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Local highways authorities are responsible for maintaining local roads in England.

The Department for Transport has introduced a rating system measuring how well each local highway authority is maintaining its local roads and making use of its increased government funding. This allows local people to see how well their council is maintaining roads in their area.

This page:

- lists all the local highway authorities in England
- gives them a performance rating of either red, amber or green - green is the highest and red is the lowest
- explains what the performance ratings mean in detail, how they will help to improve road condition, and what support is available to local highway authorities to improve their ratings

You can also [view a map giving an overview of the ratings by county](https://maps.dft.gov.uk/local-road-maintenance-ratings-map/index.html) (<https://maps.dft.gov.uk/local-road-maintenance-ratings-map/index.html>).

What the ratings mean

The ratings range from green (highest) through amber to red (lowest). They measure how well each local highway authority is maintaining its local roads and are based on 3 areas:

- the current condition of local roads
- how much each local highway authority is spending on maintaining its local roads
- how effectively each local highway authority follows best practice in highways maintenance - for example by using technologies to fix and

prevent potholes more efficiently

The ratings are supported by 3 scorecards that measure local highway authorities' performance in each of these 3 areas.

The ratings are based on data from official statistics and data from the transparency reports that local highway authorities had to publish on their websites. Links to each local highway authority's transparency report are provided in the table below.

Local authorities with good local road condition, high adoption of best practice, and that invest significantly into maintaining their roads receive a green rating, while those where performance is more mixed or consistently weaker across these areas receive an amber or red rating.

How the ratings help to improve local road conditions

The ratings:

- enable the public to gauge how well each council is maintaining its local roads
- provide an incentive to councils to adopt best practice so that they can improve their ratings and more effectively spend their increased government funding for repairing roads

They also enable the government to identify where councils need to improve and to support them to ensure road condition improves nationwide.

To access all their £7.3 billion of highways maintenance funding for the period of 2026/27 to 2029/30, local highway authorities will have to continue to publish reports on their roads maintenance work, so that these ratings can be updated and the government can assess how they comply with best practice in highways maintenance.

Further detail on these requirements is set out in the [funding for local highways maintenance guidance](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/highways-maintenance-funding-allocations/highways-maintenance-block-formula-allocations-2026-to-2030#incentive-funding) (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/highways-maintenance-funding-allocations/highways-maintenance-block-formula-allocations-2026-to-2030#incentive-funding>).

Support available to local authorities to help them improve their ratings

The government will provide red-rated local highway authorities with a dedicated support programme to help improve outcomes. This support will be in the form of peer reviews where sector experts will work with authorities to improve processes and provide practical advice that is tailored to individual authorities' needs.

2025 to 2026 ratings

For 2025 to 2026, there are:

- 16 green rated local highway authorities
- 125 amber rated local highway authorities
- 13 red rated local highway authorities

Table 1 (below) lists all the local highway authorities and links to the page where they have published their 2025 to 2026 report.

Local highway authority	Overall rating	Condition scorecard	Spend scorecard	Wider best practice scorecard
<u>Barking and Dagenham*</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Barnet</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Barnsley</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Bath & North East Somerset</u>	Amber	Red	Green	Amber
<u>Bedford</u>	Red	Amber	Red	Amber
<u>Bexley</u>	Amber	Green	Green	Amber

Local highway authority	Overall rating	Condition scorecard	Spend scorecard	Wider best practice scorecard
<u>Birmingham</u>**	Amber	Amber	No rating	Amber
<u>Blackburn with Darwen</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Blackpool</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Bolton</u>	Red	Amber	Red	Amber
<u>Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole</u>	Amber	Green	Amber	Amber
<u>Bracknell Forest</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Bradford</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Brent</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Brighton and Hove</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Bristol</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Bromley</u>***	Amber	Red	Green	Red
<u>Buckinghamshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Bury</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Calderdale</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Cambridgeshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Camden</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Central Bedfordshire</u>***	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Cheshire East</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber

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<u>Cheshire West and Chester</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>City of London</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>City of York</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Cornwall</u>	Amber	Green	Amber	Amber
<u>Coventry</u>	Green	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Croydon</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Cumberland</u>	Red	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Darlington</u>	Green	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Derby</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Green
<u>Derbyshire</u>	Red	Red	Amber	Amber
<u>Devon</u>	Amber	Amber	Red	Amber
<u>Doncaster</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Dorset</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Green
<u>Dudley</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Durham</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Ealing</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>East Riding of Yorkshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Red	Amber
<u>East Sussex</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Enfield</u> ***	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Essex</u>	Green	Green	Green	Amber

