

Black and Minority Ethnic population in Richmond upon Thames

Languages

130 languages spoken in the borough - language needs seem to be constantly changing.

According to number of requests for Hounslow Interpretation & Translation service in Richmond upon Thames (April 2007 - March 2008):

1. Mandarin
2. Farsi
3. Punjabi
4. Tigrinya
5. Arabic & Kurdish

Demographics (2001):

<i>Ethnicity</i>	<i>%</i>
White - British	79%
Black and Minority Ethnic	21 %
White - other	9.2 %
Irish	2.8%
Non-white groups	9%

Who is white other?

Wide range of people who self-identify as being white. In Richmond they are likely to be: Polish, Albanian, other Eastern European country, German, Latin American, Travellers (Travellers could also identify as Irish). Note: wide range of needs!

Who is non-white?

Biggest ethnic category is Asian or Asian British. Organised community groups in Richmond so far identified are: South-Asian, Vietnamese, Iranian, Afghani, Somali, Albanian, Chinese and refugee groups run by Refugee Action Kingston.

Where do the BME communities live (2001)?

1. Heathfield (16.2%¹)
2. Whitton (13.6 %)
3. West Twickenham (10.9 %)

Children and young people (2006):

¹ Please note these percentages are according to the non-white definition of BME!

Black and minority ethnic - incl. White - Other category:

29.7% primary school
28.1% secondary school

Non-white:

17.5% primary school
21.1 % secondary school

Elderly people (2001):

60-74: 5%
75 and over: 2%

Based on Census (2001):

