

Constituency Explorer Area Profile

West Suffolk

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	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	113,394	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Males	57,238	50.5%	49.2%	49.1%	37
Females	56,156	49.5%	50.8%	50.9%	614
People living in households	110,057	97.1%	98.3%	98.2%	495
People living in communal establishments	3,337	2.9%	1.7%	1.8%	87
Students living away from home ¹	1,128	-	-	-	-
Population density (people per hectare)	1.4	-	-	-	555

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	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	113,394	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
0 to 15	21,461	18.9%	19.0%	18.8%	273
16 to 24	12,612	11.1%	10.8%	11.9%	288
25 to 44	31,846	28.1%	26.4%	27.3%	183
45 to 64	28,338	25.0%	26.2%	25.6%	443
65 and older	19,137	16.9%	17.5%	16.4%	311

Table KS105: Household composition

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All households	46,488	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
One person	12,097	26.0%	28.5%	30.6%	581
Aged 65 and older	5,288	11.4%	12.7%	12.5%	481
Aged under 65	6,809	14.6%	15.8%	18.1%	497
One family	31,284	67.3%	65.0%	61.7%	117
Lone parent with dependent children	2,817	6.1%	6.2%	7.2%	428
Other	3,107	6.7%	6.5%	7.7%	245

Table KS106: Households where adults are not in employment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All households	46,488	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No adults in employment in household	13,239	28.5%	32.1%	33.9%	548
With dependent children	1,350	2.9%	3.4%	4.2%	455
Without dependent children	11,889	25.6%	28.7%	29.7%	527

Table KS201: Ethnic group

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	113,394	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
White	106,378	93.8%	90.8%	87.2%	350
English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	95,212	84.0%	85.3%	80.5% ¹	
Irish	943	0.8%	1.0%	0.9% ¹	
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	155	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	
Other White	10,068	8.9%	4.5%	4.4% ¹	
Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	2,395	2.1%	1.9%	2.0%	191
White and Black Caribbean	472	0.4%	0.6%	0.8% ¹	
White and Black African	372	0.3%	0.3%	0.3% ¹	
White and Asian	586	0.5%	0.6%	0.6% ¹	
Other Mixed	965	0.9%	0.5%	0.5% ¹	
Asian/Asian British	2,078	1.8%	4.8%	6.9%	376
Indian	533	0.5%	1.5%	2.3%	
Pakistani	196	0.2%	1.1%	1.9%	
Bangladeshi	161	0.1%	0.6%	0.7%	
Chinese	226	0.2%	0.6%	0.7%	
Other Asian	962	0.8%	1.0%	1.4%	
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British²	1,899	1.7%	2.0%	3.0%	195
African	669	0.6%	1.2%	1.8% ¹	
Caribbean	373	0.3%	0.6%	1.1% ¹	
Other Black	857	0.8%	0.2%	0.5% ¹	
Other ethnic group	644	0.6%	0.5%	0.9%	227
Arab	47	0.0%	0.2%	0.4% ¹	
Any other ethnic group	597	0.5%	0.3%	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	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	113,394	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
United Kingdom	95,505	84.2%	89.0%	87.3%	512
England	92,789	81.8%	86.6%	71.9%	400
Scotland	1,541	1.4%	1.3%	8.2%	287
Wales	754	0.7%	0.7%	4.4%	358
Northern Ireland	419	0.4%	0.4%	2.9%	324
United Kingdom (not specified) ¹	2	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	546
Ireland	787	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	210
Other European Union	4,739	4.2%	3.6%	3.5%	159
Member states in March 2001	1,920	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%	163
Accession states: April 2001 to March 2011	2,819	2.5%	2.1%	1.9%	151
Other countries	12,363	10.9%	6.6%	8.4%	133

Table KS205: Passports held

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank ²
	Count	%	East of England	England and Wales	
All usual residents	113,394	...	5,846,965
All passports ³	93,446
No passport	21,050	18.6%	16.7%	16.9%	253
United Kingdom	77,859	68.7%	76.6%	75.2%	512
Republic of Ireland	694	0.6%	0.7%	1.4%	220
Other Europe: EU countries	3,906	3.4%	3.3%	3.4%	175
Other Europe: Non EU countries	215	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	201
Africa	498	0.4%	0.8%	0.9%	278
Middle East and Asia	890	0.8%	1.4%	2.0%	324
North America and the Caribbean	8,998	7.9%	0.8%	0.6%	1
Central America	18	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	145
South America	85	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	174
Antarctica and Oceania	282	0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	219

