



Understanding Dudley 2017

A demographic, health and socio-economic profile of our communities

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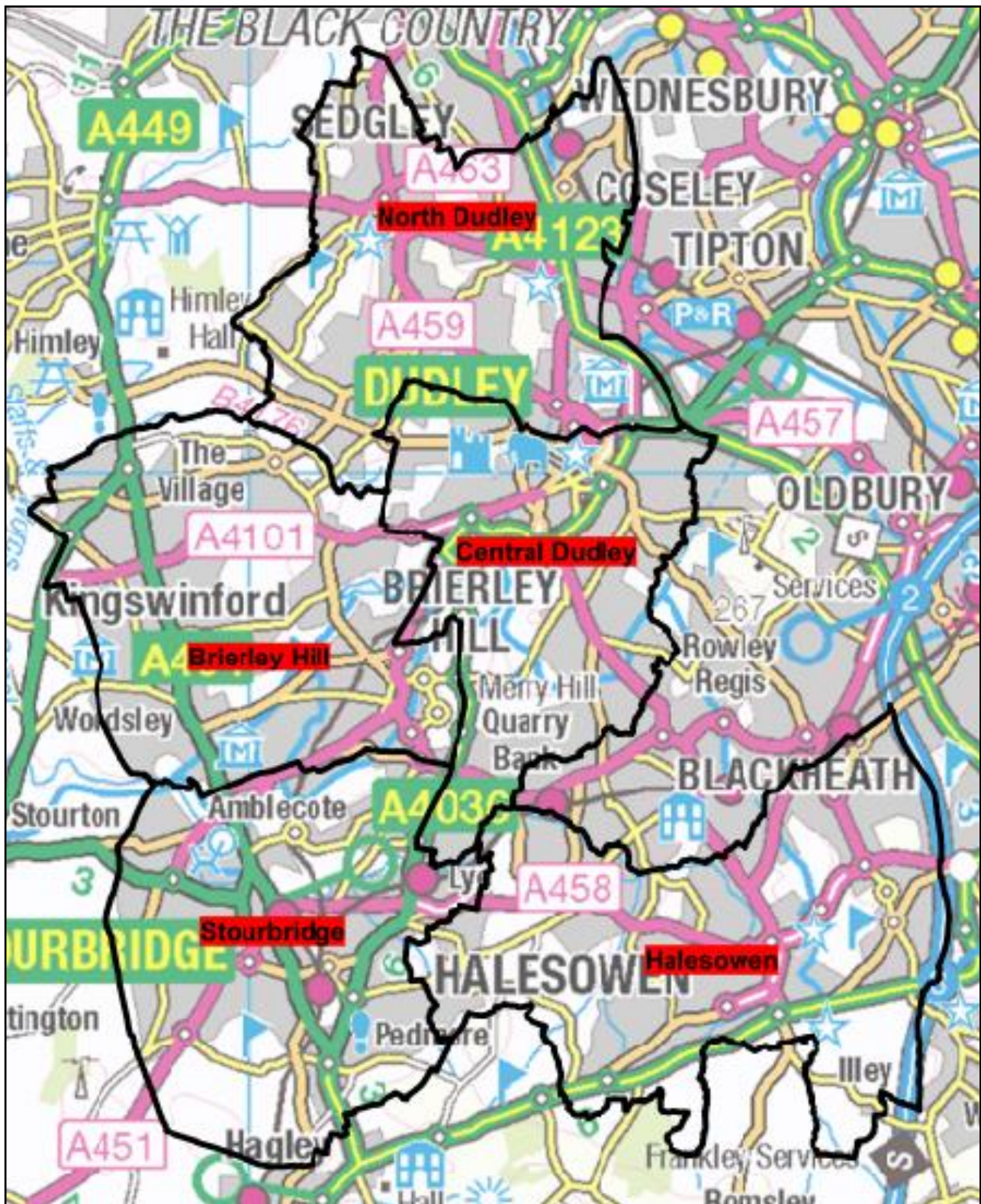
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5.1 Dudley Schools

There are a total of 107 state funded schools in Dudley. This is comprised of 78 primary schools, 19 secondary schools, 7 special schools, 2 pupil referral units (PRU) and 1 nursery. Attainment data throughout this section relates to pupils in attendance to these schools.

Table 1: State funded schools by area

	Ward	Primary Schools		Secondary Schools	Special Schools	PRU's	Nurseries
Brierley Hill	Brierley Hill	Brierley Hill Primary Hawbush Primary	St. Mary's R.C. Primary Brook Primary				
	Brockmoor And Pensnett	Brockmoor Primary St. Mark's C.E. Primary	The Bromley-Pensnett				
	Kingswinford North & Wall Heath	Blanford Mere Primary Church Of The Ascension Dawley Brook Primary	Maidensbridge Primary St. Mary's C.E. (V.C.) Primary	The Kingswinford School			
	Kingswinford South	Bromley Hills Primary Crestwood Park Primary	Fairhaven Primary Glynne Primary	The Summerhill School The Crestwood School	Brier School		
	Wordsley	Ashwood Park Primary Belle Vue Primary	Dingle Community Primary	The Wordsley School	Pens Meadow School		
Dudley Central	Netherton, Woodside & St Andrews	Highgate Primary Netherton C.E. Primary	Northfield Road Primary Woodside Primary	Hillcrest School And Community College			Netherton Park
	Quarry Bank & Dudley Wood	Dudley Wood Primary Netherbrook Primary	Quarry Bank Primary				
	St James's	Jesson's C.E. Primary Milking Bank Primary	Russells Hall Primary	The Holly Hall Academy	Sutton School	Cherry Tree Learning Centre	
	St Thomas's	Blowers Green Primary Kate's Hill Community Primary Sledmere Primary	St. Joseph's R.C. Primary Beechwood Church Of England Primary				
Dudley North	Castle & Priory	Foxyards Primary Priory Primary	Wren's Nest Primary	Bishop Milner Catholic College Castle High & Visual Arts College		Sycamore Short Stay School	
	Coseley East	Christ Church Primary Hurst Hill Primary	Wallbrook Primary	Ellowes Hall Sports College	Rosewood School		
	Gornal	Red Hall Primary Roberts Primary	Straits Primary				
	Sedgley	Alder Coppice Primary Cotwall End Primary	Queen Victoria Primary St. Chad's R. C. Primary	The Dormston School			
	Upper Gornal & Woodsetton	Bramford Primary (Academy)		The High Arcal School	Woodsetton School		
Halesowen	Belle Vale	Halesowen C.E. Primary St Margate's At Hasbury C.E. (V.C.) Primary	Newfield Park Primary Our Lady & St. Kenelm R. C. Primary	Windsor High And Sixth Form School The Earls High School			
	Cradley & Wollescote	Colley Lane Primary Cradley C.E. Primary	Wollescote Primary				
	Halesowen North	Hurst Green Primary	Olive Hill Primary		Halesbury School		
	Halesowen South	Howley Grange Primary Lapal Primary	Manor Way Primary Tenterfields Primary	Leasowes High School			
	Hayley Green & Cradley South	Caslon Primary Huntingtree Primary	Lutley Primary				
Stourbridge	Amblecote	Amblecote Primary Mount Pleasant Primary	Withymoore Primary				
	Lye & Stourbridge North	Peter's Hill Primary Rufford Primary	Thorns Primary	Redhill School Thorns Community College	The Old Park School		
	Norton	Gig Mill Primary Oldswinford C.E. Primary	St Joseph's R.C. (Stour) Primary The Ridge Primary	Ridgewood High School			
	Pedmore & Stourbridge East	Ham Dingle Primary Hob Green Primary	Pedmore C.E. Primary	Pedmore Technology College			
	Wollaston & Stourbridge Town	Greenfield Primary	St James's C.E. Primary	Old Swinford Hospital			

Source: www.education.gov.uk/Edubase/home

Table 2: Dudley pupils in schools graded Good or Outstanding by Ofsted

Phase	All Pupils	In Good or Outstanding Schools	
	↑	↑	%
Primary	27,361	23,325	85.2%
Secondary	16,335	10,754	65.8%
Total	43,696	34,079	78.0%

Source: Ofsted for grades; pupil counts from School Census Jan 2016

5.2 Early Years Foundation Stage Attainment

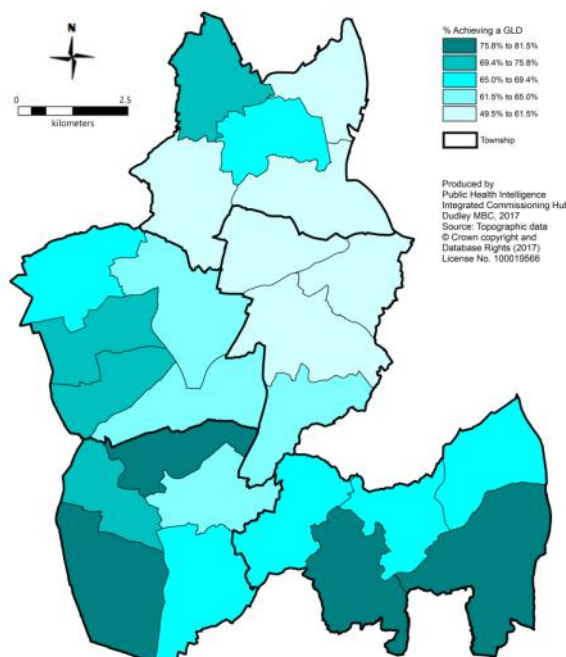
The learning, development and children's care standards from birth to their first 5 years of age are set by the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile (EYFSP). This applies to private, independent and voluntary sectors encompassing maintained and independent schools and registered early years providers. This results in an assessment at 5 years of age, at the end of the reception year.

