

# LC2107EW - Religion by sex by age

## Overview

Table population All usual residents

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## Dataset metadata

This dataset provides 2011 Census estimates that classify usual residents in England and Wales by religion, by sex and by age. The estimates are as at census day, 27 March 2011.

The statistics help in developing and monitoring policy aimed at assessing the needs of population groups whose experiences of public services and social interaction, for example employment and education, may be different to those in other groups. This information is used to plan services and target resources, and allows public authorities to assess and tackle discrimination and social exclusion associated with religion.

### Statistical Disclosure Control

In order to protect against disclosure of personal information from the 2011 Census, there has been swapping of records in the Census database between different geographic areas, and so some counts will be affected. In the main, the greatest effects will be at the lowest geographies, since the record swapping is targeted towards those households with unusual characteristics in small areas.

More details on the ONS Census disclosure control strategy may be found on the [Statistical Disclosure Control](#) page on the ONS web site.

## Variables

### geography

The following types of geography are available:

NHS area teams, clinical commissioning groups, built-up areas including subdivisions, built-up areas, counties, met counties and inner/outer London, national assembly for Wales electoral regions 2010, postcode areas, postcode districts, postcode sectors, national assembly for Wales constituencies 2010, parishes 2011, 2011 local health boards, 2011 wards, 2011 super output areas - middle layer, 2011 super output areas - lower layer, 2011 output areas, local enterprise partnerships (as of April 2017), parliamentary constituencies 2010, former metropolitan counties, local authorities: county / unitary (prior to April 2015), local authorities: district / unitary (prior to April 2015), regions, countries

### Sex

Sex is the classification of a person as either male or female.

The following Sex are available:

- | All persons
- | Males
- | Females

## Age

Age is derived from the date of birth question and is a person's age at their last birthday, at 27 March 2011. Dates of birth that imply an age over 115 are treated as invalid and the person's age is imputed. Infants less than one year old are classified as 0 years of age.

The following Age are available:

- | All categories: Age
- | Age 0 to 15
- | Age 16 to 24
- | Age 25 to 34
- | Age 35 to 49
- | Age 50 to 64
- | Age 65 to 74
- | Age 75 and over

## Religion

The voluntary question on religion in the 2011 Census was intended to capture people's religious affiliation and identification at the time of the Census irrespective of whether they practised or believed in that religion or how important it was in their lives. If a person had no religion then the first of a series of tick boxes could be selected. Care should be taken when using these data not to infer, or allow the inference by others, that the practice of a religion or specific religious activities that are expected of believers has been measured. Unlike other census questions where missing answers are imputed, this question was voluntary, and where no answer was provided the response is categorised as 'not stated'.

Due to an error in the processing of census data, the number of usual residents in the 'Religion not stated' category has been overestimated by a total of 62,000 for three local authorities: Camden, Islington and Tower Hamlets. More information from the [Census issues and corrections](#) page.

The following Religion are available:

- | All categories: Religion
- | Christian
- | Buddhist
- | Hindu
- | Jewish
- | Muslim
- | Sikh
- | Other religion
- | No religion
- | Religion not stated