# Subject 2011 Census - South Bucks Summary

#### 1 Purpose of this Report

1.1 To provide an overview of the 2011 Census results which have been released so far for South Bucks.

### 2 Background

- 2.1 The 2011 Census in England and Wales was undertaken by the Office for National Statistics. Separate censuses also took place in Scotland and Northern Ireland and all three censuses took place on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2011.
- 2.2 Census statistics help to provide up to date valuable information for public and private organisations to deliver services nationally and in the community. It provides a wide variety of information on housing and population that can be used by local authorities, other public bodies, businesses and voluntary organisations to develop policies and deliver tailored services in the community.
- 2.3 The first phase of Census data for local areas was released between November 2012 and February 2013 and more detailed data is being released in stages in 2013.

## 3 Headline Results

- 3.1 Some of the headline results from the 2011 Census can be found below.
- 3.1.1 The population of South Bucks based on the 2011 census results was 66,867, an increase of 7.9% from 2001 when it was 61,945.
- 3.1.2 12,951 people within South Bucks were aged 65 and over, an increase of 19.4% from 2001 when there was 10,848. This age group accounts for 19.4% of the population of South Bucks, higher than the England average of 16.4% for this age group.
- 3.1.3 There were 26,514 households within South Bucks, an increase of 7% from 2001 when there were 24,781 households.
- 3.1.4 6,595 households had all household members aged 65 and over, this accounts for almost a quarter of all households in South Bucks and is higher than England average of 20.8%.
- 3.1.5 There were 8,098 households with dependent children which accounted for 30.5% of all households in South Bucks.
- 3.1.6 There were 1,195 lone parent households (where the lone parent is aged 16 to 74), this is an increase of 45.9% from 2001 when there were 819 households. This accounts for 4.5% of all households in South Bucks compared to 3.3% in 2001.
- 3.1.7 10,502 people fell within a Black & Minority Ethnic (BME) group in 2011 which accounted for 15.7% of the population, this compares to 4,097 people in 2001 which accounted for 6.6% of the population.
- 3.1.8 256 people declared their ethnicity as Gypsy or Irish Traveller which accounted for 0.4% of the population of South Bucks. South Bucks is ranked 7 out of 348 authorities for the percentage of the population who stated this as their ethnicity, so falls within the highest 5% of authorities.
- 3.1.9 There were 41,637 people in South Bucks who stated their religion as Christian which accounted for 62.3% of the population. This has decreased from 46,815 people in 2001 (75.6% of the population).

- 3.1.10 There were 3,163 people who declared their religion as Sikh in 2011 which accounted for 4.7% of the population of South Bucks. This compares to 2001 when there were 977 people who declared their religion as Sikh (1.6%). South Bucks is ranked 11 out of 348 authorities for the percentage of the population who stated Sikh as their religion, so falls within the highest 5% of authorities.
- 3.1.11 There were 2,251 households which had different ethnic groups within partnerships which accounted for 8.5% of households in 2011, this compares to 6.9% of households for Buckinghamshire and 4.6% of households in England.
- 3.1.12 84.5% of people living in South Bucks were born in the UK, this is lower than the Bucks average of 87.1% and 86.2% for England.
- 3.1.13 There were 9,300 people in South Bucks who stated that their day to day activities were limited due to long-term health problems or disability which accounts for 13.9% of the population of South Bucks.
- 3.1.14 6,893 people stated that they provided some form of unpaid care (10.4%) of the population; this is slightly higher than the Buckinghamshire average of 9.8% and the England average of 10.3%.
- 3.1.15 There were 467 caravans or other mobile or temporary structures within South Bucks which accounted for 1.7% of dwelling types within the District. South Bucks was ranked 17 out of 348 authorities for the percentage of this type of dwelling within the district meaning it falls within the highest 5% of authorities.
- 3.1.16 In South Bucks there is an average of 6.4 rooms per household and 3.2 bedrooms per household. South Bucks is ranked 1 out of 348 meaning it ranks the highest for the number of rooms and bedrooms per household compared to all other authorities.
- 3.1.17 There were 2,711 households in South Bucks which had no cars or vans which accounted for 10.2% of all households
- 3.1.18 South Bucks has 2,966 households (11.2%) with 3 cars and 1,401 households (5.3%) with 4 cars and is ranked 1 out of 348 for both these categories meaning it ranks the highest for the number of households with 3 or 4 cars or vans.
- 3.1.19 There were 435 people who were long-term unemployed in 2011.
- 3.1.20 The highest occupation group that people fell within was the professional occupation group which accounted for 20.9% (6,914 people).
- 3.1.21 Out of the usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment the week before the census there were 18.8% (6,241 people) who stated their occupation as Managers, directors and senior officials.
- 3.1.22 Out of the 33,117 usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment the week before the census the largest industry category for South Bucks that people said they worked in was Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles 4,819 people stated they worked in this industry which accounted for 14.6%.
- 3.1.23 45.3% of the populations' method of travelling to work was by driving a car or van. 3410 people (7.1%) travel to work either by train or via the underground, metro, light rail or tram which is an increase of 61% from 2001 (2,123 people).

## 4 Further information

4.1 More detailed Census information for South Bucks can be found in Appendix A and is available on the Council's KnowledgeSource system and the full reference tables can be found on the Census website at:

http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/census/2011/index.html

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