



WARD PROFILE

EWELL COURT



Ewell Court House

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Notes and Definitions

Ward profiles have been compiled using information from the 2001 Census of Population and other sources for example, Local Knowledge website, Housing Needs Survey 2004 and the Crime Audit 2004.

A household comprises one person living alone, or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address with common housekeeping – that is, sharing either a living room or a sitting room or at least one meal a day.

All people who were working in the week before the Census or were looking for work and were available to start work within 2 weeks are described as economically active. Full time students who are economically active are included but are identified separately in the classification. The economic activity questions are only asked of people aged 16 to 74. The proportion given is the percentage of the population aged 16-74.

The National Statistics Socio-economic Classification (NS-SEC) provides an indication of socio-economic position based on occupation. It is an Office for National Statistics standard classification. Not classifiable for other reasons includes people who have not been coded and those who cannot be allocated to an NS-SEC category.

A dependent child is a person aged 0 to 15 in a household (whether or not in a family) or aged 16 to 18 in full-time education and living in a family with his or her parent(s).

An overcrowded household has an occupancy rating of –1 or less. The Occupancy rating provides a measure of under occupancy and over crowding. It relates the actual number of rooms to the number of rooms 'required' by the members of the household (based on a relationship between them and their ages). A rating of –1 means that the household has one too few rooms.

Households lacking amenities are those without central heating and/or without sole use of bath/shower and toilet.

The DETR Index of Multiple Deprivation 2004 calculates values for the relative level of need, derived from 6 main indices. Higher values indicate greater need. The UK average is 21.67. The 7 domain indices are: income, employment, health deprivation and disability, education skills and training, barriers to housing and services, living environment and crime.

NB. Figures may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

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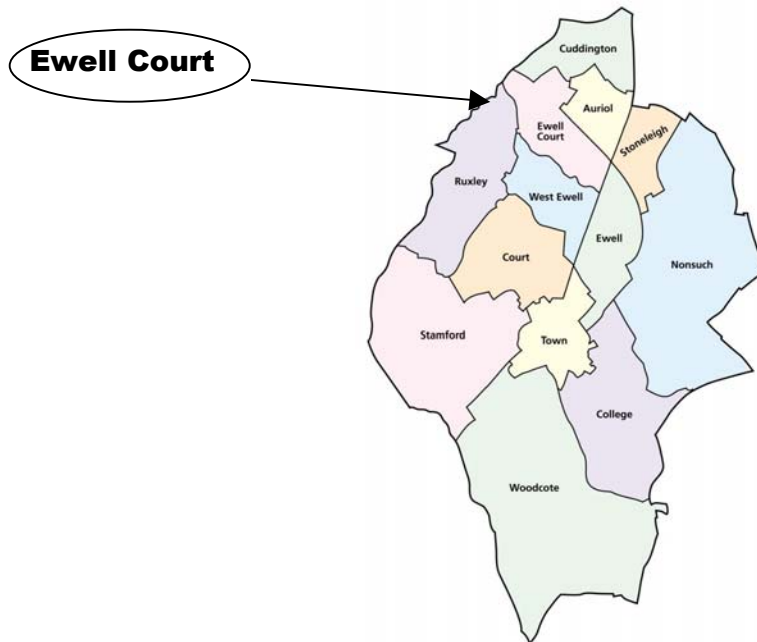
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Summary for Ewell Court Ward

Location of ward in the Borough	North west
Population	5127
Population density	35.1 people per hectare
Size of Ward in Hectares	146
Age profile	Greatest age group proportion 45-64 (29.5%)
Ethnicity	7.9% ethnic minorities
DLA claimants	23.52 people per 1000 16+ population
Long-term Limiting Illness	11.5% of population
No of households	2119
Average number of people per household	2.4
Tenure	92% owner occupier
Accommodation type	58.5% semi-detached
Economically active	68.4%
Occupation	19.6% administrative and secretarial occupations
Industry	18.6% wholesale and retail trade: repair of motor vehicles
Share of district employment	7.54%
Level of degree+ qualification	17.41
Social deprivation DETR Index	5.8
Car availability	1.46 cars per household
Proportion of 2+ car households	45.63%
Travel to work	60.5% car or van
Proportion of Crime	5% of all crime committed in the Borough

1. Introduction

Ewell Court Ward is situated in the northern part of the Borough. Bordering Kingston-upon-Thames to the west, the Hogsmill river signifies the southern border with Ruxley and West Ewell wards. Ewell Court also shares borders with Cuddington, Auriol and Ewell wards.



From medieval times, the area where Ewell Court now lies was part of East Heath Common, one of three commons in Ewell. There was also farming in the area. In the 18th Century, the river became more important to the local economy. The area along the river, close to where Ewell Court House stands today, was notable for its gunpowder mills. Milling, with power supplied by the river, was an important local industry and the 1871 Census noted that the mills employed 156 workers. Gunpowder making is a dangerous business - an explosion in 1812 was heard as far away as Horsham, and another in 1863 claimed the lives of three men. The mills closed down in 1875, probably as the Explosives Act of the same year would have made running them uneconomically viable.

As well as serving an important economic function, the Hogsmill River was (and still remains) an area of beauty. The pre-Raphaelite artists Holman Hunt and John Everett Millais stayed in the area in the mid nineteenth century and used the river as inspiration for their paintings. Millais' famous *Ophelia* was probably painted along the willow-lined banks near Ruxley Lane. After the closure of the gunpowder mills, the area was landscaped in the 1950's and is now 'The Hogsmill Open Space', maintained by the Council.

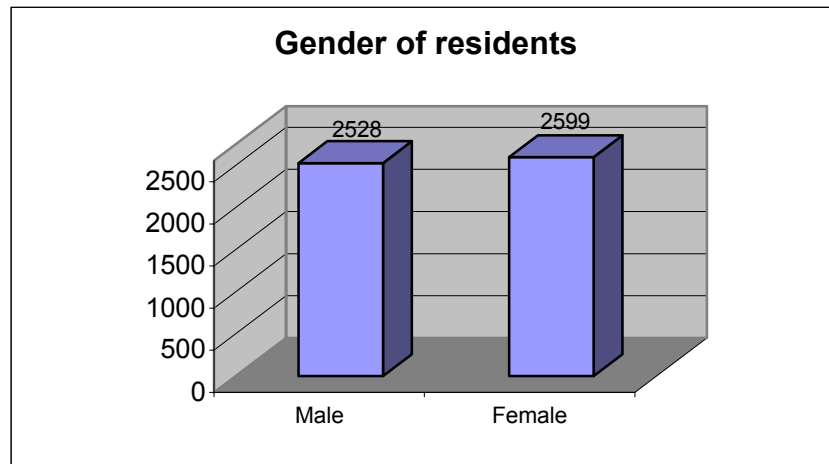
Ewell Court House, one of the Council's venues, lies close to the river in the ward. The house was built in 1879 on the site of Avenue House, which was previously occupied by mill owners and managers. It now houses a library, meeting rooms and other community amenities.

