

In this **May Edition** of the InstantAtlas Bulletin we put the spotlight on the recent London Elections Atlas as our featured application and also look in more detail at the **Radar Chart**, one of the templates in the Area Profile Family.

In the News read how InstantAtlas was used for supporting work with the Equality and Human Rights Commission, how it is being used for presenting performance indicators in London and some exciting new developments to enhance the Double Map Template.

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Join our Online Webinar

Using a Local Information System (LIS) to support Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)

Stockport MBC and **Stockport PCT** have completed the first stage of their JSNA to pull together all relevant information, undertake analyses and submit their response. This work utilised their existing Local Information System, Stockport Profiling Live, to speed up the process of pulling together relevant data down to small area levels. For the next stage that involves embedding JSNA in the commissioning process they are seeking to move away from a reliance on static documents to support live data reporting. They are currently working in a number of areas to tune their data sharing platform to make this as effective as possible for this purpose.

The JSNA is just one example of many multi-partner strategic initiatives that require a common and consistent evidence-base. Even for those not directly involved in this JSNA process, this online seminar is of relevance in demonstrating the value of data exchange and reporting tools within local partnerships.

Presented by **Stockport MBC** and **Stockport PCT**, Hosted by John Maslen

Date: Thursday 3rd of July @ 10:30 am – Duration 1 Hour

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We will be finalising additional dates of online seminars in the next few weeks - please keep an eye on our InstantAtlas Events page at <http://www.instantatlas.com/events.xhtml>.

Read our Latest News

New Double Map Template to be released

We have been working on a new '**Double Map with Time Series**' template, part of the Double Map Family, that supports time series data and the side-by-side presentation of data at different geographies. A beta release will be presented for the first time at the May BURISA Conference (see below) to demonstrate the issues around identifying patterns of deprivation in rural areas of

Norfolk.

Government Office for London publishes NIS Explorer

GOL has published a new set of atlases, called '**Data Explorers**', at a range of geographies for the Greater London area. They are available from

<http://www.go-london.gov.uk/tools/toolsindex.htm>. They contain the currently available indicators that comprise the 198 National Indicator Set (NIS). The National Indicator Set (NIS), announced on the 11 October 2007 as part of the Comprehensive Spending Review, underpins the new local performance framework.

New ethnicity maps for UK urban areas

GeoWise was the technology partner supporting a project for the Equality and Human Rights Commission using Origins data to map patterns of ethnicity clusters. The Times article is available at <http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/uk/article3779977.ece> - link to maps at the bottom of the article.

New InstantAtlas Customers

This month they include **Doncaster MBC, Lincolnshire CC** and **NE Lincolnshire CC. Worcestershire PCT** are partnering **Worcestershire County Council**, long time customers of InstantAtlas Desktop, to develop a local information system to support their data sharing needs for work on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).

Forthcoming Events

GeoWise will be exhibiting at the following event:

1. **Local Government Chronicle: The Fundamentals of Information Management** - supporting performance and partnerships through better use of data and information, London, 17th June 2008 (see www.lgc-infofundamentals.co.uk)

Recent events that are now available for download from the Events page:-

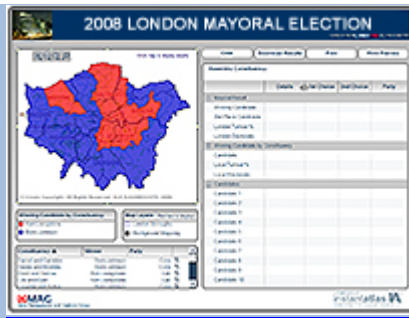
1. **'[Overview of InstantAtlas Server](#)'**
presented by GeoWise run on 23rd April
2. **'[Presenting Public Health Inequalities with InstantAtlas](#)'**
presented by Central Lancashire PCT run on 8th May

Featured Application:

Greater London Authority election atlas - how Boris beat Ken

The **Greater London Authority Data Management and Analysis Group (DMAG)** used InstantAtlas to deliver easy to use, highly-interactive atlases of the London Mayor and Assembly Constituency level election results on its website. The election results, released on 2nd May, are available from:

<http://www.london.gov.uk/gla/elections/mayoral/>
<http://www.london.gov.uk/gla/elections/assembly/>



InstantAtlas offered a quick and easy process for the DMAG team to build interactive presentations of the results. "We had challenging timescales to develop the election results reports. We were able to create, customise and brand them in a few days so they were ready and waiting for the results as they came in," said **Alan Lewis**, Senior Analyst within DMAG. "Given the delay in the results being announced due to consideration of second preference votes, it was a late night for us on Friday but the London Mayor atlas was live for Saturday morning and we are very pleased with the online maps".

The atlas is based on the **Area Profile** template. This has been used for election atlases at a range of levels within government both in the UK and internationally. For more information and examples see <http://www.instantatlas.com/election.xhtml>.

Janet Worth, Executive Director Corporate Services, Greater London Authority, said: "I think the presentation of the 2008 Mayoral and Assembly election results using these interactive web pages looks fantastic. They really help to communicate the data in an interesting and exciting manner."

Spotlight: Radar Chart Template

Information Professionals use InstantAtlas to draw attention to patterns and trends in data, to support effective monitoring, performance reporting, commissioning, surveillance and communication for their colleagues, managers and the public.

What is it?

The **Radar Chart Template** combines a single map, table, radar chart and bar chart for data display. Indicators in the radar chart are arranged around the circular chart and are grouped by theme. This chart enables at a glance analysis across a range of indicators for a selected area. It makes the comparison of profiles for different areas quick and easy.

The **Radar Chart Template** belongs to the **Area Profile 'FAMILY'** of templates. Like the Area Profile Template it delivers a spatial view of a single indicator alongside a cross-sectional view of a set of indicators presented through a radar chart (also referred to as a 'spider chart').

What does it do?

Like the spine chart the **Radar Chart Template** requires all indicator values to be presented against a single consistent scale. To do this values for each geographic location are usually compared to a base value, often a regional or national average.

For a limited set of indicators it would be more effective to present a cross-indicator picture of them using a radar chart than using a spine chart.

Demo of the Radar Chart Template



Template	License (perpetual seat or server)	Description
Area Profile	£600	Core Template
Performance Analysis	*£300	*Purchased with Area Profile
Radar Chart	**£200	** Purchased with Area Profile and Performance Analysis

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