

Somer Valley

Local Needs: key facts & figures

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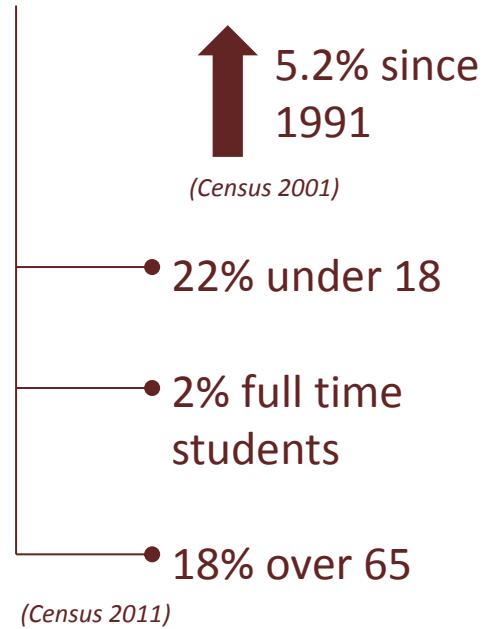
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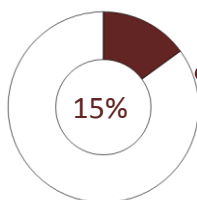
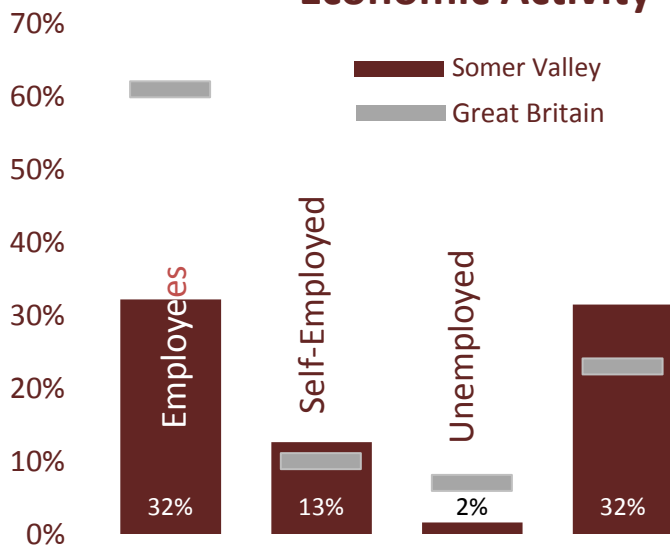
There are

40,055 residents

(ONS 2012 Mid-Year Estimates)



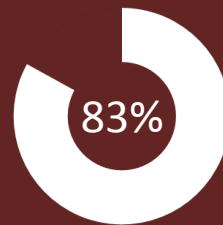
Economic Activity



of which are retired

Economically inactive

(Census 2011)



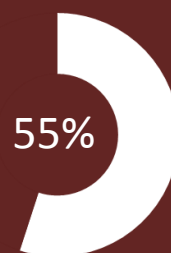
of residents in good or very good health

7.3% of lives "limited a lot" by a disability.

(Census 2011)

815

Employment & Support Allowance claimants...



of whom have mental or behavioural disorders

(DWP Benefits Dashboard, 2014)

3.4% of Somer Valley residents provide more than 20 hours unpaid care per week.

• Nearly 1,460 people

(Census 2011)



3 in 10 children aged 5/6



and 1 in 4 children aged 10/11 are **overweight or obese**.

(National child measurement programme, 2009-12)

Education

Degree level or above

Somer Valley **22%**

England & Wales **27%**

No Qualifications

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Child poverty is low compared to the UK

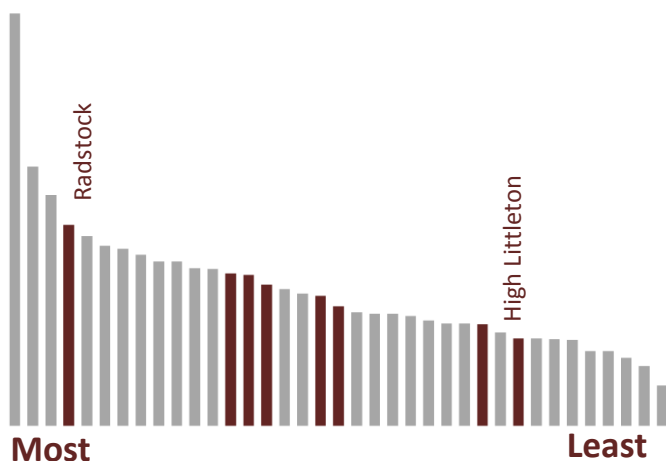
Somer Valley **14%**

UK **27%**

(End Child Poverty, Poverty Map of the UK, 2013)

Deprivation

Levels of deprivation vary greatly across the Somer Valley cluster from Radstock in the most deprived 40% nationally...



...to High Littleton in the least deprived 20% nationally

Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2010

Industrial History

The Somer Valley is at the centre of the Somerset Coalfields and employed up to **4,000** people in the early c19.

Collier, (1999) Colliers Way- History and Walks in the Somerset Coalfield

Although the last pit closed in 1973, in 2013 The Somer Valley contained **8%** of all businesses in Bath and North East Somerset, and **16%** of manufacturing businesses.

Inter-Departmental Business Register, 2013