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# 1. Projected Population Growth

## Projected Population Growth by Country

(Millions)	2014	2019	2024	2029	2034	2039
England	54.3	56.7	59.1	61.3	62.9	65.2
Wales	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4
Scotland	5.3	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.9	6.0
N. Ireland	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2
United Kingdom	64.6	67.8	69.9	72.4	74.7	76.8

Source: ONS, 2014-based National Population Projections, 'high' net migration variant

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/populationprojections/bulletins/nationalpopulationprojections/2015-10-29>

The 'high' net migration variant projection has a long term assumption that net migration will be 265,000 a year. Under this scenario the UK population is expected to reach 70 million by 2025.

## 2. Population Density

England, not the UK, is the second most crowded country in the European Union, excluding the island state of Malta. England is the ninth most crowded country in the world when city and island states are excluded.

	Area sq/km	Population	Pop'n Density per sq/km
Bangladesh	130,170	159,078,000	1,222
Taiwan	36,193	23,434,000	647
South Korea	97,466	50,420,000	517
Netherlands	33,670	16,854,000	501
Rwanda	24,670	11,342,000	460
Lebanon	10,230	4,547,000	444
India	2,973,190	1,295,292,000	436
Burundi	25,680	10,817,000	421
England	130,279	54,317,000	417
Haiti	27,560	10,572,000	384
Israel	21,640	8,215,000	380
Belgium	30,280	11,225,000	371
Japan	364,560	127,131,800	349
Philippines	298,170	99,139,000	332
China	9,388,211	1,364,270,000	145
UK	242,509	64,510,000	266
Germany	348,540	80,890,000	232
France	547,557	66,207,000	121
Spain	500,210	46,405,000	93

The population density of England is projected to be 484 persons per square kilometre in 2039, when the population will reach 63.3 million.

Source: The table above is based on data for 2014. All data except Taiwan and UK from World Bank. Taiwan based on data from MOI Statistical Information Service. and <http://countryeconomy.com/demography/population/taiwan>, accessed January 7, 2016. Population figures for England and UK data based on ONS statistical bulletin on 'Population Projections of the UK', October 2015, URL: [http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/dcp171778\\_420462.pdf](http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/dcp171778_420462.pdf) and land area based on ONS, 'Key Statistics and Profiles', URL: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/publications/re-reference-tables.html?edition=tcM%3A77-325257>

### 3. Births to foreign parents

In 2014 over a quarter (27%) of all births in England and Wales were to mothers born outside the United Kingdom.

In London in 2014, the figure was 58.1%. In the London Boroughs of Newham, Brent, Ealing, Westminster and Kensington and Chelsea over 70% of births are to mothers born outside the UK.

A Parliamentary answer revealed that two thirds of all births in London were to couples where one or both were born outside the UK.

Source: ONS, Births in England and Wales in 2014 by parents' country of birth, August 2015, URL: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/vsob1/parents--country-of-birth--england-and-wales/2014/rft-pcb-14.xls>

Nicholas Soames, HC Deb, 17 October 2014, cW  
URL: <http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Commons/2014-10-15/210759/>

### 4. Foreign born population of the UK

UK Population born overseas:

1991	5.8%
2014	13% or 8.3 million people

Source: ONS, Estimated Population by Country of Birth and Nationality January 2014 to December 2014 (1.14 Mb Excel sheet), Table 1.1, URL: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/migration1/population-by-country-of-birth-and-nationality/2014/rft-table-5-pop-by-cob-jan-14-to-dec-14.xls>

### 5. Latest Immigration Statistics for the Year Ending June 2015

	Total	British	EU	A8	Non-EU
Inflow	636,000	85,000	265,000	73,000	286,000
Outflow	300,000	130,000	85,000	29,000	85,000
Net	336,000	-45,000	180,000	44,000	201,000

In the year ending June 2015 net migration from the EU was 180,000, or 47.2% of the total non-British net migration (381,000).

1997 – 2014 Total Net Migration	3.7 million
Comprising Non-British Net Migration	4.60 million
And British Net Migration	-1.22 million

Source: ONS Long Term International Migration, Year ending June 2015, URL: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/migration1/migration-statistics-quarterly-report/november-2015/rft-table-1.xls>

ONS Long Term International Migration, UK 1991-2014. Table 2.01a LTIM Citizenship 1991-2014, URL: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/migration1/long-term-international-migration/2014/table-2-01a.xls>

## 6. Jobs

Since 2000, employment of non-UK born workers aged 16 and over has increased by 2.8 million to over 5 million. Yet in this same period, employment of UK born workers has increased by just 771,000.

There are currently 2.1 million EU born workers in Britain, 982,000 of whom come from the A8 countries of East Europe. The number of British workers in the EU was estimated in 2011 to be 407,000.

Only 41.5% of the 5 million non-UK born workers were born in the EU, most are originally from outside the EU.

