

# 2011 Census results



## People and Population Profile Cheshire West and Chester

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## Introduction

This profile is one of six themed profiles which show 2011 Census results. There are five profiles which focus on particular topics and a sixth 'overview profile' which brings together all the key results from the 2011 Census for the chosen geography. The profiles are:

- Overview
- Economy
- Environment
- Health and Wellbeing
- Housing
- People and Population.

Profiles are available for a range of geographies including Cheshire and Warrington authorities, wards and lower super output areas.

They have been produced in partnership by the Local Authorities in Cheshire and Warrington as part of a suite of products to help inform people of the main results from the 2011 Census.

The full range of 2011 Census products produced by the partnership includes (for each of the Local Authorities):

- A 2011 Census Ward Atlas with maps and tables comparing and ranking wards
- A report comparing change between the results of the 2001 and 2011 Census
- A range of Spotlight reports (detailed themed reports due in 2014).

The 2011 Census products and 2011 Census tables are available via:

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### **Guidance note on small numbers**

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) used a process called statistical disclosure control to ensure no individuals could be identified in any published 2011 Census tables. ONS swapped some Census records between different areas to protect information supplied by individuals. In practice, this means where a result is a small number, there is an uncertainty as to whether this is a true value.

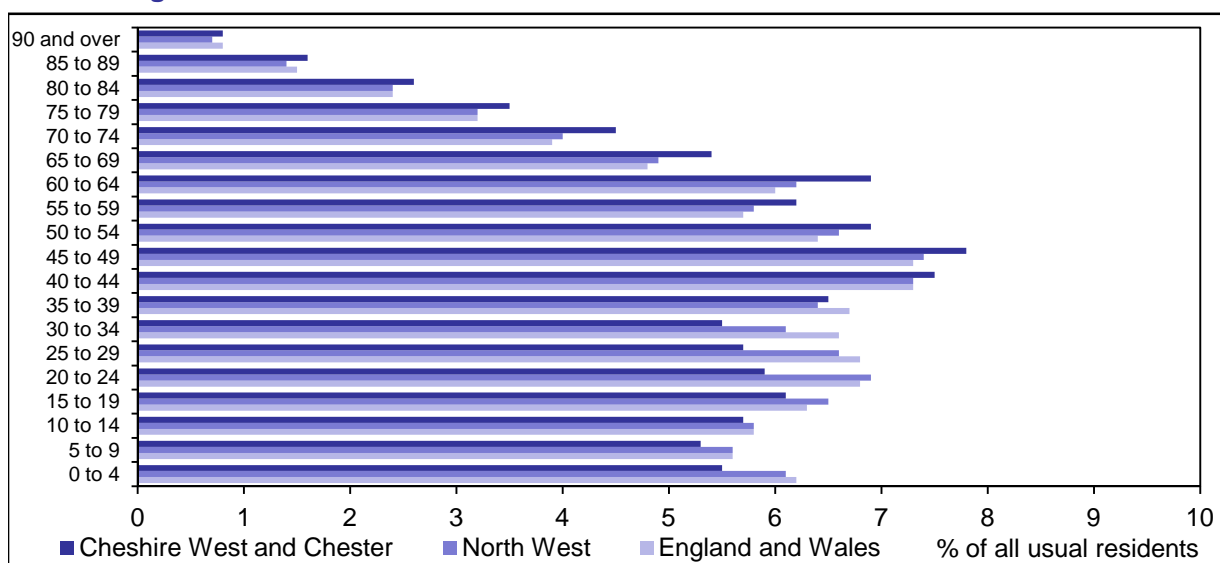
## Age of usual residents

This table shows the number of usual residents in each age group. For 2011 Census purposes, a usual resident of the UK is anyone who, on census day, was in the UK and had stayed or intended to stay in the UK for a period of 12 months or more, or had a permanent UK address and was outside the UK and intended to be outside the UK for less than 12 months.

**Table 1: Age - All usual residents**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
0 to 4	18,050	5.5	432,091	6.1	3,496,750	6.2
5 to 9	17,443	5.3	392,166	5.6	3,135,711	5.6
10 to 14	18,737	5.7	412,407	5.8	3,258,677	5.8
15 to 19	20,105	6.1	456,837	6.5	3,539,385	6.3
20 to 24	19,511	5.9	489,640	6.9	3,807,245	6.8
25 to 29	18,796	5.7	466,582	6.6	3,836,609	6.8
30 to 34	18,085	5.5	429,685	6.1	3,683,915	6.6
35 to 39	21,296	6.5	450,049	6.4	3,732,161	6.7
40 to 44	24,677	7.5	514,802	7.3	4,099,089	7.3
45 to 49	25,698	7.8	522,351	7.4	4,100,526	7.3
50 to 54	22,851	6.9	465,140	6.6	3,601,694	6.4
55 to 59	20,573	6.2	409,628	5.8	3,183,915	5.7
60 to 64	22,686	6.9	439,644	6.2	3,377,162	6.0
65 to 69	17,832	5.4	342,240	4.9	2,674,161	4.8
70 to 74	14,950	4.5	285,502	4.0	2,178,672	3.9
75 to 79	11,683	3.5	227,350	3.2	1,777,547	3.2
80 to 84	8,704	2.6	167,246	2.4	1,338,005	2.4
85 to 89	5,215	1.6	99,316	1.4	825,671	1.5
90 and over	2,716	0.8	49,501	0.7	429,017	0.8
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents	329,608		7,052,177		56,075,912	

