

City of Cape Town – 2011 Census Suburb Mitchells Plain

July 2013

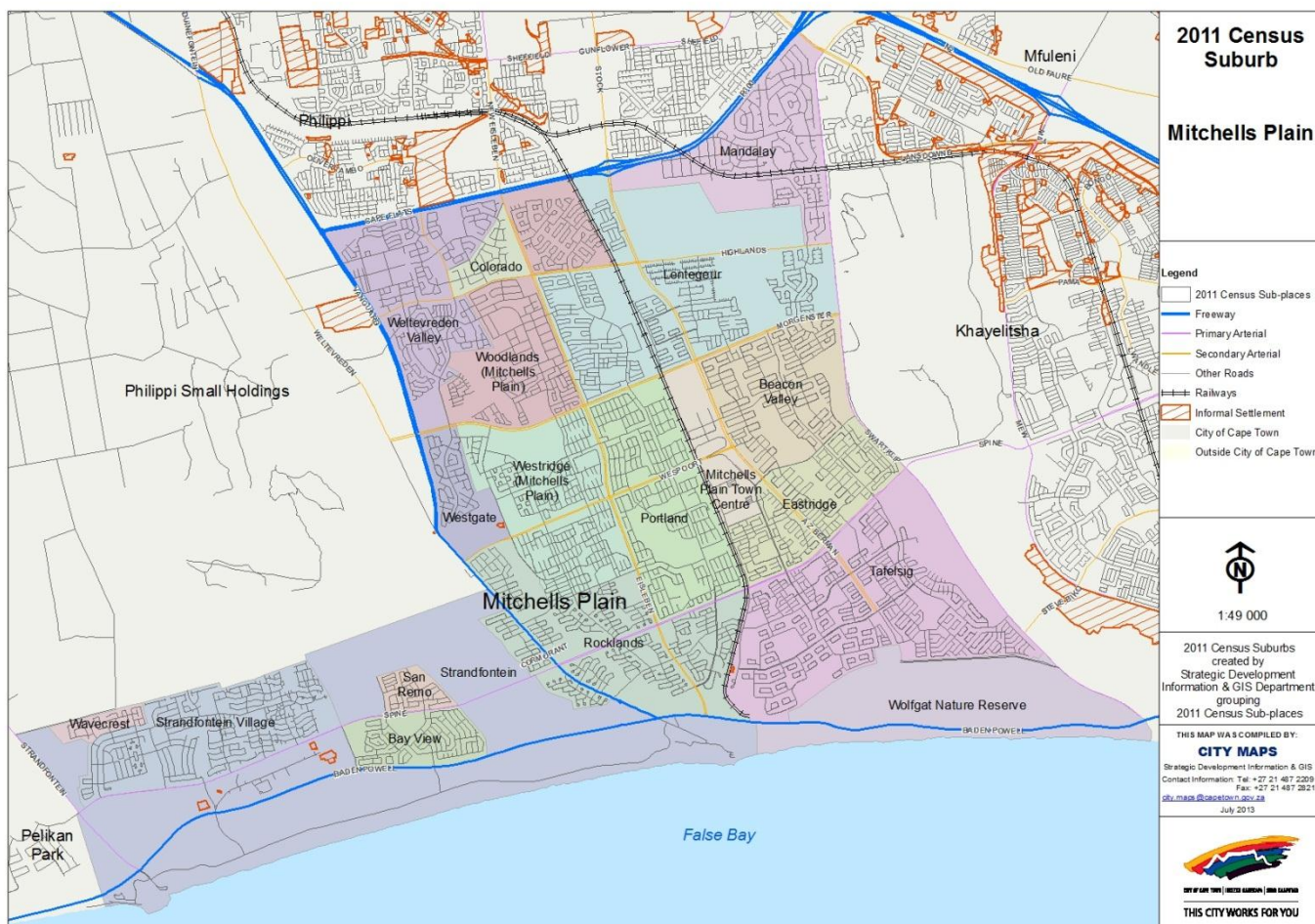
Compiled by Strategic Development Information and GIS Department (SDI&GIS), City of Cape Town
2011 Census data supplied by Statistics South Africa
(Based on information available at the time of compilation as released by Statistics South Africa)

The 2011 Census suburbs (190) have been created by SDI&GIS grouping the 2011 Census sub-places using GIS and December 2011 aerial photography. A sub-place is defined by Statistics South Africa “is the second (lowest) level of the place name category, namely a suburb, section or zone of an (apartheid) township, smallholdings, village, sub-village, ward or informal settlement.”

