

Release of Census 2011 Information

The Census count took place on 27 March 2011 led by the Office of National Statistics (ONS).

Following this, the ONS has undertaken extensive work to ensure that the results are reliable, accurate and offer near-full coverage of the country; advanced estimation techniques are used to estimate non-response information. Independent surveys have estimated that West Sussex has produced a high Census return rate.

The ONS are now ready to start releasing this data.

Due to the breadth and depth of the Census results, the majority of the statistics will be released in four separate stages. Headline population estimates will be available in the first release, on 16 July 2012, via the ONS website.

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/census/2011/index.html>

Release 1: Headline data only – 16 July 2012

- Population estimates for England and Wales, per year and by sex.
- Population estimates for England and Wales at Local Authority level by 5-year age bands* (ie 0-5, 6-10 etc)
- Occupied household estimates for England and Wales at Local Authority level

*WSSCC utilises data in individual year bands, so we await the data that will be available in Release 2 for our own population analysis.

Release 2: Key statistics – from November 2012 to February 2013

This is a release of much more detailed data, drilling right down to ward level for population, sex, age and household numbers etc.

Headline data includes:

Population	Economic activity
Age structure for the population	Hours worked
Living arrangements	Main language
Marital and civil partnership status	Passports held
Country of birth	Household language
Ethnic Group	National identity
Religion	Length of residency in UK
Health and provision of unpaid care	

Release 3: Statistics using multiple data – March to June 2013

This release is for more complicated data such as "Age, by sex and resident type" and "Sex and age, by economic activity" so it uses one or more pieces of data and references it/them against other data. This is known as multivariate data, or cross-tabulation.

This Release in itself will have three phases – initially to Local Authority level, the second phase at ward level and the third at parish level, between March and June of 2013.

Release 4: further multivariate statistics – July to October 2013

This consists of more detailed cross-tabulation information.

Further information

A full list of all the data that is being released at each stage can be found in the ONS Census Prospectus, available to view from their website at:

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/census/2011/census-data/2011-census-prospectus/index.html>

West Sussex data (see below) will be available on our WSCC website in the same location as the 2001 Census data:

http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/living/planning/planning-related_facts_and.aspx

It will also be available in the West Sussex Data Store:

http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/your_council/open_data/west_sussex_data_store.aspx

WSCC work - analysis

To inform policy work undertaken by the County Council, some analysis of the Census data will be undertaken by officers, as in previous years. The work will be undertaken when the relevant data is released. Our main analysis will consist of:

Work Area	Lead	Data Release
Population Estimates	Sam Mason	Release 2
Housing – type of dwelling, tenure, occupancy rates	Sam Mason	Mostly Release 3
Health and Disability	Louisa Hall	Release 4
Ward and District level profiles	Ross Maconachie	Release 2
Economic activity	Sue Cooper	Release 3 and 4
Occupations - basic	Sue Cooper	Release 2
Occupations – detailed	Sue Cooper	Release 3 and 4

WSCC work – Census bulletins

Officers have previously provided Census Bulletins; these are two page summaries profiling West Sussex on specific themes. Ten issues were released following the 2001 Census (available on the WSCC website), and officers intend to replicate these for 2011. They provide useful summaries on the following:

What is the Census?
Population of West Sussex
Health in West Sussex
Households in West Sussex
Economic activity in West Sussex
Car ownership and Mode of Travel to Work in West Sussex
Older People in West Sussex
Educational Qualifications in West Sussex
Marital Status and Household Composition in West Sussex
Ethnicity and Religion in West Sussex

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