

Guide to the 1931 Census Digitised Statistics

Describes data for England and Wales

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Background of the Project

The ONS has embarked on a program of 'statistical archaeology' projects to make more historical census outputs available to the public in digital form. The project will see the digitisation of census outputs from 1921 through to 1961. This data represents digitised versions of tables from the 1931 Census County Reports and Topic Reports. More data will be added as it becomes available.

These data were never published digitally and until now have been available as scanned images of the printed 1931 Census tables. This project aimed to breathe new life into the data by retrieving and processing content from the 1931 Census County and Topic Reports. The digitisation of the data was performed by the University of Salford's Pattern Recognition and Image Analysis (PRImA) Research Lab.

With the data digitised, the ONS plans to make it available to the public and researchers via the Nomis website.

An important note: there is no attempt being made to update or modernise the language or terminology published as part of the program of historical record digitisation. Rather, the information will be presented, both within the datasets and the surrounding meta-data, as printed at the time wherever possible. There may be some instances in which additional information is given to provide clarity.

The 1931 tables are currently available only as a data download file. Where possible, these will be made available in tabular format in later releases. These tables will be presented in a format which has been designed to be the most accessible and usable to a modern audience. As such they may not be in the same format as originally printed and the presentation will differ from the tables seen in the original county and topic reports.

Quality Assurance of the Data

During processing, errors were identified in the original printed versions. Where possible these have been corrected. As such some of the figures may be different to the original printed versions.

1931 Census Methodology

The following information has been compiled from documentation produced to accompany the 1931 Census Outputs including the General Report, the Census Schedule (form), and the County and Topic Reports. A digitised version of the General Report for the 1931 Census is available to download via the Nomis website¹.

¹ https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/sources/census_1931

Basis of enumeration

The 1931 Census was undertaken on Sunday 26th April 1931. The census counted all people who were alive at midnight ending the Census day. This included persons belonging to the naval, military or air forces of the Crown, and any other persons present at any defence establishment; persons present on any vessel in inland waters or engaged in any coast-wise or fishing voyage, or lying moored or anchored in any place; and persons not enumerated elsewhere who arrived after Census day but before the returns were required.

Enumeration

Similar to previous censuses the country was divided by the local Registrars of Births and Deaths into 40,016 enumeration districts and for each district an Enumerator delivered and collected census schedules. H.M. Customs and Excise officers enumerated persons on board mercantile shipping, fishing vessels, etc.; the Corporation of Trinity House arranged enumeration for persons on lighthouses and lightships; and the police were responsible for enumerating the homeless. Rangers of the Forestry Commission were responsible for the enumeration of gypsies and others encamped in the New Forest or the Forest of Dean. In the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands the census was carried out on the same date by the island authorities. On the same day a census of overseas armed forces establishments was taken.

Questions Asked

The question on usual residence was first included in 1931, to provide greater accuracy regarding resident populations.

The questions on education, dependency (including orphanhood), and place of work, which were included in 1921, were omitted.

Consistency with Later Censuses

Just as outlined above the 1931 Census included new questions and topics that were not asked about in the previous census, so too have additional questions been asked in the censuses that have been conducted since. The ONS website contains a document² outlining all census topics covered from the first census in 1801, through to the 2011 Census. To give a few examples, 1931 did not ask questions related to the number of cars or vans within a household, ethnic group, or religion.

Geography

The data relates to the 1931 County Reports and Topic Reports for England and Wales. The data is available on Nomis down to 1931 district level although not all tables are available at the most detailed level of geography (see Tables section

² <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/census/1991-and-earlier-censuses/guide-to-earlier-census-data/comparing-census-topics-over-time.pdf>

below for area type available for each table). Lower levels of geography will be included in subsequent releases.

