



Failsworth West Ward: Location



Failsworth West Ward: An Introduction

Failsworth West is a mixed tenure area, with homeowners, private landlords and social housing. The ward is home to a number of new housing developments including the Lancaster Club, Failsworth Mill and Dairy Crest sites. Through external funding there has been an increase in community pride, leading to various community initiatives involving harder to reach residents, alley way improvements and maintenance of green space being the main focus.

Failsworth Town Hall sits within Failsworth West and is a hub for community activity, including Lifelong Learning, Failsworth library and the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team. Community groups such as the Failsworth Growing Hub have developed a piece of unused land within the boundary of the town hall through public health funding and run a very successful growing hub for all residents to enjoy. Due to the high number of older people within the community external funding became available to increase activity in the ward, including coffee morning and friend groups.

Also within Failsworth West is the Failsworth precinct, which holds a variety of retail and food outlets, but has been associated with a number of issues within the community through anti-social behaviour. Running through Failsworth is the A62 which is a main route into Manchester from Oldham, which is serviced by many bus routes and Failsworth Metrolink Station is located off Hardman Lane; though this has been a hot spot for anti-social behaviour and an issue for the immediate community.

Current Councillors

Name	Political party
Sandra Ball	Reform UK
Mark Ruthven	Reform UK
Mark Wilkinson	Reform UK

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Ward Profiles: Population



11,350

Total Population



+1,143

Change Since 2011



51.9%

% Female



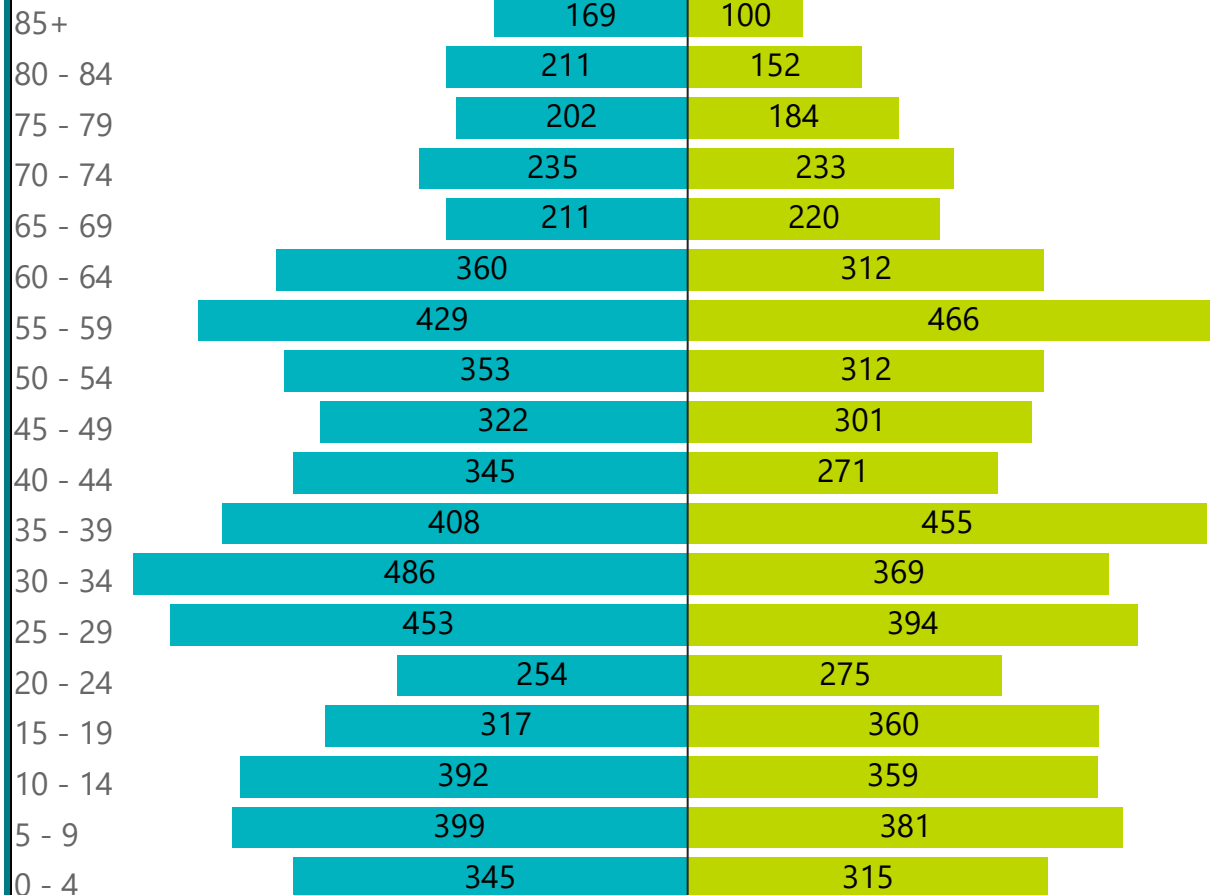
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Median age

