

Constituency Explorer Area Profile

Rochester and Strood

2011 Census of Population (Office for National Statistics, General Register Office for Scotland, NI Statistics and Research Agency)

Table numbers refer to published Census output tables; Ranks are highest=1 to lowest=650 (for UK)

Table KS101: Usual resident population

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	105,271	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Males	52,532	49.9%	49.1%	49.1%	72
Females	52,739	50.1%	50.9%	50.9%	579
People living in households	102,652	97.5%	97.8%	98.2%	469
People living in communal establishments	2,619	2.5%	2.2%	1.8%	118
Students living away from home ¹	1,038	-	-	-	-
Population density (people per hectare)	7.1	-	-	-	354

1. Schoolchild or full-time student aged 4 and over at their non term-time address.

Table KS102: Age structure

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	105,271	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
0 to 15	20,500	19.5%	19.0%	18.8%	208
16 to 24	13,671	13.0%	11.2%	11.9%	111
25 to 44	28,755	27.3%	26.5%	27.3%	242
45 to 64	26,975	25.6%	26.1%	25.6%	405
65 and older	15,370	14.6%	17.1%	16.4%	485

Table KS105: Household composition

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All households	42,574	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
One person	11,990	28.2%	28.8%	30.6%	446
Aged 65 and older	4,893	11.5%	12.7%	12.5%	463
Aged under 65	7,097	16.7%	16.1%	18.1%	337
One family	27,792	65.3%	63.9%	61.7%	244
Lone parent with dependent children	3,037	7.1%	6.1%	7.2%	298
Other	2,792	6.6%	7.4%	7.7%	256

Table KS106: Households where adults are not in employment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All households	42,574	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No adults in employment in household	13,143	30.9%	30.9%	33.9%	483
With dependent children	1,748	4.1%	3.1%	4.2%	297
Without dependent children	11,395	26.8%	27.8%	29.7%	495

Table KS201: Ethnic group

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	105,271	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
White	95,119	90.4%	90.7%	87.2%	427
English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	91,174	86.6%	85.2%	80.5% ¹	
Irish	811	0.8%	0.9%	0.9% ¹	
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	172	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	
Other White	2,962	2.8%	4.4%	4.4% ¹	
Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	1,990	1.9%	1.9%	2.0%	220
White and Black Caribbean	644	0.6%	0.5%	0.8% ¹	
White and Black African	259	0.2%	0.3%	0.3% ¹	
White and Asian	626	0.6%	0.7%	0.6% ¹	
Other Mixed	461	0.4%	0.5%	0.5% ¹	
Asian/Asian British	5,252	5.0%	5.2%	6.9%	231
Indian	2,929	2.8%	1.8%	2.3%	
Pakistani	321	0.3%	1.1%	1.9%	
Bangladeshi	472	0.4%	0.3%	0.7%	
Chinese	491	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	
Other Asian	1,039	1.0%	1.4%	1.4%	
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British²	2,253	2.1%	1.6%	3.0%	169
African	1,597	1.5%	1.0%	1.8% ¹	
Caribbean	463	0.4%	0.4%	1.1% ¹	
Other Black	193	0.2%	0.2%	0.5% ¹	
Other ethnic group	657	0.6%	0.6%	0.9%	218
Arab	207	0.2%	0.2%	0.4% ¹	
Any other ethnic group	450	0.4%	0.4%	0.6% ¹	

... Data not available

1. UK rate not available, rate for England and Wales is shown for illustrative purposes.

Differences in the terminology and data collection of the country specific Scotland question make these categories difficult to compare.

2. The 'African' category in the Scottish question is presented in a separate section to the 'Caribbean' or 'Black' category, however, under the harmonised output these two categories are output as part of Black/African/Caribbean/Black British².

