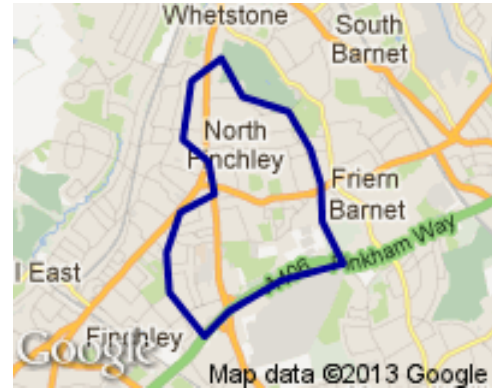# Profile of Woodhouse Ward

Geography

Woodhouse is the 17th largest of Barnet's wards with an area of 2.6 square kilometres.

Population

With 16,998 residents in 2012, Woodhouse ranks as the 8th largest ward in Barnet. It is expected to increase very slightly by 2022 to 17,151 residents and is expected to ranks 9th largest.
(Source: Barnet Hybrid Solution updated for MYE Jan 2012 update)

Population Density: 67.3 per hectare   Ward Rank in Barnet: 3rd most dense

No. of Households: 6906

(Source: Census 2011[1])

Age Profile

Woodhouse ward's age structure mirrors that of the borough as a whole in all age groups.
(*Source: Barnet Hybrid Solution updated for MYE Jan 2012 update)*

Figure 1. Age Profile

2012	0-14	15-39	40-59	60-79	80+
Woodhouse	18%	41%	26%	12%	4%
BARNET	21%	35%	26%	14%	4%

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Ethnicity

The ward's profile matches that of Barnet in all groups apart from residents who describe their ethnic origin as Indian, which is slightly higher than the Barnet average. *(Source: Barnet Census Profiles 2001)*

Religion

In terms of faith Woodhouse has the joint third largest proportion of Hindus in Barnet. All other faiths match the Barnet average profile apart from there are fewer Jewish residents. *(Source: Census 2011)*

Figure 2. Religion Profile

Ward/Area	Christian	Buddhist	Hindu	Jewish	Muslim	Sikh	Other Religion	No Religion	Religion not stated
BARNET	41%	1%	6%	15%	10%	0%	1%	16%	8%
Woodhouse	45%	1%	9%	6%	10%	0%	1%	18%	8%

Languages

41% of school children in Woodhouse do not speak English as a first language in the home, slightly below the Barnet average (44%). Gujarati, Persian-Farsi and Polish are the most common languages other than English spoken in the homes of Woodhouse pupils attending Barnet schools (with 123, 84 and 74 pupils respectively).
(Source: PLASC January 2012: this data does not include pupils from Woodhouse who attend private schools or schools outside Barnet.)

Deprivation

The 2010 Index of Deprivation shows Barnet as a whole to be the 176th most deprived local authority out of the 354 for England and Wales – slightly below the average. Barnet has become less deprived in relation to England over the last three years. None of the LSOA's[2] in Woodhouse are within the 10% most income deprived nationally.
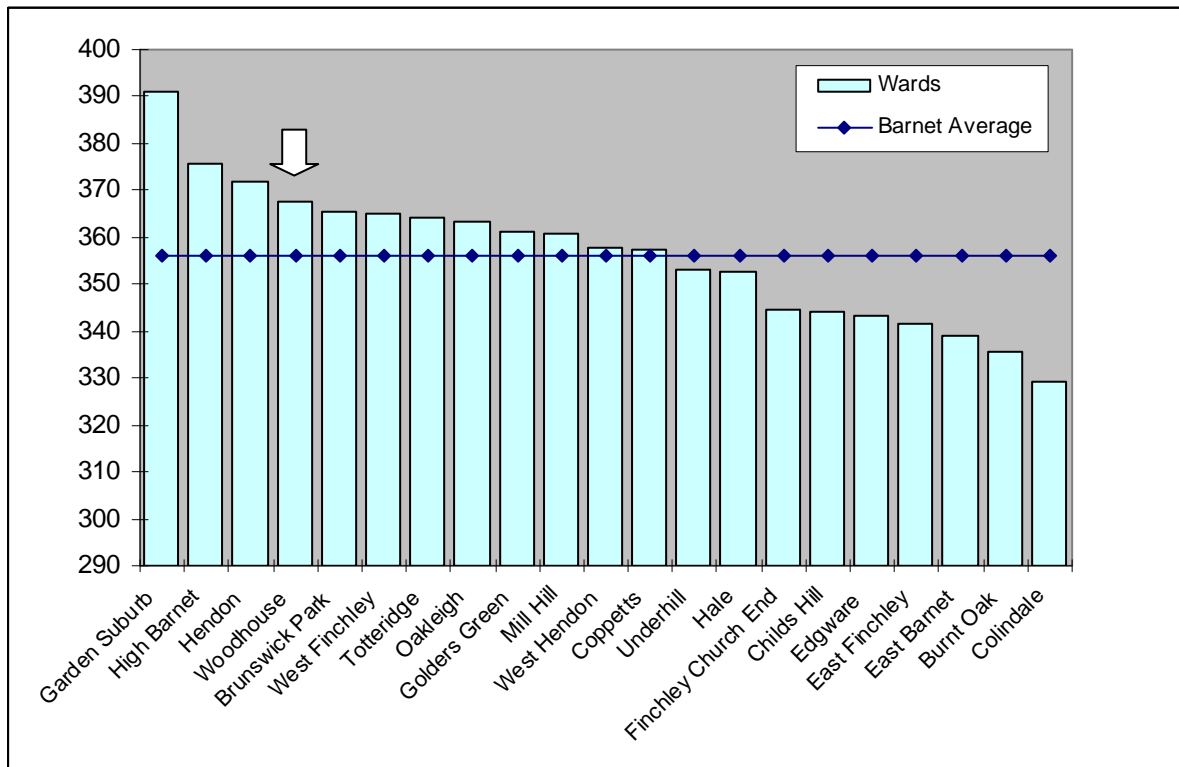*(Source: http://www.barnet.gov.uk/download/downloads/id/2348/deprivation_in_barnet_2012)*

