

2006 General Household Survey Analysis for Cape Town

Summary

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2006 General Household Survey data supplied by Statistics South Africa.

Disclaimer: Please be advised that the sample sizes within individual categories are small and as a result statistical confidence in using these data is limited.

1 Introduction

The General Household Survey (GHS) captures a wide range of information in order to measure various aspects of the living circumstances of households.

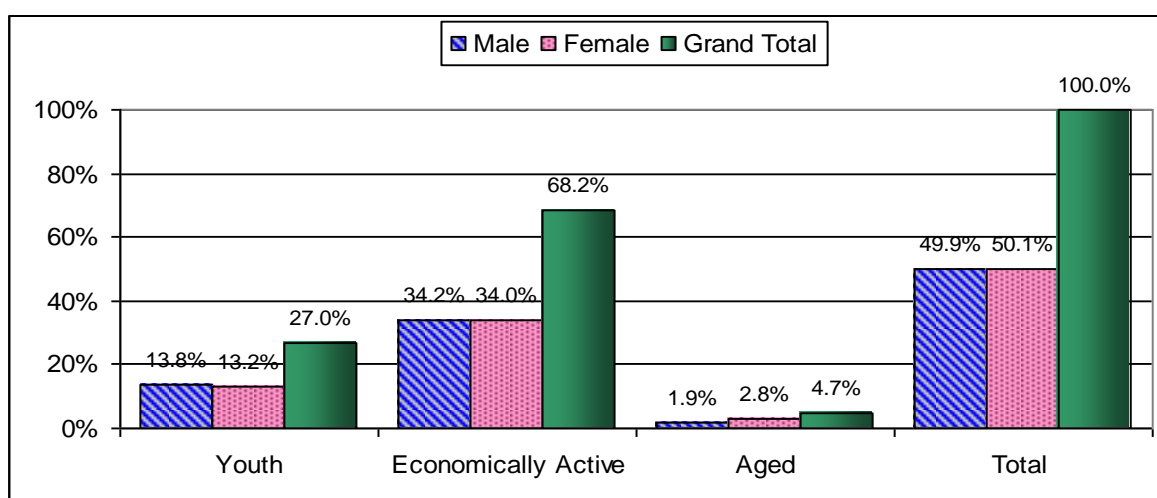
The GHS is conducted in July each year by Statistics South Africa on a national scale and is stratified on a District Council basis. All the records in the sample were weighted.

	Black African	Coloured	Asian	White	Total
Households	244	282	3	136	665
Individuals	862	1,216	8	343	2,429

Households and individuals sampled in Cape Town

2 Person Information

2.1 Demographic Profile



Demographic	Males	Females	Total	Comment
Population	1,605,318 49.9%	1,610,904 50.1%	3,216,222 100.0%	
Youth	443,536 13.8%	425,796 13.2%	869,332 27.0%	All aged 0 to 14 years
Economically active	1,099,523 34.2%	1,095,097 34.1%	2,194,620 68.3%	All aged 15 to 64 years
Aged	62,259 1.9%	90,011 2.8%	152,270 4.7%	All 65 years and older

2.2 Education

Education	Males	Females	Total	Comment
Adults with no formal education	18,246 0.9%	16,759 0.8%	35,005 1.7%	All 20 years and older % of total population
Adults with at least grade 12	427,685 21.0%	431,837 21.2%	859,522 42.2%	All 20 years and older % of total population
Attending an educational institution	482,794 15.0%	413,412 12.9%	896,206 27.9%	% of total population
Aged 7 to 14 attending an educational institution	237,482 99.2%	217,628 100.0%	455,110 99.6%	% by gender for all aged 7 to 14 years
Aged 7 to 19 not attending an educational institution	416,033 14.0%	353,888 13.7%	769,921 13.9%	% by gender for all aged 7 to 19 years

2.3 Welfare

Welfare	Males	Females	Total	Comment
Used a welfare office or service in past year	106,887 3.3%	272,971 8.5%	379,858 11.8%	% of total population
Satisfied with welfare service	78,367 73.3%	242,195 88.7%	320,562 88.4%	% by gender of those using the service
Receive an old age pension	38,877 1.2%	84,747 2.6%	123,624 3.8%	% of total population
Receive a disability grant	38,713 1.2%	27,089 0.9%	65,802 2.1%	% of total population
Receive a child support grant	107,391 3.3%	115,293 3.6%	222,684 6.9%	% of total population

