

## Household size, 2011 Census of Population

Table 1 has the household size figures from the 2011 Census of Population that have been downloaded from the [Office for National Statistics](#) website.

The average household size of 2.4 persons was recorded at the national level and for the Lancashire-14 area. At the local authority level in Lancashire, there were only limited variations, with lows of 2.1 people per household in the neighbouring authorities of Fylde and Blackpool, and a high of 2.5 in Blackburn with Darwen.

The results for the number of people per household reveal that for Lancashire-14, there was a small tendency towards a higher percentage of one person households (31.7%) than the national average (30.2%). There were also slightly smaller percentages in the three, four and five plus categories in Lancashire-14 than at the national level.

The variations between Lancashire authorities reveal that one person households represented just 26.9% of the total in West Lancashire, but 38.0% in Blackpool. Households with five or more people accounted for a significant 11.7% of the total in Blackburn with Darwen, but only 5.0% or under in Wyre and Fylde.

**Table 1. Household Size 2011 Census**

Area name	All households	Average Household size, (persons per household)	One Person	Two People	Three People	Four People	Five or more
	Number	Number	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Burnley	37,550	2.3	33.3	32.8	16.1	11.1	6.8
Chorley	44,919	2.3	28.3	36.6	16.7	13.2	5.2
Fylde	34,885	2.1	35.3	36.7	13.8	10.0	4.2
Hyndburn	34,341	2.3	32.2	33.3	15.5	11.6	7.4
Lancaster	57,822	2.2	32.6	36.0	14.3	11.6	5.4
Pendle	37,348	2.4	32.4	33.2	14.5	11.2	8.8
Preston	57,567	2.3	34.5	30.4	14.7	12.4	8.0
Ribble Valley	24,045	2.3	28.9	36.5	15.2	13.9	5.6
Rossendale	29,058	2.3	30.9	34.6	16.0	12.1	6.3
South Ribble	46,102	2.3	27.0	37.0	17.3	13.3	5.4
West Lancashire	45,381	2.4	26.9	36.0	16.3	14.3	6.4
Wyre	47,281	2.2	30.0	39.0	14.6	11.4	5.0
<b>Lancashire-12</b>	<b>496,299</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>31.1</b>	<b>35.1</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>
Blackburn with Darwen	57,353	2.5	30.4	29.8	15.4	12.7	11.7
Blackpool UA	64,367	2.1	38.0	32.4	14.5	9.9	5.3
<b>Lancashire-14</b>	<b>618,019</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>31.7</b>	<b>34.3</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>6.6</b>
North West	3,009,549	2.3	32.2	33.5	15.7	12.2	6.4
England and Wales	23,366,044	2.4	30.2	34.2	15.6	13.0	7.0

Source: 2011 Census. [Table QS406EW](#) for person numbers and [KS403EW](#) for average household size.

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