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	%	East of England	England and Wales	
All households	46,488	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)	44,087	94.8%	93.6%	91.2%	328
At least one but not all people aged 16 and over in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	1,068	2.3%	2.9%	3.7%	269
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)	146	0.3%	0.5%	0.8%	301
No people in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	1,187	2.6%	3.0%	4.3%	253

... 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	%	East of England	England and Wales	
All usual residents	113,394	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Christian	71,333	62.9%	59.7%	59.3%	247
Buddhist	327	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	308
Hindu	272	0.2%	0.9%	1.5%	385
Jewish	151	0.1%	0.6%	0.5%	220
Muslim	691	0.6%	2.5%	4.8%	369
Sikh	77	0.1%	0.3%	0.8%	406
Other religion	430	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	280
No religion	31,734	28.0%	27.9%	25.1%	175
Religion not stated	8,379	7.4%	7.3%	7.2%	195

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	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	113,394	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Very good health	53,822	47.5%	47.2%	47.6%	306
Good health	40,564	35.8%	35.2%	33.6%	75
Fair health	13,994	12.3%	12.9%	13.2%	434
Bad health	3,922	3.5%	3.6%	4.3%	491
Very bad health	1,092	1.0%	1.0%	1.3%	504

Table KS402: Tenure

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All households	46,488	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Owned	28,850	62.1%	67.6%	63.5%	445
Owned outright	13,751	29.6%	32.9%	30.6%	402
Owned with a mortgage or loan	15,099	32.5%	34.7%	32.9%	382
Shared ownership (part owned & rented)	497	1.1%	0.7%	0.7%	92
Social rented¹	7,162	15.4%	15.7%	18.2%	336
Rented from council (Local Authority)	2,749	5.9%	7.8%		422
Other social rented	4,413	9.5%	7.9%	8.3%	203
Private rented	8,715	18.7%	14.7%	16.3%	147
Private landlord or letting agency	7,723	16.6%	13.3%	14.8%	160
Other private rented	992	2.1%	1.4%	1.4%	51
Living rent free	1,264	2.7%	1.3%	1.4%	15

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	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All households	46,488	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No cars or vans in household	6,894	14.8%	18.5%	26.0%	547
1 car or van in household	20,242	43.5%	42.9%	42.2%	222
2 cars or vans in household	14,874	32.0%	29.1%	24.5%	126
3 cars or vans in household	3,221	6.9%	6.9%	5.4%	187
4 or more cars or vans in household	1,257	2.7%	2.6%	1.9%	158

Table KS501: Highest level of qualification

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 and older	91,933	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No qualifications	22,947	25.0%	22.5%	23.2%	253
Level 1 qualifications	13,497	14.7%	14.6%	14.1%	226
Level 2 qualifications	14,610	15.9%	16.2%	15.2%	330
Apprenticeship ¹	3,685	4.0%	3.7%	...	249
Level 3 qualifications	9,983	10.9%	11.8%	12.1%	498
Level 4 qualifications and above	18,567	20.2%	25.7%	27.0%	503
Other qualifications ¹	8,644	9.4%	5.4%

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1. Categories not used in the Scottish census.

Table KS601: Economic activity

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74	83,132	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Economically active	61,228	73.7%	71.6%	69.5%	89
Employee: Part-time	11,518	13.9%	14.3%	13.7%	385
Employee: Full-time	36,812	44.3%	40.0%	38.5%	52
Self-employed	8,225	9.9%	10.5%	9.5%	269
Unemployed	2,742	3.3%	3.8%	4.4%	481
Full-time student	1,931	2.3%	3.0%	3.5%	570
Economically inactive	21,904	26.3%	28.4%	30.5%	562
Retired	11,317	13.6%	14.4%	13.9%	392
Student (including full-time students)	2,559	3.1%	4.6%	5.8%	610
Looking after home or family	3,496	4.2%	4.5%	4.3%	270
Long-term sick or disabled	2,162	2.6%	3.1%	4.3%	543
Other	2,370	2.9%	1.8%	2.2%	112
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In employment	56,555	68.0%	64.8%	61.6%	69
Unemployed	2,742	3.3%	3.8%	4.4%	481
Unemployed: Age 16 to 24	816	1.0%	1.1%	1.2%	437
Unemployed: Age 50 to 74	548	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	559
Unemployed: Never worked	328	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%	466
Unemployed: Long-term unemployed	1,005	1.2%	1.5%	1.7%	496

