

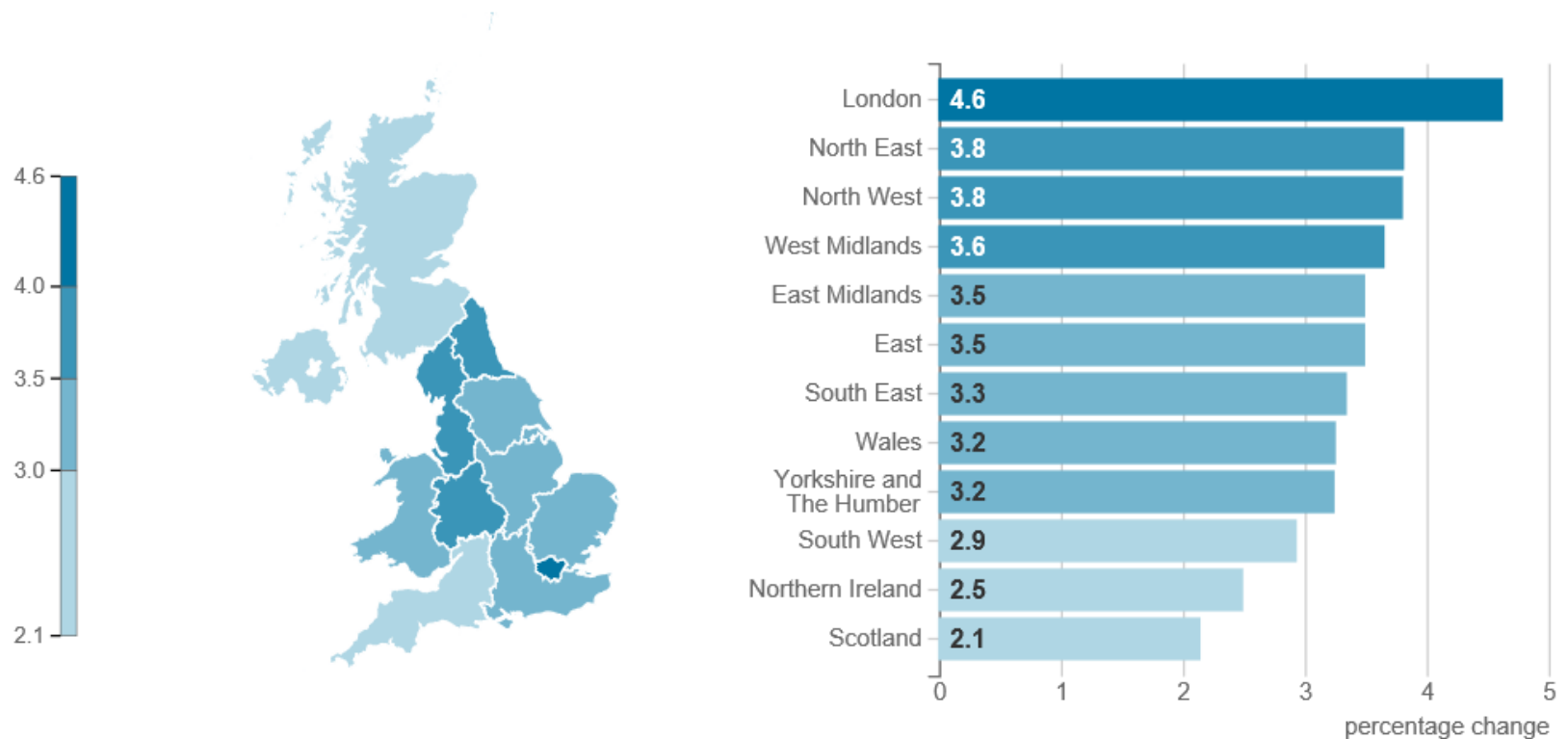


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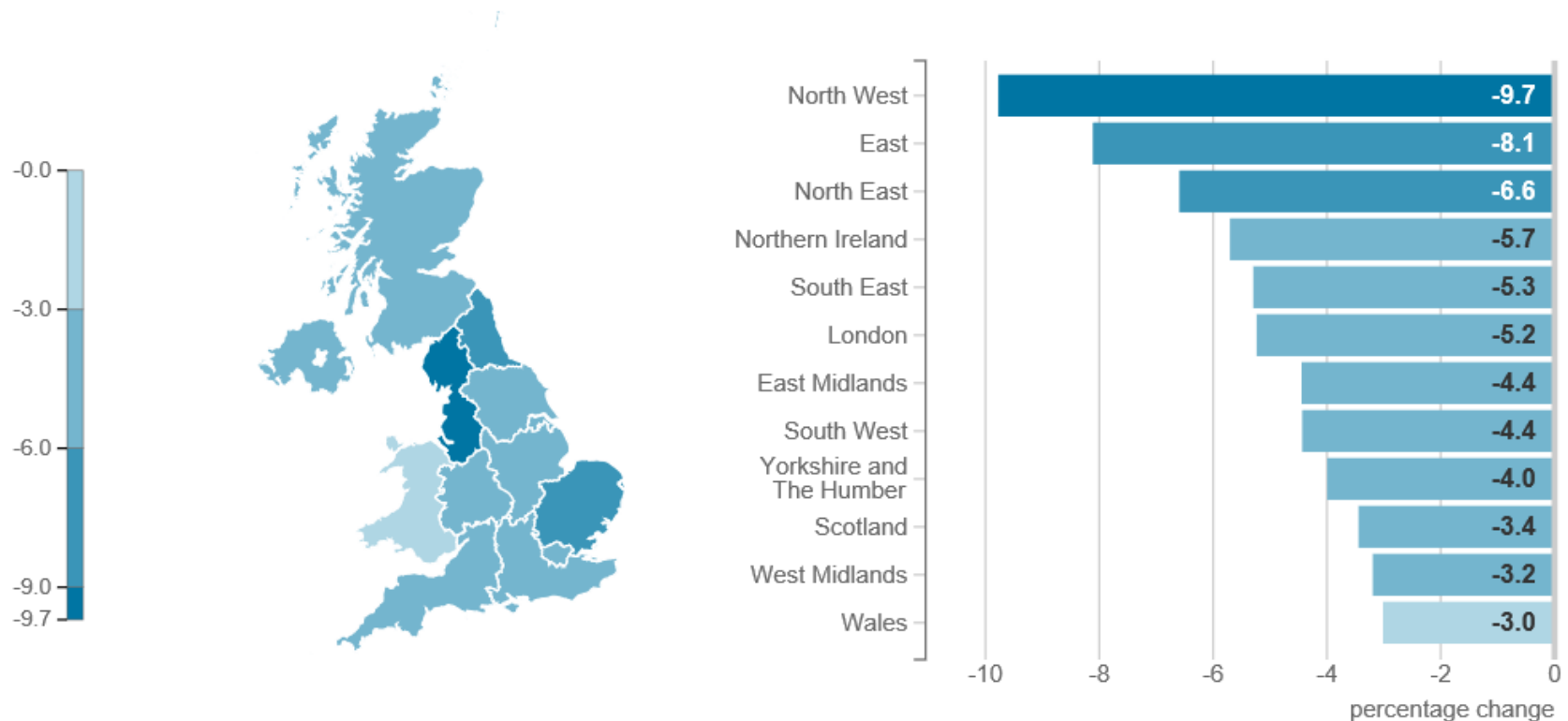


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Participants were asked the following questions:

- Life Satisfaction Question: Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays? Where 0 is 'not at all satisfied' and 10 is 'completely satisfied'.
- Worthwhile Question: Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile? Where 0 is 'not at all worthwhile' and 10 is 'completely worthwhile'.
- Happiness Question: Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday? Where 0 is 'not at all happy' and 10 is 'completely happy'.
- Anxiety Question: Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday? Where 0 is 'not at all anxious' and 10 is 'completely anxious'.

The sample size for Barnsley in 2018/19 was **720**.



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High Score Definitions

- **High Life Satisfaction:** The percentage of respondents scoring 7-10 to the question "Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays".
- **High Worthwhile:** The percentage of respondents scoring 7-10 to the question "Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile?"
- **High Happiness:** The percentage of respondents scoring 7-10 to the question "Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday?"
- **High Anxiety:** The percentage of respondents scoring 7-10 to the question "Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday?"

Life Satisfaction

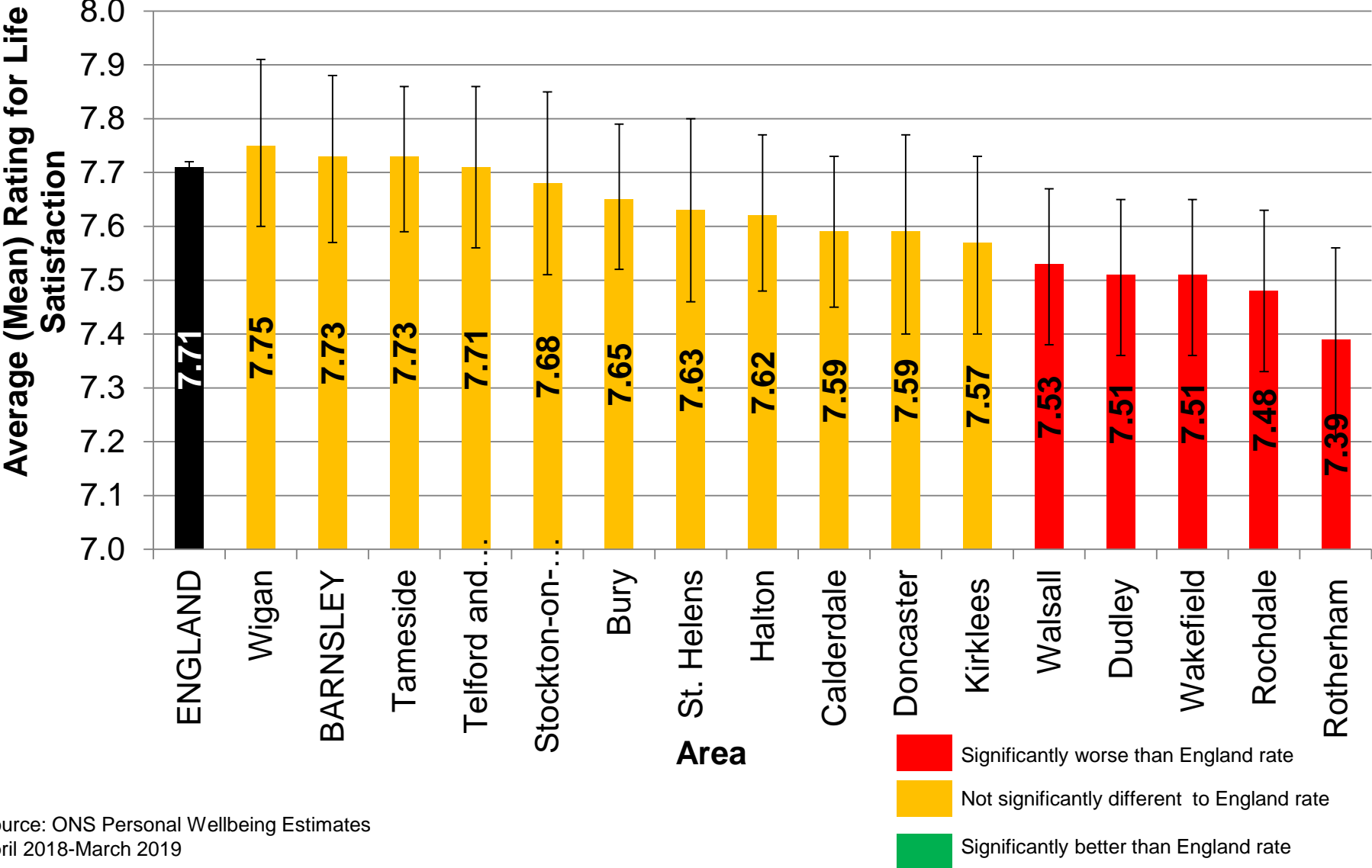
Life Satisfaction:

- Barnsley's 2018/19 average life satisfaction score (7.73) is slightly better than the England score of 7.71 but not significantly.
- Compared to statistical neighbours, Barnsley's rate is the joint second highest, and the joint fourth highest within the Y&H group.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the same as Sheffield's, and better than Doncaster and Rotherham (significantly better than Rotherham).
- The rate has **increased significantly** from the 2011/12 rate of 7.26.

