Local Area Summary Statistics

Neath Port Talbot
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1.0 Summary

This document is a compendium of existing published statistics relating to Neath Port Talbot and is updated in-line with updates to the source statistics. Almost all of the statistics included are official statistics published by the Welsh Government, the National Health Service, or other central government departments. However, as the statistics are not all classified as National Statistics, this document is not itself a National Statistic.

The following is a high level summary of the data for Neath Port Talbot. The data behind each of the following points is shown in charts in the main body of the report.

1.1 Economy

- In 2013 the employment rate in Neath Port Talbot was 66.4 per cent. This was the seventh lowest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. The rate rose both over the year and overall since 2001 (up 0.6 and 6.0 percentage points respectively). Between 2001 and 2013 the employment rate has been below the Welsh average although the gap has narrowed.

- GVA per head in 2012 stood at £14,964 in Neath Port Talbot. This was below the Welsh average and the joint ninth highest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. Between 1999 and 2012 GVA per head in Neath Port Talbot has been below the Welsh average although the gap has narrowed quite considerably over this period.

- In 2012 GDHI per head in Neath Port Talbot stood at £14,122 and was the joint ninth lowest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. Between 1999 and 2012 GDHI per head in Neath Port Talbot has fluctuated around the Welsh average.

- In 2013 average weekly earnings in Neath Port Talbot stood at £546. This was the seventh highest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. In 2003, 2008 and 2013 earnings in Neath Port Talbot were above the Welsh average.

- In 2013 Neath Port Talbot had the eighth highest rate of children living in workless households amongst the Welsh local authorities. The rate fell since 2012 and fell since 2004. The gap between the Wales average has narrowed from being 4.6 percentage points above the Wales average in 2004 to being 2.6 percentage points above the Wales average in 2013.

1.2 Health and well-being

- Male life expectancy for 2011-13 was lower than the Welsh average.

- Female life expectancy for 2011-13 was lower than the Welsh average.

- The percentage of obese adults for 2012 & 2013 was higher than the Welsh average.

- The percentage of adult smokers for 2012 & 2013 was not significantly different from the Welsh average.

- The under 18 conception rate in Neath Port Talbot has fluctuated around the Wales average in recent years but has seen a fall since 2005.

- The mean mental component summary score for 2012 & 2013 was lower than the Welsh average, indicating poorer mental health and well-being.

- Neath Port Talbot's rate of older people supported in the community decreased steadily between 2005-06 and 2010-11, before increasing again. Neath Port Talbot's rate was above the Wales average in 2013-14.

- Neath Port Talbot's percentage of looked after children with three or more placements in the year was lower than the Wales average in 2013-14.

- The proportion of low birth weight babies in Neath Port Talbot has fluctuated during the 2000s around the fairly stable Wales average.
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- The MMR coverage rate in Neath Port Talbot has improved 2.4 percentage points since 2012-13 to a rate of 96 per cent, but this is still slightly below the Welsh average.
- The average dmft score for Neath Port Talbot was 2.2 in 2011-12. Neath Port Talbot has been above the Welsh average in the last two surveys.

1.3 Education and skills

- The percentage of working age adults with no qualifications has fallen since 2001. In 2013 the rate was 1.8 percentage points higher than the Welsh average and was the sixth highest local authority rate in Wales.
- The percentage of working age adults with qualifications at NQF level 4+ has risen since 2001. In 2013 the rate was 4.4 percentage points lower than the Welsh average and was the sixth lowest local authority rate in Wales.
- The attendance rate has risen since 1999. It was 0.1 percentage points below the Welsh average of 93.6 percent in 2014, making it the tenth lowest attendance rate.
- The average wider points score has generally risen since 2004. It was above the Welsh average in 2013.
- The percentage of pupils achieving the core subject indicator at key stage two has risen overall since 1999. It was 2.0 percentage points below the Welsh average of 86.1 per cent in 2014 and had the second lowest rate in Wales.

1.4 Housing

- The rate of homelessness acceptances in Neath Port Talbot has generally followed the trend for Wales and has remained well below the Wales average since 2001-02. In 2013-14 Neath Port Talbot had the ninth lowest rate of all local authorities in Wales.
- Following an increase in 2012-13, the rate of additional affordable housing provision in Neath Port Talbot decreased in 2013-14 bringing it below the Wales average.

1.5 Transport

- In 2010-11, in Neath Port Talbot, the proportion of A county roads in poor condition was significantly higher than the proportion for Wales as a whole; and had increased from the position for the previous years. There were 115 miles of these roads in NPT.
- In 2009, the proportion of people living in Neath Port Talbot and travelling to work by car, van or minibus was similar to (between 2 percentage points above and 2 points below) the all-Wales average.
- In Neath Port Talbot, the average rate (per head of population) between 2011-13 at which people were killed or seriously injured on roads was below the Wales average.

