

# Briefing on the 2011 Census: Lincoln

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# 1. Summary

## Population Growth

- Lincoln's population has grown by 8.8% since 2001 to 93,100 residents.
- It is a densely populated city of 2,597 people per square kilometre.

## Age

- Residents in their 20s make up 1/5 of the population.
- Since 2001 there has been an 11.7% reduction in the number of children aged 0-14.
- This has been met with a large 49.3% increase in the number of residents aged 20-24.
- Lincoln has an ageing population, with people aged 60+ projected to increase to 23% of the population by 2021.
- Lincoln is estimated to have the highest number of short term migrants in the county.
- There are an estimated 39,800 residential households in the city.

## Religion

- Despite declining, Christianity remains the most prominent religion or belief in Lincoln, accounting for 54,265 (58%) residents.
- This decline has been met with an increase of people of No Religion, which increased by 110% to 30,456 residents.
- Despite only accounting for 1% of Lincoln's population, Islam was the fastest growing religion in Lincoln over the last decade, increasing by 148%.

## Ethnicity

- The slowest growing ethnic group in Lincoln was White British, which increased by 2%, and now make up 89% of the population.
- In contrast, the number of White Other residents increased by 355%, and now make up 5% of the population.

### Nationality

- In 2001, 5% of residents (4,307) were born outside of the UK. In 2011, this had increased to 9.8% of residents (9,158).
- Residents from EU Accession States (mostly eastern and central European), make up 4% of the population (3,607 residents).

### Dependent Children and Health

- Just over one quarter of households in Lincoln contain dependent children (26% / 10,203).
- 26% (10,370) of households also contain someone with a long-term health problem or disability.
- Additionally, 16.7% (1,728) of households that contain someone with a long-term health problem or disability also contain dependent children.

### Tenure

- The majority of homes in Lincoln are privately owned, with 31% (12,215) being mortgaged and 24% (9,717) being owned outright. Private landlords and lettings agencies account for the next most common tenure, followed by local authority lettings.

### Lone parents

- There are 2,959 lone parent households in Lincoln, with 59% of lone parents being in employment – the most common employment type being part-time.