**Chart 1: Age - All usual residents**



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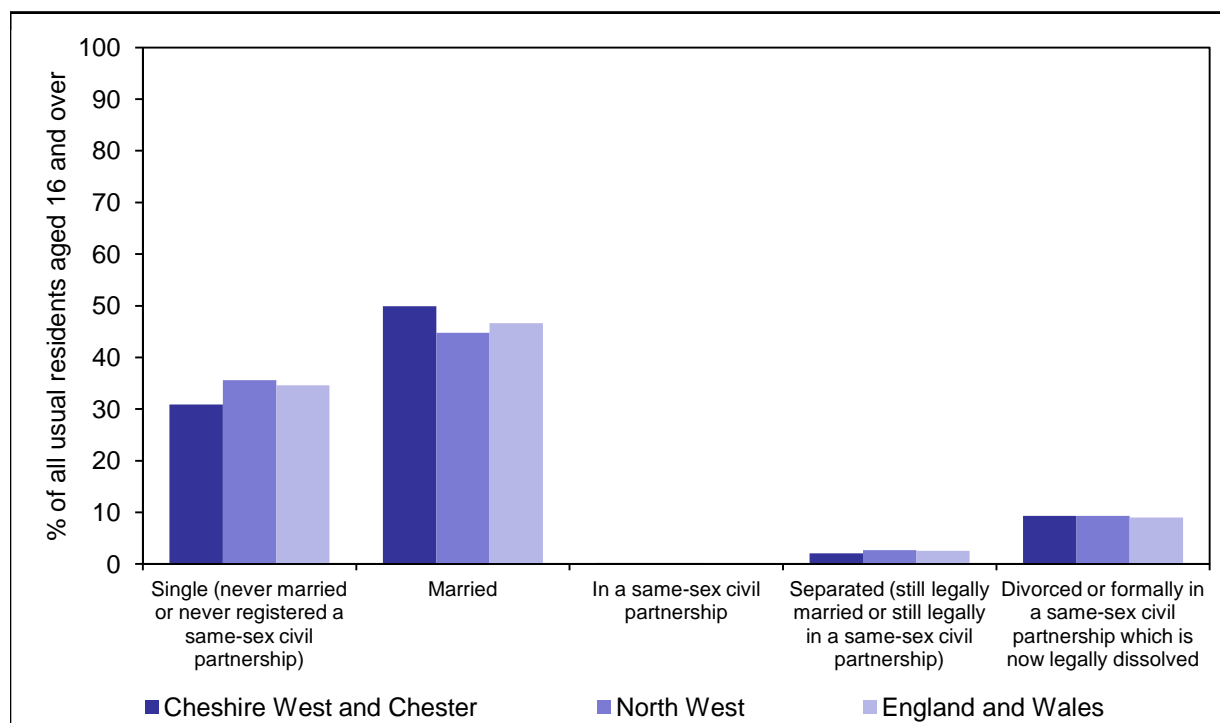
## Marital and civil partnership status

This table shows the number and percentage of usual residents aged 16 and over by their marital / civil partnership status. This table does not show people's living arrangements, information on this can be found on the next page.

**Table 2: Marital and civil partnership status - All usual residents aged 16 and over**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Single (never married or never registered a same-sex civil partnership)	83,980	30.9	2,040,367	35.6	15,730,275	34.6
Married	135,483	49.9	2,563,427	44.8	21,196,684	46.6
In a same-sex civil partnership	428	0.2	11,188	0.2	104,942	0.2
Separated (still legally married or still legally in a same-sex civil partnership)	5,638	2.1	152,447	2.7	1,195,882	2.6
Divorced or formally in a same-sex civil partnership which is now legally dissolved	25,167	9.3	532,490	9.3	4,099,330	9.0
Widowed or surviving partner from a same-sex civil partnership	20,777	7.7	427,710	7.5	3,169,667	7.0
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents aged 16 and over	271,473		5,727,629		45,496,780	

