



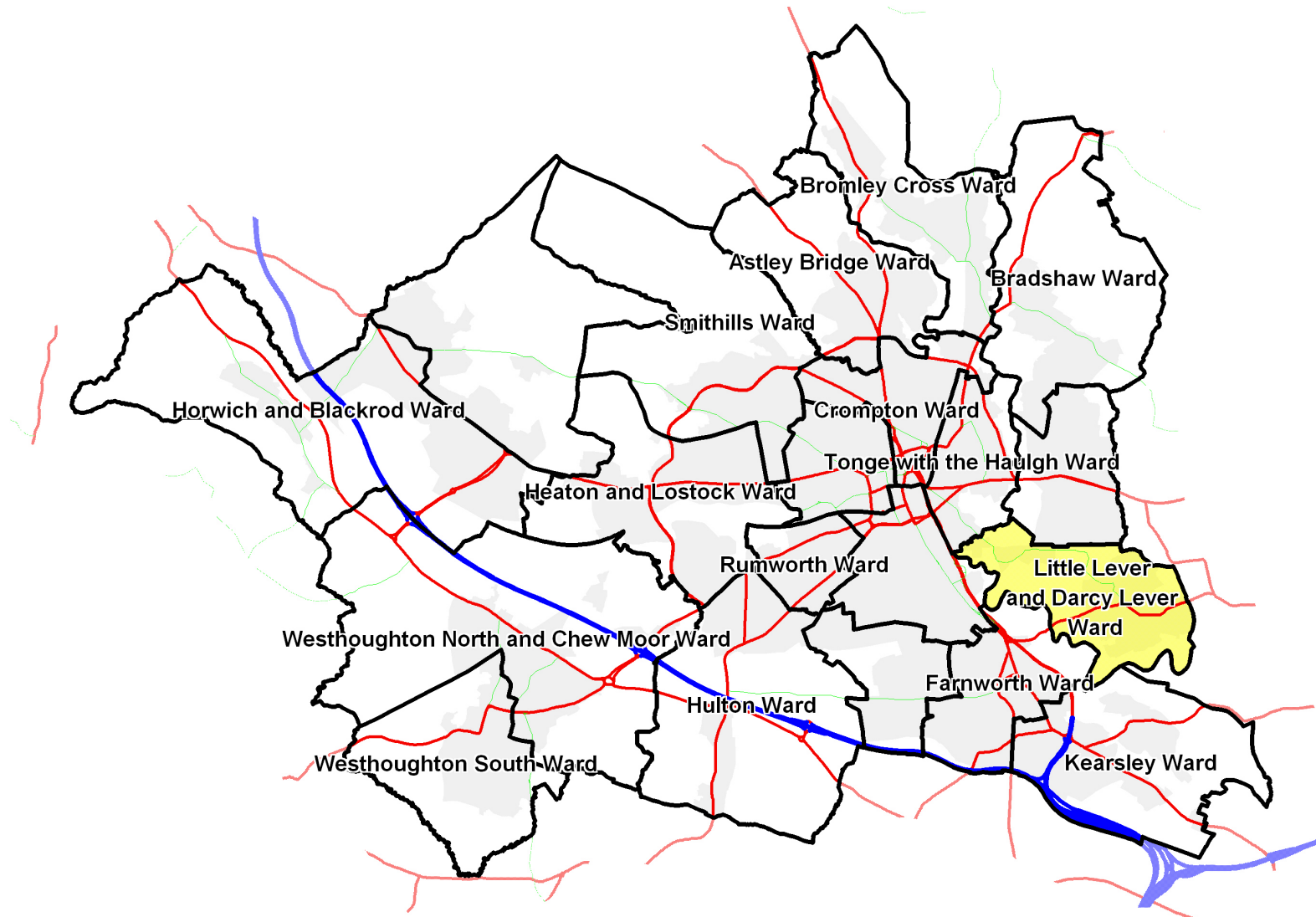
Bolton ward profiles

Little Lever and Darcy Lever

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Introduction

The 2001 Census data is now available for 2004 new Ward boundaries. This report provides a statistical summary of the information we have from the 2001 Census about Bolton's New Wards. This statistical information helps us to understand the diverse people and communities that Bolton Council aims to serve. The information provided by the Census will be fed into how the Council targets its resources effectively and in delivering its services.

What is the Census?

The Census is a count of all people and households, which is carried out once every ten years. The last Census was held on 29 April 2001. It is unique in that it attempts to cover everyone at the same time. The Census asks people a range of questions, for example about their age, economic activity, ethnicity, family, housing and health. In 2001, people were also asked new questions about their religion, qualifications and caring roles.

Methodology

The 2001 Census is also known as the "One Number Census." As well as gathering all of the data from the Census forms, the Office for National Statistics also imputed records for the people and households they thought had been missed by the Census. All of the Census data released adds up to one number, the national estimate of the population.

Geography

For the 2001 Census, "Output Areas" have replaced Enumeration Districts as the smallest geography for which Census data is available. Output areas are built up from postcode units and each output area has around 125 households. The data in these summaries is produced by the ONS and is based on 2001 Output Areas, adjusted to produce best-fit estimates for 2004 new ward boundaries effective from 10 June 2004.

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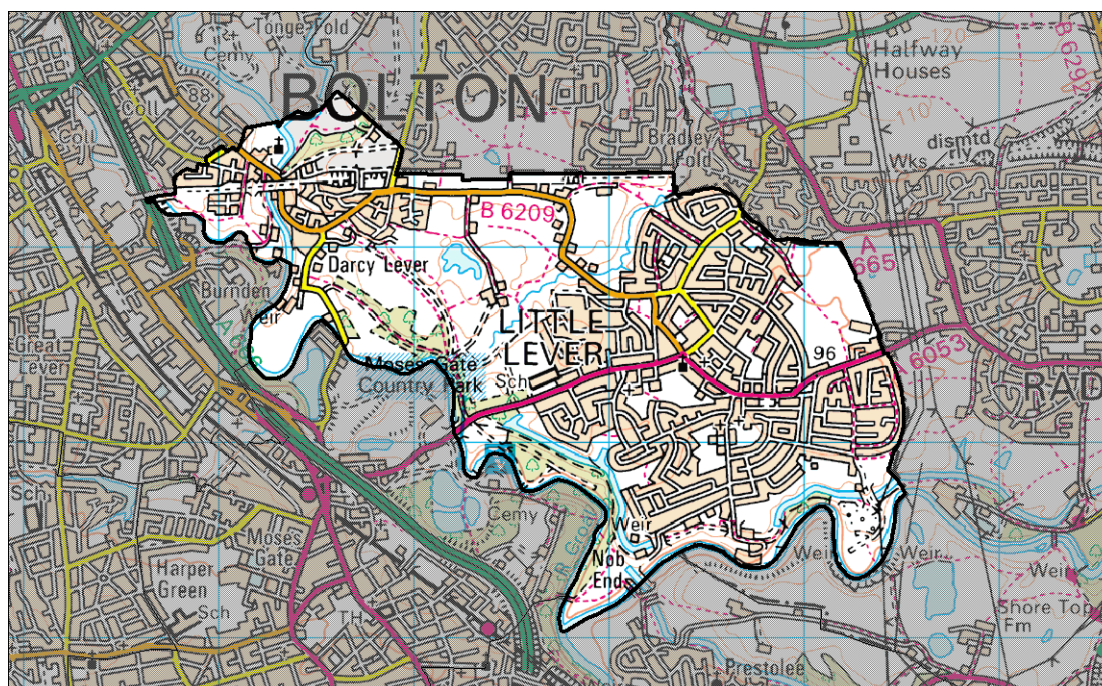
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Little Lever & Darcy Lever Ward Map



