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Introduction

Background

This publication presents information on adult residents in Care Homes in Scotland collected as part of the annual Scottish Care Home Census (SCHC) held at 31st March 2012. The census covers all adult care homes in Scotland that are registered with the Care Inspectorate and data are collected via the Care Inspectorate’s web based “eForms” system. The data collected are at two levels:

- **Aggregated** care home level data includes the number of residents at the census date, along with the number of admissions, discharges and deaths that occurred in the preceding year and information on weekly charges per resident. A distinction is made between the following types of care based on the intention when the individual was admitted to the home. The types of care are:
  - Long stay
  - Respite care
  - Short stay

- **Individual** data on residents in the ‘long stay’ category.

For the purposes of the census residents are classified as long stay, respite or short stay. Further information on the types of care can be found in the glossary.

The SCHC groups care homes into one of the following five main client groups:

- Older people (aged 65 and over)
- Adults with physical disabilities
- Adults with mental health problems
- Adults with learning disabilities
- Other (e.g. for adults with acquired brain injuries, alcohol related problems, drugs related problems, AIDS/HIV and other vulnerable groups)

It is important to note that, where data is shown by client group, this relates to the main client group of the home as designated by the Care Inspectorate. Many care homes provide care for a number of different types of client. The client group of an individual resident may differ from the main client group of the home.

There are three sectors responsible for running care homes: Local Authority/NHS, private and voluntary sector. The SHSC covers all homes, which are registered with the Care Inspectorate, from these three sectors.

Publication of Findings

The statistics contained in this release are presented by the Local Authority area in which the care home is situated.

The publication presents information on:

- **All Care Homes for Adults** - Information on residents in all types of adult care homes in Scotland (see Section 1)
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**Care Homes for Older People** – Information on residents in care homes for which the main client group is older people (see Section 2)

**Care Homes for Other Main Client Groups** – Information on residents in care homes for which the main client group is adults with physical disabilities, adults with mental health problems or adults with learning disabilities (see Section 3)

The publication does not include a separate section on care homes for certain other types of user including homes whose main client group is adults with acquired brain injuries and alcohol and drug problems. This is due to the small numbers of homes in these categories. The section for all adult care homes (Section 1) does include information on these homes.

For the 2011 census ISD published two reports: an interim report and a detailed findings report. For the current and future censuses it is intended that ISD will produce a single annual report.

**Excel tables**

This report is accompanied by a series of excel tables which provide more in-depth information both at Scotland and Local Authority level. A link to the Excel tables can be found via the following link: [Link to Excel Tables](#)

**Trend Data**

Data on the number of care homes, places registered with the Care Inspectorate and residents is available from March 2000 to March 2012. Information on the types of care (i.e. long stay, respite care and short stay), as well as the detailed information on long stay residents is available from March 2003 to March 2012.

**Coverage & Estimation**

**Aggregate Data**

The number of operational Care Homes registered with the Care Inspectorate at the 31st March 2012 census was 1,307. Full or partial responses were received from 1,195 operational care homes giving a response rate of 91 per cent. For those care homes who did not submit data, the figures are imputed based on either previous records available for the care home in question or an average for other care homes of similar size and main client group who did submit a response.

**Long Stay Resident Data**

It should be noted that the response rate for individual data on ‘long stay’ residents in the census has never been 100 per cent. At 31st March 2012, data were returned for 80 per cent (28,640) of ‘long stay’ residents. Further details of how the total number of long stay residents is estimated in the overall population can be found in Appendix A1.

**Uses of Data**

The information contained in the publication, along side other health and social care data, is used for a variety of purposes. It is used by the Scottish Government, health boards and local authorities to monitor policy obligations, both locally and nationally. Data from this census feeds into the Scotland Performs indicator – ‘Increase the percentage of people aged 65 and over with high levels of care needs who are cared for at home’. [http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/Performance/scotPerforms/indicators/CareAtHome](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/Performance/scotPerforms/indicators/CareAtHome)
The data is has been used to monitor elements of Scotland’s national dementia strategy (e.g. measuring levels of formal and informal diagnosis of dementia).


