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A NEW CLASSIFICATION OF UK LOCAL AUTHORITIES

USING 2001 CENSUS KEY STATISTICS

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ABSTRACT

The 2001 Census has been successfully administered and the Census Organisations are currently engaged in processing the returns. A very large and rich dataset will be produced for the 58,789,194 people of the UK. The Census Area Statistics, for example, delivers 190 tables containing about 6 thousand unique counts relating to the characteristics of the UK population, for output areas and all higher geographies. This paper represents the first results of a project that aims to develop, in collaboration with the Office for National Statistics, a set of general purpose classifications at different geographic scales, including households, neighbourhoods, wards, local authorities and to link the classifications at different levels together. The paper reports on the methods used and results of a classification of the UK's 434 Local Authorities, using the Key Statistics released in February 2003. This initial classification and description of methods will feed into the ONS/GROS/NISRA project to classify Local Authorities for the whole UK.

Further data or digital versions of the classification system are available on request from Daniel Vickers.

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1 Introduction

This paper classifies the 434 local authority units that cover the UK into an organised typology. The UK consists of 434 Local Authorities (LAs); these are a mixture of Metropolitan Districts, Unitary Authorities, Non-Metropolitan Districts and London Boroughs in England. Unitary Authorities in Wales, Council Areas in Scotland and District Council Areas in Northern Ireland. These are the units at which local government operates. They can vary greatly in size of population and area as shown in table 1. The average size is just over 135,000 people and 56,000 hectares.

Table 1 the variation in size of the UK's LAs in terms of population and area

| Rank | LA Name | Population | Rank | LA Name | Area (hectares) |
|------|------------------|------------|------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Birmingham | 977,087 | 1 | Highland | 2,565,934 |
| 2 | Leeds | 715,402 | 2 | Argyll & Bute | 690,899 |
| 3 | Glasgow City | 577,869 | 3 | Dumfries & Galloway | 642,601 |
| 4 | Sheffield | 513,234 | 4 | Aberdeenshire | 631,259 |
| 5 | Bradford | 467,665 | 5 | Perth & Kinross | 528,581 |
| 430 | Shetland Islands | 21,988 | 430 | Hammersmith & Fulham | 1,640 |
| 431 | Orkney Islands | 19,245 | 431 | Isles of Scilly | 1,637 |
| 432 | Moyle | 15,933 | 432 | Islington | 1,486 |
| 433 | City of London | 7,185 | 433 | Kensington and Chelsea | 1,213 |
| 434 | Isles of Scilly | 2,153 | 434 | City of London | 290 |

Classifications provide a unique way of bringing together areal patterns from a range of variables, and identify areal similarities and dissimilarities between a range of different variables (Webber & Craig 1976). The idea of sorting things into categories based on similarities is not a new one. The basic premise of classification is a primitive one. The nouns of the English language are little more than labels to describe classes of objects into which objects can be place. When applied to the animal world objects can be divided into classes such as pigs, cows, and sheep (Everitt 1993).

In its widest sense, a scheme of classification represents a convenient technique for the organisation of a large dataset to enhance the efficiency of information recovery. Class labels describing arrangements of differences and similarities between objects of investigation provides a convenient summary of the data (Everitt 1993). Put simply classification is the process by which objects are placed into sets called classes on the basis of their properties.

A classification is a powerful and effective way of condensing a large volume of information, and summarising it into a single or small number of descriptive variables. Classifications are especially useful when used on socio-economic data such as that generated from the census. The census contains large amounts of specific information that in turn can be used as a basis by which further variables can be derived. It enables the variables that represent the characteristics of the population within an area to be grouped together using a variety of statistical techniques. This creates a single value for each area, which is descriptive of both the area and the people who live there. The classification can be used as a quick and easy assessment of the properties of an area and it can also be used to compare and contrast that area with other areas. Classifications enable similar areas, which are geographically spread to be grouped and by similar reasoning a classification enables areas that are geographically close or connected to be contrasted. Members of the groups share similarities based on the characteristics of their residents rather than their geography, the members of the groups do not have to be contiguous.

This paper will start by reviewing the general procedures used in classification, then move on to review previous classifications of local authority areas. The aims of the paper will then be set out before presenting the outputs from the classification.

2 Review of the general procedures used in classification

The goal of classification is to arrange N units into M clusters such that the inter- M variation in attributes is maximised and the intra- M variation in attributes is minimised. However there are several problems to be solved in developing a classification.

2.1 What attributes?

The way in which the clusters are formed will reflect the variable attributes from which they are built, the attributes that are selected for the clustering process will drive the classification and determine whether two objects are put into the same, or a different group. There is no standard method for the selection of variables and it is far from an exact science. Variables

can be selected based on the factors that are thought to be important and variables are then simply chosen which, are thought to best represent those factors, in some cases little or no statistical testing is done on the variable choices. An opposing method would be to use a series of statistical methods to aid variable choice.

2.2 How many clusters?

The number of cluster selected can significantly alter the result that the classification produces, by having 11 clusters instead of 10 can completely alter the way in which the objects are separated. There are no rules as to what is the optimum or best number of cluster within a classification, each classification needs to be taken on its own merit and previous decisions such as variable choice and method of clustering will determine the most suitable number of clusters to be used. There is no standard method for choosing the most suitable number of clusters but a method that is being increasingly used is by measuring the increase in distance between the most dissimilar objects within merged clusters as the number of clusters reduces. The clusters to select are those before a large rise in the distance between the objects in the same cluster.

Before any further variable selection can be made the variables need to be standardised over the same range, this ensures that each variable has the same weighting on the classification. This is important when there is different type of data e.g. population density will give number of people per an area, however Detached housing is a percentage of all households. If these variables were clustered without being standardised it would add bias to the dataset. The method chosen for standardising the variables was to transform them into z -scores. The method for calculating z -scores is shown in equations 1 & 2, firstly the standard deviation is calculated. The z -score is then calculated by taking the mean value of the variable away from the value for that variable for each local authority in turn and then dividing them by the standard deviation of the variable across all local authorities. This should be repeated for all variables to standardise them over the same range.

The Standard deviation is defined as:

$$\sigma_x = \frac{\sqrt{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}}{n} \quad (1)$$

The Standard normal variate or z-score is defined as:

$$Z_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{\sigma_x} \quad (2)$$

There are other methods for variable standardisation, for example in the 1999 classification of Local Authorities the ONS used a range method defined as:

$$Z_i = 100 \frac{x_i}{x_{\max} - x_{\min}} \quad (3)$$

where x_{\max} is the maximum value of x and x_{\min} the minimum value of x

For their 2003 Local Authority classification they have decided to change there method slightly using a 90th/10th percentile method of standardisation, defined as:

$$Z_i = 100 \frac{x_i}{x_{90} - x_{10}} \quad (4)$$

where x_{90} is the 90th percentile value of x and x_{10} is the 10th percentile value of x , when the values of x are arranged from lowest to the highest and the cumulative percentage of cases (LAs).

The standard normal z-score was chosen above other methods as it reduces the effect of extreme values on the data. This is of great importance, as Table 1 shows there is great

variation within the areas to be classified. By reducing the effect of extreme values on the classification, the number of very small clusters will be limited, therefore creating a more usable and valuable classification system.

2.3 Which method of clustering?

The purpose of clustering is to find the best arrangement of N areas into M clusters for any number M . There are several methods of clustering, the most common and most widely used is k -means which produces a single predefined solution. In contrast to k -means, hierarchical clustering procedures produce a series of solutions from which one or more of the most suitable solutions can be selected.

2.3.1 The procedure used in k -means classifications

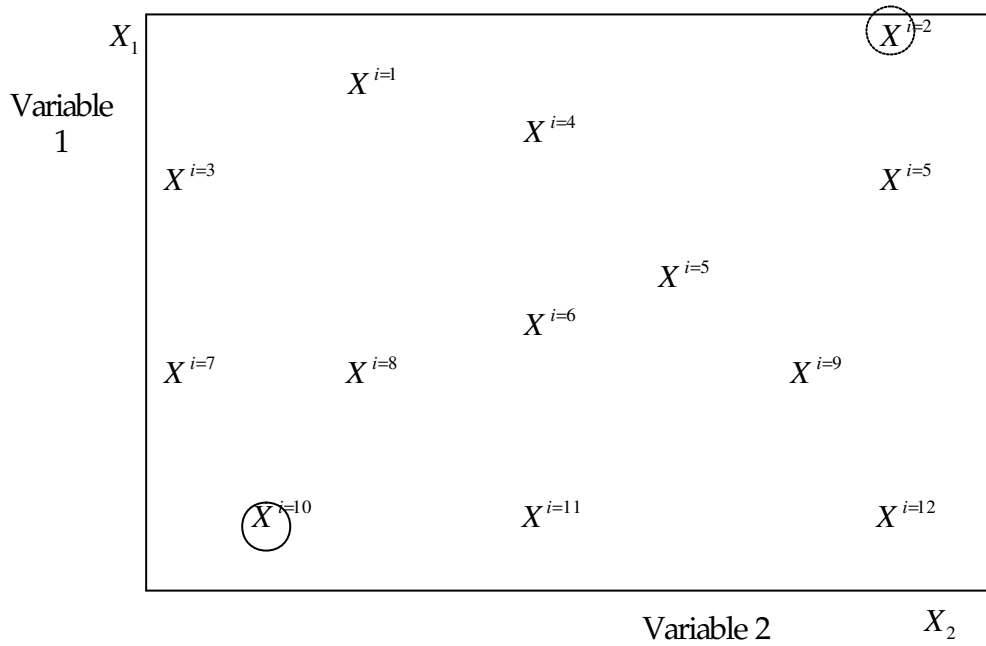
The K -means partitions n data points with m variables into k clusters. This results in a matrix of cluster centres $J(k, m)$ which minimises the Euclidean sum of squares given by the equation:

$$J(k, m) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^m (Z_{ij} - Z_{cj})^2 \quad (5)$$

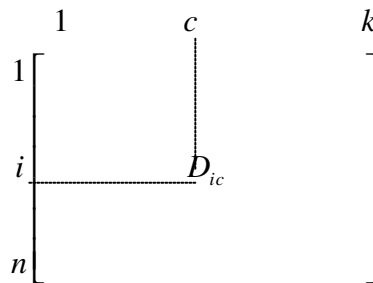
Where Z_{cj} = Value for cluster c and variable j

Z_{ij} = Value for object i and variable j

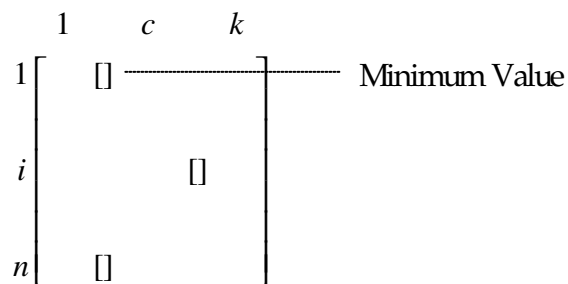
Step 1: Select cluster centres, set up $J(k, m)$ with 2 values



Step 2: Compute distances from objects to clusters



Assign to the cluster with the minimum distance



Step 3: Compute new average values for cluster centres

$$Z_{cj} = \sum_{i \in c} Z_{ij} / M_c \quad (6)$$

The previous steps are repeated until a stopping criterion is met, i.e., when there is no further change in the assignment of the data points

2.3.2 The advantages of arranging a classification hierarchically

There are two main advantages of using a hierarchical method of clustering

1. Do not have to predefine the number of clusters
2. More than one level of classification can be produced which fits into the one above

At the start of the process each object is in a class by itself. Then in small steps the criterion by which the objects are clustered is relaxed to produce few but larger clusters on the next step up the hierarchy, this process continues until all the objects being clustered fall within a single cluster and therefore completing the hierarchy. The process of linking more and more objects together means that they are amalgamated into larger and larger clusters of increasing dissimilarity (Ward 1963).

The process of hierarchical clustering is an agglomerative or (bottom-up) approach beginning with n groups each containing 1 object then after merging them together ending with 1 group containing n objects. The process of getting from n to 1 groups can be summarised as below:

Step 1: Place each object O into its own cluster C , creating the cluster file f therefore:

$$f = C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots, C_{n-2}, C_{n-1}, C_n$$

Step 2: Compute a measure of similarity between every pair of clusters in the cluster file f to find the closest cluster to each cluster $\{C_i, C_j\}$

Step 3: Remove C_i and C_j from f

Step 4: Merge C_i and C_j to create a new cluster C_{ij} which will be the parent of C_i and C_j in the hierarchical cluster tree.

Step 5: Return to step 2 and repeat until there is only one cluster left.

Methods of hierarchical clustering have been incorporated into the statistical packages for the social sciences (SPSS) and are frequently used to cluster census type information.

3 Review of previous classifications of local authorities

In *British Towns: A statistical study of their social and economic differences* Moser and Scott (1961) conducted one of the first comparative studies of the socio-economic variations across Great Britain. They grouped 157 British towns and cities into 14 groups, themselves arranged in three types with London county council left outside any group being unlike other cities in Britain. This marked an important juncture in the development of geodemographics as classifications moved from small study areas into comprehensive national systems. They used factor analysis to measure *common segments in an 'area of overlap'*. The analysis produced 4 factors: Social class, Population change 1931–51, Population change 1951–8, and Overcrowding. This enabled the authors to make a judgement as to which towns shared similarities, based on just 4 components rather than their original 57 variables. By graphing

the correlation values for each town against each other for each of the four components they were able to make an estimation as to which towns should be grouped together (Moser & Scott 1961). However their study received little practical application.

The real take off of area classifications came at the Centre for Environmental Studies, where Webber and colleagues developed a classification of residential neighbourhoods, which was based on the 1971 Census Small Area Statistics. This was adopted by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys (OPCS) as their lower level area classification and developed further by CACI (an American market analysis firm). From these 1970s origins the Geodemographics 'industry' was born which saw a proliferation of classifications based on the census and non-census variables.

The OPCS Socio-Economic Classification of Local Authorities in Great Britain as described in (Webber & Craig 1978; Webber & Craig 1976) was the first to use census data (1971 census) to create a hierarchical classification of Britain at the local authority level. They created a two level hierarchy of 6 families and 30 clusters, firstly using the k-means method to create the 30 clusters, then using a hierarchical method of clustering to fit those 30 clusters into a higher level of 6 families. The OPCS developed the use of area classifications further with classifications at the local authority level based on both the 1981 and 1991 censuses.

A classification was made for the Office for National Statistics (ONS) the replacement of the OPCS for the local authorities of Great Britain based on 1991 census data (first done in 1996 then revised in 1999). They split Britain's 407 local authorities into a three tier hierarchy of 27, 15 & 7 clusters each was given a descriptive name such as 'Urban Fringe' or 'Growth Areas'. The classification was accompanied by a host of statistics and maps to form a

comprehensive picture of the social make-up of Britain at the local authority scale (Bailey et al. 1999).

4 The Aims of this paper

The aims of this paper are to create a general purpose classification of UK local authorities, which will have several key factors which set it apart from its predecessors.

1. Coverage – The classification will cover the whole of the UK's 434 local authorities for the first time (previous classifications have only covered GB).
2. New Data - The paper will make use of the most up to date information about the UK's population, the 2001 census data that was published in February this year.
3. Linked Hierarchy of classifications – The classification will be produced within three different and linked classifications that will enable comparison and analysis at three different levels

5 The Process of Classification

5.1 Variable Selection

The variables that are used in a classification are vitally important because the results that the classification produces will be determined by the variables which were included and excluded from the input (Blake & Openshaw 1995). For the classification to be to be comprehensive it needs to include variables all domains within the census (Demographic, Ethnicity, Household Composition, Housing, Socio-Economic, Employment and Health). What needs to be decided upon is how many variables each domain should include, and what those variables should be.

Therefore a representative set of census based variable indicators needs to be created. The importance of each domain should be a general reflection of the original census questionnaire rather than that of the cross-tabulated counts

A comprehensive list of list of 129 variables was selected (see table 2), by reviewing variables used in previous classification systems and adding variables which had been introduced in the 2001 census for the first time.

Table 2 The 129 variables considered for use in the LA Classification

| | <i>Variable</i> | <i>Domain</i> |
|----|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Population Density | Demographic |
| 2 | Male | Demographic |
| 3 | Female | Demographic |
| 4 | Communal Establishments | Demographic |
| 5 | People aged: 0 – 4 | Demographic |
| 6 | People aged: 5 – 7 | Demographic |
| 7 | People aged: 8 – 9 | Demographic |
| 8 | People aged: 10 – 14 | Demographic |
| 9 | People aged: 15 | Demographic |
| 10 | People aged: 16 – 17 | Demographic |
| 11 | People aged: 18 – 19 | Demographic |
| 12 | People aged: 20 – 24 | Demographic |
| 13 | People aged: 25 – 29 | Demographic |
| 14 | People aged: 30 – 44 | Demographic |
| 15 | People aged: 45 – 59 | Demographic |
| 16 | People aged: 60 – 64 | Demographic |
| 17 | People aged: 65 – 74 | Demographic |
| 18 | People aged: 75 – 84 | Demographic |
| 19 | People aged: 85 – 89 | Demographic |
| 20 | People aged: 90 & over | Demographic |
| 21 | Married (Living in Couple) | Demographic |
| 22 | Cohabiting | Demographic |
| 23 | Single (Never Married) | Demographic |
| 24 | Married (Not living in Couple) | Demographic |
| 25 | Separated | Demographic |
| 26 | Divorced | Demographic |
| 27 | Widowed | Demographic |
| 28 | Born in: England | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 29 | Born in: Scotland | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 30 | Born in: Wales | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 31 | Born in: Northern Ireland | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 32 | Born in: Republic of Ireland | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 33 | Born in: Other EU Countries | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 34 | Born Rest of the World (Outside EU) | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 35 | Black minority ethnic groups | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 36 | Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 37 | Chinese | Ethnicity & Religion |

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| 38 | White | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 39 | Christian | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 40 | Other Religion | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 41 | Not Stated or No Religion | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 42 | Limiting long-term illness | Health |
| 43 | Residents whose health is good | Health |
| 44 | Residents whose health is fairly good | Health |
| 45 | Residents whose health is not good | Health |
| 46 | Residents who provide unpaid care | Health |
| 47 | Unemployment | Employment |
| 48 | Self-employed | Employment |
| 49 | Economically active residents 16+ | Employment |
| 50 | Male Unemployment | Employment |
| 51 | Working Women ft | Employment |
| 52 | Women who work part-time | Employment |
| 53 | Agriculture; hunting; forestry and fishing employment | Employment |
| 54 | Mining, quarrying and construction employment | Employment |
| 55 | Manufacturing employment | Employment |
| 56 | Electricity; gas and water supply employment | Employment |
| 57 | Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles employment | Employment |
| 58 | Hotels and catering employment | Employment |
| 59 | Transport, storage and communication employment | Employment |
| 60 | Financial intermediation employment | Employment |
| 61 | Real estate; renting and business activities employment | Employment |
| 62 | Public administration and defence employment | Employment |
| 63 | Education employment | Employment |
| 64 | Health and social work employment | Employment |
| 65 | Managers and senior officials employment | Employment |
| 66 | Professional occupations employment | Employment |
| 67 | Associate professional and technical occupations employment | Employment |
| 68 | Administrative and secretarial occupations employment | Employment |
| 69 | Skilled trades occupations employment | Employment |
| 70 | Personal service occupations employment | Employment |
| 71 | Sales and customer service occupations employment | Employment |
| 72 | Process; plant and machine operatives employment | Employment |
| 73 | Elementary occupations employment | Employment |
| 74 | No qualifications | Employment |
| 75 | Highest qualification attained level 1 | Employment |
| 76 | Highest qualification attained level 2 | Employment |
| 77 | Highest qualification attained level 3 | Employment |
| 78 | Highest qualification attained level 4/5 | Employment |
| 79 | Full time Students | Employment |
| 80 | Large employers and higher managerial occupations employment | Employment |
| 81 | Higher professional occupations employment | Employment |
| 82 | Lower managerial and professional occupations employment | Employment |
| 83 | Intermediate occupations employment | Employment |
| 84 | Small employers and own account workers employment | Employment |
| 85 | Lower supervisory and technical occupations employment | Employment |
| 86 | Semi-routine occupations employment | Employment |
| 87 | Routine occupations employment | Employment |
| 88 | Never worked | Employment |
| 89 | Long-term unemployed | Employment |
| 90 | Train to work | Socio-Economic |

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| 91 | Bus, Mini Bus or Coach to work | Socio-Economic |
| 92 | Car to work | Socio-Economic |
| 93 | Motorcycle, Scooter or Moped to work | Socio-Economic |
| 94 | Walk to work | Socio-Economic |
| 95 | Bike to work | Socio-Economic |
| 96 | Work mainly from home | Socio-Economic |
| 97 | Purpose-built flats | Housing |
| 98 | Terraced houses | Housing |
| 99 | Detached housing | Housing |
| 100 | Semi-detached Housing | Housing |
| 101 | Bedsits | Housing |
| 102 | Households With no residents: Vacant | Housing |
| 103 | Households With no residents: Second residence / holiday home | Housing |
| 104 | Caravan or other mobile or temporary structure | Housing |
| 105 | Households with 3+ cars | Socio-Economic |
| 106 | Households with 2 cars | Socio-Economic |
| 107 | Households with 1 car | Socio-Economic |
| 108 | No car households | Socio-Economic |
| 109 | Average number of cars per household | Socio-Economic |
| 110 | LA Rented | Housing |
| 111 | Owner occupiers | Housing |
| 112 | Private Rented | Housing |
| 113 | Mortgaged | Housing |
| 114 | Household size | Housing |
| 115 | Rooms per household | Housing |
| 116 | No central heating | Housing |
| 117 | Lacking bath, shower and toilet | Housing |
| 118 | Households: with an occupancy rating of -1 or less (Overcrowding) | Household Composition |
| 119 | One-person no-pensioner households | Household Composition |
| 120 | Single pensioner households | Household Composition |
| 121 | Wholly student households | Household Composition |
| 122 | 2 adults no children | Household Composition |
| 123 | Only Pensioner households | Household Composition |
| 124 | Households with dependent children | Household Composition |
| 125 | Lone Parent Families | Household Composition |
| 126 | Households: With one or more person with a limiting long-term illness | Household Composition |
| 127 | Households: No adults in employment :with dependent children | Household Composition |
| 128 | Male lone parents | Household Composition |
| 129 | Population change 1991 – 2001 | Demographic |

N.B. Migration data could not be used, as it has not yet been published for Northern Ireland at the time when the classification was created.

These 129 variables needed to be assessed in terms of how much information they contain about the areas and the inter correlations within the data, this will enable the reduction of the list of variables whilst keeping as much information as possible.

Classification and Principal Components Analysis (PCA) are aspects of “social area analysis” which are two sides of the same coin. The attention each has received has fluctuated over the decades of the 20th Century. PCA can be used to establish which variables have the strongest

influence over the data; a correlation matrix can then be used to locate and remove high levels of correlation within the data. Alternatively many commercial firms prefer to use a strict PCA and cluster the components which are produced. Those components which represent the first 90% of the variance within the data are selected to be used in the cluster analysis. Each method is likely to produce slight variations in the final list of variables used in the cluster analysis.

It was decided that the most suitable method of variable selection for this project was to use the original variables rather than using PCA to produce surrogate variables. The interpretation of the results is easier when the original variables are used rather than composite components. However, PCA can play an important part in the selection of which variables to keep and which to throw away. PCA was run using the SPSS statistical package on the 129 variables producing both a 'component loadings matrix' and a 'correlation matrix'. The component matrix was studied first; this is a matrix showing how much of the variance of a variable was accounted for by each principal component. Variables which had a large amount of their variance covered by the early principal components will be those variables that are likely to have the most significance within the data and drive the classification. The component loadings of first five principal components for the variables that have the greatest amount of their variance associated with component one is shown in Table 3. The component loading is the correlation between a variable and a component. Variables that have a large amount of their variances covered by the first few principal components shows that a variable has a strong influence within a dataset.

Table 3 First 20 Rows and first 5 columns of the component loadings matrix

| Variable Number | Variable Name | Component Loadings | | | | |
|-----------------|---|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | I | II | III | IV | V |
| 13 | People aged: 25 - 29 | 0.89 | 0.10 | -0.15 | 0.04 | 0.15 |
| 118 | Households: with an occupancy rating of -1 or less | 0.88 | 0.21 | 0.08 | 0.15 | -0.18 |
| 37 | Chinese | 0.88 | -0.13 | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.09 |
| 119 | One-person no-pensioner households | 0.87 | 0.19 | 0.22 | 0.01 | -0.01 |
| 34 | Born Rest of the World (Outside EU) | 0.86 | -0.10 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.05 |
| 1 | Population Density | 0.86 | 0.14 | 0.12 | -0.10 | 0.03 |
| 21 | Married (Living in Couple) | -0.86 | -0.40 | -0.21 | -0.01 | -0.07 |
| 92 | Car to work | -0.85 | 0.02 | -0.35 | -0.10 | 0.09 |
| 23 | Single (Never Married) | 0.84 | 0.36 | -0.09 | 0.29 | -0.02 |
| 24 | Married (Not living in Couple) | 0.82 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 0.02 |
| 97 | purpose-built flats | 0.80 | 0.08 | 0.22 | -0.09 | -0.30 |
| 38 | White | -0.79 | -0.08 | 0.07 | 0.05 | -0.09 |
| 52 | Women who work part-time | -0.78 | -0.28 | 0.03 | -0.34 | 0.15 |
| 16 | People aged: 60 - 64 | -0.75 | -0.11 | 0.49 | 0.04 | -0.19 |
| 33 | Born in: Other EU Countries | 0.74 | -0.41 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 0.06 |
| 35 | Black minority ethnic groups | 0.74 | 0.08 | -0.02 | 0.02 | -0.04 |
| 61 | Real estate; renting and business activities employment | 0.73 | -0.59 | 0.00 | -0.11 | -0.10 |
| 12 | People aged: 20 - 24 | 0.73 | 0.27 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.39 |
| 15 | People aged: 45 - 59 | -0.73 | -0.44 | 0.16 | -0.05 | -0.14 |

As well as establishing which variables power the dataset it is important to consider the correlations between variables. There is no sense in having two highly correlated variables as they will add little data to the classification. There are two different types of correlation between variables. Variables that are positive represent characteristics of people which are likely to be present in a person due to the type of person that they are, e.g. a student is likely to be in their late teens or early twenties therefore the full time student variable will be positively correlated with the age variable in which they fall as a large number of people who are in one group are likely to be in the other. Negative correlations occur between variables which represent characteristics that are unlikely to be present in a person for example people over 65 years of age are highly unlikely to be full time students therefore these two variables will high a high negative correlation. Negative correlations can also appear between variables within the same domain, an example of this is age groups. Age groups at opposite extremes i.e. young and old will be negatively correlated as an individual can only be of one age and therefore can only be in one of the groups. Areas with high numbers of old people are likely to have a low number of young people and this would make these two groups of people negatively correlated. This can be seen in the figure 1 the correlation matrix of age variables.

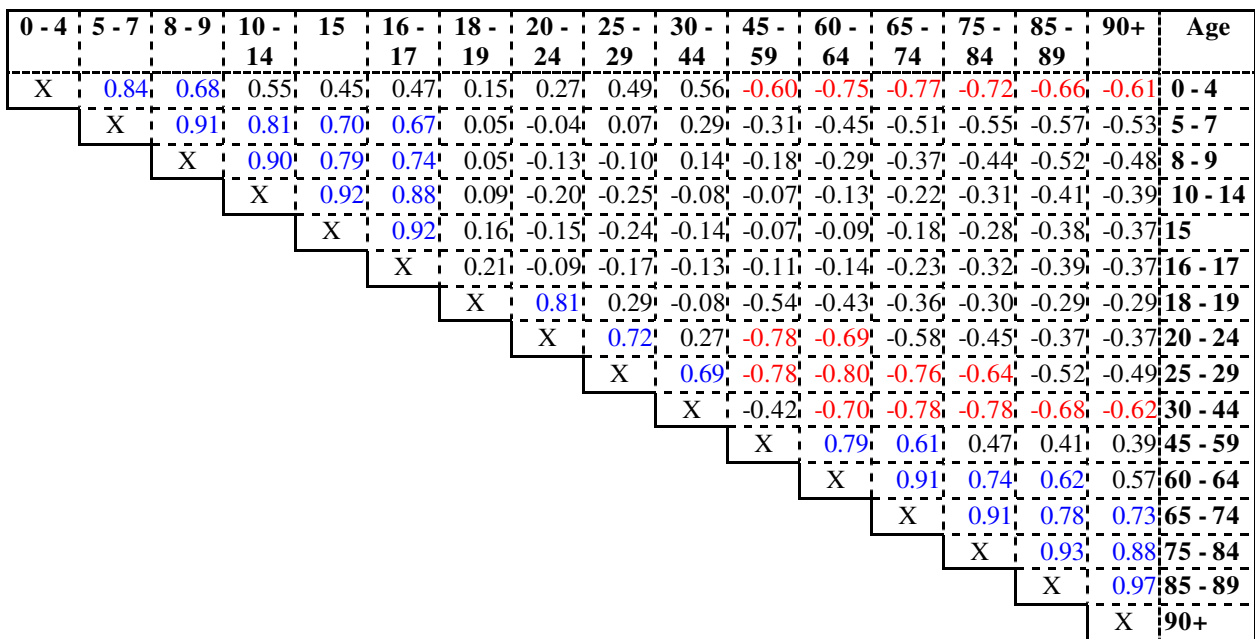


Figure 1 Correlation matrix of age variables

In addition to the correlations between the variables another thing that needs to be considered is the variance of the variable across all local authorities. One way of doing this is to compare the standard deviation of each variable, so that the variables which show the biggest differences between the LAs are identified. The variables with the highest and lowest standard deviation can be seen in table 4, which shows how different the standard deviation can be for each variable ranging from as high as 31.54 down to 0.14.

Table 4 The variables with the highest and lowest standard deviation across all local authorities

| Largest Std. Deviation | | | Smallest Std. Deviation | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|
| Rank | Variable | S.D. | Rank | Variable | S.D. |
| 1 | Born in: England | 31.54 | 129 | Household size | 0.14 |
| 2 | Born in: Scotland | 22.45 | 128 | People aged: 15 | 0.16 |
| 3 | Average number of cars per Hhold | 22.28 | 127 | People aged: 90 & over | 0.22 |
| 4 | Born in: Northern Ireland | 21.63 | 126 | People aged: 8 - 9 | 0.25 |
| 5 | Population Density | 18.74 | 125 | People aged: 16 - 17 | 0.30 |
| 6 | Born in: Wales | 16.37 | 124 | Chinese | 0.34 |
| 7 | Detached housing | 13.87 | 123 | Lacking bath, shower and toilet | 0.36 |
| 8 | purpose-built flats | 10.84 | 122 | People aged: 85 - 89 | 0.36 |
| 9 | Car to work | 10.80 | 121 | People aged: 5 - 7 | 0.37 |
| 10 | Terraced houses | 9.63 | 120 | M'cycle, Scooter or Moped to work | 0.39 |
| 11 | No car households | 9.41 | 119 | Elec, gas & water supply employ | 0.41 |
| 12 | Owner occupiers | 9.01 | 118 | Rooms per household | 0.44 |
| 13 | White | 8.70 | 117 | Long-term unemployed | 0.49 |
| 14 | Christian | 8.48 | 116 | People aged: 18 - 19 | 0.49 |
| 15 | Semi-detached Housing | 8.43 | 115 | Caravan or temporary structure | 0.51 |

It is much more reliable to use all of the different methods of selection as mentioned above. Using just one you can make a case for most variables e.g. Chinese that has 88% of its variance represented by Principal Component One suggesting that it could be an important variable. However it has the 6th lowest standard deviation showing that it varies very little between local authorities and is therefore unlikely to add significant value to the classification in terms of separating local authority areas into dissimilar clusters.

It is also important to consider which variable domains are covered by the variables that have been selected. The Classifications also vary greatly in the variables that are used to make the classifications. As there are so many different variables that have been used in the classifications it was essential to group the variables in some way to enable a meaningful comparison between them. The purpose of the investigation is to capture the complete spectrum of people's lives, living arrangements and problems. Therefore the classification can be seen as being based on people's '*socio-economic life course*' in which each person experiences a sequence of several parallel '*careers*' during their lifetime. The variables used in the classifications can be split into separate domains each representing a different '*career*' within the '*socio-economic life course*'. The variables within the classification were split in seven domains or '*careers*' that represent different types of variables. The seven domains covered by the variables have been named: Demographic, Employment, Ethnicity & Religion, Household Composition, Health, Housing, and Socio-Economic. Variables from each of these domains need to be included in the final variable list to ensure that many different types of data representing different characteristics of the people who live within each local authority.

After all the criteria for reducing the variable list had been considered a final list of 56 variables was produced. So, 73 variables were either dropped from the list or merged with another variable to create a less specific variable. The variables along with the reason behind their inclusion or non inclusion are listed in Appendix A. The final list of variables used can be found in table 5. The references for the calculation of the final 56 variables from the Key Statistics National Reports can be seen in Appendix B.

In general an attempt was made to reduce the list of 129 as much as possible but with losing as little as possible of the information they contain. To do this variables that show extremes within the population have been treated as the most important variables to keep as they are the most likely to distinguish between areas.

Table 5 The final list of 56 variables to be used in the classification.

| | <i>Variable</i> | <i>Domain</i> |
|----|---|----------------------|
| 1 | Population Density | Demographic |
| 2 | People aged: 0 - 9 | Demographic |
| 3 | People aged: 10 - 17 | Demographic |
| 4 | People aged: 18 - 24 | Demographic |
| 5 | People aged: 25 - 29 | Demographic |
| 6 | People aged: 45 - 64 | Demographic |
| 7 | People aged: 65+ | Demographic |
| 8 | Married | Demographic |
| 9 | Single (Never Married) | Demographic |
| 10 | Born outside UK | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 11 | Black minority ethnic groups | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 12 | Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 13 | Christian | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 14 | Other Religion | Ethnicity & Religion |
| 15 | Limiting long-term illness | Health |
| 16 | Residents whose health is good | Health |
| 17 | Residents who provide unpaid care | Health |
| 18 | Unemployment | Employment |
| 19 | Economically active residents 16+ | Employment |
| 20 | Male Unemployment | Employment |
| 21 | Women who work Full-time | Employment |
| 22 | Women who work Part-time | Employment |
| 23 | Agriculture; hunting; forestry and fishing employment | Employment |
| 24 | Real estate; renting and business activities employment | Employment |
| 25 | Managers and senior officials employment | Employment |
| 26 | No qualifications | Employment |
| 27 | Highest qualification attained degree level or above | Employment |
| 28 | Full time Students | Employment |
| 29 | Large employers and higher managerial occupations employment | Employment |
| 30 | Higher professional occupations employment | Employment |
| 31 | Lower managerial and professional occupations employment | Employment |
| 32 | Small employers and own account workers employment | Employment |
| 33 | Routine occupations employment | Employment |
| 34 | Never worked | Employment |
| 35 | Long-term unemployed | Employment |
| 36 | Car to work | Socio-Economic |
| 37 | Walk to work | Socio-Economic |
| 38 | purpose-built flats | Housing |
| 39 | Terraced houses | Housing |
| 40 | Detached housing | Housing |
| 41 | Bedsits | Housing |
| 42 | Households With no residents: Second residence / holiday home | Socio-Economic |
| 43 | Households with 2+ cars | Socio-Economic |

| | | |
|----|---|-----------------------|
| 44 | No car households | Socio-Economic |
| 45 | LA Rented | Housing |
| 46 | Private Rented | Housing |
| 47 | Household size | Household Composition |
| 48 | No central heating | Housing |
| 49 | Households: with an occupancy rating of -1 or less (overcrowding) | Household Composition |
| 50 | One-person no-pensioner households | Household Composition |
| 51 | Single pensioner households | Household Composition |
| 52 | 2 adults no children | Household Composition |
| 53 | Households with dependent children | Household Composition |
| 54 | Lone Parent Families | Household Composition |
| 55 | Households: No adults in employment :with dependent children | Household Composition |
| 56 | Population change 1991 - 2001 | Demographic |

5.2 Clustering the Local Authorities

The method that was used for clustering the variables was Ward's Hierarchical Grouping Procedure also known as the Increased Sums of Squares Method. Developed by Joe H. Ward of the Aerospace Medical Division, Lockland Air Force Base, it was first published in the Journal of the American Statistical Association in 1963, and developed as a method "to cluster large numbers of objects, symbols or persons into smaller numbers of mutually exclusive groups, each having members that are as much alike as possible" (Ward 1963 pp236), the aim is to join objects together into ever increasing sizes of cluster using a measure of similarity or distance. Cluster membership is assessed by calculating the total sum of squared deviations from the mean of a cluster. The criterion for fusion is that it should produce the smallest possible increase in the error sum of squares (ESS).

