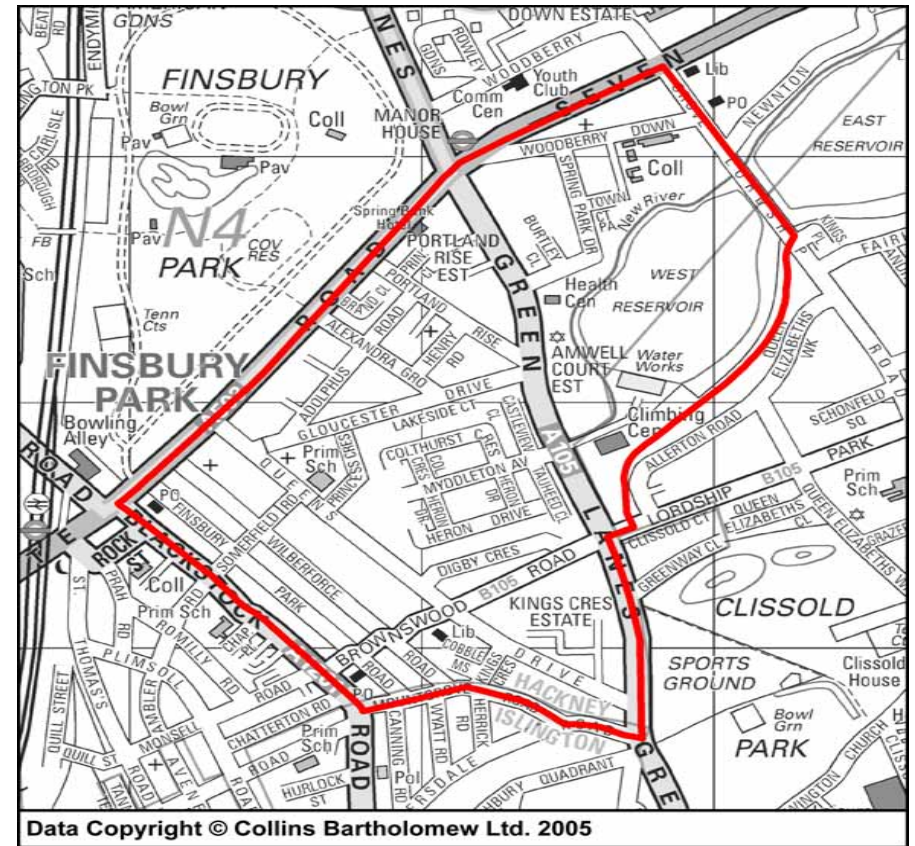
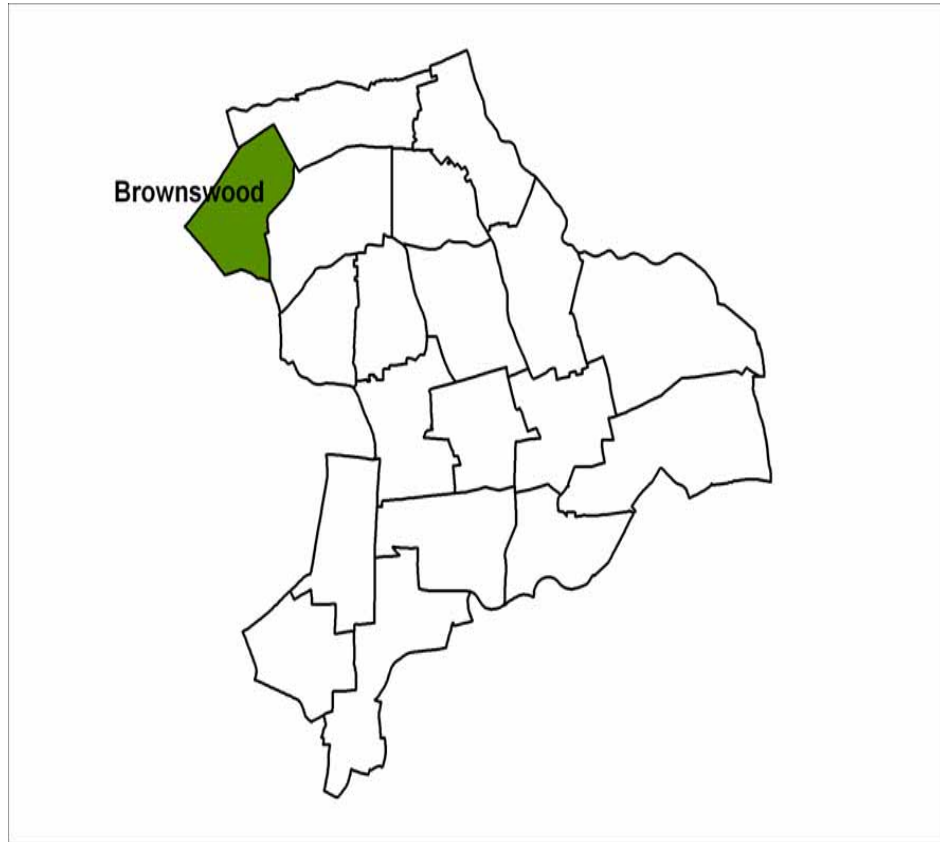