Education

The data for 2011/12 in the graph below shows the results for the 2,655 Barnet residents attending Barnet schools who took GCSEs. It shows pupils living in Woodhouse had the fourth highest GCSE equivalent point scores per pupil in the borough, higher the Barnet average. *(Source: Performance & Data Management, Children's Service, LBB)*

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[2] Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) are standard statistical geographies developed by the Office for National Statistics, which contain around 1,500 people

Figure 3. Average GCSE scores for 2011/12, by pupil's ward of residence

Income

Data from the company CACI shows Woodhouse to have a median average household income of £33,386 – below the borough average which was £33,501, and the thirteenth highest in the borough. *(Source: CACI Paycheck data 2012)*

In May 2012 there were 2,465 Woodhouse residents receiving a state pension, which is significantly lower than the borough average of 2,434 per ward.
(Source: DWP Information Directorate)

Working Age Benefits

The Jobseeker's allowance (JSA) is payable to people under pensionable age who are available for, and actively seeking, work. The overall rate of claiming for Woodhouse residents is higher than both the borough and national levels. *(Source: www.nomisweb.co.uk)*

Figure 4. Total Jobseekers Allowance claimants (February 2013)

	Woodhouse (numbers)	Woodhouse (%)	Barnet (%)	Great Britain (%)
All people	374	3.2	2.8	3.9
Males	231	4.0	3.5	5.1
Females	143	2.5	2.2	2.7

Figure 5. DWP benefit claimants (August 2012)

	Woodhouse (numbers)	Woodhouse (%)	Barnet (%)	Great Britain (%)
Total claimants	1,370	11.8	10.9	14.3
Job seekers	360	3.1	2.8	3.7
ESA and incapacity benefits	625	5.4	4.7	6.3
Lone parents	125	1.1	1.3	1.4
Carers	105	0.9	0.9	1.2
Others on income related benefits	35	0.3	0.3	0.4
Disabled	100	0.9	0.8	1.1
Bereaved	20	0.2	0.2	0.2
Key out-of-work benefits[†]	1,145	9.8	9.1	11.8

Health

Average life expectancy is a key summary indicator of health. For men, the Woodhouse figure is lower than the average for Barnet & England average, and slightly higher than the London average. For women it is lower than the average for Barnet, London & England.
(*Source: ONS Life expectancy by ward 1999-2007*)

Figure 6. Life Expectancy in Years

	Males	Females
Woodhouse	77.5	80.7
Barnet	78.6	82.7
London	77.1	81.7
England	77.3	81.5