Source: ONS, Employment Levels by country of birth and nationality, Updated Nov 2015 URL: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/rel/lms/labour-market-statistics/december-2015/table-emp06.xls>, Migration Watch UK, The British in Europe, URL: <http://www.migrationwatchuk.org/briefing-paper/4.21>,

## 7. Housing

Between 2000 and 2014 an additional 2.3 million households were formed in the UK. 1.5 million (66%) of these had a foreign born Household Reference Person.

Source: ONS, Change in the number of households by country of birth of the Household Reference Person, 29 June 2015, <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/about-ons/business-transparency/freedom-of-information/what-can-i-request/published-ad-hoc-data/pop/june-2015/index.html>

Government household projections show that England will need to build enough housing to accommodate an additional 237,000 households per year or a total of 5.9 million homes between 2012 and 2037. 2.3 million or 40% of this projected household requirement would be as a result of future immigration.

That means that the additional housing demand caused by immigration can only be satisfied by building over 260 extra homes every day, or one every six minutes for the 25 year period.

Source: DCLG, 'high' (225K) and 'zero' net migration Household Projections, 2012-2037, England, URL: [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/481704/2012-based\\_household\\_projections\\_England\\_2012\\_to\\_2037\\_Stage\\_2\\_household\\_types\\_and\\_national\\_variants.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/481704/2012-based_household_projections_England_2012_to_2037_Stage_2_household_types_and_national_variants.pdf)

## 8. Education

According to estimates by the Department of Education from July 2014, the number of pupils in state funded primary schools in England is expected to increase to 4.7 million by 2023, a rise of almost ten per cent. Rising pupil numbers are already creating significant shortages of school places in parts of the country.

Figures for January 2015 showed that almost one in five children in state-funded primary schools did not speak English as a first language and 15 per cent of state-funded secondary school pupils did not speak English as a first language.

The Department of Education also calculated in June 2015 that 56 per cent of primary school pupils in Inner London speak a first language other than English, while in outer London, the figure was 45 per cent.

Sources: Department of Education, National Pupil Projections, April 2015, URL: [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/330261/SFR23\\_2014\\_Main\\_Text.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/330261/SFR23_2014_Main_Text.pdf)

Department for Education, Schools, pupils and their characteristics, January 2015, Table 5a Number and Percentage of Pupils by First Language, URL: [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/433685/SFR16\\_2015\\_national\\_tables.xlsx](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/433685/SFR16_2015_national_tables.xlsx)

Department of Education, Percentage of pupils by first language, borough, June 2015, URL: <http://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/percentage-pupils-first-language-borough/resource/9cb56095-608e-478f-bd74-66bf00fe1408>

## 9. Public Opinion

(For a full analysis see: <http://www.migrationwatchuk.org/briefingPaper/document/249>)

Six out of ten people put immigration and asylum in the top three troubles facing the country, according to a Times/YouGov poll reported in January 2016. URL: <http://www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/news/politics/article4653828.ece>

60% of first and second generation immigrants said they feel that migration to the UK should be reduced, NatCen Social Research's British Social Attitudes survey 2013. URL: <http://www.natcen.ac.uk/media/205569/immigration-bsa31.pdf>

75% thought the level of immigration into Britain in the last ten years had been too high, YouGov poll from February 2015. URL: <https://yougov.co.uk/news/2015/03/02/why-we-like-migrants-not-immigration/>

95% of Britons believed new immigrants should speak English, a NatCen social research survey found in June 2015. URL: <http://www.channel4.com/news/immigration-social-attitudes-natcen-ukip-survey>

77% want to see a reduction of immigration into Britain, British Social Attitudes Survey Jan 2014.

78% support the government's aim to reduce net migration to the tens of thousands, including 70% of those who voted Liberal Democrat in the 2010 General Election, YouGov for The Sunday Times, January 2012

68% believe that immigration has a negative effect on Britain, YouGov for The Sunday Times, January 2012

66% believe that immigration has had a negative impact on the availability of jobs, Ipsos Mori for British Future, January 2012.

86% support changing the rules on benefits so that benefits are only available to people who have been resident in Britain for a fixed amount of time, such as a year, Sunday Times YouGov Poll, March 2013.

75% support changing NHS rules so non-emergency treatment is only available to people who have been resident in Britain for a fixed period, such as a year, Sunday Times YouGov Poll, March 2013.

88% believe that immigrants who are unable to speak English or unwilling to integrate have created 'discomfort and disjointedness' in British communities, YouGov for The Sunday Times, April 2011.

72% disagreed that an amnesty should be granted to illegal immigrants in Britain, YouGov for Migration Watch UK, June 2006. 12% believe that immigration had changed their local community for the better, 88% disagreed. Searchlight Educational Trust, February 2011, URL: <http://www.fearandhope.org.uk/project-report/themes>

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