



# Scotland's People Local Authority Tables

## Economic Activity

### Scottish Borders (2019) compared to Scotland (2019)

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**Table 5.1: Highest level of qualifications held by adults aged 16 and over by year, 2007-2019**

Column percentages, Adults

[Another breakdown of this table can be found at the Scottish Surveys Core Questions](#)

Scottish Borders

Education	2007/2008	2009/2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Degree, Professional Qualification	28	27	*	29	32	29	26	26	27	38	37
HNC/HND or equivalent	9	8	*	12	11	7	8	11	12	6	9
Higher, A level or equivalent	13	15	*	19	14	21	20	16	13	14	19
O Grade, Standard Grade or equivalent	19	20	*	19	18	21	22	22	23	19	14
Other qualification	6	7	*	4	5	4	5	3	2	8	6
No qualifications	25	23	*	17	19	17	19	21	19	14	15
Qualifications not known	1	1	*	0	0	0	1	0	4	1	1
All	100	100	*	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Base	530	540	*	240	250	250	220	230	220	230	240

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## Scotland

Education	2007/2008	2009/2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Degree, Professional Qualification	24	26	27	27	27	28	29	30	31	32	32
HNC/HND or equivalent	10	10	11	10	11	11	11	11	12	13	13
Higher, A level or equivalent	16	16	17	17	17	17	17	17	18	16	17
O Grade, Standard Grade or equivalent	20	20	20	19	19	22	20	20	19	19	17
Other qualification	6	6	5	4	5	4	4	4	4	5	5
No qualifications	23	22	20	21	20	18	17	17	16	15	15
Qualifications not known	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
All	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Base	24290	24980	12890	9890	9920	9800	9410	9640	9810	9700	9780

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**Table 5.2: Highest level of qualification held by gender and age of adults aged 16 and over**

**Column percentages, Adults**

**Scottish Borders, 2019**

Education	Man / Boy	Woman / Girl	Identified in another way	Refused	16-39	40-59	60 plus	All
Degree, Professional Qualification	34	39	-	-	*	48	36	36.898
HNC/HND or equivalent	12	7	-	-	*	14	4	9.302
Higher, A level or equivalent	17	20	-	-	*	11	12	18.511
O Grade, Standard Grade or equivalent	14	14	-	-	*	12	14	13.973
Other qualification	3	8	-	-	*	1	12	5.805
No qualifications	19	11	-	-	*	12	21	14.710
Qualifications not known	1	1	-	-	*	1	1	0.801
All	100	100	-	-	100	100	100	100.000
Base	120	120	-	-	50	80	110	240

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**Scotland, 2019**

Education	Man / Boy	Woman / Girl	Identified in another way	Refused	16-39	40-59	60 plus	All
Degree, Professional Qualification	31	33	*	*	34	37	25	32.033
HNC/HND or equivalent	13	12	*	*	15	14	8	12.805
Higher, A level or equivalent	17	16	*	*	23	14	12	16.723
O Grade, Standard Grade or equivalent	19	16	*	*	18	19	15	17.435
Other qualification	4	6	*	*	1	2	13	5.041
No qualifications	15	15	*	*	7	13	28	15.304
Qualifications not known	1	1	*	*	1	1	1	0.658
All	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100.000
Base	4360	5410	0	0	2710	3060	4010	9780

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**Table 5.3: Highest level of qualification held by adults aged 16-64 by net annual household income**

**Column percentages, Adults**

**Scottish Borders, 2019**

Education	Up to GBP 15,000	GBP 15,001 - GBP 30,000	Over GBP 30,000	All
Degree, Professional Qualification	*	*	53	37.287
HNC/HND or equivalent	*	*	14	12.922
Higher, A level or equivalent	*	*	20	19.165
O Grade, Standard Grade or equivalent	*	*	6	14.769
Other qualification	*	*	-	2.748
No qualifications	*	*	8	12.476
Qualifications not known	*	*	-	0.633
All	100	100	100	100.000
Base	20	50	60	130

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**Scotland, 2019**

Education	Up to GBP 15,000	GBP 15,001 - GBP 30,000	Over GBP 30,000	All
Degree, Professional Qualification	21	25	45	35.115
HNC/HND or equivalent	12	15	15	14.666
Higher, A level or equivalent	19	17	19	18.348
O Grade, Standard Grade or equivalent	22	25	15	18.860
Other qualification	5	2	1	1.969
No qualifications	22	15	5	10.420
Qualifications not known	0	1	0	0.623
All	100	100	100	100.000
Base	1170	2140	3050	6360