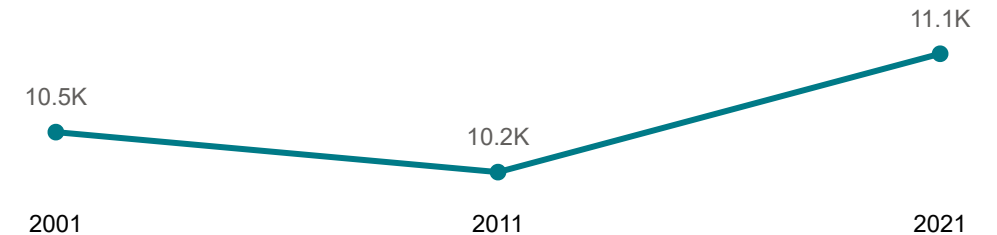


Age Structure Most Recent Year

● Female ● Male



Population by Year



Broad Age Bands

Broad Age Band ● Aged 0 to 15 ● Aged 16 to 64 ● Aged 65+

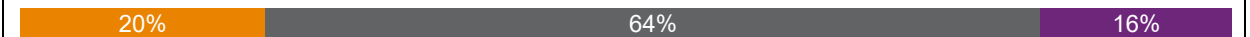
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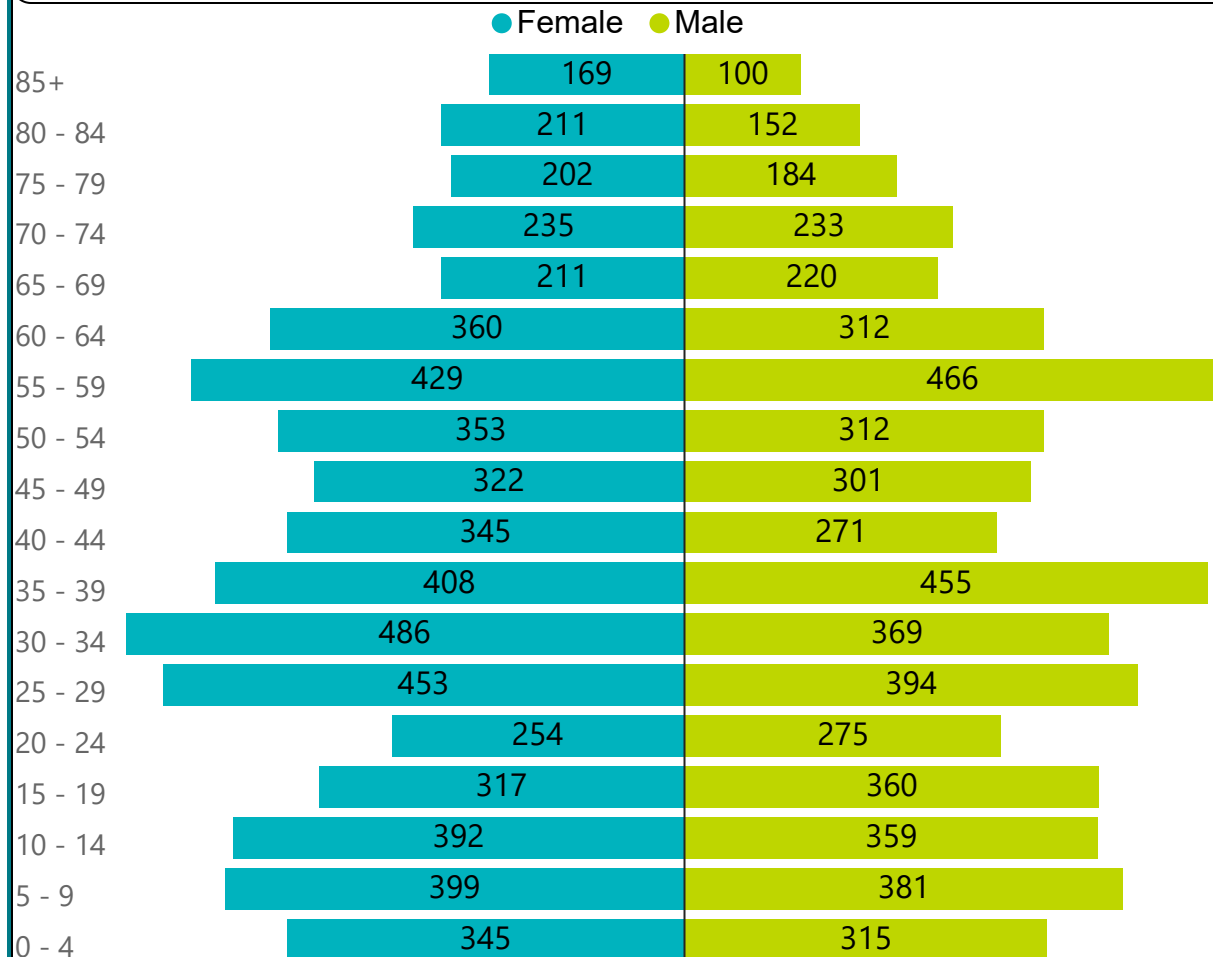
Ward Profiles: Population Change



