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Executive summary

The first outputs from Census 2021 were published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) on 28 June 2022. These first results included five datasets containing population and household estimates for England and Wales as at Census day (21 March 2021) and by local authority. All data published by the ONS and in this report is rounded to 100.

Cambridgeshire

- Usual resident population has grown by 9.2% to 678,600, an increase of 57,400 from Census 2011 (population 621,200)
- Total number of households has increased by 10.5% to 277,600, an increase of 26,400 from Census 2011 (251,200 households)

Peterborough

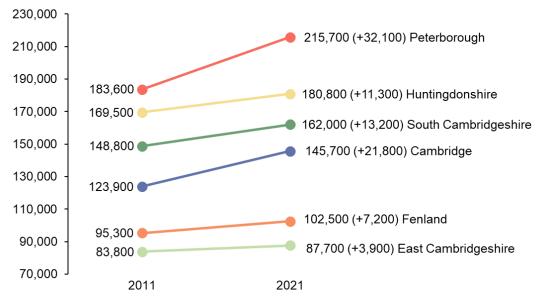
- Usual resident population has grown by 17.5% to 215,700, an increase of 32,100 from Census 2011 (population 183,600)
- Total number of households has increased by 14.2% to 84,500, an increase of 10,500 from Census 2011 (74,000 households)

Table 1: Census 2001 to Census 2021: usual resident population, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Area	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001-2011, %	Change 2011- 2021, %	Change 2001- 2021, %
Cambridge	108,900	123,900	145,700	13.8	17.6	33.8
East Cambridgeshire	73,200	83,800	87,700	14.5	4.7	19.8
Fenland	83,500	95,300	102,500	14.1	7.6	22.8
Huntingdonshire	157,000	169,500	180,800	8.0	6.7	15.2
South Cambridgeshire	130,100	148,800	162,000	14.3	8.9	24.5
Cambridgeshire	552,700	621,200	678,600	12.4	9.2	22.8
Peterborough	156,100	183,600	215,700	17.7	17.5	38.2
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	708,700	804,800	894,300	13.6	11.1	26.2
East of England	5,388,100	5,847,000	6,334,500	8.5	8.3	17.6
England	49,138,800	53,012,500	56,489,800	7.9	6.6	15.0

Figure 1: Usual resident population for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough by district, Census 2011 and Census 2021

Usual resident population, Census 2011 to 2021



Key trends

- 1. The population has increased more in the urban centres:
 - There has been very significant population growth in the two urban local authorities, Cambridge and Peterborough (17% between Census 2011 and Census 2021, compared to England 6.6%, and East of England 8.3%)
 - This level of population growth is not only amongst the highest for local authorities in the East of England, but also for England overall
 - Growth in more rural districts ranges between 4.7% and 8.9%
- 2. In the rural districts (East Cambridgeshire, Fenland, Huntingdonshire and South Cambridgeshire), the population aged 65 years and over has grown by more than the working age and younger populations:
 - 65 years and over age group has increased by between 21.2% and 33.7%
 - 0-19 years age group has changed by between -2.5% and +6.4%
 - 20-64 years age group has changed by between 0.2% and 4.9%
 - In contrast, population growth since Census 2011 in Cambridge and Peterborough is more evenly spread across all age groups
- 3. For all local authorities except Cambridge, overall population growth has been slower between Census 2011 and Census 2021 than it was between Census 2001 and Census 2011:
 - Overall, population increases in East Cambridgeshire, Fenland and South Cambridgeshire have been much less - between 4.7% and 8.9%, Census 2011 to Census 2021, compared to increases of more than 14% between Census 2001 and Census 2011

- In Huntingdonshire population increases were slightly less in percentage terms, rising by 6.7% between Census 2011 and Census 2021 compared to an increase of 8.0% between Census 2001 and Census 2011
- In Peterborough population increases in percentage terms have been very similar over the two periods, increasing by 17.5% between Census 2011 and Census 2021 compared to a rise of 17.7% between Census 2001 and Census 2011
- In contrast, Cambridge has had a notable increase in population growth. Between Census 2001 and Census 2011 the population grew by 13.8% compared to an increase of 17.6% between Census 2011 and Census 2021.

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough overview

The Census 2021 total usual resident population for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is 894,300. This is an increase of 11.1% (89,500 residents) compared to Census 2011, when the usual resident population was 804,800. Overall, between Census 2001 and Census 2021 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough's population has increased by 26.2%, with slightly slower population growth between 2011 and 2021 (11.1%) compared to that seen between 2001 and 2011 (13.6%). Table 1 shows the total usual resident population data by local authority and for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough for Census 2001, Census 2011 and Census 2021.

Table 1: Census 2001 to Census 2021: usual resident population, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Area	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011, %	Change 2011- 2021, %	Change 2001- 2021, %
Cambridge	108,900	123,900	145,700	13.8	17.6	33.8
East Cambridgeshire	73,200	83,800	87,700	14.5	4.7	19.8
Fenland	83,500	95,300	102,500	14.1	7.6	22.8
Huntingdonshire	157,000	169,500	180,800	8.0	6.7	15.2
South Cambridgeshire	130,100	148,800	162,000	14.3	8.9	24.5
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England	49,138,800	53,012,500	56,489,800	7.9	6.6	15.0

Cambridgeshire's Census 2021 usual resident population is 678,600, a rise of 9.2% (57,400 residents) compared to Census 2011. Overall, Cambridgeshire's population has grown by 22.8% between 2001 and 2021, with slightly slower growth between 2011 and 2021 (9.2%) compared to that seen between 2001 and 2011 (12.4%).

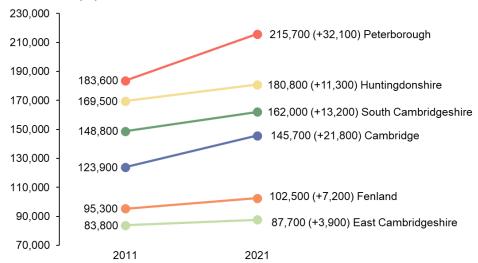
All districts within Cambridgeshire, along with Peterborough, have seen rises in their populations between Census 2011 and Census 2021, as shown in Figure 1. There has been particularly high population growth in the urban local authorities of Cambridge and Peterborough, with rises of just over 17% in both areas. Cambridge and Peterborough have seen some of the highest percentage increases in population in England since Census 2011 when compared to other local authorities, topped only by Tower Hamlets, Dartford, Barking and Dagenham, and Bedford.