1.6 Crime and substance misuse

- Neath Port Talbot has a crime rate eight percentage points lower than the average for Wales. It has fallen 49 per cent since 2002-03.
- Due to variation in the collection system employed by this local authority, results are not comparable to other local authorities or the Wales average.

1.7 Environment

- The cleanliness rate of highways and relevant land in Neath Port Talbot was consistently just above the Welsh average between 2005-06 and 2009-10. The rate fell in the following three years but in 2013-14 increased markedly, rising above the Welsh average.
- The ecological footprint in Neath Port Talbot was below the Wales average in 2006.
1.8 Heritage

- According to the 2011 Census the percentage of people age three and over who spoke Welsh in Neath Port Talbot was 15.3 per cent, which was below the Welsh average of 19 per cent.

- The percentage of pupils assessed in Welsh first language at key stage two has decreased by 1.4 percentage points since 2013 but has increased by 1.0 percentage points since 1999.

- The percentage of pupils assessed in Welsh first language at key stage three has decreased by 0.3 percentage points since 2013 but has increased by 1.0 percentage points since 1999.

- The number of visits to public libraries in Neath Port Talbot in 2012/13 was around 6,800 per thousand, which was higher than the Welsh average and was the fourth highest local authority rate.

- The percentage of adults who regularly participated in sport and active recreation in Neath Port Talbot in 2008/09 was 51 per cent, an increase from 2004/05. This figure is above the Wales average for the first time since 1998/99. The sampling method of the Active Adults Survey changed from a quota sample to a random probability sample in 2008/09, so care should be taken when making comparisons with previous years.
2.1 Employment rate

The employment rate is defined as the percentage of the resident working age population that is in employment. Figure 2.1 shows the latest annual data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 2.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 2.1: Employment rate, 2013**

![Bar chart showing employment rates for Welsh local authorities in 2013. Neath Port Talbot is one of the lowest.]

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

**Figure 2.2: Employment rate, 2001-2013**

![Line chart showing employment rate trend for Wales and Neath Port Talbot from 2001 to 2013.]

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

In 2013 the employment rate in Neath Port Talbot was 66.4 per cent. This was the seventh lowest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. The rate rose both over the year and overall since 2001 (up 0.6 and 6.0 percentage points respectively). Between 2001 and 2013 the employment rate has been below the Welsh average although the gap has narrowed.
2.2 Gross value added per head

Gross value added measures the size of the economy of an area at NUTS3 level, which is a European Union geography representing small groups of local authorities. Local authority figures have been estimated by assuming they are the same as the figures for the NUTS3 area. Figure 2.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 2.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 2.3: Gross value added per head, 2012

![Gross value added per head, 2012](image)

Source: Regional Accounts, Office for National Statistics

Figure 2.4: Gross value added per head, 1999-2012

![Gross value added per head, 1999-2012](image)

Source: Regional Accounts, Office for National Statistics

GVA per head in 2012 stood at £14,964 in Neath Port Talbot. This was below the Welsh average and the joint ninth highest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. Between 1999 and 2012 GVA per head in Neath Port Talbot has been below the Welsh average although the gap has narrowed quite considerably over this period.
2.3 Gross disposable household income per head

Gross disposable household income is measured at NUTS3 level, which is a European Union geography representing small groups of local authorities. Local authority figures have been estimated by assuming they are the same as figures for the NUTS3 area. Figure 2.5 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 2.6 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 2.5: Gross disposable household income per head, 2012

![Chart showing gross disposable household income per head for Neath Port Talbot and other Welsh local authorities in 2012.](chart)

Source: Regional Accounts, Office for National Statistics

Figure 2.6: Gross disposable household income per head, 1999-2012

![Chart showing change over time in gross disposable household income per head for Neath Port Talbot and Wales.](chart)

Source: Regional Accounts, Office for National Statistics

In 2012 GDHI per head in Neath Port Talbot stood at £14,122 and was the joint ninth lowest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. Between 1999 and 2012 GDHI per head in Neath Port Talbot has fluctuated around the Welsh average.
2.4 Average gross weekly full-time earnings

Mean average gross weekly full-time earnings data is based on workplaces in each local authority, for full-time employees only, and includes overtime. Figure 2.7 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 2.8 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 2.7: Average gross weekly full-time earnings, 2013

![Graph showing average gross weekly full-time earnings for Neath Port Talbot compared to other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average in 2013.]

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, Office for National Statistics

Figure 2.8: Average gross weekly full-time earnings, 2003-2013

![Graph showing the change in average gross weekly full-time earnings for Neath Port Talbot and Wales from 2003 to 2013.]

