

## 2001 CENSUS

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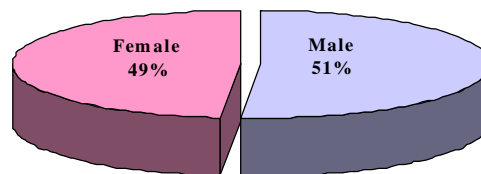


In the 2001 Census Christian Malford had a population of 701 and covered an area of 1,087 hectares giving a population density of approximately 0.65 of a person per hectare.

### RESIDENTS OF CHRISTIAN MALFORD – GENERAL DATA

Of the 701 residents 360 are male and 341 are female (Figure 1).

The 701 residents live in 259 dwellings; the average household size of 2.75.



**Figure 1: Population Breakdown**

Within Christian Malford: 681 persons were born in the UK, a further 8 were born in other European Union Countries [Note: that the EU has expanded between 1991 and 2001] and 12 persons were born elsewhere (Figure 2).

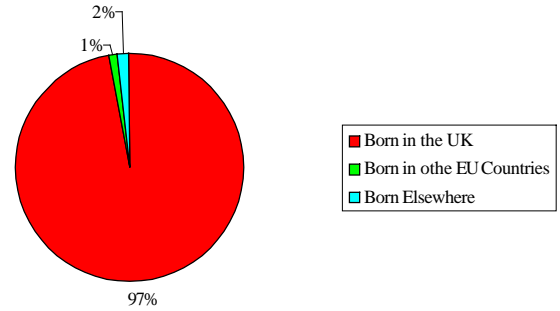
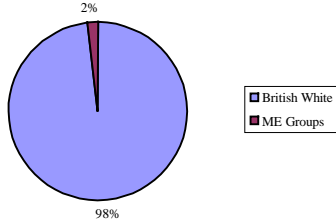


Figure 2: Residents Place of Birth



681 of the residents of Christian Malford come from British white groups (Figure 3).

Figure 3: Ethnic Breakdown

The breakdown of Christian Malford's population by age group in the 2001 Census is shown both numerically (Table 1) and graphically (Figure 4):

All people	0 to 4	5 to 7	8 to 9	10 to 14	14 to 15	16 to 17	18 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 44	45 to 59	60 to 64	65 to 74	75 to 84	85 to 89	90 and over
701	52	27	24	50	6	12	13	23	21	161	169	48	57	35	0	3
%	7.4	3.9	3.4	7.2	0.9	1.7	1.9	3.3	3.0	23.1	24.2	6.9	8.2	5.0	0.0	0.4

Table 1: Breakdown by Age Groups

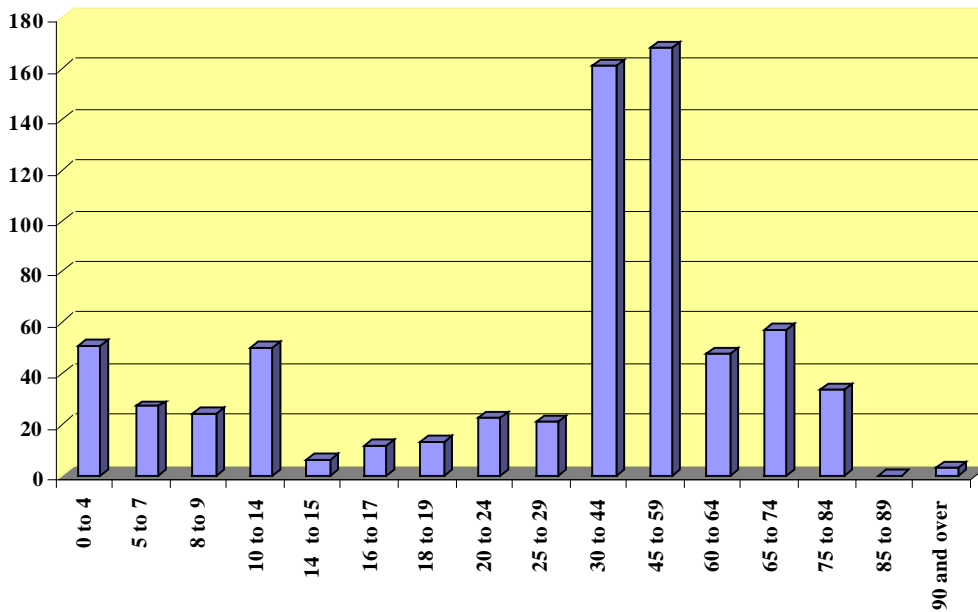
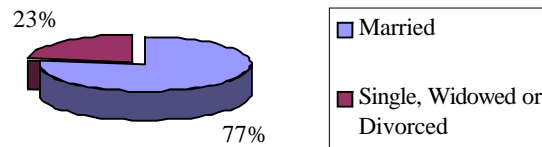
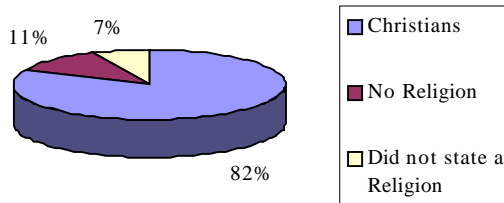