Population

Resident Population

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever	Bolton	England & Wales
Resident Population: All People	12,023	261,037	52,041,916
Resident Population: Males	5,967	127,101	25,325,926
Resident Population: Females	6,056	133,936	26,715,990
Area (Hectares)	481	13,980	15,102,075
Population Density (number of people per hectare)	25.0	18.7	3.5

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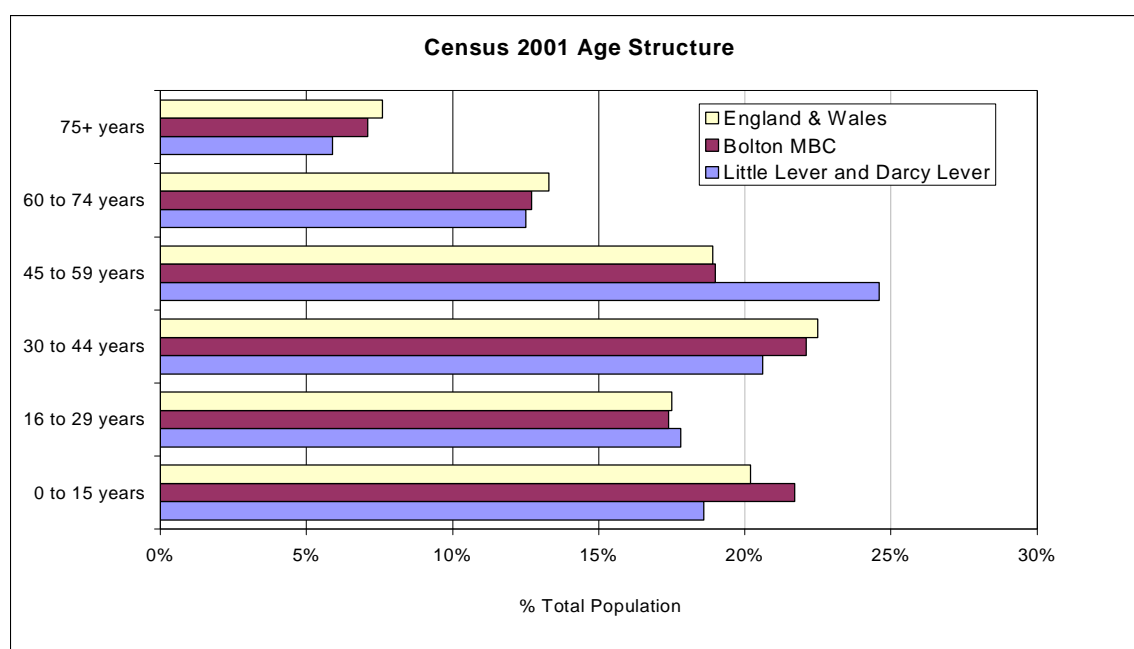
- Little Lever & Darcy Lever has a total resident population of around 12,000 people and covers an area of 481 hectares. It is home to approximately 6,000 males and 6,000 females.
- Little Lever & Darcy Lever's population density is significantly higher than Bolton and England & Wales at 25.0 people per hectare, compared to Bolton at 18.7 and England & Wales at 3.5.

Age Structure

The Census 2001 information on age structure is derived from the date of birth question included as compulsory on the Census questionnaire, and refers to age at a person's last birthday at the time of the Census, i.e. 29th April 2001.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
0 to 15 years	2,237	18.6	21.7	20.2
16 to 29 years	2,139	17.8	17.4	17.5
30 to 44 years	2,474	20.6	22.1	22.5
45 to 59 years	2,964	24.6	19.0	18.9
60 to 74 years	1,503	12.5	12.7	13.3
75+ years	713	5.9	7.1	7.6

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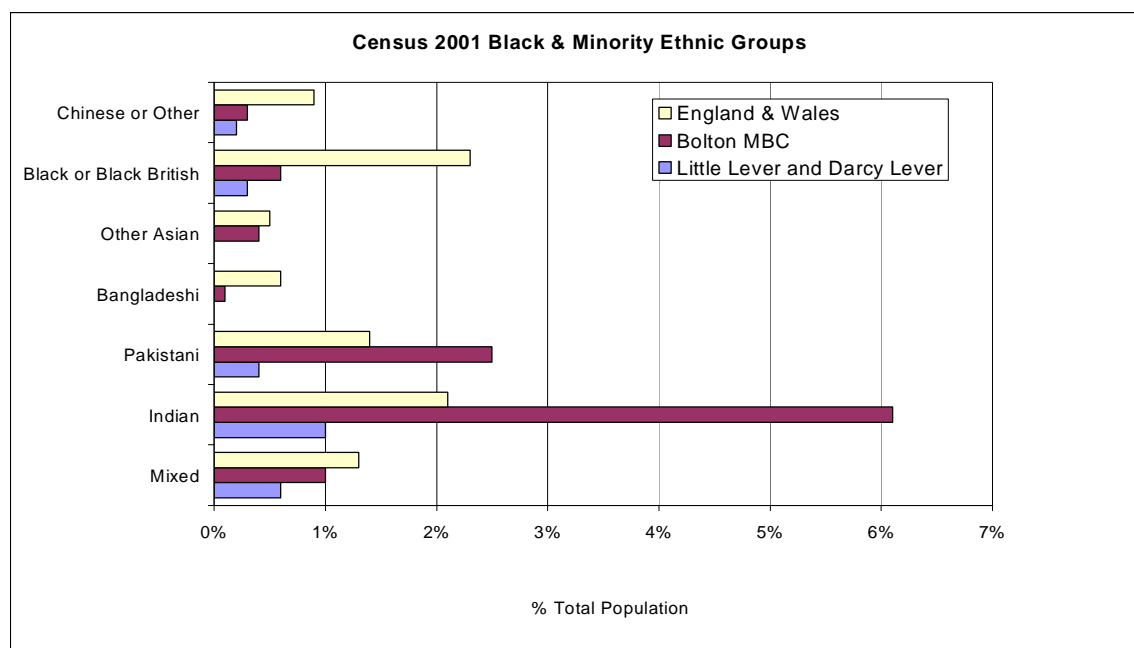
- Little Lever & Darcy Lever's population structure roughly follows the Bolton and national figures, however it has more middle-aged adults than national and local comparators.
- Dependent children, (0-15), make up just less than 1 in 5 of the population and people of Pensionable age, (60+), make up less than 1 in 5, a roughly similar proportion to both Bolton and England & Wales.

