

# London Fields Ward Profile (E05009381)

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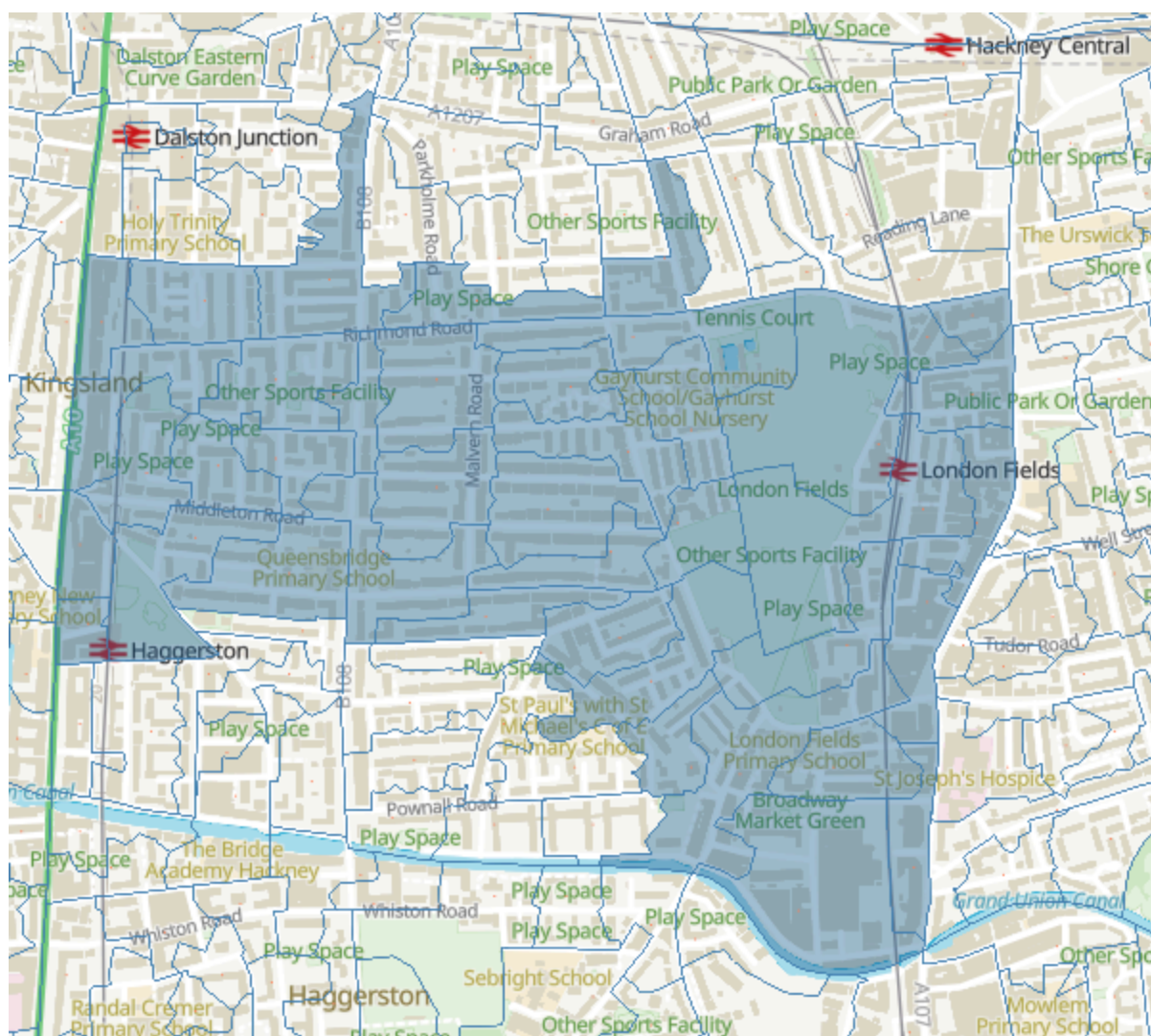
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## Map of London Fields Ward



## Introduction

This profile explores the demographic, social and economic characteristics of London Fields Ward and is largely based on data drawn from the 2021 Census. The ward profiles should be a helpful resource for local people and services that want a basic overview of the key characteristics and make up of local wards.

