

City of Cape Town – 2011 Census Suburb Elsie's River

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(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 Elsie's River includes the following sub-places: Adriaanse, Avon, Avonwood, Balvenie, Clarkes, Connaught, Cravenby, Elsie's River Industrial, Elsie's River, Epping Forest, Eureka, Leonsdale, Modderdam, Norwood, Riverton, Salberau, The Range, Uitsig, Valhalla.



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 Elsies River	2011
Population	90 574
Households	19 476
Average Household Size	4.65

In 2011 the population of 2011 Census suburb Elsie's River was 90 574 and the number of households was 19 476. The average household size was 4.65.

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 Elsie's River:

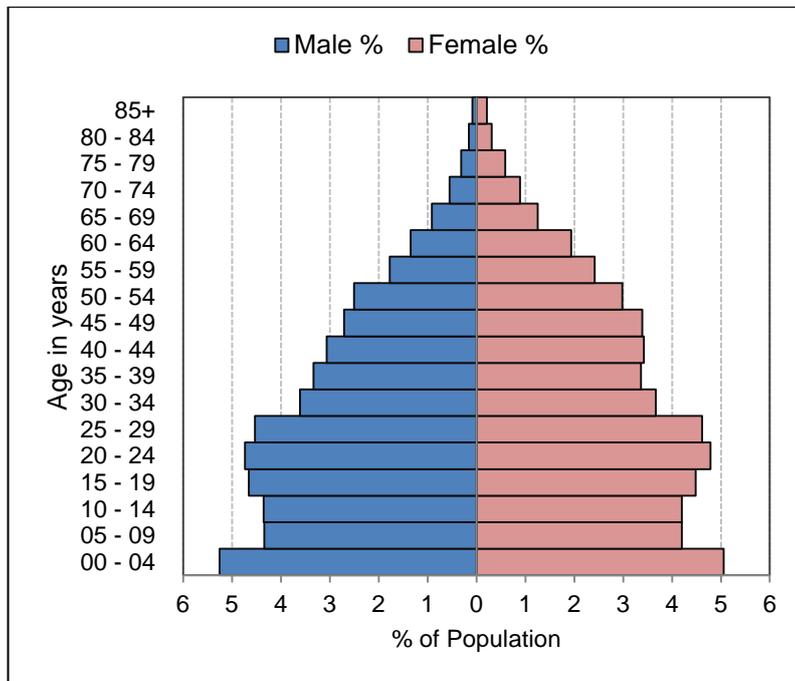
- The population is predominantly Coloured (89%).
- 28% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 76% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 50% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 84% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 95% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 89% of households have access to a flush toilet connected to the public sewer system.
- 95% of households have their refuse removed at least once a week.
- 95% 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

Elsies River Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	3 303	3.6%	2 771	3.1%	6 074	6.7%
Coloured	38 182	42.2%	42 121	46.5%	80 303	88.7%
Asian	1 468	1.6%	1 556	1.7%	3 024	3.3%
White	112	0.1%	78	0.1%	190	0.2%
Other	625	0.7%	358	0.4%	983	1.1%
Total	43 690	48.2%	46 884	51.8%	90 574	100.0%



Elsies River Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	634	10.4%	8 411	10.5%	193	6.4%	16	8.4%	85	8.6%	9 339	10.3%
5 to 14 years	899	14.8%	14 077	17.5%	369	12.2%	17	8.9%	119	12.1%	15 481	17.1%
15 to 24 years	1 101	18.1%	15 002	18.7%	569	18.8%	25	13.2%	197	20.0%	16 894	18.7%
25 to 64 years	3 185	52.4%	38 594	48.1%	1 655	54.7%	108	56.8%	545	55.4%	44 087	48.7%
65 years and older	255	4.2%	4 219	5.3%	237	7.8%	24	12.6%	38	3.9%	4 773	5.3%
Total	6 074	100.0%	80 303	100.0%	3 023	100.0%	190	100.0%	984	100.0%	90 574	100.0%

