

About this publication	Description
Publication title	Life Expectancy in Scottish Council areas split by deprivation, 2006-2010
Description	Annual publication of life expectancy at birth estimates for the 15 per cent most deprived part of each Scottish Council and the 85 per cent least deprived part.
Theme	Population and Migration
Topic	Life Expectancy
Format	Excel workbooks and PDF files
Data source(s)	Deaths from the civil registration system. The Registrar General's small area population estimates. The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) 2009
Date that data is acquired	September
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Frequency	Annual
Timeframe of data and timeliness	The estimates are based on the mortality probabilities indicated by the death records for the 5 years prior to the year of publication. For example, the 2006-2010 estimates were published in October 2011.
Continuity of data	Estimates are available for the periods 2003-2007 and 2004-2008 based on the 2006 SIMD and for the period 2005-2009 based on the 2009 SIMD.
Revisions statement	Estimates are not subject to scheduled revision after the 2011 Census. <a href="#">Revisions and corrections</a> 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 from the Scottish Government website.
Concepts and definitions	Further information relating to this publication can be found within the <a href="#">background and notes</a> page on the NRS website.
Relevance and key uses of the statistics	For monitoring the inequality gap between those living in the most and least deprived parts of each of the Council areas with the aim of improving the measurement of local level outcomes in support of Single Outcome Agreements.
Accuracy	<a href="#">Life expectancy at birth</a> is an estimate which is subject to a margin of error. The accuracy of the results can be indicated by calculating a confidence interval within which the true underlying life expectancy would be expected to lie. Further information can be found in the background and notes page on the NRS website.
Completeness:	Estimates are only given for life expectancy at birth, life expectancy at other ages is not available.
Comparability	Time-series comparisons are suitable, however due to the nature of the statistics it is not appropriate to compare them from one year to the next. Comparison across Councils is problematic and should be avoided, as some Council areas are likely to contain a disproportionately higher number of Scotland's most

	deprived areas. Comparison within a Council can also be problematic, as using a relative measure of deprivation may not be appropriate for Council areas which have few areas which would be described as 'most deprived' within Scotland.
Accessibility	It is the policy of National Records of Scotland (NRS) to make its <a href="#">website and products accessible</a> according to published guidelines. More information is available on the NRS website.
Coherence and clarity	The statistics are provided in Excel and PDF formats. They are designed to be consistent, and incorporate comparable historical data where appropriate. Notations used within the tables and charts are given in footnotes.
Value type and unit of measure	Estimated (speculative) lifespan in years.
Official Statistics designation	These statistics were assessed by the UK Statistics Authority and are designated as National Statistics subject to meeting the requirements set out in the assessment report.
UK Statistics Authority Assessment	These statistics were assessed in May 2011 using the UK Statistics Authority <a href="#">Assessment of Compliance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics</a> .
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