

Constituency Explorer Area Profile

Birkenhead

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 | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents | 88,818 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Males | 42,844 | 48.2% | 49.1% | 49.1% | 569 |
| Females | 45,974 | 51.8% | 50.9% | 50.9% | 82 |
| People living in households | 87,632 | 98.7% | 98.2% | 98.2% | 309 |
| People living in communal establishments | 1,186 | 1.3% | 1.8% | 1.8% | 295 |
| Students living away from home ¹ | 699 | - | - | - | - |
| Population density (people per hectare) | 35.3 | - | - | - | 126 |

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 | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents | 88,818 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| 0 to 15 | 17,769 | 20.0% | 18.6% | 18.8% | 147 |
| 16 to 24 | 10,539 | 11.9% | 12.1% | 11.9% | 196 |
| 25 to 44 | 23,517 | 26.5% | 26.4% | 27.3% | 308 |
| 45 to 64 | 23,052 | 26.0% | 26.0% | 25.6% | 386 |
| 65 and older | 13,941 | 15.7% | 16.6% | 16.4% | 402 |

Table KS105: Household composition

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All households | 40,029 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| One person | 15,215 | 38.0% | 32.2% | 30.6% | 37 |
| Aged 65 and older | 5,055 | 12.6% | 12.8% | 12.5% | 344 |
| Aged under 65 | 10,160 | 25.4% | 19.4% | 18.1% | 47 |
| One family | 22,333 | 55.8% | 61.2% | 61.7% | 551 |
| Lone parent with dependent children | 4,798 | 12.0% | 8.1% | 7.2% | 20 |
| Other | 2,481 | 6.2% | 6.6% | 7.7% | 294 |

Table KS106: Households where adults are not in employment

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|---|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All households | 40,029 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| No adults in employment in household | 16,994 | 42.5% | 36.4% | 33.9% | 27 |
| With dependent children | 3,186 | 8.0% | 4.7% | 4.2% | 33 |
| Without dependent children | 13,808 | 34.5% | 31.7% | 29.7% | 97 |

Table KS201: Ethnic group

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|--|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents | 88,818 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| White | 85,108 | 95.8% | 90.2% | 87.2% | 294 |
| English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British | 83,079 | 93.5% | 87.1% | 80.5% ¹ | |
| Irish | 805 | 0.9% | 0.9% | 0.9% ¹ | |
| Gypsy or Irish Traveller | 35 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 0.1% | |
| Other White | 1,189 | 1.3% | 2.1% | 4.4% ¹ | |
| Mixed/multiple ethnic groups | 1,079 | 1.2% | 1.6% | 2.0% | 344 |
| White and Black Caribbean | 314 | 0.4% | 0.6% | 0.8% ¹ | |
| White and Black African | 231 | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.3% ¹ | |
| White and Asian | 281 | 0.3% | 0.4% | 0.6% ¹ | |
| Other Mixed | 253 | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.5% ¹ | |
| Asian/Asian British | 2,272 | 2.6% | 6.2% | 6.9% | 329 |
| Indian | 589 | 0.7% | 1.5% | 2.3% | |
| Pakistani | 83 | 0.1% | 2.7% | 1.9% | |
| Bangladeshi | 591 | 0.7% | 0.7% | 0.7% | |
| Chinese | 700 | 0.8% | 0.7% | 0.7% | |
| Other Asian | 309 | 0.3% | 0.7% | 1.4% | |
| Black/African/Caribbean/Black British² | 213 | 0.2% | 1.4% | 3.0% | 501 |
| African | 126 | 0.1% | 0.8% | 1.8% ¹ | |
| Caribbean | 65 | 0.1% | 0.3% | 1.1% ¹ | |
| Other Black | 22 | 0.0% | 0.2% | 0.5% ¹ | |
| Other ethnic group | 146 | 0.2% | 0.6% | 0.9% | 465 |
| Arab | 45 | 0.1% | 0.3% | 0.4% ¹ | |
| Any other ethnic group | 101 | 0.1% | 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 | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents | 88,818 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| United Kingdom | 84,682 | 95.3% | 91.8% | 87.3% | 166 |
| England | 82,414 | 92.8% | 89.0% | 71.9% | 107 |
| Scotland | 834 | 0.9% | 1.4% | 8.2% | 484 |
| Wales | 1,032 | 1.2% | 0.9% | 4.4% | 170 |
| Northern Ireland | 395 | 0.4% | 0.5% | 2.9% | 220 |
| United Kingdom (not specified) ¹ | 7 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 303 |
| Ireland | 580 | 0.7% | 0.7% | 0.7% | 226 |
| Other European Union | 1,186 | 1.3% | 2.0% | 3.5% | 534 |
| Member states in March 2001 | 513 | 0.6% | 0.8% | 1.6% | 554 |
| Accession states: April 2001 to March 2011 | 673 | 0.8% | 1.2% | 1.9% | 478 |
| Other countries | 2,370 | 2.7% | 5.5% | 8.4% | 439 |