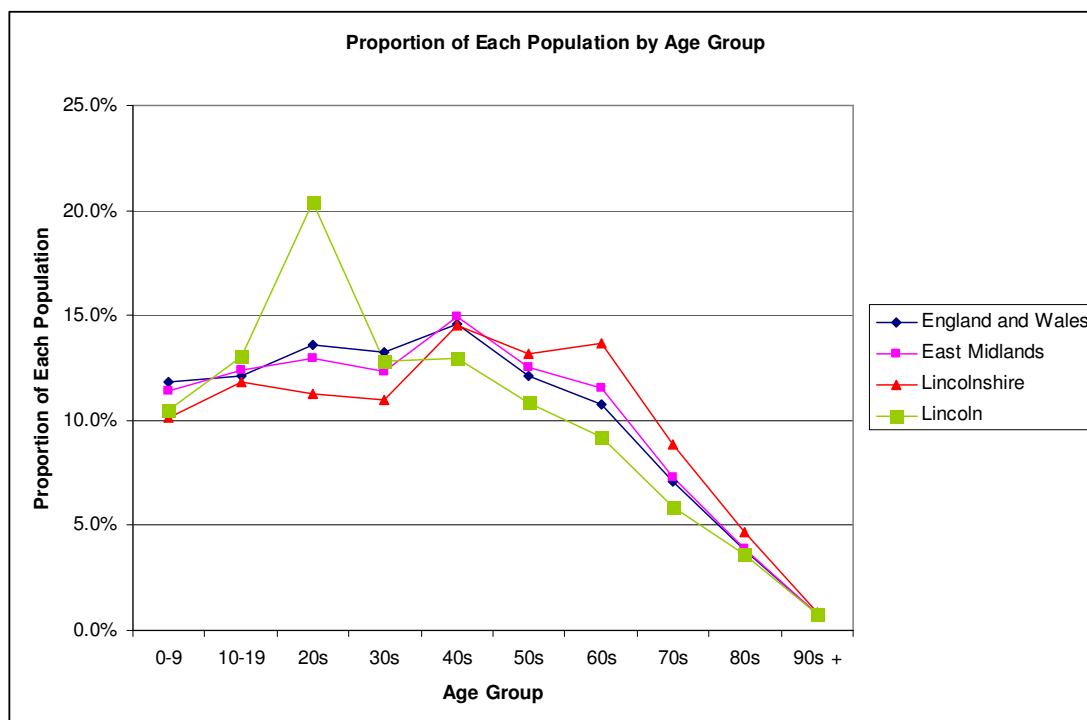
## **2. Introduction**

The population of Lincoln is estimated from the 2011 Census to be 93,100. The total Lincoln population figure used for some datasets in this briefing is 93,541. This was the initial census count, which was later revised down to an estimate of 93,100. Some of the population data included in this briefing is based on the initial census count of 93,541. This will not have a significant impact on numbers or proportions.

Some data is not comparable from 2001 to 2011. Where this is the case, comparisons have not been made.

### 3. Age

Lincoln is a city known for its proportionately large young population, and 2011 Census data shows a continuation of this. The spike in the graph below shows a much higher proportion of Lincoln's population aged in their 20s (20.4%) than in Lincolnshire (11.3%), the East Midlands (12.9%) and England and Wales (13.6%). One key reason for this spike is the presence of a large university within the city boundary.



#### Children aged 0-14

- The 10-14 age group reduced by 1,300 people to 4,500 residents (a decrease of 22.4%).
- There was also a fall amongst the 5-9 age group of 1,000 people to 4,300 residents (a decrease of 18.9%).
- Despite this, the 0-4 age group increased by 400 people to 5,500 (an increase of 7.8%)
- **Overall the 0-14 age group reduced by 1,900 people to 14,300 residents (a decrease of 11.7%).**

#### Young Adults aged 15-29

- The most notable change from 2001 to 2011 was amongst the 20-24 age group which increased by 3,700 people to 11,200 residents (an increase of 49.3%).
- Other notable increases were amongst the 15-19 age group which increased by 1,700 people to 7,700 residents (an increase of 28.3%), as well as the 25-29 age group which increased by 1,900 people to 7,900 residents (an increase of 31.7%).

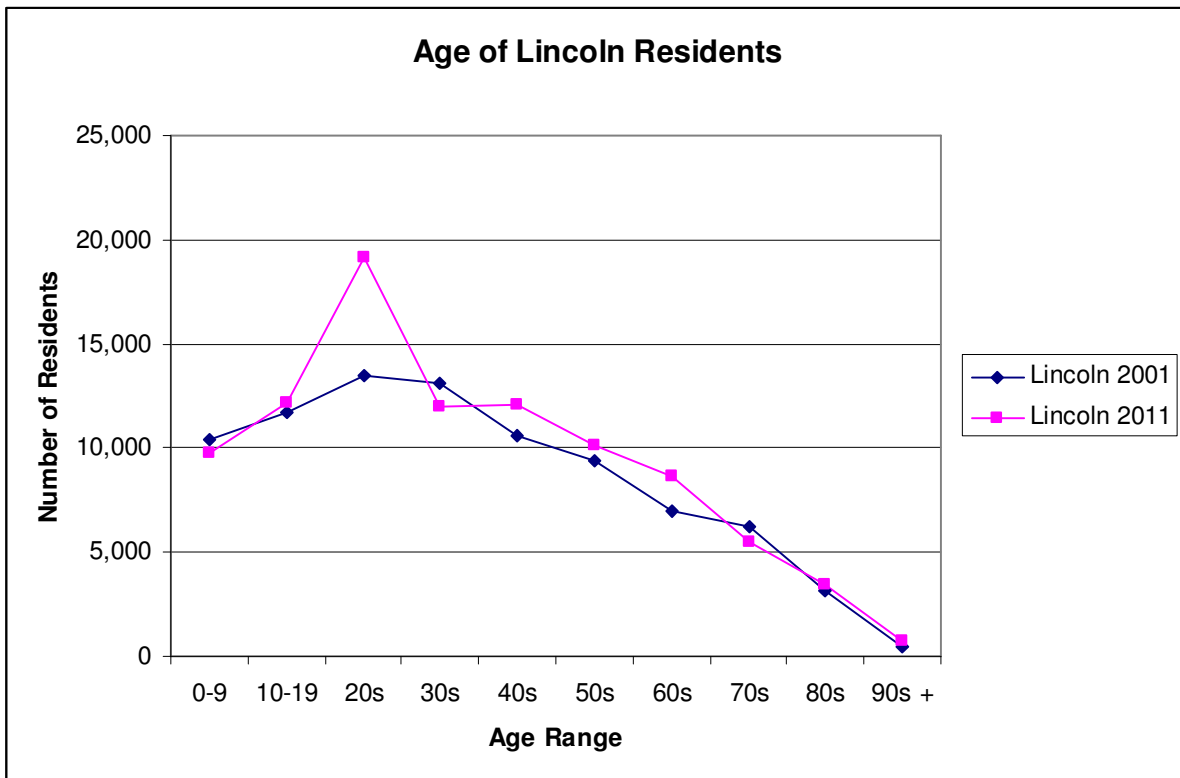
- **Overall the 15-29 age group increased by 7,300 people to 26,800 residents (an increase of 37.4%).**

