

Llandrindod Wells

Powys, Wales

LIVEABILITY AND COST REPORT



OVERALL SCORE

VERY GOOD

STANDING

Top 1% of 539 areas

BIGGEST LEAD

Education (83)

BIGGEST SHORTFALL

Broadband (55)

£231,004

AVERAGE HOME

93

COST OF LIVING

75%

COMPLETENESS

A free report on what it is like to live in Llandrindod Wells, and what it costs. Twelve categories scored from open government data, each compared against every other area in our index, with the source behind every figure named where it appears.

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How to read this report

Every figure here is published by a government body or another open source, and every one is named where it appears. Nothing is estimated to fill a gap: where a dataset has not loaded for this area, the category is left out of the overall score and the remaining weights are rebalanced, which is why the completeness figure on the cover matters as much as the score beside it.

Scores run from 0 to 100 and are ours, not anybody official. They exist to make twelve very different measurements comparable on one scale, and they are calibrated against every other area in our index rather than against an absolute standard. A 70 therefore means "well above the typical UK area we have scored", not "seven out of ten".

THE BANDS USED THROUGHOUT

SCORE	BAND	WHAT IT MEANS
85 to 100	Excellent	Among the strongest areas in the index on this measure
70 to 84	Very good	Clearly above the typical scored area
55 to 69	Good	Around the middle of the index
40 to 54	Fair	Below the typical scored area
0 to 39	Challenging	Among the weakest in the index, or measured against a difficult baseline

Two measurements are not comparable across the United Kingdom and are never ranked together in this document. Recorded crime in England and Wales is a count of offences within about a mile over one month, while Scotland publishes an annual rate per 10,000 residents by council. School attainment uses Attainment 8 in England, the Capped 9 points score in Wales and the average highest SCQF level of school leavers in Scotland. Each is compared within its own nation.

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■ SUMMARY

In short

Llandrindod Wells scores 78 out of 100 overall, putting it in the top 1 per cent of the 539 UK areas we have scored. Its biggest lead is education, scoring 83 against the Welsh median of 53; its biggest shortfall is broadband, 55 against 86.

- Nearest scored area: Brecon, about 20 miles away, scoring 73.
- Median overall score across the 539 areas in the index: 67 out of 100.
- Categories without data are excluded from the overall score rather than estimated.

LLANDRINDOD WELLS AT A GLANCE

MEASURE	FIGURE
Postcode used	LD1 5BD
Local authority	Powys
Constituency	Brecon, Radnor and Cwm Tawe
Overall score	78 out of 100, very good
Report completeness	75 per cent of categories carry data
Average property price	£231,004

The twelve categories

Each category is scored 0 to 100 from its own named source, then combined into the overall score using the weights shown. A category with no data for this area is excluded rather than guessed at.

Cost of living		93	15% weight
Affordability		79	15% weight
Safety		--	10% weight
Weather		--	10% weight
Employment		58	10% weight
Housing		99	10% weight
Transport		70	5% weight
Broadband		55	5% weight
Environment		100	5% weight
Healthcare		32	5% weight
Education		83	5% weight
Lifestyle		--	5% weight

Weights are rebalanced across whatever categories have data, so an area missing one is neither rewarded nor punished for the gap. Completeness for this report is 75 per cent.

How Llandrindod Wells compares

A score on its own says very little. The same score against the median of every area we have scored says a great deal, and it is the difference between a figure and a finding.

AGAINST 539 SCORED AREAS. WALES AND UK COLUMNS ARE MEDIANS

CATEGORY	SCORE	WALES	UK	DIFF	POSITION
Cost of living	93	85	72	+8	top 1%
Affordability	79	86	68	-7	top 38%
Employment	58	51	59	+7	bottom 46%
Housing	99	82	83	+17	top 3%
Transport	70	74	75	-4	bottom 32%
Broadband	55	86	88	-31	bottom 2%
Environment	100	99	91	+1	top 8%
Healthcare	32	38	52	-6	bottom 13%
Education	83	53	40	+30	top 2%

What this area does well. Measured against everywhere else in the index, the standouts are education (83, 30 above the median), housing (99, 17 above the median) and cost of living (93, 8 above the median).

