

# City of Cape Town – 2011 Census Suburb Mfuleni

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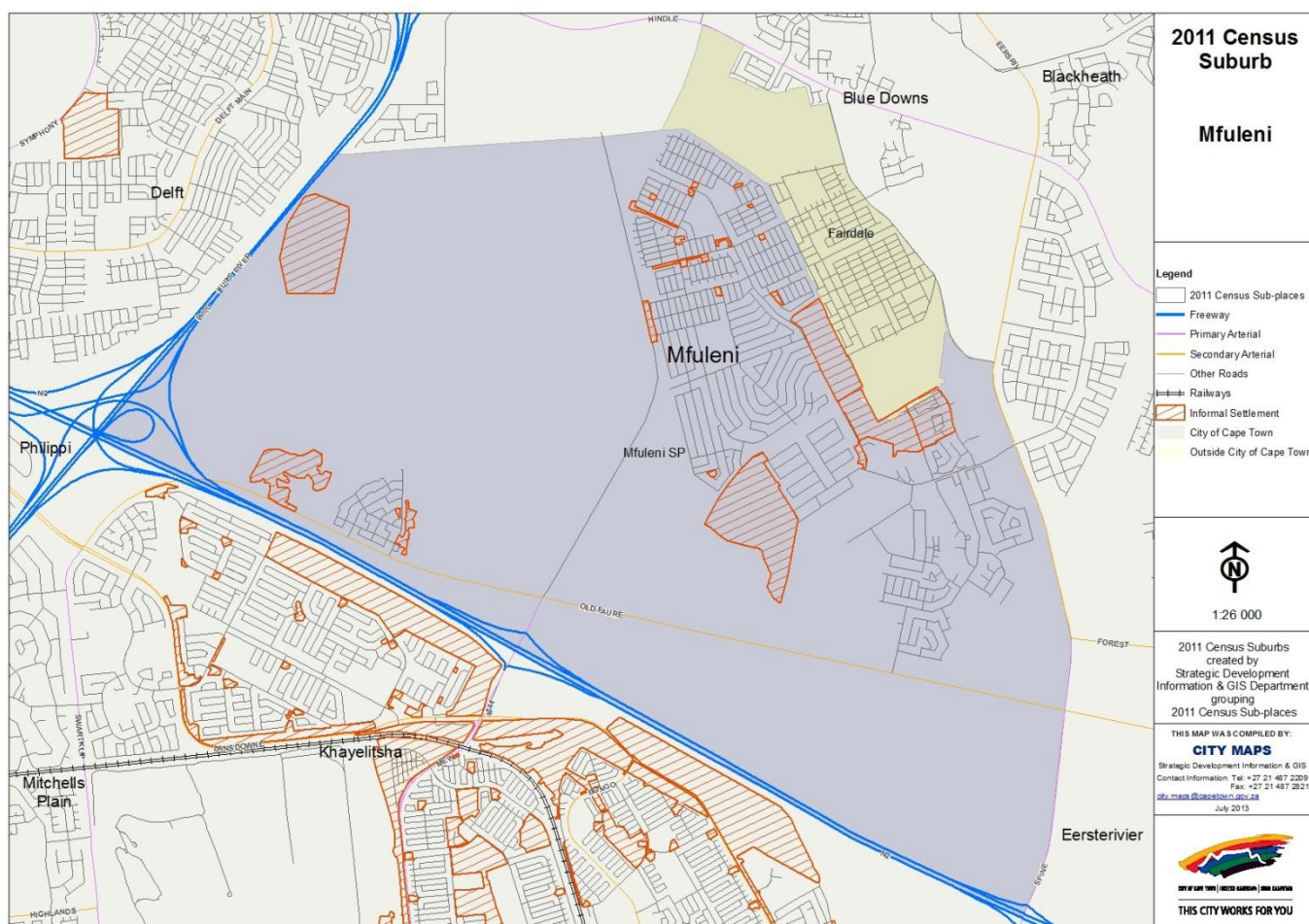
Compiled by Strategic Development Information and GIS Department (SDI&GIS), City of Cape Town  
2011 Census data supplied by Statistics South Africa  
(Based on information available at the time of compilation as released by Statistics South Africa)

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 Mfuleni includes the following sub-places: Fairdale, Mfuleni SP.