The clustering procedure forms groups in a manner that minimizes the loss associated with each grouping and to quantify that loss in readily interpretable form. Information loss is defined by Ward in terms of an error sum-of-squares (ESS) criterion. ESS is defined as the following:

$$x_{ij} = \text{Value for area } i \text{ of variable } j$$

$$k = \text{index for clusters, } k = 1, \dots, K$$

$$D_k = \text{Set of areas belonging to cluster } k$$

i = index of an area, $i = 1, \dots, N$

j = index for variables, $j = 1, \dots, M$

j = number of areas in the cluster

The Sum of Squared deviations from the mean for cluster k is

$$SS_k = \sum_{i \in D_k} \sum_{j=1}^M (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_{kj})^2 \quad (7)$$

Where \bar{x}_{kj} = mean of x_{ij} for all i in cluster $k = \sum_{i \in D_k} \frac{x_{ij}}{n_k}$

The Sums of Squared Deviation (SS) for cluster k is given as:

$$\sum_k \sum_{i \in D_k} \sum_{j=1}^M (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_{kj})^2 \quad (8)$$

and the Error Sums of Squared deviations (ESS) is simply the sum across all clusters

$$ESS = \sum_k SS_k \quad (9)$$

The process of hierarchical clustering is an agglomerative or (bottom-up) approach beginning with n groups each containing 1 object which are merged together ending with 1 group containing n objects. The process of getting from n to 1 groups can be summarised by the following 5 steps:

Step 1: Place each object O into its own cluster C , creating the cluster file f therefore:

$$f = C_n, C_{n-1}, C_{n-2}, \dots, C_3, C_2, C_1$$

Step 2: Compute a measure of similarity between every pair of clusters in the cluster file f to find the closest pair $\{C_i, C_j\}$

Step 3: Remove C_i and C_j from f

Step 4: Merge C_i and C_j to create a new cluster C_{ij} which will be the parent of C_i and C_j in the hierarchical cluster tree.

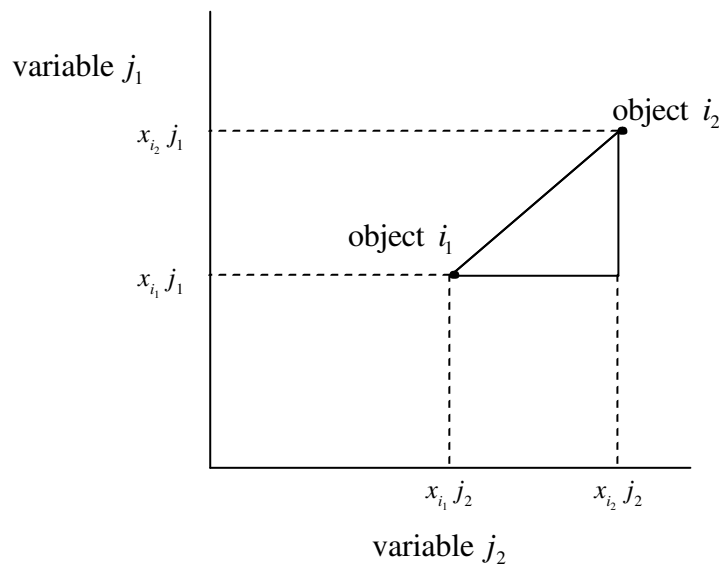
Step 5: Return to step 2 and repeat until there is only one cluster left.

Methods of hierarchical clustering have been incorporated into the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) and are frequently used to cluster census type information. There are several different formulae that can be used as the criterion in a hierarchical grouping procedure, most commonly used is Euclidean distance (SPSS 1999).

Assume two objects $i = i_1, i = i_2$

Assume two variables $j = j_1, j = j_2$

Assume the distance is given by the Pythagorean formula (square of the hypotenuse = sum of the squares on the other two sides of a right angle triangle)



then the distance between the objects is

$$d_{i_1 i_2} = \{(x_{i_1 j_1} - x_{i_2 j_1})^2 + (x_{i_1 j_2} - x_{i_2 j_2})^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (10)$$

Generalising over variables this becomes

$$d_{i_1 i_2} = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^M (x_{i_1 j} - x_{i_2 j})^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (11)$$

The distances between clusters can then be calculated, the Intra-cluster distance involves generalising over objects i which are members of cluster k

$$d_{kk} = \sum_{i_1 \in k} \sum_{i_2 \in k} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^M (x_{i_1 j} - x_{i_2 j})^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (12)$$

Inter-cluster distance is then defined as

$$d_{k_1 k_2} = \sum_{i_1 \in k_1} \sum_{i_2 \in k_2} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^M (x_{i_1 j} - x_{i_2 j})^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (13)$$

Once the variables have been clustered the next decision that has to be made is how many clusters to split the LAs into. Unlike other methods of clustering such as k-means, the Ward's method clustering used does not have to be provided with predefined a number of clusters. Instead a range of solution is produced, from 434 clusters where all LAs are in separate groups, to just 2 clusters. In total this gives 433 different classifications of the LAs so some method of selecting the most suitable number of clusters to use is needed. It is important as well to remember that the cluster in procedure is hierarchical so a multiple level classification system can be produced.

The ONS classification of local authorities of Great Britain using 1991 data produced a three tier hierarchy of 27, 15 and 7 clusters (Bailey et al. 1999). Using the ONS classification as a guide the aim will be to produce a three tier hierarchy with the number of clusters more or less doubling with each tier hopefully ending in the tier with between 25 – 30 clusters e.g. (28, 14 and 7). However knowing the structure would work best theoretically does not mean that they will be the most suitable number of clusters in reality for the data that has been used. The method used to choose the clusters the number of clusters was to examine the relative increase in the sum of squares. The tiers that are suitable for selection are those that where the sum of squares shows a sharp rise immediately afterwards, therefore those tiers having clusters which are most compact clusters. Figure 2 shows how the three tiers for the

classification were chosen the graph clearly shows a significant increase in the sums of squares immediately after the tiers with 26, 13 and 5 clusters.

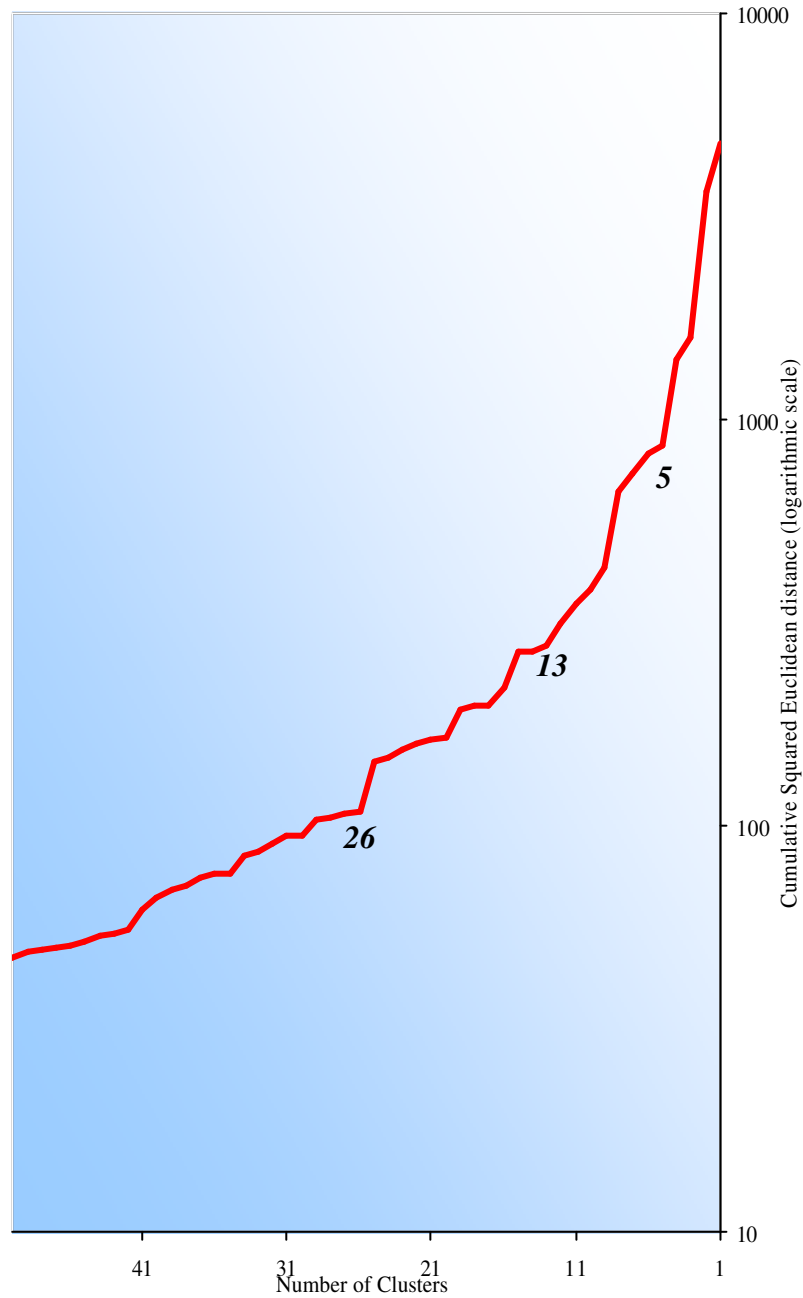


Figure 2 The distance between the most dissimilar local authorities within merged clusters

As for approximately doubling in the number of clusters with each tier, 5 to 13 shows an increase of 2.6 times, and 13 to 26 doubles exactly. Both the number of clusters produced and

the increase in the number of clusters between tiers fit within the framework that was identified as being appropriate before the clustering process.

6 Classification Outputs

A three tier hierarchy of clusters has been created and will be referred to in the following way the tier with 5 clusters as Families, the tier with 13 clusters as Groups, the tier with 26 clusters as Classes. Table 6 shows how the Families, Groups and Classes fit together and the way in which they have been labelled and named. Table 7 shows which Family, Group and Class that each local authority fit into. The methods behind the process of naming are outlined in section 5.

6.1 The Structure of Families, Groups and Classes

Although the clusters can be easily named Family A, Group A3, Class A3a etc this tells nothing about the Local Authorities within the clusters, there is no indication of where the areas may be or the characteristics that the areas may have. Therefore each Family, Group and Class requires a name. Before each cluster can be named they need to be explained in terms of their geography and their social make-up.

Names are a very useful aide-mémoire for users. However, they are quite short pieces of information and hide a lot of variety. Profiles of the variable values linked to the named cluster help give the user a quick and straightforward insight into the make-up of each cluster. Naming the five families is not a difficult process as they are uncomplicated and reflect the underlying geography of the UK. Naming the groups and clusters is a little trickier. The increased number of clusters makes the geography much less of an indicator of why they have been placed into that individual cluster (although a good knowledge of the geography of the UK and the likely social characteristics of people in each area is invaluable). To accurately assess and provide a name for each group and class the variables, which power each cluster, need to be investigated. By finding the average value of each variable in each cluster, it can be established which variables have the most effect on each cluster. By

knowing which variables have the most effect on shaping the character of each cluster a suitable name can be given to the cluster as the defining characteristics of that cluster are known. For example if the most distinct characteristic for a cluster is a very low value for population density it is likely the area is rural, we then may wish to label the cluster as rural areas.

Before the 434 Local Authority areas were clustered the variables were standardised with the use of z-scores. This is a decision that we are grateful for at this point as the standardisation now makes it easy to assess which values are large (positive and negative). The average z-score for each variable across all Local Authorities is 0 with a positive value being above the average and a negative value being below average with the size of the number indicating the strength of the value. By calculating the average z-score value of each variable within each cluster it is possible to pick out which variables have extreme values in cluster. The extreme values within the clusters will be for those variables that are most distinct within that area and therefore characterise it most accurately.

For each cluster the variables with the most extreme values were selected to explain the characteristics of the cluster. By examining these variables it is now possible to see which have been the most important variables in terms of the creation of each cluster. By using this information along with any useful geographic information that the names and locations of each LA within the cluster may give, each cluster can be given a suitable name.

It is important to remember when naming the clusters not give them derogatory names. The purpose of giving the clusters names is not so we can instantly assess whether one area is better than another but to quickly get some idea of where the area is likely to be and the characteristics of the people who live there. It is all too easy to let personal preference for or prejudices about an area cloud one's judgement when naming clusters. Bill Bryson expressed the view that "*Bradford's role in life is to make every place else in the World look better in comparison*" (Bryson 1995) Taking Bryson's view as inspiration, class A2c containing Bradford could be named '*the worst places in the UK*'. However, this would import serious prejudice to the classification system and would seriously offend anyone who lives in an area that falls within cluster A2c.

Table 6 The structure of Families, Groups and Classes

| 5 Families | 13 Groups | 26 Classes |
|---|---|--|
| A: Urban UK (103 LAs 35.8% population) | A1: Industrial Legacy (38 LAs 9.4% population) | A1a: Industrial Legacy (38 LAs 9.4% population) |
| | A2: Established Urban Centres (43 LAs 17.7% population) | A2a: Struggling Urban Manufacturing (14 LAs 5.6% population) A2b: Regional Centres (6 LAs 3.0% population) A2c: Multicultural England (13 LAs 6.1% population) A2d: M8 Corridor (10 LAs 3.0% population) |
| | A3: Young & Vibrant Cities (22 LAs 8.7% population) | A3a: Redeveloping Urban Centres (14 LAs 6.7% population) A3b: Young Multicultural (5 LAs 2.0% population) |
| B: Rural UK (205 LAs 36.2% population) | B1: Rural Britain (93 LAs 14.7% population) | B1a: Rural Extremes (24 LAs 2.7% population) B1b: Agricultural Fringe (35 LAs 5.8% population) B1c: Rural Fringe (39 LAs 6.2% population) |
| | B2: Coastal Britain (44 LAs 7.6% population) | B2a: Coastal Resorts (8 LAs 1.7% population) B2b: Aged Coastal Extremities (28 LAs 4.6% population) B2c: Aged Coastal Resorts (8 LAs 3.0% population) |
| | B3: Averageville (67 LAs 14.0% population) | B3a: Mixed Urban (41 LAs 8.8% population) B3b: Typical Towns (26 LAs 5.2% population) |
| | B4: Isles of Scilly (1 LA 0.0037% population) | B4a: Isles of Scilly (1 LA 0.0037% population) |
| C: Prosperous Britain (77 LAs 16.3% population) | C1: Prosperous Urbanites (23 LAs 5.4% population) | C1a: Historic Cities (3 LAs 2.7% population) C1b: Thriving outer London (10 LAs 2.7% population) |
| | C2: Commuter Belt (54 LAs 10.9% population) | C2a: the Commuter Belt (54 LAs 10.9% population) |
| D: Urban London (26 LAs 9.6% population) | D1: Multicultural Outer London (11 LAs 4.4% population) | D1a: Multicultural Outer London (11 LAs 4.4% population) |
| | D2: Mercantile Inner London (7 LAs 2.0% population) | D2a: Central London (6 LAs 1.9% population) D2b: City of London (1 LA 0.01% population) |
| | D3: Cosmopolitan Inner London (8 LAs 3.2% population) | D3a: Afro-Caribbean Ethnic Borough (5 LAs 2.0% population) D3b: Multicultural Inner London (3 LAs 1.2% population) |
| E: Northern Irish Heartlands (23 LAs 2.2% population) | E1: Northern Irish Heartlands (23 LAs 2.2% population) | E1a: Northern Irish Urban Growth (10 LAs 1.1% population) E1b: Rural Northern Ireland (13 LAs 1.1% population) |

6.2 Table 7 The LA to cluster look-up table

| <i>Authority Name</i> | <i>Family</i> | <i>Group</i> | <i>Class</i> | <i>Authority Name</i> | <i>Family</i> | <i>Group</i> | <i>Class</i> |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Aberdeen City UA | A | A3 | A3b | Bristol, City of UA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Aberdeenshire UA | B | B1 | B1a | Broadland LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Adur LA | B | B2 | B2b | Bromley LB | C | C2 | C2a |
| Allerdale LA | B | B2 | B2b | Bromsgrove LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Alnwick LA | B | B1 | B1a | Broxbourne LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Amber Valley LA | B | B3 | B3a | Broxtowe LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Angus UA | B | B1 | B1a | Burnley LA | A | A2 | A2c |
| Antrim | E | E1 | E1a | Bury LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Ards | E | E1 | E1a | Caerphilly UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Argyll and Bute UA | B | B1 | B1a | Calderdale LA | A | A2 | A2c |
| Armagh | E | E1 | E1b | Cambridge LA | A | A3 | A3b |
| Arun LA | B | B2 | B2c | Camden LB | D | D2 | D2a |
| Ashfield LA | A | A1 | A1a | Cannock Chase LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Ashford LA | B | B1 | B1c | Canterbury LA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Aylesbury Vale LA | C | C2 | C2a | Caradon LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Babergh LA | B | B1 | B1c | Cardiff UA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Ballymena | E | E1 | E1a | Carlisle LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Ballymoney | E | E1 | E1b | Carmarthenshire UA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Banbridge | E | E1 | E1a | Carrick LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Barking and Dagenham LB | A | A2 | A2a | Carrickfergus | E | E1 | E1a |
| Barnet LB | D | D1 | D1a | Castle Morpeth LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Barnsley LA | A | A1 | A1a | Castle Point LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Barrow-in-Furness LA | A | A1 | A1a | Castlereagh | B | B3 | B3a |
| Basildon LA | B | B3 | B3b | Ceredigion UA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Basingstoke and Deane LA | C | C2 | C2a | Charnwood LA | C | C1 | C1a |
| Bassetlaw LA | B | B3 | B3a | Chelmsford LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Bath and North East Somerset UA | C | C1 | C1a | Cheltenham LA | C | C1 | C1a |
| Bedford LA | C | C1 | C1a | Cherwell LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Belfast | A | A2 | A2a | Chester LA | C | C1 | C1a |
| Berwick-upon-Tweed LA | B | B1 | B1a | Chesterfield LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Bexley LB | B | B3 | B3a | Chester-le-Street LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Birmingham LA | A | A2 | A2c | Chichester LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Blaby LA | B | B1 | B1c | Chiltern LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Blackburn with Darwen UA | A | A2 | A2c | Chorley LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Blackpool UA | B | B2 | B2a | Christchurch LA | B | B2 | B2c |
| Blaenau Gwent UA | A | A1 | A1a | City of London LB | D | D2 | D2b |
| Blyth Valley LA | A | A1 | A1a | Clackmannanshire UA | A | A2 | A2d |
| Bolsover LA | A | A1 | A1a | Colchester LA | C | C1 | C1a |
| Bolton LA | A | A2 | A2c | Coleraine | E | E1 | E1b |
| Boston LA | B | B1 | B1b | Congleton LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Bournemouth UA | B | B2 | B2a | Conwy UA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Bracknell Forest UA | C | C1 | C1b | Cookstown | E | E1 | E1b |
| Bradford LA | A | A2 | A2c | Copeland LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Braintree LA | B | B1 | B1c | Corby LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Breckland LA | B | B1 | B1b | Cotswold LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Brent LB | D | D3 | D3b | Coventry LA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Brentwood LA | C | C2 | C2a | Craigavon | E | E1 | E1a |
| Bridgend UA | A | A1 | A1a | Craven LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Bridgnorth LA | B | B1 | B1c | Crawley LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Brighton and Hove UA | A | A3 | A3b | Crewe and Nantwich LA | B | B3 | B3a |

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|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Croydon LB | D | D1 | D1a | Forest Heath LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Dacorum LA | C | C2 | C2a | Forest of Dean LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Darlington UA | A | A1 | A1a | Fylde LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Dartford LA | B | B3 | B3b | Gateshead LA | A | A2 | A2a |
| Daventry LA | C | C2 | C2a | Gedling LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Denbighshire UA | B | B2 | B2b | Glasgow City UA | A | A2 | A2b |
| Derby UA | A | A3 | A3a | Gloucester LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Derbyshire Dales LA | B | B1 | B1b | Gosport LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Derry | E | E1 | E1b | Gravesham LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Derwentside LA | A | A1 | A1a | Great Yarmouth LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Doncaster LA | A | A1 | A1a | Greenwich LB | D | D1 | D1a |
| Dover LA | B | B2 | B2b | Guildford LA | C | C1 | C1a |
| Down | E | E1 | E1a | Gwynedd UA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Dudley LA | B | B3 | B3a | Hackney LB | D | D3 | D3a |
| Dumfries and Galloway UA | B | B2 | B2b | Halton UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Dundee City UA | A | A2 | A2b | Hambleton LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Dungannon | E | E1 | E1b | Hammersmith and Fulham LB | D | D2 | D2a |
| Durham LA | A | A3 | A3a | Harborough LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Ealing LB | D | D1 | D1a | Haringey LB | D | D3 | D3a |
| Easington LA | A | A1 | A1a | Harlow LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| East Ayrshire UA | A | A2 | A2d | Harrogate LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| East Cambridgeshire LA | B | B1 | B1c | Harrow LB | D | D1 | D1a |
| East Devon LA | B | B2 | B2c | Hart LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| East Dorset LA | B | B1 | B1b | Hartlepool UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| East Dunbartonshire UA | B | B3 | B3a | Hastings LA | B | B2 | B2a |
| East Hampshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Havant LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| East Hertfordshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Havering LB | B | B3 | B3a |
| East Lindsey LA | B | B2 | B2b | Herefordshire, County of UA | B | B1 | B1b |
| East Lothian UA | B | B3 | B3b | Hertsmere LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| East Northamptonshire LA | B | B1 | B1c | High Peak LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| East Renfrewshire UA | B | B3 | B3a | Highland UA | B | B1 | B1a |
| East Riding of Yorkshire UA | B | B1 | B1b | Hillingdon LB | C | C1 | C1b |
| East Staffordshire LA | B | B3 | B3a | Hinckley and Bosworth LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Eastbourne LA | B | B2 | B2a | Horsham LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Eastleigh LA | C | C2 | C2a | Hounslow LB | D | D1 | D1a |
| Eden LA | B | B1 | B1a | Huntingdonshire LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Edinburgh, City of UA | A | A3 | A3b | Hyndburn LA | A | A2 | A2c |
| Eilean Siar UA | B | B2 | B2b | Inverclyde UA | A | A2 | A2d |
| Ellesmere Port and Neston LA | B | B3 | B3a | Ipswich LA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Elmbridge LA | C | C2 | C2a | Isle of Anglesey UA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Enfield LB | D | D1 | D1a | Isle of Wight UA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Epping Forest LA | C | C2 | C2a | Isles of Scilly LA | B | B4 | B4a |
| Epsom and Ewell LA | C | C2 | C2a | Islington LB | D | D2 | D2a |
| Erewash LA | B | B3 | B3a | Kennet LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Exeter LA | A | A3 | A3a | Kensington and Chelsea LB | D | D2 | D2a |
| Falkirk UA | A | A2 | A2d | Kerrier LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Fareham LA | B | B1 | B1c | Kettering LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Fenland LA | B | B1 | B1b | King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Fermanagh | E | E1 | E1b | Kingston upon Hull, City of UA | A | A2 | A2a |
| Fife UA | A | A2 | A2d | Kingston upon Thames LB | C | C1 | C1b |
| Flintshire UA | B | B3 | B3a | Kirklees LA | A | A2 | A2c |

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|-------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Knowsley LA | A | A2 | A2a | North East Derbyshire LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Lambeth LB | D | D3 | D3a | North East Lincolnshire UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Lancaster LA | A | A3 | A3a | North Hertfordshire LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Larne | E | E1 | E1a | North Kesteven LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Leeds LA | A | A3 | A3a | North Lanarkshire UA | A | A2 | A2d |
| Leicester UA | A | A2 | A2c | North Lincolnshire UA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Lewes LA | B | B1 | B1b | North Norfolk LA | B | B2 | B2c |
| Lewisham LB | D | D3 | D3a | North Shropshire LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Lichfield LA | B | B1 | B1c | North Somerset UA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Limavady | E | E1 | E1b | North Tyneside LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Lincoln LA | A | A3 | A3a | North Warwickshire LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Lisburn | E | E1 | E1a | North West Leicestershire LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Liverpool LA | A | A2 | A2a | North Wiltshire LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Luton UA | D | D1 | D1a | Northampton LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Macclesfield LA | C | C2 | C2a | Norwich LA | A | A2 | A2b |
| Magherafelt | E | E1 | E1b | Nottingham UA | A | A2 | A2b |
| Maidstone LA | C | C2 | C2a | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Maldon LA | B | B1 | B1c | Oadby and Wigston LA | C | C1 | C1a |
| Malvern Hills LA | B | B1 | B1b | Oldham LA | A | A2 | A2c |
| Manchester LA | A | A2 | A2b | Omagh | E | E1 | E1b |
| Mansfield LA | A | A1 | A1a | Orkney Islands UA | B | B1 | B1a |
| Medway UA | B | B3 | B3b | Oswestry LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Melton LA | B | B1 | B1c | Oxford LA | A | A3 | A3b |
| Mendip LA | B | B1 | B1b | Pembrokeshire UA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Merthyr Tydfil UA | A | A1 | A1a | Pendle LA | A | A2 | A2c |
| Merton LB | C | C1 | C1b | Penwith LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Mid Bedfordshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Perth and Kinross UA | B | B1 | B1a |
| Mid Devon LA | B | B1 | B1b | Peterborough UA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Mid Suffolk LA | B | B1 | B1c | Plymouth UA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Mid Sussex LA | C | C2 | C2a | Poole UA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Middlesbrough UA | A | A2 | A2a | Portsmouth UA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Midlothian UA | B | B3 | B3b | Powys UA | B | B1 | B1a |
| Milton Keynes UA | C | C1 | C1b | Preston LA | A | A3 | A3a |
| Mole Valley LA | C | C2 | C2a | Purbeck LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Monmouthshire UA | B | B1 | B1b | Reading UA | C | C1 | C1b |
| Moray UA | B | B1 | B1a | Redbridge LB | D | D1 | D1a |
| Moyle | E | E1 | E1b | Redcar and Cleveland UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Neath Port Talbot UA | A | A1 | A1a | Redditch LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| New Forest LA | B | B1 | B1b | Reigate and Banstead LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Newark and Sherwood LA | B | B3 | B3a | Renfrewshire UA | A | A2 | A2d |
| Newcastle-under-Lyme LA | B | B3 | B3a | Restormel LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Newcastle upon Tyne LA | A | A2 | A2b | Rhondda, Cynon, Taff UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Newham LB | D | D3 | D3b | Ribble Valley LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Newport UA | A | A1 | A1a | Richmond upon Thames LB | C | C1 | C1b |
| Newry and Mourne | E | E1 | E1b | Richmondshire LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Newtownabbey | E | E1 | E1a | Rochdale LA | A | A2 | A2c |
| North Ayrshire UA | A | A2 | A2d | Rochford LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| North Cornwall LA | B | B2 | B2b | Rossendale LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| North Devon LA | B | B2 | B2b | Rother LA | B | B2 | B2c |
| North Dorset LA | B | B1 | B1b | Rotherham LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| North Down | B | B3 | B3a | Rugby LA | B | B3 | B3a |

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|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Runnymede LA | C | C1 | C1a | Stockport LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Rushcliffe LA | C | C2 | C2a | Stockton-on-Tees UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Rushmoor LA | C | C1 | C1b | Stoke-on-Trent UA | A | A2 | A2a |
| Rutland UA | B | B1 | B1c | Strabane | E | E1 | E1b |
| Ryedale LA | B | B1 | B1a | Stratford-upon-Avon LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Salford LA | A | A2 | A2a | Stroud LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| Salisbury LA | B | B1 | B1c | Suffolk Coastal LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Sandwell LA | A | A2 | A2a | Sunderland LA | A | A2 | A2a |
| Scarborough LA | B | B2 | B2b | Surrey Heath LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Scottish Borders, The UA | B | B1 | B1a | Sutton LB | C | C1 | C1b |
| Sedgefield LA | A | A1 | A1a | Swale LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Sedgemoor LA | B | B1 | B1b | Swansea UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Sefton LA | A | A1 | A1a | Swindon UA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Selby LA | B | B1 | B1c | Tameside LA | A | A2 | A2c |
| Sevenoaks LA | C | C2 | C2a | Tamworth LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Sheffield LA | A | A3 | A3a | Tandridge LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Shepway LA | B | B2 | B2b | Taunton Deane LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Shetland Islands UA | B | B1 | B1a | Teesdale LA | B | B1 | B1a |
| Shrewsbury and Atcham LA | B | B1 | B1b | Teignbridge LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Slough UA | D | D1 | D1a | Telford and Wrekin UA | B | B3 | B3b |
| Solihull LA | B | B3 | B3a | Tendring LA | B | B2 | B2c |
| South Ayrshire UA | A | A1 | A1a | Test Valley LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| South Bedfordshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Tewkesbury LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| South Bucks LA | C | C2 | C2a | Thanet LA | B | B2 | B2a |
| South Cambridgeshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Three Rivers LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| South Derbyshire LA | B | B1 | B1c | Thurrock UA | B | B3 | B3b |
| South Gloucestershire UA | C | C2 | C2a | Tonbridge and Malling LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| South Hams LA | B | B1 | B1a | Torbay UA | B | B2 | B2a |
| South Holland LA | B | B1 | B1b | Torfaen UA | A | A1 | A1a |
| South Kesteven LA | B | B1 | B1c | Torridge LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| South Lakeland LA | B | B1 | B1a | Tower Hamlets LB | D | D3 | D3b |
| South Lanarkshire UA | A | A2 | A2d | Trafford LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| South Norfolk LA | B | B1 | B1c | Tunbridge Wells LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| South Northamptonshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Tynedale LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| South Oxfordshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Uttlesford LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| South Ribble LA | B | B3 | B3a | Vale of Glamorgan, The UA | B | B3 | B3a |
| South Shropshire LA | B | B1 | B1a | Vale of White Horse LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| South Somerset LA | B | B1 | B1b | Vale Royal LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| South Staffordshire LA | B | B1 | B1c | Wakefield LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| South Tyneside LA | A | A2 | A2a | Walsall LA | A | A2 | A2a |
| Southampton UA | A | A3 | A3a | Waltham Forest LB | D | D1 | D1a |
| Southend-on-Sea UA | B | B2 | B2a | Wandsworth LB | D | D2 | D2a |
| Southwark LB | D | D3 | D3a | Wansbeck LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Spelthorne LA | C | C2 | C2a | Warrington UA | B | B3 | B3a |
| St. Albans LA | C | C2 | C2a | Warwick LA | C | C1 | C1a |
| St. Edmundsbury LA | B | B1 | B1c | Watford LA | C | C1 | C1b |
| St. Helens LA | A | A1 | A1a | Waveney LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Stafford LA | B | B3 | B3a | Waverley LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Staffordshire Moorlands LA | B | B1 | B1b | Wealden LA | B | B1 | B1b |
| Stevenage LA | B | B3 | B3b | Wear Valley LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| Stirling UA | C | C1 | C1a | Wellingborough LA | B | B3 | B3b |

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|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Welwyn Hatfield LA | C | C1 | C1a | Winchester LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| West Berkshire UA | C | C2 | C2a | Windsor and Maidenhead UA | C | C2 | C2a |
| West Devon LA | B | B1 | B1a | Wirral LA | A | A1 | A1a |
| West Dorset LA | B | B2 | B2c | Woking LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| West Dunbartonshire UA | A | A2 | A2d | Wokingham UA | C | C2 | C2a |
| West Lancashire LA | B | B3 | B3a | Wolverhampton LA | A | A2 | A2a |
| West Lindsey LA | B | B1 | B1b | Worcester LA | B | B3 | B3b |
| West Lothian UA | B | B3 | B3b | Worthing LA | B | B2 | B2a |
| West Oxfordshire LA | C | C2 | C2a | Wrexham UA | B | B3 | B3a |
| West Somerset LA | B | B2 | B2c | Wychavon LA | B | B1 | B1c |
| West Wiltshire LA | B | B1 | B1c | Wycombe LA | C | C2 | C2a |
| Westminster LB | D | D2 | D2a | Wyre Forest LA | B | B3 | B3a |
| Weymouth and Portland LA | B | B2 | B2b | Wyre LA | B | B2 | B2b |
| Wigan LA | A | A1 | A1a | York UA | C | C1 | C1a |

6.3 Pen Portraits

The naming of clusters is not the only use for the information that has been gathered as to which are the most extreme values in each cluster. This information can also be used to create *pen portraits*; these are short descriptions (or a simple list) as to what the characteristics of each cluster are. *Pen portraits* are referred to by the user of the classification system after they have established which cluster the area that they are interested in belongs. They can then read the *pen portrait* for the relevant cluster to get more information about the areas in that cluster.

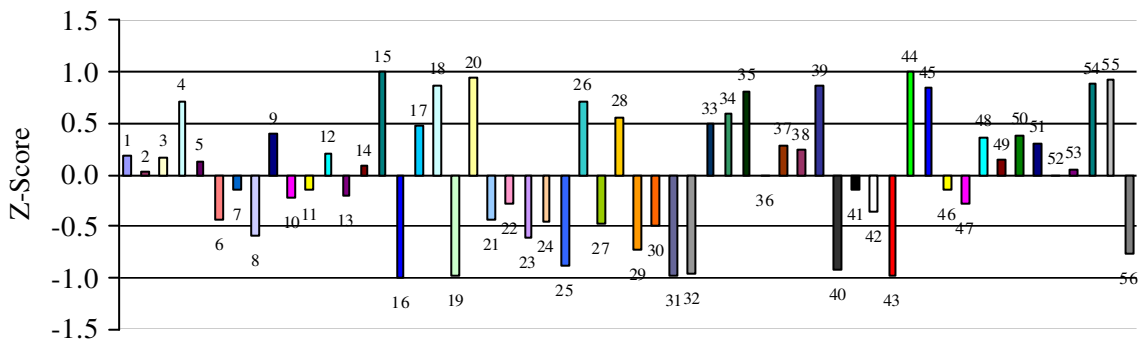
The numbers on each column on the graphs refer to the final list of 56 variables used in the classification and the various strengths of each variable with each cluster. Table 5 can be used as a key to relate the numbers to the variable names. Another point to note is that the scale of each graph varies between clusters so study them carefully.

The pen portraits, graphs and lists of LA members are provided for families, groups and classes where they are unique, to avoid unnecessary repetition. This might occur when a group has just one class. Refer back to Table 6 to see where this occurs.

