

Area Profile for Barrowford & Western Parishes



Population

The overall population of the Barrowford & Western Parishes area is 9,985, based on 2009 Office for National Statistics estimates. Of the population in the area 15.3% are aged between 0 and 15, which is below the Pendle and national averages. It seems to be a slightly older population in the area when compared to the rest of Pendle. 25.9% of the Barrowford & Western Parishes population are aged 60/65 and over (female/male), which is over 6% higher than the Pendle and national averages.

50.5% of the Barrowford & Western Parishes residents are married, which is 7% higher than the Pendle and national averages. As such the proportion of the area population who are single (never married) is 21.6%, which is around 5% below the Pendle average and 8.5% lower than nationally.

In terms of ethnicity, the Barrowford & Western Parishes population is predominantly made up of white residents. 97.7% of the area population are white, which is higher than the Pendle and national averages of 84.9% and 90.9% respectively.

Labour Market

Of the adult population in Barrowford & Western Parishes, 79.3% are economically active. This is over 9% higher than the Pendle average and 5% higher than the Great Britain average.

There are a greater number of residents in the area in managerial and senior official occupations than compared to the Pendle and national averages (21.9% in Barrowford & Western Parishes; 13.4% in Pendle; and 14.8% in Great Britain). Conversely, only 6.6% of those in employment in the area are in elementary occupations. This is below the Pendle and national averages of 12.1% and 11.9% respectively.

The proportion of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) claimants in Barrowford & Western Parishes is below the Pendle and Great Britain averages. 1.2% claimed JSA in the area in November 2010, compared to 3.1% in Pendle and 3.5% in Great Britain.

Health

18.32% of the Barrowford & Western Parishes population have a limiting long-term illness. This is above the national average but below the Pendle average. Moreover, of the 4 wards in the area only Higham and Pendleside has a proportion which is lower than the national average.

Crime

The total recorded crime rate in Barrowford & Western Parishes was 31.6 crimes per 1,000 population in the period between April 2010 and March 2011. This is over half the Pendle and Lancashire averages.

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) has been seen as a problem in some parts of the country and the borough, but the rate of calls to the police about ASB in this area is well below the comparative averages.

The rate of burglaries per 1,000 households in the area is 18.3, which is below the Pendle and Lancashire averages of 22.1 and 20.6 respectively. But in Old Laund Booth the rate is 30.9 which is above the comparative averages. The rate of thefts from a vehicle in the Barrowford & Western Parishes area is marginally above the Pendle and Lancashire averages.

Housing

34.6% of all households in Barrowford & Western Parishes are detached, which is nearly 3 times the Pendle average of 12.4% and 12% higher than the national average. The proportion of terraced houses in the area is 33.5%, which is above the national average but nearly half the Pendle average.

In terms of the ownership of households in Barrowford & Western Parishes, 42.3% of all households are owned outright. This is above the Pendle and national averages of 36% and 29.2% respectively. In addition, 44.7% of households in the area are owned through a mortgage. This again is above the Pendle and national averages.

Although vacant housing is high in Pendle, the problem is not evident in Barrowford & Western Parishes. 2.4% of all households in the area are vacant, compared to 6.3% in Pendle and 3.2% across England.

Education

30.2% of the adult population in Barrowford & Western Parishes have no qualifications, but this is below the Pendle and Great Britain averages of 44.1% and 35.8% respectively. The area has a greater proportion of the population with higher level qualifications than compared to Pendle

and Great Britain. 25.8% of the Barrowford & Western Parishes population have higher level qualifications, compared to 13.7% in Pendle and 20.4% in Great Britain.