

The Ethnic Profile of Northampton & Serious Acquisitive / Violent Crime

Context

Previous analysis of crime and disorder in Northampton has recently shown that certain ethnic groups tend to be disproportionately victims and perpetrators of certain types of crime. These findings have been based upon a comparison of police recorded crime data and mid-year population estimates provided by the Office for National Statistics (ONS). The latest release of Census 2011 data (11/12/12) provides more robust estimates of the ethnic composition of Northampton to verify these findings. This report further illustrates these findings.

General Population

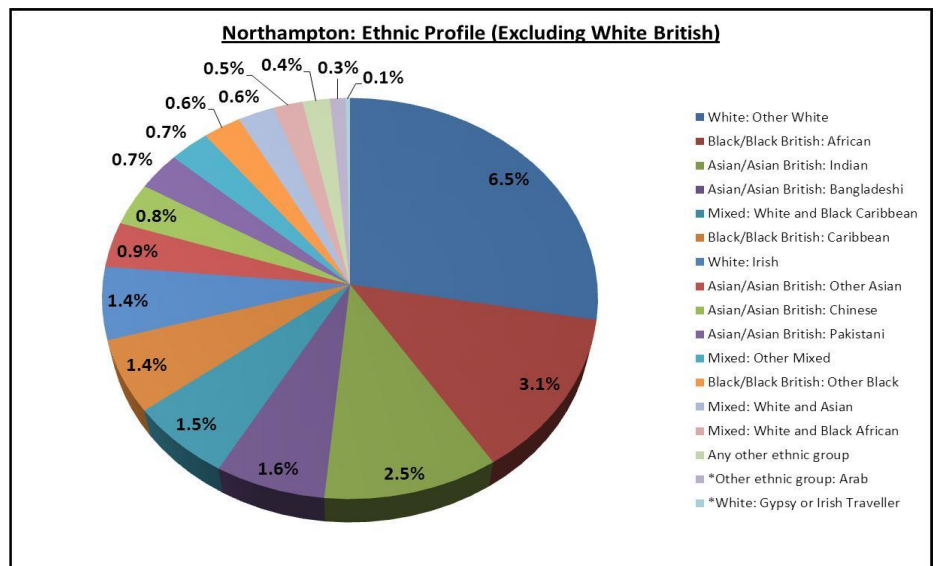
Census 2011: Ethnic Group: Northampton		
Ethnic Group	Count	%
White: British	162,353	76.6
White: Other White	13,825	6.5
Black/Black British: African	6,473	3.1
Asian/Asian British: Indian	5,328	2.5
Asian/Asian British: Bangladeshi	3,367	1.6
Mixed: White and Black Caribbean	3,149	1.5
Black/Black British: Caribbean	2,946	1.4
White: Irish	2,911	1.4
Asian/Asian British: Other Asian	1,815	0.9
Asian/Asian British: Chinese	1,705	0.8
Asian/Asian British: Pakistani	1,536	0.7
Mixed: Other Mixed	1,402	0.7
Black/Black British: Other Black	1,322	0.6
Mixed: White and Asian	1,286	0.6
Mixed: White and Black African	1,012	0.5
Any other ethnic group	947	0.4
*Other ethnic group: Arab	543	0.3
*White: Gypsy or Irish Traveller	149	0.1
Total Population	212,067	

*Newly introduced ethnicity groups for Census 2011

The table to the right shows the ethnic profile of the population of Northampton as per Census 2011 data. The key differences from the previous ONS estimate are:-

