Short-Term Residents Analysis

Introduction

This report displays key findings from Census tables AP1101EW, AP1201EW and AP1601EW - which provide 5-year age group data by sex, country of birth and economic activity data respectively for non-UK born short-term residents (STRs). The official ONS definition of an STR is a resident born outside the UK who has stayed or intends to stay in the UK for a period of three months or more but less than 12 months.

Analysis has been undertaken for Royal Borough of Greenwich, drawing comparison with the wider London context.

Key Findings

- At Census day 2011, there were 68,992 short-term residents recorded as living in London, of which 1,689 people were living in the Royal Borough of Greenwich, accounting for 2.4% of the London total.
- This ranks the Royal Borough 16th in terms of the number of STRs living within London boroughs.
- For context, the London Borough of Westminster had the highest number of STRs with 6,920 people (10%), the London Borough of Camden with 4,997 STRs (7.2%) and the London Borough of Tower Hamlets with 4,187 (6.1%). On the other end of the scale, the London Borough of Havering ranked bottom with 193 STRs (0.3%).
- The Royal Borough ranked 3rd for the largest number of STRs born in Africa (298). Of this, 214 were born in Nigeria, accounting for 71.8% of this figure.
- 234 STRs were born in China accounting for the largest proportion (13.8%) of the total STRs within the Royal Borough.
- Over half (52%) of STRs within the Royal Borough in 2011 were students.



Population Structure

Of the 1,689 STRs that were recorded as living within the Royal Borough of Greenwich as part of the 2011 Census, 1,532 people (90.7%) were aged between 15 and 64. A similar picture is seen at the London level, with the same age cohort accounting for 91% of the total STR population.

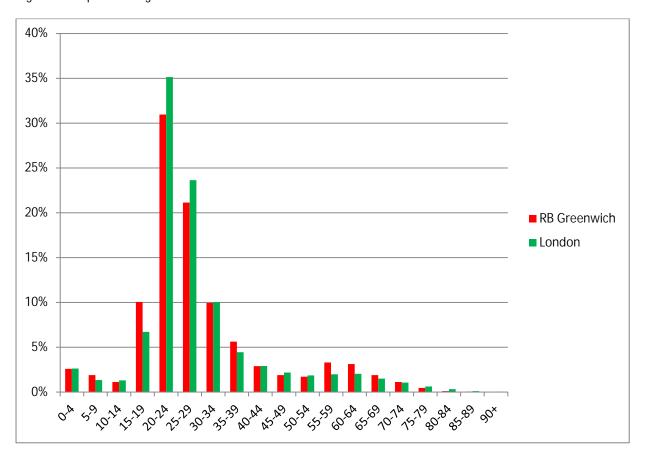


Figure 1: Population age structure of STRs

Source: ONS Census (2011) Table AP1101EW Sex by 5-year age group (non-UK born short-term residents)

Figure 1 shows that within the Royal Borough, those aged 20-29 accounted for over half of the total STR population (52.1%). Compared to London however, this same age group accounts for 58.8% of STRs. 5.6% of the Royal Borough's STRs were children aged 0-14 and the population aged 65+ accounted for 3.7%. This picture is mirrored at the London level, with 5.3% and 3.7% respectively.



Figure 2: Male and female STRs age structure comparison

Source: ONS Census (2011) Table AP1101EW Sex by 5-year age group (non-UK born short-term residents)

Figure 2 shows the population age structure of both male and female STRs living within the Royal Borough, recorded in the 2011 Census. It can be seen that generally, that there is a slightly heavier weighting of younger male STRs in the age 25-39 age group, whereas a heavier female weighting is apparent in the older 50-69 age group.



Country of Birth

The majority of STRs recorded as living within the Royal Borough of Greenwich were born in the Middle East or Asia (38.4%). This is followed by those born in the European Union (EU) which accounted for just under a third (31.9%). 17.8% of STRs were born in Africa, 10.6% higher than the London average, whereas only 4.6% were born in the Americas and the Caribbean, compared to 13.5% at the London level.

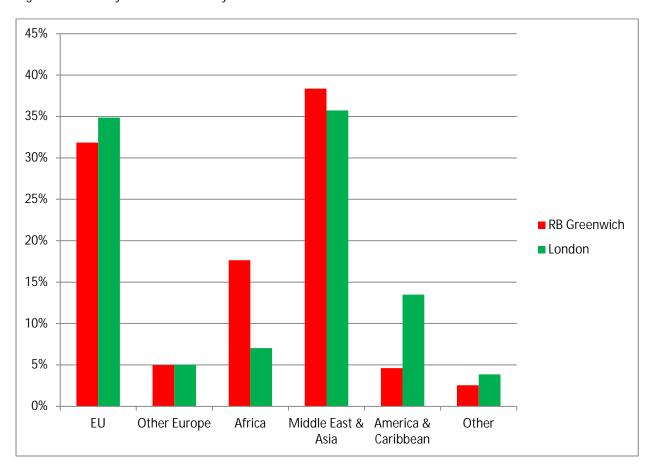


Figure 3: Country of birth summary

Source: ONS Census (2011) Table AP1201EW Country of birth (non-UK-born short-term residents)

When scrutinising this data further, it can be seen which individual countries yield the highest STRs that were living within the Royal Borough. Table 1 (below) outlines the five countries from which the largest numbers of STRs recorded as their country of birth.



Table 1: Ranked STR countries of birth

Rank	Country	Number	Proportion
1	China	234	13.9%
2	Nigeria	214	12.7%
3	France	128	7.6%
4	Other EU Accession Countries ¹	106	6.3%
5	Other Southern Asian	94	5.6%

Source: ONS Census (2011) Table AP1201EW Country of birth (non-UK-born short-term residents)

With regards to the wider London context, the largest numbers of STRs arrived from India, accounting for 10.4% (7,186 STRs). This was followed by 5,072 from the United States (7.4%), 4,084 from France (5.9%) and 3,599 from China (5.2%).

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 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Other EU Accession Countries excluding Lithuania, Poland and Romania

Economic Activity

Of the 1,588 STRs aged 16+ living within the Royal Borough of Greenwich, over half were recorded as students (52%), 4.2% higher than the London average (47.8%). Almost a quarter (23.4%) were in employment, 8.3% lower than the London average (31.7%), and almost another quarter (24.6%) were classified as 'Other', compared to London's 20.4%. This category includes STRs who were not working or were retired.

Figure 4: Economic activity summary



Source: ONS Census (2011) Table AP1601EW Economic activity (non-UK-born short-term residents)



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30%

20%

10%