

# Scotland's Census 2021

**Focus Group  
African Ethnic Groups  
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# Focus Group

Tea and Coffee (help yourself!)

Background –The Census and Ethnic Group in  
Scotland's Census

Question design and discussion

# What is Scotland's Census?

- **It's unique!** A survey of everyone in Scotland, every ten years
- Paints a picture of the characteristics of our population
- **2021**
- It's a huge exercise
- **We have one chance to get it right**

# The 2011 Census

Questions!

Scotland's Census 2011  
Shaping our future

Household Questionnaire HO  
27 March 2011

Official Use  
CD ED Line Number

If there is a **mistake** in the printed address, please write your correct address below

House name / number  
Street / Town / City  
Postcode

**Why the census matters**  
The census is the official count of every person and household in Scotland. It is held every 10 years and helps to plan our future public services.

Please fill in this questionnaire on, or around, Sunday 27 March. Please include everyone at this address. It shouldn't take long and you can fill it in online.

As a householder, you have a legal duty to fill in this questionnaire. If you don't, or if you supply false information, you may be fined up to £1,000.

Your personal information is protected by law and we will keep it confidential for 100 years.

Thank you for helping to shape Scotland's future.

*Duncan Macniven*  
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Registrar General for Scotland

**Need help?**  
[www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk)  
Helpline 0300 123 1702  
Textphone 18001 0300 123 1703

**Please fill in this questionnaire:**  
online at [www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk)

Enter the Internet Questionnaire Access Code:

You can fill in this questionnaire online in English or Gaelic.

Or  
Fill in this paper version and post it back using the pre-paid envelope provided.

**Declaration**  
I have filled in this questionnaire fully and accurately, as far as I know.

Signature:   
Date:

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# Users of the data

Wide variety of users:

- Councils (e.g. education, transport and equality monitoring)
- Health service
- Charity/ third sector
- Commercial / private sector
- Government
- Parliament
- Media
- Public



# Key design assumptions

- Our recommendations for Question Content will be made to Parliament later in 2018
- Census in March 2021
- **Primarily online**
- **Get first – high level - results out within a year**

# National Identity and Ethnic Group in Census

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# National Identity and Ethnic Group

- The [Topic Consultation Report](#) was published in 2016
- We held a [Topic Event](#) in April 2017
- We proposed to collect National Identity and Ethnic Group in 2021
- We are not planning large changes to these questions
- We are currently **reviewing elements of** the National Identity and Ethnic Group Question **content and design**



# Ethnic Group

- We have listened to the views of a range of stakeholders
- One particular requirement is to capture more detailed data about African ethnic groups:
  - Because different groups are of interest for health analysis and/or equality monitoring;
  - For consistency with the rest of the ethnic group question where countries are indicated

# 2011 Question

## 15 What is your ethnic group?

◆ Choose **ONE** section from A to F, then tick **ONE** box which **best describes** your ethnic group or background.

### A White

- Scottish
- Other British
- Irish
- Gypsy / Traveller
- Polish
- Other white ethnic group, please write in

### B Mixed or multiple ethnic groups

- Any mixed or multiple ethnic groups, please write in

### C Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British

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- Pakistani, Pakistani Scottish or Pakistani British
- Indian, Indian Scottish or Indian British
- Bangladeshi, Bangladeshi Scottish or Bangladeshi British
- Chinese, Chinese Scottish or Chinese British
- Other, please write in

### D African

- African, African Scottish or African British
- Other, please write in

### E Caribbean or Black

### E Caribbean or Black

- Caribbean, Caribbean Scottish or Caribbean British
- Black, Black Scottish or Black British
- Other, please write in

### F Other ethnic group

- Arab, Arab Scottish or Arab British
- Other, please write in

(appears on paper as one column)

# 2011 Data – Ethnic Group

	Scotland
<b>All people</b>	<b>5,295,403</b>
<b>White</b>	<b>5,084,407</b>
White Scottish	4,445,678
White Other British	417,109
Irish	54,090
Gypsy/ Traveller	4,212
Polish	61,201
Other White	102,117
<b>Mixed or multiple ethnic group</b>	<b>19,815</b>
<b>Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British</b>	<b>140,678</b>
Pakistani, Pakistani Scottish or Pakistani British	49,381
Indian, Indian Scottish or Indian British	32,706
Bangladeshi, Bangladeshi Scottish or Bangladeshi British	3,788
Chinese, Chinese Scottish or Chinese British	33,706
Other Asian	21,097
<b>African</b>	<b>29,638</b>
African, African Scottish or African British	29,186
Other African	452
<b>Caribbean or Black</b>	<b>6,540</b>
Caribbean, Caribbean Scottish or Caribbean British	3,430
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	2,380
Other Caribbean or Black	730
<b>Other ethnic group</b>	<b>14,325</b>
Arab, Arab Scottish or Arab British	9,366
Other ethnic group	4,959