High Life Satisfaction:

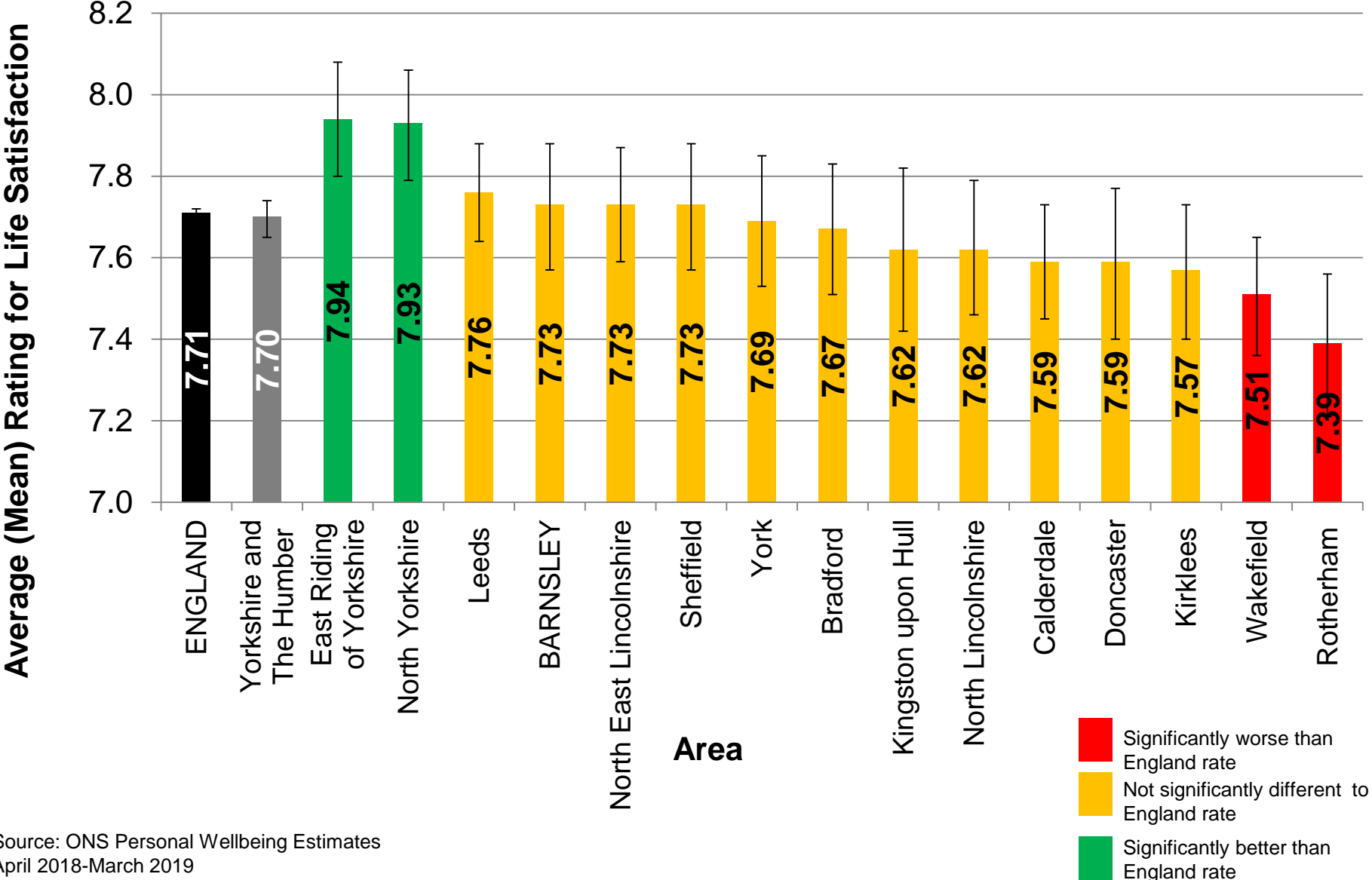
- More than three quarters (79.69%) of Barnsley respondents had a high life satisfaction score in 2018/19; slightly lower than the Y&H and England rates of 81.14% and 82.3% respectively .
- Compared to statistical neighbours, Barnsley's rate is the 7th highest, and in the second best quartile.
- Compared to other Y&H authorities, Barnsley's rate is the 7th lowest, and in the second worst quartile.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the second highest (after Sheffield).
- The rate has **increased** from the 2011/12 rate of 71.87%.

Life Satisfaction: Barnsley compared with statistical neighbours



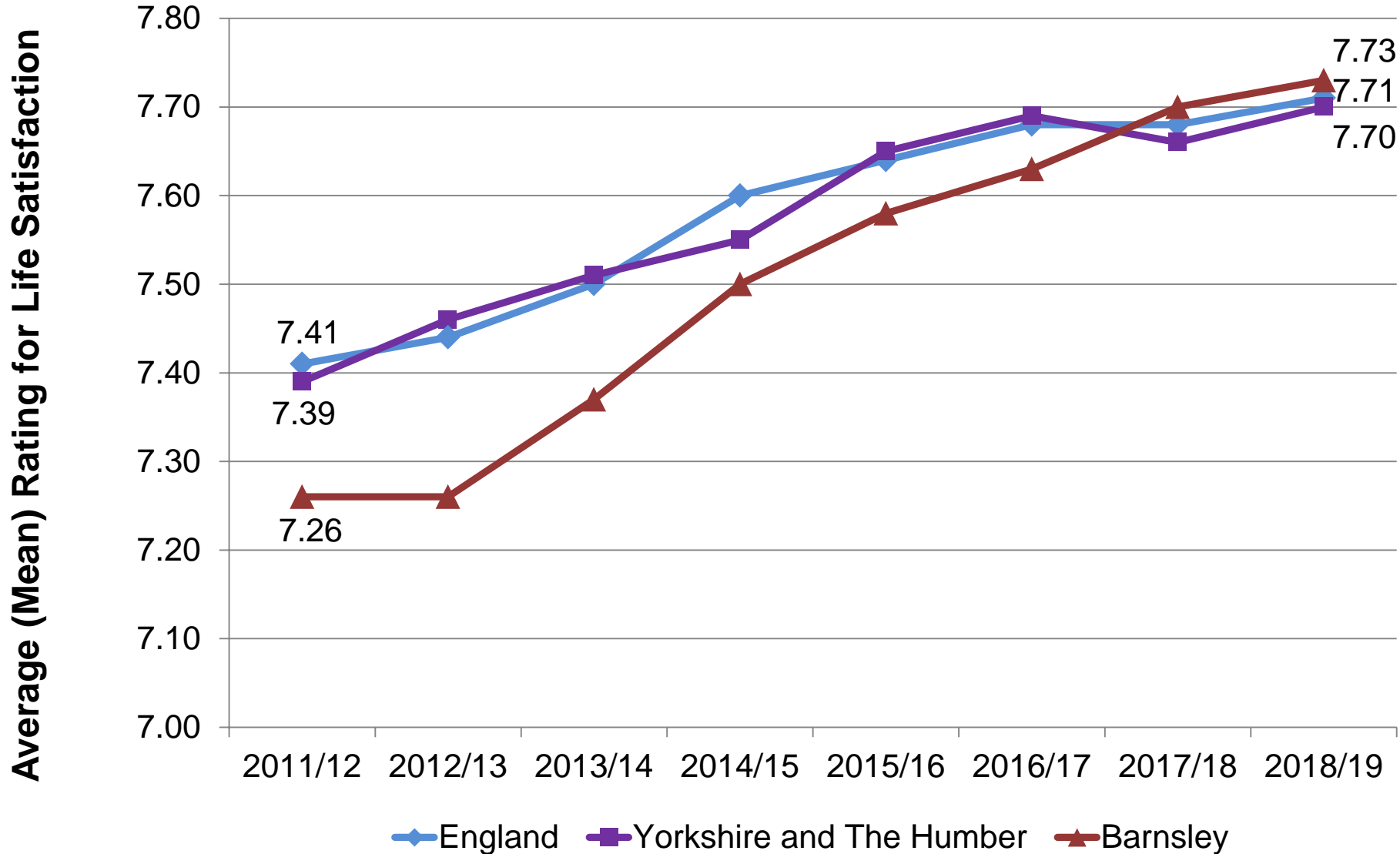
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Life Satisfaction: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



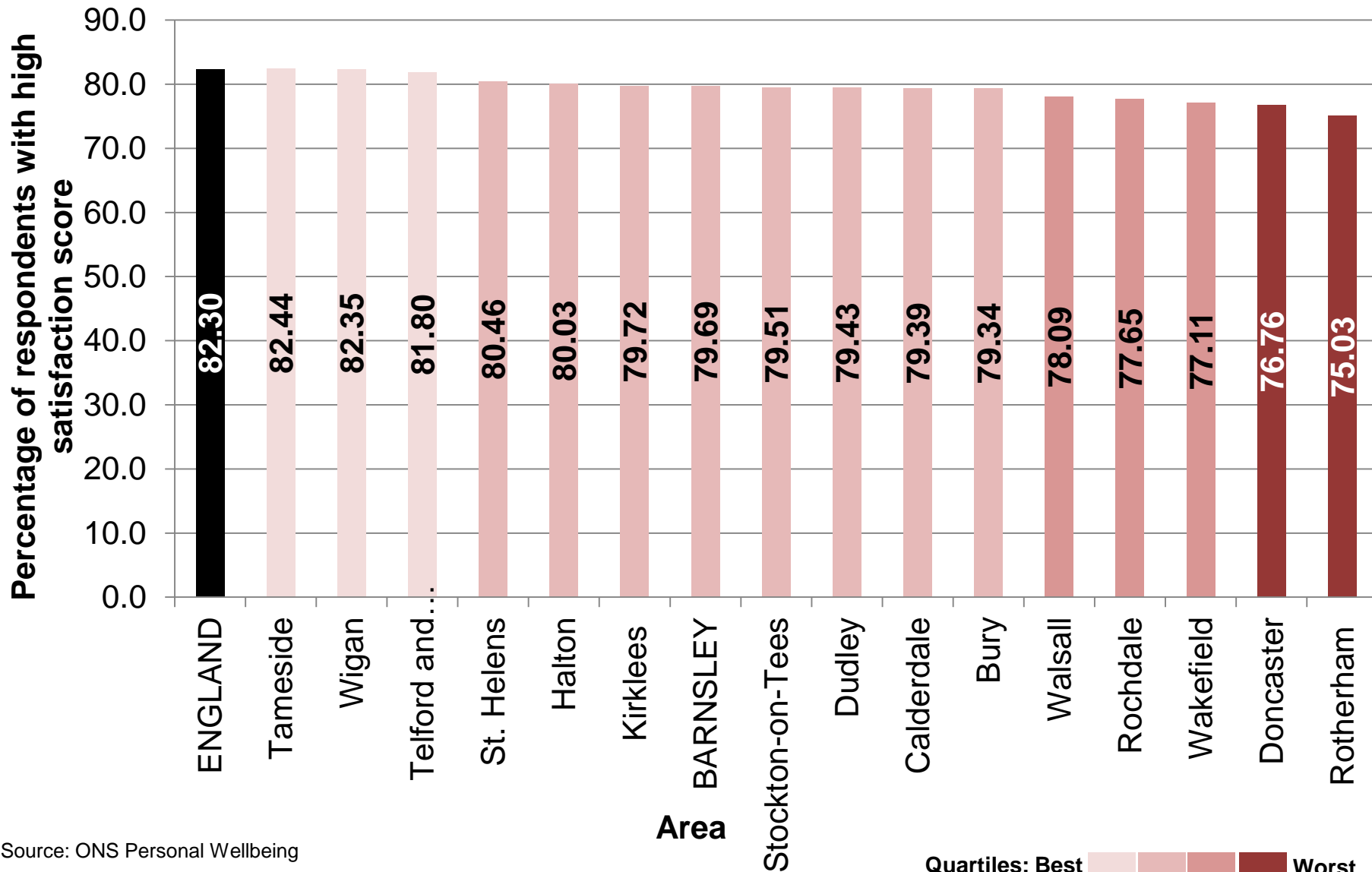
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Life Satisfaction: Trend