A Profile of Brownswood Ward



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Introduction

This profile explores the demographic, social and economic characteristics of Brownswood ward. All data used in this profile has been drawn from Census 2001 unless stated otherwise. All census data has been sourced via Neighbourhood Statistics (<http://neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk>).

Brownswood ward lies in the north-west of Hackney. At the time of the 2001 census its 84 hectares were home to 11,331 people. The ward forms part of the Stoke Newington neighbourhood and includes the West Reservoir. It also borders both Finsbury and Clissold Parks.

The profile shows that Brownswood's population has proportionately fewer children but many more 20-44 year olds than Hackney's. Its ethnic mix is different, with a higher percentage of 'Other Whites' than is typical in the borough. The ward has many single person and multi person households.

Brownswood's economic and social profiles show it to be more prosperous than the Hackney norm. Levels of qualifications are higher and more people are employed. Residents' levels of poor health and limiting long-term illness are broadly in line with the borough average.

The area has lower crime rates than the Hackney average, although some types of crime have risen in the last year.



Age

Age	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
People aged 0-4	7.0%	8.3%	6.7%	6.0%
People aged 5-7	3.6%	4.2%	3.8%	3.7%
People aged 8-9	2.3%	2.8%	2.5%	2.6%
People aged 10-14	4.9%	6.9%	6.1%	6.6%
People aged 15	0.9%	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%
People aged 16-17	1.9%	2.6%	2.4%	2.5%
People aged 18-19	2.1%	2.4%	2.3%	2.4%
People aged 20-24	9.2%	7.8%	7.4%	6.0%
People aged 25-29	14.4%	10.3%	9.7%	6.6%
People aged 30-44	29.5%	27.5%	25.7%	22.6%
People aged 45-59	12.9%	13.5%	16.1%	18.9%
People aged 60-64	2.9%	3.3%	3.9%	4.9%
People aged 65-74	4.2%	5.1%	6.5%	8.4%
People aged 75-84	2.8%	3.1%	4.3%	5.6%
People aged 85-89	0.9%	0.7%	1.1%	1.3%
People aged 90 and over	0.5%	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%
All People	11331	202824	7172091	52041916

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

Hackney's population is younger than that of either London or England and Wales. It has particularly big cohorts of 0-14 year olds and 25-44 year olds, but smaller ones among those aged 45 and over.

Brownswood's age profile differs somewhat from Hackney's. It has proportionately fewer children, but many more 20-44 year olds.