Elsewhere in Cambridgeshire the increases in population since Census 2011 have ranged from 4.7% for East Cambridgeshire (3,900 residents) to 8.9% in South Cambridgeshire

(13,200 residents). In all districts, apart from East Cambridgeshire, population growth has been above that seen for England as a whole (6.6%), with Fenland's population increasing by 7.6% and Huntingdonshire's population rising by 6.7%. Cambridge, South Cambridgeshire and Peterborough have also seen population increases above the average for the East of England (8.3%).

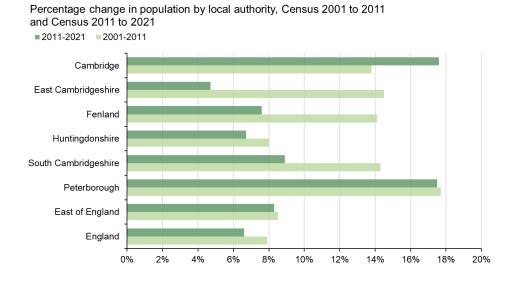
Figure 1: Usual resident population for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough by district, Census 2011 and Census 2021

Usual resident population, Census 2011 to 2021



For almost all districts, population growth in percentage terms has been slower between Census 2011 and Census 2021 than was seen between Census 2001 and Census 2011, as shown in Figure 2. However, Cambridge has seen greater growth, while Peterborough's population increase in percentage terms was very similar to that seen between 2001 and 2011 (17.5% between Census 2011 and Census 2021, and 17.7% between Census 2001 and Census 2011).

Figure 2: Percentage change in population by local authority, Census 2001 to 2011 compared to Census 2011 to 2021

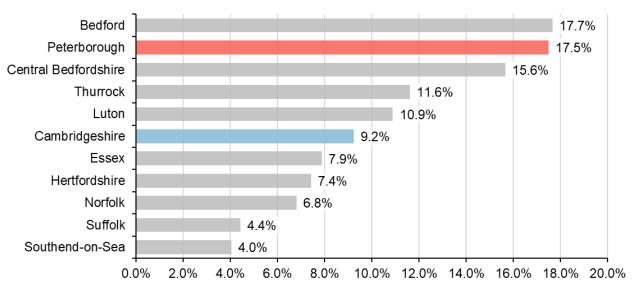


Comparison to neighbouring authorities

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough are amongst the local authorities in the East of England with the highest percentage rates of population increase between Census 2011 and Census 2021. Figure 3 shows percentage population change between Census 2011 and Census 2021 for county/unitary authorities. Peterborough is the second fastest growing (county/unitary) authority in the East of England with growth of 17.5% compared to Bedford's growth of 17.7%. Meanwhile Cambridgeshire is 6th, with population growth of 9.2% - a higher increase than seen in Essex, Hertfordshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and Southendon-Sea.

Figure 3: Percentage change in population for East of England county/unitary authorities, Census 2011 to Census 2021

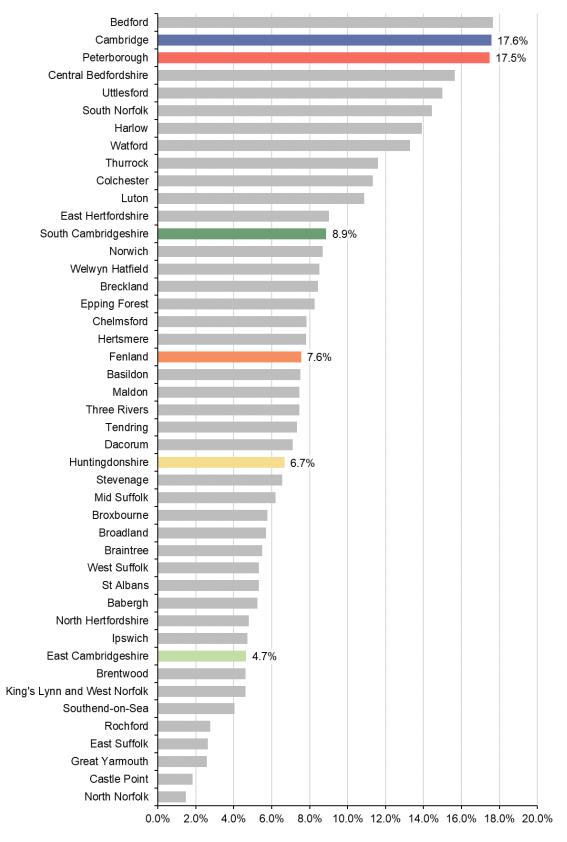
Percentage change in population for East of England County/Unitary authorities, Census 2011 to Census 2021



Of the 45 district/unitary authorities in the East of England, Cambridge has seen the second highest percentage increase in population between Census 2011 and Census 2021, and Peterborough the third highest. Figure 4 shows population change (by percentage) between Census 2011 and Census 2021 for district/unitary authorities in the East of England.

Figure 4: District/unitary East of England authorities by percentage change in population, Census 2011 to Census 2021

Percentage change in population for East of England District/Unitary authorities, Census 2011 to Census 2021



Population by five year age groups

Population change by five year age groups has varied between age groups and districts, as shown in the heatmap in Figure 5 below. Local authorities in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough have broadly followed the changes in population patterns as seen in the East of England and for England as a whole, with population increases tending to be more concentrated in the 5-14, 50-59 and 70-79 years age groups.

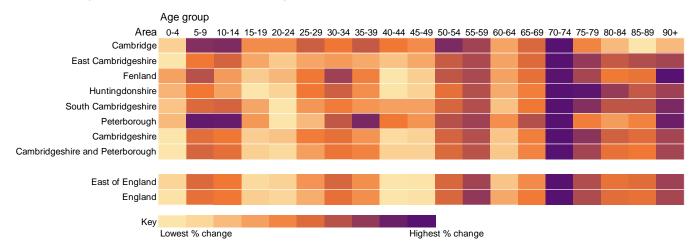
Cambridgeshire

- 0-19 years age group has grown by 3.9% overall since Census 2011. This growth
 is concentrated in the school-aged population. The size of the 0-4 years age group
 has declined since Census 2011
- 20-44 years age group has increased by 5.1% compared to Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the group aged between 25 and 39 years
- 45-64 years age group has increased by 9.1% compared to Census 2011, with this growth more concentrated in the 50-59 years age group
- 65 years and over age group has grown by 26.2% overall since Census 2011, with notable growth in the 70-79 years age group.

Peterborough

- 0-19 years age group has increased by 20.1% since Census 2011. While there has been some growth across all age groups, it has been most concentrated in the 5-14 years age group
- 20-44 years age group has risen by 13.3% since Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the 30-44 years age group, and with greater rises in the female population. There has been a slight fall in the size of the 20-24 years age group, the only 5 year age group in Peterborough to have declined in size since Census 2011
- 45-64 years age group has grown by 17.8% since Census 2011. Each of the 5 year age groups has increased, with growth particularly high in the 50-59 years age group
- 65 years and over age group has increased by 22.9% since Census 2011. There has been population growth in each of the 5 year age groups, with growth particularly high in the 70-74 years and 90 years and over age groups. Increases have been higher for the male population.

