

2011 Census: Populations and number of households by settlement in Scottish Borders

The Census is the most detailed, and sometimes the only, source of demographic information for settlements at a very high level of geographical detail and is carried out once every 10 years. Information from the 2011 Census is available on a wide range of topics for all settlements and small areas of around 50 people or more. The Census is unique in that it attempts to represent a 100% count of the population, as opposed to most other sources, which are either samples or estimates.

Accuracy and reliability

The Census can never be 100% accurate as some records may have been estimated to replace any missing values and some values are swapped around to prevent accidental disclosure of personally identifiable details. Nevertheless the Census is still most accurate and reliable “estimated count” of the Scottish population available.

Census Geography

Census data are based on a unit of measurement known as the Census Output Area. These Census Output Areas were created principally to enumerate the Census but they also form the basis of all small-area demographic analysis in Scotland. All higher geographies, including Datazones, are based on them. They generally attempt to match Local Plan settlement boundaries, as long as the minimum population threshold is met. This makes them a convenient basis for demographic analysis on small areas that do not match other administrative areas, such as individual villages and Community Councils.

If a Census Output Area for a settlement does not meet its minimum population threshold, it will include some residents from outside the settlement. In the following tables, this is mentioned whenever it occurs, as, for example, in Kelso, where one of the Census Output Areas that describes Kelso also includes a small part of the neighbouring village of Sprouston. On the ground, this makes little difference to Kelso but may have a larger impact on getting accurate counts for Sprouston.

The settlements that are grouped together can be as small as a hamlet or an individual farmstead. In the tables below, if a village is listed with other named settlements “and area”, this is taken to include any other smaller hamlets and agricultural holdings in the immediate local area. The population of a single farm holding will make little difference to the local area population total, but in some rural areas of the Scottish Borders where isolated properties are scattered over a wide area, it all adds up.

Census Data Availability in Scottish Borders

Scotland’s Census, along with all of Scotland’s publically-available demographic statistics, is the responsibility of Scottish Government and all the 2011 Census data are freely available to download at www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk. This website features drop-down lists where the user can select and download tables at Local-Authority level and a few other sub-Local Authority levels, such as Parliamentary Constituency. This website is a recommended “first port of call” for anyone interested in seeing what is available in the 2011 Census. However, these tables do not include small-area data such as settlements and Community Council areas. The data are available for every Census Output Area but the sheer volume of data makes it difficult and confusing for the casual user to find what they are looking for. This is where this guide aims to help.

SBC Research & Information Service

The Scottish Borders Council Research & Information Service can help you find the information you need from the 2011 Census. If you would like us to help you find something, contact us at research@scotborders.gov.uk. We will do our best to help you and if there are any particular pieces of information from the Census that are more frequently-requested, we will publish them as reports on the Scottish Borders Council webpage.

Populations and numbers of households at settlement and very small-area level are amongst the most frequently-requested information requested from the 2011 Census.

The following tables contain a complete list of all the Census Output Areas in Scottish Borders, with their 2011 Census population and household count, summarised by settlement and with their Locality information. These figures represent the most detailed population counts that are available and show which small areas the figures are available for. Some local knowledge may be required to estimate the figure for any settlements that are listed in amongst other settlements or listed as "and area".

We hope you find what you are looking for. If you need any help using this document or accessing other Census statistics for very small areas, just contact us.

2011 Census Settlement Populations

Settlements over 10,000 population

Settlement	Locality	Total Population 2011	Number of Households
Hawick	Teviot & Liddesdale	14294	6972
Galashiels, excluding Tweedbank	Eildon	13684	6591

Settlements between 5,000 and 10,000 population

Settlement	Locality	Total Population 2011	Number of Households
Peebles	Tweeddale	8376	3853
Kelso*	Cheviot	6951	3324
Selkirk	Eildon	5784	2779

*includes part of Sprouston and the small settlement of Whitmuirhaugh

Settlements between 2,000 and 5,000 population

Settlement	Locality	Total Population 2011	Number of Households
Jedburgh	Cheviot	4030	1915
Eyemouth*	Berwickshire	3681	1686
Innerleithen	Tweeddale	3031	1416
Burnfoot estate, Hawick	Teviot & Liddesdale	3007	1229
Duns	Berwickshire	2753	1298
Langlee estate, Galashiels	Eildon	2666	1267
Melrose	Eildon	2010	920

* includes Ayton Castle and Peelwalls

Settlements between 1,000 and 2,000 population

Settlement	Locality	Total Population 2011	Number of Households
Coldstream	Berwickshire	1946	977
Earlston	Eildon	1779	809
Lauder	Eildon	1699	704
West Linton	Tweeddale	1547	636
St Boswells	Cheviot	1494	689
Chirnside	Berwickshire	1459	615
Tweedbank	Eildon	1310	537
Newtown St Boswells	Eildon	1182	574