6.3.1 Family A – Urban UK

103 Local Authorities containing 35.8% of the population are in this family

- 7 This Family contains the UK’s most urban Local Authorities (excluding London Boroughs). These Authorities can be found mainly in the English Midlands, North, North West and North East as well as South Wales and the urban corridor between Glasgow and Edinburgh.
- 7 The Family is characterised by poor health (15, 16), high unemployment (18, 20), low economic activity (19), low car ownership (43, 44) and a negative population change (56).
- 7 Refer to Figure 3 for a map of this cluster.

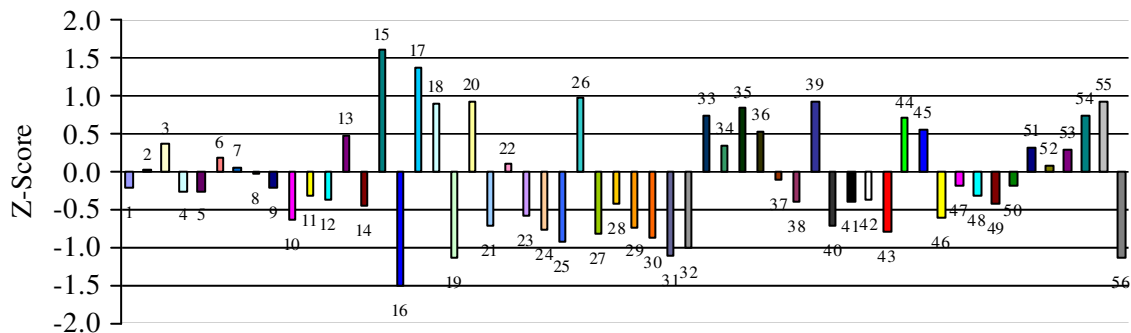


6.3.1.1 Group A1

6.3.1.1.1 Class A1a– Industrial Legacy

38 Local Authorities containing 9.4% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains many of the areas that (before their decline) were known for their heavy industry especially coal mining. The local authorities in this group are mainly centred on old mining communities such as North East England, South Yorkshire and North Nottinghamshire, and South Wales.
- 7 The class is characterised by acute poor health (15, 16) and unemployment (18) especially among men (20), with a lack of qualifications (26) resulting from their industrial past. Many are employed in routine occupations (33) and live in terraced housing (39). These areas are also experiencing significant population loss (56).
- 7 Refer to Figure 8 for a map of this cluster.



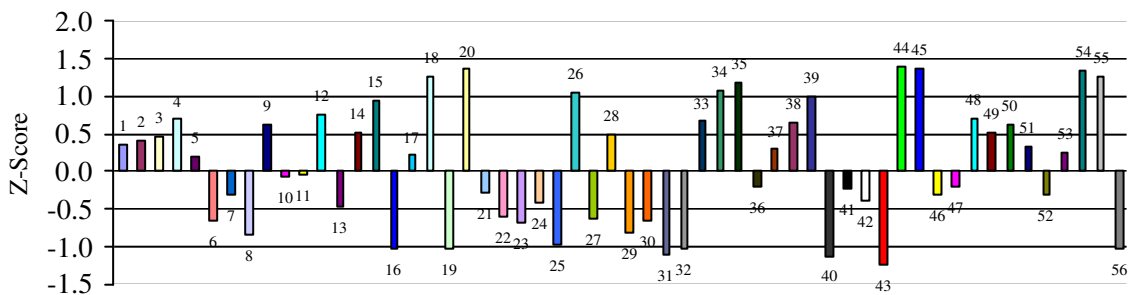
There are 38 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Ashfield LA | Copeland LA | Newport UA | Stockton-on-Tees UA |
| Barnsley LA | Darlington UA | North East Lincolnshire UA | Swansea UA |
| <i>Barrow-in-Furness LA</i> | Derwentside LA | North Tyneside LA | Torfaen UA |
| Blaenau Gwent UA | <u>Doncaster LA</u> | Redcar and Cleveland UA | Wakefield LA |
| Blyth Valley LA | Easington LA | Rhondda, Cynon, Taff UA | Wansbeck LA |
| Bolsover LA | Halton UA | Rotherham LA | Wear Valley LA |
| Bridgend UA | Hartlepool UA | Sedgefield LA | Wigan LA |
| Caerphilly UA | Mansfield LA | Sefton LA | Wirral LA |
| Chesterfield LA | Merthyr Tydfil UA | South Ayrshire UA | |
| Chester-le-Street LA | Neath Port Talbot UA | St. Helens LA | |

6.3.1.2 Group A2 – Established Urban Centres

43 Local Authorities containing 17.7% of the population are in this cluster

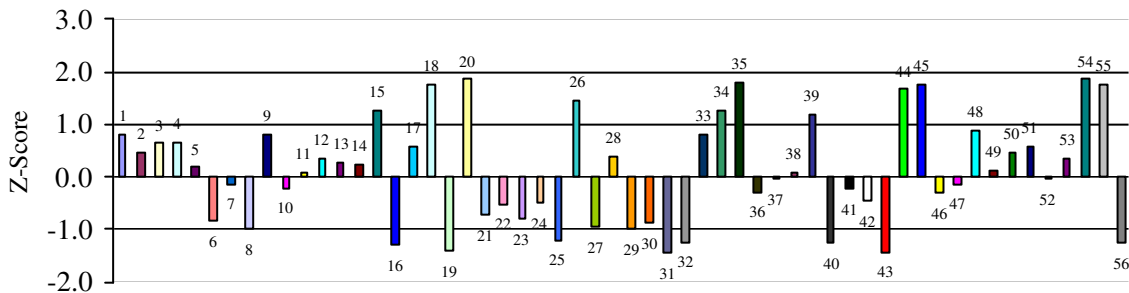
- 7 This group contains the many of the UK’s former northern industrial cities that have now diversified, many of which are currently going through a period of regeneration.
- 7 This group is characterised by acute poor health (15, 16) and unemployment (18, 20), a lack of qualifications (26) and higher level employment (29, 30, 31). Car ownership is low (43, 44), however housing type is mixed however many homes are LA rented (45); lone parent families are also common (54). A population loss is also being experienced (56).
- 7 Refer to Figure 4 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.1.2.1 Class A2a – Struggling Urban manufacturing

14 Local Authorities containing 5.6% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains old industrial areas many of which have seen their former industrial employment move into the manufacturing sector.
- 7 This class is characterised by poor health (15, 16), high unemployment (18, 20), low levels of qualification (26), low car ownership (43, 44), high levels of both council renting (45), Terraced housing (39), and one parent families (54).
- 7 Refer to Figure 8 for a map of this cluster.



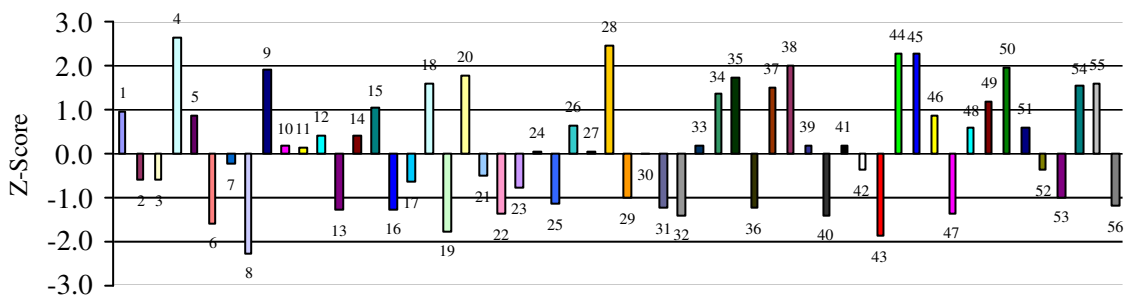
There are 14 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

- | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Barking and Dagenham LB | Knowsley LA | Sandwell LA | Walsall LA |
| <i>Belfast</i> | Liverpool LA | South Tyneside LA | Wolverhampton LA |
| Gateshead LA | Middlesbrough UA | Stoke-on-Trent UA | |
| Kingston upon Hull, City of UA | Salford LA | <u>Sunderland LA</u> | |

6.3.1.2.2 Class A2b– Regional Centres

6 Local Authorities containing 3.0% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains centres of regional importance (i.e. the biggest urban area within a region).
- 7 This class is characterised by a high number of people aged 18-24 (4), single people (9) and students (28). Comparatively low car ownership (43, 44), council housing (45), Flats (38) and single person households (50).
- 7 Refer to Figure 8 for a map of this cluster.



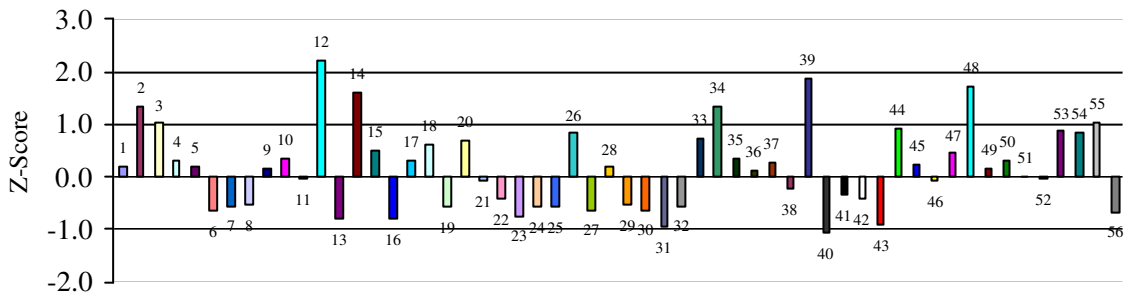
There are 6 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Dundee City UA | Manchester LA | Norwich LA |
| <i>Glasgow City UA</i> | <u>Newcastle upon Tyne LA</u> | Nottingham UA |

6.3.1.2.3 Class A2c – Multicultural England

13 Local Authorities containing 6.1% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains Cities with a large Asian population
- 7 This class is characterised by a large number of Indian, Pakistani and Bangladeshi people (12), a generally young population (2, 3), Terraced housing (39) and a comparative lack of central heating (48).
- 7 Refer to Figure 8 for a map of this cluster.



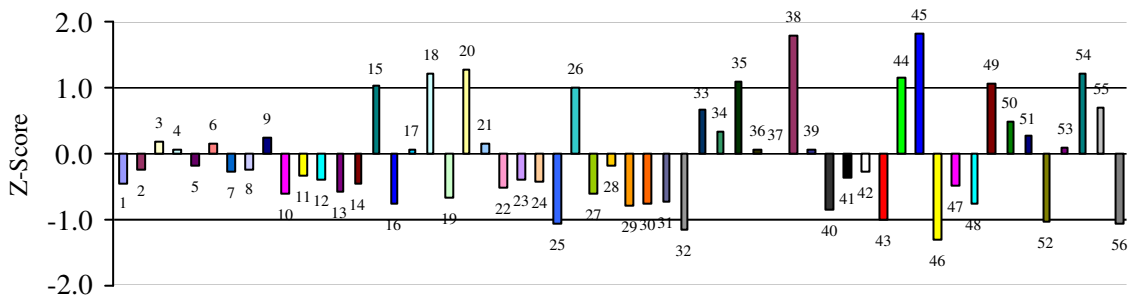
There are 13 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|--------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Birmingham LA | Burnley LA | <i>Leicester UA</i> | Tameside LA |
| Blackburn with Darwen UA | Calderdale LA | Oldham LA | |
| Bolton LA | Hyndburn LA | Pendle LA | |
| Bradford LA | Kirklees LA | <u>Rochdale LA</u> | |

6.3.1.2.4 Class A2d – M8 Corridor

10 Local Authorities containing 3.0% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains LAs in the corridor along the M8, between Edinburgh and Glasgow and nearby
- 7 This class is characterised by comparatively poor health (15), low levels of qualification (26), high proportion of people living in flats (38) many of which are accounted for by the high level of council housing (45), rented from the local authority or other public body, low car ownership (43, 44), Single parent families (54) are also common.
- 7 Refer to Figure 8 for a map of this cluster.



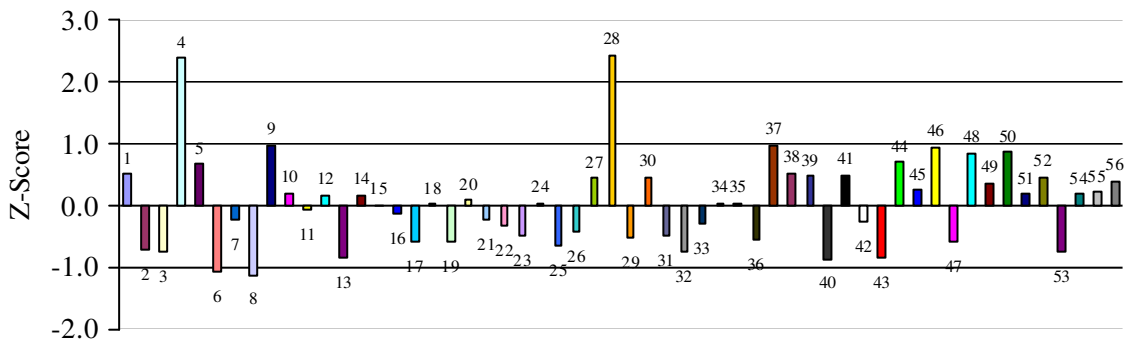
There are 10 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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| Clackmannanshire UA | Fife UA | North Lanarkshire UA | <i>West Dunbartonshire UA</i> |
| East Ayrshire UA | Inverclyde UA | Renfrewshire UA | |
| Falkirk UA | North Ayrshire UA | <u>South Lanarkshire UA</u> | |

6.3.1.3 Group A3 – Young and Vibrant Cities

22 Local Authorities containing 8.7% of the population are in this cluster

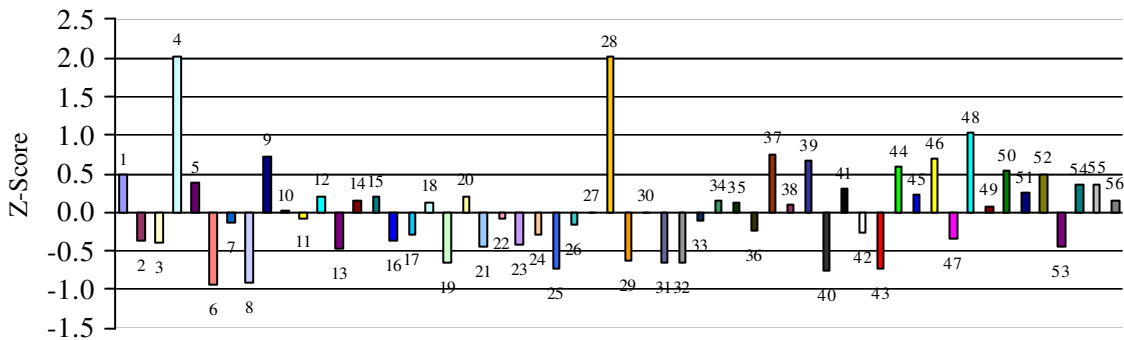
- 7 This group contains urban areas which are generally dominated by a large student population. These areas are spread throughout the UK.
- 7 This group is characterised by a large number of young adults (4) many of whom are students (28). A lack of extreme values for other variables makes this a cosmopolitan group of LAs, with a rich mix of people.
- 7 Refer to Figure 4 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.1.3.1 Class A3a – Redeveloping Urban Centres

14 Local Authorities containing 6.7% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains cities that have a comparatively young population and a strong student influence.
- 7 This class is characterised by a large number of people between the ages of 18 – 24 (4) and a large number of full time students (28).
- 7 Refer to Figure 8 for a map of this cluster.



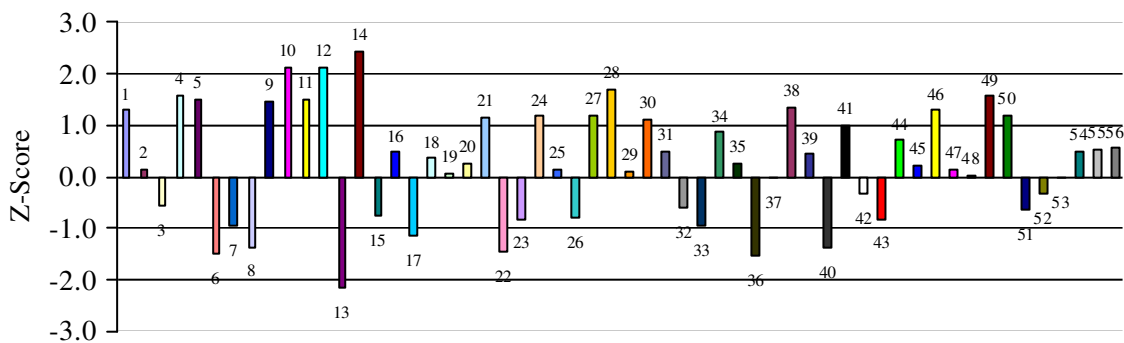
There are 14 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Bristol, City of UA | Derby UA | <u>Leeds LA</u> | Sheffield LA |
| Canterbury LA | Durham LA | Lincoln LA | Southampton UA |
| Cardiff UA | Exeter LA | Plymouth UA | |
| <i>Ceredigion UA</i> | Ipswich LA | Portsmouth UA | |
| Coventry LA | Lancaster LA | Preston LA | |

6.3.1.3.2 Class A3b– Young Multicultural

5 Local Authorities containing 2.0% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains cities which are internationally seen as educational centres.
- 7 This class is characterised by an ethnically diverse population (11, 12, 13, 14), a comparatively high number of students (28), a comparatively high number of flats (38) and low number of detached homes (40). There is also comparative overcrowding (49) in some areas.
- 7 Refer to Figure 8 for a map of this cluster.



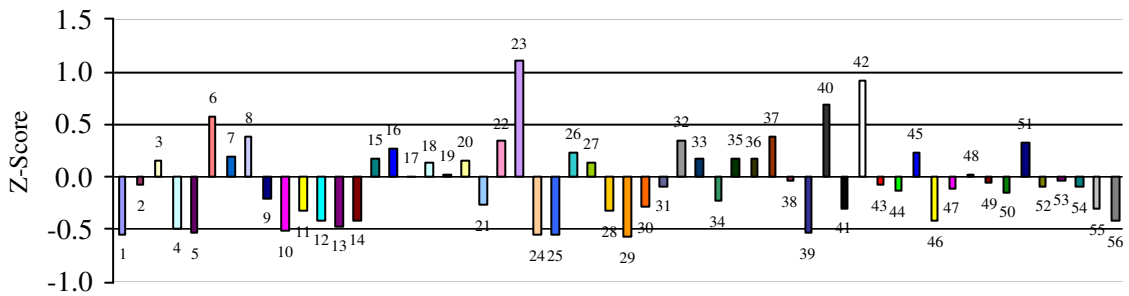
There are 5 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Aberdeen City UA | Cambridge LA | Oxford LA |
| <i>Brighton and Hove UA</i> | <u>Edinburgh, City of UA</u> | |

6.3.2 Family B - Rural UK

205 Local Authorities containing 36.2% of the population are in this cluster

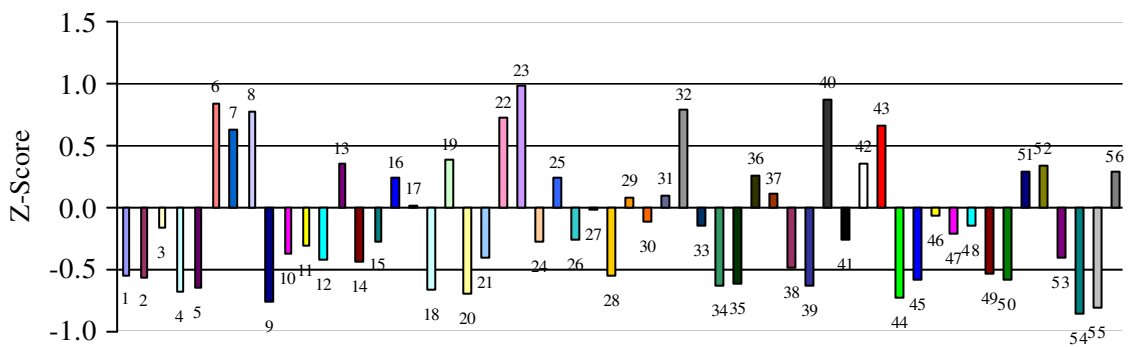
- 7 This Family contains UK's most rural Local Authorities. They are spread throughout the country, are comparatively large in area and are located away from areas of high population.
- 7 The Family is characterised by a low population density (1), a lot of employment in agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing (23), detached housing (40) and second / holiday homes (42).
- 7 Refer to Figure 3 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.2.1 Group B1 – Rural Britain

93 Local Authorities containing 14.7% of the population are in this cluster

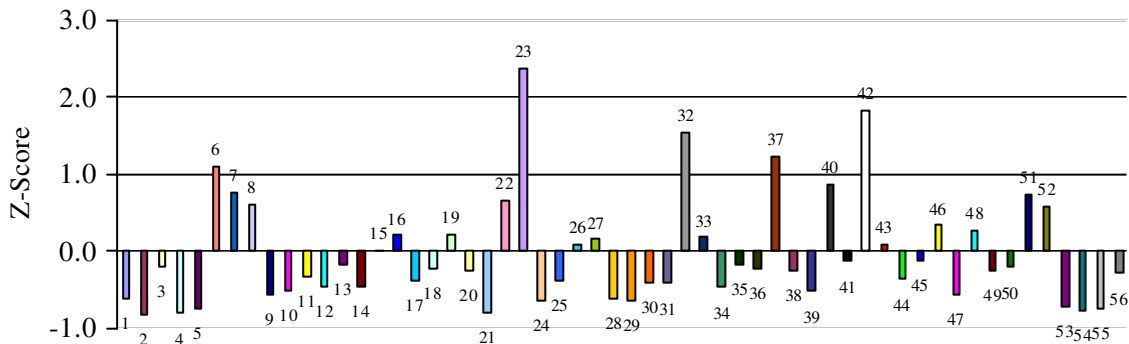
- 7 This group contains the majority of the less densely populated LAs of Britain, these consist of area that are not major towns or cities and are not coastal resorts.
- 7 This group is characterised by an old married population (6, 7, 8), with a high rate of agricultural employment (23) and a low level of unemployment (18, 20). Much of the housing is detached (40) and car ownership is fairly high (43, 44). A traditional family structure is still the norm with a relatively low number of single parents (54).
- 7 Refer to Figure 5 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.2.1.1 Class B1a – Rural Extremes

24 Local Authorities containing 2.7% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains the most rural parts of Britain
- 7 This class is characterised by high average age (6, 7), agricultural employment (23), self employment (32), people who walk to work (37) and a high number of second/holiday homes (42).
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



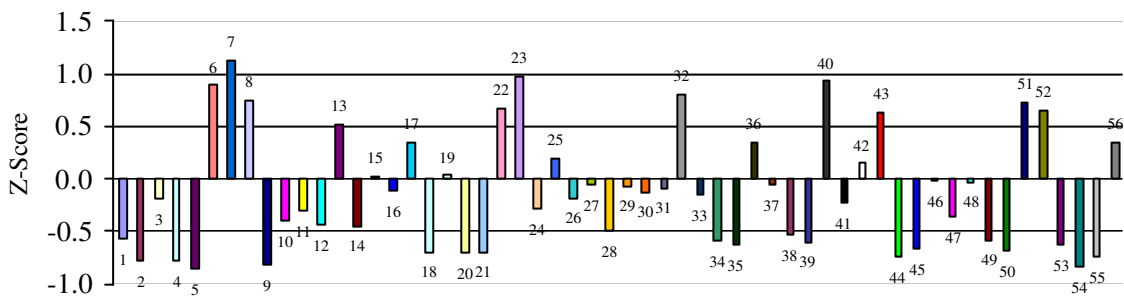
There are 24 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Aberdeenshire UA | Eden LA | Powys UA | South Lakeland LA |
| <u>Alnwick LA</u> | Highland UA | Ryedale LA | South Shropshire LA |
| Angus UA | Moray UA | Scottish Borders, The UA | Teesdale LA |
| Argyll and Bute UA | Orkney Islands UA | <i>Shetland Islands UA</i> | West Devon LA |
| Berwick-upon-Tweed LA | Perth and Kinross UA | South Hams LA | |

6.3.2.1.2 Class B1b – Agricultural Fringe

35 Local Authorities containing 5.8% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains areas which are rural in but not in the extreme. Many contain large towns or are close to an area of larger population.
- 7 This class is characterised by a relatively high average age (6, 7), some agricultural employment (23), relatively high car ownership (43, 44) and detached housing (40).
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



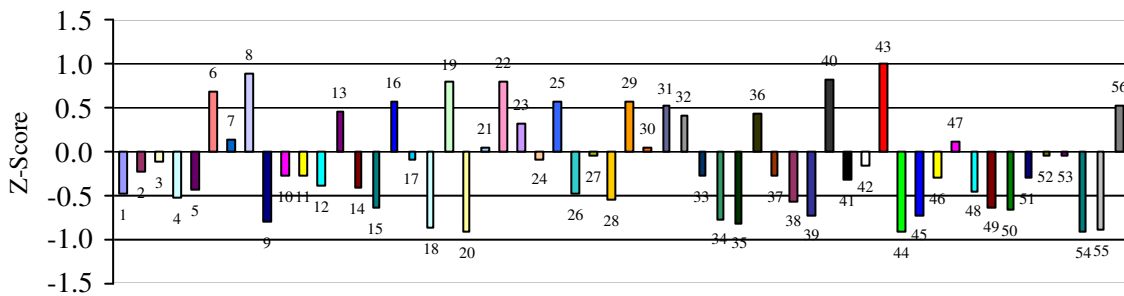
There are 35 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Boston LA | Fenland LA | Monmouthshire UA | South Somerset LA |
| Breckland LA | Forest of Dean LA | New Forest LA | Staffordshire |
| Castle Morpeth LA | Fylde LA | North Dorset LA | Moorlands LA |
| Chichester LA | Herefordshire UA | North Shropshire LA | Suffolk Coastal LA |
| Cotswold LA | King's Lynn and West | Oswestry LA | Taunton Deane LA |
| Craven LA | Norfolk LA | Purbeck LA | Teignbridge LA |
| Derbyshire Dales LA | Lewes LA | Sedgemoor LA | Tynedale LA |
| <i>East Dorset LA</i> | Malvern Hills LA | Shrewsbury and | Wealden LA |
| <u>East Riding of</u> | Mendip LA | Atcham LA | West Lindsey LA |
| <u>Yorkshire UA</u> | Mid Devon LA | South Holland LA | |

6.3.2.1.3 Class B1c– Rural Fringe

39 Local Authorities containing 6.2 % of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains districts containing one or more small towns in a rural setting that is a centre for small district.
- 7 This class is characterised by generally fairly average values but with significantly higher than average car ownership (43, 44), detached housing (40), people in good health (16) and a high number of married people (8). The employment in this cluster is mixed.
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



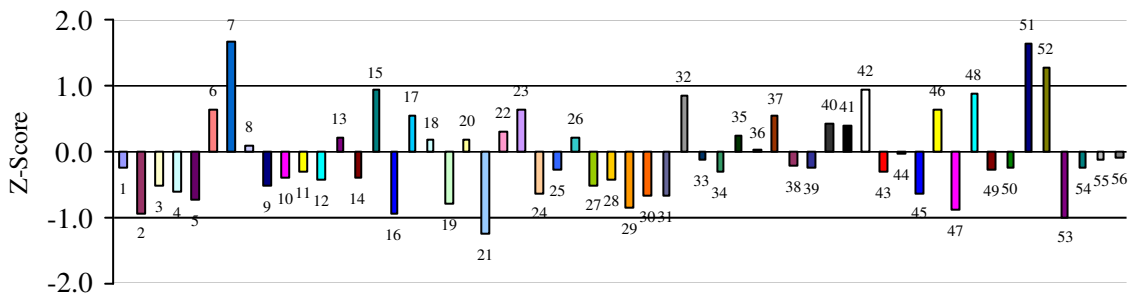
There are 39 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

| | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Ashford LA | East Northamptonshire LA | North Kesteven LA | South Kesteven LA |
| Babergh LA | Fareham LA | North Somerset UA | South Norfolk LA |
| Blaby LA | <i>Forest Heath LA</i> | Poole UA | South Staffordshire LA |
| Braintree LA | Hambleton LA | Ribble Valley LA | St. Edmundsbury LA |
| Bridgnorth LA | Harrogate LA | Richmondshire LA | Stroud LA |
| Broadland LA | Kennet LA | Rochford LA | Tewkesbury LA |
| Bromsgrove LA | Lichfield LA | Rutland UA | Tunbridge Wells LA |
| Castle Point LA | Maldon LA | Salisbury LA | West Wiltshire LA |
| Congleton LA | <u>Melton LA</u> | Selby LA | Wychavon LA |
| East Cambridgeshire LA | Mid Suffolk LA | South Derbyshire LA | |

6.3.2.2 Group B2 – Coastal Britain

44 Local Authorities containing 7.6% of the population are in this cluster

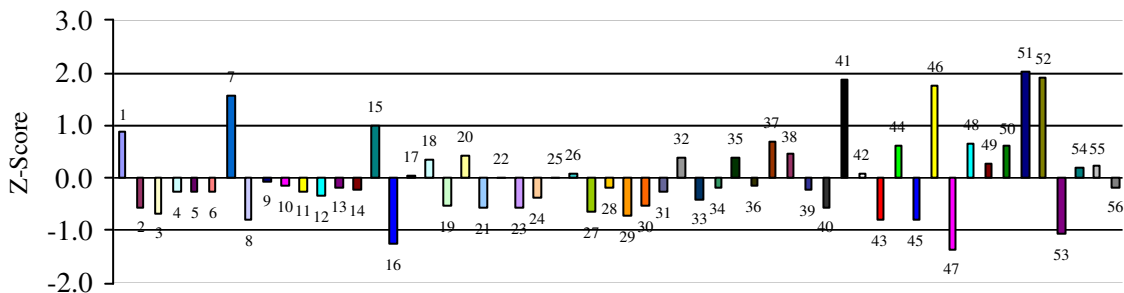
- 7 This group contains LAs that all have a coastline; they are well spread all round the coast of Britain.
- 7 This group is characterised by a large number of retired people many of whom live alone (51), there are also many couples without children (52) making this group the domain of the older Britain. Women who work in this group mainly do so, on a part time basis (22). Housing is mixed, but with some is second homes/holiday accommodation (42). Health in these areas is well below average (15, 16) although this will be affected by the high age of the residents (7).
- 7 Refer to Figure 5 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.2.2.1 ClassB2a – Coastal Resorts

8 Local Authorities containing 1.7% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains coastal areas which contain large towns or cities that are holiday centres mostly beach resorts.
- 7 This class is characterised a high number of very old people (7). The level of health in the area is below average (15, 16) which can be linked to the large number of pensioners in the cluster, many of whom live alone (51). Bedsits (41) are a more common than average form of housing in this cluster. There are a significant number of homes with two adults and no children (52), which could explain why the average house size (47) in this cluster is below average.
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



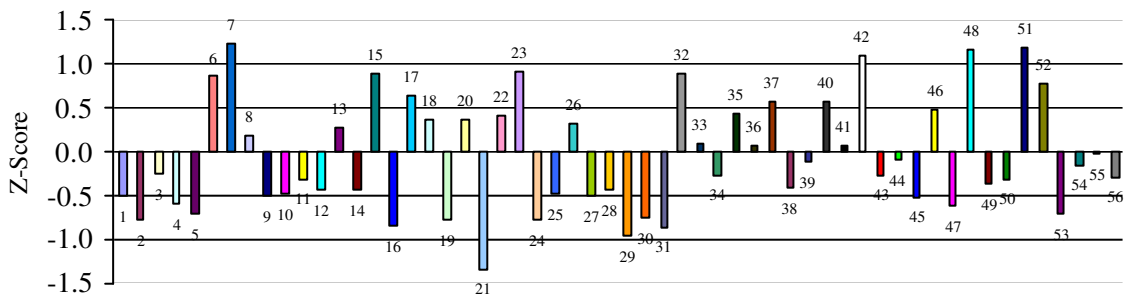
There are 8 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|---------------------|---------------|--------------------|------------------|
| <i>Blackpool UA</i> | Eastbourne LA | Southend-on-Sea UA | <u>Torbay UA</u> |
| Bournemouth UA | Hastings LA | Thanet LA | Worthing LA |

6.3.2.2.2 Class B2b – Aged Coastal Extremities

28 Local Authorities containing 4.6% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains LAs which are all on the coast but don't contain any urban areas of great size.
- 7 This class is characterised by an aged population (6, 7) with a below average level of health (15, 16). Few women in this cluster work full time (21); agriculture (23) employs a higher than average proportion of the workforce in these areas. A higher than expected numbers of homes are without central heating (48) and many of the pensioners in these areas live alone (51).
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



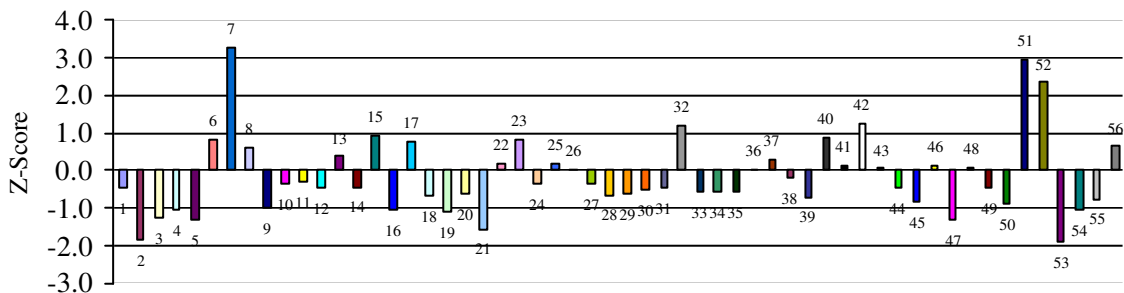
There are 28 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Kerrier LA, least typical is in *Adur LA*). They are:

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| Adur LA | Dover LA | <u>Kerrier LA</u> | Torridge LA |
| Allerdale LA | Dumfries and Galloway UA | North Cornwall LA | Waveney LA |
| Caradon LA | East Lindsey LA | North Devon LA | Weymouth and Portland LA |
| Carlisle LA | <i>Eilean Siar UA</i> | Pembrokeshire UA | LA |
| Carmarthenshire UA | Great Yarmouth LA | Penwith LA | Wyre LA |
| Carrick LA | Gwynedd UA | Restormel LA | |
| Conwy UA | Isle of Anglesey UA | Scarborough LA | |
| Denbighshire UA | Isle of Wight UA | Shepway LA | |

6.3.2.2.3 Class B2c – Aged Coastal Resorts

8 Local Authorities containing 3% of the population are in this Cluster

- 7 This class contains LAs which all have a coastal location containing several small towns but no major urban areas. Many areas in this cluster contain coastal resorts which are in decline.
- 7 This class is characterised by a very old population structure (7), with a high proportion of pensioners living alone (51), there are also many households with two adults and no children (52) and a low number of dependant children (53). There is low full time female employment (21) and a higher than expected number of people are self employed (32).
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



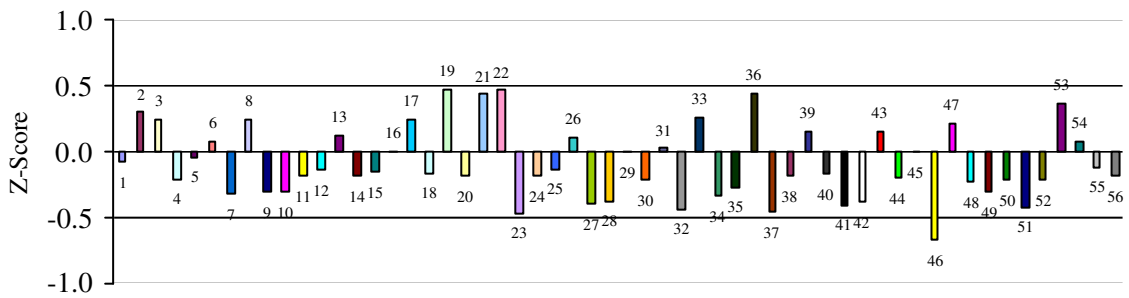
There are 8 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