Table 3: Pupils achieving a Good Level of Development (GLD)

Locality	2013		2014		2015		2016		2017	
	All Pupils	Achieved a GLD	All Pupils	Achieved a GLD	All Pupils	Achieved a GLD	All Pupils	Achieved a GLD	All Pupils	Achieved a GLD
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	724	51.2%	668	54.4%	738	60.2%	774	64.0%	788	67.6%
Dudley Central	754	40.5%	746	50.5%	792	56.4%	738	57.9%	768	56.4%
Dudley North	717	49.1%	739	58.0%	770	56.9%	764	60.7%	802	60.6%
Halesowen	684	58.1%	666	65.8%	687	63.3%	693	70.6%	749	70.7%
Stourbridge	665	56.5%	634	57.5%	625	66.0%	644	67.9%	690	71.3%
Out of the Borough	231	55.8%	230	59.0%	258	65.5%	259	70.0%	255	68.9%
Dudley Borough	3,775	51.1%	3,683	57.2%	3,870	60.6%	3,872	64.4%	4,052	65.4%
England		52.0%		60.0%		66.3%		69.3%		N/A

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

Figure 1: Pupils achieving a good level of development by ward



Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

What is this data telling us?

In 2017, nearly two-thirds (65.4%) of Dudley pupils achieved a good level of development (GLD). This has continued to improve year-on-year since 2013 where just over half of Dudley students achieved a GLD (51.1%).

In 2016, when the latest national figures were available, Dudley's GLD (64.4%) was below that of England (69.3%).

The wards with the highest percentage of children achieving a GLD are Halesowen South (81.4%), Hayley Green and Cradley South (77.9%) and Norton (76.9%).

5.3 Key Stage 1 Attainment – Reading

In 2016, a new and more demanding curriculum was used to assess pupils performance and results were no longer reported using the same measures used in previous years. Instead, the interim frameworks for teacher assessment were used to assess pupil's achievements against the new expected standard. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not comparable to previous years.

Table 4: Pupils achieving Level 2b or more for Reading at Key Stage 1 for years 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	651	79.6%	712	78.4%	694	81.4%	719	78.6%
Dudley Central	737	70.6%	690	70.7%	712	73.9%	747	74.4%
Dudley North	703	72.3%	736	77.4%	687	78.9%	737	76.8%
Halesowen	651	79.3%	636	81.1%	643	83.0%	697	82.5%
Stourbridge	649	80.7%	612	83.8%	637	79.3%	663	83.7%
Dudley Borough	3,656	76.0%	3,638	78.0%	3,626	79.4%	3,821	79.2%
England		76%		79%		81%		82%

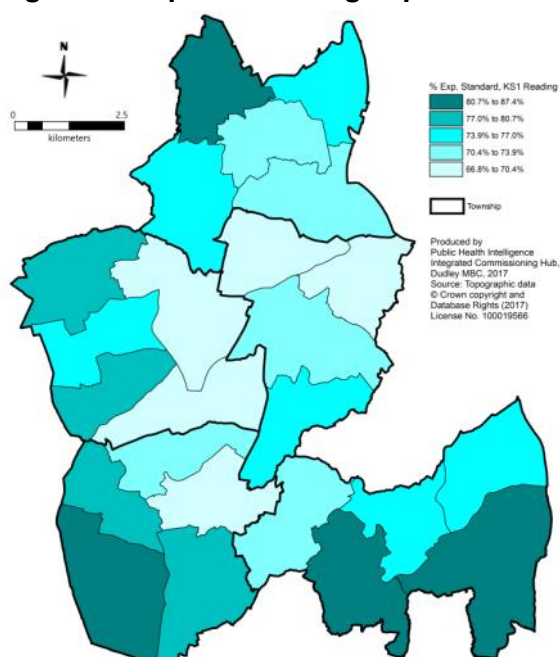
Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Table 5: Pupils achieving the 'Expected Standard' for Reading at Key Stage 1 in 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Achieved Exp. Standard
	↑	%
Brierley Hill	661	72.5%
Dudley Central	753	71.6%
Dudley North	747	74.4%
Halesowen	669	77.0%
Stourbridge	642	75.2%
Out of Borough	268	77.2%
Dudley Borough	3,740	74.3%
England		74%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 2: Pupils achieving expected standard in Reading



Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, nearly three-quarters (74.3%) of Dudley pupils achieved the expected standard in KS1 reading. This percentage is slightly above the English average (74%).

Out of all the townships within Dudley, Dudley Central has performed the lowest (71.6%) whilst Halesowen has performed the highest (77.0%).

The highest performing wards were Halesowen South (87.4%), Hayley Green and Cradley South (83.7%) and Norton (82.4%).

5.4 Key Stage 1 Attainment – Writing

In 2016, a new and more demanding curriculum was used to assess pupil's performance and results were no longer reported using the same measures used in previous years. Instead, the interim frameworks for teacher assessment were used to assess pupil's achievements against the new expected standard. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not comparable to previous years.

Table 6: Pupils achieving Level 2b or more for Writing at Key Stage 1 for years 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	651	68.8%	712	65.7%	694	71.3%	719	67.6%
Dudley Central	737	60.8%	690	60.7%	712	64.9%	747	66.4%
Dudley North	703	58.3%	736	62.2%	687	67.2%	737	67.0%
Halesowen	651	71.3%	636	71.5%	643	71.2%	697	75.5%
Stourbridge	649	71.5%	612	76.1%	637	72.2%	663	77.7%
Dudley Borough	3,656	65.6%	3,638	66.8%	3,626	69.4%	3,821	70.8%
England		64%		67%		70%		72%

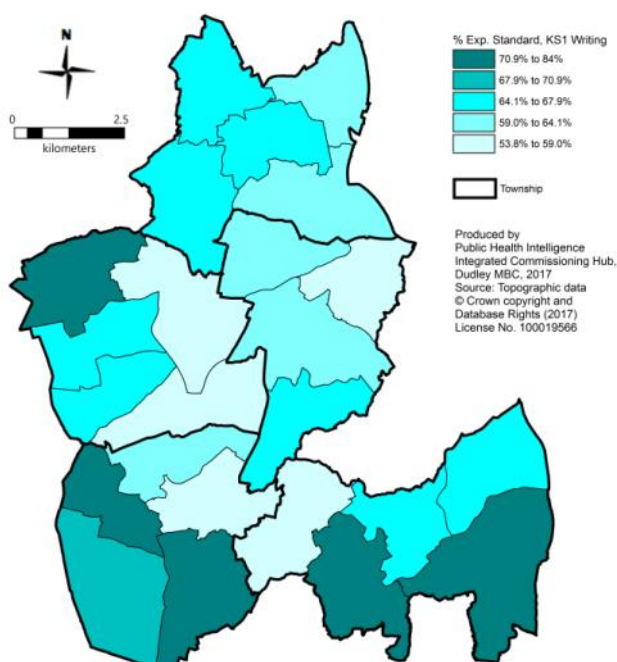
Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Table 7: Pupils achieving the 'Expected Standard' for Writing at Key Stage 1 in 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Achieved Exp. Standard
	↑	%
Brierley Hill	661	63.1%
Dudley Central	753	61.2%
Dudley North	747	64.3%
Halesowen	669	67.7%
Stourbridge	642	65.9%
Out of Borough	268	67.9%
Dudley Borough	3,740	64.6%
England		65%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 3: Pupils achieving expected standard in Writing



What is this data telling us?

In 2016, nearly two-thirds (64.6%) of Dudley pupils achieved the expected standard in KS1 reading. This percentage is slightly below the English average (65%).

Out of all the townships within Dudley, Dudley Central has performed the lowest (61.2%) whilst Halesowen has performed the highest (67.7%).

The highest performing wards were Halesowen South (83.9%), Kingswinford North (78.8%) and Wollaston and Stourbridge Town (75.4%)

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

5.5 Key Stage 1 Attainment – Maths

In 2016, a new and more demanding curriculum was used to assess pupil's performance and results were no longer reported using the same measures used in previous years. Instead, the interim frameworks for teacher assessment were used to assess pupil's achievements against the new expected standard. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not comparable to previous years.

Table 8: Pupils achieving Level 2b or more for Maths at Key Stage 1 for years 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+	All Pupils	Achieved L2b+
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	651	79.4%	712	79.6%	694	80.8%	719	77.3%
Dudley Central	737	68.5%	690	72.2%	712	75.1%	747	78.0%
Dudley North	703	74.0%	736	76.5%	687	78.0%	737	80.1%
Halesowen	651	81.1%	636	82.2%	643	81.0%	697	84.5%
Stourbridge	649	81.0%	612	84.0%	637	78.8%	663	83.9%
Dudley Borough	3,656	76.5%	3,638	78.6%	3,626	78.8%	3,821	81.0%
England		76%		78%		80%		82%

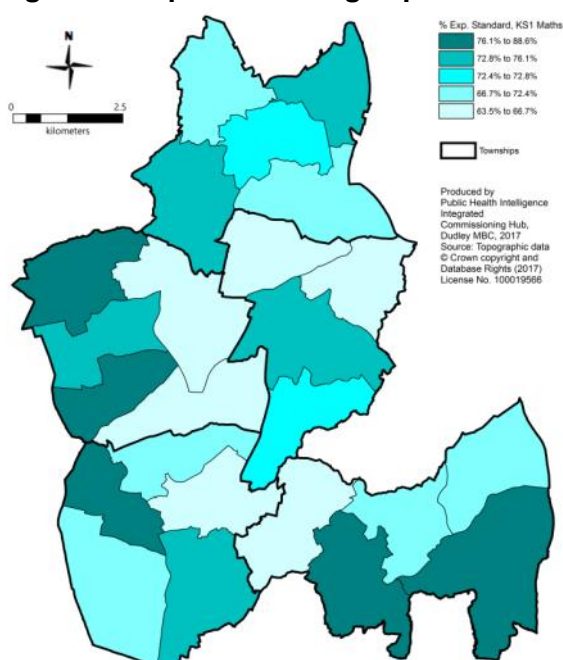
Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Table 9: Pupils achieving the 'Expected Standard' for Maths at Key Stage 1 in 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Achieved Exp. Standard
	↑	%
Brierley Hill	661	70.2%
Dudley Central	753	69.2%
Dudley North	747	72.4%
Halesowen	669	73.2%
Stourbridge	642	72.3%
Out of Borough	268	76.1%
Dudley Borough	3,740	71.8%
England		73%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 4: Pupils achieving expected standard in Maths



Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, under three-quarters (71.8%) of Dudley pupils achieved the expected standard in KS1 maths. This is slightly below the English average (73%).

