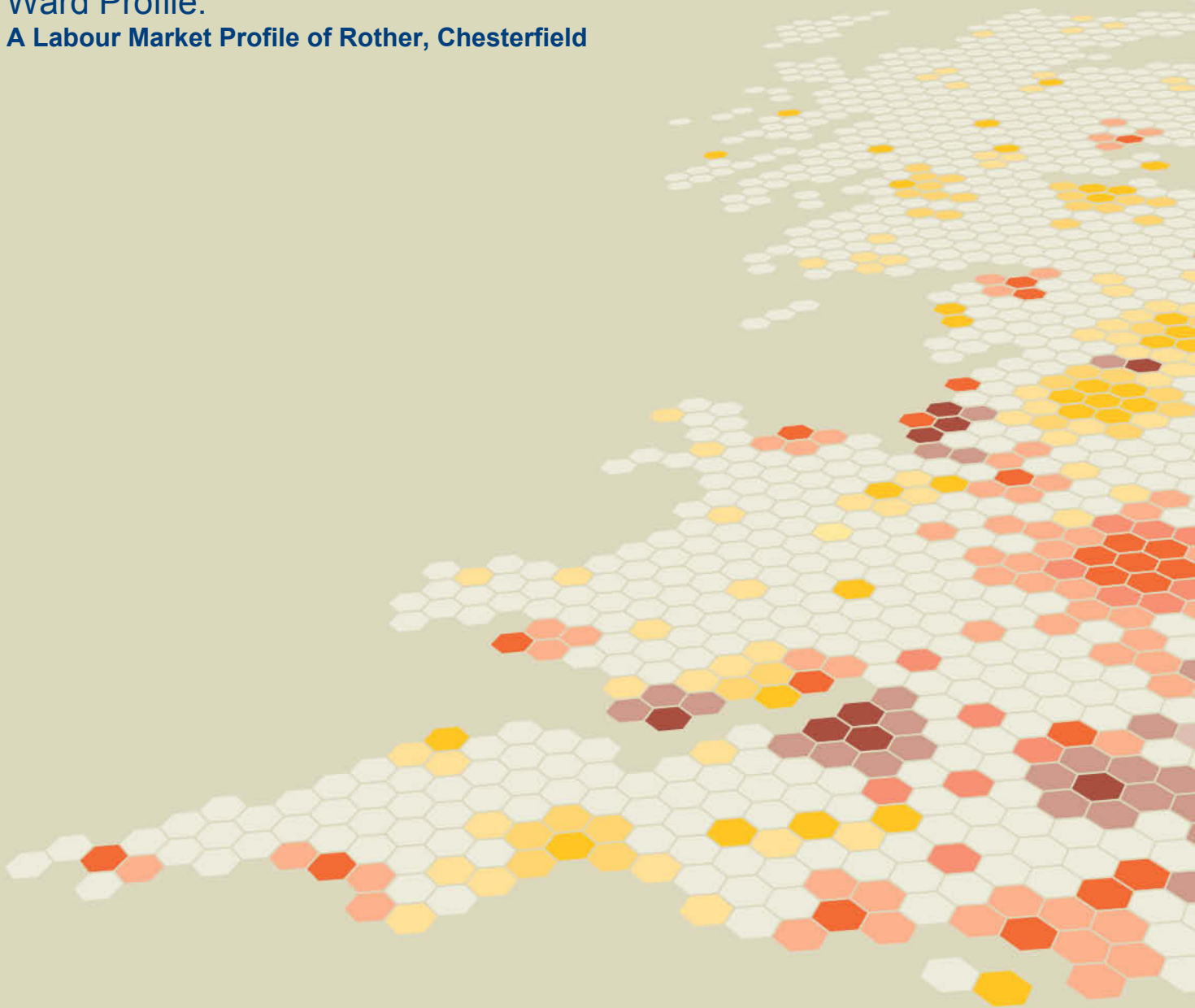


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A Labour Market Profile of Rother, Chesterfield



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Labour Market Profile: Rother

Introduction

The EU Lisbon Strategy set an employment rate target of 70 per cent by 2010. In this profile we use the employment rate as an overall measure of labour market performance in Rother, but also present a range of other measures, such as unemployment, youth unemployment and long-term unemployment rates to provide a fuller analysis of labour market conditions.

Rother is ranked 8322 out of 8868 wards on the proportion of the resident workforce in employment, indicating participation rates that are in the bottom 20% of wards nationally.

