

2003/04 NATIONAL QUALITY OF LIFE INDICATORS

Indicator Number (2003/04) , Heading & Short Title (L = Local indicator)	Submission Year			Trend 2001/02 to 2003/04 (↑Better ↓Worse, --- No change)	All participating Authorities 2001/02 unless stated)				Time Period to which data applies (2003/04)
	Darlington 2001/02 (* Amended from that reported in previous year's BVPP)	Darlington 2002/03	Darlington 2003/04		Darlington 2004/05 Target	Lower Quartile	Median	Top Quartile	
1. Employment: Proportion of people of working age in employment.	74.6%	75.0%	74.1%	↓		73.8%	77.4%	81.0%	2002/03
2. Long-term unemployment: Proportion of people claiming unemployment benefit who have been doing so for more than a year:									2003/04
i) Male	20.5%	16.6%	13.8%	↑		20.6%	17.4%	12.5%	
ii) Female	12.3%	12.3%	12.3%	---		13.5%	10.9%	8.0%	
iii) Total	18.7%	15.6%	13.5%	↑		18.5%	15.6%	11.0%	
3. Unemployment among	77.9%	83.3%				80.5%	83.8%	87.7%	

i) Nov 01 Male	18.4%	10.2%				14.5%	10.9%	8.5%	
Female	14.2%	7.1%				13.3%	10.9%	8.1%	
Total	16.0%	17.3%				14.0%	11.0%	9.0%	
ii) Feb 02 Male	19.8%	10.3%				15.5%	11.2%	8.6%	
Female	15.1%	7.3%				13.6%	10.9%	8.2%	
Total	17.0%	17.1%				15.0%	11.0%	8.0%	
iii) May 02 Male	18.7%	7.4%				14.8%	10.8%	8.1%	
Female	15.5%	9.8%				13.6%	10.9%	8.2%	
Total	17.0%	17.3%				14.0%	11.0%	8.0%	
iv) Aug 02 Male	18.4%	9.9%				14.4%	10.5%	8.1%	
Female	15.6%	7.5%				13.5%	10.8%	8.0%	
Total	17.1%	17.3%				13.9%	10.7%	8.5%	
8. Children living in households with low incomes: Proportion of children under 16 who live in low income households (IMD2000):									
i) Lower quartile	15.0%	As 2001/02				0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	
ii) Upper quartile	52.1%	As 2001/02				0.5%	0.3%	0.2%	
9a. Qualifications at age 19: Proportion of 19 year olds with Level 2 qualifications (i.e. 5 GCSEs A*-C or NVQ equivalent):									
i) Male	707					767	1,193	2,555	
ii) Female	635					833	1,187	2,599	
iii) Total	1,342					1,612	2,366	5,124	

can afford to purchase the average first-time buyers property in the area:									
Average house price - semi-detached	£54,302	£63,670	£99,693	N/A		£106,506	£81,737	£65,843	
- terraced	£35,128	£41,602	£64,174	N/A		£94,974	£64,472	£53,092	
Average annual income - male	£18,679	£20,965	£22,038	N/A		£21,174	£23,180	£25,006	
-female	£14,739	£15,637	£17,694	N/A		£15,685	£17,076	£18,247	
House price/earnings ratio - male - semi-detached	2.9	3.0	4.5	↓		4.9	3.9	3.1	
- terraced	1.9	2.0	2.9	↓		4.4	3.2	2.4	
- female - semi-detached	3.7	4.1	5.6	↓		7.1	5.4	4.4	
- terraced	2.4	2.7	3.6	↓		6.1	4.4	3.5	
14. Unfit homes: Number of unfit homes per 1,000 dwellings.	47.6	47.9				69.0	49.8	32.0	
15a. Outside Safety – after dark: Percentage of residents surveyed who feel ‘fairly safe’ or ‘very safe’ after dark whilst outside in their local authority area	New	36.9%	51.8%	↑		New	New	New	
15b. Outside Safety – during the day: Percentage of residents surveyed who feel	New	88.9%	94.5%	↑		New	New	New	

respondents concerned with different types of noise in their area:									
i) Percentage who regard as a serious problem	22.7%	(31.5%)	(30.7%)	No data		15.5%	6.9%	4.1%	
a) Road traffic		10.6%	12.2%	---					
b) Aircraft		3.4%	3.3%	---					
c) Trains		0.8%	0.9%	---					
d) Noise from industrial/commercial premises		1.0%	1.0%	---					
e) Road works		1.1%	1.0%	---					
f) Construction or demolition		0.7%	0.7%	---					
g) Pubs, clubs and entertainment		1.9%	1.2%	---					
h) Neighbours		5.4%	6.1%	---					
i) Animals, e.g. dogs	New	2.5%	4.3%	---					
j) Other		11.0%	No data	No data					
ii) Percentage who regard as a problem but not serious	61.6%	(61.5%)	(90.9%)	No data		52.0%	22.2%	17.3%	
a) Road traffic		24.0%	21.8%	---					
b) Aircraft		16.0%	17.6%	---					

