**Census 2011**

Census Day 2011 occurred on Sunday 27th March 2011. On this day the usual resident population of Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough was 199,693. This accounted for 11.0% of the Northern Ireland population, the second largest council in terms of population after Belfast.

On Census Day 2011 there were 98,713 males (49.4%) and 100,980 females (50.6%) resident in the borough. The proportion of females in Northern Ireland overall was similar at 51.0%.

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| **Age Group** | **Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon** | **%** | **Northern Ireland** | **%** |
| **0 – 15 years** | 44,206 | 22.1% | 379,323 | 20.9% |
| **16 – 24 years** | 23,949 | 12.0% | 227,634 | 12.6% |
| **25 – 49 years** | 70,774 | 35.4% | 629,691 | 34.8% |
| **50 – 64 years** | 33,137 | 16.6% | 310,495 | 17.1% |
| **65 and over** | 27,627 | 13.8% | 263,720 | 14.6% |
| **Total** | 199,693 | 100.0% | 1,810,863 | 100.0% |

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Almost nine in ten (89.0%) usual residents of the borough on Census Day 2011 were born in Northern Ireland, similar to the proportion for Northern Ireland overall (88.8%). Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough had a slightly higher proportion than Northern Ireland of residents born outside the United Kingdom or Republic of Ireland, 5.4% and 4.5% respectively.

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| **Country of Birth** | **Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon** | **%** | **Northern Ireland** | **%** |
| **Northern Ireland** | 177,634 | 89.0% | 1,608,853 | 88.8% |
| **England** | 6,125 | 3.1% | 64,717 | 3.6% |
| **Scotland** | 1,312 | 0.7% | 15,455 | 0.9% |
| **Wales** | 269 | 0.1% | 2,552 | 0.1% |
| **Republic of Ireland** | 3,507 | 1.8% | 37,833 | 2.1% |
| **Other EU: Member countries prior to 2004 expansion** | 1,399 | 0.7% | 9,703 | 0.5% |
| **Other EU: Accession countries 2004 onwards** | 6,306 | 3.2% | 35,704 | 2.0% |
| **Other** | 3,141 | 1.6% | 36,046 | 2.0% |
| **Total** | 199,693 | 100.0% | 1,810,863 | 100.0% |

*Table 2: Country of birth of residents in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough and Northern Ireland. Source: Country of Birth - KS204NI (administrative geographies), Census 2011, NISRA.*

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| **Ethnicity** | **Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon** | **%** | **Northern Ireland** | **%** |
| **White** | 196,777 | 98.54% | 1,778,449 | 98.21% |
| **Chinese** | 528 | 0.26% | 6,303 | 0.35% |
| **Irish Traveller** | 136 | 0.07% | 1,301 | 0.07% |
| **Indian** | 388 | 0.19% | 6,198 | 0.34% |
| **Pakistani** | 196 | 0.10% | 1,091 | 0.06% |
| **Bangladeshi** | 25 | 0.01% | 540 | 0.03% |
| **Other Asian** | 463 | 0.23% | 4,998 | 0.28% |
| **Black Caribbean** | 32 | 0.02% | 372 | 0.02% |
| **Black African** | 195 | 0.10% | 2,345 | 0.13% |
| **Black Other** | 108 | 0.05% | 899 | 0.05% |
| **Mixed** | 605 | 0.30% | 6,014 | 0.33% |
| **Other** | 240 | 0.12% | 2,353 | 0.13% |
| **Total** | 199,693 | 100.0% | 1,810,863 | 100.0% |

The borough had a similar ethnic profile as Northern Ireland on Census Day 2011. 98.6% of residents in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon were white (including Irish Traveller) and 1.4% were from an ethnic minority population.

*Table 3: Ethnic group of residents in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough and Northern Ireland. Source: Ethnic Group - KS201NI (administrative geographies), Census 2011, NISRA.*

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| **Main Language** | **Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon** | **%** | **Northern Ireland** | **%** |
| **English** | 182,380 | 95.72% | 1,681,171 | 96.86% |
| **Polish** | 2,919 | 1.53% | 17,731 | 1.02% |
| **Lithuanian** | 1,736 | 0.91% | 6,250 | 0.36% |
| **Irish (Gaelic)** | 250 | 0.13% | 4,164 | 0.24% |
| **Portuguese** | 834 | 0.44% | 2,293 | 0.13% |
| **Slovak** | 195 | 0.10% | 2,257 | 0.13% |
| **Chinese** | 130 | 0.07% | 2,214 | 0.13% |
| **Tagalog/Filipino** | 166 | 0.09% | 1,895 | 0.11% |
| **Latvian** | 343 | 0.18% | 1,273 | 0.07% |
| **Russian** | 170 | 0.09% | 1,191 | 0.07% |
| **Malayalam** | 92 | 0.05% | 1,174 | 0.07% |
| **Hungarian** | 100 | 0.05% | 1,008 | 0.06% |
| **Other** | 1,211 | 0.64% | 13,090 | 0.75% |
| **Total (Aged 3+)** | 190,526 | 100.0% | 1,735,711 | 100.0% |

In the borough, 4.3% of residents aged three years and over on Census Day 2011 did not have English as their main language. The most common other main languages were Polish (2,919 residents aged 3+) and Lithuanian (1,736 residents aged 3+). The proportion of residents in Northern Ireland overall whose main language was not English was slightly lower than the borough at 3.1%.

*Table 4: Main language of residents aged 3+ in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough and Northern Ireland. Source: Main Language- KS207NI (administrative geographies), Census 2011, NISRA.*

43.0% of residents in the borough on Census Day 2011 belong to or were brought up in the Catholic religion and 51.7% belong to or were brought up in a Protestant and Other Christian (including Christian related) religion. This compares to Northern Ireland overall with 45.1% and 48.4% respectively.

