

Electoral Division Profile

Oulton (62)

This Division comprises Lothingland, Oulton, Oulton Broad and St. Margaret's wards.

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Electoral Division Profiles: an introduction

These documents have been produced to support elected members, constituents and other interested parties in understanding the demographic, economic and educational profile of their neighbourhoods. We have used the latest data available at the time of publication.

Much more data is available from national and local sources than is captured here, but it is hoped that the profile will be useful starting point for discussion, where local knowledge and experience can be used to flesh out and illuminate the statistical evidence base presented here.

The profile can be used to look at some fundamental questions e.g.

- How many people make up the population of the Division? Does the age profile match or differ from the national profile? Is there evidence of the ageing profile of the county in all the wards in the Division or just some? How diverse is the community in terms of ethnicity?
- What are the circumstances affecting people in the area? Are levels of deprivation uniform across the area or are there variations? What is the impact of deprivation on families and residents? Does there seem to be a link between deprivation and school performance?
- The data on employment shows which sectors employees in the area work in. The job seekers allowance claimants data shows the changing numbers of claimants over the past four years. Is the impact of the recession locally related to the employment profile of the area?

This is the first time that Electoral Division Profiles have been produced in Suffolk, and we welcome feedback on both the content and format of the documents.

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Technical Notes:

1. Where Electoral Divisions do not exactly match ward boundaries, we have adopted a "best fit" approach to produce a dataset.
2. Where data is not available at ward level, we have used the relevant District level data to offer a comparison.
3. County level data is provided where possible to provide a context for comparisons.

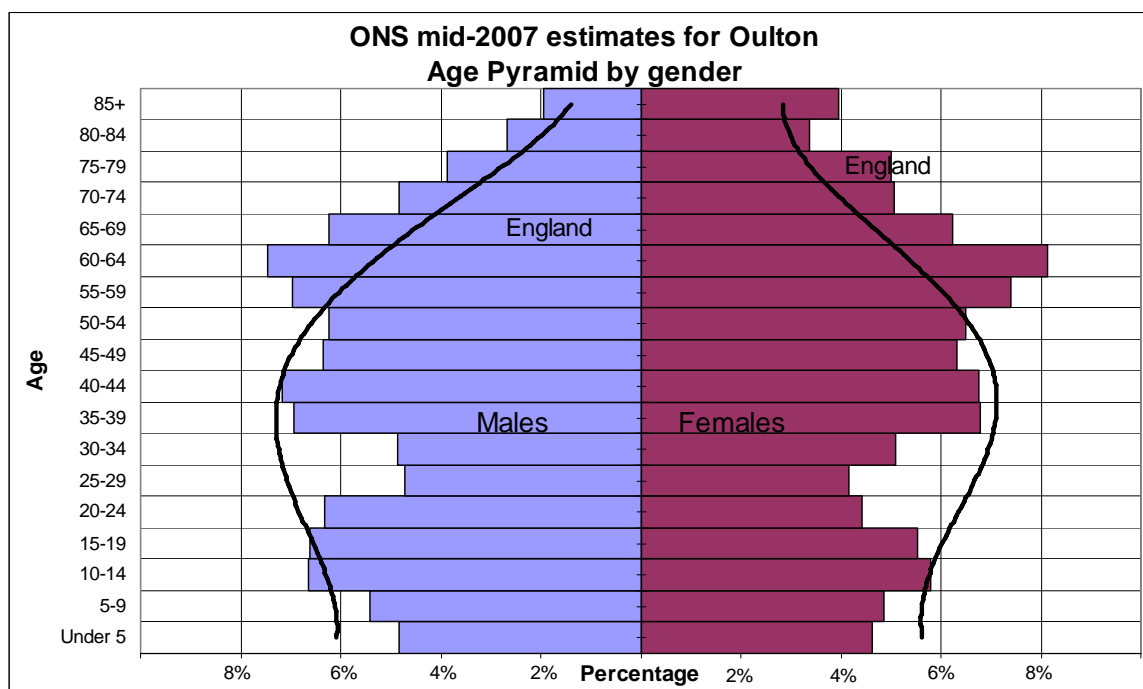
1. Demographic profile

At the time of the 2001 Census 18,560 people lived in Oulton Division. Since then the population has increased by 6.3% reaching 19,742 by mid-2007.

The age structure of the component wards and the Division as a whole as at mid-2007 is set out below.