Out of all the townships within Dudley, Dudley Central has performed the lowest (69.2%) whilst Halesowen has performed the highest (73.2%).

The highest performing wards were Halesowen South (88.5%), Wollaston and Stourbridge Town (80.7%) and Hayley Green and Cradley South (78.7%)

5.6 Key Stage 2 Attainment – Reading, Writing and Maths

Pupils were assessed against a more demanding curriculum in 2016. Therefore results are no longer reported as levels, with pupils performance instead assessed against the new higher expected standard. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to measures for previous years.

Table 10: Pupils achieving L4 or more for Reading, Writing and Maths at KS2 for 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	657	72.1%	694	74.9%	677	78.3%	744	82.1%
Dudley Central	670	66.9%	634	67.0%	664	71.2%	674	75.2%
Dudley North	672	66.5%	697	72.4%	675	76.0%	678	76.1%
Halesowen	627	77.0%	620	74.6%	648	79.9%	620	84.7%
Stourbridge	636	79.1%	602	78.4%	560	81.8%	594	82.0%
Out of Borough	255	73.0%	264	75.9%	236	80.9%	253	83.0%
Dudley Borough	3,517	72.3%	3,511	73.6%	3,460	77.5%	3,563	80.2%
England		75%		75%		78%		80%

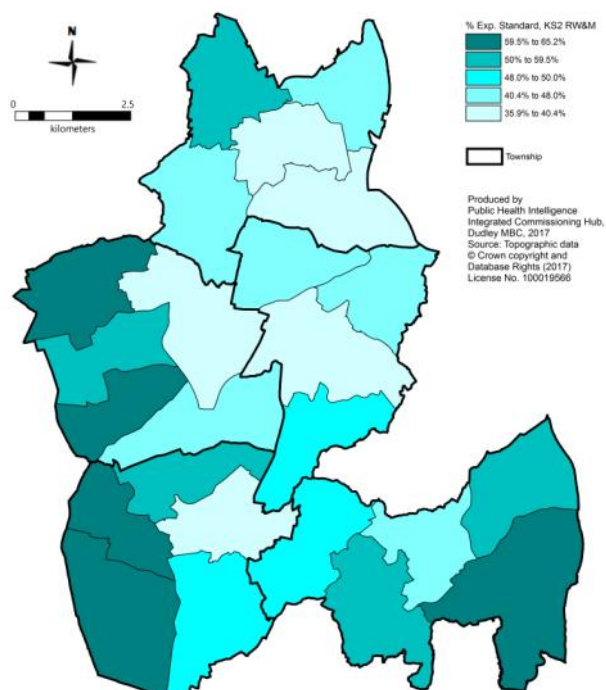
Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Table 11: Pupils achieving expected standard' for Reading, Writing and Maths at KS2, 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Achieved Exp. Standard
	↑	%
Brierley Hill	671	52.3%
Dudley Central	715	42.2%
Dudley North	724	42.5%
Halesowen	653	52.4%
Stourbridge	633	51.7%
Out of Borough	293	53.9%
Dudley Borough	3,689	48.5%
England		53%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 5: Pupils achieving expected standard in RWM



Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, under half (48.5%) of Dudley pupils achieved the expected standard in KS2 RWM. This is below the English average (53%).

Out of all the townships within Dudley, Dudley Central has performed the lowest (42.2%) whilst Halesowen has performed the highest (52.4%).

The highest performing wards were Halesowen South (65.1%), Kingswinford North and Wall Heath (63.8%) and Norton (61.3%)

5.7 Key Stage 2 Attainment – Reading

Pupils were assessed against a more demanding curriculum in 2016. Therefore results are no longer reported as levels, with pupils performance instead assessed against the new higher expected standard. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to measures for previous years.

Table 12: Pupils achieving L4 or more for Reading at KS2, 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	657	84.7%	694	85.1%	677	89.4%	744	90.9%
Dudley Central	670	83.4%	634	77.6%	664	82.7%	674	84.9%
Dudley North	672	80.1%	697	82.9%	675	86.4%	678	85.7%
Halesowen	627	88.3%	620	85.5%	648	88.9%	620	91.5%
Stourbridge	636	90.3%	602	87.5%	560	89.8%	594	89.6%
Out of Borough	255	85.3%	264	88.5%	236	91.5%	253	92.5%
Dudley Borough	3,517	85.3%	3,511	84.0%	3,460	87.6%	3,563	88.7%
England		87%		86%		89%		90%

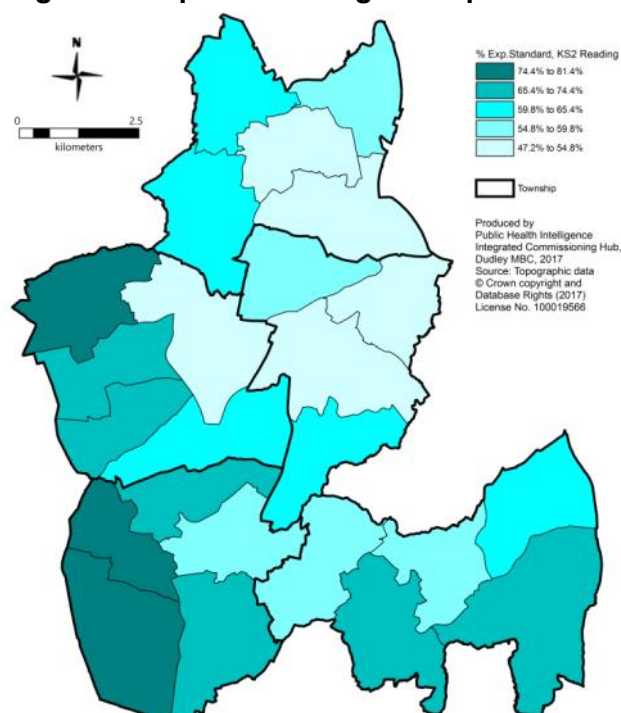
Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Table 13: Pupils achieving expected standard for Reading at KS2, 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Achieved Exp. Standard
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Brierley Hill	671	67.2%
Dudley Central	715	53.7%
Dudley North	724	54.6%
Halesowen	653	62.6%
Stourbridge	633	68.2%
Out of Borough	293	66.2%
Dudley Borough	3,689	61.4%
England		66%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 6: Pupils achieving the expected standard in Reading



What is this data telling us?

In 2016, nearly two-thirds (61.4%) of Dudley pupils achieved the expected standard in KS2 reading. This is below the English average (66%).

Out of all the townships within Dudley, Dudley Central has performed the lowest (53.7%) whilst Stourbridge has performed the highest (68.2%).

The highest performing wards were Wollaston and Stourbridge Town (81.3%), Kingswinford North and Wall Heath (76.7%) and Norton (75.7%).

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

5.8 Key Stage 2 Attainment – Writing

Pupils were assessed against a more demanding curriculum in 2016. Therefore results are no longer reported as levels, with pupils performance instead assessed against the new higher expected standard. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to measures for previous years.

Table 14: Pupils achieving Level 4 or more for Writing at KS2, 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	657	81.0%	694	84.1%	677	85.7%	744	88.7%
Dudley Central	670	77.7%	634	79.2%	664	79.6%	674	81.6%
Dudley North	672	75.9%	697	81.8%	675	84.7%	678	84.8%
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England		81%		84%		86%		87%

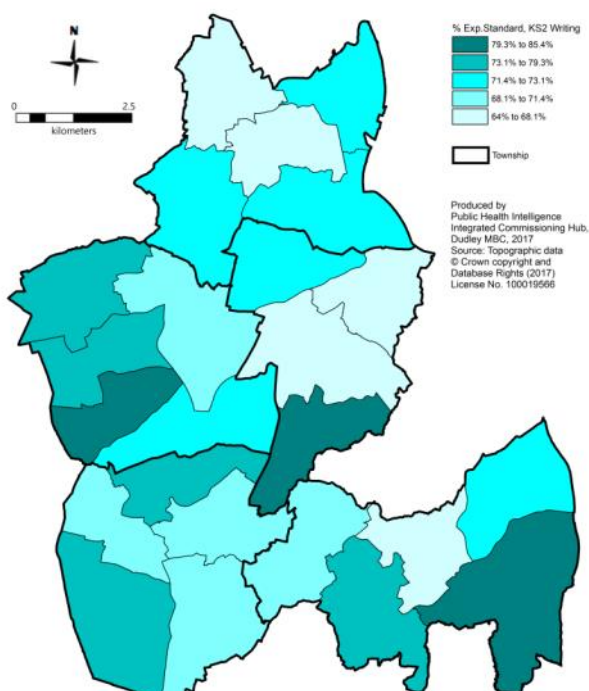
Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Table 15: Pupils achieving expected standard for Writing at KS2, 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Achieved Exp. Standard
	↑	%
Brierley Hill	671	74.7%
Dudley Central	715	69.5%
Dudley North	724	69.8%
Halesowen	653	73.9%
Stourbridge	633	73.9%
Out of Borough	293	76.4%
Dudley Borough	3,689	72.6%
England		74%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 7: Pupils achieving expected standard for Writing



What is this data telling us?

