

SARON WARD: ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE

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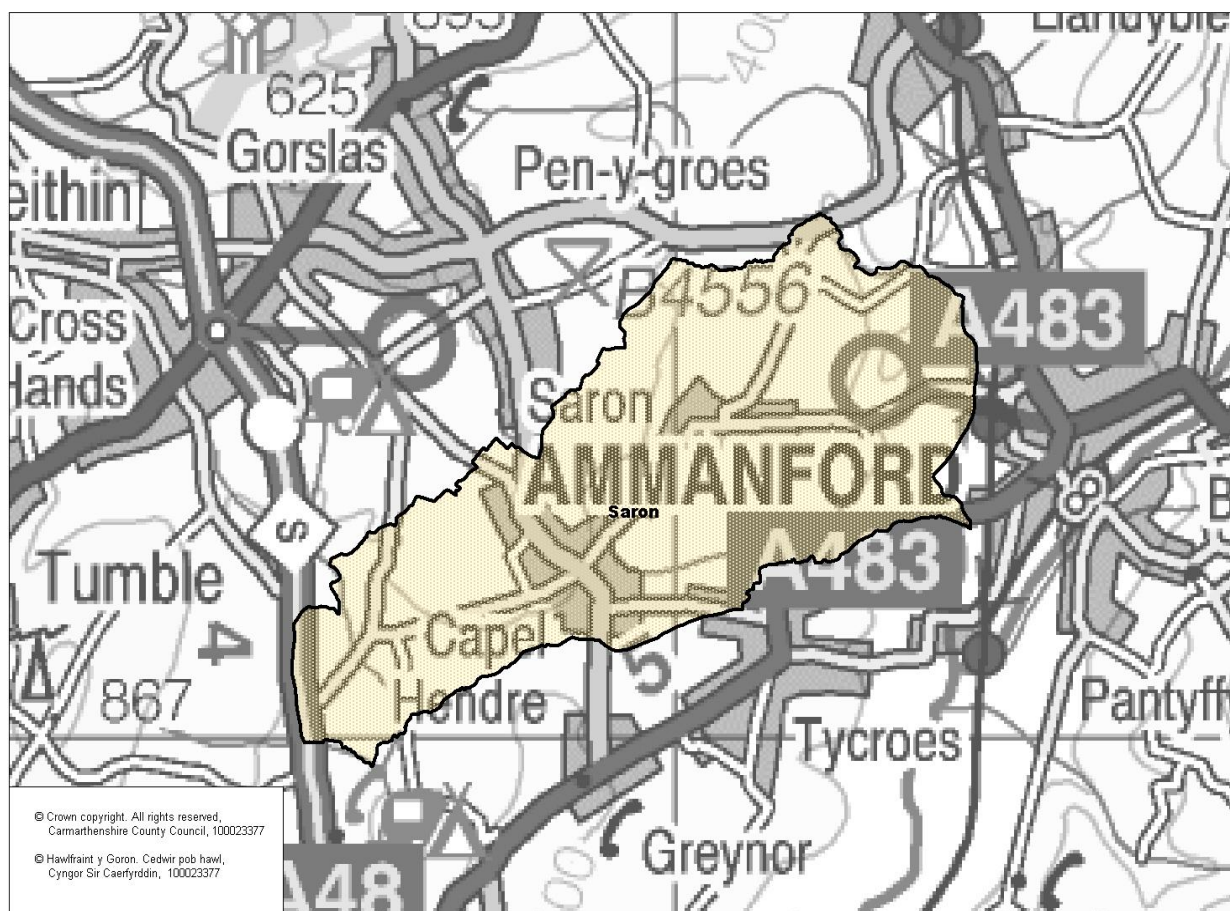
Councillors (Electoral Vote 2012 – Turnout = 44.48%): Peter Cooper (Labour) and Alun Davies (Plaid Cymru)

Electorate (October 2011): 3118

Population: 3,988 (mid -2010 Estimate)

Welsh Assembly and UK Parliamentary Constituency: Carmarthenshire East & Dinefwr

Council owned Facilities: Saron C.P. School, Saron Recreation Ground, Penybanc Play Area (Ammanford), King George's Field (Capel Hendre)



Location: Approximately 25km from Carmarthen Town

- ⇒ Area: 9.84km²
- ⇒ Population Density: 405 people per km²
- ⇒ Population Change: 2001-2010: +523 (+13.1%)
- ⇒ Major Employers: Carmarthenshire County Council (schools and leisure)