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, Office for National Statistics

In 2013 average weekly earnings in Neath Port Talbot stood at £546. This was the seventh highest amongst the 22 Welsh local authorities. In 2003, 2008 and 2013 earnings in Neath Port Talbot were above the Welsh average.
2.5 Children living in workless households rate

The children living in workless households rate is defined as the percentage of all children under 16 who are living in working age households with no-one in employment. Figure 2.9 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 2.10 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 2.9: Children living in workless households rate, 2013

![Bar chart showing the percentage of children aged 0-15 living in workless households for various Welsh local authorities.](chart1.png)

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

Figure 2.10: Children living in workless households rate, 2004-2013

![Line chart showing the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to Wales.](chart2.png)

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

In 2013 Neath Port Talbot had the eighth highest rate of children living in workless households amongst the Welsh local authorities. The rate fell since 2012 and fell since 2004. The gap between the Wales average has narrowed from being 4.6 percentage points above the Wales average in 2004 to being 2.6 percentage points above the Wales average in 2013.
2.6 General economic assessment

This section presents an economic assessment for Wales and, where appropriate, focuses on the regional differences apparent in the datasets above.

Gross Value Added (GVA) measures the contribution to the economy of each individual producer, industry or sector. It is commonly used as an estimate of Gross Domestic Product, a key indicator on the state of the economy. GVA per head varies quite significantly across Wales, with all Welsh regions lagging behind the UK average, although estimates of sub-regional GVA should always be treated with caution as they can be distorted by commuting flows between local authorities and across the Welsh-English border.

Gross Disposable Household Income (GDHI) is a measure of the amount of money individuals have available for spending or saving. It generally provides a more reliable indicator of living standards across different areas as it is based on where people live rather than where they work. GDHI figures per head for Welsh local authorities portray a more equitable picture of living standards across the country than is otherwise suggested by the GVA per head figures. However, similarly to GVA data, GDHI per head figures for each sub-region in Wales all lie below the UK average.

In broad terms, GVA per head in the North1, Mid2 and South West3 regions of Wales lie below the average for Wales as a whole whereas the figure for South East4 Wales lies above the Welsh average. Differences in GVA per head across Wales can be explained for the most part through varying rates of productivity, economic activity, out-commuting, and demographic differences across the regions.

The lower level of GVA per head in the North is largely explained by a higher proportion of elderly residents and out-commuting from the region but these effects are partially offset by the region’s higher activity rates. GDHI per head in North Wales lies above the Welsh average, however average full-time earnings are below the Welsh average. Over the last year, both the employment and the economic inactivity rate increased in North Wales, whilst the unemployment rate fell. Looking over the longer term, the labour market in North Wales has seen improvement similar to that for Wales since 2001.

The level of GVA per head in Mid Wales also lies below the Welsh average – this is due to lower GVA per job, out-commuting from the region, and a higher proportion of elderly residents. However, these effects are partly offset by higher activity rates within the region. GDHI per head in the region is above the Welsh average, however average full-time earnings lie below the Welsh average. Over the last year the employment rate increased in Mid Wales whilst the unemployment and inactivity rates fell. The average for Mid Wales generally hides differences between Ceredigion and Powys, partly because Ceredigion is affected by a large number of economically inactive students. Looking over the longer term, Mid Wales has seen improvement compared to Wales since 2001.

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1 Isle of Anglesey; Gwynedd; Conwy; Denbighshire; Flintshire; and Wrexham
2 Powys; and Ceredigion, although the GVA and GDHI figures used in this context are for Powys only
3 Pembrokeshire; Carmarthenshire; Swansea; and Neath Port Talbot
4 Bridgend; Rhondda, Cynon, Taff; Merthyr Tydfil; Caerphilly; Blaenau Gwent; Torfaen; The Vale of Glamorgan; Monmouthshire; Newport; and Cardiff
GVA per head in South West Wales is also below the Welsh average. This difference is largely due to lower GVA per job in the region. GDHI per head in the South West is nearer the Welsh average, however average full-time earnings lie below the Welsh average. Over the latest year both the employment and the ILO unemployment rates increased in South West Wales whilst economic inactivity (excluding students) rate fell. Looking at the longer term, the labour market in South West Wales has generally seen a slight improvement compared to Wales since 2001.

As mentioned previously, South East Wales is the only Welsh region to report a GVA per head figure that is above the Welsh average. This largely reflects higher GVA per job in the region than elsewhere in Wales. The GVA per head figure however remains below that of the UK average. GDHI per head in South East Wales is similar to the Welsh average and average full-time earnings in the region lie above the average. Over the latest year the employment rate increased in South East Wales, whilst both the unemployment and economic inactivity rates fell. Looking at the longer term, the labour market in South East Wales has seen an improvement compared to Wales since 2001.

One further notable conclusion from the data is that the Heads of the Valleys\(^5\) region lags well behind the rest of Wales on almost all economic measures.