Number of childcare places per 1,000 population aged 0-5 not in early years education:									
i) Number of daycare places per 1,000 population of children not in early years education	316	387				117	191	263	
ii) Number of wrap-around childcare places	*375	357				63	241	112	
iii) Number of out of school hours childcare places per 1,000 population of children aged up to 14 (16 for SEN) in full-time education	159	133				34	60	98	
21. Facilities for young people (under development)	New	New				New	New	New	
22a. Access to key services: Percentage of respondents finding it easy to access the following local services:									2003/04
a) Local Shop	96%	94%	96%	---		86%	91%	92%	
b) Shopping centre/ supermarket	95%	88%	92%	↓		83%	85%	90%	
c) Post Office	96%	94%	92%	↓		88%	90%	93%	
d) GP/Doctor's Surgery	85%	76%	83%	---		81%	85%	87%	

e) Local hospital	85%	79%	81%	↓		53%	63%	69%	
f) Publicly accessible green space, e.g. park	91%	85%	88%	↓		81%	85%	88%	
g) Public transport facility, e.g. bus stop, train station	No data	No data	93%	No data		73%	77%	82%	
h) Recycling facility (L)	75%	60%	No data	No data		61%	73%	77%	
i) Sports/leisure centre	84%	71%	80%	↓		55%	66%	71%	
j) Bank/cashpoint	87%	85%	88%	---		69%	76%	82%	
k) Council/ neighbourhood office	82%	71%	73%	↓		56%	60%	67%	
l) Childcare facilities (L)	69%	24%	No data	No data		25%	47%	60%	
m) Chemist/pharmacy	No data	No data	92%	No data		76%	79%	85%	
n) Library	86%	81%	83%	↓		New	New	New	
o) Shop selling fresh fruit and vegetables	New	No data	90%	New		New	New	New	
p) Cultural/recreational facility, e.g. theatre/ cinema.	New	No data	84%	New		New	New	New	
22b. Access to key services: Percentage of residents defined as within a distance of 500m (15 minutes walk) of key local services.	New	No data	No data	No data		New	New	New	
23a. Influencing decisions: Percentage of people saying that they can influence	New	24.7%	23.6%	---		New	New	New	

decisions in their local area.									
23b. Influencing decisions: Percentage of people saying that by working together they can influence decisions in their local area.	New	53.9%	61.0%	↑		New	New	New	
24a. Voluntary/community organisations: Percentage of community organisations that performed very well or well over the past year	New	No data	No data			New	New	New	
24b. Voluntary/community organisations: Percentage of voluntary organisations that performed very well or well over the past year	New	No data	No data			New	New	New	
25. Community cohesion: Percentage of people who feel that their local area is a place where people from different backgrounds get on well together.	New	59.7%	64.1%	↑		New	New	New	
26a. Informal volunteering: Percentage of people who have done unpaid volunteer work for someone who is not a relative within the past year.	New	75.3%	56.4%	↓		New	New	New	
26b. Informal volunteering:	New	33.1%	26.7%	↓		New	New	New	

Percentage of people who have received unpaid volunteer work from someone who is not a relative within the past year.									
27a. Air pollution: Number of days per year when air pollution is moderate or higher for PM10	22	24	49	↓		Amended	Amended	Amended	2003
27b. Air pollution: Annual average nitrogen dioxide concentration.	Amended	35	37	↓		Amended	Amended	Amended	
27c. Air pollution: For rural sites, number of days per year when air pollution is moderate or higher for ozone.	Amended	No rural monitoring site	No rural monitoring site	No rural monitoring site		Amended	Amended	Amended	
28a. Climate change: CO2 emissions – residential sector (tonnes)	New	No data	No data			New	New	New	
28b. Climate change: CO2 emissions – commercial sector (tonnes)	New	No data	No data			New	New	New	
28c. Climate change: CO2 emissions – industrial sector (tonnes)	New	No data	No data			New	New	New	
28d. Climate change: CO2 emissions – transport sector (tonnes)	New	No data	No data			New	New	New	
28e. Climate change: CO2 emissions per capita (tonnes)	New	No data	No data			New	New	New	

29. River quality: Percentage of rivers and canals rated as good or fair quality grades of Environment Agency Chemical and Biological Quality Assessment (GQA):									
i) Biological	78.4%	90.9%	100.0%	↑		88.3%	99.0%	100.0%	
ii) Chemical	100.0%	88.9%	83.3%	↓		87.8%	98.5%	100.0%	
30. Energy use: Average energy use per household per annum for:									
i) Gas	34,281	32,971				21,178	19,744	17,351	
ii) Electricity	No data	No data				No data	No data	No data	
31. Water leakage: Water leakage rate from mains and customer pipes (mega litres per day)	164	161	153	↑		New	New	New	2002/03
32a. Waste recycling: Percentage of household waste recycled.	10.8%	11.8%	13.1%	↑		7.3%	9.5%	10.5%	2003/04
32b. Waste recycling: Percentage of household waste composted.	0.0%	0.7%	3.3%	↑		1.7%	2.9%	5.1%	
32c. Waste recycling: Percentage of household waste used to recover heat, power and other energy sources.	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	---		-	-	0.0%	

