



How 2011 Census data can help you

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Understanding home ownership and renting with FREE census statistics

Good quality decisions need to be based on good quality information. Data from the 2011 Census can help you to understand home ownership and renting, second addresses and even the type of conditions people are living within their homes in England and Wales.

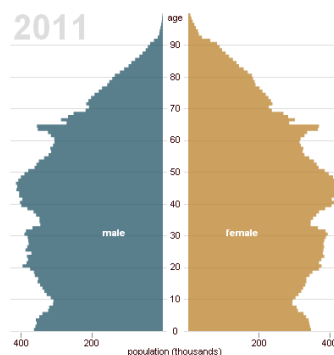
The census is an unrivalled source of information and now is the perfect time to take advantage of it. A census of the population takes place every ten years and the last one was in March 2011 when the Office for National Statistics (ONS) sent questionnaires to around 26 million addresses in England and Wales. The information has been processed and data has started to be published covering everything from the number, sex, ages and ethnicity of the population, to living conditions, health, whether we have more than one address, how we travel to work and educational qualifications.

Why census statistics are so special

- **Detailed information about local areas:**

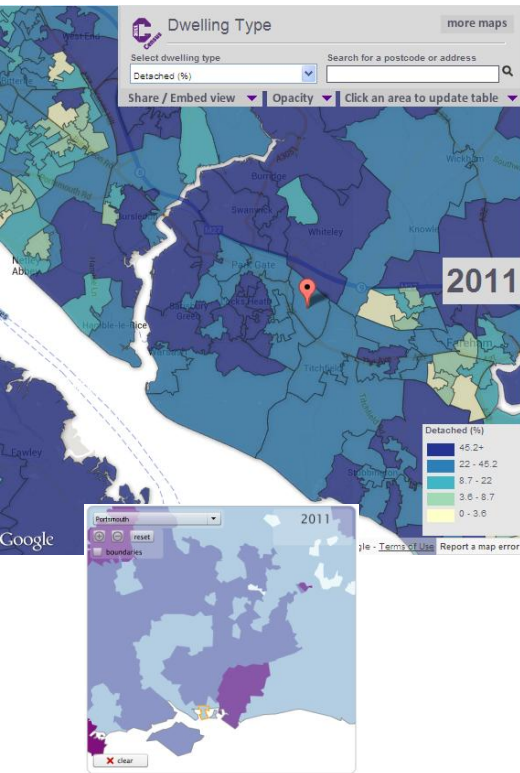
One great advantage of census statistics is that they are available down to very small geographical areas. So, as well as information about the population at a national level, you can also drill down to individual local authorities and even to postcodes.

- **Free of charge:** Another advantage is that census data is free of charge. Only when you need a specific result that does not form part of the standard range of statistical output tables will any charge be levied. A commissioned table service is available to cover these requests.



www.ons.gov.uk/census

Just some examples – what the 2011 Census shows us



- Fastest growing population since 1801 – England and Wales population **56.1 million** on 27 March 2011, a rise by 3.7 million since 2001
- **23.4 million** households in 2011, an increase of 1.7 million from 2001
- Over 1.5 million usual residents had a **second address** in England and Wales
- Number of households renting went up 1.6 million to **8.3 million** since 2001
- Renting from private landlords has almost **doubled** (1.7 million to 3.6 million compared to 2001) and social renting has fallen by 100,000 over the last decade
- Home ownership over the last decade has fallen by **5 per cent** to 64 per cent

Getting the latest 2011 Census statistics is easy

There are two ways to access census statistics but the easiest way is online.

1 Dedicated census site online: Explore the range of census data, visit the Office for National Statistics website at www.ons.gov.uk/census

> Census results: More than just data

While dozens of statistical tables are derived from the census, help is available when it comes to finding the information that you need. Alongside the statistics themselves, ONS publishes statistical bulletins that summarise the key issues for each set of figures published.

> Census analysis: The stories behind the data

There are also a number of 'short stories' that offer analysis of themes such as general health, disability, the provision of unpaid care, migrants, ethnicity, languages, religion, families and households.

> Census interactive: Understand your local community

There is a selection of interactive maps and graphics that bring to life the data and enables the visualisation of topics across areas and time.

2 Census Customer Services: here to help you find and interpret data

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