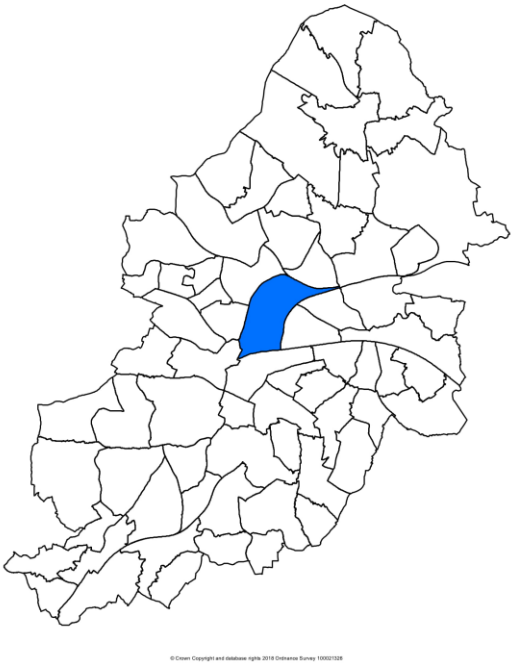
Nechells Ward Factsheet



Nechells Ward is located in the inner city and contains part of the city centre. It has a population of 16,147 making it the 34th most populous ward in the city.

The ward has a significantly larger share of young adults (aged 18-24) than the city as a whole due to a concentration of student accommodation in the ward. Nechells also has a higher BAME population share than the city average.

Nechells is amongst the city's more deprived wards.

Resident employment rates in the ward are well below the city average and economically inactive residents (those not in work or seeking work) account for over half of working age residents.

Population

16,147

Employment Rate

35.9%

NVQ4+ Qualifications

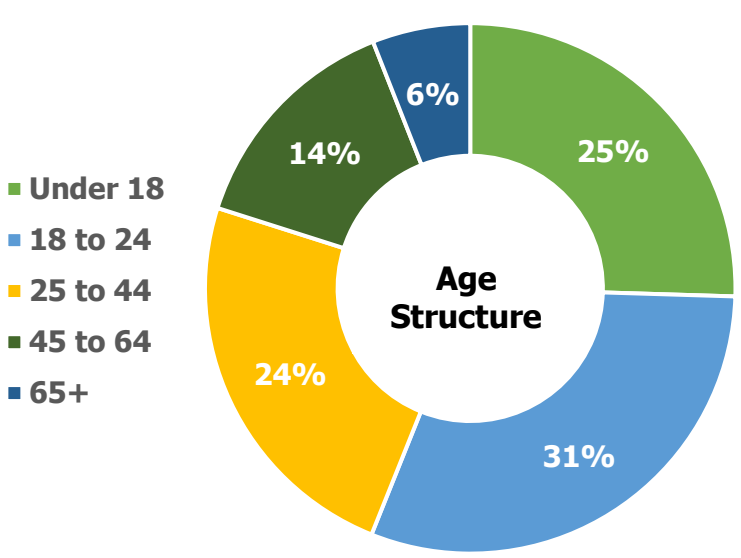
24.8%

	Ward Rank
Population	**34**
Employment Rate	**68**
No Qualifications Rate	**50**
Index of Deprivation	**24**

Demography

Table 1: Ward Age Structure

Age	Ward Nº	% of Ward Population	Birmingham %	England %
All Residents	16,147		-	-
16-64	11,471	71.0%	64.6%	63.0%
Under 18	4,115	25.5%	25.1%	20.8%
18-24	4,939	30.6%	11.5%	8.3%
25-44	3,848	23.8%	28.1%	26.6%
45-64	2,280	14.1%	22.1%	25.8%
65+	965	6.0%	13.1%	18.4%



Under 18s

25.5%

(25.1% B'ham)

Over 65s

6.0%

(13.1% B'ham)

Table 2: Ward Ethnicity

Ethnic Group	Ward Nº	% of Ward Population	Birmingham %	England %
All Residents	16,147		-	-
BAME Total	12,039	74.6%	51.4%	19.0%
Bangladeshi	833	5.2%	4.2%	1.1%
Chinese	486	3.0%	1.1%	0.8%
Indian	733	4.5%	5.8%	3.3%
Pakistani	1,560	9.7%	17.0%	2.8%
Black African	4,322	26.8%	5.8%	2.6%
Black Caribbean	1,048	6.5%	3.9%	1.1%
Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups	998	6.2%	4.8%	3.0%
Other Ethnic Group	1,088	6.7%	4.5%	2.2%
White	4,108	25.4%	48.6%	81.0%

Labour Market

Table 3: Ward Working Age Economic Activity

Economic Activity	Ward Nº	% 16-64	Birmingham %	England %
16-64 Population	11,473	-	-	-
Economically Active Total	5,473	47.7%	64.9%	71.0%
Employed	4,118	35.9%	57.9%	71.0%
Unemployed	1,355	11.8%	7.0%	0.0%
Economically inactive Total	6,000	52.3%	35.1%	24.6%

