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Summary

The following points provide a brief overview of Neath Port Talbot, drawn from detailed statistics in the main body of this paper. Technical terms have been avoided, and in general the reference periods of the statistics are not mentioned (as these vary).

- Over 130 thousand people live in Neath Port Talbot, which is twice as densely populated as Wales as a whole. The area's population fell by around 2% between 1993 and 2003, compared with a rise of nearly 2% in Wales. (<u>section 2</u>)
- ♦ Nearly 90% of Neath Port Talbot's residents were born in Wales, and 17.8% aged three or more can speak Welsh, compared to 20.5% across Wales. (section 2)
- ◆ Life expectancy at birth for males born in Neath Port Talbot is around a year less than that in Wales, but is similar for females. (section 2)
- ♦ Seven in ten of the working age population are economically active, and 2.7% claim Job-Seekers' Allowance, compared to 2.3% in Wales as a whole. (section 3)
- ◆ The median¹ annual pay for full-time workers in Neath Port Talbot is over £23,000, nearly £2,000 higher than the national median¹. (section 3)
- ♦ A higher percentage of people (nearly 30%) reported having a limiting long-term illness than in Wales (over 23%). (section 4)
- A similar percentage of adults as in Wales met guidelines for the consumption of fruit and vegetables, but a smaller proportion than in Wales met guidelines for physical activity. (section 4)
- ◆ The rates of people waiting for their first outpatient appointment, or day case treatment are lower than those in Wales. (section 4)
- ◆ 57% of pupils in their final year of compulsory education achieved five or more GCSEs grade A*-C (or a vocational equivalent) higher than the equivalent for Wales. (section 5)
- ♦ Similarly to Wales, over 70% of households in Neath Port Talbot are owner-occupied. The median¹ house price in 2005 was around £88,000, almost £40,000 less than the median¹ for Wales as a whole. (section 6)
- The rate of accidents per length of road is noticeably greater than in Wales, but less than half the rate of people are killed or seriously injured in road accidents. (<u>section</u>
- ◆ The rate of all recorded crime is 22 incidents per 1,000 people, similar to the rate for Wales. (section 7)
- ♦ 31% of municipal waste was recycled or composted in 2005-06, higher than the equivalent percentage for the whole of Wales (26%). (section 7)
- ◆ The Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2005 ranks specific small areas in Wales in terms of deprivation. An above average proportion of Neath Port Talbot's areas fall in the 10% most deprived areas in Wales, and the majority of Neath Port Talbot's areas are more deprived than the Wales average. (section 8)

¹ The median is the value with half of all values above and half below (i.e.: the middle value).



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1 Introduction

1.1 Background

This paper provides key statistics for Neath Port Talbot Local Authority area, under a number of topic headings. This is part of a series of Members' Research Service profiles for all local authorities in Wales, published in November 2006. The Members' Research Service will also complete a series of profiles for Assembly constituencies before the end of this Assembly.

Profiles for constituencies and local authorities will differ from each other. Constituencies do not form a standard statistical geography, so the availability of data at this level is limited; data are more readily available on local authorities. Two local authorities (Blaenau Gwent and Isle of Anglesey) are also constituencies, so as well as the local authority profiles in this series they will have separate profiles in the series for constituencies (which will include electoral statistics).

1.2 Structure of this paper

The preceding summary provides a brief overview of the key similarities and differences between Neath Port Talbot and Wales as a whole. This introduction is followed by chapters of narrative and reference tables on statistics for seven topic areas. The information in each table is drawn from several different sources, with details on the sources (including links for further information) and definitions in use listed in the first annex. The second annex shows a map of information on deprivation (see section eight), and the last annex shows a map of the Neath Port Talbot area.

1.3 Sources for further information

Each statistic shown in this paper is sourced in the first annex. More information is available, and some general sources are described below:

- the Office for National Statistics has produced a report² of key statistics from the Census 2001 for local authorities;
- the official labour market statistics website 'nomis' provides local authority profiles;
- the neighbourhood statistics website⁴ provides local area statistics:
- the Welsh Assembly Government's Statistical Directorate⁵ publish some information for local authorities:
- the Local Government Data Unit Wales⁶ publish some information for local authorities including local government performance indicators.

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=10151

http://www.nomisweb.co.uk

http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk

⁵ http://www.wales.gov.uk/statistics

http://www.dataunitwales.gov.uk/eng/Data.asp

2 Population and Vital Statistics

The population of Neath Port Talbot is around 135 thousand people and with around 300 people per square kilometre, the authority is more than twice as densely populated as Wales as a whole. The population size given in table 1 is from the 2001 Census. There are also annual mid-year population estimates available for Neath Port Talbot, and these are shown below in figure 1, from 1991. The population in the area fell by around 2% between 1993 and 2003, compared to an overall rise of around 2% in Wales.

1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005

Figure 1: Mid-year population estimates for Neath Port Talbot

Source: Office for National Statistics (from StatsWales tables 003121 and 003122)

The distribution of its population in terms of age and sex is similar to that of Wales, although there is a slightly higher proportion of people of retirement age. Nearly 90% of people in the area were born in Wales, compared to around three-quarters nationally. Although a lower percentage of people aged over three can speak Welsh, the proportion with one or more Welsh language skills is comparable to that found nationally.

Death rates from all causes in Neath Port Talbot are higher than those found nationally among both males and females. Standardised mortality ratios for those aged under 75 (which are age adjusted) are also higher in the area, particularly amongst males. The average life expectancy at birth of a male in Neath Port Talbot is around a year less than the average in Wales as a whole.