All data used in this profile has been drawn from the Office for National Statistics (ONS) 2021 Census unless otherwise stated.

The 2021 Census included questions around sexual orientation and gender identity, however this data is not available at Ward level to protect identities of responders. For information at borough level, please read our briefing on [sexual orientation and gender identity](#).

To compare this ward profile to others, or to look at profiles developed from the 2011 Census please visit the [Hackney Ward Profiles](#) page of the Hackney Council website.

## Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic

The 2021 Census in England and Wales took place on 21st March 2021 when the UK was in lockdown.

The ONS has recognised that the coronavirus pandemic may have affected Census 2021 data in a variety of ways, but has said that for most of the population, the coronavirus pandemic would not have affected where they considered themselves resident. They do however accept that for some students and in some urban areas, there is evidence that the coronavirus pandemic did result in changes to where people lived and that these changes might have been temporary for some and permanent for others.

A significant amount of work was done to encourage as many Hackney residents as possible to complete the census with the ONS reporting 90% percent of forms returned.

## Age

Age	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All usual residents	<b>100% (12,684)</b>	100% (259,148)	100%	100%
Aged 4 years and under	<b>4.6% (580)</b>	6.2% (16,135)	6%	5.4%
Aged 5 to 9 years	<b>4.8% (613)</b>	5.8% (15,159)	6%	5.9%
Aged 10 to 15 years	<b>5.8% (735)</b>	7.1% (18,384)	7.2%	7.2%
Aged 16 to 19 years	<b>3.3% (422)</b>	4.3% (11,159)	4.4%	4.6%
Aged 20 to 24 years	<b>5.9% (747)</b>	7.2% (18,592)	6.7%	6%
Aged 25 to 34 years	<b>26.9% (3,407)</b>	24.5% (63,482)	18.1%	13.6%
Aged 35 to 49 years	<b>22.6% (2,862)</b>	22.3% (57,714)	22.7%	19.4%
Aged 50 to 64 years	<b>16.1% (2,048)</b>	14.7% (38,022)	16.9%	19.4%
Aged 65 to 74 years	<b>5.7% (729)</b>	4.8% (12,473)	6.5%	9.8%
Aged 75 to 84 years	<b>3.1% (392)</b>	2.2% (5,798)	3.8%	6.1%
Aged 85 years and over	<b>1.2% (149)</b>	0.9% (2,230)	1.6%	2.4%

- The median age of Hackney is 32, this is lower than both London (35) and England (40)

- Hackney has proportionally more children aged 4 years and under than London or England, around the same proportion of children aged 5 to 15, and fewer young people aged 16 to 19. It has a particularly large cohort of 25 to 34 year olds, and fewer people aged 50 to 85 and over.
- The age pattern of London Fields Ward shows a larger proportion of adults from 25 to 85 years and over compared with the borough average and a lower proportion of children and young adults aged 4 to 24 years.