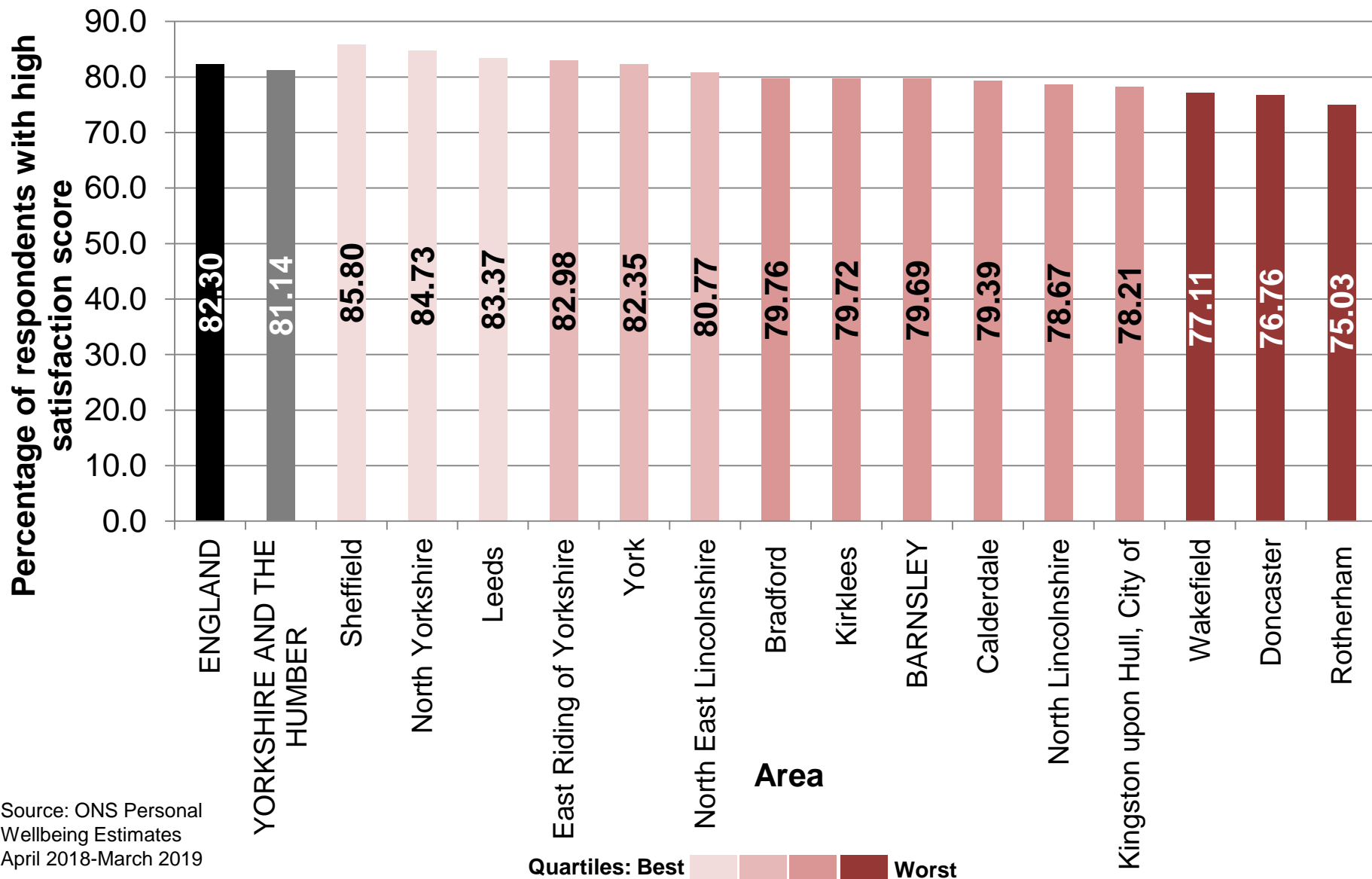


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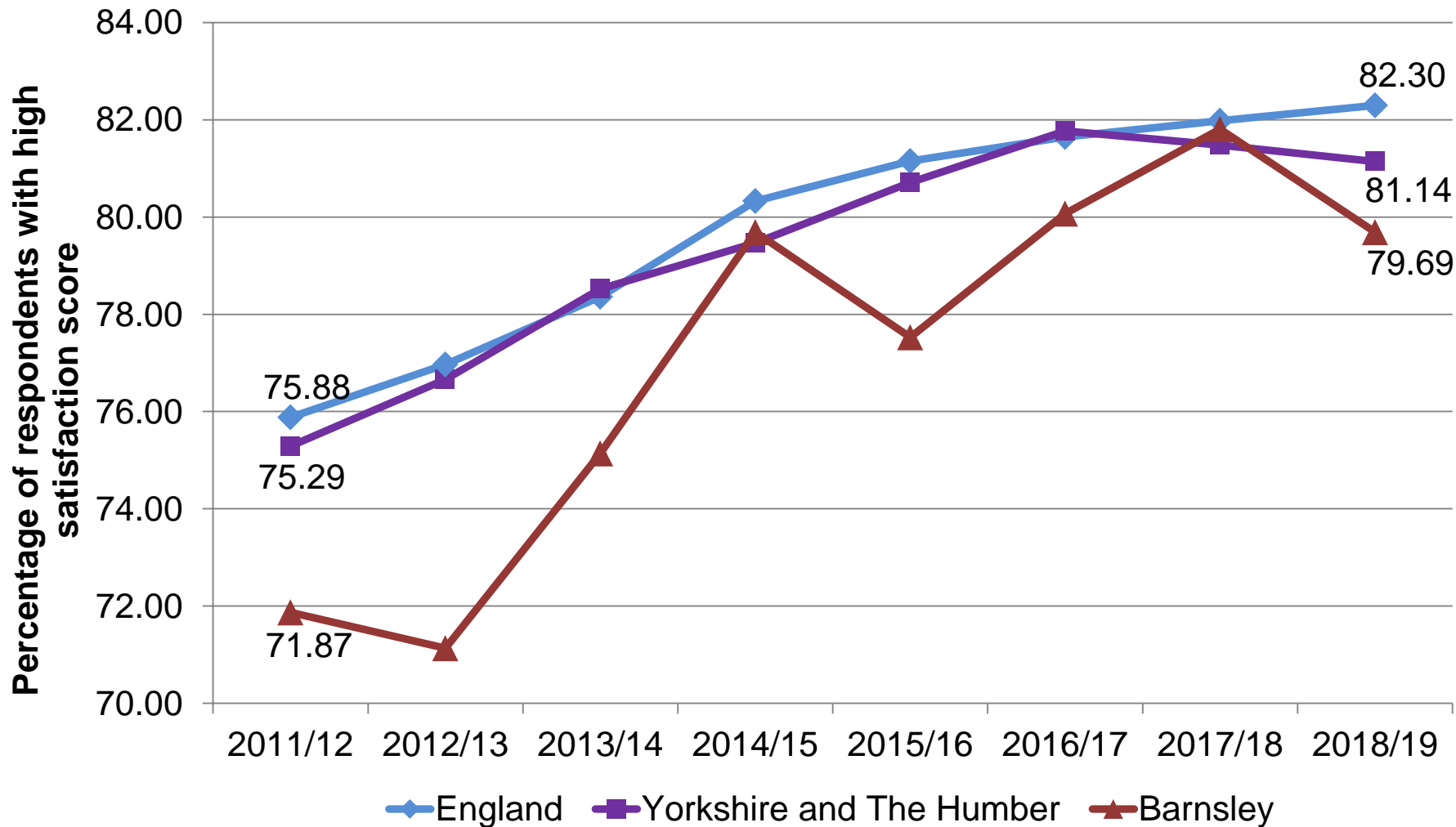


High Life Satisfaction: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



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High Life Satisfaction: Trend



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Worthwhile

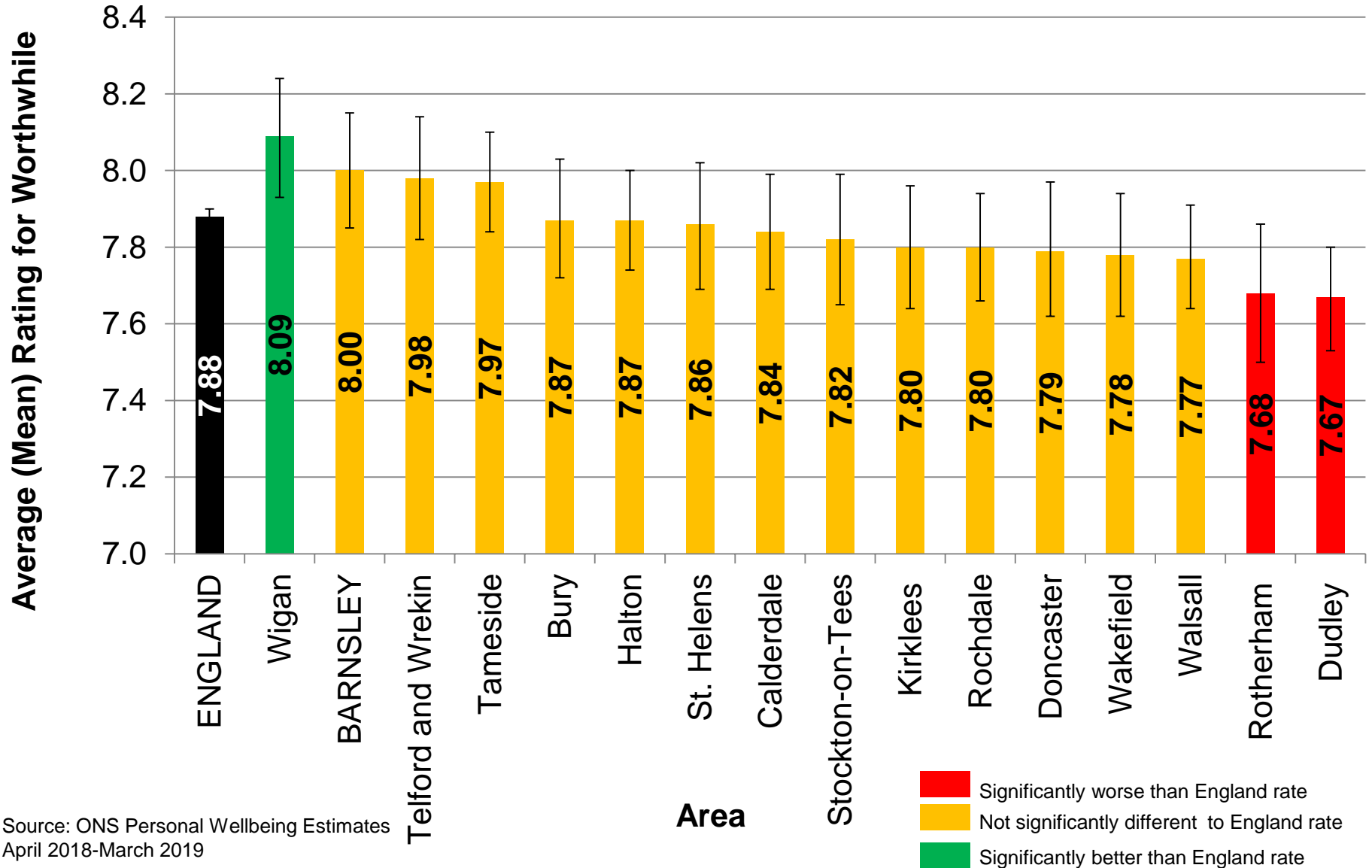
Worthwhile:

- Barnsley's 2018/19 average score (8.00) is slightly better than the England score of 7.88 but not significantly.
- Barnsley's rate is the second highest within both the statistical neighbours and the Y&H groups.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the best, but not significantly better.
- The rate has **increased significantly** from the 2011/12 rate of 7.51.

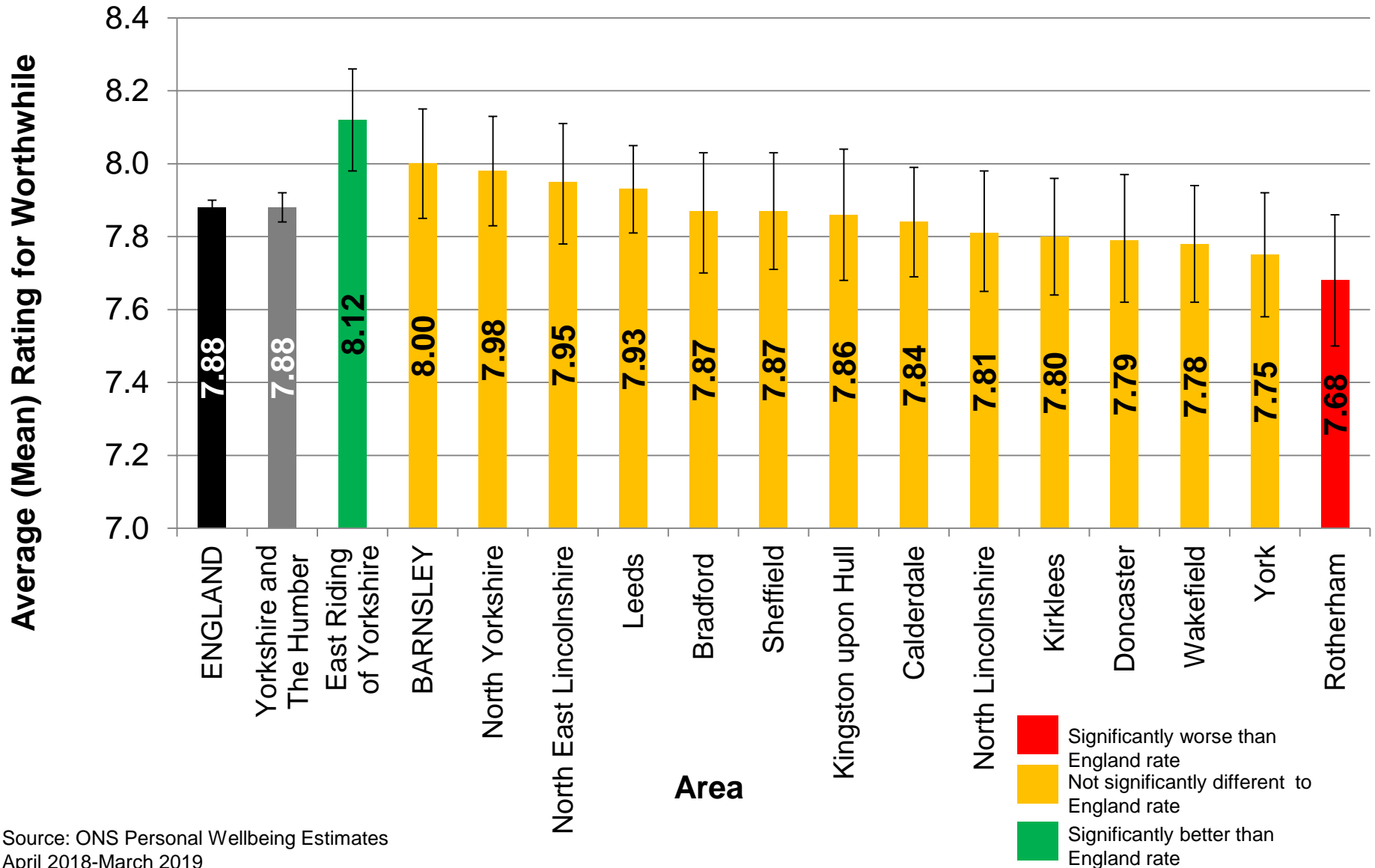
High Worthwhile:

- More than four out of five (83.75%) of Barnsley respondents had a high worthwhile score in 2018/19; slightly higher than the Y&H rate of 83.24% and slightly lower than the England rate of 84.28%.
- Compared to statistical neighbours, Barnsley's rate is the 3rd highest, and in the second best quartile.
- Compared to other Y&H authorities, Barnsley's rate is the 5th highest, and in the second best quartile.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the second highest (after Sheffield).
- The rate has **increased** from the 2011/12 rate of 75.37%.

