

ETHNICITY AND RELIGION

Summary

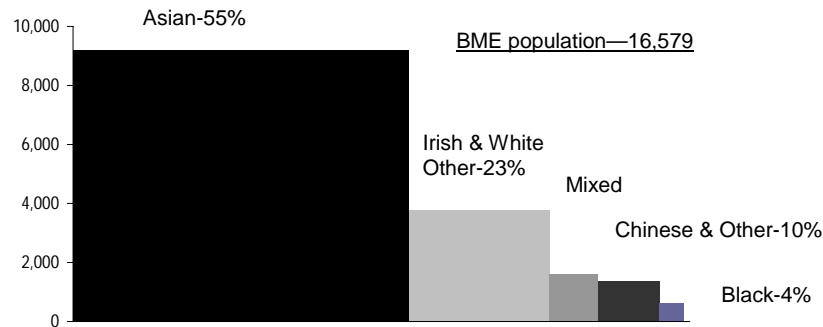
- The BME population of Charnwood is 16,573 or 10.8% of the population
- The largest ethnic groups are Indian (7,203 people), Other White (2,639 people) and Bangladeshi (1,249 people)
- 69.55% of the population are Christian. The largest non-Christian religious group is Hindu (3.98% of the population)

The 2001 Census provides the most comprehensive information on ethnic groups in Leicestershire. The table below outlines the results using the full 16-group classification. It shows that Indian and Other White are the largest Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) communities in Charnwood. The overall BME population (all people other than White British) is 16,573 or 10.8%. This compares to the Leicestershire County proportion of 7.3% and the East Midlands of 8.7%.

Table 4: Ethnic groups in Charnwood

All people	White			Mixed				Asian or Asian British				Black or Black British			Chinese or other ethnic group	
	British	Irish	Other White	White and Black Caribbean	White and Black African	White and Asian	Other Mixed	Indian	Pakistani	Bangladeshi	Other Asian	Black Caribbean	Black African	Other Black	Chinese	Other Ethnic Group
153,462	136,883	1,152	2,639	409	96	561	308	7,209	172	1,249	577	232	341	42	1,071	521
	89.20%	0.75%	1.72%	0.27%	0.06%	0.37%	0.20%	4.70%	0.11%	0.81%	0.38%	0.15%	0.22%	0.03%	0.70%	0.34%

Graph 6: BME population



The chart to the left illustrates each BME group in proportion to the overall BME population. The largest group is Asian: 55% of the BME population.

Table 5: Religion in Charnwood

All people	Christian	Buddhist	Hindu	Jewish	Muslim	Sikh	Other	No religion or religion not stated
153,462	106,732	350	6,105	152	2,410	805	422	36,486
	69.55%	0.23%	3.98%	0.10%	1.57%	0.52%	0.27%	23.78%

Religion

For the first time in 150 years, a (voluntary) question was asked in the 2001 census about religion. In Charnwood, 59,700 people identified themselves as Christian. The largest non-Christian group is Hindu (3.98%) although a large minority (over 23.78%) stated that they had no religion, or did not state their religion.

Ethnicity by ward

By presenting the ethnicity data by ward, it is possible to identify small groups of BME populations. Loughborough Hastings and Thurmaston wards have the highest BME populations in the Borough (29.7% and 20.6% respectively). The largest BME communities are the Indian communities in Thurmaston (1,437 people), Syston West (773 people) and Loughborough Lemyngton (725 people) wards, and the Bangladeshi communities in Loughborough Hastings (648 people) and Loughborough Lemyngton (470 people) wards.

