

Publication Summary



Care Home Census 2013 Statistics on Adult Residents in Care Homes in Scotland



About this Release

This publication presents findings from the March 2013 Scottish Care Home Census. Information is presented on aggregate information on the number of residents and places in care homes broken down by the different client groups, analysed at local authority level and providing data over time. This statistical release also presents more detailed information on long stay residents, e.g., length of stay, gender, age group, resident characteristics and average weekly charges.

Key Points

Care Homes for All Adults

- As at 31st March 2013 there were 1,282 care homes for adults in Scotland providing 42,755 places to 36,578 residents.
- The majority of care homes for adults, 716 (56 per cent), were run by the private sector, 367 (29 per cent) were run by the voluntary sector and 199 (16 per cent) were run by Local Authorities or Health Boards.

Care Homes for Older People

- As at 31st March 2013 there were 911 care homes for older people providing 38,508 places to 32,888 residents, of whom 31,752 were long stay residents (97 per cent).
- The total numbers of short stay and respite care residents increased from 736 in March 2003 to 1,136 in March 2013, an increase of 54 per cent.
- 52% of long stay residents in care homes for older people had a formal diagnosis of dementia compared to 29% in March 2003. 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 2013 around a third of residents have been in the care home for more than three years. The median length of stay for residents still in a care home at the

time of the census was around 2 years and has remained unchanged over the last ten years.

- The average weekly charge for self-funding long stay residents without nursing care was £658 per week, an increase of 4 per cent since the last census period. The average weekly charge for self funding long stay residents with nursing care was £726, an increase of 4 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 1,588 in March 2013, a decrease of 36 per cent.
- The majority of registered places for adults with physical disabilities, 458 (69 per cent), were provided by the voluntary sector.

Background

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. 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.

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