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\(^5\) The Head of the Valleys programme area is defined as the whole of the local authorities of Merthyr Tydfil; and Blaenau Gwent, together with the northern and central elements of Rhondda, Cynon, Taff; Caerphilly; and Torfaen.
3.1 Male life expectancy

Male life expectancy is the expected number of years a male would live from birth, assuming that he will experience the given area’s age-specific mortality rates for that time period throughout his remaining life (period life expectancy). Figures are based on the population estimates and deaths by date of registration for a period of three consecutive years. Figure 3.1 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 3.1: Male life expectancy, 2011-13

Source: Life expectancy at birth and at age 65 by local areas in the United Kingdom, Office for National Statistics

Figure 3.2: Male life expectancy, 2001-03 – 2011-13

Source: Life expectancy at birth and at age 65 by local areas in the United Kingdom, Office for National Statistics

Male life expectancy for 2011-13 was lower than the Welsh average.
3.2 Female life expectancy

Female life expectancy is the expected number of years a female would live from birth, assuming that she will experience the given area’s age-specific mortality rates for that time period throughout her remaining life (period life expectancy). Figures are based on the population estimates and deaths by date of registration for a period of three consecutive years. Figure 3.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 3.3: Female life expectancy, 2011-13**

![Graph showing female life expectancy for various areas compared to Neath Port Talbot and the Welsh average.]

Source: Life expectancy at birth and at age 65 by local areas in the United Kingdom, Office for National Statistics

**Figure 3.4: Female life expectancy, 2001-03 – 2011-13**

![Graph showing change in female life expectancy over time for Neath Port Talbot and Wales.]

Source: Life expectancy at birth and at age 65 by local areas in the United Kingdom, Office for National Statistics

Female life expectancy for 2011-13 was lower than the Welsh average.
3.3 Adult obesity rate

The adult obesity rate is the percentage of all adults (persons aged 16 and over) who have a body mass index of 30 or more. Body mass index is calculated as a person’s weight in kilogrammes divided by the square of their height in metres. Figure 3.5 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.6 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 3.5: Adult obesity rate, 2012 & 2013**

![Bar chart showing the percentage of adults who are obese in Neath Port Talbot compared to other Welsh local authorities. The percentage is higher than the Welsh average.]

Source: Welsh Health Survey, Welsh Government

**Figure 3.6: Adult obesity rate, 2003/05 – 2012 & 2013**

![Line chart showing the change in the percentage of obese adults in Neath Port Talbot and Wales from 2003/05 to 2012/13. The percentage for Neath Port Talbot is consistently higher than the Welsh average.]

Source: Welsh Health Survey, Welsh Government

The percentage of obese adults for 2012 & 2013 was higher than the Welsh average.
3.4 Adult smoking rate

The adult smoking rate is the percentage of all persons aged 16 and over who reported that they smoke daily or occasionally. Figure 3.7 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.8 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 3.7: Adult smoking rate, 2012 & 2013**

![Chart showing adult smoking rate per locality, including Neath Port Talbot.]

Source: Welsh Health Survey, Welsh Government

The percentage of adult smokers for 2012 & 2013 was not significantly different from the Welsh average.

**Figure 3.8: Adult smoking rate, 2003/05 – 2012 & 2013**

![Chart showing change in adult smoking rate over time for Wales and Neath Port Talbot.]

Source: Welsh Health Survey, Welsh Government
3.5 Under 18 conception rate

The under 18 conception rate is the number of births plus the number of abortions to females aged under 18 per 1,000 females aged 15-17. Figure 3.9 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.10 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 3.9: Under 18 conception rate, 2012

![Under 18 conception rate, 2012](source: Conception and Vital Statistics, Office for National Statistics)

The under 18 conception rate in Neath Port Talbot has fluctuated around the Wales average in recent years but has seen a fall since 2005.

Figure 3.10: Under 18 conception rate, 2005-2012

![Under 18 conception rate, 2005-2012](source: Conception and Vital Statistics, Office for National Statistics)
3.6 Mental component summary score

The mental component summary score is a relative measure of mental well-being. Figure 3.11 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.12 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 3.11: Mental component summary score, 2012 & 2013**

![Bar chart showing mental component summary score for different areas](chart1.png)

Source: Welsh Health Survey, Welsh Government

**Figure 3.12: Mental component summary score, 2003/05 – 2012 & 2013**

![Line chart showing change over time](chart2.png)

Source: Welsh Health Survey, Welsh Government

The mean mental component summary score for 2012 & 2013 was lower than the Welsh average, indicating poorer mental health and well-being.
3.7 Older people supported in the community

The rate of older people supported in the community is the count of social services clients receiving non-residential services per 1,000 population aged 65 and over. Figure 3.13 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.14 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 3.13: Older people supported in the community, 2013-14

