

SWISS VALLEY WARD: ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE

Policy Research and Information Section, Carmarthenshire County Council, January 2018

Councillors (Electoral Vote 2017): Giles Morgan (Independent). Turnout = 45.31%

Electorate (December 2017): 2,133

Population: 2,551 (2016 Mid Year Population Estimates, ONS)

Welsh Assembly and UK Parliamentary Constituency: Llanelli

Council owned Facilities: Swiss Valley C.P. School, The Ravine, Cwm Lliedi Reservoirs



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Location: Approximately 31km from Carmarthen Town

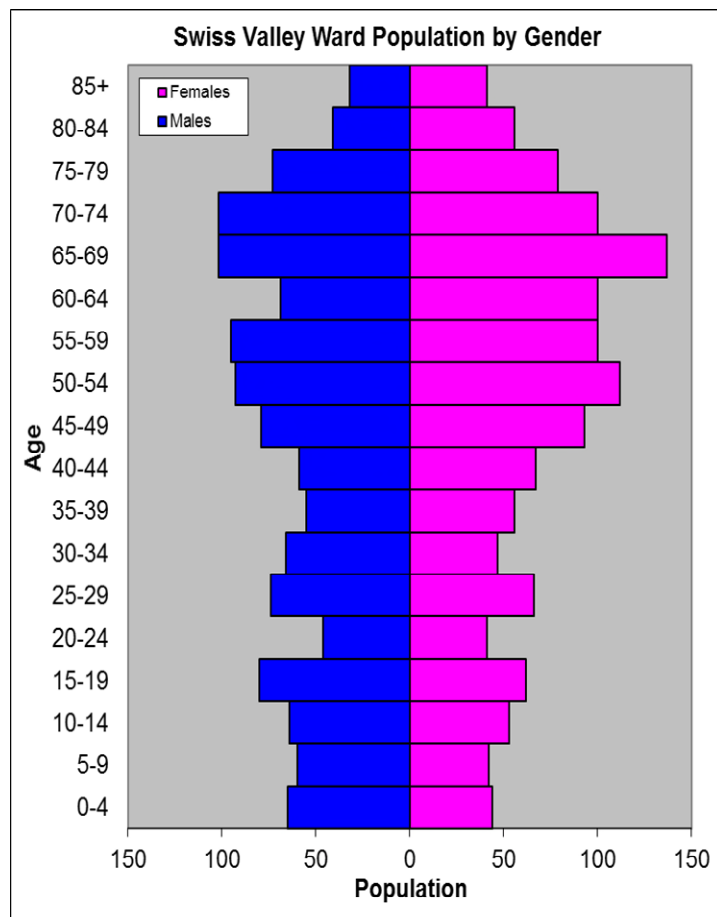
- ⇒ Area: 10.09km²
- ⇒ Population Density: 253 people per km²
- ⇒ Population Change: 2011-2016: +15 (+0.6%)
- ⇒ Major Employers: Carmarthenshire County Council (schools and leisure)

POPULATION STATISTICS

2016 Mid Year Population Estimates

Age Structure	Swiss Valley Population	Swiss Valley %	Carmarthenshire %
Aged: 0-4	109	4.3	5.3
5-14	219	8.6	11.3
15-24	229	9.0	10.8
25-44	490	19.2	21.6
45-64	741	29.0	28.0
65-74	441	17.3	12.8
75+	322	12.6	10.2
Total	2,551	100	100

Source: aggregated lower Super Output Area (LSOA) Small Area Population Estimates, 2016, Office for National Statistics (ONS)



- ⇒ 21st lowest ward population in Carmarthenshire, and 21st highest population density.
- ⇒ Highest proportion of people aged over 45, proportion aged over 65 higher than the Carmarthenshire Average.
- ⇒ High proportion of people with no qualifications
- ⇒ Low proportion of Welsh Speakers

2011 Census Data

Population: Key Facts	Swiss Valley	Swiss Valley %	Carmarthenshire
People: born in Wales	2118	83.5	76.0
born outside UK	100	3.9	4.1
in non-white ethnic groups	46	1.7	1.9
with limiting long-term illness	633	24.9	25.4
with no qualifications (aged 16-74)	463	21.3	26.8
with higher level qualifications (aged 16-74)	621	28.5	23.9
able to speak Welsh	822	33.1	43.9