Table 1: Population and Vital Statistics

Data are for 2001 unless another year is given

Ref	f	Neath Port Talbot	Wales	Units
a b a a	Population: Total population Change in population, 1993-2003 Area Population density	134,468 -2.1 441 305	2,903,085 1.9 20,742 140	Number Per cent Square kilometres Number per sq km
a a	Population groups: Males Females	48.3 51.7	48.4 51.6	Per cent Per cent
C C	Aged 0-15 Working age Retirement age	19.6 59.3 21.0	20.2 59.7 20.1	Per cent Per cent Per cent
a a	Non-White Ethnic Group Single (never married)	1.1 25.5	2.1 28.0	Per cent Per cent of those aged 16+
d	Place of birth: Wales Other UK Elsewhere in EU Non-EU	89.5 8.7 0.9 1.0	75.4 21.4 1.3 1.9	Per cent Per cent Per cent Per cent
а	Religion: Christian Muslim Other No religion/Not stated	72.1 0.2 0.5 27.1	71.9 0.7 0.8 26.6	Per cent Per cent Per cent Per cent
е	Welsh: Can speak Welsh One or more skills in Welsh Identified as Welsh	17.8 28.8 17.0	20.5 28.4 14.4	Per cent of those aged 3+ Per cent of those aged 3+ Per cent of those aged 3+
f	Life expectancy at birth, 2002-04: Males Females	74.5 80.1	75.8 80.3	Years Years
g	Deaths from all causes, 2004: Persons Males Females	12.0 11.5 12.5	10.9 10.6 11.1	Rate per 1,000 Rate per 1,000 Rate per 1,000
h	Standardised Mortality Ratio, 2000- 2004: Persons Males Females	107 136 81	100 124 78	Ratio for those aged under 75 Ratio for those aged under 75 Ratio for those aged under 75
i j k	Vital statistics: Live births, 2005 Underage conceptions, 2002-04 Low birth weight, 2004	57.4 8.4 7.4	56.1 8.0 7.6	Rate per 1,000 females 15-44 Rate per 1,000 females 13-15 Per cent of births

3 Economic and Labour Market Statistics

Just over 70% of the working age population of Neath Port Talbot are economically active, and the equivalent figure for Wales as a whole is just over 75%. There are fewer jobs per head of the working age population (jobs density) than in Wales and proportionally more economically active people in the area are unemployed. An above average proportion of jobs are in the manufacturing and construction sectors, which together account for around 30% of employee jobs. The median gross annual earnings of full time employees in Neath Port Talbot is over £23,000, nearly £2,000 above the national median.

Figure 2 shows the rate of working age people claiming Job-Seekers' Allowance over time. Compared to Wales, in 2005 a slightly higher rate of both males and females in the local authority claimed Job-Seekers' Allowance, and a higher proportion of claimants came from the youngest (under 25 year old) age group.

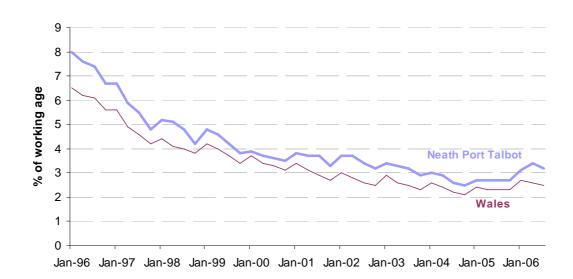


Figure 2: Job Seekers' Allowance claimants in Neath Port Talbot & Wales

Source: Department for Work and Pensions (on NOMIS)

In terms of other benefits, a higher proportion of people (nearly one-fifth of working age males) in the area claim incapacity benefits, and proportionally more households claim income support.

In 2005-06, 200 National Insurance Number allocations were made to foreign nationals resident in Neath Port Talbot, which was 1.2% of the total allocations for foreign nationals resident in Wales.



Table 2: Economic and Labour Market Statistics

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4 Health and Social Services Statistics

Nearly 30% of the population of Neath Port Talbot have a limiting long term illness compared to 23% of all Welsh residents. Sixteen per cent of people in the area report their general health as being 'not good' and over 4% of the population provide unpaid care for 50 or more hours per week.

Figure 3 shows the percentage of adults who reported that they were being treated for specific illnesses in Neath Port Talbot. Proportionally more adults in the area than in Wales as a whole reported receiving treatment for all the illnesses shown. The average physical component summary score of adults in Neath Port Talbot is nearly two points lower than the Welsh average, indicating a lower level of physical health and well-being.

20 ■ Neath Port Talbot % 15 10 5 High blood Arthritis Any heart Any Any mental Diabetes pressure condition respiratory illness excluding illness high blood pressure

Figure 3: Adults who reported being treated for illnesses in Neath Port Talbot & Wales, 2003/05

Source: Welsh Health Survey

In terms of health-related lifestyles, there is a slightly greater proportion of adult smokers in Neath Port Talbot than in Wales, and a greater proportion of overweight or obese adults. A higher percentage of adults in the area met guidelines for undertaking physical activity, but a similar percentage met guidelines for eating fruit and vegetables.



