

Constituency Explorer Area Profile

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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	99,607	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Males	48,824	49.0%	49.2%	49.1%	332
Females	50,783	51.0%	50.8%	50.9%	319
People living in households	98,388	98.8%	98.3%	98.2%	288
People living in communal establishments	1,219	1.2%	1.7%	1.8%	322
Students living away from home ¹	2,232	-	-	-	-
Population density (people per hectare)	3.9	-	-	-	438

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	99,607	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
0 to 15	20,969	21.1%	19.0%	18.8%	74
16 to 24	8,655	8.7%	10.8%	11.9%	631
25 to 44	27,386	27.5%	26.4%	27.3%	228
45 to 64	26,277	26.4%	26.2%	25.6%	354
65 and older	16,320	16.4%	17.5%	16.4%	350

Table KS105: Household composition

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All households	40,609	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
One person	11,143	27.4%	28.5%	30.6%	500
Aged 65 and older	4,879	12.0%	12.7%	12.5%	421
Aged under 65	6,264	15.4%	15.8%	18.1%	427
One family	27,474	67.7%	65.0%	61.7%	104
Lone parent with dependent children	2,113	5.2%	6.2%	7.2%	543
Other	1,992	4.9%	6.5%	7.7%	482

Table KS106: Households where adults are not in employment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All households	40,609	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No adults in employment in household	11,059	27.2%	32.1%	33.9%	593
With dependent children	859	2.1%	3.4%	4.2%	577
Without dependent children	10,200	25.1%	28.7%	29.7%	543

Table KS201: Ethnic group

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All usual residents	99,607	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
White	90,045	90.4%	90.8%	87.2%	425
English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	84,853	85.2%	85.3%	80.5% ¹	
Irish	1,247	1.3%	1.0%	0.9% ¹	
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	31	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	
Other White	3,914	3.9%	4.5%	4.4% ¹	
Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	2,599	2.6%	1.9%	2.0%	146
White and Black Caribbean	936	0.9%	0.6%	0.8% ¹	
White and Black African	252	0.3%	0.3%	0.3% ¹	
White and Asian	821	0.8%	0.6%	0.6% ¹	
Other Mixed	590	0.6%	0.5%	0.5% ¹	
Asian/Asian British	4,643	4.7%	4.8%	6.9%	243
Indian	2,064	2.1%	1.5%	2.3%	
Pakistani	400	0.4%	1.1%	1.9%	
Bangladeshi	553	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%	
Chinese	653	0.7%	0.6%	0.7%	
Other Asian	973	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%	
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British²	1,818	1.8%	2.0%	3.0%	185
African	743	0.7%	1.2%	1.8% ¹	
Caribbean	861	0.9%	0.6%	1.1% ¹	
Other Black	214	0.2%	0.2%	0.5% ¹	
Other ethnic group	502	0.5%	0.5%	0.9%	242
Arab	164	0.2%	0.2%	0.4% ¹	
Any other ethnic group	338	0.3%	0.3%	0.6% ¹	

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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	99,607	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
United Kingdom	88,992	89.3%	89.0%	87.3%	428
England	85,472	85.8%	86.6%	71.9%	340
Scotland	1,883	1.9%	1.3%	8.2%	119
Wales	1,202	1.2%	0.7%	4.4%	159
Northern Ireland	431	0.4%	0.4%	2.9%	233
United Kingdom (not specified) ¹	4	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	470
Ireland	875	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%	158
Other European Union	2,696	2.7%	3.6%	3.5%	288
Member states in March 2001	1,775	1.8%	1.6%	1.6%	150
Accession states: April 2001 to March 2011	921	0.9%	2.1%	1.9%	421
Other countries	7,044	7.1%	6.6%	8.4%	207

Table KS205: Passports held

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank ²
	Count	%	East of England	England and Wales	
All usual residents	99,607	...	5,846,965
All passports ³	91,152
No passport	10,379	10.4%	16.7%	16.9%	505
United Kingdom	83,746	84.1%	76.6%	75.2%	33
Republic of Ireland	1,062	1.1%	0.7%	1.4%	124
Other Europe: EU countries	2,486	2.5%	3.3%	3.4%	242
Other Europe: Non EU countries	199	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	192
Africa	802	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%	178
Middle East and Asia	1,098	1.1%	1.4%	2.0%	268
North America and the Caribbean	876	0.9%	0.8%	0.6%	73
Central America	18	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	126
South America	144	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	92
Antarctica and Oceania	721	0.7%	0.3%	0.4%	49

