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Information on latest house prices in the Royal Borough



http://www.rightmove.co.uk/house-prices-in-Kensington-And-Chelsea.html

Every month Rightmove, the UK's biggest property portal, releases their house price index, detailing the average asking price for London property. Rightmove have found that Kensington and Chelsea remains the most expensive London borough to move to with average prices being well over £2,000,000. This is an increase of 10.8% on last year. Over the last year Camden has had the biggest increase in price with house prices rising by 16.4% from £796,000 to £926,000 making it the third most expensive London borough to buy property in.

Table | Average London Property Prices

	Avg. Price	Avg. Price	Monthly	Avg. Price	Annual
Borough	July 2012	June 2012	Change	July 2011	Change
Kensington and Chelsea	£2,031,000	£2,140,000	-5.1%	£1,833,000	10.8%
City of Westminister	£1,331,000	£1,401,000	-5.0%	£1,327,000	0.3%
Camden	£926,000	£955,000	-3.0%	£796,000	16.4%
Hammersmith and Fulham	£868,000	£912,000	-4.9%	£780,000	11.2%
Richmond-upon- Thames	£685,000	£701,000	-2.2	£607,000	13.0%
Kingston-upon- Thames	£665,000	£706,000	-5.8%	£613,000	8.4%
Wandsworth	£655,000	£687,000	-4.7%	£587,000	11.6%
Islington	£645,000	£664,000	-2.7%	£594,000	8.6%
Brent	£622,000	£682,000	-8.9%	£622,000	-0.1%
Barnet	£566,000	£567,000	-1.9%	£505,000	10.2%
Haringey	£539,000	£553,000	-2.6%	£470,000	14.7%
Hackney	£535,000	£532,000	0.6%	£484,000	10.6%
Hounslow	£524,000	£528,000	-0.8%	£492,000	6.4%
Merton	£469,000	£472,000	-0.8%	£420,000	11.7%
Ealing	£465,000	£466,000	-0.2%	£419,000	11.1%
Lambeth	£464,000	£475,000	-2.5%	£419,000	10.7%
Tower Hamlets	£450,000	£451,000	-0.3%	£404,000	11.6%
Southwark	£431,000	£446,000	-3.4%	£401,000	7.7%
Lewisham	£362,000	£370,000	-2.3%	£338,000	7.0%
Hillingdon	£355,000	£364,000	-2.5%	£344,000	3.2%
Bromley	£349,000	£359,000	-2.8%	£340,000	2.8%
Enfield	£346,000	£348,000	-0.6%	£326,000	6.3%

Harrow	£342,000	£345,000	-0.9%	£327,000	4.5%
Sutton	£333,000	£351,000	-4.9%	£328,000	1.6%
Greenwich	£294,000	£293,000	0.4%	£277,000	6.0%
Waltham Forest	£291,000	£297,000	-2.0%	£291,000	0.3%
Redbridge	£289,000	£293,000	-1.4%	£284,000	1.9%
Croydon	£288,000	£288,000	-0.2%	£264,000	9.0%
Havering	£258,000	£265,000	-2.3%	£251,000	2.8%
Newham	£240,000	£244,000	-1.7%	£238,000	0.9%
Bexley	£220,000	£221,000	-2.4%	£211,000	4.2%
Barking and Dagenham	£217,000	£221,000	-2.1%	£213,000	1.8%

Table | Five London Boroughs who have seen the biggest monthly increase

London's Top 5 Avg. Price June 2012 Avg. Price May 2012 Monthly Change

Hackney	£535,000	£532,000	0.6%
Greenwich	£294,000	£293,000	0.4%
Croydon	£288,000	£288,000	0.0%
Ealing	£465,000	£466,000	-0.2%
Tower Hamlets	£450,000	£452,000	-0.3%

Table | Five London Boroughs who have seen the biggest monthly decrease

London's Bottom 5 Avg. Price June 2012 Avg. Price May 2012 Monthly Change

Sutton	£333,000	£351,000	-4.9%
City of Westminister	£1,331,000	£1,401,000	-5.0%
Kensington and Chelse	a£2,031,000	£2,140,000	-5.1%
Kingston-upon-Thames	s £665,000	£706,000	-5.8%
Brent	£622,000	£682,000	-8.9%

Land Registry House Price Index



October 2012

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Index	259.5
Average price	£161,605
Monthly change	-0.3%
Annual change	1.1%

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Land Registry House Price Index Headline statistics

The October data shows a negative monthly movement of 0.3 per cent.

The annual price change now stands at 1.1 per cent, bringing the average house price in England and Wales to £161,605.