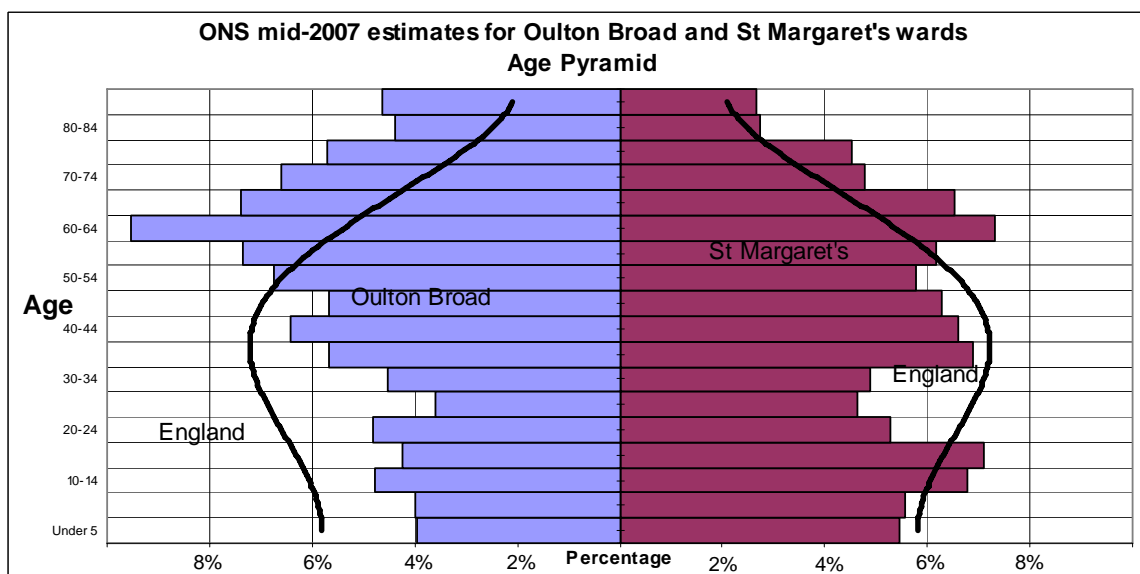
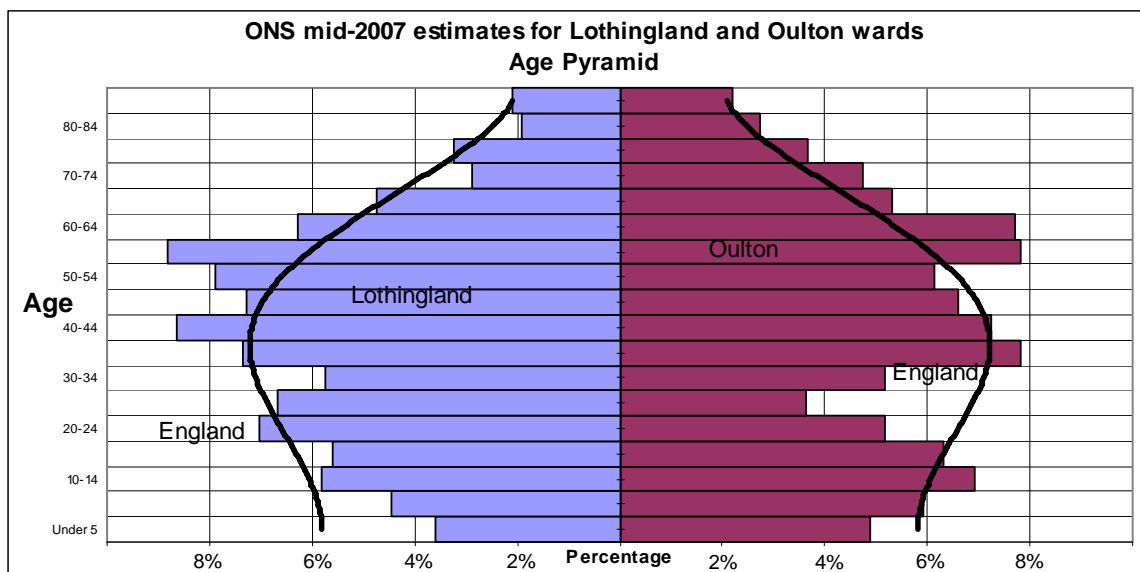
	Component wards				Oulton Electoral Division
	Lothingland ward	Oulton ward	Oulton Broad ward	St Margaret's ward	
All Ages	2,514	4,481	4,722	8,025	19,742
0-4	90	219	187	438	934
5-9	112	265	189	446	1,012
10-14	146	311	225	545	1,227
15-19	141	283	201	571	1,196
20-24	177	231	227	423	1,058
25-29	168	162	170	373	873
30-34	144	232	214	392	982
35-39	185	350	267	553	1,355
40-44	217	324	304	530	1,375
45-49	183	296	267	504	1,250
50-54	198	275	318	465	1,256
55-59	222	351	348	495	1,416
60-64	158	346	450	586	1,540
65-69	119	238	349	523	1,229
70-74	72	212	312	384	980
75-79	81	165	269	363	878
80-84	48	122	207	219	596
85+	53	99	218	215	585

