

Dudley borough in numbers - January 2020

Population 320,626 (2018)



Number of young people aged under 15 is

58,461



Number of people aged 65 and over is

65,175

Health



Average life expectancy for men 78.9 years



Average life expectancy for women 82.9 years

Life expectancy for men in the most deprived areas of Dudley is **9 years lower** than in the least deprived areas, **7.2 years lower** for women

Housing



139,058 residential properties (DMBC 2018)

21,597 Council housing (DMBC Revenues 01.10.19)



the average house price is

£183,419

West Midlands average is

£206,950 (to year ending 30.09.2018)

Education

58% of Dudley pupils are meeting the expected standard at Key Stage 2 compared to 64% for England

75.8% of Primary children and

78.3% of Secondary children attend a Good or Outstanding school



90.6% of young people aged 16-18 are participating in education or training compared to 85.4% for England

Business & investment

Total businesses in Dudley is 10,775 highest in the Black Country



DY5, DUDLEY'S BUSINESS AND INNOVATION ENTERPRISE ZONE HAS SUPPORTED THE CREATION OF

741 JOBS

£1 Billion INVESTMENT PIPELINE INCLUDING THE WEDNESBURY TO BRIERLEY HILL METRO EXTENSION

Safety



Dudley remains one of the safest boroughs within the West Midlands Police area for total recorded crime per 1000 population

Employment



Employment rate is 71.3%, highest employment rate in the Black Country (July 18 - June 19)

TOP THREE EMPLOYMENT SECTORS ARE



Retail (13,000 staff)



Education (11,000 staff)



Health (10,000 staff) (BRES 2016: open access)

Median wage is £27,295, highest average full-time earnings in the Black Country in 2018



Tourism

Internationally recognised Zoological Gardens, open-air Black Country Living Museum and Dudley Canal Trust



Over 5m day trips are made to Dudley each year contributing £169m to the local economy

Level of homelessness (DMBC 17/18)



Around 2,300 households presented as homeless, many just need housing advice.



826 households prevented from becoming homeless (2018/19)



Rough sleeping increased from 11 cases in 2017 to 5 in 2018

Deprivation

104th most deprived of 317 local authorities in England



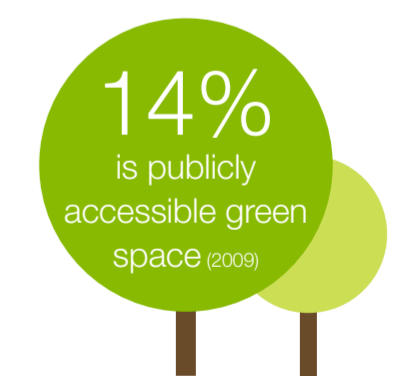
28.1% of the Dudley population live in areas amongst the 20% most deprived in England

17.3% of the Dudley population live in areas amongst the 20% least deprived in England

Environment

Area of 38 sq miles/ 98 sq km, of which...

14% is publicly accessible green space (2009)



Welfare & benefits

26,475 claimants in receipt of Housing Benefit or Council Tax Reduction



18,4766 Universal Credit claimants within the Dudley borough
£594k awarded in Discretionary Housing Payments within 19/20