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# **North Ayrshire Household Projections (2008-Based)**

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The 2008-based sub-national household projections have been prepared up to 2033 (25 years ahead).

The official household forecasts predict an increase in North Ayrshire's total household population from 61,500 in 2008 to 66,810 by 2033 (+9%). This equates to an average of 212 additional households per year.

A large increase is projected in the number of households of just one adult, from 21,530 (35% of all households) in 2008 to 29,620 (44% of all households) in 2033.

There are also projected increases in other small households. Households of one adult with children are projected to rise from 5,240 (8% of all households) in 2008 to 7,010 (11% of all households) in 2033.

Households of two adults without children are projected to rise only slightly from 23,840 (39% of all households) in 2008 to 24,290 (36% of all households) in 2033.

In contrast, the number of larger households is projected to fall, with households of two or more adults with children decreasing from 10,890 (18% of all households) in 2008 to 5,890 (9% of all households) by 2033.

Tables 1 and 2 below summarise the projected changes.

Table 1: Household Projections by Household Type

Household Type	2008	2013	2018	2023	2028	2033	Change 2008-2033 (Number)	Change 2008-2033 (%)
All Households	61,500	63,360	64,910	66,000	66,610	66,810	+5,310	+9%
One Adult, No Children	21,530	23,640	25,640	27,280	28,510	29,620	+8,090	+38%
One Adult & Children	5,240	5,670	6,060	6,440	6,770	7,010	+1,770	+34%
2+ Adults, No Children	23,840	24,550	25,030	25,130	24,870	24,290	+450	+2%
2+ Adults & Children	10,890	9,510	8,190	7,150	6,460	5,890	-5,000	-46%

Source: General Register Office for Scotland, Household Projections (2008-Based)

Table 2: Household Projections – Percentage of Households by Household Type

Household Type	North Ayrshire 2008	Scotland 2008	North Ayrshire 2033	Scotland 2033
One Adult, No Children	35%	36%	44%	45%
One Adult & Children	8%	7%	11%	8%
2+ Adults, No Children	39%	38%	36%	36%
2+ Adults & Children	18%	19%	9%	11%

Source: General Register Office for Scotland, Household Projections (2008-Based)

The average household size in North Ayrshire is projected to drop from 2.19 in 2008 to 1.91 by 2033 (see Table 3).

Table 3: Projected Average Household Size

Area	2008	2013	2018	2023	2028	2033
North Ayrshire	2.19	2.13	2.07	2.01	1.96	1.91
Scotland	2.18	2.12	2.06	2.02	1.97	1.93

Source: General Register Office for Scotland, Household Projections (2008-Based)

Households headed by people aged 60 or over are projected to increase by 41% from 22,790 to 32,210 between 2008 and 2033. In contrast, households headed by someone aged under 60 are projected to decrease by 11% from 38,710 in 2008 to 34,600 by 2033. The number of households headed by someone aged 75 or over is projected to almost double from 7,830 to 14,980 (see Table 4).

Table 4: Household Projections – Number of Households by Age of Head of Household

Age of Head of Household	2008	2033	Change 2008-2033 (Number)	Change 2008-2033 (%)
16-29	6,100	6,380	+280	+5%
30-44	15,600	14,740	-860	-6%
45-59	17,010	13,480	-3,530	-21%
60-74	14,960	17,230	+2,270	+15%
75+	7,830	14,980	+7,150	+91%
Under 60	38,710	34,600	-4,110	-11%
Over 60	22,790	32,210	+9,420	+41%
Total	61,500	66,810	+5,310	+9%

Source: General Register Office for Scotland, Household Projections (2008-Based)

This report does not provide a full analysis of the official projections. Accordingly, if any further analysis or information is required, please do not hesitate to contact Allison Craig, Research Analyst, Economic Development Service, Perceton House, Irvine, KA11 2DE (Tel: 01294 225158).