

# City of Cape Town – 2011 Census Suburb Crossroads

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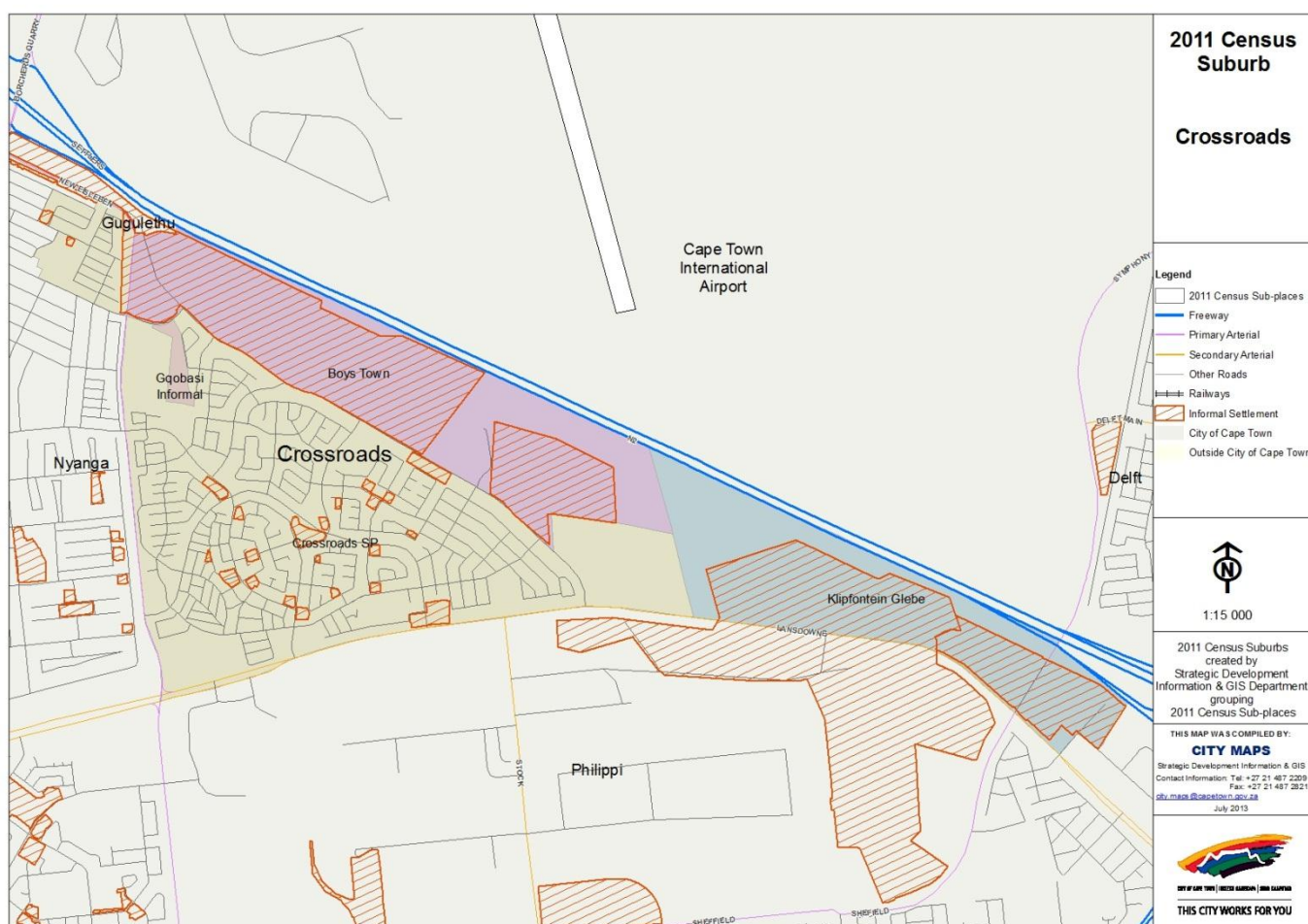
Compiled by Strategic Development Information and GIS Department (SDI&GIS), City of Cape Town  
2011 Census data supplied by Statistics South Africa  
(Based on information available at the time of compilation as released by Statistics South Africa)

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.”

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## 2011 Census Suburb Description

2011 Census suburb Crossroads includes the following sub-places: Boys Town, Crossroads SP, Gqobasi Informal, Klipfontein Glebe.



**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**

<b>2011 Census Suburb Crossroads</b>	<b>2011</b>
Population	36 043
Households	10 656
Average Household Size	3.38

In 2011 the population of 2011 Census suburb Crossroads was 36 043 and the number of households was 10 656. The average household size was 3.38.

