

## Key Stage 4: Percentage obtaining GCSE's

### Attainment of 5 or more A\* to C Grades, Any Subject

- The percentage of pupils who achieve a minimum of five A\* to C grades in any subject has improved in Blackpool between 2005 and 2008.
- Compared to the North West (65.2%), Blackpool's statistical neighbours (60.96%), and England (64.8%), Blackpool has a lower percentage (53.4%) of pupils attaining five or more A\* to C Grades in any subject in 2008.

<b>Table 1a – KS4 (GCSE) Results: Percentage of pupils obtaining 5 or more A* to C grades in any subject</b>				
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Blackpool</b>	40.7	49.0	51.7	53.4
<b>North West</b>	53.9	56.5	60.1	65.2
<b>Stat Neighbours</b>	48.63	51.67	55.93	60.96
<b>England</b>	56.3	58.5	60.8	64.8

Source: [DCSF](#), January 2009  
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### Attainment of 5 or more A\* to C Grades, including English and Maths

- In 2008, Blackpool had a lower percentage (34.5%) of pupils attaining 5 or more A\* to C grades that included Maths and English, than the North West (47.4%), England (47.6%), and Blackpool's statistical neighbours (41.04%).
- The proportion of pupils attaining five or more A\* to C grades including English and Maths improved between 2005 and 2007, but remained broadly level between 2007 and 2008.

<b>Table 1b – KS4 (GCSE) Results: Percentage of pupils obtaining 5 or more A* to C grades including English and Maths</b>				
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Blackpool</b>	28.8	34.2	34.6	34.5
<b>North West</b>	40.8	42.2	44.7	47.4
<b>Stat Neighbours</b>	36.23	37.51	39.84	41.04
<b>England</b>	44.9	45.8	46.7	47.6

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### Attainment of any GCSE passes

- In 2008, Blackpool had a higher percentage obtaining any passes at Key Stage 4 than in England (98.6%) and the North West (98.0%).
- Blackpool has shown an increase in the percentage of pupils obtaining any passes at KS4 between 2005 and 2008.

<b>Table 1c – KS4 (GCSE) Results: Percentage of pupils obtaining any GCSE passes</b>				
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Blackpool</b>	95.9	97.7	98.2	98.8
<b>North West</b>	96.3	96.9	97.4	98.0
<b>Stat Neighbours</b>	96.3	97.2	97.1	97.8
<b>England</b>	97.4	97.8	97.8	98.6

Source: [DCSF](#), January 2009  
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