

# City of Cape Town – 2011 Census - Blaauwberg Planning District

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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)

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## Planning District Description

The Blaauwberg Planning District covers approximately 55 000 ha and incorporates part of the urban core in the south, large areas of agricultural and conservation land, as well as outer lying towns. It is bounded by the Atlantic Ocean to the west, the N7 freeway to the east and stretches from the area of Paarden Eiland in the south, to the rural town of Mamre in the north.



**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

**Planning District Overview - 2011 Census**

Blaauwberg Planning District	2001	2011	Change 2001 to 2011	
			Number	%
Population	152 299	263 735	111 436	73.2%
Households	44 309	87 515	43 206	97.5%
Average Household Size	3.44	3.01		

In 2011 the population of Blaauwberg Planning District was 263 735 an increase of 73% since 2001, and the number of households was 87 515, an increase of 98% since 2001. The average household size has declined from 3.44 to 3.01 in the 10 years.

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 Planning District for 2011.

**Key results for Blaauwberg Planning District:**

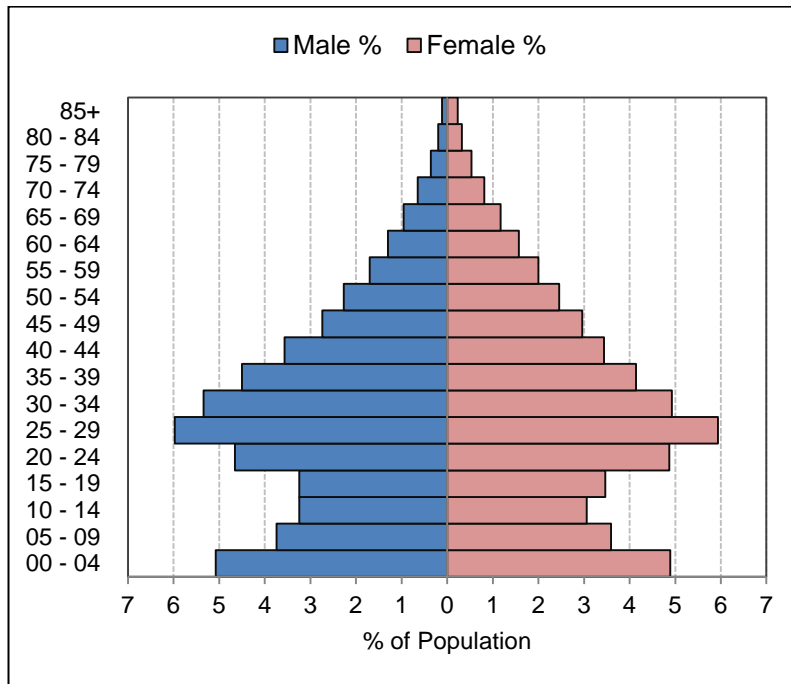
- The population is predominantly Coloured (34%), Black African (32%) and white (30%).
- 56% of those aged 20 years and older have completed Grade 12 or higher.
- 82% of the labour force (aged 15 to 64) is employed.
- 38% of households have a monthly income of R3 200 or less.
- 82% of households live in formal dwellings.
- 89% of households have access to piped water in their dwelling or inside their yard.
- 88% of households have access to a flush toilet connected to the public sewer system.
- 97% of households have their refuse removed at least once a week.
- 90% 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

Blaauwberg Planning District Population	Male		Female		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Black African	44 055	16.7%	40 911	15.5%	84 966	32.2%
Coloured	42 651	16.2%	46 461	17.6%	89 112	33.8%
Asian	2 223	0.8%	2 205	0.8%	4 428	1.7%
White	38 433	14.6%	40 787	15.5%	79 220	30.0%
Other	3 542	1.3%	2 467	0.9%	6 009	2.3%
Total	130 904	49.6%	132 831	50.4%	263 735	100.0%



