

# Romsey Cupernham Ward Profile



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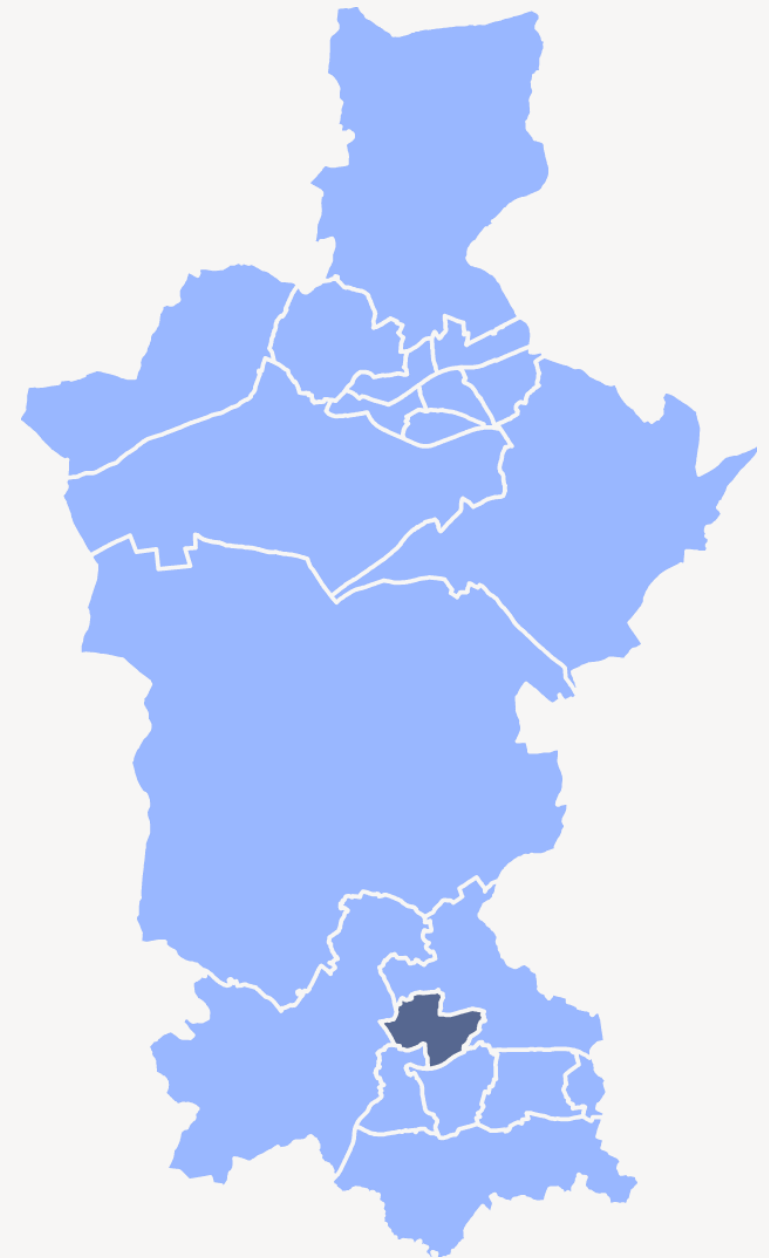
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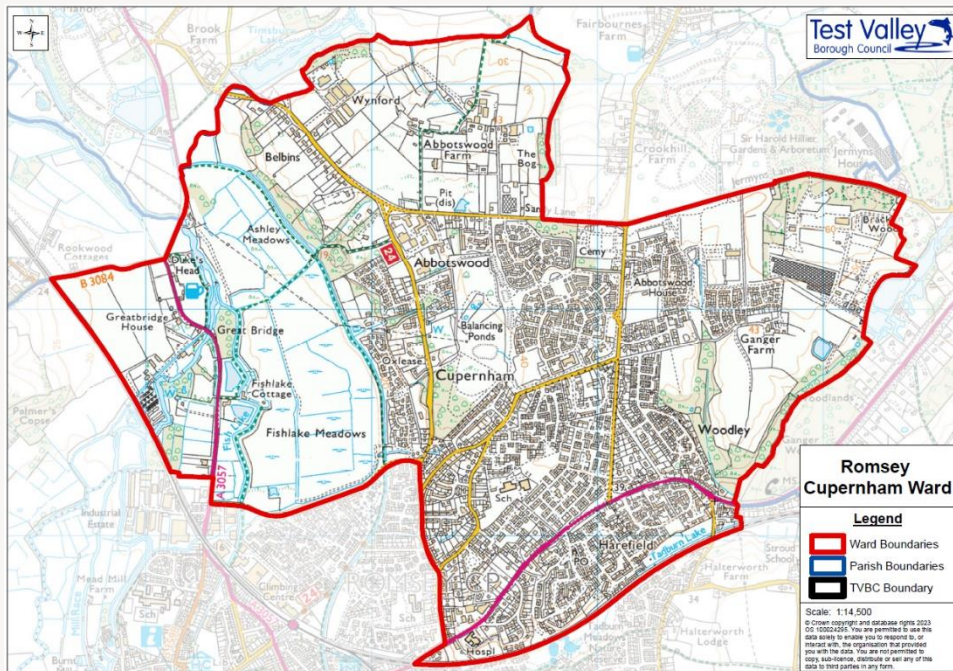
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# Romsey Cupernham Ward Profile

