

West Bedlington locality lies in the South East of Northumberland and has a population of 10,097. In terms of area it measures 13.4 km², and has a population density of 752 people per km². West Bedlington locality includes Bedlington town centre and Nedderton.

This data is a snapshot of West Bedlington. 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 West Bedlington Locality

People & Place

- 18.6% of the population are aged 0-15 years (Northumberland 17.4%).
- Between 2005–2007 the number in this age group fell by 3.8% (Northumberland fell by 2.1%).

Community Involvement & Cohesion

- 72.7% of people are satisfied with their local area as a place to live (South East Northumberland 73.5%, Northumberland 80.9%).
- 16.3% of people believe they can influence decisions affecting their local area, the lowest of all 27 localities (South East Northumberland 26.0%, Northumberland 28.1%).
- 15.4% of people have given unpaid help to clubs, groups or organisations during the previous 12 months, the lowest rate of all 27 localities (South East Northumberland 17.9%, Northumberland 24.9%).

Economic Well-being

- 75.8% of people travel to work by car, motorcycle, scooter or moped (South East Northumberland 70.9%, Northumberland 67.5%).
- 67.9% of people are economically active (South East Northumberland 64.3%, Northumberland 64.6%) and of those 88.4% work as an employee (South East Northumberland 82.9%, Northumberland 78.8%).
- The largest percentage of people aged 16-74 in employment are employed in manufacturing (18.1%) and health & social work (16.0%).

Housing

- The largest percentages of household spaces are semi-detached (39.4%) and detached (31.7%). South East Northumberland 39.6% & 15.0% and Northumberland 35.9% & 24.6%, respectively).
- 88.1% of people are satisfied with their home as a place to live (South East Northumberland 88.1%, Northumberland 90.2%).
- 72.9% of all households are owner occupied (South East Northumberland 66.4%, Northumberland 67.1%).

Community Safety

- 35.0% of all crime is criminal damage (Northumberland 29.3%) and 29.4% of all criminal damage is damage to a building other than a dwelling (Northumberland 13.1%).
- 22.7% of people believe parents take enough responsibility for the behaviour of their children (South East Northumberland 21.6%, Northumberland 34.2%).
- 52.6% of people think that teenagers hanging around on the streets is a big problem (South East Northumberland 52.3%, Northumberland 37.9%).
- 50.6% of people feel safe when outside in their local area after dark (South East Northumberland 47.1%, Northumberland 64.1%).
- 8.7% of people feel well informed about what to do in the case of a large scale emergency (South East Northumberland 15.4%, Northumberland 16.5%).

Culture & Leisure

- The percentage of people satisfied with the following public services: sport/leisure facilities; libraries; museums/galleries; theatres/concert halls; and parks and open spaces falls below the South East Northumberland, Northumberland, North East Region and England percentages.



