Between 2001 and 2011 the working age population has remained stable at 63%. However, there has been a large decline amongst young adults aged 25-39 (from 22.5% to 19.1%).

Most growth since 2001 has been in the oldest age groups, the 65 and over's increased by 14.0%. There was also an increase in children aged 0-4 years (15.4%).

94.4% of Gosport’s resident population are estimated to be of ethnic group ‘White British’, those in other ethnic groups increased from 3.1% to 5.6% over the period.

Total Dependency 2001 - 2011
Total Dependency 58.1 - 58.0
Child Dependency 32.5 - 31.0
Old Age Dependency 25.6 - 27.0

Total and child dependency have declined, whilst old age dependency has increased.

Population Density
There are 32.6 people per hectare living in Gosport. This is above both the South East and England and Wales population densities of 4.5 and 3.7 respectively.
47.8% of the adult population are married, a decline from 52.3% in 2001. Those that are single (never married) account for 30.0%, an increase from 26.8% in 2001.

Christianity remains the largest religion in Gosport at 58.8% however it has experienced a large decline since 2001. The percentage with no religion has increased by 97.8%.

Households comprised of married or civil partners account for 33.4%. One person households account for 29.8%, of which (43.3%) are occupied by those aged 65 and over.

93.9% of Gosport’s population were born in the UK, a reduction from 95.4% in 2001. The next biggest region is Europe at 3.0%.

Between 2001 and 2011 the percentage of rented households increased, alongside shared and outright ownership. The percentage of households owned with a mortgage or a loan decreased by 19.0% over the period.

Source - The source used is the Office for National Statistics (ONS) Census data for the years 1981 to 2011.

1White British includes those describing their ethnicity as English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British.

2The Total Dependency Ratio is the number of children (aged 0-15) and retired people (aged 65 and over) to every 100 people of working age. The Child Ratio is the number of children and retired people to every 100 people of working age.

3Marital and Civil Partnership status refers to the population aged 16 and over.

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