Report:

Life expectancy at birth and at age 65 by local areas in the United Kingdom, 2006–08

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Key findings

- In 2006–08 life expectancy at birth for males was highest in the South East of England (79.2 years) and lowest in Scotland (75.0 years). For females, life expectancy was highest in the South West of England (83.1 years) and lowest in Scotland (79.9 years)
- Life expectancy at age 65 in 2006–08 was highest in the South East and South West of England for males (18.4 years) and in the South West of England for females (21.2 years). Scotland had the lowest life expectancy at 65 for both men and women; 16.3 years and 18.9 years respectively
- For local areas, life expectancy at birth for males and females in 2006–08 was highest in Kensington and Chelsea (84.3 years and 88.9 years respectively) and lowest in Glasgow City (70.7 years and 77.2 years respectively)
- In 2006–08 life expectancy at age 65 for males and females was highest in Kensington and Chelsea (23.1 years and 26.3 years respectively) and lowest in Glasgow City (13.8 years and 17.4 years respectively)

This report presents the latest figures on male and female period life expectancy (this term is explained below in Methods) at birth and at age 65 for the UK, its constituent countries, Government Office Regions in England, and local areas for 2006–08.

Results

All figures are three-year averages, produced by aggregating the number of deaths and mid-year population estimates across each three-year period to provide large enough numbers to ensure that the figures presented are sufficiently robust.

Life expectancy at birth

Results for 2006–08 showed a similar geographic pattern to previous years, with inequalities in life expectancy persisting across the UK. The South East, South West and East of England continued to have the highest life expectancies at birth, while figures were lowest in Scotland and in the North West and North East of England. For males, there was a difference of 4.2 years between the South East which had the highest life expectancy (79.2 years) and Scotland where life expectancy was lowest (75.0 years). For females, the corresponding gap between the South West (83.1 years) and Scotland (79.9 years) was 3.2 years.

The local areas with the highest and lowest life expectancy at birth in the UK in 2006–08 for males and females are presented in Tables 1 and 2 respectively.

Table 1

Local areas with the highest and lowest male life expectancy at birth, 2006–08

United Kingdom

Rank	Local area	Country/English Government Office Region	Life expectancy at birth (years)
Highest life expectancy at birth			
1	Kensington and Chelsea	London	84.3
2	Westminster	London	82.9
3	Fareham	South East	81.4
4	Hart	South East	81.3
5	Elmbridge	South East	81.3
6	South Bucks	South East	81.2
7	East Dorset	South West	81.2
8	Epsom and Ewell	South East	81.2
9	Wokingham	South East	81.1
10	South Cambridgeshire	East of England	81.1
Lowest life expectancy at birth			
1	Glasgow City	Scotland	70.7
2	West Dunbartonshire	Scotland	72.1
3	Inverclyde	Scotland	72.8
4	North Lanarkshire	Scotland	73.1
5	Belfast	Northern Ireland	73.4
6	Eilean Siar	Scotland	73.5
7	Blackpool	North West	73.6
8	Renfrewshire	Scotland	73.6
9	Dundee City	Scotland	73.7
10	Manchester	North West	73.8

Table 2**Local areas with the highest and lowest female life expectancy at birth, 2006–08**

United Kingdom

Rank	Local area	Country/English Government Office Region	Life expectancy at birth (years)
Highest life expectancy at birth			
1	Kensington and Chelsea	London	88.9
2	Westminster	London	85.8
3	Hart	South East	85.4
4	East Dorset	South West	85.1
5	Chiltern	South East	85.0
6	Christchurch	South West	84.8
7	Vale of White Horse	South East	84.6
8	Guildford	South East	84.6
9	Rochford	East of England	84.6
10	New Forest	South East	84.5
Lowest life expectancy at birth			
1	Glasgow City	Scotland	77.2
2	West Dunbartonshire	Scotland	78.1
3	North Lanarkshire	Scotland	78.4
4	East Ayrshire	Scotland	78.5
5	Inverclyde	Scotland	78.6
6	Blaenau Gwent	Wales	78.8
7	Renfrewshire	Scotland	78.8
8	Blackpool	North West	78.8
9	Liverpool	North West	78.8
10	Halton	North West	78.8

As in 2005–07, the local area with the highest life expectancy for males was Kensington and Chelsea (84.3 years). The local area with the lowest male life expectancy was Glasgow City (70.7 years), 13.6 years lower than Kensington and Chelsea. This gap widened by 0.7 years from 12.9 years in 2005–07. For females, Kensington and Chelsea also had the highest life expectancy at birth (88.9 years), 11.7 years higher than Glasgow City, the area with the lowest figure (77.2 years). This gap increased by 1.0 year from 10.7 years in 2005–07.

Life expectancy at age 65

Life expectancies at age 65 in 2006–08 show similar geographical patterns to the results at birth. The highest life expectancies were in the South East and South West of England and the lowest were in Scotland and the North East of England. In Scotland, life expectancy at age 65 for males was 16.3 years, 2.1 years lower than for men in

Table 3**Local areas with the highest and lowest male life expectancy at age 65, 2006–08**

United Kingdom

Rank	Local area	Country/English Government Office Region	Life expectancy at age 65 (years)
Highest life expectancy at age 65			
1	Kensington and Chelsea	London	23.1
2	Westminster	London	22.3
3	Crawley	South East	20.6
4	Rutland	East Midlands	19.8
5	Ceredigion	Wales	19.8
6	Lewes	South East	19.8
7	Tandridge	South East	19.7
8	East Dorset	South West	19.7
9	Christchurch	South West	19.7
10	South Cambridgeshire	East of England	19.6
Lowest life expectancy at age 65			
1	Glasgow City	Scotland	13.8
2	North Lanarkshire	Scotland	15.1
3	West Dunbartonshire	Scotland	15.2
4	Inverclyde	Scotland	15.4
5	Renfrewshire	Scotland	15.5
6	Liverpool	North West	15.5
7	Belfast	Northern Ireland	15.6
8	Halton	North West	15.7
9	Hartlepool	North East	15.7
10	Clackmannanshire	Scotland	15.7