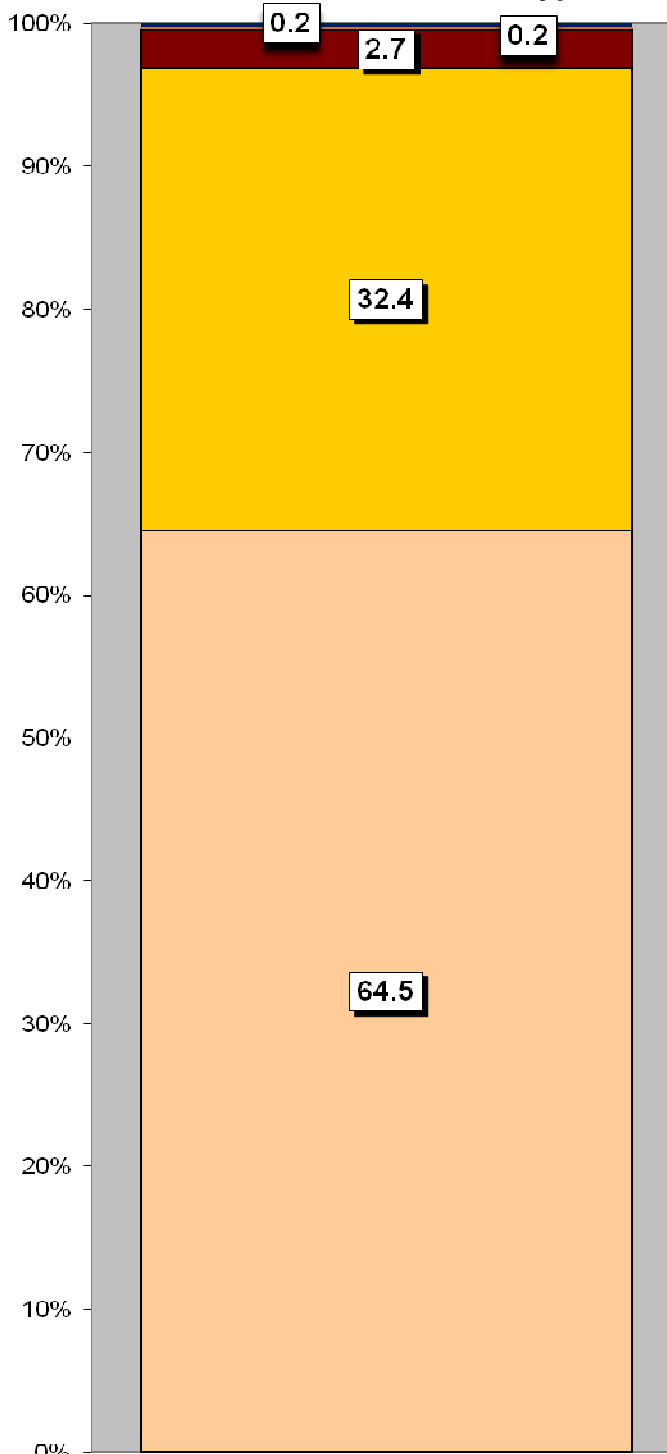
Household Composition	Swiss Valley	Swiss Valley %	Carmarthenshire
Total Households/ (Average Household Size)	1109	(2.3)	(2.3)
Household Type: one person: pensioner	165	14.9	14.8
one person: other	106	9.6	15.4
one family: all pensioners	151	13.6	9.8
one family: married couple	488	44.0	34.1
one family: cohabiting couple	76	6.9	8.7
one family: lone parent	80	7.2	11.3
one family: other	43	3.9	5.9

Source: 2011 Census, ONS

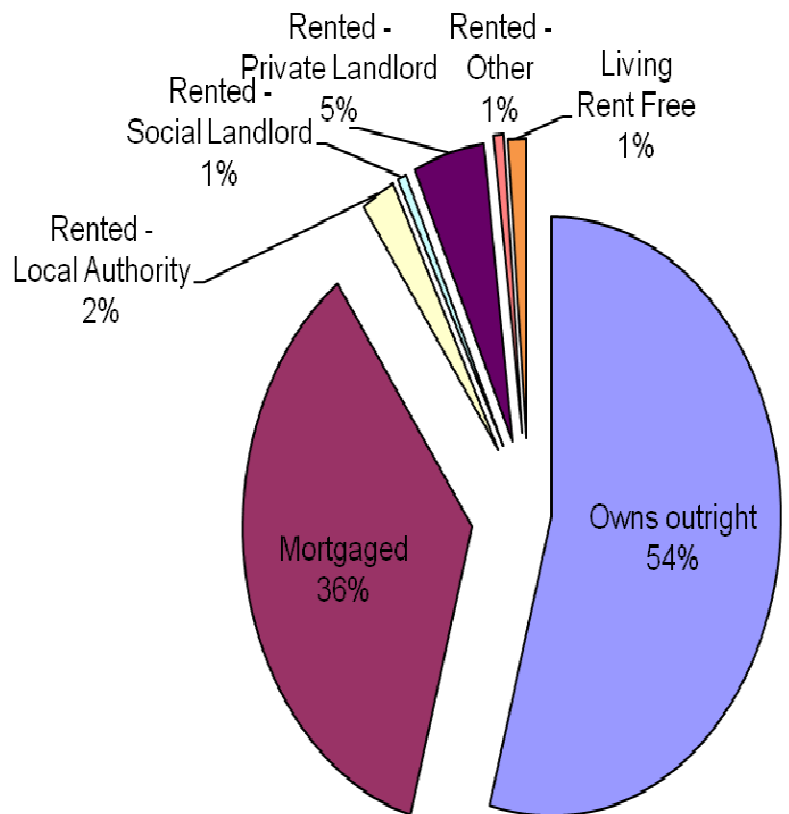
HOUSING

The area's housing consists mostly of detached and semi-detached houses with a small proportion of terraced housing. The ward consists of 26 local authority owned properties and 11 Housing Association properties.

