

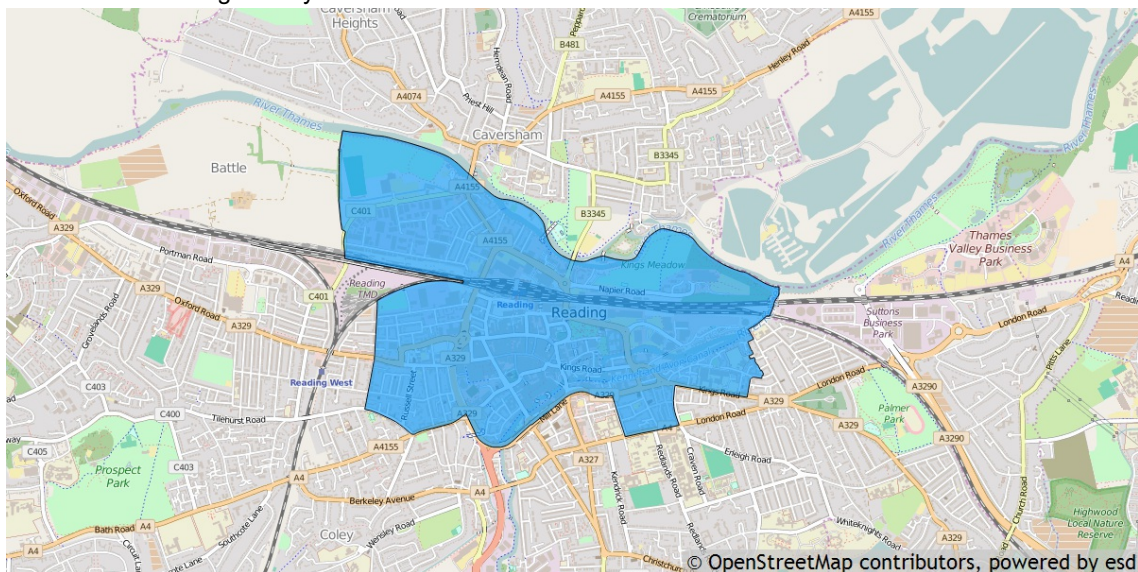
Basic facts about Abbey Ward

This report provides a summary of the latest available information on the demographic and socio-economic make-up of the Abbey Ward within Reading Unitary. It looks at the population structure and provides information on the economic, housing and educational achievement of the Ward.

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Abbey is one of the 16 Wards of Reading. It has an area of 318 hectares which represents 7.87% of the total area of Reading Unitary.



Residents

Abbey has a resident population of 12,629 which represents 8.11% of the total Reading Unitary resident population of 155,698.