Select Year for Age Structure

Selected Year

2024



11,350

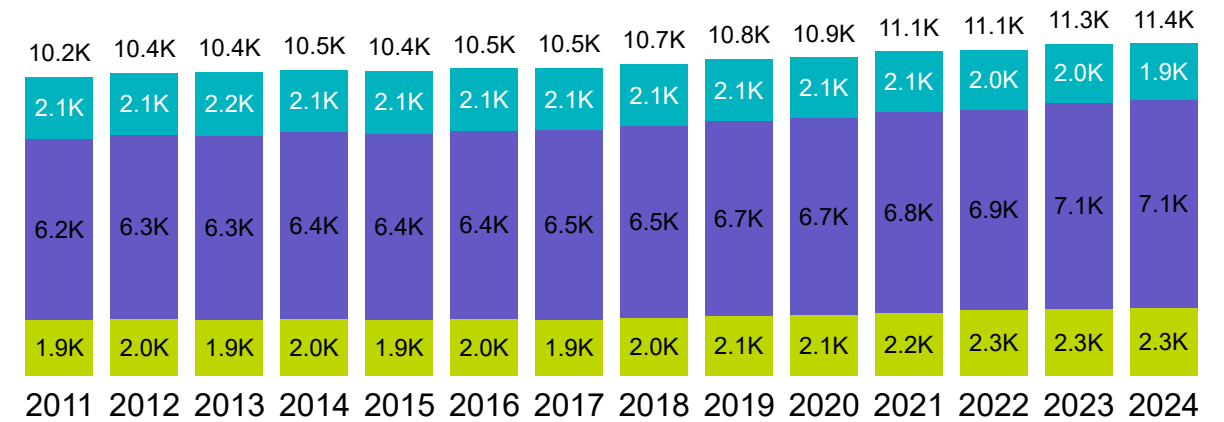
Latest Total Population

+1,143

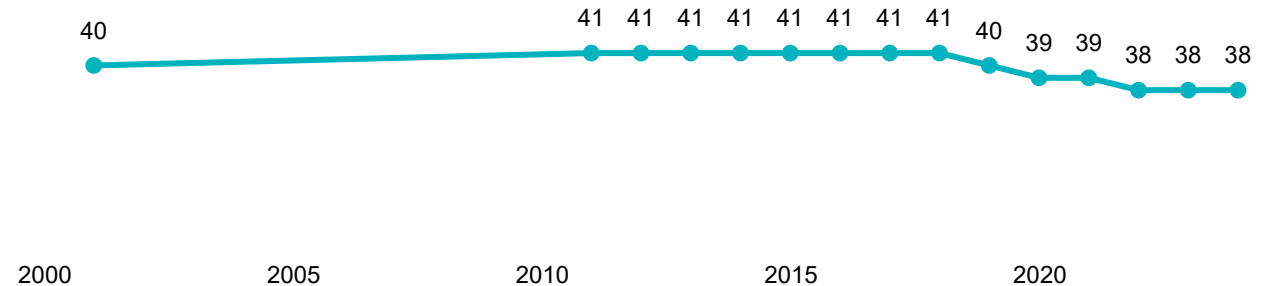
Change Since 2011

Population by Year and Broad Age Group

Age ● Aged 0 to 15 ● Aged 16 to 64 ● Aged 65+



Median Age by Year



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Ward Profiles: Ethnicity



85%

White British 2021

15%

Minority Ethnic Groups 2021

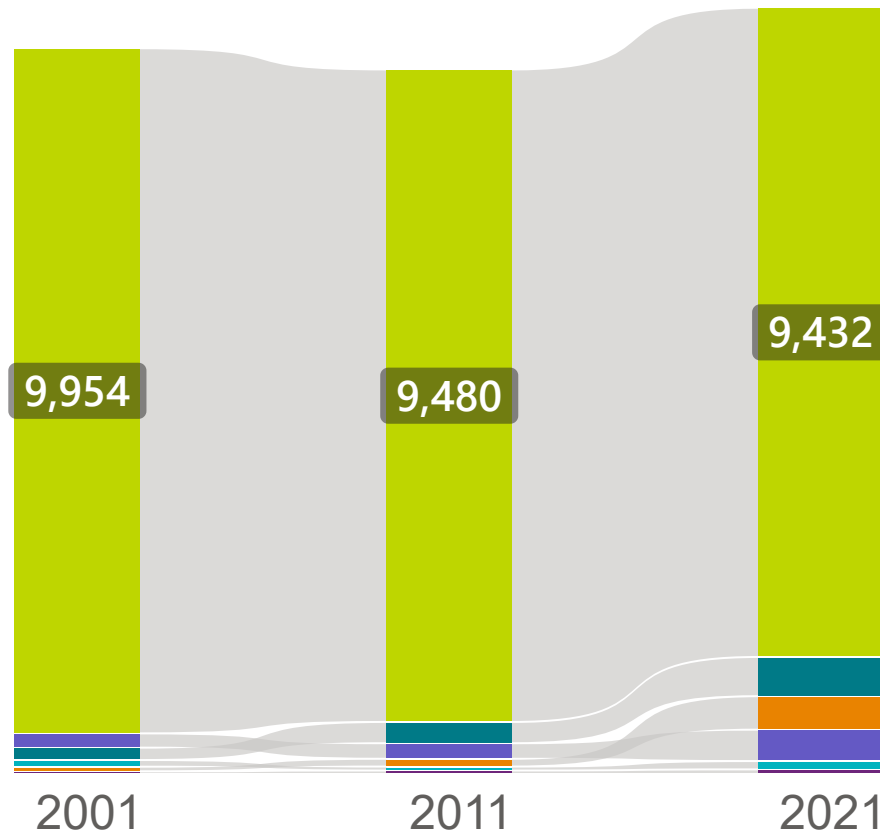
75%

White British School Age 2024

25%

Minority Ethnic Groups School Age 2024

Larger Groups by Year



White: Other White: British Pakistani Other Black Bangladeshi

Large Ethnic Groups: Ward

Group Bangladeshi Black Other Pakistani White: British White: Other



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Greater Manchester



Larger Groups - School Age



Group White: British Other Black White: Other Pakistani Bangladeshi

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Ward Profiles: Health



7

Reception Obesity ward rank (out of 20)

8

Year 6 Obesity ward rank (out of 20)