Ethnicity

The Census 2001 collected information about which ethnic group a respondent classified themselves as, using a pre-determined list of 16 categories, (with the option of ticking 'other' and writing in their ethnicity if it did not fit with the prescribed groupings). The first ethnicity questions were asked in 1991, however the categories used to classify ethnicity were significantly altered for the 2001 Census form so it is not possible to accurately track changes over time.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England (%)
White	11,734	97.6	89.0	90.9
Mixed	74	0.6	1.0	1.3
Asian or Asian British	165	1.4	9.1	4.6
Black or Black British	33	0.3	0.6	2.3
Chinese or Other	20	0.2	0.3	0.9

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS06, 'Ethnicity', Crown Copyright.



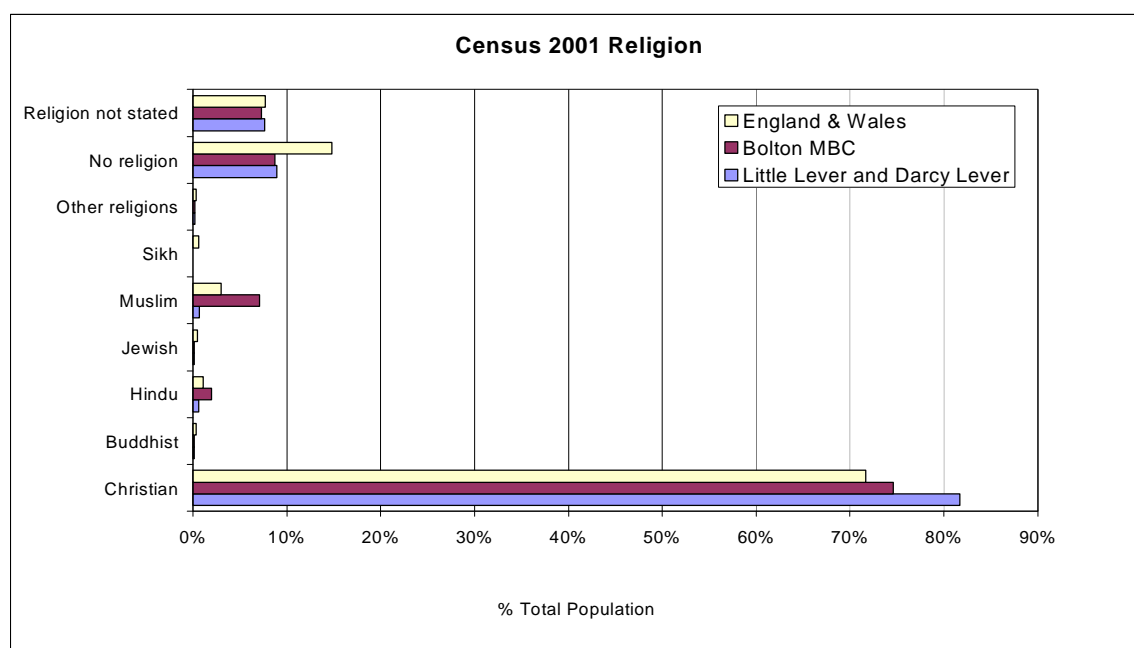
- Little Lever & Darcy Lever contains significantly smaller numbers of people of Black or Minority Ethnic, (BME), origin than Bolton and England. Around 2% of the population are from a non-White BME group, compared to 11% in Bolton and 9% in England.
- The largest BME group within Little Lever & Darcy Lever is people of Indian origin, who constitute 1% of the total population, (compared to 6% in Bolton and 2% in England).
- There are also small numbers of people of Pakistani and mixed ethnic origin, but no other minority ethnic group constitutes more than 1% of the total population of Little Lever & Darcy Lever.

Religion

In 2001 the Census collected information about religious identity for the first time in England, Wales and Scotland, although the subject had been previously included in Censuses in Northern Ireland. The Census religion question was the only section of the questionnaire that was voluntary, however around 92% of respondents in Little Lever & Darcy Lever chose to answer it.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
Christian	9,828	81.7	74.6	71.7
Buddhist	13	0.1	0.1	0.3
Hindu	78	0.6	2.0	1.1
Jewish	14	0.1	0.1	0.5
Muslim	83	0.7	7.1	3.0
Sikh	4	0.0	0.0	0.6
Other religions	23	0.2	0.2	0.3
No religion	1,071	8.9	8.7	14.8
Religion not stated	910	7.6	7.3	7.7

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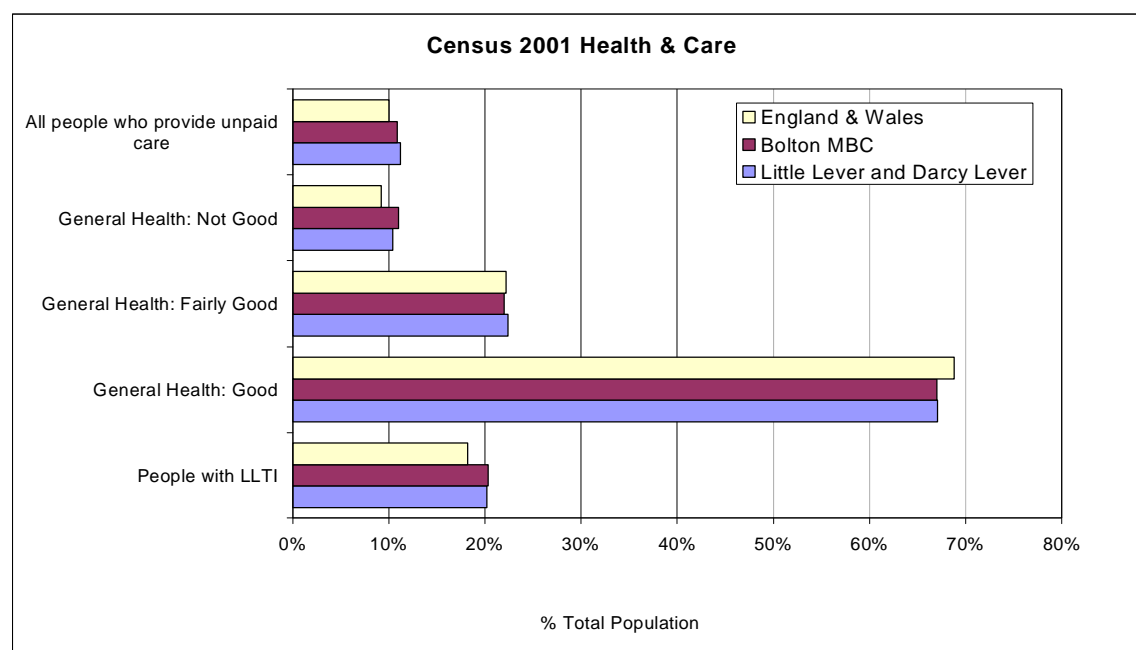
- Around 82% of people in Little Lever & Darcy Lever stated their religion was Christianity, compared to 75% in Bolton and 72% in England & Wales. There were low levels of all other major religions, including Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, Islam and others.
- Little Lever & Darcy Lever as a whole also demonstrated relatively high levels of religiosity, with only 9% of the population stating they had no religion, compared to 15% in England & Wales.