# 2011 Data – Ethnic Group

<b>African</b>	<b>29,638</b>
<b>African, African Scottish or African British</b>	<b>29,186</b>
African	28,577
Nigerian	336
Scottish	20
Somali	238
Other <sup>4</sup>	15
<b>Other African</b>	<b>452</b>
Moroccan	34
Multi-ethnic islands	50
North African	292
Other Western European	56
Other <sup>4</sup>	20

# 2011 Data – Country of Birth

<b>Africa</b>	<b>46,742</b>
<b>North Africa</b>	<b>5,985</b>
Libya	1,327
Egypt	1,322
Algeria	895
Sudan	749
Morocco	530
Tunisia	267
North Africa (other) <sup>2,4</sup>	895
<b>Central and Western Africa</b>	<b>14,377</b>
Nigeria	9,458
Ghana	1,658
Congo	856
Cameroon	406
Sierra Leone	377
Gambia, The	370
Angola	314
Congo (Democratic Republic)	298
Ivory Coast	195
Guinea	74
Senegal	73

Liberia	71
St Helena	59
Togo	25
Cape Verde	20
Chad	20
Gabon	19
Benin	18
Guinea-Bissau	14
Sao Tome and Principe	14
Equatorial Guinea	13
Central and Western Africa (other) <sup>2</sup>	25

<b>South and Eastern Africa</b>	<b>26,380</b>
South Africa	10,607
Zimbabwe	4,666
Kenya	2,743
Zambia	1,637
Somalia	1,591
Uganda	986
Malawi	818
Tanzania	681
Mauritius	571
Eritrea	399
Botswana	337
Burundi	316
Ethiopia	258
Rwanda	215
Namibia	135
Swaziland	129
Mozambique	97
Seychelles	89
Lesotho	62
South and Eastern Africa (other) <sup>2</sup>	43

# Alternative Question Designs

## A) 2011 Question

### D African

- African, African Scottish or African British
- Other, please write in

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## B) Write in – no prompts

### D African, African Scottish or African British

- Any African ethnic group, please write in

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## C) Write in – with prompts

### D African, African Scottish or African British

- Any African ethnic group, please write in  
(for example, NIGERIAN, SOMALI)

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## D) Write in – combined categories

### D African or Caribbean

- Any African or Caribbean ethnic group,  
please write in (for example, NIGERIAN,  
SOMALI)

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# Thank you!

- Thank you very much for attending and participating
- Thank you for your feedback on census questions and terminology, information you provide to us helps us to inform question development for Scotland's Census 2021
- More information about the work we are doing can be found on our website [www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk)

# Annex



# 1991

## 11 Ethnic group

Please tick the appropriate box.

If the person is descended from more than one ethnic or racial group, please tick the group to which the person considers he/she belongs, or tick the 'Any other ethnic group' box and describe the person's ancestry in the space provided.

White  0  
 Black-Caribbean  1  
 Black-African  2  
 Black-Other   
*please describe*

  

Indian  3  
 Pakistani  4  
 Bangladeshi  5  
 Chinese  6  
 Any other ethnic group   
*please describe*

  

White  0  
 Black-Caribbean  1  
 Black-African  2  
 Black-Other   
*please describe*

  

Indian  3  
 Pakistani  4  
 Bangladeshi  5  
 Chinese  6  
 Any other ethnic group   
*please describe*

# Questions 2001

## Person 1 - continued

12 What is your country of birth?

- Scotland  
 England  
 Wales  
 Northern Ireland  
 Republic of Ireland  
 Elsewhere, please write in the present name of the country
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

13 What religion, religious denomination or body do you belong to?

- None  
 Church of Scotland  
 Roman Catholic  
 Other Christian, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Buddhist  
 Hindu  Jewish  
 Muslim  Sikh  
 Another Religion, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_

14 What religion, religious denomination or body were you brought up in?

- None  
 Church of Scotland  
 Roman Catholic  
 Other Christian, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Buddhist  
 Hindu  Jewish  
 Muslim  Sikh  
 Another Religion, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_

15 What is your ethnic group?

Choose ONE section from A to E, then ✓ the appropriate box to indicate your cultural background.