Neath Port Talbot's rate of older people supported in the community decreased steadily between 2005-06 and 2010-11, before increasing again. Neath Port Talbot's rate was above the Wales average in 2013-14.
3.8 Looked after children with three or more placements in year

The percentage of looked after children with three or more placements in the year is the percentage of all those children with a looked after status at the end of the year with three or more placements during that year. Figure 3.15 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.16 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 3.15: Looked after children with three or more placements in year, 2013-14**

Source: Local authority data returns to Welsh Government

**Figure 3.16: Looked after children with three or more placements in year, 2005-06 – 2013-14**

Source: Local authority data returns to Welsh Government

Neath Port Talbot's percentage of looked after children with three or more placements in the year was lower than the Wales average in 2013-14.
3.9 Low birth weight babies

The low birth weight babies measure is the number of live and still births which are below 2.5kg as a percentage of all live and still births with a stated birth weight. Figure 3.17 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.18 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 3.17: Low birth weight babies, 2012**

Source: Vital Statistics, Office for National Statistics

**Figure 3.18: Low birth weight babies, 2000-2012**

Source: Vital Statistics, Office for National Statistics

The proportion of low birth weight babies in Neath Port Talbot has fluctuated during the 2000s around the fairly stable Wales average.
3.10 Uptake rate for primary MMR vaccine at age two

The uptake rate for primary MMR vaccine at age two measure is the percentage of all children reaching the age of two in the time period who were immunised against MMR by their second birthday (i.e. had received the primary vaccination). Figure 3.19 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.20 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 3.19: Uptake rate for primary MMR vaccine at age two, 2013-14**

Source: COVER Statistics, Public Health Wales

**Figure 3.20: Uptake rate for primary MMR vaccine at age two, 2005-06 – 2013-14**

Source: COVER Statistics, Public Health Wales

The MMR coverage rate in Neath Port Talbot has improved 2.4 percentage points since 2012-13 to a rate of 96 per cent, but this is still slightly below the Welsh average.
3.11 Average dmft score for five year old children

The average dmft score for five year old children is the average number of teeth decayed, missing or filled per child aged five, and therefore a lower score is preferable. The data is sourced from surveys of oral health of five year olds. Figure 3.21 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 3.22 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 3.21: Average dmft score for five year old children, 2011-12

![Average dmft score for five year old children, 2011-12]

Source: Welsh Oral Health Information Unit, School of Dentistry, University of Cardiff

The average dmft score for Neath Port Talbot was 2.2 in 2011-12. Neath Port Talbot has been above the Welsh average in the last two surveys.
4.0 Education and skills

4.1 Working age adults with no qualifications

The working age adults with no qualifications measure is the percentage of all persons aged 18 to 59 for women and 18 to 64 for men who have no qualifications. Figure 4.1 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 4.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 4.1: Working age adults with no qualifications, 2013**

![Bar chart showing the percentage of working age adults with no qualifications for different local authorities in Neath Port Talbot and the Welsh average, with Neath Port Talbot highlighted.]

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

**Figure 4.2: Working age adults with no qualifications, 2001-2013**

![Line chart showing the change in the percentage of working age adults with no qualifications for Neath Port Talbot and Wales from 2001 to 2013.]

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

The percentage of working age adults with no qualifications has fallen since 2001. In 2013 the rate was 1.8 percentage points higher than the Welsh average and was the sixth highest local authority rate in Wales.
4.2 Working age adults with qualifications at NQF level four or above

The working age adults with qualifications at National Qualification Framework (NQF) level four or above measure is the percentage of all persons aged 18 to 59 for women and 18 to 64 for men who have a qualification at level four or higher in the NQF. Level four in the NQF represents a graduate degree level qualification or equivalent. Figure 4.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 4.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 4.3: Working age adults with qualifications at NQF level four or above, 2013

![Bar chart showing the percentage of working age adults with qualifications at NQF level four or above for Neath Port Talbot and other local authorities in 2013.]

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

Figure 4.4: Working age adults with qualifications at NQF level four or above, 2001-2013

![Line chart showing the change over time in Neath Port Talbot and Wales for the percentage of working age adults with qualifications at NQF level four or above.]

Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics

The percentage of working age adults with qualifications at NQF level 4+ has risen since 2001. In 2013 the rate was 4.4 percentage points lower than the Welsh average and was the sixth lowest local authority rate in Wales.
4.3 Secondary school pupil attendance rate

The secondary school pupil attendance rate is the percentage of all half-day sessions for all pupils of compulsory school age in maintained secondary and special schools that are missed due to both authorised and unauthorised absence. Figure 4.5 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 4.6 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 4.5: Secondary school pupil attendance rate, 2014**

![Bar chart showing secondary school pupil attendance rate by local authority in 2014. The rate is highest in Torfaen and lowest in Neath Port Talbot.]