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|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Arun LA | <u>East Devon LA</u> | Rother LA | West Dorset LA |
| Christchurch LA | North Norfolk LA | Tendring LA | <i>West Somerset LA</i> |

6.3.2.3 Group B3 – Averageville

67 Local Authorities containing 14.0% of the population are in this cluster

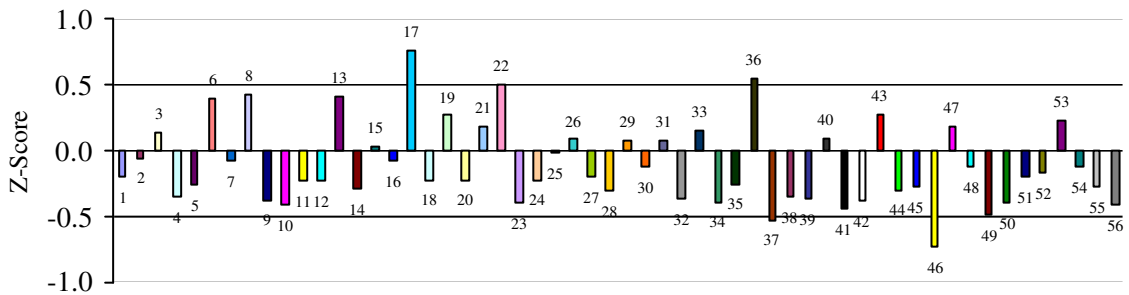
- 7 This group contains LAs that are neither totally urban nor completely rural. They appear in three main groups one to the south east of London, one in the south of Scotland, and a large group in the midlands and south Lancashire and Yorkshire.
- 7 This group is characterised by the fact that they are the most average collection of LAs in the UK. The scale of the graph is much smaller than for all the other clusters.
- 7 Refer to Figure 5 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.2.3.1 Class B3a – Mixed Urban

41 Local Authorities containing 8.8% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class mainly contains suburban areas on the outskirts of large urban areas.
- 7 This class is characterised by very little; there are no extreme values. However, the age structure is old rather than young, and the cluster seems to be wealthier than average.
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



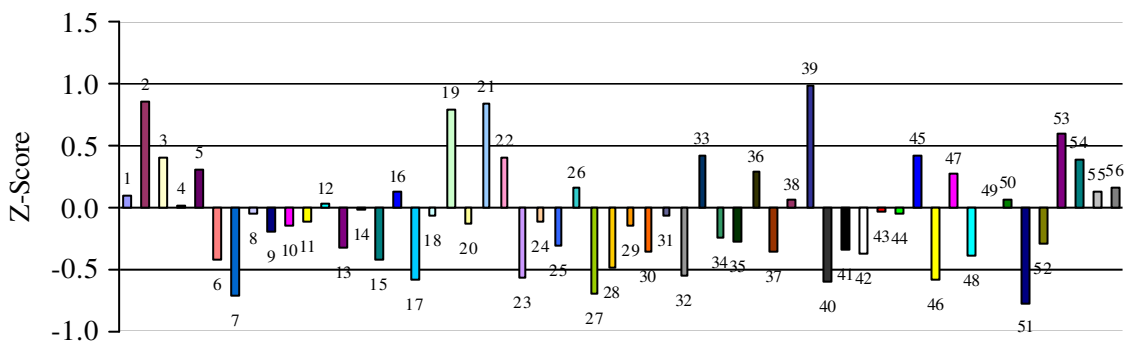
There are 41 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Amber Valley LA | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA | North Down | Trafford LA |
| Bassetlaw LA | LA | North East Derbyshire LA | Vale of Glamorgan, The UA |
| Bexley LB | Erewash LA | North Lincolnshire UA | Vale Royal LA |
| Broxtowe LA | <u>Flintshire UA</u> | North Warwickshire LA | Warrington UA |
| Cannock Chase LA | Gedling LA | North West Leicestershire LA | West Lancashire LA |
| Castlereagh | Havant LA | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA | Wrexham UA |
| Chorley LA | Havering LB | Rugby LA | Wyre Forest LA |
| Crewe and Nantwich LA | High Peak LA | Solihull LA | |
| Dudley LA | Hinckley and Bosworth LA | South Ribble LA | |
| East Dunbartonshire UA | Kettering LA | Stafford LA | |
| <i>East Renfrewshire UA</i> | Newark and Sherwood LA | Stockport LA | |
| East Staffordshire LA | Newcastle-under-Lyme LA | | |

6.3.2.3.2 Class B3b – Typical Towns

26 Local Authorities containing 5.2% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains small cities/ large towns or suburban areas close to larger urban areas.
- 7 This class is characterised by little mainly average values however a generally young age structure, with a fairly high proportion of women working full time (21). Much of the housing is terraced (39).
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



There are 26 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

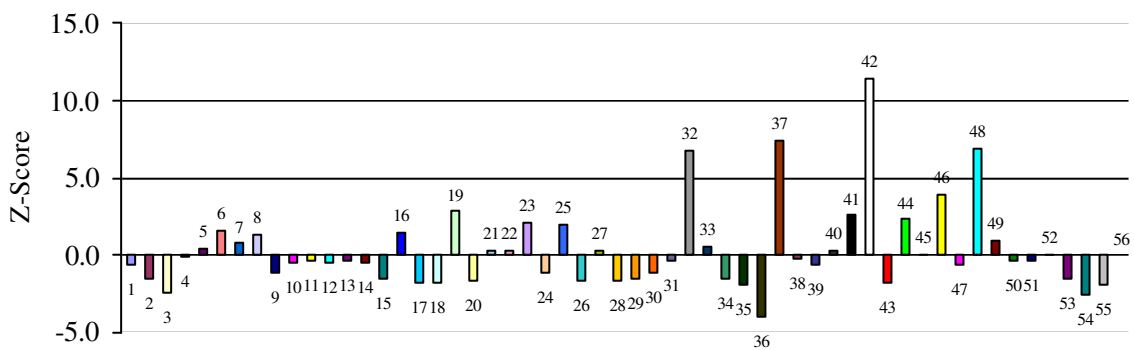
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| <u>Basildon LA</u> | Gloucester LA | Peterborough UA | Telford and Wrekin UA |
| Broxbourne LA | Gosport LA | Redditch LA | Thurrock UA |
| Bury LA | Gravesham LA | Rossendale LA | Wellingborough LA |
| <i>Corby LA</i> | Harlow LA | Stevenage LA | West Lothian UA |
| Crawley LA | Medway UA | Swale LA | Worcester LA |
| Dartford LA | Midlothian UA | Swindon UA | |
| East Lothian UA | Northampton LA | Tamworth LA | |

6.3.2.4 Group B4 - Isles of Scilly

6.3.2.4.1 ClassB4a - Isles of Scilly

1 Local Authority containing 0.0037% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains the Isles of Scilly only.
- 7 This class is characterised by a high number of self employed people (32), a large number of people who walk to work (37) few who go by car (36). The area contains an extremely large proportion of holiday/second homes (42) and large proportion of homes which don't have central heating (48). It is unique within the UK due to its small size in a rural setting. However a lot of the extreme values are due to the small population size.
- 7 Refer to Figure 9 for a map of this cluster.



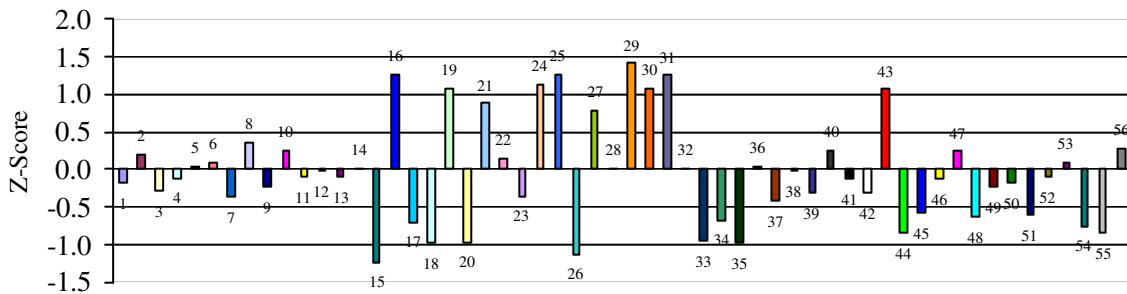
There is 1 Local Authority in this Class. It is:

Isles of Scilly LA

6.3.3 Family C – Prosperous Britain

77 Local Authorities containing 16.3% of the population are in this cluster

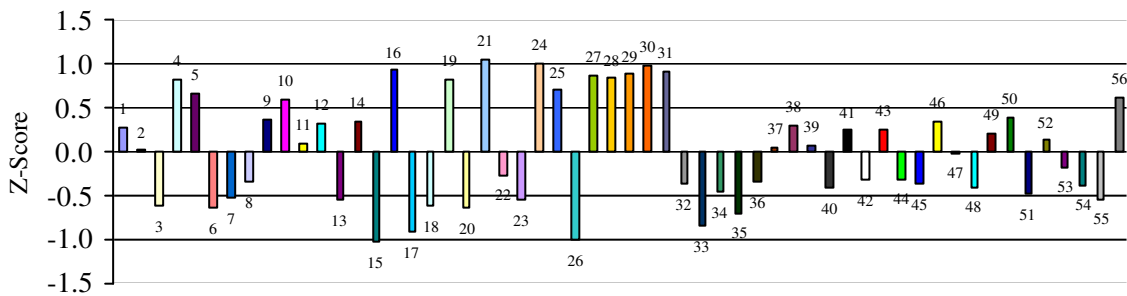
- 7 This Family contains Britain’s most prosperous Local Authorities. Typical local authorities in this family include the commuter zone around London and some other large cities, plus some of the Britain’s smaller historic cities.
- 7 The Family is characterised by Good health (15, 16), Low unemployment (18, 20), an economically active community (19), highly qualified (27) mobile people, high car ownership (43, 44) and traditional family values (54).
- 7 Refer to Figure 3 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.3.1 Group C1 – Prosperous Urbanites

23 Local Authorities containing 5.4% of the population are in this cluster

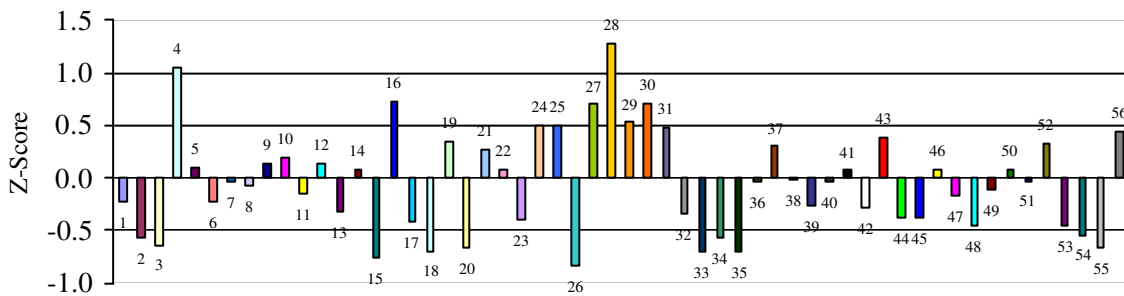
- 7 This group contains a collection of non industrial medium sized urban centres and London Boroughs.
- 7 This group is characterised by good health (15, 16) and high levels of employment, especially in managerial positions (29, 30, 31). Housing is very mixed as is the social structure.
- 7 Refer to Figure 6 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.3.1.1 Class C1a - Historic Cities

13 local Authorities containing 2.7% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains small cities many of which have a historic legacy generally in a rural setting therefore acting as a regional centre.
- 7 This class is characterised by a large number of residents between 18 -24 (4) many of who are students (28). People living in this cluster are generally in good health (15, 16).
- 7 Refer to Figure 10 for a map of this cluster.



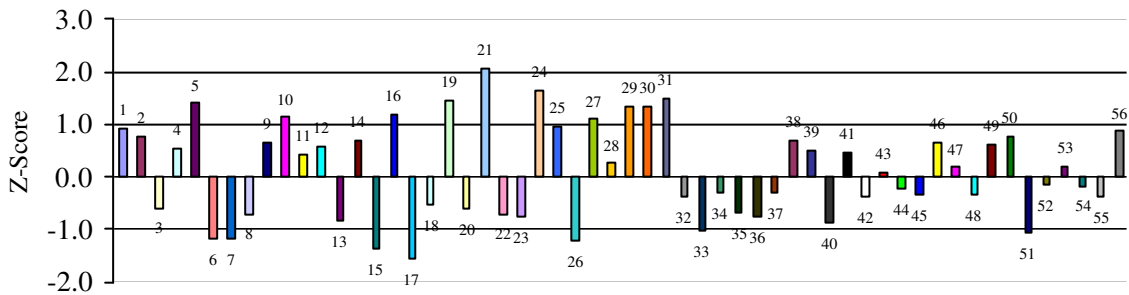
There are 13 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

- | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|
| Bath and North East Somerset UA | Chester LA | Runnymede LA | York UA |
| Bedford LA | <u>Colchester LA</u> | Stirling UA | |
| Charnwood LA | Guildford LA | Warwick LA | |
| Cheltenham LA | <i>Oadby and Wigston LA</i> | Welwyn Hatfield LA | |

6.3.3.1.2 Class C1b - Thriving Outer London

10 Local Authorities containing 2.7% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains rich London suburbs and large towns in the vicinity of London.
- 7 This class is characterised by a young demographic profile with a below average rate of married persons (8), managerial employment is higher than average (29, 30, 31) and a very mixed urban structure.
- 7 Refer to Figure 10 for a map of this cluster.



There are 10 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

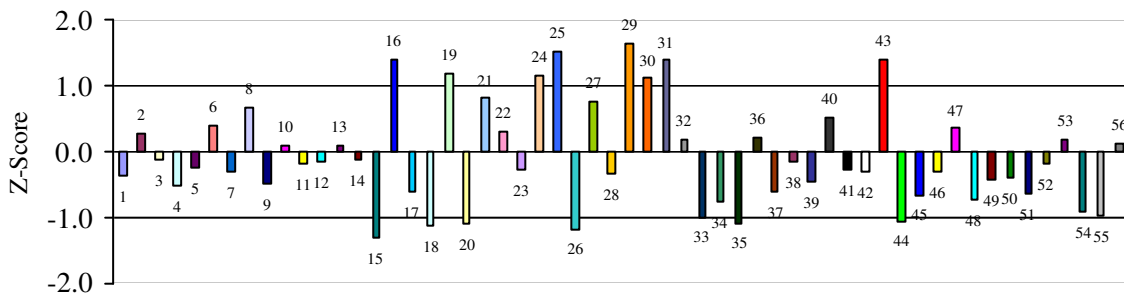
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| Bracknell Forest UA | Merton LB | <i>Richmond upon Thames LB</i> | <u>Watford LA</u> |
| Hillingdon LB | Milton Keynes UA | Rushmoor LA | |
| Kingston upon Thames LB | Reading UA | Sutton LB | |

6.3.3.2 Group C2- Commuter Belt

6.3.3.2.1 Class C2a - Commuter Belt

54 Local Authorities containing 10.9% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This group contains a belt of middle class housing around London creating a commuter zone, plus a few other areas elsewhere in the country.
- 7 This group is characterised by good health (15, 16), low unemployment (18, 20), and high levels of managerial employment (29, 30, 31). Car ownership is high (43, 44); housing is mixed but mainly detached (40).
- 7 Refer to Figure 10 for a map of this cluster.



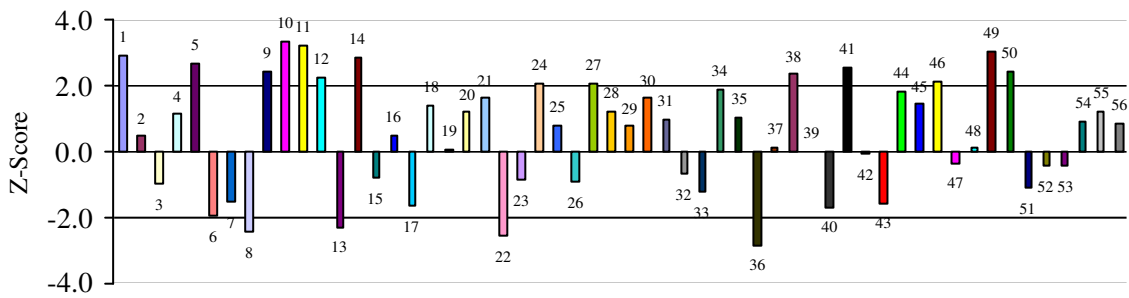
There are 54 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

| | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Aylesbury Vale LA | Epsom and Ewell LA | Sevenoaks LA | Tonbridge and Malling LA |
| Basingstoke and Deane LA | Harborough LA | South Bedfordshire LA | Uttlesford LA |
| Brentwood LA | Hart LA | South Bucks LA | Vale of White Horse LA |
| Bromley LB | Hertsmere LA | South Cambridgeshire LA | Waverley LA |
| Chelmsford LA | Horsham LA | South Gloucestershire UA | West Berkshire UA |
| Cherwell LA | Huntingdonshire LA | South Northamptonshire LA | West Oxfordshire LA |
| Chiltern LA | Macclesfield LA | South Oxfordshire LA | Winchester LA |
| Dacorum LA | Maidstone LA | St. Albans LA | Windsor and Maidenhead UA |
| Daventry LA | Mid Bedfordshire LA | Stratford-upon-Avon LA | Woking LA |
| East Hampshire LA | Mid Sussex LA | Surrey Heath LA | Wokingham UA |
| East Hertfordshire LA | Mole Valley LA | Tandridge LA | Wycombe LA |
| Eastleigh LA | North Hertfordshire LA | Test Valley LA | |
| Elmbridge LA | North Wiltshire LA | Three Rivers LA | |
| Epping Forest LA | Reigate and Banstead LA | | |
| | Rushcliffe LA | | |

6.3.4 Family D – Urban London

26 Local Authorities containing 9.6% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This Family contains the densely populated area of London and some of their satellite towns. No local authorities in this family area outside the area immediately around London.
- 7 The Family is characterised by extreme values for a large number of variables. Trends include high population density (1) and overcrowding (49), a young single population (9), ethnic and religious diversity (11, 12, 14) and low car ownership (43, 44).
- 7 Refer to Figure 3 for a map of this cluster.

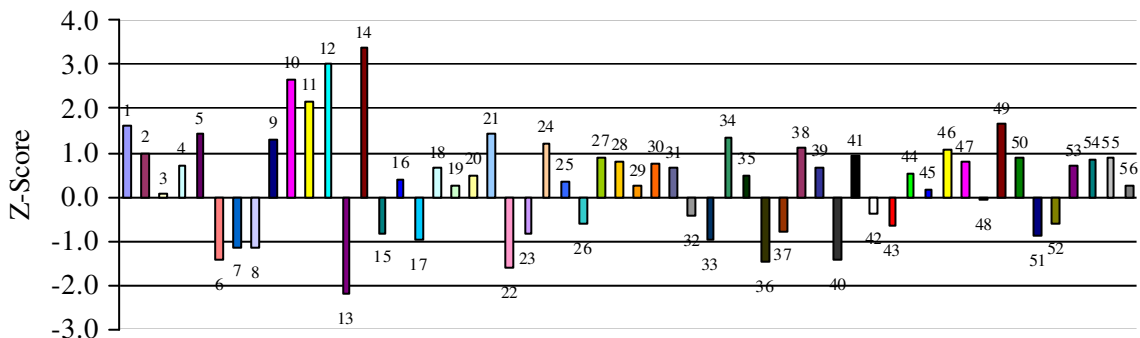


6.3.4.1 Group D1 Multicultural Outer London

6.3.4.1.1 Class D1a – Multicultural Outer London

11 Local Authorities containing 4.4% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains London suburbs and large towns in the London vicinity which have a significant ethnic presence.
- 7 This class is characterised by a young age structure, a very high proportion of people from black minority ethnic groups (11) and the Indian subcontinent (12). A proportion of homes suffer from overcrowding (49). The housing structure has a higher than average number of flats (38) and a below average number of detached homes (40).
- 7 Refer to Figure 11 for a map of this cluster.



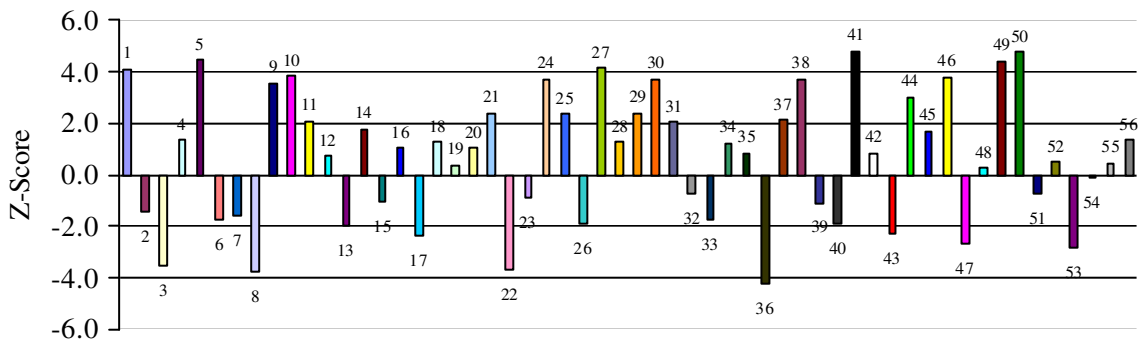
There are 11 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

- | | | | |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Barnet LB | Enfield LB | <u>Hounslow LB</u> | Slough UA |
| Croydon LB | <i>Greenwich LB</i> | Luton UA | Waltham Forest LB |
| Ealing LB | Harrow LB | Redbridge LB | |

6.3.4.2 Group D2 – Mercantile Inner London

7 Local Authorities containing 2.0% of the population are in this cluster

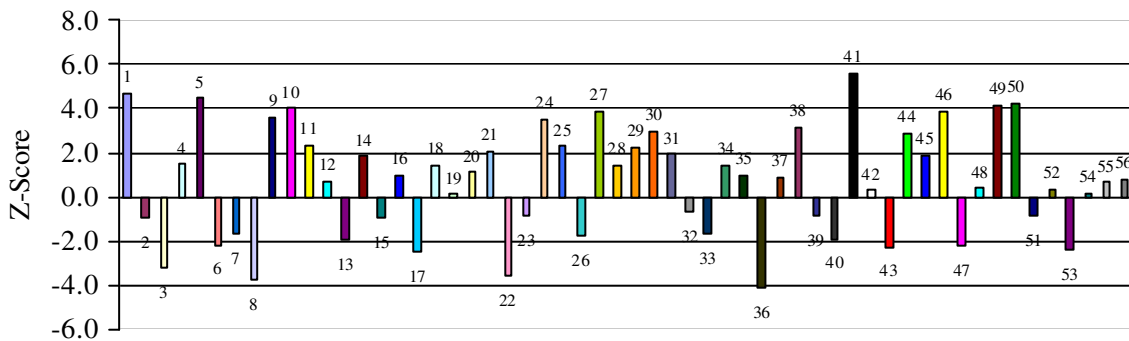
- 7 This group contains wealthy and business areas of inner London.
- 7 This group is characterised by extreme values for many variables especially evident are high population density (1), a lot of people in their late 20's (5), a large number of women working full time (21), a highly qualified (27) population involved in business activities also a high number of one person households (50) and a number of homes which are overcrowded (49).
- 7 Refer to Figure 7 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.4.2.1 Class D2a – Central London

6 Local Authorities containing 1.9% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains wealthy areas of Inner London.
- 7 This group is characterised by extreme values for many variables especially evident are high population density (1), a lot of people in their late 20's (5), a large number of women working full time (21), a highly qualified (27) population involved in business activities also a high number of one person households (50) and a number of homes which are overcrowded (49).
- 7 Refer to Figure 11 for a map of this cluster.



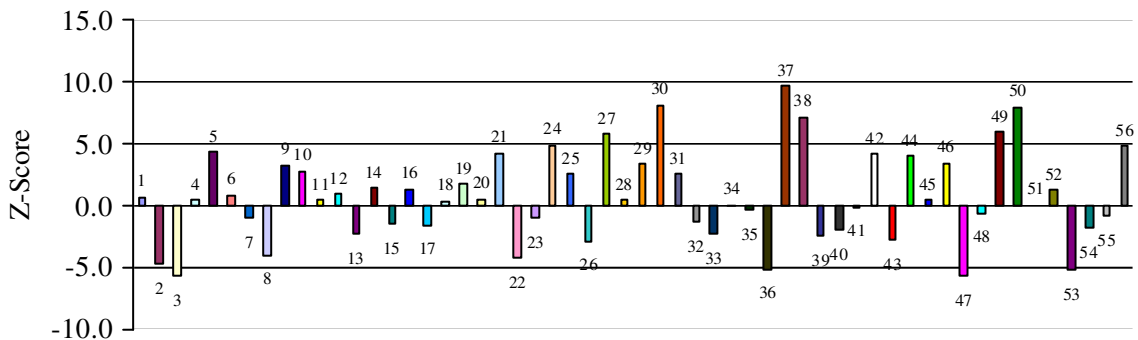
There are 6 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Camden LB | Islington LB | <i>Wandsworth LB</i> |
| <u>Hammersmith and Fulham LB</u> | Kensington and Chelsea LB | Westminster LB |

6.3.4.2.2 Class D2b - The City of London

1 Local Authority containing 0.01% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains the City of London only.
- 7 This class is characterised by extreme values all over the place due to its small area and small population unique within the UK Age structure dominated by middle aged people, high levels of managerial employment (30), low car ownership (43, 44). Most people walk to work (37). Housing is mainly made up of small flats (38) containing only one resident (50). The LA has experienced a large population increase (56). However a lot of the extreme values are due to the small population size.
- 7 Refer to Figure 11 for a map of this cluster.



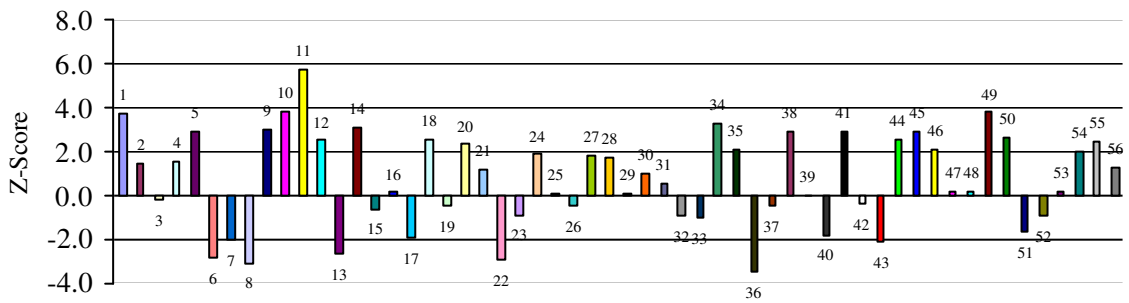
There is 1 Local Authority in this Class. It is:

City of London LB

6.3.4.3 Group D3 – Cosmopolitan Inner London

8 Local Authorities containing 3.2% of the population are in this cluster

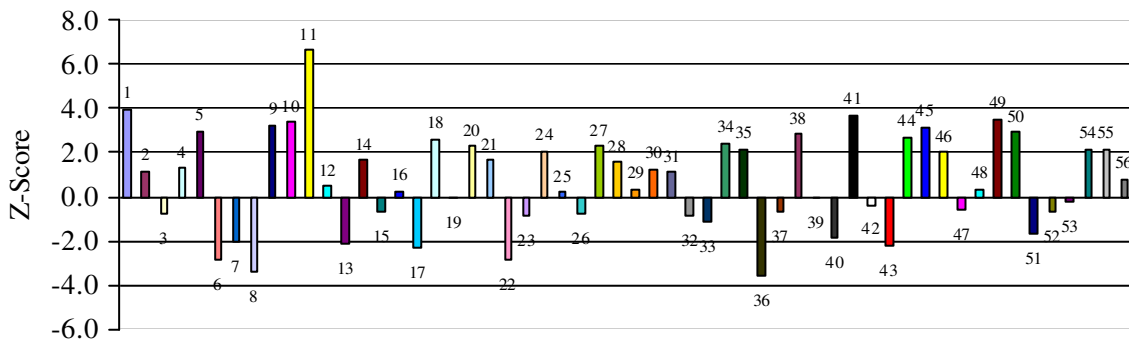
- 7 This group contains the traditionally poorer former industrial areas of inner London.
- 7 This group is characterised by a single (9), ethnically diverse (10, 11, 12) population with an especially large black population (11). Unemployment is high (18, 20) as is overcrowding (49) with a large proportion of the population living in flats (38) and Bedsits (41).
- 7 Refer to Figure 7 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.4.3.1 Class D3a - Afro-Caribbean Ethnic Boroughs

5 Local Authorities containing 2.0% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains the LAs of inner London which are dominated by black minority ethnic groups.
- 7 This class is characterised by a lot of extreme values, a young population structure. A very high proportion of people from black minority ethnic groups (11), but few from the Indian sub continent (12). Housing contains a lot of flats (38) and Bedsits (41); car ownership (43, 44) is low. Unemployment (18, 20) is high those of those who are employed are highly qualified (27). High employment in the real estate sector (24) suggests a very active housing market.
- 7 Refer to Figure 11 for a map of this cluster.



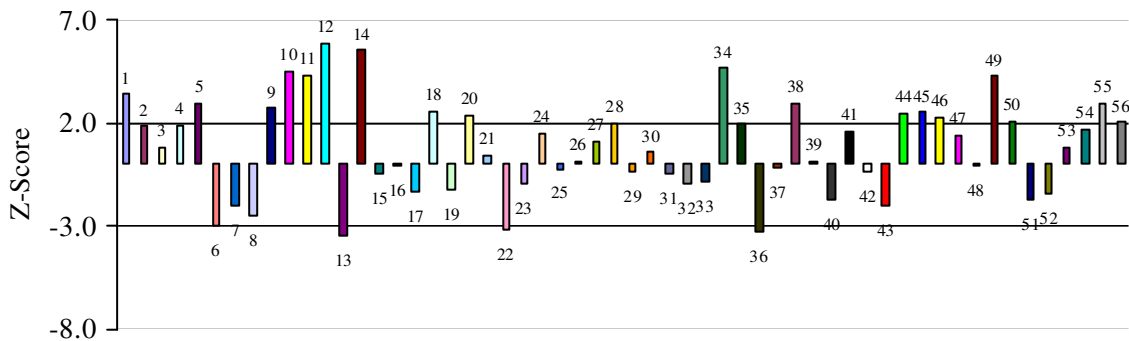
There are 5 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

- | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| <i>Hackney LB</i> | Lambeth LB | <u>Southwark LB</u> |
| Haringey LB | Lewisham LB | |

6.3.4.3.2 Class D3b – Multicultural Inner London

3 Local Authorities containing 1.2% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains areas of inner London with high ethnicity.
- 7 This class is characterised by a young age structure, a high proportion of people from black minority ethnic groups and the Indian sub continent (11, 12), unemployment (18, 20) is high with a significant proportion of people of working age who have never worked (34). Car ownership is low (43, 44), housing is characterised by a significantly above average number of flats (38) and Bedsits (41).
- 7 Refer to Figure 11 for a map of this cluster.



There are 3 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

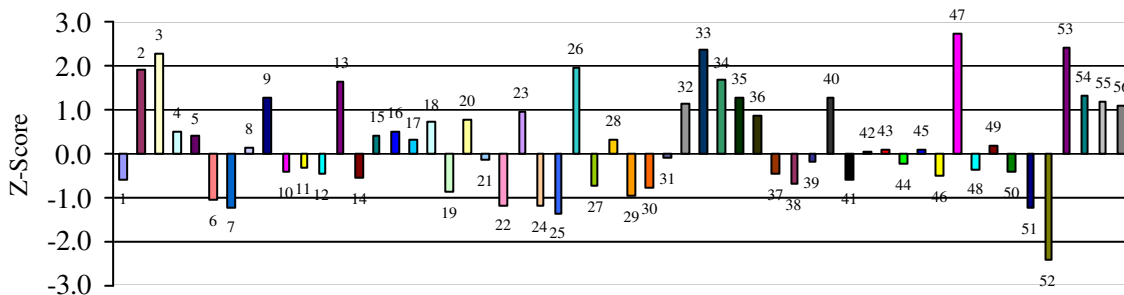
Brent LB Newham LB *Tower Hamlets LB*

6.3.5 Family E – Northern Irish Heartlands

6.3.5.1 Group E1– Northern Irish Heartlands

23 Local Authorities containing 2.2% of the population are in this cluster

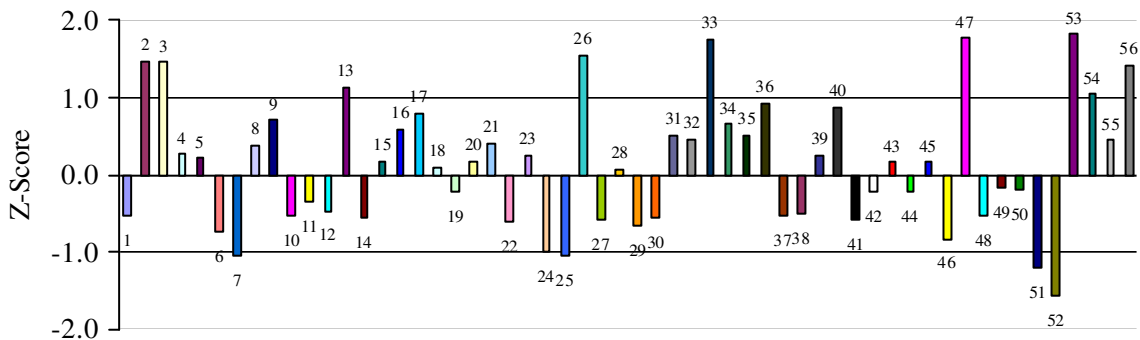
- 7 This Family contains all the Local Authorities in Northern Ireland except Belfast, Castlereagh and North Down.
- 7 The Family is characterised by extreme values for many variables, a very young (2, 3) growing population (56) with a large number of dependant children (53). Little ethnic and religious diversity (10, 11, 12). Significant numbers of people with no qualifications (26) who have routine occupations (33). Catholic/Protestant divide cannot be seen because the data was not available for the whole UK so could not be used. If variables that only appeared in Northern Ireland census were used more variation would be seen within this cluster.
- 7 Refer to Figure 3 for a map of this cluster.



6.3.5.1 Class E1a – Northern Irish Urban Growth

10 Local Authorities containing 1.1% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains a collection of LAs which surround Belfast.
- 7 This class is characterised by a young population profile (2, 3), a high number of people of Christian religion (13). The population generally has few qualifications (26) and a high proportion of employment is in routine occupations (33). Most housing is detached (40) and the household size (47) is larger than average. There are a high number of households with dependant children (53). There has also been significant population growth in this cluster since 1991 (56).
- 7 Refer to Figure 12 for a map of this cluster.