Table 3: Health and Social Services Statistics

Ref		Neath Port Talbot	Wales	Units
а	Key health information, 2001:			
	Limiting long-term illness General health 'not good' Providing unpaid care for 50+ hours a week	29.4 16.4 4.2	23.3 12.5 3.1	Per cent of the population Per cent of the population Per cent of the population
b	Currently being treated for, 2003/05:			
	High blood pressure Any heart condition excluding high blood pressure Any respiratory illness	19 11 17	18 10 14	Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+
	Any mental illness Arthritis Diabetes	10 17 7	9 14 5	Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+
С	SF-36 (higher scores mean better health), 2003/05:			
	Physical Component Summary Score Mental Component Summary Score	46.8 48.9	48.7 49.7	Mean for those aged 16+ Mean for those aged 16+
d	Deaths from selected causes (European standardised rate), 2004:			
	All malignant neoplasms: Males Females Ischaemic heart disease: Males Females Cerebrovascular disease:	137.0 132.7 94.9 33.1	141.6 111.0 86.6 32.2	Rate per 100,000 under 75 Rate per 100,000 under 75 Rate per 100,000 under 75 Rate per 100,000 under 75
	Males Females Respiratory disease: Males	30.9 18.8 38.0	20.3 16.5 31.5	Rate per 100,000 under 75 Rate per 100,000 under 75 Rate per 100,000 under 75
	Females	29.5	24.7	Rate per 100,000 under 75
е	Health-related lifestyle, 2003/05:			
f g h i j	Smoker Binge-drinking at least once in the past 7 days Met fruit and vegetable guidelines the previous day Met physical activity guidelines over the past 7 days Overweight or obese	29 20 40 26 56	27 19 40 29 54	Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+



4 Health and Social Services Statistics (continued)

There are fewer GPs and slightly fewer dentists per head of the population in Neath Port Talbot than in Wales, although adult usage of these services is similar to the national figures.

Slightly lower rates of people in Neath Port Talbot are on a hospital waiting list for a first outpatient appointment or day case treatment relative to Wales. Of those people waiting to be seen, a smaller proportion in Neath Port Talbot than in Wales have been waiting for longer than six months.

The total rate of hospital admissions in the area is relatively high at 260 per 1,000 people compared to fewer than 200 per 1,000 people in Wales.

There is a higher rate of 'looked after' children in Neath Port Talbot than in Wales, and a higher rate of children on the child protection register. The rate of social service assessments conducted on those aged over 65 is higher than the equivalent rate for Wales, and the provision of community based services to older people is more common.



Table 3: Health and Social Services Statistics (continued)

Ref		Neath Port Talbot	Wales	Units
b	Use of health services, 2003/05:			
	Family doctor (GP) in the past two weeks Outpatient department in the past three months Inpatient in the past year	17 21 11	17 19 10	Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+
	Pharmacist in the past year Dentist in the past year Optician in the past year	79 67 46	80 67 46	Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+ Per cent of those aged 16+
k	Health facilities, 2005:			
	General Practitioners (GPs) Average GP list size General dental practitioners	5.5 1,816 3.3	6.2 1,650 3.5	Rate per 10,000 people Number of patients Rate per 10,000 people
1	GP prescribing, 2004-05:			
	Average number of prescription items Average cost of prescriptions	19.5 196.27	18.3 195.39	Number per person £,p per person
m	Waiting lists, 2006:			
	Waiting for: First outpatient appointment Inpatient admission Day case treatment	640.3 126.0 94.1	678.6 124.3 108.8	Rate per 10,000 people Rate per 10,000 people Rate per 10,000 people
	Waiting more than 3 months for: First outpatient appointment First inpatient or daycase treatment	41.4 47.3	44.2 47.4	Per cent of total waiting Per cent of total waiting
	Waiting more than 6 months for: First outpatient appointment First inpatient or daycase treatment	17.4 18.9	20.2 21.4	Per cent of total waiting Per cent of total waiting
n	Hospital activity, 2004-05: Inpatient admissions:			
	Elective Emergency Total Day case admissions Total inpatient and day case admissions	73.3 130.9 204.2 55.5 259.8	45.5 113.3 158.8 39.2 198.0	Rate per 1,000 people Rate per 1,000 people Rate per 1,000 people Rate per 1,000 people Rate per 1,000 people
0	Social Services for children aged under 18, 2005:			
	Looked after children On child protection register at 31 March	8.6 39.7	6.7 34.8	Rate per 1,000 children Rate per 10,000 children
О	Social Services for people aged 65+, 2004-05:			
	Assessment Community based services Residential care Nursing home care	160.0 223.4 23.8 14.7	121.8 150.4 27.0 13.6	Rate per 1,000 aged 65+ Rate per 1,000 aged 65+ Rate per 1,000 aged 65+ Rate per 1,000 aged 65+



5 Education and Training Statistics

Over 21% of the working age population of Neath Port Talbot hold no qualifications compared to less than 17% in Wales. Conversely less than 19% in Neath Port Talbot are qualified at equivalent to NVQ level four or above compared to around 24% in Wales.

Figure 4 shows the percentage of pupils in their final year of compulsory education who achieved five or more GCSEs grade A*-C (or a vocational equivalent), over time. In recent years, the percentage in Neath Port Talbot has risen above the national level, and the average GCSE points score in the area is also higher.

