

City of Cape Town – 2011 Census Suburb Blue Downs

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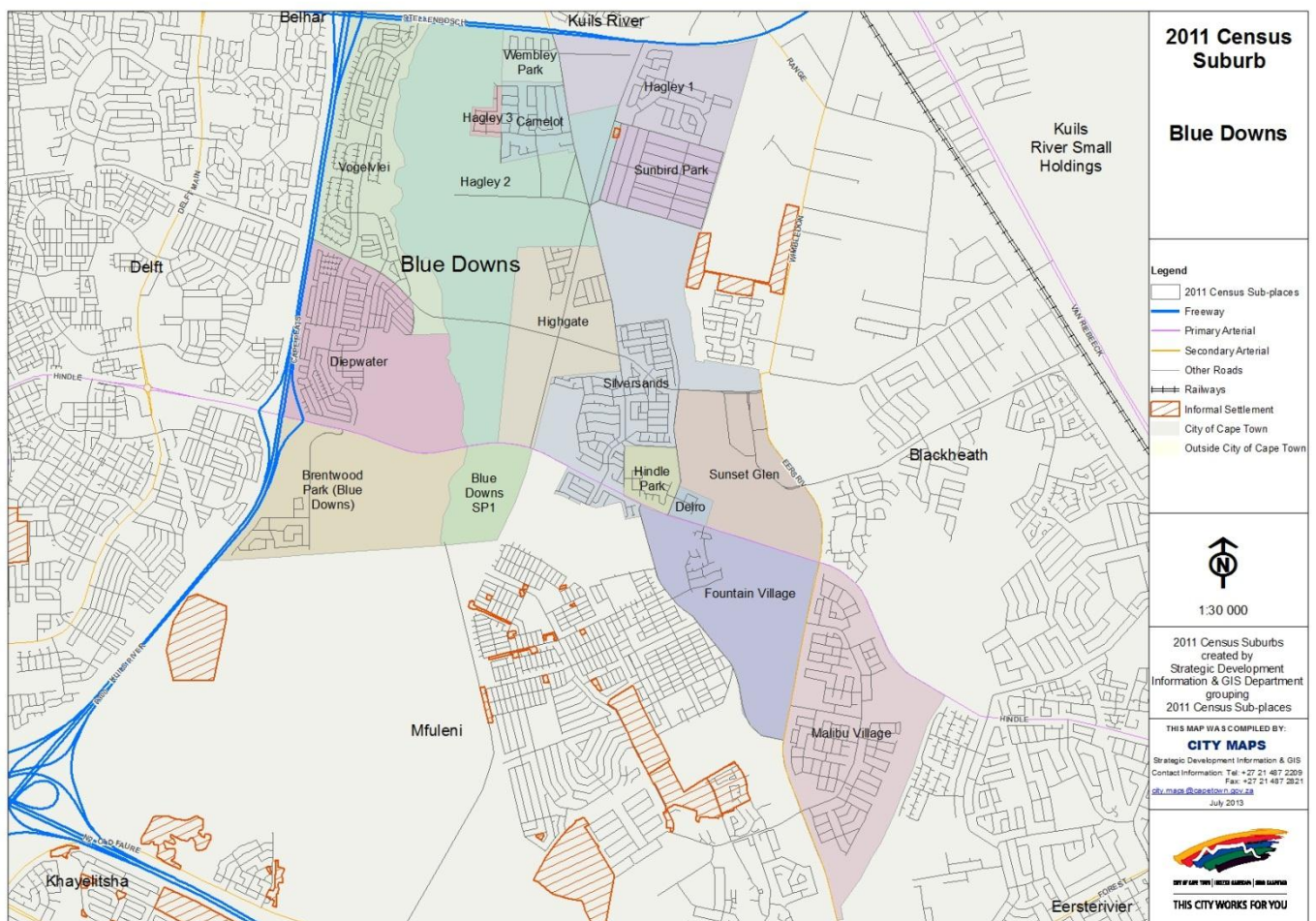
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2011 Census data supplied by Statistics South Africa
(Based on information available at the time of compilation as released by Statistics South Africa)

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.”

