

## ONS Navigation Instructions

First Results data can be found by going to the **First results and timeline** section from the link - <https://www.ons.gov.uk/census>

After clicking on the above link, you will be presented with this page.

One way to find published Census 2021 data is to click on the **Get census data** section shown below:


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## Scotland and Northern Ireland censuses

We are responsible for the census in England and Wales.

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After clicking on Get Census data, a screen appears for you to choose a topic from the Filter results list on left-hand side of page. You can also select content type.

## 99 datasets

### Filter results

Sort by Relevance 

Census

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- Demography (17)
- Education (5)
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- ...

### Employment in regions of England and the country of Wales

**Released on:** 13 March 2023 | **Dataset**

Adults living in the regions of England and the country of Wales who are in and out of work. Covering employment, unemployment and inactivity. Census 2021 data.

### Employment in England and Wales

**Released on:** 13 March 2023 | **Dataset**

Adults living in England and Wales who are in and out of work. Covering employment, unemployment and inactivity. Census 2021 data.

### Employment in local authorities, England and Wales

**Released on:** 13 March 2023 | **Dataset**

Adults living in the local authorities of England and Wales who are in and out of work.

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- Publications (6801)
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- Datasets (3070)
- User requested data (8702)
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Depending on which categories are selected the relevant datasets will become available

e.g., if Ageing and Demography and data boxes are ticked this screen will appear:

## 13 datasets, time series and user requested data

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**Population density**  
Released on: 16 February 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates that classify usual residents in England and Wales by population density (number of usual residents per square kilometre). The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

**Number of Households**  
Released on: 16 February 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates on the number of households in England and Wales. The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

**Number of usual residents in households and communal establishments**  
Released on: 16 February 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates that classify usual residents in England and Wales by whether they resided in households and communal establishments. The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

**Number of non-UK short-term residents by sex**  
Released on: 16 February 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates that classify non-UK born short-term residents in England and Wales by sex. The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

**Household composition**  
Released on: 30 January 2023 | [Dataset](#)

Once you have selected and clicked onto your chosen dataset e.g., Population density, this screen will appear:

# Population density



**census 2021**

**Dataset ID:** TS006

**Released:** 18 November 2022

**Last updated:** 16 February 2023 — [See version history](#)

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### Summary

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[> Variable and dataset information](#)

### Variables

<b>Area type</b>	Lower Tier Local Authorities	<a href="#">Change</a>
<b>Coverage</b>	England and Wales	<a href="#">Change</a>

If this search meets your criteria, please skip the Adjusting the datasets instructions and proceed to choose your format then click on green **Download** button.

## Get the data

### Download the data in the following formats

- XLSX format (17.3 KB)  
Dataset and supporting information
- CSV format (9.1 KB)  
Machine readable dataset
- TXT format (3.3 KB)  
Supporting information
- CSVW format (2.2 KB)  
Machine readable supporting information



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## Protecting personal data

Sometimes we need to make changes to data if it is possible to identify individuals. This is known as statistical disclosure control.

In Census 2021, we:

- swapped records (targeted record swapping), for example, if a household

When choosing your format for your data the standard is the XLS format

## Adjusting the datasets

1) If you are looking for a different type of area, such as regions, you can change the **area type**.

## Variables

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# Area type

## Select area type

England and Wales (1)

Countries (2)

Regions (10)

England is the only country in the UK that is split into regions. They used to be called "government office regions." There are nine regions in total and although they no longer have devolved functions, they are still used for statistical purposes.

Upper Tier Local Authorities (174)

Lower Tier Local Authorities (331)

Westminster Parliamentary Constituencies (573)

Electoral wards and divisions (7,638)

Middle Layer Super Output Areas (7,264)

Lower Layer Super Output Areas (35,672)

Output Areas (188,880)

[Continue](#)

2) You can change the coverage type to London, by adjusting the **coverage**,

Please note, not all datasets will be available at Output Area, Lower Layer Super Output Areas, and Electoral wards/Divisions geographies.

<b>Area type</b>	Lower Tier Local Authorities	<a href="#">Change</a>
<b>Coverage</b>	England and Wales	<a href="#">Change</a>

# Coverage

Select the geography you would like your dataset to cover

- All lower tier local authorities within England and Wales
- Search for lower tier local authorities by name

**Enter an area name or code**

**Results**

City of London

- Select all lower tier local authorities within a larger area

**Continue**

# Review changes

## Variables

<b>Population type</b>	All usual residents	
<b>Area type</b>	Lower Tier Local Authorities	<a href="#">Change</a>
<b>Coverage</b>	England and Wales	<a href="#">Change</a>

> [Variable and dataset information](#)

**Get the data**

Once you are happy with your specific request click on **Get the data** green button.

