

About this publication	Description
Publication title	Life Expectancy for Administrative Areas within Scotland, 2006 - 2008
Description	Annual publications of life expectancy statistics for administrative (council and NHS board) areas within Scotland, by age and sex.
Theme	Population and Migration
Topic	Life Expectancy
Format	Excel workbooks, CSV files and PDF files
Data source(s)	Life Expectancy for administrative areas: Deaths from the civil registration system and The General Registrar's Mid-year population estimates.
Date that data is acquired	Data for Life Expectancy in administrative areas is collected in April/May
Publication Release date	24 September 2009
Frequency	Annual
Timeframe of data and timeliness	The estimates are based on the mortality probabilities indicated by the death records for the 3 years prior to the year of publication. For example, the 2006-2008 based estimates for administrative areas were published in August 2009, 3 months after the 2008 mid-year population estimates are released.
Continuity of data	Life Expectancy estimates for administrative areas are available back to 1981-83, however council and NHS board boundaries have changed during this time.
Revisions statement	<p>Life Expectancy in administrative areas are not subject to scheduled revision after the 2011 Census.</p> <p>Revisions and corrections to previously published statistics are dealt with in accordance with the Scottish Government Statistician Group corporate policy statement on revisions and corrections - a copy of which is available via the following link: http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/About/NatStats</p>
Concepts and definitions	<p>Further information on the Population Register for Scotland (PRS) Life Expectancy for Administrative Areas within Scotland, 2006-2008 can be found via the following link: www.rscotland.gov.uk/files/stats/area/life-expectancy-for-administrative-areas-within-scotland-2006-2008/j1114403.htm</p>
Relevance and key uses of the statistics	Used in the monitoring and investigating health inequality issues within Scotland, and in setting public health targets.

Accuracy	<p>Life expectancy at birth, like most statistics, is an estimate which is subject to a margin of error. The accuracy of the results can be indicated by calculating a confidence interval which provides a range of values within which the true underlying life expectancy would lie with 95% probability.</p> <p>Further information is available via the following link: http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files/stats/life-expectancy-for-administrative-areas-within-scotland-2006-2008/j1114404.htm</p>
Completeness:	Life Expectancy in administrative areas is presented in the form of an abridged life table, which means that estimates are available for grouped years instead of single year of age
Comparability	<p>Time-series comparisons are appropriate at council and NHS board level.</p> <p>Because of the differences between complete (single year of age) and abridged (grouped years) life tables, abridged life tables for Scotland are calculated and presented alongside the sub-national estimates for use as a comparator.</p>
Accessibility	It is the policy of PRS to make its website and products accessible according to published guidelines. More information is available at: www.nrscotland.gov.uk/accessibility
Coherence and clarity	<p>The statistics are provided in Excel, PDF and CSV formats. They are designed to be consistent and incorporate comparable historical data where appropriate.</p> <p>Definitions of notations used within the life tables are given in footnotes.</p>
Value type and unit of measure	Estimated (speculative) lifespan in years.
Official Statistics designation	Life Expectancy for administrative areas are National Statistics (legacy designation, awaiting assessment by UK Statistics Authority)
UK Statistics Authority Assessment	Awaiting assessment by UK Statistics Authority.
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