The data is used to facilitate benchmarking with other areas to help share best practice as well as supporting enhanced performance through improved efficiency. The statistics are used along side other health and social care data in discussions that take place between NHS Boards and local partnerships to inform service planning discussions.

The data is used on an annual basis in the National Records of Scotland (NRS) model used to calculate household projections in Scotland.

The information is used by academics for research projects. For example, the Centre for Policy on Aging used data contained in this report for a project looking at the changing role of care homes and future projections of care home population in the UK. http://www.cpa.org.uk/information/reviews/changingroleofcarehomes.pdf
A short summary report on the uses of the Care Home Census information is available in this report.

Related Health and Social Care Information
ISD publish other information that helps to measure the shift in the balance of care to ensure that older people are cared for in their own homes or in a homely setting in the community, wherever possible.

For most patients, following completion of health and social care assessments, the necessary care, support and accommodation arrangements are put in place in the community without any delay in the patient's safe and appropriate discharge from hospital. A ‘delayed discharge’ is a hospital inpatient who has been judged clinically ready for discharge by the responsible clinician, in consultation with all agencies involved in planning the patient’s discharge, who continues to occupy a bed beyond the ready for discharge date. These patients are clinically ready to move on to a more appropriate care setting either within or out with the NHS e.g. patient’s home, care home etc. Further information can be found at the following link: http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Health-and-Social-Community-Care/Delayed-Discharges/

The NHS Continuing Care Census identifies all patients who were receiving NHS Care on the census date. NHS Continuing Care is defined as on-going, non-acute care, delivered as an inpatient, and often over an extended period, either in hospital, hospice or care home. In addition to supporting the need for information about shifting the balance of long term care for older people, this data is also used to inform on the application of the NHS Continuing Health Care guidance. A link to the latest report can be found here: http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Health-and-Social-Community-Care/NHS-Continuing-Care/

The Scottish government publish other information relating to service provision for older people and this can be found at the following website: http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Health/Data

Information on home care statistics can also be found at the above link as well as information on free personal and nursing care.
Key points

Care Homes for All Adults

- As at 31st March 2012 there were 1,307 care homes for adults in Scotland providing 42,807 places to 37,335 residents.
- The majority of care homes for adults, 715 (55 per cent), were run by the private sector, 389 (30 per cent) were run by the voluntary sector and 203 (16 per cent) were run by Local Authorities or Health Boards.

Care Homes for Older People

- As at 31st March 2012 there were 916 care homes for older people providing 38,465 places to 33,636 residents, of whom 32,555 were long stay residents (97 per cent).
- The total numbers of short stay and respite care residents increased from 736 in March 2003 to 1,081 in March 2012, an increase of 47 per cent.
- One in two long stay residents in care homes for older people had a formal diagnosis of dementia. This is an increase of 22 per cent since the March 2003 census. Over the same time period the percentage of residents who have been identified as having dementia but not formally diagnosed has decreased from 14 per cent to 8 per cent.
- At 31st March 2012 around a third of residents had been in the care home for more than three years. The median incomplete length of stay was around 2 years and has remained unchanged for the last eight years.
- The average weekly charge for self-funding long stay residents without nursing care was £632 per week, an increase of 4.0 per cent since the last census period. The average weekly charge for self funding long stay residents with nursing care was £698 an increase of 2.8 per cent from the previous year.

Care Homes for Other Main Client Groups

- The number of ‘long stay’ residents in care homes for adults with learning disabilities fell from 2,489 in March 2003 to 1,699 in March 2012, a decrease of 32 per cent.
- The majority of registered places for adults with physical disabilities, 493 (77 per cent) were provided by the voluntary sector.
Results and Commentary

Section 1 - All Care Homes for Adults

This section provides summary information on all care homes for adults in Scotland and includes:

1.1 Numbers of care homes, places and residents
1.2 Main client group of the care home
1.3 Sector providing care

1.1 Number of Care Homes, Residents and Places for All Adults

As at 31st March 2012 there were 1,307 care homes for adults providing 42,807 places to 37,335 residents. Figure 1 presents information on the number of care homes, registered places and residents for all adults in care homes over time. It shows that the number of care homes has been steadily falling from 1,669 in March 2000 to 1,307 in March 2012, a decrease of 22 per cent. Between March 2000 and March 2012, the number of residents has fallen by 2,919 (7 per cent). Whilst the number of residents being cared for in care homes has fallen between 2000 and 2012, figures from the National Records of Scotland show that over the same time period the number of people aged 65 and over has increased from around 799,500 in 2000 to around 892,400 in 2012, an increase of 12 per cent.

