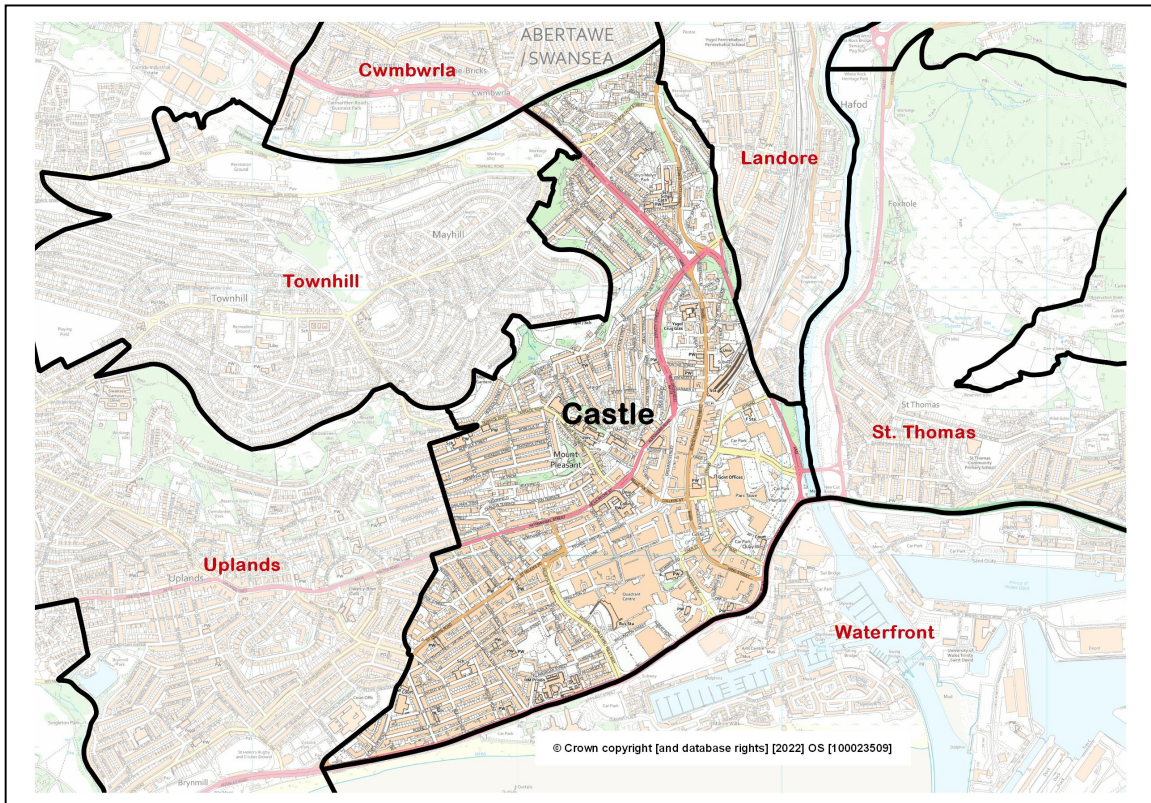


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Councillors (Electoral Vote, May 2022): Fiona Gordon (Labour – 1,613); Hannah Lawson (Labour – 1,564); Patience Nansat Bentu (Labour – 1,533); David Phillips (Labour – 1,475).
Turnout (2022) = 26%. Electorate (May 2022): 9,287.



- **Location:** Comprises Swansea city centre and locality areas to its west and north, including Sandfields, Mount Pleasant, Dyfatty and Waun Wen.
- **Adjacent Wards:** Cwmbwrla, Landore, St. Thomas, Waterfront, Uplands, Townhill.
- **Electoral Ward Review 2022:** Changed – the south part of the former Castle electoral ward now forms part of the new Waterfront electoral ward.
- **Constituency Area (Welsh Government/UK Parliament):** Swansea West.
- **Population (Office for National Statistics rounded estimate, 2021 Census):** 13,200.
- **Area:** 2.3 km². **Population density:** 5,753 people per km² (ONS 2021)
- **Employment (former ward, ONS workplace estimate, 2021):** 18,000. Major employers: BT, HM Prison Service, Tesco, other city centre / Parc Tawe retailers and businesses.

