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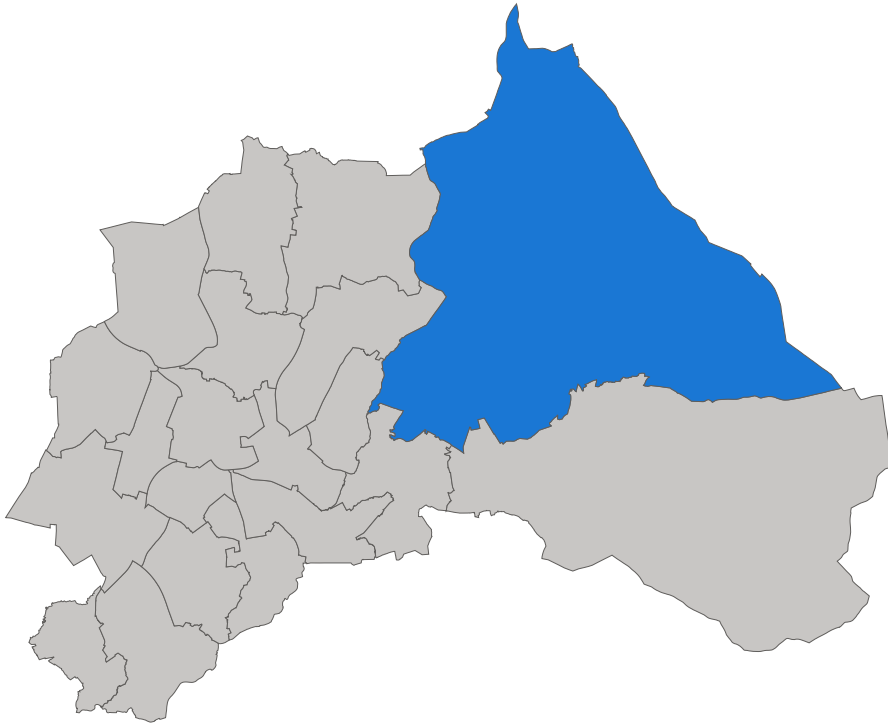
Saddleworth North



Ward Profiles: About the Ward



Saddleworth North Ward: Location



Saddleworth North Ward: An Introduction

Saddleworth North has a largely healthy, prosperous and well educated population with a landscape of valleys and villages. Denshaw, Delph, Dobcross, Diggle, Scouthead and Austerlands all lying within the Saddleworth Parish Council boundary.

Large areas of the ward are characterised by heather moorland with many recreational cycling, walking and riding routes including the Huddersfield Narrow Canal which runs through the villages of Diggle and Dobcross. The ward is a very desirable place to live which is reflected in high property values, but local employment opportunities are limited, leading to concerns that it is becoming a dormitory area for adjoining towns on both sides of the Pennines.

Dispersed settlements, reduction in local village amenities and relatively large aging population have led to concerns around issues of isolation and loneliness amongst its residents, although there is a strong sense of village identity and responsibility with active community and residents associations, voluntary associations, events and festivals throughout the year. The voluntary, faith and community sector, with support from Council and partners are working hard to help residents feel more connected.

Current Councillors

Name	Political party
Pam Byrne	Conservative
Garth Harkness	Liberal Democrats
Ioan Williams	Reform UK

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Ward Profiles: Population



9,850

Total Population



+155

Change Since 2011



51.3%

% Female



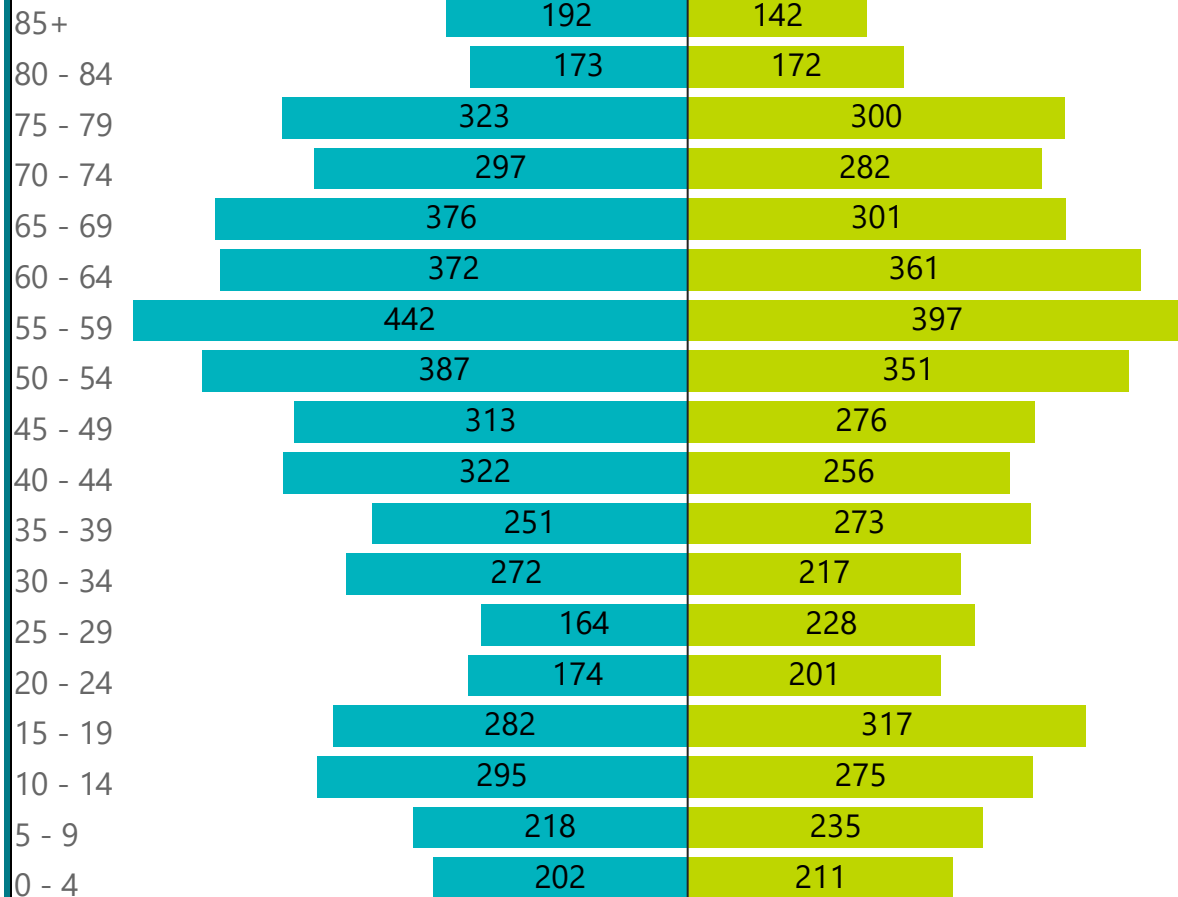
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Median age

