

## Population Estimates Trends Updated to mid-2010

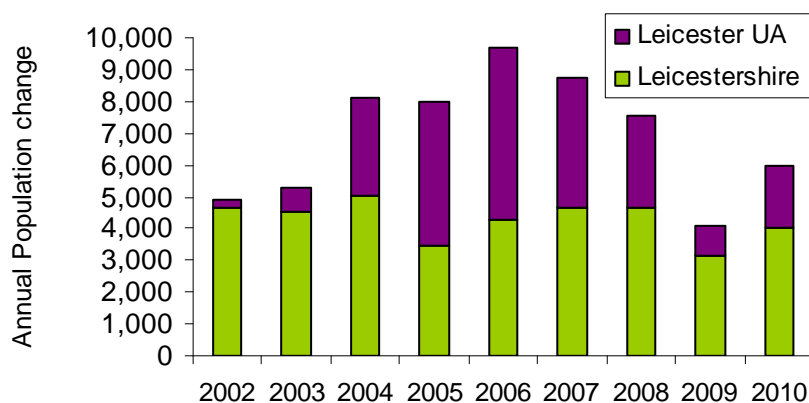
The Office for National Statistics (ONS) estimate of the mid-2010 population for Leicestershire is 648,700, and Leicester 306,600, with the Leicestershire and Leicester sub-region about 955,400 in estimated population. The table below shows the totals for mid-2010 compared to mid-2009, including the districts and Rutland, together with national figures. The estimated percentage increase for 2009-10 was 0.6%, compared to 0.8% nationally. Melton district had the largest percentage increase, 1.3%.

### National Statistics mid-2009 and mid-2010 Population Estimates

	2009	2010	% increase	
<b>Leicester &amp; Leicestershire</b>	<b>949,400</b>	<b>955,400</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	
<b>Leicester UA</b>	<b>304,700</b>	<b>306,600</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	
<b>Leicestershire</b>	<b>644,700</b>	<b>648,700</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	
Blaby	93,600	94,000	0.4%	
Charnwood	165,000	166,800	1.1%	
Harborough	83,400	84,000	0.8%	
Hinckley and Bosworth	104,800	105,100	0.3%	
Melton	48,900	49,500	1.3%	
North West Leicestershire	90,600	90,800	0.2%	
Oadby and Wigston	58,500	58,500	0.0%	
Rutland UA	38,400	38,600	0.5%	
Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland (former County)	987,800	993,900	0.6%	
England	1000s	51,810	52,234	0.8%
UK	1000s	61,792	62,262	0.8%

Source: ONS Population Estimates Unit - 30th June 2011  
 Figures are independently rounded and may not sum.

**Figure 1 Estimated Annual Population Change mid 2001 to mid-2010**



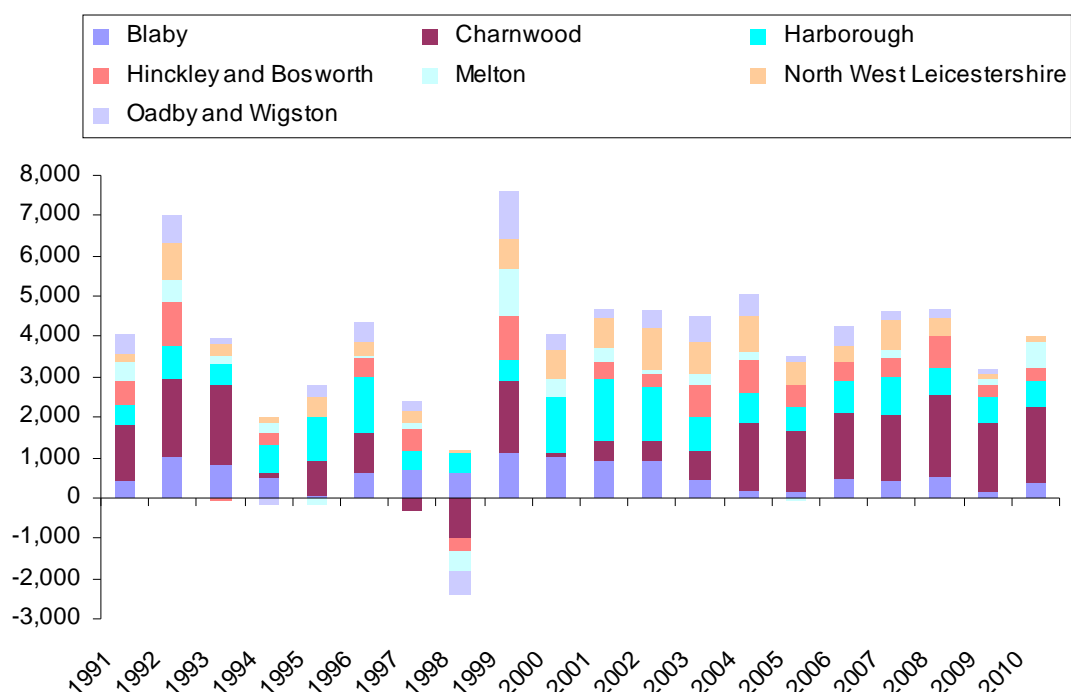
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Figure 1 shows that the estimated population increase higher in both City and County for 2009-2010 than for 2008-09, but lower than for the years from 2004 to 2008. For 2009-2010 the estimated annual population change in Leicester & Leicestershire together was 6,000 compared to 4,100 for 2008-2009, the lowest for the years from 2001 to 2010, compared to the largest estimated annual increase of 9,600 for 2005-2006. From 2004 to 2008 the population estimates were affected by increase in estimated net migration from overseas, especially for Leicester City and Charnwood district.

