

# Basic facts about St Albans broken down by Ward



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This report provides a summary of the latest available information on the demographic and socio-economic make-up of the 20 wards in St Albans. It looks at the population structure and provides information on the economic, housing and educational achievement of each ward.

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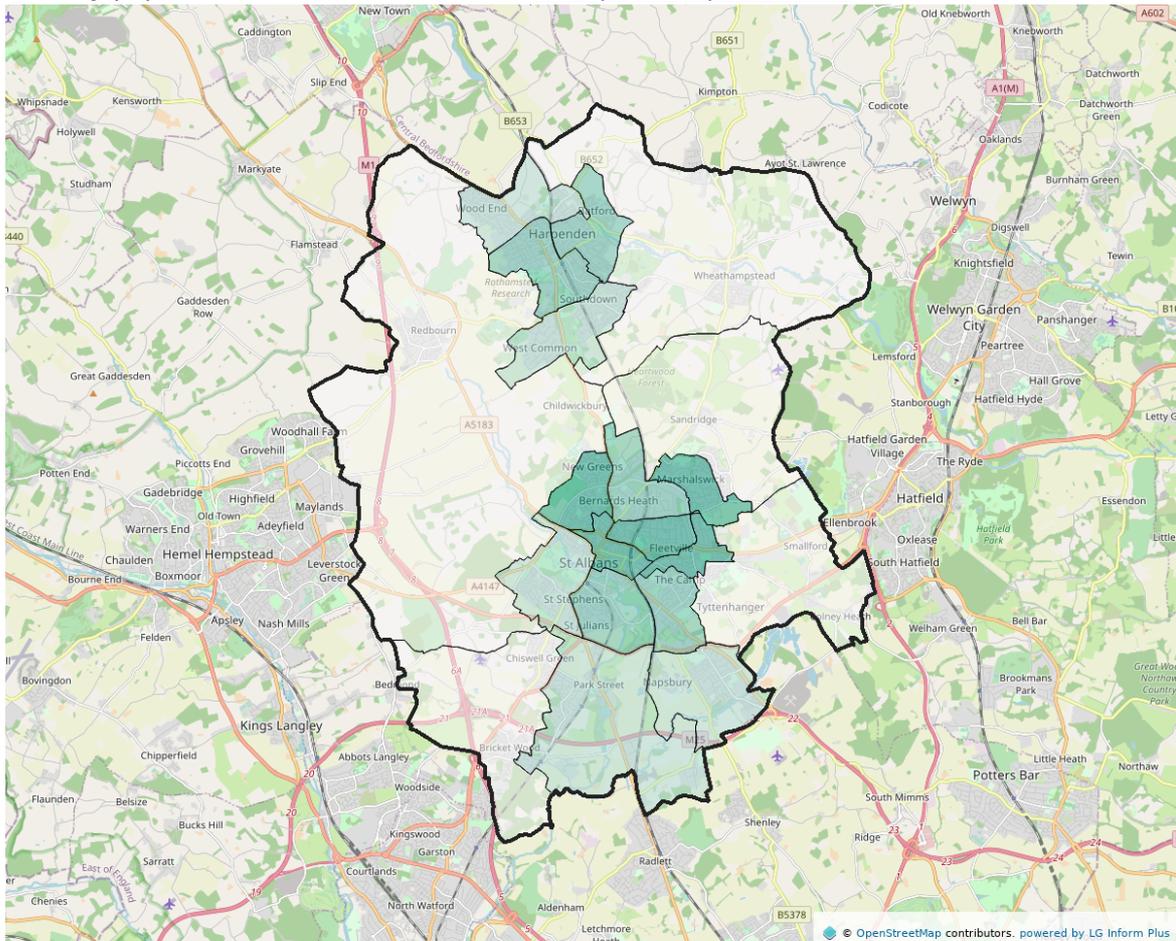
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## Geography and population

Here is a breakdown of St Albans giving the area, population size and gender split of each ward.

The total area of St Albans district is [16,120.58 hectares](#). The ward with the largest area is Redbourn, representing 30.71% of the total area of all Wards in the district.

The most densely populated ward is St Peters with [70.75 persons per hectare](#), the least densely populated ward is Redbourn with [1.29 persons per hectare](#).



### Population density (2019)

- $\geq 31.11 \leq 70.75$  persons per hectare
- $\geq 24.43 < 31.11$  persons per hectare
- $\geq 6.31 < 24.43$  persons per hectare
- $\geq 1.29 < 6.31$  persons per hectare

The total resident population of St Albans in 2019 was [148,452](#). By 2039 the population in St Albans is projected to be [177,653](#). The ward with the largest population is London Colney, representing 6.55% of the total population of all wards in St Albans.