Health & Care

For the first time in 2001 the Census included several questions relating to individual self-assessment of health. Respondents were asked if they had a long-term limiting illness, (LLTI), health problem or disability which limits their daily activity or the work they can do, (including problems that are associated with old age). Further to this individuals were also asked to rate their overall general health in the 12 months preceding the Census, and were also asked if they provided any kind of unpaid care to another person, (such as a friend, neighbour or relative), resulting from their long-term physical or mental health or disability.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
People with LLTI	2,427	20.2	20.3	18.2
General Health: Good	8,071	67.1	67.0	68.6
General Health: Fairly Good	2,698	22.4	22.0	22.2
General Health: Not Good	1,254	10.4	11.0	9.2
Provide Unpaid Care	1,348	11.2	10.9	10.5

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS08, 'Health & the Provision of Unpaid Care', Crown Copyright.



- In 2001 people in Little Lever & Darcy Lever were as likely to state they had an LLTI than people in Bolton as a whole, (20% compared to 20%).
- People in Little Lever & Darcy Lever were also as likely to state their health over the past year had been 'good' and slightly less likely to state it had been 'not good'. 67% of residents in Little Lever & Darcy Lever had 'good' health and 11% 'not good', compared to Bolton with 67% 'good' and 10% 'not good'.
- Around 1 in 10 people in Little Lever & Darcy Lever provided some form of unpaid care, roughly equivalent to the Bolton and national figure.

Households & Housing

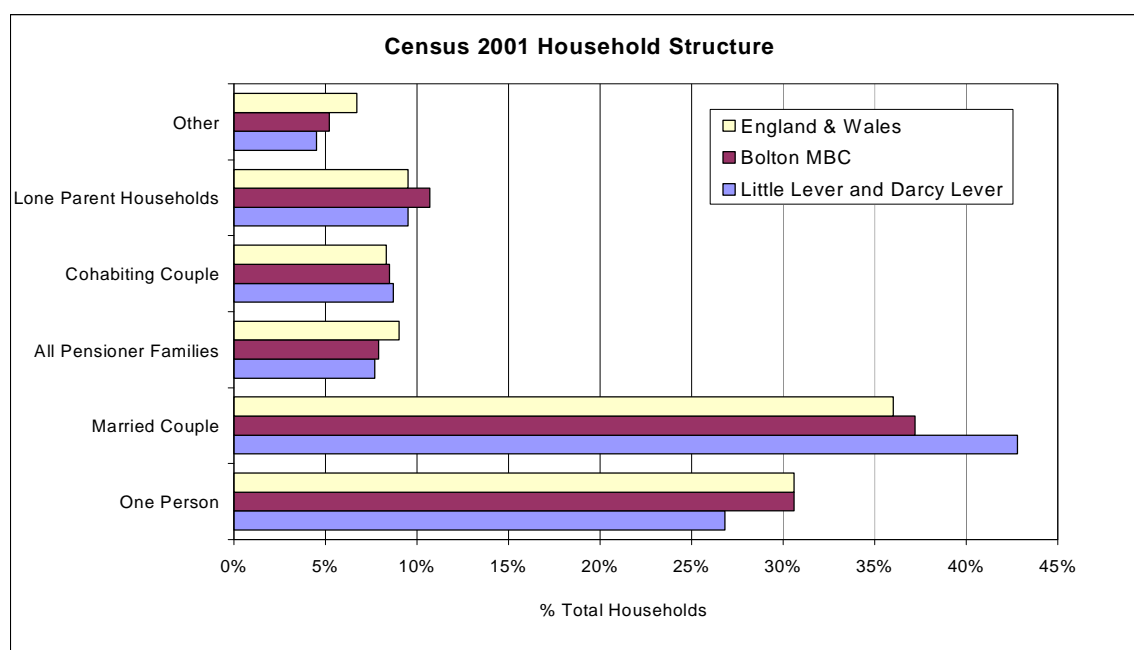
Household Structure

The 2001 Census used the basic unit of 'household', instead of 'family,' to classify the way people live today. A 'household' can consist of one person living alone, or a group of people living at the same address with common housekeeping, i.e. sharing a living room or sitting room or at least one meal a day.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
All Households	4,999	-	-	-
Average Household Size	-	2.40	2.39	2.36
One Person	1,339	26.8	30.6	30.6
Married Couple	2,142	42.8	37.2	36.0
All Pensioner Families	383	7.7	7.9	9.0
Cohabiting Couple	435	8.7	8.5	8.3
Lone Parent Households	474	9.5	10.7	9.5
Other	226	4.5	5.2	6.7

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS20, 'Household Composition', Crown Copyright.

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS19, 'Rooms, amenities, central heating and lowest floor level', Crown Copyright.



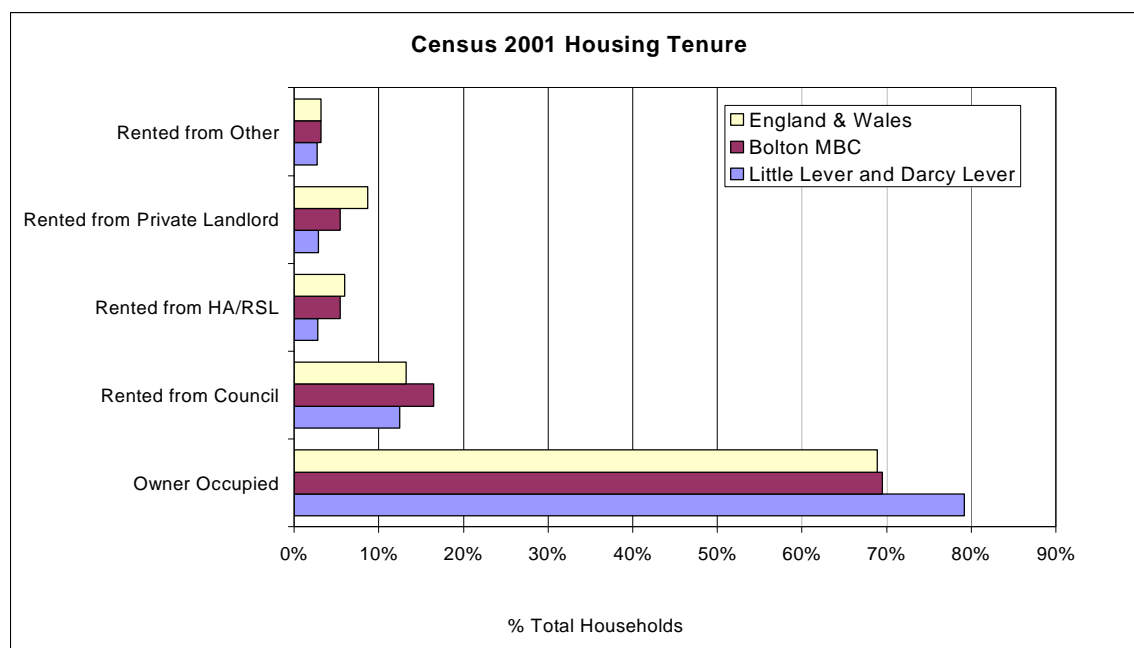
- In 2001 Little Lever & Darcy Lever was home to approximately 5,000 households, with an average of 2.40 persons per household.
- There were significantly more married couples resident in Little Lever & Darcy Lever, and significantly less one-person households.
- 52% of all households were headed by a married or cohabiting couple, (with or without children), whilst only 27% of households consisted of a single person. This can be compared to 45% of households England & Wales headed by a married or cohabiting couple, and 31% by a single person.