Figure 4: Breakdown by Age Group

Of the population 544 persons are aged 16 or over; of these 419 are married and the balance of 125 are either single, widowed or divorced (Figure 5).



**Figure 5: Proportion of Married Persons**



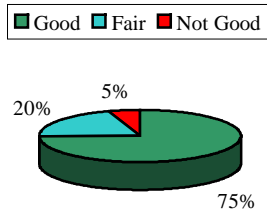
**Figure 6: Religion**

The question about religion in the 2001 Census was voluntary. 49 people did not state a religion, 77 stated that they had no religion and 570 declared themselves as Christians (Figure 6).

**Comment:**

- 1 The population of Christian Malford is almost exclusively from a white ethnic background born within the United Kingdom. The residents are evenly split between male and female with 77% of those over the age of 16 being married.
- 2 The majority of the population is aged between 30 and 60. There are two worrying trends in the demographic breakdown of the community in Christian Malford:
  - a There is a 'generation' gap between the ages of 20 to 30. A possible cause of this being a lack of affordable housing within the Village coupled with the requirement to travel to work made more difficult by a poor public transport.
  - b Although the Primary School is thriving at the moment; it could be at risk as the current pupils move on to secondary education if there is not an influx of families with young children. This would require a large turnover in population; however, the lack of affordable housing makes this unlikely.
- 3 With 82% of the population declaring themselves as 'Christian' the regular attendance at Church is about 5% of the population; this figure is considerably higher at special services. The Village is extremely generous when it comes to supporting the 'fabric' of the Church

**HEALTH & HEALTH CARE**



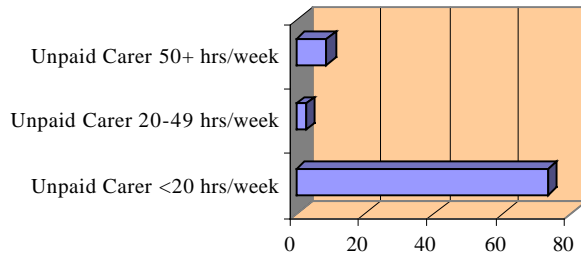
**Figure 7: State of Population Health**

523 inhabitants of Christian Malford described their health as good; with a further 143 describing their health as fairly good. There were 35 that described their state of health as being not good (Figure: 7).

Out of the total population 94 (13%) described themselves as having a limiting long-term illness.

Within Christian Malford 85 people act as carers (12% of the total population) provide unpaid care.

Of these 73 provide unpaid care for less than 20 hours per week; whereas, 3 provide unpaid care for between 20 and 49 hours a week and 9 provide unpaid care in excess of 50 hours a week (Figure: 8).