Settlements between 500 and 1,000 population

Settlement	Locality	Total Population 2011	Number of Households
Bannerfield estate, Selkirk	Eildon	925	395
Cardrona	Tweeddale	883	322
Walkerburn ¹	Tweeddale	782	403
Newcastleton	Teviot & Liddesdale	768	385
Stow	Eildon	718	305
Denholm	Teviot & Liddesdale	653	320
Greenlaw	Berwickshire	653	294
Coldingham	Berwickshire	563	263
Clovenfords ²	Tweeddale	562	243
Yetholm	Cheviot	546	293
Ayton	Berwickshire	535	245

¹.includes Holylee and Thornielee

². includes Caddonlee

Settlements between 250 and 500 population

Settlement	Locality	Total Population 2011	Number of Households
Gattonside ¹	Eildon	461	208
Gordon	Berwickshire	454	197
Ancrum	Cheviot	448	198
Reston ²	Berwickshire	442	191
Cockburnspath	Berwickshire	434	189
Eddleston ³	Tweeddale	415	178
Darnick	Eildon	397	203
Oxton ⁴	Eildon	351	141
Lilliesleaf ⁵ .	Eildon	347	149
Broughton	Tweeddale	323	133
Newstead	Eildon	297	134
Bowden	Eildon	294	140
Paxton ⁶	Berwickshire	292	132
Birgham ⁷	Berwickshire	285	126
Swinton	Berwickshire	277	114

¹.includes Chiefswood

². includes Sunnyside and Horseley

³. includes Boreland, Stewarton and Harehope

⁴. includes Overhaugh and Inchkeith

⁵. includes Riddell and Hermiston

⁶. includes Clarabad and Spital but excludes Paxton House

⁷. includes Bartlehill and Homebank area

Settlements between 150 and 250 population, by Locality: Berwickshire

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Leitholm including Orange Lane and Antons Hill	232	103
Grantshouse, including Renton, Howpark, Quixwood and Drakemyre area	228	102
Longformacus including Horseupcleuch and Rawburn	192	73
Gavinton	189	93
Preston including Cockburn Mill and Marygold area	183	81
Kimmerghame	175	75
Grange, Houndwood and Blackhill	168	75
Lambden, Eccles Tofts and Mersington	166	74
Fogo, Charterhall and Printonan	165	71
Edrom and Lintlaw	161	73
Lennel and Milne Graden	160	67
The Hirsell, Darnchester and Marfield	154	69
Burnmouth	153	77
Westruther, Howlets Ha' and Thornydykes	153	60

Settlements between 150 and 250 population, by Locality: Cheviot

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Bemersyde, Drygrange and Leaderfoot area	213	75
Heiton, including Ladyrig and Roxburghe Hotel area but excluding Sunlaws village	204	98
Stichill, including Stichill Eastfield and Stichill Home Farm	203	88
Oxnam, including Newbigging, Crailinghall and Samieston	196	85
Springwood Park and Spylaw	182	100
Nenthorn, Sweethope and Harriethill area	168	72
Frogden, Caverton and Blakelaw	162	65
Newtonlees, Harpertoun and Eden Hall area	159	69
Charlesfield, Maxpoffle and Whitelee area	158	70
Ednam	157	67
Eckford and Kalemouth	154	70

Settlements between 150 and 250 population, by Locality: Eildon

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Fountainhall and Brockhouse	202	78
Heriot Village and Carcant, excluding Heriot Station	173	70
Borders General Hospital, Abbotsford and Holydean area	170	77
Ettrickbridge	167	75
Midlem	166	69
Legerwood, Birkeneside and Carolside area	150	67

Settlements between 150 and 250 population, by Locality: Teviot and Liddesdale

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Hassendean and Minto including Knowetownhead and Horsleyhill area	230	96
Bonchester Bridge including Hawthornside and Hobkirk	207	98
Boonraw, Whitehaugh and Borthaugh area	161	58
Chesters and Southdean	156	71

Settlements between 150 and 250 population, by Locality: Tweeddale

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Baddingsgill, Rutherford and Hazlieburn area	184	64
Kippit and Garvald	180	47
Lamanca and Whim Hall	170	63
Eshiels and Linnburn area	169	66
Carlops and Kitleyknowe	156	64