Figure 2 shows the variation in estimated annual population change by Leicestershire districts over 20 years. These estimates take account of revisions to the ONS estimates current at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011, but do not yet take account of the 2011 Census results. An annual increase has been estimated for each district, apart from the years to mid-1997 and mid-1998. Blaby has had less increase estimated since 2004; Charnwood continued with higher estimated increase from 2004; Harborough has had almost consistent estimated increases for 20 years; Hinckley & Bosworth had higher increases for 2003 to 2008, but variable change for 1990 to 2002; Melton has had an occasional notable annual increase; North West Leicestershire has had notable increases from 1999 up to 2008, Oadby & Wigston had notable increases in some but not all years, but almost no increase from 2007.

**Figure 2 Estimated mid-1991 to mid-2010 Annual Population Change by Leicestershire District**



Source: ONS Population Estimates Unit - 30th June 2011

A spreadsheet showing the current time series of total population estimates from 1981 to 2010, with all revisions current as at June 30<sup>th</sup> 2011, has been

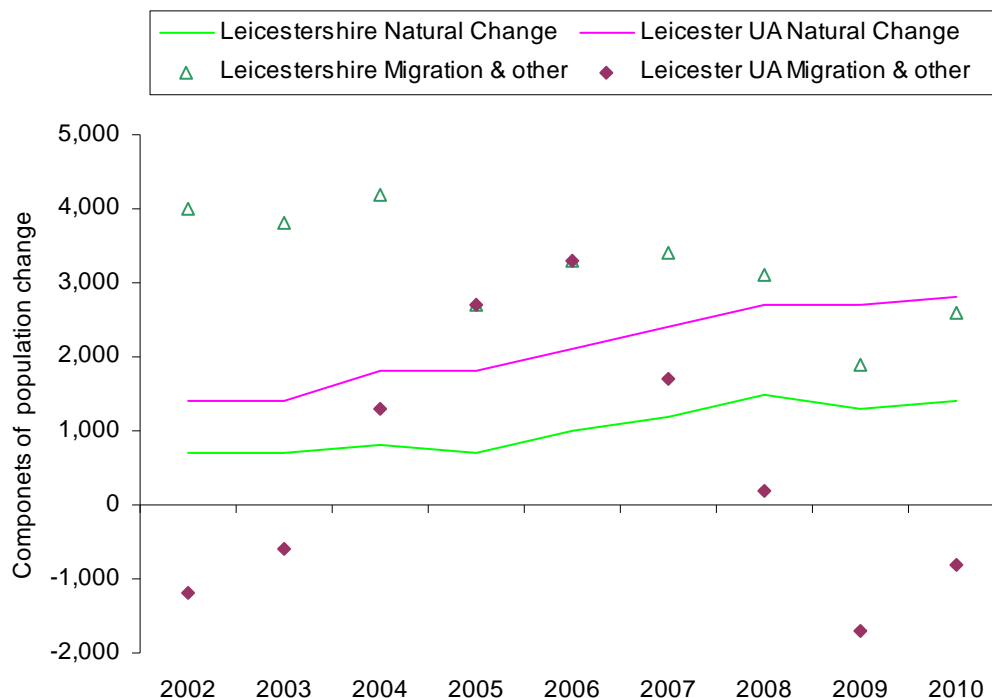
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compiled for Leicestershire and former Leicestershire local authorities, and is available with this report on LSR-online.

### Population estimates components of change 2001-2010

Office for National Statistics (ONS) mid-year estimates of resident population are based on counts at the time of each census and are updated annually using data on births and deaths occurrences and estimated migration. Past figures for the migration change component are usually revised following each census, and sometimes when better evidence becomes available between censuses. Estimated population change attributable to natural change (the population change from the difference between births and deaths) and net migration is shown below.

