



Company Name:	Registry Trust Ltd
Team / Department:	Communications
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Provisional title for project:

Assessing Monetary County Court Judgments (CCJs) as a leading indicator of financial vulnerability.

Short description of the problem that would be addressed by the project:

Monetary Judgments occur when an individual or business is in financial distress, providing a lagging indicator of unfortunate economic outcomes. However, could the patterns of CCJs also serve as a leading indicator of wider impending financial vulnerability? This project entails a critical assessment of CCJs, mapping them both geographically and temporally, in order to see whether and how they foretel economic downturns, either at a national scale or for particular individuals. Various hypotheses might be investigated, such as the effects of immigration, Brexit, infrastructure provision or changing working conditions.

Short description of the data sources that would be used in the project, and how they would be used.

Registry Trust data on Monetary Judgments across the UK and Republic of Ireland. External data to control for alternative variables, which might include:
Household survey
Financial lives
Wealth and prosperity
Consumer Data Research Centre (CDRC) indicators and Index of Multiple Deprivation
ONS survey data

Would any work by the student need to be carried out on site at the Company with the exception of supervisory meetings?

No

Any issues of data confidentiality and IPR that would need to be resolved

Yes

Essential skills

Interest in research into economic distress and financial vulnerability. Ability to tell stories from data

Desirable skills

Knowledge of Tableau or QGIS. Attention to detail. Interest in analysing public economic and social datasets.

Preferred degree programmes (if any)

Preferred selection method

Face-to-face interview
If not based near London, telephone/Skype interview is possible.

Support and training offered by the company

Introduction to the data. Training on software used in house. If working out of the office, then one hour meeting at office or telephone call every week. If working in the office, weekly catch-up meetings.

Financial assistance offered by the company

The organisation will pay the honorarium (£500)

Travel or other expenses will be incurred and will be reimbursed as appropriate

Any other comments

Students are welcome to work either in our office by Great Portland Street, London or from their University/home location.