

Using minority ethnic categories in the CES Census

The CES Census includes questions on ethnicity. The categories take account of advice on the Equality and Human Rights Commission website and are based on those used in the National Census by the Office for National Statistics, as well as by DfE and the Welsh Assembly.

Local authorities select from national lists of ethnic categories to derive a listing which reflects their area. In some instances, they may use the main category (column C, e.g. White), in others, they may have used a sub-category (column D, e.g. White British), or they may have decided a further level of detail is required (column F, e.g. White Welsh). Consequently, schools in different local authorities (even where they are within the same diocese) may have collected this data in different formats.

Feedback from earlier CES Censuses indicated that some schools had difficulties translating their data into the CES categories because of the diverse range of categories available.

The table on the following pages illustrates how the CES categories (in the first two columns on the left) relate to those used by local authorities and for the collection of national school census data. By identifying the categories used by the local authority and school in the columns to the right (which are in a paler shade) and then referring to the equivalent CES columns (which are in a darker shade), the equivalent CES category will be found.

E.g.: Albanian (WALB), Bosnian-Herzegovinian (WBOS) would fall into the CES Category *White Other*. (All shown as shades of yellow.)

E.g.: Black – Somali (BSOM) or Black – African (BAFR), would fall into the CES category *Black/Black British*. (All shown as shades of green.)

The categories are shown in the tables below:

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CES Main Category	CES Sub-Category	DCFS Main Category	DCSF Sub- Category / WA Main Category	DCSF Main Code	DCSF Approved Extended Categories/WA Sub-Category	DCSF/WA Extended Codes
White	White British	White	White - British	WBRI	White – British*	WBRI
				WBRI	White – Cornish*	WCOR
				WBRI	White - English *	WENG
				WBRI	White – Scottish*	WSCO
				WBRI	White – Welsh*	WWEL
				WBRI	White – Northern Irish*	WNIR
				WBRI	Other White British*	WOWB
White	White Irish	White	White – Irish*	WIRI	White – Irish	WIRI
White	White Other	White	Any Other White Background	WOTH	Any Other White Background	WOTH
				WOTH	Albanian	WALB
				WOTH	Bosnian- Herzegovinian	WBOS
				WOTH	Croatian	WCRO
				WOTH	Greek/ Greek Cypriot	WGRE
				WOTH	Greek*	WGRK
				WOTH	Greek Cypriot*	WGRC
				WOTH	Italian*	WITA
				WOTH	Kosovan	WKOS
				WOTH	Portuguese*	WPOR
				WOTH	Serbian	WSER
				WOTH	Turkish/ Turkish Cypriot	WTUR
				WOTH	Turkish*	WTUK
				WOTH	Turkish Cypriot*	WTUC
				WOTH	White European	WEUR
WOTH	White Western European	WWEU				

				WOTH	White Other	WOTW
White Eastern European	White Other	White	Any Other White Background	WOTH	White Eastern European	WEEU
Traveller of Irish /Gypsy/Roma Heritage		White	Traveller of Irish Heritage	WIRT	Traveller of Irish Heritage	WIRT
			Gypsy / Roma	WROM	Gypsy / Roma	WROM

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Mixed / Dual Background	White and Black Caribbean	Mixed / Dual Background	White and Black Caribbean	MWBC	White and Black Caribbean	MWBC	
	White and Black African	Mixed / Dual Background	White and Black African	MWBA	White and Black African	MWBA	
	White and Asian	Mixed / Dual Background	White and Asian	White and Asian	MWAS	White and Asian*	MWAS
					MWAS	White and Pakistani*	MWAP
					MWAS	White and Indian*	MWAI
					MWAS	White and Any Other Asian Background*	MWAO
	Any Other Mixed Background	Mixed / Dual Background	Any Other Mixed Background	Any Other Mixed Background	MOTH	Any Other Mixed Background	MOTH
					MOTH	Asian and Any Other Ethnic Group*	MAOE

