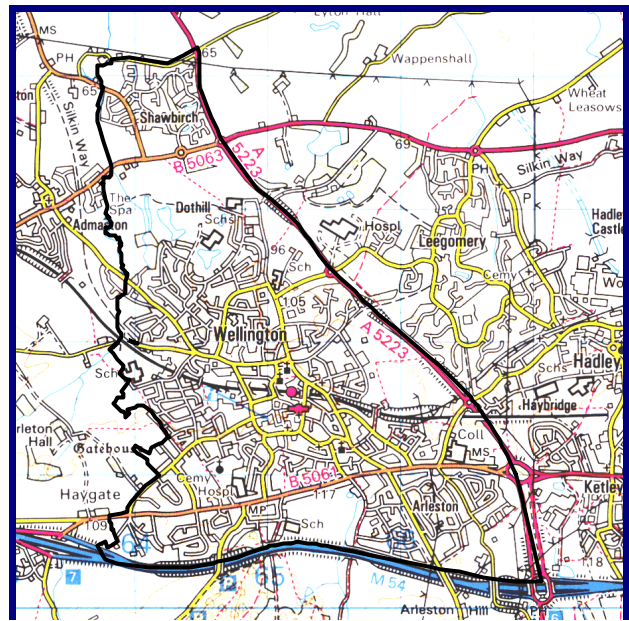


## 1.1. WELLINGTON

### OVERVIEW

- Located in north-west Telford, Wellington's population grew by some 12.6% between 1991 and 2001 to 20,321. Over the same period the number of households grew by 37.3%. These different rates of growth saw the average household size fall from 2.5 to 2.0 people.
- In 2001, the age profile of Wellington was slightly older than the Borough-wide profile. In particular, only 20.6% of the population was aged 15 years or less compared with 22.3% Borough-wide and some 15.8% of the population were aged 65+ compared with 12.4% Borough-wide.
- Some 6.6% of Wellington's population were from a BME community, with Asians being the largest group at 4.4% of the total population. Whilst Christianity was the main religion in Wellington, 75.4%, reflecting the BME profile of the town, Islam had the second greatest proportion of followers at 3.8%.
- Some 22.8% of dwellings in Wellington were detached compared with 30.6% Borough-wide, conversely, 46.1% of dwellings were semi-detached compared with 36.7% Borough-wide.
- Compared to the Borough as a whole, Wellington generally had lower household access to cars. Some 26.7% of households did not have access to a car, compared to 22.4% Borough-wide and only 26.3% had access to two or more cars compared with 32.2% Borough-wide.
- Some 20.3% of the population had a long-term limiting illness, some 2.3 percentage points above the Borough-wide rate of 18.0%.
- In Wellington, some 11.8% of residents provided unpaid care to a friend or relative, some 2 percentage points above the Borough-wide rate of 9.9%.



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### KEY STATISTICS

Table 1: Key Ward Statistics

		1991	2001	% Change	
				Ward	Borough
Population	Male	8,773	11,009	25.5	13.9
	Female	9,269	11,675	26.0	13.0
	Total	18,045	20,321	12.6	11.9
Households		7,228	9,927	37.3	21.7
Average household size		2.5	2.0	-17.8	-8.0
Area (hectares)		-	812	-	-
Population Density		22.2	25.0	12.8	11.9

### POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Table 2: Age Structure

	Borough	Ward			
		2001		1991	
		%	People	%	People
0 - 4	6.6	1,182	5.8	1,216	6.7
5 - 9	7.0	1,297	6.4	1,065	5.9
10 - 14	7.3	1,419	7.0	1,105	6.1
15	1.4	288	1.4	231	1.3
16 - 19	5.2	1,012	5.0	1,050	5.8
20 - 29	12.6	2,326	11.4	2,538	14.1
30 - 44	23.3	4,500	22.1	3,775	20.9
45 - 64	24.2	5,069	24.9	4,233	23.5
65 - 84	11.1	2,875	14.1	2,624	14.5
85 +	1.3	353	1.7	208	1.2
Total	100	20,321	100	18,021	100

