Handsworth Wood Ward Factsheet



Handsworth Wood Ward is an inner city ward located to the north west of the city centre. It has a population of 20,403 making it the 26th most populous ward in the city.

The ward has a similar age profile to the city as a whole and has a higher BAME population share.

Handsworth Wood is mid ranking amongst the 69 wards in the city in relation to deprivation and average income. Resident employment rates in the ward are above the city average and claimant count unemployment proportions are below the Birmingham average.



Population

20,403

Ward Rank

Population 26



Employment Rate

61.7%

Employment Rate

31

NVQ4+ Qualifications

34.4%

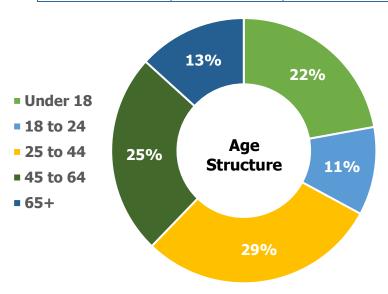
No Qualifications **44** Rate

Index of Deprivation **54**

Demography

Table 1: Ward Age Structure

Age	Ward N°	% of Ward Population	Birmingham %	England %
All Residents	20,403		-	-
16-64	13,771	67.5%	64.6%	63.0%
Under 18	4,516	22.1%	25.1%	20.8%
18-24	2,196	10.8%	11.5%	8.3%
25-44	5,980	29.3%	28.1%	26.6%
45-64	5,003	24.5%	22.1%	25.8%
65+	2,708	13.3%	13.1%	18.4%



Under 18s
22.1%
(25.1% B'ham)
Over 65s
13.3%
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Table 2: Ward Ethnicity

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Ethnic Group	Ward N°	% of Ward Population	Birmingham %	England %
All Residents	20,403		-	-
BAME Total	16,683	81.7%	51.4%	19.0%
Bangladeshi	1,048	5.1%	4.2%	1.1%
Chinese	89	0.4%	1.1%	0.8%
Indian	6,566	32.2%	5.8%	3.3%
Pakistani	2,532	12.4%	17.0%	2.8%
Black African	1,060	5.2%	5.8%	2.6%
Black Caribbean	1,859	9.1%	3.9%	1.1%
Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups	763	3.7%	4.8%	3.0%
Other Ethnic Group	1,550	7.6%	4.5%	2.2%
White	3,725	18.3%	48.6%	81.0%

Labour Market

Table 3: Ward Working Age Economic Activity

Economic Activity	Ward N°	% 16-64	Birmingham %	England %
16-64 Population	13,771	-	-	_
Economically Active Total	9,397	68.2%	64.9%	71.0%
Employed	8,503	61.7%	57.9%	71.0%
Unemployed	894	6.5%	7.0%	0.0%
Economically inactive Total	4,374	31.8%	35.1%	24.6%

Claimant Count Unemployment

Ward level claimant count and youth claimant count unemployment data is released monthly. The latest data can be found in our monthly Unemployment Update available on our website on the following link: <u>Link to Monthly Unemployment Update</u>

Table 4: Ward Occupational Breakdown

Occupation	Ward Nº	% of Employed Residents	Birmingham %	England %
All Employed 16+	8,840	-	-	-
Managers, directors and senior officials	833	9.4%	9.3%	12.9%
Professional occupations	2,019	22.8%	21.1%	20.3%
Associate professional and technical occupations	1,029	11.6%	11.3%	13.3%
Higher Skilled Occupations	3,881	43.9%	41.7%	46.4%
Administrative and secretarial occupations	904	10.2%	9.3%	9.3%
Skilled trades occupations	578	6.5%	8.3%	10.2%
Intermediate Occupations	1,482	16.8%	17.6%	19.4%
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	809	9.2%	10.3%	9.3%
Sales and customer service occupations	699	7.9%	8.2%	7.5%
Process plant and machine operatives	818	9.3%	8.7%	6.9%
Elementary occupations	1,151	13.0%	13.4%	10.5%
Lower Skilled Occupations	3,477	39.3%	40.7%	34.1%



Higher Skilled 43.9%



Intermediate Skills 16.8%



Lower Skilled 39.3%

Table 5: Ward NVQ Qualification Levels

NVQ Level	Ward Nº	% of 16+ Population	Birmingham %	England %
No Qualifications	3,672	22.3%	23.9%	18.1%
Level 1	1,585	9.6%	10.1%	9.7%
Level 2	1,815	11.0%	12.5%	13.3%
Apprenticeship	506	3.1%	3.6%	5.3%
Level 3	2,670	16.2%	17.1%	16.9%
Level 4 qualifications	5,665	34.4%	29.9%	33.9%
Other Qualifications	561	3.4%	2.9%	2.8%

