



## 2011 Census First Results for Camden

### Key Findings

#### Population

Total usual residents	220,300
in households	212,400
in communal establishments	7,900

#### Households

Total households	97,500
Average household size	2.18

#### Response rates

Households response rate	89%
Individual response rate	86%

#### Non-UK Short-term Residents

(not included above)

Non-UK Short-term residents	5,000
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Source: 2011 Census, © ONS, 2012

On 16 July 2011, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) published the *First Release* of data from the 2011 Census. This comprised *usual resident population* by age and sex for local authority areas, total households and an estimate of non-UK short-term population.

### Population usual resident definition

'Usual resident' is an internationally accepted definition to define population. For the 2011 Census: 'anyone who, on census day, was in the UK and had stayed or intended to stay in the UK for a period of 12 months or more, or had a permanent UK address and was outside the UK and intended to be outside the UK for less than 12 months'.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The census counted people as resident in Camden if they had or planned to live in the borough for 12 months or more. Students were counted at their term-time address. Students studying in London and resident in Camden were counted in the Camden population while students with family addresses in Camden but studying elsewhere were not counted in Camden's population but at their university address.

People who have moved to Camden but do not expect to stay for 12 months are not therefore considered *usual residents*<sup>2</sup>.

### Total population

In London, Camden ranks 23<sup>rd</sup> largest in population size. Of neighbouring boroughs: Barnet (356,400), Brent (311,200) and Haringey (254,900) are larger, while Westminster (219,400), Islington (206,100) and the City (7,400) are smaller.

The largest London boroughs are Croydon (363,400), Barnet (356,400) and Ealing (338,400). The smallest are City (7,400), Kensington & Chelsea (158,700) and Kingston upon Thames (160,100).

**Table 1. 2011 Census Population Estimates:  
Camden and similar sized local authorities**

Bexley	232,000
Barnsley	231,200
Trafford	226,600
Oldham	224,900
<b>Camden</b>	<b>220,300</b>
Westminster	219,400
Tameside	219,300
Northampton	212,100
Rochdale	211,700

Source: 2011 Census, © ONS, 2012

Camden comprises 2.7% of London's population of 8.173 million, but at 2,172 hectares accommodates 1.4% of the land area. Camden has the 8<sup>th</sup> highest population density in London (101 persons/ hectare). The most densely populated borough is Islington (139 persons/ hectare) and the least densely populated borough is Bromley (21 persons/ hectare).

### Sex and Age

The 2011 Census estimates show that Camden has more females (51%) than males (49%) - see Table 2 (below).

Males outnumber females in some age groups

<sup>2</sup> Also see *Non-UK short-term residents* section on p.3

(0-4, 10-14, 30-44 and 40-59) but females outnumber males in all other age groups, including all age groups over 60. Though somewhat pronounced in the 20-24 age group where there are 13% more women, the 60+ age group has 23% more women than men.

**Table 2. 2011 Census Population Estimates: Camden by Sex and Age Group**

	Males	Females	Persons
<b>Total</b>	<b>107,900</b>	<b>112,400</b>	<b>220,300</b>
0-4	6,800	6,300	13,200
5-9	5,400	5,500	10,900
10-14	4,900	4,700	9,600
15-19	6,000	6,500	12,500
20-24	10,300	11,600	21,800
25-29	12,500	13,400	25,900
30-34	12,300	12,100	24,400
35-39	9,500	9,600	19,200
40-44	8,100	7,900	16,000
45-49	6,700	6,600	13,200
50-54	5,700	5,300	11,000
55-59	4,700	4,600	9,400
60-64	4,400	4,800	9,300
65-69	3,400	3,900	7,300
70-74	2,600	3,000	5,600
75-79	2,000	2,500	4,400
80-84	1,500	2,000	3,500
85-89	700	1,300	2,000
90+	300	800	1,100

Source: 2011 Census, © ONS, 2012

**Children under 5:** The proportion of pre-school aged children in Camden (6%) is generally in proportion to the England & Wales average (6.2%) but smaller than that of Greater London (7.2%).