The number of older people being cared for in other care settings has increased over the same time period. For example, recent figures from the Scottish Government show that the proportion of people aged 65 and over receiving intensive home care (10+ hours a week) as a percentage of all older people receiving long term care has increased from 25.6% in 2003 to 32.3% in 2011. These figures reflect the shift in the balance of care agenda (i.e. a move from care homes towards more care being provided in people’s own homes).

http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/Performance/scotPerforms/indicators/CareAtHome

Figure 1: Number of Care Homes¹, Registered Places¹, Residents² for All Adults, March 2000 – March 2012

1 Source: Care Inspectorate
2 Source: ISD, Scottish Care Home Census (SCHC)
Figure 2 shows that the average number of residents per home has increased from 24 residents in March 2000 to 29 residents in March 2012. The average number of registered places per home shows a similar trend: it has risen from 27 places to 33 over the same time period. This could be due to the closure of some very small homes and the building of some large purpose built facilities in recent years. In March 2000 48 per cent of care homes had 20 or fewer registered places, which compares to 37 per cent in March 2012.

The average occupancy at the census point in each year has remained at between 86 and 91 per cent between March 2000 and March 2012. It is important to note that the occupancy rate is likely to vary through the year and the figures represent a snapshot at a point in time. As at 31st March 2012 around 400 (30 per cent of homes) were operating at full capacity.

Figure 2: Average Number of Registered Places per Home, Residents per Home and Percentage Occupancy, March 2000 – March 2012
1.2 Information on Main Client Group of Residents in All Care Homes for Adults

Figure 3 presents information on the number of residents by the main client group of the care home. As at 31\textsuperscript{st} March 2012, 33,636 (90 per cent) of residents were in care homes where the main client group was older people, a decrease from 34,433 in March 2000 (2 per cent).

Figure 3 demonstrates that the number of residents in care homes for adults with learning disabilities has decreased substantially from 3,295 in 2000 to 1,962 in 2012, a decrease of 40 per cent. This is in line with the recommendations outlined in the “The Same as You?” Report, published in May 2000 to ensure people stay in their own homes as far as possible. The number of care homes for adults with learning disabilities has fallen from 380 to 249 over the same time period. The Scottish Consortium for Learning Disability (SCLD) collects additional statistics on the provision of care for people with learning disabilities and can be accessed at the following website: [http://www.scld.org.uk/home](http://www.scld.org.uk/home). The data collected by SCLD and the Scottish Government shows that since 2001 the number of adults with learning disabilities receiving home care services has increased from nearly 1,500 in 2001 to 4,300 in 2011. Around 7,800 adults with learning disabilities now live in their own tenancies, an increase of over 3,500, since these data were first collected in 2003. Further information can be found at the following link: [http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Health/TrendLearningDisabilities](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Health/TrendLearningDisabilities)

\textbf{Figure 3: Number of Residents by Main Client Group\textsuperscript{1} of the Care Home, March 2000 – March 2012}

\textsuperscript{1} Designated by the Care Inspectorate
1.3 Number of Care Homes, Registered Places and Residents for All Adults by Sector

Care homes are currently run either by the Local Authority/NHS, the private sector or by voluntary organisations.

As at 31st March 2012:

- 203 (16 per cent) care homes were run by a Local Authority or by the NHS, providing 5,147 places to 4,492 residents.
- 715 (55 per cent) were privately owned providing 31,705 places to 27,513 residents.
- 389 (30 per cent) were in the voluntary sector providing 5,955 places to 5,330 residents.