**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 Mfuleni</b>	<b>2011</b>
Population	64 269
Households	20 751
Average Household Size	3.10

In 2011 the population of 2011 Census suburb Mfuleni was 64 269 and the number of households was 20 751. The average household size was 3.10.

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 Mfuleni:**

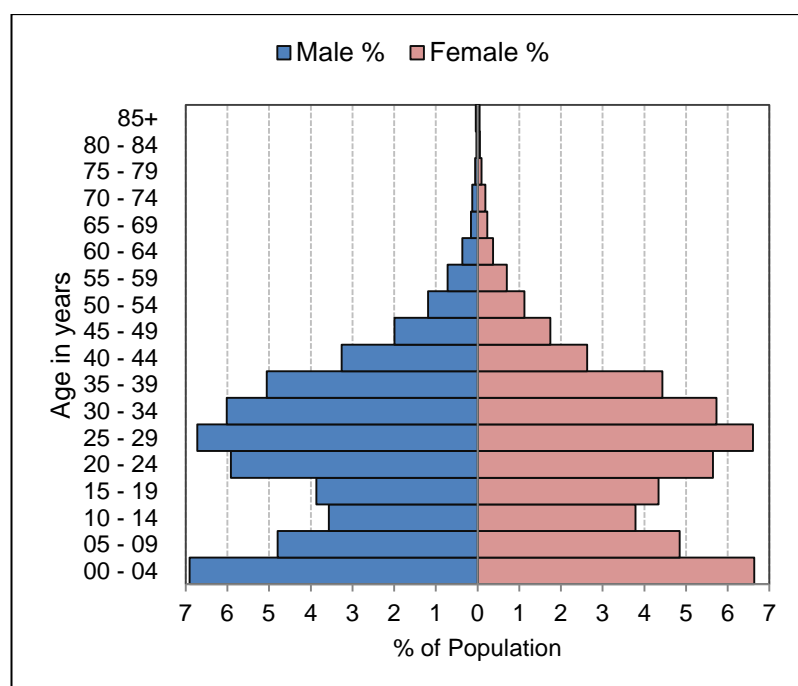
- The population is predominantly Black African (96%).
- 32% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 60% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 77% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 51% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 78% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 87% of households have access to a flush toilet connected to the public sewer system.
- 88% 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

Mfuleni Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	31 465	49.0%	30 456	47.4%	61 921	96.3%
Coloured	742	1.2%	1 003	1.6%	1 745	2.7%
Asian	33	0.1%	21	0.0%	54	0.1%
White	61	0.1%	55	0.1%	116	0.2%
Other	336	0.5%	98	0.2%	434	0.7%
Total	32 637	50.8%	31 633	49.2%	64 270	100.0%



Mfuleni Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	8 425	13.6%	219	12.5%	7	13.0%	8	6.8%	41	9.4%	8 700	13.5%
5 to 14 years	10 552	17.0%	335	19.2%	5	9.3%	18	15.4%	17	3.9%	10 927	17.0%
15 to 24 years	12 218	19.7%	331	19.0%	14	25.9%	15	12.8%	128	29.4%	12 706	19.8%
25 to 64 years	30 116	48.6%	822	47.1%	26	48.1%	67	57.3%	249	57.2%	31 280	48.7%
65 years and older	610	1.0%	39	2.2%	2	3.7%	9	7.7%	0	0.0%	660	1.0%
Total	61 921	100.0%	1 746	100.0%	54	100.0%	117	100.0%	435	100.0%	64 273	100.0%