**Table 3: Ethnicity**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	People	%	%
Asian or Asian British	2.9	997	4.4	3.5
Black or Black British	0.6	145	0.6	0.7
Chinese	0.3	65	0.3	0.2
Mixed	1.1	260	1.1	-
Other Ethnic group	0.3	40	0.2	0.4
White	94.8	21,175	93.4	95.2
Total	100	22,682	100	100

**Table 4: Religion**

	Borough %	Ward	
		People	%
	Buddhist	0.3	44
Christian	74.3	17,114	75.4
Hindu	0.4	38	0.2
Jewish	0.0	0	0.0
Muslim	1.3	855	3.8
Sikh	1.2	117	0.5
Other religion	0.2	53	0.2
No religion	15.1	2,879	12.7
Religion not stated	7.3	1,583	7.0
Total	100	22,683	100

**HOUSING AND HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS**

**Table 5: Household Structure**

	Households with Dependent Children				Single Person Households		All other Households								Total	
	Lone Parent	Married couple	Cohabiting couple	Other	Single Pensioner	Single non-pensioner	All pensioner	Cohabiting couple with no children	Cohabiting couple with non-dependent children	Married couple no children	Married couple with non-dependent children only	Lone Parent with non-dependent children	All student	Other		
Borough %	7.9	19.7	4.2	2.1	11.5	14.5	7.5	5.0	0.4	14.8	6.3	3.2	0.2	2.6	100	
Ward	Households	664	1,592	327	164	1,595	1,579	961	479	35	1,370	550	335	3	273	9,927
	%	6.7	16.0	3.3	1.7	16.1	15.9	9.7	4.8	0.4	13.8	5.5	3.4	0.0	2.8	100

**Table 6: Tenure**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	Households	%	%
Owner Occupied	68.8	6,795	68.5	66.0
Housing Association/Registered Social Landlord	22.0	2,328	23.5	28.5
Private Landlord	5.9	483	4.9	3.8
Other	3.3	319	3.2	1.8
Total	100	9,925	100	100

**Table 8: Households with Access to A Car or Van**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	Households	%	%
None	22.4	2,648	26.7	31.0
One	45.5	4,667	47.0	45.5
Two or more	32.2	2,612	26.3	23.5
Total	100	9,927	100	100

**Table 7: Dwelling Type**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	Dwellings	%	%
Detached	30.6	2,344	22.8	23.1
Semi-detached	36.7	4,735	46.1	44.1
Terrace (including end terrace)	22.4	1,647	16.0	16.9
Flat	10.3	1,539	15.0	15.8
Total	100	10,265	100	100

**EMPLOYMENT**

**Table 9: Economically Active Population (16+ to 74)**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	People	%	%
Full time employees	66.3	7,143	65.7	65.2
Part-time employees	16.8	1,942	17.9	16.3
Self-employed	8.7	946	8.7	8.1
Un-employed	4.8	493	4.5	8.3
Full time student	3.4	342	3.1	0.9
Govt Scheme	-	-	-	1.2
Total	100	10,866	100	100.0
Economic Activity Rate	68.7	-	66.1	61.2

**Table 10: Industry of Employment**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	People	%	%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1.4	99	1.0	0.6
Mining and Utilities	0.8	86	0.8	3.3
Construction	5.8	641	6.2	7.2
Manufacturing	25.4	2,366	22.9	24.2
Wholesale, Retail and Hotels	20.5	2,198	21.3	21.4
Transport and Communication	4.9	500	4.8	4.4
Finance and Business Services	14.0	1,432	13.9	7.3
Public Services	23.6	2,640	25.6	31.5
Other Services	3.6	369	3.6	
Total	100	10,331	100	100

**Table 11: Standard Occupational Class Of Residents in Employment**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	People	%	%
Managers and Senior Officials	13.8	1,277	12.4	14.2
Professional Occupations	9.0	940	9.1	7.7
Associate professional and technical occupations	11.9	1,219	11.8	6.1
Administrative and secretarial occupations	12.5	1,390	13.5	15.7
Skilled trades occupations	11.9	1,263	12.2	16.2
Personal service occupations	5.9	618	6.0	7.7
Sales and customer service occupations	7.5	826	8.0	9.9
Process, plant and machine operatives	13.2	1,292	12.5	11.5
Elementary occupations (including not stated)	14.4	1,505	14.6	10.9
Total	100	10,330	100	100

