

GORSLAS WARD: ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE

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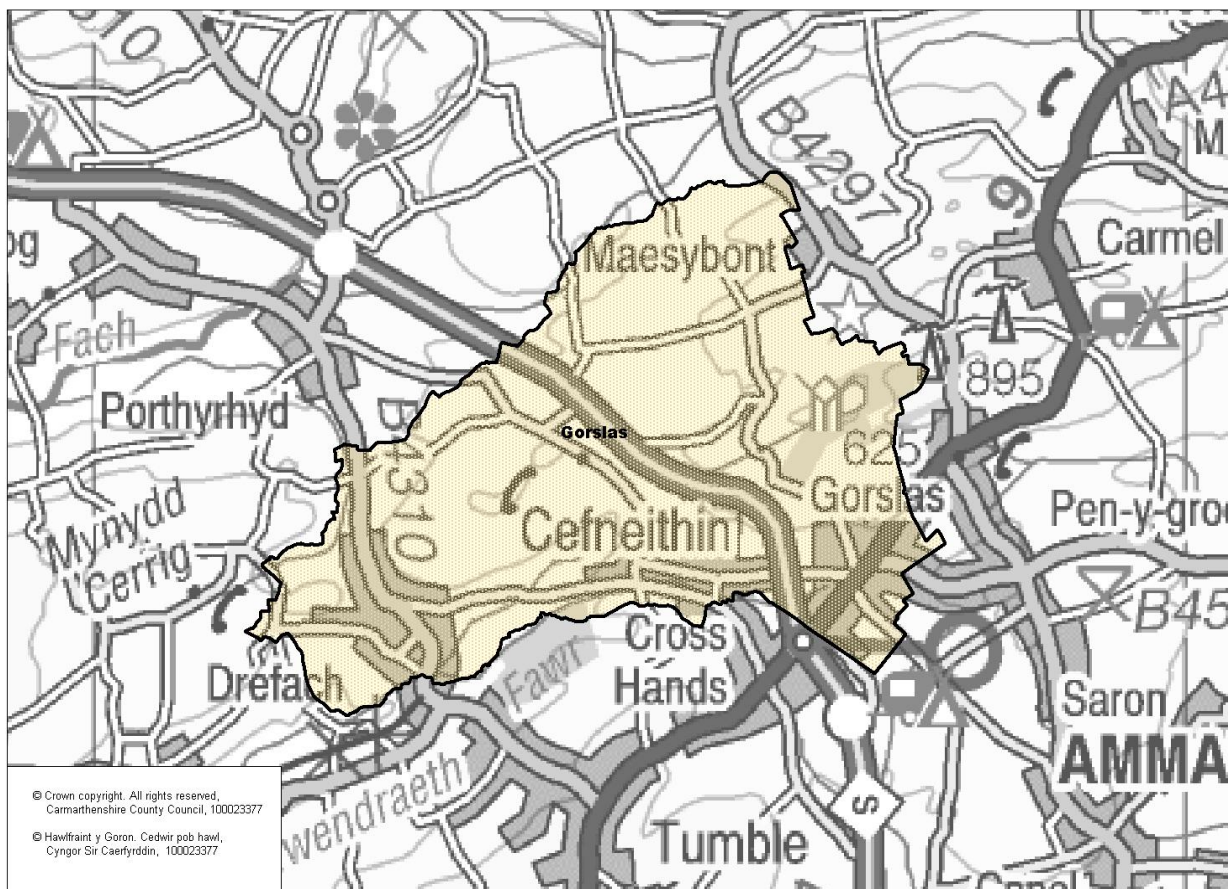
Councillors (Electoral Vote 2012, Turnout = 50.44%): Terry Davies (Labour) and Darren Price (Plaid Cymru).

Electorate (October 2011): 3302

Population: 4,105 (mid -2010 Estimate)

Welsh Assembly and UK Parliamentary Constituency: Carmarthenshire East & Dinefwr

Council owned Facilities: Cefneithin C.P. School, Drefach C.P. School, Gorslas C.P. School, Ysgol Gyfun Maes Yr Yrfa, Gwendraeth Comprehensive School, Llyn Llech Owain Country Park.



