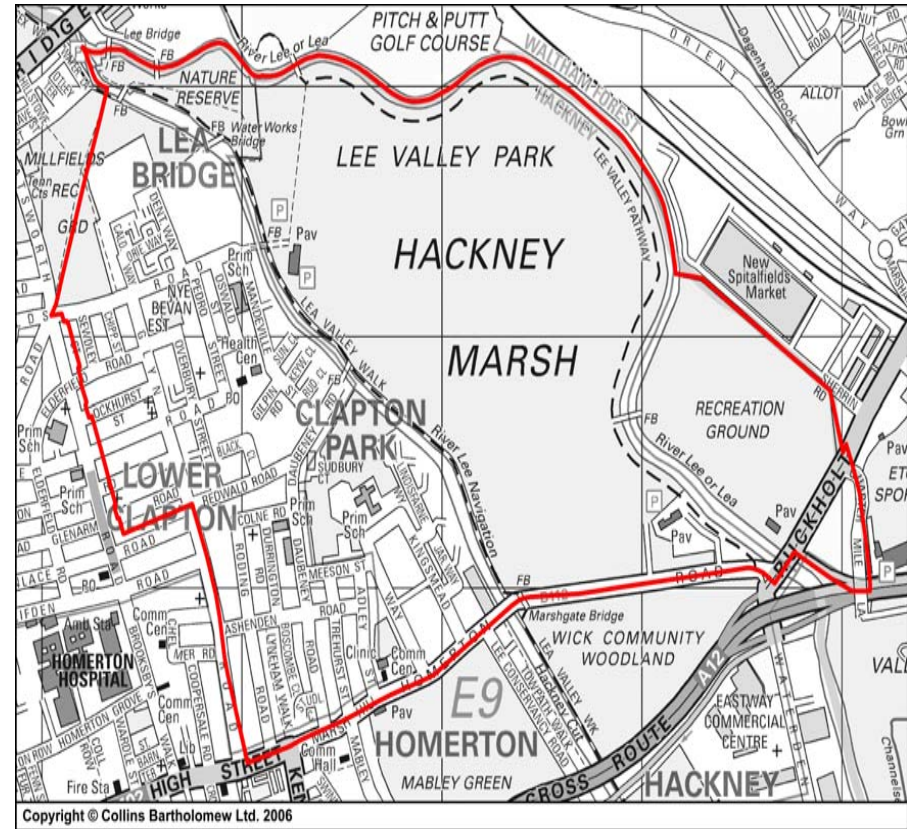




A Profile of King's Park Ward



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Introduction

This profile explores the demographic, social and economic characteristics of King's Park 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>).

King's Park ward lies on the eastern edge of Hackney. At the time of the 2001 census its 181 hectares were home to 10,964 people, making it the least densely populated of any of Hackney's wards. It forms part of the Homerton neighbourhood and includes Hackney Marshes, the largest area of parkland in the borough.

The profile shows that King's Park's population has proportionately more children and middle-aged people (45-65 year olds) than Hackney's, but fewer young adults. The ward is very ethnically diverse, with proportionately more Black people and fewer White ones than average. The ward has many married couple and lone parent households but comparatively few single person ones.

King's Park's economic and social profiles show it to be poorer than the Hackney norm. Levels of qualifications are lower and more people are economically inactive - less than half the working-age population is in work. However, levels of poor health and limiting long-term illness are only a little worse than the Hackney average.

The area has lower crime rates than the borough average, but the trends in crime rates over the last year are mixed.



