

City of Cape Town – 2011 Census Suburb Somerset West

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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 Somerset West includes the following sub-places: Andas Estate, Bel` Aire, Bene, Bergalo, Boskloof Eco Estate, Braeview, Bridgebank, Bridgewater, Briza, Canwick, Carey Parks, Cherrywood Gardens, Chrisnissen Village, Dennegeur, Die Wingerd, Dorhill, Fairview Heights, Fraai Gelegen, Garden Village, Golden Acre, Golden Hill, Greenway Rise, Haumannshof, Helderberg, Helderberg Estate, Helderberg Village, Helderrand, Heldervue, Helderzicht, Helena Heights, Heritage Mews, Heritage Park, Illaire, Jacques Hill, Jonkershoogte, Kalamunda, La Concorde, La Montagne, La Sandra, Land En Zeezicht, Lionviham, Longdown Estate, Lynn`s View, Martinville, Montclair, Monte Sereno, Morningside, Natures Valley (Somerset West), Olive Grove, Paardevlei, Parel Vallei, Pearl Marina, Radloff Park, Rome Glen, Roundhay, Shady Glen, Somerset Park, Somerset Ridge, Somerset West Business Park, Somerset West Country Club, Somerset West SP, Spanish Farm, Spanish Farm Ext 1, Steenbras View, Steyn`s Nest, Stuart`s Hill, The Links, The Vines (Somerset West), Van Der Stel, Victoria Park, Westridge (Somerset West), Zandberg.



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 Somerset West	2011
Population	43 648
Households	15 720
Average Household Size	2.78

In 2011 the population of 2011 Census suburb Somerset West was 43 648 and the number of households was 15 720. The average household size was 2.78.

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 Somerset West:

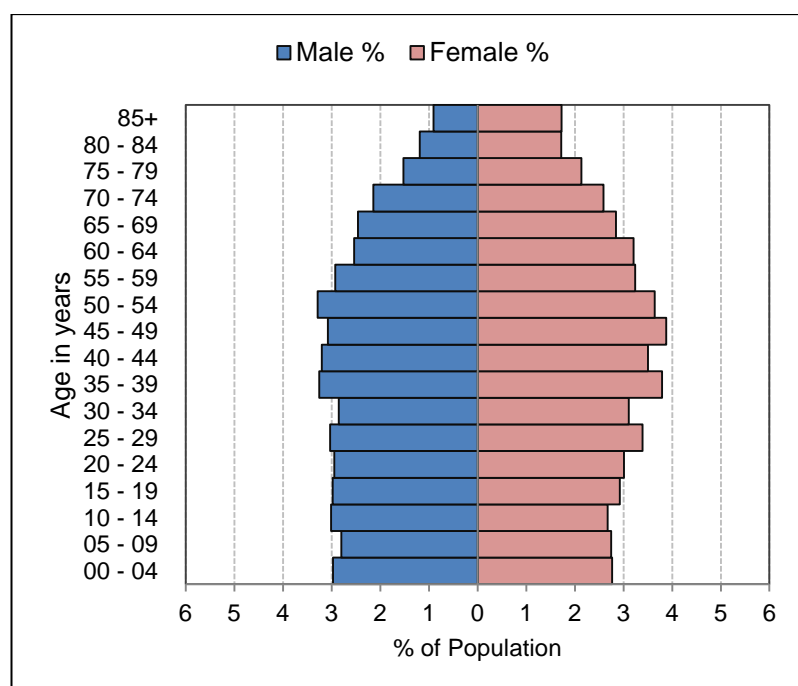
- The population is predominantly White (73%).
- 81% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 94% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 19% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 98% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 99% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 98% 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.
- 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.

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Demographic Profile – 2011 Census

Somerset West Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	2 165	5.0%	2 388	5.5%	4 553	10.4%
Coloured	2 910	6.7%	3 213	7.4%	6 123	14.0%
Asian	197	0.5%	219	0.5%	416	1.0%
White	14 934	34.2%	16 943	38.8%	31 877	73.0%
Other	351	0.8%	328	0.8%	679	1.6%
Total	20 557	47.1%	23 091	52.9%	43 648	100.0%



Somerset West Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	337	7.4%	543	8.9%	30	7.2%	1 543	4.8%	49	7.2%	2 502	5.7%
5 to 14 years	505	11.1%	909	14.8%	61	14.7%	3 332	10.5%	95	14.0%	4 902	11.2%
15 to 24 years	727	16.0%	1 034	16.9%	88	21.2%	3 246	10.2%	84	12.4%	5 179	11.9%
25 to 64 years	2 361	51.8%	3 248	53.0%	204	49.0%	16 469	51.7%	385	56.7%	22 667	51.9%
65 years and older	624	13.7%	389	6.4%	33	7.9%	7 287	22.9%	66	9.7%	8 399	19.2%
Total	4 554	100.0%	6 123	100.0%	416	100.0%	31 877	100.0%	679	100.0%	43 649	100.0%

