

People born in the European Economic Area (EEA) living in NA H-EILEANAN SIAR

Demographic and Census Analysis

This analysis focuses on residents based on their country of birth as the 2011 Census did not include a question on nationality. It should be noted that people born abroad may later acquire British nationality.

EEA countries include EU member countries at March 2011 (excluding the UK in this data) and Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein. Within the EEA area there is free movement of people, goods, services and capital in the European Single Market.

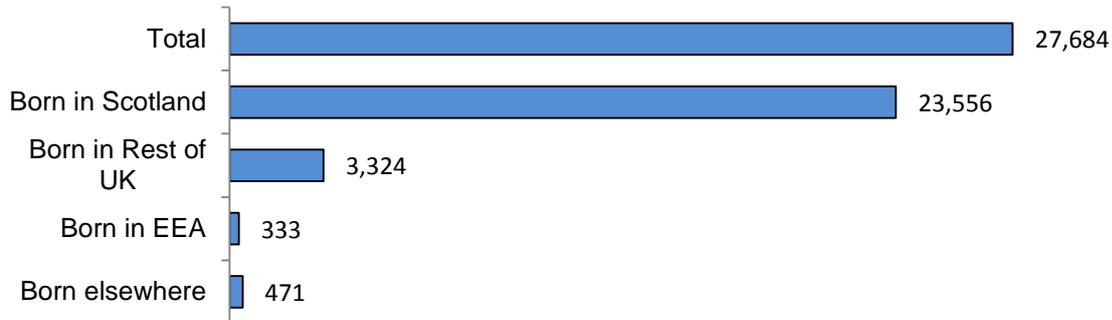
Key points

- In the 2011 Census, 1.2% (330) of Na h-Eileanan Siar's population was born in a country in the EEA.
- Net migration from overseas to Na h-Eileanan Siar has been very low or negative throughout the last 12 years. Most recently, there was an estimated net gain of 20 people from overseas in 2015/16.
- In 2011, a higher proportion of the EEA-born population in Na h-Eileanan Siar was of working age (16-64 years) (78%; 260 people), compared to 62% of its overall population.
- Na h-Eileanan Siar is projected to have an ageing population over the next 25 years, with a projected increase of 32% for those aged 65 or over. In contrast, the working age population (aged 16-64 years) is projected to fall by 27% between 2014 and 2039.
- In 2011, a higher proportion of EEA-born residents in Na h-Eileanan Siar aged 16 and over were in employment (70%; 210 people) compared with the total population aged 16 and over of the council area (58%).
- The proportion of EEA-born residents of Na h-Eileanan Siar aged 16-74 with a degree level qualification in 2011 was 48% (140 people). The proportion of all people aged 16-74 in the council area with a degree level qualification was lower at 27%.

Number of EEA-born residents

According to the 2011 Census, 1.2% (330 people) of Na h-Eileanan Siar's population was born in the EEA. The corresponding proportion for the whole of Scotland was 3.0%.

