

Eastcotts

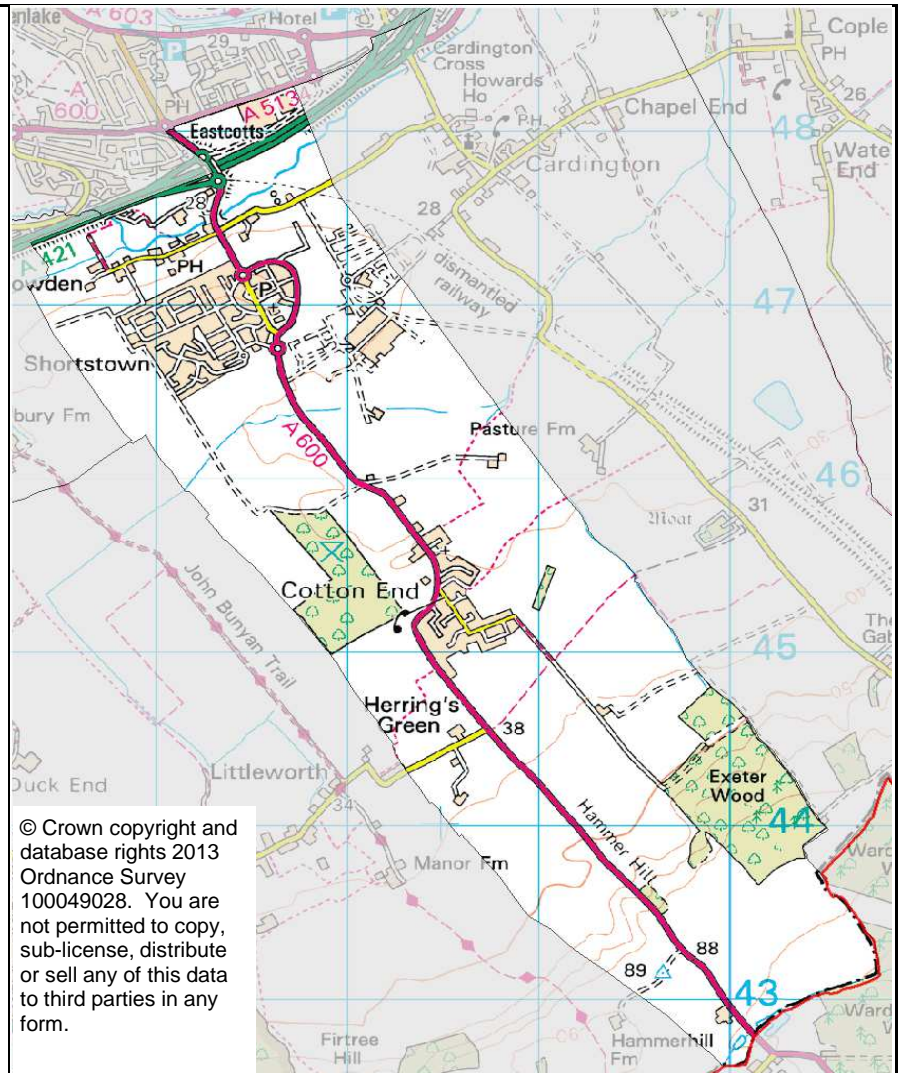
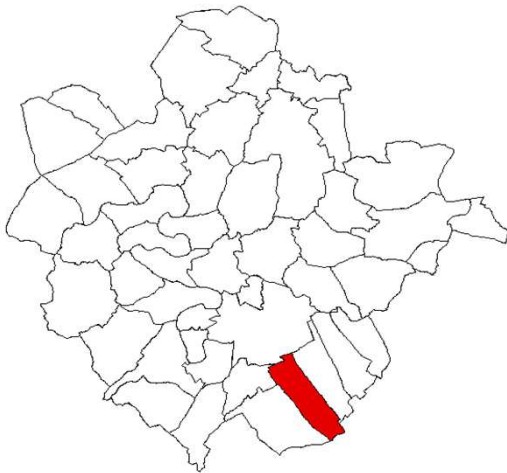
Parish Profile

2011 Census

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Population 3,239

Area (hectares) 910

Population Density (People/hectare) 3.6

Households 1,231

Dwellings 1,296

Located in the south east of Bedford Borough, Eastcotts has a very young age profile with 26% of residents aged 0-15 and just 9% aged over 65. The proportion of non-White British residents (22%) is among the highest of all parishes, and includes a significant Polish community. The population increased by 800 between 2001 and 2011, and will increase significantly in the future.