Ward features, facilities and localities:



ABOUT THE WARD

Castle ward includes the main city centre retail area but also a number of distinct residential areas. On its western side, mid-19th Century two-storey terraced housing dominates the Sandfields area, interspersed with three and four storey residences along the main arterial roads. Much of the city centre's historic housing was lost during the Blitz. In Greenhill and Dyfatty, large areas of substandard housing were removed in the 1960s, followed by the development of several tower blocks.

Since 2001 there has also been a significant revival of residential development in and around the city centre's core retail area. Recent major schemes include the creation of a new urban village off High Street, together with developments around the city centre itself.

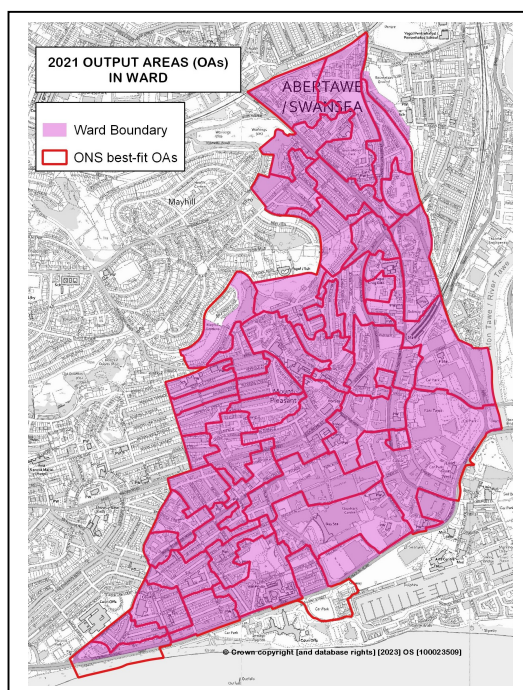
POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLD STATISTICS

Population estimates (2021 Census)

Population	Castle		Swansea
	Total	%	%
Aged: 0-4	536	4.1	4.8
5-15	1,065	8.1	12.2
16-24	3,074	23.3	13.0
25-44	3,872	29.3	24.2
45-64	2,800	21.2	25.3
65-74	971	7.4	10.8
75+	875	6.6	9.7
Total	13,193	100	100
Female	5,949	45.1	50.7
Male	7,244	54.9	49.3

Source: 2021 Census, ONS (Table RM121).

Note: Ward statistics relate to the best-fit Census Output Areas (OAs) shown on the adjacent map.



Summary

- 5th highest ward population in Swansea, and 2nd highest population density (2021).
- Higher proportions of people aged 16-24 (especially) and 25-45 years.
- Lower percentage of residents aged 45+.
- Higher proportions (than Swansea average) of people born outside the UK and in non-white ethnic group.
- Smaller average household size than Swansea.
- Higher proportion of one person (under 66) and other household types.
- Larger percentage of terraced housing and flats, maisonettes or apartments.
- Significantly higher percentage of social and private rented properties.
- Higher proportion of economically inactive adult residents, in particular students.

Population characteristics

People:	Castle	%	Swansea %
born in the UK	9,811	74.4	90.6
born outside UK	3,381	25.6	9.4
in non-white ethnic group	3,511	26.6	8.6
able to speak Welsh (aged 3+)	869	6.8	11.2
in good health	9,638	73.1	78.7
disabled under the Equality Act	3,554	26.9	22.4
with Level 4+ qualifications (aged 16+)	3,403	29.4	32.8
with no qualifications (aged 16+)	2,708	23.4	18.9

Source: 2021 Census, ONS (Tables TS004, TS021, TS033, TS037, TS038, TS067).