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2011 Census Suburb Description

2011 Census suburb Blue Downs includes the following sub-places: Blue Downs SP1, Brentwood Park (Blue Downs), Camelot, Delro, Diepwater, Fountain Village, Hagley 1, Hagley 2, Hagley 3, Highgate, Hindle Park, Malibu Village, Silversands, Sunbird Park, Sunset Glen, Vogelvlei, Wembley Park.



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 Blue Downs	2011
Population	50 601
Households	12 243
Average Household Size	4.13

In 2011 the population of 2011 Census suburb Blue Downs was 50 601 and the number of households was 12 243. The average household size was 4.13.

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 Blue Downs:

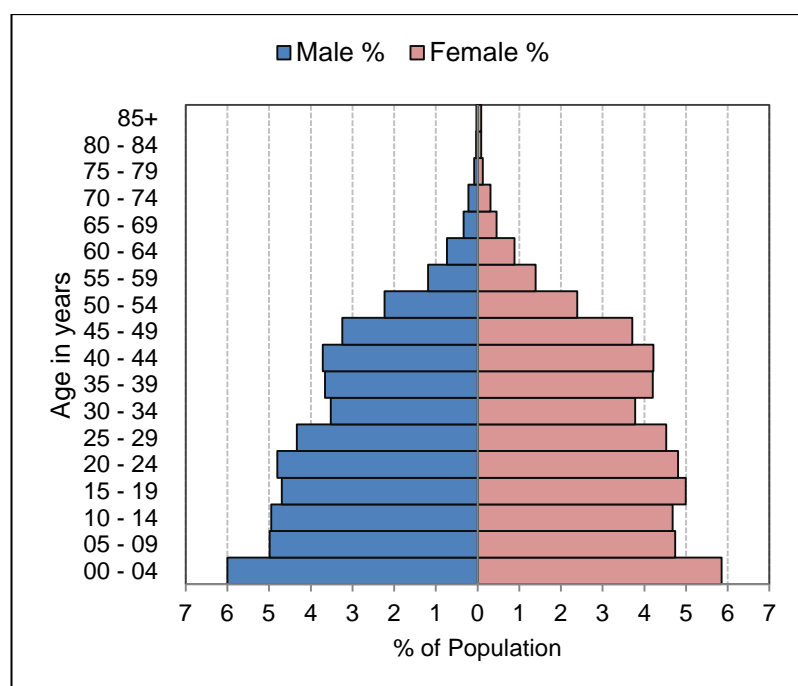
- The population is predominantly Coloured (77%).
- 36% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 76% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 48% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 89% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 97% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 94% of households have access to a flush toilet connected to the public sewer system.
- 99% of households have their refuse removed at least once a week.
- 98% 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.

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Demographic Profile – 2011 Census

Blue Downs Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	5 176	10.2%	5 411	10.7%	10 587	20.9%
Coloured	18 689	36.9%	20 071	39.7%	38 760	76.6%
Asian	186	0.4%	202	0.4%	388	0.8%
White	54	0.1%	41	0.1%	95	0.2%
Other	566	1.1%	205	0.4%	771	1.5%
Total	24 671	48.8%	25 930	51.2%	50 601	100.0%



Blue Downs Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	1 497	14.1%	4 375	11.3%	39	10.1%	12	12.8%	76	9.9%	5 999	11.9%
5 to 14 years	1 915	18.1%	7 708	19.9%	69	17.8%	12	12.8%	90	11.7%	9 794	19.4%
15 to 24 years	1 836	17.3%	7 599	19.6%	84	21.6%	12	12.8%	239	31.0%	9 770	19.3%
25 to 64 years	5 210	49.2%	18 331	47.3%	184	47.4%	56	59.6%	360	46.8%	24 141	47.7%
65 years and older	129	1.2%	746	1.9%	12	3.1%	2	2.1%	5	0.6%	894	1.8%
Total	10 587	100.0%	38 759	100.0%	388	100.0%	94	100.0%	770	100.0%	50 598	100.0%

