

POPULATION & MIGRATION STATISTICS COMMITTEE (SCOTLAND)

Dissemination and 2001 Census analysis update

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1. Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to inform members of the Population and Migration Statistics (PAMS) committee about recent developments in dissemination and 2001 Census analysis at the General Register Office for Scotland (GROS).

It gives an update on progress since the last meeting of the committee (14 May 2009) as well as an outline of future plans.

2. Progress since last meeting

2.1 The following regular [publications](#) have been published since the last meeting:

- 2.1.1 Population by Country of Birth and Nationality – quarterly update (20 May 2009)
- 2.1.2 Births, Marriages and Deaths 1st Quarter 2009 (11 June 2009)
- 2.1.3 Centenarians (30 June 2009)
- 2.1.4 Annual Report (7 August 2009)
- 2.1.5 Vital Events Reference Tables (7 August 2009)
- 2.1.6 MRSA update (7 August 2009)
- 2.1.7 Alcohol Related Deaths update (7 August 2009)
- 2.1.8 C.Diff update (7 August 2009)
- 2.1.9 Suicides (7 August 2009)
- 2.1.10 Drug Related Deaths in Scotland (12 August 2009)
- 2.1.11 Population by Country of Birth and Nationality- Quarterly update (27 August 2009)
- 2.1.12 Small Area Population Estimates (3 September 2009)
- 2.1.13 Births, Marriages and Deaths 2nd Quarter 2009 (10 September 2009)
- 2.1.14 Life Expectancy for Administrative Areas with Scotland 2006-2008 (24 September 2009)
- 2.1.15 Mid-year Marital Status Population Estimates Scotland (6 October 2009)
- 2.1.16 Increased Winter Mortality (13 October 2009)
- 2.1.17 Projected Population of Scotland (2008-based) (21 October 2009)
- 2.1.18 Variant Projected Population of Scotland (Link to ONS) (18 November 2009)
- 2.1.19 Population by Country of Birth and Nationality, Quarterly Estimates (26 November 2009)

2.2 The following other additions have been added to the GROS website:

- 2.2.1 We have updated the tables within the 4 main [Migration](#) sections to incorporate latest data. (20th May)
- 2.2.2 The presentations and details from the "[Finding the Statistics You Need](#)" event were published on the 22nd May.
- 2.2.3 The [Featured Trend](#) in the High Level Summary section was updated on the 8th June.
- 2.2.4 We added Scottish Decennial Life tables to the [Life Expectancy at Scotland Level](#) section on the 25th June.
- 2.2.5 To facilitate analysis of migration trends at Local Authority level, nine [Local Area Migration Reports](#) were published on the 2nd July.
- 2.2.6 A one-off publication "[Population and Household Projections for Scotland's Strategic Development Planning Areas \(2006-based\)](#)" was released on the 14th July.
- 2.2.7 The [NHSCR](#) section of the website has been tidied and updated.
- 2.2.8 New versions of all [Time Series Datasets](#) on the website were published to include the latest data (7th August).
- 2.2.9 The [Points to Note on the Divorce Statistics](#) section was improved and expanded (7th August).
- 2.2.10 The [Scottish Interim Life Tables](#) were also updated on the 7th August.
- 2.2.11 Three new Life Expectancy pages have been added in response to customer requests - [Life Expectancy in Scottish Council Areas split by Deprivation, 2003-2007](#) (7th August), [Life Expectancy in Scottish Parliamentary Constituency Areas, 2005-2007](#) (2nd October) and [Life Expectancy in Intermediate Zones, 2003-2007](#) (28th October).
- 2.2.12 Since the 14th August, GROS have been publishing provisional [weekly totals for death registrations, and the numbers of these for which the cause of death was a respiratory disease](#). We plan to continue publishing these figures for as long as there is concern about H1N1/swine flu. The figures are normally updated every Friday.
- 2.2.13 At the end of August, we published the Agenda and Papers from the 2 previous [PAMS Meetings](#) 24th November 2008 and 20th May 2009. We also published information about two upcoming statistics events – "[Enabling Independent Healthy Ageing](#)" and "[Using and Improving Population and Household Statistics](#)".
- 2.2.14 On September 4th we published the agenda, papers and minutes of the last four meetings of the [NHSCR Governance Board](#).
- 2.2.15 A new [Demography Research](#) page was published on the 14th September to replace the existing Demography Research Programme page.
- 2.2.16 The [Demography Division Statistics Plan 2009-10](#) was published on the 24th September.
- 2.2.17 Due to the high number of additions to the Vital Events data on the website a new page, [Details of August 2009 Improvements to Vital Events Statistics](#), was published at the end of September to advise users of the recent improvements.
- 2.2.18 On October 2nd, the [High Level Summary of Statistics](#) was updated to include the latest data, and the "Scotland's Population" and "Migration" sections were restructured, incorporating "Regional Variations" which had previously been listed as a separate section.
- 2.2.19 A new page was added to the 2011 Census section to provide details of the [Scottish Census Steering Committee](#).
- 2.2.20 On October 27th, a new version of the [Statistics](#) Index Page was published, with an improved layout.
- 2.2.21 We have also uploaded data to the [Scottish Neighborhood Statistics](#) website in response to requests from users.