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	40,609	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)	38,337	94.4%	93.6%	91.2%	344
At least one but not all people aged 16 and over in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	1,335	3.3%	2.9%	3.7%	181
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)	177	0.4%	0.5%	0.8%	244
No people in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales)	760	1.9%	3.0%	4.3%	314

... 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	99,607	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Christian	59,817	60.1%	59.7%	59.3%	325
Buddhist	387	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	196
Hindu	960	1.0%	0.9%	1.5%	178
Jewish	390	0.4%	0.6%	0.5%	86
Muslim	1,442	1.4%	2.5%	4.8%	269
Sikh	1,178	1.2%	0.3%	0.8%	74
Other religion	371	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	293
No religion	27,729	27.8%	27.9%	25.1%	183
Religion not stated	7,333	7.4%	7.3%	7.2%	204

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	99,607	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Very good health	54,580	54.8%	47.2%	47.6%	30
Good health	31,957	32.1%	35.2%	33.6%	509
Fair health	9,892	9.9%	12.9%	13.2%	623
Bad health	2,484	2.5%	3.6%	4.3%	639
Very bad health	694	0.7%	1.0%	1.3%	638

Table KS402: Tenure

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	Count	%	East of England	United Kingdom	
All households	40,609	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Owned	29,188	71.9%	67.6%	63.5%	164
Owned outright	13,787	34.0%	32.9%	30.6%	251
Owned with a mortgage or loan	15,401	37.9%	34.7%	32.9%	128
Shared ownership (part owned & rented)	324	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%	193
Social rented¹	5,304	13.1%	15.7%	18.2%	434
Rented from council (Local Authority)	2,882	7.1%	7.8%		372
Other social rented	2,422	6.0%	7.9%	8.3%	396
Private rented	5,357	13.2%	14.7%	16.3%	386
Private landlord or letting agency	4,977	12.3%	13.3%	14.8%	357
Other private rented	380	0.9%	1.4%	1.4%	581
Living rent free	436	1.1%	1.3%	1.4%	469

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	40,609	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No cars or vans in household	5,383	13.3%	18.5%	26.0%	594
1 car or van in household	16,999	41.9%	42.9%	42.2%	424
2 cars or vans in household	14,025	34.5%	29.1%	24.5%	54
3 cars or vans in household	3,084	7.6%	6.9%	5.4%	130
4 or more cars or vans in household	1,118	2.8%	2.6%	1.9%	152

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	78,638	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
No qualifications	11,025	14.0%	22.5%	23.2%	622
Level 1 qualifications	8,513	10.8%	14.6%	14.1%	575
Level 2 qualifications	11,217	14.3%	16.2%	15.2%	496
Apprenticeship ¹	2,345	3.0%	3.7%	...	462
Level 3 qualifications	8,624	11.0%	11.8%	12.1%	486
Level 4 qualifications and above	33,925	43.1%	25.7%	27.0%	31
Other qualifications ¹	2,989	3.8%	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	70,527	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Economically active	52,669	74.7%	71.6%	69.5%	59
Employee: Part-time	9,587	13.6%	14.3%	13.7%	431
Employee: Full-time	30,404	43.1%	40.0%	38.5%	79
Self-employed	8,862	12.6%	10.5%	9.5%	90
Unemployed	2,041	2.9%	3.8%	4.4%	553
Full-time student	1,775	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	473
Economically inactive	17,858	25.3%	28.4%	30.5%	592
Retired	9,208	13.1%	14.4%	13.9%	429
Student (including full-time students)	3,016	4.3%	4.6%	5.8%	326
Looking after home or family	3,444	4.9%	4.5%	4.3%	125
Long-term sick or disabled	1,242	1.8%	3.1%	4.3%	641
Other	948	1.3%	1.8%	2.2%	590
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In employment	48,853	69.3%	64.8%	61.6%	34
Unemployed	2,041	2.9%	3.8%	4.4%	553
Unemployed: Age 16 to 24	489	0.7%	1.1%	1.2%	604
Unemployed: Age 50 to 74	510	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	447
Unemployed: Never worked	189	0.3%	0.5%	0.7%	596
Unemployed: Long-term unemployed	807	1.1%	1.5%	1.7%	521

