

# Patterns of immigration, dispersal and minorities in Britain

Distinguishing immigrant settlement areas  
from ethnically diverse residential areas

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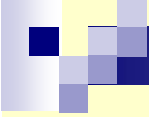
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# Questions

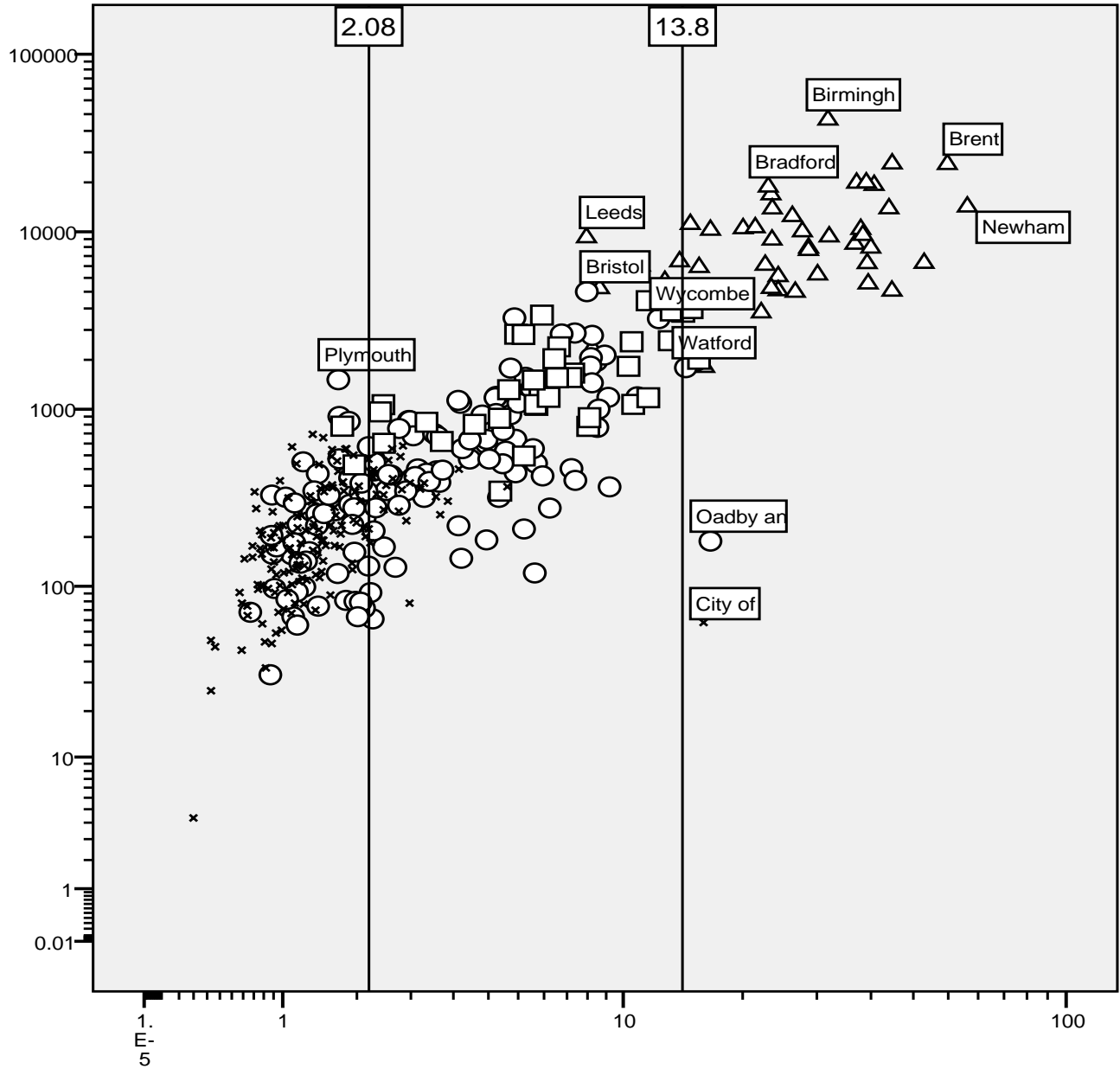
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- Can 'immigrant settlement areas' be measured by 'concentrations of minority ethnic groups'?
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# The sub-national distribution of minority immigration and population

- Strong correlations each decade between the local numbers of:
  - Recent minority immigrants
  - Life-time minority immigrants
  - Minority residents including born in UK
- Strong correlations between the local numbers of each category in:
  - 1961-71, 1980-81, 1990-91, 2000-01
- Slightly weaker for decades far apart and for the definitions of immigrant with least overlap

Immigrated from New Commonwealth between 1961 and 1971 Census



MRPD broad category (4)

