

BARNFIELD WARD PROFILE



The majority of data in this ward profile is taken from the 2021 Census, reflecting the population in March 2021 and analysed in 2023.

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BACKGROUND

HYNDBURN OVERVIEW

Hyndburn is a local government district with borough status in Lancashire, England. Its council is based in Accrington and covers the outlying towns of Clayton-le-Moors, Great Harwood, Oswaldtwistle and Rishton. The borough was created in 1974 and takes its name from the River Hyndburn. It has a population of around 82,000. Elections to the council are held in three out of every four years, with one third of the 35 seats on the council being elected at each election. Both the Conservative and Labour parties have controlled the council at different times, as well as periods when no party has had a majority.

The district is located between the larger settlements of Blackburn and Burnley. It is linked to both areas by the M65 motorway and the East Lancashire railway line.

Hyndburn has 16 wards.

BARNFIELD LOCATION

The Barnfield ward covers over 420 hectares of land stretching from the Viaduct and town centre in the west and spanning across to the Hyndburn district border in the east. The town we now call Accrington covers two townships which were established in 1507 following disafforestation; those of Old Accrington and New Accrington which were merged in 1878 with the incorporation of the borough council. There have been settlements there since the medieval period, likely in the Grange Lane and Black Abbey area. The town centre used to be the location of Spring Mill and the Foundry. The area has a population density of 11.2 persons per hectare, similar to the Hyndburn figure of 11.3.



BARNFIELD HISTORY

The first power looms were introduced into the area in 1818 by the Sykes. The family ran the old Grange Mill in Grange Lane, Accrington and lived in a house near the top of Oak Street, where the wife of Captain Cook (famous British Explorer and Navigator) was a regular visitor.

Accrington's historic market hall dates back to the Victorian era. The corner stone was laid in May 1868 by S Dugdale and the opening ceremony took place in October 1869. Although the origin of Accrington's market is unknown, some notion of the antiquity of this institution in the life of the community may be gathered from the court roll of November 1547 which bears witness to the presence of a corn market in the early Sixteenth Century continuing until the early Nineteenth century at Lower Fold.

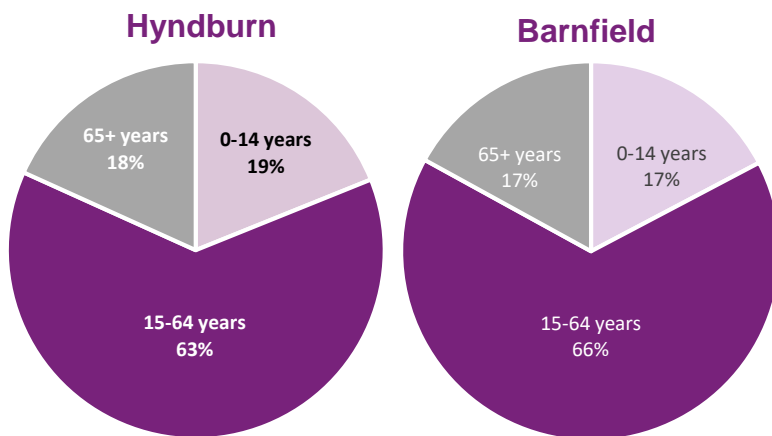
Since 1893, Oak Hill Park has provided a large, welcoming green space for the people of Accrington and surrounding areas. The park has many interesting features of historical, and natural interest, as well as providing leisure facilities such as bowling greens, tennis and basketball courts.

POPULATION

USUAL RESIDENTS

- Barnfield had a usual resident population of 4,706 in the 2021 Census. In 2001, the number of people who lived in the ward was 4,424 (6.4% population rise over 10 years).
- Over the same period, Hyndburn's population has increased by 1.9% going from 80,734 people up to 82,235.
- There are 2,180 households in Barnfield, around the Hyndburn average of 2,174 households per ward.
- The female/male split in Barnfield is the inverse of the rest of Hyndburn with fewer females at 2,339 (49.7%) than males at 2,368 (50.3%).