The residential areas in the ward were developed in the 1930's, at the same time as the residential estates in Auriol and Stoneleigh wards.

Since the Census, Ewell Court ward has been affected by boundary changes. A portion of Auriol (including Chestnut Avenue, the part of Salisbury Road below the junction with Cromwell Road and Timbercroft) is now part of Ewell Court. These changes **are** taken into account in the census information.

2. Population

Ewell Court has a population of 5,127 people, an increase of 19% from 1991. This increase in population can be directly attributed to the area gained from Auriol ward, where the population decreased by 19%. Females slightly out-number males (a trend seen both Borough and country wide), with 2,599 females compared to 2,528 males.

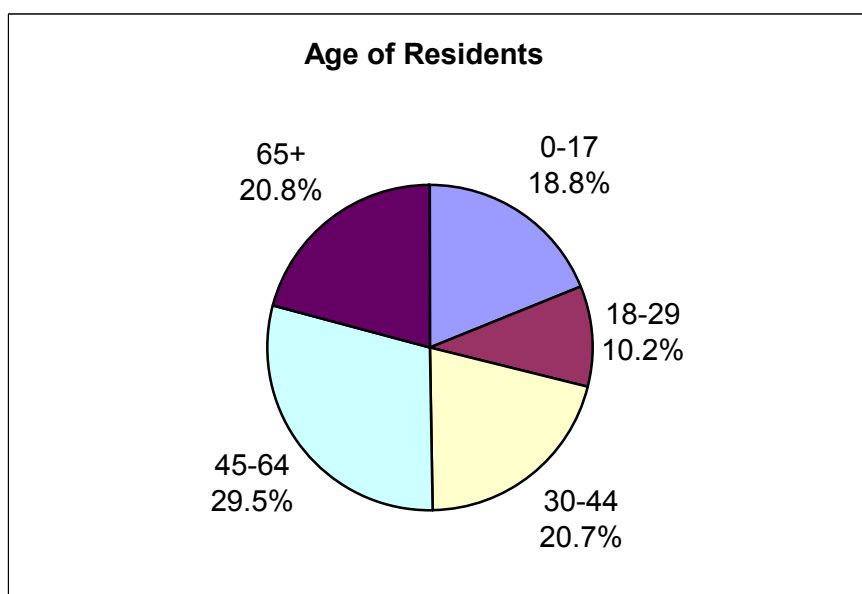


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2.1 Population Density

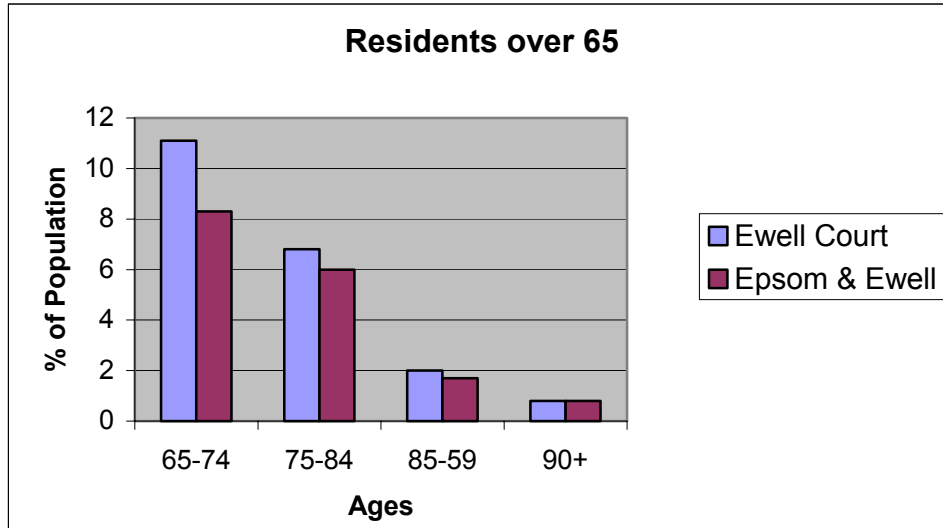
Ewell Court covers an area of 146 hectares and has a population density of 35.1 people per hectare. This makes it one of the most densely populated wards in the Borough