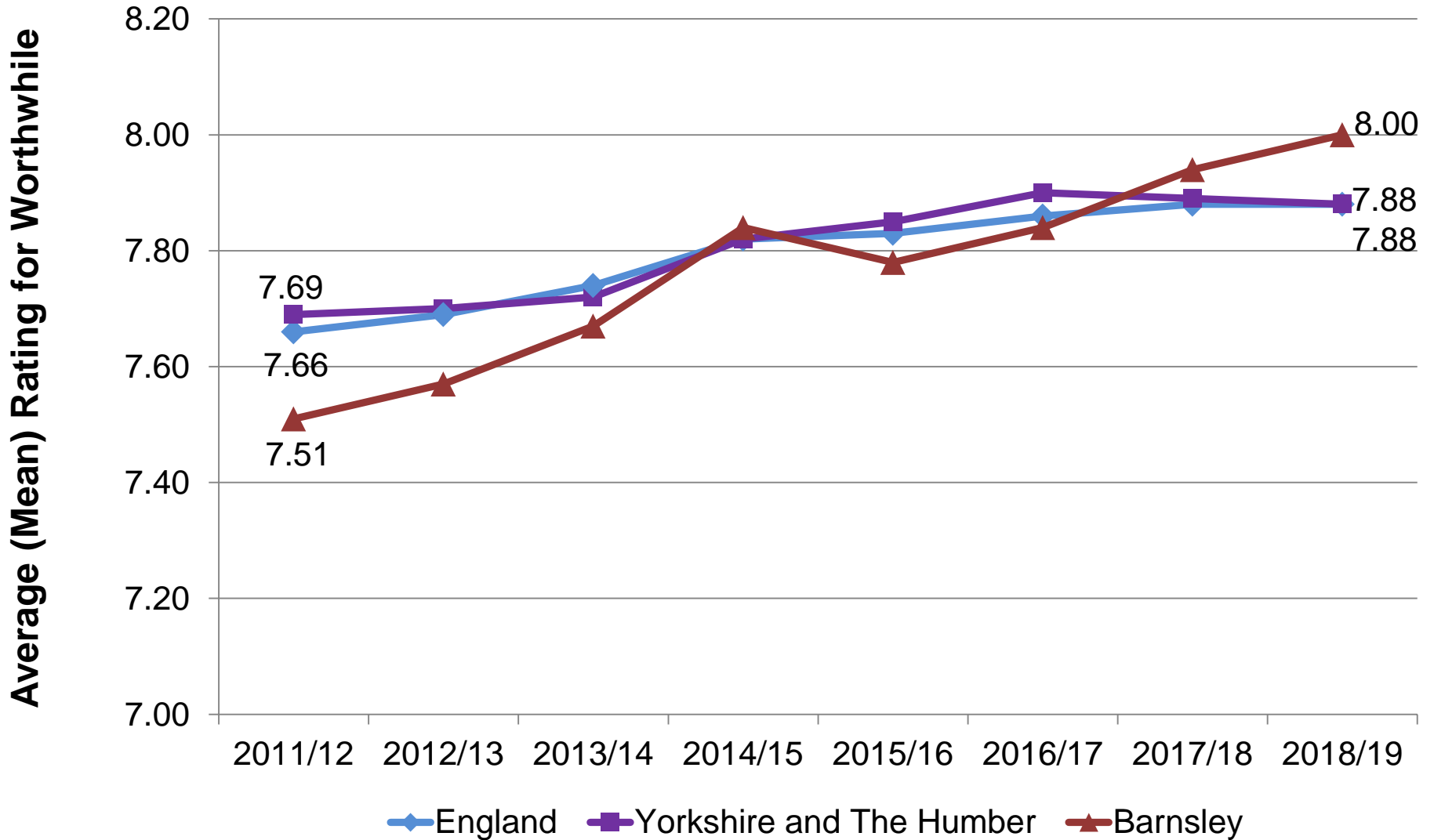
Worthwhile: Barnsley compared with statistical neighbours



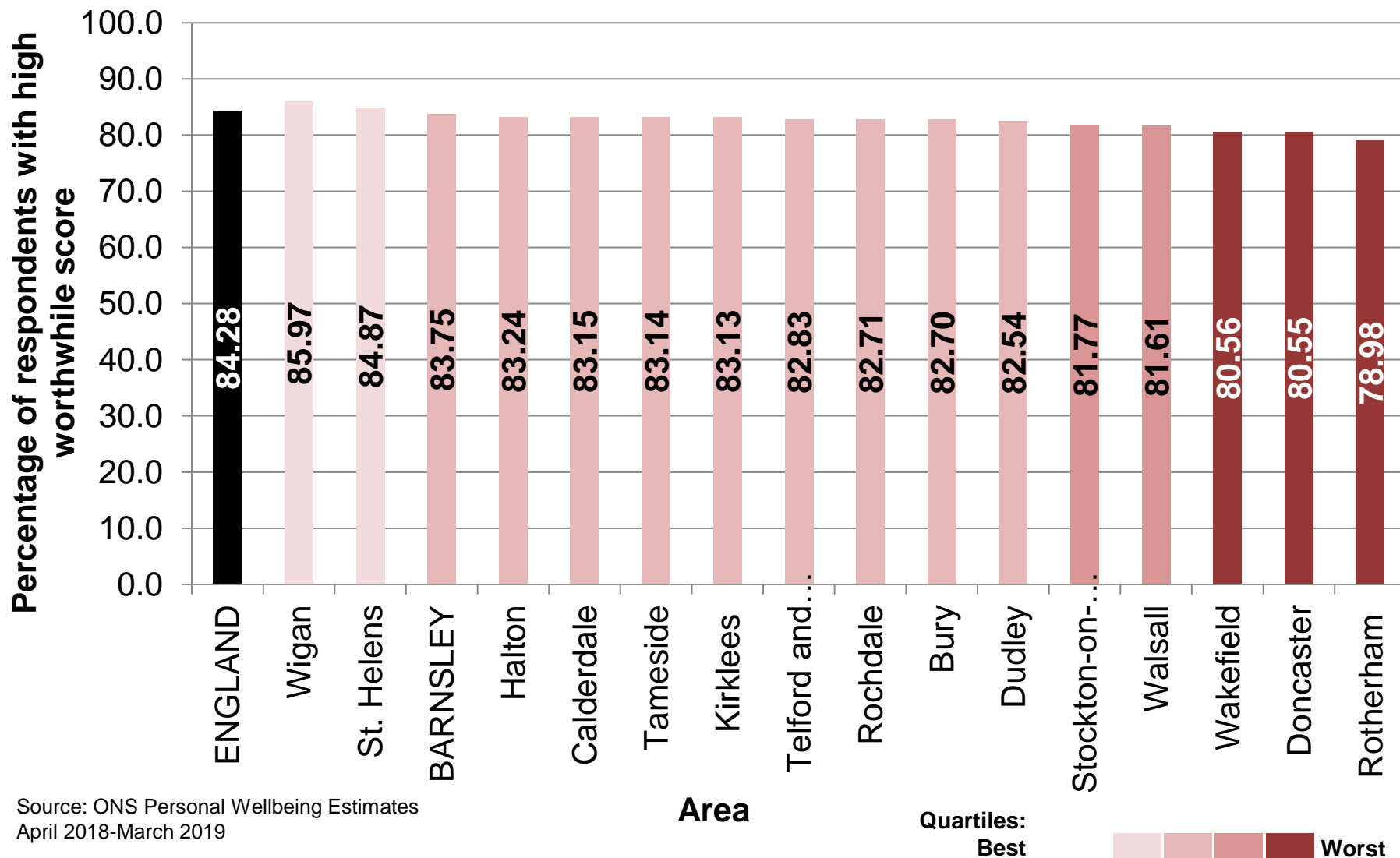
Worthwhile: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



