- The compulsory registration of births began on July 1st, 1837. However, according to the Office for National Statistics (UK), registration of births was incomplete until 1874.
- 2 Civilian deaths only. War-related deaths are excluded from the statistics for the periods 1914-1920 and 1939-1950.
- 3 Civilian population only. The military population (regular army and conscripts) has been excluded from the population statistics for the periods 1912-1920 and 1939-1950.
- 4 Revised post-censal mid-year population estimates based on the 2001 census and adjusted by the GRO Scotland to take into account improved estimates of international migration.
- In 1968, substantial jumps are found in the population counts at age 34 among males and at age 49 among females for which we have no explanation; they may indicate potential errors in the official data.