Elsies River Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	84	2.1%	936	1.9%	36	1.6%	3	2.9%	75	10.4%	1 134	2.0%
Some primary	435	11.0%	6 606	13.2%	147	6.7%	0	0.0%	51	7.1%	7 239	12.7%
Completed primary	276	7.0%	4 704	9.4%	108	4.9%	3	2.9%	27	3.7%	5 118	9.0%
Some secondary	1 728	43.5%	25 071	50.0%	702	32.1%	39	38.2%	213	29.5%	27 753	48.5%
Grade 12	1 182	29.8%	11 400	22.7%	792	36.2%	42	41.2%	267	36.9%	13 683	23.9%
Higher	222	5.6%	1 380	2.7%	387	17.7%	15	14.7%	72	10.0%	2 076	3.6%
Other	42	1.1%	87	0.2%	18	0.8%	0	0.0%	18	2.5%	165	0.3%
Total	3 969	100.0%	50 184	100.0%	2 190	100.0%	102	100.0%	723	100.0%	57 168	100.0%

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Economic Profile – 2011 Census

Elsies River Labour Force Indicators	Black African	Coloured	Asian	White	Other	Total
Population aged 15 to 64 years	4 287	53 595	2 223	135	738	60 978
Labour Force	2 634	28 998	1 188	69	507	33 396
Employed	2 034	21 798	1 071	60	432	25 395
Unemployed	600	7 200	117	9	75	8 001
Not Economically Active	1 653	24 597	1 035	66	231	27 582
Discouraged Work-seekers	231	2 859	66	0	18	3 174
Other not economically active	1 422	21 738	969	66	213	24 408
Rates %						
Unemployment rate	22.78%	24.83%	9.85%	13.04%	14.79%	23.96%
Labour absorption rate	47.45%	40.67%	48.18%	44.44%	58.54%	41.65%
Labour Force participation rate	61.44%	54.11%	53.44%	51.11%	68.70%	54.77%

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.

Elsies River Monthly Household Income	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No income	318	19.1%	1 932	11.5%	81	11.2%	0	0.0%	42	19.2%	2 373	12.2%
R 1 - R 1 600	366	21.9%	3 111	18.5%	75	10.4%	9	25.0%	33	15.1%	3 594	18.5%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	360	21.6%	3 300	19.6%	90	12.4%	3	8.3%	42	19.2%	3 795	19.5%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	327	19.6%	3 891	23.1%	129	17.8%	6	16.7%	54	24.7%	4 407	22.6%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	186	11.2%	2 775	16.5%	132	18.3%	9	25.0%	27	12.3%	3 129	16.1%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	63	3.8%	1 308	7.8%	126	17.4%	6	16.7%	15	6.8%	1 518	7.8%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	33	2.0%	402	2.4%	63	8.7%	3	8.3%	3	1.4%	504	2.6%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	3	0.2%	75	0.4%	18	2.5%	0	0.0%	3	1.4%	99	0.5%
R 102 401 or more	12	0.7%	33	0.2%	9	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	54	0.3%
Unspecified	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	1 668	100.0%	16 827	100.0%	723	100.0%	36	100.0%	219	100.0%	19 473	100.0%

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Dwelling Profile – 2011 Census

Elsies River Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	1 001	60.3%	14 511	86.2%	686	95.5%	39	88.6%	188	83.6%	16 425	84.3%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	118	7.1%	1 725	10.3%	20	2.8%	3	6.8%	17	7.6%	1 883	9.7%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	508	30.6%	286	1.7%	2	0.3%	1	2.3%	10	4.4%	807	4.1%
Other	32	1.9%	305	1.8%	10	1.4%	1	2.3%	10	4.4%	358	1.8%
Total	1 659	100.0%	16 827	100.0%	718	100.0%	44	100.0%	225	100.0%	19 473	100.0%

Elsies River Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	349	21.0%	4 218	25.1%	270	37.6%	6	14.0%	33	14.7%	4 876	25.0%
Owned but not yet paid off	178	10.7%	3 381	20.1%	186	25.9%	12	27.9%	18	8.0%	3 775	19.4%
Rented	708	42.7%	8 382	49.8%	220	30.6%	19	44.2%	166	73.8%	9 495	48.8%
Occupied rent-free	388	23.4%	509	3.0%	23	3.2%	4	9.3%	7	3.1%	931	4.8%
Other	36	2.2%	338	2.0%	19	2.6%	2	4.7%	1	0.4%	396	2.0%
Total	1 659	100.0%	16 828	100.0%	718	100.0%	43	100.0%	225	100.0%	19 473	100.0%