Table KS204: Country of birth

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	105,271	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
United Kingdom	95,497	90.7%	87.9%	87.3%	390
England	93,088	88.4%	84.8%	71.9%	269
Scotland	1,279	1.2%	1.6%	8.2%	377
Wales	722	0.7%	1.1%	4.4%	352
Northern Ireland	402	0.4%	0.4%	2.9%	305
United Kingdom (not specified) ¹	6	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	388
Ireland	685	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	229
Other European Union	2,801	2.7%	3.7%	3.5%	292
Member states in March 2001	1,368	1.3%	1.9%	1.6%	248
Accession states: April 2001 to March 2011	1,433	1.4%	1.8%	1.9%	311
Other countries	6,288	6.0%	7.7%	8.4%	246

Table KS205: Passports held

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank ²
	Count	%	South East	England and Wales	
All usual residents	105,271	...	8,634,750
All passports ³	87,998
No passport	18,008	17.1%	14.1%	16.9%	312
United Kingdom	82,172	78.1%	79.0%	75.2%	212
Republic of Ireland	657	0.6%	0.7%	1.4%	215
Other Europe: EU countries	2,171	2.1%	3.3%	3.4%	288
Other Europe: Non EU countries	192	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	211
Africa	897	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	172
Middle East and Asia	1,314	1.2%	1.8%	2.0%	244
North America and the Caribbean	275	0.3%	0.6%	0.6%	349
Central America	8	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	282
South America	57	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	231
Antarctica and Oceania	253	0.2%	0.4%	0.4%	225

1. England, Wales and Northern Ireland only. Scottish census does not collect data on passports.

2. Of 591 constituencies in England, Wales & Northern Ireland

3. Total number of passports held by people living in the constituency. One person may hold more than one passport.

Table KS206: Household language¹

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank ²
	Count	%	South East	England and Wales	
All households	42,574	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
All people aged 16 and over in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	40,265	94.6%	93.2%	91.2%	337
At least one but not all people aged 16 and over in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	1,146	2.7%	3.2%	3.7%	227
No people aged 16 and over in household but at least one person aged 3 to 15 has English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	166	0.4%	0.5%	0.8%	265
No people in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	997	2.3%	3.1%	4.3%	264

... No data available

1. For England, Wales and Northern Ireland only. Scottish census does not provide comparative data.

2. Of 591 constituencies in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Table KS209: Religion

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank ¹
	Count	%	South East	England and Wales	
All usual residents	105,271	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Christian	61,636	58.5%	59.8%	59.3%	362
Buddhist	420	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	185
Hindu	1,018	1.0%	1.1%	1.5%	177
Jewish	101	0.1%	0.2%	0.5%	282
Muslim	1,656	1.6%	2.3%	4.8%	260
Sikh	1,827	1.7%	0.6%	0.8%	51
Other religion	703	0.7%	0.5%	0.4%	32
No religion	30,772	29.2%	27.7%	25.1%	125
Religion not stated	7,138	6.8%	7.4%	7.2%	357

1. Due to differences in the respective census questions, results for England and Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland are not directly comparable. Consequently, constituencies are ranked within their respective census areas.

Table KS301: Health

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	105,271	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Very good health	48,253	45.8%	49.0%	47.6%	413
Good health	38,241	36.3%	34.6%	33.6%	25
Fair health	13,607	12.9%	12.0%	13.2%	373
Bad health	4,034	3.8%	3.4%	4.3%	402
Very bad health	1,136	1.1%	1.0%	1.3%	430

Table KS402: Tenure

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All households	42,574	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Owned	28,994	68.1%	67.6%	63.5%	280
Owned outright	12,748	29.9%	32.5%	30.6%	386
Owned with a mortgage or loan	16,246	38.2%	35.1%	32.9%	115
Shared ownership (part owned & rented)	596	1.4%	1.1%	0.7%	42
Social rented¹	5,857	13.8%	13.7%	18.2%	410
Rented from council (Local Authority)	795	1.9%	5.8%		592
Other social rented	5,062	11.9%	7.9%	8.3%	110
Private rented	6,641	15.6%	16.3%	16.3%	249
Private landlord or letting agency	5,867	13.8%	14.7%	14.8%	259
Other private rented	774	1.8%	1.6%	1.4%	93
Living rent free	486	1.1%	1.3%	1.4%	419

1. Public social housing in Northern Ireland is owned and administered by the regional Northern Ireland Housing Executive, rather than local authorities.

