

# Kempston Rural

Parish Profile

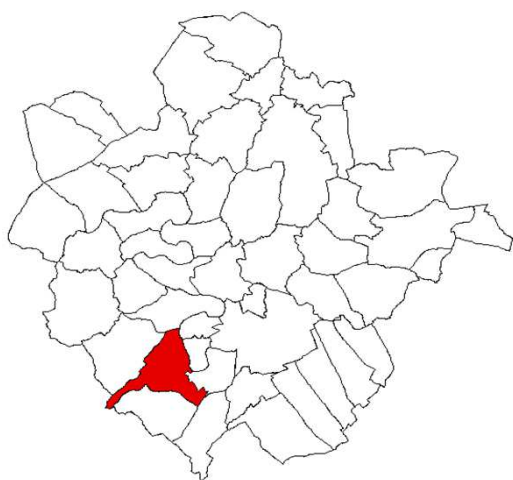
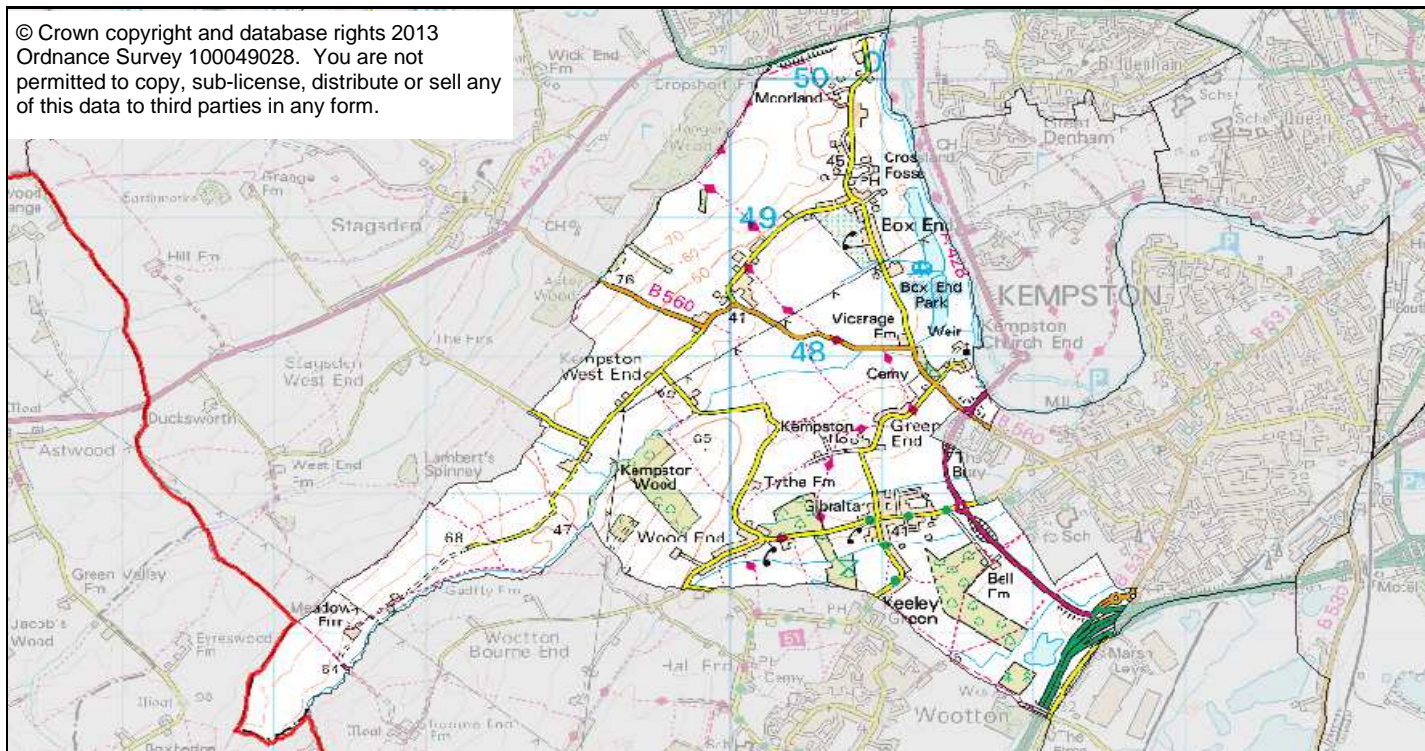
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Located in the south west of Bedford Borough, Kempston Rural has an older age profile than the Borough with many people in the 40-69 age group which forms half the Parish population. The non-White British population (12%) is among the highest of all parishes.