**Chart 2: Marital and civil partnership status - All usual residents aged 16 and over**



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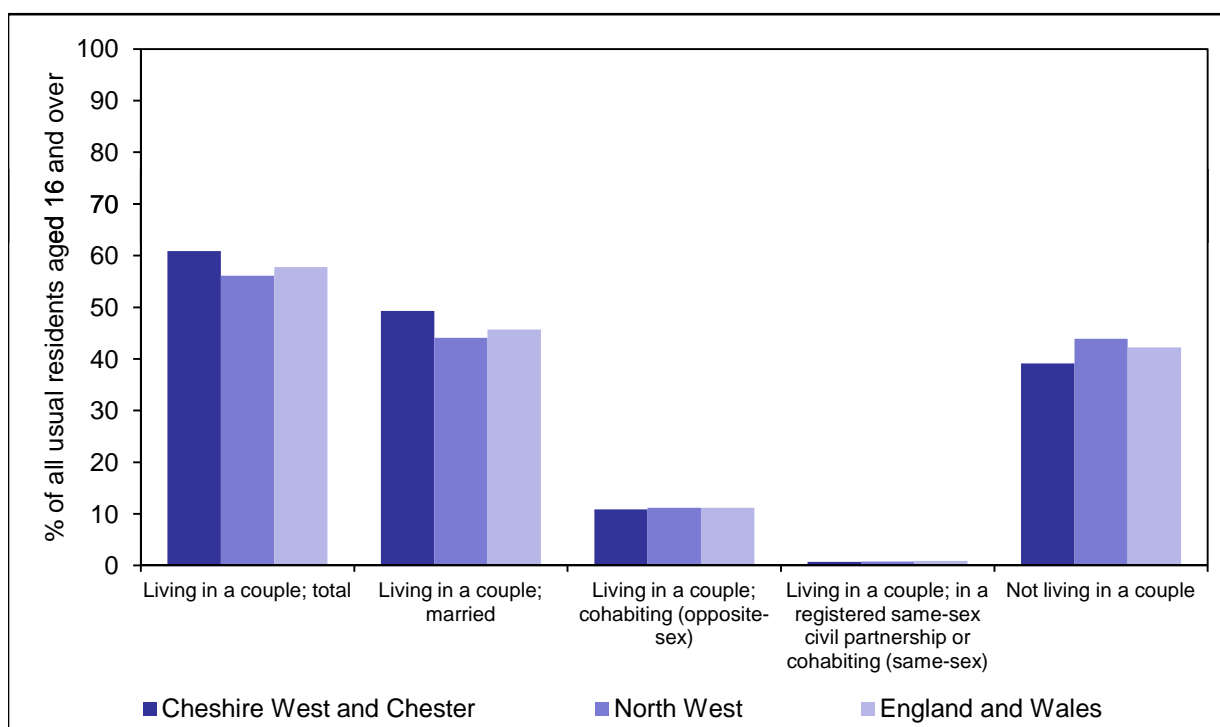
## Living arrangements

This table shows the number and percentage of usual residents aged 16 and over by their living arrangements.

**Table 3: Living arrangements - All usual residents aged 16 and over**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Living in a couple; total	163,364	60.9	3,145,130	56.1	25,739,400	57.8
Living in a couple; married	132,336	49.3	2,472,767	44.1	20,355,316	45.7
Living in a couple; cohabiting (opposite-sex)	29,193	10.9	627,677	11.2	4,996,164	11.2
Living in a couple; in a registered same-sex civil partnership or cohabiting (same-sex)	1,835	0.7	44,686	0.8	387,920	0.9
Not living in a couple	104,844	39.1	2,460,958	43.9	18,793,750	42.2
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents aged 16 and over	268,208		5,606,088		44,533,150	

**Chart 3: Living arrangements - All usual residents aged 16 and over**



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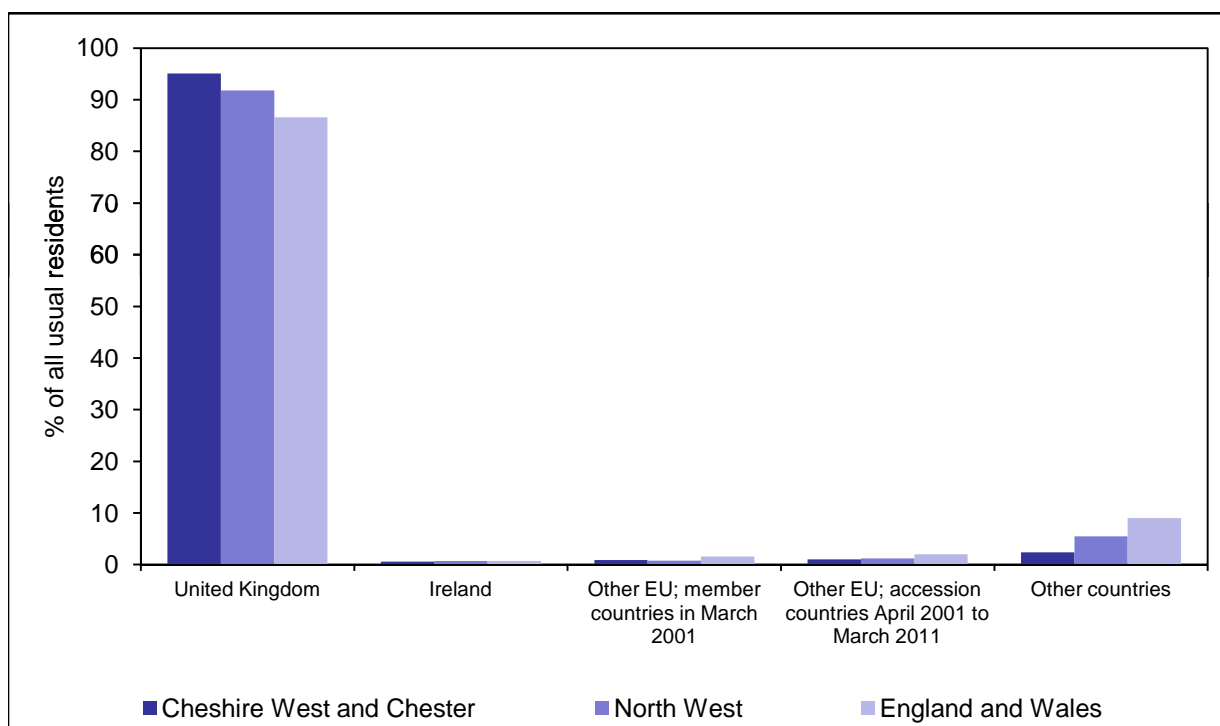
## Country of birth

