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1. Relevant Background and Introduction

- 1.1 The Census 2021 was undertaken on 21 March 2021. The first results were published on 24 May 2022; the second publication, the first with local government level results was published on 22 September 2022.
- 1.2 The third publication, covering 'Health and Care' and 'Housing and Accommodation' at local government district level, was published on 15 December 2022.
- 1.3 This paper and Appendix 1 cover the data published for the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council area, comparing it against the figures in 2011 and the 2021 NI averages.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 General health in Fermanagh and Omagh was comparative to both 2011 and the 2021 NI average, with 79% of the population reporting their health as either 'Very Good' or 'Good' – 80% in 2011 and 79% for the 2021 NI average.
- 2.2 Almost one-quarter of residents (24%) note that their daily activities are limited by a long-term health problem or disability. This is an increase from 21% in 2011 and comparable to the NI average (also 24%).
- 2.3 Similarly, the proportion of people reporting long term health conditions has increased to 34%, from 30% in 2011.

- 2.4 The proportion of people providing unpaid care (to a sick relative or person) has not changed over the decade – 12%. However, those who do provide unpaid care are now providing more hours of unpaid care than they were a decade ago (7% providing over 20 hours in comparison to 5% in 2011). Unpaid care levels are similar at the NI level in 2021.
- 2.5 Accommodation type has not changed significantly over the decade, with detached dwellings accounting for 61% of the total in Fermanagh and Omagh (as it did a decade ago). There have been minor increases in the % of dwellings which are semi-detached and or ‘flat, maisonette, apartment’. The accommodation type in Fermanagh and Omagh varies widely from the NI average, with the latter having proportionately more semi-detached houses, terraced houses and ‘flat, maisonette, apartments.’
- 2.6 The proportion of households reporting adaptations has increased to 22% in 2021, compared to 15% in 2011. The 2021 figure in Fermanagh and Omagh is above the NI 2021 figure of 17%.
- 2.7 Central heating is present in 99% of dwellings; 65% of dwellings in Fermanagh and Omagh use oil central heating; 2% use gas and 32% use ‘other’.
- 2.8 Proportionately more dwellings in Fermanagh and Omagh have some form of renewable energy system than the NI average, 8% and 5% respectively. (The question was not asked in 2011).
- 2.9 Home ownership remains the most common household tenure in both Fermanagh and Omagh and Northern Ireland. However, home ownership has decreased slightly in FODC since 2011 (69% vs 72%), with social rentals also falling (9% vs 10%) and private renting increasing from 16% (2011) to 19% (2021).
- 2.10 Car and van availability in Fermanagh and Omagh remains high, with 86% of houses having access to at least 1 car or van. This is an increase from the 83% in 2011 and above the 2021 NI average (80%). There is a trend towards 2 or more cars/vans available in each household.
- 2.11 The Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) has created a dashboard application for viewing the Census 2021 results. It is available at: <https://explore.nisra.gov.uk/area-explorer-2021/N09000006/>
- 2.12 Fermanagh and Omagh District Council will utilise these results – and further Census publications – in strategies, plans and decision making. The results will also be available through the Key Statistics and Data section on the Council website and will be shared via social media.

3. Resource Implications

3.1 Financial

n/a

3.2 Human Resources

n/a

3.3 Assets and Other Implications

n/a

4. Equality and Good Relations Implications

4.1 Equality

No specific implications. Neutral impact on S75 groups.

4.2 Good Relations

No specific implications. Neutral impact on promotion of good relations.

5. Sustainable Development Implications

No specific implications.

6. Rural Proofing Implications

A rural proofing impact assessment is not required.

7. District Electoral Areas Affected

All

8. Recommendations

RECOMMENDED: that the Council notes the publication of the Census 2021 Health and Housing results publication.

9. Appendices and Attachments

Appendix 1: Census 2021 Health and Housing Results

10. Background Documents

None.