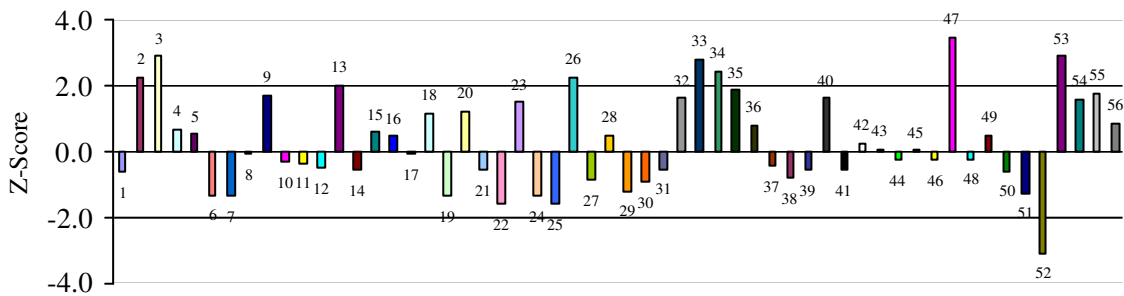
There are 10 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

| | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Antrim | <i>Banbridge</i> | Down | Newtownabby |
| Ards | Carrickfergus | Larne | |
| Ballymena | Craigavon | <u>Lisburn</u> | |

6.3.5.1.2 Class E1b – Rural Northern Ireland

13 Local Authorities containing 1.1% of the population are in this cluster

- 7 This class contains LAs in central and western, Northern Ireland.
- 7 This class is characterised by a generally young age structure (2, 3), and a large single population (9). There are a high number of people of Christian religion (13). The population generally has few qualifications (26) and a high proportion of employment is in routine occupations (33) or agriculture and fishing. Most housing is detached (40) and the household size is larger than average (47). There are a high number of households with dependant children (53), but few couples without children (52).
- 7 Refer to Figure 12 for a map of this cluster.



There are 13 Local Authorities in this Class (most typical is Underlined, least typical is in *Italics*). They are:

| | | | |
|------------|--------------|------------------|----------|
| Armagh | <i>Derry</i> | Magherafelt | Strabane |
| Ballymoney | Dungannon | Moyle | |
| Coleraine | Fermanagh | Newry and Mourne | |
| Cookstown | Limavady | <u>Omagh</u> | |

6.4 The Clusters with the highest and lowest values

Along with knowing what are the extreme variables for each cluster are it could also be useful to have the data the other way round, for example you may want to know where has the highest or lowest rate of unemployment. Table 8 enables this to be done listing the class which shows the most extreme positive and negative values for each variable.

Table 8 The Classes with that have the highest positive and negative values for each variable.

| | Variable | Class with the highest Value | |
|----|--|------------------------------|----------|
| | | Positive | Negative |
| 1 | Population Density | D2a | B1a |
| 2 | People aged: 0 - 9 | E1b | D2b |
| 3 | People aged: 10 - 17 | E1b | D2b |
| 4 | People aged: 18 - 24 | A2b | B2c |
| 5 | People aged: 25 - 29 | D2a | B2c |
| 6 | People aged: 45 - 64 | B4a | D3b |
| 7 | People aged: 65+ | B2c | D3b |
| 8 | Married | B4a | D2b |
| 9 | Single (Never Married) | D2a | B4a |
| 10 | Born outside UK | D3b | A1a |
| 11 | Black minority ethnic groups | D3a | B4a |
| 12 | Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi | D3b | B4a |
| 13 | Christian | E1b | D3b |
| 14 | Other Religion | D3b | E1b |
| 15 | Limiting long-term illness | A1a | B4a |
| 16 | Residents whose health is good | B4a | A1a |
| 17 | Residents who provide unpaid care | A1a | D2a |
| 18 | Unemployment | D3a | B4a |
| 19 | Economically active residents 16+ | B4a | A2b |
| 20 | Male Unemployment | D3b | B4a |
| 21 | Women who work Full-time | D2b | B2c |
| 22 | Women who work Part-time | B1c | D2b |
| 23 | Agriculture; hunting; forestry and fishing employment | B1a | D2b |
| 24 | Real estate; renting and business activities employment | D2b | E1b |
| 25 | Managers and senior officials employment | D2b | E1b |
| 26 | No qualifications | E1b | D2b |
| 27 | Highest qualification attained degree level or above | D2b | A2a |
| 28 | Full time Students | A2b | B4a |
| 29 | Large employers and higher managerial occupations employment | D2b | B4a |
| 30 | Higher professional occupations employment | D2b | B4a |
| 31 | Lower managerial and professional occupations employment | D2b | A2a |
| 32 | Small employers and own account workers employment | B4a | A2b |
| 33 | Routine occupations employment | E1b | D2b |
| 34 | Never worked | D3b | B4a |
| 35 | Long-term unemployed | D3a | B4a |
| 36 | Car to work | E1a | D2b |
| 37 | Walk to work | D2b | D1a |
| 38 | purpose-built flats | D2b | E1b |
| 39 | Terraced houses | A2c | D2b |

| | | | |
|----|---|-----|-----|
| 40 | Detached housing | E1b | D2b |
| 41 | Bedsits | D2a | E1a |
| 42 | Households With no residents: Second residence / holiday home | B4a | A2a |
| 43 | Households with 2+ cars | C2a | D2b |
| 44 | No car households | D2b | C2a |
| 45 | LA Rented | D3a | B2c |
| 46 | Private Rented | B4a | A2d |
| 47 | Household size | E1b | D2b |
| 48 | No central heating | B4a | A2d |
| 49 | Households: with an occupancy rating of -1 or less (overcrowding) | D2b | B1c |
| 50 | One-person no-pensioner households | D2b | B2c |
| 51 | Single pensioner households | B2c | D3b |
| 52 | 2 adults no children | B2c | E1b |
| 53 | Households with dependent children | E1b | D2b |
| 54 | Lone Parent Families | D3a | B4a |
| 55 | Households: No adults in employment :with dependent children | D3b | B4a |
| 56 | Population change 1991 - 2001 | D2b | A2a |

6.5. Similarities of the LAs

Just because two LAs are in the same cluster it does not mean that they are the most similar of all the LAs. This is because an object on the edge of a cluster can be closer to an object on the edge of another cluster rather than an object within its own. Appendix c lists each LA and the five LAs that are most like them.

6.6. Mapping out the Clusters

As the local authorities in general are large areas it is possible to pick most of them out at a national scale. Therefore maps of the UK showing the distribution of each cluster type are very useful as they enable any geographic patterns within the clusters to be seen and interpreted easily. Figures 3 – 12 display maps of all families, groups and classes throughout the UK.

Figure 3 Map of the five families

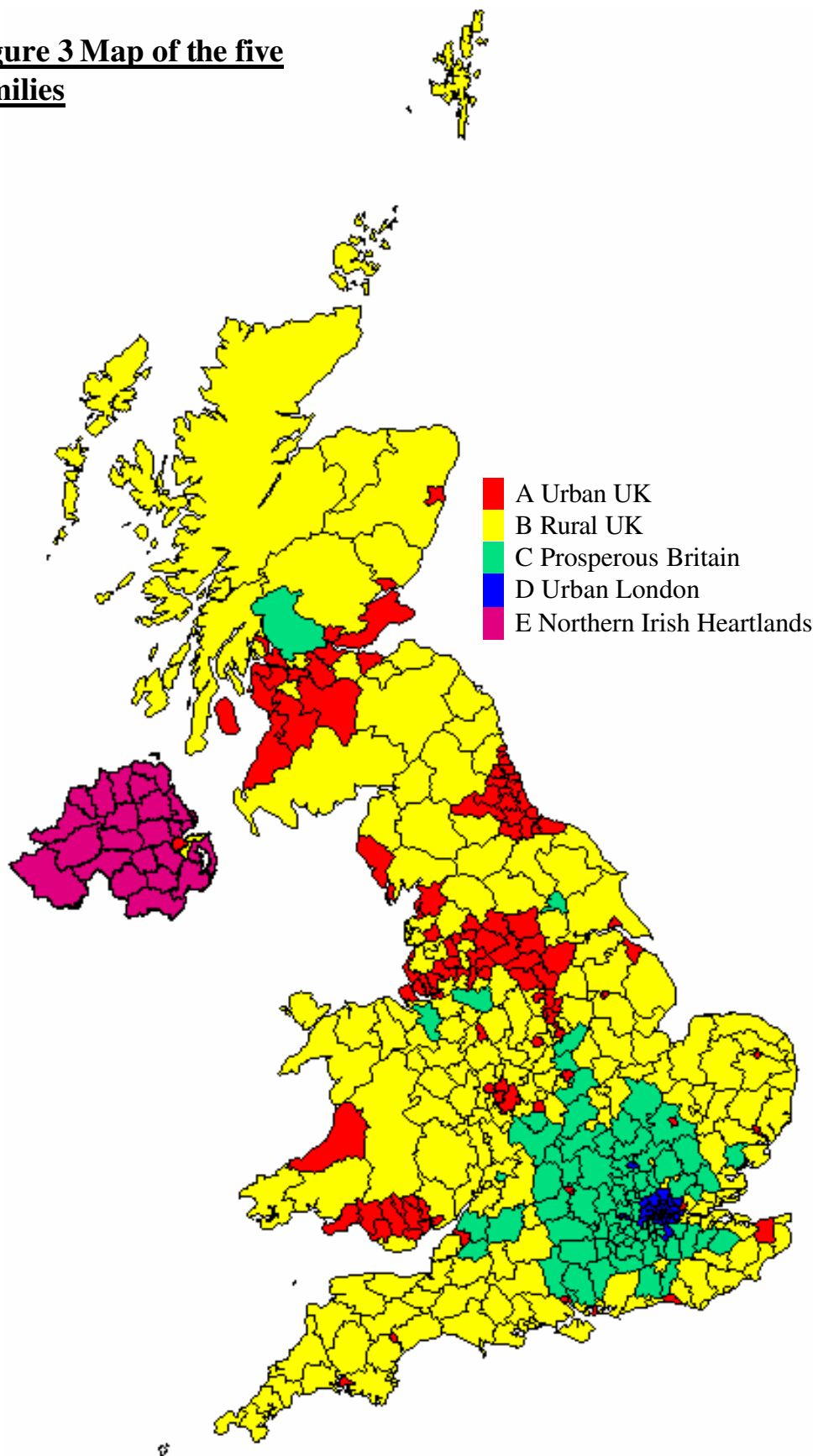


Figure 4 Map of the three groups within the family A
Urban UK

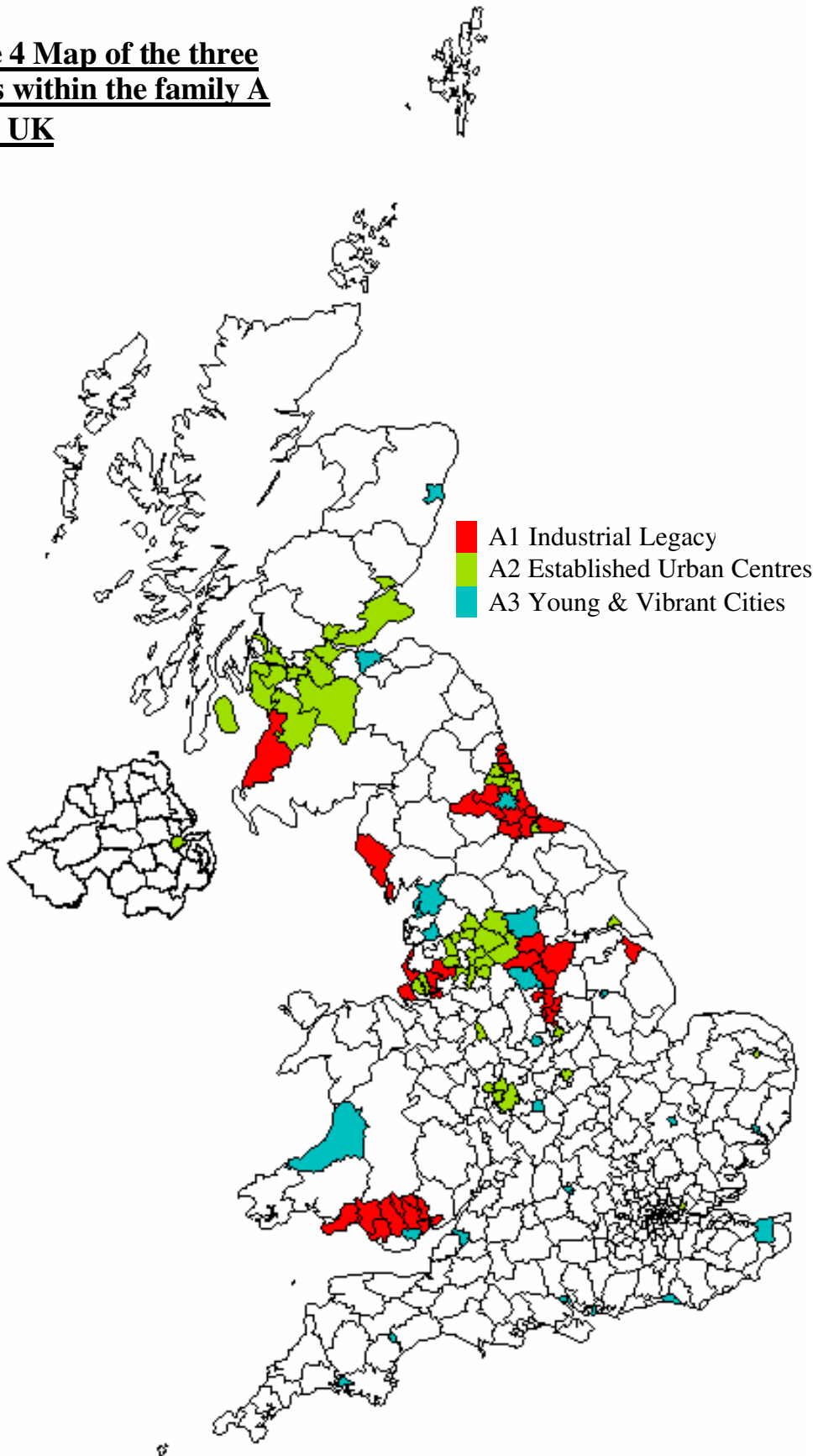


Figure 5 Map of the four groups within the family B Rural UK

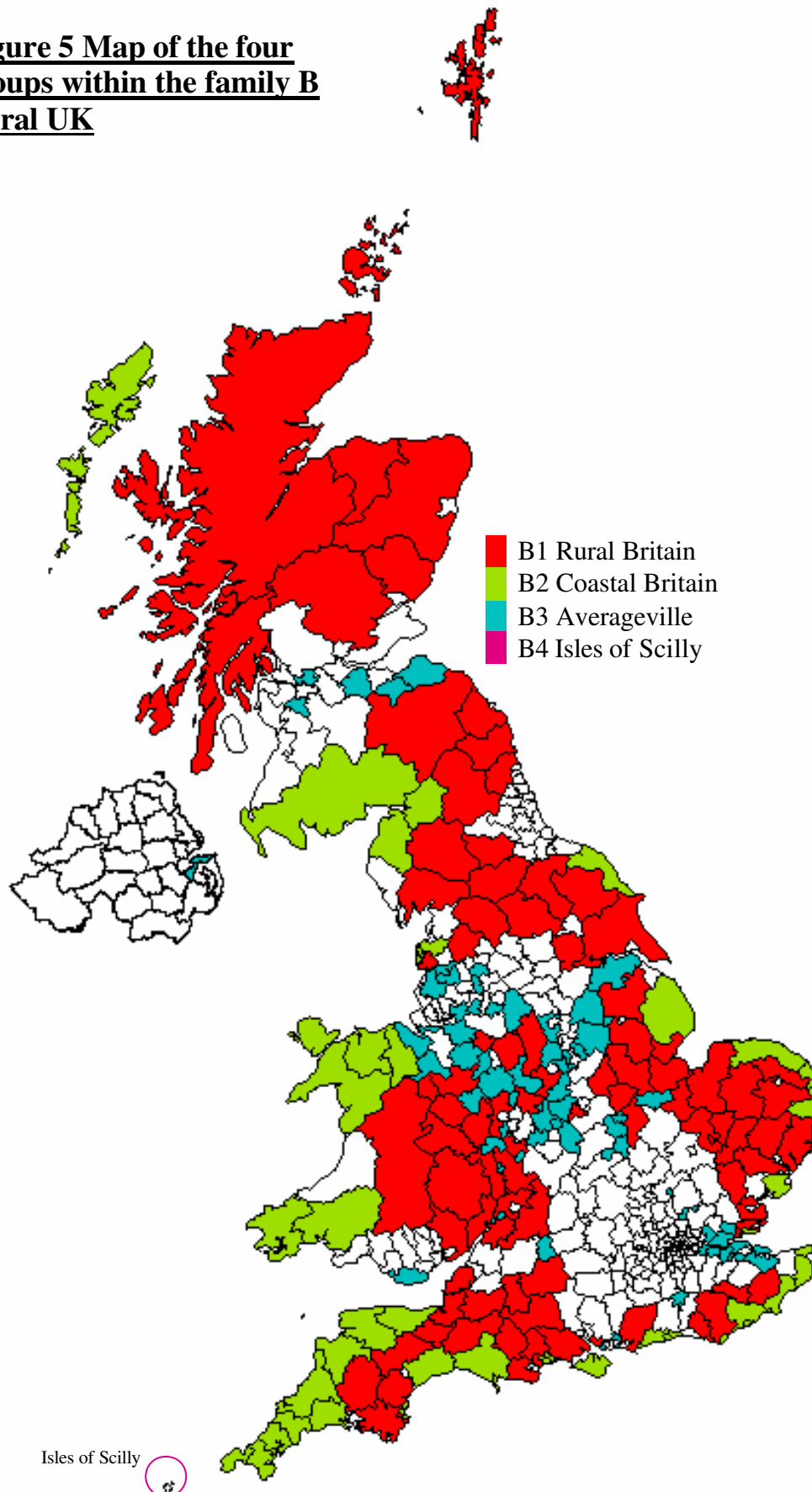


Figure 6 Map of the two groups within the family C Prosperous Britain

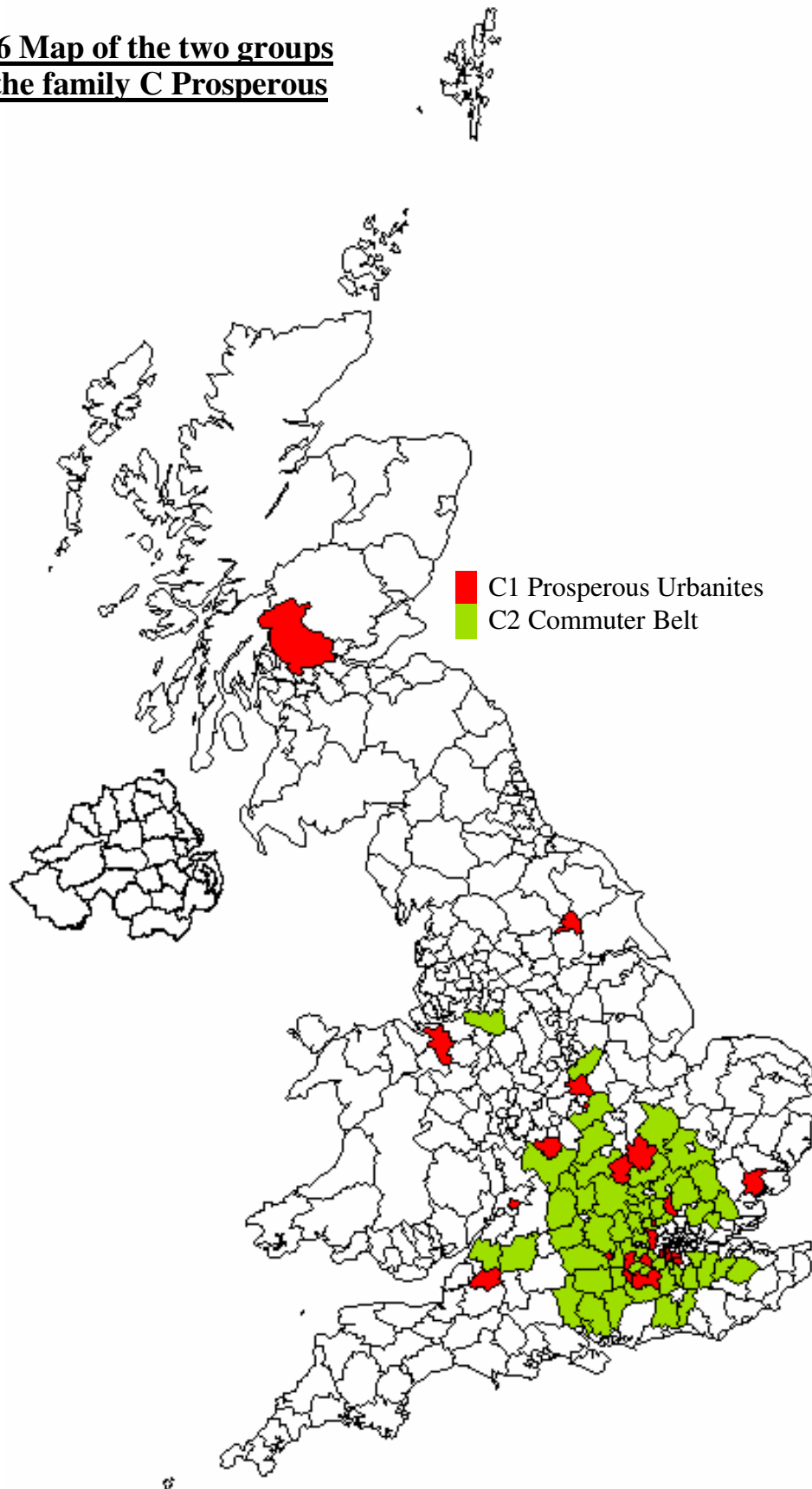


Figure 7 Map of the three groups within the family D Urban London

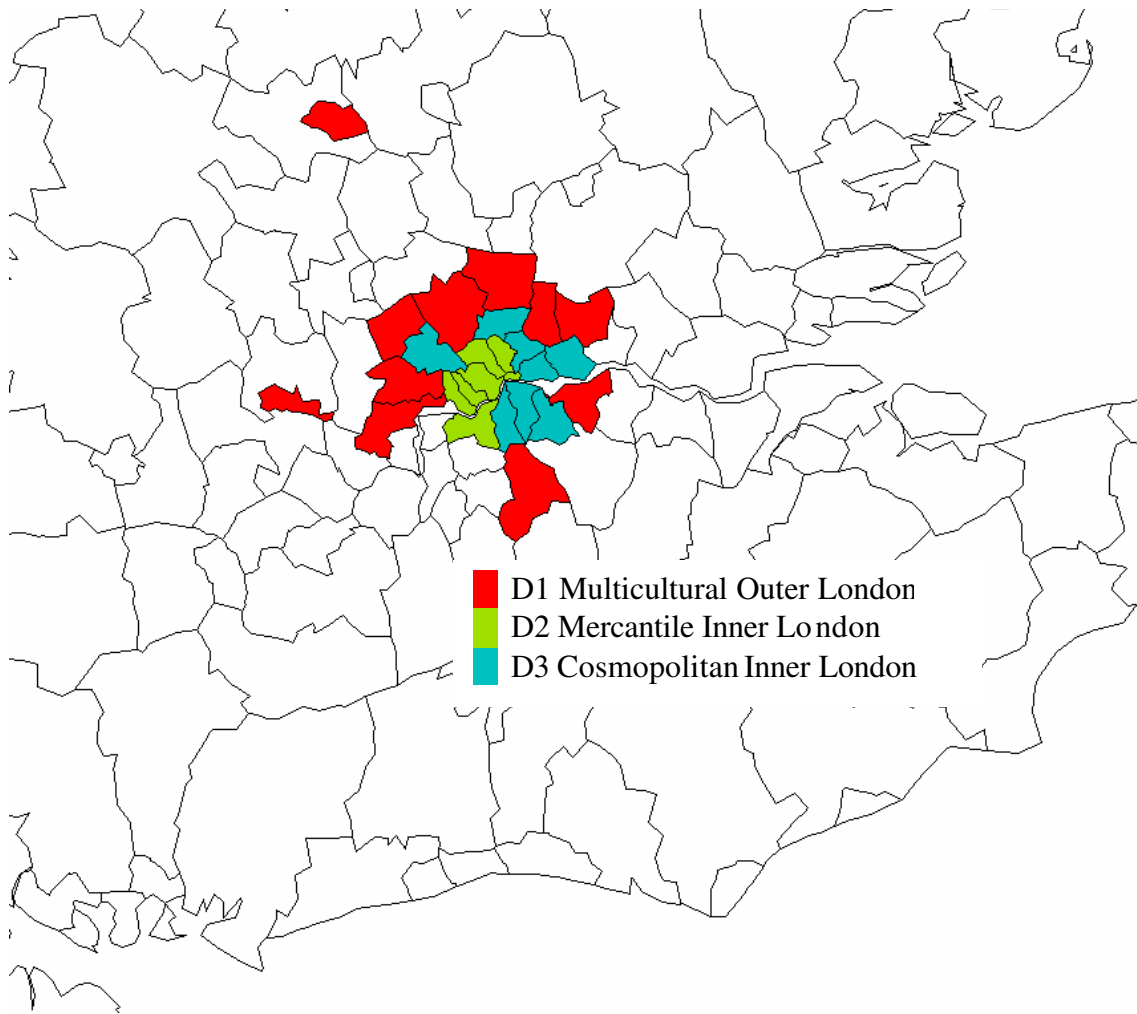


Figure 8 Map of the seven classes within family A Urban UK

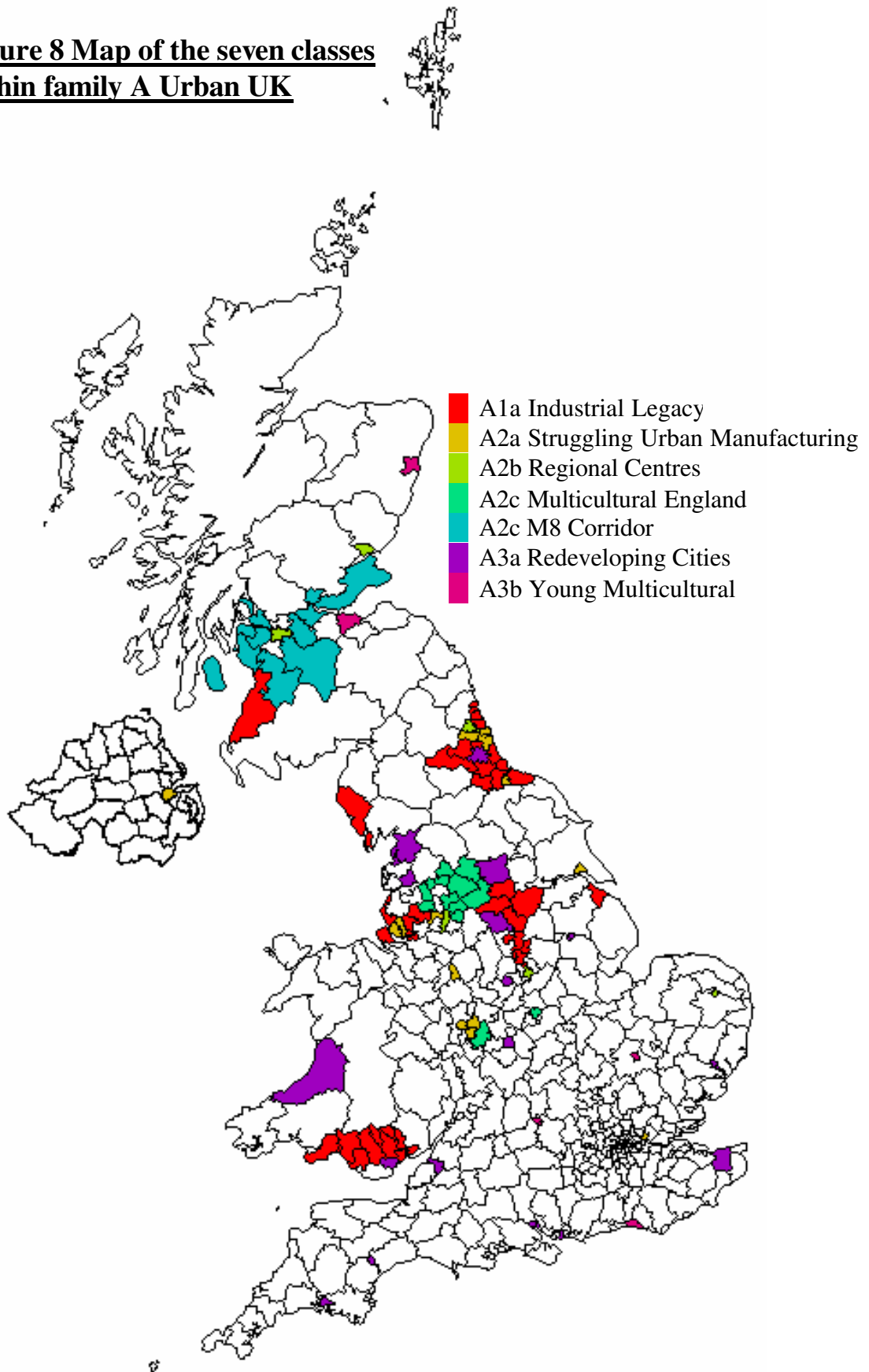


Figure 9 Map of the nine classes within family B Rural UK

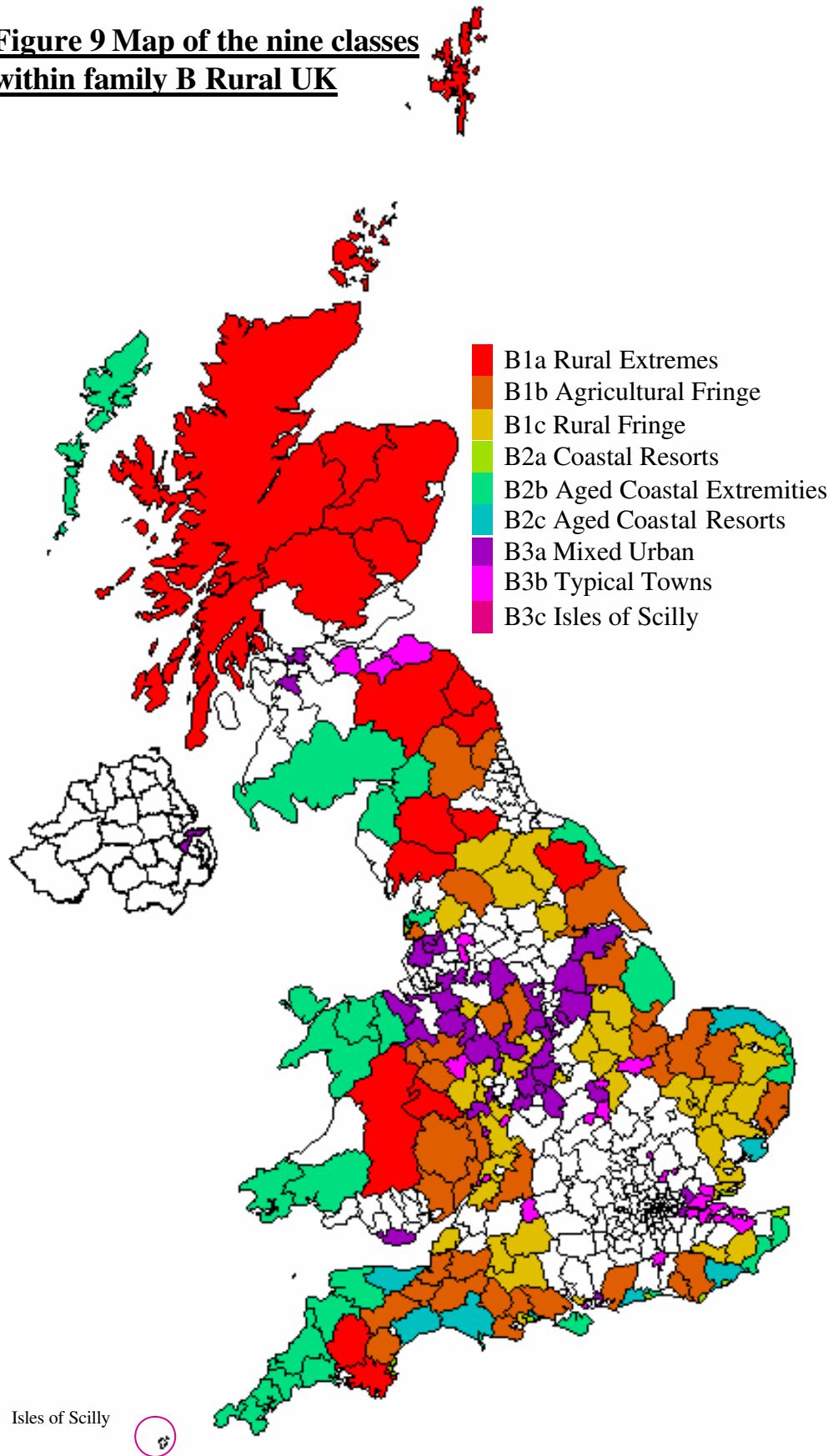


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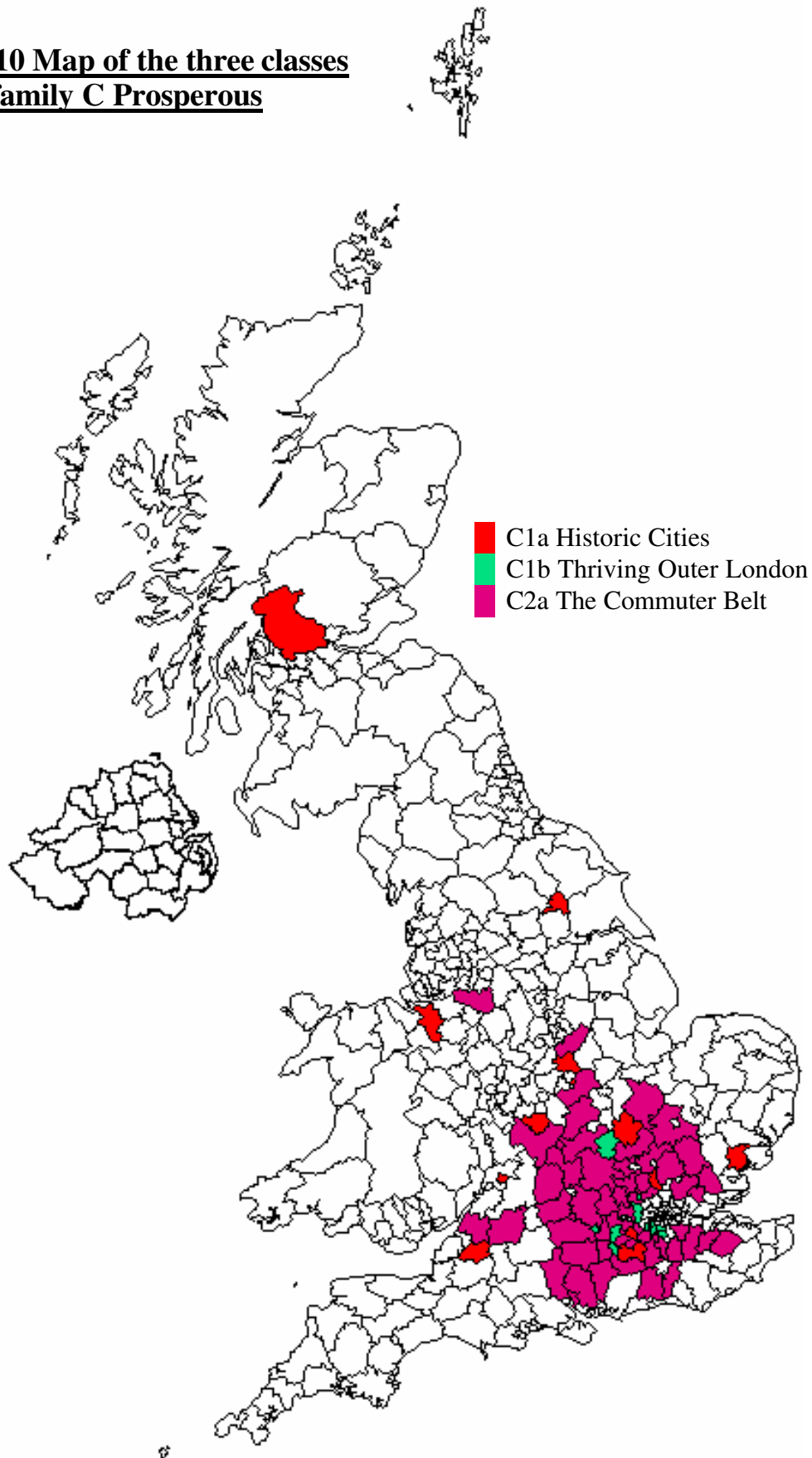