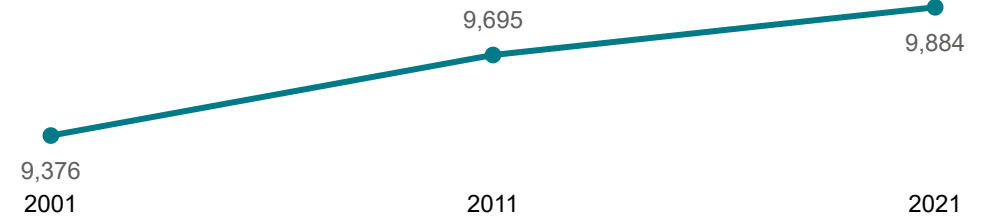


Age Structure Most Recent Year

● Female ● Male



Population by Year



Broad Age Bands

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

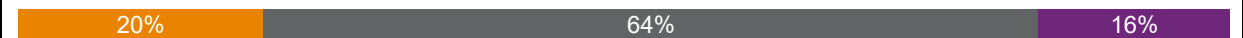
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Ward Profiles: Population Change

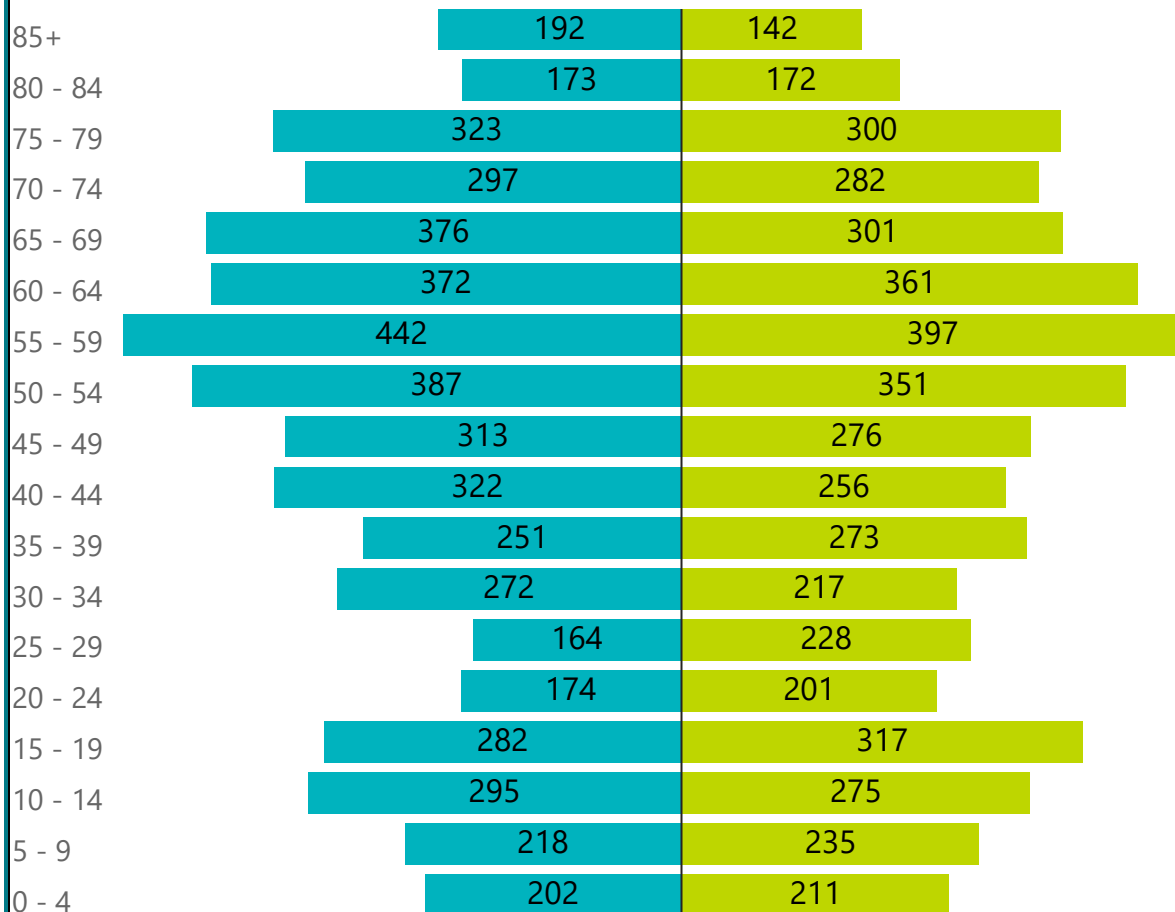


Select Year for Age Structure

Selected Year

2024

Female Male



9,850

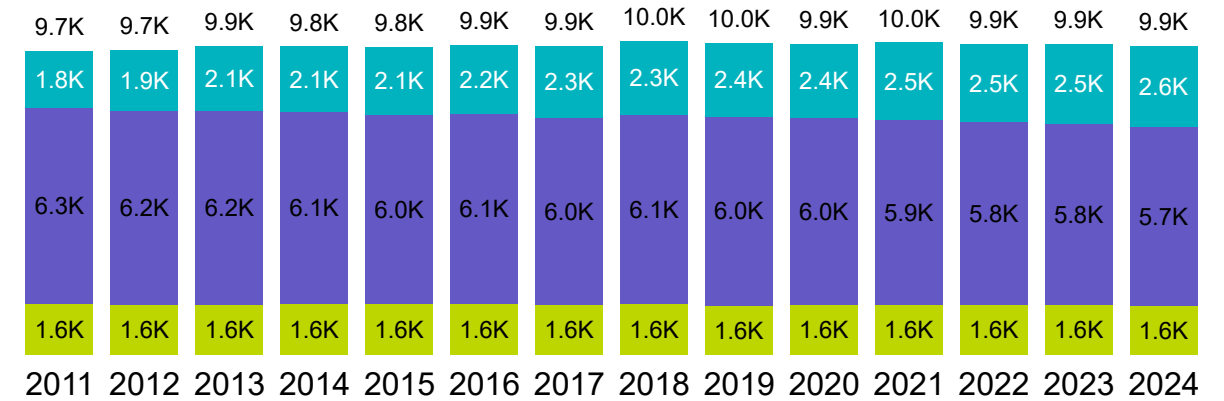
Latest Total Population

+155

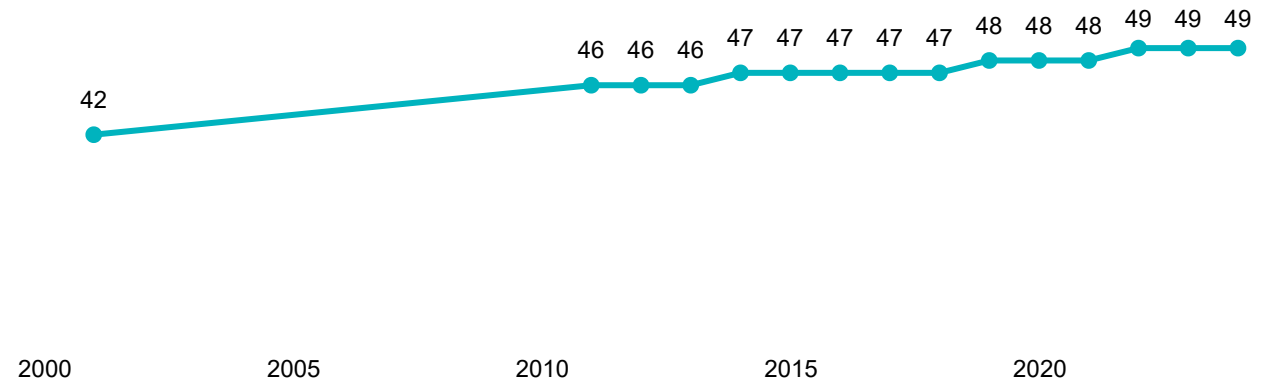
Change Since 2011

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



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95%

White British 2021

5%

Minority Ethnic Groups 2021

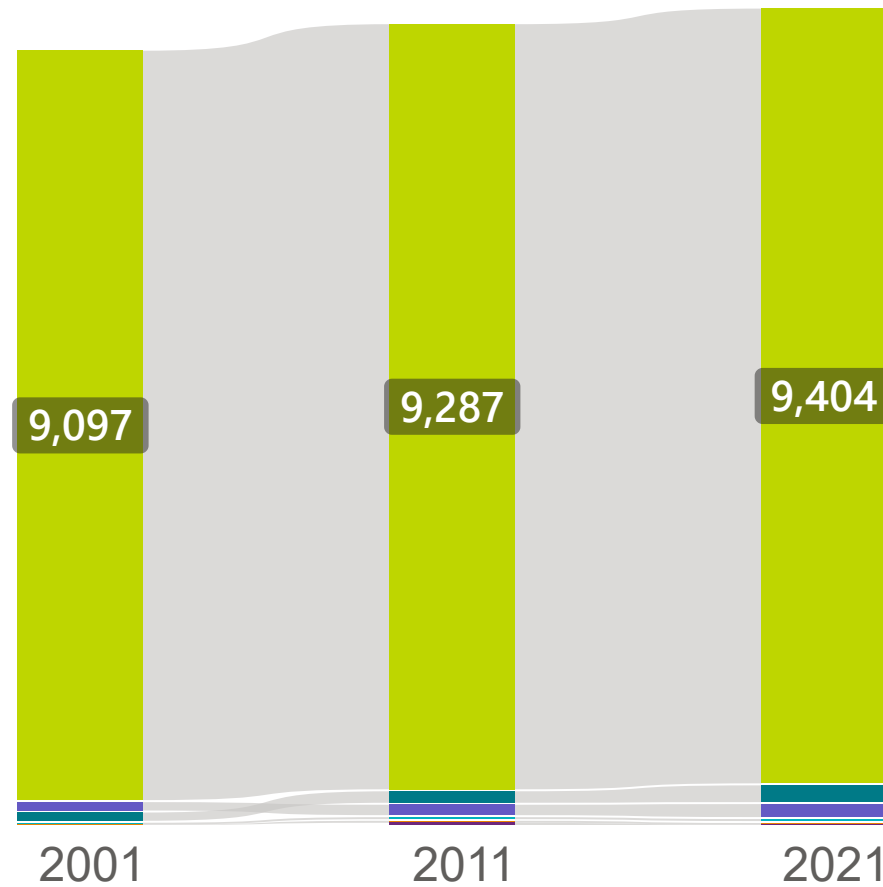
92%

White British School Age 2024

8%

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



Oldham



Greater Manchester



Larger Groups - School Age

White British

93%

Group White British Other White Other Pakistani

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Ward Profiles: Health



18

Reception Obesity ward rank (out of 20)

19

Year 6 Obesity ward rank (out of 20)