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**Table 5.4: Current economic situation of adults aged 16 and over**

**Column percentages, Adults**

**Scottish Borders, 2019**

Economic status	Man / Boy	Woman / Girl	Identified in another way	Refused	All
Self employed	15	7	-	-	11.126
Employed full time	33	30	-	-	31.397
Employed part time	9	19	-	-	14.441
Looking after the home or family	-	4	-	-	2.247
Permanently retired from work	29	32	-	-	30.477
Unemployed and seeking work	3	3	-	-	2.909
At school	2	-	-	-	0.794
Higher/Further education	2	3	-	-	2.270
Government work or training scheme	-	-	-	-	-
Permanently sick or disabled	5	1	-	-	2.872
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	2	1	-	-	1.468
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
All	100	100	-	-	100.000
Base	120	120	-	-	240

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## Scotland, 2019

Economic status	Man / Boy	Woman / Girl	Identified in another way	Refused	All
Self employed	9	4	*	*	6.838
Employed full time	46	31	*	*	38.490
Employed part time	4	17	*	*	11.038
Looking after the home or family	1	7	*	*	4.183
Permanently retired from work	22	26	*	*	24.429
Unemployed and seeking work	4	2	*	*	3.205
At school	1	1	*	*	1.223
Higher/Further education	5	5	*	*	4.945
Government work or training scheme	0	0	*	*	0.064
Permanently sick or disabled	5	4	*	*	4.409
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	1	1	*	*	0.754
Other	0	0	*	*	0.413
Refused	0	-	*	*	0.007
All	100	100	100	100	100.000
Base	4360	5410	0	0	9780

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**Table 5.5: Adults aged 16 and over in work over time, 1999-2019**

Column percentages, Adults

**Scottish Borders**

	1999/2000	2001/2002	2003/2004	2005/2006	2007/2008	2009/2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Men in work	66	66	61	64	62	63	*	68	62	60	57	54	54	54	58
Base - Men in work	260	270	270	210	220	260	*	100	110	110	100	100	120	120	120
Women in work	46	48	49	52	52	50	*	57	50	50	47	48	50	57	56
Base - Women in work	320	340	370	390	310	280	*	140	140	140	110	130	100	120	120
Identified in another way in work	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Base - Identified in another way in work	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**Scotland**

	1999/2000	2001/2002	2003/2004	2005/2006	2007/2008	2009/2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Men in work	60	59	60	61	61	58	59	58	58	59	60	59	60	59	60
Base - Men in work	12140	12170	12240	12070	10600	10930	5560	4410	4450	4440	4240	4400	4540	4320	4360
Women in work	45	47	48	48	48	49	49	49	49	50	50	49	51	51	53
Base - Women in work	16200	16510	16500	16200	14010	14060	7330	5490	5470	5360	5160	5240	5270	5380	5410
Identified in another way in work	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*
Base - Identified in another way in work	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0

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**Table 5.6: Current economic situation of adults aged 16-64 over time, 1999-2019**

Column percentages, Adults

**Scottish Borders**

Economic status	1999/2000	2001/2002	2003/2004	2005/2006	2007/2008	2009/2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Self employed	7	8	9	7	9	14	*	10	16	13	14	15	8	9	15
Employed full time	47	46	48	50	47	45	*	48	36	45	41	40	42	41	44
Employed part time	18	17	14	16	16	13	*	21	20	12	14	11	20	25	19
Looking after the home or family	9	7	9	5	6	7	*	7	6	2	8	6	6	4	3
Permanently retired from work	7	8	8	6	8	7	*	5	8	7	5	9	8	4	5
Unemployed and seeking work	4	2	2	4	3	4	*	3	4	6	9	5	3	4	4
At school	2	4	3	3	2	3	*	-	1	8	2	4	5	3	1
Higher/Further education	3	3	4	2	5	4	*	2	3	1	2	6	1	2	3
Government work or training scheme	0	0	-	-	0	-	*	0	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Permanently sick or disabled	2	2	3	5	4	3	*	4	4	4	4	3	4	7	3
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	1	2	0	1	2	0	*	0	1	1	0	-	0	1	2
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All	100	100	100	100	100	100	*	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Base	400	430	460	380	370	350	*	160	160	160	130	130	130	140	140

