



2021 Census

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Background

- Rich, detailed picture - population and society at a **point in time**
- Helps inform planning and funding of services
- Small geographies (e.g. parishes)
- Run by Office for National Statistics (ONS)
- Census day - 21 March 2021
- 98% response in CW&C (97% Eng&W, 90% responded online)
- Main results now available [Census 2021 - ONS release plans](#)



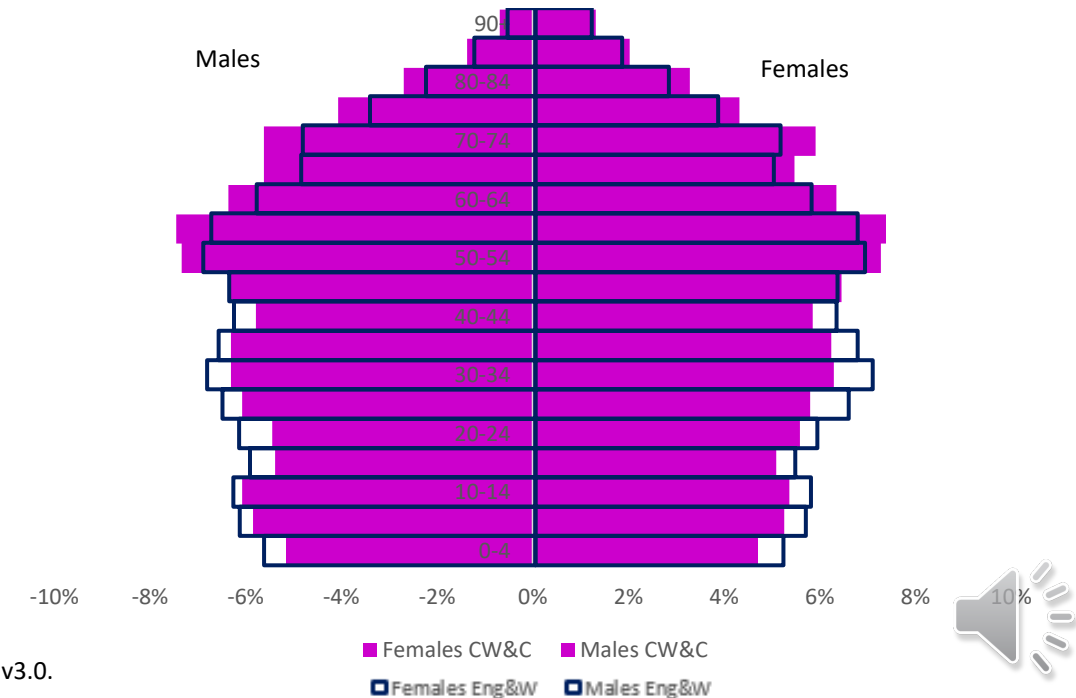


Population and households in Cheshire West and Chester

- **357,200 population** – increase of 8.4% (27,600) since 2011 Census (6.3% in Eng&W).
- **155,200 households** (141,400 (2011 Census))

Increase in older people (65+)

- 24.2% (14,800) more people aged 65+ than in 2011 (20.0% increase in Eng&W)
- 75,900 people aged 65+ in 2021 (61,100 in 2011)
- Older age structure in CW&C than England & Wales.





Topic summaries

(Univariate data (one variable only) and published down to Output Area (OA) level (small areas with around 300 people), where possible)

Demography - 30.2% (46,889) of households are people who live alone (30.2% in Eng&W), 21,284 of these are lone pensioner households (aged 66+).

Veterans - 4.5% (13,354) of usual residents (16+) said they had previously served in the UK armed forces (3.8% in Eng&W).

Ethnicity, language and religion - 8.8% (31,529) of usual residents were from minority ethnic groups (including White groups; Irish, Gypsy or Irish Traveller, Roma and Other) (5.3% (17,595) in 2011). 25.6% in Eng&W.

Labour supply and travel to work - 31.5% (53,184) of usual residents aged 16+ and in employment the week before the Census worked mainly from home (31.2% in Eng&W).