In 2016, nearly three-quarters (72.6%) of Dudley pupils achieved the expected standard in KS2 writing. This is slightly below the English average (74%).

Out of all the townships within Dudley, Dudley Central has performed the lowest (69.5%) whilst Brierley Hill has performed the highest (74.7%).

The highest performing wards were Halesowen South (85.3%), Wordsley (80.2%) and Quarry Bank and Dudley Wood (79.6%)

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

5.9 Key Stage 2 Attainment – Maths

Pupils were assessed against a more demanding curriculum in 2016. Therefore results are no longer reported as levels, with pupils performance instead assessed against the new higher expected standard. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to measures for previous years.

Table 16: Pupils achieving Level 4 or more for Maths at KS2, 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+	All Pupils	Achieved L4+
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	657	82.0%	694	82.9%	677	86.0%	744	87.6%
Dudley Central	670	79.8%	634	79.5%	664	81.9%	674	84.0%
Dudley North	672	76.5%	697	82.5%	675	83.0%	678	84.8%
Halesowen	627	85.5%	620	83.7%	648	87.3%	620	90.8%
Stourbridge	636	86.6%	602	86.1%	560	87.5%	594	88.0%
Out of Borough	255	83.7%	264	83.1%	236	89.0%	253	88.5%
Dudley Borough	3,517	82.1%	3,511	82.9%	3,460	85.3%	3,563	87.1%
England		84%		85%		86%		87%

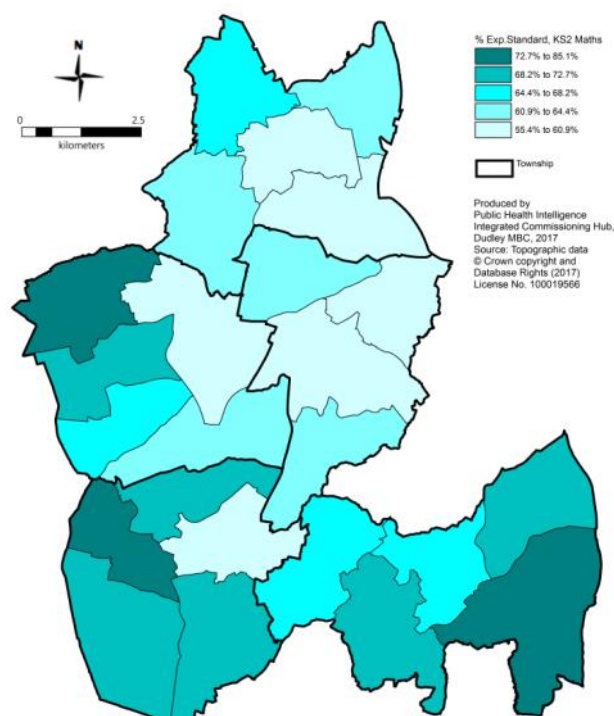
Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Table 17: Pupils achieving expected standard for Maths at KS2, 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Achieved Exp. Standard
	↑	%
Brierley Hill	671	66.6%
Dudley Central	715	60.1%
Dudley North	724	60.4%
Halesowen	653	70.0%
Stourbridge	633	71.1%
Out of Borough	293	69.6%
Dudley Borough	3,689	65.7%
England		70%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 8: Pupils achieving expected standard for Maths



What is this data telling us?

In 2016, nearly two-thirds (65.7%) of Dudley pupils achieved the expected standard in KS2 maths. This is below the English average (70%).

Out of all the townships within Dudley, Dudley Central has performed the lowest (60.1%) whilst Stourbridge has performed the highest (71.1%).

The highest performing wards were Wollaston and Stourbridge Town (85.0%), Kingswinford North and Wall Heath (75.9%) and Halesowen South (75.2%).

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keypas

5.10 Progress in Reading - Key Stage 1 to Key Stage 2

In 2016, the measure 'expected (2 levels of) progress' was replaced by an average progress score which is not comparable with previous years. This score is contributed to through each pupil's individual subject progress scores and calculated as an average. This new measure is relative, meaning that the national average progress score for mainstream schools is zero.

Table 18: Pupils making expected progress in Reading between KS1 & KS2, 2013 to 2015

Locality	2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Exp progress	All Pupils	Exp progress	All Pupils	Exp progress
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	694	88.7%	677	89.6%	744	92.5%
Dudley Central	634	85.6%	664	87.2%	674	88.7%
Dudley North	697	85.3%	675	90.0%	678	88.7%
Halesowen	620	88.2%	648	90.0%	620	89.4%
Stourbridge	602	91.1%	560	90.1%	594	88.7%
Out of Borough	264	85.9%	236	90.0%	253	91.9%
Dudley Borough	3,511	87.6%	3,460	89.4%	3,563	89.9%
England		88%		91%		91%

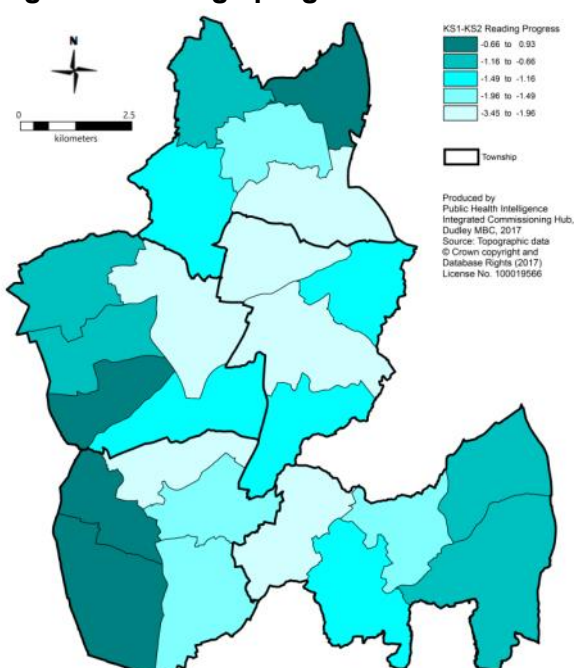
Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level, Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Table 19: The average progress score for Reading at Key Stage 2 in 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Average progress score
Brierley Hill	671	-1.2
Dudley Central	715	-2.1
Dudley North	724	-1.8
Halesowen	653	-1.6
Stourbridge	633	-1.1
Out of Borough	293	-0.9
Dudley Borough	3,689	-1.5
England		0.0

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keyphas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 9: Average progress score for Reading



Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, Dudley pupils achieved an average progress score of -1.5 for reading. This is lower than the England average of 0.0.

Between 2013 and 2015, the percentage of pupils achieving the expected progress improved year on year.

The lowest performing township in 2016 was Dudley Central (-2.1) and Stourbridge the highest (-1.1).

The highest performing wards were Wollaston and Stourbridge Town (0.9), Wordsley (-0.5), Halesowen North (-0.7) and Norton (-0.6).

5.11 Progress in Writing - Key Stage 1 to Key Stage 2

In 2016, the measure 'expected (2 levels of) progress' was replaced by an average progress score which is not comparable with previous years. This score is contributed to through each pupil's individual subject progress scores and calculated as an average. This new measure is relative, meaning that the national average progress score for mainstream schools is zero.

Table 20: Pupils making expected progress in Writing between KS1 & KS2, 2013 to 2015

Locality	2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Exp progress	All Pupils	Exp progress	All Pupils	Exp progress
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	694	93.8%	677	94.0%	744	95.8%
Dudley Central	634	92.6%	664	92.5%	674	91.8%
Dudley North	697	90.9%	675	93.6%	678	95.2%
Halesowen	620	94.7%	648	94.5%	620	95.6%
Stourbridge	602	93.4%	560	93.4%	594	96.1%
Out of Borough	264	98.0%	236	94.3%	253	96.4%
Dudley Borough	3,511	93.4%	3,460	93.7%	3,563	95.0%
England		92%		93%		94%

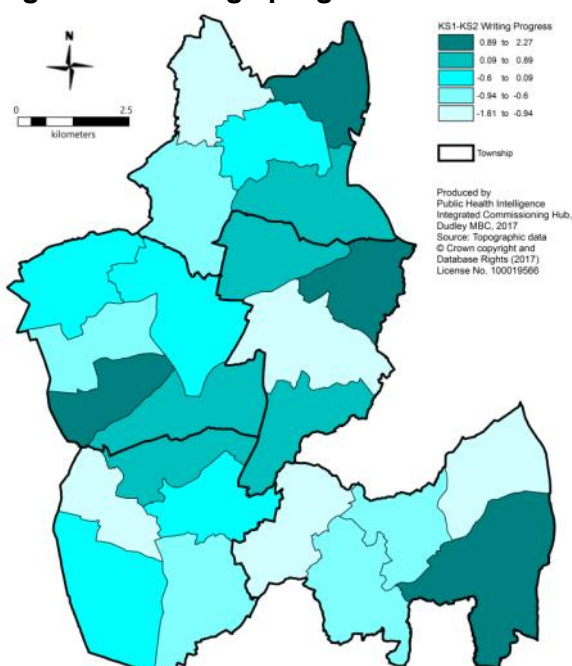
Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level, Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Table 21: The average progress score for Writing at Key Stage 2 in 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Average progress score
Brierley Hill	671	0.0
Dudley Central	715	0.1
Dudley North	724	0.0
Halesowen	653	-0.5
Stourbridge	633	-0.3
Out of Borough	293	-0.1
Dudley Borough	3,689	-0.1
England		0.0

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keyphas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 10: Average progress score for Writing



Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, Dudley pupils achieved an average progress score of -0.1 for reading. This is marginally lower than the England average of 0.0.