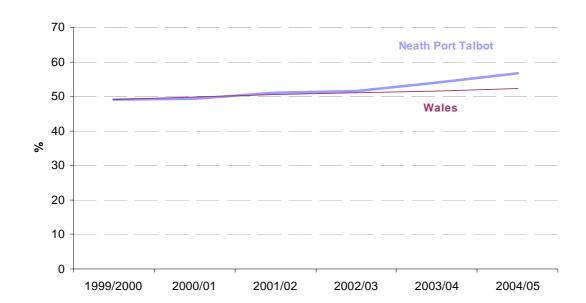


Figure 4: % achieving 5+ GCSE grades A*-C or equivalent in Neath Port Talbot & Wales

Source: StatsWales table $\underline{001897}$ and Statistical Directorate $\underline{\text{Release}}$

A higher percentage of A level exam entrants in the local authority achieve two or more A levels at grades A-C (or equivalent) than do so nationally. The average A level points score in the area is 20.9, compared to 20.5 throughout Wales as a whole.

Pupil teacher ratios and average class sizes in Neath Port Talbot are broadly similar to those found in Wales, although the average class size in secondary years 12 and 13 in the authority is slightly larger.



Table 4: Education and Training Statistics

Data are for 2004/05 unless another year is given

Ref		Neath Port Talbot	Wales	Units
а	Qualifications, 2005:			
	NVQ4 and above	18.5	24.0	Per cent of working age
	NVQ3 and above	36.3	41.6	Per cent of working age
	NVQ2 and above	55.8	62.0	Per cent of working age
	NVQ1 and above	71.9	76.3	Per cent of working age
	Other Qualifications	6.7	7.0	Per cent of working age
	No Qualifications	21.4	16.6	Per cent of working age
b	GCSE Examination Performance:			
	5+ GCSE / Equivalent Grades A*-C	56.7	52.2	Per cent
	5+ GCSE / Equivalent Grades A*-G	88.0	85.2	Per cent
	Average GCSE / GNVQ points score	41.2	40.3	Score
С	A Level Examination Performance:			
	2+ A Level / Equivalent Grades A-C	72.2	67.6	Per cent
	2+ A Level / Equivalent Grades A-E	96.5	94.4	Per cent
	Average A Level / Equivalent points score	20.9	20.5	Score
d	Pupil teacher ratios:			
	Primary schools	20.3	20.7	Ratio
	Secondary schools	16.6	16.7	Ratio
	Special schools	6.4	6.3	Ratio
d	Average Class Sizes:			
	Primary KS1	24.7	24.3	Number of pupils
	Primary KS2	25.6	25.0	Number of pupils
	Secondary Years 7-11	22.0	22.5	Number of pupils
	Secondary Years 12-13	12.1	10.5	Number of pupils



6 Housing Statistics

There are around 58 thousand households in Neath Port Talbot with an average size of 2.3 people. Over half of the households in the area include at least one person with a limiting long term illness.

Nearly 5% of household spaces in Neath Port Talbot are vacant, but a lower proportion than in Wales are classed as second homes or holiday accommodation. Over 70% of homes are owner occupied and, compared to Wales, a higher percentage of homes are rented from the local authority and a lower percentage from private landlords.

The median house price in the area in 2005 was £88,000, nearly £40,000 lower than the national median. However the median house price in the area increased at nearly twice the national rate in 2004-05. A smaller proportion of the Neath Port Talbot population were accepted as being statutory homeless by the local authority compared to Wales as a whole.



Table 5: Housing Statistics

Data are for 2001 unless another year is given

Ref		Neath Port Talbot	Wales	Units
а	Households:			
	Total Average size	57,609 2.3	1,209,048 2.4	Number Number of members
	One person Lone parent with dependent children Pensioner One or more person with limiting long-term illness	30.3 7.9 26.4 51.1	29.1 7.3 25.6 42.4	Per cent Per cent Per cent Per cent
	No central heating	4.0	7.5	Per cent
а	Household spaces:			
	Total household spaces Vacant Second home/holiday accommodation	60,606 4.8 0.2	1,275,816 4.0 1.2	Number Per cent Per cent
а	Tenure:			
	Owner Occupied Local Authority Housing Association/Registered Social Landlord Private Landlord Other	71.3 16.6 3.7 5.1 3.4	71.3 13.7 4.2 7.4 3.3	Per cent Per cent Per cent Per cent Per cent
b	Homelessness decisions, 2004:			
	Eligible, unintentionally homeless and in priority need	2.8	3.4	Per 1,000 population
С	Median house prices:			
	2004 2005 Change 2004-05	75,500 88,000 16.6	115,000 125,000 8.7	£ £ Per cent
d	Average Council Tax per dwelling, 2006-07	860	832	£



7 Transport, Crime and Environment Statistics

Over 30% of households in Neath Port Talbot do not have a car or van, compared to around a quarter of households nationally. Three quarters of those aged 16-74 and in employment travel to work by car while less than 6% use public transport.

In Neath Port Talbot, the volume of traffic per unit length of road is almost double that in Wales, and the rates of road accidents and casualties per length of road are more than 50% greater than for Wales as a whole. There are, however, lower rates of casualties from road traffic accidents per head of the population, particularly 'killed or seriously injured' casualties.

The overall rate of recorded crimes in Neath Port Talbot is very similar to that in Wales. In terms of categories of crime, there are proportionally fewer recorded incidents of vehicle and other theft and proportionally more recorded burglaries in Neath Port Talbot than in Wales.

Just over 30% of municipal waste in Neath Port Talbot was recycled or composted in 2005-06, higher than the Welsh percentage of 26%. Although biological river quality in Neath Port Talbot is more likely to be of a good standard than that in Wales, chemical river quality is at a lower level.