The number of property transactions has decreased slightly over the last year. From May to August 2011 there was an average of 58,361 sales per month. In the same months a year later, the figure was 57,789.

Index ¹	259.5
Average price ²	£161,605
Monthly change	-0.3%
Annual change	1.1%

Negative monthly growth of 0.3 per cent in October takes the average house price in England and Wales to £161,605.

1 Seasonally adjusted House Price Index (HPI) with base period of January 1995=100

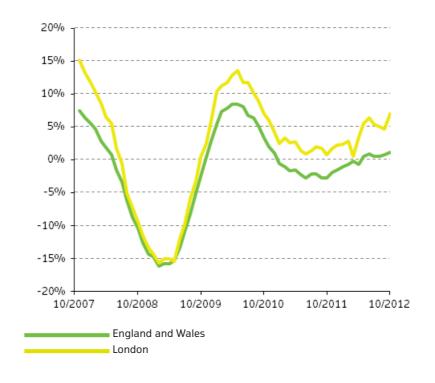
2 All average prices quoted in this report represent standardised seasonally adjusted prices

Land Registry House Price Index Average annual price change

The October data for London shows a positive monthly price change of 1.0 per cent.

At 7.0 per cent, the annual change for London is considerably higher than other regions. The average price of property in the capital is £364,574 in comparison with the average for England and Wales of £161,605.

Average annual change in residential property prices



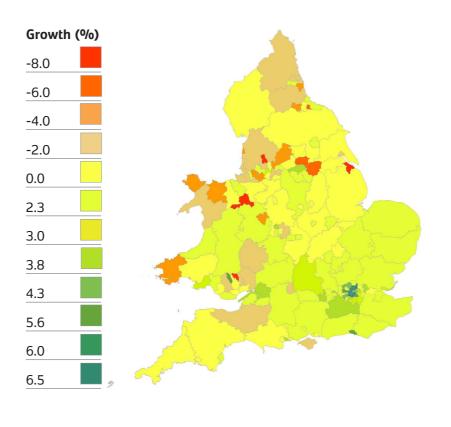
Average prices by property type (England and Wales)	October 2012	October 2011	Difference (%)
Detached	£254,378	£254,191	0.1
Semi-detached	£154,168	£151,879	1.5
Terraced	£121,678	£121,004	0.6
Flat/maisonette	£152,238	£148,121	2.8
All	£161,605	£159,857	1.1

Key regional observations

- The region with the most significant annual price change is London with an increase of 7.0 per cent.
- The region with the greatest annual price fall is the North East with a movement of -5.8 per cent.
- Wales experienced the greatest monthly price rise with a movement of 1.5 per cent.
- The North East also saw the most significant monthly price fall with a movement of -4.2 per cent.

Region	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)	Average price (£)
Wales	1.5	1.0	£118,215
West Midlands	1.1	0.1	£130,088
London	1.0	7.0	£364,574
East	0.8	2.2	£175,821
South West	0.0	0.9	£171,695
North West	-0.1	-1.2	£109,361
East Midlands	-0.1	-0.3	£122,716
South East	-0.3	1.4	£209,137
Yorkshire & The Humber	-0.4	-2.1	£116,365
North East	-4.2	-5.8	£96,061

Annual price change by county



Key county and unitary authority observations

- Greater London experienced the greatest annual price change in October with a movement of 7.0 per cent.
- Blaenau Gwent saw the greatest annual price fall with a movement of -13.5 per cent.

County/unitary authority	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)	Average price (£)
Bath and NE Somerset	-1.2	0.8	227,168
Bedford	0.7	0.0	155,196
Blackburn with Darwen	-2.3	-8.4	70,944
Blackpool	-3.4	-4.6	77,323
Blaenau Gwent	-3.4	-13.5	61,749
Bournemouth	0.6	3.3	172,775
Bracknell Forest	0.2	1.2	213,181
Bridgend	0.7	-1.8	114,459
Brighton and Hove	0.3	4.7	229,590
Buckinghamshire	0.0	1.2	260,350
Caerphilly	-0.4	-1.2	98,316
Cambridgeshire	0.3	1.4	180,313
Cardiff	0.6	-1.1	141,930
Carmarthenshire	3.4	-1.1	107,177
Central Bedfordshire	0.6	0.9	172,495
Ceredigion	0.0	0.4	161,013

Key county and unitary authority observations

- Carmarthenshire experienced the strongest monthly growth with an increase of 3.4 per cent.
- North East Lincolnshire saw the most significant monthly price fall with a movement of -4.1 per cent.
- Nine counties and unitary authorities exhibited no monthly price movement.