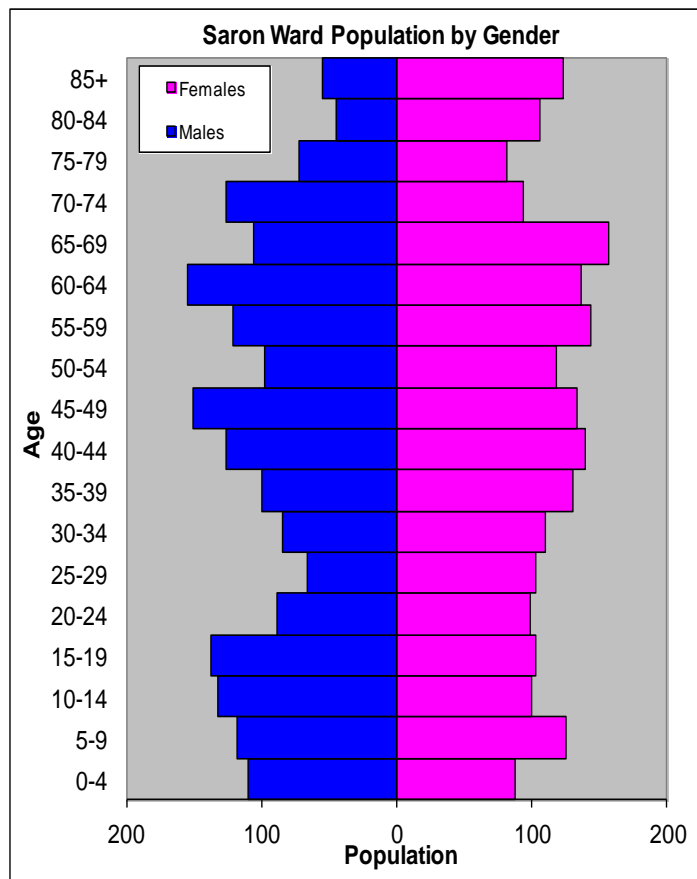
POPULATION STATISTICS

2010 Small Area Population Estimates

Age Structure	Saron Population	Saron %	Carmarthenshire %
Aged: 0-4	198	5.0	5.4
5-14	476	11.9	11.2
15-24	429	10.8	11.8
25-44	861	21.6	22.3
45-64	1058	26.5	28.3
65-74	483	12.1	11.2
75+	483	12.1	11.5
Total	3,988	100	100

Births & Deaths	Saron	Carmarthenshire
Birth (2010)	31	1,963
Births Rate	7.8	10.9
Deaths (2010)	64	2077
Death Rate	16.0	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)

- ⇒ 13th highest ward population in Carmarthenshire, and 16th highest population density.
- ⇒ Highest proportion of people aged over 45, proportion aged over 75 relatively high compared to 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	Saron	Saron %	Carmarthenshire
People: born in Wales	2886	83.24	80.07
born outside UK	37	1.06	1.93
in non-white ethnic groups	15	0.44	0.94
with limiting long-term illness	1115	32.16	26.27
with no qualifications (aged 16-74)	888	36.44	34.04
with higher level qualifications (aged 16-74)	365	14.98	17.24
able to speak Welsh	2179	65.15	50.07