Table KS205: Passports held

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank ² |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | England and Wales | |
| All usual residents | 88,818 | ... | 7,052,177 | ... | ... |
| All passports ³ | 68,979 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| No passport | 20,187 | 22.7% | 17.9% | 16.9% | 114 |
| United Kingdom | 66,707 | 75.1% | 77.9% | 75.2% | 343 |
| Republic of Ireland | 441 | 0.5% | 0.6% | 1.4% | 283 |
| Other Europe: EU countries | 839 | 0.9% | 1.8% | 3.4% | 485 |
| Other Europe: Non EU countries | 58 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.3% | 469 |
| Africa | 152 | 0.2% | 0.5% | 0.9% | 466 |
| Middle East and Asia | 540 | 0.6% | 1.4% | 2.0% | 362 |
| North America and the Caribbean | 129 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 0.6% | 486 |
| Central America | 2 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 505 |
| South America | 24 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.1% | 376 |
| Antarctica and Oceania | 86 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.4% | 462 |

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 | % | North West | England and Wales | |
| All households | 40,029 | 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) | 38,948 | 97.3% | 94.2% | 91.2% | 185 |
| At least one but not all people aged 16 and over in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales) | 425 | 1.1% | 2.4% | 3.7% | 465 |
| 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) | 104 | 0.3% | 0.5% | 0.8% | 329 |
| No people in household have English as a main language (English or Welsh in Wales) | 552 | 1.4% | 2.9% | 4.3% | 374 |

... 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 | % | North West | England and Wales | |
| All usual residents | 88,818 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Christian | 60,633 | 68.3% | 67.3% | 59.3% | 91 |
| Buddhist | 295 | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.4% | 250 |
| Hindu | 200 | 0.2% | 0.5% | 1.5% | 396 |
| Jewish | 72 | 0.1% | 0.4% | 0.5% | 321 |
| Muslim | 898 | 1.0% | 5.1% | 4.8% | 298 |
| Sikh | 120 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.8% | 300 |
| Other religion | 215 | 0.2% | 0.3% | 0.4% | 522 |
| No religion | 20,446 | 23.0% | 19.8% | 25.1% | 395 |
| Religion not stated | 5,939 | 6.7% | 6.2% | 7.2% | 388 |

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 | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents | 88,818 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Very good health | 39,642 | 44.6% | 46.5% | 47.6% | 486 |
| Good health | 27,802 | 31.3% | 32.8% | 33.6% | 543 |
| Fair health | 13,387 | 15.1% | 13.9% | 13.2% | 126 |
| Bad health | 6,183 | 7.0% | 5.3% | 4.3% | 22 |
| Very bad health | 1,804 | 2.0% | 1.5% | 1.3% | 37 |

Table KS402: Tenure

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|---|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All households | 40,029 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Owned | 21,189 | 52.9% | 64.5% | 63.5% | 562 |
| Owned outright | 9,590 | 24.0% | 31.0% | 30.6% | 534 |
| Owned with a mortgage or loan | 11,599 | 29.0% | 33.5% | 32.9% | 518 |
| Shared ownership (part owned & rented) | 359 | 0.9% | 0.5% | 0.7% | 148 |
| Social rented¹ | 9,891 | 24.7% | 18.3% | 18.2% | 115 |
| Rented from council (Local Authority) | 3,253 | 8.1% | 7.7% | | 339 |
| Other social rented | 6,638 | 16.6% | 10.6% | 8.3% | 41 |
| Private rented | 8,190 | 20.5% | 15.4% | 16.3% | 117 |
| Private landlord or letting agency | 7,726 | 19.3% | 14.1% | 14.8% | 110 |
| Other private rented | 464 | 1.2% | 1.3% | 1.4% | 441 |
| Living rent free | 400 | 1.0% | 1.3% | 1.4% | 522 |