2.2 Age profile

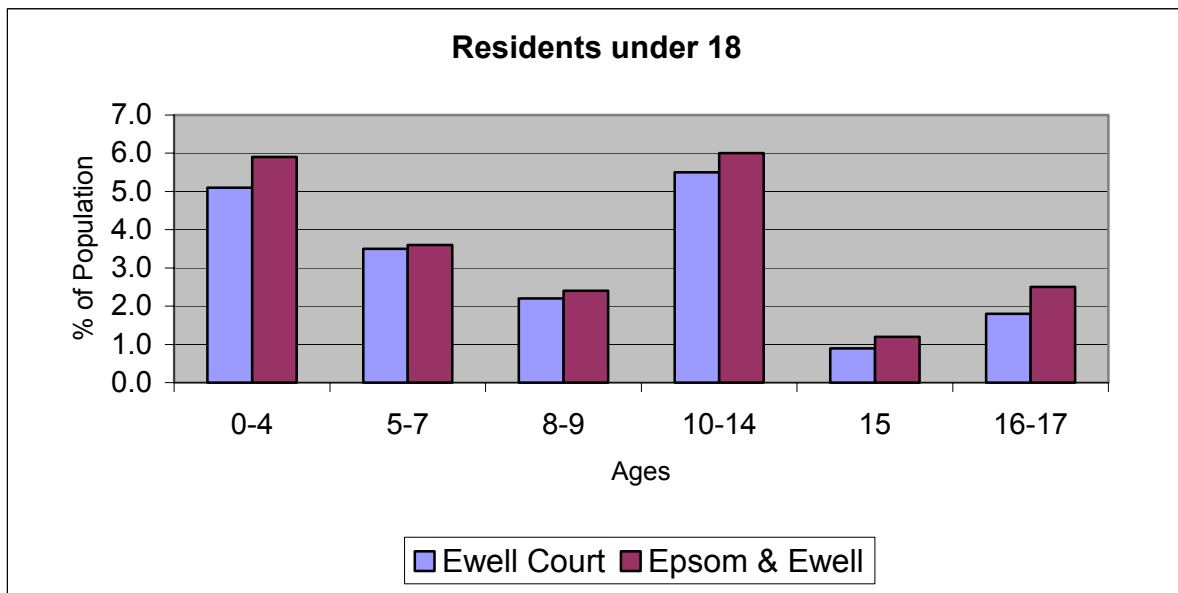


The population of Ewell Court is older compared to the average in the Borough of Epsom & Ewell. Those over 45 years make up 50% of the population, compared to 43% in the whole Borough.

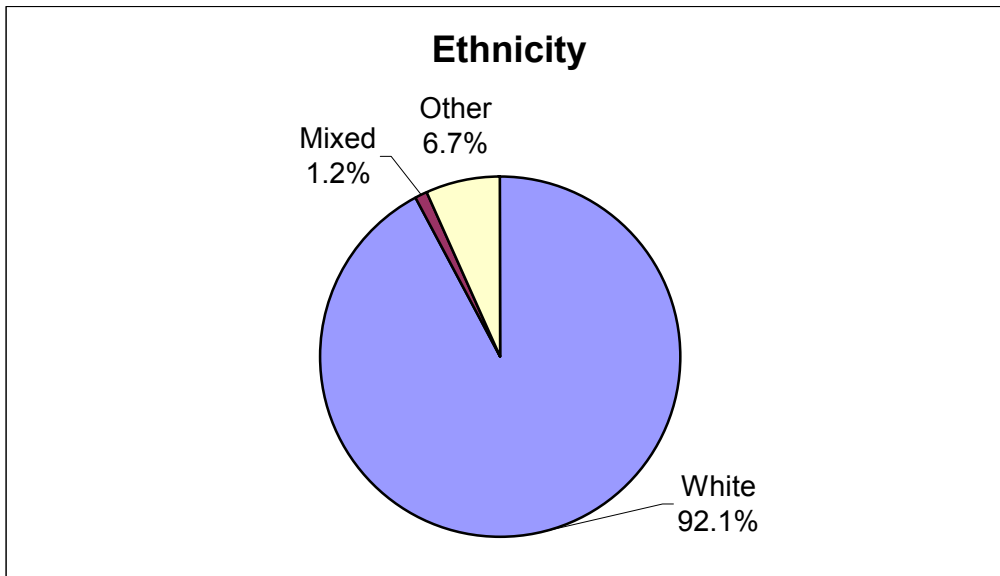
21% of the residents in Ewell Court are over the age of 65, about 4% more than the Borough's average. There are a particularly high proportion of residents aged between 65 and 74 years.



Ewell Court has a slightly smaller proportion of children to the rest of the Borough. 5.1% of the population is made up of pre-school children, with 12.1% under the age of 16.