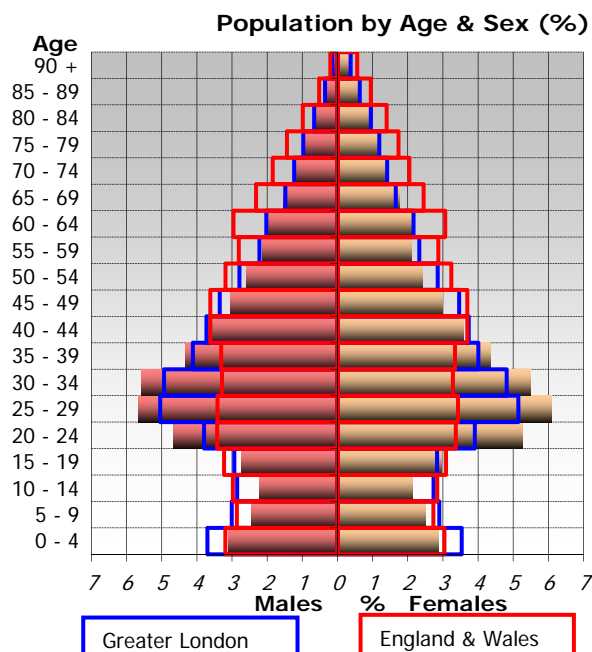
**Children 5-14:** The 'school-age' population (closest equivalent with 5 year age groups) is relatively small in Camden. Here the proportion of the Camden 'school-age' population is 9.3%, somewhat smaller than that of Greater London (11.5%) and for England & Wales (11.4%).

**Working age 15- 64:** The nearest equivalent to working age population is those aged 15-64. Camden has a large working-age population, accounting for nearly three quarters (73.9%) of the whole population, a higher proportion than Greater London (70.2%) or for England & Wales (65.9%). The population aged 20-39, particularly stands out in the age-structure 'pyramids' (Fig.1).

These ages account for 41.4% of the Camden population. In comparison, the proportion of 20-39 year olds in Greater London is 35.8%

and 26.9% for England and Wales. This confirms that Camden continues to exhibit its youthful nature, bolstered by migrants and the forever-young student population.

**Figure 1. 2011 Census Population Estimates: Camden by Sex and Age Groups compared with Greater London and England & Wales**



Source: 2011 Census, © ONS, 2012

**'Retirement age' (65+):** Retirement ages are changing, but for these purposes we assume this relates to people aged 65 and over. Camden has relatively few persons above retirement age (10.8%) compared with Greater London (11.1%) or UK (16.4%). The older retired population aged 75 and over comprises 5% of Camden's population, compared to 5.3% for Greater London and 7.8% in England & Wales.

### Population in Private Households and Communal Establishments

Usual residents are present in private households and communal establishments. The latter are defined as 'an establishment providing managed residential accommodation. "Managed" in this context means full-time or part-time supervision of the accommodation'. An example of this type of accommodation in Camden will include some traditional types of student halls of residence and nurse's accommodation, long-term residents in hotels, managed hostels and care homes.

The 2011 Census shows that the vast majority of the Camden population (212,400, 96.4%) live in private households; while 7,900 (3.6%) live in communal establishments.

Camden has the highest number and proportion of people living in communal establishments in London and ranks 24<sup>th</sup> highest local authority by proportion in England & Wales. Most of the places with high proportions of populations in communal establishments are university centres.

## Households

In Camden, the 2011 Census estimated 97,500 households that contained at least one usual resident. Camden accounts for 3% of the total 3.266 million households in Greater London.

## Average household size

Average household size in Camden is 2.18<sup>3</sup>. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> smallest average household size amongst London boroughs, after the City (1.64), Kensington & Chelsea (1.99), Westminster (2.02) and Islington (2.14). The largest average household sizes are found in Newham (3.01) and Harrow (2.81). Camden has a larger average household size now than it had in 2001 (2.06).