## Ethnic Group

Ethnicity	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
<b>All usual residents</b>	100% (12,683)	100% (259,147)	100%	100%
<b>Asian, Asian British or Asian Welsh</b>	<b>9.7% (1,229)</b>	<b>10.4% (26,885)</b>	<b>20.7%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>
Bangladeshi	3.2% (405)	2.5% (6,554)	3.7%	1.1%
Chinese	1.4% (180)	1.3% (3,459)	1.7%	0.8%
Indian	2.3% (292)	3.4% (8,832)	7.5%	3.3%
Pakistani	0.5% (63)	0.9% (2,461)	3.3%	2.8%
Other Asian	2.3% (289)	2.2% (5,579)	4.6%	1.7%
<b>Black, Black British, Black Welsh, Caribbean or African</b>	<b>20.4% (2,591)</b>	<b>21.1% (54,645)</b>	<b>13.5%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
African	9.4% (1,186)	11.4% (29,478)	7.9%	2.6%
Caribbean	8.1% (1,024)	6.9% (17,903)	3.9%	1.1%
Other Black	3% (381)	2.8% (7,264)	1.7%	0.5%
<b>Mixed/Multiple ethnic groups:</b>	<b>7% (886)</b>	<b>6.7% (17,487)</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>3%</b>
White and Asian	1.6% (204)	1.4% (3,691)	1.4%	0.8%
White and Black African	1% (132)	1.1% (2,735)	0.9%	0.4%
White and Black Caribbean	1.9% (236)	1.8% (4,749)	1.5%	0.9%
Other Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups	2.5% (314)	2.4% (6,312)	1.9%	0.8%
<b>White:</b>	<b>54.7% (6,933)</b>	<b>53.1% (137,709)</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>81%</b>
English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British	35.3% (4,482)	33.9% (87,927)	36.8%	73.5%
Irish	2.5% (317)	2.2% (5,582)	1.8%	0.9%
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	0% (6)	0.1% (248)	0.1%	0.1%
Roma	0.4% (52)	0.3% (865)	0.4%	0.2%
Other White	16.4% (2,076)	16.6% (43,087)	14.7%	6.3%
<b>Other ethnic group:</b>	<b>8.2% (1,044)</b>	<b>8.7% (22,421)</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
Arab	1.2% (151)	0.9% (2,342)	1.6%	0.6%

Any other ethnic group	7% (893)	7.7% (20,079)	4.7%	1.6%
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- Hackney is one of the most ethnically diverse boroughs in the country - over 40% of its people are non-White.
- Black groups make up the second largest community, accounting for 21.1% of Hackney's people, followed by the White Other group, which can include East and West Europeans, North and South Americans, White Africans and Antipodeans.
- The ethnic makeup of London Fields Ward is broadly comparable with the borough average with a slightly higher proportion of White and Mixed/Multiple ethnic groups and a higher proportion of Bangladeshi residents.

## Religion

Religion	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All usual residents	<b>100% (12,684)</b>	100% (259,145)	100%	100%
No religion	<b>43.4% (5,500)</b>	36.3% (94,113)	27.1%	36.7%
Christian	<b>30.5% (3,868)</b>	30.7% (79,499)	40.7%	46.3%
Buddhist	<b>1% (122)</b>	0.9% (2,343)	0.9%	0.5%
Hindu	<b>0.9% (117)</b>	0.8% (1,998)	5.1%	1.8%
Jewish	<b>1.2% (151)</b>	6.7% (17,426)	1.7%	0.5%
Muslim	<b>13.4% (1,699)</b>	13.3% (34,578)	15%	6.7%
Sikh	<b>0.3% (37)</b>	0.7% (1,867)	1.6%	0.9%
Other religion	<b>2.2% (280)</b>	1.9% (4,879)	1%	0.6%
Not answered	<b>7.2% (910)</b>	8.7% (22,442)	7%	6%

- 30.7% of Hackney's residents describe themselves as Christians - a significantly lower proportion than in London or England. The borough has relatively high proportions of people of the Jewish faith, Muslims and people with no religion or who declined to state one.
- In London Fields Ward there are proportionally fewer Jewish residents, and more people with no religion than in Hackney overall.

