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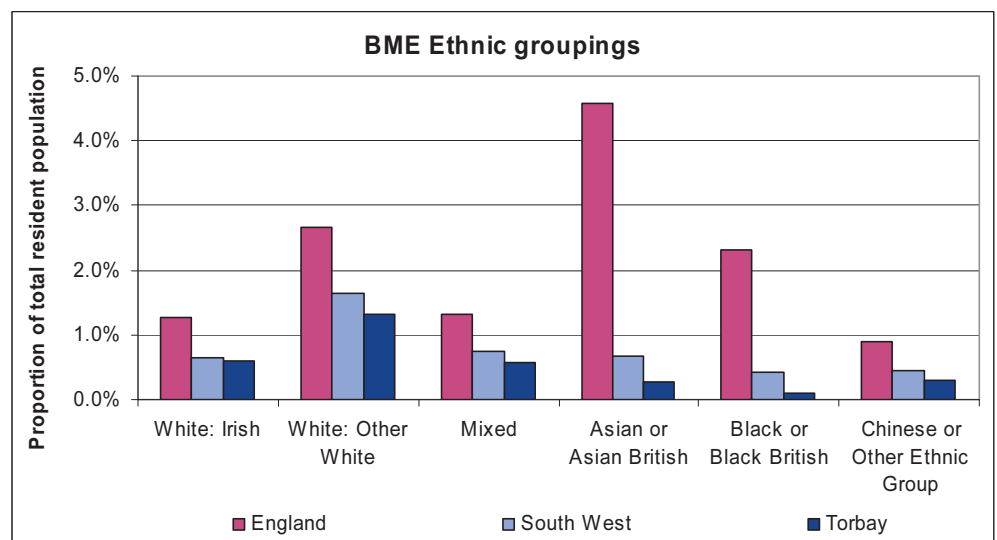


RACE EQUALITY INFORMATION SHEET

On April 29th 2001 Torbay's total resident population was 129,706, and of that 96.84% were of British white origin, leaving a remaining 3.16% of Black and Minorities Ethnic (BME). The following table shows how Torbay's BME population compares to both the regional and national proportions:

| Ethnic Group (UV09) | England | South West | Torbay |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|---------|
| All People | 49,138,831 | 4,928,434 | 129,706 |
| White: British | 86.99% | 95.40% | 96.84% |
| White: Irish | 1.27% | 0.66% | 0.60% |
| White: Other White | 2.66% | 1.65% | 1.33% |
| Mixed | 1.31% | 0.76% | 0.57% |
| Asian or Asian British | 4.58% | 0.67% | 0.27% |
| Black or Black British | 2.30% | 0.42% | 0.11% |
| Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | 0.89% | 0.45% | 0.29% |

The graph on the right illustrates the ethnicity groupings for BME from the 2001 census, and shows how the proportion of BME in Torbay compares to the regional and national proportions.



Since the 2001 census, Torbay's population has increased and it is felt that the proportion of BME has also increased. This is confirmed with national ethnicity estimates published by the Office for National Statistics following the publication of the 2003 Mid Year Estimates.

Estimated resident population by ethnic group and sex, mid-2003, (experimental statistics)

| | England | South West | Torbay |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|---------|
| All People | 49,855,700 | 4,999,300 | 131,300 |
| White: British | 85.8% | 94.2% | 95.7% |
| White: Irish | 1.2% | 0.7% | 0.7% |
| White: Other | 2.9% | 1.9% | 1.4% |
| Mixed | 1.5% | 0.9% | 0.7% |
| Asian or Asian British | 4.9% | 1.0% | 0.8% |
| Black or Black British | 2.6% | 0.6% | 0.3% |
| Chinese or Other Ethnic Group | 1.1% | 0.6% | 0.4% |

- Figures show the BME population in Torbay has increased from 3.16% in 2001 to 4.3% in 2003.