This profile provides a summary of the latest available information on the demographic make-up of the ward of Romsey Cupernham within Test Valley. It looks at information on topics such as the population structure, economic, housing, health and educational information for the ward.

**Romsey Cupernham** is one of the Test Valley's twenty wards. It has an area of **576.63** hectares which represents **0.9%** of the total area of Test Valley; in terms of area, **Romsey Cupernham** is Test Valley's **twelfth largest** ward. The ward's population is **9,511** and its population density is **16.49** people per hectare, which is far higher than the borough's average population density of **2.15** people per hectare.



Romsey Cupernham Ward covers the north and west of the town of Romsey. This includes Woodley, Cupernham, Ganger Farm and Abbotswood. The ward is bordered by the railway line and the rest of Romsey in the south with Ampfield to the east, Braishfield and Michelmersh & Timsbury to the north, and Awbridge to the north-west.

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## Parish Councils

Romsey Cupernham ward is part of the following parish:

- **Romsey Town Council**

Further information about this, and Test Valley's other parishes, can be found on the [council's website](#).

# Population



9,511

Population 2022



5%  
increase



9,982

Estimated  
population in 2029



3.6% of the population are military veterans  
16.7% of the population are school children

## Age breakdown

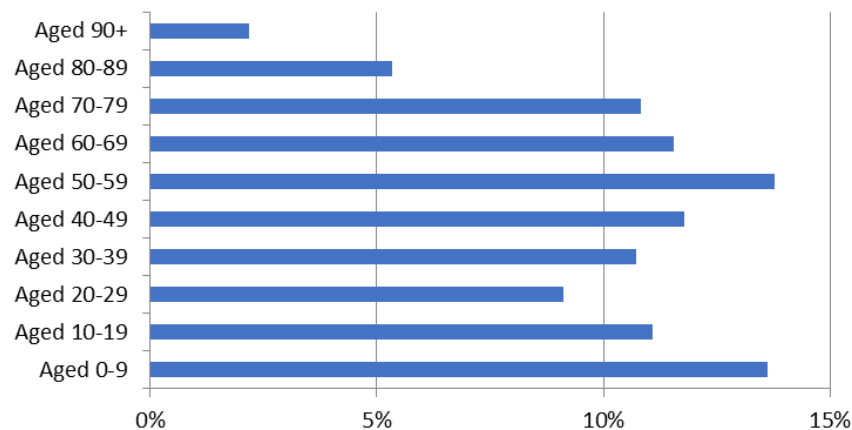
At 24.7% Romsey Cupernham has a larger percentage of **young people** (aged 0-19) than the borough average of 22.6%. By 2029, the proportion of young people will decrease to 23.9%, and will then be 2.4% higher than the borough average.

At 19.8%, Romsey Cupernham has a larger percentage of **young adults** (aged 20-39) than the borough average of 19.5%. The proportion of young adults living in the ward is expected to decrease by 2.5% between 2022 and 2029, a faster rate than the expected fall of 0.9% across the borough.