Table 4**Local areas with the highest and lowest female life expectancy at age 65, 2006–08**

United Kingdom

Rank	Local area	Country/English Government Office Region	Life expectancy at age 65 (years)
Highest life expectancy at age 65			
1	Kensington and Chelsea	London	26.3
2	Westminster	London	23.5
3	East Dorset	South West	23.0
4	Hart	South East	22.8
5	West Somerset	South West	22.7
6	Lewes	South East	22.6
7	Brent	London	22.6
8	Hammersmith and Fulham	London	22.5
9	Christchurch	South West	22.4
10	North Dorset	South West	22.3
Lowest life expectancy at age 65			
1	Glasgow City	Scotland	17.4
2	West Dunbartonshire	Scotland	17.8
3	Halton	North West	17.8
4	North Lanarkshire	Scotland	17.8
5	Renfrewshire	Scotland	17.9
6	Falkirk	Scotland	18.0
7	West Lothian	Scotland	18.1
8	Liverpool	North West	18.1
9	Burnley	North West	18.1
10	East Ayrshire	Scotland	18.2

the South East and South West, who could expect to live another 18.4 years. Females in Scotland had a life expectancy at 65 of 18.9 years, 2.3 years lower than women in the South West of England (21.2 years).

The local areas with the highest and lowest life expectancy at age 65 in the UK for males and females are presented in Tables 3 and 4 respectively.

At local area level in 2006–08, Kensington and Chelsea had the highest life expectancy at age 65 for males (23.1 years) and females (26.3 years). The area with the lowest estimates for both sexes was Glasgow City; 13.8 years for men and 17.4 years for women. This was the only area in the UK where life expectancy at age 65 was less than 14 years. The gaps between the highest and lowest life expectancies at age 65 for males and females were 9.3 years and 8.9 years respectively, 0.4 years and 1.1 years respectively wider than the gaps in 2005–07.

Table 5 includes results for the UK, its constituent countries, Government Office Regions in England, and local areas for life expectancy at birth and at age 65 for 2006–08, and their relative rank order. Results are presented alphabetically by local area name within each constituent country and English region.

Methods**Local areas**

The term ‘local area’ refers to local and unitary authorities in England and Wales, council areas in Scotland and local government district areas in Northern Ireland. Two local areas, City of London and Isles of Scilly, are excluded from the results because of the small numbers of deaths and populations.

On 1 April 2009, there was a reorganisation of local and unitary authorities in England, which created nine new unitary authorities. Figures based on the new boundaries are presented in this report. Figures based on the previous boundaries are available on the Office for National Statistics website at: www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=8841

Interpretation of period life expectancy

All figures presented here are period life expectancies. Period expectation of life at a given age for an area in a given time period is an estimate of the average number of years a person of that age would survive if he or she experienced the particular area's age-specific mortality rates for that time period throughout the rest of his or her life. The figure reflects mortality among those living in the area in each time period, rather than mortality among those born in each area. It is not therefore the number of years a person in the area in each time period could actually expect to live, both because the death rates of the area are likely to change in the future and because many of those in the area may live elsewhere for at least some part of their lives.

Period life expectancy at birth is also not a guide to the remaining expectation of life at any given age. For example, if female life expectancy was 80 years for a particular area, the life expectancy of women aged 65 years in that area would exceed 15 years. This reflects the fact that survival from a particular age depends only on the mortality rates beyond that age, whereas survival from birth is based on mortality rates at every age.

Calculation

Life expectancy figures were calculated by the Office for National Statistics (ONS), except those for Scotland which were calculated by the General Register Office for Scotland (GROS) using the same methods.

Abridged life tables were constructed using standard methods.^{1,2} Separate tables were constructed for males and females. The tables were created using numbers of deaths registered in each calendar year and annual mid-year population estimates. A detailed description of the standard methods and notation associated with the calculation of life expectancy can be found on the Government Actuary's Department website.^{3,4}

The calculation of confidence intervals (available on the Office for National Statistics website) used the method developed by Chiang.⁵ A report detailing research undertaken by ONS to compare methodologies to allow the calculation of confidence intervals for life expectancy at birth has been published in the National Statistics Methodology Series. The report, 'Life expectancy at birth: methodological options for small populations', also presents research carried out to establish if there is a minimum population size below which the calculation of life expectancy may not be considered feasible.⁶

An example of a life table constructed using the same method used to calculate life expectancy and confidence intervals in this report can be found on the Office for National Statistics website at: www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=8841

Comparison with national results

The national interim life tables are the definitive life expectancy figures for the entire UK and constituent countries. National interim life tables are calculated using complete life tables (based on single years of age) and are published separately on the Office for National Statistics website at: www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=14459

To provide comparisons for local area and regional figures, ONS has also calculated national life expectancy results, which are included in Table 5. These were produced using the same methods as the subnational results, with abridged life tables in which death and population figures are aggregated into quinary age groups. Therefore, the two sets of national figures may differ very slightly (normally by less than 0.1 years for England and Wales).

Figures for England will also differ slightly from the national interim life table results because of a difference in the handling of deaths of non-residents. For this report, the deaths of non-residents have been included in the mortality figures for England and Wales, but are excluded from the data for England and Wales separately. However, for the

national interim tables, the deaths of non-residents in England and Wales have been included in the mortality data for England (but not Wales).

Differences between period and cohort life expectancies

Expectations of life can be calculated in two ways: period life expectancy (as presented in this report) and cohort life expectancy.

Cohort life expectancies are calculated using age-specific mortality rates which allow for known or projected changes in mortality in later years and are therefore regarded as a more appropriate measure of how long a person of a given age would be expected to live, on average, than period life expectancy.