With 48.56% of the working age population in employment, Rother is well below the national median. This is shown in the map, where areas with very dark shadings score highly and those with very light shadings score poorly.

By comparison, the proportion of the working age population in employment in Chesterfield was 58.67% in 2001, the Derbyshire figure was 61.40%, the East Midlands figure was 61.33%, and the national figure was 60.38%.

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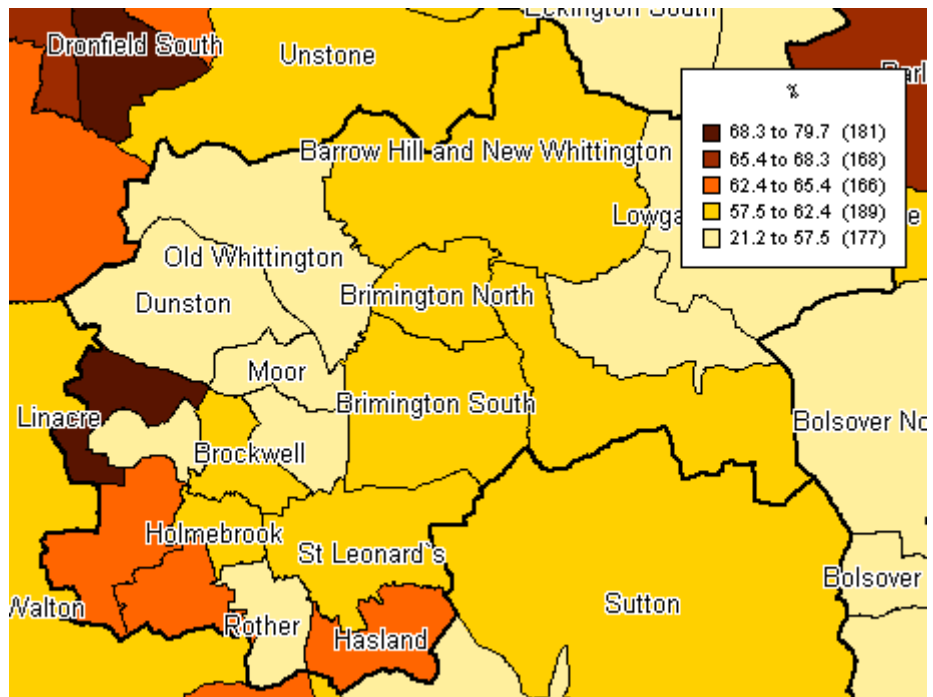
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Proportion Of The Population In Employment, 2001

The map shows the performance of wards within Chesterfield. The areas with very dark shading score highly and those with very light shading score poorly.

With 48.56% of the resident working age population in employment, Rother is in the bottom 20% of wards and is in a district that is in the bottom 40% of districts nationally.

