

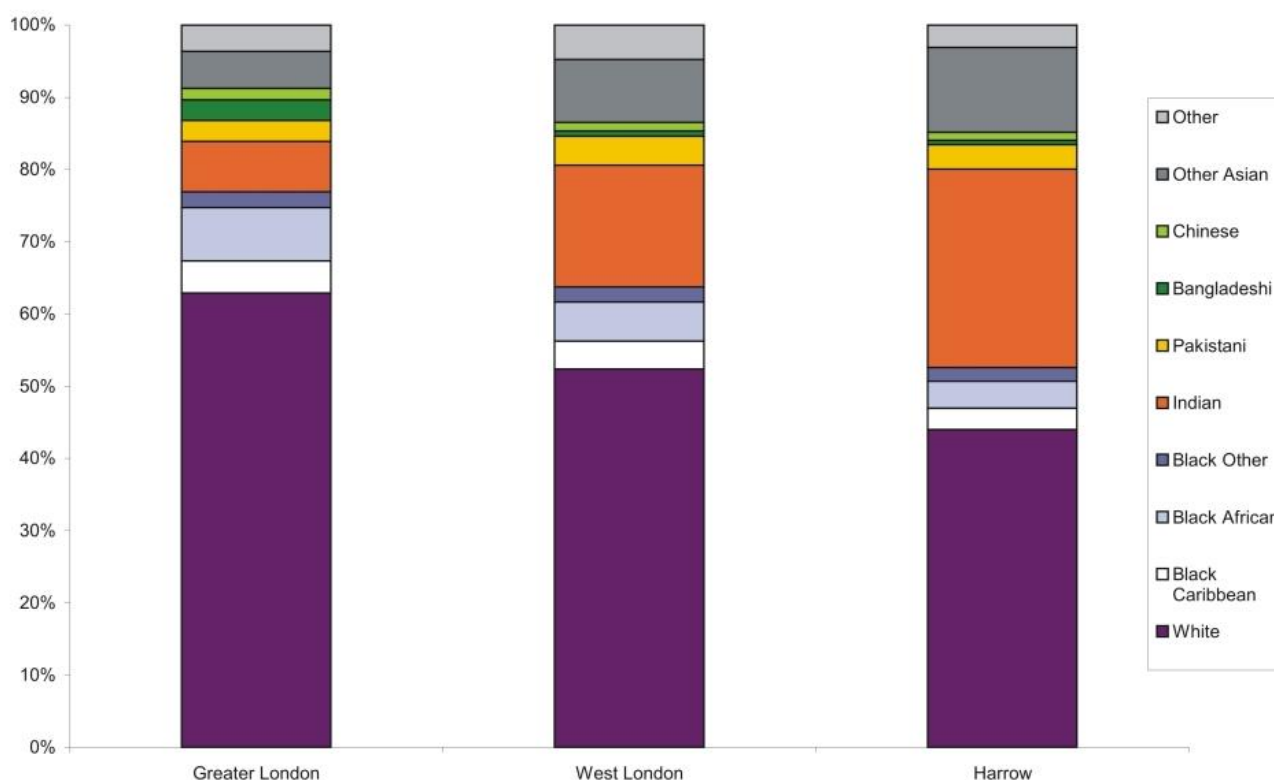
could be aged 85 and over by 2041, almost double the current 2018 estimate of around 5,600 people (2.2%). At the opposite end of the age spectrum, the borough is currently experiencing a growth in the under 15 age group, with under 15s comprising 19.9% of the total population (49,900) in 2018. It is predicted that numbers in this age range will peak in 2022 then decline, so that by 2041 numbers of under 15s will have fallen to 46,800, comprising 17% of the total population of Harrow. Source: ONS 2016-based SNPPs.

Ethnic Diversity

4.14 Harrow has one of the most ethnically diverse populations in the country. The 2011 Census showed that 69.1% of Harrow's residents were of ethnic minority, where ethnic minority is defined as all people who are non-White British. Based on this definition, Harrow was ranked fourth highest for the proportion of residents from minority ethnic groups nationally, compared to a ranking of eighth in 2001. The Greater London Authority's (GLA) 2011 Census Ethnic Diversity Indices (based on the 18 ethnic group classification) ranked Harrow seventh nationally for ethnic diversity. Diversity indices measure the number of different/distinct groups present in the population and the sizes of these groups relative to each other.

4.15 Harrow's largest minority ethnic group is the Indian group and the 2011 Census results showed that 26% of Harrow's population was of Indian origin. Harrow's population is more diverse than West London's and London overall with 69.1% from minority ethnic groups, in comparison to 64.3% in West London and 53.7% in London (Population by Ethnic Group, 2011).

Figure 4.4: Population by Ethnic Group, 2011



Source: 2011 Census, Table KS201EW, ONS

4.16 The GLA's 2016-based Ethnic Group Projections (Trend-based, Central scenario) models how Harrow's population composition may change to 2050. The population of Indian origin will remain the largest ethnic group and is likely to make up one third of Harrow's population by 2050. The White British population is forecast to decline to around 20% by 2025 and 16% by 2050, although will still remain the second largest group within the borough. Other White and Other Asian groups will continue to increase in number and by 2050 will be only slightly lower than the White British percentage. Most other ethnic origins will see a small steady increase, with the exception of Black African, Black Caribbean and