Key to Abbreviations:

Appendix 1 – Census 2021 Results (Initial LGD Publication – 22nd September 2022)

Topic	FODC 2021	FODC 2011	NI 2021
Demographics			
Population	116,812	113,161	1,903,175
Population – Broad Age Bands	0-14 year: 20% 15-39 years: 29% 40-64 years: 33% 65+ years: 18%	0-14 year: 20% 15-39 years: 33% 40-64 years: 32% 65+ years: 14%	0-14 year: 19% 15-39 years: 31% 40-64 years: 32% 65+ years: 17%
Sex	Females: 50% Males: 50%	Females: 50% Males: 50%	Females: 51% Males: 49%
Households	45,715	41,512	768,810
Household Size	1 Person: 31% 2 People: 28% 3 People: 15% 4 People: 14% 5 or More: 12%	1 Person: 27% 2 People: 27% 3 People: 16% 4 People: 15% 5 or More: 14%	1 Person: 31% 2 People: 30% 3 People: 16% 4 People: 14% 5 or More: 9%
Country of Birth and Nationality Statistics			
Country of Birth	NI: 85% England: 4% Scotland: <1% Wales: <1% ROI: 5% Other countries: 5%	NI: 87% England: 4% Scotland: 1% Wales: <1% ROI: 5% Other countries: 4%	NI: 87% England: 4% Scotland: <1% Wales: <1% ROI: 2% Other countries: 7%
Passports Held	UK only: 34% Ireland only: 37% UK & Ireland: 5% Other: 5% No passport: 19%	UK only: 44% Ireland only: 26% UK & Ireland: 1% Other: 3% No passport: 25%	UK only: 47% Ireland only: 27% UK & Ireland: 5% Other: 5% No passport: 16%
National Identity (person based)	British only: 23% Irish only: 41% Northern Irish only: 22% British and Irish only: <1% British and Northern Irish only: 4% Irish and Northern Irish only: 2% British, Irish and Northern Irish only: <1% Other national identities: 6%	British only: 29% Irish only: 35% Northern Irish only: 26% British and Irish only: 1% British and Northern Irish only: 3% Irish and Northern Irish only: 1% British, Irish and Northern Irish only: 1% Other national identities: 5%	British only: 32% Irish only: 29% Northern Irish only: 20% British and Irish only: <1% British and Northern Irish only: 8% Irish and Northern Irish only: 2% British, Irish and Northern Irish only: 1% Other national identities: 7%
Language Statistics			
Main Language	English: 96% Other languages: 4%	English: 97% Other languages: 3%	English: 95% Other languages: 5%
Knowledge of Irish	No ability in Irish: 82%	No ability in Irish: 85%	No ability in Irish: 88%

Topic	FODC 2021	FODC 2011	NI 2021
	Some ability in Irish: 18%	Some ability in Irish: 15%	Some ability in Irish: 12%
Knowledge of Ulster Scots	No ability of Ulster-Scots: 92% Some ability in Ulster-Scots: 8%	No ability of Ulster-Scots: 96% Some ability in Ulster-Scots: 4%	No ability of Ulster-Scots: 90% Some ability in Ulster-Scots: 10%
Religion and Ethnicity Statistics			
Religion	Catholic: 61% Presbyterian: 6% Church of Ireland: 16% Methodist: 3% Other Christian: 4% Other religions: <1% No religion / not stated: 10%	Catholic: 61% Presbyterian: 6% Church of Ireland: 16% Methodist: 3% Other Christian: 4% Other religions: <1% No religion / not stated: 10%	Catholic: 42% Presbyterian: 17% Church of Ireland: 12% Methodist: 2% Other Christian: 7% Other religions: 1% No religion / not stated: 19%
Religion or Religion Brought Up in	Catholic: 64% Protestant and other Christian: 31% Other religions: <1% None: 4%	Catholic: 64% Protestant and other Christian: 33% Other religions: 1% None: 2%	Catholic: 46% Protestant and other Christian: 43% Other religions: 1% None: 9%
Ethnic Group	White: 98% Other ethnic groups: 2%	White: 99% Other ethnic groups: 1%	White: 97% Other ethnic groups: 3%