Table 6: Transport, Crime and Environment Statistics

Ref		Neath Port Talbot	Wales	Units
	Transport			
а	Use of transport, 2001:			
	Households without a car or van Households with 2 or more car/vans Travel to work by car Travel to work by public transport	30.2 23.2 75.0 5.9	26.0 28.5 70.7 6.5	Per cent of households Per cent of households Per cent of 16-74 in employment Per cent of 16-74 in employment
b	Road accidents, 2004:			
	Accidents Casualties Casualties - slight Casualties - killed or seriously injured	45.7 62.3 366.1 22.1	28.1 40.3 411.5 52.1	Rate per 100km road Rate per 100km road Rate per 100,000 population Rate per 100,000 population
С	Volume of traffic (billion vehicle km)	1.49	0.80	Per 1,000 km of road
d	Years of life lost by death due to motor vehicle accident, 2000-2004	16.6	16.2	Per 10,000 population
	Crime			
е	All recorded crime, Jan-Mar 2005:	22.0	21.9	Rate per 1,000 population
	Violence against the person Burglary Vehicle and other theft Criminal damage	4.7 3.1 6.7 5.6	4.4 2.3 7.6 5.5	Rate per 1,000 population Rate per 1,000 population Rate per 1,000 population Rate per 1,000 population
	Environment			
f	Municipal waste recycled or composted, 2005-06	30.6	25.9	Per cent
g	Chemical river quality, 2005			
	Good quality Good or fair quality	82.5 91.8	94.6 98.2	Per cent of river length Per cent of river length
g	Biological river quality, 2005			
	Good quality Good or fair quality	83.8 100.0	79.7 99.2	Per cent of river length Per cent of river length



8 Deprivation Statistics

The Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2005 (WIMD⁷) is a measure of deprivation for small areas in Wales. It ranks statistical geographies known as Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) in terms of deprivation across various domains such as health and employment, as well as providing an overall deprivation rank. Although WIMD does not provide deprivation ranks for local authorities as a whole it is possible to look at the rank of LSOAs within a local authority.

In Neath Port Talbot (which has 91 LSOAs):

- seventeen LSOAs (19%) fall within the 10% most deprived LSOAs in Wales;
- the majority (73%) of LSOAs are more deprived than the Wales average⁸.

In relation to Wales as a whole, this means that a relatively high proportion of areas in Neath Port Talbot are among the 10% most deprived, and overall most areas fall in the more deprived half of Wales.

The map of Neath Port Talbot in annex 2 shows LSOAs within the area shaded according to their overall level of deprivation, seen in relation to Electoral Division boundaries.

Figure 5 shows that there are above average proportions (i.e. more than 10%) of Neath Port Talbot's LSOAs in the 10% most deprived in Wales for all domains except education, geographical access to services and housing.

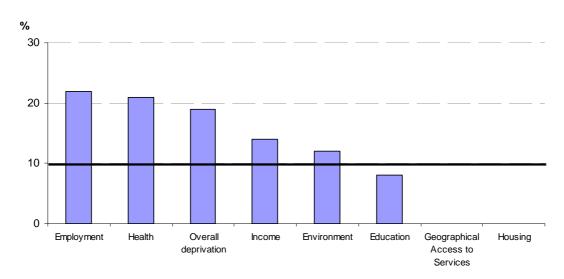


Figure 5: The % of LSOAs in Neath Port Talbot that are in the 10% most deprived LSOAs in Wales, for overall deprivation and by domain, 2005

Source: Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2005

For more details please see the source of these statistics, the WIMD 2005 reports for local authorities.

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/theme/wimd2005

⁸ The 'Wales average' means the median area according to the WIMD 2005 ranking, so that half of all LSOAs in Wales are more deprived and half are less deprived than the 'Wales average'.

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/theme/wimd2005/results/analysis-revised



Annex 1: Sources and notes

Small discrepancies in Census statistics

In the sources listed above, similar Census statistics may be available from more than one table, and there are rare but occasional discrepancies in counts between tables. For example the counts of households in table KS16 (household spaces and accommodation type) and KS20 (household composition) differ by one or two households (out of a typical 50,000) for some local authorities. This is usually because cells in tables are randomly adjusted to avoid the release of confidential data.

Re Source & Notes f

Table 1: Population and Vital Statistics

1-a Neighbourhood Statistics, 2001 Census: Key Statistics (tables KS01, KS04, KS06A & KS07) http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/

Area measurements are based on the 2001 version of the Ordnance Survey Boundary-Line data-set, amended where district boundaries have changed since 2001, and do not include inland water. Area is on Census Day 29th April 2001.

'Non-white ethnic group' includes people from a mixed white-other ethnic group.

- 1-b ONS, Key Population and Vital Statistics 2004 (table 3) http://www.statistics.gov.uk/kpys
- 1-c NOMIS, 2001 Census: Census Area Statistics (table CAS002)

http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/home/census2001.asp

Working age is 16-64 for males, 16-59 for females.

Retirement age is 65+ for males, 60+ for females.

1-d Neighbourhood Statistics, 2001 Census: Key Statistics (table KS05)

http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/

- The EU is as defined on Census day (29 April 2001).
- 1-e Neighbourhood Statistics, 2001 Census: Key Statistics (table KS06A & KS25)

http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/

One or more skills in Welsh means speaks, reads, writes and/or understands Welsh.

Identified as Welsh' means those who have written 'Welsh' or 'Cymraeg' or similar in one or more of the write-in boxes in the ethnic group question.