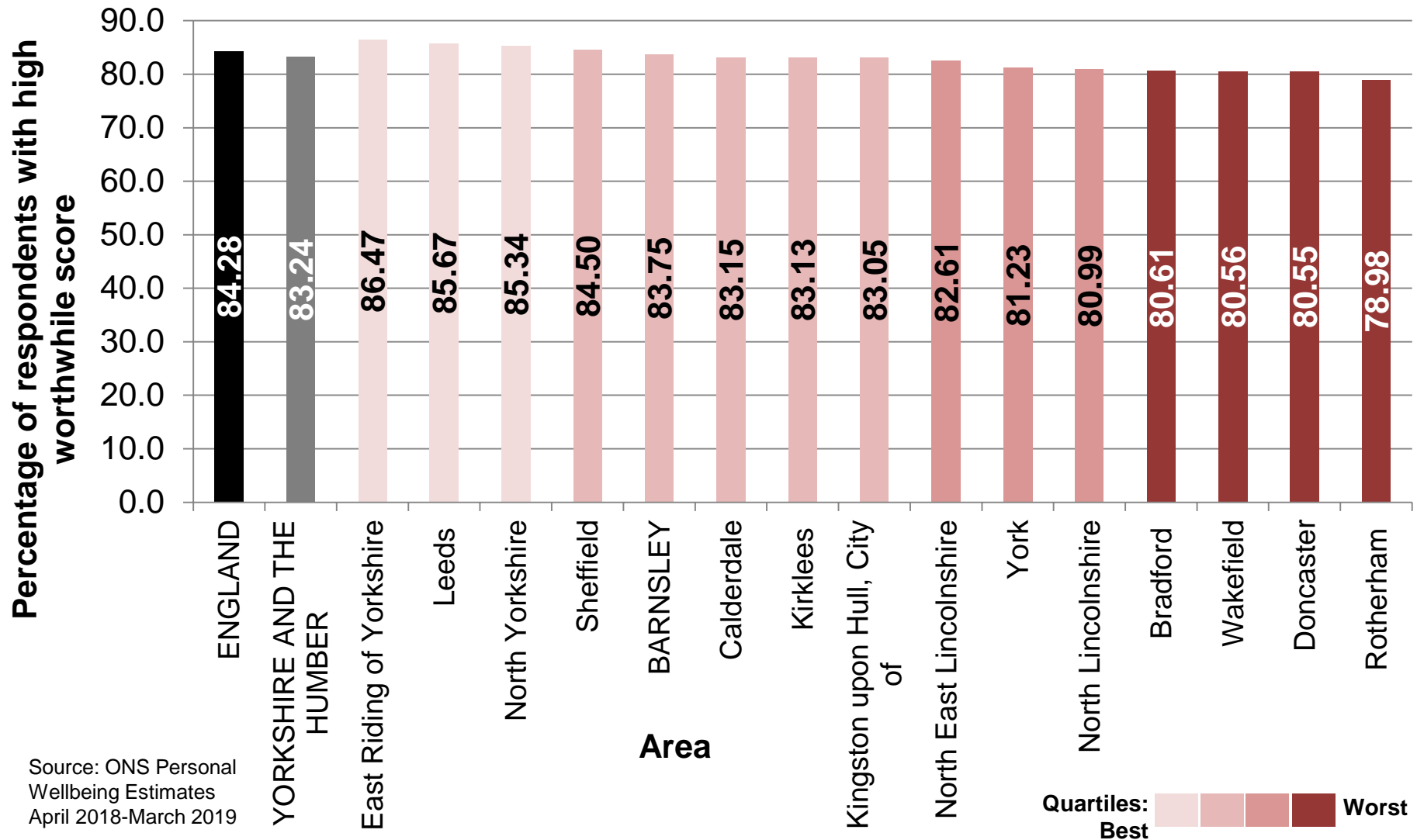
Worthwhile: Trend



High Worthwhile: Barnsley compared with statistical neighbours

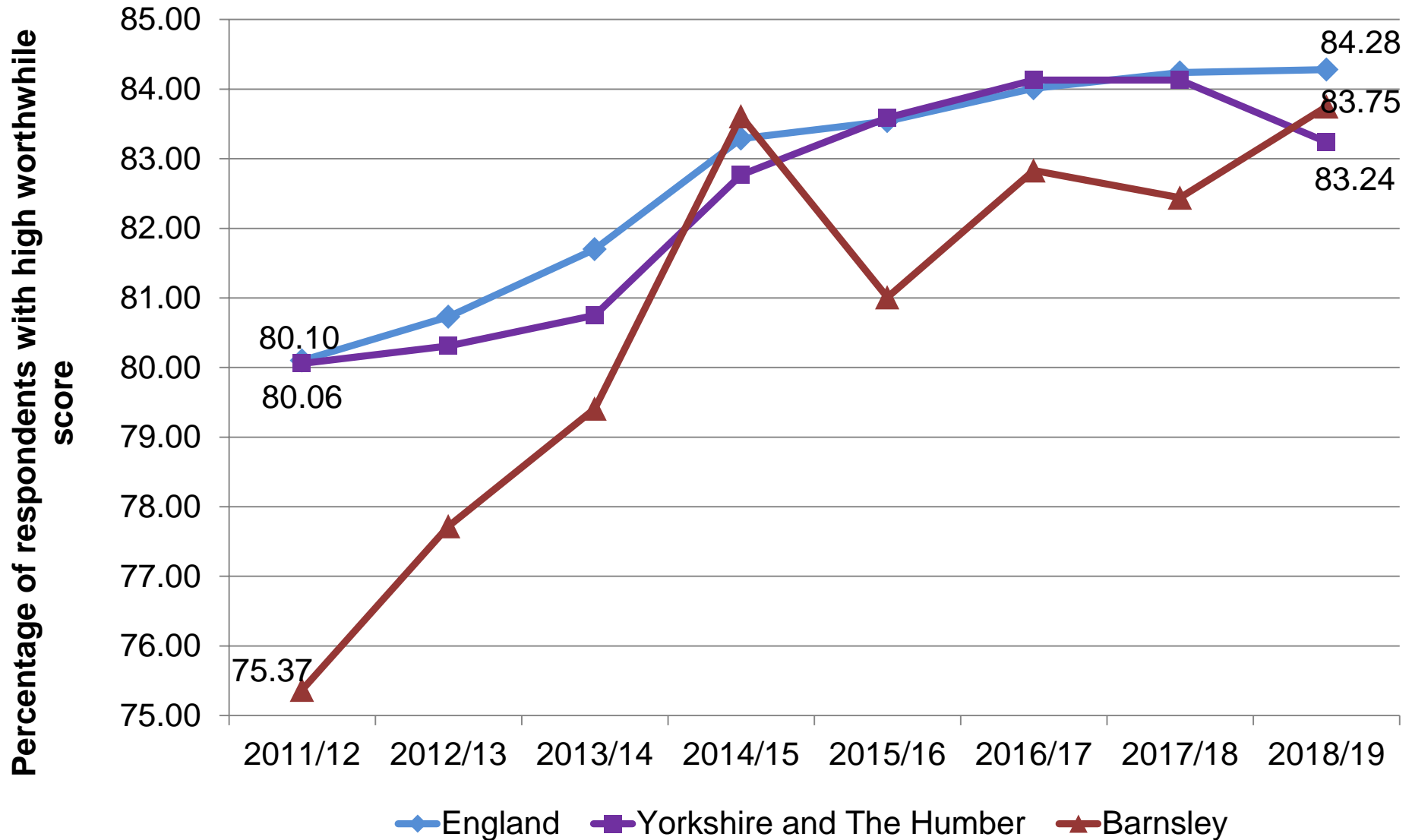


High Worthwhile: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



Source: ONS Personal Wellbeing Estimates April 2018-March 2019

High Worthwhile: Trend



Happiness

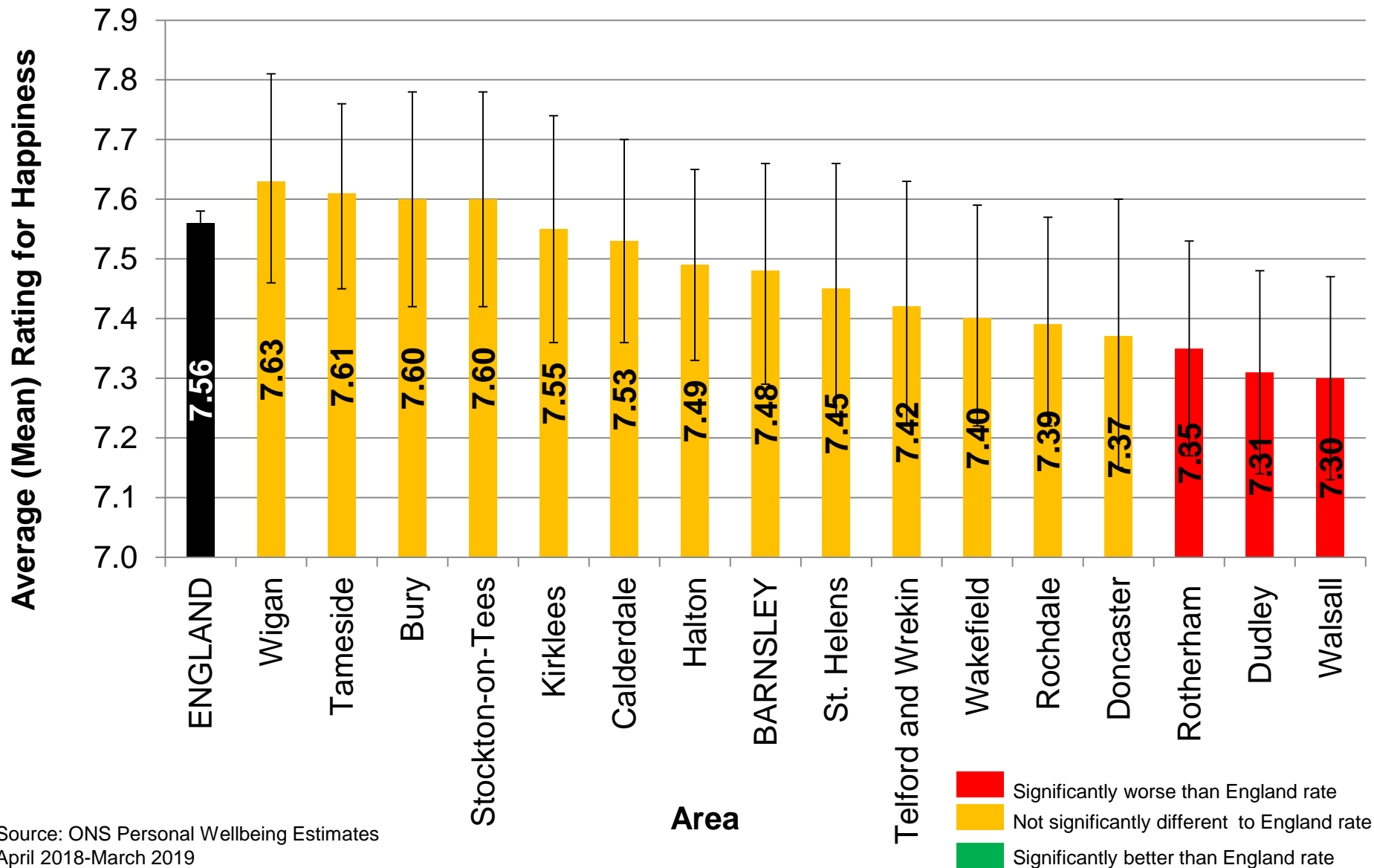
Happiness:

- Barnsley's 2018/19 average score (7.48) is slightly worse than the England score of 7.56 but not significantly.
- Barnsley's rate is mid-range within both the statistical neighbours and the Y&H groups.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the highest, but not significantly.
- The rate has increased from the 2011/12 rate of 7.12, but not significantly.

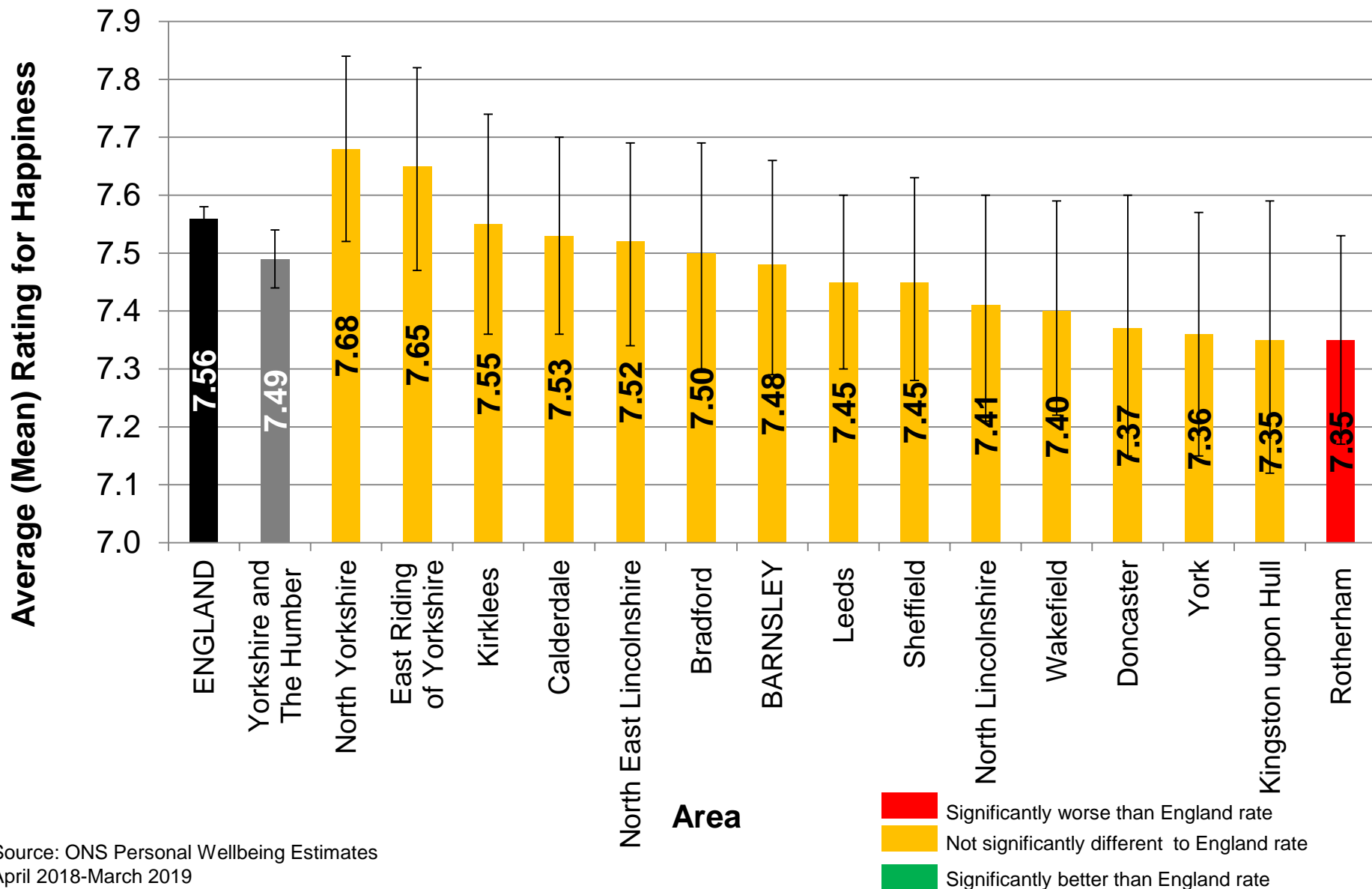
High Happiness:

- Almost three quarters (74.38%) of Barnsley respondents had a high happiness score in 2018/19; slightly higher than the Y&H rate of 74.22% and slightly lower than the England rate of 76.46%.
- Compared to statistical neighbours, Barnsley's rate is the 8th highest, and in the second best quartile.
- Compared to other Y&H authorities, Barnsley's rate is the 6th highest, and in the second worst quartile.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the second highest (after Sheffield).
- The rate has **increased** from the 2011/12 rate of 66.15%.

