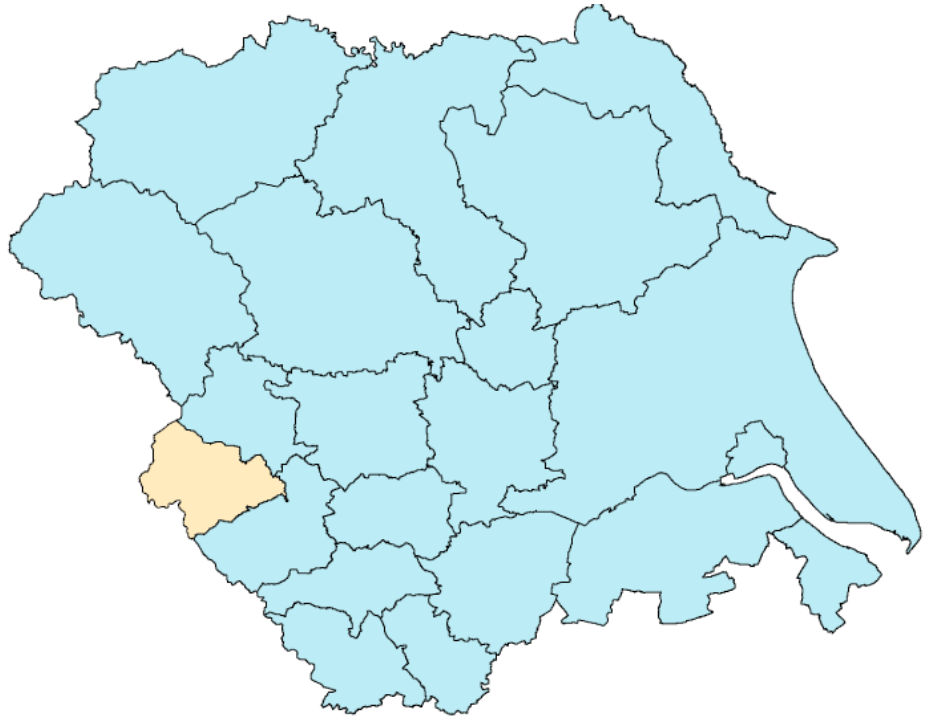


# Calderdale

Local  
Migration  
Profile  
2019

**Summary  
Document**



This document summarises the main migration trends and latest data that we can access for Calderdale. You are welcome to share this document publicly.

The full Local Migration Profile document contains information about data sources and is available at: [www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/statistics](http://www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/statistics)



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# Summary of migration trends in Calderdale

## Overall population change

The **local population** was estimated at almost 210,100 in 2018 [the 'mid year estimate']; an increase of just over 600 people [or 0.3%] since 2017.

**Population change** is affected by natural change [births and deaths] and migration [international and internally within the UK]. Population growth here is driven by natural change but international migration and internal migration [from other parts of the UK] also contribute.

## New arrivals

Different measures of immigration suggest that between 580 and 740 new **long-term immigrants** [expected to stay more than a year] arrived in Calderdale in 2018. The official estimate from ONS falls in the middle of this range. Note that at the time of writing GP registration data, which usually provides a higher estimate, was not available for 2018.

**Net migration** to Calderdale was almost 500 in 2018; a small increase on the previous year. ONS expects immigration to fall and emigration to increase a little in the next few years resulting in a future net migration figure of around 200. This projection assumes no changes in policy or international conditions, and note it does not incorporate anticipated changes relating to the UK leaving the EU.

Around 80 **short-term migrants** visited Calderdale in 2017 to work or study for up to 12 months; over three quarters of these were short term workers rather than students.

## Reasons for migration

### Work

The overall number of **new migrant workers** arriving in Calderdale in 2018 was just over 580, a fall of around 70 compared to the previous year. There were small reductions in arrivals from most regions of the world. Romania showed the greatest change [around 30 fewer arrivals than in 2017].

- The number of new migrant **workers from EU accession countries** was around 180 in 2018, a small decrease on the previous year.
- **Workers from non-accession countries** also fell slightly to just over 390, but remaining higher than the accession group for the fourth year running.

India remains the top country of origin with 128 arrivals in 2018, followed by Pakistan with 75, Poland with 70 and Romania with 48 arrivals.

### Study

There are no **international students** in Calderdale undertaking Higher Education courses at registered institutions although some establishments may offer Further Education courses to international students [see Education section below].

### Protection

Some **asylum seekers** are housed and supported here through the Home Office dispersal system. Published Home Office figures show that at the start of April 2019, 385 people were being supported in Calderdale while awaiting a decision on their claim [known as Section 95 support]: 372 people were being accommodated, and there were 13 people receiving

subsistence-only support i.e. no accommodation.

There were also around 15 **unaccompanied asylum seeking children** [UASC] being looked after by the local authority at the end of March 2018. These are children who are in the UK without family and have claimed asylum in their own right. They are separate to the dispersal system for asylum seekers described above.

Those granted protection by the Home Office may then stay in the area as **refugees**. Other groups of refugees are resettled directly from another country. For example, through the Syrian Resettlement Programme six resettled Syrians arrived in Calderdale during the past year [April 2018 – March 2019].

## Indicators of diversity

The diversity of Calderdale's population is suggested by several longer-term indicators:

- The non-British population comprises 4% of the community, compared to an average of 7% for the Yorkshire and Humber region.
- Those who were not born in the UK form 8% of Calderdale's population, below the 10% average for Yorkshire and Humber as a whole and have settled particularly in Park, Warley and Skircoat wards.
- Around 5,250 pupils at school in Calderdale have a first language that is not English. This is equivalent to 16% of primary pupils and 13% of secondary pupils; slightly below the Yorkshire and Humber averages of 18% and 14% respectively. During the past few years the upward trend has begun to stabilise, and may even reverse.
- 5 in every 1,000 new GP registrations in Calderdale are made by people who previously lived abroad, compared with an average of 9 per 1,000 across Yorkshire and Humber.
- While the fertility rate in Calderdale continues to be just above the Yorkshire and Humber average, new births in Calderdale to mothers who were born outside the UK remain lower than the average of 21% for Yorkshire and Humber, at 17% of all new births in 2017.

## Further indicators of migration

### Research

Migration Yorkshire has an online database of migration reports covering Yorkshire and the Humber, with the option of filtering results by migrant group, theme, topic and place. Search the database at [www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/researchdatabase](http://www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk/researchdatabase).

### Employers

A number of organisations in the region can employ migrants from outside the EU under the Points Based System including skilled [Tier 2] and temporary workers [Tier 5]. Details at: [www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-workers](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-workers)

### Education

A number of educational institutions in the region are registered to sponsor migrant students from outside the EU under Tier 4 of the Points Based System. Full details at: [www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-students](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-students)

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