## Non-UK short-term residents

Non-UK short-term residents are people whose usual residence is outside the UK but who are resident between 3 and 12 months. This is the first time that this information has been collected by the census. They are people counted *in addition* to the usual resident population. Examples of non-UK short-term residents might include people who are living in Camden for a limited time - perhaps for work, or extended visits to family members (e.g. after the birth of a child).

The 2011 Census estimated that there were 5,000 non-UK short-term residents in Camden, the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest number in London after Westminster (6,900). Other boroughs with larger numbers of non-UK short-term residents were Tower Hamlets (4,200), Newham (4,000) and Kensington & Chelsea (3,800).

## 2001 Census to 2011 Census Changes

The natural thing to look at is change since the previous census in 2001. **However, due to adjustments to Camden and other areas populations in 2001, the comparison will not strictly be valid.** The best comparison *will* be to compare the 2011 Census-based mid-year estimate for 2011 that will be published in September 2012 compared this with the IMPS revised mid-year estimate for mid-2001 (202,600).

In order to provide indication of change over the decade comparisons here are made with the 2001 Census. Some of the change will be as a result of the undercount of the published 2001 Census statistics.

**Table 3. Inter-census Change 2001-2011**

Population	2001	2011	No.	%
Total usual residents	198,000	220,300	+22,300	11.3%
in households	188,724	212,400	+23,676	12.5%
in communal establishments	9,300	7,900	-1,400	-15.1%
<b>Households</b>				
Total households	91,600	97,500	+5,900	6.4%
Average household size	2.06	2.18	+0.12	5.8%
<b>Response rates</b>				
Households response rate	77%	89%	+12.1%	
Individual Response rate	75%	86%	+10.6%	

Source: 2001 and 2011 Censuses, © ONS, 2011

## Census Response Rates

The 2011 Census provides measures of quality in the form of response rates, i.e. the estimated proportion of people and households that responded to the census. Response rates to the 2001 Census were disappointing, with actual response in Camden just 75% for people and 77% for households.

The response rates in the 2011 Census for Camden are significantly better than in 2001: 89% for households and 86% for individuals, close to the London averages of 92% and 90% respectively; and compared with 95% and 93% respectively in England & Wales.

<sup>3</sup> Average household size is calculated as the number of usual residents in private households per occupied household.

## Comparing the 2011 Census with 2001 Census-based estimates and forecasts

The 10-yearly census is a benchmark and is used to re-base population estimates and projections. The 2011 Census-based mid-year estimate will be published in September 2012. However to give an idea of the accuracy of rolled forward estimates and forecasts, they are compared here with the 2011 Census estimate – see Figure 2 below.

**ONS mid-year estimate** series (solid red line with red triangles). The last published estimate in this series was for mid-2010 and estimated Camden's population at 235,400. This is 15,100 (6.9%) higher than the 2011 Census estimate.

**ONS unpublished revision to mid-year estimates 'Indicative Impacts'** (broken red line with white triangles) ONS used their latest revision to the mid-year estimates series to create a comparator for Census Day 2011. This shows a large overestimate when compared to the 2011 Census estimate, 17,700 (8%) higher.

**GLA 2011 round 'Camden Development' projections** (blue line, black cross) are calculated using information about planned development in Camden to provide a housing capacity-based projection. This shows an underestimate when compared with the 2011 Census of -6,800 (-3.1%).

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## Next release of data

The next set of 2011 Census data is set for release in November 2012, comprised of **Quick Statistics** and **Key Statistics** tables that describe the demographic statistics in more detail:

[http://www.camdendata.info/AddDocuments1/2011%20Census%20Output%20Schedule%20\(Mar%2012\).xls](http://www.camdendata.info/AddDocuments1/2011%20Census%20Output%20Schedule%20(Mar%2012).xls).

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Figure 2. Comparing Rolled-forward Estimates and Forecasts with 2011 Census Estimate