West Bedlington Locality Profile

	Locality	South East	N/land		Locality	South East	N/land
Population¹				Economically Active	4,811	69,299	145,205
All People	10,097	147,520	310,619	67.9%	64.3%	64.6%	
Males	4,946	71,955	152,109	Economically Inactive	2,271	38,513	79,474
Females	5,151	75,565	158,510	32.1%	35.7%	35.4%	
All People 0 to 15 Years	1,877	27,026	54,085	Employment by Industry:			
18.6%	18.3%	17.4%	Agriculture; hunting; forestry	35	421	4,778	
All People Working Age (16-64 Males, 16-59 Females)	6,145	91,152	187,083	0.8%	0.7%	3.5%	
60.9%	61.8%	60.2%	Fishing	3	65	201	
All People 65+ Males/60+ Females	2,075	29,342	69,451	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	
20.6%	19.9%	22.4%	Mining & quarrying	37	538	1,154	
Area (km²)	13	155	5,078	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	
Population Density (pop/km²)	752	951	61	Manufacturing	820	11,911	19,711
				8.1%	18.6%	14.5%	
				Electricity; gas and water	47	679	1,260
				1.0%	1.1%	0.9%	
				Construction	284	4,885	9,860
				6.3%	7.6%	7.2%	
				Wholesale & retail trade	580	10,092	20,889
				12.8%	15.8%	15.4%	
				Hotels and catering	185	2,766	7,270
				4.1%	4.3%	5.3%	
				Transport storage and comms.	256	3,974	7,699
				5.6%	6.2%	5.7%	
				Financial intermediation	152	2,007	3,812
				3.3%	3.1%	2.8%	
				Real estate	402	5,338	12,754
				8.9%	8.3%	9.4%	
				Public admin. and defence	463	5,875	11,373
				10.2%	9.2%	8.4%	
				Education	355	3,946	10,517
				7.8%	6.2%	7.7%	
				Health and social work	726	8,872	18,686
				16.0%	13.9%	13.7%	
				All people (16-74) in employment	4,540	64,020	136,083
Community Cohesion²				Housing⁶			
% of people agreeing people from different backgrounds get on well together	77.8%	74.9%	80.5%	Average House Price (£)	£156,531	£121,733	£179,852
% of people who feel strongly they belong to their immediate neighbourhood	71.3%	62.1%	68.5%	Households With Residents	4,010	62,898	130,780
% of people who believe they can influence decisions affecting their local area	16.3%	26.0%	28.1%	97.5%	97.0%	94.7%	
% of people over the last 12 months who have given unpaid help at least once a month	15.4%	17.9%	24.9%	Second Residence / Holiday Accommodation	6	62	2,389
				0.1%	0.1%	1.7%	
				Vacant Households	95	1,898	4,895
				2.3%	2.9%	3.5%	
				Detached, Whole House or Bungalow	1,302	9,744	33,940
				31.7%	15.0%	24.6%	
				Semi-detached, Whole House or Bungalow	1,621	25,661	49,496
				39.4%	39.6%	35.9%	
				Terraced (including end terrace), Whole House or Bungalow	756	21,429	39,943
				18.4%	33.0%	28.9%	
				Flat, Maisonette or Apartment	417	7,996	14,489
				10.1%	12.3%	10.5%	
				Caravan or other mobile or temporary structure	13	59	196
				0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	
				All Household Spaces	4,111	64,858	138,064
				People satisfied with their home as a place to live	88.1%	88.1%	90.2%
Community Safety³				Education⁷			
% who feel people not treating each other with respect and consideration is a big problem	30.1%	39.1%	26.8%	Pupils gaining 5 or more GCSE's grades A* to C	74.3%	62.1%	68.8%
Anti Social Behaviour (rate per 1,000 pop)	206.8	99.0	78.6	Pupils gaining 5 or more GCSE's grades A* to G	93.6%	90.5%	93.3%
Teenagers hanging around on the streets is a big problem	52.6%	52.3%	37.9%	People with No Qualifications	2,067	37,725	70,263
People using / dealing drugs is a big problem	32.1%	37.3%	28.9%	29.2%	35.0%	31.3%	
People drunk / rowdy in public spaces is a big problem	29.9%	32.3%	24.6%	All Students in Higher Education	305	3,451	9,402
% people who feel very or fairly safe outside after dark	50.6%	47.1%	64.1%	Males:	61.0%	36.4%	39.2%
				Females:	39.0%	63.6%	60.8%
Health⁴				Economic Well-Being⁵			
People who think their general health is good / very good	73.3%	68.2%	73.0%	IMD Employment Domain - % Pop. Employment Deprived	1,066	23,450	38,429
% satisfied with their GP	90.0%	83.6%	86.1%	10.5%	15.9%	12.4%	
% satisfied with their local hospital	80.3%	77.8%	75.6%	IMD Income Domain - % Pop. Income Deprived	1,196	26,104	43,172
% satisfied with their local dentist	71.8%	74.4%	72.4%	11.8%	17.7%	14.0%	
				IMD IDACI - Children 0-15 in Income Deprived households	287	6,823	10,313
				14.7%	24.8%	18.7%	
				IMD IDAOPI - % pop. 60+ Income Deprived	386	6,424	12,626
				17.2%	19.8%	16.6%	
				Unemployment Statistics (April 2009)	221	5,094	7,708
				3.6%	5.6%	4.1%	
				CACI Paycheck - Mean Household Income (2009)	£36,754	£31,068	n/a

1) Population – Population figures are taken from the Mid-Year population estimates 2007.

2) Community Cohesion – data is taken from the Place Survey 2008. For full definitions and data see www.northumberlandinfonet.org.uk/stronger_communities/consultation/

3) Community Safety – anti-social behaviour calculated by the InfoNet. For more information on our work on crime and community safety contact myra.jamieson@northumberland.gov.uk

All other data taken from the Place Survey 2008.

4) Health – Data from the Place Survey 2008

5) Economic Wellbeing – Sources: IMD2007, Unemployment (Claimant Count)- rate is % of resident working age population (NOMIS), CACI Paycheck 2009 & Census 2001 (Econ Activity & Ind. of Employment)

6) Housing – Sources: House Price - Land Registry 2008, Census 2001 & Place Survey 2008 (Satisfaction with home).

7) Education – Sources: GCSE, Education, NCC, Census 2001 (No Quals.) & HESA 2009 (HE).