

National Statistics – 2001 Area Classification

A Doncaster Summary

Introduction

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) has developed an area classification system using data from the 2001 census. The purpose of the system is to group together areas with similar population characteristics¹. This will enable Doncaster data to be compared with areas with similar demographic and socio-economic profiles. This exercise has been undertaken for local authorities, PCTs and statistical wards². More details can be accessed from the National Statistics website at: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/> .

The classification is based on forty-two variables in six categories (demography, household composition, housing, socio-economics, employment and industrial sector). The area classification has been produced at three hierarchical levels: 8 supergroups, 13 groups and 24 subgroups. ONS recommend that in most circumstances the group is the best level to use.

Table 1: ONS 2001 area classification

Supergroup	Group	Number of subgroups
Cities and services	Regional centres	1
	Centres with industry	2
	Thriving London periphery	2
London suburbs	London suburbs	2
London centre	London centre	2
London cosmopolitan	London cosmopolitan	2
Prospering UK	Prospering smaller towns	3
	New and growing towns	1
	Prospering southern England	1
Costal and countryside	Costal and countryside	3
Mining and industrial	Industrial hinterlands	2
	Mining and manufacturing	2
Northern Ireland countryside	Northern Ireland countryside	1

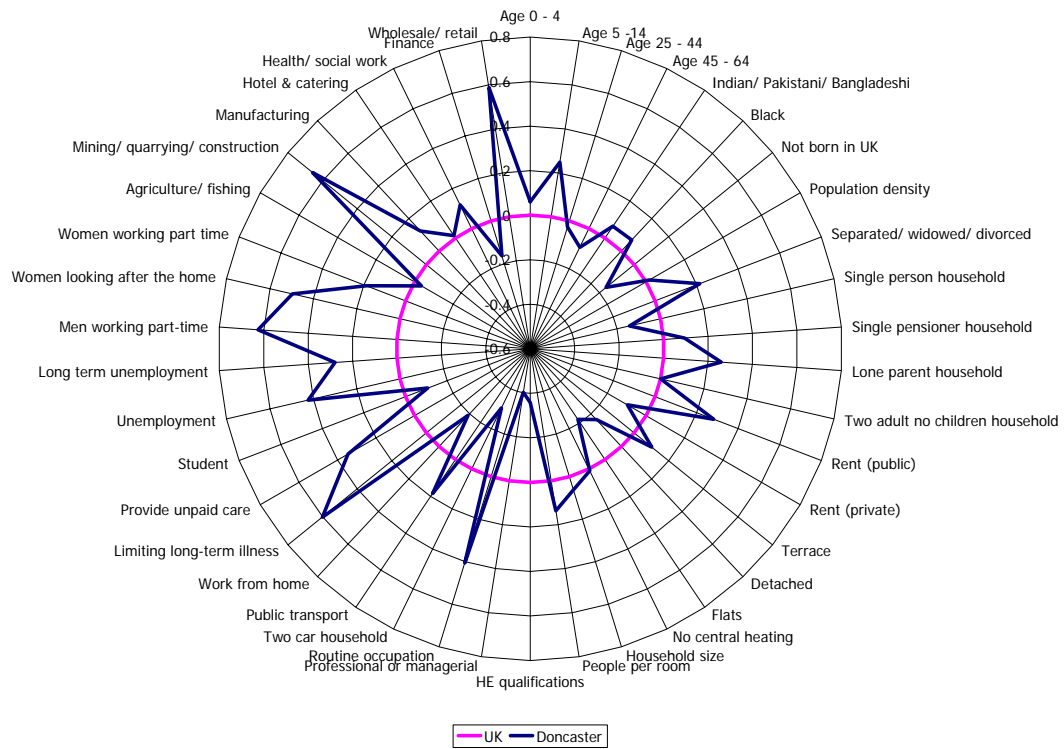
The radar charts used in this report show the difference between a particular area and the median (middle) score of all the areas. The median area in the UK will have a score of zero. This method does lead to some apparent anomalies. Doncaster appears to have a high score for 'Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi' and 'black'. Although Doncaster has a smaller proportion of the population from ethnic minorities than the UK average, there are a large number of areas with smaller populations with an even smaller proportion.