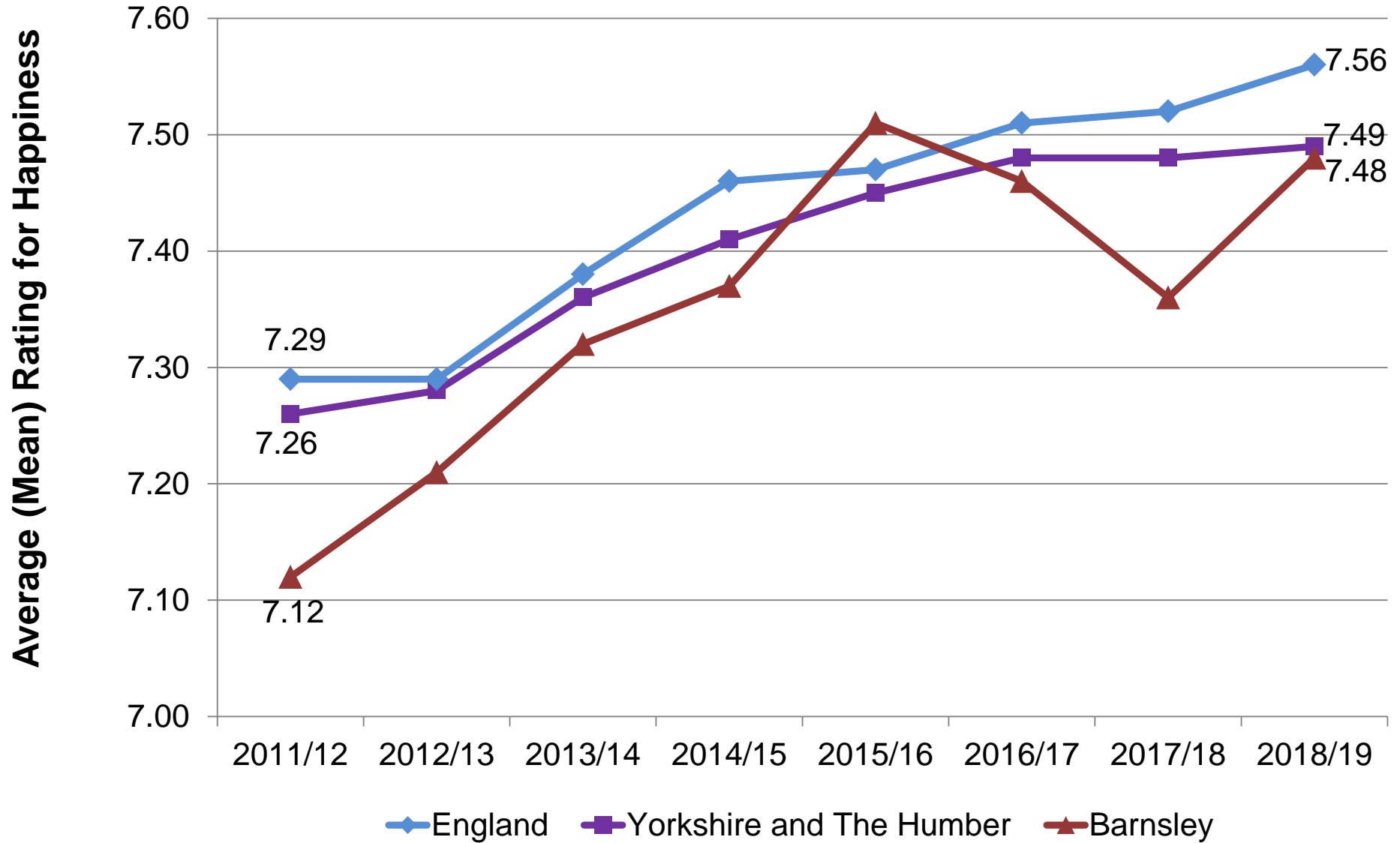
Happiness: Barnsley compared with statistical neighbours



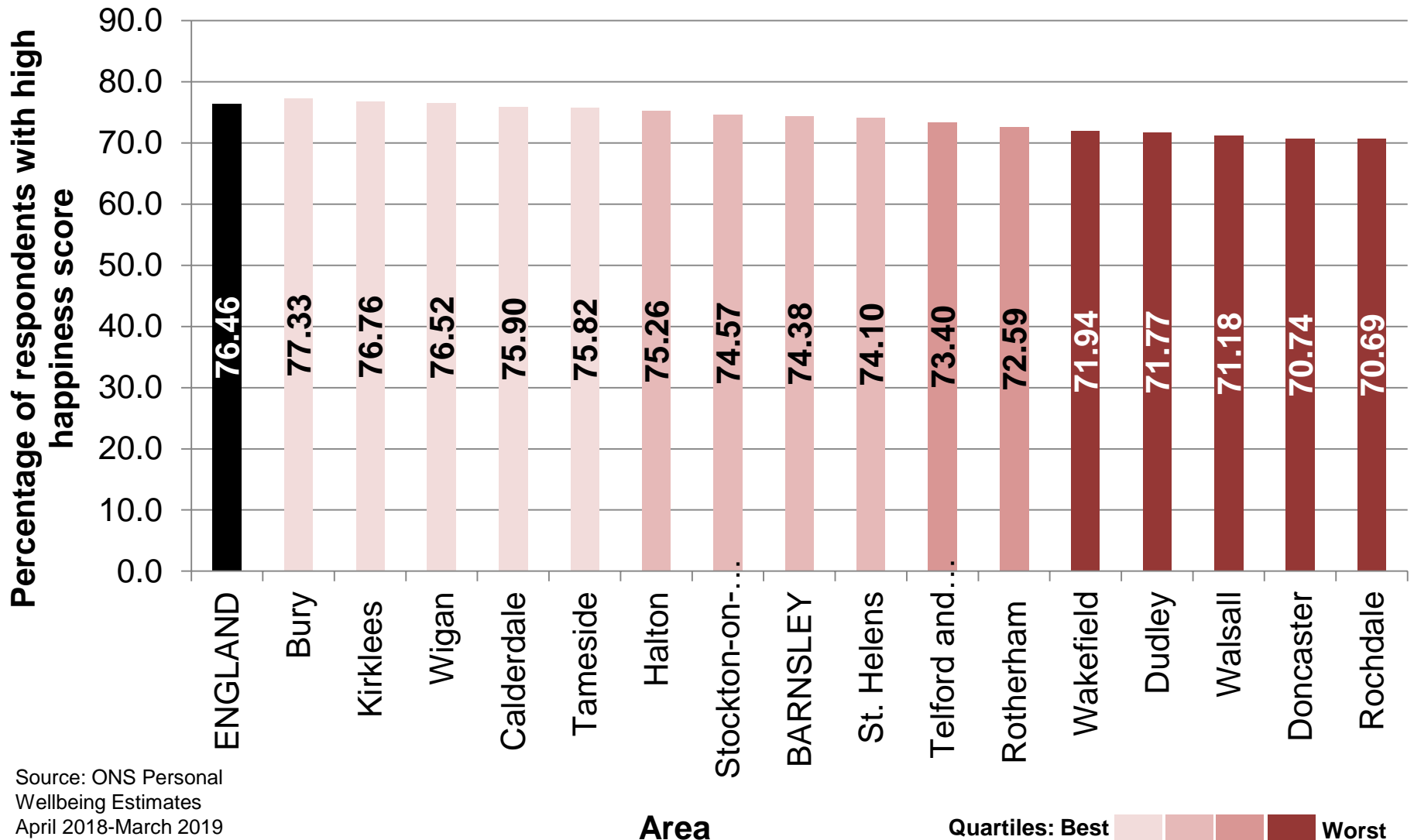
Happiness: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



Happiness: Trend

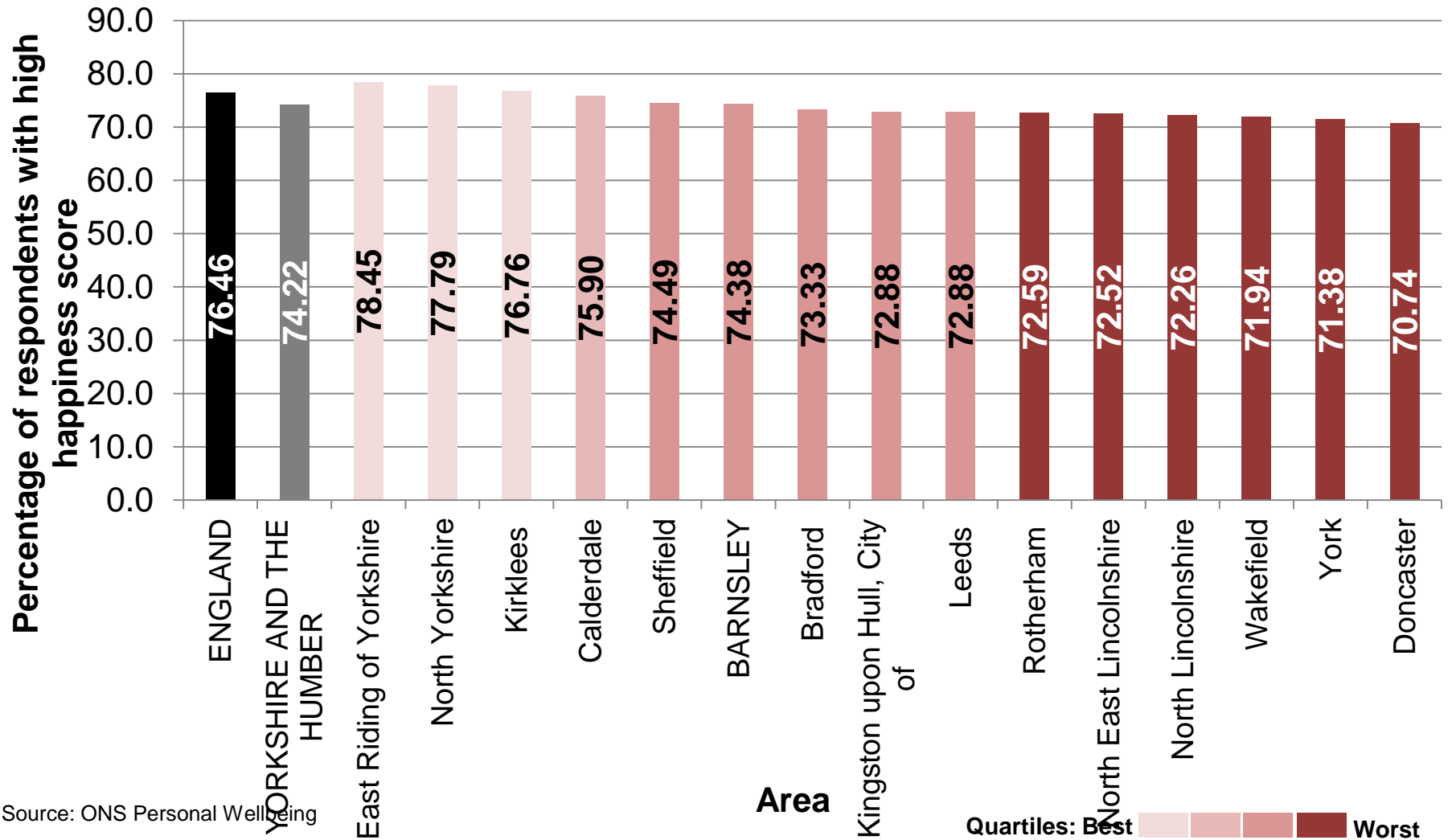


Happiness: Barnsley compared with statistical neighbours



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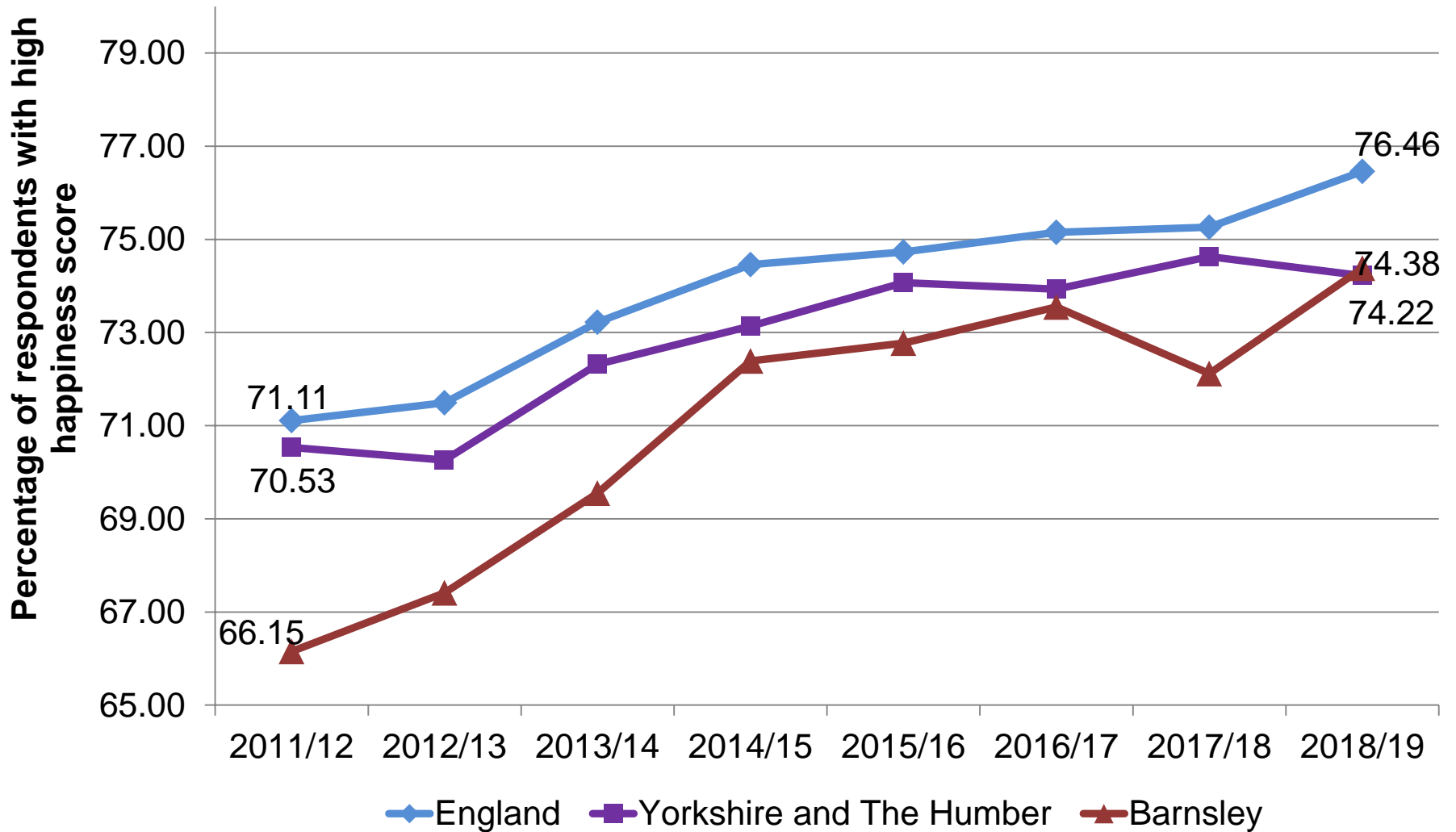
Happiness: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