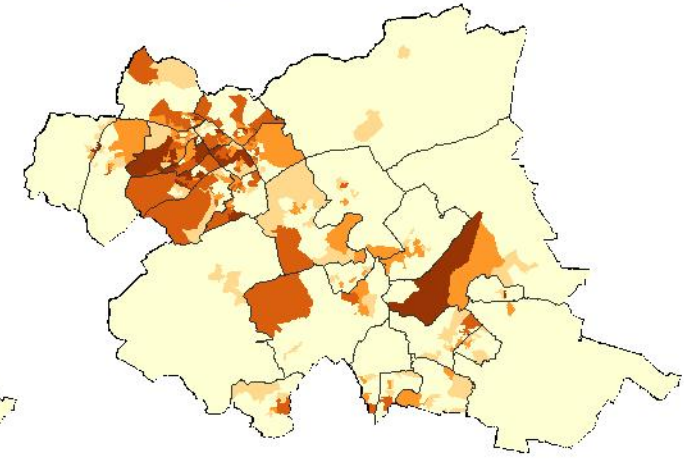
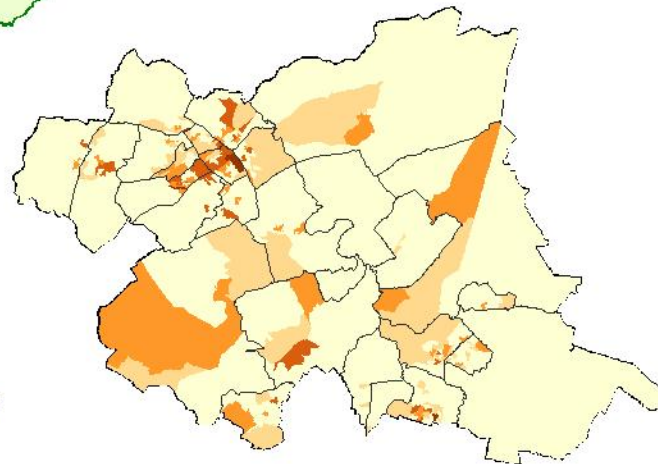
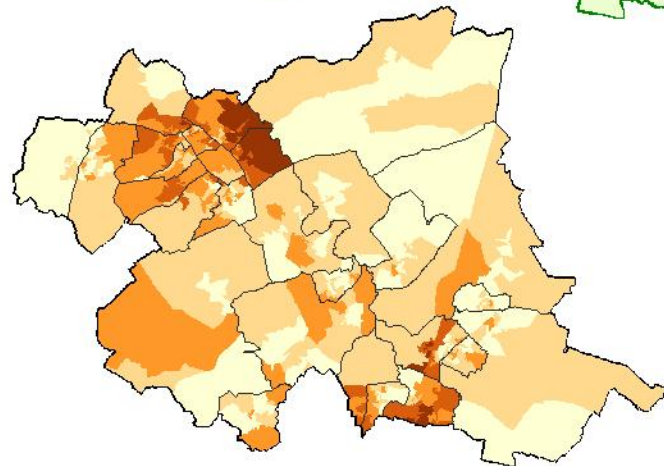
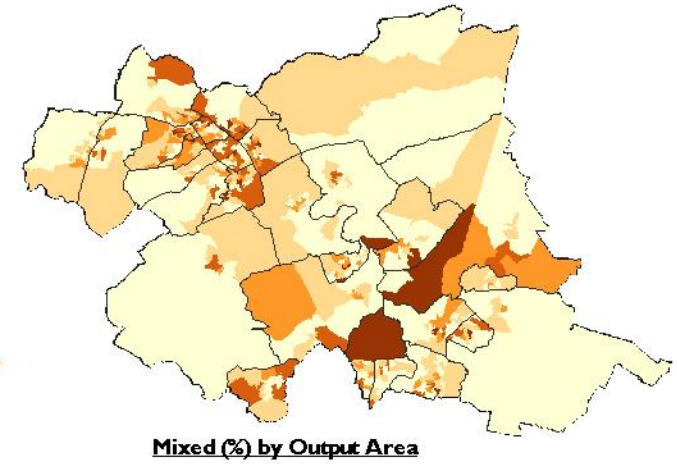
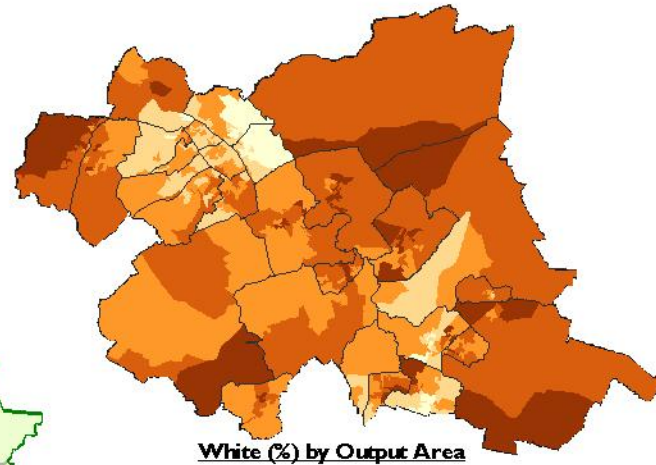
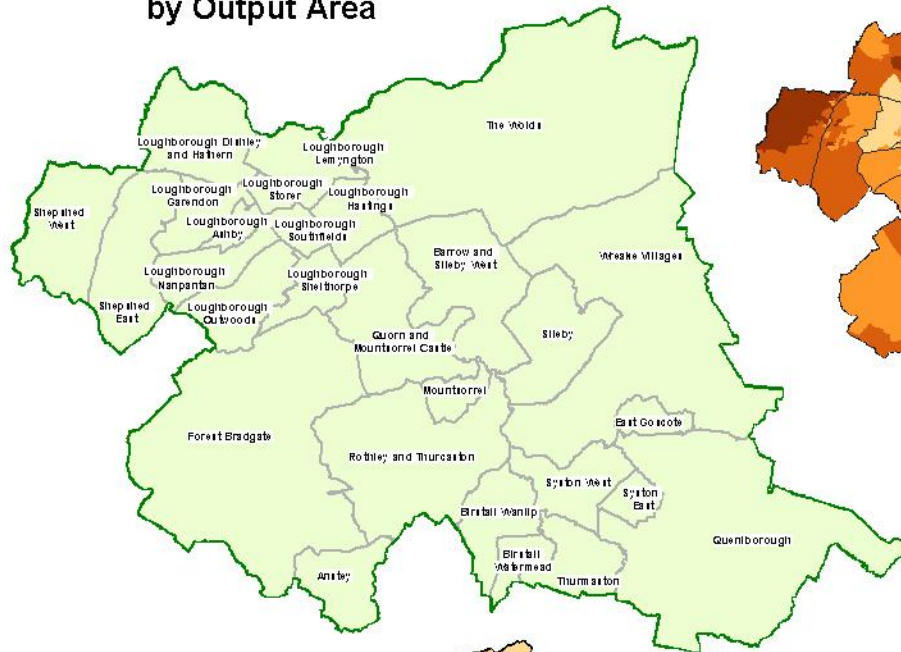
Table 6: Ethnicity by ward