Age

Age	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
People aged 0-4	7.5%	8.3%	6.7%	6.0%
People aged 5-7	4.5%	4.2%	3.8%	3.7%
People aged 8-9	3.0%	2.8%	2.5%	2.6%
People aged 10-14	8.6%	6.9%	6.1%	6.6%
People aged 15	1.5%	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%
People aged 16-17	3.3%	2.6%	2.4%	2.5%
People aged 18-19	3.0%	2.4%	2.3%	2.4%
People aged 20-24	7.8%	7.8%	7.4%	6.0%
People aged 25-29	7.2%	10.3%	9.7%	6.6%
People aged 30-44	25.2%	27.5%	25.7%	22.6%
People aged 45-59	15.1%	13.5%	16.1%	18.9%
People aged 60-64	4.2%	3.3%	3.9%	4.9%
People aged 65-74	5.8%	5.1%	6.5%	8.4%
People aged 75-84	2.7%	3.1%	4.3%	5.6%
People aged 85-89	0.5%	0.7%	1.1%	1.3%
People aged 90 and over	0.3%	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%
All People	10964	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 the over-45s.

King's Park's age profile differs from Hackney's. It has proportionately more children and young people between the ages of 5 and 20, and more people between 45 and 74. However, it has a smaller percentage of 25 to 44 year olds than the borough average.



Ethnicity

Ethnicity	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
White	48.0%	59.4%	71.2%	91.3%
White; British	34.9%	44.1%	59.8%	87.5%
White; Irish	2.8%	3.0%	3.1%	1.2%
White; Other White	10.3%	12.3%	8.3%	2.6%
Mixed	4.8%	4.2%	3.2%	1.3%
Mixed; White and Black Caribbean	2.3%	1.5%	1.0%	0.5%
Mixed; White and Black African	1.0%	0.8%	0.5%	0.2%
Mixed; White and Asian	0.6%	0.8%	0.8%	0.4%
Mixed; Other Mixed	0.9%	1.1%	0.9%	0.3%
Asian or Asian British	8.1%	8.6%	12.1%	4.4%
Indian	3.4%	3.8%	6.1%	2.0%
Pakistani	1.2%	1.1%	2.0%	1.4%
Bangladeshi	2.7%	2.9%	2.2%	0.5%
Other Asian	0.9%	0.8%	1.9%	0.5%
Black or Black British	36.5%	24.7%	10.9%	2.2%
Caribbean	15.1%	10.3%	4.8%	1.1%
African	17.4%	12.0%	5.3%	0.9%
Other Black	4.1%	2.4%	0.8%	0.2%
Chinese or Other Ethnic Group	2.6%	3.2%	2.7%	0.9%
Chinese	1.4%	1.2%	1.1%	0.4%
Other Ethnic Group	1.2%	2.0%	1.6%	0.4%

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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.

This diversity is even more pronounced in King's Park. More than 36% of the ward's population is Black, while just less than 35% is White British, the lowest share in any Hackney ward. King's Park also has a higher proportion of Mixed groups than is typical for the borough.



Religion

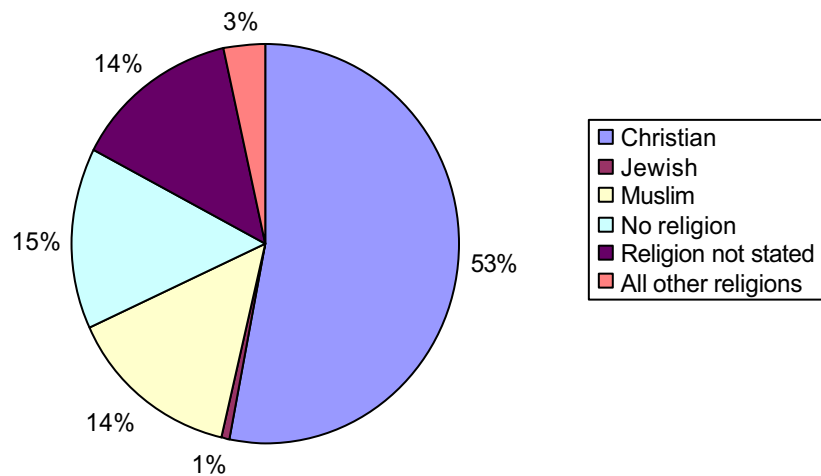
Religion	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Christian	52.9%	46.6%	58.2%	71.7%
Buddhist	1.0%	1.1%	0.8%	0.3%
Hindu	0.7%	0.8%	4.1%	1.1%
Jewish	0.8%	5.3%	2.1%	0.5%
Muslim	14.2%	13.8%	8.5%	3.0%
Sikh	1.0%	0.9%	1.5%	0.6%
Any other religion	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%
No religion	14.8%	19.0%	15.8%	14.8%
Religion not stated	14.0%	12.0%	8.7%	7.7%

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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.