¹ ONS has not, as yet, provided any commentary for each group in the classification.

² Statistical wards are the same as the electoral wards as they stood in 2001. They do not reflect changes to electoral wards that occurred since.

Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council

Chart 1: Standardised data for Doncaster MBC

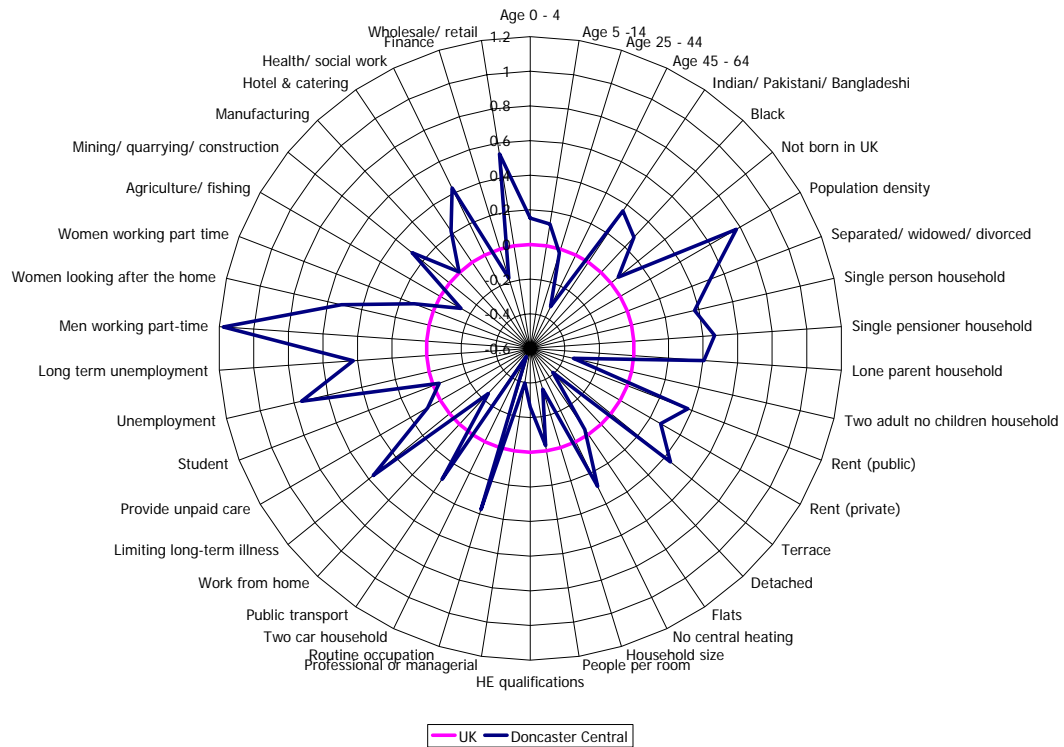


Doncaster district sits in the *manufacturing towns* group. This group accounts for about 9% of the UK population. Other local authorities in this group are:

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| Amber Valley | Ashfield | Barnsley |
| Bassetlaw | Blyth Valley | Bolsover |
| Bridgend | Cannock Chase | Chesterfield |
| Chester-le-Street | Corby | Dudley |
| East Staffordshire | Ellesmere Port and Neston | Erewash |
| Flintshire | Havant | Mansfield |
| Newcastle-under-Lyme | North East Derbyshire | North East Lincolnshire |
| North Lincolnshire | Nuneaton and Bedworth | Redditch |
| Rossendale | Rotherham | Stockton-on-Tees |
| Swale | Tamworth | Telford and Wrekin |
| Wakefield | Wigan | Wrexham Maelor |