Mfuleni Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	690	1.8%	27	3.5%	0	0.0%	3	12.5%	21	5.9%	741	1.9%
Some primary	3 960	10.5%	132	17.1%	6	18.2%	0	0.0%	39	11.0%	4 137	10.6%
Completed primary	1 842	4.9%	60	7.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	3.4%	1 914	4.9%
Some secondary	19 071	50.4%	411	53.3%	21	63.6%	12	50.0%	153	43.2%	19 668	50.4%
Grade 12	10 878	28.8%	132	17.1%	6	18.2%	9	37.5%	105	29.7%	11 130	28.5%
Higher	1 323	3.5%	9	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	6.8%	1 356	3.5%
Other	48	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	48	0.1%
Total	37 812	100.0%	771	100.0%	33	100.0%	24	100.0%	354	100.0%	38 994	100.0%

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## Economic Profile – 2011 Census

<b>Mfuleni Labour Force Indicators</b>	<b>Black African</b>	<b>Coloured</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Population aged 15 to 64 years</b>	<b>42 336</b>	<b>1 152</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>43 992</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>29 439</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>30 375</b>
Employed	17 739	336	21	15	258	18 369
Unemployed	11 700	249	6	9	42	12 006
<b>Not Economically Active</b>	<b>12 897</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>13 617</b>
Discouraged Work-seekers	2 010	27	3	0	3	2 043
Other not economically active	10 887	540	12	60	75	11 574
<b>Rates %</b>						
Unemployment rate	39.74%	42.56%	22.22%	37.50%	14.00%	39.53%
Labour absorption rate	41.90%	29.17%	50.00%	17.86%	68.25%	41.76%
Labour Force participation rate	69.54%	50.78%	64.29%	28.57%	79.37%	69.05%

### 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.

<b>Mfuleni Monthly Household Income</b>	<b>Black African</b>		<b>Coloured</b>		<b>Asian</b>		<b>White</b>		<b>Other</b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>Num</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Num</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Num</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Num</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Num</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Num</b>	<b>%</b>
No income	4 128	20.4%	51	14.9%	3	14.3%	3	20.0%	24	17.4%	4 209	20.3%
R 1 - R 1 600	6 444	31.8%	90	26.3%	9	42.9%	3	20.0%	42	30.4%	6 588	31.7%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	5 028	24.8%	105	30.7%	6	28.6%	6	40.0%	36	26.1%	5 181	25.0%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	2 889	14.3%	66	19.3%	3	14.3%	0	0.0%	24	17.4%	2 982	14.4%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	1 242	6.1%	21	6.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	4.3%	1 269	6.1%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	357	1.8%	6	1.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	4.3%	369	1.8%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	111	0.5%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	114	0.5%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	15	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	20.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
R 102 401 or more	27	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	27	0.1%
Unspecified	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>20 241</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>20 757</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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## Dwelling Profile – 2011 Census

Mfuleni Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	10 265	50.7%	200	58.5%	12	60.0%	3	27.3%	92	65.7%	10 572	50.9%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	1 808	8.9%	26	7.6%	3	15.0%	3	27.3%	27	19.3%	1 867	9.0%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	7 909	39.1%	88	25.7%	1	5.0%	4	36.4%	14	10.0%	8 016	38.6%
Other	258	1.3%	28	8.2%	4	20.0%	1	9.1%	7	5.0%	298	1.4%
Total	20 240	100.0%	342	100.0%	20	100.0%	11	100.0%	140	100.0%	20 753	100.0%

Mfuleni Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	5 851	28.9%	96	28.1%	1	5.3%	1	9.1%	8	5.7%	5 957	28.7%
Owned but not yet paid off	959	4.7%	15	4.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.7%	975	4.7%
Rented	2 973	14.7%	67	19.6%	12	63.2%	2	18.2%	105	75.0%	3 159	15.2%
Occupied rent-free	9 346	46.2%	147	43.0%	6	31.6%	8	72.7%	21	15.0%	9 528	45.9%
Other	1 110	5.5%	17	5.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	3.6%	1 132	5.5%
Total	20 239	100.0%	342	100.0%	19	100.0%	11	100.0%	140	100.0%	20 751	100.0%

