# **Electoral Division Profile 2013**



#### **Dorchester Electoral Division**

Total Population: **19,060** (2011 Mid Year Estimate, DCC) NWDDC)

Number of Electors: 15,172 (Dec 2012,

- Dorchester Electoral Division is composed of the following wards: Dorchester East, Dorchester North, Dorchester South and Dorchester West.
- Within the division there is 1 library and 7 schools (4 primary, 2 middle and 1 secondary).

Population						
2011 Mid-Year Population Estimates, ONS & DCC	Dorchester Electoral Division	West Dorset	Dorset (DCC)			
All	19,060	99,260	412,910			
% aged 0-15 years	17.0%	15.8%	16.3%			
% aged 16-64 years	60.6%	57.7%	58.5%			
% aged 65-84 years	18.0%	22.3%	21.3%			
% aged 85+ years	4.4%	4.2%	3.9%			

• Dorchester has a total population of 19,060, represented by 2 elected members.

• The age profile is slightly younger than the County average, just over 22% are aged 65+ years compared with 25% across Dorset. However the proportion who are in very old age is higher than the County average (4.4% aged 85+ years compared to 3.9%).

## **Ethnicity/Country of Birth**

Census, 2011	Dorchester Electoral Division	West Dorset	Dorset (DCC)
% white British	94.2	95.7	95.5
% Black and minority ethnic groups (BME)	5.8	4.3	4.5
% England	90.3	91.3	91.0
% born rest of UK	3.3	3.1	3.4
% Rep of IRE	0.5	0.4	0.4
% EU (member countries in 2001)	1.3	1.2	1.3
% EU (Accession countries April 2001 to March 2011)	0.6	0.5	0.7
% born elsewhere	4.0	3.4	3.1

• The proportion from BME groups is slightly higher than the County average at 5.8%.

Households			
Census 2011	Dorchester Electoral Division	West Dorset	Dorset (DCC)
all household spaces	9,000	49,340	195,060
% household spaces with no usual residents	6.1	11.2	8.2
all household spaces with residents	8,450	44,390	180,210
% owner occupied	66.5	70.3	72.7
% rented (public)	17.9	13.9	12.4
% rented (private) & others	15.6	15.8	14.9
% no cars	23.2	15.7	15.5
% 2 or more cars	29.5	39.4	41.0
% of households 65+ (couples or lone, with/without dependents)	28.1	31.4	30.6
% married couples with/ without dependents	32.5	34.3	35.1
% cohabiting couples with/ without dependents	8.8	8.2	8.4
% lone parents with/ dependents	8.7	7.0	7.6
% all others	21.9	18.9	18.4
average household size	2.3	2.2	2.3

- The majority of households are owner occupied (66.5%), however, this is much lower than average for Dorset (73%).
- A high proportion of households rent property from the local authority/housing association (17.9% compared to 12.4% across Dorset).
- Car ownership is low, over 23% of households do not have a car, the County average is just 15.5%.

### Health and Care

Census, 2011	Dorchester Electoral Division	West Dorset	Dorset (DCC)
% long term illness/disability	20.5	20.3	20.1
% health very good/good	80.5	80.3	80.5
% health very bad/bad	5.3	5.0	5.0
% provides unpaid care	11.2	12.0	11.9
% all usual residents in communal establishments	3.0	2.7	2.3

- Overall the figures on health and care for Dorchester division are very similar to the County average.
- 20.5% have a long term illness or disability and 80.5% described their general health as good/ very good.
- 3% of the population live in a communal establishment, this includes those at Dorchester Prison.

# **Employment and Qualifications**

Census, 2011	Dorchester Electoral Division	West Dorset	Dorset (DCC)
all usual residents aged 16 to 74	13,490	70,360	293,440
all usual residents aged 16 to 74 economically active	9,620	47,570	199,940
% part-time	25.0	23.0	23.1
% full-time	55.5	48.6	51.0
% self-employed	11.8	21.5	18.4
% unemployed	3.7	3.4	4.0
all usual residents aged 16 to 74 economically inactive	3,870	22,790	93,500
% retired	57.9	65.4	63.6
% student	10.6	10.4	10.0
% looking after home/family	10.5	10.6	11.3
% sick/disabled	13.3	9.1	9.7
% other	7.7	4.5	5.4
all usual residents aged 16 and over	15,830	83,540	345,600
% of all usual residents aged 16 and over no qualifications	19.5	20.1	21.3
% of all usual residents aged 16 and over with higher level qualifications	31.7	30.8	27.0
all usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment	9,200	45,710	190,900
% high skill occupation	42.5	40.8	40.0
% intermediate skill occupation	41.5	43.1	43.4
% low skill occupation	16.0	16.1	16.6

• The majority of those who are economically active are employed full-time (55.5%). Dorchester has a relatively low proportion who are self-employed, 11.8% compared with 18.4% across Dorset.

