



2011 Census ward profile: Dunstable Watling

Total population: 9,450

Households: 3,810

Dwellings: 3,890

Population density: 40.9 people per hectare

Area: 230 hectares

Age group, all people

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
0-4	440	4.6	6.3	6.3
5-15	1,230	13.0	13.3	12.6
16-17	300	3.1	2.6	2.5
18-64	5,780	61.1	62.1	62.3
65-84	1,580	16.7	13.8	14.1
85+	140	1.4	1.8	2.3
Total	9,450	100	100	100

Marital status, people aged 16+

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
Single	2,270	29.1	29.2	34.6
Married	4,260	54.7	52.5	46.6
Civil partnership	10	0.1	0.1	0.2
Separated / Divorced	800	10.3	11.9	11.7
Widowed	450	5.8	6.3	6.9
Total	7,790	100	100	100

Gender, all people

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
Male	4,640	49.1	49.5	49.2
Female	4,810	50.9	50.5	50.8
Total	9,450	100	100	100

Religion, all people

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
Christian	6,310	66.8	62.2	59.4
Other religion	330	3.5	2.6	8.7
No religion	2,220	23.4	28.4	24.7
Not stated	590	6.3	6.8	7.2
Total	9,450	100	100	100

Ethnic origin, all people

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
White British	8,400	88.9	89.7	79.8
White Other	380	4.0	4.2	5.7
Mixed	160	1.7	1.9	2.2
Asian	310	3.3	2.6	7.7
Black	170	1.8	1.4	3.4
Other	30	0.3	0.3	1.0
Total	9,450	100	100	100

General health, all people

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
Very good health	4,640	49.1	49.1	47.2
Good health	3,500	37.0	35.5	34.2
Fairly good health	1,020	10.8	11.5	13.1
Bad health	220	2.3	3.0	4.2
Very bad health	70	0.8	0.8	1.2
Total	9,450	100	100	100

Country of birth, all people

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
UK	8,670	91.7	92.1	86.2
Ireland	90	0.9	1.0	0.8
EU (pre 2004)	90	1.0	1.4	1.7
EU (acc.)	140	1.5	1.1	2.1
Other	460	4.9	4.4	9.3
Total	9,450	100	100	100

Housing tenure, all households

	No.	%	CBC Eng	
			%	%
Owned	3,130	82.3	73.3	64.2
Socially rented	240	6.3	13.4	17.7
Private rented	430	11.3	13.2	18.1
Total	3,810	100	100	100

EU (acc.) = accession states, joining EU from 2004

'Owned' includes shared ownership; 'Private rented' includes living rent free.

Dwelling type, all household spaces

	No.	CBC Eng		
		%	%	%
Detached	1,080	27.7	28.2	22.3
Semi-det	1,530	39.3	33.8	30.7
Terraced	670	17.2	25.3	24.5
Flat etc	620	15.8	11.7	22.1
Caravan etc	0	0.0	1.0	0.4
Total	3,890	100	100	100

Economic activity, all people 16-74

	No.	CBC Eng		
		%	%	%
Econ active	5,220	73.2	74.7	69.9
Employee - PT	1,060	14.9	14.0	13.7
Employee - FT	2,910	40.8	43.6	38.6
Self employed	760	10.7	11.0	9.8
Unemployed	250	3.5	3.5	4.4
FT student	240	3.3	2.8	3.4
Econ inactive	1,920	26.8	25.3	30.1
Retired	1,200	16.8	13.5	13.7
Student	270	3.7	4.2	5.8
Look / home	220	3.1	3.9	4.4
Sick / disabled	130	1.8	2.4	4.0
Other	110	1.5	1.3	2.2
Total	7,140	100	100	100

Econ = Economically; PT = Part time; FT = Full time; Look/home = Looking after home

Top three industries of employment

	No.	%
1. Wholesale & retail	850	17.3
2. Education	620	12.7
3. Construction	520	10.5
Total 16-74 in employ	4,910	100

Shows industries for residents, not workers.

Qualifications, all people 16+

	No.	CBC Eng		
		%	%	%
No quals	1,340	17.2	19.4	22.5
Level 1 or 2	2,540	32.7	31.9	28.5
Apprenticeship	480	6.2	4.7	3.6
Level 3	1,030	13.3	12.6	12.4
Level 4+	2,040	26.2	27.3	27.4
Total	7,790	100	100	100

Level 1/2 = GCSE, level 3 = A level, level 4+ = degree. Total includes 'other' qualifications.

Household composition, all households

	No.	CBC Eng		
		%	%	%
1 person - pensioner	420	11.1	11.2	12.4
1 person - other	470	12.4	14.7	17.9
Couple - no children	700	18.4	20.5	17.6
Couple + dep children	850	22.2	23.1	19.3
Couple + non dep ch	350	9.3	7.3	6.1
LP + dep children	250	6.4	6.5	7.1
LP + non dep children	130	3.4	3.1	3.5
All aged 65 and over	450	11.9	8.7	8.4
All other households	190	4.9	4.9	7.7
Total	3,810	100	100	100

LP = lone parent; dep = dependent; ch = children; couple includes married and cohabiting

Amenities and cars, all households

	No.	CBC Eng		
		%	%	%
Overcrowded*	180	4.8	4.6	8.7
No central heating	90	2.4	1.7	2.7
No car or van	450	11.7	13.2	25.8
2 or more cars or vans	1,890	49.6	46.7	32.0
Total number of cars	5,990	-	-	-
Total households	3,810	100	100	100

* Occupancy rating of -1 (one room too few). Takes account of no. of rooms, and people by relationship, age and gender.

Socio-economic classification, all people 16-74

	No.	CBC Eng		
		%	%	%
Managerial / professional	2,490	34.9	35.9	31.3
Intermediate	1,240	17.4	14.8	12.8
Small employers	760	10.6	10.5	9.4
Lower supervisor/technical	490	6.8	7.2	6.9
Routine & semi-routine	1,450	20.3	21.8	25.0
Never worked	220	3.0	3.1	5.6
Not classified	500	6.9	6.8	9.0
Total	7,140	100	100	100

Method of travel to work, all people 16-74 in employ

	No.	CBC Eng		
		%	%	%
Work at home	260	5.3	6.0	5.4
Car	3,810	77.5	74.3	62.0
Train	120	2.3	6.4	5.3
Foot	420	8.5	8.1	10.7
Other	310	6.4	5.1	16.5
Total	4,910	100	100	100

Method of longest part, by distance, of journey to work.

Source: Office for National Statistics

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Please note i) Percentages are calculated to one decimal place, ii) Numbers are rounded to the nearest 10

iii) Totals may not sum exactly due to rounding

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