Somerset West Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	24	1.0%	54	1.4%	9	3.7%	42	0.2%	6	1.3%	135	0.4%
Some primary	123	4.9%	426	10.9%	15	6.1%	147	0.6%	6	1.3%	717	2.3%
Completed primary	54	2.2%	213	5.4%	3	1.2%	66	0.3%	3	0.6%	339	1.1%
Some secondary	534	21.3%	1 338	34.1%	33	13.4%	2 112	8.9%	57	12.0%	4 074	13.2%
Grade 12	813	32.4%	1 119	28.5%	78	31.7%	7 152	30.0%	156	32.9%	9 318	30.1%
Higher	930	37.0%	765	19.5%	105	42.7%	13 821	58.0%	240	50.6%	15 861	51.2%
Other	33	1.3%	9	0.2%	3	1.2%	474	2.0%	6	1.3%	525	1.7%
Total	2 511	100.0%	3 924	100.0%	246	100.0%	23 814	100.0%	474	100.0%	30 969	100.0%

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Economic Profile – 2011 Census

Somerset West Labour Force Indicators	Black African	Coloured	Asian	White	Other	Total
Population aged 15 to 64 years	3 090	4 281	288	19 713	468	27 840
Labour Force	1 704	2 721	150	14 166	318	19 059
Employed	1 497	2 466	135	13 584	300	17 982
Unemployed	207	255	15	582	18	1 077
Not Economically Active	1 386	1 560	138	5 547	150	8 781
Discouraged Work-seekers	72	195	9	120	15	411
Other not economically active	1 314	1 365	129	5 427	135	8 370
Rates %						
Unemployment rate	12.15%	9.37%	10.00%	4.11%	5.66%	5.65%
Labour absorption rate	48.45%	57.60%	46.88%	68.91%	64.10%	64.59%
Labour Force participation rate	55.15%	63.56%	52.08%	71.86%	67.95%	68.46%

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.

Somerset West Monthly Household Income	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No income	207	16.9%	270	17.2%	18	18.8%	1 176	9.3%	30	15.6%	1 701	10.8%
R 1 - R 1 600	132	10.8%	195	12.4%	3	3.1%	279	2.2%	15	7.8%	624	4.0%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	156	12.7%	189	12.0%	0	0.0%	351	2.8%	15	7.8%	711	4.5%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	159	13.0%	216	13.8%	9	9.4%	870	6.9%	9	4.7%	1 263	8.0%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	141	11.5%	219	14.0%	18	18.8%	1 968	15.6%	27	14.1%	2 373	15.1%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	189	15.4%	231	14.7%	12	12.5%	2 898	22.9%	36	18.8%	3 366	21.4%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	141	11.5%	174	11.1%	21	21.9%	2 880	22.8%	42	21.9%	3 258	20.7%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	66	5.4%	51	3.3%	9	9.4%	1 539	12.2%	15	7.8%	1 680	10.7%
R 102 401 or more	33	2.7%	21	1.3%	6	6.3%	672	5.3%	3	1.6%	735	4.7%
Unspecified	0	0.0%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
Total	1 224	100.0%	1 569	100.0%	96	100.0%	12 639	100.0%	192	100.0%	15 720	100.0%

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Dwelling Profile – 2011 Census

Somerset West Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	1 147	94.0%	1 453	92.8%	88	94.6%	12 515	99.0%	191	96.5%	15 394	97.9%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	29	2.4%	13	0.8%	1	1.1%	17	0.1%	0	0.0%	60	0.4%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	27	2.2%	7	0.4%	1	1.1%	14	0.1%	0	0.0%	49	0.3%
Other	17	1.4%	92	5.9%	3	3.2%	97	0.8%	7	3.5%	216	1.4%
Total	1 220	100.0%	1 565	100.0%	93	100.0%	12 643	100.0%	198	100.0%	15 719	100.0%

Somerset West Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	399	32.7%	520	33.2%	18	19.1%	5 548	43.9%	45	22.8%	6 530	41.5%
Owned but not yet paid off	235	19.3%	338	21.6%	25	26.6%	3 663	29.0%	64	32.5%	4 325	27.5%
Rented	418	34.3%	583	37.2%	50	53.2%	3 101	24.5%	80	40.6%	4 232	26.9%
Occupied rent-free	71	5.8%	96	6.1%	1	1.1%	183	1.4%	3	1.5%	354	2.3%
Other	97	8.0%	29	1.9%	0	0.0%	149	1.2%	5	2.5%	280	1.8%
Total	1 220	100.0%	1 566	100.0%	94	100.0%	12 644	100.0%	197	100.0%	15 721	100.0%

