

Top 20 Most Visited English Cities & Towns in 2008 by UK Residents

Top 20 - Total Trips 1+ Nights (000s)				Top 20- Holidays +1 Nights (000s)				Top 20-Business Trips +1 Nights (000s)						
		2008	2007	% Change			2008	2007	% Change			2008	2007	% Change
1	London	11,315	10,144	12	1	London	6,045	5,047	20	1	London	2,777	2,600	7
2	Manchester	2,501	2,330	7	2	Manchester	1,311	1,605	-18	2	Birmingham	897	827	8
3	Birmingham	2,374	2,293	4	3	Scarborough	1,278	1,365	-6	3	Manchester	736	893	-18
4	Bristol	1,469	1,553	-5	4	Blackpool	1,206	1,605	-25	4	Leeds	460	367	25
5	Leeds	1,464	1,403	4	5	Birmingham	980	973	1	5	Bristol	405	377	7
6	Blackpool	1,382	1,873	-26	6	York	856	767	12	6	Newcastle upon Tyne	379	411	-8
7	York	1,344	1,191	13	7	Skegness	802	743	8	7	Glasgow	355	522	-32
8	Scarborough	1,341	1,488	-10	8	Leeds	780	634	23	8	York	227	213	7
9	Newcastle upon Tyne	1,336	1,094	22	9	Isle of Wight	745	920	-19	9	Norwich	186	208	-11
10	Liverpool	1,088	851	28	10	Newcastle upon Tyne	700	546	28	10	Nottingham	175	215	-19
11	Brighton and Hove	1,014	975	4	11	Bournemouth	652	773	-16	11	Brighton and Hove	158	222	-29
12	Bournemouth	959	1,059	-9	12	Liverpool	637	432	47	12	Sheffield	158	173	-9
13	Sheffield	944	1,137	-17	13	Newquay	621	597	4	13	Coventry	156	282	-45
14	Isle of Wight	884	1,052	-16	14	Bristol	620	744	-17	14	Cambridge	151	75	101
15	Nottingham	827	858	-4	15	Brighton and Hove	620	555	12	15	Exeter	150	101	49
16	Norwich	816	830	-2	16	Great Yarmouth	614	674	-9	16	Southampton	142	155	-8
17	Skegness	808	800	1	17	Nottingham	497	422	18	17	Liverpool	138	166	-17
18	Newquay	749	734	2	18	Norwich	493	494	0	18	Crawley	135	47	187
19	Southampton	740	871	-15	19	Sheffield	443	318	39	19	Chester	124	85	46
20	Exeter	695	500	39	20	Weymouth	427	474	-10	20	Plymouth	114	175	-35

Source: United Kingdom Tourism Survey

Please note that the United Kingdom Tourism Survey is designed as a national and regional survey and is therefore only robust at this level. All data in this table should be used with caution as sample sizes can be low.

By way of context, the volume of all overnight trips to England by UK residents fell -2% in 2008 compared with 2007. Those taken for a holiday also fell -2% whilst those for business fell -3%.