Adults aged 30-64

- The 35-39 age group saw a fall, decreasing by 900 people to 5,600 residents (a decrease of 13.8%).
- **Overall the 30-64 age group increased by 2,400 people to 39,100 residents (an increase of 6.5%).**

Older People aged 65+

- The largest change in this category of people was amongst those aged 85+, who saw an increase of 700 people to 2,100 residents (an increase of 50%).
- **Overall the 65+ age group increased by 400 people to 13,400 residents (an increase of 3.1%).**



## 4. Population Projections

Lincoln's population in 2011 was 93,100. It is expected to increase to 95,900 in 2021.

The largest numerical increases are expected amongst people in their 70s (+1,840) and 0-9 year olds (+1,818). The largest percentage change was amongst people aged 90+ which is expected to increase 87.7%.

Residents aged in their 20s are expected to decrease by 1,582 residents, however this age group is heavily influenced by the churn of university students entering and leaving the city each year. These population projections are unable to take into account changes to university applications and how this will impact on city demographics.

Lincoln has an ageing population, with people aged 60+ accounting for 20% of the population in 2011, and accounting for a projected 23% of the population in 2021. This is a projected increase of 3,436 in real terms.

	2011	2021	Numerical Change	Percentage Change
<b>0-9</b>	9,932	11,750	1,818	18.3%
<b>10-19</b>	11,645	11,073	-572	-4.9%
<b>20s</b>	19,181	17,599	-1,582	-8.2%
<b>30s</b>	11,887	12,082	195	1.6%
<b>40s</b>	12,016	10,150	-1,866	-15.5%
<b>50s</b>	10,161	11,554	1,393	13.7%
<b>60s</b>	8,665	9,204	539	6.2%
<b>70s</b>	5,471	7,311	1,840	33.6%
<b>80s</b>	3,384	3,790	406	12.0%
<b>90+</b>	743	1,394	651	87.7%

## 5. Religion

Christianity remains the most prominent religion in Lincoln, accounting for 54,265 (58%) residents. The number of Christians estimated in the census has, however, decreased by 8,965 (-14%). This has been met with a significant increase in the number of people with No Religion of 110% to 30,456 residents. No Religion represents the second largest category amongst Lincoln residents for religion and belief.

Although No Religion accounts for the largest numeric increase amongst religion and belief in Lincoln, Muslims have seen the largest percentage increase, increasing by 148% to 902 since 2001, and now account for 1% of Lincoln's population.

**Table 1: Number of People by Religion in Lincoln – 2011 Census**

Religion	2001 Census	2011 Census	Numeric Change	Percentage Change
Christian	63,230	54,265	-8,965	-14.2%
Buddhist	147	303	156	106.1%
Hindu	178	335	157	88.2%
Jewish	51	63	12	23.5%
Muslim	364	902	538	147.8%
Sikh	69	73	4	5.8%
Other Religion	225	478	253	112.4%
No Religion	14,473	30,456	15,983	110.4%
Prefer not to state	6,858	6,666	-192	-2.8%
<b>Total population</b>	<b>85,595</b>	<b>93,541</b>	<b>7,946</b>	<b>9.3%</b>

**Table 2: Percentage of People by Religion in Lincoln – 2011 Census**

Religion	2001 Census	2011 Census
Christian	73.9%	58.0%
Buddhist	0.2%	0.3%
Hindu	0.2%	0.4%
Jewish	0.1%	0.1%
Muslim	0.4%	1.0%
Sikh	0.1%	0.1%
Other religion	0.3%	0.5%
No religion	16.9%	32.6%
Prefer not to state	8.0%	7.1%
<b>Total population</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



## 6. Ethnicity

The ethnic make-up of Lincoln has seen some significant changes. In 2001, black and minority ethnic (BME) groups made up 5% of Lincoln's population. By 2011, residents from BME groups accounted for 11% of the population (9,888 residents).

