

## **GEOGRAPHY INTERNAL ASSESSMENT WORD COUNT: 2007 CLARIFICATION**

The word limit for geography internal assessment written reports is 2,500 at HL and 1,500 at SL.

These notes clarify what is included in the word count. There is still misunderstanding about what is counted in textboxes and annotations, particularly as candidates have been trying to avoid the word limit by putting information in long annotations that should be in the main body of the text.

### **Definitions**

Label: less than, and including, 10 words

Annotations: over 10 words

### **Words not included in the word count**

Title page

Acknowledgements

Contents page

Titles, subtitles

Citations, references and bibliography

Footnotes (up to a maximum of 15 words)

Appendices—containing only raw data and/or calculations

Photographs

Map legends and/or keys

Labels—notation must be less than 10 words

Tables—tables of statistical, numerical data, or categories, classes or group names

Calculations

### **Words included in the word count**

Every word of all annotations.

Main text: the introduction, hypotheses, analysis, conclusion and evaluation, wherever these appear.