King's Park has higher proportions of both Christians and Muslims than Hackney does, but a much lower one of Jews. The percentage of people stating they had no religion is also well below the borough average.

Religion in King's Park





Social Class

Social Grade	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
AB: Higher and intermediate managerial / administrative / professional	17.3%	21.3%	26.5%	22.0%
C1: Supervisory, clerical, junior managerial / administrative / professional	28.1%	30.2%	33.0%	29.7%
C2: Skilled manual workers	11.1%	9.4%	11.0%	15.1%
D: Semi-skilled and unskilled manual workers	22.3%	18.3%	14.3%	17.2%
E: On state benefit, unemployed, lowest grade workers	21.3%	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.

King's Park's class profile is weighted towards grades D and E – they constitute more than 43% of the ward's people. King's Park has comparatively few ABs or C1s by Hackney standards.



Household type

Household Type	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Married couple household with dependent child(ren)	14.9%	13.3%	16.8%	18.5%
Married couple household with no dependent child(ren)	12.5%	10.9%	20.0%	28.8%
Cohabiting couple household with dependent child(ren)	3.6%	3.5%	2.7%	3.4%
Cohabiting couple household with no dependent child(ren)	4.8%	7.3%	6.7%	5.7%
Lone parent household with dependent child(ren)	16.0%	12.4%	8.9%	7.2%
Lone parent household with no dependent child(ren)	5.3%	4.3%	4.0%	3.4%
One person household	36.0%	40.5%	34.7%	30.0%
Multi person household: All student	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Multi person household: All other	6.5%	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).

King's Park has higher shares of married couple and lone parent households than is typical for Hackney. It also has fewer single person households, though this is still the largest single category.



Housing Tenure and House Prices

Housing Tenure	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Owned	31.5%	32.1%	56.5%	68.9%
Social rented: Rented from Council	30.8%	30.7%	17.1%	13.2%
Social rented: Other social rented	26.4%	20.1%	9.1%	5.9%
Private rented	9.9%	15.5%	15.5%	9.9%
Other	1.5%	1.6%	1.8%	2.1%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

House Prices 2002	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Price Indicators by Dwelling Type: Flat - Median	£124,000	£160,000	£160,000	£111,000
Price Indicators by Dwelling Type: Terraced - Median	£195,000	£250,000	£180,000	£80,000
Price Indicators for All Dwellings: Median	£142,000	£180,000	£181,000	£110,000

