

Constituency Explorer Area Profile

Reading West

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	101,477	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Males	50,009	49.3%	49.1%	49.1%	229
Females	51,468	50.7%	50.9%	50.9%	422
People living in households	100,556	99.1%	97.8%	98.2%	176
People living in communal establishments	921	0.9%	2.2%	1.8%	457
Students living away from home ¹	1,336	-	-	-	-
Population density (people per hectare)	20.0	-	-	-	225

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	101,477	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
0 to 15	21,054	20.7%	19.0%	18.8%	92
16 to 24	10,619	10.5%	11.2%	11.9%	388
25 to 44	31,666	31.2%	26.5%	27.3%	88
45 to 64	24,378	24.0%	26.1%	25.6%	484
65 and older	13,760	13.6%	17.1%	16.4%	523

Table KS105: Household composition

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All households	41,409	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
One person	11,636	28.1%	28.8%	30.6%	451
Aged 65 and older	4,318	10.4%	12.7%	12.5%	554
Aged under 65	7,318	17.7%	16.1%	18.1%	268
One family	26,252	63.4%	63.9%	61.7%	351
Lone parent with dependent children	3,451	8.3%	6.1%	7.2%	162
Other	3,521	8.5%	7.4%	7.7%	160

Table KS106: Households where adults are not in employment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All households	41,409	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No adults in employment in household	11,528	27.8%	30.9%	33.9%	571
With dependent children	1,918	4.6%	3.1%	4.2%	223
Without dependent children	9,610	23.2%	27.8%	29.7%	584

Table KS201: Ethnic group

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	101,477	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
White	82,081	80.9%	90.7%	87.2%	523
English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	74,618	73.5%	85.2%	80.5% ¹	
Irish	1,323	1.3%	0.9%	0.9% ¹	
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	70	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	
Other White	6,070	6.0%	4.4%	4.4% ¹	
Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	3,851	3.8%	1.9%	2.0%	88
White and Black Caribbean	1,891	1.9%	0.5%	0.8% ¹	
White and Black African	492	0.5%	0.3%	0.3% ¹	
White and Asian	786	0.8%	0.7%	0.6% ¹	
Other Mixed	682	0.7%	0.5%	0.5% ¹	
Asian/Asian British	8,662	8.5%	5.2%	6.9%	141
Indian	2,605	2.6%	1.8%	2.3%	
Pakistani	3,085	3.0%	1.1%	1.9%	
Bangladeshi	414	0.4%	0.3%	0.7%	
Chinese	522	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	
Other Asian	2,036	2.0%	1.4%	1.4%	
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British²	6,386	6.3%	1.6%	3.0%	81
African	3,381	3.3%	1.0%	1.8% ¹	
Caribbean	2,278	2.2%	0.4%	1.1% ¹	
Other Black	727	0.7%	0.2%	0.5% ¹	
Other ethnic group	497	0.5%	0.6%	0.9%	246
Arab	141	0.1%	0.2%	0.4% ¹	
Any other ethnic group	356	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 British'.

Table KS204: Country of birth

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	101,477	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
United Kingdom	83,355	82.1%	87.9%	87.3%	535
England	80,299	79.1%	84.8%	71.9%	422
Scotland	1,324	1.3%	1.6%	8.2%	317
Wales	1,256	1.2%	1.1%	4.4%	150
Northern Ireland	460	0.5%	0.4%	2.9%	208
United Kingdom (not specified) ¹	16	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	137
Ireland	1,006	1.0%	0.7%	0.7%	135
Other European Union	5,044	5.0%	3.7%	3.5%	111
Member states in March 2001	1,842	1.8%	1.9%	1.6%	144
Accession states: April 2001 to March 2011	3,202	3.2%	1.8%	1.9%	94
Other countries	12,072	11.9%	7.7%	8.4%	122

Table KS205: Passports held

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank ²
	Count	%	South East	England and Wales	
All usual residents	101,477	...	8,634,750
All passports ³	86,461
No passport	16,353	16.1%	14.1%	16.9%	356
United Kingdom	73,712	72.6%	79.0%	75.2%	437
Republic of Ireland	1,077	1.1%	0.7%	1.4%	127
Other Europe: EU countries	5,119	5.0%	3.3%	3.4%	97
Other Europe: Non EU countries	307	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	115
Africa	2,089	2.1%	0.9%	0.9%	60
Middle East and Asia	3,043	3.0%	1.8%	2.0%	106
North America and the Caribbean	603	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	138
Central America	11	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	209
South America	143	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	93
Antarctica and Oceania	355	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	136

