



This profile contains a selection of key statistics taken from the 2001 Census for the Ossett area. The 2001 Census was taken on the 29th April 2001 and the subsequent results provide the most comprehensive survey of the UK population. Detailed data is available down to small area levels, the smallest being census output areas which contain around 125 households. The Ossett area lies within the Ossett and Horbury electoral wards and the boundaries used to create this profile are illustrated in the adjoining map. Please note that the statistics in this profile are based on a non-standard geographical area and are derived by amalgamating Census Output Areas.

The following data tables compare the neighbourhood profile of Ossett to that of the Wakefield District and national averages. Percentages are calculated on a base figure for each category or sub-category, which appears in italic type at the top of each appropriate section. Please note that in some cases the data shown in this summary may have been rounded and figures shown may differ slightly from those published elsewhere. Due to rounding of percentages, the addition of categories may not sum to exactly 100 per cent in all cases. It should also be noted that in some cases, different tables might show different counts for the same population, due to disclosure protection measures used to prevent the inadvertent disclosure of information about identifiable individuals. Figures quoted should therefore be used for guidance only.

A series of area profiles has been prepared by the Council's spatial policy group, for further information regarding availability, please contact the spatial policy group or visit [www.wakefield.org.uk/census2001](http://www.wakefield.org.uk/census2001). Further profiles and data can be found at the National Statistics website at [www.statistics.gov.uk](http://www.statistics.gov.uk).

## CENSUS 2001 KEY STATISTICS

	Ossett	%	Wakefield District %	England %
<b>POPULATION</b>				
<i>All People</i>	<b>21,076</b>			
Residents living in households	<b>20,988</b>	<b>99.6</b>	98.7	98.2
Residents living in communal establishments	<b>88</b>	<b>0.4</b>	1.3	1.8
Males	<b>10,234</b>	<b>48.6</b>	48.6	48.7
Females	<b>10,842</b>	<b>51.4</b>	51.4	51.3
Aged 0-4	<b>1,101</b>	<b>5.2</b>	5.7	6.0
5-15	<b>2,868</b>	<b>13.6</b>	14.8	14.2
16-24	<b>2,010</b>	<b>9.5</b>	10.0	10.9
25-44	<b>6,437</b>	<b>30.5</b>	29.4	29.1
45-59	<b>4,540</b>	<b>21.5</b>	19.7	18.9
60-74	<b>2,687</b>	<b>12.7</b>	13.4	13.3
75 and over	<b>1,451</b>	<b>6.9</b>	7.1	7.5
<b>HEALTH</b>				
<i>All People</i>	<b>21,076</b>			
Limiting long-term illness <sup>i</sup>	<b>3,693</b>	<b>17.5</b>	22.4	17.9
General health <sup>ii</sup> 'not good'	<b>2,000</b>	<b>9.5</b>	12.3	9.0
General health 'fairly good'	<b>4,681</b>	<b>22.2</b>	23.1	22.2
General health 'good'	<b>14,395</b>	<b>68.3</b>	64.6	68.8
People providing unpaid care <sup>iii</sup>	<b>2,179</b>	<b>10.3</b>	11.1	9.9
Providing unpaid care 50+ hours per week	<b>423</b>	<b>2.0</b>	2.7	2.0

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	Ossett	%	Wakefield District %	England %
<b>PEOPLE PLACES AND FAMILIES</b>				
<i>Marital status (all people aged 16 and over)</i>	17,118			
Single people (never married)	4,263	24.9	26.1	30.2
Married or re-married people	9,619	56.2	53.4	50.9
Separated or divorced	1,877	11.0	11.7	10.6
Widowed	1,359	7.9	8.8	8.3
<i>Transport (all households)</i>	8,980			
Households without car/van	2,126	23.7	30.6	26.8
Household with 1 car or van	4,076	45.4	44.6	43.7
Household with 2 or more cars/vans	2,778	30.9	24.8	29.5
<i>Composition (all households)</i>	9,011			
One person households	2,455	27.2	28.3	30.0
Married couple households	3,863	42.9	39.6	36.5
Cohabiting couple households	918	10.2	9.4	8.3
Households with dependent children <sup>iv</sup>	2,654	29.5	30.9	29.4
Lone parent households	709	7.9	9.7	9.5
Lone parent households with dependent children <sup>iv</sup>	448	5.0	6.6	6.4
Pensioner only households	2,071	23.0	23.6	23.7
Pensioners living alone	1,266	14.0	14.5	14.4
<b>ETHNICITY AND RELIGION</b>				
<i>All People</i>	21,075			
<i>Ethnic Group</i>				
White	20,841	98.9	97.7	90.9
Mixed	97	0.5	0.5	1.3
Asian or Asian British	89	0.4	1.4	4.6
Other	48	0.2	0.4	3.2
<i>Country of Birth</i>				
Born in UK	20,695	98.2	97.5	90.7
Born elsewhere in EU	164	0.8	0.8	2.4
Born outside EU	224	1.1	1.7	6.9
<i>Religion</i>				
Christian	16,500	78.3	78.2	71.7
Other	162	0.8	1.7	6.0
No religion	2,872	13.6	11.7	14.6
Religion not stated	1,541	7.3	8.3	7.7
<b>WORK</b>				
<i>All people aged 16-74</i>	15,684			
<i>Economically active</i>	11,368	72.5	64.3	66.9
Full-time <sup>v</sup> employees	7,349	46.9	40.1	40.8
Part-time <sup>vi</sup> employees	2,141	13.7	12.9	11.8
Self-employed	1,127	7.2	5.8	8.3
Unemployed	435	2.8	3.5	3.3
Full-time student	317	2.0	1.9	2.6
<i>Economically inactive</i>	4,315	27.5	35.7	33.1
Retired	2,090	13.3	14.4	13.5
Permanently sick or disabled	782	5.0	8.3	5.3
Looking after home/family	733	4.7	6.5	6.5
Student	386	2.5	3.1	4.7
Other	324	2.1	3.4	3.1
<i>Qualifications</i>	15,678			
Degree level or higher <sup>vii</sup>	2,156	13.8	12.5	19.9
No qualifications	5,043	32.2	39.1	28.9
<i>Travel to work (all people aged 16-74 in employment)</i>	10,903			
Car, van, motorcycle, taxi	7,806	71.6	68.1	62.7
Public transport <sup>viii</sup>	1,041	9.5	11.5	14.9
Bicycle or foot	1,235	11.3	12.2	12.8