Ward	All people	White					Mixed				Asian				Black			Chinese or Other															
		British	Irish	Other White	White and Black Caribbean	White and Black African	White and Asian	Other Mixed	Indian	Pakistani	Bangladeshi	Other Asian	Black Caribbean	Black African	Other Black	Chinese	Other Ethnic Group																
Anstey	5816	5599	96.27	34	0.58	42	0.72	16	0.28	0	0	21	0.36	7	0.12	58	1	0	0	0	5	0.09	9	0.15	3	0.05	0	0	17	0.29	5	0.09	
Barrow and Sileby West	5624	5464	97.16	41	0.73	48	0.85	8	0.14	3	0.05	13	0.23	5	0.09	19	0.34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0.25	9	0.16	
Birstall Yvanlip	5129	4421	86.2	31	0.6	42	0.82	10	0.19	3	0.06	25	0.49	14	0.27	514	10.02	3	0.06	0	0	27	0.53	8	0.16	5	0.1	3	0.06	13	0.25	10	0.19
Birstall Yvatemead	6513	5996	92.06	53	0.81	71	1.09	20	0.31	0	0	16	0.25	13	0.2	293	4.5	3	0.05	8	0.12	12	0.18	5	0.08	3	0.05	0	0	12	0.18	8	0.12
East Goscote	2810	2701	96.12	9	0.32	33	1.17	6	0.21	0	0	7	0.25	4	0.14	33	1.17	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.11	3	0.11	0	0	11	0.39	0	0
Forest Bradgate	3044	2904	95.4	21	0.69	53	1.74	3	0.1	0	0	10	0.33	3	0.1	36	1.18	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.16	0	0	3	0.1	6	0.2	0	0
Loughborough Ashby	6904	6075	87.99	54	0.78	183	2.65	32	0.46	9	0.13	31	0.45	25	0.36	172	2.49	15	0.22	13	0.19	31	0.45	8	0.12	54	0.78	5	0.07	146	2.11	51	0.74
Loughborough Dishley and Hathern	5717	4786	83.72	34	0.59	143	2.5	22	0.38	8	0.14	16	0.28	16	0.28	489	8.55	0	0	23	0.4	64	1.12	11	0.19	6	0.1	0	0	46	0.8	53	0.93
Loughborough Garendon	6070	5142	84.71	41	0.68	122	2.01	18	0.3	7	0.12	35	0.58	15	0.25	475	7.83	7	0.12	18	0.3	46	0.76	3	0.05	11	0.18	0	0	79	1.3	51	0.84
Loughborough Hastings	5472	3848	70.32	45	0.82	144	2.63	15	0.27	12	0.22	36	0.66	27	0.49	514	9.39	16	0.29	648	11.84	67	1.22	9	0.16	16	0.29	3	0.05	30	0.55	42	0.77
Loughborough Lemyngton	5330	3675	68.95	45	0.84	157	2.95	17	0.32	0	0	37	0.69	21	0.39	725	13.6	6	0.11	470	8.82	44	0.83	6	0.11	34	0.64	3	0.06	38	0.71	52	0.98
Loughborough Nanpantan	5402	4441	82.21	63	1.17	184	3.41	11	0.2	3	0.06	32	0.59	9	0.17	307	5.68	21	0.39	10	0.19	65	1.2	18	0.33	50	0.93	0	0	134	2.48	54	1
