

About this publication	Description
Publication title	Centenarians in Scotland, 2005 to 2015 including mid-year population estimates for those aged 90 and over.
Description	Population estimates of the number of people in Scotland aged 90-104 by sex and single year of age and 105 and over by sex.
Theme	Population and Migration
Topic	Special Populations
Format	Excel workbooks, PDF, HTML
Data source(s)	Mid-year population estimates. Deaths from civil registration system. Pension Age Client Group from Department for Work and Pensions are used for quality assurance.
Date that data is acquired	Ongoing throughout the year.
Publication Release date	29 September 2016
Frequency	Annual
Timeframe of data and timeliness	The estimates refer to the population as at 30 June each year. The estimates tend to be released 15 months after this date as other publications take priority.
Continuity of data	Data are available for the years 1981 to 2015.
Revisions statement	<p>This publication uses the corrected mid-year year population estimates for 2012, 2013 and 2014 to produce the population estimates of people aged 90 and over for these years.</p> <p>In October 2015 we became aware of errors mainly affecting the age distribution of the mid-year population estimates for 2002 to 2014.</p> <p>The errors had no effect on the total population of Scotland and the 2011 mid-year population estimates based on the 2011 Census are not affected. The errors in the 2002 to 2010 population estimates are partly resolved by the retrospective revisions made to these estimated as a result of the 2011 Census. The errors mainly affected the 17-25 age group. More information on the revisions made to the population estimates as a result of the 2011 Census can be found in the corrected tables for mid-2012, mid-2013 and mid-2014 section on the NRS website.</p> <p>As a consequence of the method used to calculate estimates for 90 and over, with each new year's data the estimates for previous years are revised. More information on the methodology is available in the Centenarians section of the NRS website.</p>

	Revisions and corrections to previously published statistics are dealt with in accordance with the Scottish Government Statistician Group corporate policy statement on revisions and corrections - a copy of which is available on the Scottish Government website.
Concepts and definitions	A centenarian is a person aged 100 and over. The Population Estimates, on which these statistics are based, can be found within the Mid-Year Population Estimates section of the National Records of Scotland (NRS) website.
Relevance and key uses of the statistics	Scotland's population is ageing therefore estimates of the very old are important for policy development at a national level.
Accuracy	These estimates are broadly similar to comparable data from the Department for Work and Pensions and to the results from the 2011 Census.
Completeness:	The estimated very old population is on the same basis as the mid-year estimates i.e. if relevant at these ages the population includes all those usually resident there, whatever their nationality. Students are treated as being resident at their term-time address. Members of UK and non-UK armed forces stationed in Scotland are included; UK forces stationed outside Scotland are excluded. Short-term international migrants are excluded.
Comparability	Each publication includes a revised back-series for comparison as this is part of the method used. The estimates are consistent with the mid-year estimates for the 90+ age-group.
Accessibility	It is the policy of the National Records of Scotland to make its website and products accessible according to published guidelines. More information is available in the Accessibility section of the NRS website.
Coherence and clarity	The statistics are provided in Excel, PDF and CSV format. They are designed to be consistent and incorporate comparable historical data where appropriate. The methodology is the same as that used by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) and internationally to calculate estimates of the really old. More information on the methodology is available in the Centenarians section of the NRS website.
Value type and unit of measure	Counts of persons, males and females by single-year of age.
Official Statistics designation	These statistics are designated as National Statistics by the UK Statistics Authority. The Letter of Confirmation as National Statistics can be found on the UK Statistics Authority website.
UK Statistics Authority Assessment	These statistics were assessed in July 2015 by the UK Statistics Authority. The report can be found within the UK Statistics Authority – Assessments section of the NRS website.

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