Sexual orientation and gender identity (voluntary 16+) - 2.8% (8,313) identified with an LGB+ orientation (Gay or Lesbian, Bisexual or Other sexual orientation)

Housing - More households renting, 30.4% (47,094) than in 2011 (27.2%)

Education - 35.7% (105,387) of usual residents aged 16+ had level 4 qualification (degree or equivalent) (33.8% in Eng&W)

Health, disability and unpaid carers - 17.9% of residents were disabled (Disabled under the Equality Act) (18.8% in 2011) (17.8% in Eng&W)



ONS data and tools

Where to access data...



NOMIS – census data

2021 Census

The 2021 Census was taken on 21st March 2021. The full data from this census are available in several hundred separate datasets (or tables), covering the whole range of population characteristics and subject areas.

An area profile is available for this data source

[View Area Profile](#)

Topic Summaries

Topic summaries generally provides information about a single census topic. These figures are available from national level down to the very small census output areas.

Ready Made Tables

Ready made tables are multivariate data from Census 2021. These data allow you to combine different variables and look at the relationships between the data.

Non-UK Born Short-term Residents

This series contains statistics about characteristics of non-UK born short-term residents living in England and Wales.

Topic summaries – ONS (data, commentary)

Housing, England and Wales: Census 2021

Accommodation type, tenure, rooms and bedrooms, central heating and car or van availability in England and Wales, Census 2021 data.

This is the latest release. [View previous releases](#)

census 2021



Contact:
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Release date:
5 January 2023

Next release:
To be announced

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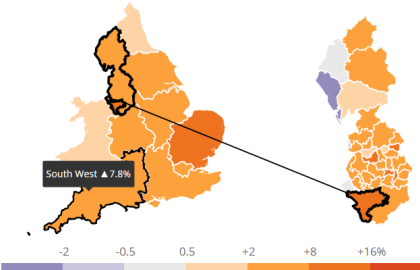
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Population growth was higher in Cheshire West and Chester than across the North West

Percentage population change, Cheshire West and Chester and surrounding areas, 2011 Census to Census 2021

