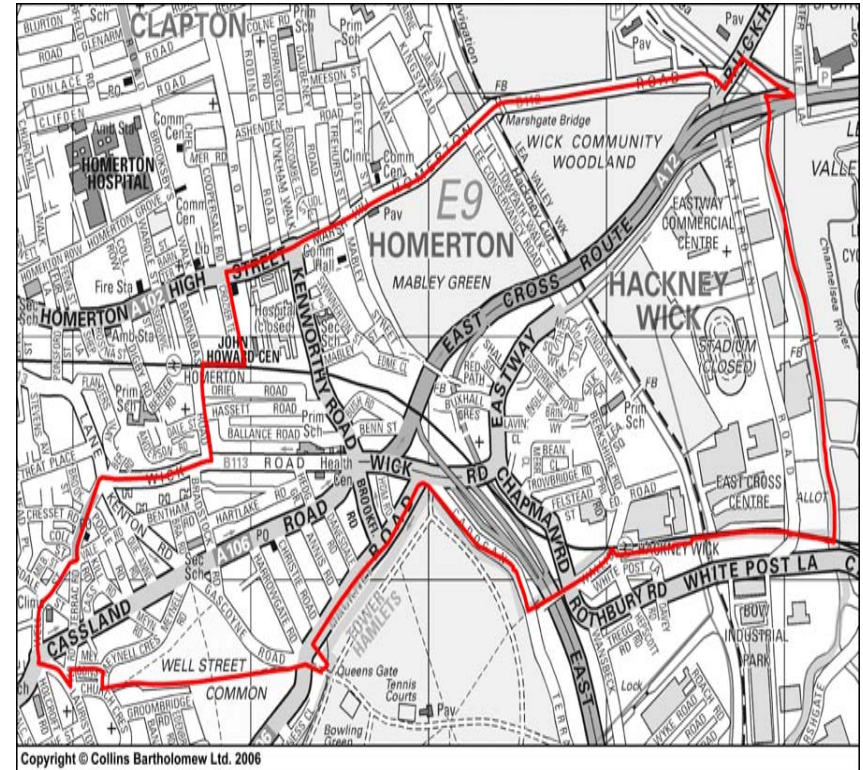




A Profile of Wick Ward



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Introduction

This profile explores the demographic, social and economic characteristics of Wick 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>).

Wick ward lies in the south-east of Hackney. At the time of the 2001 census its 163 hectares were home to 11,049 people. The ward forms part of the Homerton neighbourhood.

The profile shows that Wick's population has broadly similar age and ethnicity profiles to Hackney's. The ward's household structures also resemble the wider borough's.

Wick's economic and social profiles show it to be poorer than the Hackney norm. Levels of qualifications are lower and more people are unemployed or economically inactive - less than half the working-age population is in work. Residents also have higher levels of poor health and limiting long-term illness.

The area's crime rates are a little lower than the borough average, and crime has fallen in the last year.



Age

Age	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
People aged 0-4	7.8%	8.3%	6.7%	6.0%
People aged 5-7	4.3%	4.2%	3.8%	3.7%
People aged 8-9	3.2%	2.8%	2.5%	2.6%
People aged 10-14	6.8%	6.9%	6.1%	6.6%
People aged 15	1.5%	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%
People aged 16-17	2.8%	2.6%	2.4%	2.5%
People aged 18-19	3.0%	2.4%	2.3%	2.4%
People aged 20-24	8.8%	7.8%	7.4%	6.0%
People aged 25-29	9.2%	10.3%	9.7%	6.6%
People aged 30-44	25.0%	27.5%	25.7%	22.6%
People aged 45-59	13.0%	13.5%	16.1%	18.9%
People aged 60-64	3.3%	3.3%	3.9%	4.9%
People aged 65-74	6.0%	5.1%	6.5%	8.4%
People aged 75-84	3.8%	3.1%	4.3%	5.6%
People aged 85-89	1.2%	0.7%	1.1%	1.3%
People aged 90 and over	0.5%	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%
All People	11049	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.

Wick's age profile resembles Hackney's. However, it does have relatively more 18-24 year olds and 65-and-overs.