Doncaster Central PCT

Chart 2: Standardised data for Doncaster Central PCT

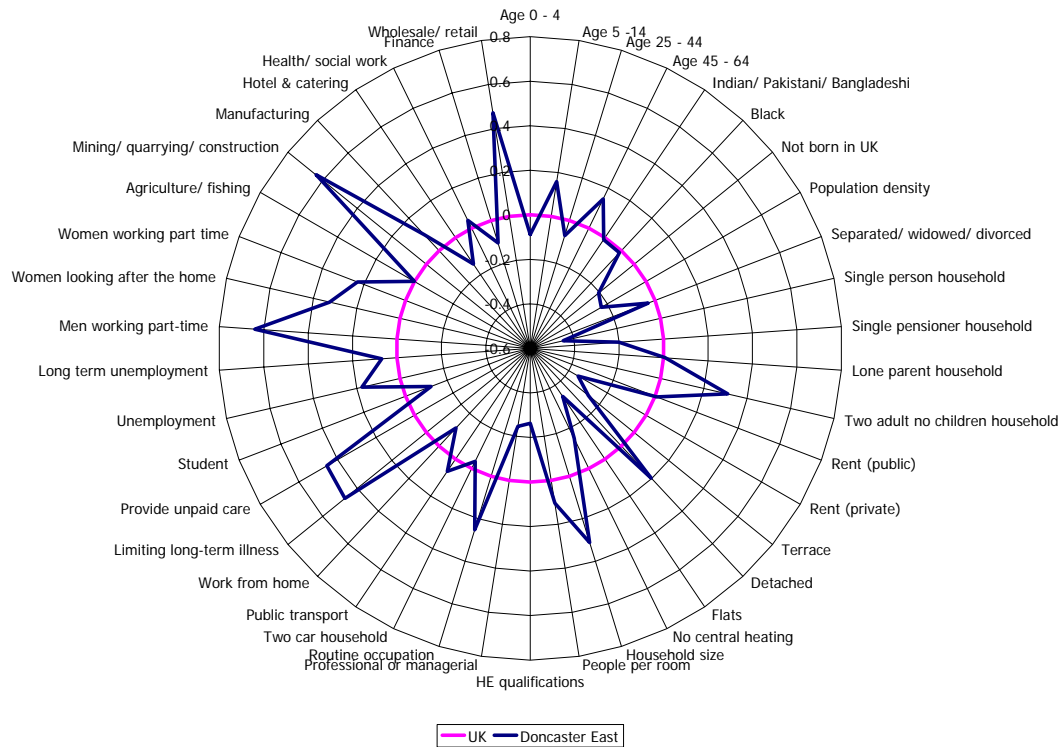


Doncaster Central PCT is classified as part of the *industrial hinterland* group. Other PCTs in the same group include:

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| Birkenhead and Wallasey | Blaenau Gwent | Caerphilly |
| Darlington | Derwentside | Durham Dales |
| Easington | Eastern Hull | Gateshead |
| Halton | Hartlepool | Heywood and Middleton |
| Knowsley | Merthyr Tydfil | Middlesbrough |
| Neath Port Talbot | Newport | North Liverpool |
| North Sheffield | North Stoke | Rhondda Cynon Taff |
| Sedgefield | South East Sheffield | South Sefton |
| South Stoke | South Tyneside | St Helens |
| Sunderland Teaching | Swansea | Tameside and Glossop |
| Torfaen | | |