Blue Downs Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	156	2.5%	501	2.2%	3	1.2%	0	0.0%	45	8.5%	705	2.4%
Some primary	480	7.6%	2 526	11.1%	21	8.4%	3	4.2%	48	9.1%	3 078	10.3%
Completed primary	264	4.2%	1 575	6.9%	9	3.6%	0	0.0%	27	5.1%	1 875	6.3%
Some secondary	2 220	35.1%	10 917	48.0%	90	36.1%	18	25.0%	258	48.9%	13 503	45.1%
Grade 12	1 986	31.4%	5 730	25.2%	69	27.7%	27	37.5%	117	22.2%	7 929	26.5%
Higher	1 191	18.8%	1 389	6.1%	57	22.9%	24	33.3%	21	4.0%	2 682	9.0%
Other	30	0.5%	102	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	2.3%	144	0.5%
Total	6 327	100.0%	22 740	100.0%	249	100.0%	72	100.0%	528	100.0%	29 916	100.0%

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Economic Profile – 2011 Census

Blue Downs Labour Force Indicators	Black African	Coloured	Asian	White	Other	Total
Population aged 15 to 64 years	7 044	25 929	270	75	600	33 918
Labour Force	4 851	16 374	153	48	438	21 864
Employed	3 621	12 390	120	39	357	16 527
Unemployed	1 230	3 984	33	9	81	5 337
Not Economically Active	2 193	9 555	117	27	162	12 054
Discouraged Work-seekers	204	879	6	3	21	1 113
Other not economically active	1 989	8 676	111	24	141	10 941
Rates %						
Unemployment rate	25.36%	24.33%	21.57%	18.75%	18.49%	24.41%
Labour absorption rate	51.41%	47.78%	44.44%	52.00%	59.50%	48.73%
Labour Force participation rate	68.87%	63.15%	56.67%	64.00%	73.00%	64.46%

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.

Blue Downs Monthly Household Income	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No income	426	14.1%	1 092	12.3%	18	19.4%	6	15.4%	33	17.7%	1 575	12.9%
R 1 - R 1 600	519	17.2%	1 590	17.9%	9	9.7%	3	7.7%	36	19.4%	2 157	17.6%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	471	15.6%	1 557	17.5%	15	16.1%	6	15.4%	45	24.2%	2 094	17.1%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	447	14.8%	1 797	20.2%	15	16.1%	6	15.4%	51	27.4%	2 316	18.9%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	408	13.5%	1 422	16.0%	18	19.4%	6	15.4%	9	4.8%	1 863	15.2%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	432	14.3%	996	11.2%	9	9.7%	6	15.4%	12	6.5%	1 455	11.9%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	267	8.9%	378	4.2%	6	6.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	651	5.3%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	30	1.0%	42	0.5%	3	3.2%	6	15.4%	0	0.0%	81	0.7%
R 102 401 or more	15	0.5%	24	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	39	0.3%
Unspecified	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	3 015	100.0%	8 898	100.0%	93	100.0%	39	100.0%	186	100.0%	12 231	100.0%

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Dwelling Profile – 2011 Census

Blue Downs Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	2 608	86.4%	8 082	90.8%	86	92.5%	30	90.9%	138	71.9%	10 944	89.4%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	278	9.2%	555	6.2%	2	2.2%	2	6.1%	44	22.9%	881	7.2%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	101	3.3%	86	1.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	1.0%	189	1.5%
Other	33	1.1%	179	2.0%	5	5.4%	1	3.0%	8	4.2%	226	1.8%
Total	3 020	100.0%	8 902	100.0%	93	100.0%	33	100.0%	192	100.0%	12 240	100.0%

Blue Downs Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	928	30.7%	3 533	39.7%	25	26.6%	8	23.5%	32	16.6%	4 526	37.0%
Owned but not yet paid off	979	32.4%	2 556	28.7%	26	27.7%	7	20.6%	13	6.7%	3 581	29.3%
Rented	785	26.0%	1 722	19.3%	33	35.1%	16	47.1%	138	71.5%	2 694	22.0%
Occupied rent-free	259	8.6%	799	9.0%	10	10.6%	3	8.8%	6	3.1%	1 077	8.8%
Other	68	2.3%	292	3.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	2.1%	364	3.0%
Total	3 019	100.0%	8 902	100.0%	94	100.0%	34	100.0%	193	100.0%	12 242	100.0%

