**Scotland’s Census 2031 - Topics**

**Respondent Information Form**

**Please Note** this form must be completed and returned with your response.

To find out how we handle your personal data, please see our privacy policy: <https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/privacy/>

Are you responding as an individual or an organisation?

Individual

Organisation

Full name or organisation’s name

Phone number

Address

Postcode

Email Address

**Information for organisations:**

The option 'Publish response only (without name)’ is available for individual respondents only. If this option is selected, the organisation name will still be published.

If you choose the option 'Do not publish response', your organisation name may still be listed as having responded to the consultation in, for example, the analysis report.

National Records of Scotland would like your

permission to publish your consultation

response. Please indicate your publishing

preference:

Publish response with name

Publish response only (without name)

Do not publish response

We will share your response internally with NRS policy teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you but we require your permission to do so. Do you consent to NRS contacting you in relation to this consultation exercise?

Yes

No

**Questionnaire**

**Question 1**

Have you used any outputs from the 2022 Census?

Yes

No

If you answered “No” to this question, please skip to question 13.**Your use of the 2022 Census outputs**

These questions are about the topics from the 2022 Census and how you might use the outputs from those topics. For each topic area, please indicate whether or not you use outputs from this topic and if you do use the outputs, complete the additional information underneath.

**Question 2**

Ethnic group, national identity and religion

Yes, I currently use this data

No, I do not use this data

What do you use this topic information for? (Tick all that apply)

Allocating resources

Planning services

Delivering services

Targeting investment

Developing policies

Monitoring policy impact

Research

Equality monitoring

Other Purposes – please specify below

Please give detailed examples of how you use the outputs for this topic:

What benefits do these topic outputs create for you or your organisation? Please give detailed examples.

**Question 3**

UK armed forces veterans.

Yes, I currently use this data

No, I do not use this data

What do you use this topic information for? (Tick all that apply)

Allocating resources

Planning services

Delivering services

Targeting investment

Developing policies

Monitoring policy impact

Research

Equality Monitoring

Other Purposes – please specify below

Please give detailed examples of how you use the outputs for this topic:

What benefits do these topic outputs create for you or your organisation? Please give detailed examples.

**Question 4**

Sexual orientation and trans status or history.

Yes, I currently use this data

No, I do not use this data

What do you use this topic information for? (Tick all that apply)

Allocating resources

Planning services

Delivering services

Targeting investment

Developing policies

Monitoring policy impact

Research

Equality monitoring

Other Purposes – please specify below

Please give detailed examples of how you use the outputs for this topic:

What benefits do these topic outputs create for you or your organisation? Please give detailed examples.

**Question 5**

Demography and migration.

Yes, I currently use this data

No, I do not use this data

What do you use this topic information for? (Tick all that apply)

Allocating resources

Planning services

Delivering services

Targeting investment

Developing policies

Monitoring policy impact

Research

Equality monitoring

Other Purposes – please specify below

Please give detailed examples of how you use the outputs for this topic:

What benefits do these topic outputs create for you or your organisation? Please give detailed examples.

**Question 6**

Housing.

Yes, I currently use this data

No, I do not use this data

What do you use this topic information for? (Tick all that apply)

Allocating resources

Planning services

Delivering services

Targeting investment

Developing policies

Monitoring policy impact

Research

Equality monitoring

Other Purposes – please specify below

Please give detailed examples of how you use the outputs for this topic:

What benefits do these topic outputs create for you or your organisation? Please give detailed examples.

**Question 7**

Education, labour market and travel to work.

Yes, I currently use this data

No, I do not use this data

What do you use this topic information for? (Tick all that apply)

Allocating resources

Planning services

Delivering services

Targeting investment

Developing policies

Monitoring policy impact

Research

Equality Monitoring

Other Purposes – please specify below

Please give detailed examples of how you use the outputs for this topic:

What benefits do these topic outputs create for you or your organisation? Please give detailed examples.

**Question 8**

Health, disability and unpaid care.

Yes, I currently use this data.

No, I do not use this data.

What do you use this topic information for? (Tick all that apply)

Allocating resources

Planning services

Delivering services

Targeting investment

Developing policies

Monitoring policy impact

Research

Equality Monitoring

Other Purposes – please specify below

Please give detailed examples of how you use the outputs for this topic:

What benefits do these topic outputs create for you or your organisation? Please give detailed examples.

**Question 9**

At what geographical level do you use the 2022 Census outputs? (Tick all that apply)

All of Scotland

Local Authority

Census locality

Census settlement

Civil Parish

Data zone

Electoral ward

Health board area

Integration authority

Island group

National Park

Scottish parliamentary constituency

Scottish parliamentary region

UK Parliamentary constituency 2005

UK parliamentary constituency 2024

Output area

**Multivariate outputs**

Multivariate outputs refer to statistical tables, datasets, or analyses that present data on two or more census variables simultaneously for the same population group or geographical area. Instead of showing a single characteristic (like age or sex) in isolation, multivariate outputs allow users to examine the relationships between different characteristics. This provides a much richer and nuanced understanding of the population.

**Question 10**

What benefit do the multivariate outputs give you or your organisation? Please give a detailed answer.

**Question 11**

How important is it for you to be able to compare census outputs across the UK?

Very Important

Important

Moderately important

Slightly important

Not important

Please explain your answer or give more information.

**Question 12**

How important is the need for continuity with previous census outputs for your work?

Very Important

Important

Moderately important

Slightly important

Not important

Please explain your answer or give more information.

**Question 13**

Should the National Records of Scotland add topics to the 2031 Census that were not included in the 2022 Census?

Yes

No

**Question 14**

What additional topics should be included in the 2031 Census?

Please give us your views:

You are welcome to suggest topics that have not been considered in this paper. Please specify the topic and give detailed reasons why NRS should include this topic in the census.

**Question 15**

At what geographical level do you require this information? (Tick all that apply)

All of Scotland

Local Authority

Census locality

Census settlement

Civil Parish

Data zone

Electoral ward

Health board area

Integration authority

Island group

National Park

Scottish parliamentary constituency

Scottish parliamentary region

UK Parliamentary constituency 2005

UK parliamentary constituency 2024

Output area

**About you**

**What type of organisation do you represent?**

If responding on behalf of an organisation, please tell us more.

Local government

NHS board

Non-departmental public body or government agency

Scottish Government

UK Government

Other devolved government

Parliament

Media

Charity or third sector

Social enterprise

Genealogical or family historian

Academia

Individual member of the public

Private or commercial business

Other

**Further information about your organisation's response**

Organisations may use this space to provide additional context for their response. This could be information about, for example:

* any research your organisation undertook to inform the response
* any engagement with your members or audience undertaken to inform the response

This is optional.