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<u>Gateshead</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Gloucestershire</u>	Green	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Greenwich</u>***	Red	Amber	Red	Red
<u>Hackney</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Halton</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Hammersmith and Fulham</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Hampshire</u>	Amber	Green	Amber	Amber
<u>Haringey</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Harrow</u>***	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Hartlepool</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Havering</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Herefordshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Hertfordshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Hillingdon</u>	Green	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Hounslow</u>	Amber	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Isle of Wight</u>**	Amber	Green	No rating	Amber
<u>Isles of Scilly</u>	Amber	Green	Green	Red
<u>Islington</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Kensington and Chelsea</u>***	Red	Red	Amber	Amber
<u>Kent</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber

Local highway authority	Overall rating	Condition scorecard	Spend scorecard	Wider best practice scorecard
<u>Kingston upon Hull, City of</u>	Amber	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Kingston upon Thames</u>***	Amber	Red	Green	Red
<u>Kirklees</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Knowsley</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Lambeth</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Lancashire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Leeds</u>	Green	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Leicester</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Leicestershire</u>	Red	Amber	Red	Amber
<u>Lewisham</u>	Green	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Lincolnshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Liverpool</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Luton</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Manchester</u>	Green	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Medway</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red
<u>Merton</u>	Amber	Red	Green	Amber
<u>Middlesbrough</u>	Green	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Milton Keynes</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Newcastle</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Newham</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber

Local highway authority	Overall rating	Condition scorecard	Spend scorecard	Wider best practice scorecard
<u>Norfolk</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>North East Lincolnshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>North Lincolnshire</u>	Red	Amber	Red	Amber
<u>North Northamptonshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Red
<u>North Somerset</u>	Amber	Green	Amber	Green
<u>North Tyneside</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>North Yorkshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Northumberland</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Nottingham</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Nottinghamshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Oldham</u>	Amber	Green	Green	Red
<u>Oxfordshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Peterborough</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Plymouth</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Portsmouth</u>	Green	Green	Green	Green
<u>Reading</u>***	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Redbridge</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Redcar & Cleveland</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Richmond upon Thames</u>***	Amber	Red	Green	Amber

Local highway authority	Overall rating	Condition scorecard	Spend scorecard	Wider best practice scorecard
<u>Rochdale</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Rotherham</u>	Green	Green	Green	Green
<u>Rutland</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Salford</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Sandwell</u>	Green	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Sefton</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Sheffield</u>**	Amber	Green	No rating	Amber
<u>Shropshire</u>***	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Slough</u>	Red	Amber	Red	Green
<u>Solihull</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Somerset</u>	Amber	Green	Red	Green
<u>South Gloucestershire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>South Tyneside</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Southampton</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Southend-on-Sea</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Southwark</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>St Helens</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Staffordshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Stockport</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Stockton-on-Tees</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber

Local highway authority	Overall rating	Condition scorecard	Spend scorecard	Wider best practice scorecard
<u>Stoke-on-Trent</u> ***	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Suffolk</u>	Red	Amber	Red	Amber
<u>Sunderland</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Surrey</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Sutton</u> ***	Amber	Red	Green	Red
<u>Swindon</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Tameside</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Telford and Wrekin</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Thurrock</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Torbay</u>	Amber	Green	Amber	Amber
<u>Tower Hamlets</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Trafford</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Transport for London</u>	Amber	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Wakefield</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Walsall</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Red
<u>Waltham Forest</u> ***	Red	Red	Amber	Red
<u>Wandsworth</u> ***	Amber	Red	Green	Amber
<u>Warrington</u>	Amber	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Warwickshire</u>	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>West Berkshire</u>	Green	Green	Green	Green

Local highway authority	Overall rating	Condition scorecard	Spend scorecard	Wider best practice scorecard
<u>West Northamptonshire</u>	Red	Red	Amber	Red
<u>West Sussex</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Westminster</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Westmorland and Furness</u>	Red	Amber	Amber	Amber
<u>Wigan</u>	Green	Green	Green	Amber
<u>Wiltshire</u>	Green	Green	Amber	Green
<u>Windsor and Maidenhead</u>***	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Wirral</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Green
<u>Wokingham</u>	Amber	Green	Amber	Green
<u>Wolverhampton</u>	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber
<u>Worcestershire</u>	Green	Amber	Green	Green

Table notes

* The overall rating and best practice scorecard for Barking and Dagenham are based on incomplete carriageway treatment data, which has affected these ratings.

** A spend rating has not been produced for local highway authorities that have separate highways maintenance funding arrangements.

*** The overall rating and best practice and condition scorecards for this local highway authority are based on incomplete road condition data, which has affected these ratings, and how their best practice scorecard was calculated.

Technical information on how the ratings are calculated

Read detailed technical information on the methodology used to calculate the ratings (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/methodology-used-to-calculate-ratings-for-local-road-maintenance>).

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