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	41,409	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)	36,911	89.1%	93.2%	91.2%	466
At least one but not all people aged 16 and over in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	1,701	4.1%	3.2%	3.7%	146
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)	473	1.1%	0.5%	0.8%	108
No people in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	2,324	5.6%	3.1%	4.3%	118

... 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	101,477	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Christian	57,657	56.8%	59.8%	59.3%	396
Buddhist	701	0.7%	0.5%	0.4%	87
Hindu	2,014	2.0%	1.1%	1.5%	83
Jewish	179	0.2%	0.2%	0.5%	175
Muslim	5,023	4.9%	2.3%	4.8%	144
Sikh	401	0.4%	0.6%	0.8%	160
Other religion	416	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	230
No religion	27,919	27.5%	27.7%	25.1%	201
Religion not stated	7,167	7.1%	7.4%	7.2%	290

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	101,477	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Very good health	48,809	48.1%	49.0%	47.6%	256
Good health	36,675	36.1%	34.6%	33.6%	40
Fair health	11,862	11.7%	12.0%	13.2%	509
Bad health	3,208	3.2%	3.4%	4.3%	549
Very bad health	923	0.9%	1.0%	1.3%	535

Table KS402: Tenure

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All households	41,409	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Owned	26,420	63.8%	67.6%	63.5%	409
Owned outright	10,990	26.5%	32.5%	30.6%	476
Owned with a mortgage or loan	15,430	37.3%	35.1%	32.9%	156
Shared ownership (part owned & rented)	591	1.4%	1.1%	0.7%	41
Social rented¹	6,980	16.9%	13.7%	18.2%	293
Rented from council (Local Authority)	4,069	9.8%	5.8%		275
Other social rented	2,911	7.0%	7.9%	8.3%	330
Private rented	7,011	16.9%	16.3%	16.3%	199
Private landlord or letting agency	6,532	15.8%	14.7%	14.8%	187
Other private rented	479	1.2%	1.6%	1.4%	446
Living rent free	407	1.0%	1.3%	1.4%	533

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	41,409	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No cars or vans in household	9,399	22.7%	18.6%	26.0%	333
1 car or van in household	18,226	44.0%	41.7%	42.2%	164
2 cars or vans in household	10,567	25.5%	29.8%	24.5%	325
3 cars or vans in household	2,407	5.8%	7.1%	5.4%	293
4 or more cars or vans in household	810	2.0%	2.8%	1.9%	288

Table KS501: Highest level of qualification

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	South East	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 and older	80,423	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No qualifications	16,790	20.9%	19.1%	23.2%	419
Level 1 qualifications	12,546	15.6%	13.5%	14.1%	124
Level 2 qualifications	12,014	14.9%	15.9%	15.2%	439
Apprenticeship ¹	2,933	3.6%	3.6%	...	345
Level 3 qualifications	8,666	10.8%	12.8%	12.1%	504
Level 4 qualifications and above	22,269	27.7%	29.9%	27.0%	253
Other qualifications ¹	5,205	6.5%	5.2%

... Not available

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	73,951	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Economically active	56,007	75.7%	72.1%	69.5%	32
Employee: Part-time	10,416	14.1%	13.8%	13.7%	334
Employee: Full-time	33,496	45.3%	40.4%	38.5%	32
Self-employed	6,571	8.9%	11.0%	9.5%	355
Unemployed	3,339	4.5%	3.4%	4.4%	272
Full-time student	2,185	3.0%	3.3%	3.5%	279
Economically inactive	17,944	24.3%	27.9%	30.5%	619
Retired	8,170	11.0%	13.7%	13.9%	527
Student (including full-time students)	2,542	3.4%	5.2%	5.8%	519
Looking after home or family	3,462	4.7%	4.4%	4.3%	159
Long-term sick or disabled	2,284	3.1%	2.9%	4.3%	464
Other	1,486	2.0%	1.8%	2.2%	280
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In employment	50,483	68.3%	65.3%	61.6%	60
Unemployed	3,339	4.5%	3.4%	4.4%	272
Unemployed: Age 16 to 24	889	1.2%	0.9%	1.2%	321
Unemployed: Age 50 to 74	629	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%	232
Unemployed: Never worked	520	0.7%	0.4%	0.7%	252
Unemployed: Long-term unemployed	1,321	1.8%	1.3%	1.7%	267