County/unitary authority	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)	Average price (£)
Cheshire East	-0.3	-1.3	148,726
Cheshire West and Chester	0.1	-0.6	151,133
City of Bristol	0.1	3.3	170,675
City of Derby	-0.1	-0.2	103,984
City of Kingston Upon Hull	-0.5	-2.1	67,994
City of Nottingham	0.1	-0.8	84,642
City of Peterborough	1.8	-0.2	106,855
City of Plymouth	0.0	-1.7	122,840
Conwy	1.6	-4.3	131,310
Cornwall	-0.3	-0.7	182,552
Cumbria	0.5	-1.7	123,090
Darlington	-2.7	-5.2	100,819
Denbighshire	-0.1	-1.7	115,803
Derbyshire	1.7	1.3	122,080
Devon	0.4	-0.5	189,525
Dorset	-0.3	-0.9	206,919
Durham	0.1	-2.8	85,344
East Riding of Yorkshire	-0.7	-0.3	131,011
East Sussex	-0.6	0.7	176,838
Essex	-0.1	0.7	188,274
Flintshire	2.6	0.5	127,451
Gloucestershire	0.0	0.9	172,798
Greater London	1.0	7.0	364,574
Greater Manchester	0.3	-1.1	104,285
Gwynedd	-3.4	-3.7	136,083
Halton	0.4	-3.1	97,117
Hampshire	0.3	1.6	209,846
Hartlepool	-3.2	2.2	81,649
Herefordshire	-0.3	-2.1	170,771
Hertfordshire	0.2	2.0	244,284
Isle of Anglesey	-0.6	-5.4	128,799
Isle of Wight	-0.2	-2.6	149,279
Kent	-0.1	1.1	182,224
Lancashire	-1.0	-2.8	106,531
Leicester	-0.2	1.7	113,957
Leicestershire	-0.3	-0.4	146,551
Lincolnshire	-0.2	-0.3	121,958

County/unitary authority	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)	Average price (£)
Luton	0.5	1.6	125,143
Medway	-0.6	1.8	135,932
Merseyside	-1.3	-3.8	104,087
Merthyr Tydfil	3.2	4.7	72,283
Middlesbrough	-3.6	-6.3	77,135
Milton Keynes	-0.4	1.7	152,938
Monmouthshire	2.3	-2.4	174,552
Neath Port Talbot	0.6	2.3	85,062
Newport	1.3	-0.5	114,136
Norfolk	-0.3	1.2	145,203
North East Lincolnshire	-4.1	-8.5	77,888
North Lincolnshire	-1.4	-1.7	101,531
North Somerset	-0.1	0.8	173,861
North Yorkshire	0.0	-0.8	169,507
Northamptonshire	0.0	0.0	134,680
Northumberland	0.5	-3.8	122,301
Nottinghamshire	-0.1	-0.1	120,066
Oxfordshire	0.2	2.9	244,286
Pembrokeshire	-1.8	-4.7	135,081
Poole	-0.6	-1.2	204,902
Portsmouth	-0.8	-1.0	141,363
Powys	-0.4	0.7	149,462
Reading	0.4	3.1	198,388
Redcar and Cleveland	-2.1	0.9	100,995
Rhondda Cynon Taff	0.3	-2.3	72,952
Rutland	-0.5	1.2	212,553
Shropshire	0.9	0.7	158,691
Slough	0.5	3.2	171,622
Somerset	-0.2	-3.2	160,349
South Gloucestershire	-0.3	3.1	177,920
South Yorkshire	0.8	0.0	103,456
Southampton	0.6	1.2	143,282
Southend-on-Sea	1.0	2.4	153,608
Staffordshire	-0.6	-1.8	130,781
Stockton-on-Tees	0.0	-1.9	111,627
Stoke-on-Trent	0.7	-0.7	69,465
Suffolk	0.1	0.3	153,286

County/unitary authority	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)	Average price (£)
Surrey	0.4	3.6	306,484
Swansea	1.9	2.9	112,345
Swindon	-0.2	-2.4	124,303
The Vale of Glamorgan	0.3	0.1	155,321
Thurrock	1.1	-0.3	144,805
Torbay	-0.2	0.1	145,203
Torfaen	-2.1	-2.9	103,406
Tyne and Wear	-0.3	-2.8	103,263
Warrington	0.4	-5.1	135,705
Warwickshire	0.5	-0.4	161,813
West Berkshire	0.1	2.3	228,947
West Midlands	-0.2	-1.0	114,215
West Sussex	0.1	1.9	211,204
West Yorkshire	-0.2	-3.0	110,027
Wiltshire	0.0	0.6	185,888
Windsor and Maidenhead	0.0	1.9	337,120
Wokingham	0.9	3.3	278,611
Worcestershire	0.7	0.7	164,819
Wrekin	-1.3	-5.4	121,062
Wrexham	-2.6	-9.6	109,261
York	-0.2	1.0	179,357

