

**2001 Census Profile**  
**Soham Parish**  
**East Cambridgeshire**

RESIDENT POPULATION BY AGE		
Age	Number	% of Total
0-4	558	6.1%
5-9	555	6.1%
10-14	638	7.0%
15	113	1.2%
16-17	221	2.4%
18-19	187	2.1%
20-24	515	5.6%
25-44	2848	31.2%
45-59	1707	18.7%
60-64	439	4.8%
65-74	731	8.0%
75-84	437	4.8%
85+	171	1.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9120</b>	<b>100%</b>

SUMMARY STATISTICS	
Resident population	9102
Number of households	3727
Approximate number of dwellings	3771
Area (hectares)	5245
Population density (people per hectare)	1.74
Average household size (people)	2.45

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS		Number	% of Total
PLACE OF RESIDENCE	Population living in households	9035	99.3%
	Population living in communal establishments	67	0.7%
ETHNIC GROUP	White	8983	98.5%
	Asian/Asian British	25	0.3%
	Black/Black British	22	0.2%
	Mixed	63	0.7%
	Other	23	0.3%
RELIGION	Christian	6996	76.9%
	Other religion	55	0.6%
	No religion/religion not stated	2044	22.5%
STUDENTS	Number of resident full time students and school children aged 16-17	143	
	Number of resident full time students and school children aged 18-74	85	
HEALTH	All persons with a limiting long term illness	1361	15.0%
	All persons declaring not good general health	686	7.5%
CARERS	Total number of people providing unpaid care	750	8.2%

HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS		Number	% of Total
HOUSEHOLD TYPE	<b>One person households</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>25.0%</b>
	Non-pensioner	444	11.9%
	Pensioner	488	13.1%
	<b>One family and no others</b>	<b>2596</b>	<b>69.7%</b>
	Married/cohabiting couple households - no children	850	22.8%
	Married/cohabiting couple households - with dependent children	920	24.7%
	Married/cohabiting couple households - all children non-dependent	265	7.1%
	Lone parent households - with dependent children	139	3.7%
	Lone parent households - all children non-dependent	93	2.5%
	All pensioners	329	8.8%
	<b>Other households</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
	With dependent children	69	1.9%
	All student	0	0.0%
	All pensioner	18	0.5%
Other	112	3.0%	
<b>Total households</b>	<b>3727</b>	<b>100%</b>	
HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS	Households with no-one in employment (% of all households)	1004	26.9%
	Number of households with no adults in employment with dependent children (% of all households with dependent children)	101	8.9%
	Number of lone parent households with dependent children (% of all households with dependent children)	139	12.3%

ACCOMODATION TYPE, CHARACTERISTICS AND TENURE		Number	% of Total
ACCOMODATION TYPE	Detached house or bungalow	1258	33.4%
	Semi-detached house or bungalow	1462	38.8%
	Terraced house or bungalow	751	19.9%
	Flat, maisonette or apartment	281	7.5%
	Caravan or other mobile or temporary structure	34	0.9%
	<b>Total household spaces</b>	<b>3771</b>	<b>100%</b>
DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS	Households without central heating	204	5.5%
	Households without sole use of bath/shower/toilet	6	0.2%
	Overcrowding (one or more too few rooms for size of household)	206	5.5%
	Average household size (people)	2.45	
TENURE	Households where dwelling is owner occupied	2644	70.9%
	Households where dwelling is rented from local authority, housing association or registered social landlord	577	15.5%
	Households where dwelling is rented privately/other	486	13.0%

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY (16-74 population)		Male	Female	Total	% of Total
ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE	<b>Working</b>	<b>2721</b>	<b>2094</b>	<b>4815</b>	<b>72.4%</b>
	Employees	2161	1846	4007	60.3%
	Self-employed	542	160	706	10.6%
	Working students	18	88	102	1.5%
	<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
ECONOMICALLY INACTIVE	Retired	301	442	748	11.3%
	Students	66	81	142	2.1%
	Looking after home/family	9	420	431	6.5%
	Sick/disabled	120	128	230	3.5%
	Other	59	82	137	2.1%
	<b>Total population 16-74</b>	<b>3365</b>	<b>3282</b>	<b>6647</b>	<b>100%</b>

TRAVEL TO WORK	Number	% of Total
Works mainly at or from home	463	9.7%
By car/motor cycle/scooter/moped	3600	75.1%
By bus	124	2.6%
By train	33	0.7%
On foot/bicycle	552	11.5%
Other	24	0.5%

QUALIFICATIONS (16-74 population)	Number	% of Total
None	2294	34.5%
Level 1	1277	19.2%
Level 2	1306	19.6%
Level 3	442	6.6%
Level 4 or 5	855	12.9%
Other/level unknown	477	7.2%

**The resident population:** All the information refers to people normally resident in the area at the time of the census on the night of 29<sup>th</sup> April 2001. It excludes people who were staying temporarily in the area, but includes those who normally lived there but were away on census night (people on holiday, for example). Students were, unlike in 1991, included at their term-time address rather than at their parental address. This change in the total population base means that comparisons with results from the 1991 Census are difficult.

**Households:** The census defines a household as one person living alone or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address and sharing either a living room or sitting room, or at least one meal a day.

**Qualifications:** The census defines levels of qualifications as:

- **Level 1** – 1+ 'O' level passes, 1+ CSE/GCSE any grades, NVQ level 1, Foundation GNVQ
- **Level 2** – 5+ 'O' level passes, 5+ CSEs (grade 1), 5+ GCSEs (grades A-C), School Certificate, 1+ 'A' levels/'AS' levels, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ
- **Level 3** – 2+ 'A' levels, 4+ 'AS' levels, Higher School Certificate, NVQ level 3, Advanced GNVQ
- **Level 4 or 5** – First degree, Higher degree, NVQ levels 4 and 5, HNC, HND, Qualified Teacher Status, Qualified Medical Doctor, Qualified Dentist, Qualified Nurse, Midwife, Health Visitor

**The One Number Census Project:** Shortly after the census, a door-to-door survey - the Census Coverage Survey - was undertaken, providing information on people and households who had been missed from the census. Full details of the missing people have been added to the census database, so that the census represents the whole population.

**Confidentiality:** In order to protect the confidentiality of respondents, small random changes were made to the information collected. Some information was 'swapped' between areas or respondents, and very small numbers were rounded to the nearest 3. This means population and household totals may differ slightly between different tables.

Further results and information on the 2001 Census are available from [www.statistics.gov.uk/census2001](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/census2001). For more information on the census in Cambridgeshire contact The Research Group on 01223 717208, email [research.group@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:research.group@cambridgeshire.gov.uk), or visit the Research Group website on [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/sub/resrchgp/](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/sub/resrchgp/).