Table KS404: Cars or vans

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All households	42,574	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No cars or vans in household	8,376	19.7%	18.6%	26.0%	408
1 car or van in household	18,070	42.4%	41.7%	42.2%	364
2 cars or vans in household	12,220	28.7%	29.8%	24.5%	224
3 cars or vans in household	2,799	6.6%	7.1%	5.4%	216
4 or more cars or vans in household	1,109	2.6%	2.8%	1.9%	181

Table KS501: Highest level of qualification

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 and older	84,771	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No qualifications	18,923	22.3%	19.1%	23.2%	356
Level 1 qualifications	14,032	16.6%	13.5%	14.1%	82
Level 2 qualifications	15,405	18.2%	15.9%	15.2%	12
Apprenticeship ¹	4,027	4.8%	3.6%	...	91
Level 3 qualifications	10,660	12.6%	12.8%	12.1%	154
Level 4 qualifications and above	17,398	20.5%	29.9%	27.0%	494
Other qualifications ¹	4,326	5.1%	5.2%

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1. Categories not used in the Scottish census.

Table KS601: Economic activity

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74	78,025	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Economically active	55,602	71.3%	72.1%	69.5%	223
Employee: Part-time	10,660	13.7%	13.8%	13.7%	415
Employee: Full-time	31,997	41.0%	40.4%	38.5%	172
Self-employed	7,029	9.0%	11.0%	9.5%	341
Unemployed	3,540	4.5%	3.4%	4.4%	269
Full-time student	2,376	3.0%	3.3%	3.5%	248
Economically inactive	22,423	28.7%	27.9%	30.5%	428
Retired	10,280	13.2%	13.7%	13.9%	424
Student (including full-time students)	3,737	4.8%	5.2%	5.8%	249
Looking after home or family	3,726	4.8%	4.4%	4.3%	144
Long-term sick or disabled	2,827	3.6%	2.9%	4.3%	397
Other	1,853	2.4%	1.8%	2.2%	179
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In employment	49,686	63.7%	65.3%	61.6%	260
Unemployed	3,540	4.5%	3.4%	4.4%	269
Unemployed: Age 16 to 24	1,128	1.4%	0.9%	1.2%	202
Unemployed: Age 50 to 74	683	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%	194
Unemployed: Never worked	506	0.6%	0.4%	0.7%	283
Unemployed: Long-term unemployed	1,406	1.8%	1.3%	1.7%	256

Table KS605: Industry

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment in the week before the Census	51,399	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	205	0.4%	0.7%	1.0%	300
Mining and quarrying	46	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	395
Manufacturing	3,743	7.3%	7.2%	8.9%	426
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	533	1.0%	0.6%	0.6%	75
Water supply ¹	672	1.3%	0.7%	0.7%	17
Construction	5,734	11.2%	8.0%	7.7%	16
Wholesale and retail trade ²	8,239	16.0%	15.6%	15.9%	325
Transport and storage	3,027	5.9%	5.2%	4.9%	145
Accommodation and food service activities	2,238	4.4%	5.0%	5.6%	523
Information and communication	1,479	2.9%	5.5%	3.8%	335
Financial and insurance activities	2,372	4.6%	4.5%	4.3%	209
Real estate activities	686	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	336
Professional, scientific and technical activities	2,555	5.0%	7.5%	6.4%	375
Administrative and support service activities	2,487	4.8%	5.2%	4.8%	255
Public administration and defence ³	4,700	9.1%	6.0%	6.1%	56
Education	4,930	9.6%	10.1%	9.8%	309
Human health and social work activities	5,549	10.8%	11.6%	12.8%	528
Other	2,204	4.3%	5.1%	5.0%	487

1. The full name for this category in the Standard Industrial Classification is "Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities".