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## Scotland

Economic status	1999/2000	2001/2002	2003/2004	2005/2006	2007/2008	2009/2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Self employed	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	8	8	8	8
Employed full time	46	47	48	48	47	45	46	45	47	48	48	48	49	49	49
Employed part time	12	12	13	13	12	13	13	13	12	13	13	12	13	13	13
Looking after the home or family	9	9	8	8	7	6	6	6	7	6	7	7	6	6	5
Permanently retired from work	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	4	5
Unemployed and seeking work	6	5	5	5	4	7	6	7	6	6	5	4	4	5	4
At school	2	2	2	2	3	2	3	3	3	3	2	3	2	2	2
Higher/Further education	5	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	6	7	7	8	7	7	6
Government work or training scheme	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Permanently sick or disabled	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	5
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
All	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Base	20990	20920	20900	20470	17650	17950	9220	7040	7100	6950	6590	6680	6610	6600	6590

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**Table 5.7: Current economic situation of adults aged 16-64 by gender**

**Column percentages, Adults**

**Scottish Borders, 2019**

Economic status	Man / Boy	Woman / Girl	Identified in another way	Refused	All
Self employed	20	10	-	-	15.153
Employed full time	46	43	-	-	44.069
Employed part time	12	27	-	-	19.322
Looking after the home or family	-	6	-	-	3.173
Permanently retired from work	5	5	-	-	5.026
Unemployed and seeking work	5	4	-	-	4.109
At school	2	-	-	-	1.121
Higher/Further education	2	4	-	-	3.207
Government work or training scheme	-	-	-	-	-
Permanently sick or disabled	6	1	-	-	3.261
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	2	1	-	-	1.558
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
All	100	100	-	-	100.000
Base	70	60	-	-	140

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## Scotland, 2019

Economic status	Man / Boy	Woman / Girl	Identified in another way	Refused	All
Self employed	11	6	*	-	8.180
Employed full time	58	41	*	-	49.234
Employed part time	5	22	*	-	13.278
Looking after the home or family	1	9	*	-	5.347
Permanently retired from work	4	6	*	-	4.903
Unemployed and seeking work	6	3	*	-	4.140
At school	2	2	*	-	1.583
Higher/Further education	6	7	*	-	6.398
Government work or training scheme	0	0	*	-	0.082
Permanently sick or disabled	6	5	*	-	5.344
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	1	1	*	-	0.966
Other	0	1	*	-	0.535
Refused	0	-	*	-	0.009
All	100	100	100	-	100.000
Base	3020	3570	0	-	6590

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**Table 5.8: Current economic situation of adults aged 16-64 by highest level of qualification**

Column percentages, Adults

Scottish Borders, 2019

Economic status	Degree/professional qualification	Higher/A level/O Grade/Standard Grade	Other qualification	No qualifications	Qualifications not known	All
Self employed	18	*	*	*	*	15.153
Employed full time	52	*	*	*	*	44.069
Employed part time	17	*	*	*	*	19.322
Looking after the home or family	1	*	*	*	*	3.173
Permanently retired from work	9	*	*	*	*	5.026
Unemployed and seeking work	1	*	*	*	*	4.109
At school	-	*	*	*	*	1.121
Higher/Further education	-	*	*	*	*	3.207
Government work or training scheme	-	*	*	*	*	-
Permanently sick or disabled	0	*	*	*	*	3.261
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	2	*	*	*	*	1.558
Other	-	*	*	*	*	-
Refused	-	*	*	*	*	-
All	100	100	100	100	100	100.000
Base	70	50	0	20	0	140

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## Scotland, 2019

Economic status	Degree/professional qualification	Higher/A level/O Grade/Standard Grade	Other qualification	No qualifications	Qualifications not known	All
Self employed	9	8	4	5	*	8.180
Employed full time	58	43	42	30	*	49.234
Employed part time	13	14	11	11	*	13.278
Looking after the home or family	4	5	8	12	*	5.347
Permanently retired from work	5	4	8	4	*	4.903
Unemployed and seeking work	2	5	6	10	*	4.140
At school	0	3	-	3	*	1.583
Higher/Further education	6	9	6	1	*	6.398
Government work or training scheme	0	0	-	0	*	0.082
Permanently sick or disabled	2	5	13	21	*	5.344
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	0	1	2	3	*	0.966
Other	0	1	-	1	*	0.535
Refused	-	-	-	0	*	0.009
All	100	100	100	100	100	100.000
Base	3200	2470	150	740	40	6590