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 | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All households | 40,029 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| No cars or vans in household | 15,494 | 38.7% | 28.0% | 26.0% | 83 |
| 1 car or van in household | 16,374 | 40.9% | 42.5% | 42.2% | 499 |
| 2 cars or vans in household | 6,629 | 16.6% | 23.5% | 24.5% | 552 |
| 3 cars or vans in household | 1,214 | 3.0% | 4.6% | 5.4% | 553 |
| 4 or more cars or vans in household | 318 | 0.8% | 1.4% | 1.9% | 561 |

Table KS501: Highest level of qualification

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|--|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents aged 16 and older | 71,049 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| No qualifications | 19,734 | 27.8% | 24.8% | 23.2% | 149 |
| Level 1 qualifications | 10,395 | 14.6% | 13.6% | 14.1% | 230 |
| Level 2 qualifications | 12,567 | 17.7% | 15.8% | 15.2% | 28 |
| Apprenticeship ¹ | 2,841 | 4.0% | 3.9% | ... | 252 |
| Level 3 qualifications | 8,537 | 12.0% | 12.9% | 12.1% | 267 |
| Level 4 qualifications and above | 14,163 | 19.9% | 24.4% | 27.0% | 516 |
| Other qualifications ¹ | 2,812 | 4.0% | 4.5% | ... | ... |

... Not available

1. Categories not used in the Scottish census.

Table KS601: Economic activity

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|--|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents aged 16 to 74 | 64,665 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Economically active | 41,686 | 64.5% | 67.8% | 69.5% | 588 |
| Employee: Part-time | 9,535 | 14.7% | 13.9% | 13.7% | 199 |
| Employee: Full-time | 22,010 | 34.0% | 37.5% | 38.5% | 548 |
| Self-employed | 4,095 | 6.3% | 8.2% | 9.5% | 558 |
| Unemployed | 4,442 | 6.9% | 4.7% | 4.4% | 44 |
| Full-time student | 1,604 | 2.5% | 3.5% | 3.5% | 495 |
| Economically inactive | 22,979 | 35.5% | 32.2% | 30.5% | 63 |
| Retired | 9,122 | 14.1% | 14.8% | 13.9% | 367 |
| Student (including full-time students) | 3,024 | 4.7% | 5.6% | 5.8% | 260 |
| Looking after home or family | 3,139 | 4.9% | 3.9% | 4.3% | 128 |
| Long-term sick or disabled | 5,834 | 9.0% | 5.6% | 4.3% | 18 |
| Other | 1,860 | 2.9% | 2.2% | 2.2% | 109 |
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| In employment | 35,640 | 55.1% | 59.6% | 61.6% | 578 |
| Unemployed | 4,442 | 6.9% | 4.7% | 4.4% | 44 |
| Unemployed: Age 16 to 24 | 1,344 | 2.1% | 1.4% | 1.2% | 35 |
| Unemployed: Age 50 to 74 | 711 | 1.1% | 0.8% | 0.8% | 47 |
| Unemployed: Never worked | 792 | 1.2% | 0.8% | 0.7% | 74 |
| Unemployed: Long-term unemployed | 1,952 | 3.0% | 1.8% | 1.7% | 29 |

Table KS605: Industry

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|--|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment in the week before the Census | 36,795 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 28 | 0.1% | 0.7% | 1.0% | 579 |
| Mining and quarrying | 37 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.3% | 362 |
| Manufacturing | 3,787 | 10.3% | 10.3% | 8.9% | 241 |
| Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply | 173 | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.6% | 337 |
| Water supply ¹ | 326 | 0.9% | 0.8% | 0.7% | 158 |
| Construction | 2,631 | 7.2% | 7.4% | 7.7% | 461 |
| Wholesale and retail trade ² | 5,584 | 15.2% | 16.7% | 15.9% | 430 |
| Transport and storage | 1,822 | 5.0% | 5.0% | 4.9% | 277 |
| Accommodation and food service activities | 1,988 | 5.4% | 5.9% | 5.6% | 265 |
| Information and communication | 779 | 2.1% | 2.9% | 3.8% | 509 |
| Financial and insurance activities | 1,076 | 2.9% | 3.5% | 4.3% | 410 |
| Real estate activities | 571 | 1.6% | 1.4% | 1.4% | 190 |
| Professional, scientific and technical activities | 1,995 | 5.4% | 5.6% | 6.4% | 317 |
| Administrative and support service activities | 1,944 | 5.3% | 4.9% | 4.8% | 148 |
| Public administration and defence ³ | 2,579 | 7.0% | 6.0% | 6.1% | 176 |
| Education | 3,203 | 8.7% | 9.7% | 9.8% | 463 |
| Human health and social work activities | 6,397 | 17.4% | 13.9% | 12.8% | 24 |
| Other | 1,875 | 5.1% | 4.6% | 5.0% | 196 |

