City of Cape Town – 2011 Census – Cape Town

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(Based on information available at the time of compilation as released by Statistics South Africa)

Demographic Profile, Economic Profile, Household Services Profile

Cape Town Overview – 2011 Census

Cape Town	2001	2011	Change 2001 to 2011	
			Number	%
Population	2 892 243	3 740 025	847 782	29.3%
Households	777 389	1 068 572	291 183	37.5%
Average Household Size	3.72	3.50		

In 2011 the population of Cape Town was 3 740 025, an increase of 29.3% since 2001, and the number of households was 1 068 572, an increase of 37.5% since 2001. The average household size has declined from 3.72 to 3.50 in the 10 years.

A household is defined as a group of persons who live together, and provide themselves jointly with food or other essentials for living, or a single person who lives alone (Statistics South Africa).

The population and household numbers above are to be used and quoted as the official numbers for Cape Town for 2011.

Key results for Cape Town:

- The population is predominantly Coloured (42%) and Black African (39%).
- 46% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 76% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 47% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 78% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 87% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 88% of households have access to a flush toilet connected to the public sewer system.
- 94% of households have their refuse removed at least once a week.
- 94% of households use electricity for lighting in their dwelling.

Note: There are small variations in the total population and the number of households in the profile tables which follow. These occur as Statistics South Africa had to calculate the true population to correct omissions and double counts in the enumeration process. These variations are not significant.

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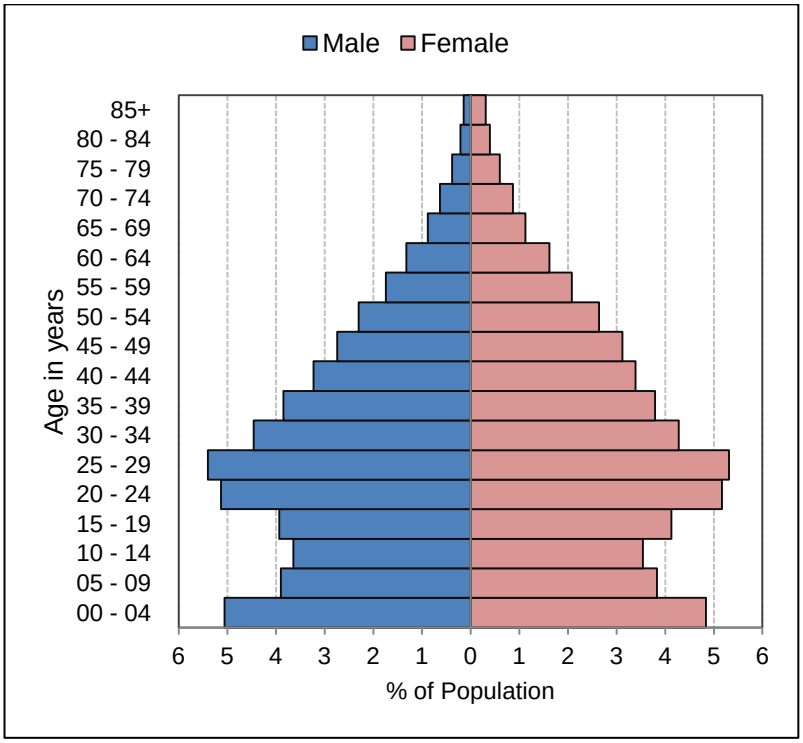
Demographic Profile – 2011 Census

Cape Town Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	722 755	19.3%	722 184	19.3%	1 444 939	38.6%
Coloured	759 559	20.3%	825 727	22.1%	1 585 286	42.4%
Asian	26 155	0.7%	25 631	0.7%	51 786	1.4%
White	280 133	7.5%	305 698	8.2%	585 831	15.7%
Other	42 097	1.1%	30 087	0.8%	72 184	1.9%
Total	1 830 699	48.9%	1 909 327	51.1%	3 740 026	100.0%