This table shows the country of birth of all usual residents. Further breakdowns are available in the 2011 Census table KS204.

**Table 4: Country of birth - All usual residents**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
United Kingdom	313,621	95.1	6,474,945	91.8	48,570,902	86.6
Ireland	1,932	0.6	48,456	0.7	407,357	0.7
Other EU; member countries in March 2001	2,931	0.9	58,912	0.8	921,251	1.6
Other EU; accession countries April 2001 to March 2011	3,249	1.0	85,057	1.2	1,114,368	2.0
Other countries	7,875	2.4	384,807	5.5	5,062,034	9.0
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents	329,608		7,052,177		56,075,912	

**Chart 4: Country of birth - All usual residents**



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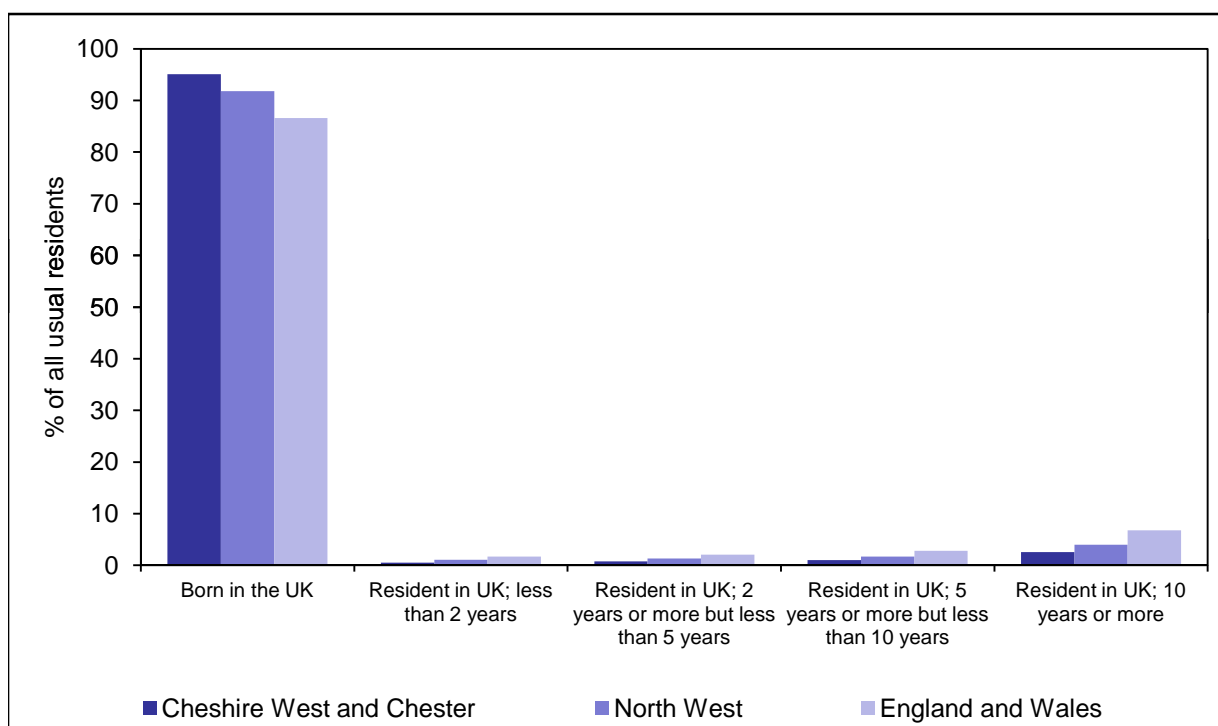
## Length of residency in the UK

This table shows how long all residents have lived in the UK.