Figure 5: Heatmap of the percentage change in population by age group for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough local authorities, Census 2011 to 2021[1]



[1] Heatmap colours calculated individually for each area. Detailed percentage change figures are available in the local authority profiles

Households

The Census 2021 estimate for total number of households is 362,100, representing 36,800 additional households - a rise of 11.3% - since Census 2011, as shown in Table 2 below. All districts within Cambridgeshire and Peterborough have seen growth in household numbers of at least 7.5% between Census 2011 and Census 2021, with particularly strong increases in Cambridge (12.2%) and Peterborough (14.2%). Increases in the number of households in all districts except East Cambridgeshire (7.5%) have exceeded changes seen for the East of England (8.5%). All districts of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough have seen growth in household numbers higher than for England as a whole (6.2%).

Table 2: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Census 2001-2021: households

Area	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011, %	Change 2011- 2021, %	Change 2001- 2021, %
Cambridge	42,700	46,700	52,400	9.5	12.2	22.7
East Cambridgeshire	29,800	34,600	37,200	16.2	7.5	24.8
Fenland	35,200	40,600	44,100	15.4	8.6	25.3
Huntingdonshire	63,100	69,300	76,900	9.9	11.0	21.9
South Cambridgeshire	52,200	60,000	67,000	14.9	11.7	28.4
Cambridgeshire	222,900	251,200	277,600	12.7	10.5	24.5
Peterborough	65,400	74,000	84,500	13.2	14.2	29.2
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough	288,300	325,300	362,100	12.8	11.3	25.6
East of England	2,232,000	2,423,000	2,628,700	8.6	8.5	17.8
England	20,451,400	22,063,400	23,435,700	7.9	6.2	14.6

Local authority profiles

Cambridgeshire

Between Census 2011 and Census 2021 the usual resident population of Cambridgeshire has increased by 57,400, 9.2%, to 678,600. The total number of households has risen by 10.5% since Census 2011 to 277,600 households, and population density has increased to 2.2 people per hectare. Overall, Cambridgeshire's population has risen by 22.8% between Census 2001 and Census 2021, with slightly slower growth between 2011 and 2021 (9.2%) compared to 2001 to 2011 (12.4%).

Table 3: Cambridgeshire Census 2001-2021, comparison of first outputs

Summary	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011	Change 2011- 2021	Change 2001- 2021
Total population	552,700	621,200	678,600	68,500	57,400	125,900
Total households	222,900	251,200	277,600	28,300	26,400	54,700
Population density[1]	1.8	2.0	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.4

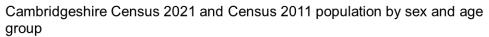
[1] Population density is the estimated usual resident population per hectare

Cambridgeshire's Census 2021 population is estimated as 49.4% male (335,400 residents) and 50.6% female (343,200 residents), a 0.4% change from Census 2011 when 49.8% of the population was male and 50.2% of the population was female.

Broadly, Cambridgeshire has seen higher increases in population in the older age groups, as Figure 6, Table 4 and Figure 7 show:

- 0-19 years age group has increased by 3.9% overall since Census 2011. This
 growth is concentrated in the school-aged population. The size of the 0-4 years age
 group has declined by 6.3% since Census 2011. The population aged 15 to 19 years
 has also fallen marginally since Census 2011.
- 20-44 years age group has increased by 5.1% compared to Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the group aged between 25 and 39 years. The 40-44 years age group is smaller than at Census 2011.
- 45-64 years age group has increased by 9.1% compared to Census 2011, with this growth more concentrated in the 50-59 years age group. The size of the 45-49 years age group has decreased compared to Census 2011.
- 65 years and over age group has grown by 26.2% overall since Census 2011, with notable growth in the 70-79 years age group.

Figure 6: Cambridgeshire Census 2021 and Census 2011 population pyramid



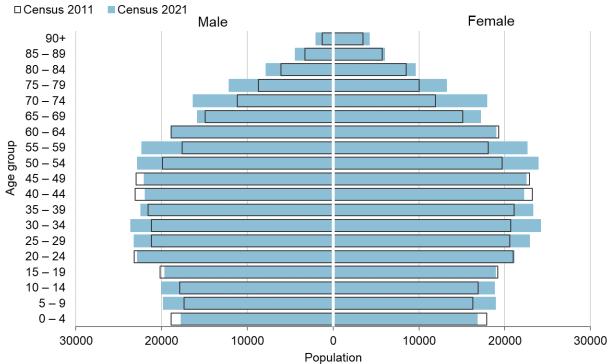
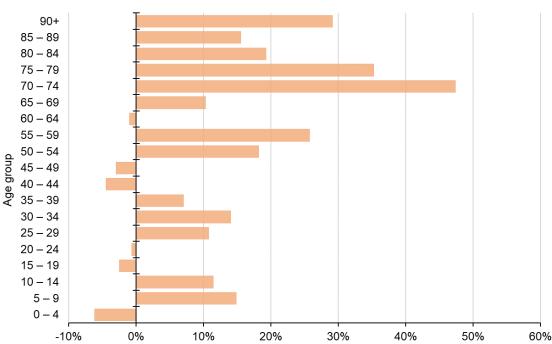


Table 4: Cambridgeshire Census 2021 population by age group and change since Census 2011

Age group	Persons Census 2021	Change since Census 2011
0 - 4	34,500	-2,300
5 – 9	38,700	5,000
10 – 14	38,800	4,000
15 – 19	38,500	-1,000
20 – 24	43,900	-300
25 – 29	46,200	4,500
30 – 34	47,800	5,900
35 – 39	45,700	3,000
40 – 44	44,200	-2,100
45 – 49	44,500	-1,400
50 – 54	46,700	7,200
55 – 59	44,900	9,200
60 - 64	37,800	-400
65 – 69	33,100	3,100
70 – 74	34,200	11,000
75 – 79	25,300	6,600
80 – 84	17,300	2,800
85 – 89	10,400	1,400
90+	6,200	1,400

Figure 7: Percentage change in Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021

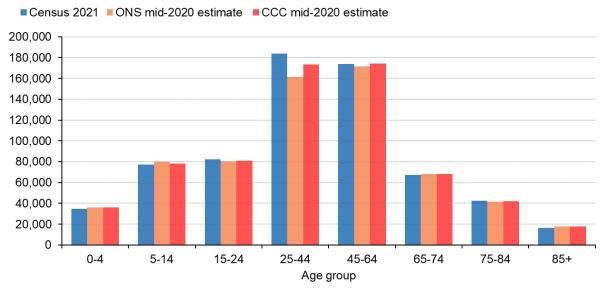
% change in Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021



Cambridgeshire's Census 2021 population of 678,600 is 21,400 higher than the ONS mid-year population estimate for 2020 of 657,200, and 7,600 higher than CCC's population estimate for mid-2020 of 671,000. Figure 8 shows the main differences by age group between Census 2021 and the mid-2020 estimates, with the highest differences found in the 25-44 years age group.

