

Figure 2 Census Day population estimates 1801 - 2011

Year	Population
1801	1,608,420
1811	1,805,864
1821	2,091,521
1831	2,364,386
1841	2,620,184
1851	2,888,742
1861	3,062,294
1871	3,360,018
1881	3,735,573
1891	4,025,647
1901	4,472,103
1911	4,760,904
1921	4,882,497
1931	4,842,980
1941 ⁽¹⁾	-
1951	5,096,415
1961	5,179,344
1971	5,228,960
1981	5,035,315
1991 ⁽²⁾	5,083,330
2001	5,062,011
2011 ⁽³⁾	5,295,000

Footnotes

1) There was no census in 1941 due to the Second World War.

2) Mid-year population estimates.

3) Figure rounded to nearest thousand.

Source: National Records of Scotland