

Stoke Demographics

The following data is for the seven area units that cover the Stoke area: Ngawhatu, Saxton, Nayland, Enner Glynn, Maitland, Isel Park and Langbein.

Census Data

Stoke	Census 2006	Census 2013
Usually resident population	15198	17163
As a % of Nelson	35%	37%
Households in private dwellings	5850	6726
As a % of Nelson	35%	36%

Over half of Stoke's population growth between 2006 and 2013 was in the Ngawhatu area unit, which is the area north of Champion Road, including Covent Drive.

Twenty percent of the growth was in the Isel Park area unit which includes the Montebello subdivision in Ngawhatu Valley, Somerset Terrace and the Marsden Valley development.

The population in the Saxton area increased thirteen percent. This area includes Summerset Village and Aldinga Ave. The Nayland area unit's population also increased by thirteen percent while Enner Glynn, Maitlands, and Langbein area units experienced slower growth, ranging between one and three percent.

Projections

	2015	2025	2045
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Population	17,440	18,690	20,510
Population change		+1,250	+1,820
Residents aged 14 and under	3,106 (18%)	3,163 (17%)	3,339 (16%)
Residents aged 65 and over	3,750 (22%)	4,710 (25%)	5,970 (29%)
Number of households	7,210	7,990	9,150
Housing change		+780	+1,160

About half of the increase in Nelson's population and housing between 2015 and 2025 will be in Stoke, based on current information about available residential land. Three-quarters of Nelson's population growth and over half of the housing growth between 2015 and 2045 are projected to be in Stoke.

The area units with the biggest projected increases between 2015 and 2045 are:

- Enner Glynn, which includes the Marsden Valley development– an extra 1,050 people and 560 households
- Isel Park, which includes the Solitaire and Stoke Valley developments – an extra 860 people and 520 households

- Ngawhatu, which includes Nelson South (Plan Change 18) – an extra 770 people and 400 households

Age structure

Nelson’s population is projected to age, with the median age increasing from 42 years in 2015 to 44 years in 2025 and 47 years in 2045. The proportion of the population aged 65 and over will increase from 18 percent in 2015 to 23 percent in 2025 and 30 percent in 2045. With increasing life expectancy, the proportion aged 75 and over will experience the greatest growth, from 8 percent in 2015 to 18 percent in 2045.

Older residents (65 years and over) are projected to outnumber children in Nelson from 2016 although this is already the case in Stoke and Nelson North.

The older residents’ proportion of Stoke’s population increases from 22 percent to 29 percent between 2015 and 2045.

While there will continue to be more older people living in Stoke than in Nelson Central, Stoke’s share of older Nelson residents will decrease from 44 percent in 2015 to 39 percent in 2045. The proportion in the other three areas will increase.

There will be more children living in Stoke than in Nelson Central from about 2033.

Fig 1: Population projections by age group by area



