



# Leicester Overview Select Committee

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# Census 2021

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- Detailed snapshot of personal and household characteristics at March 2021.
- National survey undertaken every 10 years
- Long-term trends
- Highly comparable across local authorities and smaller geographies
- Used by central and local government and VCSEs to develop policy, plan services, and allocate funding.
- Data released in tranches over 2022-2023

## Topics

- Demography
- Migration
- UK armed forces veterans
- Ethnic group, national identity, language, and religion
- Labour market and travel to work
- Housing
- Sexual orientation and gender identity
- Education
- Health, disability, and unpaid care

# Leicester Household Survey 2021

- Snapshot of Leicester households in Autumn 2021
- Local survey of 3,272 Leicester adults (18+)
- Reasonably representative of Leicester's adult population
- Topics for which there are few other sources of local data.
- Can be used by LCC and local organisations for service planning, needs assessment, and bids
- All data available now



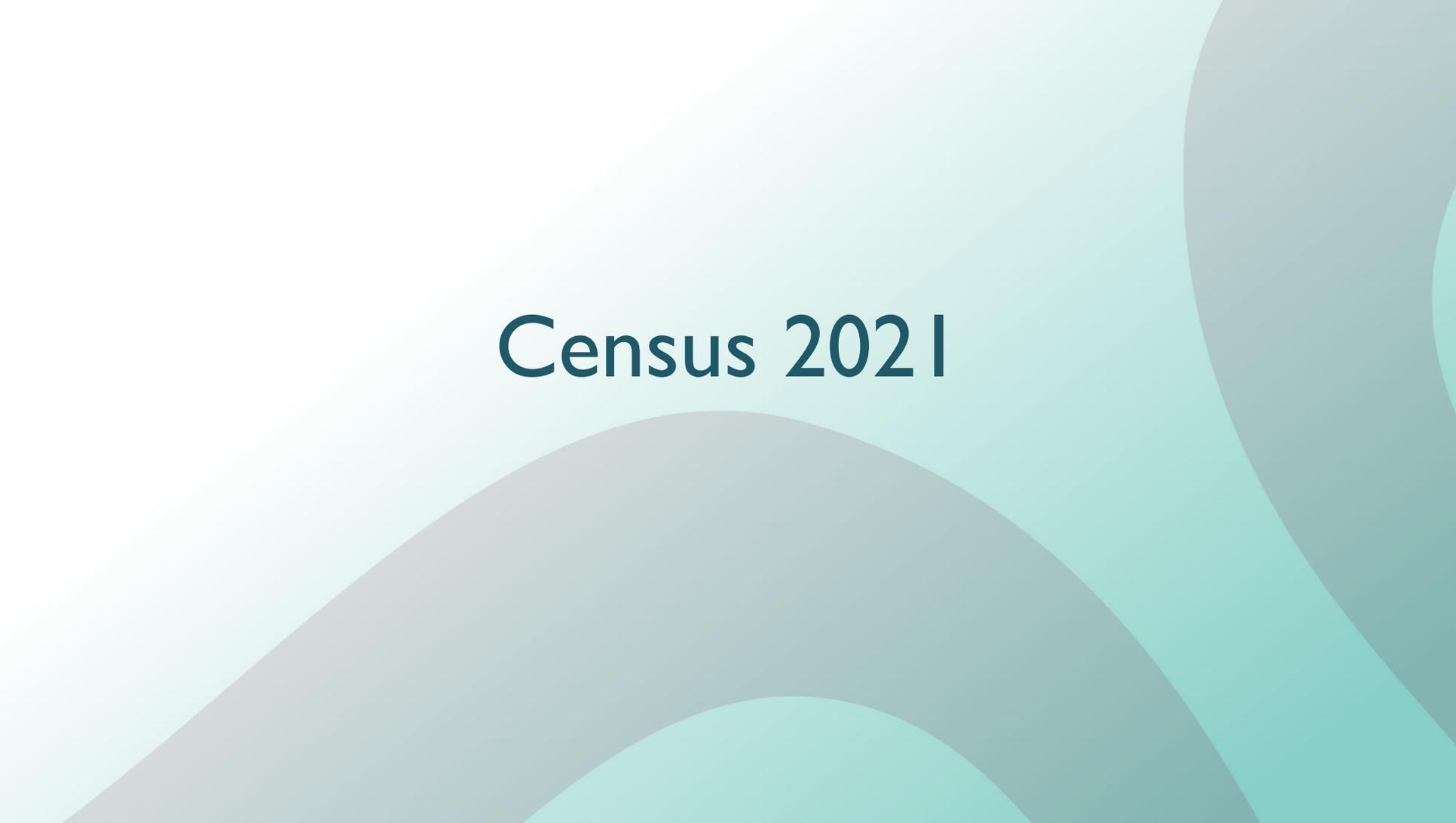
## Topics

- Personal characteristics
- Household characteristics
- Health and wellbeing
- Money and finances
- Digital access and internet use
- News and information
- Leicester City Council and you

# Census and Leicester Household Survey

- Census 2021 and the Leicester Household Survey 2021 are separate but complementary sources of data.
- Both data sources allow comparison between demographic subgroups such as ethnicity and age.
- The census allows comparison over time and across small geographic areas.
- The Leicester Household Survey allows in-depth analysis of topics which are not typically covered by other data sources.
- Where the census asked a similar question to the survey, the census should be seen as the more authoritative source of information.

# Census 2021

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# Census 2021 release overview

Census data is published by the ONS in phases. Local authorities get access to census data at the same time as the public.

**Phase one** began in June 2022 with the release of data tables for population by 5 year age band and sex and number of households at the local authority level, rounded to the nearest 100.

From November 2022 to January 2023 further releases are planned every few weeks in the order below.

- Demography and migration (2 November)