Doncaster East PCT

Chart 3: Standardised data for Doncaster East PCT

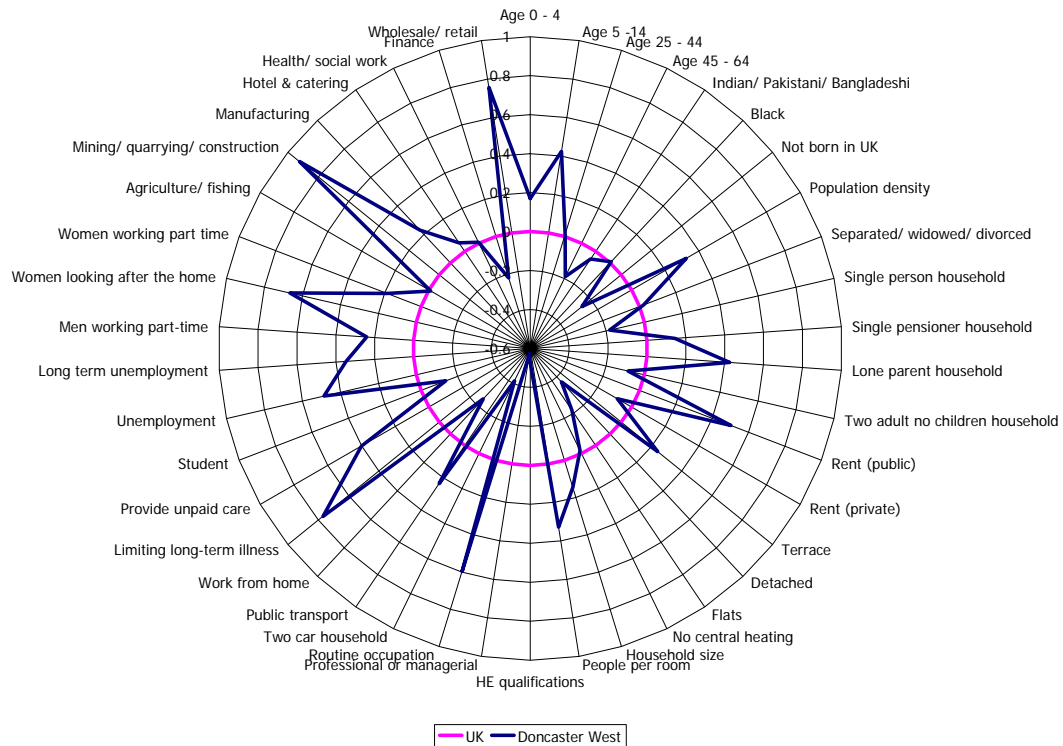


Doncaster East PCT has been categorised as part of the *manufacturing towns* group. Other PCTs in this group are:

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| Amber Valley | Ashfield | Ashton; Leigh and Wigan |
| Barnsley | Bassetlaw | Bridgend |
| Cannock Chase | Chesterfield | Doncaster West |
| Dudley Beacon and Castle | Dudley South | Eastern Wakefield |
| Ellesmere Port and Neston | Erewash | Flintshire |
| Langbaugh | Mansfield District | North East Lincolnshire |
| North Eastern Derbyshire | North Lincolnshire | North Tees |
| North Warwickshire | Northamptonshire Heartlands | Rotherham |
| Swale | Telford and Wrekin | Wakefield West |
| West Cumbria | Wrexham | |

Doncaster West PCT

Chart 4: Standardised data for Doncaster West PCT



Doncaster West PCT is in the *manufacturing towns* group and shares this classification with the following PCTs:

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| Amber Valley | Ashfield | Ashton; Leigh and Wigan |
| Barnsley | Bassetlaw | Bridgend |
| Cannock Chase | Chesterfield | Doncaster East |
| Dudley Beacon and Castle | Dudley South | Eastern Wakefield |
| Ellesmere Port and Neston | Erewash | Flintshire |
| Langbaugh | Mansfield District | North East Lincolnshire |
| North Eastern Derbyshire | North Lincolnshire | North Tees |
| North Warwickshire | Northamptonshire Heartlands | Rotherham |
| Swale | Telford and Wrekin | Wakefield West |
| West Cumbria | Wrexham | |

Statistical Wards

The statistical wards (wards at the time of the 2001 Census – these are not the current electoral wards in Doncaster) have a different taxonomy to the local authorities and PCTs.