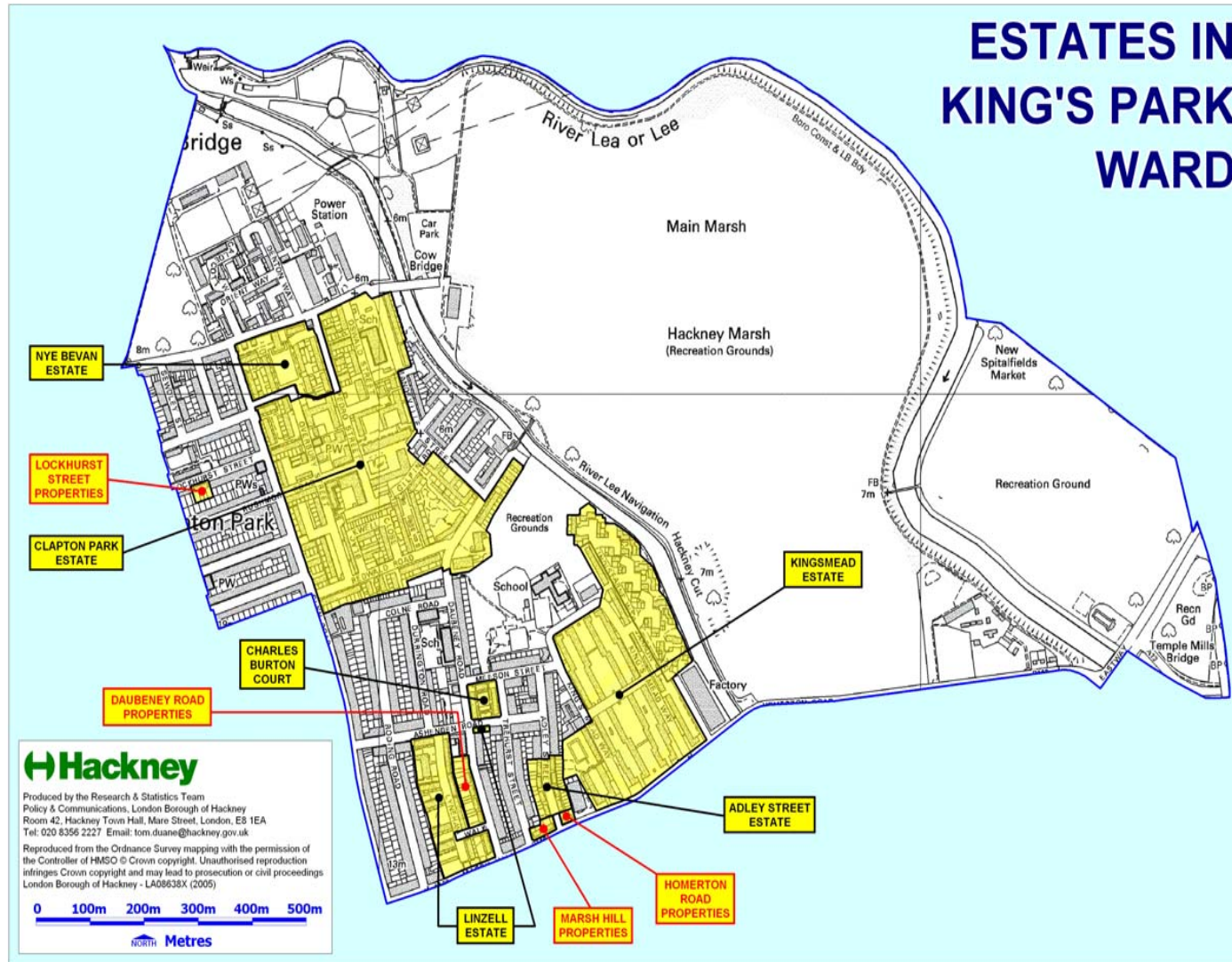
Source: Land Registry, DCLG, ONS

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.

Social housing is dominant in King's Park, too, accounting for around 57% of tenure. House prices in the ward are generally lower than the Hackney average.



Social Housing Estates in King's Park





Qualifications

Qualification Level	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
No qualifications	32.3%	29.0%	23.7%	29.1%
Level 1 qualifications	12.1%	10.5%	13.0%	16.6%
Level 2 qualifications	15.4%	13.8%	17.1%	19.4%
Level 3 qualifications	8.7%	8.6%	9.8%	8.3%
Level 4 / 5 qualifications	25.4%	32.9%	31.0%	19.8%
Other qualifications: Level unknown	6.2%	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.

King’s Park’s profile is skewed towards lower-end qualifications. Almost a third of people have no qualifications while just over a quarter have degrees or their equivalent.