Ethnicity

Ethnicity	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
White	61.1%	59.4%	71.2%	91.3%
White; British	47.8%	44.1%	59.8%	87.5%
White; Irish	3.1%	3.0%	3.1%	1.2%
White; Other White	10.2%	12.3%	8.3%	2.6%
Mixed	4.0%	4.2%	3.2%	1.3%
Mixed; White and Black Caribbean	1.8%	1.5%	1.0%	0.5%
Mixed; White and Black African	0.7%	0.8%	0.5%	0.2%
Mixed; White and Asian	0.5%	0.8%	0.8%	0.4%
Mixed; Other Mixed	1.0%	1.1%	0.9%	0.3%
Asian or Asian British	5.3%	8.6%	12.1%	4.4%
Indian	1.5%	3.8%	6.1%	2.0%
Pakistani	0.6%	1.1%	2.0%	1.4%
Bangladeshi	2.4%	2.9%	2.2%	0.5%
Other Asian	0.8%	0.8%	1.9%	0.5%
Black or Black British	25.8%	24.7%	10.9%	2.2%
Caribbean	10.0%	10.3%	4.8%	1.1%
African	12.7%	12.0%	5.3%	0.9%
Other Black	3.1%	2.4%	0.8%	0.2%
Chinese or Other Ethnic Group	3.8%	3.2%	2.7%	0.9%
Chinese	1.5%	1.2%	1.1%	0.4%
Other Ethnic Group	2.4%	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 .

Wick’s ethnicity profile is broadly similar to Hackney’s. It has a higher proportion of Chinese or Other groups than is typical for the borough, but fewer Asians.

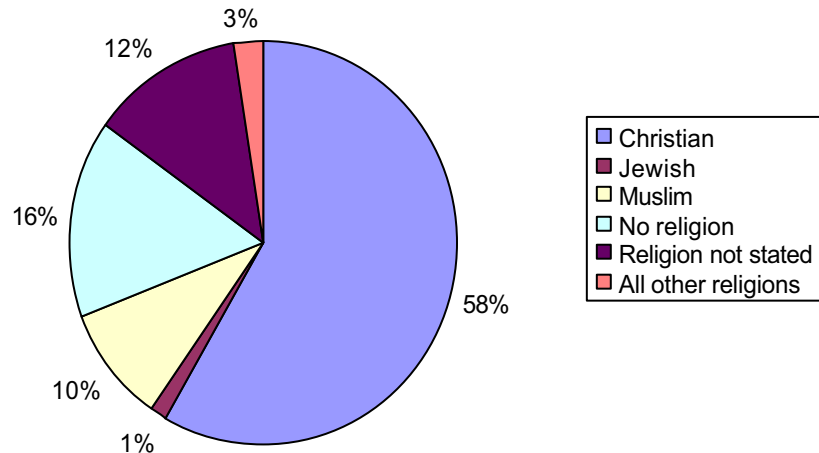


Religion

Religion	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Christian	58.3%	46.6%	58.2%	71.7%
Buddhist	1.3%	1.1%	0.8%	0.3%
Hindu	0.5%	0.8%	4.1%	1.1%
Jewish	1.4%	5.3%	2.1%	0.5%
Muslim	9.6%	13.8%	8.5%	3.0%
Sikh	0.5%	0.9%	1.5%	0.6%
Any other religion	0.3%	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%
No religion	15.7%	19.0%	15.8%	14.8%
Religion not stated	12.5%	12.0%	8.7%	7.7%

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Religion in Wick



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.

Wick has a higher proportion of Christians than Hackney does, but lower ones of Jews and Muslims. The percentage of people saying they have no religion is below the average for the borough.



Social Class

Social Grade	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
AB: Higher and intermediate managerial / administrative / professional	18.4%	21.3%	26.5%	22.0%
C1: Supervisory, clerical, junior managerial / administrative / professional	27.2%	30.2%	33.0%	29.7%
C2: Skilled manual workers	9.6%	9.4%	11.0%	15.1%
D: Semi-skilled and unskilled manual workers	19.9%	18.3%	14.3%	17.2%
E: On state benefit, unemployed, lowest grade workers	24.9%	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.

Wick's class profile shows high concentrations of classes D and E – they constitute almost 45% of the ward's people. Wick has comparatively few ABs or C1s.



Household type

Household Type	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Married couple household with dependent child(ren)	10.7%	13.3%	16.8%	18.5%
Married couple household with no dependent child(ren)	11.9%	10.9%	20.0%	28.8%
Cohabiting couple household with dependent child(ren)	3.4%	3.5%	2.7%	3.4%
Cohabiting couple household with no dependent child(ren)	5.9%	7.3%	6.7%	5.7%
Lone parent household with dependent child(ren)	15.2%	12.4%	8.9%	7.2%
Lone parent household with no dependent child(ren)	3.8%	4.3%	4.0%	3.4%
One person household	42.8%	40.5%	34.7%	30.0%
Multi person household: All student	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Multi person household: All other	5.6%	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).

