	Supported by legislation and with customer consent, provides for the provision of free TV Licences to the over 75 age range	Use of NINo used to establish entitlement provision to free TV Licence
Disability & Carer Directorate	To use the NINo for Vehicle Excise Exemption processing purposes.	To facilitate electronic on-line applications by disabled people for exemption from Vehicle Excise Duty
Northern Ireland Compensation Agency	Use of NINo for purpose of claiming compensation under the Terrorism Act 2000 Scheme.	NINo to be used on compensation application forms.
Manchester City Council	Use of the NINo for tracing Council Tax Benefit absconders	To facilitate debt recovery by searching neighbouring Local Authority databases for individuals with outstanding Council Tax Benefit arrears.
The Overvolunteering Prevention Service (TOPS)	Medical Research	To assist with the prevention of healthy individuals taking part in too many clinical research trials.
DoH , Social Services and Public Safety	HPSS Server Consolidation	To assist with the prevention of creating duplicate departmental IT system accounts for employees.
Department for Education & Skills	To use the NINo with regards to awarding Free School Meals.	To assist with benefit validation via the NINo required for awarding FSM.
Department for Education & Skills	To use the NINo with regards to awarding Educational Maintenance Allowance.	To assist with benefit validation via the NINo required for awarding EMA.
Department for Education & Skills	To use the NINo for student career	To facilitate identity checking with banks, as part of an anti-

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	development loan	fraud initiative.
	purposes.	
Local Authorities	Use of NINo for HB/CTB	To assist with benefit
	administration purposes	validation via the NINo
		required for awarding HB/CTB.
The Legal Services	Use of NINo for purpose of	To assist with benefit
Commission	administering Legal Aid for	validation via the NINo
	civil proceedings.	required for awarding Legal Aid.
Skills for Care Limited	Use of the NINo for the	To assist with the creation of a
	purpose of workforce	minimum data set to facilitate
	planning within the social	workforce planning in the
	care sector.	social care sector.
Student Loan Company	Use of NINo to enhance	To assist with data matching to
Limited	tracing against DWP data.	improve debt management.
Department for Education &	Use of NINo for the	To assist with the creation of a
Skills	purpose of collating a	single data set to improve data
	School Workforce Census	management.
Local Authority National	Proposal to use the NINo	To effectively identify
Anti-Fraud Network	to detect, deter and	duplication of claims to
	prevent fraud and	Housing Benefit which use the
	overpayments in Housing Benefit.	same NINo.
British Telecom	Use of the NINo to provide	To ensure that individuals on
	a social telephony scheme	low incomes or with special
		needs are not prevented from
		accessing or using publicly
		available telephone services.
Learning and Skills Council	Use of the NINo for skills	To allow data to be evaluated
	coaching	to assess the impact of
		coaching on customers who
Learning and Skills Council	Use of the NINo for Adult	have claimed benefits.
Learning and Skills Council	Learning Option/basic	To allow DWP to identify JCP customers participating in LSC
	skills training.	funded provision and to match
	James Halling.	DWP and LSC data
Department for	Use of the NINo to track	To assist with understanding
Communities and Local	clients through services	the trends in the supported
Government – Supporting	funded by ODPM.	housing sector.
People Programme		
Legal Services Commission	Use of the NINo for	To facilitate administration of
	criminal Legal Aid	criminal Legal Aid by checking
	Ĭ	benefit entitlement of
		applicants.
The Prison Service	Collection of the NINowhen	To allow DWP to trace
	committed to prison, and	customers who have been