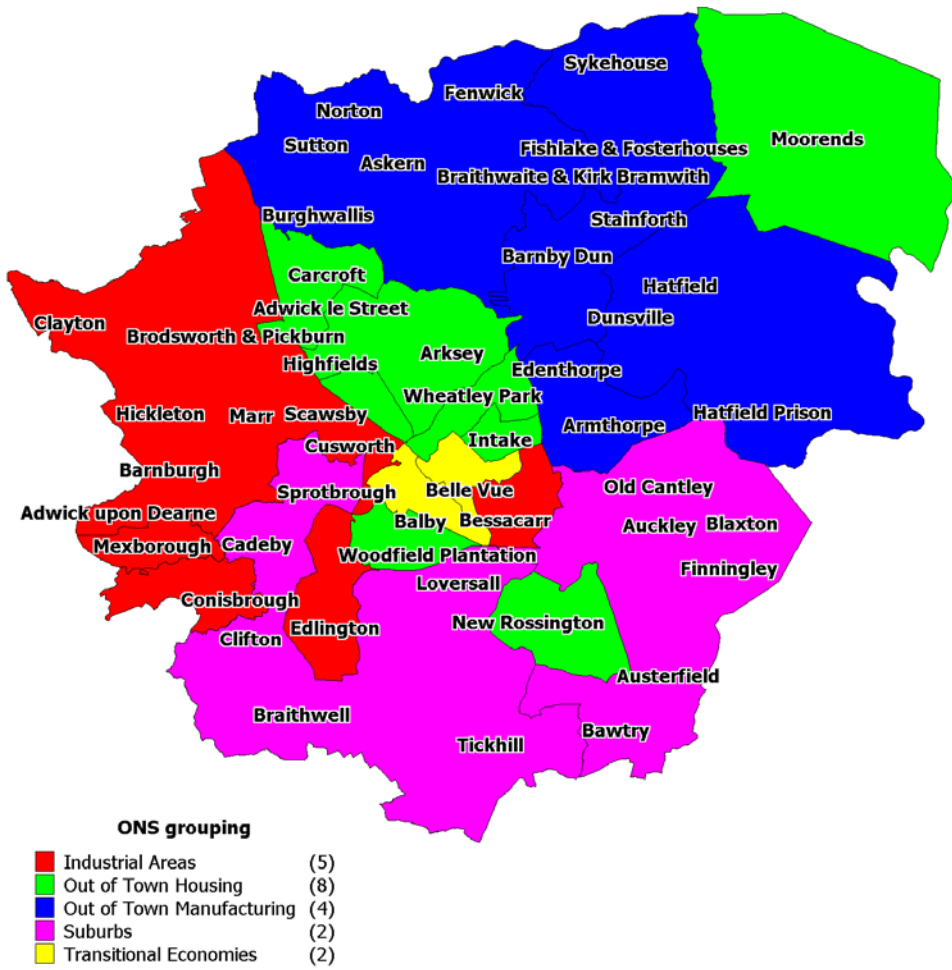
Table 2: Statistical ward area classification

Supergroup	Group	Number of Subgroups
Industrial hinterlands	Industrial areas	2
	Out of town housing	1
Traditional manufacturing	Built-up manufacturing	1
	Transitional economies	2
Built-up areas	Built-up areas	2
Prospering metropolitan	Prospering metropolitan	2
Student communities	Student communities	3
Multicultural metropolitan	Multicultural areas	1
	Inner-city multicultural	1
Suburbs and small towns	Suburbs	2
	Prospering suburbs	1
	Commuter suburbs	2
Coastal and countryside	Countryside	2
	Senior communities	1
	Out of town manufacturing	1
	Northern Ireland countryside	1
Accessible countryside	Accessible countryside	1

Table 3: Doncaster's statistical wards by ward based area classification

Statistical ward	Group
Adwick	Out of town housing
Armthorpe	Out of town manufacturing
Askern	Out of town manufacturing
Balby	Out of town housing
Bentley Central	Out of town housing
Bentley North Road	Out of town housing
Bessacarr	Industrial areas
Central	Transitional economies
Conisbrough	Industrial areas
Edlington & Warmsworth	Industrial areas
Hatfield	Out of town manufacturing
Intake	Out of town housing
Mexborough	Industrial areas
Richmond	Industrial areas
Rossington	Out of town housing
South East	Suburbs
Southern Parks	Suburbs
Stainforth	Out of town manufacturing
Thorne	Out of town housing
Town Field	Transitional economies
Wheatley	Out of town housing

Map 1: A map of Doncaster showing the statistical wards and the ONS grouping.



The names of some of Doncaster's 88 communities have been included.