Figure 1: Number of residents by country of birth, Na h-Eileanan Siar, 2011

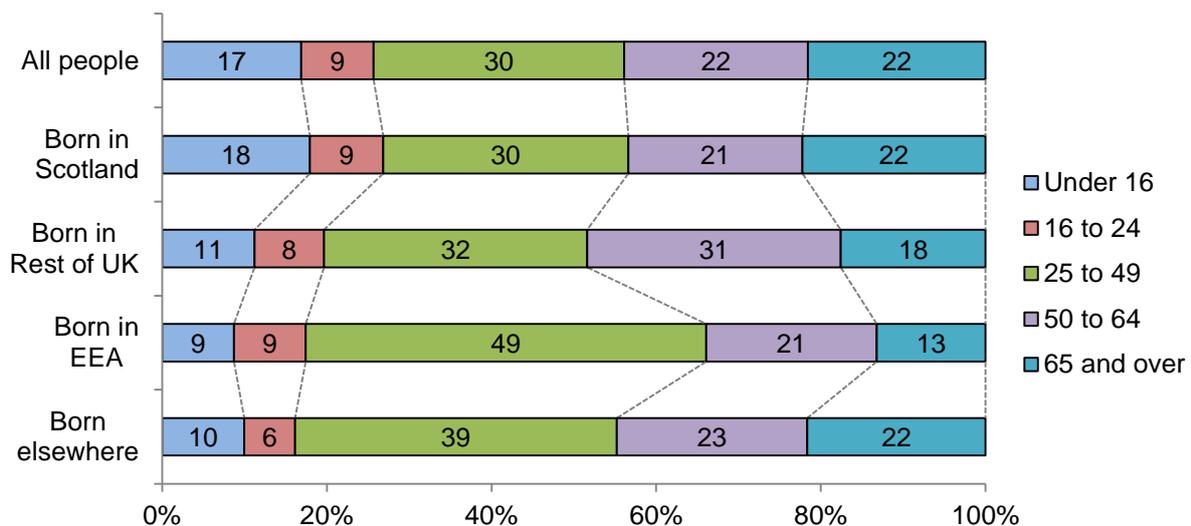


Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

Age profile of EEA-born residents

In 2011, 78% of EEA-born residents (260 people) were aged 16-64, compared with 62% of the whole Na h-Eileanan Siar population. 13% of EEA-born residents (40 people) were aged 65 years or over, compared with 22% of the whole population.

Figure 2: Percentage of the population in each age group by country of birth, Na h-Eileanan Siar, 2011



Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

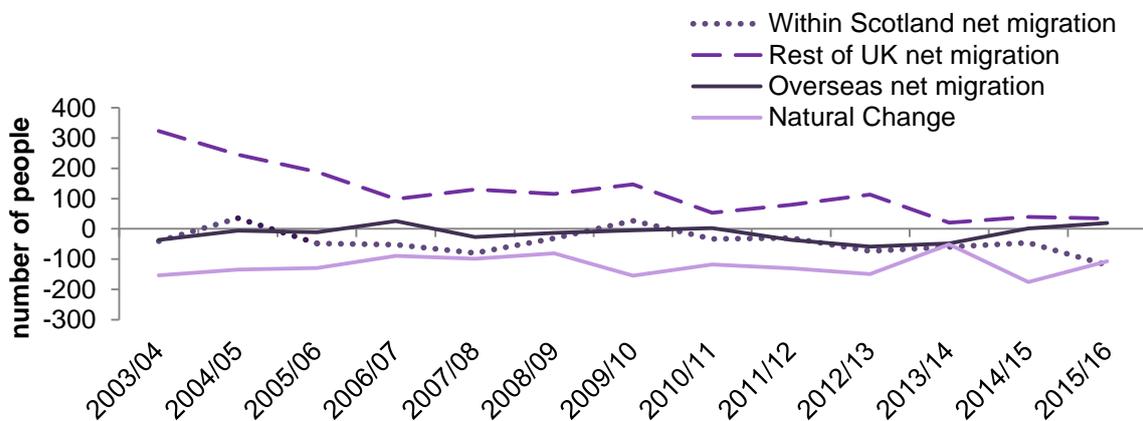
Migration trends

The migration estimates at local level do not allow the overseas component of migration to be broken down into individual countries or groups of countries. The charts start from 2003/04 as the Treaty of Accession came into force in 2003 followed by an enlargement of the EU in 2004.

Over the past 12 years, Na h-Eileanan Siar has experienced a declining trend in net migration from the rest of the UK although it still remains positive. In 2015/16 there was a net gain of 30 people from the rest of the UK, compared with 300 in 2003/04.

Net migration from overseas has been low throughout the last 12 years, varying from a net gain of 30 people in 2006/07 to a net loss of 60 people in 2012/13. Most recently, there was an estimated net gain of 20 people from overseas in 2015/16.

