

Newbiggin locality lies in the South East of Northumberland and has a population of 5,719. Newbiggin is the smallest of the 27 localities in Northumberland in terms of area, measuring 8.7 km², and has a population density of 661 people per km². Newbiggin locality includes the town of Newbiggin, Woodhorn museum and Alcan smelting works.

This data is a snapshot of Newbiggin. For detailed statistics, the most up to date information and sheets explaining how each indicator has been calculated see the InfoNorthumberland Interactive Area Profiles: www.northumberlandinfonet.org.uk/area_profiles/. To access this profile in another format please contact the InfoNet using the details at the bottom of the page.

Key Issues for Newbiggin Locality

People & Place

- 16.9% of the population are aged 0-15 years, Northumberland rate (17.4%).
- Between 2005–2007 the number in this age group fell by 2.7%.
- Newbiggin has the highest percentage (34.6%) of one person households of the 27 localities.
- 10.4% of people aged 16 and over are divorced which is the highest rate in the County.

Community Involvement & Cohesion

- 60.5% of people agree that people from different backgrounds get on well together (Northumberland 80.5%).
- 61% believe public services treat all types of people fairly (the lowest of the 27 locality areas).
- 24.6% of people have been involved in decisions affecting their local area in the last 12 months (Northumberland average 17.1%).

Economic Well-being

- 30.6% of people of working age claim a benefit, the highest rate of the 27 localities.
- 22.9% of people are in employment deprivation, 26.7% are in income deprivation and 43.5% of children aged 0-15 live in a household in income deprivation (the highest levels of the 27 localities).
- 8.8% of people of working age are unemployed compared to the Northumberland average of 4.1%.
- The largest percentage of people aged 16-74 are employed in health & social work (17.9%), manufacturing (16.5%) and retail (15.5%).

Housing

- 85.6% of houses are in Band A Council Tax & 59.5% of all houses are terraced (Northumberland, 28.9%).
- 76.1% of people are satisfied with their home as a place to live, the lowest rate in the County.
- Newbiggin has the lowest house prices in the County (£90,977 compared to the Northumberland average of 179,852)

Transport & Services

- 41.9% of people do not have access to a car / van (Northumberland – 25.8%).
- 63.3% of people are happy with their bus service, the highest rate of the 27 localities.

Health & Social Well-being

- 55.2% of people think their health is good / very good and 29.8% have a limiting long term illness (Northumberland 73% & 20.9%).
- 14% of all admissions to hospital are due to coronary heart disease, the highest rate in the County (Northumberland 9.6%).

Community Safety

- Residents feel that teenagers hanging around the streets (52.6%), rubbish & litter (51.9%) and people dealing or using drugs (51.3%) are a very or fairly big problem.
- 61.8% feel people do not treat each other with respect and consideration (Northumberland rate 26.8%).