England ▲6.6% North West ▲5.2% Cheshire West and Chester ▲8.4%



Source: Office for National Statistics – 2011 Census and Census 2021

How your local authority has changed in 10 years: Census 2021

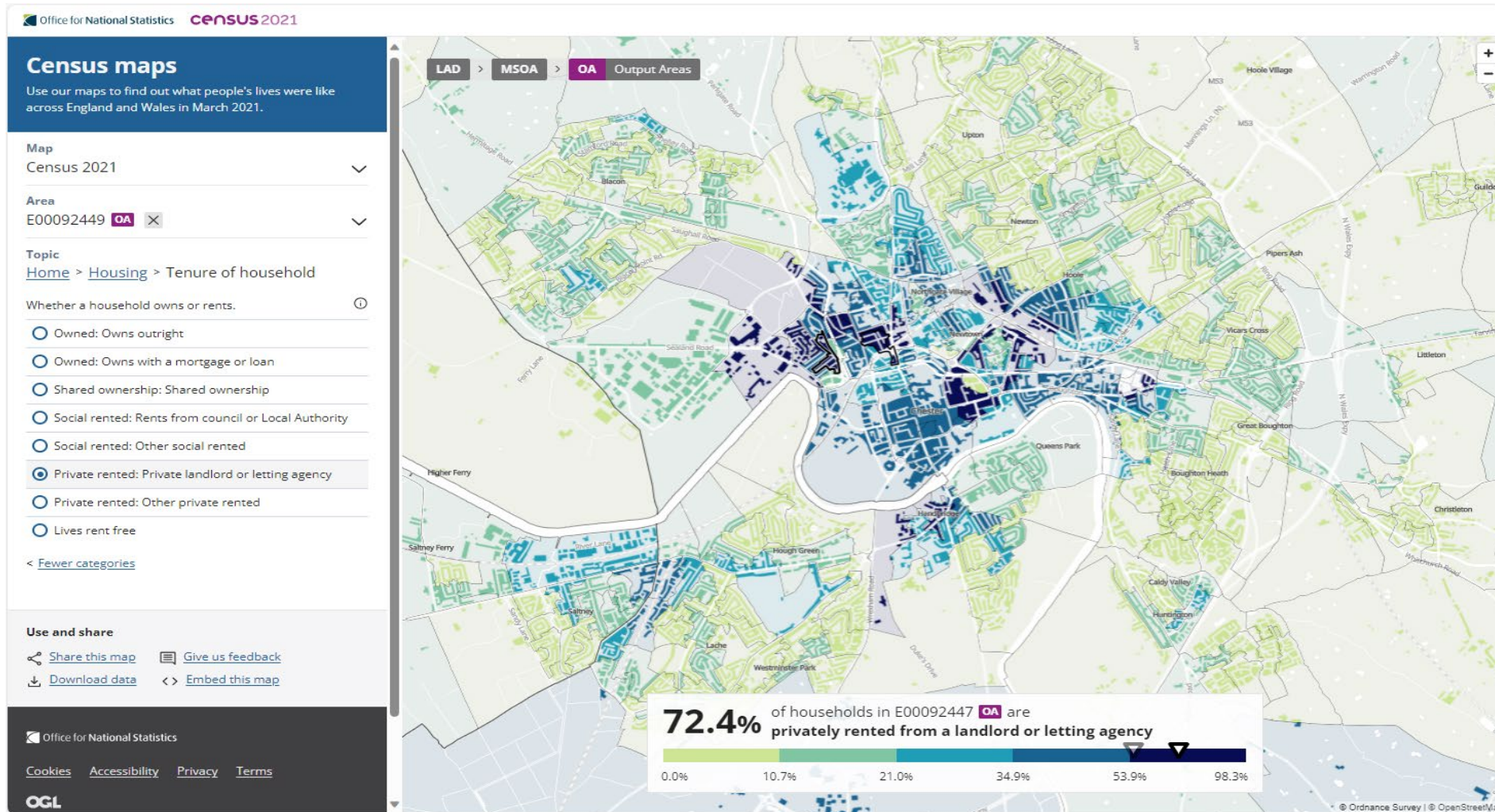
Plus a scrollytelling article: Cheshire West and Chester population change, Census 2021 – ONS



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- Census Maps - Census 2021 data interactive, ONS



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- [Build a custom census area profile, ONS](#)

Build a custom area profile

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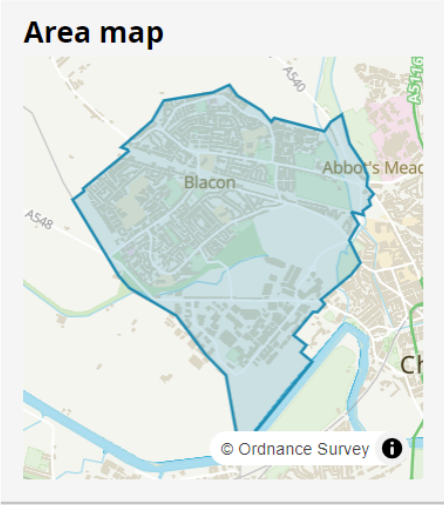
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Profile preview

Blacon

Area map



Population

14,100

people

56,490,000 people in England

Rounded to the nearest 100 people

Country of birth

Blacon | (England)

Born in the UK 90.7% (82.6%)

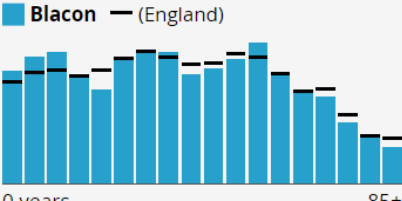
Accommodation type

Blacon | (England)

Whole house or bungalow 84.6% (77.4%)

Age profile

Blacon — (England)



0 years 85+

% of all people, 5 year age bands

Central heating

Blacon | (England)

Does not have central heating 1.1% (1.5%)

Looking for another topic?

