

## Preliminary results from the 2011 Census

On census night (27<sup>th</sup> March 2011) the population in England and Wales was 56.1 million, 53.0 million in England and 3.1 million in Wales. This was the largest the population had ever been.

The population of England and Wales grew by 3.7 million in the 10 years since the last census, rising from 52.4 million in 2001, an increase of 7.1 per cent. This was the largest growth in the population in England and Wales in any 10-year period since census taking began, in 1801.

The median age of the population in England and Wales was 39. For men, the median age was 38 and for women it was 40. In 1911, the median age was 25.

The percentage of the population aged 65 and over was the highest seen in any census at 16.4 per cent, that is one in six people in the population was 65 and over.

There were 430,000 residents aged 90 and over in 2011 compared with 340,000 in 2001 and 13,000 in 1911.

In 2011, there were 3.5 million children under five in England and Wales, 406,000 more than in 2001.

The population of Nottinghamshire in 2011 was 785,800 which is an increase of 37,300 from the comparable figure for 2001.

In 2011 there were 45,300 children aged under five years in Nottinghamshire and 5,900 people aged 90 and over.

In Nottinghamshire 23.0% of the population is aged under 20 years and 12.6% is aged over 70 years.

The number of people aged 60-74 has increased by 25% since 2001 and now stands at 130,300. The population aged 60 and over represents 24.1% of the total population in Nottinghamshire, up from 21.1% in 2001.

### 2011 Census: Usually resident population

Area	Males	Females	Persons
<b>Nottinghamshire</b>	<b>386,700</b>	<b>399,100</b>	<b>785,800</b>
Ashfield	58,700	60,800	119,500
Bassetlaw	56,000	56,800	112,900
Broxtowe	54,100	55,400	109,500
Gedling	55,400	58,200	113,600
Mansfield	51,300	53,100	104,400
Newark and Sherwood	56,500	58,300	114,800
Rushcliffe	54,700	56,400	111,100

The population of each of the districts within Nottinghamshire has increased. The largest change was in Newark and Sherwood with an additional 8,500 residents since 2001 which represents an increase of 8.0%. The smallest change was in Gedling with an additional 1,800 representing an increase of 1.6%. The population of Nottinghamshire overall has increased by 5.0%

There were 23.4 million households in England and Wales in 2011, a 7.5% increase on the 21.7 million households in 2001. This was the second lowest percentage increase in households found between censuses in the last 100 years, only the period between 1991 and 2001 showed lower growth at 7.2%.

The latest figures show that average household size has almost halved in the last 100 years. In 1911 average household size was 4.3, by 1961 it was 3.0, and in 2011 it was 2.4. The long-term decrease in household size reflects the decline in the total fertility rate and the ageing of the population over the century. It also reflects changes in the structure of

society; for example, unmarried adults who would have lived with their parents earlier in the century were more likely to live in one person households.

The number of households in Nottinghamshire in 2011 was 334,300. This is an increase of around 20,300 from 2001 and represents a change of 6.5%.

**2011 Census: All households with at least one usual resident**

Area	Households with at least one usual resident
<b>Nottinghamshire</b>	<b>334,300</b>
Ashfield	50,900
Bassetlaw	47,700
Broxtowe	46,800
Gedling	49,400
Mansfield	44,900
Newark and Sherwood	48,800
Rushcliffe	45,800

The number of households in each of the districts in Nottinghamshire has increased since 2001. The largest change was in Newark and Sherwood with an additional 4,300 households which represents an increase of 9.7%. The smallest change was in Broxtowe with an additional 1,400 households representing an increase of 3.1%.

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