

# Map – Distribution of Muslim Communities in the UK

**1 Wales Cardiff**

6Areas: Mainly Cardiff, with largest community in Tiger Bay  
 Schools: 1  
 Mosques: 11  
 Political representation: 1 councillor (Rhondda)

**2 Birmingham**

Background: Pakistan and Kashmir. The world's biggest expatriate Kashmiri population is in Birmingham.  
 Areas: Mainly Pakistani: Sparkbrook, Highgate.  
 Mixed: Small Heath, Aston, Bordesley Green  
 Schools: 11. St Saviours School in Saltley boasts the highest percentage of Muslim pupils of any Church School in the country  
 Mosques: 108  
 Political representation: The People's Justice Party (justice for Kashmir) has 4 councillors: Ali Khan, Khalid Mahmood, Mohammed Nazam. There are 9 other Muslim councillors  
 MP: Khalid Mahmood, Labour, Birmingham Perry Barr (England's first Muslim MP)

**3 Northern Ireland**

Background: Pakistan, Bangladesh, Arab  
 Areas: Belfast (Pakistani, Bangladeshi, Arab); Craigavon, (Pakistani, Arab); North Down (Bangladeshi); the Ards peninsula (Bangladeshi)  
 Schools: none  
 Mosques: 20  
 Main mosque: Belfast Wellington Park  
 Political representation: none

**4 Scotland Glasgow Edinburgh**

Background: Arab, Pakistan, Turkey, Africa, Malaysia and India  
 Areas: 33,000 Muslims in the Glasgow area, half of Scotland's Islamic population.  
 Edinburgh has 15,000 Muslims living in the city of which 10,000 are Pakistani.  
 Schools: 1  
 Mosques: 20  
 Main mosque: Central Mosque of Glasgow  
 Political representation: 4 Muslim councillors in Glasgow. Bashir Mann, Hanzala Malik, Mohammed Shoib, Shaoukat Butt MBE  
 MP: Mohammed Sarwar, Labour, Glasgow Govan, was the UK's first Muslim MP

**5 Oldham**

Background: Predominantly Pakistan and Bangladeshi  
 Areas: Glodwick, Werneth and Westwood  
 Schools: Five Bangla schools. 20% of schoolchildren in Oldham are from an ethnic minority background. Predicted to rise to 30% by 2011.  
 Mosques: 16  
 Politicians: Mayor Riaz Ahmed is a Muslim;  
 7 councillors

**6 Bradford**

Background: Predominately from Pakistan Kashmir and Bangladesh  
 Where: Manningham, Bradford Moor, Little Horton  
 Schools: 2 listed in Muslim directory  
 Mosques: 54 in Bradford area (includes Skipton, Keighley, North Yorkshire). Approximately 100,000 Muslims attend weekly prayers in Bradford  
 Political representation: 12 councillors