Ethnicity

Ethnicity	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
White	63.5%	59.4%	71.2%	91.3%
White; British	44.7%	44.1%	59.8%	87.5%
White; Irish	3.5%	3.0%	3.1%	1.2%
White; Other White	15.2%	12.3%	8.3%	2.6%
Mixed	3.8%	4.2%	3.2%	1.3%
Mixed; White and Black Caribbean	1.1%	1.5%	1.0%	0.5%
Mixed; White and Black African	0.7%	0.8%	0.5%	0.2%
Mixed; White and Asian	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.4%
Mixed; Other Mixed	1.2%	1.1%	0.9%	0.3%
Asian or Asian British	7.8%	8.6%	12.1%	4.4%
Indian	3.2%	3.8%	6.1%	2.0%
Pakistani	1.1%	1.1%	2.0%	1.4%
Bangladeshi	2.5%	2.9%	2.2%	0.5%
Other Asian	1.0%	0.8%	1.9%	0.5%
Black or Black British	21.2%	24.7%	10.9%	2.2%
Caribbean	8.3%	10.3%	4.8%	1.1%
African	11.2%	12.0%	5.3%	0.9%
Other Black	1.7%	2.4%	0.8%	0.2%
Chinese or Other Ethnic Group	3.8%	3.2%	2.7%	0.9%
Chinese	1.7%	1.2%	1.1%	0.4%
Other Ethnic Group	2.1%	2.0%	1.6%	0.4%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

Hackney is one of the most ethnically diverse boroughs in the country – more than 40% of its people are non-White. Black groups make up the largest component of the minority communities, accounting for almost a quarter of Hackney’s people.

Brownswood’s ethnic mix is different. It has an unusually high proportion of Other Whites – some 15% - while having slightly fewer of most ethnic minorities, although it does have relatively more Chinese or Other groups than is typical for the borough.



Religion

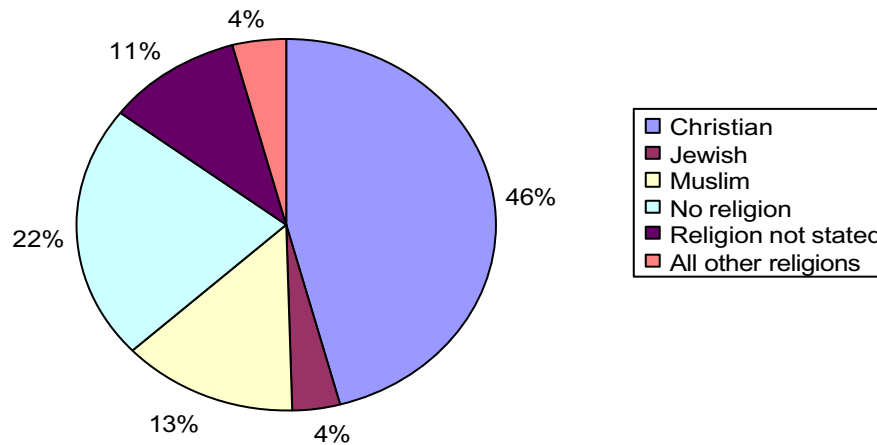
Religion	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Christian	45.9%	46.6%	58.2%	71.7%
Buddhist	1.3%	1.1%	0.8%	0.3%
Hindu	1.0%	0.8%	4.1%	1.1%
Jewish	3.7%	5.3%	2.1%	0.5%
Muslim	13.4%	13.8%	8.5%	3.0%
Sikh	1.0%	0.9%	1.5%	0.6%
Any other religion	0.9%	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%
No religion	22.3%	19.0%	15.8%	14.8%
Religion not stated	10.5%	12.0%	8.7%	7.7%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

Less than half of Hackney's residents describe themselves as Christians – a significantly smaller proportion than in London or England and Wales. The borough has relatively high proportions of Jews, Muslims and people with no religion or who declined to state one.

Brownswood broadly follows the Hackney pattern, though more than 22% of its residents said they had no religion.

