

**Table 3.16: Fertility rates (per 1,000 women)¹ by age group and administrative area
Scotland, 2016**

Area	Age Group						General Fertility Rate ⁴	Approximate Total fertility Rate ⁵ (per woman)
	15-19 ²	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44 ³		
Scotland	13.5	45.4	79.7	97.4	57.4	12.7	52.6	1.53
Council areas								
Aberdeen City	11.6	32.0	57.1	93.2	55.5	14.9	47.6	1.32
Aberdeenshire	10.0	54.8	116.5	119.9	60.8	11.5	61.6	1.87
Angus	13.1	55.6	102.4	102.2	48.8	7.4	53.5	1.65
Argyll + Bute	12.4	69.6	100.5	105.2	54.7	12.2	55.9	1.77
City of Edinburgh	9.1	20.2	43.2	84.0	70.1	17.2	43.4	1.22
Clackmannanshire	17.5	80.1	98.0	97.8	43.2	12.1	56.4	1.74
Dumfries + Galloway	20.4	68.5	106.1	98.6	42.1	12.2	57.3	1.74
Dundee City	19.8	41.7	67.0	86.0	50.1	9.6	48.5	1.37
East Ayrshire	22.9	75.7	96.3	98.8	51.6	9.0	58.9	1.77
East Dunbartonshire	7.6	23.2	80.6	153.5	79.2	14.3	55.6	1.79
East Lothian	12.4	44.2	102.6	109.5	64.6	14.2	56.5	1.74
East Renfrewshire	4.6	21.7	71.2	161.7	77.5	16.7	54.3	1.77
Falkirk	16.1	63.8	93.7	94.4	46.4	8.6	53.3	1.61
Fife	18.0	55.8	99.6	96.0	52.6	10.9	55.3	1.66
Glasgow City	12.9	34.5	60.2	80.5	57.8	15.5	47.4	1.31
Highland	13.6	63.6	97.2	91.4	57.1	14.1	55.5	1.69
Inverclyde	13.7	51.2	83.6	100.9	52.0	8.5	51.3	1.55
Midlothian	19.1	63.0	117.2	115.0	67.4	16.3	66.8	1.99
Moray	16.0	65.5	115.1	89.6	51.0	12.1	57.5	1.75
Na h-Eileanan Siar	13.7	57.2	111.3	103.9	63.0	15.7	58.6	1.82
North Ayrshire	15.9	63.3	98.9	94.7	47.0	7.7	53.3	1.64
North Lanarkshire	15.9	56.4	96.5	93.0	52.8	10.3	54.2	1.62
Orkney Islands	10.1	63.7	97.5	80.8	44.3	10.3	51.1	1.53
Perth + Kinross	8.0	52.4	93.3	101.7	55.2	13.3	53.5	1.62
Renfrewshire	12.0	45.8	83.9	109.5	61.3	11.7	54.7	1.62
Scottish Borders	13.5	56.2	113.6	106.1	63.1	13.7	57.4	1.83
Shetland Islands	12.2	60.5	113.8	129.5	68.6	19.4	66.9	2.02
South Ayrshire	15.0	58.0	94.6	106.1	47.2	12.6	54.1	1.67
South Lanarkshire	13.7	51.7	99.0	119.3	53.1	11.9	58.1	1.74
Stirling	5.1	33.5	56.3	96.3	70.1	14.8	43.1	1.38
West Dunbartonshire	16.2	58.7	95.7	104.6	49.3	11.8	57.8	1.68
West Lothian	12.6	65.0	106.0	101.7	55.1	10.2	58.2	1.75
NHS Board areas								
Ayrshire & Arran	17.9	65.9	96.8	99.4	48.7	9.6	55.5	1.69
Borders	13.5	56.2	113.6	106.1	63.1	13.7	57.4	1.83
Dumfries & Galloway	20.4	68.5	106.1	98.6	42.1	12.2	57.3	1.74
Fife	18.0	55.8	99.6	96.0	52.6	10.9	55.3	1.66
Forth Valley	12.2	53.8	81.3	95.4	52.6	11.0	50.5	1.53
Grampian	11.7	43.4	83.4	103.2	57.3	12.8	54.6	1.56
Greater Glasgow & Clyde	11.8	36.9	67.8	95.6	60.6	14.1	50.4	1.43
Highland	13.3	65.1	98.0	94.5	56.5	13.6	55.6	1.71
Lanarkshire	14.9	54.2	97.7	105.3	52.9	11.0	56.0	1.68
Lothian	11.4	31.7	61.7	91.8	66.4	15.1	49.3	1.39
Orkney	10.1	63.7	97.5	80.8	44.3	10.3	51.1	1.53
Shetland	12.2	60.5	113.8	129.5	68.6	19.4	66.9	2.02
Tayside	14.0	47.5	82.0	95.3	51.5	10.3	51.4	1.50
Western Isles	13.7	57.2	111.3	103.9	63.0	15.7	58.6	1.82

Footnotes

- 1) Live births (registered in the calendar year) per 1,000 females (mid-year population estimate).
- 2) Includes any births to mothers who were aged under 15.
- 3) Includes any births to mothers who were aged 45 or over.
- 4) Total live births (including any whose mother's age was not known) per 1,000 women aged 15-44 (inclusive).
- 5) The total fertility rate is the average number of children (per woman) that would be born to a cohort of women if they experienced, throughout their childbearing years, the age-specific fertility rates of the calendar year in question. The TFRs give here are approximate, being calculated by adding up the fertility rates for the 5-year-age-groups, multiplying by five (to get a result which is roughly the same as that of adding together all the fertility rates for each individual year of age) and dividing by 1,000 to get a 'per woman' figure. TFRs calculated in this way may differ slightly from TFRs calculated using data for individual years of age - so the TFR that is given here for Scotland may differ from the TFRs shown in other tables.