AGE

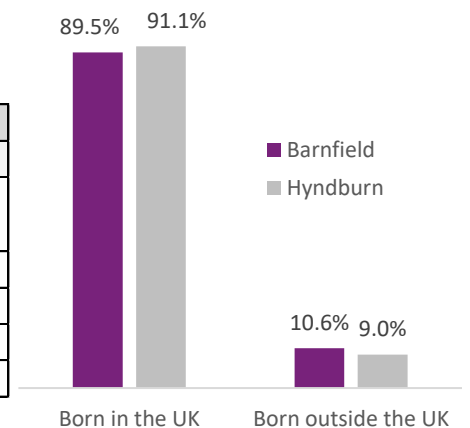


- Barnfield has a working population higher than Hyndburn as a whole.
- Barnfield's biggest sub-age group is 50-59 years old with 684 residents in that age bracket.
- The 80+ year group is the smallest in Barnfield with 189 residents.

ETHNICITY & RELIGION

Largest five ethnic groups

	Barnfield		Hyndburn	
	number	%	number	%
White: English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British	3,727	79.2%	65,471	79.6%
Pakistani	506	10.8%	10,825	13.2%
Other White	194	4.1%	2,018	2.5%
White and Asian	43	0.9%	573	0.7%
Indian	16	0.3%	363	0.4%



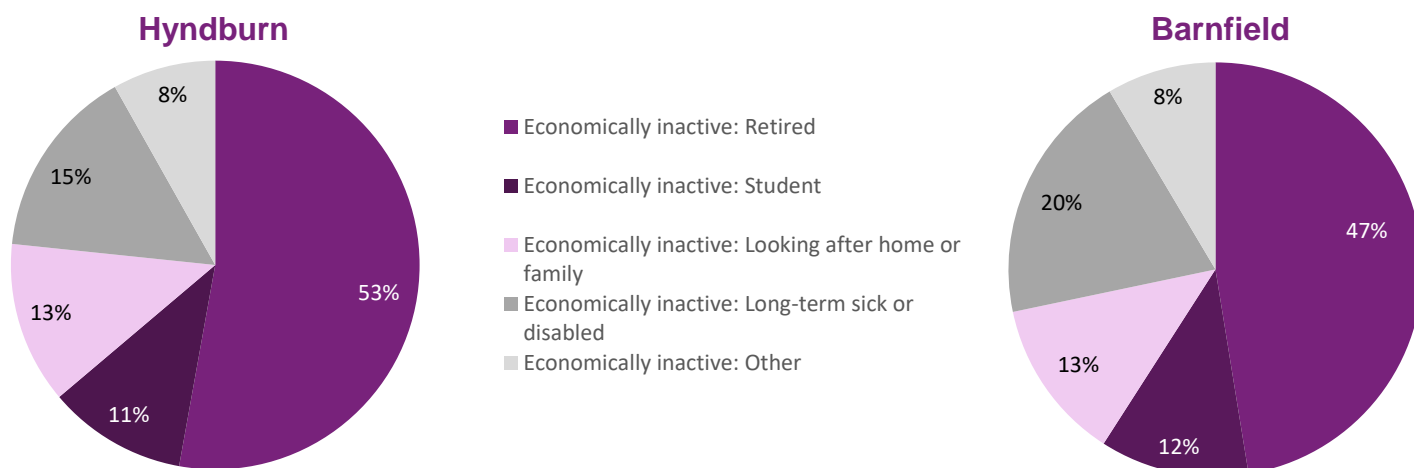
- Barnfield has a similar percentage of White residents as Hyndburn as whole.
- Residents of Pakistani heritage are the largest ethnic minority in Hyndburn (13.2%) and in Barnfield (10.8%).
- Around 10% of residents in the ward were born outside the UK, similar to that of the borough as a whole. These residents tended to be born in Europe.
- 48.5% of residents in the area are Christian, 32.1% have no religion and 12.7% are Muslim.