Religion in Brownswood





Social Class

Social Grade	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
AB: Higher and intermediate managerial / administrative / professional	25.3%	21.3%	26.5%	22.0%
C1: Supervisory, clerical, junior managerial / administrative / professional	31.3%	30.2%	33.0%	29.7%
C2: Skilled manual workers	9.4%	9.4%	11.0%	15.1%
D: Semi-skilled and unskilled manual workers	15.8%	18.3%	14.3%	17.2%
E: On state benefit, unemployed, lowest grade workers	18.1%	20.8%	15.2%	16.1%

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Close to 60% of Londoners are classed as ABs or C1s (the groups conventionally regarded as the middle class), a significantly higher percentage than in the country as a whole. Hackney, though, lies closer to the England and Wales average. However, more than a fifth of the borough's people fall into social class E, an unusually high proportion by national standards.

Brownswood's social profile shows relatively high concentrations of ABs and C1s – they constitute more than 56% of the ward's people. The ward has comparatively few people in classes D and E.



Household Type

Household Type	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Married couple household with dependent child(ren)	10.3%	13.3%	16.8%	18.5%
Married couple household with no dependent child(ren)	9.7%	10.9%	20.0%	28.8%
Cohabiting couple household with dependent child(ren)	2.7%	3.5%	2.7%	3.4%
Cohabiting couple household with no dependent child(ren)	9.7%	7.3%	6.7%	5.7%
Lone parent household with dependent child(ren)	10.0%	12.4%	8.9%	7.2%
Lone parent household with no dependent child(ren)	3.6%	4.3%	4.0%	3.4%
One person household	43.3%	40.5%	34.7%	30.0%
Multi person household: All student	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Multi person household: All other	10.0%	7.3%	5.8%	2.6%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

Hackney has proportionately more lone parent, single person and multi person households than the averages for both London and England and Wales, and fewer married couple households (both with and without dependent children).

Brownswood has fewer married or lone parent households than is typical for Hackney, especially those with dependent children. In contrast, it has high shares of one person and multi person households.



Housing Tenure and House Prices

Housing Tenure	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Owned	32.3%	32.1%	56.5%	68.9%
Social rented: Rented from Council	27.4%	30.7%	17.1%	13.2%
Social rented: Other social rented	16.9%	20.1%	9.1%	5.9%
Private rented	21.6%	15.5%	15.5%	9.9%
Other	1.8%	1.6%	1.8%	2.1%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

House Prices 2002	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Price Indicators by Dwelling Type: Flat - Median	£168,975	£160,000	£160,000	£111,000
Price Indicators by Dwelling Type: Terraced - Median	£300,000	£250,000	£180,000	£80,000
Price Indicators for All Dwellings: Median	£176,000	£180,000	£181,000	£110,000

Source: Land Registry, DCLG, ONS

More than half of Hackney's housing is socially rented, a much higher percentage than in London or nationally. Home ownership is correspondingly lower – less than a third of the borough's properties fall into this category. According to Halifax Estate Agents, property prices per square metre rose by 320% between 1996 and 2006 in Hackney, the biggest rise in London. In 2002 (the last year for which we have ward data) median house prices in Hackney were in line with the London average, and well above the national equivalent.

Brownswood ward has a high proportion of private rented housing by the borough's standards. House prices in the ward are generally higher than the Hackney average for each specific house type, but the preponderance of flats keeps the overall average price down.



Social Housing Estates in Brownswood





Qualifications

Qualification Level	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
No qualifications	22.8%	29.0%	23.7%	29.1%
Level 1 qualifications	8.9%	10.5%	13.0%	16.6%
Level 2 qualifications	12.9%	13.8%	17.1%	19.4%
Level 3 qualifications	9.2%	8.6%	9.8%	8.3%
Level 4 / 5 qualifications	41.7%	32.9%	31.0%	19.8%
Other qualifications: Level unknown	4.5%	5.1%	5.4%	6.9%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

In England and Wales the largest single group is those with no qualifications – 29% of adults. London’s qualifications profile, however, is very different from the national picture. It has a better-educated population, with 31% of people having at least a first degree (level 4/5). It also has below average numbers with level 1 or 2 qualifications, while less than a quarter of its people have none. These trends are even more distinct in Hackney, which has lots of residents with degrees or with no qualifications, and relatively few with intermediate level ones.