Cape Town Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	171 917	11.9%	157 882	10.0%	3 634	7.0%	30 241	5.2%	6 623	9.2%	370 297	9.9%
5 to 14 years	218 344	15.1%	268 035	16.9%	6 624	12.8%	56 548	9.7%	8 482	11.8%	558 033	14.9%
15 to 24 years	300 130	20.8%	291 062	18.4%	9 599	18.5%	72 585	12.4%	13 481	18.7%	686 857	18.4%
25 to 64 years	724 741	50.2%	787 392	49.7%	28 843	55.7%	336 679	57.5%	39 697	55.0%	1 917 352	51.3%
65 years and older	29 807	2.1%	80 913	5.1%	3 084	6.0%	89 779	15.3%	3 903	5.4%	207 486	5.5%
Total	1 444 939	100.0%	1 585 284	100.0%	51 784	100.0%	585 832	100.0%	72 186	100.0%	3 740 025	100.0%

Cape Town Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	22 468	2.5%	16 261	1.6%	497	1.4%	1 175	0.3%	2 553	5.0%	42 954	1.8%
Some primary	84 616	9.4%	104 615	10.4%	1 608	4.5%	3 934	0.9%	2 861	5.6%	197 634	8.1%
Completed primary	39 258	4.3%	68 946	6.9%	954	2.7%	2 199	0.5%	1 643	3.2%	113 000	4.6%
Some secondary	400 223	44.3%	451 892	45.1%	7 637	21.2%	69 461	15.4%	15 586	30.5%	944 799	38.6%
Grade 12	272 443	30.2%	270 470	27.0%	12 388	34.4%	165 330	36.6%	17 032	33.4%	737 663	30.2%
Higher	80 864	9.0%	87 390	8.7%	12 445	34.6%	204 282	45.2%	10 461	20.5%	395 442	16.2%
Other	2 892	0.3%	3 357	0.3%	445	1.2%	5 827	1.3%	912	1.8%	13 433	0.5%
Total	902 764	100.0%	1 002 931	100.0%	35 974	100.0%	452 208	100.0%	51 048	100.0%	2 444 925	100.0%

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Economic Profile – 2011 Census

Cape Town Labour Force Indicators	Black African	Coloured	Asian	White	Other	Total
Population aged 15 to 64 years	**1 024 871**	**1 078 456**	**38 443**	**409 264**	**53 178**	**2 604 212**
Labour Force	**675 037**	**662 814**	**23 719**	**301 202**	**37 457**	**1 700 229**
Employed	441 911	512 551	21 369	287 029	31 379	1 294 239
Unemployed	233 126	150 263	2 350	14 173	6 078	405 990
Not Economically Active	**349 834**	**415 642**	**14 724**	**108 062**	**15 721**	**903 983**
Discouraged Work-seekers	40 453	37 010	553	2 481	936	81 433
Other not economically active	309 381	378 632	14 171	105 581	14 785	822 550
Rates %						
Unemployment rate	34.54%	22.67%	9.91%	4.71%	16.23%	23.88%
Labour absorption rate	43.12%	47.53%	55.59%	70.13%	59.01%	49.70%
Labour Force participation rate	65.87%	61.46%	61.70%	73.60%	70.44%	65.29%

Definitions:

Unemployment rate is the proportion of the labour force that is unemployed.
The **labour absorption rate** is the proportion of working age (15 to 64 years) population that is employed.
The **labour force participation rate** is the proportion of the working age population that is either employed or unemployed.

Cape Town Monthly Household Income	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No income	85 427	19.2%	37 399	10.4%	1 542	10.8%	19 522	8.4%	2 627	14.5%	146 517	13.7%
R 1 - R 1 600	120 800	27.2%	53 104	14.8%	965	6.8%	7 445	3.2%	2 754	15.2%	185 068	17.3%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	102 325	23.0%	55 849	15.6%	966	6.8%	8 633	3.7%	3 051	16.9%	170 824	16.0%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	64 708	14.5%	66 488	18.5%	1 459	10.2%	18 853	8.1%	2 919	16.2%	154 427	14.5%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	35 420	8.0%	62 286	17.4%	2 149	15.1%	37 117	15.9%	2 376	13.1%	139 348	13.0%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	20 520	4.6%	47 952	13.4%	2 852	20.0%	53 255	22.9%	2 046	11.3%	126 625	11.8%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	10 835	2.4%	26 390	7.4%	2 564	18.0%	51 619	22.2%	1 452	8.0%	92 860	8.7%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	3 122	0.7%	6 889	1.9%	1 240	8.7%	26 190	11.2%	577	3.2%	38 018	3.6%
R 102 401 or more	1 615	0.4%	2 257	0.6%	523	3.7%	10 151	4.4%	268	1.5%	14 814	1.4%
Unspecified	9	0.0%	15	0.0%	6	0.0%	41	0.0%	2	0.0%	73	0.0%
Total	444 781	100.0%	358 629	100.0%	14 266	100.0%	232 826	100.0%	18 072	100.0%	1 068 574	100.0%