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<b>Occupation</b> (all people aged 16-74 in employment)	10,900			
Managers and senior officials	1,566	14.4	12.3	15.3
Professional	792	7.3	7.6	11.2
Associate professional & technical	1,396	12.8	11.6	13.8
Administrative & secretarial	1,468	13.5	12.0	13.4
Skilled trades	1,544	14.2	12.3	11.5
Personal service occupations	669	6.1	7.1	6.9
Sales and customer service	1,013	9.3	8.7	7.7
Process, plant & machine operatives	1,147	10.5	11.9	8.4
Elementary	1,305	12.0	16.4	11.8
<b>Industry</b> (all people aged 16-74 in employment)				
Agriculture			0.8	1.5
Energy	138	1.3	2.3	1.0
Manufacturing	2,090	19.1	16.7	14.8
Construction	994	9.1	7.5	6.8
Wholesale, retail trade; repair of motor vehicles	2,376	21.8	21.7	16.8
Hotels & Catering	422	3.9	4.5	4.7
Transport, storage & communication	647	5.9	6.8	7.1
Finance & business services	1,483	13.6	12.4	18.0
Public administration & defence	630	5.8	5.8	5.7
Education	673	6.2	6.7	7.7
Health and social work	1,037	9.5	10.9	10.7
Other <sup>ix</sup>			4.0	5.2
<b>HOUSING</b>				
Households (all household spaces)	9,151			
Detached	2,092	22.9	20.1	22.5
Semi-detached	4,125	45.1	45.0	31.6
Terraced	2,244	24.5	24.5	25.8
Flat	685	7.5	10.3	19.7
Non permanent accommodation <sup>x</sup>	6	0.1	0.2	0.4
Vacant households	163	1.8	3.1	3.2
<b>Tenure</b> (all household tenures)	9,006			
Owner-occupied	6,487	72.0	65.2	68.7
Rented from Council	1,618	18.0	25.7	13.2
Rented from Housing Association or Registered Social Landlord <sup>xi</sup>	272	3.0	2.2	6.1
Private or other rented <sup>xii</sup>	629	7.0	6.9	12.0
<b>Amenities</b> (all occupied households)				
Households without central heating	792	8.8	6.6	8.5

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- i Limiting long-term illness covers any long-term illness; health problem or disability that limits daily activities or work.
- ii General health refers to health over the 12 months prior to Census day (29 April 2001)
- iii Provision of unpaid care: looking after; giving help or support to family members; friends; neighbours or others because of long-term physical or mental ill-health or disability or problems relating to old age.
- iv A dependent child is a person in a household aged 0 - 15 (whether or not in a family) or a person aged 16 - 18 who is a full-time student and in a family with parent(s).
- v working 31 or more hours a week
- vi working 30 or less hours a week
- vii First Degree, Higher degree; NVQ levels 4 and 5; HNC; HND; Qualified Teacher Status; Qualified Medical Doctor; Qualified Dentist; Qualified Nurse; Midwife; Health Visitor.
- viii Defined as Underground metro light rail or tram; train and bus minibus or coach.
- ix Other includes: other community; social and personal service activities; private households with employed persons and extra-territorial organisations and bodies.
- x Households in non permanent accommodation (caravans, houseboats)
- xi Includes Housing Co-operative and Charitable Trust
- xii Includes employer of a household member and relative or friend of a household member and living rent free