Between 2013 and 2015, the percentage of pupils achieving the expected progress improved year on year.

The lowest performing township in 2016 was Halesowen (-0.5) and Dudley Central the highest (0.1).

The highest performing wards were Halesowen South (2.3), St. Thomas's (1.5) and Coseley East (1.5).

5.12 Progress in Maths - Key Stage 1 to Key Stage 2

In 2016, the measure 'expected (2 levels of) progress' was replaced by an average progress score which is not comparable with previous years. This score is contributed to through each pupil's individual subject progress scores and calculated as an average. This new measure is relative, meaning that the national average progress score for mainstream schools is zero.

Table 22: Pupils making expected progress in Maths between KS1 & KS2, 2013 to 2015

Locality	2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Exp progress	All Pupils	Exp progress	All Pupils	Exp progress
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	694	87.8%	677	88.4%	744	90.9%
Dudley Central	634	86.9%	664	88.2%	674	88.2%
Dudley North	697	85.3%	675	87.6%	678	88.9%
Halesowen	620	87.3%	648	88.6%	620	91.3%
Stourbridge	602	89.8%	560	89.5%	594	90.0%
Out of Borough	264	85.5%	236	88.3%	253	89.9%
Dudley Borough	3,511	87.2%	3,460	88.4%	3,563	89.9%
England		88%		90%		90%

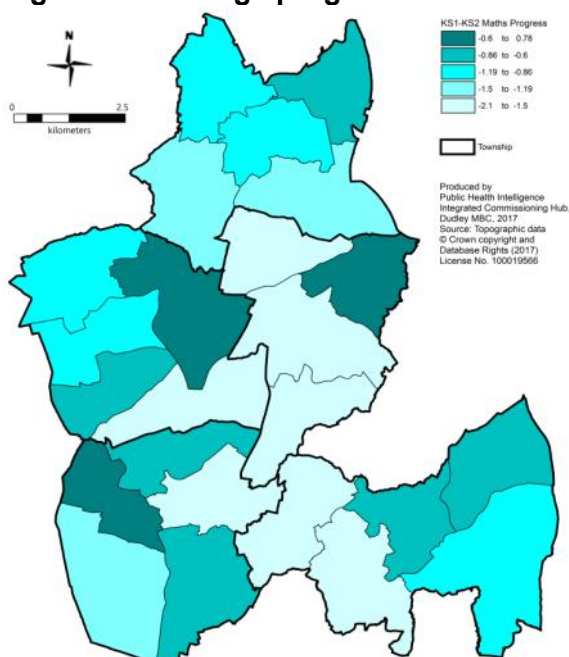
Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level, Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Table 23: The average progress score for Maths at Key Stage 2 in 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Average progress score
Brierley Hill	671	-1.2
Dudley Central	715	-1.2
Dudley North	724	-1.2
Halesowen	653	-1.1
Stourbridge	633	-0.9
Out of Borough	293	-1.1
Dudley Borough	3,689	-1.1
England		0.0

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keyphas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 11: Average progress score for Maths



Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, Dudley pupils achieved an average progress score of -1.1 for reading. This is lower than the England average of 0.0.

Between 2013 and 2015, the percentage of pupils achieving the expected progress improved year on year.

The highest performing township in 2016 was Stourbridge (-0.9).

The highest performing wards were Wollaston and Stourbridge Town (0.8), St. Thomas's (-0.2) and Brockmoor and Pensnett (-0.6).

5.13 Key Stage 4 Overall Attainment

In 2016 a new accountability system for secondary schools was implemented. This introduced the 'Attainment 8' measure which replaced the 5+ A*-C GCSEs including English and Maths. This aims to measure the average achievement of pupils within 8 qualifications which cover 'elements' of English, Maths, Ebacc and Open. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to those of previous years.

Table 24: Percentage of pupils achieving 5 + A*-C GCSEs inc. English and Maths, 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	5 x A*-C inc EM	All Pupils	5 x A*-C inc EM	All Pupils	5 x A*-C inc EM	All Pupils	5 x A*-C inc EM
	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%	↑	%
Brierley Hill	698	62.6%	722	65.4%	661	55.2%	667	52.8%
Dudley Central	602	49.3%	608	53.3%	605	43.8%	586	47.6%
Dudley North	529	48.4%	821	55.9%	736	49.7%	717	51.2%
Halesowen	703	60.3%	623	65.5%	624	59.0%	603	57.4%
Stourbridge	606	65.2%	611	60.9%	583	62.1%	572	57.0%
Dudley Borough	3,857	56.1%	3,929	59.7%	3,736	53.3%	3,634	53.0%
England		59.1%		60.8%		56.8%		57.3%

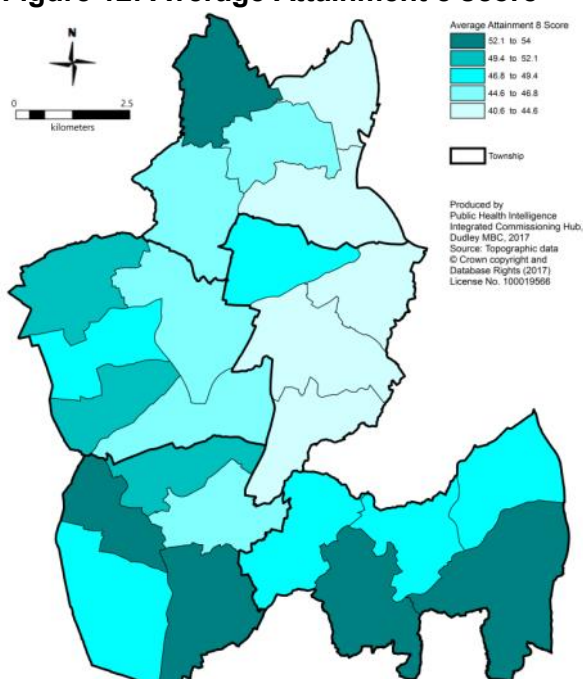
Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level, Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Table 25: The Average Attainment 8 scores at Key Stage 4 in 2016

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Ave Attainment 8 Score
	↑	%
Brierley Hill	697	47.6%
Dudley Central	567	43.3%
Dudley North	669	46.2%
Halesowen	572	49.4%
Stourbridge	586	49.6%
Dudley Borough	3,591	47.6%
England		50.1%

Source: National Consortium for Examination Results, Keyphas for pupil level, Department For Education for national

Figure 12: Average Attainment 8 score



What is this data telling us?

In 2016, Dudley achieved a average attainment score of 47.6%. This is lower than the measure for England. (50.1%)

The lowest performing township was Dudley Central (43.3%) with Stourbridge (49.6%) the highest.

The wards with the highest average attainment 8 scores were Halesowen South (54.0%), Wollaston and Stourbridge Town (52.9%) and Pedmore and Stourbridge East (52.5%).

Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

5.14 Key Stage 4 Attainment - English and Maths Elements

In 2016 a new accountability system for secondary schools was implemented. This introduced the 'Attainment 8' measure which replaced the 5+ A*-C GCSEs including English and Maths. This aims to measure the average achievement of pupils within 8 qualifications which cover 'elements' of English, Maths, Ebacc and Open. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to those of previous years.

Table 26: The average score in English and Maths Elements at Key Stage 4, 2016

Locality	2016			
	English Element		Maths Element	
	All Pupils	Average Attainment Score	All Pupils	Average Attainment Score
Brierley Hill	697	10.1	697	9.2
Dudley Central	567	9.4	567	8.2
Dudley North	669	10.1	669	8.8
Halesowen	572	10.5	572	9.6
Stourbridge	586	10.7	586	9.8
Dudley Borough	3,591	10.2	3,591	9.2
England		10.6		9.8

Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level, Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Figure 13: Average Attainment score in English

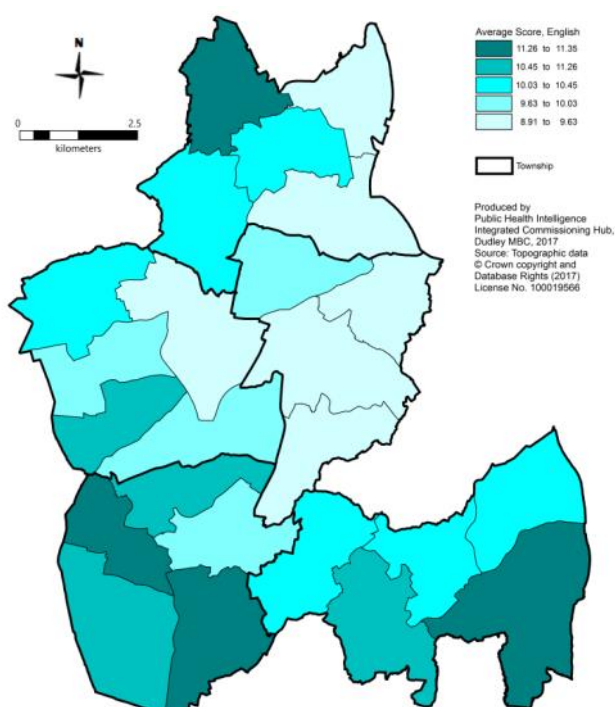
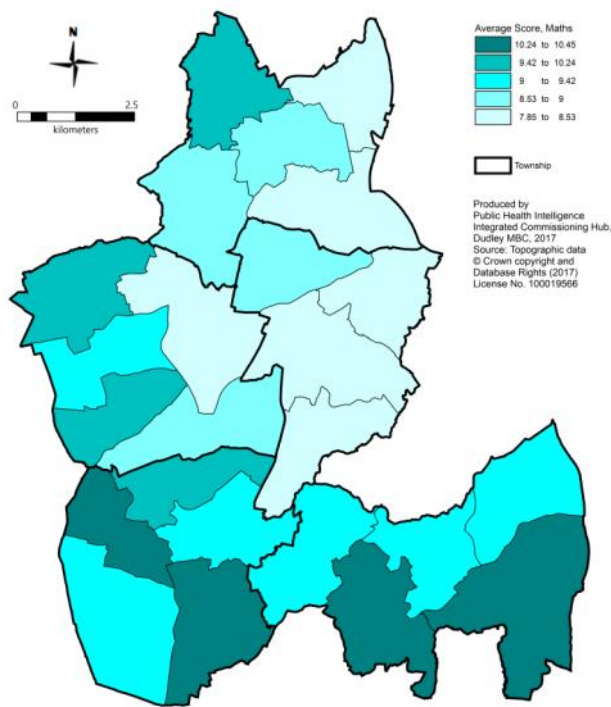


Figure 14: Average Attainment score in Maths



Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, Dudley achieved an average attainment score of 10.2 in English and 9.2 in Maths. Both of these scores are lower than the England average (10.6 in English, 9.8 in Maths).