Source: School attendance returns to Welsh Government

**Figure 4.6: Secondary school pupil attendance rate, 1999-2014**

![Line chart showing the attendance rate from 1999 to 2014. The rate has risen since 1999. In 2014, the rate was 0.1 percentage points below the Welsh average of 93.6 percent.]

Source: School attendance returns to Welsh Government

The attendance rate has risen since 1999. It was 0.1 percentage points below the Welsh average of 93.6 percent in 2014, making it the tenth lowest attendance rate.
4.4 Average wider points score for 15 year olds

The average wider points score for 15 year olds is an aggregate of all the examination scores achieved in maintained schools (using scores allocated to every qualification approved for use in Wales for pupils aged under 16) divided by the total number of pupils aged 15. Figure 4.7 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 4.8 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales. The Welsh average includes pupils in independent schools and pupils from a non-English or Welsh-based education system. These pupils are excluded from local authority figures.

**Figure 4.7: Average wider points score for 15 year olds, 2013**

![Graph showing average wider points score for 15 year olds for various Welsh local authorities in 2013. Neath Port Talbot is highlighted.]

Source: Pupil level annual school census and school examination performance, Welsh Government

**Figure 4.8: Average wider points score for 15 year olds, 2004-2013**

![Graph showing change in average wider points score from 2004 to 2013 for Wales and Neath Port Talbot. The score has generally risen since 2004.]

Source: Pupil level annual school census and school examination performance, Welsh Government

The average wider points score has generally risen since 2004. It was above the Welsh average in 2013.
4.5 Core subject indicator attainment at key stage two

Core subject indicator attainment at key stage two is the percentage of year group six pupils who achieve the expected level in English or Welsh first language, mathematics and science. Figure 4.9 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 4.10 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales. The Welsh average includes pupils in independent schools and pupils from a non-English or Welsh-based education system. These pupils are excluded from local authority figures.

**Figure 4.9: Core subject indicator attainment at key stage two, 2014**

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Source: National teacher assessment data collection, Welsh Government

**Figure 4.10: Core subject indicator attainment at key stage two, 1999-2014**

The percentage of pupils achieving the core subject indicator at key stage two has risen overall since 1999. It was 2.0 percentage points below the Welsh average of 86.1 per cent in 2014 and had the second lowest rate in Wales.
5.1 Rate of households for whom homelessness was accepted

The rate of households for whom homelessness was accepted is the number of households accepted as eligible, unintentionally homeless and in priority need per 10,000 households. Figure 5.1 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 5.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 5.1: Rate of households for whom homelessness was accepted, 2013-14

![Graph showing homelessness rates for Neath Port Talbot and other Welsh authorities]

Source: Local authority data returns to Welsh Government

Figure 5.2: Rate of households for whom homelessness was accepted, 2001-02 – 2013-14

![Graph showing change in homelessness rates over time for Neath Port Talbot and Wales]

Source: Local authority data returns to Welsh Government

The rate of homelessness acceptances in Neath Port Talbot has generally followed the trend for Wales and has remained well below the Wales average since 2001-02. In 2013-14 Neath Port Talbot had the ninth lowest rate of all local authorities in Wales.
5.2 Additional affordable housing provision rate

The additional affordable housing provision rate is the number of additional housing units delivered during the year that were classed as affordable per 10,000 households. Affordable housing is housing provided to those whose needs are not met by the open market. Figure 5.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 5.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

**Figure 5.3: Additional affordable housing provision rate, 2013-14**

![Graph showing additional affordable housing provision rate for different local authorities in 2013-14. Neath Port Talbot is below the Wales average.]

Source: Local authority data returns to Welsh Government

**Figure 5.4: Additional affordable housing provision rate, 2007-08 – 2013-14**

![Graph showing change in additional affordable housing provision rate from 2007-08 to 2013-14 for Neath Port Talbot and Wales. Neath Port Talbot decreased in 2013-14 bringing it below the Wales average.]

Source: Local authority data returns to Welsh Government

Following an increase in 2012-13, the rate of additional affordable housing provision in Neath Port Talbot decreased in 2013-14 bringing it below the Wales average.
6.1 Principal (A) roads in poor condition

The principal A roads in poor condition measure is the percentage of the surveyed length of local authority owned A roads that are classed as in poor condition (above the RED threshold and in need of planned maintenance within a year). It is derived from road condition surveys which use road surface scanning equipment. Figure 6.1 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 6.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales. This indicator is no longer updated.