Housing Tenure

Housing tenure refers to the financial arrangements under which someone has the right to live in a house, for instance if they own their own home or rent from a landlord. The tenure of a household is derived from the response to the question asking whether the household owns or rents its accommodation and, if rented, from the response to the question asking who is the landlord.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
Owner Occupied	3,957	79.2	69.5	68.9
Rented from Council	625	12.5	16.5	13.2
Rented from HA/RSL	138	2.8	5.4	6.0
Rented from Private Landlord	144	2.9	5.4	8.7
Rented from Other	135	2.7	3.2	3.2

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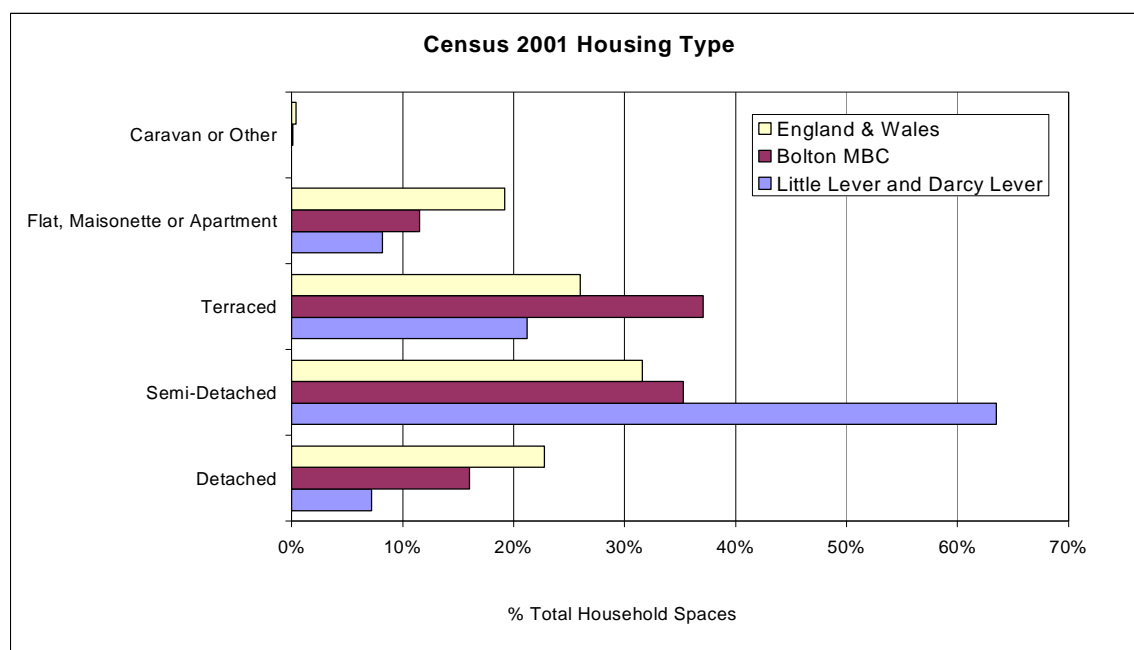
- The majority of households in Little Lever & Darcy Lever are owner-occupiers, with relatively few households of any other tenure. 79% of household spaces are owner-occupied in Little Lever & Darcy Lever, compared to 69% in comparator areas.
- 13% of households rent their property from the council but there are very small numbers of households of other tenures, including renting from Housing Associations, privately rented households and renting from other.

Household Spaces & Accommodation Type

The 2001 Census also collected information on the number and type of 'household spaces'. A 'household space' is a term the ONS uses to describe the accommodation occupied by an individual household. The number of 'household spaces' in an area is not the same as the number of properties, since one building could accommodate several 'household spaces', (for instance a property containing several flats). Furthermore information on household spaces will not directly match information on the number of households, as some spaces would have been classed as 'vacant' or 'second homes' at the time of the 2001 Census.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
All Household Spaces	5,144	-	-	-
Detached	371	7.2	16.0	22.8
Semi-Detached	3,264	63.5	35.3	31.6
Terraced	1,085	21.1	37.1	26.0
Flat, Maisonette or Apartment	421	8.2	11.5	19.2
Caravan or Other	0	0.0	0.1	0.4

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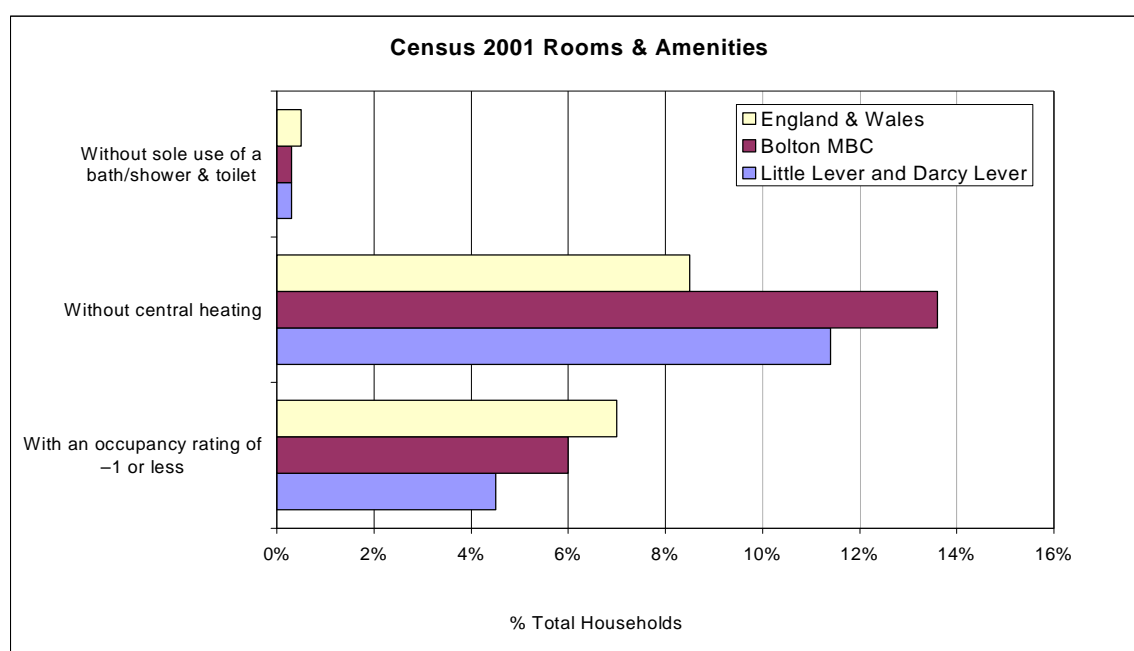
- At the time of the 2001 Census there were approximately 5,100 household spaces in Little Lever & Darcy Lever. Around 92% of these were whole houses, (i.e. detached, semi-detached or terraced), with around 8% flats. This can be compared to England & Wales with around 80% whole houses and 20% flats or apartments.
- Looking at the houses in Little Lever & Darcy Lever, the majority of these were semi-detached, followed by terraced then detached houses.
- 64% of all household spaces in Little Lever & Darcy Lever were semi-detached houses, more than double the level in England & Wales at 32%. Conversely only 7% of household spaces were detached houses, compared to 23% nationally.