Claimant Count Unemployment

Ward level claimant count and youth claimant count unemployment data is released monthly. The latest data can be found in our monthly Unemployment Update available on our website on the following link: [Link to Monthly Unemployment Update]

Table 4: Ward Occupational Breakdown

Occupation	Ward Nº	% of Employed Residents	Birmingham %	England %
All Employed 16+	4,189	-	-	-
Managers, directors and senior officials	203	4.8%	9.3%	12.9%
Professional occupations	660	15.8%	21.1%	20.3%
Associate professional and technical occupations	379	9.0%	11.3%	13.3%
Higher Skilled Occupations	**1,242**	**29.6%**	**41.7%**	**46.4%**
Administrative and secretarial occupations	258	6.2%	9.3%	9.3%
Skilled trades occupations	235	5.6%	8.3%	10.2%
Intermediate Occupations	**493**	**11.8%**	**17.6%**	**19.4%**
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	480	11.5%	10.3%	9.3%
Sales and customer service occupations	447	10.7%	8.2%	7.5%
Process plant and machine operatives	444	10.6%	8.7%	6.9%
Elementary occupations	1,083	25.9%	13.4%	10.5%
Lower Skilled Occupations	**2,454**	**58.6%**	**40.7%**	**34.1%**

Higher Skilled 29.6%

Intermediate Skills 11.8

Lower Skilled 58.6%

Table 5: Ward NVQ Qualification Levels

NVQ Level	Ward Nº	% of 16+ Population	Birmingham %	England %
No Qualifications	2,600	20.9%	23.9%	18.1%
Level 1	1,041	8.4%	10.1%	9.7%
Level 2	1,136	9.1%	12.5%	13.3%
Apprenticeship	292	2.3%	3.6%	5.3%
Level 3	3,920	31.5%	17.1%	16.9%
Level 4 qualifications	3,084	24.8%	29.9%	33.9%
Other Qualifications	361	2.9%	2.9%	2.8%

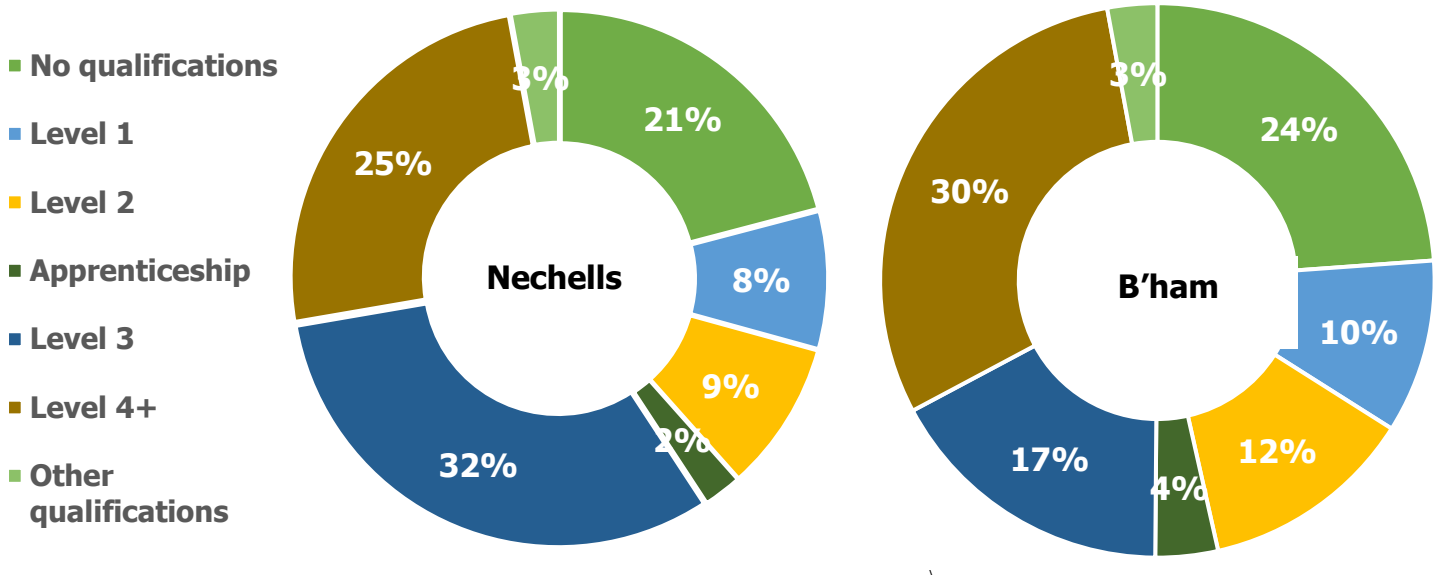


Table 6: Ward Disability & Long Term Health Conditions Working Age

Level	Ward Nº	%	Birmingham %	England %
Disabled	1,204	14.5%	16.1%	15.0%
Long Term Health Condition -not Disabled	365	4.4%	5.8%	7.5%
Total Disabled & Long Term Health Condition	**1,569**	**18.9%**	**21.8%**	**22.6%**
Not Disabled & No Long Term Health Conditions	6,753	81.1%	78.2%	77.4%