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| **Religion or Religion Brought Up In** | **Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon** | **%** | **Northern Ireland** | **%** |
| **Catholic** | 85,770 | 43.0% | 817,385 | 45.1% |
| **Protestant and Other Christian** | 103,315 | 51.7% | 875,717 | 48.4% |
| **Other** | 1,590 | 0.8% | 16,592 | 0.9% |
| **None** | 9,018 | 4.5% | 101,169 | 5.6% |
| **Total** | 199,693 | 100.0% | 1,810,863 | 100.0% |

*Table 5: Religion or religion brought up in of residents in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough and Northern Ireland. Source: Religion or Religion Brought Up In - KS212NI (administrative geographies), Census 2011, NISRA.*

Over half of the residents in the borough (50.5%) had a British national identity, 28.9% had a Northern Irish national identity and 25.2% had an Irish national identity. Respondents could indicate more than one national identity.

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| **National Identity** | **Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon** | **%** | **Northern Ireland** | **%** |
| **British** | 100,825 | 50.5% | 876,577 | 48.4% |
| **Irish** | 50,284 | 25.2% | 513,390 | 28.4% |
| **Northern Irish** | 57,613 | 28.9% | 533,085 | 29.4% |
| **English** | 1,689 | 0.9% | 18,041 | 1.0% |
| **Scottish** | 803 | 0.4% | 9,374 | 0.5% |
| **Welsh** | 176 | 0.1% | 1,772 | 0.1% |
| **Other** | 9,132 | 4.6% | 61,884 | 3.4% |

*Table 6: National identity of residents in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough and Northern Ireland. Source: National Identity - KS203NI (administrative geographies), Census 2011, NISRA. Please note respondents could indicate more than one national identity.*

On Census Day 2011, over half of the borough (51.0%) aged 16 and over were married while around a third (33.6%) were single. The proportions of those married and single differ slightly from the figures for Northern Ireland overall where 47.6% were married and 36.1% were single.

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| **Marital and Civil Partnership Status** | **Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon** | **%** | **Northern Ireland** | **%** |
| **Single (never married or never registered a same-sex civil partnership)** | 52,296 | 33.6% | 517,393 | 36.1% |
| **Married** | 79,220 | 51.0% | 680,831 | 47.6% |
| **In a registered same-sex civil partnership** | 110 | 0.1% | 1,243 | 0.1% |
| **Separated (but still legally married or still legally in a same-sex civil partnership)** | 5,639 | 3.6% | 56,911 | 4.0% |
| **Divorced or formerly in a same-sex civil partnership which is now legally dissolved** | 8,087 | 5.2% | 78,074 | 5.5% |
| **Widowed or surviving partner from a same-sex civil partnership** | 10,135 | 6.5% | 97,088 | 6.8% |
| **Total (Aged 16+)** | 155,487 | 100.0% | 1,431,540 | 100.0% |

*Table 7: Marital and civil partnership status of residents aged 16+ in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough and Northern Ireland. Source: Marital and Civil Partnership Status – KS103NI (administrative geographies), Census 2011, NISRA.*

The 2011 Census population of the largest borough settlements are shown below. NISRA settlement classification used Settlement Development Limits (SDLs) to define the spatial extent of settlements. The Settlement Development Limit of the Craigavon Urban Area includes the three elements of Central Craigavon, Lurgan and Portadown. Populations for these three individual elements are not currently available.

In the NISRA settlement classification a prescriptive urban-rural classification is not produced, but a default urban/rural classification is provided; where settlements with a population of over 5,000 are classified as urban.

Based on the NISRA default urban/rural classification, on Census Day 2011 just over half of the borough’s population (50.9%) lived in urban areas while just under half (49.1%) lived in rural areas. This compared to 62.5% urban and 37.5% rural for Northern Ireland overall.

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| **Settlement** | **NISRA Classification** | **Urban / Rural** | **2011 Census Population** |
| **Craigavon Urban Area (includes Central Craigavon, Lurgan and Portadown)** | Large Town (population 18,000+) | Urban | 64,193 |
| **Banbridge** | Medium Town (population 10,000 – 17,999) | Urban | 16,653 |
| **Armagh** | Urban | 14,749 |
| **Dromore** | Small Town (population 5,000 – 9,999) | Urban | 6,011 |
| **Waringstown** | Intermediate Settlement (population 2,500 – 4,999) | Rural | 3,647 |
| **Tandragee** | Rural | 3,486 |
| **Keady** | Rural | 3,036 |
| **Richhill** | Rural | 2,821 |
| **Rathfriland** | Village (population 1,000 – 2,499) | Rural | 2,472 |
| **Dollingstown** | Rural | 2,126 |
| **Gilford** | Rural | 1,927 |
| **Donaghcloney** | Rural | 1,701 |
| **Markethill** | Rural | 1,652 |
| **Magheralin** | Rural | 1,337 |
| **Laurelvale / Mullavilly** | Rural | 1,284 |
| **Aghagallon** | Rural | 1,056 |
| **Bleary** | Rural | 1,011 |
|  | Settlements with populations of less than 1,000 or open countryside |  |  |

*Table 8: Population of Settlements by NISRA Classification in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon. Source: Headcount and Household Estimates for Settlements – CT235NI, Census 2011, NISRA.*

Further information on Census 2011 can be found via the following links:

<https://www.nisra.gov.uk/statistics/census/2011-census>

<https://www.ninis2.nisra.gov.uk/public/census2011analysis/index.aspx>