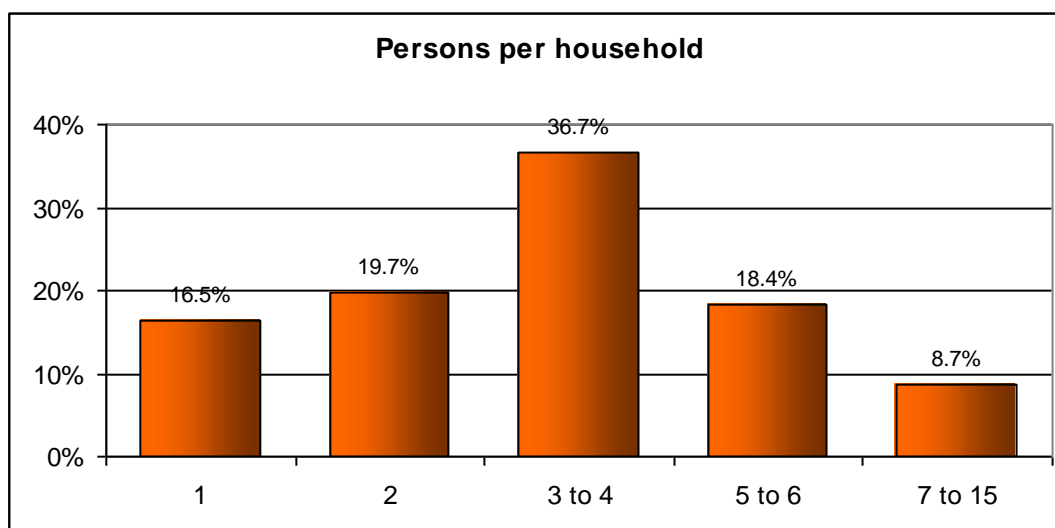
2.4 Health

Health	Males	Females	Total	Comment
Public sector consultations for illness/injury in June	70,109 2.2%	100,441 3.1%	170,550 5.3%	% of total population
Private sector consultations for illness/injury in June	39,716 1.2%	71,423 2.2%	111,139 3.4%	% of total population
No consultation for illness/injury during June	22,347 0.7%	24,144 0.8%	46,490 1.5%	% of total population
Satisfied with health worker consultations	98,509 89.7%	160,174 93.2%	258,683 91.8%	% by gender of those using the service
Access to Medical Aid	313,370 9.7%	320,896 10.0%	634,266 19.7%	% of total population
Disabled	49,120 1.5%	42,626 1.3%	91,746 2.8%	% of total population

3 Household Information

3.1 Households

Households	Males	Females	Total
Number of households by gender of household head	590,166 65.2%	315,437 34.8%	905,603 100.0%



3.2 Dwellings

Dwelling Type	Owned, fully paid	Owned, not fully paid	Rented	Rent free	Boarder	Total
House on a separate stand	216,213 51.1%	161,543 87.3%	51,404 23.2%	12,357 17.1%	1,386 39.0%	442,903 48.9%
Flat in a block of flats	10,177 2.4%	5,006 2.7%	49,986 22.5%	1,574 2.2%	0 0.0%	66,742 7.4%
Town/cluster/semi-detached house	48,580 11.5%	18,394 9.9%	35,383 15.9%	4,714 6.5%	0 0.0%	107,071 11.8%
Unit in a retirement village	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1,901 0.9%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	1,901 0.2%
House/flat/room in a backyard	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	7,553 3.4%	9,919 13.9%	0 0.0%	17,472 1.9%
Informal dwelling in a backyard	26,236 6.2%	0 0.0%	45,144 20.3%	13,690 19.0%	0 0.0%	85,071 9.4%
Informal dwelling NOT in a backyard	107,565 25.4%	0 0.0%	5,288 2.4%	3,262 4.5%	2,165 61.0%	118,280 13.1%
Room/flatlet	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	14,418 6.5%	23,059 32.0%	0 0.0%	37,477 4.1%
Caravan/tent	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3,695 1.7%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3,695 0.4%
Other	14,365 3.4%	0 0.0%	7,103 3.2%	3,523 4.9%	0 0.0%	24,991 2.8%
Total	425,868 100.0%	185,998 100.0%	221,876 100.0%	72,098 100.0%	3,551 100.0%	905,603 100.0%

Dwellings	1	2	3	4	5 to 6	7 to 10	Unknown
Number of rooms per dwelling, excluding bathrooms	173,477 19.2%	93,885 10.4%	117,965 13.0%	198,509 21.9%	224,971 24.8%	71,710 7.9%	25,086 2.8%

A dwelling is considered to be overcrowded when there are more than two persons per room, excluding bathrooms, toilets and kitchens. A total of 18.0% of households live in overcrowded dwellings.

3.3 Access to Goods and Services

Goods and Services	% of households
Piped water in dwelling or on site	93.4%
Access to a flush toilet	95.1%
Connected to mains electricity	94.5%
Refuse removed by local authority weekly	95.7%
Access to telephone in dwelling	83.3%
Have a motor car	43.2%
Own a television	87.4%
Own a radio	86.1%

3.4 Income and Expenditure

Income	Salary or wages	Remittances	Pensions and grants	Sale of farm products	Other income	No income
Main source of household income	74.0%	3.3%	13.6%	0.4%	6.8%	1.9%

Expenditure	Less than R1 200	R1 200 to R2 499	R2 500 to R4 999	R5 000 to R9 999	R10 000 and more	Unknown
Total monthly household expenditure	36.0%	19.1%	18.5%	16.7%	7.5%	2.2%

3.5 Hunger

Hunger	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Always
Households where adults (18 years and over) have gone hungry in the past 12 months	85.7%	3.4%	8.0%	2.1%	0.8%
Households where children (under 18 years) have gone hungry in the past 12 months (43.3% of households have no children)	47.3%	1.7%	5.8%	1.4%	0.5%

3.6 Crime

Crime	Things stolen	Harassed or threatened	Sexually molested	Beaten up or hurt	Murder
Households who experienced crime in the past 12 months	19.4%	5.8%	0.4%	2.6%	0.5%

4 Further Information

For a more detailed analysis see the full report "2006 General Household Survey Analysis for Cape Town".