Figure 6.1: Principal (A) roads in poor condition, 2010-11

![Graph showing percentage of A roads in poor condition by local authority](source: SCANNER surveys of road condition, Welsh Government)

In 2010-11, in Neath Port Talbot, the proportion of A county roads in poor condition was significantly higher than the proportion for Wales as a whole; and had increased from the position for the previous years. There were 115 miles of these roads in NPT.
6.2 Persons travelling to work by car, van or minibus

The persons travelling to work by car, van or minibus measure is the percentage of all people who travel to work that travel by car, van or minibus. Figure 6.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 6.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 6.3: Persons travelling to work by car, van or minibus, 2009

![Bar chart showing the percentage of those travelling to work by car, van or minibus across different local authorities in Wales, with Neath Port Talbot highlighted in red. Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics.]

In 2009, the proportion of people living in Neath Port Talbot and travelling to work by car, van or minibus was similar to (between 2 percentage points above and 2 points below) the all-Wales average.

Figure 6.4: Persons travelling to work by car, van or minibus, 2008-2009

![Line graph showing the percentage of those travelling to work by car, van or minibus in Wales and Neath Port Talbot from 2008 to 2009. Source: Annual Population Survey, Office for National Statistics.]

In 2009, the proportion of people living in Neath Port Talbot and travelling to work by car, van or minibus was similar to (between 2 percentage points above and 2 points below) the all-Wales average.
6.3 People killed and seriously injured on roads

The number of people killed and seriously injured on roads is sourced from road accident and casualty statistics recorded by police authorities. The rate is given per 10,000 population. Figure 6.5 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 6.6 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 6.5: People killed and seriously injured on roads, 2011-13

Source: Police authority data returns to Welsh Government; Mid-Year Population Estimates, Office for National Statistics

Figure 6.6: People killed and seriously injured on roads, 2000-02 – 2011-13

Source: Police authority data returns to Welsh Government; Mid-Year Population Estimates, Office for National Statistics

In Neath Port Talbot, the average rate (per head of population) between 2011-13 at which people were killed or seriously injured on roads was below the Wales average.
7.1 Total recorded crime rate

The total recorded crime rate is the total number of offences recorded by the police per 1,000 population. Figure 7.1 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 7.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 7.1: Total recorded crime rate, 2013-14

Neath Port Talbot has a crime rate eight percentage points lower than the average for Wales. It has fallen 49 per cent since 2002-03.
7.2 Rate of individuals referred to treatment for alcohol misuse

The rate of individuals referred for alcohol misuse is the number of individuals referred to treatment services for main substance alcohol misuse per 100,000 population in the previous year. Individuals receiving multiple referrals are counted only once. Figure 7.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 7.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 7.3: Rate of individuals referred to treatment for alcohol misuse, 2013-14

Source: Welsh National Database for Substance Misuse, NHS Wales Informatics Service; Mid-Year Population Estimates, Office for National Statistics

Figure 7.4: Rate of individuals referred to treatment for alcohol misuse, 2008-09 – 2013-14

Source: Welsh National Database for Substance Misuse, NHS Wales Informatics Service; Mid-Year Population Estimates, Office for National Statistics

Due to variation in the collection system employed by this local authority, results are not comparable to other local authorities or the Wales average.
8.1 Cleanliness rate of highways and relevant land

The cleanliness rate measure is the percentage of highways and relevant land inspected that exhibited a high or acceptable level of cleanliness. Figure 8.1 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 8.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales. The Welsh average is calculated by considering all the inspections across Wales, although these are disproportionate across local authorities.

**Figure 8.1: Cleanliness rate of highways and relevant land, 2013-14**

The cleanliness rate of highways and relevant land in Neath Port Talbot was consistently just above the Welsh average between 2005-06 and 2009-10. The rate fell in the following three years but in 2013-14 increased markedly, rising above the Welsh average.
8.2 Ecological footprint

The ecological footprint measures our impact on the Earth. It shows us how much productive land and water that we require to support our current levels of consumption and waste production, measured in global hectares per person. Data show that the ecological footprint for Wales is more than double the resources which are currently available across the world (which is just over two global hectares per person). Figure 8.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 8.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales. This indicator is no longer updated.

Figure 8.3: Ecological footprint, 2006

Source: Welsh Government

Figure 8.4: Ecological footprint, 2003-2006

Source: Welsh Government

The ecological footprint in Neath Port Talbot was below the Wales average in 2006.
9.1 Welsh speakers

The Welsh speakers measure is the percentage of the population aged three and over who can speak Welsh. Figure 9.1 shows the 2011 Census data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 9.2 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales using Annual Population Survey data. Information on the different sources is available in the key quality information section.

Figure 9.1: Welsh speakers, 2011

According to the 2011 Census the percentage of people age three and over who spoke Welsh in Neath Port Talbot was 15.3 per cent, which was below the Welsh average of 19 per cent.