**Middle aged residents** (aged 40-69) constitute 37.1% of Romsey Cupernham's population, which is lower than the borough average of 40.0%. This is forecast to remain unchanged between now and 2029, when it'll be 2.7% lower than the borough average.

At 18.4%, Romsey Cupernham has a higher percentage of those **aged 70 and over**, 0.5% above the borough average. By 2029 this percentage is forecast to increase by 3.2%, a faster rate than the expected increase of 2.2% that is forecast for the borough as a whole.

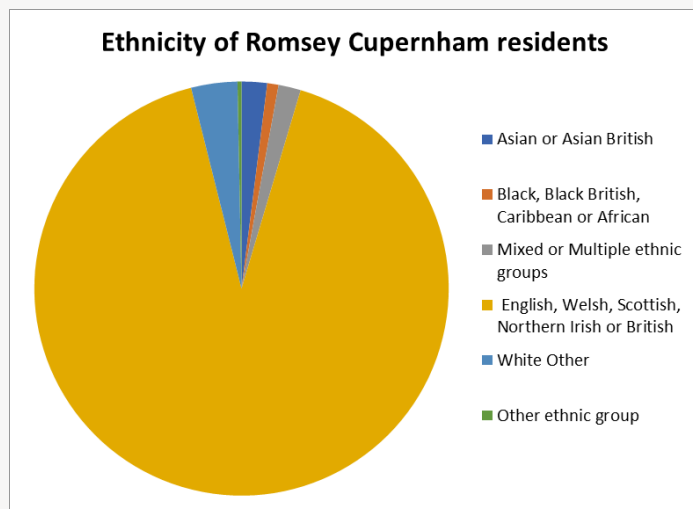
Percentage of the population by age group 2022



## Population Data

This population data is taken from the Small Area Population Forecasts (SAPF), provided by Hampshire County Council. Further information on this is available online at: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/facts-figures/population/estimates-forecasts>.

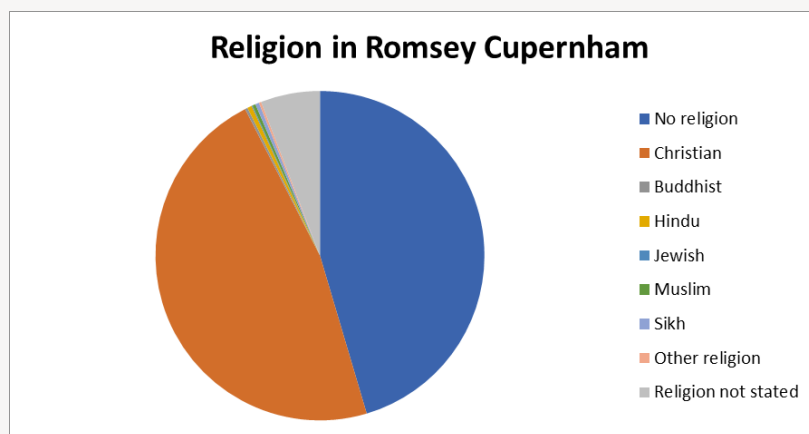
## Ethnicity



Asian or Asian British	Black, Black British, Caribbean or African	Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups	English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British	White Other	Other ethnic group
2.0%	0.9%	1.7%	91.5%	3.6%	0.3%

The graph shows the ethnic groups within Romsey Cupernham by percentage. At the 2021 Census, 91.5% of Romsey Cupernham's population identified as White British. This is higher than the borough average of 88.8%. Romsey Cupernham's level of ethnic diversity is lower than England as a whole, where only 73.5% of the population are White British.