2. The full name for this category in the Standard Industrial Classification is "Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motor cycles".

3. The full name for this category in the Standard Industrial Classification is "Public administration and defence; compulsory social security"

Table KS608: Occupation

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment in the week before the Census	51,399	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Managers, directors and senior officials	5,235	10.2%	12.3%	10.5%	314
Professional occupations	7,068	13.8%	18.7%	17.3%	471
Associate professional and technical occupations	6,838	13.3%	13.8%	12.6%	183
Administrative and secretarial occupations	6,425	12.5%	11.5%	11.5%	159
Skilled trades occupations	6,694	13.0%	11.1%	11.6%	200
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	4,759	9.3%	9.3%	9.4%	377
Sales and customer service occupations	4,296	8.4%	7.9%	8.6%	370
Process, plant and machine operatives	4,351	8.5%	5.7%	7.3%	218
Elementary occupations	5,733	11.2%	9.7%	11.2%	339

Table KS611: Socio-economic classification (NS-SeC)

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74	78,025	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Higher managerial, administrative and professional	6,277	8.0%	12.6%	10.0%	396
Higher managerial and administrative ¹	1,685	2.2%	2.9%	2.3%	307
Higher professional occupations	4,592	5.9%	9.7%	7.8%	421
Lower managerial, administrative and professional	15,837	20.3%	23.4%	20.7%	343
Intermediate	11,801	15.1%	13.6%	12.8%	78
Small employers and own account workers	7,313	9.4%	10.2%	9.2%	289
Lower supervisory and technical	6,187	7.9%	6.5%	7.1%	203
Semi-routine occupations	11,420	14.6%	12.7%	14.2%	325
Routine	9,197	11.8%	8.9%	11.3%	288
Never worked and long-term unemployed	3,994	5.1%	3.7%	5.6%	279
Never worked	2,588	3.3%	2.4%	3.8%	279
Long-term unemployed	1,406	1.8%	1.3%	1.7%	256
Not classified	5,999	7.7%	8.3%	9.0%	244
Full-time students	5,999	7.7%	8.3%	9.0%	244

1. The full name for this category in NS-SeC is " Large employers and higher managerial and administrative occupations".

Table QS701: Means of travel to work

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment	51,399	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Work mainly at or from home	2,012	3.9%	6.6%	5.9%	447
Train (Inc. Underground, metro, lightrail, tram)	4,479	8.7%	7.7%	8.5%	132
Bus or coach	2,168	4.2%	4.5%	7.5%	415
Car (inc. Taxi) or motorcycle	36,877	71.7%	66.8%	64.0%	256
Bicycle	589	1.1%	3.0%	2.7%	502
On Foot	4,972	9.7%	10.9%	10.6%	319
Other	302	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	354

Table: Earnings and unemployment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	£pw		South East	United Kingdom	
Average earnings of full-time employees	580 ¹		102%	112%	112
	Number	% ²			
Unemployed (out of work benefits)					
Benefit claimants (Dec 2014)	1,307	2.4%	1.5%	2.7%	327
Change over 1 year		-26.0%	-33.9%	-30.0%	142
Change over 4 years		-40.0%	-49.1%	-41.0%	228

1. Earnings data are estimated from a survey with a "confidence" range and rounded to the nearest £10; % are calculated from rounded figures.

2. Unemployment rates are calculated as claimants as a percentage of the estimated economically active population aged 16-64.

Source: ONS *Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings*; NI *Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings and Hours*. Residence-based data

Further background and data for parliamentary constituencies, see House of Commons Library Research Papers:

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Unemployment by Constituency (monthly)

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