Belfast – One City Conference 2013

Bridging the gap: peace, prosperity and our inner city communities

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Social class - how do we measure the gap?

The measure of inequality

A male in Whiterock in west Belfast can expect to live 12 years less than a male in Wallace Park, Lisburn.

Ten most disadvantaged areas

1. Whiterock	6. Crumlin
2. Falls	7. Clonard
3. New Lodge	8. Creggan Central
4. Shankill	9. Ardoyne
5. East (Strabane)	10. Twinbrook

Ten least disadvantaged areas

1. Wallace Park, Lisburn	6. Jordanstown, N'abbey
2. Hillfoot, Castlereagh	7. Stormont, Belfast
3. Cairnshill, Castlereagh	8. Ballymacash, Lisburn
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Inequalities

Households in poverty:

• Protestants: 17%

• Catholics: 22%

Deprivation indices

(Family Resources Survey, 2013)

Don't have enough to:	Protestant	Catholic
Replace worn-out furniture	31%	55%
Prevent falling behind in one or more household bill	34%	56%
Have money to spend on yourself (not on your family)	33%	55%

Inequalities

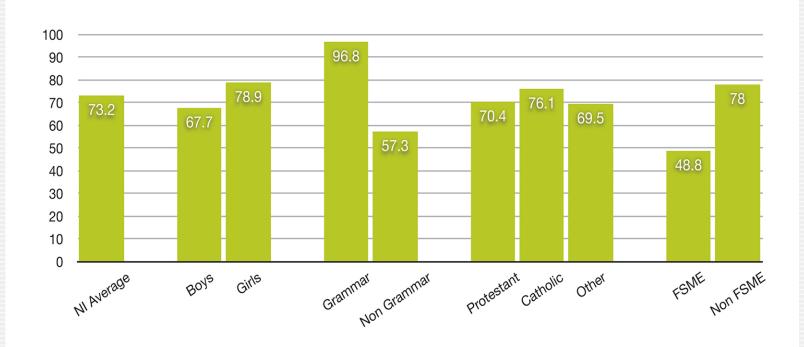
Youth unemployment:

Protestant: 15%

Catholic: 20%

Education inequalities

Percentage of School Leavers achieving 2+ A Levels Grades A*-E (including equivalents) 2010/11



Education inequalities

Success at A-level (A*-E)

Catholic girls not on free school meals: 66.2%

Protestant boys on free school meals: 13.4%

Areas with lowest educational attainment

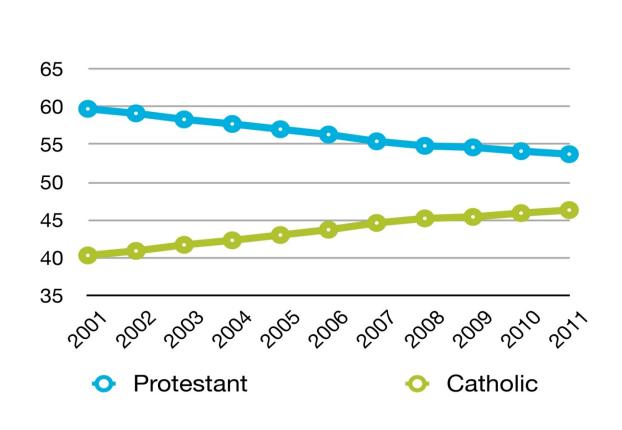
1		Shankill	6	Ballymacarrett
2	2	Crumlin	7	The Mount
3	3	Woodvale	8	Whiterock
2	1	Falls	9	Duncairn
5	5	Dunnaney	10	Shaftesbury

Higher education in NI

Protestants: 30%

• Catholics: 41%

Changes in the labour market



How much have our lives improved?

- The lives of Catholics: 42
- The lives of Protestants: 6

Source: Survey by John Garry, QUB, 2013

The Mount

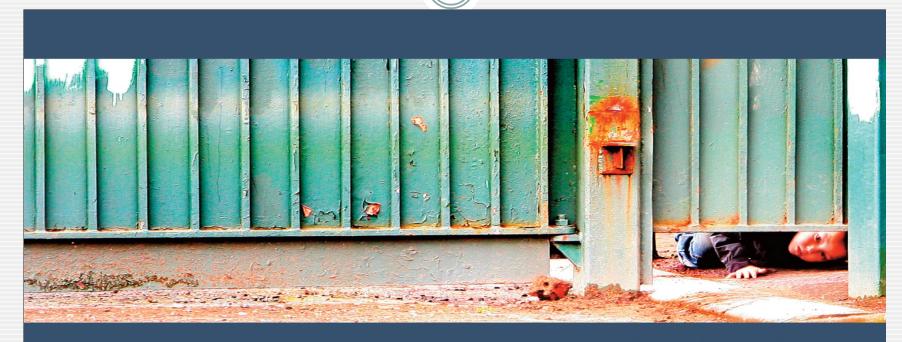
	Protestant	Catholic	Other
• 2001	90%	4%	6%
• 2011	68%	16%	16%

Loyalist discontent

The power of narratives



The power of evidence?



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