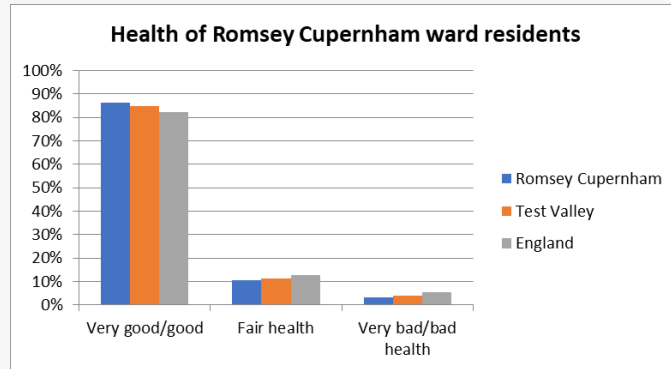
## Religion



No religion	Christian	Buddhist	Hindu	Jewish	Muslim	Sikh	Other religion	Religion not stated
45.4%	47.1%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%	5.8%

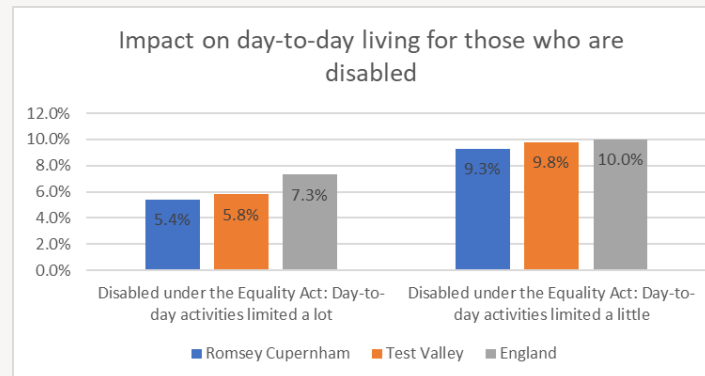
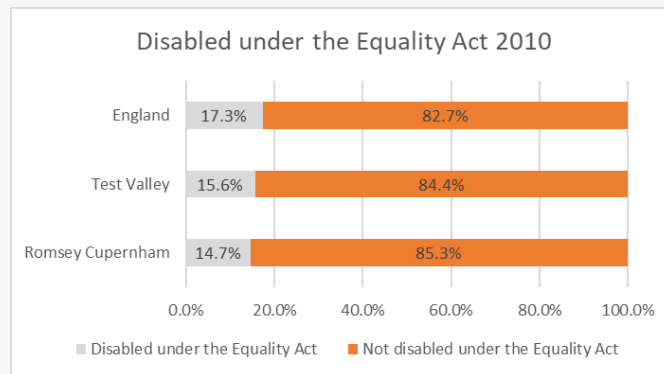
At the 2021 Census, the largest proportion of Romsey Cupernham's residents (47.1%) classify themselves as Christian, which is lower than the borough average of 50.5% but higher than the English average of 46.3%. The next largest group are those that say they have no religion (45.4%), which is higher than the Test Valley average (40.6%) and the English average (36.7%). Of those groups that do adhere to a religion, Hinduism and Sikhism are jointly the second largest group at 0.4% each. By comparison, 0.8% of England's population identify as Hindu whilst 0.4% identified as adhering to Sikhism.

## Health



At the 2021 Census, 86.4% of residents in Romsey Cupernham said they felt that they were in very good or good health. This is higher than both the average for Test Valley (84.7%) and the average for England (82.2%). 3.3% of the population rated their health as bad or very bad, which is lower than equivalent figure for the borough (3.8%) and the English average (5.2%)