Crime

For all categories except 'Burglary' and 'Fraud or forgery', crime rates in the year to February 2013 in Barnet are low compared with London as a whole. In the case of Woodhouse, it is higher than the Barnet average in all categories, except for 'Sexual offences'.
(*Source: Metropolitan Police Service*).
Note: a crime is categorised as a robbery where force is intimated or used to steal property. Burglary is theft, or attempted theft, from a building where access is not authorised.
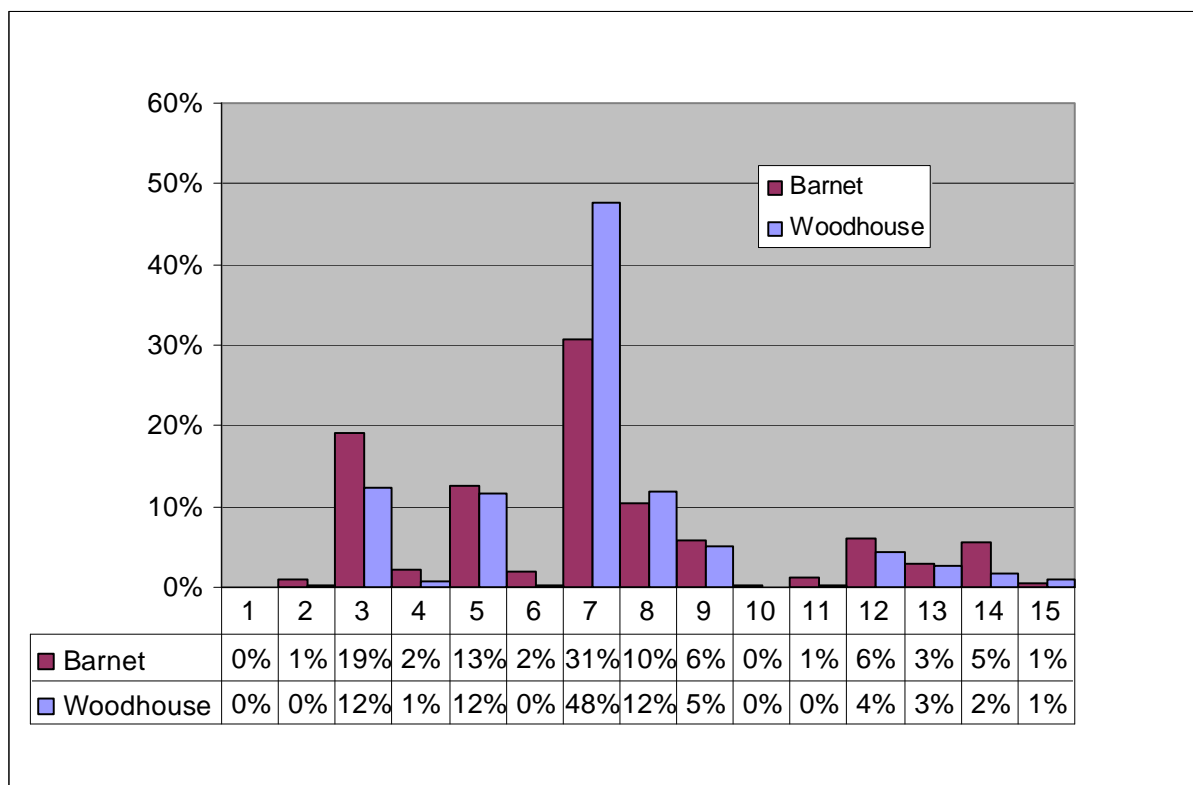
Mosaic

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• Experian's Mosaic data brings together a large amount of data about areas and individual households from a variety of sources to classify all households according to 15 Groups and 67 Types. Experian does not claim one hundred percent accuracy for this product but it is does use strong correlations to arrive at good predictions about the nature of each household in the borough. The classifications are highly detailed but summed up with a headline phrase.

Mosaic Groups

- Woodhouse has substantially more than the borough average of Group 7 (Barnet's most popular group) which are Young well-educated city-dwellers.
- Woodhouse has a lower proportion of Group 3; Wealthy people living in the most sought after neighbourhoods.

Figure 7. Mosaic Groups in Woodhouse

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Barnet	0%	1%	19%	2%	13%	2%	31%	10%	6%	0%	1%	6%	3%	5%	1%
Woodhouse	0%	0%	12%	1%	12%	0%	48%	12%	5%	0%	0%	4%	3%	2%	1%

Group Code	Group Description	Group Code	Group Description
1	Residents of isolated rural communities	9	Lower income workers in urban terraces in often diverse areas
2	Residents of small and mid-sized towns with strong local roots	10	Owner occupiers in older-style housing in ex-industrial areas
3	Wealthy people living in the most sought after neighbourhoods	11	Residents with sufficient incomes in right-to-buy social housing
4	Successful professionals living in suburban or semi-rural homes	12	Active elderly people living in pleasant retirement locations
5	Middle income families living in moderate suburban semis	13	Elderly people reliant on state support
6	Couples with young children in comfortable modern housing	14	Young people renting flats in high density social housing
7	Young, well-educated city dwellers	15	Families in low-rise social housing with high levels of benefit need
8	Couples and young singles in small modern starter homes		