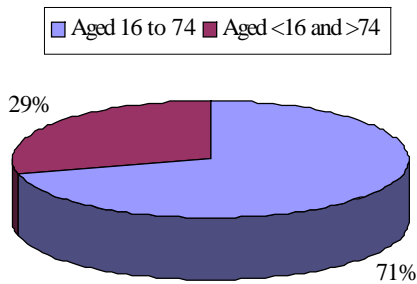
**Figure 8: Carers – Hours Worked**

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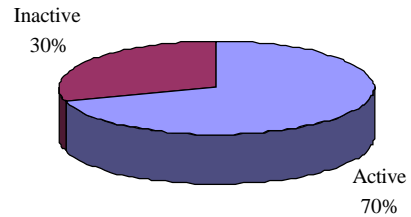
- 1 35 (5%) individuals in Christian Malford describe their health as not being good. When you look at employment 12 people declared themselves as being permanently sick or disabled. This raises the concern over access to medical care with the nearest doctor’s surgery in Sutton Benger and A&E unit in Chippenham.
- 2 85 (12%) persons in Christian Malford provide ‘unpaid’ care. 12 of these provide ‘unpaid’ care in excess of 20 hrs a week with 9 providing ‘unpaid’ care in excess of 50 hrs a week.
- 3 The high level of limiting illness and care provision within our small community must have implications as we live in a relatively isolated rural area some distance away from the support services.

**ECONOMIC STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 16 TO 74**

Within Christian Malford 498 individual are aged between 16 and 74 (Figure 9). Of these 350, or 50% of the population, are economically active (Figure 10).

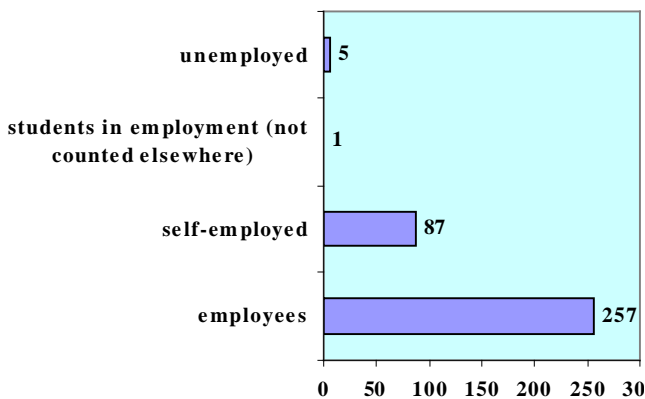


**Figure 9: 16 to 74 year olds as a proportion of the population.**

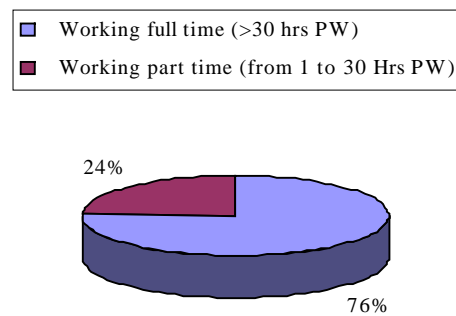


**Figure 10: The proportion of 16 to 74 year olds that are economically active**

Of the 350 economically active persons: 257 are employees, 87 are self-employed, one is a student and 5 are unemployed (Figure 11). Out of the total working population; 261 work more than 30 hours per week with 84 working less than 30 hours per week (Figure 12).

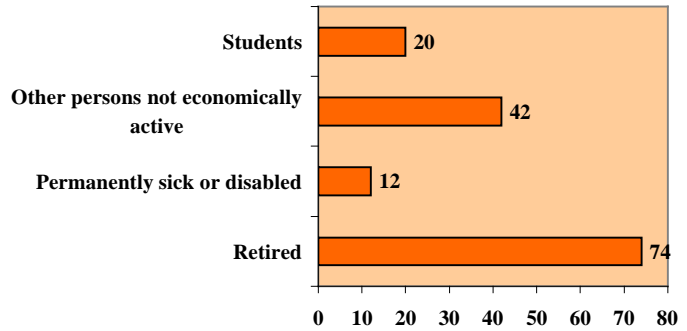


**Figure 11: Breakdown of those economically active**



**Figure 12: Proportion of 'workers' in Full or Part-time employment**

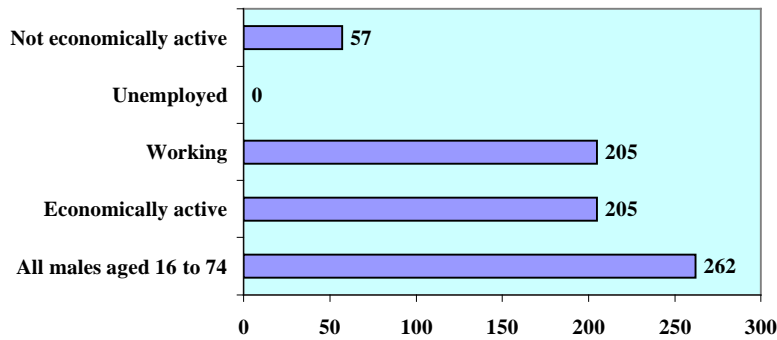
Of 148 economically inactive persons: 74 are retired, 12 are permanently sick or disabled with 62 other persons not economically active which includes 20 students (Figure 13).