Districts

For 1931 district names, there are suffixed acronyms which give further detail about the nature of the district. These are detailed below:

Acronym	Label
CB	County Borough
CC	County Corporate (London only)
ME	Metropolitan Borough (London only)
MU	Municipal Borough
RD	Rural District
UD	Urban District

When downloading data from Nomis, where districts in different geographical locations have the same name, the name of the administrative county has been included in brackets after the district name. This is to aid users in being able to correctly identify the district selected.

For some tables the districts included may be limited to Urban or Rural Districts over a certain population size (usually 50,000 or 20,000), along with County Boroughs and Metropolitan Boroughs. A corresponding table with less detailed variable classifications includes Urban and Rural Districts with populations under that size.

Tables

County Reports Table 3 - Acreage, population, private households, and dwellings

Description of Table

Shows population by sex and population density and a population count from 1921 for comparison. Also tabulated are the number of private families and the population therein; a count of structurally separate dwellings occupied by private families, including the number of rooms occupied; and number of persons per room.

Population

Persons present on census night; Persons in private households.

Additional Information

DEFINITIONS:

PRIVATE FAMILY Any person or group of persons included in a separate return as being in separate occupation of any premises or part of premises is treated as a separate family for Census purposes, lodgers being so treated only when returned as boarding separately and not otherwise. Private families comprise all such families with the exception of those enumerated in (i) Institutions or (ii) business establishments or boarding-houses in which the number of resident trade assistants or resident boarders exceeds the number of members of the employer's or householder's family (including private domestic servants).

STRUCTURALLY SEPARATE DWELLINGS A structurally separate dwelling has been defined for the Census as any room or set of rooms, intended or used for habitation, having separate access either to the street or a common landing or staircase. Thus each flat in a block of flats is a separate unit; a private house which has not been structurally subdivided is similarly a single unit whether occupied by one family or several families. But where a private house has been subdivided into maisonettes or portions, each having its front door opening on to the street or on to a common landing or staircase to which visitors have access, then each such portion is treated as a separate unit.

ROOMS For the purpose of the Census the rooms enumerated are the usual living rooms, including bedrooms and kitchens but excluding sculleries, landings, lobbies, closets, bathrooms, or any warehouse, office or shop rooms.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs
- Urban districts
- Rural districts

Civil parishes and ward data were also produced in the printed County Reports and will be made available on Nomis in a future release.

Variables

Acreage; Total Population; Private Families and Dwellings

Classifications

The following variable classifications are available:

Acreage (land and inland water)

Total population – 1921 – Persons

Total population – 1931 – Persons

Total population – 1931 – Males

Total population – 1931 – Females

Total population – 1931 – Persons per acre

Private families and dwellings – Private families

Private families and dwellings – Population in private families

Private families and dwellings – Structurally separate dwellings occupied

Private families and dwellings – Rooms occupied

Private families and dwellings – Persons per room

County Reports Table 11 - Private families classified by size of family, rooms occupied and density of occupation

Description of Table

Shows private families by the size of family and rooms occupied, the population in private families, and the density of occupation, including average number of persons per room. The table also includes for some areas a comparison with 1921 of the percentage of families living within the specified number of rooms.

Population

Persons in household.

Additional Information

A header note is included with the table:

“The following table contains an analysis of the private families within each area according to

- (a) the number of persons in the family, and
- (b) the number of rooms occupied by the family.

When more than one family is enumerated within a structurally separate dwelling, each is classified according to the rooms it severally occupies and not to the total number of rooms in the dwelling. If, as occasionally happens, one of the rooms is shared by two families (the allotment to each family being say $4\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{1}{2}$ in an 8-roomed dwelling) the families are classified to the next higher integral number of rooms (5 and 4 respectively) but in arriving at the totals (column (m) etc.) the actual figures ($4\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{1}{2}$) have been used. For definitions of "Private Family", "Structurally Separate Dwelling", and "Rooms", see note at heading of Table 3.”