133

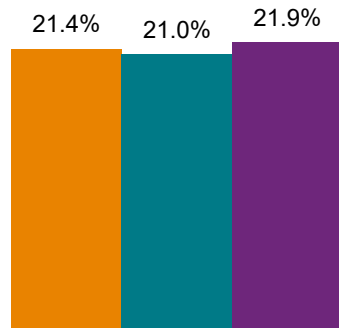
Number of births last year

105

Number of deaths last year

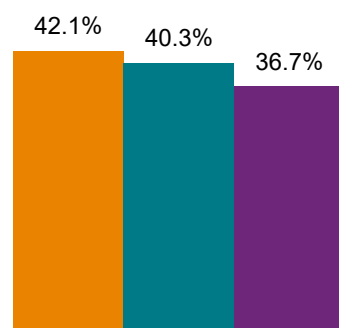
Reception Overweight/obesity

Ward Oldham England



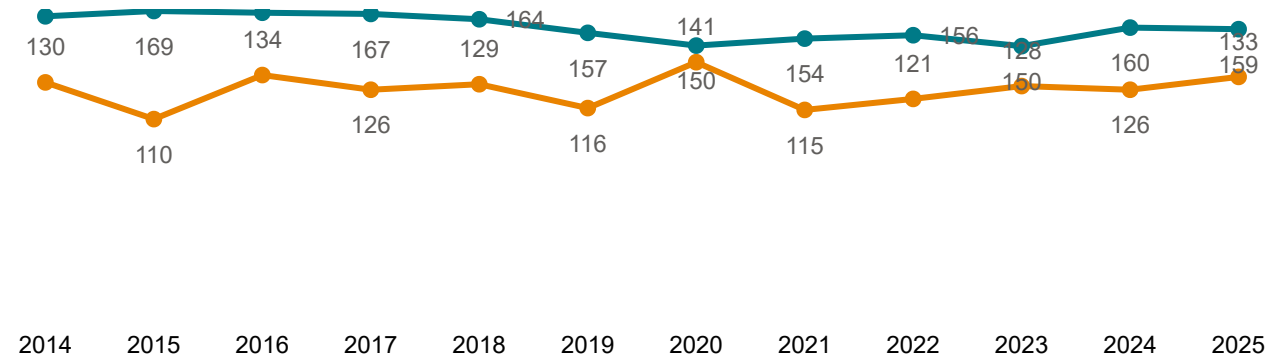
Year 6 Overweight/obesity

Ward Oldham England



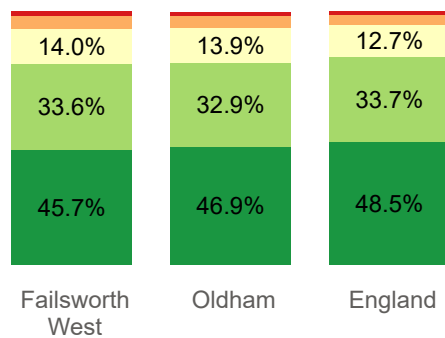
Number of Births by Year

Number of Births Oldham Average



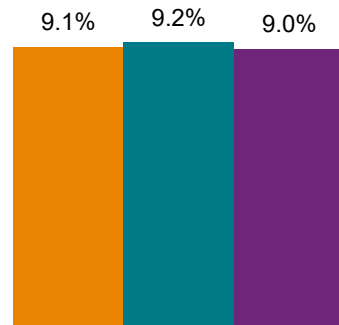
General Health

Very Good Good Fair Bad Very bad



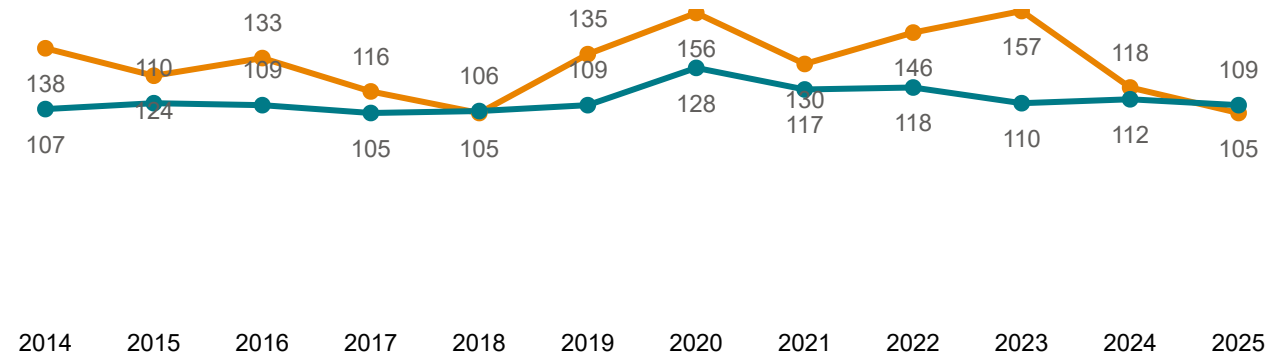
Residents providing unpaid care

Ward Oldham England



Number of Deaths by Year

Ward Oldham Average



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Ward Profiles: Education



59%

Good Level of Development %

41.1

Attainment 8 Average Score GCSE

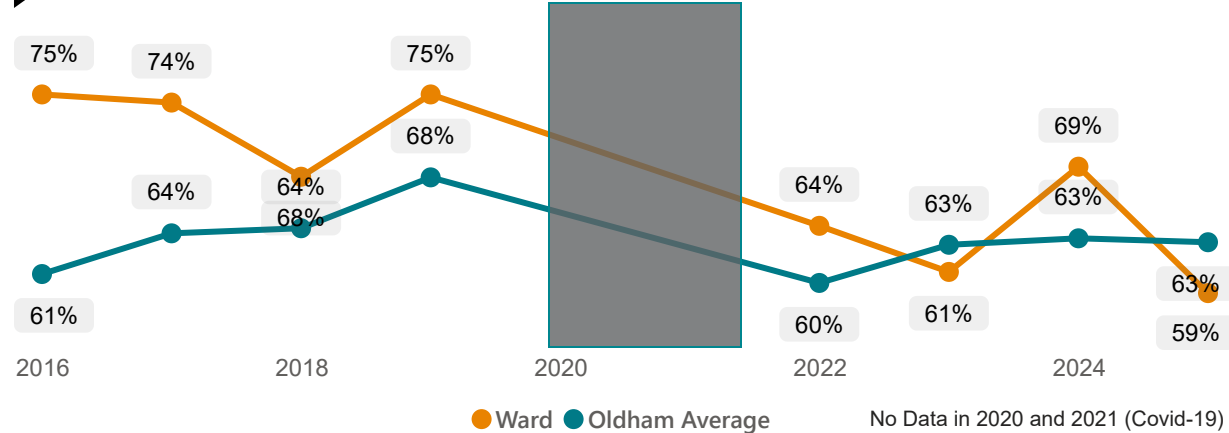
32.1%

KS4 Grades 9-5 English & Maths

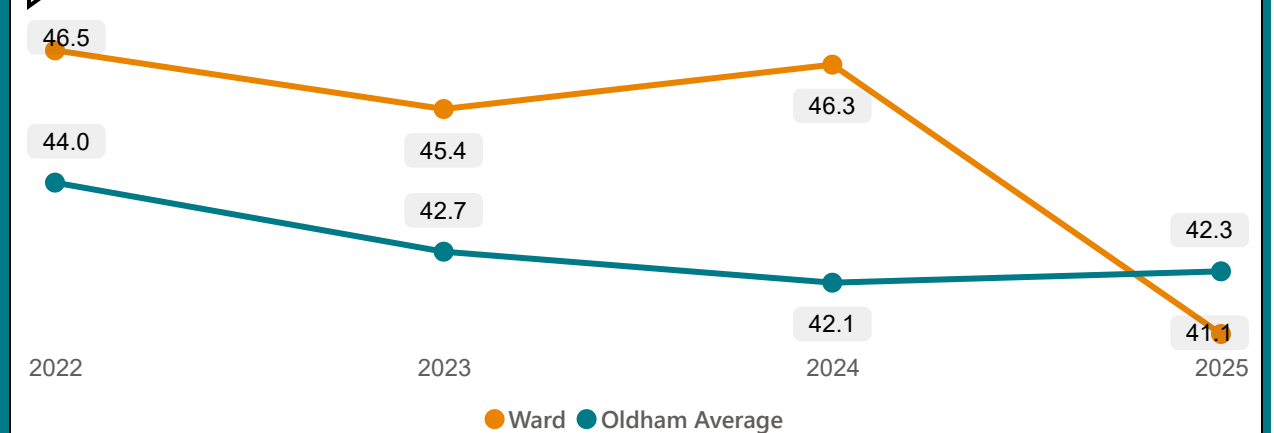
23%

No Qualifications (Aged 16+)

% Achieving Good Level of Development (end of reception)