- UK armed forces veterans (first time question asked), (8 November)
- Ethnic group, national identity, language, and religion (29 November)
- Labour market and travel to work (8 December)
- Housing (January)
- Sexual orientation and gender identity (first time question asked), (January)
- Education (January)
- Health, disability, and unpaid care (January)

**Phase two** will run throughout 2023 and include short-term resident data and multivariate data (i.e. ethnicity by age), allowing more in-depth analysis. The ONS will also publish an interactive 'build an area profile' tool.

**Phase three** begins in Spring 2023 and will include detailed migration data, origin-destination flows, outputs on small populations such as Kashmiri, Nepali, Sikh.

## Key links

Census interactive mapping tool - <https://www.ons.gov.uk/census/maps>

Release calendar - <https://www.ons.gov.uk/census/censustransformationprogramme/census2021outputs/releaseplans>

# Census headlines so far

## Population, demography, and households

- Leicester's population at the 2021 census was 368,581, up from 329,839 in 2011. This is an increase of 38,742.
- All age groups except the over 75s, 25-29 year olds, and 0-4s saw substantial growth in number of residents.
- Leicester is one of the fastest growing cities in England. The population has increased by 11.8% since 2011. England's population grew by 6.6% and the East Midlands grew by 7.7% over this period.
- The number of households increased to 127,400 from about 123,000 in 2011. This represents a change of 3.5% compared to 6.2% for England overall.

## Migration

- 151,492 Leicester residents were born outside of the UK. This represents 41% of Leicester's population. 17% of England's population was born overseas.
- The number of Leicester residents born outside of the UK has increased by 40,649 since the 2011 census, when there were 110,843 residents born outside of the UK, representing 34% of the city's population.
- Excluding the UK, the most common countries of birth were India (59,842), Other South and East Africa inc. Uganda (12,674), Poland (8,924), Kenya (6,417), Pakistan (4,989) and Romania (4,698)

## Veterans

- 4,630 Leicester residents have previously served in the armed forces. This is around 1.6% of Leicester's 16+ population, compared to 3.8% for England overall.
- This is the first time the census collected data on veterans. It is the first time reliable local-level estimates have been produced to support local authorities and third-sector organisations to fulfil the demands of the Armed Forces Covenant.