Household composition

	Castle	%	Swansea %
Total households / (Average Household Size)	6,312	(1.93)	(2.22)
Composition: One person: Age 66+	876	13.9	14.5
Other	2,395	37.9	19.9
Single family household: All aged 66+	212	3.4	9.5
Married or civil partnership couple	903	14.3	26.8
Cohabiting couple family	597	9.5	10.4
Lone parent family	548	8.7	12.6
Other single family household	84	1.3	0.7
Other household types	697	11.0	5.6

Source: 2021 Census, ONS (Table TS003).

HOUSING: Type and Tenure

Household accommodation type	Castle	%	Swansea %
Detached	153	2.4	24.0
Semi-detached	394	6.2	34.5
Terraced (incl. end terrace)	2,636	41.8	25.4
Flat, maisonette or apartment	3,122	49.5	15.9
Caravan or other mobile/temporary	6	0.1	0.2

Tenure	Castle	%	Swansea %
Households: Owned: Outright	1,073	17.0	35.4
Owned with a mortgage or loan	740	11.7	26.9
Households: Rented: Social rented; from Council	610	9.7	11.7
Social rented; Other (incl. Housing Association)	1,503	23.8	7.4
Private rented	2,355	37.3	18.0
Other (incl. Shared ownership, Living rent free)	31	0.5	0.6

Source: 2021 Census, ONS (Tables TS044, TS054).

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

People aged 16 and over:	Castle	%	Swansea %
Economically Active	5,509	47.6	54.3
Employees: Part-time and Full-time	3,724	32.1	42.2
Self-employed	582	5.0	6.4
Unemployed	433	3.7	2.5
Economically active student	770	6.6	3.3
Economically Inactive	6,076	52.4	45.7
Retired	1,650	14.2	23.9
Student	2,043	17.6	8.4
Looking after home or family	500	4.3	4.2
Long-term sick or disabled	1,209	10.4	6.3
Other	674	5.8	2.9

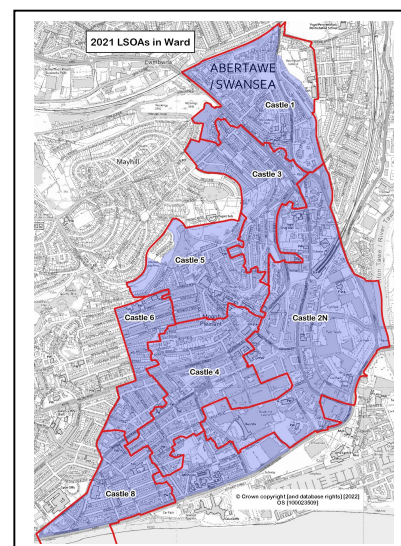
Source: 2021 Census, ONS (Table TS066).

WELSH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (WIMD)

- WIMD 2019 based on Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) geography – in this profile, the area consists of seven LSOAs.

Highest index and domain rankings (Wales):

- Castle 1 – Overall index, Income, Employment, Health, Education (1st decile).
- Castle 2N – Overall index, Income, Employment, Health, Community Safety (1st decile).
- Castle 3, 4 – Community Safety (1st decile).
- Castle 4, 5, 6, 8 – Housing (1st decile).



LSOA	Overall index	Domains: Income		Employment		Health		Education		Access to Services		Housing		Community Safety		Physical Environment		
Cas 1	4	23	7	30	2	9	5	21	14	140	19	522	68	1115	16	192	18	524
Cas 2N	7	36	9	41	1	6	6	30	45	573	6	316	137	1786	1	3	24	572
Cas 3	26	290	34	325	35	386	43	515	20	271	22	534	17	254	9	109	14	493
Cas 4	30	321	44	462	60	721	22	211	63	851	31	619	3	19	3	48	9	408
Cas 5	39	448	45	467	55	677	93	1191	18	242	8	342	9	143	28	320	60	1028
Cas 6	49	643	58	686	80	1050	49	607	78	1104	44	770	1	5	62	829	41	842
Cas 8	51	660	64	749	66	817	50	629	73	1017	43	763	11	160	52	709	3	220

Source: WIMD 2019 (published November 2019), Welsh Government. Note: LSOAs ranked 1-148 (Swansea), 1-1909 (Wales).

Note: The content in this profile will be developed as further ward data becomes available.

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