Loughborough Outwoods	5556	4971	89.47	37	0.67	176	3.17	3	0.05	4	0.07	17	0.31	10	0.18	200	3.6	6	0.11	9	0.16	19	0.34	3	0.05	13	0.23	6	0.11	52	0.94	30	0.54
Loughborough Shelthorpe	6321	5744	90.87	51	0.81	130	2.06	32	0.51	6	0.09	15	0.24	23	0.36	168	2.66	4	0.06	17	0.27	17	0.27	10	0.16	8	0.13	3	0.05	78	1.23	15	0.24
Loughborough Southfields	5275	4497	85.25	67	1.27	232	4.4	20	0.38	8	0.15	36	0.68	18	0.34	157	2.98	10	0.19	11	0.21	11	0.21	19	0.36	45	0.85	0	0	104	1.97	40	0.76
Loughborough Storer	5572	4822	86.54	54	0.97	148	2.66	17	0.31	4	0.07	22	0.39	17	0.31	286	5.13	15	0.27	3	0.05	42	0.75	14	0.25	25	0.45	4	0.07	67	1.2	32	0.57
Mountsorrel	6662	6389	95.9	39	0.59	76	1.14	13	0.2	0	0	25	0.38	12	0.18	81	1.22	4	0.06	0	0	6	0.09	3	0.05	0	0	0	0	8	0.12	6	0.09
Queniborough	2926	2831	96.75	15	0.51	21	0.72	7	0.24	3	0.1	4	0.14	0	0	31	1.06	4	0.14	0	0	0	0	3	0.1	0	0	0	0	7	0.24	0	0
Quom and Mountsorrel Castle	5991	5696	95.08	44	0.73	71	1.19	9	0.15	0	0	10	0.17	12	0.2	71	1.19	17	0.28	6	0.1	7	0.12	0	0	6	0.1	0	0	29	0.48	13	0.22
Rothley and Thurcaston	5910	5592	94.62	54	0.91	69	1.17	16	0.27	0	0	10	0.17	4	0.07	109	1.84	3	0.05	0	0	4	0.07	6	0.1	12	0.2	3	0.05	24	0.41	4	0.07
Shepshed East	6417	6159	95.98	27	0.42	69	1.08	6	0.09	3	0.05	22	0.34	4	0.06	62	0.97	6	0.09	3	0.05	5	0.08	11	0.17	13	0.2	0	0	16	0.25	11	0.17
Shepshed West	6467	6296	97.36	18	0.28	55	0.85	16	0.25	3	0.05	18	0.28	3	0.05	17	0.26	3	0.05	0	0	0	0	4	0.06	7	0.11	0	0	20	0.31	7	0.11
Sileby	6330	6109	96.51	39	0.62	63	1	11	0.17	3	0.05	18	0.28	8	0.13	44	0.7	3	0.05	0	0	9	0.14	0	0	3	0.05	0	0	17	0.27	3	0.05
Syston East	5814	5522	94.98	67	1.15	53	0.91	21	0.36	9	0.15	6	0.1	4	0.07	95	1.63	3	0.05	0	0	3	0.05	8	0.14	4	0.07	0	0	16	0.28	3	0.05
Syston West	5796	4751	81.97	47	0.81	68	1.17	18	0.31	3	0.05	16	0.28	15	0.26	773	13.34	10	0.17	0	0	30	0.52	18	0.31	5	0.09	3	0.05	32	0.55	7	0.12
The Yolds	2803	2713	96.79	14	0.5	39	1.39	4	0.14	0	0	3	0.11	0	0	10	0.36	0	0	4	0.14	0	0	3	0.11	4	0.14	0	0	6	0.21	3	0.11
Thurmaston	8944	7103	79.42	67	0.75	93	1.04	32	0.36	0	0	46	0.51	14	0.16	1437	16.07	11	0.12	3	0.03	61	0.68	42	0.47	10	0.11	0	0	15	0.17	10	0.11
Wreake Villages	2832	2636	93.08	41	1.45	54	1.91	6	0.21	3	0.11	14	0.49	4	0.14	33	1.17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.14	0	0	34	1.2	3	0.11