[Suburb Overview](#), [Demographic Profile](#), [Economic Profile](#), [Dwelling Profile](#), [Household Services Profile](#)

2011 Census Suburb Description

2011 Census suburb Mitchells Plain includes the following sub-places: Bay View, Beacon Valley, Colorado, Eastridge, Lenteguur, Mandalay, Mitchells Plain Town Centre, Portland, Rocklands, San Remo, Strandfontein, Strandfontein Village, Tafelsig, Wavecrest, Weltevreden Valley, Westgate, Westridge (Mitchells Plain), Wolfgat Nature Reserve, Woodlands (Mitchells Plain).



Data Notes:

- The following databases from Statistics South Africa (SSA) software were used to extract the data for the profiles:
Demographic Profile – Descriptive and Education databases
Economic Profile – Labour Force and Head of Household databases
Dwelling Profile – Dwellings database
Household Services Profile – Household Services database
- In some Census suburbs there may be no data for households, or a very low number, as the Census suburb has population mainly living in collective living quarters (e.g. hotels, hostels, students’ residences, hospitals, prisons and other institutions) or is an industrial or commercial area. In these instances the number of households is not applicable. All tables have the data included, even if at times they are “0”, for completeness. The tables relating to population, age and labour force indicators would include the population living in these collective living quarters.
- The Census suburbs where the population is categorised as living mainly in collective living quarters or is an industrial or commercial area, the average household size has been excluded as it is not applicable. There are some Census suburbs with an average household size that have a small percentage of the population living in collective living quarters within that Census suburb, and this could artificially inflate the average household size.

2011 Census Suburb Overview

2011 Census Suburb Mitchells Plain	2011
Population	310 485
Households	67 995
Average Household Size	4.57

In 2011 the population of 2011 Census suburb Mitchells Plain was 310 485 and the number of households was 67 995. The average household size was 4.57.

A household is defined as a group of persons who live together, and provide themselves jointly with food or other essentials for living, or a single person who lives alone (Statistics South Africa).

The population and household numbers above are to be used and quoted as the official numbers for this 2011 Census suburb for 2011.

Key results for 2011 Census Suburb Mitchells Plain:

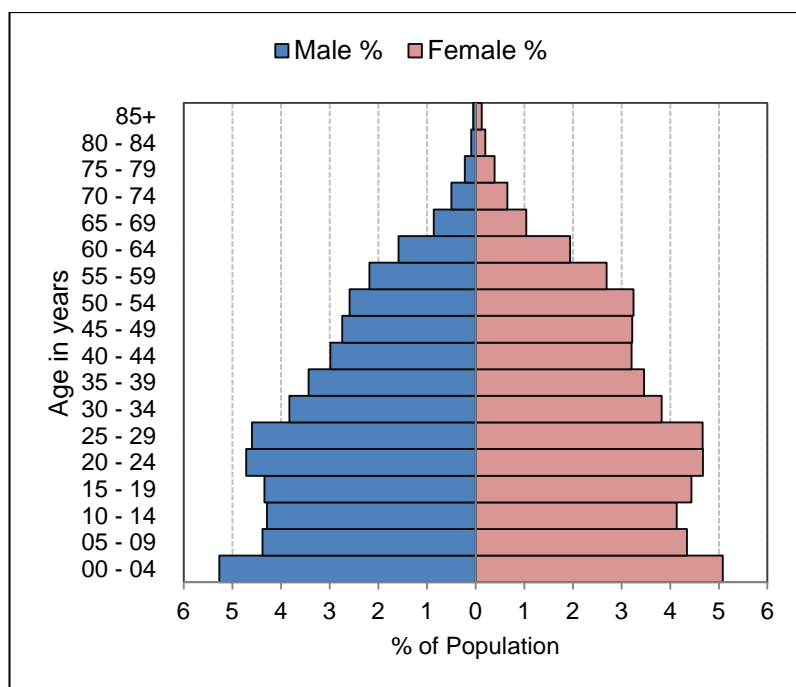
- The population is predominantly Coloured (91%).
- 35% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 76% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 38% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 95% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 99% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 96% of households have access to a flush toilet connected to the public sewer system.
- 99.5% of households have their refuse removed at least once a week.
- 99% of households use electricity for lighting in their dwelling.