# Total population

Leicester's total usual resident population at the 2021 census was 368,000.

Since 2011 Leicester's population has increased by around 38,800. This represents an 11.8% increase.

Over the same period, England's population increased by 6.6% and the East Midlands by 7.7%.

Between 2001 and 2011 Leicester's population increased by 49,900 (17.8%), indicating population growth has slowed in the last decade.

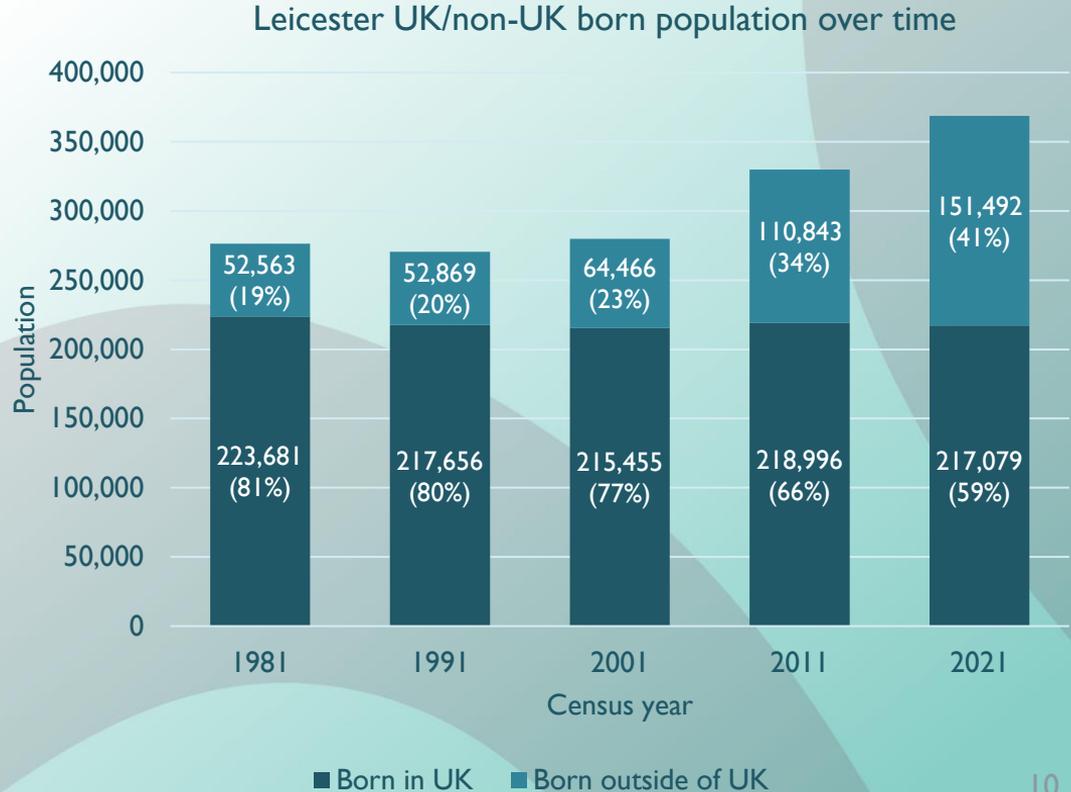


# Country of birth

At the 2021 census, Leicester's total population was 368,571. 151,492 residents were born outside of the UK, representing 41% of the city's population.

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The number of Leicester residents born in the UK has remained stable since the 1981 census, which suggests the city's population growth has been primarily driven by international migration.



# Top 10 countries of birth – 2011 and 2021

The countries in this chart represent three quarters of non-UK-born Leicester residents.