Land Registry House Price Index

Price change by metropolitan district

Key metropolitan district observations

- The metropolitan district with the largest annual price increase is Wolverhampton, rising by 3.5 per cent.
- Knowsley experienced the highest monthly price rise, with an increase of 2.0 per cent.
- Wakefield saw the most significant annual price fall with a movement of -6.5 per cent.
- Sefton saw the greatest monthly price fall with a movement of -2.6 per cent.

Metropolitan district	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)	Average price (£)
Barnsley	1.7	3.2	91,284
Birmingham	-0.8	-2.8	111,591
Bolton	-0.8	-3.8	90,794
Bradford	-0.4	-5.7	94,180
Bury	0.9	-1.1	108,009
Calderdale	-1.6	-4.5	94,914
Coventry	0.2	1.3	108,965
Doncaster	0.4	-6.1	92,995
Dudley	0.2	0.6	118,713
Gateshead	1.3	0.4	95,456
Kirklees	0.6	-1.8	111,932
Knowsley	2.0	1.7	106,770
Leeds	-0.1	-0.5	126,178
Liverpool	-2.3	-3.6	91,194
Manchester	0.5	-2.2	91,912
Newcastle upon Tyne	-1.4	-2.7	114,034
North Tyneside		-2.4	117,046
Oldham	-0.8	0.2	81,425
Rochdale	-0.7	-5.0	91,360
Rotherham	0.7	0.6	99,332
Salford	1.7	2.6	91,404
Sandwell	0.2	-1.8	93,706
Sefton	-2.6	-2.6	118,419
Sheffield	0.7	1.5	116,393
Solihull	0.3	1.3	193,330
South Tyneside	-0.1	-2.5	97,996
St Helens	-0.6	-5.9	94,139
Stockport	1.2	-0.8	141,959
Sunderland	1.3	-5.3	87,823
Tameside	0.3	-2.6	93,655
Trafford	-0.3	-0.3	182,338
Wakefield	0.4	-6.5	105,367
Walsall	-2.2	-3.7	103,997
Wigan	1.0	0.1	93,058
Wirral	-0.2	-3.9	112,579
Wolverhampton	1.7	3.5	101,524

Land Registry House Price Index Price change by London borough

Key London borough observations

- The borough with the highest annual price rise is Kensington and Chelsea, with a movement of 15.9 per cent.
- Barking and Dagenham experienced the highest monthly increase, with a movement of 1.9 per cent.
- Redbridge saw the greatest annual price fall, with a movement of -0.1 per cent.
- City of Westminster
 experienced a movement of
 -1.6 per cent, making it the
 borough with the greatest
 monthly price fall.

London borough	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)	Average price (£)
Barking and Dagenham	1.9	1.6	214,786
Barnet	0.0	4.1	367,338
Bexley	-1.3	0.9	227,517
Brent	-1.0	1.5	328,035
Bromley	0.2	2.7	297,512
Camden	0.6	8.1	625,249
City of London	_n/a	n/a	n/a
City of Westminster	-1.6	14.6	786,565
Croydon	0.3	3.0	248,178
Ealing	-0.2	5.1	341,823
Enfield	-0.3	0.2	260,846
Greenwich	0.6	2.6	271,786
Hackney	0.8	9.4	426,402
Hammersmith and Fulham	0.3	10.0	577,631
Haringey	1.0	8.7	373,931
Harrow	0.1	4.0	306,992
Havering	1.0	3.2	261,255
Hillingdon	0.8	2.1	269,308
Hounslow	-0.1	1.6	289,737
Islington	0.5	9.0	499,845
Kensington and Chelsea	0.7	15.9	1,094,203
Kingston upon Thames	0.6	1.9	323,952
Lambeth	0.1	6.8	372,472
Lewisham	-0.2	4.4	279,542
Merton	-0.1	3.7	349,359
Newham	0.3	3.8	232,484
Redbridge	1.4	-0.1	294,672
Richmond upon Thames	-0.1	4.1	472,852
Southwark	0.2	7.0	394,723
Sutton	0.2	2.7	249,788
Tower Hamlets	1.1	3.9	363,897
Waltham Forest	-0.2	6.2	254,080
Wandsworth	0.5	8.6	425,926

Land Registry House Price Index Sales volumes

Sales volumes

- In the months May to August 2012, sales volumes averaged 57,789 transactions per month. This is a decrease from the same period a year earlier, when sales volumes averaged 58,361 per month.
- Over the past twenty nine months transaction volumes have been relatively consistent.