For example, period life expectancy at age 65 in 2000 would be worked out using the mortality rate for age 65 in 2000, for age 66 in 2000, for age 67 in 2000, and so on. Cohort life expectancy at age 65 in 2000 would be worked out using the mortality rate for age 65 in 2000, for age 66 in 2001, for age 67 in 2002, and so on.

Period life expectancies are a useful measure of mortality rates actually experienced over a given period and, for past years, provide an objective means of comparison of the trends in mortality over time, between areas of a country and with other countries. Official life tables in the UK and in other countries which relate to past years are generally period life tables for these reasons. Cohort life expectancies, even for past years, usually require projected mortality rates for their calculation and so, in such cases, involve an element of subjectivity.

More information on the differences between period and cohort life expectancies can be found on the Office for National Statistics website.⁷

Results on the Office for National Statistics website

The life expectancy at birth and at age 65 results presented in this report can also be found – presented with 95 per cent confidence intervals – in a series of Microsoft Excel workbooks on the Office for National Statistics website at:

www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=8841

The four workbooks contain:

- results for the UK – figures for 1991–93 to 2006–08 for the UK, England and Wales, England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Tables are also included which show the rank order of local areas in the UK for 2005–07 and 2006–08 (pre-1 April 2009 boundaries)
- results for England and Wales – figures for 1991–93 to 2006–08 for local and unitary authorities (pre-1 April 2009 boundaries; 2006–08 figures are also available for boundaries as of 1 April 2009), and Government Office Regions in England. Figures for counties in England are also included for 2005–07 and 2006–08
- results for Scotland – figures for 1991–93 to 2006–08 for council areas in Scotland. Figures for health boards are also included for 2006–08
- results for Northern Ireland – figures for 1991–93 to 2006–08 for local government district areas and health and social service boards in Northern Ireland

Results for 1991–93 to 2006–08 have also been published on the Office for National Statistics website as a set of animated maps to show the change in life expectancy at local area level over time. These are available at:

www.statistics.gov.uk/life-expectancy/default.asp

Life expectancy results for local areas in Scotland for 2006–08 were first published in a report on 24 September 2009 on the General Register Office for Scotland website (accessed on 24 September 2009), available at: www.gro-scotland.gov.uk/statistics/publications-and-data/life-expectancy/index.html

Results for Scotland and other small areas within Scotland can also be found on the Scottish Public Health Observatory website (accessed 24 September 2009), available at: www.scotpho.org.uk/home/Comparativehealth/Profiles/chp_profiles.asp

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Table 5

Life expectancy at birth and at age 65¹ and relative position (rank order²) of local areas in the United Kingdom, 2006–08

United Kingdom

	Males				Females			
	Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65		Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65	
	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²
United Kingdom	77.5		17.5		81.7		20.2	
England and Wales	77.8		17.7		82.0		20.3	
England	77.9		17.7		82.0		20.3	
Government Office Regions and local areas within England								
North East	76.4		16.7		80.6		19.3	
County Durham	76.7	293	16.6	342	80.5	343	19.1	356
Darlington	76.3	321	17.2	285	80.5	344	19.3	341
Gateshead	76.2	330	16.8	326	80.5	339	19.3	336
Hartlepool	75.3	373	15.7	396	79.0	391	18.7	380
Middlesbrough	75.4	365	16.4	360	79.8	377	18.6	385
Newcastle upon Tyne	75.7	354	16.4	358	80.6	335	19.5	307
North Tyneside	76.6	296	16.6	339	80.6	331	19.3	344
Northumberland	77.9	208	17.6	221	81.5	264	19.8	279
Redcar and Cleveland	77.2	255	17.1	293	81.1	301	19.8	288
South Tyneside	76.2	326	16.5	349	80.3	359	19.2	351
Stockton-on-Tees	76.4	312	16.9	313	80.9	312	19.2	348
Sunderland	75.4	367	16.1	382	80.4	347	18.8	375
North West	76.3		16.8		80.6		19.4	
Allerdale	77.4	248	17.1	289	80.6	332	19.5	312
Barrow-in-Furness	76.4	314	16.5	347	80.8	320	19.9	271
Blackburn with Darwen	74.4	391	16.1	379	79.5	386	18.3	394
Blackpool	73.6	398	16.4	359	78.8	397	18.6	381
Bolton	75.5	361	16.6	343	79.9	373	19.4	334
Burnley	75.5	363	17.0	307	79.1	390	18.1	396
Bury	76.6	299	16.4	357	80.9	316	19.1	355
Carlisle	77.1	272	17.2	271	81.4	277	20.3	225
Cheshire East	78.6	166	17.9	178	82.5	158	20.5	174
Cheshire West and Chester	78.1	191	17.7	201	81.9	218	20.0	259
Chorley	77.2	265	17.3	258	81.3	280	19.6	300
Copeland	77.2	262	17.4	246	79.8	374	19.1	359
Eden	79.0	122	17.9	179	83.0	110	21.2	89
Fylde	78.6	162	18.2	133	82.2	190	20.3	215
Halton	74.8	383	15.7	397	78.8	395	17.8	402
Hyndburn	75.3	374	16.5	345	80.0	366	18.8	374
Knowsley	75.5	362	16.0	383	79.2	389	18.4	390
Lancaster	76.9	283	17.2	274	80.8	321	19.8	287
Liverpool	74.3	393	15.5	399	78.8	396	18.1	397
Manchester	73.8	395	15.7	393	78.9	394	18.4	391
Oldham	75.4	369	16.1	376	79.4	387	18.5	387
Pendle	76.4	310	17.5	231	81.4	276	20.5	171
Preston	75.2	375	16.3	366	80.0	369	18.9	368
Ribble Valley	79.2	107	18.1	155	83.4	67	21.0	123
Rochdale	75.6	355	16.3	362	79.8	375	19.1	358
Rossendale	75.7	350	16.0	386	80.4	354	18.7	378
Salford	74.5	386	16.0	387	79.0	393	18.3	393
Sefton	77.0	276	17.3	265	81.5	256	19.9	270
South Lakeland	79.4	93	18.9	47	82.8	126	21.1	110
South Ribble	77.8	215	17.6	228	81.7	242	19.8	284
St. Helens	75.8	349	16.3	368	80.3	361	19.1	354
Stockport	77.9	213	17.6	224	82.5	161	20.8	144
Tameside	75.7	353	16.1	378	79.6	381	18.4	389
Trafford	78.1	200	18.0	174	82.4	172	20.4	190
Warrington	76.8	289	16.5	346	80.6	336	19.1	361
West Lancashire	77.7	221	17.3	270	80.8	319	19.2	353
Wigan	75.6	356	16.1	381	79.8	376	18.6	382
Wirral	75.9	341	16.6	338	81.0	310	19.8	285
Wyre	77.7	224	17.6	218	81.9	217	20.3	221
Yorkshire and The Humber	77.1		17.2		81.3		19.8	
Barnsley	76.0	337	16.1	377	80.1	364	18.8	373
Bradford	76.1	335	16.7	334	80.1	363	19.0	362
Calderdale	77.1	267	17.4	250	81.5	257	20.1	253
Craven	79.7	71	18.7	75	83.7	49	20.9	126
Doncaster	76.1	334	16.8	325	80.9	314	19.6	302
East Riding of Yorkshire	78.8	144	18.1	149	82.3	175	20.4	187
Hambleton	80.2	33	19.0	39	83.3	80	21.2	90
Harrogate	79.4	87	18.5	99	82.7	137	20.6	164
Kingston upon Hull, City of	75.0	379	16.1	380	79.5	385	18.6	386
Kirklees	76.5	305	17.0	304	80.7	327	19.3	342
Leeds	77.2	266	17.4	251	81.9	223	20.3	203