Figure 4 presents information on the number of adult care homes over time by the sector providing care. The figures show that over time there has been a changing mix in terms of the sector providing care. Since March 2000 the number of care homes run by a Local Authority or by the NHS has fallen by 25 per cent, from 271 to 203. The number of care homes run by the private sector has fallen by 9 per cent, from 798 to 715. The largest fall has been in the voluntary sector, a fall from 600 to 389 (35 per cent) over the same time period.

Figure 4: Number of Care Homes for All Adults by Sector, March 2000 – March 2012
Figure 5 provides information on the number of registered places by the sector running the care home. Whilst the number of care homes provided in the private sector has fallen (see Figure 4), the number of registered places in the private sector has increased from 29,373 in March 2000 to 31,705 in March 2012, an increase of 8 per cent. The number of registered places in both the Local Authority/NHS and voluntary sectors has fallen steadily over time. Private sector care homes tend to be larger with an average registered capacity of 44 places, compared to an average registered capacity of around 25 places for Local Authority/NHS homes and 15 for voluntary sector care homes.

**Figure 5: Number of Registered Places for All Adults by Sector, March 2000 – March 2012**

Further information on the number of care homes, registered places and residents in each sector can be found through the following link: Link to Excel Tables
Section 2. Care Homes for Older People

As previously reported, at 31st March 2012, 90 per cent of residents in Scotland were in care homes whose main client group is older people. Ninety-five per cent of long stay residents in care homes are aged 65 and over (see section 2.6). This section looks in more depth at those residents and includes information on:

2.1 Sector providing care
2.2 Type of care (long stay, respite, short stay)
2.3 Admissions and discharges of long stay residents
2.4 Source of admission for long stay residents
2.5 Destination on discharge for long stay residents
2.6 Age profile and selected characteristics (medically and non medically diagnosed dementia) of long stay residents
2.7 Length of stay of long stay residents
2.8 Average gross weekly charges for long stay residents

It is important to note that while a home has been classified as a home for older people it may also provide care for residents in other client groups. Further information on care homes for older people can be found via the following link: Link to Excel Tables

2.1 Sector

Figure 6 shows that the number of residents in care homes for older people run by the private sector has increased from 24,337 in March 2000 to 26,224 in March 2012, an increase of 8 per cent. This increase has been more marked from March 2009 onwards. On the other hand the number of residents in both the Local Authority/NHS and the voluntary sectors has fallen steadily over time by 27 and 26 per cent respectively since March 2000. Private sector care homes for older people tend to be larger with an average registered capacity of 48 places, compared to an average registered capacity of around 30 places for both Local Authority/NHS and voluntary sector care homes.

Figure 6: Number of Residents in Care Homes by Sector for Older People, March 2003 – March 2012
2.2 Type of Care (long stay, respite, short stay)

As at 31\textsuperscript{st} March 2012 there were 32,555 long stay residents in care homes for older people accounting for 97 per cent of the total.

Figure 7 presents the number of long stay, short stay and respite care residents in care homes for older people. The number of short stay plus respite care residents has increased from 736 in 2003 to 1,081 in 2012, an increase of 47 per cent. Over the same time period the number of long stay residents has decreased from 33,566 in 2003 to 32,555 in 2012, a decrease of 3 per cent.

\textbf{Figure 7: Number of Long Stay, Respite and Short Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People, March 2003 – March 2012}
2.3 Admissions and Discharges of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People

Figure 8 shows the trend in the annual number of long stay admissions, discharges and deaths throughout each census year in care homes whose main client group is older people. The number of admissions is clearly closely correlated with the number of discharges (including deaths), which lead to registered places becoming available. The number of long stay admissions in the census period 2003/2004 was 14,433, compared to 12,686 in the 2011/2012 census. The percentage of discharges that are recorded as deaths range from 69 per cent in the period 2005/2006 census to 78 per cent for the most recent census period.

Figure 8: Number of Long Stay Admissions, Discharges and Deaths, Census period 2003 - 2012
Individual resident information is collected for long stay residents only. The remainder of this section will look at long stay residents in care homes where the main client group is older people.