The smallest growth for any ethnic group (other than White Irish which witnessed a decline) was White British, which grew by only 2% (1,927 residents). In contrast, by far the greatest increase was amongst White Other residents, whose population increased by 355% (3,844 residents).

Ethnicity	2001 Census	2011 Census	Numeric Change	Percentage Change
White British	81,726	83,653	1,927	2.4%
White Irish	902	719	-183	-20.3%
White Gypsy and Traveller	Only in 2011	80	N/A	N/A
White Other	1,083	4,927	3,844	354.9%
Mixed Ethnicity	601	1,230	629	104.7%
Asian / Asian British	608	1,794	1,186	195.1%
Black / Black British	233	778	545	233.9%
Arab	Only in 2011	175	N/A	N/A
Any Other Ethnic Group	Only in 2011	185	N/A	N/A
Chinese or other ethnic group	442	Only in 2001	N/A	N/A
<b>Total BME</b>	<b>3,869</b>	<b>9,888</b>	<b>6,019</b>	<b>155.6%</b>
<b>Total population</b>	<b>85,595</b>	<b>93,541</b>	<b>7,946</b>	<b>9.3%</b>

Ethnicity	2001 Census	2011 Census
White British	95.5%	89.4%
White Irish	1.1%	0.8%
White Gypsy and Traveller		0.1%
White Other	1.3%	5.3%
Mixed Ethnicity	0.7%	1.3%
Asian / Asian British	0.7%	1.9%
Black / Black British	0.3%	0.8%
Arabic		0.2%
Any Other Ethnic Group		0.2%
Chinese or other ethnic group	0.5%	
<b>Total BME</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>10.6%</b>
<b>Total population</b>	<b>100.1%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## 7. Nationality

In 2001, 5% of residents (4,307) were born outside of the UK. In 2011, this had increased to 9.8% of residents (9,158). After British, the most common nationality category for Lincoln residents is 'Other EU: Accession countries April 2001 to March 2011'\* who make up 4% of Lincoln's population. These are predominantly central and eastern European countries. In addition, 2% of the population is made up of other European Union countries. This provides insight into the 'White Other' ethnicity category that makes up 5% of Lincoln's population.

Country of Birth	Number of Residents in 2011	Proportion of Residents in 2011
England	81,526	87.2%
Northern Ireland	429	0.5%
Scotland	1,706	1.8%
Wales	710	0.8%
United Kingdom not otherwise specified	12	0.01%
Ireland	563	0.6%
Other EU: Member countries in March 2001	1,589	1.7%
Other EU: Accession countries April 2001 to March 2011	3,607	3.9%
Other countries	3,399	3.6%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>93,541</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\* Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia