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**Table 5.9: Current economic situation of adults aged 16-64 by limiting long-term physical or mental health condition**

Column percentages, Adults

**Scottish Borders, 2019**

Economic status		Has a limiting long-term condition (All)	No limiting long-term condition (All)	All (All)	Has a limiting long-term condition (Excluding 'Permanently sick or disabled')	No limiting long-term condition (Excluding 'Permanently sick or disabled')	All (Excluding 'Permanently sick or disabled')
Self employed	*	17	15	*	17	16	
Employed full time	*	45	44	*	45	46	
Employed part time	*	21	19	*	21	20	
Looking after the home or family	*	3	3	*	3	3	
Permanently retired from work	*	6	5	*	6	5	
Unemployed and seeking work	*	3	4	*	3	4	
At school	*	1	1	*	1	1	
Higher/Further education	*	4	3	*	4	3	
Government work or training scheme	*	-	-	*	-	-	
Permanently sick or disabled	*	-	3	*	-	-	
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	*	-	2	*	-	2	
Other	*	-	-	*	-	-	
Refused	*	-	-	*	-	-	
All	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Base	20	110	140	10	110	130	

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**Scotland, 2019**

Economic status		Has a limiting long-term condition (All)	No limiting long-term condition (All)	All (All)	Has a limiting long-term condition (Excluding 'Permanently sick or disabled')	No limiting long-term condition (Excluding 'Permanently sick or disabled')	All (Excluding 'Permanently sick or disabled')
Self employed	5	9	8	7	9	9	
Employed full time	27	54	49	37	55	52	
Employed part time	9	14	13	13	14	14	
Looking after the home or family	6	5	5	8	5	6	
Permanently retired from work	7	4	5	10	4	5	
Unemployed and seeking work	8	3	4	10	3	4	
At school	1	2	2	1	2	2	
Higher/Further education	5	7	6	6	7	7	
Government work or training scheme	-	0	0	-	0	0	
Permanently sick or disabled	27	0	5	-	-	-	
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	5	0	1	6	0	1	
Other	0	1	1	1	1	1	
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	
All	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Base	1420	5150	6570	980	5130	6100	

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**Table 5.10: Number of adults aged 16 or over in paid employment by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation**

Column percentages, Households

**Scottish Borders, 2019**

Adults aged 16 to 64	1 - 20% most deprived	2	3	4	5 - 20% least deprived	All
None	*	*	37	42	*	41.721
One	*	*	24	30	*	26.535
Two or more	*	*	39	27	*	31.743
All	100	100	100	100	100	100.000
Base	10	50	110	80	20	270

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**Scotland, 2019**

Adults aged 16 to 64	1 - 20% most deprived	2	3	4	5 - 20% least deprived	All
None	44	38	39	33	33	37.683
One	30	29	28	27	25	27.796
Two or more	25	33	33	40	42	34.521
All	100	100	100	100	100	100.000
Base	1990	2140	2310	2220	1920	10580

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**Table 5.11: Current economic situation of women aged 16-64 by the presence of children in the household**

Column percentages, Adults

Scottish Borders, 2019

Economic status	Have children	No children	All
Self employed	*	*	10.317
Employed full time	*	*	42.675
Employed part time	*	*	26.661
Looking after the home or family	*	*	6.204
Permanently retired from work	*	*	5.005
Unemployed and seeking work	*	*	3.649
At school	*	*	-
Higher/Further education	*	*	4.077
Government work or training scheme	*	*	-
Permanently sick or disabled	*	*	0.578
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	*	*	0.834
Other	*	*	-
Refused	*	*	-
All	100	100	100.000
Base	20	40	60

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## Scotland, 2019

Economic status	Have children	No children	All
Self employed	7	5	5.525
Employed full time	30	47	40.675
Employed part time	31	16	21.596
Looking after the home or family	17	4	9.220
Permanently retired from work	0	9	5.525
Unemployed and seeking work	3	3	2.692
At school	2	1	1.521
Higher/Further education	4	8	6.398
Government work or training scheme	-	0	0.016
Permanently sick or disabled	3	6	5.236
Unable to work due to short term ill-health	1	1	0.993
Other	1	0	0.603
Refused	-	-	-
All	100	100	100.000
Base	1340	2230	3570

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