Figure 8: Cambridgeshire Census 2021 population by age group compared to ONS' mid-2020 estimate and CCC's mid-2020 estimate

Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2021 compared to 2020 population estimates



Cambridge

Between Census 2011 and Census 2021 the usual resident population of Cambridge has grown significantly, by 21,800, 17.6%, to 145,700. It is amongst the fastest growing local authorities in England. The number of households has risen by 12.2% since Census 2011 to 52,400 households, and population density has increased to 35.8 people per hectare. Overall, Cambridge's population has grown by 33.8% between Census 2001 and Census 2021, with higher growth seen between 2011 and 2021 (17.6%) compared to 2001 to 2011 (13.8%). It is the only local authority within Cambridgeshire where growth has been higher in the most recent ten-year census period compared to that seen between 2001 and 2011.

Table 5: Cambridge Census 2001-2021, comparison of first outputs

Summary	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011	Change 2011- 2021	Change 2001- 2021
Total population	108,900	123,900	145,700	15,000	21,800	36,800
Total households	42,700	46,700	52,400	4,000	5,700	9,700
Population density[1]	26.8	30.4	35.8	3.6	5.4	9.0

[1] Population density is the estimated usual resident population per hectare

Cambridge's Census 2021 population is estimated as 50.1% male (73,000 residents) and 49.9% female (72,200 residents), a 0.7% change from Census 2011, when 50.8% of the population was male and 49.2% of the population was female.

Broadly, population growth in Cambridge between Census 2011 and Census 2021 has been evenly spread across different age groups, as Figure 9, Table 6 and Figure 10 show:

- 0-19 years age group has grown by 15.2% since Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the 5-14 years age group. The size of the 0-4 years age group has slightly decreased (-6.0%) since Census 2011, and more notably for the female population
- 20-44 years age group has increased by 18.5% compared to Census 2011, with growth evenly spread between each of the 5 year age groups
- 45-64 years age group has risen by 20.2% compared to Census 2011, with the highest growth seen in the 50-59 years age group
- 65 years and over age group has increased by 13.7% compared to Census 2011, with the highest growth in the 70-74 years age group. Cambridge has diverged from trends seen in other districts and in England overall, with the size of the 80 years and over age group slightly smaller than at Census 2011. This seems to have been largely driven by a decline in the size of the female population in this age group.

Figure 9: Cambridge Census 2021 and Census 2011 population pyramid Cambridge Census 2021 and Census 2011 population by sex and age group

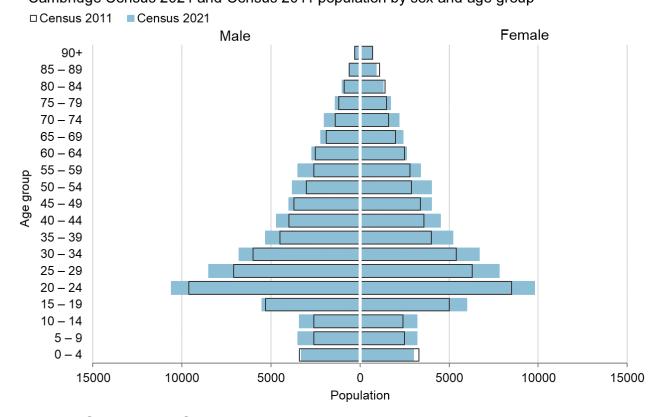
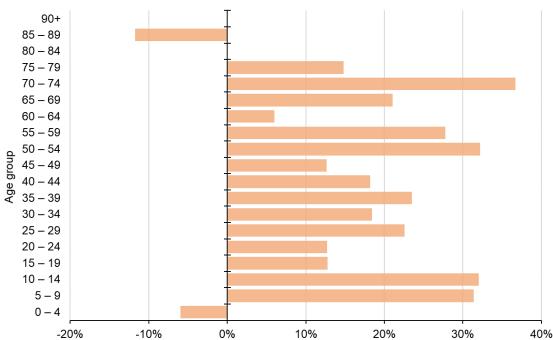


Table 6: Cambridge Census 2021 population by age group and change since Census 2011

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Age group	Persons Census 2021	Change since Census 2011
0 - 4	6,300	-400
5 – 9	6,700	1,600
10 – 14	6,600	1,600
15 – 19	11,500	1,300
20 – 24	20,400	2,300
25 – 29	16,300	3,000
30 – 34	13,500	2,100
35 – 39	10,500	2,000
40 – 44	9,100	1,400
45 – 49	8,000	900
50 – 54	7,800	1,900
55 – 59	6,900	1,500
60 – 64	5,300	300
65 – 69	4,600	800
70 – 74	4,100	1,100
75 – 79	3,100	400
80 – 84	2,300	0
85 – 89	1,500	-200
90+	1,000	0

Figure 10: Percentage change in Cambridge population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021

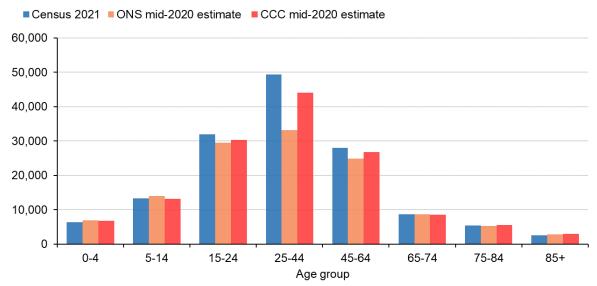
% change in Cambridge population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021



Cambridge's Census 2021 population of 145,700 is 20,600 higher than the ONS mid-year population estimate for 2020 of 125,100, and 7,900 higher than CCC's population estimate for mid-2020 of 137,800. Figure 11 shows the main differences by age group between Census 2021 and the mid-2020 estimates, with the highest differences found in the 25-44 years age group.

Figure 11: Cambridge Census 2021 population by age group compared to ONS' mid-2020 estimate and CCC's mid-2020 estimate

Cambridge population by age group, Census 2021 compared to 2020 population estimates



East Cambridgeshire

Between Census 2011 and Census 2021 the total usual resident population of East Cambridgeshire's has increased by 3,900, 4.7%, to 87,700. The number of households has risen by 7.5% since Census 2011 to 37,200 households, and population density has increased to 1.4 people per hectare. Overall, East Cambridgeshire's population has grown by 19.8% between Census 2001 and Census 2021, with slower growth between 2011 and 2021 (4.7%) compared to that seen between 2001 and 2011 (14.5%).