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- [Create a custom census dataset, ONS](#)

Custom dataset

All 45 areas available

Variables

Population type	All usual residents	
Area type	Electoral wards and divisions	Change
Coverage	Cheshire West and Chester	Change
Age	6 categories • Aged 15 years and under • Aged 16 to 24 years • Aged 25 to 34 years • Aged 35 to 49 years • Aged 50 to 64 years • Aged 65 years and over	Change
Disability	3 categories • Disabled under the Equality Act	Change



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	Electoral wards and divisions Code	Electoral wards and divisions	Age (6 categories)	Age (6 categories)	Disability (3 categories)	Disability (3 categories)	Observation
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For more information on any of these tools: [Census 2021 interactive content - Census 2021](#)





Impact on population estimates

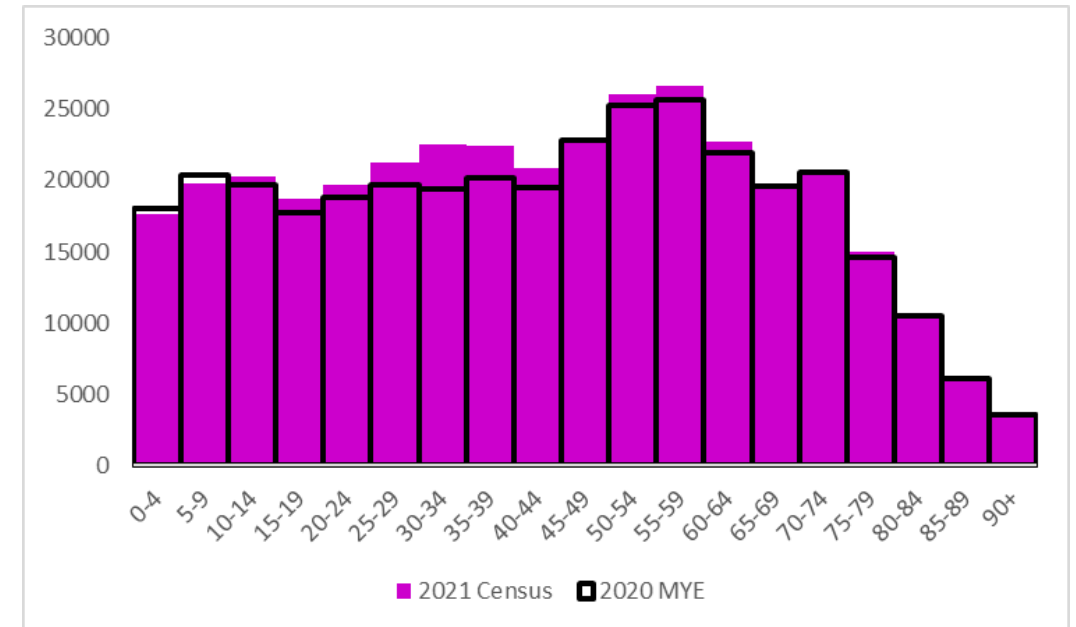
2021 Census day population estimate (357,200) is 3.9% (13,400) higher than the mid-2020 estimate (343,800).

Key difference is 25-44 age group - 10.6% (8,400) more people (2021 Census) than mid-2020 estimate.

Why is this important?

Funding, unemployment rates, fertility rates, life expectancy, benefit take up, COVID rates ...

Differences will be larger for some smaller geographies



ONS are working to revise all their previous population estimates from 2012 to 2020

Be aware:

- Impact on trendlines, period of flux
- Statistical disclosure control, record swapping, small changes to some cells in some tables, statistics in different tables may not match
- Output area geographies changed in 2021
- COVID – furlough, working from home, view of ‘general health’



JSNA products



- [Cheshire West and Chester Council - Census 2021](#)
- [2021 Census first results bulletin \(June 2022\)](#)
- [State of borough](#)
- [Ward profiles](#)