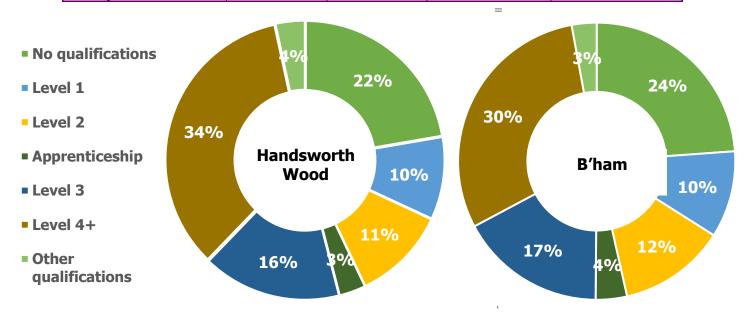


Table 6: Ward Disability & Long Term Health Conditions Working Age

Level	Ward N°	%	Birmingham %	England %
Disabled	1,549	11.7%	16.1%	15.0%
Long Term Health Condition -not Disabled	573	4.3%	5.8%	7.5%
Total Disabled & Long Term Health Condition	2,122	16.0%	21.8%	22.6%
Not Disabled & No Long Term Health Conditions	11,139	84.0%	78.2%	77.4%

Table 7: Ward Language Barriers Aged 16+

Proficiency in English	Ward Nº	% 16 +	Birmingham %	England %
Main language is English	12,197	74.0%	82.7%	90.1%
Main language is not English Total	4,277	26.0%	17.3%	9.9%
Main language is not English- Can speak English very well or well	2,976	18.1%	11.9%	7.9%
Main language is not English- Cannot speak English or speak English well	1,301	7.9%	5.4%	2.1%

Deprivation

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Ward	2019 Ward Rank	2015 Ward Rank	Change in Rank 2015 to 2019	2019 Decile (where 1 is 10% Most Deprived Nationally)		
Sparkbrook & Balsall Heath East	1	2	1	1		
Bordesley Green	2	4	2	1		
Lozells	3	3	-	1		
Castle Vale	4	18	14	1		
Alum Rock	5	5	-	1		
Newtown	6	1	-5	1		
Heartlands	7	9	2	1		
Gravelly Hill	8	10	2	1		
Balsall Heath West	9	6	-3	1		
Birchfield	10	7	-3	1		
Shard End	11	12	1	1		
Kingstanding	12	16	4	1		
Garretts Green	13	14	1	1		
Aston	14	11	-3	1		
Glebe Farm & Tile Cross	15	17	2	1		
Handsworth	16	20	4	1		
Kings Norton South	17	13	-4	1		
Ward End	18	21	3	1		
Bordesley & Highgate	19	15	-4	1		
Tyseley & Hay Mills	20	22	2	1		
Small Heath	21	19	-2	1		
Frankley Great Park	22	24	2	1		
Holyhead	23	23	-	1		
Nechells	24	8	-16	1		
Druids Heath & Monyhull	25	27	2	1		
Stockland Green	26	28	2	1		
Yardley West & Stechford	27	26	-1	1		
Perry Common	28	29	1	2		
Soho & Jewellery Quarter	29	25	-4	2		
Sparkhill	30	30	-	2		
Bartley Green	31	31	-	2		
Allens Cross	32	35	3	2		
Bromford & Hodge Hill	33	33	-	2		
Billesley	34	37	3	2		
Weoley & Selly Oak	35	41	6	2		
Acocks Green	36	34	-2	2		
Rubery & Rednal	37	40	3	2		
Erdington	38	36	-2	3		

Pype Hayes	39	39	-	2
Longbridge & West Heath	40	42	2	2
North Edgbaston	41	38	-3	2
Ladywood	42	32	-10	2
Moseley	43	44	1	2
Kings Norton North	44	46	2	2
Sheldon	45	52	7	3
Stirchley	46	50	4	3
Highter's Heath	47	47	-	3
South Yardley	48	45	-3	3
Yardley East	49	43	-6	3
Hall Green North	50	49	-1	3
Quinton	51	51	-	3
Oscott	52	53	1	3
Brandwood & King's Heath	53	54	1	3
Handsworth Wood	54	48	-6	3
Harborne	55	55	-	3
Perry Barr	56	58	2	4
Bournville & Cotteridge	57	56	-1	4
Sutton Reddicap	58	60	2	4
Northfield	59	57	-2	4
Bournbrook & Selly Park	60	61	1	5
Edgbaston	61	59	-2	5
Hall Green South	62	62	-	6
Sutton Trinity	63	63	-	6
Sutton Walmley & Minworth	64	64	-	7
Sutton Vesey	65	65	-	7
Sutton Mere Green	66	66	-	7
Sutton Wylde Green	67	68	1	7
Sutton Four Oaks	68	67	-1	8
Sutton Roughley	69	69	-	9
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Child Poverty

Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) data on the number and proportion of children living in low income families provide an indication of the number of children living in poverty in each ward of the city. Low income families are defined as those whose household income is less than 60% of average household income. Only families who have claimed Child Benefit and at least one other household benefit are included in the statistics.

In 2021/22 there were 1,733 children living in low income households in Handsworth Wood, 38.4% of all children in the ward, meaning the ward is ranked 31st in the city in terms of the levels of child poverty.



Children in Poverty Ward Rank

31

1,733 38.3%

Economic Output

New experimental data from the ONS provides Gross Value Added (GVA) a measure of economic output at LSOA level. Ward economic output has been calculated using an LSOA best fit approach. Total economic output in Handsworth Wood stood at £112m in 2020 (latest data available) and GVA per head was £5,504. Handsworth Wood has the 50^{th} largest ward economy in the city in terms of GVA.





GVA Per Head £5,504

