



Knowsley Profile

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Knowsley Geography

The Borough of Knowsley sub-divides into the following six area partnership boards and 21 electoral wards:

North Kirkby area partnership board

Northwood, Park and Shevington electoral wards.

South Kirkby area partnership board

Cherryfield, Kirkby Central and Whitefield electoral wards.

North Huyton area partnership board

Longview, Page Moss, St Michaels and Stockbridge electoral wards.

South Huyton area partnership board

Roby, St Bartholomews, St Gabriels and Swanside electoral wards.

Prescot, Whiston, Cronton & Knowsley Village area partnership board

Prescot East, Prescot West, Whiston North and Whiston South electoral wards.

Halewood area partnership board

Halewood North, Halewood South and Halewood West electoral wards.

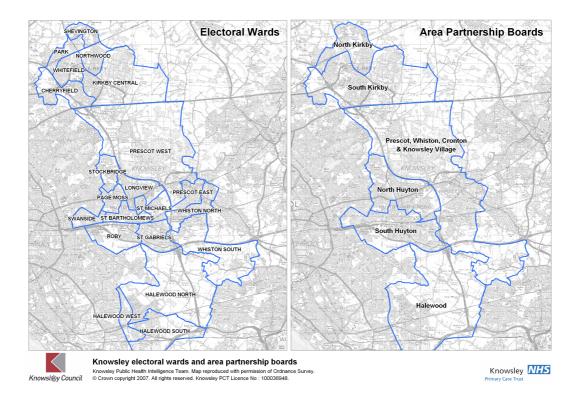


Figure 1: Knowsley electoral wards and area partnership boards. **Source**: Knowsley Public Health Intelligence Team, 2007.

| APB | Ward | Persons |
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| North Kirkby | Northwood | 7,310 |
| | Park | 6,890 |
| | Shevington | 8,460 |
| South Kirkby | Cherryfield | 7,820 |
| | Kirkby Central | 7,080 |
| | Whitefield | 6,560 |
| North Huyton | Longview | 8,760 |
| | Page Moss | 7,110 |
| | Stockbridge | 7,190 |
| | St Michaels | 7,500 |
| South Huyton | Roby | 7,640 |
| | St Bartholomews | 6,910 |
| | St Gabriels | 6,990 |
| | Swanside | 6,520 |
| Prescot, Whiston, Cronton & Knowsley Village | Prescot East | 7,260 |
| | Prescot West | 6,290 |
| | Whiston North | 6,810 |
| | Whiston South | 7,410 |
| Halewood | Halewood North | 6,530 |
| | Halewood South | 7,090 |
| | Halewood West | 7,180 |
| Knowsley | | 151,300 |

Table 1: Knowsley resident population estimates by electoral ward, 2006.

Source: Knowsley Public Health Intelligence Team, 2007.

Population

- In 2006, the resident population of Knowsley stood at 151,300. Although the
 population increased slightly in 2006, population estimates from the Office
 for National Statistics (ONS) show a decline of 12.8% over the past quarter
 of a century.
- Longview electoral ward in North Huyton is the most populated in Knowsley with around 8,760 residents. Prescot West is the least populated in Knowsley, with around 6,290 residents.

Deprivation

- The Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2007 ranks Knowsley as the 8th most deprived local authority in England. Knowsley has the second highest ranking for local concentration in England indicating that there are high concentrations of deprivation in small pockets.
- 47 of Knowsley's 99 Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) are within the 10% most deprived in England. Population estimates for 2005 produced by ONS show 46.2% of Knowsley's population reside in these areas (69,900 people). (Source: ONS, SAPE, 2007).
- 63 of Knowsley's 99 LSOAs are within the 20% most deprived in England. Population estimates for 2005 show 62.2% of Knowsley's population reside in these areas (93,960 people). (Source: ONS, SAPE, 2007).

Life Expectancy

• Life expectancy for both males and females in Knowsley is significantly below that in England.

- Life expectancy for females in Knowsley in 2004-06 was 79.0 years, compared to 81.6 years in England i.e. more than 2½ years lower.
- Life expectancy for males in Knowsley in 2004-06 was 74.4 years, compared to 77.3 years in England i.e. almost 3 years lower.
- Male life expectancy in Knowsley ranges from 70.2 years in Stockbridge electoral ward (North Huyton) to 80.0 years in Halewood North electoral ward (Halewood), a difference of almost 10 years.
- Female life expectancy in Knowsley ranges from 76.1 years in Whitefield electoral ward (South Kirkby) to 85.7 years in Shevington electoral ward (North Kirkby), a difference of more than 9½ years.

Mortality

- Mortality rates for cardiovascular disease, cancer and respiratory disease in Knowsley are significantly above national levels.
- Latest mortality figures (2003-05) from the National Centre for Health Outcomes Development (NCHOD) rank Knowsley 3rd for all causes of mortality, 7th for circulatory disease, 4th for cancer and 2nd for lung cancer out of the 354 local authorities in England (1st having the highest mortality levels).
- Cardiovascular disease (CVD) mortality (2004-06) in Knowsley is 22% above that occurring nationally. Within Knowsley, CVD mortality ranges from 30% below England & Wales in Shevington electoral ward (North Kirkby) to 45% above in Halewood West electoral ward (Halewood).
- Cancer mortality (2004-06) in Knowsley is 27% above that occurring nationally. Within Knowsley, cancer mortality ranges from 17% below levels in England & Wales in Halewood North electoral ward (Halewood) to 93% above in Kirkby Central electoral ward (South Kirkby).
- Mortality from lung cancer (2004-06) in Knowsley is 81% above national levels. Page Moss electoral ward (North Huyton) has a mortality level from lung cancer which is 197% above that occurring nationally.
- Mortality from respiratory disease (2004-06) in Knowsley is 60% above national levels. Within Knowsley, mortality from respiratory disease ranges from 33% below levels in England & Wales in Halewood North electoral ward (Halewood) to 143% above in Stockbridge electoral ward (North Huyton).

Socio-Economic factors

- Levels of smoking in Knowsley are significantly above those occurring nationally. 32.6% of Knowsley residents are current smokers (Knowsley smoking prevalence survey 2007). Within the Borough, smoking levels range from 12.6% in Roby electoral ward (South Huyton) to 46.5% in Page Moss electoral ward (North Huyton).
- Knowsley had the second highest Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) claimant rate in October 2007 out of the 43 local authorities in the North West. 4.0% of the working age population of Knowsley are claiming JSA, compared to 2.5% in the North West and 2.1% in England. (Source: NOMIS).
- Knowsley had the highest Incapacity Benefit & Severe Disablement Allowance (IB & SDA) claimant rate in May 2007 out of the 43 local authorities in the North West. 13.6% of the working age population of Knowsley are claiming IB & SDA, compared to 9.5% in the North West and 6.7% in England. (Source: NOMIS).