Table 7: Ward Language Barriers Aged 16+

Proficiency in English	Ward Nº	% 16+	Birmingham %	England %
Main language is English	9,113	73.3%	82.7%	90.1%
Main language is not English Total	3,324	26.7%	17.3%	9.9%
Main language is not English- Can speak English very well or well	2,439	19.6%	11.9%	7.9%
Main language is not English- Cannot speak English or speak English well	**885**	**7.1%**	**5.4%**	**2.1%**

Deprivation

Table 8: 2019 Index of Deprivation Birmingham Wards Ranked

Ward	2019 Ward Rank	2015 Ward Rank	Change in Rank 2015 to 2019	2019 Decile (where 1 is 10% Most Deprived Nationally)
Sparkbrook & Balsall Heath East	1	2	1	1
Bordesley Green	2	4	2	1
Lozells	3	3	-	1
Castle Vale	4	18	14	1
Alum Rock	5	5	-	1
Newtown	6	1	-5	1
Heartlands	7	9	2	1
Gravelly Hill	8	10	2	1
Balsall Heath West	9	6	-3	1
Birchfield	10	7	-3	1
Shard End	11	12	1	1
Kingstanding	12	16	4	1
Garretts Green	13	14	1	1
Aston	14	11	-3	1
Glebe Farm & Tile Cross	15	17	2	1
Handsworth	16	20	4	1
Kings Norton South	17	13	-4	1
Ward End	18	21	3	1
Bordesley & Highgate	19	15	-4	1
Tyseley & Hay Mills	20	22	2	1
Small Heath	21	19	-2	1
Frankley Great Park	22	24	2	1
Holyhead	23	23	-	1
Nechells	**24**	**8**	**-16**	**1**
Druids Heath & Monyhull	25	27	2	1
Stockland Green	26	28	2	1
Yardley West & Stechford	27	26	-1	1
Perry Common	28	29	1	2
Soho & Jewellery Quarter	29	25	-4	2
Sparkhill	30	30	-	2
Bartley Green	31	31	-	2
Allens Cross	32	35	3	2
Bromford & Hodge Hill	33	33	-	2
Billesley	34	37	3	2
Weoley & Selly Oak	35	41	6	2
Acocks Green	36	34	-2	2
Rubery & Rednal	37	40	3	2
Erdington	38	36	-2	3

Pype Hayes	39	39	-	2
Longbridge & West Heath	40	42	2	2
North Edgbaston	41	38	-3	2
Ladywood	42	32	-10	2
Moseley	43	44	1	2
Kings Norton North	44	46	2	2
Sheldon	45	52	7	3
Stirchley	46	50	4	3
Highter's Heath	47	47	-	3
South Yardley	48	45	-3	3
Yardley East	49	43	-6	3
Hall Green North	50	49	-1	3
Quinton	51	51	-	3
Oscott	52	53	1	3
Brandwood & King's Heath	53	54	1	3
Handsworth Wood	54	48	-6	3
Harborne	55	55	-	3
Perry Barr	56	58	2	4
Bournville & Cotteridge	57	56	-1	4
Sutton Reddicap	58	60	2	4
Northfield	59	57	-2	4
Bournbrook & Selly Park	60	61	1	5
Edgbaston	61	59	-2	5
Hall Green South	62	62	-	6
Sutton Trinity	63	63	-	6
Sutton Walmley & Minworth	64	64	-	7
Sutton Vesey	65	65	-	7
Sutton Mere Green	66	66	-	7
Sutton Wylde Green	67	68	1	7
Sutton Four Oaks	68	67	-1	8
Sutton Roughley	69	69	-	9

Child Poverty

Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) data on the number and proportion of children living in low income families provide an indication of the number of children living in poverty in each ward of the city. Low income families are defined as those whose household income is less than 60% of average household income. Only families who have claimed Child Benefit and at least one other household benefit are included in the statistics.

In 2021/22 there were 2,523 children living in low income households in Nechells, 40.7% of all children in the ward, meaning the ward is ranked 22nd in the city in terms of the levels of child poverty.

Children in Poverty

2,523
40.7%

Ward Rank

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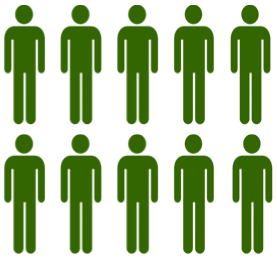
Economic Output

New experimental data from the ONS provides Gross Value Added (GVA) a measure of economic output at LSOA level. Ward economic output has been calculated using an LSOA best fit approach. Total economic output in Nechells stood at £1.8bn in 2020 (latest data available) and GVA per head was £107,488. Nechells has the 2nd largest ward economy in the city in terms of GVA.

GVA
£1,793m



GVA Per Head
£107,488