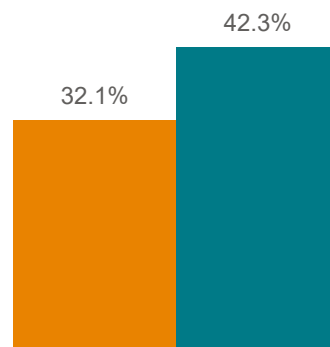


Attainment 8 Average Score



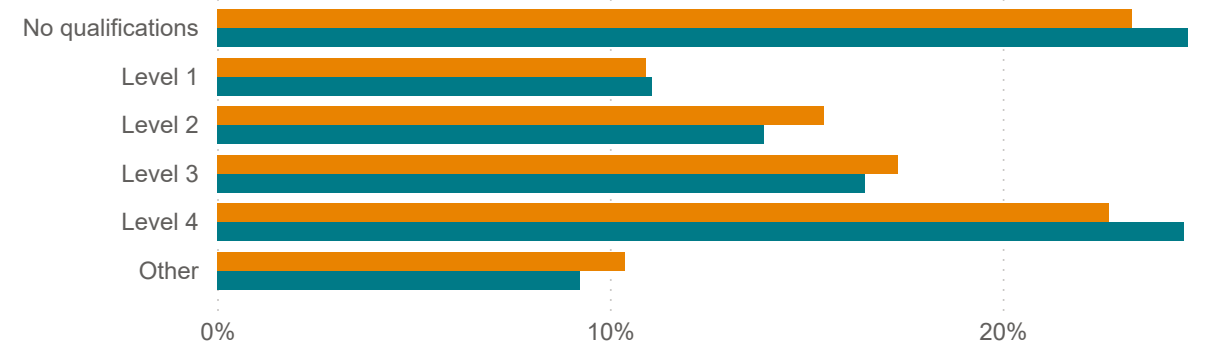
KS4 Grades 9-5 in English & Maths

Ward Average Oldham Average



Highest Level of Qualification 2021

Ward Oldham Average



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Ward Profiles: Economy



4.8%

16-64 Unemployment Rate



10.2%

18-24 Unemployment Rate



3.5%

NEET Rate 16 & 17 Year-Olds



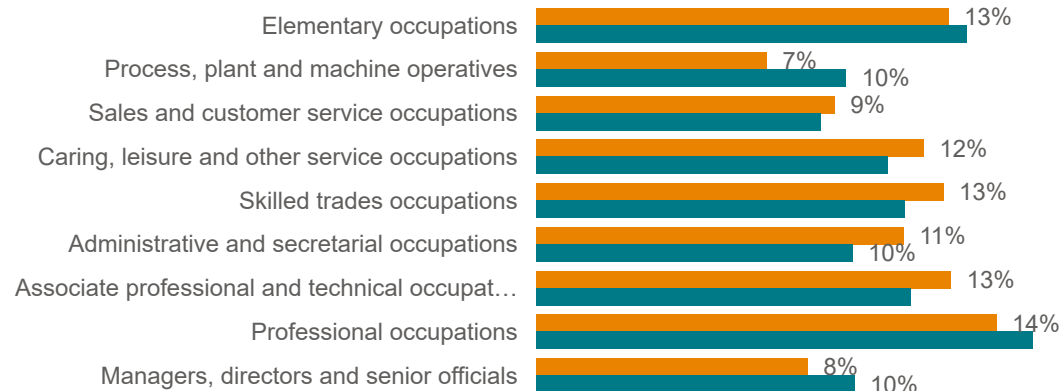
£34,121

Median Equivalised Household Income

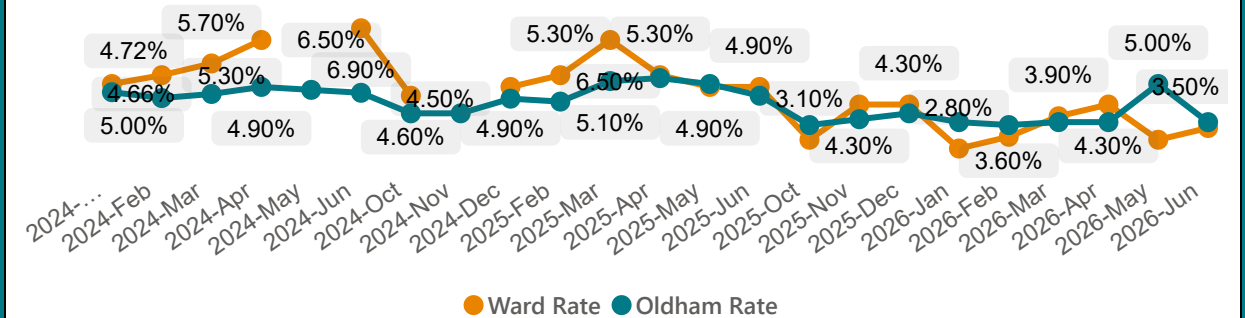


Occupation 2021

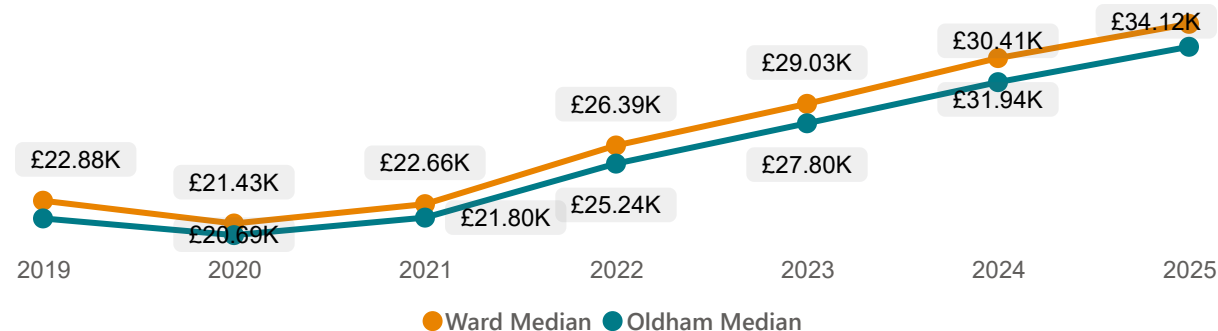
● Ward % ● Oldham %