Source: Office for National Statistics (ONS) 2001 & 2007 mid year population estimates.



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The age pyramid for Oulton shows a higher than average proportion of people over the age of 55, whilst there is a much lower than average number of 0-9 and 20-34 year olds.



- The age profiles of Oulton, Lothingland and St Margaret's wards are roughly similar, with proportions of older people that follow the national average and a shortfall in people in their twenties and early thirties.
- Oulton Broad on the other hand has an older age profile. The proportion of people aged 60 or more is substantially higher than nationally, whilst the proportion aged under 50 is much lower than average.

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Ethnicity

- At the time of the 2001 census, Oulton had a population of 18,561 people, of whom 98.31% (18,247) were white, all but 254 of whom were white British.
- There were 314 (1.69%) people of black or minority ethnic origin in the division.

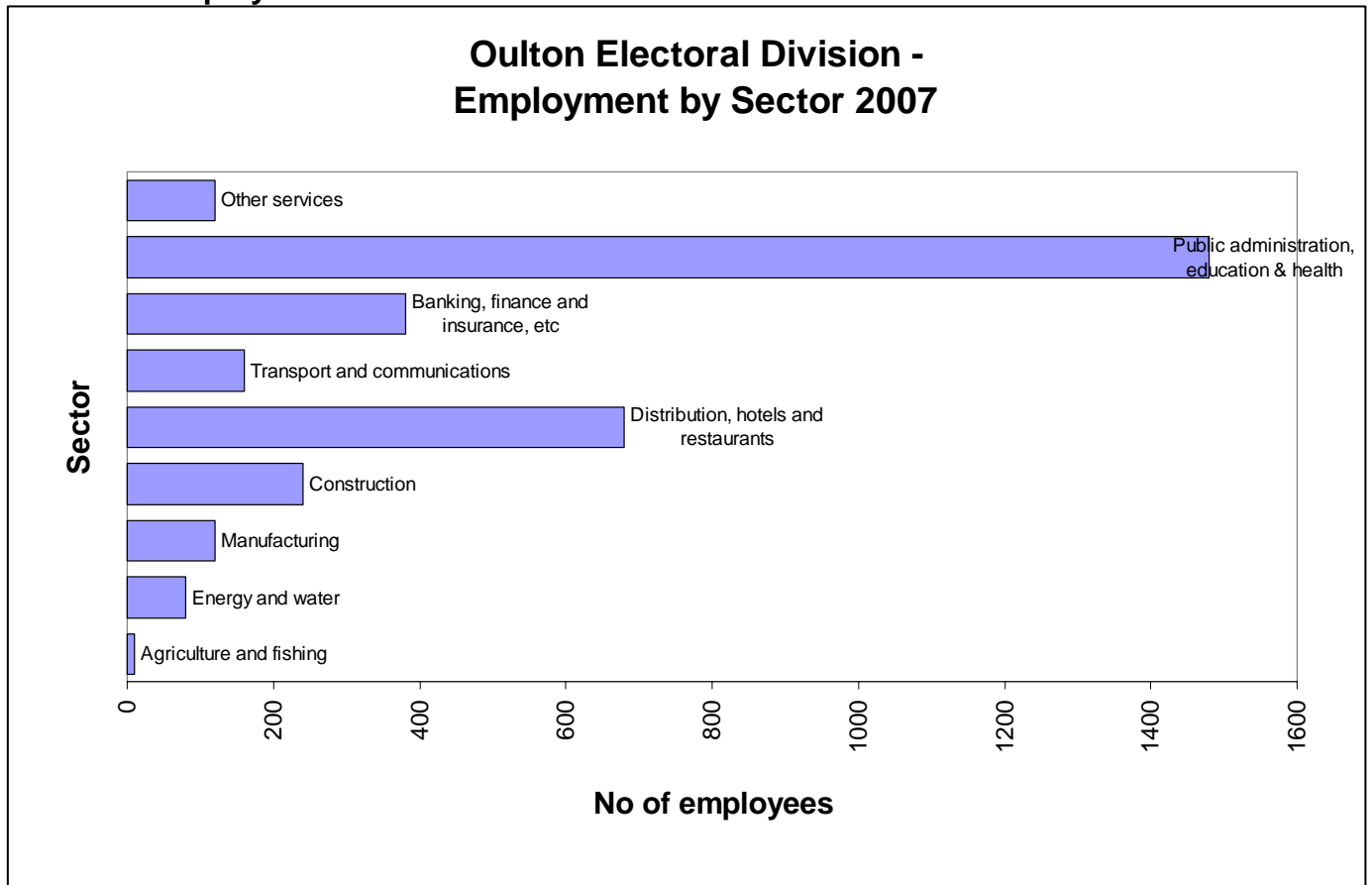
		All people	White	White British	Mixed	Asian and Asian British	Black and Black British	Chinese or Other Ethnic Group	Black or Minority Ethnic Group
SUFFOLK		668,553	97.24	93.75	1.05	0.59	0.64	0.48	2.76
Oulton	No.	18,561	18,247	17,993	113	45	92	64	314
	%		98.31	96.94	0.61	0.24	0.5	0.34	1.69