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Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Cape Town Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	250 762	56.4%	327 383	91.3%	13 852	97.1%	230 575	99.0%	14 961	82.8%	837 533	78.4%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	54 500	12.3%	18 082	5.0%	150	1.1%	337	0.1%	1 889	10.5%	74 958	7.0%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	134 914	30.3%	7 531	2.1%	141	1.0%	387	0.2%	850	4.7%	143 823	13.5%
Other	4 607	1.0%	5 634	1.6%	123	0.9%	1 528	0.7%	369	2.0%	12 261	1.1%
Total	444 783	100.0%	358 630	100.0%	14 266	100.0%	232 827	100.0%	18 069	100.0%	1 068 575	100.0%

Cape Town Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	154 665	34.8%	118 932	33.2%	3 717	26.1%	74 636	32.1%	3 296	18.2%	355 246	33.2%
Owned but not yet paid off	34 344	7.7%	102 890	28.7%	4 649	32.6%	78 435	33.7%	3 116	17.2%	223 434	20.9%
Rented	121 940	27.4%	108 375	30.2%	5 280	37.0%	73 309	31.5%	10 439	57.8%	319 343	29.9%
Occupied rent-free	114 245	25.7%	20 074	5.6%	407	2.9%	3 702	1.6%	796	4.4%	139 224	13.0%
Other	19 586	4.4%	8 358	2.3%	213	1.5%	2 744	1.2%	422	2.3%	31 323	2.9%
Total	444 780	100.0%	358 629	100.0%	14 266	100.0%	232 826	100.0%	18 069	100.0%	1 068 570	100.0%

Cape Town Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	215 385	48.4%	327 488	91.3%	13 825	96.9%	230 677	99.1%	14 369	79.5%	801 744	75.0%
Piped water inside yard	105 816	23.8%	20 984	5.9%	244	1.7%	1 086	0.5%	2 822	15.6%	130 952	12.3%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	93 311	21.0%	5 499	1.5%	118	0.8%	259	0.1%	583	3.2%	99 770	9.3%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	26 777	6.0%	1 595	0.4%	44	0.3%	303	0.1%	170	0.9%	28 889	2.7%
No access to piped water	3 492	0.8%	3 064	0.9%	35	0.2%	501	0.2%	126	0.7%	7 218	0.7%
Total	444 781	100.0%	358 630	100.0%	14 266	100.0%	232 826	100.0%	18 070	100.0%	1 068 573	100.0%

Cape Town Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	347 953	78.2%	334 273	93.2%	13 939	97.7%	229 302	98.5%	17 122	94.7%	942 589	88.2%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	14 325	3.2%	3 924	1.1%	118	0.8%	2 595	1.1%	284	1.6%	21 246	2.0%
Chemical toilet	11 309	2.5%	881	0.2%	26	0.2%	79	0.0%	46	0.3%	12 341	1.2%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	1 581	0.4%	600	0.2%	13	0.1%	96	0.0%	25	0.1%	2 315	0.2%
Pit toilet without ventilation	1 286	0.3%	447	0.1%	9	0.1%	43	0.0%	22	0.1%	1 807	0.2%
Bucket toilet	39 800	8.9%	8 297	2.3%	63	0.4%	119	0.1%	231	1.3%	48 510	4.5%
Other	6 627	1.5%	3 680	1.0%	37	0.3%	221	0.1%	134	0.7%	10 699	1.0%
None	21 900	4.9%	6 528	1.8%	63	0.4%	370	0.2%	207	1.1%	29 068	2.7%
Total	444 781	100.0%	358 630	100.0%	14 268	100.0%	232 825	100.0%	18 071	100.0%	1 068 575	100.0%

