Census 2001 Ward Profile: Norton

Dudley
Metropolitan Borough Council

Summary Statistics

Population

Norton has a population of 11,943.

There are 5,791 males and 6,152 females.

25.9% of the ward population are people aged 60 and over, compared to the Borough figure of 22.2%.

Norton has an area of 569 hectares, with 21.0 people per hectare.

Culture

96.2% of the ward population describe themselves as White British, compared to the Borough figure of 92.5%. 3.8% of the population are from minority ethnic groups. 1.0% of the population is White Other, which is the largest minority ethnic group in the area.

In terms of religion, the three highest responses were:

- 81.7% of people described themselves as Christian,
- 10.5% of people stated that they have no religion, and
- 0.5% of the population described themselves as Sikh.

Housing

There are 4,973 households in Norton.

Average household size in Norton is 2.4 people.

82.7% of all households are owner occupied, while 17.3% of all households in Norton are rented, with the local authority acting as the largest landlord, letting 11.4% of all properties in the ward.

Work & Economy

57.4% of economically active 16-74 year olds are in full-time employment. Meanwhile, the percentage of economically active 16-74 year olds who are unemployed is 4.1%, compared to the Borough figure of 5.9%. 33.2% of those unemployed fall into the 50+ age group, and 33.2% of unemployed people are long-term unemployed. This is lower than the Borough figure of 35.7%.

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12.5% of economically inactive people aged 16-74 are permanently sick or disabled in Norton. This compares to the Borough figure of 16.3% and 16.5% nationally.

The percentage of people aged 16-74 working as managerial, senior official, professional and associate professional occupations in Norton is 46.7%, compared to the Borough figure of 33.2%

The number of people working as process, plant and machine operatives and in other elementary occupations is 14.5%, compared to the Borough figure of 23.5%.

27.2% of people aged 16-74 have no formal qualifications. This is lower than the Borough figure of 37.4%. 72.8% of people aged 16-74 have attained formal qualifications. 21.8% have achieved qualifications at level 4/5.

Health & Lifestyles

18.4% of Norton residents have a limiting long-term illness as compared to the Borough figure of 19.1%.

There are 168 lone parent households with dependent children in the ward, which accounts for 3.4% of all households, compared to the Borough figure of 5.5%.

Pensioner households account for 29.7% of all households in this ward. 16.4% of households are lone pensioner households. This is higher than the Borough figure of 14.5%.

17.2% of households in the ward do not have a car or a van. This is lower than the Borough figure of 25.3%.

2001 Census: Key Area Statistics – Norton

Age Structure

Age Group	2001	% Total	% Borough
0 - 4	550	4.6	5.7
5 - 15	1578	13.2	14.2
16 - 19	498	4.2	4.6
20 - 29	933	7.8	11.3
30 - 44	2470	20.7	22.1
45 - 59	2821	23.6	19.9
60 - 64	707	5.9	5.5
65 - 74	1214	10.2	9.3
75 - 84	901	7.5	5.7
85 +	271	2.3	1.7
Total (All people)	**11943**		

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Ethnicity

Ethnic Group	Total	% Total	% Borough
White: British	11498	96.23	92.50
Irish	90	0.75	0.50
Other	120	1.00	0.68
Mixed: White and Black Caribbean	33	0.28	0.63
White and Black African	3	0.03	0.03
White and Asian	21	0.18	0.24
Other Mixed	7	0.06	0.12
Asian or Asian British: Indian	80	0.67	1.55
Pakistani	23	0.19	2.04
Bangladeshi	3	0.03	0.09
Other Asian	15	0.13	0.29
Black or Black British: Black Caribbean	8	0.07	0.77
Black African	3	0.03	0.08
Other Black	6	0.05	0.10
Chinese	28	0.23	0.22
Other Ethnic Group	11	0.09	0.16
Total (All people)	**11949**		

Table KS06

Housing Tenure

Tenure	Number of Households	% of Households	% Borough
Owner occupied: Owns outright	2006	40.3	31.4
Owns with a mortgage or loan	2099	42.2	39.4
Shared ownership	6	0.1	0.6
Rented from: Council (local authority)	565	11.4	19.4
Housing Association / Registered Social Landlord	44	0.9	2.4
Private landlord or letting agency	110	2.2	3.5
Other	143	2.9	3.3
Total (All households)	**4973**		

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Economic Activity

Economically Active/Inactive	Total	% Total	% Borough
Economically active: Employees Part-time	1204	20.6	19.3
Employees Full-time	3360	57.4	62.1
Self-Employed	841	14.4	9.7
Unemployed	241	4.1	5.9
Full-time Student	203	3.5	3.0
Total of Economically active (aged 16-74)	**5849**		
Economically inactive: Retired	1478	52.9	46.0
Student	289	10.3	8.8
Looking after home/family	500	17.9	19.9
Permanently sick/disabled	348	12.5	16.3
Other	179	6.4	9.1
Total of Economically inactive (Aged 16-74)	**2794**		

Table KS09

Occupation

Occupation	Total	% Total	% Borough
Managers and senior officials	1061	19.0	13.3
Professional occupations	811	14.5	8.4
Associate professional and technical	734	13.2	11.5
Administrative and secretarial	781	14.0	14.0
Skilled trades	638	11.4	14.6
Personal service	332	5.9	6.2
Sales and customer service	415	7.4	8.4
Process, plant and machine operatives	384	6.9	12.1
Elementary occupations	424	7.6	11.4
Total (All people aged 16-74 in employment)	**5580**		

Table KS12

Qualifications

Qualifications	Total	% Total	% Borough
No qualifications	2351	27.2	37.4
Qualifications: Highest Qualification level 1	1275	14.8	17.2
Highest Qualification level 2	1788	20.7	18.6
Highest Qualification level 3	636	7.4	6.1
Highest Qualification level 4/5	1882	21.8	12.7
Highest Qualification level unknown	711	8.2	8.0
Total (All people aged 16-74)	**8643**		

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Limiting Long - Term Illness

Status	Total	% Total	% Borough
People with limiting long-term illness	2196	18.4	19.1
People whose health was good	8189	68.6	65.8
People whose health was fairly good	2723	22.8	24.2
People whose health was not good	1031	8.6	10.0

Table KS08

Pensioner Households

Pensioner	Number of Households	% of Households	% Borough
One person: Pensioner	816	16.4	14.5
One family and no others: All pensioners	644	13.0	9.8
Other households: All pensioner	17	0.3	0.4
Total (all pensioner households)	**1477**	29.7	

Table KS20

Car or Van Availability

Households With:	Number of Households	% of Households	% Borough
No cars or vans	854	17.2	25.3
One car or van	1884	37.9	43.2
Two cars or vans	1725	34.7	25.3
Three cars or vans	394	7.9	4.9
Four or more cars or vans	116	2.3	1.3
All cars or vans in the area	**7007**		

Table KS17

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This ward profile has been updated using 2001 census data following changes to the ward boundaries to ensure they were compliant with the Local Government Act 1992. For this reason, it is not possible to deduce meaningful comparisons between the 1991 census and the new ward data.

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