The latest ethnicity data are the 2007 district estimates; the table relevant to this Division is below.

	All people	Percentage						
		White	White British	Mixed	Asian and Asian British	Black and Black British	Chinese or Other Ethnic Group	Black or Minority Ethnic Group
Waveney	117,300	96.5	94.2	0.9	1.2	0.8	0.7	3.5

2. Economic and labour market data

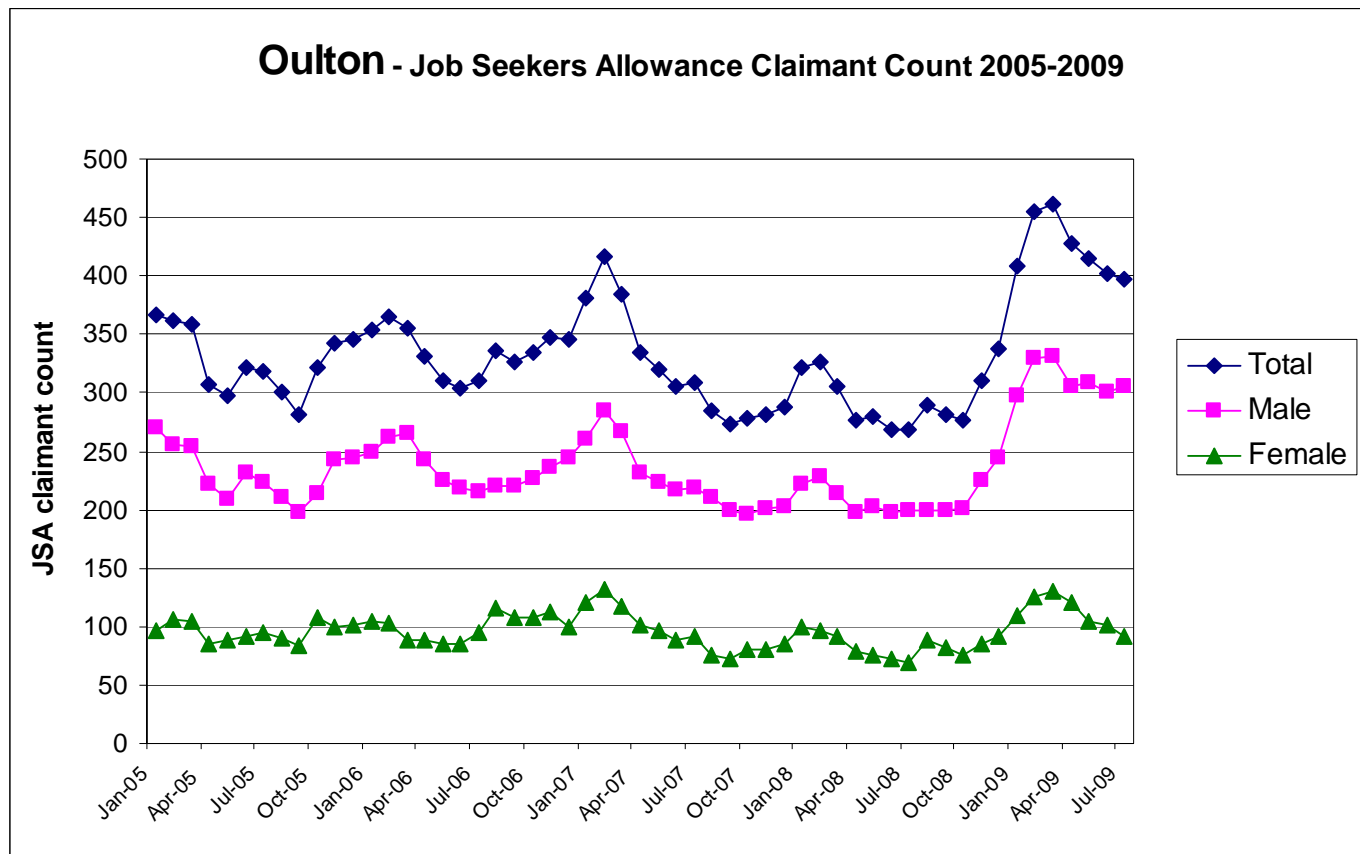
2a Employment



Source: Annual Business Inquiry (2007)

- Employment in Oulton is dominated by the public administration, education and health sector.
- There is also significant employment in the distribution, hotels and restaurants sector which includes retail

2b Unemployment/benefit claimants



- Like much of the county, and indeed the country, Oulton has seen a dramatic rise in Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) claimants in the past year as the global economic downturn continues.
- There has been a small decline in claimants in the division during the last four months, in line with the county trend.
- Males generally account for at least two-thirds of the total JSA claimant count.
- In percentage terms, around 12.4% of the working age population (males aged 16-64 and females aged 16-59) are claiming JSA. This is more than three times the county, regional and national level.

3. Schools (see Map)

There are 4 primary schools, 2 middle schools and 1 high school within the electoral division

Latest Ofsted School Inspection Outcome

Grade 1	Outstanding
Grade 2	Good
Grade 3	Satisfactory
Grade 4	

Blundeston CEVCP School	Grade 2	Mar. 2007
Oulton Broad Primary	Grade 2	Mar. 2007
Somerleyton Primary	Grade 3	Nov. 2008
Woods Loke County Primary	Grade 2	Sep. 2006
Foxborough Middle	Grade 2	Oct. 2008
Lothingland Middle	Grade 3	Feb. 2009
The Benjamin Britten High School	Grade 2	Feb. 2008

Attainment Results 2007-9

Note: small cohort size can lead to fluctuations in results.