Household Amenities & Overcrowding

The 2001 Census contained two questions relating to the amenities in a household: whether or not a household had a bath/shower and toilet exclusively available for its use, and also whether or not the dwelling had central heating. There was also a question on the number of rooms which, combined with household information, was used by the ONS to calculate overcrowding levels.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
With an occupancy rating of -1 or less	223	4.5	6.0	7.0
Without central heating	572	11.4	13.6	8.5
Without sole use of a bath/shower & toilet	13	0.3	0.3	0.5
Average number of rooms	-	5.08	5.18	5.34

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS19, 'Rooms, amenities, central heating and lowest floor level', Crown Copyright.



- In Little Lever & Darcy Lever there were 572 households, (11%), without central heating, and less than one percent of households did not have sole use of a bath or shower & toilet in 2001.
- Properties in Little Lever & Darcy Lever tended to be smaller, with an average of 5.08 rooms per household, compared to 5.18 in Bolton and 5.34 in England & Wales.
- In 2001, Little Lever & Darcy Lever had 223 households, or 4.5%, who suffered from overcrowding and had an occupancy rating of -1 or less. This can be compared to 6% in Bolton and 7% in England & Wales. The occupancy rating provides a measure of under-occupancy & overcrowding; a value of -1 indicates that there is one room too few and therefore overcrowding in the household¹.

¹ The occupancy rating assumes that every household, including one-person households, requires a minimum of two common rooms, (excluding bathrooms).

Employment & Skills

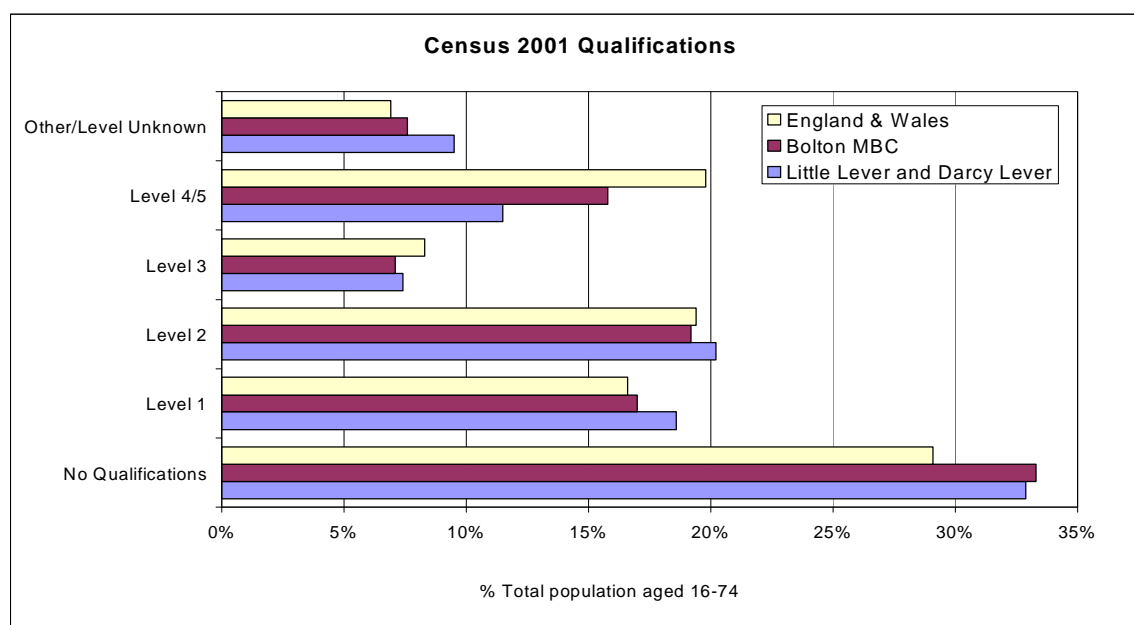
Qualifications

Part of the 2001 Census form included a separate section for respondents aged 16-74 only, for information on qualifications & labour market status. Qualifications were classified according to the highest level achieved as stated by the respondent, (see table below).

Level 1	1+ 'O' level GSE passes; 1+ CSE/GCSE any grade; NVQ level 1; Foundation GNVQ.
Level 2	5+ 'O' level passes; 5+ CSEs (grade 1s); 5+ GCSEs (grades A-C); School Certificate; 1+ 'A' levels/AS' levels; NVQ level 2; Intermediate GNVQ.
Level 3	2+ 'A' levels; 4+ AS levels; Higher School Certificate; NVQ level 3; Advanced GNVQ.
Level 4/5	First degree; Higher degree; NVQ levels 4 and 5; HNC; HND; Qualified Teacher Status; Qualified Medical Doctor; Qualified Dentist; Qualified Nurse; Midwife; Health Visitor.
Other/Level Unknown	Other qualifications not listed; other professional qualifications not listed.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
No Qualifications	2,985	32.9	33.3	29.1
Level 1	1,684	18.6	17.0	16.6
Level 2	1,833	20.2	19.2	19.4
Level 3	668	7.4	7.1	8.3
Level 4/5	1,044	11.5	15.8	19.8
Other/Level Unknown	863	9.5	7.6	6.9

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS13, 'Qualifications & Students', Crown Copyright.



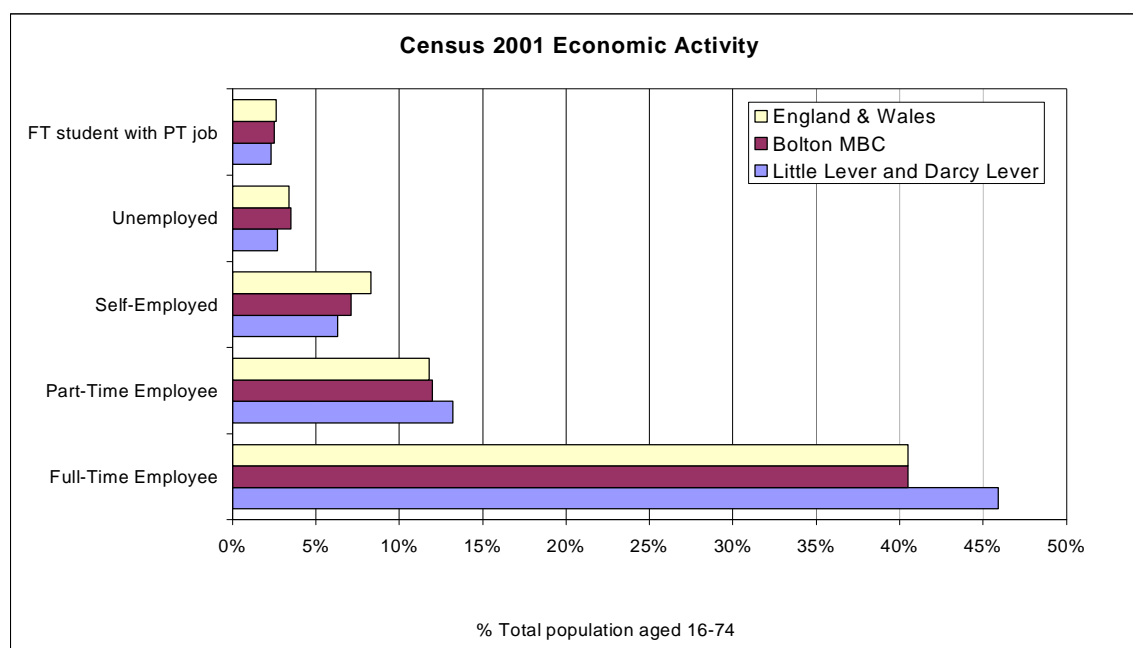
- People aged 16-74 in Little Lever & Darcy Lever were slightly more likely to have no qualifications and slightly less likely to be educated to a higher level.
- 1 in 3 in Little Lever & Darcy Lever had no qualifications, roughly the same as Bolton as a whole. However only 1 in 10 were educated to graduate level, compared to 1 in 6 in Bolton and 1 in 5 nationwide.