Settlements between 100 and 149 population by Locality: Berwickshire

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Manderston, Buxley and Mungos Walls area	148	67
St Abbs	147	74
Lamberton and Mordington	145	65
Biglawburn, Linthill and Temple Hall area	143	60
Duns Castle and Cumledge	140	60
Ladykirk	136	69
Chirnside Hall, Edington and Whitehall area	128	55
Paxton House/Fishwick/Crossrig	127	64
Eccles, Hassington and Kennetsideheads area	126	63
Hutton	126	63
Pouterlany, Raecleugh and Langtonlees area	121	50
Houndslow, Bassendean and Whiteburn area	120	49
Spottiswoode, Flass and Wedderlie area	120	47
Whitsomehill, Hilton and Langrigg area	119	52
Allanton	114	52
Flemington, East Flemington and Ross area	112	50
Kelloe, Blackadder and Tofthill area	111	51
Old Cambus, Redheugh Farm and Cove Farm area	111	53
Swintonmill, Kames and Bughtrig area	111	45
Gordon East Mains, Middlethird and Byrewalls area	110	48
Hume, Falsidehill and Stenmuir area	109	43
Abbey St Bathans	106	44
Chirnsidebridge, Oldcastles and Causewaybank area	102	52
West Loch, Northfield and Eastlaw area	101	49
Dunsmill, Cairnbank and Johnsfild area	100	47
East Reston, Aytonlaw and Whitfield area	100	49

Settlements between 100 and 149 population by Locality: Cheviot

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Lochside, Clifton and Sourhope area	142	62
Roxburgh	142	62
Whitton and Morebattle Mains	141	63
Makerstoun, Charterhouse and Haymount area	140	62
Nisbet	140	65
Linton and Morebattle Tofts	139	66
Camptown, /Falla and Mossburnford area	138	55
Sandystones, Ashieburn and Hopton area	130	52
Lanton and Newton	128	45
Wildcat Gate and Netherwells	125	50
Hoselaw, Graden and Cherrytrees area	122	53
Bonjedward	121	59
Smailholm, West Third and Smailholm Tower area	119	54
Morebattle	115	59
Hartrigge and Ulston	114	46
Maxton, Benrig and Greycrook area	113	57
Softlaw, Wooden House and Hunters Hall area	108	41
Swinnie, Glendouglas and Hunthill area	106	46
Belses, Bloomfield and Chesters area	102	49
Crailing	101	47
Hendersyde, Ferneyhill and Edenbank area	101	46
Floors, Galalaw and Kaimknowe area	100	46
Lempitlaw and Holefield	100	43
Morridgehall, Rutherford and Muirhouselaw	100	50

Settlements between 100 and 149 population by Locality: Eildon

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Falahill, Heriot Station and Nettlingflat area	148	60
Justicehall, Carfraemill and Headshaw area	141	61
Ashkirk and Woll	139	59
Yarrow and Yarrowford	139	52
Cowdenknowes, Sorrowlessfield and Craigsford area	132	52
Whitmuir, Dryden and Wollrig area	132	52
Blythe, Newbigging and Addinston area	129	55
Boon, Thirlstane and St Leonards area	129	57
Lindean, Broomhill and Shawmount area	122	52
Lauderhill, Woodheads and Trabrown area	121	49
Morrison, Fans and Yarlside area	121	47
Kippilaw and Bewlie	119	55
Cortleferry, Burnhouse and Cathpair area	116	46
Blainslie	114	50
Bowhill, Oakwood and Hartwoodmyers area	114	50
Buckholm and Langshaw area	114	57
Yarrow Feus, Sundhope and Mountbenger	112	49
Mellerstain and Hardiesmill	110	49
Philiphagh and The Haining	110	49
Essenside, Synton and Whitslaid area	107	48
Broadmeadows and Foulshiels	104	48
Sunderland Hall, Sunderland and Lindean Hall	103	43

Settlements between 100 and 149 population by Locality: Teviot and Liddesdale

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Cleuch Head, Wauchope and Harwood area	139	60
Saughtree, Larriston and Whithaugh area	122	55
Kirkton, Denholmhill and Spital On Rule area	107	48
Roberton and Borthwickshiels	105	48
Haughead, Kinninghall and Mansefield	104	45