Once again, Wick generally has a similar profile to the wider borough, although it does have a lower share of married couple with dependent children households.



Housing Tenure and House Prices

Housing Tenure	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Owned	26.8%	32.1%	56.5%	68.9%
Social rented: Rented from Council	27.3%	30.7%	17.1%	13.2%
Social rented: Other social rented	33.9%	20.1%	9.1%	5.9%
Private rented	10.3%	15.5%	15.5%	9.9%
Other	1.7%	1.6%	1.8%	2.1%

Source: 2001 Census. Crown copyright

House Prices 2002	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Price Indicators by Dwelling Type: Flat - Median	£121,000	£160,000	£160,000	£111,000
Price Indicators by Dwelling Type: Terraced - Median	£171,250	£250,000	£180,000	£80,000
Price Indicators for All Dwellings: Median	£140,000	£180,000	£181,000	£110,000

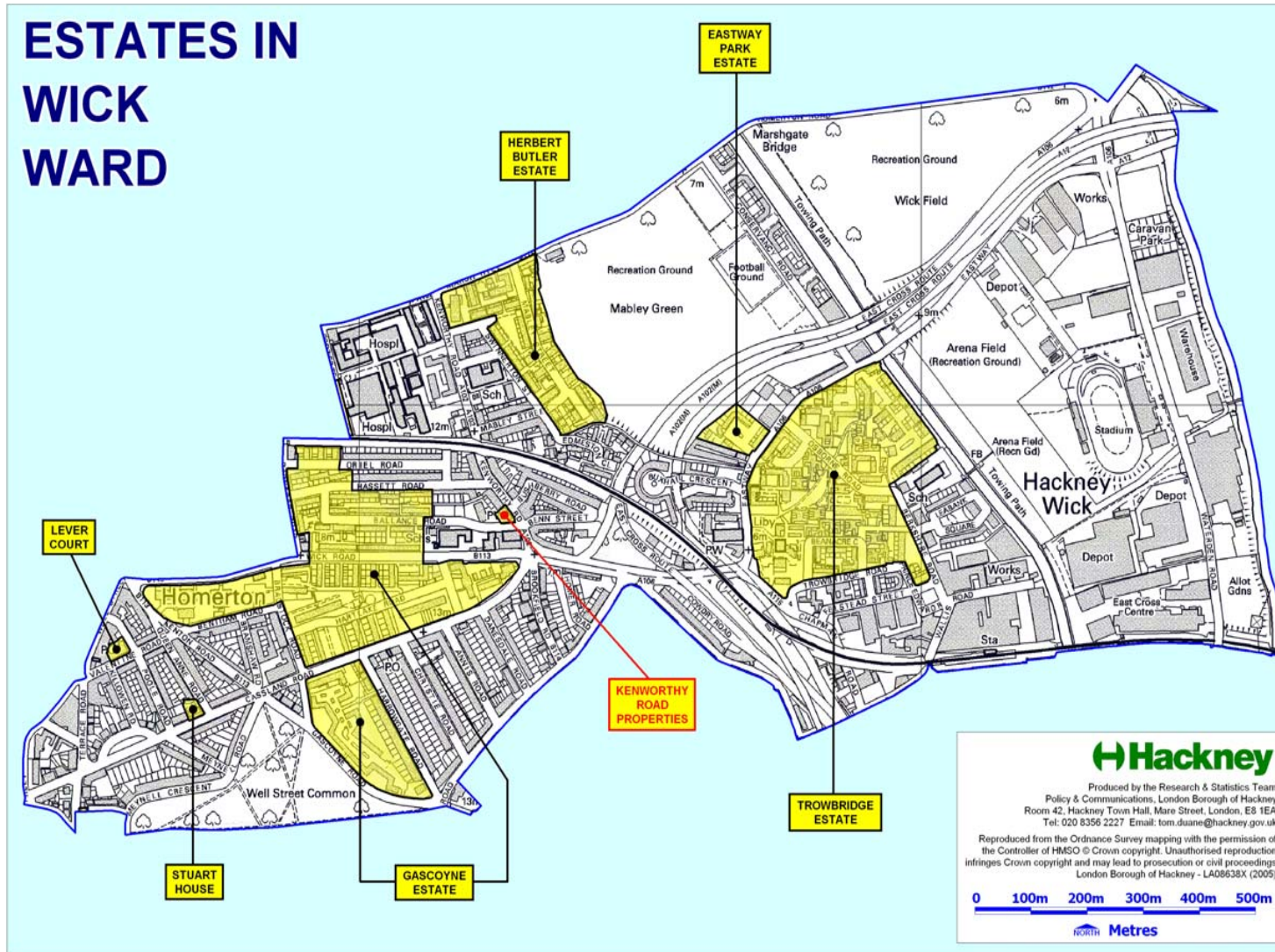
Source: Land Registry, DCLG, ONS

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 Wick, too, accounting for around 61% of tenure. House prices in the ward are significantly lower than the Hackney average.



Social Housing Estates in Wick





Qualifications

Qualification Level	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
No qualifications	32.1%	29.0%	23.7%	29.1%
Level 1 qualifications	10.8%	10.5%	13.0%	16.6%
Level 2 qualifications	15.5%	13.8%	17.1%	19.4%
Level 3 qualifications	10.1%	8.6%	9.8%	8.3%
Level 4 / 5 qualifications	25.9%	32.9%	31.0%	19.8%
Other qualifications: Level unknown	5.5%	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.

Wick’s profile is skewed towards lower-end skills. Almost a third of people have no qualifications while just over a quarter have degrees.



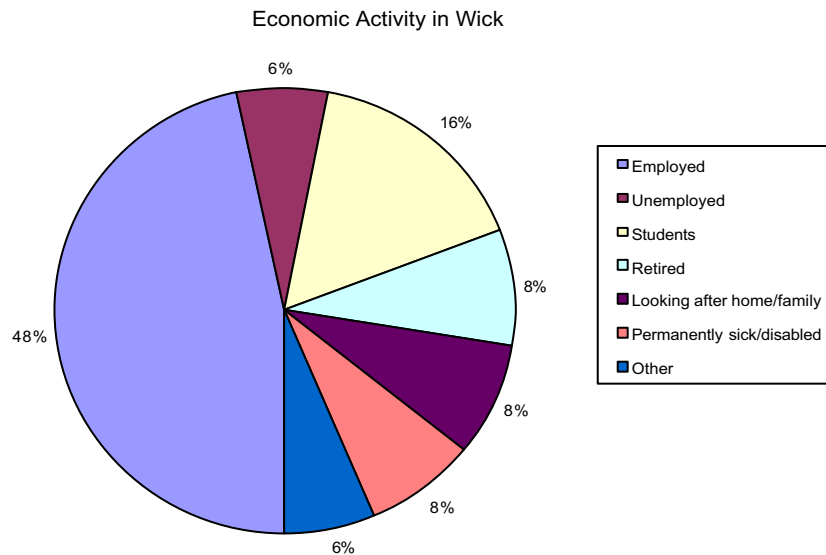
Economic Activity

Economic Activity	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Economically active: Employee	39.7%	43.2%	51.3%	52.3%