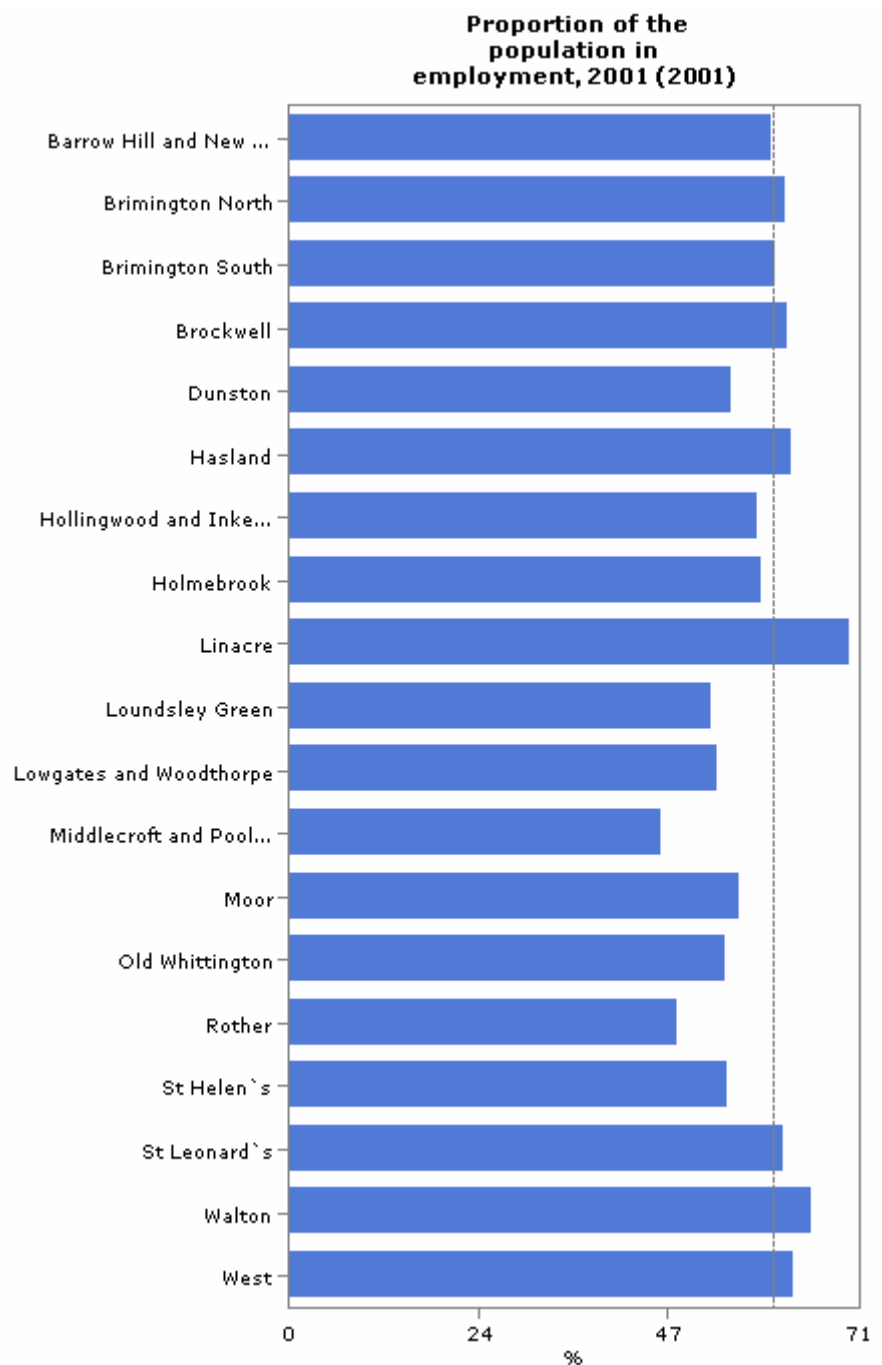


Source: Census 2001

Proportion Of The Population In Employment, 2001

The bar chart shows the proportion of the resident working age population in employment in 2001, for wards in Chesterfield.

The chart shows that at 48.56%, Rother has a low proportion of the resident working age population in employment. By comparison, the Great Britain average, shown by the dashed line, is 60.38%.



Source: Census 2001

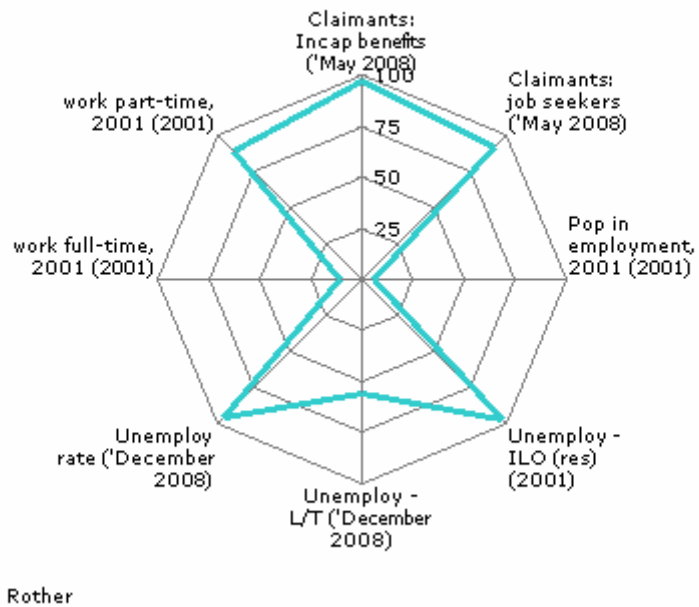
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Labour Market Indicators

The spider chart is a way of showing how Rother rates against the national median. Data for every ward in Great Britain is converted into a percentile score, with the top ranking area scoring 100 and the bottom zero. The national median is shown by the 50th percentile.