61

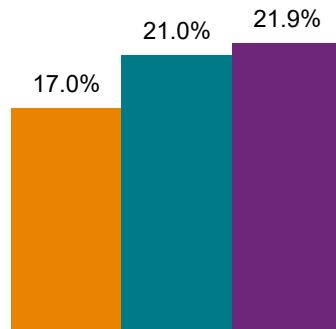
Number of births last year

110

Number of deaths last year

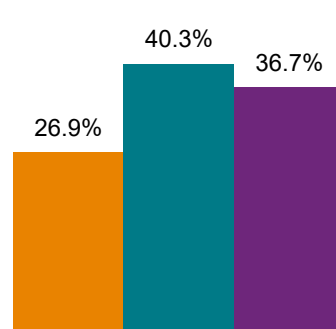
Reception Overweight/obesity

Ward Oldham England



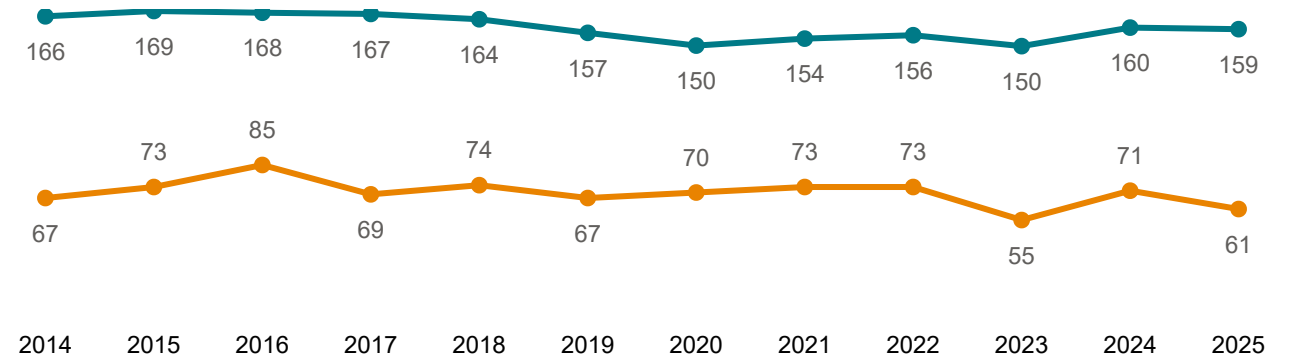
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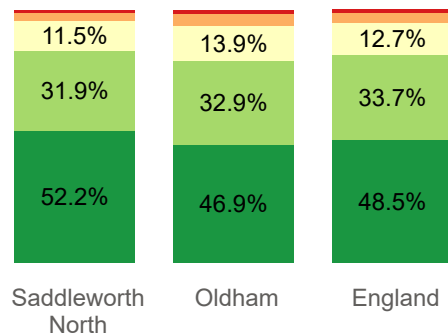
Number of Births by Year

