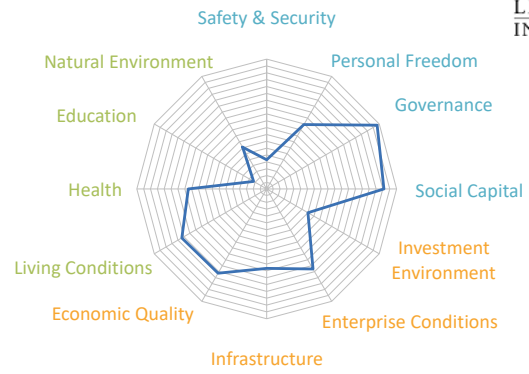
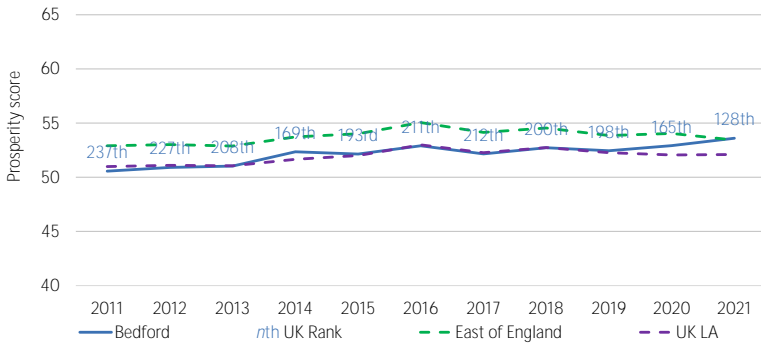


# Bedford: Prosperity score 53.6 (128th)
















































































## Prosperity over time



## Breakdown of performance

	2011	Score 10-year trend	2021	Rank - UK LA (1 to 379) 2021	10-year rank change	Rank - East of England (1 to 45) 2021
<b>Prosperity score</b>	50.6		53.6	128	▲ 109	23
<b>Inclusive Societies</b>	56.4		57.9	89	▲ 100	14
Safety & Security	58.6		57.0	295	▲ 7	39
Personal Freedom	58.7		59.5	163	▲ 10	15
Governance	58.0		63.1	8	▲ 49	1
Social Capital	50.4		52.1	38	▲ 142	17
<b>Open Economies</b>	41.6		48.3	160	▲ 146	23
Investment Environment	30.4		38.0	241	▲ 138	37
Enterprise Conditions	38.6		44.6	110	▲ 253	7
Infrastructure	46.3		58.3	148	▼ 5	23
Economic Quality	51.2		52.2	96	▲ 4	16
<b>Empowered People</b>	53.7		54.6	217	▼ 59	32
Living Conditions	65.9		65.6	94	▼ 3	26
Health	57.8		50.3	151	▲ 13	28
Education	45.8		49.0	336	▼ 67	38
Natural Environment	45.3		53.5	239	▼ 27	19

