

Should I Stay or Should I Go? - Give us a job!

Census data is a valuable source of information that can help you make big decisions such as what to do when you leave school. Using data from the Office for National Statistics (ONS) and other sources investigate areas where you would like to live and work. There are lots of career opportunities open to you.

- University
- An apprenticeship
- A college course – training
- Employment
- Training/studying while employed
- Running your own business
- Joining the armed forces
- Gap year

Not only is your choice of job important, but there are also many other factors to consider about the area you may move to.

- Location
 - crime rates
 - age of population
 - social life
 - well being
 - scenery (rural/urban)
 - weather
 - unemployment rate
 - distance from family/friends
 - cost of travelling to and from home
 - industry/businesses in the area
 - ethnicity
- Cost of accommodation/bills

TASK A

Choose three locations in England and/or Wales where you would like to work. One must be in your home town.

Complete table 1 on page 4. This table gives links to the Office for National Statistics (ONS) interactive maps and spreadsheets, where you can find detailed information on areas of England and Wales. Investigate the three areas you have chosen using these links. We have also included links to the Met Office, the RAC, Google Maps and Network Rail. To investigate the cost of accommodation, search the Internet using the search criteria 'renting' followed by the name of the location. You may also explore other information that you feel is relevant from the ONS website.

The following pages give guidance on how to use the sites listed in table 1.

Guide for using the ONS website

Interactive maps

Travel to work methods

Select variable: Work mainly at or from home (%)

Search for a postcode or address: PL4 8AA

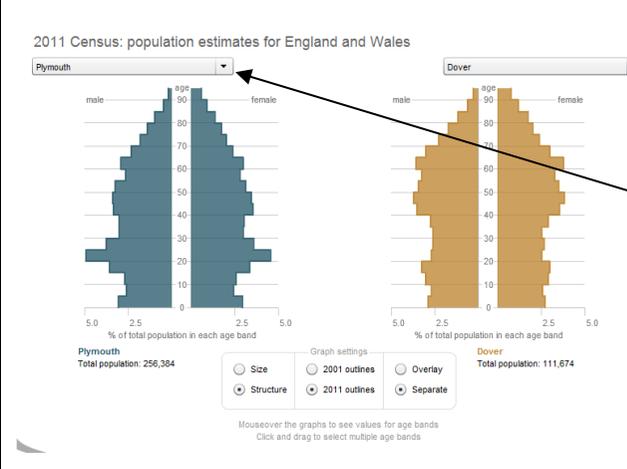
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2011 Local Authority Name: Plymouth
2011 Local Authority Code: E06000026

	2001	2011
Work mainly at or from home (%)	6.59	6.97
Underground, metro, light rail, tram (%)	0.06	0.06
Train (%)	0.34	0.54
Bus, minibus or coach (%)	11.94	11.03
Taxi (%)	0.6	0.83
Motorcycle, scooter or moped (%)	2.15	1.91
Driving a car or van (%)	53.82	55.27
Passenger in a car or van (%)	7.82	6.04
Vehicle Occupancy Rate	1.15	1.11
Bicycle (%)	2.64	2.6
On foot (%)	13.2	14.1
Other method of travel to work (%)	0.83	0.86

Enter the location postcode or name, followed by the magnifying glass to search. Then click on the arrow to update the table.

Population pyramids



Select the locations you would like to look at using the drop-down menu. You can compare two areas at a time.

Neighbourhood Statistics

NEIGHBOURHOOD SUMMARY

This search allows you to find a **summary report** for your **local neighbourhood**. If you want to know more about the neighbourhood you live or work in use this search.

Enter a full postcode from your neighbourhood:

PL4 8AA
e.g. N51JP

Search

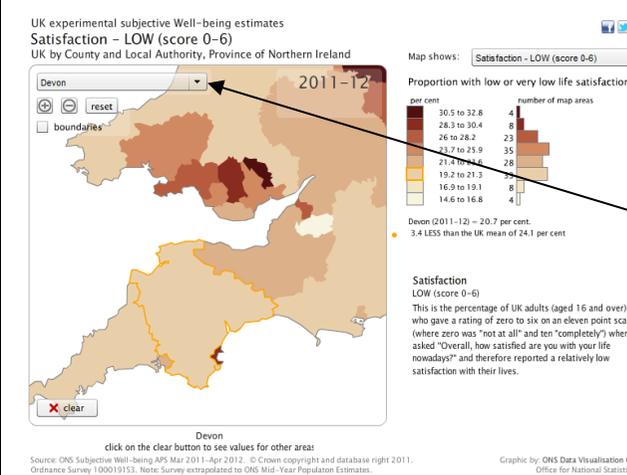
Enter the location postcode in the right-hand-side box and click search. Using the tabs at the top of the screen you can search different topics.

2011 Census | People and Places | Health | Local Economy | Education | Housing | **Crime and Safety** | More...

The following table compares the number of recorded cases of each type of notifiable offence in the reporting year indicated (April to March)

Recorded crimes, 2010 - 2011

Well-being map



To use this map you will need to select the area and also the type of well-being you are looking at, whether satisfaction, happiness, etc.

