

England and Wales have data - Religion Starter Answers

1. The population of England and Wales in 2011 was 56,075,912.

a) Of this population how many people defined their religion as Christian?

- 2,706,066
 4,038,032
 14,097,229
 33,243,175

www.ons.gov.uk/rel/census/2011-census/key-statistics-for-local-authorities-in-england-and-wales/rft-table-qs210ew.xls **Numbers** tab.

b) What is this as a percentage of the population?

- 7.2
 25.1
 40.8
 59.3

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2. Brighton and Hove was the area with the second highest percentage of non-religious people at 42.4%. Atheists, Agnostics and Jedi Knights are included in this figure. 0.2% of the population of Brighton and Hove claimed to be Agnostic (the belief that the existence of a God/greater power cannot be known) and 0.2% stated that they were Atheist (the belief that there is not a God). What percentage of people in Brighton and Hove put Jedi Knight as their religion?

- 0.01%
 0.1%
 1%
 10%

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3. Which of the following areas had the highest percentage of Buddhists?

- Brighton & Hove (1.0%)
 Nottingham (0.7%)
 Reading (1.2%)
 York (0.5%)

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4. Which area in Wales had the largest percentage of Hindu people?

- Cardiff (1.4%)
 Merthyr Tydfil (0.1%)
 Newport (0.5%)
 Swansea (0.3%)

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This can be done by eye, or by using the **Sort & Filter** function in the Excel spreadsheet – make sure you select the correct page from the workbook. Select the rows for the Welsh areas (rows 443 to 464). Select **Sort & Filter** on the **Home** tab, then **Custom Sort**. In the Sort window select **Sort by: Column H** (Hindu) in drop down menu, **Sort On: Values** and **Order: Largest to Smallest**. Now select **OK**. The areas should now be in order, with the largest percentage of Hindu people at the top.

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The following questions use the interactive religion map, which compares the 2001 Census with the 2011 Census: www.ons.gov.uk/ons/interactive/census-map-2-1---religion/index.html

Enter the name of the area that you would like to search in the **Search for a postcode or address** box. Then click the magnifying glass to search. A small area will come up in yellow.



Religion

Select religion: Christian (%)

Search for a postcode or address: Birmingham

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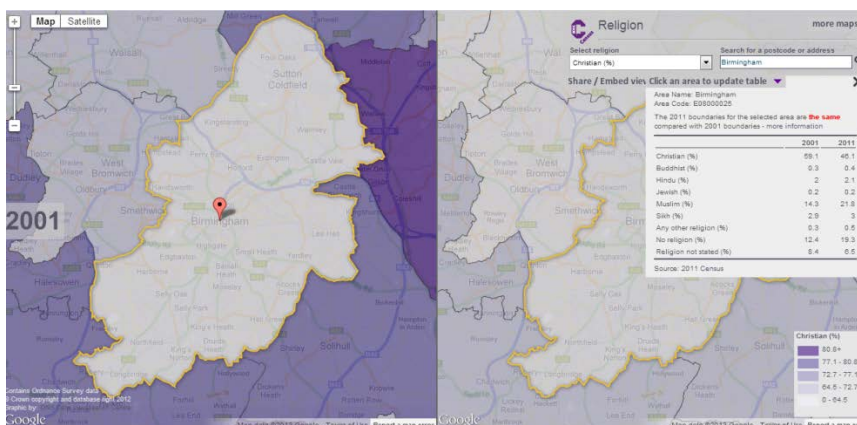
Area Name: Birmingham 050E
Area Code: E01033551

The 2011 boundaries for the selected area are **different** compared with 2001 boundaries - more information

	2001	2011
Christian (%)	35.5	33.2
Buddhist (%)	0.8	1.2
Hindu (%)	5.3	7.5
Jewish (%)	0.3	0.4
Muslim (%)	4.6	16.5
Sikh (%)	1.8	4.4
Any other religion (%)	0.6	0.6
No religion (%)	17.3	30.3
Religion not stated (%)	33.8	5.9

Source: 2011 Census

Click on **Click on an area to update table** – this will bring up a table and updates the statistics for the selected area in the table. Look at the **Area Name**. If it has the area name followed by a code (e.g. Birmingham 050E), this means that you have only selected part of the area. Use the slider bar on the left-hand-side of the map to zoom out. You should then see the outline of the whole area – click on this area. The new area should now be selected, so update the table again. The area name should no longer have a code after it and therefore will give the statistics for the whole area (e.g. Birmingham, not Birmingham 050E).

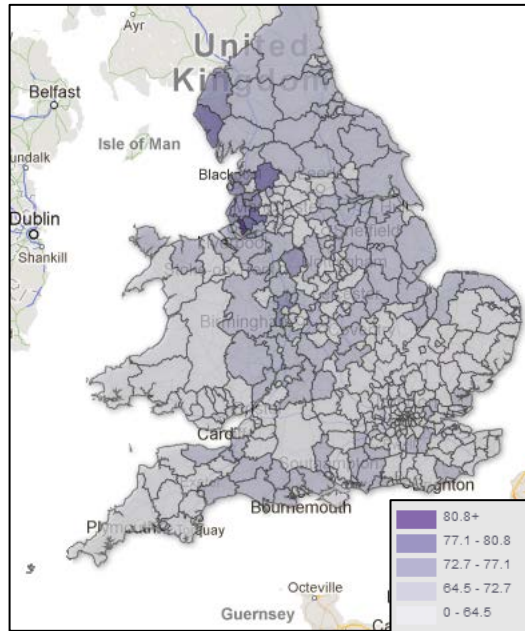


5. The percentage of Christians in England and Wales decreased by 12.4%, from 71.7% (Census 2001) to 59.3% (Census 2011). Of the Local Authorities, Halton, in Cheshire, had the highest percentage of Christians in England and Wales in 2011 at 75%. What was the percentage decrease in this area between the two censuses?

- 8.8%
 12.3%
 14.2%
 16.2%

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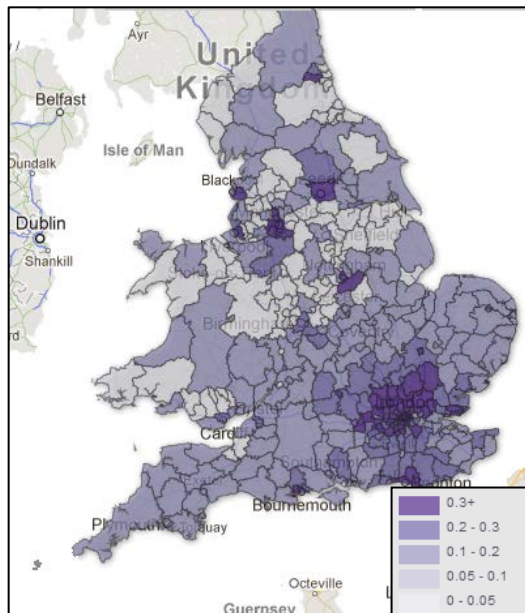
6. The map below shows the percentage of people following a particular religion in 2011 in each area. Which of the following religions does this map represent? Look at the key to find the percentage of the religion represented by each colour.



- Christian
- Muslim
- Jewish
- No Religion

www.ons.gov.uk/ons/interactive/census-map-2-1---religion/index.html (do not search an area, just change the religion in the select a religion box.)

7. Which religion does this map represent?



- Buddhist
- Muslim
- Jewish
- Sikh

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