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Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Elsies River Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	984	59.5%	15 342	91.2%	699	97.5%	42	93.3%	189	82.9%	17 256	88.6%
Piped water inside yard	132	8.0%	1 032	6.1%	15	2.1%	0	0.0%	27	11.8%	1 206	6.2%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	264	16.0%	138	0.8%	0	0.0%	3	6.7%	3	1.3%	408	2.1%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	255	15.4%	165	1.0%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	6	2.6%	429	2.2%
No access to piped water	18	1.1%	153	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.3%	174	0.9%
Total	1 653	100.0%	16 830	100.0%	717	100.0%	45	100.0%	228	100.0%	19 473	100.0%

Elsies River Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	1 056	63.7%	15 378	91.4%	705	98.3%	39	81.3%	201	88.2%	17 379	89.2%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	12	0.7%	90	0.5%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	105	0.5%
Chemical toilet	3	0.2%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.0%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	3	0.2%	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
Pit toilet without ventilation	90	5.4%	24	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.3%	117	0.6%
Bucket toilet	39	2.4%	528	3.1%	3	0.4%	3	6.3%	6	2.6%	579	3.0%
Other	78	4.7%	321	1.9%	0	0.0%	3	6.3%	9	3.9%	411	2.1%
None	378	22.8%	474	2.8%	6	0.8%	3	6.3%	9	3.9%	870	4.5%
Total	1 659	100.0%	16 833	100.0%	717	100.0%	48	100.0%	228	100.0%	19 485	100.0%

Elsies River 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	1 119	67.6%	16 446	97.7%	708	98.7%	42	87.5%	219	93.6%	18 534	95.1%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	0	0.0%	30	0.2%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	0.2%
Communal refuse dump	417	25.2%	174	1.0%	3	0.4%	3	6.3%	6	2.6%	603	3.1%
Own refuse dump	9	0.5%	21	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.3%	33	0.2%
No rubbish disposal	108	6.5%	111	0.7%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	3	1.3%	225	1.2%
Other	3	0.2%	48	0.3%	0	0.0%	3	6.3%	3	1.3%	57	0.3%
Total	1 656	100.0%	16 830	100.0%	717	100.0%	48	100.0%	234	100.0%	19 485	100.0%

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Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Elsies River Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	1 104	66.4%	16 353	97.2%	705	97.9%	42	100.0%	216	93.5%	18 420	94.5%
Gas	24	1.4%	36	0.2%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	63	0.3%
Paraffin	282	17.0%	96	0.6%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	6	2.6%	387	2.0%
Candles	249	15.0%	255	1.5%	9	1.3%	0	0.0%	6	2.6%	519	2.7%
Solar	0	0.0%	36	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
None	3	0.2%	51	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	1.3%	57	0.3%
Total	1 662	100.0%	16 827	100.0%	720	100.0%	42	100.0%	231	100.0%	19 482	100.0%

Elsies River Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	1 083	65.3%	16 020	95.2%	558	78.2%	39	92.9%	213	94.7%	17 913	92.0%
Gas	240	14.5%	450	2.7%	144	20.2%	0	0.0%	6	2.7%	840	4.3%
Paraffin	294	17.7%	93	0.6%	3	0.4%	3	7.1%	6	2.7%	399	2.1%
Wood	27	1.6%	117	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	144	0.7%
Coal	6	0.4%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.0%
Animal dung	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%
Solar	0	0.0%	15	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
Other	3	0.2%	54	0.3%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	60	0.3%
None	6	0.4%	66	0.4%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	75	0.4%
Total	1 659	100.0%	16 821	100.0%	714	100.0%	42	100.0%	225	100.0%	19 461	100.0%

Elsies River Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	939	56.7%	14 187	84.3%	402	55.8%	36	80.0%	159	71.6%	15 723	80.8%
Gas	36	2.2%	141	0.8%	21	2.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	198	1.0%
Paraffin	357	21.6%	111	0.7%	3	0.4%	3	6.7%	3	1.4%	477	2.5%
Wood	99	6.0%	186	1.1%	6	0.8%	0	0.0%	3	1.4%	294	1.5%
Coal	3	0.2%	6	0.0%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
Animal dung	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%
Solar	6	0.4%	27	0.2%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
None	216	13.0%	2 160	12.8%	282	39.2%	6	13.3%	57	25.7%	2 721	14.0%
Total	1 656	100.0%	16 824	100.0%	720	100.0%	45	100.0%	222	100.0%	19 467	100.0%

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