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs
- Urban districts
- Rural districts

Variables

Number of Persons in Family; Number of Private Families occupying the following Number of Rooms; Total Private Families; Population in Private Families; Rooms occupied; Density of Occupation

Classifications

The following variable classifications are available:

Number of persons in family: 1
Number of persons in family: 2
Number of persons in family: 3
Number of persons in family: 4
Number of persons in family: 5
Number of persons in family: 6
Number of persons in family: 7
Number of persons in family: 8
Number of persons in family: 9
Number of persons in family: 10
Number of persons in family: 11
Number of persons in family: 12

Number of persons in family: 13
Number of persons in family: 14
Number of persons in family: 15 and over
Number of persons in family: Total private families
Number of persons in family: Population in private families
Number of persons in family: Rooms occupied

Percentage of families living in various units of occupation (1921 Census);
Percentage of families living in various units of occupation (1931 Census).
Note: Not all areas have these rows (some have one, some two, some none).

Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 1
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 2
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 3
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 4
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 5
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 6-7*
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 8-9*
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 10 and over.*

Density of occupation: Average number of persons per room
Density of occupation: Population at following densities of occupation (persons per room): over 3.
Density of occupation: Population at following densities of occupation (persons per room): 3 and over 2.
Density of occupation: Population at following densities of occupation (persons per room): 2 and over 1½
Density of occupation: Population at following densities of occupation (persons per room): 1½ and over 1.

For administrative counties only:

Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 6
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 7
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 8
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 9
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 10
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 11
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 12
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 13
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 14
Number of private families occupying the following number of rooms: 15 and over

County Reports Table 13 - Institutions and Special Premises: Number, Total Population and Inmates

Description of Table

Shows number of institutions and the persons living within them by institution type, sex, and whether an inmate of said institution.

Population

Persons present in institutions on census night.

Additional Information

The differentiation of total population and inmates applies only to institution classes 1-12 (see Classifications section for details).

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs
- Urban districts
- Rural districts

Variables

Institutions; Number of institutions; Total population; Inmates only (classes 1-12)

Classifications

The following institution classifications are available:

All categories: Institutions

- 1 Workhouses
- 2 Other Poor Law Institutions
- 3 Homes for Insane, etc.
- 4 Homes for Cripples
- 5 Homes for Blind
- 6 Homes for Deaf and Dumb
- 7 Homes for Inebriates
- 8 Hospitals (not Military etc.).
- 9 Convalescent and Nursing Homes
- 10 Prisons
- 11 Other Places of Detention (Police Stations, Reformatories, etc.).
- 12 Naval, Military, etc., Hospitals

- 13 Naval, Military, etc., Barracks, etc.
- 14 Naval Ships
- 16 Other Ships
- 17 Inland Barges and Boats
- 18 Barns, Sheds, etc. (including Vagrants)

The following variable classifications are available:

Number of Institutions

Total population – Persons

Total population – Males

Total population – Females

Inmates only (classes 1-12) – Persons

Inmates only – Males

Inmates only – Females

County Reports Table 14 - Ages (Grouped) by Marital Condition

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of five-year age bands by sex and marital status.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs (with population over 50,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 50,000 only)

Variables

Age; Persons; Sex; Marital Status

Classifications

The following age classifications are available:

All Ages

0 - 4

- 5 - 9
- 10 - 14
- 15 - 19
- 20 - 24
- 25 - 29
- 30 - 34
- 35 - 39
- 40 - 44
- 45 - 49
- 50 - 54
- 55 - 59
- 60 - 64
- 65 - 69
- 70 - 74
- 75 - 79
- 80 - 84
- 85 - 89
- 90 - 94
- 95 and over

The following variable classifications are available:

Persons

- Males - Total
- Males - Single
- Males - Married
- Males - Widowed
- Males - Divorced

- Females - Total
- Females - Single
- Females - Married
- Females - Widowed
- Females - Divorced