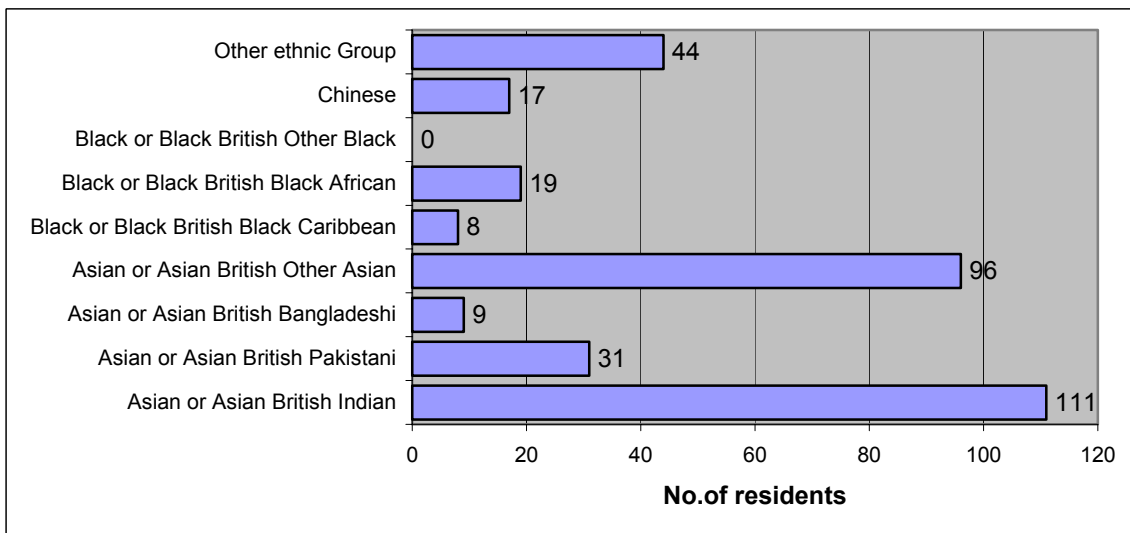


2.3 Ethnicity



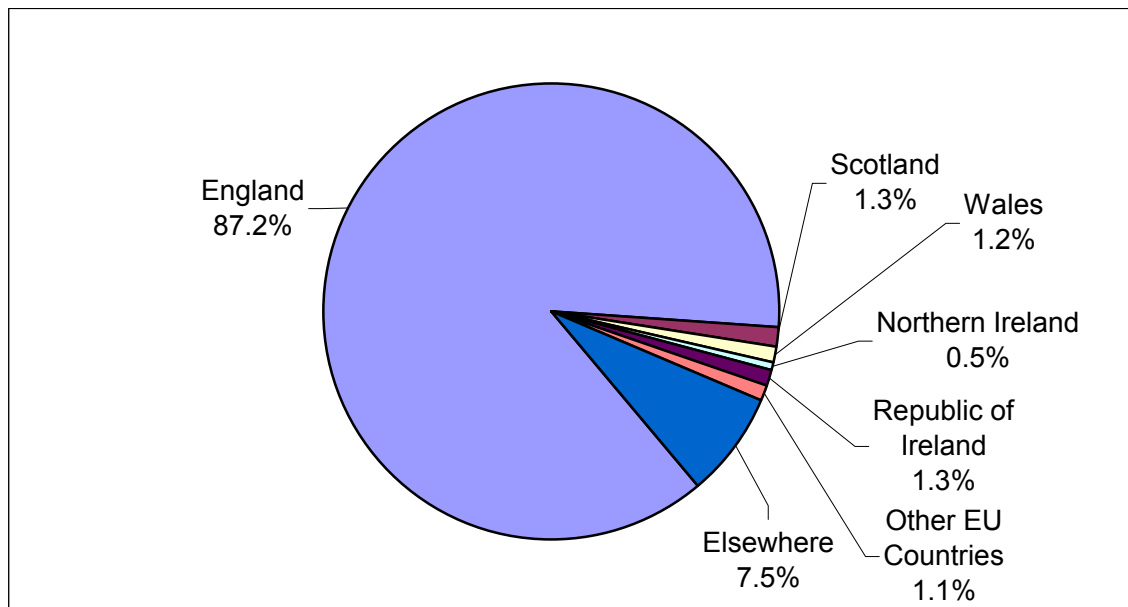
7.9% of the population of the ward do not class themselves as white, which includes 1.2% who are of a mixed race background. This compares with 8.7% (including 1.8% mixed race) in the whole Borough.

The table below shows the breakdown of residents by ethnic origin in terms of absolute numbers.



The largest ethnic minority is Asian or Asian British Indian, which makes up 2.2% of the total population. 1.9% are of an 'Other' ethnic group.

2.4 Country of Origin



The majority of residents were born in England. 7.5% were born outside of the European Union.

2.5 Religion

Religion	Ewell Court	Epsom & Ewell
Christian	75.7%	73%
Buddhist	0.6%	0.5%
Hindu	2.9%	1.8%
Jewish	0.3%	0.4%
Muslim	1.6%	1.9%
Sikh	0.2%	0.1%
Other religions	0.2%	0.3%
No religion	12.5%	14.8%
Religion not stated	6.1%	7.2%

There are a higher percentage of Christians and fewer people with no religion in Ewell Court ward than Epsom & Ewell as a whole. Ewell Court ward has the highest proportion of Hindus in the Borough.

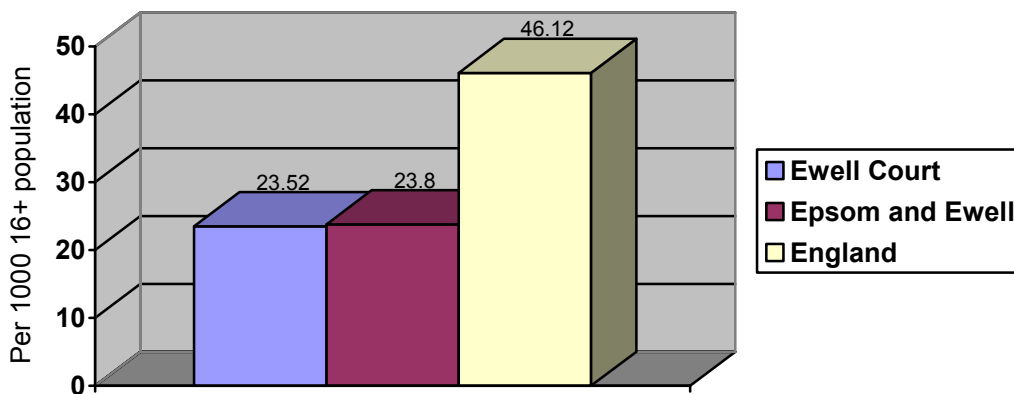
2.6 Health and Provision of Care

15.8% of Ewell Court residents have a limiting long-term illness. This compares with 14.3% in the whole Borough. There are fewer people judging their health as good in Ewell Court compared to the Borough (70.6% compared to 73.8%), but the proportion in good health here is more than in England as a whole (68.8%).

	Ewell Court	Epsom & Ewell
All people who provide unpaid care	12.3%	9.8%
All people who provide unpaid care: 1-19 hours a week	9.0%	7.6%
All people who provide unpaid care: 20-49 hours a week	1.0%	0.9%
All people who provide unpaid care: 50+ hours a week	2.3%	1.4%

Ewell Court has the highest proportion of people in the Borough providing unpaid care. 12.3% of residents (631 individuals) provide unpaid care, with a particularly high number, 118 individuals (2.3%), providing it for over 50 hours a week.

2.7 Disability Living Allowance Claimants



There are 23.52 people per 1000 over the age of 16 in receipt of Disability Living Allowance, the average for the Borough is 23.8 and the national average is 46.12.

Source: Local Knowledge Website, December 2004

3. Household Information

3.1 Number of Households

There are 2,119 households in Ewell Court, with an average of 2.4 people per household (just below the Borough average of 2.5).

3.2 Household Composition

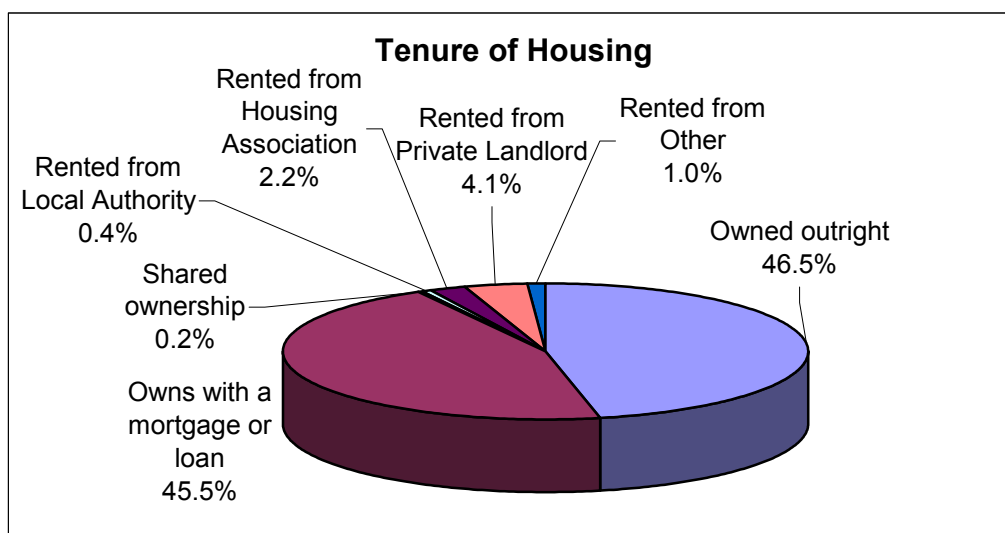
Households Comprising	Ewell Court	Epsom & Ewell
One person: Pensioner	15.4%	14.9%
One person: Other	7.3%	12.0%
Households with pensioners only	30.6%	25.5%
Lone parents with dependent children	2.5%	4.6%
Households with dependent children	26.2%	29.6%

The above table does not add up to 100% as it contains only the information thought to be significant.