Economically active: Self-employed with employees	2.4%	2.3%	2.9%	3.0%
Economically active: Self-employed without employees	4.5%	5.9%	6.1%	5.3%
Economically active: Unemployed	6.5%	6.9%	4.4%	3.4%
Economically active: Full-time Students	5.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.6%
Economically inactive: Retired	8.4%	7.5%	9.8%	13.6%
Economically inactive: Student	11.0%	9.2%	6.6%	4.7%
Economically inactive: Looking after home / family	8.4%	7.9%	7.2%	6.5%
Economically inactive: Permanently sick / disabled	7.9%	7.0%	4.6%	5.5%
Economically inactive: Other	6.3%	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.



Things are worse in Wick than in Hackney generally. Less than half the residents between the ages of 16 and 74 are in employment and levels of disability are high. There are also large numbers of students.



Industry of Employment

Industry of Employment	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Agriculture, fishing, mining	0.3%	0.3%	0.5%	1.8%
Manufacturing	8.4%	7.8%	7.6%	15.0%
Electricity, gas and water supply	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.7%
Construction	5.1%	3.3%	5.3%	6.8%
Wholesale and retail trade, repairs	12.4%	12.1%	14.4%	16.8%
Hotels and restaurants	4.4%	5.2%	4.6%	4.8%
Transport, storage and communications	6.8%	6.2%	8.1%	7.0%
Financial intermediation	5.6%	4.5%	8.0%	4.7%
Real estate, renting and business activities	18.0%	21.6%	20.3%	13.0%
Public administration and defence, social security	5.3%	5.1%	5.4%	5.7%
Education	8.5%	10.3%	7.5%	7.8%
Health and social work	15.3%	12.4%	10.1%	10.8%
Other community, social and personal service activities	9.5%	10.8%	7.7%	5.0%
Any other	0.3%	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 apparent in Wick too. Health and social work is particularly important, accounting for more than 15% of jobs. Employment in the construction and transport sectors is also higher than the Hackney norm.