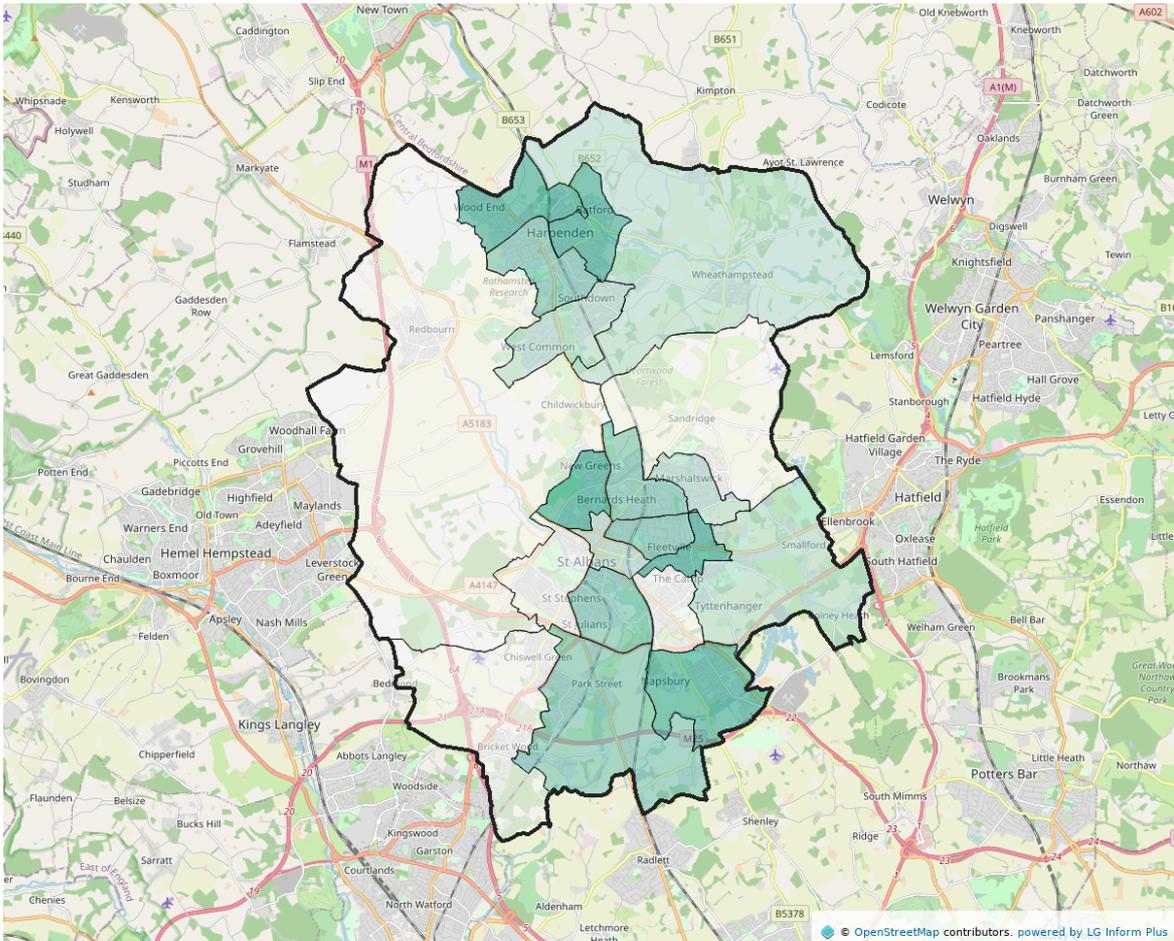
	Geographical area, land only measurements	Total population	Total female population	Total male population
	2019	2019	2019	2019
	Hectares	People	People	People
<b>Ashley</b>	127.81	8,539	4,275	4,264
<b>Batchwood</b>	214.86	7,788	4,005	3,783
<b>Clarence</b>	159.85	7,661	3,931	3,730
<b>Colney Heath</b>	1,120.23	6,418	3,187	3,231
<b>Cunningham</b>	236.15	6,990	3,566	3,424
<b>Harpenden East</b>	265.93	7,968	4,114	3,854
<b>Harpenden North</b>	330.07	7,931	4,118	3,813
<b>Harpenden South</b>	374.89	6,752	3,441	3,311
<b>Harpenden West</b>	310.30	8,143	4,186	3,957
<b>London Colney</b>	513.19	9,728	4,989	4,739
<b>Marshalswick North</b>	195.23	6,748	3,440	3,308
<b>Marshalswick South</b>	276.28	7,511	3,847	3,664
<b>Park Street</b>	1,191.30	7,715	3,883	3,832
<b>Redbourn</b>	4,950.92	6,403	3,308	3,095
<b>Sandridge</b>	1,323.50	4,994	2,549	2,445
<b>Sopwell</b>	305.23	7,579	3,867	3,712
<b>St Peters</b>	128.41	9,085	4,391	4,694
<b>St Stephen</b>	1,138.80	6,606	3,368	3,238
<b>Verulam</b>	362.07	7,357	3,795	3,562
<b>Wheathampstead</b>	2,595.56	6,536	3,420	3,116

## Age

This table gives a broad age breakdown by ward in St Albans. Harpenden East ward has the highest proportion of the population who are in the 0-15 age group, which represents 6.04% of the total population within the ward.