## Household Composition

Household Composition	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All households	100% (5,585)	100% (106,080)	100%	100%
<b>One-person household</b>	<b>35% (1,953)</b>	<b>32.9% (34,928)</b>	<b>29.3%</b>	<b>30.1%</b>

Aged 66 years and over	8.3% (465)	7.1% (7,489)	9.1%	12.8%
Other:	26.6% (1,488)	25.9% (27,439)	20.1%	17.3%
<b>Single family household</b>	<b>49.4% (2,759)</b>	<b>51.8% (54,971)</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>63%</b>
All aged 66 years and over	2.4% (135)	1.7% (1,785)	4.3%	9.2%
Married or civil partnership couple	17.4% (972)	19.9% (21,060)	28.5%	30.4%
Married or civil partnership couple: No children	6% (336)	5.5% (5,852)	7.5%	10.4%
Married or civil partnership couple: Dependent children	9% (500)	11.6% (12,287)	15.8%	14.4%
Married or civil partnership couple: All children non-dependent	2.4% (136)	2.8% (2,921)	5.2%	5.6%
Cohabiting couple family	13.3% (743)	12.9% (13,669)	10.2%	11.6%
Cohabiting couple family: No children	9.9% (551)	9.6% (10,182)	6.7%	6.3%
Cohabiting couple family: With dependent children	3% (169)	2.9% (3,046)	3%	4.5%
Cohabiting couple family: All children non-dependent	0.4% (23)	0.4% (441)	0.5%	0.7%
Lone parent family	14.5% (810)	15.5% (16,400)	13.3%	11.1%
Lone parent family: With dependent children	7.4% (415)	9.4% (9,944)	7.8%	6.99%
Lone parent family: All children non-dependent	7.1% (395)	6.1% (6,456)	5.4%	4.2%
Other single family household	1.8% (99)	1.9% (2,057)	1.7%	0.8%
Other single family household: Other family composition	1.8% (99)	1.9% (2,057)	1.7%	0.8%
<b>Other household types</b>	<b>15.6% (873)</b>	<b>15.3% (16,181)</b>	<b>12.7%</b>	<b>6.9%</b>
Other household type: With dependent children	2.8% (157)	3.3% (3,519)	4.7%	2.7%
Other household types: Other, including all full-time students and all aged 66 years and over	12.8% (716)	11.9% (12,662)	8%	4.2%

- Hackney has proportionately more lone parent, single person, cohabiting couples and other household type households than the averages for both London and England, and fewer single family households (both with and without children).
- Household composition in London Fields Ward is broadly in line with the borough average with proportionally more one person households.

## Housing Tenure

Housing Tenure	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All households	<b>100% (5,584)</b>	100% (106,081)	100%	100%
<b>Owned</b>	<b>25.1% (1,400)</b>	<b>24.6% (26,066)</b>	<b>45.2%</b>	<b>61.3%</b>
Owned: Owns outright	<b>9.3% (520)</b>	9.7% (10,263)	20.7%	32.5%
Owned: Owns with a mortgage or loan	<b>15.8% (880)</b>	14.9% (15,803)	24.5%	28.8%
Shared ownership	<b>3.3% (184)</b>	2.5% (2,664)	1.5%	1%
<b>Social rented</b>	<b>41.9% (2,342)</b>	<b>40.5% (42,945)</b>	<b>23.1%</b>	<b>17.1%</b>
Social rented: Rents from council or Local Authority	<b>21.6% (1,206)</b>	20.7% (21,943)	12.1%	8.3%
Social rented: Other social rented	<b>20.3% (1,136)</b>	19.8% (21,002)	11%	8.8%
<b>Private rented</b>	<b>29.4% (1,642)</b>	<b>32.2% (34,147)</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>20.5%</b>
Private rented: Private landlord or letting agency	<b>27.5% (1,535)</b>	30.1% (31,943)	27.6%	18.2%
Private rented: Other private rented	<b>1.9% (107)</b>	2.1% (2,204)	2.3%	2.2%
Lives rent free	<b>0.3% (16)</b>	0.2% (259)	0.2%	0.1%
Owns with a mortgage or loan or shared ownership	<b>19.1% (1,064)</b>	17.4% (18,467)	26%	29.8%
Private rented or lives rent free	<b>29.7% (1,658)</b>	32.4% (34,406)	30.1%	20.6%

- Over 40% of Hackney's housing is socially rented, a much higher percentage than in London or nationally. Home ownership is correspondingly lower - just under a quarter of the borough's households are owner occupiers. Nearly a third of Hackney's households rent from a private landlord.
- London Fields Ward has proportionally more owner occupiers and social renters and fewer private rented properties than the borough average.