Hyndburn's top five Main Languages are English, Panjabi, Polish, Urdu and Bengali (with Sylheti and Chatgaya)

LOCAL ECONOMY

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

- Barnfield has a similar rate of economic activity (employed or looking for a job) at 57.2% than Hyndburn as a whole (57.7%).
- 93.5% of those who are economically active in Barnfield are employed, of which 13.2% (271) are self employed
- Of those in Barnfield that are employed, 71.8% work full time, and 28.2% part time. This is compared to 71.9% full time and 28.1% part time in Hyndburn.
- As seen in the graphs below, Barnfield has a smaller retired population who are economically inactive than Hyndburn as a whole.
- Barnfield's largest five industries of employment are:
 1. Wholesale and retail trade- 18.9%
 2. Human health and social work activities- 16.5%
 3. Manufacturing- 14.1%
 4. Education- 9.6%
 5. Construction- 7.2%



INDICIES OF DEPRIVATION

- The Indices of Deprivation (IoD) is based on 39 separate indicators, organised across seven distinct domains of deprivation, which are combined and weighted to calculate the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019.
- Across Hyndburn between 2010 and 2015, more domains deteriorated in rankings than improved.
- This is true for Barnfield, which has seen a drop in ranking since 2015.
- The IoD is published every 3-4 years.

	IMD	Income	Employment	Education	Health	Crime	Barriers to Housing	Living Environment	Most deprived neighbourhoods bottom 10%
Hyndburn	16	33	24	46	9	47	317	10	26.90%

Ward	LSOA	2015- 2019 change	2019	2015	2010	2007	2004
Hyndburn (326 districts- 1 being the most deprived)		-10	16	26	34	40	58
Barnfield (32,844 LSOAs- 1 being the most deprived)	E01025035	-1336	12,699	14,035	12,533	12,408	16,758
	E01025036	-233	241	474	416	377	1,270
	E01025037	-3084	4,752	7,836	7,554	5,751	8,281

EDUCATION

STUDENTS & QUALIFICATIONS

- Of the 15,851 students in Hyndburn, 841 are in Barnfield (5.3% of Hyndburn students).
- This is lower than the 991 average of students per ward in Hyndburn, and fifth lowest of all wards.
- A student is defined as a person aged 5 years and over who was in full-time education on Census Day. This includes schoolchildren and adults in full-time education.
- Barnfield has more people with higher-level qualifications than Hyndburn as a whole.
- Barnfield has three primary schools within the ward, these being '**Benjamin Hargreaves Church of England Primary School**', '**St Anne's and St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School**', and '**Woodnook Primary School**'. For more information, please see ['Get Information about Schools'](#) page.

Highest level of qualification	Barnfield	Hyndburn
No qualifications	21.4%	22.8%
Level 1 and entry level qualifications	9.8%	10.4%
Level 2 qualifications	15.6%	14.2%
Apprenticeship	6.6%	7.3%
Level 3 qualifications	16.6%	17.6%
Level 4 qualifications or above	27.3%	25.2%
Other qualifications	2.7%	2.6%

Level 1: One to four GCSE passed or equivalent qualifications

Level 2: Five or more GCSE passes or equivalent qualifications

Level 3: Two or more A Levels or equivalent qualifications

Level 4 or above: Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, Bachelor's degree, or post-grad.