St Stephen ward has the highest number of people aged 65 and over representing 7.64% of the total population of the Ward.

	<b>Population aged 0-15</b>	<b>Population aged 16-64</b>	<b>Population aged 65 and over (count)</b>
	<b>2019</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>People</b>	<b>People</b>	<b>People</b>
<b>Ashley</b>	2,041	5,490	1,008
<b>Batchwood</b>	1,992	4,800	996
<b>Clarence</b>	1,752	4,987	922
<b>Colney Heath</b>	1,418	4,092	908
<b>Cunningham</b>	1,538	4,273	1,179
<b>Harpenden East</b>	2,152	4,608	1,208
<b>Harpenden North</b>	2,075	4,607	1,249
<b>Harpenden South</b>	1,473	3,792	1,487
<b>Harpenden West</b>	1,926	4,623	1,594
<b>London Colney</b>	2,018	6,259	1,451
<b>Marshalswick North</b>	1,558	3,931	1,259
<b>Marshalswick South</b>	1,842	4,560	1,109
<b>Park Street</b>	1,517	4,528	1,670
<b>Redbourn</b>	1,353	3,586	1,464
<b>Sandridge</b>	950	3,053	991
<b>Sopwell</b>	1,782	4,758	1,039
<b>St Peters</b>	1,716	6,517	852
<b>St Stephen</b>	1,202	3,642	1,762
<b>Verulam</b>	1,490	4,001	1,866
<b>Wheathampstead</b>	1,476	3,639	1,421



**Dependent children: All ages (2011)**

- $\geq 1,065 \leq 1,336$
- $\geq 925 < 1,065$
- $\geq 814 < 925$
- $\geq 611 < 814$

This map shows numbers of households with dependent children for all Wards in St Albans.

London Colney is the ward with the highest number of households ([1,336](#)) with dependent children in the district and Sandridge is the ward with the lowest number of households with dependent children ([611](#)).

**Ethnicity**

This table shows the ethnic mix of each ward in St Albans. London Colney ward has the highest number of Asian / Asian British residents in the ward.

Sopwell ward has the highest number of Black / African / Caribbean /Black British residents in St Albans.

	<b>Resi- dents who are White</b>	<b>Residents who are Mixed/multi- ple ethnic groups</b>	<b>Residents who are Asian/Asian British</b>	<b>Residents who are Black/African/ Caribbean/Black British</b>	<b>Residents who are Other ethnic group</b>
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2011</b>
	<b>People</b>	<b>People</b>	<b>People</b>	<b>People</b>	<b>People</b>
<b>Ashley</b>	6,366	275	980	171	100
<b>Batchwood</b>	6,483	281	671	182	86
<b>Clarence</b>	6,038	228	474	110	35
<b>Colney Heath</b>	5,191	210	396	120	45
<b>Cunningham</b>	5,217	243	861	192	101
<b>Harpenden East</b>	7,131	213	194	112	41
<b>Harpenden North</b>	6,677	175	245	100	42
<b>Harpenden South</b>	6,291	110	304	53	17
<b>Harpenden West</b>	7,304	142	237	40	20
<b>London Col- ney</b>	7,581	453	1,096	231	146
<b>Marshal- swick North</b>	5,849	167	350	110	21
<b>Marshal- swick South</b>	6,549	202	454	107	26
<b>Park Street</b>	6,645	183	349	132	53
<b>Redbourn</b>	5,921	96	150	37	22
<b>Sandridge</b>	4,671	91	133	46	13
<b>Sopwell</b>	5,799	253	947	282	76
<b>St Peters</b>	6,627	219	524	163	69
<b>St Stephen</b>	5,910	129	358	76	30
<b>Verulam</b>	5,993	127	208	52	24
<b>Wheathamp- stead</b>	6,137	107	80	72	14