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	50,348	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	232	0.5%	1.1%	1.0%	285
Mining and quarrying	50	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	367
Manufacturing	3,529	7.0%	8.7%	8.9%	446
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	136	0.3%	0.4%	0.6%	559
Water supply ¹	245	0.5%	0.7%	0.7%	538
Construction	3,450	6.9%	8.6%	7.7%	495
Wholesale and retail trade ²	7,096	14.1%	16.4%	15.9%	543
Transport and storage	1,736	3.4%	5.3%	4.9%	560
Accommodation and food service activities	1,820	3.6%	4.7%	5.6%	632
Information and communication	3,375	6.7%	3.9%	3.8%	61
Financial and insurance activities	3,284	6.5%	5.0%	4.3%	77
Real estate activities	883	1.8%	1.4%	1.4%	87
Professional, scientific and technical activities	6,151	12.2%	6.8%	6.4%	32
Administrative and support service activities	2,267	4.5%	4.8%	4.8%	370
Public administration and defence ³	2,714	5.4%	5.6%	6.1%	394
Education	5,738	11.4%	9.9%	9.8%	93
Human health and social work activities	5,023	10.0%	11.5%	12.8%	588
Other	2,619	5.2%	5.0%	5.0%	167

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	50,348	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Managers, directors and senior officials	7,545	15.0%	11.4%	10.5%	28
Professional occupations	13,326	26.5%	16.7%	17.3%	39
Associate professional and technical occupations	8,273	16.4%	12.9%	12.6%	44
Administrative and secretarial occupations	5,472	10.9%	12.0%	11.5%	390
Skilled trades occupations	4,099	8.1%	12.0%	11.6%	592
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	3,512	7.0%	9.3%	9.4%	625
Sales and customer service occupations	2,964	5.9%	7.9%	8.6%	620
Process, plant and machine operatives	2,001	4.0%	7.3%	7.3%	591
Elementary occupations	3,156	6.3%	10.6%	11.2%	632

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	70,527	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Higher managerial, administrative and professional	13,976	19.8%	10.9%	10.0%	13
Higher managerial and administrative ¹	2,949	4.2%	2.6%	2.3%	18
Higher professional occupations	11,027	15.6%	8.3%	7.8%	17
Lower managerial, administrative and professional	19,952	28.3%	21.7%	20.7%	15
Intermediate	9,332	13.2%	13.9%	12.8%	271
Small employers and own account workers	6,697	9.5%	10.3%	9.2%	277
Lower supervisory and technical	3,345	4.7%	7.0%	7.1%	600
Semi-routine occupations	6,352	9.0%	14.1%	14.2%	619
Routine	4,400	6.2%	10.5%	11.3%	605
Never worked and long-term unemployed	1,843	2.6%	4.1%	5.6%	594
Never worked	1,036	1.5%	2.6%	3.8%	627
Long-term unemployed	807	1.1%	1.5%	1.7%	521
Not classified	4,630	6.6%	7.4%	9.0%	363
Full-time students	4,630	6.6%	7.4%	9.0%	363

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	50,348	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-
Work mainly at or from home	3,994	7.9%	5.7%	5.9%	153
Train (Inc. Underground, metro, lightrail, tram)	8,691	17.3%	8.4%	8.5%	82
Bus or coach	868	1.7%	3.7%	7.5%	605
Car (inc. Taxi) or motorcycle	31,601	62.8%	68.0%	64.0%	484
Bicycle	801	1.6%	3.5%	2.7%	381
On Foot	4,149	8.2%	10.1%	10.6%	438
Other	244	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	544

Table: Earnings and unemployment

	Constituency		Region and Nation (%)		Constituency Rank
	£pw		East of England	United Kingdom	
Average earnings of full-time employees	730 ¹		135%	140%	8
	Number	% ²			
Unemployed (out of work benefits)					
Benefit claimants (Dec 2014)	556	1.1%	1.8%	2.7%	552
Change over 1 year		-34.8%	-36.8%	-30.0%	436
Change over 4 years		-51.2%	-49.4%	-41.0%	482

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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