County Reports Table 15 - Ages (grouped) and Marital Conditions

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of marital condition and a tabulation of five-year age bands by sex and married persons.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Municipal boroughs (with population over 20,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 20,000 only)
- Rural districts (with population over 20,000 only)

Variables

Age; Sex; Marital condition

Classifications

The following marital condition classifications are available:

Total

Single
Married
Widowed
Divorced

The following age classifications are available:

Total

0 to 4
5 to 9
10 to 14
15 to 19
20 to 24
25 to 29
30 to 34
35 to 39
40 to 44
45 to 49
50 to 54
55 to 59
60 to 64
65 to 69
70 to 74
75 to 79
80 to 84
85 to 89
90 to 94
95 and over

The following variable classifications are available:

Total population - Males
Total population - Females
Married only – Males
Married only – Females

County Reports Table 17 – Language Spoken

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of language spoken (English and/or Welsh) by age and sex.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Geographical Coverage

Wales (including Monmouthshire)

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- Municipal boroughs (with population over 20,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 20,000 only)
- Rural districts (with population over 20,000 only)

Variables

Age; Total Population; Language Spoken

Classifications

The following Age classifications are available:

All Ages

0-2

3 and over

3-4

5-9

10-14

15-24

25-44

45-64

65 and over

The following variable classifications are available:

Total Population – Persons

Total Population – Males
Total Population – Females

Language Spoken – Welsh only – Persons
Language Spoken – Welsh only – Males
Language Spoken – Welsh only – Females

Language Spoken – Both English and Welsh – Persons
Language Spoken – Both English and Welsh – Males
Language Spoken – Both English and Welsh – Females

County Reports Table 18 – Language Spoken (Persons aged 3 and over)

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of language spoken (English and/or Welsh) by sex.

Population

Persons aged 3 years and over

Geographical Coverage

Wales (including Monmouthshire)

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Municipal boroughs (with population over 20,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 20,000 only)
- Rural districts (with population over 20,000 only)

Variables

Total Population aged 3 and over; Language Spoken

Classifications

The following variable classifications are available:

Total Population Aged 3 and over – Males
Total Population Aged 3 and over – Females

Language spoken – Welsh only – Males
Language spoken – Welsh only – Females
Language spoken – Both English and Welsh – Males
Language spoken – Both English and Welsh – Females

County Reports Table 13 - Institutions and Special Premises: Number, Total Population and Inmates

Description of Table

Shows number of institutions and the persons living within them by institution type, sex, and whether an inmate of said institution.

Population

Persons present in institutions on census night.

Additional Information

The differentiation of total population and inmates applies only to institution classes 1-12 (see [Classifications](#) section for details).

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs
- Urban districts
- Rural districts

Variables

Institutions; Number of institutions; Total population; Inmates only (classes 1-12)

Classifications

The following institution classifications are available:

All categories: Institutions

- 1 Workhouses
- 2 Other Poor Law Institutions
- 3 Homes for Insane, etc.
- 4 Homes for Cripples
- 5 Homes for Blind
- 6 Homes for Deaf and Dumb
- 7 Homes for Inebriates
- 8 Hospitals (not Military etc.).
- 9 Convalescent and Nursing Homes
- 10 Prisons
- 11 Other Places of Detention (Police Stations, Reformatories, etc.).
- 12 Naval, Military, etc., Hospitals
- 13 Naval, Military, etc., Barracks, etc.