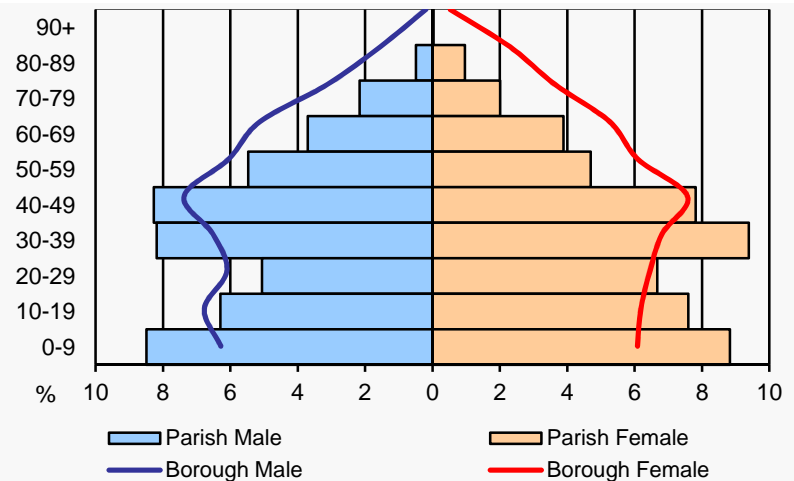
One-person households (21%) are mainly non-pensioners. Lone parents with dependent children form 11% of all households. Eastcotts has low home ownership (67%) levels for a parish, though this is still comparable to the Borough average, with 22% of households renting from social landlords and 11% renting privately. Housing is predominantly semi-detached (40%) and terraced (29%).

Employment as managers, directors and in professional occupations (24%) is among the lowest of all parishes, but 13% work in skilled trades. The overall level of economic activity among Eastcotts' residents is high due to the young age profile. The proportion of residents aged 16+ with degree-level qualifications (23%) is among the lowest of all parishes and also below the Borough average.

The level of households without a car (17%) is among the highest of all parishes, and the proportion with 3 or more (11%) cars is among the lowest. Most people (81%) travel to work by car, 4% commute by train, and only 5% of those in employment cycle or walk to work.

Population

Age	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
0-4	312	9.6	6.4
5-15	530	16.4	13.7
16-17	88	2.7	2.7
18-29	461	14.2	15.1
30-39	569	17.6	13.3
40-49	521	16.1	14.9
50-64	481	14.9	18.1
65-74	174	5.4	8.1
75-84	84	2.6	5.5
85+	19	0.6	2.2
Total	3,239	100	100



Ethnicity	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
White British	2,519	77.8	71.5	77.8
White Other	247	7.6	9.1	7.6
Mixed/Multiple	156	4.8	3.4	4.8
Asian/Asian British	178	5.5	11.4	5.5
Black/Black British	121	3.7	3.9	3.7
Other	18	0.6	0.7	0.6

Top 3 Countries of Birth in the Parish (excl. UK)	Parish		Top 3 Main Languages in the Parish (excl. English)	Parish	
	No.	%		No.	%
Poland	87	2.7	Polish	86	2.8
India	34	1.0	Lithuanian	25	0.8
Ireland	28	0.9	Panjabi	14	0.5

Religion or Belief	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Christian	1,851	57.1	59.3	57.1
Other Religion	177	5.5	10.5	5.5
No Religion	968	29.9	23.6	29.9
Not Stated	243	7.5	6.6	7.5

Marital & Civil Partnership Status 16+	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Single	770	32.1	31.9	32.1
Married	1,207	50.4	49.2	50.4
Civil Partnership	6	0.3	0.2	0.3
Separated/Divorced	336	14.0	12.0	14.0
Widowed	78	3.3	6.7	3.3