## Housing

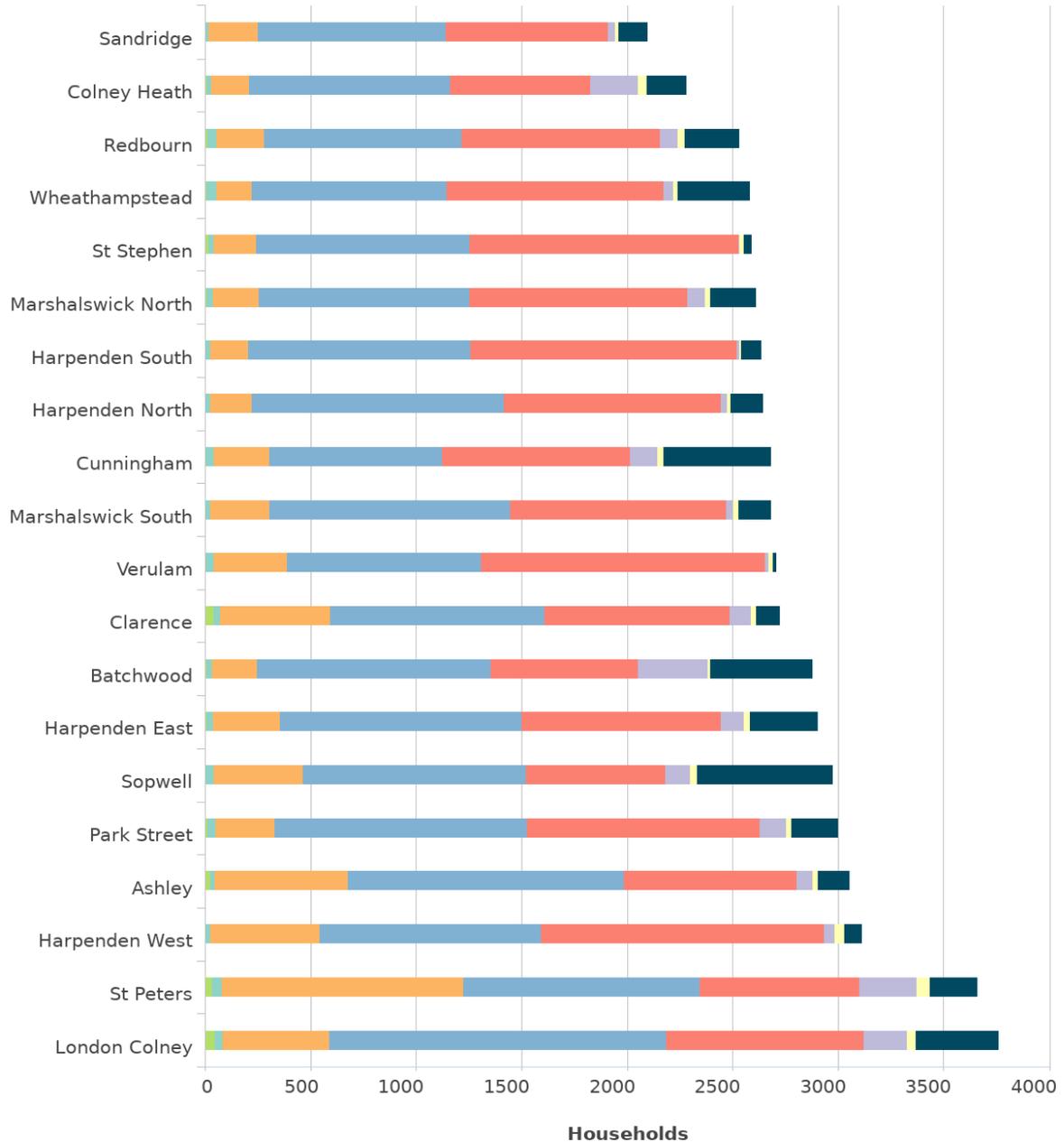
In 2011 there were [56,140](#) households in St Albans and this chart shows the households of each ward in St Albans broken down by tenure. Sopwell ward has [643](#) households rented from the council, which is the highest number for any ward in St Albans.

Batchwood ward has [330](#) households of other types of social renting, which is the highest number for any ward in St Albans.

NOTE: If the district you are reporting on has more than 30 wards the chart will show the 30 with the highest total number of households.

### Households by tenure (count) (Count) (2011) for Wards of St Albans (District)

source: Census 2011



- Households rented from council or equivalent, 2011
- Households rented from other private owners, 2011
- Households rented from other social landlords, 2011
- Households owned outright, 2011
- Households owned with a mortgage or loan, 2011
- Households rented from private landlord or letting agency, 2011
- Households in shared ownership, 2011