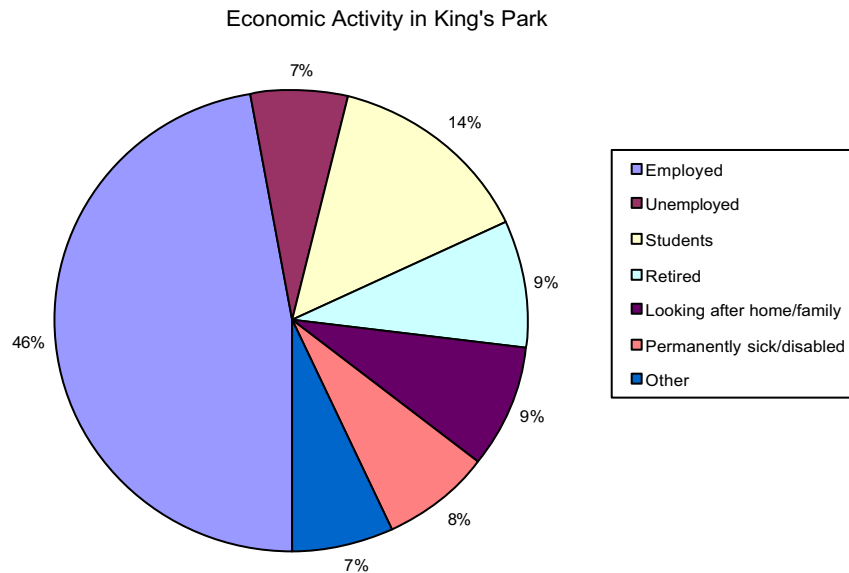


Economic Activity

Economic Activity	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Economically active: Employee	41.5%	43.2%	51.3%	52.3%
Economically active: Self-employed with employees	1.7%	2.3%	2.9%	3.0%
Economically active: Self-employed without employees	3.9%	5.9%	6.1%	5.3%
Economically active: Unemployed	6.8%	6.9%	4.4%	3.4%
Economically active: Full-time Students	4.1%	3.5%	3.0%	2.6%
Economically inactive: Retired	8.8%	7.5%	9.8%	13.6%
Economically inactive: Student	10.2%	9.2%	6.6%	4.7%
Economically inactive: Looking after home / family	8.5%	7.9%	7.2%	6.5%
Economically inactive: Permanently sick / disabled	7.7%	7.0%	4.6%	5.5%
Economically inactive: Other	6.9%	6.5%	4.3%	3.1%

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.



Again, things are worse in King's Park than in Hackney generally. Less than half the residents between the ages of 16 and 74 are in employment – rates of self-employment are especially low – while economic inactivity is high. Despite this, the unemployment rate is a fraction lower than the average for the borough.



Industry of Employment

Industry of Employment	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Agriculture, fishing, mining	0.3%	0.3%	0.5%	1.8%
Manufacturing	7.6%	7.8%	7.6%	15.0%
Electricity, gas and water supply	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.7%
Construction	4.6%	3.3%	5.3%	6.8%
Wholesale and retail trade, repairs	14.1%	12.1%	14.4%	16.8%
Hotels and restaurants	5.0%	5.2%	4.6%	4.8%
Transport, storage and communications	7.6%	6.2%	8.1%	7.0%
Financial intermediation	3.9%	4.5%	8.0%	4.7%
Real estate, renting and business activities	16.5%	21.6%	20.3%	13.0%
Public administration and defence, social security	4.8%	5.1%	5.4%	5.7%
Education	10.4%	10.3%	7.5%	7.8%
Health and social work	15.8%	12.4%	10.1%	10.8%
Other community, social and personal service activities	9.1%	10.8%	7.7%	5.0%
Any other	0.1%	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.

These trends are also apparent in King's Park. Health and social work is particularly important here, at almost 16% of employment, while the proportion working in 'wholesale and retail trade, repairs' is also higher than the Hackney norm.



Occupation Group

Occupation Group	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Managers and Senior Officials	11.0%	14.0%	17.6%	15.1%
Professional Occupations	12.8%	16.8%	14.9%	11.2%
Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	17.3%	21.5%	17.9%	13.8%
Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	13.8%	13.0%	15.5%	13.3%
Skilled Trades Occupations	8.0%	6.3%	7.7%	11.6%
Personal Service Occupations	8.5%	6.4%	5.9%	6.9%
Sales and Customer Service Occupations	7.9%	6.3%	6.7%	7.7%
Process; Plant and Machine Operatives	7.0%	4.7%	4.9%	8.5%
Elementary Occupations	13.8%	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.