## Highest Level of Qualification

Highest Level of Qualification	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All usual residents aged 16 years and over	<b>100% (10,757)</b>	100% (209,468)	100%	100%
No Qualification	<b>15.4% (1,654)</b>	16.7% (35,043)	16.2%	18.1%
Level 1 Qualification	<b>5.4% (578)</b>	6.1% (12,782)	7.7%	9.7%
Level 2 Qualification	<b>7.2% (776)</b>	8.3% (17,449)	10%	13.3%
Apprenticeship	<b>2.1% (224)</b>	2.4% (4,938)	3.2%	5.3%
Level 3 Qualification	<b>11% (1,182)</b>	11.5% (24,171)	13.2%	16.9%
Level 4 Qualification	<b>56.5% (6,083)</b>	52.4% (109,724)	46.7%	33.9%
Other	<b>2.4% (260)</b>	2.6% (5,361)	3.1%	2.8%

- London's qualifications profile tends to differ slightly from the national picture. It has a better educated population, with 46.7% of people having at least a first degree (Level 4 or 5). It also has below average rates of residents with Level 1 or 2 qualifications and lower rates of residents with no qualifications too.
- These trends are more pronounced in Hackney with over 50% of residents having degree level qualifications. The proportion with no qualifications in Hackney is slightly higher than the London average, but lower than the England average. Hackney has relatively few adults with mid-level qualifications.
- In London Fields Ward there are proportionately more residents with degree level qualifications and above, and fewer residents with no or Level 1 qualifications than the Hackney average.

## Economic Activity

	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
<b>All usual residents aged 16 and over</b>	<b>100% (10,756)</b>	100% (209,466)	100%	100%
<b>Economically active (excluding full-time students)</b>	<b>68.4% (7,358)</b>	<b>67.1% (140,573)</b>	<b>63.5%</b>	<b>58.6%</b>
<b>Of which:</b>				
In employment	<b>63.5% (6,832)</b>	62.4% (130,628)	59.4%	55.7%
In employment:Employee	<b>48.6% (5,232)</b>	49.5% (103,724)	47.2%	46.2%
Part-time	<b>8.8% (949)</b>	12% (25,226)	10.7%	11.9%
Full-time	<b>39.8% (4,283)</b>	37.5% (78,498)	36.5%	34.3%
Self-employed with employees	<b>2% (214)</b>	1.7% (3,502)	1.9%	1.5%

Part-time	<b>0.6% (62)</b>	0.5% (1,037)	0.5%	0.4%
Full-time	<b>1.4% (152)</b>	1.2% (2,465)	1.4%	1.2%
Self-employed without employees	<b>12.9% (1,386)</b>	11.2% (23,402)	10.3%	8%
Part-time	<b>5.7% (613)</b>	5% (10,480)	4.6%	3.5%
Full-time	<b>7.2% (773)</b>	6.2% (12,922)	5.7%	4.5%
Unemployed	<b>4.9% (526)</b>	4.7% (9,945)	4.1%	2.9%
<b>Economically active (and a full-time student)</b>	<b>2.2% (242)</b>	<b>2.5% (5,194)</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
<b>Of which:</b>				
In employment	<b>1.5% (164)</b>	1.8% (3,680)	2%	1.7%
Employee	<b>1.2% (130)</b>	1.4% (3,032)	1.6%	1.5%
Part-time	<b>0.8% (91)</b>	1.1% (2,219)	1.2%	1.2%
Full-time	<b>0.4% (39)</b>	0.4% (813)	0.4%	0.3%
Self-employed with employees	<b>0% (4)</b>	0% (45)	0%	0%
Part-time	<b>0% (3)</b>	0% (33)	0%	0%
Full-time	<b>0% (1)</b>	0% (12)	0%	0%
Self-employed without employees	<b>0.3% (30)</b>	0.3% (603)	0.3%	0.1%
Part-time	<b>0.2% (20)</b>	0.2% (479)	0.2%	0.1%
Full-time	<b>0.1% (10)</b>	0.1% (124)	0.1%	0%
Unemployed	<b>0.7% (78)</b>	0.7% (1,514)	0.7%	0.6%
<b>Economically inactive</b>	<b>29.3% (3,156)</b>	<b>30.4% (63,699)</b>	<b>33.8%</b>	<b>39.1%</b>
<b>Of which:</b>				
Retired	<b>9.3% (1,004)</b>	7.8% (16,378)	12.9%	21.5%
Student	<b>5.9% (633)</b>	7.7% (16,079)	7.2%	5.6%
Looking after home or family	<b>4.5% (479)</b>	5.3% (11,029)	6%	4.8%
Long-term sick or disabled	<b>5.5% (587)</b>	5% (10,428)	3.6%	4.1%
Other	<b>4.2% (453)</b>	4.7% (9,785)	4.1%	3.1%