Number of Births Oldham Average



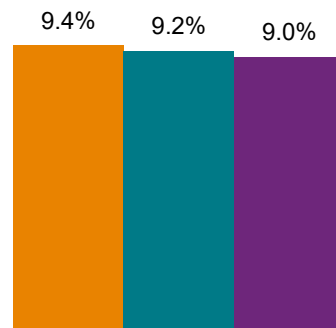
General Health

Very Good Good Fair Bad Very bad



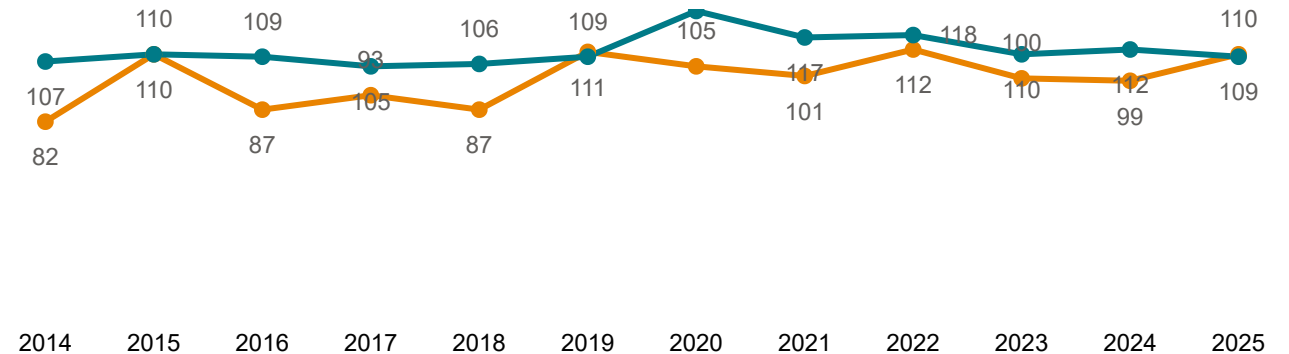
Residents providing unpaid care

Ward Oldham England



Number of Deaths by Year

Ward Oldham Average



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Ward Profiles: Education



80%

Good Level of Development %

50.1

Attainment 8 Average Score GCSE

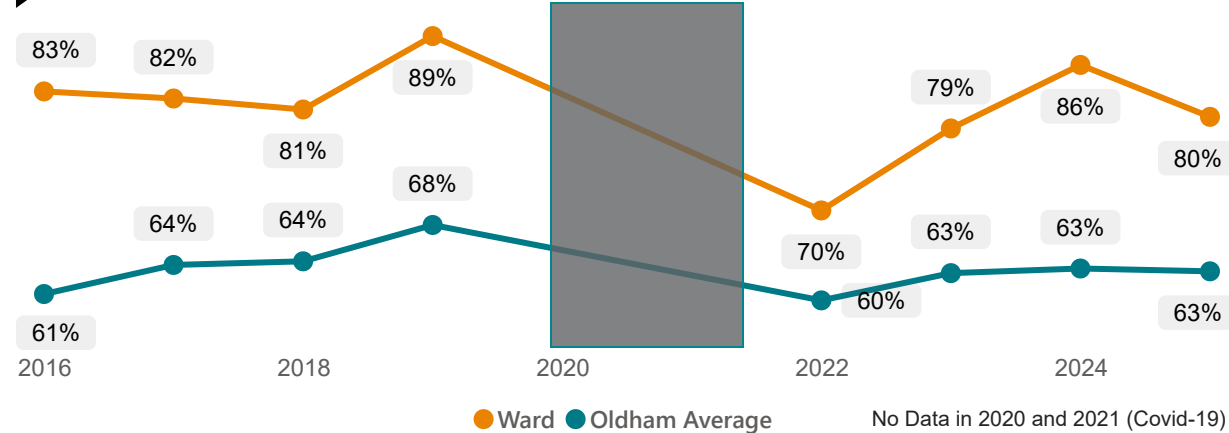
60.8%

KS4 Grades 9-5 English & Maths

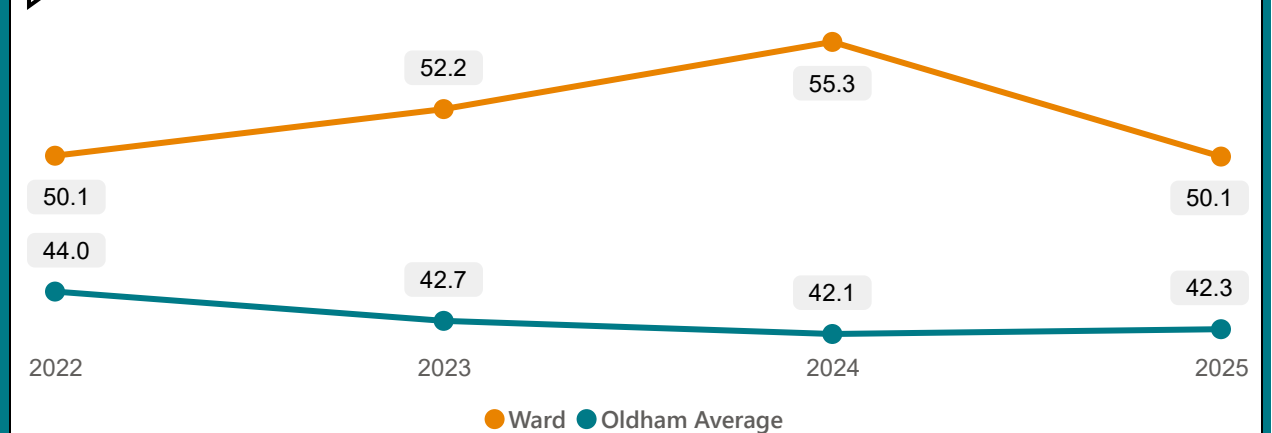
12%

No Qualifications (Aged 16+)

% Achieving Good Level of Development (end of reception)