- 14 Naval Ships
- 16 Other Ships
- 17 Inland Barges and Boats
- 18 Barns, Sheds, etc. (including Vagrants)

The following variable classifications are available:

Number of Institutions

Total population – Persons

Total population – Males

Total population – Females

Inmates only (classes 1-12) – Persons

Inmates only – Males

Inmates only – Females

County Reports Table 14 - Ages (Grouped) by Marital Condition

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of five-year age bands by sex and marital status.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs (with population over 50,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 50,000 only)

Variables

Age; Persons; Sex; Marital Status

Classifications

The following age classifications are available:

All Ages

0 - 4

5 - 9

10 - 14

15 - 19
20 - 24
25 - 29
30 - 34
35 - 39
40 - 44
45 - 49
50 - 54
55 - 59
60 - 64
65 - 69
70 - 74
75 - 79
80 - 84
85 - 89
90 - 94
95 and over

The following variable classifications are available:

Persons

Males - Total

Males - Single

Males - Married

Males - Widowed

Males – Divorced

Females - Total

Females - Single

Females - Married

Females - Widowed

Females - Divorced

General Table 1 - Population (by sex) and Intercensal Changes, 1801-1931

Description of Table

Shows census population and intercensal change from 1801 to 1931.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Additional Information

Note – The population at each Census 1801 to 1831 is exclusive of the Army, Royal Navy, and Merchant Service at home and abroad; for 1841 the population includes

the Army at home, men on shore belonging to the Royal Navy or to the Merchant Service and, in a few cases, persons on board vessels in harbours; the population at each Census 1851 to 1931 includes the Army at home, men on shore belonging to the Royal Navy or to the Merchant Service, and for 1851-1921 all persons on board vessels in port on Census night or arriving the following day. In 1921 and 1931 the Air Force at home is also included. For 1931 the figures include persons enumerated on board vessels which were at Census mid-night in port or at moorings or anchorage in England and Wales, or were engaged in a coastwise or fishing voyage.

The table is marked with the following footnotes:

* In computing the decennial rate of increase the varying lengths of the intercensal periods have been taken in to account, and the rates for the periods 1831-1841 and 1841-1851 have been further corrected by the exclusion of the Army, Navy, and Merchant Service from the population for 1841, and of the persons on board vessels from the population for 1851.

† In computing the proportion of females to males 1801-1831, the following estimate of the numbers of men in the Army, Navy and Merchant Service at home has been adopted:-

Year.	1801.	1811.	1821.	1831.
Estimated Number of males	131,818	145,137	87,740	78,968

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country Grouping

Variables

Date of Enumeration; Population; Increase of Population since the preceding Census; Decennial Increase per cent. of Population; No. of Females to 1000 Males

Classifications

The following date of enumeration classifications are available:

General Table 18 – Ages and Marital Conditions (Individual Years)

Description of Table

Shows marital status by single year of age and sex.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country Grouping

Variables

Age; Sex; Marital Status

Classifications

The following age classifications are available:

All Ages

0 - 4

5 - 9

10 - 14

15 - 19

20 - 24

25 - 29

30 - 34

35 - 39

40 - 44

45 - 49

50 - 54

55 - 59

60 - 64

65 - 69

70 - 74

75 - 79

80 - 84

85 - 89

90 - 94

95 - 99

100 and over

Single year of age 0 - 99

The following variable classifications are available:

Persons

Males - Total

Males - Single

Males - Married

Males - Widowed

Males - Divorced

Females - Total

Females - Single

Females - Married
Females - Widowed
Females - Divorced

General Table 21 - Ages (Grouped) and Marital Conditions at Successive Censuses

Description of Table

Shows marital status by age and sex from 1851 to 1931.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Additional Information

* Subsequent to the taking of the Census of 1891 it was found that in filling up the new type of enumeration book introduced at that Census certain enumerators had shown a tendency to insert a proportion of entries relating to ages of males in the column of the book appropriate to ages of females. In the above Table the figures in respect of sex and age distribution for 1891 have been adjusted with a view to counteracting the effect of this error.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country Grouping

Variables

Year of Census; Age; Sex; Marital Status

Classifications

The following year of census classifications are available:

1851
1861
1871
1881
1891*
1901
1911
1921
1931

The following variable classifications are available:

Males

Males – All Ages – Single
Males – All Ages – Married
Males – All Ages – Widowed
Males – 0-14 – Single
Males – 15-19 – Single
Males – 15-19 – Married
Males – 15-19 – Widowed
Males – 20-24 – Single
Males – 20-24 – Married
Males – 20-24 – Widowed
Males – 25-34 – Single
Males – 25-34 – Married
Males – 25-34 – Widowed
Males – 35-44 – Single
Males – 35-44 – Married
Males – 35-44 – Widowed
Males – 45-54 – Single
Males – 45-54 – Married
Males – 45-54 – Widowed
Males – 55-64 – Single
Males – 55-64 – Married
Males – 55-64 – Widowed
Males – 65-74 – Single
Males – 65-74 – Married
Males – 65-74 – Widowed
Males – 75-84 – Single
Males – 75-84 – Married
Males – 75-84 – Widowed
Males – 85 and over – Single
Males – 85 and over – Married
Males – 85 and over – Widowed

Females

Females – All Ages – Single
Females – All Ages – Married
Females – All Ages – Widowed
Females – 0-14 – Single
Females – 15-19 – Single
Females – 15-19 – Married
Females – 15-19 – Widowed
Females – 20-24 – Single
Females – 20-24 – Married
Females – 20-24 – Widowed
Females – 25-34 – Single
Females – 25-34 – Married
Females – 25-34 – Widowed

Females – 35-44 – Single
Females – 35-44 – Married
Females – 35-44 – Widowed
Females – 45-54 – Single
Females – 45-54 – Married
Females – 45-54 – Widowed
Females – 55-64 – Single
Females – 55-64 – Married
Females – 55-64 – Widowed
Females – 65-74 – Single
Females – 65-74 – Married
Females – 65-74 – Widowed
Females – 75-84 – Single
Females – 75-84 – Married
Females – 75-84 – Widowed
Females – 85 and over – Single
Females – 85 and over – Married
Females – 85 and over – Widowed

Note: 1881 and 1891 have age classifications up to 65 and over.

General Table 30 – Birthplaces and Nationality

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of country of birth (with British Dominions, Colonies, etc. in more detail) by sex. Also shows nationality status of those who are foreign born, born at sea or of unstated birthplace.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Additional Information

The table is marked with the following footnote:

* Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, which were included with Russia at the Census of 1921, are in this table included under "Other Countries in Europe."

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs (with population over 50,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 50,000 only)

Variables

Sex; Country of birth; Nationality and Citizenship of Residents born outside the British Isles

Classifications

The following country of birth classifications are available:

Total

British Islands

- England – County of Enumeration
- England – Elsewhere in England except Monmouthshire
- Wales – County of Enumeration
- Wales – Elsewhere in Wales and Monmouthshire
- Scotland
- Ireland – Northern Ireland
- Ireland – Irish Free State
- Ireland – Part not Stated
- Isle of Man
- Channel Islands

Dominions, Colonies, etc.

- Residents
- Visitors

Europe

- Gibraltar
- Malta
- Cyprus

Asia

- Indian Empire
- Ceylon
- Malaya
- Other Colonies in Asia

Africa

- Union of South Africa
- Other Colonies in Africa

America

- Canada
- Newfoundland
- West Indies
- Other Colonies in America

Australasia

Australia

New Zealand

Other Colonies in Australasia

Foreign Countries, at Sea, or Unstated

Residents

Visitors

Foreign Countries

Europe

Austria

Belgium

Czecho-Slovakia

Denmark

Finland

France

Germany

Greece

Hungary

Italy

Jugo-Slavia

Netherlands

Norway

Poland

Portugal

Roumania

*Russia

Spain

Sweden

Switzerland

Turkey

*Other Countries in Europe

Asia:

China

Japan

Other Countries in Asia

Africa

Egypt

Other Countries in Africa

America

United States

Argentine

Brazil

Chile
Mexico
Other Countries in America
Australasia
Born at Sea
Birthplace not stated

The following nationality of foreign born, born at sea, or of unstated birthplace are available:

British by birth
British by naturalisation
Aliens, including foreign born of unstated nationality
Neither nationality nor birthplace stated
Aliens, including foreign born of unstated nationality/neither nationality nor birthplace stated

The following variable classifications are available:

Persons
Males
Females

General Table 31 – Foreign Born Population by Country of Birth and Nationality, distinguishing Residents and Visitors

Description of Table

Shows residents and visitors born outside the UK by country of birth and nationality.

