Bath and North East Somerset is **one of the least deprived authorities** in the country.

It ranks 247 out of 326 English authorities (an improvement of 16 places since 2010) and 139 out of 153 upper tier authorities (where 1 is lowest). 25% of small areas in B&NES are within the 10% least deprived areas nationally.

Despite these relatively low levels of deprivation overall, pockets of high deprivation remain within the area.

One area is within the most deprived 10% of the country:
- Twerton West (which entered this classification for the first time)

Four further areas are within the most deprived 20% of the country:
- Whiteway
- Twerton
- Fox Hill North
- Whiteway West

For the Children and Young People subdomain of the Education Skills and training component of the IMD, Whiteway is within the bottom 1% in the country and deprivation has worsened amongst all these areas across nearly all the domains.

Over time, the number of small areas in the least deprived 30% of the country has increased significantly.

However, the number of small areas in the most deprived 30% has also increased.
The indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) are a long standing method used by the government to develop a single understanding of deprivation at a local level by allowing a relative comparison of small areas in England. Deprivation in these terms is used to cover a wide range of issues and looks at unmet needs across a number of issues (or “domains”).


Get raw IMD data and background information [directly from the government](http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/jsna).

The Bath:Hacked open data community have built a [colourful interactive view of the data](http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/jsna):

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