Where it falls short. Broadband (55, 31 below).

What a home here costs

What the score means in cash. The average home here is £231,004, 15 per cent below the median of the areas we have scored. With a ten per cent deposit of £23,100, repaying the rest costs about £1,340 a month, £719 more than renting at the local average of £621, and needs a household income of about £46,200 to borrow.

THE COST OF BUYING IN LLANDRINDOD WELLS

MEASURE	FIGURE
Average property price	£231,004 (June 2026)
Change over 12 months	+2.9%, rising
Against the index median	15% below £270,569
10% deposit	£23,100
15% deposit	£34,651
Price to earnings	5.9 times UK median full-time earnings of £39,039
Monthly repayment	£1,340 on a £207,904 mortgage (10% deposit, 6% over 25 years)
Against renting	£719 more than the £621 average monthly rent
Income to borrow it	About £46,200 a year at 4.5 times income

Prices are the HM Land Registry UK House Price Index average for this local authority, covering every property type together. Earnings are the UK median for full-time employees, not a local figure, so the multiple compares areas on a common basis rather than describing local pay. This is illustrative arithmetic, not a mortgage assessment or financial advice.

Air quality against the limits

Fine particulates, at 4.4, sit inside the UK 2040 target of 10 and inside the World Health Organization guideline of 5, which few areas manage. Nitrogen dioxide, at 2.7, is well inside the UK limit of 40 and inside the WHO guideline of 10.

MODELLLED BACKGROUND CONCENTRATION, MICROGRAMS PER CUBIC METRE

POLLUTANT	LLANDRINDOD WELLS	UK OBJECTIVE	WHO GUIDELINE	STANDING
Fine particulates (PM2.5)	4.4	10	5	Inside both
Nitrogen dioxide (NO2)	2.7	40	10	Inside both

Neighbourhood background levels from the Defra 1 km model; readings beside a busy road are higher. UK figures are the legal limit (NO2) and 2040 target (PM2.5); WHO figures are health guidelines, not law.

Who Llandrindod Wells suits

Llandrindod Wells suits most households about equally: from the top 1% for families to the top 4% for young professionals of the 539 areas we have scored.

THE SAME CATEGORIES, WEIGHTED FOR DIFFERENT LIVES

HOUSEHOLD	SCORE	STANDING	WHAT IT WEIGHS
Families	79	top 1%	Weighted towards schools, safety, housing and healthcare.
Students	81	top 1%	Weighted towards cost of living, lifestyle, transport and safety.
Remote workers	78	top 3%	Weighted towards broadband, cost of living, environment and weather.
Retirees	76	top 3%	Weighted towards healthcare, safety, environment and cost of living.
Young professionals	74	top 4%	Weighted towards employment, lifestyle, transport and broadband.

Nearby, and places like it

Scored areas within about 50 miles

AREA	DISTANCE	WHERE	OVERALL	BAND
Brecon	20 mi	Powys, Wales	73	Very good
Leominster	27 mi	Herefordshire, County of, West Midlands, England	70	Very good
Ludlow	29 mi	Shropshire, West Midlands, England	68	Good
Hereford	31 mi	Herefordshire, County of, West Midlands, England	71	Very good
Aberystwyth	32 mi	Ceredigion, Wales	69	Good
Ebbw Vale	32 mi	Blaenau Gwent, Wales	65	Good

Areas with the most similar profile, anywhere in the country

AREA	WHERE	OVERALL	AVERAGE GAP
Bangor	Gwynedd, Wales	72	9.3
Thurso	Highland, Scotland	68	9.7
Fort William	Highland, Scotland	69	9.8
Stranraer	Dumfries and Galloway, Scotland	78	10.0
Filey	North Yorkshire, Yorkshire and The Humber, England	72	11.1

Ranked by the average difference across every category both areas have data for, so a smaller gap is a closer match. Immediate neighbours are excluded. These are matches on the shape of the data rather than on character: two areas can score alike and feel nothing like each other.