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## Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Mfuleni Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	8 805	43.5%	183	53.5%	15	71.4%	3	25.0%	81	57.4%	9 087	43.8%
Piped water inside yard	6 927	34.2%	111	32.5%	3	14.3%	3	25.0%	57	40.4%	7 101	34.2%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	3 267	16.1%	39	11.4%	3	14.3%	6	50.0%	3	2.1%	3 318	16.0%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	852	4.2%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	855	4.1%
No access to piped water	390	1.9%	6	1.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	396	1.9%
Total	20 241	100.0%	342	100.0%	21	100.0%	12	100.0%	141	100.0%	20 757	100.0%

Mfuleni Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	17 634	87.1%	303	87.8%	18	100.0%	9	100.0%	138	97.9%	18 102	87.2%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	432	2.1%	9	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	441	2.1%
Chemical toilet	522	2.6%	9	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	531	2.6%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	18	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
Pit toilet without ventilation	24	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	0.1%
Bucket toilet	447	2.2%	6	1.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	453	2.2%
Other	210	1.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.1%	213	1.0%
None	954	4.7%	18	5.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	972	4.7%
Total	20 241	100.0%	345	100.0%	18	100.0%	9	100.0%	141	100.0%	20 754	100.0%

Mfuleni 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	17 709	87.5%	321	93.9%	18	100.0%	9	75.0%	135	97.8%	18 192	87.7%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	327	1.6%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	330	1.6%
Communal refuse dump	1 410	7.0%	9	2.6%	0	0.0%	3	25.0%	3	2.2%	1 425	6.9%
Own refuse dump	465	2.3%	6	1.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	471	2.3%
No rubbish disposal	246	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	246	1.2%
Other	81	0.4%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	84	0.4%
Total	20 238	100.0%	342	100.0%	18	100.0%	12	100.0%	138	100.0%	20 748	100.0%

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## Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Mfuleni Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	16 902	83.5%	312	90.4%	18	100.0%	9	100.0%	141	97.9%	17 382	83.8%
Gas	138	0.7%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	141	0.7%
Paraffin	2 457	12.1%	18	5.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.1%	2 478	11.9%
Candles	663	3.3%	9	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	672	3.2%
Solar	36	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
None	39	0.2%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	42	0.2%
Total	20 235	100.0%	345	100.0%	18	100.0%	9	100.0%	144	100.0%	20 751	100.0%

Mfuleni Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	16 182	80.0%	300	87.0%	18	85.7%	12	100.0%	129	93.5%	16 641	80.2%
Gas	1 947	9.6%	24	7.0%	3	14.3%	0	0.0%	9	6.5%	1 983	9.6%
Paraffin	1 956	9.7%	15	4.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1 971	9.5%
Wood	36	0.2%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	39	0.2%
Coal	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%
Animal dung	15	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
Solar	42	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	42	0.2%
Other	21	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	21	0.1%
None	33	0.2%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
Total	20 238	100.0%	345	100.0%	21	100.0%	12	100.0%	138	100.0%	20 754	100.0%

Mfuleni Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	6 780	33.5%	183	53.5%	9	42.9%	6	66.7%	63	45.7%	7 041	33.9%
Gas	825	4.1%	6	1.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	4.3%	837	4.0%
Paraffin	7 656	37.8%	63	18.4%	3	14.3%	0	0.0%	21	15.2%	7 743	37.3%
Wood	303	1.5%	6	1.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	309	1.5%
Coal	36	0.2%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	39	0.2%
Animal dung	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
Solar	30	0.1%	3	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	0.2%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
None	4 599	22.7%	78	22.8%	9	42.9%	3	33.3%	48	34.8%	4 737	22.8%
Total	20 241	100.0%	342	100.0%	21	100.0%	9	100.0%	138	100.0%	20 751	100.0%

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