

Postcode to Parliamentary Constituency Table Notes

Table Structure

Field	Description
Postcode	The Full Postcode (eg UB7 0EB)
Postcode Sector	The Postcode Sector (eg UB7 0)
Postcode District	The Postcode District (eg UB7)
Postcode Area	The Postcode Area (eg UB)
Parliamentary Constituency Code	UK Westminster Parliamentary Constituency Code
Parliamentary Constituency Name	UK Westminster Parliamentary Constituency Name
Alternative Constituency	Welsh Assembly Constituency and Scottish Parliament Parliamentary Constituency
Country	Country the Postcode is located in.
MP Name	The name of the Member of Parliament currently holding the seat and the Party they represent

The Postcode

Formerly a Postcode could contain between 1 and over 300 addresses. This is now restricted to a maximum of 100 although the average number of addresses per Postcode is 15.

There can be only one Locality per Postcode, i.e. all addresses in a Postcode have the same Locality.

Formerly a Postcode could cover addresses on up to 12 Thoroughfares. This is now restricted to 1 although some historic Postcodes may contain more.

Parliamentary Constituency Code and Name

Westminster parliamentary constituencies are the areas used to elect Members of Parliament (MPs) to the House of Commons, which is the primary legislative chamber of the UK and is located in Westminster, London.

At the May 2010 election there were 650 constituencies. The number of MPs in each part of the UK is as follows:

Country	Number of constituencies/MPs
England	533
Scotland	59
Wales	40
Northern Ireland	18
United Kingdom	650

The Parliamentary Constituency code and name are matched to the Ward codes to provide the Constituency name for each Postcode in the United Kingdom.

Alternative Constituencies

In addition to the UK Westminster Parliamentary Constituency Codes and Names, this field provides the names of the Scottish Parliamentary Constituency for Scottish Postcodes and the National Assembly for Wales Constituency for Welsh Postcodes.