32d. Waste recycling: Percentage of household waste landfilled.	89.2%	88.2%	83.6%	↑		88.0%	87.0%	79.0%	
33a. Derelict land: The proportion of land stock that is derelict.	0.2%	0.2%				0.6%	0.1%	0.0%	
33b. Derelict land: Percentage of new housing development on previously developed land.	46%	60%	96%	↑		New	New	New	
34. Clean streets: The percentage of highways that are either of a high or acceptable level of cleanliness.	98.0%	99.5%	Amended	Amended		87.0%	93.1%	98.0%	
34. Cleanliness of relevant land and highways: The percentage of area below grade B/C.	Amended	Amended	28%	Amended					2003/04
35. Traffic volumes: Annual average vehicle flow per 1,000km of principal road.	83.8	88.0	92.1	↓		138.1	57.6	11.5	2003/04
36. Residents using different transport mode:									2003/04
36ai. Work – Car	New	74.3%	74.2%	---		New	New	New	
36aii. Work – Bus	New	10.2%	12.3%	---		New	New	New	
36aiii. Work – Cycle	New	5.5%	5.1%	---		New	New	New	

36aiv. Work – Walk	New	15.8%	17.6%	---		New	New	New	
36av. Work – Other	New	3.9%	4.3%	---		New	New	New	
36bi. Shopping - Car	New	71.9%	70.8%	---		New	New	New	
36nii. Shopping - Bus	New	23.3%	21.0%	---		New	New	New	
36biii. Shopping - Cycle	New	0.8%	1.9%	---		New	New	New	
36biv. Shopping - Walk	New	25.9%	22.8%	↓		New	New	New	
36bv. Shopping - Other	New	1.4%	2.2%	---		New	New	New	
36ci. Leisure - Car	New	73.0%	66.1%	↑		New	New	New	
36cii. Leisure - Bus	New	17.6%	16.9%	---		New	New	New	
36ciii. Leisure - Cycle	New	3.4%	4.1%	---		New	New	New	
36civ. Leisure - Walk	New	30.0%	25.6%	↓		New	New	New	
36cv. Leisure - Other	New	1.9%	3.2%	---		New	New	New	
36di. Education - Car (L)	No data	No data	56.0%	No data					
36dii. Education – Bus (L)	No data	No data	13.7%	No data					
36diii. Education - Cycle (L)	No data	No data	1.2%	No data					
36div. Education - Walk (L)	No data	No data	33.3%	No data					
36dv. Education - Other (L)	No data	No data	4.2%	No data					
36ei. Other - Car (L)	No data	No data	63.1%	No data					

36eii. Other - Bus (L)	No data	No data	26.8%	No data					
36eiii. Other - Cycle (L)	No data	No data	3.6%	No data					
36eiv. Other - Walk (L)	No data	No data	22.6%	No data					
36ev. Other - Other (L)	No data	No data	7.1%	No data					
36di. Average journey length (miles) - Car	New	4.6	4.3			New	New	New	
36dii. Average journey length (miles) - Bus	New	3.0	2.6			New	New	New	
36diii. Average journey length (miles) - Cycle	New	3.4	3.2			New	New	New	
36div. Average journey length (miles) - Walk	New	2.0	1.7			New	New	New	
36dv. Average journey length (miles) - Other	New	3.5	6.1			New	New	New	
37. Children travelling to school by different modes of transport:									2003/04
37ai. Primary School – Walk	Amended	69.8%	68.8%	---					
37aai. Primary School – Cycle	Amended	0.0%	0.4%	---					
37aiii. Primary School - School bus	Amended	1.2%	1.2%	---					
37aiv. Primary School - Other bus	Amended	1.6%	2.0%	---					
37av. Primary School - Train	Amended	0.0%	0.0%	---					
37avi. Primary School - Car	Amended	26.5%	26.7%	---					

37avi. Primary School – Motorcycle	Amended	0.0%	0.0%	---					
37avii. Primary School – Other	Amended	0.8%	0.8%	---					
37bi. Secondary School – Walk	Amended	52.2%	58.1%	↑					
37bii. Secondary School – Cycle	Amended	1.0%	0.0%	---					
37biii. Secondary School - School bus	Amended	20.6%	22.9%	---					
37biv. Secondary School - Other bus	Amended	12.9%	7.8%	↑					
37bv. Secondary School - Train	Amended	0.0%	0.0%	---					
37bvi. Secondary School – Car	Amended	12.9%	10.6%	---					
37bvi. Secondary School – Motorcycle	Amended	0.0%	0.0%	---					
37bvii. Secondary School – Other	Amended	0.0%	0.5%	---					
38. Biodiversity									
38ai. Number of SSSIs	4	4				2	7	40	
38aii. Area in hectare of SSSIs	9	9				59	333	3,797	
38b. Percentage of assessed area in favourable and unfavourable recovering condition	100.0%	100%				25.4%	60.2%	88.8%	
38c. Area of local nature reserve per 1,000 population	0.2	0.2	0.2	---		0	0	1	

