

| About this publication | Description |
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| Publication title | Life Expectancy in Scottish Council areas split by deprivation, 2011-2015 |
| Description | Publication of life expectancy at birth estimates for the 15 per cent most deprived part of each Scottish Council and the 85 per cent least deprived part. |
| Theme | Population and Migration |
| Topic | Life Expectancy |
| Format | Excel workbooks, Comma Separated Value (CSV) or Adobe Acrobat Portable Document Format (PDF) files. |
| Data source(s) | Deaths from the civil registration system. The Registrar General's small area population estimates. The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) 2016. |
| Date that data is acquired | September |
| Publication Release date | 28 March 2017 |
| Frequency | Annual |
| Timeframe of data and timeliness | The estimates are based on the mortality probabilities indicated by the death records for the 5 years prior to the year of publication. For example, the 2011-2015 estimates were published in March 2017. |
| Continuity of data | <p>Estimates from 2011-2015 are based on SIMD 2016 classification.</p> <p>Previous estimates from 2001-2005 are based on SIMD 2012 classification.</p> <p>In previous publications, life expectancy was calculated in age groups up to 85 years. The final age group was for people aged 85 years and older. From the 2011-2015 publication, we have moved the final age group to include people aged 90 years and older. This improves the estimates and is in line with changes by the Office for National Statistics (ONS).</p> |
| Revisions statement | <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 on the Scottish Government website.</p> <p>The estimates used in the 2011-2015 publication were calculated using corrected small area population estimates</p> |

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| | <p>for 2012, 2013 and 2014 which were published by NRS in April 2016.</p> <p>Previously published estimates were revised to use revised small area population estimates based on the 2011 Census.</p> <p>Revisions will also be carried out in accordance with the Revisions policy for population, migration and life events statistics available on the Office for National Statistics (ONS) website.</p> |
| Concepts and definitions | <p>Further information relating to this publication can be found within the Life Expectancy for Scotland: Methodology Guide on the NRS website.</p> |
| Relevance and key uses of the statistics | <p>For monitoring the inequality gap between those living in the most and least deprived parts of each of the Council areas with the aim of improving the measurement of local level outcomes in support of Single Outcome Agreements.</p> |
| Accuracy | <p>Life expectancy at birth is an estimate which is subject to a margin of error. The accuracy of the results can be indicated by calculating a confidence interval within which the true underlying life expectancy would be expected to lie. Further information can be found in the Life Expectancy for Scotland: Methodology Guide on The National Records of Scotland (NRS) website.</p> |
| Completeness: | <p>Estimates are only given for life expectancy at birth. Life expectancy at other ages is not available.</p> |
| Comparability | <p>Due to the nature of the statistics it is not appropriate to compare them from one year to the next.</p> <p>Comparison across Councils is problematic and should be avoided, as some Council areas are likely to contain a disproportionately higher number of Scotland's most deprived areas.</p> <p>Comparison within a Council can also be problematic, as using a relative measure of deprivation may not be appropriate for Council areas which have few areas which would be described as 'most deprived' within Scotland.</p> |
| Accessibility | <p>It is the policy of the National Records of Scotland (NRS) to make its website and products accessible according to published guidelines. More information is available in the Accessibility section of the NRS website.</p> |
| Coherence and clarity | <p>The statistics are provided in Excel, CSV and PDF formats. They are designed to be consistent, and incorporate comparable historical data where appropriate.</p> |

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| | Notations used within the tables and charts are given in footnotes. |
| Value type and unit of measure | Estimated (speculative) lifespan in years. |
| Official Statistics designation | These statistics were assessed by the UK Statistics Authority and are designated as National Statistics subject to meeting the requirements set out in the assessment report. |
| UK Statistics Authority Assessment | Assessed by UK Statistics Authority, report can be found within the UK Statistics Authority – Assessments section on the National Records of Scotland (NRS) website. |
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