1 The 95 per cent confidence intervals for these results are available on the Office for National Statistics website at: www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=8841

2 Life expectancy figures are presented to one decimal place. The rankings in this table reflect differences in the unrounded numbers. 1 = Highest, 404 = Lowest.

**Table 5
continued****Life expectancy at birth and at age 65¹ and relative position (rank order²) of local areas in the United Kingdom, 2006–08**

United Kingdom

	Males				Females			
	Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65		Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65	
	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²
North East Lincolnshire	75.9	344	16.6	337	80.8	318	19.5	314
North Lincolnshire	77.3	254	17.5	240	81.0	302	19.8	282
Richmondshire	78.9	133	18.2	138	82.6	143	20.9	139
Rotherham	76.5	304	16.5	350	80.7	328	19.4	325
Ryedale	79.3	103	18.4	116	82.8	135	21.5	49
Scarborough	77.4	246	17.6	219	81.9	226	20.5	180
Selby	78.4	176	17.5	232	82.6	145	20.2	229
Sheffield	77.5	235	17.5	238	81.5	269	19.9	265
Wakefield	76.3	320	16.7	335	80.6	330	19.4	331
York	79.4	94	18.6	82	83.2	98	20.9	135
East Midlands	77.8		17.5		81.8		20.2	
Amber Valley	78.2	186	17.7	210	82.0	208	20.3	204
Ashfield	76.5	302	16.6	340	80.7	324	19.4	315
Bassetlaw	77.1	269	17.1	296	81.2	288	19.3	343
Blaby	79.9	56	19.2	29	83.5	65	21.7	35
Bolsover	76.2	329	16.0	384	80.5	345	18.7	379
Boston	76.3	317	17.1	291	81.2	291	20.0	257
Broxtowe	78.8	146	17.6	229	82.2	188	20.3	209
Charnwood	79.0	124	18.2	141	82.8	128	20.9	132
Chesterfield	77.2	258	17.0	302	82.1	204	19.9	275
Corby	74.4	390	16.9	315	80.4	348	19.4	329
Daventry	78.5	171	18.0	171	82.2	187	20.0	255
Derby	77.2	261	17.3	262	81.5	260	20.3	218
Derbyshire Dales	79.5	83	18.5	88	83.0	115	20.9	131
East Lindsey	77.4	242	18.0	169	81.6	252	20.2	235
East Northamptonshire	79.3	96	18.0	173	81.6	250	19.4	318
Erewash	77.5	239	17.3	269	81.6	251	20.1	247
Gedling	78.4	175	17.8	196	82.4	173	20.5	181
Harborough	80.1	44	18.8	61	83.7	45	21.7	32
High Peak	78.7	152	18.3	118	81.9	220	20.8	147
Hinckley and Bosworth	79.6	75	18.3	117	82.9	119	20.5	172
Kettering	78.6	164	17.8	191	81.8	236	20.4	188
Leicester	75.5	360	16.2	371	79.9	371	18.9	369
Lincoln	76.6	297	17.4	249	80.4	349	19.5	308
Mansfield	76.1	332	16.7	331	80.7	326	19.7	290
Melton	79.2	106	18.2	131	82.5	163	20.7	153
Newark and Sherwood	77.5	234	17.4	247	81.5	255	20.3	227
North East Derbyshire	78.4	179	17.4	244	81.6	253	19.6	304
North Kesteven	78.8	141	17.7	204	83.1	105	20.9	134
North West Leicestershire	77.9	211	17.5	239	81.9	219	20.3	219
Northampton	77.2	260	17.4	252	81.9	224	20.4	191
Nottingham	75.1	378	15.9	390	80.1	365	19.4	322
Oadby and Wigston	79.9	49	18.6	84	82.5	162	20.6	163
Rushcliffe	80.1	40	18.5	96	83.9	35	21.1	99
Rutland	80.1	43	19.8	4	84.5	11	22.1	15
South Derbyshire	78.0	205	17.5	233	81.8	234	20.0	262
South Holland	78.2	189	17.6	216	81.4	271	20.5	176
South Kesteven	78.5	172	18.1	152	82.1	198	20.2	233
South Northamptonshire	80.1	41	18.5	87	83.3	84	21.1	106
Wellingborough	77.7	220	17.3	264	83.0	117	20.9	127
West Lindsey	79.0	121	18.4	114	81.1	294	20.6	165
West Midlands	77.2		17.4		81.6		20.1	
Birmingham	75.9	343	16.8	321	81.0	307	19.9	267
Bromsgrove	79.5	80	17.7	202	81.8	238	19.9	272
Cannock Chase	76.3	323	16.5	351	80.4	350	18.9	371
Coventry	76.5	308	17.2	272	81.1	300	20.3	206
Dudley	77.2	259	17.2	282	81.9	231	20.1	246
East Staffordshire	77.0	280	17.0	309	81.2	290	20.0	261
Herefordshire, County of	78.6	169	18.2	139	83.4	72	21.3	75
Lichfield	78.7	154	17.7	205	81.5	268	19.4	323
Malvern Hills	79.2	109	18.4	105	83.2	93	20.9	136
Newcastle-under-Lyme	77.0	273	17.2	283	81.9	228	20.2	243
North Warwickshire	77.7	225	16.9	320	81.2	293	19.2	346
Nuneaton and Bedworth	76.7	295	17.1	294	80.9	315	19.4	333
Redditch	77.6	230	17.2	278	81.5	262	20.2	228
Rugby	79.2	111	18.0	166	81.9	215	20.4	194
Sandwell	74.3	392	16.1	375	80.0	367	19.0	365
Shropshire	78.6	165	18.4	101	82.7	140	20.8	143
Solihull	78.9	138	18.1	160	83.5	61	21.8	27
South Staffordshire	79.0	127	17.9	175	82.0	212	19.7	291
Stafford	78.2	188	17.9	185	82.3	180	20.3	198
Staffordshire Moorlands	78.4	178	17.6	227	82.0	209	19.9	276
Stoke-on-Trent	75.4	370	16.0	385	79.8	378	18.9	367