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## Employment

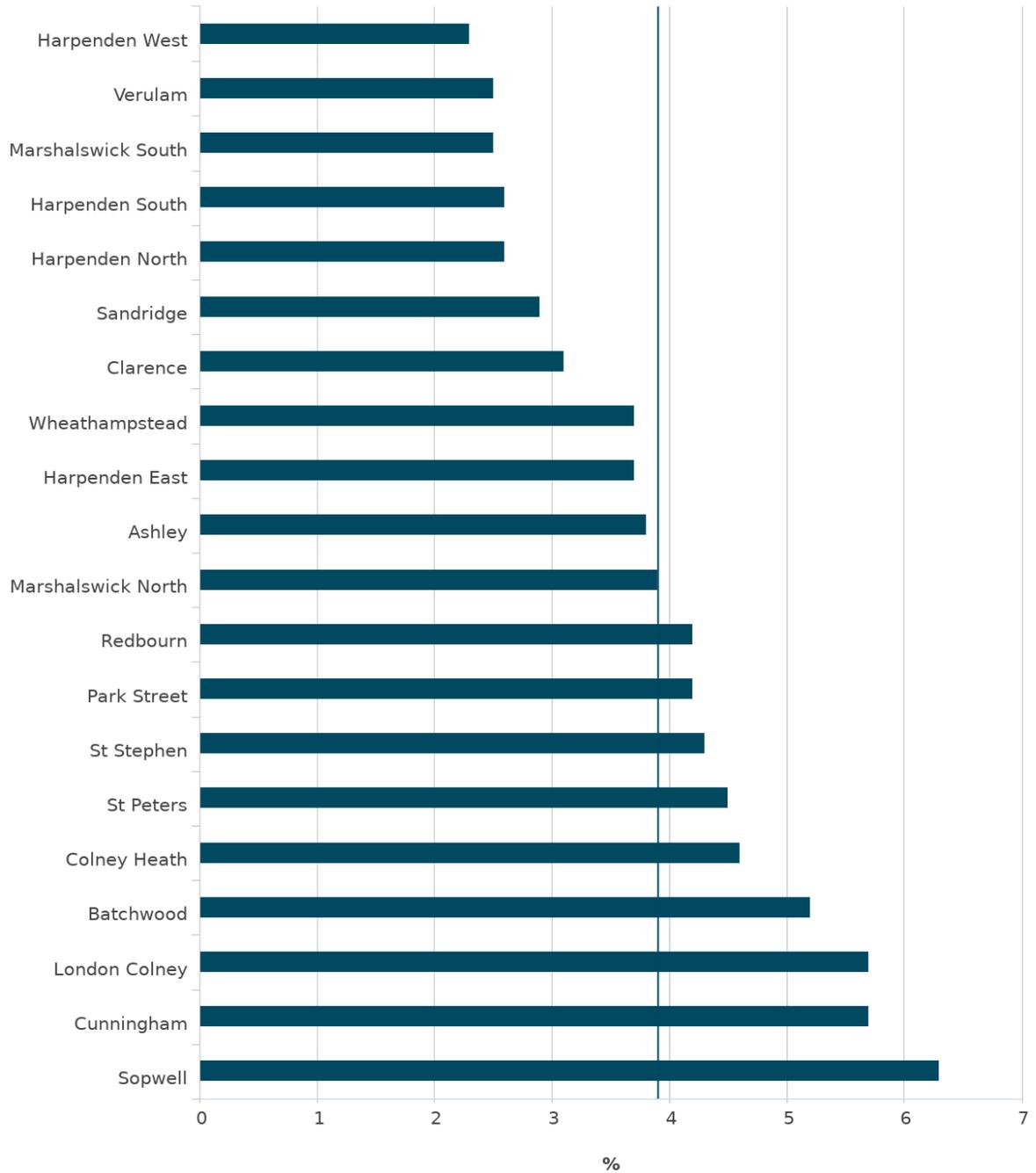
The Overall employment rate (aged 16-64) in St Albans was [78.3%](#) in 2020 Q3 (12 months ending) compared to [79.5%](#) in Hertfordshire and [78.1%](#) in East of England.

Sopwell ward has the highest percentage of residents in St Albans who are claiming unemployment benefit. .

The bar chart below shows the percentage claiming unemployment benefit for each ward in St Albans against the average for the district.

NOTE: If the district contains more than 30 wards the report will show the 30 with the highest percentage of claimants aged 16+.

**Proportion of residents aged 16-64 claiming unemployment related benefits (%) (Feb 2021) for Wards of St Albans (District)**  
 source: Claimant count by sex and age