Price index volatility is greater in areas where recorded sales volumes are low. Index volatility leads to erratic and high changes in reported price.

Some of the areas that typically have very low transaction volumes include, but are not limited to, the following:

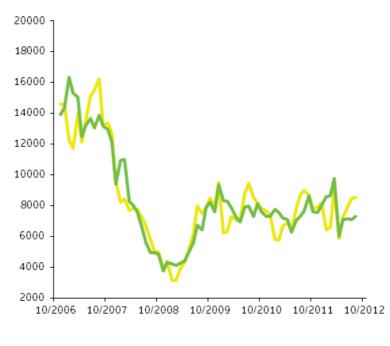
- City of London
- Rutland
- Isle of Anglesey
- Merthyr Tydfil
- Blaenau Gwent
- Ceredigion
- Torfaen.

Because sales volume figures for the two most recent months are not yet complete, they are not included in the report.

Recorded monthly sales - England and Wales



Recorded monthly sales - London



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Land Registry House Price Index Sales volumes

Sales volumes by price range (England and Wales)

 The number of properties sold in England and Wales for over £1 million in August 2012 increased by 12 per cent to 843 from 753 in August 2011.

Price range (£)	August 2012	August 2011	Difference
Under 50,000	794	998	-20%
50,001 - 100,000	7,711	8,338	-8%
100,001 – 150,000	13,332	14,273	-7%
150,001 – 200,000	12,330	12,719	-3%
200,001 – 250,000	10,224	10,443	-2%
250,001 – 300,000	4,278	4,180	2%
300,001 – 400,000	6,150	6,056	2%
400,001 – 500,000	3,238	3,169	2%
500,001 - 600,000	1,256	1,288	-2%
600,001 - 800,000	1,460	1,496	-2%
800,001 - 1,000,000	675	704	-4%
1,000,001 - 1,500,000	506	441	15%
1,500,001 – 2,000,000	182	150	21%
Over 2,000,000	155	162	-4%
Total	62,291	64,417	-3%

Sales volumes by price range (London)

 The number of properties sold in London for over £1 million in August 2012 increased by 10 per cent to 527 from 479 in August 2011.

Price range (£)	August 2012	August 2011	Difference
<u>Under 50,000</u>	-	_	n/a
50,001 – 100,000	50	82	-39%
100,001 – 150,000	382	464	-18%
150,001 – 200,000	955	1,075	<u>-11%</u>
200,001 – 250,000	1,629	1,887	<u>-14%</u>
250,001 – 300,000	942	926	2%
300,001 – 400,000	1,665	1,618	3%
400,001 – 500,000	1,068	1,015	5%
500,001 - 600,000	466	452	3%
600,001 - 800,000	542	624	-13%
800,001 - 1,000,000	308	346	-11%
1,000,001 - 1,500,000	288	255	13%
1,500,001 – 2,000,000	125	104	20%
Over 2,000,000	114	120	-5%
Total	8,534	8,968	_5%

Land Registry House Price Index Notes

The November House Price Index (HPI) will be published at www.landregistry.gov.uk at 11:00 hours on 2 January 2013.

The HPI is produced using the Repeat Sales Regression (RSR) method. Under the RSR method, house price growth is measured by observing houses which have been sold more than once. By using repeat transactions, differences in the quality of homes comprised in any monthly sample are greatly reduced – thereby ensuring an 'apples to apples' comparison. The HPI uses Land Registry's own price paid dataset. This is a record of all residential property transactions made in England and Wales since January 1995. At present it contains details on approximately 16 million sales. Of these, approximately six million are identifiable matched pairs, providing the basis for the repeat-sales regression analysis used to compile the index.

The standardised average house prices presented by Land Registry are calculated by taking the geometric mean price in April 2000 and moving this in accordance with index changes both back to 1995 and forward to the present day. Classical seasonal decomposition (Census Method 1) is used to isolate the effects of seasonal trends in volume and index analysis.

Monthly and annual percentage changes displayed for counties, unitary authorities, metropolitan district councils and London boroughs represent rolling four-monthly averages of the price changes over one month and 12 months respectively. All price changes represent seasonally adjusted movements. Historical data published as part of the HPI is revised each month as missing and new data becomes available.

The statistical computation of the HPI is performed for Land Registry by Calnea Analytics. Related academic documentation can be found at www.calnea.com

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