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	52,186	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	88	0.2%	0.7%	1.0%	450
Mining and quarrying	96	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	233
Manufacturing	2,971	5.7%	7.2%	8.9%	514
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	314	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	236
Water supply ¹	632	1.2%	0.7%	0.7%	29
Construction	4,272	8.2%	8.0%	7.7%	279
Wholesale and retail trade ²	8,960	17.2%	15.6%	15.9%	184
Transport and storage	2,744	5.3%	5.2%	4.9%	216
Accommodation and food service activities	2,593	5.0%	5.0%	5.6%	360
Information and communication	4,452	8.5%	5.5%	3.8%	30
Financial and insurance activities	2,369	4.5%	4.5%	4.3%	213
Real estate activities	587	1.1%	1.4%	1.4%	498
Professional, scientific and technical activities	3,849	7.4%	7.5%	6.4%	146
Administrative and support service activities	3,009	5.8%	5.2%	4.8%	74
Public administration and defence ³	2,633	5.0%	6.0%	6.1%	454
Education	4,683	9.0%	10.1%	9.8%	411
Human health and social work activities	5,661	10.8%	11.6%	12.8%	527
Other	2,273	4.4%	5.1%	5.0%	462

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	52,186	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Managers, directors and senior officials	4,881	9.4%	12.3%	10.5%	403
Professional occupations	9,684	18.6%	18.7%	17.3%	202
Associate professional and technical occupations	6,638	12.7%	13.8%	12.6%	233
Administrative and secretarial occupations	6,266	12.0%	11.5%	11.5%	218
Skilled trades occupations	5,909	11.3%	11.1%	11.6%	394
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	5,037	9.7%	9.3%	9.4%	307
Sales and customer service occupations	4,860	9.3%	7.9%	8.6%	233
Process, plant and machine operatives	3,125	6.0%	5.7%	7.3%	453
Elementary occupations	5,786	11.1%	9.7%	11.2%	347

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	73,951	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Higher managerial, administrative and professional	8,962	12.1%	12.6%	10.0%	164
Higher managerial and administrative ¹	1,590	2.2%	2.9%	2.3%	313
Higher professional occupations	7,372	10.0%	9.7%	7.8%	136
Lower managerial, administrative and professional	15,967	21.6%	23.4%	20.7%	277
Intermediate	10,869	14.7%	13.6%	12.8%	118
Small employers and own account workers	6,258	8.5%	10.2%	9.2%	383
Lower supervisory and technical	5,093	6.9%	6.5%	7.1%	392
Semi-routine occupations	10,662	14.4%	12.7%	14.2%	350
Routine	7,782	10.5%	8.9%	11.3%	382
Never worked and long-term unemployed	3,762	5.1%	3.7%	5.6%	284
Never worked	2,441	3.3%	2.4%	3.8%	281
Long-term unemployed	1,321	1.8%	1.3%	1.7%	267
Not classified	4,596	6.2%	8.3%	9.0%	441
Full-time students	4,596	6.2%	8.3%	9.0%	441

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	52,186	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Work mainly at or from home	2,260	4.3%	6.6%	5.9%	407
Train (Inc. Underground, metro, lightrail, tram)	3,600	6.9%	7.7%	8.5%	171
Bus or coach	5,890	11.3%	4.5%	7.5%	137
Car (inc. Taxi) or motorcycle	33,132	63.5%	66.8%	64.0%	477
Bicycle	1,571	3.0%	3.0%	2.7%	171
On Foot	5,457	10.5%	10.9%	10.6%	266
Other	276	0.5%	0.7%	0.7%	464

Table: Earnings and unemployment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	£pw		South East	United Kingdom	
Average earnings of full-time employees	600 ¹		105%	115%	84
	Number	% ²			
Unemployed (out of work benefits)					
Benefit claimants (Dec 2014)	957	1.8%	1.5%	2.7%	422
Change over 1 year		-31.5%	-33.9%	-30.0%	325
Change over 4 years		-55.5%	-49.1%	-41.0%	550

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)

10/36 *General Election 2010*

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