The highest performing township in both cases was Stourbridge (10.7 in English, 9.8 in Maths).

5.15 Progress in English - Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 4

In 2016 a new accountability system for secondary schools was implemented. This introduced the 'Attainment 8' measure which replaced the 5+ A*-C GCSEs including English and Maths. This aims to measure the average achievement of pupils within 8 qualifications which cover 'elements' of English, Maths, Ebacc and Open. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to those of previous years.

Table 27: Pupils making expected progress in English, KS2 and KS4, 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Expected Progress	All Pupils	Expected Progress	All Pupils	Expected Progress	All Pupils	Expected Progress
	⤴	%	⤴	%	⤴	%	⤴	%
Brierley Hill	698	64.7%	722	72.5%	661	68.2%	667	63.3%
Dudley Central	602	59.2%	608	61.1%	605	65.1%	586	66.8%
Dudley North	529	64.6%	821	63.0%	736	70.7%	717	68.0%
Halesowen	703	80.4%	623	77.1%	624	74.4%	603	73.2%
Stourbridge	606	73.9%	611	69.8%	583	70.4%	572	70.4%
Dudley Borough	3,734	68.1%	3,773	69.9%	3,606	70.4%	3,494	68.4%
England		69.3%		71.7%		73.0%		72.5%

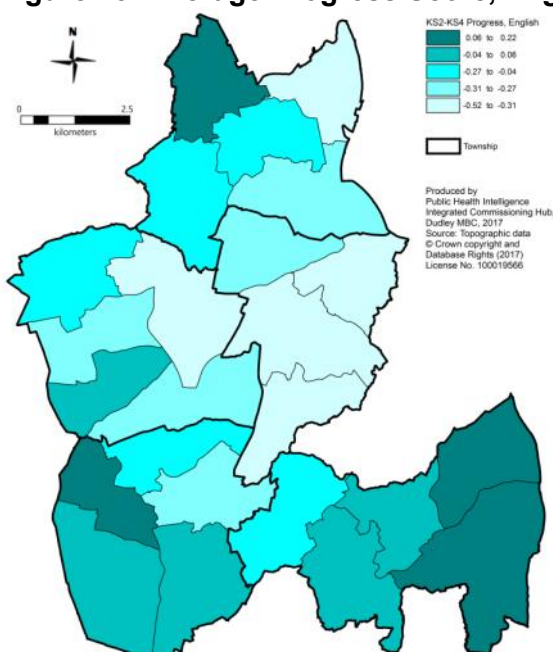
Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level. Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Table 28: Average Progress Score for English at Key Stage 4, 2016.

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Average Progress Score
	⤴	%
Brierley Hill	697	-0.23
Dudley Central	567	-0.38
Dudley North	669	-0.22
Halesowen	572	-0.02
Stourbridge	586	-0.07
Dudley Borough	3,591	-0.18
England		-0.04

Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level. Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Figure 15: Average Progress Score, English



Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, the average progress score for Dudley was -0.18. This is much lower than the score for England (-0.04).

The highest performing township was Halesowen (-0.02) and the lowest was Dudley Central (-0.38).

The wards with the highest average progress scores are Halesowen South (0.22), Halesowen North (0.10) and Sedgley (0.09).

5.16 Progress in Maths - Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 4

In 2016 a new accountability system for secondary schools was implemented. This introduced the 'Attainment 8' measure which replaced the 5+ A*-C GCSEs including English and Maths. This aims to measure the average achievement of pupils within 8 qualifications which cover 'elements' of English, Maths, Ebacc and Open. Consequently, the figures for 2016 are not directly comparable to those of previous years.

Table 29: Pupils making expected progress in Maths, KS2 and KS4, 2012-2015

Locality	2012		2013		2014		2015	
	All Pupils	Expected Progress	All Pupils	Expected Progress	All Pupils	Expected Progress	All Pupils	Expected Progress
	⤴	%	⤴	%	⤴	%	⤴	%
Brierley Hill	698	72.4%	722	72.2%	661	68.6%	667	64.5%
Dudley Central	602	60.3%	608	61.1%	605	47.6%	586	57.2%
Dudley North	529	52.3%	821	63.4%	736	62.3%	717	58.5%
Halesowen	703	62.2%	623	68.2%	624	65.9%	603	60.4%
Stourbridge	606	74.9%	611	67.6%	583	71.1%	572	66.4%
Dudley Borough	3,753	64.4%	3,786	67.9%	3,626	64.6%	3,498	62.0%
England		69.9%		72.0%		66.7%		68.2%

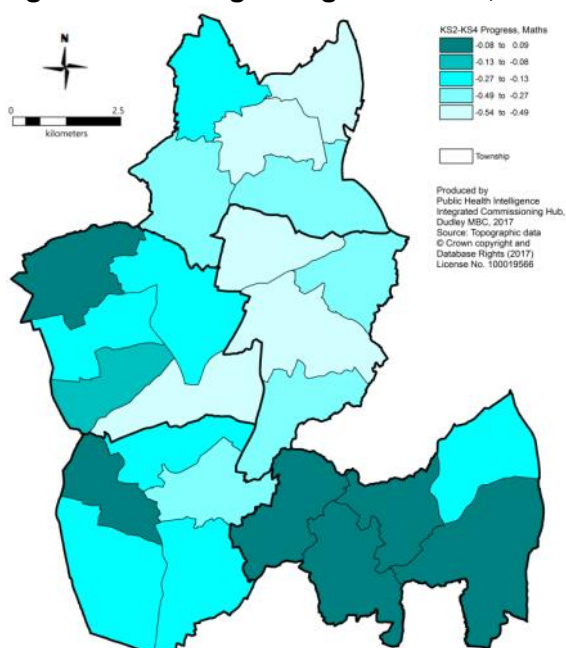
Source: Department for Education, Rev.Performance table data, pupil level. Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Table 30: Average Progress Score for Maths at Key Stage 4, 2016.

Locality	2016	
	All Pupils	Average Progress Score
	⤴	%
Brierley Hill	697	-0.22
Dudley Central	567	-0.51
Dudley North	669	-0.44
Halesowen	572	-0.02
Stourbridge	586	-0.21
Dudley Borough	3,591	-0.28
England		-0.02

Source: Department for Education, Rev.Performance table data, pupil level. Statistical First Release LA Tables, national

Figure 16: Average Progress Score, Maths



Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, the average progress score for Dudley was -0.28. This is much lower than the score for England (-0.02).

The highest performing township was Halesowen (-0.02) and the lowest was Dudley Central (-0.51).

The wards with the highest average progress scores are Halesowen South (0.09), Hayley Green and Cradley South (0.07) and Cradley and Wollescote (0.01).

5.17 Special Education Needs

Table 31: Special Education Needs (SEN) by Pupil by type

	Brierley Hill	Dudley Central	Dudley North	Halesowen	Stourbridge	Dudley Borough
Autistic Spectrum Disorder	85	109	61	71	77	403
Hearing Impairment	39	59	14	32	35	179
Moderate Learning Difficulty	483	839	327	300	298	2,247
Multi - Sensory Impairment	*	5	*	*	*	11
SEN Support but no specialist assessment of type of need	19	45	72	33	25	194
Other Difficulty/Disability	38	68	80	24	16	226
Physical Disability	70	68	64	46	53	301
Profound & Multiple Learning Difficulty	7	14	7	6	8	42
Social, emotional and mental health	220	343	147	145	152	1,007
Speech, Language & Communication Needs	428	595	232	382	304	1,941
Severe Learning Difficulty	18	33	17	19	20	107
Specific Learning Difficulty	107	150	81	121	167	626
Visual Impairment	26	33	6	12	14	91
Total SEN Pupils	1,541	2,361	1,109	1,192	1,172	7,375
% SEN Pupils	17.1%	20.0%	17.5%	14.5%	14.7%	17.0%
Total Pupils	9,018	11,831	6,353	8,220	7,978	43,400

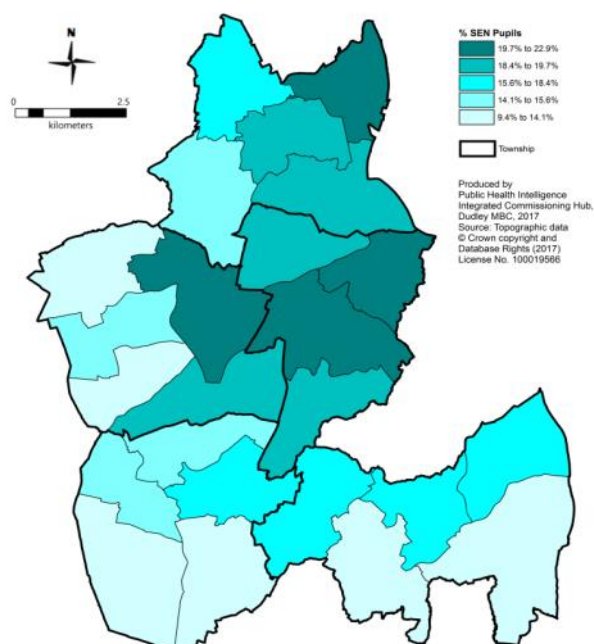
* counts less than 5 have been suppressed. Source: Dudley Council, School Census, January 2017

Table 32: Special Education Needs (SEN) pupils 2016-2017

	2016		2017	
	% SEN	Total Pupils	% SEN	Total Pupils
Brierley Hill	17.1%	8,892	17.1%	9,018
Dudley Central	20.2%	11,862	20.0%	11,831
Dudley North	17.4%	6,421	17.4%	6,353
Halesowen	14.1%	8,254	14.5%	8,220
Stourbridge	14.8%	7,627	14.7%	7,978
Dudley Borough	17.0%	43,056	17.0%	43,400

Source: Dudley Council, School Census, January 2016 and January 2017.