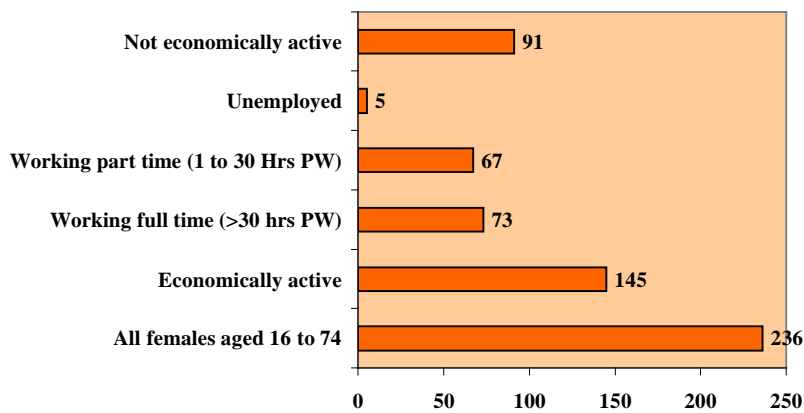
**Figure 13: Economically inactive aged 16 to 74 years old**

Of the people working between the ages of 16 and 74; 162 (47%) have a degree or equivalent qualification.

The breakdown of economic status between the 260 men (Figure 14) and 236 women (Figure 15) aged between 16 to 74 is:

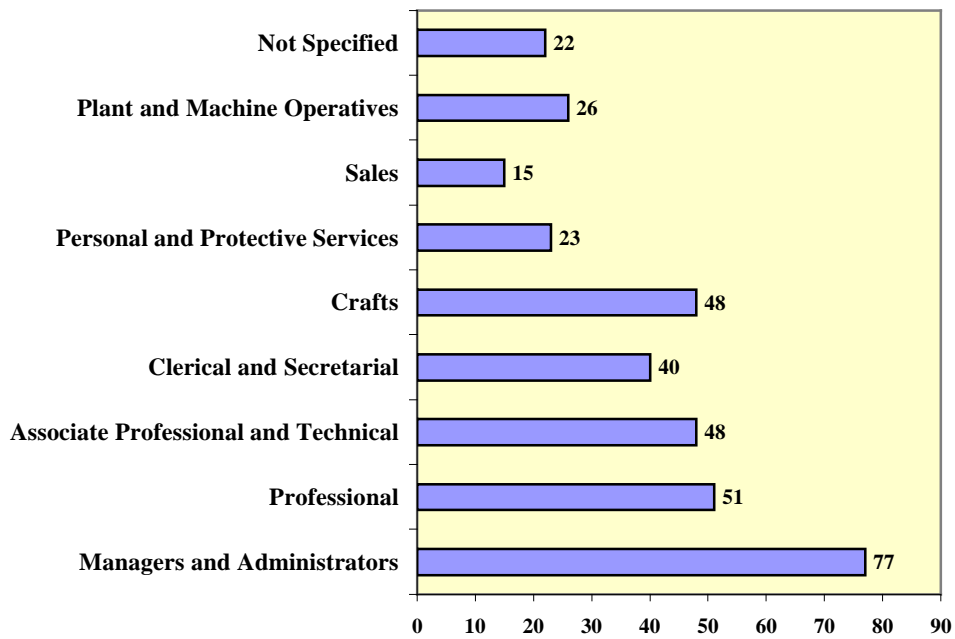


**Figure 14: Economic status of men aged 16 to 74 years old**



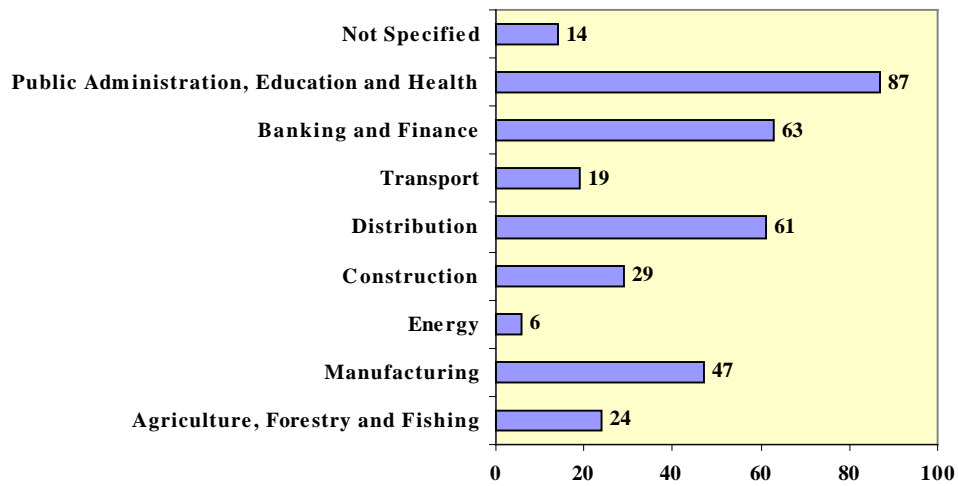
**Figure 15: Economic status of women aged 16 to 74 years old**

The breakdown of those individuals working by occupation is illustrated in Figure 16.



**Figure 16: Breakdown of those working by occupation**

The breakdown of those individuals working by industry is illustrated in Figure 17.



**Figure 17: Breakdown of those working by industry**

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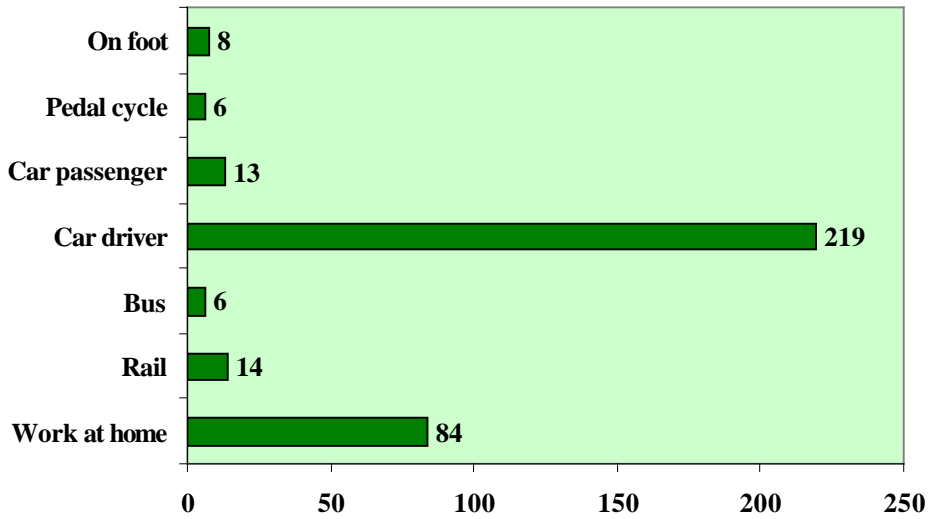
The majority of the population are 'professionals' working in the service industries. In 2001, unemployment was less than 1% of those eligible to work – not an issue.

Employment opportunities within Christian Malford are extremely limited.

Connect with health: there are 12 individuals of working age who are permanently sick or disabled.

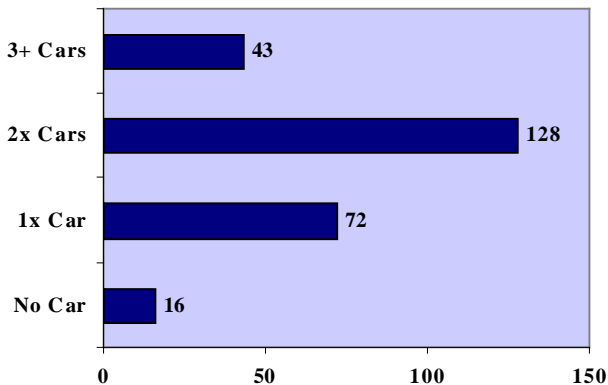
**TRANSPORT**

The method of travelling to work is illustrated in Figure 18



**Figure 18: Method of travelling to work**

There are 480 cars in Christian Malford. The car availability per household is illustrated at Figure 19.