**Table 5: Length of residency in the UK - All usual residents**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Born in the UK	313,621	95.1	6,474,945	91.8	48,570,902	86.6
Resident in UK; less than 2 years	1,531	0.5	74,516	1.1	955,481	1.7
Resident in UK; 2 years or more but less than 5 years	2,644	0.8	95,147	1.3	1,199,710	2.1
Resident in UK; 5 years or more but less than 10 years	3,160	1.0	122,395	1.7	1,557,353	2.8
Resident in UK; 10 years or more	8,652	2.6	285,174	4.0	3,792,466	6.8
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents	329,608		7,052,177		56,075,912	

**Chart 5: Length of residency in the UK - All usual residents**



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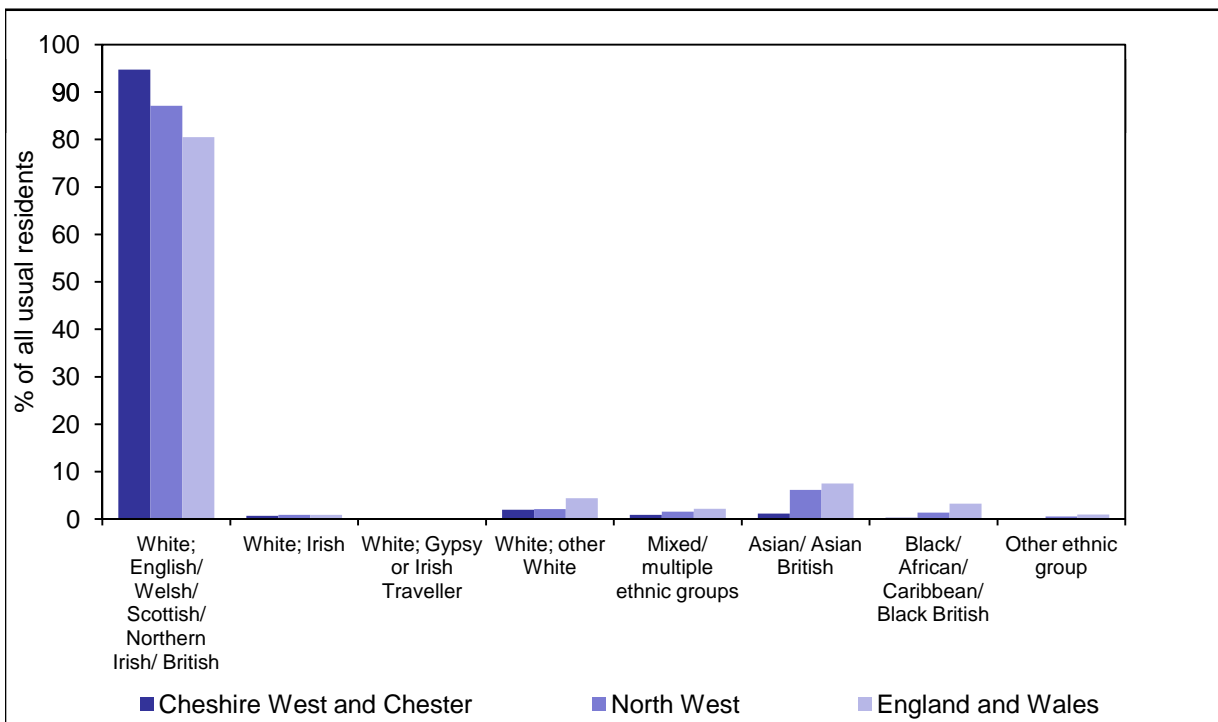
## Ethnic group

This table shows the ethnic group of all usual residents. Further breakdowns are available in the 2011 Census table KS201. There are also a number of other 2011 Census tables available which show results for key questions by ethnic group.

**Table 6: Ethnic group - All usual residents**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
White; English/ Welsh/ Scottish/ Northern Irish/ British	312,013	94.7	6,141,069	87.1	45,134,686	80.5
White; Irish	2,337	0.7	64,930	0.9	531,087	0.9
White; Gypsy or Irish Traveller	213	0.1	4,147	0.1	57,680	0.1
White; other White	6,462	2.0	151,570	2.1	2,485,942	4.4
Mixed/ multiple ethnic groups	3,050	0.9	110,891	1.6	1,224,400	2.2
Asian/ Asian British	4,097	1.2	437,485	6.2	4,213,531	7.5
Black/ African/ Caribbean/ Black British	908	0.3	97,869	1.4	1,864,890	3.3
Other ethnic group	528	0.2	44,216	0.6	563,696	1.0
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents	329,608		7,052,177		56,075,912	