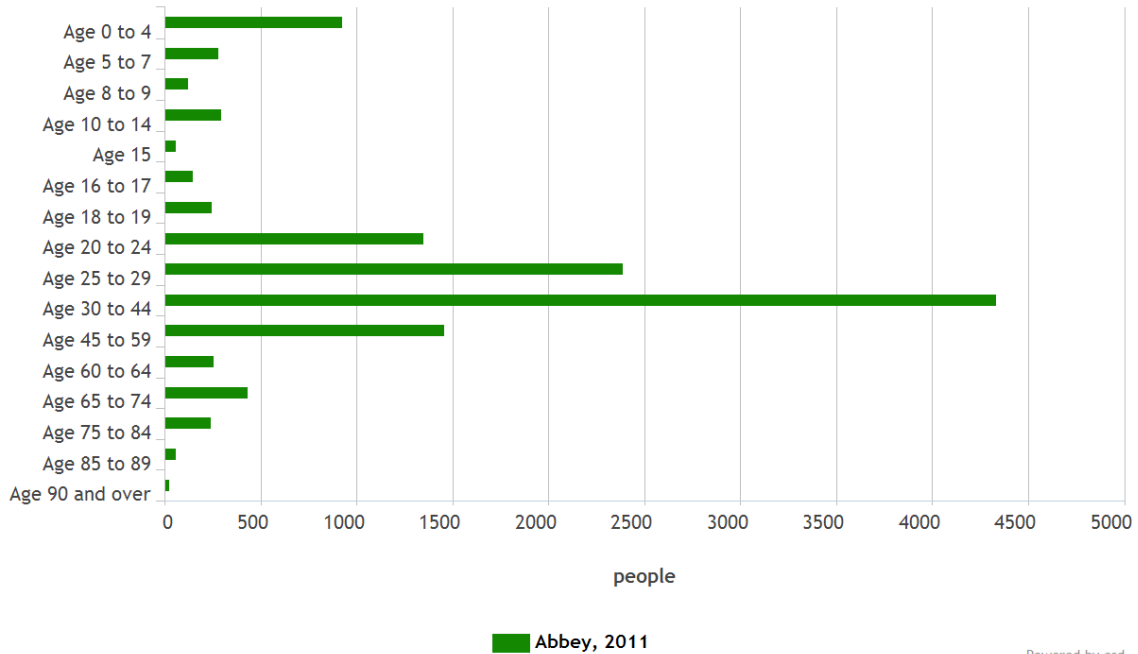
Abbey's resident population is 45.2% female and 54.8% male.

Age

The mean age of the Abbey Ward population is 32 years compared to a mean age of 35 years for residents in the whole of Reading . The predominant age band in Abbey is Age 30 to 44 which represents 34.30% of the total Ward population.

Age structure

source: Census 2011



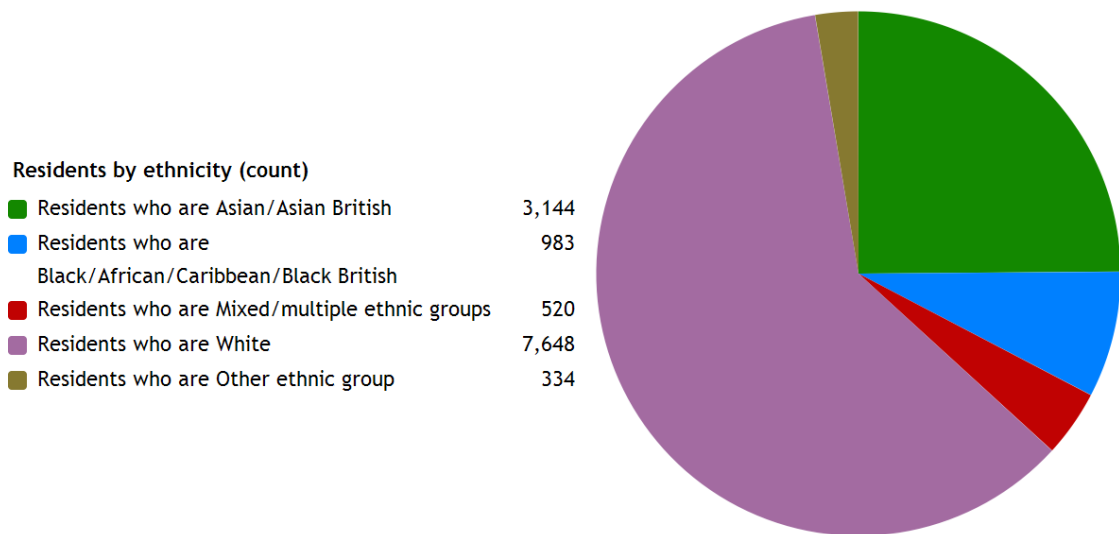
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Ethnicity

The largest ethnic group in Abbey is 'Number of usual residents who are White' with 60.5% of the Ward's population. That compares with a figure of 74.8% for Reading Unitary as a whole and 85.4% for South East .

The second largest ethnic group is 'Number of usual residents who are Asian/Asian British' with 24.9% of the Ward's population. That compares with 13.6% for the Unitary as a whole and 5.2% for South East.