Housing & Households

Household Composition	Parish		Borough	Household Composition	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%		No.	%	%
1 Person: Pensioner	67	5.4	11.9	Lone Parent: With DC	130	10.6	7.6
1 Person: Other	193	15.7	16.9	Lone Parent: No DC	44	3.6	3.4
Couple: With DC	375	30.5	20.9	Couple: Both 65+	63	5.1	8.2
Couple: No DC	299	24.3	23.5	Other	60	4.9	7.5
				All Households	1,231	100	100

DC (Dependent Children) = Aged 0-15 and/or aged 16-18 if in full time education

Accommodation Type	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Detached	312	24.1	27.4	24.1
Semi-Detached	517	39.9	32.2	39.9
Terrace	378	29.2	21.9	29.2
Flat	87	6.7	17.6	6.7
Caravan/Mobile	2	0.2	0.9	0.2

Household Tenure	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Owned	827	67.2	66.8	67.2
Social Rented	267	21.7	16.1	21.7
Private Rented	137	11.1	17.2	11.1

Central Heating	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
None	19	1.5	2.0	1.5
Gas	1,099	89.3	77.2	89.3
Electric	30	2.4	9.5	2.4
Oil	23	1.9	5.1	1.9
Solid Fuel	6	0.5	0.6	0.5
2+ Types/Other	54	4.4	5.6	4.4

Health

General Health	Parish		Borough	Disability & Unpaid Carers	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%		No.	%	%
Very Good	1,570	48.5	46.9	Long Term Illness/Disability			
Good	1,179	36.4	36.0	Limited a Lot*	180	5.6	7.1
Fair	365	11.3	12.6	Limited a Little*	224	6.9	8.9
Bad	104	3.2	3.6	Unpaid Carers			
Very Bad	21	0.6	1.0	1-49 hours per week	243	7.5	8.2
				50+ hours per week	70	2.2	2.0

* = Day-to-day activities

Economic Activity

Economic Activity (16-74)	Parish		Borough	Economic Activity (16-74)	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%		No.	%	%
Active	1,781	77.6	71.9	Inactive	513	22.4	28.1
FT Employee	1,038	45.2	40.4	Retired	213	9.3	12.8
PT Employee	381	16.6	13.9	Student	85	3.7	5.5
Self-Employed	186	8.1	9.5	Looking After Home	113	4.9	4.3
Unemployed	117	5.1	4.4	Sick/Disabled	58	2.5	3.3
Full-Time Student	59	2.6	3.6	Other	44	1.9	2.3

Occupation (16-74)	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
Managers, Directors & Senior Officials, Professional Occupations	400	24.3	29.0
Associate Professional & Technical Occupations	194	11.8	12.3
Skilled Trades	213	13.0	11.0
Administrative & Secretarial Occupations	190	11.6	11.2
Caring, Leisure & Other Services, Sales & Customer Service	302	18.4	17.2
Process, Plant & Machine Operatives, Elementary Occupations	345	21.0	19.3

Highest Level Qualification

Highest Level Qualification (16+)	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
Level 4+ (Degree)	548	22.9	28.1
Level 3 (A Level)	287	12.0	11.8
Apprenticeship	105	4.4	3.9
Level 1 or 2 (GCSE)	910	38.0	29.0
Other	140	5.8	6.8
No Qualifications	407	17.0	20.4

Car Ownership

Cars/Vans in Household	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
No Cars	157	12.8	20.6
1 Car	506	41.1	41.8
2 Cars	435	35.3	28.3
3 Cars	105	8.5	6.8
4+ Cars	28	2.3	2.6
Total Cars in Parish	1,813	-	-

Travel to Work

Method of Travel to Work (16-74)	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Work At/From Home	58	3.5	5.6	3.5
Train	73	4.4	4.9	4.4
Bus/Coach/Taxi	88	5.4	4.7	5.4
Car/Motorcycle	1,332	81.0	69.8	81.0
Bicycle	30	1.8	3.8	1.8
Foot	55	3.3	10.6	3.3

Sources: ONS 2011 Census Tables: QS601 Economic Activity; QS606 Occupation; QS501 Highest Level of Qualification Gained; QS416 Car or Van Availability; QS701 Method of Travel to Work. ©Crown Copyright 2013.

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