Brownswood’s profile is strongly skewed towards the upper end of the skills range – more than 41% of residents have a degree or better. The ward’s share of those with no qualifications is relatively low at less than 23%.



Economic Activity

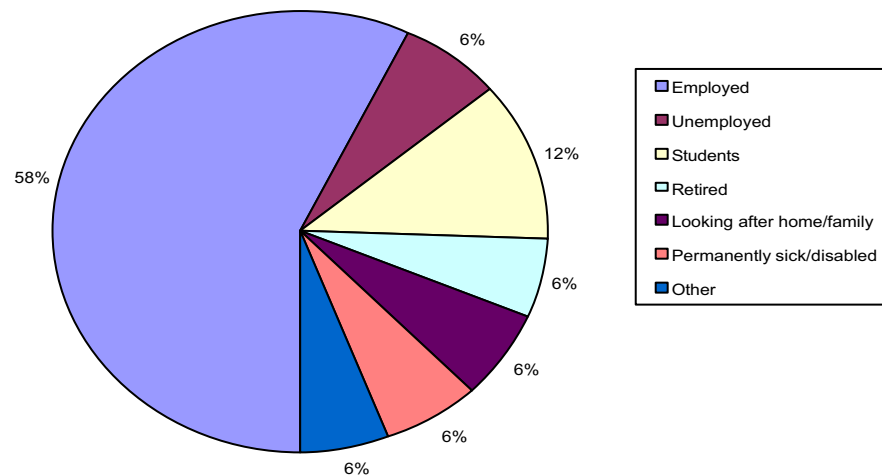
Economic Activity	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Economically active: Employee	48.8%	43.2%	51.3%	52.3%
Economically active: Self-employed with employees	2.5%	2.3%	2.9%	3.0%
Economically active: Self-employed without employees	6.0%	5.9%	6.1%	5.3%
Economically active: Unemployed	6.4%	6.9%	4.4%	3.4%
Economically active: Full-time Students	3.4%	3.5%	3.0%	2.6%
Economically inactive: Retired	5.6%	7.5%	9.8%	13.6%
Economically inactive: Student	8.5%	9.2%	6.6%	4.7%
Economically inactive: Looking after home / family	6.4%	7.9%	7.2%	6.5%
Economically inactive: Permanently sick / disabled	6.4%	7.0%	4.6%	5.5%
Economically inactive: Other	6.0%	6.5%	4.3%	3.1%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

Economic activity rates in Hackney are much lower than in London or England and Wales.

Unemployment is higher and there are many more students as a proportion of the population.

Economic Activity in Brownswood



Things are better in Brownswood than in Hackney generally. More than 57% of residents between the ages of 16 and 74 are in employment, and levels of disability are relatively low.



Industry of Employment

Industry of Employment	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Agriculture, fishing, mining	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	1.8%
Manufacturing	7.5%	7.8%	7.6%	15.0%
Electricity, gas and water supply	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.7%
Construction	3.0%	3.3%	5.3%	6.8%
Wholesale and retail trade, repairs	10.7%	12.1%	14.4%	16.8%
Hotels and restaurants	5.6%	5.2%	4.6%	4.8%
Transport, storage and communications	5.9%	6.2%	8.1%	7.0%
Financial intermediation	5.1%	4.5%	8.0%	4.7%
Real estate, renting and business activities	24.7%	21.6%	20.3%	13.0%
Public administration and defence, social security	4.8%	5.1%	5.4%	5.7%
Education	8.7%	10.3%	7.5%	7.8%
Health and social work	12.0%	12.4%	10.1%	10.8%
Other community, social and personal service activities	11.3%	10.8%	7.7%	5.0%
Any other	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

Although the wide-ranging ‘real estate, renting and business activities’ is the largest single category of employment, the most striking element in Hackney’s profile is its dependence on public services, especially education, health and social work. Like the broader London economy, Hackney also has a much smaller share of employment in manufacturing than the national average.