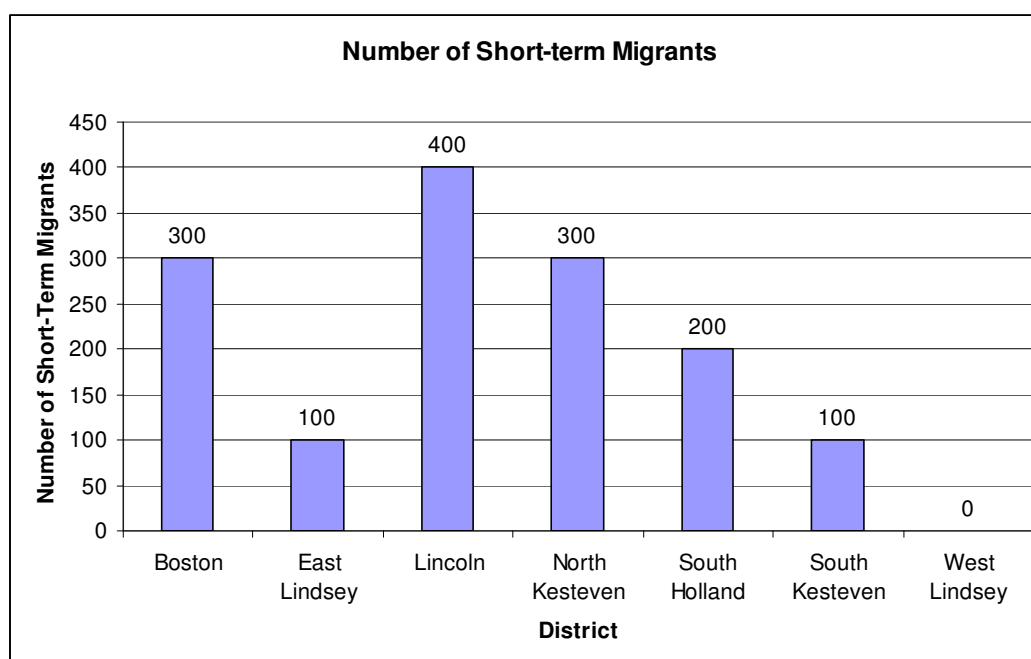
Passport data supports both the nationality data above and the ethnicity data in Section 4, with 5% of residents in Lincoln holding a passport of European Union origin. In addition to this, 68% of residents hold a United Kingdom passport, and 26% of residents do not hold a passport.

Passport	Proportion of the Population
No passport	25.6%
United Kingdom	67.9%
Republic of Ireland	0.5%
Other Europe: EU countries	4.7%
Other Europe: Non EU countries	0.1%
Africa	0.4%
Middle East and Asia	0.9%
North America and the Caribbean	0.3%
Central America	0.0%
South America	0.0%
Antarctica and Oceania	0.1%
British Overseas Territories	0.0%

NB. People with more than one passport are counted more than once. Data is for proportions only.

## 8. Short-term Migrants

The 2011 Census estimated there to be 400 short-term migrants in Lincoln. Someone was considered to be a short-term migrant if they were born outside the UK, but indicated on the census form they intended to stay in the UK for a period of three months, but less than 12 months. According to census data, Lincoln was estimated to have the highest number of short term migrants in the county, with an even split between males and females.



This is not a figure we would have expected to see. For example, one indicator on Migrant Workers is the number of national insurance registrations made to adult overseas nationals entering the UK. The orange highlights in the table below show which county district had the highest number of registrations for each year. It shows Boston has consistently had the highest number of registrations since 2003/04. Potential explanations for the difference between the census short-term migrant data and the national insurance data could be those registering for national insurance tend to stay longer term. Additionally, the national insurance data just captures those entering the country to work, whereas visitors (e.g. family members) would be more likely to appear on the census data.

NINo registrations to adult overseas nationals entering the UK by year of registration and 2009 Local Authority / Unitary Authority.

Local Authority	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
Boston	0.30	0.46	1.38	2.32	2.14	2.16	2.14	2.17	2.47
East Lindsey	0.10	0.13	0.37	0.81	0.79	0.64	0.46	0.30	0.37
Lincoln	0.34	0.45	1.05	1.28	1.32	1.19	0.87	0.76	1.13
North Kesteven	0.08	0.11	0.30	0.34	0.56	0.44	0.34	0.34	0.30
South Holland	0.21	0.40	1.33	1.94	1.46	1.61	1.42	1.34	1.47
South Kesteven	0.26	0.33	0.54	0.97	1.21	0.92	0.71	0.45	0.54
West Lindsey	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.19	0.23	0.18	0.15	0.18	0.16