Table KS605: Industry

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment in the week before the Census	58,126	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,315	2.3%	1.1%	1.0%	94
Mining and quarrying	32	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	526
Manufacturing	7,206	12.4%	8.7%	8.9%	119
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	146	0.3%	0.4%	0.6%	581
Water supply ¹	407	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	352
Construction	4,814	8.3%	8.6%	7.7%	264
Wholesale and retail trade ²	8,615	14.8%	16.4%	15.9%	482
Transport and storage	2,891	5.0%	5.3%	4.9%	266
Accommodation and food service activities	2,772	4.8%	4.7%	5.6%	411
Information and communication	1,326	2.3%	3.9%	3.8%	469
Financial and insurance activities	1,247	2.1%	5.0%	4.3%	527
Real estate activities	670	1.2%	1.4%	1.4%	477
Professional, scientific and technical activities	3,270	5.6%	6.8%	6.4%	301
Administrative and support service activities	2,681	4.6%	4.8%	4.8%	333
Public administration and defence ³	3,692	6.4%	5.6%	6.1%	246
Education	4,039	6.9%	9.9%	9.8%	631
Human health and social work activities	5,919	10.2%	11.5%	12.8%	574
Other	7,084	12.2%	5.0%	5.0%	1

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	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment in the week before the Census	58,126	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Managers, directors and senior officials	6,101	10.5%	11.4%	10.5%	285
Professional occupations	6,708	11.5%	16.7%	17.3%	592
Associate professional and technical occupations	8,517	14.7%	12.9%	12.6%	98
Administrative and secretarial occupations	5,946	10.2%	12.0%	11.5%	499
Skilled trades occupations	8,110	14.0%	12.0%	11.6%	110
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	6,493	11.2%	9.3%	9.4%	88
Sales and customer service occupations	3,903	6.7%	7.9%	8.6%	564
Process, plant and machine operatives	5,248	9.0%	7.3%	7.3%	171
Elementary occupations	7,100	12.2%	10.6%	11.2%	221

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

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74	83,132	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Higher managerial, administrative and professional	6,924	8.3%	10.9%	10.0%	373
Higher managerial and administrative ¹	2,170	2.6%	2.6%	2.3%	202
Higher professional occupations	4,754	5.7%	8.3%	7.8%	439
Lower managerial, administrative and professional	16,951	20.4%	21.7%	20.7%	335
Intermediate	11,246	13.5%	13.9%	12.8%	239
Small employers and own account workers	8,561	10.3%	10.3%	9.2%	209
Lower supervisory and technical	7,385	8.9%	7.0%	7.1%	77
Semi-routine occupations	12,999	15.6%	14.1%	14.2%	249
Routine	11,843	14.2%	10.5%	11.3%	161
Never worked and long-term unemployed	2,852	3.4%	4.1%	5.6%	476
Never worked	1,847	2.2%	2.6%	3.8%	461
Long-term unemployed	1,005	1.2%	1.5%	1.7%	496
Not classified	4,371	5.3%	7.4%	9.0%	617
Full-time students	4,371	5.3%	7.4%	9.0%	617

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	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment	58,126	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Work mainly at or from home	3,004	5.2%	5.7%	5.9%	336
Train (Inc. Underground, metro, lightrail, tram)	585	1.0%	8.4%	8.5%	558
Bus or coach	1,415	2.4%	3.7%	7.5%	538
Car (inc. Taxi) or motorcycle	45,066	77.5%	68.0%	64.0%	77
Bicycle	1,634	2.8%	3.5%	2.7%	195
On Foot	6,103	10.5%	10.1%	10.6%	262
Other	319	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	423

Table: Earnings and unemployment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	£pw		East of England	United Kingdom	
Average earnings of full-time employees	430 ¹		80%	83%	581
	Number	% ²			
Unemployed (out of work benefits)					
Benefit claimants (Dec 2014)	715	1.2%	1.8%	2.7%	536
Change over 1 year		-39.6%	-36.8%	-30.0%	555
Change over 4 years		-55.2%	-49.4%	-41.0%	546

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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