Figure 17: SEN pupils by ward (2017)



Source: Dudley Council, School Census, 2017

What is this data telling us?

In 2017, Dudley had 7,375 SEN pupils, equating to 17.0% of our total pupil base.

The largest need identified was 'Moderate Learning Difficulty' (2,247 pupils) followed by 'Speech, Language & Communication Needs' (1,941 pupils).

In 2017, Dudley Central had the largest number of resident SEN pupils (20.0%).

Halesowen saw a small increase of 0.4ppt in identified SEN during 2017. Conversely, a small reduction was noted in Stourbridge (-0.2ppt) and Dudley Central (-0.2ppt).

5.18 Key Stage 2 Attainment Gaps

Table 33: Attainment gap between the rate of disadvantaged pupils and all other pupils achieving L4+ in Reading, Writing and Maths at the end of Key Stage 2, 2012 to 2015

Locality	% Achieved L4+ Reading, Writing and Maths								Percentage points gap			
	Disadvantaged pupils				Non-disadvantaged pupils							
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2012	2013	2014	2015	2012	2013	2014	2015
Brierley Hill	49.4%	56.2%	66.8%	71.3%	79.7%	82.6%	83.0%	86.4%	-30.3	-26.4	-16.1	-15.1
Dudley Central	57.5%	61.3%	61.7%	68.1%	73.4%	71.3%	78.5%	80.7%	-15.9	-10.0	-16.8	-12.6
Dudley North	51.9%	59.5%	60.6%	68.5%	73.0%	79.1%	84.3%	80.5%	-21.1	-19.6	-23.7	-11.9
Halesowen	62.7%	54.3%	66.5%	76.8%	82.2%	83.3%	85.7%	88.0%	-19.5	-28.9	-19.2	-11.3
Stourbridge	60.0%	67.6%	66.1%	69.3%	84.1%	81.7%	86.0%	86.3%	-24.1	-14.1	-19.9	-16.9
Dudley Borough	56%	60%	65%	70%	79%	80%	84%	85%	-23	-20	-19	-15
England	62%	63%	68%	70%	80%	81%	84%	85%	-18	-18	-16	-15

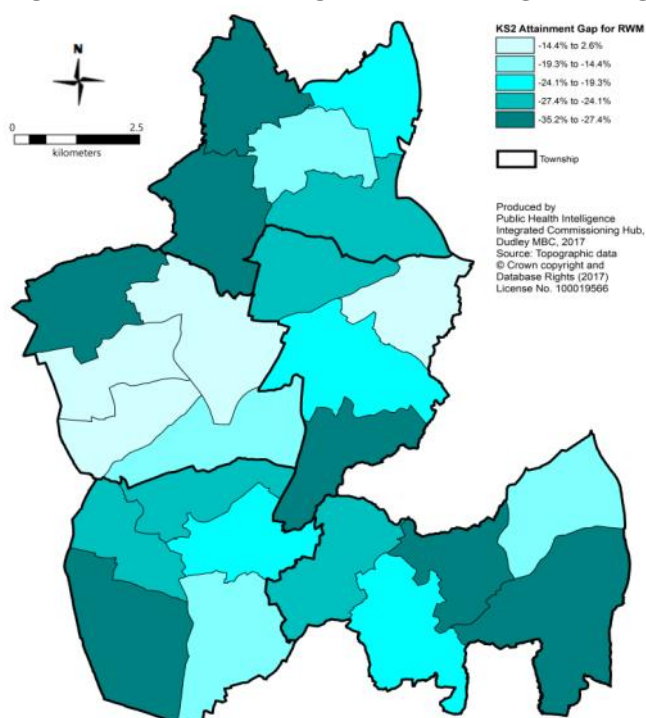
Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level. LA interactive tool (LAIT), national

Table 34: Attainment gap between the rate of disadvantaged pupils and all other pupils achieving the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths at the end of KS2, 2016

Locality	2016 achieved expected standard				Percentage points gap
	Disadvantaged pupils		Non-disadvantaged pupils		
	↑	%	↑	%	%
Brierley Hill	180	39.4%	491	57.0%	-17.6
Dudley Central	317	30.0%	398	52.0%	-22.0
Dudley North	261	26.1%	463	51.8%	-25.8
Halesowen	201	33.8%	452	60.6%	-26.8
Stourbridge	134	32.8%	499	56.7%	-23.9
Dudley Borough	1093	32%	2303	56%	-24
England		39%		61%	-22

Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level. LA interactive tool (LAIT), national

Figure 18: Attainment gap for Reading, Writing and Maths



Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

What is this data telling us?

In 2016, the attainment gap within Dudley between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils was -24ppt. This is a slightly lower than the figure for England (-22ppt).

The township with the narrowest attainment gap is Brierley Hill (-17.6ppt) and the widest is Halesowen (-26.8ppt).

For wards, the narrowest attainment gap was seen in Kingswinford South (+2.5ppt) and the widest in Gornal (-35.2ppt)

Between 2012 and 2015 the attainment gap had narrowed within Dudley at a faster rate than seen nationally.

5.19 Key Stage 4 Attainment Gaps

Table 35: Attainment gap between the rate of disadvantaged pupils and all other pupils achieving 5 or more A*-C GCSEs including English and Maths at the end of KS4, 2012-2015

Locality	% Attaining 5+ A*-C Inc. E&M								Percentage points (ppt) gap			
	Disadvantaged pupils				Non-disadvantaged pupils							
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2012	2013	2014	2015	2012	2013	2014	2015
Brierley Hill	32.1%	40.6%	37.5%	27.0%	69.9%	72.4%	61.3%	62.2%	-37.8	-31.8	-23.8	-35.2
Dudley Central	30.3%	34.4%	28.4%	30.3%	58.9%	63.6%	52.5%	59.1%	-28.5	-29.2	-24.0	-28.8
Dudley North	26.7%	31.7%	28.5%	28.7%	56.7%	65.2%	56.9%	60.9%	-29.9	-33.4	-28.4	-32.2
Halesowen	35.5%	41.4%	31.9%	34.0%	67.3%	72.0%	67.1%	64.9%	-31.9	-30.7	-35.1	-30.9
Stourbridge	34.0%	32.4%	38.7%	31.9%	71.6%	66.6%	68.4%	64.9%	-37.6	-34.2	-29.7	-33.1
Dudley Borough	31.1%	35.1%	31.4%	30.1%	64.2%	68.1%	61.2%	62.3%	-33.1	-33.0	-29.8	-32.2
England	38.6%	41.1%	36.7%	36.8%	66.0%	68.1%	64.2%	65.1%	-27.4	-27.0	-27.5	-28.3

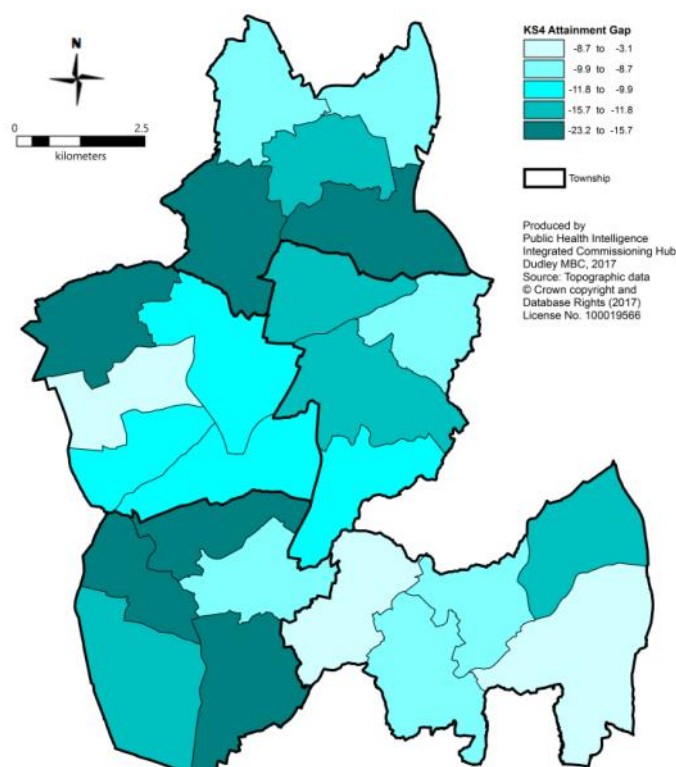
Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level. LA interactive tool (LAIT), national

Table 36: Attainment gap between the Average attainment 8 score for disadvantaged pupils and all other pupils at the end of Key Stage 4, 2016

Locality	2016 average attainment 8 Score				Attainment Gap
	Disadvantaged pupils		Non-disadvantaged pupils		
	⬆	Score	⬆	Score	
Brierley Hill	196	40.0	501	50.6	-10.6
Dudley Central	233	36.3	334	48.1	-11.8
Dudley North	188	36.2	481	50.0	-13.8
Halesowen	151	42.1	421	52.0	-9.9
Stourbridge	112	36.1	474	52.8	-16.7
Dudley Borough	1,030	38.6	2561	51.3	-12.7
England		41.2		53.5	-12.3

Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data, pupil level. LA interactive tool (LAIT), national

Figure 19: Attainment gap for Attainment 8 score at KS4



What is this data telling us?