Location: Approximately 20km from Carmarthen Town

- ⇒ Regeneration Designations: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013 eligible ward
- ⇒ Area: 16.51km²
- ⇒ Population Density: 249 people per km²
- ⇒ Population Change: 2001-2010: +388 (+9.5%)
- ⇒ Major Employers: Carmarthenshire County Council (schools and leisure)

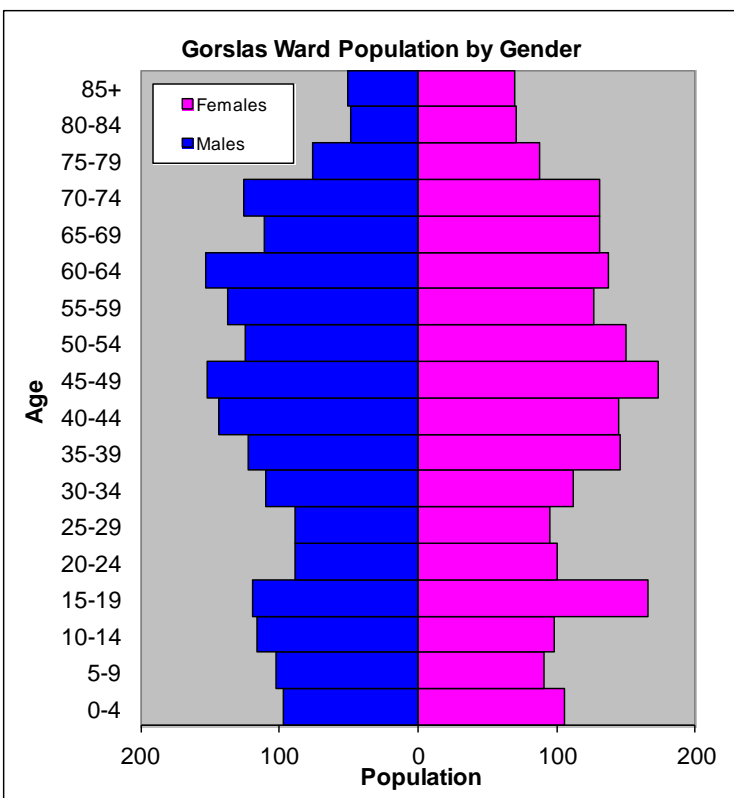
POPULATION STATISTICS 2010 Small Area Population Estimates

Age Structure	Gorslas Population	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire %
Aged: 0-4	203	4.9	5.4
5-14	407	9.9	11.2
15-24	474	11.5	11.8
25-44	963	23.5	22.3
45-64	1155	28.1	28.3
65-74	499	12.2	11.2
75+	404	9.8	11.5
Total	4,105	100	100

Births & Deaths	Gorslas	Carmarthenshire
Birth (2010)	42	1,963
Births Rate	10.2	10.9
Deaths (2010)	39	2077
Death Rate	9.5	11.5

Source: Vital Statistics 2010, ONS.

Note: birth/death rates expressed per '000



Source: aggregated lower Super Output Area (LSOA) Small Area Population Estimates, 2010, Office for National Statistics (ONS)

- ⇒ 11th highest ward population in Carmarthenshire, and 21st highest population density.
- ⇒ Highest proportion of people aged over 45, proportion aged 65-74 marginally higher than the Carmarthenshire average.
- ⇒ Higher proportion of people with no qualifications
- ⇒ Higher proportion of Welsh Speakers than the Carmarthenshire average.

2001 Census Data

Population: Key Facts	Gorslas	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire
People: born in Wales	3067	82.36	80.07
born outside UK	40	1.08	1.93
in non-white ethnic groups	23	0.61	0.94
with limiting long-term illness	1000	26.85	26.27
with no qualifications (aged 16-74)	906	34.21	34.04
with higher level qualifications (aged 16-74)	437	16.5	17.24
able to speak Welsh	2551	70.41	50.07