Table 7: East Cambridgeshire Census 2001-2021, comparison of first outputs

Summary	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011	Change 2011- 2021	Change 2001- 2021
Total population	73,200	83,800	87,700	10,600	3,900	14,500
Total households	29,800	34,600	37,200	4,800	2,600	7,400
Population density[1]	1.1	1.3	1.4	0.2	0.1	0.3

[1] Population density is the estimated usual resident population per hectare

East Cambridgeshire's Census 2021 population is estimated as 49.0% male (43,000 residents) and 51.0% female (44,700 residents). This is a 0.4% change from Census 2011, when 49.4% of the population was male and 50.6% of the population was female

Broadly, between Census 2011 and Census 2021 East Cambridgeshire's older age groups have seen higher population growth, whilst some of the younger age groups have declined in size, as Figure 12, Table 8 and Figure 13 show,

- 0-19 years age group has decreased in size by 1.0% since Census 2011. While there has been strong growth in the 10-14 years age group, the 0-4 years age group has seen a substantial decrease of 18.2% in population size since Census 2011
- 20-44 years age group has decreased by 6.6% since Census 2011, with all 5 year age groups seeing a decline in population numbers compared to Census 2011
- 45-64 years age group has increased by 8.5% since Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the 50-59 years age groups
- 65 years and over age group has grown by 27.3% since Census 2011. All 5 year age groups have seen population increases, with particularly strong growth in the 70-74 years age group, as well in the older male population more generally.

Figure 12: East Cambridgeshire Census 2021 and Census 2011 population pyramid

East Cambridgeshire Census 2021 and Census 2011 population by sex and age group

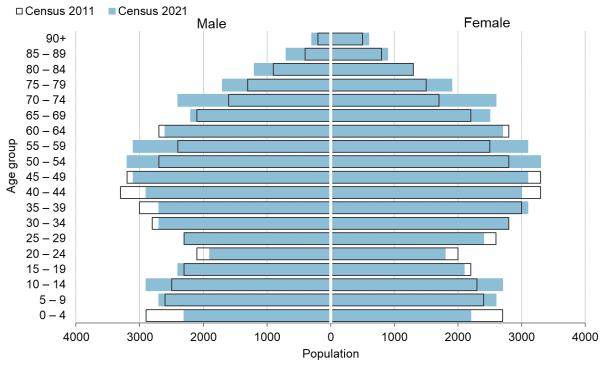
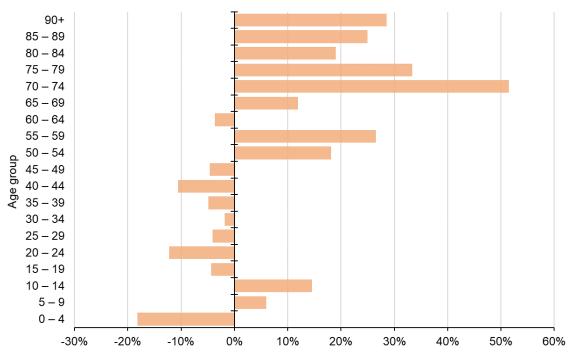


Table 8: East Cambridgeshire Census 2021 population by age group and change since Census 2011

Age group	Persons Census 2021	Change since Census 2011
0 - 4	4,500	-1,000
5 – 9	5,300	300
10 – 14	5,500	700
15 – 19	4,400	-200
20 - 24	3,600	-500
25 - 29	4,700	-200
30 - 34	5,500	-100
35 – 39	5,800	-300
40 – 44	5,900	-700
45 – 49	6,200	-300
50 – 54	6,500	1,000
55 – 59	6,200	1,300
60 – 64	5,300	-200
65 – 69	4,700	500
70 – 74	5,000	1,700
75 – 79	3,600	900
80 – 84	2,500	400
85 – 89	1,500	300
90+	900	200

Figure 13: Percentage change in East Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021

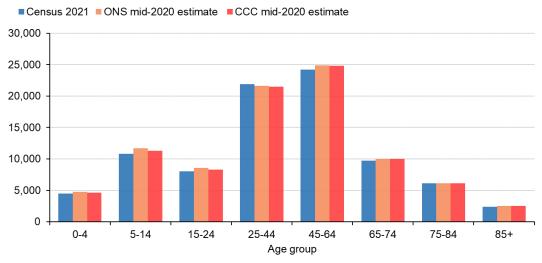
% change in East Cambridgeshire population by sex and age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021



East Cambridgeshire's Census 2021 population of 87,700 is 2,500 lower than the ONS mid-year population estimate for 2020 of 90,200, and 1,400 lower than CCC's population estimate for mid-2020 of 89,100. Figure 14 shows the main differences by age group between Census 2021 and the mid-2020 estimates. Census 2021 populations are slightly lower than the mid-year estimates in most age groups, although higher for the 25-44 years age group.

Figure 14: East Cambridgeshire Census 2021 population by age group compared to ONS' mid-2020 estimate and CCC's mid-2020 estimate

East Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2021 compared to 2020 population estimates



Fenland

Between Census 2011 and Census 2021 the total usual resident population of Fenland increased by 7,200, 7.6%, to 102,500. The number of households has risen by 8.6% since Census 2011 to 44,100 households, and population density has increased to 1.9 people per hectare. Overall, Fenland's population has grown by 22.8% between Census 2001 and Census 2021, with slower growth seen between 2011 and 2021 (7.6%) than between 2001 and 2011 (14.1%).

Table 9: Fenland Census 2001-2021, comparison of first outputs

Summary	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011	Change 2011- 2021	Change 2001- 2021
Total population	83,500	95,300	102,500	11,800	7,200	19,000
Total households	35,200	40,600	44,100	5,400	3,500	8,900
Population density[1]	1.5	1.7	1.9	0.2	0.2	0.4

[1] Population density is the estimated usual resident population per hectare

Fenland's Census 2021 population is estimated as 49.0% male (50,200 residents) and 51.0% female (52,300 residents). This is a 0.1% change from Census 2011, when 49.1% of the population was male and 50.9% of the population was female

Broadly, Fenland has seen higher population growth in the age groups of 50 years and over, as shown in Figure 15, Table 10 and Figure 16.

- 0-19 years age group has grown by 1.9% since Census 2011. While there has been notable growth in the size of the 5-9 years age group, there has been a decrease in the size of the 15-19 years age group
- 20-44 years age group has increased by 3.1% since Census 2011. Population growth has been concentrated in the 25-39 years age group. There has been a notable fall in the size of the population aged 40-44 years
- 45-64 years age group has increased by 6.9% since Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the 50-59 years age group
- 65 years and over age group has increased by 21.2% since Census 2011, with high growth in the 70-74 years and 90 years and over age groups.