1-f StatsWales (table 002608)

http://www.statswales.wales.gov.uk/TableViewer/tableView.aspx?ReportId=2608

The figures are constructed from the estimated population and total deaths by single year/quinary age each year, based on a three year average. The "expected years of life" is the lifetime of a newborn person, if they were subject throughout their lives to the average recorded death rate of the three year period. Such a calculation excludes future improvements to mortality rates.

1-g StatsWales (table 001883)

http://www.statswales.wales.gov.uk/TableViewer/tableView.aspx?ReportId=1883

Death rate is calculated as the number of deaths occurring in each calendar year per 1,000 residents, estimated at 30 June of each year.

1-h StatsWales (table 002468)

http://www.statswales.wales.gov.uk/TableViewer/tableView.aspx?ReportId=2468

Standardised Mortality Ratios are calculated as the number of actual deaths in each area in a given period of years, as a percentage of deaths which would have been expected if the local population had experienced the age-specific mortality rates in Wales as a whole during that period.

1-i ONS, Births (provisional) 2005

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=14408



Re f	Source & Notes
1-j	ONS, Conceptions in England and Wales, 2004, in Health Statistics Quarterly 29 http://www.statistics.gov.uk/STATBASE/ssdataset.asp?vlnk=9226 Underage means aged under 16 years old. Numbers and rates for 2004 conceptions are provisional.
1-k	Health Statistics Wales 2006 (table 1.6) http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/hsw2006/ Live and still births under 2,500g per 100 births with a stated birthweight.

Table 2: Economic and Labour Market Statistics

2-a NOMIS official labour market statistics

http://www.nomisweb.co.uk

http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/Imp/la/2038432112/report.aspx Local Authority Profile

Information on economically active/inactive from the Annual Population Survey January - December 2005.

Information on the National Statistics Socio-economic Classification is from Census Area Statistics table CAS042. The 3 class version is used, for further details please see the link below:

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/nsbase/methods_quality/ns_sec/downloads/NS-SEC_User.pdf

Information on employee jobs is from the Annual Business Inquiry employee analysis 2004, included in the Local Authority profile at September 2006. Tourism-related jobs are a subset of the Services category. Information on jobs density is from Jobs density 2004, included in the Local Authority profile at September 2006. Jobs density is the total number of filled jobs in an area divided by the resident population of working age in that area. The number of jobs in an area is composed of jobs done by residents (of any age) and jobs done by workers (of any age) who commute into the area. The working-age population comprises residents of working age who work in the area plus workers of working age who commute out of the area to work in other areas and those who are unemployed or economically inactive of working age. JSA claimant counts averaged over the twelve month period January - December 2005.

2-b ONS, 2006 Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (tables 8.1a & 8.7a)

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/ashe

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_labour/ASHE_2006/tab8_1a.xls

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_labour/ASHE_2006/tab8_7a.xls

This is the median pay for all employee jobs, including full-time and part-time jobs. The median is the value with half of all values above and half below (i.e.: the middle value).

- 2-c Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) Tabulation Tool http://www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/tabtool.asp
- 2-d DWP, Working age claimants of incapacity benefits, February 2006

 http://193.115.152.21/100pc/wapop/ccla/ccstatgp/a cnpop r ccla c ccstatgp feb06.html

 Includes those receiving Incapacity Benefit or Severe Disablement Allowance. Incapacity Benefit is paid to people who are assessed as being incapable of work and who meet certain contribution conditions. Until April 2001, people who were incapable of work and did not satisfy the contribution conditions for Incapacity Benefit could get Severe Disablement Allowance.
- 2-e DWP, Income Support, February 2006
 http://193.115.152.21/100pc/is/ccla/ccsex/ccgor/a_carate_r_ccla_c_ccsex_p_ccgor_wales_feb06.html

 Income Support is intended to help people on low incomes who do not have to be available for employment. The main types of people who receive it are lone parents, the long and short-term sick, people with disabilities and other special groups. Rates are calculated using 2001 Census estimates of numbers of households from http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/ (table KS16).
- 2-f DWP, Pension Credit, February 2006

 http://193.115.152.21/100pc/pc/ccla/pctype/ccgor/a benefic r ccla c pctype p ccgor wales feb06.html

 Pension Credit is designed to help pensioners at the lower end of the income scale by ensuring a
 guaranteed minimum weekly income (guaranteed credit) and, in addition, to reward those people who
 have made modest provision for their retirement (savings credit). Rates are calculated using mid-2005
 estimates of the population aged 60+, from StatsWales table 003122.



Re Source & Notes f

2-g DWP, National Insurance Number (NINo) Registrations of non-UK Nationals, 2005-06
100% sample at 25th June 2005 from the National Insurance Recording System (NIRS). Numbers are rounded to the nearest ten. Local Authority counts are based on the most recently recorded address of the NINo recipient, assigned to an Authority by matching postcodes against the relevant postcode

Information supplied by DWP and the Local Government Data Unit -Wales. See the following DWP report for further information on NINo allocations made to overseas nationals entering the UK.

http://www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd1/niall/niall_report.pdf

Table 3: Health and Social Services Statistics

- 3-a Neighbourhood Statistics, 2001 Census: Key Statistics (table KS08) http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/
- 3-b Welsh Health Survey, 2003/05

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/headlines/health-2006/hdw20060906/?lang=en

Figures for local authorities are based on a sample of between 1.100 and 2,200 adults.

Results are age-standardised, to take account of possible differences in the age distributions of areas being compared.