Figure 3: Components of population change, Na h-Eileanan Siar, 2003/04 - 2015/16



Source: Mid-Year Population Estimates, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

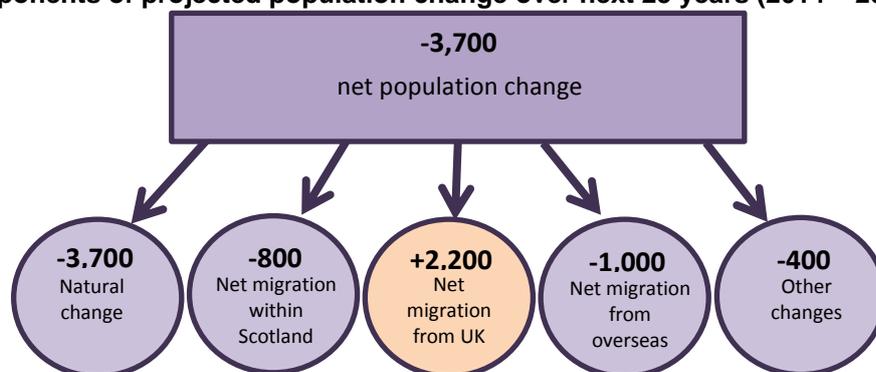
Population projections

These are trend-based using mid-year estimates and do not take into account shifts in government policy and other social and economic factors that influence population change, including the UK's decision to leave the EU.

	Na h-Eileanan Siar	Scotland
Projected population change over the next 25 years	-13.7%	+6.6%

Source: Population Projections for Scottish Areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

Figure 4: Components of projected population change over next 25 years (2014 – 2039)



Source: Population Projections for Scottish areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

The projected decrease in Na h-Eileanan Siar’s population over the next 25 years is attributable largely to negative natural change (more projected deaths than births), followed by projected reductions in net migration from overseas and from within Scotland.

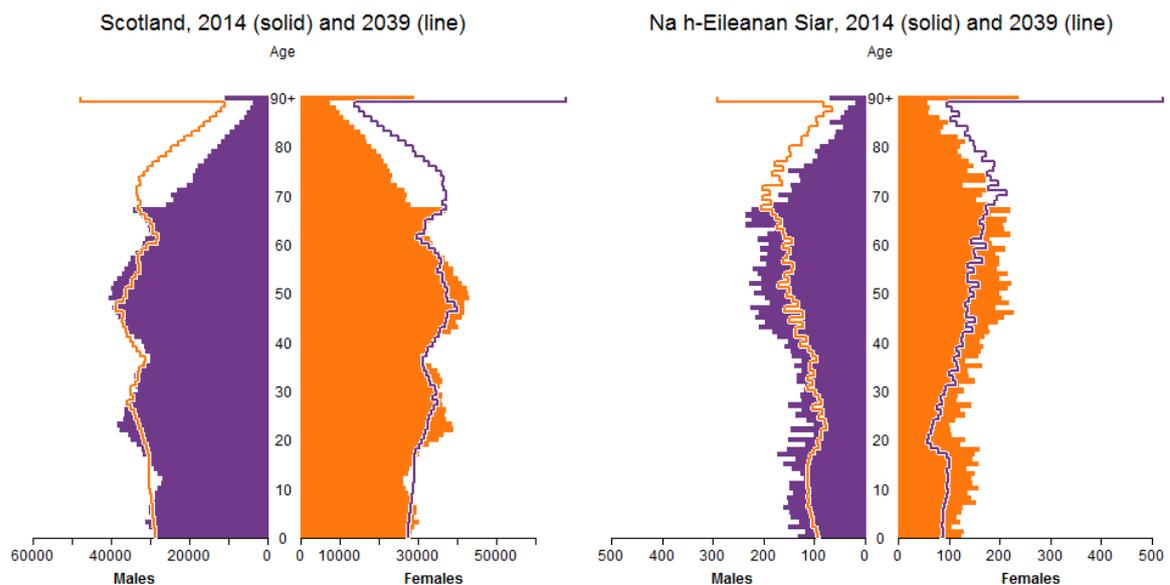
Changing age structure

The demographic resilience of local areas is affected by the changing age structure of the population and levels of migration. Working age migrants can play an important role in addressing the ageing population.

Na h-Eileanan Siar is projected to experience a 32% increase in the population aged 65 or over between 2014 and 2039, with an increase of 1,100 (+38%) for males and 1,000 (28%) for females.

