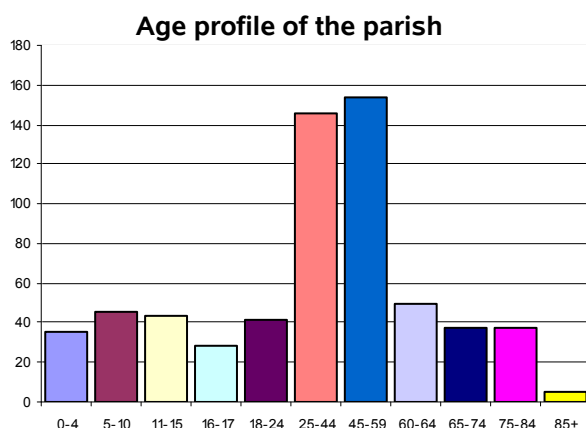


# Household Data

## Population Profile

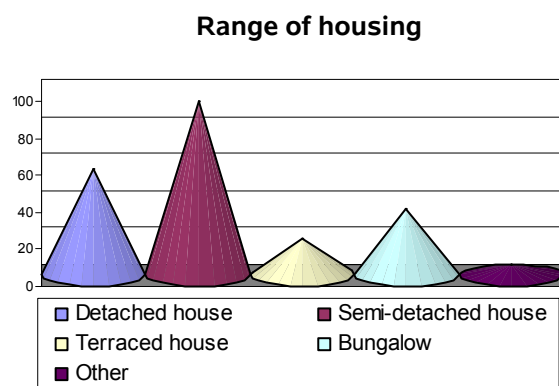
There were 622 people including children living in the 214 households who returned completed questionnaires, out of a total population of around 1000. The population is split fairly evenly between the sexes – 49.5% male and 50.5% female. The population has a younger rather than an older age profile with 21% of the population over 60 while 24% are aged up to 18 with 55% aged between 25 and 59.



When looking at the length of time families have lived in the village it is clear that nearly a fifth have lived here over 25 years whilst 54% have lived in the village between 6 and 24 years, indicating a stable though not static population.

There is a wide range of housing available in the village. 6% is rented, 92% owner occupied (an unusually high proportion) and some properties provided as part of employment.

44% of those are semi-detached while 27% are detached and 17% are bungalows. The remaining 12% are terraced, flats/maisonettes one of which is a specially adapted house.



## Current Housing

Most of the housing is post 1960 with nearly 70% being on the Northfield Estate and small pockets of infilling. There are 9 houses at the Hamlet most of which were barn conversions in the late 1980s. The remaining property consists of mostly detached dwellings and a block of 41 flats in Stow Lodge, a converted 19<sup>th</sup> century workhouse then a hospital.

## Education

When looking at the types of education establishments that 132 children up to the age of 16 attended, 16 (12%) attended playgroup, 10% attended nursery school, 52% attended primary/middle school whilst 18% were high school pupils. The remaining 11 (8%) attended other types of educational establishment.

Apart from a playgroup there is no further educational establishment in the village and most of the children travel to Stowmarket or the neighbouring village of Gt. Finborough (primary) to attend school. The children are evenly split between pre-school (25%), primary school (27%) with a similar percentage attending middle school.

## What You Like About Onehouse

When asked what was most important about Onehouse there were many and varied answers but those standing out were:

*"The peaceful rural setting and the friendliness of the local people"*

*"Enjoy living in the countryside with easy access to main routes"*

*"Peace and quiet. No street lights"*

*"Rural setting but not too far from facilities in Stowmarket"*

*"Great place to bring up a family, friendly safe environment"*