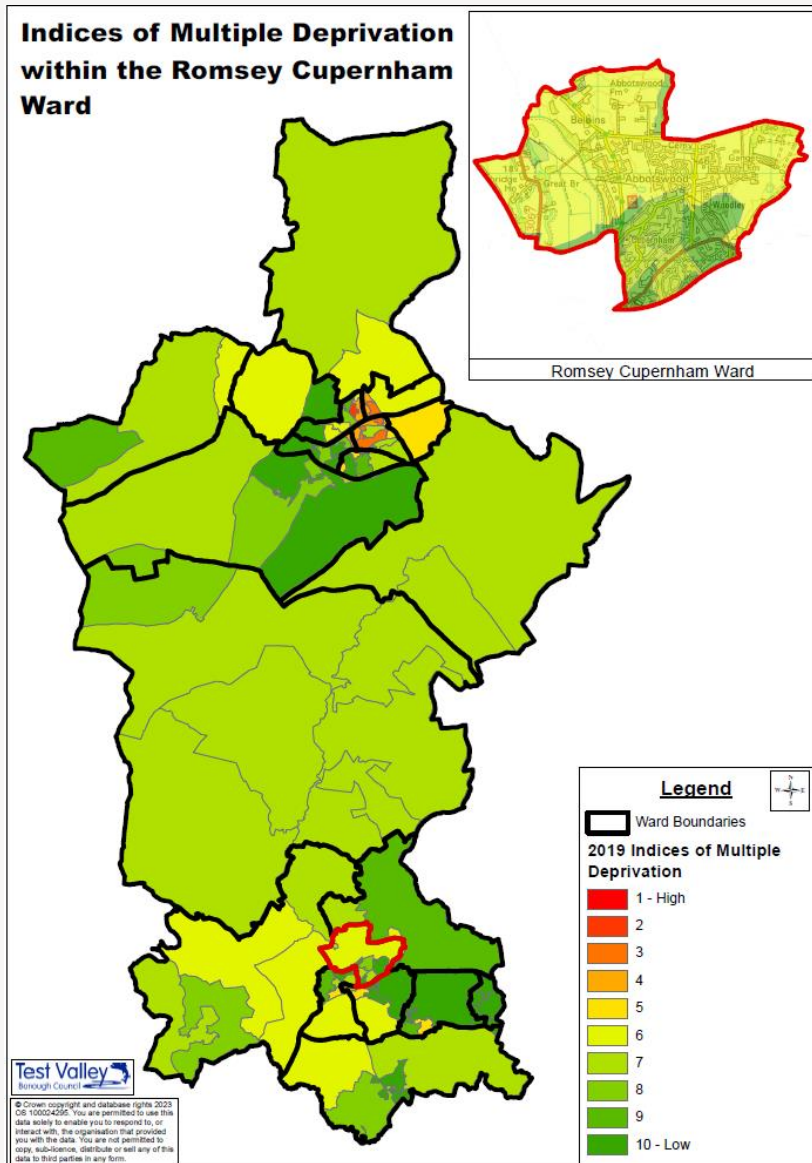
## Disability



At the 2021 Census, 14.7% of Romsey Cupernham's population identified as having a disability, as defined by the Equality Act 2010. This is a lower proportion than the population of Test Valley as a whole, where 15.6% identified as having a disability, and also lower than the proportion of people in England as a whole, where the figure was 17.3%.

Of this 14.7%, 5.4% of the ward's population said they had a disability that limited their day-to-day activities a lot, lower than the equivalent figures for Test Valley and England. 9.3% said they had a disability that impacted them a little, lower than the respective figures for the borough and country.

## Deprivation



The English Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 is designed to identify areas where communities lack resources and are in need. To do this, seven factors are considered, which are:

- income deprivation
- employment deprivation
- education, skills and training deprivation
- health deprivation and disability
- crime
- barriers to housing and services
- living environment deprivation

Areas are scored on each of these factors and ranked nationally from least deprived to most deprived.

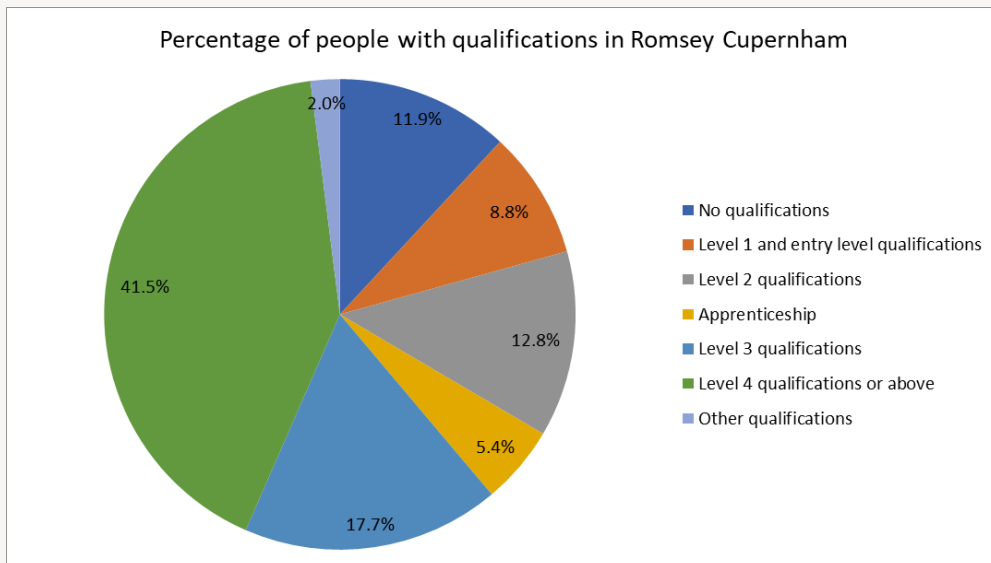
This map shows the deprivation scores for Romsey Cupernham against all areas in Test Valley. Of 32,844 areas ranked across the country, areas of Romsey Cupernham rank from 18,725<sup>th</sup> to 32,275<sup>th</sup>, this puts parts of the ward in from the **10% of least deprived** areas in the country and the **50% of least deprived** areas in the country.