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Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Blue Downs Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	2 727	90.4%	8 229	92.4%	93	100.0%	33	91.7%	171	87.7%	11 253	91.9%
Piped water inside yard	153	5.1%	474	5.3%	0	0.0%	3	8.3%	15	7.7%	645	5.3%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	84	2.8%	66	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	3.1%	156	1.3%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	3	0.1%	21	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	27	0.2%
No access to piped water	48	1.6%	114	1.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	162	1.3%
Total	3 015	100.0%	8 904	100.0%	93	100.0%	36	100.0%	195	100.0%	12 243	100.0%

Blue Downs Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	2 787	92.4%	8 376	94.1%	96	100.0%	30	83.3%	180	92.3%	11 469	93.7%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	12	0.4%	69	0.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	81	0.7%
Chemical toilet	33	1.1%	15	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	51	0.4%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	6	0.2%	15	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	21	0.2%
Pit toilet without ventilation	3	0.1%	15	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
Bucket toilet	93	3.1%	174	2.0%	0	0.0%	6	16.7%	3	1.5%	276	2.3%
Other	33	1.1%	81	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	3.1%	120	1.0%
None	48	1.6%	153	1.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	204	1.7%
Total	3 015	100.0%	8 898	100.0%	96	100.0%	36	100.0%	195	100.0%	12 240	100.0%

Blue Downs 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	2 979	98.6%	8 838	99.3%	96	100.0%	33	100.0%	189	96.9%	12 135	99.1%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	3	0.1%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
Communal refuse dump	24	0.8%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	36	0.3%
Own refuse dump	6	0.2%	18	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	0.2%
No rubbish disposal	6	0.2%	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	21	0.2%
Other	3	0.1%	15	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
Total	3 021	100.0%	8 901	100.0%	96	100.0%	33	100.0%	195	100.0%	12 246	100.0%

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Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Blue Downs Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	2 928	97.0%	8 784	98.7%	93	100.0%	33	100.0%	189	96.9%	12 027	98.2%
Gas	3	0.1%	21	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	0.2%
Paraffin	9	0.3%	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	18	0.1%
Candles	69	2.3%	60	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	129	1.1%
Solar	6	0.2%	21	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	27	0.2%
None	3	0.1%	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	18	0.1%
Total	3 018	100.0%	8 904	100.0%	93	100.0%	33	100.0%	195	100.0%	12 243	100.0%

Blue Downs Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	2 892	95.9%	8 658	97.2%	84	90.3%	33	100.0%	189	95.5%	11 856	96.8%
Gas	45	1.5%	144	1.6%	9	9.7%	0	0.0%	6	3.0%	204	1.7%
Paraffin	54	1.8%	24	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.5%	81	0.7%
Wood	12	0.4%	30	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	42	0.3%
Coal	0	0.0%	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%
Animal dung	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Solar	6	0.2%	18	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	0.2%
Other	3	0.1%	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
None	3	0.1%	18	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	21	0.2%
Total	3 015	100.0%	8 904	100.0%	93	100.0%	33	100.0%	198	100.0%	12 243	100.0%

Blue Downs Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	2 253	74.6%	7 272	81.7%	75	80.6%	27	75.0%	156	81.3%	9 783	79.9%
Gas	66	2.2%	63	0.7%	3	3.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	132	1.1%
Paraffin	234	7.7%	42	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.6%	279	2.3%
Wood	45	1.5%	87	1.0%	3	3.2%	3	8.3%	0	0.0%	138	1.1%
Coal	0	0.0%	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%
Animal dung	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
Solar	0	0.0%	21	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	21	0.2%
Other	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
None	423	14.0%	1 407	15.8%	12	12.9%	6	16.7%	33	17.2%	1 881	15.4%
Total	3 021	100.0%	8 904	100.0%	93	100.0%	36	100.0%	192	100.0%	12 246	100.0%

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