- Economic activity rates in Hackney are similar to those in London and England.
- Employment rates for full-time and self-employed workers in London Fields Ward are slightly higher than for Hackney as a whole, and there are proportionately more retired people and fewer students than the borough average.

## Occupation Group

Occupation Group	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All usual residents aged 16	<b>100% (6,995)</b>	100% (134,312)	100%	100%

years and over in employment the week before the census				
Managers, directors and senior officials	<b>16.2% (1,133)</b>	13.9% (18,646)	14.6%	12.9%
Professional occupations	<b>31.1% (2,173)</b>	29.8% (40,040)	25.8%	20.3%
Associate professional and technical occupations	<b>21.9% (1,532)</b>	20.6% (27,603)	15.3%	13.3%
Administrative and secretarial occupations	<b>5.4% (379)</b>	7% (9,468)	8.5%	9.3%
Skilled trades occupations	<b>4.5% (314)</b>	4.8% (6,468)	7.5%	10.2%
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	<b>6.7% (471)</b>	7.3% (9,742)	7.7%	9.3%
Sales and customer service occupations	<b>4.6% (321)</b>	5.4% (7,191)	6.3%	7.5%
Process, plant and machine operatives	<b>2.9% (200)</b>	3.4% (4,530)	5%	6.9%
Elementary occupations	<b>6.7% (472)</b>	7.9% (10,624)	9.2%	10.5%

- London's profile is skewed towards managerial, professional and administrative occupations with smaller proportions than nationally of skilled trades people, process plant and machine operatives, and those in personal or customer service occupations.
- Hackney differs slightly from the London pattern in having higher percentages of people in professional occupations, associate professional and technical professions.
- Compared to Hackney, London Fields Ward has a higher proportion of people in managerial, professional and technical occupations.

## General Health

<b>General Health</b>	<b>London Fields</b>	<b>Hackney</b>	<b>London</b>	<b>England</b>
All Usual Residents	<b>100% (12,682)</b>	100% (259,146)	100%	100%
Very Good Health	<b>54.4% (6,905)</b>	56.7% (146,836)	53.6%	48.5%
Good Health	<b>28.4% (3,601)</b>	28.4% (73,626)	31.8%	33.7%
Fair Health	<b>10.8% (1,368)</b>	9.9% (25,710)	10.3%	12.7%
Bad Health	<b>4.6% (586)</b>	3.7% (9,467)	3.2%	4%
Very Bad Health	<b>1.8% (222)</b>	1.4% (3,507)	1%	1.2%

- The health of Hackney's residents is broadly in line with national trends. It should be noted though that the borough has a young population by national standards.

- The health of London Fields Ward's residents is broadly comparable with the overall borough picture with a slightly higher proportion of people reporting fair, bad or very bad health.