Green shading indicates a result significantly better than the county average whereas red shading indicates a result significantly worse than the county average.

Foundation Stage Profile (reception) It is expected that pupils will score 78 points or more at this age	Average cohort size	2006/7	2007/8	2008/9	2008/9 county average
Blundeston CEVCP	24	100	95.2	93.3	74.5
Oulton Broad Primary	50	75.6	91.2	79.2	74.5
Somerleyton Primary	7	100	100	80	74.5
Woods Loke County Primary	61	93.8	90.5	74.6	74.5

Key Stage 2 (age 11) L4 or above is the expected score	Average cohort size	2006/7	2007/8	2008/9	2008/9 county average
Foxborough Middle	111				
English L4+		75	79	75	77.6
Maths L4 +		72	72	82	74.9
Lothingland Middle	112				
English L4+		87	87	85	77.6
Maths L4 +		80	80	78	74.9

KS4 (age 16) % pupils achieving 5 A*-C in. English and Maths	Average cohort size	2006/7	2007/8	2008/9*	2008/9 * county average
The Benjamin Britten High School	234	32	34	37.8	49.6

*** 2009 results are provisional and will not be confirmed until late 2009.**

4. Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2007 (see map)

Source: The IMD combines a number of indicators, chosen to cover a range of economic, social and housing issues, into a single deprivation score for each small area in England. This allows each area to be ranked relative to one another according to their level of deprivation. Small areas (LSOAs) are most usually described as being in 1 of 5 quintile bands. The bottom quintile represents the 20% of areas that are the most deprived in the country; these are shaded red on the map. The top quintile represents the least deprived areas in the country, and is shaded green.

The Index is used widely to analyse patterns of deprivation, identify areas that would benefit from special initiatives or programmes and as a tool to determine eligibility for specific funding streams.

The IMD 2007 shows that:

Deprivation levels in Oulton are generally above the national average.