A White

- Scottish  
 Other British  
 Irish  
 Any other White background, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

B Mixed

- Any Mixed background, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

C Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British

- Indian  
 Pakistani  
 Bangladeshi  
 Chinese  
 Any other Asian background, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

D Black, Black Scottish or Black British

- Caribbean  
 African  
 Any other Black background, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

E Other ethnic background

- Any other background, please write in
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

16 Can you understand, speak, read, or write Scottish Gaelic?

- ✓ all the boxes that apply.
- Understand spoken Gaelic  
 Speak Gaelic  
 Read Gaelic  
 Write Gaelic  
 None of these

17 Do you look after, or give any help or support to family members, friends, neighbours or others because of:

- long-term physical or mental ill-health or disability, or
- problems related to old age?

Do not count anything you do as part of your paid employment.  
 ✓ time spent in a typical week.

- No  
 Yes, 1-19 hours a week  
 Yes, 20-49 hours a week  
 Yes, 50+ hours a week

18 If you are aged 16 to 74

Go to 19

If you are aged 15 and under, or 75 and over

Go to 35

19 Last week, were you doing any work:

- as an employee,
- as self-employed/freelance,
- in your own/family business, or
- on a Government sponsored training scheme?

✓ 'Yes' if you were away from work ill, on maternity leave, on holiday or temporarily laid off.

✓ 'Yes' for any paid work, including casual or temporary work, even if only for one hour.

✓ 'Yes' if you worked, paid or unpaid, in your own/family business.

- Yes Go to 25  
 No Go to 20

20 Were you actively looking for any kind of paid work during the last 4 weeks?

- Yes  No

Please turn over

# Ethnic Group Question 2001

## What is your ethnic group?

Choose ONE section from A to E, then [tick] the appropriate box to indicate your cultural background.

### A White

- Scottish
- Other British
- Irish
- Any other White background *please write in*

### B Mixed

- Any mixed background *please write in*

### C Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Chinese
- Any other Asian background *please write in*

### D Black, Black Scottish or Black British

- Caribbean
- African
- Any other Black background *please write in*

### E Other ethnic background

- Any other background

# Questions 2011

## Person 1 - Individual questions continued

**12** How do you usually travel to your main place of work or study (including school)?

◆ Tick one box only.

◆ Tick the box for the longest part, by distance, of your usual journey to work or study.

- Driving a car or van
- Passenger in a car or van
- On foot
- Bus, minibus or coach
- Train
- Underground, subway, metro, light rail or tram
- Taxi
- Bicycle
- Motorcycle, scooter or moped
- Other

**13** What religion, religious denomination or body do you belong to?

◆ This question is voluntary.

- None
- Church of Scotland
- Roman Catholic
- Other Christian, please write in below
- Muslim
- Buddhist
- Sikh
- Jewish
- Hindu
- Another religion or body, please write in

**14** What do you feel is your national identity?

◆ Tick ALL that apply.

- Scottish
- English
- Welsh
- Northern Irish
- British
- Other, please write in



**15** What is your ethnic group?

◆ Choose ONE section from A to F, then tick ONE box which best describes your ethnic group or background.

### A White

- Scottish
- Other British
- Irish
- Gypsy / Traveller
- Polish
- Other white ethnic group, please write in

### B Mixed or multiple ethnic groups

- Any mixed or multiple ethnic groups, please write in



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- Indian, Indian Scottish or Indian British
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- Arab, Arab Scottish or Arab British
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# National Identity and Ethnic Group Question 2011

## What do you feel is your national identity?

Tick ALL that apply

- Scottish
- English
- Welsh
- Northern Irish
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- Other, *please write in*

## What is your ethnic group?

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### A White

- Scottish
- Other British
- Irish
- Gypsy/Traveller
- Polish
- Any other White background *please write in*

### B Mixed or multiple ethnic groups

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### C Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British

Question continues

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### E Other ethnic group

- Arab, Arab Scottish or Arab British
- Any other background