In 2016, the attainment gap within Dudley between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils was -12.4. This is a marginally wider gap than the figure for England (-12.3).

The township with the narrowest attainment gap is Halesowen (-9.9) and the widest is Stourbridge (-16.7).

For wards, the narrowest attainment gap was seen in Halesowen South (-3.2), Kingswinford South (-5.5) and Cradley and Wollescote (-6.9).

Between 2012 and 2015 the attainment gap had narrowed overall within Dudley, despite an increase in 2015. Nationally during this period the attainment gap had widened overall.

Source: Department for Education, Rev. Performance table data

5.20 Population Qualifications

Table 37: Highest level of qualification by locality

Locality	None	Level 1	Level 2	Apprentice-ship	Level 3	Level 4 and above	Other	All Residents 16+
Brierley Hill	29.8%	14.6%	17.2%	3.8%	11.9%	18.3%	4.3%	52,771
Dudley Central	35.1%	15.1%	16.2%	2.8%	10.7%	14.6%	5.5%	44,719
Dudley North	33.3%	14.4%	16.7%	3.8%	11.6%	16.0%	4.3%	52,693
Halesowen	27.5%	14.3%	16.6%	3.7%	12.4%	21.2%	4.2%	51,462
Stourbridge	24.8%	13.2%	16.8%	3.4%	12.6%	25.2%	4.0%	51,776
Dudley Borough	30.0%	14.3%	16.7%	3.5%	11.9%	19.2%	4.4%	253,421
England	22.5%	13.3%	15.2%	3.6%	12.4%	27.4%	5.7%	

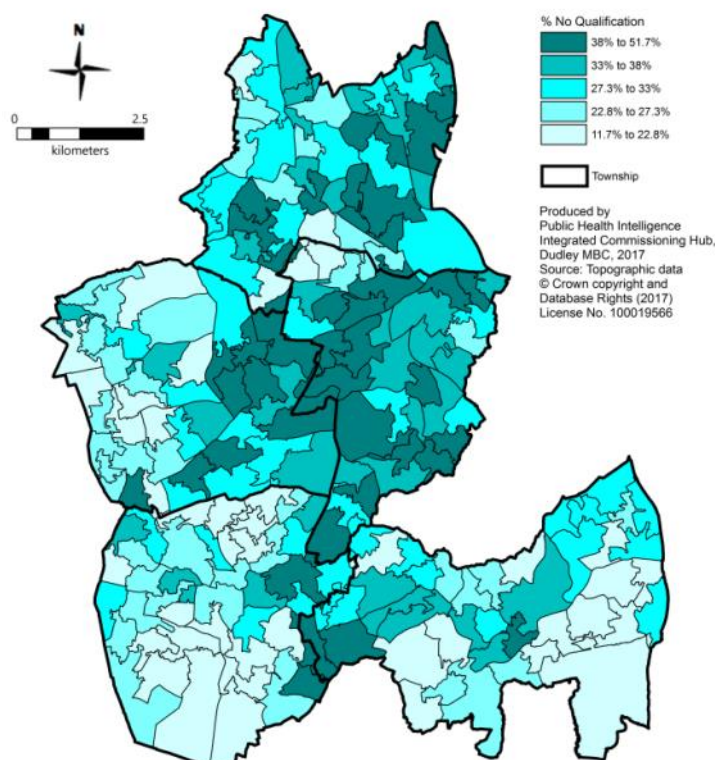
Source: Office for National Statistics, 2011 Census, LC5102

Table 38: Highest level of qualification by age for Dudley

Age	None	Level 1	Level 2	Apprentice-ship	Level 3	Level 4 and above	Other	All Residents 16+
16-24	13.1%	20.3%	30.1%	3.7%	20.5%	10.5%	1.7%	33,840
25-34	12.2%	14.6%	19.7%	1.8%	18.1%	29.7%	3.8%	36,971
35-49	16.2%	20.7%	19.6%	2.3%	13.1%	24.4%	3.7%	66,894
50-64	32.5%	12.6%	14.0%	5.1%	9.5%	20.2%	6.2%	57,519
65+	64.5%	5.0%	6.4%	4.4%	3.8%	10.5%	5.5%	58,197
All Ages	30.0%	14.3%	16.7%	3.5%	11.9%	19.2%	4.4%	253,421

Source: Office for National Statistics, 2011 Census, LC5102

Figure 20: Population with no qualifications



Source: Office for National Statistics, 2011 Census, LC5102

What is this data telling us?

In the latest census year (2011), 30.0% of all Dudley residents had no qualifications. This is higher than the figure for England (22.5%).

Stourbridge had the lowest percentage of residents with no qualifications (24.8%) and Dudley Central had the highest (35.1%).

Dudley has a greater percentage of residents with Level 1 and 2 qualifications than the national figures. However, Dudley has a notably much smaller percentage (19.2%) of residents holding a Level 4 qualification compared to England overall (27.4%).

The age group that primarily holds no qualifications is age 65+ (64.5%). This percentage falls to roughly half at the next age group, 50-64 (32.5%). All other age groups are broadly comparable when looking at the percentage with no qualifications.

5.21 School Absence

Table 39: Absence for pupils resident in Dudley

		Dudley	England
Primary school	Authorised Absence	2.8%	3.1%
	Unauthorised absence	1.3%	0.9%
	Persistent absentees ¹	8.5%	8.2%
	Total pupils enrolled	22,820	
Secondary schools	Authorised Absence	3.7%	3.8%
	Unauthorised absence	1.8%	1.4%
	Persistent absentees ¹	14.6%	13.1%
	Total pupils enrolled	17,392	
Special schools	Authorised Absence	6.0%	7.4%
	Unauthorised absence	1.6%	1.7%
	Persistent absentees ¹	23.5%	26.9%
	Total pupils enrolled	680	
All schools	Authorised Absence	3.3%	3.4%
	Unauthorised absence	1.5%	1.1%
	Persistent absentees ¹	11.3%	10.5%
	Total pupils enrolled	40,892	

¹ From 2015/16 persistent absence is defined as missing 10% or more of possible sessions

Source: Department for Education, Pupil absence in schools in England, Local Authority tables, 2015/16

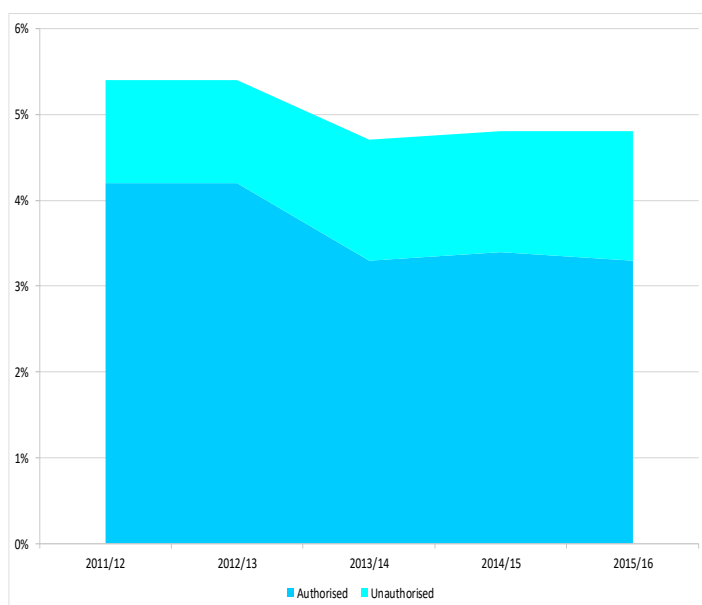
Table 40: Trends in Pupil Absence

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Authorised	4.2%	4.2%	3.3%	3.4%	3.3%
Unauthorised	1.2%	1.2%	1.4%	1.4%	1.5%
Total absence	5.3%	5.3%	4.7%	4.8%	4.7%
Persistent Absentees ²	6.2%	4.6%	4.1%	4.4%	11.3%
Total pupils enrolled	40,950	42,484	40,580	41,275	40,892

² This sharp increase is a result of a change in the definition of persistent absenteeism as described in ¹, not true change

Source: Department for Education, Pupil absence in schools in England, Local Authority tables, 2011/12 - 2015/16

Figure 21: Total Absence 2011/12 - 2015/16



Source: Department for Education, Pupil absence in schools in England, Local Authority tables, 2011/12 - 2015/16

What is this data telling us?

In 2015/16, absence within Dudley schools (excluding special schools) was slightly higher than the measure for England. Conversely, Dudley's special schools had higher attendance (23.5%) than the national figure (26.9%)

From 2011/12 to 2015/16 total absence within Dudley schools has decreased from 5.3% to 4.7%. This is mostly accounted for by a reduction in authorised absence.

Despite a reduction in overall absence, unauthorised absence has increased slightly since 2011/12 (1.2%) to 2015/16 (1.5%).