Data collection is through self-completion questionnaire, so results reflect people's own understanding of their health rather than a clinical assessment of their medical condition.

3-c See source and notes at 3-b.

The SF-36 is a standard set of 36 health status questions asking respondents about their own perception of their physical and mental health and the impact it has on their daily lives. Responses can be combined to produce summary scores for both physical and mental health. For further details, please see the Welsh Health Survey link above, or:

www.sf-36.org

3-d Health Statistics Wales 2006 (table 1.13)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/hsw2006/

European standardised death rates are a way of comparing death rates for populations whose age and sex distribution vary. It eliminates from the trends the increase or decrease that may be due to changes in the age/sex structure of the population. In this case they are calculated by applying the age-specific death rates for 5 year age bands and by sex for the Welsh population in a given year to a standard European population to estimate the rates for the standard population had the Welsh age-specific rates by sex applied in that standard population.

- 3-e See source and notes at 3-b.
- 3-f The figure includes daily and occasional smokers.
- Refers to the most units drunk on any one day in the past seven days. Binge-drinking is defined as men drinking more than 8 units a day, women more than 6 units. For example, a small glass of wine is one unit, and a pint of normal strength lager is two. The proportion is based on all adults (including non-drinkers).
- 3-h Guidelines recommend eating at least five portions of a variety of fruit and vegetables each day. Examples of portions are one apple, or three tablespoons of vegetables.
- 3-i Guidelines currently recommend that adults do at least 30 minutes of at least moderate intensity physical activity (such as heavy gardening or fast walking), on five or more days a week.
- 3-j The Body Mass Index (BMI) is a measure of overweight and obesity, allowing for differences in weight due to height. Adults are defined as being overweight or obese if they have a BMI of 25 or more.



Re Source & Notes f

3-k Health Statistics Wales 2006 (tables 5.6 & 5.9)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/hsw2006/

General Practitioners at 30 September 2005, excluding GP registrars, GP retainers, and locums. Average GP list size is the number of registered patients divided by the number of all practitioners. General dental practitioners (principals, assistants and vocational trainees) at 30 September 2005. Rates are calculated using 2005 mid-year estimates of population from StatsWales table 003122.

3-I Health Statistics Wales 2006 (table 5.16)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/hsw2006/

Prescriptions in the year ending 31 March 2005.

3-m Health Statistics Wales 2006 (tables 6.2, 6.3 & 6.4)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/hsw2006/

Waiting lists for all specialities, at 31 March 2006

Waiting lists reported by Local Health Boards include all those resident in the area who are waiting for NHS-funded treatment. This will include those waiting for treatment at NHS hospitals outside Wales and at private hospitals where the Local Health Board is providing funding for the treatment.

3-n Health Statistics Wales 2006 (table 8.1)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/hsw2006/

Data relating to in-patients and day cases are obtained from the Patient Episode Database for Wales (PEDW). Some NHS activity undertaken using the U.K. independent sector is not included in these figures.

3-o Social Services Statistics Wales 2004-05: Authority Profiles

http://www.dataunitwales.gov.uk/eng/pss.asp?cat=227&year=2005

"Looked after" is the term used to describe all children who are the subject of a care order, or who are provided with accommodation on a voluntary basis for more than 24 hours.

Child protection registers contain information on all children in the area who are considered to be suffering from or are likely to suffer significant harm.

Table 4: Education and Training Statistics

4-a NOMIS official labour market statistics

http://www.nomisweb.co.uk

Information from the Annual Population Survey, January - December 2005. The link below provides detailed definitions of the qualification levels.

http://www.statswales.wales.gov.uk/tableviewer/document.aspx?FileId=690

4-b GCSE/GNVQ and GCE A, AS and AVCE results in Wales, 2004/05 (table 2)

 $\underline{\text{http://new.wales.gov.uk/legacy_en/keypubstatisticsforwales/content/publication/schoolsteach/2005/sdr118-2005/sdr118-2005.pdf}$

GCSE/GNVQ data relate to the examination achievements of pupils in their final year of compulsory education at maintained schools (figures for Wales include independent schools).

4-c GCSE/GNVQ and GCE A, AS and AVCE results in Wales, 2004/05 (table 6)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/legacy_en/keypubstatisticsforwales/content/publication/schoolsteach/2005/sdr118-2005/sdr118-2005.pdf

These A Level / Equivalent results relate to the examination achievements of pupils in maintained schools, aged 17 at the start of the academic year, entering two or more A/AS levels or a vocational equivalent. Figures for Wales include independent schools, but exclude further education institutions.

4-d Schools in Wales: General Statistics 2005 (tables 11.4, 11.5 & 11.6)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/swgs2005/?lang=en

Results for maintained schools, at January 2005.

Primary KS1 includes reception and mixed nursery/reception classes.



Re Source & Notes f

Table 5: Housing Statistics

5-a Neighbourhood Statistics, 2001 Census: Key Statistics (tables KS16, KS18, KS19, KS20 & KS21) http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/

A household comprises one person living alone, or a group of people living at the same address with common housekeeping (sharing a living room/sitting room or at least one meal a day). 'Total households' refers to households with residents; 'total household spaces' to households with or without residents. A dependent child is a person in a household aged 0-15 (whether or not in a family) or a person aged 16-18 who is a full time student in a family with parent(s).

5-b Welsh Housing Statistics 2005 (table 7.2)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/whs2005/

Based on decisions taken by the local authority under Part VII of the Housing Act 1996.