Alternative way to find Census 2021 data by topic

Click on specific topic box below: e.g., Ethnic group, national identity, language, and religion



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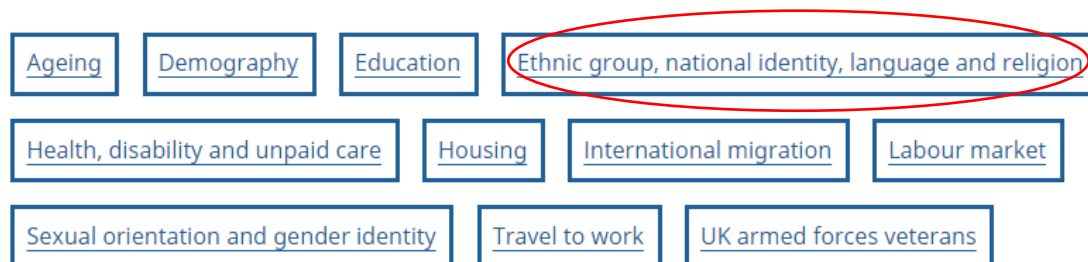
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**Content type**

Show only  Clear all

### Religion by age and sex, England and Wales

**Released on:** 30 January 2023 | [Article](#)

### Welsh language skills (writing)

**Released on:** 30 January 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates that classify usual residents in Wales by their ability to write Welsh. The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

### Welsh language skills (detailed)

**Released on:** 30 January 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates that classify usual residents in Wales by their overall Welsh language skills. The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

### National identity (detailed)

**Released on:** 30 January 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates that classify usual residents in England and Wales by their national identity. The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

### Religion (detailed)

**Released on:** 30 January 2023 | [Dataset](#)

This dataset provides Census 2021 estimates that classify usual residents in England and Wales by religion. The estimates are as at Census Day, 21 March 2021.

A list of all the relevant datasets will appear – please follow the above instructions to obtain data.

There are several other sections to Census 2021 data which may also be of interest on the Census hub page:

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[Bulk data](#) allows users to download large datasets using the [Nomis](#) website. Nomis is a service run on behalf of the Office for National Statistics by Durham University.

Separate Nomis navigations are available upon request from Census Customer Services.

**Census 2021 Bulk Data Download**

Topic Summaries Bulk

2021 Census Bulk Data Download

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Bulk data products package all the data from a 2021 Census dataset as a single zip file. Each zip file contains separate CSV files for each geographic type (OA, LSOA, MSOA etc). The first row of the CSV file contains the column headings with data following on row 2 onwards. Each data row contains the values for a single geographic area.

There are two zip files for each dataset:

- The first contains data for the geographies in the original release: output areas, super output areas, local authorities, regions and countries.
- The second contains the extra geographies added after the original release. As of 30 Jan 2023 these geographies are: 2021 wards. Other geographies will be added as they are released.

**Protecting personal data**

Sometimes we need to make changes to data if it is possible to identify individuals. This is known as statistical disclosure control. In Census 2021, we:

- Swapped records (targeted record swapping), for example, if a household was likely to be identified in datasets because it has unusual characteristics, we swapped the record with a similar one from a nearby small area. Very unusual households could be swapped with one in a nearby local authority.
- Added small changes to some counts (cell key perturbation), for example, we might change a count of four to a three or a five. This might make small differences between tables depending on how the data are broken down when we applied perturbation.

**Demography and migration**

<b>TS001</b>	Number of usual residents in households and communal establishments	census2021-ts001.zip	census2021-ts001-extra.zip
<b>TS002</b>	Legal partnership status	census2021-ts002.zip	census2021-ts002-extra.zip
<b>TS003</b>	Household composition	census2021-ts003.zip	census2021-ts003-extra.zip
<b>TS004</b>	Country of birth	census2021-ts004.zip	census2021-ts004-extra.zip
<b>TS005</b>	Passports held	census2021-ts005.zip	census2021-ts005-extra.zip
<b>TS006</b>	Population density	census2021-ts006.zip	census2021-ts006-extra.zip
<b>TS007</b>	Age by single year of age	census2021-ts007.zip	census2021-ts007-extra.zip
<b>TS007A</b>	Age by five-year age bands	census2021-ts007a.zip	
<b>TS008</b>	Sex	census2021-ts008.zip	census2021-ts008-extra.zip

[Census dictionary](#) provides definitions, variables, and classifications to help when using Census 2021 data. Further information can be found by clicking on each grey tile.