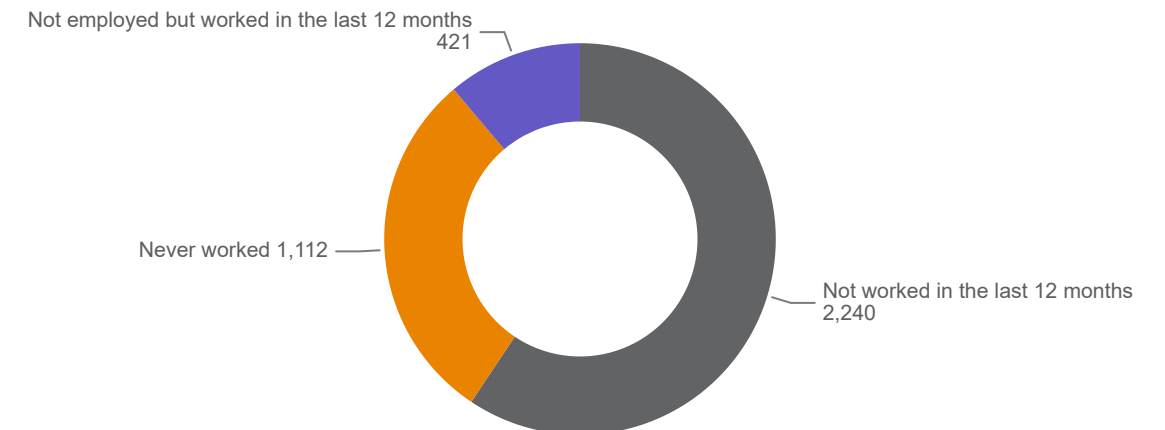
NEET Rate 16 & 17 Year-olds



Median Equivalised Household Income



Unemployment History of those not employed - Census 2021



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Ward Profiles: Housing



£202,500

Median House Price



4%

Overcrowded Households %



19%

Social Housing %



19%

Privately Rented %



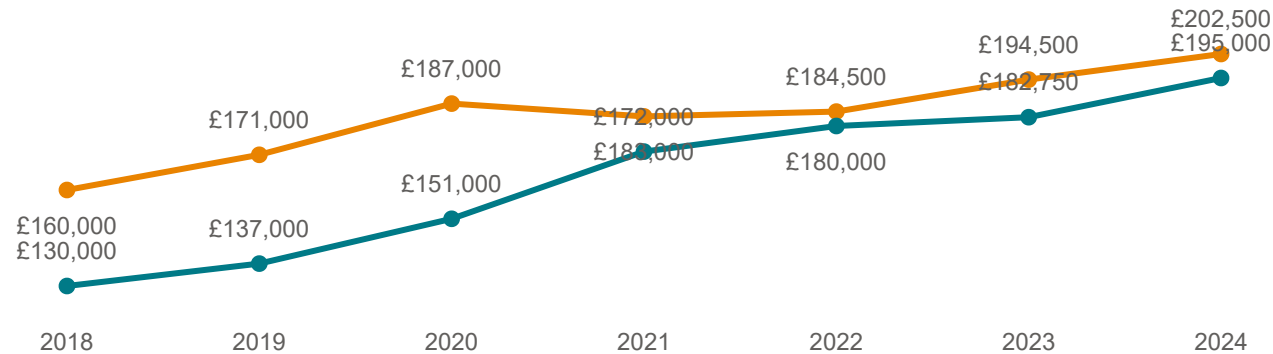
62%

Owner Occupied %

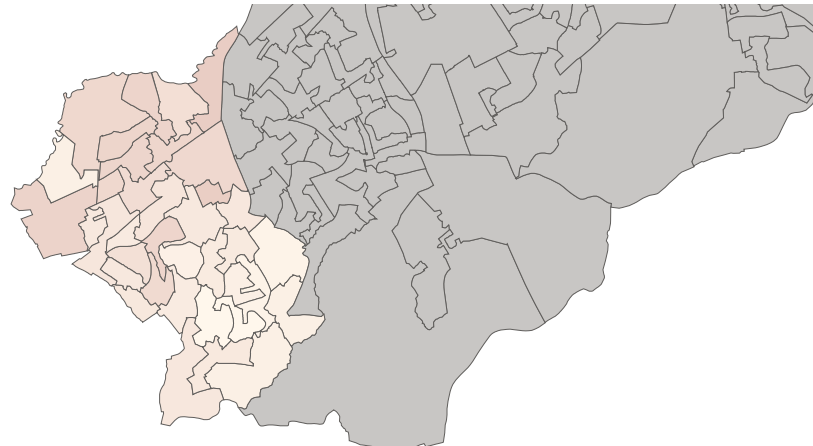


Median House Price

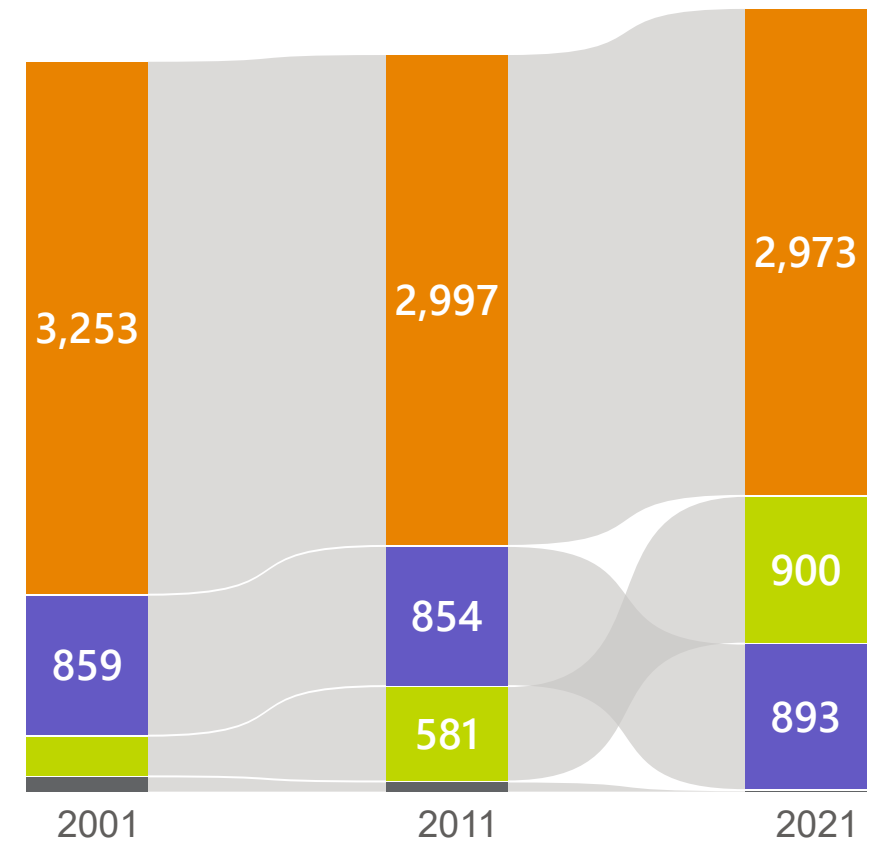
Ward Oldham



Overcrowded Households



Tenure over time



● Social Rented ● Private Rented ● Owner Occupied ● Other