**Figure 19: Cars per household**

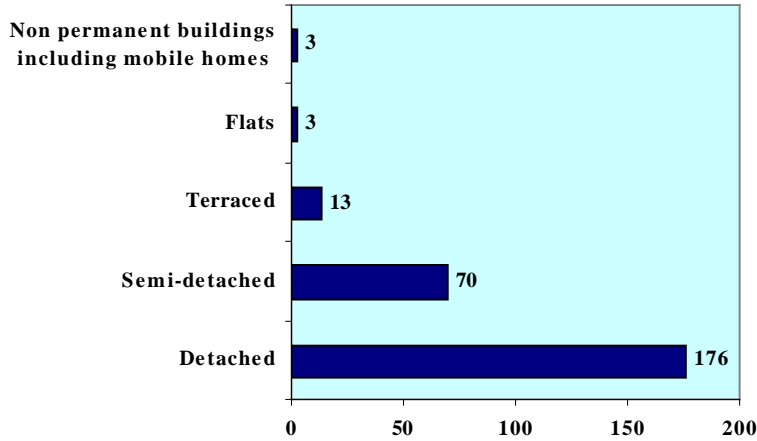
**Comment:**

1. 16 households have no car. 72 only have one car; this isolates the family if the car is the method of transport to work.
2. 70% of workers rely on the car to get to work. Only 13 individuals are passengers – this figure is low. Is a car-sharing scheme an option? Believe that this was tried in Sutton Benger and folded – why?
3. Only 5% used public transport to get to work. Presumably, the 14 who use the train have to drive the 8 miles to Chippenham Station first.
4. The lack of use of public transport indicates that it is failing to meet the needs of the community.

**HOUSING**

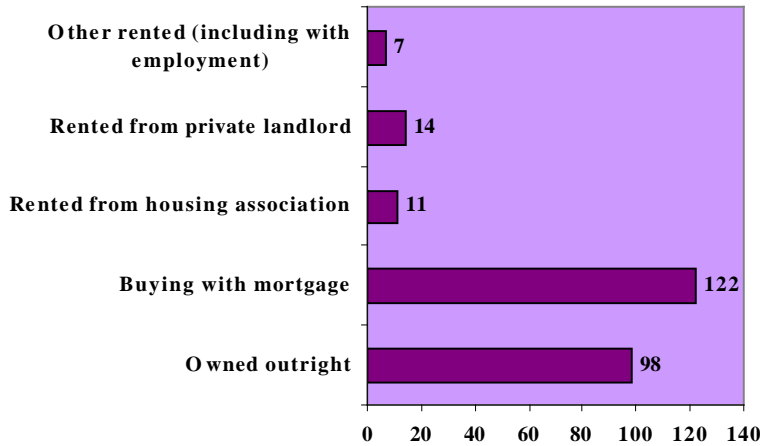
In 2001 there were 269 household spaces in Christian Malford; of these 259 were occupied. The village did not contain any holiday or second homes.

The breakdown of housing types, which are predominantly ‘detached’ is shown in Figure 20:



**Figure 20: Housing types**

Household tenure is illustrated in Figure 21



**Figure 21: Household tenure**

There are a number of miscellaneous facts about household and family types within Christian Malford; there are:

- 22 households with one pensioner living alone.
- 27 other pensioner-only households.
- 18 other one-person households.
- 73 households with married couples with no children.
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- 67 households with married couples with dependent children.
- 3 households with co-habiting couples with dependent child(ren).
- 5 households with lone females with dependent child(ren).
- 3 female lone parents working full time.
- 81 households with dependent children.
- 33 households with dependent child(ren) aged 0 to 4.
- 3 households with dependent child(ren) and no-one working.
- 69 households with at least one person with a limiting long term illness.

**Comment:**

1. 85% of houses in Christian Malford are detached. 83% are either owned outright or are being bought with a mortgage.
2. Only 12% of houses are rented; 4% are rented from the Housing Association.
3. There is a requirement for affordable housing in Christian Malford – the demographic trough of those in their 20s and early 30s is a possible direct result of a lack of affordable or rentable housing.
4. Access to the variety of services to support the disabled and elderly along with their housing requirements are likely to be problematic. Equally, there is a lack of low cost housing for those carers and those providing vital support.