Westminster City Council Facts and Figures

Updated June 2025

Demography

Westminster Population **211,508**

51% females | **49%** males

Births and Deaths

1,955 births | **1,059** deaths 2023

Non-UK passport holders **34%**

Top 5 non-UK nationalities & languages

1. USA
2. Italy
3. France
4. India
5. Spain

Top 5 translation requests

1. Arabic
2. Farsi
3. Amharic
4. Spanish
5. Russian

About the council

Satisfaction with the council **86%** 2024

Residents feel they are well informed **84%**

Residents feel they are involved **58%** 2024

Pay gap*

3% Gender

11% Ethnicity 2024

Migration

Inflow **33,393** | Outflow **32,679** 2023

Education

People with no qualifications **12.9%** 2021

NEETs

Not in education, employment and training ages 16 and 17 **2.9%**

33 Independent schools

37 Local authority maintained schools

20 Academies 2023

Westminster Businesses

53k businesses 2023

789k jobs 2022

Top industries

1. **Professional, scientific & technical**
2. **Accommodation & food services**
3. **Public administration & defence**
4. **Information & communication**
5. **Wholesale & retail trade**

2023

Economy

GVA current price **94.8bn** 2023

Economically Inactive **23.1%** Ages 16 - 64 Jan24 - Dec 24

Employment Rate **75.1%**

Night Workers **78k**

Median Household Income **£54,211** 2024

Business Rates Collected **£2.1bn**

Unemployment Rate **5%** 2023

After dark average visitors per hour **1125**

Tourism & Travel

Most popular attractions 2017 - 2019

1. National Gallery (2.7m)
2. Somerset House (2.4m)
3. Westminster Abbey (1.06m
4. ZSL London (1.05m)
5. Tate Britain (913k)

Average daily travel wc/29 April 2024

1. Tourist - 545k
2. Shopping - 436k
3. Terminus - 380k

Where people visit from (top tourism countries) 2022

1. USA
2. France
3. Germany
4. Italy
5. Spain

Yearly visitor expenditure **1.7 bn**

Average spend per visitor **£68** 2017 - 2019

Average yearly visitors **25m**

HOUSING

£957,576 average property price Jan 2024

36 residential types

Other Public Sector Provider: 1.0 %
Westminster Local Authority: 9.0 %
Social Providers: 12.0 %
Private Sector: 78.0 %

Planning

36 major applications April 2023-March 2024

2,785 residential units completed 2019-2023

1,932 minor applications

20% of them are affordable

Deprivation

14% All IMD* 2019

23% Children IDACI* 2019

39% Older people IDAOPI* 2019

Vulnerable People

19.8k families LIFT* April 2025

3.1k females | **3.7k** males claimant count April 2025

Working age people aged 16-64

388 rough sleepers Autumn 2024

Environment

Public Open Spaces **92** 2024

Greenhouse gas emission % reduction **7.2%** 2021/22

Recycling Rate **24.6%** 2022/23

Electric vehicle charging points **2,693** April 2024

Transport

2.2m Vehicles using Westminster major or minor roads 2022

How residents made their trips: 2022/23

1. Walking (50.3%)
2. Car/Motorcycle (16.7%)
3. Cycling (4.8%)

Wellbeing

2024

Anxiety **17%** have medium or high anxiety

Safety **97%** of residents are generally feeling safe where they live

89% of residents have high or very high life satisfaction

Waste Management

Weekly waste and recycling collections **1m+**

Tonnes of waste handled (2023/24) **181,597**

Number of waste trucks at busiest times **25**

Number of truck load collections **181,159** average 10 tonne payload

Max number of waste bins emptied every day (summers in Oxford Street) **52**

Average tonnes of waste handled per day **496**

Daily pavement cleaned **1000km+** 2024

Crime Rates

29.5 *per 1,000 pop

Most affected wards *hover over a bubble to see specific figures January 2024

Crime Count **8,177** total crimes

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Acronyms

*IMD = Index of Multiple Deprivation
*IDACI = Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index
*IDAOPI = Income Deprivation Affecting Older People Index
*LIFT = Low Income Families Together

Explanation

Gender Pay Gap = the difference between women's pay and men's pay as a percentage of men's pay

Ethnicity Pay Gap = the difference between Ethnicity and white employees pay as a percentage of white employees' pay

Westminster City Council

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