Figure 11 Map of the five classes within family D Urban London

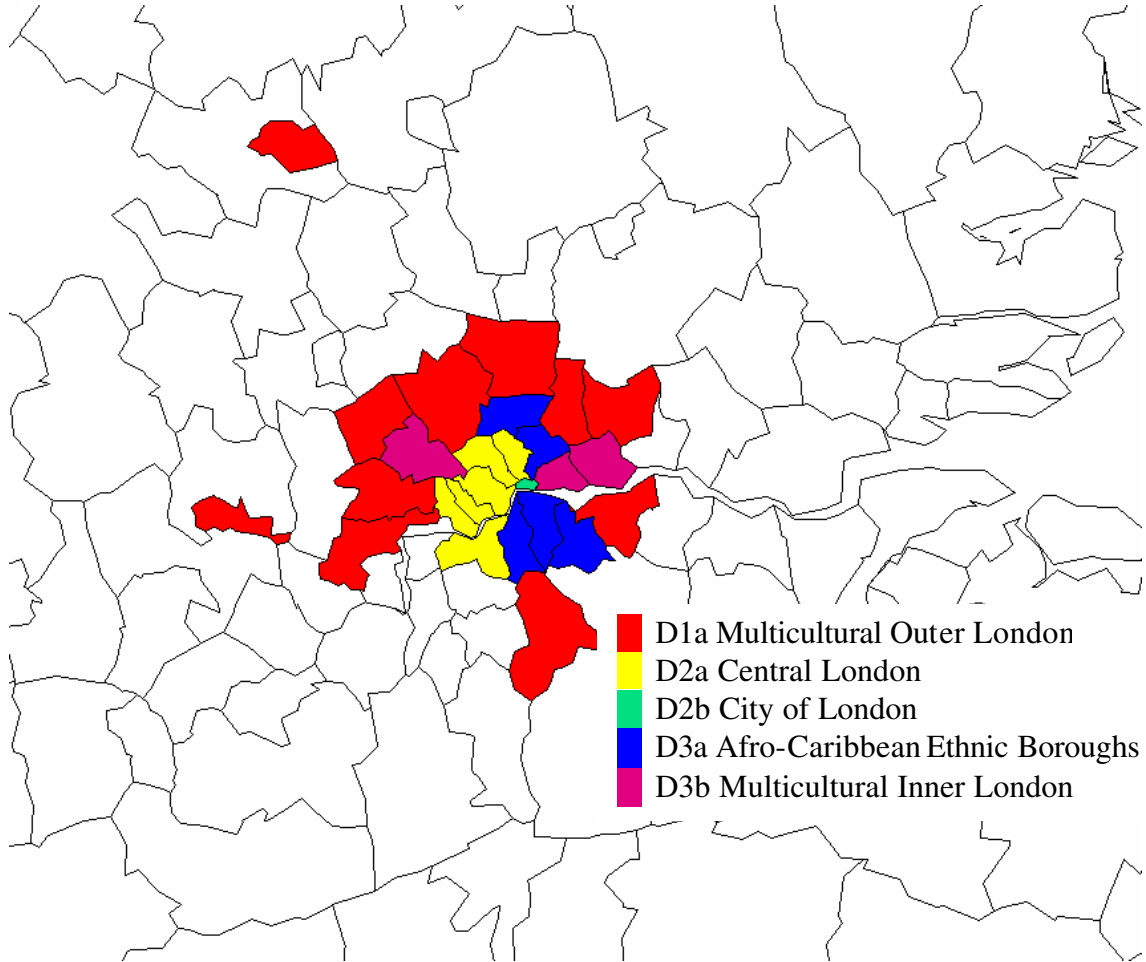
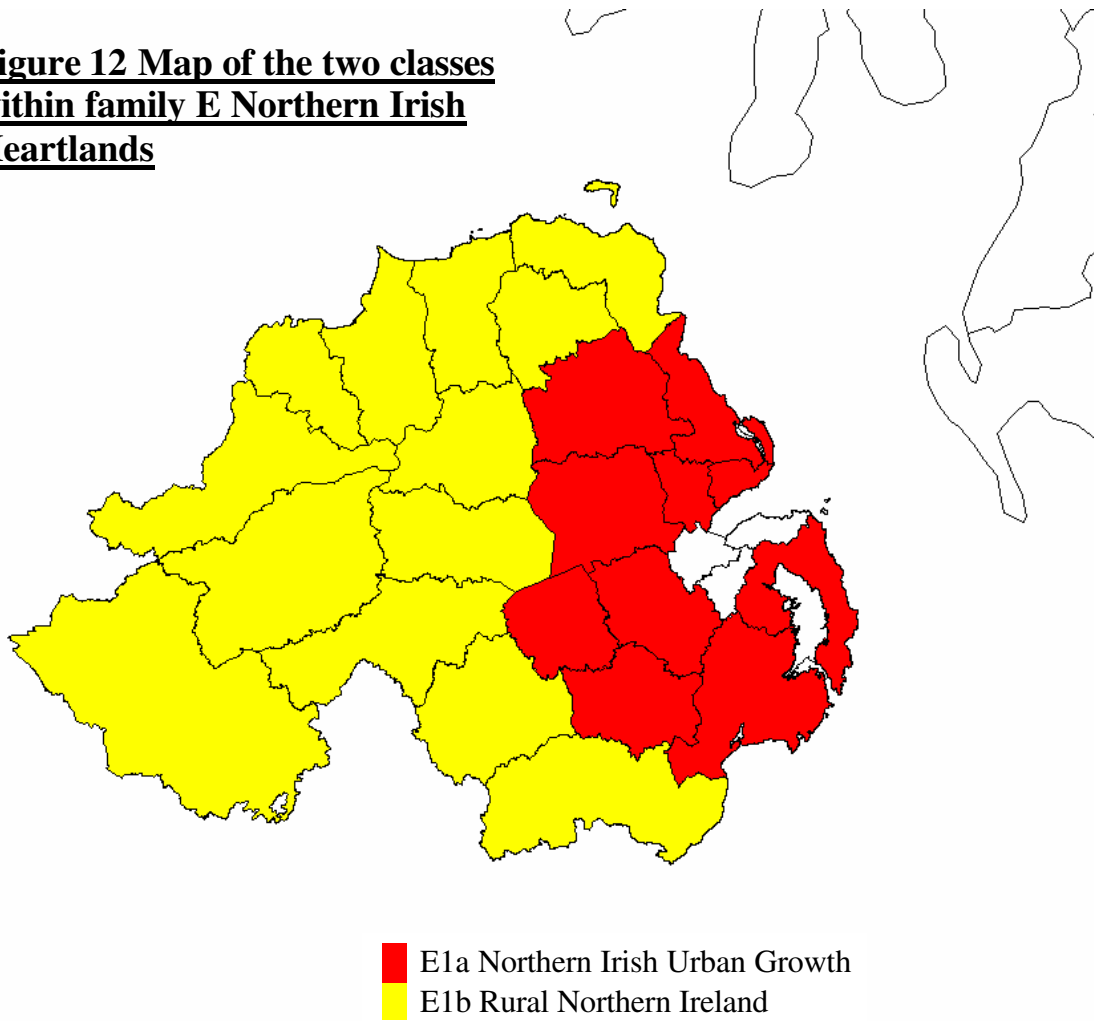


Figure 12 Map of the two classes within family E Northern Irish Heartlands



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Appendix A - List of variables showing inclusion, rejection or merger

| | <i>Variable</i> | <i>Domain</i> | <i>Reason for Inclusion, Rejection or Merger</i> |
|----|--------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| 1 | Population Density | Demographic | Included – As it is unlike any other variable giving a good indication of the rural/urban variation of the country. It also has a very large variance. |
| 2 | Male | Demographic | Rejected – No variation across the dataset |
| 3 | Female | Demographic | Rejected – No variation across the dataset |
| 4 | Communal Establishments | Demographic | Rejected – Their location is sporadic and not indicative of the population of the area. |
| 5 | People aged: 0 – 4 | Demographic | Merged - With 6&7 due to high positive correlation |
| 6 | People aged: 5 – 7 | Demographic | Merged - With 5&7 due to high positive correlation |
| 7 | People aged: 8 – 9 | Demographic | Merged - With 5&6 due to high positive correlation |
| 8 | People aged: 10 – 14 | Demographic | Merged - With 9&10 due to high positive correlation |
| 9 | People aged: 15 | Demographic | Merged - With 8&10 due to high positive correlation |
| 10 | People aged: 16 – 17 | Demographic | Merged - With 8&10 due to high positive correlation |
| 11 | People aged: 18 – 19 | Demographic | Merged - With 12 due to high positive correlation |
| 12 | People aged: 20 – 24 | Demographic | Merged - With 11 due to high positive correlation |
| 13 | People aged: 25 – 29 | Demographic | Included – A good indicative group, representing first time buyers. |
| 14 | People aged: 30 – 44 | Demographic | Rejected – Little variation across the dataset. However, pseudo included as the rest of the variance in the age category is included |
| 15 | People aged: 45 – 59 | Demographic | Merged - With 16 due to high positive correlation |
| 16 | People aged: 60 – 64 | Demographic | Merged - With 15 due to high positive correlation |
| 17 | People aged: 65 – 74 | Demographic | Merged - With 18,19&20 due to high positive correlation |
| 18 | People aged: 75 – 84 | Demographic | Merged - With 17,19&20 due to high positive correlation |
| 19 | People aged: 85 – 89 | Demographic | Merged - With 17,18&20 due to high positive correlation |
| 20 | People aged: 90 & over | Demographic | Merged - With 17,18&19 due to high positive correlation |
| 21 | Married (Living in Couple) | Demographic | Merged - With 24 |
| 22 | Cohabiting | Demographic | Rejected – Indicates little, small variance across areas |
| 23 | Single (Never Married) | Demographic | Included – Indicative of a mobile population |
| 24 | Married (Not living in Couple) | Demographic | Merged - With 21 |
| 25 | Separated | Demographic | Rejected – Indicates little, small variance across areas |
| 26 | Divorced | Demographic | Rejected – Indicates little, small variance across areas |
| 27 | Widowed | Demographic | Rejected – Indicates little, small variance across areas |
| 28 | Born in: England | Ethnicity & Religion | Rejected – Does little except split countries of the UK |

| | | | |
|----|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| 29 | Born in: Scotland | Ethnicity & Religion | Rejected – Does little except split countries of the UK |
| 30 | Born in: Wales | Ethnicity & Religion | Rejected – Does little except split countries of the UK |
| 31 | Born in: Northern Ireland | Ethnicity & Religion | Rejected – Does little except split countries of the UK |
| 32 | Born in: Republic of Ireland | Ethnicity & Religion | Merged - With 33&34 |
| 33 | Born in: Other EU Countries | Ethnicity & Religion | Merged - With 32&34 |
| 34 | Born Rest of the World (Outside EU) | Ethnicity & Religion | Merged - With 32&33 |
| 35 | Black minority ethnic groups | Ethnicity & Religion | Included – High variance, strong distinction in numbers between rural and urban areas |
| 36 | Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi | Ethnicity & Religion | Included – High variance, strong distinction in numbers between rural and urban areas |
| 37 | Chinese | Ethnicity & Religion | Rejected – Little variation across the dataset |
| 38 | White | Ethnicity & Religion | Rejected – Pseudo Included as the rest of the variance in the ethnicity category is included |
| 39 | Christian | Ethnicity & Religion | Included – Considered important to include as it is the first time the religion question was asked in the census. Also shows some significant regional differences. |
| 40 | Other Religion | Ethnicity & Religion | Included – Considered important to include as it is the first time the religion question was asked in the census. Also shows some significant regional differences. |
| 41 | Not Stated or No Religion | Ethnicity & Religion | Rejected – Pseudo Included as the rest of the variance in the religion category is included |
| 42 | Limiting long-term illness | Health | Included – Considered important as a measure of the health of the nation |
| 43 | Residents whose health is good | Health | Included – Considered important as a measure of the health of the nation. Also the other extreme to LITI giving a fuller picture of the health of the nation. |
| 44 | Residents whose health is fairly good | Health | Rejected – Vague in its nature, however pseudo included as the extremes of the variance in the health category is included. |
| 45 | Residents whose health is not good | Health | Rejected – Vague in its nature, however pseudo included as the extremes of the variance in the health category is included. |
| 46 | Residents who provide unpaid care | Health | Included – An alternative measure of the nations health |
| 47 | Unemployment | Employment | Included – An important measure in the employment domain |
| 48 | Self-employed | Employment | Rejected – Vary Similar to 84 |
| 49 | Economically active residents 16+ | Employment | Included – A good indication of the size of the workforce in an area taking into account all factors. |
| 50 | Male Unemployment | Employment | Included – Indicative of a more extreme problem than total unemployment as men are more likely to be the sole or main wage earner in a household. |
| 51 | Working Women ft | Employment | Included – An indication of the changing employment structure of the UK as more women continue to join the workforce. |
| 52 | Women who work part-time | Employment | Included – An indication of the changing employment structure of the UK as more women continue to join the workforce. |

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| | | | |
|----|---|------------|--|
| 53 | Agriculture; hunting; forestry and fishing employment | Employment | Included – High distinction between rural and urban areas |
| 54 | Mining, quarrying and construction employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 55 | Manufacturing employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 56 | Electricity; gas and water supply employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 57 | Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 58 | Hotels and catering employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 59 | Transport, storage and communication employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 60 | Financial intermediation employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 61 | Real estate; renting and business activities employment | Employment | Included – Indicative of areas of business and a buoyant housing market. |
| 62 | Public administration and defence employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 63 | Education employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 64 | Health and social work employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 65 | Managers and senior officials employment | Employment | Included – Indicative of the wealthiest people within society |
| 66 | Professional occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 67 | Associate professional and technical occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 68 | Administrative and secretarial occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 69 | Skilled trades occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 70 | Personal service occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 71 | Sales and customer service occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 72 | Process; plant and machine operatives employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 73 | Elementary occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – Too specific |
| 74 | No qualifications | Employment | Included – Indicative of poorer areas, and people with a poor education |
| 75 | Highest qualification attained level 1 | Employment | Rejected – Indicates little, However Pseudo Included as the extremes of the variance in the education category is included. |
| 76 | Highest qualification attained level 2 | Employment | Rejected – Indicates little, However Pseudo Included as the extremes of the variance in the education category is included. |
| 77 | Highest qualification attained level 3 | Employment | Rejected – Indicates little, However Pseudo Included as the extremes of the variance in the education category is included. |

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| 78 | Highest qualification attained level 4/5 | Employment | Included – Indicative of the richest areas, and people with a very good education |
| 79 | Full time Students | Employment | Included – A large and important group within the modern society |
| 80 | Large employers and higher managerial occupations employment | Employment | Included – Indicative of the top end of the employment ladder. |
| 81 | Higher professional occupations employment | Employment | Included – Indicative of the top end of the employment ladder. |
| 82 | Lower managerial and professional occupations employment | Employment | Included – Indicative of the top end of the employment ladder. |
| 83 | Intermediate occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – The middle rung on the employment ladder, little variance and indicates little. |
| 84 | Small employers and own account workers employment | Employment | Included – Self employed a significant proportion of the workforce as yet not included. |
| 85 | Lower supervisory and technical occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – The lower middle rung on the employment ladder, little variance and indicates little. |
| 86 | Semi-routine occupations employment | Employment | Rejected – The lower middle rung on the employment ladder, little variance and indicates little. |
| 87 | Routine occupations employment | Employment | Included – Indicative of the bottom end of the employment ladder. |
| 88 | Never worked | Employment | Included – Indicative of a more serious unemployment problem, picks out deprived areas with a significant lack of employment. |
| 89 | Long-term unemployed | Employment | Included – Indicative of a more serious unemployment problem, picks out deprived areas with a significant lack of employment. |
| 90 | Train to work | Socio-Economic | Rejected – Small numbers in some areas |
| 91 | Bus, Mini Bus or Coach to work | Socio-Economic | Rejected – Small numbers in some areas |
| 92 | Car to work | Socio-Economic | Included – Indicative of the commuter, high variance |
| 93 | Motorcycle, Scooter or Moped to work | Socio-Economic | Rejected – Small numbers in some areas, little variation |
| 94 | Walk to work | Socio-Economic | Included – A contrast to 92 |
| 95 | Bike to work | Socio-Economic | Rejected – Small numbers in some areas |
| 96 | Work mainly from home | Socio-Economic | Rejected – Small numbers in some areas |
| 97 | Purpose-built flats | Housing | Included – Housing type is indicative of the type and standing of people who live in an area |
| 98 | Terraced houses | Housing | Included – Housing type is indicative of the type and standing of people who live in an area |
| 99 | Detached housing | Housing | Included – Housing type is indicative of the type and standing of people who live in an area |
| 100 | Semi-detached Housing | Housing | Rejected – Pseudo Included as the rest of the variance in the housing category is included |
| 101 | Bedsits | Housing | Included – Housing type is indicative of the type and standing of people who live in an area |
| 102 | Households With no residents: Vacant | Housing | Rejected – Very small numbers in some areas |
| 103 | Households With no residents: Second residence / holiday home | Housing | Included – Indicative of areas where tourism is an important industry. An industry which is of increasing importance to the UK economy. |

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| 104 | Caravan or other mobile or temporary structure | Housing | Rejected – Little variance across areas. |
| 105 | Households with 3+ cars | Socio-Economic | Merged - With 106, Indicative of wealth |
| 106 | Households with 2 cars | Socio-Economic | Merged - With 105, Indicative of wealth |
| 107 | Households with 1 car | Socio-Economic | Rejected – Pseudo Included as the rest of the variance in the car category is included |
| 108 | No car households | Socio-Economic | Included – Indicative of deprivation |
| 109 | Average number of cars per household | Socio-Economic | Rejected – Covered by previous variables, highly correlated with 105 – 108. |
| 110 | LA Rented | Housing | Included – Shows areas with a large amount of council renting, indicative of the poorer end of society. |
| 111 | Owner occupiers | Housing | Rejected – Little variance, Pseudo Included as if it is not rented it must be owner occupied |
| 112 | Private Rented | Housing | Included – Indicative of a young mobile population |
| 113 | Mortgaged | Housing | Rejected – Little variance |
| 114 | Household size | Housing | Included – Gives a good |
| 115 | Rooms per household | Housing | Rejected – Covers the information in 119 plus a bit more |
| 116 | No central heating | Housing | Included – Variation between regions especially urban/rural |
| 117 | Lacking bath, shower and toilet | Housing | Rejected – Small numbers, little variance. |
| 118 | Households: with an occupancy rating of -1 or less (Overcrowding) | Household Composition | Included – An indication of poverty |
| 119 | One-person no-pensioner households | Household Composition | Rejected – Covered to a large extent by 119 |
| 120 | Single pensioner households | Household Composition | Included – Shows areas with a lot of elderly residents, especially coastal resorts. |
| 121 | Wholly student households | Household Composition | Rejected – Highly correlated with 79 |
| 122 | 2 adults no children | Household Composition | Included – The opposite to single parent families an indicator of wealth. |
| 123 | Only Pensioner households | Household Composition | Rejected – Highly correlated with 120 and age groups |
| 124 | Households with dependent children | Household Composition | Included – Gives a distinction between the number of children in an area. An indication as to the make up of the population structure of an area. |
| 125 | Lone Parent Families | Household Composition | Included – An indication of lower levels of wealth and a changing family structure. |
| 126 | Households: With one or more person with a limiting long-term illness | Household Composition | Rejected – Highly correlated with 42 |
| 127 | Households: No adults in employment :with dependent children | Household Composition | Included – Indicative of poverty, especially within children. |
| 128 | Male lone parents | Household Composition | Rejected – Too Specific |
| 129 | Population change 1991 – 2001 | Demographic | Included – An indication of the growth of an area. Also highly correlated with migration, Information that as yet is unavailable for the whole of the UK |

Appendix B - Calculation of the 56 variables from Key Statistics National Report tables

| | Title | Table | England and Wales | Scotland | Northern Ireland |
|----|---|-------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1 | Population Density | KS01 | e/k | e/k | b/g |
| 2 | The percentage of all residents who are between the ages of 0 and 9 | KS02 | c+d+e | c+d+e | c+d+e |
| 3 | The percentage of all residents who are between the ages of 10 and 17 | KS02 | f+g+h | f+g+h | f+g+h |
| 4 | The percentage of all residents who are between the ages of 18 and 24 | KS02 | i+j | i+j | i+j |
| 5 | The percentage of all residents who are between the ages of 25 and 29 | KS02 | k/b | k | k |
| 6 | The percentage of all residents who are between the ages of 45 and 64 | KS02 | m+n | m+n | m+n |
| 7 | The percentage of all residents who are between the ages of 65 or over | KS02 | o+p+q+r | o+p+q+r | o+p+q+r |
| 8 | The percentage of all residents over 16 who are Married | KS03 | c+f | c+f | c+f |
| 9 | The percentage of all residents over 16 who have never been married | KS03 | e | e | e |
| 10 | The percentage of all residents who were born outside UK | KS05 | g+h+i | g+h+i | g+h+i |
| 11 | The percentage of all residents who are Black | KS06 | n+o+p | l+m+n | j+k+l |
| 12 | The percentage of all residents who are Indian, Pakistani or Bangladeshi | KS06 | j+k+l | g+h+i | f+g+h |
| 13 | Percentage of all residents who are Christian | KS07 | c | c+d+e | c+d+e+f+g |
| 14 | Percentage of all residents who are of a religion other to Christian | KS07 | d+e+f+g+h+i | f+g+h+i+j+k | h |
| 15 | The percentage of all residents who have Limiting long-term illness | KS08 | c | c | c |
| 16 | The percentage of all residents whose health is good | KS08 | e | e | e |
| 17 | The percentage of all residents who provide unpaid care | KS08 | h | h | h |
| 18 | The percentage of all residents who are 16 and over and are seeking employment | KS09a | f | f | f |
| 19 | Residents who are economically active residents, as a percentage of residents who are 16+ | KS09a | c+d+e+f+g | c+d+e+f+g | c+d+e+f+g |
| 20 | The percentage of working age males who are unemployed | KS09b | f | f | f |
| 21 | The percentage of working age females who work full time | KS9c | d | d | d |
| 22 | The percentage of working age females who work part time | KS9c | c | c | c |
| 23 | The percentage of working age residents who are employed who are employed in Agriculture; hunting; forestry and fishing | KS11a | c+d | c+d | c |
| 24 | The percentage of working age who are employed who are employed in Real estate; renting and business activities | KS11a | m | m | k |
| 25 | The percentage of working age who are employed who are employed as Managers and senior officials | KS12a | c | c | c |

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| 26 | The percentage of residents age 16 - 74 with no qualifications | KS13 | c | c | c |
| 27 | The percentage people of working age with First degree; Higher degree; NVQ levels 4 and 5; HNC; HND; Qualified Teacher Status; Qualified Medical Doctor; Qualified Dentist; Qualified Nurse; Midwife; Health Visitor | KS13 | g | g | g+h |
| 28 | The percentage of all residents who are 16 and over and in full time education | KS14a | m | m | m |
| 29 | The percentage of working age who are employed who are employed in Large employers and higher managerial occupations | KS14a | c | c | c |
| 30 | The percentage of working age who are employed who are employed in Higher professional occupations | KS14a | d | d | d |
| 31 | The percentage of working age who are employed who are employed in Lower managerial and professional occupations | KS14a | e | e | e |
| 32 | The percentage of working age who are employed who are employed in Small employers and own account workers | KS14a | g | g | g |
| 33 | The percentage of working age who are employed who are employed in Routine occupations | KS14a | j | j | j |
| 34 | The percentage of working age who are employed who have never worked | KS14a | k | k | k |
| 35 | The percentage of working age who are Long-term unemployed (year last worked is 1999 or earlier) | KS14a | l | l | l |
| 36 | Residents who travel to work by car as a percentage of residents who are in employment | KS15 | h+i+j | h+i+j | g+h+i+j |
| 37 | Residents who travel to work by foot as a percentage of residents who are in employment | KS15 | l | l | l |
| 38 | All household spaces which are of accommodation type: Flat; maisonette or apartment: Purpose Built block of flats or tenement as a percentage of all households | KS16 | h | l | l |
| 39 | All household spaces which are of accommodation type: Whole house or bungalow: Terraced (including end terrace) as a percentage of all households | KS16 | g | k | k |
| 40 | All household spaces which are of accommodation type: Whole house or bungalow: Detached as a percentage of all households | KS16 | e | i | i |
| 41 | Households which are Bedsits as a percentage of all households | KS16 | i | m | m |
| 42 | Households which contain no residents: Second residence / holiday accommodation a percentage of all households | KS16 | d | g | h |
| 43 | Households with 2+ cars as a percentage of all Households | KS17 | e+f+g | e+f+g | e+f+g |
| 44 | Households with no cars as a percentage of all Households | KS17 | c | c | c |
| 45 | Households which are local authority rented or housing association as a percentage of all households | KS18 | f+g | f+g | f+g |
| 46 | Households which are privately Rented as a percentage of all households | KS18 | h | h+i | h |
| 47 | The Average Number of people per household | KS19 | c | c | c |

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| 48 | Households which have no central heating as a percentage of all households | KS19 | g+h | g+h | h+i |
| 49 | The percentage of all Households: with an occupancy rating of -1 or less (The occupancy rating provides a measure of under-occupancy and overcrowding. For example; a value of -1 implies that there is one room too few and that there is overcrowding in the household. The occupancy rating assumes that every household; including one person households, requires a minimum of two common rooms (excluding bathrooms)) | KS19 | e | e | e |
| 50 | Households containing only one permanent resident who is not a pensioner as a percentage of all households | KS20 | d | d | d |
| 51 | Households containing only one permanent resident who is a pensioner as a percentage of all households | KS20 | c | c | c |
| 52 | Households which contain 2 adults no children as a percentage of all households (Households comprising: One family and no others: Married/cohabiting couple households: No children) | KS20 | f+i | f+i | f+i |
| 53 | Households which contain dependent children as a percentage of all households | KS20 | g+j+l+n | g+j+l+n | g+j+l+n |
| 54 | The percentage of one parent households as a percentage of all households which contain children | KS20 | l+m | l+m | l+m |
| 55 | The percentage of all Households: No adults in employment :with dependent children (A dependent child is a person in a household aged 0 -15 (whether or not in a family) or a person aged 16 - 18 who is a full-time student in a family with parent(s)) | KS21 | c | c | c |
| 56 | The percentage Population change 1991 - 2001 | KS01 | e-b | e-b | b-(1991 data not in KS01 was obtained from Casweb (column C in NI.xls |

Appendix C - List of similarity between LAs

The distance between the LAs is measured by the sum of the squared Euclidian distance between each variable. A list of five is given for each LA however they are of varying distances apart and their listing does not suggest that they are very similar to the LA just that they are the five most similar.

The following will indicate of how to appreciate if the distances between the LAs:

- The two most similar LAs are Rochdale & Oldham at a distance of 1.243
- The average distance between all the LAs is 9.603
- The two least similar LAs are City of London & Strabane at a distance of 35.381

As a very loose guide the values could be described as in the table below:

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| Similar | Under 4 |
| Fairly Similar | 4 - 7 |
| Averagely Similar/Dissimilar | 7 - 11 |
| Dissimilar | 11 - 16 |
| Very Dissimilar | Above 16 |

We will be happy to supply the entire proximity matrix or a custom proximity values for individual LAs by request.

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| Aberdeen City | Edinburgh, City of 4.104 | Norwich LA 6.237 | Bristol, City of UA 6.33 | Southampton UA 6.568 | Cheltenham LA 6.772 |
| Aberdeenshire | Moray 3.904 | Selby LA 4.39 | Kennet LA 4.448 | Mendip LA 4.451 | Melton LA 4.477 |
| Adur LA | Lewes LA 3.1 | Wyre LA 3.58 | Poole UA 3.583 | Taunton Deane LA 3.744 | Arun LA 3.9 |
| Allerdale LA | Carlisle LA 3.057 | Copeland LA 3.28 | Dover LA 3.438 | Alnwick LA 3.697 | Bassetlaw LA 3.738 |
| Alnwick LA | Teesdale LA 3.325 | North Devon LA 3.569 | Tynedale LA 3.59 | Allerdale LA 3.697 | Herefordshire, County of UA 4.068 |
| Amber Valley LA | Wyre Forest LA 2.091 | Erewash LA 2.164 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.278 | North West Leicestershire LA 2.494 | North Warwickshire LA 2.761 |
| Angus | Scottish Borders 3.062 | Moray 3.111 | South Ayrshire 3.271 | Perth & Kinross 3.334 | Fife 3.62 |
| Antrim | Lisburn 3.144 | Ballymena 3.685 | Down 4.173 | Banbridge 4.228 | Carrickfergus 4.286 |

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| Ards | Carrickfergus 3.208 | Newtownabbey 3.228 | Larne 3.379 | Ballymena 4.027 | Flintshire UA 4.311 |
| Argyll & Bute | Highland 4.476 | Alnwick LA 5.874 | Perth & Kinross 5.892 | Berwick-upon-Tweed LA 6.115 | Scarborough LA 6.12 |
| Armagh | Dungannon 2.192 | Down 3.012 | Magherafelt 3.056 | Cookstown 3.094 | Omagh 3.115 |
| Arun LA | East Devon LA 3.017 | Christchurch LA 3.065 | Rother LA 3.106 | Lewes LA 3.215 | Tendring LA 3.52 |
| Ashfield LA | Mansfield LA 2.141 | Wakefield LA 2.43 | Doncaster LA 2.557 | Bolsover LA 2.717 | Rotherham LA 2.797 |
| Ashford LA | Braintree LA 1.684 | West Wiltshire LA 2.049 | South Kesteven LA 2.171 | East Northamptonshire 2.577 | Tonbridge and Malling LA 2.592 |
| Aylesbury Vale LA | Mid Bedfordshire 1.936 | East Hertfordshire 2.164 | Huntingdonshire 2.39 | West Berkshire UA 2.428 | North Wiltshire LA 2.451 |
| Babergh LA | Stroud LA 1.754 | Wychavon LA 2.362 | South Norfolk LA 2.368 | Tewkesbury LA 2.371 | Monmouthshire UA 2.512 |
| Ballymena | Larne 3.223 | Antrim 3.685 | Newtownabbey 4.018 | Ards 4.027 | Ballymoney 4.309 |
| Ballymoney | Armagh 3.344 | Dungannon 3.871 | Magherafelt 4.039 | Fermanagh 4.079 | Down 4.285 |
| Banbridge | Down 4.109 | Antrim 4.228 | Ards 4.457 | Ballymoney 4.46 | Ballymena 4.515 |
| Barking and Dagenham LB | Rochdale LA 6.312 | Oldham LA 6.336 | Coventry LA 6.363 | Greenwich LB 6.509 | Sandwell LA 6.53 |
| Barnet LB | Ealing LB 4.949 | Hounslow LB 4.954 | Harrow LB 5.093 | Redbridge LB 5.537 | Merton LB 5.779 |
| Barnsley LA | Mansfield LA 1.801 | Bolsover LA 2.113 | Doncaster LA 2.142 | Rotherham LA 2.507 | Wakefield LA 2.607 |
| Barrow-in-Furness LA | Burnley LA 5.327 | St. Helens LA 5.44 | North East Lincolnshire UA 5.487 | Hyndburn LA 5.631 | Great Yarmouth LA 5.656 |
| Basildon LA | Dartford LA 2.977 | Thurrock UA 3.082 | Gravesham LA 3.261 | Broxbourne LA 3.271 | Peterborough UA 3.307 |
| Basingstoke and Deane LA | West Berkshire UA 2.27 | Huntingdonshire 2.654 | Mid Bedfordshire 2.671 | East Hertfordshire 2.739 | Aylesbury Vale LA 2.748 |
| Bassetlaw LA | North Lincolnshire UA 2.121 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.379 | Doncaster LA 2.765 | Rotherham LA 2.916 | Ashfield LA 3.009 |
| Bath and North East Somerset UA | York UA 2.966 | Cheltenham LA 3.09 | Chester LA 3.359 | Warwick LA 3.451 | Colchester LA 3.988 |
| Bedford LA | Colchester LA 3.262 | Northampton LA 3.609 | Hillingdon LB 3.751 | Peterborough UA 3.865 | Dartford LA 3.902 |
| Belfast | Middlesborough 6.653 | Liverpool LA 7.359 | Sunderland LA 7.853 | Knowsley LA 7.965 | Hartlepool UA 7.967 |
| Berwick-upon-Tweed LA | Scarborough LA 4.416 | Alnwick LA 4.595 | Dumfries & Galloway 5.054 | North Devon LA 5.076 | Teesdale LA 5.211 |
| Bexley LB | Havering LB 2.381 | Stockport LA 3.546 | Bury LA 3.57 | Basildon LA 3.572 | Dartford LA 3.576 |
| Birmingham LA | Bradford LA 5.046 | Wolverhampton LA 5.317 | Sandwell LA 5.537 | Blackburn with Darwen UA 5.924 | Leicester UA 6.034 |
| Blaby LA | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 2.783 | South Derbyshire LA 3.01 | South Gloucestershire UA 3.089 | Eastleigh LA 3.105 | Selby LA 3.309 |
| Blackburn with Darwen UA | Bradford LA 3.462 | Oldham LA 4.551 | Pendle LA 4.621 | Rochdale LA 4.809 | Burnley LA 5.718 |
| Blackpool UA | Torbay UA 4.549 | Thanet LA 4.616 | Hastings LA 4.802 | Scarborough LA 5.824 | Great Yarmouth LA 5.9 |
| Blaenau Gwent UA | Merthyr Tydfil UA 2.455 | Easington LA 3.454 | Rhondda, Cynon, Taff UA 3.824 | Caerphilly UA 4.277 | Hartlepool UA 4.55 |

