

Request

Why has there been a huge influx of Black Africans in the Wigan area?

Follow Up Query

After your reply concerning the influx of black Africans in Wigan I now request how many black Africans have come into the Wigan area over the past two years.

Response

The Freedom of Information Act 2000 entitles any person making a request for information to a public authority (a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and (b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to him. The Act defines information as information recorded in any form. The Council does not hold information on your question "why has there been" as it is requesting an opinion, not recorded information.

Follow Up Response

This information is also not held by the Council. Ethnicity data is available in the public domain via the Census. This is conducted every 10 years by the Office of National Statistics, the last one being in March 2021.

[Nomis - Official Census and Labour Market Statistics \(nomisweb.co.uk\)](http://nomisweb.co.uk)