Tyne & Wear Population up very strong 0.9% in 2005

The population of the UK passed 60m for the first time in 2005. The 0.6% rise (375,000) on a year earlier is the biggest annual rise in numbers since 1962. The main driver was much bigger net international migration which rose from 167,000 in 2003-04 to 235,000 in 2004-05. This was the highest level since estimates of Total International Migration were first produced on the current basis in 1991. In-migration into the UK was around 59,000 more than in the previous mid-year period, a rise of 11%, and out-migration from the UK fell 8,000 (2%).

The increase in in-migration was mainly associated with EU enlargement to the EU of 25. In 2004-05, the first full year of membership of these accession countries, net migration of citizens from these countries was 74,000, compared to 10,000 in 2003-04.

The other major factor in population increase in 2005 was due to natural change. This increased from 104,000 in 2003-04 to 127,000 in 2004-05, as there were 10,000 more births and 12,000 fewer deaths in 2004-05 than in 2003-04.

At a regional level the population of the North East grew by 0.5% (13,200).

2004-2005 Mid-Year Population Estimates*, % Change

	2004	2005	2004-05 Difference	2004-05 % Difference
England & Wales	53,045,600	53,390,200	344,600	0.6
England	50,093,100	50,431,700	338,600	0.7
North East	2,545,100	2,558,300	13,200	0.5
Tyne & Wear	1,085,600	1,095,200	9,600	0.9
Gateshead	191,300	191,500	200	0.1
Newcastle upon Tyne	269,500	276,400	6,900	2.6
North Tyneside	190,700	192,300	1,600	0.8
South Tyneside	151,500	151,300	-200	-0.1
Sunderland	282,700	283,700	1,000	0.4

Source: Office for National Statistics (released August 2006)

(*Note: population estimates include only people arriving or leaving for periods of a year or more. They do not include short-term migrants who stay in the UK for less than a year.)

In Tyne & Wear, the population grew by 0.9% (9,600). ONS reckons that about two-thirds was in Newcastle, up 6,900 or 2.6%. South Tyneside was the only district to experience population decline over the year to mid-2005.

Crime and Disorder data supply

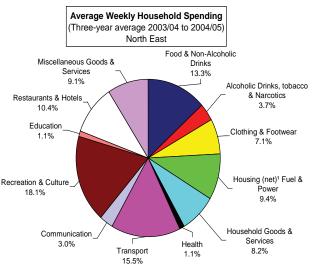
Agreement has been reached with Northumbria Police to supply Crime, Arrests, Incidents, Victim and Offender data on a monthly basis. It is anticipated that this will commence with the receipt of July and August 2006 data in mid September. Thereafter, data will be

received mid month for the preceding month. **TWRI** have implemented procedures to upload monthly data to the Safer Sunderland Partnership (SSP) through their CyberArk Digital Vault. The digital vault secures data with multiple layers of security including



encryption, firewall, authentication, access control and auditing.

Household Income & Expenditure 2005



Source: Family Expenditure Survey 2004/05 (Crown Copyright)

TWRI's recently published 'Household Income & Expenditure 2005' report reviews evidence from seven indicators of income. It particularly uses the ONS Expenditure & Food Survey to analyse the composition of spending in the NE. NE gross income, per household, averaged £454 gross per week (or £23,600pa) in 2004/05. Low incomes in the NE are a function of low employment rates (TW is about 5 percentage points below the UK) and also low earnings (10% below the GB average in TW, 13% in NE). ONS' latest ward-level estimates of household income are presented (for 2001/02). The highest average gross household incomes were in South Gosforth (Nc) £680, Cleadon & E. Boldon (ST) £580 and

St Mary's (NT) £570. The lowest gross household incomes were in Monkchester (Nc) £280 and West City (Nc) £280 and Rekendyke (ST) £290.

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Area Profiler/Instant Atlas latest update

Annual Crime data and Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents for 2005-06 together with those for the April-June 2006 Quarter have been loaded on to Area Profiler for all geographies.

North Tyneside child strategy and education forum boundaries have been added to Area Profiler and it is anticipated data to support the 'Every Child Matters' initiative will be uploaded soon. Access is restricted to officers at North Tyneside council.

New functionality and enhancements, including those identified at the Area Profiler Workshop in January 2006, are currently being finalised. It is anticipated development work will commence in the next few months.

The new version of Instant Atlas has now been installed and is accessible through our website. Crime for 2005 – 06 and Unemployment for August 2006 has been uploaded at Ward level.



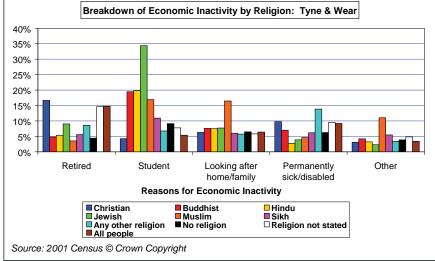
RSS Panel Report Published

The Panel, which heard the Examination in Public (EiP) on the draft Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS), published its report at the end of July. The Panel report is large (200pp). It largely accepts the case made by the NE Assembly for the majority of the draft policies. Tyne & Wear Local Authorities made a joint case to the Panel. In the Panel's recommended modifications to the RSS Submission Draft, all the Tyne & Wear Districts had their housing allocation increased, with the exception of Gateshead.

Ethnicity & Religion in Tyne & Wear 2001 Census Topic Report

TWRI has now published its latest CTR on Ethnicity & Religion in TW. This report presents data from Census 2001 on the characteristics of ethnic and religious groups in Tyne & Wear, drawing comparisons with the overall population. Key characteristics of ethnic and religious groups considered include economic activity, employment and unemployment, qualifications

and occupations and tenure and household composition. Key findings on ethnicity show that ethnic minorities are generally i) better qualified than the overall population, ii) much more entrepreneurial, with high rates of self-employment, iii) three times more likely than overall to use private rented tenure and iv) less than half as likely as overall to own their own home outright.



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Domestic Migration

TWRI has produced a large Excel workbook containing 27 matrix tables of origin / destination migration flows based on the Special Migration Statistics (SMS) tables from the 2001 Census. (This workbook CTR replaces TWRI's usual written report on CTR topics.) Issues covered in the tables include migration flows of the following: total migrants (gross and net), selected age bands (0-15, 16-59/64 and 60/65+), household characteristics. economically active migrants, tenure (both for 'wholly moving households' and 'other moving groups') and 20-24 year-olds (which can be used as a 'proxy' measure for students). Migration flows are considered at local authority district level and Tyne & Wear 'migration zone' level (an aggregation of around 5 wards).

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Monthly Unemployment Report

The new format 'Unemployment in Tyne & Wear' report includes:

- Seasonally adjusted claimant count figures
- Unadjusted claimant count figures
- Benefit claimants
- ILO unemployment
- Claimant count statistics for current (2004) wards

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