Brownswood broadly follows the Hackney pattern of employment. However, it has slightly more workers in the ‘real estate, renting and business activities’ sector, and is a little less dependent on public service employment than the borough norm.



Occupation Group

Occupation Group	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Managers and Senior Officials	14.6%	14.0%	17.6%	15.1%
Professional Occupations	19.1%	16.8%	14.9%	11.2%
Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	25.1%	21.5%	17.9%	13.8%
Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	12.7%	13.0%	15.5%	13.3%
Skilled Trades Occupations	5.7%	6.3%	7.7%	11.6%
Personal Service Occupations	5.3%	6.4%	5.9%	6.9%
Sales and Customer Service Occupations	5.4%	6.3%	6.7%	7.7%
Process; Plant and Machine Operatives	3.4%	4.7%	4.9%	8.5%
Elementary Occupations	8.7%	11.0%	9.0%	11.9%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

London's profile is strongly skewed towards managerial, professional and administrative occupations, with smaller proportions than nationally of skilled tradespeople; process, plant and machine operatives; and those in personal or customer service occupations. Hackney differs somewhat from the London pattern. It has more professionals and associates and fewer managers. It also has a higher percentage of those in elementary occupations.

Brownswood's profile is different again. It has relatively big shares of managers, professionals and associated occupations by Hackney standards, but smaller ones of personal and customer services workers and those working in elementary occupations.

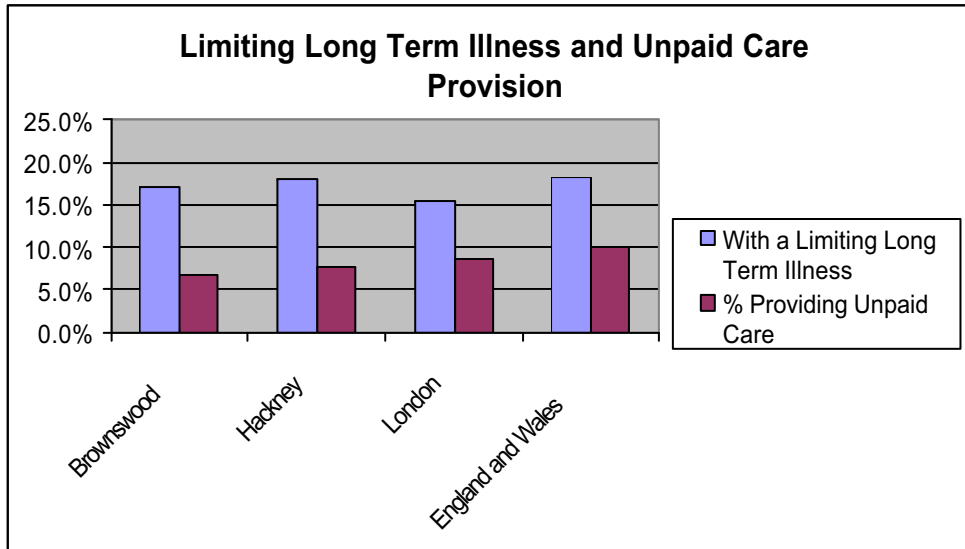


Health

Health Status	Brownswood	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Good Health	68.3%	68.4%	70.8%	68.6%
Fairly Good Health	21.2%	21.0%	20.9%	22.2%
Not Good Health	10.4%	10.7%	8.3%	9.2%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

The health of Hackney's residents is broadly in line with national trends, but is a little worse than London's. It should be noted though that the borough has a young population by England and Wales' standards, so its health ought to be relatively good.