Economic Activity

Questions on whether a person was working or not were also asked of all Census respondents aged 16-74. The answers to these questions were used to determine their 'economic activity' status. 'Economically active' is a term used to describe someone who is either working or actively seeking work.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
Economically Active	6,394	70.4	65.5	66.6
Employee	5,360	59.0	52.4	52.3
Full-Time	4,164	45.9	40.5	40.5
Part-Time	1,196	13.2	12.0	11.8
Self-Employed	576	6.3	7.1	8.3
Unemployed ²	247	2.7	3.5	3.4
FT student with PT job	211	2.3	2.5	2.6

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- People aged 16-74 in Little Lever & Darcy Lever are relatively more likely to be 'economically active' and less likely to be 'economically inactive' than the rest of the population in Bolton and England & Wales. 70% of 16-74 year olds in Little Lever & Darcy Lever were economically active in 2001, compared to 66% in Bolton as a whole.
- Of these economically active individuals there are significantly more employees or self-employed and less who are 'unemployed'.
- 46% of the population aged 16-74 in Little Lever & Darcy Lever were full-time employees, compared to 41% in Bolton and England & Wales. Conversely only 2.7% were unemployed, compared to approximately 3.5% in Bolton & England & Wales.

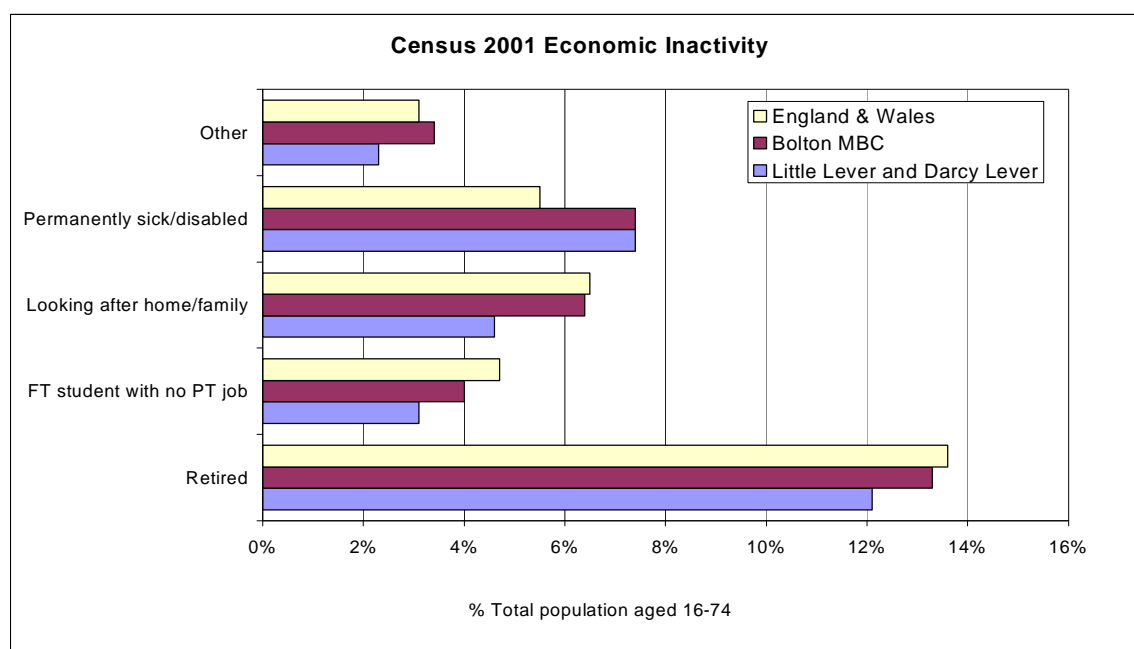
² A person is defined as unemployed if he or she is not in employment, is available to start work in the next two weeks and has either looked for work in the last four weeks or is waiting to start a new job.

Economic Inactivity

Questions asked of people aged 16-74 on their employment status were also used to determine 'economic inactivity' levels. 'Economically inactive' broadly describes people who are not employed and are not actively seeking work, for a variety of reasons. This could include people who are retired, in full-time education, (with no part-time job), looking after a home or family or sick/disabled and unable to work.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
Economic Inactivity	2,684	29.6	34.5	33.4
Retired	1,100	12.1	13.3	13.6
FT student with no PT job	285	3.1	4.0	4.7
Looking after home or family	422	4.6	6.4	6.5
Permanently sick or disabled	672	7.4	7.4	5.5
Other	205	2.3	3.4	3.1