■ Claimant count aged 16+ (% of population aged 16+), Feb 2021  
— Claimant count aged 16+ (% of population aged 16+), Mean for St Albans Wards, Feb 2021  
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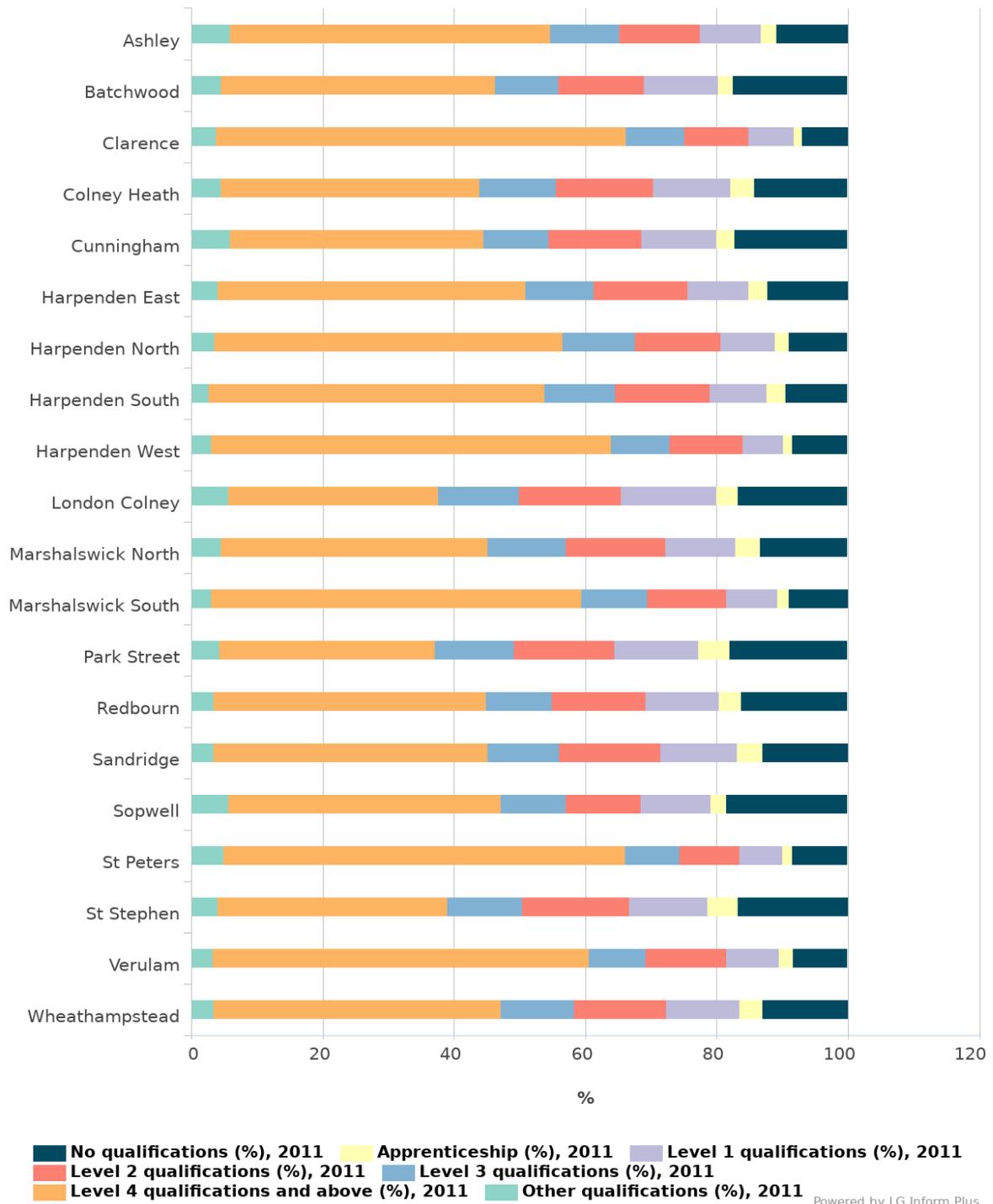
**Education**

The 2011 Census recorded the educational achievement of residents; this chart shows the proportion of residents split by each ward reporting to have no qualifications.

Sopwell ward has the highest percentage of residents in St Albans who have no qualifications ([18.52%](#)) compared to [12.90%](#) for St Albans as a whole.

NOTE: If the district in your report has more than 30 wards the chart will show the first 30 in alphabetical order of name.

**Residents by educational qualifications (%) (Percentage of ONS population count) (2011)  
for Wards of St Albans (District)**  
source: Census 2011