Compared to the rest of the Borough, there are fewer one-person households (22.7% compared to 26.9%). However, there are a higher proportion of households with pensioners only, the second highest ward in Epsom & Ewell.

There are also fewer households with children than the Borough's average and a lower proportion of these are lone parents.

3.3 Housing Tenure



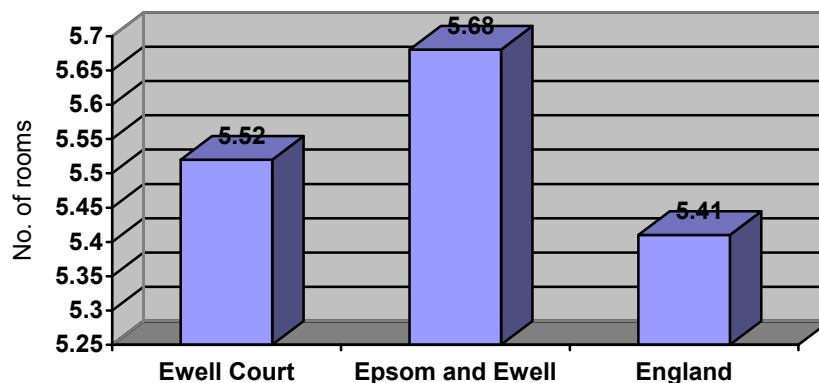
92% of properties in Ewell Court ward are occupied by their owner, with a particularly high proportion owned outright (46.5%, the Borough average is 37.1%). There are relatively few rented properties (only 7.7%), compared with the rest of the Borough (17.2%).

3.4 Accommodation Type

Accommodation Type	Ewell Court
Detached	31.5%
Semi-detached	58.5%
Terraced	4.0%
Purpose built flats or tenement	4.1%
Part of converted house (including bed-sits)	0.7%
In commercial building	2.9%
Caravan or other mobile or temporary structure	0.1%

Most housing in Ewell Court ward is detached or semi-detached. 1.5% of properties in the ward are vacant.

3.5 Average Number of Rooms per Household



Ewell Court ward has a higher average number of rooms than the national average but is marginally lower than the Borough average.

Source: Housing Needs Survey, 2004

3.6 Communal Establishments

Communal establishments include hospitals, retirement homes, other medical and care establishments (for example nursing homes or hospices), hostels and prisons.

There are no communal establishments in Ewell Court ward.

4. Employment and Socio-Economic Groups

4.1 Economic activity

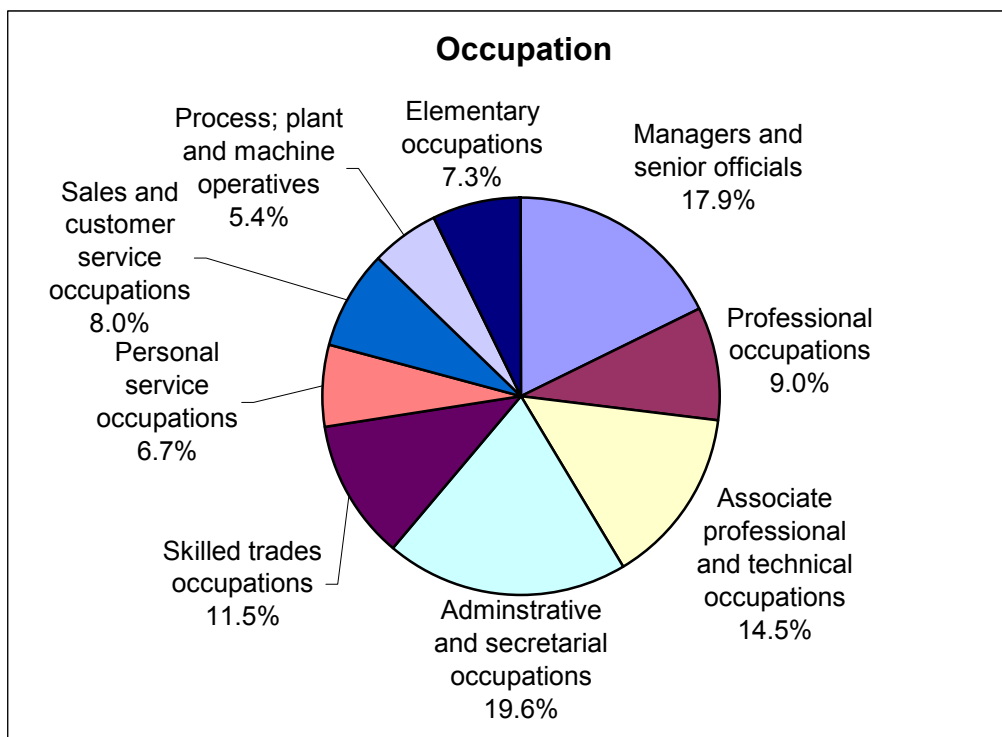
	Ewell Court	Epsom & Ewell
Economically active: Part Time	12.5%	11.7%
Economically active: Full time	76.09%	43.9%
Self Employed	18.7%	10.3%
Unemployed	1.6%	1.8%
Retired	19.0%	14.1%

The above table does not add up to 100% as it contains only the information thought to be significant.

68.4% of the ward's residents are economically active. This is lower than the Borough as a whole, where 70.5% of people are active. Ewell Court has the highest proportion of residents that are retired in Epsom & Ewell, 19%, about a third higher than the Borough average. Unemployment is slightly lower than the average.