Ethnicity by output area

The maps on the next page show the BME population by Output Area - the lowest geography that data is available from the census. Output areas consist of around 100 - 125 households, and so in urban areas, small areas can be identified.

Map 2: Ethnic groups by Output Area



Asian or Asian British (%) by Output Area

- 23.3% to 75.5%
- 8.6% to 23.3%
- 2.9% to 8.6%
- 0.4% to 2.9%
- 0% to 0.4%

Black or Black British (%) by Output Area

- 2.6% to 6.9%
- 1.5% to 2.6%
- 1% to 1.5%
- 0.4% to 1%
- 0% to 0.4%

Chinese and Other (%) by Output Area

- 4.1% to 10.8%
- 2% to 4.1%
- 1.2% to 2%
- 0.5% to 1.2%
- 0% to 0.5%

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Table 7: Ethnicity and the labour market

	Number 16 to 74 employed	% of 16 to 74 employed	Number 16 to 74 unemployed	% of 16 to 74 unemployed
Other Black	16	64%	0	0%
British	63,021	62%	2,515	2%
All people	69,451	61%	2,957	3%
Indian	3,252	61%	195	4%
Black Caribbean	123	59%	5	2%
Other White	1,153	54%	54	3%
Irish	514	54%	22	2%
White and Black Caribbean	85	49%	9	5%
Other Mixed	84	49%	6	3%
Other Asian	193	44%	16	4%
Pakistani	57	44%	9	7%
White and Black African	19	41%	3	7%
White and Asian	103	41%	8	3%
Chinese	335	40%	31	4%
Bangladeshi	289	37%	54	7%
Other Ethnic Group	128	34%	21	6%
Black African	79	29%	9	3%

Source: Standard Table 108

Table 8: Ethnicity and qualifications

	Number of people aged 16 to 74 with no qualifications	% of people aged 16 to 74 with no qualifications	Number of people with a degree or equivalent	Percentage of people with a degree or equivalent
Bangladeshi	349	45%	111	14%
Irish	337	35%	244	25%
Indian	1618	30%	1282	24%
British	27313	27%	18388	18%
Black Caribbean	43	21%	48	24%
Other Asian	91	21%	162	37%
Other White	432	20%	842	39%
White and Black Caribbean	35	20%	28	16%
White and Asian	40	16%	59	24%
Chinese	127	15%	435	52%
Other Mixed	25	15%	58	34%
Pakistani	18	14%	66	50%
Other Ethnic Group	51	13%	226	60%
Black African	21	7%	118	42%
White and Black African	3	7%	13	32%
Other Black	0	0%	18	56%

Source: Standard Table 117

Labour Market

- Table 7 shows there are large differences in the percentage of people working by ethnic group. This ranges from a high of 64% in the Other Black population to a low of 29% in the Black African population - a 35% range between the top and bottom figures. To some extent this may be explained by the fact that certain groups have younger age structures and some groups will contain a large proportion of students.
- Unemployment figures are low, with low numbers of people unemployed in each ethnic group. However, the proportion of unemployed is significant for some ethnic groups (Bangladeshi 7% and Other 6%).

Qualifications

- The proportion of the working age population with no qualifications is highest amongst the Bangladeshi community (45%).
- The percentage of people with a degree or equivalent is lowest amongst the Bangladeshi community (14%) and highest amongst the Other Ethnic group classification (60%).

Ethnicity and Health

Table 9: Ethnicity and health

	People with a LLTI ¹	Percentage with a LLTI	People with a 'Not good' Health	Percentage with 'Not good' health
Irish	241	21%	101	9%
Pakistani	29	16%	9	5%
British	21,019	15%	8,262	6%
Other Asian	77	13%	27	5%
Indian	961	13%	447	6%
Other White	345	13%	157	6%
Black Caribbean	30	13%	10	4%
Bangladeshi	137	11%	65	5%
Black African	34	10%	13	4%
Other Mixed	28	9%	9	3%
White and Asian	49	9%	14	2%
Other Black	3	7%	0	0%
White and Black Caribbean	25	6%	6	1%
Other Ethnic Group	21	4%	11	2%
Chinese	35	3%	3	0%
White and Black African	3	3%	3	3%

Source: Standard Table 107

Note: LLTI - Limiting Long Term Illness

Health

- There has been a general increase in the reporting of illness since the 1991 Census. Similar to figures for the rest of the County, the Irish community have significantly worse health and limiting long term illness than other ethnic groups. This to some extent could remain hidden as the Irish community, although a sizeable BME group, are spread more evenly than other groups across the Borough wards.