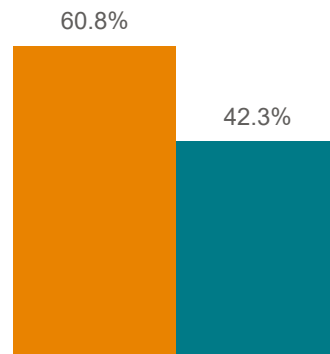


Attainment 8 Average Score



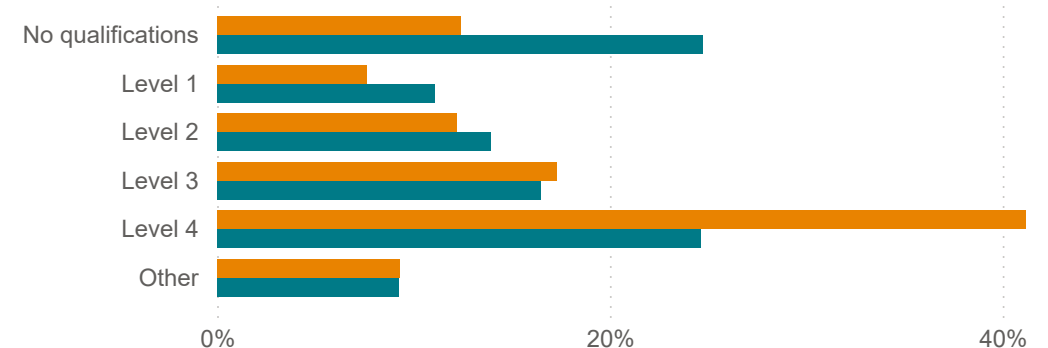
KS4 Grades 9-5 in English & Maths

Ward Average Oldham Average



Highest Level of Qualification 2021

Ward Oldham Average



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Ward Profiles: Economy



2.0%

16-64 Unemployment Rate



5.4%

18-24 Unemployment Rate



2.3%

NEET Rate 16 & 17 Year-Olds



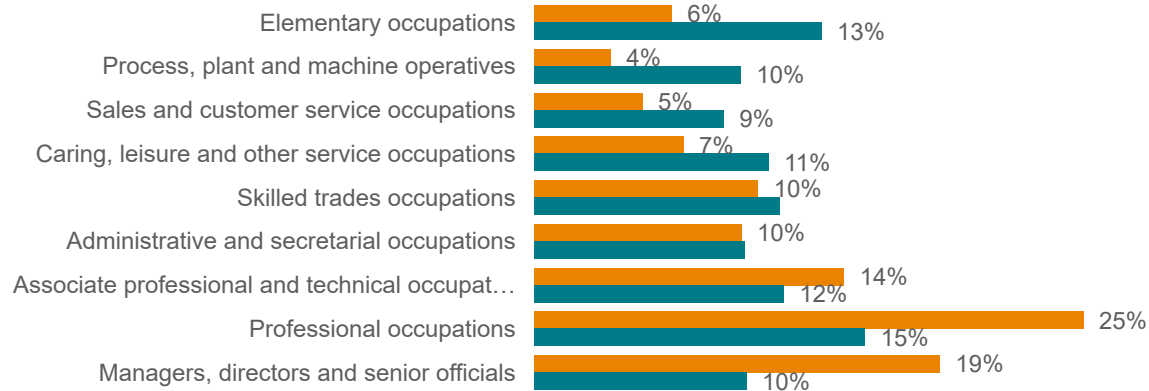
£45,699

Median Equivalised Household Income

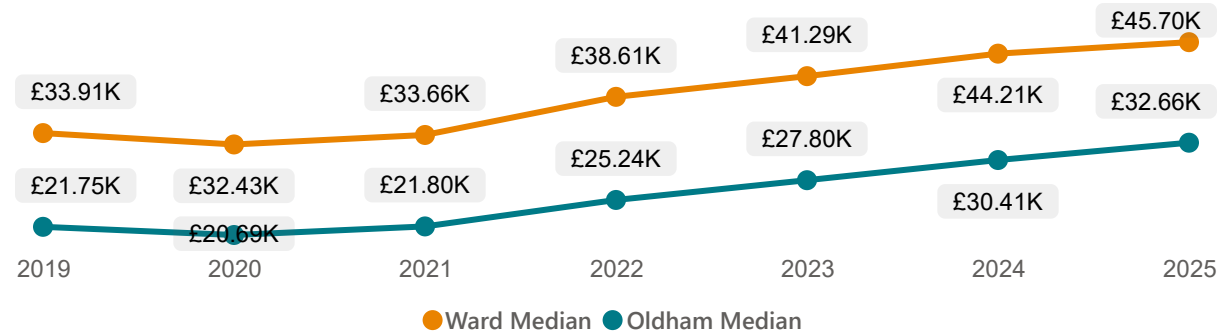


Occupation 2021

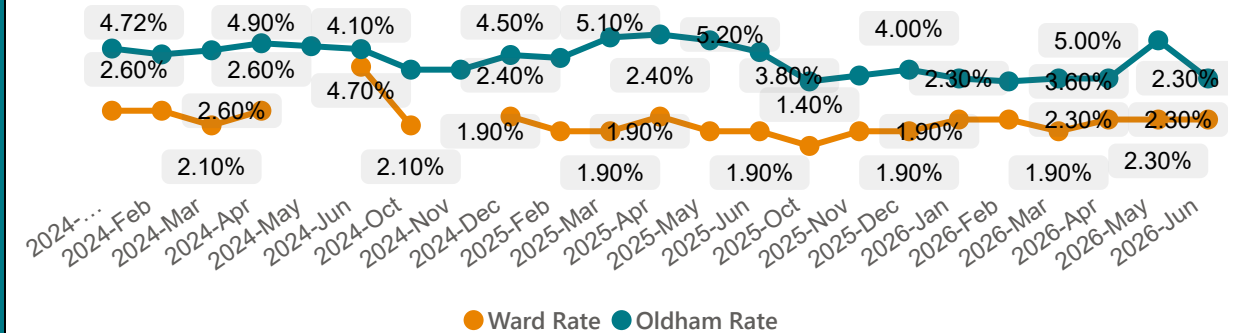
Ward % Oldham %



Median Equivalised Household Income

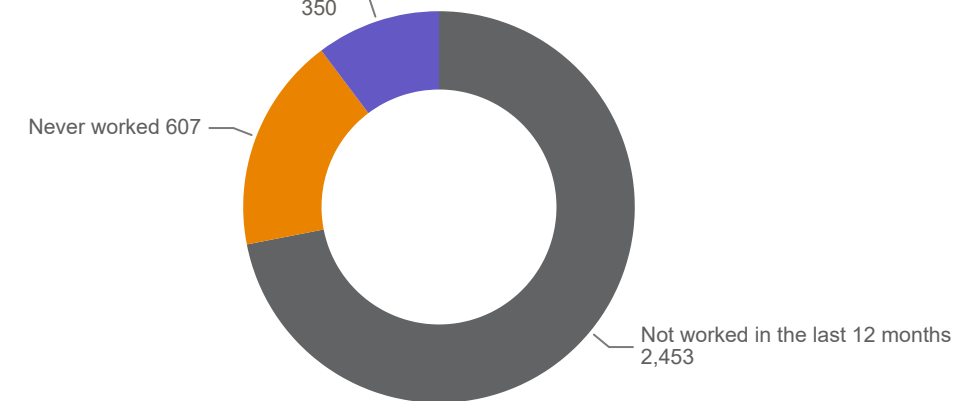