				MOTH	Asian and Black	MABL
				MOTH	Asian and Chinese	MACH
				MOTH	Black and Any Other Ethnic Group	MBOE
				MOTH	Black and Chinese	MBCH
				MOTH	Chinese and Any Other Ethnic Group	MCOE
				MOTH	White and Any Other Ethnic Group	MWOE
				MOTH	White and Chinese	MWCH
				MOTH	Other Mixed Background	MOTM

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Asian / Asian British		Asian or Asian British	Indian	AIND	Indian	AIND
		Asian or Asian British	Pakistani	APKN	Pakistani	APKN
				APKN	Mirpuri Pakistani	AMPK
				APKN	Kashmiri Pakistani*	AKPA
				APKN	Other Pakistani	AOPK
		Asian or Asian British	Bangladeshi	ABAN	Bangladeshi	ABAN
Asian or Asian British	Any Other Asian Background	AOTH	Any Other Asian Background	AOTH		

				AOTH	African Asian	AAFR
				AOTH	Kashmiri Other	AKAO
				AOTH	Kashmiri (WA only)	AKAS
				AOTH	Nepali	ANEP
				AOTH	Sri Lankan Sinhalese*	ASNL
				AOTH	Sinhalese (WA only)	ASNL
				AOTH	Sri Lankan Tamil	ASLT
				AOTH	Sri Lankan Other*	ASRO
				AOTH	Other Asian	AOTA

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Black / Black British		Black or Black British	Black Caribbean or Caribbean	BCRB	Black Caribbean or Caribbean	BCRB
		Black or Black British	Black – African or African	BAFR	Black – African or African	BAFR
				BAFR	Black – Angolan*	BANN
				BAFR	Black – Congolese*	BCON
				BAFR	Black - Ghanaian	BGHA
				BAFR	Black - Nigerian	BNGN
				BAFR	Black - Sierra Leonean	BSLN
				BAFR	Black – Somali	BSOM

				BAFR	Black - Sudanese	BSUD
				BAFR	Other Black African	BAOF
		Black or Black British	Any Other Black Background	BOTH	Any Other Black Background	BOTH
				BOTH	Black European	BEUR
				BOTH	Black North American	BNAM
				BOTH	Other Black	BOTB

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Chinese		Chinese	Chinese or Chinese British	CHNE	Chinese or Chinese British	CHNE
				CHNE	Hong Kong Chinese	CHKC
				CHNE	Malaysian Chinese	CMAL
				CHNE	Singaporean Chinese	CSNG
				CHNE	Taiwanese	CTWN
				CHNE	Other Chinese	COCH
Other Ethnic Group		Any Other Ethnic Group	Any Other Ethnic Group	OOTH	Any Other Ethnic Group	OOTH
				OOTH	Afghan	OAFG

				OOH	Arab Other	OARA
				OOH	Egyptian	OEGY
				OOH	Filipino	OFIL
				OOH	Iranian	OIRN
				OOH	Iraqi	OIRQ
				OOH	Japanese	OJPN
				OOH	Korean	OKOR
				OOH	Kurdish	OKRD
				OOH	Latin/ South/ Central American	OLAM
		Any Other Ethnic Group	Any Other Ethnic Group	OOH	Lebanese	OLEB
		Any Other Ethnic Group	Any Other Ethnic Group	OOH	Libyan*	OLIB
		Any Other Ethnic Group	Any Other Ethnic Group	OOH	Malay	OMAL
		Any Other Ethnic Group	Any Other Ethnic Group	OOH	Moroccan	OMRC
				OOH	Polynesian	OPOL
				OOH	Thai	OTHA
				OOH	Vietnamese	OVIE
		OOH	Yemeni	OYEM		

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Other Ethnic Group		Any Other Ethnic Group	Any Other Ethnic Group	OOH	Other Ethnic Group	OOEG
Not Known		Refused	Refused	REFU	Refused	REFU

		Information Not Yet Obtained	Information Not Yet Obtained	NOBT	Information Not Yet Obtained	NOBT
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*Category not applicable to Welsh Assembly