Note: There are small variations in the total population and the number of households in the tables which follow. These occur as Statistics South Africa had to calculate the true population to correct omissions and double counts in the enumeration process. In addition when the data is extracted using the Statistics South Africa software, it randomly rounds off all cells to a base number 3, including the totals. These variations are not significant.

[Go to top of document](#)

Demographic Profile – 2011 Census

Mitchells Plain Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	11 078	3.6%	11 645	3.8%	22 723	7.3%
Coloured	136 522	44.0%	145 306	46.8%	281 828	90.8%
Asian	1 021	0.3%	905	0.3%	1 926	0.6%
White	317	0.1%	263	0.1%	580	0.2%
Other	2 094	0.7%	1 333	0.4%	3 427	1.1%
Total	151 032	48.6%	159 452	51.4%	310 484	100.0%



Mitchells Plain Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	2 417	10.6%	29 182	10.4%	178	9.2%	40	6.9%	331	9.7%	32 148	10.4%
5 to 14 years	3 804	16.7%	48 664	17.3%	293	15.2%	51	8.8%	436	12.7%	53 248	17.1%
15 to 24 years	4 155	18.3%	51 094	18.1%	353	18.3%	86	14.8%	709	20.7%	56 397	18.2%
25 to 64 years	11 743	51.7%	140 913	50.0%	997	51.8%	359	61.8%	1 841	53.7%	155 853	50.2%
65 years and older	605	2.7%	11 978	4.3%	104	5.4%	45	7.7%	110	3.2%	12 842	4.1%
Total	22 724	100.0%	281 831	100.0%	1 925	100.0%	581	100.0%	3 427	100.0%	310 488	100.0%

Mitchells Plain Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	165	1.2%	1 830	1.0%	9	0.7%	0	0.0%	141	5.9%	2 145	1.1%
Some primary	864	6.3%	16 221	9.1%	93	7.3%	15	4.1%	174	7.3%	17 367	8.9%
Completed primary	498	3.6%	12 345	6.9%	57	4.5%	9	2.5%	96	4.0%	13 005	6.6%
Some secondary	4 761	34.5%	89 208	50.0%	495	39.1%	144	39.7%	885	37.1%	95 493	48.7%
Grade 12	4 920	35.6%	49 701	27.9%	444	35.1%	135	37.2%	816	34.2%	56 016	28.6%
Higher	2 520	18.3%	8 580	4.8%	144	11.4%	54	14.9%	222	9.3%	11 520	5.9%
Other	75	0.5%	420	0.2%	24	1.9%	6	1.7%	54	2.3%	579	0.3%
Total	13 803	100.0%	178 305	100.0%	1 266	100.0%	363	100.0%	2 388	100.0%	196 125	100.0%

[Go to top of document](#)

Economic Profile – 2011 Census

Mitchells Plain Labour Force Indicators	Black African	Coloured	Asian	White	Other	Total
Population aged 15 to 64 years	15 897	192 006	1 350	447	2 550	212 250
Labour Force	9 933	116 502	888	234	1 806	129 363
Employed	7 791	87 993	690	207	1 464	98 145
Unemployed	2 142	28 509	198	27	342	31 218
Not Economically Active	5 964	75 504	462	213	744	82 887
Discouraged Work-seekers	537	6 960	24	9	66	7 596
Other not economically active	5 427	68 544	438	204	678	75 291
Rates %						
Unemployment rate	21.56%	24.47%	22.30%	11.54%	18.94%	24.13%
Labour absorption rate	49.01%	45.83%	51.11%	46.31%	57.41%	46.24%
Labour Force participation rate	62.48%	60.68%	65.78%	52.35%	70.82%	60.95%

Definitions:

Unemployment rate is the proportion of the labour force that is unemployed.