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**Table 5
continued****Life expectancy at birth and at age 65¹ and relative position (rank order²) of local areas in the United Kingdom, 2006–08**

United Kingdom

	Males				Females			
	Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65		Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65	
	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²
Stratford-on-Avon	79.3	99	18.1	153	82.6	152	20.5	175
Tamworth	78.2	184	17.8	187	81.2	287	19.6	296
Telford and Wrekin	77.4	249	17.4	255	81.5	266	20.4	193
Walsall	75.8	347	16.8	323	81.3	282	19.8	277
Warwick	79.2	108	18.9	49	83.4	66	21.4	55
Wolverhampton	75.7	352	17.1	295	80.5	342	19.7	294
Worcester	77.0	275	17.2	280	82.1	205	20.5	182
Wychavon	79.5	81	18.6	83	83.8	43	21.6	43
Wyre Forest	78.2	185	18.3	128	82.5	164	20.9	129
East of England	78.9		18.2		82.7		20.7	
Babergh	79.1	119	18.2	132	84.0	28	21.4	60
Basildon	78.2	183	17.7	200	81.6	247	19.9	268
Bedford	78.6	168	18.4	102	82.1	197	20.3	226
Braintree	78.9	131	17.9	182	82.8	133	20.5	173
Breckland	79.4	85	18.2	136	82.8	127	20.6	168
Brentwood	79.7	64	18.4	106	83.6	54	21.5	45
Broadland	79.7	69	18.2	142	83.4	78	20.7	160
Broxbourne	79.5	82	18.7	73	82.9	123	20.9	128
Cambridge	78.1	203	17.5	230	82.8	134	20.6	170
Castle Point	79.7	63	18.3	120	82.1	201	20.1	252
Central Bedfordshire	79.1	120	18.0	167	82.4	167	20.3	211
Chelmsford	80.2	36	19.0	38	84.2	23	21.9	22
Colchester	78.7	155	18.1	151	83.3	86	21.3	71
Dacorum	79.6	72	18.6	78	83.1	107	21.0	116
East Cambridgeshire	80.5	23	18.7	66	83.8	38	21.7	38
East Hertfordshire	79.8	59	18.9	50	83.2	94	21.1	103
Epping Forest	78.9	139	17.7	198	82.1	200	20.0	260
Fenland	77.3	250	17.4	254	81.3	285	20.0	263
Forest Heath	79.3	102	18.4	109	83.9	32	21.5	53
Great Yarmouth	77.4	244	17.8	190	81.6	254	19.9	266
Harlow	78.0	204	18.1	163	83.2	99	21.4	63
Hertsmere	78.8	149	17.9	176	82.8	124	20.6	167
Huntingdonshire	79.1	114	18.2	135	83.0	111	20.9	130
Ipswich	77.9	212	17.8	192	82.6	148	20.6	169
King's Lynn and West Norfolk	78.8	147	18.7	65	82.2	193	20.9	138
Luton	76.7	294	17.3	259	80.4	352	19.2	352
Maldon	78.6	161	17.8	188	82.8	130	20.3	200
Mid Suffolk	80.2	35	18.7	70	83.6	58	21.4	61
North Hertfordshire	78.6	167	17.8	195	82.2	184	20.1	248
North Norfolk	78.7	150	18.8	56	84.3	14	22.2	13
Norwich	77.8	217	18.4	111	83.0	112	21.6	40
Peterborough	76.8	288	17.2	286	81.0	305	19.7	292
Rochford	79.8	62	18.1	161	84.6	9	21.7	30
South Cambridgeshire	81.1	10	19.6	10	84.5	12	21.9	21
South Norfolk	80.0	46	19.5	13	83.3	88	21.3	86
Southend-on-Sea	77.6	233	17.6	215	81.8	239	20.0	258
St Albans	80.4	29	18.4	100	83.4	77	21.0	124
St Edmundsbury	79.7	66	18.8	60	83.8	41	21.5	48
Stevenage	77.4	247	17.3	263	82.0	210	20.3	210
Suffolk Coastal	80.6	20	19.0	44	83.8	37	21.5	52
Tendring	78.3	180	18.3	124	82.1	203	21.0	125
Three Rivers	80.6	19	19.1	35	83.7	44	21.0	113
Thurrock	77.9	214	17.0	301	81.8	233	20.2	232
Uttlesford	79.5	79	17.8	193	83.7	46	21.2	87
Watford	77.5	236	17.1	287	81.3	278	19.6	301
Waveney	79.0	126	18.4	104	82.7	139	21.0	121
Welwyn Hatfield	79.3	105	18.5	91	82.3	176	20.3	222
London	78.2		18.1		82.7		21.0	
Barking and Dagenham	76.4	313	16.8	322	80.6	334	19.4	319
Barnet	79.9	52	19.0	43	84.0	27	21.7	33
Bexley	79.1	117	18.3	129	82.7	136	21.0	111
Brent	78.9	140	19.5	12	84.0	31	22.6	7
Bromley	79.7	65	18.7	74	83.6	57	21.4	66
Camden	77.8	218	17.7	212	82.6	144	20.8	151
Croydon	78.9	137	18.7	68	82.2	182	20.5	183
Ealing	78.7	151	18.8	53	83.1	106	21.3	80
Enfield	78.8	148	18.3	119	82.7	141	20.8	141
Greenwich	75.4	364	16.3	365	81.7	243	20.3	214
Hackney	75.9	340	17.6	213	82.2	192	21.7	31
Hammersmith and Fulham	78.3	182	18.4	110	84.3	18	22.5	8
Haringey	76.3	322	17.2	275	83.1	102	21.6	41
Harrow	80.4	28	19.2	31	84.2	22	22.0	18
Havering	78.5	174	17.7	199	82.5	160	20.6	162