Home ownership (87%) is high, with 5% of households renting from social landlords and 8% renting privately. Housing is predominantly detached (46%) and semi-detached (46%), and heated by gas (61%) or oil (24%).

Employment as managers, directors and in professional occupations (32%) is below the rural average but exceeds the Borough average. Self employment (16%) and employment in skilled trades (13%) are both high.

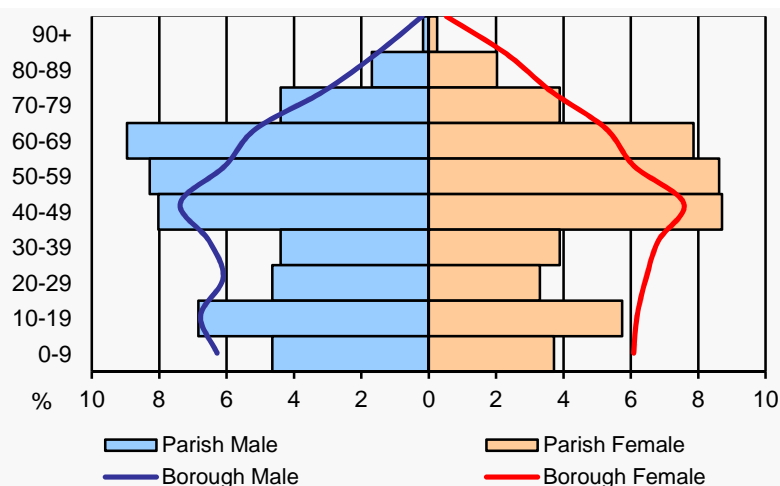
The proportion of residents aged 16+ with degree-level qualifications (31%) is below the average for rural parishes, and 19% of residents have no qualifications. The provision of unpaid care (14%) by Kempston Rural residents exceeds the Borough average, though overall health levels are similar.

Only 6% of households do not have a car, 38% have 2 cars, and 26% have 3 or more. Most people travel to work by car (83%), 8% work from home, commuting by train is low (3%), and only 4% of those in employment cycle or walk to work.

<b>Population</b>	<b>1,184</b>
<b>Area (hectares)</b>	<b>974</b>
<b>Population Density (People/hectare)</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>Households</b>	<b>476</b>
<b>Dwellings</b>	<b>485</b>

## Population

Age	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
0-4	36	3.0	6.4
5-15	153	12.9	13.7
16-17	36	3.0	2.7
18-29	117	9.9	15.1
30-39	98	8.3	13.3
40-49	198	16.7	14.9
50-64	317	26.8	18.1
65-74	139	11.7	8.1
75-84	75	6.3	5.5
85+	15	1.3	2.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,184</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>



Ethnicity	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
White British	1,038	87.7	71.5	87.7
White Other	46	3.9	9.1	3.9
Mixed/Multiple	27	2.3	3.4	2.3
Asian/Asian British	47	4.0	11.4	4.0
Black/Black British	14	1.2	3.9	1.2
Other	12	1.0	0.7	1.0

Top 3 Countries of Birth in the Parish (excl. UK)	Parish		Top 3 Main Languages in the Parish (excl. English)	Parish	
	No.	%		No.	%
India	14	1.2	Punjabi	14	1.2
Italy	12	1.0	Italian	5	0.4
Ireland	6	0.5	Welsh	2	0.2

Religion or Belief	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Christian	808	68.2	59.3	68.2
Other Religion	57	4.8	10.5	4.8
No Religion	253	21.4	23.6	21.4
Not Stated	66	5.6	6.6	5.6

Marital & Civil Partnership Status 16+	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Single	248	24.9	31.9	24.9
Married	601	60.4	49.2	60.4
Civil Partnership	4	0.4	0.2	0.4
Separated/Divorced	74	7.4	12.0	7.4
Widowed	68	6.8	6.7	6.8

