The five townships comprising Eccles Parish (shades of red) 1801 Pop. was 16119

Notes:
The mother church of Eccles Parish was (and is) St Mary the Virgin. Its origins may precede 1066.

Many of the towns in the Eccles Ecclesiastical Parish (EP) became centres of separate EP's in the 1800's. These included:

Swinton (St Peter) 1806  
Pendleton 1807  
Pendlebury 1843  
Worsley 1847  
Barton upon Irwell 1849  
Walkden Moor 1863  
Irlam 1867  
Patricroft 1869  
Clifton in 1875

When Barton upon Irwell became a Civil Parish (CP) in 1866, the town of Eccles lost its civic status. It became a Metropolitan Borough in 1892, and a Civil Parish in 1894, re-absorbing part of Barton upon Irwell CP and a small part of Worsley CP.

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