King's Park's profile is different again. It has relatively low shares of managers, professionals and associate professionals by Hackney standards, but higher ones of personal and customer services workers. Perhaps the most notable figure, though, is that for those working in elementary occupations – almost 14%. This category includes labourers, postal workers, cleaners, bar/restaurant staff and security guards.

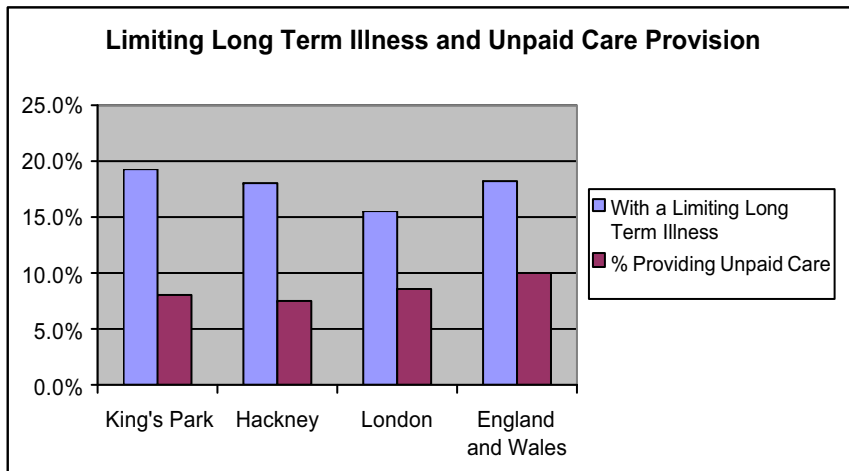


Health

Health Status	King's Park	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Good Health	67.5%	68.4%	70.8%	68.6%
Fairly Good Health	21.2%	21.0%	20.9%	22.2%
Not Good Health	11.4%	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.



King's Park residents' health is generally a little poorer than the average for Hackney. Just over two-thirds of residents report their health as good, while almost a fifth have a limiting long-term illness. The proportion of people providing unpaid care is slightly higher than the borough norm.



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% fall.

Crime data for King's Park ward, 2005 and 2006

MPS Offences per 1,000 people (rolling year)	12 months to Oct 2005	12 months to Oct 2006	% Change
Burglary	7.66	9.76	27.4
Criminal Damage	14.96	13.04	-12.8
Drugs Offences	5.29	4.20	-20.7
Fraud or Forgery	0.82	1.73	111.1
Other Offences	0.64	0.73	14.3
Robbery	5.38	5.75	6.8
Sexual Offences	1.19	1.00	-15.4
Theft and Handling	26.27	24.44	-6.9
Violence against the Person	24.63	27.54	11.9

Recorded crime rates in King's Park ward in the last year present a mixed picture. Increases have been seen in fraud, robbery, burglary and violence against the person, while there have been falls in criminal damage, drugs and sexual offences. Crime in King's Park is generally lower than the average for Hackney.