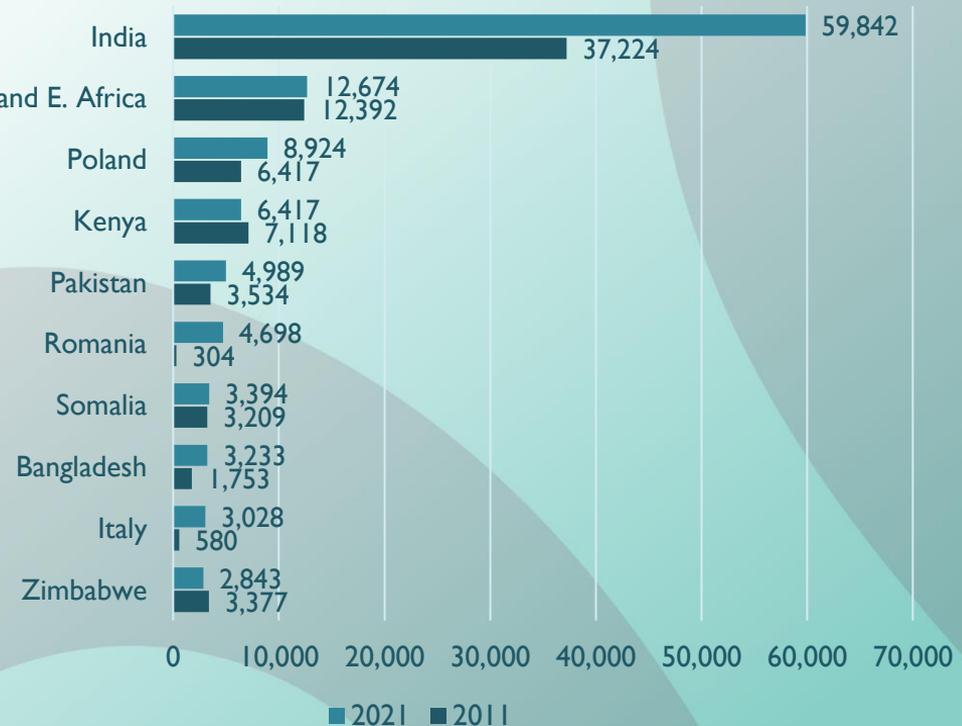
Compared to 2011, there are 22,618 more Leicester residents who were born in India.

There has been a fifteen-fold increase in the number of Romanian-born residents, and a five-fold increase in the number of Italian-born residents.

There are also substantially more residents from Poland, Pakistan, and Bangladesh.

The countries of origin, and the large increases in numbers of residents from Romania and Italy are broadly similar to England overall.

Top 10 non-UK countries of birth, 2011 and 2021



\*Uganda, Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, and Swaziland, Burundi, Comoros, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Réunion, Rwanda, Seychelles, Somaliland, Tanzania, Zambia.

