



Key Facts

from the 2001 Census

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| Area (hectares): | 88 |
| Residents: | 10,058 |
| Households: | 5,088 |
| Children under 16: | 1,237 |
| People of working age (16-59/64): | 7,935 |
| People of pensionable age (60/65+): | 886 |



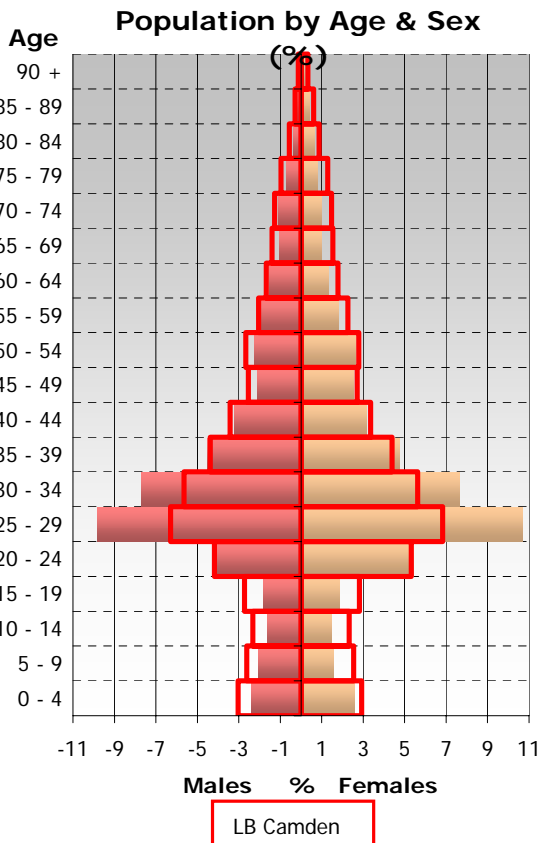
West Hampstead Ward is located in the north west of the borough. It is bounded in the east by Finchley Road and in the west by Shoot Up Hill/Kilburn High Road. Maygrove Road, Broomsleigh Street, Mill Lane, and West End Lane (to the junction with Finchley Road) frame the northern extents. In the south, the boundary runs to the north of Netherwood Street, taking in Linstead Street, Hermstal Road, Cleve Road and north to the West Hampstead Railway lands, which form the boundary to the junction with Finchley Road.

Records show that the small hamlet of **West End** had existed in this location since medieval times. The hamlet was named after its position within the manor and parish of **Hampstead**. In the first half of the 19th century, large villas were built on the farmland surrounding the hamlet. However, the arrival of the Midland Railway in 1871 brought rapid development and many of the large houses were demolished in favour of higher density buildings. The ward is well served by public transport, including West Hampstead Thameslink, Finchley Road and Frognal rail stations, and Finchley Road tube station.

The 2001 Census reveals that West Hampstead ward has the highest proportion of people living in households (99.7%), i.e. not in communal establishments. The ward has the 2nd smallest proportion of elderly aged 65+ (7%), the smallest proportion of pensioners living alone (8%) and the 2nd smallest proportion of children under 5. It also has the lowest incidence of people providing unpaid care (6%).

West Hampstead ward has the 2nd highest proportion of people of working age (80%) and the highest female economic activity rate (71%).

62% of the ward's adult population are single (never married) and it is home to the borough's 3rd highest proportion of Irish people (6%). It has the highest proportion of working residents using the train to get to work (14%).



2001 Census Profile: West Hampstead Ward