Blaauwberg Planning District Age	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
0 to 4 years	11 118	13.1%	9 411	10.6%	396	9.0%	4 746	6.0%	609	10.1%	26 280	10.0%
5 to 14 years	11 175	13.2%	15 558	17.5%	516	11.7%	8 034	10.1%	663	11.0%	35 946	13.6%
15 to 24 years	16 029	18.9%	16 362	18.4%	555	12.6%	8 910	11.2%	969	16.1%	42 825	16.2%
25 to 64 years	45 615	53.7%	44 550	50.0%	2 784	63.0%	48 069	60.7%	3 552	59.1%	144 570	54.8%
65 years and older	1 029	1.2%	3 234	3.6%	168	3.8%	9 456	11.9%	216	3.6%	14 103	5.3%
Total	84 966	100.0%	89 115	100.0%	4 419	100.0%	79 215	100.0%	6 009	100.0%	263 724	100.0%

Blaauwberg Planning District Adult Education (for all aged 20+)	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
No schooling	915	1.6%	1 044	1.9%	30	0.9%	168	0.3%	141	3.2%	2 298	1.3%
Some primary	4 503	8.0%	5 790	10.4%	69	2.2%	642	1.0%	207	4.7%	11 211	6.2%
Completed primary	2 010	3.6%	3 690	6.6%	36	1.1%	333	0.5%	108	2.4%	6 177	3.4%
Some secondary	21 726	38.5%	24 630	44.1%	414	13.0%	10 125	16.4%	1 203	27.3%	58 098	32.0%
Grade 12	16 839	29.8%	16 167	29.0%	933	29.2%	24 339	39.4%	1 644	37.3%	59 922	33.0%
Higher	10 065	17.8%	4 338	7.8%	1 623	50.8%	25 401	41.1%	951	21.5%	42 378	23.3%
Other	375	0.7%	180	0.3%	90	2.8%	837	1.4%	159	3.6%	1 641	0.9%
Total	56 433	100.0%	55 839	100.0%	3 195	100.0%	61 845	100.0%	4 413	100.0%	181 725	100.0%

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## Economic Profile – 2011 Census

<b>Blaauwberg Planning District 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>61 641</b>	<b>60 906</b>	<b>3 339</b>	<b>56 985</b>	<b>4 521</b>	<b>187 392</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>47 073</b>	<b>37 959</b>	<b>2 433</b>	<b>44 220</b>	<b>3 450</b>	<b>135 135</b>
Employed	34 302	29 187	2 271	41 826	2 898	110 484
Unemployed	12 771	8 772	162	2 394	552	24 651
<b>Not Economically Active</b>	<b>14 568</b>	<b>22 947</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>12 765</b>	<b>1 071</b>	<b>52 257</b>
Discouraged Work-seekers	1 812	2 520	27	369	60	4 788
Other not economically active	12 756	20 427	879	12 396	1 011	47 469
<b>Rates %</b>						
Unemployment rate	27.13%	23.11%	6.66%	5.41%	16.00%	18.24%
Labour absorption rate	55.65%	47.92%	68.01%	73.40%	64.10%	58.96%
Labour Force participation rate	76.37%	62.32%	72.87%	77.60%	76.31%	72.11%

### 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.

<b>Blaauwberg Planning District 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	6 161	19.8%	1 977	9.6%	119	7.9%	2 557	7.8%	230	13.8%	11 044	12.6%
R 1 - R 1 600	6 642	21.3%	2 940	14.3%	45	3.0%	1 257	3.9%	215	12.9%	11 099	12.7%
R 1 601 - R 3 200	6 321	20.3%	3 321	16.2%	36	2.4%	1 199	3.7%	307	18.4%	11 184	12.8%
R 3 201 - R 6 400	4 249	13.6%	4 113	20.0%	100	6.7%	2 595	7.9%	328	19.6%	11 385	13.0%
R 6 401 - R 12 800	2 848	9.1%	3 649	17.7%	178	11.9%	4 916	15.1%	225	13.5%	11 816	13.5%
R 12 801 - R 25 600	2 242	7.2%	2 588	12.6%	328	21.9%	7 447	22.8%	172	10.3%	12 777	14.6%
R 25 601 - R 51 200	1 711	5.5%	1 404	6.8%	389	26.0%	7 695	23.6%	131	7.8%	11 330	12.9%
R 51 201 - R 102 400	660	2.1%	396	1.9%	221	14.8%	3 741	11.5%	44	2.6%	5 062	5.8%
R 102 401 or more	309	1.0%	169	0.8%	82	5.5%	1 233	3.8%	20	1.2%	1 813	2.1%
Unspecified	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	0.0%	0	0.0%	8	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>31 143</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>20 558</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1 498</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>32 647</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1 672</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>87 518</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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## Dwelling Profile – 2011 Census

