GEOLYTIX

RETAIL POINTS (BANKS)

Bank branches across the UK provide vital services and are often thought of as key 'anchor' services for the area they serve. Current branch information is available and online for everyone to access, and closures have been a matter of public record due to the need to publicly consult on any closure, but these data are not collated into a single open database.

Geolytix works on many projects that start with the foundations being bank branch locations, anyone working with data of any kind knows that the results of any processes can only be as good as the quality of data going in in the first instance.

Retail Points (Banks) is a database of bank and building society branches which have been attributed with store name, address including postcode, latitude and longitude, the Geolytix seamless towns and localities, a close date where the branch is now permanently shut, and a distance to the nearest currently trading Post Office. There is no commercial sensitive data included and the data is fully open therefore you can use it in any way you like.

The list of branches featured in this data is ever changing and below the below tables lists the current banks with the number of branches (current and closed). The closures have been tracked since 2015.

Brand Full	Brand Short	Open	Closed
Allied Irish Bank	AIB	22	23
Bank of Ireland	BOI	13	21
Bank of Scotland	BOS	125	147
Barclays	BB	739	1145
The Cambridge Building Society	TCBS	13	0
Clydesdale Bank	CB	0	128
The Co-operative Bank	CO	50	158
Coutts	CT	19	15
Coventry Building Society	CV	65	14
Cumberland Building Society	CBS	32	0
Danske	DA	28	13
HSBC	HS	417	699
Halifax	HX	438	225
Handelsbanken	HB	149	78
Leeds Building Society	LBS	50	16
Leek Building Society	LUBS	12	0
Lloyds	LL	681	669
M&S Bank	MS	0	29
Metro Bank	MT	76	3
Monmouthshire Building Society	MBS	10	0
Natwest	NWB	664	852
Nationwide	NAI	605	51
Newbury Building Society	NYBS	10	0
Newcastle Building Society	NBS	32	0
The Nottingham	TN	31	0
Principality Building Society	PBS	53	0
Progressive Building Society	PEBS	11	0
Royal Bank of Scotland	RBS	462	524
Santander	ST	444	355
Skipton Building Society	SK	82	18
TSB	TSB	186	435
Ulster Bank	UB	26	40
Virgin Money	VM	91	83
West Bromwich Building Society	WB	35	3
Yorkshire Bank	YB	0	165
Yorkshire Building Society	YBS	227	7

Additional Building Societies were added into Version 5 (September 2024):
Cumberland Building Society, Leek Building Society, Monmouthshire Building Society, Newbury Building Society, Newcastle Building Society, Principality Building Society, Progressive Building Society, The Cambridge Building Society, The Nottingham

Variable	Type	Description
id	int	Internal ID assigned by Geolytix
brand_full	char	The name above the door/brand as of March 2024
brand_short	char(3)	Three letter abbreviation of the full brand name used by Geolytix for labelling
branch_name	char	The branch name as used by the banks themselves. However where no internal name is used Geolytix have derived a name.
branch_type	char	The branch type - standard branch, mobile branch (NatWest, RBS and Barclays only), Banking Hub (Barclays, NatWest, RBS and HSBC), Digital Services Branch (HSBC only), Agency (YBS), Community Branch or Local Pod
add_one	char	Address line 1 as used by the bank branch locator
add_two	char	Address line 2 as used by the bank branch locator
suburb	char	Geolytix suburb which the bank branch falls within
town	char	Geolytix town which the bank branch falls within
region	char	Region which the bank branch falls within
postcode	char	Postcode as reported by the banks. Not present for 198 branches mainly because they are either mobile branches or now shut with no reliable record of the postcode
long_wgs84	float	Longitude from the branch locator in WGS84
lat_wgs84	float	Latitude from the branch locator in WGS84
hours_monday	char(11)	Hours of trading for Monday in fixed length format of HH:MM-HH:MM
hours_tuesday	char(11)	Hours of trading for Tuesday in fixed length format of HH:MM-HH:MM
hours_wednesday	char(11)	Hours of trading for Wednesday in fixed length format of HH:MM-HH:MM
hours_thursday	char(11)	Hours of trading for Thursday in fixed length format of HH:MM-HH:MM
hours_friday	char(11)	Hours of trading for Friday in fixed length format of HH:MM-HH:MM
hours_saturday	char(11)	Hours of trading for Saturday in fixed length format of HH:MM-HH:MM
trading_hours	float	Total trading hours (assuming no breaks in trading) over Monday to Saturday
status	char	Open, Temp Closed or Permanently closed as of September 2024
close_month	int	The month of closure where permanently closed
close_year	int	The year of closure where permanently closed
open_year	int	The open year of branches that opened after September 2021
po_dist	int	Distance in meters to the nearest trading Post Office as of June 2024 (closed branches use the currently trading post office locations). Rounded to 10m