



# NOT SUITABLE HOUSING (2011) DURHAM REGION

by Health Neighbourhood

**Percentage of households  
with not suitable housing**

**Number of  
Neighbourhoods**

1.8% to 3.2%

(10)

3.5% to 4.0%

(10)

4.1% to 4.9%

(10)

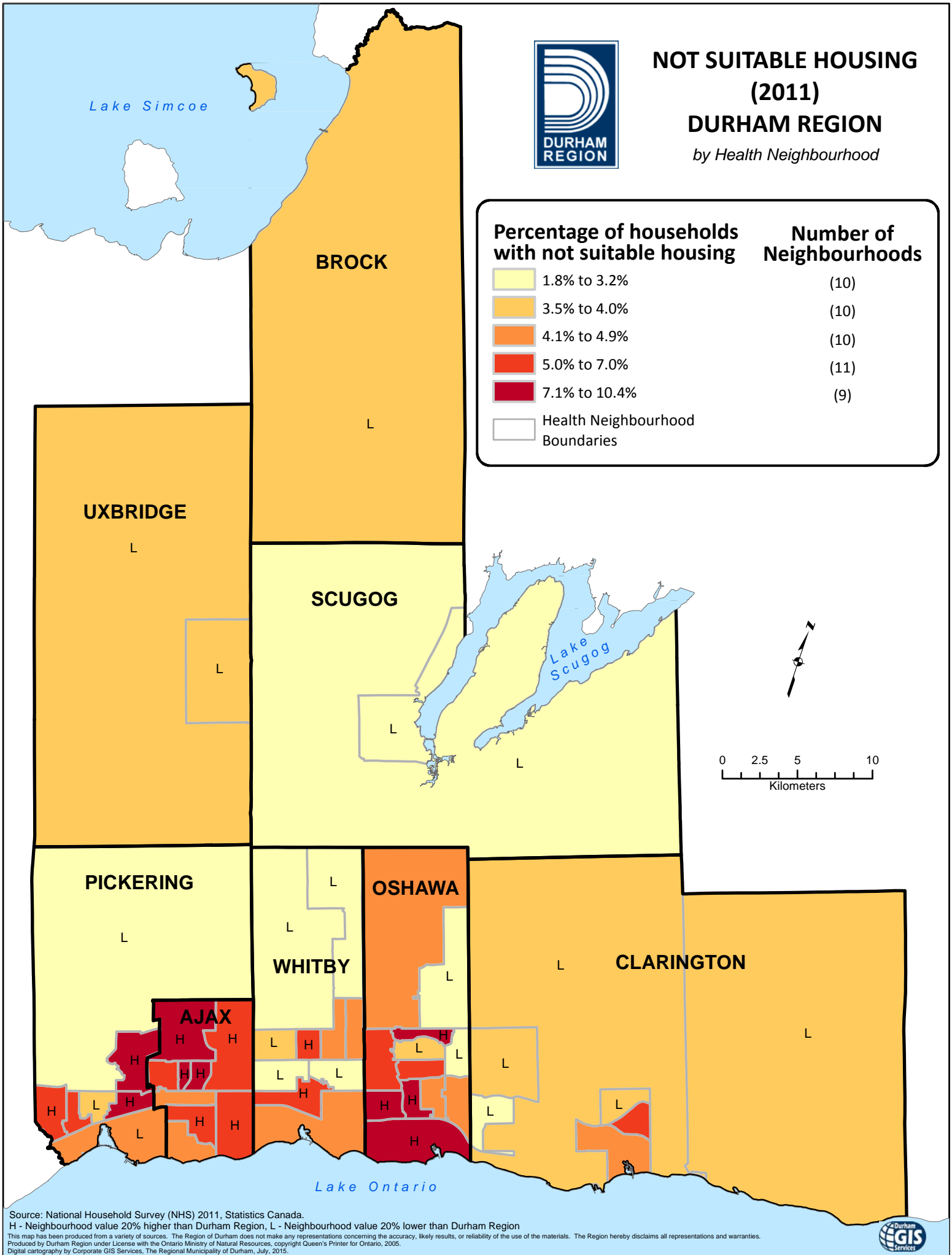
5.0% to 7.0%

(11)

7.1% to 10.4%

(9)

Health Neighbourhood  
Boundaries




Source: National Household Survey (NHS) 2011, Statistics Canada.  
H - Neighbourhood value 20% higher than Durham Region, L - Neighbourhood value 20% lower than Durham Region

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**Table 1: Health Neighbourhoods Indicator Summary** ↴ Lower is Better

