



2011 Census – First Results for Shropshire

The Older Population of Shropshire

Population Aged 65 years and older

- The 2011 Census results show 63,400 people aged 65 years and over being resident in Shropshire. This is an increase of 23.8% between 2001 and 2011.
- In this age group Shropshire has experience significantly higher growth than England & Wales (10.9%) and the West Midlands (12.6%).
- In 2001, the 65 years and older population represented 18.1% of the total Shropshire population. This has now risen to 20.7% in 2011, compared to 16.4% for England and Wales.

Population Aged 65 years and older					Comparison 2001-2011		
	2001 Census	2011 Census	Change 2001-2011	% Change 2001-2011	England & Wales	England	West Midlands
Persons	51,192	63,400	12,208	23.8%	10.9%	10.9%	12.6%
Males	21,945	28,600	6,655	30.3%	17.2%	17.1%	18.9%
Females	29,247	34,700	5,453	18.6%	6.4%	6.4%	7.9%

Population Aged 85 years and older

- The 2011 Census results show 8,400 people aged 85 years and over as being resident in Shropshire. This is an increase of 35.3% between 2001 and 2011.
- In this age group Shropshire has experience significantly higher growth than England & Wales (23.9%) and the West Midlands region (30.0%).
- In 2001, the population aged 85 years and older represented 2.2% of the total Shropshire population. This has now risen to 2.7%, compared to 2.2% for England & Wales.

Population Aged 85 years and older					Comparison 2001-2011		
	2001 Census	2011 Census	Change 2001-2011	% Change 2001-2011	England & Wales	England	West Midlands
Persons	6,209	8,400	2,191	35.3%	23.9%	23.7%	30.0%
Males	1,784	2,800	1,016	57.0%	45.0%	44.7%	50.8%
Females	4,425	5,700	1,275	28.8%	15.8%	15.6%	22.0%