**7 Leeds**

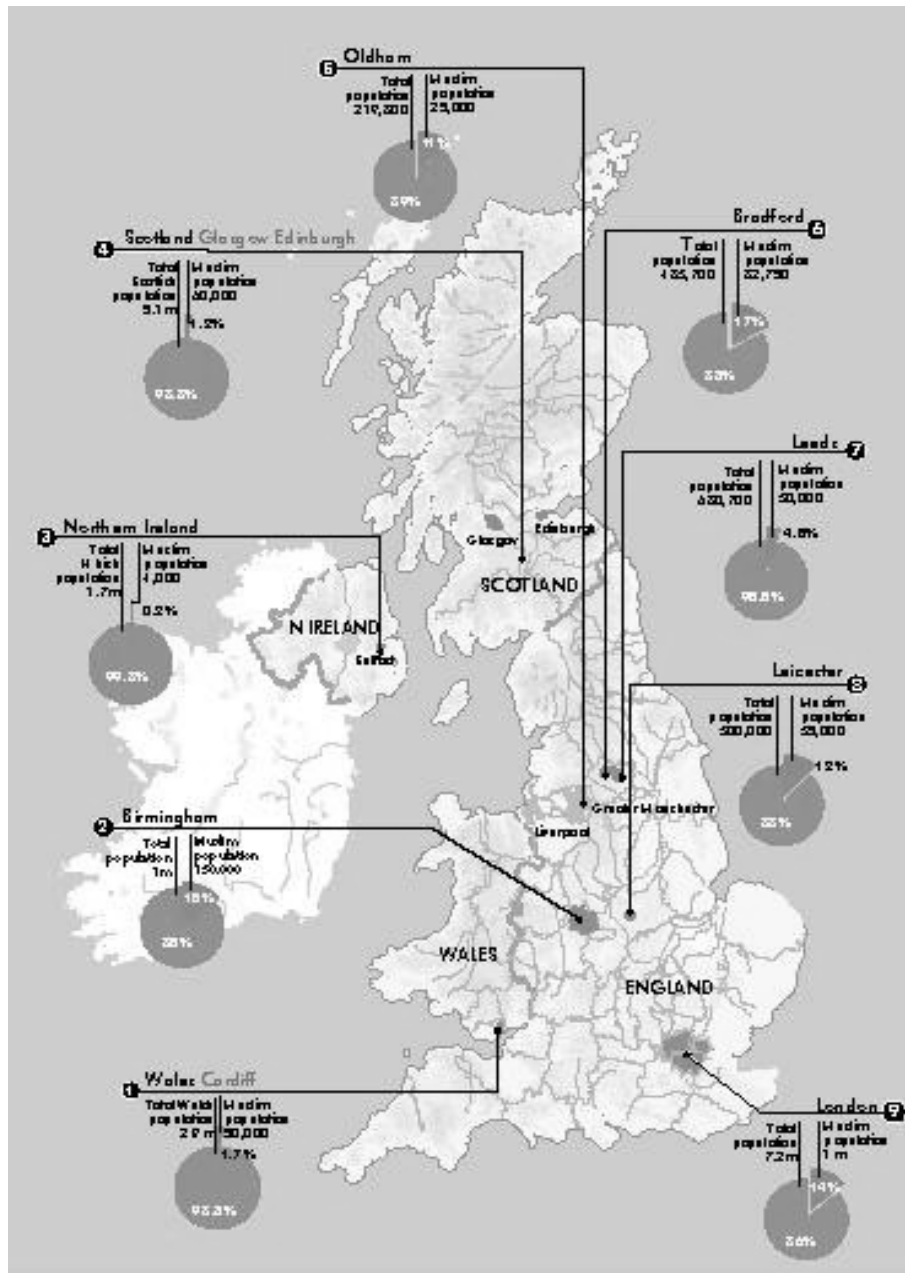
Background: Mainly from Pakistan, India, and Bangladesh. The Arab community is about 1,000 plus many small communities from Bosnia, Kosova and other countries of origin.  
 Areas: Chapel Allerton, City & Holbeck, Harehills, Headingley  
 Schools: 1 listed in Muslim directory  
 Mosques: 21  
 Political representation: 1 councillor

**8 Leicester**

Background: Pakistan, Bengal, Somalia  
 Areas: Highfields, Spinney Hill  
 Schools: 8  
 Mosques: 19  
 Political representation: 4 councillors  
 London

**9 London**

Background: The most diverse Muslim community in Britain. Almost 250,000 Muslim Londoners are of Pakistani or Bangladeshi origin, and a further 150,000 of Turkish. Other communities hail from Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states, north Africa, Cyprus, Somalia and Nigeria.  
 Areas: Pockets all over the capital. High concentration in east London. 123,000 people of Bangladeshi descent in Tower Hamlets, accounting for 60% of the population in Spitalfields ward and over 30% of four other wards. Projections suggest the 2001 census show non-white majorities in Newham and Brent  
 Schools: 20  
 Mosques: 165 (estimated)



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