Brownswood residents' health is generally in line with the average for Hackney. Just over two-thirds of residents report their health as good, while some 17% have a limiting long-term illness. The proportion of people providing unpaid care is comparatively low.



Crime

Crime data for Hackney, 2005 and 2006

MPS Offences per 1,000 people (rolling year)	12 months to Oct 2005	12 months to Oct 2006	% Change
Burglary	19.48	13.50	-30.7
Criminal Damage	17.62	15.49	-12.1
Drugs Offences	10.47	9.80	-6.4
Fraud or Forgery	4.10	3.16	-23.0
Other Offences	1.57	1.51	-3.8
Robbery	8.83	8.34	-5.5
Sexual Offences	1.86	2.06	10.6
Theft and Handling	62.13	60.82	-2.1
Violence against the Person	35.50	34.21	-3.6

The most recent figures available from the Metropolitan Police suggest crime has been falling in Hackney in the last year. Only one category of crime – sexual offences – has seen an increase, while significant falls have been recorded among some other types of offences: burglary, for instance, has seen a 30% decrease.

Crime data for Brownswood ward, 2005 and 2006

MPS Offences per 1,000 people (rolling year)	12 months to Oct 2005	12 months to Oct 2006	% Change
Burglary	13.86	11.30	-18.5
Criminal Damage	13.68	12.80	-6.5
Drugs Offences	7.33	5.21	-28.9
Fraud or Forgery	3.79	1.85	-51.2
Other Offences	1.15	1.59	38.5
Robbery	8.30	9.00	8.5
Sexual Offences	3.27	4.15	27.0
Theft and Handling	34.33	41.21	20.1
Violence against the Person	28.15	28.77	2.2

The trends in recorded crime in Brownswood ward are rather different. Although there have been falls in burglary, fraud or forgery and drugs offences, there have also been increases in sexual offences and theft and handling. Despite these, crime in Brownswood is lower than the average for Hackney in the majority of categories.