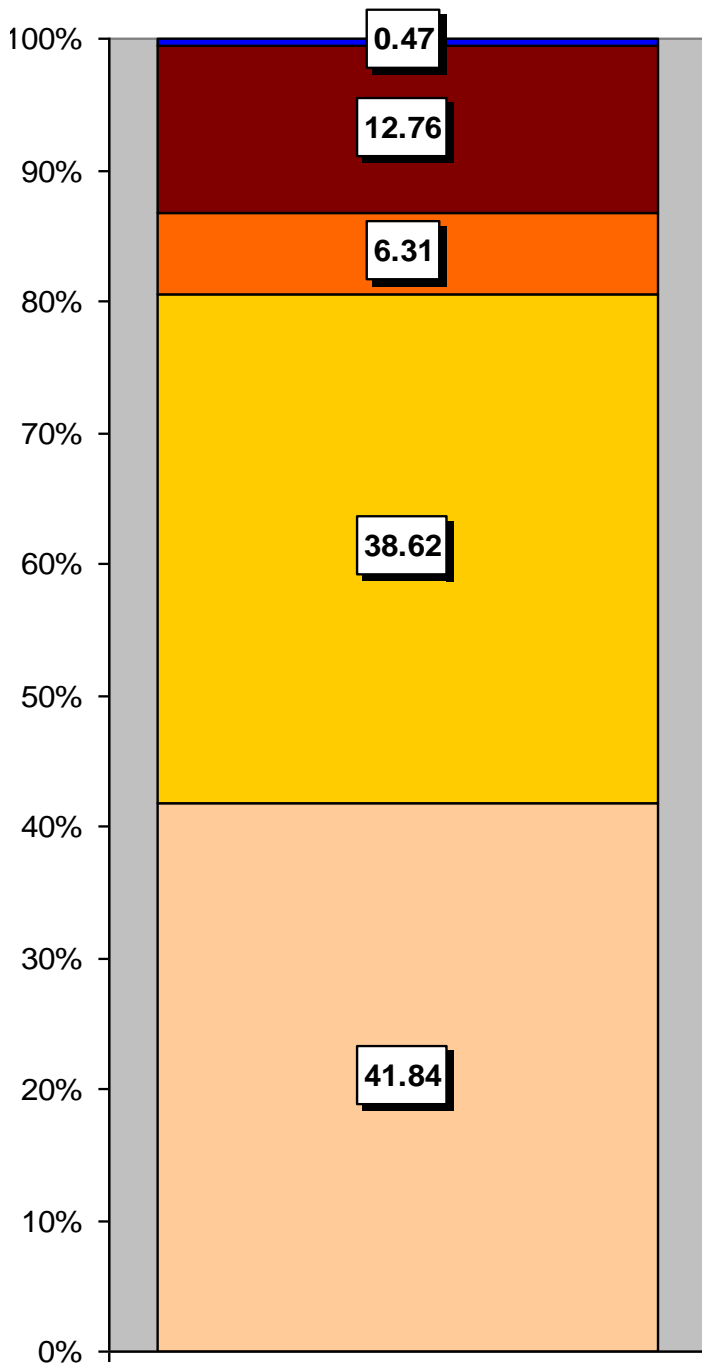
Household Composition	Saron	Saron %	Carmarthenshire
Total Households/ (Average Household Size)	1413	(2.37)	(2.33)
Household Type: one person: pensioner	218	15.43	17.15
one person: other	168	11.89	12.81
one family: all pensioners	130	9.2	10.38
one family: married couple	575	40.7	37.35
one family: cohabiting couple	101	7.14	6.26
one family: lone parent	147	10.41	10.29
one family: other	74	5.23	5.79

Source: 2001 Census, ONS

HOUSING

The area's housing consists mostly of detached and semi-detached houses and a higher proportion of terraced housing in comparison to the number of flats/maisonettes/apartments. The ward consists of 273 local authority owned properties and 47 Housing Association properties.