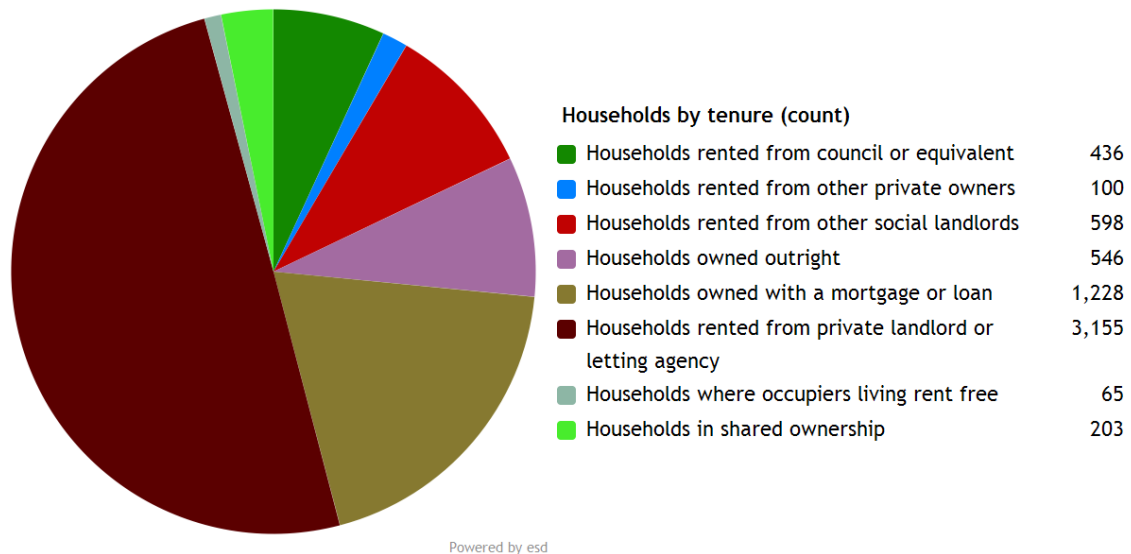
The ethnic split of Abbey's residents is shown below.



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Households

Abbey Ward has 6,331 households, which represent 10.07% of Reading's 62,869 households. The household split by tenure is shown below.



The largest number of households lives in 'Number of all households - Private rented: Private landlord or letting agency' accommodation with 49.8% of Abbey households. That compares with 24.7% for Reading Unitary as a whole and 14.1% for South East.

The second largest number of households lives in 'Percentage of all households - Owned with a mortgage or loan' accommodation with 19.4% of the Ward's households. That compares with 32.2% for the Unitary as a whole and 33.5% for South East.

Abbey has 778 households with dependent children aged 0 to 4. That represents 12.30% of the Ward's households.

1,204 households in the Ward have dependent children of all ages. That represents 19.00% of the Ward's households.

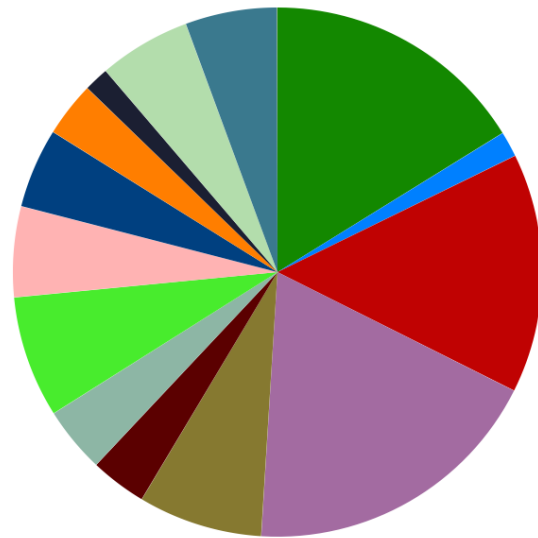
Employment

The following chart provides a breakdown of Abbey Ward by socio-economic classification for all residents 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. To assign a person aged 16 to 74 to an NS-SEC category their occupation title is combined with information about their employment status, whether they are employed or self-employed, and whether or not they supervise other employees. Full-time students are recorded in the 'full-time students' category regardless of whether they are economically active or not.