The **labour absorption rate** is the proportion of working age (15 to 64 years) population that is employed.

The **labour force participation rate** is the proportion of the working age population that is either employed or unemployed.

Note: Based on available data as supplied by Statistics South Africa, the people categorised as living in collective living quarters are included in the "Other not economically active" category.

Mitchells Plain Monthly Household Income	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No income	645	11.6%	6 258	10.2%	54	12.2%	15	10.6%	96	13.3%	7 068	10.4%
R 1 - R 1 600	633	11.4%	7 977	13.1%	54	12.2%	18	12.8%	105	14.5%	8 787	12.9%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	720	12.9%	9 225	15.1%	54	12.2%	12	8.5%	132	18.3%	10 143	14.9%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	831	14.9%	12 573	20.6%	69	15.6%	18	12.8%	156	21.6%	13 647	20.1%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	1 059	19.0%	12 600	20.6%	96	21.8%	24	17.0%	123	17.0%	13 902	20.4%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	1 068	19.2%	8 865	14.5%	69	15.6%	33	23.4%	63	8.7%	10 098	14.9%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	522	9.4%	3 102	5.1%	36	8.2%	18	12.8%	42	5.8%	3 720	5.5%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	69	1.2%	333	0.5%	6	1.4%	3	2.1%	3	0.4%	414	0.6%
R 102 401 or more	30	0.5%	174	0.3%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	210	0.3%
Unspecified	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	5 577	100.0%	61 107	100.0%	441	100.0%	141	100.0%	723	100.0%	67 989	100.0%

[Go to top of document](#)

Dwelling Profile – 2011 Census

Mitchells Plain Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	5 255	94.3%	58 062	95.0%	422	95.5%	138	96.5%	663	91.8%	64 540	94.9%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	160	2.9%	2 285	3.7%	8	1.8%	4	2.8%	22	3.0%	2 479	3.6%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	72	1.3%	298	0.5%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	4	0.6%	375	0.6%
Other	88	1.6%	466	0.8%	11	2.5%	1	0.7%	33	4.6%	599	0.9%
Total	5 575	100.0%	61 111	100.0%	442	100.0%	143	100.0%	722	100.0%	67 993	100.0%

Mitchells Plain Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	1 511	27.1%	21 917	35.9%	128	28.8%	45	31.5%	145	20.1%	23 746	34.9%
Owned but not yet paid off	2 522	45.2%	26 662	43.6%	162	36.5%	55	38.5%	170	23.6%	29 571	43.5%
Rented	1 300	23.3%	10 000	16.4%	144	32.4%	39	27.3%	378	52.4%	11 861	17.4%
Occupied rent-free	167	3.0%	1 625	2.7%	3	0.7%	2	1.4%	11	1.5%	1 808	2.7%
Other	76	1.4%	905	1.5%	7	1.6%	2	1.4%	17	2.4%	1 007	1.5%
Total	5 576	100.0%	61 109	100.0%	444	100.0%	143	100.0%	721	100.0%	67 993	100.0%

[Go to top of document](#)

Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Mitchells Plain Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	5 238	93.9%	58 749	96.1%	423	95.9%	138	95.8%	660	91.3%	65 208	95.9%
Piped water inside yard	207	3.7%	1 569	2.6%	12	2.7%	6	4.2%	48	6.6%	1 842	2.7%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	63	1.1%	216	0.4%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	285	0.4%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	21	0.4%	147	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	171	0.3%
No access to piped water	48	0.9%	426	0.7%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	9	1.2%	486	0.7%
Total	5 577	100.0%	61 107	100.0%	441	100.0%	144	100.0%	723	100.0%	67 992	100.0%

