

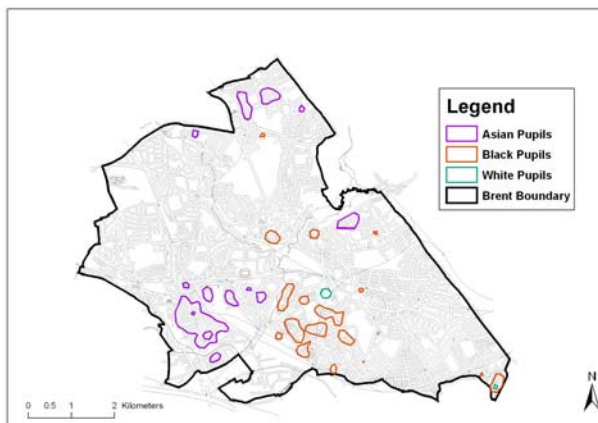


## Analysis of school population by ethnicity- Brent LA

*Tailoring services to local needs*

### Aims

Brent is undertaking a comprehensive needs assessment of children and adolescents. This needs assessment included an in depth analysis of children and ethnicity according to household circumstances. Such information is helpful for understanding the relative position of different groups, including minorities, in the community and assessing their educational and other needs. By mapping the results it is possible to determine where the use of scarce resources may be expected to make the biggest impact.



*Density map showing population of black, white and Asian children in concentrations of >1000 per sq km*

### What we did

In partnership with educational services in Brent LA and Brent PCT, we linked data from the school pupil register to the Local Property Gazetteer. We created tables such as that shown below setting out and quantifying the circumstances of each major sub-group in the Brent school aged population. Using a geographical information system, we then created maps such as that shown above detailing areas of potential need or highlighting specific sub-populations. Whilst Brent has a very mixed and diverse population, this map shows that black and Asian groups that tend to be more concentrated than the white population.

Ethnic group	Population		% of which living in households receiving benefits		% of which living in living in social housing		% of which living in a single adult household		of which % on housing waiting list	
	5-11	12-16	5-11	12-16	5-11	12-16	5-11	12-16	5-11	12-16
Black Caribbean	2,136	1,167	44.9	23.1	52.5	29.3	42.4	22.5	1.9	1.3
Black Other	2,790	1,313	62.8	26.2	44.8	19.8	36.7	15.8	2.4	0.8
Asian	5,207	3,832	25.9	17.4	12.2	7.1	7.9	4.2	0.6	0.5
White	3,417	1,622	36.8	19.5	28.7	15.7	21.7	11.2	1.2	0.4
Mixed	1,195	362	41.9	12.1	34.1	12.5	29.2	9.4	1.6	0.4
Other	848	425	58.0	27.6	19.5	9.7	11.7	6.1	2.4	1.2
Unknown	90	119	46.7	26.7	42.2	20.0	32.2	24.4	0.0	0.0
total	15,683	8,840	6,353	3,200	4,597	2,331	3,557	1,709	222	106

*Table showing the household circumstances of school aged children attending state schools in Brent*

### Outputs

The information provided in this project is part of a wider Children's needs assessment that was undertaken following the Children Act in 2004. The Act provides a legislative spine for the wider strategy for improving children's lives and covers the universal services which every child accesses, and more targeted services for those with additional needs. The aim is to encourage integrated planning, commissioning and delivery of services as well as improve multi-disciplinary working, and the coordination of individual and joint inspections in local authorities.