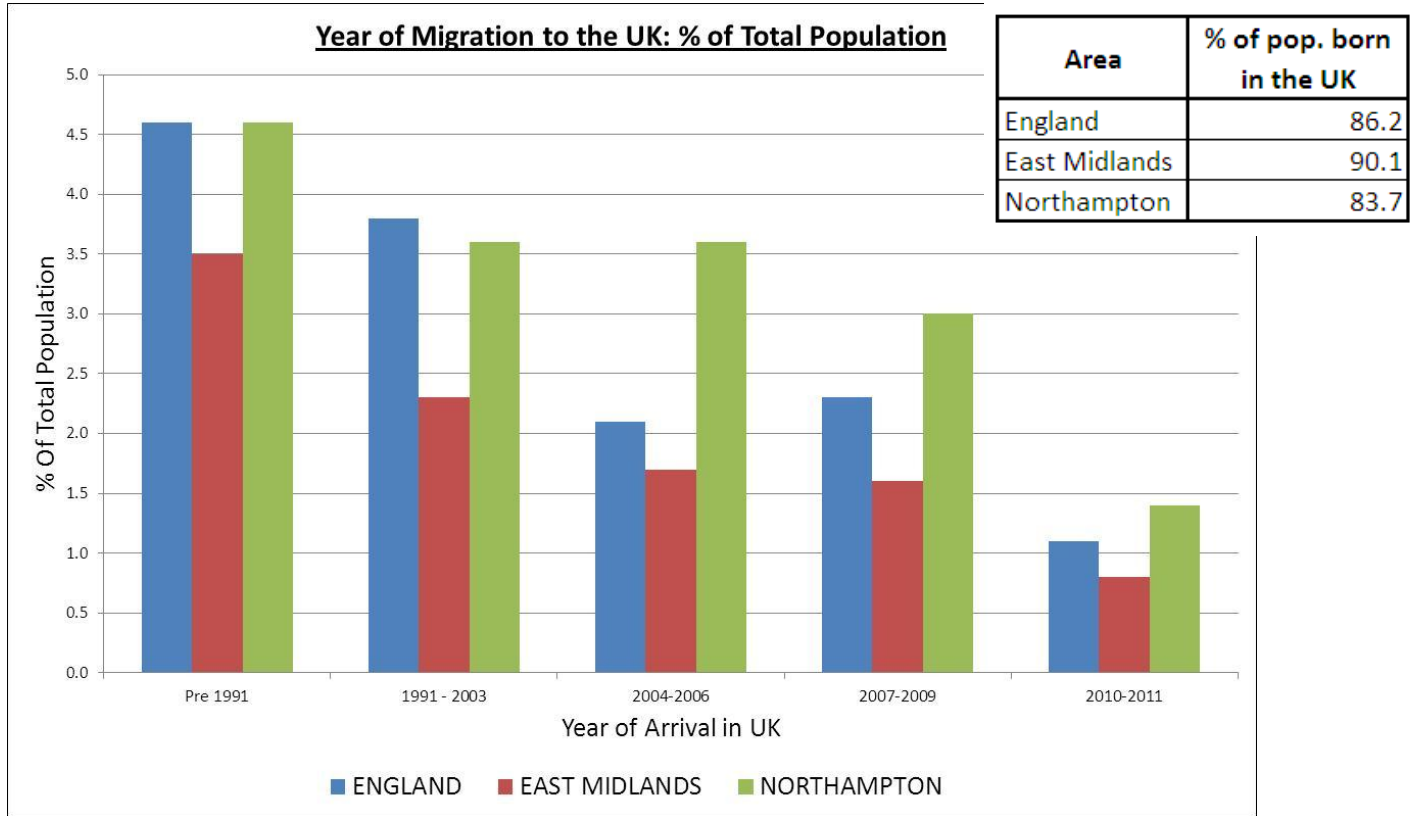
- The estimated proportion of **White: British** population **reduced** by 3.8%.
- The estimated proportion of **White: Other** **increased** from 4.2% to 6.5%.
- The estimated proportion of **Black/ Black British African** more than **doubled** from 1.4% to 3.1%.
- The estimated number of **Indians** in Northampton has been **reduced** by over 2,000, whilst **Bangladeshi's** have been **increased** by over 1,500.

The pie charts to the right shows the ethnic profile of Northampton, *excluding White British*, to provide a better picture of our BME communities.