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	included in data provided to DWP.	committed to prison and cease benefits when they are not entitled thus reducing overpayments of benefit.
Northern Ireland Office	Proposal for DWP/HMRC to inform NIO when a NINo is issued and provide name and address details.	It is Govt policy to ensure that as many eligible individuals as possible are registered to vote. When a new NINo is allocated, by informing NIO will allow proactive action to ensure as many young people as possible are registered to vote.
Identity and Passport Service	Use of NINo for passport verification process	To match records against CIS and confirm DWP do not hold a date of death for any 'live' records held by IPS.
North Western and North Wales Sea Fisheries Commission – Lancaster	Use of NINo when applying for a cockle and mussel fishing permit.	To facilitate in checking for fraudulent benefit claims and the immigration status of the person applying for the permit
MAG:NET Solutions	Use of NINo for Local Authority benefit administration.	To facilitate data sharing amongst Local Authorities administering HB and CTB to improve benefit overpayment recovery.
Gangmasters Licensing Authority	Collect NINO on GLA application for a licence, check with DWP/HMRC data.	Enable checks to take place regarding previous fraudulent activity, and enable the GLA to identify individuals who are not 'fit and proper' to hold a licence,
National Employment Panel Ltd	Collection of NINofor evaluation purposes.	To enable Exit to Work pilot to track ex-offenders through to sustainable employment. To aid evaluation and effectiveness of the pilot prior to national rollout.
NHS – Care Records Service	To use NINo as unique reference number on a database to record users who have access to NHS Care Records Service	To ensue that a user to the NHS CRS database is uniquely identifiable.
DSHS Ltd & Capita Business Services Ltd	Digital switchover (pilot only in Whitehaven). Supported by legislation	The Government has asked the BBC to help establish and fund the Digital Switchover Help Scheme. The Help Scheme will provide

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		equipment and practical support to people aged 75 or over or receiving AA, DLA (and equivalent benefits) to help them through the process of converting to digital TV. Those who are eligible who also receive pension credit, IS or income-based JSA will receive help free of charge. Others will pay a charge.
Office of first Minister and Deputy First Minister – (OFMDFM) Northern Ireland	Unique Reference number to be used on a new database	As a unique identifier on a new database which is being set up to monitor changes in the composition of the entire public sector workforce throughout the period of the Review of Public Administration.
Department of Health	To use the NINo in the use of the electronic Knowledge and Skills Framework database	The Electronic Knowledge and Skills Framework (e-KSF) application is used by the NHS as part of the Agenda for Change pay system; essentially it facilitates the appraisal process which links performance with pay progression.
Department for Education & Skills	List 99 database	To prevent individuals previously convicted or regarded as high risk from work with children in the educational field
Jobcentre Plus Provider-led Pathways to Work	To allow Pathway Providers to market Pathways services to DWP customers	To allow the Pathway-led Providers to create a unique identifier for each customer enabling them to track the action taken on each case.
DSHS Ltd and EAGA PLC	Digital Switchover Rollout Supported by Legislation	The Government has asked the BBC to help establish and fund the Digital Switchover Help Scheme. The Help Scheme will provide equipment and practical support to people aged 75 or over or receiving AA, DLA (and equivalent benefits) to help

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		them through the process of converting to digital TV. Those who are eligible who also receive pension credit, IS or income-based JSA will receive help free of charge. Others will pay a charge.
Scottish Legal Aid Board (SLAB)	To use the NINo as part of the SLAB Applicant Personal Identifier (API) check.	By using the NINo as part of the API check reduces the potential for mulitple APIs to be issued to one person, improviing process efficiency and protecting the public purse.
		NB. The Legal Services Commission have permission to use the NINO as part of their application process – see above
NHS Flu Line	To use the NINo alongside other data to enable medicine issue records to be maintained.	The NINo will only be used in this way in the event of a flu pandemic.
Health in Pregnancy Grant	To be included in the application pack for the Health in Pregnancy Grant.	To facillitate the claims process and ensure that the grant is awarded appropriatley.
BECTA - Home Access Programme	For inclusion in the Home Access Grant application pack for phase one of the programme.	The incusion of the NINo alongside the other information requested in the Home Access Grant Pack (for phase one of the Programme) will enable the identfication of multiple applications from a single individual, which protects the public purse.
Welsh European Funding Office – European Structural Funds Programme	To allow WEFO to use the NINo as an unique internal reference number for participants on EU funded projects.	The use of the NINo will enable WEFO to establish the benefits of the respective EU Structural Funds Programmes and report to the EU Commission on the value derived from the Structural Funds monies.
National Offender Management Co-Financing	To allow NOMS CFO to use the NINo as a unique	The use of the NINo will enable NOMS to evaluate their

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Organisation (NOMS CFO)	internal reference number.	projects to determine their effectiveness and establish value for money.
ONS	To use the NINo for improving population measurement and Census related purposes.	To use the NINo for Census related purposes supporting the quality assurance of the Census statistical outputs.
DVLA	To use the NINo in DVLA application / change of circumstance checks - with customer consent	To facilitate checks against DWP/HMRC records to corroborate identity details as part of more secure DVLA issue arrangements.