Pillar		2011 Prosperity score 10-yr trend 2021		2021 UK LA Rank 10-yr rank change		East of England Rank 2021		Pillar		2011 Prosperity score 10-yr trend 2021		2021 UK LA Rank 10-yr rank change		East of England Rank 2021	
	<b>Safety &amp; Security</b>	58.6		57.0	295	▲ 7	39		<b>Personal Freedom</b>	58.7		59.5	163	▲ 10	15
Violent Crime	50%	59.3		51.1	296	▲ 13	41	Social Tolerance	60%	50.5		52.4	163	▲ 10	15
Property Crime	30%	51.7		49.0	267	▼ 12	27	Agency	10%	71.0		71.7	1	-	1
Civil Disorder	15%	56.1		58.4	315	▲ 14	42	Freedom of Assembly and Association	10%	78.9		80.9	1	-	1
Terrorism	5%	100.0		100.0	1	-	1	Freedom of Speech and Access to Information	10%	78.4		72.6	1	-	1
								Absence of Legal Discrimination	10%	55.4		55.1	1	-	1
	<b>Governance</b>	58.0		63.1	8	▲ 49	1		<b>Social Capital</b>	50.4		52.1	38	▲ 142	17
Quality of Local Democracy	35%	54.5		58.3	22	▲ 50	1	Personal Support	10%	44.3		67.5	12	▲ 200	1
Government Integrity	30%	67.4		67.4	26	-	1	Family Relationships	30%	56.0		63.0	27	▲ 162	22
Government Effectiveness	35%	53.3		64.3	220	▲ 42	38	Social Networks	15%	49.1		39.8	160	▲ 56	19
								Institutional Trust	20%	44.2		38.8	212	▼ 100	15
								Civic and Social Participation	25%	51.7		51.0	175	▼ 47	18
	<b>Investment Environment</b>	30.4		38.0	241	▲ 138	37		<b>Enterprise Conditions</b>	38.6		44.6	110	▲ 253	7
Financing Services	20%	34.7		28.5	323	▲ 32	45	Domestic Market Contestability	30%	48.4		54.2	125	▲ 30	16
Investment Demand	30%	15.6		39.9	125	▲ 242	14	Business Environment	40%	42.5		32.4	297	▲ 2	28
Capital Supply	50%	37.5		40.6	287	▼ 2	43	Labour Market Flexibility	30%	23.5		51.2	44	▲ 332	1
	<b>Infrastructure</b>	46.3		58.3	148	▼ 5	23		<b>Economic Quality</b>	51.2		52.2	96	▲ 4	16
Communications	40%	39.3		68.0	43	▲ 56	8	Labour Force Engagement	20%	51.4		61.6	84	▲ 91	11
Electricity & Gas	10%	62.1		53.0	230	▲ 8	22	Dynamism	20%	33.5		37.2	33	▲ 83	7
Water	5%	69.6		67.6	48	▼ 21	3	Productivity and Competitiveness	30%	54.8		54.7	237	▼ 108	37
Transport	45%	46.4		49.9	198	▲ 33	26	Fiscal Sustainability	20%	51.9		39.4	156	▼ 93	24
								Macroeconomic Stability	10%	73.7		81.6	10	▲ 70	4
	<b>Living Conditions</b>	65.9		65.6	94	▼ 3	26		<b>Health</b>	57.8		50.3	151	▲ 13	28
Material Resources	30%	73.3		70.1	146	▼ 23	32	Behavioural and Physiological Risk Factors	15%	58.5		60.9	113	▲ 13	22
Shelter	25%	61.5		63.3	230	▼ 8	34	Preventative Interventions	15%	63.2		64.3	264	▼ 23	35
Digital Connectedness	15%	69.1		72.8	87	▲ 1	10	Care Systems	15%	70.4		33.7	257	▼ 241	16
Access to Local Amenities	15%	60.3		56.1	163	▼ 25	18	Mental Health	15%	58.0		42.3	266	▲ 34	40
Protection from Harm	15%	60.5		62.8	147	▲ 34	24	Physical Health	20%	60.4		43.5	133	▼ 30	23
								Longevity	20%	41.2		57.2	140	▲ 152	24
	<b>Education</b>	45.8		49.0	336	▼ 67	38		<b>Natural Environment</b>	45.3		53.5	239	▼ 27	19
Pre-primary education	10%	80.3		43.4	372	▼ 296	44	Emissions	30%	45.0		64.7	12	▲ 83	1
Primary education	30%	57.5		34.7	377	▼ 108	45	Exposure to Air Pollution	25%	37.0		47.2	296	▼ 20	16
Secondary education	30%	27.0		60.0	258	▲ 88	38	Forest, Land and Soil	20%	42.3		40.2	209	▼ 25	22
Tertiary education provision	10%	47.6		45.6	193	▼ 26	23	Flooding and Water Management	10%	76.8		76.8	111	▼ 1	18
Adult skills	20%	38.2		58.6	197	▲ 1	20	Waste Management	15%	43.1		43.9	289	▼ 100	41