## Housing & Households

Household Composition	Parish		Borough	Household Composition	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%		No.	%	%
1 Person: Pensioner	63	13.2	11.9	Lone Parent: With DC	16	3.4	7.6
1 Person: Other	53	11.1	16.9	Lone Parent: No DC	8	1.7	3.4
Couple: With DC	97	20.4	20.9	Couple: Both 65+	47	9.9	8.2
Couple: No DC	166	34.9	23.5	Other	26	5.5	7.5
				<b>All Households</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

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

Accommodation Type	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Detached	223	46.0	27.4	46.0
Semi-Detached	225	46.4	32.2	46.4
Terrace	26	5.4	21.9	5.4
Flat	11	2.3	17.6	2.3
Caravan/Mobile	0	0.0	0.9	0.0

Household Tenure	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Owned	415	87.2	66.8	87.2
Social Rented	23	4.8	16.1	4.8
Private Rented	38	8.0	17.2	8.0

Central Heating	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
None	11	2.3	2.0	2.3
Gas	289	60.7	77.2	60.7
Electric	26	5.5	9.5	5.5
Oil	114	23.9	5.1	23.9
Solid Fuel	10	2.1	0.6	2.1
2+ Types/Other	26	5.5	5.6	5.5

## Health

General Health	Parish		Borough	Disability & Unpaid Carers	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%		No.	%	%
Very Good	554	46.8	46.9	<b>Long Term Illness/Disability</b>			
Good	428	36.1	36.0	Limited a Lot*	74	6.3	7.1
Fair	156	13.2	12.6	Limited a Little*	109	9.2	8.9
Bad	33	2.8	3.6	<b>Unpaid Carers</b>			
Very Bad	13	1.1	1.0	1-49 hours per week	139	11.7	8.2
				50+ hours per week	28	2.4	2.0

\* = Day-to-day activities

## Economic Activity

Economic Activity (16-74)	Parish		Borough	Economic Activity (16-74)	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%		No.	%	%
<b>Active</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>73.6</b>	<b>71.9</b>	<b>Inactive</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>28.1</b>
FT Employee	343	37.9	40.4	Retired	156	17.2	12.8
PT Employee	130	14.4	13.9	Student	30	3.3	5.5
Self-Employed	147	16.2	9.5	Looking After Home	25	2.8	4.3
Unemployed	19	2.1	4.4	Sick/Disabled	17	1.9	3.3
Full-Time Student	27	3.0	3.6	Other	11	1.2	2.3

Occupation (16-74)	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
Managers, Directors & Senior Officials, Professional Occupations	203	31.6	29.0
Associate Professional & Technical Occupations	90	14.0	12.3
Skilled Trades	86	13.4	11.0
Administrative & Secretarial Occupations	95	14.8	11.2
Caring, Leisure & Other Services, Sales & Customer Service	80	12.4	17.2
Process, Plant & Machine Operatives, Elementary Occupations	89	13.8	19.3

## Highest Level Qualification

Highest Level Qualification (16+)	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
Level 4+ (Degree)	305	30.7	28.1
Level 3 (A Level)	115	11.6	11.8
Apprenticeship	54	5.4	3.9
Level 1 or 2 (GCSE)	293	29.4	29.0
Other	35	3.5	6.8
No Qualifications	193	19.4	20.4

## Car Ownership

Cars/Vans in Household	Parish		Borough
	No.	%	%
No Cars	30	6.3	20.6
1 Car	142	29.8	41.8
2 Cars	179	37.6	28.3
3 Cars	88	18.5	6.8
4+ Cars	37	7.8	2.6
<b>Total Cars in Parish</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## Travel to Work

Method of Travel to Work (16-74)	Parish		Borough	Parish (%)
	No.	%	%	
Work At/From Home	52	8.1	5.6	8.1
Train	21	3.3	4.9	3.3
Bus/Coach/Taxi	10	1.6	4.7	1.6
Car/Motorcycle	533	82.9	69.8	82.9
Bicycle	11	1.7	3.8	1.7
Foot	12	1.9	10.6	1.9

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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