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United Kingdom

	Males				Females			
	Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65		Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65	
	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²
Hillingdon	78.1	195	17.7	207	83.2	97	21.3	78
Hounslow	77.4	245	17.4	248	81.6	249	19.7	289
Islington	75.1	376	16.4	353	81.0	303	19.6	299
Kensington and Chelsea	84.3	1	23.1	1	88.9	1	26.3	1
Kingston upon Thames	80.0	48	18.6	81	83.3	85	20.8	142
Lambeth	75.7	351	16.9	316	81.0	304	19.9	274
Lewisham	76.2	327	16.1	373	81.0	308	19.4	332
Merton	79.9	55	18.8	58	83.4	71	21.1	100
Newham	75.8	348	16.9	318	80.4	357	19.5	311
Redbridge	79.0	129	18.5	86	82.6	151	20.8	149
Richmond upon Thames	80.3	31	18.6	79	84.3	16	22.1	16
Southwark	77.2	264	18.4	103	82.4	171	21.7	37
Sutton	79.0	123	18.1	146	82.6	142	20.4	185
Tower Hamlets	75.3	372	16.7	333	80.4	355	18.9	372
Waltham Forest	76.5	303	16.8	327	81.2	292	19.8	283
Wandsworth	77.5	237	17.2	284	81.5	258	20.2	236
Westminster	82.9	2	22.3	2	85.8	2	23.5	2
South East	79.2		18.4		83.0		21.0	
Adur	78.4	177	17.7	197	81.6	248	20.2	239
Arun	78.7	156	18.3	126	82.5	159	21.3	83
Ashford	80.7	16	19.5	15	82.8	131	21.0	115
Aylesbury Vale	80.2	34	18.9	48	82.3	178	20.4	186
Basingstoke and Deane	79.7	70	18.3	122	82.5	155	20.7	154
Bracknell Forest	79.6	76	18.1	157	83.4	68	21.7	34
Brighton and Hove	76.6	298	17.5	234	82.5	165	21.1	108
Canterbury	78.8	143	18.1	162	82.2	185	20.3	197
Cherwell	78.7	153	18.1	147	83.5	62	21.3	76
Chichester	79.0	128	18.4	107	83.0	116	20.9	137
Chiltern	80.1	42	19.3	26	85.0	5	22.2	11
Crawley	80.2	32	20.6	3	83.6	53	21.4	65
Dartford	78.9	135	18.1	150	81.4	273	19.3	345
Dover	78.1	190	17.9	181	81.8	232	20.4	196
East Hampshire	79.4	91	18.4	108	82.4	170	20.7	158
Eastbourne	78.6	163	18.7	69	82.8	129	21.4	62
Eastleigh	79.4	86	18.0	170	83.2	96	21.0	122
Elmbridge	81.3	5	19.4	18	83.4	73	21.4	57
Epsom and Ewell	81.2	8	19.5	17	84.3	15	21.8	28
Fareham	81.4	3	19.5	14	84.1	25	21.5	47
Gosport	78.7	159	17.9	183	81.4	270	20.3	224
Gravesham	78.7	158	18.1	159	82.1	194	20.2	244
Guildford	80.4	27	19.3	27	84.6	8	22.1	14
Hart	81.3	4	19.6	11	85.4	3	22.8	4
Hastings	76.3	319	17.0	306	80.5	340	19.7	293
Havant	79.1	116	18.8	63	82.9	120	21.1	101
Horsham	79.8	61	18.7	64	83.3	81	21.5	46
Isle of Wight	78.8	142	18.4	112	82.9	121	21.3	73
Lewes	80.5	24	19.8	6	84.3	20	22.6	6
Maidstone	78.8	145	18.2	140	82.4	174	20.2	234
Medway	76.8	290	16.7	332	81.2	286	19.5	306
Mid Sussex	80.1	39	18.5	95	83.0	114	20.5	184
Milton Keynes	78.1	202	17.8	194	81.8	235	20.1	254
Mole Valley	80.4	26	19.1	36	84.1	26	21.3	79
New Forest	80.6	18	19.4	20	84.5	10	22.2	12
Oxford	78.0	206	18.3	125	82.8	132	21.3	82
Portsmouth	76.8	287	17.3	257	82.0	211	20.7	156
Reading	77.7	222	18.1	148	82.1	195	20.8	145
Reigate and Banstead	79.4	90	18.2	134	83.0	113	20.3	207
Rother	79.3	100	18.6	85	83.1	101	21.3	69
Runnymede	79.9	50	18.8	62	83.2	89	21.1	107
Rushmoor	79.6	78	18.1	164	82.6	150	20.9	133
Sevenoaks	80.9	11	19.2	33	83.7	51	21.2	95
Shepway	78.2	187	18.1	154	82.5	154	20.8	146
Slough	77.7	229	19.0	45	82.6	147	21.0	112
South Bucks	81.2	6	19.4	21	83.9	34	21.4	58
South Oxfordshire	79.6	73	18.6	80	83.4	70	21.3	74
Southampton	77.6	232	17.6	226	82.1	196	20.6	166
Spelthorne	79.7	68	18.7	72	83.3	87	21.5	51
Surrey Heath	79.9	57	18.9	51	83.6	56	20.8	148
Swale	77.1	270	17.0	300	81.1	299	19.7	295
Tandridge	80.7	14	19.7	7	83.4	76	21.0	120
Test Valley	79.6	77	18.0	172	83.7	50	21.3	84
Thanet	76.8	286	17.3	256	81.5	261	19.8	278