## Census 2021 dictionary

Definitions, variables and classifications to help when using Census 2021 data.

### Measurements used in Census 2021 data

Includes definitions for usual resident, person, household, family and communal establishment.

### Variables by topic

Variables for use with research and analysis using Census 2021 data.

[Planning for the Census 2021](#) How we researched, prepared, and planned for Census 2021. Further information can be found by clicking on each title of each grey tile:

## Planning for Census 2021

Our research, preparations and plans for the 2021 Census.

### Census design

Designing, collecting and processing data from census 2021.

### Quality assurance of Census 2021

How we check the quality of the data.

### Question development

How we researched and tested the questions for the questionnaire.

### Testing the census

Rehearsing and testing processes, systems and services.

### Census consultations

Your views about what should be included in the census questionnaire and outputs.

### UK census data

How we work with other agencies to bring together UK census data.

### National Statistics accreditation

Our work to publish census outputs in line with the UK Statistics Authority's code of practice.

[Get all historic data](#) Find census data and analysis for 2011 and earlier.

## Historic census data

Find data from the 2011 census and earlier.

<h3>Get 2011 Census data on Nomis</h3> <p>Find different types of data on topics from the 2011 Census for areas in England, Wales and the UK.</p>	<h3>Get 2001 Census data on Nomis</h3> <p>Find different types of data on topics from the 2001 Census for areas in England and Wales.</p>	<h3>1991 and earlier censuses</h3> <p>Results from all previous censuses are available - those before the 1960's are in printed reports, but with many more recent results in electronic form.</p>
<h3>1961 Census small area statistics (BETA)</h3> <p>The 1961 Census Small Area Statistics digitisation project is part of a body of work to make more historic Census outputs available to the public.</p>	<h3>2011 Census ad-hoc tables</h3> <p>Census ad-hoc tables are produced in response to user requests and contain combinations of data that are not available in standard publications.</p>	

## Geography

[View census data on a map](#) allows users to view Census 2021 data for different areas

The screenshot shows the 'Census maps' interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with the following elements:
 

- Census maps**: Use our maps to find out what people's lives were like across England and Wales in March 2021.
- Area**: England and Wales (dropdown menu)
- Mode**: Census 2021 (dropdown menu)
- Topic**: Search Census 2021 (input field with search icon)
- Population**: People, their living arrangements and where they come from.
- Education**: People in education and qualifications they hold.
- Identity**: How people identify themselves and their beliefs.
- Housing**: Types of homes and the people living in them.
- Health**: (category with right arrow)
- Work**: (category with right arrow)

 On the right, a map of England and Wales is shown with various cities and regions labeled. A teal button with a left-pointing arrow and the text 'Select a topic to visualise' is positioned over the map. The map itself is currently blank, showing only the geographical outline and labels for major cities like London, Manchester, Birmingham, and others.

## [Find facts and figures about areas](#)

# Find facts and figures about areas in England and Wales

Get data about people and the communities they live in, includes population, identity, housing, people in or out of work, education and health.

You can find information about your area, local authority, ward, parish or parliamentary constituency.

If you do not know the name of the area or postcode you can start your search from either [England](#) or [Wales](#).

### Search by area name or postcode

For example, "Titchfield" or "PO15 5RR"

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## Labour market and population data

Some specialist data are also published on Nomis, an Office for National Statistics service. Find out how to get [labour market and population data for areas within the UK](#).

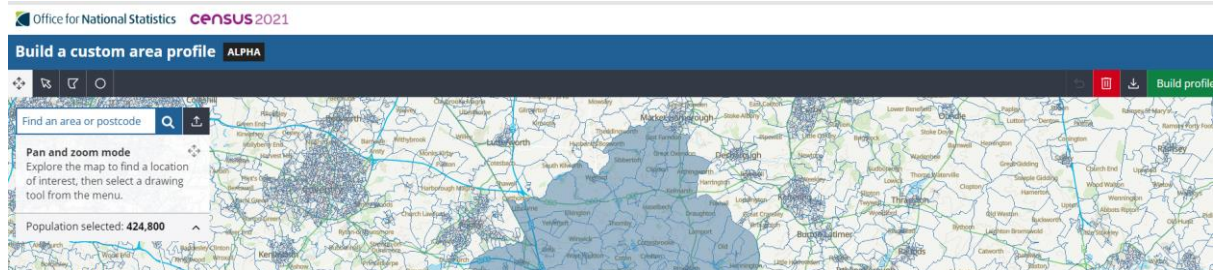
## Other countries in the UK

Scotland and Northern Ireland have their own agencies who produce official statistics. View facts and figures for areas in:

— [Scotland](#) 

— [Northern Ireland](#) 

[Build a custom area profile](#) is a simple tool that allows you to create a Census 2021 data profile covering any area in England and Wales, including one that you draw for yourself on a map. Separate instructions are available.