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Guide to using the Met Office Website

To find out weather information for each area, type the name of the area in the look-up box and select from the drop-down menu that appears.

You will then get a pop-up box, where you can select a more specific area by selecting the check box, then click **OK**.

A climate table for the area will then appear with statistics from 1981-2010. You can take information from this and/or use the averages maps on the fourth tab. The averages map allows you to look at a graphical representation of the weather for different months, seasons, regions and climate variables. You may want to look at rainfall or snowfall as well as maximum temperature.

UK climate - Averages - Kingston Upon Thames

Averages table | Averages graphs | Location comparison | Climate station map | Averages

Hampton W Wks (Nearest climate station to Kingston Upon Thames)
Climate period: 1981-2010

Month	Max. temp (°C)	Min. temp (°C)	Days of air frost (days)	Sunshine (hours)	Rainfall (mm)	Days of rainfall >= 1 mm (days)	Monthly maximum wind speed at 10m (km/h)
Jan	8.1	2.6	7.3	58.1	53.4	10.9	n/a
Feb	8.3	2.3	8.3	78.4	39.2	8.8	n/a
Mar	11.0	3.9	3.8	113.9	40.6	9.4	n/a
Apr	13.9	5.5	1.6	165.2	41.9	8.9	n/a
May	17.3	8.6	0.1	194.7	44.8	8.4	n/a
Jun	20.4	11.7	0.0	198.6	44.4	8.2	n/a
Jul	21.9	12.8	0.0	209.3	43.0	7.2	n/a
Aug	20.0	12.0	0.0	198.6	51.5	7.6	n/a
Sep	17.3	9.4	0.0	147.3	49.4	8.1	n/a
Oct	14.6	6.7	0.0	114.6	67.0	10.2	n/a
Nov	11.0	5.1	3.7	65.1	59.5	10.3	n/a
Dec	7.9	4.9	7.9	47.9	56.2	10.1	n/a
Annual	33.3	1591.6	590.8	108.0	n/a	n/a	n/a

Mean daily maximum temperature - January average: 1981-2010

Region: United Kingdom

Averaging period: 1981-2010

Climate variable: Mean daily maximum temperature

Months: Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec

Seasons: Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter

Annual: Annual

Change your location

Current preferred location: Kingston Upon Thames

You have selected: **Plymouth**

Now choose one of the five nearest forecast locations:

- Plymouth (0.7 km)
- Plymouth Youth Hostel (1.2 km)
- Plymouth Argyle F.C. (1.3 km)
- Ford (1.5 km)
- Compton (1.8 km)

OK Cancel

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TABLE 1

Topic	Location A	Location B	Location C
Location			
Population by age – percentage of young people in the area. (www.ons.gov.uk/ons/interactive/vp2-2011-census-comparator/index.html)			
Population density – crowded or spacious? (www.ons.gov.uk/ons/interactive/census-map-1-4/index.html)			
Location: rural or urban (www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/HTMLDocs/urbanrural.html)			
Unemployment rate – easy or difficult to get a job? (www.ons.gov.uk/ons/interactive/census-map-2-1---economic-activity/index.html)			
Average wage – high, medium or low? (www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/HTMLDocs/incomeestimates.html)			
Crime rate – is the area safe? (www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination)			
Travel to work – best way to get to work. (www.ons.gov.uk/ons/interactive/census-map-2-3---method-of-travel/index.html)			
Well being (http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/HTMLDocs/dvc34/Well-being_map.html)			
Travelling home (www.rac.co.uk/route-planner) (http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?hl=en&tab=wl) (http://www.networkrail.co.uk/aspx/629.aspx)			
Weather (www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/climate/#?tab=climateTables)			
Cost of accommodation (Internet search `renting name of location`)			

TASK B

Of course the type of job/career you choose is very important and there is much to consider. For example:

- Type of job/career
- Salary/wages
- Benefits/incentives e.g.
 - holiday entitlement
 - working hours
 - bonuses
 - car
- Opportunities for progression e.g.
 - training schemes
 - sponsorship
- Essential and desirable qualifications and qualities
- Competition/number of jobs advertised

Search the Internet to find two jobs you would like to apply for.

Fill out table 2 on page 6 for the two jobs you have selected. You should check what each job entails and whether, when you leave school, you will have the qualifications to do this job, or whether you will need to consider further training/education. This is information that can be noted in the table you need to complete. You may notice that some job specifications are more informative than others, so you may not be able to fill out every box in the table, but collect as much information as you can. There is space for you to research any additional information that may interest you.

TASK C

Write a report on your findings.

State the purpose of the investigation.

Explain what and how you found out relevant information.

State your conclusions.

Describe any further research you need to do.

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TABLE 2

Topic	Job A	Job B
Job title		
Salary/wage		
Incentives/benefits		
Qualifications/qualities		
Hours per week/full-time or part-time		
Holiday allowance		
Permanent or temporary?		