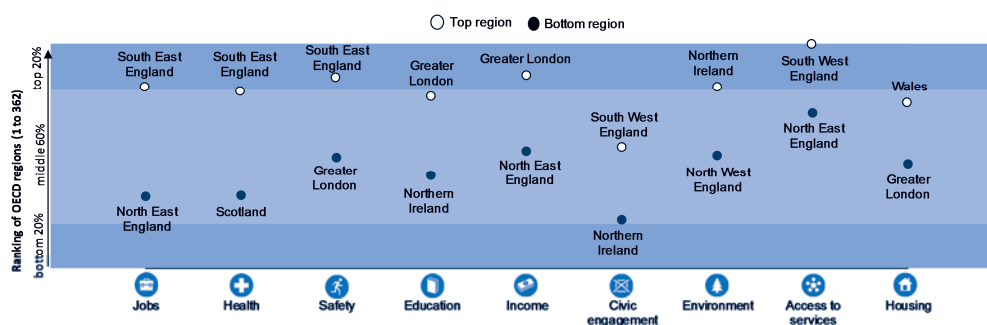


## United Kingdom

In 6 out of 9 well-being dimensions, at least one British region ranks in the top 20% of the OECD regions. South East England is the top British region in the jobs, health and safety dimensions. The Greater London region is the top region in income and education, but the last one in safety and housing. The largest regional disparities are found in the jobs dimension, with the South East England ranking in the top 20% of OECD regions and North East England in the bottom 30%.

### Relative performance of British regions by well-being dimensions



*Note:* Relative ranking of the regions with the best and worst outcomes in the 9 well-being dimensions, with respect to all 362 OECD regions. The nine dimensions are ordered by decreasing regional disparities in the country. Each well-being dimension is measured by the indicators in the table below.

The high performing British regions fare better than the OECD average in all of the well-being indicators. The disposable income per capita is around USD 37 000, twice the OECD average value.

In the low performing regions, the percentage of voters in the last election was about 56%, 12 percentage points below the OECD average, while the share of labour force with at secondary degree is 7 percentage points above the OECD average.

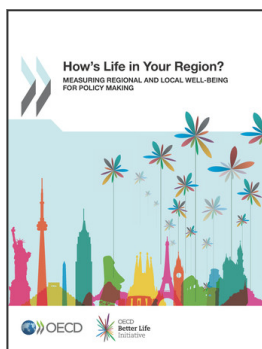
### How do the top and bottom regions in United Kingdom fare on the well-being indicators?

	British regions		Country average	OECD average
	Top 20%	Bottom 20%		
<b>Jobs</b>				
Employment rate (%), 2013	76.8	63.6	67.7	66.7
Unemployment rate (%), 2013	5.3	9.8	8.1	8.0
<b>Health</b>				
Life expectancy at birth (years), 2012	80.7	76.0	78.7	79.5
Age adjusted mortality rate (per 1 000 people), 2012	7.5	10.1	8.5	8.1
<b>Safety</b>				
Homicide rate (per 100 000 people), 2012	1.9	7.0	4.7	4.2
<b>Education</b>				
Labour force with at least a secondary degree (%), 2013	91.3	82.2	86.0	74.6
<b>Income</b>				
Household disposable income per capita (in USD), 2011	36 834	24 952	30 183	18 907
<b>Civic engagement</b>				
Voters in last national election (%), 2013	71.0	55.6	68.0	67.7
<b>Environment</b>				
Level of air pollution (PM <sub>2.5</sub> ) experienced by regional population (µg/m <sup>3</sup> ), 2012	4.8	11.0	8.3	12.3
<b>Access to services</b>				
Households with broadband access (%), 2013	75.2	57.2	72.0	67.2
<b>Housing</b>				
Rooms per person, 2012	2.8	2.1	2.4	1.8

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*Note:* Data in the first two columns refer to average values in regions at the top and the bottom 20% of national ranking. The OECD average is computed for 34 countries except for housing (32 countries) and life expectancy at birth (33 countries).

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