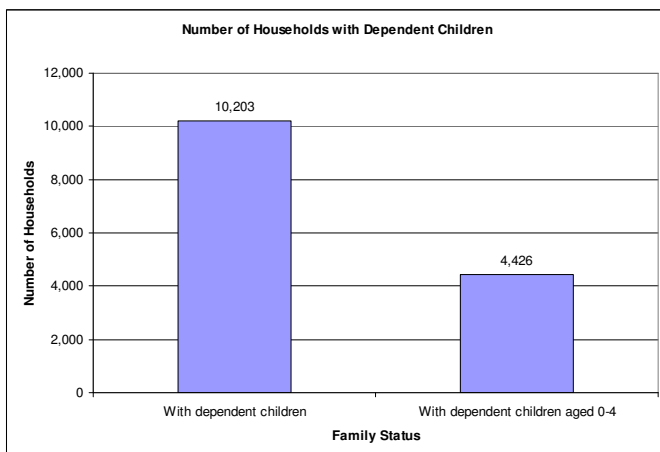
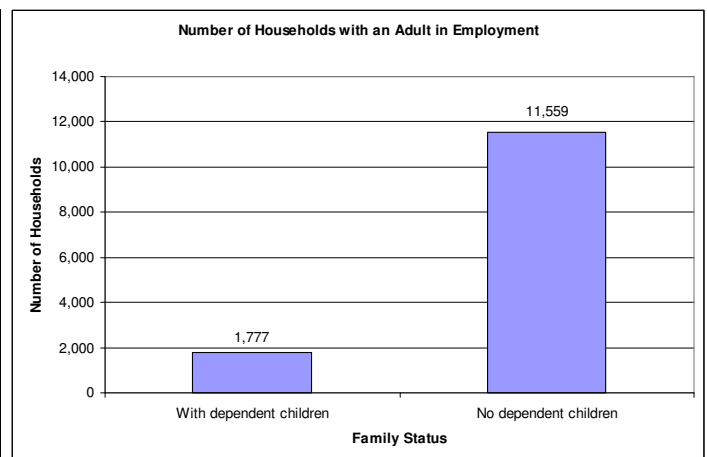
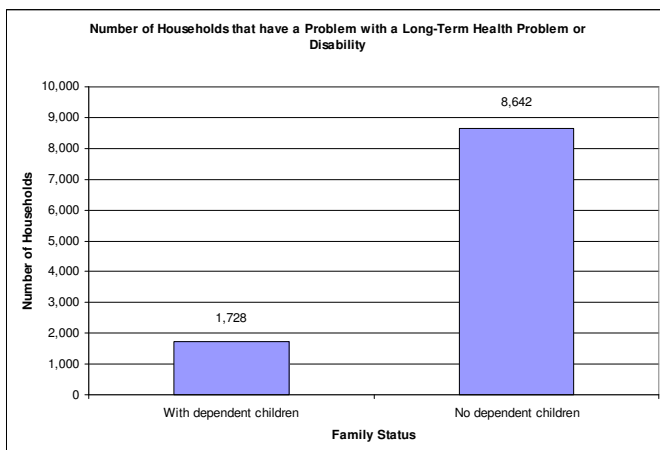
NB. Numbers are in thousands

Source: DWP (2012)

## 9. Dependent Children and Health

There are 39,825 households in Lincoln.

- 25.6% (10,203) of households in Lincoln contain dependent children.
- 11.1% (4,426) of households in Lincoln contain a dependent child aged 0-4.
- 26.0% (10,370) of households contain someone with a long-term health problem or disability.
- 16.7% (1,728) of households that contain someone with a long-term health problem or disability also contains dependent children.
- 33.5% (13,336) of households contain no-one in employment – likely to be influenced by the large number of students in the city.
- 13.3% (1,777) of ‘out of work’ households contain dependent children.



## **10. Household Estimates**

The 2011 Census household estimate is an estimate of household spaces occupied by at least one usual resident. This shows there are an estimated 39,800 residential households in the city.