Mitchells Plain Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	5 214	93.5%	58 479	95.7%	429	96.0%	132	93.6%	675	93.4%	64 929	95.5%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	135	2.4%	321	0.5%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	462	0.7%
Chemical toilet	9	0.2%	39	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	51	0.1%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	9	0.2%	39	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	48	0.1%
Pit toilet without ventilation	0	0.0%	15	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	18	0.0%
Bucket toilet	51	0.9%	882	1.4%	3	0.7%	6	4.3%	24	3.3%	966	1.4%
Other	48	0.9%	462	0.8%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	9	1.2%	522	0.8%
None	108	1.9%	873	1.4%	9	2.0%	3	2.1%	6	0.8%	999	1.5%
Total	5 574	100.0%	61 110	100.0%	447	100.0%	141	100.0%	723	100.0%	67 995	100.0%

Mitchells Plain Refuse Disposal	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Removed by local authority/private company at least once a week	5 502	98.7%	60 876	99.6%	441	99.3%	141	100.0%	720	100.0%	67 680	99.5%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	9	0.2%	42	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	51	0.1%
Communal refuse dump	15	0.3%	48	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	63	0.1%
Own refuse dump	15	0.3%	18	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	0.0%
No rubbish disposal	33	0.6%	75	0.1%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	111	0.2%
Other	3	0.1%	51	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	54	0.1%
Total	5 577	100.0%	61 110	100.0%	444	100.0%	141	100.0%	720	100.0%	67 992	100.0%

[Go to top of document](#)

Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Mitchells Plain Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	5 526	99.1%	60 687	99.3%	441	99.3%	141	100.0%	717	99.6%	67 512	99.3%
Gas	15	0.3%	105	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	123	0.2%
Paraffin	0	0.0%	12	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.0%
Candles	15	0.3%	54	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	69	0.1%
Solar	6	0.1%	117	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	123	0.2%
None	15	0.3%	138	0.2%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	156	0.2%
Total	5 577	100.0%	61 113	100.0%	444	100.0%	141	100.0%	720	100.0%	67 995	100.0%

Mitchells Plain Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	5 316	95.3%	58 083	95.0%	396	88.6%	138	93.9%	651	90.8%	64 584	95.0%
Gas	198	3.6%	2 637	4.3%	45	10.1%	6	4.1%	63	8.8%	2 949	4.3%
Paraffin	6	0.1%	24	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	30	0.0%
Wood	12	0.2%	42	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	54	0.1%
Coal	6	0.1%	15	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	21	0.0%
Animal dung	3	0.1%	12	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.0%
Solar	9	0.2%	102	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	111	0.2%
Other	6	0.1%	18	0.0%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	27	0.0%
None	21	0.4%	177	0.3%	3	0.7%	3	2.0%	3	0.4%	207	0.3%
Total	5 577	100.0%	61 110	100.0%	447	100.0%	147	100.0%	717	100.0%	67 998	100.0%

Mitchells Plain Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	3 894	69.9%	52 533	86.0%	369	84.2%	129	89.6%	561	77.9%	57 486	84.5%
Gas	237	4.3%	648	1.1%	6	1.4%	6	4.2%	18	2.5%	915	1.3%
Paraffin	702	12.6%	57	0.1%	3	0.7%	0	0.0%	3	0.4%	765	1.1%
Wood	45	0.8%	327	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	1.3%	381	0.6%
Coal	0	0.0%	15	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.0%
Animal dung	3	0.1%	39	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	42	0.1%
Solar	0	0.0%	144	0.2%	0	0.0%	3	2.1%	3	0.4%	150	0.2%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
None	693	12.4%	7 353	12.0%	60	13.7%	6	4.2%	126	17.5%	8 238	12.1%
Total	5 574	100.0%	61 116	100.0%	438	100.0%	144	100.0%	720	100.0%	67 992	100.0%

[Go to top of document](#)