Figure 15: Fenland Census 2021 and Census 2011 population pyramid

Fenland Census 2021 and Census 2011 population by sex and age group

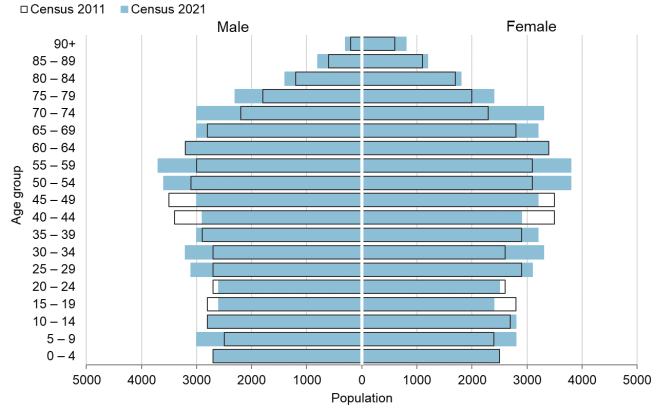
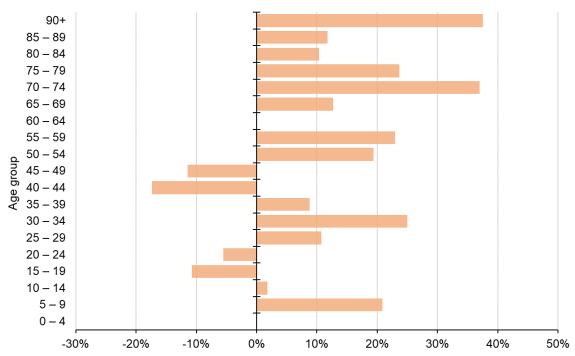


Table 10: Fenland Census 2021 population by age group and change since Census 2011

Age group	Persons Census 2021	Change since Census 2011
0 - 4	5,200	0
5 – 9	5,800	1,000
10 – 14	5,600	100
15 – 19	5,000	-600
20 - 24	5,100	-300
25 – 29	6,200	600
30 - 34	6,500	1,300
35 – 39	6,200	500
40 – 44	5,700	-1,200
45 – 49	6,200	-800
50 – 54	7,400	1,200
55 – 59	7,500	1,400
60 – 64	6,600	0
65 – 69	6,200	700
70 – 74	6,300	1,700
75 – 79	4,700	900
80 – 84	3,200	300
85 – 89	1,900	200
90+	1,100	300

Figure 16: Percentage change in Fenland population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021

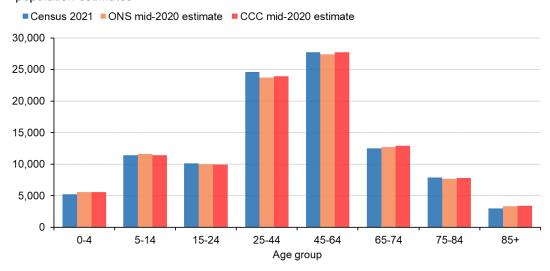
% change in Fenland population by sex and age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021



Fenland's Census 2021 population of 102,500 is 400 higher than the ONS mid-year population estimate for 2020 of 102,100, and 100 higher than CCC's population estimate for mid-2020 of 102,400. Figure 17 shows the main differences by age group between Census 2021 and the mid-2020 estimates. Census 2021 populations are slightly lower for the 65-74 years and 85 years and over age groups, and slightly higher for the 25-44 years age group.

Figure 17: Fenland Census 2021 population by 5 year age group compared to ONS' mid-2020 estimate and CCC's mid-2020 estimate

Fenland population by age group, Census 2021 compared to 2020 population estimates



Huntingdonshire

Between Census 2011 and Census 2021 the total usual resident population of Huntingdonshire has increased by 11,300, 6.7%, to 180,800. The number of households has risen by 11.0% since Census 2011 to 76,900 households, and population density has increased to 2.0 people per hectare. Overall, Huntingdonshire's population has grown by 15.2% between Census 2001 and Census 2021, with slightly slower growth between 2011 and 2021 (6.7%) compared to between 2001 and 2011 (8%).

Table 11: Huntingdonshire Census 2001-2021, comparison of first outputs

Summary	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011	Change 2011- 2021	Change 2001- 2021
Total population	157,000	169,500	180,800	12,500	11,300	23,800
Total households	63,100	69,300	76,900	6,200	7,600	13,800
Population density[1]	1.7	1.9	2.0	0.2	0.1	0.3

[1] Population density is the estimated usual resident population per hectare

Huntingdonshire's Census 2021 population is estimated as 49.6% male (89,700 residents) and 50.4% female (91,100 residents). This is a 0.3% change from Census 2011, when 49.9% of the population was male and 50.1% of the population was female

Broadly, Huntingdonshire has seen higher population growth in older age groups, in particular the 65 years and over age group. In contrast, younger population groups have seen limited growth or small declines, as shown in Figure 18, Table 12 and Figure 19.

- 0-19 years age group has decreased in size by 2.5% since Census 2011. Although there has been growth in the 5-9 years age group, there have been population decreases in the 0-4 years and 15-19 years age groups
- 20-44 years age group has seen an increase of 0.7% compared to Census 2011, with high growth in the 25-34 years age group. There have been declines in the size of the populations in the 20-24 years and 40-44 years age groups
- 45-64 years age group has increased by 5.7% since Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the 50-59 years age groups
- 65 years and over age group has grown by 33.7% compared to Census 2011, with particularly high population growth in the 70-74 years and 75-79 years age groups of more than 50%.