## Disability

Disability	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All usual residents	100% (12,682)	100% (259,146)	100% (8,799,728)	100% (56,490,048)
Disabled under the Equality Act	<b>16.1% (2,039)</b>	<b>14.3% (37,020)</b>	<b>13.2%</b>	<b>17.3%</b>
Disabled under the Equality Act: Day-to-day activities limited a lot	7.6% (964)	6.4% (16,622)	5.7%	7.3%
Disabled under the Equality Act: Day-to-day activities limited a little	8.5% (1,075)	7.9% (20,398)	7.5%	10%
Not disabled under the Equality Act	<b>83.9% (10,643)</b>	<b>85.7% (222,126)</b>	<b>86.8%</b>	<b>82.7%</b>
Not disabled under the Equality Act: Has long term physical or mental health condition but day-to-day activities are not limited	5.8% (736)	5.1% (13,250)	5.2%	6.8%
Not disabled under the Equality Act: No long term physical or mental health conditions	78.1% (9,907)	80.6% (208,876)	81.5%	75.9%

- Disability rates in London Fields Ward are slightly higher than the overall borough average.

## Unpaid Care

Unpaid Care	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All usual residents aged 5 and over	<b>100% ( 12,104)</b>	100% (243,011)	100% (8,270,772)	100% (53,413,098)
Provides no unpaid care	<b>92.6% (11,212)</b>	<b>93.3% (226,689)</b>	<b>92.8%</b>	<b>91.2%</b>
Provides 19 hours or less unpaid care a week	<b>3.4% (417)</b>	3.2% (7,763)	3.6%	4.3%
Provides 9 hours or less unpaid care a week	<b>2.5% (303)</b>	2.3% (5,574)	2.6%	3.1%
Provides 10 to 19 hours unpaid care a week	<b>0.9% (114)</b>	0.9% (2,189)	1%	1.2%
Provides 20 to 49 hours unpaid care a week	<b>1.8% (215)</b>	1.7% (4,152)	1.7%	1.8%
Provides 20 to 34 hours unpaid care a week	<b>0.6% (77)</b>	0.8% (1,875)	0.8%	0.8%
Provides 35 to 49 hours unpaid care a week	<b>1.1% (138)</b>	0.9% (2,277)	0.9%	1%
Provides 50 or more hours unpaid care a week	<b>2.1% (260)</b>	1.8% (4,407)	2%	2.6%

- Levels of Unpaid Care in London Fields Ward are comparable to the overall borough average.

## Household Deprivation

Household Deprivation	London Fields	Hackney	London	England
All households	<b>100% (5,584)</b>	100% (106,081)	100%	100%
Household not deprived	<b>47.2% (2,637)</b>	45% (47,686)	48.1%	48.4%
Household deprived in 1 dimension	<b>29.7% (1,660)</b>	32.5% (34,486)	32.9%	33.5%
Household deprived in 2 dimensions	<b>16.4% (914)</b>	16% (16,971)	14.4%	14.2%
Household deprived in 3 dimensions	<b>6.2% (346)</b>	6% (6,333)	4.3%	3.7%
Household deprived in 4 dimensions	<b>0.5% (27)</b>	0.6% (605)	0.4%	0.2%

- The Index of Multiple Deprivation gauges the level of deprivation in a locality across several 'domains', including employment, income, health, education and crime.
- Household deprivation in London Fields Ward is broadly comparable to the borough average but with a higher proportion of households that are not deprived and a lower proportion deprived in 1 dimension.

## Further Resources and Information

More ward-level statistics can be found at the ONS [NOMIS](#) website and the Greater London Authority (GLA) [Datastore](#).

The ONS is also producing a range of online tools to help share information from Census 2021 including:

- [Census Maps](#) - which allows the user to access local census information down to Middle Layer Super Output Areas across England and Wales.
- [Build a Custom Area Profile](#) - which allows the user to build a custom area down to Ward level and produce a basic area profile from a range of 34 topics.

Further research, statistics and intelligence about Hackney can also be found on Hackney Council's website via the [Shared Evidence Base](#) and [Population Pages](#) where there are links to Council briefings on key Census data at Local Authority level.