Blaauwberg Planning District Type of Dwelling	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Formal Dwelling	16 688	53.6%	19 515	94.9%	1 475	98.5%	32 367	99.1%	1 421	85.0%	71 466	81.7%
Informal dwelling / shack in backyard	5 267	16.9%	447	2.2%	8	0.5%	27	0.1%	189	11.3%	5 938	6.8%
Informal dwelling / shack NOT in backyard	8 678	27.9%	231	1.1%	11	0.7%	61	0.2%	41	2.5%	9 022	10.3%
Other	510	1.6%	363	1.8%	3	0.2%	192	0.6%	20	1.2%	1 088	1.2%
Total	31 143	100.0%	20 556	100.0%	1 497	100.0%	32 647	100.0%	1 671	100.0%	87 514	100.0%

Blaauwberg Planning District Tenure Status	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Owned and fully paid off	8 329	26.7%	6 269	30.5%	243	16.2%	7 894	24.2%	248	14.8%	22 983	26.3%
Owned but not yet paid off	3 083	9.9%	7 309	35.6%	506	33.8%	11 896	36.4%	271	16.2%	23 065	26.4%
Rented	13 880	44.6%	5 781	28.1%	707	47.2%	12 055	36.9%	1 032	61.7%	33 455	38.2%
Occupied rent-free	5 071	16.3%	653	3.2%	28	1.9%	430	1.3%	90	5.4%	6 272	7.2%
Other	780	2.5%	544	2.6%	13	0.9%	371	1.1%	31	1.9%	1 739	2.0%
Total	31 143	100.0%	20 556	100.0%	1 497	100.0%	32 646	100.0%	1 672	100.0%	87 514	100.0%

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## Household Services Profile – 2011 Census

Blaauwberg Planning District Access to Piped Water	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Piped water inside dwelling	15 768	50.6%	18 894	91.9%	1 467	98.2%	32 352	99.1%	1 260	75.5%	69 741	79.7%
Piped water inside yard	6 663	21.4%	1 236	6.0%	9	0.6%	129	0.4%	363	21.8%	8 400	9.6%
Piped water outside yard: < 200m	6 912	22.2%	168	0.8%	6	0.4%	33	0.1%	21	1.3%	7 140	8.2%
Piped water outside yard: > 200m	1 671	5.4%	69	0.3%	6	0.4%	42	0.1%	12	0.7%	1 800	2.1%
No access to piped water	129	0.4%	189	0.9%	6	0.4%	93	0.3%	12	0.7%	429	0.5%
Total	31 143	100.0%	20 556	100.0%	1 494	100.0%	32 649	100.0%	1 668	100.0%	87 510	100.0%

Blaauwberg Planning District Toilet Facility	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Flush toilet (connected to sewerage system)	22 689	72.9%	19 080	92.8%	1 479	98.8%	32 181	98.6%	1 602	95.9%	77 031	88.0%
Flush toilet (with septic tank)	942	3.0%	294	1.4%	6	0.4%	342	1.0%	21	1.3%	1 605	1.8%
Chemical toilet	1 917	6.2%	21	0.1%	6	0.4%	12	0.0%	3	0.2%	1 959	2.2%
Pit toilet with ventilation (VIP)	27	0.1%	30	0.1%	0	0.0%	12	0.0%	3	0.2%	72	0.1%
Pit toilet without ventilation	51	0.2%	30	0.1%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	87	0.1%
Bucket toilet	2 889	9.3%	504	2.5%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%	21	1.3%	3 432	3.9%
Other	834	2.7%	189	0.9%	3	0.2%	27	0.1%	9	0.5%	1 062	1.2%
None	1 794	5.8%	405	2.0%	3	0.2%	51	0.2%	12	0.7%	2 265	2.6%
Total	31 143	100.0%	20 553	100.0%	1 497	100.0%	32 649	100.0%	1 671	100.0%	87 513	100.0%

