

Table 1.4

Estimated population resident in the United Kingdom, by foreign country of birth^{3,4,5}
October 2009 to September 2010
Five most common countries of birth

Countries of the United Kingdom and
Regions of England

thousands

United Kingdom			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	India	684	36
2	Poland	521	31
3	Pakistan	419	28
4	Republic of Ireland	398	27
5	Germany	290	23

thousands

North East			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	India	14	4
2	Germany	12	4
3	Poland	11	4
4	China	7	3
5	Pakistan	7	3

thousands

North West			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	Pakistan	74	11
2	Poland	49	9
3	India	47	9
4	Republic of Ireland	42	8
5	Germany	19	5

thousands

Yorkshire and The Humber			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	Pakistan	68	11
2	India	40	9
3	Poland	37	8
4	Germany	21	6
5	Republic of Ireland	14	5

thousands

East Midlands			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	India	62	13
2	Poland	46	11
3	Germany	23	8
4	Republic of Ireland	22	8
5	Pakistan	17	7

thousands

West Midlands			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	Pakistan	84	13
2	India	83	13
3	Poland	47	10
4	Republic of Ireland	37	9
5	Jamaica	27	7

thousands

East			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	India	49	11
2	Poland	40	10
3	Republic of Ireland	36	10
4	Germany	29	9
5	United States of America	27	9

thousands

London			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	India	254	27
2	Poland	123	19
3	Bangladesh	116	18
4	Republic of Ireland	108	17
5	Nigeria	93	16

thousands

South East			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	India	72	13
2	South Africa	63	12
3	Republic of Ireland	52	11
4	Poland	51	11
5	Germany	50	11

thousands

South West			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	Poland	36	9
2	Germany	31	8
3	Republic of Ireland	23	7
4	India	23	7
5	South Africa	18	6

thousands

England			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	India	643	37
2	Poland	440	31
3	Pakistan	398	29
4	Republic of Ireland	340	27
5	Germany	255	23

thousands

Wales			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	Poland	14	3
2	India	12	3
3	Germany	11	3
4	Republic of Ireland	9	3
5	Philippines	6	2

thousands

Scotland			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	Poland	53	8
2	India	27	5
3	Republic of Ireland	23	5
4	Germany	20	5
5	Pakistan	16	4

thousands

Northern Ireland			
	Country	Estimate	CI +/-
1	Republic of Ireland	26	8
2	Poland	15	6
3	Lithuania	6	4
4	Canada	4	3
5	Slovakia	4	3

Source: Annual Population Survey (APS)/Labour Force Survey (LFS), ONS

Statistical Robustness¹

0 ≤ CV < 5	Estimates are considered precise
5 ≤ CV < 10	Estimates are reasonably precise
10 ≤ CV < 20	Estimates are considered acceptable
CV ≥ 20	Estimates are not considered reliable for practical purposes

Notes:

1. Standard error is an estimate of the margin of error associated with a sample survey. The coefficient of variation (CV) indicates the robustness of each estimate. It is defined as:

$$\% = \frac{\text{standard error}}{\text{estimate}} \times 100$$

2. CI+/- is the upper (+) and lower (-) 95% confidence limits. It is defined as:

$$1.96 \times \text{standard error}$$

3. Estimates are based on the Annual Population Survey (APS) which is the Labour Force Survey (LFS) plus various sample boosts. APS and LFS data has now been grossed to 2008-based population estimates and projections. Tables published from the year ending September 2009 have been weighted using these estimates. Tables published prior to this were weighted using the 2006-based estimates and projections and have not been revised. Analysis shows that there is no discernable discontinuity in these tables.

4. It should be noted that the LFS :-

- * excludes students in halls who do not have a UK resident parent
- * excludes people in most other types of communal establishments (eg hotels, boarding houses, hostels, mobile home sites, etc)
- * is grossed to population estimates that only include migrants staying for 12 months or more

5. The LFS weighting does not adjust for non-response bias by the country of birth variable.