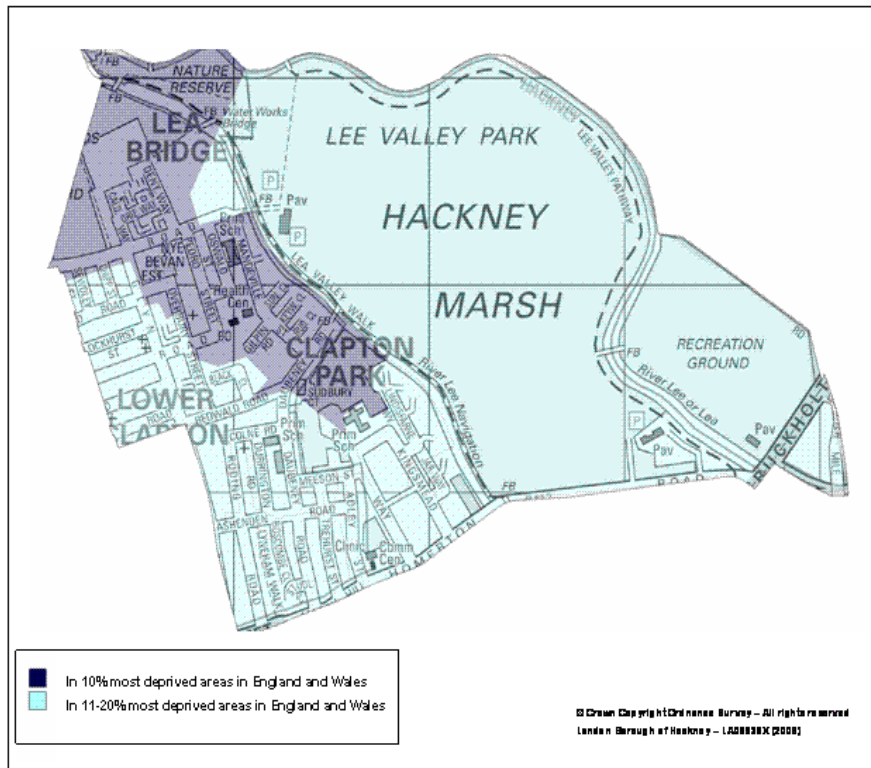
Source: Metropolitan Police Service



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%
King's Park	4062	52	7	7	2	

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.

All seven SOAs in King's Park ward rank among the 20% most deprived nationally. According to a calculation prepared for the GLA, King's Park itself ranks as the 52nd most deprived ward in London.



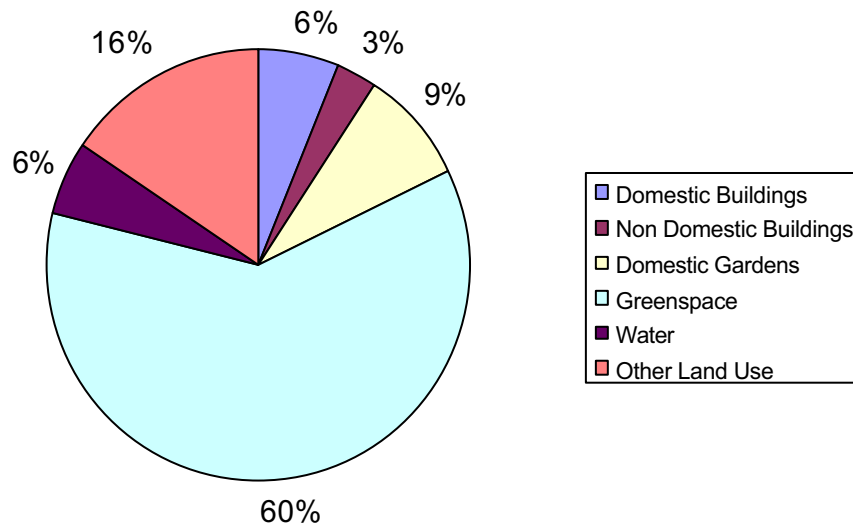
Land Use

Land Use	King's Park	Hackney	London
Domestic Buildings	6.1%	12.6%	8.5%
Non Domestic Buildings	3.0%	10.2%	4.8%
Domestic Gardens	8.6%	18.4%	24.0%
Greenspace	61.2%	24.2%	38.4%
Water	5.6%	2.2%	2.8%
Other Land Use	15.5%	32.5%	21.4%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

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.

Land Use in King's Park



Thanks principally to Hackney Marshes, public green space and bodies of water make up two-thirds of King's Park's land area.



Civic Representation

King's Park ward's three councillors are Julius Nkafu (Lab), Sharon Patrick (Lab) and Mohammad Siddiqui (Lab).

Turnout in King's Park ward elections:

Election	Numbers voting	Turnout	Borough-wide Turnout
Local elections 2006	2,120	32.3%	34.4%
Local elections 2002	2,050	31.5%	31.9%

Source: www.hackney.gov.uk

Turnout in King's Park was just below the borough average in both 2002 and 2006.

King's Park lies in the parliamentary constituency of Hackney South and Shoreditch. This seat was won at the 2005 general election by Meg Hillier (Lab), with a majority of 10,204 on a 49.7% turnout.