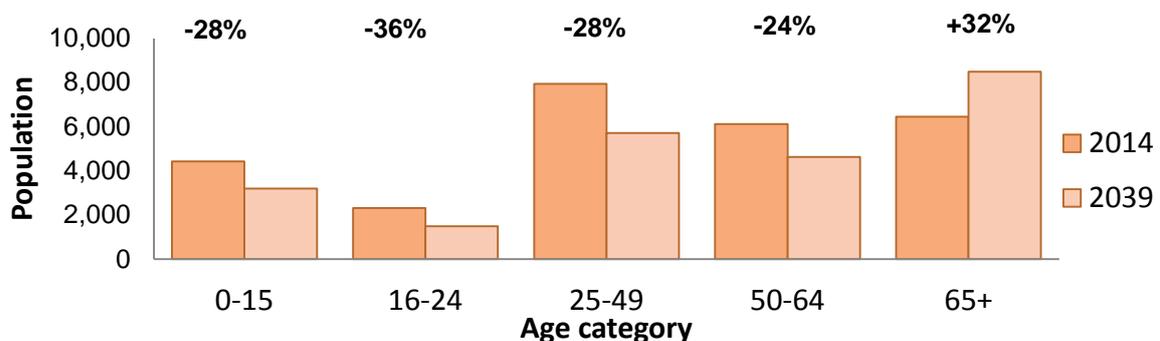
In contrast, the working age population (aged 16-64) is projected to decline by 27% over the next 25 years to 2039, with the biggest decline expected in those aged 16 to 24 years (down 36%).

Figure 5: Estimated population by age and sex, 2014 and 2039



Source: Population Projections for Scottish Areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

Figure 6: Population projections by age from 2014 - 2039



Source: Population Projections for Scottish Areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

Nationalities of National Insurance Number (NINo) allocations to overseas nationals in 2015

A NINo is generally required by any overseas national looking to work or claim benefits / tax credits in the UK, including the self-employed or students working part time.

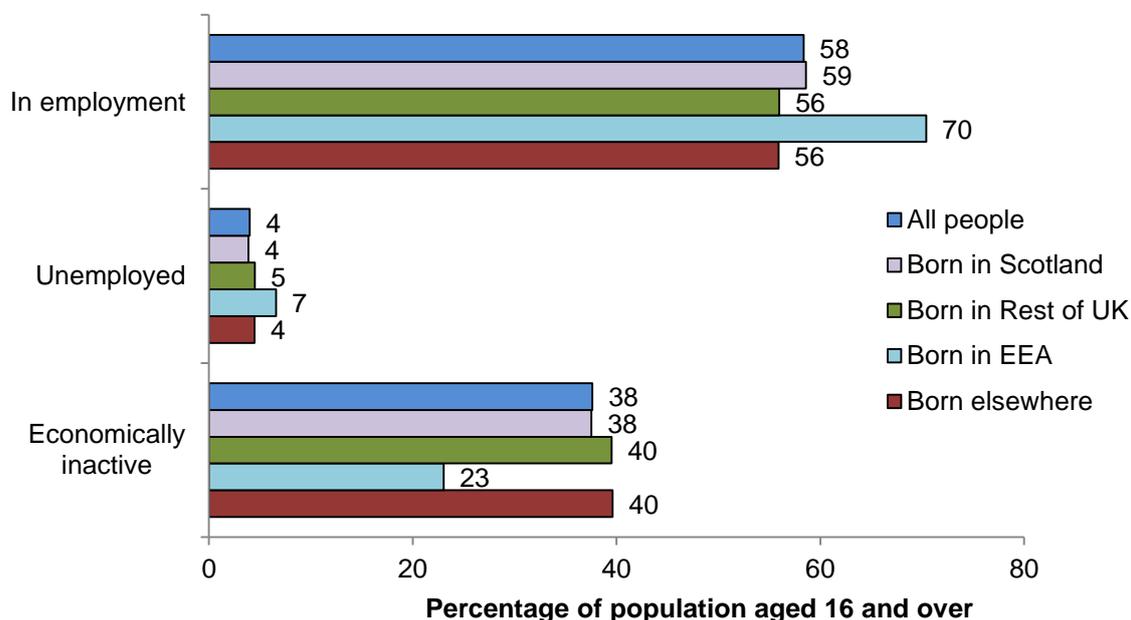
	Number of nationalities	Top five nationalities (NINo allocations)
Na h-Eileanan Siar	6	Romania, Spain, Lithuania, Poland, Germany
Scotland	129	Poland, Romania, Spain, Italy, Bulgaria

Source: Local area migration tables, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

Economic activity

According to the 2011 Census, a higher proportion of Na h-Eileanan Siar's EEA-born residents aged 16 and over were in employment (70%; 210 people) compared with the total population aged 16 and over of the council area (58%). A smaller proportion of EEA-born residents were economically inactive¹ (23%; 70 people) compared with the total population (38%).

