

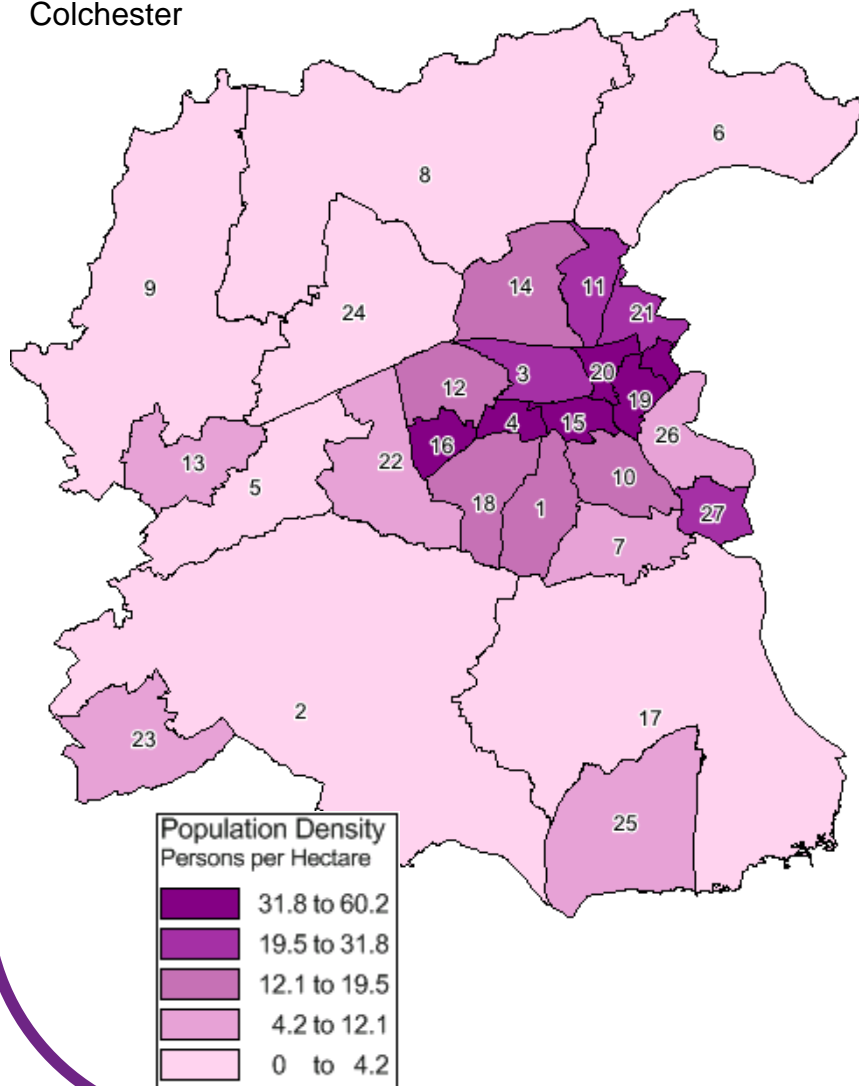
On Census Day:

- **St Andrew's** ward had the highest resident population at 10,991.
- **Wivenhoe Cross** had the highest number of communal establishments at 2,133; this is the ward that the University of Essex falls within.
- **Birch and Winstree** ward had the greatest land area at 6,308 hectares.
- **Castle** ward had the highest number of households with at least one usual resident at 4,961.
- **Shrub End, Birch & Winstree** and **Fordham & Stour** wards had the highest average household size (2.6 persons). **Castle** ward had the lowest (2.0 persons).

Figure 1: Population Density of All Usual Residents by Ward, Colchester

**New Town** ward had the highest population density at **60.2** persons per hectare.

**Pyefleet and Great Tey** wards had the lowest population density at **0.7** persons per hectare.

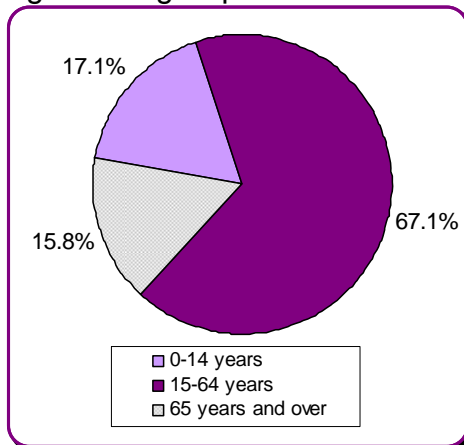


Ward	ID
Berechurch	1
Birch & Winstree	2
Castle	3
Christ Church	4
Copford & West Stanway	5
Dedham & Langham	6
East Donyland	7
Fordham & Stour	8
Great Tey	9
Harbour	10
Highwoods	11
Lexden	12
Marks Tey	13
Mile End	14
New Town	15
Prettygate	16
Pyefleet	17
Shrub End	18
St. Andrew's	19
St. Anne's	20
St. John's	21
Stanway	22
Tiptree	23
West Bergholt & Eight Ash Green	24
West Mersea	25
Wivenhoe Cross	26
Wivenhoe Quay	27



## Ward Level Data

Figure 2: Age Split of Colchester Residents



- Shrub End ward had the highest proportion of **0-14** year olds; **24.8%** of all its residents were in this age group.
- **83.2%** of the total usual resident population of Wivenhoe Cross ward were **15-64** (i.e. working age population) – highest in Colchester.
- West Mersea ward had the highest proportion of residents that were **65+**, at **29.9%**.

### KEY INFORMATION

- The Office for National Statistics (ONS) has been responsible for conducting a census in England and Wales every ten years. The most recent census of England and Wales took place on 27 March 2011.
- The first release of 2011 Census population and household estimates for England and Wales was published on 16 July 2012. It is the first of four data releases. Further releases of data will become available between November 2012 and autumn 2013.
- Census population and household estimates help the government, local authorities, businesses and community organisations identify community needs and plan future service provision.

For the latest FAQs about the 2011 Census (from 16 July 2012):

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/census/2011/census-data/faq/index.html>

### ABOUT THIS REPORT

**This release expands on the first release from 16 July 2012.**

ONS issued rounded data from the 2011 Census on 16 July 2012, containing population figures for England and Wales as follows:

- Age (single year) by sex for England and for Wales (single year of age resident population figures for each country)
- Age (5 year bands) for local and unitary authorities in England & Wales - all people
- Age (5 year bands) for local and unitary authorities in England & Wales - males
- Age (5 year bands) for local and unitary authorities in England & Wales - females
- Additional summary household estimates table(s)
- Supporting information such as definitions for data and geography, methodology papers and quality assurance packs which explain the quality assurance process
- This report looks at data for small areas, based on the information above.
- The information in this report was, as far as is known, correct at the date of publication. Colchester Borough Council cannot accept responsibility for any error or omission.
- When comparisons are made to 2001 data, the population is compared with the mid-year population estimates from 2001, and the household data is compared with the occupied household data from 2001 from the ONS/ Department for Communities & Local Government.
- The ONS are planning to rebase the mid-year estimates from 2002-2010 in line with the findings and improvements in methodology from the 2011 Census.
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