5-c Department for Communities and Local Government Housing Statistics (table 586) http://www.communities.gov.uk/index.asp?id=1156110

Median house prices based on Land Registry data. Excluded from the above figures are sales at less than market price (eg Right To Buy), sales below £1,000 and sales above £20m. The median is the value with half of all values above and half below (i.e.: the middle value).

5-d Statistical Directorate (Welsh Assembly Government), Average Council Tax per dwelling, 2006-07 Average council tax per dwelling is calculated from all chargeable dwellings before disabled discounts and reductions are taken into account. Exempt dwellings are excluded."

Table 6: Transport, Crime and Environment Statistics

6-a Neighbourhood Statistics, 2001 Census: Key Statistics (tables KS15 & KS17)

http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/

Travel to work by car' means driving (or as a passenger in) a car or van, or by taxi/minicab. 'Travel to work by public transport' means by underground, metro, light rail, tram, train, bus, mini bus or coach.

6-b 2004 Road Casualties Wales (tables 3.6 & 5.8)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/rcw2004/

Total road length is as at 1 April 2004, excluding green lanes and footpaths.

6-c 2004 Road Casualties Wales (tables 3.6 & 12.1)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/rcw2004/

Volume of traffic excluding pedal cycles. Vehicle kilometre: One vehicle times one kilometre travelled. For example, 1 vehicle travelling 1 kilometre a day for a year would be 365 vehicle kilometres.

6-d Health Statistics Wales 2006 (table 1.15)

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/hsw2006/

The number of deaths of people aged under 75 in each 5 year age-group is multiplied by the difference between the midpoint of the age group and 74.5. The average annual years of life lost are obtained by summing across the age groups and dividing by 5.

6-e Crime in England and Wales 2004/05 (statistics by region and area)

www.crimestatistics.org.uk

These statistics are drawn from police recorded crime figures, and have not been seasonally adjusted. Further details on crime type definitions can be found through the link above.

6-f Municipal Waste Management Survey 2005-06

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/headlines/env-2006/hdw200610243/

Data from the Municipal Waste Management Survey 2005-06 (excludes abandoned vehicles). Municipal waste is household waste plus waste from non-household sources.

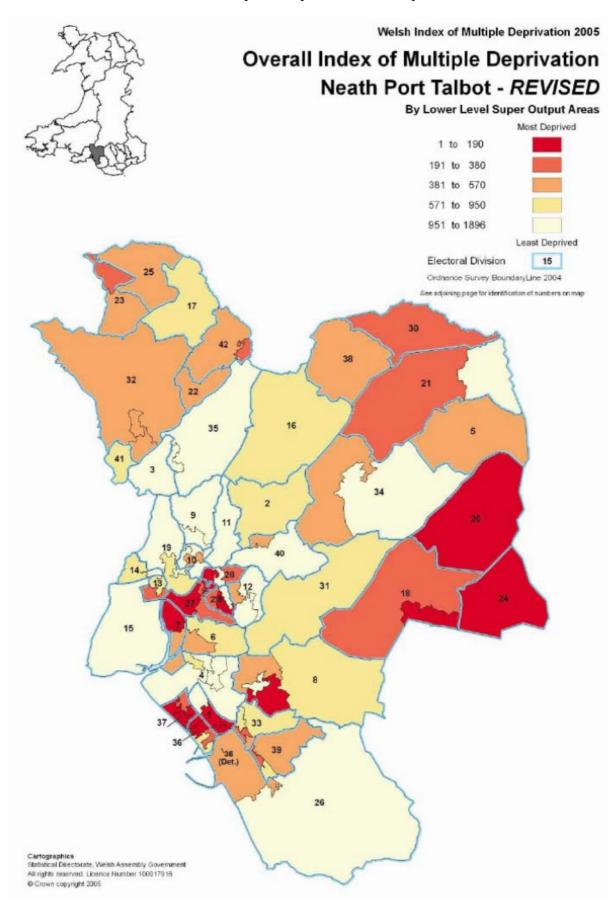
6-g Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, River Quality Database 2005

http://www2.defra.gov.uk/db/rq/gorlist.asp

These data are best estimates of monitored river water quality. River courses and catchment areas often cross local authority boundaries and therefore the quality of some river waters within a single area may be affected by factors outside the borders of the authority. The same is true to a lesser extent for Wales.



Annex 2: Overall Index of Multiple Deprivation map for Neath Port Talbot¹⁰



 $^{^{10} \, \}underline{\text{http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/theme/wimd2005/results/analysis-revised}}$



Key to map:		
1. Aberavon	Crynant	31. Pelenna
2. Aberdulais	17. Cwmllynfell	Pontardawe
3. Allt-Wen	18. Cymmer	33. Port Talbot
4. Baglan	Dyffryn	Resolven
Blaengwrach	Glyncorrwg	35. Rhos
6. Briton Ferry East	21. Glynneath	Sandfields East
7. Briton Ferry West	22. Godre'r Graig	Sandfields East (DET)
Bryn and Cwmavon	Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen	 Sandfields West
Bryn-Coch North	24. Gwynfi	Seven Sisters
Bryn-Coch South	Lower Brynamman	39. Tai-bach
Cadoxton	26. Margam	40. Tonna
12. Cimla	27. Neath East	41. Trebanos
Coedffranc Central	28. Neath North	42. Ystalyfera
Coedffranc North	Neath South	_

30. Onllwyn

15. Coedffranc West



Annex 3: Map of Neath Port Talbot