The chart shows that Rother scores very well by national standards on the proportion of the resident working age population in employment. The chart also shows how Rother performs on a range of related labour market measures.



Source: Census 2001

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Labour Market Indicators

Areas	Unemploy - ILO (res) (%) 2001	Unemploy rate (%) 'December 2008	Unemploy - L/T (%) 'December 2008	Claimants: job seekers (per 000 16) 'May 2008	Claimants: Incap benefits (per 000 16) 'May 2008	work full- time, 2001 (%)	work part- time, 2001 (%)	Pop in employment, 2001 (%) 2001	Rank
Linacre	3.93	1.80	10.64	12.64	39.71	76.18	23.82	70.12	847/8868
Walton	2.62	1.10		6.85	35.62	73.17	26.83	65.18	3019/8868
West	2.89	1		10.10	40.38	71.68	28.32	63.05	4234/8868
Hasland	5.78	2.90	4.72	19.57	70.44	71.87	28.13	62.82	4359/8868
Brockwell	5.07	2.60	5.15	18.74	66.92	75.04	24.96	62.36	4622/8868
Brimington North	7.47	4	4.67	24.23	78.27	73.84	26.16	62.04	4804/8868
St Leonard's	6.28	3.10	8.06	18.15	70.18	75.54	24.46	61.66	4999/8868
Brimington South	4.94	2.60	5.56	17.39	68.12	73.22	26.78	60.78	5385/8868
Barrow Hill and New Whittington	7.12	3.20	8.77	24.61	83.40	74.28	25.72	60.16	5661/8868
Holmebrook	8.64	4.30	9.26	31.21	107.30	75.84	24.16	59.10	6080/8868
Hollingwood and Inkersall	6.02	2.80	4.10	20.90	83.61	71.44	28.56	58.60	6247/8868
Moor	8.16	4.70	4.35	29.83	106.52	74.18	25.82	56.31	6946/8868
Dunston	9.42	4.50	6.21	34.58	107.88	73.07	26.93	55.24	7219/8868
St Helen's	9.89	5.10	11.72	38	124	73.71	26.29	54.73	7355/8868
Old Whittington	9.36	3.20	6.41	28.26	100.93	72.24	27.76	54.49	7421/8868
Lowgates and Woodthorpe	7.06	3.40	5.75	20.86	98.60	70.57	29.43	53.57	7594/8868
Loundsley Green	10.22	4.30	5	30.38	154.08	71.14	28.86	52.72	7753/8868
Rother	11.91	6.60	6.17	41.62	140.48	70.43	29.57	48.56	8322/8868
Middlecroft and Poolsbrook	14.61	5.80	11.03	44.02	152.06	69.95	30.05	46.44	8479/8868
Chesterfield	6	3.30	6.37	23.44	94.74	74.13	25.87	58.67	288/408
Derbyshire	4.63	2.99	6.55	19.26	69.86	75.72	24.28	61.40	27/53
East Midlands	5.50	2.90	7.97	19.78	63.70	76.59	23.41	61.33	4/11
England & Wales Average	4.62	3.03	8.89	20.91	68.63	77.56	22.44	60.38	

Source: Census 2001

The rankings in the table are based on the "Proportion of the population in employment, 2001" indicator

Labour Market Indicators Summary

Looking at some of the indicators from the table we find that:

- The proportion of the resident working age population who are in employment is very low, with the area ranking in the bottom 20% of wards nationally. In Rother, 48.56% of the resident working age population were in employment, compared with 58.67% in Chesterfield and 60.38% nationally.
- The proportion of the working age population who are unemployed in Rother is very high, with the ward ranking in the top 20% of wards nationally. In Rother, 6.60% of people were claiming job seekers allowance in 2008, compared with 3.30% in Chesterfield and 3.03% nationally.
- The proportion of the working age population who are in long-term unemployment in Rother is average, with the ward ranking in the middle 20% of wards nationally. In Rother, 6.17% of people who are unemployed have been claiming job seekers allowance for at least 12 months, compared with 6.37% in Chesterfield and 8.89% nationally.
- The number of incapacity benefit claimants in Rother is very high, with the ward ranking in the top 20% of wards nationally. In Rother, 140.48 people were claiming incapacity benefit per 1000 people of working age, compared with 94.74 in Chesterfield and 68.63 nationally.
- The proportion of employees who work full-time in Rother is very low, with the ward ranking in the top 20% of wards nationally. In Rother, 70.43% of those in employment work full-time (at least 31 hours a week), compared with 74.13% in Chesterfield and 77.56% nationally.
- The proportion of employees who work part-time in Rother is very high, with the ward ranking in the bottom 20% of wards nationally. In Rother, 29.57% of those in employment work part-time (at least 31 hours a week), compared with 25.87% in Chesterfield and 22.44% nationally.

