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Lancashire perspective
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Why people migrate ?

economic

social

political

environmental



Economic migration

This is when people move to find work or follow a particular career path.



Social migration

This is when people move somewhere for a better quality of life or to be closer to family or friends.



Political migration

This is when people move to escape political persecution or war.



Environmental migration

Causes of migration include natural disasters such as earthquakes and flooding.



Settled Migrant Communities in Lancashire

- South Asian
- Chinese
- African & Caribbean
- European migrants - Polish



Recent Migrant Communities in Lancashire

Predominantly from the Baltic States e.g. Poland, Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Estonia settled in to urban parts of Lancashire primarily for economic and social migration.





Languages spoken

Figures from 2008 show that a total of 72 different first languages were spoken in Lancashire Schools. Most common languages were the South Asian languages e.g. Punjabi, Gujarati, Urdu, Bangla

Value of languages attached by communities

Languages develop alongside historical events. So depending on the nature of the event, communities will attach different values to languages. Value of languages will be evident on how strongly communities preserve the language.



Activities & opportunities to promote, use and value first languages.

Employment e.g. bilingual classroom assistants, translators & interpreters.

Supplementary Schools.

Libraries – diverse range of reading materials, newspapers & magazines serving the needs of the community.

Language Societies – to encourage use of first languages.

