

Equalities Monitoring – Services

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Forestcare Lifelines

Please note that in one household there may be two people assigned to a unit and so the total number of clients varies over the following data.

1. Sex

Sex	Number	Percentage
Male	1654	38%
Female	2691	62%
Total	4345	100%

2. Disability

Of the households that completed the equalities forms, 1,382 stated they have at least one resident with a disability. However, because of the nature of the service and the age of the customer base it would be expected that a large number would have a disability.

3. Race

Race	Forestcare	Forestcare %	Bracknell Forest population %
White	1788	98.5%	91.8%
Mixed	4	0.2%	1.3%
Asian	5	0.3%	4.7%
Black	19	1.0%	1.8%
Other	1	0.1%	0.4%
<i>Sub-Total</i>	<i>1906</i>	~	~
Not Known	54	~	~
Refused	5	~	~
TOTAL	1965	~	~

The higher percentage of white compared to the population is reflective of the age group of Forestcare customers being older, in which there is a much higher percentage of white (97% of people aged 65+ identify as White).

4. Religion

Religion	Forestcare	Forestcare %	Bracknell Forest population %
Christian	1343	83.2%	64.8%
Buddhist	3	0.2%	0.8%
Hindu	9	0.6%	1.7%
Jewish	4	0.3%	0.2%
Sikh	1	0.1%	0.4%
Muslim	5	0.3%	1.2%
Other	0	0%	0.5%
None	249	15.4%	30.4%
Sub-Total	1614	~	~
Not answered	29	~	~
Total	1643	~	~

Again, the higher percentage of Christian and stated religions compared to the population is reflective of the age group of Forestcare customers being older, and in which older generations have greater affiliation to Christianity. "More people aged 50 and over considered themselves to be Christian than in the overall population of England and Wales, 82.9% compared with 71.7%." ONS Focus on Older People 2005 publication.

5: Sexual Orientation

Sexual Orientation	Forestcare	Forestcare %
Heterosexual	1615	96.0%
Bisexual	1	0.1%
Gay	5	0.3%
Lesbian	4	0.2%
Other	0	0%
Refused	58	3.5%
Total	1683	~

Conclusion

The next equalities monitoring report will be for the period 2019-20.