

Herefordshire Key Housing Facts as at 30th Sept 2010

General Information:

Area Covered:	217,973 hectares	Population (mid 2009)	179,100		
Major Towns: (mid 2008 figures)	Hereford:	55,700			
	Leominster:	11,100			
	Ross-on-Wye:	10,100			
	Ledbury:	9,900			
	Bromyard:	4,700			
	Kington:	3,200			
No. of Households:	79,000	No. of Wards:	40	No. of Parishes: 241	
No. of People: (mid 2009)	0-14 28,800	15-24 19,100	25-59 78,600	60-74 34,000	75+ 18,600
Dwellings: 81,400 of which 1,652 empty			of which 832 empty more than 6 months		

Tenure:

	Private Rent	Owner Occupied	Social Rented / SO
Total Number (2001) :	9,794	52,568	11,920
House Condition – no. with Category 1 hazards: (2005)	1,500	5,430	620
	Rental	Low Cost Market	Shared Ownership
Total No. of Affordable Housing Stock in County as at 30/9/09	11,226	7	497
Total No. of New Affordable Housing 2010/11	36	0	0

Affordability:

Median house price (Apr – Jun 2010):	£195,000	
Median earnings (April 2009):	£19,986	
Average Housing Assoc. Rental:	1 bed £58-£67 2 bed £65-£75 3 bed £73-83 4 bed £78-94	
Affordability levels to Purchase:	Purchase	Rent in Private Sector
Single earner 1 bed	£78,000	£96 per week
Dual earner 2 bed	£97,000	£144 per week
Dual earner 3 bed	£109,000	£144 per week

Housing Need:

Top 5 towns:	Avg bids/property	HN Surveys: Top 5 Villages	Aff. Need
Hereford City	51	Ewyas Harold + surrounds	51
Ross-on-Wye	29	Clehonger + surrounds	36
Leominster	18	Colwall + surrounds	32
Ledbury	16	Bartestree, Lugwardine + surr.	31
Kington	11	Whitbourne + surrounds	30
Gypsies & Travellers:	83 additional pitches needed 2007 to 2012 + a further 26 to 2017		

Home Point:

No. on Housing Register:	4,983			
Of which:	Priority 105	Gold 837	Silver 2,143	Bronze 1,898
		1 bed	2 bed	3 bed
No. of properties required:		2,719	1,412	852
No. of rental properties allocated during Jul-Sep 2010		85	91	40
Average No. of bids per property during Jul-Sep 2010		37	31	34
No. of shared ownership advertised during Jul-Sep 2010		0	0	1
No. of low cost market advertised during Jul-Sep 2010		0	0	0
Applicants registered overcrowded at 30 Sep 2010	781			
Average No. of properties advertised per week:		7	7	3
Average No. of bids received by Home Point per week:		239	220	106
Properties advertised by key areas:				
City and market towns (qtr to 30/9/10)		Villages with most properties advertised (year to Apr 10)		
Hereford City	92	Cradley & Woolhope each had	11 properties advertised	
Leominster	22	Colwall & Credenhill each had	10 properties advertised	
Ross-on-Wye	18	Clehonger & Weobley each had	9 properties advertised	
Ledbury	18	Kingstone, Peterchurch & Weston-under-Penyard each had	8 properties advertised	
Bromyard	17			
Kington	16			

Homelessness Statistics (for 1/4/10 to 30/6/10):

No. of applications received 73	No. of Acceptances 36	No. of intentional Decisions 9	
	Total	Families with children	Other
No. currently in B&B accommodation	8	1	7
No. currently in Hostel accommodation:	0	0	0
No. currently in other temp accommodation:	59	44	15
Main reason for homelessness in last quarter: Parents no longer willing to accommodate			

Overall Affordable Housing Needs:

Population Forecasts:	325 units per year 2006 to 2011 then 229 per year 2011 to 2026
Home Point:	780 units per year 2008 to 2013
Outside Consultancy:	1113 units per year 2006 to 2026

Related Information:

	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed
Local Housing Allowance (per week Sep 2010):	94.36	120.82	143.84	172.60
	Herefordshire		West Midlands	England
Ratios of lower quartile house price to lower quartile earnings 2009:	8.49		5.82	6.28