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 Crossroads:**

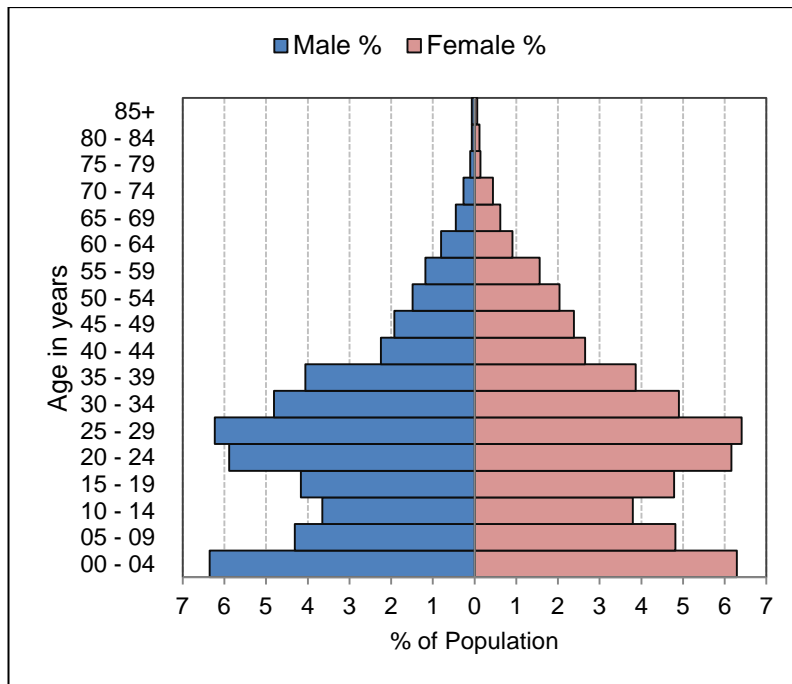
- The population is predominantly Black African (97%).
- 27% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 55% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 81% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 53% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 63% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 64% of households have access to a flush toilet connected to the public sewer system.
- 83% of households have their refuse removed at least once a week.
- 84% 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

Crossroads Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	16 695	46.3%	18 162	50.4%	34 857	96.7%
Coloured	528	1.5%	518	1.4%	1 046	2.9%
Asian	13	0.0%	10	0.0%	23	0.1%
White	22	0.1%	7	0.0%	29	0.1%
Other	64	0.2%	23	0.1%	87	0.2%
Total	17 322	48.1%	18 720	51.9%	36 042	100.0%



Crossroads Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	4 444	12.7%	102	9.8%	1	4.3%	1	3.6%	6	6.8%	4 554	12.6%
5 to 14 years	5 750	16.5%	200	19.1%	5	21.7%	9	32.1%	11	12.5%	5 975	16.6%
15 to 24 years	7 326	21.0%	220	21.1%	5	21.7%	4	14.3%	14	15.9%	7 569	21.0%
25 to 64 years	16 536	47.4%	490	46.9%	11	47.8%	13	46.4%	57	64.8%	17 107	47.5%
65 years and older	801	2.3%	33	3.2%	1	4.3%	1	3.6%	0	0.0%	836	2.3%
Total	34 857	100.0%	1 045	100.0%	23	100.0%	28	100.0%	88	100.0%	36 041	100.0%

Crossroads Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	1 563	7.2%	33	5.2%	0	0.0%	3	25.0%	15	23.8%	1 614	7.2%
Some primary	2 577	11.9%	165	25.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	9.5%	2 748	12.3%
Completed primary	1 098	5.1%	69	10.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1 167	5.2%
Some secondary	10 323	47.9%	276	43.4%	9	100.0%	6	50.0%	30	47.6%	10 644	47.8%
Grade 12	5 112	23.7%	87	13.7%	0	0.0%	3	25.0%	9	14.3%	5 211	23.4%
Higher	837	3.9%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	4.8%	843	3.8%
Other	57	0.3%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	60	0.3%
Total	21 567	100.0%	636	100.0%	9	100.0%	12	100.0%	63	100.0%	22 287	100.0%

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## Economic Profile – 2011 Census

Crossroads Labour Force Indicators	Black African	Coloured	Asian	White	Other	Total
Population aged 15 to 64 years	23 859	711	15	15	75	24 675
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>13 635</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>14 154</b>
Employed	7 569	219	6	6	54	7 854
Unemployed	6 066	213	6	6	9	6 300
<b>Not Economically Active</b>	<b>10 224</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10 521</b>
Discouraged Work-seekers	1 530	12	0	0	0	1 542
Other not economically active	8 694	267	3	3	12	8 979
<b>Rates %</b>						
Unemployment rate	44.49%	49.31%	50.00%	50.00%	14.29%	44.51%
Labour absorption rate	31.72%	30.80%	40.00%	40.00%	72.00%	31.83%
Labour Force participation rate	57.15%	60.76%	80.00%	80.00%	84.00%	57.36%

