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**HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE**

**Unit 15: Social Trends**

**CASE STUDY**

**THURSDAY 28 JANUARY 2010: Afternoon**

**DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes**

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## TEXT 1

### CHILDREN BORN TODAY WILL LIVE TO BE 81

**Life expectancy in the UK has reached its highest level for men and women. Boys and girls could expect on average to live to 76.9 years and 81.3 years of age respectively. Men reaching 65 today can expect to live for another 16.9 years and women a further 19.7 years.**

**Adapted from The Daily Telegraph 29.11.07**

## TEXT 2

### NEW HOMES MUST 'CATER FOR AGEING'

**Every new home built in England will have to be designed to suit an ageing population, under plans being unveiled by the government. It wants to expand the support given to older people "to help them live safely and, where they choose, independently in their own homes", says Housing Minister Caroline Flint.**

**Adapted from BBC News website 25.02.08**

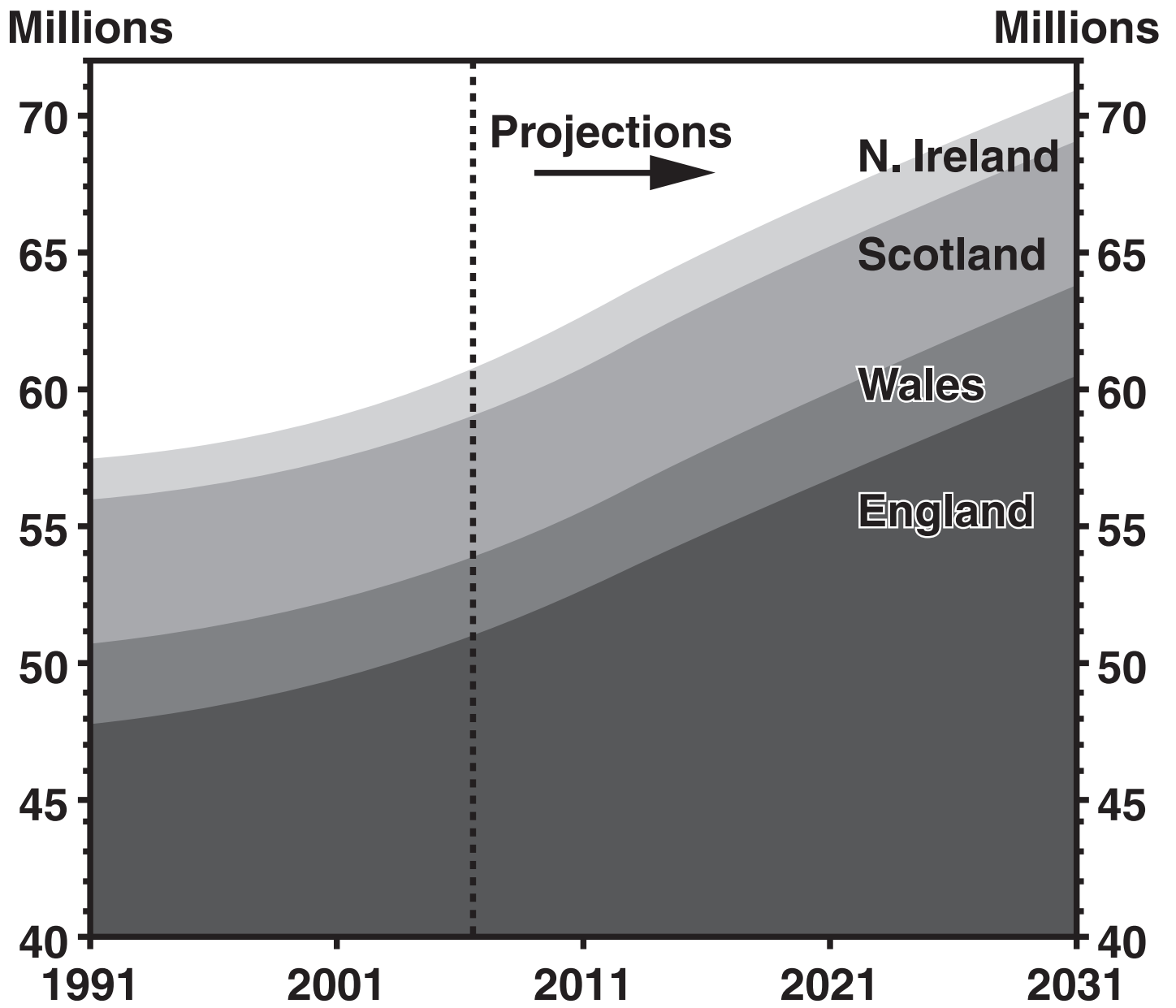
### TEXT 3

**CONJUGAL ROLES:** the roles played by a husband and wife or partners within a marriage or relationship.

**DUAL WORKER FAMILY:** both partners work and contribute to the family income.

**FIG. 2**

**ACTUAL AND PROJECTED UK POPULATION**



**PROJECTED POPULATIONS OF THE CONSTITUENT COUNTRIES OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

	thousands					
	2006	2011	2016	2021	2026	2031
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>60 587</b>	<b>62 761</b>	<b>64 975</b>	<b>67 191</b>	<b>69 260</b>	<b>71 100</b>
<b>England</b>	<b>50 763</b>	<b>52 706</b>	<b>54 724</b>	<b>56 757</b>	<b>58 682</b>	<b>60 432</b>
<b>Wales</b>	<b>2 966</b>	<b>3 038</b>	<b>3 113</b>	<b>3 186</b>	<b>3 248</b>	<b>3 296</b>
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>5 117</b>	<b>5 206</b>	<b>5 270</b>	<b>5 326</b>	<b>5 363</b>	<b>5 374</b>
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	<b>1 742</b>	<b>1 812</b>	<b>1 868</b>	<b>1 922</b>	<b>1 966</b>	<b>1 999</b>

Source: 2006 based national population projections, Office for National Statistics

## TEXT 4

### WEDDINGS ARE OFF: MARRIAGE RATE FALLS TO LOWEST LEVEL FOR 144 YEARS

Headline from The Times Newspaper 27.03.08

## TEXT 5

**1990: 47% of marriages were civil ceremonies.**

**2006: 66% of marriages were civil ceremonies.**

**Average age for first marriage: 31.8 for men and 29.7 for women.**

**Two thirds of the population now feel that there is little difference socially between living together and being married.**

Adapted from The Times Newspaper, Helen Nugent 27.03.08

## **TEXT 6**

### **ONE CHILD IN FOUR HAS A LONE PARENT**

**An independent report by the Office for National Statistics states that the number of children in single parent households has almost doubled in 20 years. Previous research has suggested that the offspring of married couples tend to be healthier than those of single mothers and do better at school than children whose parents have separated or are cohabiting.**

**Adapted from The Daily Telegraph 03.04.08**

## **TEXT 7**

**In 2006 125,000 children aged under 16 experienced their parents divorcing. A similar number of children experienced their cohabiting parents going their separate ways.**

**Adapted from The Times Newspaper 31.08.07**



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