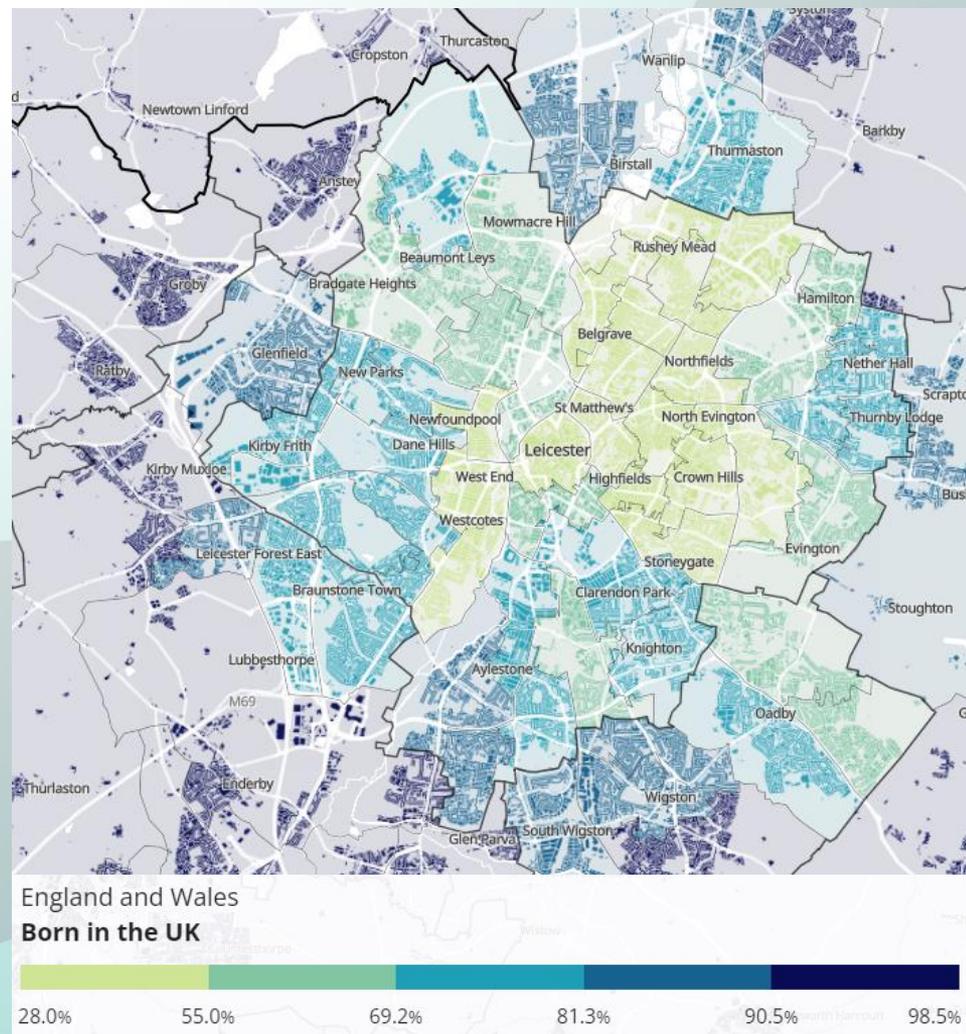
# Born in the UK map by MSOA

Areas with the highest proportion of residents born in the UK were generally towards the South, West, and Eastern edges of the city.

Aylestone South (85%) and Eyres Monsell (83%) have the highest proportion of UK-born residents.

The areas to the Northeast and Southwest of the city centre had the lowest proportion of residents born in the UK.

Belgrave South (28%) and Belgrave North West (33%) have the lowest proportion of UK-born residents.



# Where to find census data

## National data tables

- Interactive census data maps - <https://www.ons.gov.uk/census/maps>
- Topic summary datasets - <https://www.ons.gov.uk/census/aboutcensus/censusproducts/topicsummaries>

## Leicester data tables

Re-publishing Leicester's data makes it more accessible to LCC services, local VCSEs, and residents.

- Selected Leicester-specific tables are published on the open data platform. Search 'Census' at <https://data.leicester.gov.uk/pages/home>

# Leicester Household Survey 2021

# Where to find Leicester Household Survey results

## Headline findings report

Overall findings of the survey will be made available on the Leicester City Council website.

