



Wigan 
Council

Request

I request the report on rodent infestation in the Wigan area of Newtown

Response

Unfortunately we are unable to interrogate our system for just the Newtown area, but we can break down by Council Ward. As Newtown falls within the Douglas Ward, I have supplied the data for Douglas Ward. However, as the River Douglas also stretches along some of the Pemberton Ward, I have included those stats too.

It is also important to note that the reports for Pest Control refer to visits for the treatment of rodents and each report typically receives up to THREE visits. The figures provided therefore represent the number of visits, not unique premises. While the total could theoretically be divided by three to provide an approximate count, we have not done so as this would require reviewing every individual case to confirm how many visits were made to each premise. This would exceed the appropriate limit on time spent on completion of an FOI.

Households in Douglas ward: 5838 (approx.)

Households in Pemberton ward: 6034 (approx.)

Dates for report: 01/11/2024 – 01/11/2025

	Rats Outside (Pest Control)	Rats Inside (Pest Control)	Mice Inside (Pest Control)	Rats on Land	Total
Douglas Ward	91	133	90	2	316
Pemberton Ward	83	145	147	5	380

There is only one report directly for the Robin Park area in the past 12 months for rats.

There is no other record of infestations beyond these reports from residents.