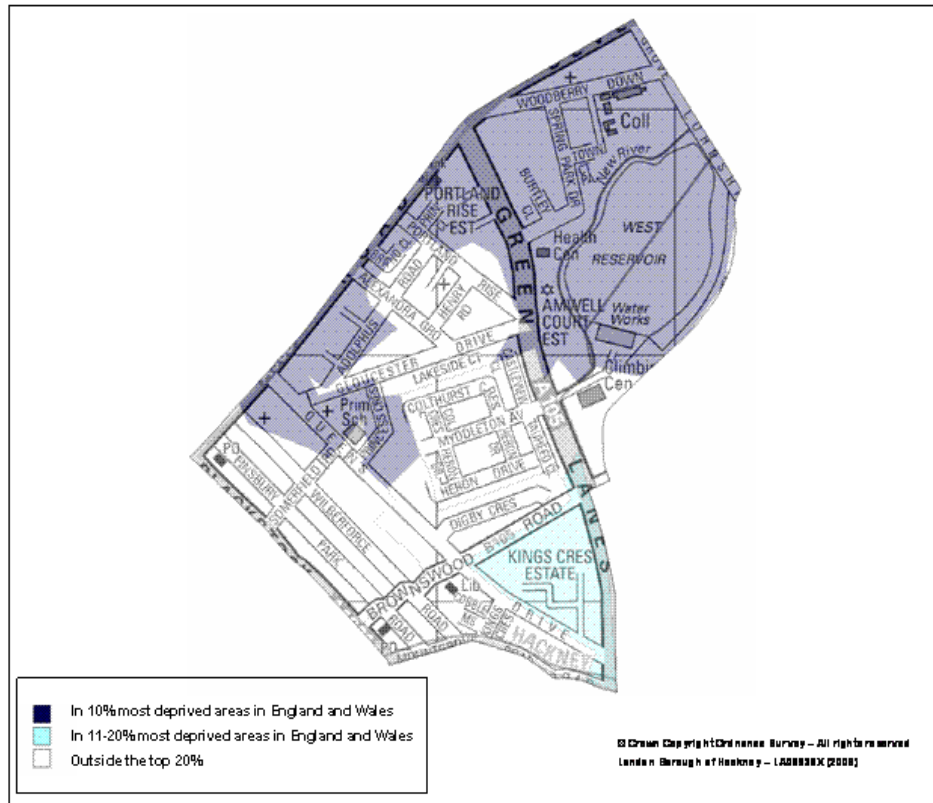
Source: Metropolitan Police Service



Deprivation

Ward	Average SOA Rank	Rank within London, based on average SOA rank. 1=most deprived, 624 least	Total Number of SOAs in the ward	No of SOAs in the lowest:		
				30%	20%	10%
Brownswood	5139	92	8	7	4	3

Source: Data Management and Analysis Group Briefing Feb 2005, GLA



The Index of Multiple Deprivation tries to gauge the level of deprivation in a locality across several 'domains', including employment, income, health, education and crime. Much of Hackney falls into super output areas (SOAs) classified as being among the 20% most deprived in the country.

Four of the eight SOAs in Brownswood ward rank among the 20% most deprived nationally. According to a calculation prepared for the GLA, Brownswood itself ranks as the 92nd most deprived ward in London.

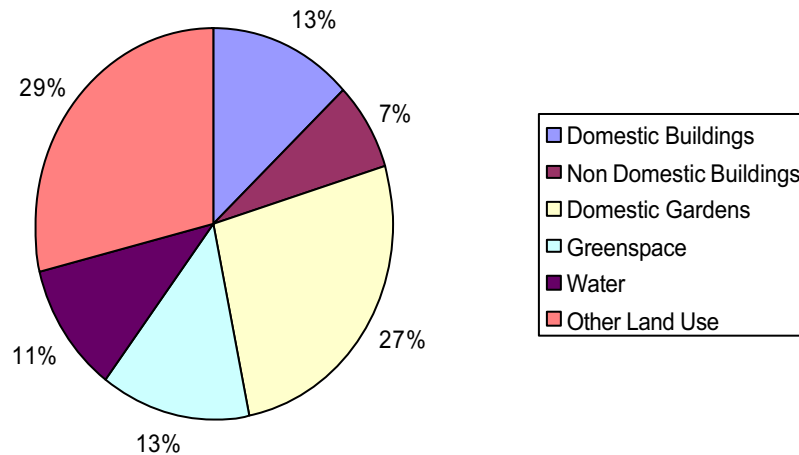


Land Use

Land Use	Brownswood	Hackney	London
Domestic Buildings	13.0%	12.6%	8.5%
Non Domestic Buildings	7.2%	10.2%	4.8%
Domestic Gardens	26.6%	18.4%	24.0%
Greenspace	13.5%	24.2%	38.4%
Water	10.8%	2.2%	2.8%
Other Land Use	29.0%	32.5%	21.4%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

Land Use in Brownswood



London is a surprisingly green city – public green spaces, bodies of water and domestic gardens account for almost two-thirds of its land area. Hackney is more built-up than the London average, though green space and gardens still take up over 40% of its land.

Brownswood has more domestic garden space but less public green space than is typical for the borough. However, the ward does border both Finsbury and Clissold Parks, and includes the West Reservoir.



Civic Representation

Brownswood ward's three councillors are Brian Bell (Lab), Feryat Demirci (Lab) and Darren Parker (Lab).

Turnout in Brownswood ward elections:

Election	Numbers voting	Turnout	Borough-wide Turnout
Local elections 2006	2,195	32.0%	34.4%
Local elections 2002	1,981	27.6%	31.9%

Source: www.hackney.gov.uk

Although turnout improved between 2002 and 2006, it remains below the borough average.

Brownswood lies in the parliamentary constituency of Hackney North and Stoke Newington. This seat was won at the 2005 general election by Diane Abbott (Lab), with a majority of 7,427 on a 49.6% turnout.