Figure 18: Huntingdonshire Census 2021 and Census 2011 population pyramid

Huntingdonshire Census 2021 and Census 2011 population by sex and age group

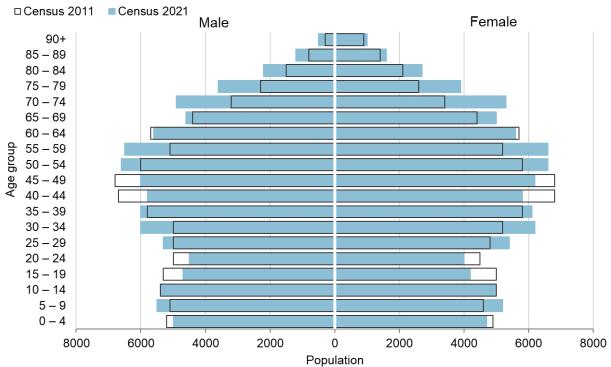
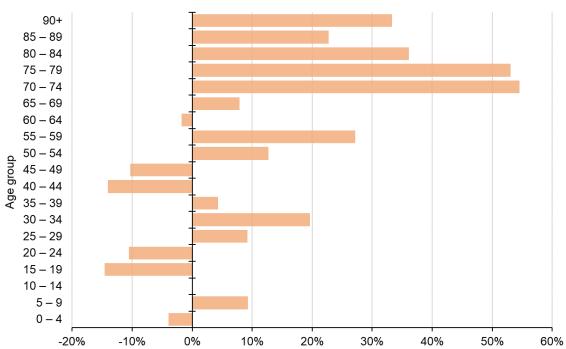


Table 12: Huntingdonshire Census 2021 population by age group and change since Census 2011

Age group	Persons Census 2021	Change since Census 2011
0 - 4	9,700	-400
5 – 9	10,600	900
10 – 14	10,400	0
15 – 19	8,800	-1,500
20 – 24	8,500	-1,000
25 – 29	10,700	900
30 – 34	12,200	2,000
35 – 39	12,100	500
40 – 44	11,600	-1,900
45 – 49	12,200	-1,400
50 – 54	13,300	1,500
55 – 59	13,100	2,800
60 – 64	11,200	-200
65 – 69	9,600	700
70 – 74	10,200	3,600
75 – 79	7,500	2,600
80 – 84	4,900	1,300
85 – 89	2,700	500
90+	1,600	400

Figure 19: Percentage change in Huntingdonshire population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021

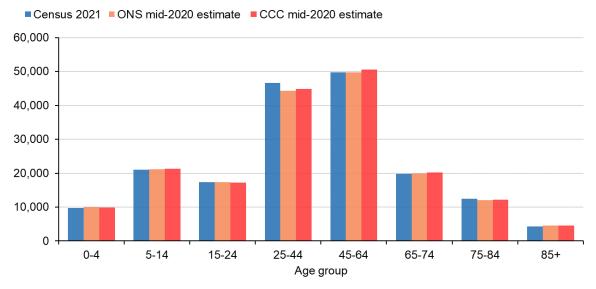
% change in Huntingdonshire population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021



Huntingdonshire's Census 2021 population of 180,800 is 1,800 higher than the ONS mid-year population estimate for 2020 of 179,000, and equal to CCC's population estimate for mid-2020 of 180,800. Figure 20 shows the main differences by age group between Census 2021 and the mid-2020 estimates. The 25-44 years age group is slightly higher than the estimates, and the 45-64 years age group slightly lower.

Figure 20: Huntingdonshire Census 2021 population by 5 year age group compared to ONS' mid-2020 estimate and CCC's mid-2020 estimate

Huntingdonshire population by age group, Census 2021 compared to 2020 population estimates



South Cambridgeshire

Between Census 2011 and Census 2021 the total usual resident population of South Cambridgeshire has increased by 13,200, 8.9%, to 162,000. The number of households has risen by 11.7% since Census 2011 to 67,000 households, and population density has increased to 1.8 people per hectare. Overall, South Cambridgeshire's population has grown by 24.5% between Census 2001 and Census 2021, with slower growth between 2011 and 2021 (8.9%) than between 2001 and 2011 (14.3%).

Table 13: South Cambridgeshire Census 2001-2021, comparison of first outputs

Summary	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011	Change 2011- 2021	Change 2001- 2021
Total population	130,100	148,800	162,000	18,700	13,200	31,900
Total households	52,200	60,000	67,000	7,800	7,000	14,800
Population density[1]	1.4	1.6	1.8	0.2	0.2	0.4

[1] Population density is the estimated usual resident population per hectare

South Cambridgeshire's Census 2021 population is estimated as 49.1% male (79,500 residents) and 50.9% female (82,400 residents). This is a 0.5% change from Census 2011, when 49.6% of the population was male and 50.4% of the population was female.

Broadly, South Cambridgeshire has seen higher population growth in the older age groups, in particular the 65 years and over age group, as shown in Figure 21, Table 14, and Figure 22.

- 0-19 years age group has grown by 6.4% since Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the 5-14 years age group. There has been a decline in the size of the 0-4 years population since Census 2011
- 20-44 years age group has seen 0.8% growth since Census 2011, with small population increases in the 25-44 years age group and a large decrease in the size of the 20-24 years age group
- 45-64 years age group has increased by 8.6% since 2011, with growth concentrated in the 50-59 years age group
- 65 years and over age group has grown by 28.7% since Census 2011, with population growth concentrated in the 70-74 years age group where there has been an increase of more than 50% and the 75-79 years age group.

Figure 21: South Cambridgeshire Census 2021 and Census 2011 population pyramid

South Cambridgeshire Census 2021 and Census 2011 population by sex and age group

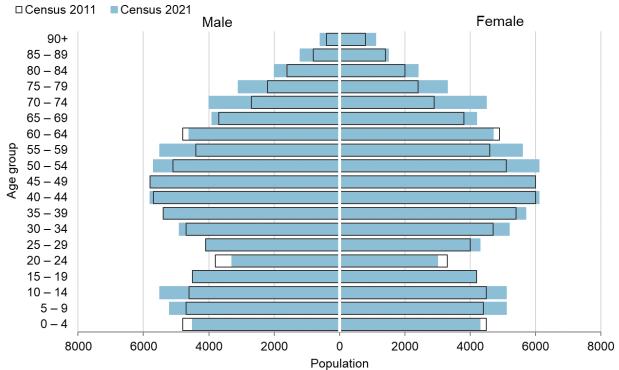
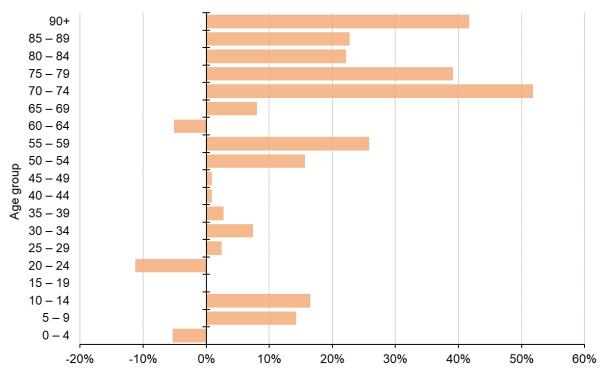


Table 14: South Cambridgeshire Census 2021 population by age group and change since Census 2011