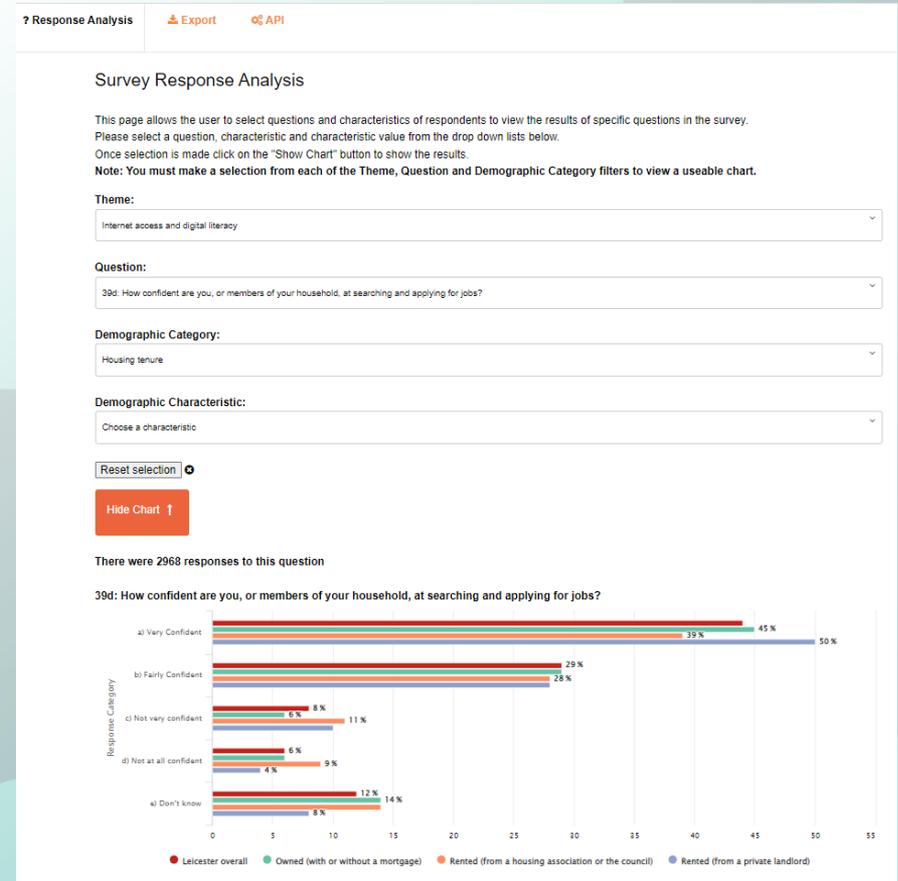
## Open data platform

Survey results broken down by age, ethnicity, and housing tenure can be accessed by searching for 'Leicester Household Survey' at <https://data.leicester.gov.uk/>

Results can be downloaded or viewed online using the Response Analysis tab.

## Bespoke analysis

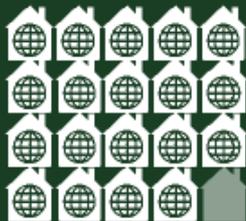
Pseudonymised record level data can be made available to Leicester City Council teams for in depth analysis.





## Digital access and internet use

95% of households had access to the internet at home.



Many of those without access to the internet at home still reported being able to access the internet in some way.



Mobile phones were the most common way for households to access the internet (93%).



10% of households accessed the internet at a public building.



Four out of every five households used the internet for online shopping, online banking, and paying bills.



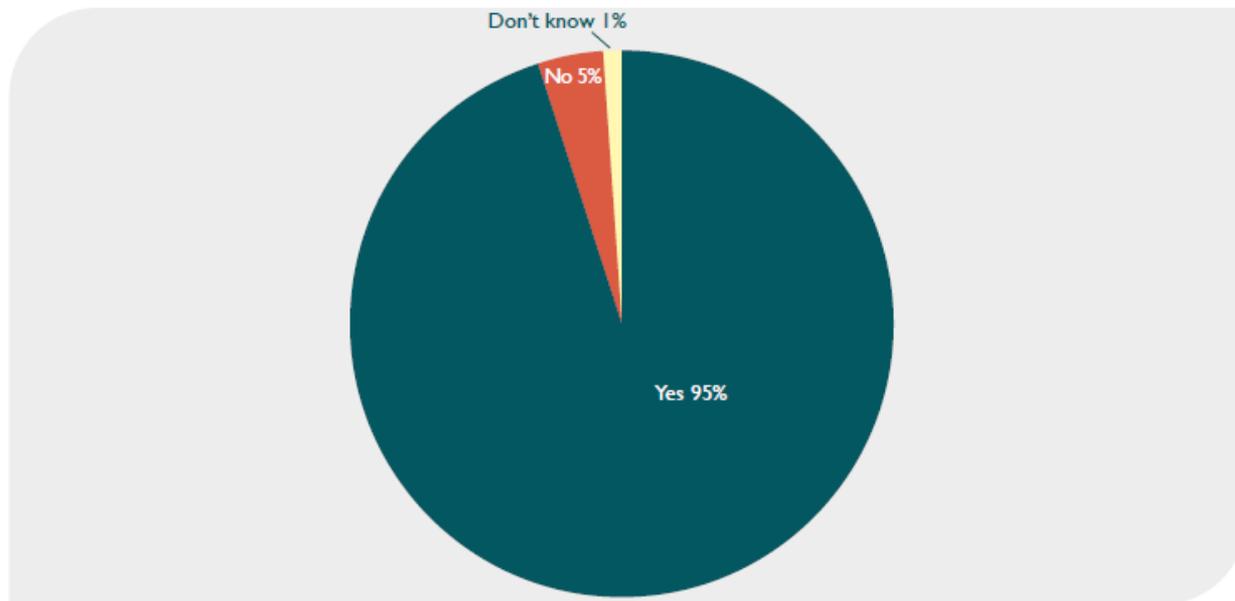
Almost all respondents were comfortable using search engines or sending or receiving emails online. However, one in five said they were not confident doing more complex online tasks such as managing privacy settings.