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Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Somerset West Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	1 146	94.1%	1 443	91.8%	96	97.0%	12 507	98.9%	177	89.4%	15 369	97.7%
Piped water inside yard	45	3.7%	96	6.1%	0	0.0%	57	0.5%	12	6.1%	210	1.3%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	9	0.7%	9	0.6%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%	6	3.0%	33	0.2%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	9	0.7%	6	0.4%	0	0.0%	30	0.2%	3	1.5%	48	0.3%
No access to piped water	9	0.7%	18	1.1%	3	3.0%	42	0.3%	0	0.0%	72	0.5%
Total	1 218	100.0%	1 572	100.0%	99	100.0%	12 645	100.0%	198	100.0%	15 732	100.0%

Somerset West Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	1 188	97.1%	1 482	94.6%	96	97.0%	12 519	99.0%	195	100.0%	15 480	98.4%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	21	1.7%	33	2.1%	0	0.0%	75	0.6%	0	0.0%	129	0.8%
Chemical toilet	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	3	0.2%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
Pit toilet without ventilation	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Bucket toilet	3	0.2%	30	1.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	0.2%
Other	3	0.2%	12	0.8%	0	0.0%	21	0.2%	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
None	6	0.5%	6	0.4%	3	3.0%	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	27	0.2%
Total	1 224	100.0%	1 566	100.0%	99	100.0%	12 648	100.0%	195	100.0%	15 732	100.0%

Somerset West 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	1 161	95.3%	1 515	96.4%	93	96.9%	12 546	99.3%	192	98.5%	15 507	98.6%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	33	2.7%	12	0.8%	3	3.1%	45	0.4%	0	0.0%	93	0.6%
Communal refuse dump	12	1.0%	12	0.8%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
Own refuse dump	6	0.5%	24	1.5%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%	0	0.0%	48	0.3%
No rubbish disposal	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
Other	3	0.2%	9	0.6%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%	3	1.5%	27	0.2%
Total	1 218	100.0%	1 572	100.0%	96	100.0%	12 639	100.0%	195	100.0%	15 720	100.0%

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Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Somerset West Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	1 194	97.5%	1 542	98.5%	93	100.0%	12 594	99.6%	195	100.0%	15 618	99.4%
Gas	0	0.0%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
Paraffin	15	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
Candles	9	0.7%	12	0.8%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	24	0.2%
Solar	3	0.2%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	27	0.2%	0	0.0%	33	0.2%
None	3	0.2%	6	0.4%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
Total	1 224	100.0%	1 566	100.0%	93	100.0%	12 642	100.0%	195	100.0%	15 720	100.0%

Somerset West Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	1 053	86.7%	1 449	92.9%	84	87.5%	10 224	80.9%	156	80.0%	12 966	82.6%
Gas	132	10.9%	84	5.4%	12	12.5%	2 319	18.3%	39	20.0%	2 586	16.5%
Paraffin	15	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%
Wood	0	0.0%	6	0.4%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
Coal	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
Animal dung	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
Solar	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	21	0.2%	0	0.0%	24	0.2%
Other	6	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	45	0.4%	0	0.0%	51	0.3%
None	6	0.5%	21	1.3%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	0.2%
Total	1 215	100.0%	1 560	100.0%	96	100.0%	12 639	100.0%	195	100.0%	15 705	100.0%

Somerset West Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	861	70.5%	1 209	77.4%	69	76.7%	9 477	75.0%	135	69.2%	11 751	74.8%
Gas	69	5.7%	39	2.5%	6	6.7%	1 140	9.0%	12	6.2%	1 266	8.1%
Paraffin	66	5.4%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	30	0.2%	3	1.5%	102	0.6%
Wood	54	4.4%	45	2.9%	6	6.7%	1 125	8.9%	15	7.7%	1 245	7.9%
Coal	6	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	30	0.2%	0	0.0%	36	0.2%
Animal dung	0	0.0%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%	0	0.0%	21	0.1%
Solar	9	0.7%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	150	1.2%	3	1.5%	165	1.1%
Other	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
None	153	12.5%	261	16.7%	9	10.0%	672	5.3%	27	13.8%	1 122	7.1%
Total	1 221	100.0%	1 563	100.0%	90	100.0%	12 642	100.0%	195	100.0%	15 711	100.0%

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