	Percentage	Compared to Durham Rate		
		Lower	Similar	Higher
<b>Pickering</b>	<b>5.6%</b>			
Frenchman's Bay (P1)	4.1%	↴		
West Rouge (P2)	7.0%			↗
Amberlee (P3)	5.1%			
Dunbarton (P4)	3.6%	↴		
Pickering City Centre (P5)	9.4%			↗
Brock Ridge Pickering (P6)	7.9%			↗
Pickering North (P7)	2.0%	↴		
<b>Ajax</b>	<b>6.7%</b>			↗
Ajax Waterfront (A1)	4.6%			
Downtown Ajax (A2)	7.0%			↗
Carruthers (A3)	6.9%			↗
Central Ajax (A4)	4.9%			
Riverside-Hermitage (A5)	6.1%			
Westney Heights (A6)	8.2%			↗
Applecroft (A7)	10.4%			↗
Ajax Northwest (A8)	7.4%			↗
Ajax Northeast (A9)	6.2%			↗
<b>Whitby</b>	<b>4.2%</b>			
Whitby South (W1)	4.9%			
Downtown Whitby (W2)	6.2%			↗
Cochrane South (W3)	2.2%	↴		
Manning (W4)	3.0%	↴		
Williamsburg (W5)	3.8%	↴		
Whitby Brock North (W6)	6.9%			↗
Dryden-Anderson (W7)	4.5%			
Dryden East (W8)	4.3%			
Brooklin East (W9)	1.8%	↴		
Brooklin West (W10)	3.0%	↴		
<b>Oshawa</b>	<b>5.7%</b>			
Lakeview (O1)	8.6%			↗
Gibb West (O2)	7.1%			↗
Downtown Oshawa (O3)	8.4%			↗
Central Park (O4)	4.6%			
Grandview South (O5)	4.3%			
Stevenson North (O6)	5.3%			
Hillsdale (O7)	5.7%			
Beatrice South (O8)	3.8%	↴		
Grandview North (O9)	2.4%	↴		
Beatrice North (O10)	8.6%			↗
Oshawa Northwest (O11)	4.3%			
Oshawa Northeast (O12)	3.2%	↴		
<b>Clarington</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	↴		
Courtice South (C1)	3.1%	↴		
Courtice North (C2)	3.6%	↴		
Bowmanville South (C3)	4.5%			
Bowmanville Central (C4)	5.0%			
Bowmanville North (C5)	3.7%	↴		
Darlington (C6)	3.9%	↴		
Clarke (C7)	3.6%	↴		
<b>Scugog</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	↴		
Port Perry (S1)	1.8%	↴		
Rural Scugog (S2)	2.7%	↴		
<b>Uxbridge</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	↴		
Urban Uxbridge (U1)	4.0%	↴		
Rural Uxbridge (U2)	3.5%	↴		
<b>Brock</b>				
Brock (B1)	3.9%	↴		
<b>Durham Region</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	Lower than Ontario		
<b>Range</b>	1.8% - 10.4%			
<b>Ontario</b>	<b>7.2%</b>			

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Source: National Household Survey (NHS) 2011, Statistics Canada.

Note: "Lower" (down arrow) refers to at least 20% lower than the Durham Region rate, "Higher" (up arrow) refers to at least 20%

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Table 2: List of Health Neighbourhoods ranked from lowest to highest

