

The Listener Crossword Setters' Addresses 1988

Solvers may be interested in a once-off (since there is little change from year to year) analysis of their geographical spread.

The counties are a mixture of new and old, familiarity and/or comprehensibility being the aim. Treatment of e.g. Stockport (Cheshire/Greater Manchester) or Croydon (Surrey/ Greater London) may not have been consistent.

Later addresses were used where changes occurred.

England

Avon	23	Herefordshire	4	Oxfordshire	30
Bedfordshire	9	Hertfordshire	27	Shropshire	6
Berkshire	20	N. Humberside	2	Somerset	9
Buckinghamshire	12	S. Humberside	3	Staffordshire	5
Cambridgeshire	23	Kent	23	Suffolk	4
Cheshire	17	Lancashire	13	Surrey	38
Cleveland	8	Leicestershire	7	Sussex (E & W)	43
Cornwall	8	Lincolnshire	4	Tyne & Wear	14
Cumbria	6	Greater London	131	Warwickshire	10
Derbyshire	11	(incl. Middlesex)		West Midlands	21
Devon	17	Greater Manchester	21	Wiltshire	17
Dorset	12	Merseyside	12	Worcestershire	6
Durham	2	Norfolk	5	N. Yorkshire	11
Essex	30	Northamptonshire	5	S. Yorkshire	8
Gloucestershire	21	Northumberland	2	W. Yorkshire	25
Hampshire	25	Nottinghamshire	16		

Scotland

Aberdeenshire	2	Other Lothians	4	Perthshire	2
Argyllshire	1	Fifeshire	7	Renfrewshire	4
Ayrshire	1	Glasgow	11	Ross-shire	2
Dumfries-shire	1	Inverness-shire	1	Shetland Islands	1
Dundee	1	Isle of Arran	1	Stirlingshire	1
Edinburgh	9	Isle of Mull	1	Sutherland	1

Wales

Clwyd	6	Glamorgan	11	Gwynedd	9
Dyfed	3	Gwent	5	Powys	—

<u>Isle of Wight</u>	1	<u>Isle of Man</u>	1	<u>Channel Islands</u>	1
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<u>Northern Ireland</u>	2	<u>Republic of Ireland</u>	5		
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Overseas

Australia	2	France	1	South Africa	1
Bahamas	1	Germany (W)	2	Spain	1
Belgium	2	New Zealand	1	Switzerland	1
Canada	1	(Sultanate of) Oman	1	U.S.A.	6