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| Blyth Valley LA | Wakefield LA 2.832 | Wigan LA 2.889 | Rotherham LA 3.029 | Chester-le-Street 3.032 | Stockton-on-Tees 3.172 |
| Bolsover LA | Barnsley LA 2.113 | Mansfield LA 2.376 | Ashfield LA 2.717 | Doncaster LA 2.972 | Rotherham LA 3.194 |
| Bolton LA | Rochdale LA 2.293 | Tameside LA 2.617 | Oldham LA 2.642 | Derby UA 3.018 | Calderdale LA 3.08 |
| Boston LA | Fenland LA 2.974 | King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA 3.033 | Breckland LA 3.372 | South Holland LA 3.67 | Newark and Sherwood LA 4.026 |
| Bournemouth UA | Southend-on-Sea 5.118 | Eastbourne LA 5.258 | Worthing LA 5.551 | Cheltenham LA 5.633 | Canterbury LA 5.697 |
| Bracknell Forest UA | Basingstoke and Deane LA 3.247 | Aylesbury Vale LA 3.696 | East Hertfordshire LA 3.934 | West Berkshire UA 4.085 | Rushmoor LA 4.134 |
| Bradford LA | Blackburn with Darwen UA 3.462 | Kirklees LA 4.151 | Pendle LA 4.511 | Preston LA 4.773 | Birmingham LA 5.046 |
| Braintree LA | Ashford LA 1.684 | East Northamptonshire 2.247 | West Wiltshire LA 2.254 | Tonbridge and Malling LA 2.42 | St. Edmundsbury LA 2.474 |
| Breckland LA | Fenland LA 2.091 | Sedgemoor LA 2.841 | Forest of Dean LA 2.981 | Herefordshire, County of UA 3.007 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 3.112 |
| Brent LB | Ealing LB 5.727 | Waltham Forest LB 6.965 | Haringey LB 7.44 | Hounslow LB 7.778 | Redbridge LB 8.639 |
| Brentwood LA | Sevenoaks LA 2.356 | Epsom and Ewell 2.679 | Macclesfield LA 2.707 | Mid Sussex LA 2.858 | Mole Valley LA 2.968 |
| Bridgend UA | Torfaen UA 2.7 | Caerphilly UA 2.747 | Mansfield LA 2.946 | Rotherham LA 3.206 | Doncaster LA 3.225 |
| Bridgnorth LA | Hambleton LA 3.118 | North Shropshire 3.159 | Melton LA 3.183 | Babergh LA 3.387 | Derbyshire Dales 3.403 |
| Brighton and Hove | Bournemouth UA 6.002 | Bristol, City of UA 6.31 | Cheltenham LA 6.635 | Edinburgh, City of 7.398 | Exeter LA 7.446 |
| Bristol, City of UA | Cardiff UA 3.998 | Portsmouth UA 4.023 | Southampton UA 4.69 | Cheltenham LA 4.824 | Leeds LA 4.849 |
| Broadland LA | South Norfolk LA 2.063 | North Kesteven LA 2.818 | Mid Suffolk LA 2.885 | Babergh LA 3.135 | New Forest LA 3.172 |
| Bromley LB | Sutton LB 3.393 | Trafford LA 3.554 | Epping Forest LA 3.743 | Epsom and Ewell 3.836 | Spelthorne LA 3.866 |
| Bromsgrove LA | Congleton LA 2.065 | Lichfield LA 2.096 | South Staffordshire 2.509 | Wychavon LA 2.744 | Fareham LA 2.812 |
| Broxbourne LA | Dartford LA 2.497 | South Bedfordshire 2.868 | Braintree LA 2.961 | Maidstone LA 3.237 | Basildon LA 3.271 |
| Broxtowe LA | Gedling LA 2.098 | Stafford LA 2.64 | Stockport LA 3.035 | Rugby LA 3.036 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 3.167 |
| Burnley LA | Hyndburn LA 2.136 | Pendle LA 3.412 | Bolton LA 3.56 | Tameside LA 3.632 | Rochdale LA 3.742 |
| Bury LA | Rossendale LA 2.675 | Stockport LA 2.978 | Gravesham LA 3.137 | Bolton LA 3.2 | Peterborough UA 3.242 |
| Caerphilly UA | Torfaen UA 2.214 | Rhondda, Cynon, Taff UA 2.55 | Bridgend UA 2.747 | Barnsley LA 3.639 | Sedgefield LA 3.694 |
| Calderdale LA | Kirklees LA 3.013 | Bolton LA 3.08 | Rossendale LA 3.767 | Tameside LA 3.839 | East Staffordshire 3.926 |
| Cambridge LA | Oxford LA 2.903 | Southampton UA 8.784 | Reading UA 9.247 | Edinburgh, City of 9.576 | Exeter LA 9.99 |
| Camden LB | Hammersmith and Fulham LB 5.977 | Islington LB 6.027 | Westminster LB 6.205 | Kensington and Chelsea LB 7.224 | Lambeth LB 9.091 |
| Cannock Chase LA | Flintshire UA 2.515 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 2.589 | North Warwickshire LA 3.065 | Erewash LA 3.069 | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 3.229 |

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| Canterbury LA | Lancaster LA 3.468 | York UA 3.747 | Bath and North East Somerset UA 4.059 | Stirling 4.329 | Charnwood LA 4.786 |
| Caradon LA | North Devon LA 2.815 | West Devon LA 2.849 | Kerrier LA 3.061 | Teignbridge LA 3.103 | Carrick LA 3.112 |
| Cardiff UA | Bristol, City of UA 3.998 | Preston LA 4.224 | Coventry LA 4.405 | Leeds LA 4.591 | Sheffield LA 5.025 |
| Carlisle LA | Dover LA 2.957 | Allerdale LA 3.057 | Darlington UA 3.221 | Weymouth and Portland LA 3.299 | Angus 3.813 |
| Carmarthenshire UA | Denbighshire UA 3.36 | Pembrokeshire UA 4.219 | Wyre LA 4.287 | Kerrier LA 4.297 | Bridgend UA 4.299 |
| Carrick LA | Isle of Wight UA 2.817 | Teignbridge LA 3.085 | Caradon LA 3.112 | Conwy UA 3.113 | Kerrier LA 3.183 |
| Carrickfergus | Newtownabbey 2.162 | Ards 3.208 | Telford and Wrekin 3.451 | Lisburn 3.638 | Larne 3.948 |
| Castle Morpeth LA | Monmouthshire UA 3.264 | Tynedale LA 3.643 | Stafford LA 3.776 | Malvern Hills LA 3.932 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 4.165 |
| Castle Point LA | Rochford LA 2.677 | Forest of Dean LA 3.405 | Gedling LA 3.446 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 3.572 | Staffordshire Moorlands LA 3.643 |
| Castlereagh | North Down 3.557 | Newtownabbey 3.679 | Carrickfergus 4.43 | Ards 4.74 | Warrington UA 4.871 |
| Ceredigion UA | Canterbury LA 6.206 | Lancaster LA 6.455 | Carrick LA 6.946 | Gwynedd UA 7.206 | Torridge LA 7.385 |
| Charnwood LA | Colchester LA 3.405 | Oadby and Wigston 3.719 | Bedford LA 4.159 | Broxtowe LA 4.175 | Stirling 4.464 |
| Chelmsford LA | Maidstone LA 2.123 | Mid Sussex LA 2.64 | South Bedfordshire 2.769 | North Hertfordshire 2.787 | Eastleigh LA 2.874 |
| Cheltenham LA | Bath and North East Somerset UA 3.09 | York UA 3.473 | Warwick LA 4.015 | Chester LA 4.523 | Worcester LA 4.715 |
| Cherwell LA | Huntingdonshire LA 2.428 | North Wiltshire LA 2.473 | Mid Bedfordshire LA 2.672 | Aylesbury Vale LA 2.72 | South Gloucestershire UA 2.859 |
| Chester LA | Stafford LA 3.195 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 3.258 | Stockport LA 3.28 | Warwick LA 3.298 | Bath and North East Somerset UA 3.359 |
| Chesterfield LA | Mansfield LA 3.128 | North Tyneside LA 3.243 | Rotherham LA 3.26 | Wakefield LA 3.309 | Doncaster LA 3.369 |
| Chester-le-Street LA | Wigan LA 2.939 | Blyth Valley LA 3.032 | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 3.111 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 3.673 | Wakefield LA 3.706 |
| Chichester LA | Lewes LA 2.845 | Cotswold LA 2.866 | New Forest LA 3.169 | Suffolk Coastal LA 3.233 | West Dorset LA 3.234 |
| Chiltern LA | South Bucks LA 1.804 | Waverley LA 2.945 | Uttlesford LA 3.379 | Surrey Heath LA 3.456 | Mole Valley LA 3.512 |
| Chorley LA | Warrington UA 2.052 | South Ribble LA 2.139 | Vale Royal LA 2.39 | North Warwickshire 2.398 | Rugby LA 2.635 |
| Christchurch LA | Rother LA 3.025 | Arun LA 3.065 | East Devon LA 3.7 | Tendring LA 3.878 | North Norfolk LA 4.993 |
| City of London LB | Westminster LB 15.231 | Kensington and Chelsea LB 17.846 | Camden LB 18.101 | Hammersmith and Fulham LB 18.916 | Wandsworth LB 19.436 |
| Clackmannanshire | Falkirk 2.314 | Fife 2.742 | South Lanarkshire 3.03 | East Ayrshire 3.365 | North Ayrshire 3.704 |
| Colchester LA | Maidstone LA 3.153 | Bedford LA 3.262 | Ashford LA 3.27 | Chelmsford LA 3.271 | Braintree LA 3.339 |
| Coleraine | Down 4.866 | Larne 4.936 | Moyle 5.322 | Ballymena 5.322 | Craigavon 5.608 |
| Congleton LA | Bromsgrove LA 2.065 | Wychevdon LA 2.457 | Tewkesbury LA 2.484 | Lichfield LA 2.601 | Stafford LA 2.669 |
| Conwy UA | Denbighshire UA 2.529 | Isle of Wight UA 2.669 | Carrick LA 3.113 | Torbay UA 3.529 | Shepway LA 3.569 |

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| Cookstown | Dungannon 1.653 | Magherafelt 3.023 | Armagh 3.094 | Omagh 3.357 | Newry and Mourne 3.491 |
| Copeland LA | Redcar and Cleveland UA 3.069 | Doncaster LA 3.15 | Allerdale LA 3.28 | Darlington UA 3.387 | Stockton-on-Tees UA 3.492 |
| Corby LA | West Lothian 4.64 | Blyth Valley LA 4.674 | Tameside LA 4.681 | Clackmannanshire 4.727 | Wakefield LA 4.773 |
| Cotswold LA | Stratford-upon-Avon LA 2.856 | Chichester LA 2.866 | Harrogate LA 3.206 | Salisbury LA 3.367 | Wealden LA 3.377 |
| Coventry LA | Preston LA 2.79 | Derby UA 3.873 | Bolton LA 4.356 | Cardiff UA 4.405 | Leeds LA 4.502 |
| Craigavon | Lisburn 4.019 | Larne 4.153 | Down 4.494 | Ballymena 4.67 | Antrim 4.696 |
| Craven LA | South Lakeland LA 3.433 | South Somerset LA 3.671 | Tynedale LA 3.712 | West Devon LA 3.713 | Mid Devon LA 3.735 |
| Crawley LA | Dartford LA 3.49 | Stevenage LA 3.52 | Swindon UA 3.811 | Northampton LA 3.844 | Thurrock UA 4.241 |
| Crewe and Nantwich LA | East Staffordshire LA 1.984 | Vale Royal LA 2.684 | Sedgemoor LA 2.749 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 2.755 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.84 |
| Croydon LB | Enfield LB 3.596 | Waltham Forest LB 5.334 | Hillingdon LB 5.537 | Merton LB 5.657 | Sutton LB 5.86 |
| Dacorum LA | North Hertfordshire LA 1.888 | South Bedfordshire LA 2.744 | Chelmsford LA 2.924 | Three Rivers LA 2.952 | Basingstoke and Deane LA 3.079 |
| Darlington UA | Dover LA 2.653 | North Tyneside LA 2.972 | Carlisle LA 3.221 | Doncaster LA 3.373 | Copeland LA 3.387 |
| Dartford LA | Broxbourne LA 2.497 | Swindon UA 2.502 | Thurrock UA 2.588 | Basildon LA 2.977 | Northampton LA 2.982 |
| Daventry LA | South Northamptonshire 2.152 | North Wiltshire LA 2.314 | Huntingdonshire LA 2.366 | Mid Bedfordshire LA 2.404 | Test Valley LA 2.453 |
| Denbighshire UA | Conwy UA 2.529 | Shepway LA 3.164 | Wyre LA 3.326 | Kerrier LA 3.344 | Carmarthenshire 3.36 |
| Derby UA | Preston LA 2.943 | Bolton LA 3.018 | Sheffield LA 3.47 | Ipswich LA 3.66 | Leeds LA 3.741 |
| Derbyshire Dales | Malvern Hills LA 2.677 | Suffolk Coastal LA 2.781 | Babergh LA 2.83 | Tynedale LA 2.957 | Monmouthshire UA 3.035 |
| Derry | Strabane 6.588 | Newry and Mourne 6.851 | Limavady 7.089 | Omagh 7.801 | Craigavon 8.446 |
| Derwentside LA | Sedgefield LA 1.892 | Wear Valley LA 2.279 | Wansbeck LA 2.353 | Torfaen UA 3.365 | Barnsley LA 3.532 |
| Doncaster LA | Mansfield LA 1.719 | Rotherham LA 1.885 | Wakefield LA 2.122 | Barnsley LA 2.142 | Ashfield LA 2.557 |
| Dover LA | Shepway LA 2.341 | Weymouth and Portland LA 2.614 | Darlington UA 2.653 | Carlisle LA 2.957 | Allerdale LA 3.438 |
| Down | Armagh 3.012 | Lisburn 3.725 | Banbridge 4.109 | Antrim 4.173 | Dungannon 4.228 |
| Dudley LA | Erewash LA 3.409 | Wrexham UA 3.526 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 3.537 | Wakefield LA 3.601 | Rotherham LA 3.648 |
| Dumfries & Galloway | Scottish Borders 3.773 | Angus 3.856 | Allerdale LA 3.96 | Alnwick LA 4.074 | Highland 4.392 |
| Dundee City | Glasgow City 5.949 | Inverclyde 6.448 | Newcastle upon Tyne LA 6.497 | West Dunbartonshire 6.599 | Norwich LA 7.085 |
| Dungannon | Cookstown 1.653 | Armagh 2.192 | Omagh 2.869 | Magherafelt 2.97 | Newry and Mourne 3.084 |
| Durham LA | Canterbury LA 5.068 | Lancaster LA 5.649 | Charnwood LA 5.664 | Newcastle-under-Lyme LA 5.679 | York UA 5.777 |
| Ealing LB | Hounslow LB 3.472 | Barnet LB 4.949 | Brent LB 5.727 | Redbridge LB 5.858 | Merton LB 5.998 |
| Easington LA | Merthyr Tydfil UA 3.204 | Blaenau Gwent UA 3.454 | Neath Port Talbot 4.029 | Sedgefield LA 4.154 | Barnsley LA 4.367 |

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| East Ayrshire | North Ayrshire 2.428 | Clackmannanshire 3.365 | Fife 3.835 | Falkirk 4.022 | South Lanarkshire 4.055 |
| East Cambridgeshire | Mid Suffolk LA 3.111 | Wychavon LA 3.164 | South Kesteven LA 3.323 | Maldon LA 3.406 | Harborough LA 3.495 |
| East Devon LA | West Dorset LA 2.257 | Rother LA 2.921 | Arun LA 3.017 | North Norfolk LA 3.19 | West Somerset LA 3.679 |
| East Dorset LA | New Forest LA 2.915 | Wealden LA 3.284 | Malvern Hills LA 3.848 | South Norfolk LA 3.977 | Broadland LA 4.284 |
| East Dunbartonshire | East Renfrewshire 2.312 | Solihull LA 3.557 | Vale of Glamorgan, The UA 4.362 | Stockport LA 4.524 | Chelmsford LA 4.558 |
| East Hampshire LA | Uttlesford LA 1.336 | Horsham LA 1.994 | Mid Sussex LA 2.052 | Test Valley LA 2.14 | Vale of White Horse LA 2.263 |
| East Hertfordshire LA | West Berkshire UA 2.047 | Mid Bedfordshire LA 2.068 | Aylesbury Vale LA 2.164 | South Oxfordshire LA 2.168 | Vale of White Horse LA 2.56 |
| East Lindsey LA | King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA 3.705 | North Norfolk LA 3.971 | Torridge LA 4.209 | Restormel LA 4.388 | South Holland LA 4.483 |
| East Lothian | Midlothian 3.029 | Angus 3.951 | Basildon LA 4.13 | Fife 4.17 | Perth & Kinross 4.205 |
| East Northamptonshire | Braintree LA 2.247 | South Kesteven LA 2.514 | Kettering LA 2.573 | Ashford LA 2.577 | Daventry LA 2.6 |
| East Renfrewshire | East Dunbartonshire 2.312 | Solihull LA 3.868 | Three Rivers LA 4.133 | Hertsmere LA 4.308 | Chelmsford LA 4.577 |
| East Riding of Yorkshire UA | Sedgemoor LA 1.964 | West Lindsey LA 2.273 | Forest of Dean LA 2.432 | South Somerset LA 2.555 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.588 |
| East Staffordshire LA | Crewe and Nantwich LA 1.984 | Swale LA 2.93 | Erewash LA 3.008 | Kettering LA 3.101 | Oswestry LA 3.393 |
| Eastbourne LA | Worthing LA 3.919 | Torbay UA 4.605 | Arun LA 4.638 | Thanet LA 5.018 | Shepway LA 5.04 |
| Eastleigh LA | South Gloucestershire UA 1.765 | Test Valley LA 2.192 | Tonbridge and Malling LA 2.551 | North Wiltshire LA 2.644 | Fareham LA 2.66 |
| Eden LA | Ryedale LA 2.528 | South Shropshire 3.662 | Mid Devon LA 3.778 | West Devon LA 3.843 | Powys UA 3.962 |
| Edinburgh, City of | Aberdeen City 4.104 | Reading UA 7.146 | Bristol, City of UA 7.183 | Cheltenham LA 7.225 | Brighton and Hove 7.398 |
| Eilean Siar | Highland 6.154 | Isle of Anglesey UA 6.514 | Dumfries & Galloway 6.741 | Allerdale LA 6.848 | Pembrokeshire UA 6.873 |
| Ellesmere Port and Neston LA | Flintshire UA 2.456 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 2.783 | West Lancashire LA 2.948 | Warrington UA 3.031 | Newark and Sherwood LA 3.079 |
| Elmbridge LA | St. Albans LA 3.03 | Windsor and Maidenhead UA 3.181 | South Bucks LA 3.423 | Woking LA 3.679 | Chiltern LA 3.913 |
| Enfield LB | Croydon LB 3.596 | Hillingdon LB 5.03 | Waltham Forest LB 5.26 | Greenwich LB 5.457 | Redbridge LB 5.47 |
| Epping Forest LA | Maidstone LA 3.052 | Sevenoaks LA 3.206 | Three Rivers LA 3.331 | Spelthorne LA 3.345 | Hertsmere LA 3.353 |
| Epsom and Ewell LA | Reigate and Banstead LA 2.524 | Brentwood LA 2.679 | Three Rivers LA 2.833 | Mid Sussex LA 2.936 | Tandridge LA 3.029 |
| Erewash LA | Amber Valley LA 2.164 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 2.516 | Wyre Forest LA 2.784 | Flintshire UA 2.896 | Crewe and Nantwich LA 2.91 |
| Exeter LA | Portsmouth UA 4.216 | Southampton UA 4.569 | York UA 4.743 | Lancaster LA 4.884 | Bristol, City of UA 5.141 |
| Falkirk | Clackmannanshire 2.314 | South Lanarkshire 2.382 | Fife 2.636 | Renfrewshire 3.023 | Blyth Valley LA 3.352 |
| Fareham LA | Eastleigh LA 2.66 | Test Valley LA 2.667 | Congleton LA 2.698 | Tewkesbury LA 2.722 | Bromsgrove LA 2.812 |

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| Fenland LA | Breckland LA 2.091 | Boston LA 2.974 | Sedgemoor LA 3.051 | King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA 3.309 | South Holland LA 3.456 |
| Fermanagh | Armagh 3.409 | Omagh 3.527 | Dungannon 3.793 | Newry and Mourne 4.038 | Ballymoney 4.079 |
| Fife | Falkirk 2.636 | Clackmannanshire 2.742 | South Lanarkshire 3.149 | South Ayrshire 3.298 | Angus 3.62 |
| Flintshire UA | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 2.456 | Cannock Chase LA 2.515 | North Warwickshire LA 2.679 | South Ribble LA 2.853 | Crewe and Nantwich LA 2.885 |
| Forest Heath LA | St. Edmundsbury 4.675 | Cherwell LA 4.753 | Swindon UA 4.773 | Kettering LA 4.965 | Kennet LA 5.004 |
| Forest of Dean LA | West Lindsey LA 2.385 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.394 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.432 | Sedgemoor LA 2.456 | Babergh LA 2.689 |
| Fylde LA | Lewes LA 3.33 | Chichester LA 3.783 | North Somerset UA 3.791 | Wyre LA 3.915 | Arun LA 3.952 |
| Gateshead LA | Sunderland LA 2.865 | North Tyneside LA 3.07 | Wansbeck LA 3.442 | Salford LA 3.52 | Barnsley LA 3.899 |
| Gedling LA | Broxtowe LA 2.098 | Wyre Forest LA 2.687 | Stafford LA 2.709 | Amber Valley LA 2.883 | Erewash LA 2.918 |
| Glasgow City | Dundee City 5.949 | West Dunbartonshire 7.921 | Inverclyde 8.432 | Manchester LA 9.189 | Newcastle upon Tyne LA 9.238 |
| Gloucester LA | Worcester LA 3.3 | Northampton LA 3.418 | Medway UA 3.463 | Dartford LA 3.464 | East Staffordshire 3.532 |
| Gosport LA | Dartford LA 3.563 | Gloucester LA 3.577 | Basildon LA 3.713 | Medway UA 3.757 | Swindon UA 3.793 |
| Gravesham LA | Swale LA 2.851 | Medway UA 2.988 | Bury LA 3.137 | Peterborough UA 3.138 | Wellingborough LA 3.178 |
| Great Yarmouth | Waveney LA 2.836 | Thanet LA 3.869 | Copeland LA 4.168 | Allerdale LA 4.194 | Doncaster LA 4.311 |
| Greenwich LB | Waltham Forest LB 4.679 | Enfield LB 5.457 | Lewisham LB 5.73 | Croydon LB 6.074 | Barking and Dagenham LB 6.509 |
| Guildford LA | Runnymede LA 3.066 | Warwick LA 3.185 | Winchester LA 3.235 | Reigate and Banstead LA 3.711 | Waverley LA 3.88 |
| Gwynedd UA | Isle of Anglesey UA 4.375 | Pembrokeshire UA 4.807 | Carrick LA 4.87 | Kerrier LA 4.958 | Penwith LA 4.986 |
| Hackney LB | Southwark LB 5.918 | Haringey LB 6.539 | Islington LB 7.85 | Lewisham LB 7.892 | Lambeth LB 7.907 |
| Halton UA | St. Helens LA 2.771 | Stockton-on-Tees 3.695 | Newport UA 3.79 | Sunderland LA 3.949 | Wigan LA 4.019 |
| Hambleton LA | Wychavon LA 2.95 | Babergh LA 2.971 | Mid Suffolk LA 2.974 | Melton LA 2.99 | Ribble Valley LA 3 |
| Hammersmith and Fulham LB | Wandsworth LB 5.214 | Camden LB 5.977 | Islington LB 6.536 | Kensington and Chelsea LB 6.889 | Lambeth LB 7.026 |
| Harborough LA | South Northamptonshire 2.128 | Horsham LA 2.433 | Test Valley LA 2.458 | Uttlesford LA 2.491 | East Hampshire LA 2.589 |
| Haringey LB | Lewisham LB 5.472 | Lambeth LB 5.956 | Hackney LB 6.539 | Waltham Forest LB 6.934 | Southwark LB 7.167 |
| Harlow LA | Stevenage LA 2.461 | Basildon LA 3.618 | Thurrock UA 3.921 | West Lothian 3.929 | Northampton LA 4.152 |
| Harrogate LA | Salisbury LA 2.275 | Tunbridge Wells 2.646 | Tewkesbury LA 3.001 | Kennet LA 3.148 | Cotswold LA 3.206 |
| Harrow LB | Redbridge LB 4.227 | Barnet LB 5.093 | Hounslow LB 5.232 | Ealing LB 6.321 | Slough UA 6.465 |
| Hart LA | Surrey Heath LA 1.626 | Wokingham UA 2.188 | West Berkshire UA 3.364 | South Oxfordshire LA 3.528 | South Cambridgeshire LA 3.667 |
| Hartlepool UA | Redcar and Cleveland UA 2.665 | Sunderland LA 3.186 | Middlesborough UA 3.59 | South Tyneside LA 3.906 | Doncaster LA 3.932 |

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| Hastings LA | Southend-on-Sea 3.839 | Thanet LA 3.881 | Torbay UA 4.73 | Shepway LA 4.776 | Blackpool UA 4.802 |
| Havant LA | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 3.361 | Wyre Forest LA 3.376 | Stockport LA 3.584 | Crewe and Nantwich LA 3.601 | Sedgemoor LA 3.679 |
| Havering LB | Bexley LB 2.381 | Stockport LA 3.326 | Basildon LA 3.49 | Havant LA 3.774 | Bury LA 3.792 |
| Herefordshire, County of UA | Mid Devon LA 2.149 | North Shropshire LA 2.215 | South Somerset LA 2.64 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.647 | Oswestry LA 2.653 |
| Hertsmere LA | Three Rivers LA 2.7 | North Hertfordshire 3.268 | Epping Forest LA 3.353 | Dacorum LA 3.362 | Wycombe LA 3.71 |
| High Peak LA | Rugby LA 2.403 | Chorley LA 2.809 | Kettering LA 2.864 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 2.882 | West Wiltshire LA 2.975 |
| Highland | Angus 3.722 | Moray 3.987 | Perth & Kinross 4.011 | Scottish Borders 4.28 | Dumfries & Galloway 4.392 |
| Hillingdon LB | Bedford LA 3.751 | Watford LA 3.994 | Sutton LB 4.298 | Hertsmere LA 4.494 | Crawley LA 4.684 |
| Hinckley and Bosworth LA | North West Leicestershire LA 1.782 | North Warwickshire LA 2.373 | Stafford LA 2.549 | Wyre Forest LA 2.636 | Melton LA 2.644 |
| Horsham LA | East Hampshire LA 1.994 | Uttersford LA 2.051 | Mid Sussex LA 2.074 | Tandridge LA 2.083 | Test Valley LA 2.3 |
| Hounslow LB | Ealing LB 3.472 | Slough UA 4.677 | Redbridge LB 4.899 | Barnet LB 4.954 | Harrow LB 5.232 |
| Huntingdonshire | Mid Bedfordshire 1.745 | North Wiltshire LA 2.039 | Test Valley LA 2.31 | Daventry LA 2.366 | Aylesbury Vale LA 2.39 |
| Hyndburn LA | Burnley LA 2.136 | Pendle LA 3.073 | Bolton LA 3.467 | Oldham LA 3.85 | Tameside LA 3.941 |
| Inverclyde | West Dunbartonshire 3.154 | Renfrewshire 4.034 | North Lanarkshire 4.14 | North Ayrshire 4.689 | South Lanarkshire 4.779 |
| Ipswich LA | Plymouth UA 3.615 | Gloucester LA 3.655 | Derby UA 3.66 | Gosport LA 4.06 | Calderdale LA 4.113 |
| Isle of Anglesey UA | Kerrier LA 3.804 | Pembrokeshire UA 3.818 | Gwynedd UA 4.375 | Denbighshire UA 4.381 | Allerdale LA 4.524 |
| Isle of Wight UA | Conwy UA 2.669 | Carrick LA 2.817 | Scarborough LA 2.821 | Torbay UA 3.254 | Restormel LA 3.406 |
| Isles of Scilly LA | Argyll & Bute 15.403 | South Hams LA 16.191 | South Lakeland LA 16.272 | Eden LA 16.353 | North Cornwall LA 16.636 |
| Islington LB | Camden LB 6.027 | Lambeth LB 6.394 | Hammersmith and Fulham LB 6.536 | Southwark LB 7.24 | Haringey LB 7.445 |
| Kennet LA | Salisbury LA 2.249 | West Oxfordshire 2.455 | North Wiltshire LA 2.585 | Test Valley LA 2.712 | Melton LA 2.742 |
| Kensington and Chelsea LB | Westminster LB 6.219 | Hammersmith and Fulham LB 6.889 | Camden LB 7.224 | Wandsworth LB 9.897 | Islington LB 9.985 |
| Kerrier LA | Restormel LA 2.108 | Caradon LA 3.061 | Carrick LA 3.183 | Denbighshire UA 3.344 | Waveney LA 3.354 |
| Kettering LA | Rugby LA 2.056 | West Wiltshire LA 2.311 | St. Edmundsbury LA 2.484 | East Northamptonshire 2.573 | Braintree LA 2.676 |
| King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA | Boston LA 3.033 | Breckland LA 3.255 | Sedgemoor LA 3.283 | Fenland LA 3.309 | Purbeck LA 3.506 |
| Kingston upon Hull, City of UA | Middlesbrough UA 5.195 | Hartlepool UA 5.648 | Liverpool LA 5.8 | North East Lincolnshire UA 5.961 | Sandwell LA 6.249 |
| Kingston upon Thames LB | Reading UA 4.636 | Merton LB 4.698 | Richmond upon Thames LB 5.079 | Watford LA 5.306 | Sutton LB 5.49 |
| Kirklees LA | Calderdale LA 3.013 | Bolton LA 3.104 | Preston LA 3.546 | Derby UA 3.968 | Leeds LA 4.045 |

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| Knowsley LA | Middlesborough UA 5.285 | Hartlepool UA 6.058 | Liverpool LA 6.107 | Halton UA 6.171 | Kingston upon Hull, City of UA 6.425 |
| Lambeth LB | Southwark LB 5.819 | Haringey LB 5.956 | Islington LB 6.394 | Lewisham LB 6.619 | Hammersmith and Fulham LB 7.026 |
| Lancaster LA | Canterbury LA 3.468 | Plymouth UA 4.432 | Lincoln LA 4.548 | York UA 4.774 | Exeter LA 4.884 |
| Larne | Ballymena 3.223 | Ards 3.379 | Newtownabbey 3.488 | Carrickfergus 3.948 | Craigavon 4.153 |
| Leeds LA | Preston LA 3.215 | Derby UA 3.741 | Sheffield LA 4.028 | Kirklees LA 4.045 | Plymouth UA 4.117 |
| Leicester UA | Birmingham LA 6.034 | Luton UA 6.653 | Blackburn with Darwen UA 6.925 | Bradford LA 7.143 | Coventry LA 7.24 |
| Lewes LA | Chichester LA 2.845 | New Forest LA 2.887 | Adur LA 3.1 | Arun LA 3.215 | Poole UA 3.25 |
| Lewisham LB | Waltham Forest LB 5.438 | Haringey LB 5.472 | Greenwich LB 5.73 | Southwark LB 5.835 | Lambeth LB 6.619 |
| Lichfield LA | South Staffordshire LA 1.776 | Bromsgrove LA 2.096 | Stafford LA 2.567 | Congleton LA 2.601 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 2.664 |
| Limavady | Newry and Mourne 3.831 | Omagh 3.923 | Armagh 4.33 | Magherafelt 4.547 | Dungannon 4.586 |
| Lincoln LA | Plymouth UA 3.498 | Sheffield LA 3.833 | Ipswich LA 4.126 | Derby UA 4.207 | Salford LA 4.419 |
| Lisburn | Antrim 3.144 | Carrickfergus 3.638 | Newtownabbey 3.692 | Down 3.725 | Craigavon 4.019 |
| Liverpool LA | Kingston upon Hull, City of UA 5.8 | Knowsley LA 6.107 | Middlesborough UA 6.668 | Manchester LA 7.309 | Belfast 7.359 |
| Luton UA | Slough UA 5.197 | Hillingdon LB 5.489 | Enfield LB 5.565 | Coventry LA 5.786 | Redbridge LB 6.013 |
| Macclesfield LA | Brentwood LA 2.707 | Stratford-upon-Avon LA 2.707 | Mole Valley LA 2.83 | Sevenoaks LA 2.921 | Waverley LA 2.964 |
| Magherafelt | Dungannon 2.97 | Cookstown 3.023 | Armagh 3.056 | Omagh 4.023 | Ballymoney 4.039 |
| Maidstone LA | Chelmsford LA 2.123 | Rugby LA 2.291 | Tonbridge and Malling LA 2.371 | South Bedfordshire LA 2.534 | Braintree LA 2.534 |
| Maldon LA | Wychavon LA 2.508 | Mid Suffolk LA 2.527 | Ashford LA 2.876 | Braintree LA 2.991 | Stroud LA 3.002 |
| Malvern Hills LA | Derbyshire Dales 2.677 | Wealden LA 2.813 | Suffolk Coastal LA 2.999 | New Forest LA 3.009 | Monmouthshire UA 3.054 |
| Manchester LA | Nottingham UA 3.658 | Newcastle upon Tyne LA 5.976 | Greenwich LB 7.18 | Liverpool LA 7.309 | Birmingham LA 7.412 |
| Mansfield LA | Doncaster LA 1.719 | Barnsley LA 1.801 | Rotherham LA 2.109 | Ashfield LA 2.141 | Bolsover LA 2.376 |
| Medway UA | Gravesham LA 2.988 | Dartford LA 3.042 | Swale LA 3.068 | Thurrock UA 3.097 | Gloucester LA 3.463 |
| Melton LA | Selby LA 2.411 | Mid Suffolk LA 2.526 | Stroud LA 2.535 | South Kesteven LA 2.539 | West Wiltshire LA 2.543 |
| Mendip LA | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 2.323 | West Wiltshire LA 2.605 | South Somerset LA 2.609 | Babergh LA 2.694 | Oswestry LA 2.706 |
| Merthyr Tydfil UA | Blaenau Gwent UA 2.455 | Rhondda, Cynon, Taff UA 3.142 | Easington LA 3.204 | Caerphilly UA 3.83 | Neath Port Talbot UA 4.204 |
| Merton LB | Kingston upon Thames LB 4.698 | Reading UA 5.548 | Croydon LB 5.657 | Barnet LB 5.779 | Ealing LB 5.998 |
| Mid Bedfordshire LA | Huntingdonshire 1.745 | North Wiltshire LA 1.908 | Aylesbury Vale LA 1.936 | East Hertfordshire 2.068 | Test Valley LA 2.089 |