Population

Persons born outside the United Kingdom

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

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- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs (with population over 50,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 50,000 only)

Variables

Country of Birth; Residents; Visitors; Total Persons; British Subjects by Birth; British Subjects by Naturalization; Alien Nationality; Nationality not stated

Classifications

The following country of birth classifications are available:

All foreign countries and at sea – Residents

All foreign countries and at sea – Visitors

Europe

- Austria
- Belgium
- Czecho-Slovakia
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Italy
- Jugo-Slavia
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Roumania
- *Russia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- Other European Countries

Asia:

- China
- Japan
- Other Asiatic Countries

Africa

- Egypt
- Other African Countries

America

- USA
- Argentine
- Brazil
- Chile
- Mexico
- Other American Countries

Australasia

At Sea

The following variable classifications are available:

Residents
Visitors
Total persons
British subjects by birth – Males
British subjects by birth – Females
British subjects by naturalisation – Males
British subjects by naturalisation – Females
Alien nationality – Males
Alien nationality – Females
Nationality not stated – Those with nationalities not corresponding to their country of birth (included in previous cols.) – Males
Nationality not stated – Those with nationalities not corresponding to their country of birth (included in previous cols.) – Females

Housing Table 12 – Incidence of Overcrowding in Private Families

Description of Table

Shows total number and number per 1,000 of private families at different densities (persons per room). Number per 1,000 of private families at different densities is also shown for 1921.

Population

Persons in private families.

Additional Information

The table is marked with the following header notes:

- (1) For general explanatory notes see page 2.
- (2) Where an asterisk has been inserted figures are not available.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country grouping
- Region
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- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs

Variables

Number of private families at following densities (persons per room); Number per 1,000 private families at following densities (persons per room)

Classifications

The following persons per room classifications are available:

More than 3

More than 2 but not more than 3

More than 1½ but not more than 2

More than 1 but not more than 1½

Housing Table 13 – Incidence of Overcrowding in Population

Description of Table

Shows total number of persons in private families and number per 1,000 of persons in private families at different densities (persons per room). Number per 1,000 of persons in private families at different densities is also shown for 1921.

Population

Persons in private families

Additional Information

The table is marked with the following header notes:

- (1) For general explanatory notes see page 2.
- (2) Where an asterisk has been inserted figures are not available.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country grouping
- Region
- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs

Variables

Population in private families at following densities (Persons per room); Number per 1,000 population in private families at following densities (Persons per room) (1931); Number per 1,000 population in private families at following densities (Persons per room) (1921)

Classifications

The following persons per room classifications are available:

More than 3

More than 2 but not more than 3

More than 1½ but not more than 2

More than 1 but not more than 1½

Industry Table 2 – Industries. (Full List). Males and Females aged 14 years and over, exclusive of "Out of Work"

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation by sex of economic activity and industry for those aged 14 and over.

Population

Persons present on census night

Additional Information

The following header note is included with the table:

“i) The areal classification is by each person's area of enumeration and not necessarily, therefore, by area of business.”

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs (with population over 50,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 50,000 only)

Variables

Sex; Industry

Classifications

The following variable classifications are available:

Sex: Males

Sex: Females

Industry: Total population – All ages

Aged 14 years and over: Total population

Aged 14 years and over: Unoccupied and retired

Aged 14 years and over: Out of work (excluded from Industry classification)

Aged 14 years and over: Total in industries (excluding persons out of work)

Orders, Sub-Orders and Codes of the Census 1931 Classification of Industries

Occupation Table 2 – Occupations of All Males analysed by Age Groups

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of economic activity and occupation by age groups for males.

