

Subject: Request for information regarding demographic statistics of English, Welsh, and Northern Irish people in Scotland.

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Information requested:

You asked us: “How many English people live in Scotland? How many Welsh people live in Scotland? How many Northern Irish people live in Scotland?”

NRS Response:

The latest data we have comes from the 2011 Census and refers to country of birth.

According to Scotland’s Census 2011, there were 459,486 people born in England, 17,381 born in Wales and 36,655 born in Northern Ireland living in Scotland. This can be found in Table KS204SC on the [census website](#).

The information you have requested is available via our census website and we have provided you with a link. Under section 25(1) of FOISA, we do not have to provide you with information if it is already reasonably accessible to you.

Please note that the census only takes place every 10 years. The 2021 Scottish census was moved to 2022 due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. It may be possible to get more recent estimates by country of birth and/or nationality from the Annual Population Survey (APS) which is conducted by the Office for National Statistics (ONS). Requests for bespoke analysis from APS microdata can be sent to pop.info@ons.gov.uk.