**Table 12: Qualifications (all people aged 16 to 74)**

	Borough %	Ward	
		People	%
No qualifications	31.8	5,428	33.0
Level 1: 1+ O level passes, 1+ CSE/GCSE any grades, NVQ Level 1, Foundation GNVQ	18.6	2,859	17.4
Level 2: 5+ O level passes, 5+ CSEs (grade 1s), 5+ GCSEs (Grade AC), School Certificate, 1+ A Levels, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ	21.1	3,560	21.7
Level 3: 2+ A Levels, 4+ AS levels, Higher School Certificate, NVQ level 3, Advanced GNVQ	7.3	1,094	6.7
Level 4/5: First degree, Higher degree, NVQ levels 4 and 5, HNC, HND, Qualified Teacher, Medical Doctor, Dentist, Nurse, Midwife or Health Visitor	14.2	2,295	14.0
Other qualifications/level unknown	6.9	1,203	7.3
Total	100	16,439	100

**Table 13: Means of Travel to Work**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	People	%	%
Mainly work at home	7.8	744	7.2	3.1
Train	1.0	176	1.7	1.7
Bus	4.3	408	4.0	5.3
Motorcycle	1.0	107	1.0	1.7
Driving a car or van	64.4	6,532	63.2	60.0
Passenger in a car or van	9.6	972	9.4	9.8
Bicycle	2.5	252	2.4	4.5
On foot	8.3	1,004	9.7	12.4
Other	1.2	134	1.3	1.5
Total	100	10,329	100	100

## **HEALTH AND CARE**

**Table 14: Long-term Limiting Illness**

	Borough	Ward		
	2001			1991
	%	People	%	%
Yes	18.0	4,614	20.3	13.3
No	82.0	18,070	79.7	86.7
Total	100	22,684	100	100

**Table 15: General Health**

	Borough %	Ward	
		People	%
Good	68.6	14,888	65.6
Fairly good	22.0	5,456	24.1
Not good	9.3	2,340	10.3
Total	100	22,684	100

**Table 16: Provision of Unpaid Care**

	Borough %	Ward	
		People	%
1- 19 hours a week	6.3	1,559	7.7
20 - 49 hours a week	1.2	276	1.4
50 or more hours a week	2.4	560	2.8
Total	9.9	2,395	11.8

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### The Census

The 2001 Census was carried out on the 29<sup>th</sup> April. As the response rate was 94.2% in the Borough, it was necessary for the Office for National Statistics (ONS) to impute missing responses. **All data from the Census are therefore estimates and subject to standard error.**

In order to monitor local trends, 1991 Census data has been modelled to 2001 ward boundaries. Whilst every effort has been made to ensure that this exercise produces accurate results, it must be remembered that at best the 1991 data included in this report are estimates.

Due to rounding, table columns in this document may not sum to the presented total.

### Migration

A migrant is defined as a person with a different address one year before the Census to that on Census Day.

### Ethnicity

The 2001 Census was the first Census to use the "mixed" ethnicity response.

### Dependent Children

A dependent child is a person in a household aged 0-15 years (whether or not in a family) or a person aged 16-18 who is a full-time student and in a family with parents

### Economic Activity

The economically active population is more usually defined as all people aged 16+ who are either full or part time employees, self employed, unemployed or a full time student who is working. To date, ONS have only published data for 16-74 year olds, excluding residents who are 75+ and economically active. It has not been possible to produce ward based estimates of the economically active population from the 1991 Census which excludes those who are aged 75+. However, the percentage of economically active people

who were aged 75+ in the 1991 Census was less than 0.13%.

### Economic Dependency Ratio

The economic dependency ratio is the ratio between people of working age, 16 to 65, and the rest of the population. A high rate indicates that there are disproportionately more people not of working age in a population than working age.

### Unemployment Rate

The Census definition of unemployment is broader and therefore produces a higher unemployment rate than the measure normally used by ONS (residents claiming Job Seekers Allowance).

### Long-term Limiting Illness

An illness, health problem or disability which limits daily activities or the work a person can do.

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