**Figure 3 Estimated Annual Components of Change in Population for Leicester County and UAs 2001 to 2010**



	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Natural Change</b>									
Leicestershire	700	700	800	700	1,000	1,200	1,500	1,300	1,400
Leicester UA	1,400	1,400	1,800	1,800	2,100	2,400	2,700	2,700	2,800
<b>L &amp; L</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>4,200</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>4,200</b>
Rutland UA	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0
<b>Migration &amp; other</b>									
Leicestershire	4,000	3,800	4,200	2,700	3,300	3,400	3,100	1,900	2,600
Leicester UA	-1,200	-600	1,300	2,700	3,300	1,700	200	-1,700	-800
<b>L &amp; L</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>5,500</b>	<b>5,500</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,800</b>
Rutland UA	300	400	700	500	500	100	700	300	200

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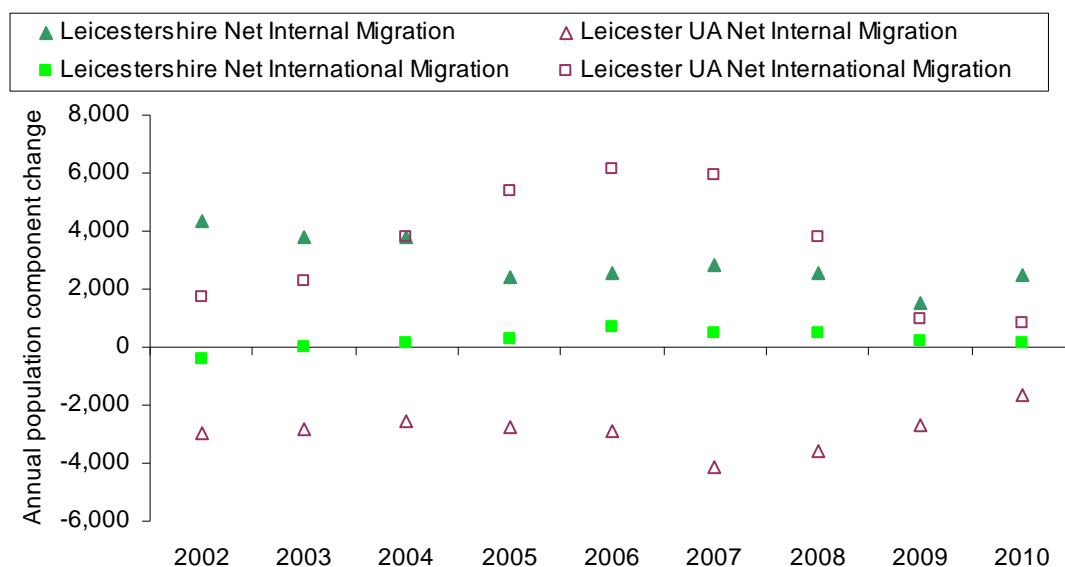
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The contribution of natural change has increased and in Leicestershire and Leicester City is now double what it was in 2002 and 2003, due to a large increase in births. Leicester City has had twice as much population increase from natural change as Leicestershire in each year since 2001. Migration is very variable from year to year, with a level estimated for Leicestershire between 1,900 for 2008-2009 and 4,200 for 2003-2004, and for Leicester City between -1,700 for 2008-2009 and 3,300 for 2005-2006.

The 'Migration and other' figures shown here are the result of all population movement to and from the area whether internal (within the UK) or international (outside UK), as published by ONS using revised methodology from June 2010. The revised methodology mostly affects the distribution around the country of overseas migrants and students. In Leicester and Leicestershire there is a very small element of prisoner and school boarder movements making up 'other changes'. In Rutland these 'other changes' also include armed forces and are quite large in relation to population size, making trends in migration difficult to report on.

Estimated net internal migration and net international migration (including estimates of asylum seekers and visitor switchers) is shown for Leicestershire and Leicester on Figure 4.