**Chart 6: Ethnic group - All usual residents**



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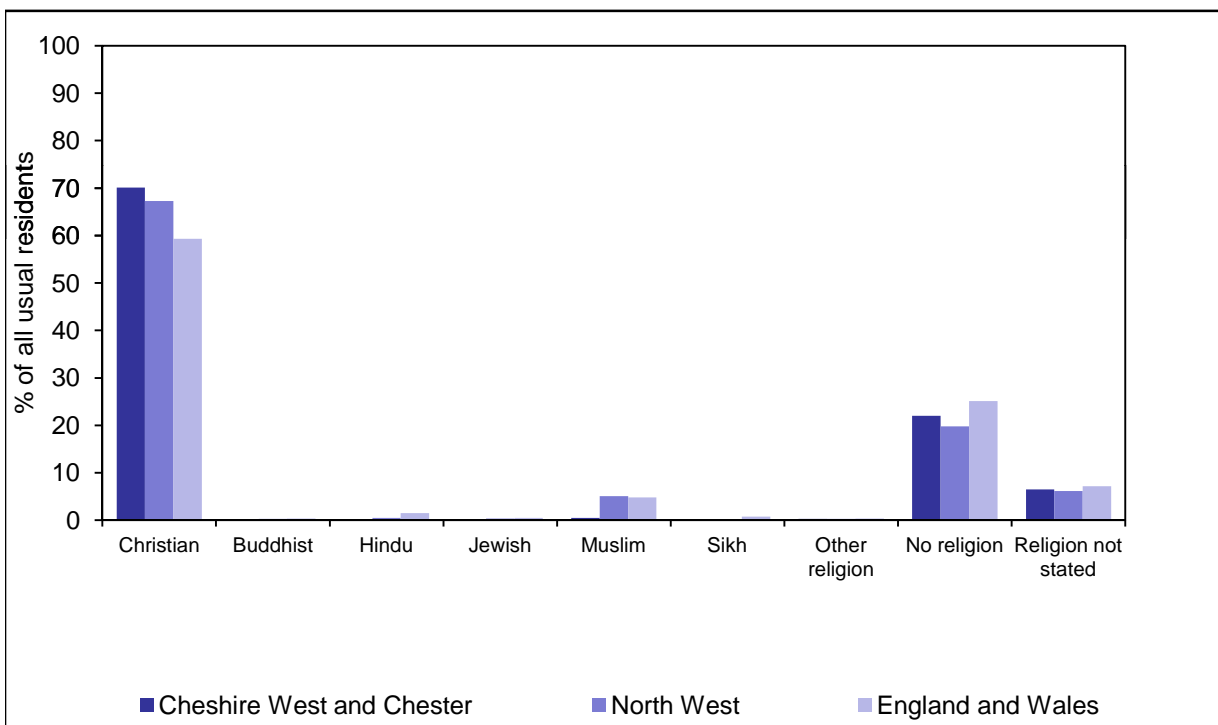
## Religion

This table shows the religion of all usual residents.

**Table 7: Religion - All usual residents**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Christian	231,126	70.1	4,742,860	67.3	33,243,175	59.3
Buddhist	776	0.2	20,695	0.3	247,743	0.4
Hindu	653	0.2	38,259	0.5	816,633	1.5
Jewish	250	0.1	30,417	0.4	263,346	0.5
Muslim	1,686	0.5	356,458	5.1	2,706,066	4.8
Sikh	195	0.1	8,857	0.1	423,158	0.8
Other religion	854	0.3	19,166	0.3	240,530	0.4
No religion	72,649	22.0	1,397,916	19.8	14,097,229	25.1
Religion not stated	21,419	6.5	437,549	6.2	4,038,032	7.2
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents	329,608		7,052,177		56,075,912	

**Chart 7: Religion - All usual residents**



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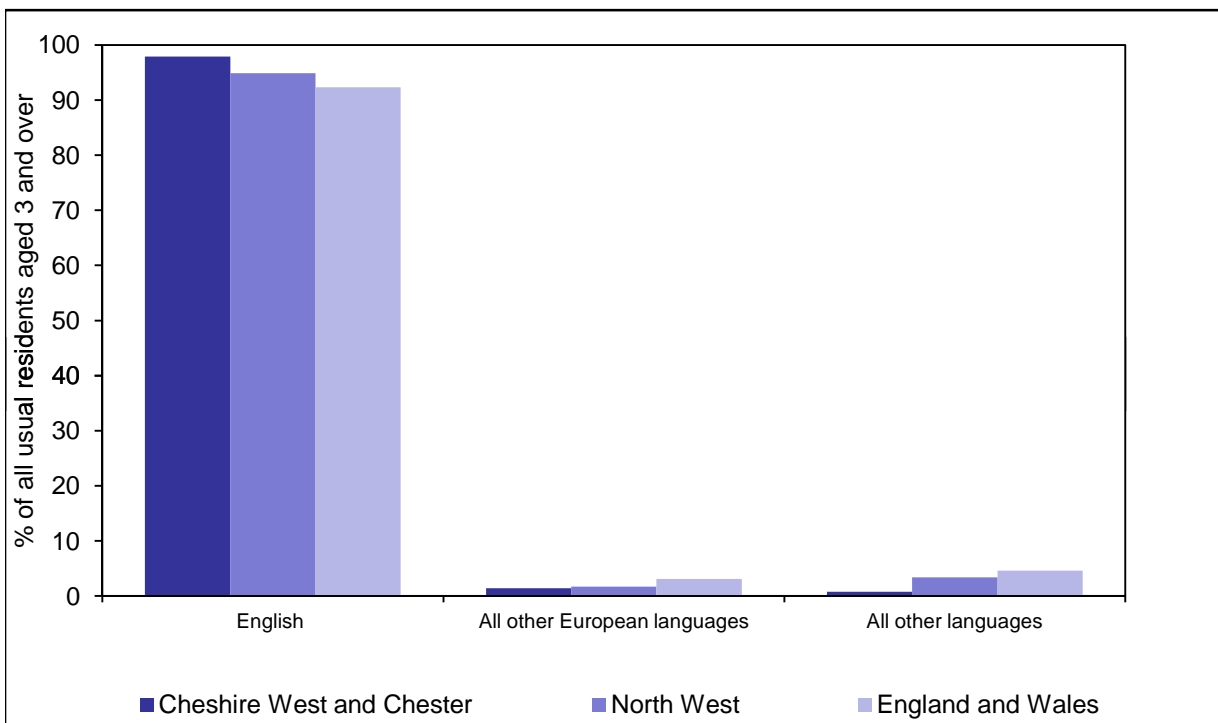
## Main language