Unlike some wards in Test Valley, where there is a lot of commonalities between areas within wards, the data shows us that there are very few ways in which all of Romsey Cupernham experiences deprivation. The Indices of Multiple Deprivation highlight some areas within the ward have higher levels of deprivation on specific aspects of the indices. For example, most of the ward is within is in the top 20% of most deprived areas for having geographical barriers to local services. Meanwhile, the area to the ward's north and east, around Woodley, Ganger Farm and Abbotswood, fall within the top 30% of most deprived areas for its 'Outdoors' living environment, measured using air quality and road traffic data.

Further information about the Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities 2019 English Indices of Deprivation is available online at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/english-indices-of-deprivation-2019>

# Education and employment

## Qualifications



The pie chart shows the qualifications gained by Romsey Cupernham's residents aged 16-74 years, according to the 2021 Census.

86.2% of people living in Romsey Cupernham have at least one GCSE or equivalent qualification, a figure which is higher than the Test Valley average of 83.3% and the English average of 79.1%.

This means that 11.9% of Romsey Cupernham residents between 16 and 74 have no academic, vocational or professional qualifications, which is 2.2% lower than the borough average and 6.2% lower than the English average.

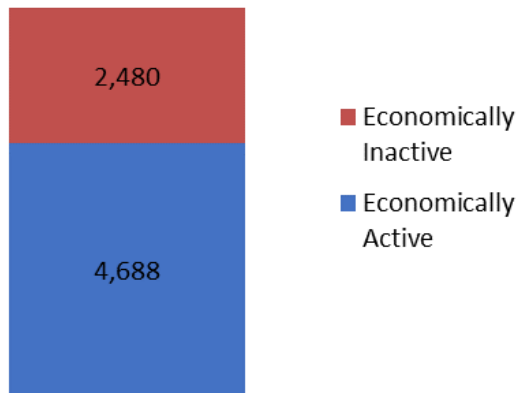
In addition, 41.5% of Romsey Cupernham residents have a level 4 qualification or above, which is equivalent to at least an undergraduate degree. This is higher than the borough average of 35.7% and the English average of 33.9%. Similarly, 5.4% of the ward's population have undertaken an apprenticeship.

No qualifications	No academic or professional qualifications.
Level 1	any GCSEs at other grades, O levels or CSEs (any grades), Foundation Welsh Baccalaureate, one Advanced Subsidiary (AS) level, NVQ (National Vocational Qualification) level 1, Basic or Essential Skills, skills for life, literacy and numeracy, Level 2 Scottish Vocational qualifications
Level 2	five or more GCSEs (A* to C or 9 to 4), O levels (passes), CSEs (grade 1), Intermediate Welsh Baccalaureate, one A level, two to three AS levels, NVQ level 2, Business and Technology Education Council (BTEC) General, City and Guilds Craft, Level 2 Scottish Vocational qualifications
Apprenticeship	Has completed any form of apprenticeship, at any level.
Level 3	two or more A levels, four or more AS levels, Advanced Welsh Baccalaureate, NVQ level 3, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, Ordinary National Certificate (ONC), Ordinary National Diploma (OND), BTEC National, International Baccalaureate, Level 3 Scottish Vocational qualifications
Level 4 or above	degree, foundation degree, Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Master's degrees, Higher National Diploma (HND) or Higher National Certificate (HNC), NVQ level 4 or above, professional qualifications (for example, teaching or nursing)
Other qualification	Any other qualifications, equivalent unknown