Figure 7: Percentage of people aged 16 and over in each category of economic activity by country of birth, 2011



Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

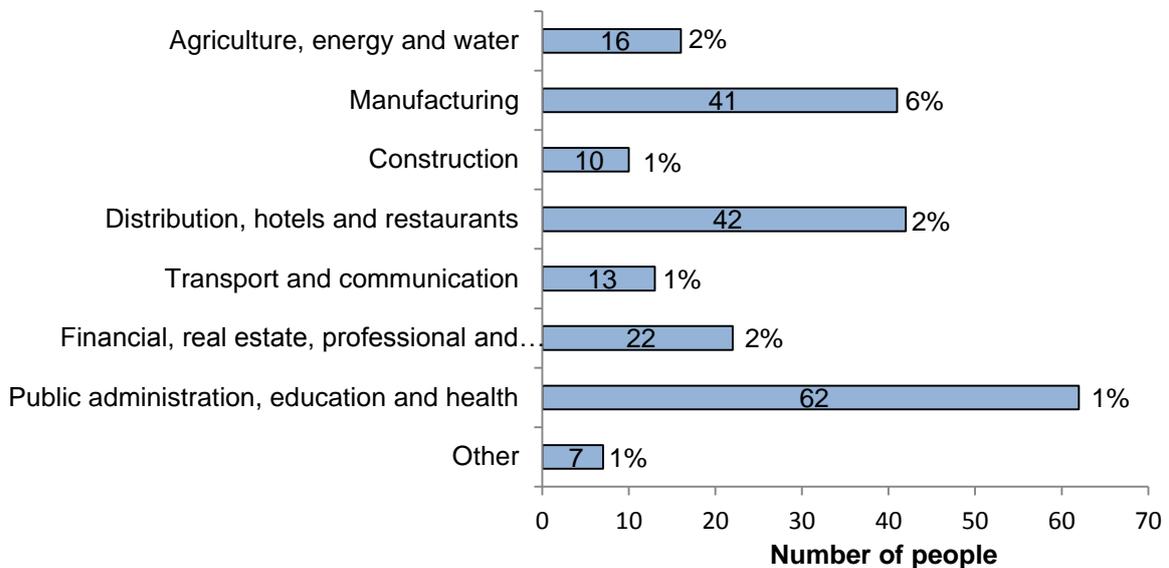
¹ Economic inactive people include: students not seeking employment, people who are retired, and other people not seeking employment (such as those who are long-term sick or disabled or who are looking after a home or family).

Industry of employment

A total of 210 EEA-born people aged 16-74 in Na h-Eileanan Siar were in employment at the time of the 2011 Census. The largest numbers by industrial sector were: Public administration, education and health (60 people), Distribution, hotels and restaurants (40) and Manufacturing (40).

In 2011, EEA-born people made up 2% of all residents of Na h-Eileanan Siar's aged 16-74 in employment. The industrial sector in which this proportion was highest was manufacturing (6%).

Figure 8: Number of people aged 16-74 born in the EEA who work in each industrial sector and percentage of that sector's workforce, Na h-Eileanan Siar, 2011