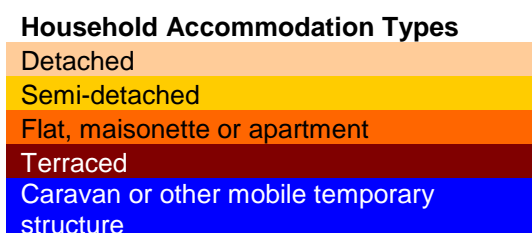
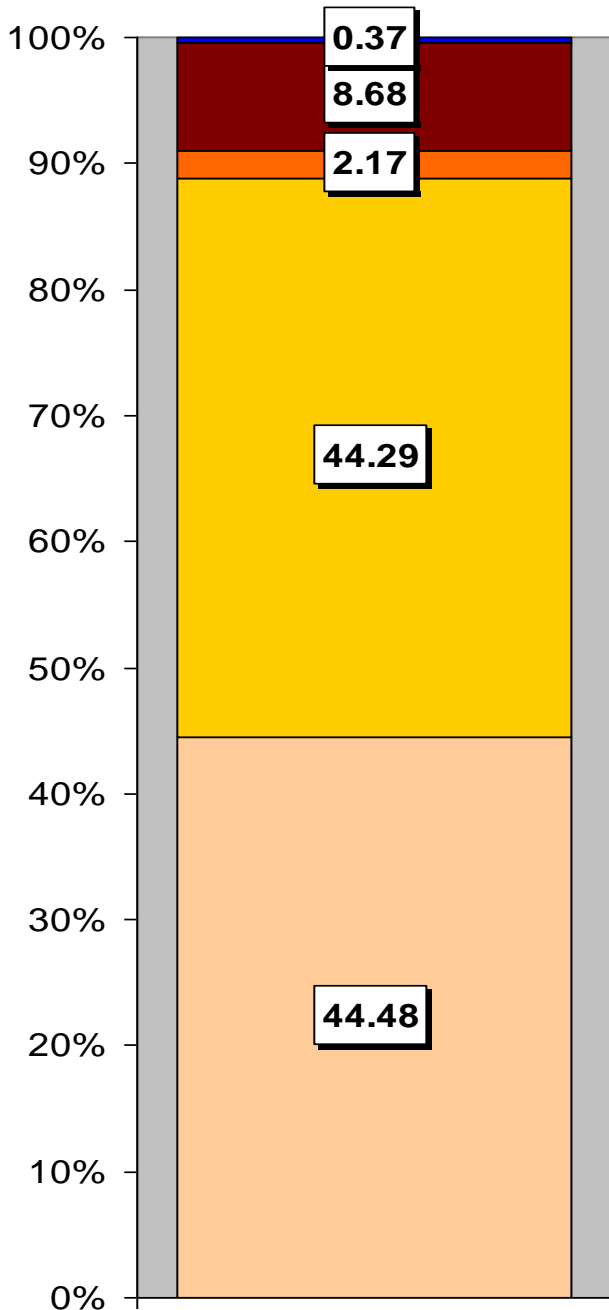
Household Composition	Gorslas	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire
Total Households/ (Average Household Size)	1541	(2.38)	(2.33)
Household Type: one person: pensioner	264	17.13	17.15
one person: other	151	9.8	12.81
one family: all pensioners	199	12.91	10.38
one family: married couple	660	42.83	37.35
one family: cohabiting couple	84	5.46	6.26
one family: lone parent	112	7.27	10.29
one family: other	71	4.61	5.79

Source: 2001 Census, ONS

HOUSING

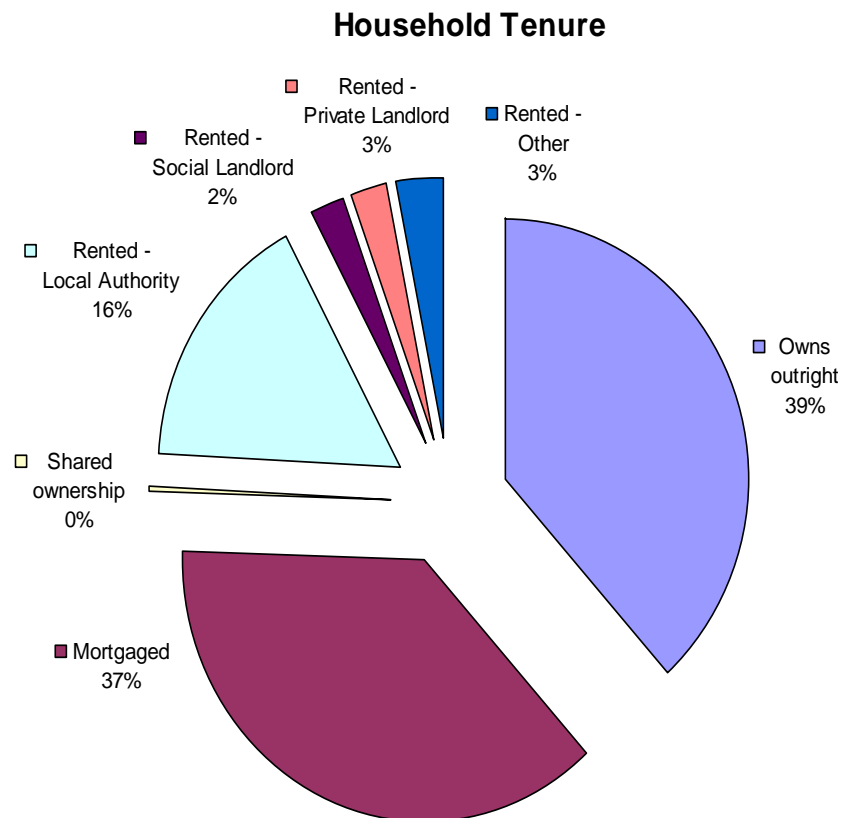
The area's housing consists largely of detached and semi-detached accommodation, which combined equal almost 89% of the accommodation. The smallest proportion of housing is the caravan or other mobile temporary accommodation. The ward consists of 254 local authority owned properties and 39 Housing Association properties.