- △ Settlement
- Dispersal
- Other NW cluster
- \* Other

$r=0.789$   
(variables before logarithms)

% Non-White population 2001

# Three classifications of settlement/dispersal/other districts

		Immigrated from New Commonwealth 1961-71	Minority immigrated 1990-1991	Minority internal migration 2000-01	Minority population 2001
<b>Total</b>		645,589	77,829	722	4,521,034
<b>Settlement</b>	<b>Highest concentration 2001</b>	433,485	46,057	-8,984	3,008,937
<b>Dispersal</b>	<b>Middle concentration 2001</b>	134,545	18,790	8,958	1,234,768
<b>Other</b>	<b>Lowest concentration 2001</b>	77,559	12,982	748	277,329
<b>Settlement</b>	<b>Highest concentration 1991</b>	434,042	45,472	-11,281	3,005,965
<b>Dispersal</b>	<b>Greatest change 1991-2001</b>	143,807	20,282	11,528	1,240,511
<b>Other</b>	<b>Lower change 1991-2001</b>	67,740	12,075	475	274,558
<b>Settlement</b>	<b>Highest imm 61-71 or 90-91</b>	460,586	48,736	-9,622	3,138,917
<b>Dispersal</b>	<b>Internal migration 2000-01</b>	88,675	14,273	15,442	739,578
<b>Other</b>	<b>Other</b>	96,328	14,820	-5,098	642,539



# Agreement between three approaches for specific districts

## ■ Settlement areas

- full agreement for 37 of 45
  - Birmingham, Blackburn, Bradford, Coventry, Kirklees, Leicester, Luton, Manchester, Nottingham, Sandwell, Slough, Wolverhampton and 25 London Boroughs
- Walsall, Bolton, Cardiff, Leeds, Sheffield, Newcastle had high 1961-1971 minority immigration, but not so high ethnic concentration in 1991 or 2001.
- Preston, Pendle, Watford, Barking, Oadby-Wigston, City of London had high 2001 minority concentration in 2001, but not so high 1961-71 immigration

## ■ Dispersal areas

- full agreement for 69 of 139
- Peterborough, Gloucester: middling concentrations with high minority growth 91-01, but not internal minority migration gain 2000-01.

## ■ Other areas

- full agreement for 123 of 192

# Settlement and dispersal for: Caribbean, Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, African, Chinese

Neither settlement (>200 immigrants 2000-01) nor dispersal (>50 net internal migration) for any group (282 out of 376 Districts)

## Immigration >200 for one group only (11 districts)


		Imm	NetUK
Bradford	Pakistani	658	-18
Lambeth	Black African	413	-618

## Immigration >200 for 2+ groups (3 districts)

Brent	Black African	432	-435
Brent	Indian	908	-543

## Net internal migration >50 for one group only (39 districts)

Oadby and Wigston	Indian	49	64
Reigate and Banstead	Black Caribbean	21	51
Bexley	Black African	92	377



**Net internal migration >50 for 2+ groups (39 districts )**

		<b>Imm</b>	<b>NetUK</b>
Barking and Dagenham	Bangladeshi	5	54
Barking and Dagenham	Black African	167	744
Barking and Dagenham	Black Caribbean	23	159
Barking and Dagenham	Pakistani	33	84
Sutton	Black African	80	93
Sutton	Black Caribbean	38	103
Sutton	Indian	95	92
Sutton	Pakistani	15	109

**Settlement some groups, dispersal others (8 districts)**

Sheffield	Black African	328	12
Sheffield	Chinese	324	16
Sheffield	Indian	160	239

<b>Settlement <i>and</i> dispersal for same group(s) (4 districts)</b>		<b>Imm</b>	<b>NetUK</b>
Greenwich	Black African	457	440
Manchester	Black African	463	203
Manchester	Chinese	438	177
Manchester	Indian	282	213
Manchester	Pakistani	291	84

**Mixture of settlement, dispersal and dual roles (15 districts)**

Leicester UA	Black African	414	238
Leicester UA	Indian	850	-150
Leicester UA	Pakistani	79	76
Birmingham	Black African	656	197
Birmingham	Black Caribbean	264	-110
Birmingham	Chinese	427	46
Birmingham	Indian	496	-204
Birmingham	Pakistani	872	-9



# Answers

- How closely correlated are the geography of immigration, life-time migrants, and ethnicity?
  - Strongly when absolute numbers are considered.
  - Minority immigration is proportionally less to concentrations than to other areas.
- Can 'immigrant settlement areas' be measured by 'concentrations of minority ethnic groups'?
  - Fairly closely but some exceptions (Barking; Oadby)
  - Geographical scale to be investigated
- Can one group's 'settlement area' be an area to which another group disperses?
  - Yes
  - Far more nuanced interpretations are possible, and necessary when particular places are referred to