

Bracknell Forest Borough At a glance profile

1 General:

Bracknell Forest Borough contains the six parishes of Binfield, Bracknell, Crowthorne, Sandhurst, Warfield and Winkfield, covering some 110sq km (10,981 hectares). The borough is centred on the main town of Bracknell, a former New Town, with outlying centres Crowthorne and Sandhurst, and a range of smaller settlements and villages.

Metropolitan Green Belt applies to the north and east of the Borough, and a European Union nature conservation area covers the central area between Bracknell town and Crowthorne.

Bracknell Forest is 28 miles west of London 30 minutes by road from Heathrow Airport, 60 minutes from Gatwick Airport Linked with M3, M4 and M25 motorway network. It also has good rail links to Central London and Reading.

2 Age Profile:

Projections of now and in the near future:

Age	2001		2006	
0-4	7456	7%	6585	6%
5-15	15836	14%	15045	13%
16-29	21019	19%	21546	19%^
30-44	31289	28%	29393	26%
45-64	23716	21%	26843	24%
65-74	6741	6%	7183	6%
75+	6531	6%	7510	7%
	112588	100%	114105	100%

Source: Population in Berkshire 2001 Review (JSPU/GLA)

Please note that the 2001 projection is 2.7% higher than the actual Census 2001 total of 109,617 for Bracknell Forest.

3 Population change

<i>Year</i>	<i>Total Population</i>
1951	23408
1961	43192
1971	64135
1981	81225
1991	95949

Source Census

4 Gender Mix

The mix in Bracknell Forest is a 50:50 split

Source: Population in Berkshire 2001 Review (JSPU/GLA)

5 Ethnicity:

<i>Ethnic Group</i>	<i>Bracknell Forest</i>	<i>England</i>
White	95.05%	90.92%
Asian	2.69%	5.25%
Black African and Caribbean	1.45%	2.93%
Chinese	0.37%	0.45%
Other	0.42%	0.44%

Source: Census 2001 Table KS06 Ethnic Group

6 Employment:

% of all people aged 16-74 in employment

<i>Industry</i>	<i>Bracknell Forest</i>	<i>England and Wales</i>
Agriculture; hunting and forestry; mining & quarrying	1.2%	1.77%
Manufacturing	11.16%	14.96%
Electricity; gas and water supply	0.64%	0.73%
Construction	6.14%	6.77%
Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles	16.88%	16.83%
Hotels and catering	4.04%	4.76%
Transport; storage & communication	10.40%	7.01%
Financial intermediation	3.28%	4.73%
Real estate; renting and business activities	22.21%	12.97%
Public administration and defence	4.77%	5.72%
Education	6.08%	7.76%
Health and social work	8.08%	10.81%
Other	5.11%	5.18%

Source: Census 2001 Table KS11a Industry of employment

7 Education:

There are six secondary schools all with sixth forms, six infant and six junior schools and 21 primary schools. Fifteen infant and primary schools have nursery classes and there are 45 early years providers in the private, voluntary and independent sectors. Bracknell & Wokingham College also provides for a range of further education courses

All people aged 16-74:

	<i>Bracknell Forest</i>	<i>England and Wales</i>
With no qualifications	20%	29%
Highest qualification attained level 1*	19%	17%
Highest qualification attained level 2**	23%	19%
Highest qualification attained level 3***	9%	8%
Highest qualification attained level 4/5#	23%	20%
Other qualifications / level unknown	6%	7%

Source: Census 2001 Table KS13 Qualifications and Students

Notes:

- * 1+ 'O' level passes; 1+ CSE/GCSE any grades; NVQ level 1; Foundation GNVQ.
- ** 5+ 'O' level passes; 5+ CSEs (grade 1's); 5+ GCSEs (grades A-C); School Certificate; 1+ 'A' levels/'AS' levels; NVQ level 2; Intermediate GNVQ.
- *** 2+ 'A' levels; 4+ AS levels; Higher School Certificate; NVQ level 3; Advanced GNVQ
- # First degree; Higher degree; NVQ levels 4 and 5; HNC; HND; Qualified Teacher Status; Qualified Medical Doctor; Qualified Dentist; Qualified Nurse; Midwife; Health Visitor.

8 Housing and Built Environment:

At September 2002 , the total dwelling stock in the borough comprised:

- 43,935 dwellings; including
- 6081 BFBC owned dwellings (14% of total); and,
- 1688 Housing Association owned dwellings (4% of total).

Source: BFBC

9 Households:

In April 2001 there were 82,944 people aged 16 and over in 43,392 households. There were a further 944 vacant households. Around 73% of all households are owner occupied.

All people aged 16 and over in households

Area	Single (never married)	Married	Re-married	Separated (but still legally married)	Divorced	Widowed
England and Wales	30%	44%	7%	2%	8%	8%
Bracknell Forest	30%	45%	8%	2%	8%	6%

Source: Census 2001, Table KS04 Marital Status

10 Transport

In Bracknell Forest 71.3% of households travel to work by car and 6.3% by public transport. Also there are:

	Bracknell Forest	England and Wales
Households without car/van	14.5%	26.8%
Households with 1 car or van	40.3%	43.8%
Households with 2 or more cars/vans	45.1%	29.4%

Source: Census 2001 Table KS17 Cars or Vans

11 Religion (all people):

<i>Religion</i>	<i>Bracknell Forest</i>	<i>England and Wales</i>
Christian	72.0%	71.7%
Buddhist	0.3%	0.3%
Hindu	1.0%	1.1%
Jewish	0.2%	0.5%
Muslim	0.7%	3.0%
Sikh	0.2%	0.6%
Other	0.3%	0.3%
No religion	18.0%	14.8%
Religion not stated	7.4%	7.7%

Source: Census 2001 Table KS07 Religion

12 Health:

	<i>Bracknell Forest</i>	<i>England and Wales</i>
Limiting long-term illness	11.7%	18.2%
General health 'not good'	5.6%	9.2%
People providing unpaid care	7.6%	10.0%
Providing unpaid care 50 or more hrs/wk	1.3%	2.1%

Source: Census 2001 Table KS08 Health and provision of unpaid care

13 Work:

	<i>Bracknell Forest</i>	<i>England and Wales</i>
Employed	72.8%	60.6%
Unemployed	2.0%	3.4%
Long-term unemployed	0.4%	1.0%
Student (economically active)	2.6%	2.6%
Retired	9.2%	13.6%
Student (economically inactive)	2.8%	4.7%
Looking after home/family	6.0%	6.5%
Permanently sick or disabled	2.6%	5.5%
Other inactive	2.0%	3.1%

Source: Census 2001 Table KS09a Economic activity