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United Kingdom

	Males				Females			
	Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65		Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65	
	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²
Tonbridge and Malling	79.9	58	18.5	93	83.8	36	21.3	85
Tunbridge Wells	79.5	84	18.8	57	83.2	100	21.1	102
Vale of White Horse	79.9	51	18.8	59	84.6	7	22.0	19
Waverley	80.8	12	19.2	32	84.3	13	21.8	26
Wealden	80.5	25	19.1	37	83.5	64	21.4	59
West Berkshire	79.7	67	18.7	71	83.1	104	21.2	92
West Oxfordshire	79.4	89	18.5	90	83.7	47	21.4	64
Winchester	80.0	47	19.2	34	83.2	91	21.1	104
Windsor and Maidenhead	79.3	101	18.0	168	82.9	118	20.5	178
Woking	79.1	118	17.9	180	83.4	69	21.0	117
Wokingham	81.1	9	19.5	16	83.8	42	21.2	88
Worthing	78.1	196	17.7	208	81.9	230	20.3	223
Wycombe	80.2	37	19.4	23	84.0	30	22.0	20
South West	79.0		18.4		83.1		21.2	
Bath and North East Somerset	80.0	45	19.0	46	83.5	63	21.3	68
Bournemouth	78.1	201	18.5	94	82.2	183	20.7	157
Bristol, City of	76.9	284	17.0	303	81.7	246	20.2	237
Cheltenham	79.4	92	18.6	77	83.3	83	21.4	56
Christchurch	80.2	38	19.7	9	84.8	6	22.4	9
Cornwall	78.7	160	18.2	143	82.8	125	21.0	119
Cotswold	80.6	21	19.4	25	83.6	59	21.5	50
East Devon	80.6	22	19.2	30	83.6	52	21.6	39
East Dorset	81.2	7	19.7	8	85.1	4	23.0	3
Exeter	78.9	130	17.9	177	83.4	75	21.4	54
Forest of Dean	77.9	209	17.7	203	81.5	267	20.5	177
Gloucester	77.9	210	18.1	158	81.9	222	20.4	189
Mendip	79.4	88	18.8	54	83.2	90	21.4	67
Mid Devon	80.4	30	19.4	19	83.3	79	21.2	96
North Devon	77.7	226	18.3	130	83.1	109	20.8	150
North Dorset	80.8	13	19.4	24	84.3	17	22.3	10
North Somerset	79.3	97	18.8	52	83.2	92	21.0	114
Plymouth	77.2	257	17.5	235	82.0	206	20.5	179
Poole	78.9	132	18.3	123	83.1	103	21.2	91
Purbeck	80.6	17	19.4	22	84.0	29	21.9	24
Sedgemoor	78.3	181	18.1	144	83.1	108	21.2	93
South Gloucestershire	79.8	60	18.5	92	83.6	55	21.3	70
South Hams	79.2	110	18.6	76	83.8	39	21.6	42
South Somerset	79.6	74	18.8	55	83.7	48	21.5	44
Stroud	78.9	136	17.9	184	82.6	149	20.7	155
Swindon	77.7	223	17.2	281	82.1	202	20.1	251
Taunton Deane	78.9	134	18.3	127	82.9	122	20.9	140
Teignbridge	79.9	53	19.0	40	83.6	60	21.8	25
Tewkesbury	79.1	112	19.0	41	83.8	40	21.8	29
Torbay	78.1	197	18.4	115	82.4	169	21.1	98
Torridge	79.1	115	18.5	98	83.2	95	21.3	72
West Devon	79.1	113	18.0	165	84.2	21	21.9	23
West Dorset	79.9	54	19.0	42	83.9	33	21.7	36
West Somerset	79.3	98	19.2	28	84.3	19	22.7	5
Weymouth and Portland	78.1	193	18.5	97	82.2	186	21.1	109
Wiltshire	79.4	95	18.4	113	83.3	82	21.3	81
Wales	77.0		17.2		81.4		20.0	
Local areas within Wales								
Blaenau Gwent	75.3	371	16.4	356	78.8	399	18.4	392
Bridgend	76.0	336	16.6	341	80.2	362	19.3	337
Caerphilly	75.6	357	16.3	363	80.9	313	19.4	321
Cardiff	76.6	301	17.0	310	81.7	240	20.3	205
Cardiganshire	76.5	306	16.9	312	81.3	283	19.8	281
Ceredigion	80.7	15	19.8	5	84.2	24	22.1	17
Conwy	77.0	281	17.6	220	81.3	284	20.3	208
Denbighshire	77.7	227	17.6	214	81.7	244	20.3	220
Flintshire	77.7	228	17.5	241	81.8	237	19.8	280
Gwynedd	77.3	253	17.5	237	81.9	216	20.3	199
Isle of Anglesey	76.9	285	17.5	236	82.6	146	20.8	152
Merthyr Tydfil	74.9	382	16.2	370	79.6	380	19.1	357
Monmouthshire	78.7	157	18.1	156	83.4	74	21.3	77
Neath Port Talbot	76.3	324	16.7	330	80.4	351	19.5	313
Newport	77.0	274	17.2	273	81.5	265	20.3	202
Pembrokeshire	77.2	263	17.7	209	81.9	225	20.2	245
Powys	79.3	104	18.3	121	82.7	138	21.1	97
Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	75.5	359	16.3	369	80.0	368	18.8	377