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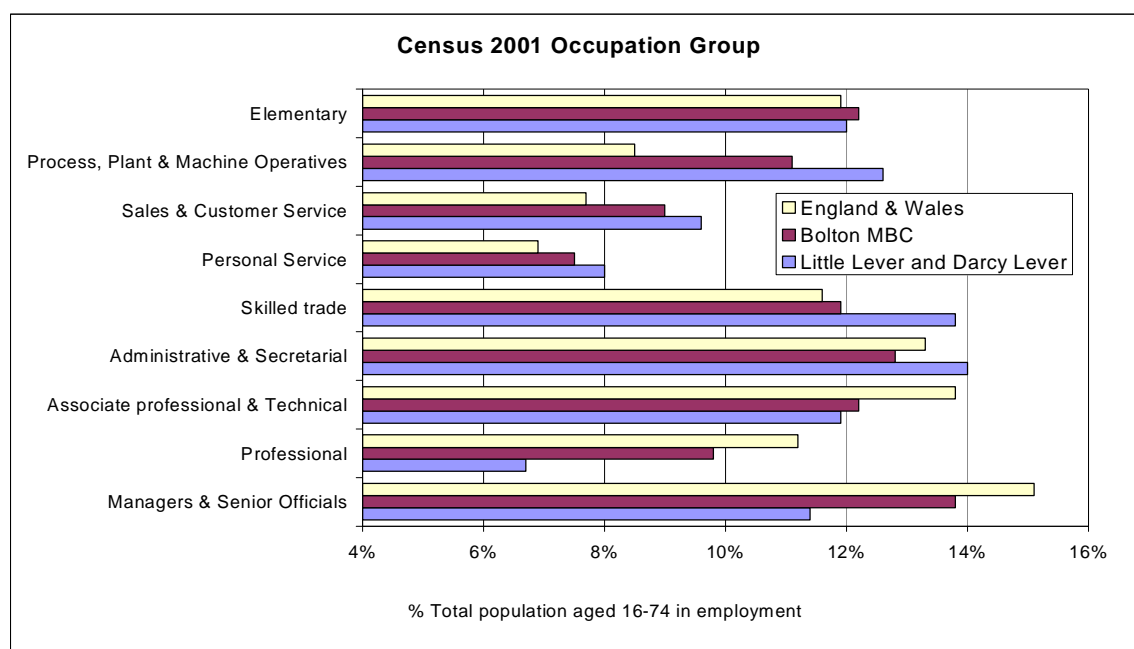
- Little Lever & Darcy Lever has a smaller proportion of economically inactive individuals than Bolton and England & Wales, with 30% of people aged 16-74 economically inactive compared to 34% in Bolton as a whole.
- Regarding the economically inactive population in Little Lever & Darcy Lever these are less likely to be retired, full-time students or looking after home or family than Bolton or England & Wales, and more likely to be permanently sick or disabled.
- 12% of people aged 16-74 in Little Lever & Darcy are retired, 3% are full-time students and 4% are looking after a home or family. This can be compared to 14% retired, 5% full-time students and 7% looking after home or family in England & Wales. 7.4% of the population do not work as a result of sickness or disability, compared to 5.5% nationally.

Occupation Group

People aged 16-74 who stated they were an employee or self-employed were also asked to provide further details on the Census form with a job description question asking for the full title of their main job and the description of what is done in that job. These were then coded to the 2000 edition of the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) to give the person an occupational grade.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
Managers & Senior Officials	701	11.4	13.8	15.1
Professional	410	6.7	9.8	11.2
Associate professional & Technical	731	11.9	12.2	13.8
Administrative & Secretarial	859	14.0	12.8	13.3
Skilled trade	846	13.8	11.9	11.6
Personal Service	488	8.0	7.5	6.9
Sales & Customer Service	586	9.6	9.0	7.7
Process, Plant & Machine Operatives	775	12.6	11.1	8.5
Elementary	735	12.0	12.2	11.9

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS12, 'Occupation Groups', Crown Copyright.



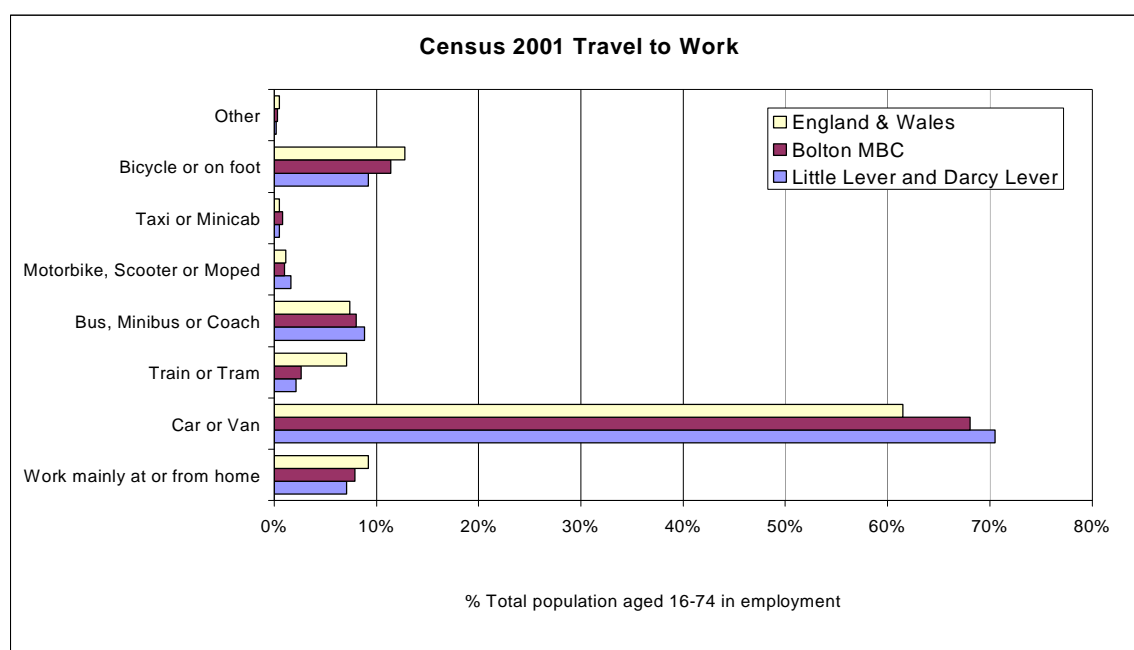
- There are slightly less people in employment in higher-grade occupations, and more in lower-grade, elementary occupations in Little Lever & Darcy Lever than both Bolton and England & Wales.
- 30% of the employed population in Little Lever & Darcy Lever worked in the top three occupational tiers, compared to Bolton with 36%. Equally 34% of all workers in Little Lever & Darcy Lever are employed in the bottom three occupational tiers compared to 33% in Bolton and 28% in England & Wales.

Travel to Work

People aged 16-74 in employment were also asked to give the postcode of their usual place of work, and describe the means of travel used for the longest part, by distance.

	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (Numbers)	Little Lever & Darcy Lever (%)	Bolton (%)	England & Wales (%)
Work mainly at or from home	437	7.1	7.9	9.2
Car or Van	4,319	70.5	68.1	61.5
Drive	3,790	61.9	59.8	55.2
Passenger	529	8.6	8.3	6.3
Train or Tram	129	2.1	2.6	7.1
Bus, Minibus or Coach	539	8.8	8.0	7.4
Motorbike, Scooter or Moped	96	1.6	1.0	1.1
Taxi or Minicab	33	0.5	0.8	0.5
Bicycle or on foot	561	9.2	11.4	12.8
Other	11	0.2	0.3	0.5
Average distance travelled to work (km)	-	9.9km	11.5km	13.4km

Source: Census 2001, Key Statistics Table KS15, 'Travel to Work', Crown Copyright.



- In 2001 the average distance travelled to work in Little Lever & Darcy Lever was 9.9km. This was lower than the distance travelled for workers in Bolton, (11.5km), and England & Wales, (13.4km).
- The majority of workers in Little Lever & Darcy Lever travelled to work by car or van, with extremely small numbers using public transport or journeying on foot or bicycle.
- 71% of workers travelled by car to work, whilst only 11% used some form of public transport, (bus, mini-bus, coach, train or tram), and a further 9% travelled on foot or by bike. This can be compared to over 10% in Bolton and 15% nationwide using public transport, and 11% in Bolton and 13% in England & Wales travelling on foot or on a bicycle.



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