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Ward Profiles: Deprivation



11

IMD Rank of 20 Oldham Wards

1,416

IMD Rank of 6,793 English Wards

1,547

IDACI Rank of 6,793 English Wards

2,173

IDAOPi Rank of 6,793 English Wards

Overall and Domain Ward Rankings

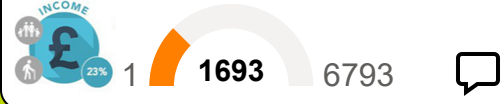
IMD Overall



Health & Disability



Income



Crime



Employment



Barriers to Housing & Services



Education, Skills & Training

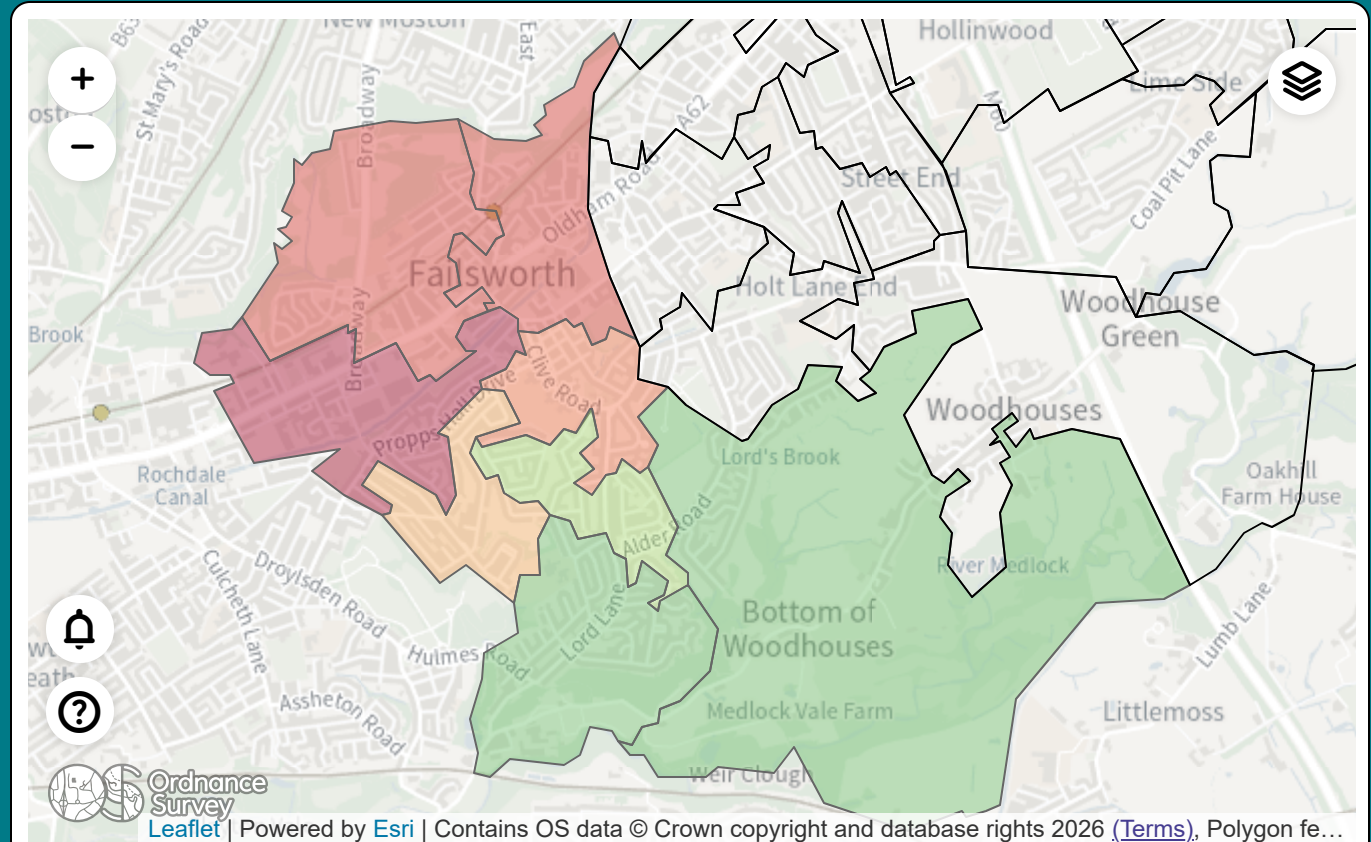


Living Environment



Mapping LSOAs: Choose IMD, Domain or Sub-Domain

IMD Decile 2025



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Ward Profiles: Community & Crime