NEET Rate 16 & 17 Year-olds



Unemployment History of those not employed - Census 2021

Not employed but worked in the last 12 months



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Ward Profiles: Housing



£325,000

Median House Price



1%

Overcrowded Households %



7%

Social Housing %



14%

Privately Rented %



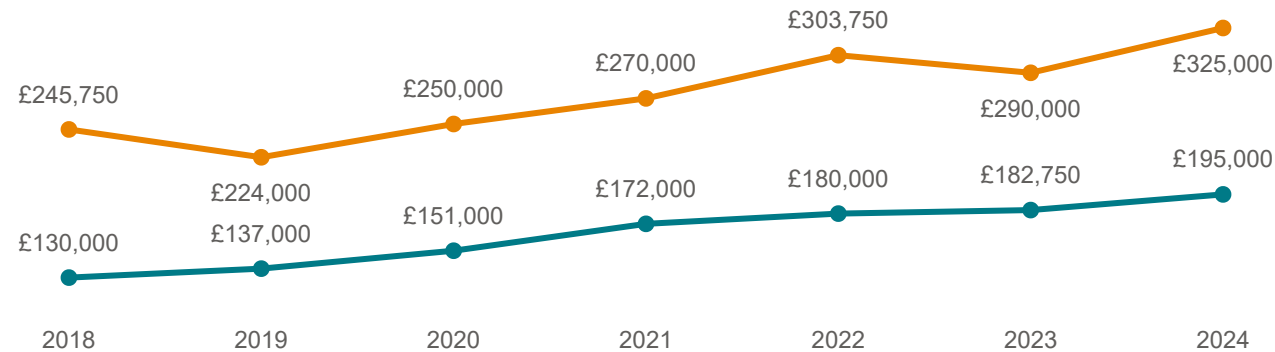
80%

Owner Occupied %

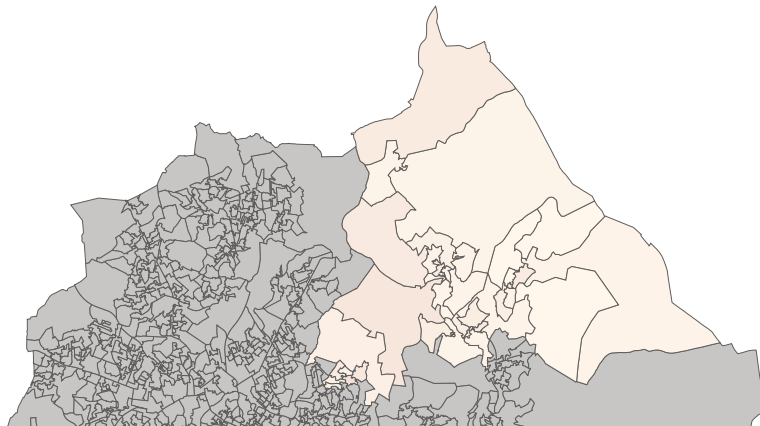


Median House Price

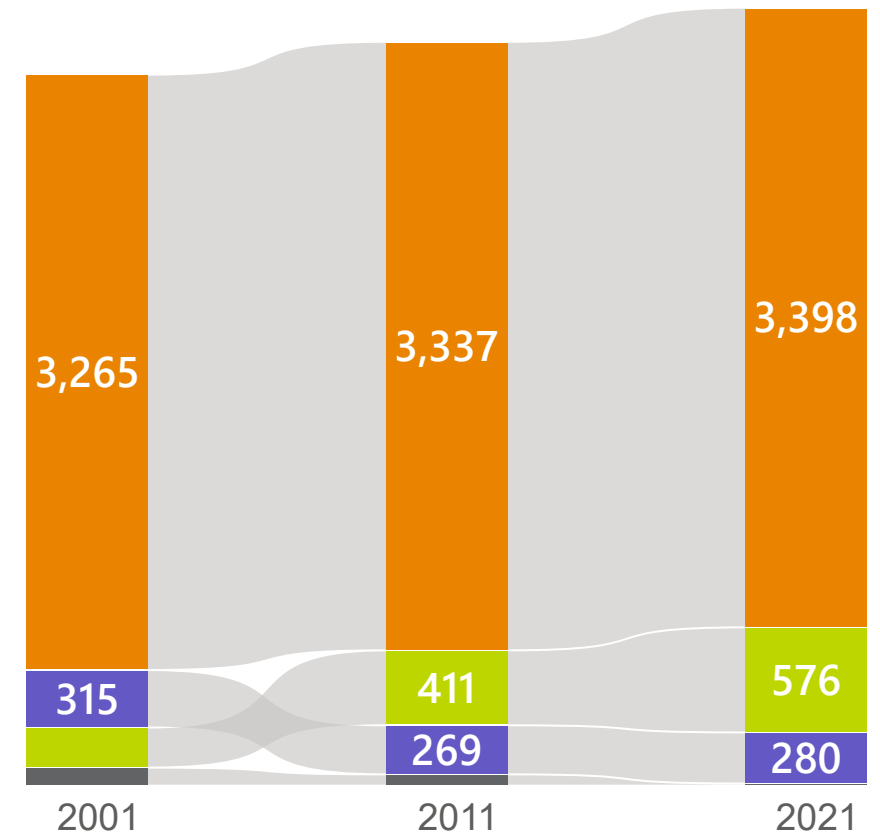
Ward Oldham



Overcrowded Households



Tenure over time



● Social Rented ● Private Rented ● Owner Occupied ● Other

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Ward Profiles: Deprivation