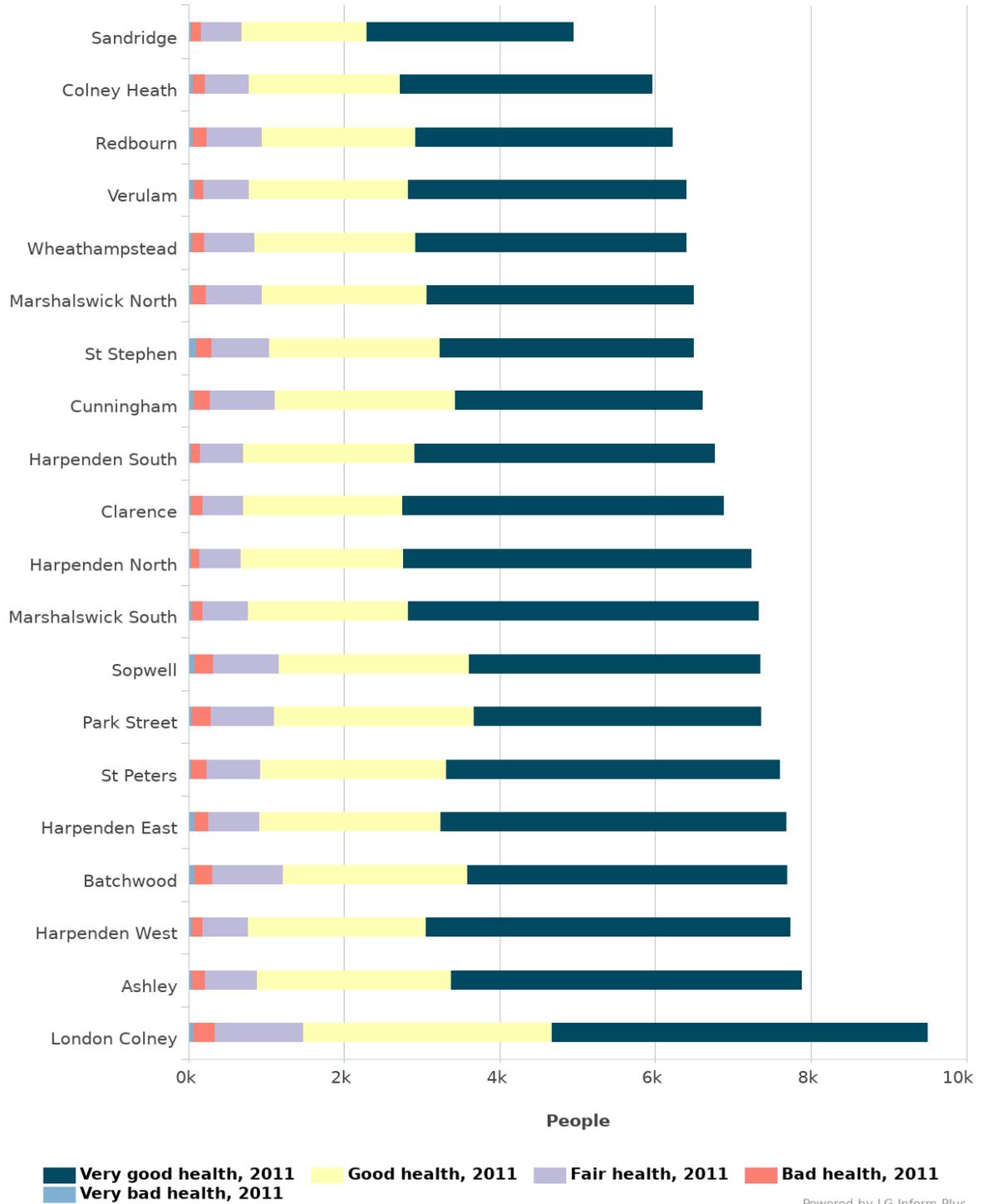
## Health

This chart shows the general health of residents by each ward in St Albans, as self-reported in the last Census. St Stephen ward has the highest percentage of residents in St Albans who report they are in very bad health ([1.5%](#)).

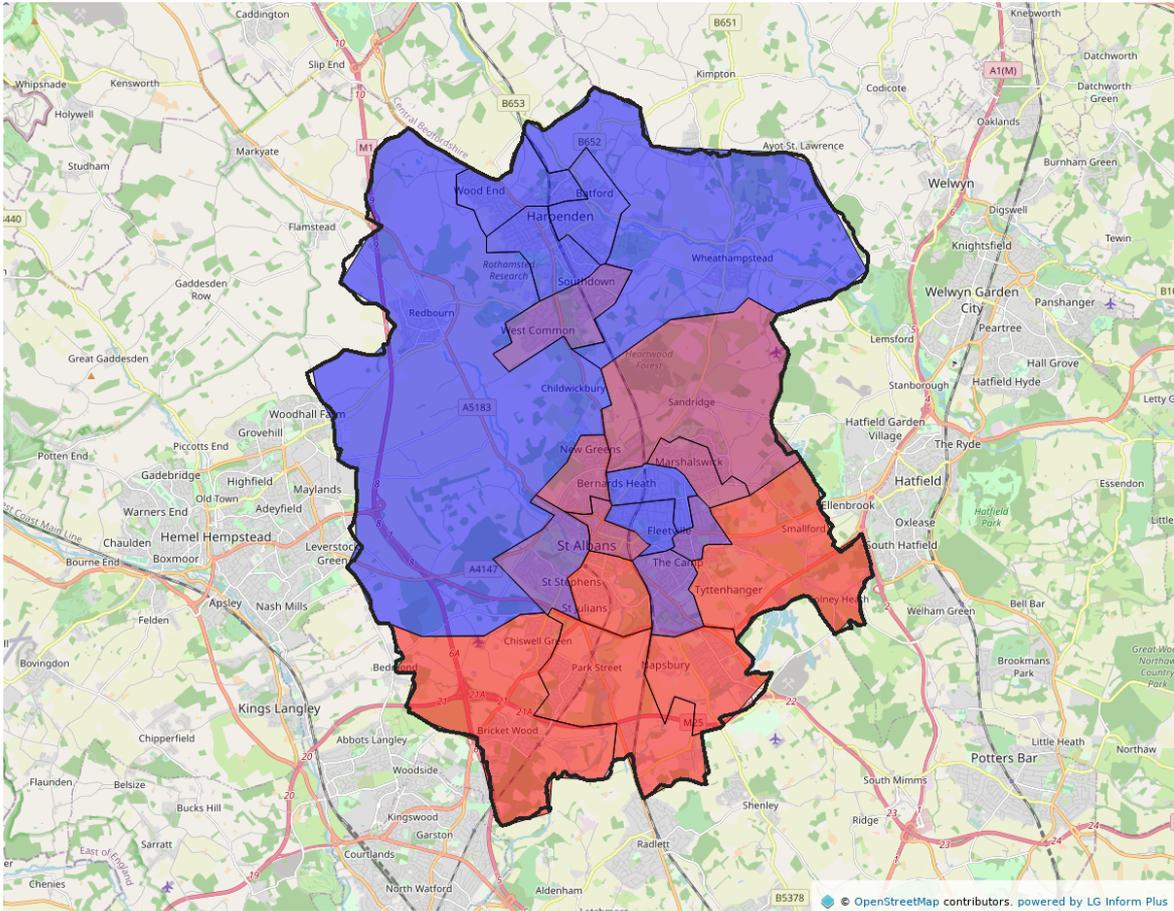
NOTE: If the district of your report contains more than 30 wards the chart will show the 30 with the largest overall population.