90%

Registered to Vote

43%

Local Elections Turnout

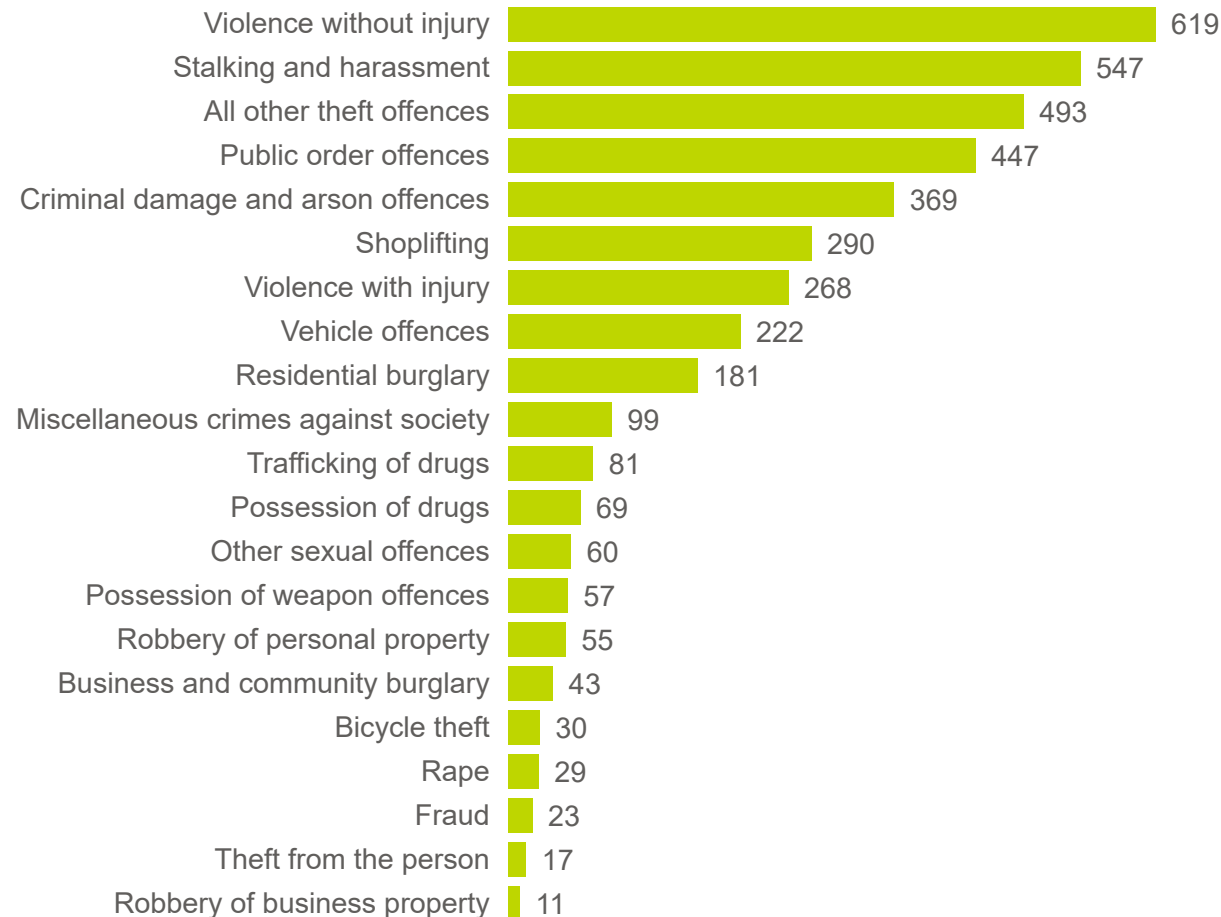
1,337

Reported Crimes per Year 2022-25

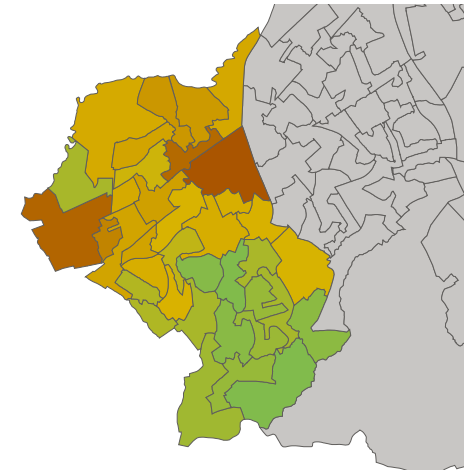
12%

Reported Crimes per year: % of population

Reported Crimes 2022-25 by Category



Reported Crime Rate



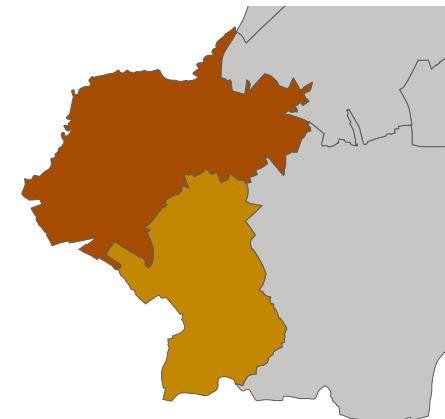
Crime Map Information

The map (and chart to the left) use data on all crimes recorded between 1st April 2023 and 31st March 2025.

The areas of the map are coloured according to the percentage of total crimes recorded in each small area. Lower rates are green, middle rates are orange, and higher rates red.

It is not possible to show background mapping at the moment, but hovering over an area gives the name of the neighbourhood.

Trust



Trust Map Information

The map to the left shows data from [work by the 'Onward' organisation](#) that measures social trust. They surveyed residents, asking if others could be trusted.

Where values are positive (coloured green), people tended to trust more. Negative values (red) are where people tend not to trust others.

Grey areas are mainly or wholly in a different ward. The areas are Middle Super Output Areas (statistical areas)

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Ward Profiles: Summary



Lower Values



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Other Wards

Higher Values

Lower Values

Higher Values



Population change since 2011



Percentage of residents from Minority Ethnic Groups, 2021



Median Age



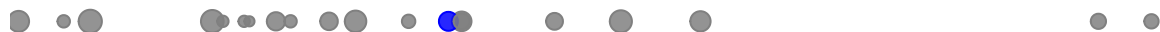
Number of Births Last Year



Overcrowded Households



Median House Price



% of Households in Privately Rented Accommodation, 2021



Unemployment Rate



IMD (Index of Multiple Deprivation) National Rank



No Qualifications 2021



KS4 Grades 9-5 in English & Maths



Reported Crimes 2021-23 as a % of population



Local Elections Turnout %



Year 6 Obesity %



Ward Profiles: Sources & Notes

Uses data aggregated to ward boundaries that came into force in May 2023. See the ['Boundaries' map](#) from our [web mapping service](#) for detail of the boundaries.

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Section	Measure	Data Date	Source Organisation
Population	% Female	2024	ONS
Population	Broad Age Bands	2024	ONS
Population	Change since 2011	2011-2024	ONS
Population	Median Age	2024	ONS
Population	Median Age Time Series	2001-2024	ONS
Population	Population	2024	ONS
Population	Population by census year	2001-2021	ONS
Population	Population by year and broad age group	2011-2024	ONS
Population	Population Pyramid	2024	ONS
Population	Population Pyramid Time Series	2011-2024	ONS
Ethnicity	Larger ethnic groups	2021	ONS
Ethnicity	Larger ethnic groups by year	2001-2021	ONS
Ethnicity	Larger ethnic groups: school age	2024	Oldham Council
Ethnicity	Minority ethnic groups	2021	ONS
Ethnicity	Minority ethnic groups School Age	2026	Oldham Council
Ethnicity	White British ethnicity	2021	ONS
Ethnicity	White British School Age	2026	Oldham Council
Health	Number of Births per Year	2014-2025	ONS
Health	Number of Deaths per Year	2014-2025	ONS
Health - Live Well	General Health	2021	ONS
Health - Live Well	Provision of Unpaid Care	2021	ONS
Health - Start Well	Obesity Reception	2021/22 to 2023/24	NHS
Health - Start Well	Obesity Year 6	2021/22 to 2023/24	NHS
Education	Attainment 8	2025	Oldham Council
Education	GLD	2025	Oldham Council
Education	Highest Level of Qualification	2021	ONS
Education	KS4 Grades 9-5 English & Maths	2025	Oldham Council
Education	No Qualifications	2021	ONS
Economy	Employment History of those not employed	2021	ONS
Economy	Medium Household Income	2025	CACI
Economy	NEET Rate 16&17 year-olds	June 2026	Positive Steps
Economy	Occupation	2021	ONS
Economy	Unemployment 16-64	May 2026	Nomis
Economy	Youth Unemployment 18-24	May 2026	Nomis
Housing	Housing Tenure over time	2021	ONS
Housing	Median House Price (Oldham)	2024	Land Registry
Housing	Overcrowded Households %	2021	ONS
Housing	Overcrowded Households Map	2021	ONS
Housing	Owner Occupied %	2021	ONS
Housing	Privately Rented %	2021	ONS
Housing	Social Housing %	2021	ONS
Deprivation (IMD)	Indices of Deprivation 2025	2025	DHCLG and LGA
Community & Crime	Local Elections Turnout	2023	Oldham Council Elections Service
Community & Crime	Registered to vote	2025	Oldham Council Elections Service
Community & Crime	Reported Crimes by category	2022-2025	GM Police
Community & Crime	Trust Map	2022	Onward