Between 2001 and 2011 there has been an increase in the percentage of the population aged 15-29 years (from 23.3% to 27.2%). There has been a decline amongst adults aged 30-39 (from 16.2% to 13.3%).

Most growth since 2001 has been in the working age groups, the 16-44s increased by 13.1%. There was also an increase in children aged 0-4 years (23.1%).

84.0% of Portsmouth’s resident population are estimated to be of ethnic group ‘White British’, those in other ethnic groups increased from 8.1% to 16.0% over the period.

Total dependency has declined as a result of the reduction in both child and old age dependency.

There are 50.7 people per hectare living in Portsmouth. This is above both the South East and England and Wales population densities of 4.5 and 3.7 respectively.
Marital and Civil Partnership Status

Country of Birth

87.8% of Portsmouth’s population were born in the UK, a reduction from 92.5% in 2001. The next biggest region is Europe at 4.8%.

Religion

Christianity remains the largest religion in Portsmouth at 52.2% however it has experienced a large decline since 2001. The percentage with no religion has increased by 75.6%.

Tenure

Between 2001 and 2011 the percentage of rented households increased. The percentage of households owned with a mortgage or loan decreased by 20.7% alongside a reduction in the percentage of households owned outright at 4.8%.

Households comprised of married or civil partners account for 27.2%. One person households account for 32.1%, of which (37.6%) are occupied by those aged 65 and over.

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. The Old Age Ratio is the number of retired people per 100 of working age.

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

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