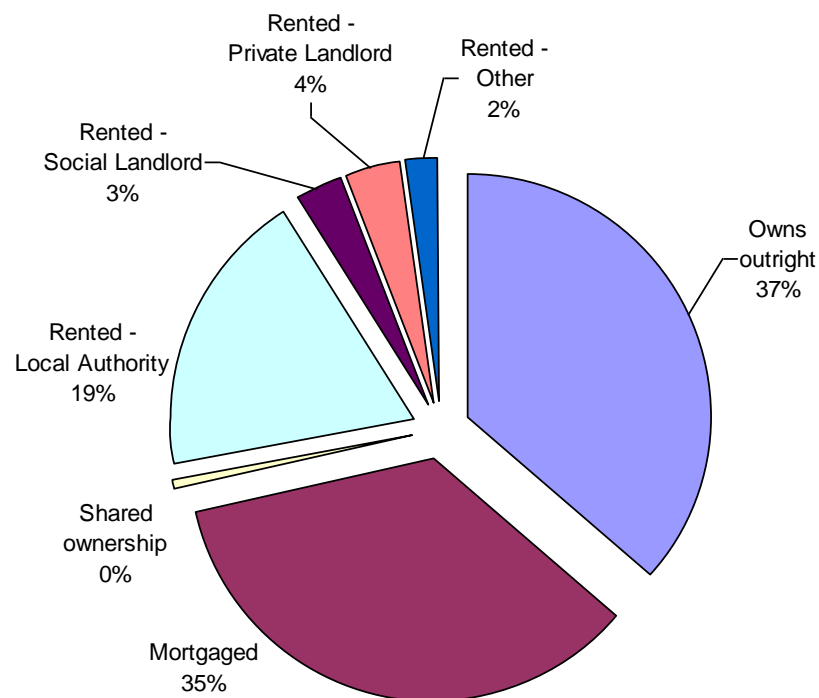
Household Accommodation Types



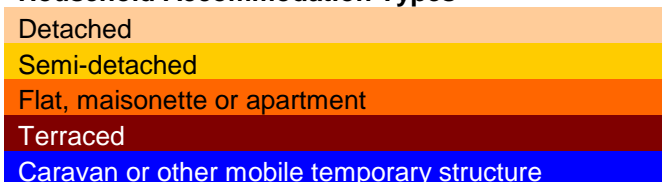
Household Tenure

Owns outright	37%
Mortgaged	35%
Shared Ownership	0%
Rented from Local Authority	19%
Rented from Registered Social Landlord	3%
Rented from Private Landlord	4%
Rented from other	2%

Household Tenure



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SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

- ⇒ The estimated median household income for Saron, based on CACI's 2011 'PayCheck' data, is £24,364 which is the 31st lowest (of 58 wards) in Carmarthenshire and 16.4% below the Carmarthenshire mean of £29,156
- ⇒ The social profile information indicates a higher than average level of people on state benefit, unemployed or low grade workers (grade E) and a higher than average semi-skilled and unskilled manual workers (grade D).

Social Profile	Saron	%	Carmarthenshire %
<i>All people aged 16-74 in households</i>	2673	100	100
AB: Higher and intermediate managerial/professional	395	14.78	16.42
C1: Supervisory, clerical, junior managerial/professional	758	28.36	28.5
C2: Skilled manual workers	520	19.45	18.81
D: Semi-skilled and unskilled manual workers	485	18.14	17.88
E: On state benefit, unemployed, lowest grade workers	515	19.27	18.38

Source: 2001 Census, ONS

ECONOMY AND LABOUR MARKET

Benefit Claimants	Saron	Rate %	Carmarthenshire Working Population %
Unemployment Benefit (JSA): March 2012	73	3.2	3.4
Incapacity Benefits (ESA/IB/SDA) August 2011	115	7.1	10.6
Income Support: August 2011	30	1.9	4.8
Disability Living Allowance: August 2011	165	10.2	14.6
Pension Credit: August 2011	130	8.1	9.1
State Pension Claimants: August 2011	795	49.3	38.8

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

Economic Status (people aged 16-74)	Saron	Saron %	Carmarthenshire %
Economically Active	1,377	56.51	58.6
Employees: Part-time	265	10.87	10.75
Employees: Full-time	841	34.51	32.67
Self-employed	152	6.24	10.02
Unemployed	85	3.49	3.37
Full-time Student	34	1.4	1.78
Economically Inactive	1,060	43.5	41.4
Retired	349	14.32	16.12
Student	103	4.23	4.51
Looking after home/family	151	6.1	6.23
Permanently sick/disabled	369	15.14	11.07
Other	88	3.61	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, **Saron 1** ranks as the 22nd most deprived area in Carmarthenshire from 112 LSOAs and is ranked 541 in Wales from 1896 LSOAs. **Saron 2** ranks as the 43rd most deprived in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 733 from 1896 LSOAs in Wales.

The highest level of deprivation attributed to **Saron 1** is the Health domain, being ranked 8th in Carmarthenshire and 193 in Wales for this domain. In **Saron 2** the Health domain is also the most prominent ranking 12th in Carmarthenshire and 278 in Wales.

Saron 1 – Capel Hendre Saron 2 - Penybanc

LSOA	Overall Index		Income		Employment		Health		Education		Housing		Access to Services		Physical Environment		Community Safety	
	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales
Saron 1	22	541	44	788	42	708	8	193	30	639	94	1474	29	215	47	697	50	1295
Saron 2	43	733	58	1039	44	708	12	278	54	982	50	989	52	480	41	617	67	1512

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

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

CRIME

Saron	Offence Group										Annual Total	
	Violence against the Person	Sexual Offences	Robbery	Burglary	Auto crime	General Theft	Fraud and Forgery	Criminal Damage	Drug Offences	Other		
Fiscal Year (1st April to 31st March)												
2008/2009	35	9	0	11	7	13	2	30	7	0	114	
2009/2010	20	1	0	14	9	25	3	21	9	0	102	
2010/2011	24	1	1	11	6	16	0	26	6	1	92	

Source: Dyfed Powys Police, Headquarters, Llangunnon.

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