Weather and the outdoors

There is no weather score for Llandrindod Wells. The nearest Met Office historic station, Ross-on-Wye, is 66 km away, beyond the 40 km we accept, so its climate would describe somewhere else. Weather is left out of the overall score here rather than borrowed.

What this report does not tell you

Every figure here is real. That does not make it complete, and four limits are worth holding in mind before acting on any of it.

Averages describe an area, not an address

Cost of living, affordability, housing, employment, broadband and education are published for a whole local authority, and education sometimes for the county. Every street in Llandrindod Wells shares the council figures, including streets that are nothing like each other. Weather, amenities, healthcare, transport and air quality, and crime, are measured around the exact point searched and are genuinely local.

Recorded crime is not the same as crime

The safety figure counts offences reported to the police, so it reflects both what happened and how willing people were to report it. It counts offences within about a mile of the point, per resident where the population is known, so a busy centre that draws in visitors records more than a quiet suburb regardless of how safe it is to live in.

Amenity counts come from a volunteer map

Shops, surgeries, parks and transport stops are counted from OpenStreetMap, which is thorough in most of Britain and thinner in some rural areas. A low lifestyle or healthcare score can occasionally mean the map is incomplete rather than the services are absent.

Climate is not a forecast

The weather scores are multi-year averages from the nearest long-running Met Office station, used only when it is within 40 km. They describe the usual pattern, not next week, and in hilly country two places ten miles apart can differ more than the station suggests. No station is close enough to Llandrindod Wells, so weather is left out of this report.

None of this is a reason to distrust the figures. It is the difference between a number and a decision, and the decision is still yours.

Method and sources

Every category below is loaded from the source named against it. Nothing on this page is modelled by us except the 0 to 100 mapping itself, which is documented in full at trackpostcode.uk/methodology.

CATEGORY	SOURCE	MEASURED AT
Cost of living	ONS	Local authority, so every address in it shares this figure
Affordability	HM Land Registry	Local authority, so every address in it shares this figure
Safety	police.uk	Within about one mile of this point, latest published month
Weather	Met Office	Not scored: no Met Office station close enough
Employment	ONS / NOMIS	Local authority, so every address in it shares this figure
Housing	HM Land Registry	Local authority, so every address in it shares this figure
Transport	DfT NaPTAN	Stops within 800 m and the nearest railway station
Broadband	Ofcom Connected Nations	Local authority, so every address in it shares this figure
Environment	Defra UK-AIR	The Defra 1 km grid cell containing this point
Healthcare	OpenStreetMap	Services within about 2 km, hospitals within about 8 km
Education	DfE and devolved governments	Local authority, latest published year
Lifestyle	OpenStreetMap	Amenities within about 2 km of this exact point; private gardens no

How the overall score for Llandrindod Wells was calculated

Each category score is multiplied by its weight, the weights are rebalanced across whatever categories have data, and the results are added. No adjustment is applied afterwards.

CATEGORY	SCORE	BASE WEIGHT	REBALANCED	CONTRIBUTION
Cost of living	93	15%	20.0%	18.6
Affordability	79	15%	20.0%	15.8
Employment	58	10%	13.3%	7.7
Housing	99	10%	13.3%	13.2
Transport	70	5%	6.7%	4.7
Broadband	55	5%	6.7%	3.7
Environment	100	5%	6.7%	6.7
Healthcare	32	5%	6.7%	2.1
Education	83	5%	6.7%	5.5
Overall			100%	78

Rebalanced weights are the base weights divided by the total for the categories that carry data here, which is what stops a missing dataset dragging the overall score down. Contributions are rounded for display and may not sum to the exact total shown.

This report is a snapshot. The page behind it is not.

Crime data refreshes when police.uk publishes each month, house prices follow the monthly Land Registry index, and the score index behind the comparisons is rebuilt every night. The online version of this report always carries the current figures, along with the full breakdown behind every category.

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Rank by what matters to you

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