Source: Census 2001

Nearest Neighbours

For the indicators in the spider chart shown earlier, the areas in the country with the most similar profiles are shown opposite. These are statistically the nearest neighbours to Rother, with Charltons in Stockton-on-Tees being the most similar on the labour market indicators.

Rank	Place Name	Neighbourhood
1	Charltons	Stockton-on-Tees
2	Seacombe	Wirral
3	Newbiggin West	Wansbeck
4	Central	Hyndburn
5	Bensham	Gateshead
6	Cheetham	Manchester
7	Lynemouth	Castle Morpeth
8	Southey Green	Sheffield
9	Shirebrook North West	Bolsover
10	Abbey	Lincoln

Source: Census 2001

Glossary of terms

Change in people of working age in employment	The change, over time, of people who are of working age (16-64) and who are in employment.
ILO Unemployment (residence based)	Proportion of people aged 16-59/64 (men/women) who are economically active who are classed as ILO unemployed i.e. unemployed people without a job who were available to start work within two weeks and had either looked for work in the past four weeks or were waiting to start a job they had already obtained in the next two weeks.
Inactivity due to long-term sickness	The proportion of the working age who are economically inactive due to suffering from long-term sickness.
Incapacity benefits claimants per 1000 of the working age population	This indicator provides a figure for the number of people per 1000 of the working age population receiving incapacity benefits within the area. It is paid to people who are assessed as being incapable of work and who meet the same contribution conditions as for Sickness Benefit.
Labour market score	This residence based indicator provides the proportion of people aged 16-59/64 (men/women) in employment indexed to the national average to provide a comparable figure in relation to the national trend.
Long-term unemployment as a proportion of all unemployment (12 months+)	The proportion of people aged 16-59/64 (men/women) claiming Job Seekers Allowance or National Insurance Credits who have been doing so for 12 months and over. This data is residence based.
Proportion of 16-24 year olds who are unemployed	The proportion of 16-24 year olds who are claiming unemployment-related benefits.
Proportion of employees working full-time	The residence-based proportion of employees working for 31 hours or more in a week.
Proportion of employees working part-time	The residence-based proportion of employees working 30 hours or fewer in a week.
Unemployment rate	The proportion of people aged 16-59/64 (men/women) claiming Job Seekers Allowance or National Insurance Credits.
Working age population in employment (residence based)	This residence based indicator provides the proportion of people aged 16 to 59/64 (female/male) in employment.

Data Sources and Definitions

Change in people of working age in employment	The difference between the working age employment rate in the start and most recent years, as a proportion of the working age employment rate in start year.
ILO Unemployment (residence based)	The total ILO Unemployed as a proportion of the total working age population.
Inactivity due to long-term sickness	The total number of people inactive due to long term sickness as a proportion of the total working age population.

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Incapacity benefits claimants per 1000 of the working age population	The number of incapacity benefit claimants as a proportion of the total population aged 16-59/64.
Labour market score	This score is the proportion of people of working age (16-59 for women and 16-64 for men) in employment (Employed, Self-employed and Unpaid family workers) as a proportion of all of those of working age, indexed the to the national average.
Long-term unemployment as a proportion of all unemployment (12 months+)	The total number of those unemployed for 12 months or more as a proportion of all unemployed.
Proportion of 16-24 year olds who are unemployed	The total number of those aged 16-24 who are unemployed as a proportion of all those aged 16-24 years.
Proportion of employees working full-time	Number of people working full-time as a proportion of the total employees working full-time and part-time.
Proportion of employees working part-time	Number of people working part-time as a proportion of the total employees working full-time and part-time.
Unemployment rate	The number of unemployed as a proportion of the working age population.
Working age population in employment (residence based)	The proportion of people of working age (16-59 for women and 16-64 for men) in employment (Employed, Self-employed and Unpaid family workers) as a proportion of all of those of working age.

Source: Local Knowledge; Census 2001; Claimant count with rates and proportions.

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