Blaauwberg Planning District 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	29 970	96.2%	20 031	97.5%	1 476	98.2%	32 097	98.3%	1 650	98.9%	85 224	97.4%
Removed by local authority/private company less often	267	0.9%	33	0.2%	3	0.2%	84	0.3%	3	0.2%	390	0.4%
Communal refuse dump	207	0.7%	231	1.1%	15	1.0%	231	0.7%	0	0.0%	684	0.8%
Own refuse dump	516	1.7%	132	0.6%	3	0.2%	114	0.3%	9	0.5%	774	0.9%
No rubbish disposal	150	0.5%	60	0.3%	3	0.2%	60	0.2%	3	0.2%	276	0.3%
Other	33	0.1%	66	0.3%	3	0.2%	60	0.2%	3	0.2%	165	0.2%
Total	31 143	100.0%	20 553	100.0%	1 503	100.0%	32 646	100.0%	1 668	100.0%	87 513	100.0%

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## Household Services Profile continued – 2011 Census

Blaauwberg Planning District Energy used for Lighting	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	23 298	74.8%	20 154	98.0%	1 485	99.4%	32 496	99.5%	1 638	98.0%	79 071	90.4%
Gas	120	0.4%	30	0.1%	0	0.0%	45	0.1%	3	0.2%	198	0.2%
Paraffin	6 132	19.7%	78	0.4%	3	0.2%	15	0.0%	18	1.1%	6 246	7.1%
Candles	1 467	4.7%	243	1.2%	3	0.2%	21	0.1%	6	0.4%	1 740	2.0%
Solar	57	0.2%	27	0.1%	3	0.2%	45	0.1%	3	0.2%	135	0.2%
None	69	0.2%	27	0.1%	0	0.0%	27	0.1%	3	0.2%	126	0.1%
Total	31 143	100.0%	20 559	100.0%	1 494	100.0%	32 649	100.0%	1 671	100.0%	87 516	100.0%

Blaauwberg Planning District Energy used for Cooking	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	22 602	72.6%	19 611	95.4%	1 347	89.8%	28 683	87.9%	1 542	92.3%	73 785	84.3%
Gas	2 871	9.2%	528	2.6%	120	8.0%	3 612	11.1%	87	5.2%	7 218	8.2%
Paraffin	5 286	17.0%	99	0.5%	3	0.2%	18	0.1%	18	1.1%	5 424	6.2%
Wood	99	0.3%	150	0.7%	3	0.2%	42	0.1%	3	0.2%	297	0.3%
Coal	18	0.1%	21	0.1%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	42	0.0%
Animal dung	9	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.0%	3	0.2%	27	0.0%
Solar	48	0.2%	18	0.1%	3	0.2%	36	0.1%	6	0.4%	111	0.1%
Other	132	0.4%	84	0.4%	24	1.6%	210	0.6%	6	0.4%	456	0.5%
None	75	0.2%	39	0.7%	0	0.0%	33	0.1%	6	0.4%	153	0.2%
Total	31 140	100.0%	20 556	100.0%	1 500	100.0%	32 646	100.0%	1 671	100.0%	87 513	100.0%

Blaauwberg Planning District Energy used for Heating	Black African		Coloured		Asian		White		Other		Total	
	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%	Num	%
Electricity	13 860	44.5%	17 205	83.7%	1 275	85.2%	25 026	76.6%	1 131	67.4%	58 497	66.8%
Gas	885	2.8%	300	1.5%	81	5.4%	2 886	8.8%	60	3.6%	4 212	4.8%
Paraffin	7 962	25.6%	195	0.9%	9	0.6%	48	0.1%	81	4.8%	8 295	9.5%
Wood	354	1.1%	558	2.7%	30	2.0%	1 254	3.8%	18	1.1%	2 214	2.5%
Coal	63	0.2%	24	0.1%	0	0.0%	54	0.2%	0	0.0%	141	0.2%
Animal dung	12	0.0%	9	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%	6	0.4%	45	0.1%
Solar	69	0.2%	33	0.2%	6	0.4%	189	0.6%	6	0.4%	303	0.3%
Other	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.0%
None	7 935	25.5%	2 238	10.9%	96	6.4%	3 171	9.7%	375	22.4%	13 815	15.8%
Total	31 143	100.0%	20 562	100.0%	1 497	100.0%	32 652	100.0%	1 677	100.0%	87 531	100.0%

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