Settlements between 100 and 149 population by Locality: Tweeddale

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Kirkton Manor, Cademuir and Glenrath area	149	71
Broomlee, Spitalhaugh and Paulswell area	146	61
Blyth Bridge	145	57
Kirkurd, Netherurd and Ladyurd area	145	55
Peel, Ashiestiel and The Yair	138	65
Bowland, Torwoodlee and Laidlawstiel area	135	54
Macbiehill, Whitmuir and Kingside area	127	55
Dawyck, Bellspool and Stanhope area	125	58
Waterheads and Barony Castle	123	49
Hartree and Skirling Mill	121	50
Traquair and Kirkhouse	120	48
Glen, Cardrona Castle and Howford area	118	50
Damside, Halmyre and Kaimes area	117	50
Tweedsmuir, Hearthstane and Glenbreck area	114	50
Stobo, Lyne and Lyne Station area	113	51
Skirling	109	46
Romannobridge	103	32
Drumelzier and Dreva	101	45
Glenormiston, Whitehope and Williamslee area	100	36

Settlements under 100 population by Locality: Berwickshire

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Humehall, Howlaws and Todrig area	99	43
Polwarth, Marchmont House and Cothill area	98	41
Whitsome	98	42
Foulden Newton, Foulden New Mains and West Foulden	96	41
Cranshaws and Ellemford	95	39
Greenlawdean, Rumbleton and Harelaw area	95	38
Auchencrow, Auchencrow Mains and Blackhouse area	92	42
Hoprig, Fulfordlees and Tower Farm area	88	44
Huntlywood, Greenknowe and Fawside area	85	30
Drone Hill, Buskin and Lumsdaine area	78	29
Simprim, Butterlaw and Little Swinton area	71	34
Bushelhill, Blackburn and Penmanshiel area	64	27
Cove and Rams Heugh	64	32
Chirsidebridge Mill, Ninewells and Allanbank Mill Farm area	62	27
Broomdykes, Blackadder Mount and Blackadder Bank area	58	26
Burnhouses, Knock and Millburn Bridge area	51	24

Settlements under 100 population by Locality: Cheviot

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Sprouston and Kersquarter	99	43
Cessford, Marlefield and Bowmont Forest Mill area	98	47
Clintmains, Mertoun and Maidenhall area	96	49
Sunlaws Village	94	39
Redden, Hadden and Kerchesters area	91	46
Dryburgh, Lessudden and Clinthill area	77	29
Lethem, Hass and Edgerston area	77	33
Hundalee	76	35
Hownam and Chatto	74	31
Longnewton, Forest Lodge and Lilliardsedge area	74	31
Roxburgh Newton, Roxburgh Mains and Pirnie area	72	33
Fairnington, Harestanes and Monteviot area	70	34
Hindhope, Tow Ford and Swinside area	62	30
Bedrule and Wells	55	24

Settlements under 100 population by Locality: Eildon

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Ferniehirst, Halkburn and Wooplaw area	99	43
Eildon Village	97	43
Gilmanscleuch, Newburgh and Crosslee area	96	39
Housebyres, Allerly and Kittyfield area	92	42
Redpath	87	39
Luggate, Bankhouse and Wetherston area	86	33
Gilston, Crookston and Hangingshaw area	85	34
Old Melrose, Monksford and Oakendean area	85	36
Ettrick, Hopehouse and Glenkerry area	83	37
Threepwood and Kedslie	75	30
Boleside, Netherbarns and Hollybush area	74	36
Old Belses, Satchells and Syntonmill area	72	30
Cappercleuch, Meggethead and Dryhope area	65	35

Settlements under 100 population by Locality: Teviot and Liddesdale

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Hornshole and Ashybank	98	39
Fodderlee, Hallrule and Weens area	96	37
Newlands and Hermitage	96	42
Muirfield, Appletreehall and Bucklands area	95	42
Craik and Deanburnhaugh	94	28
Acreknowe, Newmill and Stobs area	92	39
Minto and Standhill	92	44
Teindside and Skelfhill	84	38
Bridgend, Haysike and St Leonards area	81	30
Newmill, Branxholme and Southfield area	81	38
Mangerton and Whisgills	71	36
Ormiston, Sunnyside and Orchard area	69	29
Teviothead	62	23
Midgard and Kirkton Schoolhouse	60	31
Crumhaugh	59	24

Settlements under 100 population by Locality: Tweeddale

Settlement	2011 Census Population	2011 Number of Households
Kailzie, Kirkburn and Bonnington area	96	44
Bordlands, Flemington and Hamiltonhall area	94	36
Cringletie, Winkston and Redscarhead area	90	40
Mountain Cross, Blyth Bank and Scotstoun area	88	32
Skirling Mill	85	36
Stobo Castle, Dawyck Mill and Brownsland area	82	41
Whiteslade and Kilbucho	79	29
Caddonfoot, Fairnilee and Cascade area	77	36
Medwyn and Mendick	75	29
Stirkfield, Kaimrig End and Broughtonknowe area	73	29
Glentress and Horsbrugh	67	31
West Bold and Glenmead	66	27