

# Ten thousand same sex weddings celebrated in the last decade

**Since The Scottish Government changed the law in 2014, there have been more than 10,000 weddings in first decade of same sex marriage.**

Scotland's Registrar General today congratulated the same-sex couples who will be celebrating their tenth anniversary later this month.

After the legislation was introduced the first ceremonies took place at the end of December that year. We interviewed some couples down in Leith just ahead of the legislative change.

Between then and the end of September this year 10,138 couples have gone on to marry.

Registrar General Alison Byrne is Chief Executive of National Records of Scotland. She said: "I'm delighted to send congratulations to the couples who are shortly to celebrate their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversaries having been among the first to marry under the new law.

"These figures show how the collection and analysis of routine statistics allows us to tell the ever-changing story of Scotland's people."

Analysis of the figures up to the end of September this year shows that same-sex marriages have taken place in all 32 of Scotland's local authorities.

The council area with the highest number was Edinburgh with 1,853. Glasgow came second with 1,402, while Dumfries and Galloway came third with 1,379 thanks to the attraction of Gretna Green. July, August and September topped the tables as the most popular months for a wedding.



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