

Broxbourne

- The **population** of Broxbourne was 86,000 in 2004, which represented 8.3% of the Hertfordshire total. Population is expected to grow by 1.1% pa between 2004 and 2011, a slower rate than all other Hertfordshire Local Authorities except Stevenage and Watford. As in the county as a whole, the largest percentage increase is expected to be seen in the oldest group (85 and over). Though strong growth is expected at the bottom end of the workforce (20-24), a more concerning trend is the anticipated decrease in workers aged between 25 and 44.

POPULATION DISTRIBUTION IN BROXBOURNE, 2004						
Age band	Male	Female	Total	Age band share of total	Growth 2004-2011	
					Levels	%
0-4	2719	2406	5125	5.9	-36	-0.7
5-15	6247	6145	12393	14.4	-806	-6.5
16-19	2253	2155	4407	5.1	171	3.9
20-24	2381	2325	4706	5.5	801	17.0
25-34	5481	5725	11206	13.0	-890	-7.9
35-44	6631	7094	13725	15.9	-1388	-10.1
45-59	8200	8606	16806	19.5	803	4.8
60-64	2119	2219	4337	5.0	729	16.8
65-74	3581	4000	7581	8.8	390	5.1
75-84	1819	2787	4606	5.3	792	17.2
85+	400	894	1294	1.5	395	30.5
Total	41831	44356	86187	100.0	960	1.1

Source: Experian, National Statistics

- Broxbourne accounts for 7% of **GVA** in Hertfordshire. The district has outperformed the county over the past decade but this trend will not continue. Average growth of 3.1% pa is forecast for the period 2005-11, compared with 3.2% for Hertfordshire. This means that the district slips from second to seventh in the district rankings. Financial & Business Services (6.3% pa) is expected to drive growth, but the expansion in Transport & Communications (3.9% pa) is expected to slow. The industrial structure of the district is markedly different from the county as a whole, with much lower representation in Other (Mainly Public) Services and Financial & Business Services, but larger Manufacturing, Construction and Distribution, Hotels & Catering sectors.

GVA IN BROXBOURNE, 2005					
Sector	GVA (£m ¹)	% of Total GVA		Growth (%pa)	
		Broxbourne	Hertfordshire	1995-2005	2005-2011
Agriculture	6	0.4	0.5	-6.8	-7.3
Mining & quarrying	15	1.0	1.4	-4.9	2.6
Manufacturing	251	16.0	13.1	1.3	1.0
Construction	163	10.4	7.3	8.6	3.4
Distribution, hotels & catering	361	23.0	19.1	5.6	2.6
Transport & communications	137	8.8	9.1	8.5	3.9
Financial & business services	328	20.9	26.1	7.3	6.3
Other (mainly public) services	181	11.5	17.0	2.8	2.6
Total	1567	100.0	100.0	4.5	3.1

Note: ¹ Chained volume measure, reference year 2002

Source: Experian, National Statistics

- **Employment** growth averaging 0.6% pa in Broxbourne between 2005-11 also lags the county average (0.7% pa). District employment growth is expected to be dominated by Financial & Business Services (3.0% pa). However, Distribution, Hotels & Catering, by far the largest sector in terms of employment, will see the number of jobs contract modestly over the coming six years, having driven employment growth over the previous decade.

EMPLOYMENT IN BROXBOURNE, 2005					
Sector	Employment (000s)	% of Total Employment		Growth (%pa)	
		Broxbourne	Hertfordshire	1995-2005	2005-2011
Agriculture	0.2	0.5	0.6	-7.5	-8.8
Mining & quarrying	0.1	0.3	0.4	-7.0	-3.0
Manufacturing	4.6	11.3	9.5	-2.2	-2.6
Construction	4.3	10.6	7.6	7.2	1.7
Distribution, hotels & catering	13.4	33.4	26.0	4.1	-0.2
Transport & communications	2.6	6.5	6.1	3.8	0.1
Financial & business services	7.8	19.4	24.9	3.8	3.0
Other (mainly public) services	7.1	17.7	24.6	1.9	1.1
Total	40.2	100.0	100.0	2.7	0.6

Source: Experian, National Statistics

- The claimant **unemployment** count for Broxbourne in 2006q2 was 1,022, a rate of 1.9%. This was above the county average (1.6%), but below the regional rate of 2.4%. The claimant count rate has increased in each year since 2001 and we expect this trend to continue until it peaks at 2.4% in 2007-8.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN BROXBOURNE												
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Male	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7
Female	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3
Persons	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0
Rate	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.0

Notes: Claimant count levels in thousands. Claimant count rate is a percentage of the working age population

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