Occupation Group

Occupation Group	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Managers and Senior Officials	12.6%	14.0%	17.6%	15.1%
Professional Occupations	12.4%	16.8%	14.9%	11.2%
Associate Professional and Technical Occupations	20.8%	21.5%	17.9%	13.8%
Administrative and Secretarial Occupations	14.3%	13.0%	15.5%	13.3%
Skilled Trades Occupations	7.2%	6.3%	7.7%	11.6%
Personal Service Occupations	8.0%	6.4%	5.9%	6.9%
Sales and Customer Service Occupations	7.2%	6.3%	6.7%	7.7%
Process; Plant and Machine Operatives	6.0%	4.7%	4.9%	8.5%
Elementary Occupations	11.6%	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.

Wick's profile is different again. It has relatively low shares of managers and professionals by Hackney standards, but higher ones of personal services workers and process, plant and machine operatives.

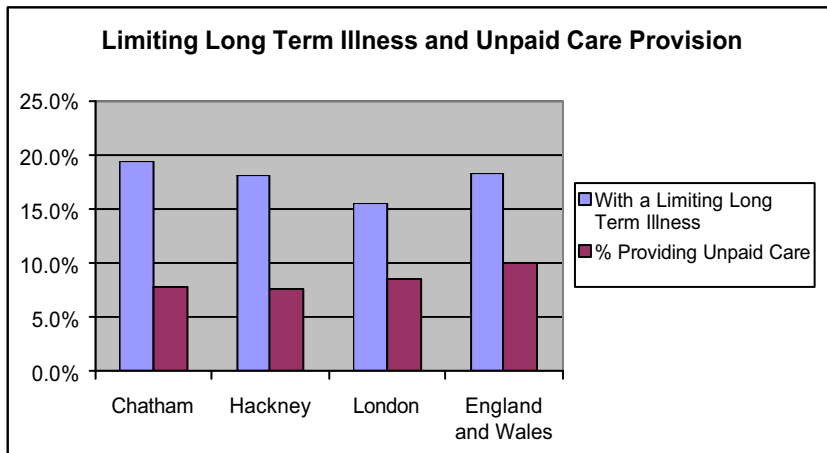


Health

Health Status	Wick	Hackney	London	England and Wales
Good Health	66.0%	68.4%	70.8%	68.6%
Fairly Good Health	22.7%	21.0%	20.9%	22.2%
Not Good Health	11.3%	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.



Wick residents' health is generally poorer than the average for Hackney. Just under two-thirds of residents report their health as good, while almost a fifth have a limiting long-term illness. Despite this, 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% fall.

Crime data for Wick ward, 2005 and 2006

MPS Offences per 1,000 people (rolling year)	12 months to Oct 2005	12 months to Oct 2006	% Change
Burglary	15.93	14.75	-7.4
Criminal Damage	18.46	20.09	8.8
Drugs Offences	8.24	7.33	-11.0
Fraud or Forgery	3.26	2.44	-25.0
Other Offences	1.09	0.91	-16.7
Robbery	8.42	8.24	-2.2
Sexual Offences	1.63	1.00	-38.9
Theft and Handling	42.72	42.63	-0.2
Violence against the Person	28.78	28.60	-0.6

Recorded crime in Wick ward has also been falling, with the one exception of criminal damage. Crime in Wick is generally a little lower than the average for Hackney, though this is not true for all categories of crime.

