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The Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) today released further results from the 2011 Census, which was held on 27 March 2011.

This fourth release (Local Characteristics) consists of a set of 126 tables, which show how Census topics interact with one another. Stemming largely from the Detailed Characteristics (the third release, published between May 2013 and November 2013), although with more of a focus on lower levels of geography, many of the statistics released today also correspond to the 2001 Census Area Statistics. The Local Characteristics tables are available for all administrative and statistical geographic levels, including Electoral Ward and Small Area (SA).

The information is available electronically through the [Northern Ireland Neighbourhood Information Service \(NINIS\) website](#).

The Census is widely acknowledged as playing a fundamental and unique role in the provision of comprehensive and robust population statistics. Census outputs are needed to inform policy, to plan services for specific groups of people and, especially, to make effective use of resources through distributing them to where they are needed most.

Key users of information from the Census include central and local government, academia, organisations undertaking research, the private, business and voluntary sectors and the general public.

NOTES FOR EDITORS

1. Today's publication of Local Characteristics marks the last of the four main releases from the 2011 Census. It will, however, be followed by additional products during the coming months. Further information about these is set out in the [Northern Ireland Census 2011 Output Prospectus](#), which will be regularly updated as the release programme proceeds.
2. Supporting papers on the 2011 Census are also available on the [NISRA website](#).
3. Information on the 2011 Census in England and Wales is available from the [Office for National Statistics \(ONS\) website](#).
4. Information on the 2011 Census in Scotland is available from the [National Records of Scotland \(NRS\) website](#).
5. Census statistics for the United Kingdom can be accessed at <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/census/2011/uk-census/index.html>
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- are well explained and readily accessible;

- are produced according to sound methods, and
- are managed impartially and objectively in the public interest.

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10. Further information on the statistics provided in this publication can be obtained from NISRA Census Customer Services at:

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