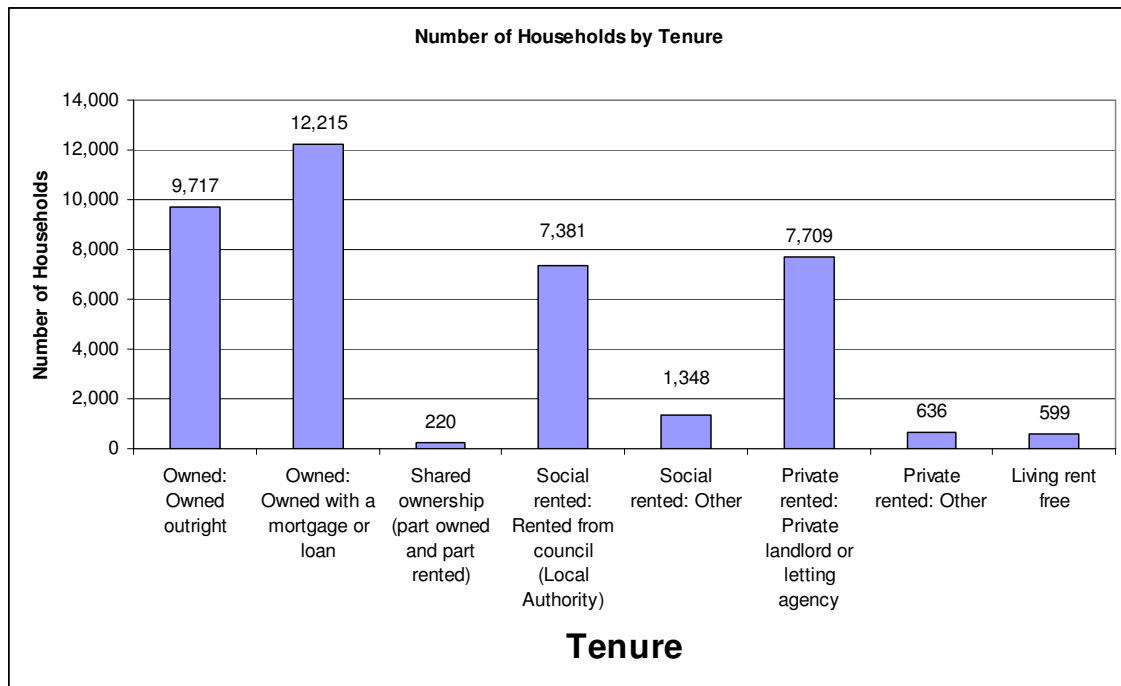
Depending on what criteria is used when estimating the number of households, the number can differ. The 39,800 figure may not therefore match other household figures that have been used in the past, such as from our own council tax list. The census team used council tax data as a baseline for their own address check, which resulted in some additional households being counted.

One of the key methodological differences between the census household estimate, and household data we have used in the past, is the way some buildings such as Student Halls were counted. If a Student Hall was managed by a university or private company, then the census considered it one Communal Establishment, and therefore one household. However, on many alternative household estimates each individual flat within a Student Hall would be considered a household.

# 11. Tenure

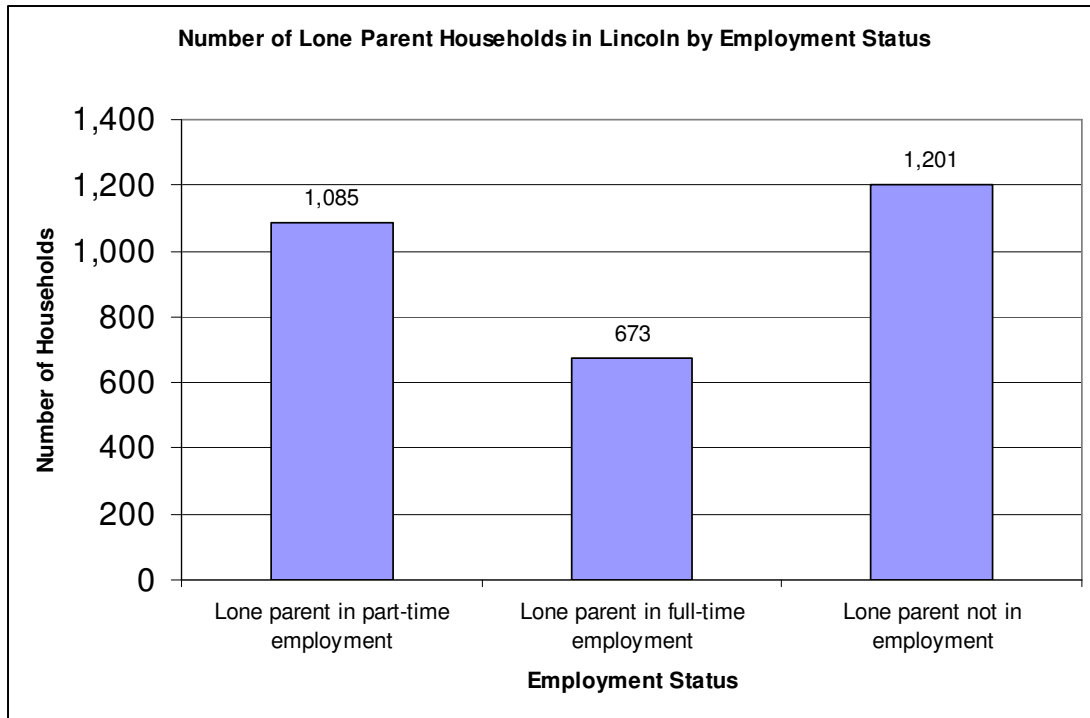
Of the 39,825 households in Lincoln, 55.1% (21,932) are privately owned. Just over half these are owned with a mortgage or loan, with the remainder being owned outright. There is a roughly even split between social rented and private rented homes, with council homes accounting for 18.5% of all households, and private landlords and letting agencies accounting for 19.4% of all households. The number of private rented households is heavily influenced by the student population of Lincoln.