Source: ONS Personal Wellbeing

Quartiles: Best Worst

Happiness: Trend



Source: ONS Personal Wellbeing Estimates
Year ending March 2012 to year ending March 2019

Anxiety

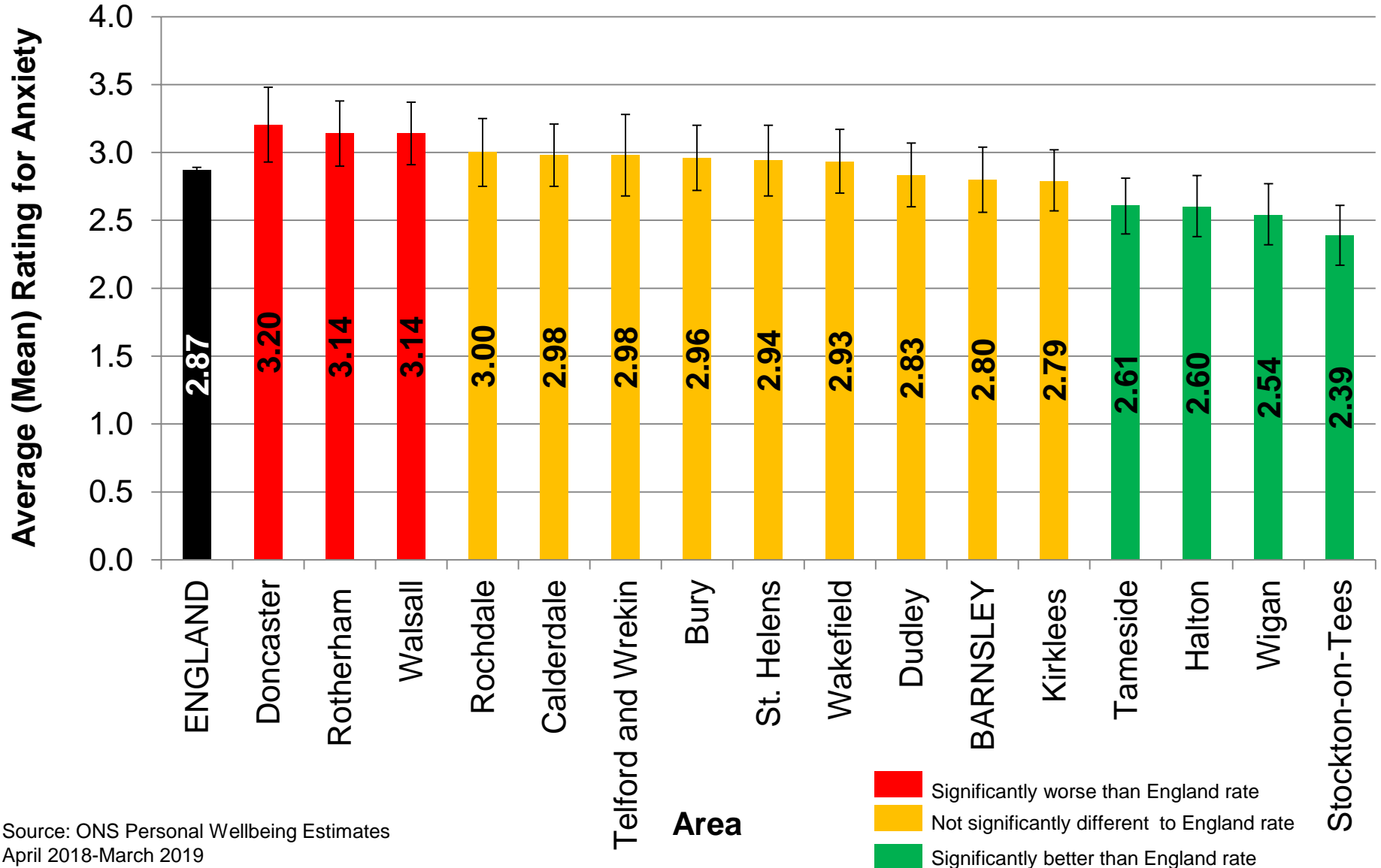
Anxiety:

- Barnsley's 2018/19 average score (2.80) is slightly better than the England score of 2.87 but not significantly.
- Compared to statistical neighbours, Barnsley's rate is the sixth best, and the fourth best within the Y&H group.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the best, but not significantly better.
- The rate has **decreased significantly** from the 2011/12 rate of 3.27

High Anxiety:

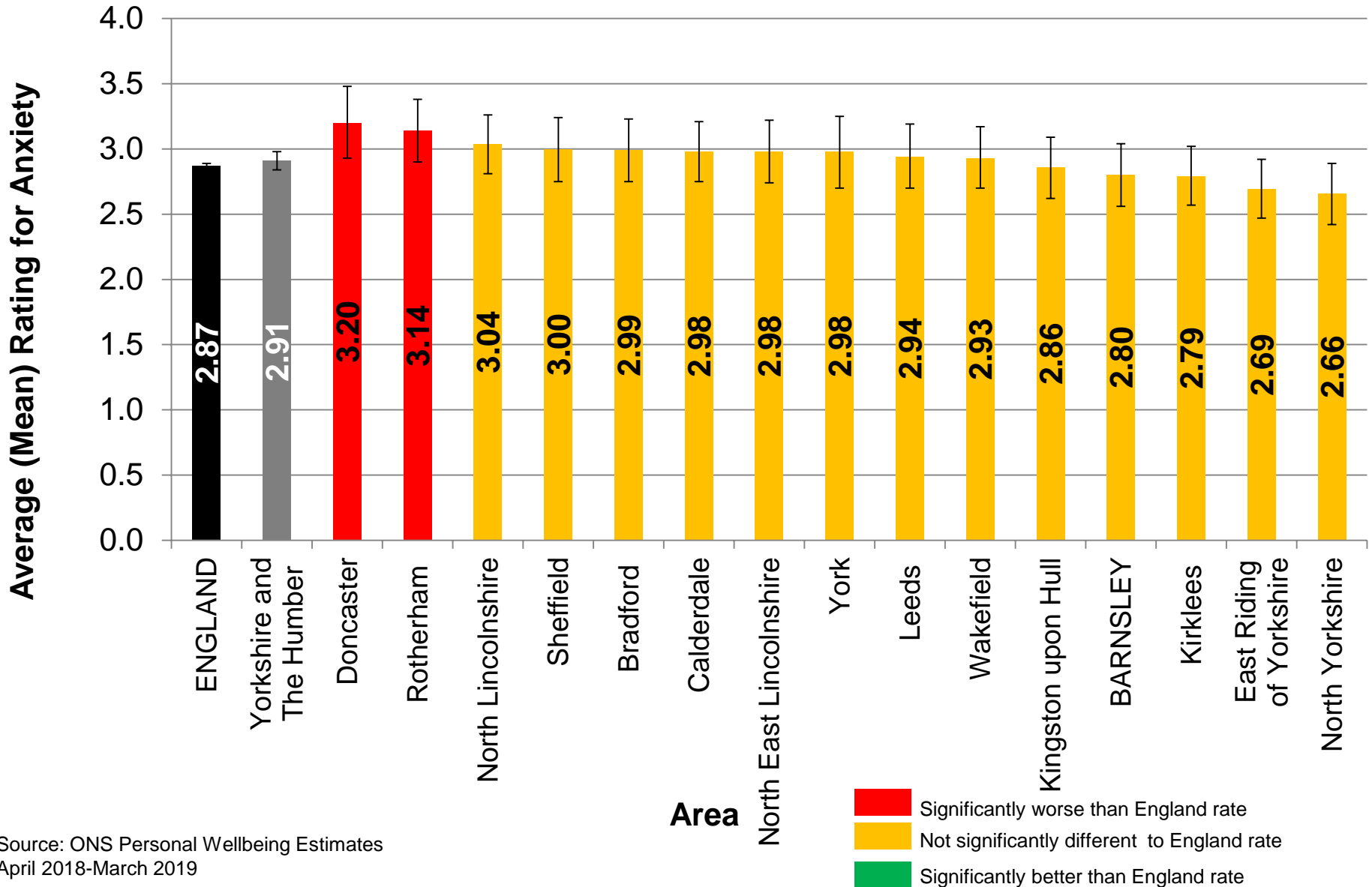
- More than two-thirds (34.9%) of Barnsley respondents had a high anxiety score in 2018/19; **lower** than the Y&H and England rates of 36.9% and 36.05% respectively.
- Compared to statistical neighbours, Barnsley's rate is the 7th highest, and in the second best quartile.
- Compared to other Y&H authorities, Barnsley's rate is the 3rd highest, and in the **best** quartile.
- Of the four South Yorkshire authorities, Barnsley's rate is the **lowest**.
- The rate has **decreased** from the 2011/12 rate of 40.68%.