This table shows the main language of all usual residents aged 3 and over. Further breakdowns are available in the 2011 Census table QS204.

**Table 8: Main language - All usual residents aged 3 and over**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
English	312,137	97.9	6,446,819	94.9	49,808,185	92.3
All other European languages	4,372	1.4	112,837	1.7	1,670,375	3.1
All other languages	2,433	0.8	232,251	3.4	2,482,891	4.6
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents aged 3 and over	318,942		6,791,907		53,961,451	

**Chart 8: Main language - All usual residents aged 3 and over**



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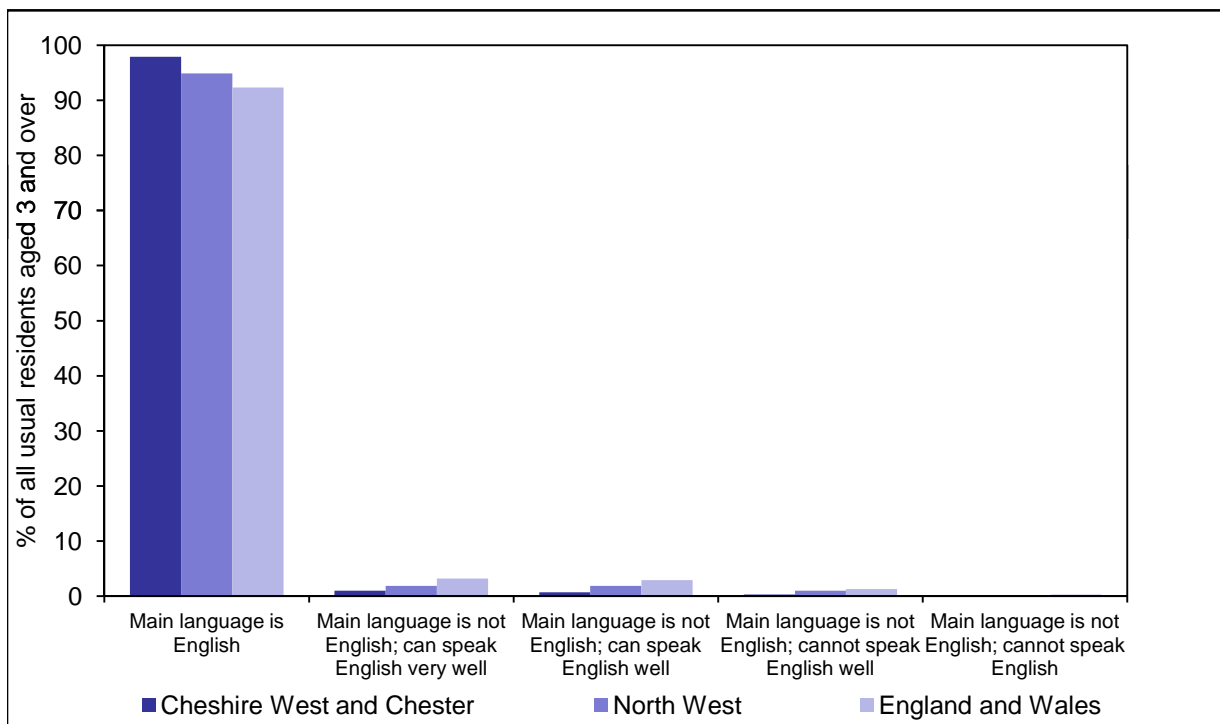
## Proficiency in English

This table shows the proficiency in English of all usual residents aged 3 and over.