Age group	Persons Census 2021	Change since Census 2011
0 – 4	8,800	-500
5 – 9	10,400	1,300
10 – 14	10,600	1,500
15 – 19	8,700	0
20 - 24	6,300	-800
25 – 29	8,300	200
30 - 34	10,100	700
35 - 39	11,100	300
40 – 44	11,800	100
45 – 49	11,900	100
50 – 54	11,800	1,600
55 – 59	11,200	2,300
60 – 64	9,300	-500
65 – 69	8,100	600
70 – 74	8,500	2,900
75 – 79	6,400	1,800
80 – 84	4,400	800
85 – 89	2,700	500
90+	1,700	500

Figure 22: Percentage change in South Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021

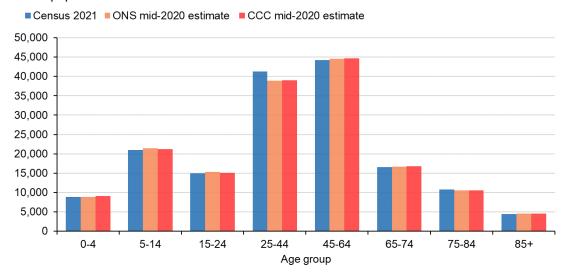
% change in South Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021



South Cambridgeshire's Census 2021 population of 162,000 is 1,100 higher than the ONS mid-year population estimate for 2020 of 160,900, and 1,000 higher than CCC's population estimate for mid-2020 of 161,000. Figure 23 shows the main differences by age group between Census 2021 and the mid-2020 estimates. The 25-44 years age group is slightly higher than the estimates.

Figure 23: South Cambridgeshire Census 2021 population by 5 year age group compared to ONS' mid-2020 estimate and CCC's mid-2020 estimate

South Cambridgeshire population by age group, Census 2021 compared to 2020 population estimates



Peterborough

Between Census 2011 and Census 2021 Peterborough's usual resident population has increased by 32,100, 17.5%, to 215,700 from 183,600. It has been one of the fastest growing local authorities both in the East of England and England. The number of households has risen by 14.2% since Census 2011 to 84,500 households, and population density has increased to 6.3 people per hectare. Overall, Peterborough's population has grown by 38.2% between 2001 and 2021, with similar population growth seen between 2011 and 2021 (17.5%) and between 2001 and 2011 (17.7%).

Table 15: Peterborough Census 2001-2021, comparison of first outputs

Summary	Census 2001	Census 2011	Census 2021	Change 2001- 2011	Change 2011- 2021	Change 2001- 2021
Total population	156,100	183,600	215,700	27,500	32,100	59,600
Total households	65,400	74,000	84,500	8,600	10,500	19,100
Population density[1]	4.5	5.3	6.3	8.0	1.0	1.8

[1] Population density is the estimated usual resident population per hectare

Peterborough's Census 2021 population comprises 106,600 male residents (49.4% of the total) and 109,100 female residents (50.6% of the total). This is a marginal change from Census 2011, when males accounted for 49.5% of the total population and females for 50.5% of the total population.

Broadly, population growth in Peterborough between Census 2011 and Census 2021 has been evenly spread across the different age groups, as Figure 24, Table 16 and Figure 25 show:

- 0-19 years age group has increased by 20.1% since Census 2011. While there has been some growth across all age groups, it has been most concentrated in the 5-14 years age group.
- 20-44 years age group has risen by 13.3% since Census 2011, with growth concentrated in the 30-44 years age group, and with greater rises in the female population. There has been a slight decline in the size of the 20-24 years age group, the only 5 year age group in Peterborough to have declined in size since Census 2011.
- 45-64 years age group has grown by 17.8% since Census 2011. Each of the 5 year age groups has increased, with growth particularly high in the 50-59 years age group.
- 65 years and over age group has increased by 22.9% since Census 2011. There has been population growth in each of the 5 year age groups, with growth particularly high in the 70-74 years and 90 years and over age groups. Increases have been higher for the male population.

Figure 24: Peterborough Census 2021 and Census 2011 population pyramid

Peterborough Census 2021 and Census 2011 population by sex and age group

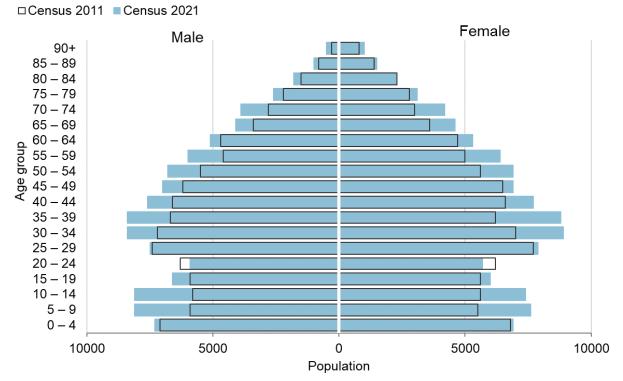
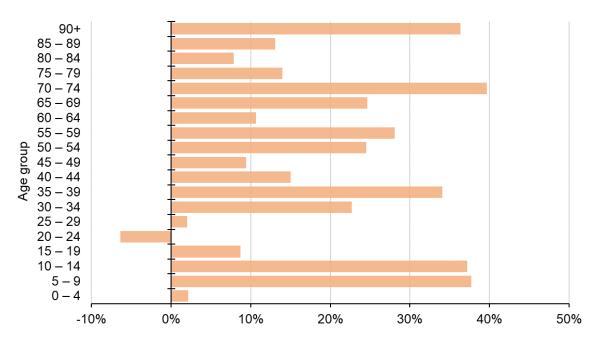


Table 16: Peterborough Census 2021 population by age group and change since Census 2011

Age group	Persons Census 2021	Change since Census 2011
0 - 4	14,200	300
5 – 9	15,700	4,300
10 – 14	15,500	4,200
15 – 19	12,500	1,000
20 – 24	11,700	-800
25 – 29	15,300	300
30 – 34	17,300	3,200
35 – 39	17,300	4,400
40 – 44	15,300	2,000
45 – 49	13,900	1,200
50 – 54	13,700	2,700
55 – 59	12,300	2,700
60 – 64	10,400	1,000
65 – 69	8,600	1,700
70 – 74	8,100	2,300
75 – 79	5,700	700
80 – 84	4,100	300
85 – 89	2,600	300
90+	1,500	400

Figure 25: Percentage change in Peterborough population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021

% change in Peterborough population by age group, Census 2011 to Census 2021



Peterborough's Census 2021 population of 215,700 is 13,100 higher than the ONS mid-year population estimate for 2020 of 202,600, and 10,800 higher than CCC's population estimate for mid-2020 of 204,900. Figure 26 shows the main differences by age group between Census 2021 and the mid-2020 estimates, with the main differences in the 15-24 years and 25-44 years age groups.

Figure 26: Peterborough Census 2021 population by 5 year age group compared to ONS' mid-2020 estimate and CCC's mid-2020 estimate

Peterborough population by age group, Census 2021 compared to 2020 population estimates