Anxiety: Barnsley compared with statistical neighbours

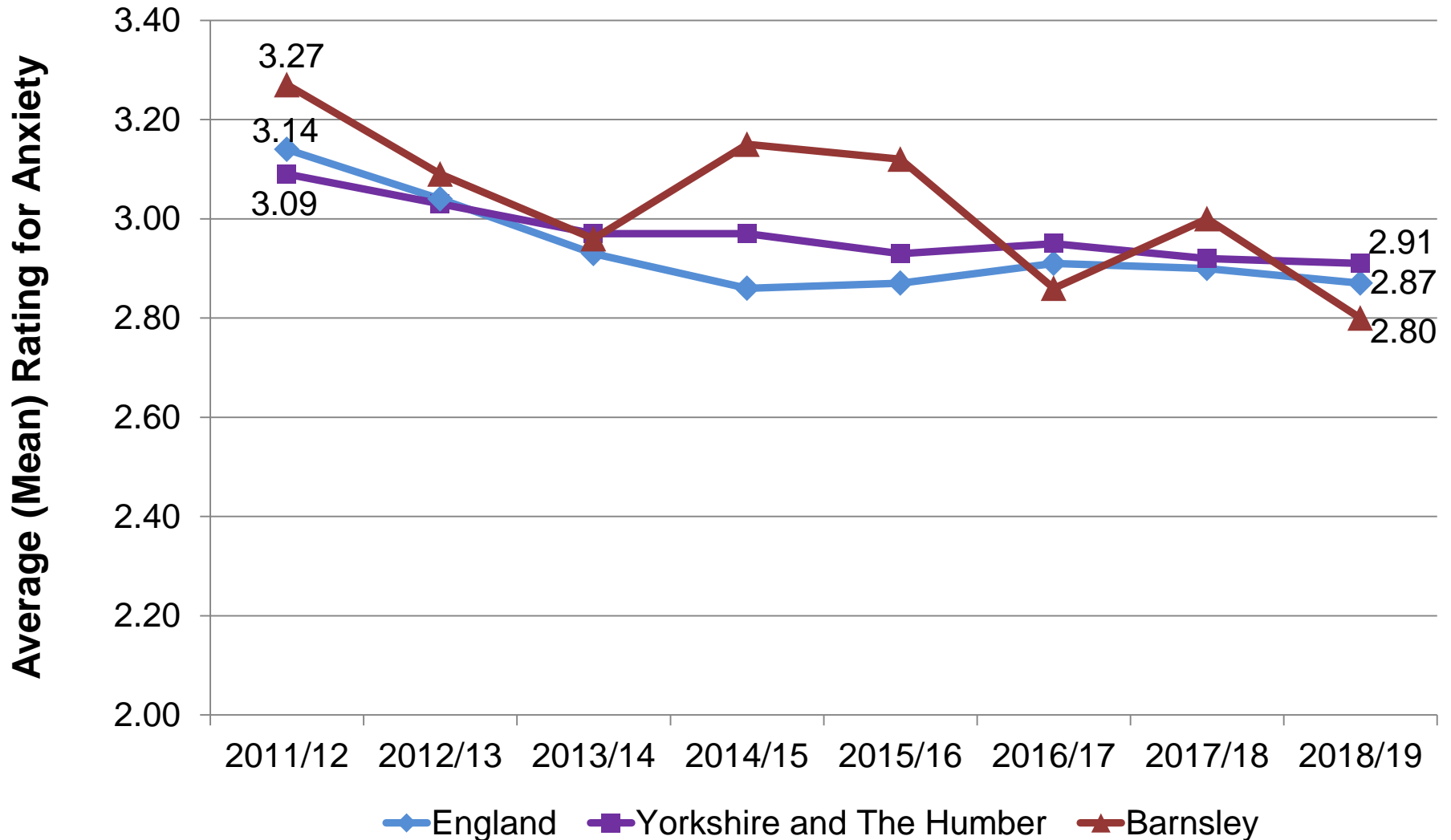


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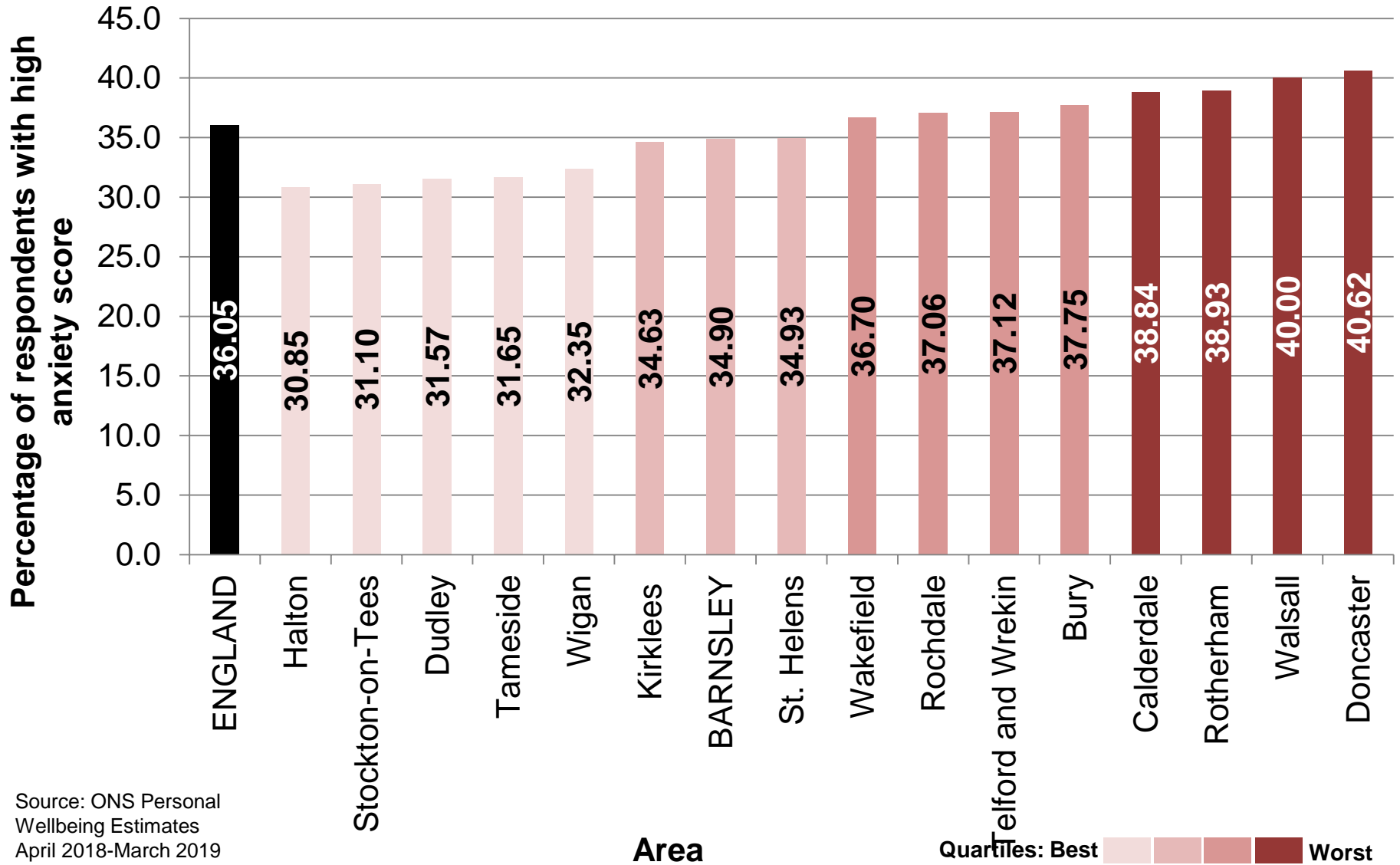
Anxiety: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



Anxiety: Trend

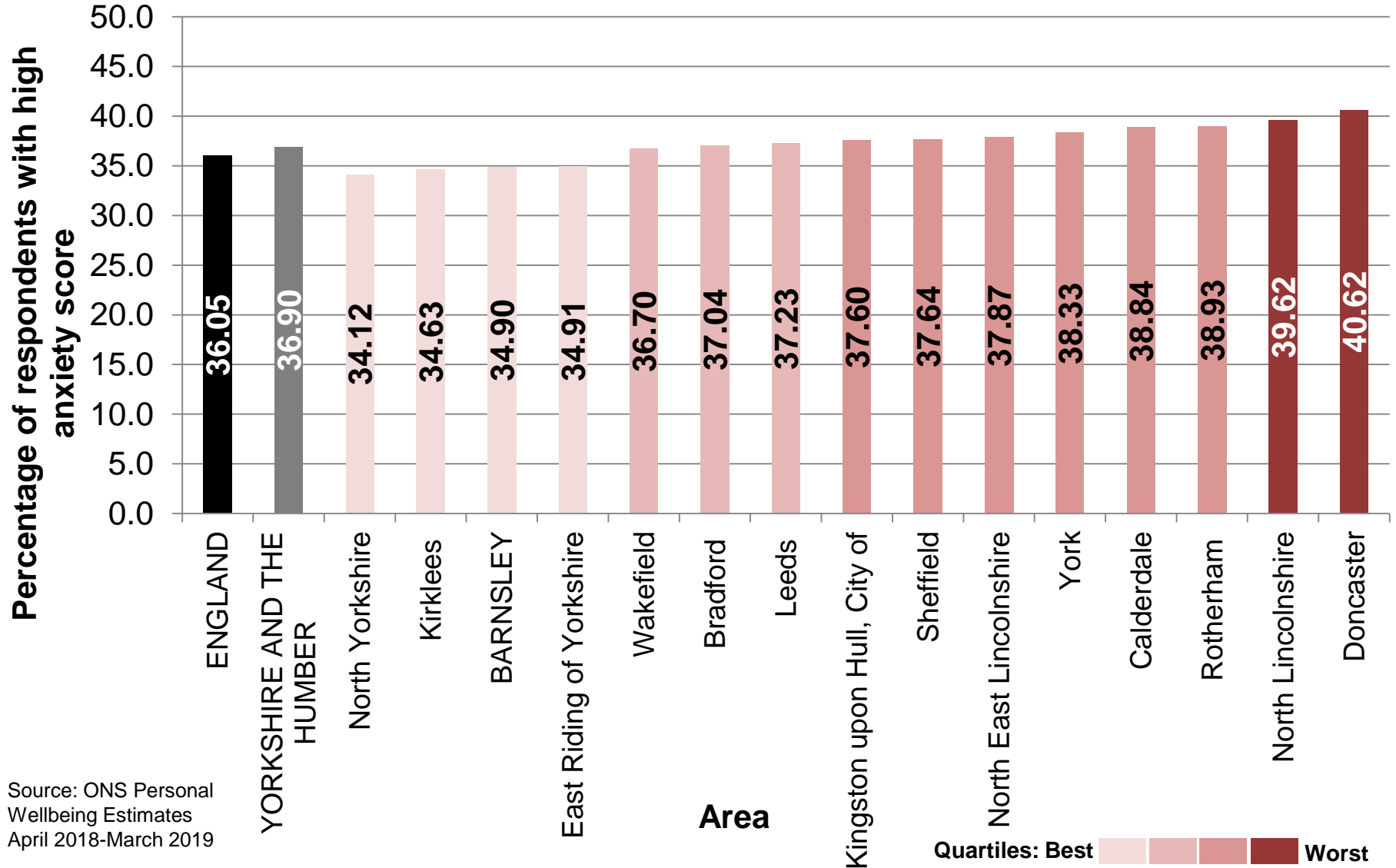


High Anxiety: Barnsley compared with statistical neighbours

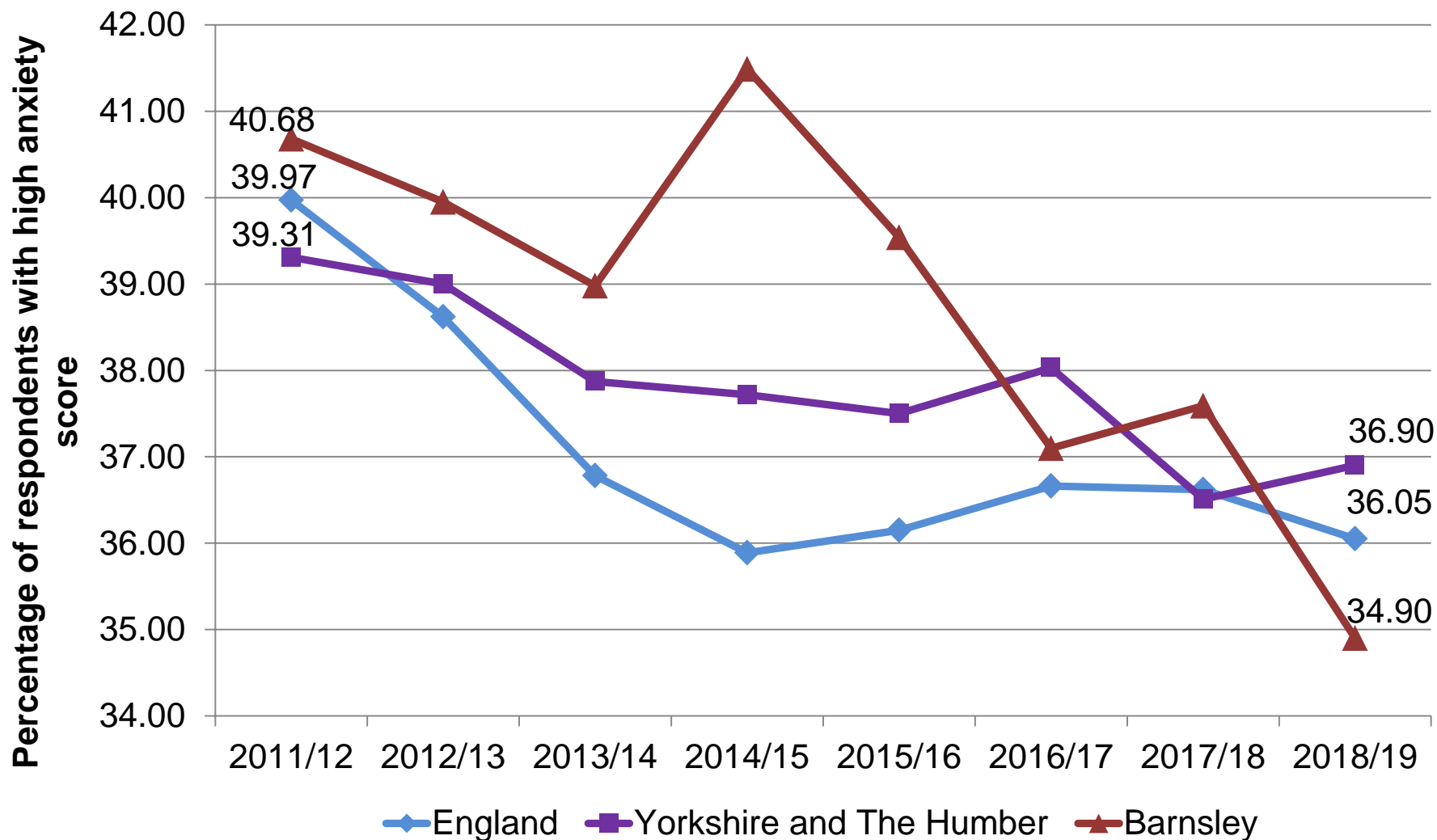


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High Anxiety: Barnsley compared with Yorkshire and the Humber



High Anxiety: Trend



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