Census releases – see what we've published, and our plans for future releases.

[Release calendar](#) Here you can select releases have been published or upcoming releases.

Release calendar

**Published releases** Upcoming releases

15 releases containing 'census' [RSS feed](#) [Email alerts](#) [Add to your calendar \(ICS\)](#)

Refine results [Clear all](#)

Search keywords  
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Day Month Year

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Need an earlier release?  
We moved them to The National Archives website, to keep this website as responsive as possible.

Families in England and Wales: **Census 2021**  
May 2023 (provisional)

Dwellings data, England and Wales: **Census 2021**  
30 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)

Migration and the labour market, England and Wales: **Census 2021**  
21 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)

Unpaid care and protected characteristics, England and Wales: **Census 2021**  
April 2023 (provisional)

Data combining multiple variables, England and Wales: **Census 2021**  
28 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)

Rebasing of mid-year population estimates following **Census 2021**, England and Wales



## First results and timeline

### Release plans

Our plans for the release of Census 2021 data and analysis, including first results, topic summaries, multivariate data and specialist data.

Last updated: 7 March 2023

We aim to publish all main Census 2021 data on the population of England and Wales within two years of the census.

We will be adding ward level geographies to each topic summary for Census 2021 for England and Wales. You can [see what we're planning to publish on the release calendar](#).

### Interactive content

We have created several interactive products using Census 2021 topic summary data. You can [use these products to find facts and figures about areas in England and Wales](#).

Census maps is an interactive tool to explore Census 2021 topic summary data across England and Wales for different topics down to a neighbourhood level. Explore your area on the [Census maps page](#).

You can also [access area profiles](#), which allow users to view statistics from across different topics for a particular area. Alternatively, you can [draw your own area and create a custom area profile](#).

To tell the local stories from Census 2021 topic summaries, we have published interactive reports for every local authority in England and Wales. These articles and charts highlight the most interesting changes in that area. Look at [how your area has changed in 10 years](#).

Clicking on the highlighted link returns you to the [Release calendar](#).

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6,275 releases

**Refine results** Clear all

Search keywords

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**Need an earlier release?**

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**Please note:** all historical data is still on this website.

**Coronavirus (COVID-19) Infection Survey, UK: 16 March 2023**  
16 March 2023 14:00 (confirmed)

**The dispersion of price changes in the Consumer Prices Index**  
16 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)

**Economic activity and social change in the UK, real-time indicators: 16 March 2023**  
16 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)

**Life expectancy in care homes, England and Wales: 2021 to 2022**  
16 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)

**Ethnic group by education, employment, health and housing, England and Wales: Census 2021**  
15 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)  
This date has been changed from 3 March 2023 09:30

**Deaths in care homes, UK: 2015 to 2021 (final), 2022 (provisional)**  
15 March 2023 09:30 (confirmed)

**Overseas travel and tourism: October and November 2022 provisional results**

Flexible datasets can be accessed here: [Data combining multiple variables, England and Wales: Census 2021](#)

Select a dataset from the list that appears:

Select dataset: e.g., Sex by single year of age (detailed)

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\* Westminster parliamentary constituencies

#### > Variable and dataset information

### Variables

**Population type** Usual residents

**Area type** Lower tier local authorities

[Change](#)

**Coverage** England and Wales

[Change](#)

**Age** 91 Categories

- Aged under 1 year
- Aged 1 year
- Aged 2 years
- ...
- Aged 43 years
- Aged 44 years
- Aged 45 years
- ...
- Aged 88 years
- Aged 89 years
- Aged 90 years and over

[Show all 91 categories](#)

**Sex** 2 Categories

- Female
- Male

[Add or remove variable](#)

You can change Area type, coverage and variable and add or remove variable:

If you require any further assistance with accessing census data from any census year, please contact us at [census.customerservices@ons.gov.uk](mailto:census.customerservices@ons.gov.uk)