### 2.4 Source of Admission of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People

Figure 9 shows the source of admission to care homes for long stay residents. This covers all long stay residents admitted in each census period between 2003 and 2012.

In the latest census period the largest proportion of residents were admitted to care homes from hospitals (50 per cent, which accounts for around 6,340 long stay resident admissions). The information gathered from the SCHC does not allow identification of the type of hospital a resident is admitted from. A further 32 per cent were admitted from their own home, which accounts for around 4,060 long stay residents. The distribution of all sources of admission has remained fairly steady since the March 2003 census.

**Figure 9: Source of Admission of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People, April 2003 – March 2012**

From 2003 to 2006, if Care Homes were unable to provide the information requested then data was imputed based on the results from similar care homes in their area. From 2007 onwards, the data is treated as a sample and percentages are calculated based on the data received with no imputation.
2.5 Destination on Discharge for Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People

Figure 10 shows the destination of long stay residents who were discharged from care homes in each census period. In the latest census period, 78 per cent of discharges were due to deaths. A further 18 per cent were discharged to either another care home or hospital. Very few long stay residents (4 per cent) returned to their own home or supported accommodation / sheltered housing.

**Figure 10: Destination on Discharge of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People, Census period 2003 – 2012**

From 2003 to 2006, if Care Homes were unable to provide the information requested then data was imputed based on the results from similar care homes in their area. From 2007 onwards, the data is treated as a sample and percentages are calculated based on the data received with no imputation.
2.6 Age Profile and Selected Characteristics of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People

Figure 11 shows the age group of long stay residents over time in care homes for older people. Since March 2005, the numbers of long stay residents in the 75-84 age group has been steadily falling, from 11,958 to 11,087 in March 2012, a decrease of 7 per cent. Over the same time period the numbers of long stay residents in the 85-94 age group has been increasing at a similar rate from 12,961 to 13,956 in March 2012, an increase of 8 per cent.

Figure 11: The Number of Long Stay Residents in Each Age Group, March 2003 – March 2012

From 2003 to 2006, if Care Homes were unable to provide the information requested then data was imputed based on the results from similar care homes in their area. From 2007 onwards, the data is treated as a sample and percentages are calculated based on the data received with no imputation.

Figure 12 shows the number of long stay residents with dementia (both medically and non-medically diagnosed). The number of residents with medically diagnosed dementia has increased from 9,758 in March 2003 to 16,563 in March 2012, an increase of 70 per cent. Over the same time period the number of residents with a non medical diagnosis of dementia has fallen from 4,599 to 2,670, a decrease of 42 per cent. These figures reflect recent recommendations outlined in Scotland’s National Dementia Strategy\(^1\) to increase the numbers of people with a formal diagnosis of dementia. The overall number of residents with dementia has been increasing steadily since March 2005.

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Figure 12: Number of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People with Dementia, March 2003 – March 2012

From 2003 to 2006, if Care Homes were unable to provide the information requested then data was imputed based on the results from similar care homes in their area. From 2007 onwards, the data is treated as a sample and percentages are calculated based on the data received with no imputation.

Figure 13 shows the percentage of residents with dementia (both medically and non-medically diagnosed) within each age group as at 31st March 2012. In all age groups over 65 the percentage of long-stay residents with dementia has been increasing at similar rates in recent years. The largest increase has been in the 75-84 age group, which has increased from 44 per cent in March 2003 to 64 per cent in March 2012.

Figure 13: Percentage of Long Stay Residents with Dementia (medically or non-medically diagnosed) by Age Group for All Care Homes for Older People - March 2003 – March 2012

From 2003 to 2006, if Care Homes were unable to provide the information requested then data was imputed based on the results from similar care homes in their area. From 2007 onwards, the data is treated as a sample and percentages are calculated based on the data received with no imputation.
Further information on other resident characteristics can be found via the following link: [Link to Excel Tables](#).