- Of those who are economically inactive (aged 16-74) most are retired, 57.9%. Dorchester has a higher than average proportion who are permanently sick/disabled, 13.3%.
- Almost 32% of those aged 16+ in the town have a higher level qualification (degree or above), the County average is 27%

### Index of Deprivation 2010, CLG

Lower Super Output Area	IMD Rank
Fordington East	10,217
Fordington West & Thomas Hardye	25,040
Fordington Fields	25,345
Poundbury North	20,847
Dorchester Town Centre	8,451
Dorchester Monmouth Road	30,185
Dorchester Castle Park	22,283
Dorchester Manor Park	31,625
Dorchester Queen's Ave.	20,176

Lower Super Output Area	IMD Rank
Dorchester Victoria Park	16,382
Poundbury South	13,434

• IMD Stands for the Index of Multiple Deprivation

• All Lower Super Output Areas in England are ranked from 1 for the most deprived to 32,482 for the least deprived

 Dorchester Town Centre and Fordington East are the most deprived areas in the division.

• Both of these areas fall into the top 30% most deprived nationally for deprivation.

### MOSAIC socio-economic classifications, 2012

Rank	Dorchester ED Top 5 Mosaic Public Sector Types	Dorchester ED %	Dorset CC %
1	Mixed communities with many single people in the centres of small towns	9.9	5.7
2	Middle aged couples and families in right-to-buy homes	7.1	1.8
3	Self reliant older families in suburban semis in industrial towns	6.7	1.9
4	Residents in blue collar communities revitalised by commuters	6.7	3.7
5	Less mobile older people requiring a degree of care	6.2	2.0

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# Average House Prices

Postcode District	Detached	Sales	Semi-Det	Sales	Terraced	Sales	Flat/Mais	Sales	Overall Average	Total
Dorchester ED	£360,800	20	£266,548	22	£251,171	35	£190,206	17	£267,069	94
Dorset	£343,117	689	£233,079	304	£196,327	413	£162,160	220	£260,776	1,626
England & Wales	£324,602	43,260	£201,427	47,961	£196,327	50,491	£243,379	30,131	£238,293	171,843

Source: HM Land Registry, based on sales Oct-Dec 2012

### Citizens' Panel Questions—March 2011

Questions —Dorchester ED	Yes	No	Net Agreement
Do you feel that you can influence decisions made by Dorset County Council?	15%	68%	-53%
Do you feel informed about Dorset County Council?	57%	30%	28%
Do you agree that Dorset County Council offer value for money?	32%	34%	-2%

## Council Tax-2012/13

	Dorchester	Notes
Band D	£1,697.55	

### Earnings — median weekly earnings of full time employees

	Workplace based	Residence based
DCC Dorset	£458.50	£480.00
Christchurch	£477.40	£486.20
East Dorset	£458.50	£518.10
North Dorset	£379.90	£479.80
Purbeck	£484.60	£439.50
West Dorset	£452.70	£506.30
Weymouth & Portland	£437.50	£449.10

# **Crime Rates**

Area	Rate of total crime per 1,000 population
Dorchester ED	63.7
DCC Dorset	45.7
South West Region	61.2
England & Wales	72.0

Sources: Dorset County Council, Dorset Police  $\ \& \ ONS.$  For further detail contact 01305 224984

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings 2012, ONS

Unemployment Source: Claimant Count, Jan-Dec 2012, ONS							
Area	Male		Femal	е	Total		% of claimants long
	number	rate	number	rate	number	rate	term unemployed
Dorchester ED	105	2.0	49	0.9	154	1.5	11.3
DCC Dorset	2,605	2.2	1,341	1.1	3,946	1.6	12.1
Great Britain	1,011,913	5.1	514,638	2.6	1,526,551	3.8	25.0

#### Employment Business Register and Employment Survey 2011, ONS

Area	Employees in employment	% employed in the ser- vice sector	
Dorcheester ED	14,700	<b>9</b> 3%	
DCC Dorset	148,700	81%	
Great Britain	26,561,700	85%	
Note: Excludes self-employed & agricultural employment			

Firms	Source: MINT	Database,	Jan	201
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		% employing
	Number of	1-10 people
	firms	(micro firms)
Dorchester ED	1,980	96%

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