## Economic Activity

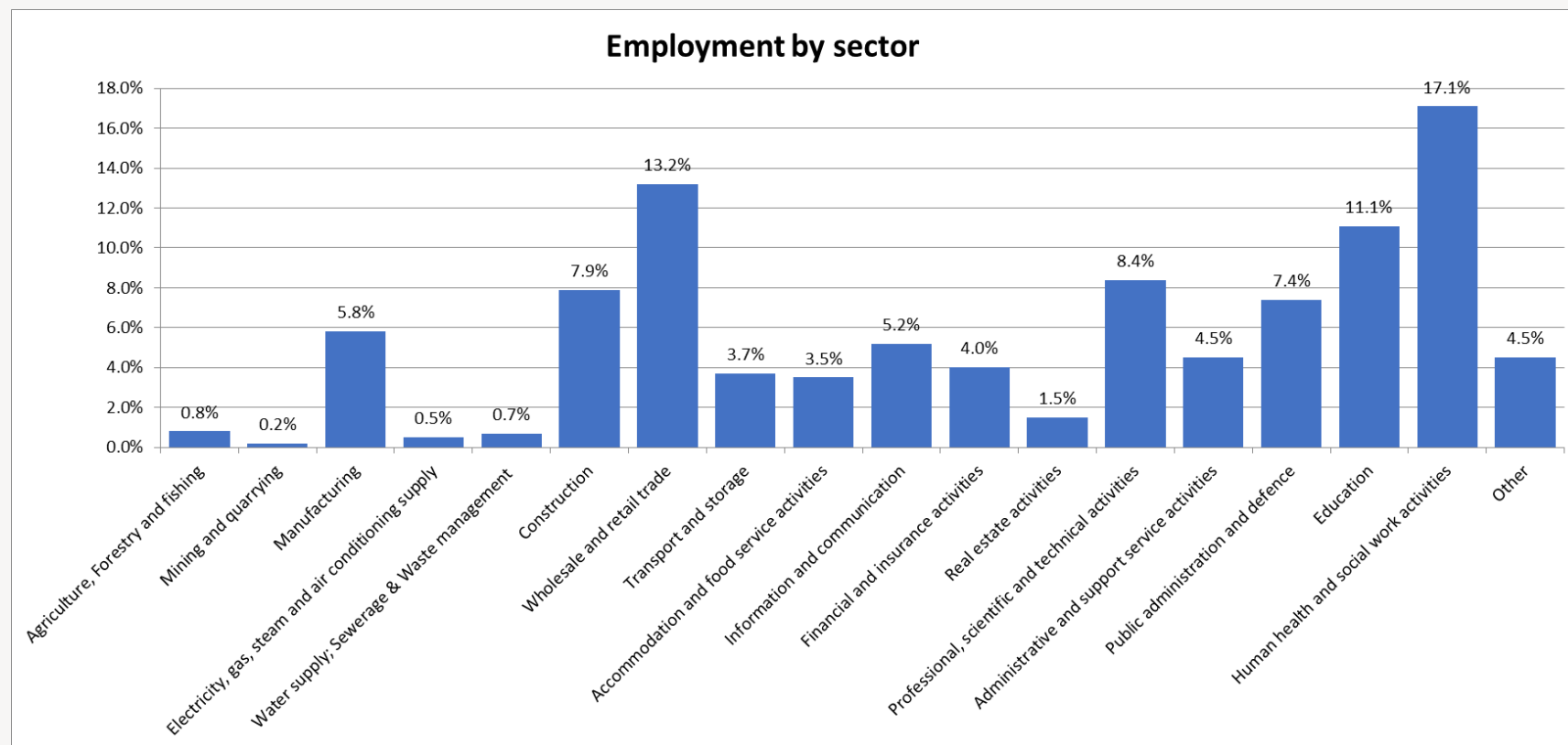
### Economic activity (count)



According to the 2021 Census, 64.5% of Romsey Cupernham's residents aged 16-74 are economically active, higher than Test Valley as a whole where the figure is 63.8% of residents. This includes people in full-, part- and self-employment, those who are actively seeking a job, and full-time students.