4.2 Occupation

There are 2,503 people in employment in Ewell Court ward. The chart below shows the areas in which they work.



The highest proportions of people in Ewell Court work as Managers and Senior Officials (17.9%) and in administrative and secretarial occupations (19.6%). The number of people working in administrative and secretarial occupations is fairly high compared to Epsom & Ewell as a whole (16.3%), but there are fewer people working in professional occupations (9.0% in Ewell Court, 14.3% in Epsom & Ewell as a whole).

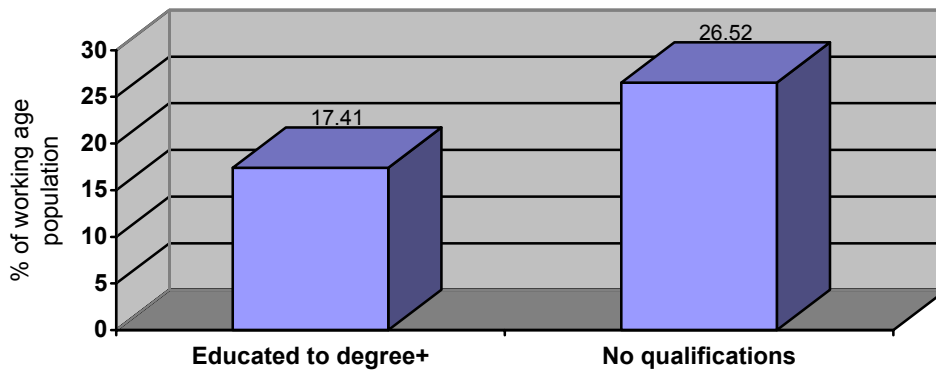
4.3 Industry

	Ewell Court	Epsom & Ewell
Agriculture, hunting, forestry	1.0%	0.7%
Mining & Quarrying	0.2%	0.4%
Manufacturing	7.2%	7.2%
Electricity, gas and water supply	0.7%	0.5%
Construction	9.0% (4)	6.6%
Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles	18.6% (1)	14.9% (2)
Hotels and catering	2.9%	3.4%
Transport, storage and communication	8.7% (5)	7.1%
Financial intermediation	6.5%	8.1% (4)
Real estate; renting and business activities	16.9% (2)	18.9% (1)
Public administration and defence	6.2%	6.7%
Education	6.5%	7.9% (5)
Health and Social Work	9.3% (3)	11.5% (3)
Other	6.2%	6.3%

Numbers in brackets denote top 5 areas of work.

The highest proportion of people living in Ewell Court work in wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles. More people work in this sector in Ewell Court than other wards in the Borough. 5 individuals work in mining and quarrying.

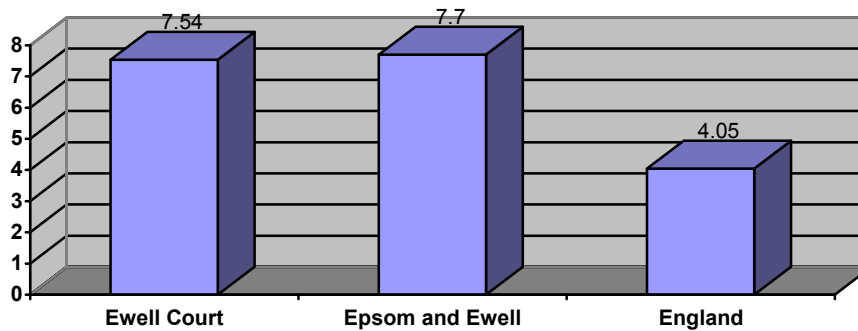
4.4 Qualifications



There are more people of working age in Ewell Court without qualifications compared with those with degree+ levels. Ewell court is ranked 12th for educated to degree+ levels, and ranks 3rd for no qualifications in the Borough.