### Wards of St Albans (District)

source: Census 2011



The map shows the % of measured children in year 6 classified as obese for each MSOA in St Albans District for the 2017/18-19/20 (academic) year.

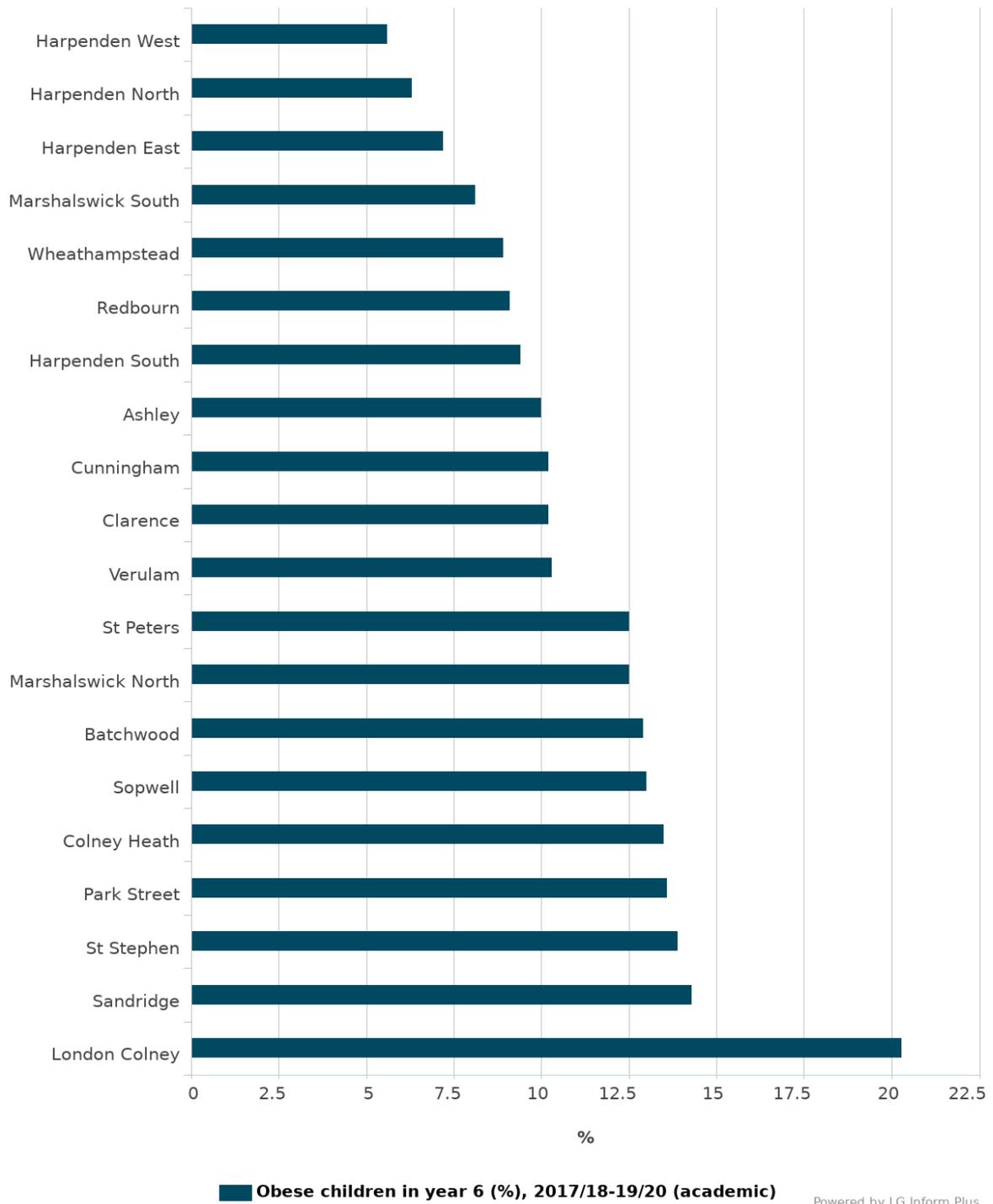


**Obese children in year 6 (%) (2017/18-19/20 (academic))**

- $\geq 5.6 \leq 9.1$  %
- $> 9.1 \leq 10.3$  %
- $> 10.3 \leq 12.9$  %
- $> 12.9 \leq 20.3$  %

**% of measured children in year 6 classified as obese (%) (2017/18-19/20 (academic)) for Wards of St Albans (District)**

source: Child obesity and excess weight: small area level data



NOTE: If the district contains more than 30 wards the report will show the 30 with the highest percentage obese children in year 6

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[Office for National Statistics; UK Standard Area Measurements \(SAM\)](#)

[Public Health England; Child obesity and excess weight: small area level data](#)