The remaining 34.6% of residents aged 16-74 are economically inactive, compared to 36.1% of Test Valley residents. This includes people who are retired, long-term sick or disabled, or who look after the home and family.

## Employment by sector



This graph shows the different industries residents of Romsey Cupernham ward work in, according to the 2021 Census. The largest sector employing people in Romsey Cupernham is Human health and social work activities (17.1%) followed by Wholesale and retail trade (13.2%) and then by Education (11.1%).

# Properties

Total number of properties

# 3,668

## Dwellings



**35.4%**  
Terraced



**21.3%**  
Semi-Detached



**33.9%**  
Detached

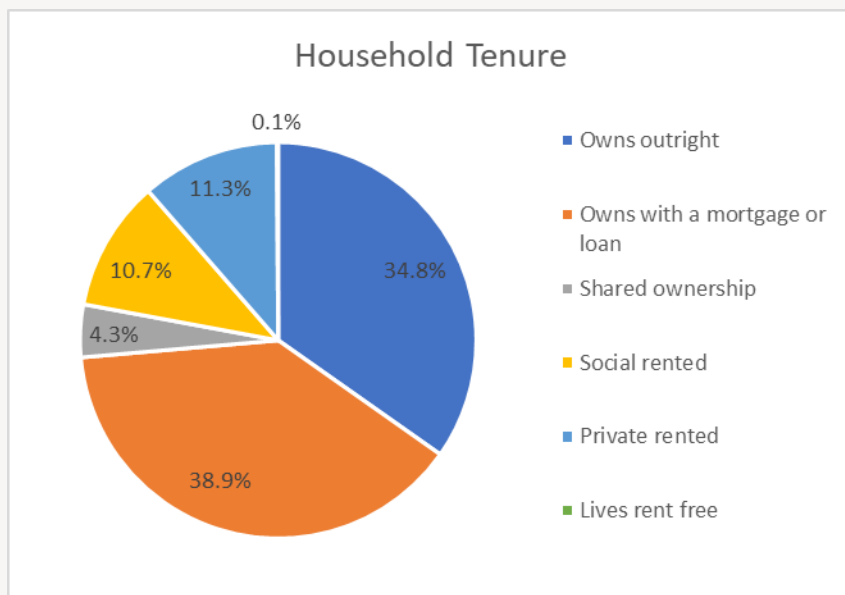


**8.6%**  
Flat



**0.9%**  
Mobile or other

## Household Tenure



Household tenure refers to the financial arrangements under which people occupy their homes and is taken from the 2021 Census.

This pie chart depicts the tenure of households in Romsey Cupernham. 73.7% of people in the ward live in a property which they own outright or with a mortgage or loan. This is higher than both the average for Test Valley, which is 69.0%, and the average for England, which is 61.3%.

10.7% of residents rent their property from a Housing Association, which is lower than the borough average of 14.3% as well as the English average of 17.1% 11.3% of residents privately rent their property; this figure is lower than the borough average of 14.8% and the figure for England of 20.5%.

4.3% of households are part of a shared ownership scheme whilst 0.1% live rent free.

## Community facilities

Within Romsey Cupernham there are a range of community facilities. These include various shops, halls and other facilities. Also within the ward is Fishlake Meadows Local Nature Reserve, Ganger Farm Sports Park and Abbotswood Sports Ground. Romsey town centre is a short walk away from the ward to the southwest.

The ward has several schools like Cupernham Infant and Junior Schools. Secondary schools are located in neighboring wards of Romsey Cupernham and Romsey Abbey. The nearest railway station, Romsey, is located to the south-west, close to the town centre.



## Further Information

The Community Team at Test Valley Borough Council provide support to local councillors and communities. They are also able to signpost local organisations to grant funding and other resources that may be available. To contact them, please email:

[communityteam@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:communityteam@testvalley.gov.uk)

The information in this profile has been prepared by Test Valley Borough Council's Policy Team. If you have any further queries or would like to talk to us about other information you would like to see, then please contact one of the Policy Team who will be happy to help:

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