Source: Local Knowledge Website, December 2004

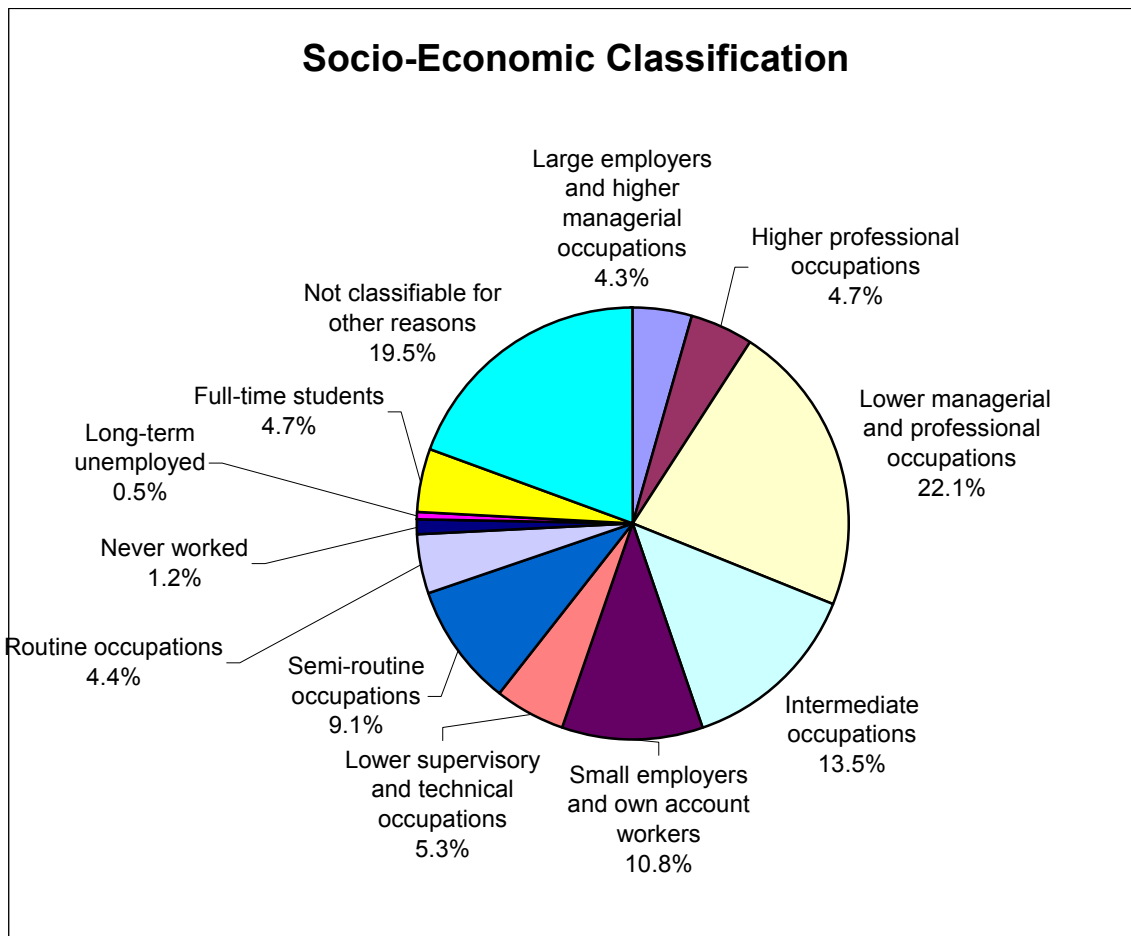
4.5 Share of district employment



Ewell Court has a higher share of district employment than the average for England and only marginally less than the average for the Borough,

Source: Local Knowledge Website, December 2004

4.6 Socio-Economic Classification



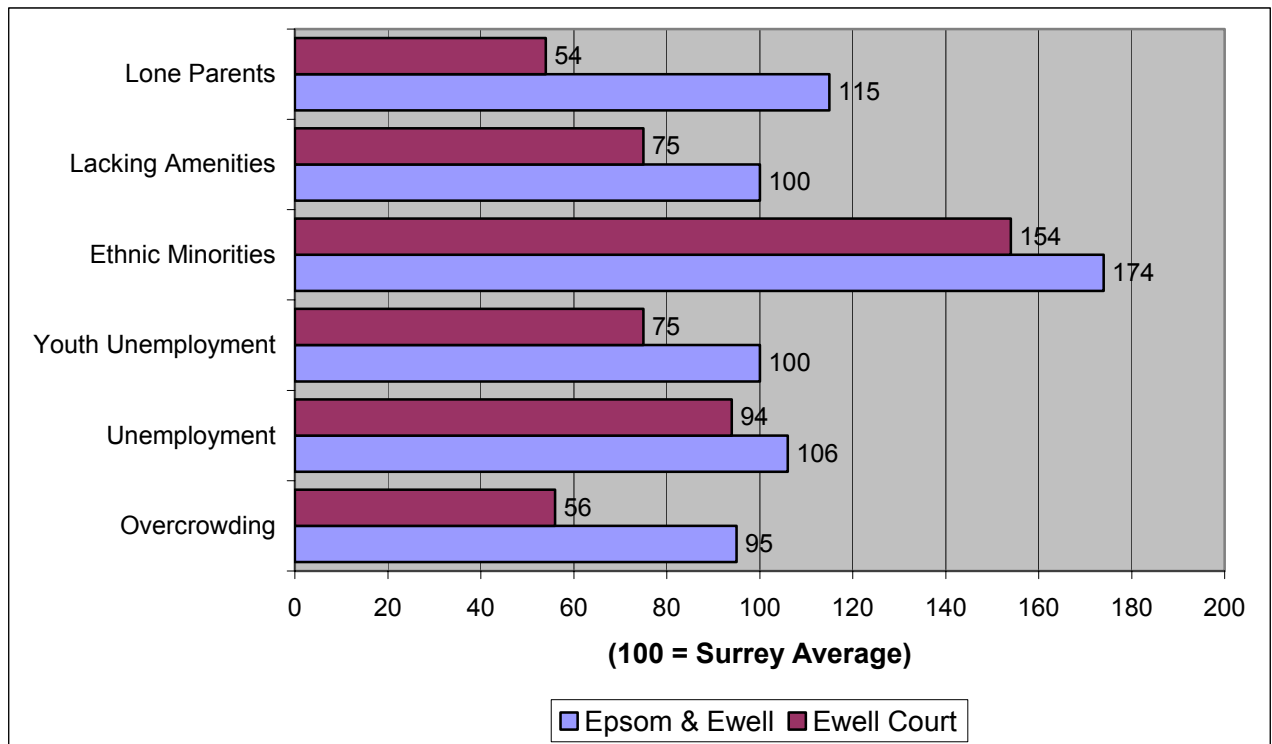
The table above shows the National Statistics Socio-Economic Classification for the 3,756 people aged 16-74 living in Ewell Court.

Ewell Court has a smaller proportion of people in higher managerial and professional occupation than the Borough average, but has the highest number of small employers and own account workers.

Ewell Court has slightly above the Borough average for long term unemployed, but a lower proportion of those who have never worked.

5. Social Deprivation

The table below shows indicators for social deprivation for both Ewell Court and Epsom & Ewell as a whole, as compared to the Surrey average.



Ewell Court does not have a high level of social deprivation compared to the whole of Surrey. It also compares favourably to the Borough as a whole, having slightly lower unemployment and fewer homes lacking amenities or with overcrowding.

Ewell Court's score on the DETR index of deprivation is 5.80, lower than the Borough average of 6.83. Using this index, Ewell Court is the eighth least deprived ward in the Borough, and is the top half of all wards in Surrey (158/207) i.e. there are 49 wards that are less deprived.

Ewell Court has been split up into three Super Output Areas.

Super Output Area	Rank in Borough (out of 44, 1=most deprived)
Ewell Court 1	10
Ewell Court 2	27
Ewell Court 3	24

Ewell Court 2 is considerably more deprived than Ewell Court 1.

5.1 Definition of Super Output Areas by Road

Ewell Court 1

Bannow Close, Chestnut Avenue, Curtis Road, Fairway Close, Francis Close, Kingston Road, Percival Way, Plantagenet Close, Riverview Road, Ruxley Lane, Salisbury Road, Sterry Drive, Tealing Drive, The Grange, The Warren, Timbercroft.

Ewell Court 2

Bridle Close, Elm Way, Huntsmoor Road, Lakehurst Road, Oakland Way, Pams Way, River Way, Ruxley Lane, Willow Way.