18

IMD Rank of 20 Oldham Wards



4,052

IMD Rank of 6,793 English Wards



6,231

IDACI Rank of 6,793 English Wards



6,036

IDAOPi Rank of 6,793 English Wards

Overall and Domain Ward Rankings



IMD Overall



4052

6793



Health & Disability



4102

6793



Income



6246

6793



Crime



3338

6793



Employment



5599

6793



Barriers to Housing & Services



605

6793



Education, Skills & Training



6140

6793



Living Environment



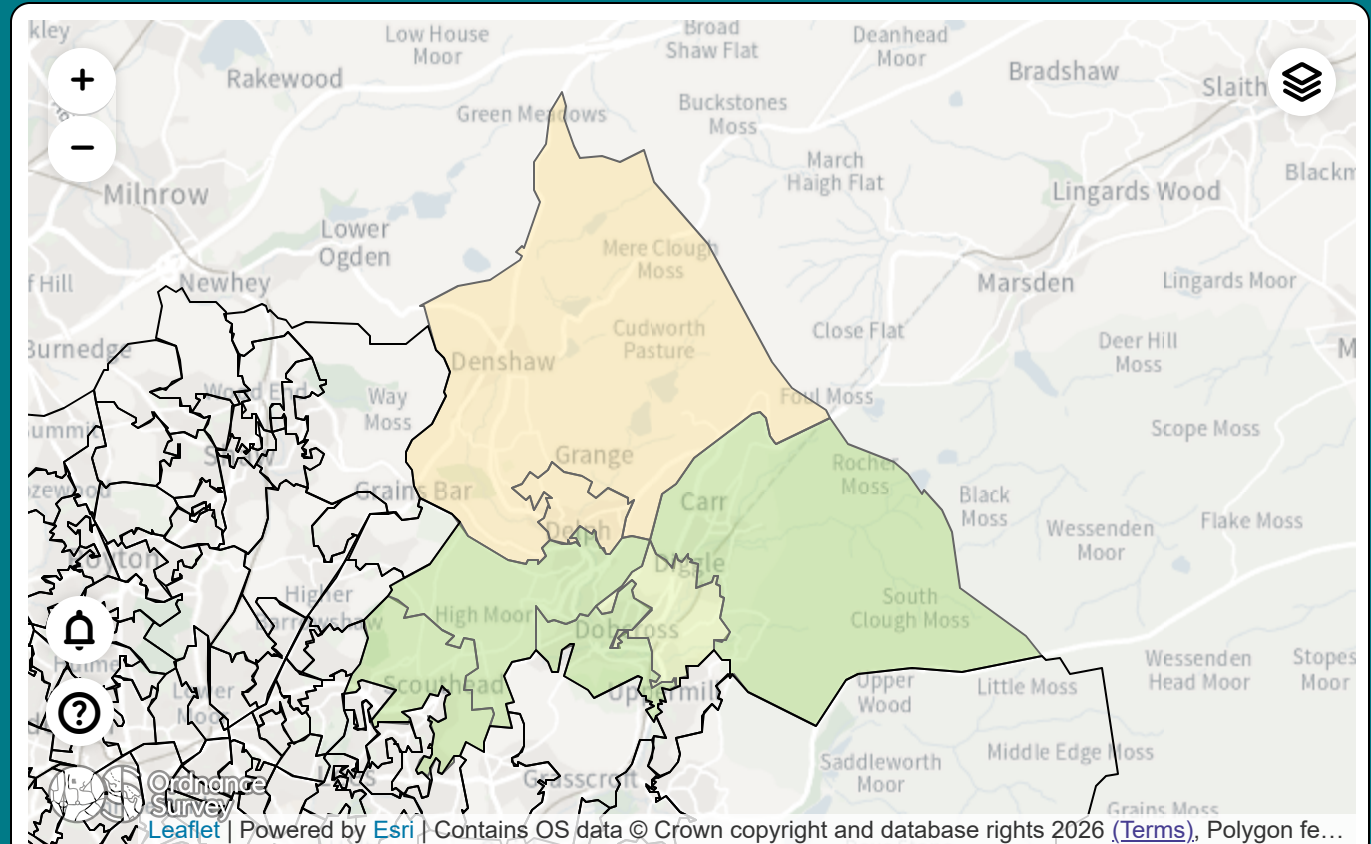
839

6793



Mapping LSOAs: Choose IMD, Domain or Sub-Domain

IMD Decile 2025



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Ward Profiles: Community & Crime