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| Mid Devon LA | Herefordshire, County of UA 2.149 | West Devon LA 2.699 | North Shropshire LA 2.771 | South Somerset LA 2.913 | Ryedale LA 3.074 |
| Mid Suffolk LA | South Norfolk LA 2.28 | Wychavon LA 2.335 | Melton LA 2.526 | Maldon LA 2.527 | Babergh LA 2.595 |
| Mid Sussex LA | East Hampshire LA 2.052 | Tandridge LA 2.069 | Horsham LA 2.074 | Uttlesford LA 2.333 | Reigate and Banstead LA 2.48 |
| Middlesborough UA | Hartlepool UA 3.59 | Sunderland LA 4.497 | South Tyneside LA 4.594 | Redcar and Cleveland UA 5.007 | Kingston upon Hull, City of UA 5.195 |
| Midlothian | East Lothian 3.029 | West Lothian 3.556 | Falkirk 3.79 | Basildon LA 3.812 | Wellington LA 3.982 |
| Milton Keynes UA | Bracknell Forest UA 4.192 | Rushmoor LA 4.421 | Crawley LA 4.447 | Basingstoke and Deane LA 4.528 | Cherwell LA 4.621 |
| Mole Valley LA | Waverley LA 1.842 | Tandridge LA 2.559 | Macclesfield LA 2.83 | Brentwood LA 2.968 | Mid Sussex LA 3.193 |
| Monmouthshire UA | Stroud LA 2.463 | Babergh LA 2.512 | Forest of Dean LA 2.736 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.78 | Tynedale LA 2.869 |
| Moray | Angus 3.111 | Scottish Borders 3.809 | Aberdeenshire 3.904 | Highland 3.987 | Perth & Kinross 4.02 |
| Moyle | Fermanagh 4.144 | Coleraine 5.322 | Omagh 5.787 | Dungannon 5.903 | Newry and Mourne 5.944 |
| Neath Port Talbot UA | Barnsley LA 3.558 | Bridgend UA 3.689 | Bolsover LA 3.732 | Caerphilly UA 3.896 | Torfaen UA 3.924 |
| New Forest LA | Suffolk Coastal LA 2.387 | Wealden LA 2.443 | Lewes LA 2.887 | East Dorset LA 2.915 | South Norfolk LA 2.919 |
| Newark and Sherwood LA | Amber Valley LA 2.278 | Bassetlaw LA 2.379 | Forest of Dean LA 2.394 | North Lincolnshire 2.486 | Wyre Forest LA 2.586 |
| Newcastle-under-Lyme LA | Wrexham UA 2.653 | Amber Valley LA 3.245 | Newark and Sherwood LA 3.359 | Wyre Forest LA 3.48 | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 3.482 |
| Newcastle upon Tyne LA | Sheffield LA 3.983 | Nottingham UA 4.608 | Salford LA 4.733 | Lincoln LA 5.418 | Norwich LA 5.502 |
| Newham LB | Brent LB 9.342 | Hackney LB 9.776 | Waltham Forest LB 10.449 | Tower Hamlets LB 10.661 | Haringey LB 11.285 |
| Newport UA | Stockton-on-Tees 3.151 | Rochdale LA 3.237 | Doncaster LA 3.461 | Bridgend UA 3.513 | Rotherham LA 3.518 |
| Newry and Mourne | Omagh 2.425 | Dungannon 3.084 | Cookstown 3.491 | Armagh 3.751 | Limavady 3.831 |
| Newtownabbey | Carrickfergus 2.162 | Ards 3.228 | Larne 3.488 | Telford and Wrekin 3.569 | Castlereagh 3.679 |
| North Ayrshire | East Ayrshire 2.428 | Clackmannanshire 3.704 | Fife 3.811 | North Lanarkshire 3.957 | South Lanarkshire 3.974 |
| North Cornwall LA | Torrige LA 3.161 | North Devon LA 3.31 | Caradon LA 3.884 | Restormel LA 4.019 | South Shropshire 4.021 |
| North Devon LA | Caradon LA 2.815 | North Cornwall LA 3.31 | Restormel LA 3.365 | Torrige LA 3.371 | Herefordshire, County of UA 3.498 |
| North Dorset LA | South Somerset LA 3.441 | Herefordshire, County of UA 3.678 | Mendip LA 3.811 | Taunton Deane LA 3.825 | Breckland LA 3.963 |
| North Down | Castlereagh 3.557 | Vale of Glamorgan, The UA 3.879 | Stafford LA 4.159 | Gedling LA 4.358 | Monmouthshire UA 4.435 |
| North East Derbyshire LA | Newark and Sherwood LA 3.134 | Bassetlaw LA 3.256 | Amber Valley LA 3.261 | Wyre Forest LA 3.693 | Staffordshire Moorlands LA 3.747 |
| North East Lincolnshire UA | Copeland LA 3.855 | Doncaster LA 3.907 | Hartlepool UA 4.06 | Redcar and Cleveland UA 4.177 | Stockton-on-Tees UA 4.192 |
| North Hertfordshire LA | Dacorum LA 1.888 | Chelmsford LA 2.787 | Reigate and Banstead LA 2.819 | Three Rivers LA 2.928 | Maidstone LA 3.085 |

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| North Kesteven LA | Broadland LA 2.818 | South Kesteven LA 2.856 | Mid Suffolk LA 2.906 | South Norfolk LA 3.081 | Breckland LA 3.199 |
| North Lanarkshire | South Lanarkshire 3.274 | West Dunbartonshire 3.731 | North Ayrshire 3.957 | Clackmannanshire 4.033 | East Ayrshire 4.086 |
| North Lincolnshire UA | Bassetlaw LA 2.121 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.486 | Amber Valley LA 3.14 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 3.156 | Ashfield LA 3.157 |
| North Norfolk LA | East Devon LA 3.19 | West Dorset LA 3.603 | West Somerset LA 3.695 | King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA 3.905 | East Lindsey LA 3.971 |
| North Shropshire LA | Herefordshire, County of UA 2.215 | Mid Devon LA 2.771 | West Lindsey LA 2.815 | Forest of Dean LA 2.972 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.976 |
| North Somerset UA | Stroud LA 2.68 | Tewkesbury LA 2.752 | Poole UA 2.756 | Babergh LA 2.853 | New Forest LA 2.972 |
| North Tyneside LA | Darlington UA 2.972 | Gateshead LA 3.07 | Chesterfield LA 3.243 | Blyth Valley LA 3.597 | Sefton LA 3.78 |
| North Warwickshire LA | North West Leicestershire LA 2.095 | Wyre Forest LA 2.344 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 2.373 | Chorley LA 2.398 | Flintshire UA 2.679 |
| North West Leicestershire LA | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 1.782 | North Warwickshire LA 2.095 | South Derbyshire LA 2.287 | Wyre Forest LA 2.407 | Amber Valley LA 2.494 |
| North Wiltshire LA | Test Valley LA 1.527 | Mid Bedfordshire 1.908 | Huntingdonshire 2.039 | West Oxfordshire 2.12 | Daventry LA 2.314 |
| Northampton LA | Dartford LA 2.982 | Swindon UA 2.985 | Peterborough UA 3.088 | Worcester LA 3.291 | Gloucester LA 3.418 |
| Norwich LA | Lincoln LA 5.115 | Bristol, City of UA 5.372 | Newcastle upon Tyne LA 5.502 | Sheffield LA 5.794 | Southampton UA 5.928 |
| Nottingham UA | Manchester LA 3.658 | Newcastle upon Tyne LA 4.608 | Norwich LA 6.428 | Southampton UA 6.722 | Lincoln LA 6.809 |
| Nuneaton and Bedworth LA | Erewash LA 2.516 | Cannock Chase LA 2.589 | Wigan LA 2.71 | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 2.783 | Flintshire UA 2.994 |
| Oadby and Wigston LA | Charnwood LA 3.719 | Broxtowe LA 4.622 | Rugby LA 4.71 | Bedford LA 4.761 | Blaby LA 4.956 |
| Oldham LA | Rochdale LA 1.243 | Bolton LA 2.642 | Tameside LA 3.402 | Walsall LA 3.655 | Burnley LA 3.784 |
| Omagh | Newry and Mourne 2.425 | Dungannon 2.869 | Armagh 3.115 | Cookstown 3.357 | Fermanagh 3.527 |
| Orkney Islands | Eden LA 5.639 | Powys UA 5.666 | Scottish Borders 5.952 | Dumfries & Galloway 5.978 | Highland 6.083 |
| Oswestry LA | Sedgemoor LA 2.607 | Herefordshire, County of UA 2.653 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.656 | Mendip LA 2.706 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 2.81 |
| Oxford LA | Cambridge LA 2.903 | Southampton UA 7.54 | Reading UA 8.672 | Exeter LA 9.132 | Edinburgh, City of 9.501 |
| Pembrokeshire UA | Kerrier LA 3.593 | Isle of Anglesey UA 3.818 | North Cornwall LA 4.027 | Carmarthenshire 4.219 | North Devon LA 4.463 |
| Pendle LA | Hyndburn LA 3.073 | Burnley LA 3.412 | Kirklees LA 4.051 | Bolton LA 4.447 | Oldham LA 4.468 |
| Penwith LA | Scarborough LA 4.133 | Isle of Wight UA 4.407 | Carrick LA 4.52 | Kerrier LA 4.891 | North Cornwall LA 4.919 |
| Perth & Kinross | Scottish Borders 3.103 | Angus 3.334 | Taunton Deane LA 3.83 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 3.996 | Highland 4.011 |
| Peterborough UA | Northampton LA 3.088 | Wellingborough LA 3.106 | Gravesham LA 3.138 | Bury LA 3.242 | Basildon LA 3.307 |
| Plymouth UA | Lincoln LA 3.498 | Ipswich LA 3.615 | Leeds LA 4.117 | Derby UA 4.371 | Tameside LA 4.376 |
| Poole UA | North Somerset UA 2.756 | New Forest LA 3.035 | Gedling LA 3.148 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 3.24 | Lewes LA 3.25 |

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| Portsmouth UA | Bristol, City of UA 4.023 | Exeter LA 4.216 | Leeds LA 4.423 | Plymouth UA 4.749 | Lincoln LA 4.925 |
| Powys UA | South Shropshire LA 2.785 | West Devon LA 3.329 | Ryedale LA 3.347 | Herefordshire, County of UA 3.359 | Mid Devon LA 3.558 |
| Preston LA | Coventry LA 2.79 | Derby UA 2.943 | Leeds LA 3.215 | Bolton LA 3.448 | Kirklees LA 3.546 |
| Purbeck LA | Suffolk Coastal LA 2.367 | West Dorset LA 2.963 | New Forest LA 3.009 | Teignbridge LA 3.091 | South Lakeland LA 3.097 |
| Reading UA | Kingston upon Thames LB 4.636 | Watford LA 4.855 | Bristol, City of UA 5.169 | Merton LB 5.548 | Sutton LB 6.053 |
| Redbridge LB | Harrow LB 4.227 | Hounslow LB 4.899 | Enfield LB 5.47 | Barnet LB 5.537 | Slough UA 5.618 |
| Redcar and Cleveland UA | Hartlepool UA 2.665 | Doncaster LA 2.674 | Copeland LA 3.069 | Mansfield LA 3.114 | Barnsley LA 3.244 |
| Redditch LA | Tamworth LA 2.746 | Wellingborough LA 3.392 | Warrington UA 3.48 | Telford and Wrekin 3.522 | South Bedfordshire 3.624 |
| Reigate and Banstead LA | Tandridge LA 2.381 | Mid Sussex LA 2.48 | Epsom and Ewell 2.524 | Three Rivers LA 2.63 | South Oxfordshire 2.652 |
| Renfrewshire | South Lanarkshire 2.411 | Falkirk 3.023 | Fife 3.859 | Inverclyde 4.034 | Clackmannanshire 4.125 |
| Restormel LA | Kerrier LA 2.108 | Carrick LA 3.204 | Caradon LA 3.26 | North Devon LA 3.365 | Isle of Wight UA 3.406 |
| Rhondda, Cynon, Taff UA | Caerphilly UA 2.55 | Merthyr Tydfil UA 3.142 | Torfaen UA 3.202 | Bridgend UA 3.786 | Blaenau Gwent UA 3.824 |
| Ribble Valley LA | Hambleton LA 3.000 | Babergh LA 3.052 | Stroud LA 3.131 | Tewkesbury LA 3.132 | Harrogate LA 3.292 |
| Richmond upon Thames LB | Kingston upon Thames LB 5.079 | Merton LB 6.576 | St. Albans LA 6.878 | Elmbridge LA 7.041 | Windsor and Maidenhead UA 7.197 |
| Richmondshire LA | Kennet LA 3.872 | Salisbury LA 4.532 | Hambleton LA 4.625 | St. Edmundsbury 4.89 | Melton LA 4.921 |
| Rochdale LA | Oldham LA 1.243 | Bolton LA 2.293 | Tameside LA 3.171 | Newport UA 3.237 | Walsall LA 3.415 |
| Rochford LA | Castle Point LA 2.677 | Maldon LA 3.023 | Tewkesbury LA 3.033 | Babergh LA 3.114 | Stroud LA 3.134 |
| Rossendale LA | Bury LA 2.675 | Tameside LA 3.324 | Bolton LA 3.336 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 3.455 | Wigan LA 3.597 |
| Rother LA | East Devon LA 2.921 | Christchurch LA 3.025 | Arun LA 3.106 | Tendring LA 3.702 | West Dorset LA 4.301 |
| Rotherham LA | Doncaster LA 1.885 | Wakefield LA 2.045 | Mansfield LA 2.109 | Barnsley LA 2.507 | Ashfield LA 2.797 |
| Rugby LA | Kettering LA 2.056 | Maidstone LA 2.291 | West Wiltshire LA 2.345 | High Peak LA 2.403 | St. Edmundsbury 2.576 |
| Runnymede LA | Guildford LA 3.066 | Warwick LA 3.493 | Winchester LA 4.233 | Reigate and Banstead LA 4.412 | Welwyn Hatfield LA 4.61 |
| Rushcliffe LA | Reigate and Banstead LA 3.16 | Vale of White Horse LA 3.185 | Mid Sussex LA 3.208 | South Cambridgeshire LA 3.22 | South Oxfordshire LA 3.253 |
| Rushmoor LA | Cherwell LA 3.661 | Basingstoke and Deane LA 4.002 | Swindon UA 4.066 | Bracknell Forest UA 4.134 | Watford LA 4.227 |
| Rutland UA | Harrogate LA 3.309 | Kennet LA 3.377 | East Hampshire LA 3.38 | Hambleton LA 3.477 | Congleton LA 3.571 |
| Ryedale LA | Eden LA 2.528 | South Shropshire LA 2.697 | West Devon LA 2.816 | Mid Devon LA 3.074 | Herefordshire, County of UA 3.159 |
| Salford LA | Gateshead LA 3.52 | Sheffield LA 3.959 | North Tyneside LA 4.09 | Tameside LA 4.153 | Stoke-on-Trent UA 4.181 |
| Salisbury LA | Kennet LA 2.249 | Harrogate LA 2.275 | West Wiltshire LA 2.474 | St. Edmundsbury 2.716 | Tewkesbury LA 2.773 |
| Sandwell LA | Wolverhampton LA 2.574 | Walsall LA 3.553 | Rochdale LA 5.229 | Oldham LA 5.242 | Stoke-on-Trent UA 5.379 |

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| Scarborough LA | Isle of Wight UA 2.821 | Torbay UA 3.698 | Carrick LA 3.872 | Conwy UA 3.901 | North Devon LA 3.997 |
| Scottish Borders | Angus 3.062 | Perth & Kinross 3.103 | Dumfries & Galloway 3.773 | Moray 3.809 | Alnwick LA 4.18 |
| Sedgefield LA | Derwentside LA 1.892 | Wansbeck LA 2.648 | Wear Valley LA 2.735 | Torfaen UA 3.024 | Barnsley LA 3.084 |
| Sedgemoor LA | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 1.964 | South Somerset LA 2.112 | Forest of Dean LA 2.456 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.592 | Oswestry LA 2.607 |
| Sefton LA | Wirral LA 1.865 | Darlington UA 3.5 | North Tyneside LA 3.78 | Dover LA 3.797 | St. Helens LA 3.909 |
| Selby LA | South Kesteven LA 2.377 | Melton LA 2.411 | South Derbyshire LA 2.521 | Ashford LA 2.622 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 2.769 |
| Sevenoaks LA | Brentwood LA 2.356 | Tandridge LA 2.483 | East Hampshire LA 2.64 | Mid Sussex LA 2.655 | Uttlesford LA 2.796 |
| Sheffield LA | Derby UA 3.47 | Lincoln LA 3.833 | Salford LA 3.959 | Newcastle upon Tyne LA 3.983 | Leeds LA 4.028 |
| Shepway LA | Dover LA 2.341 | Weymouth and Portland LA 2.684 | Denbighshire UA 3.164 | Thanet LA 3.564 | Conwy UA 3.569 |
| Shetland Islands | Aberdeenshire 4.803 | Moray 5.515 | Highland 5.676 | Orkney Islands 6.13 | Perth & Kinross 6.316 |
| Shrewsbury and Atcham LA | Taunton Deane LA 2.068 | Mendip LA 2.323 | South Somerset LA 2.517 | Stroud LA 2.521 | West Wiltshire LA 2.528 |
| Slough UA | Hounslow LB 4.677 | Luton UA 5.197 | Redbridge LB 5.618 | Hillingdon LB 6.152 | Harrow LB 6.465 |
| Solihull LA | Warrington UA 2.961 | Stockport LA 3.041 | Vale Royal LA 3.095 | Rugby LA 3.281 | Lichfield LA 3.34 |
| South Ayrshire | Angus 3.271 | Fife 3.298 | Dover LA 4.057 | South Lanarkshire 4.072 | Darlington UA 4.075 |
| South Bedfordshire LA | Tonbridge and Malling LA 2.342 | Maidstone LA 2.534 | Braintree LA 2.721 | Dacorum LA 2.744 | Chelmsford LA 2.769 |
| South Bucks LA | Chiltern LA 1.804 | Waverley LA 3.07 | Mole Valley LA 3.353 | Tandridge LA 3.357 | Windsor and Maidenhead UA 3.41 |
| South Cambridgeshire LA | Vale of White Horse LA 1.858 | South Oxfordshire LA 2.217 | East Hampshire LA 2.795 | Uttlesford LA 2.811 | West Berkshire UA 2.842 |
| South Derbyshire LA | North West Leicestershire LA 2.287 | Selby LA 2.521 | Vale Royal LA 2.684 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 2.762 | Ashford LA 2.857 |
| South Gloucestershire | Eastleigh LA 1.765 | Test Valley LA 2.645 | North Wiltshire LA 2.667 | Mid Bedfordshire 2.821 | Cherwell LA 2.859 |
| South Hams LA | South Lakeland LA 2.944 | Purbeck LA 3.854 | West Dorset LA 4.311 | North Cornwall LA 4.475 | Caradon LA 4.545 |
| South Holland LA | Breckland LA 3.212 | Fenland LA 3.456 | Boston LA 3.67 | King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA 3.831 | East Lindsey LA 4.483 |
| South Kesteven LA | Ashford LA 2.171 | West Wiltshire LA 2.197 | Selby LA 2.377 | East Northamptonshire 2.514 | Melton LA 2.539 |
| South Lakeland LA | South Hams LA 2.944 | West Dorset LA 3.093 | Purbeck LA 3.097 | Craven LA 3.433 | Derbyshire Dales 4.036 |
| South Lanarkshire | Falkirk 2.382 | Renfrewshire 2.411 | Clackmannanshire 3.03 | Fife 3.149 | North Lanarkshire 3.274 |
| South Norfolk LA | Broadland LA 2.063 | Mid Suffolk LA 2.28 | Babergh LA 2.368 | Suffolk Coastal LA 2.803 | Forest of Dean LA 2.834 |
| South Northamptonshire | Harborough LA 2.128 | Daventry LA 2.152 | Mid Bedfordshire 2.396 | Test Valley LA 2.421 | Uttlesford LA 2.539 |
| South Oxfordshire LA | Vale of White Horse LA 1.734 | East Hertfordshire LA 2.168 | West Berkshire UA 2.188 | South Cambridgeshire LA 2.217 | Horsham LA 2.476 |
| South Ribble LA | Chorley LA 2.139 | Warrington UA 2.711 | North Warwickshire 2.72 | Vale Royal LA 2.816 | Flintshire UA 2.853 |

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| South Shropshire LA | West Devon LA 2.502 | Ryedale LA 2.697 | Powys UA 2.785 | Eden LA 3.662 | Torridge LA 3.847 |
| South Somerset LA | Sedgemoor LA 2.112 | Taunton Deane LA 2.447 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 2.517 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.555 | Mendip LA 2.609 |
| South Staffordshire LA | Lichfield LA 1.776 | Bromsgrove LA 2.509 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 3.116 | Stafford LA 3.341 | Selby LA 3.401 |
| South Tyneside LA | Sunderland LA 3.419 | Hartlepool UA 3.906 | Gateshead LA 3.976 | North Ayrshire 4.309 | Middlesborough 4.594 |
| Southampton UA | Exeter LA 4.569 | Bristol, City of UA 4.69 | Portsmouth UA 5.101 | Cardiff UA 5.371 | Leeds LA 5.921 |
| Southend-on-Sea UA | Hastings LA 3.839 | Shepway LA 4.126 | Worthing LA 4.645 | Thanet LA 4.792 | Weymouth and Portland LA 4.889 |
| Southwark LB | Lambeth LB 5.819 | Lewisham LB 5.835 | Hackney LB 5.918 | Haringey LB 7.167 | Islington LB 7.24 |
| Spelthorne LA | Reigate and Banstead LA 2.806 | North Hertfordshire LA 3.242 | Chelmsford LA 3.243 | Epping Forest LA 3.345 | Maidstone LA 3.404 |
| St. Albans LA | Woking LA 2.333 | Windsor and Maidenhead UA 2.573 | Elmbridge LA 3.03 | South Oxfordshire LA 3.48 | Reigate and Banstead LA 3.742 |
| St. Edmundsbury LA | West Wiltshire LA 1.817 | Braintree LA 2.474 | Kettering LA 2.484 | Rugby LA 2.576 | Melton LA 2.603 |
| St. Helens LA | Halton UA 2.771 | Doncaster LA 3.115 | Wigan LA 3.228 | Rotherham LA 3.255 | Redcar and Cleveland UA 3.305 |
| Stafford LA | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 2.549 | Lichfield LA 2.567 | Stroud LA 2.61 | Broxtowe LA 2.64 | Congleton LA 2.669 |
| Staffordshire Moorlands LA | Forest of Dean LA 3.004 | North Warwickshire LA 3.025 | Wyre Forest LA 3.103 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 3.164 | Amber Valley LA 3.288 |
| Stevenage LA | Harlow LA 2.461 | Crawley LA 3.52 | Basildon LA 3.707 | Dartford LA 3.865 | Northampton LA 3.947 |
| Stirling | Colchester LA 3.766 | Canterbury LA 4.329 | Perth & Kinross 4.356 | York UA 4.387 | Chester LA 4.395 |
| Stockport LA | Trafford LA 2.104 | Rugby LA 2.938 | Bury LA 2.978 | Broxtowe LA 3.035 | Gedling LA 3.035 |
| Stockton-on-Tees UA | Newport UA 3.151 | Blyth Valley LA 3.172 | Doncaster LA 3.275 | Rotherham LA 3.428 | Copeland LA 3.492 |
| Stoke-on-Trent UA | Sunderland LA 3.714 | Barnsley LA 3.849 | Wakefield LA 3.966 | Mansfield LA 3.972 | Gateshead LA 4.023 |
| Strabane | Newry and Mourne 4.34 | Limavady 5.041 | Omagh 5.254 | Cookstown 5.42 | Dungannon 5.69 |
| Stratford-upon-Avon LA | Wychavon LA 2.336 | Macclesfield LA 2.707 | Tewkesbury LA 2.803 | Cotswold LA 2.856 | Congleton LA 2.933 |
| Stroud LA | Babergh LA 1.754 | Tewkesbury LA 1.985 | Monmouthshire UA 2.463 | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 2.521 | Melton LA 2.535 |
| Suffolk Coastal LA | Purbeck LA 2.367 | New Forest LA 2.387 | Babergh LA 2.609 | Derbyshire Dales 2.781 | South Norfolk LA 2.803 |
| Sunderland LA | Gateshead LA 2.865 | Hartlepool UA 3.186 | Redcar and Cleveland UA 3.338 | South Tyneside LA 3.419 | Wansbeck LA 3.439 |
| Surrey Heath LA | Hart LA 1.626 | Wokingham UA 2.58 | South Oxfordshire 3.219 | West Berkshire UA 3.228 | Chiltern LA 3.456 |
| Sutton LB | Watford LA 3.015 | Bromley LB 3.393 | Bexley LB 4.064 | Trafford LA 4.267 | Hillingdon LB 4.298 |
| Swale LA | Gravesham LA 2.851 | East Staffordshire LA 2.93 | Medway UA 3.068 | Crewe and Nantwich LA 3.171 | Wellingborough LA 3.222 |
| Swansea UA | Bridgend UA 3.55 | Newcastle-under-Lyme LA 4.133 | Neath Port Talbot UA 4.235 | Newport UA 4.237 | Wirral LA 4.293 |
| Swindon UA | Dartford LA 2.502 | Northampton LA 2.985 | Kettering LA 3.049 | Cherwell LA 3.432 | Worcester LA 3.552 |

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| Tamworth LA | Redditch LA 2.746 | Telford and Wrekin UA 2.937 | Cannock Chase LA 3.288 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 3.815 | Thurrock UA 3.952 |
| Tandridge LA | Mid Sussex LA 2.069 | Horsham LA 2.083 | Uttlesford LA 2.297 | Reigate and Banstead LA 2.381 | East Hampshire LA 2.401 |
| Taunton Deane LA | Shrewsbury and Atcham LA 2.068 | South Somerset LA 2.447 | Mendip LA 2.833 | Sedgemoor LA 2.962 | Oswestry LA 3.037 |
| Teesdale LA | Alnwick LA 3.325 | Tynedale LA 3.83 | Powys UA 3.926 | North Devon LA 4.053 | King's Lynn and West Norfolk LA 4.142 |
| Teignbridge LA | Sedgemoor LA 2.884 | Carrick LA 3.085 | Purbeck LA 3.091 | Caradon LA 3.103 | South Somerset LA 3.167 |
| Telford and Wrekin UA | Tamworth LA 2.937 | Wellingborough LA 3.268 | Carrickfergus 3.451 | Thurrock UA 3.475 | Redditch LA 3.522 |
| Tendring LA | Arun LA 3.52 | Rother LA 3.702 | Christchurch LA 3.878 | Conwy UA 4.163 | North Norfolk LA 4.207 |
| Test Valley LA | North Wiltshire LA 1.527 | West Oxfordshire 1.649 | Mid Bedfordshire 2.089 | East Hampshire LA 2.14 | Eastleigh LA 2.192 |
| Tewkesbury LA | Stroud LA 1.985 | Wychavon LA 2.314 | Babergh LA 2.371 | Congleton LA 2.484 | West Wiltshire LA 2.608 |
| Thanet LA | Shepway LA 3.564 | Torbay UA 3.618 | Conwy UA 3.709 | Great Yarmouth LA 3.869 | Hastings LA 3.881 |
| Three Rivers LA | Reigate and Banstead LA 2.63 | Tandridge LA 2.671 | Hertsmere LA 2.7 | Epsom and Ewell LA 2.833 | North Hertfordshire LA 2.928 |
| Thurrock UA | Dartford LA 2.588 | Basildon LA 3.082 | Medway UA 3.097 | Telford and Wrekin 3.475 | Gravesham LA 3.522 |
| Tonbridge and Malling LA | South Bedfordshire 2.342 | Maidstone LA 2.371 | Braintree LA 2.42 | Test Valley LA 2.435 | Eastleigh LA 2.551 |
| Torbay UA | Isle of Wight UA 3.254 | Conwy UA 3.529 | Thanet LA 3.618 | Scarborough LA 3.698 | Shepway LA 3.848 |
| Torfaen UA | Caerphilly UA 2.214 | Bridgend UA 2.7 | Sedgefield LA 3.024 | Rhondda, Cynon, Taff UA 3.202 | Derwentside LA 3.365 |
| Torridge LA | North Cornwall LA 3.161 | North Devon LA 3.371 | Powys UA 3.697 | Restormel LA 3.783 | Kerrier LA 3.821 |
| Tower Hamlets LB | Newham LB 10.661 | Hackney LB 10.852 | Brent LB 12.358 | Islington LB 13.013 | Southwark LB 13.083 |
| Trafford LA | Stockport LA 2.104 | Bury LA 3.494 | Bromley LB 3.554 | Chester LA 3.606 | Bexley LB 3.718 |
| Tunbridge Wells LA | Harrogate LA 2.646 | Reigate and Banstead LA 3.031 | North Hertfordshire LA 3.094 | Salisbury LA 3.098 | Mid Sussex LA 3.145 |
| Tynedale LA | Monmouthshire UA 2.869 | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.918 | Derbyshire Dales LA 2.957 | Herefordshire, County of UA 3.128 | Hambleton LA 3.146 |
| Uttlesford LA | East Hampshire LA 1.336 | Horsham LA 2.051 | Tandridge LA 2.297 | Mid Sussex LA 2.333 | Harborough LA 2.491 |
| Vale of Glamorgan, The UA | West Lancashire LA 2.913 | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 3.17 | Bury LA 3.281 | Warrington UA 3.444 | High Peak LA 3.516 |
| Vale of White Horse LA | South Oxfordshire LA 1.734 | South Cambridgeshire LA 1.858 | West Berkshire UA 2.065 | East Hampshire LA 2.263 | Test Valley LA 2.313 |
| Vale Royal LA | Warrington UA 2.28 | Chorley LA 2.39 | Crewe and Nantwich LA 2.684 | South Derbyshire LA 2.684 | South Ribble LA 2.816 |
| Wakefield LA | Rotherham LA 2.045 | Doncaster LA 2.122 | Ashfield LA 2.43 | Wigan LA 2.447 | Mansfield LA 2.501 |
| Walsall LA | Rochdale LA 3.415 | Wolverhampton LA 3.426 | Bolton LA 3.535 | Sandwell LA 3.553 | Oldham LA 3.655 |
| Waltham Forest LB | Greenwich LB 4.679 | Enfield LB 5.26 | Croydon LB 5.334 | Lewisham LB 5.438 | Ealing LB 6.097 |

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| Wandsworth LB | Hammersmith and Fulham LB 5.214 | Lambeth LB 8.755 | Merton LB 9.072 | Camden LB 9.231 | Westminster LB 9.365 |
| Wansbeck LA | Derwentside LA 2.353 | Wear Valley LA 2.571 | Sedgefield LA 2.648 | Barnsley LA 3.311 | Sunderland LA 3.439 |
| Warrington UA | Chorley LA 2.052 | Vale Royal LA 2.28 | South Ribble LA 2.711 | Rugby LA 2.735 | Solihull LA 2.961 |
| Warwick LA | Guildford LA 3.185 | Chester LA 3.298 | Bath and North East Somerset UA 3.451 | Runnymede LA 3.493 | North Hertfordshire LA 3.629 |
| Watford LA | Sutton LB 3.015 | Hillingdon LB 3.994 | Rushmoor LA 4.227 | Bedford LA 4.544 | Crawley LA 4.556 |
| Waveney LA | Great Yarmouth LA 2.836 | Kerrier LA 3.354 | Dover LA 3.441 | Conwy UA 3.652 | Shepway LA 3.675 |
| Waverley LA | Mole Valley LA 1.842 | Tandridge LA 2.568 | Mid Sussex LA 2.834 | Winchester LA 2.875 | Chiltern LA 2.945 |
| Wealden LA | New Forest LA 2.443 | Malvern Hills LA 2.813 | Suffolk Coastal LA 3.143 | Babergh LA 3.217 | South Norfolk LA 3.229 |
| Wear Valley LA | Derwentside LA 2.279 | Wansbeck LA 2.571 | Sedgefield LA 2.735 | Barnsley LA 3.504 | Redcar and Cleveland UA 3.739 |
| Wellingborough LA | Kettering LA 2.753 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 3.02 | Erewash LA 3.102 | Peterborough UA 3.106 | Gravesham LA 3.178 |
| Welwyn Hatfield LA | North Hertfordshire LA 3.929 | Colchester LA 3.947 | Warwick LA 3.976 | Dacorum LA 4.047 | Bath and North East Somerset UA 4.074 |
| West Berkshire UA | East Hertfordshire LA 2.047 | Vale of White Horse LA 2.065 | South Oxfordshire LA 2.188 | Basingstoke and Deane LA 2.27 | Mid Bedfordshire LA 2.307 |
| West Devon LA | South Shropshire LA 2.502 | Mid Devon LA 2.699 | Ryedale LA 2.816 | Herefordshire, County of UA 2.842 | Caradon LA 2.849 |
| West Dorset LA | East Devon LA 2.257 | Purbeck LA 2.963 | South Lakeland LA 3.093 | Chichester LA 3.234 | Teignbridge LA 3.585 |
| West Dunbartonshire | Inverclyde 3.154 | North Lanarkshire 3.731 | North Ayrshire 4.444 | Renfrewshire 4.868 | East Ayrshire 4.975 |
| West Lancashire LA | Vale of Glamorgan, The UA 2.913 | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 2.948 | Flintshire UA 2.964 | Newark and Sherwood LA 3.182 | Chorley LA 3.241 |
| West Lindsey LA | East Riding of Yorkshire UA 2.273 | Forest of Dean LA 2.385 | North Shropshire LA 2.815 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.822 | Sedgemoor LA 2.984 |
| West Lothian | Midlothian 3.556 | Telford and Wrekin 3.809 | Thurrock UA 3.887 | Harlow LA 3.929 | Wellingborough LA 4.114 |
| West Oxfordshire LA | Test Valley LA 1.649 | North Wiltshire LA 2.12 | East Hampshire LA 2.44 | Vale of White Horse LA 2.449 | Kennet LA 2.455 |
| West Somerset LA | East Devon LA 3.679 | North Norfolk LA 3.695 | Rother LA 4.333 | West Dorset LA 4.359 | Tendring LA 4.9 |
| West Wiltshire LA | St. Edmundsbury 1.817 | Ashford LA 2.049 | South Kesteven LA 2.197 | Braintree LA 2.254 | Kettering LA 2.311 |
| Westminster LB | Camden LB 6.205 | Kensington and Chelsea LB 6.219 | Hammersmith and Fulham LB 7.56 | Wandsworth LB 9.365 | Islington LB 9.548 |
| Weymouth and Portland LA | Dover LA 2.614 | Shepway LA 2.684 | Carlisle LA 3.299 | Taunton Deane LA 3.414 | Sedgemoor LA 3.587 |
| Wigan LA | Wakefield LA 2.447 | Nuneaton and Bedworth LA 2.71 | Blyth Valley LA 2.889 | Chester-le-Street LA 2.939 | Rotherham LA 2.989 |
| Winchester LA | Waverley LA 2.875 | Guildford LA 3.235 | Horsham LA 3.516 | Harrogate LA 3.585 | Rushcliffe LA 3.661 |
| Windsor and Maidenhead UA | Woking LA 2.368 | St. Albans LA 2.573 | Elmbridge LA 3.181 | South Oxfordshire 3.329 | Wycombe LA 3.386 |
| Wirral LA | Sefton LA 1.865 | Darlington UA 3.631 | St. Helens LA 3.658 | North Tyneside LA 3.961 | Swansea UA 4.293 |

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| Woking LA | St. Albans LA 2.333 | Windsor and Maidenhead UA 2.368 | Wycombe LA 2.792 | Reigate and Banstead LA 2.883 | South Oxfordshire LA 3.143 |
| Wokingham UA | Hart LA 2.188 | Surrey Heath LA 2.58 | West Berkshire UA 4.098 | South Oxfordshire 4.361 | East Hertfordshire 4.372 |
| Wolverhampton LA | Sandwell LA 2.574 | Walsall LA 3.426 | Derby UA 4.225 | Rochdale LA 4.957 | Stoke-on-Trent UA 5.186 |
| Worcester LA | Northampton LA 3.291 | Gloucester LA 3.3 | Colchester LA 3.359 | Kettering LA 3.43 | Swindon UA 3.552 |
| Worthing LA | Eastbourne LA 3.919 | Arun LA 4.201 | Adur LA 4.211 | Lewes LA 4.328 | Fylde LA 4.505 |
| Wrexham UA | Newcastle-under-Lyme LA 2.653 | Wakefield LA 3.092 | Ellesmere Port and Neston LA 3.224 | Flintshire UA 3.229 | Wigan LA 3.319 |
| Wychavon LA | Tewkesbury LA 2.314 | Mid Suffolk LA 2.335 | Stratford-upon-Avon LA 2.336 | Babergh LA 2.362 | Congleton LA 2.457 |
| Wycombe LA | Woking LA 2.792 | Three Rivers LA 3.284 | West Berkshire UA 3.33 | Windsor and Maidenhead UA 3.386 | Aylesbury Vale LA 3.412 |
| Wyre Forest LA | Amber Valley LA 2.091 | North Warwickshire LA 2.344 | North West Leicestershire LA 2.407 | Newark and Sherwood LA 2.586 | Hinckley and Bosworth LA 2.636 |
| Wyre LA | Denbighshire UA 3.326 | Teignbridge LA 3.525 | Sedgemoor LA 3.559 | Adur LA 3.58 | Conwy UA 3.589 |
| York UA | Bath and North East Somerset UA 2.966 | Cheltenham LA 3.473 | Canterbury LA 3.747 | Colchester LA 3.964 | Chester LA 4.115 |