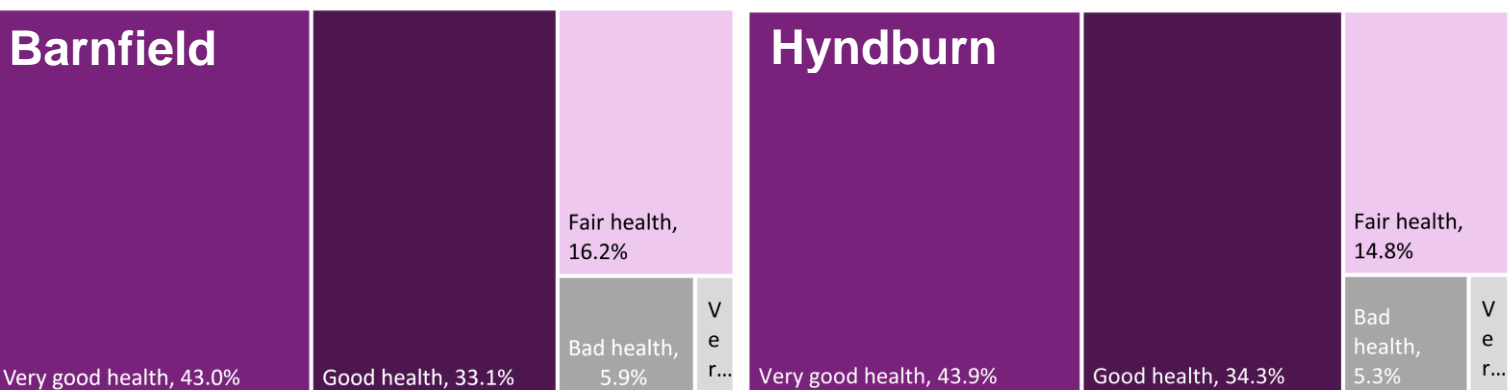
HEALTH

DISABILITY

- Overall, 29.0% people in Barnfield (1,364) have a long-term physical or mental health condition, compared to 26.8% (22,035) of people in Hyndburn.
- There is a further breakdown below.
- The Equality Act defines an individual as disabled if they have a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long-term negative effect on their ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

	Disabled under the Equality Act		Day-to-day activities limited a lot		Day-to-day activities limited a little		Not disabled under the Equality Act		Has long term physical or mental health condition but day-to-day activities are not limited		No long term physical or mental health conditions	
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%	number	%
Barnfield	1,082	23.0	509	10.8	573	12.2	3,624	77.0	282	6.0	3,342	71.0
Hyndburn	17,127	20.8	7,978	9.7	9,149	11.1	65,109	79.2	4,908	6.0	60,201	73.2

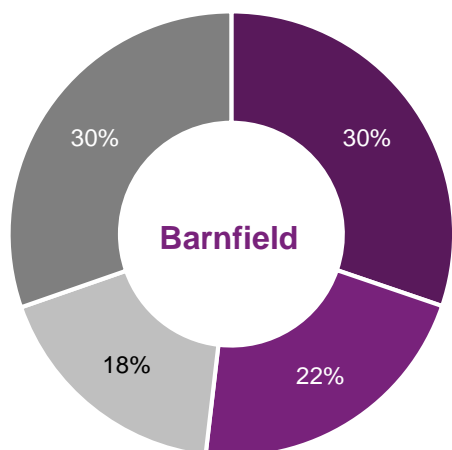
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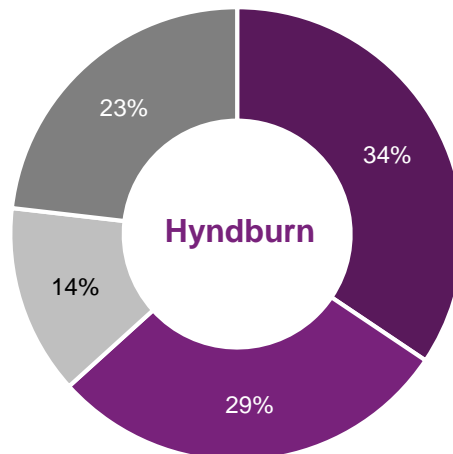
HOUSING

TENURE & HOUSEHOLDS

- Barnfield has a proportionately lower number of people who own their home outright (30% compared to 34% across the borough), as well as a smaller proportion of people who own their home with a mortgage (22%).
- Of the 2,180 households in Barnfield, 404 (18.5%) are older people households compared to 22% across Hyndburn.
- Barnfield has 281 (12.9%) lone parent families compared to 13% in Hyndburn as a whole.
- Barnfield has 498 (22.8%) married or civil partnership family households, and 249 (11.4%) cohabitating couple family households. These are both higher than the borough figures of 27.4% and 12.6% respectively.