Migration

The graph below illustrates the accelerated migration of non-UK citizens to Northampton. The graph shows the year residents arrived in the UK by percentage of the general population. As shown, between 2004 – 2011, migration to Northampton has been just under twice the rate of the regional average and 45% greater than the national average.



Victim Profiles

The tables below shows the proportion of victims for serious acquisitive and violent crime types during the previous three years (Aug 2009 – Jul 2012). As shown, Other White Background ethnicity is consistently over-represented across all crimes types analysed excluding serious sexual offences. It is also worth noting the over-representation of Black victims in relation to violent crimes.

General Pop Estimate		ETHNIC GROUP	CRIME TYPE							
			Burg Dwelling	Theft From Vehicle	Theft Of Vehicle	Robbery	Domestic Violence	NTE Violence	Serious Sex Offences	All Violence
Vol	%									
162353	76.6%	White: British	72.1%	68.9%	68.5%	69.0%	71.3%	70.7%	83.6%	72.6%
13825	6.5%	White: Other White	15.2%	15.6%	16.0%	10.2%	12.6%	11.5%	5.9%	10.8%
6473	3.1%	Black/Black British: African	2.0%	2.8%	4.5%	2.4%	3.0%	3.6%	2.0%	3.1%
5328	2.5%	Asian/Asian British: Indian	1.9%	1.5%	1.7%	2.4%	1.3%	1.2%	0.6%	1.3%
3367	1.6%	Asian/Asian British: Bangladeshi	0.7%	2.1%	0.8%	2.0%	1.3%	1.1%	1.0%	1.1%
3149	1.5%	Mixed: White and Black Caribbean	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	1.7%	1.9%	1.2%	1.6%	1.4%
2946	1.4%	Black/Black British: Caribbean	1.4%	0.8%	1.5%	1.1%	2.2%	1.5%	0.2%	1.5%
2911	1.4%	White: Irish	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.4%	1.1%	0.6%	0.2%	0.9%
1815	0.9%	Asian/Asian British: Other Asian	1.7%	2.5%	1.6%	5.3%	1.3%	2.8%	1.2%	2.4%
1705	0.8%	Asian/Asian British: Chinese	0.9%	0.3%	0.6%	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%
1536	0.7%	Asian/Asian British: Pakistani	0.6%	1.2%	1.4%	1.8%	0.7%	1.5%	0.6%	1.3%
1490	0.7%	*Any Other Ethnic Group	0.5%	0.5%	0.3%	1.0%	0.4%	0.5%	0.0%	0.4%
1402	0.7%	Mixed: Other Mixed	0.4%	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%	0.7%	0.5%	1.0%	0.7%
1322	0.6%	Black/Black British: Other Black	1.1%	1.7%	1.0%	1.1%	1.6%	2.2%	1.4%	1.8%
1286	0.6%	Mixed: White and Asian	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	0.4%	0.0%	0.2%
1012	0.5%	Mixed: White and Black African	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.4%	0.5%	0.2%	0.6%	0.3%
Total Victims			3294	4297	1172	714	2315	2008	493	8438

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This data should be treated with caution however, due to the low volume of offences in relation to Robbery and Serious Sexual Offences, and also, with the caveat that disproportionately low representation of an ethnicity may indicate a reluctance to report crime, particularly in relation to domestic violence and serious sexual offences. A further caution is that the population data captures only those who completed the census; there may be a particularly low return rate in certain ethnic groups which could lead to an underestimate of the prevalence of certain demographics.

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13751	6.5%	Asian/ Asian British	5.7%	7.6%	6.1%	11.9%	4.7%	6.9%	3.4%	6.4%
10741	5.1%	Black/ Black British	4.4%	5.4%	7.1%	4.6%	6.8%	7.3%	3.7%	6.4%
6849	3.2%	Mixed Heritage	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	2.8%	3.1%	2.4%	3.2%	2.6%
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Offender Profiles

