

About this publication	Description
Publication title	Life Expectancy in Scottish Council Areas split by Deprivation, 2004 - 2008
Description	Annual publication of life expectancy at birth estimates for the 15% most deprived part of each Scottish Council and the 85% 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 General Registrar's small area population estimates. Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) 2006
Date that data is acquired	August/September
Publication Release date	25 March 2010 (Previously released in March of each year but as of mid-2010 it will be released in November/December).
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 2005-2009 based estimates will be published in 2010
Continuity of data	Estimates are available for the period 2003-2007 and 2004-2008 and are based on the 2006 SIMD
Revisions statement	Estimates are not subject to scheduled revision after the 2011 Census. 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 via the following link: http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/About/NatStats
Concepts and definitions	Further information relating to this publication can be found within the background and notes page via the following link: http://www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/files2/stats/life-expectancy-special-areas/le-council-area-deprivation-06-08.pdf
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, in the aim to improve the measurement of local level outcomes in support of Single Outcome Agreements.

Accuracy	Life expectancy at birth, like most statistics, is an estimate which is subject to a margin of error. The accuracy of the results can be indicated by calculating a confidence interval which provides a range of values within which the true underlying life expectancy would lie (with 95% probability. See background and notes page in: http://www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/files2/stats/life-expectancy-special-areas/le-council-area-deprivation-06-08.pdf
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. Comparison within a council can be problematic.
Accessibility	It is the policy of General Register Office For Scotland (GROS) to make its website and products accessible according to published guidelines. More information is available at: http://www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/accessibility.html
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	Official Statistics
UK Statistics Authority Assessment	Awaiting assessment by UK Statistics Authority.
Help email	customer@gro-scotland.gsi.gov.uk there is also a contact form on: http://www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/enquiries.html
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