

Introduction

This excel file contains projections of the population within the county of Wiltshire following local government reorganisation on 1st April 1997. On that date Thamesdown Borough Council became an independent Unitary Authority and is now called Swindon Borough Council.

The data supplied here shows total figures for dwellings, households and population broken down into parishes, and community areas in the county. Community areas are centred on the main towns in the county and, with the exception of Salisbury, include their surrounding rural parishes.

Note that a number of community area boundaries changed on 1st April 2009. Details of these changes are provided on the next sheet.

Figures are rounded to the nearest ten, but users should be aware that they may not be accurate to that level. The estimates were created in April 2006, which was five years since the last census, and the reliability of such estimates inevitably decreases as time elapses since the last census count. In this respect, all population projections will reflect expected trends with respect to births, deaths, migration and possibly household size. In the case of small areas, however, a key determinant will often be the expected changes in the local dwelling stock, most importantly the scale of new build.

The Popgroup model that was used to produce the upper level projections follows the well-established cohort survival methodology. In its simplest form, this assumes that a group of people living in an area at any one time will be one year older one year later. A small proportion will have died, a proportion of women will have borne children, and a number of people will have moved into or out of the area. The projections for community areas are output directly from Popgroup.

Wiltshire Council produces an annual dataset presenting the expected completion date of any housing site including ten or more houses. This dataset is called the five year land supply, and the sites included are referred to as large sites. The data from the five year land supply has been input directly into the model. This leaves only small sites (including less than ten houses) to be accounted for.

The average number of small sites completed per year has been calculated for each small area. These have then been added to the large sites to create a first estimate of dwelling completions in each small area. However, when these small areas are aggregated into Community Areas, there will inevitably be some discrepancy with the dwelling totals from the Structure Plan led upper level projection. These discrepancies have been accounted for by controlling the small completions to the desired total. This results in what is considered a fair distribution of the additional dwellings across the small areas.

The estimation model uses these dwellings totals and converts them to households and household populations using the same methodology as for the small area estimates. However, this leaves the non-household population to be accounted for. For this, the totals have been left constant from the final small area estimate in 2006. In all cases, the dwellings, households and populations are constrained to those provided in the Structure Plan led projection.

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Parish	New Community Area	Old Community Area		
Berwick St. James	Amesbury	Wilton		
Great Wishford	Amesbury	Wilton		
Stapleford	Amesbury	Wilton		
Steeple Langford	Amesbury	Wilton		
Winterbourne Stoke	Amesbury	Wilton		
Wylve	Amesbury	Wilton		
Staverton	Bradford on Avon	Trowbridge		
Wingfield	Bradford on Avon	Trowbridge		
Biddestone	Chippenham	Corsham		
Hullavington	Chippenham	Malmesbury		
Ashton Keynes	Malmesbury	Wotton Bassett		
Leigh	Malmesbury	Wotton Bassett		
Bulkington	Melksham	Trowbridge		
Great Hinton	Melksham	Trowbridge		
Keevil	Melksham	Trowbridge		
Poulshot	Melksham	Devizes		
Seend	Melksham	Devizes		
Semington	Melksham	Trowbridge		
Steeple Ashton	Melksham	Trowbridge		
Burbage	Pewsey	Marlborough		
Buttermere	Pewsey	Marlborough		
Grafton	Pewsey	Marlborough		
Great Bedwyn	Pewsey	Marlborough		
Ham	Pewsey	Marlborough		
Little Bedwyn	Pewsey	Marlborough		
Shalbourne	Pewsey	Marlborough		
Firsdow	South Wiltshire	Amesbury		
Enford	Tidworth	Pewsey		
Fittleton	Tidworth	Pewsey		
Netheravon	Tidworth	Pewsey		
Maiden Bradley with Yarnfield	Warminster	Mere		