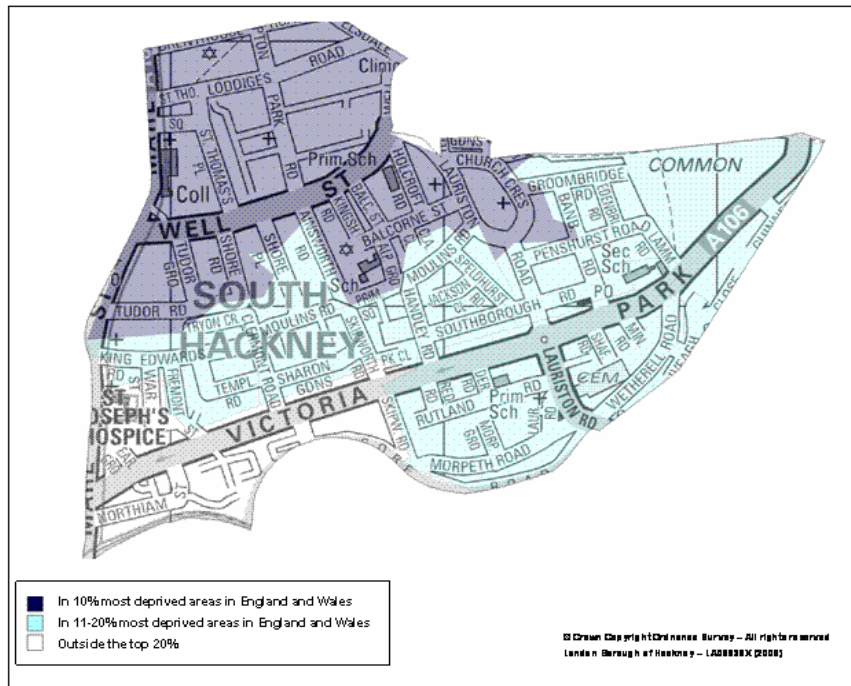
Source: Metropolitan Police Service



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%
Wick	4052	51	7	7	6	4

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.

Six of the seven SOAs in Wick ward rank among the 20% most deprived nationally. According to a calculation prepared for the GLA, Wick itself ranks as the 51st most deprived ward in London.



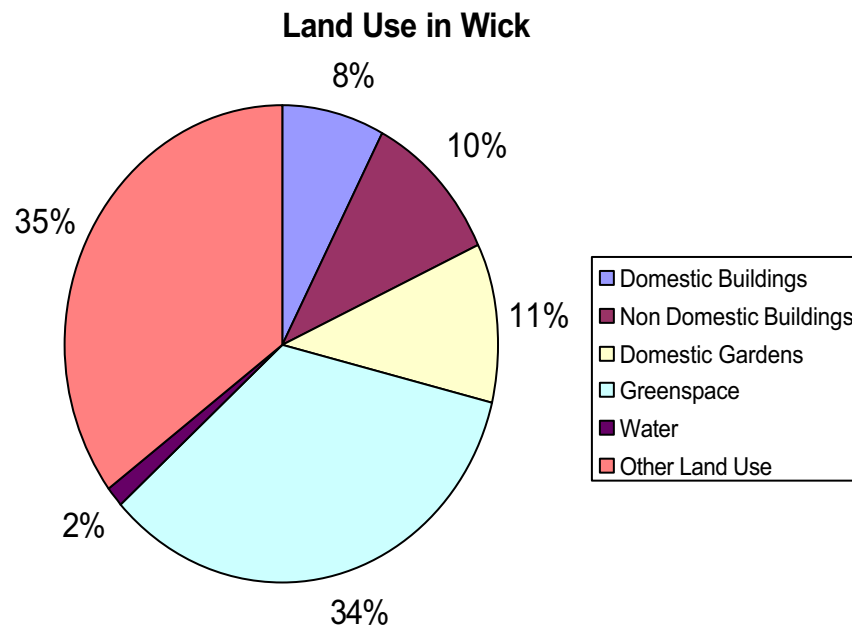
Land Use

Land Use	Wick	Hackney	London
Domestic Buildings	7.9%	12.6%	8.5%
Non Domestic Buildings	10.3%	10.2%	4.8%
Domestic Gardens	10.9%	18.4%	24.0%
Greenspace	34.2%	24.2%	38.4%
Water	1.5%	2.2%	2.8%
Other Land Use	35.3%	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.

Although more of Wick is taken up by other land uses than is the norm in Hackney, public green spaces such as Mabley Green still constitute more than a third of its area.





Civic Representation

Wick ward's three councillors are Christine Boyd (Lab), Christopher Kennedy (Lab) and Jessica Webb (Lab).

Turnout in Wick ward elections :

Election	Numbers voting	Turnout	Borough-wide Turnout
Local elections 2006	2,146	30.2%	34.4%
Local elections 2002	1,930	28.3%	31.9%

Source: www.hackney.gov.uk

Turnout in Wick was below the borough average in both 2002 and 2006.

Wick 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.