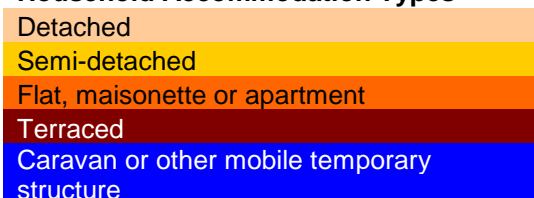
Household Accommodation Types



Household Tenure	%
Owns outright	54.4
Mortgaged	35.7
Rented - Local Authority	2.4
Rented - Social Landlord	0.6
Rented - Private Landlord	5.0
Rented - Other	0.7
Living Rent Free	1.3



Household Accommodation Types



SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

- ⇒ The estimated median household income for Swiss Valley, based on CACI's 2017 'PayCheck' data, is £32,286 which is the 6th highest (of 58 wards) in Carmarthenshire and 21.4% above the Carmarthenshire median of £25,365.
- ⇒ The social profile information indicates a higher than average level of people employed in higher and lower managerial and professional administrative occupations (Levels 1-2) and a lower than average number of people who have never worked and long term unemployed (Level 8).

Social Profile	Swiss Valley	%	Carmarthenshire %
<i>All people aged 16-74 in households</i>	1933	100	100
1: Higher Managerial & Professional Admin. Occupations	396	20.4	13.8
2: Lower Managerial & Professional Admin. Occupations	485	25.1	19.9
3: Intermediate Occupations	263	13.6	11.6
4: Small Employers & Own Account Workers	182	9.4	12.6
5: Lower Supervisory & Technical Occupations	150	7.8	7.6
6: Semi-routine Occupations	304	15.7	16.7
7: Routine Occupations	190	9.8	13.0
8: Never Worked & Long Term Unemployed	39	2.0	4.9

Source: 2011 Census, ONS

ECONOMY AND LABOUR MARKET

Benefit Claimants	Swiss Valley	Rate %	Carmarthenshire Working Population %
Unemployment Benefit (JSA): November 2017	6	0.4	1.0
Incapacity Benefits (ESA/IB/SDA) May 2017	75	5.2	9.1
Income Support: May 2017	10	0.7	1.6
Disability Living Allowance: May 2017	140	9.7	7.2
Pension Credit: May 2017 (Population 65+)	65	8.8	16.5
State Pension Claimants: May 2017	795	-	-

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

Economic Status (people aged 16-74)	Swiss Valley	Swiss Valley %	Carmarthenshire %
Economically Active	1218	63.0	64.9
Employees: Part-time	272	14.1	13.9
Employees: Full-time	687	35.5	33.7
Self-employed	168	8.7	11.0
Unemployed	35	1.8	3.7
Full-time Student	56	2.9	2.5
Economically Inactive	715	36.9	35.1
Retired	488	25.2	18.1
Student	66	3.4	4.5
Looking after home/family	47	2.4	3.8
Permanently sick/disabled	96	5.0	6.8
Other	18	0.9	1.9

Source: 2011 Census, ONS

WELSH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (WIMD)

WIMD 2014 based on fine-grained geography of lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs). The WIMD 2014 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, **Swiss Valley 1** ranks 110 in Carmarthenshire from 112 LSOAs (one of the least deprived LSOAs in the county) and is ranked 1745 in Wales from 1909 LSOAs. **Swiss Valley 2** ranks as the 97th most deprived area in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 1363 from 1909 LSOAs in Wales.

The highest level of deprivation attributed to **Swiss Valley 1** is the Access to Services domain, being ranked 57th in Carmarthenshire and 553rd in Wales for this domain. In **Swiss Valley 2** the Access to Services domain is also the most prominent ranking 53rd in Carmarthenshire and 517 in Wales.

Swiss Valley 1 – Westfa Swiss Valley 2 – Llethri

LSOA	Overall Index		Income		Employment		Health		Education		Access to Services		Community Safety		Physical Environment		Housing	
	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score
Swiss Valley 1	1745	110	1832	112	1617	110	1399	97	1806	112	553	57	1730	96	1675	106	1900	112
Swiss Valley 2	1363	97	1413	97	1114	74	934	60	1251	79	517	53	1673	88	1597	101	1831	111

Source: Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2014 (updated August 2016), Welsh Assembly Government.

Note: LSOAs ranked 1-112 (Carmarthenshire), 1-1909 (Wales).

CRIME

Swiss Valley	Offence Group												Annual Total				
	Arson & Criminal Damage	Burglary – Business & Community	Burglary – Residential	Drug Offences	Miscellaneous Crime Against Society	Possession of Weapons	Public Order Offences	Robbery	Sexual Offences	Theft	Vehicle Offences	Violence Against the Person					
Fiscal Year (1st April to 31st March)																	
2016/2017	7	3	1	3	2	1	0	1	2	5	2	13	40				

Source: Dyfed Powys Police, Headquarters, Llangunnor.

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