### 2.7 Length of Stay for Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People

For the Scottish Care Home Census the length of stay has been calculated in two different ways - 'complete' or 'incomplete'. A 'complete' length of stay is calculated for any resident who left the care home during the year prior to the census point (it does not include those residents who were still in the care home at the census point). An 'incomplete' length of stay is calculated for everyone who is resident in the care home on the census date and calculates the length of time the individual has been resident in the care home up to the census point. The figures are based on length of stay within a particular care home and will not take account of length of stay in previous care homes.

Figure 14 presents information on both complete and incomplete length of stay for long stay residents in care homes for older people. These data have been collected since 2003. The median complete length of stay has remained fairly constant across the period. The median incomplete length of stay has, with the exception of March 2006, been steadily increasing since March 2003.

#### Figure 14: Length of Stay for Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People

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From 2003 to 2006, if Care Homes were unable to provide the information requested then data was imputed based on the results from similar care homes in their area. From 2007 onwards, the data is treated as a sample and percentages are calculated based on the data received with no imputation.
2.7 Average Gross Weekly Charge for Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People

This section looks at average weekly charges for long stay residents in care homes where the main client group is older people.

From March 2006 the Scottish Care Home Census has required care homes to supply a breakdown of the different charges applied to long stay residents in four different categories as follows:

- Publicly funded, without nursing care
- Publicly funded and receiving nursing care
- Self funders, without nursing care
- Self funders and receiving nursing care

Publicly funded residents are those whose capital is less than £14,500. Publicly funded residents contribute to care home fees from their pensions and any other income and Local Authorities fund the balance. The fees for publicly funded residents are covered in the National Care Home Contract (NCHC), which was developed and introduced in 2007/2008. The rationale for developing the NCHC was to standardise the terms, conditions and fees for publicly funded clients, and to incentivise improvements in quality. The Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) negotiates annually with Scottish Care, the representative body of the independent care home sector, to review the terms of the contract and set appropriate and consistent fee levels across Scotland for publicly funded clients.

Self funders are residents with capital, including property, worth £23,500 or more. The resident must meet his or her care costs in full (over and above any assessed entitlement to free personal and nursing care).

Weekly costs include any money received from the resident, relations or third parties. It also includes any money received from Local Authorities or Health Boards whether for personal care, nursing care or accommodation costs.

Figures 15 and 16 show the average charges across Scotland for long stay residents in each of the above categories. At the 31st March 2012 census the average weekly charge for publicly funded long stay residents was £487 per week without nursing care and £566 per week with nursing care, in line with the rates agreed in the National Care Homes contract (see glossary for further explanation). The average weekly charge for self-funding residents was £607 per week without nursing care and £679 per week with nursing care.

Further information at Local Authority level for the average weekly charges for self funders can be found via the following link: Link to Excel Tables. It is important to note that any comparisons between Local Authority areas should be interpreted with caution. Charges may vary for a variety of reasons such as size of rooms or those with or without en-suite facilities. The charging information presented in this publication does not distinguish between these factors. Please also note that for self funders charges are agreed on a contractual basis between the individual and the care home provider.

As there are now National Standard Rates for publicly funded residents this information is not presented by Local Authority area.
Figures 15: Average Weekly Charge in Care Homes for Long Stay Residents in care Homes for Older People by Source of Funding and Whether Nursing Care Required, March 2007 - March 2012

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Figure 16: Average Weekly Charges for Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Older People by Funding Source
Section 3 Care Homes for Other Main Client Groups

This section contains summary information on care homes for the other main client groups as follows: adults with physical disabilities, adults with mental health problems and adults with learning disabilities. As at 31st March 2012 there were:

- 45 care homes for adults with physical disabilities providing 644 places to 528 residents.
- 74 care homes for adults with mental health problems providing 1,086 places to 960 residents.
- 249 care homes for adults with learning disabilities providing 2,302 places to 1,962 residents.