2.3 Two page fact sheets giving a general overview on a variety of topics are now being produced in-house. This production method has greater flexibility, giving the ability to update them as new data becomes available or modify them for specific purposes. These were distributed recently at two conferences and met with general approval. Topics currently covered are:

- Projected Population of Scotland (2008 based)
- Estimates of Households and Dwellings in Scotland, 2008
- Households Projections in Scotland (2006 based)
- Mid-2008 Population Estimates in Scotland
- Life Expectancy in Scotland, 2006-2008
- Births and Deaths – 2008
- Marriages and Civil Partnerships – 2008
- Migration

3. Future work

3.1 A programme of continuous improvement of the GROS website.

3.2 The GROS web co-ordinator is at the moment looking at plans to set up a focus group to look at the GROS website and provide advice on how it can be improved.

3.3 GROS gained accreditation (plain English crystal mark) from the Plain English Campaign for the introduction and key points of the Registrar General’s Annual Report.

3.4

The work to publish the remaining Census tables at Westminster Parliamentary Constituency level and multi-member ward level on SCROL has had to be abandoned. Technical and resource problems in the IT department responsible for uploading the data onto the SCROL website have led them to advise that they are unable to proceed any further with this. The 2011 Census is now their main priority.

This data is available to customers on request should they require it.

3.5 The integrated project team continues to work on outputs for the 2011 Census. Providing feedback from the 2001 Census, in particular what information customers required, is an important aspect of this work.

3.6 Planned [GROS web publications](#) (next 12 months):

Births, Marriages and Deaths 3rd Quarter 2009	10-Dec-09
Babies First Names	22-Dec-09
2008 Based population Projections for Scottish Areas	28-Jan-09
Electoral Statistics	25-Feb-10
Population by Country of Birth and Nationality Quarterly Estimates	Feb-10
Births, Marriages and Deaths: 4th Quarter 2009	11-Mar-10

Births, Marriages and Deaths: 2009 (Preliminary)	11-Mar-10
Life Expectancy in Special Areas in Scotland, 2006-2008	Mar-10
Mid - 2009 Population Estimates Scotland	Apr-10
Household Projections for Scotland - 2008 Based	May-10
Household Estimates for Scotland: 2009	May-10
Centenarians in Scotland, 2002-2009	June-10
Births, Marriages and Deaths: 1 st Quarter 2010	10 June-10
Scotland's Population 2009	July-10
Drug Related Deaths in Scotland 2009	Aug-10
Life Expectancy in Administrative Areas of Scotland, 2007-2009	Sept-10
Small area Population Estimates, Scotland 2009	Sept-10
Births, Marriages and Deaths: 2 nd Quarter 2010	9 Sept-10
Projected Population of Scotland (2008-based)	21-Oct-10
Increased Winter Mortality	Oct-10
Population by Country of Birth and Nationality, Quarterly Estimates	Nov-10
Births, Marriages and Deaths: 3rd Quarter 2010	9-Dec-10
Babies 1 st Names	Dec-10

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