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 | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment in the week before the Census | 36,795 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Managers, directors and senior officials | 2,977 | 8.1% | 9.9% | 10.5% | 520 |
| Professional occupations | 5,295 | 14.4% | 16.3% | 17.3% | 427 |
| Associate professional and technical occupations | 3,792 | 10.3% | 11.5% | 12.6% | 505 |
| Administrative and secretarial occupations | 4,475 | 12.2% | 11.8% | 11.5% | 200 |
| Skilled trades occupations | 4,150 | 11.3% | 11.3% | 11.6% | 399 |
| Caring, leisure and other service occupations | 4,652 | 12.6% | 10.1% | 9.4% | 15 |
| Sales and customer service occupations | 3,505 | 9.5% | 9.4% | 8.6% | 199 |
| Process, plant and machine operatives | 3,243 | 8.8% | 8.1% | 7.3% | 189 |
| Elementary occupations | 4,706 | 12.8% | 11.6% | 11.2% | 171 |

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

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|--|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | Count | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents aged 16 to 74 | 64,665 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Higher managerial, administrative and professional | 4,138 | 6.4% | 8.9% | 10.0% | 532 |
| Higher managerial and administrative ¹ | 888 | 1.4% | 2.1% | 2.3% | 555 |
| Higher professional occupations | 3,250 | 5.0% | 6.8% | 7.8% | 508 |
| Lower managerial, administrative and professional | 11,168 | 17.3% | 19.4% | 20.7% | 526 |
| Intermediate | 8,002 | 12.4% | 13.1% | 12.8% | 380 |
| Small employers and own account workers | 4,416 | 6.8% | 8.5% | 9.2% | 542 |
| Lower supervisory and technical | 5,172 | 8.0% | 7.4% | 7.1% | 195 |
| Semi-routine occupations | 11,540 | 17.8% | 15.1% | 14.2% | 77 |
| Routine | 9,708 | 15.0% | 12.3% | 11.3% | 117 |
| Never worked and long-term unemployed | 6,043 | 9.3% | 6.2% | 5.6% | 68 |
| Never worked | 4,091 | 6.3% | 4.3% | 3.8% | 83 |
| Long-term unemployed | 1,952 | 3.0% | 1.8% | 1.7% | 30 |
| Not classified | 4,478 | 6.9% | 9.0% | 9.0% | 306 |
| Full-time students | 4,478 | 6.9% | 9.0% | 9.0% | 306 |

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 | % | North West | United Kingdom | |
| All usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment | 36,795 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | - |
| Work mainly at or from home | 1,190 | 3.2% | 4.5% | 5.9% | 544 |
| Train (Inc. Underground, metro, lightrail, tram) | 2,646 | 7.2% | 3.4% | 8.5% | 160 |
| Bus or coach | 3,611 | 9.8% | 8.3% | 7.5% | 176 |
| Car (inc. Taxi) or motorcycle | 24,527 | 66.7% | 70.2% | 64.0% | 403 |
| Bicycle | 593 | 1.6% | 2.2% | 2.7% | 376 |
| On Foot | 3,909 | 10.6% | 10.9% | 10.6% | 255 |
| Other | 319 | 0.9% | 0.6% | 0.7% | 99 |

Table: Earnings and unemployment

| | Constituency | | Region and Nation (%) | | Constituency Rank |
|--|-------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | £pw | | North West | United Kingdom | |
| Average earnings of full-time employees | 460 ¹ | | 96% | 88% | 478 |
| | Number | % ² | | | |
| Unemployed (out of work benefits) | | | | | |
| Benefit claimants (Dec 2014) | 2,029 | 5.1% | 3.1% | 2.7% | 60 |
| Change over 1 year | | -23.8% | -30.5% | -30.0% | 94 |
| Change over 4 years | | -37.9% | -39.8% | -41.0% | 183 |

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:

14/10 Census 2011 Constituency Results:UK

Unemployment by Constituency (monthly)

10/36 *General Election 2010*

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