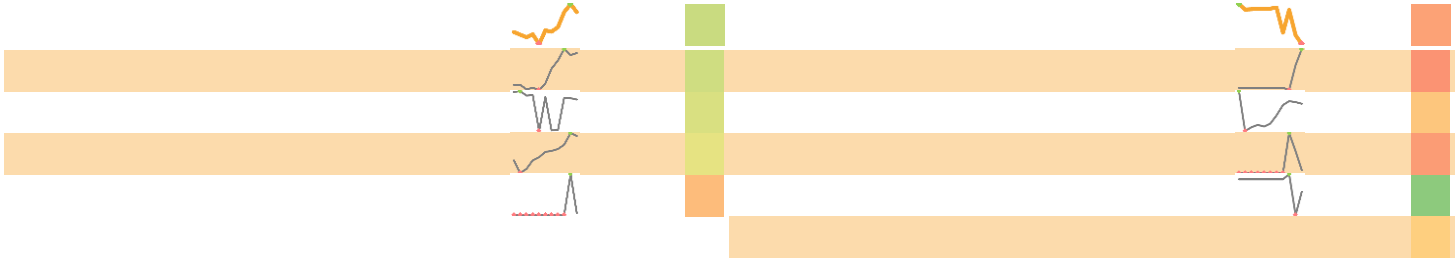
















Communications (43rd)						Electricity & Gas (230th)										
Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	UK LA Rank 2011	2021	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	UK LA Rank 2011	2021	
		<b>40%</b>	39.3		68.0	99	43			<b>10%</b>	62.1		53.0	238	230	
Download speed	OFC Mbps	1.0	7.1		89.6	194	61	Properties not connected to gas network	BEIS percentage	1.0	15.8		14.2	250	230	
Upload speed	OFC Mbps	0.5	3.3		16.0	136	28	Annual electricity cost	BEIS £ / year	0.5	499.3		611.4	1	12	
Superfast broadband availability	OFC percentage	1.0	80.0		96.9	99	135	Annual gas cost	BEIS £ / year	0.5	609.7		582.7	44	44	
<b>Water (48th)</b>						<b>Transport (198th)</b>										
		<b>5%</b>	69.6		67.6	27	48			<b>45%</b>	46.4		49.9	231	198	
Water leakage	DW, NIW SWater	litres / property	1.0	83.0		86.0	23	34	Principal road condition	DfT percentage	0.5	3.0		1.0	44	3
Water costs	DW, NIW SWater	£	1.0	191.0		196.0	174	179	Non-principal road condition	DfT percentage	0.5	5.0		2.0	103	13
Loss of water supply	DW	seconds / property	1.0	191.0		192.0	135	140	Journey delay	DfT seconds / vehicle mile	0.5	41.1		42.1	279	280
									Urban congestion	INRIX hours / year	0.5	38.5		36.0	135	106
									Connectedness index	ORS number / national average	1.5	0.3		0.3	310	310
									Passengers using rail stations	DfT, NIDI passenger journeys per capita	1.0	10.5		12.5	140	145
									Proximity to nearest major rail station	DfT minutes	0.5	85.1		85.1	326	326
									Proximity to nearest airport	DfT minutes	0.5	73.2		73.2	67	67
									Electric car charging	DfT number / 100,000 population	0.5	22.1		26.0	167	179











Source Code	Source Name
BEIS	Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy
BES	British Election Study
BVA	BVA Group
BVCA	British Venture Capital Association
CS: NIDO: g.s	Crime Survey: Northern Ireland Department of Justice: Scottish Government
DEFRA	Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs
DFE: g.s: SW	Department for Education: Scottish Government: Statistics for Wales
DW	Discover Water
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DfE	Department for Education
DfT	Department for Transport
DfT: NISRA: g.s: SW	Department for Transport: Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency: Scottish Government: Statistics for Wales
EA	Environment Agency
EC: EONI	Electoral Commission: Electoral Office for Northern Ireland
EEA	European Environment Agency
FCA	Financial Conduct Authority
FH	Freedom House
FR	Forest Research
GSI	Global Slavery Index
GTD	Global Terrorism Database
Gallup	Gallup Dailies
HCL	House of Commons Library
HMRC	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs
HOFF	Home Office
HSE	Health and Safety Executive
INRIX	INRIX Global Traffic Scorecard
IPO	Intellectual Property Office
Kell	Kellogg's
LG: RQIA: SW	Local Government Association: The Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority: Statistics for Wales
LGA	Local Government Association
LGA: g.s: g.w	Local Government Association: Scottish Government: Welsh Government
MHCLG	Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government
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OCd	Open Council Data
OfCOM	Ofcom
ONS	Office for National Statistics
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ORS	Open Route Service
PHE	Public Health England
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PRC	Pew Research Center
PWLB	Public Works Loans Board
RF	Resolution Foundation
RSF	Reporters Without Borders
SE	Sport England
SMC	Social Metrics Commission
TEC: NIE	The Elections Centre: Northern Ireland Elections
UKF	UK Finance
US	Understanding Society
VDEM	Varieties of Democracy
WJP	World Justice Project (Rule of Law Index)
gov.uk: DoE: SW	gov.uk: Department of Education (Northern Ireland): Statistics for Wales
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