

## 2021 Census Data for Carmarthenshire – Economic Activity

The Office for National Statistics has used a new statistical disclosure control methodology for Census 2021. As a result, figures created by summing lower-level geographies will not match figures released for higher geographies. The Office for National Statistics does not recommend the aggregation of lower-level geographies to create higher geographies.

Economic Activity	Carmarthenshire				Wales				England & Wales			
	2011		2021		2011		2021		2011		2021	
<b>All usual residents aged 16-74</b>	<b>132,930</b>		<b>155,487</b>		<b>2,245,166</b>		<b>2,559,416</b>		<b>41,126,540</b>		<b>48,566,371</b>	
<b>Economically Active</b>												
Employee: Part-time	18,475	13.9%	18,146	11.7%	313,022	13.9%	302,900	11.8%	5,646,290	13.7%	5,778,651	11.9%
Employee: Full-time	44,839	33.7%	46,683	30.0%	799,348	35.6%	815,759	31.9%	15,815,912	38.5%	16,582,502	34.1%
Self-Employed	14,642	11.0%	15,098	9.7%	194,029	8.6%	209,086	8.2%	3,987,661	9.7%	4,599,115	9.5%
Unemployed	4,962	3.7%	3,335	2.1%	96,689	4.3%	63,634	2.5%	1,799,536	4.4%	1,376,363	2.8%
Full-time Student	3,299	2.5%	2,612	1.7%	73,647	3.3%	55,969	2.2%	1,410,470	3.4%	1,112,219	2.3%
<b>Economically Inactive</b>												
Retired	24,097	18.1%	43,170	27.8%	361,501	16.1%	631,659	24.7%	5,682,192	13.8%	10,513,713	21.6%
Student (including full-time student)	5,992	4.5%	6,422	4.1%	133,880	6.0%	145,181	5.7%	2,389,711	5.8%	2,740,634	5.6%
Looking after home or family	5,007	3.8%	6,296	4.0%	86,396	3.8%	109,604	4.3%	1,781,530	4.3%	2,317,340	4.8%
Long-term sick or disabled	9,055	6.8%	9,710	6.2%	140,760	6.3%	151,321	5.9%	1,714,894	4.2%	2,025,621	4.2%
Other	2,562	1.9%	4,015	2.6%	45,894	2.0%	74,303	2.9%	898,344	2.2%	1,520,213	3.1%

### Analysis:

- *In Carmarthenshire unemployment has dropped by 1.6 percentage points, this decline in unemployment can be seen across Wales and England as well. Suggesting Carmarthenshire is in line with employment trends nationally.*
- *43,170 (27.8%) people in the county have retired, an increase of 9.7 percentage points, a higher percentage point increase than in Wales (8.6) and England and Wales (7.8). The proportion of retired residents (27.8%) is now almost as high as the proportion in full-time employment 30%, this is not the case in Wales, or England and Wales, despite a substantial increase in the number retired.*
- *Carmarthenshire exhibits a higher-than-average level of those who are long-term sick or disabled. The county also has higher than average levels of self-employment.*

### *Definition:*

- *People aged 16 years and over are economically active if, between 15 March and 21 March 2021, they were: \* in employment (an employee or self-employed) \* unemployed, but looking for work and could start within two weeks \* unemployed, but waiting to start a job that had been offered and accepted*
- *It is a measure of whether or not a person was an active participant in the labour market during this period. Economically inactive are those aged 16 years and over who did not have a job between 15 March to 21 March 2021 and had not looked for work between 22 February to 21 March 2021 or could not start work within two weeks.*