

Population		
Resident population	173,074	
Male	85,343	49.3%
Female	87,731	50.7%
Lives in household	167,080	96.5%
Lives in communal establishment	5,994	3.5%
Persons per Ha	5.3	

Age structure		
0-9 years	20,050	11.6%
10-19 years	21,317	12.3%
20-29 years	25,833	14.9%
30-39 years	22,999	13.3%
40-49 years	24,838	14.4%
50-59 years	19,887	11.5%
60-69 years	19,042	11.0%
70-79 years	11,459	6.6%
80-89 years	6,329	3.7%
90-99 years	1,287	0.7%
100+ years	33	<0.1%
Mean age	38.9 years	

Ethnic group		
White	159,306	92.0%
Mixed	3,152	1.8%
Asian or Asian British	6,355	3.7%
Black or Black British	2,575	1.5%
Other (incl. Arabic)	1,686	1.0%

Religious group		
Christian	99,879	57.7%
Buddhist	982	0.6%
Hindu	1,274	0.7%
Jewish	264	0.2%
Muslim	2,762	1.6%
Sikh	182	0.1%
Other religion	789	0.5%
No religion	54,354	31.4%
Religion not stated	12,588	7.3%

Health		
Very good health	84,520	48.8%
Good health	60,279	34.8%
Fair health	20,925	12.1%
Bad health	5,692	3.3%
Very bad health	1,658	1.0%
Normal activities limited a lot	12,141	7.0%
Normal activities limited a little	15,202	8.8%

Households and dwellings		
Households	71,634	
Dwellings	74,538	
Average people per household	2.3	

Household tenure		
Owned outright	22,840	31.9%
Owned w/ mortgage	24,667	34.4%
Shared equity	325	0.5%
Socially rented	9,669	13.5%
Privately rented	13,390	18.7%
Living rent free	743	1.0%

Dwelling type		
Detached	23,264	31.2%
Semi-detached	22,334	30.0%
Terraced	13,917	18.7%
Flat/maisonette	15,093	20.2%
Caravan/temporary structure	123	0.2%
Average no. rooms	5.5	
Average no. bedrooms	2.8	

Household composition – Households*		
One person over 65	8,175	11.4%
One person under 65	12,674	17.7%
One family - All over 65	6,101	8.5%
Couple - no children	13,760	19.2%
Couple – dep. children	14,753	20.6%
Couple – non-dep. children	4,167	5.8%
Lone parent – non-dep. children	4,898	6.8%
Lone parent – dep. children	2,220	3.1%
Other	4,886	6.8%

Method of travel to work		
Work at home	4,484	5.2%
Train	6,655	7.8%
Bus	4,918	5.7%
Taxi	291	0.3%
Motorcycle/moped	700	0.8%
Drive car/van	49,522	57.9%
Passenger in car/van	4,219	4.9%
Bicycle	3,394	4.0%
On foot	10,754	12.6%
Other	650	0.8%

Vehicle ownership		
No vehicles	14,741	20.6%
1 vehicle	31,386	43.8%
2 vehicles	19,607	27.4%
3 vehicles	4,277	6.0%
4 or more vehicles	1,623	2.3%
Total no. of vehicles	90,741	

Economic activity		
No. economically active	91,385	71.9%
No. economically inactive	37,177	29.1%
Part-time workers	18,471	
Full-time workers	50,589	
Self-employed workers	12,154	

Industry		
Energy, water, agriculture, fishing, mining & quarrying	1,399	1.6%
Manufacturing	5,636	6.6%
Construction	7,077	8.3%
Hospitality & catering	4,036	16.0%
Transport, storage & communication	6,740	7.9%
Wholesale & retail, repair of motor vehicles	13,718	16.0%
Finance, insurance & real estate	6,117	7.1%
Administrative & support	3,818	4.5%
Public admin. & defence	6,796	7.9%
Professional, scientific and technical	4,918	5.7%
Health, education & social	21,252	24.8%
Other	4,080	4.8%

Note: percentages rounded to 1d.p.

*This is the number of households NOT residents

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