Almost all respondents said they could access the internet at home.



### 34: Does your household have access to the internet at home?



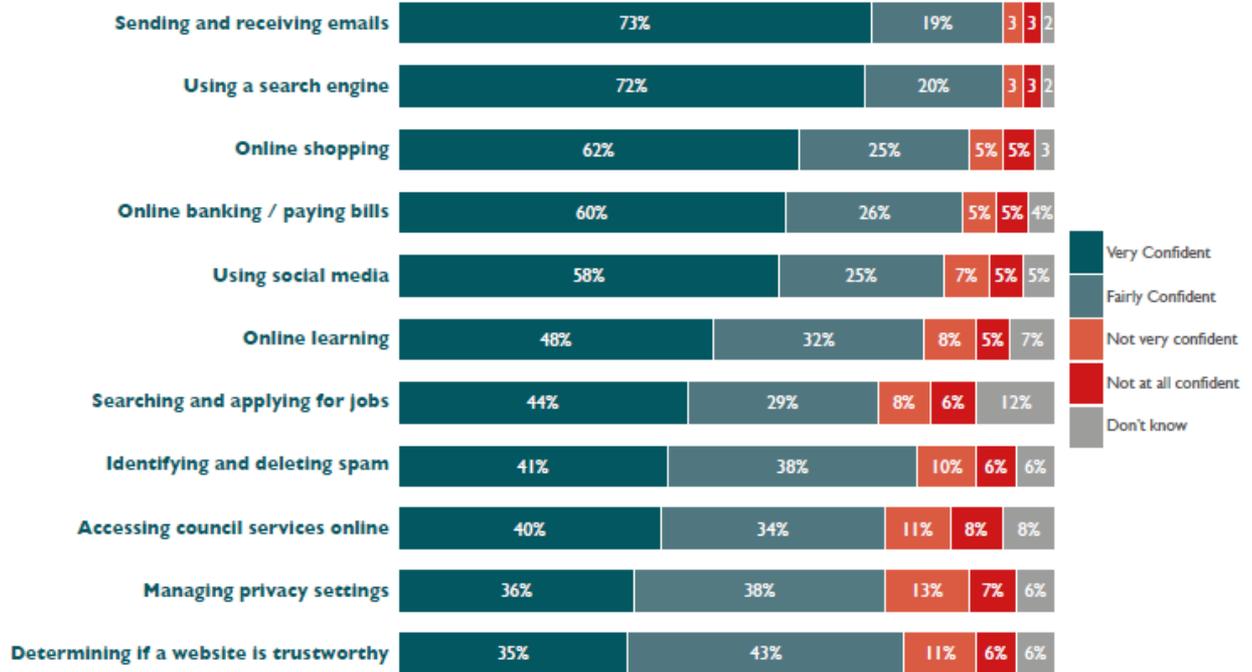
3,251 respondents answered this question.

Most respondents were confident in their household's capabilities to do common tasks such as sending and receiving emails or using a search engine.

However, around a quarter of households were not confident with more complex tasks such as accessing council services or managing privacy settings.