**Table 9: Proficiency in English - All usual residents aged 3 and over**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Main language is English	312,137	97.9	6,446,819	94.9	49,808,185	92.3
Main language is not English; can speak English very well	3,240	1.0	131,068	1.9	1,722,197	3.2
Main language is not English; can speak English well	2,390	0.7	130,578	1.9	1,567,919	2.9
Main language is not English; cannot speak English well	1,003	0.3	69,718	1.0	725,639	1.3
Main language is not English; cannot speak English	172	0.1	13,724	0.2	137,511	0.3
<b>Base for table</b>	<b>Cheshire West and Chester</b>		<b>North West</b>		<b>England and Wales</b>	
All usual residents aged 3 and over	318,942		6,791,907		53,961,451	

**Chart 9: Proficiency in English - All usual residents aged 3 and over**



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## Highest level of qualifications

This table shows the highest level of qualifications of usual residents aged 16 and over. Where:  
**Level 1 qualifications:** 1-4 O Levels/CSE/GCSEs (any grades), NVQ Level 1, Foundation GNVQ or equivalent

**Level 2 qualifications:** 5+ O Level (Passes)/CSEs (Grade 1)/GCSEs (Grades A\*-C), NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, BTEC First/General Diploma or equivalent

### Apprenticeship

**Level 3 qualifications:** 2+ A Levels/VCEs, 4+ AS Levels, NVQ Level 3, Advanced GNVQ, BTEC National or equivalent

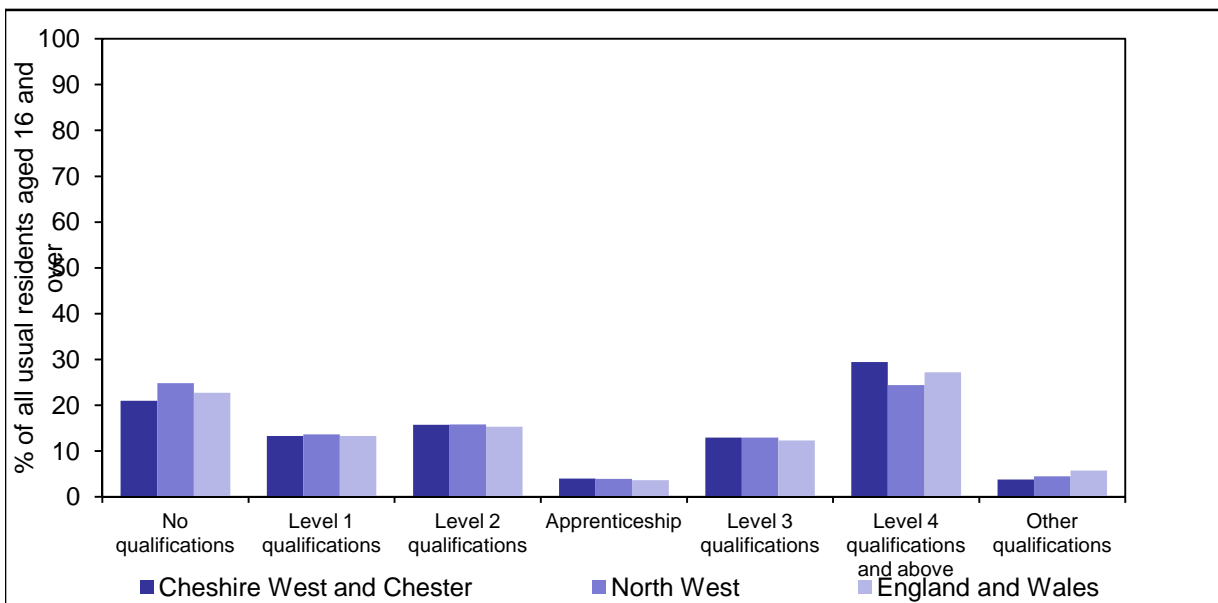
**Level 4+ qualifications:** Degree (for example BA, BSc), Higher Degree (for example MA, PhD, PGCE), NVQ Level 4-5, HNC, HND, BTEC Higher level, professional qualifications (for example teaching, nursing, accountancy) or equivalent

**Other qualifications:** Vocational/work-related qualifications, foreign qualifications.

**Table 10: Highest level of qualifications - All usual residents aged 16 and over**

	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
No qualifications	56,940	21.0	1,419,620	24.8	10,307,327	22.7
Level 1 qualifications	36,010	13.3	777,561	13.6	6,047,384	13.3
Level 2 qualifications	42,655	15.7	905,338	15.8	6,938,433	15.3
Apprenticeship	10,727	4.0	225,633	3.9	1,631,777	3.6
Level 3 qualifications	35,042	12.9	740,829	12.9	5,617,802	12.3
Level 4 qualifications and above	79,712	29.4	1,399,038	24.4	12,383,477	27.2
Other qualifications	10,387	3.8	259,610	4.5	2,570,580	5.7
Base for table	Cheshire West and Chester		North West		England and Wales	
All usual residents aged 16 and over	271,473		5,727,629		45,496,780	

**Chart 10: Highest level of qualifications - All usual residents aged 16 and over**



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