98%

Registered to Vote

54%

Local Elections Turnout

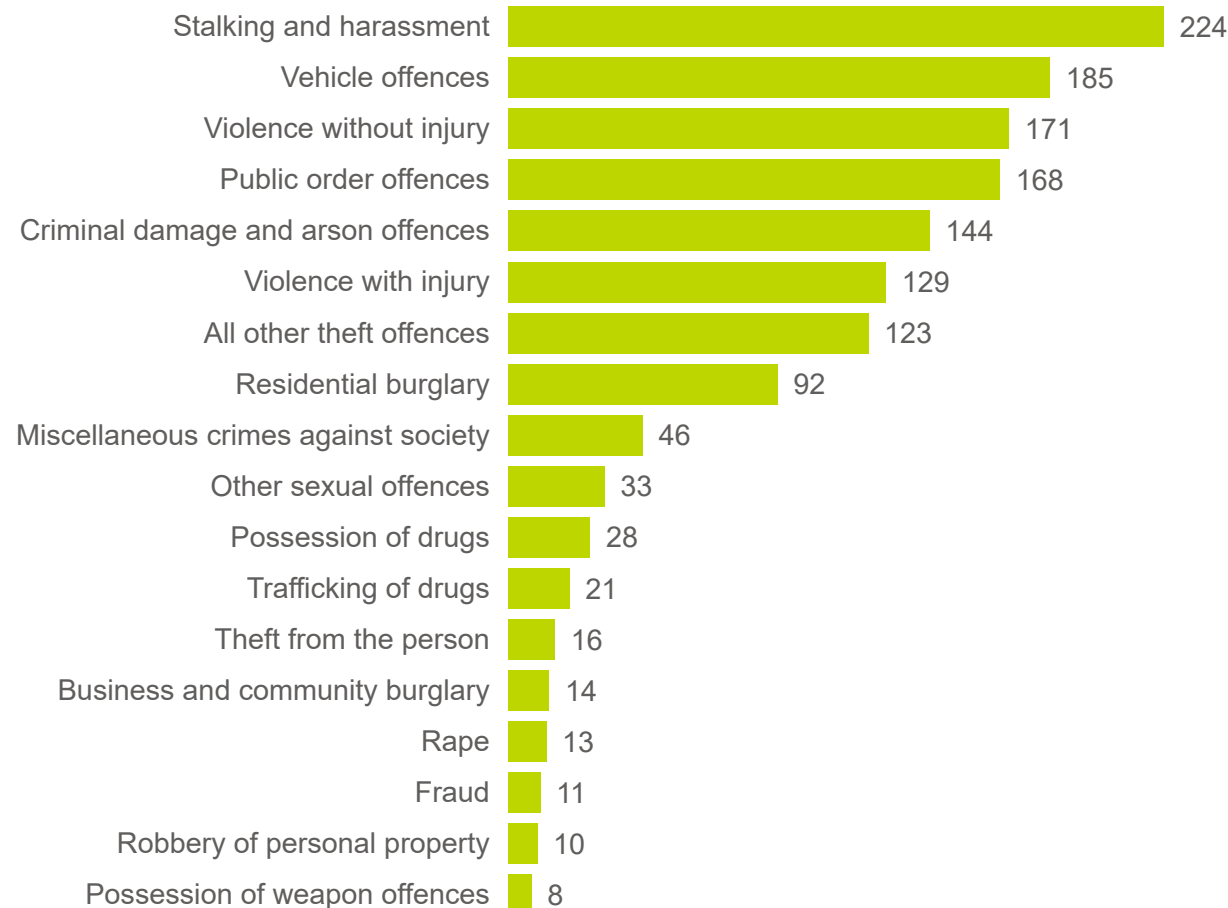
482

Reported Crimes per Year 2022-25

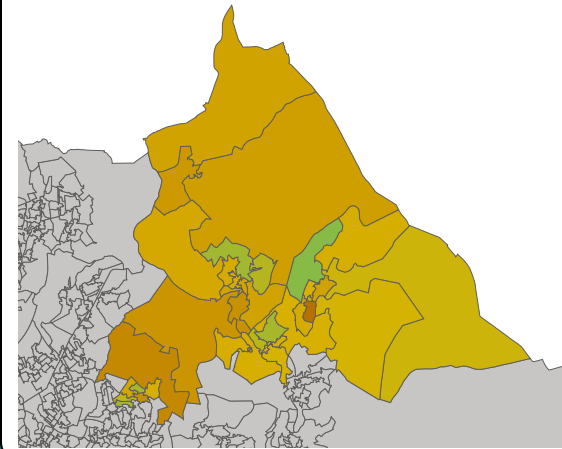
5%

Reported Crimes per year: % of population

Reported Crimes 2022-25 by Category



Reported Crime Rate



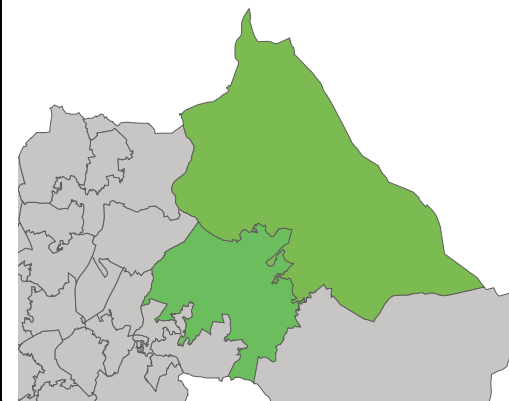
Crime Map Information

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