Figure 9.2: Welsh speakers, 2001-2013
9.2 Key stage two pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh

The percentage of key stage two pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh is the percentage of all pupils assessed at the end of year group six who studied Welsh as a first language. Figure 9.3 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 9.4 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales. The Welsh average includes data for pupils in independent schools and pupils from a non-English or Welsh-based education system. These pupils are excluded from local authority figures.

**Figure 9.3:** Key stage two pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh, 2014

![Bar chart showing key stage two pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh, 2014](chart1.png)

Source: National teacher assessment data collection, Welsh Government

**Figure 9.4:** Key stage two pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh, 1999-2014

![Line graph showing change over time in key stage two pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh, 1999-2014](chart2.png)

Source: National teacher assessment data collection, Welsh Government

The percentage of pupils assessed in Welsh first language at key stage two has decreased by 1.4 percentage points since 2013 but has increased by 1.0 percentage points since 1999.
9.3 Key stage three pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh

The percentage of key stage three pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh is the percentage of all pupils assessed at the end of year group nine who studied Welsh as a first language. Figure 9.5 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 9.6 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales. The Welsh average includes data for pupils in independent schools and pupils from a non-English or Welsh-based education system. These pupils are excluded from local authority figures.

Figure 9.5: Key stage three pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh, 2014

Figure 9.6: Key stage three pupils receiving teacher assessment in Welsh, 1999-2014

The percentage of pupils assessed in Welsh first language at key stage three has decreased by 0.3 percentage points since 2013 but has increased by 1.0 percentage points since 1999.
9.4 Visits to public libraries

The visits to public libraries measure is the total number of physical and virtual (i.e. on-line) visits to public libraries including mobile libraries per 1,000 population. Figure 9.7 shows the latest data for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 9.8 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 9.7: Visits to public libraries, 2012/13

![Bar chart showing visits to public libraries in Neath Port Talbot compared to other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average in 2012/13.]

Source: Local authority data returns to Local Government Data Unit; Mid-Year Population Estimates, Office for National Statistics

Figure 9.8: Visits to public libraries, 2007/08 – 2012/13

![Line chart showing the change in visits to public libraries in Neath Port Talbot and Wales from 2007/08 to 2012/13.]

Source: Local authority data returns to Local Government Data Unit; Mid-Year Population Estimates, Office for National Statistics

The number of visits to public libraries in Neath Port Talbot in 2012/13 was around 6,800 per thousand, which was higher than the Welsh average and was the fourth highest local authority rate.
9.5 Regular participation in sport and active recreation

The regular participation in sport and active recreation measure is the percentage of the adult population (aged 15 and over) that reported participation at least once a week on average in the previous four week period. This measure has been superseded by a hooked on sport measure, which provides the average number of occasions of participation in sport per week by local authority area. This data can be accessed from the link in Section 10.0. Figure 9.9 shows regular participation data for the period March 2008 to February 2009 for Neath Port Talbot, relative to the other Welsh local authorities and the Welsh average. Figure 9.10 shows the change over time in Neath Port Talbot compared to the change in Wales.

Figure 9.9: Regular participation in sport and active recreation, period March 2008 - February 2009

![Graph showing regular participation in sport and active recreation for different areas in Wales.]

Source: Active Adults Survey, Sports Council for Wales

Figure 9.10: Regular participation in sport and active recreation, 1998/99 – 2008/09

![Graph showing change in regular participation in sport and active recreation over time for Neath Port Talbot and Wales.]

Source: Adult’s Sport and Physical Activity Participation Survey (1998/99-2004/05)
Active Adults Survey (2008/09), Sports Council for Wales
The percentage of adults who regularly participated in sport and active recreation in Neath Port Talbot in 2008/09 was 51 per cent, an increase from 2004/05. This figure is above the Wales average for the first time since 1998/99. The sampling method of the Active Adults Survey changed from a quota sample to a random probability sample in 2008/09, so care should be taken when making comparisons with previous years.
## 10.0 Key quality information

This document is a compendium of existing published statistics and is updated in-line with updates to the source statistics. Almost all of the statistics included are official statistics published by the Welsh Government, the National Health Service, or other central government departments. However, as the statistics are not all classified as National Statistics, this document is not itself a National Statistic.

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(a) In Abertawe Bro-Morgannwg University area (Swansea, Neath Port Talbot and Bridgend), the number of individuals referred to treatment services is lower as they report on a client not referral based system; work is ongoing to ensure that it is consistently recorded across Wales.


(c) There is more than one source of data for visits to public libraries. This report uses the National Strategic Indicator data as its source. Previous versions of this report included 2009-10 figures from the CIPFA source. This data has now been amended so that all data is sourced from the National Strategic Indicators. The 2009-10 and 2010-11 data is based on a sample week aggregated to 52 weeks. The 2011-12 data is based on a sample week aggregated to 50 weeks.