- Of the thirteen Lower Layer Super Output Areas (LSOA) comprising the Electoral Division, two are ranked in the 20% most deprived LSOAs in the country, two are in the next worst quintile and six are in the mid quintile. Three are in the second quintile of least deprived LSOAs.

Rankings in England - no. of LSOAs per quintile

	Suffolk	%	Electoral Division	%
Worst 20%	30	7.0%	2	15.4%
Next worst 20%	57	13.4%	2	15.4%
Mid 20%	92	21.6%	6	46.2%
Next best 20%	152	35.7%	3	23.1%
Least deprived 20%	95	22.3%	0	
Total	426		13	

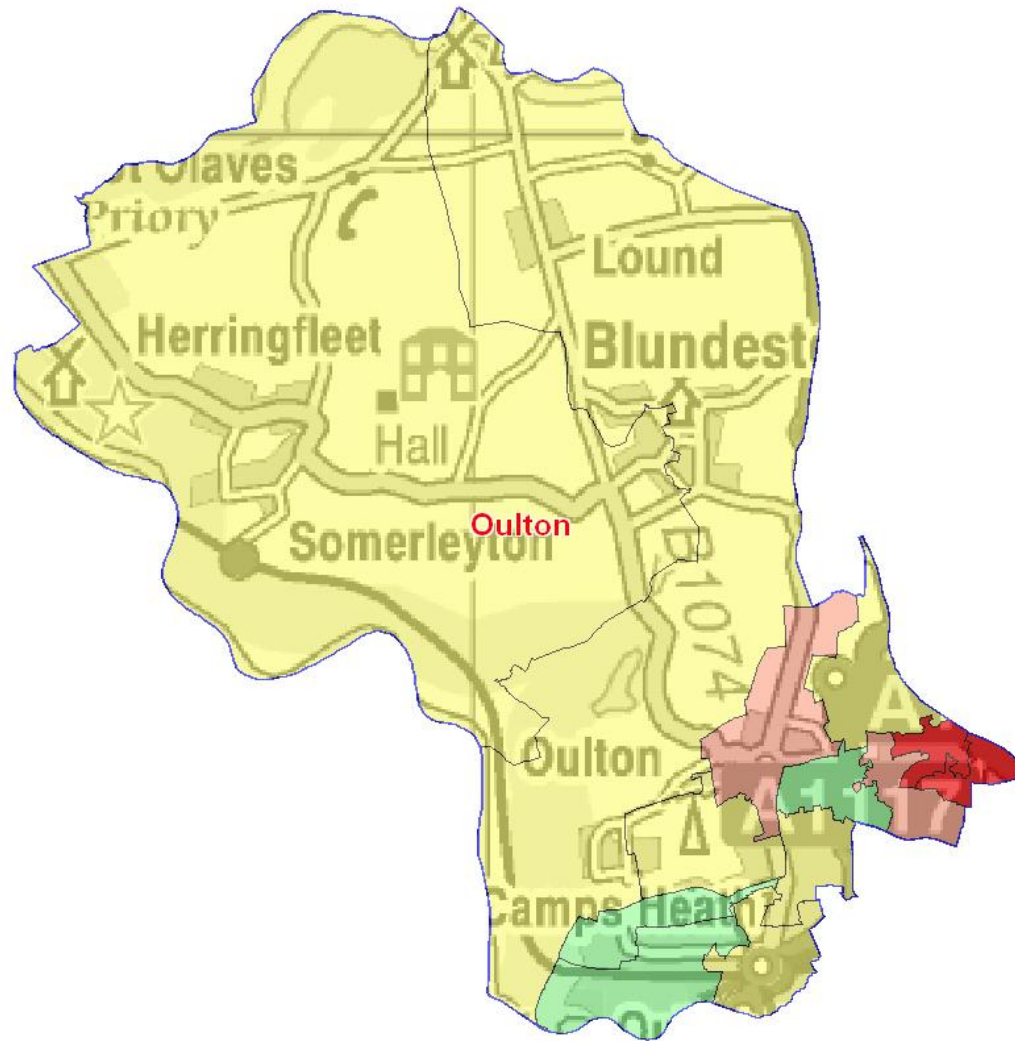


LEGEND

- Primary Schools
- ▲ Middle Schools
- Secondary Schools

- Ward
- Parish
- Electoral Division

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National Rank

- Best 20% (95)
- Next Best 20% (152)
- Next worst 20% (92)
- Next worst 20% (57)
- Worst 20% (30)



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