Population

Males present on census night

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country Grouping

Variables

Age; Occupation

Classifications

The following age classifications are available:

14 years old or more

14-15 years old

16-17 years old

18-20 years old

21-24 years old

25-29 years old

30-34 years old

35-44 years old

45-54 years old

55-59 years old

60-64 years old

65-69 years old

70-74 years old

75 years old or more

The following variable classifications are available:

Occupation: Total males

Occupation: Under 14 years of age

Occupation: Aged 14 years and over

Occupation: I-XXXI. Total occupied aged 14 years and over

Occupation: XXXII. Total unoccupied and retired aged 14 years and over

Orders, Sub-Orders and Codes of the Census 1931 Classification of Occupations

Occupation Table 3 – Occupations of All Females analysed by Age Groups

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation of economic activity and occupation by age groups for females.

Population

Females present on census night

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country Grouping

Variables

Age; Occupation

Classifications

The following age classifications are available:

14 years old or more

14-15 years old

16-17 years old

18-20 years old

21-24 years old

25-29 years old

30-34 years old

35-44 years old

45-54 years old

55-59 years old

60-64 years old

65-69 years old

70-74 years old

75 years old or more

The following variable classifications are available:

Occupation: Total females

Occupation: Under 14 years of age

Occupation: Aged 14 years and over

Occupation: I-XXXI. Total occupied aged 14 years and over

Occupation: XXXII. Total unoccupied and retired aged 14 years and over

Orders, Sub-Orders and Codes of the Census 1931 Classification of Occupations

Occupation Table 16 – Occupations of Males and Females aged 14 years and over showing also the Total "Operatives" and the total "Out of Work"

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation by sex of economic activity and occupation for those aged 14 and over.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Country grouping
- Region
- Administrative county (with county borough where applicable)
- County borough
- County corporate
- Metropolitan boroughs
- Municipal boroughs (with population over 50,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population over 50,000 only)

Variables

Sex; Occupation

Classifications

The following sex classifications are available:

Male

Female

The following variable classifications are available:

Total population

Under 14 years of age

Aged 14 years and over

Operatives (in work): Number

Operatives (in work): Per cent. Of Occupied (I-XXXI)

Out of work (all classes): Number

Out of work (all classes): Per cent. Of Occupied (I-XXXI)

1-XXXI. Occupied 14 years and over.

XXXII. Unoccupied and Retired 14 years and over

Orders, Sub-Orders and Codes of the Census 1931 Classification of Occupations

Occupation Table 17 – Occupations (Condensed List) of Males and Females aged 14 years and over showing also the Total "Operatives" and the total "Out of Work"

Description of Table

Provides a tabulation by sex of economic activity and occupation (condensed list) for those aged 14 and over.

Population

Persons present on census night.

Geographical Coverage

England and Wales

The following types of 1931 geography are available on Nomis:

- Municipal boroughs (with population under 50,000 only)
- Urban districts (with population under 50,000 only)
- Rural districts

Variables

Sex; Occupation

Classifications

The following variable classifications are available:

Males – Total, all ages

Males – Total, aged 14 years and over

Males – 1-XXXI. Occupied 14 years and over.

Males – Operatives (in work)

Males – Out of work (all classes)

Males – XXXII. Unoccupied and Retired 14 years and over

Males – Condensed List of the Census 1931 Classification of Occupations

Females – Total, all ages

Females – Total, aged 14 years and over

Females – 1-XXXI. Occupied 14 years and over.

Females – Operatives (in work)

Females – Out of work (all classes)

Females – XXXII. Unoccupied and Retired 14 years and over

Females – Condensed List of the Census 1931 Classification of Occupations