Residents by NS-Sec (count)

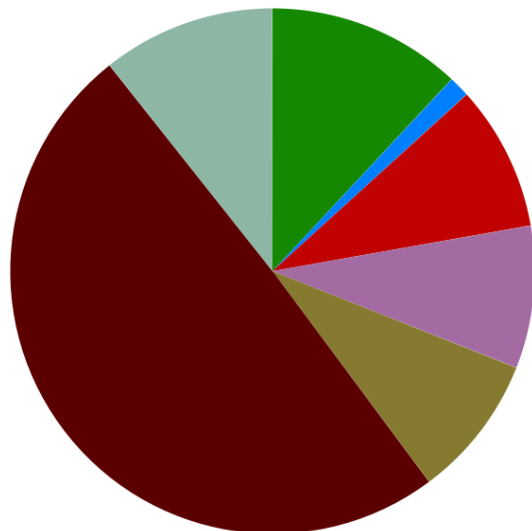
NS-Sec: Higher managerial, administrative and professional	2,347
NS-Sec: Large employers and higher managerial and administrative	224
NS-Sec: Higher professional	2,123
NS-Sec: Lower managerial, administrative and professional	2,692
NS-Sec: Intermediate	1,099
NS-Sec: Small employers and own account workers	497
NS-Sec: Lower supervisory and technical	585
NS-Sec: Semi-routine occupations	1,075
NS-Sec: Routine occupations	804
NS-Sec: Never worked and long-term unemployed	705
NS-Sec: Never worked	486
NS-Sec: Long-term unemployed	219
NS-Sec: Not classified	814
NS-Sec: Full-time students	814
NS-Sec: Not classifiable for other reasons	0



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The largest group is National Statistics Socio-Economic Classification - 2. Lower managerial, administrative and professional occupations representing 25.40% of the Ward's population.

Education



Residents by educational qualifications (count)

No qualifications	1,310
Apprenticeship	142
Level 1 qualifications	980
Level 2 qualifications	959
Level 3 qualifications	965
Level 4 qualifications and above	5,417
Other qualifications	1,167

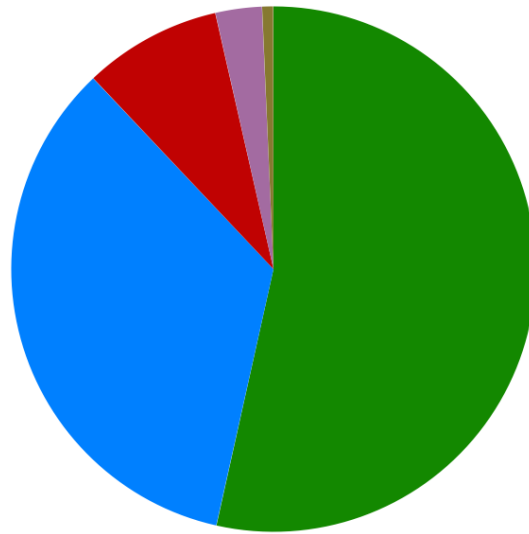
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49.50% of Abbey's residents have achieved level 4 qualifications and above compared to 34.80% in Reading as a whole and 12.00% of Abbey's residents have no qualifications compared to 17.40% in Reading .

Health

Residents by level of health (count)

Very good health	6,758
Good health	4,348
Fair health	1,073
Bad health	363
Very bad health	87



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Abbey has 363 (2.9%) residents that report being in bad health and 87 (0.7%) residents that report being in very bad health.

Its ranking for the number of residents in very bad health is 8 (out of 16 Wards) within Reading.

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