

## Archwilydd Cyffredinol Cymru Auditor General for Wales

## **Regional External Public Sector Audit Institution**

Name of the institution	Wales Audit Office
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Position of the institution	The Auditor General for Wales is the statutory auditor and inspector of public sector bodies across Wales. The Wales Audit Office monitors and advises the Auditor General and provides resources to support the Auditor General's work. Our aim is to ensure that the people of Wales know whether public money is being managed wisely and that public bodies in Wales understand how to improve outcomes. The Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013 sets out the statutory basis for the office of Auditor General and the establishment of the Wales Audit Office as a corporation. The Auditor General is an independent Crown appointment, made following nomination by the National Assembly for Wales.
Audit remit	<ul> <li>The Wales Audit Office supports the Auditor General in:</li> <li>Auditing the financial accounts of over 800 public bodies in Wales</li> <li>Reporting on how services are being delivered</li> <li>Assessing whether value for money is being achieved</li> <li>Checking how organisations are planning and delivering improvements</li> <li>We are also committed to identifying and publicising good practice, to help public bodies deliver better services.</li> <li>We co-ordinate and report on the National Fraud Initiative in Wales on a biennial basis.</li> </ul>



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Internal organisation	<ul> <li>The Wales Audit Office has a board, consisting of nine members:</li> <li>five non-executive Directors, one of whom is the Chair, appointed by the National Assembly for Wales;</li> <li>the Auditor General for Wales, who is the Chief Executive;</li> <li>one executive member appointed by the Auditor General; and</li> <li>two elected employee members.</li> </ul> The organisation is structured: <ul> <li>Performance Audit</li> <li>Financial Audit</li> </ul>
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Staff	Approximately 270
Total budget 2018	£21.4million
President	Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales and Chief Executive of the Wales Audit Office. Isobel Garner, Chair, Wales Audit Office.

## <u>Region</u>

Name of the region	Wales
Official website	N/A ( <u>https://www.visitwales.com/</u> )
Capital city	Cardiff
Area of the region	20,735 km²
Population	3.1million
Lower administrative levels	42 central government bodies, including the Welsh Government. Over 800 local government bodies.
	11 health bodies.
Regional budget 2018	£19.6billion
Debt	Not separately identified to UK national debt.