Household Accommodation Types



Household Tenure

Owns outright	39%
Mortgaged	37%
Shared Ownership	0%
Rented from Local Authority	16%
Rented from Registered Social Landlord	2%
Rented from Private Landlord	3%
Rented from other	3%



SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

- ⇒ The estimated median household income for Gorslas, based on CACI's 2011 'PayCheck' data, is £25,353 which is the 19th highest (of 58 wards) in Carmarthenshire and 13% below the Carmarthenshire mean of £29,156
- ⇒ The social profile information indicates a slightly higher than average level of people claiming state benefit, unemployed or low grade workers (grade E) and a higher than average supervisory, clerical, junior managerial/professional amount of workers (grade C1).

Social Profile	Gorslas	%	Carmarthenshire %
<i>All people aged 16-74 in households</i>	2967	100	100
AB: Higher and intermediate managerial/professional	478	16.11	16.42
C1: Supervisory, clerical, junior managerial/professional	865	29.15	28.5
C2: Skilled manual workers	568	19.14	18.81
D: Semi-skilled and unskilled manual workers	464	15.64	17.88
E: On state benefit, unemployed, lowest grade workers	592	19.95	18.38

Source: 2001 Census, ONS

ECONOMY AND LABOUR MARKET

Benefit Claimants	Gorslas	Rate %	Carmarthenshire Working Population %
Unemployment Benefit (JSA): March 2012	43	1.7	3.4
Incapacity Benefits (ESA/IB/SDA) August 2011	260	10.3	10.6
Income Support: August 2011	80	3.2	4.8
Disability Living Allowance: August 2011	385	15.3	14.6
Pension Credit: August 2011	230	9.1	9.1
State Pension Claimants: August 2011	1005	39.9	38.8

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system Dept. for Work & Pensions

Economic Status (people aged 16-74)	Gorslas	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire %
Economically Active	1,585	59.86	58.6
Employees: Part-time	288	10.88	10.75
Employees: Full-time	984	37.16	32.67
Self-employed	213	8.04	10.02
Unemployed	55	2.08	3.37
Full-time Student	45	1.7	1.78
Economically Inactive	1063	40.15	41.4
Retired	454	17.15	16.12
Student	86	3.25	4.51
Looking after home/family	120	4.53	6.23
Permanently sick/disabled	284	10.73	11.07
Other	119	4.49	3.47

Source: 2001 Census, ONS

WELSH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (WIMD)

WIMD 2011 based on fine-grained geography of lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs). The WIMD 2011 is compiled from eight domains, Income, Employment, Health, Education, Housing, Access to Services, Physical Environment and Community Safety and is published at Lower Super Output Area of which there are 112 in Carmarthenshire.

Under WIMD, where Rank 1 is the most deprived, **Gorslas 1** ranks 75 out of 112 LSOAs in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 1091 in Wales from 1896 LSOAs. **Gorslas 2** ranks 58 most deprived area in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 927 in Wales.

The highest level of deprivation attributed to **Gorslas 1** is the Physical Environment Domain, being ranked 37th in Carmarthenshire and 560th in Wales for this domain. In **Gorslas 2** the Physical Environment domain is also the most prominent ranking 23rd in Carmarthenshire and 381 in Wales.

Gorslas 1 – Drefach Gorslas 2 – Maes yr Yrfa School

LSOA	Overall Index		Domains: Income		Employment		Health		Education		Housing		Access to Services		Physical Environment		Community Safety	
	75	1091	71	1133	72	1022	71	1001	65	1079	100	1552	46	351	37	560	89	1732
Gorslas 1	75	1091	71	1133	72	1022	71	1001	65	1079	100	1552	46	351	37	560	89	1732
Gorslas 2	58	927	74	1160	41	655	91	1329	64	1060	71	1170	41	313	23	381	51	1306

Source: Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2011 (released August 2011), Welsh Assembly Government.

Note: LSOAs ranked 1-112 (Carmarthenshire), 1-1896 (Wales).

CRIME

Gorslas	Offence Group										Annual Total
	Violence against the Person	Sexual Offences	Robbery	Burglary	Auto crime	General Theft	Fraud and Forgery	Criminal Damage	Drug Offences	Other	
2008/2009	12	4	0	10	9	13	0	23	17	0	88
2009/2010	28	1	0	7	4	15	8	12	22	0	97
2010/2011	15	2	0	7	2	21	1	5	32	2	87

Source: Dyfed Powys Police, Headquarters, Llangunnor.

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