**Figure 4 Estimated Internal and International Net Migration Leicestershire and Leicester City 2001 to 2010**



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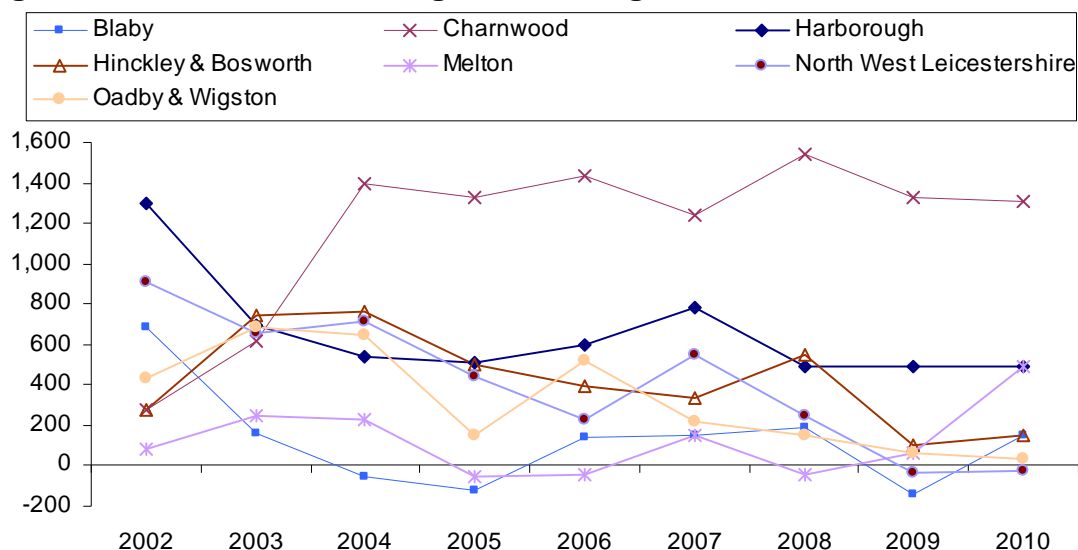
Internal migration within Leicestershire has contributed strongly to annual net population increases, but there has been relatively little net change from international migration. Leicester City has had considerable population gain from international migration, especially between 2004 and 2008 but consistent net loss from internal migration for some time.

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Migration change in 2009 and 2010 has shown a somewhat different pattern to previous years, including lower levels of in and out movement.

Figure 5 shows estimated migration for Leicestershire districts. Charnwood district shows a high level of population change from 2003 estimated from net migration. Charnwood and Oadby & Wigston (as well as Leicester City) have significant university student populations, and the high level of population movement associated with these groups makes population difficult to estimate.

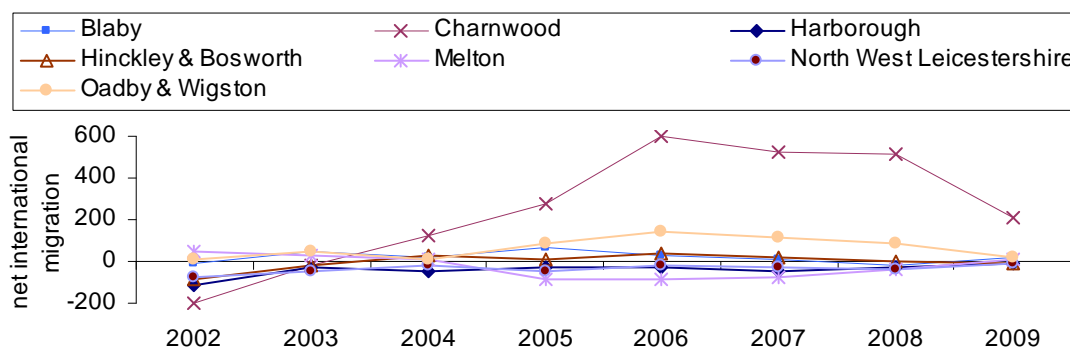
**Figure 5 Estimated Annual Migration Change for Leicestershire districts**



Source: ONS Population Estimates Unit - 30th June 2011

Figure 6 shows Charnwood and Oadby & Wigston had the highest estimated net international migration in Leicestershire, with other Leicestershire districts having very little estimated net international migration.

**Figure 6 Estimated Net International Migration Change for Leicestershire Districts**



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### Further population estimates information

A report on LSR-online from October 2010 gave the 2009 updated population estimates and some information on revisions to the 2002 to 2008 total population estimates. LSR-online report spreadsheets provide figures for age and sex structure in 2009 and 2010: [http://www.lsr-online.org/reports/population\\_estimates\\_2010\\_by\\_age\\_and\\_sex](http://www.lsr-online.org/reports/population_estimates_2010_by_age_and_sex)

The ONS web site provides further information on their current and past population estimates. ONS are due to revise the structure of their website on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2011, but currently this is the address for population datasets for all local authorities by age and sex:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=15106>

The Population analysis tool here provides more details, including components of change:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=14060>

Migration indicators for local authorities are provided here:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=15239>

Revised experimental estimates for ethnic groups by district up to mid-2009 were published by ONS in May 2011 and are reported on for Leicester & Leicestershire in a separate report: [http://www.lsr-online.org/reports/ethnic\\_group\\_population\\_estimates\\_2001\\_2009\\_ons\\_experimental](http://www.lsr-online.org/reports/ethnic_group_population_estimates_2001_2009_ons_experimental)

ONS Experimental small area estimates are available for 2001-09 and 2010 estimates for Lower Super Output Areas are scheduled for 28<sup>th</sup> September 2011. Further information will be provided on the ONS websites and LSR-online.

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