This section looks in more depth at those residents and includes information on:

3.1 Sector providing care
3.2 Type of care (long stay, respite care, short stay)
3.3 Age profile of long stay residents
3.4 Length of stay of long stay residents

3.1 Sector Providing Care

As at 31st of March there were:

- 410 adults with physical disabilities in voluntary sector care homes, 99 in private sector care homes and 19 in LA/NHS sector care homes.
- 494 adults with mental health problems in voluntary sector care homes, 439 in private sector care homes and 27 in LA/NHS sector care homes.
- 1,014 adults with learning disabilities in voluntary sector care homes, 738 in private sector care homes and 210 in LA/NHS sector care homes.

Figure 17 shows that for all other main client groups the majority of residents as a proportion of the total were in care homes run by the voluntary sector with the highest proportion in care homes for adults with physical disabilities (78 per cent). This is in contrast to care homes where the main client group is older people where the majority of residents are in care homes run by the private sector (see Figure 6).

Figure 17: Number of Residents in Care Homes by Sector for Other Main Client Groups, as at 31st March 2012
3.2 Type of Care (long stay, respite, short stay)

Figure 18 presents the number of long stay residents in care homes for other main client groups. The number of long stay residents in care homes where the main client group is adults with learning disabilities has declined since 2003 (32 per cent). The numbers of long stay residents in homes for adults with mental health problems has shown a slight decline overall. The numbers of long stay residents in homes for adults with physical disabilities has remained the same.

Figure 18: Number of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes for Other Client Groups, March 2003 to March 2012

Figure 19 provides information on the types of admissions for the census period April 2011 to March 2012. It shows that 40 per cent (12,686) of admissions to care homes for older people were classed as long stay. This compares to only 1 per cent in care homes for adults with learning disabilities and 2 per cent in care homes for adults with physical disabilities, where the majority were admissions for respite care.

Figure 19: Number of Admissions to Care Homes Between April 2011 and March 2012 by Resident Type and Main Client Group
3.3 Age Profile of Long Stay Residents

Figure 20 provides a summary by age group of long stay residents in care homes for the other main client groups at 31st March 2012. Twenty-seven per cent of long stay residents in care homes where the main client group is adults with physical disabilities were aged between 45 and 54. Almost a quarter of residents in care homes where the main client group was adults with mental health problems were aged over 65.

**Figure 20: The Number of Long Stay Residents in Each Age Group, as at 31st March 2012**
3.4. Length of Stay of Long Stay Residents

Figure 21 shows the incomplete length of stay for long stay residents in care homes for the other main client groups compared to care homes for older people. Sixty-nine per cent of long stay residents in care homes where the main client group was learning disabilities had been resident in the care home for 5 years or more. This compares to 41 per cent in care homes where the main client group is adults with mental health problems and 24 per cent in care homes for older people.

Figure 21: The Number of Long Stay Residents in Care Homes by Main Client Group and Incomplete Length of Stay category, as at 31st March 2012

Further information on the other main client groups can be found via the following link: Link to Excel Tables
Glossary

**Long Stay Residents**: Long-stay residents are those whose intention when they entered the home was to stay as a permanent resident, regardless of how long they stayed. It may be that some residents enter the home with the intention of only staying for a short time. If you have any residents whose intention was only to stay for a short time but have been resident for more than six weeks, then these residents should be counted as long-stay residents for the purposes of this census.

**Respite residents**: Respite residents are those whose predominant reason for admission was to provide respite or holiday relief for the resident and for their carer. Periods of respite will normally be short, overnight or for a weekend or a few weeks at the most.

**Short-stay residents**: Residents are counted as short stay if their intention at admission was to stay less than six weeks; and at the time of the census or their discharge they did in fact stay less than six weeks; and; the predominant reason for admission was not respite care.

**Mean**: The mean is an average of a set of data, e.g. the numbers of residents in a set of care homes. The mean is the grand total divided by the number of data points, e.g. the average number of residents per home in a set of care homes.

**Median**: The median is the middle value in a sample sorted into ascending order. If the sample contains an even number of values, the median is defined as the average of the middle two.

**Complete Length of Stay**: A ‘complete’ length of stay is calculated for anyone who has left the care home during the year prior to the census. It will include residents who were in the home for short lengths of stay as well as those who had been in the home a long time.