- Owns outright
- Owns with a mortgage or loan
- Social rented
- Private rented



CRIME

LANCASHIRE CONSTABULARY FIGURES

- Below is a breakdown of crime figures in Hyndburn policing areas (as defined by the Lancashire Constabulary) for the last 12 months.
- Anti-social behaviour and Violence and sexual offences are the highest types of recorded crime committed in Hyndburn.
- The current priorities for Hyndburn's neighbourhood policing team are:
 - Anti-social behaviour
 - Burglaries
 - Taking a proactive approach to tackle nuisance crime

	Accrington Town Centre		Altham & CLM		Baxenden		Central & Springhill		Church with Millshaw		Huncoat		Oswaldtwistle & Knuzden		Peel, Barnfield & Woodnook		Rishton		Netherton & Overton	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Anti-social behaviour	279	29.8%	280	25.5%	51	25.20%	583	31.8%	420	27.4%	112	25.9%	112	25.9%	446	26.8%	209	27.9%	273	26.3%
Bicycle theft			5	0.5%	1	0.50%	10	0.5%	7	0.5%	2	0.5%	7	0.4%	3	0.4%	3	0.4%	3	0.3%
Burglary	33	3.5%	73	6.6%	36	17.80%	48	2.6%	104	6.8%	26	6.0%	26	6.0%	71	4.3%	24	3.2%	47	4.5%
Criminal damage and arson	57	6.1%	98	8.9%	9	4.50%	140	7.6%	127	8.3%	37	8.5%	37	8.5%	159	9.6%	61	8.1%	72	6.9%
Drugs	23	2.5%	10	0.9%	2	0.01	43	2.3%	22	1.4%	5	1.2%	5	1.2%	27	1.6%	12	1.6%	23	2.2%
Other crime	6	0.6%	24	2.2%	4	2%	30	1.6%	28	1.8%	1	0.2%	1	0.2%	27	1.6%	13	1.7%	16	1.5%
Other theft	40	4.3%	46	4.2%	15	7.40%	85	4.6%	62	4.0%	18	4.2%	18	4.2%	89	5.4%	37	4.9%	72	6.9%
Possession of weapons	11	1.2%	8	0.7%	2	0.01	9	0.5%	5	0.3%	2	0.5%	2	0.5%	15	0.9%	3	0.4%	16	1.5%
Public order	70	7.5%	41	3.7%	4	2.00%	92	5.0%	63	4.1%	39	9.0%	39	9.0%	84	5.1%	25	3.3%	44	4.2%
Robbery	8	0.9%	5	0.5%	1	0.005	11	0.6%	7	0.5%	160	37.0%	160	37.0%	4	0.2%	6	0.8%	3	0.3%
Shoplifting	110	11.8%	33	3.0%	17	0.084	90	4.9%	118	7.7%	11	2.5%	11	2.5%	146	8.8%	17	2.3%	37	3.6%
Theft from the person	9	1.0%	1	0.1%	60	30%	2	0.1%	1	0.1%	20	4.6%	20	4.6%	8	0.5%	2	0.3%	2	0.2%
Vehicle crime	11	1.2%	87	7.9%	56	7.50%	48	2.6%	59	3.9%			59	3.9%	59	3.5%	56	7.5%	68	6.5%
Violence and sexual offences	278	29.7%	389	35.4%	282	37.60%	645	35.1%	509	33.2%			509	33.2%	521	31.3%	282	37.6%	364	35.0%

Crime statistics from April 23 to March 24. Blank boxes have no recorded figures. Police.uk hold most up to date figures