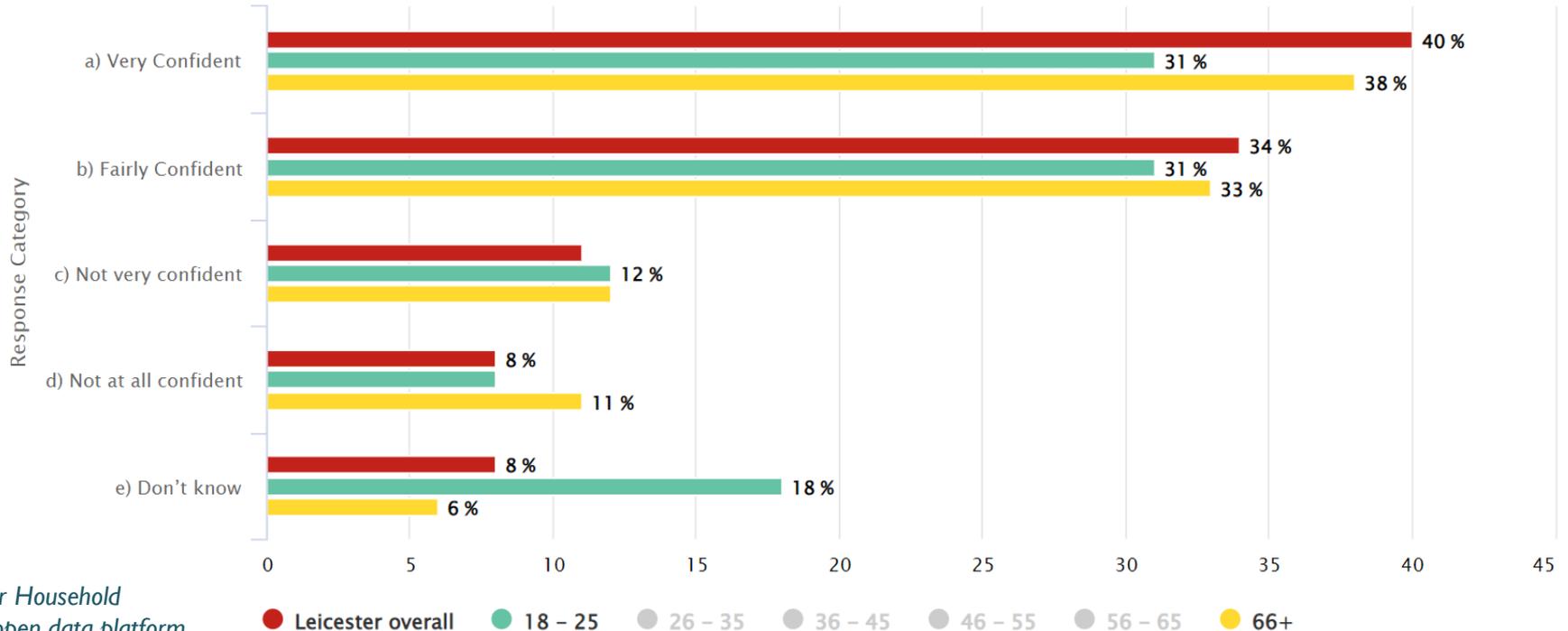
### 39: How confident are you, or members of your household, at...?



Between 2,968 and 3,120 respondents answered each of these questions.

The **open data platform** allows users to drill down to each question and view responses by demographic characteristic. In the example below, 18-25 year olds are less likely to be very confident accessing council services online than adults in general or those age 66+. They are also more likely to say they don't know, perhaps because they are less likely to have attempted to access council services.

### 39a: How confident are you, or members of your household, at accessing council services online?



# Bespoke analysis

Using record level data we can undertake bespoke analysis of groups of interest.

For example, the census tells us how many Leicester residents are age 66+ and live alone. The Leicester Household Survey allows us to profile this group by each of the survey's themes.

The survey also helps to understand communications preferences for this group, allowing communications to be tailored by service areas.

**11,871**  
One person households aged 66 years and over (Census 2021)