The tables below show the proportion of *police recorded* offenders for serious acquisitive and violent crime types during the previous three years (Aug 2009 – Jul 2012). Similar findings to the victim profile are shown here, with Other White Background being over-represented in various crime types, and Black ethnicity types also being over-represented in relation to violence. It is important to note that this data only accounts for a proportion of offenders, and in some crime types, this proportion is particularly low (e.g. vehicle crime, serious sexual offences)

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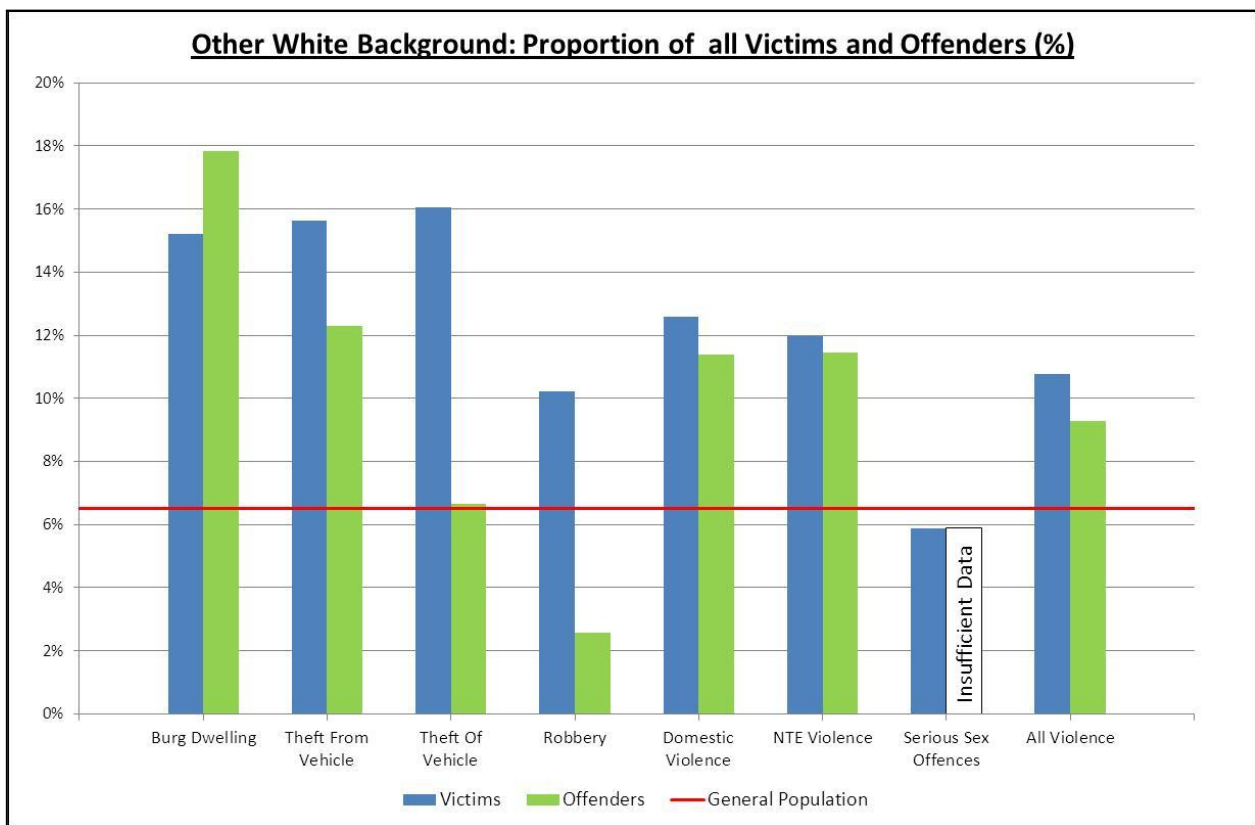
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Other White Background

The graphs below focus specifically upon victims and offenders of Other White Background, illustrating the regular over-representation of this ethnicity in recorded crime data.



Both police recorded crime and Census 2011 data fall short of identifying specific nationalities and first languages amongst the Northampton population. It is recommended that this information is obtained from alternative sources in order to enhance partnership responses to tackling this trend.