NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE KEY FACTS
Updated: February 2011

PEOPLE
Population 284,300 (ONS Mid-2009 estimate) Area 113 sq km
Households 119,000 (Source: CLG est. for 2008)

ECONOMY

WORK FORCE
Employees in Employment 170,900 (2009 workplace-based. Source: ABI on NOMISweb)
Labour Force 186,000 ( Resident yr end June 2010. Source: APS on NOMISweb)

Unemployment (Claimants, Unadjusted: December 2010) Male Female Total
5,943 2,229 8,172
9.9% 4.1% 6.7% [Note: TWRI rates shown are calculated against the estimated economically active resident population, at 2009.]

Employment by Industry
Primary & Utilities 0.4% Information & communication 4.0%
Manufacturing 5.0% Financial & insurance 4.5%
Construction 3.4% Property 1.9%
Motor trades 1.3% Professional/Scientist/Techn. 8.8%
Wholesale 1.3% Business admin/support services 7.2%
Retail 8.6% Public admin & defence 10.5%
Transport & storage 3.6% Education 11.6%
Accomod. & food services 7.0% Health 16.0%
[Note: Primary & Utilities consists of sections A–[Agric., Forestry & Fishing], B, D, E- [Mining, Quarry & Utilities]. (Source: Annual Business Inquiry on NOMISweb)

BUSINESSES AND MAJOR COMPANIES & INDUSTRIES
Active Enterprises 2008 2009 Net Change
Newcastle upon Tyne 7,415 7,545 130 1.8%
Source: ONS Business Demography: Active Enterprises

Principal Industries and Major Companies Include:
Business Services Sage Plc*
Banking & Financial Services Northern Rock*
Professional Services Ward Hadaway*
Mechanical Engineering Eversheds*
Construction Bellway*
Food & Drink Greggs plc*
Retail Fenwick, John Lewis, Debenhams
* = HQ

HOUSING & COMMERCIAL
Average House Prices November 2010 (Source: HM Land Registry)
Detached £279,500 Semi-Detached £137,900 Terraced £128,600 Flat/Maisonette £101,800 Overall £124,200

Council Tax (for 2010/11) (Source: Newcastle City Council)
Band A Total Charge (£) Band D Total Charge (£) Band G Total Charge (£)
992.60 1,512.00 2,481.49
1,158.03 1,819.77 2,977.78
1,323.46 2,150.63

TRANSPORT

Car Ownership
All cars or vans in the area: 81,817
55% of all households have at least 1 car or van
(Census 2001 © Crown Copyright)

Communications
Roads A1(M) or A1 (from the South), A69 (from the West), A1 (from the North)

Flights (Scheduled flights from Newcastle Airport. Source: Timetable January 2010)
Aberdeen (4) Alicante (5) Amsterdam (6) Birmingham (3) Bristol (4)
Barcelona (2) Chambery (1) Copenhagen (2)
Dublin (2) Exeter (3) Faro (2)
Geneva (4) Ibiza (1) Inverness (1)
Isle of Man (1) Las Palmas (1)
Limoges (1) London Heathrow (7)
Londen Stansted (5) Malta (1) Manchester (1)
Menorca (1) Mouria (4) Newquay (2)
Nice (1) Palma (6) Paris (8)
Pisa (1) Plymouth (1) Rome (1)
Sharm El Sheikh (1) Southampton (6) Split (1)
Tenerife (1) Toronto (1)

Metro
Frequent services operate between stations in all five Tyne & Wear Districts.
Major stations on the system include
Newcastle: Monument; Central; Haymarket; South Gosforth; Regent Centre and Airport
Gateshead: Gateshead and Heworth
North Tyneside: Four Lane Ends; Northumberland Park; Whitley Bay and North Shields
South Tyneside: South Shields; Chichester and Jarrow
Sunderland: Sunderland, Park Lane, Seaburn and St. Peter's

Rail
Fastest times from Newcastle Central Station: (to nearest 5 minutes), January 2010
Aberdeen 4h 05m London 2h 50m
Birmingham 3h 00m Leeds 1h 20m
Edinburgh 1h 25m Manchester 2h 20m
Glasgow 2h 30m

International Ferry
Ferry services depart from the International Ferry Terminal, North Shields to the following destination:
Ushaiden, Amsterdam, Holland (Daily).

Source: DFDS, January 2011.

EDUCATION

Higher Education
• University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE1 7RU
  Tel: (0191) 222 6000

• Northumbria University, Ellison Buildings, Ellison Place, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE1 8ST
  Tel: (0191) 232 6002

2007/08 Academic Year
University of Newcastle
Undergraduate full-time 14,325 Postgraduate full-time 3,695
Total full-time 18,020 20,875
Undergraduate part-time 1,465 7,255
Postgraduate part-time 4,160
Total part-time 5,625 11,415
FE Students 0 375
Total Students 19,575 32,665

Further Information
HESA website at www.hesa.ac.uk

RETAIL

Shopping Centres
Newcastle City Centre (inc. Eldon Square, Eldon Garden and Monument Mall)
Shields Road District Centre Gosforth High Street
Chillingham Road Kingston Park

Net Retail Floor Space (2009) 438,700 m²

Sources
City of Newcastle; Office for National Statistics; Dept. of Trade & Industry; HM Land Registry; Office of the Deputy Prime Minister

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