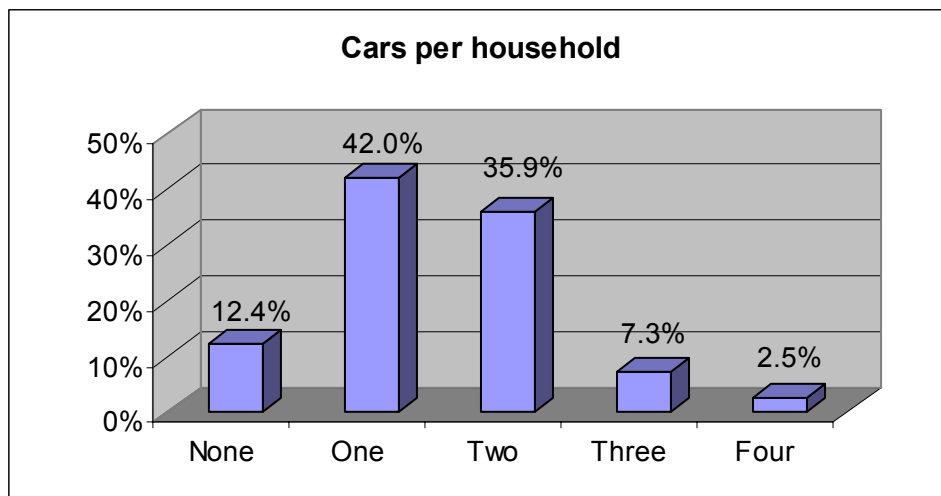
Ewell Court 3

Bradford Drive, Brook Mead, Courtlands Drive, Elmstead Close, Ewell Court Avenue, Fairfield Close, Fairfield Way, Highfield Drive, Kingston Road, Lakehurst Road, Lakeside, Manor Drive, Meadow Walk, Preston Drive, River Way, South Mead, The Drive, West Mead, Woodland Close.

Source: ODPM

6. Transport

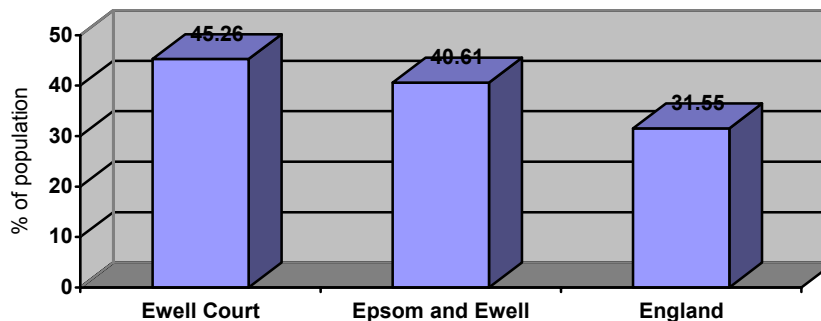
6.1 Car availability



There is an average of 1.46 cars per household in Ewell Court, slightly higher than the Borough average of 1.37. There are fewer households with no vehicle than the Borough as a whole (12.4% in Ewell Court compared to 15.3 in Epsom & Ewell).

Source: Local Knowledge Website, December 2004

6.2 Proportion of all Households with 2+ Cars

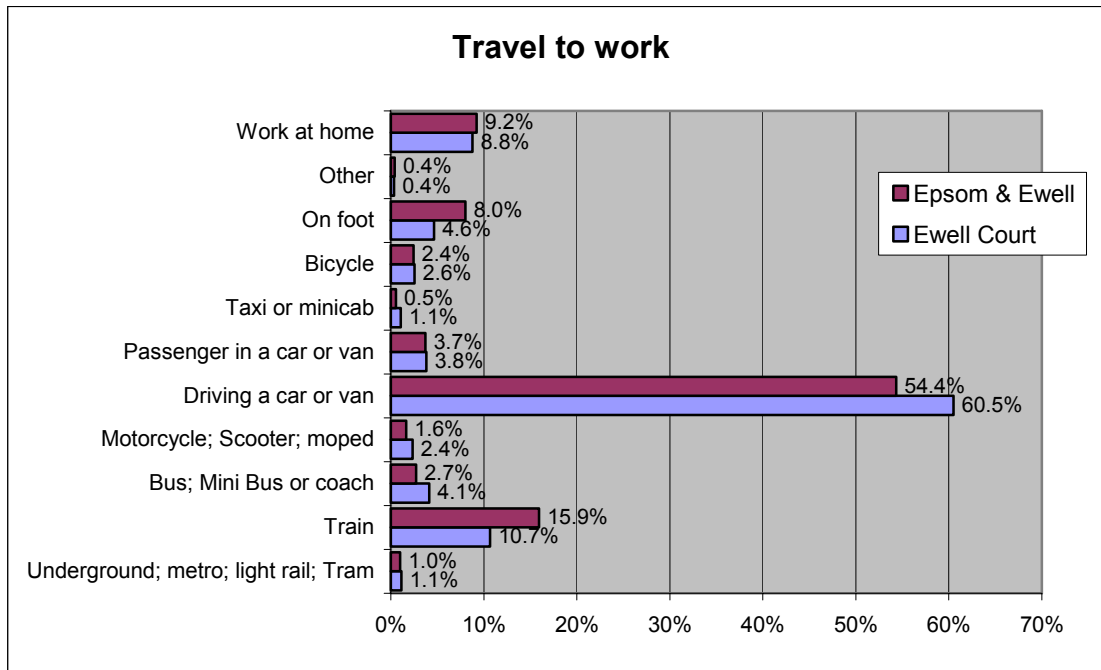


Ewell Court has a higher than Borough average number of people with 2+ cars. It is also higher than the national average.

In Ewell Court 64.3% of people travel to work by car, it is ranked second highest in the Borough. 20.82% of people in the ward use public transport, Ewell Court has a rank of 12 in the Borough. For 'Other' Ewell Court has a rank of 9.

Source: Local Knowledge Website, December 2004

6.3 Travel to Work



Driving to work is the most popular option for the residents of Ewell Court ward, with 60.5% of people using this option. This is the highest in the Borough, where the average is 54.4%. Over twice as many people travel to work by taxi in Ewell Court (1.1%) than in the Borough as a whole (0.5%).

Source: Local Knowledge Website, December 2004

7. Crime

Ewell Court suffers from 5% of all crime in the Borough. Ewell Court ward is one of the hotspots for motor vehicle crime in the Borough. This crime type is on the increase and is defined as a priority area.

Source: Crime Audit, 2004