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United Kingdom

	Males				Females			
	Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65		Life expectancy at birth		Life expectancy at age 65	
	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²	Years	Rank order ²
Swansea	77.0	277	17.6	223	81.1	298	19.9	264
The Vale of Glamorgan	77.8	219	17.6	217	82.3	177	20.3	217
Torfaen	77.0	279	17.0	305	81.0	306	20.0	256
Wrexham	77.3	252	17.1	288	81.0	309	19.6	303
Scotland	75.0		16.3		79.9		18.9	
Local areas within Scotland								
Aberdeen City	75.4	366	16.3	364	80.4	358	19.0	364
Aberdeenshire	77.5	241	17.6	225	81.1	296	19.5	305
Angus	76.8	291	17.4	245	80.6	329	19.3	335
Argyll & Bute	76.3	325	16.9	311	79.9	372	19.4	320
Clackmannanshire	74.5	387	15.7	395	80.4	346	19.2	350
Dumfries & Galloway	76.4	311	17.1	290	80.5	338	19.4	330
Dundee City	73.7	396	16.9	319	79.7	379	19.4	328
East Ayrshire	74.6	385	15.7	392	78.5	401	18.2	395
East Dunbartonshire	78.0	207	17.7	206	82.5	157	20.2	242
East Lothian	76.6	300	16.7	329	81.3	279	19.4	316
East Renfrewshire	77.4	243	17.4	253	82.0	213	20.3	216
Edinburgh, City of	76.5	309	17.2	279	81.4	274	20.2	238
Eilean Siar	73.5	399	16.3	367	81.4	275	20.1	249
Falkirk	75.1	377	15.9	388	79.6	382	18.0	399
Fife	75.9	345	16.8	324	80.4	353	19.3	339
Glasgow City	70.7	404	13.8	404	77.2	404	17.4	404
Highland	75.9	346	17.0	299	80.8	317	19.4	317
Inverclyde	72.8	402	15.4	401	78.6	400	18.6	384
Midlothian	76.3	318	16.5	348	80.5	341	18.8	376
Moray	76.4	315	16.9	317	80.4	356	19.1	360
North Ayrshire	73.8	394	15.9	391	79.0	392	18.5	388
North Lanarkshire	73.1	401	15.1	403	78.4	402	17.8	401
Orkney Islands	74.4	389	15.9	389	81.4	272	19.4	326
Perth & Kinross	77.5	238	17.6	222	81.5	259	19.9	269
Renfrewshire	73.6	397	15.5	400	78.8	398	17.9	400
Scottish Borders	77.1	268	17.0	308	80.8	322	19.3	340
Shetland Islands	75.0	380	17.9	186	81.5	263	20.4	195
South Ayrshire	75.5	358	17.1	298	80.9	311	19.5	310
South Lanarkshire	74.5	388	15.7	394	79.5	384	18.6	383
Stirling	77.0	278	17.1	292	81.3	281	19.5	309
West Dunbartonshire	72.1	403	15.2	402	78.1	403	17.8	403
West Lothian	76.0	338	16.4	355	79.3	388	18.1	398
Northern Ireland	76.4		17.0		81.3		19.8	
Local areas within Northern Ireland								
Antrim	76.9	282	16.7	328	80.7	325	19.4	324
Ards	77.3	251	17.4	242	82.0	214	19.9	273
Armagh	76.2	328	16.9	314	81.2	289	19.4	327
Ballymena	78.1	199	18.1	145	82.2	181	20.2	241
Ballymoney	77.6	231	17.2	276	82.5	156	21.2	94
Banbridge	78.1	194	18.2	137	82.6	153	20.3	213
Belfast	73.4	400	15.6	398	79.6	383	19.0	363
Carrickfergus	76.5	307	16.4	354	80.3	360	19.2	349
Castlereagh	78.5	173	17.3	260	82.2	191	20.3	201
Coleraine	78.1	192	18.5	89	82.5	166	21.1	105
Cookstown	74.9	381	16.2	372	81.9	221	20.4	192
Craigavon	77.1	271	17.3	266	82.3	179	20.7	159
Derry	74.6	384	16.1	374	80.0	370	18.9	370
Down	78.1	198	17.8	189	80.7	323	19.8	286
Dungannon	75.9	342	16.6	336	81.1	295	19.6	298
Fermanagh	76.1	331	17.3	268	81.7	245	20.2	240
Larne	76.8	292	17.1	297	81.7	241	19.3	338
Limavady	76.4	316	16.6	344	82.4	168	20.2	231
Lisburn	77.2	256	17.4	243	82.0	207	20.1	250
Magherafelt	77.8	216	17.3	267	82.2	189	20.2	230
Moyle	78.5	170	18.7	67	81.1	297	19.2	347
Newry and Mourne	75.9	339	16.4	361	80.6	337	19.6	297
Newtownabbey	77.5	240	17.3	261	81.9	229	20.3	212
North Down	79.0	125	17.7	211	82.1	199	21.0	118
Omagh	76.1	333	17.2	277	81.9	227	20.7	161
Strabane	75.4	368	16.4	352	80.6	333	19.0	366

1 The 95 per cent confidence intervals for these results are available on the Office for National Statistics website at: www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=8841

2 Life expectancy figures are presented to one decimal place. The rankings in this table reflect differences in the unrounded numbers. 1= Highest, 404 = Lowest.