### 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.

Crossroads Monthly Household Income	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No income	2 388	23.1%	54	19.4%	0	0.0%	3	50.0%	6	28.6%	2 451	23.0%
R 1 - R 1 600	3 594	34.8%	96	34.4%	3	50.0%	0	0.0%	3	14.3%	3 696	34.7%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	2 385	23.1%	54	19.4%	0	0.0%	3	50.0%	3	14.3%	2 445	23.0%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	1 263	12.2%	51	18.3%	3	50.0%	0	0.0%	3	14.3%	1 320	12.4%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	504	4.9%	15	5.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	519	4.9%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	144	1.4%	6	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	14.3%	153	1.4%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	48	0.5%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	14.3%	54	0.5%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.1%
R 102 401 or more	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.1%
Unspecified	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	10 338	100.0%	279	100.0%	6	100.0%	6	100.0%	21	100.0%	10 650	100.0%

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## Dwelling Profile – 2011 Census

Crossroads Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	5 617	54.3%	38	13.8%	4	44.4%	0	0.0%	17	70.8%	5 676	53.3%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	867	8.4%	11	4.0%	2	22.2%	1	14.3%	0	0.0%	881	8.3%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	3 801	36.7%	222	80.7%	3	33.3%	6	85.7%	7	29.2%	4 039	37.9%
Other	58	0.6%	4	1.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	62	0.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 343</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10 658</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Crossroads Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	3 701	35.8%	133	48.4%	2	25.0%	5	62.5%	1	4.3%	3 842	36.1%
Owned but not yet paid off	188	1.8%	1	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	4.3%	190	1.8%
Rented	1 510	14.6%	18	6.5%	1	12.5%	0	0.0%	16	69.6%	1 545	14.5%
Occupied rent-free	4 096	39.6%	108	39.3%	5	62.5%	3	37.5%	5	21.7%	4 217	39.6%
Other	848	8.2%	15	5.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	863	8.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 343</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10 657</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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## Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Crossroads Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	5 628	54.4%	93	33.7%	6	66.7%	3	33.3%	15	62.5%	5 745	53.9%
Piped water inside yard	870	8.4%	45	16.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	25.0%	921	8.6%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	3 393	32.8%	78	28.3%	3	33.3%	3	33.3%	3	12.5%	3 480	32.6%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	429	4.1%	60	21.7%	0	0.0%	3	33.3%	0	0.0%	492	4.6%
No access to piped water	24	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	0.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 344</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10 662</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Crossroads Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	6 750	65.3%	51	18.7%	3	100.0%	0	0.0%	21	87.5%	6 825	64.1%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	282	2.7%	6	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	288	2.7%
Chemical toilet	21	0.2%	12	4.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	0.3%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	6	0.1%	6	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
Pit toilet without ventilation	12	0.1%	24	8.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	36	0.3%
Bucket toilet	3 063	29.6%	156	57.1%	0	0.0%	6	100.0%	3	12.5%	3 228	30.3%
Other	57	0.6%	6	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	63	0.6%
None	153	1.5%	12	4.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	165	1.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 344</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10 650</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Crossroads 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	8 694	84.0%	84	30.8%	6	100.0%	3	33.3%	21	87.5%	8 808	82.7%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	192	1.9%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	195	1.8%
Communal refuse dump	729	7.0%	27	9.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	12.5%	759	7.1%
Own refuse dump	639	6.2%	141	51.6%	0	0.0%	6	66.7%	0	0.0%	786	7.4%
No rubbish disposal	78	0.8%	15	5.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	93	0.9%
Other	12	0.1%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 344</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10 656</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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## Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Crossroads Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	8 703	84.1%	225	82.4%	6	100.0%	3	50.0%	24	100.0%	8 961	84.1%
Gas	36	0.3%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	39	0.4%
Paraffin	1 239	12.0%	24	8.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1 263	11.9%
Candles	279	2.7%	21	7.7%	0	0.0%	3	50.0%	0	0.0%	303	2.8%
Solar	15	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
None	72	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	72	0.7%
Total	10 344	100.0%	273	100.0%	6	100.0%	6	100.0%	24	100.0%	10 653	100.0%

Crossroads Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	8 343	80.7%	192	70.3%	6	100.0%	3	100.0%	21	100.0%	8 565	80.4%
Gas	411	4.0%	48	17.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	459	4.3%
Paraffin	1 470	14.2%	27	9.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1 497	14.1%
Wood	21	0.2%	6	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	27	0.3%
Coal	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.1%
Animal dung	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
Solar	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
None	72	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	72	0.7%
Total	10 344	100.0%	273	100.0%	6	100.0%	3	100.0%	21	100.0%	10 647	100.0%

Crossroads Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	2 559	24.7%	96	35.2%	3	33.3%	3	50.0%	15	62.5%	2 676	25.1%
Gas	234	2.3%	6	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	240	2.3%
Paraffin	4 935	47.7%	72	26.4%	3	33.3%	3	50.0%	0	0.0%	5 013	47.0%
Wood	66	0.6%	18	6.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	84	0.8%
Coal	27	0.3%	3	1.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	30	0.3%
Animal dung	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
Solar	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
None	2 511	24.3%	78	28.6%	3	33.3%	0	0.0%	9	37.5%	2 601	24.4%
Total	10 344	100.0%	273	100.0%	9	100.0%	6	100.0%	24	100.0%	10 656	100.0%

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