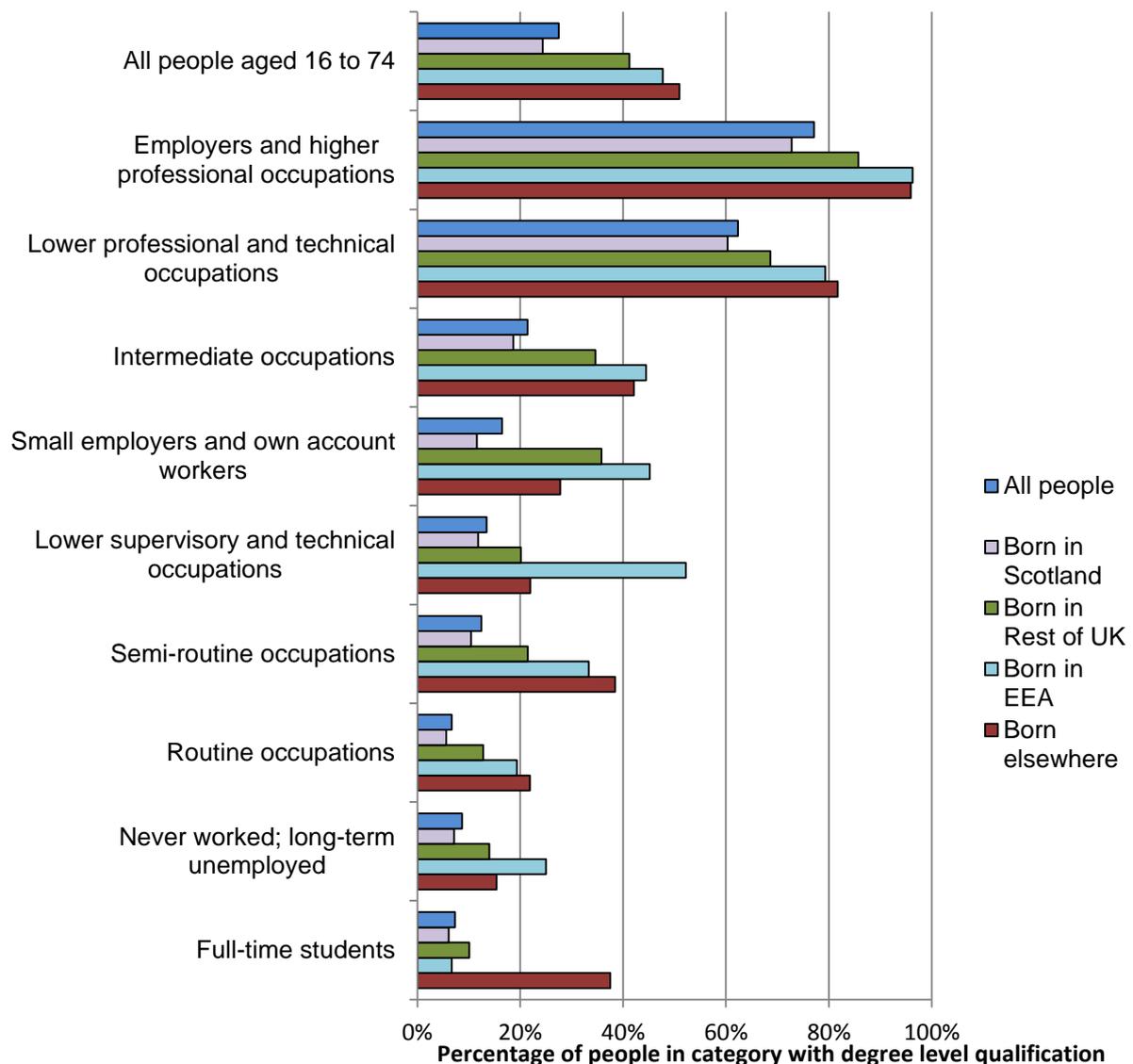


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National Statistics Socio-economic classification (NS-SeC) and education

In 2011, the proportion of Na h-Eileanan Siar's EEA-born residents aged 16-74 with a degree level qualification (48%; 140 people) was higher than for people aged 16-74 in the council area born in Scotland (24%) or in the rest of UK (41%). This qualification gap tended to be greater at lower level occupation categories.

Figure 9: Percentage of people aged 16-74 with a degree level qualification² in each NS-SeC³ category by country of birth, Na h-Eileanan Siar, 2011



Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

² In the 2011 Census, this is defined as Level 4 and above and includes: Degree, Postgraduate qualifications, Masters, PhD, SVQ level 5 or equivalent; Professional qualifications (for example, teaching, nursing, accountancy); Other Higher Education qualifications not already mentioned (including foreign qualifications).

³ The National Statistics Socio-economic Classification (NS-SeC) provides an indication of socio-economic position based on occupation. It is an Office for National Statistics standard classification.