

**Table 2a Residents in island groups by gender, age group and whether Gaelic speakers**

Island group	Total persons		Percentage of persons who are male		Percentage in age group				Percentage of persons aged 3 or over who speak Gaelic	
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	2001	1991	2001	1991	2001	1991	2001	1991	2001	1991
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>5,062,011</b>	<b>4,998,567</b>	<b>48.1</b>	<b>47.9</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Inhabited island groups</b>	<b>99,638</b>	<b>102,757</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>26.7</b>
<i>Argyll &amp; Bute</i>										
Bute	7,228	7,354	46.9	45.9	17.5	17.5	28.2	29.2	1.2	1.1
Coll	164	172	52.4	48.8	17.7	16.4	15.2	22.8	12.0	13.3
Colonsay	113	106	45.1	48.1	14.2	17.8	26.5	25.2	23.9	27.9
Easdale <sup>1</sup>	58	..	50.0	..	15.5	..	22.4	..	7.0	..
Gigha	110	143	50.9	49.0	17.3	13.8	24.5	17.2	14.2	15.6
Iona	125	130	40.8	49.2	10.4	14.7	20.8	20.9	4.9	5.4
Islay	3,457	3,538	49.3	48.9	19.8	20.9	21.6	18.6	24.5	35.3
Jura	188	196	52.7	51.0	21.3	22.1	13.3	17.9	11.0	18.0
Lismore	146	140	49.3	49.3	15.1	12.9	39.7	27.3	29.0	32.8
Luing <sup>4</sup>	220	182	48.6	45.6	21.4	17.2	23.6	28.3	3.3	14.1
Mull	2,696	2,708	48.7	48.7	18.2	20.2	21.1	22.1	13.4	16.7
Seil <sup>1</sup>	560	547	47.0	48.4	15.0	19.8	22.1	21.6	3.6	8.6
Tiree	770	768	46.8	49.1	19.0	20.6	29.1	28.8	48.6	58.8
<i>Eilean Siar</i>										
Barra	1,078	1,244	49.9	49.3	22.3	24.4	21.0	15.9	69.4	76.0
Benbecula	1,249	1,803	50.2	53.7	22.4	27.4	13.0	7.8	58.1	46.0
Berneray (North Uist)	136	141	51.5	46.1	14.7	17.1	27.2	31.5	63.7	89.1
Eriskay	133	179	56.4	55.9	18.8	25.6	29.3	14.4	79.8	78.7
Great Bernera	233	262	48.1	48.9	16.7	12.5	28.3	27.8	64.9	79.9
Grimsay (North)	201	215	53.2	53.0	19.4	20.6	23.4	19.6	72.6	88.3
Lewis and Harris	19,918	21,737	48.9	49.2	18.0	20.3	23.7	22.7	58.6	67.4
North Uist	1,320	1,459	50.5	50.1	20.2	19.9	21.8	20.1	68.0	75.2
Scalpay (Harris)	322	382	50.0	47.1	19.9	18.2	32.9	27.6	86.2	93.5
South Uist	1,818	2,106	51.6	52.0	22.4	25.6	19.7	15.9	72.6	80.6
Vatersay	94	72	47.9	48.6	31.9	31.0	21.3	9.9	58.9	79.1
<i>Highland</i>										
Eigg	131	141	45.0	48.2	19.8	30.1	9.2	13.7	17.2	20.5
Raasay	194	163	53.6	43.6	18.0	10.4	30.4	33.5	38.0	61.5
Skye	9,251	8,868	49.1	49.4	19.4	21.0	20.5	21.4	37.9	47.2
<i>North Ayrshire</i>										
Arran	5,058	4,474	48.2	47.1	17.8	17.8	26.7	26.0	1.5	1.6
Great Cumbrae	1,434	1,393	46.1	44.4	12.1	13.2	36.9	38.1	1.4	1.5
<i>Orkney Islands</i>										
Burray	357	363	48.7	51.8	23.5	26.0	16.5	17.4	0.3	0.0
Eday	121	166	51.2	54.2	14.9	23.8	21.5	17.7	0.0	1.3
Flotta	81	126	50.6	47.6	17.3	25.0	22.2	14.8	1.3	0.8
Hoy <sup>3</sup>	392	477	51.0	49.7	18.1	18.0	21.7	18.4	1.3	0.9
Mainland of Orkney <sup>3</sup>	15,339	15,128	48.9	48.4	20.1	20.7	19.5	19.0	0.5	0.5
North Ronaldsay	70	92	55.7	53.3	11.4	16.3	28.6	20.7	0.0	0.0
Papa Westray	65	85	53.8	51.8	23.1	11.9	18.5	22.6	0.0	0.0
Rousay	267	291	49.4	49.8	23.6	27.6	15.7	11.9	0.4	0.7
Sanday (Orkney)	478	533	49.8	54.2	22.6	22.2	20.5	18.0	1.3	1.0
Shapinsay	300	322	50.0	52.2	15.7	15.7	24.0	26.0	0.3	0.0
South Ronaldsay	854	943	52.0	49.0	18.0	25.7	18.6	17.5	0.5	0.3
Stronsay	358	382	50.6	50.3	20.7	22.5	22.1	14.6	0.0	0.3
Westray	563	704	54.2	50.3	16.9	22.0	26.5	22.8	0.5	0.1

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<i>Shetland Islands</i>										
Bressay	384	352	52.9	53.4	22.4	21.6	18.5	17.7	1.1	1.2
East Burra	66	72	53.0	50.0	22.7	24.7	18.2	17.8	0.0	0.0
Fair Isle	69	67	55.1	52.2	29.0	25.0	13.0	10.3	0.0	0.0
Fetlar	86	90	50.0	46.7	14.0	21.8	26.7	32.2	0.0	1.2
Housay	76	85	53.9	52.9	18.4	19.5	25.0	13.8	0.0	1.2
Mainland of Shetland	17,575	17,596	50.0	50.0	22.1	23.2	15.7	15.8	0.5	0.5
Muckle Roe	104	115	48.1	50.4	25.0	21.7	15.4	19.1	0.0	0.0
Trondra	133	117	54.9	53.8	24.8	29.1	5.3	6.8	0.0	0.0
Unst	720	1,055	51.4	55.4	21.1	23.3	17.9	12.5	0.3	0.2
West Burra	784	857	50.5	50.5	18.0	25.9	19.0	15.6	0.0	0.1
Whalsay	1,034	1,041	51.4	50.1	23.6	26.0	17.1	14.0	0.3	0.5
Yell	957	1,075	52.0	50.9	18.7	19.7	24.3	19.6	0.1	0.1

Footnotes

- 1 See note 1. in Appendix under section entitled '*Difference between "individual island" and "island group"*'.
- 3 See note 3. in Appendix under section entitled '*Difference between "individual island" and "island group"*'.
- 4 See note 4. in Appendix under section entitled '*Difference between "individual island" and "island group"*'.