Order	Health Neighbourhood	Percentage	Compared with Durham Region (Lower is better)	Quintile
1	Brooklin East (W9)	1.8%	LOWER	1
2	Port Perry (S1)	1.8%	LOWER	1
3	Pickering North (P7)	2.0%	LOWER	1
4	Cochrane South (W3)	2.2%	LOWER	1
5	Grandview North (O9)	2.4%	LOWER	1
6	Rural Scugog (S2)	2.7%	LOWER	1
7	Brooklin West (W10)	3.0%	LOWER	1
8	Manning (W4)	3.0%	LOWER	1
9	Courtice South (C1)	3.1%	LOWER	1
10	Oshawa Northeast (O12)	3.2%	LOWER	1
11	Rural Uxbridge (U2)	3.5%	LOWER	2
12	Courtice North (C2)	3.6%	LOWER	2
13	Dunbarton (P4)	3.6%	LOWER	2
14	Clarke (C7)	3.6%	LOWER	2
15	Bowmanville North (C5)	3.7%	LOWER	2
16	Williamsburg (W5)	3.8%	LOWER	2
17	Beatrice South (O8)	3.8%	LOWER	2
18	Darlington (C6)	3.9%	LOWER	2
19	Brock (B1)	3.9%	LOWER	2
20	Urban Uxbridge (U1)	4.0%	LOWER	2
21	Frenchman's Bay (P1)	4.1%	LOWER	3
22	Grandview South (O5)	4.3%	similar	3
23	Oshawa Northwest (O11)	4.3%	similar	3
24	Dryden East (W8)	4.3%	similar	3
25	Dryden-Anderson (W7)	4.5%	similar	3
26	Bowmanville South (C3)	4.5%	similar	3
27	Central Park (O4)	4.6%	similar	3
28	Ajax Waterfront (A1)	4.6%	similar	3
29	Whitby South (W1)	4.9%	similar	3
30	Central Ajax (A4)	4.9%	similar	3
31	Bowmanville Central (C4)	5.0%	similar	4
32	Amberlee (P3)	5.1%	similar	4
33	Stevenson North (O6)	5.3%	similar	4
34	Hillsdale (O7)	5.7%	similar	4
35	Riverside-Hermitage (A5)	6.1%	similar	4
36	Downtown Whitby (W2)	6.2%	HIGHER	4
37	Ajax Northeast (A9)	6.2%	HIGHER	4
38	Carruthers (A3)	6.9%	HIGHER	4
39	Whitby Brock North (W6)	6.9%	HIGHER	4
40	Downtown Ajax (A2)	7.0%	HIGHER	4
41	West Rouge (P2)	7.0%	HIGHER	4
42	Gibb West (O2)	7.1%	HIGHER	5
43	Ajax Northwest (A8)	7.4%	HIGHER	5
44	Brock Ridge Pickering (P6)	7.9%	HIGHER	5
45	Westney Heights (A6)	8.2%	HIGHER	5
46	Downtown Oshawa (O3)	8.4%	HIGHER	5
47	Beatrice North (O10)	8.6%	HIGHER	5
48	Lakeview (O1)	8.6%	HIGHER	5
49	Pickering City Centre (P5)	9.4%	HIGHER	5
50	Applecroft (A7)	10.4%	HIGHER	5

## Not Suitable Housing (2011)

Table 3: Percentage of households with not suitable housing by Durham Region Municipality

Municipality	Percentage	Compared to Durham Region (Lower is Better)
Pickering	5.6%	similar
Ajax	6.7%	<b>HIGHER</b>
Whitby	4.2%	similar
Oshawa	5.7%	similar
Clarington	3.9%	<b>LOWER</b>
Scugog	2.3%	<b>LOWER</b>
Uxbridge	3.7%	<b>LOWER</b>
Brock	3.9%	<b>LOWER</b>
Durham Region	5.1%	Lower than Ontario
Ontario	7.2%	

### What you need to know

- A lower percentage of not suitable housing (i.e., housing smaller than what the family needs) is better for health.
- The percentage of not suitable housing ranges by Health Neighbourhood from 1.8% to 10.4%.
- Neighbourhoods with not suitable housing are highest in Ajax, as well as some in Oshawa, Pickering and Whitby. Many of the Priority Neighbourhoods have high percentages of not suitable housing.

### Indicator Notes

- This indicator measures the percentage of households that do not have the required number of bedrooms as measured by the National Occupancy Standard, based on the age, sex, and relationships among household members. See: [National Household Survey Dictionary, 2011](#).
- Source: National Household Survey (NHS) 2011, Statistics Canada.
- This indicator is a component of core housing need, which is assessed by combining three factors: major dwelling repairs needed, shelter costs of 30% or more, and not suitable housing. Although all three of these housing indicators are mapped separately by Health Neighbourhood, core housing need was not available at this geographical level.
- The NHS replaced the long-form Census in 2011. As a voluntary survey, the NHS has more non-response bias than a census so there is a risk that the results are not representative of the actual population, especially in smaller areas or population groups.
- Statistics Canada uses the global non-response rate (GNR) to assess the quality of the NHS estimates for various geographies. NHS estimates for any area with a GNR greater than or equal to 50% have a high level of error and should not be released.
- The GNR ranges by Health Neighbourhood from 19.3% to 46.9%. In general, rural areas tend to have a higher GNR.
- Neighbourhoods were sorted into five groupings (quintiles) based on the not suitable housing rate. Approximately 10 Neighbourhoods are in each quintile.
- Lower refers to at least 20% lower than Durham Region. Higher refers to at least 20% higher.
- Priority Neighbourhoods were identified in December 2015 as communities that require focus to build on health and well-being. The Priority Neighbourhoods are: 1) Downtown Ajax – Ajax, 2) Downtown Whitby – Whitby, 3) Lakeview – Oshawa, 4) Gibb West – Oshawa, 5) Downtown Oshawa – Oshawa, 6) Central Park – Oshawa, 7) Beatrice North – Oshawa.

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For more information, refer to The Guide to Health Neighbourhoods.

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