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Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Cape Town Refuse Disposal	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Removed by local authority/private company at least once a week	393 751	88.5%	352 156	98.2%	14 034	98.4%	229 829	98.7%	17 518	97.0%	1 007 288	94.3%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	5 248	1.2%	895	0.2%	46	0.3%	924	0.4%	147	0.8%	7 260	0.7%
Communal refuse dump	25 631	5.8%	2 656	0.7%	111	0.8%	1 053	0.5%	162	0.9%	29 613	2.8%
Own refuse dump	12 506	2.8%	1 455	0.4%	21	0.1%	531	0.2%	169	0.9%	14 682	1.4%
No rubbish disposal	6 145	1.4%	825	0.2%	26	0.2%	181	0.1%	33	0.2%	7 210	0.7%
Other	1 499	0.3%	642	0.2%	29	0.2%	308	0.1%	40	0.2%	2 518	0.2%
Total	444 780	100.0%	358 629	100.0%	14 267	100.0%	232 826	100.0%	18 069	100.0%	1 068 571	100.0%

Cape Town Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	388 533	87.4%	352 386	98.3%	14 117	98.9%	231 527	99.4%	17 765	98.3%	1 004 328	94.0%
Gas	1 461	0.3%	756	0.2%	35	0.2%	419	0.2%	47	0.3%	2 718	0.3%
Paraffin	40 004	9.0%	822	0.2%	31	0.2%	106	0.0%	101	0.6%	41 064	3.8%
Candles	12 854	2.9%	3 087	0.9%	39	0.3%	128	0.1%	85	0.5%	16 193	1.5%
Solar	777	0.2%	670	0.2%	27	0.2%	374	0.2%	29	0.2%	1 877	0.2%
None	1 151	0.3%	908	0.3%	18	0.1%	273	0.1%	41	0.2%	2 391	0.2%
Total	444 780	100.0%	358 629	100.0%	14 267	100.0%	232 827	100.0%	18 068	100.0%	1 068 571	100.0%

Cape Town Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	372 652	83.8%	335 350	93.5%	11 621	81.4%	200 418	86.1%	16 215	89.7%	936 256	87.6%
Gas	28 199	6.3%	17 875	5.0%	2 446	17.1%	30 085	12.9%	1 498	8.3%	80 103	7.5%
Paraffin	39 619	8.9%	1 094	0.3%	36	0.3%	169	0.1%	136	0.8%	41 054	3.8%
Wood	824	0.2%	1 618	0.5%	32	0.2%	268	0.1%	24	0.1%	2 766	0.3%
Coal	254	0.1%	146	0.0%	1	0.0%	50	0.0%	9	0.0%	460	0.0%
Animal dung	259	0.1%	103	0.0%	6	0.0%	65	0.0%	8	0.0%	441	0.0%
Solar	639	0.1%	495	0.1%	24	0.2%	265	0.1%	32	0.2%	1 455	0.1%
Other	908	0.2%	787	0.2%	81	0.6%	1 265	0.5%	72	0.4%	3 113	0.3%
None	1 429	0.3%	1 160	0.5%	21	0.1%	243	0.1%	74	0.4%	2 927	0.3%
Total	444 783	100.0%	358 628	100.0%	14 268	100.0%	232 828	100.0%	18 068	100.0%	1 068 575	100.0%

Cape Town Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	172 979	38.9%	295 389	82.4%	11 480	80.5%	180 607	77.6%	12 436	68.8%	672 891	63.0%
Gas	12 355	2.8%	5 642	1.6%	747	5.2%	18 275	7.8%	642	3.6%	37 661	3.5%
Paraffin	155 871	35.0%	2 189	0.6%	122	0.9%	515	0.2%	897	5.0%	159 594	14.9%
Wood	3 770	0.8%	5 244	1.5%	233	1.6%	10 037	4.3%	327	1.8%	19 611	1.8%
Coal	898	0.2%	306	0.1%	13	0.1%	497	0.2%	32	0.2%	1 746	0.2%
Animal dung	286	0.1%	218	0.1%	19	0.1%	133	0.1%	12	0.1%	668	0.1%
Solar	927	0.2%	830	0.2%	79	0.6%	2 051	0.9%	85	0.5%	3 972	0.4%
Other	26	0.0%	20	0.0%	0	0.0%	39	0.0%	3	0.0%	88	0.0%
None	97 670	22.0%	48 792	13.6%	1 573	11.0%	20 673	8.9%	3 635	20.1%	172 343	16.1%
Total	444 782	100.0%	358 630	100.0%	14 266	100.0%	232 827	100.0%	18 069	100.0%	1 068 574	100.0%

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