**Incomplete Length of Stay**: An ‘incomplete’ length of stay is calculated for everyone resident in the home at the census date and covers the length of time the individual has been resident in the home up to the census point. These figures are based on length of stay within a particular care home and will not take account of length of stay in previous care homes.

**Publicly funded**: Residents with capital of less than £14,500 (at 31st March 2012). A publicly funded resident contributes to the care home fees from their pensions and any other income and the local authority funds the balance.

The fees for publicly funded residents are covered in the National Care Home Contract (NCHC), which was developed and introduced in 2007/2008. The rational for developing the NCHC was to standardise the terms, conditions and fees for publicly funded clients, and to incentivise improvements in quality. The Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) negotiates annually with Scottish Care, the representative body of the independent care home sector, to review the terms of the contract and set appropriate and consistent fee levels across Scotland for publicly funded clients.

**Self funders**: Residents with capital, including property, worth £23,500 or more. The resident must meet his or her care costs in full (over and above any assessed entitlement to free personal and nursing care).
Where capital falls between £14,500 and £23,500 a resident will be expected to contribute a proportion of his or her assets and income towards the cost of care, and the balance will be made up by the local authority. These residents are also known as publicly funded.
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Appendix

A1 – Background Information

The Scottish Care Home census is intended to cover all adult care home establishments that are registered with the Care Inspectorate. The Care Inspectorate is responsible for regulating a wide range of social services and was established under the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001.

This census was first issued in March 2003 and replaced two previous surveys. It combined the former ‘Residential Care Home Census – R1’ (run by the Scottish Government) and the ‘Private Nursing Homes Census’ (run by ISD Scotland). In March 2006 some of the data collection, relating mainly to care home places, was taken over by the Care Inspectorate. Therefore, this publication excludes tables relating to places in single rooms, en-suite places and occupancy rates that have been published in statistics releases prior to 2006.

Prior to 2010, most census forms were printed and returned to the Scottish Government as paper forms. From 2010, Care Inspectorate collected this information on behalf of the Scottish Government using their web based “eforms” system, though some Care Homes continued to return the survey electronically (using an Excel spreadsheet) direct to the Scottish Government.

For the census periods between 2003 and 2006 where census forms were not submitted the data was imputed. The average response rates in those years averaged at around 75 per cent. If resident details were missing from a particular home, a ‘similar’ home was identified, based on size and client group, for which resident details were available and the details of the missing records were estimated from these. From 2007 onwards, the data is treated as a sample and percentages are calculated based on the data received with no imputation. Further work will be considered to explore the benefits of different imputation options.

Estimated costs to care homes in responding to the care home census

As part of the UKSA assessment ISD were asked to publish an estimate of the cost of respondent burden. As part of a provider feedback survey care homes were asked to give an estimate of the time taken to complete the census. This was combined with an average hourly rate taken from the Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (ASHE). The cost to 1,329 care homes was estimated to be around £104,000.

Feedback
In August 2011 Information Services Division (ISD) sent out a feedback survey to all care homes for adults in Scotland. The survey looked at ease of completing the Care Home Census, the usefulness of the guidance, the time taken to complete the census and any general comments. The findings from the survey are contained in this report. A summary report on the uses of the Care Home Census information is available in this report. The following report published in 2012 outlines issues relating to the quality/reliability of the Scottish Care Home Census statistics: Quality reliability summary.
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Accuracy

The data returns are cross checked with the Care Commission Registration details to validate the number of beds etc. The data is also checked against previous years submissions and any anomalies are discussed with the Care Home concerned.

Completeness

For the aggregate data full or partial responses were received from 1915 care homes giving a response rate for the survey of 91 per cent. For those homes who do not complete the census, data has been imputed either from the previous year or based on an average for the size and type of home (e.g. older people, mental health etc.). Long stay resident information was supplied by 80 per cent of the long stay population.

Comparability

The Scottish Government also collect information on a quarterly basis on the number of residents aged 65+ supported by local authorities in care homes and those receiving free nursing and personal care (http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/317110/0100996.pdf).

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