- Privately owned – 55.1% (21,932 households)
- Shared ownership – 0.6% (220 households)
- Social rented – 21.9% (8,729 households)
- Private rented – 21.0% (8,345 households)
- Living rent free – 1.5% (599 households)



## 12. Lone Parent Households

There are 2,959 lone parent households in Lincoln. The majority of lone parent households in Lincoln, 59.4%, contain someone in work, the with majority of working lone parents being in part-time employment. Splitting the data by gender shows us 91.0% of lone parents are female (2,693), and 9.0% (266) are male.



## Appendix

**Table 1: Lincoln Age Profile from 2001 to 2011**

Age	2001 Census Estimates	2011 Census Estimates	Number Change to 2011	Percentage Change to 2011
0-4	5,100	5,500	400	7.8%
5-9	5,300	4,300	-1000	-18.9%
10-14	5,800	4,500	-1300	-22.4%
15-19	6,000	7,700	1700	28.3%
20-24	7,500	11,200	3700	49.3%
25-29	6,000	7,900	1900	31.7%
30-34	6,500	6,400	-100	-1.5%
35-39	6,500	5,600	-900	-13.8%
40-44	5,600	5,900	300	5.4%
45-49	5,000	6,200	1200	24.0%
50-54	5,200	5,400	200	3.8%
55-59	4,200	4,700	500	11.9%
60-64	3,700	4,900	1200	32.4%
65-69	3,300	3,700	400	12.1%
70-74	3,200	3,000	-200	-6.3%
75-79	3,000	2,500	-500	-16.7%
80-84	2,100	2,100	0	0.0%
85+	1,400	2,100	700	50.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>85,600</b>	<b>93,500</b>		

**Table 2: 2011 Census Comparator Age Profile (Numbers)**

Age	England and Wales	East Midlands	Lincolnshire	Lincoln
0-9	6,632,500	517,800	72,500	9,800
0-19	6,798,100	560,400	84,400	12,200
20s	7,643,800	586,300	80,500	19,100
30s	7,416,100	559,700	78,200	12,000
40s	8,199,700	676,100	103,700	12,100
50s	6,785,600	568,600	93,800	10,100
60s	6,051,400	523,600	97,600	8,600
70s	3,956,200	329,100	63,400	5,500
80s	2,163,700	177,900	33,400	3,400
90s +	428,900	33,800	6,300	700



**Table 3: 2011 Census Comparator Age Profile (Percentages)**

<b>Age</b>	<b>England and Wales</b>	<b>East Midlands</b>	<b>Lincolnshire</b>	<b>Lincoln</b>
<b>0-9</b>	11.8%	11.4%	10.2%	10.5%
<b>0-19</b>	12.1%	12.4%	11.8%	13.0%
<b>20s</b>	13.6%	12.9%	11.3%	20.4%
<b>30s</b>	13.2%	12.3%	11.0%	12.8%
<b>40s</b>	14.6%	14.9%	14.5%	12.9%
<b>50s</b>	12.1%	12.5%	13.1%	10.8%
<b>60s</b>	10.8%	11.6%	13.7%	9.2%
<b>70s</b>	7.1%	7.3%	8.9%	5.9%
<b>80s</b>	3.9%	3.9%	4.7%	3.6%
<b>90s +</b>	0.8%	0.7%	0.9%	0.7%